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Around Town

By Ernestine D. Woods

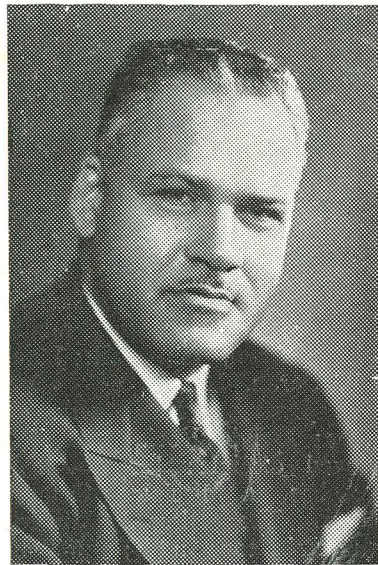
Rabbi Lloyd Tennenbaum of the Agudath Sholom Temple delivered the Loyalty Day message on Sunday, March 11 at 4:00 p.m. at the Sixth Annual Loyalty Day at the Eighth Street Baptist Church. Mrs. H. T. Braswell introduced him. Words of welcome were delivered by Mrs. Lavette Smith and Miss Barbara Reynolds. The church choir rendered the music.

At the Diamond Hill Baptist Church on March 30, the Priscillas and Acquillas presented a short Easter pageant.

At 8:00 p.m. on April 1, the Junior and Senior choirs of the Fifth Street Baptist Church presented a Cantata.

Woman's Day was observed at the Court Street Baptist Church on Sunday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The theme of the observance was "Implementing the Church's Program Through Women's Activities." At the morning worship Mrs. Irma B. Thompson of Newport News, Virginia, president of the Virginia Teachers Association, was guest speaker.

Fathers' Night was observed at the R. S. Payne Elementary School P.T.A. and the Dunbar High School P.T.A. on Thursday, March 8, and Monday,



Dr. F. D. Patterson

Dr. F. D. Patterson To Speak At Commencement

Dr. F. D. Patterson, director of the Phelps-Stokes Foundation, will be the principal speaker at the 75th Commencement Exercise on June 12, in E. C. Glass High School Auditorium.

Dr. Patterson, who was formerly president of Tuskegee Institute, has been associated with the foundation, a philanthropic institution, since 1953.

A graduate of Iowa State Col-

75th Anniversary Reception Planned

By Rosetta Brown

Plans are being made for an elaborate reception and exhibit in observance of the 75th Anniversary of Secondary Education in Lynchburg on June 9.

The reception, which will be held in Amelia Pride Cottage, will be attended by school officials, local ministers, retired teachers, P.T.A. representatives, and a representative from each of the seventy-five classes that have graduated, since secondary education for Negroes began in Lynchburg.

Persons who have made outstanding contributions to secondary education in Lynchburg have also been invited to attend.

A number of eminent personalities from Lynchburg and other communities are expected to attend.

An exhibition of material connected with secondary education for the past 75 years will be displayed. Included will be the various types of diplomas and report cards used, commencement programs, class rings, and similar

Students Hear Outstanding Educators

Dr. T. H. Henderson Addresses Student Council At Installation Services

By Margaret Douglas

Dr. T. H. Henderson, Dean of Virginia Union University was the principal speaker at the Installation Services for members of the Student Council on May 4.

Devotions for the program were led by Doretha Arter.

Vivian Pinn, an honorary Council member gave the annual report after which Alpha Coles, retiring Council president, conducted the installation ceremonies.

Principal C. W. Seay then introduced Dean Henderson.

Music was furnished by Dunbar chorus.

Members installed were as follows: Delores Higginbotham, Rose Jenerson, Constance Johnson, Linda Banks, Patricia Cox, Melvin York, Alberta Camm, Carolyn King, Hunter Kidd, and Alfred Cunningham.

Also, Rosa Shepherd, La Verne Miles, Evelyn Hancock, Alma Langhorne, Betty Chapelle, Ruby Cunningham, Lucille Withers, Frankie Jackson

Dr. Helen Edmonds National Honor Society Speaker



Dr. Edmonds

By Margaret Douglas

High School P.T.A. on Thursday, March 8, and Monday, March 26, respectively, at 8:00 p.m.

At the Payne School P.T.A. on April 12, the parents presented a talent show.

Mrs. R. R. Banner who formerly taught at the John M. Langston High School, Danville, Virginia attended a Recognition Service for teachers who have been in the teaching field for 25 years or more. The Service was held at the John M. Langston High School.

The Hill City Melodaires, under the direction of Mr. L. W. Spencer, presented a concert on Sunday, March 25 in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, South Lynchburg.

Dr. Bina Nelson, a native of India now teaching at Hampton Institute, was the guest speaker at a program sponsored by the Hampton Club on April 15 at the Jackson Street Methodist Church. In her speech Dr. Nelson gave information on political, social and economic aspects of India.

The second annual dance recital sponsored by Mr. Henry Clay, was held Monday evening, April 16 at R. S. Payne School.

The new Hunter Branch Y.M.C.A. had its formal opening Sunday, April 22 from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m. The new building is located on the corner of Twelfth and Taylor Streets.

Math Club Sponsors Fair And Exhibit

By Marjorie Tapley

The Dunbar High School Math Club has proclaimed May 7th as "Mathematics Day." The Science Laboratory in the South Building will be converted into a Math Laboratory and students from study hall classes will be

institution, since 1953.

A graduate of Iowa State College, Dr. Patterson holds the Master of Science degree from this college.

He received the degree of Doctor of Law from Virginia State College; Doctor of Humanities from Wilberforce University; Doctor of Science from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania; and Doctor of Philosophy from Cornell University.

In 1935, Dr. Patterson became president of Tuskegee Institute, where he served for 18 years and became outstanding as one of the nation's greatest educators and a specialist in the field of race relations.

Roberta Basnet Sings For Students

By Gwendolyn Green

The Lynchburg Chapter of Links presented Roberta Basnet, soprano, of Columbus, Ohio, in a recital for students recently.

The program included superb renditions of "Were You There?", "None But the Lonely Heart," "Habanera" from Carmen, "Indian Love Call," "The Lilac Tree" and "When I Have Sung My Song."

During intermission, Miss Basnet was presented flowers, a token of appreciation from the chorus, by Evelyn Freeman.

Miss Basnet was accompanied by Joyce Haskins.

Miss S. E. Fain, librarian, is president of Lynchburg Chapter of Links.

allowed to visit the exhibits on that day. Other subject matter clubs will furnish exhibits also. Alice Franklin is president of the Math Club.

port cards used, commencement programs, class rings, and similar materials which are being collected by a special committee.

Senior Day Observed

By Rosetta Brown

The seniors held a mock reunion in the Dunbar auditorium on May 3 as a "kickoff" for their Senior Day activities.

This reunion not only marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of their graduation from Dunbar, but also marked the one-hundredth anniversary of Secondary Education for Negroes in Lynchburg.

Present to observe the celebration were many distinguished personalities from the graduating class of 1956. Some of those distinguished citizens including professors, teachers, ministers, musicians, attorneys, doctors, morticians, and fashion designers agreed to co-operate in presenting a program for that memorable occasion.

Some of the celebrities did not actually participate in the program but were present as platform guests.

The members of the class who had been members of the school chorus consented to render two selections under the leadership of Professor Reginald Nash.

The inspirational message was given by Rev. Harmon Glover, Pastor of Riverside Baptist Church in New York City.

Television Program Presented

By Mildred Green

"The Seventy-Fifth Candle," one in a series of observances of The Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of Secondary Education for Negroes in Lynchburg, was pre-

By Margaret Douglas

Dr. Helen G. Edmonds will be the guest speaker at the induction services of the National Honor Society, on Thursday afternoon, May 10, in the school auditorium. Dr. Edmonds is at present a graduate professor of history at North Carolina College in Durham, North Carolina.

A native of Lawrenceville, Virginia, Dr. Edmonds holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree, a Master of Arts Degree, and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree. In our city she has served as Dean of Women, and teacher of Greek and Latin at Virginia Theological Seminary and College. During the academic year, September 1954-September 1955, Dr. Edmonds pursued historical research at the University of Heidelberg, Germany, and subsequently served as lecturer and consultant in the Cultural Program of the United States Department of State through the Branch of the United States Information Agency in West Germany.



Gwendolyn Green

sented over WLVA-TV on the Sunday afternoon of April 29 by the school.

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Gwendolyn Green Places Second In Essay Contest

Each year the Lynchburg Advertising and Sales Club sponsors an essay contest for high school students in Lynchburg and the surrounding areas. For her essay entitled "An America Without Advertising" Gwendolyn Green, a 4A student who lives at 911 Virginia Street and who is the granddaughter of Mrs. Lottie Smith, won second place. Gwendolyn received a cash prize of fifteen dollars and a certificate. Her essay will be sent to Washington, D. C. for final judging.

The first place winner from Madison Heights received twenty-five dollars.

Miss Elizabeth Jordan, Chairman of the English Department, was Gwendolyn's adviser.

Gwendolyn says that she was inspired to enter the essay contest because as a news reporter for the "Chronicle" she felt that she could improve her writing. She says that her winning second place came as a surprise, but as a pleasant surprise.

STUDENT COUNCIL ATTENDS MEET

By Laverne Miles

Some of the members of the Student Council will attend the state meeting of the Student Participation Association which will be held at Phenix High School in Hampton, on Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5.

They are: Alpha Coles, Evelyn Freeman, Brenda Thomas, Paul Robinson, and Melvin York.

Evelyn Freeman will lead one of the discussion groups at the conference, and Brenda Thomas will serve as her recorder.



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Our Hats Are Off To These

Ever so often we are delighted with the opportunity to express our appreciation to the members of our family who excel in some activities. Such is the occasion at present, for many Dunbarians have been turning out outstanding performances in varied areas recently.

Gwendolyn Green who won second place in the Advertising essay contest. (Only one other essay in this area excelled hers!)

Alfred Cunningham who was elected State president of the F. B. L. A.

Raymond Holmes and **Theresa Mosby** who won scholarships at the recent Science-Mathematics Conference.

Godfrey Harris, Frank Royal, Wanda Jones and **Vivian Pinn** who won recognition at the Science-Mathematics Conference.

To the Track Team and Coach Waters who brought the first, first-place award from the Penn Relays.

To these and other Dunbarians whose daily activities and achievements are a credit to the school, we say a hearty, "Well Done!"

Eighth Graders Study Curricula

By Rose Jenerson

On Thursday, April 26, at nine o'clock, eighth grade pupils met in the auditorium to obtain aid in making the best selections of courses to pursue during their high school career which begins in September. In order for them to have the needed information, Miss Elaine Chafin spoke on the Business Course, Mr. J. P. Davies on the Auto Shop, Mr. N. O. White on Wood Shop, Mrs. B. Edley on Commercial Clothing, Miss D. Lomax on the Academic course, and Miss Holmes on Homemaking.

As a continuation of the activity each pupil was given an opportunity to seek private counseling on the course of his choice from Miss Holmes, and Mrs. Cardwell on Homemaking, Mr. White on Woodshop, Mr. Davies on Auto Shop, Miss Chafin on Business, Mrs. Edley on Commercial Clothing, and Miss Lomax on the Academic Course.

P.T.A. HEARS REPORT ON STEELE CONCERT

By Mildred Penn

A highlight of the April P.T.A. meeting was the presentation of the final report on proceeds from the Edward Steele Concert by Principal C. W. Seay.

A short program preceded the report and featured Mrs. Elizabeth Brantley in an excellent portrayal of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's "In the Morning" and a superb vocal rendition of "My Rosary" by Miss Edna Holmes.

Mrs. E. G. Webster and Mr. J. L. Mitchell were sponsors of the evening's activities.

The Dunbar Theatre Guild Presents An Easter Drama

By Arneatha Chambers

"Is It I, Lord?" was the title of this year's Easter drama presented for students and patrons by the Dunbar Theater Guild.

Scene I took place in the home of Mary, Maundy Thursday evening. Scene II and III had the same scenery but took place on Good Friday morning and Easter at daybreak, respectively.

The cast of characters were Madlyn White who was Mary, mother of John Mark; Vivian Pinn, Mary Magdalene; Katie Petticrew, Martha; Elizabeth Hale, Rhoda, a serving maid; Junius Brown, John Mark; Janet Hill, Sarah, Mother of Judas; Rose Jenerson, Leah, wife of Judas; Melvin York, John, the beloved disciple; James Allen, Cleophas, a disciple; Octavia Payne, The Blessed Virgin; Paul Robinson, Judas; and Benjamin Carter as The Voice of Christ.

The meditation leader was Barbara Carter. During the program Donald Johnson sang "The Palms" by Faure, and the school's chorus sang "In The Hour of Trial" by Lane and "Let All the Nations Praise the Lord" by Leising.

Students Enjoy Bunnyland

By Margaret Douglas

Lessons were over; school was out. It was March 28, but good times were not over because "Bunnyland" was open 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. during the evening.

Annual Report Of Student Council

1. Educational and citizenship contributions to the school:
a. Sponsored Leadership Workshop.

1. Trained officers of all school organizations in democratic methods, group procedure and parliamentary law.

2. Cost—\$109.08.

b. Made an organized attempt to make our students conscious of the importance of the vote.

1. Asked all English and social science teachers to teach a lesson on the ballot and premises of democracy.

2. Asked homeroom teachers to have discussions "Selecting Good Representatives."

3. Published an article in the CHRONICLE on voting.

2. Services rendered to the school:

a. Gave a \$5.00 award to a deserving senior during commencement activities. (An annual project).

b. Attempted to encourage better behavior of students at games.

c. Attempted to encourage better cafeteria decorum.

1. Council members served as monitors to encourage compliance with rules.

2. Started the practice of singing the grace.

d. Served as "Inspection Committee" during

Your Mother

Ever since May 10, 1913, we have been observing Mother's Day, a day set aside by Congress as a public holiday in honor of mothers. Perhaps you have often wondered as I have just how this "special" day originated. Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia was the originator of the idea which occurred to her in remembering her own mother's death. Thinking that a day dedicated to all mothers would be a beautiful gesture, she became the missionary of the idea and the author of the phrase, "In honor of the best mother that ever lived—your mother."

I feel about Mother's Day as I do about the rest of the holidays, that although it is just one day set aside on our calendars, it should be a carry-over to every day of the year. Somehow I am imposed to feel that Miss Jarvis understood how "Mother" is taken for granted, how she works her heart out day in and day out, and yet receives only half the amount of consideration she deserves. Because of this I believe that one "special" day should be set aside for Mothers, so that we can all pause and think about the wonderful things that our mothers do for us. On this day, not only do we think of these things, but we also pay tribute to them in some way. If medals were awarded daily for unselfishness, kindness, love, labor, and the many other traits she has, she would have one for every day in the year.

In reading about an ideal person, have you ever placed your mother in each character's place? Do so sometimes and you will be amazed at the results. Have you ever compared your mother with some famous person such as Einstein? Perhaps this seems like a strange comparison. However, sometimes Einstein has difficult problems to solve, but "mother" has problems to solve every day, hour, and minute. Her problems have become burdens: your protection, welfare, future, bills, work, and hundreds of other things which arise every day of the year.

In observing Mother's Day think of all the people you admire, the famous people of the world, compile their character traits and the result is "your own mother."

Clean-Up Day A Success!

Congratulations to all of the students who did such a good job on "Clean-Up Day." Everyone was very co-operative and together Dunbar became a bright and shining place. Congratulations should also go to Mrs. Womack and Mrs. Edley for doing such a wonderful job serving as General Chairmen for the two buildings. This project indeed showed the closeness between the members of the Dunbar family. I know the work was not all easy but I am sure we all enjoyed cleaning our school for the Spring.

J. L. Mitchell were sponsors of the evening's activities.

Student Of The Month

By Madlyn White

This month we are honoring a well known student of the Dunbar family. She is a member of the Senior class and is a versatile student. She is Miss Jean Miller who was recently the winner of The Betty Crocker Homemaker award, a lovely medal. Miss Miller is a participant in the following organizations:

- ★ Le Cercle Francais
- ★ The Theater Guild
- ★ The Annual Staff
- ★ Chorus
- ★ The CHRONICLE Staff
- ★ National Honor Society

Did You Know?

Submitted by
Margueritta Tucker

The Italian fruit vender was being examined for his citizenship papers. He was getting along fine until the examiner asked: "How many states are there in the United States?" "Look-a Mister," was the reply. "You know your biz; I know mine. I ask-a you right back—How many bananas in a bunch?"

Students See Temperance Film

By Frank Royal

On Wednesday, May 2, during Activity Period, the students viewed a most inspiring film in the school auditorium.

This film entitled "Far From Alone" illustrated beautifully how a star football player was willing to give up his position on his college team and to a cer-

tain extent lose the friendship of his close friends that he might uphold his belief that alcoholic beverages are completely objectionable in any form.

In the end this football player regained the respect and friendship of his friends and those persons who were too weak to stand alone for what they believed. The after affects of the students displayed their appreciation for this type of film.

Bunnies, eggs, and spring colors blended in under and overhead decorations of midnight blue.

At intermission persons elected from different classes participated in a line of march. They were Richard Hicks and Betty Davis, Alfred Cunningham and Margaret Douglas substituting for Vivian Pinn, Leslie Camn and Evelyn Chambers, Hayes Banks and Evelyn Freeman, Glen Culpepper and Jean Miller, Ernest Dean and Arneatha Chambers, Ernest Mosby and Raye Wills, Morris O'Kelly and Evelyn Hancock, Frank Royal and Madlyn White, Melvin York and Carolyn King, and James Allen and Alpha Coles were crowned King and Queen of Bunnyland.

The leap year dances, when the girls invited the boys to dance, provided added fun.

Again the Chronicle thanks all of the teachers and students for their continued support of the paper.

- d. Served as "Inspection Committee" during "Clean-Up Day."
- e. A committee is now making specific plans for next year on "how we can raise the general conduct and morale of our student body."
3. Community Contributions:
- a. Assisted Student Patrol in getting and distributing 32 Thanksgiving baskets.
 - b. Sponsored a matinee dance for the "March of Dimes" campaign raising \$37.41.
 - c. Worshipped together at a church in the community. (An annual project).
4. Demerit system: (When a member—honorary or elected)—gets 5 demerits, he must withdraw from the council. This year we lost 9 honorary members and 2 elected members.
5. Entertainment for students:
- a. Sponsored a Christmas dance. Gave students candy canes.
 - b. Sponsored the annual Spring Dance.
6. New Features:
- a. This was our first year to have honorary council members. There were 76 and they made an overwhelming contribution to the council program.
 - b. This year we had, again, booths for voting; thus, permitting students to vote only if they wished or realized the privilege.
 - c. Sponsored the drink concession at the Armory during basketball season.
7. Affiliations:
- a. We are members of the national and state organizations of Student Councils.

I HEARD . . .

There's a very harmonious trio here at Dunbar. Try and guess who we mean. Hint: One's a Senior, one's a Junior, and the other is a Sophomore.

You'll find in Homeroom 306 two girls who share mutual interests in a certain handsome boy in homeroom 302.

Could it be that the assistant director of the band is interested in one of the band's top trumpet players and member of a jazz band?

Certain Dunbar Chorus members (female) are strengthening relationships between Dunbar and Addison in the many recent visits of some of their male Chorus members to Lynchburg.

We were all surprised upon hearing who received the letter of one of the new co-captains of the football team. A hint: She's president of the Math Club.

Congratulations to the Debs of 1956.

A certain attractive and very well-dressed Junior is not on speaking terms with one of her classmates. Incidentally he's a handsome 306 boy.

We wonder if the co-captain of the track team and former state president of the F.B.L.A. and his used-to-be girl friend, president of the Theater Guild and Student Council are going together again.

You'll never find a certain athletic Senior who is president of his class lacking for companions.

Please tell us who the young man is who visits the girl who sells milk in the cafeteria every day at 4I recess.

If you visit the Southside office at 5th period you'll find

May Birthdays

Happy are the days of May, when then you find your birthday.

James Allen
Constance Anderson
Gwendolyn Anderson
Doreatha Arter
Hayes Banks
Juanita Britain
Carolyn Brown
Delores Brown
Junius Brown
Leon Brown
Delma Burford
Mattie Burley
Lillie Callands
Barbara Calloway
Earl Cardwell
Leeressa Cary
Alice Colmore
Dorothy Davis
James Davis
Phyllis Davis
Marion Douglas
Bertinus Fleshman
Douglas Fowler
Adolphus Giles
Harmon Glover
Edwina Gordon
Patsy Gray
Gwendolyn Green
Milton Green
Harold Harris
Joyce Haskins
Mary Hatwood
Ernest Hawkins
David Haythe
Delores Hunter
Norvelle Jackson
Langhorne Jefferson
Constance Johnson
Delores Johnson
Adolphus Jones
Avis Jones
Lucy Langhorne
Jessie Miles
Geraldine Mosley
Roger Nowlin
Mary Oglesby
David Pannel
James Payne

United Negro College Fund Drive Launched



Dr. S. D. Proctor

Dr. S. Dewitt Proctor, president of Virginia Union University, was principal speaker at a banquet launching the United Negro College Fund Drive held in Amelia Pride Cottage recently.

Dr. Proctor urged the group, which consisted of volunteer workers for the drive and special guests, to emphasize the support of schools which are benefitted by the fund.

Some of the schools which receive aid from the fund are Virginia Union University, Hampton Institute and Fisk University.

Jeanne Powell
Robert Reaves
Robert Reid
John Richardson
Frederick Scott
Ralph Smith
Marion Smithson
Maxine Smithson
Clifton Turner
Harold Whitted
Eunice Williams
Robert Withers
Elsie Wright
Melvin York

Starling Merritt's Notes

By Starling A. Merritt
Note 1. Odds and Ends.

Clyde ("Seven Days") McPhatter has been discharged from the Army . . . The Teen-Agers of "Why Do Fools Fall In Love" fame have a sure hit in their latest recording of "I Want You To Be My Girl" . . . Carl Perkins' recording of "Blue Suede Shoes" is the first Hillbilly record to be a top seller in the R & B field since the two fields of music came into existence; the second is Elvis Prestly's recording of "Heartbreak Hotel" . . . Stan Kentor has gone to England with his orchestra and Ted Heath has come to the U. S. in a dance band exchange deal . . . Sammy Davis, Jr. is nothing short of sensational in "Mr. Wonderful" say the critics.

Note 2. Top Five.

Here are the five top rhythm and blues records during the past month.

1. "Why Do Fools Fall In Love"—The Teen-Agers.
2. "Drown In My Own Tears"—Ray Charles.
3. "Blue Suede Shoes"—Carl Perkins.
4. "Eddie My Love"—The Teen Queens.
5. "Bo Weevils"—Fats Domino.

Note 3. What's New?

1. "We Go Together"—Moonglows.
2. "My Blue Heaven"—Fats Domino.
3. "I Want You To Be My Girl"—The Teen-Agers.
4. "Corine Corina"—Joe Turner.
5. "I'm Getting Right"—

The Poets Speak

A SONNET OF SPRING

By Morris O'Kelly

*When I behold the robin perched above
My window sill or hear him sing his song,
When all my fancies turn to thoughts of love,
I know the spring is here—the winter's been too long.*

*I know that spring is come—although some snow
Still hides itself completely from the sun,
But hides itself or not—who cares? I know
That Spring again has won!*

*When winter's twilight warms the chilling winds,
And Mother Nature's magic web she spins
With flowers. Rainbow colors she does give,
And beckons to the grass, "Come out, and live."*

*I see the flowers grow—I hear the robin sing,
I whisper half aloud, "My love, 'tis Spring!"*

SPRING

By Audrey Scruggs

*I love to smell sweet blossoms in the spring,
As fragrant flowers all begin to grow,
To see butterflies flying to and fro,
To watch a gay, happy child in her swing,
And hear the birds as they begin*

office at 5th period you'll find a certain young lady in very gay spirits. We wonder who is responsible for her recent happiness.

One attractive and quiet Senior is seemingly going steady with one of her classmates.

Dunbar's "Junior" Casarova's latest conquest is an attractive Sub-Freshman.

D. T. G. Members Dramatize Events

By E. Slade Freeman

Members of the Dunbar Theater Guild immensely enjoyed dramatizations of varied every day events in their meeting of April 17, 1956. The program was designed to show that everyone can act without a script and be quite entertaining. Some of the amusing situations were as follows:

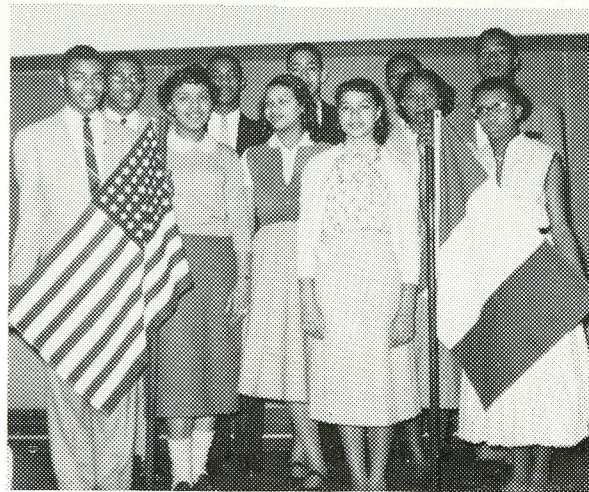
1. You are a wife and you want to tell your husband that your mother, whom he does not like, is coming to visit for a month. How do you approach the situation?

2. You, a girl, have made two dates for the movies tonight. The fellows arrive within five minutes of each other. How do you explain the situation and what do you do?

3. Mrs. Jones telephones Mrs. Smith to give her a choice bit of gossip about Mrs. Brown, not knowing that she is visiting Mrs. Smith at this moment and can hear the conversation. How does Mrs. Smith explain the situation to Mrs. Brown and what might be her reactions?

The members who participated were John Hughes, Raye Wills, Cora Organ, Paul Robinson, Jimmie Turner, Joan Wilson, Joyce Price, Evelyn Hancock, Hayes Banks, and Melvin York.

Some New French Club Members



Left to right: Frank Royal, Harry Royal, Jimmie Turner, Melvin York, Janet Hill, Roger Reid, Alpha Coles, Lloyd Lee, Alice Franklin, Rufus Brown and Joyce Elliott.

French Club Inducts Forty-Two

By Marie Shelton

Forty-two students became members of "LE CERCLE FRANCAIS" in a formal induction ceremony recently.

Roger Reid, the club president, installed the new members assisted by Hilda Lee and Marion Douglas.

After the formal ceremony, a scene in "LE CAFE BLEU" was presented with Ernestine Woods as narrator.

Persons participating in the program were Madlyn White, Jean Miller, Roger Reid, Leon Braswell, Joan Spencer, Benjamin Carter, Hayes Banks, Theressa Mosby, Evelyn Chambers, James Allen, Barbara Thomas, Rosetta Brown, Stuart Moore, Harmon Glover and Henry Hubbard.

Also Evelyn Freeman, Cora Organ, Dorothy Ward, Joyce Price, Jimmie Turner, Alpha Coles, Clifton Turner, Bertha Payne, William Spencer, James Williams, Geraldine Saunders, Ida Johnson and Joyce Haskins.

Those inducted were Carlton Ferguson, Gwendolyn Green, Maxine Reynolds, Joyce Price, Rose Jenerson, Alpha Coles, Shirley Turner, Evelyn Freeman, Margaret Douglas, Cora Organ, Claudette Blair, Janet Hill, Linda Banks, Harold Graves, Raymond Manns, Clifton Turner and Melvin York.

Also inducted were Elizabeth Hale, Frank Royal, Paul Robinson, Harry Royal, William Spencer, Rufus Brown, Lloyd Lee, Thomas Hudson, Joyce Elliott, Annie Anderson, Wanda Jones, Carolyn King, Alice Franklin, Shirley Tolliver, Gladys Brew, James Williams, Lorenzo Parks, Thomas Langhorne, Henry Carey, Grace Kinney, Marie Shelton and Jimmie Turner.

The excellent mistress of ceremony was Mary Oglesby.

5. "I'm Getting Right"—
Ruth Brown

Fashion Flashes

By Jimmie Jewel Turner

"All that glitters is not gold," eh? Practically everything we wear seems to have that "Midas" effect these days. Gilded sari dresses and border line prints are far ahead of the other styles.

Jacket-wise the brief back-buttoned style is the latest thing. It gives that covered up look to your dresses.

The styles of the Far East are extremely popular in America. The Oriental sheath and dress ensembles have seemingly caught everybody's eye including the males'.

The classic separates are, as usual, popular and attractive this year. They are manufactured to blend and make very attractive outfits. The sweater dresses, with the sweater lined with the dress fabrics, are ever so "cool."

Sportswear seems to play an important part in the daily routine of a teen-ager and keeping in step is the fabulous new "car coat." It is made of Dan River's combed "Sky Top" poplin with "chromspun" taffeta lining: wooden toggles (buttons) in double-breasted formation and toggle trimmed tab treatment in the back.

Sleek-lined slacks in gabardine, corduroy, cotton, or khaki are suited for most sports occasions. Khaki skirts and blouses are suited for such occasions also.

Jewelry-wise, poppit-pearls are all the news these days. Each bead can be separated, thus making the strand unbreakable. Cuff bracelets are popular also, in gold or silver. The large button earrings really do set off a short hair style.

Girls, use your imagination and keep these hints in mind and look "real fab."

her swing,
And hear the birds as they begin
to sing,
And catch fish in a brook that
once was snow,
Or view a farmer's plowing row
by row,
What a lovely feeling this always
brings.

I love the spring, it reminds me
of you,
As its beautiful fragrance fills the
air.
The freshly tilted earth I love to
smell,
Or see the sunlight glisten on the
dew,
And see the lovers stroll the
park in a pair.
All of this I love, it makes me
feel swell.

SPRING

By Claudette Banks

Spring is a beautiful time of the
year;
Coming between intolerable heat
and cold.
Even the little buds and bees
come out to cheer,
And praise this time called
Spring we're told.
The bare trees and flowers their
buds unfold.
Its soft, warm nights with clear
skies are not to fear.
The feeling of Spring can be felt
in every soul—
All the creatures seem to know
that Spring is here!

So, as here I walk in the woods
today,
I can clearly see why Spring is so
dear to me.
I see the grass that was killed by
the winter's clay.
Is not spring a real picture of life
to thee?
And so my dear, when you re-
turn once more
I'll welcome you like Spring to
my door.

Athletics Awards Day Held

ROBERT McCORY COPS BOTH SPECIAL AWARDS

By Marie Shelton

Robert "Boll Weevil" McCory received the C. W. Seay Award for the best basketball player and the J. L. Mitchell Award for the highest free-throw percentage at a special Athletic Awards Day program recently.

Mr. Gidion Smith, former Hampton Institute physical education professor, was the main speaker for the event.

Mr. Smith emphasized the importance of competitive sports in preparing youth for life.

Appearing on the program in addition to Mr. Smith, were the following: James Allen, who led devotions; Mr. J. L. Mitchell, who introduced the speaker; Coach H. C. Waters, Mr. C. F. Pinn, Mr. F. C. Conard, and Mrs. Shirley Jones. Music for the occasion was rendered by the "Melodettes" and the Male Chorus. The former sang "Blue Star" while the chorus presented two selections: "Stouthearted Men" and "Halls of Ivy."

POETS BOW TO ADDISON IN DISTRICT TRACK MEET

By James Allen

Addison High School of Roanoke captured the Western District Track Championship from Dunbar at the District Tournament recently.

Addison won the meet with 62 points; Dunbar placed second with 57 points.

The line-up for the Poets was as follows:

Fred Scott—2nd in 440.

William Spencer—4th in 440.

Jack Bayes—3rd in 100 yd. dash.

*Thomas Cardwell—1st in mile run.

Jeff Davis—2nd in mile run.

Jeff Davis—2nd in 880.

Lester Green—3rd in 880.

On pole vault: *Dawson Smith, 1st; Leonard Harris, 3rd.

Shot put: *John Morris, 1st; Eugene "Hot Dog" Penick, 3rd.

(Paul Harris and Leonard Harris tied for second in pole vault.)

*Indicates first place.

Y. M. C. A. Gets New Quarters And New Secretary

By Frank Royal

Coinciding with the moving of Hunton Branch Y. M. C. A. to its beautiful and spacious new building recently was the installation of the new Executive Secretary of Hunton Branch, Mr. C. C. Moore.

Mr. Moore, who previously was associated with the Y. M. C. A. of Jackson, Mississippi, is a native of that state. He and Mr. Ernest Mosby, Boys' Secretary, are busily making adjustments and plans to insure the best "Y" service possible to the males in this community.

The new quarters, which are located on 12th and Taylor Streets, will be opened on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and when necessary on Sunday.

He was the founder of the United Negro College Fund,

which was established in 1944.

In 1950, under the sponsorship of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, he made a four-month survey of vocational and adult education in Africa, the Scandinavian countries, and Western Europe.

Dr. Patterson is a member of the Methodist Church, a 33rd degree Mason, a member of the President's Commission on Higher Education, and a trustee of Hampton Institute and Bennett College.

Other speakers on the commencement program will include the salutatory by Helen Williams and the valedictory by Raymond Holmes.

Music will be furnished by Dunbar chorus and band with Miss Joyce Haskins as accompanist.

All State Band Conference

By Vivian Pinn

On April 6 at 6:15 a. m. Vivian Pinn, Harry Royal, Stuart Moore, Dawson Smith and Melvin York, who were selected as members of the All-State Band, left for Virginia State College in Petersburg, Virginia to attend the All-State Band Conference.

After arriving at 9:45, the program proceeded in the following order:

10:00-12:00—Rehearsals.

12:00- 1:30—Lunch.

1:30- 5:30—Rehearsals.

5:30- 7:00—Dinner.

7:15- 8:15—Recital.

The band was under the superb leadership of Mr. Donald E. McGinnis, teacher of wood-winds and director of the symphonic band of Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

This band was the first of its kind and was composed of 135 members of high school bands from the following schools:

Crestwood, B. T. Washington (Norfolk), Armstrong, Albert Harris, I. C. Norcum, G. W. Carver (Culpepper), Hoffman-Boston High, Lucy Addison, Maggie Walker, B. T. Washington (Suffolk), Peabody, Virginia Randolph, Princess Anne Co. Training School, Parker Gray, Jackson P. Burley, Phenix High, T. C. Walker, Dunbar, Walker Grant, Carter G. Woodson (Hopewell).

Teachers Attend Sixth District Meeting



TRACK TALK

By James Allen

Say sport fans,

The trees are blooming and that good spring air is here again, and there's no doubt about it that everybody's mind is on that great sport "Track."

I think we ought to salute all of the fellows that endure the hard training of track and support their "meets" to the best of our ability because it builds the team's spirit to see that they have us behind them.

Here are the members of this year's track team:

William "Flash" Spencer, Co-Captain; Hayes "Cramp Up" Banks, Co-Captain; Thomas "Landy" Cardwell, Fred "Galloping Ghost" Scott, Frank "Mucky" Lee, Lester "Speedo" Green, Jeff "Whirlwind" Davis, Dawson "Sky Rocket" Smith, Jack "Jet" Bayes.

Ernest Dean, Joseph Scott, Otis "Flight" Tucker, Wilburn "Slowmotion" Tanner, Howard "Two Ton" Scott, Donald "Eyes" Johnson, David Haythe, Bobby Garrett, Leonard Harris.

Tennis In The Making

By Benjamin Carter

Even before the recognition of a Tennis team at Dunbar, Mr. Pinn had his potential members on the back courts practicing daily. Now this group, which includes several new boys from the freshman class, have developed good overheads, drop shots and volleys.

It is expected that all the members of the team will travel to Roanoke on May 28 and meet the challenge of Addison High School.

On May 5, the group will meet on Norcum High School court in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Physical Education Students Display Skills

By Wanda Jones

Efficiency in technical skills, dancing, and tumbling was displayed by the members of the Physical Education Department in their recent assembly program.

In the beginning of the program, which was sponsored by Mr. C. F. Pinn and Mrs. Shirley H. Jones, exhibitions were presented in calisthenics and the various sports in which students participate at Dunbar.

The second scene was highlighted by the presentation of all types of dances including ballet, tap, and square numbers. A tumbling exhibit which followed, thrilled the audience with its daring performances.

The last number was a wrestling match which featured the one and only Jack Bayes who naturally stole the show.

Effie Hubbard provided devotions for the program.

PENN RELAY VICTORY AT LAST

By Leon Braswell

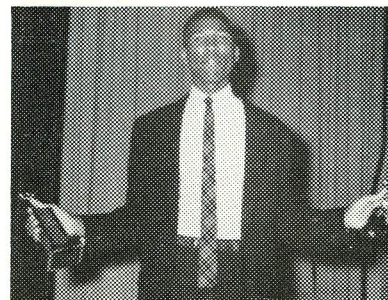
For the first time in Dunbar track team history the team has returned home with a first place plaque from the Penn Relay, the high school class mile relay.

The winning team included William Spencer, Jack Bayes, Fred Scott and Hayes Banks.

The team received gold medals for their fine performances. Other members of the team participating in the relay were Thomas Cardwell and Jeff Davis.



These Lynchburg teachers attended the Sixth District Meeting in Bedford recently. (Left to right), Miss Jeanette Garnett, Mrs. Irene Mitchell, Mrs. Clara Seay, Mrs. Fannie Womack, Mrs. M. M. Pullen, and Mrs. D. M. Slaughter. (Back row, left to right), Mrs. Esther Webster, Mrs. M. W. Harris, Mr. Allen Thornhill, Mrs. Dorothy Obey and Mr. J. L. Mitchell.



Robert McCory Displays His Trophies

Sophomores In Talent Program As Classes Meet

SOPHOMORE CLASS

By Rubin Kidd

The sophomores had an interesting quiz program this month called "Pennies Make Dollars." Participants on the program were students selected from each sophomore homeroom.

John Hughes won fifteen cents; Gerald Johnson, twenty cents; Alfred Cunningham, fifteen cents; and Frankie Jackson, fifteen cents.

The Youth Conference was the discussion for the sophomores in their March meeting.

Brenda Thomas sang "Suddenly There's A Valley" and many interesting reports were given by Laura Irvine, Wilburn Tanner, Mary Davis, Geraldine

Mosely, Alfred Cunningham, Eleanor Brown and Joseph Pools.

FRESHMAN CLASS

By Joyce Braxton

On February 6th the Freshman class presented the first dance after the holidays. In the atmosphere of pink and green many of the class of "59" were seen. The dance was a great success and all who attended enjoyed themselves.

At the regular class meeting the Program Committee of which Lucille Withers is chairman held a spelling match. The contestants were selected by homerooms as follows: Homeroom 11: Gwendolyn Webster and Pearl

Walker Grant, Carter G. Woodson (Hopewell).

The instrumentation included: flutes, oboes, piccolo, clarinets, bassoons, saxophones, trumpets, French horns, basses, baritone horns, trombones, tympanies and percussion.

After a very successful and entertaining recital, the events of a very interesting day were concluded.

TV Program

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Three speakers representing three eras of education from 1881 to the present were Rosetta Brown, a senior student, Mrs. Erna D. Jordan, a patron, and Miss Jeanette E. Irvine of the faculty. Miss Elaine Chafin, also of the faculty, was the narrator. Some members of the Dunbar Chorus under the direction of Mr. Y. B. Williams, provided the music.

Just For Laughs

By Raye Wills

Son: "Dad, the wall clock has stopped."

Dad: "Did it run down?"

Son: "No, it fell down."

Ned: "What did one pyramid say to the other pyramid?"

Jed: "Did you see my mummy?"

Wilson. Homeroom 12: Mabel Gunn, Joyce Johnson, and Elizabeth Reeves. Homeroom 14: Lucille Withers, Ernest Deane, Ann Jordan and Lawrence Early. Homeroom 15: Joyce Braxton, Constance Withers, Barbara Brew and Joseph Linthicum. The winner was Barbara Brew and runner-up Elizabeth Reeves. The rules were taken from the National Spelling Match and the words were called by Miss J. C. Hamler.