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Class of 1949/1950



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Back to School AT

BLYTHWOOD

September the eighth began the 1949-1950 school terms. Many faces, old and new, showed signs of happy returns.

The entire student body and faculty assembled in the auditorium where the Reverend Mr. W. R. Morgan was in charge of the devotions. Mr. Rorer made the students acquainted with the new teachers that have been added to the faculty. After the business had been completed everyone joined in singing "America, the Beautiful".

The grades marched to their home rooms and found the new changes in the faculty. They were given registration cards to fill out as to what subjects they would be taking this year.

This year the elementary grades have an enrollment of 250 and the high school has an enrollment of 185.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Blythewood is fortunate and happy to have five new faculty members.

In high and grammar school, Mr. H. M. Wilson teaches several subjects. Mr. Wilson graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1949. He resides at Blythewood, and known to many as "Harry".

In grammar school, Mrs. Frances Riley teaches the third grade. She graduated from the University of South Carolina. Last year she taught at Dentsville. She is a recent bride of June 25. She now lives near Blythewood. Her hobby is collecting glass dogs and sewing.

Miss Jane Evans teaches the fourth grade. She graduated from Columbia College in June, 1949. Her hobby is horse-back riding.

The other elementary

teacher is Mrs. Joe A. Caldwell. She also teaches biology in high school. Her home is in Columbia. She graduated from Columbia College. For the past two years Mrs. Caldwell has been a technician at the State Board of Health. Her hobbies are swimming, movies, etc.

Last, but not least by all means, is the music teacher, Mrs. Garner. She lives in Columbia. Mrs. Garner taught at Ridgeway last year. She teaches thirty-four pupils. She finished music at the Atlanta Conservatory in Atlanta, Georgia. She also studied at the University of North Carolina and various other colleges. Her hobby is having young people around. She enjoys playing the piano for someone to sing. She also plays

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THOUGHTS OF A SENIOR

It has been a long road to travel, but it was truly pleasant riding.

I've looked forward to becoming a Senior for a long time but since the time has come, it's funny, but I don't feel much different. Though it does seem nice to have the front rows in the auditorium. It gives a feeling of being looked up to as dignified Seniors.

Quite a few responsibilities have been added to us since last year. The publishing of the school paper is one responsibility and getting our annuals ready is another. These are very important because they reflect the cooperation and character of our grade.

There is work as well as fun for everyone such as ordering class rings, raising money for the class trip to Washington and of course, everyone is looking forward to the presenting of diplomas in June.

I'm sure that this year will prove helpful to all in many ways in the future.

SENIORS BEGIN LAST YEAR

Feeling very enthusiastic and ambitious, the dignified seniors of 1949-50 have begun their last year of high school with a terrific BANG!

It will be the responsibility of the seniors to publish the Blythewood School Paper and plans will soon be made for the school annual. Pencil and paper are being sold by the seniors each period in the library.

Everyone seems to be eager to begin making money for the big trip to Washington in the spring. They are looking forward to the senior play which, they hope, will be the most successful senior play given at Blythewood School.

Through the cooperation and willingness of each member to do his share, the seniors are sure that this will be their most successful and enjoyable year.

NEW TEACHERS

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the violin.

Here's hoping the new teachers will enjoy teaching here and working with the old faculty members as much as everyone enjoys having them.
Best Wishes 1949-50

IMPROVEMENTS MADE AT BLYTHEWOOD

Blythewood School began its new term with quite a few improvements.

All pupils studying typing were delighted over the eleven brand new Royal Typewriters. There is also a new Victor Adding Machine which is being kept in Mr. Rorer's office. Anyone who has visited the library has seen what a wonderful improvement has been made there. A new coat of green paint has been added and the tables and bookshelves rearranged. There are plans being made for a new water system for the school, which will surely prove beneficial. The ladies in the school cafeteria are looking forward to the new gas stove which should arrive before long. There has been nothing new for the Home Economics Department yet, but the girls are planning to refinish the floors in the department, soon.

BEST WISHES

To
the

Class of 1949
WE MISS YOU!!!

GRADES ELECT OFFICERS

GRADE MOTHERS

EIGHT-B

President-----
 Patsey Roberts
 Vice-President-----
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 Mike Edmonds
 Home room teacher--
 Mr. Wilson

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 Home room teacher--
 Mrs. Zeagler

TENTH

President-----
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 Becky Andrews
 Reporter-----
 Jackie Riley
 Home room teacher--
 Mrs. Smith

ELEVENTH

President-----
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 Vice-President-----
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 Bettya Campbell
 Treas.-----
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 Reporter-----
 Eloise Trapp
 Home room teacher--
 Mrs. Lanter

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President-----
 Meta Faust
 Vice-President-----
 Edwin Entzminger
 Sec.-----
 Joan Reynolds
 Treas.-----
 Beth McLean
 Home room teacher--
 Miss Rorer

*NEW
 COURSES
 ADDED*

This year when the students at Blythewood High began making out their schedules for the coming school term they found that four new subjects had been added since last year.

The new subjects are shorthand, journalism, driver's education, and a third year of home economics.

Mr. H. M. Wilson teaches journalism and he also teaches the driver's education class. Shorthand is being taught by Mrs. Zeagler. Since the third year of home economics is being taught, Mrs. Davis does not teach any other subjects except home economics and she does not have a home room this year.

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FIRST GRADE

Mrs. W. D. Grimsley--
 Mrs. J. Roger Wilson--
 Mrs. Perry Gear-----
 Mrs. J. L. Windhorn Jr
 Mrs. C. D. Newman-----
 Mrs. George Seay-----
 Mrs. Marion Trapp-----
 Mrs. Tallie Boney Jr.-

FIFTH GRADE

Mrs. H. A. Lomas-----
 Mrs. W. M. Andrews-----
 Mrs. T. P. Davis-----
 Mrs. C. P. Wingard-----
 Mrs. M. B. Smith-----
 Mrs. E. W. Wilson-----

SIXTH GRADE

Mrs. W. H. Abell-----
 Mrs. B. W. Mattox-----
 Mrs. W. F. Paschal-----
 Mrs. J. B. Frick-----
 Mrs. B. B. Finley-----

EIGHT-A

Mrs. A. R. Blume-----
 Mrs. E. L. Nelson-----
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NINTH GRADE

Mrs. J. L. Windhorn Sr
 Mrs. P. L. Lomas-----
 Mrs. J. L. Berry-----
 Mrs. R. D. Lomas-----
 Mrs. D. A. Swygert-----

TENTH GRADE

Mrs. H. B. McLean-----
 Mrs. W. M. Andrews-----
 Mrs. W. G. Neeland-----

ELEVENTH GRADE

Mrs. T. M. Trapp-----
 Mrs. D. L. Branham-----
 Mrs. D. P. Walker-----
 Mrs. J. C. Bledsoe-----

TWELTH GRADE

Mrs. B. C. Abell-----
 Mrs. H. F. Hall-----
 Mrs. J. E. Boney-----
 Mrs. H. B. McLean-----

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LET'S BE GLEEFUL WITH
A GLEE CLUB

Everyone probably has recognized the fact that we do not have a permanent glee club. In fact, we have no glee club, permanent or not. Just before graduation each year a group is assembled to practice a few songs for commencement exercises. This is all we have that resembles a glee club.

When, after many vain efforts, the pianist and instructor finally has all the group together, they nearly go mad keeping them to-

gether and giving them the amount of practice necessary in the short length of time they have. With a glee club all this could be avoided.

You may ask; Why not organize a glee club?

Well, one day you're walking through the auditorium and you hear a group singing, "Silver Threads Among the Gold" and "Carolina Moon. It really sounds good and you think of what a fine glee club Blythewood High could have if such singers as these were members. So, you go up to the group and ask them why don't they sing more often, say in a glee club? Then one young lady pipes up with, "oh you know I can't sing." And the whole group thoroughly agrees that none of them can sing, when all the time each is thinking that he or she is as good as Crosby and Stafford combined. Modesty is grand, but not so when it hides something of value.

Last year, many who heard the group sing at commencement exercises commented that the group sang, "as good as most and better than many college glee clubs." This was possible only after hurried preparation by the leaders and singers, making it harder on everyone concerned.

We can have a glee club, a fine glee club, one that will do credit to our school and community, besides, singing is really a lot of fun.

Let's get together and have a glee club for Blythewood High.



CONGRATULATIONS, JOE!

In the September issue of the Beta Club Journal there appeared a poem written by Joseph Taylor, a member of Twelfth Grade.

The poem is the following:

GIVE AND ATTAIN

The trees were annoyed by their friend beneath

Who, with anger, defied the message they bequeathed,

A message of life—its fulness and joy—
Why shouldn't he hear?
This life—loving boy.

He had always listened, understood, and smiled,

To the message from nature, on which he relied.

Yet there he sat solemn and cross;
Life for him was only a loss.

"This world is no good," with anger he said,

"Life and all joy are gone, are dead."

"Is this really he, asked the birds with alarm,

"He who possessed such kindness and charm?"

While still he sat muttering, he uttered a sigh,

For a new-born sparrow, while attempting to fly,

In a nable nearby.

When then like a flash, a large bluejay came,

And prodded him back to his nest in the same.

"Maybe that's it," said the boy with a smile,

"By helping others, I can make life worth while."

The Beta Club joins the entire school in congratulating Joseph.

An honor not expected was received by Joe Taylor when the Southeastern Area office of the Junior Red Cross in Atlanta chose him to represent S. C. on the "Pre-Planning Committee." The Committee consisted of one delegate from each of the Southeastern states to reach camp before any of the other campers and plan the campers' activities and program of work.

The Southeastern Area JRC Camp was held July 19th-29th at Camp Macnear Talladega Alabama. Kay Cox from University High, and Joe Taylor were selected as Richland county delegates to attend the camp.

The Camp's main purpose was to develop leadership. The idea "everyone is a leader" was greatly stressed.

The campers had daily classes in First Aid, Home Nursing, Arts

and Crafts, swimming, dancing, singing, and various other interesting and profitable activities.

There were about 145 campers attending. The girls outnumbered the boys 2-1.

Everyone expressed his opinion that there had never been a better camp of any design or make. A member of campers made a motion for the camp to continue for twenty more days, but of course, this was not possible.

The JRC members went away having received something for greater than they had hoped for and Blythewood's representative acknowledges that gift that he has received, inspiration to help others.

BHS GIRLS ORGANIZE

The Blythewood High School girls have been divided into two groups. The eighth grade under the direction of Mrs. Lanter and the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades under the direction of Mrs. Smith, meet physical education every day at 10:35. The girls have organized softball teams.

The girls are looking forward to basketball season. This year they will try harder than ever to win the championship.

WITH THE JHA

OFFICERS ELECTED

On September 12, the J. H. A. elected its officers for this year. The officers are as follows:

- Alma Legrand-President
- Shirley Neeland - Vice President.
- Peggy Nelson-Secretary
- Jackie Riley-Treasurer
- Becky Andrew- Reporter

CAMPAIGN GINGLE

The Mountain Camp was oh such fun. Everyday we saw the sun. It didn't rain except at night, which caused our hair to be a sight so buying bobby pins took all our mon.

The food we cooked was oh so grand, especially the chicken which was -oh man! Before the dinner bell would ring, on the table the food we'd fling. And cleaning after all'd lend a hand.

We played and swam and went on hikes. Going to Highlands, we saw the sights. The mountain views were so inspiring. But the climbing was, ah, so tiring! So at ten-thirty all were ready to say goodnight. (Except Miss Rorer.)

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GIRLS ATTEND CAMP

The Blythewood Chapter of the Junior Homemakers Association spent the week of July 19-26 at Mountain Rest South Carolina.

During the week they enjoyed swimming several times daily. They took a five mile hike on Wednesday night.

The Batesburg-Leesville and Blythewood girls took a trip to Highlands, North Carolina on Friday, this is the Highest Mountain east of the Mississippi.

The campers included Ellen Branham, Eloise Trapp, and Peggy Nelson, Mrs. Lewis Davis teacher, and Miss Ann Rorer, Counselor.

Come In
See us TODAY
Alberts Grocery
Blythewood, S. Car.
Fresh Meat
Groceries

Friendly Service
at
Sharpe's Service Station
Blythewood, S.C.
Gas Oil
Tires
washing and Greasing
Batteries

ROAMIN' ROUND

Well another short summer gone and we're back to these long suffering days at school again. There's plenty of gossip and if you'll lend an ear, we'll let you in on a few things..... I'm sure everyone is wondering why Miss Rorers trip to J.H.A. camp was so exciting. Could Jo-Boy have anything to do with it???????? Did someone finally anchor the key to Betty C's heart? We find that it isn't drifting much since summer vacation. Miss. Hinnant's 11th history class seems to have a weakness for "Faraway Places!" Could anything be more interesting Bobby???? A certain boy named Furman R. seems to have a crush on Minnie Bell. How about it Minnie??? Francis Riley seems to be interested in a certain girl in the 10th grade. Could it be Becky??? There seems to be a blue ford in Eloise T's and Ellen B's futuro. Why such a sudden change Ellen??? We wonder if Peggy N. is still interested in a blonde??? Why is Shaw Field more interested than Clemson, Mildred? Could Furman H. be connected???? Willie Mae how is James getting along these days????? So long till next month when we'll be gossiping about you.

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WITH THE GRADES

FIRST

The Forty First graders seem happy to be in school. They are trying to make their room attractive and livable. Audrey Knight brought a bird nest for the Science table. Carol Wilson, Sylvia Seay and Jim McLean brought nice reading books. Tommy Gear contributed a pretty pot plant.

Everyone is thrilled over their first Reading books, "Before We Read."

Mrs. Samuel Kelly, a last year grade mother and her daughter, Peggy contributed two nice pot plants.

The first grade is pleased to have Miss Pamela Moore of the Columbia Bible College back with them for this year.

The first grade pupils hope to make a fine, successful year.

The First Grade has three new pets, Mutt, Jeff, and Goldie.

SIXTH

The sixth grade welcomes six new pupils this year - Margret Harrell, Gene Harrell, James Harrell, Norma Gene Newman, Atis Grinberges, and Jack Roe.

The sixth graders are glad to be back to school after a pleasant vacation. They like their two teachers, Mrs. Hinnant and Mrs. Caldwell, very much.

EIGHTH

The eighth grade has one new pupil, Gordon Hill who bails from Level School. The eighth grade is contributing to a very worthy cause. Each time someone is caught chewing gum, he drops a penny in a box. This money will be sent to the Crippled Children Society.

FIFTH

Thursday September 8 1949 brought 29 pupils to be enrolled in our grade by their teacher Mrs. Hoffman. Jackie Keane was the only new pupil. Then on Monday, September 19 another new pupil, Brenda Pauline Smith came to join our class.

The fifth grade like its teacher very much. She is very nice.

The pupils enjoy looking at pictures which remind them of school days.

Four pupils take music from Mrs. Garner. They are Judy Andrews, Irene Kelly, Jerry Branham, and KKay Wilson.

SEVENTH

The seventh graders, too, were glad to see school start. They have new teachers, books, and pencils to begin the new year. They are trying to make their look beautiful with flowers.

THE BANK OF FAIRFIELD
MEMBER OF FDIC

WINNSBORO, S.C.

FROM LATVIA THEY COME

BY

Edward Cuttings

Years before the war, things had been good on the Grinberg farm. They raised wheat, oats, barley and rye for grain. They made bread from rye, which is a little darker than bread made from wheat, but much more wholesome. Irish potatoes was one of the main crops. The land could not be cultivated from November until May because the ground was frozen and covered with snow. The leaves didn't come out on the trees until May and the ground was wet for some time. The children that were old enough were permitted to go to school. Some of the subjects were English, German, Latvian, their native language, drawing, singing, gymnastics and housekeeping. Yes, even Mr. and Mrs. Grinberg went to an agricultural school to learn modern ways of farming. Mr. Grinberg taught piano in the high school during school term because to do on the farm.

Now, the time was October, 1944, but the place was still the town of Riga, Latvia. The Russians were pushing ahead for their last stronghold. The Russians

had first held Latvia in 1940. The Germans took it in 1941, then in 1944 the Russians took it back. Mr. and Mrs. Grinberg and their four children, one a baby, left their dairy farm by horse and wagon before the Russians came. They traveled over one hundred and fifty miles through Riga to Liepja, a Latvian seaport. Boarding a ship they then traveled one day down the Baltic Sea to Gotenhafen, Germany. From there they went to a displaced persons Camp near Neurnberg.

The Lutheran Denomination helped in getting them to the German port of Bremen-hafen on the ship Ballow for New York. After ten days they arrived in New York and were there only seven hours. Then they took a train to Columbia, S. C. and next day came to Mr. Lee Mullers at Blythewood. They lived at Mr. Mullers until they finished a home on Mr. Muller's place. They are planning on farming and raising chickens.

Now the children, Ugis, a boy in the first grade, Fautrite, a girl in the third

grade, Atis, a boy in the sixth grade, and Maya, a girl in the seventh grade, are going to school at Blythewood. They are learning our language and customs. We hope that we can, in a little measure, compensate for the unhappiness they have experienced. To the Grinbergs Blythe-words say, "Welcome Home!"

BHS BOYS
BEGIN
PRACTICE

The B. H. S. basketball boys have been working out on the football field every day in order to get in shape for basketball. They have been under the guidance of Mr. H. M. Wilson, the new Blythewood High Coach. Workouts will be held in the gymnasium Mondays and Fridays and will start regularly the week after fair week. All but two regulars in the starting lineup will be back. H. T. Lovett and Billy Maples received their diplomas in June. The three regulars that are back are Francis Riley, Harold Boney, and Bobby Hall.

HISTORY OF SANDY LEVEL

BY

Eith M. Lane

On Last Sunday morning while I was sitting in church I fear my thoughts wandered a little because I could not help wondering about all the people who had once sat there.

The next morning at school Miss Rorer suggested that I write an article about Sandy Level Church so being delighted I got out the old church records and found out some very interesting facts.

The exact date of the organization of Sandy Level Church is hard to determine but two dates are recorded 1785, in the minutes of the church book and 1763, in the book, "South Carolina Baptists 1670--1905," by Leak Townsend.

During the early years of the church many members were excluded from the church for quarreling, profanity, intoxication, and failing to attend church regularly. The accused members were summoned before the church to explain why they had indulged in these sinful actions and if their explanation was unsatisfactory to the members they were excommunicated. To get back into the church, the excommunicated member would

cry, beg the church for forgiveness, and promise to do better.

Colored slaves were constantly received in to the church and were treated just as the white members. On June 1, 1823, it is noted that "Mrs. Reeds" Oliver was censured for drinking ardent spirits to excess and was later excommunicated for repeating this offense.

In 1868 a committee was appointed to find out the cause of the absence of the colored members. It was learned that they were planning to organize their own church on the grounds of their ignorance.

The question of divorce and remarriage came before the church in 1860, when a woman of the church whose first husband was

still alive remarried. She was excluded from the church for "inconsistent conduct."

A number of the members of the church inlisted in the confederate army at the outbreak of the war. These members were listed as L. M. Bookhart, S. Y. Hood, Homer Hood, Richard Hood, J. T. Plizzard, Wesley Wooten, J. A. Glenn, J. A. Turketh, Arthur Ways, B. Hays, W. P. Wyrich, Joseph Douglass, James Douglass, and Dr. J. A. Glenn. A later list shows that some of these men were killed in battle or died in camp. An interesting aftermath of the war is found in 1866 when one of the members seemed infatuated by a yankee friend and persisted in keeping him in his house. On motion, he was unanimously excluded from the fellowship of the church.

After reading the church history I could not help wondering how many members we would have in the church today if the church was as strict now as it was in the 18th century. There is one thing certain that we don't have to look around for history. We have it in Sandy Level Church.

Stop at
Wilson's
Community Store
Blythewood, S.C.
Fresh Meals
Popular Brand Groceries
Self-Service
Fair Prices

BATTERY DEAD, LIGHTS GONE

Though battery dead,
Lights gone,
The Blythewood boys,
Carried on.

That was the outcome of the FFA Boys' visit to Clemson College Saturday, September 17, but let's begin at the beginning.

Eleven o' clock Saturday morning found a group to leave for the annual visit to Clemson College to see Clemson and PC open their Football season.

Leaving at eleven A.M., the boys, accompanied by Mr. Rorer, Mr. Harrell and Mr. Wilson reached Clemson at 3:30 and visited many places of interest on the campus.

The game started at eight P.M. and after seeing Clemson take the game 69-7, the boys started home at 10:50.

Eleven-thirty found the boys twenty-nine miles from Clemson with a dead battery. While some slept, the other boys decided to break the monotony with a game of tag, on Belton's main street. Three others joined in a song while Belton Police, strange to say, stood listening.

With the untiring, but weary, efforts of Mr. Harrell and Mr. Rorer, the battery was charged and the boys regretfully left Bel-

ton at 2:20 Sunday Morning.

The charge lasted to West Columbia and there it was charged again. While the battery was being charged the beautiful dawn of Sunday Morning broke the sky. Now, needing no lights, they started for home again and reached Blythewood at 6 A.M.

With spirit undaunted, And no one to blame, Each boy looks forward To next year's game.

Drive Safely

you



Just can't stop
"on a Dime"

PERSONALITY PARADE

Flash! Flash! Heading the personality parade for the first issue of Blythe-Words we have one of the outstanding contestants in the beauty contest sponsored by the senior class of '49.

Service with a Smile

J. R. Creech

Blythewood, S.C.

Gulf

Gas

washing

oil

She is five feet, four inches tall, and weighs 139 pounds. Her eyes are brown and her brown hair displays the "new look" with its ultra-smart short bob.

Her favorite subject is typing. "Some Enchanted Evening" tops her hit parade and yum, yum, her favorite foods are fried chicken and apple pie a la mode.

Our mystery lady has been in the Beta Club for three years. She started playing basketball in the eighth grade and since then she has been an outstanding guard on the B. H. 'S. team. She was also one of the marshalls at the graduation exercised in June.

She describes her dream man as bring five feet, nine inches tall, weighing 158 pounds with hazel eyes and brown curly hair. Who is this lucky lad? We bet that his initials are G.H.

This slick senorita plans to be a telephone operator after her graduation in June of 1950.

Say, who is this mysterious lady? Well you are "so--right", it's our own Carolyn "Caledonia" Raines.

We see Mr. Rorer has a new car but still no girl. "Maybe you can catch one now, Mr. Rorer."

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AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

NOVEMBER 6-12

"MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK."

Using "Making Democracy Work" as its theme, Blythewood High School has made plans to observe American Education Week on November 6-12.

In high school, Mrs. Davis, Miss Rorer, and Mrs. Lanter with Meta Faust, Joseph Taylor, George Jones, Peggy Nelson, Betty Campbell, Clarence Albert, Furman Hall, Sarah Allen, Melvin Abell, Frances Nelson, have planned a forum on several crucial international, national, state and local issues.

Mr. Rorer, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Zeagler with H. B. McLean Shirley Neeland, Joan Reynolds, Thomas Burton, Johnnie Sue Bunch Jimmy Coutsos, Faye Berry, Mary Lomas, Joe Marsh, Ellen Branham, are planning a handbook for developing democratic habits in and out of class activities.

Miss Hinnant, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Harel, with Billy Burton, Becky Andrews, Annie

Laurie Hollis, Ernestine Price, Emma Jo Wise, Shirley Campbell Esther Lee Bass, Alma Rae Lomas, James Mattox, Eloise Trapp, and Edwin Entzminger are preparing a pamphlet on "These Are Our Duties as American Citizens."

In grammar school, Mrs. Richard Riley is chairman of the committee from the first through the third grades and Mrs. Hinnant from the fourth grades. Each grade is to have a program in their room each morning. The pupils are to bring posters and pictures in keeping with American Education Week.

American Education Week has been celebrated since 1921. It is a week to review the aims, history, and achievements of each school, canvass the needs and problems, promote greater understanding of the work of the schools and

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META FAUST ELECTED

MISS HI MISS

Emma Meta Faust was elected by the senior class and the high school faculty to represent the senior class as Miss-Hi-Miss in The Johnsonian.

For the past 12 years, The Johnsonian, a weekly newspaper of Winthrop College, has given prominence to South Carolina high school senior girls chosen by their school as outstanding in scholarship, leadership, character, and personal attractiveness. The edition last year consisted of 18 pages of standard newspaper size, and contained pictures of 149 Miss-Hi-Misses, and the story of Winthrop College in pictures and text.

Emma Meta is president of her class, publicity director on the annual staff, and a member of the Beta Club. Her sophomore year she was Beta Club Historian and chairman of the Citizenship Club.

P.T.A. PRESENTS

WOMANLESS WEDDING

The Parent-Teacher Association promises an evening of hilarious entertainment when it presents a womanless Wedding on November — at — o'clock in the school auditorium.

The main character, that of the lovely bride, will be played by D.A. Swygert Sr. her "one and only" who had better stay as "good as he is because if he gets any worst she will kill him", will be played by R.W. Harrell Jr.

The other characters are as follows: E.L. Nelson, first usher; Thomas Boney, second usher; T. C. Burton, uncle of the bride; C. F. Revills, aunt of the bride; G.F. Jones a neighbor, Walter Ballentine, A jilted suitor; W. C. Rorer, a guest; Aaron Branham, baby sister of the bride; J.L. Berry, a colored nurse; — Sessions, grandfather of the bride, Chris Leitner, grandmother of the bride, E.M. Hawley Mother of the bride; T.H. Wilds, soloist; — Kelly, ring bearer; — Albert, maid of honor, Andrews, best man; H.S. Allen Sr, official splicer; John Bunch, father of the bride; Ernest Raines and William Castles,

train bearers; Edwin Entzminger, pianist; T. C. Loman Sr. and Richard Riley, flower girls; Parker Davis, Finley Hall, and Brooks Abell, bridesmaids.

The P.T.A. is sure that no one will regret having witnessed this performance. An admission will be charged.

SYMPATHY

The students of Blythewood School express sympathy to the Elton Walker's Family in their bereavement.

4th GRADE BEGINS STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Claudia Jo Dyches and June Berry have been elected monitors for the fourth grade. Their duties are to remind the pupils to go up and down the steps slowly and quietly.

Randolph Frick has been elected to remind the boys to be quiete in the basement while they are washing their hands for lunch.

The student government has been working fine.

The fourth graders are trying to make their room attractive for National Education Week. They have started a "piggy bank" to provide funds for remodeling the room.

more pot plants for their room, to place pictures above the blackboards, and to add new covers for the table and bookcase.

The fourth grade is having an interesting time learning how to write paragraphs.

BETA CLUB HAS INSTALLATION SERVICE

The Beta Club held it's annual installation services for officers and new members on Wednesday, November 2, in the high school auditorium.

The "Key Installation" Service was used. The program was opened with the devotional led by Peggy Abell.

New members of the Beta Club are Billy Burton, H.B. McLean Jr, Becky Andrews, Shirley Neeland, Peggy Nelson, and Jacqueling Riley.

New officers accepting "Keys if responsibility" are Joan Reynolds, president, Betty Abell, vice-president and Lunette Hall, secretary-treasure.

Others participating on the program were Annis Laurie Hollis, Mildred Walker, Beth McLean, Joseph Taylor, and Edwin Entzminger.

Did you hear about Mr. Harrell's going to Niagara Falls alone on his honeymoon because Mrs. Harrell had already seen it.

BLYTHEWOOD IRC TO HELP DECORATE

The Blythewood Chapter of the Junior Red Cross will help in decorating Tapp's window for two weeks in November.

To show their appreciation for the work and gifts of the high schools enrolled in Junior Red Cross work in Richland County, school children in Guam have made necklaces and beads from shells, grass skirts, handbags, etc, and have sent there to the Richland County chapter.

This beautiful handiwork will be on display in a window at Tapp's in Columbia from November 1--15, during the Junior Red Cross Membership Drive.

When in Columbia visit Tapp's window and see their work of appreciation.

BLYTHEWOOD FACULTY ATTENDS SCEA MEETING

The faculty of Blythewood School attended the District meeting of the South Carolina Education Association which was held in the Columbia High School Auditorium on the afternoon and evening of October 24.

The afternoon session began at 4 o'clock, with the evening meeting at 7 o'clock.

JOAN REYNOLDS TO HEAD YEARBOOK

Joan Reynolds was recently elected by the senior class to serve as editor-in-chief of the 1950 edition of Blythe-Spirit, the school yearbook.

Joan was the junior representative on the staff last year; therefore she has had some experience in publishing a yearbook. She is also a member of the journalism class.

Other officers elected were:

- Assistant Manager Joseph Taylor
- Business Manager Francis Riley
- Assistant business ... Betty Abell and Edwin Entzminger
- Managers Annie Laurie Hollis
- Production Manager ... Assistant Production . Manager
- Bobby Hall
- Art Editors Lunette Hall and Edwin Entzminger
- Publicity Director ... Meta Faust
- Assistant Publicity .. Directors
- Thomas Burton
- Laura Blume and Beth McLean
- Junior Representative Mildred Walker

The staff with the cooperation of the other members of the senior class hopes to publish a Blythe-Spirit of which Blythewood School may be proud.

RING SIZES TAKEN

The seniors were very excited on Tuesday, October 11, because Mr. E.A. Jackson representing the Josten Company had come to take their ring sizes. This was one of the things for which they had worked for twelve long years.

They voted unanimously for the same standard ring which the school has had for a number of years.

Beth McLean, Annie Laurie Hollis, and Joan Reynolds had the smallest finger, and Bobby Hall the largest finger.

The seniors hope to receive their rings around the last of February or the first of March.

HOLIDAYS !!!!

On Thursday, October 20, the Blythewood School pupils began their two-days vacation to attend the Annual State Fair.

Some of the students went to the Carolina Clemson game on Thursday, while others enjoyed listening to it over the radio.

Friday was the "big" day for most of the students. The school buses took many of the pupils to the fair Friday. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the fair, and each is looking forward to it again next year.

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A NEW SCHOOL - WE HOPE

If any of you have been to Bethel negro school lately, you have seen the nice new building that has been constructed. Two more on the same order are to be constructed in other parts of the county for the negroes.

During the last two and one-half years, there has been under

construction in Columbia, a new school building for the negroes that is costing our taxpayers around \$250,000. This school is modern in every respect. It even has two conference rooms so as to enable the home coach and the visiting coach to confer undisturbed with their basketball teams. Blythewood High School, for some reason, doesn't even have facilities for hot water in the dressing rooms. This same school has three stories and has sufficient room for all classes.

At Blythewood, as the students well know, study halls are held in the auditorium and in the agriculture building.

Comparing this year's enrollment at Blythewood High School with that of last year's, we find that there are 20 more pupils enrolled for this year than there were last year. Statistics show that our population is on a steady increase. Every year the number of students enrolled in educational institutes grows. This is rightfully so at Blythewood High. If this increase in enrollment continues, where will all those enrolled at Blythewood be placed? If nothing is done about giving us more room at Blythewood High, in a year or so our pump house will be used for a science laboratory.

Another example of limited space at Blythewood High is our music room. It has enough room for a piano and stool, the teacher and student. For instance, while I was passing the music room last Thursday, there was a group of third graders practicing singing outside the music room while the piano was on the inside. There wasn't enough room for the students to get inside.

Let's look at Blythewood's new school buildings, three stories high, thirty rooms, new auditorium, a new gymnasium with dressing rooms that have hot water—in every way a modern school plant. You can't keep me from dreaming can you, or are those days gone forever?

OUR ALUMNI

LAST YEAR'S GRADUATES

BEULAH ALLEN is in training at the Baptist Hospital.

DOROTHY NELSON is in training at the Columbia Hospital.

GERTRUDE LOMAS and ANNE JOYE ALLEN are attending Winthrop College.

HELEN COUTSOS is married and keeping house.

BILLY MAPLES is working in North Carolina.

H.T. LOVETT is a foreman at Fort Jackson.

SARAH SLOAN is attending Columbia Commercial College.

FRANCES HALL and DORSEY CAMPBELL are working at Dodd's 5-10¢ store.

DOROTHY HOOD is expecting to be married soon.

BLYTHEWOOD BOYS BEGIN PRACTICE

The Blythewood boys held their first basketball practice Monday evening, October 24. Only seven boys Joe Taylor, Bobby Hall, Harold Boney, Pete Swygert, Bobby Sharpe, Clarence Albert, and Frank Riley were present for practice but more are expected at the next practice. Beginning next week, practice games will be held with other schools. The basketball season will open December 2 when the two teams play their first regular scheduled game.

AG BOYS HELP DISABLED VETERANS

Blythewood agriculture boys, under the guidance of Mr. R. W. Harrell, have been making lap boards for the soldiers at Fort Jackson.

The Richland County Junior Red Cross has furnished the material and the boys have made twenty five lap boards. These boards make it more convenient and comfortable for the soldiers to write in bed.

The Red Cross wishes to thank Mr. Harrell and his boys for the very fine job.

ORGANIST AND BARITONE VISIT SCHOOL

On Wednesday, October 5, Donald Wells, Organist, and Adam Hamme, Baritone, carrying a portable Hammond Organ presented an unusual and entertaining program.

The program consisted of Classical, semi-classical and popular renditions, Song of the selections were "Meditation", (Thais) "Thine Alone", "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top"; and "Now is the Hour". The audience joined in singing several selections.

Donald Wells gave a detailed descriptions of the different parts of the Organ.

FIRST GRADE DECORATES FOR HALLOWEEN

The first grade has decorated for Halloween. The Grade Mothers have planned a party.

The following ladies have been added to the Grade Mothers list since the last news: Mrs. Lenord Kelley, Mrs. Hiram Allen Sr. Mrs. Ernest Raines, and Mrs. Knight,

Mrs. Newman gave Charlie a birthday party in the room Wednesday October 19th. Games were played. Delicious cake, candy and ice cream were served by Mrs. Newman and Charlie's two Aunts from Columbia.

Tommy Gear and Beth Grimsley will serve as King and Queen from Grade 1 in the Halloween Carnival.

NATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

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college, sharpen citizens interest in securing needed improvements; and strengthen home and school relationships.

Mrs. Smith is chairman of the High School Committee for National Education Week.

The superintendent and the faculty extend a cordial welcome to each parent and friend to visit the school during A.E.W.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

SENIORS HOLD ELECTION

As you enter Mrs. Zeagler's ninth grade home room from the high school hall, you will notice on the wall left of the door, two pictures. These pictures show Mrs. Zeagler's fifth grade class of '45-'46 and her present ninth graders, giving the comparison of how the same ninth graders appeared four years ago and of today, -and what a comparison! Well, the fellow that said, "Time changes everything," sure was right, -at least almost.

Let's see what time HAS done for Furman Hall, for instance. Back there four years ago, little Furman was scrouny and, well, he wasn't what you would call extremely studious looking, but look at him now-- a big, robust character and he's boasting that he's going to be Val-edictorian of his class when he graduates in 1954. THAT will happen when the Pussy Willow whispers to the Catnip Tree.

Now, if you wish to see some real progress that Father Time has made, take a look at petiet Miss Sara Allen of four years ago. A shy, bashful, cute little thing. Shade your eyes and look now

She's-uh-CUTE!

From the looks of this class now, quite a few will be enrolled in the Beta Club another year.

Many in the class have been together from the first grade. Some have dropped out, some new ones have added their names to Mrs. Zeagler's roll. Take this year for instance, there's two new students, Bettie and Bobbie Raines who do the ninth grade right proud.

Stop a minute and let's take a look at the picture at the bottom of the present ninth graders.

What do you think? Beauty, intelligence, Romantic! Not bad, huh?

Mrs Zeagler at Winthrop

Mrs. W.C. Zeagler attended an all-day meeting of the S.C. Business Teachers Association held at Winthrop College on October 22.

A feature of this meeting was the shorthand clinic conducted by Mr. Louis A. Leslie of New York City, Co-author of the new Gregg Shorthand Manual Simplified. Blythewood school is one of the few high schools in the state offering this new course to its students.

Many of the present members of the senior class have been together since their first year in school. These will be listed when the class history is written.

At a meeting held Thursday, October 27, the seniors elected ones from their group to hold the various senior positions including the Historian.

Those elected to these positions were: Historian.....

Annie Laurie Hollis Prophet.....

Peggy Abell Poet.....

Joe Taylor Lawyer.....

Thomas Burton Giftorians.....

Louise Lovett Frank Riley

Seniors Sell Xmas Cards

The senior class received its supply of Christmas Cards around the first of October, and has been busy selling them to other students, teachers and friends. To date, One hundred and six boxes have been sold. The money that is raised from this project will help to pay for their trip to Washington in the spring of 1950. The seniors appreciate the co-operation of those who have bought Christmas Cards from them.

TWINS - AREN'T THEY EXCITING

Twins always are exciting, aren't they? I don't know why, but there is something about twins that always fascinates me. Last Tuesday I began investigating to see whether we had any twins at Blythewood. Heavens! I start with the seventh grade and there I find two sets. This month I'll tell you about the Lovett twins, Jacquelyn and Gwendolyn. These happy girls were born in February, 1938, to be exact the 22nd day. Both were very energetic and still are, but Jacquelyn was a little more so than Gwendolyn. When they were only a year old and were being fed, and when Jacquelyn had finished her bottle of milk she very determinedly took her sister's and finished it, too. This happened so often that when brother or sister were around they had to keep their eye's open.

Being very ambitious they started to school at five years of age to Killian School. They liked it so well they wanted to go back after they had gotten home. Then as five short years passed they began their sixth year at Blythewood.

They are very agreeable, there are very few things that one likes that the other dislikes. At school

they both like spelling and English but Gwendolyn likes math very much and Jacquelyn dislikes it as much as Gwendolyn likes it. Their favorite sports are softball and horse back riding; but when no horse is found, they settle for a mule. How happy Gwendolyn is when fair week comes, but Jacquelyn is even happier when Christmas is here. Gwendolyn likes school so well that hardly before I had the question off my tongue she replied, "yes, I love school, but Jacquelyn does not", and Jacquelyn says, "I like school only when I am feeling good." Both want to be house wives, and they prove it by helping their mother with the dishes, dusting and any chores that she may have for them. One would get the impression they were tom boys the way they play in trees and race to get to drive the wagon. When the time permits, they read many books and listen to their favorite radio programs.

Jacquelyn was named for her great, great grand mother and Gwendolyn has a name of her own.

Gwendolyn seems to have been "Saturday's Child because she has

had most of the bad luck. She has had everything from dog bites to stumped toes.

They are so identical that often their mother has trouble telling them apart and it is really a problem for the teacher and pupils.

11th JHA GIRLS GIVE TEA

The eleventh grade home economics class delightfully entertained the teachers of Blythewood High School with an informal tea on Thursday, October 6, from 3:30 - 4:30 o'clock.

The home economic room and the tea table were decorated with fall flowers.

Hot tea, salted nut and cream coconut-cookies, cream cheese, with olive sandwiches, and pimento cheese sandwiches, mints and nuts were served also.

Helen Wells poured tea. Betty Campbell and Mildred Walker kept the table filled. Lillie Mae Bass and Edith Shirah kept hot tea made. Lillian Easter, Ellen Brankam, Eloise Trapp and Alva LeGrande were hostesses.

The teachers and the eleventh grade enjoyed the entertainment.

ROAMIN' ROUND

Don't look too down hearted, Bobby, Nancy hasn't moved to far away.

We wonder if Miss Rorer can hold on to the man she has now!! We surely hope so.

Well another month has gone and although there's little gossip we will let you in on what we do know. It seems as if Evie Lee, S. has trouble holding her men. Evie Lee, could they be from the twelfth grade???

We hear a certain boy from Jenkinsville seems to like Peggy N.

Is this true Peggy??? James M. certainly seemed satisfied with his part in the play. Did you Mildred??? We felt pretty sure that Ellen will choose a safer way of going home from the Halloween Carnival this year than she did last year. By the way Ellen do you still like station wagons??? Why has Joseph M. suddenly lost interest in the ninth grade girls. We wonder what Bernice will do with Benny when Eugene comes home Did you girls know

that Joe T. could cook? Miss Rorer does.

May each of you have a drumstick come Thanksgiving -----and a thankful Thanksgiving to you-----so long.

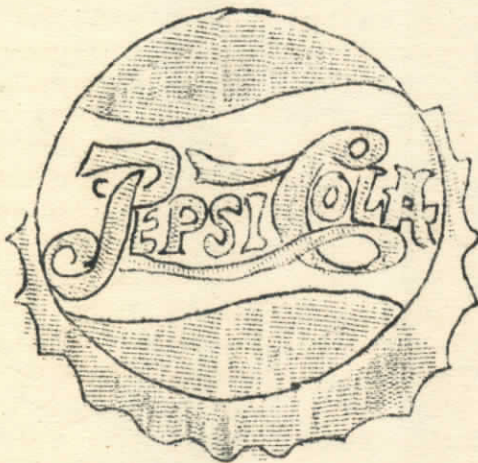
Your Society Editor

SENIORS PLAN AMATEUR REVUE

The Senior class is making plans for an Amateur Revue which will be presented in December.

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Tommy Gear and Peggy Kelly were crowned king and queen respectively of the traditional Halloween Carnival sponsored by the Junior class, Friday night, October 28.

Preceding the coronation a one-act play entitled "The Haunted Suitcase" was presented.

After the play the kings and queens of the various grades were introduced to the audience.

The king and queen of the high and of the grammar school were also selected. Harold Wessinger and Betty Raines were selected from the high school and Hubert Hass and Dorothy Paschal from grammar school.

Old fashioned cake walk, bingo, cake auctions, throwing pennies and balls, fortune telling were enjoyed

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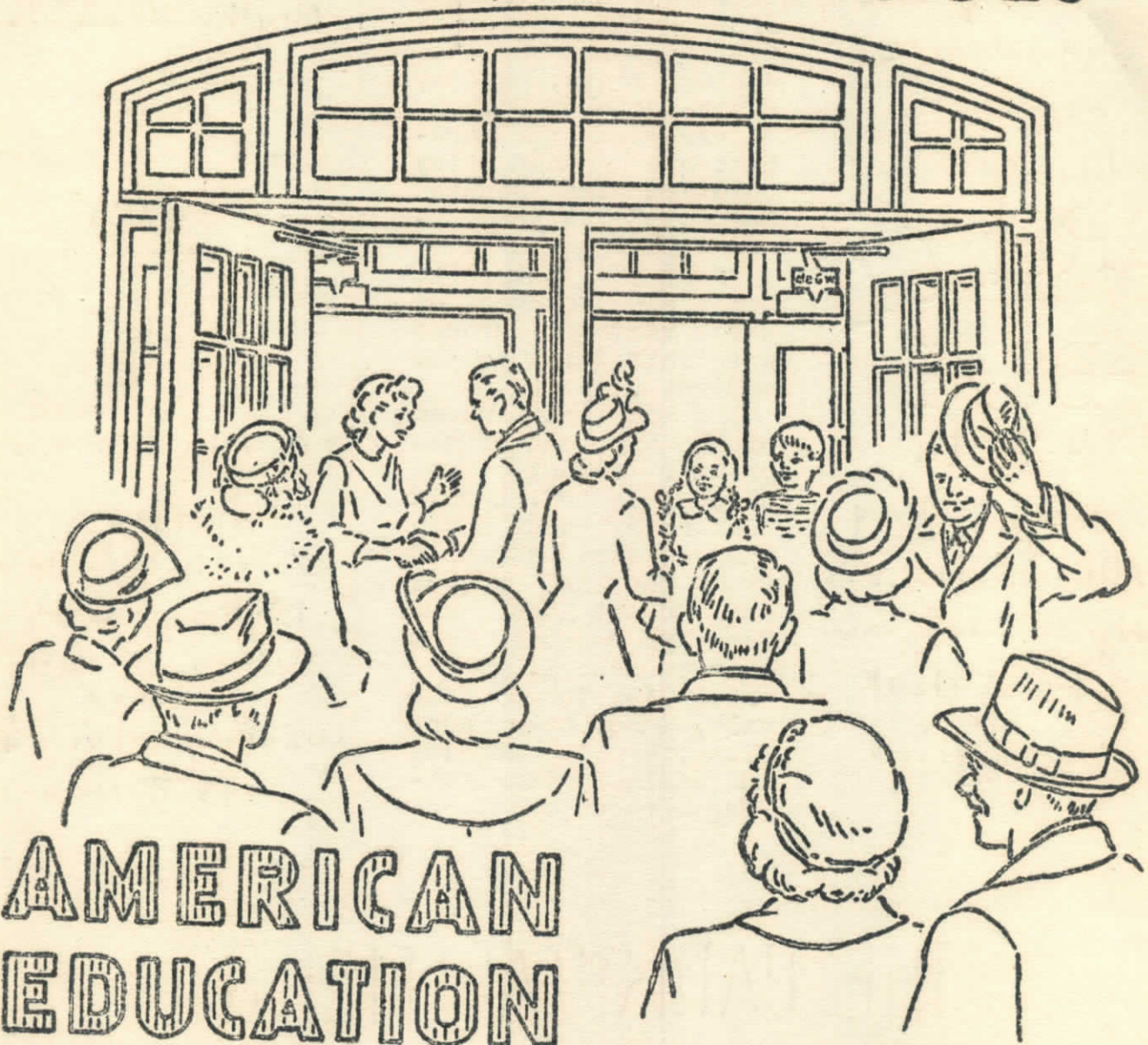
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RECITAL TONIGHT

The members of The Music Club plan to give their first recital of the year on February 14. They have worked hard but due to the little time and space in which to practice, they have had great difficulty.

The pupils included are Clarice Lever, Ann Wessinger, Pati Edmonds, Johnnie Sue Bunch, Dale Davis, Peggy Kelly, William Hutchinson, Jewel Johnson, Margaret Creech, Anne Langford, Sue Hagood, Sara Mae Branham, Vernon Jones, Edward Jones, Barbara Jones, Claudia Jo Dyches, Pamela Johnson, Dorothy Irene Kelly, Gloria Jane Knight, Maxine Brown, Faye Berry, June Berry, Libby Berry, Mike Edmonds, Norman Rodgers, Norma Jean Newman, Kay Wilson, Natalie Peake, Maedelle Moore, Patsy Roberts, Louise Roberts, Evelyn McCaston, Peggy Mattox, Elsie LeGrande, Ann Smyrl, Judy Andrews, Betty Bradwell and Shelby Stockman.

The public is cordially invited to attend this recital.

HOLLIS CHOSEN
D.A.R. PILGRIM

Annie Laurie Hollis has been chosen by the senior class and high school faculty to represent Blythewood High School as its D. A. R. Pilgrim. She was selected on the basis of her scholarship, leadership, dependability, and her future usefulness as a citizen.

Annie Laurie well deserved this recognition. She is Class Historian, production manager of the Blythe-Spirit, exchange editor of Blythe-Words, Class Reporter, and a Beta Club member.

Annie Laurie is always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to her teachers and classmates. In this way, she is preparing herself for a rich life in a democratic society.

Each year this contest is sponsored by The Daughters of The American Revolution. A drawing was made by a committee in January to decide who would win the annual D. A. R. award which was a sum of \$100.

MARCH OF DIMES

Infantile paralysis is most feared of all diseases. The medical profession has as yet only incomplete knowledge of the way in which it is spread, of its prevention and treatment and cure.

Each year the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis conducts its fundraising campaign. One half of the money that is raised remains in the county, the other half goes to the National Organization to finance its nation-wide program. No age limit is placed on those who may receive the services of the Chapter.

Throughout Richland County the small "iron lungs" have been distributed. At Blythewood there were two one for grammar school and one for high school. This campaign began on January seventeenth and ended February sixth. At the end of the campaign the grammar school had collected \$12.25, and the high school \$21.86 making a total of \$34.11.

TEEN CANTEEN ORGANIZED

The new opening of the Teen Canteen was held in the Blythewood gymnasium on January 7, with a Tacky Party.

This canteen is an outgrowth of the interest shown by the members of the P.T.A. who realize that the recreation facilities at Blythewood are totally inadequate to suit the needs of the young people.

It is held every two weeks and different members of the P.T.A. serve as chaperons. Refreshments are sold.

One of the main activities enjoyed is square dancing. Mr. D.L. Branham serves as Master of Ceremonies.

All young people and those who are interested in seeing clean entertainment brought to Blythewood are especially invited to the next canteen which will be held on February 11th.

Mrs. E.L. Nelson is chairman of the P.T.A. Committee.

MISS MOODY

Blythewood School is glad to have Miss Carylton Moody of Columbia College and Dillon, S.C. as student teacher in the Home Ec. Department.

A truly likeable person to have around, but alas, she is getting married in June.

AFTER THE BATTLE —

COMES RELIEF

The students at Blythewood High got down to some real studying the week of January 20. The reason? Mid-Semester Examinations began on Wednesday, February 22.

On Thursday, February 2, the students received their report cards. Most of the students were well pleased with them and those who did not do so well are going to study harder the remaining half of the year so that when examination time rolls around again in May and they receive their final report cards on June 2, they will find that they have made their grade.

10 FLIGHTS UP

Whenever we hear teachers tell of the reluctance of students to put effort into learning, we think of the first students that John Robert Gregg had in his "Light-Line Phonography Institute" in Liverpool, England, in 1888. They climbed to the top of a ten-story, elevatorless office building so they could attend their classes.

NEW FORD FOR DRIVING CLASS

One day in driving class, someone asked "When are we going to get our car?"

With a perfectly honest look on his face, Mr. Wilson answered, "We're supposed to get it by next Wednesday."

Six weeks later the car arrived—a standard model navy blue Ford "6". Everyone thought it was wonderful, until Mr. Wilson began putting down grades on the way they drove it. Some of the things the driving students are supposed to be able to do are the turnabout, parallel parking, driving in traffic, and following a white line while going forward or backward. Even with all these maneuvers, there are no dents in the car yet. The driving class is very proud of the car and want to keep it this way.

SYMPATHY

In the death of M.G. Bigham, the brother of Miss Martha Bigham, the faculty and student body wish to extend our deepest sympathy.

We wish, also, to extend our sympathy to the Mattox family in the loss of their father and husband, Mr. Sam Mattox.

ALL TIME HIGH FOR ANNUAL SALES

SOPHOMORE-SR.

The sophomore-Senior came off with a bang in the Gym Thursday night, February 9, with a real valentine party. Throwing darts for partners, writing love letters, a honeymoon trip and a barn dance. Last but not least in the line of games was the crowning of the "Queen of Hearts."

Who was to receive this honor was determined by vote of the twelfth grade boys. The lucky miss was Lunette Hall, who was crowned by Mrs. Estelle Hinnant.

After this, refreshments, acknowledging the Valentine theme, were served in the Home Economics room.

To top off a wonderful evening, square dancing took the spotlight. Carl Mills, a former member of the sophomore class, called the sets.

The sophomores were very pleased that so many attended. From the many happy smiles and fond "good nights" they are sure everyone had a good time.

2-CENTS A CHEW

The penalty for chewing gum in Miss Hinnant's class is two cents each time pupils are caught. This money goes for the March of Dimes. This semester they raised seven dollars.

WITH THE JUNIOR RED CROSS

JRC members in Richland county have done a fine job in the gift box and fund campaign. The total number of boxes the Richland County schools have filled is 1200.

The February meeting of the Richland County JRC Council was held Saturday, February 4 at the summer home of Miss Martha Hancock on Lake Murray. Miss Hancock is chairman of JRC activities in Richland County. Betty Andrews and Joe Taylor represented Blythewood.

At the meeting, the council members were shown movies on Red Cross work. They have planned a weiner roast for the underprivileged children at Erwin Park in Columbia on February 22 as their project for February.

Each Saturday morning, a group of Juniors will help in the Red Cross office in the Cornell Arms building.

GRADE IV

Some members of the fourth grade will sing in the music recital on Feb. 14. Claudie Joe Dyches will tap dance.

They are also enjoying their music classes on Wednesday and Friday under the direction of Mrs. Hoffman.

Sales for the 1949-'50 Blythe-Spirit have reached an all time peak of 120. The total number of annuals sold last year was 100.

The twelfth grade led the grades by purchasing 23 annuals. The first grade is in second place. The first grade lads and lassies purchased 11 annuals.

The individual star purchaser was Mr. W. C. Rorer who bought five annuals.

The Senior Class wishes to express its appreciation to each person who purchased an annual.

SYMPATHY

Our school and our community were deeply shocked last December 15 by an unfortunate accident that took the life of one of our students, James Mattox.

James was active in many activities at school, a boy of high moral and christian standards. He was the kind of fellow that if you knew him, you had to like him and, truthfully, we all knew him.

The faculty and student body extend an honest message of sympathy to his family.

Tho' they had never met B4
What cause had she
2 care
She loved him 10erly
because
He was a 10,000,000
aire

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TAKE IT

THE WAY IT'S CALLED

There will be times in our
lives when all of us will be on
the receiving end of a "bad call,"
but we'll have to take it the way
the referee calls it.

At times it will be wholly our
fault if what we work for or what
we long for is not a complete
success and then again, we may
exert all our efforts towards the
accomplishment of one big dream or
maybe sweat our hearts out to do
something that we have long wanted
to do; say, maybe, a trip to Can-
ada or that new car you are sure

you can afford, then your last foul
is called, and you're out of the
game— no trip, no car.

The duty of the refer is to call
it the way he sees it, he saw that
the trip to Canada, the new car
weren't meant for you. The real
sport takes it the way he calls
it.

In our basketball playing as in
our lives, we are going to receive
some "bad calls", but nine times,
out of ten we are going to find
that we made that foul or that
we were in the 3-second lane too
long.

We know that we have had a few
"bad calls" this season in our
playing, but don't we all make
mistakes? Let's take it the way
the ref calls it and when a team-
mate throws a wild pass or is
caught napping, let's give him
spirit by giving him a word of
confidence and by reminding him
that we have a game to win.

Remember, we all may fall many
times in life, but we're not a
failure until we start saying that
someone is pushing us.

WOE IS HISTORY

History, history!

Oh, my gee!

How this history

Has got me!

I study and study

But where do I get?

At one fifty-five

I'm studying yet.

Then comes my question-

Perhaps it's a date-

I should've studied that one

But I reckon it's too late.

(Same poem, next verse; Could be
better, but it's gonna be worse.)

I look back at Hellen

Expecting a hint,

Then Miss Lula sees me

and a zero is sent.

The six weeks are over

And all I have left

Is one "D" minus

And the other a F.

Mildred Walker

NEW BOOKS ADDED

At the end of the first semester the school library received a number of books from the Richland County Public Library.

The county library took from the school a selection of the most read books and left quite a few different ones in their places, the majority being fiction and a few of them are best sellers.

The new books should be interesting to all grades, and it is hoped that everybody will use them. It is surprising how little the library is used by the high school students, except for a place to read the paper. The lower grades use the library considerably more than the high school.

The library also has ten sets of reference books, in which one can find almost anything he wants to know. There are a few teachers magazines for helpful hints, included are The Grade Teacher and The Instruction. For everybody there are other magazines, such as, Life, which brings one up to date every week with pictures and stories of world happenings. For the boys especially is The Open Road, which is a very interesting magazine, and for the girls

there is Whats New in Home Economics. The daily paper is also in the library.

The library also contains a well equipped medicine cabinet.

The library is a rather interesting place and with expansion coming up it should be more interesting.

Mrs. Hinnant is available in the library every day from 10:15 A.M. until 1:55 and she will be very glad to assist anyone in selecting a good book.

GRADE I

The first grade has increased its number by two, Barbara and Jack Tatum have come from the Columbia schools to join the rank. They are very nice pupils.

Mrs. P. B. Gear, assisted by her mother Mrs. Vickers gave the first grade a lovely party January 4th, in the first grade room. They served ice cream, candy and cookies. Tommy passed around red, blue, yellow and green balloons to each child present. The valentine decorations were used.

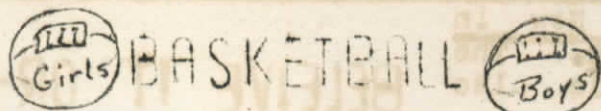
The first graders are interested in valentine box which Mrs. Grimsley brought them. They are also learning something about George Washington. They have made some hatchets from colored paper.

Most of the pupils are enjoying reading in the new book, "Fun with Dick and Jane."

BELEIVE IT OR-

not, but it seems that Betty C. and Ellen B. like going to shows on rainy nights and especially the stop at "Seawells and the boys afterwards... Edith and Eloise how do you like your rough competition Jacqueline R. do you go to Eau Claire these days or is it Carl???? Ann Taylor seems to be interested in the ninth grade. Could it be Robert and Thomas?? George Mattox seems to be the high spot in 8A, is it so Frances N., Evelyn H. and Margaret Rimer???? Gordon Hill seems to haul a crush on Catherine Davis these days. Mildred you certainly are popular in Blythewood these days. Betty R. did you have any competition last week. We wonder if Evie Lee S. and Willie Mae Hood are really engaged???? Alma how is the long distance calls these days?? Lillian what is the definition of "Crow"?? Minnie Bell seems to be sad since J.B. Bishop moved away. Cheer up M.B., you'll find another.

LET'S SUPPORT our basketball teams at the games in person and voice, and cheerleaders can't do all the cheering; they surely will need each of our help.



The Blythewood girls haven't had a very successful season so far, but they are still working hard to make the remainder of the season a good one. The girls have a record of 5 wins, 8 losses and 1 tie. The games and scores are:

Blythewood	26:	Blackstock	36
Blythewood	35:	Greenbrier	39
Blythewood	23:	University Hi	18
Blythewood	33:	Monticello	36
Blythewood	41:	Dentsville	14
Blythewood	34:	Irmo	18
Blythewood	50:	Dentsville	22
Blythewood	22:	Greenbrier	43
Blythewood	11:	Monticello	16
Blythewood	25:	Irmo	25
Blythewood	22:	Blackstock	28
Blythewood	25:	University Hi	31
Blythewood	25:	Lower Richland	43
Blythewood	40:	Jenkinsville	32

This season has seen the Hurricanes play some good basketball but it also has shown how rugged a ball club can get. The Hurricanes' record is 10-4 as of now. They are looking to the remainder of the season for success through hard work-outs and earnest efforts.

The scorebook, for the 14 games played this season, shows:

Blythewood	40:	Blackstock	25
Blythewood	32:	Greenbrier	30
Blythewood	35:	Monticello	23
Blythewood	28:	University	61
Blythewood	57:	Dentsville	26
Blythewood	41:	Irmo	40
Blythewood	51:	Dentsville	30
Blythewood	40:	Greenbrier	35
Blythewood	37:	Monticello	21
Blythewood	45:	Irmo	39
Blythewood	55:	Blackstock	36
Blythewood	40:	University	83
Blythewood	42:	Lower Richland	53
Blythewood	26:	Jenkinsville	50

CORNEY CHEMICAL MEANINGS

1-MATTER (occupies space and has weight) Richard Moak.

2-STATES OF MATTER:

Solid--Thomas Burton

Liquid--Edward Taylor

Gas-----Harold Boney

3-DENSITY (weight) Minnie Bell Trapp.

4-CRYSTALLINE (substance which exists naturally in definite shapes) Alma Rae Lomas.

5-AMORPHOUS (substance not grouped together in the form of crystals) Pati Edmonds.

6-CONDUCTOR of HEAT...Bobby Hall

7-CONDUCTOR of ELECTRICITY..... Bobby Sharpe.

8-CORROSION (tarnishing, rusting) Frank Riley.

9-ELEMENT (simple substance containing "one kind of matter") Billy Burton.

10-ATOM (smallest particles of elements) Shirley Blair.

11-KINETIC THEORY (molecules are in a state of constant change) Peggy Nelson.

12-ENERGY (ability to do work) Bobby Windhorn.

13-KINETIC ENERGY (matter in motion) Harold Wessinger.

14-HYDROGEN (combustible element) Irene Marsh.

15-SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION (temperature rises and the substance burst into flames) Ellen Branham.

16-SATURATED (contains enough) Robert Sharpe.

17-SUPERSATURATED (contains more than enough) Oneal Smyrl.

18-CATALYST (speeds up or slows down a reaction, without being changed itself) Mr. Rorer.

19-ACETIC ACID (vinegar) Dorothy Entzminger.

20-INERT (complete outside orbit) Annie Laurie Hollis.

21-OXYGEN (combines with almost everything) Shirley Neeland.

22-HYDROCHLORIC ACID HCL (very strong) Edwin Entzminger.

23-COMPOUND (contains two or more elements) Miss Rorer.

24-SOLUTE (dissolved substance) Joe Taylor.

25-SOLUTION (cause of solute being dissolved) Annie Laurie Hollis

TEACHERS GIVE OPINION ON WHAT CONSTITUTES IDEAL STUDENT

What constitutes an ideal student? That is something all students have wondered about at sometime or other, so we decided to ask the teachers themselves.

MISS BETHEA: "He is trustworthy, ambitious, and respectful. He also takes correcting like a good sport."

MISS BIGHAM: "He or she who is ambitious, conscientious, virtuous, free from prejudice, conceit, envy, possesses a sense of humor and reveals an interest in his or her fellow-beings."

MRS. DANGLER: "Cheerful, courteous, obedient and tries to do his work to the best of his ability."

MRS. DAVIS: "I think the ideal student is one who has a good disposition, works well with others, is interested, eager to learn, polite, studies hard, cheerful, accepts corrections cheerfully, accepts responsibility and is not too loud."

MRS. GARNER: "Reliable. He or she does not have to be reminded to get work done on time, or to meet classes or other appointments on time. Reliability ties in with so many of the other fine traits of character."

MRS. HAGOOD: "The individual is joyous in his learning and happy in school."

MR. HARRELL: "Willing to work, has the ability to learn, is conscientious, a pleasing personality and is considerate of others."

MRS. HINNANT: "One who is average in his scholastic work and in his social and emotional life. We might call him the 'well-rounded' student."

MISS HINNANT: "An ideal pupil is one who takes advantage of every opportunity offered him at home and at school. He will always co-operate with those in authority and will try at all times to do his best. He may fail sometimes but never gives up."

MRS. HOFFMAN: "Good scholarship, co-operative, happy in work, pleasing personality, liked by classmates as well as teachers."

MRS. LANTER: "Soft-spoken, calm clean and conspicuous only by the efficiency of his work and habits."

MRS. RILEY: "My ideal pupil is one who will use discretion in making a choice of patterns to copy and of goals to attain. Will value his time and

budget it to meet his needs. His consideration for others, his awareness of a situation to be improved will keep him alert and active."

MISS RORER: "My ideal pupil is one who is honest, courteous and dependable; man enough to say, 'I am wrong,' when he is wrong."

MR. RORER: "An ideal pupil is one who can put up with all the eccentricities of his many teachers and yet hold a happy attitude towards life."

MRS. SMITH: "He possesses an alert mind, and a willing attitude towards work and play."

MRS. WILSON: "He is honest, dependable, sincere and cheerful in his work and play."

MR. WILSON: "Follows instructions, attentive, obedient and co-operative."

MRS. ZEAGLER: "One who is dependable, courteous and co-operative, with enough intellectual curiosity to find out about things he doesn't know."

HERE'S TO YOU!

To MR. and MRS. HARRY WILSON, of the faculty, who were married in December--BLYTHE-WORDS says: "BEST WISHES AND CONGRATULATIONS!"

FIRST CASE-SUCCESS

Joe Taylor

Eight years can be a long time, but not long when you have a force behind you driving you to that end for which you have long sought, that end that has been so long the utmost desire of your heart and soul. I had that force driving me those eight years of medical school, compelling me to fight on for the thing I most wanted, until the day I could reach out with pride and grip the scroll that would make me a servant of my people. Yes, I would be Ronald Chapman, MD. I would have that comforting satisfaction of living in my work so that others might live. Me, just a plain man with a desire to benefit mankind, whether fortunate or unfortunate.

On the night of my school's commencement, the heavens seemed to have opened in all their fury with torrents of rain echoing with thunder and crackling lightning, seemingly to signify the need of men of medicine in a torn and troubled world.

I stepped out into the troubled night and made my way hurriedly to the assembly hall where the exercises were scheduled to be held. I was one of thirty-nine students

receiving their degrees in medicine that night and I did so with a feeling of anticipation mingled with a faint uneasiness of how my beginning of practice would be but the sensation of my being able to hang my shingle in front of my own office wiped out all feeling of unrest.

Next morning found me on my way to my hometown to greet my father with the foundation of an honorable established profession that would make him proud. I had long awaited this meeting with Dad, the ambitious kid who had worked his way through medical school.

Our meeting wasn't as dramatic and pleasing as I had anticipated. I was met at the door by a neighbor, Sid Hascal, who led me into a room where I was greeted by the sight of my father lying on a bed writhing in agony and pain and groaning in delirium. Bewildered and schocked Sid informed me that Dad had been thrown and trampled by one of his horses only a few minutes prior to my arrival.

It seemed that Dad would be my first patient, there being no other doctor near. I bent over him to exam-

ine his trampled body and, stunned by the sudden knowledge of what I had to do--I thought of all the years I had spent in preparation for this--to take my dad's arm from him. His left arm was trampled beyond recognition, it had to be removed, beyond question. I hesitated, then I remembered the line from my oath which read, "I will follow that method of treatment which, according to my ability and judgement, I consider for the benefit of my patients."

I fell to work with the tools and help that I had. Our neighbor was willing to help and after sterilizing the instruments and containers, I began a task I would long remember. After long minutes the job was finished. I gave Dad a hypo and he lay quiet.

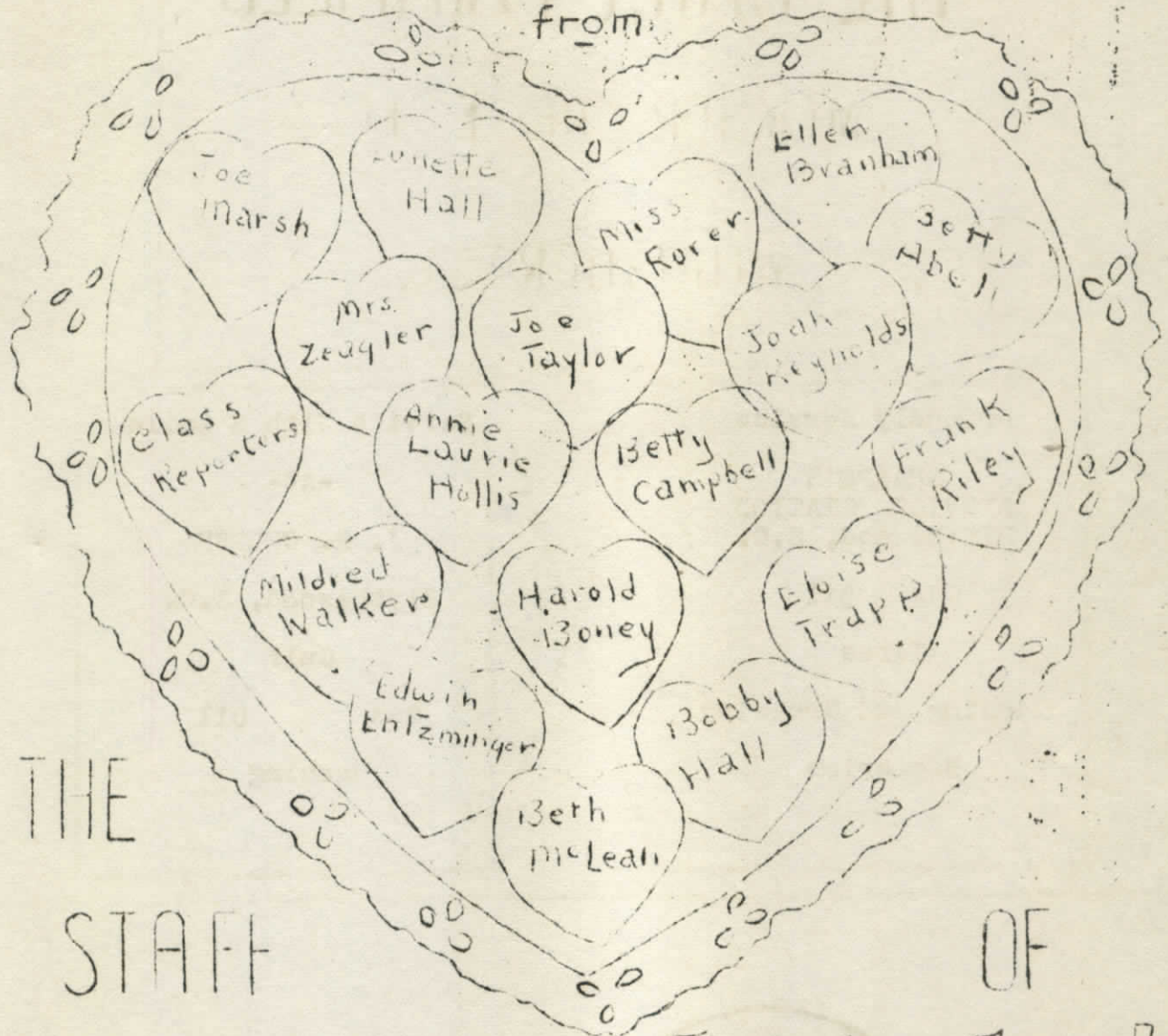
Now, after seven weeks, Dad is able to sit with me on the porch in the evenings and talk of all the things that happened before I left, and things that happened while I was away, trivial things, but important to him, and me.

With Dad's recovery, I now have something to build the rest of my entire career on. Happy in the knowledge of giving Dad, my first case, the medical care that he needed to stay alive, and well.

Dr. Chapman's first case--Success.

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