

# *Blythe-Words*

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Class of 1954/1955







# Blythe - Words

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## Brown To Head Paper Staff

Maxine Brown, a member of the senior class, will be editor of Blythe-Words for this year.

She is a member of the Beta Club, Future Teachers of America Association, the Glee Club, and the Future Business Leaders of America.

Staff members to serve with her are Editor--Maxine Brown; Assistant Editor--Clarice Lever; Literary Editor--Ruth Hawley; Assistant Literary Editor--Dorothy Paschal; Art Editors--Roberta Frick, and Lula Mae Loner; Business Managers--Curtis Branham and Margaret Boatwright; Sports Editors--Girls--Louise Swygert, Column--Thomas Neil McLean; Boys---Butch Ross; Feature Editor--Ann Smyrl; Exchange Editor--Angela Fulmer; Circulation--Maedell Moore and Elsie Legrand; Reporters--Ann Frick, Peggy Mattox, Martha Jean Finley, Melba Wise, and Ann Newton and Sponsors--Mrs. Zeagler and Miss Rorer.

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## Louise Swygert Elected Beta President

Louise Swygert was elected president of the Beta Club at a meeting held September 9. The other officers are Clarice Lever, vice-president; Ruth Hawley, secretary and treasurer, and Curtis Branham, reporter.

Anne M. Rorer, the sponsor, said the Beta Club may have a one-act play in order to make money to go to the convention. The club may promote a clean-up campaign this year, too.

There are presently nine members in the Beta Club, but some new ones will be eligible this year.

## OFF TO A GOOD START

Four hundred fifteen students were enrolled in Blythewood School, September 1. Of this number 38 first graders are new in the game of school.

Six new teachers have joined our staff.

To the new teachers and students Blythe-Words extends it's welcome.

## A New BLYTHE-SPIRIT Staff Announced

Louise Swygert has been elected editor-in-chief of the yearbook, Blythe-Spirit, for the 1954-55 session.

Louise is a senior and is president of the Beta Club, district secretary of Future Business Leaders of America, a member of the Junior Homemakers Association and Future Teachers' Club. Last year she was vice-president of the Beta Club, secretary of her class, and a representative to Palmetto Girl's State. She is also a member of the basketball team at school.

Bobby Wooten was elected Assistant Editor; Ann Smyrl, Business Manager; Maedell Moore, Assistant Business Manager; Rebecca Bass, Production Manager; Margaret Boatwright, Assistant Production Manager; Roberta Frick, Art Editor; Baynard Rodgers, Assistant Art Editor; Ruth Hawley, Publicity Manager; Ann Newton is Assistant Publicity Manager; Sylvia Map-

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## THANK YOU, TRUSTEES!

It is not often that we in our rush of everyday living stop and pay tribute to the friends of our school, the school board members. They work tirelessly and unceasingly for the good of our school. They attend meetings late and often; they receive unjust criticism. For all of the hours spent in carrying on the work of the school, they receive no pay.

The staff of Blythe-Words extends to them a hearty "thank you" for the job they have done and are doing.

## Lunch Period

Our present lunch period is from 12:40 until 1:05. During this period approximately 100 persons are served. This period is very short, especially, for those served last. It also rushes the cafeteria workers to serve these students in this period of time.

As a result of this short lunch period, students might be late for the fifth period classes, some may develop indigestion by rushing through the meal, and some might want to buy ice cream and not have time. What can be done to solve this problem?

Since the second period is five minutes longer than the other periods, the first solution would be to shorten the second period five minutes and lengthen the lunch period five minutes. If this could not be arranged, the second suggested solution would be to lessen the activity period five minutes and lengthen the lunch period.

Even if the periods remain as they are at the present time, we would suggest that all students go immediately to the home room when the lunch bell rings and then go quickly to the cafeteria. That would help the situation greatly.

## Something Missing In The Cafeteria?

As the students go over to the cafeteria there seems to be something missing. Yes, it is the face of Margret K. Griffin, who has been a faithful worker in our school cafeteria for the past four years. She is now the supervisor of the cafeteria at the Bethel Colored School. Margaret, we wish you much success in your work.

We are glad to have Mrs. Polly M. Raines working in our cafeteria. She is filling the place of Mrs. Annie Mae Moore, who was a diligent worker.

We owe recognition to the other steadfast workers who are Mrs. Mamie Cooper, Mrs. Clara Martin, and Mrs. Sally Allen.



## BOY SCOUTS RECEIVE CHARTER

"On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the scout law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong mentally and awake, and morally straight," so declared, twenty-six boy scouts of Troop 328 as they received their charter September 8th at a Parent Teachers Association.

Blythewood has just organized a Boy Scout Troop under the leadership of C. D. Newman, Scoutmaster; Furman Hall, Assistant Scoutmaster; Charles Lovett, also Assistant Scoutmaster; H.E. Reynolds, Institutional Representative; Ernest Raines, Committeeman; Howard Wilson, Committeeman; W.A. Hutchinson Committeeman; Edward B. Cooper, Committeeman; Clyde Branham, Committeeman; and Sam Albert, Chairman of the Committee.

The boys receiving certificates presented by Lieutenant Wilson, a scoutmaster from Fort Jackson were as follows; James Mattox, Thomas Rimer, Pete Boney, Elbert Hollis, Melton Roof, Charlie Newman, Franklin Hall, Billy Raines, David Allen, Ray Sharpe, Pat Henderson, John Henry

Rimer, Raymond Fulmer, John Swygert, Edward Cooper, Franklin Branham, Quitman Hawley, Kenneth McLean, Tracy Poston, Paul Henderson Frank Riggs, William Hutchinson, Jim McLean, and Jim Raines.

The Boy Scout Troop is a P.T.A. Project.

## Warning to Hospital Visitors

"People who visit hospital patients can certainly be thoughtless", so says Florence Poole in speaking of her recent stay in the Baptist Hospital.

Mrs. Poole was speaking of a visitor who comforted her by saying that her husband had had phlebitis, the same as Mrs. Poole, and after ten years of suffering had finally passed away.

Mrs. Poole entered the hospital on June 17, for a major operation and came out on June 28. She was out for about a month and on July 20, she returned with a case of phlebitis. She came out on August 9, but was not able to do much work.

Lellan J. Smith, a former high school teacher of Blythewood, taught the fifth grade the first two weeks of school.

The pupils of the fifth grade enjoyed Mrs. Smith's teaching, but they are also glad Mrs. Poole is able to be back.

## CONCERNING GIRLS STATE

Louise Swygert and Maxine Brown attended Palmetto Girls' State June 8-13 at the University of South Carolina. Girls' State is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and is designed to teach high school students more about democracy and American Government.

The Girl Stater were divided into Democratic and Republican parties. They elected the governor and Lieutenant - governor and all the officers of Girls' State just as the officers of South Carolina are elected. The senators and representatives held session in the state capitol.

During the week the girls felt very important when they had the former Governor Strother Thurmond, W.D. Workman Jr., Martha Thomas Fitzgerald, several attorneys at law, and a lot of well known persons talked to them.

After a week's work the girls enjoyed reception at the Woodrow Wilson Home and a dance at the Elks Club Patio.

On Sunday the girls had charge of the Sunday morning worship service at the Veterans' Hospital.

The week was well planned and thoroughly enjoyed.



## Blythewood J H A Lives Up To Motto "A Live Wire Never Gets Stepped On"

The Junior Homemakers Association of Blythewood has really been living up to it's motto, "A live wire never gets stepped on". They have had meetings, picnics, attended camp, and became salesmen.

They had a called meeting on July 20. Fourteen members were present. After the meeting, they had a picnic consisting of cookies, sandwiches, and drinks. Then five members; Margaret Walker, Sylvia Maples, Peggy Blume, Martha Jean Finley, and Meritta Gardner went to Columbia with Mrs. Pusser to take orders for Christmas cards.

In addition to this, eleven homemakers left for a week of camping, August 24-29, at Mountain Rest. They were accompanied by their new teacher, Mrs. Miriam Pusser, a chaperon, Miss Francis Brown, and two bus drivers, Donnie Ful-

mer and Charles Lovett. The camp activities consisted of swimming, skating, hiking, making arts and crafts, and attending a square dance at Oconee State Park.

Eleven new members were initiated into the Junior Homemakers Association, September 13, at recess. They are as follows: Katherine Branham, Jewel Johnston, Barbara Fulmer, Shirley Peake, Rebecca Brown, Sandra Newton, Cynthia Riggs, Barbara Jones, Dorothy Mattox, Natlee Peake, and Claudia Jo Dyches.

The J. H. A. officers are: President, Clarice Lever; Vice president is Peggy Blume; Secretary, Peggy Mattox; Treasurer, Lula Mae Loner; and Reporter, Martha Jean Finley.

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## Home Economics Department Gets New Equipment

The Blythewood home economic class is very proud to have new equipment for the home economic room. This equipment consists of a drop-leaf Morganton table, a General Electric stove and cabinets, new text books, three special serving tables, a dinette set, and two sets of china. The total cost was around \$800.00.

The basketball players will not have to use the home economic room during the games this year. Tom Branham, C.D. Wilson and R.W. Harrell built a cover over the porch leading from the gymnasium to the home economic room, so that the players may use this exit to the dressing room.

## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION TO SPONSOR PROGRAM

An Athletic Association has been organized at school this year. This association has plans to raise funds for athletic equipment and for improvement of the ball field. At present, they are selling ice cream in the lunch room; Mrs. H. M. Wilson is in charge of this selling. They also have plans to sell at the ball games.

On October 1, the association will feature the W I S Hired Hands. On hand will be Snuffy, Ira, Lacy, Billy, and Ned. The admission will be twenty-five and fifty cents. The public is invited.

## BLYTHE-WORDS STAFF

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Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor is faculty advisor.

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## BLYTHEWOOD WELCOMES SIX NEW TEACHERS

Lucille E. Fletcher, a new member of the Blythewood Faculty, has been slightly acquainted with Blythewood in the past. Her brother-in-law, the Rev. Joe Derrick, was the Lutheran minister in this town some years ago. Mrs. Fletcher attended Carolina her freshman year and is a graduate of Newberry College. She moved to Alabama for fifteen years where she taught public school music for five years. She came back to South Carolina and taught 11th. and 12th. grade English at St. George and Beaufort. Mrs. Fletcher's husband has just gotten out of the service and is now

attending school. They have two children, who attend Brookland-Cayce No. 3. Their little boy is in the third grade the little girl in the first.

Mrs. Fletcher especially likes fishing and swimming and does paintings by numbers as a hobby. When Mrs. Fletcher was asked what her dislikes are she said, "Nothing in particular". Her home town is Parr, which is approximately twenty-five miles north of Columbia.

Frances B. Ward is the new 4th grade teacher. She is a graduate of Columbia College. Last year she taught at Ridgeway.

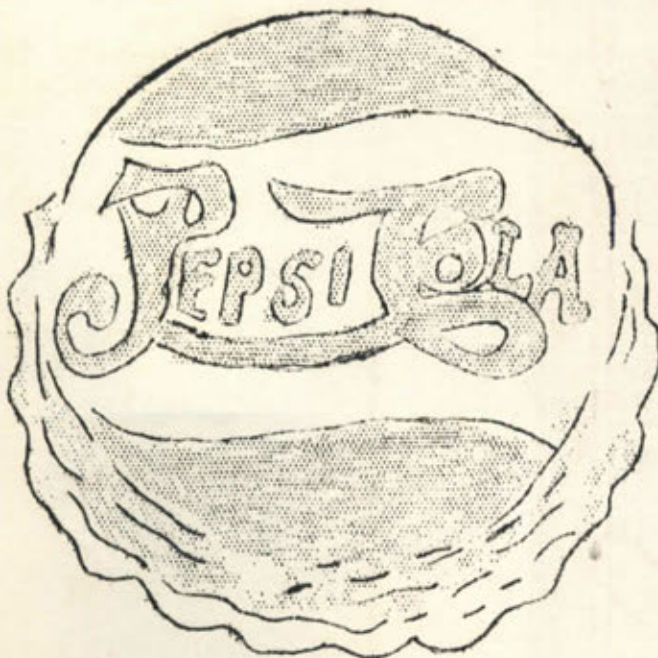
She has two boys, one three years old, and one three months old. Her home town is Scotia, South Carolina. Mrs. Ward enjoys reading and as for her dislikes, she said, "I can't say I really have any".

Helen Milling Smoak, Blythewood's new mathematics teacher, says the student body here is the most "Cooperative and interesting with which I have come in contact."

Mrs. Smoak's home is 4432 Erskine Street, Columbia. She attended Winthrop College; this is her third year of teaching. She takes much interest in buying materials.

Her husband works in the Comptrollers Office at Fort Jackson.

Her classroom is open to the parents, and she would like very



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much to meet them.

Docia B. Woods, first grade teacher, says that Blythewood, is one of the nicest schools in which she has taught. The spirit is good and the attitude of the students, teachers, and parents is commendable.

Mrs. Woods now lives in Columbia, but she is from Kentucky. She attended the University of Kentucky.

She has seven years of teaching experience and has taught in Kentucky.

Her husband is a Professor at the University of South Carolina.

Mrs. Woods hobbies are reading and newspaper writing.

Ruth B. King, another first grade teacher, is from Columbia.

She is a graduate of Winthrop College.

She has taught in

several schools but the most recent school is Blaney. She has had thirteen years teaching experience.

Mrs. King's hobbies are swimming and teaching.

Miriam Pusser, Blythewood's new Home Economic's teacher, says, "Blythewood is a gem among schools. The faculty, students, and all those in authority have been most helpful and cooperative."

Mrs. Pusser's hometown is Chesterfield but she is now living in Columbia. She attended Winthrop College and has been teaching four years. The school in which she last taught was Bennettsville.

She takes a special interest in homemaking, dramatics, Aviation, and church activities.

Her husband is owner

and operator of a service station.

## Bus Drivers Elected

Blythewood High bus drivers have been elected for the new 1954-55 school year. For the fourth year students will drive the buses.

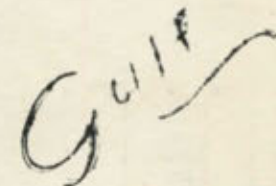
The drivers are Gwendolyn Lovett, William Sharpe, Furman Mattox, Howard Peake, Bobby Wooten, and Willard Jones.

Curtis Branham, Jacquelyn Lovett, Louise Swygert, Jan Wingard, Ruth Hawley, and Clyde Blume will serve as substitute drivers.

Blythewood School is proud to announce that there have been no accidents reported so far. We are sure these drivers will continue to keep it that way.

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## Glossary

Atom—Mr. Harrell (The smallest part of an element that can exist)

Molecule—Lillie Mae Hagood, Joyce Ann Walker, Lola Mae McKay (Two or more atoms united by a chemical change.)

Mixture—Norma Jean Newman and Robert Trapp (Two or more elements which can retain their energy and can be separated.)

Matter—Ray Keith (Anything which has weight and occupies space.)

Compound—Kay Wilson and Claudia Cooper or Margaret Walker and Tony Bunch (Two or more elements which cannot easily be separated.)

Element—Curtis Marsh (A substance made of only one kind of atom.)

Potential Energy—Vernon Jones (Stored up energy.)

Kinetic Energy—Barbara Fulmer (Moving energy.)

Organic—Thomas McLean (Comes from something which never lived.)

Enzyme—Raymond Fulmer—(acts on food.)

Catalyst—Mr. Rorer (Speeds up or slows down reaction without being changed itself.)

Cell—Mrs. Taylor (Something which has thickness as well as length and breadth.)

A Microscopic Organism—Billy Starnes (Plant or animal which cannot be seen {should not} with a naked eye.)

Organ "Bus Driver" Jones (group of tissues that does a particular work.)

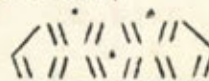
Tissue—Miss Rorer, Mrs. Smoak, Mrs. Pusser, Mrs. Zeagler and Mrs. Hinnant (group of cells that do the same work.)

Protoplasm—Quitman Hawley (Cell sap.)

Energy—Howard Peake (Ability to do work.)

Chemist—Melvin Bass (One who works with chemicals.)

Atomic Energy—Doug Broom (Energy stored in atoms.)



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This year, for the first time in nearly a decade, football was offered to Blythewood students. Because of nearly a score of difficulties and misunderstandings, no one has taken full advantage of the program.

If this program is to be successful next year and in the coming years, the school officials must decide on some satisfactory transportation method, and the boys must receive more enthusiastic backing.

A large number of the parents were afraid of their children's playing because of the fear of an injury. There is little chance for the players to be injured, however, because of the fine quality of protective equipment; all players, too, are insured against any injury.

A surprising number of the boys were afraid to go because they thought they would be treated as outsiders. However, the three local students who played there the first of the season, despite being in the minority, were received 100 per cent by Dentville players, coaches, school officials and the Dentville fans.

It is reasonably certain that the transportation problem will be worked out by next season. All boys between the seventh and twelfth grades, big or little, who are able and can possibly do so should go out for football next season.

Coach Wilson says basketball practice will begin on a full scale November 1. About 25 boys are expected out for practice.

The squad lost Robert Blume, Frank Easler, Jimmy Coutsos, and Melvin Abell from last year's successful team and will be inexperienced at all positions except at the pivot where last year's lone returning regular Howard Peake is back. Coach Wilson says all positions are open.

Two new students Robert Byars and Billy Starnes may be of some help to the basketball team this winter.

Howard Peake is busy trying to gain a few extra pounds before basketball season starts.

Furman Mattox is hoping his leg will be healed by the time practice starts.

## GIRL'S SPORTS

As the weeks go by, the same old enthusiasm is rising in sports lovers for the most favorite sport of all, which is basketball. Coach H. M. Wilson says that regular practices will begin about the first of October. Many of the girls have already begun practicing during their activity period, thus showing their determination for a victorious season this year.

Two of the members of the team, Evelyn Hall and Margaret Rimer, graduated last year. The presence of these two outstanding players will be missed. The five remaining forwards Jacquelyn Lovett, Gwendolyn Lovett, Peggy Mattox, Betty Trapp, and Ann Frick. The guards, Angela Fulmer, Peggy Blume, Lenora Abell, Kay Wilson, Elizabeth Riggs, and Louise Swygert will be on the defensive.

Six freshmen plan to join the team this year. They are Claudia Jo Dyches, Barbara Fulmer, Jewel Johnson, Cynthia Riggs, Dorothy Mattox, and Sandra Newton. These new players will help in making this basketball season the most successful ever.



## Some New Students Air Opinions

The different opinions of Blythewood School vary from "good looking girls" to "nice school and faculty". Here are the opinions as expressed by pupils entering school here for the first time.

Sue Ellen McVey, Grade 7, who attended Dentsville School last year, says, "I like Blythewood better than any other school I have ever been; I have more fun here."

Judy Woods, Grade 8, who attended Hand Jr. High School last year, says, "I think Blythewood School is very nice and I think I will enjoy coming here to school this year."

Robert Byars, Grade 11, formerly from Pahokee High, at Pahokee, Florida, says, "I like the school and faculty

very much and plan to attend school here next year. It is a lot better school than some to which I have gone."

Billy Starnes, Grade 11, who attended the Eau Claire High School last year, says, "I enjoy coming to Blythewood very much and I plan to come here next year—that is, if all the good-looking girls are still here."

T. Baynard Rodgers, Grade 12, attended Eau Claire High last year, says, "I like Blythewood School very much as a school. I think the students and the teachers are very nice or have acted very nice toward me. I hope to graduate in June."

## BROWN HEADS PAPER

(From page 1, Col. 1)

Blythe-Words has won a first place rating in the Columbia Press Association for the past three years.

## SCHOOL BAND BECOMES A REALITY

Blythewood has dreamed of having a school band for quite a while. At last this dream has come true. Mr. Sam Cantrell from Columbia is instructing the band which consists of around 25 pupils from Blythewood and about the same number from Dentsville.

Mr. Cantrell says that the students are showing great interest in playing for the band although many of them do not have instruments yet. He is practicing on Wednesday's, Thursday's and Friday's with Dentsville and on Monday's and Tuesday's with Blythewood.

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# Last Year's Seniors

I know you all are interested in knowing what last year's seniors are doing this year. It appears that most all of these are putting their learning to use.

Melvin Abell is employed at Gibbs Manufacturing Company; Robert Blume is working at Capital city Manufacturing Company; June Broom is attending Bob Jones University; Shirley Campbell is working with the Highway Department; Jimmy Coutsos is employed at Colonial Stores; Frank Easler is working for Huckabee; John Boyd Frick is a filing clerk for Southern Bell Telephone Company; Evelyn Hall has two jobs. During the week

she works at the Stone Manufacturing Company and on Saturday's at Harvey's in Blythewood; Frank Maples is working for the Sheet Metal Company; Martha Miles is not working but plans to marry a boy from Blythewood. Shirley Miles and Evelyn Nelson are waitresses at Eckerd's.

And, Margaret Rimer has been ill all summer which has delayed her from getting a job; Betty Shannon is employed at the Carolina Life Insurance Company; Shelby Stockman is attending Columbia Business School; Edward Taylor is working at Belk's and Emma Jo Wise does not have a job at present.

KEEP THEM SAFE



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SOMETHING NEW  
AT BLYTHEWOOD

This really did happen in Beginners Shorthand Class, the second day of school.

Angela Fulmer: Looking gloomily at shorthand assignment, "Mrs. Zeagler, my shorthand outlines don't look right to me."

Mrs. Zeagler: "What do you think is wrong with them?"

Angela: "I don't know, unless I wrote them wrong-side-outward."

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# Ann Smyrl Writes About The New Bethel School And Its Principal

Bethel School of Blythewood has one of the most modern school plants in South Carolina — at least the elementary portion, anyway.

In 1936, an ambitious young school teacher, a graduate of Benedict College, Annie Hanberry, came to Bethel. She is still there despite countless hardships which would have forced others to throw out the white flag of surrender. In a community where illiteracy among the colored was overwhelming, this untiring young educator set out to combat a strong tide of ignorance and complacency with little cash backing. Until 1939, there were two teachers and two rooms. The wall was movable so that an "auditorium" could be formed for plays and other events performed by the students. Grades were added in wooden buildings until, in 1953, the high school was approved by the State Department of Education.

Their biggest stride has just been completed. A 10-room elementary building with cafeteria and office was opened to 345 students September first. The last word in equipment was used and the cost

was \$168,230. With the high school included, there are now 20 teachers and 567 students.

"Miss Hanberry", as she is known throughout the school district, has attended the graduate school at Columbia University in New York. She is being initiated into the exclusive Pi Lambda Theta National Honor and Professional Association of Women in Education. The white citizens of Blythewood have attested to the marked improvement in the mental and social development of the colored in this area since 1936. It is likely that this energetic and influential Benedict graduate can be credited with the major share of the improvement of her race in this community.

## CLASSES ELECT

## THEIR OFFICERS

All the high school classes have elected their officers for the 1954-55 year. They are as follows:

SEVENTH GRADE: GIRLS  
President-  
Vice president-

Peggy Kelly  
Secretary & Treasurer-  
Sara Mae Branham  
Patrolwomen- Elizabeth  
Maples, Ann Langford  
BOYS  
President-Billy Raines  
Vice president-  
Horace Peake  
Secretary-Wayne Lovett

### EIGHTH GRADE

President-Hubert Hass  
Vice president-  
Melton Roof  
Secretary & Treasurer-  
James Mattox  
Reporter-Jackie Raines

### NINTH GRADE

President-  
Randolph Frick  
Vice president-  
Claudia Jo Dyches  
Secretary- Bobby Berry  
Treasurer-  
Barbara Jones  
Reporter-Cynthia Riggs

### TENTH GRADE

President-Howard Peake  
Vice president-  
Jimmy Fulmer  
Secretary & Treasurer-  
Charleen Wingard  
Reporter- Kay Wilson

### ELEVENTH GRADE

President-  
Curtis Branham  
Vice president-  
Clarice Lever  
Secretary-  
Lula Mae Loner  
Treasurer-Robert Byars  
Reporter - Ann Frick

### TWELFTH GRADE

President- Albert Ross  
Vice president-  
Bobby Wooten  
Secretary- Jan Wingard  
Treasurer-  
Angela Fulmer  
Reporter-  
Louise Swygert

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# Jimmy and Clyde

- BY CYNTHIA ANN RIGGS



SO HERE'S WHERE THEY ARE



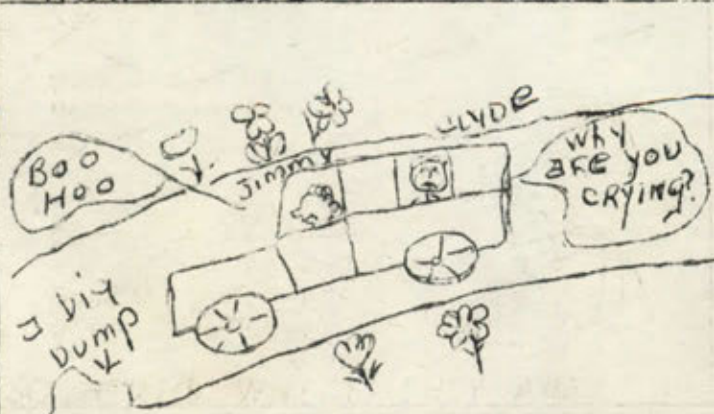
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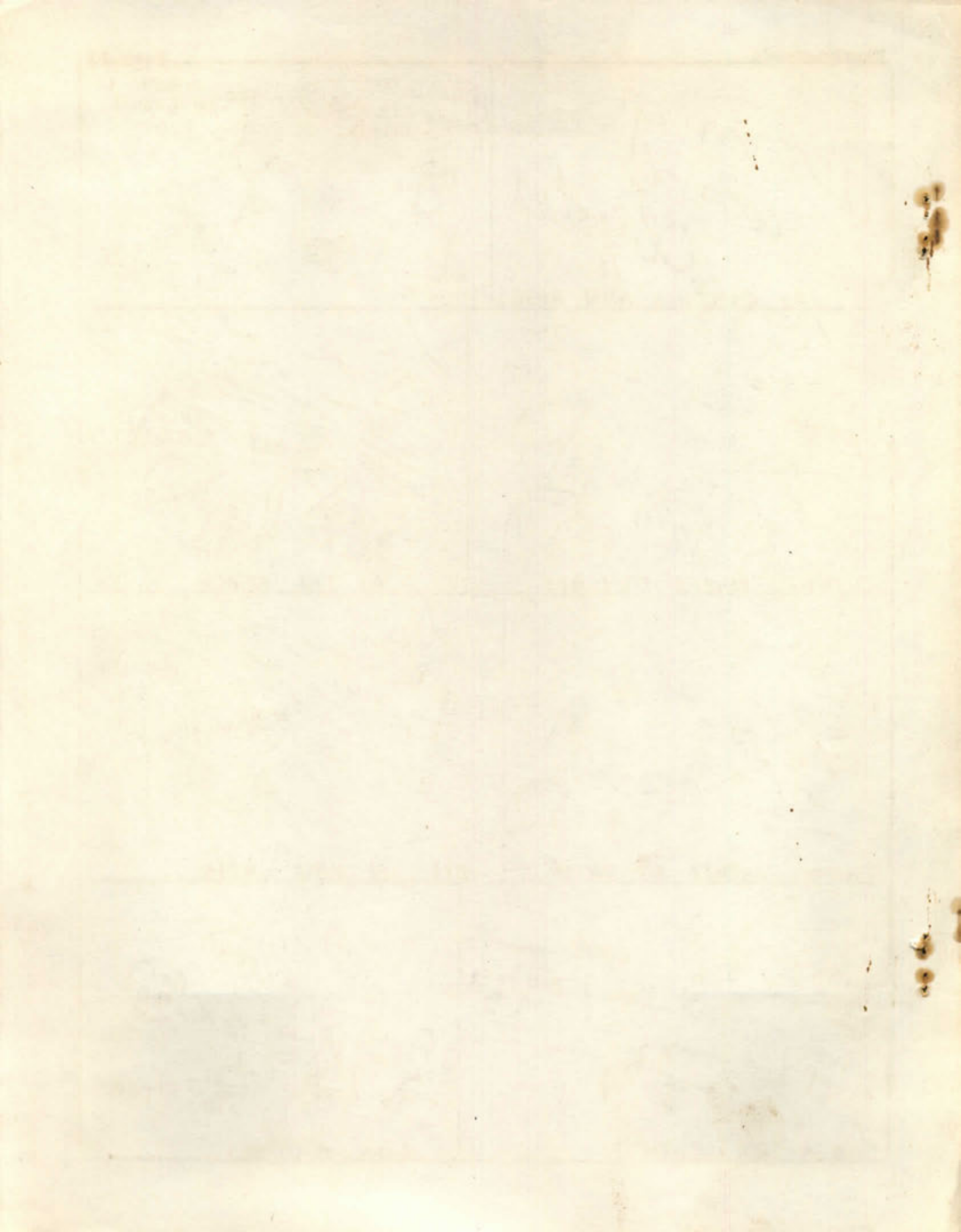


BACK TO SCHOOL



NOW YOU SEE







# Blythe - Words

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## Good Schools Are Your Responsibility

American Education Week is just around the corner. November 7-13.

Through the doorway of this school pass tomorrow's citizens. Beyond this doorway the tomorrow of America is being shaped.

For a tomorrow to be proud of, let's assure every child the finest possible education in the finest schools possible.

Open House will be held on the evening of November 10. You are invited to attend.

## ZEAGLER TO ATTEND ROCK HILL MEETING

The South Carolina Business Education Association will hold its fall meeting at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, on Friday and Saturday of this week. Dr. Allen Lloyd, writer and educator from New York City will be the featured speaker.

Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler local business teacher immediate past president of SCBEA, and a member of the Executive Board, expects to attend this meeting.

## HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL IN THE GYMNASIUM ON FRIDAY NIGHT

### JUNIOR CLASS PROMISES FUN GALORE

The junior class of Blythewood High School is busy working on the Halloween Carnival to be given Friday night in the school gymnasium.

There will be a variety of booths which will include bingo, ball-throwing, a fish pond, house of horrors, for men only, for women only, also milk bottles, and clothes pins, paradise on earth, fortune-telling, kisses, penny-throwing, cake-walk, country store, dart-throwing, ball-throwing at milk bottles, tossing for cigarettes, bobbing for

apoles, throwing at face, corn-guessing, burlesque booth, and a booth for selling candied apples, hot-dogs, drinks, etc.

Thomas Neil McLean will be master of ceremonies to tell what the booths are and where they are located. All of the eleventh grade, with the help of the teachers, will run the booths.

In addition to the carnival, a play, "Un-invited Ghost", will be presented by some of the members of the eleventh grade.

The characters are as follows: Betty, Clarice Lever; Madge, Ann Frick; Bill, Thomas Neil McLean; Rich, Curtis Branham; Nancy, Betty Trapp; Elaine, Martha Jean Finley; Sissie, Peggy Blume; Dorothy Warren, Dorothy Paschal; Jim Elliot, Furman Mattox; Mr. Finch, John Swygert; Hortense Gardner, Meritta Gardner.

The student director is Peggy Mattox.

## ANNOUNCING - HOMECOMING

The first homecoming at Blythewood School will be held January 14.

All former students and teachers will be invited back for the occasion. A public address system will be set up and a beauty queen will be chosen from all the high school students.



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## What is a Student Council?

What is a student council? A student council is a group of qualified high school students who work together to compose rules which would improve their school.

The ideal student council member would be a person who would not, under any circumstances, neglect to perform his duties and yet could appeal to other students without being too domineering.

The sight of a student council member, performing his duty should not provoke other students but help them to realize that the conduct, appearance, and progress of their school depends greatly on its students.

Do we need a student council? "I think our school needs a student council. Unless the school does provide this council the students have no voice in the school regulations. It would help the students to build an intellectual characteristic and learn to assume responsibility. If the students had a direct position in making school rules, they would become more interested in their school." This was Margaret Boatwright's rejoinder.

Others when questioned seemed some what dubious and skeptical of it.

If you would like to express your opinions about this, please write your opinion and put it in the news box, located in the high school hall. Names will be withheld at your request.

## Have You Seen The Newsbox?

Look around you and think of some way to improve your school, then write your suggestion and deposit it in the Blythe-Words news box.

I thank you.

Editor

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I hope that you will welcome suggestions as how we may improve our school.

I have been wishing that we could have a high school lounge because the girls have no mirror or any conveniences whatsoever. We all like to comb our hair and powder our face to look pretty.

Please, Miss Editor, can you help us?

Yours for progress,

*Janece Grimsby*



Editors Note: (It is customary for all girls to primp, but we do need a convenient place in which to do it.

The first suggestion is for each girl to help keep the rest room clean. Then, maybe by some planned method or through contribution we can secure a mirror and other necessities for our use.

Dear Editor;

I have been wondering and would like to know exactly why we at Blythewood have suddenly had our 10:30 activity period cut. My understanding is that it is being done to allow more time for two classes only. Why has the whole high school been deprived of half of its activity period because of two classes? Many teachers have expressed feelings that the old system did not allow enough time for club meetings and other activities. How is this to be remedied? Certainly not by cutting the period in half.

On the other hand, why should two or three classes be given priority over all others by having one-fifth more time in the classroom.

In my judgement this new system is unfair to both the students and also the other teachers.

Let's get behind this thing and either get our old schedule back or at least revise the present one.

Why should the entire high school be deprived of much needed time to benefit just a few? I wonder.

Sincerely,

*Bobby Wooten*

Editors Note:

Recently there was passed a regulation by the State Board of Education that every science period would be one hour in length in order to meet the standard set up for an accredited high school. It is for this reason that this was done.



## Hallowe'en

When the golden sun has vanished  
And the harvest moon appears,  
I feel the spirit of Hallowe'en  
And think of witches and such  
fears.

I hear the hooting of a nearby owl  
As the breezes sway the branches  
I'm keeping my eyes wide open;  
I'm not taking any chances.

The stars begin to twinkle  
And the grass, with dew, is wet;  
The neighbor's dog begins to howl  
He saw a goblin, I'll bet.

All at once, I heard a scream,  
A ghostly creature was there,  
It had crept from the big, oak tree;  
It looked like a snowy-white  
bear.

It crept nearer and nearer  
And rose into the air,  
It kept rising higher and higher  
Until I couldn't see it anywhere.

You may not think my story is true  
You may not believe these things  
Go to the graveyard on Hallowe'en  
night,  
And your mind I am sure you will  
change.

-By Martha Jean Finley



## "Little Tamassee" Workshop Attended By Local Teachers

Jane E. Wilson, Anne M. Rorer, Estelle R. Hinnant, and Sara K. Zeagler represented Blythewood at the, "Little Tamassee" workshop held recently at Brooklyn-Cayce school for teachers of the second Congressional district.

Mrs. Wilson heard a citizenship discussion; Miss Rorer attended a talk on ethics; Mrs. Hinnant led a discussion about the Future Teachers of America, and Mrs. Zeagler was on the program committee.

The meeting was an experimental project of the South Carolina Educational Association to help members of the executive committee understand the work better.

A delicious turkey dinner was served.

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## Mrs. Fitzgerald Speaks To P-TA

Mrs. Martha Thomas Fitzgerald, member of the House of Representatives of Richland County, was guest speaker at the October meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Blythewood. She spoke of possible legislative action concerning juvenile delinquency, raising the driver-age, the local option, and segregation.

Mr. C. D. Wilson, a resident of Blythewood, conducted the devotions. He spoke of the importance of environment, and leadership in the home.

Mrs. H. B. Mclean, president read the committees for this year. She also spoke of and stressed the promotion of the P-T-A Membership Drive. The object of this drive

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is to get more parents interested in joining and becoming a part of the P-T-A. To promote the drive further, a prize of one dollar will be given to the student who is responsible for the most number of parents to join the P-T-A and a prize of five dollars to the class having the most members joining the association. The fifth grade won the attendance award at the October meeting.

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"Snuffy Jenkins"

"I always like to come to Blythewood because I can get to bed early", replied WIS Hired Hand Dewitt "Snuffy" Jenkins in an interview on one of his recent trips to Blythewood.

Other facts procured from him:

Born in Harris, North Carolina, one of four musical-minded brothers and two sisters. "Snuffy" is married and has one boy, age fourteen. He has been in the "hill-billy" music business for eighteen years, starting with the "Jenkins String Band".

His first radio affiliation was with Jack Manor and his Mountaineers" at WSOC in Charlotte. His only other radio affiliation, other than WIS Columbia, was a short stint over WSPA in Spartanburg.

The Hired Hands were started in Columbia this way:

"Snuffy" came to Columbia and station WIS during World War II with Jack Manor and his Mountaineers. Byron Parker took over the group a short time later when Jack Manor

was fired. When Parker died, Pappy Sherril took over the band. Sherril later left to enter business elsewhere. Jenkins then bought out the band and has headed it for five years.

Byron Parker was known as "The Old Hired Hand". After he died, the band received permission from Parker's father to call the new outfit "The Hired Hands".

Jenkins was nicknamed "Snuffy" by Byron Parker because he was always bringing his hand back across his nose and pretending he was going to hit someone.

In hiring new members, Jenkins first investigates the applicants character, and if the prospective member measures up to the required ability standard, he will probably hire him.

He has never fired a band member and he makes a verbal agreement with all the boys when he hires them that anytime they are offered a better position, they should feel free to accept or decline as they wish.

In answers to two other most asked questions, "Snuffy" revealed that the "Hired Hands" are on a salary basis and their radio and TV show and they receive about 15 fan letters a day.

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# On The Sidelines



With — THOMAS NEIL

Blythewood Coach Harry Wilson mixes optimism with pessimism as his Indians open 1954 basketball practice sessions in the high school gym this month.

"Right now we aren't rated above any team on the 22 game schedule", he exclaims, "and we are definite underdogs to four or five." Then he began reviewing the four or five "good teams" that might be lying in wait for the Indians on the very tough 1954 schedule.

"Irmo and Chapin, teams we beat three times a piece last year, will definitely be out for blood." He added, "Monticello and Lower Richland, with a large nucleus of players returning, will also be strong."

Wilson figures the team should rate even with the other teams. If advance prognostications were to be borne out, Blythewood might be expected to finish with no wins, 8 losses, and 14 ties.

Right now it is the aim of Harry Wilson and his entire squad to improve sufficiently to better such a rating.

If they do, quite a few questionable performers will have to respond capably for it is in these questionable players that the Indians find most of their problems.

From right guard to center, even a pessimistically-inclined Wilson seems satisfied. No team in Blythewood's class should have a better guard-center combination than that of Tommy Trapp and Howard Peake.

Sophomores, William Sharpe and Elton Legrand, might add some help.

That puts the spotlight on the forwards and one guard spot where most of the trouble starts.

At the moment, Carrol Morris and Thomas McLean are the leading candidates for the forward spots and with plenty of hard practice, could prove to be capable performers. Furman Mattox, who may play at both forward and guard, and Jack Rowe stand ready to back them up.

At the other guard spot, a terrific dogfight is shaping up between senior Butch Ross and juniors Robert Byars and Furman Mattox for the starting position.

Potentially, Wilson could field a very dangerous offensive unit and a fair defensive unit.

Practice may be the answer to most of the questions. Wilson hopes so, but he has only four weeks to get the answers before the season starts.

## Butch TALKS Basketball

The basketball is rolling again at Blythewood. The boys started practice October 4 and have been going strong since. Mr. Wilson decided to give them a break during fair week.

Many new boys showed up to try for team membership and many of the old still remain. The presence of Robert Blume, Jimmy Coutsos, Frank Easler, and Melvin Abell will be missed. They were a great boost to the team.

Because of the large number of boys trying out, Mr. Wilson has divided them into two separate groups, the Gold and the Blue. They practice at different times.

Here's hoping the team has a successful year, just as successful and more so than last year's team did.

Good Luck Boys.



## Members Of Tenth Grade Have Varied Experiences

Charleen Wingard, a member of the tenth grade, was in an automobile accident Saturday night, October 2.

Her sister, Jan, was driving. There were four people in the car but Charleen was the only one who was hurt. She was thrown out of the car and knocked unconscious. An ambulance carried her to the Union Memorial Hospital in Monroe, N. C. Tuesday, October 5, she was moved to the Baptist Hospital in Columbia, S. C. A back injury was discovered and she had a cast put on her back. It is expected that she will have to wear the cast, six to ten weeks.

Frank Peake, another member of the class, entered a pig in the S. C. State Fair. Even though he didn't win this year, he hopes to profit by his experience.

Three other members of the tenth grade-- Jimmy Fulmer, Elton Legrand and Frank Peake are entering swine in Sears, Roebuck Swine Show to be held at the Fair Grounds around the first of November. These students will compete against boys from fourteen other schools in the central part of South Carolina.

## Courtesy Club Has Interesting Meeting

Curtis Branham, and Clarice Lever were chosen by the Anne Rorer Courtesy Club as the most courteous boy and girl for the weeks of October 1-15.

The program for the last meeting was "Telephone Courtesy". The parts were "Don't Ask, 'What Are You Doing on Saturday Night?'; "Don't Let Your Small Child Answer The Telephone"; "Making A Long Distance Call"; "Consideration of Equipment"; "The Overworking of 'Information' "; "Rules of Courtesy on A Party Line," and "Paying For Calls on a Neighbor's Telephone."

The purpose of this club is to promote courtesy.

## Individual Pictures Taken For Yearbook

Individual pictures for the school yearbook were recently taken at Blythewood School.

These pictures will be available to all who wish to buy. The size and price will be announced later. Group pictures for the grammar school and various organizations will be taken later.

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# Blythewood FBLA Takes Part In National Convention

Five South Carolina members of the Future Business Leaders of America boarded the train Friday morning, June 11, 1954, for Dallas, Texas to attend the National FBLA Convention held at Dallas.

We had a nice trip out there. We traveled through Spartanburg, Ashville, Memphis, and Little Rock. Tired but unconquered we reached our destination about 9:30 Saturday night.

A social hour was held Sunday night but I had to attend a meeting of the nominating committee.

I was asked to take part on a panel discussion so on Monday morning I attended the

meeting for its preparation.

The first general session began at 10:00 A.M. at which time the Mayor welcomed us to the city.

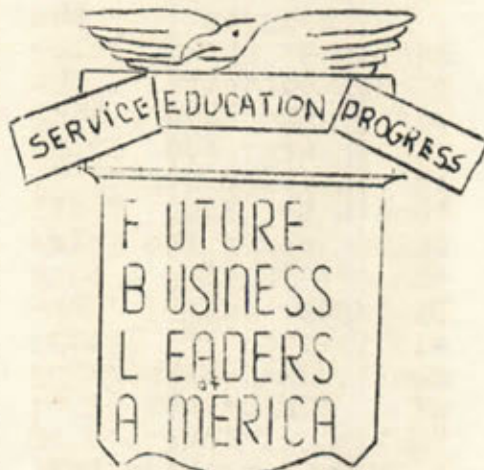
On Monday afternoon the panel discussion was held, and Monday night the banquet and dance. The speaker for the banquet was Mr. Hodson Lewis, who spoke on "Heritage,"

Tuesday brought the day of the final session of the convention and the day of our return home. At the final session the election of officers was held. I counted ballots for this election. After the convention was over we had the evening to ourselves.

Chicago was selected for the 1955 convention city. The tentative dates for this meeting are June 12-14. I hope someone from Blythewood will plan to attend. It would be a wonderful experience.

I will never forget my trip to the National FBLA Convention at Dallas. To all who helped make this trip possible for me, I say (And it comes from the bottom of my heart,) "Thank you".

By Edward Taylor



*Here's to FBLA whoes leaders of tomorrow are the students of today!*

# J.R. CREECH

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# Lever And Branham Represent School At Softy Conference

Clarice Lever and Curtis Branham attended South Carolina's First Youth Traffic Safety Conference, October 6, at the Wade Hampton Hotel in Columbia, South Carolina.

The purpose of this meeting was to give high school students an opportunity to discuss their problems as youthful drivers, to propose methods for improving their driving record, and to stimulate interest in furthering the cause of safe driving among students in all high schools in South Carolina. Intending, also, to provide practical pro-

grams decided upon by high school students themselves that can be put into action on the local high schools level.

Miss Emma Hope, President of Driver Training and Safety Association of South Carolina, called the meeting to order. The welcome was given by J. Clarence Dreher, Mayor of the City of Columbia.

C. B. Seaborn, director of the division of school administration of the State Department of Education, gave a short talk in which he stressed the importance of cutting down the accident rate.

He pointed out the tremendous annual cost in property damage and the loss of life as reasons why safety should be given added emphasis.

During a short recess the Civitan Club of Five Points furnished drinks and crackers

for the group.

The students were then divided into five groups. They suggested resolutions to the group which were passed on.

The Driver Training and Safety Association of South Carolina promoted the conference with the State Highway Department, the State Department of Education, the Carolina Motor Club, and various civic organizations cooperating.

Did you know that David Gestetner invented the first stencil in 1881, that they cost 20 cents apiece and that it takes about 1 1/2 (we usually ruin one) to get out each issue of Blythe-Words?

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## SCORES AGAIN

Mr. Harrell, Agriculture instructor was superintendent of the FFA dairy cattle exhibits at the fair.

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"I am just a very  
                                little boy  
But large enough to  
                                say.  
Uh-oh, I dropped my  
                                chewing gum  
I'm glad to welcome  
                                all of you  
This happy (Children's  
                                Day."

That, to the embar-  
rassment of Mrs. Anne  
Geiger Rorer, was the  
first speech of her  
son, William.

Mr. Rorer was born  
in Columbia. When he  
was small he was run-  
ning around the kitch-  
en and turned over a  
pot of hot water on  
himself. He was burned  
very badly and wasn't  
expected to live, but  
with the care of a  
doctor grandfather he  
slowly recovered.

Mr. Rorer was de-  
voted to his cap and

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wanted to wear it ev-  
erywhere. The only  
trouble was that he  
could never find it.

When he was six, he  
started to a two-room  
school near the sand



pits of Lexington Coun-  
ty. One day when his  
sister dropped her  
lunch, he gave her  
his. He was quite gall-  
ant even in those  
days.

Mr. Rorer attended  
Brookland School in  
West Columbia and was  
the comic star of the  
high school play. He  
was valedictorian of  
his class also.

Mr. Rorer received  
his AB degree at the  
University of South  
Carolina. He attended  
summer school at Duke  
University and is do-  
ing graduate work now  
at the University of  
South Carolina.

The first school  
where he taught was  
the first school he  
ever attended. He has

also taught in Vir-  
ginia and has been at  
Blythewood for the  
past 12 years.

One of the high-  
lights of Mr. Rorer's  
career was his trip to  
the National Education  
Association Convention  
at Miami Beach during  
the summer of 1953.  
It was on his way to  
Miami that he had his  
second gall bladder  
attack and had to go  
to the hospital in St.  
Augustine.

After a very inter-  
esting and informative  
meeting at the conven-  
tion, Mr. Rorer had  
another attack, a hec-  
tic trip home, a de-  
lightful (?) hospital  
experience and---well,  
now he can eat all of  
the fried chicken he  
wants but cocoanut pie  
is taboo.

Mr. Rorer is slight-  
ly interested in one  
of the twin cities  
"across the way". He  
likes comedy; his fa-  
vorite television pro-  
gram is Jackie Gleason.  
He likes to teach  
science, and his pet  
peeves are girl's in  
shorts and people who  
remind him that his  
hair is getting thin.

H. Y. Hinnant

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## OH, YUM, YUM, HAVE YOU TASTED THAT JHA CANDY?

The Blythewood Junior Homemakers Association has been selling candy, at forty cents a box. They have five different kinds. The purpose of selling this candy is to earn money for a J.H.A. scholarship at Winthrop and a camp contribution. In addition to making money for this they are raising it for a J.H.A. and Future Farmers of America Banquet and Welfare and Civics Projects that the J.H.A. conducts.

The J.H.A. member that sells the most boxes will receive a watch for her good work. A pen and pencil set will be awarded for second and third prizes.

## New Stage Furniture At Last

The class of 1950 gave the school one hundred dollars with which to buy furniture for the stage. This was not bought because there was no place to store it.

Upon completion of the cafeteria, the furniture was purchased from Cayce Furniture Company and placed in one corner of the cafeteria.

The school thanks the seniors of '50 for this much needed purchase.

## BETA CLUB TO INITIATE

Charleen Wingard, Ann Joy Peake, Howard Peake, Kay Wilson, Dorothy Paschal, Margaret Boatwright, and Carroll Morris will be initiated in the Blythewood Chapter of the National Beta Club at an early date. They were selected on the basis of their character, leadership, and scholarship.

Mr. Lott, a representative from the national office, visited the school recently. He gave a very interesting talk on South Carolina to the eighth grade.

The next meeting of the Beta Club will be on November 9.

## Library Club Is Organized Here

Rebecca Bass was elected president of the Blythewood South Carolina Library Association at a meeting held in September. The other officers are Angela Fulmer, Vice-president, Ann Frick, secretary, Sylvia Maples, treasurer, and Peggy Mattox, reporter.

Other members are Roberta Frick, Mattie Fulmer, Meritta Gardner, Elsie LeGrande, Anne Newton, Louise Roberts, and Patricia Wooten.

Mrs. Estelle Hinnant is sponsor.

## LEADERSHIP CAMP ATTENDED BY JHA

Leadership meetings were held by the Junior Homemakers Association at the Future Farmers of America Camp in Dentsville from October the first through October the third for the J.H.A. local presidents and the district and county officers.

Three girls from Blythewood School, Dorothy Paschal, district vice-president, Lula Mae Loner, county president, and Clarice Lever, local president, attended the meeting.

They arrived at the camp at about four o'clock Friday evening (October 1) and began a series of meetings.

After the meetings, a movie on Parliamentary Procedure and a movie on the mountain and beach camps were shown. Dorothy Paschal, district vice-president, presided at the meetings held on Friday, Saturday night, and Sunday.

The girls left the camp Sunday afternoon with a greater knowledge of leadership and J.H.A. Activities.

## BOY BREAKS ARM

Jimmy Jackson, a member of the junior class, broke his left arm October 3 playing football near his home.

He was rushed to the Baptist Hospital, but appears to be making a satisfactory recovery.



## Editor's Problems

What news is there to print in our paper? This is the first question to arise in the publication of the school paper. This year there have been several reporters added to the paper staff. These reporters will always be on the look out for news, but there

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still remains a problem of getting all the news assembled on the day set as the dead line. If we say that no news will be accepted after the dead line and if there should happen to be a few persons who don't care if their articles don't get published, then we will come up lacking news. Then if we do accept news late the students may rely on the fact that the editor accepted his late, she will take mine a day late, too.

After the news is finally gathered, it is corrected, typed, and the lines are justified into 22 space lines and the sports and the editorials 34 space lines. Then it is retyped.

The columns are arranged and placed on a dummy sheet. Then the stencil is ready to be cut. Then you advance from one process to another until the paper is completed.

## Ann Smyrl Heads FBLA

Ann Smyrl, a senior, has been chosen as president of the Blythewood Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America.

Other officers elected are vice-president Albert Ross; secretary, Bobby Wooten; treasurer, Angela Fulmer; and reporter, Maedell Moore. Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler is sponsor.

Ann Smyrl, Margaret Boatwright, Louise Swygert, Albert Ross, Bobby Wooten, Maxine Brown, and Rebecca Bass attended the work shop sponsored by the State Chapter of FBLA in Columbia on October 16.

Barbara Yarborough, of Chester, presided at the workshop. Anne Smyrl led the devotions. The group heard an address by Mr. J. C. Good, president of the Chamber of Commerce. Edward Taylor, a Blythewood graduate and former state president of FBLA, was recognized.

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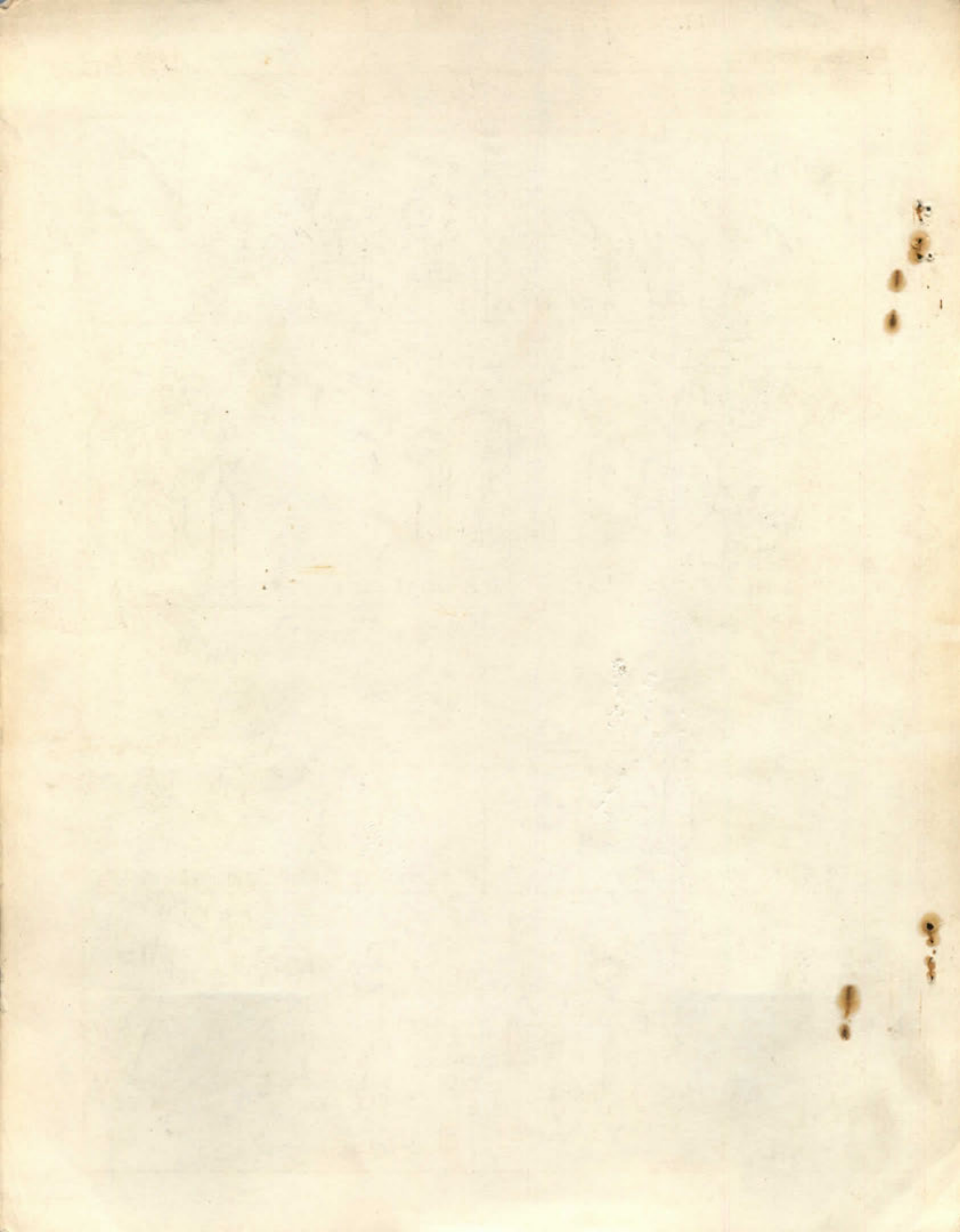


BUT - WELL,



"PEACHY" IS NOT PEACHY







# Blythe - Words

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## Swygert Chosen Miss High Miss

Blythe-Words is happy to announce that in a recent highly competitive contest Miss Louise Swygert won the coveted place of Miss High Miss of 1954-55 of Blythewood High School.

This privilege is extended by Winthrop College to the senior girls in all of the high schools in South Carolina. The qualifications required for this honor are scholarship, leadership, character, and personal attractiveness.

The senior class and the high school faculty showed careful consideration in the selection of Miss Swygert to represent her school as Miss High Miss.

## Senior Superlatives Are

### Maxine Brown Is Miss D.A.R.

Maxine Brown, a senior, was elected by her class and the faculty as Miss D.A.R. of Blythewood High School.

Her name along with the other Miss D.A.R.s from South Carolina schools will be drawn to select Miss D.A.R. from South Carolina. The girl whose name is drawn, will be named "Good Citizen" from South Carolina and will also receive a \$100 Government Bond.

Maxine was chosen on the basis of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

## Announced

When Mrs. Hinnant, Senior Class Advisor, announced the recent senior selections of class superlatives, it was revealed that:

MOST ATHLETIC-

Jacquelyn Lovett  
Gwendolyn Lovett

MOST COURTEOUS-

Anne Newton  
Baynard Rodgers

BEST SPORTS-

Maedell Moore  
Butch Ross

MOST POPULAR-

Louise Swygert

MOST ORIGINAL-

Rebecca Bass

MARGARET BOATWRIGHT  
WITTIEST- Ann Smyrl

BEST ALL 'ROUND-

Maxine Brown  
Jan Wingard

MOST DEPENDABLE-

Sylvia Maples  
Ruth Hawley

QUIETIEST-

Louise Roberts  
Mattie Fulmer

CLASS SWEETHEARTS-

Louise Swygert  
Bobby Wooten

FRIENDLIEST-

Elsie Legrand  
Patricia Wooten

CLASS HEARTBREAKERS-

Angela Fulmer  
Butch Ross

MOST ARTISTIC-

Roberta Frick

## Christmas Holidays Begin Soon

Christmas Holidays will begin on December 17 and will end on January 3.

Mrs. Hoffman, director of the high school chorus, will present a program of Christmas music on Friday.

Using a rainbow service, the Beta Club will present a program

on the aims and objectives of the Club. Those taking part will be Ann Smyrl, Louise Swygert, Ruth Hawley, Maxine Brown, Rebecca Bass, Curtis Branham, and Dorothy Paschal. The new members of the club will be introduced to the student body.

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## EDITORIAL

### Let's Make Christmas A Truly Happy Time

Across the country on December 25 families will gather together, exchange gifts and celebrate Christmas in many of their own familiar ways. It's an old custom for Santa Claus and his helpers to visit all the homes and leave toys for all the little girls and boys. It is probably the most delightful of all the holidays.

Have you ever thought of the many unfortunate children that think Santa has forgotten them and the heartbreak they suffer on Christmas morning when they find no toys in their stockings? There could be any of several misfor-

tunes to cause this. It may be a lack of financial support, death of parents, destruction of home or perhaps war. A heart of kindness will create within us a desire to help these children.

When we sit down to eat that extra special meal-turkey, cake, and pies-we don't often think of those who are hungry.

We would each enjoy the true meaning of Christmas if we searched our own communities and found the less fortunate and helped them.

Let's make it a merry Christmas for all.

## We Wonder Why

The pupils of Blythewood are proud of their year book, Blythe-Spirit, and wonder why it has never been entered in a state wide judging contest. It has been established that the school wins recognition by participating in the judging contest.

If the annual were judged the staff members would feel that they would have to be more accurate in their work and it would give them a goal to work for.

The Blythe-Words Staff has found that entering Blythe-Words in the judging contest has helped the paper progress.

Good luck!





# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am thinking of the things that need to be improved around the school, to make it a better school. I think if there were better conduct in the halls, there would be less confusion in getting to classes. If everyone would stay in line we could get by without pushing and talking.

If there is any way to improve the order in the hall, I think it would help the teacher and pupils.

Sincerely,

*Anne Newton*

Editors Note: (I think that when the student council is organized they will accept this as part of their responsibility.)

# FIFTH GRADE LEADS IN JUNIOR RED CROSS DRIVE

The fifth grade, with its teacher, Mrs. Florence Poole, led the school in the recent Junior Red Cross Drive. The fifth grade contributed \$5.21. The eleventh grade was second with \$3.25.

Other grades contributed as follows:

Grade 1	— Mrs. Woods.....	\$ .50
Grade 1	— Mrs. King.....	1.63
Grade 2	— Mrs. Hagood.....	1.25
Grade 2	— Mrs. Dangler.....	.55
Grade 3	— Mrs. Fletcher.....	1.05
Grade 4	— Mrs. Ward.....	.06
Grade 6	— Mrs. Hoffman.....	2.44
Grade 7	— Boys—Mr. Rorer...	1.16
Grade 7	— Girls—Mr. Wilson.	2.10
Grade 8	— Mrs. Smoak.....	2.11
Grade 9	— Mrs. Wilson.....	1.20
Grade 10	— Mrs. Taylor.....	.67
Grade 12	— Mrs. Hinnant.....	2.16
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# Christmas

Christmas is a happy time,  
 For we all have happy hearts,  
 We now can hear the Christmas  
 chimes  
 And we watch the happy little  
 tots.  
 When it comes to Christmas eve,  
 We have to go to bed and sleep.  
 If we don't we'll all have griefs,  
 For Santa never wants a little  
 peep.  
 If you are like the rest of these,  
 Then you'll have many Christmas  
 eves.

By: Coleman Dinkins

# Happy Morn of Christmas Day

On the happy morn of Christmas Day  
 Everyone will be happy and gay.

Gifts are thrown from place to  
 place.  
 There'll be a smile on everyone's  
 face.

Susie will play with her little  
 doll baby,  
 Tom will ride his bicycle, maybe .

Mother wants a new blue coat,  
 And Father wants a big new boat.

We will laugh and sing,  
 And let the joy bells ring.

All our worries and cares will go  
 away,  
 On the happy morn of Christmas Day.

By: Laverne Davis



# Introducing Miss Fallaw

Blythewood has a new teacher, Miss Bertha Fallaw, former teacher at Gaston School in the Swansea District. Miss Fallaw teaches a class of pupils taken from the second to the seventh grades.

She was born in Gaston, South Carolina. Miss Fallaw attended Coker University. She served as principal of the Dixie School for 27 years. Altogether she has had 23 years of teaching experience.

About a year ago, Miss Fallaw was among the four fortunate teachers from this state to win a free trip to Washington, D. C. for a week, by writing a paper on aviation.

At the present time Miss Fallaw is living in Gaston. She is taking a course in Children's Literature and Political Science at the University of South Carolina. Her hobby is reading and

collecting pictures.

Miss Fallaw stated, when asked her opinion of Blythewood, "I like Blythewood School very much; everybody is so nice."

# Have You Seen The Two White Rats?

Two white rats were given to the Science department, by Pet Dairies, for the purpose of seeing the difference in growth when fed on an adequate diet and when fed on an inadequate diet.

The white rat is small, clean, easily caged, eats food which people enjoy, and it responds to difficult diets much like that of people. When the nutritionist for Pet Dairies, Mrs. Yearout, brought the rats to the school, each weighed exactly 30 grams. Their present weights are 68 and 84 grams.

# Mrs. Hinnant Speaks At Bamberg

Mrs. Estelle E. Hinnant, a member of the district Future Teachers of America committee and FTA sponsor of the James H. Hope Club of Blythewood, was invited by the Bamberg County FTA committee to speak recently at the County Teachers Association at Erhardt. Mrs. Hinnant chose as her subject, "The Why and How of FTA in Any High School."



H. Y. Hinnant

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AT SCSPA MEETING

Maxine Brown, Ann Smyrl, Clarice Lever, Thomas McLean, Curtis Branham, and Mrs. Zeagler attended the District 2 South Carolina Scholastic Press Association meeting at University High School.

Alex Lancaster from University High presided. The welcome was given by Libby O'Sheal of University High and the response was given

by Sue Simmons of Swansea.

Guest speaker was A. Courtney Carson, City Editor of the Columbia Record.

The students divided into groups for discussions after which they enjoyed a social hour.

Twelfth Grade Works On "Hope Chest"

The twelfth grade is now in the midst of a Magazine Campaign, the proceeds of which are to go in their hope chest. Hoping to earn enough money, thereby, to fulfill their long cherished dream of a senior class trip to our national capitol, Washington, D.C.

Remember, when a senior calls on you for a subscription you are not only getting a magazine, but you are helping them to realize one of their ambitions.

Support the seniors in the Magazine Drive.

Students Busy In The Sixth Grade

During our music periods, which we enjoy very much, we are beginning to learn some very beautiful Christmas carols. If we learn them real well maybe we can sing them for you.

To observe American Education Week, Barbara Walker made an attractive poster, illustrating the theme "Good Schools Are Your Responsibility."

During the study of foods, we made some posters which are on display in our classroom. There are also posters of people and events in the Middle Ages, and drawings of the Thanksgiving Season. Come and see them.

We are happy to have Mrs. Leonard Kelly, Mrs. Tallie E. Boney, Mrs. Johnnie Haygood, and Mrs. A.H. Berry for our grademothers.



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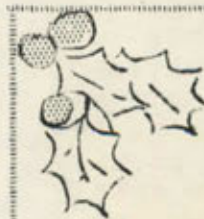
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## Journalism Class Goes Places

The journalism class from Blythewood High School, consisting of fifteen pupils and the teacher, Harry M. Wilson recently made a tour of the State and Record newspaper plants, WIS TV stations, and the journalism department at the University of South Carolina November 12.

Using three cars, the class arrived at the new State and Record newspaper plant at 9:30 A.M. There they were cordially greeted and escorted to the office of the president, Mr. J.M. Blalock, who discussed the many new operations of the plant.

Frank Turbyfill, city manager for the circulation department, conducted the tour which featured the disposition of a news story from its inception until it came off the press.

As a visit to the luxurious director's room got the tour underway. Subsequently they went to the news department of the evening and morning paper, the office of the society editor, and the sports department. They saw a copy desk which seats from 8 to 10 people. This is where the news is checked for mistakes and labeled for the State or Record. After this they went to the Associative Press Office, where the

world, national, and town news is sent in on teletype machines.

Later they saw the composing room. This is where the copies are proofread and retyped in metal by the linotype operators. They next observed the huge press which contains several hundred miles of electric wire and is three stories high. The press cuts, folds, and counts the papers. It has a speedometer telling various speeds at which it runs. The cost of this press was \$800,000. The length of time taken to erect it so far has been 16 weeks, and it is still not complete. The press turns out 53,000 papers per hour which is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times as many papers per hour as the old press did.

Mr. Turbyfill gave each of the students a copy of the Record as they left.

This group of students (see next page)



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dents was the first group to tour the new paper plant.

The group arrived at the WIS Radio and TV studio at 11:30. They were made welcome by Louella Binkley. First they went through the radio control room and then the news room where they met the news director, Ray Stanfield. They also talked with Nancy McElrath in the music room where the records and transcriptions are kept. They passed through the WIS "Prop" Department then saw Emily Smith and her "Family Kitchen". Subsequent to this, they conversed with Cliff Adams in the TV Projection Department. He explained the technicalities of the TV camera. Some of the other places of interest were the director's room, the engineering room and the Sales Department. Among the interesting people

they met were "Specks" Munsell, Ray Stanfield, Nancy McElrath, Emily Smith, Cliff Adams, Farrel Smith, and Mackie Quave.

The Group had approximately an hour for lunch prior to its visit to the Journalism Department of the University of South Carolina from 1:45 till 2:45. They were greeted at the journalism department by the Dean of the School of Journalism, Robert Schlabach, who showed them the photography room, where film is developed. He discussed the standard news camera which cost from \$250 to \$275. They later inspected the journalism class rooms and copy desk room. They had pictures made in the lounging room that consists of newspapers, magazines, and journalism books.

The present journalism class contains two who plan to further their education in the field of journalism. They are Martha Jean Finley and Thomas Neil McLean.

Pamelia Johnson  
Heads Junior 4-H

Pamella Johnson was recently elected president of the Junior 4-H Club, Sue McVay was elected vice-president Peggy Kelly, secretary-treasurer; Carol Wilson, reporter; Lynette Moore, Songleader, and Mrs. Hoffman, faculty advisor.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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# Blythe-Words 1938

"To Complete New Gym By December" was the page one headline in the first issue of Blythe-Words. This issue came out in October of 1938.

Other first page articles told of the Halloween Carnival and announced the new paper staff. Pages two and three showed a drawing of the school as it would look with the new gymnasium added. An account of a recent P-TA meeting told that Mr. James H. Hope, for whom our present Future Teachers of America Club is named, was the speaker. In 1938 the FTA was named for Dr. J. Elmer Morgan, meetings were held bi-monthly, and Miss Kathleen Lemmon was sponsor.

An editorial on safety around the school sounded as if it must have been most effective. The slogan, "Drive Slow-Let Little Children Grow", sent in by the Blythewood Safety Patrol won the second prize at the State Fair.

"How Blythewood Was Named" was the feature. We've heard this story many times, but this certainly had a different slant.

During the summer of 1938 the school building was renovated by the Works Administration Project. A bulletin board was given to each room, blackboards were painted, and "all broken windows were fixed, and made right".

New teachers were added for the 1938-39 term. They were Miss Jane Nelson, Miss Gladys Harris, and Mr. Charles Mason. Can you identify any of these? Some may still be around.

A "Two Day Holiday for State Fair" was an outstanding headline in 1938. Who says that the world is getting worse? A holiday is a holiday and looked forward to by any generation.

Olga Coutsos was manager of the school canteen which sold—among other things—candy, crackers, and writing materials. Naomi Hatchell and Ruth Beckman were the clerks, while Johnny White was assistant manager.

Even in those days Blythewood boasted of having one of the best P-TA's in the state, and were busy making plans to install a lunch counter for the benefit of students.

Thirty-six boys reported for football practice and a good team was predicted by Fred Muller. Lever Riley and Frank Boney seemed to be the stars of the "Hee-Haw" col-  
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Twas the night before

Christmas

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umn, while the outstanding athletes mentioned were Howard Wilson, Frank Boney, John Erie Price, Edward Miller, and Willard Branham.

Daisy Albert was president of the JHA; Elizabeth Boney was president of both the senior class and the FTA. The junior class president was Katherine Browne, while Roy Jordan headed the sophomores and Wilhelmena Muller presided over the freshman. Ann Boney was captain of the Safety Patrol.

A look at "The Spy" column revealed that Clifton Rimer kept a padlock on his locker because it contained a picture of his girl friend... Peggy Hagood thought Wayne Ballentine was "quite handsome"... Willard Branham was "smiling sweetly" at Jennie Lee Gunter.. Helen Forbes spent a lot of time passing notes.... and Angus "Mc-

Lean was "quite a sport" even in those days.

Elizabeth Boney was editor of this first edition of Blythe-Words, while others on the staff were: Sallie McDonald, Mary Brown Ruth Beckham, Olga Coutsos, Clinton Rimer, Katherine Brown, Howard Wilson, Ann Boney, Naomi Hatchell, Louise Allen, Edward Miller, Myra Cridder, Mildred Stevens, Fred Muller, Angus McLean, Lillian Davis, and Charles Mason.

We wish our file of Blythe-Words was complete. It is since September 1948. If you have a copy of the paper issued anytime between 1938 and September 1948 and will give it to us, we will be very happy. We know of nothing that keeps the detailed record of school activities that the school newspaper does.

Thank you!

By Ann Smyrl

## District FBLA Holds Meeting

The District 2 meeting of the Future Business Leaders of America was held on December 3, in Drayton Hall, University High School, Columbia, S. C.

A new sponsor, president, and secretary were elected at this time. Louise Swygert has been serving as District Secretary.

Ann Smyrl gave the response to the address of welcome, as well as stood in the receiving line.

Those who attended the meeting were: Ann Smyrl, Patricia Wooten, Elsie Legrand, Jan Wingard, Ruth Hawley, John Swygert, Louise Swygert, Albert Ross, Lenora Abell, Bobby Wooten, and Louise Roberts, and Mrs. Zeagler, sponsor.



Christmas Happiness

J. R. CREECH

BLYTHEWOOD, S. C.



# On The Sidelines



WITH

THOMAS NEIL

The current season of roundball competition starts moving at full blast this week with all preliminary events having been disposed of.

Indications are that the team will give a good account of itself in ALL games.

It must be pointed out, however, that it is natural for a team which loses four starters to be a little weaker.

The biggest lack of the boys are height and experience, but they can be overcome with their biggest assets, desire and determination.

Of the 21 games on the '54-'55 schedule, the boys can be expected to finish with about a 14-7 record.

This does not mean that just because they figure to lose seven games that they will be standing up and taking defeat in these games. It simply means that the quality of the opponents teams, plus the law of averages figure out this way.

Two things which should be emphasized strongly is school spirit and spectator support.

It is only natural for a team with only a handful of spectators not to perform with the hustle, desire, and determination it would before a full house. Evidence of this can be seen in the success of Milwaukee Braves Baseball Club.

So on the nights the team is playing at home, come out and give the players your support. They would appreciate it and you'll get your money's worth and much more.

## Know Your Basketball Teams

As basketball season progresses, Blythewood's Girls Team is showing its eagerness to prove to its school that it is a peerless team. All of the members are showing exceptional teamwork, dexterity in handling the ball, alertness, and fine cooperation.

Introducing the members of the team who have been playing for several years.

Gwendolyn Lovett-Forward...height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 125 pounds; Favorite Actor, Burt Lancaster; Favorite song, "If I Ever Needed You".

Peggy Blume-Guard...height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 120 pounds; Favorite movie, Pony Express; Favorite subject, Typing.

Peggy Mattox- Forward...height, 5 feet 5½ inches; weight, 120 pounds; Favorite Movie, "The Glenn Miller Story"; Pet peeve, boyfriend stealers.

Angela Fulmer- Guard...height, 5 feet 7 inches; weight, 130 pounds; Favorite song, "Teach Me Tonight"; Favorite Actress, Doris Day.

Ann Frick-Forward...height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 120 pounds; Favorite movie, Magnificent Obsession, Favorite food, Hamburgers.

Lenora Abell-Guard...height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 124 pounds; Favorite subject, Home Economics; Favorite food, fried chicken.

Louise Swygert-Guard...height, 5 feet 3 inches; weight, 120 pounds; Favorite song, "Hey There"; Favorite movie, Roman Holiday.

Jacquelyn Lovett-Forward...height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 125 pounds; Favorite food, steak; Favorite movie, Gone With The Wind.

Betty Trapp- Forward...height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 110 pounds; Favorite movie, From Here to Eternity; Favorite food, ice cream.

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ELIZABETH RIGGS-Guard height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 113 pounds; Favorite song, "The High and Mighty"; Favorite subject, basketball.

KAY WILSON-Guard ... height, 5 feet 5 inches; weight, 123 pounds; Favorite Actress, Janet Leigh; Favorite subject, driving.

## MEET THE BOYS

HOWARD PEAKE-Forward.. a sophomore. Howard is 5'11½" tall. He weighs 140 pounds. His favorite food is steak; his favorite actor, John Wayne. His favorite song is "One by One". His favorite movie is "The Greatest Show on Earth". His favorite actress is Marilyn Maxwell. He likes all sports. His favorite subject is agriculture.

WILLIAM SHARPE-Forward a sophomore. William is 6'2" tall. He weighs 175 pounds. His favorite song is "Beware of It". His favorite subject is biology. He, too, likes all sports. His favorite foods are steak and fried chicken. His favorite actor is John Wayne and actress is Jane Russel. His favorite movie is "The Three Stooges".

CARROLL MORRIS-Forward a sophomore. Carroll is 5'11" tall. He weighs 144 pounds. His favorite song is "If I Ever Needed You I Need You Now". His favorite food is steak. His favorite actor is John Wayne and actress, Jane Rus-

sell. His favorite movie is "Take Me To Town". He likes biology the best of all of his subjects. His favorite sport is any sport in season.

THOMAS NEIL McLEAN, Forward, is a junior. He weighs 135 pounds. His favorite food is steak. His favorite song is "If I Ever Needed You I Need You Now". His favorite actor is Rock Hudson and actress, Jane Russel. His favorite subject is journalism. He enjoyed "Gone With The Wind". His favorite sport is any in season.

FURMAN MATTOX- Forward is a junior. Furman is 5'11" tall and weighs 135 pounds. His favorite food is fried chicken. His favorite movie was "The River of No Return". His favorite actor is Tony Curtis and actress is Rita Hayworth. His favorite sport is basketball. His favorite subject is history.

ROBERT BYR'S--Forward, is a junior. Robert is 5'7" tall and weighs 122 pounds. His favorite song is "Hey There". His favorite food is steak. His favorite sport is any in season. His favorite subjects are bookkeeping and biology. In general he likes all the best actors and actress and his favorite movie is "The River of No Return".

TOMMY TRAPP--Guard, is a junior. Tommy is 5'11" tall and weighs 143 pounds, and his favorite song is "Fill

Up Two Glasses Joe". His favorite movie is "The Robe". He has no favorite actor or actress. His favorite subject is journalism. His favorite sport is basketball.

## Seniors Have Finger Trouble

The class rings of the senior class arrived on November 22! Never has the school witnessed such a flourish of hands as was exhibited in every classroom, in the homes and throughout the community.

Seriously speaking, congratulations!! to the members of the senior class on having reached this important goal in their high school career.

## HISTORY CLASS SEES MOVIES

Climaxing the study of the Revolutionary War, the American History Class was shown movies by Superintendent E.L. Wright.

Mr. Wright, who is an authority on South Carolina History, featured mainly the part Andrew Pickens played in the winning of the war. He showed scenes of the various battlefields where Pickens fought.

Other movies showing the part South Carolina played in the War Between the States will be shown later.



## ARE YOU IN THE KNOW?

### ROBERTA FRICK GIVES INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING TUBERCULOSIS

2,500 deaths every month in the United States? Surely, there must be some mistake. No, dear reader, there is no mistake. Tuberculosis is one of the most serious infectious diseases, and today it causes about one tenth of all human deaths and ranks seventh among the greatest causes of death. Tuberculosis is sometimes called the white plague because it is so widespread and deadly.

Did you know that tuberculosis is caused by a germ, the tubercle bacillus, that was discovered in 1882 by the famous German bacteriologist, Robert Koch? There are different types of this germ—human, cattle, bird, and others. The cattle type is carried in milk from cows with tuberculosis; therefore, it is safe to use milk only after it is pasteurized.

The disease is usually caught from the sputum of a person who already has the active form of the disease. When such a person coughs, sneezes, or spits, his sputum contains millions of tuberculosis germs. Sputum on handkerchiefs, clothing, towels, furniture, carpets, and other objects is what sani-

tarians call "dangerous dirt". Many a child has become infected from the careless spitting of others. Have you been guilty of this?

There are two types of tuberculosis—the acute and chronic. The acute type is called quick, or galloping, consumption. An attack begins suddenly with chills, fever, rapid pulse, pain in the chest, cough, labored breathing, and lung congestion. These symptoms become more severe, and death ends the attack in four to twelve weeks. There is no known cure.

Chronic tuberculosis attacks far more people. This form may begin with a constant tired feeling, poor appetite, or steady loss of weight. Later there is a dry cough and slight rise of temperature toward evening. If the disease is not checked, the cough may become chronic. Sometimes blood is raised from the lungs during a spell of coughing.

No drug has yet been discovered that will cure tuberculosis of the lungs. Streptomycin and promin, however, have been partially successful.

Can tuberculosis be cured then? Yes, if the

disease is diagnosed in time. This can be made possible through a regular chest X-ray. We have a hard fight to fight, but if we conquer this disease. How can we fight together? Well, Give to your T. B. Association. Give and give and give. Help your self, help others. Help, so all may live. You'll feel better at Christmas, Knowing you've done your part. You'll follow the teachings of Jesus. Giving with your head and your heart.

### EAU CLAIRE ENTERTAINS JHA

The J.H.A. held a county meeting at Eau Claire High school Thursday, November 11.

Eleven J.H.A. members from Blythewood School were present. Lula Mae Loner presided as county president and Mrs. Miriam Pusser was present as county advisor. Miss Nancy Day talked about her visit to Thailand.

### PEOPLE LOOK FORWARD TO HEALTH CENTER

The Agriculture boys with their teacher, Mr. Harrell, and Mr. Charlie Wilson have been remodeling a part of the old lunch room, which is behind the school, into a nurse's office. This office will be a great improvement over the old one.



## REV. PARKS MEETS WITH JHA

Pastor G.H.C. Parks, of the Saint Andrews and Saint Marks Lutheran Churches, met for a few minutes with the Blythewood Junior Homemakers Association at its regular meeting, November third.

The JHA was called to order by the president, Clarice Lever. After the roll call and signing the JHA song, Pastor Parks was introduced to the JHA by Ann Frick, the program chairman for the month of November. He gave an interesting talk on the art of being thankful. After this the meeting was adjourned.

## Student Council Members Attend State Meeting

Anne Newton, Albert Ross, and Mrs. Smoak attended the state meeting of Student Council members on Wednesday, November 10.

The opening session was from 9:15 to 11:30. This was followed by lunch in the school cafeteria.

After the business session, the discussion groups were held.

The student council, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Helen Smoak, has been recently organized at Blythewood. Anne Newton is president and "Butch" Ross, vice-president.

## Students Explain Activities

Fourteen students explaining the various aspects of school activities were speakers at the regular monthly meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association.

Curtis Branham and Clarice Lever reported on the Safety Council Meeting the P.T.A. made possible for them to attend.

Judith Ann Wingard explained the activities of the Future Teachers of America; Ann Smyrl, the Future Business Leaders of America; Carroll Morris, the Athletic Association; Bobby Wooten, the Courtesy Club; Louise Swygert, the Yearbook; Maxine Brown, Blythe-Words; Dorothy Paschal, the Junior Homemakers of America; Ruth Hawley, the Beta Club; Howard Peake, the Future Farmers of America; Lula Mae Loner, the Student Council, and Janice Grimsley, the Band and Chorus.

Rev. D.W. Ragin, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, gave the devotions. The tenth grade was the winner of the attendance award.

## SEVENTH GRADE

The seventh grade Social Studies Class with Mrs. Hinnant, the teacher, is studying about life in S.C.

For our first field trip this year we went to Columbia to visit the capitol. We saw many things of interest at the State House. Among them were portraits of famous men, the seal, the sword, the mace, and the Relic Room. Then we went over to Trinity Episcopal Church Cemetery. There we viewed many graves of famous persons.

We also went to Elmwood Cemetery, and saw where the Confederate soldiers were buried.

We came back by way of Two Notch Road and saw the approximate location of where the Barhamville Women's Collegiate Institute was located.

This was one of the first institutions of higher education for women in the country.

We all had a very nice trip, with Howard Peake as our bus driver. We hope to go on more field trips this year.

Ann Joy Peake

Wins Wrist Watch

Ann Joy Peake, selling 140 boxes, won as first prize, a Waltham Wrist Watch, recently in a candy-selling contest sponsored by the Junior Homemakers Association.

Two other prizes, Eversharp pen and pencil sets, were awarded to Cynthia Riggs, selling 72 boxes and to Rebecca Brown, selling 69 boxes.



Jimmy  
and  
Clyde say -

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-RIGGS



# Blythe - Words

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## VALENTINE FESTIVAL OFFERS QUITE A VARIED PROGRAM

A "Valentine Festival" will be sponsored by the senior class in the school gymnasium on Tuesday, February 15 at 7:30. No admission will be charged.

The "Valentine Festival" will include playing bingo, a pretty girls' cake, square dancing, crowning of Kings and Queens, and the concession stand.

Crowning of Kings and Queens of Hearts will be one of the main events of the evening. A King and a Queen will be chosen from the 5th through the 8th grades and one chosen from the 9th through the 12th grade.

Mrs. Hinnant quotes, "A good time is in store for all that come. If you do not dance, you can play bingo; if you do not play bingo, you can eat and drink, if you don't do this, you can sit and watch."

The candidates are: Milton Peake, Jean Wilson, Marion Smyrl, Sylvia Seay, Laverne Mattox, George Knox, Janice Grimsley, Ray Sharpe, Dorothy Mattox, William Sharpe, Kay Wilson, Furman Mattox, Peggy Mattox, "Butch" Ross, and Anne Newton.

## Class Play Coming Soon

### Seniors Present Farce-Comedy In March

"Eve On a Rampage", A farce-comedy in three acts will be presented on March 11 at 8:00 p.m. by the senior class.

The cast of characters are as follows: Jessie Noel, a dictating mother, Maxine Brown; Eve Noel, her daughter, whose ideas get her into much trouble, Louise Swygert; Gail Higgs, Jessie's married daughter, Macdell Moore; Clarence Higgs, who is completely dominated by Gail and her mother, Bobby Wooten; Stephen Brooks, who makes all the decisions for his family, Baynard Rodgers; May Brooks, Stephen's meek wife, Anne Newton; Roger Brooks, their son whom Eve gets in a jam, "Butch" Ross; Janet Paige, Eve's college friend, Ruth Hawley; Dennis Wayne, a classmate of Roger's, Thomas Neil McLean, and Amy Strecker, maid at the Noel home, Rebecca Basa.

## Is There a "Liz" on Local Faculty

"Do You Know Liz?", a skit designed to create more interest in the Code of Ethics of the National Education Association will be presented at the February meeting of the Richland County Education Association by the high-school teachers at Blythewood.

The setting is an ordinary classroom; the time is 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Estelle Hinnant, Mrs. Sara Zeagler, Mrs. Jane Wilson, Mrs. Miriam Pusser, Mrs. Helen Smoak, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, Miss Anne Rorer, and Mr. W.C. Rorer are the characters.

The meeting will be at Horrell Hill.

Friday night, April 1, is the date of the Junior-Senior. Details later so be looking and listening.

Mrs. Estelle Hinnant is the faculty director; Ann Smyrl and Margaret Boatwright, the student directors.

The ushers are Elsie Legrand, Patricia Wooten, Jacquelyn Lovett, and Gwendolyn Lovett. The business managers are Sylvia Maples and Roberta Frick.



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## EDITORIAL -

### Should We Have Senior Privileges?

With the beginning of second semester ordinarily come senior privileges. The 1954-55 seniors have made a list of privileges desired, and with the recommendation of the Student Council, will present them to the faculty. The remaining question is, will the faculty approve any, none, or all of these recommendations?

For twelve years, we have been taught to be trustworthy, but how can we prove whether or not this teaching has been worth while unless we are given an opportunity to prove ourselves.

The faculty, as well as a woman, would have the privilege of changing its mind at a later date should the reason arrive for doing so.

### What Is Your Driving Attitude?

Dullness at this time of the year seems to be very dominate. The daily routine of school gets rather boring and the students seem to lose their enthusiasm. Interest in affairs other than school activities seem to appear more often, but in the wrong direction.

During this dull period many teen-age drivers try to replete their lives with gaiety by reckless driving. By cutting circles, with automobiles, they distract from the school campus; by using the public highway as a race track they endanger their lives and the lives of others.

While we are doing this fatuous driving, do we stop to think of the influence we may have on others? Younger students, just learning to drive, often try to imitate the methods of older drivers. They see the more experienced drivers drawing circles on the school grounds, turning corners on two wheels and will probably think he is an expert driver or hero. In many cases the beginner will try to be as much like that, thought to be, hero as possible, thus more reckless drivers are developing.

Attitude in driving is as important as knowing how to drive.



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## Tenth Grade Entertains with Buffet Luncheon

The tenth grade home making students entertained four special guests and their home-making teacher with a buffet luncheon at 12:00, Thursday.

The special guests included Mrs. Eleanor Bull, Mr. R. V. Harrell, Mr. W. C. Rorer, Mr. E. L. Wright. They were cordially met at the door by Norma Jean Newman and Kay Wilson. Following this, the guests and the students were seated at a table decorated with flower arrangements of black and blue berries, golden bells, and greenery. The main hostess, Charleen Wingard, began the luncheon by welcoming the guests.

They were served chicken salad on lettuce leaves, tomato stuffed with slaw, baked Idaho potatoes

in the jacket, cheese biscuits, mixed pickle, hot chocolate, and caramel cake. This menu was planned by the students—Elizabeth Riggs, Irene Kelly, Norma Jean Newman, Kay Wilson, Ann Joy Peake, and Charleen Wingard.

The table committee, the flower arrangement committee, and the hospitality committees are responsible for this luncheon. Each of the students prepared one dish. As each home economics class finishes a foods unit, it plans and gives an entertainment to become familiar with the rules of etiquette to follow when guests visit in the department.

Mrs. Pusser made this statement when asked her opinion on the buffet luncheon; "The girls have shown much interest and co-operation with each other in giving the buffet luncheon."

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## RICHLAND COUNTY TEACHERS MEET AT BLYTHEWOOD

The Richland County Education Association held its January meeting at Blythewood.

The devotions were given by Mrs. Helen M. Smoak. Five members of the chorus—Ann Smyrl, Irene Meetze, Clarice Lever, Dorothy Paschal, and Maxine Brown—sang "Consecrated Lord to Thee".

Following the business meeting workshops along the grammar, elementary, and high school level were conducted. The leader of the grammar school workshop was W. L. Jackson from Lower Richland; the elementary, Miss Minnie Lee Rowland, elementary supervisor, and the high school, W. C. Rorer.

Preceding the meeting, cookies, cheese biscuits, and cocoa were served by the Blythewood teachers.

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## Widow Brown Weeps At Trial

It started innocently enough. After all, it was simply made up as the journalism class progressed that day; but when lawyer, Thomas McLean, and lawyer, Ann Smyrl, started matching legal wits-----,

The third six weeks period is over, but the trial lingers on in memory. Anyway, the object was to inject a little realism into the study of court procedure. The discussion had centered around homicide - all kinds: fratricide, matricide, uxoricide, suicide, felonious, justifiable, the whole works. Assault, arson, burglary, malicious mischief, they had all played their roles. Then it was time to put these terms into action with a mock trial.

There was "Widow" Brown (Maxine), weeping on the stand, and defendant, Margaret Boatwright, bruised from the knockdown by Miss Brown's car (that "Miss Brown" business aroused murmurs from the jury box, especially when mention was made of her two small children). Witnesses paraded to the stand, some calm, some confused, some practically delirious—all under the stern eye of Judge Curtis Branham.

The trial lasted for four days; turmoil and tears, accompanied

the testimony, but the happy result was the trial's ending—rather than the verdict, rendered in favor of Miss Boatwright. Harmony had been restored and smiling faces replaced those with grim and despair.

The class has entered a new era; writing radio and television scripts, and---Oh, well, the class is on its way again!

## "Bundle Of Joy" Arrives At Wilson Home

MEET "MR HARRY"!

On a warm March 15, in the year 1927, a bouncing bundle of joy, a boy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Wilson. With the heartiest of wails, little Harry McLean Wilson announced his birth into the world. The first thing that entered this well-developed, but untrained mind was — food. This has been the keynote to his well-lived life.

Never has a young mind been so set on fun and mischief. His days at Blythewood were memorable ones to those who remember them.

After navy and college, Mr. Wilson returned to Blythewood as coach and teacher

He is now recognized as a trusted friend of most all of the students. His understanding and encouragement, coupled with his intolerance of second best, inspires students to do their best.

His sense of sportsmanship and fair play is the mainspring of the morale of the athletic teams.

Mr. Wilson has faults and shortcomings, but they are more than balanced by such characteristics as dependability, co-operative-ness, friendliness, versatility, determination and a sense of humor.

Perhaps the main reason for Mr. Wilson's popularity is the fact that he has not forgotten his own school days.

HAVE YOU BOUGHT  
YOUR YEARBOOK?  
THEN READ THIS

The school yearbook, Blythe-Spirit, has been completed and is being printed at the American Yearbook Company in Owatonna, Minnesota.

The yearbook, which costs us approximately \$600 to publish, is now on sale to students for \$2.50. A deposit of \$1.50 must be made now and the balance of \$1.00 due when the annual arrives. This amount is very reasonable.

Place your order now, before it is too late.

Louise Swygert  
Editor



## School To Have Outdoor Basketball Courts

Blythewood School is improving in the line of sports. The Agriculture boys, along with Mr. R. W. Harrell, are planning to set up three new basketball courts on the side of the baseball field behind the school.

The plans for these out door basket ball courts and the arrangements for the material were made during the Christmas Holidays.

The Blythewood P-TA is buying two of the courts for the school and the board of trustees is buying the other one. The purpose for these courts is to take some of the pressure from the gymnasium and give all of the students a chance to take part in this sport.

## Real Snow, Beautiful Snow

When the first bus arrived on Monday, January 24, Blythewood School had an almost celestial look. Pure white snow made everything cold and quiet and still and oh, so peaceful! Five minutes after the buses began to arrive, the calm was ended; once again the air was filled with snow, this time in the form of balls—hard, cold, stinging balls. But, it was fun!

The grammar school chillun ran and jumped and shouted all over the back yard as soon as they hopped off the bus. The high school students were a little slower, at first they just stood around and commented on the beauty of the snow and how long it had been since they had seen so much snow; but then they got the fever too. All

over the front yard—friend against friend, teacher against student, big 'un against little 'un—everybody fought! By the time the bell rang, almost all the available snow in front of the school had been thrown at someone.

At recess, the crowd of warriors was even bigger. Now they moved over in front of the agriculture building for a new supply of ammunition. Someone even tore down the snow man on top of Tub Jones' bus. Long and fierce raged the battle, but at last it was ended by the bell.

By lunch period, most of the snow had melted and when the last bell rang, only a few stout hearts even tried to find enough snow for a snowball. Now that day seems like a happy dream, and everyone wishes, as one grammar school student did, that we had sealed some of the snow in a jar to save until this summer. —Ann Smyrl

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# With The FBLA

## Blythewood Chapter Of Future Business Leaders Go To Lower Richland For Installation

A chapter of Future Business Leaders of America was installed in Lower Richland High School recently by the local FBLA chapter. Ann Smyrl, authorized representative of the State Chapter, conducted the installation service, then presented the charter and the membership cards to the new group.

Maxine Brown, Judith Ann Wingard, Ruth Hawley, Dorothy Paschal, Louise Swygert, Bobby Wooten, Maedell Moore, and Clarice Lever participated on the program. They were accom-

panied on the trip by their sponsor, Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler.

After the installation service the Blythewood group was invited into the lunchroom where they were served delicious refreshments by the officers of the Lower Richland Chapter, assisted by their sponsor, Miss Mary S. Scaffe. Later Virginia Spires and Grace Adams conducted a tour of the building and grounds which was thoroughly enjoyed.

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## Candlelight Induction Service For New Members

New members were formally inducted into the Blythewood Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America on February 4 in the high school auditorium.

Angela Fulmer, presented the initiates. They were: Lenora Abell, Peggy Blume, Margaret Boatwright, Curtis Branham, Martha Jean Finley, Ann Frick, Marion Knox, Clarice Lever, Lula Mae Loner, Sylvia Maples, Peggy Mattox, Thomas Neil McLean, Anne Newton, Dorothy Paschal, Baynard Rodgers, John Swygert, Betty Trapp and Melba Wise

Short talks were made by Jan Wingard, Bobby Wooten, Louise

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Swygert, and Maedell Moore explaining of the letters FBLA. The name by which the organization is generally known. Maxine Brown explained the purposes for which the organization was formed.

The official FBLA song was first sung by Clarice Lever and Dorothy Paschal as a duet after which the entire group joined in the singing, with Ruth Hawley as accompanist.

The speaker, Mr. John Harden, Assistant Personnel Director, of the Carolina Life Insurance Company of Columbia, was introduced by Rebecca Bass.

Elsie LeGrand conducted the devotions.

Officers of the Blythewood Chapter are: Ann Smyrl, president; Albert Ross, vice president; Bobby Wooten, secretary; Angela Fulmer, treasurer, and Maedell Moore, reporter

Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler is sponsor.

## Students To Attend State Meeting Of FBLA

The Future Business Leaders of America State Convention dates are Thursday, February 24, and Friday, February 25, and the Wade Hampton Hotel will be the headquarters again this year. The registration desk will remain open Thursday afternoon, Thursday night and Friday morning on the mezzanine floor of the hotel. Dancing will be Thursday night from nine to twelve o'clock with the Blue Notes Orchestra furnishing the music.

The opening session of the convention will begin at ten o'clock Friday morning at one of the high schools, contests will be held

Friday afternoon in the Palmetto and American Legion rooms, and the convention will close with the banquet which is scheduled to begin at 6:15 in the Wade Hampton ball room.

A luncheon for the sponsors will be planned for Friday, in the Hotel Wade Hampton. Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler will have charge of this.

Also, there is to be a trip to the Governor's Mansion. Definite plans will be announced later.

Room price at the Wade Hampton will be the same as that of last year—\$3.25 per person with several in each room. The dance and banquet will be approximately \$3.25, and registration fee is 50¢. The banquet will be over in time for those who wish to do so to drive home that night.

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## A Homecoming to Remember

From the foothills to the coast they came. Never had Blythewood School been the host to as large, and probably not as pleased, a gathering.

The scene was the school's first annual homecoming January 14. The chicken supper clicked off as scheduled, with 130 or so served. The basketball girls were introduced individually over the P. A. system at 7 o'clock as the crowd trickled in. At the end of the first quarter, the gym was about  $\frac{3}{4}$  full. At the half all seating space was comfortably taken. When Mr. Alexander, Mr. Stukes, and Mr. Hamilton made their talks the place was packed to the rafters. All guests were received with cordial ovations, and it was evident

that the athletic association had come up with a smashing success. The spectators were jovial and apparently had enjoyed the spanking the Swansea girls took and enthusiastically received the guests between games.

The Blythewood boys romped to an early 22-6 lead over Swansea and held on at 32-16 at the half.

The boys continued their point parade against Swansea in the second half, using reserves freely and rolling up a 62-38 score.

The high point of the evening took place between the halves of the boys' game. 34 candidates for homecoming queen emerged, one at a time, amidst welcoming applause. The  
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colorful display of flowers, and evening finery almost covered the gym floor. Camera bulbs started to pop as top honors for home coming queen were announced. Dorothy Paschal, third place winner; Angela Fulmer, second place winner; and the queen, Margaret Boatwright, were called to the crowning platform in that order. Mr. Rorer took the crown from the blue and gold pillow held by three-year-old Claudia Ann Wilson and crowned Miss Boatwright. He then took the American Beauty roses from three-year old Mary Nell Smith and presented them to the 1955 Homecoming Queen.

Exceeding the most competent estimates, however, was attendance at the big homecoming dance following the ball games. At least 200 persons danced or listened to the music of Dave Merlines Quintet, although two of

the musicians were delayed by a flat tire. Miss Dottie Joye of Yingtrees was a big hit as a singer and the boys had to be pushed out of her range during several tunes.

Total expenses amounted to \$174.78, but the athletic association cleared \$204.52, plus bringing tremendous prestige to the community.

## Something New At Blythewood

A Standard Oil Station was opened by Dan Stevens directly across from the school recently.

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Mr. Rorer has asked pupils not to go across to the station during school hours because of the danger of traffic.

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# On The Sidelines



WITH—THOMAS NEIL

(Written by Harry Wilson at the request of Thomas McLean, the Sports Column writer)

Surpassing pre-season expectations by a large margin, Blythewood teams have won 19 basketball games prior to the Irmo games Feb. 4.

The girls won only two games during the entire season last year, losing 17. They tied two others. With the loss of two graduates, 1954-1955 prospects weren't too bright, but the defensive play of Angela Fulmer, Peggy Blume, and Louise Swygert was strong from the start. Along with the steady shooting of Gwen Lovett, Jack Lovett started picking off rebounds and hooking them in with either hand. Peggy Mettox, a scrappy forward, began to intercept passes with regularity and added plenty of speed to the team's offense. The girls have won ten and lost ten, and with continued drive, they will provide plenty of competition in the District 13 tourney starting Feb. 13. They open with Pelion at 8:00 on the 14th.

Losing four regulars through graduation, the boys had to build from scratch. Howard "Mutt" Peake, who made the team as a ninth grader, was the only holdover for this season.

Concentrating on the fast break and jump shooting, the Indians have won nine games. Their 11 losses include two each to University Hi, Jenkinsville, and Greenbrier, all considered among the best in

their class. Lower Richland, victor over Olympia, won two, and other losses went to Baron DeKalb, Ridgeway, and Irmo. The latter three teams beat the Indians by fairly close margins, and probably were the poorest performances by the local team this year. All three have return games remaining in Blythewood.

Blythewood is working now to strengthen its defenses particularly against long shots. Rebounding is receiving plenty of attention, along with dribbling and ball handling all weak points this year.

The Indians must win three of their four remaining regular season games to hold a .5 record for the season. Besides the Feb. 4 Irmo game, there's the Baron DeKalb game Feb. 8, and the Ridgeway game Feb. 10, all home games. The Indians then journey to Chapin Feb. 11 to close out the regular season.

BUTCH SAYS—

## TEAMS WILL TAKE PART IN DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

The Blythewood Basketball team has been rolling right along since the last edition of Blythe-Words.

The number of games played were 18. Eight were won and 10 were lost. This does not include the tournament at Chapin.

The Blythewood boy's and girl's basketball teams made a good showing in the third annual Chapin Invitational Tournament held recently.

The girls took an easy victory from Little Mountain in the opening game of a triple-header on the first night. The boys followed it up with a somewhat tougher victory over Pomaria, winning in the last two minutes by three points.

They found the going somewhat rougher in the second round, the boys falling at the hands of University High and the girls dropping one from Chapin.

Blythewood will take part in the District 13 tournament to be played at Olympia High School February 14-18.



## In Reading Class Frances Langford Tells Of Costa Rica

" We study, in Costa Rica, the same subjects that you study at Blythewood; except we study Spanish and the history of Costa Rica" so said Frances Langford while speaking to a high school reading class Thursday morning.

This class was particularly interested in Frances' account of her trip down the Crater of a volcano in Costa Rica because this is what the class had been reading this week.

Other interesting facts Frances told were about the schools there. All of the grades are in one room. The main foods of the Costa Ricans are rice, beans, and tortillas (corn cakes).

After washing their clothes, they hang them on a barbed wire fence (the Langford's maid tore one of their best tableclothes this way).

Costa Rica is about the size of West Virginia, and the Capital, San Jose, where Frances lives, is about the size of Columbia. The main sports are football and basketball.

Frances was born in Virginia. When she was two years old, she went to Costa Rica, lived there for two years, came to Washington for one year and since

then, has lived in Costa Rica.

Frances' father, Hendrix Langford, is a graduate of Blythewood High School. He is connected with the United States Department of Agriculture.

## Teachers Provide Evening Of Entertainment

Everyone around Blythewood enjoyed a big evening of entertainment on Monday when a team composed of the teachers of the school and women in the community played some of the girls that are in the Junior Homemakers Association.

Those playing on the women's team were Jane Wilson, Polly Raines, Carolyn Dangler, Ruth King, Olga Grimsley, Zelda Boney, Miriam Pusser, Elizabeth Taylor, Laura Blume and Bessie Lewis.

The cheerleaders for the teachers were Anne Rorer, Helen Smoak, and Jimmy Coutsos. From this you know that quite a lot of noise was made.

Ann Frick, Janice Grimsley, Betty Trapp, Dorothy Nelson, Elizabeth Nelson, Lenora Abell, Jewel Johnson, Sandra Newton, and Kay Wilson made up the J.H.A. team.

The final score was 19-16 in favor of the J.H.A. girls. Betty Trapp was high scorer for the girls with six points. Laura Blume was high for the women, with six points.

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## Individual Statistics

	FGA	FGM	PER	FTA	FTM	PER	TOT
McLean	167	58	35%	60	24	40%	140
Morris	315	106	34%	82	33	40%	245
Peake	201	107	53%	130	70	54%	284
Trapp	319	110	35%	81	30	37%	250
Ross	21	6	29%	19	8	42%	20
Mattox	12	2	17%	6	5	83%	9

FGA - Field goals attempted.

FGM - Field goals made.

PER - Percent of shots made.

FTA - Free throws attempted.

FTM - Free throws made.

TOT - Total points.



# Jimmy and Clyde

-BY CYNTHIA ANN RIGGS

## VALENTINE DAY 1955



## TEACHER PRESENTS GIFT FOR BASHFUL BOY



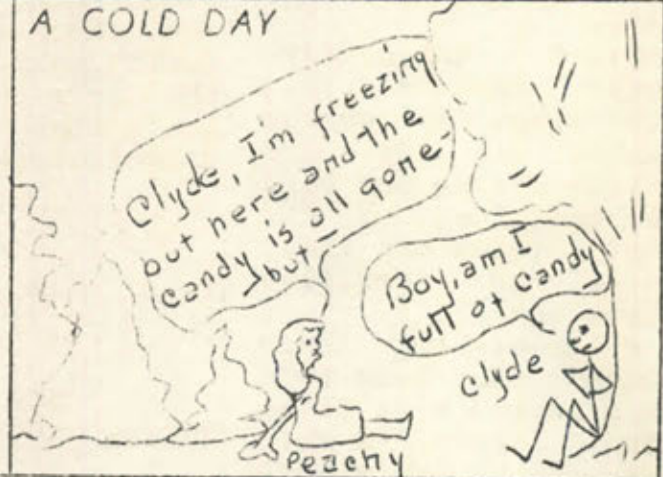
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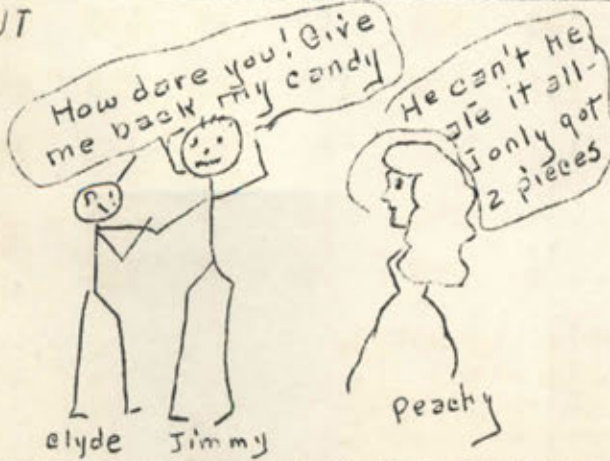
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## THINGS BEGIN TO WARM UP





# Blythe - Words

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## BLYTHE WORDS Wins National Honor Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gives First Place

### Plans Are Announced For The Junior-Senior Banquet

"Lavender and Old Lace" will be the theme for the Junior-Senior Banquet this year to be held Friday evening, April 1, from 8:30 until 11:30. The Kay Phillips Orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion.

The committees are as follows: Decoration Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Harrell, faculty advisors, with Curtis Branham, Robert Byars, Tommy Trapp, Billy Starnes, and John Swygert. Refreshments-Mrs. Pusser, faculty advisor, and Mrs. Lever, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Finley, and Mrs. Starnes, grade-mothers, also Peggy Blume and Lula Mae Loner. Tablecloth-Mrs. Taylor, faculty advisor and Peggy Mattox and Martha Jean Finley Chair-Mrs. Smoak, faculty advisor, and Thomas McLean and Furman Mattox. Table-Mrs. Dangler, faculty advisor, and Ann Frick and Dorothy Paschal. Dishes-Mrs. Poole, faculty advisor,

and Meritta Gardner, Melba Wise, Bernice Kelly and Ann Wooten. Entertainment-Mrs. Zeagler, faculty advisor, and Clarice Lever and Betty Trapp. Invitation-Mr. Wilson, faculty advisor, and Jane Kelly, Dorothy Paschal, and Clarice Lever. Waitress Mrs. Hoffman and Mrs. Pusser, faculty advisors, and Lenora Abell and Ann Frick.

### PRESS CONVENTION TO BE APRIL 21-22

April 21-22 marks the week-end for the annual South Carolina Scholastic Press Association Convention. The convention will be held at Dreher High School, Columbia South Carolina

Blythe-Words has already been entered into the SCSPA Contest. The final judging of the school papers will be announced at the banquet which closes the convention.

### Rating To School Newspaper For Fourth Time

Blythe-Words was selected as one of the nation's top ranking school newspapers last week by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association at its annual convention held in New York City.

It was named first place winner as approximately 4,500 student editors and faculty advisors gathered on the Columbia University campus for the opening of the association's three day meeting. To make first place, a paper had to score between 850 and 1000 points.

The newspapers were classified in groups according to method of production, type of school, and enrollment. Blythe-Words was in the duplicated senior high school classification.

This is the fourth consecutive year that Blythe-Words has won this distinction.



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THE EDITOR SAYS -

## Congratulations

Congratulations to the members of Blythewood School who hold state and district offices and to those who have represented our school in the various contests and other activities.

Thomas Neil McLean was recently elected as state reporter of the Future Business Leaders of America. Baynard Rodgers was his campaign manager.

Dorothy Paschal is District III vice president of the Junior Homemakers Association and is running for state second vice president.

Lula Mae Loner is County JHA president and is running for district president.

Louise Swygert has entered the FELA state spelling contest for two consecutive years. In 1954 she rated second place and did well again this year.

Carol Wilson won the spelling contest among students of the elementary grades in this school and will enter the county spelling contest.

Congratulations!

## Will You Go The Second Mile?

When Roger Bannister, an English medical intern who became history's first four minute miler, was asked to explain the art of running the mile and the art of record-breaking, he replied, "Its the ability to take more out of yourself than you have got."

Bannister's statement in many ways is similar to that portion of the Scriptures which reads, "And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain."

When we have traveled the First Mile of life we have been doing only our duties and necessities. There are many people who live an entire life doing just that, but the person who goes out of his way to help a friend or does more than is required of him, is traveling the Second Mile. It may sometimes bring desperation or a little more work, but that person is the successful winner of life.

So, while we are still students in school and have guidance-lets nurture our opportunities and surmount the First Mile and go out to meet the challenges of the Second Mile.

## ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

Blythewood School and district number two is taking another step forward. Plans are being made to make our schools eligible for  
 (See next page)



membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Self-evaluation is being made of the school by the faculty. A number of committees have been appointed and these committees meet regularly to report their progress.

The purpose of this association is to maintain and encourage the best instruction possible for this region.

The staff of Blythe-Words wishes the district success in this progressive step.

## A Boy's Thoughts

When I was just a little boy,  
I was my mother's pride and joy.

When I become a grown young man,  
I'll still please her if I can.

I think I am my mother's darling,  
I know I am my father's joy.

But to teachers in the school,  
I'm just a very naughty boy.  
Doug Broom  
Grade 7-B

MR MONTGOMERY -

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Reid H. Montgomery, professor of journalism at Winthrop College and director of the South Carolina Scholastic Press Association, has completed his requirements for the Ph. D Degree.

This degree, in higher education, will be awarded him by New York University in June. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wofford College and the Master of Arts Degree from the University of South Carolina.

Congratulations Mr. Montgomery!

## Clarice Lever To Head 1868 Paper

ROBERT BYARS ASSISTANT EDITOR

"Impeachment Proceedings - Fall Again!" Strange words to all papers but one, in the year of our Lord 1955, but common in the headlines of the papers of 1868 and in The Columbia Rebel, 1955.

Perhaps some of you have never heard of The Columbia Rebel (yes, it is Rebel and not Record), so I would like to tell you something about it. It all began when we finished studying Reconstruction and wondered how the news looked in the papers of that time, so we decided we would write a paper and then we'd know.

"Right off the bat", I was chosen editor. (Of course, Thomas Neil almost beat me-but-that's all right, I won!) Robert Byars was chosen as my assistant-and a right able assistant he was, too. Lula Mae Loner was chosen art editor.

With this business aside, we needed a name for our paper. I'll bet you'd never guess who suggested the name-John Swygert! I know he could do something besides being the official class-warrior.

Then the problem of news arose. The Ku Klux Klan came to life. Congress brought impeachment proceedings against President Johnson, the Negroes were given the right to vote, and the transcontinental railroad was built. Carpetbaggers and Scalawags came into power in the state legislature.

South Carolina suffered terribly. (I still got "mad" with those adjectives missing-yankoes!)

We fought the war all over again. We didn't win it, but I haven't heard anybody say anything about moving "up North".

By: Clarice Lever



# How Much Do You Know About Cancer?

27¢ goes to research, 24¢ to service to patients, 25¢ to education, 7¢ to medical service grants, 10¢ fund raising, and 7¢ administration.

Early cancer can be cured. All of us, working together, can live in a happier and healthier world, free from this dreadful disease.

-Anne Frick

How much do you know about cancer? Realizing that many of us know so little, so I would like to tell you some statistical facts about it.

Cancer will, at some time, strike one in every four Americans, according to present estimates. It is estimated that more than 10,000,000 Americans now living will at some time develop cancer. Out of every seven deaths in the United States, one is caused by cancer. Every day approximately 650 Americans die of cancer. If the present death rates continue, 24,000,000 Americans now living will die of cancer. There is one cancer death approximately every two minutes. Last year, every seven minutes, on the average, another American was saved from dying of cancer. Every seven minutes, on the average, another American who might have been saved dies of cancer because proper treatment was begun too late. Last year, perhaps 75,000 cancer patients who might have been saved died because proper treatment was begun too late. Last year, perhaps 75,000

Americans were saved from dying of cancer and more than 230,000 died of cancer. Last year, more men than women died of cancer and cancer took the lives of some 3,500 children (under 15 years of age). Last year, cancer of the lung killed approximately 24,000 Americans, about seven times as many in 1933. It is estimated that this year there will be about a half million new cancer cases in the United States. At present rates, of every four people who get cancer, one will be saved, and three will die of the disease.

What can we do to combat this deadly disease? First of all, we should know the seven danger signals: any sore that does not heal, a lump or thickening, in the breast or elsewhere, any unusual bleeding or discharge, any change in a wart or mole, persistent indigestion or difficulty in swallowing, persistent hoarseness or cough, any change in normal bowel habits.

We can contribute our dollars to the American Cancer Society. In each of these dollars we contribute

## JUNIORS TO PRESENT COMEDY

"A Pair of Country Kids", a comedy in three acts will be presented on May 6 by the junior class.

The cast of characters are as follows: Mrs. Sarah Starr, proprietress of the Starr House, Dorothy Paschal; April Starr, her daughter, Lula Mae Loner; "Sis" Spooner, maid-of-all-work at the Starr House, Betty Trapp; Lucindy Appleby, who wants a first husband, Lenora Abell; Susan Grimes, who wants a second husband, Peggy Mattox; "Hi" Hawkins, the village pest, Thomas Neil McLean; Ambrose Sneggins, a horse doctor, John Swygert; Philip West, a young lawyer, Furman Mattox; Arthur Roberts, a guest at the Starr House, Curtis Branham, and Albert Roomer, another guest, Tommy Trapp.

The entire action of the play takes place in the office of the Starr House at Joggins Junction.



# JHA-FFA Banquet

The Junior Homemakers Association and the Future Farmers Association of Blythewood School held a JHA-FFA Banquet in the school cafeteria on Friday, at 8:00 for the JHA girls and their mothers also the FFA boys and their fathers. Approximately 125 people attended this banquet.

The banquet began when Mr. Charlie Wilson gave the invocation. Following this, Clarice Lever, president of the Blythewood JHA Chapter and serving as mistress of ceremonies, gave a warm welcoming speech to the mothers. The response to this was made by a guest, Mrs. Tom Wilds who expressed the sincere appreciation of the mothers attending this banquet.

Howard Peake, president of the Blythewood FFA Chapter and serving as master of ceremonies, gave a welcoming speech which was followed by Mr. L. L. Legrand who gave a response expressing the gratitude of the fathers who were present.

A number of special guests were then introduced by Clarice Lever and Howard Peake. They included: Mr. E. L. Wright, superintendent of our school district number

2, and Mrs. Wright; Mr. W. E. Gore, state supervisor of vocational agricultural education, and Mrs. Gore; Mr. W. D. Grimsley, a trustee of school district number 2, and Mrs. Grimsley; Mr. J. R. Wilson, a trustee of school district number 2, and Mrs. Wilson; also Mr. Charlie Wilson, a member of the Richland County Board of Education.

A skit on the theme of the banquet, "In the Spring A Young Man's Thoughts Lightly Turn to Thoughts of Love", was presented by Jan Wingard and Jimmy Fulmer. They were assisted by a chorus which was composed of Dorothy Paschal, Elton Legrand, Carroll Morris, and Clarice Lever. Kay Wilson served as pianist.

The menu consisted of orange juice, barbecued chicken, lima beans, rice, tossed green salad, hot rolls, butter, coffee, cherry pie a la mode, nuts and mints.

Mrs. Miriam Pusser, the local JHA Chapter advisor and Mr. R. W. Harrell, Jr. the local FFA Chapter advisor and Miss Mary Gertrude Durrant, a student teacher, were responsible for the planning of this banquet.

# BETA CLUB ENTERTAINS STUDENTS

The Beta Club presented a one act farce - comedy "Dear Lady, Be Brave," to the student body on Thursday morning.

Characters were: A young business man, Howard Peake; three single girls, Miss Sweet, Clarice Lever; Miss Nellie Montgomery, Margaret Boatwright; Miss McLendon, Ann Smyrl; Fungus, the colored janitor; Carroll Morris; and Dr. Clark, a young physician, Curtis Branham.

A special guest, Pamela Johnson, performed and then several of the Beta Club members sang "Melody of Love" and "Chapel in the Moonlight."

The proceeds from the Beta program will be used to finance the members' trip to the state Beta Club Convention in Columbia. One of the highlights of the Convention is the talent contest. Blythewood is honored this year in that Mr. Rorer has been asked to act as one of the three judges of the contest.

The Beta Club plans to start its clean-up campaign next week. Each week two Beta members will inspect the rooms and at commencement certificates will be presented to the winners. May the best housekeeper win.



STUDENTS  
PARTICIPATE IN  
HOME PROJECTS

Home projects from the schools of district three were graded by the Richland County JHA officers and the local JHA advisors at Eau Claire High School on Friday.

Blythewood had three representatives attend this meeting. They were Mrs. Miriam Pusser, local JHA advisor; Miss Mary Gertrude Durant, a student teacher from Columbia College; and Lula Mae Loner, Richland County JHA president.

These home projects were placed on tables where each was graded by the representatives from three different schools. After this refreshments were served by the Eau Claire JHA Chapter.

Each school had the opportunity to enter two home projects. A re-finished chair was entered by Norma Jean Newman, and a duster, by Kay Wilson.

H. Y. HINNANT

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Sophomores  
Entertain  
The Seniors

The seniors were delightfully entertained by the sophomores in the gymnasium on Wednesday evening.

Using the spring motif, the table was decorated with green and white crepe paper and yellow flowers. Elsewhere about the gym, green and white streamers were used.

After bingo, dancing, and the playing of several games, refreshments, consisting of lime sherbet punch, pimento cheese sandwiches and cake were served by Mrs. C. D. Newman, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, Margaret Walker, and Charleen Wingard.

Forty-four sophomores, seniors, and teachers attended the party

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# Journalism Class Visits Brickyard At Richtex

Harry M. Wilson and Jane E. Wilson, along with the journalism class and the seventh and eighth grade students, visited Richtex Brickyard, Friday.

Members of the seventh and eighth grades had been studying a brick kiln in their reading class. They wanted to go to Richtex to see the operations of the brickyard and asked the journalism class if they would like to accompany them on their trip. Of course, the journalism class accepted the invitation immediately, because as one stated, "Anything to get out of class."

Friday approached, cloudy, dark, and gloomy. Rain was impending. The students left school on a bus, with Tommy Trapp as its driver at approximately 9 a.m.

As they arrived at the brickyard, Mr. Wiles met them and conducted the tour. They saw the process of how the particles in the clay were made smaller and smaller. At the end of this process the clay was mixed with water; then a machine cut the long layers of the mixture into individual bricks. It was then taken to the kiln to be baked and made into solid brick. Mr. Wiles said they made 130,000 bricks a day.

While the group was observing the process of brickmaking it had begun to rain outside. In spite of the wet heads and muddy shoes, the group arrived at the schoolhouse approximately at 11 a.m., with every intention of being a brick maker. This was an educational trip for each one.

-Dorothy Paschel

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## New Students Are Interviewed

Charles Cordell, a tenth grader and former student of Beaufort High School, is now a familiar sight around the campus of Blythewood High. When asked his age, he said he would rather not have it printed. His hobby is drawing and going on trips.

Other new students are Harold Boozer and his sister, Helen Boozer. When asked his first opinion of the school, Harold was quoted as saying, "I like it a lot better than Greenville High!" Harold is fifteen and is a sophomore; he likes all sports; his favorite color is blue and he loves all food.

Helen is twelve and a half and is in the seventh grade. Her favorite pass time is playing the piano. She

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likes the color blue and, as her brother, loves all food. Her favorite actor is Rock Hudson and her favorite actress is Debbie Reynolds.

We welcome to our school, Charles, Harold, and Helen. We're glad to have you with us.

*Mrs. J.R. Wilson*

*Heads P-TA*

Mrs. J.R. Wilson was elected president of the Parent-Teachers Association at its monthly meeting. Mrs. Wilson has been serving as secretary.

Mrs. H.B. McLean, retiring president, presided. Final plans for the annual chicken supper were made.

Mrs. Elton Wilson gave the devotions. Mrs. King's first grade was the winner of the attendance award.

## MASCOTS MAKE INITIAL

## APPEARANCE

Becky Price and Van Langford, the mascots for the senior class, made their first public appearance at the senior play.

They entertained the audience with the song "Little Teapot".

Becky was wearing a yellow tafetta evening dress, covered with net, carrying a bouquet of yellow carnations, tied with a blue ribbon.

Van was wearing a tan shirt, brown pants, a cream coat and a yellow bow tie.

Becky is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Price of Blythewood; and Van is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Langford of Blythewood.

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## Band Makes First Public Appearance

The band of school district number 2, composed of players from Blythewood and Dentsville Schools, made its first public appearance recently at a basketball game between the teachers and the members of the Parent-Teachers Association.

The band played several marches written and arranged by Harold Bennett. The number one hit tune, "Melody of Love", was also played as well as the Alma Mater.

The purpose of the game was to make money to purchase playground equipment for the primary grades.

The final score was teachers 18-parents 9.

## READING CLASS WRITES PLAY

"His dream became a reality because of his unceasing work and determination", so said Narrator Janice Grimsley in concluding the Louis Pasteur play written and produced by the reading class composed of members of the seventh and eighth grades.

Hubert Hass, acting in a manner that would have made Pasteur happy, had the leading role. Pasteur's mother and father were played by Pamela Johnson and Joe Spires, respectively. Judy Woods acted as Pasteur's wife.

All members of the reading class assisted in producing the play.

Juvenile Delinquent-  
A Teenager that acts  
like his parents.  
W.O.W. Magazine

## FBLA MEETS IN CHICAGO

The fourth National Convention of FBLA will be held in the Hotel Morrison in Chicago, June 12-14.

More will be said about this in the next issue of Blythe-Words, but Blythewood expects to be represented at this meeting.

## Mr. Wilson Gives Lecture

Elton W. Wilson, who has studied radio and television, lectured to the journalism class for three days on the operational side of each of these.

After the lectures, the class touched on the advertising, announcing, and programming aspects. This was followed by each class member demonstrating what he had learned by presenting a radio program.

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## JHA Seal Originated At Blythewood

Have you ever noticed the seal of the Junior Homemakers Association in the home economics department of Blythewood School? That seal, which is the seal for the JHA of South Carolina, originated at Blythewood School. Mrs. Thomas Ervin, formerly Miss Louise Cartledge, who was the first home economics teacher at Blythewood, was chairman of the four-person committee in 1937 that planned the JHA organization for South Carolina. Miss Louise Collins of Blaney, Miss Eunice Coggins of Kinards and Miss Rosebud Hinson of Duncan served on the committee with Mrs. Ervin. Mrs. Ervin drew the emblem in color in 1939.

## SENIORS HOPE TO SEE WASHINGTON

With the proceeds from the Valentine Festival, Senior play, fish fry and other money making projects, the seniors are planning a trip to Washington, D.C.

We will each contribute to the class fund to raise the required amount of money for the trip.

## FLOWERS FOR THE JUNIOR-SENIOR

With the Junior-Senior coming up April 1, which is not very far away--may we suggest that the boys send flowers to their dates early. Then if they do not look well with her dress, she will have ample time to have them changed.

## A Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,  
up Above  
Please Protect The  
Boy I Love,  
Always Keep Him Safe  
And Sound,  
Wherever He Is; With  
Whom He Is Found.  
And, Heavenly Father,  
Help Me Be,  
The Kind Of Girl He  
Expects Of Me.  
Please, Dear God,  
Help Him See,  
Just How Much He  
Means To Me.  
I Now Pray To Thee  
Please Open His Heart  
With A Golden Key.  
Though He Sometime  
Seems To Care  
It Is Very Rare.  
So, Dear God,  
Help Him See,  
Just How Much He  
Means To Me.  
Amen  
Dorothy Mattox

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# Blythewood Takes Part In State FBLA Convention

The State Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America met in the Wade Hampton Hotel, Columbia, the last of February.

Louise Swygert represented Blythewood in the spelling contest and received a certificate as a local chapter winner.

Thomas McLean was elected reporter for FBLA in South Carolina for another year. Baynard Rodgers served as his campaign manager.

Edward Taylor, immediate past president of the state chapter, and a former member of the Blythewood Chapter was among the special guest at both the con-

vention dance and the banquet.

Ann Smyrl, gave the invocation at the banquet and was among the guests seated at the head table.

Mrs. Sara K. Zeagler was in charge of the sponsor's luncheon, which was held in the hotel coffee shop. Sponsors from 24 chapters attended.

Blythewood Chapter, accompanied by Ruth Hawley, led the convention in singing the FBLA song.

Those attending from Blythewood chapter in addition to those already mentioned were: Bobby Wooten and Butch Ross (official delegates); John Swygert, Maxine Brown, Margaret Boatright, Martha Jean Finley, Maedell Moore, Dorothy Paschal, Lula Mae Loner and Clarice Lever.

Blythewood, not only keeps its pages in the scrapbook up-to-date,

but has had taken care of all the scrapbook work for the state association for the last two years.

## Library News

A worthy contribution to the library was discussed and then voted upon at the meeting of the Library Club on Wednesday.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Rebecca Bass. The roll was called and the minutes were read by Ann Frick, secretary.

A letter concerning the state scrapbook was read by the sponsor, Estelle R. Hinnant. The club hopes to have a page in the state scrapbook.

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# On The Sidelines



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## Future Brighter For Athletics At Blythewood

During the last ten post-war years, Blythewood's athletic teams have struggled along with no set budget whatsoever to work with.

To field a football team, requires an expensive budget and a fairly large student body. So, for this understandable reason Blythewood has not fielded a football team.

Basketball was, is, and probably always will be the main sport at the school both in player participation and spectator wise. Officials depended upon the basketball receipts to support both basketball teams and the baseball team. No other sport was offered.

Two years ago a consolidation program with Dentsville was inaugurated. This did not and will not affect the separate athletic programs of the schools except that it might give students of Blythewood a chance to play football with Dentsville in the near future, probably next year.

This year has seen Blythewood's athletic fortunes change a great deal, financially speaking. Largely through the sustained efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, the Athletic Association was organized. The A. A. has sold ice cream during lunch periods, had charge of the concession stands at the ball games, and sponsored the first homecoming which was a big success.

Because of these promotions the Association was able to spend

about 300 dollars on baseball equipment and 135 dollars on basketball equipment and at present has \$277.05 to its credit with no outstanding bills.

The Athletic Association figures to end the year with around \$300. At present the indefinite plans are to provide new basketball uniforms for both boys and girls teams next year.

Yes, the future ahead seems very bright.

BUTCH SAYS -

## BASEBALL FEVER RUNNING HIGH NOW

BHS WINS FROM EAU CLAIRE 2-0

With the closing of basketball season, the baseball fever returned to Blythewood. As soon as the basketball shoes were thrown aside until next year, the baseball "spikes" were picked up. The basketball put away and the baseball taken out.

Practice started and many stout hearted boys were on the field to show their good arm and batting eye. The field rang with the sound of the crack of the bat and the shouts of the boys and the coach as well. "Pass it around the horn," "ham and eggs," "hit three, bunt two."

Then practice was over and game time was here. The Blythewood club opened the season at Swansea, Monday the 14th, with Blythewood losing 9-2.

The following Thursday, Blythewood shined and took Eau Claire 2-0. "Bones" Sharpe took the pitching hand and "Tub" Jones' single with the bases loaded accounted for the score.

Swansea returned to Blythewood for the next game and won 13-6. Blythewood's boys will meet Eau Claire again Tuesday the 22nd.

Hope they come home victorious.



# Jimmy and Clyde

CYNTHIA ANN RIGGS

## CONCERNING THE JUNIOR-SENIOR

Are you going to the Jr-Sr?



Yes, and this year I'm bringing the girls

Bet I'll get the prettiest one

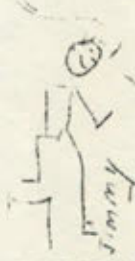
Only if it's a blind date

### BE CAREFUL

I'm going to get orchids for my girl

Get some for me too

Oh, see you at the banquet



### THINKING

So... he plans to let me pay for his flowers we'll see



### THAT NIGHT

That pretty girl must be mine



Here's your date and instead of flowers I got you some bulbs



Oh yipe never I'll fit him



### AND SO GOES THE EVENING

you want to sit some more

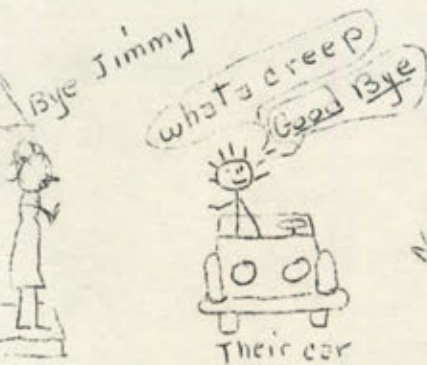


we've danced all evening and wasn't it a wonderful banquet

you've made it wonderful Clyde Darling

### THE GIRLS ARE TAKEN HOME -

Bye Jimmy  
what a creep  
Bye



No time for words



### AFTERWARDS -

YOU WONDER WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT? WE DO TOO.

Jimmy  
I'm really dreaming now









# Blythe - Words

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ANN SMYRL AND  
LOUISE SWYGERT ARE  
HONOR GRADUATES

## Commencement Plans Are Announced Today

Ann Smyrl and Louise Swygert, on the basis of their scholastic averages, will deliver the valedictory and salutatory addresses at commencement exercises at 8 o'clock on the evening of June 1.

Ann has 22 A's and 10 B's; Louise has 10 A's and 21 B's.

Other honor graduates are Rebecca Bass, Ruth Hawley, and Maxine Brown. All five of these students have been members of the Beta Club since the tenth grade.

With the presentation of the play, "Hats Off" on Friday, May 27, at 8 p. m. the commencement exercises will get under way.

This play depicts an election campaign spiced with lively songs and parodies and presented in an unusual way.

AGAIN  
BLYTHE-WORDS  
Wins  
ALL-STATE  
Rating

The commencement sermon will be held on May 29 at 11 a.m. The Invocation will be by Rev. G.H.C. Parks, of the Blythwood Lutheran Parish. The sermon will be preached by Dr. J. Elwood Welch, Interim Pastor of Sandy Level Baptist Church of Blythwood; the Benediction, by Rev. Donald W. Ragin, of the Ridgeway Methodist Circuit.

Graduation exercises, entitled "Long Trail to Tomorrow", will be held June 1, at 8 p.m. The participants include the Valedictorian, the First Traveler; Salutatorian, the Second Traveler; the Voice of the Stranger; Singers; Speaking chorus, an alumnae; a faculty member, and the principal.

Four juniors—Clarice Lever, Dorothy Paschal, Furman Mattox, and Billy Starnes—will serve as marshals for the seniors.

## Ninth Grade To Present "The Neighbors"

The ninth grade will present at an early date a play, The Neighbors, by Zona Gale. Characters are as follows—

Grandma, Barbere Ann Jones; Mis' Diantha Abel, Claudia Jo Dyches; Ezra William, Ray Sharpe; Peter, Jack Rowe; Inez, Barbara Fulmer; Mis' Elmira Moran, Dot Mattox; Mis' Trot, Jewel Johnston; Mis' Carry Ellsworth, Cynthia Rigg

The date will be announced later. The proceeds from the play will be used to help finance the Sophomore-

Senior next year.

Miss Jane Thornton, a student teacher, assisted by Mrs. Mirian S. Puseer has been teaching the ninth grade home economics class a unit on simple nursing. The students have already learned how to make a bed, take temperature, count pulse rates, check respiration per minute, give medicine and bathe a patient.

Plans are being made to visit the Baptist Hospital.

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## EDITORIAL

# Memories!

When the Blythe-Words Staff was chosen last September, an atmosphere of excitement and honor filled the air. Each new member of the staff had one desire which was to do as good a job as the preceding staff. Carrying that thought in mind, the 1954-55 staff has emerged a victorious year. Blythe-Words has won an All State rating, represent-

ing a period of achievement, and has won national honor.

Even though there are problems and responsibility to share, while publishing a paper, there seems to be a little emptiness for the desire to have just one more publication as we publish our last issue.

Even as we wish we had more issues of our paper to publish, we realize that the time has come to hand the reigns to the rising staff.

Blythe-Words staff wishes much success to the new staff. May you have a year of happiness and victory in reaching your ultimate goal

"Thank You"

You Have Been Wonderful

"I will be glad when I am a senior," that has been the quotation of every present senior at some time or other. When we became seniors we felt very grown-up and sophisticated, but now that the time is fast approaching for our graduation we don't feel so grown-up after all. The time has arrived when we must go out into the vast world.

To all the teachers of our school who have taught, guided and co-operated in all our undertakings we say, "Thank you." You have been wonderful.

May The Good Lord Bless And Keep You, Whether near or far away, May you find that long awaited golden day today.

May your troubles all be small ones, And your fortune ten times ten.

May The Good Lord Bless And Keep You till we meet again.

May you walk with sunlight shining And a bluebird in every tree, May there be a silver lining, Back of every cloud you see.

Fill your dreams with sweet tomorrows, Never mind what might have been, May the Good Lord Bless And Keep You till we meet again.



LOUISE SWYBERT TELLS ABOUT—

## A Dream That Came True

Blythewood High School seniors have at last attained the goal for which we worked for and have looked forward to for several years. It was our tour of the United States Capitol, Washington, D.C.

We left the school on Monday, May 2, at 5:30 A.M. on a special bus chartered through the Eagle Bus Lines Inc., with Mr. Ted Davis, driver. Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor and Mrs. Q.M. Hawley were chaperones. There were twenty seniors boarding this bus and we were all overjoyed at the realization that the time of this long awaited trip had actually arrived.

Monday was taken up with traveling. We arrived in Petersburg, Virginia around 4:00 P.M. and viewed The Crater, which was a scene of destruction for the Confederate soldiers during the Civil War and also the statue marking the end of the Confederate line to the North. We then registered at the King Carter Hotel in Richmond for the night.

### WE SEE WASHINGTON

The next morning was spent going to Washington. We saw many interesting and inspirational sights on the way. Some were the home of George Washington, Mount Vernon, Pohick Church, the church Washington attended, and the statue of the men posting the American flag on Iwo Jima.

When we arrived in Washington we saw many things such as the Smithsonian Institute which if you were to go through the entire place and spend one minute on each article it would take eleven years to go through it. We saw the Jefferson Memorial and the Lincoln Memorial. At the zoo there were many animals from remote parts of the earth which you would be unable to see anywhere else. At the Capitol Build-

ing we sat in the Senate and the House of Representatives for a few minutes and we also saw the magnificent paintings in the dome of the capitol. We also visited the Federal Bureau of Printing and Engraving where we saw the processes in printing paper money.

A thrilling and breath taking experience for all was when we went to the top of the Washington Monument which is about 555 feet high.

### A MOONLIGHT RIDE ON THE POTOMAC

On Tuesday night we went on a moonlight cruise on the Potomac River on a boat along with about 900 other students. The boat, "Mount Vernon", had four decks. The top two decks were for sight seeing. The second was for dancing and the first was the snack bar. The cruise to Marshall Island lasted for two hours. We stayed at the amusement park for forty-five minutes and then began the return trip.

The next day we visited the White House, the home of the President of the United States. Later we went to Glen Echo, an amusement park, where most of us rode on the roller-coaster, which was the thrill of a lifetime. Both nights were spent in the Dallas Tourist Home.

Before leaving Washington, we visited with our Senator J. Strom Thurmond, who talked so nice to all of us and offered his services in making our stay in Washington a very pleasant one.

On the way back we saw the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the impressive ceremony of the changing of the guards and paying tribute to the unknown soldiers who gave their lives in World War II.

### NATURAL BRIDGE AND ENDLESS CAVERNS

Natural Bridge, Virginia proved interesting and inspiring to the class as a whole. The pageant of beautiful music and colored lights and moonlight brought sighs and  
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## ANN SMYRL

## Interviews The Seniors

Being endowed with the curiosity of a cat may get you into trouble, but it also has its advantages. For instance, by nosing around a bit I found that Bobby Wooten and Ruth Hawley both plan to enter Newberry College this fall, and Butch Ross hopes to do the same. Louise Swygert, following the example set by her older sisters, intends to go to Winthrop College.

Angela Fulmer, Sylvia Maples, and Jan Wingard confided that they hope to go to business school. Evidently they have all enjoyed the "taste" of business education Mrs. Zeagler has given them.

Louise Roberts, Mattie Fulmer, Jacq Lovett, Gwen Lovett, and Anne Newton plan to put their commercial training to immediate use by getting office jobs right away. Patricia Wooten isn't so confident, she is going to work a while and then if she thinks she needs it, she will go on to some business school.

Maedell Moore is a crazy mixed-up kid-she can't decide between going to work, business school, and Brigham Young University.

Baynard Rodgers has great ambition for the distant future; but what he'll do now is

anybody's guess, including his own.

Both Maxine Brown and Margaret Boatwright plan to work for a while and then go into nurse's training. Rebecca Bass is also considering a nursing career.

If you are wondering what Roberta Frick is going to do, take a look at the third finger on her left hand.

Me? Oh, I'm going to Columbia College, I hope.

Beta Club  
Contributes To  
Scholarship Fund

The Beta Club contributed five dollars to the Beta Club Scholarship Fund at the State Convention held in Columbia last Friday and Saturday. This fund helps send some worthy student through college who otherwise could not go.

Key Wilson, Carrol Morris, Charleen Wingard, and Miss Rorer attended the business meetings, banquet and dance. Melba Wise, Howard Peake, Carrol Morris, Ann Joy Peake, and Curtis Branham attended the talent show. Mr. Rorer was one of the judges of the talent show.

STUDENTS ATTEND  
SCSPA CONVENTION

Maxine Brown, Clarize Lever, Lula Mae Loner, and Miss Anne Rorer attended the South Carolina Scholastic Press Association convention at Dreher High School.

Registration lasted from 10:00 - 1:00 P.M. in the lobby of the Dreher auditorium. The invocation was given by J.K. Blum, principal of Dreher High School. A mixed chorus from Dreher furnished music. Dr. Laurence R. Campbell, Dean of the School of Journalism at Florida State University gave an address on "Fighting Leaders of the Press." Various clinic sessions were held during the afternoon.

A drop-in was held on the roof of Cornell Arms apartments before the dance at the Jefferson Hotel Ballroom. Woody Woodward and his orchestra furnished the music.

Friday morning, reports of committees were given and the election of officers for 1956 was held.

Vocational discussions were held during the afternoon.

The school of Journalism at the University of South Carolina entertained the group with an open house.

Friday night, Mrs. Sara Zeagler and Maxine Brown along with the other delegates, attended the banquet at Laurel Hill, where all SCSPA awards were made.



## PLEASE MEET DOROTHY PASCHAL

Dorothy Paschal, a junior, joined the Junior Homemakers Association when she was in the ninth grade. At the end of her ninth year she was elected president of her local chapter. In her tenth year she was nominated by her chapter as a candidate for vice-president of District III. On March 6, 1954, at Eau Claire High School she won the election. In February of 1955, she was nominated by her chapter to be a candidate for State second vice-president. To win this election she would have to go through the county, district, and then on to the state.

In February at the meeting of the Richland County Junior Homemakers Association she ran against other candidates from that county. At this meeting she was elected to be the candidate for the state organization.

From here she went to the district to compete with other girls who had won in their counties. At this meeting she was one of the two girls elected to go to the state meeting at Winthrop.

Now politics were at an exciting point because one of these two girls would be elected. On April 23, Dorothy won the election as State second vice president of the Junior Homemakers Association.

## Students Attend Winthrop College Open House

Melba Wise, Meritta Gardner, Charleen Wingard, Elizabeth Riggs, Kay Wilson and Norma Jean Newman attended the open house of Winthrop College home economics department on May 5 and 6. They were accompanied with Mrs. C.D. Newman, Mrs. Elton Wilson and Mrs. Miriam Pusser.

The group left Blythewood at 3 o'clock Thursday evening and arrived at Winthrop College at 5 P. M.

Some highlights were, "Salads on Parade", showing the different varieties of salads, a demonstration on how to use kitchen appliances, a talk on lighting and wiring, and a tour of the nursery school department, a regular nursery kept by the home-economics students. They later attended a demonstration on kitchen gadgets, a talk on carpets and draperies and the dress review consisting of some dresses designed, made, and modeled by the students. They toured the campus, homemanagement house and cottage. They also attended Vespers Thursday evening.

The group left Winthrop Friday evening with a wider knowledge of home economics and many pleasant memories.

## SCIENCE CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

They are: President, Elizabeth Maples; Vice-president, Horace Peako; Secretary, Anne Langford; Treasurer, Peggy Kelly; Reporter, Laverne Mattox; and Program Chairman, Sue Hagood.

## Activities Of The State JHA

Dorothy Paschal, a junior, was elected second vice-president of the state-wide Junior Homemakers Association at a meeting held at Winthrop College, from Friday through Sunday.

Miss Ella Wyman, supervisor of District III accompanied Dorothy to Winthrop College.

On Friday night Dorothy made her campaign speech for state second vice-president. The following day the delegates voted and she was elected.

The new officers elected were:  
President--Jackie Dove  
First vice-president--  
-----Nancy Snelgrove  
Second vice-president--  
-----Dorothy Paschal  
Secretary-----  
-----Libba Alexander  
Reporter-----  
-----Elaine Proctor

The new officers were installed Sunday and left for home that evening with a better knowledge of the activities of the state wide J.H.A.



# STUDENTS HELP RUN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Dorothy Paschal, Clarice Lever, Thomas Neil McLean, and Curtis Branham, all members of the eleventh grade, recently had the opportunity of learning first hand how the government is run in Richland County.

Youth Government Day is sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Elks. The VFW sponsors the county and the Elks, the city government.

The purpose of this is to encourage students, while they are still in high school, to become better acquainted with their government and to increase an interest in it.

Dorothy was selected Superintendent of Education; Clarice, member of the House of Representatives; Thomas Neil, county engineer; and Curtis, clerk of court.

# 4-H Club Observes Achievement Day

The Junior and Senior 4-H Clubs of Blythewood School observed Achievement Day Saturday, May 7, at Heise's pond.

There they had campaign speeches made by students from various schools of Richland County. Ann Joy Peake ran for County 4-H Song Leader and was elected.

After the speeches a talent show was presented. Irene Meetze won third place. Irene Kelly and Ann Joy Peake also won a place.

Dinner was served immediately following the talent show.

Everyone then started home with all the students from Blythewood smiling because they had such a successful day.

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COUNTY JHA MEETING

JHA girls of Richland County held a meeting on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. at Olympia High School. Officers were elected and installed for the coming year.

Martha Jean Finley, was elected to hold the office of Richland County reporter.

Martha Jean, a junior has been a member of the JHA for three years.

Class Enjoys  
Unique Party

Despite the shivers, members of the Journalism class made their debuts at a mock banquet April 12.

Each student, without a rehearsal, spoke a minimum of a minute and a half.

Before the evening was over even the guests had gotten into the act. Several spoke

on the values of public speaking from their own experiences.

Lever And Loner  
Representatives  
To Girls' State

Clarice Lever and Lula Mae Loner will represent Blythewood at Palmetto Girls' State this year. It will be held at the University of South Carolina, June 7-12. Girls' State is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and is designed to teach high school students more about democracy and American Government.

The Girl Staters will be divided into Democratic and Republican parties. They will elect a governor and lieutenant-governor, as well as, all other officers of Girls' State just as the officers of South Carolina are elected.

Clarice and Lula Mae are looking forward to attending.

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## JHA TALENT AND FASHION SHOW

The Junior Homemakers Association of Blythewood High School was sponsor of a talent show and fashion show at 8 p.m. April 21, in the high school auditorium.

Contestants were invited from Ridgeway, Blythewood, Dentsville, and Blaney Schools to compete for first, second, and third prizes. The program included instrumental, vocal, and dance numbers.

Five numbers were played by the school District II Band under the direction of Mr. Sam Cantrell. Subsequent to this came the talent show with 18 contestants.

Johnny Evans served as Master of Ceremony. The Judges included Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Olive and Mrs. Johnny Evans.

First prize, \$3.00 was won by Dorothy Paschal and Elton Lebrand who sang Melody

of Love. Second prize, \$2.00, was awarded to Carol Wilson, who played a piano solo, Rushing River. Third prize, \$1.00, went to Lucille Hernandez, who sang This Old House.

Next a fashion show was given by students from the 9th and 10th grades at Blythewood, modeling the dresses they had recently made in home economic class.

After the program, nice refreshments were served by the JHA girls to the master of ceremonies, judges, winning contestants, high school superintendent, principal, also the trustees and their wives.

Mrs. Miriam Pusser, home economics teacher, and Miss Jane Thornton, a student teacher from Winthrop College, were in charge of this program.

## BOYS WIN CALVES

Howard Peake won a Hereford calf and William Sharpe won a Black Angus in the calf scramble at the South Carolina Fat Stock show on April 29, at Fairwold Stock Yard.

The Agriculture boys have completed three standard outdoor basketball courts and have set out about 28 thousand pine trees through out the community. They have also helped with various projects around the school and community, such as, decorating for the garden club flower show and building benches for the ball field.

William Sharpe has Guernsey cows, Hampshire chickens, and OIC pigs for his project, but he is planning to get rid of some of his pigs.

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thoughts of the wondrous works performed by nature. The Endless Caverns, also formed by nature, were a wonderful sight to see.

It was evident that on Friday morning the journey was nearing its end. On the way back we went through the Shenandoah Valley and a vast and beautiful country all along the way which made most of us regret that the trip had to come to an end.

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED

We, the seniors, sincerely thank everyone who had a part in making this wonderful and educational trip possible for us.

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## Blythewood Indians

The Blythewood Indians have been on a losing streak in the last few games. Recent losses were to University High and Columbia High.

The Indians played University in a fairly close game, but University finally won out with a 9-8 victory. The Indians couldn't seem to stop the Columbia Capitals as they trounced them by a 25-4 score.

The team hopes to close the season on the winning side when they play Jenkinsville.

Coach Harry Wilson has organized a summer baseball team in which the boys will have a chance to improve on weak points and gain other valuable experience. If the team continues to improve they can make trouble.

Their hopes are high and if they continue practice, they will win. Good Luck!

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## SEVENTH GRADE PLAY

The Seventh Grade reading class will present a program on Stephen Foster's life, May 19.

The songs are, "My Old Kentucky Home, sung by the entire class and accompanied by Janice Grimsley. "Oh Susanna", sung by Peggy Kelly, Irene Meetze, Diane Fulmer, Pearl Peavy, Judith Bradham, Joe Spires, and Hubert Haas, accompanied by Elizabeth Maples. "Old Black Joe" will be sung by Elizabeth Maples, Diane Fulmer, and June Anderson, accompanied by Peggy Kelly. "Beautiful Dreamer", a famous Foster song, will be sung by Anne Langford, Sue Hagood, Permelia Johnson, Diane Fulmer, Irene Meetze, Elizabeth Maples, and Janice Grimsley, accom-

panied by Helen Boozer. Anne Langford, Sue Hagood, Helen Boozer, Diane Fulmer, Irene Meetze, Elizabeth Maples, and Janice Grimsley will sing "Glendy Burk", accompanied by Permelia Johnson.

Peggy Kelly and Permelia Johnson will sing "Jeanie With the Light Brown Hair", accompanied by Anne Langford. Anne Langford will accompany Elbert Hollis, Coleman Dinkins, Helen Boozer, Sue Hagood, Sara Mae Branham, and Clyde Branham as they sing "Massa's in the Cold Ground". "Camp-town Races", sung by Nancy Wooten, Judy Woods, Frank Riggs, Wilbert Hood, Otto Davis, Clarence Boney, June Anderson, Peggy Kelly, Laverne Davis, and Janice Grimsley, will be played by Permelia Johnson. "Old Folks at Home" will be sung by Irene Meetze, Elizabeth

Maples, Pete Boney, and Melton Roof. They will be accompanied by Sara Mae Branham. Helen Boozer, Anne Langford, and Peggy Kelly will sing "Old Dog Tray", accompanied by Sue Hagood.

## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

### MAKES BIG HIT

The junior class presented a play, "A Pair of Country Kids", Friday, May 6, at 8 p.m.

Despite the usual happenings, such as: "not a soul to a word", going out of the wrong door at the wrong time, talking through the nose, tempting the widow with certificates, and making up lines instead of learning them, the play was a success.

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## TENTH GRADE WRITES PLAY

The tenth grade English class has been busy working on a play entitled "Miss Hinch" which they will present on May 19.

The class was divided into five groups. Each group wrote a scene on each act.

After the scenes were written the class appointed the characters. They are Kay Wilson, Jessie Dark; Charleen Wingard, Miss Hinch; Old Man, Howard Peake; young lady, Irene Kelley; young man, Harold Boozer; conductor, Willard Jones; First Policeman, Carroll Morris; Second Policeman, Frank Peske; Third Policeman, Charles Cordell; Citizen, Jimmie Fulmer; Tick-

etchopper, Raymond Fulmer; Proprietor, Elton LeGrand; Waiter, William Sharpe; Newsboy, Paul Henderson.

Curtis Marsh and Bernice Kelley are student directors; Ann Joy Peske, narrator; Norma Jean Newman, Jane Kelley, Margaret Walker and Elizabeth Riggs, the stage directors. Tommy Trapp is the sound-effects man.

## Jan Wingard Elected May Queen

On Friday, April 29, Jan Wingard of the senior class was crowned Queen of the May Festival. Louise Swygert of the senior class and Helen Boozer of the seventh grade were second and third place winners respectively. John Evans of WIS crowned the Queen and acted as master

of ceremonies for the coronation services. Other contestants who were members of the Queen's Court were as follows: Peggy Kelly, Judith Bradham, Cynthia Riggs, Sandra Newton, Caroline Glover, Lula Mae Loner, Kay Wilson, Clarice Lever, and Charleen Wingard.

The second and third grade students, with Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Hagood, and Mrs. Dangler as instructors, presented a flower pageant-"All in a Garden Fair" before her Majesty and her royal court.

Preceding the coronation services the mothers of the members of the senior class served a cold plate supper in the cafeteria. Immediately following the May Day Festivities square dance, with Jimmy Furtick and his Rhythm Boys as musicians, was enjoyed by all.

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### THURSDAYS GAME??

The Blythewood baseball team will meet Jenkinsville here at the Blythewood diamond Thursday afternoon at 3:P.M. In Blythewood's last game with Jenkinsville, the Blythewood boys played very well but lost the game to Jenkinsville by one point. This game Thursday promises to be a thriller.

The public is cordially invited to see the game. It is the last scheduled home game of the season, so everyone try to be present and support the team.

The Blythewood boys played Columbia High, Monday, May, 9th losing the game 25 to 4.

Football practice at Dentsville will begin the third week in August. Every boy from the seventh through the twelfth grades in this school should participate.

There are many advantages in this program and no person from this school is treated as an outsider.---With another good pitcher to back up the fine performances turned in by William Sharpe, Blythewood High could have turned a fair baseball season into an even more successful one.-----Already this baseball team can be considered one of the best to represent the school in ten years and with every player coming back for at least one more year and all but three having at least two years eligibility left, the future for the next two years looks even brighter. Financially speaking, the year was a big success also. Both boys and girls basketball teams are expected to be outfitted in new uniforms and warmups next season.----The publicity angle must also be considered as an important thing to work towards. The baseball team found out that by winning consistently from the schools in the city that they could get a large play from the newspapers. This serves greatly to give the team and the school a name for itself.

## Does The Best Team Always Win?

### BLYTHEWOOD FANS WONDER

The Blythewood Indians have lost three consecutive games to Monticello, University High and Columbia High.

They dropped a 14 to 13 decision to Monticello, a 9 to 8 decision to University High, and a 24 to 4 decision to Columbia High.

In the Monticello game, Blythewood held the lead until the bottom of the seventh inning; then Joe Spires came in to relieve "Bones" Sharp but Monticello drove him off the mound. Howard Peake then relieved Joe Spires. He was tagged for a home run and also enough runs to tie the score. With "Bones"

pitching Monticello knocked a home run to win the game.

In the University High game the Blythewood boys began to hit well but "Bones" Sharpe's wildness gave the Bantams the lead. Willard Jones came in to relieve "Bones" Sharpe. Willard's wildness also gave them a few runs. Howard Peake came in to put out the fire thus tying the game but University came back to beat 9-8.

With "Bones" Sharpe and Howard Peake pitching, the Blythewood boys couldn't get rolling and got a walloping from Columbia.

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# Jimmy and Clyde

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Jimmy

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