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School Board And Aldermen Approve Band

District Tournament To Begin Wednesday

Byars-Hall will be host to the District II Boys' Basketball Tournament. The games begin Wednesday night.

Play will begin Feb. 28 at Halls in District II Girls' Tournament.

Boys Tournament At Covington

Wednesday, Feb. 22—

- 1—Ripley vs. Brownsville (7:00)
- 2—Munford vs. Whiteville (8:00)
- 3—Covington vs. Halls (9:00)

Thursday, Feb. 23—

- 4—Brighton vs. Winner of No. 1 (7:30)
- 5—Somerville vs. Grand Junction (8:30)

Friday, Feb. 24—

- Winner No. 4 vs. Winner No. 2 (7:30)
- 7—Winner No. 3 vs. Winner No. 2 (8:30)

Saturday, Feb. 25—

- Winner No. 6 vs. Winner No. 7 (8:30)

Girls Tournament At Halls (10 games)

Tuesday, Feb. 28—

- 1—Ripley vs. Grand Junction (7:00)
- 2—Whiteville vs. Munford (8:00)
- 3—Brownsville vs. Sacred Heart (9:00)

Wednesday, March 1—

- 4—Brighton vs. Holy Names (7:30)
- 5—Halls vs. Winner of No. 1 (8:30)

Thursday, March 2—

- Somerville vs. Winner of No. 2 (7:30)
- 7—Covington vs. Winner of No. 3 (8:30)

Friday, March 3—

- Winner No. 5 vs. Winner No. 6 (7:30)
- 9—Winner No. 7 vs. Winner No. 4 (8:30)

Saturday, March 4—

- 10—Winner No. 8 vs. Winner No. 9 (8:30)

Latin Club Entertained At Recent Meetings

At a Latin Club meeting held just before Christmas holidays, the members tried to see how many Latin words or Roman people could be named from the word "Christmas." The largest number of correct words was 13. A candy gumdrop tree was awarded to the winner.

Not long ago the Latin Club pins and membership cards were given to the students.

On Jan. 23, the first meeting of 1950 was held. Large cards marked off in blocks were given to the students. Written in these blocks were Latin names for people and articles, or famous Latin expressions. Smaller cards with the English translations were then read. If you had the correct answer on your card you would also get the smaller card to cover the answer, as in Bingo.

The game was not completed before the bell rang.



Joann Burkett

Joann Burkett Chosen For Citizenship Award

A senior class meeting was called Feb. 1, for the purpose of selecting the "Best Girl Citizen." Joann Burkett was chosen by the senior class and approved by the faculty.

The D.A.R. award, as it is called, is a high honor awarded to the girl who most nearly fills all the requirements of a good citizen in every phase of life—school, church and social. The girl who receives this distinction has much to be proud of and a challenge to live every day to the best of her ability. Joann Burkett, who has been chosen for this award, is friendly to everyone and has a ready smile. Since she has been a student in Byars-Hall many honors have been heaped upon her. Some of these are:

President of the Home Room in Home Ec., President of the Library Club, Secretary of the Beta Club, business manager of the Annual, Purple and Gold staff member, and Junior Representative in the May Day Court. She is a member of the clubs mentioned above and also the Glee Club and Spanish Club. In an outside activity she is Worthy Advisor of the Rainbow Girls. This office demands time and work. She gives generously of both and the organization is running smoothly under her guidance. She has administered all her duties well and has established a reputation of dependability.

The qualifications of "Best Girl Citizen" are that she be friendly, a good leader, a good student, dependable, a good mixer and a pleasant personality. Certainly Joann fills these (and a host of other qualifications) and the student body will realize what an excellent choice has been made.

BHHS Students Enjoy Display Of Hypnotism

Hypnotism! This word usually calls to mind the picture of a wild-eyed fellow muttering "abracadabra" or other such words of magic at his poor victim. The demonstration of hypnotism we saw on Feb. 8 was quite different. Prof. J. Paul Phillips, professor of psychology at U-T Junior College, was our special guest at assembly. Professor Phillips is especially interested in the use of hypnotism in medicine.

After being told something of the nature and effects of hypnotism, some "victims" from the student body volunteered to be hypnotized by Professor Phillips. From all appearances he was successful with Frances Flowers, Billy Ammons, and Malvin Chapman. Jeanette Fisher volunteered, but was not so easily hypnotized. It took Professor Phillips only a very few minutes to have Frances, Malvin and Billy doing just what he told them.

If laughter is any indication of enjoyment, then the students certainly enjoyed the demonstration. Those hypnotized laughed, slept, awoke, and performed several other actions at Professor Phillips' command.

We'd like to tell you how he did it, but in the first place, it might be dangerous for some to know, and the second place—we wish someone would tell us!

Byars-Hall Will Have Baseball Team In 1950

Byars-Hall is to have a baseball team again this year. Coach Gulley who is to coach the boys, reports that 45 boys have turned in their names to go out for baseball.

Last year we played teams from Somerville, Ripley, Dyersburg and Brighton. We shall play those teams again this year and possibly teams from Brownsville and Munford. They did not play baseball last year.

TRAVIS SELECTED TO PRESIDE OVER "C" CLUB

The "C" Club has now elected its officers. Bobby Travis acted as chairman until the president was elected. The officers are as follows: Bobby Travis, president; Bobby Anderson, vice president; Robert Overall, secretary-treasurer; Gerald Veazey, reporter; and Jerry Roark, sergeant-at-arms.

The new constitution was read to the group for the first time. No plans for the future were made.

Johnny went to school for his first time. On returning home he said to his mother, "I'm not going to school any more, mother."

"Why, Johnny?"
"I can't read, I can't write, and the teacher won't let me talk."

Plans Being Made To Establish School Band

The Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, in its meeting Tuesday night, Feb. 14, voted unanimously to support the City Board of Education's plan to establish a band at Byars-Hall. The plan was presented by the Board of Education chairman, Alison Simonton, to the Aldermen, and met with their hearty approval. The plan as proposed by Mr. Simonton would have the city paying one-third of the cost, and the county paying two-thirds. The proposal will come before the County Board early in March.

There have been previous attempts to establish a band in Covington. The most notable one was sponsored by the Jaycees and the American Legion Auxiliary, who collected money by public subscription and purchased a number of instruments, some of which are still available for use. There are also some band uniforms stored at the Grammar School. This project was discontinued due partly to the war and partly to the fact that it had no support from public funds. Members of the band paid for their lessons. Their money paid the salary of the band director.

It is the general opinion that a band would be a blessing to non-participating students as well as to players, and would also serve to advertise the school. Besides entertaining the people of the city and the surrounding communities, it would add to the color and prestige of our athletic program and other school events.

Byars-Hall Vanquished By Powerful Central

In the last games of the regular season the A and B teams of Covington were both defeated Saturday night. Central's new gym was the scene.

The A-team game ended with Covington 41, Central 61. The high scorer for Covington was Wynn with 19 points. Scoring for Central were Dunn 13, Michaels 12. Starting line-up for Covington: Wynn 19, Castellow 4, Ammons 9, Anderson 2, Pe-tree 2. Substitutes—Pannell 5 and Hadley. Others scoring for Central were Douty 4, Wright 6, Hcyboer 11, Dickerson 6, Brown 3, Williams 4, Robbins 2.

The B game's final score was 48-20. Brown scored 8 points for Covington with Grawer scoring 11 for Central. Starting line-up for Covington: Brown 8, Hammons 4, Gracey 3, Fortner, Stafford. Substitutes—Turner 4, Walk 1, Whitehorn, Gilbreath.

Dyersburg Loses Two

In an attempt to avenge earlier 61-31 and 57-36 shellackings, Dyersburg (Continued on Page 3)

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Boos Don't Boost The Team

This year, as in previous ones, Byars-Hall has good basketball teams. Both teams have better-than-average records for the season thus far. As the tournaments approach, some notice should be taken of the attitude of the fans. Are they pulling for the teams as much as they could?

For example, during the girls' game with Martin, a very close game, there was not a single organized cheer given. During the boys' game there were only about three cheers given and these were started by some of the players on the girls' team. Are they the only ones interested in backing the team in a way that they are sure to appreciate?

Some of you will say that there were no cheerleaders to lead the yelling. The only cheerleaders we have are those elected for football. They may feel that it isn't their job but with a little persuasion I'm sure they would agree to lead the cheering. But even without them our student body ought to be able to make more noise than it does. It's pretty embarrassing, don't you think, to have small numbers of visiting fans make more noise on cheers? Many times we try to drown out the cheers of the other fans. That is not the polite thing to do. You could use the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," very well in a situation like that.

Very often our fans make their noise at the wrong time. One of these times is when one of our players is shooting a foul. Many times those shots are the difference between winning and losing. Give the player a chance to concentrate on shooting. Yelling merely unnerves him, especially if the game is close. And certainly you should not try to heckle an opposing player in the same situation. Why? Apply the Golden Rule again.

Fans should keep silent when they think the referee has called something wrong and feel like expressing themselves in a loud "Boo!" After all, a man who has to make as many decisions as a basketball official, is entitled to a few errors. Student fans have been controlling their "booing" impulses better lately, but, of course, there is always room for improvement. There will be more feeling about tournament games, so watch yourselves!

Our teams may not be the winners of the tournament but they can be supported by fans whose spirit and sportsmanship are the very best.

Heels On Wheels

"Watch that speedometer climb on around to 90! Watch me go right down the middle of Main Street—get out of my way, you other cars! Boy, made that corner on two wheels that time!"

You've heard this fellow often. He thinks he's really a whiz at driving, and to prove it, he shows off his "skill." He's the fellow who hasn't quite caught on to the idea that cars are for transportation, not devastation—who also makes sure the hospitals and the mortuaries don't go out of business.

Naturally this couldn't apply to you as a teen-age driver, or could it? I think we could use a favorite expression of a certain teacher here: If the shoe fits, wear it. This means you.

Miss Jarman: "Laverne, where was the Declaration of Independence signed?"

Laverne Smith: (After a momentary pause) "At the bottom."

"If a child annoys you, quiet him by brushing his hair," is the latest advice. "If he gets worse, use the other side of the brush and the other end of the child."

Party Lines

Julia Claire Walker and Jimmie Hendrick played host to five couples for dinner on the night of Jan. 19 at Jimmie's home. The guests were Jane Shoaf and Nels Tanner, Blanche Baltzer and Bob Overall, Dorothy Williamson and Billy Wilson, Claudia Owen and Wade Castellaw, Carol Cole and Ernie Petree.

Yellow candles and a lovely centerpiece of spring flowers adorned the dining room table, around which the guests were seated. After the delicious meal they enjoyed playing Canasta.

Jan. 18 Richard Hendrick gave a party at his home. The guests were Katherine Hopkins and Elbert Wynn, Patricia Ralph and Bobby Anderson, Joan Greer and Wayne Moore, Kitty Gracey and Malvin Chapman, Jeanette Fisher and the host, Bobby Travis, Gerald Veazey, Sammy Gardner, Bobby Glenn, Thurmond Glenn, Betty Lindsey, Peggy Portis, Jimmy Hendrick, Billy Wilson, Wade Castellaw, Martha Lee Snowden, John Richard Cook, Johnny Walker, J. T. Walker and Billy Ammons.

They ate sandwiches and potato chips, drank cokes and played Canasta.

On Wednesday night, Feb. 1, a group of boys and girls gathered at Bertha and Edwin Bryson's for a party. The group listened to records and had refreshments of cokes, sandwiches, potato chips and cookies. After this everyone went to the second show. Those present were Bertha with Sammy Wright, Edwin with Joan Owen, Jean Walton and Glenn Earl Maxwell and Molly Bringle and C. H. Whitehorn.

On Tuesday night, Feb. 14, a Valentine party was given at Owen. The room was gaily decorated with red and white and games pertaining to the occasion were played. Refreshments of heart shaped sandwiches, candy and cokes were served. Among those who attended were Betty Glass and Edward Glenn, Beaton Bowden, Marion Miller, Jean Walton, Jean Dawson, Mattie Lou Pitts, Shirley Warren, Joan Owen and Edwin Bryson.

The Rainbow Girls had a dance at the Inn Wednesday night, Feb. 15. The Inn was gaily decorated in red streamers with white hearts, and white streamers with red hearts. A grand time was had by all.

Movies On Arkansas And Virginia Shown

Recently two films furnished by a representative of the Esso Standard Oil Company were shown to the student body at activity period. The first one depicted the state of Virginia, showing the beautiful scenery and historic background of the state. It told of the presidents and famous men who came from Virginia, and showed their homes.

The other, about the state of Arkansas, told of its historic background, industrial and cultural life. Arkansas' first-ranking industry is agriculture. It has wonderful hunting grounds and forests because of well-planned conservation. All types of water sports can be enjoyed there. Hot Springs is world-famous for its natural hot water springs, and the beautiful Ozarks comprise some of the most impressive scenery available to tourists. Both pictures had interesting narrators and good music.

Dictionary Of American Slang

(Transcribed by Calvin Creasy from Webster's work on the subject.)

A

Adam and Eve on a raft—two eggs, served with toast.

African golf—Crap shooting
Anchor—Emergency brake.
Apple knocker—Farmer
Artillery—Baked beans
Axle grease—Butter

B

Bag of bones—Thin person
Ball and chain—Wife
Banana oil—Nonsense
Barrel house—Saloon
Bats in the belfry—Crazy
Bay window—Enlarged stomach
Below deck—Stupid but pretty
Biscuit shooter—Waitress
B'imp—Large, fleshy person
Bone bender—A wrestler
Bonehead—Fool
Bone orchard—Cemetery
Bug—Lunatic

C

Can—Prison or toilet
Coffin nail—Cigarette
Coffin varnish—Intoxicating liquor
Cold meat—Corpse
Cute as a bug's ear—Pretty

D

Digger—Pickpocket
Doughnut—Automobile tire

E

Eightball—Negro
Embalming fluid—Coffee

F

Face lace—Whiskers
Fire extinguisher—Chaperone
Full of beans—In high spirits

G

Graduate—To leave prison at the end of one's sentence

H

Handcuff—Engagement ring.

I

Icebox—Morgue
Iron man—Silver dollar

J

Jawbreaker—Biscuit

L

Lamp—The eye
Lunch hooks—Fingers

M

Makings—Tobacco and cigarette papers

Mickey Finn—Drugged drink
Mud—Chocolate pudding

N

Nigger heaven—The top of the gallery in a theater

O

Oil—Flattery
Old Smokey—Electric chair
Oscar—Revolver

P

Play with squirrels—Nuttu
Potato Masher—Drum stick
Pot lids—Cymbals
Pump—Heart
Puppies—Feet
Putty Blower—Trombone

RINGS ARE THE MAIN SUBJECT OF SENIORS

There is big news from the senior class this issue! Doubtless, you have noticed a stir among the students. The reason—our rings are due soon. We have waited a long time for them and now they are on the way. You'll be seeing many seniors sporting them and possibly several girls will be wearing extra heavy rings given to them by "that certain party."

Teams Are Victorious Over BHHS Alumni

During the Christmas holidays the Byars-Hall alumni played the Byars-Hall boys and girls. The girls were victors over the alumni 53-36 while the Wildcats scored a win of 44-40.

The girls' game saw many of the old-timers back in action again. Blanche Baltzer was high scorer with 21. Bradley of the alumni was next with 16. The following were the points of other girls: Byars-Hall had Trantham 12, E. Walker 9, Tipton 8, Harvey 2, Ralph 1, Overall, Cooper, Rose, Cherry, Gray, J. Walker, Shoaf. The alumni were Williams 9, Blankenship 11, Pleasant, Costello, Evans and Ly'es.

Spectators who saw the boys' game also witnessed a parade of old stars, but the Wildcats whipped them 44-40. Wynn took top honors for the boys with 13 while Davie was next with 12. The 'Cats boasted the following: Hadley 10, Ammons 2, Petree 2, Anderson 7, Moore 7, Glenn 1, and Castellaw 2. The following of the Alumni saw action: J. T. Walker 2, Cook 6, V. Anderson 6, Roby 7, W. Tipton, Junior Anderson, A. McBride, Posey 3, Gift 1, Payne.

Covington Girls Win By Lengths, Boys Lose

After winning over Ripley on Friday night, Covington split a brace of games with Munford. Our girls won 41-18, but the boys lost 35-38.

From the beginning of the game Byars-Hall pulled out in front with Harvey of Covington netting 14, which was high for the night. Bomar and Ballard tied with four each for Munford.

Starting for Covington were Baltzer 12, E. Walker 4, Harvey 14, Rose, Cooper and Overall.

Substitutes: Covington—Ralph 7, Tipton 3, Eubanks 2, and Cherry.

The visiting boys team came back to overpower the Byars-Hall boys 38-35. It was a tight game from the start to the finish.

McCullough for Munford totaled 11 for the night to be high, while Anderson and Petree had six each for the local team.

Our lineup was Wynn 2, Castellaw 5, Ammons 1, Anderson 6, and Petree 6 for Covington.

Substitutes: Covington—Hadley 2, Pannell 5, Moore 3, Gracey, Stafford and Hammons.

Covington Wins Over Martin In Twin Bill

Covington played Martin this year for the first time in the history of Byars-Hall. Our girls won by a close 27-26 and the boys by 33-28.

Baltzer and Wynn were high scorers for Covington. Baltzer collected 14 and Wynn 11. The losing girls showed Oldham with 14 while the boys boasted Harding and Moore with 10 each. Byars-Hall players included (girls) Tipton 5, Harvey 7, Rose, Cooper, Overall, Walker, Trantham, Eubanks, Gray, Gilbreath, Cherry, and (boys) Castellaw 5, Pannell 10, Ammons 6, Petree 1, and Hadley.

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Lester Davis Re-Named Chairman



Malvin Chapman and Bill Snyder, along with other Teen-Timers, show their enthusiasm for Mr. Davis, who has been re-named their chairman for 1950. Mr. Davis made the statement that much had been planned to give the Teen-Timers a wonderful time again this year.

Harvey Smith Leads Series Of Devotions

"The Plan of Salvation" was the theme for our chapel exercise on Jan. 4. Rev. Harvey Smith, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, was our speaker. One must do what God, not he himself, wills.

Rev. D. P. McFarland of the First Baptist Church spoke to us on Jan. 18, about "How To Rejoice." He emphasized the fact that we must forget the things which are behind, and reach forward toward the things which are before us.

On Jan. 25, our chapel speaker was Rev. W. W. Parkinson of the A. R. P. Church. His message to us was "Investing Your Life." He pointed out to us that just as businessmen seek sound investments that may profit materially, so must we seek to invest our lives in the things that will produce greater profits than material wealth.

We had as our speaker on Feb. 1, as special guest, Dr. Chesley Bowden, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ripley and an alumnus of Byars-Hall. We enjoyed several of his humorous anecdotes, as well as his very practical message to us. He told us that we must not ever stop trying if we are to attain our goals in life.

All of our chapel speakers have given us messages especially directed to young people and sound advice about getting along in the world.

Vanquished—

(Continued From Page 1)
burg's boys and girls visited here Friday night, Feb. 17.

In a game closely contested all the way, the Wildcats nosed out Dyersburg's Trojans by virtue of a last-chance field goal by Petree. Final score was 46-44. Close though it was, this game gave everybody a chance to play. Pointmakers for Byars-Hall were Wynn 14, Castellaw 9, Ammons 4, Pannell 6, Petree 5, and Anderson 8.

The girls in the purple and gold once more defeated the girls' team from Dyersburg, this time by a margin of 50-23. Baltzer took top scoring honors by hitting the basket for 17 points. The lineup: Baltzer 17, Harvey 10, Tipton 9, Cooper, Overall, Rose. Substitutes: Ralph 1, Walker 2, Cherry, Gray, Gilbreath, Shoaf, Trantham 12, and Eubanks.

Brighton Splits With Covington Girls, Boys

After defeating Brownsville in the preceding game, Covington visited Brighton to divide a pair. Byars-Hall girls won 43-29 and the boys lost 23-40.

Baltzer scored 23 for the winner and Knight had 12 for the losers in the girls' game. Other Covington girls seeing action were: Tipton 8, Harvey 12, Rose, Gray, Overall. Substitutes: Walker, Eubanks, Cherry, Cooper, Gilbreath.

In the second game the 'Cats suffered their second defeat by Brighton this season. Ammons netted 10 for Byars-Hall, but Morton was high for the game with 20. Other boys in the game were: Wynn 3, Hadley 2, Anderson 4, Petree 4. Substitutes: Gracey, Pannell, Castellaw, Moore.

In their first encounter of the season Covington and Brighton met on our court, Covington taking the girls' game 31-25, and Brighton the boys', 37-33.

Blanche Baltzer hit the net for Covington with 22 points. Knight had nine for Brighton. Baltzer 22, E. Walker 2, Harvey 6, Gray, Rose and Cooper were the starters. Substitutes were Tipton 1, Overall, Cherry.

The boys of Brighton came back to revenge their girls, and did so by taking the game 37-33.

Hill dropped in 18 for Brighton to take top honors in scoring and Ammons got eight for Covington. Participants were Wynn 7, Castellaw 5, Ammons 8, Anderson 5, Petree 7, Hadley, Black, Moore 1.

Tournament Planned For Girls Gym Classes

The girls' gym classes will have a tournament in the first, third and sixth periods. The first period classes of Tuesday and Thursday will play that period class of Monday and Wednesday. This applies to the third and sixth periods also.

The tournament will start Monday Feb. 20. The games will be played at the class periods. No one except the gymnasium-class girls who do not participate will get to see these games. The finals will be held at activity Tuesday, Feb. 28. All the students of Byars-Hall will be admitted to this game.

Brownsville Defeated In Games With 'Cats

Returning the game played earlier at Covington, Byars-Hall journeyed to Brownsville to score a double victory. The girls won 39-28 and the boys 37-30.

Baltzer, our captain, took top honors, scoring 28, and Waddell netted 14 for the losers. In the game also were: Tipton 9, Harvey 2, Rose, Cooper, Overall. Substitutes: Ralph, Walker, Eubanks, Cherry, Shoaf.

In the second contest, Ammons rimmed 10 for Covington, while Simmons scored six for Brownsville. Other players and their scores: Wynn 5, Hadley 2, Anderson 7, Petree 5. Substitutes: Castellaw 2, Stafford, Pannell 2, Gracey, Hammons 3.

Brownsville, visiting Covington, surrendered a double header to the 'Cats the Tuesday following the Christmas holidays. Our girls won 47-16, and boys 63-33.

Captain Baltzer showed her skill by racking up 22 points while Waddell collected 11 for Brownsville. Also in on the lopsided victory were Walker 2, Harvey 14, Gray, Rose and Cooper, along with substitutes Ralph 5, Tipton 4, Cherry, Overall, Walker 2, and Shoaf.

In the second contest of the evening Byars-Hall downed the Haywood quintet 63-33. Wynn scored 21 for the winning team, and Walker 12 for the losers. Other boys: Hadley 9, Ammons 13, Anderson 5, Petree 10 with substitutes Castellaw 5, Black, Glenn, Hammons and Pannell.

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Name: Betty Jane Noblin
Class: Freshman
Where From: Hornsby Junior High School, Tenn.
Favorite Color: Doesn't make any difference
Favorite Food: Just anything to eat
Ambition: Nursing

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Wildcats Are Victors In Games With Ripley

Covington came back to win a second twin bill from Ripley after defeating them earlier this season by scores of 45-17 (girls) and 55-26 boys.

Covington girls won by the score 58-42. Blanche Baltzer was high scorer for Covington with 27 points, and L. Sanders scored 22 points for Ripley.

In the second contest the Covington boys really were Wildcats. They conquered the Ripley boys by the score of 69-37. Matthews came through with 25 points for top honors in scoring, but Wynn of Covington was right on his heels with 24.

During these two games everybody got into the act. In addition to the other starters—Castellaw 10, Pannell 7, Ammons 9, and Petree 4—there were Moore, Hadley 3, Black 2, Anderson 6, Gracey, Stafford 4, and Hammons. The other girls were forwards Tipton 10, Harvey 14, Ralph 1, Walker 1, Trantham 5, Eubanks, and guards Rose, Cooper, Overall, Shoaf, Gray, Gilbreath and Cherry.

Halls, Brownsville Win In FHA-FFA Contests

Our sub-district of FHA and FFA, composed of chapters from Ripley, Brownsville, Brighton, Munford, Halls and Covington, met here the night of Jan. 19 for meetings and a party.

The meeting of the FHA was held in Miss Rast's room. A beautiful centerpiece of red roses, given to us by Mrs. F. R. Fisher Jr., was used. First on the program was the installation of sub-district officers.

This was followed by a parliamentary procedure contest between the different chapters, which was judged by teachers from Shelby County. The Halls Chapter came out victorious.

The FFA held a similar parliamentary procedure contest in Mr. Johnson's room. Brownsville was the winner of this one.

After the separate meetings a delicious picnic supper of sandwiches, cupcakes and cokes was served in the Home Economics department for both organizations. This was followed by folk games in the gym which everyone enjoyed very much.

Corridor Chatter

Here's some more dirt we've picked up around the halls around school and, of course, in the gossip box.

Good news, girls! Carl Pannell, known to some as the "Girl Hater," seems to be changing his mind.

Pat Logan thinks Billy Wells from Brighton is "a cute kid."

Why is William Locke always looking for Inez Billings at the ball games?

Someone should introduce Charles Strickland and Margaret Daugherty. They only smile and say "hello."

"Spurgeon" Smith has been sending some interesting notes to Dorothy Deverell.

Four girls are just C-R-A-Z-Y about Allen Petree. They are Joan Cody, Mary Avelon Sasser, Mary Louise Ralph, and Jean Hazelrig. Seems like Edith Locke is winning, though.

Linnie Harvey gave Bedford Transon a razor blade for Christmas. He must have used it on his head.

Any girl wanting to make a boy jealous should call 2415, Billy Wilson, for expert advice. Don't give up if the line is busy. Corrinne will finish talking soon. (Party line)

Does Bobby Max want to be back in grammar school with Barbara, or is it Joan Nolan he is interested in?

Why does Mary Walker Shoaf wear green as often as possible these days?

Jimmy Chapman surely has been getting around. He's been going with Barbara Cockrell.

Is Richard Hendrick making a little headway with Jeanette Fisher? She was wearing his sweater not long ago.

Charlene Stallings just doesn't understand boys. Don't worry, Charlene, you aren't the only one who doesn't.

Who is it Nancy Calhoun wants to see in the hall after lunch?

Sylvia Ames has really beaten everyone's time. She is going with Andy Luttrell. Congrats, Sylvia.

Jo Hall and Billy Walk certainly make a cute couple.

Sue Short got a five pound box of candy and a silk scarf for Christmas. Neither Bob nor Sammy wanted to be outdone.

Barbara Sue Cockrell likes J. C. Black now. Did you know this, J. C.?

Carol Cole and Ernie Petree are seen at almost all social gatherings together.

Leon Rose is said to have a big crush on a sophomore. Could it be Nadine Finley?

Anne Simonton seemed to be having quite a good time at the New Year's dance with Malvin.

Bettye Lackey is about to get her mind made up about the Huffmans' Which one will it be, Jack or Tommy?

Anne Harvey has a terrible crush on Danny Townsend. Can't you do something about it, Danny?

Here are a few steady couples. Joan Greer and Wayne Moore, Betty Corder and Bobby Hammons, Grace Myers and Johnnie Short, and Bettye Glass and C. H. Whitehorn. How long will these twosomes last?

Two newly engaged couples are Gail McBride and Charles Chumley and Patsy Harrington and Kenneth Weir.

Why is Martha Ann Ruffin so interested in going to Memphis these days?

Carol Young has six dates a week

Library Club Enjoys Puzzling Over Words

On Friday, Feb. 3, the Library Club met for a bit of recreation. The president, Joann Burkett, called the meeting to order and started the party by letting each of the 13 members review a book, recently read, that they enjoyed reading and would recommend to the other members. Martha Ruffin reviewed "But The Morning Will Come" by Cid Ricketts Sumner and Mary Lee Tipton reviewed "It Happens Every Spring." Time was running short so it was decided that the title of the book and the author would be a sufficient contribution.

After the book reviews, each member sat at a separate table while Mrs. Shoaf and Joann passed around pencils and sheets of paper which had groups of two words on them. The object was find what each pair of words had in common. This required a lot of thinking but was a lot of fun. Jane Shoaf won, since she had the most words when the bell rang, and was awarded a box of candy. Too bad that it was too late for her to pass it around.

The club thanks Joann, Mrs. Shoaf and Mrs. Parkinson for helping with the program.

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Name: Ada Evelyn Robbins
Class: Freshman
Where From: Humes High School, Memphis
Favorite Color: Green
Favorite Food: Tomatoes
Ambition: Nursing
Favorite Subject: English

with Mickey. When does she study? Ralph Young has been making frequent trips to Millington to go skating with Pernelly.

Are Mary Blankenship and Junior Adams serious?

Marie Chapman and a certain boy from Ripley were seen together quite often during the Christmas holidays.

Elise Hadley and Allon Brown are another steady couple and have been since the Larry Myers episode.

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Betas Discuss Plans At Recent Meetings

This year, the state secretary of the Beta Clubs will come from West Tennessee. Claudia Owen was elected to represent our chapter as a candidate for this office.

The Beta Club has had only a few meetings since the last issue of the paper, but some very important discussions have been held. Plans are being made by those who are thinking of going to the Beta Club Convention in Nashville, where the members of the Beta Clubs from all over the state meet. Since there is such a large number of members in our club this year, attendance will be restricted to senior members.

The biggest news of the Beta Club is yet to come, for the club is making plans for a dance to be held soon after the basketball tournaments. Each member may invite a guest to the dance. More details later.

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(Continued, Act II)

SCENE: The radio broadcasting booth at the arena. The sportcaster, Bill Churn, is speaking. It is almost time for the bullfight to start.

BILL CHURN: Here we are at the arena, folks. The bullfight will start in a minute. The bull hasn't been announced yet, but Percy is the challenger. The bull is sitting in the far corner and I can't see who it is. They are about to announce who it is now.

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM: Good afternoon, folks. In this corner, weighing 150 pounds, is Percy!

CROWD: Boo! Booooo! Boo!

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM: In this corner, the world's heavyweight champion bull, weighing 6000 pounds, John Bull!

CROWD: Yea! Yea!

(Percy and John Bull go to the center of the arena where the referee gives instructions.)

REFEREE: You both know the rules. Make this a clean fight. Go to your corners and come out fighting.

BELL: Ding.

(John Bull charges. Percy dodges him but drops his sword. He bends over to pick it up and John Bull charges from behind. He knocks Percy over, tramples his face in, and stands on his stomach.)

PERCY: Ouch!

(A doctor rushes on the field.)

DOCTOR: I'm afraid he's dead.

(Percy is covered with a sheet and carried off the field on a stretcher.)

Scene II

(The city square. Thousands of cheering people have come to watch the biggest event of the year—Percy's funeral. He is lying on a pile of logs and newspapers—about to be cremated.)

TOASTMASTER: I will now light the fire.

(The toastmaster lights the fire.)

(Everybody sings "There'll Be A Hot Time In The Old Town Tonight.")

PERCY: (As flames rise higher) Help! Fire!

CARMEN: He's alive!

TOASTMASTER: Lie back down, Percy. We can't disappoint all these people who were expecting a cremation.

PERCY: Help! I'm not dead!

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TOASTMASTER: Ladies, gentlemen, and extinguished guests, I am sorry to announce that due to circumstances beyond our control, there will be no cremation.

Scene III

(At Carmen's house)

CARMEN: Percy, please don't do any more bullfighting.

PERCY: I have already signed a paper saying that I have to fight one more bull fight. It will be my last fight.

CARMEN: That is what I am afraid of.

PERCY: Anybody knows I can beat any bull in the country with my hands and feet tied behind my back and b'indfolded and I won't even need a sword.

CARMEN: Any bull except John Bull. I know you can beat any other bull in the country—probably all the other bulls in the country at the same time with your bare hands. But you know you can't beat John Bull.

PERCY: I'll just have to take a chance on that. By the way, it's time I have to go.

(Percy gets up, slips down on the floor.)

PERCY: Oh! Oh! I broke both my arms! Oh!

CARMEN: Good. Now you won't have to fight in the bullfight.

PERCY: Oh! Oh! I'll have to fight anyway. Oh! Oh! Oh! Oh!

CARMTN: You'll get killed.

PERCY: I can beat any bull with my arms broken. Oh! Oh! Oh!

CARMEN: You can't beat John Bull with your arms broken.

PERCY: I can't beat him anyway. Oh!

CARMEN: I know what we can do. Let's buy John Bull so you won't have to fight him.

PERCY: Oh! Oh! I have two dollars. Oh! Oh!

CARMEN: I have \$1.75. I will see Gertrude about buying John Bull.

Scene IV

(In Gertrude's office)

CARMEN: I want to buy John Bull.

GERTRUDE: I don't want to sell him.

CARMEN: I will go pretty high on the price I pay you.

GERTRUDE: How high?

CARMEN: Three dollars and seventy-five cents.

GERTRUDE: Not high enough.

CARMEN: Name your price.

GERTRUDE: Three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

CARMEN: I don't have that much.

GERTRUDE: You don't get John Bull, either.

Scene V

(The main office of the El Choako Cigar Co. Mr. El Choako is sitting at his desk. Carmen enters.)

CARMEN: Did you want to see me, Mr. El Choako?

MR. EL CHOAKO: Yes, I have been looking for a model for advertising our cigars. I want you to take

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CARMEN: How much will you pay me?

MR. EL CHOAKO: Fifty thousand dollars a week. You get paid every Wednesday night.

CARMEN: I'll take the job. I can buy John Bull now.

MR. EL CHOAKO: You can start tomorrow.

Scene VI

(A week later. In Gertrude's office. Carmen enters.)

GERTRUDE: Well, what do you want?

CARMEN: I want to buy John Bull. Does you offer still stand?

GERTRUDE: Yes, sure.

CARMEN: What are your terms? Do you have an easy credit plan or an installment plan?

GERTRUDE: You make a fifty thousand dollar down payment. Pay fifty thousand each week afterwards for six weeks. You must make each payment before midnight every Wednesday. If you fail to make a payment before midnight every Wednesday, I have the right to take John Bull back. Do you agree to these terms?

CARMEN: Yes, here's the down payment.

(Carmen pays Gertrude \$50,000)

(Continued)

LOOK WHOS NEW!

Name: Jackie Stokes
Class: Freshman
Where From: Whitehaven
Favorite Food: Steak
Favorite Color: Red
Favorite Subject: General science

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Name: Ruby Hardin
Class: Freshman
Where From: Ripley
Favorite Food: Karo-pecan pie
Favorite Color: Wine
Favorite Subject: Basketball
Ambition: To be a nurse.

Erasmus Jones was applying for the job of mail carrier. A civil service examiner was asking him questions to find out how much he knew. "Mr Jones," he asked, "How far is it from the earth to the moon?" "Goodness, sir, if you're going to put me on that route, I don't want the job."

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Minutes

Our lecture for today, students, is entitled "Minutes." You will kindly give your attention. If someone on the back row will please wake Billy Wilson up, we shall proceed.

The first type of minute we shall study is called the Short Minute.

Example A—the Short Minute—You still have to write a page, when you hear a voice saying, "I shall take up the test papers in one minute."

Example B—Your team is four points behind in the basketball game and the clock says one minute to go.

The second type of minute we shall study is called the Long Minute.

Example A—You're sitting in the dentist's chair and he says, "Now this won't take a minute."

Example B—The minutes between bells at the end of classes.

You are so familiar with the third type, that we shall not go into detail. I am sure you all are acquainted with the Last Minute. You know—Last Minute shopping, Last Minute studying, Last Minute dates, etc.

The last type we shall study is a very interesting one. It is called the Just-A or Wait-A Minute, and may vary in length from one second to one hour; depending on the delay causing the speaker to say it.

Example A—You are talking on the phone and mother calls you to come wash dishes. This Wait-A Minute is likely to be quite long.

Example B—Your companions are waiting outside in the car for you to get ready. This Wait-A or Just-A Minute will, in all probability, be quite brief.

This lecture will not aid you in getting a diploma, but experts tell us that we forget 92 per cent of all we learn, and if you forget this, you won't feel that you've lost anything. Class dismissed.

Pet Peeves

A recent survey of the campus at Byars-Hall revealed the pet peeves of certain people. Some individuals actually think other persons do these things, so don't let them catch you doing any of them.

Cheating at Canasta—Frances Flowers

Boys crossing their legs like girls—All girls

College boys coming home—No dates—Bobby Glenn

People chewing gum when I have to make them throw it out—Miss Boyd

The lunch room—Jimmie Hendrick
Girls who are not truthful—Billy Owen

Don't like to see people gloomy—Tom Vaughan

People who gain attention by screaming above the 30 other people in the class—Mr. Evans

Breakfast at 5 o'clock and lunch at fifth period—Nels Tanner

Referees—Patsy Cherry
Written lessons on the day after a ball game—Rose Overall

Written lesson any time—All students

Mary Lee Tipton's saying she has to go to music—Bobbie Cooper

Many of you probably have some peeves, but you just haven't been squawking loud enough.

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Name: Edward Smith
Class: Sophomore

Where From: New Orleans
Favorite Food: Enchiladas, a Mexican dish

Favorite Subject: Physical education

Ambition: To be a farmer

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Name: Mary Jobe
Class: Sophomore

Where From: Drummonds, Tenn.
Favorite Food: Candy

Favorite Color: Blue
Favorite Subject: English

Ambition: To be a teacher or preacher

Character is like the foundation of a house—it is below the surface.

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