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## NEWS IN BRIEF

by Frances Randolph

Principal C. W. Seay, who was selected to serve on the Liaison Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, attended the first meeting of the committee which was held in Washington, D. C. on March 20.

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The Gamma Nu Lambda chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity recently sponsored a talent show to raise money for its scholarship fund.

Carlton Anderson, a Dunbar student, was the first place winner. John Minnis and Clyde Thomas, also Dunbar students, won second place.

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"Spring is the time when a young girl's fancy turns to clothes." In accord with this, the Industrial Club sponsored a fashion show on April 23 in a morning assembly. Participants were students from the Commercial Clothing Department, who made their garments.

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The Dunbar Chorus, directed by Mr. R. R. Winfrey, and the Band, directed by Mr. J. L. Russell, participated in a concert sponsored by the P.T.A. of the Free Schools of Farmville, on Sunday, April 12.

## DUNBAR TO BE I. B. M. PROGRAM CENTER

Dunbar High School has been designated as the center of an experimental program in the use of the I.B.M. 1440 Data Processing System in school scheduling, attendance, grade reporting, etc.

The Lynchburg School Board has approved and will finance this experimental program. If this experiment is successful, it may be instituted in the entire city school system and perhaps in the city government.

Business students at Dunbar are getting practice in the I.B.M. system at Phillip's Business College, where they are learning to process cards containing data compiled by the teachers at Dunbar. Each Dunbar student and teacher will be identified by a number. From this program the business students hope to develop accuracy while gaining training and experience.

Mrs. E. C. Watson's typing classes started participating in the program by typing form 111 for the homeroom teachers. This is the first in a series of pupil data sheets for scheduling.

Dunbar is the only school in the city to participate in this program.



**CONCERT PRACTICE**—Band Director J. L. Russell conducts group practice in preparing for Band and Chorus concert to be held May 18 at 8 p.m. in school auditorium. Practicing are (left to right) Judy Rucker, Brenda Jackson, Perry Saunders, (second row) Ray Barnette and William Reid.

## Band-Chorus Concert To Feature Keyboard Quintet

On May 18 at 8 p.m. the Music Department will entertain the public with its annual concert.

Aside from the master works to be performed by the choruses, bands and individual soloists, there will be presented a keyboard quintet of four talented pianists and an organist.

Using the theme "Great Moments in Music," Mr. Robert Winfrey, choral director, reports, "The Girls' Glee Club will sing 'Unto Thee,' a work arranged for female voices based on Beethoven's 'Moonlight Sonata.'" The five key-

## Student Council Presents Annual Cultural Program

The seventh annual cultural program, under the auspices of the

## Senior Day Plans Completed

The seniors have chosen the theme, "Remember When" for their Senior Day program to be held May 14 in a morning assembly.

Taking place in the year 2001, the scene is the living room of a couple of the class of 1964 who are entertaining guests. As the evening progresses, they will reminisce their high school days which will feature various forms of talent.

After the program, members of the class will take over the classes for the rest of the day.

Ocie Sydnor, who is president of the senior class, will act as principal for the day.

All seniors participating in Senior Day have signed a pledge to uphold the traditions of the school and to be on their best behavior.

## Distribution Education To Be Offered

Next fall Distributive Education will be added to the Business curriculum. It will be offered at the junior and senior level because of the minimum age limit of 16 and because a fairly high degree

## Edwina Harris Presented Gavel

At Student Council Meeting

## Edwina Harris Presented Gavel At Student Council Installation

Newly elected officers and representatives for the 1964-65 term on the Student Council were installed on April 16 at an afternoon assembly.

Edwina Harris, a junior honor student and News editor for the Dunbar Chronicle, received the gavel as a symbol of her new duties as president of the Student Council from Carol Wilson, the out-going president.

Carol also administered the oath to the new homeroom representatives and installed the following officers: Carolyn Jackson, vice-president; Mandell Davis, secretary; Frank

## Theater Guild Presents Comedy

The Dunbar Theater Guild presented its annual spring play Tuesday, May 5, in the school auditorium at 8 p.m.

The play was a three act comedy entitled "Mother is a Freshman" dramatized by Christopher Sergel from the story of Raphael David Blau.

Playing the role of Mrs. Abigail Abbott, the mother who goes to college, was Gladys Gilbert. Edwina Harris played Susan Abbott, the daughter who fiercely objects to her mother's going to college with her.

Other characters in the play were Perronneau Johnson, Leon Smith, James Jones, Clayton Davis, Phillip Wilkinson, and Wistar Withers.

Also Brenda Mallett, Rosetta Freeman, Nancy Patrick, Marla and Margot Beverley, Dorothy Hughes, and Sandra Anderson. Miss E. H. Jordan, who is chairman of the Theater Guild, directed the play.

Hughes, assistant secretary; Carlton Anderson, treasurer; and Mary J. Rosser, chaplain.

The Reverend Eugene Joyner, pastor of Pleasant Valley Baptist Church and a substitute teacher in the city school system, was the guest speaker. His remarks were centered around the importance of being responsible citizens and the necessity for one's doing his best.

The Virginia Seminary and College choir, under the direction of Mrs. Grace Setzer, sang several selections.

## Eighth Graders Study Unit On Newspaper

Eighth grade English students of Mrs. A. R. Wesley have reported their study of the newspaper as interesting and stimulating. They discussed important current news, front page make-up and the various sections of the paper. Time was spent in analyzing editorial opinion on such important topics as the

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## 'The Way Of The Cross' Presented

A trilogy entitled "The Way of the Cross" was presented by the chorus and the newly formed speech choir in the school auditorium on March 23.

The trilogy was concerned with Jesus' last days on earth. The four scenes included the Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Crucifixion, and the Resurrection.

Directors of the chorus and the speech choir were Mr. J. L. Russell and Mr. L. G. Stamps, respectively. Mr. R. Winfrey was the organist.

The seventh annual cultural program, under the auspices of the Student Council, was presented Friday, April 10.

Guest artists were the Randolph-Macon Women's College dance troupe. Mrs. Stroupa, instructor of dance at the college, gave a brief background talk on the modern dance and mentioned some of the contributions made by Miss Margaret Graham to this field.

Consisting primarily of dance exercises and the employment of various techniques, the program was an informal affair. It culminated with a dance created by the group itself.

After the assembly, the Student Council presented gifts to the performers and Mrs. Stroupa.

## Part-Time Employment Class Offered

The Distributive Education department is offering a ten-hour course to prepare Dunbar students for part-time employment in city stores.

Classes which began on May 4 will be held for ten afternoons from 3:30-4:30. Only those who are 16 years old or over are eligible.

The course does not guarantee employment; however, each student who completes the course will receive a certificate. Merchants that will be participating in the course have been asked to give special consideration to applicants with a certificate.

Instruction includes filling out application forms, proper approach to and conduct during a job interview, good grooming and suitable business dress, cash register operation, techniques of selling, stock-keeping tips, retail arithmetic drill, and pertinent information about work permits.

based on Beethoven's 'Moonlight Sonata'." The five keyboard instruments will accompany the Glee Club.

Other choral works will include Bryceson Treharne's "Lost Chord" and "Arise Shine, Thy Light is Come."

From the senior and junior band director, Mr. J. L. Russell, come reports of preparations for presenting the "Warsaw Concerto" featuring Mr. Winfrey at the piano, and "Phedre Overture" by Jules Massenet and Henry Prucel's "Trumpet Voluntary."

## Dunbar Senior Crowned 'Miss Bronze'

The Buddies, a local women's club, sponsored a "Miss Bronze Lynchburg" Pageant on April 18 at 8 p.m. in the Dunbar Auditorium.

Regena Lee, daughter of Mrs. Geneva Lee of 301 Quincy Street, was selected by the six-judge panel as "Miss Bronze 1964."

Mr. Leslie Camm sang a song in the new queen's honor while Vice-Major A. G. Jefferson crowned her.

Attractiveness, poise, charm, talent . . . these were the makings of the first annual Miss Bronze Pageant.

Rosetta Freeman was 1st runner up, Melvinia Pinn, 2nd, Sherline McCoy, 3rd, and Mary Jean Rosser, 4th. All are members of the Junior Class at Dunbar.

Gloria Williamson, a student at Campbell County High, received the talent prize for having the best talent in the pageant and she also received the "Miss Congeniality" award. The latter award was voted on by the girls themselves.

Other participants were Edwina

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minimum age limit of 16 and because a fairly high degree of maturity is necessary in order for the student to benefit from the training and experience.

Because of the closely supervised on-the-job training, two units of credit will be given each year.

The primary objectives of the course is to prepare youth for full-time employment in the field of distribution through a co-operative training program. This course also serves as a background for those who plan to continue advanced training in business administration, marketing, or distribution.

Seven areas are studied during the two-year program, with separate units coming under these categories. Among the major areas of study are: Personal Improvement, Selling, Merchandise Information, Visual Merchandising, Management, Marketing, and the Three R's (arithmetic, speech, and writing).

## Students Attend State S. P. A.

Five students, accompanied by Miss C. G. Brown, attended the state Student Participation Association Conference held at Albert Harris High School in Martinsville, Virginia, April 11.

Delegates to the conference, Carol Wilson, President, Edwina Harris, President-elect, Barbara Brown, Margot and Marla Beverley, attended various sessions centered around the theme "Challenges and Responsibilities of Today's Youth in Coping with World Problems."

The conference will be held at Dunbar next year.



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## MR. H. A. M. JOHNS

"Experience is the child of Thought; Thought is the child of Action." This quotation aptly applies to our retiring P. T. A. president, Mr. H. A. M. Johns. Thought and action have been the key objectives of Mr. Johns during his 30 year administration.

During his presidency, Mr. Johns, with the aid of dedicated individuals who labored with him through the years, was the backbone of a phenomenal growth in membership, finance, and school and community services rendered by the P. T. A. These are only a few of his countless achievements as P. T. A. president.

Through the diligence of Mr. Johns, the P. T. A. worked toward the solution of many problems, such as the prevention of juvenile delinquency. Support of local, district, and state teachers associations was also one of Mr. Johns' vital concerns. Through his civic mindedness, parents and teachers were encouraged to register and vote.

Through the leadership of Mr. Johns, the P. T. A. worked toward needed improvements at Dunbar, such as a cafeteria, school library and expanded facilities. Through his guidance, the P. T. A. sponsored many fund raising projects. Among which were successful Library and Band Drives.

A job well done deserves praise, admiration, and appreciation.

### ON GOING STEADY

## Who Is An All-Round Student? Student Activities March 1964

Who will be President of the United States in A.D. 1999? Today his name is unknown to us, but he is probably enrolled in an American secondary school. How is he preparing for the challenge of the future?

Will he be recognized as an all-round boy?

Actually the label "most likely to succeed" may be assigned to someone else. Often school honors go to the photogenic homecoming queens and the popular athletes.

Surely an award or honor accorded any student . . . should be defensible in terms of the educational goals of the school's dedication to all the boys and girls of all the people.

Who usually wins such awards? Selections might be more satisfactory and sometimes surprising if a checklist were designed to provide for a more comprehensive inquiry involving the boy in all his daily activities.

Honors and awards may come to those destined for the glory road of fame. Sometimes they wind up in dead ends. The disservice of an award or honor improperly given is a sin against a boy who may be led to believe what isn't true.

Similar questions may be asked about the all-round girl or any award intended for the girls, some of whom also may become President of the United States. Certainly many will become important leaders and wives of important leaders.

The behavior of candidates in school certainly needs to be reviewed. The boy who shoves ahead in the cafeteria line, smokes in the

## LETTERS TO THE FORUM

### A CHALLENGE OFFERED Fellow Students:

Have you ever stopped to look at our beautiful grass? Of course, you haven't because we have none. As far as you can see, there are patches of grass here and large brown spots there. This takes away from our school. If one looked at the other school campuses in the city, he would notice quite a difference.

I realize that because of the location of our school many people use our campus for a short cut. However, we track upon what little grass we do have.

I propose a solution for this problem. Our campus should be plowed and grass seeds should be planted. The land should be wired off until the grass has a chance to grow.

The only reason that our campus is trampled on is that there is nothing to harm so we cross our campus instead of using the sidewalks. Therefore, I challenge students of Dunbar to do something about closing all the paths around our campus.

No one has taken the initiative to remedy the situation. I feel that we, the student body, are the only hope for the campus. Who has the power to do something about this? We have it and we must use it. Won't you join me in my fight for a "greener and a more beautiful campus?" I challenge you to make our school and campus equal to those of other schools in the city.

Dorothy Payne,  
Editor, Dunbar Chronicle.

### STUDENTS THANKED

I have heard that we are denied the opportunities to participate in pre-tournament meets due to financial difficulties. The Athletic Association should do something about it. They should see to it that we play someone before entering a large tournament.

Last year two of Dunbar's players went to the National Tournament but Dunbar didn't send them. They said that they felt very bad about being the only Dunbarians present. I think with a little more effort this problem can be solved.

Our coaches are trying their best to overcome this deficiency, but their efforts don't seem to be enough.

If the team goes on getting hardly any experience, we will probably end up not getting any scholarships or any recognition as a team.

Melvin Pinn.

### SCHOOL SUPPORT REQUESTED

Dear Editor:

We are now approaching a time when we witness a fall in school spirit or interest. Football and basketball seasons are over, but the track and the tennis teams are still out there fighting for our school.

These two teams practice each evening after school for unknown periods of time. They work for countless hours and sweat as much as any other athletes. But, they receive no school support. Our fellow students don't seem to know we have a tennis and a track team.

I think these athletes deserve unlimited praise for they are out there striving in the name of Dunbar in the sun and the rain, until

## ON GOING STEADY

When two people date each other exclusively, this is commonly known as "going steady." Around our school today there are many such cases. It is important that each of us know the problems as well as the good of going steady.

There are many good reasons for going steady. Among these are saving time and money. This is so because the girl knows about the boy's financial status and does not expect him to take her to places he cannot afford. Others go steady in order that they might date the person they prefer. Social security is one of the prominent reasons for going steady. One is always sure of a date for special occasions. Still others go steady for companionship—to have someone with whom to talk, listen to records, and just to be together. These are the good aspects of going steady, however, there are problems also.

It is not wise to go steady when one becomes too involved. Also if the two are separated, going steady is not suggested because it will cause the curtailing of activities. It hinders the opportunity for either to get out much. Going steady also prevents one from making a number of acquaintances. It is important to us as young people to meet and associate with as many different people as possible, instead of concentrating on one person.

Going steady, to the contrary of what most people think, is not wrong when there are good intentions. However, it is always better to get around and have as many friends as possible. There's plenty of time in the future to be tied to one person.

## DECORUM IN OUR CAFETERIA

The last bell before recess sounds and the calm halls become utter chaos and confusion. Once the air raid is over, things calm down a bit. However, this isn't for long. Suddenly Johnny enters the cafeteria demonstrating all of his linguistic talents by reciting familiar excerpts from "The Call of The Wild."

After his audience has been diverted by the music which has begun by now, Johnny decides that this unheard of peacefulness cannot be allowed to continue. He sits the "Beatle" record out and waits for something a little more impressive. It is then and only then that he will allow us to reap the benefits of a twist demonstration. When he has completed three minutes of gyrations and fifteen minutes of "The Last Chord" piano solo, Johnny decides to relax for the remaining five minutes.

His actions were really most fruitful, for where else could he find a larger audience. He didn't get a chance to eat, but he can always do that tomorrow. The students didn't enjoy their lunch very much either, but they can eat at home, so that's no problem. Twenty-five minutes of valuable time was wasted needlessly. All 25 of those minutes could have been packed with cafeteria decorum. Johnny won't be missed at all, but we miss his cafeteria decorum.

ed. The boy who shoves ahead in the cafeteria line, smokes in the washroom, sneaks out of the dances, is obnoxious in assemblies, and so on should not expect his discourtesy to be overlooked just because he is a big wheel.

The boy who walks down the corridor with his arm around a girl or even holding her hand certainly should not be singled out for distinctive honors. Boy-girl friendships are appropriate, but those involved should not make a public display of their affection.

If these suggestions are included in the future evaluation of students for high honors, some of our modest students may receive the recognition they deserve, and some of the popular heroes may be reduced to their proper proportions.

*Editor's Note: It is important*

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## SLOPPY DRESS

With summer just around the corner, the Dunbar family is faced with another problem. Some students seem to have lost their respect for dressing.

Although dirty sneakers, dingy sweat shirts with fringed sleeves, and faded dungarees are comfortable, they are highly improper for school wear. With the days being so hot, no one expects students to wear their Sunday finery to school, but surely this doesn't mean to come looking like hobos.

Though this could be one of the many ways of showing discontent with school, it is certainly looked upon unfavorably by the other students and the faculty.

The boys are to be blamed more than the girls for this not too appealing change of dress. A casual sports shirt with a neat pair of slacks will easily suffice for school wear.

It is good to remember that the habits acquired while young are usually retained during adulthood.

## STUDENTS THANKED

Dear Editor:

At this time I would like to express my deep appreciation to all those who showed their confidence in me by electing me to the office of President of the Student Council for 1964-65.

However, it is my sincere hope that the students will continue to exhibit this same confidence in me by supporting and aiding me in whatever way needed. Without their help, my position will be trivial and meaningless.

I will do my very best to utilize my position for the betterment of the student body, the school and the community.

Finally, I want to congratulate my reputable opponent for an excellent and well-fought race.

Edwina E. Harris  
President-Elect  
Dunbar Student Council

## VIEWS AIRED ON TENNIS TEAM

Dear Editor:

Recently our tennis team went to Roanoke to participate in a "so-called" Western District tennis meet, but we were highly disappointed. We didn't play because the Roanoke team said they did not know about the meet.

During the past two years our team hasn't played in "anything" except the State V.I.A. Tournament. I feel that this is insufficient because we are not able to get any pre-tournament experience. Dunbar's past records show that we are capable of winning; therefore, I think we should have the same opportunity, whether we win or lose, as the other participating schools.

Last year we had 10 to 13 players less than other schools and we didn't have any pre-experience but we placed third.

unlimited praise for they are out there striving in the name of Dunbar in the sun and the rain, until late hours in the night.

They are putting forth their greatest effort for us. Is it not right that we do the same for them?

Alfred Elliott

## Inquiring Reporter

by James Davis

*Do you think students should bring transistor radios to school? Why or Why Not?*

*Sherline McCoy*—Yes, to play during recess, but not in classes because it interferes with the lesson.

*Allan Davis*—No, because we have enough to do besides listening to music.

*Mr. Pinn*—No, because they would rather listen to rock n' roll than something cultural.

*Addison Jeffries*—No, we have music in the cafeteria at recess, so we don't need it otherwise.

*Joan Roach*—Yes, to listen to music, what else?

*Donald Jackson*—It's all right with me. Just be able to pay the price when your radio is lost or taken by someone.

*George Morton*—Yes, to play during class changing and recess. I think it would be fun.

*Samuel Crews*—Yes, because you can keep up with the latest records.

*Ronald Haskins*—I think they should, since they play them at recess.

*Bertha Goode*—I don't think that they should be brought to school.

*Julia Frye*—I don't think students should bring radios to school.

*Luther Saunders*—At recess when you don't have anything to do you may as well listen to the radio.

*Deloris White*—I don't think students should bring transistor radios to school because it interferes with their studying.

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**HONOREE FETED**—Mrs. Mildred Brown presents P.T.A. gift of silver coffee-tea service to Mr. H. A. M. Johns, who retired as P.T.A. president after 30 years, and Mrs. Johns at a recent dinner in his behalf.

## P. T. A. HEAD HONORED

A testimonial dinner in honor of Mr. H. A. M. Johns, retiring president of the Dunbar P. T. A., was held April 20 in the school cafeteria.

The program consisted of two parts: "We Speak for H. A. M. Johns" and "Stand Up for H. A. M. Johns." In the first half Mr. Johns was spoken of as the P. T. A. Founder, the P. T. A. Officer and Leader, and the Citizen by Mrs. Fannie Womack, Mrs. Helen Withers, and Mr. John Hughes, respectively. In the standing tribute to Mr. Johns, many distinguished guests were called upon for this part of the program.

Among the gifts given the honoree were a silver coffee and tea service and a pen and pencil set, presented by the P. T. A. and the student body, respectively.

A member of the Dunbar facul-

**Exercising Democracy's**

ty, Mr. L. G. Stamps recited a poem which he wrote in honor of Mr. Johns. Music was furnished by Mr. Raymond White and Mr. R. Winfrey.

Mr. O. M. Washington served as Toast Master and Mrs. Florine Hubbard was mistress of ceremony.

## ALUMNI NOTES

by Rosetta N. Freeman

Frankie Jackson, a 1958 alumna, recently became Mrs. Frank Jamerson. Her husband, a chemistry major, is a 1st Lieutenant in the United States Air Force at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Both are graduates of Hampton Institute. She resides in Maryland.

Godfrey and Betty Davis Harris (1960) recently became parents of a baby girl, Angela Elaine. Harris, a 1958 graduate of Dunbar, is now doing graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. Mrs. Harris

## Carol's Corner

By Carol Wilson  
**WE NEED MORE CONFIDENCE**

Since the beginning of his existence, man has suffered lapses of confidence. I suppose there are many things that cause a person not to live confidently, but, the primary cause of lack of confidence is the fear of failure.

Fear of failure can destroy a man's courage, optimism, and ability to enjoy life. Each of us fears failure, because we are afraid of what others will think when we fail. Is this the healthy attitude toward failure?

We must realize that in any undertaking, failure is possible. Although we may execute a task with perfection, circumstances beyond our control may cause partial or total failure.

The distressing thing about many of us is, that after failing, we practically stop living. We begin to feel that because of the occurrence of one painful experience, we dare not attempt any other undertaking, for fear of failing. With this outlook, is a person strengthening or crushing himself?

In order to live confidently, each of us must believe that life is worth living. We must accept life as it is, not as we would like it to be. Although it seems, at times, that life is troublesome, let us remember that it is glorious too.

When faced with doubts and fears, remember: "Your greatness lies in your dreams. But they are great only to the extent to which they inspire you to work and strive toward them.

"Confident Living"

## HAPPY 400th BIRTHDAY

By Pat Joplin

April began high jinks all over Britain as some two million visitors joined Englishmen in honoring their most distinguished poet, William Shakespeare.

There are those who doubt his authorship to the wonderful works and plays credited him. Regardless of these disputes no other writer or interpreter of human emotions has approached Shakespeare's genius.

Most playwrights aim at success but Shakespeare's triumphs have lived on while those of other men were soon forgotten. This is because Shakespeare was able to give form to the eternal problems at the heart of man's nature. In his work there is neat vision, understanding, and compassion. Within a few lines Shakespeare paints personalities so very fitting to the conditions of every man. Because of this, Shakespeare's readers are well informed and entertained.

"Hamlet" is many men, and to each generation he brings new significance. In his character we see the everlasting conflict between good and evil that each must face. Hamlet is far more than a man who kills his stepfather for revenge. Each of us can think of him as the mirror on which is registered his own soul.

William Shakespeare is truly one to be remembered.

## Fashion Flashes

by Brenda Anderson

Whatever you do this spring,

## The Poets Speak

MOTHER

By Katherine Edelman

Of all the love that has been known

Since time and earth began,  
Of all the faith that has been shown

Since God created man  
Of all the noble stirring deeds  
That grace the written page,  
A mother's boundless love and faith  
Stand out through every age.

Her deeds have moved the sternest hearts

To wonder and to tears,  
Her love has kindled faith and trust

Through all the changing years;

Her sacrifice, unselfishness,  
Her trust through praise or blame

Have shined her in the hearts of all

And glorified her name.

For though the world may frown or sneer,

Though failure may be ours,  
Her loves still folds, encircles us,

A rosary of flowers;  
A comforting, sustaining force,

A star that brightly gleams,  
That softens every care and hurt

And shares our hopes and dreams.

**Blessed Be The Peacemaker (For General MacArthur)**

By Brenda Anderson  
12th Grade

A bare horse led the procession down the street,

Where for the last time the crowd would meet

A faded soldier brave and

## Exercising Democracy's Greatest Privilege

By Rosa Hewitt

"... And that government of the people, by the people and for the people, shall not perish from the earth." This is Democracy, the thing for which generations gone before us have dedicated their lives.

That government, by the people, which Abraham Lincoln so strongly expressed in his Gettysburg Address is made possible here in America by use of a slip of paper called a ballot.

Here at school the Student Council recently held its annual election of president and homeroom representatives. The election was similar to those held for adult citizens. To be eligible to vote, the student had to pay a poll tax of one cent in his homeroom. Then he had to register. It was that simple.

The biggest part had already been taken care of. The rest should be easy. But is it? Why yes, anyone can mark a ballot, but can he mark it correctly?

A properly marked ballot should have an X in the box to the right of the preferred candidate. Many think that a check, an asterisk or even a zero will indicate their preference. Sure, a check will indicate your choice, but is it the correct way to vote? No!

What happens to improperly marked ballots? They are thrown out! Now you can truthfully say "My vote won't count" because it certainly won't. So next time, check the ballot correctly.

### STUDENT

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*for us to be the type of person who merits awards and honors, not the person who is popular and unworthy of an award.*

doing graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. Mrs. Harris attended Hampton.

*Marine Pvt. Daniel R. Cardwell*, class of 1963, will participate in a combined armed forces training operation called "Quick Kick V" at Camp Lejeune, N. C., with a Battalion Landing Team of the Second Marine Division at Camp Lejeune.

The exercise will bring units of the Navy, Marine Corps, Army, and Air Force together for a sea assault landing at Camp Lejeune.

Navy yeoman third class *Herman L. Anderson* has been selected as "Sailor of the Month" by his commanding officer for proficiency in rate, devotion to duty and military bearing.

*Anderson*, a 1960 graduate, is assigned to Fleet Air Wing Five in Norfolk. He entered the Navy in October, 1961 and received his recruit training at Great Lakes, Ill. He was assigned to the Naval Air Station in Norfolk upon completion of basic training.

*Mr. and Mrs. Raynah Adams* (formerly Jean Irvine, class of 1955) of Washington, D. C. are proud parents of a son, born April 17. The couple were married June 29, 1963.

*Army Staff Sgt. Carroll A. Tyler*, a 1951 graduate, and other members of the 7th Infantry Division, recently participated in Exercise Spring Thaw, a six day field training exercise in Korea.

*Tyler*, a squad leader in Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion of the division's 32nd Infantry in Korea, entered the Army in 1952 and arrived overseas in June, 1963, on this tour of duty.

*James Giles*, who is currently studying at Amherst College, plans to enroll at either Harvard or Yale Universities this fall, where he will work toward a Master's Degree. *Giles*, an English major, will graduate from Amherst College this year. He graduated from Dunbar in 1960.

to work and strive toward them.

"Confident Living,"  
Reader's Digest.

### Let's Read Awhile By Alton Cheagle "Walt Whitman, Builder for America" Babette Deutsch Julian Messner, Inc. New York

Walt Whitman spent his boyhood in Brooklyn, worked as a printer's devil, school-teacher and editor of a newspaper. He emerged as a poet when he printed, at his own expense, "Leaves of Grass." Later, expanded editions reflected his growth as a man and a poet, and his love for his native America. This is more than a biography of a poet. It is the history of a period of the changing world Whitman knew and his response to it.

### NEWSPAPER

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pending Civil Rights bill and what a wage-price war would do to the tax cut and to the economy.

Students learned such newspaper jargon as headline, lead, ears, bon, masthead, by-line, and date line.

The "Lynchburg News," a local daily paper, supplied and delivered 125 papers daily for a period of one week. In addition, "The News" offered to send Mr. W. E. Messick, Circulation Manager, to speak to the students concerning its policies and organization.

As a culmination of the unit, the students wrote news articles and editorials.

Both the man and his times have something to say to everyone who would understand his America . . . yesterday and today.

This book contains a biographical sketch and many selected verses by Whitman.

by Brenda Anderson

Whatever you do this spring, girls, unless it's with those smart set-back heels, don't do it. It's the most versatile shoe around. For a Saturday movie or a Sunday evening they're just perfect. Best of all, however, they are so-o-o comfortable. No more balancing acts just because your suit is too dressy for flats.

The crispest thing around any flower garden wouldn't be a flower at all this year. It would be  
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### ABOUT BOOKS

by Alton Cheagle

Between the bindings of any book lie the endless joy, the deep grief, the isolation on a South Pacific island, the lust for far away places, and even the grasp of the remote celestial bodies.

Conquerable as they seem, or even as referable as they are, books hold a mystic power over their readers. Some may cause great laughter, chuckles, or even a smile, but others can cause the tears to flow and even the sorrows to turn to bitterness. This is the power of books.

But wait,—spellbinding chills and thrills are not all that books can offer. Did you ever wonder why the sky was blue or even why our eyes see what they see? The answer lies on the pages.

When we speak of a book, ordinarily we venture to picture it as a prop or as an obstacle. To our pleasure this is wrong. Whether books be long, short, thick, thin, pocket-sized or gigantic in size, they still hold their places with all men. The appearance of a dreary, old room can somehow be livened up by the presence of a good book.

Even if some books are bad and many others good, they will always hold to their three promises and purposes to all who make a date with them. They will delight, entertain and inform their readers.

where for the last time the crowd would meet  
A faded soldier brave and strong,  
While the band played a solemn song.  
A few tears fell as they went their way,  
Baring the caisson in the heat of the day.  
Though he sleeps silently in Norfolk tonight,  
His deeds will become a guiding light.  
Blest be he who lifts his head  
In glowing triumph among the dead.

Know we now what he didn't learn  
That even through death,  
"I shall return."

### ENDURING HATRED

By Sharon Stone  
10th Grade

I.

Oh! Hatred, how unmercifully  
I am held in thy grasp  
How unlettered is my hatred  
concealed!  
My soul, ye have grasped with  
no mercy for tenderness;  
My heart throbs with the blood  
of hate.

My hatred is unending . . .  
forever so enduring.  
I have no heart . . .  
I have no soul . . .  
I have made my bed of hatred,  
And there must lie.

II.

Oh! Hatred, free me from thy  
bond!  
Give back a pure heart and a  
mindful soul.  
I beg thee, the humble lowly  
being thou hast made me,  
Free me! Free me! Send me  
back a heart to love;  
Send back a pure soul to be  
my guide  
I beseech thee! Oh Hatred!  
Thou art a waste!  
Thou art the sourest fruit of  
life—

The fruit I so foolishly  
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## Track Team Participates In District Relays

The Dunbar track team journeyed to Alexandria on April 11 to participate in the Parker-Gray Relays.

They participated in the two-mile relay, the mile relay, the sprint-medley and the distant medley. They received eight points for a second place in the sprint-medley. The runners were Herman Jones, running the quarter-mile, James Johnson, running the 220, Winfred Smith, running the 220-yard, and James Franklin, running the half-mile. Their times were:

Herman Jones, 51 seconds for the 440-yard, James Johnson and Winfred Smith, 24.4 and 24 seconds for the 220-yard dash, respectively, and James Franklin, 2:02 minutes for the 880 yard run.

The team time was 3:41.1 minutes overall.

Other worthwhile efforts were put forth by Ocie Sydnor, running a 54 quarter, Sherman Thomas, running a 2:08 half-mile, and Robert Thompson, running a 2:10 half-mile.

In field events Perno Johnson and Clarence Patrick went out at 5'6".

On Friday, April 17, the Poets participated in a triangle meet in Charlottesville.

## ROVING SPORTS REPORTER

by Rufus Oglesby

The major sports event of 1963 was the World Series, in which the Dodgers humbled the mighty Yankees and stunned the sports world. Who do you think will win the pennant and World Series this



**MUSCLE SAVER**—Silas Herndon, left, tests isometric bar while Mandell Davis adds more weights. The new piece of equipment is designed to reduce muscle injuries.

### Isometric Bar To Reduce Muscle Injuries

The Athletic Department has acquired a new piece of equipment, an Isometric Bar. With this one piece of equipment, a person can perform six different exercises in one minute. Another marvel is that there is little chance of pulling a muscle or spraining a leg or arm. There is hardly any movement.

Football Coach J. Organ says that he hopes to cut down on the number of knee injuries through using the Isometric Bar. He intends to put the bar to work during an April and May conditioning period which began April 8.

### Is Physical Fitness Important?

Since the inauguration of our late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, one of the prominent discussions is the

## Poets Recapture First Place At Penn Relays

The Dunbar Poets recaptured first place in the first section high school mile relay competition in Philadelphia last Saturday. For four consecutive years the Poets had taken first place in the Penn Relays until they received second place honors last year.

With a winning time of 3:30.7, trackmen James Johnson, running the first leg in 53.7, Herman Jones, taking the second in 51, Ocie Sydnor, running the third in 54, and James Franklin anchoring the race in 51.9, recollared first place for Dunbar.

## CLUB GLANCES

### F. T. A.

At the April meeting of the Future Teachers of America, the following officers were elected: Barbara Brown, president; Edna Ross, vice-president; Freida Thomas, secretary; Farnese Hicks, assistant secretary; Betty Davis, treasurer; and Deloris Cardwell, chaplain.

### Jr. Red Cross

The Jr. Red Cross chapter selected Ruth Hartman as delegate to the annual regional convention to be held at Hood College, Frederick, Md. this summer. Ruth will also serve as president of the chapter next year.

### Business Club

Several members of the FBLA attended the State convention at Virginia State College, Petersburg, on April 11.

"Quality Performance for Future Success" was the conference theme. Individual panel discus-

## DUNBAR TENNIS TEAM PLACES 4th IN STATE MEET

Dunbar's tennis team ventured to Hampton for the annual state tournament which was held April 30-May 2.

Although no individual trophies were won, Dunbar placed 4th with 31 points.

Dunbar netters Elmer Reid, Lyndell Walker, Melvin Pinn, Aretha Walker and Sherline McCoy made prominent advances. Reid and Pinn, seeded number four, were defeated in their quarter-finals doubles match.

Sherline McCoy and Aretha Walker, who were also seeded number four, bowed to Norcum in the girls' quarter-finals doubles.

Other members who added points to the team were Carolyn Jackson, Christine Richardson, Juan Thorpe, Kenneth Oglesby, Eugene Ferguson and Sandra Jackson.

Armstrong High School of Richmond, who won the tourney last year, again placed first with a total of 41 points.

### Students Pick Top Ten Songs

In a recent survey students were asked to vote for their two favorite records. From this survey the CHRONICLE Staff was able to determine the top ten records at Dunbar. They are:

1. That's when it Hurts—Ben E. King
2. I'm So Proud—The Impressions
3. Here's a Heart—The Diplomats
4. One Girl—Garnet Mimms and the Enchanters
5. My Guy—Mary Wells
6. I Can't Stand It—Soul Sisters
7. Faith—Wallace Brothers
8. Shoop Shoop Song (It's in his Kiss)—Betty Everette
9. Matador—Major Lance
10. Precious Words—Wallace Brothers

### FASHION

(Continued from page 3, col. 4) one of the light airy hats. Synthetic straws are unbelievably versatile. Some of the more expensive ones can actually be washed. The cloche and the pillbox hats are never out of style because they are so very basic. Try a cloche out of this wonder creation.

Phyllis Thomas, Bessie Hamlet, Anne Jennings, and Diane Lewis.

Faculty members attending were Mrs. E. C. Watson, Mr. W. T. Lewis, Mr. W. Sinkler and Mr. R. S. Robinson.

### Business Ed. Day Sponsored

March 26 was officially proclaimed as Business Education Day. Sponsored by the Business Department, the day began with an assembly program. Dr. R. Walter Johnson, prominent local physician, and founder of American Tennis Association Junior Development Program for potential tennis champions, was the guest speaker.

Dr. Johnson spoke on the role of business education in today's society. He gave illustrations of how the American business world has progressed. "5,000,000 people are unemployed today as a result of the growing use of machines," stated Dr. Johnson. "Business education must compete against unemployment."

Gloria Johnson, president of the FBLA, introduced the speaker. The chorus furnished music.

ees and stunned the sports world. Who do you think will win the pennant and World Series this year? Why?

*Ruth Hartman*—I think the Yankees will win, because they are in a weaker league.

*Donald Culpepper*—I think the Dodgers will win again, because they have the potential and Koufax.

*Kenneth Oglesby*—I think the Dodgers will win the series again because they have both speed and hustle. If Frank Howard lives up to his potential, they might win by ten games.

*James White*—I think the Yankees will win, because they lost last year.

*Donald Jackson*—I think the Dodgers will win if Johnny Podres can continue to win.

*Nancy Patrick*—The Giants should win the series, because they have the necessary assets to be champs, namely Willie Mays.

*Mr. C. F. Pinn*—The Mets will win. You can't stay on the bottom all of the time.

*Alan Davis*—I think the Dodgers will pin the pennant, because they have a rendezvous with destiny—the Yankees.

*Eugene Ferguson*—In my opinion, the Twins will win the American League flag, and Koufax will sweep them in the series.

*Thelma Thomas*—The Dodgers will win easily. They have the makings of a good team.

*Kendall Barnett*—I don't think anyone can accurately predict the winner, because of the keen competition in the National League.

*Mrs. M. G. Robinson*—I think the Yankees will win. Their team will have some interesting players on the field this year.

*Andrew Hubbard*—The Dodgers have the same players that won last year. They should be able to repeat.

*Daniel Calloway*—I think the Dodgers will win because they have the best all-around players.

Our late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, one of the prominent discussions is the physical fitness of our nation. One of the many questions is the importance of such physical fitness.

Many elderly adults and many young adults question the need for physical fitness programs. They feel that children should not take such strenuous exercises. It is the opinion of the elderly sect that a teenager or a young person can receive enough exercise through work.

It is true that one can receive exercise through labor, but seldomly are the muscles used in manual labor. Several muscles are developed, but those that are not used remain undeveloped and useless.

Furthermore, a physically fit person is a healthy person. It is a known fact that a person who is in good physical condition has less illness than the person who is not.

### POETS SPEAK

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plucked!

Free me! Free me from this clutch

This clutch of Disaster, which aims a cloud

A cloud to cover my stolen, souring soul.

### III.

I am weak, my body is growing slowly limp.

I am doomed!

I chose and am now suffering . . .

It is too late!

Oh! Hatred, though doomed I am, and doomed unknowingly,

Thou slowly drifting away, T'was not you, I plucked to find;

T'was not you, O bitter fruit! T'was the "Light of Life"

I sought to find . . .

But blindly sought you.

Quality Performance for Future Success" was the conference theme. Individual panel discussions, as well as workshops were held.

Attending the conference were Gloria Johnson, president, Arthur Hardeman, Edward Wright, Rufus Oglesby, Thelma Sherman, Mary Poindexter, Patricia Crews and Valerie Minor.

Also Ernestine Marshall, Patricia Green, Patricia Kinney, DeLores Anderson, Wanda Harris,

Gloria Johnson, president of the FBLA, introduced the speaker. The chorus furnished music.

Several business machines used in offices today were on display in the East Building.

## BAND - CHORUS ANNUAL CONCERT MAY 18 8 P. M.



**DISTRICT WINNERS**—Science-Math conference winners flank winning general science project of Frank Hughes (far left). Other winners are (left to right) Carolyn Jackson, Raymond Jones, Ocie Sydnor, Sherline McCoy, and Wiley Harris.

## STUDENTS PLACE AT DISTRICT SCIENCE-MATH CONFERENCE

The Science-Math Conference held March 21 at Albert Harris High School in Martinsville proved rewarding for several Dunbar students.

The following students placed in the various categories:

Chemistry: 2nd Place, Ocie Sydnor

Physics: 1st Place, Carolyn Jackson

Physics: 2nd Place, Sherline McCoy

Physics: 4th Place, James Davis  
General Science: 1st Place—Wiley Harris

"B" Projects: 2nd Place in General Science, Frank Hughes  
Third Place in Biology, Raymond Jones

Along with the winners, Gerard Hutcherson, Sarah Scott, Margot and Marla Beverly, and Farnese Hicks were invited to attend the State Conference held April 25 at Hampton Institute in Hampton.

never out of style because they are so very basic. Try a cloche out of this wonder creation.

Sandals are being displayed in many store windows now and they are the living end. Most of them are padded in the instep to baby your feet.

### MISS BRONZE

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Harris, Eunice Jones, Nancy Patrick, Marjorie Penn, Patricia Brown, Brenda Anderson, and Viola Lynch, of Dunbar.

### INQUIRING REPORTER

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*Conrad Wayne*—Yes, if you do not disturb anyone else but yourself.

*Temple Jefferson*—Yes, because they can play them at recess while eating.

*Elizabeth Robinson*—Yes, because they ease the mind when you get hot or tense.

*Wanda Harris*—No, I don't think so because it tends to take away from one's study as I have found out by experience.

*Frances Bolding*—I feel that students should not have the privilege of bringing transistor radios to school. School is an educational institution and recreational activity should be sought at your recreation center.

*Miss Lomax*—No!

*Mrs. Early*—When you deal with a large number of people, a question of this nature is difficult to answer. Some pupils would know when to use the transistor—but others will abuse this privilege. Such rules must be made for the masses, and considering how some pupils could cause confusion, I would cast my vote against transistors being brought to school.

*Miss Withers*—If the purpose of a school is to provide an environment conducive to learning, I would be opposed to transistors. There are too many students here who would abuse such a privilege.