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## News In Brief

Every Monday at 4 p.m., Barbara Brown, a junior in homeroom 203, broadcasts Dunbar current events on radio station WLLL (950).

Anyone who has news to be reported should contact Barbara by Thursday of each week. She reserves the right to edit the news.

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Assistant Principal Mrs. P. F. Weeden and Mrs. A. R. Wesley and Mrs. Y. T. Ferguson, both Dunbar English teachers, received invitations to President Johnson's inaugural activities.

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State Senator Leroy R. Johnson, (D-Ga.), was the speaker at a 2 o'clock dinner meeting sponsored by Hunton Branch Y.M.C.A., January 24 in the cafeteria at Dunbar.

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Misses M. L. Williams, A. B. Chambers, B. S. Payne and Mrs. M. Hall and Mrs. M. N. Powell recently completed a first aid course sponsored by the American Red Cross.

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Mr. W. C. McClure, French and Math. instructor; Miss M. L. Williams, science; and Librarian Mrs. S. F. Davis recently returned to school after hospitalization.

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## Four Listed Finalists In National Achievement Program

Four Dunbar seniors were listed among 639 finalists in the first National Achievement Scholarship Program for outstanding Negro students. The test is administered by the National Merit Scholarship Corp.

They include Alfred H. Elliott, III, Hylan T. Hubbard, III, Freida P. Thomas, and Lemuel E. Lewis.

**About 230 of the 639 finalists will receive four-year college scholarship, ranging from \$1,000 to \$6,000, depending on the student's needs. "The major goal of the Achievement Program," says Mr. John M. Stalmaker, president of N.M.S. Corp., "is to develop new section techniques."**

Alfred, son of Mrs. M. W. Elliott of 1113 15th Street, is interested in attending Lafayette College and studying electrical engineering. Some of his extra-curricular activities include the Male Speech Choir, football team, and National Thespian Society.

Hylan anticipates attending Cornell University, where he plans to study electrical engineering. He received an award of \$700 to attend the 1964 summer sessions at Phillips Exeter Academy. He is president of the senior class



**SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS**—Principal C. W. Seay reads letter from National Merit Scholarship Corp. announcing finalists in its National Achievement program. Four finalists are Freida Thomas, Hylan Hubbard, Lemuel Lewis, and Alfred Elliott.

grandson of Mrs. M. P. Hubbard of 411 Floyd Street.

**Freida, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thomas of 815 Madison Street, plans to at-**

**tend Wilmington College to become a mathematician or teacher. She is a member of the Dunbarian staff, senior chorus and many other or-**

**ganizations.**

Also receiving this honor is Lemuel Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lewis of 1004 Sixth Street. He is interested in attending the University of Virginia to become an electrical



Dunbar Glee Club participated on January 8 in an Educational (Turn to page 4, col. 1)

Speech Choir. He also holds membership in many other organizations. Hylan is the



**STRATEGY BOARD**—Mapping plans for Bloodmobile visit to Dunbar are Mrs. A. R. Wesley, J.R.C. sponsor, Ruth Hartman, president, and Mrs. Robert Henchcliffe, Red Cross representative.

## Red Cross Bloodmobile Schedule Visit At Dunbar

The Red Cross Bloodmobile is scheduled to visit Dunbar on Thursday, February 25, under the sponsorship of the school's Red Cross Chapter.

**To insure the success of the Bloodmobile visit, the Dunbar Student Council and the Junior Red Cross Chapter co-sponsored "Blood Donors' Day" on February 13. At that time students knocked on the doors of hundreds of homes in the city in an all-out effort to secure blood donors. Adult captains in every section of the city worked with the student volunteers.**

Principal C. W. Seay remarked, "This is a tremendous responsibility, but it can be

successfully carried out. To do so will require the combined efforts and co-operation of members, other students, faculty, and members of the community. Growing up means accepting the privileges of citizenship, but equally important it means assuming the responsibilities too.

"I ask the co-operation of every good citizen, young and old to help make the visit a great success."

The goal is to secure pledges from at least 250 persons. Each donor will give one pint of blood.

**Students 18 years of age and older are eligible to make their contribution to the blood bank.**

## Combo In Concert

As a fund-raising project this year, the Student Council will sponsor the Jivers' Combo in concert Friday, March 5.

"The Versatility of Music" will be the theme of the affair to be held in the school auditorium at 8:00 p.m.

Designed to enlighten the audience in the various types of music, the concert repertoire will include jazz, folk music, rock 'n roll, and classical selections. Nursery rhymes will be introduced in order to illustrate how forms of rhythm are derived.

Having given concerts of this type earlier this year in Richmond, Va. and Washington, D. C., the Jivers are experienced in this type of "music education for enjoyment" program.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any member of the Jivers' Combo or the Student Council. Advance tickets are 75c for students and \$1.00 for adults. All tickets will be \$1.25 at the door.

**The Red Cross urges younger students to make a contribution by working to secure donors.**

According to Mrs. Wesley, faculty sponsor, "Each donor will be carefully checked by nurses and doctors to determine his fitness to give blood. If there is the slightest chance of harm to the donor, he will be rejected."

Chapter committee chairmen are: Ann Jennings, registration; Vivian Cardwell, personnel; Letha Trimiari, publicity; and Delores Johnson, assembly program.

All Junior Red Cross members will serve as recruiters.

the National Tiespian Society, the French and Latir Clubs, and is managing editor of the CHRONICLE.

**Each student is a member of**

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## Hillbilly Weddin' Set For March 22

A three-act comedy, "Hillbilly Weddin'," by La Roma Gretch will be presented by the Seniors on Monday, March 22, at 8:00 p.m. in the Dunbar Auditorium.

The comedy, whose setting is a dilapidated log cabin in the Kentucky hill-country, has a hilarious plot concerning a family's efforts to get their eldest daughter, Ceelie Belsnickle, portrayed by Frieda Thomas, married.

Other members of the cast are Alfred Elliott, Carolyn Brown, Nancy Patrick, Melvina Pinn, Ersie Silas and Odella Wood.

Also, Margaret Graves, Sherman McCoy, Arthur Hardeman, Calvin Hubbard, Mary Rosser, Carlton Anderson and Clyde Thomas.

Other seniors will act as extras. Carlton Anderson and Freida Thomas are chairmen of publicity and tickets, respectively. Seniors in the vocational shops are in charge of scenery, properties, and costumes.

Mrs. M. Robinson and Mrs. E. Watson are directing the play.

## Music Contest Held

Sylvina Robinson and Davis Jones, vocalists, and William Robinson, clarinetist, were selected as first place winners in the Bland Music Contest held last Thursday at a 2 p.m. program at Dunbar.

The contest is sponsored annually by the local Lions Clubs.

Winners on the local level receive small cash awards and certificates. First place winners will represent Dunbar in the district and state contest, where they will vie for a \$1,000 music scholarship.

## Dunbar Abolishes Mid-term Exams

Mid-term exams, usually scheduled the last week in January at Dunbar, have been dropped as of this school year.

Dr. Arnold P. Fleshood, Director of Instruction of the Public School System, gives these three main reasons for discontinuing the mid-term examinations.

**"The added responsibility and loss of instructional time in administering a variety of State-Sponsored Tests." These state sponsored tests include: School and College Ability Tests, the Sequential Test of Educational Progress, and the Differential Aptitude Test.**

**"The tremendous loss of instructional time in the review examination grading cycle. At least a week of instructional time is lost.**

**"New requirements of the State Board of Education as to the number of days of actual attendance devoted to regular instruction in order to qualify for state reimbursement."**

He explained that the idea of eliminating mid-term exams has been under discussion and study by the principal and school administration officials for several years.



## Seniors Win Essay Contest

Four seniors from Dunbar received scholarship awards for their entry in the Co-operative Building and Loan Association's first essay contest.

The general topic of the essay was "Thrift and Its Relations to Economics." The contest was designed for two purposes: to aid desiring high school students and to encourage younger people to be more economical.

## Dunbar Students Appear On 'Saturday Session'

Fifty-four juniors and seniors represented Dunbar on WDBJ Television's "Saturday Session" in Roanoke on January 16.

In addition to demonstrating the latest dance steps, the group also projected talent. The Ventures, a vocal group consisting of Freida Thomas, Clyde Thomas, Christine Richardson, and Carlton Anderson, sang "Can I Get a Witness?" and "Unchained Melody." Carlton also sang "On the Street Where You Live." Herman Jones was the accompanist.

The winners in the dance contest were Phyllis White and Arthur Hardeman. They received a blouse and a shirt, respectively.

Silas Herndon proudly displayed some of his better pieces of art.

A panel discussion on "Juvenile Delinquency" was moderated by M. C. Dudley Townsend with Freida

Entry blanks for this contest were sent to students in all high schools in the city and surrounding counties.

Winners from Dunbar were Sherman P. McCoy, fourth place, \$75.00; Freida Thomas, fifth place, \$75.00; Hylan Hubbard, ninth place, \$25.00; and Lemuel Lewis, tenth place, \$25.00.

## Betty Crocker Homemaker Named

Bertha Wood has been named Dunbar's 1965 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. She scored highest in a written homemaking examination taken by senior girls in the homemaking curriculum.

Bertha is now eligible for state and national competition.

The state's highest-ranking girl will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from General Mills, Inc., the runner-up a \$500 educational grant. The national winner will receive a scholarship of \$5,000. Second, third and fourth place winners will receive grants of \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000, respectively.

Miss E. H. Holmes is Bertha's homemaking teacher.

## 'Safety Magic Show' Well Received

The Physical Education Department last Wednesday presented a "Safety Magic Show," which was well received by the audience.

The 2 p.m. program was sponsored by the Public Rela-

## Co-Captain Leads District Scoring

Co-Captain Wheeler Hughes, a junior, has distinguished himself as the highest scorer in the Western District V.I.A. Averaging 20.5 points per game, Hughes has a high game score of 28 points against Southside of Blairs.

Hughes is the son of Mr. Wheeler Hughes, Sr., who is considered the best basketball player in the history of the sport at Dunbar. Many fans ask: Can Wheeler, "Wee-Wee," ever fill the shoes of his father?

The coach thinks so. Coach Waters says, "Wheeler has some of the best moves I have ever seen. He will have a great task to perform if he is to step into his father's shoes, but he has made an excellent step forward. Wheeler is a true sportsman. But, most of all, he continuously strives for perfection. He is never content, regardless how much he improves. He realizes there is still a long way he can go. Wheeler is destined to be one of the true greats."

## Langston Defeats Poets, 73-72

Dunbar received a heart-breaking defeat on January 27 at the hands of Langston High. The Poets were trimmed by the sharpshooting Danville team.

The Poets fought a hard battle throughout the game but were unable to get the



Poet's Edward Brown (14 white) jumps for ball against Burley's De Berry on Dunbar courts. Dunbar won 63-59.

## Poets Hand Burley Second Loss

The Dunbar Poets stopped Burley High of Charlottesville Wednesday, February 3, in a game that was to have been played on the preceding Saturday but was postponed because of snow.

Whether it was the middle of the week or what, seemingly the Poets could not get themselves together until the second half. In the second quarter of the game the home team scored eight points allow-

ing the Burley Bears to tie the score at 31-31. However, after Dunbar regained the lead, which was taken slightly by Burley at the beginning of the third period, the Bears were able to "see no more light."

The final score was 63-59. Dunbar's high scorers were Donald Culpepper, popping 21 points, and Buddy Davis, hitting 17.

Also, the J.V.'s beat the Burley J.V.'s 39-24.

## Dunbar Grid Star Wins Scholarship

James Johnson, co-captain of the 1964 football team and a member of the National Honor Society, has been granted a football scholarship to Wake Forest College in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.



A limited tour of the school was led by junior M. C. Edwina Harris, president of the Student Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Watson served as coordinators of the program.

### ALUMNI NOTES

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**Clayton Taliaferro**, class of '58 and a graduate of dance at the Boston Conservatory of Music is touring as a soloist with the Emily Frankel Dance Drama Co. in Europe for 10 weeks. The tour, under the sponsorship of the Arts Council of Great Britain, began on January 20 in Perth, Scotland and played throughout Scotland, England and Ireland for eight weeks, before going to Belgium and Holland.

Before leaving the U.S., the company performed in Union, New Jersey on January 7. Included in this performance was the debut of a new work, "Recollection Knoxville, 1915," choreographed by Emily Frankel with music by Samuel Barber. In this work Taliaferro danced the lead role of the father opposite Emily Frankel.

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TV program, sponsored by the school system. Mr. J. S. Bach, music supervisor, was in charge.

## Student Council Heads Speak

On January 26, Edwina Harris and Carolyn Jackson, president and vice-president, respectively, of the Dunbar Student Council spoke to the R. S. Payne Elementary School Student Council at their monthly meeting.

Their topic was "The Function of the Student Council and Its Program." A question and answer period followed.

R. S. Payne's council is headed by president Donna Bradley, seventh grade, and vice-president Robert Obey, sixth grade. Mrs. Vascar B. Harris is teacher sponsor.

presently on leave from the Kent County Sheriff's department, Grand Rapids, Michigan, conducted the show. The one hour program consisted of humorous but profound comments by Sgt. Pike on good and bad driving habits and attitudes of teenagers. A unique magic show highlighted the program. At the conclusion of his one-man show, Sgt. Pike received a standing ovation.

Sgt. Pike hopes to reduce the traffic accident rate throughout the nation by means of his fulfilled demonstrations and lectures.

Mr. C. F. Pinn, chairman of the Physical Education department, was coordinator of the program.

### Take A Hint from Nancy

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Dunbar at all times?

Yes  No

If all your answers are YES, you are a bonafide member of the Dunbar family. You should be commended. If you answered NO to as many as three of the above, you want to belong but lack that extra something that can be attained by earnest desire. Those who answered NO to more than three are not good Dunbar citizens and will probably not make good future adult citizens.

two reasons. First, Langston is the leading contender in the district; and, secondly, Dunbar was beaten on the Langston court earlier in the season.

In the last quarter the two teams played leap frog. However, in the last few minutes the Langston team took a lead of about 7 points. The Poets closed this score within one point of the Lions score with three seconds left in the game. Dunbar was not able to raise the score.

The final score was 72-73.

### Local Governing Bodies Studied

Seniors in American Government classes, taught by Mr. H. S. Ferguson, are studying a unit on local government.

The students' main objective is to observe these organizations in action and to make reports on their findings to their classmates. These visitations will enable them to see the practical side of the local governing bodies.

The first visit, with Hylan Hubbard as chairman, was to a City Council meeting. Carolyn Jackson, a member of the group, commented, "The visit to the City Council meeting was very interesting and informative. I learned about the procedure of the Council meeting. Also it gave me a better understanding of present problems encountered by the councilmen."

Other visits will include meetings of the City Planning Commission, the School Board and the City Courts.

James Johnson is coordinator of the entire group.

ship of Coach John Organ, won western district honors in 1963 and 1964.

In addition, he is a member of the track team and ran on the mile relay and medley relay teams.

Johnson has been president of the sophomore class and also of his junior class. He also has won western district honors in the science and mathematics fields.

At Wake Forest, he will major in mathematics. Eventually he hopes to become a research mathematician.

Johnson will keep the four-year scholarship if he continues to maintain good grades.

He chose Wake Forest over numerous schools including Syracuse, Virginia Polytechnical Institute, Michigan State, Iowa, Michigan University, Virginia State at Norfolk, Morgan State, Virginia State, and Maryland. The above schools scouted him the past season.

On February 6, Johnson visited Wake Forest, where he met other members of the coaching staff.

James Johnson is the son of Mrs. Alberta Johnson of 113 Smythe Street.

### NATIONAL FINALISTS

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**the National Honor Society, the Debating Society, and the Dunbar CHRONICLE. Each was chosen by a selection committee, whose job was to select 4,200 scholars among entries of 1,300 secondary schools across the country.**

The finalists will be announced in March.

mammoth Municipal Stadium, the Browns of that city defeated the Baltimore Colts for the Professional football world championship. In the crowd of 85,000 spectators was Dunbar's gridiron coach, John Organ.

When big Gary Collins ran a "hook and go" pattern on Bobby Boyd for the first Brown score, Coach Organ was watching.

As incomparable Jimmy Brown blasted his way to the Colt 18 yard line, Coach Organ cheered, "Go, Jimmy, Go!"

Before Gino "the Giant" Marchetti could recover from Dick Shafraath's crunching block, Coach Organ saw Paul Warfield near the end zone waiting for a Frank Ryan arial.

While John Unitas fake-pumped one last time, trying to find Raymond Berry on a side-line pattern, "Little Mo" Modzelewski charged through to *crush him to the earth*, and Coach Organ leaped to his feet in exhalation.

With thirty seconds remaining on the clock and Cleveland threatening to score again, two-hundred fans wrestled down the North goal posts . . . Coach Organ helped them.

After the final gun sounded and the hysterical hero-worshippers dashed on the field to shake the hands of their heroes, Coach Organ was there, too . . . looking for Jimmy Brown.

And when that exciting day was over and the spectators went to get into their cars, some of them had been towed away—That's right! Coach Organ's was too.

**"HILLBILLY WEDDIN"**

**MARCH 22, 1965**

**8:15 P. M.**