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Dunbar Host To Western District March 5

Students See World Series Movie

By Calvin Davis

Even though basketball was in the air the baseball spirit was anewed as the Dunbar student body played host to a sport production entitled *The '48 World Series* presented by Mr. Washington in the auditorium on Tuesday, January 11. Mr. Washington, who gave a brief lecture on the content of the movie, illustrated that the Negro is rapidly being elevated to his rightful position in the world of sports.

The highlight of the movie came when the Negro out-fielder, Larry Doby, walloped the first homer of the forty-eighth world series. Another point of interest was when Satchel Paige, recognized by many as the world's greatest living pitcher, acted as relief artist for the Cleveland Indians and in doing so halted a rally which might have caused the Indians to lose the series. The production was not only educational but also proved a stimulant for the future Negro athletes of America.

Sixty-five Eighth Graders Coming Patrol Reorganized

Sixty-five eighth graders are expected to enter Dunbar from Payne School with the coming of the new semester.

At the same time that these new faces appear, some very familiar faces will disappear from the scenes of activity, since eighteen seniors will give up their cherished places in the "hall of learning."

February graduates are as follows:

Academic: Frank Austin, Ronald Higginbotham, William Kinney, Marion Brown, Esther Harris, Jean Payne, Mildred Saunders, Bessie Shelton, and Icinia Warren.

General: Malcolm Cobbs, Duval Leggs, Roy Nowlin, Lawrence Wood, Ollie Davis, Lilliemae Gordon, Virginia Hall and Marie Ross.

P. T. A. Launches Membership Drive

By Ella Davis

The Dunbar Parent-Teachers Association is launching a membership drive.

The Patrol Force has recently been reorganized and to date no patrolman has been reported for having trouble with teachers or being disorderly in the classroom. All patrolmen seem to keep up their work scholastically and they not only take part in their work willingly but eagerly, thereby compiling an excellent record for the term.

The eleven members* of the Patrol Force are Captain Walter Hughes, Lieutenant Ronald Higginbotham and Marion Brown and Patrolmen Preston Lee, Edward Smith, Dallas Crews, Louis Hill, Robert Cobbins and George Saunders. The patrol girls are Jean Payne and Lilliemae Gordon.

Their motto and greatest aim is to promote safety, law and order at all times in and around the school. Until one becomes a patrolman he never realizes how tough an organization it is. Through rain, snow or sleet they are always prepared to take over their assigned corners. At basketball and football games they earnestly carry out their duties.

Chorus and Band in Concert

By Rosa Ford

The annual concert of the Dunbar chorus will be jointly given this year by the chorus and band.

The concert will be March 29 in the Dunbar Auditorium. There will be two performances: a matinee for students and an evening presentation for adults. Students may come to the evening performance, but they will have to pay adult prices.

The chorus and band included will be rendering twenty songs from coverage of various songs from Russian, French, German, English and American composers. The program will be of modern contemporary songs which will be appealing to everyone regardless of his taste.

This year there will not be a guest soloist.

The band will wear its uniforms for the first time in this concert.

Pre-tournament Committee Meet February 26

Dunbar will be host to the March 5, 1949 Western District Basketball Tournament at the City Armory. Every year the Western District Basketball Tournament is held at various schools throughout the Western District. The schools that belong to the Western District are Danville, Roanoke, Salem, Charlottesville, Staunton, Harrisonburg, Bedford, Lexington, and Lynchburg. Bedford and Lexington have been members for only two years.

The teams are classified according to their standing; that is, the games won and lost. The first four teams that emerge victorious in the District Tournament will go to Virginia State where they will meet the four top teams of each of the Four Districts of Virginia. In the District Tournament it is necessary to win two games to get into the finals. The third game won is for getting in the tournament finals. At Virginia State it is

Prospective Graduates

Present Ball

By Calvin Davis

On the eve of January 26, from 7:00 to 10:30 P. M. the Dunbar Safety Patrol and Student Council held their Inaugural Ball in the Dunbar Gymnasium; and on that night of gaiety the King and Queen of Dunbar were inaugurated. The contestants, who were picked by ballot, were chosen from the two sponsoring groups. They were as follows: from the Patrol Force—Walter Hughes, Ronald Higginbotham, Jean Payne and Lilliemae Gordon; from the Student Council—Frank Bondurant, Carrington Thomas, Mildred Saunders and Icinia Warren.

The inauguration ceremonies were administered by Mr. Seay; and the King, Carrington Thomas, and Queen, Jean Payne, were guests of honor the whole night. A large and enthusiastic crowd attended and everyone had an enjoyable evening.

Burmese Educator Addresses Students

On January 18, 1949, Miss Katherine Khin Khin, a native of Rangoon, Burma, addressed the student body at a special assembly.

Miss Khin Khin, who came to this country last year to attend a religious conference, is principal of a high school in her native country.

Her speech to the students was one of great interest and equally as inspiring.

She mentioned, among other facts, religion in her country, but emphasized the fact that she, herself, was a Christian.

She challenged the group to take their places in the world of today and lauded the accomplishments of the Negro race.

Dunbar Parent-Teachers Association is launching a membership drive which will get under way at the February meeting.

This is an attempt to get more family representation at the monthly meetings. Special emphasis will be placed on increasing the attendance of fathers, since the bulk of attendance heretofore has been by the mothers of Dunbar students and female patrons.

Special programs are being arranged for each meeting. At the February meeting a forum in which parents, patrons and teachers will participate will be presented.

earnestly carry out their duties of collecting ticket stubs, ushering and keeping the best possible discipline among the students. Within the building, patrolmen are always active in the auditorium, at water fountains and in the home rooms.

Sharing in the work of the patrol force are the patrol sponsors, Mr. Washington, Mr. White and Mr. Ferguson. The patrolmen may at any time look to them when assistance is needed in carrying out a program.

*New patrolmen for the second semester are Ella Davis, Gladys Sandifer, Jimmy Trimiar, and Leroy Harvey (reinstated). New lieutenant is Louis Hill.

Prospective Graduates Given Psychological Tests

By Bessie Shelton

On January 13, 1949, the prospective 1949 graduates were given a psychological test. These tests which were designed to determine mental ability were given to Seniors throughout the state.

Half of the Seniors took the examination in Room 14 during the morning periods while the others took the test in Room 8 during the afternoon period.

The examination lasted one hour and a half.

finals. At Virginia State it is necessary to win three games to get to the finals and the fourth game is played for the championship.

Dunbar has been a member of the Western District for the past ten years. She won the District Tournament in 1938, 1942, 1945, and 1948 in the ten-year span, and was the runner-up in 1939.

A dance is usually held at the end of the District Tournament and during this time the trophies and awards are presented. The winning teams receive their awards, and selections for the most valuable players are made.

It is believed, however, that the home team has a more definite advantage, having more support and familiarity with the court. During this time the students really act as hosts and hostesses.

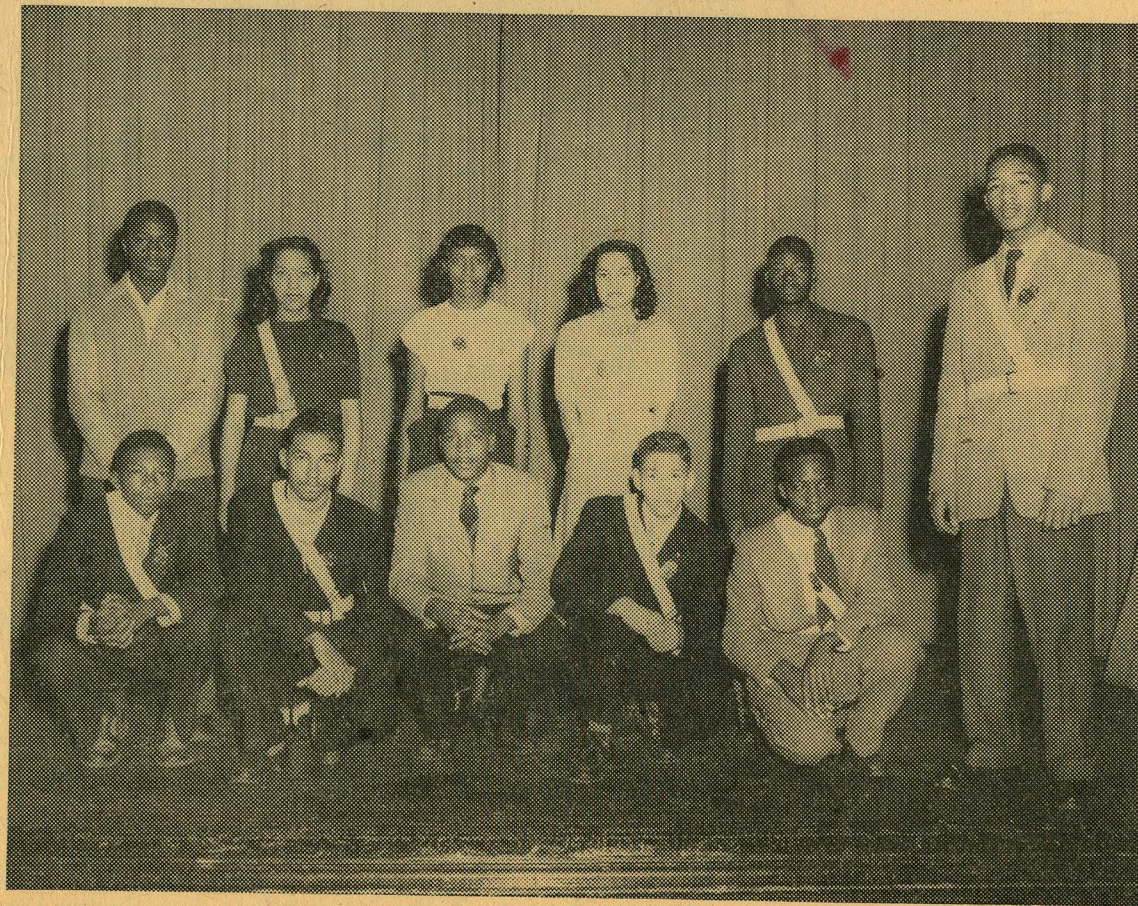
February 26, the Tournament Committee will meet at Dunbar. Mr. T. A. Entzminger is chairman of this group. The committee will decide upon the officials and pair the teams off according to their standing.

Freshmen Plan St. Patrick's Day Party

On March 18 in the gymnasium, the Freshman Class will present its annual St. Patrick's Day Party.

This social which has been sponsored by the Freshmen for three years is a highlight in spring activities.

Proceeds from the affair are used to promote worthwhile activities at Dunbar. Last year the class made a large donation to the DUNBAR CHRONICLE and in 1947 contributed toward the purchase of a new duplicating machine.



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Negro History Week February 7th to 12th

Negro History Week has been observed during the week of Lincoln's birthday since 1926 and seems to be growing rapidly in popularity.

Negro History Week was created by The Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, as a special effort to reach all Negro children at least once a year. Where there are teachers of Negro youth who have the desire to build a greater faith in the race's potentialities and capabilities, and who are conversant with the past accomplishments of the race, Negro History Week may

As You Sow

Here we are again in a new semester. Are you ready for it? Everybody has been making New Year's resolutions, why not make some "new" semester resolutions?"

We've just emerged from a period of examinations. To some of us it was a difficult but fruitful period; to others it was difficult, but not so fruitful.

Many of us had the proverbial pony to carry us safely through our examinations and even safely to our goal—promotion, but let us consider these "equine" characters and see of what value they really are to us.

Those of us who possessed such "animals" and used them

Notes from the Negro History Class

By Charles Bradley, Amy Taylor, and Gloria Hubbard

Negroes are said to be descendants of Ham, son of Noah, who went to dwell in Africa, according to the Biblical narrative.

To the often asked question, "How did the Negro get his color?", science says he developed pigmentary cells in his skin through years of exposure to the hot climate of Africa. Most people think the Negro came to America for the first time as a slave in 1619. Historians have proved this statement to be an error. Slavery as an institution did not exist among the colonies until 1641 and in Virginia until 1661. The first Negroes sold in the Virginia Colony were indentured servants, who became free at the expiration of their indenture; as a matter of fact, there were free Negroes in Virginia before there were legal slaves.

The dismal condition to which the Negro was reduced by the various "Black Codes" set up in the 17th century was illuminated a bit with the coming of the American Revolution. This period was a "heyday" for the Negro. During this period he was given an opportunity to seek the "inalienable rights of man." This opportunity came in the form of manumissions as rewards for services to his country. Chrispus Attucks, first to shed blood for his country, Salem Poore, Austin Dabney, Lemuel Haynes, and John Chavis became heroes in the fight for human liberty.

The founders of the A.M.E.Z. and A.M.E. Churches (James

St. Valentine's Day

By Ann Abbott

Every year on February 14 nations the world over observe in some manner St. Valentine's Day. St. Valentine, a saint of the Roman calendar, is said to have been martyred in A.D. 306. The custom of choosing valentines on his day has been accidentally associated with his name.

On the eve of St. Valentine's Day, young people of both sexes used to meet, and each of the men drew from a number of names of girls. Each gentleman thus got a lady for his valentine, and he became the valentine of the lady, to whom he was bound to be faithful for a year.

The day is now celebrated by sending through the post sentimental or ludicrous missives, specially prepared for the purpose. It is considered a day for lovers.

Why Not Speak English?

By Willis York

Whenever a group of teenagers gather you can be sure that there will be plenty of slang expressions used. We have become guilty of using slang too much. When using slang one should be conscious of it, since a free use of slang stunts one's vocabulary. A person who has a large vocabulary is likely to use slang sparingly. If one has in reserve the equivalent, an occasional conscious use of slang may add life to conversation, but the habitual use of slang as a substantial part

Honor Roll

Sixty-three students are on the Dunbar High School Honor Roll for the third six-week period of the first semester. They are:

Room 1: Emma Banks, Jimmie Taylor, Rosamond Anderson.

Room 2: Calvin Davis, Marvin Massie.

Room 3: William Bass, Ella Davis.

Room 4: Goldie Jones, Bessie Shelton, Jean Payne, Yetta Green, Icinia Warren, Lilliemae Gordon, Frank Austin, Ronald Higginbotham, Roy Nowlin, Marion Brown.

Room 5: Helen Mundy, Inez Little.

Room 6: Ernestine Ward, Emma Ross, Loretta Payne.

Room 7: Essie Everette, Roosevelt Goode, Sterling Jones, Carolyn Hughes.

Room 8: Charles Bradley, Harry Smith, Fred Taylor, Gloria Hubbard.

Room 9: Melvin Jackson, Mary Davis, Olivia Hill, Gwendolyn Pannell, Ruby Parker, Minnie Coles.

Room 10: Roger Anderson, Edgar Doswell, Lawrence Johnson, Nannie Brown, Grace White, Mildred Urquhart.

Room 11: Barbara Hughes, Jean Noble, Sara Shearer, Amy Taylor, Edith Ware.

Room 12: Elizabeth Camm.

Room 13: Goldie Everette, Lavonne Reeves, Grace Turner, Louise Williams, Nannie Young, Lucille Bell, Geraldine Morris.

Room 14: Edith Scott, Frieda McIvor, Ethel Walker, Lowell Wright, Lawrence Price.

Room 15: Ann Abbott, Clara Clark, Pearl Sandifer, William Womack.

race, Negro History Week may be any or every week in the school year.

We should be aware of the fact that there is a distinct difference between the study of the *Negro* and *Negro History*. This difference is manifested in the purpose. Too often propagandists have employed the study of the Negro as a means of promoting those conditions adverse to better race relationship.

To give the Negro an appreciation of his past is to give him confidence in his own position in this his adopted country. An appreciation of scientific facts of the Negro's ancestral culture and contributions to the New World will contribute in a great measure to the lessening of interracial tension.

If Negro History Week is to accomplish its purpose there must be more than mere display of pictures, poems, slogans, etc., taken from the Negro's past.

Negro History Week celebration with proper guidance, can do a lot to promote race pride, confidence, and a better understanding of Negro problems.

Dear Editor

Dear Editor:

I always enjoy the DUNBAR CHRONICLE a great deal but I must confess I'm a little disappointed in the sports articles as they do not give me enough of the kind of information I want about basketball, football, etc.

I would like to hear more about the players, their techniques, their strong and weak points.

I think most students would be interested in an evaluation of this sort.

Dock Reid.

such "animals" and used them "have done" a wrong; those who possessed such "animals" and had the desire to use them but couldn't, have also done "a wrong."

What I'm getting at is this—carrying ponies is cheating; cheating is dishonesty. Dishonesty results in bad character. We are really here at Dunbar to equip ourselves for a better future life.

We can't do that by developing bad character, so in this new semester let's be honest in all of our understandings; let's study so that we won't have to cheat on examinations and let's strive to be more honest every day. In the long run, it pays.

—Ella Davis.

Dear Editor

Dear Editor:

I have been keeping up with the DUNBAR CHRONICLE and have read and enjoyed many of its interesting articles. In the December issue, however, I read the most interesting one of all. This article was not only of interest to me, but was enjoyed by many of my friends.

I refer to the article entitled *Bell-Mania* which gave a word picture of what happens in the halls when the bell rings.

The faculty has been calling our attention to disorder at this time but I think more students realized this predicament from this article.

I would like to suggest that more articles like this be printed in the CHRONICLE.

Frank A. Bondurant.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

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The founders of the AMERICAN and A.M.E. Churches (James Varick and Richard Allen), Benjamin Baneker, a writer, mathematician, and inventor, and Phyllis Wheatley, a writer of verse, proved that the Negro's greatest need was the opportunity to develop and exercise his talent.

All of these ideas about "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" for the Negro was soon forgotten after the invention of machinery and steam power.

The Federal Government made two omissions in the interest of the

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use of slang as a substantial part of one's conversation is lack of intelligence, lack of education, or mental laziness.

Keep in mind that a little slang goes a long way. Use it only when it is expressive in a particular instance and when you think it will be enjoyed and appreciated. Constant repetition destroys its effectiveness; that is, don't keep saying the same slang expressions. An occasional really clever remark will add a touch of interest to a conversation but that too is easily overdone.

Straighten Up—

By Louise Williams

Time: January 28, 1949.

Place: Dunbar High School.

Characters: Pupils at Dunbar.

Pupils were gathered in the home rooms at Dunbar High School, waiting the verdict "pass" or "fail." At last the judges passed the sentences. Words can not describe the expressions on the faces of the defendants. Some

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Father Tyler (Willis York) displays his fishing success to his family and friends in a scene from "She's a Good Fellow," comedy presented recently by the Senior Class.

Left to right: Corinne Tyler (Lilliemae Gordon), Mrs. Tyler (Laverne Reeves), Wright Gilmore (Ernest Brown), Father Tyler, Ivy Gardner (Jean Payne), Rose Gardner (Bessie Shelton) and Violet Gardner (Rosa Ford, kneeling).

Portrait of an Ideal

Perhaps the most outstanding characteristic that a person possesses is the one least noticed; nevertheless each person has at least one beauty spot. If all of these characteristics were compounded, what a "pin up" would emerge. Dunbar's Pin Up Girl would be perfect if she possessed:

Hair like Lilliemae Gordon.
Eyes like Jean Payne.
Shape like Isabel Holmes.
Legs like Mildred Walker.
Brains like Louise Williams.
Height like Geraldine White.
Complexion like Goldie Ev-
erette.
Spirit like Helen Mundy.
Clothes like Barbara Thurman.
Personality like Mollie Ware.
Leadership ability like Icinia
Warren.
Cuteness like Virginia Kin-
ney.
Popularity like Bertha and
Bessie Coleman.
Athletic ability like Geraldine
Bennette.
Dancing ability like Marion
Brown and
Co-operative ability like Olivia
Hill.

The perfect boy would have:
Eyes like Benjamin Copeland.
Nose like Leon Scott.
Hair like Charles Gardner.
Poise like Matthew Bolding.
Height like Calvin Davis.
Complexion like Ronald Hig-
ginbotham.
Smile like Frank Bondurant.
Voice like William Bass.
Dancing technique like James
Bates.
Music ability like William
Miller.
Brilliance like Fred Taylor.
Athletic ability like Carrington

Around Town with Carolyn Hughes

Miss Katherine Khin Khin, vice-president of the Y. W. C. A. in Rangoon, Burma, spoke at the Phyllis Wheatly Branch Y. W. C. A. Wednesday, January, 12.

Mr. C. W. Seay, principal of Dunbar, attended Principals' Conference at Virginia State Col-
lege, Friday, January 14, 1949.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority presented "A Winter Interlude," featuring Gwendolyn E. Biddle, a dance student of Howard Uni-
versity, and "The Jivarets," the North Carolina State College
trio, at Dunbar Auditorium Mon-
day, January 10, 1949.

The A. K. A. Senior Hope Chest Queen was crowned at this time. She was Miss Esther Mon-
roe of the Rustburg Training
School.

Dr. Paul M. Munro, superin-
tendent of Public schools, ad-
dressed the Hill City Teachers'
Club at their regular meeting
Monday, January 10.

The Phyllis Wheatly building
fund campaign is on. They have
purchased the Tal-Fred Apart-
ment for their new home. The
Negro division's goal is \$10,000.
The white division's goal is \$35,-
000. Help us purchase our "Y."

The Negro Division of the
March of Dimes Committee,
headed by Mr. Carl Hutcherson,
presented Graham W. Jackson
(Piano - Hammond - Organ Ac-
cordian Player) in concert at
Lynchburg City Armory Mon-
day, January 24, 1949. All re-
ceipts went to Infantile Paralysis

Inspirational Verses

By Annis Lynch

As we start our work in this
new semester, let us consider the
following poems of the great
writer, Paul Lawrence Dunbar,
to inspire us to work harder to
reach our goal:

NOT THEY WHO SOAR
Not they who soar, but they who
plod
Their rugged way, unhelpt to
God
Are heroes; they who higher
fare,
And, flying, fan the upper air,
Miss all the toil that hugs the
sod.
'Tis they whose backs have felt
the rod,
Whose feet have pressed the
path unshod,
May smile upon defeated care,
Not they who soar.
High up there are no thorns to
probe,
Nor boulders lurking 'neath the
clod
To turn the keenness of the
share,
For flight is ever free and rare;
But heroes they the soil who've
trod,
Not they who soar!

FOR THE MAN WHO FAILS

The world is a snob, and the man
who wins
Is the chap for its money's
worth;
And the lust for success causes
half of the sins
That are cursing this brave old
earth.
For it's fine to go up, and the
world's applause
Is sweet to the mortal ear,
But the man who fails is noble

Are You in the Know?

By Lucille Bell and
Barbara Hughes

- Should teen-age girls wear
socks to dress affairs at
school?
- Should boys wear sport
clothes to dress affairs?
- Should the first and last
dances be given to the escort?
- Should a girl ask a boy to
take her out?
- Should a boy leave a girl
where they are at the end of
a dance?
- Should a boy rise for an in-
troduction?
- After refusing one boy a
dance should a girl accept
one with another boy?
- Should boys and girls hold
hands while walking through
the streets?
- Should parents be in the
presence of a young couple's
date?
- How should a boy and girl
enter the movies?

Perfect score50
Excellent45-50
Good35-40
Fair25-30

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What Type Are You?

A thoughtful girl selects
clothes that are suitable in de-
sign and color. She knows it is
an extravagant expense to experi-
ment with unbecoming colors and
design. She chooses basic and
accessory colors which are har-
monious to the tones reflected
from her skin, hair and eyes. She
has the strength and courage to
be an individualist and wears
what is most becoming to her in-
stead of wearing the latest fash-
ions or what others wear. She
realizes that high fashion can

Inquiring Reporter

Question: Do you think that
presidents of clubs and organi-
zations should necessarily be
upper classmen?

Answers: Carolyn Hughes,
Sub Freshman, says "No, be-
cause a lower classman can
have leadership ability as well
as upper classmen."

Mary Miller, Freshman,
says, "It doesn't matter
whether you're an upper class-
man or a lower classman. The
thing that matters is whether
the person can meet the re-
quirements and responsibilities
of the job."

Barbara Hughes, Freshman,
doesn't think it is necessary for
the president of school organi-
zations to be an upper classman.
It all depends upon the ability
of the individual.

James Anthony, Senior,
says, "Yes, because upper
classmen have more experi-
ence."

Walter Freshman, Junior,
says, "No. It is the ability
which is in question here;
therefore, I think any person
who possesses it can lead."

Juanita Harris, Sophomore,
says, "I don't think upper
classmen only should be presi-
dents for clubs and organiza-
tions because they have more
chances in activities than the
lower classes. I think if they
can do the job, the sophomores,
freshmen and sub-freshmen
should have a chance."

Jean Payne, Senior, thinks that
new-comers to Dunbar shouldn't
be presidents of organizations.
But, as for older members of
Dunbar who are more familiar
with the rules, they should be
allowed to be the president of an
organization if they are capable.

Brilliance like Fred Taylor.
Athletic ability like Carrington Thomas.
Jive like James Anthony.
Leadership ability like Walter Hughes.
Clothes like Robert Shaw.
Popularity like Robert Stratton.
Manners like Louis Hill and
Physique like Edward McDemon.

The Kackling Korner

By Marvin Massie

Bill: My cousin threw her watch out the window last night.

Will: For what?

Bill: To see time fly.

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Ted: Why do you say an eye physician is like a teacher?

Fred: His work is based on pupils.

* * *

Little boy (watching his father take one pill after the other) asked: "Father, why are you taking so many pills?"

Father: "I am taking the pink ones for kidney trouble; blue ones for indigestion; the green ones for upset stomach and the white ones for headache."

Son: "How do the pills know which way to go after you swallow them?"

* * *

Mr. Lotch: Did you ever play "hockey" while attending high school?

Mr. Kotch: Why sure, I played it every other day to go fishing.

* * *

Ken: What is the difference between a bell and a lawyer?

Ben: A bell peals from the steeple and a lawyer steals from the people.

* * *

Pete: What is the meaning of "P. S." at the end of a letter?

Jake: It means "Pardon the Scribbling."

day, January 24, 1949. All receipts went to Infantile Paralysis Fund. The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was joint sponsor of this affair.

Dr. Rose Butler Brown of North Carolina State College was the guest speaker at the Y. W. C. A. Annual Conference at Eighth Street Church Sunday, February 6th, at 4 P. M.

The "Y" Teens have organized themselves to canvass the city in order to contact each citizen for donations to the "Y" building campaign.

The Health Committee of the Y. W. C. A. held its Annual Heart Clinic on Wednesday evening, January 26th. E. R. Burton, R. N., is chairman of this committee and she along with the members are to be congratulated for the very fine program. Dr. R. C. Wesley administered the examinations.

It's Swell

By Ann Abbott

At the beginning of the term, the question: "What Do You Think of Dunbar?" was a very hard one for me to answer and in conversing with my sub-freshmen classmates, I found that they were just as bewildered as I was in our new surroundings: new teachers, changing classes, study hall, assemblies, library assignments, football and basketball games, physical education classes, home economics and new classmates.

Now I've been here for almost one term. I have become a part of this new world of activities and become accustomed to the new ways of teaching.

What do I think of Dunbar? Why, it's swell!

Is sweet to the mortal ear,
But the man who fails in a noble cause
Is a hero that's no less dear.

'Tis true enough that the laurel crown
Twines but for the victor's brow;
For many a hero has lain him down
With naught but the cypress bough,
There are gallant men in the losing fight,
And as gallant deeds are done
As ever graced the captured height
As the battle grandly won.

We sit at life's board with our nerves high strung,
And we play for the stake of Fame,
And our odes are rung and our banners hung
For the man who wins the game.
But I have a song of another kind
Than breathes in these fame-wrought gales,
An ode to the noble heart and mind
Of the gallant man who fails:

The man who is strong to fight his fight,
And whose will no front can daunt,
If the truth be truth and the right be right,
Is, the man that the ages want.
Tho he fail and die in grim defeat,
Yet he has not fled the strife,
And the house of earth will seem more sweet
For the perfume of his life.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

March 18, 1949

7:00-10:00

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realizes that high fashion can climb skyward so rapidly, like a Jack and his beanstalk. If she is tall she doesn't expect to wear the same designs that her shorter classmates wear because designs for tall and short are not interchangeable. Her height and slenderness permit wearing of contrasting blouse and skirt, a fashion the shorter person should avoid. She wishes her shorter classmates would not wear large plaids and short, boxy jackets.

For the diminutive size, the princess lines are best, along with Peter Pan or high necked collars, designs which the tall and slim must avoid. It would be disastrous and poor taste to deliberately select a dress of the wrong color and design merely to be a copy cat or because it is cute.

If you're smart and make your own clothes, it will be to your advantage to remember to press as you sew, follow directions carefully, select materials wisely, and above all, choose becoming designs.

Oratorical Contest

By William Womack

All of us can't win the State Oratorical Contest, but we can enter. For the past few weeks we have seen pupils walking through the halls with papers in their hands and talking to themselves. Anyone seeing this had a tendency to think these were cases fit for another institution, but in reality they were students getting ready for the annual city-wide oratorical contest sponsored by the city Elks which will be held some time in the early part of February.

Dunbar has about 12 students taking part in this contest. Are you one of them? If you are, then get in with the rest and let's see if a Dunbar student can't win the scholarship that is offered by the State body of Elks.

organization if they are capable, whether they're upper classmen or not.

Adventures With Tommy

By Louise Williams

Tommy was just waking from his sleep as the sun rose in the East. He hurried up because he knew he had a busy day ahead of him. He got busy about bathing himself, paying particular attention to his hands and face. After making himself sufficiently clean, he left his sleeping place and wandered off down the street seeking food. You see, Tommy was alone, some people might call Tommy a tramp.

As he hurried down the damp street, he was thinking dreamingly of the night before. They had gone for a walk in the park and listened to the sounds of the night. They always added something to make these sounds louder and sweeter to them. Yes, he had done all this with his girl friend, a magnificent girl if I ever saw one. Her father was rather strict though. He allowed her to see Tommy only once in a whole week. That didn't worry Tommy too much because when he didn't see her, he would always be around to serenade her about midnight. (This the neighbors resented no little.)

As Tommy hurried down the street he thought of all this, and more, and he truly considered himself a "lucky guy." He was so wrapped in his dreams that he passed directly under a ladder. How devastating this would have been for you! Yes, but for Tommy; no. Little things like that could never upset Tommy's life. Of course not, because he has nine of them. If you know what I'm driving at—Tommy is an alley cat.

Girls' Basketball Squad Displays Skill

Although the Girls' Basketball Team has not been victorious in every game played this season, it has made a very good showing.

The team, which is headed by Captain Geraldine Bennett and Co-Captain Anez Stratton, has played three games to date.

The scores for these games were as follows:

Salem vs. Dunbar, 29-24.

Danville vs. Dunbar, 25-18.

Dunbar vs. Addison, 36-29.

The team is composed of the following players:

Helen Mundy, Barbara Shelton, Barbara Thurman, Phyllis Thomas, Leomia Johnson, Mattie Coleman, Gladys Sandifer, Geraldine White, Ethel Walker, Helen Irvine, Catherine Rober, Lyndell Higginbotham, Amy Taylor, Mollie Ware, Dorothy Alexander, Dorothy Carter, Marion Beverly, and Ida Abbott.

Gloria Hubbard, Lovella Brown, and Lucinda Anderson perform the official duties of the team. Miss R. B. Armistead is coach.

Answers: Are You In the Know?

1. No, a dress affair means stockings and dress clothes for girls.

2. No, boys should wear full suits, dress shirts and ties.

3. Yes.

4. Yes, if it costs nothing, if finance is involved she should suggest going and leave the rest to him.

5. No, this is bad taste. He should take her back to her

6. Yes.

7. No, this definitely is bad



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

CLASS NEWS

Out Front with the Seniors

It's great to be a senior, to think of the many happy years spent here at Dunbar. The sad moment will come when we leave dear old Dunbar. We know that what has been taught us will help in making us great men and women of tomorrow. We have learned in sports, fair play; in drama, how to work with others; in clubs, how to share responsibilities. We shall take these values with us.

Sub Freshman News

By Irene Reeves

We, the 8-B's, are now ready to enter into our first year of high school, which is the 1-A.

We have accomplished many things in the past year, and as a whole will endeavor to do our utmost in not taking our high school life all as pleasure, but will take the advantage given us to learn and understand what one will probably have to face in the years to come. We must work hard to become

February Birthdays

By Helen Mundy

February is the month of birthdays of many great men. Some of these are George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Thomas A. Edison.

Some of our faculty members were born in February also. They are: Mr. Clayborne—19th, Mrs. Harris—25th and Mr. Mitchell—28th.

Some students born in this month are:

7th—Calvin Early.

8th—Howard Booker.

11th—Dorothy Carter.

12th—Marvin Thorpe.

Notes from Negro History

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Negro by prohibiting African slave trade after 1808 and organizing the Northwest Territory as free soil.

After 1808 coast-wide slave trade and wholesale smuggling came into being. Plantation systems were developed in the lower seaboard states; the upper seaboard states became "breeding states." These conditions brought a series of insurrections among Negro slaves around the beginning of the 19th century. The three outstanding insurrections were led by Gabriel Prosser in 1800; Denmark Vesey in 1822; and Nat Turner of South Hampton County, Virginia, in 1831. While these insurrections met with no material success they proved that the Negro was at least conscious of his status. However, they did serve as a sort of boomerang in that the lot of the Negro was made worse by changes in the "Black Codes" of the Southern States resulting in the removal of many privileges and further regimentation.

During this dark period of slavery when all hope was gone for the Negro the Southern Church added the straw that broke the camel's back by becoming a bulwark of slavery. Such texts as "Japhet shall dwell in the land of Shem and Canaan shall be his servant," and "Servants be obedient to your masters for this is the will of God" could be heard in many Southern pulpits. The purpose of such doctrine was to pacify the Negro by having him believe that his status was preordained by God.

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6. Yes.

7. No, this definitely is bad taste.

8. No, but he may hold her arm while crossing streets.

9. No, if a girl is old enough to date she should know how to conduct herself on a date.

10. A girl precedes a boy if there is an usher, but if there is no usher to show them a seat the boy precedes the girl and finds a seat.

Sports Highlights

At present all the members of the basketball squad are fighting hard to make for themselves and Dunbar a very reputable standing.

Two captains have been elected with OK's given by the coaching staff. They are Carrington Thomas and Nathan Watson. The coaching staff and the team share the belief that these two men will do their best at all times to give our team a good rating.

Following are the results of the games played thus far:

Dunbar 33....Roanoke 36 (there)
Dunbar 34.....Southside 12
Dunbar 45....Maggie Walker 37
Dunbar 25.....Salem 44
Dunbar 48.....Roanoke 34 (here)

Straighten Up—

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were sad; some were glad; some were glorified; and some just missed the "gallows" by the skin of their teeth. There were more tears dripping around Dunbar than smiles. Of course if everyone had been serious the first of the term, they would have been happy on the "day of judgment" and I'm sure they would have been smiling. It all goes to show that if you would be Miss or Mr. Sunshine in June, then you had better *Begin the Beguine* and *Straighten Up and Fly Right*.

sports fair play; in drama, how to work with others; in clubs, how to share responsibilities. We shall take these values with us.

We appreciate your support in making our Senior Play a success.

—Helen Mundy,
Kinkle Anderson.

The Freshman Notes

The Freshmen first of all are happy to be back to school after a wonderful holiday. We hope your holiday was filled with as much fun as ours.

The Freshmen are really showing off this year. In our class we have a group of boys who have formed an orchestra and call themselves the "Freshmen Bops." They are as follows: Richard Jones, bass fiddle; Jimmie Trimmar, tenor sax; Charles Fisher, trumpet; William Miller, piano; Herbert Collins, drums; David Penn, alto sax; and Roland Brown, vocalist. We were very disappointed on our last meeting because we could not hear them as we had an assembly. So you be on the lookout for them, because you will be seeing a lot of them in the near future.

Appreciation

By Ronald Higginbotham
"Terrible!"

"That couldn't be me!"

"I need a haircut!"

"I wish my hair had been fixed differently."

"Which one of these do you like best?"

"I don't like any of mine."

Yes, this is what the seniors said when they received the proofs of the pictures they had taken. Most of the seniors didn't like their proofs because they looked so much like themselves.

month are:
7th—Calvin Early.
8th—Howard Booker.
11th—Dorothy Carter.
12th—Marvin Thorpe.
13th—Edna Reid, Theresa Anderson.
15th—Walter Pannell, Irma Johnson.
16th—Griselda Taliaferro.
17th—Velma McCory, Rose-lyn Brown.
22nd—Grace Turner, Melvin Ward.
27th—Gladys Smith.

N. A. A. C. P. Donates To Library

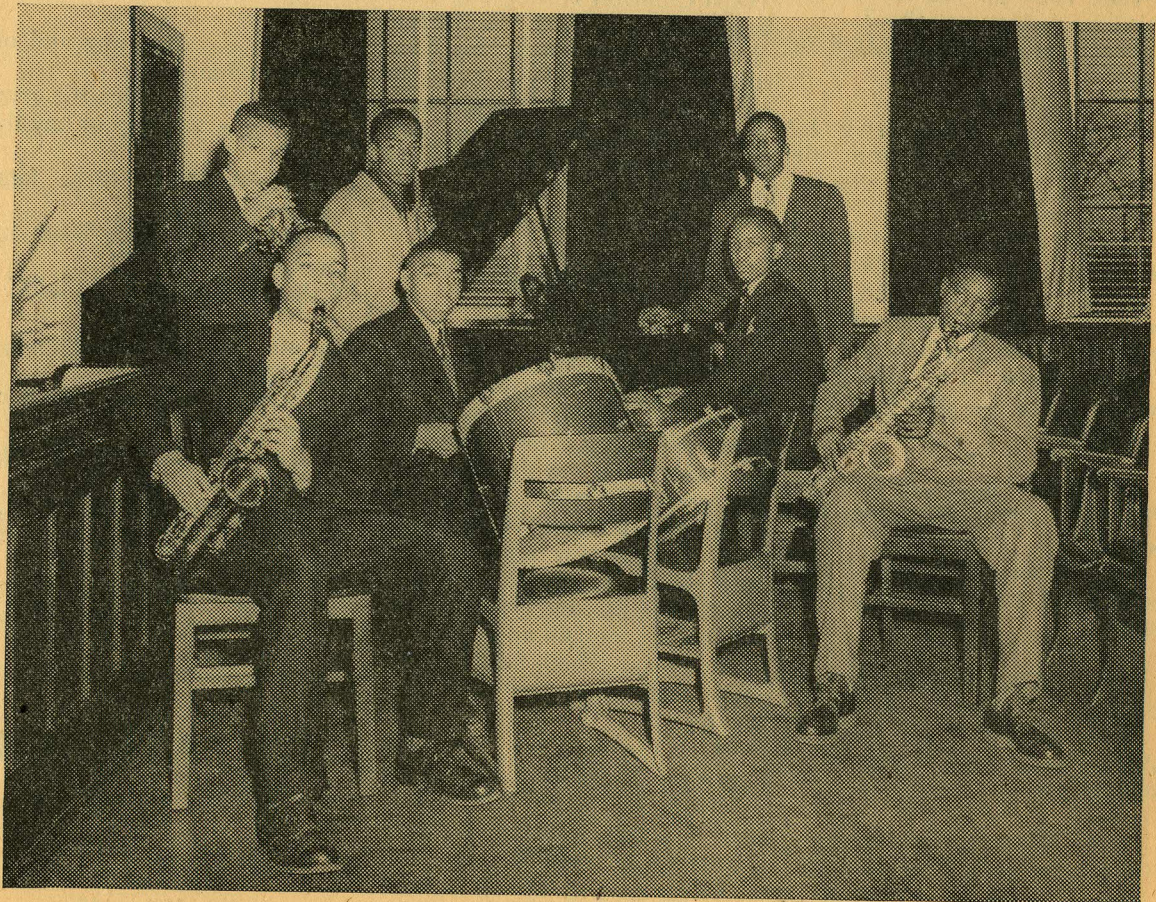
By Lucille Bell

The Jr. N. A. A. C. P. donated to the Dunbar Library a

book entitled, "The Man Called White," by Walter White. It is very interesting and worthwhile for us at Dunbar to read in our spare time and especially during Negro History Week.

To make slavery a lasting institution all factors that would serve to destroy it were set aside by the pro-slave leaders. Thus the American colonization of 1816 was welcomed by those who wished to get rid of the free Negroes who had become drones of society both in the North and South.

When the free Negroes were being sent out of the country, when the underground railroad was being crushed, when fugitive slaves were being brought back from free soil by the fugitive law of 1850, there came into Egypt a Moses in the person of William Lloyd Garrison who gave birth to the abolition movement. The agitation created by this movement paralyzed the colonization.



THE FRESHMEN "BOPS"