

SCHOOL PLAY TO BE COMEDY

Trials For "Apron String Revolt" To Be Held Next Month

"Apron String Revolt" a comedy in three acts and five scenes has been selected as the play to be produced by the Seniors, Juniors, and Specials next March.

The play is the tale of a pretty but hysterical widow and her adolescent son, who both find romance after a series of events common to almost all families in America. The lines are sparkling; there is a touch of mystery; the humor makes it topnotch farce for high school presentation.

Trials will be held early in December and the play cast before Christmas. Copies of the play will be put in the hands of the chairman of the Junior and Senior Committee and may be checked by them for reading.

There are thirteen in the cast, six for girls and seven for boys. For the benefit of those interested, the cast is printed with a suggestion of types:

Mrs. Elizabeth Holt, an attractive widow.

Annabelle Madden, her rather wise-cracking friend.

Mrs. Alden, a curious neighbor.

Mrs. Lanigan, a cleaning woman with dry humor.

David, Elizabeth's 17-year-old son.

Mary Lou, who is fourteen and acts sixteen.

Henry Fenstermacher, a football coach.

Miss Martin, reporter for "The Blade."

Mr. Wade, reporter for "The Gazette."

Jack Alden, David's teammate.

Messenger Boy.

Grocery Boy.

Officer Clancey—secretly an admirer of Mrs. Flanagan.

"Apron String Revolt" written by Dorothy Rood Stewart, was first produced by the Avon Players, Ben Avon, Penna., in 1937. Since then it has been a favorite with Little Theatres.

Bordentown At "Y" Conference

At the Semi-Centennial Conference at the YMCA held in Washington, D. C., to commemorate the fifty-year history of the Y in its work among Negroes, Bordentown was represented by Mr. Valentine, member of the National Board and chairman of the executive committee in charge of the celebration.

It was announced at the conference that \$72,000 out of a \$126,000 goal had been raised. This fund is to be used for expansion of southern work.

Also attending the conference were Mrs. Valentine and Miss Grant, both members of the Women's Auxiliary Committee appointed to assist in publicity and the raising of money.

Juniors Debate War

Members of the History Class of Junior A, presented an Armistice Day round table discussion of the five current bills to curb war. Each bill was explained and each defended and opposed. The presentation was most timely.

Aramenta Donaldson was mistress of ceremonies.

Cadets Observe Armistice Day

The Battalion of Ironsides, consisting of Companies A, B, and C, formed at 6:30 a. m., November 11, to pay tribute to the soldier dead of the World War. Senior Captain Tucker spoke of the purpose of the Armistice observance after which taps were sounded. The officers held their salute for a minute in honor.

The idea for this form of observance originated with Captains Ross and Tucker.

Bordentown Host To Alumni; Virginia Williams Re-Elected

Bordentown was again host to the Alumni on October 29, as well as to the many guests members of the Alumni brought with them.

At the business meeting held to elect officers and ratify a constitution Virginia Williams was re-elected as president. The vice-president was Herbert Johnson, '24; the secretary, Alma Bridgeford Lambert '26; the corresponding secretary, Notre Leonard King '29; as perpetual treasurer, Rev. J. Franklyn Jones; and chaplain, Clifford Trent '32.

Registration for the Alumni began at noon and continued throughout the day. When the final check was made, 76 members had registered. Classes ranged from 1901 to 1938. There was a slight decline in registration of the classes as there were no representatives between 1902 and 1914.

At three o'clock, the Alumni and their friends saw the blue and gold football warriors play the champions of Bucks' County, Pennsylvania.

Supper in the gym with members of the faculty and their families spanned the time between the game and the chapel assembly.

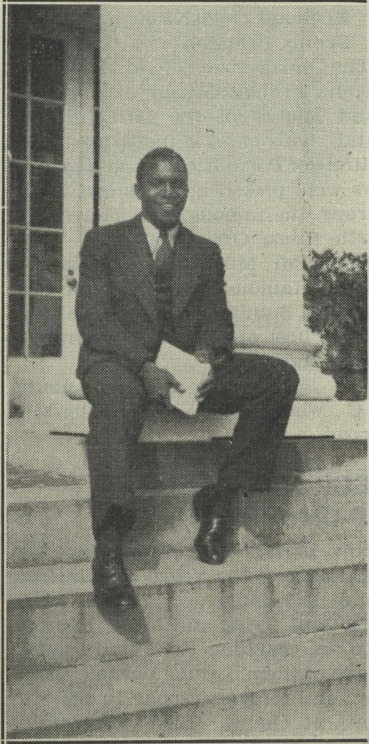
Douglass Bush '32, graduate of Lincoln in '37, addressed the students. His point was that every student develop social qualities rather than scholarship, because he felt that getting along with people, having confidence in one's self, and general adaptability are absolutely essential for success. William Walker, president of the Seniors, welcomed the visitors on behalf of the students; and Clifford Trent '32, president of the Senior class when he was in school, made the response for the Alumni.

According To Honor Roll Boys Smarter Than Girls

Of course we may be all wrong, but somehow this first six-weeks honor roll seems to give it the boys. In the first place, the only students who made averages of 90% and above are boys. (Girls, are you going to let this state of affairs continue?) and the percentage representation of boys is larger.

Three classes are represented by girls entirely; but look at the numbers: Four specials, two members of the Seventh Grade, and one in the Eighth Grade. In the Senior class, of the sixteen on the Honor Roll, only six are girls; in the Junior class, four out of nine; in the Sophomore class, two out of six; only in the Freshman class is this state of affairs changed. There of the nine on the honor roll only two are boys.

Joins Faculty



Ben Johnson, Track Star, Replaces Mr. Fuller

Mr. Solomon Fuller, who for the past year guided the destinies of the Freshmen as co-sponsor with Miss Gillespie, took charge of the scouts, and taught classes in Science, History and Occupations, resigned November first to head up the work of the Boy Scouts in Harlem. Reorganization of the Scout groups is scheduled, and Mr. Fuller's work will be that of an executive.

Replacing Mr. Fuller comes Ben Johnson, Columbia track captain and star. Mr. Johnson has been interviewed in another section of the paper; but it can be said here that he will assume the same classes and sponsorships that were Mr. Fuller's.

Florence Owens, soloist in the Glee Club and soprano heroine in the production of "The Pirates of Penzance", while she was a student, sang three songs.

Members of the Senior class were guests of the Alumni at the reception in the gym directly following the program in chapel.

Storer Game Thanksgiving Feature

The Thanksgiving contest with Storer College, West Virginia, will bring the league season to a close. The game, in all events, should be close; but from all indications the Wildcats are favored to win out.

Other features of Thanksgiving recess will be the service at ten o'clock in the morning, in charge of the Progress Club.

Friday there will be a movie; and Saturday the Vigilants give their social.

Parents Visit School; 300 Attend Meeting

Parents are always interested in their children, no matter how far away from home they may be. Thursday, November 3, brought approximately three hundred parents to Ironsides.

The day was clear and brisk. Students were up bright and early, making preparations for the guests. The morning routine was the same except for an early school dismissal in order that students might eat early.

Parents began to arrive by ten o'clock; and when dinner was announced for the faculty and parents, some three hundred and twenty-six persons were fed. Parents were unanimous in praising not only the dinner (which was delicious), but the easy, quick service of the boys and girls who waited on tables.

Following dinner, all went to the chapel where the students gave a short program. The students were then dismissed and the real conference began.

For about an hour Mr. Valentine explained general policies of the school and answered general questions.

The chapel meeting was adjourned and parents were able to interview the particular teachers of their children.

By five o'clock the crowd had begun to thin; and by supper time it was difficult to believe that three hundred visitors had been on the campus.

Mrs. Demarest Addresses Girls

Mrs. Margaret Booth Demarest internationally famous lecturer, addressed the girls at a special assembly recently. Her topic was "How to Choose a Husband". A daughter of Evangeline Booth, a mother of five children, Mrs. Demarest was especially fitted to discuss her subject.

The girls generally agreed that her talk was inspiring and timely.

Attends Negro History Conference

Miss Echols, teacher of Negro History at Bordentown, attended the sessions of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History held in New York, November 11-13. Sessions were held at the Museum of Natural History, Harlem Art Center, Abyssinia Church.

Sophomores: None.
Freshmen: None.
Eighth Grade: None.
Seventh Grade: None.

BOYS LEAD ON HONOR ROLL

Seniors Have Largest Per Cent; Sophs, Highest Average

As the first honor roll of the season makes its appearance, the Seniors loom as the largest contenders for wisdom on the campus, if percentage of representation counts for anything. For the first time the percentage of representation will be counted and the classes arranged in ranking order. From the academic department comes the following list, students having ninety per cent averages being in heavy type:

Seniors: 26.6% representation:
Joseph Hall, Victor Quinichette, William Walker, Walter Jacobs, Edward Dowden, Anna Jackson, Mary Hall, Lillian Butler, Robert Hanson, Laurence Towler, Russell Henry, Knowlton Atterbeary, William Kearney, Naomi Lee, Beatrice Tucker, Bertha Dunlap.

Specials: 20% representation:
Louise Twisvan, Edith Tyler, Mable Bailey, Victoria Buffalo.

Freshmen: 11.6% representation:
Bettina Somerville, Eunice Berryman, Cornelius Daniels, Marcus Battle, Gladys Culbreth, Isabelle Judd, Martha Smith, Edna Williams, Lillie Baskerville.

Juniors: 10.1% representation:
Frank Green, Paul Crusor, Jessie Shorts, Alberta Walker, Wesley Hicks, William King, Frank Thompson, Anna Fitzgerald, Eleanor Melvin.

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To Present Variety Show; Girls Appear December 2nd

The program for the Friday after the Thanksgiving recess will be a Variety Show, presented by the girls under the direction of Miss Butcher.

The show will consist of four great scenes: The Great Waltz, The Great Love, The Great Negro, The Great Kid.

Those taking part in the songs will be Alberta Walker, Anna Montgomery, Elva Williams, Martha Roach, Marilyn Anderson, Mary Grogan, and Victoria Buffalo.

In the dances and skits expect to see France Percy, Eleanor Lewis, Catherine Carter, Cornelia Grant, Harriet Coleman, Lillian Hurst, Jessie Shorts, Edith Battle, Mamie Nabors, Dorothy Drinkard, Bernice Polard, Valeria Wright, Beatrice Tucker, Mildred Ward, Carmenta Brown, Caroline Coy, Madge Gilbert, Wallace McGhee, Carmen Byrd, Edith Tyler, and Lillian Baskerville.

Seniors Observe Education Week

In an original skit entitled "Nothing's Extra-Curricular Now", members of the Senior class observed Education Week. The idea was to show how modern education reaches into all phases of living. Sarah Daymon read Langston Hughes' "Mother to Son" preceding the skit. Mary Hall was mistress of ceremonies.

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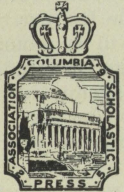
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NOTHING'S EXTRA-CURRICULAR NOW

To educate a man's mind and not his heart is to educate a menace to the country—
Theodore Roosevelt.

There was a time when the three "R's" were considered sufficient material to be studied in school. In a changing world, these soon seemed inadequate, and the number of school subjects increased. This increase, however, was almost entirely in academic subjects.

When Booker T. Washington sounded the new truth that "there is as much dignity in tilling a field as there is in writing a poem", and implied that because both were necessary persons who did either were important, he gave a new idea in education. Tuskegee, with its dual system of training young people to use their hands as well as their heads, set a new pattern for educational programs.

In the school system of New York City, a student may get training in numerous fields of practical work. According to a recent newspaper article: The theme of public education in New York today is "Nothing is extra-curricular now"—By this educators mean that virtually all activities of boys and girls—whether they be the study of algebra in the class room or of trap-drumming in the school's "swing" orchestra—is a part of the scholarly curriculum and credited as such.

Bordentown is well in the vanguard of this movement. While the school has not yet given credits toward graduation for extra-curricular activities, students are encouraged to take part in them; and the record of a student in these activities is included in his permanent record and in any transcriptions of that record sent to other schools.

"PEACE IN OUR TIME, O LORD"

As another Armistice returns, and thoughts naturally turn to the great war which it brought to an end, we realize anew how fortunate we are and how thankful we should be for peace.

Yet there is opportunity for peace in the relations of life as well as in the relations of nations. Peace between races, classes, persons with different religious beliefs is also infinitely desirable.

Tolerance and respect for the rights of others on the campus everyday is a fine preparation for a wider and more understanding tolerance in the world to which we are going.

"IT IS A GOOD THING TO GIVE THANKS"

Being thankful and expressing our gratitude are two very different things. In a vague fashion we are conscious of our blessings; but we are still vaguer in our acknowledgement of them, especially to persons most responsible.

Mother might be so pleased to have an expression of appreciation at the close of a letter instead of the usual "gimme"; she might welcome a report that showed her son or daughter was making use of an opportunity.

Ingratitude has been spoken of by poet and sage as being a most undesirable human trait. To say that we forgot is not an excuse for it.

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord" says the Good Book. "It is a good thing to learn to give thanks" we respectfully paraphrase.

We wish to extend through these columns our best wishes to Mr. Fuller in his new work.

We welcome Mr. Benjamin Johnson to our campus and wish for him a successful year.

The Echo Covers The Past

IRONSIDES REPRESENTED IN THE ARMY

Nov. 1, 1917—Ironsides School is proud of the list of students who have already rallied to the colors.

William Taylor
O. Everett Boone
Reginald Goldsborough
Senius Brandon

The music teacher at Ironsides, Eugene Francis Mikell, has become Band Master of the 15th Infantry Band. This band is made up almost entirely of Porto Ricans and its members were picked up by James Reese Europe, the famous conductor of the Castle House Orchestra.

Under Mr. Mikell the band has become so famous that the band concerts on Sunday afternoons always draw a host of visitors to Camp Dix each Sunday.

The 15th is now in Spartanburg, S. C., whence they hope to be sent abroad.

NEGRO OFFICERS AT CHAPEL

Nov. 15, 1917—On Wednesday, Nov. 14th, some of the Negro officers from Camp Dix came over to the school with Capt. Trigg and Lieut. Johnson, who are coaching the Varsity squad. Three of them, Lieuts. Purnell, Beaufort, and Gregory, spoke to the students at chapel. Lieut. Gregory is the son of the first principal of the school. All made a plea for support and encouragement for the Negro soldiers. They said that all of the soldiers look forward to going to France and then march to Berlin.

PLAY PRESENTED BY GROUP 1

Nov. 15, 1917—On Nov. 11th, which was Armistice Day, Group 1 presented their play entitled "Killing Them All". The cast was in the preceding paper. The play was very appropriate for the occasion. Following the play was a short tableau in which the following students took part.

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| America..... | Constance Knox |
| Peace..... | Iva Adams |
| War..... | William Johnson |
| Death..... | Anna Johnson |
| American Soldier..... | Paul Parks |

The spirit of peace was leading America and the American Soldier from War to Death, and during the tableau Angelyn Hammond and Helena Cole sang a selection from Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem entitled "Angel of Peace".

BORDENTOWN REMEMBERS

November 11, 1923—

"Lest We Forget"
November 11, 1918
Armistice Day

"It must not happen again".
Warren G. Harding

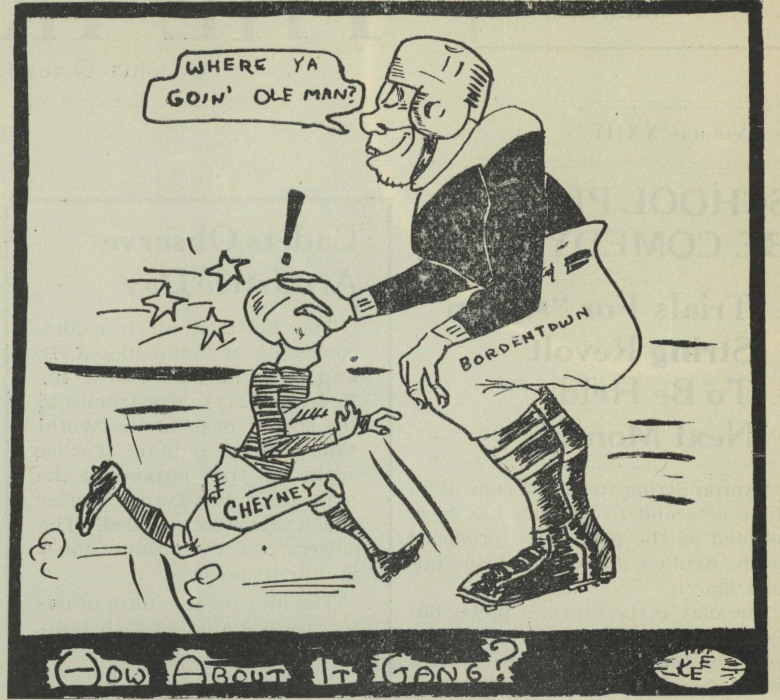
"If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though
poppies bloom
In Flanders Fields."

John McCrae

"Let us hereby resolve that these
dead shall not have died in vain—"
Abraham Lincoln

We wish to thank Charles Register, Bertha White, and Margaret Tucker for their willing cooperation, and for their contributions to this issue of the Echo.

Some friends, who are anxious to show their appreciation for the excellent work done by the football players who sit on the bench, and at the same time to ease the lot of the said players, have decided to recommend chairs and cushions to take the place of the bench.



Exchanges

The Vienna Choir Boys appeared in a recital at West Virginia State College on Sunday, October 16. The Choir was under the direction of Victor Gombos. Among the selections rendered was "Bastien and Bastienne," a little opera composed by Mozart when he was twelve years old.

We congratulate the music lovers of West Virginia State on their very good fortune in being able to obtain such a rare musical treat, one that has beyond a doubt done much to broaden the range of their music appreciation.

We are also pleased to note that our esteemed friend and colleague, Gordon Herring, is still doing well in his chosen diversion "Jibing".

The Yellow Jacket—West Virginia State College.

OTHER EXCHANGES

The Downingtown Bulletin, Downingtown, Pa.

The Negro History Bulletin, Washington, D. C.

The Clarion, Stratford, Conn.

The Junior Craftsman, Lathrop Polytechnic Institute, Kansas City, Mo.

The Lincoln Digest, Trenton, N. J.

The Francis Magnet, Washington, D. C.

The Normal Index, Normal, Alabama.

The Skeeter, Bordentown, N. J.

The Bridgeport Artisan, Bridgeport, Conn.

The State College Lantern, Dover, Del.

The Panther, Prairie View, Texas.
Our exchanges have our sincere wishes for a successful year.

From Our Subscribers:

We are always glad to encourage creative work, especially poetry. We print here an original poem submitted by one of our subscribers for two reasons: First, because we think it is good; and second, because we hope the printing of it may encourage the writer and you.

MY PRAYER

My prayer tonight is this:
That God will watch o'er all the world
And bless for me the ones who are
My friends by night as well as day;
Who cheer my path with kindly words
And guide my feet along their stumbling way.
These are the ones for whom my love goes out:
These are the ones for whom I pray.

Barbara Kerr, Sophomore.

The Candid Eye

The Welle(s), Orson and H. G., had a big hand in upsetting the nation. Bordentown was no exception. It seems as though Wesley Hicks was asleep and someone woke him at the wrong time. A voice on the radio said: "We now turn you over to the State Police at Gloversville, N. J." Hicks hearing the State Police, wiped out shortly after that announcement, and would hear no more. He proceeded to get his best togs, other belongings, (even his best girl's picture) and bolted for the door. Just at that moment another voice on the radio said, "This a presentation of C.B.S.—" Hicks heard it and turned around to find himself the amusement of a small, but increasing group of boys. I don't know whose box (radio) it was, but I know that Hicks wanted to break it up.

Can it be true? Word got out that some member of the faculty started to do the cut-out with baggage also. Going where nobody knows.

What's the matter you football boys? Can't you take it? Jake, "Fats", Hanson, Henry, and Tucker all have or have had bum legs. Better get 'em in trim before Cheyney.

The girls are fraidy-cats and then some. One night just before a movie, the girls in the back rows proceeded to turn up the chapel because a cute (?) little doggie was under the seat. We wonder if Perryman got a medal for seizing him by the narrative and putting him out?

While practicing for a program, Dorothy Fitzhugh perceived a harmless little mouse. Of course, she acted on the impulse.

Bruce Walker told me to tell you fellas that the "Y" billiard room is open. I saw a new cushion-covering, balls and sticks. I am wondering if they will last through the year.

Famous Remarks

Mr. Valentine: "Now, boys and girls."

Mr. Williams: "Quiet, please."

Miss Grant: (Chuckle), (chuckle), (chuckle).

Miss Bird: "Now, we shall not have that."

Capt. Eatmon: "Well sir, how do you do, sir?"

Capt. Still: "Hey there, mister-er-Corporal."

Mr. Jones: "Well, I don't know—but—ah—"

Major Watson: "Son, can't you do right?"

Mr. Godwin: "O-o-o-oh Howard."

Girls Find Week-Ends Enjoyable

Week-ends are the most enjoyable days to girls in boarding school. At least, this is a time all the girls look forward to on the Ironsides campus. The reason is that they have two whole days to themselves and in which they can do what they wish.

On Friday night they can always look forward to some form of entertainment given by the school. This is usually a movie, play, recital, bingo party, social, or cadet hop. Two of the most enjoyable so far have been the play, "The Balm of Gilead," presented by the South Jersey W.P.A. Dramatic Group, and the movie entitled, "Lord Jeff."

On Saturday at ten o'clock begins a program under the direction of the physical training instructor, Miss Butcher. Two types of hikes are given. One is the short hike which is taken every clear Saturday. The girls walk through the woods and visit farms, but they do not go very far. The other is called the "pay hike." There are usually two of these. The first one is to Trenton to see a movie, to shop a little, to have dinner and then to return to school. The other is like a barn party. The girls walk until they reach a good barn to use for a camp. The place is usually selected beforehand. Then they unpack, have lunch around a bonfire, sing, tell stories, and play games until time to start the long hike back to Ironsides.

Another Saturday sport the girls enjoy is soccer. Because the class teams have not been selected yet, each girl is trying hard to become a member. On October 22, there was a game between the girls of the Old Building and those of the New Building. The older girls won with a score of two to one.

There are many other things to do on Saturday. The knitting club, the tapping club, and the basketball clubs give every girl an opportunity to find something she likes to do. And for those who prefer it, there is bicycling and skating. Is it any wonder the girls enjoy the week-ends?

HERE 'N' THERE

Is it that the committee of hosts and hostesses can't stand commendation? The group actually functioned at the first social well enough to earn universal commendation. Such could not be said of the functioning at the Downingtown social. It's one thing to start a good thing, but quite another to keep it up. The eyes of the campus are upon you.

The pictures of the classes of 1937 and 1938 which were enlarged at the expense of the class of 1938 are here; were here in fact by Alumni Day. They hang in the hall of the Administration Building on either side of the main entrance to the Library. Here they are admired every day as the students pass up and down the hall.

When Mr. Morrow and Miss Grant called for cheer leaders recently, there were about thirty candidates. Outside of Julia Baugh, who won her spurs last year, Miss Grant announced that no Seniors would be elected. After many trials (and tribulations), the list narrowed down to six. There were Julia Baugh, Glynwood Forbes, Claudia Jones, Mary Hill, Theodore Small and Henry Robinson. For the last two games on the campus these folks have been whooping it up in the stands for the team.

The Community Players of Bordentown are planning to give soon "The Ghost Train", mystery thriller presented by the class of 1937. It should be interesting for those on the campus who saw our production to know that our neighbors have a taste for mysteries somewhat like our own.

New Course In Trade Curriculum

A new course was begun in the Boy's trade department here on October 10th. This new course was introduced as a result of a careful study of the placement records of our graduates and also of the trade curricula of modern vocational schools. The course is called "The Maintenance and Operation of Institutional Buildings" and is planned for four years. It is a combination of units from our General Mechanics, Carpentry, and Painting courses together with serviceable skills that will aid a graduate as a building custodian.

The course is planned on a co-operative basis and will extend through forty-eight weeks instead of the regular thirty-six of the school year. This makes it possible for a student to get credit for summer work and all other work done outside of the regular curricular hours in the school plant.

Seniors Present Sunday Program

Members of the Sunday Service Committee in past years have recommended that classes and clubs be responsible for one of the Sunday services each month. Cooperating with the committee, the Seniors volunteered to present a program for October.

Bertha Dunlap presided and introduced members of the class who rendered what was generally conceded to be a reverent and sincere religious service.

Ezra Washington delivered a sermon on "Hidden Treasure", full of meaning and logic.

A choir composed of the class rendered two anthems: "O Lamb of God", and "Incline Thine Ear". Members were: Mary Grogan, Leora Wright, Beatrice Tucker, Naomi Lee, Mary Hall, Anna Jackson, Elizabeth Scott, Julia Ware, France Percy, William Walker, William Kearney, Walter Dutton, and Samuel Seville.

Others who appeared were: Julia Baugh, Mary Bunting, Russell Henry, James Francis, Sarah Daymon.

Mr. Jones after the service commended the group and set the program up as an example for other classes and organizations. This was the first appearance of the Seniors before the student body.

We have about decided that Cranston Harris had better change the number on his football jersey. In case you do not know, the number is thirteen. Harris ran three-quarters of the length of the field when we played the Vagabonds for a touchdown that was not allowed. Then he went to Dover, ran 103 yards and was called back because both teams were off-sides.

The presidents of clubs and classes have been making some pretty good speeches about what they and their organizations stand for and plan to do for the year. We don't want anyone to get angry if we take him seriously and begin checking up on him to see if he does what he says.

The story is told that some stonecutters given printed instructions to cut "Orare Ben Jonson" on the great Elizabethan's tomb, decided that the "orare" (Latin for 'pray') was a mistake. They presumed to alter the inscription to read "O rare Ben Jonson." The name stuck; and literature books still refer to this famous poet and dramatist by that name. Newspaper reporters, during the career of our new faculty member as a track star, became so impressed with the lyric quality of his running motion that they applied the name to him, as a poet of the track.

Attend Conference NFA Meets in Georgia



This summer between the dates of August 21-24, eight students in the Agriculture Department of Bordentown Manual Training School, had the opportunity and privilege to attend the annual National Convention of New Farmers of America. The convention met at Georgia State Industrial College, near Savannah, Georgia.

THE TRIP

After leaving good old Ironsides on August 19, the boys along with Mr. Jacobs, their supervisor and instructor, spent three days traveling through the beautiful and historic towns and places which spotted their route to Savannah. This time gave them a wonderful opportunity to explore the campuses of many outstanding Negro colleges along their way. Virginia State College in Petersburg, Va., to which many of our graduates have gone, along with Fayetteville Teachers College, and South Carolina State College, of Orangeburg, S. Carolina, were some of the stopping places of the group. After this long, but enjoyable and enlightening trip, they arrived in the land of Palm trees, Georgia.

THE CONVENTION

The convention hall was decorated in the organization colors of Black & Gold. The chief officers sat on the rostrum with the official State delegate in their respective areas occupying the front of the auditorium. The music was furnished by the official N.F.A. band from Lawrenburg, North Carolina. The first day of the convention was devoted to committee meetings, agricultural judging contest and public speaking contest. This day was spent mostly in organizing and getting things in running order.

On the second day the committees made their various reports and the prizes and rewards were bestowed upon the deserving individuals, the highest honor being that of the Superior Degree.

The Quartette singing contest and stunt night took place in the evening.

To visit the Penn School on St. Helena Island was the program for the third day. A pleasure boat was chartered. The entire group sailed from Savannah to Beaufort, S. C., where buses and trucks carried them to St. Helena Island. Penn School is credited with being the first school organized in the South for the education of Negroes. It was founded in 1862, during the Civil War.

The unusual sight to those who were not familiar to the area around Savannah were the palmetto trees, live oak trees, and Spanish moss. These three plants presented an impressive picture which the boys say will never be forgotten.

The official report on the attendance at the convention was 384 persons. This number composed: Students of vocational agriculture, teachers, state supervisors and wives and children.

Phila. Alumni Organize; Elect Trent President

A Philadelphia chapter of the Bordentown Alumni Association was organized recently at a meeting held at the Christian Street Y in that city.

Fifteen members were present. Of this number, two were of the class of 1904; one was of the class of 1914; one of 1921; one of 1924; and the rest from the more recent classes.

Officers of the new group were: Clifford Trent, president; Fannie Huff, vice president; Evelyn Miller Payne, secretary, and treasurer, Elisha Strickland.

Those present at the meeting were: Mrs. Fannie H. Jones, Mrs. Andrew Stevens, Mrs. Gladys Baxter, Mrs. David Payne, Misses Edith Morse, Fannie Huff, Nellie Brazier, Bertha Ryder, Adelaide Perry, Jane Smith; Messers William Smith, Elisha Strickland, Clifford Trent, and James Newman.

Boys Lead Honor Roll

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Seventh Grade: 7.1% representation:

Bernice Carter, Jesse Jackson.

Sophomores: 7% representation:

Albert McCreary, Edward Jordan, Barbara Kerr, Claudia Jones, John Miller, James Nicholson.

Eighth Grade: 2.2% representation:

Lillian Cephas.

According to the records submitted, the grades for the honor roll in trade are higher than usual and fewer names appear:

Agriculture: Dempsey Dixon, Cranston Harris.

Band Music: Russell Henry, James Francis, Harold Stewart, William Walker, Robert Watson.

Carpentry: Joseph Hall, Robert Hanson, Benjamin Buggs.

General Mechanics: Wayman Taylor, Thomas Richardson, Henry Banks, Ira Smith, Shirley Beverly.

Painting: Lawrence Towler, Edward White, Solon Chamberlain.

Beauty Culture: Barbara Fletcher.

Domestic Science: Anna Montgomery, Gladys Johnson, Miriam Weaver, Frances Bone, Thelma Pemberton, Pauline Brown, Cornelia Grant, Eva Hamlin, Lillian Baskerville, Thelma Allison, Willie Belle Jones.

Sewing: Genevieve Allison, Clarissa Berry, Eleanor Melvin, Edith Battles.

Laundry: Laura Brown, Genevieve Allison.

Each student representative of New Jersey had some assignment. They were given out as follows:

1. Agriculture Judging Team
Frank Green
William Tucker
George Robinson
2. New Jersey Official Delegates
Frank Armstead
Cranston Harris
3. New Jersey Member National Board of Trustees
D. Dixon
3. Quartet
C. Harris
F. Green
J. Meadows
D. Dixon
5. Chauffeur of Station Wagon
S. Arrington

After three days of participation in conference activities the group left the beautiful campus of Georgia State College and headed back home by way of the "Victory Drive." This road is shaded with enormous live oak trees heavily laden with moss and overhanging palm trees spread for miles and miles along the smooth highways. It left a lasting impression on all the group.

The boys express their deepest appreciation to Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Valentine and the State of New Jersey for making this wonderful and beneficial trip possible.

Mr. Fuller Leaves Scout Troop No. 28

The scouts have lost a good scoutmaster in Mr. Fuller who left them on October 31st, after introducing Mr. Johnson, who will take over the troop.

Mr. Fuller has been with the troop since last year and has worked hard and faithfully to build up a troop. He is leaving behind him a well-organized troop which will profit in the future from things Mr. Fuller has taught them in the past.

But all is not regrets because the Scouts have in Mr. Johnson a new, enthusiastic worker, who has promised to do all he can to help advance the troop further along the lines of Mr. Fuller. So we say "goodbye" to Mr. Fuller, who we are sorry to say is leaving us and "hello" to Mr. Johnson, whom we are glad to welcome here in Troop 28.

Early in October forty scouts made a trip to Palmyra to enter a competition rally against 18 other troops of nearby cities.

Upon arrival they played a short football game with Troop 21, of Palmyra, but the game was soon broken up because the meet was about to start.

The events which Scouts entered, the teams, and places in which they finished:

Water Boiling Contest

Team—John Fleming and Henry Lane. 2nd Place—Time 12 minutes.

Knot Tying Contest

Entries—Albert McCreary and Thomas Richardson. McCreary took 1st place, Richardson 3rd.

Tug of War Contest

Team—Harlan Ready, Page Cannon, Henry Banks, James Clinton, Howard Brooks, Edward Holmes, Henry Lane, Wendell Barnes eliminated other troops to win 1st place.

String Burning Contest

Two teams entered—Albert McCreary and Richard Daley; Henry Lane and John Fleming. No place. This was the only event in which they entered that they did not place.

Bugling Contest

Entry—Edward Holmes. 2nd place. The troop took second place in the meet. Troop 50 took first place with 19 points and then Troop 28 of Bordentown took second place with 15 points. There were three troops tied for third place with 8 points.

The scouts were successful on their first trip of the year and hope to be able to attend some more rallies and be able to report a first place.

Palmyra Scouts Visit Bordentown

The Boy Scouts' program this fall has been full of interesting happenings. Another important event was the visit of Troop 22, of Palmyra, to the campus on Wednesday, October 26, at eight-thirty. The troop was welcomed by the scoutmaster, Mr. Fuller.

The main feature of the visit was a program in the gymnasium in which all the scouts participated. There were sixteen visitors, and these were divided so that four were put in each patrol. The program included pyramid building, musical numbers, and marching. The evening ended with the lusty cheers given by the Palmyra group.

On Thursday, October 27, the Scouts gave a chapel program, under the direction of the assistant scoutmaster, Thomas Freeman, and the scribe, Henry Robinson.

The program opened with a recitation of the Scout oath, and the Scout law by all the members.

A flint and steel contest in which four scouts took part was won by Scout Richard Daley. The pyramid building contest was won by the Panther patrol. The program was greatly enjoyed by the whole student body.

BORDENTOWN COMES TO CHEYNEY CONTEST UNBEATEN

Early Victories Put Team In Shape For Fray Saturday

As the Cheyney contest looms over the horizon, fans are beginning to figure on the comparative score basis just what will happen when Pennsylvania and New Jersey lock horns on November 19 in Cheyney's Stadium.

Bordentown comes to the contest unbeaten, and tied only once; that too, in the opening game of the season. Although Cheyney has been defeated by Howard and Lincoln, those defeats came early in the season with a team that was green.

In the contests between the school since 1917, Cheyney has won more than Bordentown. Since 1933 scores have run as follows: 1933—Bordentown 19, Cheyney 13; 1934—Cheyney 6, Bordentown 0; 1935, Cheyney 20, Bordentown 7; 1936, a scoreless tie; 1937—a scoreless tie.

The Echo sports reporter sums up the matter thus:

November 19 is the date. Some one is going to be greatly surprised. The Bordentown-Cheyney attraction is not unlike the nationally famous Pittsburgh-Fordham series. For two years these teams have battled and fought up and down a creaked field in scoreless ties. Will the break come this year? Who knows? November 19 is the day and not until then will the issue be known.

A green, light Bordentown team is ready to go. Because of the long-existing rivalry between the two teams, the margin that much spirit brings can never be gauged. In a game like this anything can happen.

Mr. Valentine and Mr. Hill, both principals of the rival schools, predict absolute victory for their squads.

November 19 is the day and may the best team win!

BORDENTOWN AND VAGABONDS DRAW 6-6

In one of the first games of its sort around the Philadelphia area, the powerful heavy Vagabond aggregation were held to a 6 to 6 draw, when they met the Bordentown "Wildcats" early in October on Passon Field.

The game was closely played by both squads and filled with long sensational runs. Harris, of the Ironsiders and Barringer, of the Vagabonds, both stellar halfbacks of their respective squads, played an excellent brand of football from start to finish. Bordentown's touchdown came as a result of a pass from Powell to Allison during the second period; while the Vagabonds scored their tally when Barringer crossed the stripe after a short run around his short side. Bordentown carried the ball over again in the last quarter, but the play was called back, although there was some difference of opinion among officials as to this ruling.

The following boys saw action in the game: Jacobs, Drake, Spicer, Williams, W. Taylor, Harrison, Tucker, G. Johnson, Powell, Harris, H. Robinson. W. Allison scored for Bordentown, sent in as substitute for Jacobs.

IRONSIDES DEFEATS DOVER STATE, 19-12

On Saturday, October 21, the mighty blue and gold clad warriors from Ironsides journeyed to Dover, Delaware, where they renewed their gridiron feud with the Dover State lads by nosing out the college boys 19 to 12.

Starting out from the opening whistle, Dover began working: first plunging, then bucking, through the

Ironsides line. Not until the inspired sons of Delaware scored the first touchdown did the lads from Jersey come to life. Then Powell and Harris, fast, shifty halfbacks of the Wildcats, began reeling off long end runs and short, quick off-tackle slashes which caught the Dover boys off balance. For 50 straight yards the blue and gold gridders marched, not stopping until they crossed the touchdown stripe.

The teams then settled down with both squads trying to outmaneuver the other; and not until the last few seconds of the half was either team able to score. On an off-tackle slice, Harris dashed 15 yards for a touchdown.

Score at half 13-6—Bordentown.

The second half was nearly an exact repetition of the first Dover came back and walked practically through the Ironsides line for its second score of the day.

After this Bordentown settled down and while holding Dover scoreless, pushed over another six points for themselves. Final score Bordentown 19, Dover 12.

The Bordentown lineup was: H. Tucker, R. Drake, W. Taylor, K. Williams, W. Spicer, H. Robinson, W. Jacobs, H. Hairston, M. Johnson, C. Harris, N. Powell.

PENNA. CHAMPS BOW TO WILDCATS

The highly touted Bucks County championship organization, Andalusia A. C., was surprisingly trampled beneath the moving feet of a spirited Wildcat squad to the tune of 26-7 on Alumni Day.

Andalusia, a well-coached and fast moving squad around the Philadelphia area, after outplaying the Ironsiders for nearly a half, saw a new spirited team come back in the second half and smother them under with four touchdowns. The Bucks County Champions scored their first and only tally in the first period on an interference play; and never again got in scoring position. In the second period, Bordentown had complete control of the game, all the way through. The outstanding play of the backs, Powell, Smith, Harris along with Drake, at tackle, sparked the Bordentown gridders on to victory in the second half, the final score being 26-7.

The Bordentown lineup: King, Drake, Spicer, Allison, Polhemus, Robinson, Jones, Henry Powell, Harris, Johnson.

DOWNINGTOWN TROUNCED, 42-0

Downingtown's small, fighting squad of gridders were trounced by the over-whelming score of 42 to 0, when they encountered Coach Watson's powerful gridiron machine for the first league game played on the home field.

The first half saw a fighting squad of boys from Downingtown giving all they had to preserve the unwritten law of every Downingtown team. "We will fight." They proved this during the first period. Despite the fact that they were outweighed and outclassed in practically every position, the boys from Pennsylvania tried valiantly to stop the onslaught of the Ironsides huskies.

Bordentown scored their first touchdowns in rapid sequence. A few seconds after the whistle had put the ball into play, Ira John Smith carried the ball over on an off-tackle slice. From this point on Bordentown ran over the visitors at will. "Mule" Johnson played one of the best games of his career and ran circles around the amazed Downingtown squad. All of the backs of the Ironsiders played heads-up football, carrying the pigskin for the total of 13 first downs during the course of

Rah, Rah, Rah Ironsides!



Here are the cheerleaders in action at the Alumni Game: Small, Forbes Claudia Jones, Emily Johnson, Mary Hill, and Henry Robinson.

the afternoon. The running of Smith and C. Harris netted the Jersey lads many long gains. This clash, although a one-sided affair, had plenty of color and excitement packed into it. Hugh Hairston supplied it in the last period by running 65 yards on an intercepted pass for a touchdown.

Bordentown's line-up was: King, Drake, Taylor, Williams, Polhemus, Spicer, Jones, W. Jacobs, I. Smith, C. Harris, Powell.

WILDCATS ROUT PRINCESS ANNE, 25-0

New Jersey's Bordentown "Wildcats" traveled to sunny Maryland on Saturday, November 12, and encountered the spirited squad of gridders of Princess Anne College, coming out victorious after a continuous hard-fought battle, 25 to 0.

After starting off the first period very slowly, the college boys of Princess Anne and the aggressive squad from Bordentown, put on one of the most spectacular and exciting clashes which either squad had witnessed thus far this season. Although the Wildcats showed their superiority during the latter part of the first period by pushing over two touchdowns, they had to fight and work every inch of the way being pushed by an alert but lighter squad of college gridders. The Ironsiders scored their first counter when Powell ran off-tackle and bucked over the white stripe after a short run. "Mule" Johnson shortly followed this up by skitting around left end, aided by perfect blocking, for the second tally. The second and third periods were featured by the close combat of both teams. Each squad seemed to be giving everything it had. This was not broken up until the last half of the third period when Powell seemed to go wild and dashed to two sensational touchdowns, Arrington scoring the extra point. Final score Bordentown 25; Princess Anne 0.

The following saw action for Bordentown: Tucker, Drake, Spicer, Williams, Polhemus, Johnson, King, Harris, Johnson, Smith, Powell, W. Taylor, K. Atterberry, J. Allison, S. Arrington, H. Hairston.

Cadets Parade In Bordentown

Cadets from the school took part in the parade in commemoration of Armistice Day, sponsored by the Ervin V. Hamilton Post No. 26, American Legion, on Saturday evening, November 12.

Several service units took part, and eleven musical units.

B. M. I. turned out complete.

There was general commendation for the appearance of the Ironsides' unit.

Echo Reporter Interviews Ben Johnson

In order to acquaint the student body with the newest member of our faculty, the Echo reporter, Jacobs, managed to corner him and fire a few questions.

Mr. Johnson, first of all, is a graduate of Columbia University, coming out with the class of 1938. There he majored in English for four years. He is better known to most of us as an outstanding athlete who has brought credit and acclaim to his race as he carried the colors of his Alma Mater to national and international recognition. He has been prominent in track circles for about nine years, competing both here and aboard.

Here are some of the amazing major records he has made:

60-yard dash—World's record—6 sec.

60-meter dash—Co-holder World's record—6.6 sec.

40-yard meter—Co-holder World's record—4.4 sec.

100-yard dash—Co-holder (Owens-Metcalf) 9.4 sec.

100-meter dash—Co-holder (Peacock-Owens)—10.2 sec.

Mr. Johnson likes the campus very much; and although he has been here but a short a time, he has already taken an active part in many of our activities.

He is very friendly, modest, and active; in fact he reminds one of the ever-popular "Fess" Ray.

We extend to him our sincere wishes for a most successful school year while he is here at Ironsides.

Alumni Notes

St. Clair Rogers '35, is now at the Hotel Majestic in Philadelphia where he is doing a dance act with Al Shenck. He was at the Surf Room of the Brigantine Beach Hotel in Atlantic City all summer.

Ethel Pruitt '35, stopped by Bordentown on her way to begin her Junior year at Howard University. She tells us that Elmira Jones will be a student in Howard this year. She often sees Carl Taylor, a member of her class, who is also a student at Howard.

Rosetta Jones '35, writes from Short Hills, where she is working, that she has applied for admission to training as nurse at Freedman's in Washington. Her letter was an especially newsy one. She tells us that Ruth Nelson and Lillian Carter have married. Edith Warren who married two years ago has a daughter.

Betty Co-Ed Attends A Football Game

"Say, Chris, aren't you ready yet? You surely are slow. The team plays Downingtown today, and you pick a time like this to read a fairy tale. Whom do you want for a hero today anyhow, a football hero or a Prince Charming?"

"I'm ready now; let's go. Listen! I think they've started already. Oh, look at that fellow! He's going the wrong way with the ball. Why doesn't he turn around and run to the other goal? It's nearer and would be so much easier."

"Don't be silly. He's running just right. And watch him run. Oh, he made it! He made it!"

"They're yelling 'a touchdown! A touchdown!' What's a touchdown?"

"Do you mean to stand there and tell me you don't know what a touchdown is? Shame on you! Why, a touchdown is—er—is when a player touches a ball and falls down on it beyond that line nearest those two sticks over there."

"Oh, is that all? And so that's what they're yelling about — just that..."

"Just that. That's six points for us, roomie. Rah! Rah! Rah! Come on, help the crowd cheer."

"Cheer? What for?"

"Oh, just to get some fresh air in your lungs. They say it's good for you."

"Look, Betty, something must be wrong. All the players are walking off the field."

"Oh, you nitwit. It's the end of the first half and they get a few minutes to rest up for the second half of the game."

"Rest! Why, they haven't done anything yet? I think they ought to give that poor ball a rest, though."

"Say, Chris, don't you know anything about football? Sit down and take the load off of your feet."

"Wait a minute; my foot is caught in these boards."

"Too bad it's just your foot."

"Here's the team coming back. They look rested. Perhaps they'll do something now."

"I hope they make another touchdown in a hurry. Look! Rusty's caught the ball. Now he's running down the field. They can't stop him. He's almost there! Hurry, please hurry, Rusty! Oh shucks, they've got him. But what a run!"

"Run! Pshaw, they need me on that team."

"Yes, I can well imagine. Just two yards to go for another touchdown. They're calling signals now. Hurrah! Rusty's got that ball again. He's across! He made it—a touchdown! It's a touchdown!"

"But he didn't touch the ball and fall down. He just caught it and ran. I think that must be a foul and I'm sure he did it the wrong way."

"Oh, keep still. Twelve to nothing, and only two minutes to go. Oh, I'm so happy!"

"What are they stopping for?"

"Well, Starbright, the game is over and they usually stop at that point."

"Let's go home. Do you know, either these boys don't play this game right or else I don't understand it. And I don't see how that's possible."

"Good work, team. Come on, roomie, and some day I'll help you to figure out this game."

"Oh, don't bother. I'm tired of the word, football. I guess I'll tune in on WJZ—There he goes, fans. That great Columbia halfback surely can run. They can't stop him. It's going to be a touchdown—yes—it is a touch —. Goodness, I think the whole world must be football crazy."

"Time is fleeting, life is short."

"Sit down Miss Fletcher (Bernice)", (Says Mr. Williams)

"Or make your report."

(From the History Class).