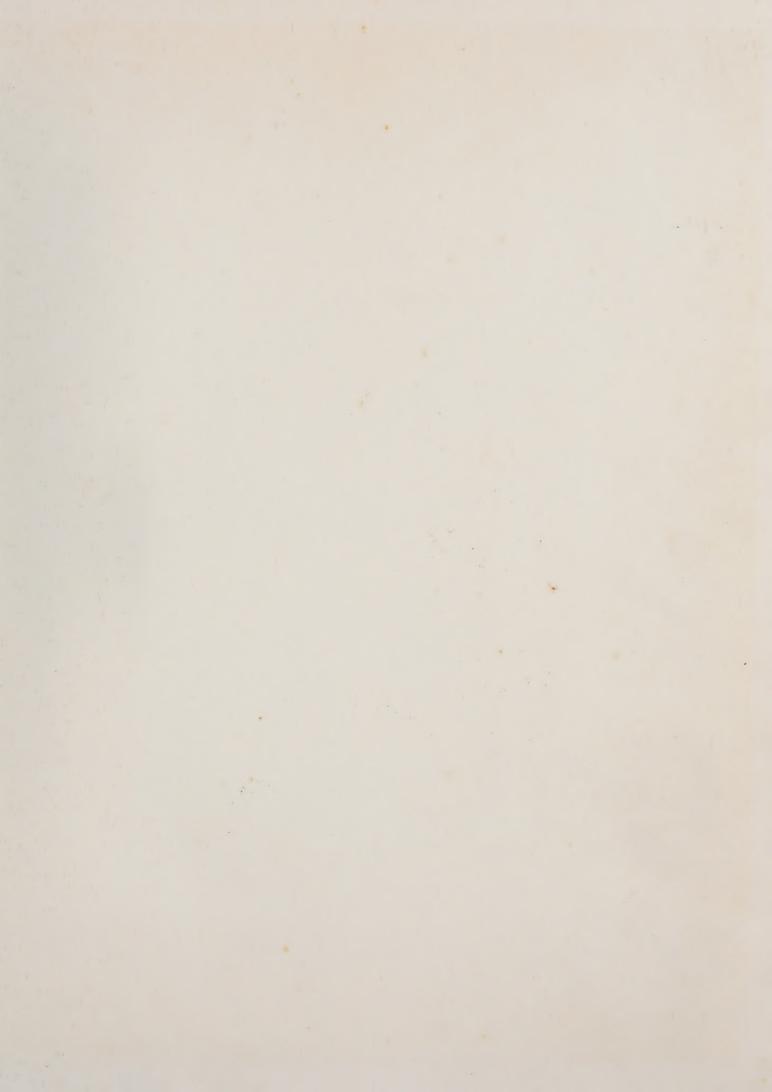
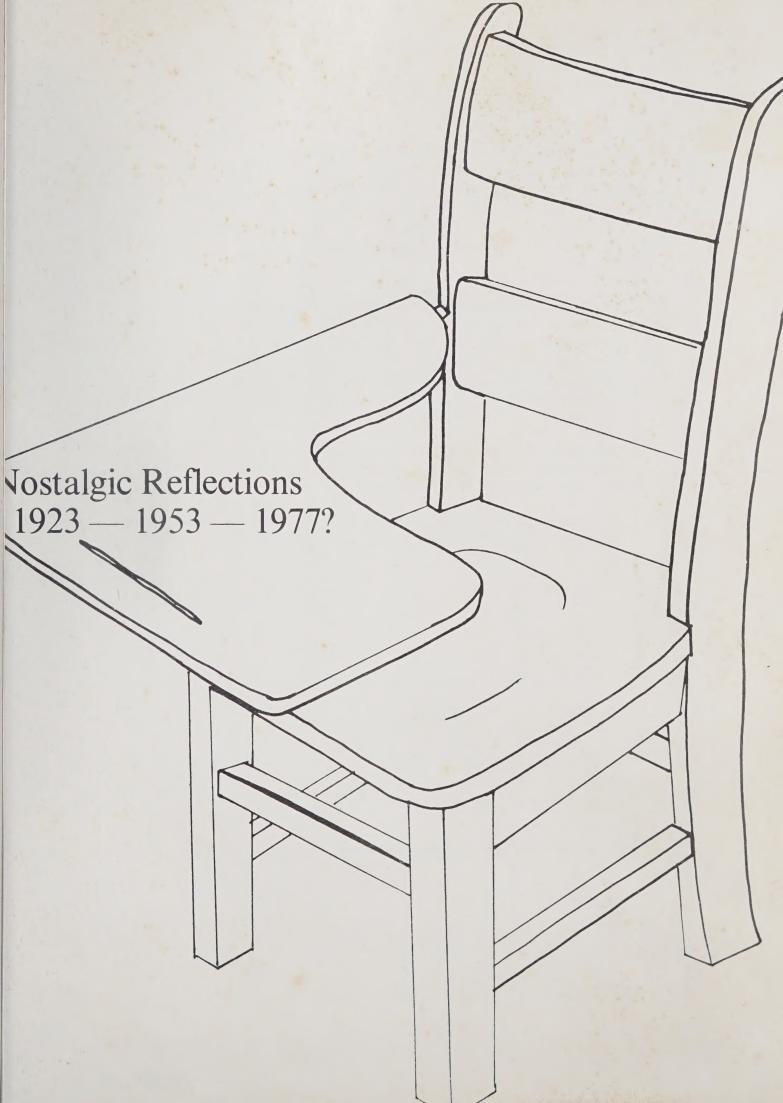


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Foreword

Some of the most pleasurable experiences that one can have are to reminisce memorable occasions, lasting friendships, ceremonial events, and the respect held for his alma mater. The Washington High School alumni has been engaged in such activities and herein shares and documents these experiences through the nostalgia reflections issue of THE ECHO. The enthusiasm, optimism, determination, integrity, and pride of the alumni are responsible for the collating of this issue of "Nostalgic Reflections."

Summarily, we have endeavored to pictorially present: where we began; where we have been; what we have experienced; what we have done, and last, but not least, what we cherish, honor and respect.

As you turn the pages of this historical issue of THE ECHO, may you find pleasure reading and viewing it as we, the staff, found researching and compiling it.

The Editor

Memory is not just the imprint of the past time upon us; it is the keeper of what is meaningful for our deepest hopes and fears

Rollo May

History

The idea of the Washington High School Alumni Association stemmed from an informal gathering of five former Washington High School graduates called together by Mrs. Janie McIntyre Keyes. The meeting was held at her home in July, 1972. Those attending were Della Parker Perry, Ivonne Hart Pope, Eunice Young Joyner, and Shirley Morgan Tunstall.

This group discussed the possibility of having the WHS Alumni of the Forties.

After more former students had been contacted and became interested in forming such an association, a Steering Committee was formed which consisted of the following persons:

- 1. Janie M. Keyes Founder
- 2. Della P. Perry Co-Founder
- 3. Yvonne H. Pope Co-Founder
- 4. Eunice Y. Joyner Co-Founder
- 5. Ruby Powell Fain
- 6. Mabel Powell Casey
- 7. Martha Moore
- 8. Charles Irving
- 9. Norman Sanders
- 10. Dorothy Sanders
- 11. Barbara Hart Corbett
- 12. Lucinda Woods Farrell
- 13. Ester Perry Newkirk
- 14. Madeline Mials Keith
- 15. Hattie Wright Butler
- 16. Pecolia Branch Jones
- 17. Ruth Branch
- 18. Rogerline Harrison Gay
- 19. Ida Ruth Sanders Mials

This committee made contacts with a large number of graduates and former students in and out of Raleigh.

At our first Alumni Meeting held at Roberts Center, it was explained to the group that it could be an all-inclusive Association which would include those students who not only graduated but attended from 1923-1953 and would have graduated had they not dropped out for reasons beyond their control.

The original five people were hopeful that the Association would be steered toward civic affairs for the improvement of our community and our young people of the future.

FOUNDERS:

Janie McIntyre Keyes — Acting Chairman Della Parker Perry — Acting Secretary Yvonne Hart Pope Shirley Morgan Tunstall Eunice Young Joyner

Principals Of Washington High

Mr. L. S. Cozart



Mr. Joshua L. Levister

Professor J. L. Levister, disciple of good will and co-operation, whose untiring efforts and thoughtful advice inspired as well as directed the lives of boys and girls in the public schools of Raleigh for twenty-seven years, left a legacy of Humanitarian Spirit and forthrightness for all of us to emulate.





Mr. M.W. Akins



Mr. C. H. McLendon

To the Class of 1949:

For each member of the 1949 graduating class there is something worthwhile to do. It will utilize the whole of each individual, heart and hand, brain and brawn, soul and sinew. It should be done by you; it can be done by you. It is your duty.

What is to be done by you? Look for it. Yearn for it. Reach out for it. Lay hold upon it. The discovery of your duty is urgent and imperative.

When you find it, do it with all your might. Focus all your mind upon your work. Do it with all diligence and devotion. Concentrate upon your purpose without swerving or stopping. Get results that will satisfy and serve mankind. As mankind is served, Washington High School will be magnified.

C. H. McLENDON, Principal.

Deans

The end and aim of all education is the development of character Francis W. Parker

Miss Louise Latham Dean of Girls

Miss Maye Ligon Dean of Girls

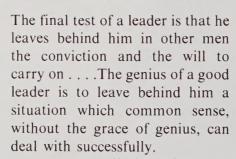






Mr. Henry T. Johnson Dean of Boys

Mr. R. Herndon Toole Boys Counselor



Walter Lippmann



Mrs. Louise Perrin Girls Counselor

Reward Of Service

by Elizabeth Browning

The sweetest lives are those to duty wed, Whose deeds both great and small are close-knit strands of an unbroken thread, Where love ennobles all. The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells, The Book of Life the slurring record tells.

IN MEMORIUM

RHODES HERNDON TOOLE ALMA HERNDON ADDISON HENRY T. JOHNSON E. M. M. KELLY MAC W. AKINS C. H. McLENDON JAMES "PUS BAKER" JOYCE C. McLENDON
JOSHUA W. LEVISTER
WILSON INBORDEN
MARGUERITE R. COOKE
IDA EVANS WASHINGTON
CHARLIE "MACK" WILLIAMS
MRS. LOUISE PERRIN

Washington High School Hymn

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Washington, for the glory of our deeds, Lead, oh lead us, for true old gold and blue; Lead, oh lead us, while gold and blue fly high, Our victories are flying in the sky.

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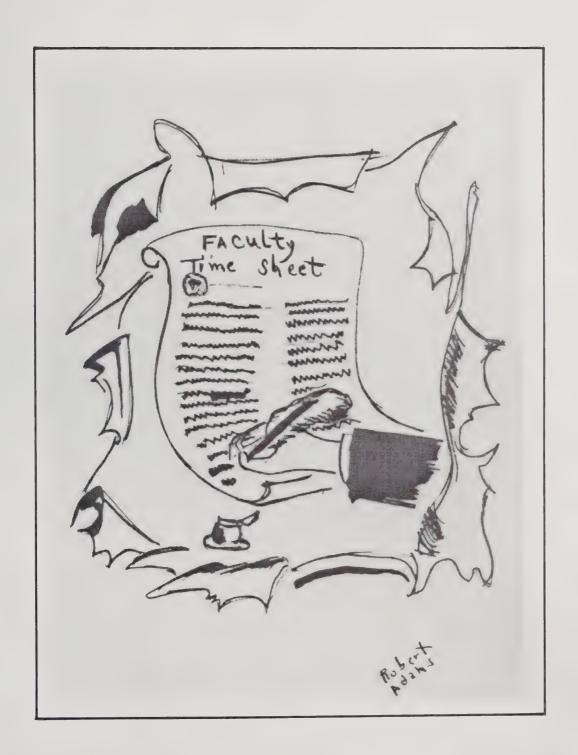
Lead, Washington, your sons to truth and light; Lead, oh lead us; we strive with all our might. There are loyal hearts and there are spirits brave; We'll follow you, the old gold and blue.

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Dear Washington, we love thy colors true, Give us thy strength to fight this battle through; Proudly we hail thy name with courage bold, These daring colors we shall ever hold.

IV

Lead us, oh Lord, to ever live aright,
Help us to e'er be true to our creed;
To e'er uphold the motto of our school:
CHARACTER, COURTESY, AND CULTURE.





Mr. M. W. Akins, A.B., B.S.



Mr. John H. Brown, Jr. B.S., Diversified Occupations and Vocational Guidance, Student Placement Service, Director of Veterans Information and Counseling Service



Miss Margaret Bugg A.B., Latin, Director of Language Group, Girl Reserves Adviser, Senior Class Adviser



Mrs. Josephine M. Clanton B.S., Home Economics Instructor; Adviser, Home Economics Club



Mrs. Ethel L. Clark B.A., English, History Instructor; Crown and Scepter Adviser



Mrs. P. Cunningham

Mr. H. Cunningham



Minetta Gaylor Eaton

CONGRATULATIONS to the Editor, her Staff and Alumni for NOSTALGIC REFLECTIONS . . . Then and Now . . . It was great working with the students, faculty and parents at Washington High School.

Then — A teacher

Now — Retired Principal Raleigh Schools Minetta Gaylor Eaton, 123 South Tarboro Rd., Raleigh, N. C. 27610



Mrs. Gertrude Harris

Cheers and accolades to all the dreamers and achievers of dear old W.H.S. It is a joy to behold the W.H.S. leaders of today, who in spite of difficulties and injustices, are the essence of determination, fortitude and scholarship. Right On! Spirit of America!



Miss Jeanette Hicks Teacher of French, Adviser to Girls Reserve

CULTURE

It takes only a period of about a dozen years to implant a basic culture in the mind of man — the period between the age of two and the age of fourteen. In a psychobiological sense, history, tradition and custom are only about twelve years old.

Bearsley Ruml





Mr. M. C. Hill B.S.; Biology, Mathematics Instructor; Patrol, Hi-Y, Camera, Varsity Club Adviser

Mrs. Fannie V. Latham Biology, Math

Let us as former teachers and students who cared about the teaching and learning process in quest for knowledge, take pride in rededicating ourselves to caring—

About Learning — and teaching in quest for sound and lasting economic security.

About Improving — all aspects of our ever broadening needs of a changing society.

About Developing — leadership in services and skills.

About the Future — our responsibility to accomplish goals we have set for ourselves.

Mrs. Alberta P. Levingston B.S., A.M.; Home Economics Homemakers Club, Girl Reserves Adviser

"He can who thinks he can . . . "

— Anonymous

Mr. John C. Levingston Founder and Director of the first Washington High School Marching Band.

"Music exalts life."

— Unknown



Miss Maye E. Ligon English teacher Dean of girls

Teaching that would lay any claim at all to distinction, if not to actual greatness, is the influence of personality upon personality, rather than the mere imparting of a set of facts.

Frank E. Gaebelein



Mr. G. F. Newell B.S., M.S. — Dean of boys and English Hobby—Reading and Listening to News





Mrs. V. K. Newell A.B., Mathematics Hobby—Sewing, Dancing and Interior Decorating

Mutual respect and friendship constitute the highest form of relationship between student and teacher.

Excerpt from "Ten Axioms For A Christian Teacher"

Not Minds Alone

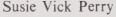
Charles P. Steinmetz



Mrs. Louise Perrin B.S., M.A., Social Studies Hobby—Horticulture Singing and Home-Art Decorating

When I reflect on the eight years that I spent at the Washington High School, the "togetherness" of the student body always comes to mind. WHS students were always united in support of the "Little Blues" and their major annual publication, "The Echo." I also vividly remember the well rehearsed, elaborately staged and thoroughly enjoyable assembly programs, choral concerts and dramatic presentations.

Elsie H. Perry



When one tries to remember a most important event in her long science teaching career, it becomes an impossibility. I do remember, that my main MEMORY lingers on the MANY ENTHUSIASTIC STUDENTS, who wanted to acquire scientific knowledge, and therefore, my career was dedicated, helping them find a MEANING TO LIFE, AND THINK FOR THEM-SELVES.

As Rudyard Kipling said, "I keep six honest serving men, (They taught me all I know) Their names are WHAT AND WHY AND WHEN AND HOW AND WHERE AND WHO." These key words were the basis for their learning, and achieving. A large number of Washington High School Students have made a place for themselves in careers of their choice. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI.









Mrs. Janice Wall Robertson B.S.—Commercial Education Hobby—Reading, Cooking, and Music

Friendship is only a reciprocal conciliation of interests, and an exchange of good offices; it is a species of commerce out of which self-love always expects to gain something.

François, Duc de la Rochefoucauld

Mr. William W. Smith B.S., Mathematics, Director of Math Group, Chairman of Athletic Committee, Hi-Y Club Adviser, Senior Class Adviser

THE FOUR P's

Education fails unless the three R's at one end of the school spectrum lead untimately to the four P's at the other end:

Preparation for Earning
Preparation for Living
Preparation for Understanding, and
Preparation for Participation in the problems involved in the making of a better world.

Norman Cousins



Kathleen L. Thomas Daughter of the first Principal of W.H.S.

Mrs. Etta Duren Toole

Vocational Home Economics Teacher, Adult Home Economics classes, Teenage summer classes. Married to Mr. R. Herndon Toole.

Mutual respect and friendship constitute the highest form of relationship between student and teacher.

Excerpt from "Ten Axioms For A Christian Teacher"

Not Minds Alone





Mr. Peter H. Williams B.S.; Physical Education, Football Coach



Mrs. Rosalie Bryant Williams

Then: Secretary to Principal and
Foreign Language Teacher
Now: Associate Professor of
English, Shaw University
The fond memories I cherish of
Washington High School are too
numerous to list here. All of us who
are faculty, friends or alumni of
Washington are grateful to the committee who conceived, assembled and
published this beautiful memento of
those good ole days.

Miss Effie Yeargin Social Studies, French, Diversified Occupations

Something Of Yourself

You simply give to others a bit of yourself —

- a thoughtful act
- a helpful idea
- a word of appreciation
- a lift over a rough spot
- a sense of understanding

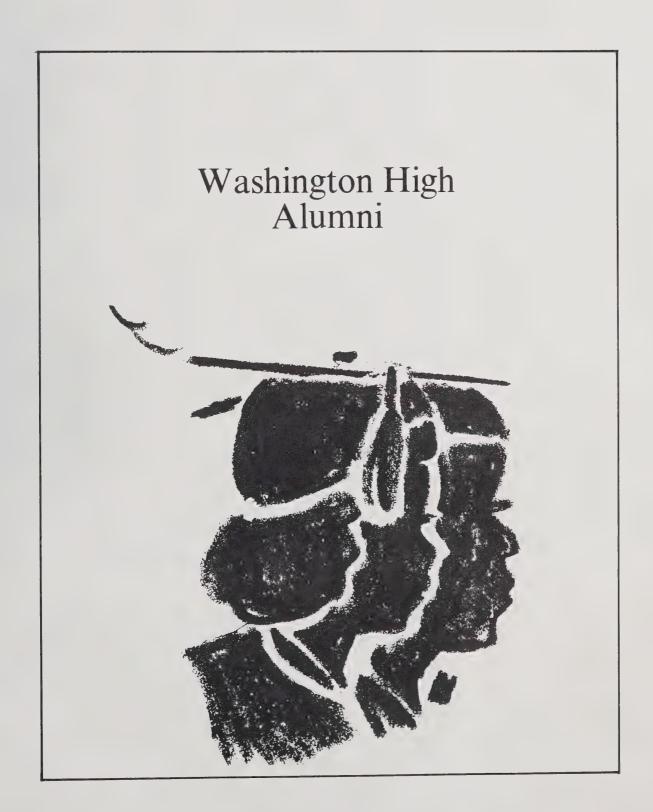
You take something out of your mind, garnished in kindness out of your heart, and put into another fellow's mind and heart.

Charles H. Burr





VOCATIONAL DEPARTMENT: Mr. Benjamin F. French, B.S., Auto Mechanics; Miss Janice Wall, B.C.S., Commercial Education; Mrs. Etta E. Duren Toole, B.S., Vocational Home Economics; Mr. Clifton Exum, B.S., Building Trades; Mr. John C. Levingston, B.S., Industrial Arts; Mrs. Alberta M. Levingston, B.S., M.A., Vocational Home Economics



Clarence Dontez Adcock
"Valentino"
1953
Artist — Dancer

George H. Adams 1950 Singing

Now: Sales Supervisor Exxon Co., U.S.A.

Nelson Alston "Pal" 1954

Now: Intercity Bus Co. Driver, New York City

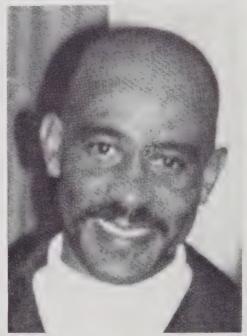
Pitcher, Big O Softball Team, Passaic, New Jersey

> Willie Alston "Bill" 1955

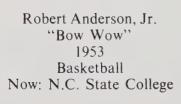
Captain — Little Blues Football Squad Now: Real Estate Salesman Rutherford, New Jersey

Manager, Big O Softball Team Passaic, New Jersey









Elizabeth Barber
"Libba"
Girl Reserve Glee Club
Now: Lizs' Beauty Shop Raleigh, N. C.
Owner-Operator









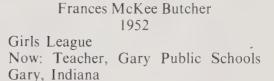
Catherine Berry
"Cat"
Home Economics Club
Now: Supervisor of Social Workers
Queens, N. Y.

Josephine Brown
"Jo"
Cheering Squad, Crown and Scepter
Club, Echo Staff
Now: Reading Specialist Wake County
Schools Director of Development





Delois Lois Bumphus 1950 New Home Economics Association, Y-Teens, English Club Now: Early Childhood Teacher Hillsboro, N. C.







Odessa Mae Yarborough Byrd 1946

Office Staff

Now: QCT Hillhaven, Sunnybrook

Marguerite Lopez Butcher
1950
Cheering Squad
Now: Language Arts Instructor Gary
Public School System Gary, Indiana

Aleece Carrington Carr Glee Club Now: Traffic Continuity Controller

Joseph Carr, Sr.
"Joe"

lee Club Dancer Life of

Glee Club, Dancer, Life of the party Now: N.C. Dept. of Insurance





Alice Carson "Jackie" 1952 Baseball, Tennis Player Now: Sales Lady, Cashier

Eddie Chavis
"Billy"
Remembrance of Miss E.M.M. Kelly
and Dean Henry Johnson
Now: American Airline Passenger Service—Metropolitan Airport, Detroit

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Mabel Powell Casey
1941
Glee Club, Girl Reserve
"All the good 'ole' golden rule days at W.H.S."

Now: Assistant Director, Teacher—Raleigh Nursery School

> Bettie Chislom "Butch" 1949

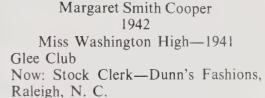
Majorette, Glee Club, Superlative Nominee for Ideal Girl Now: Administrative Assistant, Woman's Baptist State Convention Travel—Holland, France, Holy Lands, and West Africa











Lethia Young Daniels

"Leedy"

1937

Writer of Class Song—1937

Now: Teacher, K-1, Jeffreys Grove Elem. Outstanding contributions in church, local, state, and synod levels.





Jessee Mae Durham
"Squirt"
Co-operative spirit and participation in extra-curricular activities
Now: Director—Passaic Boys Club,
Speer Village Unit

Carl E. DeVane, Ph.D.
1932
Honor Society, Glee Club, Dramatics
Club, Senior Class orator. Favorite teachers—B. Jackson, S. V. Perry, L.
M. Latham, W. S. Inborden.
Now: Professor, Political Science, Un-

D.C.



William F. Dixon
1953
Mrs. Clark's saying "Chick-A-Dee."
Football, singing guard
Now: Budget Analyst for Fairchild
Republic, Farmingdale, N.Y.

iversity of District of Columbia, and American University, Washington,

Now: Budget Analyst for Fairchild Republic, Farmingdale, N.Y.

Weldon Egerton
1943

Now: Public school teacher, Licensed builder and contractor.

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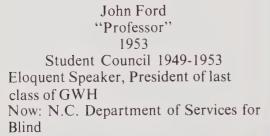
Ruby Fain "Rue" 1943

Humanitarian-Ambassador of Goodwill Bookkeeping and Math Classes Now: Teacher, Civic Worker, Member of Fraternal Organization

Andrew Fellers, Jr.

"Pete"
1943

Musician, Member of Marching Band
Now: Director, C.E.T.A. Jackson,
Georgia



Brooksie Harris Farrar Glee Club, Favorite Subject: English. Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Gertrude Harris Now: N.C. State Board of Health, Raleigh, N.C.

Raymond Fellers
Letter Trade and Auto Mechanic
Favorite teacher: Mrs. Etta Toole
Now: Supervisor-Truck Drivers of
Winn Dixie for 20 years.

William Faulk—Deceased
"Shep"
1946
Football—Baseball
Past: Assistant coach, Shaw University















Not Pictured

Sarah Sewell Faulkner
1953
Majorette
Now: Key Punch Unit Supervisor Data
Center, N.C. Central University,
Durham, N.C.

Rogerline Harrison Gay
"Sister"
1945
Girls League, Camera Club, GSO
Club, Tastefully dressed in latest vogue
Now: Clinic Nurse, Wake Medical

Center Raleigh, N. C.





Dorothy Nicholson Hammond 1942 Girl Reserve Now: Interior Decorator's Assistant

Docenia Hammond 1953 Choral Club, Crown and Scepter Club, Office Assistant Now: Mathematics teacher, Wake County School System.



Theodore Carr 1953 Purcell Smith 1953 James Forbes 1953 Max Gallman 1953 Johnny Hawkins "Hawk" 1945

Hi-Y, Social Science Club, Assistant to Dean of Boys

Now: Coordinator of Model Cities Program, Chicago. B.A., Shaw University—1950 M.A., Roosevelt University—1971 "It is not what he has nor what he does, which directly expresses the worth of man, but what he is."

Dr. Daniel Howard "Dan" 1954

Drama, Basketball, Editor—Echo, 1954 Now: Oral Surgeon, Washington, D.C. Not pictured

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Georgia Henderson Gerald "Sister" 1944

Girl Reserve, Social Sciences, Girls League

Now: Civic Worker—Tonsorial Artist "Barber", Plainville, N.J. Spouse: Willie Budd

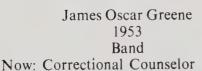
Edward B. Holden "Golden Goose" 1953

Football Team, Basketball Team, Industrial Arts Club

Now: U.S. Postal Service



Not pictured



Henry Haywood 1936 Track

Now: Retired I.B.M.

Not pictured













Willie Catherine Howell High 1945

Glee Club, Soloist, Girl Reserve, Girls League, Mentor Staff, Associate Editor of Echo, Chairman, Publicity Committee-Student Council.

Now: Associate Professor of English Shaw University

Gilbert Allen Hunter "Gib Gilbert" Hi-Y, Band Now: Owner of Hunter's Barber Shop, City Housing Inspector

> Harold E. High 1944

"I do know not how I would be remembered, but two well known statements I shall never forget: 'Harold High, I'm going to throw you out of that window,' and 'I'm going to break your hind leg.' ',

Henry Hall Football Team, YMCA, Hi-Y Now: Little League coach for 28 years. League President for 2 years, Raleigh, N.C.



Debating Team, Spanish Club, Girl Reserve Now: Manager, Department of Floor Covering, S.S. Kresge Co., Raleigh, N. C.

> Gloria Hill "Lo" 1947

Glee Club, Soloist, Girls Glee Club. Now: Teacher, Educable Retarded Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

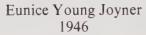
Julia Holt "Blossom" 1938

Glee Club, French Club, Reciting of Prologue to Canterbury Tales Now: Instructor of Cosmetology

> James A. Joyner "Jim" 1943

Football Team, Hi-Y, State Championship Game in 1942 against High Point.

Now: Teacher, Athletic Director, Coach, Wake County Junior High.



Glee Club, Girls Glee Club, Scholacantorum, Soloist, Girl Reserve, Social Science Club.

Now: Kindergarten Teacher, Emma Conn School, Raleigh, N. C., Active Church Worker

Ernest Jones
"Dock"
1943
Football Team

Now: Plasterer

Ulysses Jones "Grant" 1934

Drama Club, Glee Club, Debating Club President of Student Council President of Class of 1934

Class of 1934 held commencement ceremonies in newly erected Memorial Auditorium.

Now: Senior Clerk New York State Department of Labor.

Mollie McDaniels Jones "Hips" 1952

Crown and Scepter Club, Girls League, Cheering Squad, NHA — Girl Scouts. Most versatile and vivacious in graduating class, class secretary or vice president for the four years.

Now: Headstart teacher — Wake Opportunities, Raleigh, N. C.







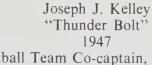












Football Team Co-captain, Glee Club. The vertical kick from the end zone at Hillside High School.

Now: North Carolina Department of Human Resources mailroom.

Janice McIntyre Keyes 1943

Cheerleader, Girl Scouts, Girl Reserve, Typing Club, Office Staff. Having a difficult time passing Miss J. E. Hicks' French Test.

Now: Early Childhood Teacher Grades K-3. Public Schools of North Carolina.





Virginia High Laws 1950

Glee Club, Girl Reserve, Girls League. Now: Caterer and Dining Commons, N. C. State University Faculty Club.

Brunhilda Antonette Lawson Lofton 1946

Girl Reserve, Glee Club, Dramatics Club, Senior Class treasurer, Echo Staff.

Now: Church worker, Civic leader, Humanitarian leader, membership chairman National Alumni Washington High School.

Florina Morgan Moore
Glee Club
Now: Hostess and Cashier N.C. State
Faculty Club

Etta W. Jones McLamb 1945 Glee Club, Girls Reserve, Camera Club Now: Photographer NCSU.

Not Pictured

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Bennie Louis Overton, Jr. "Boo Boo" 1953

The first public protest in 1949 for the ouster of Superintendent of the Public Schools.

Now: Employed with U.S. Post Office for 20 years. Starred in "Fortune Cookie" starring Jack Lemmon.

Leroy Peebles — Deceased
"Shak"
Hi-Y, English Club, Dramatics, Social
Science Club, Math Club, Latin Club,
Brick Mason



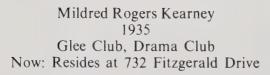


Marjorie Howard Peterson 1953 Basketball, Dancing Now: Telephone operator, Junior Supervisor

Bertha Mae Towns Musgrave 1944 Football games, soloist Now: Peace College



Not pictured



Virginia Sanders Richardson
1943
Cheerleader, Dancing
Now: Assistant Manager,
Bloomingdale Dept. Store, Mt. Vernon,
N.Y.







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Latest Vogue-"Fashion Plate" Now: Machine operator and machinist - Eastman Kodak, Rochester, N.Y.

William Richardson "Winky Boy" 1952

Edward Ratcliff "Muscle Man" 1949

James Richardson "Knute" 1944

Debating Team, Football Bench, was comfortable

Now: Mental Health Technician Dorothea Dix Hospital

> Ernest L. Sanders 1928 Hi-Y Club

Now: Assistant Principal

Inez Freeman Sanders 1946 Glee Club, Cheering Squad, Girl

Scouts, Dramatics, Librarian Assistant, Girls League

> Margie McDaniels Snipes "Marge" 1946

Glee Club, Friendly, Talkative, Popular Now: Cosmetologist, Psychiatric Technician, Wake Medical Center, Raleigh, N. C.

Not pictured

Ollie Killebrew Sanders 1930 Glee Club

Now: Housewife

Minnie Smith 1950 Glee Club, Y Team, Enjoyed football games and Coach Pete Williams Now: Owner of Mom's Inn



Not pictured



Wilbert M. Sanders "Cake" 1938

Glee Club, Track, Football trainer, Spring Carnival.

Now: Postal Employee, News Reporter, Various Civic Organizations, Photography.

William R. Smith Now: Eastern Airlines, Raleigh, N. C.







James and Bessie Mordecai Stroud 1926 New Building, Changing of classes, Cafeteria Hobby: Taking Movies

Mary Morgan Thompson 1953 Y-Teens, Glee Club, New Homemaker of America, Intramural Sports. Now: Special Education Teacher, Wake County Schools.





Shirley Tunstall
"Slew"
1943
Co-operative Spirit
Now: Assistant to Assistant Treasurer
— Council on Foundation, New York,

William Bill Walton 1949 Glee Club, Drum Major Now: Musician — Leader of the Bill Walton Combo



Not pictured





Anna Wright Watson 1942 Softball

Now: Elect. Assembly "A" I T Telecommunication

Wilbert A. Wilder "Pete" 1927 Baseball

Now: Advertising Sales The Carolinian

Ernie Beatrice Winston "Bea" 1950

Singing, Track

Now: Owner, Bea-Hive Breakfast Lunch Nook

> Sylvester Wright "Beck" 1944

Hi-Y, Patrol, Dramatic Club, Varsity Club, "When it came to dancing, he is not on the bench; when it came to language, he really scuffled with French."

Now: Harvard University Real Estate Dept. Professional Staff and Faculty.



Lucy M. Ashe Young
"Lulu"
1950
Glee Club, Softball, Stunts
Now: Wake County Public School
System and Seamstress Raleigh, N.C.



Jean V. Eaton Phillips 1948 Reading, Basketball Now: 1977 Attendance teacher, Cambria Heights, N.Y.



THE 1934 RECORD
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RALEIGH, N.C.



... Queens and Other Memories

1941 Homecoming Events And





Miss Margaret Smith Cooper, Queen 1941

Homecoming Queen — 1943 and 1945









Miss Washington High Miss Ressie Curry

Washington High Queens

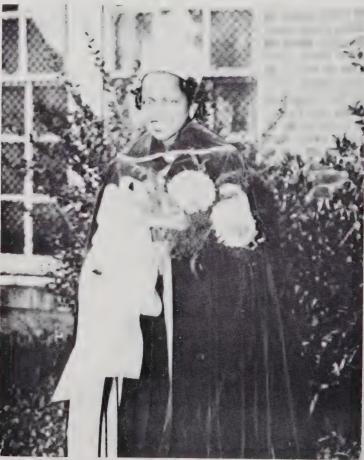
Miss Juanita Freeman Queen, 1948

> Miss Lula Poe Queen, 1949

Miss Sarah Frances Sewell Queen, 1950









Miss Mary E. Williams Queen, 1951 Miss Mildred McKay Queen, 1952

National Alumni Dance—1976

LEFT TO RIGHT STANDING: Brunhilda Jones Lofton, Membership Chairman, Lucy M. Young, Chairman Social Committee and Co-Chairman Publication Committee, Margaret S. Cooper, Social Committee, Docenia Hammond, Ticket Committee, Mary Thompson, Secretary Mary W. Currin, Chairman Decorating Committee, Janie McIntyre Keyes, Founder, Program Coordinator, Lucinda Farrell, Financial Secretary, Della P. Perry, Cofounder, Shirley M. Tunstall, Co-founder, Yvonne H. Pope, Cofounder, Eunice Y. Joyner, Co-founder, KNEELING L TO R: Robert Hodge, Treasurer of Alumni Publication, Raymond Fellers, Vice-President, Henry Hall, Chairman of Local Activities, Joseph J. Kelley, Pres., John Ford, Assistant Program Coordinator.













LEFT TO RIGHT: Della Parker — Co-founder, Shirley Morgan Tunstall, Jannie Keyes — Founder, Yvonne Pope — Co-founder, Eunice Joyner — Co-founder.

Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Sanders





LEFT TO RIGHT: Bending over Janie M. Keyes, Lenord Alston. SITTING: Clarence A. Conner, Henry Syms, Laura Brown, Ernestine J. Lane, Thelma J. Syms, Erma Lee Joyner.

Marlene Sanders Jones and brother enjoying themselves at one of the Alumni Dances.

































Crown and Scepter Club



Glee Club



Safety Patrol

Football

Championship Game

Washington Hi

RAI EIGH, N. C.

VS

Stephens Lee Hi

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WASHINGTON HI

No	. Player
77	Paul Miller
3	Lawrence Lightner
88	Albert Mitchener
9	Earnes Massenburg
5	John Massenburg
0	Melvin McClain
_8	Milton Ellis
32	Henry Hall
22	Alphonso Jones
31	Chester Byrd
52	Elliot Chavis
55	John Morrissey
7	Edward Seawell
6	Oscar Hawkins
51	Henry Haywood
41	Ezekiel Young
66	James Williams
4	Howard Smith
68	Edmund White
21	John Hinton
56	Alvin Donaldson
2	John Lewis

Souvenir Program

1942

Homecoming

WASHINGTON HIGH

RALEIGH, NOPTH CAROLINA

VS.

HILLSIDE HIGH

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

November 13, 1942

Chavis Park

RALEIGH, N. C.

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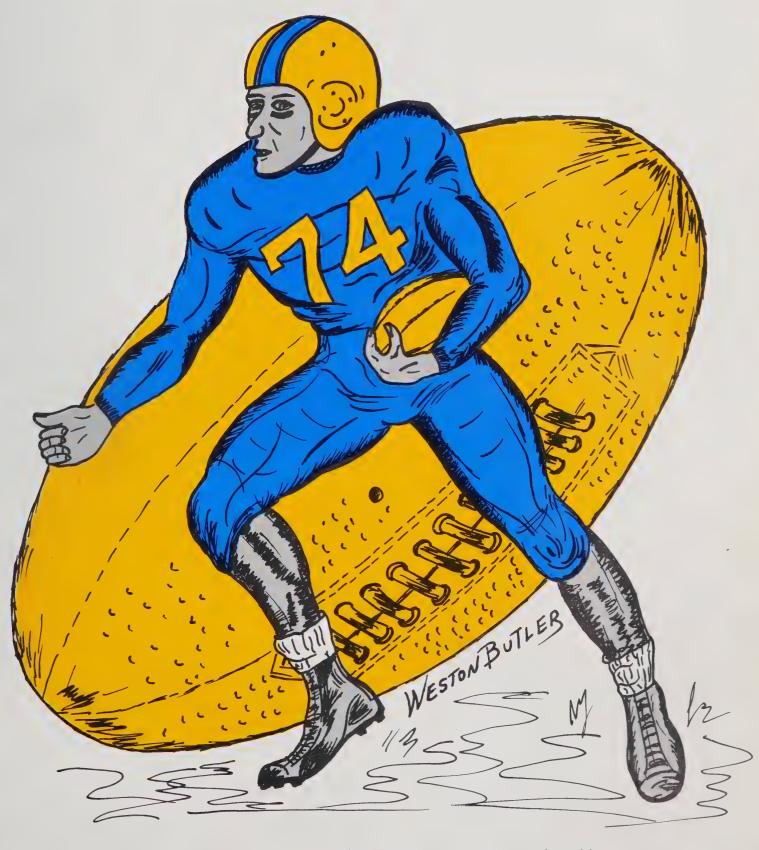
Annual Homecoming Game Program WASHINGTON HIGH VS HILLSIDE HIGH

Friday, November 13, 1942—Chavis Park Raleigh, N. C. Durham, N. C.

WASHINGTON HIGH Pos. No. Wt. ...E - 40 163 Sherwood Jones T 36 George Flagg ... Ren Combo, Co.-Capt. Laurence Whitaker G 38 167 James Joyner T 25 174 James Joyner Christopher Bryant FB 39 John WorthanQB 21 Hubert Poole Leslie Wright Edward Hicks Sylvester Adams . HB 20 143 Edward Haywood T 41 175 FB 23 142 Edward Ellis Collins Whitaker 173 Ollie CrumpG 29 .QB 32 Shepard Faulk James Slade Albert Peterson : Ulysses MilliganHB 34 James Taylor, Jr. 135 William Holloway 147 J. B. Allen, III 145 Harold Worth Pope 157 Hezekih Whitaker Frank Ridley Leroy Farrell Walter Bryce Christopher Debnam Richard Wimberly, IIT Coaches: Washington High

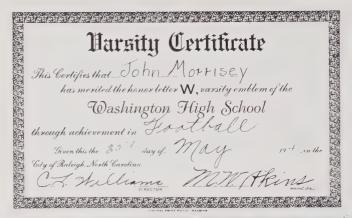
DEDICATION

"Nostalgic Reflections" is dedicated to the "Little Blues" past and present for The Fame, Acclaim, and The Name.



The Fame!
Acclaim!
And The Name

Football





PLAY FOR TITLE — The three coaches and co-captains of the Washington High Little Blues, who play William Penn High of High Point in Fayett-ville Saturday for the Negro high school

championship, talk it over at practive. Pictured, left to right, kneeling, Assistant Coach P. H. Williams, Cu-captains Kelly and Chandler; and standing, Head Coach M. C. Hill and J. H. Baker.



Saint Augustine's College Ruleigis, Worth Carolina

November 16, 1950

Mr. P. H. Williams Washington High School Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Please accept this letter as a congratulatory statement for the fine work that you have done with your football team this year and throughout your coaching career.

I feel that there is no better team to represent the Eastern par of North Carolina than the "Little Blues". I enjoy watching your teaplay, because they execute better fundamentals than any team I have seen in the State.

You have paid the laborious price . May victory be yours on Friday, November 17, 1950.

> Yours in sports, Roy/D. Moore

RDM/tip

Rocky Mount's Tigers

Completely Outclassed
ROCKY MOUNT. N. C. — The
Washington High School Little Blues completely dominated play in defeating Booker T. Washington Tigers 13-0 and thus win their fifth Eastern Conference game. The score is no indication of the performance turned in by the visitors as they registered 11 first downs to Rocky Mount's two, one of which was aided by a penalty.

The visitors took eight plays to score their first touchdwon following a short punt by Rocky Mount, which dropped on their own 31 yard line, in the opening minutes of the initial period. Bear Wilder bucked over from the four-yard stripe. McGuire and Wilder alternated in putting the ball on the four with a pass from Wilder to Lassiter. Wilder hit the line for the extra point.

In the third period Co-cantain William Perry slipped through to block a punt and Pate Jeffers pick-

'Battle Of Washingtons' At Rocky Mount

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.-Elusive running, hard blocking, fast tackling, and superior punting highlighted the "Battle of the Washingtonians" last week when "Big Pete" Williams brought his Capital City charges here to invade Coach E. C. Burnett's Fighting Bookers in their own backyard.

All action was furnished by the visitors, as the locals took a more spectator attitude, even more so than the paid admission.

The invaders played a brand of ball patterned after the United States Marines; they moved in and took over. And before the end of the first quarter they had established a beach head, and the situation was well in hand.

Wilder, hard running back for the Raleigh team, received a 20 pass and scampered within a few feet of the goal line before being brought down from behind. This mattered very little, however, because Wilder went over on the very

next play, standing up. A sweeping end run did the trick for the extra point, From then on it was all Raleigh with the half ending

The final stanza was an almost complete duplicate of the first. with the score being made by a recovered blocked punt and a dash across the goal line. The try for the extra point failed.

An intercepted pass and a twenty yard run by Wallace of the Bookers were the only thrills furnished by the home team for the fans, who went wild at the exhibition; these cheers were soon quieted when Wilder, 'Old Reliable,' dropped back to punt and placed the ball in the coffin corner, two feet from the goal line.

The game ended with Raleigh in front, 13-0

Raleigh Team Chalks Up Fourth Win

Little Blues Prep For Homecoming Game On Friday

RALEIGH, N. C.—A powerful aerial attack featuring Shep Faulk and Sherwood Jones was unleashed here Friday by the Little Biues of Washington High School as they turned back Dillard High School of Goldsboro 14-6.

A 65 yard drive from the opening kickoff with two passes completed by the above combination gave the locals their first score a few minutes after the game started. This was the fourth win for the locals against no defeats.

Again near the end of the second period the Blues traversed 42 yards with two of the Faulk-Jones passes and added the second score.

Shep Faulk annexed both extra points with his ever true dropkicks. On the second he was apparently in all kinds of trouble with a fumbled ball which he picked off the ground and made good the conversion.

On a fumbled punt in the first of the second quarter the Dillards got the ball at mid-field and on the next play Co-Captain Samuel Williams zig-zagged and twisted his way down to pay dirt. They failed to convert.

In a scoreless second half both teams punted often with Shep Faulk having the edge and passes flew in the air frequently. On two successive plays the Blues showed they had another end and his name is also Jones, but this time Ernest "Doc" Jones, who caught two passes from Faulk good for 40 yards. With a first down here the Goldsboro gridders rose to the occasion and two passes and one line play failed and Faulk kicked in the end zone.

The performance of Henderson. Captain Chandler, Cumbo, and June Paige must be reckoned with the combination of Faulk, Jones and Jones, when one considers the best in the Blues lineup.

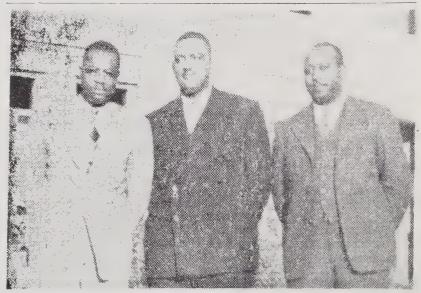
Leroy and Samuel Williams, Emual Daye and Mack Hicks were best for the visitors.

With a record of four victories in as many starts the Little Blues began loking forward last weekend to the homecoming game Friday with the Lions of Booker T. Washington High School, Rocky Mount.



LED CHAMPIONS—Co-Captains Joe Person, left, guard, and Arthur "Squirrel" McGuire, right, halfback, sparked the Washington High School Little Blues of Raleigh to the North Carolina championship. McGuire was sensational in the final game which saw the Blues outclass the Gastonia High School team, 20-0, last Friday.

Cutlines—Raleigh Coaches



COACHED CHAMPIONS—These are the coaches of the Washington High School eleven of Raleigh, N. C. which won the North Carolina championship last week, beating Gastonia, 20-0. They are, left to right,— Merman Hill, assistant; Peter H. Williams, head coach; and James Baker, assistant. The three coaches are all Shaw graduates.

Football Record Since 1940

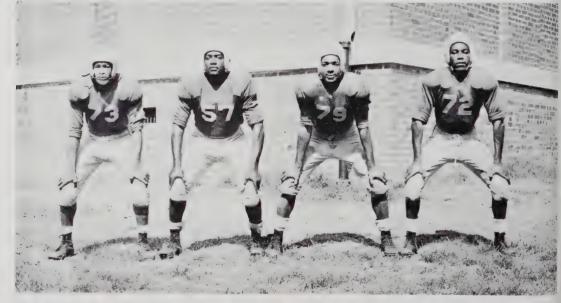
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1941		7	1	0	
1942		8	1	0	State Runner-Up High Point 14-6
1943		5	3	0	
1944		8	0	0	No Championship Awarded
1945		9	1	0	State Champions L.B. 20 Gastonia 0
1946		9	1	0	State Runner-Up Gastonia 7-6
1947		9	0	0	Ineligible: No record of fees paid.
1948		8	1	0	No championship awarded
1949		11	0	0	State Champions L.B. 2 Gastonia 0
1950		9	1	0	State Champions L.B. 14 Salisbury 0
1951		6	I	2	
1952		11	1	0	Co-Champions of Eastern District

THEY WERE STATE CHAMPS Washington Beat Asheville 14 To 6 In North Carolina Finals

Pictured above is the Waspington Negro High School, which brought Rideigh its second North Carolina football champingship of the 1925 season. The local defeated the stephen Lee School of Asheville 14 to 6 to win Hille Dropes. Meading Jett to craft.

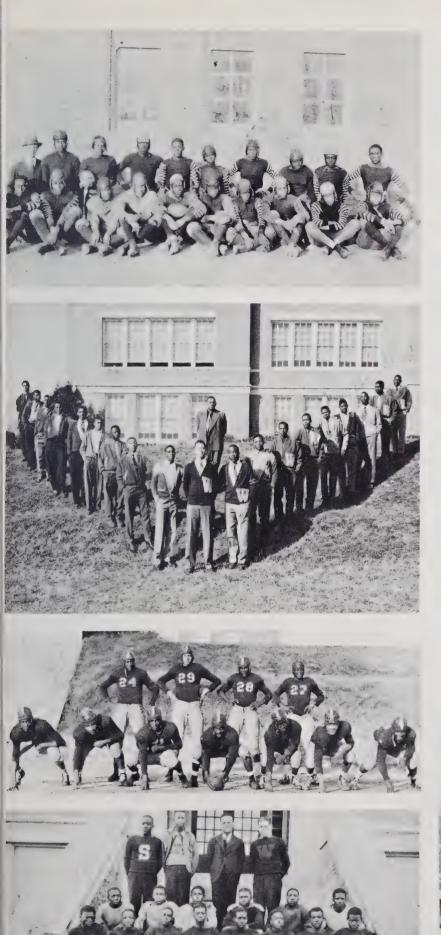
on the front row-A. Jones, 4agl, Miller, Captain Mitchener, 4yed, Hawkins and Ellis, Second Row-Young, Seawell, Donaldson, Hinton, Hownord, White and Williams, Third Row-Lewis, J. Masseniorgy McLain, H. Smith, They's and Morrison, Back Row

Principal M. W. Adkins, Vines rather). Crump (manager), evan (trather), Lighther (traip). Hill (assistant couch) and illiams (head couch). At a rent meeting Hall, star guard is elected to captain the 1936 2m.





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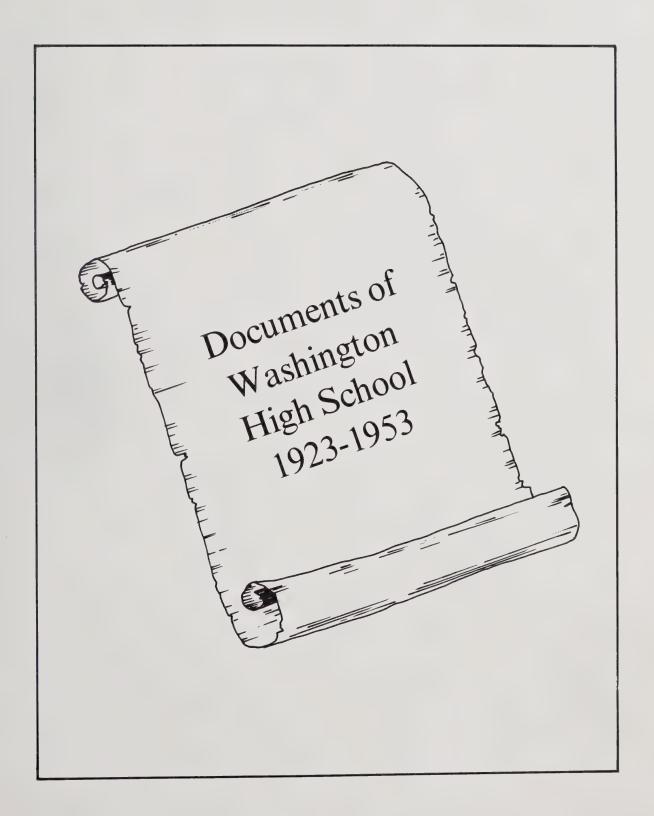
WASHINGTON HIGH FOOTBALL TEAM Co-Captain — "Joe" Person Co-Captain — "Squirrel" McGuire

TOP LEFT — Four Seniors who are leaving by graduation; J. C. Johnson, J. B. Allen, James Taylor, George Greene. TOP CENTER — Coaching Staff — Baker, Williams, Hill. BOTTOM LEFT — Albert Peterson, "Bazil" Butler, James Lassiter, outstanding ends of the season.











REUNION PARTICIPANTS - Members of the Washington High School class of 1950 gathered on the steps of Washington School recently on the occasion of its class reunion after 22 years. (Kneeling L-R) Delores Williams White, Gloria Lester Feimster, Helen Gales Cameron, Rebecca Delaine Goldston, Ora Lassiter Jones, Marlene Sanders Jones and Ellis R. Jones; (Front row L-R) Ola Mae Brodie, Mildred Blount Spencer, Peter H. Williams, Mrs. Virginia K. Newell, and Miss Margaret Bugg (class advisors), Pearl Wilson Smith, Inez Vandergriff Lee, Delois High Bumphus, and Lela Walker Barrow. Others in the picture include William "Goat" Dunston, Yvonne Cooke Turner, Geraldine Burton Phillips, Gloria Thorpe Lockett, Mary Harris Hooker, Nevarro Jeffries, Marvin Thorpe, Jeanette Fields Harris, Jolethia Doe Chalmers, Hubert "Count" Hayes, Owen Ivey, Warren Baldwin, Martha Atkins, Ulysses Jones, Jr., Cardrienne Perrin Griffin, Thomas "Rag Man" Jeffers, Juanita Freeman Grove, Emma Cheek Odim, June Thomas Swindell, Loreece Burwell Basnight, Thomas Williams, Mildred McNeil DeLa Posa, Fabius Tucker, Betty McCray Sanders, John White, Earl "Rip" Richardson, Charles Cameron, Evelyn Moultrie Edwards, Clarence Saulter, Thomas "Stiff" Thorpe, Ruth Manley Shepherd, Sydney Roberts, Maurice Haywood, William Lester and Ronald Debnam. Not pictured, Anne Goode Fulford.

WHO WILL IT BE? - These young ladies pictured above are battling for the title of "Miss South Granville Usher." One of these ladies will be crowned Sunday during the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the South Granville Ushers Union. The young ladies pictured are from left to right, Barbara Allen, Greenfield Baptist Church; Denise Pettiford, Ledge Rock Baptist Church; Elizabeth Worley, Union Chapel Baptist Church; Crystal Lawrence, Hawkins Chapel Baptist Church; Linda Green, Union AME Zion Church; Rosemary Caudle, Rock Spring Baptist Church; Margie Allen, Creedmoor First Baptist Church; and Naomi Wilkerson, Tally Ho Baptist

Church,

In Retrospect:

Washington High School

IN RETROSPECT: WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Washington School was first located on the Southwest corner of South and McDowell Streets. It was a frame building. Classrooms had outside doors. The second floor had a long porch.

Mr. Frank Harper was the first Superintendent that I remember. Mr. John Branch was principal. He died rather suddenly and my father, Joshua Lee Levister, was called to fill the vacancy. He was at the time a teacher at Shaw University.

The School included the first through eighth grades. When Shaw and St. Augustine's enrolled high school students, the City paid tuition fees for such students. Later, Shaw gave notice that the High School department was being cut off gradually. The ninth grade was then added to Washington School.

At this time, it was evident that a site needed to be found for a high school for Negroes. The Fayetteville Street site was finally agreed upon. The building was completed and my father was its first principal. He had done much canvassing during the previous summers to acquaint the parents with the situation.

He worked very hard to enrich the curriculum and to improve the general environment. The first class graduated 1927.

The Class of 1945 dedicated the yearbook to him. The dedication read —
Professor Joshua Lee Levister

To Professor J. L. Levister, disciple of goodwill and cooperation whose untiring efforts and thoughtful advice have inspired as well as directed the lives of boys and girls in the public schools of Raleigh for twenty-seven years, we, the Senior Class of 1945, do dedicate this edition of **The Echo.** May it forever bring back pleasant memories of the Class of 1945.

He was retired at the end of the school year 1945-46.

He passed January 18, 1947. He is remembered best by the young lives he touched and his untiring efforts toward making for a better Raleigh and better interrelationships.

He was respected and loved by all who knew him. He was a Christian gentleman, a lover of children, a devoted husband and father. He left for them a great heritage.

From Mrs. Thomas Professor Levister's Daughter

The Washington High School Raleigh, N. C.

Commencement

May 12, 1938 8:30 P. M.



Raleigh Memorial Auditorium

Candidates for Graduation 1938

GIRLS

Bartley, Julia Margaret Baxter, Margaret Elizabeth Baxter, Margaret Elizabeth
Branch, Elnora Delois
Brimmage, Augusta Thelma
Brown, Laura Johnson
Bryant, Alice Mae
Burgess, Mary Magdalene
Burt, Margaret Thomasina
Cain, Ruth Odessa
Clark, Rosa Mari
Cooke, Jessye Gray
Conner, Dorothy Mary
Council, Mary Elizabeth
Cumbo, Gladys Inez
Debnam, Mary Ellen
Emerson, Nannie Mae
Evans, Gloria Martha
Fisher, Hilda Noisette
Fort, Mildred Luvenia
Fowler, Novia*
Harris, Mildred Katheryn
Harris, Virginia Oneal
Haywood, Lillian Virginia
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Haywood, Lillian Virginia
Herndon, Willie Berthell
Hicks, Lanie Elizabeth
Hunter, Eleanor Ruth
Johnson, Louize Frances
Johnson, Zimmie Bernard
Jones, Dorothy Elizabeth
Jones, Sadie Amelia

*1937 Summer School Graduates Branch, Elnora Delois

•1937 Summer School Graduates

_Williamson, Randolph, Jr.

GIRLS

Jones, Rebecca Eileen
Laws, Ernestine Elizabeth
Leake, Josephine Hinson
Lillie, Dorothy Lee Frances
Malone, Marian Meterine
Marrow, Evelyn Johnson
Maye, Ethel Gwendolyn
Mial, Margaret Maria
Will Televine Morgan, Helen Anna
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Perry, Sadie Pearl
Peterson, Edna
Powell, Catherine*
Rutherford, Eartha
Scott, Mary Agnes
Shepard, Martha Nancy
Smith, Ruby Mae
Sturdivant, Dorothy Mae
Thompson, Cora Elizabeth
Thorpe, Constance Mae
Thorpe, Pauline*
Walker, Carrie Delores
Whiting, Mary Catherine
Wilder, Ruby Alyce
Williams, Elia Mae
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Villiams, Marjorie Rose
Yarborough, Beatrice
York, Fannie Bernice
Young, Esther Evelyn
Young, Muriel Antionette Young, Esther Evelyn Young, Muriel Antionette

Alston, James Otis
Andrews, Henry David
Bason, Samuel Pinkley, Jr.
Cannady, Nathan Floyd
Chavis, John Henry
Constant, Leon Raymond
Curtis, Charles
DeLaine, Wilbert Herman
Delaine, Wilbert Herman
Delaine, Jemuel Thackara, Jr.
Evans, James Berry, Jr.
Gambrell, Cornelius Richard, Jr.
Hall, Henry Luther
Hall, William Henry, Jr.
Haywood, Vernon Vincente
Lightner, Clarence Everett
Lucas, Charles Sylvester, Jr.
Martin, Alfred Alexander, Jr.
Moore, John Freeman, Jr.
Williams, Randolph, Jr.
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Graduation Exercises May 12, 1938 - 8:30 P. M.

Program

"Overture" Barnhouse
Processional: "Priests' March" Mendelssohn
NECRO NATIONAL HYMN Johnson (Audience Standing)
INVOCATION Rev. W. S. McLeod
SELECTION: "The Trysting Place" Brahms Glee Club
SALUTATORY ADDRESS Richard Gambrell (President of Senior Class)
SELECTION: "Will O' the Wisp" Spross
Address to Graduating Class Dr. Charles H. Wesley (Acting Dean of Graduate School, Howard University)
Selection: "Serenade" Schubert Cornet Duet
PRIZES AND AWARDS:
Zeta Phi Beta Award Miss Josephine Thomas
Announcement of the E. A. Johnson Scholarship
Awarding of Diplomas Mayor George A. Isely
Benediction
Recessional M. W. Akins. Principal. C. F. Gaddy, Superintendent.

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

(National Negro Hymn)

Till earth and heaven ring, Ring with the harmonies of liberty, Let our rejoicing rise High as the list'ning skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, Sing a song full of the hopes that the present has brought us; Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chast'ning rod, Felt in the days when hope unborn had $\ensuremath{\operatorname{died}}$; Yet with a steady beat Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered. We have come, treading our path thro' the blood of the shaughtered, Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou hast brought us thus far on our way, Thou who hast by Thy might Led us into the light, Keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee, Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee, Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand. True to our God, True to our native land

State of North Carolina Superintendent of Public Instruction Kaleigh

November 30, 1927.

To Principals of Accredited High Schools:

Subject - Crown and Scepter Clubs.

My dear Co-worker:

I do not know the Faculty advisor to your Crown and Scepter Club so I am addressing this letter to you, asking that you get it into the hands of the proper person.

The Crown and Scepter Club is preminently an honorary, scholarship organization and the Spirit of the Club must never be lost - i.e. its members are chosen by their fellow students because they excel in scholarship, character, and service to the school.

Copies of the Constitution and of the ritual for the installation service will be sent to you from my office upon request. Copies of the gold certificates for "Gold" graduates may be secured at small price from Dr. C. C. Shaw, Mary Potter School, Oxford, N. C. When possible the Club should present the gold pins to the "Gold" graduates. There will usually not be so very many. These gold pins and "Gold Certificates" should be presented at the commencement exercises.

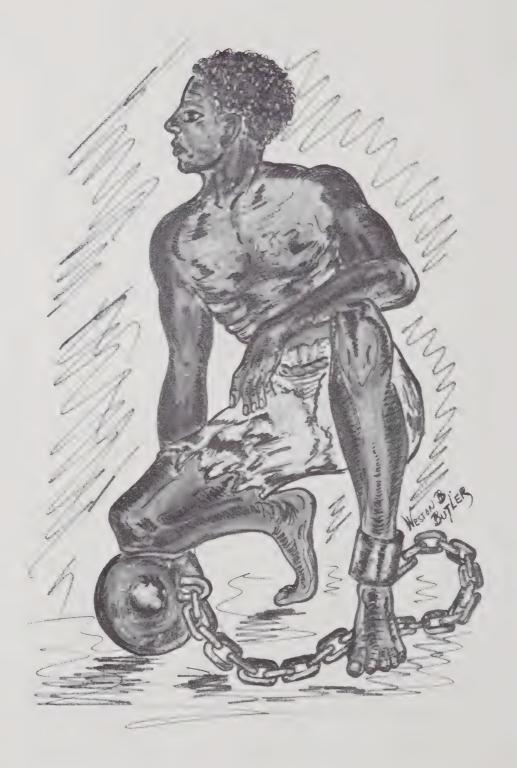
The official jeweler to the Crown and Scepter Clubs is
The Eagle Regalia Company, 115 Nassau St., New York City. This arrangement was made for us by Mr. J. A. Tarpley, Principal of the Washington
St. High School, Greensboro. The Eagle Regalia Company has agreed to
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silver pin at 90¢ each net; and the 25 year gold filled pin at \$1.00
each net. These prices will be continued to us another year provided
a sufficient number of pins are purchased to justify the low price.

Get your Club to work and see that the members have pins. (The silver pin for regular members and the gold pin for "Gold Graduates") I shall be glad to know how the Clubs are progressing and what projects they set for themselves this year. Let me know so that I can let the other Clubs know. Will you kindly have your faculty advisor send in the inclosed questionnaire to my office.

JAR.D

Enc. Questionnaire

W. A. Robinson Supervisor Negro High Schools.



Memories, may be beautiful, and yet what's too painful to remember we simply choose to forget —.

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J.A. ROWLAND
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WAKE COUNTY, N.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

I, Thad Eure, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the following and hereto attached (3 sheets) to be a true copy of

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OF

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and the probates thereon, the original of which was filed in this office on the 11th day of february 1975, after having been found to conform to law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

Done in Office, at Raleigh, this 11th day
of FEBRUARY in the year of our Lord 19 75



By Deputy Secretary of State



Mr. J. W. Yeargin

The first P.T.A. organization of Washington High School undertook the project of beautifying the grounds of the new school by changing the steep sloping hill on which the school was built into tierred levels and also by providing side-walks from the building to the street below.

Mr. J. W. Yeargin, the first president of the newly formed organization personally assisted in supervising the terracing of the grounds and donated the sand and gravel from his own back yard for the construction of cement side-walks and steps of these tiers.

Washington High School became an admired tour site by visitors to the city who witnessed that its exterior was not only one of beauty but that is was located on the famous Fayetteville Street, the hub of the business district of the city, which faced the Southern entrance to our State Capitol and which was one of the 4 highways leading from the Capitol to the historic sites of Hillsboro—West, New Burn—East, Hallifax—North and Fayetteville—South.

... by Effie M. Yeargin July, 1976

Washington High School Raleigh, North Carolina May 12, 1938

To The Boys of the Class of 1938,

Tonight marks the eleventh graduation of the Washington High School, and I am very happy to greet and congratulate you on this eleventh anniversary. I greet you also as son of the school, and on behalf of the sons of that famous class of 1927, and all the classes that follow, I extend to you a most cordial welcome into the order known as the sons of Washington High School.

During the time which you have spent here at our school, I trust that you have caught sight of a vision — a vision of life that beckons you on to new tasks, and new avenues of service. Certainly there will be new tasks to face, and new avenues on which you must tread.

May I suggest that as you face these new tasks and as you walk down the new avenues of life, ever keep before you the sincere teachings at the Washington High School. Let your life be always guided by two words — Character and Scholarship, and with your eyes turned toward the rising sun, take your place in life wherever the Great Stage Manager of this Universe places you.

My concluding words to you on the night of your graduation are the words of the famous poet, Edwin Markman — And I quote:

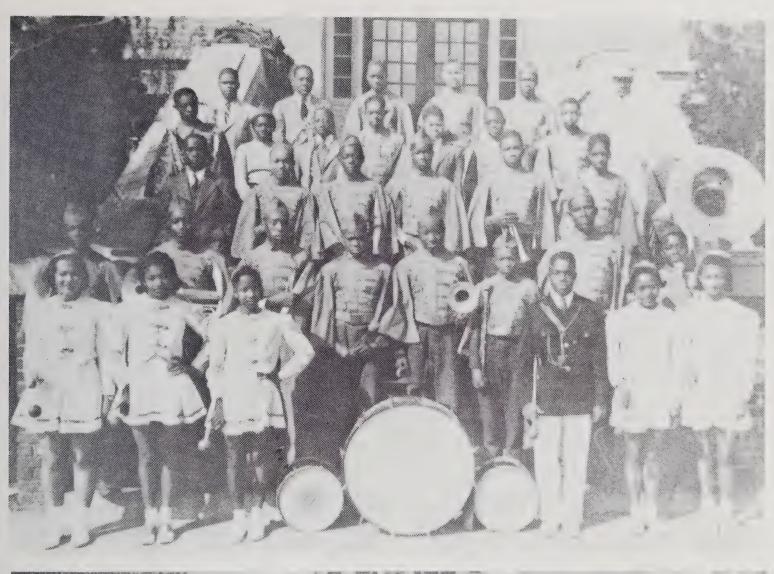
"To each one is given a marble to carve, for the wall, A stone that is needed to heighten the beauty of all; And only his soul has the magic to give it grace; And only his hands have the cunning to put it in place.

"Yes, that task that is given to each one, no other can do; So the errand is waiting; it has waited through ages for you. And now you appear; and the hushed ones are turning their gaze To see what you do with your chance in the chamber of days."

I wish you much success, and if there is anything we can do to help you, we shall be pleased to do so.

Sincerely, yours,

Henry T. Johnson Dean of Boys









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