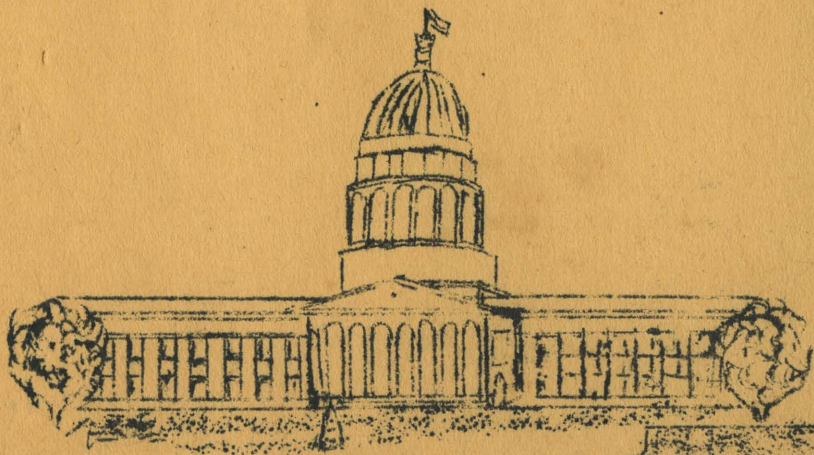


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I RESOLVE ANEW!

I am an American. There are only about one hundred and thirty million people in all the world who have the privilege of making that statement. We know that more natural resources are found in our country than in any other country in the world. We know that we have more industrial plants than other countries. Our soldiers are the bravest and best fighters any land can produce. They are also the best equipped. From all standpoints of war our country is far ahead of any other country. We can rest assured on this point.

Our American way of life is one that is envied us by even our enemies. Here we have freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of religion. We are not forced by military power to work in war production plants. We work here because we wish to do so, because we have faith in America.

America is not merely a nation abounding in materials of war, but America is a nation with a soul and a spirit. It is the spirit that was planted here

by our forefathers - the spirit that carried Washington and his soldiers through the terrible winter at Valley Forge. The confidence and faith that began with the signing of the Declaration of Independence have lasted until this day. The faith and firm belief of Abraham Lincoln in democracy is not dead. It is more alive today than it has ever been before. Why shouldn't it be? We have proved to the world that after all, a democracy is the best form of government. It is a government founded on that spirit that, in the face of almost certain death, makes the men in Hitler-dominated France dare to stand up and tell the truth to an unconquered world. Our faith in our country and ourselves lives on.

With unflinching determination and courage, let each of us resolve anew that, with a firm belief in the essential rightness of things, our government "of the people, for the people, and by the people" shall never be abolished.

WHO SACRIFICES WHAT?

In recent days people have been asked to make changes in their way of life that may mean certain adjustments, and perhaps, limited sacrifices. We have been forced by the very absence of rubber supplies to drive our cars less. Due to the effective use of "rattle snake" submarine tactics of our enemies, we are unable to get regular supplies of gas. Soon we will be able to obtain gasoline and sugar only by ration cards. Our government is asking us to eliminate waste from our (Cont'd on page 8)

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The Junior Class is honoring the Senior Class of 21 members at a banquet on Saturday evening, March 28, at the cafeteria.

Decorations will be in the class colors of red, white, and blue.

Juniors and Seniors will have charge of the program as no after dinner speaker has been engaged. After the banquet they will see "Babes on Broadway", co-starring Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney.

The Juniors always take great pride in planning and giving a banquet for the Seniors and this occasion is looked forward to with the greatest anticipation.

P.T.A. MEETS

The P.T.A. held the last meeting in February with a very good attendance. The program centered around Founder's Day and a playlet was given commemorating it. This playlet, "As Told By Candles", used the birthday cake with its single candle from which other candles were lighted, representing the spirit of P.T.A., Good Health, Good Homes, Equalized Education, Conservation of Human Values and Natural Resources, Vocational Adjustment, Constructive Leisure Time Activities, Civic Responsibility, and Active Spiritual Faith.

Mrs. C.G. Robertson sang "A Tribute".

A contest was held at the recreational hour. Two ladies and two gentlemen were asked to direct the audience in singing "We're All Americans". Those directing were Mrs. Spencer Marshall, Mrs. Davis Bunker, Mr. E.M. Stone, and Mr. John Key. Mr. Key won the prize, a Defense Stamp. Attendance prizes went to Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Badgett, and Mr. Killinger.

A silver offering was taken for Founder's Fund, which was sent to our state chairman.

At the social hour the birthday cake was cut and served with coffee.

OUR SCHOOL FIGHTS

Right now Uncle Sam needs men, money, and courage more than ever in the history of our nation. We aren't grown men yet in our school, and we don't have a great deal of money, but we do have courage and an earnest desire to help our armed forces make our country one in which the American way of living will never be destroyed by Hitler and his "copy cats".

We are doing our part in a number of ways.

Our Scouts have collected more than two tons of waste paper, our F.F.A. boys are collecting scrap metal, and the grades in the school have bought a total of \$521.13 in Defense Bonds and Stamps as follows:

Mrs. Fleming's first grade	\$5.90
Mrs. Chilton's first grade	\$19.60
Mrs. Taylor's second grade	\$60.45
Miss Pell's 2nd and 3rd grade	\$7.40
Mrs. Badgett's third grade	\$55.95
Mrs. Cooke's fourth grade	\$43.40
Mrs. Lawrence's fifth grade	\$20.05
Mrs. Killinger's 6th grade	\$79.25
Mrs. McFarland's 7th grade	\$4.30
Miss Wagoner's 8th grade	\$57.00
Mr. Killinger's 9th grade	\$32.68
Mrs. Patterson's 10th grade	\$25.00
Mrs. Kirkman's 11th grade	\$91.40
The school	\$18.75
Total	\$521.13

FIRST AID COURSE

A Red Cross course in First Aid will be given at White Plains School beginning on Monday night, April 7. Adult people in the community are urged to take the course. We may have opportunity to put it into practice soon.

The world's best seller today is the First Aid Handbook of the American Red Cross. The war is the reason. Since Pearl Harbor this book has sold over 9,000,000 copies.

STRING BEANS VISITS W.P.H.S.

String Beans and his Kentucky Wonders were sponsored by the White Plains High School at White Plains on Saturday night, March 21, 1942. There was a larger crowd here than was expected, since it was raining. The program, composed of songs, dancing, and jokes, was enjoyed very much.

JUNIORS ORDER RINGS

Great excitement prevailed last week when the premiums given by Herff-Jones to the juniors with their ring order arrived. Rings for the class of '43 have been selected and the order given to Mr. Paddison. The rings are scheduled to arrive about the first of October.

SENIORS BEGIN WORK ON PLAY

During a certain period each day weird screams, ghostly music, and loud shots proceed from the stage, where the seniors are beginning work on their commencement play, a three-act mystery-comedy entitled "The Valley of Ghosts".

The setting is a lonely house where weird lights glimmer, a locked organ plays, strangling hands snatch from the shadows, and four scared negroes keep turning the terror sunny-side-up.

The members of the cast, hard at work on their parts, are Peggy Taylor, Lala Tickle, Irene Seal, Hattie Holyfield, Ila Belle Jones, Catherine Venable, J. C. Smith, Coy Bruner, Wayne Simmons, Leo Wilson, Billy Venable, and Louise McHone.

FORECAST OF THINGS TO COME

1. Vaccinations- March 30, April 7, 13, 20.
2. First Aid Course-April 7-16
3. Sauline Players- April 8
4. Commencement-. May 1-5
5. VICTORY---When we win it. - probably 1943.

DEFENSE CLASSES CONTINUE

Under the supervision of the vocational agriculture department, four defense classes, in which fifty-four boys and young men have had intensive training in metal working, have just completed. The courses included work in auto mechanics and electric and acetylene welding. They were held in Fowler's garage in Mt. Airy with skilled workers acting as instructors.

Another class, in electrical work, will begin next week at White Plains. There is no charge for the course, and young men between the ages of 18 and 27 are urged to attend.

WORK PROGRESSES ON LUNCHROOM

The loud thumping, bumping, and knocking that proceed from under the northeast corner of the building might lead one to believe that a violent earthquake is in progress. It's the sweetest music to the ears of anyone connected with White Plains School, because it means that next year the lunch room workers will not have to include a study of agriculture, the agriculture boys will have just half as much chance to go astray between periods, Mrs. Patterson will not have to season her home economics foods with printer's ink and French, and that the librarian will not have to compete with everybody in school for the use of the library shelves. It means that the long-dreamed-of and prayed-for cafeteria and home economics building is taking shape and rapidly nearing completion.

PROFESSIONAL MEETING HELD

The monthly professional meeting of the White Plains teachers was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Louie Patterson, with Mrs. Ralph Cooke as co-hostess.

The subject of fine arts was discussed in (Cont'd on page 9)

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SENIOR SUPERLATIVES SELECTED

Since the prevailing custom among seniors is to select their superlatives, the members of our class met last week and selected from their ranks those who are outstanding in various roles, as follows: Melvin Atkins, most handsome boy; Irene Seal, prettiest girl; Ila Belle Jones, neatest girl; J.C. Smith, neatest boy; Carl Atkins, quietest boy; Lois Watson, quietest girl; Howard Hooker, biggest flirt, boy; Peggy Taylor, biggest flirt, girl; Howard Hooker, biggest talker, boy; Irene Seal, biggest talker, girl; Coy Bruner and Carl Atkins, tied for most polite boy; Lois Watson, most polite girl; Wayne Simmons, wittiest boy; Catharine Venable, wittiest girl; Wayne Simmons, cutest boy; Peggy Taylor, cutest girl; J.C. Smith, boy most likely to succeed; Peggy Taylor, girl most likely to succeed; J.C. Smith, best all around boy; Peggy Taylor, best all around girl; Billy Venable, most athletic boy; Lala Tickle, most athletic girl; J.C. Smith, most popular boy; and Lala Tickle, most popular girl.

WHITE PLAINS SCHOOL ENTERTAINS COUNTY GROUP

Clyde Forrest, principal of Dobson high school, was elected president of the Surry County Teachers' Association, in a session held at White Plains last Friday afternoon. He succeeds H.S. Broome, retiring president.

Other officers elected are M. H. Shore, vice-president, and Miss Nora Binder of Mountain Park, secretary.

Addresses were made by County Supt. John W. Comer, Farm Agent A.P. Cobb, and others, each stressing the subject he is handling and its relation to the war effort.

Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the sessions by the White Plains faculty.

WE HONOR THIS MONTH....

HATTIE HOLYFIELD

"Where's Hattie?" and "Hattie, will you type this for me?" The above are just samples of what can be heard any day in the week. If it's typing that needs to be done, the library that needs to be straightened, or announcements that need to be made, it's Hattie that we look for. With all this, she manages to be one of the best students in high school. She has a friendly word for everyone, and has never been known to be "down in the dumps". Her favorite role is an impersonation of "Minnie Pearl" in the "Grand Ole Opry".

J. C. SMITH

He refused to type this himself, and since he is the paper typist, blame someone else for any mistakes found. The very modesty that caused the refusal is the greatest reason that his classmates elected him their most popular boy. Incidentally, he was also selected neatest boy, and that one most likely to succeed.

J.C. does not have a great deal to say, but what he says is usually worth hearing. He is quiet and unassuming, but always willing to do well any task assigned to him. His grades during his four years in high school have been among the highest. His position as editor-in-chief of the paper he has filled so well this year that we wonder what we'll do without him next year. In fact, his place in everything is going to be difficult to fill.

The president cited the prayer of a Chinese Christian: "Lord, reform Thy world, beginning with me". There could be few more useful prayers for each of us to keep as a guiding rule in the present crisis.

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MRS. FLEMMING'S
FIRST GRADE NEWS

We are glad to be back in school after being out because of the heavy snow. We are sorry that so many are still out sick.

We are beginning to study a major unit of birds. We have ordered bird pictures from Church Dwight Company, and we are expecting them very soon.

A large number of children have read as many as three library books and we are expecting to read many more.

MRS. TAYLOR'S
SECOND GRADE NEWS

The most important news in the second grade for this month is our record in helping our country by buying Defense Stamps and Bonds. We have a total of \$59.95.

MRS. CHILTON'S
FIRST GRADE NEWS

The children in grade 1-A are enjoying these beautiful spring days after having so much cold snowy weather.

Several of our pupils who have been absent on account of whooping cough, mumps, and colds, are back at school. We are happy for them to be back and hope that no one will have to be absent for the last six weeks.

Last week was "Clean-up Week" at school. We have our room in good condition and hope to keep it that way with every pupil cooperating.

MISS PELL'S SECOND
& THIRD GRADE NEWS

The pupils in the second and third grade room are still buying Postal Savings Stamps. Some of them are bringing ten cents each week for this purpose.

We have two new pupils in our room who came from Franklin. They are Lawrence Doss, in the

second grade, and Lester Doss, in the third grade.

MRS. COOKE'S
FOURTH GRADE NEWS

We are finishing a unit of work on Holland.

During the past few weeks we have been enjoying our industrial art. We have a few mashed fingers and broken saws, but we've had fun along with getting them.

MRS. McFARLAND'S
SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

The following pupils have had perfect attendance the sixth month: Jonelle Atkins, Bettie Jo Brintle, Tommy Lou Hodges, Henry Lawrence, Bobby Mauldin, Curtis Marion, Bruce York, and James Spencer.

Audrey Ferguson and Ruby Slate have moved from our district and Louise Duggins has joined the class. Our enrollment is now 31.

L.T.L. TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The Loyal Temperance Legion will present two medal contests next week in the school auditorium. The first will be at 11:00 Thursday morning, April 2, and the second program will be on Friday, April 3, at 11:00 o'clock.

Parents are invited to attend.

SENIORS ELECT MASCOTS

At a class meeting on Wednesday, the seniors elected as their mascots little Janice Kidd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kidd, and Gordon Kirkman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C.G. Kirkman.

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living habits. As a Boy Scout put it recently, "We are asked to eat our garbage rather than dump it." Too, we are expected to grow Victory gardens and to increase the production of food and feed crops. We are expected to buy Defense Bonds and Stamps.

Most Americans are willing and glad to make these contributions to the war effort. They are just the little things that we as citizens can do to help. However, there is occasionally some one who complains that we are being asked to sacrifice too much. Sacrifice? What do they mean by sacrifice? We are simply being slightly inconvenienced. We still have all the things that are necessary to healthful living. Would the heroes of Bataan think it a sacrifice to be allowed to come home and do the things we are asked to do? To be permitted such freedom and such luxuries as we still enjoy would be comparable to leaving Hell and coming to Heaven. Does any one of us believe MacArthur's heroes would complain of a weekly allowance of a half pound of sugar? If they were back in good old North Carolina, would they grumble at being asked to work long hours? What is the work day in Bataan? Eight hours, 10 hours, 20 hours? What sleep do they get? What sleep is satisfactory when one is enduring constant shelling, bombing, or machine gunning?

Then there are the men who man the ships and the submarines. Do they expect to get the forty-hour week? Are they not on constant watch? Do they get nights of uninterrupted sleep? Do they complain of the high cost of living? How much wages do they get? Compare theirs with ours. Consider the hazards they are exposed to. Let us all think, consider, and compare. Then let us in shame, for our lack of sacrifice and in honor to those who are really making sacrifices, go about our work with a determination to do our

jobs better, to work longer and harder, and to complain not at all.

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGINS

With basketball season dying away, we hear faintly the call, "Play ball". This means baseball season is close at hand.

With a boys' team as green as a young cabbage leaf, Coach Killinger had a fairly successful basketball season. With five regulars and one sub lost, Mr. Killinger's team surprised everyone, including the members themselves, with a fast start, defeating Franklin, runners-up in the Y. V. C. at Elkin. But hard luck and inexperience in the clutches lost many games for the boys by extra period and one-point scores. The record was 6 won, 10 lost.

The girls, after getting a slow start, were giving opposing teams a headache, and coming around when they lost their star player for the rest of the year. Before recovering from the loss, the girls completed a season in which they were at least consistent, losing every game.

Baseball at White Plains still prevails, and Coach Killinger will get games with other teams if they are interested. Of a team that won two and lost three last year, we have lost Wade Koy, Ed Mabe, and Lewis Comer, infielders; James Hooker and Buck Allred, outfielders; and Gilbert Draughon, pitcher. We have Wayne Simmons, Calvin Hall, Murray Draughon, Haywood York, and Gene Koye from last year's team, with "Catfish" Johnson, Evert Quesinbery, Porter Lane, Avert Quesinbery, J. M. Watson, Junior Slaydon, Lewis McHone, Wayne Draughon, Bill Venable, and Carl and Melvin Atkins as candidates for other positions.

The girls are also changing their athletics. They are now playing softball. With interest high, most girls in high school are participating.

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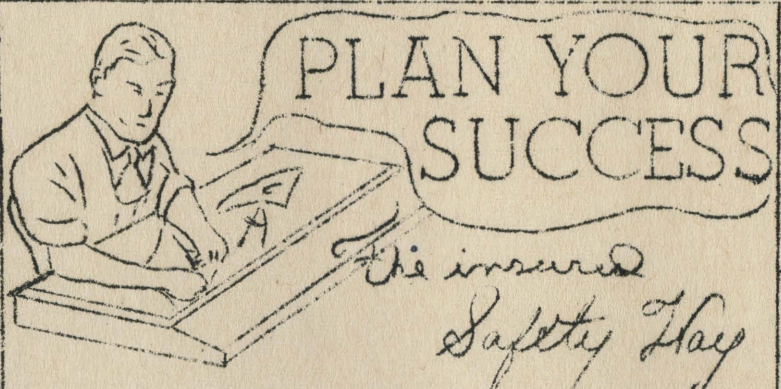
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(Professional Meeting, cont'd) a very interesting manner by Mrs. Chilton, Mrs. Fleming, and Miss Moore. Quotations relative to music and the war were read. A contest was held, after which delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.



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JOKES

Bobby sat at his desk and stared into space. The study room teacher came up and asked, "Can't you find some work to do, Bobby?" "Gee whiz, Miss Wagoner," grumbled Bobby, "Do I have to find work and do it, too?"

Why Not?

Mr. Broome: "What is the plural of solo? You may answer, Lala." Lala: "Duet."

CORRECT

Miss Pell: "Billy, you must not say, 'He ain't going.' You must say, 'He isn't going, she isn't going, they aren't going and we aren't going'". Billy V: "Gee, teacher, ain't nobody going?"