

# Literary gem given FSHS school library

• Thanks to a former student, an FSHS teacher, and the History Book Club, FSHS students now have access to one of the most unusual and interesting histories of the first English colony in the United States.

When Bill Keltner, student body president during the last semester last year, won third place in the national Thomas



McAn Success Awards Contest with a 300-word essay on "What Success Means To Me", he not only won \$250 for himself, but won for the school a set of 16 History Book Club selections.

ONE OF THESE IS a facsimile of the 1588 edition of *Virginia* by Thomas Hariot. Hariot was one of the original members of Raleigh's Roanoke expedition. He returned to England on the first boat to write this book, thus escaping the mysterious fate of the colonies left in Virginia.

This book is the first book in English about Virginia and is considered a foundation stone of American history, as well as the collector's gem.

BILL'S ESSAY was sponsored by Miss Wilma Jimerson, English and Spanish instructor.

## After nine days absence strict rule takes over

• "What's this about the nine-day absences?" you may be asking yourself. Most students do not seem to understand fully the circumstances behind this new recommendation.

At a meeting of the faculty last spring the following recommendations were made, subject to the approval of the school board:

THE MAXIMUM ABSENCE from any class with the possibility of a passing grade in that class is nine absences during a nine weeks period, 15 absences during a semester, or 30 days the entire school year. If a student's absences exceed that number, he is automatically given an "F" mark. His only recourse is to ask that a conference be held at which he, one of his parents or a guardian, his teachers and a school administrator will be present.

This committee can suggest an exception to the above regulation. If they do not consider the absence justified, the "F" mark remains.

THIS DOES NOT MEAN, for example, that a student who undergoes a major operation and is consequently absent from school 9 days in a nine weeks period cannot pass. It is simply a measure to eliminate the unnecessary absences of chronic "skippers", according to R. Earl Farnsworth, principal. "In the event of prolonged illness or similar absence, the affected pupil will certainly be given the opportunity of making up his work and receiving a passing mark," Mr. Farnsworth said.

### To explain

## Rising expenses catch Grizzly too

• Well, the enrollment isn't the only thing that's gone up!

Just as almost everything connected with everyday living has gone up, so has the cost of paper and ink and the expense of printing. That is the case with *The Grizzly*. Consequently, both the print shop and the editorial staff found that they are unable to meet their expenses in putting out a newspaper for you, the student body. Therefore, we feel it is necessary to raise the price of the paper to 10 cents an issue or \$1 a year.

WE HOPE that this will not keep you from buying the paper and reading it. After all, the paper is for you, put out for you to read and enjoy. In hopes that you will continue to buy the official school publication, we will make a concentrated effort to keep the quality high and put what you want in the paper. C. G.

# It happens every day

*you just missed it*

by Louise Turner

• School is bustin' out all over! As MARILYN BARR says, "Our wallets are busted, too." It's getting to where a person doesn't have a Wheaties box top to call his own.

Oh well, to get on pleasanter subjects, (and pretty ones, too) everyone seems well satisfied with the choice of CHEERLEADERS. One thing for certain—besides being pretty, these gals have P E P.

Last nomination for BARBER BUTCHERY: that crew-cut, tailor made for the weaker sex. One student, who for reasons of self-preservation prefers to remain anonymous, describing the hair-

cut, said, "It looks like it's been loosed up with a lawnmower."

SHARON HUNDLEY, after a few dancing lessons: "So far I've learned the artistic way to step on my partner's toes and that it takes 'two to tango'."

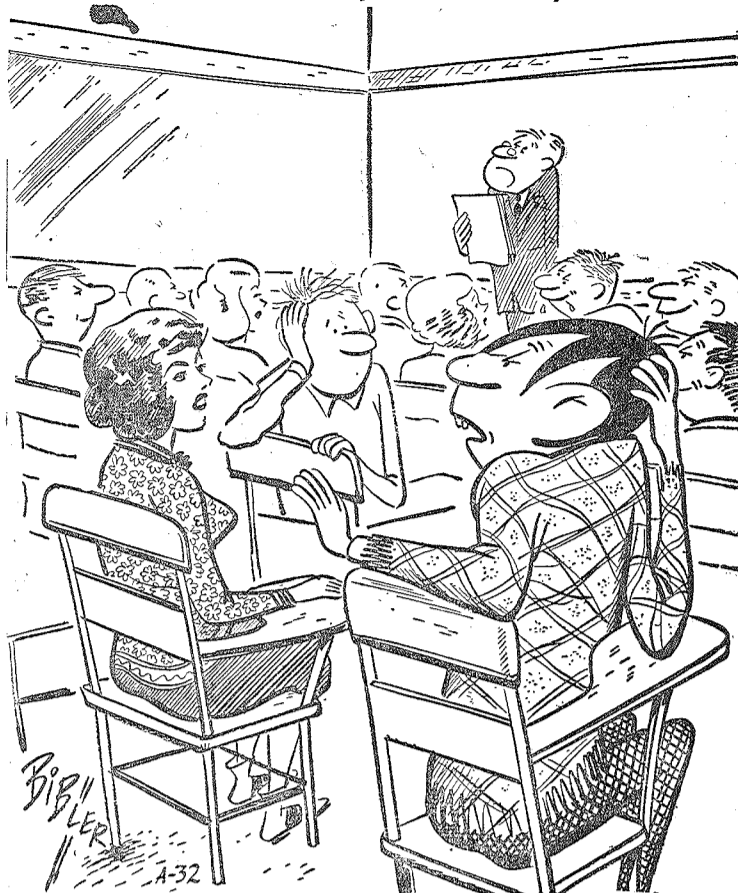
According to ARTHUR PORTER: "My students were suspicious of me from the word 'go'. Just because I teach geometry, they think I wrote the text-book, too." Hmmm. So maybe it's not only the geometry students who have a rough time.

And we quote DOROTHY PUTNAM:

Moe: What happened when the tack was placed on the ban-

## Little man on the campus

by Dick Bibler



"Aww, this course ain't so rough—I never cracked a book in it last year."

## Standing room only; enrollment is all-time high with 559 sophs

• Up and up it goes, and where it stops, nobody knows. So goes the enrollment in FSHS for another year.

As compared with a total enrollment of 1350 students last year, this year's figure 1489, is already an increase of over a hundred.

The sophomore class of last year and the sophomore class of this year are almost equal in number. The junior class now numbers 514, although at a high of 576 a year ago. The sophomore class contains 559 students.

SENIORS this year outnumber the class of last year by over a hundred students with 416 en-

rolled. Last year 293 seniors graduated.

This wave of increased enrollment did not bring the changes in the school day that last year's did. There are no staggered hours and club schedules. This is because of the added classroom space in the stadium where the band formerly practiced and the two rooms in the Veterans Office building.

"AN INTERESTING THING happened regarding enrollment," R. Earl Farnsworth, principal, said. "Last June when I was speaking to the school board about our enrollment, I stated that we expected 1469 students to enroll. On the first day of school we had 1429 students register, and then later in the day 40 more enrolled, making the total 1469. Now we have standing room only in senior high. We have utilized every inch of space we could."

## Poetry

by Louise Turner

O, autumn leaves of gold and brown,  
I saw you come fluttering down  
a lonesome city street.

And as you came hurrying,  
scurrying by, the wind which  
bore you on caressed my cheek  
and whispered in my ear of  
faraway places so rare.

It whispered in my ear of  
faraway Siam, autumn in Paris,  
and the burning desert sands.

And while I dreamed of all  
these, and more, my practical  
mind said, "You must stay here,  
you must."

But my adventurous heart hurried  
out to you and cried,  
"Wait—please wait—can't you  
see—I'm coming, too?"

## Habla Vd. espanol? No, she doesn't

• In Mexico City Patsy Rutledge could hardly wait to use the Spanish she had learned in Miss Wilma Jimerson's first year Spanish class. When she and Frances McShane were unpacking in the Regis Hotel, they found themselves without coat hangers.

Patsy called room service and asked for 20 hangers. She had such difficulty making herself understood by the confused clerk, who understood very little English, that she finally gave up.

THE TELEPHONE rang and another voice asked, "You mean you want 20 club sandwiches?"

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by Roger Knox

Howdy men! This is your high school representative from the S&Q Clothiers talkin'.

A couple of weeks back, I was upstairs in the stock room (or the owl barn, as it is sometimes called) doing a couple of odd jobs when the phone rang. It was Mr. E. J. Sparkman. He told me to come down to his office, so naturally I went.

When I walked in the door, behind the desk sat Mr. Sparkman, who is owner and manager, buyer and seller, and hirer and FIRER down at the S&Q. Next to Mr. Sparkman sat Mr. Sheldon, who is assistant manager and the son of the Mr. Sheldon who has his finger in the pie somewhere in all of the 11 stores. Over in the corner sat our good friend Jimmy Newton.

It turned out that Mr. Sparkman wanted me to write the Campus Corner this year, and he wanted me to act as the representative from the S&Q to FSHS.

Well, I was beginning to feel like a big shot. I could see myself as big dog instead of low man on the totem pole. I could see myself taking 30 minute breaks every half hour I was at the store, the big fat pay checks every two weeks. There wouldn't be any more sweeping, dusting and fixing up the store for me. I thought that I might even have a desk of my own, or something of the sort.

Well, my dream had a sudden ending. Mr. Sheldon told me to wear my old clothes to work the next day and to give the stock room a thorough cleaning. Well, that ended my hopes of 30 minute breaks every half hour, and a desk and all those other things.

Well, fellows, why don't you come down to the pink and black store (S&Q) and see me? I reckon I can misfit you just as well as the next person.

Bill Robbins just treated himself to a charcoal gray suit and an extra pair of pink slacks. Yep, I said pink slacks, all right. They come in the ever-popular flannel and are considered a good deal by fellows who are in the know about clothes, because they can be worn interchangeably.

Seems charcoal gray is hogging all the news now, but it's what you, the customers, have been asking for and you know S&Q aims to please.

See you next issue.

—adv.

## Enrollment increases; additional classrooms provide shorter day

• Just as the enrollment in senior high continues to grow, the number of buildings added to the campus also increases.

"One of the reasons we do not have a seven period school day as before," R. Earl Farnsworth, principal, said, "is because of the added classroom space in the Veterans Office building."

Recently being taken over by the high school, the Veterans Office is located at 409 North 25th Street. The cottage, a former residence for senior high school engineers, has been owned by the Fort Smith Public Schools for some time, according to Mr. Farnsworth, but was not used for classrooms until this year.

BY THE REMOVAL of several partitions, two classrooms were formed. The drivers education class, taught by John Lunney, meets in one, and the business arithmetic class, instructed by Clyde Horton, the other.

The Veterans Office is still located in a part of the building as in the past.