

# All-state crew to go to clinic next week

• "ONE-FIFTH of the 1955 all-state band will be from Fort Smith, if all goes well," said Floyd D. Pitts, director, commenting that 16 Grizzly bandmen have been chosen to take part in the annual all-state band festival at Russellville, March 10-12.

Among those selected to go from FSHS are Myles Friedman, Richard Cox and Jimmy Pierce, clarinets; John Mott, alto clarinet; Julian Jones, bass clarinet; Jimmy Thames, contrabass clarinet.

net. RICHARD CARROLL, oboe; Deanna Swift and Martha Burrow, bassoons; Earl Shipley, tenor saxophone; Jimmy Williams, baritone saxophone.

Larry Philpott and Earl McClelland, French horns; Richard Wheatley and George Smith, cornets; and James Kaylor, trombone.

Selected to go from the junior high schools are Catherine Todd, flute; Paul Mitchell, oboe; and Herschel White, French horn.

**THESE WERE CHOSEN**, along with about 15 others in this area, through tryouts among 200 students attending the district senior clinic last month.

Further tryouts will be held in Russellville to place students in either the first or second all-state bands.

"Making the all-state first band is indeed an honor, considering that only about 90 people are selected from all over the state," said Mr. Pitts.

"WE ARE the largest delegation from any town in the entire state," he added.

"Fort Smith can well be proud of this achievement," stated Larry Philpott, president of the band council. "Few schools in the state have ever done better."

## Journalism students attend convention

• FOR THE SECOND consecutive year FSHS will be represented at the annual convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. Eight Grizzly staff members and journalism students with Miss Hazel Presson, sponsor, will attend the meetings in New York, March 10-12.

Those going are Louise Turner, Carole Crockett, Bettye Sue Fleming, Rose Anna Valenti, Jim Newton, Ralph Starr, Jane Davidson and Carol Griffiee.

Three FSHS delegates will be represented on the program: Miss Presson will speak on "No Gossip Column" Carol Griffiee will lead a roundtable discussion on "How to Make News Interesting" and Jim Newton will be chairman of a group meeting.

## PTA to stage night meeting

• TO CREATE favorable interest in the forthcoming millage election, the FSHS Parent-Teacher Association will hold a night meeting Monday at 7:30 in the auditorium. The object of holding the meeting at night is to enable a larger number of parents to attend.

The feature of the program will be a panel discussion on the physical needs of FSHS, with J. Fred Patton, local businessman, acting as moderator. Others on the panel will be Frank Beckman, school board president, Chris D. Corbin, superintendent of schools, R. K. Rodgers and Ed Reed, local businessmen.

**THIS MEETING** is the major effort of the senior high PTA to further the campaign to increase the millage. Thirty-two members volunteered to call every FSHS parent to enlist their support.

The class with the highest percentage of parents present at the meeting will be awarded a \$5 prize.

**ANOTHER PTA project** has been the sponsoring of candy sales, proceeds from which will be used to send two students to Boys State and Girls State. Profit from the sales amounted to \$72.50.

The PTA also arranged for a demonstration of ranges at the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company February 18 and 21. For each FSHS parent or student in attendance the PTA received 50 cents.



• **ALTHOUGH** the junior council has postponed its party until a later date because of conflict with the Big 7 tournament, members are busy preparing posters for the event. Phoebe Speer and Frances McShane, left, do the drawings, while Ann Whalen and Anne Matlock post one on the foyer wall.

## Elizabeth Ann Britt elected president of Allied Youth

• **ELECTION** of new officers and laying plans for second semester climaxed a recent business meeting of Allied Youth.

Elizabeth Ann Britt, senior, was elected the new president. Other officers are Janet Crook, vice-president; Doris Ann Baggett, secretary; and Wilma Downum, treasurer.

The newly elected committee chairman are Katherine Brochus and Olto Jo Dewitt, program chairman; Ramona Stubblefield and Dewey Leiberman, social chairman; Eileen Farris and Kay Farris, national publicity; Carol Griffiee and Tony Council, local

publicity; Ray Baker and Charlotte Brown, membership extension.

**NEW MEMBERS** for the advisory board are Earl McClelland, Ramona Stubblefield, Martha Rose, Carole Crockett, Gloria McClain, Ann Eubanks, Don Eubanks, Lance King, Bill Hawthorne, Louise Jaggars, Richard Stubblefield, Anna Doughit and Cynthia Payne.

Preliminary plans have been discussed regarding delegates to the Southwest Allied Youth Roundup, which is to be held at Lake View Methodist Assembly, Palestine, Texas, March 31-April 3.

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• **"THE HAPPY JOURNEY"** will be the one-act play presented by Sock and Buskin members for judging at the Searcy speech festival March 10-11. J. D. Sagely, student director, gives instructions to Jacque Gallaher, left, and Bill Hawthorne, right, during a practice. Mrs. Evelyn Holt directs the play.

## FTA elects Smith treasurer at northwest district meet

• **DARRELL SMITH**, FSHS junior, was elected treasurer of the Northwest Arkansas Association of Future Teachers of America at the convention held at the University of Arkansas last Friday in connection with the University's "Future Teachers Day."

The local FTA chapter, having recently joined with the NAA, sent delegates to the meeting at the university for the first time.

**OTHER FSHS MEMBERS** attending were Pat Harper, president of the FSHS chapter, Elizabeth Buell, Patsy Dillon and Mrs. Fannie B. Tirey, sponsor.

Looking ahead, the convention-minded FTA members are making plans to send a delegation to the annual state convention to be held in Little Rock, April 11-12. At the banquet held in connection

with the convention, the Delta Kappa Gamma scholarship winners for this year will be announced. Mary Ray, FSHS senior, is the local chapter's applicant.

**MEMBERS** of FTA from several states met here in connection with the recent Classroom Teachers Association Convention when two outstanding FTA workers were present: Lyle Johnson of Denver, Colorado, president of the national association of FTA, and Mrs. Wilda Faust, executive secretary of Future Teachers, who had charge of the program.

Carolyn Quoss and Pat Harper met with Mrs. Faust at a dinner meeting February 18 at the Goldman Hotel to complete plans for the meeting which was held the following day.

## FBLA holds yearly banquet tomorrow

• **THE ANNUAL BANQUET** of the Future Business Leaders of America will be staged tomorrow evening at 6:00 at the Ward Hotel with the teachers of the FSHS commercial department as special guests.

Herman Westfall, from the FSHS faculty, will be the program speaker, addressing the group on the subject "Kinds of Insurance," according to Anna Ruth Murphy, program chairman.

**FOLLOWING** the banquet, a tour of the hotel will be conducted by the manager, Frank Voger, who was an FBLA speaker earlier in the year.

Nancy Kenney, social chairman, in speaking for the club says, "It's a gala affair that everyone has been anxiously anticipating."

## Holt announces cast for 'Curtain Going Up'

• **"CURTAIN GOING UP,"** this year's senior play, cast early in order to have pictures in the Bruin, is a portrayal of the many comic obstacles with which "poor, young Miss Burgess" is faced in directing her first play. "Curtain Going Up" will be given April 22.

In the cast of this three-act comedy, as announced by Mrs. Evelyn Holt, director, are "Miss Irene Burgess," Patsy Price; "Loretta (Lorry) Fuller," Joan Holt; "Nancy Leveridge," Julie Orr; "Miss Carolyn Moran," Shirley Anderson; "Miss Henrietta Rivers," Ann Wilson; "Elsie Hunter," Kay Farris; "Sylvia Moore," Ann Bennett; "Janet Young," Marilyn Marrs; "Joan White," Peggy Crane; "Kyle Roberts," Marilyn Crawford; "Andy (Andrew) Fullbright," Bill Needham; "Jocko Guthrie," Larry Hutson; "Mr. Norman Carter," John Gossett; "Milt Sanders," Jack Gunter;

## Language club, Athenians choose annual projects

• **CARRYING ON** an annual tradition, two FSHS clubs, the Athenian Literary Society and the Classo-Romance Club, have selected their projects. Each club chose a gift to buy and present to the school.

Pictures for the library has been voted the Athenians' project. The three pictures chosen, "Land's End," "Christ in the Temple" and "Independence Hall," will cost about \$32. The pictures will be hung in the same frames which are in the library now but which will be refinished by the woodworking department and art classes.

A **COMMITTEE** to select the pictures was appointed by Marilyn Marrs, president, and includes Carol Griffiee, chairman, Nancy Kenney, Claudette Rapp,

## Local students plan to enter speech contest

• **SOCK AND BUSKIN** dramatists, under the direction of Mrs. John Holt, will represent FSHS at the Arkansas Speech Festival March 10-11 at Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas.

Entered in the play division is "The Happy Journey," a one-act play. The cast includes J. D. Sagely, Ann Ellefson, Bill Hawthorne, Jacque Gallaher, Danny Efurd and Marilyn Powell.

**OTHER ENTRIES** are as follows: radio speaking—John Gossett and Bill Needham; poetry—Claudette Schock and Kay Farris; prose—Joan Holt and Julie Orr; after-dinner speaking—Shirley Windsor.

Although the meeting is open to the dramatics departments of both high schools and colleges in Arkansas, judging for the two groups will be done separately. Each entrant is given a merit rating. This is the second year that Sock and Buskin has entered this annual festival.

**IN LAST YEAR'S FESTIVAL** held at Arkansas State Teachers College in Conway, Julie was the only high school student to receive a superior rating in poetry. Claudette received an excellent rating in prose reading. The play entry "Sorry, Wrong Number" was one of four that received superior rating, the highest rating given for plays.

Regarding the value of such meetings, Mrs. Holt said, "An experience like this speech festival is good in that it gains recognition both for the department and for the individual student. It takes a great deal of work, but is really worth the effort."

Sissy Beall and Gayle Price. Small bronze plaques reading "Athenian Literary Society, 1954-55" will be placed on each picture frame.

**BUYING TWO FLAGS** for use in the auditorium is the project of the Classo-Romance Club. The two will be the American flag and either the Arkansas or Christian flag. They will be bought by money raised from various projects during the coming months.

The finance committee appointed for this project includes Julie Orr, chairman, Ronnie Brumley, Jane Davidson, Wilma Ethridge and Ann Buchanan. The project committee include Carol Griffiee, chairman, Tony Council, Carolyn Quoss, Shirley Lilly, Howard Bass, Shirley Windsor and Robert Durden.

## Holt announces cast for 'Curtain Going Up'

"Buck O'Hara," Jim Hatfield; "Mr. Tony Peterson," Danny Efurd; "Mr. Richard Leveridge," Bill Barksdale.

**EXTRAS** are Kaye Ward, Katherine Brochus, Raymond Moore, Bob Anderson, Claudette Schock, Verna Lou Lloyd, Norma Ledbetter, Cynthia Wolfe, Ann Patton, Diane Floyd and Pat Orsburn.

A grouchy janitor with a sharp tongue, the disappearance of the play books the first day of rehearsal, a set of comically crossed-up high school romances with a capital R, a charming young heroine who becomes stage struck, her bewildered boy friend, a campus "actor" with a superior air, a banker's daughter driven to theft and dirty tricks by her father's ambitions—and perhaps most unexpected of all, a romance for young Miss Burgess are just a few of the trials and tribula-

tions that confront Miss Burgess in presenting her senior play.

Heading the production staff are Buddy Evans, student director, and Danny Stephens, production manager.

**LIGHTING** will be done by J. D. Sagely, chairman, Robbie McGrew, David Munford, Roger Knox, Ronnie Knaus and Bill Hawthorne (junior apprentice); sound—Shirley Windsor.

Costumes—Mary Beth Taylor, chairman, Claudette Rapp, Ewilda Taylor, Jean Jones; properties—Carol Griffiee, chairman, Eileen Farris, Carolyn Quoss, Ann Eubanks.

Make-up—Ann Ellefson, chairman, Dorothy Elam, Donna Gail Schreier, Doris Ann Baggett; business manager—Stokely Hays; tickets and programs, John Mott and the senior council; publicity—Marilyn Powell; prompter—Nancy Kenney.