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#### ANOTHER TERM UNDER WAY

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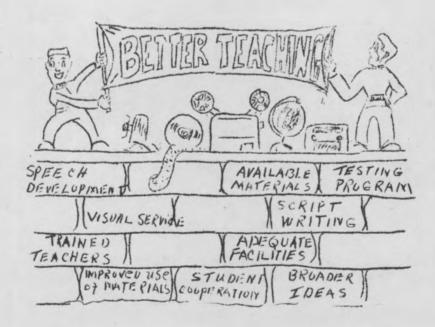
On Tuesday, September 7, the 1954-55 term of this school got under way with a faculty meeting at 10:00 P.N. All members of the teaching staff of last year returned to their posts and all the household staff with one exception. There is one replacement on the household force in the position

of second cook which is filled by Mrs. Ruby C. Hill.

At the faculty meeting the plans and proceedure for the year were discussed. Particular emphasis will be placed upon a testing program in both the schools for the blind and in the school for the deaf. Achievement tests will be administered to all grades beginning with the third. The deaf school will place more time and emphasis upon speech development, lip reading and language. A more extensive and intensive use of visual aids will be encouraged and expected. The blind classes will devote some time and effort in learning square writing at least to the extent that each blind child may be able to sign his name legibly. Six of the larger blind boys will continue the course in poultry culture at West Virginia State College under the instruction of Professor Prewitt.

The outlook is bright for another successful year through the hard work and cooperation of teachers, students and household staff. We welcome one

and all and wish them success and happiness in their efforts.



#### THIS, THAT and the OTHER

#### NOT VALID

An Alabama law requiring the labeling of text books to indicate that the authors, or the writing, therein are not knowy to be advocates of Communismm was declared invalid by the courts.

#### VENGEANCE

In a New Mexico town a woman motorist saw the dog that had bitten her four weeks before, swerved her car to hit the beast, instead crashed into a house and wound up under arrest.

#### PROGRESS

Progress is the activity of today and the assurance of tomorrow.

- Emerson

#### THE FIRST AIM

Manhood not scholarship is the first aim of education.

Ernest Thompson Seton

#### For Dinner

In a Chile, a cow slipped on a mountainside, plunged though the roof of below, landed ungarnished in the dinning room.

#### FAILURE

The men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed.

Loyd Jones

#### OUR STATE

West Virginia has an area of 24, 282 square miles and a population of 2,005,552 in 1950. There are eleven counties in the State with less than 50 Negroes.

#### WASTE

Do not waste five dollar time on a five-cent job.

John T. Faris

#### THIS, THAT and the OTHER

#### WAYFARERS

I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any fellow human being let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

#### Stephen Grellet

#### SCHOOL TRAFFIC SIGN

In a certain county, traffic signs adjoining school buildings read:

Do not kill the children

Wait for the Teacher.

#### GATES OF MERCY

The applause of listening senates to command,
The threats of pain and ruin to dispise,
To scatter plenty o'er a smiling land,
And read their history in a nation's eyes,

Their lot forbade: nor, circumscribed alone
Their growing virtues, but their crimes confined;
Forbade to wade through slaughter to a throne,
And shut the gates of mercy on mankind.

Gray

#### DID IT HELP?

The teacher sent a note to a boy' parents, pointing out that Johnny had astigmatism and urging that he receive immediate attention. To this came a reply:

"We don't know what it is that Johnny has done, but his father gave him a licking last night and perhaps if you would give him another today it would help."

#### GENIUS

To do easily what is difficult for others is a mark of talent. To do what is impossible for talent is a mark of genius.

Amiel

#### THIS, THAT and the OTHER

#### VIEWPOINT

One day a rich but miserly Chasid came to a Rabbi. The Rabbi led him to the window. "Look out there," he said, "and tell me what you see." "People," answered the rich man. Then the Rabbi led him to a mirror.

"What do you see now?" he asked.

"I see myself," answered Chassid.
Then the Rabbi said, "Behold - in the window there is glass and in the mirror there is glass. But the glass of the mirror is covered with a little silver, and no sooner is a little silver added than you cease to see others and see only yourself."

#### S. Ansky

#### THANKS A MILLION!

Superintendent Bolling wishes to express sincerest thanks and fullest appreciation to the members of the staff who presented him with the fine, tan cowhide briefcase at commencement last May. It is a beautiful and useful article and should give years of service,

#### REMEMBERED

We remember the many evidences of the interest of the Hon. Charles A. Williamson in the welfare of this school during his term as President of the State Board of Education last year. He climaxed the many helpful things which he had done throughout the year by presenting the diplomas and certificates to our graduates.



#### FACULTY NEWS

Mr. Bolling had to work at our school all summer. Our school was damaged by the Chemical Plant explosion. He had to work all summer.

Mrs. Sanders went to Philadelphis, Wilmington, Del. and Washington, D.C. She attended a meeting and visited friends. She worked at the school most of the summer.

Mr. Sawyer and family visited their mother and father at Point Pleasant/

Mrs. Maggie Hamilton attended a wedding of Miss Holley&s neice and her cousin. They had a very beautiful wedding. Mrs. Hamilton spent the rest of her vacation in Bluefield.

Miss Williams went to Detroit. She attended summer school for eight weeks.

Mrs. K. Robinson worked in Camp Joy with Miss Holley for five weeks. The camp is located twelve miles from Cincinnati, Ohio. After Camp Mr. and Mrs. Robinson spent fourteen days in New York City.

Miss Raspberry went to Summer School at a college in Boston. She stayed there for six weeks. She lived in an apartment and cooked for herself.

Miss Hendrick went to visit her mother in Detroit. Then she spent the rest of the vacation in New York City. She worked in a hospital. She enjoyed this experience.

#### ALUMNI NEWS

Cora Roberts, one of last years graduates, is taking Spanish, Music and typing in Gary High School. She expects to enter College in January.

Dorothy Rush is employed in "Pals" beauty shop on State Street in Charleston, W. Va.

Dorothy Lapsley has passed the Gaulidetce test and she expects to enter college in Washington, the second semester.

#### MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Ruth Virginia Smith, a former student, was united in marriage to Mr. John Sewall on the twenty-eighth of August at Mt. Zion church for the Deaf. The church is located on 145th Street Convent Avenue, New York City.

#### FACULTY NEWS

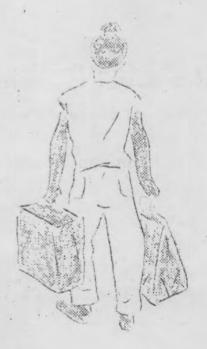
Mrs. Anderson, visited her sister and brother in NewYork during July and August. She reported very interesting experiences.

Mrs. Edmonia Grider enjoyed a trip to Pennsylvania, New York, Canada, and Mic igan with her husvand and son.

Mr. Warren went to meeting Barber Association in Chicago and them went on to New York and Canada. He reported an enjoyable trip.

Mr. Lee was with his family at home for the summer vacation. He worked in his cleaning and pressing shop. His daughter and her two children came to visit.

Miss Holley spent eleven weeks as dir ctor of Camp Joy in Cincinnati, Ohio. The camp was a huge success under the leadership of Miss Holley.



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#### IN SEPTEMBER

It's nice to have vacations But I am happy when We go home in September And school begins again.

#### ADVANCED DEAF DEPARTMENT

#### VACATION NEWS

Fred Jones went to Cincinnati by train to visit his mother and family. He stayed five weeks.

Olie B. Hamblin spent two months visiting her grandmother in Galesburg,

Illimois,

Anmie Woods spent two months with her mother in Youngstown, Ohio. Paul Adams went on an All Day picnic at Cliffton, W. Va. Margaret Martin spent two days visiting in Ashland, Kentucky.

#### SPORTS

This summer I joined a softball team. We named our team the "Dukes" and joined the softball league of Bluefield. Sometimes I played shortstop, or second base or even pitched. In July we had won six games and lost four. In late August, Bluefield, Va. and our team were tied for first place. The winner was to go to Charleston to play, but no one went.

#### Paul Adams

#### AT HOME

My vacation was spent at home. My first visitor for the Memorial Holliday was Rudolph Valentine. We enjoyed talking. I attended many interesting movies and church services. My aunt from Washington, D. C. visited me and brought me a vanity set. Dorothy Lapsley visited me in August.

Ann McCollum

#### OUR TEACHER'S PETS

Miss Holley brought a parkeet from Ohio. She keeps it in her bed room. The little bird is yellow, black, blue, and green. Hiss Holley is teaching it to talk. She sings every morning. She says cheep, chee, cheep, chee.

#### Annie Woods

When I returned to school, I saw a black puppy. I soon learned it was Miss Holley&s puppy. Lassie is her name. I like to play with Lassie. I think Lassis likes all the children.

Beverly Clark

#### INTERMEDIATE CLASSROOM NEWS

Part of my vacation was spent in Cincinnate, Ohio. While there I saw The Redlegs and the Giants.

Fred Jones

My vacation was spent with my family. I took care of the house and did the cooking while my mother worked. I like to keep house.

Della Clark

I spent my vacation with my mother. I played with my brothers and sisters. I helped with the work.

James Cheese

I spent my vacation in Conn. I had a fine time. I came back to school in an airplany.

#### Andra Allen

My vacation was spent with my grandmother. I went to church and helped with the house work. My mother came from Ohio to visit us. My brother went into the army.

#### Beatrice Bolling

I enjoyed my vacation but I was happy to come back to school. I helped my father clean the school bus which he drives. I halped my mother with the smaller children.

Lymus Revels

I enjoyed my vacation in Camp. I had a good time.

#### Livingston Herd

I spent part of my vacation in Detroit. I stayed about three weeks. I was glad to come back to school to see my friends.

#### Carolyn Pickens

I had a little job this summer baby sitting.. I went to Camp Clifftop. I won a medal for being the best swimmer.

Ella Jean Robinson

#### PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS

#### DEAF AND BLIND

The boys and girls in Miss Hendrick's room wish to thank Mrs. Strader for speaking on their chapel program.

Jerry Booker is happy to have some new playmates in the classroom. They are Alfred Stradwick, Louis Evans and Ernest Evans. - Irene Hart

My teacher thinks I am a brave little boy. I am not afraid of crickets and grasshoppers. I caught two grasshoppers and we wrote a story about them. We let them hop in the grass again.

Horace Dickson

Joann Love and Clarissa Smoot are having fun with the rope. Clarrissa is learning to jump single rope and Joann is learning to jump double rope. It is fun to watch some of the teachers jump rope.

#### Carolyn Davis

I spent my summer at home watching baseball games. I appreciate the book sent by Al Helfer. When I want information my teacher finds it for me in the book. I am glad my teacher likes baseball.

#### Butch Jackson

I took several short trips and one trip to New York this summer. I saw a good ball game in New York.

Walter Brown

I have a new accordion. My teacher tells me I am doing fine with my new chords. I enjoy my music.

#### Sheila Davis

I enjoyed my camp trip this summer. Our Scout leader took us on a three day camping trip. Jame's Martin

A picnic was the monst interesting thing for me this past summer. We had a good time and good things to eat. Rose Deans

I attended Sunday School and Church this summer.

#### Dannie Brooks

I had a playing good time this summer. Outdoor play and indoors on the piano. I like piano lessons. Sylvia Davis.

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