

Atomic Energy Assembly Is a 'Hair Raiser'

Mr. Chester Gray of the Oak Ridge Institute for Nuclear Studies presented an interesting and enlightening assembly concerning nuclear principles before a receptive audience of Hialeah High students on March 12.

Mr. Gray used the ingenious machines created by the Institute and a model of Oak Ridge's three-story Van de Graff generator to illustrate his lecture. Starting with the basic component of all matter, the atom, he discussed its construction and characteristics. He then went on to explain the chain reaction principle and the function of the atomic reactor at the Oak Ridge plant.

With the aid of two pretty blondes—Karen Davis at the first assembly and Norma Jean Curry at the second—he illustrated the effects and purpose of the Van de Graff generator. The girls were taken by surprise when they discovered their golden locks stretching into outer space, and the audience roared with laughter.

While explaining the use of radiation to preserve foods, and its benefit to medicine, Mr. Gray induced Pat Curtis, Sara Parise, and Linda Trout from the audience to submit to a "Gieger-counter check." It was discovered that Pat had an "over-active brain condition" and that Sara and Linda were ailing from "over-active thyroids." Fortunately, Mr. Gray explained later that the girls suffered from illness for the benefit of science, and that all conditions were imaginary.

Throughout the program, Mr. Gray was assisted ably by Ronnie Kirschbaum, who helped demonstrate various principles.

Easter Greeted With Assembly

Three of Hialeah High's main departments chimed together to form one of the most enjoyable Easter Assemblies that Hialeah's student body has witnessed.

The dramatics department headed by Mr. Joe White put on an Easter play entitled "Dust On The Road", by Kenneth Goodman. The members of Mr. White's third period class make up the casts for both performances. Students who had parts in the play were: Jim Burdick, Lois Kalhurst, Trudy Green, Randy Goings, and Glenda Havens.

The choral group conducted by Mr. William Inglis contributed to the program by singing "Father Forgive Them" and "Alleluiah". H.H.S.'s concert band, receiver of much favorable criticism in the past, presented two selections conducted by Mr. Logan Turrentine.

Singer: "Don't you like my voice?"

Accompanist (sadly): "Madam, I have played on the white keys, and I have played on the black keys—but you sing in the cracks!"

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H.H.S. STUDENT, RONNIE KIRSHBAUM, helps Mr. Chester Gray of the Oak Ridge Institute for Nuclear Studies demonstrate the Van de Graff generator.

Maryville Comes to H.H.S.

Hialeah High's senior class and other members of the student body were entertained by the famed Maryville College Glee Club at a recent assembly. The glee club traveled by bus from Maryville, Tennessee, to conduct a tour of various high schools.

The glee club presented two full hours of entertainment, including vocal solos and a piano-comedy routine which many students felt equaled many of Victor Borges' performances.

Directly preceding the assembly, the members of H.H.S.'s Ensemble Chorus had a chance to meet and talk with the members of Maryville's glee club when they visited the choral room; several valuable words of advice were given cheerfully from the college choral group.

Hialeah High's choral department saw action when they went to the District contest at Miami Edison on March 30. The attending chorus was composed of 1st, 3rd, and 6th period choruses. After rendering "The Echo Song" and "Song of Mary", they received a rating of "excellent" from the three judges.

Vocal soloists Bonnie Cooper and Barbara Sellers, along with Diane Dressel, Student Director, will attend further competition in Tampa, Florida, because of the superior ratings they received.

Student Jo-Ann McCranie expressed hopes that next year's chorus will be able to attend the Tampa competition by earning a superior rating. "We almost make it this time," claims Jo-Ann.

Exchange Club Sponsors Contest

75 dollars will be offered to the winner of the Patriotic Speech Contest sponsored by the Exchange Club of Hialeah-Miami Springs. The winner of the interschool contest will be sent to the District Contest. Those placing second and third will also receive prizes of 50 and 25 dollars respectively.

Those entering District competition will be competing for a \$1,000 scholarship, the winner of which will go on to the State and National competition. Second prize in the District Contest is \$100 cash and third prize will be \$75.

Any junior or senior is eligible. Speeches are judged on content,

delivery, stage presence, and questions asked by the judges concerning the speech. The length is to be from seven to ten minutes.

Rules of the contest are:

1. The speech must be original and entirely the work of the student. Data may be secured from any source.
2. A typed copy of the speech, double spaced, with a signed statement certifying to the originality of the composition, must be furnished five days before the contest date.
3. Any student winning in his junior year is not eligible in his senior year.

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S.C. Confab Coming

As April once again draws near, the Student Council is busy making plans for the delegates to attend the annual Florida State Convention.

This year's convention will be held April 17-19, at West Palm Beach, and if the Council follows the usual plans the newly elected officers will attend the three-day organizational meeting.

Last year's convention was held in Clearwater and according to delegate Angel Simonetti, "These conventions are one of the best ways for council members to gather and discuss common problems and techniques in the running of a Student Council."

During the state convention each of the districts will hold a separate meeting for the purpose of

organizing local conventions. The Hialeah delegates will be intent on setting up the District 6 meeting at Hialeah.

While in West Palm Beach the students will be housed in private homes. At each convention families have provided rooms for the delegates. The other costs will be provided for by the Student Council fund which is for this specific purpose. It will not be necessary for the council to attempt to raise money, as the earlier drives were so profitable.

Home Ec. Class Is Remodeling

Fourth year home economics classes are redecorating the home economics department in order to provide an even more pleasant atmosphere for the model home.

Wall paper which was selected and put on by the girls themselves now decorates the living room, as well as the bedroom. An amusing bedspread designed by the fourth year class has been made also. The sewing room has taken on a new appearance since the tables have been washed, sanded, and given a new coat of varnish.

All these accomplishments were achieved only with a great deal of effort and elbow grease. The experience will provide a valuable lesson for later years.

Testing Program To Be Conducted

An article appearing in the March 1, issue of This Week Magazine states that state and local boards of education aided by the Federal Government will be giving an aptitude test.

This testing program will be given to students all over the United States. The testing will end in four years; however, most of the nine million high school students will be able to take the test before the year is ended. The program will also include about six million seventh and eighth graders who will be given the aptitude test.

The purpose of the extensive testing program is to determine what fields students need the most help in, and which fields or subjects in which they are most apt.

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Assemblies Held About Schedules

Sophomores and juniors assemblies were held March 17 in the H.H.S. auditorium to acquaint the student with the requirement of the coming years.

The students were given papers with the list of courses from which they may choose and be advised on. They were also reminded of the required courses, the courses requiring money, and the courses requiring the permission of the instructors.

The regular scheduling took place March 24 during their home-room period. The schedules must be o.k.'ed by the students' parents.

Communism Probed By History Class

Mr. Fred Weller's history classes are currently investigating the topics of Communism and Socialism, their past history, and their effects on the American society.

Students were assigned to do research on their topic, then present it in the form of an oral report to the remaining class. After hearing the reports, the class discussed, and compared both subjects, and their importance in the world of today.

The purpose of these discussions is to acquaint the students with the potential enemy hiding behind the guise of Socialism and Communism.



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