

Alum Banquet To See Godby, '37 Grid Stars

Over 75 Leon lettermen attended the annual "L" Club Alumni banquet Wednesday night at the Silver Slipper.

Honored as special guest for the evening were members of the 1937 Leon team which are making this '55 Homecoming a special reunion.

An entertaining talk reminiscing of the 1937 season by County School Superintendent Amos Godby, coach of the '37 eleven which gained the state championship in a post-season playoff 32-12 win over Leesburg, was the highlight of the evening.

Other entertainment presented for the enjoyment of the grads were the Melodears; John Dallis and his steel guitar; the Ramblers (girls quartet); and the Tallalassies, composed of four Leon alumnae, Susie Hay, Susan Helms, Gail Johnson, and Maria Messer.

Paul Hartsfield, a member of the '37 aggregation, emceed the program, during which former coaches and captains were introduced.

Donnie McCreary is president of the host "L" Club, and Coach Roger Englert is sponsor.

4 Finalists Picked From 95 Entrants In Speech Contest



Kathleen All, Ann Moore, Shirley Ozbolt, and Patsy Sammons have been selected for the ninth annual Voice of Democracy contest. Speeches were given in both assemblies Friday, October 14 by eight semi-finalists, and the four were selected from these. The four finally chosen from a beginning number of 95 entrants, were selected by the judges, Dr. Judd Chapman, Mr. Rufus Jefferson, and Mr. Jack Mathews.

Harold Cogswell, member of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce, and also United States district attorney, explained the history of the contest and also told the reason for the contest being established. This year's contest is the ninth one sponsored

Leon Set for Eventful '55 Homecoming Weekend

One of the most ambitious homecoming week-ends in Leon history is planned for Thursday and Friday this week.

A giant pep rally; a big parade, complete with floats and band; a bonfire, the Homecoming dance, and the 8:00 Friday night clash between Leon and N.E.C. rival Gainesville, are coming events listed for the week-end the grads return. Festivities for '55 were actually kicked-off with the annual "L" club alumni banquet Wednesday night.

The pep rally and parade will be Friday afternoon. The rally to generate some of that famous Leon spirit will start at 2:00, and the parade originates at Meridian street behind Leon at about 3:00 p.m. Everyone should decorate some kind of vehicle and join in the parade as the cheerleaders and the Pep club are offering \$15 for the best float and \$5 for the best car.

The bonfire will be at Bobby Benson field and will be highlighted with skits given by various clubs. The most original skits will be awarded prizes of \$5, \$2 and \$1.

Friday night brings into the spotlight Leon's Fighting Lions as they do battle with Northeast Conference foe Gainesville in an 8 o'clock encounter. During halftime ceremonies Homecoming Queen Patty Ryerson and her court of Leon lovelies will be presented.

After the game everyone is invited to the Homecoming dance to be held at the Armory. The Aristo-Cats will furnish music and a top-notch floor show is planned by the sponsoring "L" Club.

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In addition to all these events a window-painting contest of store windows sponsored by the Pep Club will be another attraction of the homecoming. Prizes of \$15 and \$7.50 will be given for the winning windows.

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Thespian Night To Be November 10

Leon's second annual Thespian Night will be coming up November 10. This year, according to any Thespian member, the Thespian Night promises to be bigger and better than ever. Two plays will be presented in addition to dramatic readings and other entertainments.

"House of Greed," a mystery by Robert St. Clair will be the first play on the program. This presentation, a one-act play, centers around rich and crabby "Old Lady" Laletia Roberts. "Old Lady Roberts," as she is called, is reputed to be the most-hated spinster lady in New York. When she is murdered, the problem is to find out who hated her most and enough to kill her.

Melvin Peters, a new member to the Thespian troupe, will give a dramatic reading. "Three Pieces of Silver," Melvin's reading, promises to give as much excitement as the play. "Honey," is another dramatic reading which will be presented by Margie Williams. Both these readings will be presented between the two one-act plays.

With every Thespian night, there is at least one comedy. What better way to present a comedy than in the new modern trend. "Antic Spring" is a one-act comedy by Robert Nail and the entire plot revolves around a group of teen-agers going on a picnic.

This play is the one selected by the Thespian Club, and the Thespian sponsor, Mrs. Mina Cubbon, to be presented at the State Drama Festival in Gainesville one week after being presented at Leon.

Six Leon Students Get Scholarships

Six Leon High School students were awarded science scholarships in assembly Friday, October 14. Dr. Carl Dittmer of the Florida State University Department of Chemistry made the awards, in the junior high assembly, to James Tait, Lewis Shipley, and George Beal. In the senior high assembly he presented the awards to Melvin Peters, Albert Yancey, and Terry Shaw.

These scholarships are ones which provide for after school work in the F.S.U. Department of Chemistry under a qualified instructor. The scholarship recipients will be assigned projects and will be assisted in them by the faculty and graduate students of chemistry. The scholarships carry with them a \$10 monthly stipend which will be paid by an interested Tallahassee businessman who prefers to remain anonymous.

The students selected for these scholarships were chosen on the basis of their scholastic ability, their interest in chemistry and the recommendation of their teachers.

In a talk preceding the presentations, Dr. Dittmer pointed out the need for more scientists and engineers if we, the United States, are going to stay out front in the scientific field.

All six scholarships are exploratory scholarships and are good for the school year.

The High Life staff wishes to thank Mr. Bill Barber, Leon history teacher, for the fine photographic help he has been giving to the High Life. We also wish to apologize to him for the omission of a credit line accompanying his pictures and hope to provide one in the future.

Paul Hankin, junior at Leon, has also been assisting the High Life along photographic lines. We take this opportunity to express our appreciation to both of them.

Annual, High Life Staffs Go To FSPA

During the F.S.P.A. district convention Saturday, October 15, topics such as good news shots, organizing an editorial staff, how to get your staff and hold it, and advertising plans and layout were discussed. The meeting was held in F.S.U.'s Demonstration School.

Leon High students attending from the High Life were: Sandra Brown, Cornelia Koos, David McCullough, Buddy Cash, Charles Smith, and Carmean Tribble.

Those from the Lions Tale attending were: Norma Lee Keyes, Virginia Graham, Paul Hankin, Kathleen All, Marianne Hartsfield, Jack Holland, and Judy Smith.

Mrs. Eunice Johnston and Mrs. Margaret Cash, newspaper and annual sponsors, were there and attended the luncheon.

Leon Students To Hold City Offices

About eight Leon High School students will visit the offices of the major city officials and the city commission meeting on November 8, in observance of annual Youth Government Week. The students will act as officials and carry the duties of the day.

Youth Government Week is presented each year as an effort to help youth understand and observe the functions of city government.

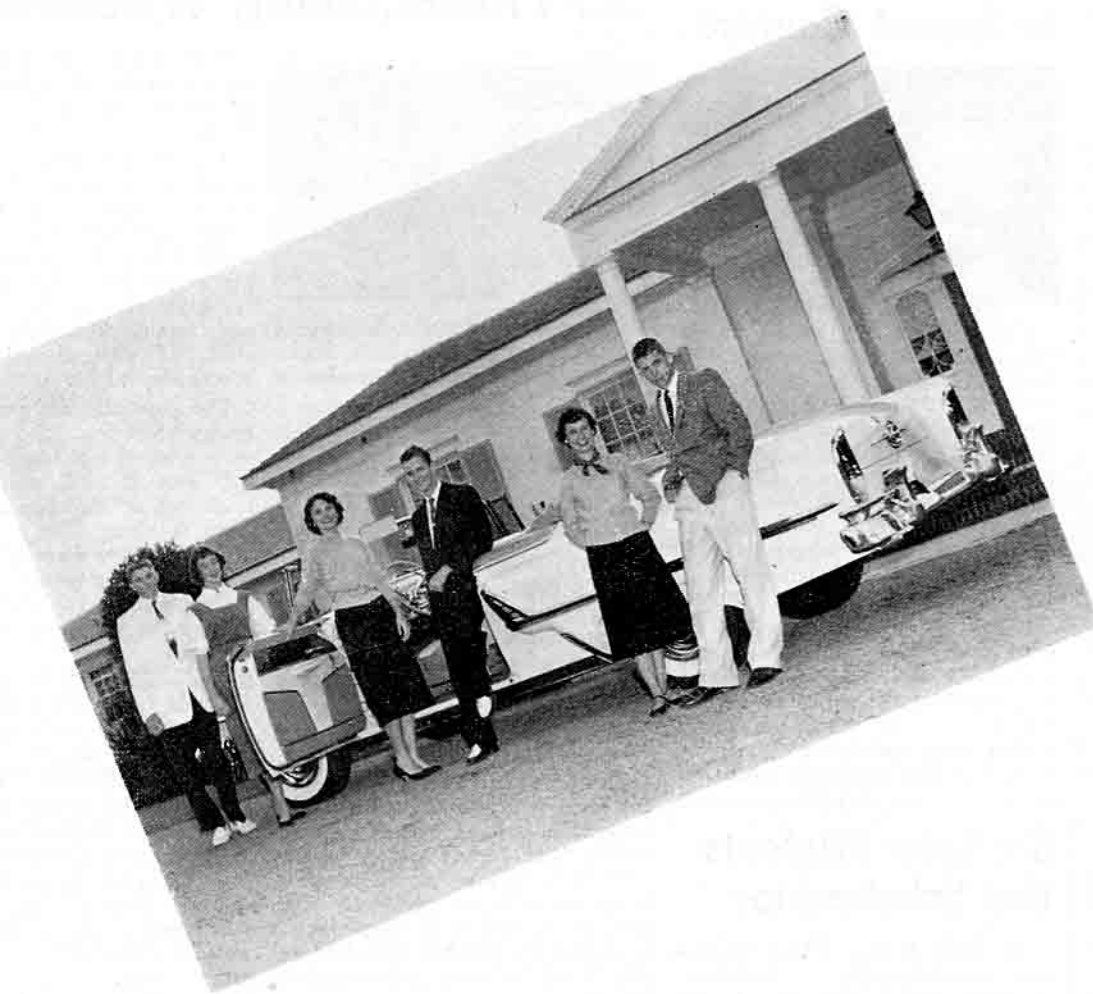
Homecoming Events

Thursday, 7:30	Bonfire
Friday, assembly	Pep Rally
Friday, 2:05	Dismissal
Friday, 3:30	Parade
Friday, 8:00	Football Game
Friday, 10:30	Homecoming Dance

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The '55 Homecoming

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Lloyd Griffith has earned the title "Top-Flight Leonite" as captain of the football team. Quiet and dignified, Lloyd has accomplished a great deal during his high school career by making the most of himself and by serving his school. He has done his share as a homeroom president, Junior Rotarian, and member of L-club, Key club, Hi-Y, and Boys State.



Lloyd first came to Tallahassee on November 14, 1938. He has since attained a height of 5 ft. 11 in., a weight of 175 pounds and has blue eyes and reddish blond hair.

CARLINE McDOUGALD

Another of Leon's leaders this year is our head cheerleader, Carline McDougald. An energetic, peppy Yell Belle for Leon since the ninth grade, Carline has also shown qualities of leadership and dependability in her participation in other activities at Leon. Some of these are feature editor of the annual, and member of Chez Nous, F.T.A., Tri-Hi-Y, Pep club, Interclub council, and chorus.



Carline, an attractive 5 ft. 3 in., strawberry blonde, started life in Quitman, Georgia, on April 9, 1938. After graduation, she will attend F.S.U. She plans to become a teacher.

Clublicity

For the first activity period this year, 72 Leon High School junior girls assembled in the cafeteria on Friday, October 14, to be assigned to their sections of Tri-Hi-Y.

Before they received their assignments, Mr. Aubrey Morse, secretary of the state Y.M.C.A., gave a brief talk on the principles of Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y.

Next the larger group was divided into three small groups, and proceeded to the rooms of their sponsors. In the various groups officers were elected and a few goals for the year were discussed. Teachers spon-

soring the Tri-Hi-Y are, Mrs. Hiles, Mrs. Lewis, and Mrs. Clemons.

All three candidates representing the Leon chapter of F.H.A. at the district meeting won the right to run for the state F.H.A. offices. Gail Norman, Kay Bourquardez and Martha Smith will represent this district in the election for president-elect, treasurer and historian respectively.

Leon F.H.A. had 59 members to attend the district meeting, which was held Saturday, October 15, in Cross City. Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Gramling, club sponsors, accompanied the group.

Nancy Abbott, Esther Kirk and Mary Alma Roberts gave the devotion at the morning meeting. In the afternoon meeting Leon girls modeled clothes for the McCall's Fashion Show. A fashion representative from McCall's furnished the clothes.

SKETCHING

Leo's Head-Lions

This issue, we are attempting to recognize a few of the boys who have been playing good ball so far this season. We have written just a few identifying lines about each player.

Other outstanding players will be featured in future issues. (Ed| Note: The editors regret that all the boys' pictures were unavailable.)

Bob Carnes, senior, is one of the finest backs to come to Leon in the last few years. He is one of the hardest runners to bring down once he starts moving. He can shift his field with great ease and is a break-away threat at all times.



Dick Heiges, senior halfback, is one of Leon's defensive stalwarts from his linebacker post. The Lions' largest back at 180, Dick is a hard runner and capable of filling in on offense at any time.

Larry Hall, senior, only returning letterman guard, is one of the smallest men on the team, but he makes up for his size by terrific blocking. He has time and time again outplayed men a lot bigger than he is.



Gene Page, junior, is one of the only two letterman backs this year. He is perhaps the fastest man on the team and can go all the way at any time. He plays both offense and defense.

Harold Arnold, senior letterman end, has been one of the outstanding linemen this year. Harry has excelled on both offense and defense. He is one of the few who goes both ways.

Ronnie Simpson, junior, is the other of the only two returning backs. He is also one of the few players going both ways. Ronnie is a very fine signal caller, he can pass well, and he is a fine runner.

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October, 1955

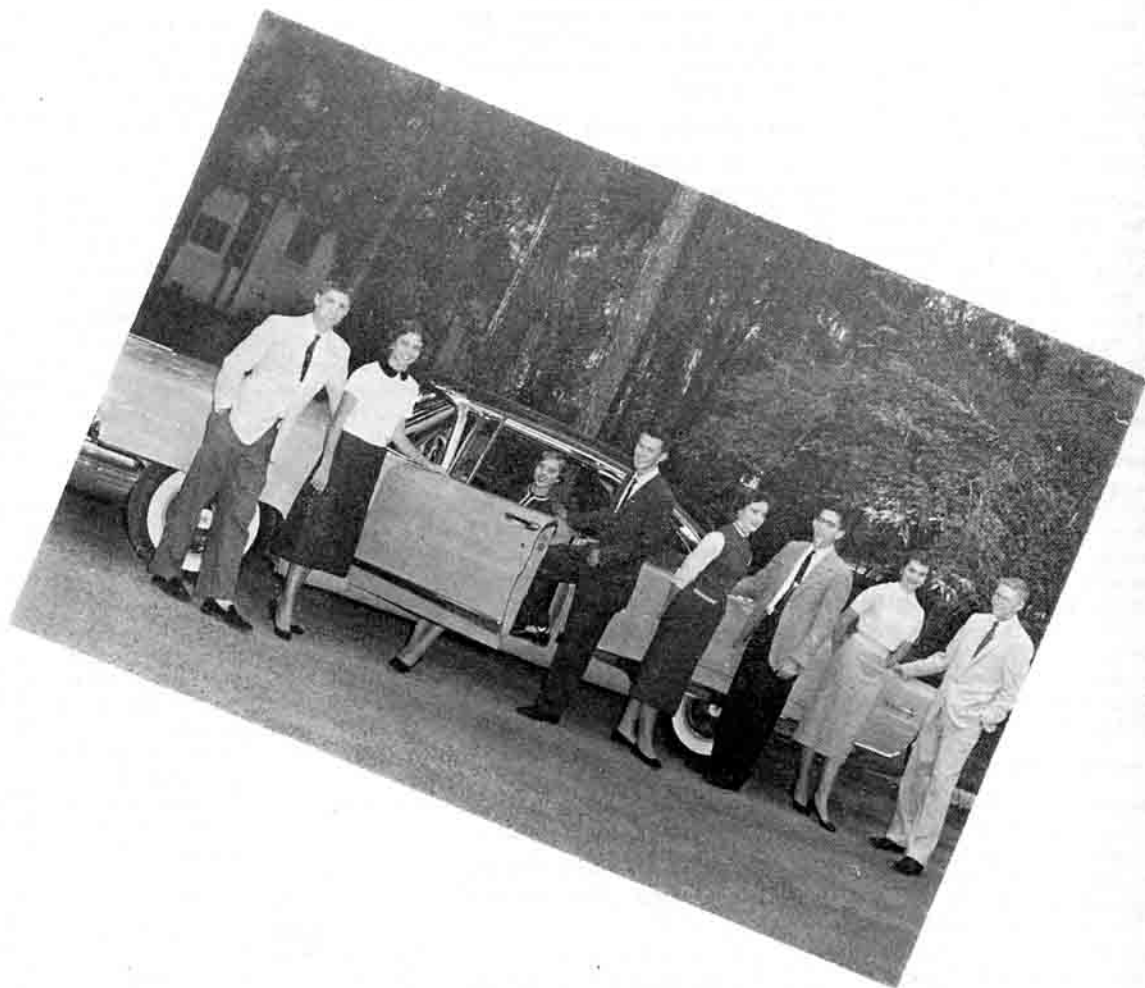
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By Buddy Cash

A DISMAL START . . .

Leon's football team, all factors considered, has encountered a pretty rocky road so far this season. The Lions have definitely failed to live up to pre-season expectations.

The Lions opened with an expected 32-0 triumph over Perry. While Perry's football stock is rising, the game was considered as a tune-up for the Lions.

Leon next journeyed to Moultrie, where the Lions dropped a 9-7 heartbreaker to a tough Moultrie outfit, which incidentally hasn't been in the losing column since playing Leon. It was no disgrace losing to Moultrie, one of south Georgia's most powerful teams, but the loss seemed to shake the Lions' confidence.

Two weeks later, Leon, playing at Live Oak, spotted the Bulldogs two quick touchdowns and never recovered, falling 13-7. Leon followers were stunned, as the Lions went into the contest a solid two to four touchdown favorite. Coach Englert frankly stated: "Live Oak was one of the weaker teams we'll face this season," and many of the team's backers have openly commented that the Lions just don't have it this year.

TOOK STOCK . . .

Following the Live Oak fray, the Leon players and coaches, individually and collectively, took stock of themselves and decided that it's no fun losing and something's got to change. The potential, which both head coach Roger Englert and line coach Fred Snyder still think the Lions are loaded with, is still there. But is the spark? The Lions say yes.

They can still have a great season and they still have a shot at the NEC title. The boys believe they can come through on both counts and have promised themselves they will. Serious and definite of purpose, the Lions have worked hard since the Live Oak game, and are determined to come through.

SHIP HASN'T SUNK YET . . .

Can the Lions make good on these promises? Can they shake off the early-season losses and come back strong? The answers will come tomorrow night. This one will make or break the Lions. Gainesville's squad will have a decided weight advantage on Leo's boys, but, discounting all-state guard Asa Cox, they are, as a whole, lacking in experience. The comeback trail will be a rough and hard one, but as one young Lion so aptly put it, "the ship hasn't sunk yet," and the Leon team and coaches have an intense desire to keep it afloat.

JV's Gain Split In Four Contests

Opening the season with a close 7-6 win over the Bainbridge "B" team, Leon's Junior Lions have since compiled a 2-2 record. Their other win was against another Georgia team, Cairo. But again the win hinged on an extra point, the final score being 14-13.

The Baby Lions' first loss was to a powerful Bay High Eleven in Panama City. Bad breaks stopped every scoring drive the Leon JV's started, the game ending 18-0, Bay High.

An alert Moultrie team held the Junior Lions to 6 points, while scoring 19, in Leon's second loss. Fumbles broke the Lions' back, since the JV's ran only four running plays in the first half.

Five games remain on the schedule, so the Leon reserves still have time to improve and come out with a pretty good season. The remaining schedule:

Oct. 20—Cairo	There
Oct. 27—Sopchoppy	Here
Nov. 3—Moultrie	There
Nov. 8—Perry	There
Nov. 22—Perry	Here

Leon, Gainesville Collide In Homecoming Battle

Tomorrow night the Leon Lions play host to the Gainesville Purple Hurricanes in their annual homecoming classic. The contest is scheduled to start at 8 p.m. at Doak Campbell Stadium.

The Lions who have lost two of their first three outings, hope to get back on the winning side of the ledger, but the Hurricanes, who have shown a lot of power to date, will have other ideas.

The Hurricanes were beaten in their first game 25-19, by a strong Orlando Boone; then, on the following week, ran at will against Bolles Military Academy from Jacksonville, winning 32-0. The next contest was a hard fought 0-0 deadlock with a tough Palatka outfit. Last week the Purple Hurricanes won their only Northeast Conference game by defeating Fernandina 6-0 in a closely played contest.

Gainesville is sparked by James Feeley, a slim 145 pound freshman quarterback. Captain Asa Cox, all-state tackle last year, anchors the middle of a large forward wall which averages 200 pounds from tackle to tackle.

In their first three games the Lions have been hampered by a large number of fumbles and penalties, which have stalled several touchdown drives deep into enemy territory.

Senior halfback Bob Carnes has been the outstanding performer for the Lions thus far. The shifty-running Carnes has gained 235 yards from scrimmage in 27 runs for an 8.7 average.

Mr. Longsdon—"Class, where is Betty Jean Ward?"

Jean S.—"She has an allergy."
Buford T.—"Oh yes; I had Allergy II last year."

The Lions have high hopes of getting back on the victory trail tomorrow night. According to scouting reports, the Purple Hurricanes are big and rugged, but lack depth, many of the first-stringers being sophomores and juniors, with a sprinkling of freshmen.

Leon's starting line-up is not set, as Coach Roger Englert has indicated that he may make some changes.

SPORTS . . . IN SHORTS

By CATHY IAUEKA

Ever seen a team that has been beaten in softball every day for two weeks? If not, just put on some clothes (red shorts and white shirt preferred) and hop on down to the softball field sixth period.

There you will find the smallest group of girls' Phys. Ed. in Leon High. Just wander around and ask the scores; Mrs. Mayo and Mrs. Batchelor will be glad to help. . . . 6-5? No, that can't be it. 13-0?? That's the team you're looking for . . . the Oh, Beth Miller's team.

On this team are all the second "Babe Ruthies"—Laura Ann Messer, Betsy Andrews, Sarah Saunders, Eleanor Freeland, "yours truly" and . . . well, need I say more? Each player has a nickname—for instance; Martha "Jane Russell" Lambert and Betsy "Marilyn M." Andrews, but as a whole they have named the team "the unwinnables." As of now, they certainly have lived up to their name.

Mrs. Batchelor has that gleam in her eye, I bet she will split up "the unwinnables." Maybe it will be better that way; we'll see. "It was great while it lasted" (famous last words).

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