

It was announced at the Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Elks Association held last May in Charlotte that the Elks of the State had raised \$1,000 as a contribution toward a national fund to be used for furthering education. At an informal session Pres. John J. Morton named the winners in an essay contest on the subject "**American Schools as a Public Safeguard.**" Cash awards were made to Miss Emily Patrick of the New Berne High School, Randolph Denton of Gold Sand High School, Wood, N. C., and Miss Mae Wanda Miller of the Winston-Salem High School.

The Association elected as officers for 1937-38 John W. Caffey, Greensboro, Pres. ; **C. M. Epting, Salisbury, Ist Vice-Pres.**; C. A. Jurgensen, Wilmington, 2nd Vice-Pres.; W. C. Burns, High Point, Secy., and Tom

C. Daniels, New Berne, Treas. C. R. Davis, Concord, was elected Trustee for three years; J. J. Burney, Wilmington, Trustee for two years, and

D. A. Morris, Durham, Trustee for one year. Greensboro was selected as the 1938 meeting place.

The Convention was declared to

be one of the best arranged ever held by the Association, with one of the largest attendances ever recorded. It was marked by the presence of the Grand Exalted Ruler of the Order, David Sboltz, the Governor of the State, Clyde R. Hoey, and other distinguished Elks, among them being Howard R. Davis, Williamsport, Pa., a member of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee, Henry M. Durham, Greensboro, a member of the Grand Lodge Auditing Committee, and D.D.'s Leslie P. Gardner, Goldsboro, and George W. Munford, Durham. One thousand were present at the luncheon at the Hotel Charlotte during which the Grand Exalted Ruler and Gov. Hoey delivered outstanding addresses. The social program was varied and the Home of Charlotte Lodge No. 392 was the scene of continuous entertaining during the two-day meeting. E.R. Ernest D. Grady, the officers and the members of the convention committees were constantly on hand to see that everybody was well received and taken care of. The first day featured a buffet luncheon for arriving visitors and closed with a dance. The second day's big feature was the luncheon at the Hotel Charlotte with the Convention Ball taking place in the evening.