BOOK CLUB ESSAY PRIZE

The annual prize offered by the Walterboro Book Club for the best essay written by the pupils of W. H. S., was awarded this year for the best essay written on Michelangelo. The contest requirements were stiffer this year than ever before. Ten pupils had to write essays before the contest became official. Each essay was to have one thousand words and was to be written at the school house without any notes under the supervision of some of the Book Club ladies.

The contestants were: Jane Shaffer, Ruth Frank, Mary Butler, Helen Jacobs, Katherine Fishburne, Harriett Howell, Genevieve Skardon, Alvin Skardon, and Pearl

Cohen.

The winner, , was presented with a

handsome bust of Michelangelo on graduation night.

Although all of these contestants could not win the prize each one has profited by their study of this great artist's life and works, and no one could ever regret having spent time and thought on it—winner or loser.

MERIT LETTER SYSTEM

Walterboro High School is ever inspiring the pupils toward every phase of improvement. Yet somehow one is always inspired more keenly if there be a definite goal, a visable prize to be gained. This year such a prize has been offered in the shape of an attractive Merit Letter. To deserve one of these letters the pupils must develop physically, mentally, socially and morally. These four points embrace every phase of school and outside activity. Seventy points under each head must be won in order to reach the score which entitles one to the Merit Letter.

The Merit Letters are designed in the form of a triangle. There is a wildcat's head in the center with the letters W. H. S. arranged at the three corners. They are of

yellow felt on a black ground.

Winning one of these badges is the greatest honor that can come into one's life at the Walterboro Hi. After this year, for each semester that a pupil wins the required points a bar will be added to the badge.

The Merit Letter badge is also offered to the pupils of the Walterboro Grammar

School on the same basis but with fewer requirements.

ORATORICALS

W. H. S. is proud of her achievements for this year. The debating team won out in this district and went to Columbia where the negative won the honor of being the second best negative in the state. In the district oratorical meet Walterboro won second place.

In the elimination contest four of our well-known readers, namely, Ella Mae Beach, Jane Shaffer, Helen Beach and Mary Lena Gilliland, took part. The readings were excellent and the judges, after much discussion, finally decided in favor of Jane Shaffer.

Miss Shaffer went to North Charleston, where the meet was being held and won second place, losing first because she ran over her allotted time a few minutes. The subject of her reading was "Bobby Shafto."

We are proud of these boys and girls who have shown such ability and school spirit in representing us in these and other contests. We are sure of their success in life.