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Junior Play

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## Three Classes in Department of Chemistry

Supervised by Charles Jordan;  
Keep Chemical Display Case  
on Third Floor

### Study Organic Acids

Students Now Working on Special  
Semester Projects; Choose  
Own Topics

The chemistry department, under the supervision of Mr. Charles Jordan, has three classes with a total enrollment of ninety-six. Although many are well acquainted with this department, there are some who know very little about it.

Mr. Jordan has been a teacher at Pittsburg Senior High for only one year and a half; he came here from Chanute, where he taught for two years.

#### Making Study of Acids

The chemistry classes are now studying inorganic and organic acids such as tartaric, citric, tannic, and oxalic acids. Several days were spent this week in the laboratory making experiments with the different acids. Two days after an experiment is made the results of the experiment must be written and handed in.

Several weeks before this semester ends, each student will have completed some special project. The student is given a choice for his project. Some are making cosmetics, some writing themes while others are making charts with a short explanation.

Any experiment concerning chemistry can be made and reported on with an example of the result. These special projects will be kept open for Open House night.

#### Motion Picture Demonstration

A three reel picture describing the making of Hammermill Bond paper was shown the chemistry students during this year.

In the northwest corner of the third floor can be seen a glass case containing various things pertaining to chemistry. The articles in this case are changed from time to time. At present a display of marble is in the case.

The chemistry department is comprised of two large rooms, one the classroom, the other the laboratory to conduct experiments in. There are also two very small rooms in which the chemicals and larger apparatus are housed.

When working in the laboratory room, each couple has a desk. This desk contains the apparatus and tools with which to conduct the experiments. There are about nine desks on each side of a long table.

### Row Receives Honor

Council Will Sponsor Awards for  
Prize Book Review

Mr. Row, dramatics instructor of Pittsburg Senior High School, attended a meeting at Topeka, Saturday, Feb. 11, while there he received the honor of being appointed to the executive committee of the State Council of the Kansas Association of Teachers of English.

According to Mr. Row, he is a member of the committee that is directing a book review contest throughout the state. Four times a year the K. A. T. E. will offer a \$5.00 prize for the best book review of some book published within the last two or three years. The committee will approve and publish, every three months, a list of these books sent in by Kansas high school English students.

#### G. R. JOINT MEETING HELD

A program of home and outside talent was featured at the joint meeting of the Girl Reserves, which was held February 15, in the high school auditorium.

Harriet Ellen Carder from Lakeside played a violin solo with two encore numbers, "Goofus" and "Underneath the Harlem Moon." Ralph Ostoff entertained with a piano solo.

Miss McPherson, supervisor of city schools, read two short sketches, the first, "A scene From A Pullman Train," and the other, "Little Rollo." Mary Helen Austin read devotions.

Harriet Bumgarner, president of the junior-senior Girl Reserves, presided at the meeting.

### KATHRYN JEFFERS IN ROW'S PLACE FRIDAY

A very efficient substitute filled Mr. Row's place as instructor of international relations, speech, arts, and dramatics, last Friday while he was attending a debate at Parsons, Kansas, with the debate team.

Miss Kathryn Jeffers, P. H. S. graduate in 1929 and a present student at the Kansas State Teachers College here, carried on the classroom routine in an excellent manner and demanded the respect of the students who came under her supervision.

### All Wait for End of Royalty Contest

In 1927 Freshies Won the King and  
Queen Race; Broke Senior  
Class Tradition

Business men as well as students are anxiously waiting to see who the 1933 Purple and White king and queen will be. The seniors, juniors, and sophomores all hope to be the winners.

In 1925 the seniors upheld their royal tradition by crowning Frances Davis, queen, and Harold Palmer, king. "Queen Cole," Viola Lochrie was chosen from the senior class in 1926.

The record was broken in 1927 when the freshmen won the king and queen race and crowned Jennett Helm and Joe Rock. Flossie Groundwater, queen, and Walter Russel, king, were selected from the senior class to head the Annual in 1928. The seniors won the race again in 1929 and crowned their representatives, Mary Fortino, queen, and Frederick Haigler, king.

The year 1930 saw Florence Sears and Dean Dyer elected from the senior class. In 1931 Clinton Phelps, king, and Mary Adele Brinn, queen, ruled the Purple and White. They too, were seniors. Last year Edna Blackett and Clint Rankin, seniors, very easily won the kingship and queenship.

### G. A. A. Chooses Teams

Wilma Fletcher and Reba Caldwell  
Elected Captains

As a result of the ever-increasing membership of the G. A. A., it was necessary at the regular meeting, Wednesday, February 15, to divide the organization into two groups with Wilma Fletcher and Reba Caldwell as captains. For this division each captain chooses a first and second team.

For jumping center on Fletcher's first team, Rose Mary Kimes was selected with Florene Banks as the running center. Juanita Lamb and Wilma Fletcher hold down the positions of forwards while Clysta Dudgeon and Naoma Breedlove are guards.

On Caldwell's first team, Frances Hanes and Vivian Alumbaugh show their skill at making baskets and Elsie Oldham and Mae Wiley show theirs by keeping the other team from scoring. At center, Caldwell jumps and Maxine Shaw running center.

Plans for a party to be held soon were discussed at this meeting, but nothing definite was announced.

### Finds Right Piece

Puzzle Too Much for Julio, Causing  
Him to Dream

There really should be something done about the jig-saw craze that is sweeping the nation. It is even disturbing people in their sleep now.

Othel Pence relates a recent incident that proves this statement. As the story was told, Julio Bond was to spend the night at Othel's house. They both went there immediately after school Friday evening. As soon as they reached their destination they began working on a jig-saw puzzle and continued to do so until 11:30 that night, being interrupted only once, and that for the evening meal.

At this time they decided to retire. And so far into the wee hours of the morning, Othel was intermittently awakened by Julio, saying very enthusiastically, "Here it is Othel, I've got the right piece."

#### PLAN TO JUMP

Bob Gay, well known pilot of the Alma Mater has recently stated his desire is to make a parachute jump. He says that he and Clayton Graves, another ambitious P. H. S. birdman, plan to make their debut as parachute jumpers sometime next summer. According to the two future parachute jumpers, the chief drawback is the cost of a chute.



Mary Eileen Ferns



Robert Dorsey

Robert Dorsey and Mary Eileen Ferns, who have been chosen by William Row, dramatics coach, to play the leading roles in the junior play "Sun-Up", which is to be given March 25, in the high school auditorium, are shown above.

Both have played leading parts in previous high school productions. Mary Eileen Ferns played the part of Martha Washington in the Washington Bicentennial Pageant last year. Robert played the masculine lead in "The Patsy," the Girl Reserve play given last year.

## Color Test to Be Administered to Many Pupils

Charles Jordan Introduces Novel  
Plan to Present Science  
Classes

### Several Frightened

Dreading Torture, a Large Number  
of Students Are Expected  
to Be Absent

"What color is that? Why, it's yellow." "I did not say it was orange last time; I remember distinctly!"

Woe be unto us. Charles Jordan, science instructor, has decided to make color tests in his many classes to ascertain whether or not there are any color-blind students in his flock. Perhaps Instructor Jordan feels that his pupils aren't gaining a thorough benefit from the multi-colored ties he wears or maybe the test is merely being carried on in the interest of science. Nevertheless, the helpless black sheep (or are they midnight blue?) are about to be sacrificed upon the altar of the rainbow. They know not the type of torture to be applied to them, but they fear the worst. Many hoping for a last minute reprieve, have begun calling the tyrant's attention to the several and varied colors that are represented in the torture chamber, but the command is spoken; the test must go on.

#### Receives Color Blind Sentence

An accusing finger is pointing. An entire assembled company is hushed. Now the judge gives the prosecuting attorney a knowing wink. An interrogator leers and flashes the question, "Are you color-blind?"

The defendant shivers but no answer is forthcoming. The jury returns and declares the state's prisoner guilty and the judge passes a life sentence of color-blindness.

We lift our heads, wonder of all wonders, the judge's hair has turned pea green. We leave the courtroom in a daze. Our beautiful new maroon car has been exchanged for one of the same make bearing a dirty gray. The traffic police are wearing red uniforms! One minute the signal lights are purple and the next brown. The trees and lawns have suddenly turned blue.

#### Science Goes Forward

How can we stand these horrid colors the remainder of our days? Ah there is a handy bridge and a stream of pink water! Well, goodbye, cruel world. We land with a thump. Why? We gasp for breath; everything passes into oblivion. A bell is clanging. That must be the ambulance. We awaken with a start and find ourselves on the floor gazing at the Indian blanket that we bought last summer from that Indian in Yellowstone Park. It is wound around our necks and strangling us. Oh yes, this is the day for the color tests. Science must go forward, you know.

## Parsons Meets Columbus Team for First Place

Strong Teams, Undeclared in  
League Competition up to  
Now; Play Tonight

### Only Two League Tilts

Pittsburg-Fort Scott Game Is Other  
One; Chanute and Independence Non-League

The Southeast Kansas basketball race gets more and more interesting and less questionable as the weeks go by, simply because such good teams are entered.

Whether Columbus, Parsons, or any other team wins, its members cannot say that they had a soft time of it by any means.

The results last week left Parsons out in front with four wins and Columbus also in the lead with three wins.

The Independence Bulldogs, champions of the S.E.K. football league who were supposed to have a good team this year, and has one, shoved their way closer to the cellar by being defeated by the Chanute high school, 24 to 21, in what must have been a thrilling battle, judging from the score.

The Pittsburg High School Dragons, who were idle last week, will be at Fort Scott this week end to give Fort Scott a second lacing of the season. This is going to be a real task for the Snodgrassmen.

But getting back to the Parsons-Columbus struggle, we realize that with both teams at their best, the game should be a thrilling contest and there is hardly a possibility of the game's being one-sided. Parsons will have their usual strong lineup and Columbus, who has two heavy scoring forwards, will also have a strong lineup.

### ANN SAUNDERS OVERWORKS GETTING OUT OF WORK

Anne Saunders, the little red-haired sophomore whom everybody knows, has a great sense of ingenuity for finding shortcuts in her work. Anne is making a suit in clothing and the width of the seams is very perplexing to her. Miss Gable showed her how to mark them with tailor's chalk, but Mistress Anne thought of a better plan.

She found out that the width of her tape-line was just as wide as she wanted the seam; so, she calmly laid it down the length of the material and proceeded to stitch along the edge. "Oh goody it works," cried Miss "Genius." And the suit may fit.

A dimple is a slight depression or dent in the surface of the human body caused by the adherence of the skin to the deeper tissues, most frequently on the cheek or chin.

### COULSON AWAITS END OF SECOND SEMESTER

Ursel Coulson, junior, at last became tired of inquiring when school would end.

Hours are divided into minutes, and minutes into seconds. Ursel took his pencil in hand and figured up just how many more seconds he would be required to attend school as a junior.

To his disappointment he found that the figures were larger than he expected them to be. All ideas of counting the length of school in smaller things than seconds were given up then.

### Revive Dead Past in Recent Survey

Eleven Members of Present Faculty  
Once Were Graduated From  
P. H. S.

The dead past isn't so dead for old P. H. S. A recent survey reveals that eleven of the present members of the high school faculty are graduates of the shrine of the Purple and White.

Perhaps if the walls of the present building and the old, now Roosevelt Junior high, could and would recollect and whisper to us some of the many happenings that surely took place, we would have a means of retaliation. Perhaps we could remind dear teacher of the times she or he didn't have his lessons and the number of times that a certain person (not you; the one behind you) flunked.

If one is careful, he can catch the individual teacher in a personal confession such as that of Mr. Jordan, science instructor, explaining to one of his classes how he once watched street-car workmen repair a broken trolley line while he occupied a "wind-down-side" seat in Miss Farners' English class.

Others of the faculty probably could be "caught up" in the same manner if one would keep his ears flapping.

Those instructors who may have once (we hope) passed P. H. S. famous English Essentials tests and their specialties are as follows: Miss Stamm, American history and economics; Mr. Jordan, chemistry and physics; Miss Farners, English; Miss Bailey, geometry; Miss Gable, clothing; Miss Laney, French and Spanish; Miss Stephens, study hall; Miss Waltz, American history and economics; Miss Hatton, commercial law; Miss Radell, Latin; and Miss Lanyon, physical education for girls.

### Purse Goes Touring

Ruth Martin Loses Pocketbook Three  
Times This Year

The private life of Ruth Martin's brown leather pocketbook has been an astoundingly adventuresome one. It is inclined to take numerous little trips, unannounced and with no forewarning. Miss Martin has reason to believe, however, that the poor purse does not wander off on its own accord. On the contrary, all clues seem to point to kidnapping.

Twice during the last semester, this frivolous purse has hid away and twice has been returned. A third disappearance occurred Monday night, in the Colonial Theater. The Pittsburg police were called, but failed utterly in finding a clue of the missing article.

The suspected kidnapers again made a clean get-away. Tuesday night, however, the lost pocketbook was found. The hideout proved to be an ash can at the back of the Colonial Theater. The money it carried had, of course, been taken.

Miss Martin has stated that she can no longer trust her poor purse, but will carry another hereafter. She seems loath to blame the date, Monday the 13th, for its unfortunate ending.

### TYPISTS GREATLY DISTRESSED

From all the groans, speeches, and forlorn looks of some of the typing students, an outsider would think Miss Rimmer a cruel hard-hearted tyrant. She has been giving speed tests to her first year students. Donald Lane, a red-headed junior, recalls the day that the fair instructor had the cruelty to give him one of the tormentors. The click, click of the machines started; and when Donald had finished, he had typed six words a minute and had only seven errors.

BOOST THE BOOSTER

## "Sun-Up" Name of Junior Play to Be Presented

Row Coaches Annual Presentation  
of Entirely Different  
Variety

### Ferns, Dorsey Lead

Same Author as That of "Moonshine  
and Honeysuckle;" Story  
of Mountain Folks

The name of the annual junior play which will be given March 25, in the high school auditorium is reminiscent of a beautiful summer morning when all of nature is awakening once more to the call of the sun. The title is "Sun-Up," a drama of three acts carrying a cast of seven boys and two girls. The author, Lula Vollmer, also wrote "Moonshine and Honeysuckle" which is broadcast every Sunday over the N. B. C. network.

#### Scene Located In Carolina

"Sun-Up" is a folk play which takes place in the Carolina mountains in the year 1917 during the World War. The story centers around Widow Cagle, who is to be portrayed by Mary Eileen Ferns, and her son Rufe, who will be characterized by Bob Dorsey. "The Drama," says "A fine plot, full of incident; dialogue of rare power, cut down to the bone and redolent of humor and sincere sentiment; characters that embody enough of essential humanity to make them likable in any state in the Union."

The junior class seemingly has its share of talent in acting, voice, debate, and study. The production will have perhaps an "all-star" cast, many of the players already being well-known by outstanding work. Mr. William Row, debate coach and instructor in dramatics, who is coaching the play, apparently has excellent material with which to work judging from the members of "Sun Up."

#### Includes Fine Cast

The cast is to include Widow Cagle, Mary E. Ferns, a girl of most surprising ability in all fields; Emmy Todd, Wanda Sedoris, the little girl who wanted her man in putting it Over; Rufe Cagle, Bob Dorsey, who played one of the leads in "The Patsy;" Sheriff Dick Von Schiltz who is new in this field but was known in football; Bud Todd, Jack McGlothlin, another old actor; stranger, Joe Howard, who played the cop in one of the recent plays; Preacher Charles Villmer, an old timer at business; Pap Todd, Roger Bumann, one of the pair Bumann and Fennimore in "Mississippi Minstrel;" Bob a mountaineer, Julian Shelton, one of Lakeside's gifted personages.

#### Fourth Play of the Year

"Sun-Up" is the fourth play to be given by the Pittsburg Senior High school this year. Despite the depression, the other plays, the Girl Reserve, the Hi-Y, and the musical comedy all attracted large crowds and furnished plenty of entertainment. The juniors also offer a pleasant evening with the "Sun-Up."

### Schildknecht Injured

Former Student Seriously Hurt While  
Boxing in Kansas City

Oscar Schildknecht, a former graduate of Pittsburg High School, was seriously injured last week in a boxing ring at Kansas City, when he and his opponent, "Chuck" Reinhart of Independence, Kansas, had a head-on collision.

It is said that Oscar is suffering from concussion of the brain and possibly a fractured skull. His match was scheduled for six rounds but ended in the third when Reinhart was awarded a technical knockout. Both were welterweights.

Oscar has been fighting in Kansas City for the past year and a half. He has a brother, Rollin, who has been fighting in Kansas City for the last two years in the light heavyweight division. Rollin is also a graduate of Pittsburg high school.

#### Proverbs

Not all proverbs hold wisdom. Some such as "All's fair in love and war," hold clotted nonsense. Conscience—knowing what is right and doing it—is a better guide to conduct than proverbs.



## Man About Town

(Things I Never Knew Till Now)

The new war debt version: Fifty million Frenchmen can't be wrong!

Garbo said, "I tank I go home." Another guy offers a similar sentence thusly: "I'm tanked—I go home."

Boston was once the capitol of New Jersey.

Ben Franklin thefted his ideas for almanacs from other almanacs and became famous for his stolen wit. (Who hasn't?)

The present boundaries of Illinois violate the ordinance of 1787—I don't care either.

After-dinner speaking is taught at the United States naval academy. (Oh, deah me, Reggie. Pass me a split infinitive!)

Psychologists claim the emotions of love, shyness, embarrassment, anger, and joy can be expressed by the position of the legs.

If ice is frozen too hard, it is useless for skating.

Everybody has a goiter. There are 37 different varieties of them.

The silver in the American dollar is worth 25 cents. (Well, anyway it used to be.)

A baseball thrown by a speedy big league pitcher reaches the plate about 2-5 of a second after it leaves his paw.

There are hundreds of 25 karat diamonds embedded in the floor of the Cuban capitol. (Anything to make the poor madder.)

Police cars and police trucks must have license plates, but fire apparatus don't. (Oh for the life of a fireman.)

New York has about 35 per cent less sunshine than states on the west coast, where they always have "unusual" weather.

## Heard in Passing

The jury system may be shut full of holes, but what's better?

Was there ever a man had any courage when he had disturbed a hornet's nest?

Anybody who wasn't a born fool made a pretty good king in the Middle Ages.

When overproduction becomes too great, that means we are working too many hours.

No man is happy where he thinks there is a possibility of committing an error in etiquette.

The man who believes he is as smart as you are, has to be, or he'll be unhorsed sooner or later.

Every move toward getting a city manager is an unconscious tribute to the Mussolini form of government.

How imperfect we are in every particular is not realized until we read the magazine ads for beautification and health.

About all that lessens one's confidence in himself as a huntsman is, being taken for a squirrel and shot at. And yet there are those that are taken for squirrel's food.

## WORDS OF WISDOM

Sword of common sense! Our surest gift.—Meredith.

Verse hath more power to soothe than prose.—Keble.

The days that make us happy make us wise.—Masefield.

He jests at scars that never felt a wound.—Shakespeare.

Prudent, cautious self-control is wisdom's root.—Burns.

It is a strange desire to seek power and to lose liberty.—Bacon.

Humble because of knowledge; mighty by sacrifice.—Kipling.

'Tis a sure sign of work goes merrily when folks sign at it.—Bickerstaff.

The greatest of faults, I should say, is to be conscious of none.—Carlyle.

No one is exempt from talking nonsense; the misfortune is to do it solemnly.—Montaigne.

Personal nomination for the school's most lovable girl, Harriet Bumgarner. Our idea of a perfect combination—Wanda Sedoris's blond hair and brown eyes. Just who doesn't love to hear the charming and full throated laugh of Eleanor Russell? The school's most perfect couple—Eleanor Deruy and Raymond Richardson.

## Jokes

Mrs. W. M. Williams (at railroad station): "Well, haven't you bought the tickets yet?"  
Mr. Williams: "No. You haven't told me yet where we're spending our vacation."

"Mother, I advertized under a different name that I would like to make the acquaintance of a refined gentleman with an eye to romance."

"Margie! How awful! Did you get any answers?"  
"Only one, from father."

Miss Stamm: "Thomas, where was the Declaration of Independence signed?"  
Thomas Exely: "At the bottom."

Ruth, "Jim, is the sheep the dumbest of all animals?"  
Jim, "Yes, my lamb."

Joe Tatham asked Wilmer Kratz to go walking with him. When he asked why, Joe said that the doctor told him to exercise with dumbbells.

Can you imagine it? Chas. Carson expects us to believe that it was so cold at breakfast the other morning that the grapefruit snowed in his eye.

Thanks for listening folks.  
Goodnight

## Rambling Reporter

An angle worm has more feet than a thousand legged worm.

Rudy Valee and orchestra will furnish the music at the President's inauguration ball, March fourth.

Guess Roosevelt will be welcomed in the White House with a "hey nonnie-ninnie and a hot cha-cha." (Not to mention a couple boop-boop-a-doops.)

The June bug is a May beetle.

Camel's hair brushes are made of squirrels' hair.

The biggest telescope in the world is located at Mount Wilson observatory in California. It totals 100 in.

The second biggest telescope is 72 inches at the Dominion Astronomical observatory Victoria, B. C., Canada.

Catgut, the material which tennis racquets are strung with comes from sheep. (Bah.)

The banana is a berry.

The Amateur Athletic Union has selected a strong 7-man track team to compete in Europe this summer.

The members are Bill Carr and Gene Venzke, both of the University of Pennsylvania; Ben Eastman of Stanford; Jim Bausch, K. C. A. club; Ralph Metcalf, of Marquette; George Spitz, world's indoor high jump record holder; and although the last is not certain, it will probably be George Salin, Olympic high hurdle champion.

They will compete in Stockholm, and probably in France, Germany, and Italy.

## DENTAL APPOINTMENTS

9:00. Miss Gussie Geefer: You know, doctor there's just one thing about coming here that I don't like—tee-hee!—and that's the drill!

Dentist: Ha-ha-ha!  
9:15. Mr. Spike Sapokito: Yeah, doc, der's jes' one t'ing 'bout dis toot racket wot gives me dewillies—heh-heh!—an' dat's de drill!

Dentist: Ha-ha-ha!  
9:30. Mrs. Cohen: Vell, doctor, as I vas sayin' to Morris only las' night, it's jus' ven part I don't like about it—oiy-oiy!—an' dot iss der drill!

Dentist: Ha-ha!  
9:45. Mr. Benker: You know, doctor, unlike many people, visiting the the dentist really has no terrors for me. In fact, there's only one thing about it that I don't like—ha-ha!—and that is the drill!

Dentist: Hal  
10:00 Lieutenant Smith: Yes, doctor, I find army life very interesting. However, there's one thing about it I don't like—Ark! ark! Ee-e-e-e-e-e

Yow!  
Dentist (Shoving it down patient's throat): And that's the drill!!

Not Even Molecules Are Seen  
We are assured that no one has ever seen an atom, an electron, or even a molecule.

It would take a microscope several hundred times more powerful than our present ones for us to be able to see even some of the largest molecules.

The nearest we come to seeing these is to view a tiny bit of matter which contains millions of atoms.

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## We Defend Our Proctors

Why is it that so many students look upon the proctors as hard-boiled policemen? Why do they think that the proctors merely watch you so that they may report you?

Our proctors are one of the best groups in Pittsburg Senior High. They are not a bunch of cranks as some think; they are there to help the students, each and everyone.

Anytime you want to ask a question, the proctors will gladly answer you. They are a blessing to the new students at the beginning of the year and even later on. Wouldn't you rather see a nice orderly school than one in which the students may go anyway they please?

## Asailin' We Will Go

The Capper paper states sixty-four Americans, tired of the depression and being out of work, took an old fashioned "windjammer," and went to sea. Among these are artists, scientists, doctors, nurses, architects, engineers, lawyers, writers, and men from almost all the ordinary occupations. They are either out of work or just have nothin' to do at the present time. The ship has also been idle. They have no special goal but will wander aimlessly hither and yon. Of course, some of the artists will paint, writers write, but probably idleness will be the main occupation.

## Queen-King Fight

Loyalty has been worked to the utmost from time immemorial. If a reporter is told to write an editorial, his first thought is "Loyalty—everyone must be loyal." It makes a good story; it is true; but it is not often read. Everybody can't be loyal to everything all the time; but once in a blue moon, even a trite subject can be made new.

Here is a different slant: Forget that you are tired of being loyal. Forget everything but your own class. For the time being, stop rooting for P. H. S. and remember only that you are a sophie, or a junior, or a senior, as the case might be.

Let's have a war! Or anyway, a red hot contest! Fight! Fight for your class! That year-book of ours is going to be worth its weight in gold, and it's going to be no little honor to the class who succeeds in winning the throne for the year.

Which class has the most peppy workers? Of course ours has! Get that "grand old spirit"—and may the best man win!

Instructors and Prominent Students  
Express Opinions on Technocracy

Technocracy? What is it? What's it all about? Is it a new political party? Such were the questions returned to a Booster reporter when he asked several of the students of P. H. S. their opinions on this particular question. Some of the students had even began to wonder if he were crazy. The following answers were given when the question, "What do you really think of technocracy?" was asked.

Eileen Stephenson, "Oh, I don't even think about it."

Earl Herman, "What is it?"

Dan Ponto, "I think it's the bunk."

Fred Shepard, "Ah-Er-Ah-Well, I don't know what to say."

Wayne Priestly, "I don't believe in it; it must be a fizzle."

Ernest Drunagal, "Don't worry, I'm not going to give my opinion on it."

Cass Levi, "I think just the opposite of Mr. Jordan. What does he say?"

Mr. Jordan, "Technocracy is a coined word to represent a newly proposed economic system. Probably the main idea was to invent an economic system where by the machine will work and pay wages to the man displaced."

Mr. Huffman, "Like most all newly coined words, 'technocracy' is much quoted little-understanding and often

used by persons quite unacquainted with few, if any, of its true applications to human life and industrial movements or outcomes. It bears careful thought and investigation; but as yet, is quite indefinite as to conclusions."

Which answers we consider to be about as abstract and indefinite as technocracy.

## TYPISTS FAVOR GABLE

Miss Rimmer's first year typists have taken up the study of business letters. Points to be noticed particularly are the very formal, semi-formal, and the informal types of correspondence. The letters must be centered.

When letters are transcribed from long hand to typewriting, the pupil is allowed to choose his own addressee. Many letters have been written to Buddy Rogers, but the greatest part of the girls favor Clark Gable, Elmer Zilch and a Mr. Glotz are also popular and a favorite of the boys.

## Cement

Cement is ground to a fineness which enables 78 per cent to pass through a silk screen which will hold water.

## Corridor Echoes

Carl Ritchey: "We'll be going into hysterics next."

Donald Lane: "What did you make on that typing test?"

Jack Graham: "I'd rather give my report tomorrow, Jordan."

Maurine Willmetz: "I'm glad you're sitting by me now."

Opal Pence: "What shall I say?"

Ellen Harper: "Oh! Were you absent yesterday? We sure missed you."

Walter Bradshaw: "I'll give you two dollars if you'll do it."

Shirley Jean Smith: "Well, it seems as though the whole art class were here."

Katherine Parker: "Do you have your drawings finished today?"

Juanita Gilbert: "Do you still have that letter 'N'?"

Betty Mae Jenkins: "I can't find Anna Katherine. Have you seen her?"

Ruby Phelps: "You want me to type this now, Mrs. Peterson?"

Margaret Covell: "Please, don't put that in the Booster."

Bill Priestly: "Dick here will tell you."

Rosamond Atkins: "Humph! I don't think that's even funny."

Glennice Ferguson: "Hello, I haven't seen you for a long long time."

Maurice Moran: "Can't you see where the books belong?"

Mildred Stewart: "Doesn't the world seem a rosy place to live in? I think so at least."

Clela Malone: "Oh, that was the funniest thing that ever happened!"

Jean Fain: "Don't even mention it!"

Albert Martin: "Say, where did you find it?"

Marjorie Covell: "Where have you been keeping yourself? I never see you anymore."

## Krazy Kratz

There is an old saying that goes, "A fool and his money are soon parted," but no one has ever told me how the two got together in the first place.

If you expect your money to work for you when you are old, you will have to take care of it while you are young.

Always tell the truth when you are awake, and you need not worry over what you say when you talk in your sleep.

Did you ever observe that a red-headed girl always notices another red-headed girl passing by? And they smile at each other whether they are acquainted or not. (Just watch some of them and see for yourself.)

People can marry and be happy on a very small income, but who cares to be happy now days? Happiness is old fashioned and what we want now is expensive excitement.

"Have you heard the story of the man who carried a quart of milk in a paper sack?"

"No."

"Well, I guess it hasn't leaked out yet."

## TUCKED IN NUTSHELLS

History, like nature, knows no straight lines.—William Bolitho.

Any book is a good book if you get any good out of it.—St. John Adcock.

Righteousness without facts is no righteousness at all.—Rev. Newton C. Fetter.

A nagging church has about as much influence as a nagging woman.—Charles Hall Perry.

The center of gravity of human interest is no longer liberty, but wealth.—Nicholas Murry Butler.

I believe that every man should know how to loaf. It is an art not to be despised.—John Grier Hibben.

There is a worse evil in America than a bachelor tax, and that is all-mony.—Mrs. Lucile Lacoste Maddox.

Some people have electric-lighted houses but mentally they are groping about in the gaslight era, and religiously they are still wandering in the dim period of kerosene lamps, candles or even pine-knot torches.—Rev. Charles Francis Potter.

## Neighboring News

It's getting terrible. Every time you pick up a high school paper, there's an article about some of the student looking for Gracie Allen's long-lost brother.

Zangara, the would-be assassin of President-Elect, Franklin D. Roosevelt, wanted to know why the judge was so kind after the sentence to eighty years had been passed on him. He said, "Why don't you make it one-hundred years?" He knew he wouldn't have to spend at least the forty there anyway.

Headlines in the Southwest Trail Southwest High School, Kansas City, Missouri, said, "Office places Eight Pupils On Honor Roll." In all other schools the pupils have to place themselves on the honor roll.

The seniors of the Paseo High School will get out seven days early, according to their school paper. Well the seniors in all high schools should get out that early. We think the under-class men will not mind that, for some day they will be big seniors.

Ft. Scott High School has the district tournament there this year. It will be held in Memorial Hall. They are making new baskets to keep players from being injured by running into the posts that are on the old baskets.

Seven hundred and seventy-two students were absent on Feb. 7, at Paseo high school, Kansas City, Mo. The cause for all these absences was just a blizzard.

Columbus high school is going to have an all school carnival. They had to wait until all the other schools made a big success with a carnival before they would venture the risk.

## Personality Sketches

Ted Grassi occupies this place of honor as senior boy of the week. Just in case you don't know, Ted is that tall, slim, good natured fellow whom you may have seen manipulating the business end of a broom after school hours. He has dark wavy hair and brown eyes. He is a speech and dramatics student, so naturally he is not bashful.

This cute little miss has black hair, dark brown eyes, is just the right size, and is a junior. Her parents christened her Margaret, her friends call her Marg, and her last name is Wiman. She may be seen most anywhere and usually with Shirley Wilson.

Mona Helm is of that unusual type so seldom found in high school, or anywhere else, for that matter. She is red-headed and quiet with a sweet disposition! Her hair isn't of the flaming, carrot hue but is a dark auburn. Mona has brown eyes, a light complexion sprinkled faintly with a few golden brown freckles. Although quiet and bashful, or because of these traits, she has a charming personality.

Small and cute with black curly hair, brown eyes and light olive complexion gives you a birds eye view of Helen Caruso, freshman. Whether her name has anything to do with it or not, Helen has a really good voice. She is one of P. H. S.'s honor students.

## Lovers' Charms in London

Among the strange "charms" against disease still to be found in London are beads of acorns, certain stones, animals' teeth and oak apples; while loove charms to recall straying sweet-hearts are still popular.

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## Society

At her home, 717 West 7th street, Gertrude Sellmansberger entertained the ABC club, Monday night, February 13.

Prize were won by Mary Hill and Helen Duncan. Lena Pender was a guest. These members were present: Patty Webb, Diana Ferguson, Theda Jones, Florence Sammons, Mary Hill, Helen Duncan, Elizabeth Gall, and the hostess.

Opal and Othal Pence were the host and hostess, Sunday, February 12, to these guests: Katherine Irwin, Edith Sammons, Marie Cutburth, Winifred Pence, Merle Stradley, Charles Harlan, Earnest Ray, and George Ray.

## BURNING WORDS

"Where have you been?"

"I haven't enough to pay the bills."

"What's the idea of burning the toast?"

"Well, you spent more than that on yourself!"

"Do you always trump your partner's ace?"

"And be sure you wash out the bathtub! Last time you—"

"I don't like it. Not the right style for a fat woman."—Pathfinder Magazine.

## ECONOMISTS LEARN TERMS

The economics class, under the direction of Miss Stamm, have been studying man's progress from his earliest stage, hunting and fishing, through the pastoral, agricultural, handicraft, and down to the industrial stage, which is the stage of today. They are just entering into real study of economics, according to Miss Stamm. The latest subject taken up is that of diagrams, showing initial utility and diminishing utility down to marginal utility. Some of the terms commonly heard in Miss Stamm's class room are as follows: wants, purchasing power, utility, marginal utility, infinite utility, and demands. Under the excellent direction of Miss Stamm, the economics students are learning to apply these terms to cases.

## Iris Adapts Itself

From the study of geographical distribution of the iris, it appears that the two central and southern locations are central and southern Europe and the Orient especially China. For the most part, however, the exotic species are thoroughly at home on the American continent and in certain sections have established themselves as freely as any native plant.

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## Hally, Gentry Choose Typing Room for Fall

Perhaps Bill Halley thought he was either a pierret, a ballet dancer, or maybe a bird when he perched himself upon one of the typing tables in the typing room the other day. Bill had the attention of everyone in the room centered upon him. Merrily he stepped around until his foot slipped. With no table beneath him, he wasn't quite so graceful. Thump, boom! sounded throughout the room. All the bystanders stood up. Bill had taken one step too many; he fell right on Lawrence Gentry's lap; and over they went chair and all. The chair may not have been hurt, but the boys, ears and faces were slightly dyed when they got up from the floor with as much manly pride as they could muster.

## This and That

We still would like awfully to know who the girl is with the beautiful eyes; however, we haven't given up but we are beginning to feel a little silly asking people if we may please see their eyes. Watch this column. You never can tell when the name is going to be announced and it may be yours.

This little beauty hint is about your hair. Whether it be red, black, yellow white, or brown, you can certainly help the looks of it considerably by brushing, brushing, brushing and more brushing. Give it the gloss and shine it has the right to have. Here is the proper way to brush your tresses. Take a good stiff brush, seat yourself on a low stool, put your head down real low, and brush one hundred strokes starting from the base of the head and continuing on down to the end of your hair. Make your strokes rapid and concise, but hard. You will be surprised at the difference in the looks.

Brilliant Thoughts: An added attraction to our school when visitors condescend to enter these stately portals, is the beautiful Irene Deil. She sits in her respective proctor chair and adds glamor to austere surroundings. An after thought: She would be an added attraction to any school.

How envious we old and dignified seniors are of Virginia Hill, the girl with the indefatigable energy. How we sit and sigh, wishing we could hop about with the vim and vigor that our dashing and adorable junior does. Our idea of a symphony in brown—Billy Chesser. We vote Virginia Hay as having the brightest but most beautiful red hair of anyone in high school.

## VAN NEST AND GRAVES PUBLISH NEWSPAPER

Eugene Van Nest and Jesse Graves published a four page newspaper Wednesday, February 15, under the supervision of Leroy Brewington, printing instructor. The paper is about one-fourth the size of the Booster and has three columns on each page. The name of the publication is the "Compositor."

Van Nest, sophomore, is the editor; and Jesse Graves, a senior, is the make-up editor. This publication is one of the many projects of students in the printing department.

## Asks Favors

When recently a woman was favorably asked to grant a simple favor, she gently replied, "Here's a formula I apply when I need help: I ask myself whether or not I should be happy to do this for someone else. If I should, I don't hesitate to ask."

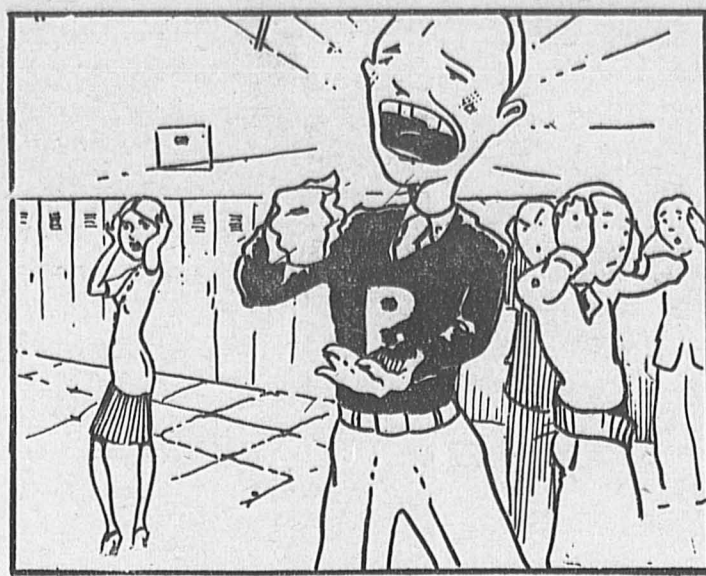
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What's Wrong With Our School?

Who says old P. H. S. has lost all her attractive powers? Although almost every senior utters a sigh of relief when handed a much sought-after diploma, he is usually pretty glad to return to his old haunts and reestablish old friendships, and renew old acquaintanceships.

Many graduates have recently been seen snoop around the halls and classrooms, each one proudly surveying the gift left by his "immortal" class and explaining to some poor deluded sophie, who stands with his mouth hanging agape, how things used to be run when he and the rest

of the important men of America were attending school.

After all, these modern Hannibal's must really approve of the present system of management and the present student body, else why would they return? (We most sincerely beg your pardons, faculty members). Why would they be so interested in helping us to realize how important they are?

But recalling all reflections previously cast, the graduates who return, as you have probably noticed, are usually those who have really done something noteworthy. We're for you, OLD GRADS! Visit us often.

## Sparklets

He was her fourteenth. So she called him Louis.

Love makes the world go round. But so does "one over the eight."

There are only two ways of making everybody watch you: Become either famous or a middle-aged bachelor.

## GEMS OF THOUGHT

The surest road to failure is to do things mechanically.—William Lyon Phelps.

In this world, it is not what we take up but what we give up that makes us rich.—H. W. Beecher.

It is a higher exhibition of Christian manliness to be able to hear trouble than to get rid of it.—H. W. Beecher.

The most important thought I ever had was that of my individual responsibility to God.—Daniel Webster.

All men, if they work not as in the Great Taskmaster's eye, will work wrong, and work unhappily for themselves and for you.—Carlyle.

There are three things that ought to be considered before some things are spoken—the manner, the place and the time.—Robert Southey.

A fortune is usually the greatest the muscles out of the limbs, the brain of misfortunes to children. It takes out of the head, and virtue out of the heart.

If I have but enough for myself and family, I am steward only for myself and them; if I have more, I am but a steward of that abundance for others.—Hebert.

## Information Bureau

Everyone no doubt has heard the saying that "curiosity killed the cat." That may apply to the cat but it doesn't to the commercial law students. The more curious they are the more interesting the subject becomes. At the present, according to Miss Hatton, the petite instructor, the students are wondering as to the subject form of two tests to be given this week over the recently completed first unit in their textbook. The said unit includes two divisions; namely, sources of laws and contracts. Miss Hatton declares there are some very interesting and amusing as well as enlightening discussions carried on among the students. If anyone should have happened to step into this particular class the other day he would have felt sorry for a certain young gentleman known as Thomas Evans. Firmly declares that he once worked for a man who always pre-dated his checks two weeks ahead of time; the result was of course, that he had to wait two weeks to get his one week's wages.

"That's just an example of some of the amusing incidents produced by the pupils," declares Hatton.

## THE WORLD SEEKS

—Men with more ideas than words.  
—Men with opinions that will change, but convictions that will not.  
—Factories that produce men as good as the merchandise.  
—Old worlds to civilize, not new worlds to conquer.  
—A religion of action, not argument.  
—A God who is interested in the smallest trouble of the humblest man.  
—Men who are more afraid of their conscience than of the crowd.

## WONDERS (Not Advertised)

August mornings in the high Sierras.

Sunset on the desert in New Mexico.

Dawn awakening at Monarch Pass in the Rockies.

The government highway through the Mesquero Indian reservation.

Winter evenings at the base of the Catalina mountains.

The subtle tang in the air rising with mist from the San Francisco Bay.

Twilight coming along the sparkling blue Rio Grande at Taos Pueblos.

## Insurance Facts

A mutual insurance company is an organization owned and controlled by its policyholders. All profits are shared among its owners, who are and can only be policyholders. A reciprocal insurance company is an organization working through an attorney-in-fact, to whom is given the power to handle all of the insurance.

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## Another Member of the Nomadic Tribe

The Nomadic race has indeed left its mark in P. H. S. The old saying "once a wanderer, always a wanderer" is very much true according to reports of the various gypsy teachers in our high school.

Miss Costello, the latest addition to our nomadic tribe, is not content to trade rooms once a semester but must change her place of habitation three times every day. Perhaps this would be an ideal situation if she could remember everything she needs for the next class; but as a result of unknown reasons, she seems to be everlastingly missing some important tool as soon as she reports to another room. By the time she arrives, her desire is usually abated and she sends someone else on the errand.

The entire course of her wandering during the day consists of the first three hours on the second floor, the fourth hour in the southwest room on the third floor, and the last two hours in the typing room on the west side of the same floor.

Unfortunately everything that goes up has to come down and at the close of school she must go down to the second floor and report again to her morning room to gather together belongings which she has left behind.

## Dame Rumor Says

Othal Pence has decided that the chemistry room perhaps is not the best place to sleep anyway. Having been caught asleep three times he thinks that there may not be a fourth time in which he will have a chance to explain.

You can't put anything over on Miss Gable anymore. When Friday evening (or Booster day) rolls around she says, "Now what have I done or said this time?"

According to Miss Stephens a hint to the wise should be sufficient. Isn't that so Gene?

"Place my picture by so and so's" may be heard from mostly any passing senior; or maybe it's "Have you got your cards yet? Give me one."

John Scalet nonchalantly walked over to the pencil sharpener in Jordan's room. He heard a "hee-hee" waver over the room. When he turned that he might enjoy the joke also he found that he was the center of attraction. Well, what would anyone do when he discovered the pencil sharpener had been moved to the other side of the room?

Bob Nesch, the flaming, frivolous, fantastic red head has been seen hurriedly dodging in and out of news stands, looking for a Friday Evening Post. It has been heard that when his mother wants to prevent a raid on the ice box, she just sends Bob up town for the Friday Evening Post. This little task will keep him busy, away from all troubles.

"Gee, I'm in a hurry," stated Harold Sinn, as he grabbed a typing chair and would have proceeded to type. Upon taking a second look at the chair, however, he changed his mind. Half of the chair was absent.

## JUSTICE NEEDS MERCY

Justice alone, fundamental as it is, will seldom kindle holiness in a quenched or burns but dimly. It is justice illuminated with mercy that floods the world with ineffable goodness and grace.

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## Activity Calendar

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Faculty Club	21
Junior Class Play	24
P. T. A.	28
City Teachers' Club	April 11
Hi-Y Banquet	18
G. R. Reception	14
Faculty Club	18
P. T. A.	25

## GIRLS GET SENTIMENTAL AND COMPOSE POETRY

They say girls "ain't got no sense," that is the boys think so, but they should have been in Miss Gable's home room on Valentine's Day. All of the girls made up a Valentine poem. There were funny ones, silly ones, sentimental ones, clever ones, pretty ones, romantic ones, good ones, bad ones, and long and short ones. However after some careful selecting these two were chosen as the most outstanding ones:

It's February 14, 1933  
The sun it isn't shining,  
And the sky is very blue;  
But the happy bells are ringing  
Since the postman came at two.  
Hand in hand down by the lake  
Side by side just watch them skate  
There's another busier 'n you 'n me,  
Cupid hasn't forgotten it's February 14, 1933.

—Maude Kuykendall.

In the month of February  
There comes a day  
When love and sweethearts  
Have their play.  
A day on which all loves are told  
Bought, exchanged and even sold.  
A heart with a love token will ne'er  
go astray  
If they'll just peep round on Valentine's day.  
—Eula Sipes.

## STUDYING ONE-ACT PLAY

Pantomimes and reports are weekly features in Mr. Row's dramatic art class at the present. During the last week, Mr. Row has been reading one-act plays to the group. Later in the year he will present these in chapels. The class has been studying the different types of stage settings from the new text book, "The Stage and the School."

## Jewels in Industry

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