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## Way Leads "Lazy Town" Struggles

Hutchinson To Be Papa Roozee; Mae West and Burro Remain Mystery.

Lights! camera! action! Tryouts are over and work on the big production is here for the faculty members.

The treat in store for everyone is getting under way. Was "Way" mentioned? Of course! Miss Harriett Way, the beloved English teacher, has the lead in "Lazy Town" (this means of course the operetta). She will portray the part of Meena Roozee in the production which is scheduled for April 3.

Meena's brother, Peter, is none other than Mr. Ellsworth Briggs. Wait—who's this? No, don't tell; let's guess. Could it be Principal J. L. Hutchinson, taking the part of Papa Roozee, the father of Meena and Peter? Wonder how much gold he will get?

Some of Meena's little girl friends at her tenth birthday party are Miss Mary Nelson, Miss Esther Gable, Miss Anna Fintel, Miss Ferda Hatton, and the "big" director, Miss Maude Laney. They are also what would be called "main chorus" maybe in the long run, the one and only chorus. It was told that they will sing, and dance, and what have you? This chorus might accidentally, out-do the imported talent and that would never do. They better take it sorta easy.

A few of Peter's pals are Mr. Clyde Hartford, Mr. John E. White, and Mr. C. H. Lundquest.

The witch-of-good-luck is still a mystery. Seems funny, but never the less true. By the way, the role of Nellie, the burro, is still a personal argument. Seems as though the argument should be settled by now but it isn't.

Perhaps you're all curious about Mae West. Here's a hint. She's a likeable individual, can sing (to be sure), struts and does ever so many things. Which is only natural isn't it? She would have to be an expert in practically every line to take the part of Mae West wouldn't she?

Mama Roozee, although she hasn't been announced, has some friends who are Miss Florence White, Miss Jessie Bailey, Miss Sara Stephens and Miss Calla Leeka.

The grand quartet will be composed of Mr. Theodore Carnino, Mr. Charles O. Jordan, Mr. M. A. Nation and, as you all know, Mr. Claude I. Huffman. They will more than likely raise the roof, as the old saying goes, but it will come right back down again.

The director is to be and has been complimented many times on her choice of Imps. No offense, just good actors. (Ahem).

Mr. Gerald M. Carney, music instructor, and the orchestra, which worked so intently on "The Mikado," are to have no rest. Their music is to accompany "Lazy Town." Perhaps that's a good thing.

The regular practices are on Monday and Thursday and any other time that can be had. If your teacher refuses to stand, in order to produce facts, forgive him. He's more or less stiff from producing energy by skipping, trotting, running or dipping across the stage. Perhaps the unfortunate thing is the exception to the saying that, "All the world's a stage," for the faculty has but a few feet of floor space in order to show what they can do.

## Pep Club Backs Party

Speedy All-School Skating Fete At Rink Tonight From 10 to 12.

By sponsoring an all-school skating party tonight at the old Business College skating rink from 10 p. m. till 12 p. m., the Pep Club is planning to raise funds for a gift to the school and to give an entertainment.

The tickets for those who wish to attend were sold by the teachers Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for 20¢ each.

The sponsors of the Pep Club, Miss Helen D. Lanyon and Mr. "Fritz" Snodgrass, will be the sponsors of the party.

Upon deciding to sponsor the party, Miss Lanyon and Mr. Snodgrass passed the idea on to Mr. Hutchinson who received the idea favorably.

## UNLUCKY, SUPERSTITIOUS? TODAY'S FRIDAY 13.

If you are superstitious, you had better go home, bolt the doors, and do nothing, for today is Friday, the thirteenth. Be careful of ladders, black cats, and engage in no activity that is not absolutely necessary. Above all do not start on a trip today, for if you do a terrible disaster will surely befall you.

And so run the many warnings that have been handed down for generations. In fact, it has been so long ago nobody knows exactly where and why this superstition originated.

The "unlucky thirteen" has existed for centuries and, although some deny it, still prevails today as evidenced by the obvious avoidance of its use in many cases.

## Four Students Win Advanced Degrees

Highest Debate Honors Are Earned by Dorsey, Marchbanks, Bowman, Adams.

Three senior students and one junior are eligible for the "honor of distinction" and advanced degrees in the National Forensic League, according to the official report from Mrs. Lottye K. McCall, assistant chairman, received by Mr. William H. Row, debate instructor, recently.

The following debaters had previously been awarded the total credit points, according to word received from Bruno E. Jacob, national secretary:

Betty Dorsey, senior, three years of debating, 254 points; Ella Bowman, senior, two years debating, 184 points; Ivan Adams, senior, two years, 127 points; Howard Marchbanks, junior, two years, 113 points.

Eligibility for membership and advanced degrees in the National Forensic League is determined by credit points. Following are the degrees, jewels of degree, and their requirements:

Degree of Distinction, a key or pin with ruby, more than 100 credit points.

Degree of Excellence, key or pin with sapphire, 60 credit points.

Degree of Honor, key or pin with emerald, 30 credit points.

Degree of Merit, unjeweled key or pin, five credit points.

Not only do the students attain points in the Forensic League but their coaches receive one-tenth the number of credit points earned by the students. The points issued to Mr. Row of the Pittsburg school for the previous years were 484.9. The credits awarded for this year are 171.3 making a new total of 656.2, according to Mr. B. E. Jacob of the League.

The seven students eligible for the Honor of Excellence are as follows: Gordon Van Pelt, senior, 97; Mary Montgomery, senior, 94; James Kelly, junior, 79; Jim Hand, junior, 71; James Ritter, senior, 67; Roscoe James, senior, 65; Frankie Collins, senior, 63.

The following eighteen students (Continued on page 4)

## N. F. L. INVITES PITTSBURG TO ENTER SPEECH CONTEST

The National Forensic League of the University of Denver has sent word to Mr. William H. Row, debate instructor, that the chapter of Pittsburg is entitled to enter the national speech tournament at Oklahoma City this spring. The exact wording of the certificate is as follows:

"This is to certify that the chapter at Pittsburg, Kansas, has so taught its students the effective use of the spoken word that it has qualified 100 members and degrees in the National Forensic League, and therefore is entitled to enter one student in any contest in the national speech tournament." This certificate was given by the national president, Karl E. Munat, but came through the national secretary, Bruno E. Jacob.

The speech tournament will be held this year at Oklahoma City.

Mr. Row, said "It is not likely the Pittsburg high school will enter a member since the school hasn't sufficient funds to sponsor such a prolonged and distant trip."

## School To Sponsor Booth In Industrial Show This Month

Carnino Is Chairman of Group Chosen To Plan Display; Miss White in Charge of Decorations; Others To Show Work, Which Will Advertise School.

The high school again this year will have a booth in the annual industrial show which is to be held at the Mirza Temple here, beginning March 25.

Mr. Theodore (Ted) Carnino, woodwork instructor, is chairman of the committee to plan the high school's exhibit. Others who will help are Miss Florence White, art instructor, Miss Calla Leeka, foods instructor, Miss Esther Gable, clothing instructor, Mr. John E. White, printing instructor, Mr. Claude I. Huffman, biology instructor, Mr. Ray Heady, journalism instructor, Mr. Charles O. Jordan, science instructor, Miss Anna D. Costello, of the commercial department and Mr. F. M. Snodgrass, physical education and hygiene instructor.

The woodwork department will construct the booth and Miss White's art students will be in charge of the decorations. The foods classes will display canned jellies this year. The plans are not yet definite but these departments and any others who wish to participate in the exhibit will do so.

Principal J. L. Hutchinson called a meeting Tuesday morning of the committee to discuss the plans of the booth and he is of the opinion that it will be excellent advertisement for the school.

## April 18 Date of Scholarship Test

Byers, King, Lowe, Geldhart, Smith Are Ones Already Chosen To Compete in Contest.

April 18, instead of April 11 as previously stated, is the date of the annual interstate scholarship contest to be held at the College.

Additional entries have been chosen to compete in different divisions of the contest.

Entering in Latin are Paul Byers and Clyde King, juniors, according to Miss Clara Radell, Latin instructor. To vie for the scholarship in American history, Miss Madge Waltz has chosen Harold Lowe, junior. Lowe took first place in hygiene last year.

Also entering in American history is Alec Geldhart, sophomore, chosen by Mr. M. A. Nation.

Mr. Nation will give a preliminary test to the students desiring to enter for American government.

Mr. Theodore Carnino, woodwork instructor, will not enter any students this year although he stated he might enter next year.

Representing the boys' hygiene classes will be Norman Smith, sophomore, Miss Helen Lanyon has not yet chosen the girl who will enter. Miss Lanyon said that she would select the girls entering the physical efficiency test soon.

## Booster Will Enter Six Divisions at K.U.

Newspaper Contest Sponsored by Department of Journalism; Deadline To Be April 1.

The Booster will enter six of the seven divisions of the annual Kansas high school newspaper contest sponsored by the department of journalism of Kansas University, the deadline of which is April 1.

According to the Kansas High School Newspaper all Kansas high schools having newspapers or courses in journalism are invited to enter one or all of the divisions of this year's contest in order to give recognition for superior journalistic work in secondary schools.

Only one entry may be submitted by any one paper in any one division of the contest, but each paper is invited to enter all divisions of the contest, with one entry for each. The divisions of the contest are as follows:

News story, editorial, feature story, human interest story, interview, service to school, and business management. The Booster will not enter the last one.

Three newspaper will be designated as winners in each division. They will be ranked first, second, third, unless the equal merit of the work submitted makes such rating impossible.

The judges, as in former years, are the members of the faculty of the department of journalism.

## DORSEY AND ROW HONORED IN FORENSIC LEAGUE WORK

Mr. William H. Row, debate coach, and Betty Dorsey, senior, were honored by having their names appear in the February decade of leaders in National Forensic League work.

Mr. Row's name appeared fifth for the debate teachers of the United States and Betty Dorsey's name appeared sixth among the student debaters.

## REDDICK GETS COMPLETE GEOGRAPHY COURSE.

Does Anne Reddick know her geography? If she doesn't she certainly should.

She was sitting in Mr. William H. Row's room chattering away absent mindedly—when she found herself surrounded by Europe—not materially—literally.

The map on the wall became tired of hanging so map No. 1 fell on her unsuspecting head and rolled down over map No. 2, her face.

Leonard Sellmansburger, sophie, turned Lochinvar, and, dashing madly across the room, pulled Anne from under the war clouds of Europe.

## New Royalty Will Take Throne Soon

Date for Finals Is Changed from Last Monday to Next Week; Announcement Surprise.

Winners in the Purple & White king and queen contest will be announced in assembly "sometime next week," according to Principal J. L. Hutchinson.

At that time the two candidates with the most votes from sales of Purple & Whites will be declared royal rulers of the high school for 1936. Six candidates, two from each class, entered the finals of the contest on March 2. At that time the final phase of the race was scheduled to end last Monday, but later was continued for one week.

The royal honor will descend on two of the following representatives: Seniors, Marshall Chambers and Catherine McNeill; juniors, Jack Morgan and Nadine Hirni; sophomores, Bill Magie and Maxine Douglas.

No bulletins of the progress of the campaign have been issued by the yearbook staff during the campaign, so that the announcement will come as a complete surprise.

## Massey Speaks Today

Commercial Professor of College Invited by Miss Costello.

The speaker for today's assembly was J. U. Massey, of the College. Margaret Myers, senior, and Louise Booker, junior, sang solos. Jane Majors, junior, gave a reading.

Miss Anna D. Costello, commercial teacher, was in charge of the program for today.

Envoy Walter W. Jeffery of Detroit furnished entertainment for a special assembly yesterday. He is a blind musician brought here by the Salvation Army and introduced by Mrs. G. A. Furman.

Music, songs, and a comedy composed the following program:

Piano solo, "Purpose Firm," vocal solo, "Deep in the Mine"; vocal solo, "Little Mother of Mine"; a novelty number which he called "Talking Piano"; vocal solo, "The Smile Song."

## Picture To Be Shown

Hershey Will Present Circus Show At 3:30 Next Thursday.

"A Day With The Circus," a moving picture will be presented at 3:30 next Thursday in the high school auditorium.

Lew Hershey, veteran circus clown, is in charge of the production which resembles a circus setting. An especially built projector will be used to throw actual circus photographs on the screen.

Students and adults are invited to attend. The admission price will be ten cents to all, part of the money to go to a school fund.

## FACULTY CLUB POSTPONES MEETING TO HEAR CHUBB

The regular meeting of the Faculty Club has been postponed until March 24 when Dr. James S. Chubb of Baker University at Baldwin will be the guest of honor and the principal speaker.

The meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. White, printing instructor, 314 East Quincy.

The host will be assisted by Miss Effie Farmer, Miss Mary Nelson, Miss Helen D. Lanyon, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Jordan.

## Conductor Judged "The Mikado" Best

Opera Declared Successful from Standpoint of Choruses, Orchestra, Acting.

"Production of 'The Mikado' last Friday and Saturday nights in the auditorium here," said Mr. Gerald M. Carney, music instructor, "was the best of the series of three comic operas we have had."

"From the standpoint of the acting, the choruses, and orchestra, and the size of the audiences 'The Mikado' was quite successful."

Although complete returns from the ticket sale are not available, Mr. Carney feels sure that "The Mikado" was more successful financially than either the "Pirates of Penzance" last year and "H. M. S. Pinafore" in 1934.

Jack Forbes proved to be the leading salesman by selling 50 tickets.

Mr. Carney wishes to thank everyone who helped in any way with the production. "It seems that every faculty member helped or asked to help in working out the intricate details of the opera."

Miss Ferda Hatton took charge of the ticket sales, while Mr. Claude I. Huffman's biology students found some cherry trees for the scenery.

Miss Esther Gable's classes served for scenery and Miss Calla Leeka heated glue for the artists.

Members of Mr. Theodore Carnino's woodwork classes and Miss Florence White's art department were responsible for making Ko-Ko's snickersnee.

Mr. M. A. Nation acted as "stage boss" while Miss Hatton, Miss Harriett Way, Mr. C. H. Lundquest, Miss Helen D. Lanyon, Miss Maude Laney, Mr. John White, Mr. Ellsworth Briggs, and Miss Anna Fintel aided the make-up crew in preparing the cast.

The Student Council under the direction of Miss Effie Farmer took charge of programs and ushering.

Arthur Blair, senior, acted as prompter.

Mr. Charles O. Jordan and some of his students wired the lights for the orchestra.

In addition to these mentioned many students helped in all ways possible.

"Both Mr. Hutchinson and I were so pleased," said Mr. Carney "that we are already planning for a 2-night performance of 'The Chimes of Normandy' (Planuett) next year."

## Bitter Tears Over Grade Cards Due To Balm Spring

"Listen, my children, and you shall hear—" Only this time it is not the "Midnight ride of Paul Revere." In this case you will probably hear groans all around you, hear surprised exclamations, and not pleasant surprises either, and upon looking up probably see the very longest face you have ever looked upon. For another evidence that spring is here, are the sorrowful tales that the grade cards tell.

The neglected lessons, the long, dreamy hours on balmy afternoons, and the final spurge of activity that some how or other failed to atone for the wasted hours of idleness.

Even that sweet smile to the teacher, and the friendly chat after class seemed to be effort in vain, for the grade cards still bear out the sad, sad story.

And when, and if, the grade cards are carried home by reluctant students, there will be one long lecture with "mama" and "dada" the principals and a final resolve, with "Tommy" staying home nights and getting his lessons. This all happens for the first week, during which time, the bewildered teacher does not know whether to rejoice or compel an examination, by a competent physician.

But the instructor need not go so far. That was only the first week, and then spring begins to take effect. First by a far-away look in the victim's eyes, then gazing out the window at intervals, and absolute inattention; and finally a restlessness that completely overwhelms.

With the "look of a dying calf" in his eyes and a tearful note in his voice he gazes at his grade card and sighs. "Ah it might have been—had it not been spring."