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England To Head Booster Staff

Virginia England was elected editor-in-chief of the Booster for the second six-weeks term in a meeting of the Journalism class last Friday, Oct. 31.

Page editors are Dorothy Hodge, Mitzi Angwin, Mary Jean Periman, and Richard Slinkman for first, second, third, and fourth pages respectively.

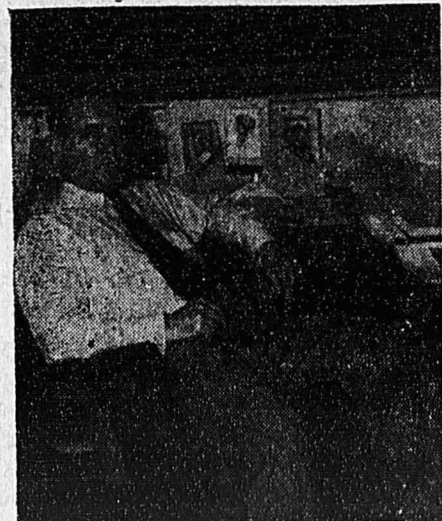
Exchange editor is Lois Rae Taylor. Donna Ross will take over the job of proof reading and managing surveys. Richard Lance will write up sports. Wanda Wall will be in charge of art.

Circulation manager is Barbara Biddle. Marvin Gilbreath will take over the duties of business manager with Martha Gintzell as advertising manager.

Towner Gives Views On Job Qualifications

"Someday, sooner or later, almost every student in high school will find it necessary to seek employment," said Mr. Towner, manager of Penney's Store. When asked what qualities a student should possess for any type of work, Mr. Towner replied, "First of all a student must have character. Included in this category is honesty and industry. A spirit of co-operation is also important to make a business function as it should.

An employee must realize that his main job is to serve the public and say the customer is right



Mr. Towner

even when he's wrong.

Confidence in himself and in fellow workers brings about an efficient business and is an essential quality. A person who acts as if he knows what he is doing has the ability for leadership and one who trusts others to do their job well will certainly go far in any field of endeavor he may choose."

Camera Club Plans Extensive Activities

With plans for programs, contests, and displays to be taken care of, Photography Club members have a busy schedule.

Gordon Hammick, scheduled speaker for the Photography Club Wednesday, did not arrive for the meeting in the visual education room. However, Mr. Cline, sponsor, filled in with a motion picture used by the junior high classes.

Contest plans were presented by contest chairman, Judy Veatch and a deadline for Nov. 19 set. Winners will be announced at the Nov. 26 meeting and the Booster will probably print the winning pictures of the first contest.

Members have been asked to contribute pictures for a display uptown during National Education week. These pictures will be made a uniform size by members with a uniform size by members with developers at school.

Camera 'Nabs' Terrace-Hoppers



Annette Brown is the terrace-hopper in the picture. The other person is merely a publicity hound.

"Soo-o-o Bossy!" How many students find their pictures notable? Elmer Club" formed last year? Names of students making cow-paths across the terrace were printed in the pages of the Booster. This year it's their pictures, no less! Of course, these pictures will be taken secretly.

Today when a few unknowing students find their pictures notoriously plastered in a scandal ap-

Dr. Mueller Presents Hints On Good Health

Dr. Mueller, city physician, leaned back in his comfortable chair, lighted his pipe, and began to explain the duties of his office. "My chief job is to direct and keep the city in the best of health."

It is Dr. Mueller's duty also to see that quarantines are enforced, so that contagious diseases will not be spread. He said that there have been no epidemics during the past year and there have been comparatively few cases of infectious diseases.

"Another of my duties," he stated, "is to be sure that all food-handlers are free of disease so as to protect people who eat at restaurants. Also I must see that milk and ice cream are up to state requirements."

The story was related by Dr. Mueller of a veteran from the South Pacific who came home with a contagious island disease. If this boy's condition had not been discovered and treated promptly both he and the people he contacted might have suffered greatly.

It is the city physician's duty to see that all contagious, social, and infectious diseases are treated.

Dr. Mueller has given some hints on how to get rid of colds. He said, "Stay at home and get plenty of rest and the cold will break up more quickly. People should consume as many liquids as possible. In many cases it is advisable to see one's family physician as a strept throat may result."

"A good way to keep from getting a cold," he concluded, "is to get plenty of rest. High school students, shouldn't try to burn the candle at both ends,"

Eleventh Hour Draws Near For All Yearbook Photos

"PHS'ers have 21 days in which to get their pictures taken for the Purple and White," stated Miss Marsh. The staff would greatly appreciate it if this matter were taken care of immediately.

Students who possess interesting snapshots of PHS scenes may still have them printed in the yearbook. They may be turned in to Miss Marsh in room 218.

"It is up to the students how many pages of snapshots the Purple and White will have," Miss Marsh continued, "For the past week the staff has been taking pictures of the various departments."

cross the pages of the Booster, maybe, just maybe, they'll mend their ways. Mr. Green and a few others hope so.

The newly organized "Kiddies Kow Klub" will be watching for for members. "Soo-o-o Bossy" is the deriding cat-call to follow the offenders wherever they go.

When asked the question, "Is you is or is you ain't a member," let's you and me be two that ain't.

Council Serves PHS With Babson Posters

"The hours called success is built of integrity, industry, interest and initiative. Its foundation is good character." Students will find such sayings as this as they enter the two front doors on second floor. The posters will be hung on the two front auditorium doors.

Student Council has taken over this project as another service to the students. These are in a series of Babson's Character Posters. Each week a new poster will be displayed.

Messages given on these posters were taken from the writings of world-famous industrial, educational and literary leaders. Students will find many hints helpful to them in directing their lives.

Nicholson Gets Role of 'Henry' In Junior Play 'What A Life'

Bill Nicholson will take the part of Henry Aldrich in the Junior play, "What A Life" scheduled for Dec. 11 at the Senior High School.

Esther Green is cast in the feminine lead of Barbara Pearson with Bruce Myers as George Bigelow. Henry's arch-enemy, 'Jake' Clanton as Miss Shee-the principals sec-

retary, and John Williams as M. Nelson - assistant principal.

Supporting Roles Chosen

Other characters are: Mr. Paterson, history teacher - Richard Chiapetta; Miss Pike, gym teacher - Joan Greef; Bill-Tom Van Horn - Miss Eggleston, teacher-Phyllis Nelson; Miss Johnson, teacher-Mary Carole White; Mr. Vecchitto-Bill Belew; and Gertie-Jo Partin.

Mr. Bradley, principal-Bill Nelson; Miss Wheeler, music teacher-Kathleen Bradrick; Mrs. Aldrich-Jackie Batten; Ferguson, policeman-Bill England; and Mary-Pat Brady. Students are Pasty Epperson, Cheri Montgomery, Billie Jun Smith, Norma Wilson, Jo Ann Turner, Marion Beaver, Diane Walker, Ruth Sutterfield, Miriam Atkins, Constance Atkins, Jack Ross, Charles Longo, and Bill Fields.

Combined Efforts Make Play

The Junior Class sponsors, Miss Nelson and Mr. Sutton, the class officers, and the Junior Class will be active in making the play a success. Details of management, publicity, and advertising must all be taken care of. "It will be possible for everyone to have a part in the production," stated Mr. Tewell. Rehearsals will start Monday.

Schools To Recess For Teachers Meet

"Happy day" could be the cry of students due to their two-day vacation while teachers are attending the Eighty-fourth Annual Session of the Kansas State Teachers Association in six Kansas cities.

Meetings will be held Thurs. and Fri. Nov. 6-7, in the following cities: Independence, Dodge City, Salina, Wichita, Topeka and Hays. Most PHS teachers are going to the Independence session.

In the Round Table Discussions a few Pittsburg teachers will preside as chairmen: Claude I. Huffman, biology; Fred S. Jarvis, commerce; and F. E. Ludlum, mathematics.

Tewell Discusses Teaching Problems

"Teaching Experiences in Speech and English" was the title chosen by Mr. Tewell for his speech which he gave to the speech and English majors at KSTC this afternoon in Russ Hall.

In his talk Mr. Tewell brought out some of the mistakes which are commonly made by the beginning speech and English teacher. During his speech he presented some of the new trends which have been initiated into the teaching profession.

Extra-curricular activities as debate, coaching class plays, assembly program, pep skits, etc. were brought forth as a part of the requirements placed on speech and English teachers. At the close of his talk Mr. Tewell opened the session for a period of questions and answers.

Coming Events

- * Thursday, Nov. 3—Students dismissed for 2 days
- * Friday, Nov. 8—Teachers meeting
- * Saturday, Nov. 8—PHS plays Independence here
- * Tuesday, Nov. 11—Student Council Meeting
- * Wednesday, Nov. 12—Photography Club holds meeting
- * Thursday, Nov. 13—Y—Teen and Hi—Y meeting; snake dance
- * Friday, Nov. 14—PHS plays Columbus there.

Brass Ensemble To Appear On Nov. 13

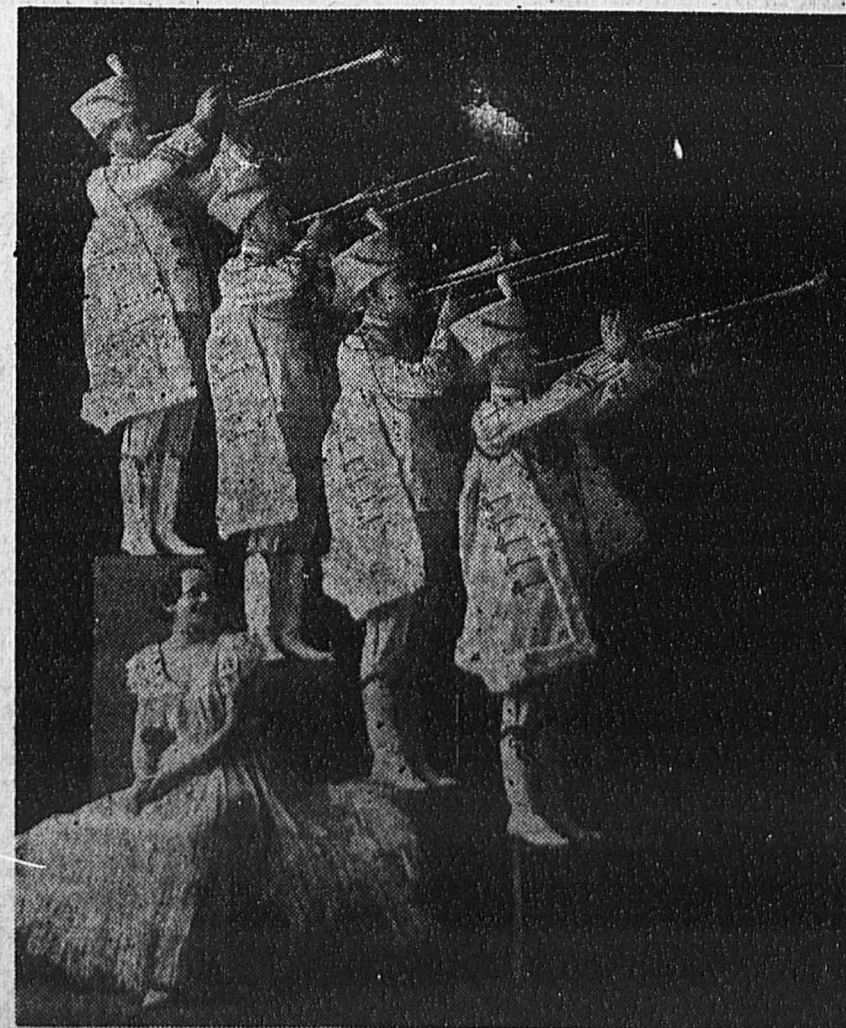
Hussars Will Give Musical Assembly

Petrie's White Hussars, a symphonic brass ensemble, will appear in assembly Thursday, Nov. 13. This is the second assembly paid for by the school.

According to advance information, each member of this group is an outstanding artist, having an unusual cultural and musical background, supplemented by years of study and experience in his respective field.

"Playing classics from the master composers, standard overtures and grand and comic selections in medley form both as ensemble and solo numbers," Herbert Petrie and his White Hussars thrilled a large audience with a concert which will be long remembered," was the comment made by the South Bend Tribune in South Bend, Ind.

Advertising literature states that the Hussars are dressed in trim and snappy white and gold hussar uniforms. Stage technique, poise, graceful coordination of movement and clock-like precision blend into a picture as delightful to the eye as the music is to the ear.



PETRIE'S WHITE HUSSARS

THROUGH THE MINE

Participation In Early School Life Garners Dividends For Students

Who are the leaders in any school? Those who sit on the sidelines, or those who participate? The answer is obvious, of course. But sometimes it isn't so obvious that one doesn't have to be a brain or the most popular boy or girl in school to take part in things successfully. Teachers and students alike appreciate the person who is quick to offer his services for any job he can do—large or small. It is the person who is at the right place at the right time doing the right thing, however insignificant it may be, that will eventually take command in the big, often-envied jobs.

To be a leader requires ability—such a small word, but so important. Ability is comprised of an infinite number of qualities, all of which, sometimes, cannot be obtained. But the most important of which can be—merely a willingness to work.

Also there are other compensations to participation besides the "big-dog" part. Just why does anybody ever bother to take the incentive, anyway? A great deal of pleasure can be derived from watching a plan come to life by one's own labor, and a sense of companionship and friendliness can be obtained through working with a group.

School life often seems complicated, but it's only the prelude to a much more complex life. If one can early develop a liking for responsibility, the dividends are innumerable. And in doing this, one may earn the title of citizen—of his home, community, and world.

Dorothy Hodge

Object of Food Saving Campaign Is Conservation Of Grain For Europe

Will the next war originate in the garbage can? Will food wasted by the American people within the next three months force hungry millions abroad to rise up in battle against neighbors who have turned their backs to their needs in time of distress?

Questions similar to these have brought President Truman and other top government officials to the realization that something must be done and immediately. As a result President Truman lighted the fuse of action by launching a food-saving campaign in a recent address to the American people. He declared that if America doesn't want to see her boys once again fall on the already blood-drenched battle fields of the world, every red-blooded American must declare war against hunger. Countries of Europe will need at least 500,000,000 bushels of grain this winter if they are to escape the ravages of hunger, disease and starvation. It has been estimated that only a little more than 400,000,000 bushels of grain can be shipped this year if immediate steps are not taken.

Charles Luckman, who has recently been appointed chairman of the voluntary food conservation program, made the statement that this savings must be accomplished within the next three months if it is to be available in time to alleviate the impending hunger which hovers over Europe this winter. Consequently the weight of the problem falls on the shoulders of the American housewife and family.

Slogans such as "Meatless Tuesday," "Poultryless Thursday," "Save a slice of bread a day!" and "Bread and butter only on request!" have already struck a blow in the American household. According to a recent Gallup poll, 93 per cent of the persons in the first week knew about the program, but less than half observed the President's plea.

If efforts to combat this problem are not made voluntarily, immediate action is expected to come from congress soon after it convenes in November, for the reinitiation of rationing into the American kitchen. It is hoped that such drastic measures will not be needed.

Although everyone may not be able to have all the bread and T-bones he desires, Americans are expected to rise up again as they have in the past in the time of crisis, against the home-front enemy, waste.

But the battle can only be won with the support of each person in there pitching.

Virginia England

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'Going On Sixteen' Is Account Of Girls, Dogs, And Adventures

"Going on Sixteen by Betty Cavanna is an ideal fiction book for teen-age girls," stated Betty Jane Toombs with a twinkle in her eye. "This is a story about Julie who is on her way to sixteen, and as all girls have their troubles, so does Julie," continued Betty.

Teen-Age Recipes Are Sweet, Sticky

"Things teen-agers eat would kill a dead man!" is the remark often made by adults who just haven't tasted some of the delicacies these future "homemakers" whip up.

They can decide for themselves after reading two recipes taken from the Sub-Deb page, "Whats Cooking?" in the October issue of Ladies Home Journal.

Youth Has Sweet Tooth

In a survey taken recently, most teen agers prefer food and recipes that are sweet and sticky. Stick to their stomachs? Huh-uhn!

First recipe: Sub - Deb Delight: 3 lb. marshmallows, 1 1/2 c. crushed pineapple, 2c. heavy cream, 2 tbsp. powdered sugar. Cut marshmallow in quarters, drain pineapple, mix in well and stand in ice box overnight. Before serving, whip cream, add powdered sugar, fold into fruit and marshmallow mixture and marshmallow mixture and and chill. Good! Hm-n?

Girls Find Date-Bait

Now, what to feed that favorite date that'll lead the way straight to his heart. The Bait-a-date Sandwich: Spread slices of whole wheat bread generously with peanut butter. Cover with slices of banana, raisins or dates, and top with second slice of bread. Jam spread on that second slice would be good. Delicious with hot coca or iced lemonade.

Before people make dire predictions about the future housewives, they'd better taste some of these little tidbits. Boys really like'em.

Pet Peeves

Range From Very Serious To Ridiculous

"Do YOU have a pet peeve?" was one of the many questions ask in the recent Booster Survey. About 340 of the 467 students of PHS do. These peeves range from Bill Nelson's, "answering questions like these," to the awful task of "listening to JACK VERCOLLIO practice his clarinet," which is JIM MITCHELL's pet peeve.

GLEN HASTINGS says he doesn't like "dogs who run out and mangle poor paper boys, (me)."

Sixteen people agreed with JERRY DAVIDSON'S vehement reply, "The uppercrust snobs. They

Julie, a shy little girl, lives with her father on a farm, and isn't very active in doing things with people her age. However, as she cares for her dogs as a hobby, she keeps herself busy.

As Julie works with her dogs, she finds that Sonny is her favorite. He was left in Julie's car; and while he is there, she teaches him many things, and he grows fond of her. Sonny's master comes for him and enters him in a dog show. Sonny won't perform at his master's word. However, Julie skipped school just to see Sonny perform, and when she saw he wasn't acting right, she gave a command and he obeyed.

"You really get an extra thrill from this book, as you actually feel that you are doing these things yourself," concluded Betty.

Old Comedy Plot Has Unusual Twist

On your mark, get set, we're off on another of Hollywood's rat races about America's youth. Booked for the Midland between the dates of November 6-9, this one is called "The Bachelor and the Bobby-Soxer," with Cary Grant and a grown-up Shirley Temple in the title roles.

Though the film is well cast, the situations are overdrawn to the point of ridiculousness. Like many movies, plays, and radio programs of today, it gives a distorted view of the American teen-ager. Perhaps there are a few such characters running around without their keepers, but they are in a minority. A few amusing scenes are scattered through the picture such as the picnic episode. A notable example of technical skill is the scene in which Shirley Temple's imagination dresses Cary Grant in a shining suit of armor while the others see him dressed as usual. The music dubbed to this scene is especially effective.

Marvin Gilbreath

The Strip Pit

BY Ima Digger

Hungry Turtle

Just what do you feed a turtle? Any suggestions would be mighty helpful. The Journalism Room seems to have acquired a tiny orphan turtle.

HAROLD RAY, 9th grade English student, saw fit to place this cute baby in the hands of P.H.S. students.

With almost 500 foster parents to feed him, he just can't go hungry!

Teacher Takes Wings

Mrs. Lewis and her daughter, Patty, flew from Kansas City to New Concord, Ohio last Thursday morning. Mrs. Lewis has flown several times and thinks its tops; however, this was Patty's first trip by air. They went to visit Esther Grace Lewis who is attending college there. Mrs. Lewis and Patty will return sometime today, so Mrs. Lewis will be able to attend the Teacher's convention.

Jersey Holds Secret

Last Monday morning RONALD DEEMS caused HUGH SPENCER considerable embarrassment. It seems that Ronald innocently began to unwrap Spencer's purple football jersey when it was suddenly jerked from his hands by Hugh.

He wondered what could have been wrapped in that jersey to cause Hugh to turn such a brilliant shade of red.

Really Hypnotized?

Hypnotism is a good trick if you can do it, but who can? At the Colonial theater Spook Show week before last four fine specimens of PHS manhood were supposedly hypnotized by the magician appearing there. JERRY DAVIDSON, BILL RADFORD, and BILL NICHOLSON admit the utter falseness of it, but GLEN HOLLY still maintains that he was hypnotized.

How much did the guy pay you, Glen?

Peat Coal-Just A Miner

Blundering Peat Makes Usual Mistake



Watch This Space For Further Adventures of Peat Coal

Bi Tuminous

Friendly Parent-Teacher Chats Aid In Mutual Understanding

In the present day world parent-teacher relations seem to be going by the way-side. In olden times, when the teacher stayed in the pupil's home or even taught there, these relations were much better, and the teacher found that she could cope with little Johnny's problem much easier when "mama and papa" knew what was going on at school.

In this modern world the motto seems to be "and never the twain shall meet." This rule is broken only if Junior has failed a subject, skipped school, or shot a paper-wad at the teacher. This is a rather poor time to break the rule for both parent and teacher are likely to be "at each others throats." Mama and papa will hold up for their little darling and Miss Snodgrass will maintain just and equal rights for teachers. They are't going to get a very good impression of each other and very likely won't understand Junior.

How could a scene such as this be avoided? Well, first, if the parent and teacher had had friendly little chats all during the school year and had tried to understand the student both at HOME and at SCHOOL, he very probably wouldn't have broken a window in the first place.

The logical time to develop better parent-teacher relations is during National Education Week. What is started this week should be continued throughout the year. Parents, why not look at the exhibits of the various departments, come to the program and have a talk with the teacher?

Both parent and teacher may find it interesting and enjoyable. But more than this it should lead to the betterment of home and school life and the proper understanding of the PARENT, the TEACHER, the SCHOOL, and the CHILD.

Mary Jean Periman

Machine Shop Is Complete Unit

Pittsburg can look forward to a good crop of machinists and mechanics if the now budding crop in Mr. Sutton's machine shop-classes is any sign of the future.

Of the six periods two are devoted to Auto Mechanics and four are Machine Shop classes. Boys who take either subject are required to take two hours of it. The average number in classes is ten.

Since last year the shop, which most students know is located south east of the Roosevelt building, has added, in the way of new equipment, a cylinder dial gauge, a set of micrometers, and a hoist, made in the shop.

At the present time the Auto Mechanics classes are overhauling two cars, a Buick and a Dodge, and have already investigated the workings of a Ford Model A. The General Machine Shop classes are

making machinists clamps and ball pin hammers.

Mr. Sutton, teacher of these classes, is beginning his second year at PHS this year. This summer he worked at Spicer's garage doing much the same type of work as the members of his class are learning to do.

Shop Prepares For Winter

"I think," commented Mr. Sutton, "that we have a nice shop and in years to come I think it will improve." The shop has sufficient equipment for complete instruction in the two subjects taught by Mr. Sutton.

In anticipation of Old Man Winter four over head gas heaters have been installed. Since there is no ceiling in the Quonset Hut, other than the top, the shop will be hard to heat. If the weather becomes too cold classes will be moved into the main building.

School Departments Will Display Work

Next week is mama's and ...papa's chance to see just what their little darlings are doing in school. In short, it's National Education Week.

Once a year during the week in which Nov. 11 falls, National Education Week is recognized. Most schools try to observe it in some special way. This year from November 9-15 P.H.S. chose to organize an all-school exhibit to be featured in Penney's window down town.

Each department is invited to collect and arrange an exhibit to be displayed.

A deadline of not later than Wednesday, November 5 is set for all material to be turned in to the journalism room.

School-sponsored clubs, such as H-Y and Y-Teen, are also asked to present an exhibit.

The art department, under the supervision of Miss White, has offered to help by making posters for other departments, in addition to its own display.

Students To Give Radio Skit Nov. 14

To highlight the activities of National Education Week, a 15 minute skit will be enacted on the senior high school stage next Friday Nov. 14.

This play, under the direction of Mr. Tewell, will portray the theme of a radio studio broadcast. Actually this same program will be broadcast at a later date on the local station, KSEK.

The public address system will be connected to the stage and the performance will be complete with microphones and dialogue sheets which the performers will hold.

The members of the dramatic and speech classes will perform in the skit but no definite character assignments have been made.

Mr. Cline has charge of the broad cast of the skit over the radio. Grade and junior high school as well as senior high school plan to present skits", stated Mr. Cline.

Illiteracy Of Draftees Starts Movement For National Ed. Week

The origin of American Education Week dates back to the years following World War I. This movement grew out of conditions revealed by the draft of American boys and men.

Students-Society Form Partnership

Lowell A. Small
Superintendent of Schools

Have you heard? — of course you have — that every parent and patron is being invited to visit the schools in Pittsburg during American Education Week. Just a general invitation to "come and see us sometime" will not be the pattern for this occasion. A specific time in the evening has been arranged at which time adults are asked to come to school.

You as an individual will probably never be discussed when Mom and Dad get together with teacher, so you need not be reluctant to urge their attendance. We do, however, want Mom and Dad to see the school you attend and learn more about what is done inside. You see, Mr. or Miss Student, your Mom and Dad have a double-barreled kind of interest in this school business—they have your personal interests at heart, and then not to be overlooked is the fact that they are called upon to pay the bill. They are entitled to know what goes

As American Education Week serves to better acquaint your parents with your school, it is not out of place to address a word to you also. Our society maintains schools because it has always been considered the right of an individual in our country to have an educational opportunity. Am I correct in emphasizing that the right to an education at society's expense also implies a corresponding duty to the individual to look upon that opportunity as a privilege of which he should make the most?

If society provides the right to education you have the correlative duty to make the fullest use of it.

Students should realize that they are partners in a great social enterprise. Where but in a land such as ours, does the future rest so much on the willingness of each of the partners to accept his full responsibility?

The future citizen must recognize his moral obligation to become intelligent at the same time the adult citizen is called upon to accept his responsibilities.

All summed up it comes to this — American Education Week would be a good time for a student to decide to do his best instead of coasting.



Fourth Annual Booster Talent Show To Have Variety Program On Nov. 20

If it's talent, it's from PHS. This is an invitation to everyone who reads the Booster to come to the Talent Show Nov. 20 at 8:00 p. m., in the auditorium.

Be sure to tell your folks about it! Don't let them miss this galaxy of

It was shown that about one-fourth of those called to serve their country were physically unfit and that an equal number were illiterate.

Hoping to arouse the American people to the fact that education is essential in a democracy one week of every year was set aside as Education Week. The purpose was to renew the public's interest in schools and to see that this interest did not wane in the course of time.

American Education Week is sponsored by the National Education Association, the American Legion, the United States Office of Education and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers with the cooperation of lay and religious groups.

Parents Invited To PHS Nov. 12

Parents who plan to come to the high school on Nov. 12 for the special National Education Week program have a varied and interesting evening in store.

Beginning at 7:30 there will be a general assembly in the high school auditorium. Mr. Green, principal, will give the welcoming speech to make the parents feel more at home. A film on class room work will also be shown. The mixed chorus of the high school, directed by Mr. Johnson, will perform by singing several selections.

After this assembly, visitors may then go to the various rooms in both senior and junior high schools. There they will look at various exhibits on display and meet the different teachers.

Refreshments will be served in the library during the evening. All activities are expected to be finished by 9:30, making an enjoyable two hours for everyone.

Students are welcome to come with their parents.

In American's Future Education Important

National Education Week celebrates its 27 anniversary this Nov. 9. This year and extensive program has been planned throughout the nation to focus the attention of the public on the importance of education.

The world situation of today makes it necessary that the youth of this country be prepared for the future. Complicated conditions have risen and will continue to do so.

These conditions bring about two vital questions which might well set the stage for the 1947 observance of American Education Week. They are: "What will the adult world of today's children be like?" — "How well-prepared will they be to carry out the missions of their day?"

The duty of parents and teachers is to see that today's children are well prepared.

To more fully emphasize the responsibility of the people for the welfare of the public schools, a general theme will be carried out. Just four words that state simply a truth so often overlooked—"The Schools Are Yours."

top high school entertainers.

Glen Clugston's Band will be featured with acts such as whistling, dancing, elocution, arobatics, singing, instrumental solos, and a comedy team.

For an enjoyable evening spend it at the Booster Talent Show.

Education In 1970 Mrs Nosy Views Modern - Progressive Schools

Walking with short, feminine steps, due more to the length and tightness of her skirt than to her daintiness, Mrs. I. M. Nosey approached the steps of Alcasings High School. Today was visitor's day and her darling girl, Mergatroide had brought home to her an invitation from a teacher, Miss Legree.

This was the first time Mrs. Nosy had ever been to Mergatroide's school. It was said to be the most progressive in the United States, though exactly what that meant Mrs. Nosy observed a peculiar thing. Lining the halls were sea's where two could squeeze in nicely. She was later informed that romance was encouraged in the school and that the Board of Education has had these "love seats" installed

a year ago as a peace offering to the students who resented having to stand in the halls and hold hands.

As she approached the principal's office, sweet music greeted her ears. It was the latest recording of "June Wore Her Girdle Too Tight," better known as "June Is Busting Out All Over." Oh, yes! She remembered now that Mergatroide had mentioned that music was played over the P. A. system to stimulate the students' mind. Well, she wouldn't bother Mr. Whacker-cracker, the principal right now. He was too busy dancing with his secretary.

At the end of the hall Mrs. Nosy saw a sign reading "Miss Legree." She opened the door underneath the sign and walked into the classroom. It was so quiet a pin would

have been afraid to drop! Miss Legree smiled and walked over to explain the day's lesson to Mrs. Nosy. The students were busy with some sort of experiment.

"It's a new type bomb," explained Miss Legree. "They are going to blow up the school a week from Monday. We, the teachers, believe actual experimentation is much better than the explanations we can give. This way the students have a chance to see for themselves the effect of the experiment."

Such a change from the days of yesterday when Mrs. Nosy was just plain Myrtle Scoopshovel! With a sigh Mrs. Nosy turned to leave and Miss Legree started to follow in order to talk further with Mrs. Nosy.

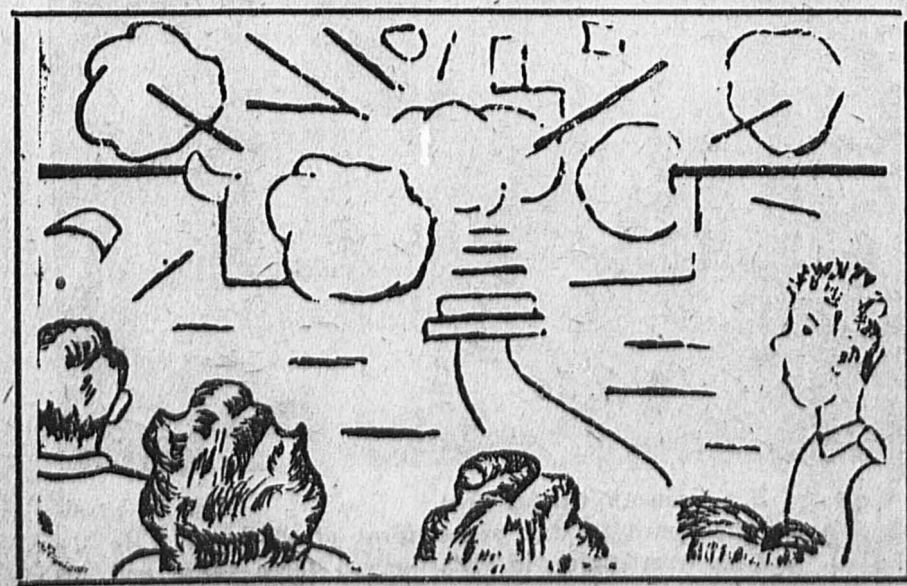
Suddenly there was a tremendous uproar in the class. Mrs. Nosey turned and saw that two girls were holding Miss Legree's skirt tail and two boys had her lassoed around the neck. Evidently the students had been so grieved at Miss Legree's leaving, meaning they would have to stop working, that they decided to keep her there—by force if necessary!

Such desire for knowledge had never before shown its face in front of Mrs. Nosy. With a confident smile she turned and walked out of the school.

She guessed she had been born 50 years too soon and she must remember to tell Mergatroide to appreciate her chance for progressive schooling.

Martha Jane Gintzell

Chemistry Students Tryout New Bomb



Libraries Offer Much To Youth

Few people know the origins of the high school library and the trying days through which it had to survive before attaining its position as an important factor in modern education. Interesting as its history has been, little has been written or said about it.

Dating back to 1740, one may find the first reference to high school or secondary libraries in the chronicles of Benjamin Franklin when he suggested the establishing of a library in his plans for an academy. History does not disclose whether this wish was carried out, but nevertheless it did provide criteria for the beginning of one of education's most valuable natural resources.

New York Leads Movement

Later may be found so called libraries in private schools, but not until the nineteenth century did the United States fully realize the responsibility of schools in establishing school libraries. New York proved to be the leader in this movement. Great advocates for the foundation of secondary school libraries included Governor Thomkins and Governor DeWitt, both governors of New York state.

Post War Libraries Fail

During the Civil War and post-war period, the initiation of school libraries took a downward slide in advancement. There were various reasons for this. Much of the failure can be attributed to the selection of books and administration. At this time education in secondary schools was text-book centered. As a result novels and leisure reading were prohibited within the shelves of the school library consequently lack of interest upon the part of the readers resulted.

The year 1876 is generally considered the starting point of the modern library movement. It was during this year that the first government report on libraries was made. Melvil Dewey founded the American Library Association also at this time.

Secondary school libraries as they are known today are really twentieth century developments. With the turn of the century, there is a marked increase in the number of high school libraries and trained library staffs. Although during the early part of the twentieth century collection were still mostly delegated for use as supplementary reading in English classes, the school library was on the up-grade.

Today in the United States the number of school libraries and volumes in libraries is five to six times as great as they were at the turn of the century. As may be seen the American secondary school library has joined the ranks as a cardinal factor in the education of the American youth of today.

P.H.S. Readers Find Book Shelves Full

If the clock could be turned back about eight years, no student would be able to recognize the high school library.

There were no trained librarians in 1939 and only \$310 was allotted for the expenses of maintaining books, repairing old ones and for the general maintenance of the library. This figure is to be compared with the 1947 allotment of Teachers supervised the library which at that time was mostly a study hall. It contained only a minimum of book material and periodicals were practically unknown.

New trained librarians oversee the organization of the library. Mr. Morey has eight hours of library required by the state of Kansas. He also has a master degree in social science. Miss Oliver has a bachelor of science degree in Library Science and has 35 hours of library work to her credit. There are 4751 books in the library.

At the present time there are books in the PHS library ranging from the biography of Julius Caesar to the latest happenings in the atomic world.

Almost every outstanding magazine or periodical in the country lies on the library shelves. These magazines total 66 in all.

What a change from the study hall of 1939! A great deal has been accomplished in a few short years and improvements are being made constantly for the benefit of students and teachers.

Librarians Get Valuable Experience



From left to right: Rebecca Lewis, Bob Moore, Joan Trumbule, Jo Ann Richardson, Joan Conrad, Phyllis Nelson, Joann Uttley, Mary Novero, Kathleen Bardrick, Carol Barker

High School Students Show Big Difference In Book Tastes

"Reading maketh a full man," were the words of the English philosopher, Francis Bacon. Today this saying might well be applied to industrious students in PHS and their selections for reading. Questioning reveals a variety of tastes in books among the Pittsburgh high students.

School library selections "take the cake" as far as students go as a place to get books the public library coming in second.

Blonde sophomore BOB BATH liked "Gridiron Glory" which he recommends as a "must" to all football devotees.

"A cousin has a seeing-eye dog," said MARTHA SMALLWOOD caused me to enjoy "My Eyes Have a Cold Nose." She heartily agrees that anyone who is interested in handicapped people's welfare should place this book in a cardinal position on their reading lists.

"Silver Wings" was DON ORENDER's selection for people who like to read about planes and flying.

Tall BILL NULTON called "A City for Lincoln" a "darn good"

book for people who are interested in sports or government.

The nonsensical book, "We Shook the Family Tree," fits JEANNINE NIXON to a "T" as far as good books go. She stated "The book was right down my alley and I'd recommend it to anyone who doesn't have any sense like me."

Schools Observe National Book Week

National Book Week, although a permanent date on the school calendar today, is a relatively new activity. It is always celebrated sometime in Nov. This year the date has been set from Nov. 10 to 14.

Franklin K. Mathews, chief scout librarian, instituted the idea in 1918. With the aid of Fredric Melcher, he issued a children's book list which met with much approval in all literary circles.

Speech Roses Interest

In 1919 Mr. Mathews addressed the American book seller's Association and made an appeal for their cooperation in the matter of better books for boys. The talk resulted in the promotion by the Association of a national campaign "to arouse public interest in this matter of reading for children." This was the dawning of Book Week.

At first the major stress was placed on books in the home, for it was realized that the majority of books owned by children were Christmas and other holiday gifts purchased by relatives who chose titles without regard to children's tastes and the available material.

1919 Initiates Book Week

As a result, the first observance of Book Week in 1919 was centered around the theme "More Books in the Home" and featured a poster drawn by Jessie W. Smith, famous children's illustrator. This theme was continued for the next four years.

Although much credit can be given to the early founders of Book Week, it was the years of "plugging" by librarians teachers, book-sellers and publishers which made it a regular part of the school year.

Library Helpers Guide Students

"Student library assistants have to be Jills of all trades," stated Miss Oliver, school librarian, in a recent interview on the qualifications and duties of the student librarians of Pittsburgh high school.

Candidates for the positions must be academically qualified before becoming eligible to take such a job. Selections are made from volunteers in the study hall classes at the first of each school year.

Students Perform Duties

Duties which these girls must perform includes: assisting with checking books; shelving books; checking and arranging magazines in their proper places; helping to arrange the bulletin board; serving as guides to the library in assisting other students in finding books and reference material; sending out due notices and fine slips; and keeping circulation figures.

Although all of these tasks are not carried out by each student librarian, they do present a clear picture of the variety of services which they render PHS.

Library Provides Training

Librarians who will serve during this school year are: Rebecca Lewis, Joan Trumbule, Phyllis Nelson, Delores Barker, Kathleen Bardrick, Bob Moore, Carol Barker, Joan Conrad, Joan Uttley, Jo Ann Richardson, and Mary Novero.

Miss Oliver concluded the interview with, "Working in the library gives students very good training which will prove a valuable asset in college, and a stepping stone to success in later life."

Booster Sponsors Sophomore Essay

All budding sophomore authors and authoresses will be given an opportunity to display their respective talents during this next week in a Booster essay contest on "What the Library Services Mean to Me".

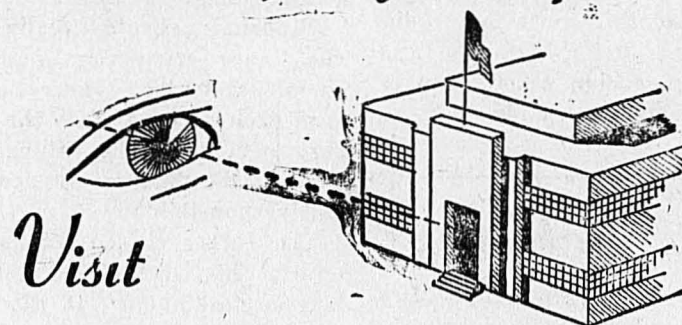
The deadline for these essays has been set for Nov. 10. The name of the winner and his or her winning essay will appear in the Booster.

As the conclusion to a course on the library which has been offered to all sophomores, the Booster staff is sponsoring an essay contest which will be carried out in all sophomore English classes as an assigned class project.

Essays must be limited to 250 words. The winning essay will be printed in the Nov. 14, issue of the Booster. The prize, which will be offered, is the selection of a book from a list of ten books recommended by Miss Oliver. These books will cover a wide field of interest, consequently are expected to satisfy all readers and are sure to please the winner.

Essays will be judged on content, grammar and style. The decision of the judges will be final.

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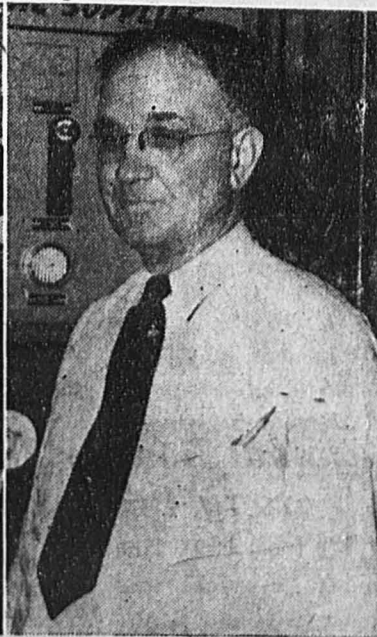
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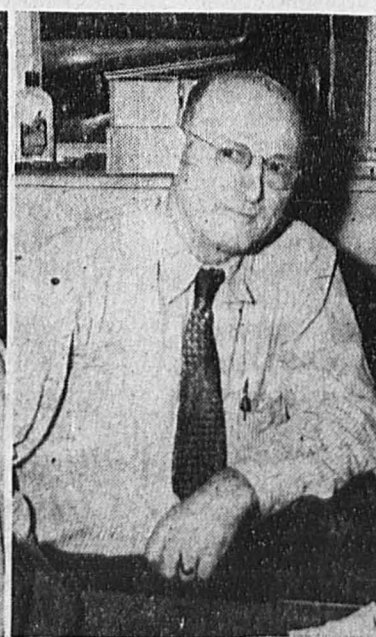
Pittsburg's Board of Education Members Get Public Recognition For Their Work



William H. Shute has been on the Board about one month and will be regularly installed at the next meeting. His term expires in 1949.



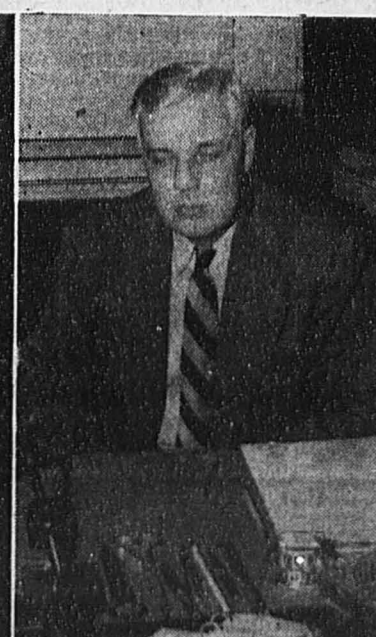
Ralph Bumgarner serves as Vice-President of the board. This is his third year and his term will expire in 1949.



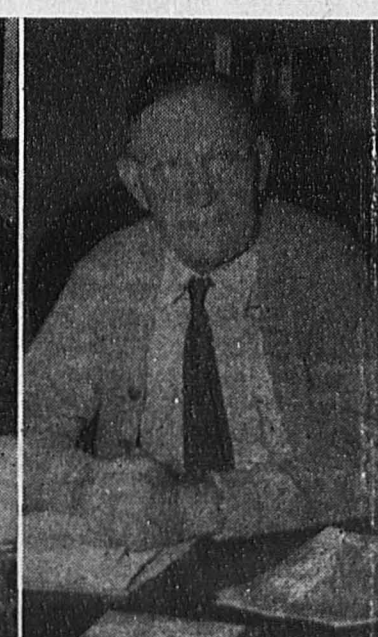
J. Roy Hardin has also served on the Board for three years and his term expires in 1951.



I. W. Bath was elected to the Board at the last election and he will serve until 1951.



H. Gordon Angwin has been on the Board for two years and his term expires in 1949.



Geo. W. Nettels is President of the board. He has served three years and his term doesn't expire until 1949.

Student Letters Go To Mr. Woods Virginia Francis

Scribes of PHS may take out their pencils and write a short, friendly note to some one who has been at PHS in the past. This week the two persons to receive a letter are Doran Woods, former librarian at PHS, and Virginia Francis, former student.

Students who were here during the past two years will remember Mr. Woods. After last year he quit teaching temporarily because of ill health, and is now spending a well-earned vacation in Virginia.

Virginia Francis, who was formerly a student here, is now in Wilmington, Calif. Many of her friends are still here and will have an opportunity to write a short note to her.

Those students who wish to may write a few lines on the letters which will be in the library. Any student who has the name and address of some friend who was formerly at PHS, may leave the information in the journalism room if he wishes to have this friend receive a "chain letter".

Booster Box Holds Unusual Contents

Just as the words "Open Sesame" lead the way to unknown treasures, so did the twisting of the lock on the Booster Box reveal unusual and mysterious contents. Mysterious, in that no one signed his name to any suggestion, complaint, or choice bit of gossip.

For example, "Three Disinterested Students" wrote:

"The Booster is one of the dullest papers we've ever read."

Such criticism is fine, but next time these three students will have to suggest how to make the paper more interesting and less dull. All ideas are welcomed.

One student wrote pleadingly: "How about more snake dances! One isn't enough!"

Another knowledge-seeker gave some information on how to write love letters and quoted an excellent example.

Jokes were also "laid" in the Box. One person offered this ditty: "First our new fluorescent lights wink and then they go steady"

There also were numerous tidbits on "who loves who" in P.H.S. Due to the fact that some romances are only "fly by night" affairs, the Booster will rarely print these contributions. The paper deals with up-to-the-minute news, and everyone knows that new loves on Monday may be "old flames" by Friday.

But keep the Booster Box filled and those suggestions coming in!

Hi-Y Takes Over Pop, Candy Concession Duties at Games

Hi-Y now has the pop and candy concessions at the football games.

Y-Teens had charge of this duty last year but the pop was too heavy for the girls to handle so the boys took over.

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Boys Croon To Tune Of Scooters



On Monday Nov. 3, 18 of these motor scooters were parked between the vocational building and north stadium.

Here a putt! There a putt! Everywhere a putt, putt! Scooters, scooters, scooters! In the spring, summer, fall, and winter, a young man's fancy turns to — motor scooters! Scooters are a boy's first and lasting love.

"Just take a gander at that sat-in-smooth finish and those sleek lines," one boy rapturously described his vehicle. But he's not the only one who thinks his scooter is tops. Just ask any of these "Romeos."

In fact, so many were bitten by this particular "love-bug", and as a consequence bought scooters, that "the law" had to step in. In order

to operate one of these so-called scooters, a license is required, and a minimum age limit of 14 for night riding was set.

Just what is this all-important motor scooter? It is apparent that it has two wheels and a big noise, but what else?

A motor scooter has innumerable uses. Some boys use it in their work, some for entertainment, and as one boy laughingly explained, "It gets me to my girl's house."

Seeing the increasing number of motor scooters on the street, it is apparent that the motor scooter is fast becoming a most important means of transportation.

Students Teachers Give Opinions Of Each Other

What teachers or students DOESN'T want to be liked? Very few "ayes" will be heard in answer to this question. If the individual is to "get along with the world," it would be well if he knew how he appears to others.

Here are some comments on what teachers think of students and what students think of teachers.

Teachers

MISS MESSENGER The girls in my classes would certainly help me if they would keep the dressing rooms quiet, and I do wish there would be less gossiping at morning and at noon hours. As a whole though, the girls in my classes are pretty good sports.

MR. TEWELL Frankly, the main objection I have is that we do not have 100 per cent backing at our games, dances, or other activities.

MISS MARSH It seems to me that the students of P.H.S. are, as a whole, very co-operative.

MR. WHITE The only time I dislike the students at all is when they don't behave themselves and that isn't very often.

Students

BOB VARNER The teachers really don't do much of anything that would make me mad. Maybe if I say that I'll get a better grade.

MARTHA ANN SMALLWOOD Of course they do, some disagreeable things, but really they're pretty good. I like best the cute little tales they tell, that is, if they don't keep REPEALING them.

MARTHA BURNS I like for them to joke along in class. I do wish that some of them were a little more tolerant of teen-agers and didn't have quite so many "old-fashioned" ideas.

BILL ENGLAND Personally, I'd like it better if they laid off the assignments and tests.

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Knapp Visits School After Leaving Navy

Guy Knapp, a former student of P.H.S., was a visitor at school Thursday. Guy would have been in the graduating class of '45 if he hadn't been taken into the navy five months before graduation. Guy was released from the Navy a short time ago. He plans to attend the College either here or at Manhattan.

Guy reports that he was a member of the U.S. Navy for a period of three years, nine months, and eight days. During this time he traveled to Canada, Alaska, and areas near the North Pole. His ship was the U.S. Nereus (AS-17)

"The Navy is a good thing for fellows just out of high school," reported Guy, "as it gives them a chance to choose a fine vocation."

ridge High at San Antonio, Texas,

School Tells How To Clean Campus

CANDY WRAPPERS

Schools all over the country are interested in keeping their campuses free from candy wrappers and other debris.

The Cardinal and White, school paper at Whittier, Calif., used a cartoon showing a student throwing papers on the ground, being found by a member of the Student Council, and then cleaning up the whole campus.

Another school paper stated that since a student wouldn't appreciate having his lawn at home all cluttered up, he in turn should try to keep his school campus clean.

REALISM

According to the Brackenridge Times, school paper of Brackenridge High at San Antonio, Texas, seeing historical monuments makes history much more real.

A Texas History class took a tour through the Spanish Governor's Palace. While they inspected the sections, the teacher explained the way early Spaniards lived.

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Thornton Recieves Honor Corsage

"For me- a corsage?" was the surprised exclamation which could be heard from Miss Thornton's Junior High room a week ago Tuesday.



Miss Thornton

Miss Thornton's second hour class was suddenly interrupted when she was called to an adjoining class room and harshly commanded to "listen!"

As the room became quiet she found that a program from KSEK was tuned into the class room and the announcer was saying something about a Girl Scout Leader. Finally came the realization that she was listening to the record of her own scout work, and a red tint began to creep over her face.

"Miss Thornton", the announcer talked on, "was Assistant Director of Girl Scouts in Tulsa, Okla. in 1924-25, Scout Director from 1926 to 1930, and has been doing volunteer Scout work here in Pittsburg since 1930."

"She has been teaching in Junior High for several years, and belongs to school Honorary Fraternities and the CJ Chapter of P.E.O. This summer she was business manager at Camp Nih-ka-ga-hah, a camp for Scouts."

"With this vast service record we feel that Miss Thornton is entitled to a corsage as one of the leading ladies of the city. Congratulations, Miss Thornton!"

Dragons To Try For Fifth Win Against Bulldogs

Ready for a red, hot battle and raring to make it four wins in a row, the Dragons tackle Independence next Saturday night on Hutchinson Field at 8:00.

Pittsburg will be striving hard for their fifth league victory and the Bulldogs will be fighting for a first division berth in the final standings of the S.E.K.

Iola beat Pittsburg 20 to 6 and defeated Independence 33 to 0. This might give the fan an idea of the relative strength of each team.

The Purple Gridsters have been practicing hard on both offense and defense and should be ready for action.

Probable starting lineup will find Gibson and Varner at ends; Brown and Baker at tackles; Deems and Hamilton at guards; White at center, and Rinehart, Thornberry, McVickers, and Knaup in the backfield.

Iola Still On Top In S. E. K. Standing

With only two or three weeks left in the S. E. K. football season, Iola is still holding down first place in the league standings.

Pittsburg climbed into second place in the standings with their 39 to 7 defeat of Coffeyville and are right on Iola's heels.

Ft. Scott vs. Chanute—Nov. 5

Iola vs. Coffeyville—Nov. 5

Columbus vs. Parsons—Nov. 8

Independence vs. Pittsburg—Nov. 8

S. E. K. STANDINGS

	W	L	T
Iola	5	0	0
Pittsburg	4	1	0
Coffeyville	3	1	1
Independence	3	1	1
Columbus	2	1	2
Parsons	0	4	1
Chanute	0	4	1
Ft. Scott	0	5	0

Council Plans School Snake Dance Nov. 13

Council members have made tentative plans for an all-school snake dance to be held Thursday, Nov. 13. All high school students will meet at the high school building where speeches will be made by the Dragon coaches and yells will be lead by the cheer leaders around a huge bonfire on the tennis courts.

The procession will then start weaving down Broadway stopping at Seventh and Fourth street for yells. The dance will end at fourth street after which Teen Town will be open for all who care to attend.

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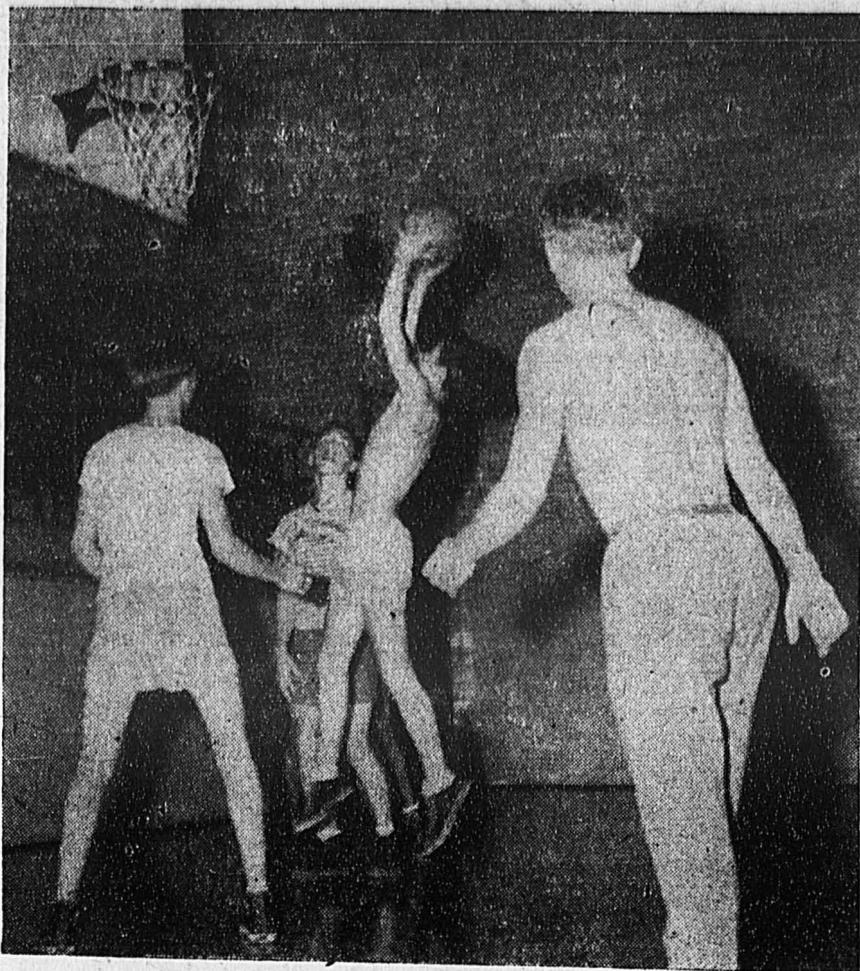
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Phy. Ed. Boys Play Basketball



The boys pictured from left to right are: Sam Brown, Marvin Gilbreath, Don Orender, and J. C. Pickens.
Photo by Slinkman

"It's a long, long pass down the court; the fourth hour has the ball. The ball is up in the air it's curving toward the basket; it's in, and the fourth hour makes another basket." This might well be heard coming from the little gym in a few weeks when the boys Physical Education classes will pair off for the first round of the intra-mural basketball tournament to be held during the week of Nov. 17.

The teams will be chosen from five boys' gym classes. The ten boys showing the most talent for playing basketball from each class will be selected during the week of

Nov. 10. The gym classes are now playing basketball among themselves to get in practice for the tournament.

The purpose of the tournament is to find "hidden talent" for the basketball team. Any boy who looks good enough to play varsity ball, and who is not planning to go out for basketball will be urged to try out.

Other sports which will be emphasized this winter will include tumbling, wrestling, boxing, bar work, table tennis, volleyball and swimming.

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Hot Coals From The Gridiron

Richard Lance

"Fighting and working hard for victory." That sentence best describes the Dragons, who have won their last three league games. With the win over Coffeyville, Pittsburg has now moved into second place in the S.E.K.

BILL THORNBERRY really went to town against Parsons. He scored all three touchdowns with runs of sixty or seventy yards each time.

The Purple Gridsters rolled up 325 yards by rushing against 101 yards for Parsons. The boys really went to town that night.

In the Coffeyville game several of the boys scored their first touchdown of the year. These boys were BOB McVICKERS, BILL MARLIER, and BOB VARNER. RAY KNAUP scored twice for Pittsburg and HOOT GIBSON caught a pass for the other touchdowns.

RONALD BROWN has been doing most of the kicking off for the Dragons lately. He has been averaging over 40 yards per kick and getting the ball deep in the opponents territory.

Lately the Purple Gridsters have played smart offensive ball and sharp defense for victory over their opponents. This is evidenced by the 201 yards gained by Pittsburg while holding Coffeyville to 7.

Fighting hard the Dragons line turned in two of its finest performances in the Parson and Coffeyville games. The boys are generally outweighed but make up for this handicap by good spirit and determination to win.

It seems certain newspapers in the area don't think the Dragons have as good a team as their standing indicates. This writer is wondering what formed their opinion.

Guests Enjoy Swim With G.A.A.

Forty-five girls enjoyed swimming with the G.A.A. members as their guest last Wednesday. Pictures of the group swimming were taken for the Purple and White.

On Nov. 5, G.A.A. will hold a meeting, and the girls will come

prepared for their Purple and White pictures. There will not be a meeting of G.A.A. on the following Wednesday, Nov. 12, because of the teachers meeting.

Junior and senior members of G. A. A. may be looking forward to a chilli supper from the sophomore members on Nov. 19.

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