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## Homecoming Set For December 19

Homecoming plans are well underway. Student Council members turned in their committee reports to Miss Waltz, Student Council sponsor, before school took up this morning. Definite announcements will be made at the first part of next week.

Alumni are welcome to visit the classrooms before attending the assembly to be held at 2 o'clock the afternoon of Dec. 19.

Following the assembly, with both student and alumni participating, a dance will be held in the Roosevelt gym.

Pictures will be taken of the homecoming activities and placed in the yearbook.

## Quiz Program Gives Winners Rewards

Students will witness a novel assembly next Tuesday, Dec. 16, when five basketball boys and five girls will be selected to answer questions on basketball rules.

Each participant will have a definite time in which to answer the questions. All those failing to answer their questions will be eliminated from the contest.

The last boy and girl remaining on the stage will then receive their just reward. The winning boy and girl will be provided with two mystery dates which will be unknown until the close of the assembly.

Free show tickets will be provided for these couples and may be used at their convenience.

At the end of the assembly the cheerleaders will come to the stage and lead the students in some yells.

## Faculty Plans Yuletide Party

Adding to the festivities and social events invading PHS in the Christmas season, the Roosevelt and high school faculty and their wives are planning a Christmas party for Thursday Dec. 18, in the Little Theater.

Under the direction of the teachers club officers, Mr. Morey, Miss Messenger, Mr. Cline, and Miss Lanyon the party is slated to get under way at 8 o'clock sharp. Special entertainment and refreshments are being planned, based on the yuletide theme. A gift exchange will be included in the activities.

## Lakeside Publishes Paper, 'Ink Spots'

"Ink Spots" was the name chosen for the Lakeside junior high paper which will make its initiatory publication on Dec. 18.

Under the direction of Miss Stryker, ninth grade English teacher, Lakeside ninth graders have been learning the ropes of journalism in their English classes. All stories were used as a class project.

News items which will appear in the first "Ink Spots" edition include news about the Lakeside cantata which is scheduled for the day the paper comes off the press, Lakeside safety news, sport news, features and editorial copy.

The "Ink Spots" is the first of what is hoped to be a good chronicle in the annuals of Lakeside junior high life. The printing is being done by Mr. White and his vocational printers.

## PHS Musicians Go To Fort Scott Clinic

Rehearsing about six hours during the day and putting on a two hour concert in the city auditorium constituted the chorus and orchestra schedule at the Ft. Scott Music Clinic, last Monday, Dec. 8.

There were approximately 400 choristers and 85 orchestra members participating in the clinic, and these students represented six different towns, including; Pittsburg and Ft. Scott, the two largest towns attending; Columbus, Moran, La Cyné, and Mound City. McCray-Cain Conduct

Dr. McCray, formerly the Head of the music department at KSTC, conducted the orchestra in four selections with an encore on the composition, "The Syncopated Clock."

The choir was under the direction of Noble Cain, well-known composer and director from Chicago. The mixed chorus performed by singing four compositions, and the girls chorus sang three numbers. Two impromptu selections were offered by the boys' chorus. Rehearsals During the Day

Rehearsals were begun at 9:00 in the morning and were continued until noon. At 1:30 everyone returned to the high school and practiced until 4:30. The students were then free to do as they pleased until concert-time, 8:00.

The Ft. Scott Teen Town was kept open for all students wishing to attend. This added a bit of enjoyment and relaxation to a day of hard work.

## Miss Farner Enjoys Students Letters

"I was so pleased to receive the student letter. Please assure all the writers of my appreciation," stated Miss Farner, former English teacher in the high school. She sends her best wishes to everyone in the form of a Christmas greeting received at PHS this week.

Next on the list to receive add-a-note letters are Marilyn Markham and Bill Batten. More names and addresses will be welcome. They should be brought to the Journalism room.

Marilyn Markham, who graduated last year, is now studying at Baker University in Baldwin, Kans. Bill Batten is serving in the Navy.

## Stately Evergreen

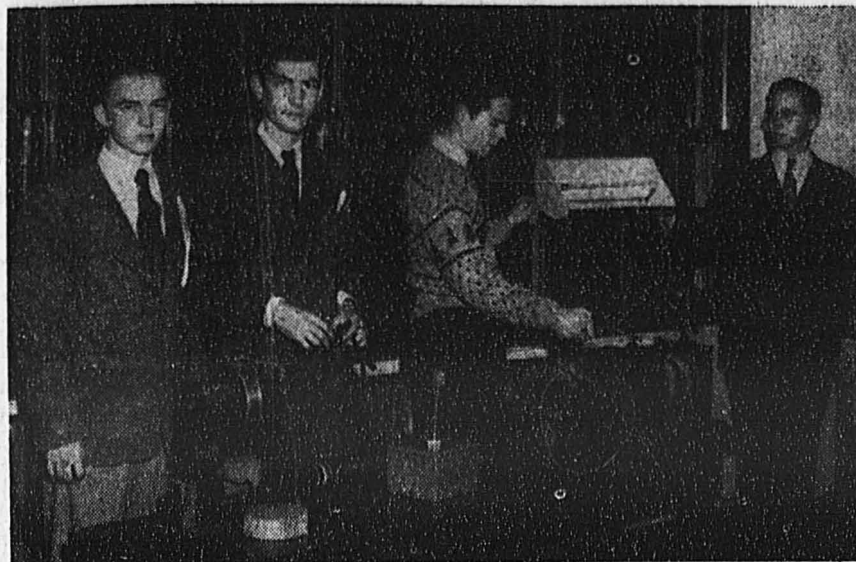
## Adds Holiday Cheer To Halls

Getting a head start on the yuletide season rituals within the portals of PHS, the Student Council has bedecked the front hall with the cherry bows of the stately evergreen laden with sparkling tinsel, Christmas balls and bright lights which all help make-up the single compound commonly called a Christmas tree.

Under the direction of Miss Waltz, Council advisor, the publicity committee of student council mantled the tree last Tuesday with its festive decorations. This green spirit of Christmas will remain in the front hall until the Christmas holidays begin.

Other student council activities which may be expected to appear in the spotlight soon are the all-school Christmas dance and homecoming. Definite plans have not been announced as yet but will be in the near future.

## Winning Photo Pictures School Activity



This picture was taken during the school Open House night in the chemistry room.

## Students Immunized At School Clinics

Clinics for immunization against small pox and diphtheria were held in local grade schools beginning Oct. 21, and ending Nov. 21.

This was made possible through the cooperation of the state health department, proper county commissioners, and local physicians. All children who had not been immunized were given these shots. Approximately 927 children were given small pox serum and 566 immunized against diphtheria. A total of 1065 children attended the clinic.

Red Cross nurses aids, senior students from Mt. Carmel hospital, ladies from the school P.T.A.'s, and local physicians gave the shots. The program was under the direction of Mr. Lowell A. Small, superintendent of schools and was supervised by the school nurse, Miss Woods.

## Booster Literary Contest Ends Today

Students! The Christmas poetry and story contest ends today. If there are any more stories or poems written they must be in by this evening after school.

Some very good entries have been received in both the story and the poem department but more entries will be appreciated.

The winners of this contest will be announced in the next Booster and the prizes will be given at the Homecoming Dance the same day.



Left to right: Gerald Clark Escher Green, Virginia Adams, Virginia England, and L. L. Hall.

## Max Stacy Wins Photo Contest With Lab Picture

Pictured is the winning photograph in the recent Photography Club contest. The picture, taken by Max Stacy, received first place of the four awards given. Max was awarded a carton of flash bulbs for his camera.

Richard Slinkman, second place winner, also received flash bulbs as an award. Third and fourth places went to Pat Parmenter and Sadhe Murphy, who received film for their camera.

The winning picture was taken by the north wall of Mr. Clin's room. Electricity experiments served as the theme for the number one picture.

School activities and school sports were the subjects for this contest, the first of the school year. The next contest will be centered around the Christmas activities and scenes. Prints will be due Jan. 6, to be eligible for prizes.

A prominent photographer is selected in each contest to judge the picture.

## Halls, Dressing Rooms To Be Installed With New Lights

Improvements into the Pittsburg school system during the next few months will include the installation of the new fluorescent lights in the halls and dressing rooms of schools throughout the system.

Bids for the work will be opened on Jan. 5, according to Mr. Small, superintendent, and the completion of the lighting units will be under way soon after that.

Other new equipment and improvements which will soon make their appearance in the school system are under discussion by the board of education but thus far have not been released for publication.

## Students Write For 'Seventeen'

Most students would like to win \$500 for writing a short story. This will be the first prize awarded to the winner of Seventeen magazine's second annual Short Story Contest. This contest is open to all students between thirteen and nineteen years old.

Stories that have been published are not eligible. They are to be between 2,000 and 3,500 words in length and typed double spaced on only side of the paper.

According to information received, the stories will be judged on the following points: over-all literary merit, plot development, characterization, naturalness of dialogue, validity of situation, and suitability for publication in Seventeen Magazine. Other prizes that will be awarded are \$200 for second prize and three \$100 prizes for third places.

Each story must be accompanied by a notarized statement attesting the age of the writer and the originality of the work.

Students wishing to enter their stories in this contest should bring them to the journalism room before school Friday morning, Dec. 19. The Booster Staff will see that a notarized statement accompanies each story.

## Machine-Shop Boys Make Tree Bases As Special Project

Keeping up with the season, some of the boys in the machine shop classes are making Christmas tree stands as projects. A somewhat more complicated project is Clarence Krusemark's drill press which he is making as a part of his class work.

The Auto Mechanics classes are still inspecting and learning about the workings of automobiles and have recently operated on a wide range of cars from a red and yellow 1924 Dodge to a 1946 Packard.

In the way of new equipment in the shop three new pieces have been added recently. They are a four ton floor jack, a valve refacing machine, and a tune-up machine which is the latest and best of its kind.

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- \* COMING EVENTS \*
- \* Tuesday, Dec. 16—PHS \*
- \* basketball game with Parsons, here \*
- \* Thursday, Dec. 18—Junior-Senior High Christmas party \*
- \* Friday, Dec. 19—Christmas vacation begins; basketball game with Lawrence, \*
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## THROUGH THE MINE

### Parents-Children Need More Home Life to Make Better Families

"Oh, my parents just don't understand me!" This statement and many others quite similar to it are being voiced in homes all over the country.

Just who is responsible for the confusion that is taking place in many homes? Is it John and Sue or Mother and Dad? Are children in the right when they disobey their parents even if they think their parents are using poor judgment? What causes juvenile delinquency? Since the family is the basic unit of American society, people are seriously concerned about the answers to these questions.

If understanding and consideration are prevalent, most problems confronting the American family can be solved. Mother gets tired of doing the housework day in and day out; she appreciates a little extra help now and then. Sue, in turn, would love to have that new dress. Dad would appreciate having the lawn cut while Joe might like to drive the family car more often.

Families are bound closely together by being together. Enjoying the simple pleasures of life will make a family more of a unit. Jim will always remember the time he climbed a mountain with Mother and Dad. Or maybe the time he just stayed home, popped corn, played cards, and listened to the radio. The main idea, however, is just being together and enjoying it.

Consideration, unselfishness, and understanding, on the part of both the parent and child, molds the love that binds a family together.

Barbara Biddle

### Tempers Create Much Trouble For People Without Self-Control

"You can just take a good jump in the lake if you think I'm going to change my mind. Of all the..."

Everyone had better hold his ears; that sounds like Janie in one of her temperamental moods. Even SATAN better steer clear of her today.

Yes, nearly everyone has moments when he feels like shouting or taking a poke at someone. It's just "the nature of the brute", but feeling like it and actually doing it are two different things. John may feel like sticking a knife in Joe's back, but if he does he's going to have a long time to look through the bars and say, "Why did I do it?"

Why are their still wars? Why must people be killed? Why do friends quarrel and shout at one another? All the answers add up to the same thing: NO SELF-CONTROL.

What possible chance is there of world peace when all the countries are made up of people just like Janie and Johnnie, who can't even settle their individual differences without a continual "yow-yow"?

Each individual should watch his own boiling point. If he "boils" when the temperature is only medium high, he should learn to think "What if my whole country acted as I do every-time something annoying happened? Where would I be now? Where would we all be?"

Watch that TEMPER-METER! Keep the boiling point high! Mary Jean Periman

### Boys-Girls Answer Questions About Cheating

"Gosh! I forgot! We have that test today and I haven't even studied," wailed Nancy as she and her girl friend started toward their next class.

What was she going to do? Well, maybe she could remember some of it. And, oh, yes, Barbara sat in front of her. She always knew all the answers.

The bell rang and class began. The test was harder than she'd expected. Oh, well, it was easy enough to look over Barbara's shoulder and copy her answers while the teacher was writing the questions on the board.

But, horrors, the teacher had turned around and was staring at Nancy. She'd been caught.

WHAT SHOULD SHE DO NOW?

If caught in such a predicament, this is what the following students would do:

## For Economy Co-Education Comes Into Effect

Romance via transportation was the theme of a hit melody "The Trolley Song" a few years ago. The idea isn't really so far fetched, at that. Many a romance or lasting friendship has started on a hurried bus ride or quick lift.

Not so in Atlanta, Ga., however. In cooperation with the system of separate high schools, the trolleys ran cars exclusively for male and female patrons. Never during school hours did the boys and girls meet.

This system of no coeducation was sanctified to Atlantans by age. And well it might. Public education for boys only began in the first century, and for hundreds of years just those girls lucky enough to get their learning privately ever knew its possibilities.

### Status Of Women Changes

With changing social, economic, and religious conditions, the status of women also changed, and education became merely a matter of method. At first segregated schools were provided, but later the economy of the coeducational system became a factor.

### Massachusetts Makes Start

When Massachusetts colony passed laws for compulsory education in 1647, they became the basis for American coeducation today. But although 97 per cent of America's youth go to school under the public school system, the countries of the Old World have never completely accepted coeducation.

But the Old World, as already shown, is not the only place with backward ideas concerning education. However, Atlanta's medieval system is purely in the past tense

now, for with new feminine school management in 1944, changes began to take place; and this fall, for the first time, Atlanta's boys and girls are going to the same schools—together. Coeducation seems to be catching on.

### Toys Change Shape In Modern Times

Toys have changed with the times. Small chairs with seats of woven rushes, colonial dolls, and tiny coaches with coachmen were the precious toys of our ancestors.

With the invention of the automobile, airplane, radio, and telephone, came a new demand for mechanical toys of these kinds.

Toys are now made from scrap metal, wood, stuffed materials, walnut shells, pipe cleaners, spools, paper, clothespins, cork, crepe paper, and even edible materials such as apples, potatoes, pears, and peanuts.

Boats, kites, windmills, musical instruments, dolls, doll furniture, sewing kits, and doll houses have been favorites among children for many, many years.

Some of the more modern toys are cars, trucks, tractors, cap guns, balls that answer questions, birds that chirp, and turtles and snakes that crawl.

Great advances have indeed been made in the field of toys from colonial times to the present day.

## The Strip Pit

By Ima Digger

### Take My Hand, Honey!

"Is parting such sweet sorrow" COLIN BRINKMAN or is CAROL BARKER a good handshaker? That is the question that has been bothering us since we saw your actions in the hall the other day.

COLIN, would talk to CAROL a little while, then walk a little ways, come back, shake her hand and talk a little more before repeating the action. From our viewpoint, we're afraid that he has become a handshaking maniac.

### Just Dogs

Has anybody seen any notorious characters around school who have had their pictures in Life magazine? If so, please send them to the Journalism room at once!!! Someone down in Bentonville, Ark. would like two of those cut out dogs that these characters were wearing when Life took their picture for its Nov. 17 issue. P. S. This lady who wants the dogs said that your pictures were adorable—incidentally the girls live in Pittsburgh, Penn.

### Two Lip Lipstick

Note to BRUCE MYERS: Now we know that you wanted to act your part in the Junior Play well, but let's watch this over-acting business. P.S. For those ignorant souls who weren't at the Junior play, there's a part where Bruce is supposed to embrace ESTHER GREEN. During play practice last week Bruce got a little over zealous with his part and ended with a little LIPSTICK on his face.

### Talk of the Women

We don't want to hear any more complaints from the women about the stories of their talking too much when they get together. Coming back from Ft. Scott the bus driver got so confused listening to the jabber on the all girl bus that he took the wrong road and ended up on some country road. Men, sometimes women do drive you to distraction, don't they?

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Was ROBERTA HAEGART starting her own Student Letter or was she just writing an open public letter to PAUL JONES? Well either way the letter made a nice decoration for the bulletin board in the chemistry room, which usually consists of dull reading material if one is not initiated into the science of chemistry.

### SAFETY

Safety First! This could easily be called the motto of Central High School, La Crosse, Wis. Every year seniors are required to complete the 5 week course in Driver's Education.

## Pupils Make Office Trip Easily Mrs. Parsons May be Answer

Going to the office isn't the dreaded journey it used to be!! That's what some students think anyway—especially the male population in school.

Why this sudden change of heart? Maybe the boys simply enjoy the office atmosphere. Of course, the

new secretary there would have nothing to do with it. Oh, no! Comes From Salina

Her name is Jean Parsons and she claims Salina, Kan. as home.

"When I arrived in Pittsburg I was told by a friend at the college that Mr. Green wanted an office girl. So I came to see him and here I stayed."

### Proud of "Mrs."

The young lady is married to her school-boy sweet-heart and is very proud of that "Mrs." in front of her name. Mrs. Parsons is a high school graduate and has done office work ever since her graduation.

She has this to say about PHS, "The first time I was ever in this high school was the time I came to see Mr. Green about the job, and I have found out since that it's really quite a place!"

## Ann Thracite Tells Liggie Tale of Woe



"Oh! Liggie! I have to tell you! Pete took me to the Columbus game Friday night in his old jalopy. It was lots of fun until we started home" confided Ann Thracite.

"We were riding along so nicely when all of a sudden the car stopped and Pete got the awfulest gleam in his eyes. It was really terrible! I was almost frightened.

"Shhh Here comes Miss Nosey!" cried Liggie. "She's right outside the door! Wait a minute and she'll be gone. I don't like her. She's entirely too nosy."

"Pete came around to my side and told me I'd have to get out. The flat tire was on my side and he had to jack the car up. He was so mad!"

Watch This Space For Further Adventures of Peat Coal

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## Former Teacher Sends Greetings From West Va.

Mr. Woods wrote to the Booster staff recently in answer to a letter sent to him by students as a project set forth by the Booster staff. Mr. Woods was very upset over his not receiving the Booster regularly. However the paper has been sent and will arrive soon.

An error was made when the story about Mr. Woods was printed saying that he was visiting relatives in Virginia. Mr. Woods informed the paper that West Virginia was his home, and that it is a quite a mistake to get mixed up on that "little historical secret."

West Virginia Wesleyan College, a college which Mr. Woods attended, is just up the street from the home of his sister whom he is visiting in Buckhannon. He reports that students there hold hands and don't carry books home.

Congratulations were sent to the coach and team for the fine job they did this season. He is looking forward to the basketball team coming out on top also.

In closing he sent best wishes to the students and faculty and wished them all a Merry Christmas.

### Want Survey

## Predicts Heavy Load For Santa

"Santa Claus is coming to town" and he'll have to be well packed to fill PHS's stockings with what they indicated they wanted in the recent Christmas "want survey" taken by the Booster.

His bag will have to be stuffed with sweaters for the girls and guns for the boys. For the girls skirts also rate high. Shirts and sweaters would be Mr. PHS's second choice.

Boys, wondering what to get HER? She'd be sure to like records or maybe jewelry. HE would like records too.

Girls, if Mr. PHS's choice of a camera costs too much just give him something free. Maybe he'll be happy, as one boy would, with a "million kisses."

Miss PHS likes clothes for gifts. Just give her a formal, a suit, or a blouse and she'll be satisfied.

The girls are dropping a hint to their mamas and poppas that they want record players too.

Clothes are high on the list for boys too. Trousers, shirts, suits, and jackets rate along with record players, radios and watches.

Several girls want "men" for Christmas. Some are more particular and want a good looking guy or boyfriend. A very particular girl specifically wants "my Columbus guy." Mr. PHS had better

## Chemistry Teacher Most Popular Male In School; Experiments Bring Forth Humorous Situations

There is no doubt about it! Mr. Cline should have been twins! Or maybe even triplets! If anyone has ever witnessed a laboratory day in chemistry and seen this teacher running from one table to the other, he can understand why one Mr. Cline isn't enough.

For example, two scientifically-minded females might wonder why they can't touch sodium or breathe too much chlorine and yet they eat table salt everyday, which contains both sodium and chlorine, a poisonous gas.

### Wanted: Some Hydrogen

At the same time Mr. Cline is answering this puzzling question someone at the back of the room calls for aid, assistance, and a little help. It seems that they have lost their hydrogen. Does that sound crazy? Maybe so but Mr. Cline patiently explains to the future Pastors that since hydrogen is lighter than air, they must use the water displacement method of collection, not air displacement.

### There's Smoke, But No Fire

By this time another student, having paged the disgruntled teacher for a few minutes, finally tugs on his arm and says, "You've



got to help me, Mr. Cline!"

And help he got! It seems the clumsy one had gotten a bit of phosphorous on his finger and it began smoking like a California smudge-pot. Hero Cline quickly neutralized the small smoke screen and before something else could happen the bell rang.

It wouldn't be so bad, this har-

## Art Students Busy On Yuletide Cards

Christmas is just around the corner. And particularly conscious of this fact are the "greeting givers." Either it's a mad rush down to the local store for Christmas cards or a hurry-up session with paper and paint.

The art students of PHS seem definitely to prefer the latter method, for last week was spent in designing, cutting, and stenciling Christmas cards.

The predominant motif in the cards seems to be candles and holly: this ranging from 1 candle and 19 sprigs of holly to 5 candles and 2 sprigs. However, all the other Christmas themes are represented also: poinsettias, bells, church, angels, and even birds.

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## Survey Shows First Page Most Popular

Which page of the Booster interests the student body most? Could it be the sports section? The editorials? No, observation and questions on the subject indicate that the students of PHS are most interested in what is going on in the student world. The headlines on the first page exert a hypnotic lure and makes them look there first.

Second in popularity comes the inside pages. Included here are the editorials, the cartoon, features, and of course, the column, The Strip Pit. It hasn't been found, exactly which of these is most popular, but no doubt it is the editorials.

On the whole the sports section comes next, but, of course, it comes first with many students. They can hardly wait to see how Pittsburg its standing in comparison to other cities or to find out the details of the game that was played last week.

In order to learn these facts a staff member watched student reactions in the library this past Friday—and then checked by asking questions.

## Office Announces Results Of WSSF Collection In PHS

Announcement has been made from the office that \$16.12 was collected from PHS home rooms for the World Student Service Fund. The collection of this was under the sponsorship of student council.

This money will be sent directly for European student relief.

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# Dragons Invade Titans Court For First Game

## PHS Cagers Set For Tilt At 8:00

Raging for revenge from their defeat by the Titans in the Regional Tournament last year, the Dragons tangle with Columbus tonight at Columbus.

Exciting moments and breath-taking thrills are expected in abundance as the Dragon-Titan cage tilt is always very spectacular and full of action.

Miller's cagers have been working hard both on offense and defense in preparation for the game. The Purple Dragons have been trying to perfect a fast break to go along with their offense to make it more potent.

Pittsburg will use three men out and two men in which is the same system Kansas University uses.

## Fifth Hour Girls Win Volleyball Title

Volleyball reached its climax as the intra-mural games were played-off.

The tournament closed with fifth hour winning over first hour when they played off a tie game from Wednesday.

The games were played in the Roosevelt and high school gymnasiums at noon. These were 17 minute games, being 5 minute periods with a 2 minute final. All the girls who played ate a light lunch before each game.

Referees for the games were Pat Glennon, Virginia Graham, Helen Peterson and Virginia Hindman. Score keepers were Lucille Moody, Betty Dauchez, Della Bolt, Anna Lee Scott, Barbara Banta.

"Volleyball intra-murals, played during the first semester, and basketball intra-murals, played during the second semester, are the only competitive sports offered to girls in high school. All intra-school girls sports have been ruled-out," stated Miss Messenger.

The purpose of these intra-mural games is to give the girls experience playing before an audience. They also have the experience of competition where sportsmanship and teamwork are developed and displayed.

## Three Purple Gridsters Make All SEK



White, Center  
PITTSBURG



Gibson, End  
PITTSBURG



Thornberry, Back  
PITTSBURG

## PHS Plays Parsons In First Home Game

Pittsburg takes on the Parsons Vikings on the Roosevelt Gymnasium court next Tuesday night at 8:00.

This game will not be a league affair as the S.E.K. is still playing a single-round robin.

Parsons defeated Ark City 27 to 25 in a thriller last week end and are rated a lot stronger than they were last year.

Leonard Overturf sparked the Vikings to their victory by going on a one man scoring spree in the last few minutes of the game when Parsons was behind 25-21. Coonrod, Viking forward, was the leading scorer of the black and gold boys with five field goals for ten points.

Coach Miller has had the Dragons hard at work for the game. The cagers have been working hard to perfect a defense against the high scoring Vikings.

Above are pictured the boys Pittsburg placed on the all S.E.K. Team. In the upper left hand corner is "Marv" White who made the team at center. In the lower left hand corner is Bill Thornberry who made the backfield. At the right is "Hoot" Gibson who made an end on the team.

In addition to this, White made the second team on All State. Thornberry and Gibson received honorable mention.

## Shootin' Off Steam

Richard Lance

Pittsburg had a good showing on the All S.E.K. Football Team. Marvin White at center, John Gibson at end, and Bill Thornberry in the backfield were the three boys Pittsburg placed on the first team. Ray Knaup at a back and John Baker at a tackle were on the second team. Bob Varner also received honorable mention on the team.

Purple Dragons open the 1947-1948 basketball season tonight at Columbus. Lets see as many P.H.S. fans as possible at Columbus cheering the team to a win.

Miller's cagers have been chosen by the sports writers to take the

S.E.K. basketball title this year. This puts quite a bit of pressure on Pittsburg.

Coach Joe Winchester and coach Tryon should be congratulated on the showing their sophomore and freshmen teams made during the past season. The boys gained a lot of experience and will add a lot to next year's team.

Freshmen basketball is really getting into big time this year. Both Lakeside and Roosevelt have large schedules and play quite a few freshmen S.E.K. teams. This writer thinks it is a good idea and the boys will gain a lot of valuable experience.

We hope John Baker can soon get out of the cast he has been wearing since the Columbus game. We don't know whether he will play basketball or not but we hope so.

Competition on the basketball team is really keen this year. With nine letterman back plus the boys coming up it can be keen and strong.

## Volleyball Contests Begin Monday Noon

Starting on Monday, the boys' gym classes volleyball tournament will get underway and from all indications the games promise to be packed with excitement for both the team and spectators.

Since two games at a time will be played the whole tournament will take only three days. The order in which the teams play has not been decided yet but positions will be drawn for over the week end.

"From my observations," declared Mr. Rohde, "it looks like the two strongest teams will be from second and fourth hours, the way it was in basketball. Of course, this may not prove to be true but we'll find out for sure after the tournament starts."

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