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Oliver Introduces Teen Age Book Club To School

Miss Oliver, school librarian, made arrangement for students to join TAB or the Teen-age Book Club about a month ago.

This group is sponsored by the Pocket-Book Inc. It is an attempt to help teachers and librarians inspire more young people to read more good books. This is done by providing good books at low cost.

May receive free books

Each month five books are selected; members of the club are not compelled to buy all five, in fact they may still retain their membership if they do not purchase any that month. A minimum order of ten books each month, however, in the smallest number that can be accepted from any one club. For every four books that are purchased throughout the semester, one free book will be given to the student.

A little pamphlet entitled TAB News is published every month. In this are given the names of the books chosen for the month and also an interesting article taken from a book.

TAB has variety of books

TAB has all kinds of books to please all types of people. For this month students may purchase "The Sea Of Grass", "How Green Was My Valley", "Carry On Jeeves", "A Pocket Book Of Ghost Stories," or a North murder mystery entitled "A Pinch Of Poison."

When asked just how she thought the book club was going over in PHS, Miss Oliver replied, "Quite a number of students have shown an interest in the club and those who have received their books are very pleased with them."

She also stated that all students wishing to send orders in for April books must have them turned into the library on or before next Monday.

Y-Teen-Hi-Y Mixer To Be Held Tuesday

This is 'Leap Year' and the Y-Teen girls are taking full advantage of it by inviting all the Hi-Y boys to a party next Tuesday at 7 o'clock in the library.

As the H-Y — Y-Teen mixers have usually consisted of athletic games played in the gym, a different type of party has been planned. School clothes will be appropriate to wear. Betsy Thomas will have charge of refreshments and Mitzi Angwin will lead the games.

This will be the last H-Y — Y-Teen mixer of the year.

Eighteen Hi-Y Boys Attend Camp Wood

Swimming, horseback riding, fishing, sports, and overnight camping trips are on the agenda for those boys who attend Camp Wood this year. Eighteen Hi-Y boys, six from PHS and twelve from Roosevelt Junior High will go this year.

Camp Wood, which is located near Elmsdale, Kans., is operated by the YMCA. Its chief object is to provide healthy vacations in moral surroundings for teen-age boys. Although the camp will be open from May 29 to Sept. 6, the boys from Pittsburg will attend the first sessions from May 29 to June 5.

The camp is situated in the Flint Hills which add an authentic Western background for such activities as horseback riding and overnight camping. For the registration fee well balanced meals and cabins accommodating nine boys are provided. Athletic fields, craft shops and lakes for swimming and boating are also at the disposal of boys attending the camp.

Lakeside Musicians Give Operetta Tonite

"Hats Off" an operetta, under the direction of Miss Ethel Ludlow, will be presented tonight at 7:45 P.M. in the Lakeside auditorium.

A portion of the senior high orchestra has been asked to furnish the music. They have been rehearsing with the operetta this week during sixth hour, after school and at their evening dress rehearsal. An admission of 25 cents will be charged.

Pittsburg Sponsors Army Day Program

With brass bands, parades, and many speeches Army Day is celebrated on April 6, each year to parade for public view the virtues of that organization. The declaration of war against Germany on that day in 1917 furnished the reason for choosing that day.

President Wilson, after repeated acts of war from Germany, asked Congress on April 2, for a declaration of war. It was forthcoming on April 6. In 1927 the Military Order of the World War voted to celebrate Army Day on April 6 of each year. The whole week in which the day falls has come to be celebrated with the army proclaiming its usefulness and its indispensability.

In Pittsburg to celebrate Army Day movies and speeches were presented in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday night at 7:30 and on Thursday a dance was held under the joint sponsorship of the V.F.W. and the American Legion at the Tower.

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* April 13,—Hi—Y and Y—
* Teen mixer
* April 14,—Y—Teen cabinet meeting; Photography Club
* April 15,—Y—Teens and HI—Y hold respective meetings
* April 16,—Social science department presents an assembly.
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Nat'l Poll Reveals Students Favor UMT

Scholastic Magazine recently conducted a student opinion poll in Universal Military Training in high school all over the country. Over 84,000 teen agers voiced their opinions on the subject.

When the answers were tabulated, the survey sponsor found that 65 per cent of the boys and 62 per cent of the girls favored Universal Military Training.

Student Attitude Changes

According to the Scholastic Magazine, less than 39 per cent of the students who voted in 1943 were in favor of compulsory military training.

Students of high school age seem to uphold the same pros and cons on military training as adults who wouldn't be affected by such a law.

Some boys and girls stated they disapproved of military training because, "It defeats the very ideals of democracy." Some argue that it's likely to make this country war minded, a detriment to peace.

Pros Defend Stand

Those who were in favor of compulsory military training defended their stand just as staunchly. Briefly stated they were afraid of another war in the near future and believe that the United States should be prepared. These persons feel that it will develop—not interfere with the trainee's character.

If the whole nation were to concur with the YOUTH polled, a plan of one year of compulsory military training would be installed in the United States.

Biology Classes Take Early Morning Hike

Sixty-four students enrolled in the biology department enjoyed a daylight bird hike Wednesday morning in the vicinity of Lincoln park and the golf links.

Roll call was held promptly at 5 a.m. and the group was dismissed at 6 a.m.

Students who went on the hike were not required to attend their biology class on Wednesday.

Mr. Huffman, biology instructor, reports that the group was well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed this type of hike.

PHS Students Take High Ratings At Annual District Music Festival

Entering twenty-eight groups and solos in the annual District Music Festival, PHS received 15 ratings of 1, 11 ratings of 2, and 2 ratings of 3.

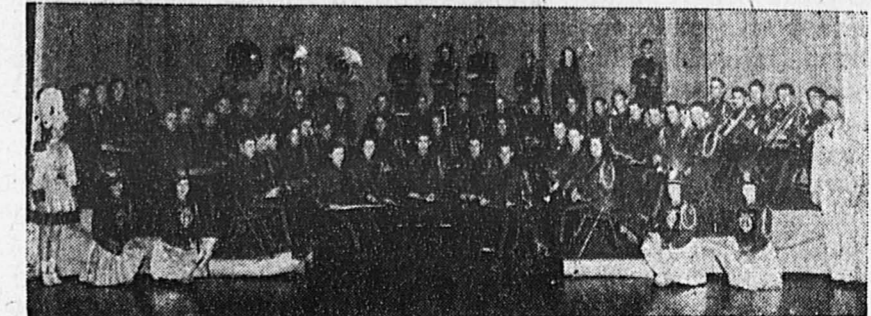
Those solos receiving ones were

Large Groups Get "1"

Three ratings were given to senior string bass and the woodwind trio.

All the large groups including chorus, band, orchestra, and girls

Many Ensembles Come From Band



Don Caldwell, Donna Ross on the violin; Jim Mitchell, clarinet; Betty Allen, twirling; girls medium voice, Mitzi Harmon; girls low voice, Harriet King; Baritone, Gussie Rouse.

glee club received high ratings and favorable comments.

There were also 20 entries from the two junior high schools of Pittsburg this is the largest number of entries that has ever come

Most Solos Come From Orchestra



Six Solos Get "2"

Twos were given to the following solos: Lois Rae Taylor, flute; girls high voice, Mary Jean Periman and Jakelene Clanton; twirler, Mary Lynn Huntington; girls medium voice, Esther Green; Bill Rohr, trombone.

from these schools.

The brass ensemble, brass quartet, string quartet, and the girls double trio all received "1's." The trombone quartet, string quartet, flute trio, mixed voice ensemble and the clarinet quartet were given a 2 rating.

Mixed Chorus Takes Highly Superior



Educators Realize Value Of Movies Students See 230 Varied Films

"A picture is worth a thousand words," said some rather bright old Chinaman who evidently knew what he was talking about. The modern school is taking his words to heart and is showing its students pictures (movies) instead of a steady diet of words.

At the end of this year a total of 230 films will have been shown in PHS, Roosevelt, and Lakeside. If each student had paid separate admission to see them, it would have amounted to approximately 60,000 admissions. The rental fee for films ranges from 50c up to as much as \$3.50. For this year about \$275.00 will have been paid

for renting films.

Phy. Ed. Tops All

According to Mr. Sample, chairman of the Visual Education committee, the most used films are for the classes in science and physics, with 28 pictures this year; physical education, with 26; geography with 22; biology, with 21; and history with 19. Everybody in PHS, Lakeside, and Roosevelt is scheduled to see the physical education films which puts them on top with the greatest attendance.

PHS has one projector with which to show these films and in Mr. Sample's words, "... can be operated as easily as driving a car if fear is set aside." Most teachers operate the machine themselves.

Teachers Select Films

Teachers are given catalogs from the five film libraries which supply the movies seen in PHS. Films are chosen a year in advance and if possible a definite date is set to show each film, based on the probable time such subject matter will be studied.

"Visual Education," stated Mr. Sample in conclusion, "is a sound investment because learning takes place faster. Student interest is a great factor in an efficient learning process." Since modern youth is movie-minded, learning theoretically, is quicker by this process than by conventional methods.

100 Undecided

Students Make Vocational Choice

"High school students don't know what they want." This statement seems to be fairly true—at least in regard to their choice of life's work. Out of the 456 PHS students studied in a survey, 100 of them were "undecided." Even some of the seniors didn't know whether they were going on to college or not.

Of students who had chosen their future occupation the largest percentage belonged to the group who wanted to be secretaries or stenographers. There were 55 in this group. The next largest group was, "nursing", with 24. This group be-

longed mostly to the girls, while "Engineering", with 19 affirmative answers belonged to the boys.

Girls As Doctors

The housewife and teacher had the same number of happy future workers, 17 apiece. The profession of doctor was not far behind with 16. Of this group 8 were girls and 8 were boys. This seemed unusual for a high school group.

Music, Commercial Art, and Writing or Journalism were almost tied, with Mechanics running a close second.

Some of the unusual occupations were that of "Occupational Therapy", "Cabinet maker", and Under-

taker". A few lack-a-daisical fellows mentioned "Bump" as their choice.

Everything Apears

"Clerking", "Coach", "Business" and "Flying" were chosen by some as well as, "Beauty Operator", "Chemist", and "Photographer". Also mentioned were "Agriculture", "Printing", and "Air Hostess".

Since students seem so interested and seem to need guidance along this line the Booster will run information on several of the more popular occupations for their benefit. The one next week will be on the "Secretary".

THROUGH THE MINE

Possibility Of War Makes Americans Think Seriously Of Military Training

One of the major problems confronting the American people today is the question of Compulsory Military Training. It's good and bad aspects are being battled on the floor of Congress today in an effort to clear up this matter in a manner most advantageous to the welfare of the nation.

Screaming headlines declaring the probability of another war licking at our borders bring this question into the hearts and homes of every American citizen.

Should we arm ourselves at the cost of the young men of the nation who in taking time out to prepare themselves for military service forfeit their education and possibly their chance for success in the business world?

On the other hand, should we stand by like we did after the last war and continue looking at the world through rose colored glasses? Then when some other nation attacks, we awake from our state of military inertia to find our beautiful country and our friendly neighbors completely annihilated by invading foes.

Answers to these questions are being sought for by our Congressmen who are striving to settle the proposition to the best of their ability.

As the passage of such a bill in Washington would have a decided effect on every youth in the United States, it is the duty of the American youth to keep up with the pro and con issues being publicized in all newspapers and magazines.

In this issue of *The Booster* is printed views from various people in school and in the community. Its your turn to think about this proposition and form your opinion on this all important subject.

Virginia England

'Know What You Want' Provides Motto For PHS Students In Planning Courses

A man without a job is like a ship without a sail. He has no purpose, no goal. He just drifts along with the rest of the debris.

Every person who graduates from high school is faced with the possibility of being without a job, with no source of income.

Before hiring someone, an employer sets up certain requirements. The person who most nearly meets these requirements is the one who gets the job. He has "the know how." He was prepared.

How did he know his job? How did he prepare himself? He began in high school to get ready for his occupation, to take courses that would best fit him for his future work.

Specific courses are now available for high school students, courses that will aid them to be better housewives, politicians, actors and actresses, chemists, draftsmen, artists, musicians, teachers, stenographers, printers, engineers, mechanics, or writers.

The road to a successful occupation begins in high school with the words "Know What You Want."

Wanda Wall

Magazines Describe Rushed Life As Students Near Graduation

School was drawing to a close. There were many awards to be made and much work to be done. SCHOOL LIFE would not be easy.

Many lectures had been scheduled on the topics of OPEN ROAD, NEW HORIZONS, and AMERICAN UNITY.

The graduating class of '48 will need to know many things as they travel the FIELDS and STREAMS of AMERICAN countries. Our aim in LIFE would be for BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS, AMERICAN HOMES, AMERICAN FORESTS, and for GOOD HOUSEKEEPING practices.

Special Classes Called

They were CALLING ALL GIRLS to study CHARM and DRAMATICS. The BOY'S LIFE would be rushed with a CURRENT BIOGRAPHY that must be written for THE ATHLETIC JOURNAL.

Classes that were coming to a close soon included those in HOME-CRAFT, FLYING, SCHOOL ARTS, PROFITABLE HOBBIES, HYGENIA, and NATURE. A SURVEY GRAPHIC was made in VOCATIONAL TRENDS. BUS-

Reporter Reminisces Cheers Of Yester-year Prove Ridiculous -Corny Revealing Rhymes

"I Remember Mama" proved to be quite a film, but who wants to go back to those days. It was during this era that our parents were graduating from school.

Picture a graduating class in those "good ole days." Read their class yells. When parents question the intelligence of this generation, bring out the old "Year books."

It was the responsibility of 1899 seniors to think of cheers like this:

Boom — a — lae, boom — a lae,
Bim! Boom! Bah!
Pittsburg High School,
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Hip! Hip! Hay!
What do we say,
Pittsburg High School
Ray! Ray! Ray!

Seniors of 1919 really started something when they printed:
Beer — Whiskey — Bevo — Wine!
1 9 1 9



Good, Better, Best, Fine,
1 9 1 9
1920 — twenty seniors kept the fad to publish the following:
Ear, Eye, Nose, Toe,

1 9 2 0
and
Rake, Shovel, Pick, Hoe
1 9 2 0

More rhymes followed when 1922 and 1923 seniors published:
Red, White, True Blue,
1 9 2 2
River, Lake, Ocean, Sea,
1 9 2 3

Originality again bloomed when the following year brought.
Let her rip, let her roar.
We're the class of '24.
Seniors of the next year used the same principle with new words.
We're not dead, we're alive.
We're the class of '25.
We had better watch this older generation. Twenty-three, shidoo.

Mining Exchanges

Coffeyville, Kan.—The inquiring reporter of the Tornado Times made a recent survey on improving the school. Following are a few of their answers:

Mary Ann Wilson—"A more friendly attitude among the students and not so many cliques!"

David Meek—"More pep assemblies."

Other schools have their problems and room for improvements, too.

Parsons, Kan.—This business of baking a cake was carried to the Parsons high school recently when Miss Lorene Bailey, a teacher, brought one for the faculty. Miss Bailey was in Pittsburg when the \$5000 cake recipe was published in Look magazine. All copies were sold out.

She asked members of her class if they had the magazine and if she could borrow it to try out the recipe. After one success a story was published in the Reporter.

With all this publicity behind her, Miss Bailey was requested to bake another. After spending "the whole blessed afternoon" baking another one, she arrived Monday morning with a cake divided in 30 pieces for faculty members and custodians.

Spring Epidemic Strikes Students

Well, spring has sprung! Many new romances are in the budding and many old ones are flowering out. But this year it is different. Leap year, you know.

Look out men here comes another woman. It's this way every four years and a poor guy doesn't have a chance.

However, it doesn't seem that they do very much objecting.

If a reader doesn't believe the observations of the writer, he may venture through the corridors of the first and third floor at noon or first thing in the morning.

Practically all PHS couples have that "moon eyed" look that can only mean that spring really has SPRUNG.

Gadgets Colorize Housewife Drudgery

How could the early pioneers live with only the simplest and crudest of cooking utensils! With all the modern conveniences of the kitchen, it seems almost impossible that they did live in such a state.

Preparing food for tasty dishes today, is a simple task. A variety of knives—paring knives, butcher knives, coring knives, as well as the carrot peelers and potato peelers make the job easy.

For mixing those delicious cakes, the mix master tops the list. It will do anything from juicing a lemon or orange to beating up a fluffy cake batter.

Food may now be preserved in a number of ways. Pressure cookers assist the housewife in canning foods, while the refrigerators and deep freeze units preserve fresh, fruits, vegetables, and meats.

However, with all these conveniences provided, the kitchen would not be complete without the modern automatic electric or gas stove.

Inventions have brought about many changes in the modern kitchen indeed, since the days of our forefathers.

Lois Rae Taylor

The Strip Pit

Ima Digger Question Of The Week

This week's booby prize goes to the Booster staff. Two of the Booster's supposedly brilliant reporters went out to the college last week to interview the Dean of Men. When the girls arrived on the campus they were escorted to the Dean of Men who was, they thought, Dr. Mahan. Later during the week, two other crack pot Booster reporter got the picture of Dr. Mahan from the printing department. When the paper came out, it was revealed that the man in the picture was NOT the man the girls interviewed. Now the question is "Who did the girls interview?"

Men! Where?

Now we know why the chorus had such good luck at the district music festival. On the criticism, the judge wrote "Excellent MEN." The music department must be holding out on the poor girls of PHS, for Ima is having a horrible time finding these unknown species anywhere.

Watch Those Tires

Let's hope that Phil Reed's latest allergy is not catching. According to Phil he has sworn off of the state park as an evening's moment of pleasure for good. The last time he transgressed into those "familiar" paths in his folks car, he got severe chills, developed a fever and broke out in a cold sweat. Are not those brain children of Charles Goodyear a problem, Phil?

Congratulations, Musicians

Although this column generally tries to stick to the lighter side of life (?) Ima feels that special recognition should be given to the music department for the splendid way they cooperated with each other and brought home the numerous high ratings. During the entire proceedings the Pittsburg students supported each other in a very fine manner. It was even reported that some got up as early as seven thirty in the morning to hear Pittsburg performers give their numbers.

Peat Coal-Just A Miner

Soda Fountain Causes Waistline Miseries

Bi Tuminous



Watch This Space For Further Adventures of Peat Coal

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Musicians Attend State Festival

After working hard for weeks, the climax for music students came at the Music Festival held at the local college last week.

It is not all over for some of the students for those solos and small ensembles receiving the rating of 1 will travel to Emporia on April 24 for the State Festival.

These include the following instrumental solos; Don Caldwell, violin; Donna Ross, violin; Jim Mitchell, clarinet; and Gussie Rae Rouse, baritone.

The two vocalists to receive 1 ratings were Mitzi Harmon and Harriet King. The only girl's small group which was entered in the Festival was the Girls Double Trio consisting of Martha Burns, Mary Jean Periman, Esther Green, Martha Jane Gintzell, Shirley Ellis, and Helen Peterson. This group also will go to the State Festival.

Three instrumental ensembles received high ratings. They were the brass ensemble made up of Bill Rinehart, George Spruk, Douglas Story, Jack Glick, John Corpolongo, and Ross Karnes; the brass quartet consisting of Gussie Rae Rouse, Alvin Wiley, Don Emerson, and Bill Rohr; and a violin trio composed of Don Caldwell, Patsy Epperson, and Richard Comstock.

Travel Through Past Brings Back Fond Memories April '47 Features Class Play, Music Festival

were so dear. Not long ago but "Tell me the tales that to me last year. Here's what was happening in P.H.S. last April.

Sadie Hawkins Day was to be Friday, the 18th. The Hi-Y held its election of officers. The graduation speaker had been chosen. He was Karl H. Burns of Washington D.C.

The twenty-third purple and white annual was completed and sent for publication. Some three hundred contestants from the high school attended the District Music Festival.

...Sadie Hawkins Race Planned
Everyone was being urged to sign up for the big Sadie Hawkins Day Race. Postponement of the Ft. Scott Track meet was necessary because of bad weather.
P.H.S. musicians took 25 high ratings at Festival and 14 groups

Boys Give Opinions On Military Training

On the question of the Compulsory Military Training bill which is now before Congress, a great deal of controversy has been made on both sides of the proposition. The staff felt that it might be interesting if opinions might be published which would in part depict the feeling of PHS students on this subject. The following are some of the better of these interviews:

TONY PISTOTNIK...Yes, I think that universal training, would be a good thing. After boys have taken the training, they will be more mature and better prepared when they go on to college.

BILL NULTON...No, compulsory military training is certainly not the answer to the problem of world peace, for one will find upon reading history that practically every nation that has adopted it has gone into an aggressive war.

BENJAMIN ABBINGTON...I am against universal military training. Everyone hears such statements as it is supposed to stop war, but in reality it merely furnishes the fire to create war. If we adopt this plan, Russia will say we are using it as a possible weapon against them. Also I feel that it will interrupt the school work of the boys.

JIMMY HOLMAN...No, the adoption of such a plan would interrupt the boy's education too much.

New Twists Make Old Games Modern

So "the gang" is always dropping in and then they can't think of anything to do. Well, there is always the old stand-by card games or the mixer dances.

But what if "the gang" isn't the type for cards or dancing? Well then how about trying an old game with a new twist? That's right, "Sharades"!

Most people remember the old chant "Lemonade! What's your trade?" This game has the same idea, but in a grown-up fashion.

First choose up teams of couples, or put the girls against the boys. Now, take the name of some currently popular record or movie and pantomime an explanation of the name.

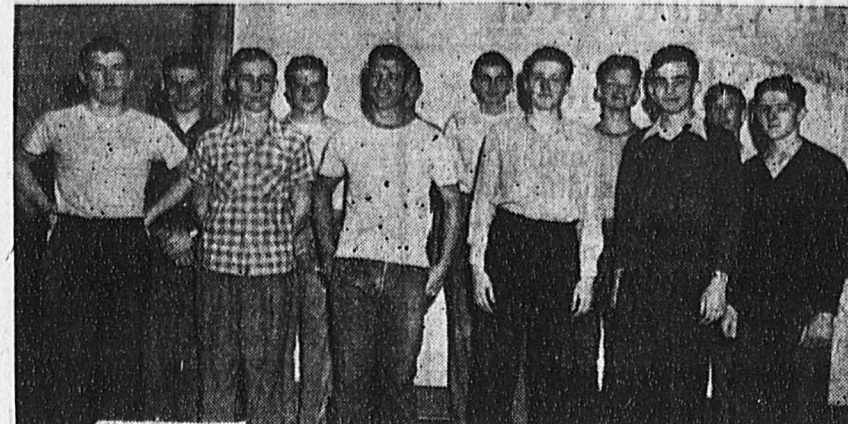
Just let the other team try to guess. This game takes enough brain work to make it interesting and gobs of fun.

Drive-In Theater Opening Features School Band

Members of the PHS band will play at the official opening of Pittsburg's new open air theatre Thursday, April 15.

Three numbers will be presented before the preview, after which the group will be guests of the management.

Hi-Y Boys Elect New Officers



Left to Right are Bill England Bruce Meyers, Roger Coppenbarger, Bob Longestaff, John Baker, Eldon, Huffman, Richard Chiapetta, Ross Karnes, John Ward, Bill Nulton, Jim Mc Cabe, and Bob Mosier.

Elections for next year's Hi-Y officers were held on Thursday last week in the respective meeting places of each chapter. Officers were nominated by the executive committee of each chapter after

which from-the-floor nominations by the members of each chapter were permitted.

Elected for the Jimmy Welch-J. L. Hutchinson chapter of Hi-Y the officers are, Johnny Baker, President, Ross Karnes-Vice President, Eldon Huffman-Secretary, and Richard Chiapetta, treasurer.

The Bunny Carlson-David New Chapter chose for its next year's officers, Bill Nulton, President, Bob Mosier, Vice President, John Ward, secretary, and Jim McCabe treasurer.

The third PHS chapter, Joe Dance-B. V. Edworthy, will be led next year by Bill England, President, Roger Copperbarger, Vice-President, Bruce Myers, Secretary, and Bob Longstaff, treasurer.

All officers are juniors and will take office on Thursday, May 13. They will serve through the next school year.

Seniors Rehearse On Stage This Week

Rehearsals for the senior play "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" went on stage this week. "I plan to alternate practice for the three acts each night," stated Miss Maude Laney, director.

The play will be presented Friday, April 23.

Y-Teens nominated their candidates for next year. Traveling to Kansas City, the commerce students had fun and learned something, too. Purple track squad won the Ft. Scott Meet.

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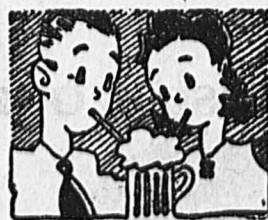


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Pitt Cindermen Win Quad Meet On KSTC Field

Placing at least once in every event and rolling up eight first places and several seconds, the Purple and White thinclads won their first meet of the year on the KSTC field with a total of 69½ points.

Tom Hook was the only Pitt trackman to take double laurels for the day. Hook took first in both hurdle events.

120 YD. H. H.—Won by Hook, McVickers second—Time 16.2 sec.
100 YD DASH—Varner second—Winning time 10.4 seconds.

MILE RUN—Strawn second—Winning time 4:58.8.

880 YD. RELAY—Pittsburg second—Winning time 1:36.7.

440 YD DASH—Radford second—Winning time 55.8 seconds.

200 YD L. H.—Won by Hook, McVickers second—Time 24.5.

880 YD. RUN—Won by Wilson, Brown fourth—Time 2:06.6.

MEDLEY RELAY—Won by Pittsburg (McVickers, Thornberry, C. Wilson, and Tripp).

220 YD. DASH—Varner second, Shelley third—Winning time 23.5.

MILE RELAY—Won by Pittsburg (Gibson, Hull, McVickers, and Varner).

SHOT PUT—Won by Knaup, R. Brown fourth—Distance 43'10".

HIGH JUMP—Won by Gibson—Height 5' 6½".

POLE VAULT—Gibson tied for fourth—Winning vault 10' 10".

DISCUS—Knaup second—Winning throw 120' 11½".

JAVELIN—Won by Thornberry, Knaup second, Tripp third—Distance 153' 6".

BROAD JUMP—Tripp fourth—Distance 19' 6½".

Girls' Gym Classes Work Hard At Track

Yes, the boys are out for track, but don't overlook the fact the girls are working hard at it also!

The 50 and 75 yard dashes are included in the girls track event, softball distance throws and softball throws for accuracy help to make some PHS's strong-armed girls activities.

Among other events are the running broad jump. Also the girls are given a piece of chalk and jump as high as they can and make a mark on a wall at the height of their jump.

Archery, Badminton, and softball will finish-up the activities of the girls in "phy. ed." for the school year.

Girls who are enrolled in the Life Saving class have completed six hours of work; thus leaving them nine more to complete before they will be eligible to take the Life Saving test.

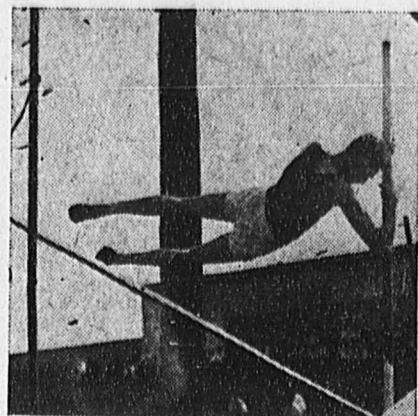
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Gibson Clears Bar In Four Team Meet



Above is John Gibson who placed fourth in the pole vault.

Track Squad Smothers McCune Eagles 83 to 49

Racking up nine first places, one tie for first, and several seconds the "B" track team easily won their meet Wednesday afternoon with McCune by a score of 83 to 49.

An exceptional throw in the Javelin was made by Ray Tripp when he tossed the spear 163ft. 2in. This throw bettered the heave that won the recent quadrangular meet by nearly ten feet.

The next "B" meet will be against Cherokee on Wednesday, April, at Cherokee.

Students Need Better Tennis Courts To Produce Champ Team

PHS is now sponsoring a tennis team, but with the tennis courts in Pittsburg in their present condition, students find it almost impossible to obtain an empty court for practice.

The lack of courts not only cause confusion for the students who want to practice in order to make PHS tennis team, but also during the summer months it is hard for those energetic people to find a court on which to play.

When one looks around, he will find sufficient tennis courts if they were usable.

If students had more courts open to them for practicing and playing, PHS as well as Pittsburg as a whole might produce a champion team.



Purple Golf Team Prepares For Meet

Making ready for their meets the PHS golf team has been practicing in order that they might give the other teams good fights.

So far the Purple and White linksters have four matches scheduled but they may have a few more scheduled in the future Coach Dick Miller reported.

"We will probably carry four or five boys on the trips depending where the meet we compete in takes place," stated Coach Miller. On April 22 the team journeys to Independence to change blows with Independence team. Four days later, April 26, Coach Miller will take his squad to Chanute, his home town, to compete against the Blue Comets squad and on April 28 the team will travel to Parsons and tackle the Vikings in a match.

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Several PHS Boys Favor Baseball Team

P.H.S. sponsors many sports, but one that seems to be left out is baseball, or softball. Track, tennis, and golf teams are now going on, but some boys have expressed their opinion favoring a baseball team.

RONALD BROWN gave his opinion by saying, "I think a baseball team at PHS would really be swell, and I think we would have a pretty good one. I have heard that they are planning to have one next year."

"I like baseball better than track, and I think it would be a good idea to at least try having a baseball team," stated JOHN BAKER.

As "HOOT" GIBSON spends his time working out for track, he says, "With golf, tennis, and track going on, I don't see how we would have time for another sport now."

"SONNY" CAMPBELL explained his views toward having a baseball team by saying that it would be a 'good deal.' "TEDDY" LITTLE agrees with "Sonny" as he is in favor of a baseball team.

Shootin' Off Steam

Richard Lance

It seems some of the track fans from Joplin were perturbed when they saw a red headed boy run a quarter in the medley relay just after he had won (so they thought) the 880 yd. run. They wanted to know what his name was and the reply was, "Wilson". "Wilson", they exclaimed, "Why he just ran a half mile. He can't run another quarter."

Fans were really upset until it was explained that it was two different boys even though they both had red hair and both had the name of Wilson.

Maybe "Chick" and Cecil should wear some mark of identification so the fans would know them apart.

BILL RADFORD took a tough one on the chin when he lost the 440 yd. dash by only a few inches to Burrows of Columbus. Burrows overtook Radford in the stretch and crossed the line first for victory.

Of all the events, Pitt seems to be weakest in the pole vault and broad jump. In the meet Tuesday Pittsburg tied for fourth in the pole vault and placed fourth in the broad jump. This only gave the cindermen 1½ points for the two events.

Columbus and Ft. Scott didn't seem to have so much power in their ranks as they have had in the past. The Titans only scored 18½ points while the Bourbon County boys did a little better with 31 points.

BOB McVICKERS did a good job at the meet by taking second in both hurdle events. "Dummy" hadn't run the hurdles in any meet before this year and may improve considerably.

Speaking of hurdlers TOM HOOK reminds some people of Benny Boswell, Independence hurdler of last year, who won about every race he competed in. Another good thing about Hook is that he still has another year of competition left after this one.

There was a strong head wind to run against on the track as was

evidenced when the runners hit the stretch for the final strain to the tape. This made quite a handicap on the times of some of the events.

Golf Originates From Field Hockey

For the energetic golfers who think they are indulging in a new sport, this is just to serve as a reminder that they evidently didn't study their history very hard, for golf is an ancient sport.

The grandfather of golf, and of most field sports, is field hockey. Drawings have been found that portray shepherds, preceding the Christian era, pushing pebbles around with their staffs. However, this really wasn't golf. Sometimes a shepherd batted the pebble around by himself, and sometimes several played together.

Many things hindered the spreading of golf, but in the fourteenth or fifteenth centuries it was a definite game. The kings of Scotland tried to do away with the sport, however, many people played and the game was kept alive. The royal ban was lifted—automatically—when one of the rulers who had banned the game was caught playing it.

Golf spread slowly; the first golf tournament was held in 1860, and England's first golf club was organized in 1864.

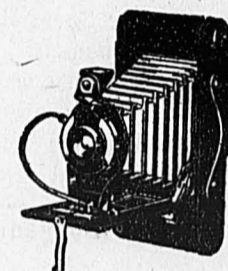
Golf Here in 19th Century
The United States was introduced to the game at the beginning of the 19th century, but little was done to further the game. In 1913 the sports-minded public were started when Francis Quimet, a former caddy, defeated Harry Vardon and Ed Ray, the greatest golfers of that time.

After those great games, the American people were curious about the game. They asked questions, wondered what was so hard about hitting a ball. Many tried, and eventually they were converted to the game of golf.

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