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## Miller-Lanyon Sponsor Play Day

Sixth graders from Lincoln, Central, and Eugene Field grade schools have been invited to Roosevelt Saturday, May 15, for the annual Play Day. This project is under the sponsorship of Miss Helen Lanyon and Coach Dick Miller.

The entertainment begins at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude near 1:30 p.m. Activities will include games in kickpin, relays, bombsaway, folk dances, and get acquainted mixers. Softball is scheduled for each team. In case of rain, all activities will be held in the Roosevelt gym.

One of the highlights of the morning is a building tour to acquaint future junior high pupils with the placement of class rooms.

Teams chosen for the participation in the games will have funny paper names. Those already suggested for the girls' teams are Daisy Duck, Little Iodine, Boots, Maggie, Orphan Annie, and Gravel Gertie.

Noon will be lunch time and funny paper time in the cafeteria. Students will eat at tables decorated with puppet characters from funny paper strips.

An afternoon assembly will include an address of welcome by Principal Finis M. Green, a song fest, and several technicolor cartoons.

## Soph-Fresh Frolic To Be Held May 18

Sophomores and freshmen from Lakeside and Roosevelt have a night of entertainment scheduled for Tuesday, May 18, from 7:30 till 10 o'clock. All plans will be carried out in the Roosevelt gymnasium.

Dancing, refreshments, and programs will fill the gym as future sophomores get acquainted with present ones. Each school is responsible for some type of entertainment.

Sponsors for the occasion are Mrs. Lewis and Mr. Biddle. Miss Messenger will assist the sponsors.

## KSTA Encourages Future Teachers

Recently Mr. Green received a letter and poster on the teaching profession; this information was sent by the Kansas State Teachers Association in an effort to encourage high school seniors to make teaching their career.

Education offers unlimited opportunities to students who seek professional careers. Due to the rising birth rate and the "war babies" the openings in the elementary field are the most numerous. In the next five years 500,000 new elementary teachers will be needed in the American schools—during the next ten years 1,000,000 new teachers will be needed. However teachers in all grades are badly needed.

Perhaps one of the greatest drawbacks to the teaching profession is the salary; this however, is on the increase. Everyone is demanding that America's children have teachers who are well-trained and well-paid.

## State Chamber of Commerce Sends Thanks Note to Green

Mr. Green recently received a thank you letter from J.R. Halladay, publicity director for the Kansas State Chamber of Commerce, for the fine assistance offered by this high school in the recording made for the "Kansas On The Air" program.

## Pittsburg High Students Experience Busy Year

### Parties, Athletics, Clubs Fill Calendar

About nine months ago the sophomores were shyly going from class to class, feeling bewildered at the swift pace of high school life. The juniors returned from a summer's vacation, ready for work (?) And the seniors, well, they just came back.

That was in September. Elections also took place at this time. In October there was held in the Little Theater a party for the new students. Pittsburg lost to Iola in the first league game of the season and won from Chanute all in the same month.

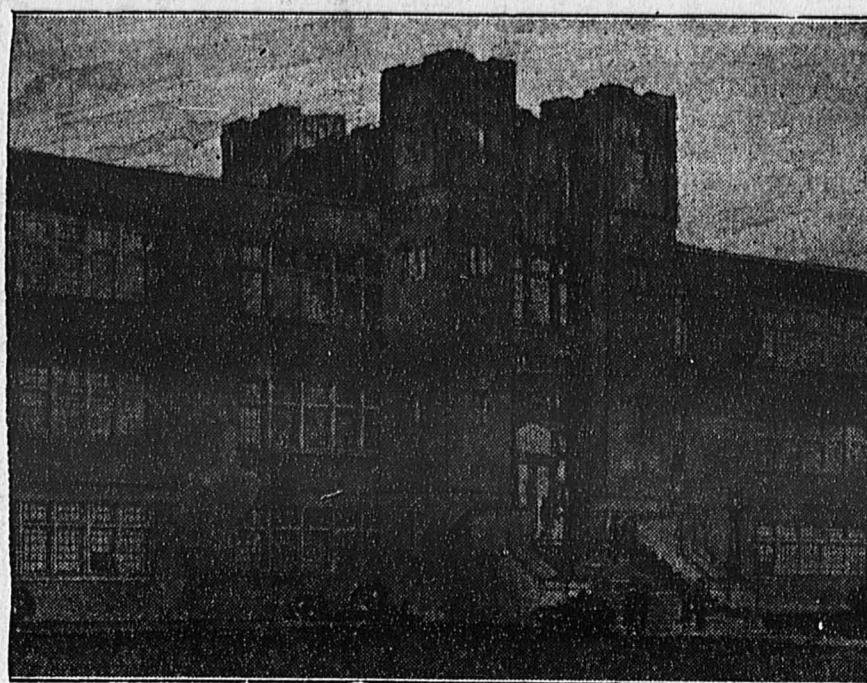
October was a busy month. Football boys elected Judy Veach as their queen, the first school dance was held, and plans were begun for National Education Week. Snake Dance Planned

November, not to be out-shone by its sister, boasted of the announcement that Bill Nicholson received the title role of Henry in the play, "What a Life." The student council made plans for a school snake dance on Nov. 13.

The annual Booster Talent show brightened November quite a bit. As did the Dragon's battle for the coal scuttle. Debaters attended the KSTC meet and happy day! School was dismissed for Thanksgiving vacation.

With December came the junior class play, the Hi-Y-Y-Teen Mixer, the music clinic for music students at Ft. Scott, and the annual Homecoming Day. Student votes revealed "Who's Who" in the senior class. The speech class presented a radio skit and school was dismissed for the holidays.

Seniors Order Announcements After an eventful New Years students returned to school to find a busy schedule facing them. Senior announcements had to be or-



Seniors Leave PHS After Three Happy Years

dered, the band show details to be worked out, and the basketball boys practiced to win from Joplin.

Hearts began to flutter in February as the Booster Valentine Messenger Service went into action. Music lovers thoroughly enjoyed the orchestra concert as well as the Gilbert-Sullivan Operetta Company that presented an assembly. The Y-Teens held their "Big and Little Sister" party and the Dragons defeated Topeka 44-33.

March came in like a lion with the Dragons winning the Regional Basketball Tournament and went out like a lamb, pleased at the announcement of the senior class play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay."

With the April showers came more honors for PHS. Music students took high ratings at the District Music Festival held here in Pittsburg. And the track team won their first meet of the year.

Of course, May brings flowers and also graduation. This month is literally over-run with activities.

## School Teacher Reporter Applies For Position

Securing a position as a rural school teacher isn't as easy as it sounds. Making an investigation all on my own, I found that my first step was an interview with Mr. J. E. Needham, county superintendent of public instruction.

With this thought in mind, I journeyed to Girard and with the help of friends located the county court house.

Walked Right by Office Alone in this big, dark building I hunted diligently for Mr. Needham's office. After inquiring of a passer-by, I found that I had walked right by the door on my way into the building.

Entering his office, I saw maps hanging on all the walls. There were enough maps to picture the whole world but on close investigation, I found they were all maps of Crawford County.

Mr. Needham was an interesting person to talk with. He is well versed on conditions in rural communities. "The need for well-trained rural teachers is increasing each year," stated Mr. Needham. It's Hard Work

Twelve hours of college work is required in order to be eligible for a provisional teacher's certificate. This can be made in one full summer's work. So, "it's not so easy as it looks." It takes long hours of hard work to qualify as a rural school teacher.

Then after the college work is completed there is always the task of looking for a school which suits

your taste; "however, it is not a hard task in Crawford County as several schools are without teachers," stated Mr. Needham. Each person interested in teaching is provided with a list of schools along with the names of board members whom they may contact in regard to obtaining the position as teacher. "The field of teaching is open to all interested in this profession," concluded Mr. Needham.

## Seniors, Guests Hold Banquet At Hotel

Members of the Senior class and their guests held their annual banquet last Monday evening in the Collegiate Room at the Besse hotel.

President of the Senior class, Richard Lance, was Toastmaster. John Gibson gave the invocation, while Bob Hull, president of the junior class, gave the Response. Finis M. Green, principal of PHS, made a short talk. Solos were played by Don Caldwell, violin; Bill Rohr, trombone; Barbara Banta, piano; and Phyllis Sill, vocal.

Phyllis Wray and Sue Woods acted out one of their well-known comedies. Mr. Johnson's Girls Double Trio concluded the program with "End of a Perfect Day."

Tomato juice was first on the menu, followed by baked chicken, whipped potatoes, a vegetable, jello salad, rolls and butter, and coffee. The dessert consisted of ice cream and cake.

## Bowers To Speak For Graduation Thursday, May 20

Dr. Walter B. Bowers of Roger Babson's Utopia College located near Eureka, Kans., has been selected by the Board of Education as Commencement speaker for graduation exercises at Memorial Auditorium on May 20. Rev. Wallace Farris, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will speak at the Baccalaureate services which will be held in Memorial Auditorium on May 16.

Two special numbers, "Go To Dark Gethsemane" and "Onward Christian Soldiers," will be sung by the mixed chorus at Baccalaureate. Other music numbers for the occasion will be provided by the high school band under the direction of Mr. Orville Johnson, director.

The invocation and benediction will be given by members of the Pittsburg Ministerial Alliance. Announcement of the selection of these persons has not been made.

Appearing before a Pittsburg audience for the first time will be Dr. Bowers. The title of his address has not been disclosed, but according to Mr. Lowell A. Small, superintendent of schools, "Dr. Bowers' address should be very interesting to hear. He seems convinced that this area of the United States is destined to become one of the most progressive in the future. Undoubtedly, he will bring some of his feeling into his speech." The orchestra and the girls' glee club will provide the music for the commencement exercises.

## PHS Wins Honors At Science Academy

Retiring with second place honors for the all inclusive best science display was the PHS science department after entering in competition at the Kansas State Junior Academy of Science, April 30, at KSTC.

Double recognition and honors was given to Janice Jacques who received a first place award for her speech on "Opportunities for Women in the Field of Veterinary Medicine" and later she was elected president of the Kansas State Junior Academy of Science.

Others receiving awards were as follows: second place ratings, Norma Jean Barbero and Joan Trumbule for their talk and demonstration on "A Study and Collection of Some Common Spring Flowers"; Harrison Kashi for his talk on "The Development of Plastics"; Jim Hamilton and Norma Johnson for their demonstration of "Liesegang Rings"; third place ratings, Jim Brown for his exhibit of "Aircraft Control Models."

Other entries from Pittsburg were a talk "A Study of Some Interesting Nesting Habits of Birds" by Wanda Tosser, a talk "Famous Women in the Field of Science" by Anna C. Lindsay; a talk and demonstration, "Some Helpful Hints On Mounting of Display Work" by Betty Paccioni and Peggy Jackson; a talk, "Radio Active Isotopes" by Mitzi Angwin and an exhibit by the Pittsburg High Photography Club.

Schools participating in the competition were Wichita East, which took first place for the best all inclusive science display, Lawrence, Manhattan, Chanute, Independence, College High and Pittsburg High. There were approximately 75 contestants in the entire meeting.

To mention a few, there is the Junior-Senior Frolic and Prom, the Senior Banquet, Freshman-Sophomore Fun Fest, Play-Day, Baccalaureate, and finally commencement services to end a busy year for the seniors.

## Jr.-Sr. Prom To Be Friday In RJHS Gym

Plans are being made for the Junior-Senior prom on Friday, May 14, in the Roosevelt gymnasium. This will be one of the biggest occasions of the year for the students.

Activities will begin at 8:00 p.m. to give students time to sign annuals. These annuals will be distributed during the sixth hour of the day. A dance band made up of several former students will start playing at 8:30 and dancing will begin at that time.

Refreshments will be served during the latter half of the dance. About 10:30 p.m. K.S.E.K. will make a broadcast of the prom and short program planned. This program will include those musicians winning number one ratings at the state festival recently and interviews with students.

The party ends near 11:30, but the band has kindly volunteered to play a little longer if enough students are interested in remaining to dance.

## Y-Teens Choose New Committee Chairmen

During the year the Y-Teen club has many programs of varied nature. Committee chairman plan these programs with the help of their committee members. To lead the program committee, Esther Green, newly elected Y-Teen president, has appointed Wanda Tosser. It will be Wanda's job to see that the Y-Teen members have a program every Thursday.

To assist Wanda in carrying out these programs will be the other committee chairman. Virginia Adams will lead the service committee, and will have charge of all projects of service work done during the year.

As Lois Ruth Griffith did such a splendid job as worship chairman this year, she was reappointed to fill this position again. To plan the Y-Teen parties and help with the Hi-Y and Y-Teen mixers will be Doris DuBois as the social chairman.

Patsy Epperson will see that the activities of the club get into the papers as she will be in charge of publicity. Jakalene Clanton will keep the girls' spirits high with music and her pianist will be Billie June Smith.



## THROUGH THE MINE

### Responsibility Becomes Greater After Graduation Days Are Over

Oh happy, happy day! It's almost time for graduation—the big night with all the frills and fun. Twelve years of work and play with about the same old gang—then boom! It's gone. What comes next?

A voice on the street remarked sadly, "Well, there goes Suzie. She was always so successful at school; quite a big 'wheel." Another anonymous voice said catily, "Shes more like a big 'top' now, I'd say, just spinning with no place to go."

Yes, Suzie is like many high school graduates. She isn't exactly ready for marriage or for work either, and she doesn't really want to go to college so she just drifts.

Or maybe she does go to college and takes no interest in her work, or takes a "blind alley" job with no advancement in sight.

Graduation is definitely a big time in teen-agers lives, but it shouldn't blind them to their future. This is the ideal time to plan and council with teachers or other adults about their future.

If each student has in mind the plan for his life, he may truly say, "OH HAPPY, HAPPY DAY."

Mary Jean Periman

### Compliments Build People Mentally And Physically

"Your hair really looks nice today" or "Oh, I just love those new shoes of yours" are not just idle words but are more glorious to the hearer's ears than music.

Nothing makes a person feel better than a compliment no matter how small. It means that there is someone who has noticed and admired something about him or her.

Let a person know you care that they won that honor or that you wish you had a dress like they have.

Don't be afraid they will just think you're flattering them even if they say you are because that compliment will probably be one their most often remembered treasures.

Receiving a compliment will build them up mentally and physically.

Of course insincerity is bad. Some people say they can't find anything to compliment a person about, but that comes from lack of interest in others.

Everyone has some good trait, habit, or accomplishment to be admired.

You'll be glad you were interested enough to notice when you see their face light up in a smiling "thank you" and see their day change into a happy one because of you.

Donna Ross

## Smiles

### Open Door To Happier Life

Maybe people don't know how to smile. One sees faces bare as windows without curtains when a smile hung from the eyes and mouth would do wonders for the person and the onlooker.

Instructions for smiling are simple.

#### Smile All Over

Required materials to produce a heart-warming smile are simply two eyes, one mouth, and a heart.

First take two stars from a store of memories and make them twinkle into the eyes so they fairly wink when they meet another

pair.

Second put clothespins on each corner of the mouth to keep them from sagging. Be sure they are the pincher variety so they won't give away with the weight of troubles and disappointments.

Third implant a tree of love for humanity in the heart and let smiles blossom from it.

#### Smiles Carry On

Don't be scared the smile will blossom then die, for a smile is never dead but goes on and on.

When a smile comes to full bloom it then multiplies into three smiles—one that goes out to the other persons, one that does a reverse action back into the smiler, and one that is undoubtedly received in return.

A smile isn't just to be used as a happiness display but also as a cover-up for troubles, disappointment and blues. Smilers find it's a great tonic for themselves and received too.

So "pack up your troubles in an old kit bag and smile, smile, smile."

Donna Ross

## H. S. Students' Interest Wanes In Comic Books

Will Superman catch the dastardly criminals? This problem, according to a recent poll conducted in over 1600 high schools in the country, is far less ingrossing to students of high school age than it was when they were in grade school.

The poll conducted by the Institute of Student Opinion, found that 85 per cent of high school students either don't read comic books at all or only occasionally. The survey deals only with comic books, not with newspaper comic strips.

Of those queried about these "penny-dreadful thrillers" 51.74 per cent had read none within the last week; 29.16 per cent read only one or two; and a hearty few, 19.10 per cent, had read from three to six or more in said week.

A hopeful note was sounded when it was discovered in the survey, sponsored by Scholastic magazines, that after the sixth grade, students attention to the private lives of the Batman and Bugs Bunny, waned each year.

"The fact that more than 90 per cent of the students stated that their greatest interest in comic books was from the third through the eighth grades," commented Margaret Hauser, director of the Institute "seems to indicate that if a great number of boys and girls of high school age are reading comic books, they are not attending high school."

### Reporter Predicts Students' Futures

We predict that—

DOUG STORY will find his championship basketball team to coach right here in P.H.S. If this year was barometer, that is.

DON PETERSON will put Bob Hope "in the shade" someday. His motto: A laugh with every paragraph.

BILL NELSON'S "home for wayward girls" will be run by and with the consent of JoAnna Singleton.

TONY PISTOTNIK will get his "fill" of poking around in people's mouths. One thing, though, they can't talk back.

CECIL WILSON will leave a blazing trail through K.S.T.C. next year. Due to his red hair, of course.

ROBERTA HAEGERT will be getting into condition on the track field for next leap year. That is unless she can establish a "beach-head" with one of Uncle Sam's nephews before then.

PATRICIA PARMENTER will have "money to burn" in a few years. After all, a future college graduate should have some privileges.

CHARLENE GLASSER will have her hands full trying to beautify this coming generation.

SUE WOODS will write a best-selling novel entitled "Woman in White." The experiences told will be taken directly from the radio program of the same name.

## Signs of Spring Shown In Girls' Drindle Skirts

Now that the seasons are changing, girls clothes are also changing from wool skirts and sweaters to summer drindle skirts and thin blouses.

Around PHS one finds many signs of spring portrayed in the girls clothes which range from the smart, new cotton dresses like those of MARGRET KELLY to the practical skirts and blouses like WIMPY ROEBER has been wearing. JUDY VEATCH has been donning some very attractive cotton dresses which have been made various ways and of different types of stripes.

CHERI MONTGOMERY and DIANE WALKER may usually be seen in pretty white sheer blouses which can be worn with any type skirt. SHERRY STRECKER has a very cute plaid cotton skirt which is made in three tiers with each one being a little fuller than the one above. The other day RUTH SUTTERFIELD wore a pretty aqua butcher linen dress which looked very neat.

Some people may think girls of PHS are a little untidy with their petticoats showing, but they will find that they are the ruffled type and should be shown off. JO ANNA SINGLETON and DONNA KEMPTER may be seen with very pretty ruffles showing around the bottom of their skirts.

Moccasins and saddle shoes are changing to ballet slippers of many different colors. Also, white leather flat heeled sandals are just beginning to make their appearance.

## Boys Rival Girls For Keeping Junk

Which is worse, boys' pockets or girls' purses? Most people agree that the girls have it over the boys when it comes to stuffing purses with everything imaginable.

A few articles common to both boys' pockets and girls' purses are pens, pencils, nailfiles or nail clippers, comb, and billfold.

To this girls usually add compacts, lipsticks, rouges, various kinds of cold creams, hair pins, nail polish, coin purses, small sewing kits, pins, needles, runner-stops for hose, small writing pads, letters, stamps aspirins, and a band-aids.

Not to be forgotten are the knives, various nails, tacks, and bolts, gum, loose change, hankerchiefs, old sales tickets and other scraps of paper that are usually found in boys' pockets.

While boys' pockets may be worse than girls' purses, boys do not have to take an inventory or keep a card index in order to find what they are looking for—the one advantage to carry only a few articles in their several pockets.

## The Strip Pitt

Ima Digger

### Ima Farewell

Now is the time to say good by from Ima Digger and her writers.. believe it or not there has never been an Ima Digger, but several members of the staff at various times during the year have written under this pen name. From these poor lost souls - they took a year of journalism - comes a warm and hearty thanks for reading the articles that appeared in this column. If you have enjoyed these bits of humor half as much as we have enjoyed writing them, then our mission has been accomplished.

### Parting Shot

And now as a parting word from the staff to our readers, we dedicate the following story as the PRIZE STORY of the YEAR, to the SENIORS. Naturally it would be about a Green Sophomore who probably will grow up to be a sophisticated senior, we hope. Here it is just as it appeared in an earlier Booster:

### Off-Hand Interview

Now we know where Jim Hamilton spent his younger days. The truth has finally come out. The other day in Physics with a note of experience in his voice, Jim declared that "Television was first initiated in Chicago taverns!"

### We Get A Story

Sponsors are funny people. When a reporter seeks information on the Freshman-Sophomore fun fest, he goes to the sophomore sponsors, Mrs. Lewis and Mr. Biddle. But to no avail:

Mrs. Lewis, in hopes of getting back to her scheduled class, rushed the poor guy off with suggestions to see Mr. Biddle and Miss Messenger.

This was just the beginning. Miss Messenger was the next victim. She also had a class session and only offered the quick and valuable, but old, information of "see Mr. Biddle and Mrs. Lewis."

Mr. Biddle was very nice about the whole deal. He, too, didn't have time to reveal needed information, but he did refer the important questions to Miss Messenger and Mrs. Lewis.

The staff wants to thank Miss Lanyon for her helpful information on the subject. How she got in on the discussion is more than we'll ever know.

It really wasn't this bad, but it seemed so.

### Poor Bibler

The Booster Banquet proved to be very enlightening especially to Mr. Green, who was a guest at the affair. It seems that Richard Slinkman gave an "informative" speech on "Jokes by Bibler" and told in great detail about the time and energy he spent studying these jokes "for their great educational value."

Mr. Green said, I'm so glad I got to attend this banquet. You see, I've always wondered what Richard spent all his time doing."

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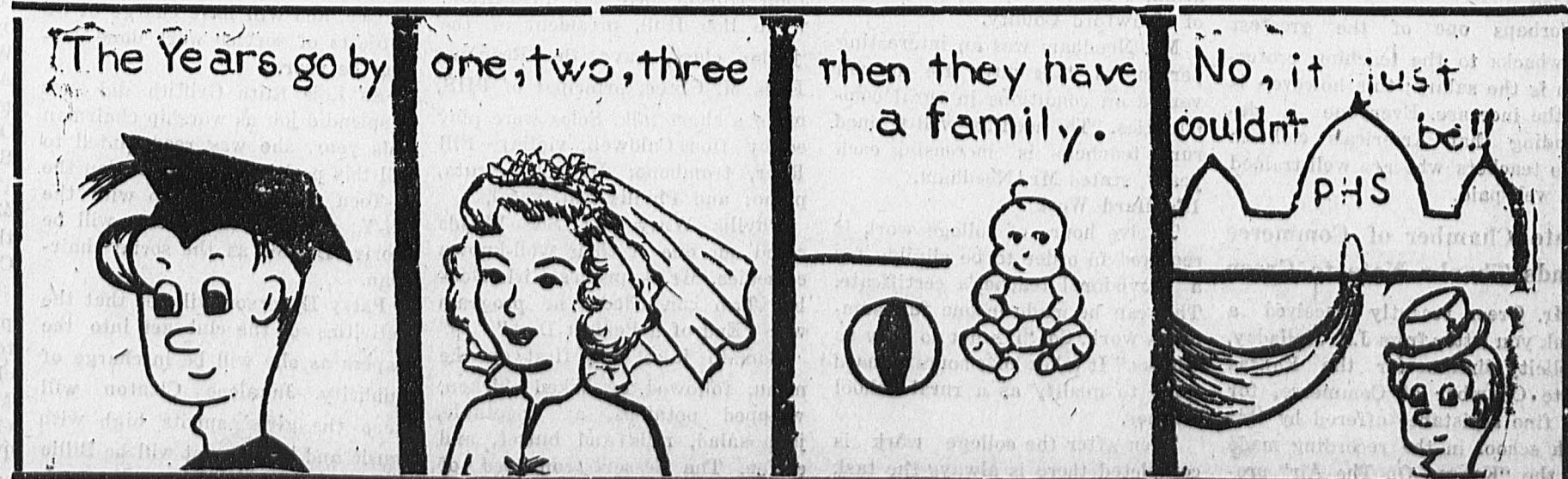
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# Seniors On Parade

## Seniors Cherish Last Fond Memories Of Years In School

### CARROLL MYERS

Carroll Myers must love beef for she is always saying "Oh My Cow!" Printing was what she liked best about PHS. "Dukie" leaves Mr. Nation's Sociology class to all juniors. This cute senior's ambition is to marry a certain bus driver.

### CECIL WILSON

"Whattaya' say Rine" announces the presence of Cecil Wilson, called "Wils" by his partners. Pat Glennon was his favorite class in P.H.S., but he leaves Mr. Nation's sociology class to next year's students.

This summer "Wils" will go to Rockford, Ill. to WORK, but next year will find him in school at K.S.T.C.

### JAMES BROWN

Jim made this statement when asked what he planned to do this summer; "Spend it trying to figure out what Mr. Nation means by 'all things being equal.'" He admitted that his secret ambition is to get up enough energy to wind his watch.

Jim liked the assemblies that interrupted class work most. To the underclassmen, he leaves a bath in Cow Creek.

### WANDA EVANS

"Dizzy" plans to work this summer and attend college at Manhattan next fall. Her favorite expression seems to be "Oh! That helps."

Wanda liked most about PHS the school itself and she wills to the juniors the worry of their coming year.

### RONALD BROWN

"I had lots of fun in PHS; I think that's what I liked best," Ronnie decided.

This summer he'll probably work somewhere. Ronnie thinks he will attend either a junior college or a college.

"I'll just leave all the ragged towels down in the dressing room for future athletes," grinned Ronnie.

### WILMA HARTSHORN

Here we have "Toots," who hopes to become a public stenographer.

She wishes to leave Mr. Nation's government tests for future students to worry over.

"I don't know what I liked best, just the school in general or the subjects," Wilma grinned.

K.S.T.C. will have one more student next year when Wilma will attend.

### RAY BELL

"I liked the kids best of all about PHS," Ray grinned, then stated, "I'll just leave them my old worn out books."

What he really wants to do is to be a good baseball player, but in the meantime he'll work in the grocery store.

"Next year is rather undecided, I might be drafted," Ray said after thinking a minute.

"You don't say," he offhandedly remarked as he hurried off to lunch.

### WANDA COTTRELL

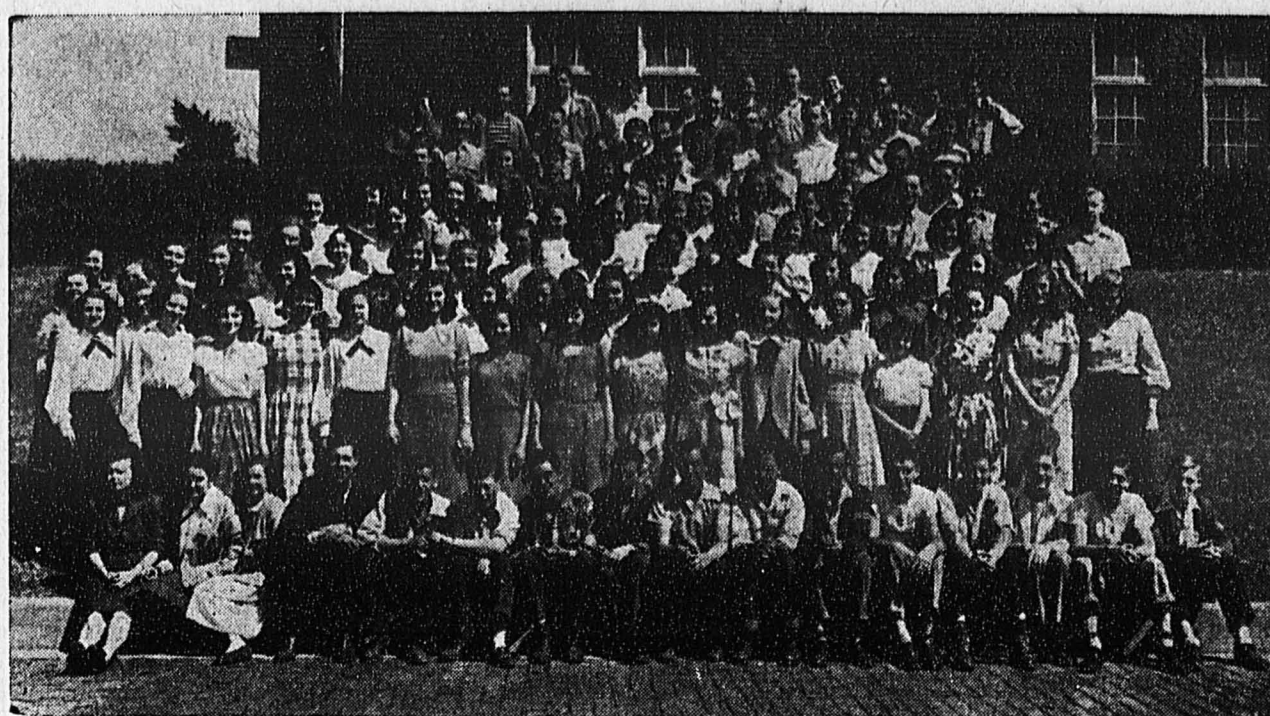
"Jock" wants to lead a life of leisure.

If you see this senior wandering about the halls, she'll no doubt be with her best girlfriend, Jo Ann, and you'll hear Jock express herself with, "Well, la de da."

"Mr. Tewell's long poems is what I want to leave to other unlucky souls," Wanda said with a twinkle in her eye.

Jock especially liked the assemblies.

This summer she may go to California; next year she'll go to College.



The seniors will finish one of the most successful and eventful years ever remembered in Pittsburg Senior High School.

### VIRGINIA ENGLAND

She tells that her nickname is "Gige," but if her dreams come true there'll be a "Doctor" on her name plate. Next year she's going to KSTC.

"I leave Mr. Cromer to PHS. Thank heavens!" sighed Virginia. She liked Mr. Cline best about this school. She isn't crazy, is she, girls?

### JOHN FONTAINE

Johnnie, as he is called by his closest friends, wants to become a scientist. Perhaps he will go into the field of aeronautics for that is his favorite class in school. His hobby is taking bicycles apart and fixing them. No doubt in doing this, he has quite frequently used his favorite expression, "Oh heck!"

To next years students he leaves the gum under the library chairs.

### LOIS RAE TAYLOR

"Caledonia" alias Lois Rae Taylor has a unique ambition—to train a zebra. This active senior will work at the Headlight this summer and will go to KSTC this fall.

As for what she liked best in PHS "It was the untiring effort put forth by teachers in order to develop both harmonious and intensified student personality." Wow!

### HARRISON KASH

"Greetings and salutations," marks the entrance of Harrison Kash usually known as HK.

Harrison's ambition, as if no one knew, is to be a chemist and to get a job next summer at Bruce and William's laboratories in Joplin. Naturally the two things he enjoyed most about PHS were Mr. Cline and the chemistry lab.

Big-hearted Harrison leaves to the undergrads of PHS all the broken test tubes in the building.

### JACK BELINO

"Shorty," as he is sometimes called, plans a career in photography and to help it along he plans to get a job next summer in a local photographer's studio.

"Gosh, I don't know," seems to be Jack's favorite expression.

He does know that he wants to leave to all next year's seniors "the broken-down chair in Mr. Nation's room with his initials carved in it."

### FRED STROPE

His nickname is Fred to get out of using his real name (shhhhh) its "Frederick." He plans to work in the hay fields and at the golf course this summer. He hopes to go to KSTC next fall.

Fred's favorite likes about PHS were "just the kids." In his legacy to the juniors and sophomores, though, he leaves a "good dunking in Cow creek" so watch out tenth and eleventh graders.

### Diplomas Represent Work Plus Enjoyment

The strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" drift lazily through the warm spring air as the graduates march in a solemn line across the stage to receive the fruits of 12 long years of study. But wait a minute those purple clad diplomas don't represent simply a peck of drudgery, they also signify a world of good times, classroom friends and extra-curricular activities.

Remember the first time those seniors invaded the portals of this beloved school in the role of green little sophomores who just couldn't seem to get adjusted to the big world about them? It was practically a riot when the sophomore girls gym class showed up in the boys gym the first day. The poor girls were scared half silly.

Who can forget the first Sadie Hawkins day celebration all those crazy costumes and assembly put on by the teachers. At the Dasiy Mae-Lil Abner dance it was a scream when the sophomore girls showed up with senior boys and senior girls came tag.

The eventful times the Purple Dragons plowed away to victory on the football field to the tune of the rousing of the crowd cheers and school song. These are all red letter days in the lives of all PHS'ers. Not to be slighted are the basketball games played by the Purple Cagers in Roosevelt gym. Most exciting, of course, was the state tournament when the Dragons fought for victory against such teams as Newton and Ark City.

The grandchildren of PHS'ers are sure to hear about the grand old time had by grandma and grandpa at the school dances, junior-senior prom, the senior banquet and those club picnics in the spring when everyone was catching a bad case of spring fever.

Such will be the reminences never to be forgotten by those dignified seniors trudging across the stage to receive their tickets for the road of life.

### MARILYN SEYMOUR

"To rear part of the future P.H. S. Dragons" is the one ambition of Marilyn Seymour.

"Butch," as some people call her, liked the wonderful times she had at school. She leaves the noon rush to the Cafeteria and Fowler's to future starved students.

### WILLIAM STROUD

"Decan" plans to go to Washington D. C. this summer and work. He has two major ambitions which are making a lot of money and to "beat the pinball machine at Daughtery's."

### CHARLENE GLASER

They call me "Charlie," said Charlene Glaser with a smile. "My favorite saying is 'Ha Ha'!" This senior liked graduation day the best about PHS. She wishes to leave all her tardy admits to the lucky juniors. Charlene hopes to become a beauty operator; next year she plans to start her preparations for this career by attending the Nu-Art Beauty School.

### VIRGINIA GRAHAM

Virginia says that her favorite saying is "Good riddance of bad rubbish." This senior is "Ginger" to all her friends. In her years in PHS she found the amusing episodes most to her liking. To be a mistress of the pen is Virginia's ambition. Next year will find her attending KSTC.

### WANDA WALL

If you see her wandering down the hall in a daze, you'll know she's just dreaming about Keith Allmon.

Wanda, known to Keith as "Little Moe", hopes to get married this summer, and the date's June 6. "Well I'll be" is the remark you'll most often hear her say.

"Arguing with Mr. Cromer is what I liked best in PHS," Wanda laughed.

She wants to leave all her "head-aches" to future students.

### MAXINE BROWN

"Dimples" happens to be the nickname of this senior, and her favorite expression is "Do you really know?" As her ambition is to be a secretary, she plans to go to California and work this summer. In the fall she intends to go to school in San Francisco. "I leave to all future seniors Mr. Nation, in whose class I could never chew gum without being caught," stated Maxine.

### JUDY VEATCH

The worthy ambition of petite Judy Veatch is to travel with Betsy as far as New York. This summer she plans to stay home and "drown" herself and next fall she will attend K.U. (?)

Judy leaves to the lunch-bringing sophomores and juniors the mice in the lockers. Best about PHS, in her opinion, was 'all the fun.

### BARBARA BANTA

"What's your first name, honey?" announces the presence of "Barb" Banta whose ambition is to go to Colorado.

This chemically minded (?) senior leaves the hydrogen sulfide experiments to the underclassmen, and she enjoyed making liesegang in "guess what" class best.

This summer Barbara will help her family move to another house, and will go to K.U. in the fall.

### Booster Dedicates Special Publication To '48 Graduates

Fond are the memories of the closing days of school, especially for the graduating seniors who are enjoying for the last time high school activities. As in the past, the Booster is striving to add its bit to the senior's enjoyment of the last few weeks of high school.

This issue of the Booster is dedicated to the seniors and their last words to the students of PHS who will assume the responsibilities of carrying on the traditions of high school life next year.

### CHARLES ZIMMERMAN

Some may know him by the name, Charles, but he said he had many nicknames so maybe you have a different name for him.

"Ouch" seems to be the favorite expression of this ex Navy man. When asked what he would like to leave to the sophomores and juniors, Charles said, "I'll just leave them the whole school." This summer he plans to work, and as his ambition is to be a diesel engineer he will probably work in that field.

### PATRICIA PARMENTER

"Patty" Parmenter's aim in life is to graduate from college and become a millionaire.

To accomplish this "tall," ambition "Patty" will begin college this summer.

"Patty" may be heard saying "Goodness, gracious sakes alive" about her teachers, the kids she knew, and the swell times she had at PHS.

To all the kids next year, "Patty" bequeaths her chairs, lockers, and hard work.

### BEULAH MOLEY

"Tiny" plans to go to California this summer. Her secret ambition is to get the one person she wants.

Beulah liked the printing classes and Mr. White most while in PHS. To future senior girls she leaves all the fun she had teasing Miss Messenger.

### NAOMI ROSS

"Oh, fine" designates the approach of "Nemie". She plans to work this summer. Her ambition is to live a happy, successful life.

The friendliness of students and teachers interested her most while in school. To the underclassmen she wills them all the nice times she has enjoyed this year at PHS.

### CONSTANCE SCHNEIDER

"Blondie" has a secret ambition, that is—"to have a good personality and make lots of friends." "Do you want to bet" is her favorite expression.

Connie liked Mr. Johnson's fifth hour music class most, and she wills underclassmen, "Everything they want and can carry!"

### BILL KAUDER

"Leaving the first floor" is Bill Kauder's, otherwise known as "Curly," ambition. "Curly" plans to work at some store this summer. Serious Ambition? This black haired senior boy has plenty as he wants to manage a grocery store someday.

### JEAN ABINGTON

Jean's nickname is "Atomic" and her favorite saying is "Is That So." To all the juniors Jean wants to leave Mr. Nation's government class.

Best about PHS Jean found that she liked Miss Gable's Food class. She hopes that next year will find her attending West Virginia State.



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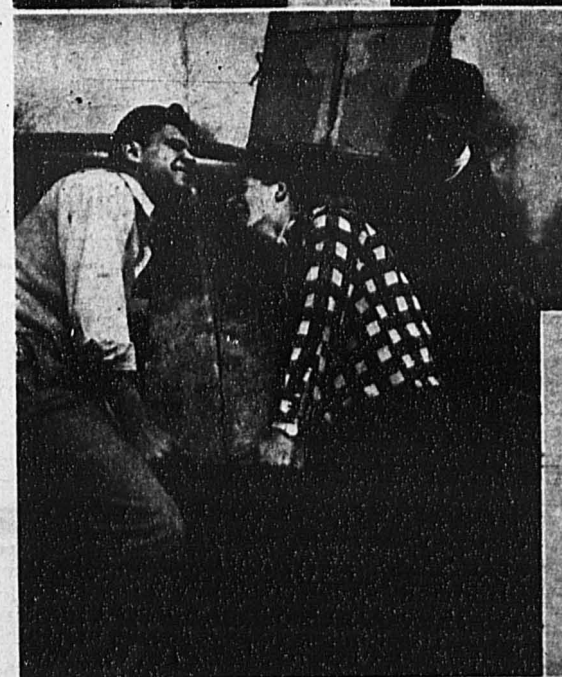
National High School News in Picture and Paragraph



This "silent orderly" gives Lt. Howard Elrod, R.O.T.C., of Joplin, Missouri, High School a last minute inspection before going on to the drill floor.

## Teen-age Broadcasters

... of Waco, Texas, High School give their listeners the lowdown on sports, headlines and fashions on their weekly radio program. Left to right are Edith Ponder, Patricia Smith, Bobby Schmidt, Otha Jones, and Katherine Mitchell.



## Raising Money . . .

... for future club activities at Burbank (Calif.) High School by means of a beanie and decal sale, these girls will start the school year "in the black."

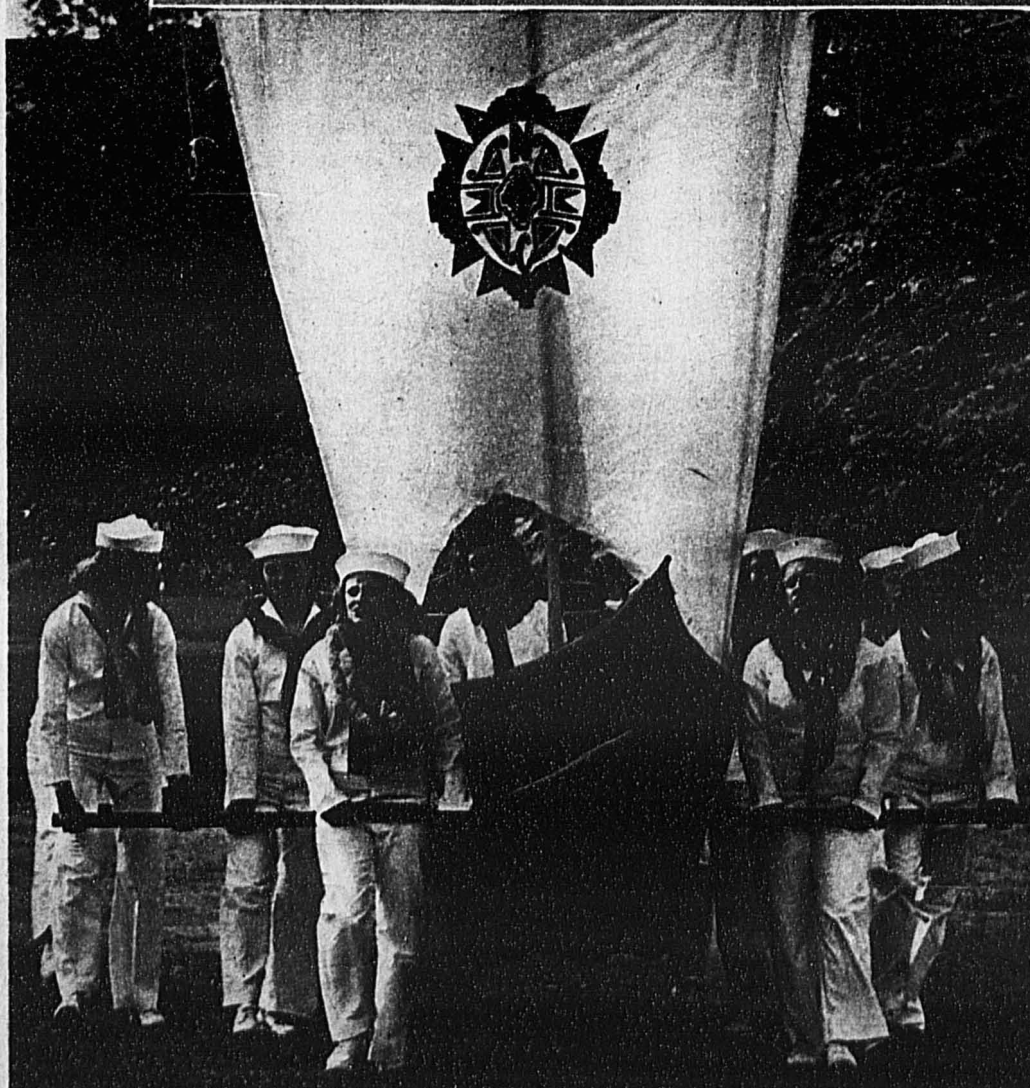
This looks like hard work, but Bill Taylor, Carl Cooper, and Fred Nickerson of Chestertown (Md.) High School enjoy loading trunks and boxes of materials bound for school children in Holland. Chestertown High students raised the money for this good deed by a variety show planned and produced by themselves.

PHOTO BY ADAMS

## The Good Ship

"North Central" was the center of attraction as a pageant staged by the girls' physical education department of North Central High School, Seattle. Seated aboard the craft is pretty Lucile Dunn, princess of the pageant.

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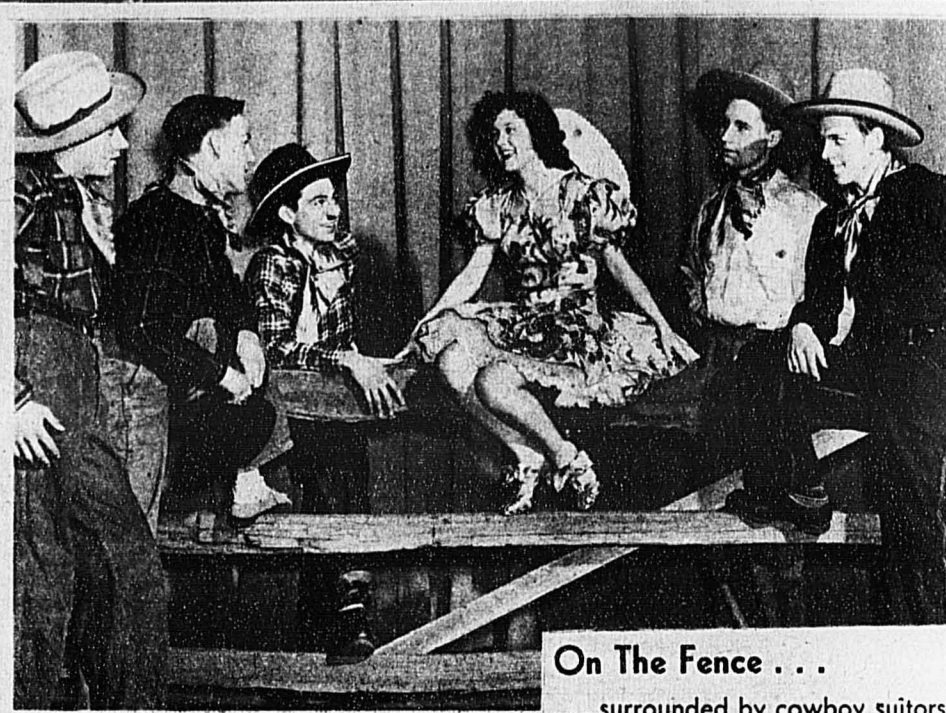
## The Feminine Angle

Bakersfield (Calif.) High School's three song leaders will always get to games and rallies on time in "Hoody" the Jeep. They are, left to right, Mary Lou Caldwell, Margo "Hoody" Hoodenpyle (who drives the Jeep to school daily) and Ann Breitingier.

### A Rough Moment . . .

. . . in the "Powder Puff" league occurs when Irene Wilcox (No. 23) of Milby High School, Houston, Texas, is tackled after making a sizeable gain. The girls donned football uniforms as a gag, but put on an exciting and spectacular contest for their amazed audience.

PHOTO BY DOANE



### On The Fence . . .

. . . surrounded by cowboy suitors is Jane Bostick of Upper Darby (Pa.) High School, as she sings the ballad "Gal in Calico" in the annual school talent show.

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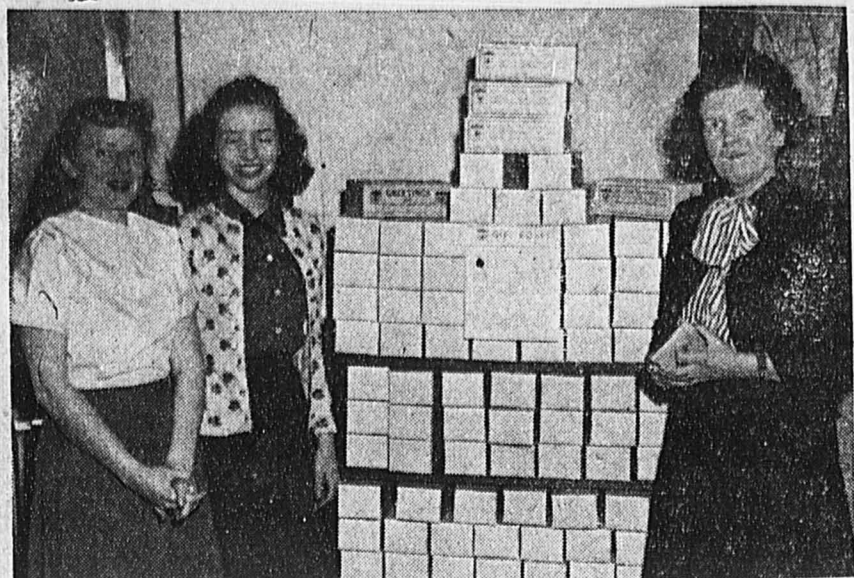
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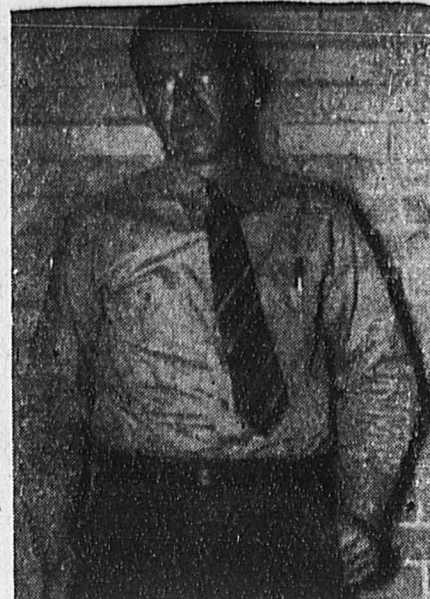
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# Camera Catches PHSers Spring Activities



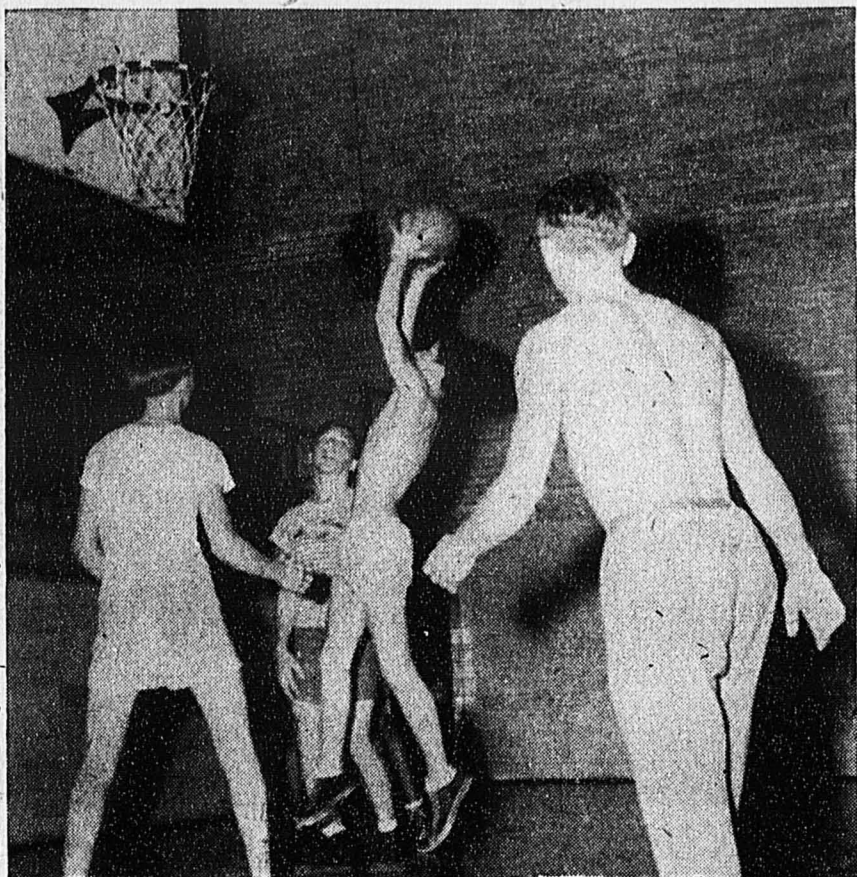
Junior Red Cross members report a successful year for 1948, with 175 Overseas Boxes filled.



Pictured is Coach Joe Winchester, who coached a successful track season for the 1948 Dragon thin-clads.



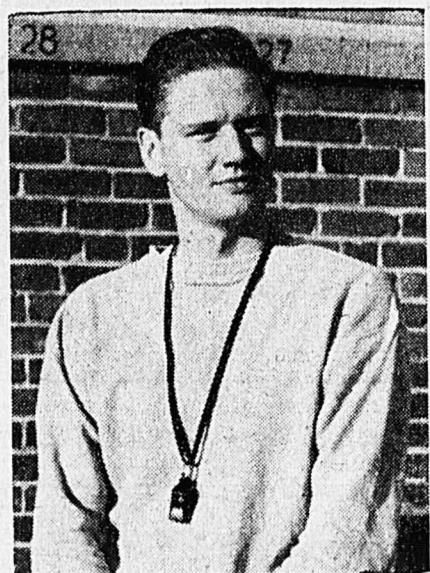
Marv White, captain for the night, receives the Regional tournament trophy from Jim Morey, tournament manager.



Boys Physical Education classes had a varied program this year with Martin Rohde as instructor. Here they play basketball in the Roosevelt gym.



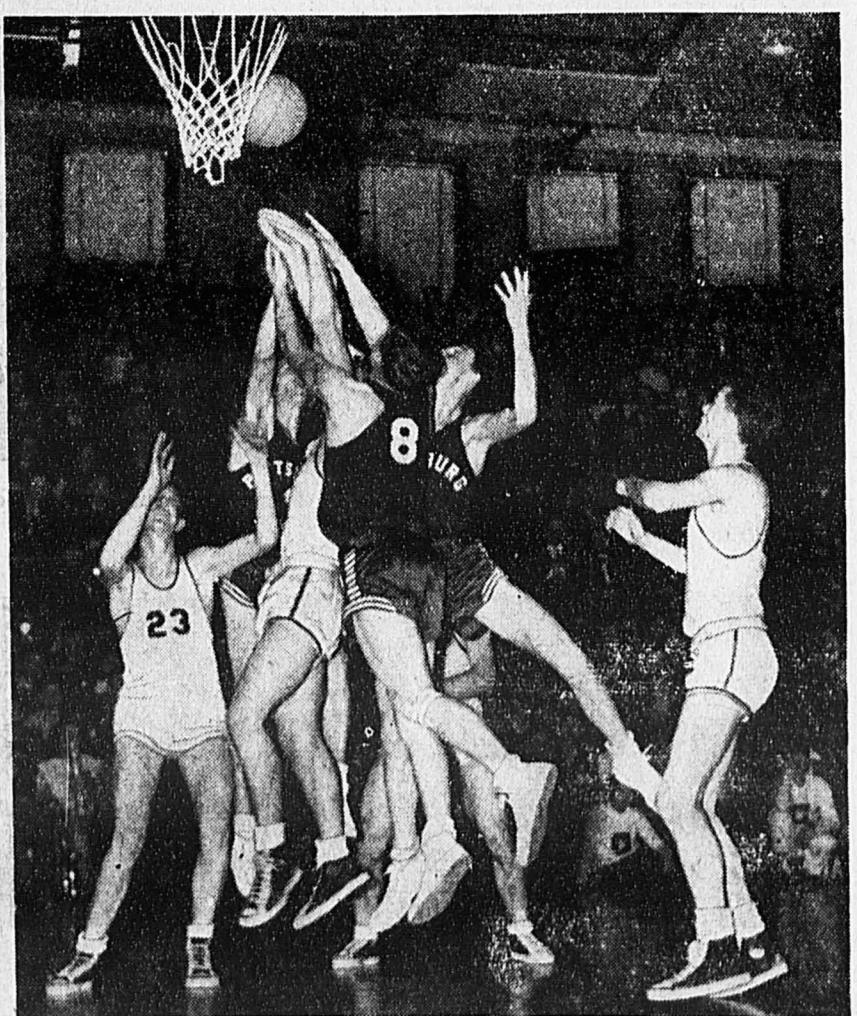
Jim McCabe and JoAnn Conrad were winners of the St. Patrick's day contest. They were selected as those dressed most appropriately for the day.



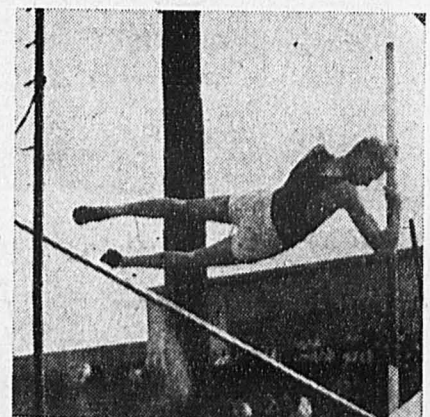
Coach Dick Miller, is a newcomer to the coaching staff of Pittsburg High School, having taken over the mentor duties of the basketball team.



The last part of the year found the Chemistry students busily at work in the laboratory under the direction of the instructor, Mr. Cline.



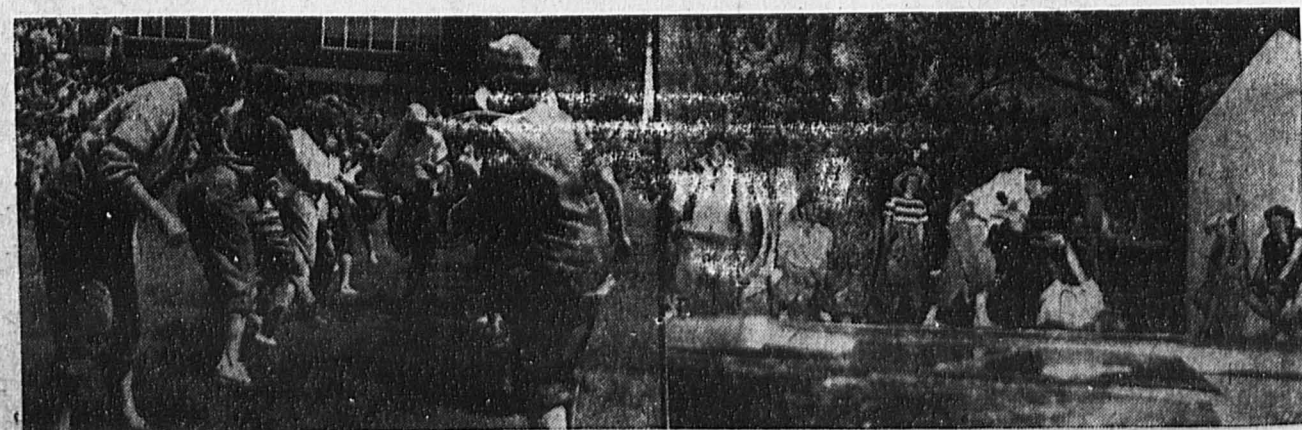
Don Caldwell, a Booster Photographer, catches a tense moment in the basketball game with Columbus, which the Dragons won 41-20.



John Gibson goes over the stick in the pole vault event of the four team meet at the Collge. Pittsburg won the meet.



Mr. Tewell's Speech classes found that speech making was much easier with the new magnetic recorder. Several students are pictured demonstrating the use of this machine.



The camera here catches a few high-lights of the annual Sadie-Hawkins day celebration, sponsored by the Student Council. The left picture shows the boys who eluded the girls in the noon-hour race being run through the sparring machine. The right picture shows the wrestling match between Mr. Sutton and Mr. Morey.



Mr. Biddle's mechanical drawing classes can be found busily at work during the school year in their room on second floor.



# Seniors Leave 'All The Everything' To Future Upperclassmen

## JERRY PATRICK

"Pat" liked vacations best about school life. To those victims roaming through the halls next year, Jerry leaves his many trials and tribulations. Jerry's aim and school ambition is to graduate.

## BILL ROHR

The music department loses a fine trombone player with graduation this year. Bill leaves the cherished position of first trombone to fellow band and orchestra members. Bill liked the music department above all.

## BENJAMIN ABINGTON

Believe it or not, Ben's nickname is "Benny Boy" and he doesn't care who knows it. "Caesar" for some obscure reason is his favorite expression. Oh, Ben, what you said!

Plans for the summer and fall include summer school and geometry and attendance at K.S.T.C. or West Virginia State.

## LUCILLE WEST

Her nickname is "Lucy." However she is one of the few people who doesn't bother her friends with hackneyed expressions.

To her underclassmen she leaves "the whole school." She plans to go to college next fall after a summer of working. Lucille's ambition is to be a secretary.

## SUE WOODS

"Poochie" whose ambition is to be anything successful, constantly tells people "don't be bashful".

Next year she wants to go into nurse's training and this summer she'd like to be a nurse's aid at the hospital.

"I especially liked all the parties we had and stuff" said Poochie.

## MYRENE STEVENS

Myrene's greatest ambition is to be a school teacher and she plans to begin her training in college this summer and teach in a rural school next fall.

She is sometimes known as "Not" and her favorite favorite expression is "Gee whiz." She liked her gym class most and to the juniors she leaves the good times in chemistry.

## MARVIN WHITE

Marv must be a very agreeable personality for his favorite saying is "true." More than anything else about PHS he liked the "holidays." Marv being the considerate soul that he is wanted to leave something to his junior friends; therefore he left the broken seat in the senior section.

## IMOGENE KEITHLY

Imogene Keithly, nicknamed Gene, has made many friends in PHS despite the fact that she only moved here last fall. Her favorite saying is "You know what?" and her favorite class was government.

To the poor unsuspecting juniors, Gene leaves the journalism class. She hopes that next year will find her as a bookkeeper.

## MAX STACY

Max is a regular employee at Stacy's Motor Company and will continue to work there this summer. Oddly enough Max, photographer for the Purple and White, has as his ambition "to stop taking pictures." He did enjoy this work, however, and leaves the smelly darkroom to next year's students.

## ROBERTA BOBBITT

"Rufus," meaning the red-haired one, or "Bert" will get the attention of Roberta, except during the mad rush to the cafeteria. The main thing she liked about school was Mr. Nation. She leaves her typewriter to the next year's graduates unless, of course she returns for another term. This nurse-to-be plans to spend the summer traveling.

## ROBERT WATERS

Bob's only ambition is to get out of school and getting out is what he liked best about school too.

"Next year I want to join the air corps," Bob tells his friends.

## Students Bequeath Fun, Sports, Building

What WOULD a '48 senior of PHS leave to future classes?

Some seniors might leave the best sport season in many years the wonderful football games where the Dragons never seemed to lose the excitement and unforgettable (how true) memories of the state basketball tournament—Topeka will never be the same again,—and the exciting spring track meets, especially when the Dragons brought in a first.

Other seniors would leave the school social activities; some of them sponsored by the harried but faithful Student Council. ...Sadie Hawkins Day with Mr. Green and his water gun, the lovely Junior-Senior Prom, the banquet, Valentine's Day with cupids rushing madly through the halls, the dances after the games. Considering everything the seniors in '48 had a pretty wonderful time.

Part of the seniors would leave the classes in everything from geometry to band. They griped, sure, but they enjoyed them and they'll miss them. They'll miss the teachers, too, characters that they are. And they'll leave the coming students to their tender (?) mercies.

The especially sentimental ones will leave the building itself. The three-year familiarity with the halls steps and rooms has bred a love of every scratch, every dent, every beaten-in locker—well almost every one.

All these things that a senior might leave add up to one whole.... simply "PHS," which in three short letters is "all the everything" of high school days. That is what the seniors leave.

## BETTY ROGERS

"Roge" wants to be a nurse and she will be employed in a doctor's office this summer.

Her favorite expression is "For heaven's sake." Her gym class is what she liked most about PHS. To the underclassmen she leaves anything their heart's desire.

## BILL RINEHART

Rinehart, famed quarterback, really enjoyed his three years at senior high. "Rine" felt honored at having so many fine classes to attend.

He leaves to future students the same thing Chaney, graduate of '46, left him. Bill would not disclose what Chaney left.

## JOSEPH BENJAMIN MOLEY

Answering to the name "Joe", is Joseph Moley who frequents the printing shop the most of any other room in PHS. Joe seems to have high hopes for himself for his ambition is "to get married and have a good and big family." Next year's printing students may look forward to the "type lice" left in the print shop, Joe's contribution to the cause.

## AVON GARRISON

PHS has its own "Blondie" in the form of Avon Garrison who will answer anytime someone of the opposite sex calls the proverbial, "Blondie!" Avon's ambition is to become a secretary, that is after she has completed a commercial course at KSTC. "Mr. Nation, thank goodness!" was Avon's exclamation when asked what she was leaving to next year's "lucky" seniors.

## JAMES GARRISON

Jim as he is called by his friends, isn't taking anything from school when he graduates; for to next year's students he is leaving "The whole school." He has an ambition that perhaps every PHS senior has had "To pass Mr. Nation's class." The thing that he likes best about school is Mr. Nation's jokes. This summer Jim is planning to work.



"Sadie Hawkins Day with Mr. Green and his water gun,"—

—Photo by Don Caldwell

## BEVERLY McCONAHA

Beverly McConaha's or "Bill's" ambition is to marry a radioengineer, named Alfred Kneebone. Bill's plans for this summer, next year, and the rest of her life include housekeeping for "Kneebone."

Beverly may be heard saying, "Well, geemane," about everything in PHS because she liked it.

## DON PETERSON

"Horse feathers!" you hear "Pete" shout as he wanders through the halls.

He must've liked being in the spotlight on the stage because his ambition is to be a big time stage actor or a car dealer.

"Oh, this summer I guess I'll go to Texas, then next year I'll go to college or get drafted," Don lazily replied.

## PHYLLIS WRAY

Phyllis Wray, nicknamed "Phil" would like to have Mr. Nation see one foot-ball game without having to take tickets.

Phyllis leaves to the kids next year the worry of graduating. Her favorite part of the school was the holidays, time between classes, and the assemblies.

This little senior may be recognized by her favorite expression "Whoops!"

## MELVIN JAMESON

This guy, "Mel" Jameson, sounds like a very lazy fellow. He has no ambition, his plans for the summer are, quote, "Sleep," unquote, and to next year's seniors he leaves the spot in the north hall, first floor where, "us guys used to sit at noon."

True, he has one redeeming feature: he plans to attend college next year. As he leaves, he recalls his principal enjoyment about high school: "The auditorium and what went on it."

## EDWARD GRANDLE

"Ed's" ambition is to find the gun Mr. Nation uses to shoot the bull with. "True!" is his favorite expression.

This geometry wizard plans to go to harvest this summer and next year...well, he may not be able to to tear himself away from government. Who knows?

## JOAN WHITE

She is a little gal better known by the name, "Jr." "Went on" is her favorite expression. Joan plans to work this summer, but she is not certain about her going to school next year. Her ambition is to be a good secretary.

## JACKIE LIPASEK

Jackie Lipasek, "Bebe," loves to call people by the name, "Snot", whether she means it or not.

"The best part of PHS will be getting out," says Jackie. This summer Bebe will loaf and go to Ft. Scott Juco next year.

## MARY LYNN HUNTINGTON

Leaving the light halls that used to be dark to coming pupils, Mary Lynn is happy to leave. She claims an enjoyable part of her three years in the field of sports.

Mary Lynn, who is one of the star twirlers with the band, does not plan to attend any college. She will go directly into work as a beauty operator.

## CARL COBB

Carl has a pleasant summer ahead of him, as he is planning to work. He hopes to find a job along the line of his ambition—he wants to become a baker. His hobbies are bowling and playing golf. His favorite subject is Government. To next year's students this speedy senior—he lettered in track—leaves the fluorescent lights and a lot of headaches.

## RAYMOND KNAUP

Ray Knaup, PHS track star, declares that his ambition is to beat Journey at Coffeyville. This versatile senior expresses himself freely by formulating the words, "That's how graveyards got started." His seat in Mr. Nation's class is Ray's parting gesture to next year's seniors, that is, if he is through with it himself.

## HARVEY GRANDLE

Harv as he is better known hopes to go to California this year. Perhaps while he is out there he will be able to work on his hobby which is "Renewing Old Things." Harv is an agreeable student for he states that he doesn't like anything about school. To next year's Seniors he leaves the petition, yet to be filled out, for cupidors in every hall. His ambition is one that several men in the state have tried in vain to fulfill. Harv wants to "Bootleg a case of whiskey into Topeka and sell it."

## WALTER BATES

"Sonny" or "McFloozle" liked Mr. Nation's democratic form of government most while at PHS. To the unlucky juniors he leaves a towel to dry on after their numerous baths in Cow Creek.

His ambition is to make a million dollars in three years. In order to reach this goal, he plans to do as little as possible this summer and work next winter.

## SUZANNE GEE

Suzie, as she is known to practically everyone, received all the needed credits from P.H.S. by the end of first semester, and since January has been attending college.

This summer this ambitious girl will be getting in more hours at college. Suzie's ambition is, "To be a Commercial Artist and get married," (or vice versa.)

## ELAYNE BARKWELL

Evidently she is a little slow at getting things done as she seems to have the nickname of "Pokey." Whether things go right or wrong, she comes up with "Oh my gosh." Next fall she plans to go into nurses training and work toward her ambition that of being a nurse. To future seniors she leaves Mr. Nation's government class.

## JAMES SMEDLEY

Small but mighty is this blond senior. Jim's favorite expression is "What the H'll!" and he really raises the roof with it. His life-long ambition is "to listen with a hearing aid and find out what people think of me."

When asked what he left to PHS Jimmie smiled fiendishly and said, "This is for boys especially; I leave Carroll!"

## MARLENE PLAGENS

Marlene, sometimes known as "Mar" plans to loaf this summer. Her favorite expression is "huh?"

She was very attracted to Mr. Nations room while in PHS and to the juniors she leaves all the fun she had trying to chew gum in Mr. Nations room.

## BILL SNIDER

Just plain Bill is as good a name as anyone could have, and his stand-by expression is "I'll be darn." When asked what he would like to leave PHS, Bill replied, "The school; they can have it."

He wants to marry a rich woman so he can have a lot of money and die rich.

## ROBERT HEDGECOCK

"I want to see the world and be a rancher on the side," said Robert, just "Bob" to everybody who knows him.

As he leaves PHS he suggests one improvement, namely: extend government to full year subject. Can this be because it was his favorite thing about high school?

## DELORES BARBER

"Delo" Barber says, "I wish I knew," about her ambition.

Delores, who says "Oh, kid at the drop of a hat, wants to go to harvest this summer to see Paul.

"Delo" leaves the fun at Fowler's to the kids next year, but according to her the best part was walking back to school with Paul at noon.

## CLARENCE KRUSEMARK

Clarence is known around the halls of PHS as "Krusie," or by his favorite expression, "Well I'll be darned." To his underclassmen, Clarence leaves the long table on the east side at the back of the library. His plans for the future are not certain, but he will probably work toward his ambition—to get a good job.

## THEO NAIRN

He is usually called by his name, "Theo," and he said he doesn't really have any nicknames. "Oh heck!" seems to be his favorite expression. "This summer I am going to work at Sheward's, and I hope to attend KSTC next fall," stated Theo. He has the ambition of many which is to be a millionaire.

## JERRY DAVIDSON

Jerry has a nickname, Jerry. He looks at it this way. If a nickname is what someone calls you and people call him Jerry, then Jerry is Jerry's nickname. He, a cheerleader for three years, leaves his troubles and debts to up and coming students. Jerry liked getting out of school best of all; which, by the way, has been his ambition.



# Seniors Look Forward To 3:46 Closing Time Each Afternoon

## LAURETTA LEE

"Raising and training horses and dogs" declared Lauretta Lee, "is my ambition." Called "Wa" by her nephew, Lauretta has been tagged such ever since. This summer will find Lauretta working at the telephone office. "Mr. Nation's sociology class" was the emphatic answer when asked what she left to PHS.

## ROBERT MOYER

Bob Moyer has set his sights high when seeking an ambition, for he hopes to make enough to buy a great big automobile and hire a chauffeur. Next summer Bob hopes to get a job in a printing shop in Omaha. If that doesn't work out, he plans to join forces with Uncle Sam. To next year's seniors, he leaves the little, broken down, machine.

## NORMA SHIELDS

"Sparkie" or "Dean" are nick labels attached to Norma Shields. Her favorite expression is "good grip." Upon leaving school, she hopes that someone will enjoy one broken down locker up on second floor as much as she did. A recreation camp will take up most of her time this summer and she hopes to return to college in the fall.

## EMMANUEL AIKENS

If someone should hear the exclamation, "Straight, Jack, Straight!" it could probably be traced back to Emmanuel Aikens who avows that this is his favorite means of expressing himself. Although no reflection is meant on the boy, his friends call him "Ache." To the grads of '49 Emmanuel leaves "All my leisure hours." Incidentally these hours according to him are few and far between. His ambition is to own a string of chain drug stores.

## DOROTHY HODGE

"How can you say that?" is likely to be heard wherever "Hodgie" is found. And this summer you'll find her in Kingsville, Texas, the state that's a disease. Next year she plans to attend Missouri University.

She hopes to continue her newspaper work, and she wants to leave behind all the characters in PHS.

## ROBERTA HAGERT

The sound of "Golly Moses," floating around tell that "Bobbie" Hagert is in the vicinity. This lively senior's ambition is to go out and get a man, although there is already one with an inside track on her affections.

To the lower classmen "Bobbie" leaves the initials on the desks in Cromer's room. This summer she is going to SWIM and SWIM, and next fall she plans on junior college.

## SHIRLEY MONROE

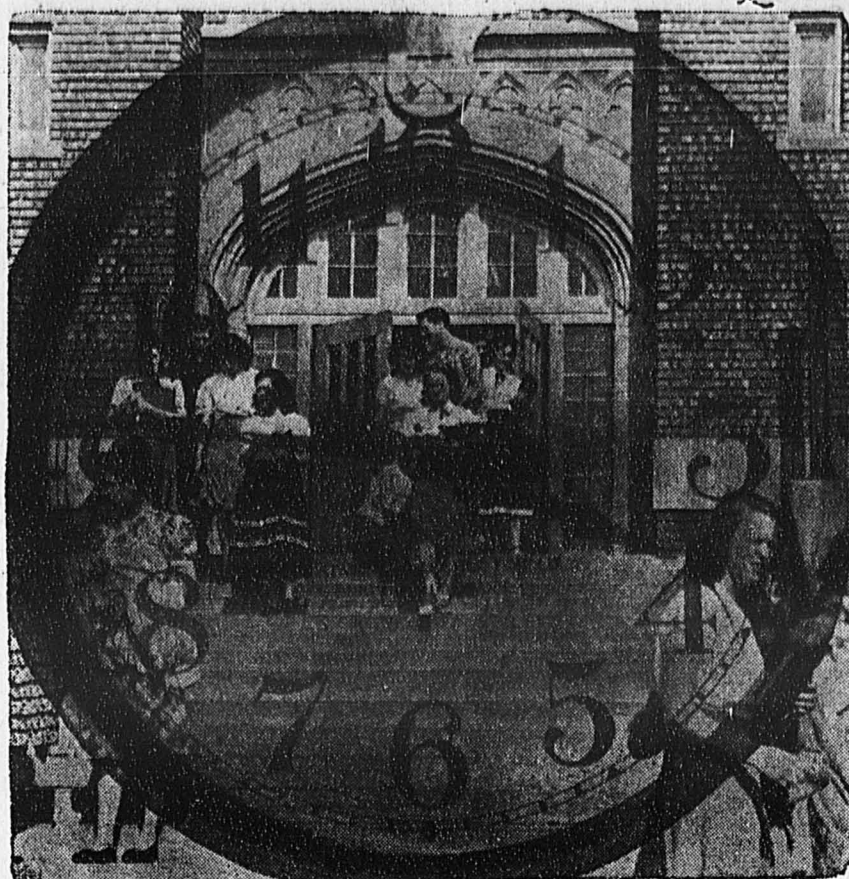
"Heavens, I haven't the faintest idea of what I'm going to do to do this summer," she exclaimed. Shirley's pet ambition is to travel and be a woman of the world. To PHS she leaves, "The ether smell in the physics room." Her favorite expression seems to be, "I have a question, Mr. Nation."

## TONY PISTOTNIK

I'm going to spend my time prying people's mouths open," he laughed fiendishly. Tony wants to be a dentist. This handsome senior leaves "all the beautiful women behind." He remarked in disgust that he guessed he would spend his summer in school. When his friends were asked his favorite expression they all groaned "My gosh!"

## KITTIE FLEMING

Kittie Fleming must have enjoyed PHS for she leaves all of it to the Junior Class. Miss Gable was what she liked best about her alma mater, however. Her favorite expression is "Is that right!" Next year will find Kittie working in the Woodard Laboratories in California. Her ambition is to become a pharmacist.



Students pour out of the front portal of their alma mater.

## PHYLLIS SILL

Phyllis' nickname is "Snookums." When asked what she liked best about PHS Phil replied, "Shall we not go into that." Could it be that it was that hard to think of something. To the musically inclined juniors she leaves her soprano seat in Chorus. Next year will find Phyllis married to a certain fellow from Weir.

## MELVIN SPRAGG

Best about PHS "Mel" liked the teachers. To all the hallroomers Mel leaves the pretty pictures in the halls. He has many expressions that he likes but no particular one is his favorite. After graduation he plans to be working in Los Angeles, Calif.

## BILL RADFORD

"Hiya George" may be heard when around Bill for it happens to be his favorite saying. He found that the vacations satisfied him better than anything else about PHS. To the junior boys Bill leaves all the good looking girls. His ambition is to strike gold in Alaska.

## DONNA STUDYVIN

Donna's nickname is D.J. and her favorite expression is "Smell that!" Better than anything else about PHS Donna liked the kids. To the juniors she leaves Mr. Nation's sociology class. Next year she will be housekeeping. When asked what her ambition was she replied, "Ask David."

## ARTHUR HALLIDAY

Arthur has an unusual nickname—it's Art. No one seems to know where he got it. His ambition of all things is to live a normal life. To the Sophs, Juniors and Seniors of next year, he leaves everything in school. He likes the people best about high school. This summer he thinks he might work in the harvest fields.

## GEORGE HUDSON

"Buddy," as he is known to most everybody, much to the surprise of several teachers, has a different favorite expression. He likes to use "Great Balls of Pie Crust." His hobby is playing baseball. This small but mighty senior hopes to become an auto-mechanic. Right along this line he likes the auto-mechanics class best of all. To the boys in the machine-shop next year, Buddy leaves all of the broken-down screw-drivers.

## THURMAN PIERCE

This senior with the glittering personality is called "Jay" by his intimates and has two ambitions, namely: to get out of high school and to own a night club—and in that order.

"Jay," whose plan for the summer is to play ball for Pittsburg, thought gravely for a second about what to leave to next year's seniors. Then with a gleam in his eyes he decided to leave to those poor, unsuspecting people "Rohde's Buzz House," what ever that is.

## DONNA KEMPSTER

"Kempster" is the affectionate title for Donna Kempster who liked her sophomore year best in PHS.

Donna's ambition is to visit the Alamo and all other points of interest in San Antonio. To the underclasswomen she leaves the up-to-date foods room. She plans to attend K.U. this fall.

## LOIS HALL

To be successful in the field of art is the ambition of Lois Hall, "Loonie" to her near and dear.

"Loonie" liked football best about PHS and to the juniors and sophomores she leaves the job of posing in art class.

## LILLIAN ROSALIE PRIDEAUX

"Lil" wants to get "hitched" for her ambition and also for what she is going to do this summer. Next year? well, that remains to be seen. This peppy cheerleader liked the pep assemblies, football, and basketball games. She leaves to all future cheerleaders the fun, friendship, and sore thoughts she has had.

"Oh, my cow!" and Lillian are practically inseparable nowadays. Of course, in the future she will choose an expression more suitable to an "old" married woman.

## DARLENE JACKSON

To PHS grads of '49 Darlene Jackson, commonly called "Dot," leaves "Miss Messenger, a very nice gym teacher." Her ambition is to become a nurse and she hopes to go into nurses training next winter. Favorite among her many expressions is "Lord, today!" This summer she plans to work at home.

## ANN WOODS

Ann claims that she has no ambition, but any girl having as many jobs as she has must be ambitious. She attends college in the morning, high school in the afternoon, and works as a telephone operator at night.

Ann leaves the gum under the chairs to coming pupils while she continues her telephone occupation.

## JO ANNA SINGLETON

First of all this active senior leaves, "all my chewing gum, under the chair arms, to the future students of PHS." As Bill can well vouch, Jo is continually getting the wrong idea and comes up with, "What did you say?" Her chief ambition at present is to pass college entrance exams. "I'm spending the summer in Chicago—I hope" she added.

## DON CLUGSTON

To next year's students this curly-headed Senior leaves his fine seat in the library. He likes getting out on Friday best about school. When asked what his ambition is, he said, "None What So Ever." When asked if photography is his hobby, he replied with his favorite expression, "True indeed." This summer he plans to SLEEP.

## JO ANN CONRAD

"Bubbles" announces her arrival by saying "Honest to goodness." She's leaving the books in the library to future PHSers.

Jo Ann especially liked the friendliness of both students and teachers in PHS.

"My ambition is to be happy always," smiled Jo Ann. This summer she'll work and next year go to college.

## BILLIE LOU BEARD

Better known as "Babe", this senior plans to go to college for awhile and then settle down with the intentions of rearing a family. The little lady hopes to travel this summer. The grand times she had in school have a permanent place in her heart, along with her favorite teachers. Her favorite saying is "Carl." Aand everyone knows that "as Billie goes so goes Carl."

## COLLEEN LOU WITT

"Corky" wants to become a housewife. (she and 10,000,000,000 other girls). Just messing around this summer will keep this gal occupied. But her "Life of Riley" will end next year when she starts to work. Being the homey type, Colleen liked Miss Gable's sewing class best about PHS. To next year seniors she leaves her chair in Mr. Nation's room.

## JOAN BUCKLEY

Here's a gal with ambition! "Jo" plans to work this summer and next year, also. Maybe this will help her to achieve her goal of making good in the business world.

"Well, golly," seems to be Joan's password. She says she liked her junior year best about PHS. It couldn't be because a certain ex-sailor was here then, or could it?

## MARY LOUISE CANNY

Mary, otherwise known as "peaches," leaves to the high school, "Mr. Tewell's dramatics class." Next year she intends to go to college, but this summer she explained enthusiastically, "I'm going to Washington and just SWIM. Golly!"

## EVELYN MANITZ

"Ev" intends to leave to PHS, "All the fun I've had," but then she quickly added her inevitable, "Just kiddin' of course."

This lucky gal is going to spend her summer in Wisconsin and Chicago and next year hopes either, "to go to college or work in Kansas City."

## EUGENIA ALLEN

"Are you trying to be funny?" one hears "Dennie" say questionly. Eugenia says her ambition is to live in Scotland on her inheritance and write books.

"I leave all the good times I've had in high school and the squeaky chairs in the auditorium," Eugenia stated laughingly.

## BOB MOORE

"Robert" plans "to get a job this summer and make some money." This mischievous senior wants to become an architect in the years to come. As a parting word Robert says, "I leave my old locker to the Juniors and hope they make good use of it."

## EARL PAUL

This happy-go-lucky senior boy plans to work on the U. P. railroad this summer in Colorado. "George" as he is known to his friends, is ready and willing to leave the school for further adventures in different fields. This senior's ambition is "to be successful in everything I do." He leaves "Mr. Huffman and his Biology classes to next years students."

## CHESTER PRYOR

"Tex" plans to make some money this summer by working for his dad. This tall senior's ambition is to be a mechanic in some large concern. In keeping with his ambition "Tex" leaves the machine shop to the juniors.

## MARVIN GILBREATH

Marvin's ambition is one that few people have. He wants to become a hobo and see the world. He may get to see part of the latter for this summer he plans to work in a National Park in Colorado. His hobby is watching people. That is watching their actions and antics. To next year's unsuspecting Journalism students, he leaves Mr. Cromer.

## CARL GRAHAM

To next years students, Carl leaves Mr. Morey. Right along with this his favorite class is library. Carl's hobbies are hunting and fishing. His ambition is to become a farmer and a rancher, however Billie Lou Beard might have something to say about this. His favorite expression is "What do you say?"

## DONNA ROSS

"Doe" is going to be busy this summer-what with going to church conferences and planning for college in the fall.

"Oh joy! Am I glad to get out of the drudgery of making chalk mats for the Peat Coal cartoon," she said using her favorite expression.

She liked the "dumb" journalism class best about PHS.

It's a good thing she didn't say "journalists."

## DON ORENDER

"Hi-ya gang" announces the arrival of Don Orender. Actually his name is Donald but of course no one calls him that. Ambition? To travel around and see things and later in life to settle down.

Tentative plans for the good ole' summer time include a trip to California. Next year's classes have a lot left to them in Don's legacy. To them he leaves "a lot of fine times and a "bunch" of ever loving teachers."

## HAROLD MEAD

To next year's science students, Harold leaves Mr. Cline. He likes the Gym classes best about school "Because they're the easiest." His ambition is to become an airplane pilot. Right down this alley his hobby is working with model airplanes. This summer Harold plans to work at Brinkman gardens.

## WILMA MARQUARDT

"He reminds me of a jar head," should always remind one of Wilma or one of her good friends Phyllis Sill. This happens to be the favorite expression of both of them. Wilma's nickname is Miss America. To be a nurse is Wilma's ambition; she hopes to start her training next year.

## HELEN PETERSON

This blond senior, otherwise known as "Pete," can be heard from one room to another wailing, "But Charlie's waiting for me out front." Her ambition, she slyly added "supposedly," is to be a secretary. Helen will be attending college this summer, and her last will leaves, "The alto section of the Double Trio" to the fate of Pittsburg High.

## SAM BROWN

Sam plans to work in a grocery store this summer. His ambition is along this line as he wants to own a grocery store. Sam's hobby is hunting and fishing. His favorite class is government in which he probably has had occasion to use his favorite expression "Don't Know!" To next year's students this likeable senior leaves the Gym classes.

## WILLIAM NELSON

To everyone around high school, "William" is just plain "Bill." In the future Bill hopes to own "Nelson's Home for Wayward Girls," but for this summer he will have to be contented with, "going to California to dig for gold."

He added confidentially, "I want to leave to certain juniors, the torture chair in Mr. Greens office. Take care of it, boys!"



## My Ideal Boyfriend Boulware Writes Winning Essay

This is the winning essay in the recent contest sponsored by the Booster. It was written by Martha Ann Boulware on the assigned topic.

### MY IDEAL BOYFRIEND

An ideal boyfriend of mine is going to have a lot to live up to, but if he can do it, he will be a wonderful guy.

Most important of all, my "ideal" will be a good, clean boy. He will have a set of morals that he will live by, and he will not let down on them for any reason. He'll have a lot of personality, and because of it, people will like him. He'll have a great deal of ambition for the things he wants in life, and he will want to get an education so he can get ahead. Whatever work he goes into, he will enter it with the desire to be a success. His work will make him one.

This "ideal" of mine doesn't have to be an absolute brainchild, but he does have to have some brains. At least enough to be able to think intelligently, and get average grades, or above average.

He'll be conscientious guy, also. By the way he acts in groups and when he is alone, people will admire him. At a meeting he will have the decency to pay attention to what is being said, whether it is about religion, music, or what. He will be a gentleman, too. He'll know the acts of etiquette that will make him popular with the boys, as well as the girls. My "ideal" will want to help the "other fellow" along, and when he sees someone in need, or alone, he will try to help him.

My "ideal" and I will have some things in common. We'll like the same things, and will like doing them together. Of course, we won't like all the same things, but our interests will be enough alike so we may be able to go to the same places and have a good time. We won't agree on everything we do or say either, but then what fun would it be if he were just like me?

No, I can't say I've met him yet, but you never can tell what will happen when it's spring.

Martha Ann Boulware

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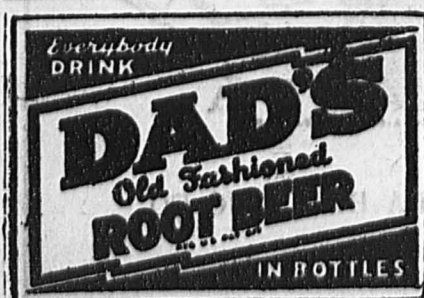
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## Teachers Vacation Plans List College, Work, Travel, Visiting

Teachers, like students, have summer vacations, but most of them will continue to attend school.

Mrs. Swafford plans to attend the local college. Miss White had planned to go to college this summer, but housing accommodations could not be made near her selected school. Mr. Tewell is debating on whether to go to summer school or visit in the Ozarks.

### Plan To Work

Planning to work this summer is Mr. White and Mr. Morey. John White has in mind some type of printing job. Jim Morey will work in an ice plant until time to attend the baseball tournament in Wichita.

"If I survive the senior play, I'll divide my time between here, home, and visiting my sisters," came Miss Laney's reply.

### Plan To Travel

Family minded teachers are Mrs. Lewis and Mr. Cromer. Mrs. Lewis plans to take her daughters traveling while Mr. Cromer plans to stay home with his and do some writing.

Mr. Johnson is already scheduling musicians who plan to take music lessons from him this summer.

Those instructors not mentioned were either undecided or unable to be contacted before the deadline.

## Typists Earn Trophy In 1930

In the annual sectional typing contest which was held in Pittsburg High School April 26, 1930, Pittsburg took first with a total of 28 points, winning the trophy which has been selected as Trophy of the Week. Columbus received

second with 18 points. Girard with 13 points was given third place. Arma the fourth entry only scored 1 point.

The contests had been held in Pittsburg high for several years before this time. Papers from the various contests held throughout the state were assembled and a State championship, was announced. Pittsburg did not win the state championship, however. In the speed contest for amateurs, Francis Riodan writing 64.8 words per minute placed first; and Dorothy Bowers, fourth, in the Riodan third.

In the speed contest for novices first year typists, Mary Elizabeth Guffey placed first with 65.5 words per minute, and Genevieve Russell, second.

Mary Elizabeth Guffey placed second in the accuracy contest for novices and Genevieve Russell, fifth.

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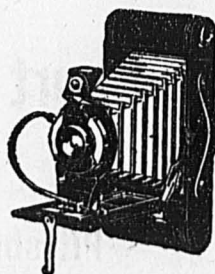
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## Girls Earn Life Saving Awards

Achievements during the year have been made in Physical Education as well as in the academic courses. Passing the Life Saving test was the aim of some of the advanced swimmers.

After many hours work in the water and a written test, twelve proud girls came through with a Life Saving Badge. Some of these girls are going to put this to very good use this summer by teaching swimming lessons at one of the pools.

Diane Walker, Pat Lewis, Kay Newman, Judy Veatch, Cheri Montgomery, Pat Glennon, Ruth Sutterfield, Virginia Adams, Carole Wilson, Joan Greef, Mary Carol White, and Marwilda Ford are the girls who now have the title of life savers.

Mary Lynn Hunnington and Helen Peterson have earned 1000 points in G.A.A. attendance for three years. For their work each will receive a trophy.

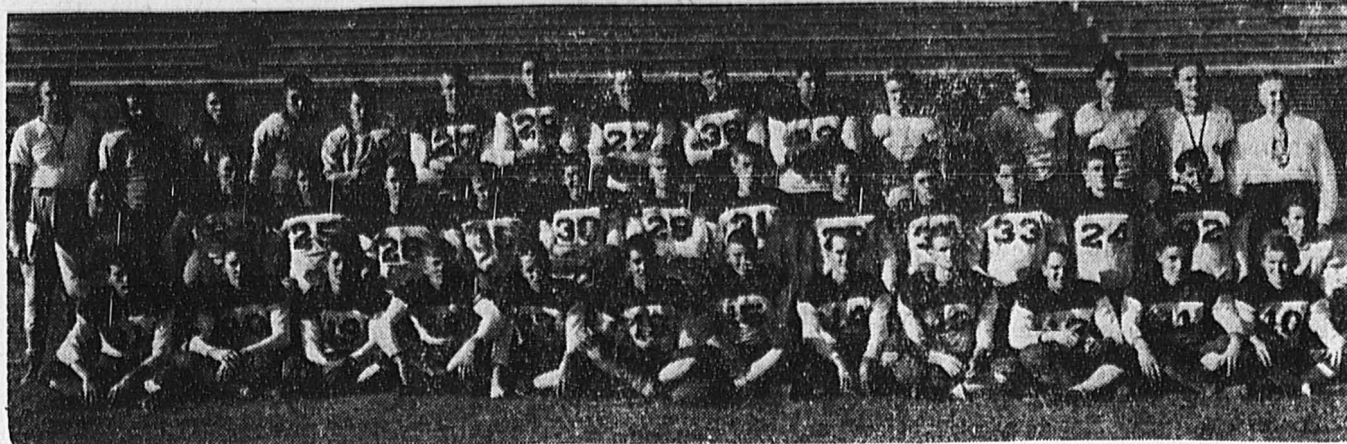
Carole Wilson took the honors in girls track by having a total of 607 points which included all track work done in class.

The volleyball tournament which was played the first semester was won by the fifth hour girls. The third hour gym class received the plaque for winning the basketball tournament. To climax the year was the junior girls meeting the senior girls in the annual intraclass softball game.

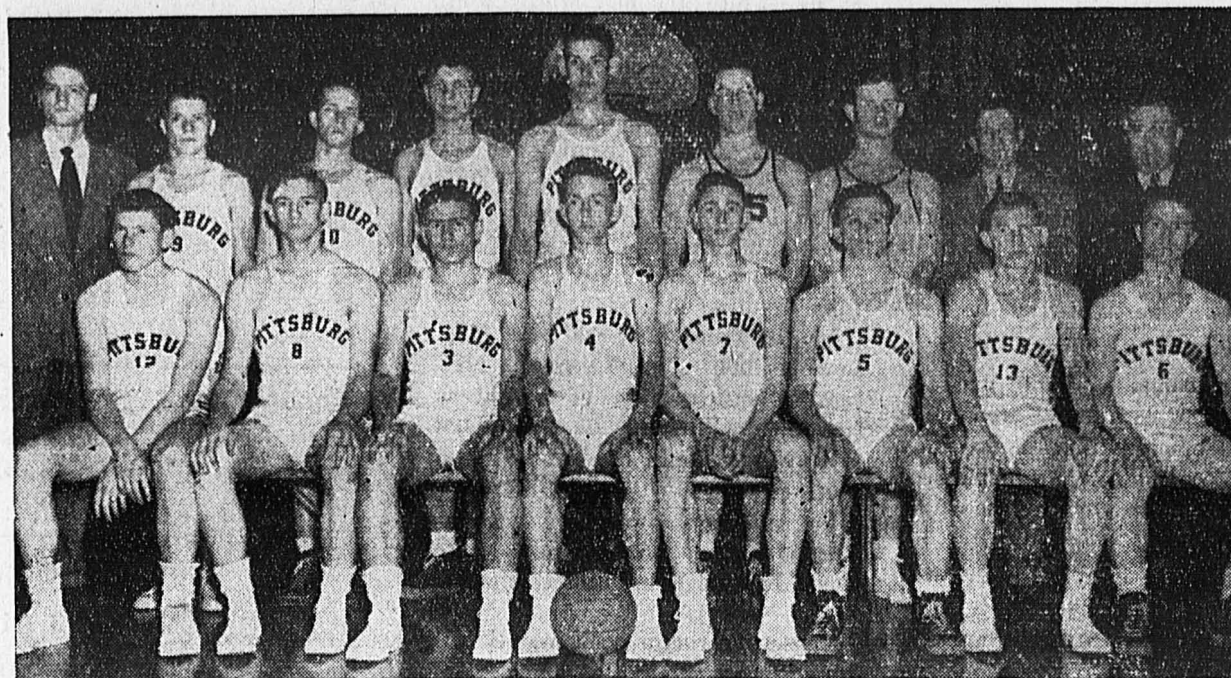
### Swimmers Should Pick-Up Suits From Messenger

"All girls who took gym either first or second semester should check to see if they have their suits," stated Miss Messenger, phy. ed. instructor. If there is any girl who cannot find her suit she should go to the gym not later than tomorrow to see if it is there.

## Dragons Sports Year Ends; Teams Have Successful Seasons



Pictured Is The Football Team Which Won Second in S.E.K.



Purple Cagers Win S.E.K. Crown, Regional Tournament



Dragon Track Squad Rests Between Practice Sessions

## Exhaust Valve

The year 1947-1948 is ready to come to an end, but some of the population of the town and all of the seniors will never forget what a wonderful year the Dragons had.

The Purple Gridsters started slow and then finished with a bang to place second in the SEK behind Iola. It was said that Rohde's Ramblers would probably have beaten Iola if they could meet again.

Then came the winter months and thoughts changed from football to basketball. What a year the Dragons had in basketball! They won all of their SEK league games to place first in the final league standings. Added to this the Purple Cagers defeat their arch rivals Columbus, twice, once at Columbus and once at home.

Next the Dragons added to their list of victories by winning the Regional Tournament held here at Pittsburg. This entitled the Millermen to enter the state tournament held at Topeka. They rallied in the last few minutes of the game to win a thriller from Ark City by a score of 39-37. Next they encountered the Newton Railroaders and came out on the short end of a 49-29 count. This was the last game of high school basketball the six varsity seniors members played but it was a game they probably never will forget. During the last half of the game when they were way behind, the boys loosened up and really gave the Railroaders some scares.

Next came track and the PHS thinclads donned their spikes and won the quadrangular meet at the first of the season. They then placed sixth at the KU Relays and third at the Coffeyville Relays. Then Coach Winchester's squad traveled to the Joplin Relays and placed third again. Not finishing with thirds yet the team went to the SEK meet at Coffeyville and placed third in this meet also. All together this has really been one swell year for sports and we hope next year's teams have another good year.

This is the last column I will turn out and I wish to thank all people I have asked for help and guidance while writing it. It has been fun bringing in some of the little sidelights of all the trips and games and now the time has come to quit. To next year's Purple Dragon's I wish all the luck in the world and hope they have a championship team in all sports.

### Teams Split Games

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Senior Boys—7, Junior Boys—13

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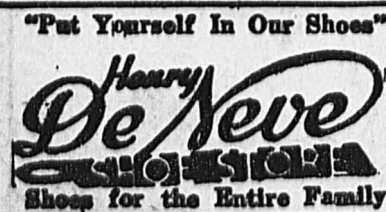
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