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To Direct Student Activities



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS—left to right Jim Valentine, Vice-president; Jean Freeto, Secretary-Treasurer; and Charles Bell, President

Lemon To Head 1950 Booster

Letty Lemon has been chosen editor-reporter for the 1950 Booster. The business staff is composed of Janis Burnidge, managing editor, and Marilyn Kazmierski and Janet Opie who are acting as advertising solicitors.

The sports department will be handled by Bob Bell, sports editor and his sports reporter, David Burr. Society events will be covered by Jean Lundquist, society editor. Norma Simons, as columnist, Betty Snider as make-up editor and art editor, and Margaret Feagens who will act as librarian-circulation editor round out this year's staff.

Applications for the various positions were submitted to Miss Marsh, journalism sponsor, who made the final selection.

Band Steps Out Tonight

The Pittsburg band will shine in full uniform tonight at the Pittsburg-Miami game on Hutchinson Field. Pat Thomas will be at the helm of the band this year, followed by Carol Hawley, Carolyn Buckley, Jody Neher, Janis Burnidge, and the two new twirlers, Nancy Simone, and Carol Pipkin.

The band will present a "Gay Nineties Revue," a pageant of yesterday. Approximately 56 members will participate in the gala event.

New-comers Enthusiastic Over PHS Friendliness

"Look at the campus!" "What a wonderful school!" "The friendliest students!" "Such election enthusiasm!" and other flattering statements came when the newest arrivals to P. H. S. were interviewed by your Booster reporter.

This year the new comers consist of an odd mixture of Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. More exactly, there are six sophomores, three juniors, and two seniors, to make a grand total of eleven new PHS'ers.

The new "sophies" generally distinguished themselves by appearing slightly more bewildered than the rest. A member of their rank, Barbara Johnson, recently of Ellensburg, Washington, was surprised at the speed with which assignments were handed out. "Where I went to school," she stated, "the teachers spent the first two weeks trying to quiet the pupils."

Besides Barbara, there are five other sophomores. They are Earl Cullison, Rolla, Kansas; James Harper, Chanute, Kansas; Dorothy Rossel, Independence, Kansas; Donald Thiesing, Moran, Kan-

Lookin' Around

Set Picture Deadline

Purple and White picture deadline, October 15, will be here soon. Those who have not made appointments to have pictures taken should do so at once. This time can not be extended.

Plan Homecoming

Students and alumni are looking forward to Homecoming on October 6. Dragons on that night meet the strong Springfield team in what promises to be a real grid-iron battle.

The Homecoming Dance in Roosevelt Gym will follow the game.

Arrangements for the celebration are being made by the Student Council under the direction of Miss Madge Waltz.

Science Meeting Monday

The Junior Academy of Science will hold its first meeting of the year next Monday morning, September 25 at 8:00 in Mr. Huffman's room, number 315. Anyone who is interested may attend this meeting. This year's president is Winston Deacon.

Hold First Pep Meeting

The first pep meeting of the year held this morning at the regular assembly hour gave the football team a splendid send off for the game tonight with Miami.

Coach Rhode introduced the squad. The cheerleaders put everyone in the spirit to win this first game.

Senior High Shows Enrollment Gain

451 students answered roll at Senior High School the first day marking an event which occurred only once before in 12 years—an increase in enrollment.

The enrollment of PHS had dropped steadily since 1936. In that year there was an enrollment of 382 students. 1949 saw the first increase.

Of the 451 students this year the sophomores have 176 members but the big jump has been in the junior class which this year has 157 students against last year's 120. The senior class is composed of 119 students which is a decided drop from last year's 131.

Seniors Display Class Rings

Forty seven senior girls and 24 senior boys are, as of yesterday, proud possessors of handsome gold class rings, bearing as a crest the towers of PHS.

"Since the rings were ordered this year through a representative of the L. G. Balfour Company and not through a local jewelry store as has been done in previous years, the cost was greatly reduced," John England, High School Principal, explained.

Orders for the rings were placed at the close of last year, and those students wanting to purchase made a \$3 down-payment at that time with the understanding that the balance would be paid upon receiving the rings.

"Students who did not order their rings last year still may do so this year," Principal England concluded.

Bell Becomes Student Council Prexy In All School Election

Running roughshod over his opponent, Charles Bell won a 2 to 1 victory over Charles Peterman for the coveted honor of Student Council president.

Besides being active in all sports, Charles is president of a Hi-Y chapter and was president of the junior class last year. He also represented P.H.S. last year at Boy's State.

Jim Valentine beat Letty Lemon in a much contested race for vice-president of the Student Council and Jeanne Freeto was victorious over Emalou Greer 234 to 193 in the battle for secretary-treasurer.

The senior class election was highlighted by a tie-vote 59 to 59 between Ted Montgomery and Winston Deacon in the race for senior president. In one drawing to decide the contest Montgomery won.

Jim McDaniels Elected

Jim McDaniels beat Kay Sharon Bowyer 68 to 49 for the senior class vice presidency. Marilyn Kazmierski was elected secretary over Betty Snider by a margin of 80 to 38 and Dorothy Case beat Janis Burnidge in the heart-stopping race for treasurer, 60 to 59.

The offices of girl and boy cheerleader were unopposed and won by Gertrude Naccarto and Robert Schmidt, respectively.

Don Johnston ranked high over his opponent Jim Troxel the contest for junior presidency. Approximately two-thirds of the class cast their votes for David Rose to be vice-president against Sandra Bitner while Georgia Arthur beat Pat Eakin 91 to 57 in the race for secretary.

Choose Sally Allyn

The new treasurer, Sally Allyn, was elected over Janis Glick 79 to 68 and Paul Francis beat Frank Smith for boy cheerleader. Bobbie Chancy was elected girl cheerleader by beating Ann Bailey 95 to 51.

The Sophomores elected Bill Coughenour president over his opponent Donald Bill.

Reva Deems was chosen vice president, beating Marlene Million 99 to 63 and Janet Decker defeated Carolyn McCluskey 127 to 35. Barbara Gudgen nosed out Gloria Schultz in a close race for treasurer 82 to 80.

For boy cheerleader Robert White beat Bruce Burton 130 to 31 and Irene Moore was elected girl cheerleader over Suzanne Toustant 97 to 65.

At the close of the election P. H. S. voted as did all senior boys. All junior boys except one voted and all sophomores boys but thirteen.

Mr. John L. England, principal, stated, "I was very pleased with the election, and I have never seen such enthusiasm and clean fun as were displayed this year. Both the winning and losing candidates conducted themselves in a most sportsman-like manner. School elections are as fine a preparation for citizenship as I know."

PARADE

WHEN TONIGHT
TIME 7:00 O'CLOCK
WHERE WEST OF
BROADWAY ON THIRD ST.
WHO EVERY LOYAL
DRAGON

The Miami band and rooters will be here in force to parade with PHS to the football field.

DON'T MISS THE PARADE

H-Y, Y-Teen Mixer Honors Sophomores

A record crowd was on hand for the annual Hi-Y, Y-Teen mixer which was held last Monday, Sept. 11, on Hutchinson Field.

The mixer is a party which is held each year for the incoming sophomores to get them acquainted with each other, and the members of the other classes and to have lots of fun.

Although the mixer was begun on the football field, an unexpected rain in the latter part of the evening upset these plans and everyone sought refuge in the little gym where games furnished entertainment. Refreshments were served.

Dr. Caldwell To Photo Club Meeting

Dr. Caldwell, photography professor at K. S. T. C., will be the guest speaker at the first meeting of the photography club, which will be the first of the general meeting which are usually held once every four weeks. The three remaining weeks of the month are for special groups to work in the darkroom.

This year's officers are Winston Deacon, president; Kiddy Howards, vice-president; Bobbie Ann Chancy, secretary; and William Williamson, treasurer. Mr. Cline is the club sponsor. The membership this year is 15.

Students Rush To Cafeteria For Tasty Lunch



An Election, Dear Visitor

No, poor puzzled PHS Visitor, that wasn't wall paper on the front hall—just campaign posters, but then it's easy to see how you got mixed up.

And they were pretty clever weren't they? Now the election has come and gone, some candidates won and more of them lost—that's the way it goes. But the sum total of the whole battle added up to spirited and original bids for office by PHSers in every class and for every office.

Slogans like "Be Wise, Johnstonize," "Ring the Bell with Bell," "If You Don't Care About A Face, Vote for Case," ranged from the sublime to the ridiculous and yet every one was crammed full of pure vote-appeal. If a few candidates had to be corney to get votes—then they were corney and they got their votes.

And the sucker and gum wrappers that cluttered the place, remnants from slogans like "Don't be a sucker, vote for Deacon" and "Stop Beatin' Your Gums—Vote for C. A."

It's hard to explain to you, poor puzzled PHS Visitor, just why everyone campaigned so hard. Could be the "strong" trying to be leaders of the pack, could be political contagion brought on by the fair deal or it could be just a bunch of normal kids proving to themselves the merit of the "American Way."

Whatever the reason, everyone agrees that this year's campaign was the best ever, and certainly the most fun!

The hustle and bustle of feverish campaigning has cleared away and the winning candidates have been selected to assume the responsibilities of the various offices.

Now that the officers have been selected, it is every student's job to back these leaders even though you were "for the other guy."

Remember that only with outstanding leaders can we have a truly successful year, and only with every student's cooperation can we have outstanding leaders.

That makes you, the PHS student, the common demonstrator. So back your officers—they're worthy of your support.

Observe Francis Willard Day

How many girls in this day and age would go into a saloon to pray against alcoholism as Francis Willard did? Not many. And not many did in her day either!

Pittsburg High School joins with all the other schools of Kansas on September 28 to honor Francis Willard and her work.

Frank, as her family called her, was an outdoors type of girl. She was not very religious until she fell ill with typhoid fever. In the crisis she pledged she would be a good Christian girl if she got well. She did get well and was destined to be an outstanding leader.

After graduating from Northwestern Female College in Evanston, Illinois, she taught in several different schools and later became President of Evanston College for Ladies.

Returning from a trip from Europe in 1870 she was asked to tell of her experiences abroad. This speech, which she delivered from a pulpit of a large church, was her first paid lecture.

Joining the temperance crusade in 1874, she soon became president of the organization and from there became president of the World's Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The W. C. T. U. lost a great leader when Francis Willard died of influenza in 1898.

During her life as temperance leader she gave speeches in every state and territory of the United States.

A statue of Miss Willard stands at the capitol of the state of Washington. She is the only woman to receive this honor.

Now, we set aside September 28 to honor Francis Willard's work and to further the cause against alcoholism.

THINGS DAD NEVER SAID

1. Take the car, son. I'll walk to work.
2. Don't let your studies interfere with your social activities.
3. That's a good grade card. Much better than I used to get.
4. Don't bother to mow the lawn. Just go down town and have a good time.
5. Have a cigaret, it's good for your nerves.
6. You've been so saving with your money, son. It has kept expenses down.

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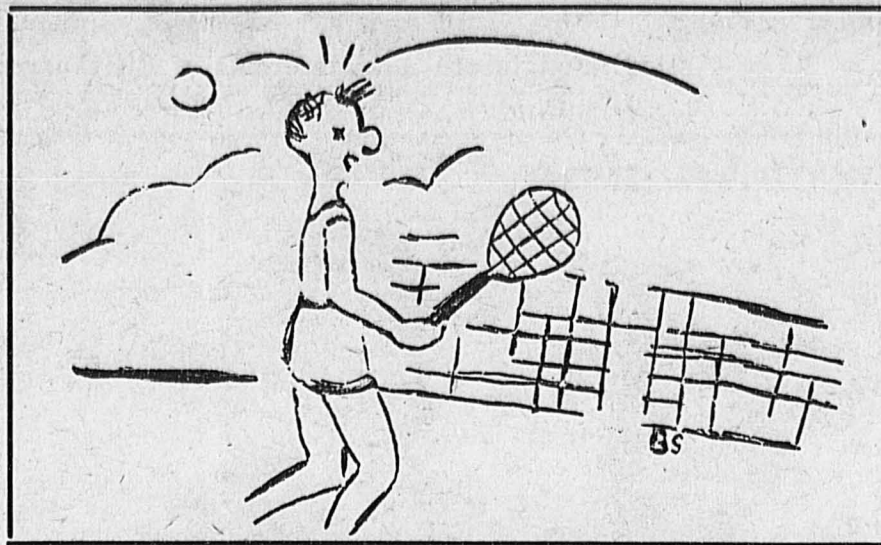
UNDECLARED WARS

Military aggression between countries often leads to a state of formal war. Sometimes, however, this declaration of their intentions is never issued. On more than one hundred occasions in the history of the United States American forces have been used to protect shipping, American territory, industries in foreign countries, and lately to stop communist aggression in Korea, without a formal declaration of war ever being made.

There have been good reasons for military actions without formal declaration of war. In fighting France at sea to protect our ships in 1789, we avoided the risk of invasion. Action against Tripoli and Mexico were minor, not requiring formal war. In China, we were protecting U.S. interests as we saw them and were able to do so without war.

In the Korean war we are acting on behalf of the United Nations. The U.N. ordered action against Communist Koreans. So long as the United Nations acts as a world body of which we are a cooperating member, there is no need for us to add a formal declaration of war to these actions.

Everybody Plays Tennis Now!



Marriage, College, and Work Keep 1950 Grads Busy

Accompanied by the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" the '50 graduates left the halls of PHS to go out into the big wide world. Some went on to college, while others embarked upon promising careers, and still others have taken the plunge known as wedlock.

Yes, love has left its mark in the hearts of some of our 1950 Grads. Since marriage is the only cure for that, Jane Ann Lamb is now Mrs. Bob Ottesen. Bob played baseball for the Pittsburg Browns last summer and now that the season is over, he and Jane Ann will go to his hometown, Chicago, to live.

Another grad, Martha Swanson, recently traveled to California where she married Virgil Manley, who transferred from PHS to Redwood, California in his Junior year. And last, so far, was June Mosier who is now Mrs. Hughie Moore. Engaged to be married some time this year are Jerry Williamson and Raymond Ford, Wanda Tosser and Bruce Meyers, and Norma De Ridder and Floyd Russell.

Those who have not yet caught the love bug are interested in getting an education. Kansas State Teachers College seems to be the most popular for Bud Walker, Bunny Lindsay, Dick Tessmer, Jack Glick, Beth Phyllips, Bob Nelson, Eldon Huffman, Don Close Harley Smith, Gene Liebig, Bonita Stuckey, Roger Curran, Bill Hamilton, Glen Hastings, Don Wall Virginia Adams, Jim Benelli, Ron-

ald Damrill, Ronnie Mannoni, Joan McClure, Jeanne Harris, Demarice Coots and Charles Bavuso.

Hughes Spencer, John Strawn, Frank Rodkey, Richard Comstock, Harriet King, Kay Newman, Joan Stewart, and Jay Johnson are attending the University of Kansas in Lawrence. Jack Akerburg is attending the University of Wichita; Bill Cameron, Fort Scott Junior College; Sonny Campbell and Bill Johnson, Iola Junior College and Bettanne Lipasek, is taking Nurses Training at Kansas City.

Out of state are Dick Schmidt at Valparaiso University in Indiana; Bob Bath, Graceland College, Lamona, Iowa; Phil Reid, Marshall, Mo.; Doris DuBois, Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois; Annette Brown and Suzanne Russing, Stevens College for Women, Columbia, Missouri; and Patt Lewis, Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio.

Those who will be working this winter are Jo Ann Uttley as librarian at the public library; Becki Lewis and Marcella Dauchez as telephone operators at the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company; Sally Robins, an artist for the Hallmark Co. in Kansas City, Missouri; and Norma Barbero who is with an insurance firm in Wichita.

Another kind of job will be had by Ed Kelly, who has enlisted in the United States Air Corp. His famous last words were—"I have not yet begun to fight!" Hmmm, sounds familiar!!!

lockers, but otherwise it's swell."

Don Story—"I like it fine."

Bill Sutterfield—"I think there is too much politics."

Gloria Schultz—"Too many stairs for me."

Bill Hogman—"It is too big."

Roving Reporter

Again, your roving reporter has taken pen in hand and started canvassing the halls of P.H.S. to find out student opinions. This issue's question is to the Sophomores—"After two weeks of P.H.S. how do you like it?" A few of the braver Sophies ventured their opinions as follows:

Betty Jo McClannahan—"I love it!"

John Morietta—"It's a little more democratic than Lakeside."

Reva Deems—"It's really a lot of fun."

Jo Balliet—"I get lost too much!"

Colleen Recob—"It's the best high school I've ever seen."

Basil Frank—"Too much work and the girls aren't friendly enough."

Nancy Simone—"I think it's swell."

Janet Decker—"I don't like the

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Campus Chatter

By Norma Simons

Ever since I was a young girl I have wanted to write a school life column for the Booster. . . And if you are reading this it means that Miss Marsh, like Columbus, took a chance.

The school year got off to its usual start, with sophies wearing that "lost" look on their faces as they try to find their way through the endless halls of Pittsburg High, with the speech classes toiling on the reading, "Georga da Wash" for the 15th consecutive season. . . stenography classes reciting in maddening monotone their shorthand lessons, "S-A-V-, save; L-O-V- love; F-I-T-, fight; etc." . . excitement at student elections reaching a new high, the aroma of cooking floating up from the cafeteria to tantalize students sitting in third hour classes listening to professional discussions... the horrible rush in the halls at five of twelve... Miss Fintle traditionally halting those who forget and run down the stairs in their stampede for nourishment... and with seniors taking their select places in the auditorium.

We don't want to hear any more jibes about those big white Pittsburg letters with "D E B A T E" down the middle. The other day we saw uptown a burly fellow with a huge letter "M" on his sweater. He looked like at least an all state football tackle. But looking closer at that letter we spied in small letters "C H O I R."

Everybody is more than anxious for the start of the football season against the Miami Eagles. All of our out of town games this season will be played at league towns that are the farthest away from Pittsburg, Chanute, Iola, Independence and Coffeyville. The average distance to the towns is about 63 miles...that isn't bad. (Who can give this columnist a ride?)

....We're going to be proud of our twirlers this year Pat Thomas, Janis Burnidge, Jody Neher, Carol Hawley, Carolyn Buckley, Nancy Simone and Carol Pipkin. They've been working hard planning routines... for the games.

Fullback Bob Hawley likes everybody and everybody likes him. We hear that last week Bob signed seven petitions for the office of senior vice-president.

KRISPY KRUNCH

Potato Chips and Potato Salad

For Parties and Picnics

MAKE IT A HABIT

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WINDOWS AND INSIDE DISPLAYS

FOR THE

LATEST IN SCHOOL GIRLS

CLOTHES AND ACCESSORIES

Gridsters Open Season With Miami Tonight

Dragons In Fine Shape, Nine Lettermen Return

Seeking their first gridiron victory of the season the Dragon Eleven will clash with the Miami Wardogs tonight on Hutchinson Field at 8:00 P. M.

After showing fine performance in practice sessions the hustling, fast and rugged Dragons are in fine shape for their first gridiron challenge.

Lettermen back from last season who will be doing the Purple Dragon uniform are: Ned Wilson and Jim Peters, ends; Francis Macheers, tackle; Harold Ray, center; Charles Peterman and Ted Montgomery, halfbacks; Jim Webb and Bob Hawley, fullbacks; and Charles Bell, quarterback.

Other boys who had experience on last years B-Team who will see action tonight are: Jim Troxel, John Deems, and Ted Pethtel, guards; Rex McDaniels, center; and Carl Klobassa, quarterback.

Unlike last year there was a fine turnout of boys from all classes. Quite a few of the sophomore boys

out will be playing a lot of football in the future.

Pittsburg		Miami
Wilson	LE	Newman
Macheers	LT	Scoles
Troxel	LG	Mackey
Ray	C	Dyer
Pethtel	RG	Cargile
or Deems		
Hamm	RT	Pendergast
or Slutter		
Peters	RE	Bressie
Bell	QB	Simpson
or Klobassa		
Peterman	LH	Buck
Montgomery	RH	Lawrence
Hawley	FB	Froman
or Webb		

The Boston Braves have three pitchers on their staff who have won twenty or more games this season. They are Warren Spann, Johnny Sain, and Vern Bickford.

Qualify For Senior Life Saving Course

Nineteen girls have qualified for the American Red Cross course in life saving.

The senior life saving class will meet during the 6th hour every Tuesday and Thursday.

To qualify the following girls passed the swimmers tests: Georgia Arthur, Carol Tanner, Pat Thomas, Pat Eakin, Jane Letton, Judy Timmons, Ann Bailey, Letty Lemon, Phyllis Wilson, Winona George, Janet Opie, Gretchen Glick, Jeanne Freeto, Kathleen Rush, Janis Brunidge, Carol Hawley, Mary Strawn, Pat McClannahan, and Pete Mitchell.

The course which will be completed in two months is conducted by Helen Messenger, girls' physical education instructor.

Varsity Sports New Uniforms

When the Dragon squad hustles out on to the field tonight the fans will see them dressed in new uniforms and new helmets.

The uniforms consist of purple jerseys with white numerals and



Jim Webb, Models

white northwestern stripes in the back. The purple helmets are of the cadet type with a white stripe down the center.

Dragons Invade Chanute Friday

Next Friday the Purple Dragons will invade Chanute for their second gridiron game of the season. The Dragons will be plenty rough as they will be out for their first league victory when they tangle with the Comets on their own field.

The Dragons will have a somewhat stronger opponent this year than they did last year when they defeated the Comets 19-13 on Hutchinson Field.

Since this will be the first league game for the Dragon gridsters there should be a crowd of rooters to make the trip to Chanute next Friday to cheer the team to victory.

Hats off to Jim Konstanty, the respected reliever of the "Fighting Phillies". The Phillies can be truly proud of their ace pitcher who has been a big reason for their position in first place in the National League this year.

LET'S BEAT MIAMI TONITE

Tough Schedule Faces Dragons

The Purple Dragon Pigskin Carriers have a tough nine game schedule this year. Of the nine games to be played the Dragons will be host to six of them. The games played with Miami and Springfield are non-league games while the remaining seven are league games.

The 1950 Schedule	
Sept. 22—Miami	Here
Sept. 29—Chanute	There
Oct. 6—Springfield	Here
(Home Coming)	
Oct. 13—Iola	There
Oct. 13—Ft. Scott	Here
Oct. 27—Parsons	Here
Nov. 1—Coffeyville	There
Nov. 10—Independence	There
Nov. 17—Columbus	Here

As the paper goes to press the American League race is in a dead heat between the New York Yankees and the Tigers from Detroit. Baring injuries and if the pitching doesn't falter the Tigers are in my opinion the best contenders.

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