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Chorus to Clinic

The annual SEK chorus clinic was held at Independence Kansas, November 28, 1950. Two Gordon Transit busses provided the transportation for the 80 PHS chorus members who attended the all day clinic.

Each of the many choruses represented sang two numbers. The PHS chorus, under the direction of Mr. Gerald Blanchard, sang "O Bonne Jesu" and "Two Kings" After spending many hours in rehearsal, the combined group of 900 SEK chorus members presented the following program at the evening concert:

"O Dear, What Can The Matter Be?" "Loch Lomond", "Soon I Will Be Done", "A Medley of Christmas Carols," "Break Forth O Beauteous Heavenly Light," "While Shepherds Watched Their Sheep," and Bach's "Hallelujh"

Lookin' Around

VACATION NEARING

Only 15 school days remain until the much looked-for Christmas vacation is upon us again. This year's dividing event will begin on December 22 and will continue until January 3.

NOON RECREATION

Participation in the noon-day recreation up to this point has been only mediocre. Besides dancing, this activity includes ping-pong and various other sports. This activity is sponsored by home rooms and is worthy of student attention and interest.

GIRL'S INTRAMURALS

The past few weeks the girls gym classes have been participating in volleyball intramurals in the little gym. The games have been a huge success as the entire student body can verify.

SENIOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The senior announcements have been chosen for the year 1950-51 by the Senior Class officers and sponsors. A representative from the Balfour Company will be on hand after Christmas vacation to take orders for the announcements.

HI-Y BOYS TO TOPEKA

Ten PHS representatives are attending the Hi-Y model legislature at Topeka, December 1-2. The Pittsburg delegation is headed by Charles Bell, candidate for the office of governor. Others attending are Gene Seifert, Bob Bell, Jack Armstrong, Harold Ray, Francis Macheers, James McDaniel, Eldon Nicholson and Bob Hawley. The group will be accompanied by John L. England principal, and Jesse Sutton, sponsor.

Purple And White Hits First Deadline

Work on the 1951 Purple and White is progressing according to schedule, James McDaniel, editor announced.

Class panels are ready for the publisher, and group pictures which were taken last week will be assembled with print copy and shipped to the Taylor Publishing Company by December 15.

The business staff, making up the patron list, report splendid support from the local merchants.

Students who have not as yet purchased book, must do so by the end of the first semester. No books can be sold after that time. There will be no extra copies in the spring.

The Coal Scuttle Comes Home



PURPLE DRAGONS take possession of the coal skuttle by defeating the Columbus Titans in the annual football classic which was played on Hutchinson Field.

Grad To Appear In KU Musicals

Harriet King, former pupil of Mrs. Lavon Holden and member of the PHS chorus, glee club, and double trio, will be presented soon at the University of Kansas as Madam Dondier in the operetta, "The Pink Lady".

On Dec. 14, Miss King will sing the contralto solos in "The Holy City," at Ottawa, Kansas.

Harriet is studying at the University of Kansas under Reinhold Schmidt, well known vocal teacher, and is a member of Clayton Crable's Glee Club.

While in High School Harriet was a winner of many music contests and auditions, and she is a grad PHS would like to honor.

To Fill Gift Boxes

Red Cross Gift Boxes have been distributed to the various home rooms to be filled with Christmas gifts for children overseas. P.H.S. hopes to fill at least 150, if not more.

The main purpose of this Red Cross drive is to promote fellowship and good will. All boxes will be collected sometime before Christmas to be turned over to the Senior Red Cross, for later distribution overseas.

Students are asked to bring small games, toys, and personal items which will fit into these boxes. Perishables, breakable things, patriotic symbols and religious symbols are not to be included.

With the efforts of all the P.H.S. students the high school should make a fine showing in this worthy cause.

Clear, Calm Thinking Needed For Living In War Time

By Curt Nettels

While the battle between the North Chinese Communists and the United Nations rages, you are likely to hear some alarming rumors about threats of war and war fears.

These gloom peddlers will tell you that war over here is inevitable and that, in all probability, atomic bombs will be used and dropped over here in our country. But all this is just flat statement, unsupported by evidence.

The fact of the matter is that bad news, of course, always makes bigger and blacker headlines than the good.

We're in a tough war, but it's not as black a picture as some people paint.

Here are 5 sound rules to follow in time of war:

1. Get rid of the notion that you

Girl Scouts Spend Night At Cabin

The Senior Girl Scouts had an "overnight" at the girl scout cabin Friday night, November 25. The main project of the evening was the making of joke scrap books for veterans in hospitals.

The girls thoroughly enjoyed a night of pulling taffy, popping corn, drinking pop, roasting apples and marshmallows, and having a regular gossip session.

There were fifteen members and two leaders present. The leaders were Mrs. Curran and Mrs. Skidmore.

Scholarship For Negro Students

Negro students who do superior work in high school have opportunities to attend college with the aid of scholarships granted by the National Scholarship Service Fund for Negro Students.

Many inter-racial colleges want more applications from qualified negroes and go out of their way to cooperate with this scholarship service in trying to place the candidates recommended by the service.

College education costs from a minimum of \$527 to a maximum of \$1675 a year. A scholarship may pay as much as \$850 to the successful applicant.

Negro students in PHS are eligible to apply for this aid. Those interested may get additional information by writing to National Scholarship Service and Fund For Negro Students, 31 West 110 Street, New York 26.

Blanchard Names Vocal Ensembles

Gerald Blanchard, PHS orchestra, band and chorus director has announced the names of the members of the many vocal ensembles which will be entered in the District Music Festival this spring. These musical groups will begin rehearsals soon.

The madrigal will consist of the following 16 singers:

Judy Timmons, Lois Jones, Shirley Ellis, and Letty Lemon—sopranoes. Pat Unger, Ellen Rossel, Gretchen Glick, and Sandy DeNeve—altos. Louis Temple, Jim Elliot, Paul Francis, Bill VanSteinberg—tenors. The basses are Richard Brown, Howard Cunningham, Ernest George Amoneno, and Jack Hardister.

Louis Temple, Jim Elliot, Bill VanSteinberg, and Ernest George Amoneno will be the members of the boy's quartet.

There will be two girl's double trios this year. The sophomore double trio consists of Carolyn McCluskey, Sandy DeNeve, Barbara Gudgen, Vickie Smith, Pat Sawyer, Suzanne Toussaint, and Nancy Simone, accompanist. The other double trio will be selected later.

Rev. Coulter Speaks At High Assembly

PHS's annual Thanksgiving Assembly, which was held November 23 in the auditorium, was presented by the Hi-Y boys.

James McDaniel gave devotions which were followed by a piano solo, "Bless This House," played by Lee Smith. The assembly speaker, Rev. Henry Coulter, was introduced by Charles Bell, president of Mr. Sutton's Hi-Y chapter. Rev. Coulter chose for his topic, "The Meaning of Thanksgiving In Everyday Life." After a short address, Rev. Coulter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, closed the meeting with prayer.

so it isn't as bad as it may seem.

4. Be sure to keep yourself in top physical shape. A healthy person never has any real worries, or if does, he doesn't let them get him.

5. Forge your own personal weapon of faith. Faith is a belief in something above yourself. For some it may mean a better world. The belief that what is good must ultimately prevail is a profound conviction in the minds of many.

To Semi-Finals In Debate Meet

Jane Letton and Letty Lemon brought honor to themselves and to PHS in the annual Topeka High School Debate Tournament November 17 and 18. They formed the only all girl team to win six debates and qualify for the semi-finals. These debaters lost to Wyandotte in the semifinals, but tied with the Hutchinson team in making the highest record. Norma Simons and Nona George, the affirmative half of another team, also came through with no losses in their three debates.

There were sixty-six teams from twenty-two schools representing Kansas, Ohio, Missouri, Nebraska, at this tournament.

The PHS debaters attending the tournament were Jane Letton, Nona George, Don Johnston, Gene Seifert, Sally Allyn, Margaret Feagans, Rose Lucas, Bob Schmidt, C. A. Smith, Jerry Nelson, Suzanne Toussaint, Reva Deems, and Coleen Recob.

The next tournament the debaters will attend will be at Coffeyville December the 8th and 9th.

Twenty-Eight Earn Football Letters

Coach Martin Rhode has awarded letters to 28 members of the Dragon squad. Although some did not receive letters, they do deserve credit for working hard and playing in the school's "B" games.

Sixteen members of the squad will not return to participate in the "51" football season, but they leave behind 12 able letterman to carry on next year. They are all to be congratulated for a fine football year for PHS.

Those who earned letters are: Seniors:- Francis Macheers, Ned Wilson, Jim Peters, Dick Brown, Jerry Hamm, Marion Slutter, Ted Pethel, John Deems, Harold Ray, Rex McDaniel, Jim Webb, Bob Hawley, Charles Peterman, Ted Montgomery, Carl Klobassa, and Charles Bell, Junior:- Joe Reagan, Fred Nesbitt, Eddie Allen, Don Cox, Jim Troxel, Curt Nettles, ann Ernie Amoneno. Sophomores:- John Van Deman, Bill Bolte, Bob Remington, Dale Anderson, and Bill Coughenour.

Voice Artist For Assembly Program



Lucile LaChapelle

For the next KU assembly the students of PHS will be entertained by Lucile LaChapelle, noted authority on the importance of your voice in everyday life. This assembly will be given by Miss LaChapelle on December 15.

Miss LaChapelle will show her audience how to speak and how to speak well. Lucile LaChapelle has been described as a stimulating and humorous speaker and her assembly is being eagerly awaited with interest by all.

Open Letter To Gabriel Heatter

(Gabriel Heatter, noted radio commentator, recently asked for letters on what Thanksgiving meant to his listening audience. Here is what Thanksgiving meant to us.)

Dear Mr. Heatter,

What did Thanksgiving mean to us? Why, anyone of us will tell you it meant getting out of school two days, it meant smiling at long-lost Cousin Carrie from Cucamonga over a steaming turkey with trimmings, and it meant listening to Pa's Alma Mater get whopped in the annual Turkey-Day Classic. That's what we'll admit Thanksgiving meant to us—that's what we'll tell you.

But it's a hard-hearted soul among us who really didn't do a little more than that, and who didn't just for a second realize that behind the fairly well commercialized exterior of Thanksgiving, lie the best reasons in the world for a holiday.

When Uncle Fred said grace, and ended with, "For our blessings, we thank thee almighty God," we realized it. When the college band played "We Gather Together" at half time we realized it, and when Aunt Martha passes the turkey and junior dug in with a bang, we had that realization written all over our faces.

What were we realizing? That's the rub—we can't pin it down to any one thing, because it was a lot of things. It had something to do with admiration for some long-forgotten pilgrim. It had something to do with pride for a country and a people that have progressed so much from that first Thanksgiving dinner some 300 years ago. And, it had something to do with real, uncommercialized thanks.

We guess to us, Thanksgiving meant Thanksgiving, and giving thanks, and being thankful, and thanking God.

It meant taking a few minutes out to appreciate the things we take for granted . . . things like freedom and opportunity liberty, prosperity and peace. And, it meant a vacation, a reunion, a dinner, a football game, a prayer, and a Thank-You.

That, Mr. Heatter, is what Thanksgiving meant to us.

Your's sincerely,
The Booster Staff

Personality Plus

MARILYN KAZMIERSKI

"Oh hi, pot!!!!" These words constitute the favorite expression of Miss Marilyn Kazmierski, recent winner of the DAR Good Citizenship Award.

Marilyn, whose favorite teacher is Mr. Nation, can usually be found working at the shows or seeing all of the shows with Charles. ("Cause we get in free.")

During her three years in many she has been prominent in many varied fields. Class officer, member of the student council, and copy-editor of the Purple and White are only a few of her activities. Passing all government tests is Marilyn's "project for the year."

Skirts and blouses, short hair, and going with Charles are definitely O. K. as far as she is concerned. She always enjoys all games and the fun she has in Miss Messenger's gym class.

Marilyn will always remember her senior year as the most wonderful of all her junior high and high school years.

BETTY SNIDER

"To get my Booster stories in on time. That's my ambition."

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wistfully sighs Betty Snider, cute and pert senior.

Betty, whose favorite color is green, is active in Y-Teen's, Purple and White, and the Booster staff. Art is her major here in PHS and she plans to further this major in college next year.

Sewing or drawing are the hobbies of this green-eyed brunette who spends most of her time listening to dreamy music on the radio while she writes "all those letters to that guy."

Although sports don't especially interest her, Betty does like basketball and football. She likes all fads, and loves to read . . . "when there's time!"

Betty practiced putting art into action last year when she printed all the signs and motto which are so familiar to Mrs. Lewis's occupation students. She also worked at Kress's since last year and came to like all people who are considerate and not too noisy.

Before she graduates, Betty plans to break all previous records and swim the pool 15 times without stopping. (That is, if she learns to swim.)

Betty's big ambitions are to go to Art Institute . . . and to marry "Red."

PHYLLIS LAWSON

"Tall, blonde, and beautiful", these three little words describe Phyllis Lawson, attendant to the 1950 Football Queen. Phyllis likes all kinds of popular songs, boys that act their age, basketball games, and a certain member of the Air Force.

Her favorite color is blue and her main hobby is correspondence. The song, "Thinking of You" especially appeals to this slender, blue-eyed girl.

During her three years in PHS Phyllis has been an active Y-Teen member, and a Jr. Class officer. The one memory that will always linger with her will be that of Mr. Nation and his short (?) outlines.

Phyllis plans to attend KSTC next fall, but her real ambition is "to marry into the Air Force."

VONNIE LUNDQUEST

"I want to deliver the BOOSTERS to Mr. Sutton's shop, (Bud's there) ----It's Vonnies. This attractive and amiable senior can usually be found riding in Bud's "Little Yellow Convertible."

"Getting through my senior year without cracking up," is the one ambition of Jean LaVon Lundquest, who passionately loves dancing, reading, anything connected with fun, and soft, sloppy, sentimental pieces.

She'll always remember every-

Hasty Hannah Helps Santa By Selecting Gifts For PHSers



With only fifteen days, six hours, and ten minutes left to shop for Christmas presents, Hasty Hannah decided that now is the time for all good shoppers to come to the aid of Santa. Grabbing her coat and hat she jumped into the car and raced towards town. After going around the block six or seven times, she deposited two nickles in the meter, then hurriedly glanced at her shopping list to see what was first and where to buy it.

"Let me see," she said to herself, "a pair of stilts for Jim McDaniels would be in the toy department. That's on the fourth floor. 'Elevator, please!' Upon arrival she found just the thing—a pair of red stilts to match Jim's cord pants. Then on a nearby table she spied a Chemistry Set (even an eleven year old could manage it) "I must have that for Mr. Cline," she told the clerk.

On to the sports department. . . As the elevator came to a quick and sudden stop, Hannah again consulted the list. "Why of course, how silly of me to forget that,"

thing about PHS and leaves to future PHSers, the 3:15 bell.

A member of the GAA, the Y-Teen cabinet, Vonnies plans to attend college next year, with Bud.

DOROTHY CASE

On a certain bus coming home from Coffeyville Dorothy Case, pretty, red-haired senior encountered her most embarrassing experience. Just ask Dottie!

Dancing, watching football games, and going with certain boys are all likes of Dorothy, whose favorite teacher is Mr. Nation. This little gal, who spends most of her time running around looking for "Gert" is senior class treasurer and a member of the Y-Teen organization. A resident of several cities, Casey can usually be heard humming her favorite song, "I'll Never Be Free" or shouting "Kall Kimber."

"To find somebody to love," is Dorothy's ambition. She loves to baby sit . . . with older boys.

All the good times she has had in PHS will be wonderful memories for Dorothy. She kindly wishes to donate all the candy papers in Mr. Nation's room to future PHSers.



Campus Chatter

By Norma Simons

HERE AND THERE

Imagine the disappointment of Mr. Cline the other night when he ran out on the football field with his camera to record that highlight of the year, the carrying off of the coal scuttle from the Columbus bench. . . When he snapped the camera he discovered he didn't have any bulbs. . . And the show wouldn't wait while he ran for supplies. . . Then there was the girl who asked the football captain if he had seen the game Friday night. . . For further details consult Phyllis Peck . . . As an example of how a little tugboat pulls a mighty ocean liner into dock, our favorite government teacher cited the example of Norma Dainty and Jim McDaniel . . . We hear that Jane Letton and Letty Lemon are going to carry an adding machine along with their rebuttal boxes to the next debate tourney. Just a little slip in arithmetic gave them some trouble in a red hot argument at Topeka. But they had what it took to get over the rough spot and won just the same. . . Then there was the case of an equidistant triangle an "exquisite" triangle in geometry the other day. . . It's a pud, isn't it, Jerry? ?

GEMS OF WISDOM OF ASSEMBLY ORATORS

During the school year at P.H.S. various assembly speakers leave bits of wisdom ringing in our ears. So, the P.H.S. Brain offers some comments—so that our students can put this advice to the best practical use immediately.

"Always listen to the counsel of those 'better informed than you are.'" (Never answer Mr. Nation's questions too quickly. Keep an ear cocked for whispers from friends in all corners of the room.)

"Persistence is what pays off." (Yes, keep barreling down those stairs at noon to the cafeteria. You may have been second in line yesterday, but you can win today.)

"Freedom is our most cherished tradition." (Yeah, remember the time when that senior girl bent over to pick up the softball in gym and her shorts ripped?)

"Keep a free and inquiring mind." (When you buy your hot dog from the Hi-Y boys at the ball games, be sure to look inside the bun for the wiener. It just might be there.)

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December Activities Planned For Y-Teens

The members of the Y-Teen cabinet met in Mrs. Hood's room at 8:15 Tuesday evening, November 21, to discuss plans for the month of December.

Ulf Ostergaard, Danish Professor at the college, was the speaker November 30. He gave a talk on "Danish Culture."

The annual Y-Teen conference will be held December 5, at Neodesha, Kansas. This will be an all day affair, and Pittsburg High School will be represented by several girls.

The Y-Teen girls are starting two new projects. One of them is "Socks for Xmas." Each girl will bring a pair of used "socks" or stockings which will be sent to the organization's choice of foreign countries participating. In the toe of one sock will be a quarter (or just any amount of money) donated by the girl who brought that particular sock. In the toe of the other is the name and address of the giver.

The other project is the selling of tickets for the picture shows coming to the Midland Theatre. The Y-Teens will receive a certain percent of the money collected for the tickets. These shows will start December 14, and will include "Happy Years" starring Dean Stockwell, "Kiss for Corliss" with Shirley Temple, and "American Guerrillas in the Philippines," starring Tryone Power.

Sophies Serve Chili

The twenty girls in GAA who are unfortunate enough to be sophomores honored the twenty-eight juniors and seniors of that organization with a chili supper last Wednesday night, November 29, in the school cafeteria. The supper was held after the regular GAA meeting.

The juniors and seniors kept the sophomores busy bringing more chili, celery, pickles, catsup, pepsi, and anything else that the girls desired.

After the supper, girls chose teams for the remainder of the year. The teams will take turns playing basketball.

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Things Are Happening In Other Schools

Sixty years ago the following letter appeared in the "Nashville News," Nashville, Arkansas. It was reprinted in a recent issue of the News.

Well Mr. Editor, hear I air again. I didn't git no paper last weak and don't know whether you printed my last epistol or not, but after envitin a man to rite, for you I don't think you are so honery as to feed his lettur to the office goata; I suppose you have a office goat; I've heard tell that all editurs have e'm. These here goats may be nice fur editurs but I have a powerful dislikin to e'm, fur one of e'm caused me a heap sight of truble anct. I use to own one of the critters, but all owen to Samantha Jane I don't own it now. The 'one I use to have wusn't a Billy goat it was a she goat and must have been a Mary goat. Well, it got in the yard one day after Samatha Jane put out the clothes to dry and blessed if the blame thing didn't eat the laast one O' 'em. And the way Samatha Jane made the goat hair fly wus a caushun! Ever since then, I heve had a dislikin fur goats. But aint it surprisin' the stuff one of those critters kin eat.

I hope no body will git mad at anything I rite. I am a harmless old man and would not hurt the feelns fur anything, but a little now and then is the spiet of life.

Say, I do wish they would fix that their plank side walk to the Csristian meetin' house. Ir ia in a powerfol bad condishun. As me and Samantha Jane was comin' from meetin' tother nite I got mixed up with it some how or other nd if Samantha Jane hadn't called time and pulled me out I guess I would heve been a fightin with the durn thing till yit. It made me powerful mad and I wos a goin to rite to the President Harrison and make him give me a pension fur it but Samantha Jane loud a democrat couldn't git no penshun till a Democratic president was elected and persuaded me outer the noshun.

Your Affecshunately,
Joshiah Tompkins

The coke-machine of Fort Scott High School has been removed due to carelessness of the students in disposing of the empty bottles.We were just wondering how long it would be before something similar would happen here at PHS if we finally Did get a coke machine.

Seniors at Ark City High aer orderin' Graduation AnnouncementsTake heed and get busy all you PHS seniors! It's later than you think!!!

Identify Me

My hero! Every day he would pass me in the hall, dressed in his purple sweater and white bucks--and would never notice me. Life was dismal and I wanted to die.

But hope, (not Bob) was still alive, springing eternally in the fibre of my being.

One day two girls walked by me, and as they did they talked to my lover. Ah, he was going steady! My heart became but a battered pipe, barely working, hardly beating.

As time went on, no one noticed me, I stood in my corner, and occasionally someone would spit gum in my face.

I grew pale, listless, useless. Then, one day, it happened. I saw him--and he was coming towards me. My heart skipped a beat, I began to shiver in anticipation and ecstasy.

He came closer and closer, and then he leaned over and pressed his lips to mine--deliberately and wonderfully. I felt that my life was complete.

What happened then? Oh, he went on to the gym, I guess. I really couldn't say--I'm only the 1st floor water fountain.

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By Letty Lemon — Janis Burnidge

"Glug-blurp, burble, burble, munph-glug." In case that statement didn't quite hit home, we'll interview the life-saving girls again just as soon as they've drained the water from their ears, eyes, mouths, lungs, and pores.

(TIME PASSES)

"Now, would you girls like to repeat that statement?" we asked.

"Thank gosh, were through with Life Saving."

(We knew that was what they said all the time!!!)

Yes, 16 girls are now entitled to wear those red and black Red Cross badges on their swimming suits, badges which signify "Senior Life Saver" (not to be confused with pineapple lifesavers which at last report were a bit easier to obtain.)

"What," we asked these agile amphibians, "will you remember most about your Life Saving course?" Someone shouted "The double drowning," someone else yelled, "The inverted breast stroke" and

amid the general cries of "block and parry," "the back approach," and other confusing terms--we turned and ran.

Miss Messenger was our next prospective interview, but when we observed her condition (the poor woman was flat on her back, alternately uttering prayers of thanksgiving and tearing her hair) we crept silently away.

So, dear Reader we're awfully sorry but this is all we could learn about the life saving girls. Will this do?

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Hoopsters Open Season Tonight

Tonight the Purple Dragon Cagers will open the 1950-51 basketball season playing their first game against the Wichita East-five on the home court in Roosevelt Gym at 8:00 P.M.

The basketball season opens tonight and Dick Millers crew of hoopsters are well ready for the first in a series of eighteen contests. The boys have been doing well in practices and are looking good for the first game having no injuries on the squad. Returning from last year's varsity to spark the cagers will be Eldon Nicholson, Ned Wilson, Charles Peterman, Leo Carney, who played a fine class of ball on the B squad will also see plenty of action in the games this year.

The "B" squad will play a preliminary game before the varsity's game, starting at 6:30.

The starting five for the Dragons is undecided.

Volley Finals Today

For the past two weeks the girl's gym classes have been participating in intramural volley ball games under the direction of Miss Helen Messenger, gym teacher.

The teams played at noon hour in the little gym. The captains for the various hours were, 1st hour, Janice Burnidge; 2nd hour, Clo Ann Walker; 3rd hour, Billie Johnson; 4th hour, Marilyn Kazmierski; 5th hour, Judy Timmons.

During the first week first hour played second hour. First hour won by a big margin. The next game pitted third hour against fourth hour in which fourth hour emerged as the victor.

This last week the fourth hour this time against the rugged fifth hour once more emerged victorious. The last game for the championship of the five classes was played this Wednesday at noon. The game, in which the twice triumphant Pretzels faced the first hour Purple Spit-fires, got off to a dull start with the fourth hour coming through to win the first game by a big margin. The second game, however, was full of thrills and excitement as it was tied up with a 14-14 score for several minutes until the first hour came from behind to win 16-14.

As this gives both first and fourth one game apiece the tie for championship will be played off at noon Friday, after we are at press.

These games have been interesting both to the players and to the people watching so no matter who wins everyone is assured of an extra special interesting game to watch.

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Football Team Elects Captains



Francis Macheers, Coach Martin Rohde, Ned Wilson and (Coal Bucket)

Ned Wilson and Francis Macheers were recently elected as co-captains for this year's football team by members of the squad. These boys who have played fine football and always contributed much to the team's spirit well deserve this honor bestowed upon them by the members of the team.

Ned, a senior has played three years at left end on the varsity squad. He is known for catching those touchdown passes.

Francis Macheers sharing the honor of co-captain with Ned is also a senior having lettered two years at tackle on the varsity of PHS. Francis played both offensive and defensive for the Dragon gridsters doing a fine job.

Sixteen Seniors Leave Gridiron

Gone are the glorious days of the gridiron for many members of the 1950 Dragon football team. There are sixteen senior boys who have played their last game for their alma mater. These boys, some of whom have played three years of ball for P.H.S. have worked hard at the rugged sport and have contributed much in the line of athletic spirit to Pittsburg High.

Going down the line Ned Wilson, Jim Peters, and Richard Brown at the end positions did a fine job when called upon to catch passes or stop end runs. Along side the ends were the tackles Francis Macheers, Jerry Hamm, and Herk Slutter. Guards deserving credit were John Deems and Ted Pethtel always known to turn in a fine job at their positions. Centers Harold Ray and Rex McDaniels although suffering injuries during the season did a fine job when they were able to play. Looking at the backfield Bob Hawley, who reminds fans of Branko Nagurski at fullback will be remembered for those line plunges; while halfbacks Peterman and Montgomery were two of the finest any team could want.

Charles Bell, varsity quarterback, who was sidelined most of

the season with a broken ankle, was replaced by smaller though capable Carl Klobassa. These boys made up one of the finest teams PHS has ever had.

FINAL SEK STANDINGS.

The football season is over and PHS students know where the Dragons finished in second place but for the benefit of those who are interested, here are the total standings of all teams in the SEK.

	W.	L.	T.	Pct.	Pts.	Op.
Coffeyville	7	0	0	1.000	186	45
Pittsburg	5	1	1	.786	138	50
Columbus	4	3	0	.571	99	101
Ft. Scott	3	3	1	.500	88	80
Independence	3	4	0	.429	112	152
Chanute	2	4	1	.357	108	114
Parsons	1	3	3	.357	60	126
Iola	0	7	0	.000	38	167

"I shall now illustrate what I have in mind," said Mr. Nation as he erased the board. . .

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Seven Dragons On SEK Team

PHS was recently honored when Ted Montgomery and Francis Macheers were selected to the first all S. K. football league team. Montgomery one of the finest halfbacks in the league who won top scoring honors for PHS with Francis Macheers, who started at tackle well deserved this honor.

Ned Wilson, veteran end of the Purple Dragons, with Bob Hawley, fullback, and Jim Troxel, left guard, were selected to the second team in the all SEK.

Jim Peters, right end, and Charles Peterman, halfback, were given honorable mention by the judges.

Coffeyville was the only team placing more boys on the squads than Pittsburg. Coffeyville placed eight with the Dragons having seven named to the mythical squad. This is truly an honor to all the boys named and, PHS should be proud of her members on the squad.

First Team

Player	Team	Position
Everett Williams	Columbus	End
Paul Crandall	Coffeyville	End
Chester Gross	Independence	Tackle
Francis Macheers	Pittsburg	Tackle
Bill Bromley	Coffeyville	Guard
Leo Mason	Fort Scott	Guard
Bob Rhyne	Fort Scott	Center
Albert Mulliken	Columbus	QB
Don Stroud	Chanute	HB
Ted Montgomery	Pittsburg	HB
Don Lee	Coffeyville	FB

Second Team

Wilson	Pittsburg	End
Pruitt	Independence	End
Tipton	Coffeyville	Tackle
Meeker	Columbus	Tackle
Duron	Parsons	Guard
Troxel	Pittsburg	Guard
Arnold	Independence	Center
Toohy	Fort Scott	Back

Dragons Finish Gridiron Season

The football season may be over but few PHS students will forget the appropriate way the Purple Dragons ended their battles on the gridiron. Playing against the Columbus Titans in the last game of the season the Dragon gridsters regained the coal bucket and held second place in the S. E. K. by downing the Titans 27-7.

The Dragons held command throughout the game and stopped Columbus's passing attack cold with fine defensive plays. Scoring for the Dragons in their victory was Ted Montgomery going over twice and Ned Wilson and Charles Peterman scoring one touchdown apiece. E. Amoneno kicked three out of four extra points. The team played one of their finest games of season and are to be congratulated on the fine way in which they closed out the gridiron affairs of the year.

Hawley	Pittsburg	Back
Roche	Parsons	Back
Smith	Parsons	Back
Bachelder	Coffeyville	Back
Walshall	Coffeyville	Back
Honorable Mention		
Ends—Chalker, Parsons; Peters, Pittsburg.		

Tackles—Swaney, Chanute; Vanderhoof and McGehee, Coffeyville; Johnson, Fort Scott.

Guards—Hendrick, Independence Brown, Fort Scott.

Center—Middleton, Iola.
Backs—Peterman, Pittsburg; Kourkous, Independence; Phillips and Eddington, Columbus; George, Coffeyville.

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