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Candid Commentary

By Charles Davis

REST EASY my children, the evaluation is over. The worst will soon be known. Have we passed or have we failed? Must we close our doors and give it up as a bad job, or are we entitled to keep on working? It would certainly be a shame if all the work the teachers have done this year would go to naught. But of course we know from talking to some of them that they have enjoyed filling out all those blanks. But remember, dear teachers, you still have the job of teaching school. Or had you forgotten in the rush to evaluate.

CONGRATULATIONS.. AND bouquets and stuff to Mr. Tewell. We regard it as a feather in your cap and a great compliment to your ability as a coach that your team has won the SEK. For his first year at PHS, Mr. Tewell has made a great success. And to those four debaters, you the school's thanks and well wishes for the state meet at Lawrence. Nice going, kids, and the same to you, Danny.

AT LAST THE TRUE aims of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics are revealed. No longer can they call themselves the friend of the working man. Finland is a state in which all industries are nationally owned. It is a country of cooperative. Russia's invasion brands her as merely another land-hungry, imperialistic country interested in the greatness of Russia, not of the working man. It would be well for those who listen to the words of the iron-lunged, complaining Bolsheviks in the United States to take heed of what is going on in Finland today and realize the true aims of Russia. Just another dictatorship following the whims of one man. Not the proletariat.

IN CHICAGO the other day, a bunch of architects threw a big party. Everybody had to come dressed to represent some god or myth. Many dressed as Bacchus, the god of wine and other gods and goddesses. But one fellow hung signs all over himself saying "We owe it to ourselves so we don't owe it", and "Witness the glories of debt". He called himself the "Myth of the Unbalanced Budget".

SECRETARY HULL'S TRADE PROGRAM will undergo a test in Congress this week. A vote is to be taken to see whether the administration will have the power to continue to negotiate reciprocal trade treaties with other countries. This power, unless renewed, will expire in June. It seems to me the administration is right. A system of reciprocal trade treaties connecting all countries in the world would, to my mind, be one of the biggest steps toward world peace taken in a long time. It is largely because of the trade barriers erected between countries today that we have such international bad feeling. And incidentally, it might be a good idea to do something about all the trade barriers springing up between states that threatens to strangle interstate trade.

RELIABLE AUTHORITIES tell us that the Indian population of the United States is on the increase. Saw an article the other day that told how they were demanding the return of the land upon which Seattle, Washington is built. And that brings to mind the fact that, although the Redskins were only paid twenty-four dollars for Manhattan Island, that sum at compound interest, would today buy back the island.

TWO MINES HAD TO shut down recently in the district around Kirksville, Mo. because the union demanded such high wages from the employees that it sent the company into bankruptcy. Well, the union got its way. No shop. Of course, the fact that the industry in these United States is going to force workers to work in "sweat men are now unemployed is of no importance.

Mary Lois Smith, senior, sang "Does Your Heart Beat For Me" at the Colonial Amateur hour, Sunday. She carried away the second prize, \$5.00. Lauretta Bell Ashline, junior, sang "Careless."

Sophmores Elect Biggs President After Much Delay

(By Philip Norman)

J. O. Biggs was chosen president of the sophomore class in a meeting Friday morning. Jean Helbig, Lucretia Askins and Bert Rogers were elected vice-president, secretary, and treasurer respectively.

J. O. Biggs, the president, is the president of Mr. Snodgrass's home room and plays sophomore basketball. He comes from Roosevelt Junior High School.

Jean Helbig, came from Springfield, Mo. two years ago and attended Lakeside for the ninth grade. She is the Student Council alternate from Mr. Collier's home room and a member of the Girl Reserves. She also plays the viola in the orchestra.

Lucretia Askins comes from Roosevelt Junior High School, where she was a class officer for three years. She is a Student Council member from Miss Lanyon's home room whose basketball team she captains.

Bert Rogers is the Student Council alternate from Mr. Hartford's home room and also a member of the Hi-Y. When he went to Roosevelt Junior High, he was a class officer all three years.

Each sophomore home room nominated one person for each office. The names were then voted on by each home room and the three or four with the most votes were chosen as final nominees for each office. In a meeting of the sophomore class Friday February 2, a final vote was taken of the nominees and officers chosen.

Driving Courses Increase Safety

After successfully completing the course in sportsmanlike driving, the 150 sophomores boys enrolled in this subject all agreed to do their part in making the highways safer, according to Fritz Snodgrass, driving instructor. The Kansas Highway Patrol has set forth the following Safe Driving Rules which have been heartily prescribed by students of P. H. S. and should be emphasized by all when driving:

1. Watch the roads--Inattention is a great cause of accidents.
 2. Refuse to drive a car when drinking.
 3. Observe all warning signs and signals.
 4. Stay on your own side of the road.
 5. Signal your intention to turn or stop.
 6. Do not stop in a traffic lane.
 7. Keep your automobile mechanically fit.
 8. Be sure the way is clear before overtaking and passing.
 9. Dim your lights for cars approaching from the opposite direction.
 10. Be alert of cross traffic at intersections.
 11. Fit your speed to the conditions--be reasonable.
 12. Be SAFETY-CONSCIOUS.
- "If these rules are followed, there will be fewer accidents. The fewer accidents, the less people killed. We may meet some old friends by unsafe driving, but who wants to shake hands with a ghost," Mr. Snodgrass said. "Accidents Can Be Prevented."

Bill Graue Wins Typing Contest Again

Bill Graue won first place in the typing contest held January 30 and February 1. He was awarded the typing pin, which he may wear until defeated in another contest.

Bill had a rating of 100 per cent in accuracy, having typed 34 words per minute with no errors. Lenore Funk rated highest in speed with 50 words per minute and 3 errors. Bill defeated Lenore by .8 composite speed and accuracy point.

Others participating in the contest were Eudene Mingori, Wilma Williamson, Ruth Williams and Mary Margaret Kerr.

"The next typing contest will be held the latter part of February," Mr. Howard Lundquest asserted.

RUSH WINS D. A. R. DISTRICT CONTEST

Ida Louise Rush will go to Topeka Saturday, February 24, as the D. A. R. representative from the third district, it was announced yesterday afternoon. She was selected from among the contestants who represented the high schools from this district.

At Topeka she will see the sights of the city and have tea at the governor's mansion. If her name is drawn in the final state contest in which all congressional districts of this state participate, she will go to Washington, D. C.

Ida Louise was selected as the representative of P. H. S. by a faculty committee two weeks ago. She was one of four students nominated by the student body.

Thieves Carry Off New Equipment

One of the worst thefts in the history of the High School occurred last Monday evening when burglars broke into the Little Theatre and Office and stole equipment valued at \$1400.

The building was entered by means of a key or lock pick. No signs of tampering were to be seen. It appeared as though a chisel had been used.

In the Little Theatre, the recording machine and the microphone, valued at \$250, was stolen. The sound projector worth \$600 and other motion picture equipment worth some \$200 were taken.

Mr. Tewell stated that the recording machine microphone was one of the finest of its kind. It was used in assemblies for a loud speaker system.

The machine was purchased two years ago when Mr. Row was speech director. It was used to record the voices of speech students in order to show improvement during the year. The sound projector is used for a public address system and for motion pictures.

Monday night, the building was in use until about ten o'clock with organizations. The robbery occurred sometime after that. City police are investigating the crime.

Ammonia Makes San Man Disappear

Students who think that school's the place to sleep had better shy away from senior science, for Mr. Thiebaut really has the system!

As the story goes, during a lengthy lecture on the process of H₂O (or something), he gazed fondly upon the sea of brilliant faces before him, when suddenly a black spot appeared in their midst.

Thinking at first that his liver might be acting up and making spots before his eyes, he paused. Then, with a most unhappy thought he realized it was a student, yawning.

So, into the lab he goes, and when he again steps into the room, he is not alone. Accompanying him is a huge jar of ammonia.

The entire class received the sharp benefits of its aroma, and this writer's willing to bet, that if a pupil felt like sleeping after that, his yawns and all other indications of the sandman were carefully suppressed!

Senior High Current Events As Flashed From The Halls Of P. H. S.

Betty Pyle and Marilyn Canfield did a little mud-slinging under the flagpole the other day and they threw real mud.

These high-class teachers with superior knowledge worry us. Especially Miss Laney when she uses the word infinitesimal. It's in the dictionary!

Kathryn Wilson likes typing so well she thinks maybe she will stay and take it again next year.

If Marvin Edwards and Ed Tims can convince the public as easily as they did in the Sadies Hawkins assembly that they can really fight, they might try the Golden Gloves.

Everyone is talking about the school spirit Columbus had by bringing all the students to the game, but did anyone notice they booed our team.

School Officials Attend Council Of Administration

By Anita Ray

Eight members of the city school system and several members of the College faculty attended the twenty-third annual meeting of the Council of Administration of the Kansas State Teachers' Association and affiliated meetings in Topeka, Feb. 1, 2, and 3. This is the section of the Kansas State Teachers' Association for administrators.

"The purpose of this is to study administrative problems in connection with the schools," Supt. M. M. Rose said.

President Evan E. Evans of Winfield, presided at the meeting. Out-of-state speakers at the convention were Dr. James S. Thomas, President of Clarkson College, Potsdam, N. Y.; Mrs. Ruth Bryan, of New York City; Dr. Francis Spaulding, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Dr. Earnest Horn, State University of Iowa; Miss Eva G. Pinkston, Department of Elementary School Principals of National Education Association, Washington, D. C.

"Beside general sessions, there were departmental meetings of college teachers, both city and county supervisors, high school principals, junior high school principals, elementary principals, and supervisors," said Mrs. J. H. Hand, principal of Washington school.

In the affiliated meetings were American Legion School Master Club, English teachers, physical science teachers, geography teachers, National Youth Administration, Phi Delta Kappa, art teachers, and Kansas State Association of School Boards.

The members of the city school system attending from Pittsburg were Supt. M. M. Rose, Principals J. L. Hutchinson, Senior High; Finis M. Green, Roosevelt Junior High; Miss Laura Allen, Lincoln; Mrs. Anna R. Brown, Forest Park; Mrs. Louella Tripp, Central; Mrs. Hand, and Miss Pauline Staats, city supervisor of grade schools.

Camers Show Posture

Another little sophie stood up in front of the sheet behind which were two photo floods. The camera clicked. "Next," shouted Martha Ruth Howard, the photographer, from behind the camera. This went on until all the girls in the gym classes had their silhouette pictures taken.

Several days later Miss Lanyon handed back the silhouettes and pointed out the defects in this same little sophie's posture.

"Now you have a forward head and a protruding stomach," Miss Lanyon said as she handed her a long list of corrective exercises.

"Whew," explained the little sophie "I want be beautiful, but I'm afraid it's not worth the price of going thru all these exercises."

"Senator, you promised me a job."

"But there are no jobs open."

"Well, you said you'd give me one."

"Tell you what I'll do: I'll appoint a commission to investigate why there are no jobs, and you can work on that."

Calendar Of Events

February 9 to February 16

Friday
Chanute at Pittsburg, 7:30
Douglas basketball
Monday
Allied Youth, Little Theater, 7:30
Baseball Picture.
American Legion
Tuesday
Pittsburg at Independence
P. T. A. Dinner.
Thursday
Speech Dinner.
Hi-Y in groups.
Girl Reserves in groups.
Friday
Pittsburg at Fort Scott

Senior Artist Wins Yearbook Contest

Mary Lois Smith, senior, won the contest sponsored by the Purple and White for the best drawing to be used on the cover of the 1940 Annual.

There were a number of entries in the contest which closed January 28. The other contestants were Norma Billington, Wilma Williamson, Roy Thompson, Jack Collins, and Marvin Tucker, some of whom submitted two and three drawings.

The sketches, before being judged were sent to Miss White's art classes, who in turn picked three from which the executives and sponsors of the Purple and White chose the one. The three selected were two from Norma Billington and the one of Mary Lois's.

"I feel it's a great honor to have my drawing accepted for the 1940 Purple and White," declared Mary Lois. Her ambition, she says, is to be a commercial artist.

Besides being Staff Artist for the Booster, she is on the Purple and White Staff and belongs to the Pep Club and Girl Reserves. She has also taken part in various poster contests during her three years at P. H. S. "I was well-satisfied with the splendid response to our contest," declared H. B. Cheyne, Purple and White Editor, "and wish to express my thanks to those who entered."

Feature Writers Rarely Ever Normal

Some fun this job of feature writing! Yes, it's easy if you happen to be the right type of person. So, to the future Boosters who think they might like feature writing, here are the requirements.

The first and most essential qualification for the feature writer is that he should be mentally deranged. His actions would warrant him a place for any institution.

His public often gaze at him wondering what he'll try next. He tries to take a small unimportant event and convince his readers that the happening is comical, sad, serious or terrifying.

Qualification number two: He should suffer frequently from brain storms. At the height of one of these mental illusions, he should write furiously before he regains his right mind again.

Third requirement is the necessity of speed. An abundance of material must be supplied for the editor to throw in the waste basket. If the writer turns in the material faster than the editor can throw it away, a story occasionally "makes" the paper.

Fourth and final requirement: The amateur feature writer must read an abundance of senseless articles like this one.

BEGIN LOGARITHM STUDY

Miss Fintel's trigonometry classes have just finished the study of the six trigonometric functions of an angle, algebraic signs, and imaginaries. Next week, they will start the study of logarithms. Her plane geometry classes are studying proportions.

Miss Bailey's plane geometry classes have made geometric designs. They had their choice of making monograms of their initials or designs of lineoleums. These designs contained all the geometric designs. Some were of bright colors, others of pastel shades.

Debaters Win First In SEK Meet At Parsons

By Charles (Chuck) Davis

For the second time in the history of the league, a Pittsburg team won the SEK debate tournament. The contest was held in Parsons last Friday and was won by a team composed of Bob Akey, Margaret Agnes Naylor, Jane Pratt, and Georgeanne Switzer.

Teams from six SEK towns participated in the tourney. They were Coffeyville, Fort Scott, Chanute, Parsons, and Independence. Each school sent two four-man teams.

The other team from Pittsburg was Albert Hopper, Naida Chandler, Jim Marchbanks, and Charles Davis.

The tournament was divided into two brackets, the two teams from each school debating in a different bracket. The winners of the two brackets then met for the championship.

Three rounds were held from which the semi-finalists were selected. The Pittsburg team came through this preliminary without a loss. In the while Fort Scott and Parsons debated. The final round was held Friday night between Fort Scott and Pittsburg.

Previously in the year the Pittsburg teams had been in the quarter-finals at the College, received third at Topeka, tied for third at Fort Scott, and got to the quarter-finals at Coffeyville.

On February 16, the team will go to Lawrence to attend the state meet held there. They will meet teams who have won other regional meets such as the one at Parsons.

"I am very pleased with the showing of the debaters this year, especially at Parsons. I feel that we have a good chance at Lawrence," stated Mr. Dan Tewell, debate coach.

Proctors Recieve New Assignments

Nadine Scaevze was the only new proctor chosen last week at the proctor meeting. The proctors chosen last semester will continue with their duties. Those proctors and their duties are:

FIRST FLOOR
South east--Marvin Page
North west--Margaret Crockett
North east--Lenore Funk
Second Floor
South west--Nadine Scaevze
South east--Evelyn Harmel
North west--Virginia Oardker
North east--Marjorie Parr
Third Floor
South west--Marjorie Ogan
South east--John Schneider
North west--Lauretta Ashline
North east--Margaret Jones
The following students have special duties: outside the Library door Betty Jean Navarre, first hour; Virginia Tucker, second hour; Glenna Axtell, third hour; Dorothy O'Laughlin, fourth hour; Doris Nevin, fifth hour; and Lida Lee Shasteen, sixth hour.

EMBRYO ACTORS REHEARSE

The actors and actresses of tomorrow have been studying types of drama in dramatics. Each student is required to read at least one play a week.

Bill Griffith, Barbara Williams, and Shirley Ann Gay are working on a comedy entitled "Suppressed Desires." A radio play called "The Dark Room" was presented to the class by Bob Massman, Ellsworth Owensby, Jack Cox, Walter Smith, Jane Pratt, and Margaret Naylor.

Latest official communique from Mr. Briggs states that his history classes have just begun waging the veterans of the Civil War by this War of 1812. The classes usually are time but they decided to fight the World War first for the experience.

STUDY QUADRILATERALS

Miss Bailey's plane geometry classes are studying the areas of quadrilaterals, four-sided figures. Her business arithmetic classes are studying the aliquot parts of multiplication.

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NEED CONTESTS FOR AVERAGE STUDENTS

The scholarship contest which is offered every spring at K. S. T. C. is an excellent experience for anyone. It lets students really know what they know about a certain subject. If you have enough intelligence so that you can make the highest score among the competitors, you are awarded a scholarship to K. S. T. C.

Although this is an excellent opportunity, it is offered only to those of the higher intelligence rank. It encourages these people to study harder, although, most of the time, it is not this class of students that need the encouragement.

The students who make average or lower grades need similar encouragement. Some way ought to be worked out by which these people can have such excellent experience.

Maybe a plan similar to the scholarship contest could be worked out for this class of people and then an award could be given the winner. If a plan such as this could be worked out, it would encourage many students to study more and raise their grades. This would also raise the standards of the school.

SOPHOMORES REVERT TO GAY NINTIES

Democracies are falling around the world. Freedom is becoming more scarce every day. "That is miles away," says the average P. H. S. student. But let us take a look into our high school. The sophomores have just finished their election. Boys were chosen as president and treasurer, and girls as vice president and secretary.

This did not happen by accident, for it was ruled before the election that only a boy could be elected to the office of president and treasurer, and only girls as vice president and secretary.

This limited the vote of the sophomore, for had the girls of the class formed a block a girl could have been elected president. It is also possible that the boys could have filled every office had they wished.

The constitution says "No one shall be denied the right to vote because of race, color, sex, or previous condition of servitude. Of what value is the freedom to vote if you can't vote for whom you wish?"
The Booster

IS EDUCATION FALLING?

In four and a half short months many high school seniors will be out in the cold world trying to find jobs. But are they prepared?

Recently an economist told a group of principals and superintendents that the high schools were not educating the students to make a living. This certainly is a question.

One solution to this problem is the building of trade schools. These schools would prepare the youth in some trade, such as auto mechanics. The only drawback is that it costs money to equip and build such schools.

Perhaps in the future, as the people see the need for this kind of schools and establish them, high school seniors will be prepared at graduation to fill certain jobs with confidence.

"THEY CAME, THEY SAW, WE CONQUERED"

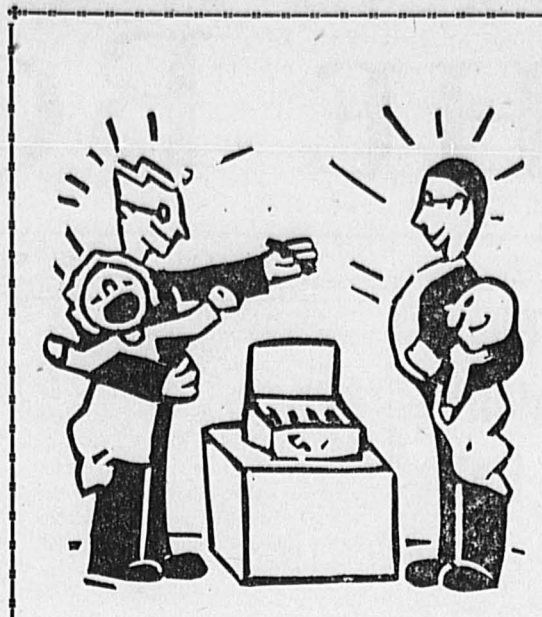
We all were taught to act just right, Stay awake that we might recite; We all were given instructions you know, On what to say and where to go; "Don't knock them down when you leave the room, We noticed with pride our lockers' new paint When you're in such a hurry to eat at noon!" And saw the radiators no longer looked quaint. We were proud of our school on those three days. To have such visitors certainly pays! And even the mice must have heard the news And known that our visitors were quite the "who, who's!"
For not a girl has screamed with fright, So we put forth our best foot all right!
Ida Louise Rush

THE NEWS IN CARTOON

—Mary Lois Smith, Staff Artist



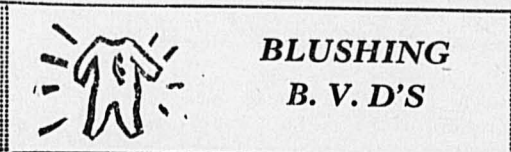
Fainting and perspiring student were seen all over the building last Friday as the Sophomores finally elected their officers after months of delay.



Cigars are much in sight as two blessed events occur in the faculty, Margaret Mary Procter and Don Howard Lundquist.



Learned gentlemen from Colleges and Universities go into a huddle this week to find the worth of dear old Pittsburg High.



BLUSHING
B. V. D'S

We won't even take time to say hello, cause we just have heaps of gossip for you to read. Just read on chillen!!

'Tis rumored that a certain junior gal, Jean Snider, is the reason for Jackie Byers ('39) sudden happiness.

Guess what! We heard that Marian Hart had a date the other night, and she claims that he came to face her mother!! Ha Ha (The boy was Charles Newcomb).

Double dates who went to the Columbus game: Warren Bottenfield and Shirley Johnston, A. M. Brim and Betty Forrester (again). Why Bottsie! You surprised us.

Pinky just up and asked George Pogson to the Sadie Hawkins dance. We'll bet a lot of boys wish there were more "Pinky's to go around."

Rosemary Skaer and Morris Moffat have that certain look in their eyes. We wonder.....????

If anyone would like to know the method of removing lipstick stain, just consult Jack Broadhurst. He has made the discovery.

Tip to Jimmy Millington. Wear a blue sweater and you'll have an ardent admirer. We'll keep you guessing and someday we'll tell you who she is.

Something just must be said about the affair of Dorothy O'Laughlin and Denny Davidson. They've been going steady for Oh! so long. 'Tis said that true love never runs smooth, but of course their's is an exception.

Skating is a good exercise and it's also lots of fun for Lou Johnson. Especially when her partner is Jim Halacy. Keep up the good skating Lou. Remember your motto. "Keep my balance, never fall, cause if I do, Oh my!"

Ho—Hum, we are still worn out after the Sadie Hawkins week. Thanks to the Columbus kids and Sadie we girls didn't have to be wallflowers, for once. Bye Bye and be good.



Style Show

Joyce Henney

With the weather finally getting back to normal it brings thoughts of spring clothes to practically every girl.

Speaking of coats, we find that fitted coats are going to top the loose ones. Dark colors such as black or navy blue are going to be seen more than the light colors that have predominated in the preceding. In the lighter colored coats are featuring white collars. A lot of the dark coats are featuring white collars.

Suits are going to be worn a lot this spring with man tailored suits being most popular. Pin stripes are going to have a definite place in the suit circle. Pastel sweaters and blouses will be worn with these suits.

Dresses are very outstanding. Skirts are going on the flare. Sleeves just above or below the elbows, both are to be very good. Sheer wool be very good in pastel colors, alpaca will be worn a lot, but jersey will top everything.

Gray is the predominating color of the early spring dresses and following that very closely in pink, yellow, and navy.

Hats are very small and have bright decorations. They aren't as tall as they have been. All colors of the rainbow are represented by spring hats.

Patent leather is very good for purses. They are light and dark. With dark coats, light purses and matching gloves are very attractive.

Shoes are as usual, patent leather topping the spring style.

In the spot lights, silk jersey skirts gathered on to a band are the first word. With these are worn white cotton blouses. Wool pastel skirts and pastel sweaters would add a lot to a wardrobe.

Birthdays

By "Barkie" Naylor

From February 11 to February 17, many important people in our school celebrate their birthdays. A look in our little red birthday book shows that stalwart hero of the gridiron, Tommy Shultz, was actually once a howling little angel, and he annually recalls that date on February 11.

Now on February 12, there are more celebrants but just as exclusive a trio, for on that date that "little bit of Ireland" with the sky blue eyes, the "Snow White" skin, and the "black diamond hair," Mary Jean Spriggs, and that industrious sophomore, Darlene Huggins, and that industrious sophomore, William Scott, made their debut.

Then, of course, comes February 13, a number that holds no "jinks" for Nick Tavernaro, who braves all sorts of danger to satisfy his "photography bug." Next in the fourteenth is Connie Catanzaro vocalist from an unusually musical family.

On February 15 two charmers, one a blond and one a brunette were announced to this old universe. They are...oops you've guessed it, Lucretia Askins and Martha Packard.

When February 16 dawned serene and beautiful who shattered the peace of that lovely day but that garulous debater, that thunderous baritone that intelligent scholar...no, not Kay Kyser...Robert McKinley Akey.

Then last but not least, came the quintuplets...no not the Dionnes...Beverly Vergoglio, Wilma Williamson, Joe Fontaine, J. O. Biggs and Junior Booe on February 17.

And so kiddies, the story ends for this week but we'll be back "in a flash" with "News while it is News." Time Marches On!!!!



P. H. S.
CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR SADIE HAWKINS WEEK

I worship your hair and your eyes and complexion.

Your manners from me get their due genuflection.

Your teeth are a truly delightful collection In short, dear, I think you're just dandy.

I'll treat you quite often and other wise woo you.

I'll show you attention most certainly due you; As well as the usual candy.

I think that your mind's on a high elevation A marvelous brain that is over my station; You're one in a million whose light conversation

Is really remarkably clever.

To parties and dances I like to escort you; And also to kiss you and otherwise court you.

But darling, if you think I'll ever support you The answer's decidedly never

Blondie

This columnist has received quite a few contributions which I couldn't use because they came in too late for the Booster, and would be out of date for the next issue. So please have your contributions in the Friday before the next Booster goes to press.

Thank you

It seems that a certain girl (J. S. a junior) has pleasure in taking another girl's date. The date was J. L. The date let the other girl get home the best way possible and took J. S. home.

Unsigned

How much pleasanter it is to be riding in a cab, thinking how much pleasanter it is to be riding in a cab than it is to walk, than it is to walk thinking how much pleasanter it is to be riding in a cab than it is to walk.

Under the streetcar's leather strap The homely maiden stands, And stands and stands and stands and stands and stands and stands.

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Oh, Johnny, oh, Johnny Please get me a Booster.

Dear Students:

We are beginning a new idea in the Birthday column in the Feb. 9 issue of the Booster. We wish you would compare the new style of columning with the old and tell us through the Contributions Column which type you like the better.

The Birthday Columnist



Sentiental
Sal

I did not think I would have any troubles for a while because of Leap Week. I thought all the girls and boys problems would be solved. But alas, it didn't seem to help any. Here's some bad luck people who were not as lucky as some. Maybe this will help. Let's hope so.

Dear Sentiental Sal,

When in the course of human events an ideal young man like myself finds an ideal girl whose initials are M. M., it becomes necessary to cut a third party "out". Would you please inform me as to the general procedure which I should pursue in establishing my claim. Some call me "Slim" and some call me "Shorty" but you can just call me "Bigshot".

Yours truly,

"Bigshot"

P. S. I have a big Packard convertible sedan, a new suit and hat, and 7 days a week off.

"Bigshot"

Dear "Bigshot"

When in the course of human events, an ideal man like yourself should not stick your nose in other people's affairs. The party of the third part would not like for the party of the second part to be taken away from the party of the third.

So, let the party of the second part alone 'cause the party of the second part wants the party of the third part. I'm sorry, if I can't help you, but that's all. Unless.....you can go ahead and ask her for a date!

Faithfully yours,
Sal

Dear Sal,

I want to get a date with a certain girl. I never have had a date with her. I thought Leap Week would help but it seemed that it didn't, so what am I to do?

Waiting

Dear Waiting,

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WANT ADS

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RETURNED—Dean Amick. Kept out of school by a back injury. Glad to have you back, Dean.

FOUND—The football pin of A. M. Brim. On Betty Forester's dress. Is it still there Betty?

WANTED—A mechanical scrap picker-upper for my room after first hour leaves....Miss Hatton.

FOUND—The real Morris Moffat....Rosemary Skaer.

PERSONAL—Senior Class Officers. Do you suppose we'll get our class rings by next Xmas?...Senior Class

FOUND—Love.—By George Ahrens. (Mickey Van Arsdale is cute, isn't she?)

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If you were the speaker, would you, after one look at the audience, feel much like giving a very good speech? When people are carrying on private conversations, it doesn't give you much satisfaction in bringing your message to them.

After this, try listening for a while and you will find that when you hear the first of the talk, it will interest you and you will want to hear all of it. You won't want people on both sides of you and in front and back talking so much that you can't hear the speaker.

Try it once, and see if the results aren't pleasing to you.

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Public Forum

B. H. B. Cheyne

This week while wandering through the halls, I decided to pick at random eight people, regardless of all qualifications, and determine their views on a question. Heretofore all interviews have been especially chosen for their interest and knowledge of the subject.

This week the question, being of common interest to everyone, tempted me to get from the mass of students walking through our halls, miscellaneous, off record interviews on the timely question: "Should religion be more emphasized in the training you receive at Pittsburg High School?" To encourage frankness of opinions, the views will merely be expressed without stressing pro or con.

Jack Cremer, an officer in Hi-Y and a Boy Scout leader in the Methodist church, asserts "Religion is emphasized most in the home room, but I believe it could stand more sincerity and thought. Many times the lesson is read and half the room doesn't understand it. Discussion of the Bible might run into difficulties but more sincere home room devotions would help everyone."

James Calloway, says, "I believe that religion could be more emphasized in home room devotions; but when you discuss the Bible with so many different sects of religion, I doubt if the prejudice and narrow views of some will be overcome, and a practical good derived from the discussion."

Frank Thogmartin says, "There are so many denominations in the school and so many different interpretations, I don't believe you can emphasize religion in groups like that."



J. L. Hutchinson

"Gambling - its effects and results on the individual, and whether or not it grows on the person was the topic discussed in the J. L. Hutchinson chapter of the Hi-Y, Jan. 8. This discussion, a continuance from the Jan. 1 meeting, was led by Bob Briggs who pointed out the sources and harm of petty gambling."

The Feb. 15 meeting will be a World Brotherhood program led by Davis.

(Jimmie Welch) Because social problems are being brought more and more to the public attention, Bob Friggeri led the Jimmie Welch chapter of the Hi-Y, Feb. 8, in

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The emphasizing of religion is more the duty of the home and parents." James Young suggests, "More emphasis should be placed on the kind of morning devotionals that are held on Monday morning, with emphasis just on the principals of prayer and goodness."

Lois Williamson offers an interesting angle, "Religion should have more emphasis right in the classes. When the lesson can be connected with religion, the teacher should point out those things as much as possible without giving any special emphasis to any one interpretation."

George Pyle, an officer in the Hi-Y, asserts, "I think the study of the Bible should be emphasized more. In the Hi-Y meetings we take one verse and study it, but that is not widespread enough. There should be some regular study of the Bible. People always praise the Bible for being the best seller and the best book, but do they read it much?"

Harvey Gohr offers his opinion, "I realize the difficulties of emphasizing religion because of the many different beliefs; but I can't see why, in this age of open mindedness, there couldn't be a study of religion from all points of view. Establish a study group to learn every denomination's angle."

Another view is expressed by Jack Delamaide, "We have home room devotions. Hi-Y and Girl Reserves, which all stress religion. I think those things are plenty. If each one's program is carried out, then religion is stressed enough."

a discussion on the underprivileged classes of India.

The living conditions and wages of those of the sharecroppers in the United States and the boys discuss a States and the boys discussed a remedy for the situation. The Feb. 15 meeting will be a bible study group led by John Phillips.

(Bunny Carlson) Harlan Peterson lead a Bible Study group on "Life Work" in the Bunny Carlson chapter of the Hi-Y, Jan. 8. Plans for the Jan. 15 meeting will be discussed at the cabinet meeting Monday, Feb. 12.

(B. V. Edworthy) Don German and Kenneth Hunt told of their experiences last summer at Camp Wood in the Hi-Y meeting Feb. 8. Plans for Feb. 15 meeting have not been made.

(Joe Dance) Waldo Selburg was in charge of the Service program Feb. 8. A personality questionnaire was held. The Feb. 15 meeting has not yet been planned.

Mr. Collie has a name for the new paint on the lockers. It's "faded a la mud." Nice work!

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Germ - Killing As You Wait

Kissing kills germs!!! This is the theory of Doctor S. L. Katzoff and probably of many students.

Facing a 60-day ban on kissing at the University of California as an anti-influenza measure, the Berkeley, California students found a medical man, Dr. S. L. Katzoff, who gave them solace.

"Heat is the best antiseptic. A normal kiss kills germs on the same principal," he explained.

While two students experiment the sizzling act, Katzoff listens to their hearts. It is his opinion that the heart will flutter if the kiss is good.

In the eyes of the students, some may think the Doc is "nuts," but others may put into practical use the song, "I must have one more kiss, kiss, kiss, before we say good night!"

SCIENCE NOTES

By Kenneth Hunt

According to the latest bulletin from science conventions here are some of the latest devices for the good or bad of humanity.

Large rockets that carry explosives are being developed to be used in war. (nice thought). These rockets work by the principle of recoil; the combination of fuel under pressure drives gas particles to the rear of the rocket and sends it on its way. The inventor has his hopes and interests in carrying scientific apparatus up to high altitude but our alert militaryists have used it in a way to kill humanity instead of benefiting the way the inventor wanted it to be.

The army has investigated the possibilities of rockets for war and have said the launching tubes would cost about 1% of the cost of a regular cannon and will weigh much less and still be more effective.

You may have noticed in this column or other places an article about a death ray. Well, the inventor has made a slip in his explanation of his machine and said the secret lies in the field of unexplored frequency bands of X-rays, and there are no unexplored X-rays according to the belief of prominent scientists.

Anything to see what the people have written is the motto of the French. Now the censors are using infra-red light rays to read the letters of the people without opening them. Well, anyway it is an idea.

There are several things that the people have been led to believe about snakes and are proved to be false.

1. No snake can milk a cow.
 2. Bull snakes do not always kill rattlesnakes.
 3. Large snakes do not eat their young to prevent them from being attacked.
 4. No snake can out run a race horse.
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- Well the time has come for us to stop and if you don't get to read this, it didn't get printed, and I still think it should have.

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Society Calendar

Friday, Feb. 9—American Legion Auxiliary
Monday, Feb. 12—De Moly Dance -- Eagle's Hall -- 9 til 12.
Debonaire Club -- Marjorie Hubbard -- 7:30.
Twelve-til -- June Lowe -- 7:30.
Tuesday, Feb. 13—Maid's of Mary.
Wednesday, Feb. 14—Private dance, Dorothy Anderson & Pauline Elias
Bee Hive Annex
"36" Club valentine party
De Moly Meeting -- Masonic Temple -- 7:30.
Thursday, Feb. 15—Speech Dinner
Friday, Feb. 16—Epworth League Box Supper-- M. E. Church--5:30
Saturday, Feb. 17—Private dance, Colin Barkell & Mae French -- Besse Hotel
Sunday, Feb. 18—Sub Deb formal dinner-dance -- Besse Hotel
A "Sadie Hawkins Dance" was given last Friday night in the Roosevelt gymnasium following the basketball game. Columbus students were guests. Hutchie's Hot-shots furnished the music.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Proctor announce the birth of a daughter, Margaret Mary, Feb. 3.

Charles Davis entertained a group of debaters at his home Thursday night, Feb. 1. Time was spent discussing debate. Light refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mr. Tewel, Margaret Agnes Naylor, Georgeanne Switzer, Jane Pratt, Naida Chandler, Bob Akey, Jim Marchbanks, Phil Norman, Albert Hopper, and the host.

Vocation and hobbies have been the general topic of discussion in Mr. Briggs' home room for this year. As a part of this program, Betty Peterson gave a talk Tuesday on being a laboratory technician. Harlan Peterson led a discussion on Finland, Wednesday.

"The Problems of the Worker" have become the problem of the Economics classes this week. They have just finished a unit on Business.

Enlarge Own Pictures

The photography club discussed the art of enlarging in their meeting last night. The members brought their own negatives for enlargements. There were a number of enlargers used. The members are buying the paper needed from Charles Davis.

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dinner-dance at the Bee Hive Annex, Wednesday night, Feb. 7. Members and their guests were: June Mardell Lowe, Colin Barkell, Mardell Mangrum, Paul Ressler, Naida Chandler, Leslie Baxter, Ida Louise Rush, Lacy Kent, Barbara Williams, Ed Tims, Lois Mae Williamson, Jack Cremer, Louise Pyle, Herman Brinkman, Wilma Jean Dean, Jack Barber, Margaret Agnes Naylor, Fred Radcliff, Madlyn Osterfelt, Jimmy Myers, Joyce Henney, Wilfred Morin.

Queen Esthers Meet

The Queen Esthers met last Monday evening at Margaret Agnes Naylor's. A covered dish supper was served. Margaret Nail led devotions. Betty Jo Latty led a discussion on the American Indians and Mardell Mangrum led a discussion on the Chinese and the Japanese conditions on our West coast.

Sub Deb Plans

The Sub Deb Club met Monday night at Harriet McCollister's. Plans were made for a formal Sunday night dinner-dance to be given Feb. 18 for the members and their dates. A gingham dance to be given sometime in March was discussed. A cold lunch was served.

Members present were: Betty Payne, Betty Forrester, Irene Bennett, Georgeanne Switzer, Rosemary Cowan, Shirley Ainsworth, Zoe Wilma Baede, and the hostess.

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The Chanute Comets will be out for revenge when they journey to Pittsburg tonight for a basketball game with the pace-setting Pittsburg Dragons on the Roosevelt Court.

In a game earlier this year on the Chanute Court, Pittsburg defeated Chanute by a score of 18-11. Last year Pittsburg won, 31-16 on the Lakeside Court. So far this year Pittsburg is tied for first place with seven wins and two defeats while Chanute is third from the cellar with two wins and five defeats.

The game earlier this year was a rough one with Lance and Broadhurst of Pittsburg and Colaw and Frear of Chanute going out on fouls. Last year Pittsburg won the SEK championship while Chanute came out next to the last place.

Poland was high scorer in the game earlier this year. He made three field goals and one free throw. Broadhurst, leading scorer of the purple quintet, was held to one field goal and two free throws. In this game, Chanute made but one field goal during the whole game. Johnson, center, made this.

The Probable Starting Line-Ups

Pittsburg	Chanute
Ryan	Colaw
Wells	Frear
Poland	Johnson
Broadhurst	Childers
Lance	Reagle

Petunias Drop Fast One To Columbus Sophies

Both teams playing fast and rough, the Columbus Sophomores team defeated the Pittsburg Petunias 31-19 on the home court last Friday evening.

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Junior Division

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Kotur	2	0	1.000
Minnick	1	1	.500
Gregg	1	1	.500
Rose	1	1	.500
Pelphrey	1	1	.500
Van Gordon	0	2	.000

Sophomore Division

	W	L	Pct.
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Thomas	1	0	1.000
Vietti	1	0	1.000
Esch	1	0	1.000
Postai	0	1	.000
Delamaide	0	1	.000
Gray	0	1	.000
Wheeler	0	1	.000

Defensive Battle Won By Dragons In Last Minutes

The Pittsburg Dragons emerged victorious over the Columbus Titans in a close tussel on the Roosevelt Court last Friday night by a score of 15-14. The teams yielded the lead to each other at frequent intervals all through the game.

Columbus took the lead at the first of the game when Earl Robinson sank a free one. There were numerous attempts by Pittsburg but no field goals were made until James Wells shot one from the side to give Pittsburg a one point margin. A free one by Broadhurst made the score 3-1 in favor of Pittsburg as the first period ended.

Score Six All At Half

In the early part of the second period Broadhurst sank a long one for Pittsburg's only field goal in this period. Between then, Jack and Earl Robinson sank three free ones. Broadhurst made another free throw to give Pittsburg a two point margin but they didn't hold it long. Rhoads made a set up to tie the score, 6-6, as the first half ended.

The third period was well under way

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Another Angle---

BY BILL GRAUE

Last Friday night I saw something that I thought I would never see. Columbus and Pittsburg have been bitter rivals for a long time and more than once the favored team has lost to the underdog because of the rivalry between them. As you all know the game ended in a 15-14 victory for Pittsburg and after the game there was an all school dance to which Columbus was invited. The dance was a great success and both P.H.S. and Columbus students took part in it. Before they left all the Columbus students gathered and gave a rousing cheer of thanks for the dance. The cheer was followed with a lusty "You're Welcome Columbus" from P.H.S. students. Congratulations to both schools for displaying such fine sportsmanship.

I can't quite agree with Jim Robinson of Columbus who says that Coffeyville's Ellis is the best guard in the SEK league. I wonder what he thinks about Ray Lance? In case he has forgotten I'll remind him that Doran Myers scored only one point against the Dragons. Deny that Columbus.

Let's take a look into the future and see what the Dragons will have next year. Broadhurst, Lance, Poland, Wells, Gold, and Walker will be lost by graduation. How does this sound for next year's team. Ryan and Seibert, forwards; Waltz, center; Peterson and Ozbun, guards. They will also have some good material in this year's sophomore team to choose from. George Pogson, junior, has been showing up well in practice also.

Last year the Booster sponsored an all-star SEK team, chosen by sport's editors of the SEK schools. This year the Booster is going to repeat and again sponsor an SEK all-star team, so you sport's editors keep an eagle eye on all the stars and when the season ends you will receive a ballot for your selections of an all-star team.

Johnny Slavin, former high school student, once again is representing Pittsburg in the Golden Gloves Tournament at Kansas City. Millard McMurray, another former PHS'er was outpointed in the finals last week. Arnold Boisdrenghin of PHS was disqualified in the semi-finals when he lost to Paul Fickes of Columbus.

Once again we gaze into our crystal ball and attempt to name the winners in tonight's games. Coffeyville will invade Parsons this week for a tilt that promises to be the week's most interesting game. We had a hard time deciding the probable winner here, but finally chose Coffeyville. This is one game I hope I miss on.

Columbus will try to hit the comeback trail tonight at Iola. The Titans should have little trouble in beating the last place Iola club.

At Independence tonight the improved Bulldogs meet the strong Tigers of Fort Scott. Our choice in this battle is Fort Scott, but don't expect a romp.

The locals will meet the Chanute Comets in the R. J. H. S. Aud. to-night and are favored to repeat over the Comets. We hope that this is one game that won't be won by one point. Many more of those one point thrillers and we'll probably have a nervous breakdown.

before Myers made a free one to give Columbus a one-point margin. Broadhurst shot a long, one-handed shot to put Pittsburg in the lead again but Woodard took the lead away from them again when he sank a long shot from in front of the basket. Ryan sank a free throw to tie the score, 9-9 at the end of the third period.

Ryan Shoots Winning Basket

At the start of the last period Broadhurst and Poland each sank a free one. J. Robinson shot a long one to tie the score. Columbus took the lead again when Rhoads sank two free ones. They held this lead until Jack Broadhurst shot one from the side. Jack Robinson made a free throw to give Columbus a one-point margin which they held until the last minute of play when Francis Ryan made a long shot from the side of the court to give Pittsburg a one-point margin. They held this lead to make the score 15-14 in favor of Pittsburg at the end of the game.

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SPORTS MIRROR

One Year Ago--Taking the highest remaining hurdle in full stride, the Purple Dragons virtually clinched the first place rank in the SEK League as they set the Parsons Vikings back on their heels 32-20 last Friday night in the Lakeside gymnasium.

The Pittsburg Faculty Tomcats won a hard fought game from the faculty of Columbus high school Monday night, 39 to 38.

Three Years Ago--Pittsburg and Joplin fans witnessed a thrilling exhibition of basketball in the Memorial building at Joplin last Tuesday night where two evenly matched teams met, with the determined Red and Green of Joplin nosing the Pittsburg high Dragons, 28-26, after they stopped a last quarter attack.

Five Years Ago--After beating their Missouri rivals in a basketball game several weeks ago on the Lakeside court, the Dragons invaded Joplin Friday night to squash the Red and Green in a 31-13 return tilt.

HALL HOLDS LEAD IN SEK SCORING

Dale Hall managed to hold to the lead in the SEK race this week with an average of 16.8 points. His closest rival was Floyd Chronister, Coffeyville center, who raised his average from 9.1 to 11.3 points and moved up from fourth to second in the leading scorers. Doran Myers, Columbus forward, dropped from second to third place as his average fell from 12.1 to 10.9 points. In fourth place was Jack Broadhurst whose average is 9.5 points.

Parsons, Coffeyville, Pittsburg, Chanute, and Fort Scott each have two representatives who are leading scorers. Columbus and Independence have one each and Iola none.

The Scoring:

	G	FG	FT	TP	Ave
*Hall, Parsons	9	63	25	151	16.8
*F Chronister, Cof	9	45	12	102	10.3
Myers, Columbus	9	39	17	95	10.9
Broadhurst, Pitt	9	27	12	86	9.5
Colaw, Chanute	6	22	14	58	8.2
Frear, Chanute	7	22	12	56	8.0
Standlay, Ft Scott	8	25	11	61	7.6
*Ellis, Cof	9	25	18	68	7.5
Sims, Ind	8	20	10	50	6.2
Poland, Pitt	7	16	9	41	5.9
*H. Delongy, Par	9	23	7	53	5.9
Crane, Ft. Scott	8	21	3	45	5.6

Game This Week

Feb. 9--Coffeyville at Parsons

Chanute at Pittsburg

Columbus at Independence

Feb. 10--Columbus at Chanute

Wichita Cathedral at Coffeyville*

Feb. 13--Fort Scott at Iola

Pittsburg at Independence

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Feb. 15--Parsons at Chanute

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Purple In Tie For First Place With Tornados

The center of attraction this week is at Coffeyville, where the Parsons Vikings meet the Coffeyville Tornado tonight. If Coffeyville loses the game and Pittsburg wins against Chanute, the Dragons will have an undisputed lead in the SEK league.