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## Turner Captures Fourth Place In SEK Meet

Fred Turner won fourth place in individual scoring, out of a field of forty nine players, in the SEK golf tournament held at Independence, Saturday April 27, Turner and Leland Kirk combined to make a two man team and topped third place in that division. Robley, Independence star, shot a 153 on thirty-six holes to win first place and Turner was only four strokes above him with a 157.

The meet was won by Independence for the twelfth straight year. It is an annual affair and is always held at second in winning honors with Pittsburg next followed by Chanute. There were only four towns represented but Independence and Coffeyville had four teams apiece present. The course at Independence has a reputation for being one of the most difficult in the state.

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## Candid Commentary

### Anniversary Edition

Up at the top of the page this week, it says number 29. That means that today is the next to the last Booster of the year. We will skip next Friday, and on the following Tuesday, we will put out the last paper, the Anniversary Edition. We believe that that edition will be a fitting climax to our year's work and to twenty-five years of work. It will contain twelve pages of stories about all kinds of events that have happened in this school in the last twenty-five years. We believe it is the biggest Booster ever published and it has really taken some work. The printers have even been working on Saturdays to complete it. So stand by for the Anniversary Edition on May 14.

### War Shy

Last September, when we first started writing editorials and columns, the second World War started in Europe. That doesn't seem like such a long time ago, but think of the things that have happened since then. At first it was said that if the war lasted until Christmas, we would be in it. As we remember it, we never did get into that war at Christmas time. We sort of have the feeling that the people of the United States are more determined now to stay out than they were in September. Candid Commentary has believed and will stick by its belief that the people of this country learned enough in the last war and aren't going back for more this time.

### Political Palaver

We're looking forward to this summer with a great deal of enthusiasm because of the political campaigns that are going to develop. So far, there have just been feelers put out, but it won't be long now until the real guns start booming. On the Republican side, Mr. Dewey seems to have the inside track at this time, but the party leaders evidently don't like him. Their talk now is of a dark horse to take the nomination.

Of course our candidate would be Taft of Ohio. We see in him the ideal man for the tough sledding of the next four years. On the Democratic side of the fence, it is becoming more and more evident that Mr. Roosevelt can have the nomination if he wants it. The question there seems to be if we will want the darned thing. At any rate it is evident that the great American show is about to begin.

## Calendar Of Events

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**SATURDAY:**  
S. E. K. Track Meet, Coffeyville  
High School Faculty Picnic  
**MONDAY:**  
Allied Youth, noon  
**TUESDAY:**  
City Teachers Banquet  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Forum Club, noon  
**THURSDAY:**  
Girl Reserve Installation  
Hi-Y in groups  
**FRIDAY:**  
Four One-Act Plays, night  
**SATURDAY:**  
Regional Track Meet, Pittsburg  
**TUESDAY:**  
Anniversary Edition

## Birthday Issue To Finish Year

The pictorial anniversary edition of the Booster commemorating twenty-five years of publication will be issued Tuesday, May 14 and given to all PHS students, according to a recent statement made by Alvin H. Proctor, advisor. No paper will be published May 10, the usual date of issue.

Beside the usual four pages of news the whole issue of at least 12 pages will feature a survey of PHS news and events for the past twenty-five years with pages devoted to society, sports, departments and clubs, and general news.

Pictures will be featured throughout the issue with three pages given almost entirely over to illustrations. There will be pictorial pages on sports events, news happenings during the current school-year, and past news events.

There will be a special page concerning pictures and news of society events in high school during the years, and a page for the various departments and clubs that have grown up in PHS.

Descriptions and short stories about former PHS students who are now business men and well-known citizens will be a special feature, and there will be pictures and articles showing the development of different classes.

## Glee Club, Band To Kansas City Next Week-end

The Boys' Glee Club, the band and several soloists will go to Kansas City next Friday and Saturday for the national contest to be held there at that time.

The Glee Club and the soloists will go up Friday morning on the bus and in private cars and return that night. Saturday, the band will make the trip. Mr. Carney, music instructor, will accompany the group.

The soloists going are Mac French, tenor, and Donald Schwab, horn. The Woodwind quintet will also enter the contest.

The chance to enter the national contest when the groups were recommended by judges at the Chanute contest in addition to receiving ratings of highly superior. This qualified them to enter the Kansas City contest.

Mac and Donald are well-known soloists in the high school. Mac went to a contest in Colorado Springs, Colorado last year where he received superior rating. The woodwind quintet is a new organization and is made up of George Pyle, flute; H. B. Cheyne, bassoon; Jay Rennick, oboe, and Harvey, Lanier, clarinet; Edwin Payne, French horn.

### DEFEAT FORT SCOTT GOLFERS

The Dragons Golf Team won a dual match from Fort Scott yesterday on the enemy field, 20 to 4. Fred Turner and Eugene Vietti of Pittsburg tied for low medalist honors, each shooting a 79. Out of six matches the local team captured five. Turner beat Yerkes 4 to 0; Vietti beat Aydtottle 4 to 0; Hale beat L. Kirk 0 to 4; Thogmartin beat Thompson 4 to 0; F. Kirk beat Swasord 4 to 0; M. Edwards beat Amnot 4 to 0.

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## Under Classmen Begin Enrolling For Next Year

"We hope the students will be prompt and careful to study their needs and keep enrollments within recommendations," asserted Principal J. L. Hutchinson in connection with the enrollment that is now being carried through by the sophomores and juniors. In order to meet standard requirements, it is necessary that each student have (17) units in order to graduate. In general or classical course, (12) units must be from the academic group.

Homeroom teachers are assisting the students in this work as well as the various class sponsors; for the sophomores, Miss Jessie Bailey and Mr. Clyde Hartford; juniors, Mr. Ellsworth Briggs and Miss Anna Fintel; and seniors, Miss Maude Laney and Mr. Willard Thorpe.

One hour of journalism is being offered as an elective to next years juniors in addition to present subjects. This course will be a beginning class in journalism, stressing the writing of leads, speech stories, and feature stories as well as proofreading, and learning the principles of selling ads, according to Mr. Alvin Proctor, journalism instructor.

Two hours are necessary for the senior class, one being for learning advanced principles of editing and business management and the other devoted to actual work on Booster assignments. Each of these classes will be worth a full unit of credit.

The course in mathematics will not be changed by next year since the incoming sophomores will not have had the new "practical mathematics" which will be taught to next year freshmen. When the change is completely effected elementary algebra will be offered to sophomores; plane geometry to juniors; and one-half year each of advanced algebra and solid geometry to seniors, as stated by principal-elect, Finnis M. Green.

The majors being offered in the art course will include the various elements necessary in both beginning and advanced work.

Enrollment in the vocational subjects will continue much the same, except for the new requirement that sophomores finish their half year of the work left from junior high school.

"I feel that the present machinery set up for the enrollment is quite efficient and would like to see it continue to operate in its present manner," concluded Mr. Green.

## Serving Classes Entertain Board of Education

Members of the Board of Education and their wives were guests at the annual banquet given them by Miss Leeka's serving class Thursday evening at 6:30.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hutchinson and the members of the board and their wives. This is an annual affair for the purpose of giving the girls taking the serving course experience in the line. The banquet is given in the Home Economics dining room with the menu and color scheme planned by the girls. This year the girls chose yellow and pink to be the color scheme.

## Coming Out Party, "Mothers!"

"No, it must be rotten. Well, anyway, there's a hole in my dress." Not one but lots of holes, little tiny holes were scattered through — shall we call her Susie — Susie's dress. She didn't know it but they were getting bigger. At last one of Susie's friend stopped her.

"Susie, not that it makes any difference, but the back of your dress is gone."

"Honest! Gee, I thought it was moths or something but I guess it must be that acid I rubbed on my dress in chemistry when I was drying my hands!"

And then echoing and re-echoing through the halls of P. H. S. came a shout, "bring me a barrel!"

## Kenna Shows Color Film

Dr. Alpha H. Kenna showed three reels of colored movie pictures which were during his recent trip into Europe. Before the pictures, he spoke for a few minutes, giving a background for the events.

The trip went through the southern part of Europe with pictures from Russia, Turkey, Greece, and Palestine. In addition there were several pictures of the Mediterranean sea.

The film has been shown to several civic clubs in Pittsburg. It is entirely in color and gives a good picture of the people of Southern Europe and Asia Minor.

## Williams Heads G. R. For Next Year

Charleen Williams was elected president of the Girl Reserves at a meeting held Wednesday, May 1. The other officers are vice president, Sammy Lou Heaton; secretary, Lauraetta Ashline; treasurer, Nancy Soper; social chairman, Zoe Wilma Baade; service chairman, Joan Higgins; publicity chairman, Tolly Keck; devotional chairman, Virginia Plagens; Laurel Ellsworth, retiring president, will install the new officers, May 16.

The retiring cabinet is: president, Laurel Ellsworth, retiring president, Anita Ray; program chairman, Ida Louise Rush; social chairman, Barbara Williams; service chairman, Naida Chandler; secretary, Mary Huffman; publicity chairman, Mardell Mangrum; devotional chairman, Charlene Williams; music chairman, Charlotte Sparks; pianist, Zoe Wilma Baade. "Our old cabinet has been worthy of their offices and has fulfilled the Girl Reserve code to the greatest extent. They have always been ready for service and willing to do that which was required of them," declared Miss Gable.

## New Forum Officers Take Over Duties

The newly elected officers of the Forum Club preside at its regular meeting Wednesday noon, May 1, at which time the topic, "Possible Presidential Candidates," was discussed.

The new officers: president, Jane Pratt, vice president, Don Marchbanks, and secretary-treasurer, Georgeanne Switzer were elected April 20.

Jane, who is a junior, has been quite active in PHS during her two year here. This year she was elected junior class vice-president, had a lead in the junior play, "Spring Fever," and was on the first team in debate. Both this year and last, Jane was a member of the Girl Reserves and entered the scholarship contest, in which she won third both years. She came to PHS from Roosevelt Junior High.

Don, a junior was recently elected president of the Kansas Junior Academy of Science. He is a member of the Photography Club, Hi-Y and the Boy's Glee Club, and he came to PHS from Lakeside Junior High.

Georgeanne, also a junior, has the job of keeping the books. Having come to PHS from Roosevelt Junior High, she soon became active in PHS activities. She is junior class treasurer, a member of the Junior Academy of Science, social chairman of Miss Leeka's homeroom, and a member of the first debate team. She, also, has entered the Scholarship Contest two years.

## Will Hear Rev. Workman

Hi-Y and Girl Reserve members and other high school students have been invited to attend the dinner and meeting of the Men's Brotherhood of the First Methodist church next Thursday night, when Rev. James Workman, of Fayetteville, Ark., is to be the main speaker.

Rev. Workman, considered a popular speaker to young people's groups, spoke here last year at similar meeting. Tickets will be 35 cents.

Those who do not care to attend the dinner may hear Rev. Workman anyway. His topic will be "Frontiers of Youth Today." Several awards are to be presented.

## P.H.S. Musicians Compete in Annual Instrumental, Vocal Festival at KSTC

Soloists, clarinet quartets, orchestra, girls glee club and mixed chorus were at the College Wednesday and Friday competing in the annual Music Festival.

Wednesday was the day for the soloists and quartets. Those who participated are Evelyn Massmann, piano; Helen Otto, viola; Bob Rose, cello; H. B. Cheyne, bassoon; Harvey Lanier, clarinet; Bob Briggs, cornet; Jerome Degen, trombone; Bruce Washburn, tuba; D. W. Cheek, drum; George Pogson, drum major.

Vocal soloists were Donald Patrick, tenor; Bob Akey, baritone; Jim Marchbanks, bass; Marjorie Wheeler, soprano; Charlotte Sparks, soprano; and Doris Hromek, alto. The clarinet quartet was composed of Harvey Lanier, Jack Barber, Bob Friggeri, and Frank Freeto.

Friday morning the Girl's Glee Club sang "On the Steps," by Gretchenin-off, and the mixed chorus sang, "Listen to the Lambs," by Deta. All vocal numbers were given in the Music Hall.

In Carney hall Friday afternoon, the orchestra played "The Unfinished Symphony," by Schubert, and "Concerto," by Gregg, with Evelyn Massmann as piano soloist. Each entrant received a rating of either highly superior, superior, excellent, good, fair.

Mac French, tenor, Donald Schwab, french horn, the band, and Boy's Glee Club were unable to enter as they are entering the National Contest at Kansas City, Mo.

Tonight there will be an orchestra contest by a selected group of high school students, under the direction of Edgar Gordon of Wisconsin, University. Twenty members of the PHS orchestra have been chosen to play. Forty-six members of the glee clubs are in the Selected Chorus.

## Will Present Plays Thursday

Four one-act plays will be presented Thursday, May 16, at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium under the direction of Mr. Dan Tewell, speech and dramatics instructor. The students who take part in the plays are chosen from the dramatics classes.

In the group of four plays are "The Man With the Bolwen Hata," "Last Flight Over," "Jungle Fantasy," and "When Stars Fall." In addition to these plays several features will be offered to complete the evening's fun.

In the play, "When Stars Fall," are Margaret Agnes Naylor, Shirley Ann Gay, Barbara Williams, Jack Collins, Jack Cox, Walter Smith, Bob Massmann, and Vaudine Ridenour. "The Man With the Bowler Hat" has as its cast; Al McClure, Margaret McCoy, Naida Chandler, Gene Coppedge, Bill Griffith, Eugene Vietti, and Charles Davis.

In "Last Flight Over" are Jane Pratt, Jack Collins, Tolly Keck, Gene Coppedge, and Jimmy Rupard. "Jungle Fantasy" boasts a three man cast of Al McClure, Billy Al Hazen, and Bill Griffith. The price for the evening's entertainment will be ten and fifteen cents. The proceeds will be used to pay for a microphone.

## Senior Play Wins Applause From Large Audience

Adding another feather to their cap, the Senior Class presented the play, "Growing Pains," last Friday night to a responsive audience. A large crowd and spontaneous applause indicated the popularity of the cast and the play.

The play dealt with the problems of the adolescent, with "George" and "Terry McIntyre" in the principle roles. Bill Graue and Shirley Ann Gay portrayed these parts, with Harvey Lanier and Charlotte Sparks giving full support as "Prof. and Mrs. McIntyre."

Another character in the play, "Prudence Darling," the eighteen-year-old vamp, with whom George falls in love, was played by Naida Chandler. Charles Davis, in the role of "Brian," Al McClure, as "Dutch," and Naida June Brannum, as "Patty," Dutch's steady, all played their parts to perfection. Others in the cast the same age as "Terry" and "George" were Madlyn Osterfelt, Jack Cox, Lorene Blacett, Gene Coppedge, Max Yeske, and Margaret McCoy.

The part of the traffic officer was taken by Bill Griffith, that of the maid by Marjorie Parr, and of a neighbor by Elwanda Buxton. Barbara Williams took the heart of the audience when she played the role of the homely, timid, little "Elsie Patterson."

## Harvey Lanier Tells Experiences In KU Scholarship Test

"Tell me something I don't know about six-toed people." Thus Harvey Lanier, Summerfield Scholarship contestant for a four year scholarship at K.U., began his final examination at Kansas University April 22, 23.

The thirty two contestants from whom twelve winners will be selected were divided into six groups of five members each and interviewed by seven members of the faculty committee during the first days examination. Six-toed and six-fingered people, co-operatives, the European situation, and many other widely varied subjects were discussed by the contestants and the boys attended a banquet in a new Union Building. Resident scholars spoke on varied subjects.

From 8:30 to 11 that morning, the contestants took a general knowledge test of fifty questions. Typical of these queries are: "which end of the Panama Canal is farther East; what animals besides birds have feathers and fly; how would you vote when you are away from home; and what section of the United States has the most rainfall."

That afternoon, starting at 1:30, the scholarship contestants were required to write twelve themes on such subjects as "The Decline of the Birth-rate is Causing a Civilization of Old People," "Present Day Morals Among High School Students," and "Picture of World Conditions Ten Years Hence." If Germany and National Socialism Become the Conquering Power of Europe. This composition test was concluded at five o'clock at which time the boys were free to return to their homes.

Tests Are Valuable Experience Besides representing the school in the Summerfield tests, Harvey Lanier is at present Student Council president, secretary of the Bunny Carlson Hi-Y Chapter, and a member of the Form Club and Allied Youth. He recently had the character lead of Prof. McIntyre in the senior play, "Growing Pains," received award of highly superior in clarinet at Chanute, and superior in oration.

"This test and the preliminary tests give you a good idea of what you don't know and give you a good basis for improvement. The experience in disciplining your mind during tests is invaluable," stated Harvey in discussing the merits and other similar tests. Dean Dalton '35' was the last PHS student to be awarded a scholarship in this test.



# We Think

## The World Becomes Cynical After World War

**P**aul Elliot says in the "Advertiser" that "a neutral is a country that takes neither side; it just sits back and waits to see which will take it." And in that statement, there is more truth than poetry. In the decade that immediately followed the World War, treaty after treaty was signed between the great powers on the subject of international morality.

In Geneva, Switzerland and in The Hague in the Netherlands lay the hope of the common people of the world. Hope because they were tired of war and wanted peace. Hope because they no longer hated their neighbor, but were ready to work with one another to form a better world to live in. Idealism was the theme of the times.

But in the early part of the next decade, the thirties, things began to change. The people of Germany were destitute, and their government was not functioning like it should. A world wide depression had struck, the worst yet. To alleviate the pain, dictators sprang up. The League of Nations and the World Court did not work as they had. Darkness began to creep over the world. Idealism vanished. In its place grew up a deep cynicism for all things valued by men.

The philosophy has grown up in the that might makes right. Consequently, the small nations of the world are no longer secure in their rights. It is over that for one thing, that the present war is being fought, and many more selfish reasons.

This cynical attitude has crept into every part of our living. It colors our thinking, and it is dangerous, for it is defeatism. Defeatism is one thing we must not have in these times. So it is with a fervent hope that we look to the future, a hope for more right and idealism.

## Betty Bess Booster Celebrates Her Silver Anniversary

**B**e-decked with gay-colored ribbons, flying "page-boy" locks, a black and white gingham outfit, and accessories to match, Betty Bess Booster will soon invite you to be present at her birthday party which is to be the "too, too" biggest event of the year.

Since we want to surprise you, we won't tell you all about the people, the pictures, the stories and all the rest that's ready to "meet up" with you in the next-the last glorious issue of your school paper this year.

We're just dying to shout this news around the town, over all the back fences and doorsteps, but that would never, never do. (Not yet!) Just wait until you see the edition celebrating the Silver (25 years to you) Anniversary of the Booster's founding, then you'll REALLY understand!

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## Music

### PHS Musicians Repeat Years' Other Successes At College Contest

This week, PHS musicians again went to battle.....this time to the KSTC high school music contests, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. For all those interested in music, whether as a musician or just a listener, this festival offered some very worthwhile opportunities.

Besides two concerts featuring adult musicians Monday and Tuesday nights, there were concerts by all-high school organizations Thursday and Friday nights. Thursday evening, Noble Cain, the noted composer, presented in concert a chorus of selected singers from the various high schools, represented in the contest. Friday night an orchestra of selected players was conducted in a concert by Edgar Gordon, an outstanding American music educator.

Far more enjoyable however, was the performance by the Pittsburg High School orchestra of the "Concerto in A Minor" for piano and orchestra by E. Greig.

Evelyn Massmann did a beautiful job in this selection. The grouchy grouch couldn't help but enjoy this enchanting minor melody the way Evelyn interprets and plays. Someday I'll wager this theme will be adapted into a popular song. Its melody compares with some of the prettiest we have today.

Among the soloists at the contest this week was D. W. Cheek, drum expert. The drum, although just a common noise, is a necessary one to an orchestra or band. This instrument, rarely used for solo work without some ensemble background, is difficult to feature as a concert soloist.

The rudiment, which is the basis of drum playing is the main judging point at the contest. The Chanute judge didn't think much of Cheek's rudiments but he made fine showing here at the College.

## Borrowed Bits

Mermaids, seaweed, and octopuses will mingle with deep sea divers and Davy Jones, April 29, when the Beaux Arts Ball carries out its sea theme. Three prizes will be awarded to the best-costumed persons. The judges will base their decisions upon uniqueness and originality of the costume.

"The Bulletin"—Teachers College, Emporia, Kans.

Psychological examinations were given Wednesday morning, April 10, to seniors who indicated on the record "Guide to Plans After Graduation" that they planned to enter college in the fall or at some future time. This type of test had never before been offered to high school seniors and it was desirable that they be given the opportunity of taking the test before graduation. The results of the test will set the scholarship standing of the pupil in high school or in college.

"The Arsenal Cannon"—Indianapolis, Ind.

In Colorado Springs High School, each year's graduating class returns to their childhood days. They dress as they did several years ago and spend the day just playing. The festivities close with a dance, and thus ends the day of rest.

The night of nights—your best formal—your most alluring perfume—a date with the captain of the football team—his corsage—happily riding in his two stater-breathless expectancy thinking of the first dance—arriving at the Mailla—on the dance floor at last—muscular arms that feel like steel—a crack of leaves as he grips your hand—profuse apologies—feet like gunboats crush down on your dainty ones—more apologies—heart breaking rip as a misplaced foot lands on your hem—collisions with other dancing couples—four hours of this—home at last—thank heavens! Athletes as dancers? NUTS.....

"Central Outlook"—St. Joseph, Mo.

Found in the "Jeff oBooster," Lafayette, Indiana:

The latest fad in Miami, Florida, is "Splinterbug dancing." In this form of dancing, the feet-thrill seekers simply take off their shoes and stockings and proceed to "get in the groove" to the rhythm of a Cuban conga. The fad is only in Miami at present, but beware you "jitterbugs," it may not be long until you will all be "splinterbugs."

## WANT ADS

**FOUND** By Marvin Edwards. A new species of lovebug. The bug having bitten him, he is now suffering the consequences. Louise Pyle is the object of his affections.

**DISCOVERED** By Miss Laney. Note written by a French pupil. Have any of you French scholars lost one? Call at Miss Laney's room any time before now.

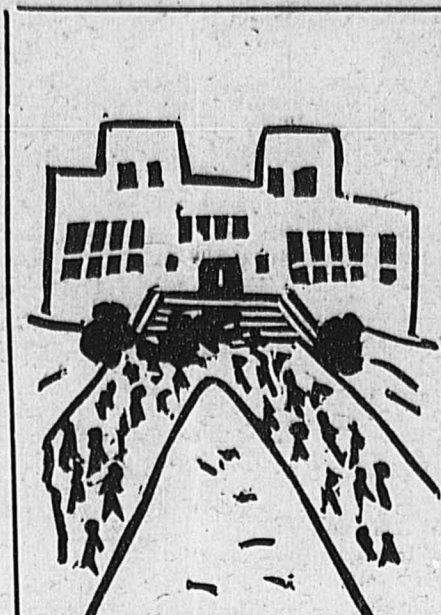
**WANTED** Just one note—printable—from Don Kuebler to Nellie Jo Tharrington. They say they are just too too.

**I WANT** Some extra greasy hair oil and a diamond tie pin—I'M gonna be a GLAMOUR BOY. —Warren Bottenfield.

**PERSONAL** J. M. L. —You'd better slow down or you'll wear out before you GROW UP. —A. F.

## THE NEWS IN CARTOON

—Mary Lois Smith,



All the underclassmen are being enrolled now for next year so that after these seniors are gone, happy voices will still ring out.



Remember that hail storm. Well, that day the council was going to dedicate a tree to Mr. Rose. The event was hailed over.



There's so many kids spilling acid on themselves in Chemistry that the barrel business is thriving. (Even we don't like that one.)

## Prattle

By Jane Pratt

(Editor's note -- Feeling it would be a good thing to get some "new blood" in the Booster, we asked Jane Pratt to contribute a column this week.)

According to noted columnists of the past, the most logical way to provide readers for a newspaper column is to arouse a searching curiosity. This can be done in one of two ways, either by writing so many things that you are destined to please some, or by considering the other side and writing about so many things that you are bound to displease others. Since a satisfaction or an aversion prompts a discussion, and a discussion a desire for knowing or seeing. It seems best to give as many views of news as possible in order to create one of these desired effects. I wonder if Webster would term such the product of a logical mind or a logy one.

The campus at the present time belies those rumors that Spring and Winter are still feuding. From all appearances, the flowerage had its feeling hurt for more than its blossoms, for the trees on the grounds are a clear manifestation that Spring was victorious. For the benefit of those who have wondered, the three colorful trees near the building are known as flowering crab; and the one at the end of the walk with tiny purple blooms is a redbud.

For once in many years the high school students are becoming interested in national affairs. The answer probably lies in the exciting subject of who's to be the chief executive for next term. Being one who is feminine, I should predict that the Democrats haven't a chance with the women if Dewey runs. Of course, that is unless McNutt enters the picture.

The wisest ancient saying recently discovered is an Arabian proverb which is invariably applicable to life. In modern phraseology it states, "Man is four. He who knows and knows he knows, he is wise; follow him. He who knows and knows not he knows, he is asleep; awaken him. He who knows not and knows he knows he knows not, he is a child; teach him. He who knows not and knows not he knows he knows not, he is a fool; shun him."

As a guest columnist it is but befitting that I disclose the fact my qualifications for writing were not made known to those who gave me the pleasure of "prattling." My thanks to them, however, for this trial, and my thanks to the reader whose curiosity was aroused.

## Freedom Of Speech

Love is a feeling that you feel you're going to feel when you feel you're going to feel a feeling that you never felt before. (Don't I know! Oh, Jimmy) Dedicated to "Barkie"

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Miss Josephine Walch

604 North Grand

Pittsburg, Kansas

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They say "variety is the spice of life,"

so here's a boy and a senior at that. His fame has sprang "throughout the land" where his know as the champion miler of P.H.S. Student Council alternate of Mr. Nation's home room, Don Patrick has recently been wearing the typing pin that signifies the champion typists of P.H.S. in fact he's an allround champ.

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Here's the "A. Y. Prexy." (To the sophomores unable to cope with the intellectual phases used by seniors, it means, she's the president of the Allied Youth Club and member of the Forum Club and Girl Reserves, Betty Peterson has proved herself the kind of a person of whom the class of 1941 has a right to be proud.

## Formals

### Organza, lace, pique, net to be main material for evening wear

Now that graduation days are getting nearer, our senior girls are very excited trying to prepare their wardrobes for the different occasions. One of the greatest problems is deciding upon the formal that will make her look the most charming. Girls, here's a few words about the latest evening fashions.

#### Filmy Frocks

For social occasions of all kinds as well as graduation, filmy short dresses, with long, veiling sleeves and diaphanous dancing skirts, will be worn. For graduation, you gals will want a gown that is deliberately casual—but soft. This softness is found in the lace and organza which are used separately or together in ethereal dance frocks.

These glowing skirts over siren foundations creates quite a change from the bouffant line of last season. The graduation frocks will be full of tucks and shirring. Some will be woven with organza jackets.

#### Red Roses

Roses are doing very nicely in fashions this spring. Many big cabbage ones are in full-bloom, chambering up and down the evening dresses. This dance frock is in white pique with red or blue roses. If you wear a shoulderless formal, its one shoulder strap will look nice beflowered with long-stemmed roses.

As for the color, pink's perfect for spring. If you wear a pink formal, there is pink lemonade, the fresh new shade, for the lips and nails to accompany it. Pink rayon net with millions and millions of confectionery ruffles will make a pretty dress.

#### Pretty Pastels

Many of the pastel shades of pink, green, blue and lavender will be worn. A number of the girls will wear white evening dresses. Polka-dot dinner dresses in bouffant organdie is also very good. A polka-dot evening jacket of silk taffeta is worn with it. Little box coats of red wool are nice for evening or over the faille day skirt.

## People

Found-one cute bulldog, with face half white and half black! Please return to its owner, a sophomore girl, who belongs to Allied Youth and Girl Reserves. She's active in the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, is in the sophomore girls' glee club, and can be found with Barbara Huffman much of her time. Someday, Annabelle Guinn says, she wants to be a dramatics teacher.

Just for good measure, we'll "throw in" a junior girl. Maybe you don't know her very well, but you really should, because last year her sister was Girl Reserve president. Just a hint: Here's a coincidence—her first name is the name of the month in which she was born. She, too is a Girl Reserve, is quite a bicyclist and "horsebackist." Mae Flynn beats a drum in a local drum corps, "Put that in your drum and beat it!"

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They say "variety is the spice of life," so here's a boy and a senior at that. His fame has sprang "throughout the land" where his know as the champion miler of P.H.S. Student Council alternate of Mr. Nation's home room, Don Patrick has recently been wearing the typing pin that signifies the champion typists of P.H.S. in fact he's an allround champ.

## Party Line

Well, kids, it's Friday again and with Friday always comes this wonderful literature, the gossip column. Read it folks!

Did you hear about the bicycle ride Louise Pyle and Maxine Scott took. By the way, this was almost Louise's fatal ride. What's the matter, Maxine! What do you have against our friend, Louise??

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Why doesn't somebody tell us these things? For instance—is Jack Barber going with Wilma Jean Dean or Mary Margaret Kerr? He's always seen in the hall with Wilma, but Kerr and he pop up together at the dances.

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Harry McCool and Raymond Trumble want to be alone, we guess, because at Mr. Proctor's home room picnic they sat together in the car all the time. Who'd a thunk it?

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Did you all know that Anita Ray went to see "Pinocchio" with Harvey Lanier. Did you enjoy the show, kids??

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Boy, if some kids are complaining about sore muscles, we'll bet that Lorene Blancett and Bill Wilbert are in the crowd, 'cause they really can swing it when Jay Grover plays "A Man and His Drum." That's a swell piece for you jitterbugs.

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Martha Nell Whitcomb and Herman Brinkman have been sitting in the auditorium together at noon. We wonder how Harlan Peterson is taking these sessions? Watch it Peterson, this might become serious!

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Flash! Flash! Our romeo, Don Kuebler, has at last decided to settle down and be a woman's man! That lucky girl is Nellie Jo Tharrington. So, Nellie, you had better watch when it makes him so happy, he goes around kissing other guys' girls.

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"Now, that girl is one of the most beautiful girls I've ever seen! She reminds me of an Indian Princess," said our bashful little H. B. Cheyne at the Quill & Scroll banquet. Incidentally, we haven't learned her name. Perhaps H. B. could tell you.

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Well, students, at the moment we can't think of anything else to say, but if we have kidded too much, we are sorry and don't forget "We'll be seeing you next Friday!"

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Betty & Barb

## Wanderin' And Listenin'

At the Quill and Scroll banquet the other night, H. B. Cheyne was talking quietly to a few friends down at one end of the banquet table. He said that there was one thing he would like to do better than anything else in the world right then. The room got suddenly still, but H. B. didn't seem to notice it; and when one of his admirers ask him what he would like to do, he informed them in a loud tone that ————

"I'd just love to belch."

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Eugene Vietti's "pants" caught up with him the other day in third hour. That was a pretty bad pun, but we'll let it pass.

To get on with the story, Mr. Tewell borrowed Eugene's pants to take to Lakeside. In the meantime, Eugene was seen around the halls in overalls.

During third hour, Charles Davis dashed madly into typing class yelling out, "Here's Mr. Vietti's pants." No glaring spring shade could equal Eugene's face at the moment.

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Talking about red faces, Al McClure was was doing all right by his when they were advertising "Growing Pains." Mr. Thiebaud should get his chemists to work out a formula for a paling liquid for these bashful boys.



## Girl Reserves

Wednesday, May 1

A ballot election was held in the auditorium for election of next year's respective Girl Reserve officers.

Thursday, May 16

All Girl Reserves will meet in the auditorium for group singing during activity period.

## Receives New Music

Twenty varieties of new music have been ordered by the high school music department, according to an announcement by Mr. Gerald M. Carney, instructor. The new music is to be used by the Mixed Chorus and Glee Clubs.

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On Great Lone Hills.....Sibelius  
Old King Cole.....Gibb  
Old Uncle Moon.....Scott  
"Some of this music has already arrived, and the others should be here soon," Mr. Carney assured.

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I'm writing to apologize about those LAST TWO WEEKS IN JULY on the ISLE OF MAY, when you looked so charming WITH THE WIND AND THE RAIN IN YOUR HAIR.

Are you going with me TOMORROW NIGHT to THE BALALAIKA? It's on a LITTLE STREET IN SINGAPORE where I CRIED FOR YOU, my SWEET SOMEONE, under the stars when they BEGIN THE BEGUINE. I wonder, DOES YOUR HEART BEAT FOR ME when I'm CARELESS and GOOD FOR NOTHING?

I thought OUR LOVE FADED at the WOODCHOPPER'S BALL LAST NIGHT since the LITTLE BROWN JUG had its affect. The next thing I knew I was SOUTH OF THE BORDER at the RANCHO GRANDE singing the GAUCHO SERENADE to a girl called "DARK EYES." I felt like shouting MA, SHE'S MAKING EYES AT ME but decided not to. While I was sitting there in MEDITATION, she said I'VE GOT MY EYES ON YOU and with that she sauntered down to the OLD MILL STREAM.

I asked several people if they knew how I got there, and all they said was that I TOOK A TRIP ON A TRAIN Since I HAD A POCKETFUL OF DREAMS and nothing more, I set out to find a job. I met the MAN WITH THE MANDOLIN and after he said GOOD MORNING I told him my troubles and he directed me to the LIMEHOUSE BLUES Co. where I got a job. All they say to me is to ROLL OUT THE BARREL.

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## Days Of Our Years

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'Tis the spring of the year as I ponder to think  
Of forty years back and the mem'ries that link.

Perhaps you'll go back with me for a day  
And visit our school where fun held full sway.  
Let's journey around through the halls once more  
And see our old friends through the open doors.

A crash and a bang frighten us so,  
We rush to the scene and see there below  
The loud silk shirt that made such a noise,  
You see in those days they were stylish for boys.

There in the hall the statue you meet  
Was erected in honor of the hundreds of feet,  
That were tortured and tried and left black and blue  
By the loudest of socks of every bright hue.

Over here in the ruins there once used to be  
A chemistry lab of the finest degree.  
But one day a brilliant young scientist found  
That his mixture put him under the ground.

And now before going this was really a joke,  
The socks and the shirts are really in vogue  
As for shoes that we wear, we know they're as bad,  
And chemistry, we're thankful isn't nearly so bad.

So now on my trip, I'm nearing the end  
As I walk down the hall and hear round the bend,  
The whispering words and warning cough,  
It's a well-known fact that "She's a little bit off!"

Ida Louise Rush

The American government classes are studying Crawford County government. The American Problems classes took up the national and federal reserve system this week.

Poems, written by James Whitcomb Riley and Emily Dickinson, are being studied in Miss Lewis's literature classes. On Wednesday they gave oral book reports and on Thursday Miss Lewis gave them a test over the past few weeks' work.

Marvin Page told about the sacrifices made by those who take part in music, Wednesday, in Mr. Briggs' home room. A discussion on "Crime" was led by Jean Marie Resler Tuesday. John Resnar, who plans to be a mechanic, discussed garage work on Friday.

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## Scouts Go To Joplin For District Circus

Boy scouts of Pittsburg will letave this evening for Joplin to attend the annual Scout Circus which is held for the scouts of the Mo-Kan area. Among these Scouts are twenty boys from PHS.

The Boy Scout Circus is the largest event of Scouting held in this district. All troops will be represented and put on some sort of stunt. The main feature will be an animal act in which there will be a scout from each troop. To bring this act to a close "Tarzan" will enter and scare off the animals.

## A Nickel's A Nickel

A friend in need is a friend indeed, so the old saying goes, but it turns out that way sometimes. Barbara had one lone nickel, and she wanted some candy.

Running into the dime store, she shouted, "Gimme a nickel's worth of candy." While waiting for it, she poked the nickel in a crack. It stuck.

Jabbing it with her pencil did no good so the clerk, wanting to get rid of the candy, handed her a butcher knife. It had cake on it, too. Next, the clerk fished out a pair of scissors. "Oh," she moaned, "this is my last nickel," and looking up at the candy, she poked all the harder with the scissors.

At last, two old ladies, dressed in black came along. One of them fished out her car keys and quickly removed the nickel. Barbara left munching on some candy while the ladies looked a bit doubtful and shook their heads.

## Colors Fight Way

What is that blazing riot of colors fighting its way down the hall? The colors are so loud it is almost deafening. Red, green, orange, blue, yellow—every color is there.

Wait! Above it we sight a familiar face. It's A. M. Brim. Gee, I wonder how he stands all of the noise walking around with him every place he goes.

"Hey, A. M. how do you sleep with such a thing as that in your room at night?"

"Oh, I have a special place for it in the back yard, sorta a dog house," he replied with a grin.

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"Oh, I just hate to sit under these hair dryers, they always make my head ache," complains a modern high school miss, who is having her hair set especially for that important dance date.

"Say, girlie, will you please hand me that movie book with Jeffrey Lynn's picture on it," inquires a white haired lady who still delights in beautifying herself.

"You know what? This is my thirteenth permanent, and I must admit that I like myself as a brunette much better than as a blonde," brags a lady of the changeable type as she clicks and pops her gum.

"Hey, Effie, ask Suzie if she has time to comb my pin curls because I have a luncheon date in five minutes. Well, bye, everybody I'll be seeing you," so exits one member of the fair sex.

Speech classes plan to make recordings next week. A new "mike" was bought to replace the stolen one. This week the classes are making after-dinner speeches, and classroom discussions.

## Arrived at Last

The senior class rings have arrived. They may be obtained at Williams Jewelry store, when they have been paid for. They have the crest of the Purple Dragon and the name of Pittsburg with H S below. They come in onyx, plain gold, ruby, and blue sapphire sets with 1940 bordering it.

"The Farmer in the Dell, the Farmer in the Dell, hi ho the merry-o, the Farmer in the Dell."

Remember the song? Well, this time the Farmer isn't in the dell, but in P. H. S. instead. And quite by accident it all happened, too.

Dramatics classes are working on the one-act plays which will be presented May 16. They are also organizing the production staff for the plays.

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## Dragons Will Battle Bulldogs For Second Place

Eighteen track men, composing Pittsburg High School's track team, will journey to Coffeyville to compete in the SEK track meet tomorrow. The finals for the meet will begin at 1:30 Saturday, May 4, and the qualifying trials will start at 9:00 in the morning. All schools in the Southeast Kansas League will have teams present.

Coffeyville is doped to win the title this year, and a battle is forecast between the Independence Bulldogs and Pittsburg for second and third places. Several records will be in danger and some are expected to fall. Springer, Coffeyville field star, is capable of bettering the high jump and broad marks, and Coffeyville has a fast mile relay team that should come close to the present meet record.

The Pittsburg entries are George Ahrens, both hurdle races; Tommy Askins, dashes; Frank Bettega, mile relay; Russel Boatright, shot put and discus; Harry Bradshaw, broad jump; Jack Crews, pole vault; Robert Frisgeri, 440-yard dash.

Joe Gray, 880-yard run; Charles Ishmael, medley relay; Donald Patrick, mile run; Bill Poland, 440-yard dash; Johnny Shattuck, 440-yard dash and mile relay; Raymond Trumble, dashes; Marvin Tucker, pole vault; Sammy Van Gordon, broad jump; and Jack Broadhurst, high jump.

Two kinds of men whistle at their work—the traffic cop and the guy with adenoids.

## From Where We Sit

The golf team did about the best they have ever done in the SEK tournament, Saturday, and Fred Turner just missed being low individual scorer by four strokes. Jack Broadhurst got to make the trip and play with the team. Probably one of the most sporting things of the season was turned in by the linksmen as the cut down on their dinner to make it possible for the whole team to make the trip. That takes a bunch of mighty good sports to be willing to do that in order that all may go.

In the coming track meet Saturday, the Dragons are picked to emerge in second place, with Coffeyville winning. Independence is expected to give the Dragons a real fight for second place and may take it themselves. Ray Lance, who has been out all season, has decided to enter and support the school in the contest. Wednesday on the school track you

had a chance to view the track stars of tomorrow when the annual Grade School Track and Field Meet was held. PHS boys acted as coaches for the schools and spent a lot of time getting the teams ready for the meet.

Plans are being made for a faculty golf tournament to determine the golf champ of the junior high and senior high faculties. Stars like C. H. "Pop" Lundquest, Arlie Hoffman, Carl Ison, George Duerksen, and Dan Tewell are training hard in preparation for this important contest.

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## SOFTBALL

The javelin is the best event although Cronister 6 1 .857 Earle 5 2 .714 Pelphrey 5 2 .714 Peterson 4 3 .519 Esch 4 3 .519 Sill 3 4 .430 Johnson 0 7 .000 Buxton 0 7 .000

BOX SCORE:  
Cronister 0 7 4 6 1 0 0 5—23  
Sill 0 0 2 1 14 0 1 0—18  
Batteries: Cronister; Cronister.  
C. Cobb and Pyle Sill; Hunt Rogers, Bottenfield and Rollins.

BOX SCORE:  
Peterson 1 1 0 6 3 2 0—13  
Pelphrey 4 1 0 1 2 2 0—10  
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## Ozbun Advances To Semi-Finals

Six PHS boys competed in the annual SEK tennis tournament at Independence Saturday, April 27. The team didn't fare so well but Paul Ozbun advanced to the semi-finals in the singles bracket. Bill Waltz, PHS's only other entry in that division was eliminated in his initial match.

Both doubles teams, one composed of Cheek and Timmons, and the other of Thomas and Kuebler, were defeated in their first match. Shive of Independence won first in the singles after drawing a bye and defeating Procter of Parsons in the quarter-finals, Levy of Coffeyville in the semi-finals and Tregor of Independence in the finals.

Cheek and Timmons were defeated by an Independence team composed of Publis and Chappine, 6-0 and Thomas and Kuebler were defeated by Martin and Gordon of Independence, 6-1 and 6-31. Bill Waltz in the singles was defeated by Levy, a Javatown lad, 6-4 and 6-1.

Paul Ozbun, Pittsburg's only successful contender, drew a bye in his first match and beat Procter of Parsons in his first match, 6-4 and 6-2, in the quarter-finals, and was defeated by Tregor of Independence in the semi-finals, 6-3 and 6-4. Shive, of Independence, appeared to be a very out standing player and is only a sophomore.

followed closely, winning five and losing only two.

The second round began last Thursday, with Cronister and Peterson leading with one win each and no losses. They won their games from Sill and Pelphrey, respectively. The game between Esch and Earle was postponed until a later date. Buxton has merged with Esch and Johnson has merged with Peterson in this round, so their teams will not be classed in the standings.

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Behind the four-hit pitching of Don German, the A & W Rooters baseball team, captained by Kenneth Hunt, defeated the Bluejays, managed by James Sill, 12-10. The game was played on the east fourth street diamond last Saturday afternoon, and one extra inning was needed to decide the outcome of the game. J. O. Biggs hurled for the losers, striking out nine and allowing 12 hits.

German, though allowing only four safe hits, was bothered by wildness, but tightened up in the pinches to win his game. He struck out ten and issued eight free passes.

The attack was led for the A & W Rooters by Ferguson, Lance, Hunt, Halfhill and Gray, with Ferguson basting a triple. Even losing Biggs pitched a good game as he had good control and his curve was breaking nicely.

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Toussaint RL Ahrens  
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Lance 3B Minnick  
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German P Biggs  
Umpire: Jimmie Gold

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## BOWLING

In the doubles contest at the "Y" last Saturday high individual single games were as follows:

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| J. Walton     | 150 |
| M. Nettels    | 157 |
| D. Bush       | 156 |
| D. Lemler     | 170 |
| H. Bradshaw   | 174 |
| D. Marchbanks | 210 |

|               | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|---------------|-----|-----|-------|
| M. Parr       | 104 | 120 | 224   |
| A. Parr       | 113 | 62  | 175   |
| Ave           |     |     | 399   |
| M. Nettels    | 120 | 157 | 277   |
| J. Malcolm    | 118 | 117 | 235   |
| Ave           |     |     | 522   |
| B. Sybert     | 108 | 143 | 251   |
| J. Lemon      | 120 | 117 | 237   |
| Ave           |     |     | 488   |
| J. Walton     | 125 | 150 | 275   |
| B. Daugherty  | 135 | 100 | 235   |
| Ave           |     |     | 510   |
| J. Van Hoy    | 121 | 131 | 252   |
| D. Marchbanks | 145 | 210 | 355   |
| Ave           |     |     | 607   |
| T. Thomas     | 98  | 137 | 235   |
| D. Bush       | 116 | 156 | 272   |
| Ave           |     |     | 507   |
| G. Esch       | 118 | 130 | 248   |
| D. Lemler     | 170 | 156 | 326   |
| Ave           |     |     | 574   |
| H. Bradshaw   | 174 |     |       |
| J. Veatch     | 112 |     |       |
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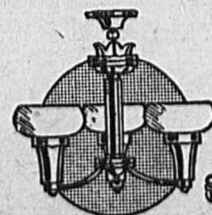
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