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Highly Superior At Kansas City By Male Chorus

The Boy's Glee Club won a rating of highly superior at the National Music Festival at Kansas City last Thursday, completing a record of all highly superiors this year.

The Boys' Glee Club went to Kansas City in the school bus. They sang in Edison Hall of the Power and Light Building at four o'clock. "Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming," "Song of the Jolly Roger," and "Sunrise on the Ganges" were the numbers sung. The judges were Noble Cain, Henry Veld, and Harold Tallman.

After singing, the Glee Club went to the Muebach Hotel to "sight read." Lorrain Watters was the sight reading judge. Mac French, first tenor, rated highly superior as a soloist Thursday morning.

The band went to Kansas City Saturday and played in the Municipal Auditorium at six o'clock. They received excellent ranking. Don Schwab entered the French Horn division and received a rating of superior. The Woodwind quintet, composed of Harvey Lanier, George Pyle, H.B. Cheyne, Jay Rennick, and Edwin Payne, played at the Hotel Phillips Saturday afternoon. Their ranking was excellent.

The band received a rating of excellent, for which the school will receive a plaque. Only nine schools rated higher, and seven rated lower, according to Mr. Gerald M. Carney, music director. The Woodwind quintet also received a rating of excellent with only one school rating higher.

Girl Reserves Plan Installation Of New Officers

The annual installation of new Girl Reserve cabinet officers will take place Thursday, May 16, during the regular activity period in the auditorium.

Officers who will be installed are President, Charlene Williams; vice-president, Sammy Lou Heaton; program chairman, Jane Pratt; secretary, Lauraetta Ashline; treasurer, Nancy Soper; social chairman, Joan Higgins; publicity chairman, Tolly Keck; and devotional chairman, Virgin Plagens. The room will be darkened as the members file into soft music played by Girl Reserve musicians. The seating arrangement for the officers on the stage will be in the form of a triangle with a table and a candle placed at the front of the formation.

Each of the old officers, according to tentative plans, will give a short explanation of the duties of her office, and the new officer will in turn give a brief response.

"In order to make it more effective," Laurel concluded, "We are requesting all officers and members, who can, to wear white."

Frolic Plans Complete

Plans for the annual Junior-Senior Frolic are nearly completed, according to a statement made by Miss Lanyon and Mr. Snodgrass, instructors of physical education in P.H.S.

The Frolic will be May 17, from two to four o'clock at Lincoln Park. One of the main events will be the traditional tug-of-war, the opposing teams being comprised of boys of the Junior and Senior classes. For the past two years the seniors have been the winners.

The girls will play amory ball and horseshoes. Activities for the boys are tennis, with Mr. Briggs in charge; golf, regular fee charged; and amory ball. Each class will be divided into two teams, A and B. The winning A team will be challenged in a short game of four innings by the teachers.

Dramatics Class Presents Play

The dramatics classes, under the direction of Mr. Tewell, will climax their semester's work when they present a four-act play next Thursday. The entertainment is to be in the high school auditorium. Twenty-three students will participate.

The plays are: "Last Flight Over," "The Man in the Bowler Hat," "Jungle Fantasy," and "When Stars Fell." "Last Flight Over" was the play presented at the Chantre speech contest where it received a high rating. The same cast will present it this time.

"We guarantee these plays to please every one," declared Mr. Tewell. "Every kind is given here so that each person would get to see his favorite type of play."

Each member of the speech and dramatic classes have been selling tickets for the last week. The money raised is to pay for a microphone recently purchased to replace one stolen a few weeks ago. According to those in charge of the sale, the tickets are going in excellent shape. The cost to junior and senior high school student will be ten cents and to adults, fifteen. Activity tickets will admit the students.

The cast of "Last Flight Over" includes Gene Coppedge, Jack Collins, Jimmy Rupard, Jane Pratt and Tolly Keck. In "The Man in the Bowler Hat" will be Al McClure, Margaret McCoy, Gene Coppedge, Naida Chandler, Jack Cremer, Eugene Vietti, Philip Norman, Bill Griffith, Dean Johnson, and Billy Al Hazen make up the cast of "Jungle Fantasy." "When Stars Fell" presents Jack Collins, Walter Smith, Sunshine Sherman, Barbara Williams, Shirley Gay, Vaudine Ridenour, Jack Cox, and Bob Massmann.

"We handle call these educational but we do think they will be entertaining," was Mr. Tewell's comment on the plays.

FOUNDER OF BOOSTER



On the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding, the Booster stops to pay homage to the former Miss Laura Finley, now Mrs. H. E. Smith of Emporia. It was in her Senior English

class in 1915 that Miss Finley started the Booster. It was begun as an English project but soon became so popular that the next fall, a separate class was organized in Journalism.

Graduates CLASS 1940

Louise Addison
George Vernon Ahrens
Robert McKinley Akey
Mabel Louise Allison
Caldonia Dorothy Allmon
David Dean Amick
Glenna Margaret Axtell
Bernadine Baart
Jack Kimpton Barber
Harriette Elizabeth Bass
Ada Barbara Beauchamp
Kathryn Ellen Benner
Beatrice Viola Bevins
Norma Lucretia Billington
Lorene Maria Blancett
Norman Thomas Blasor
Edward Lee Booth
Warren Bottenfield
Naida June Brannum
Robert Lewis Briggs
A. M. Brin
Jack Earl Broadhurst
Lucy Christine Brown
Virginia Lee Burcham
Elwanda Buxton
Otis Alden Carr
Virginia Lee Cass
La Verna Casterman
La Von Casterman
Bertha Chambers
Naida Caroline Chandler
D. W. Cheek
Esther Cherry
Hobart Brian Cheyne
Charles Lee Cobb
Robert Frederick Cobb
Frank Charles Coghill
Helen Marie Cole
Gene Thomas Coppedge
Barbara Jean Cornelius
Robert Jay Coulter
Jack Raymond Cox
Jack Frederick Cremer
Margaret Ruth Crockett
Millard John Cronister
Virginia Ann Cronister
Virginia Lee Crowe
Joe David
Alvin E. Davies
Charles O. Davis
Earl Davis
Wilma Jean Dean
Theophilis Earle
Quintin Eugene Ebbs
Marvin Richard Edwards
Margie Gene Ellis
Martha Jane Ellis
Laurel Helen Ellsworth
Jack Weaver Embree
Charles Kenneth Emerson
Robert Lewis Flack
Margie Ford
Robert Frank
Mac French
Marjorie Lenore Funk
Kathleen Mae Gaston
Shirley Ann Gay
Charles Leroy Gilliland
Clara Mae Gimlin
Barbara Dean Gohr
Betty Jean Gohr
James Thomas Gold
Katherine Susan Gore
Virginia Gore
Sarah Marie Grasso
Bill Graue
Harry Newton Griffith
Mary Margaret Hall
Loverne Hankins
Maggie Alice Hardister
Evelyn Helen Harmel
Jack R. Harmon
Wanda Marie Harris
Margie Harrison
Marian Corinne Hart
Joyce Crystal Henney
Pearl Marie Hite
Mary Grace Huffman
Beverly Holley
Albert James Hopper
Dorthea Ruth Howard
Dorthea Humeck
Melvin Earl Hudson
Wayne Edward Hudson
Barbara Jean Huffman
Marjorie Wanda Humbard
Kenneth Cooper Hunt
Forrest Huston
Charles Donald Isenberg
Betty Marie Jackson
Duane Johnson
Louella Marie Johnson
Irene Jones
Margaret Esley Jones
Dorothy Grace Keith
Irene Marie Kelly
Rex Dale Kelly
Thelma Lee Kelly
Ethel Kennett
Elanor Keplinger
Harold Kerby
Mary Margaret Kerr
Reba Arlene Kirby
Isabel Klein
Helen Elizabeth Kleinhammer
Don Arnel Kuebler
Raymond W. Lance
William Harvey Lanier
Rosabelle Laughlin
Winnogene Mae Leach
Margaret Ann Lemaster
Joseph W. Lemaster

Wallace Edgar Lewis
Ora Leona Lillard
Jack H. Long
Luella Elizabeth Lortz
Juanita Loth
June Mardelle Lowe
Coral Arline McClure
Al McClure
Harry A. McCool
Margaret Edna McCoy
Frances Mae McCrea
Wanda Gene Maier
Emmanuel Manfro
Velma Mardell Mangrum
James J. Marchbanks
Marjorie Louise Mason
Mildred Lucille Masquelier
Evelyn Massmann
Rose Marie Mauserer
Theodore Karl Meyer
Troy Michie
Glenna Roberta Miller
Sarah Miller
James Joseph Mingori
Wanda Lois Morgan
Margaret Alice Nail
Betty Jean Navarre
Margaret Agnes Naylor
Doris Mary Nevins
Charles Newton
Philip Sidney Norman
Charles Edmond Oertle
Doris Mardell Ogan
Marjorie Elizabeth Ogan
Dorothy Frances O'Laughlin
Virginia Helen Ostedrek
Madlyn Osterfeld
Helen Marilynn Otto
Marjorie Lou Parr
Bette Lu Parsons
Donald Patrick
Dorris Deane Pennington
Anita Christina Perko
Frieda Antonia Perko
Cecil Albert Perry
Mary Adele Pierce
Bill Poland
Edna Mae Price
George Marshall Pyle
Millicent Louise Pyle
Margaret Helen Rati
Margaret Anita Ray
Mary Katherine Reddick
Dorothy Arline Redfern
James McCormick Reilly
Walter J. Riley
Dora Lavon Ristau
Dale Rollins
Arthur Rowden Jr.
Ida Louise Rush
Robert Allen Saar
Ruth Saline
Nadine Ann Scavezze
Helen Bernice Schneider
Mary Eileen Schneider
William Louis Schumell
Donald H. Schwab
Ralph Seifers
Maxine Adelle Scott
Eugene Seely
John Seifert
Darral Waldo Selburg
Frank Serra
Earnest Shattuck
Harold Guy Shields
Daphne Reva Shoup
Wreatha Agnes Shultz
James Paul Sill
Arnold Smith
Jacquelyn Smith
Mary Lois Smith
Charlotte Elizabeth Sparks
Marian Louise Sparks
Mary Jean Spriggs
Alma May Stapp
Harry Bryan Stephenson Jr.
Margaret Louise Stewart
Beatrice Viola Stringham
Henry Charles Stringham
Rebadean Stroud
William Al Swartz
Charles Emmanuel Tatham
Lois May Teter
William Frank Thogmartin
Roy Chester Thompson
Edward Louis Tims
Raymond Lee Trumble
Ned Tryon
Geraldine Turpin
Mary Mildred VanArsdale
Anna Belle Van Luyck
Beverly Faye Vercoglio
Eugene D. Vietti
Loren F. Vilmer
Josephine Walche
Frank Ronald Walker
Bruce Washburn
James Ralph Wells
Marjorie Lavone Wheeler
Barbara Jean Williams
Richard Williams
Ruth Lucille Williams
Lois Mae Williams
Wilma Virginia Williamson
Kathryn Dean Wilson
Kenneth Wilson
Marguerite Pearl Wilson
Leola Lura Wisecarver
Daisy Dean Workman
Hazel Gertrude Workman
Alice Louise Wuerdeman
Max Blair Ziegler
Margaret Ziegler

Elliott, Sockman Will Be Speakers For Main Senior Events

A senior Prom will end the seniors activities, which include the Junior Senior Frolic, Friday afternoon, May 17; the Senior Banquet, Friday night; Baccalaureate, and Commencement, for this year.

The baccalaureate, service will be at 8 o'clock Sunday night, May 19, in Carney Hall on the KSTC campus. Dr. W. A. Elliott, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Ottawa, Kansas, will preach the baccalaureate sermon. The Mixed Chorus will entertain with two selections, Cherubim Song,"

by Bortniansky, and "Pilgrim's Song," by Tchaikowsky.

The Commencement exercises will be at 8 o'clock Thursday night, May 23, in Carney Hall. The processional, "Pomp and Circumstance," will be played by the PHS band. After the invocation, the Mixed Chorus will sing "Listen To The Lambs," by Dett, with Marjorie Wheeler singing the solo, and "Prelude" (Cycle of Life) by Ronald. The combined chorus and orchestra, with Charlotte Sparks singing the solo, will present "Dear Land of Home" (Finlandia) by Si-belius.

Rose Will Introduce Speaker

Dr. Ralph A. Sockman, pastor of the Christ Methodist Church in New York City, will address the students. Superintendent M. M. Rose will introduce the speaker. After the address, Principal J. L. Hutchinson will present the class to the Board of Education and Mr. E. H. McFarland president of the Board will present the diplomas to the seniors. The benediction will end the service.

Immediately following the commencement service, a Senior Prom will be held in the Roosevelt Junior High gymnasium with Eddie Strickler's orchestra furnishing the music. The dance will be only for the seniors and their dates.

Select Students To Participate In Sunflower State

Jane Pratt, Shirley Ainsworth, Evangeline Graver, and Mary Pauline Guinn, all juniors, were selected to attend Sunflower Girls' State at Washburn College campus in Topeka, from June 9 to 16. The boys who are to go to Sunflower Boys' State held at Wichita North High School have not been selected as yet.

They were chosen by the faculty on the basis of leadership, citizenship, service, and scholarship. Those selected each year must be juniors.

These states are sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and the American Legion. While the students are at these states, they choose their own officers and carry out the duties of the regular state officers.

High School Will Have Open House Monday

PHS will throw open its doors to the general public Monday, May 20 for the annual Open House. According to John White, who is in charge. All classrooms will be open from 7 to 8 p. m. They will display some of the work that has been done in that class during the past year.

There will be a program at 8:14 in the auditorium. The orchestra will play several selections, and Miss Esther Gable will present a style show. In the it, the girls will model the garments that they made in clothing. This includes formals, housecoats, coats suits, afternoon dresses, sport dresses, and play suits.

The Industrial arts department will have a large exhibit of furniture made in the shop. All kind of food will hold the limelight in Miss Leeka's department. The biology department has a regular menageri to show. It also will exhibit wild and tame cut flowers. Bookmarks from the printing department will be given away. Chemistry students will perform experiments for the visitors and the art department will have an art exhibit.

...Fools ask questions that wise men cannot answer. ... No wonder I flunked.

...P & W 1924

Calendar Of Events

May 14 to May 24

WEDNESDAY:
Forum Club, noon

THURSDAY:
Speech Plays, 7:30
Girl Reserves Installation
Hi-Y in group

FRIDAY:
Junior Senior Frolic
Senior Banquet, 6:30

SUNDAY:
Baccalaureate 8:00, Carney Hall K. S. T. C.

MONDAY:
Open House, 7:00

THURSDAY:
Commencement, 8:00, Carney Hall K. S. T. C.

FRIDAY:
Vacations Begin

Kansas State Historical Society
Topeka, Kas.

We Think

The Future Of Pittsburg Depends Upon You

"I'm out of school now and I can get of this town. This town is gone, there never will be anything to do here, it's just a ghost town."

We wonder how many times we have heard those statements. Get out of Pittsburg, it's gone. It seems sometime that that is the main ambition in the life of many. That philosophy is entirely false.

Pittsburg is not a ghost town. True it has lost some of its people. Yes, the coal industry isn't what it once was. But does that spell disaster? No!

There are leaders in this town who foresee the continued slump in the coal business. They are working and planning for the future. It has been established that from the 9,000 usable by-products of coal, some are well adapted to Pittsburg for manufacturing. For instance, there is need for fertilizer plant in the district and we have good conditions here for one. Sulfuric acid is being made in St. Louis from our coal. Why can't it be made here? The plastic industry soon will be one of the greatest in the country. We have good chances here in here that field.

Sometimes, we feel that nothing is being done in these lines because we hear of nothing. But our local Industrial Commission is working at top speed to further Pittsburg prosperity. But there is one thing they are doubtful about.

The one factor that can make or break this town in the next generation is the eye of people in it. There is a great need for leaders. People who have the fortitude stay and fight it out. On them rests the future of our town. We must know and remember that the city of Pittsburg is not gone cannot fail to have a prosperous town always!

New Journalism Set-up Will Produce Better Paper

Next year several changes will be made in the present method of teaching journalism. Instead of the present two senior classes of two hours each a day, there will be a senior class a junior class. A junior course of one hour will be available to juniors having a high "C" average, or above.

This course will include all the fundamentals of journalism with exercises in news writing and ad-selling and will prepare the student for the job of putting out the paper the next year. "Propaganda in the News" will be studied in the course of this class, a vital subject during present days.

One senior class of two hours a day will write and put out the paper every week and will get experience in editing and business management. One full unit of credit will be given for each course.

These changes are aimed at publishing a better, more professional BOOSTER from the beginning of every year. At the beginning of the year the journalism class by virtue of having junior journalism will be thoroughly grounded in the essentials, instead of learning them as the year progresses. These changes will also give students a better, more thorough knowledge of journalism, and will permit more practical experience.

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Gifts

Compacts, lockets, robes or a watch will please any girl graduate

What to give your gal for graduation. Boys, is that bothering you? Yes, that is what I thought, so here's a few suggestions that may help a bit.

Here's something very new in the line of compacts. It's the newest amusement called the watch-case compact, with two of three initials. It's the cutest trick that's ever made her the center of conversation. It is very astounding to press the stem and find your powder puff and mirror inside when it looks like a watch.

Then there is the pearl necklace and bracelet set. A girl would be plenty thrilled to receive a soft, glowing set of pearls, with a deep creamy luster. They would be nice to wear with her evening clothes the night of graduation.

If she likes music, you had better get her a cute little portable radio. Old English lockets and chains are very beautiful. The fine old chasing, the hearts and flowers, are very interesting.

Maybe your girl would like one of the lovely rayon sharkskin robes. There is one robe that has a special hood. The initials are on the lapels, it is very striking with its full five-yard skirt. The hood is lined with red polka dot. A fine gold wrist watch would be very nice don't you think? What girl wouldn't be happy to receive one of these gifts?

Borrowed Bits

The Annual Friendship May banquet for the 900 Friendship girls and their mothers was held, April 27, in the First Methodist Church. The church was decorated in spring colors, and this beautiful effect was emphasized by the pastel and white formal of the girls in the procession. The May Queen, whose identity remained unknown until the night of the banquet, was crowned by the president of Friendship. "The Central High Record," Sioux City, Iowa

Dr. Jean Bessancon of Paris, 80-year-old authority on longevity, advised today: Do not drink water, take as little exercise as possible and have a highball at tea time.

"Sobriety never made anybody live long nor did starving," Doctor Bessancon wrote in his newly-published book on the health of age persons. "Eat as much as you can. Smoking is harmless, except in rare cases."

"University Daily Kansan Lawrence, Kansas

Forty-eight seniors are qualified for the National Honor society, which means that fifteen per cent of the class excels in scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and character. The Joplin chapter of the National Honor society, organized in February, 1926, is one of the 2,056 chapters of the society in the high schools of the United States.

"The Spyglass Joplin, Missouri

Not to be outdone by the seniors, who had a large German Police dog in the cast of their last play, the juniors include among their actors, who are going to present "The Youngest," a small dog and a cat. As you very likely know cats and dogs don't mix. If the cat or dog should get loose behind a battle will probably be forthcoming. If this should happen the cast has been instructed as to just what positions to take and will undoubtedly "ad lib" until the fracas can be stopped.

"The Advocate," Lincoln, Nebraska

Wanderin' And Listenin'

Thinkin' back over the past school year we recall how we carefully dressed for our dates to go to the junior play, orchestra, and band concerts, those all-school parties where you had so much fun, etc.

Probably before the summer's over most of the seniors (if they graduate) will have forgotten about all of those dates, except maybe the most IMPORTANT date, the one that you got the new dress for and could hardly wait for HIS arrival.

Those all-school parties were really fun. The dancing part was fun all the time but it did get a little discouraging when you never won a checker game.

Another important event to most journalists was the time they saw their first efforts in print.

Well, the senior play was a success in more ways than one. It seems that it caused several of the romantic leads to start going together. For instance, A. M. and S. G., C. D. and N. C. and E. V. and M. Z.

THE NEWS IN CARTOON

—Mary Lois Smith,



Remember, seniors, way back in the dim, dark past when we were gay little sophomores with never a care and never havng to use our brain.



And then next year, we learned what a hard life it was to be a junior. Just enough intelligence so people knew we weren't sophomores and still too dumb looking to be seniors.



And the year we were seniors. We had the opportunity to show off our great amount of intelligence. Next year, we'll just be freshmen. Ho hum.

People

Suppose we won't dare look at our grade cards when this week's column is printed about the teachers; but being brave, here goes with all the hope on some of the faculty members!

Our first victim here is a "Mr." He has taught at P.H.S. for many years and is beloved by most of the students who have taken from him. He's a Hi-Y sponsor, and a government teacher, and at the same time seems rather quiet (except in class) and does everything in a sincere and straightforward way. Everyone shudders at his tales of the horrors of war; surely more men of his type are needed to help keep the world from such hideous conflicts as the present one, which if it must be, we hope and pray will remain overseas. Surely, by now, everyone must have recognized the clues on the identity of Mr. Nation.

Tall, graying hair, and bent with the service she has rendered to thousands of "brats like us," is this familiar teacher. For many years she taught history and English to our parents and now has the position of being in charge of the library. The "kids" sometimes think she's too hard on them trying to keep them quiet, but you know, it would be awfully hard to have a nice peaceful sleep in a noisy place! Our sincerest thanks for Miss Palmer's faithful and patient work in P.H.S.

Jolly, fun-loving, sweet, and gentle is another one of our teachers who is Girl Reserve sponsor, active in Methodist Church work, and teaches plane geometry to those "intelligent sophies." She's always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. Certainly, Miss Bailey, as a sponsor, personifies the best of what a Girl Reserve should stand for!

"Never say, 'she don't,' or 'they is!'" might well be heard any day in a certain classroom. This teacher, though short in stature, commands the respect and admiration of every one of her students. Throughout her years of teaching, she has striven to give us a more thorough knowledge of our English language and literary works of the authors. Besides being an energetic and capable Student Council sponsor, Miss Farnier in every respect deserves her title as the head of the P.H.S. English department.

Music

It forms a bond between the people of the whole world

What a great part music plays in our everyday life! This thought struck me very forcefully the other day. I woke in a very abrupt but pleasant musical fashion—the next door neighbor's radio was blaring forth the tricky introduction to the "Bugle Call Rag." After making a very unmusical exit from my bed, I beheld my father trying earnestly to whistle the "Woodpecker Song" and shave at the same time.

The WDAF musical clock revue told me it was time to go to school—that music's out of tune. Entertaining me in chapel after second hour was the Ritz trumpeteers.

At noon down in the music room a group of musicians are always gathered around the piano. At meetings, banquets, movies, radio programs of all sorts, and at gatherings of all kinds the mood-creator, the ice-breaker is always music.

Music is all around us, we can't get away from it. And how thankful we should be. There is nothing like a beautiful melody and blending harmony to make us forget our greatest trouble! What could make one more inspired and proud than a stirring patriotic a weird, creeping theme of music can add.

Or nearer to us yet, who can resist patting their foot or swaying a little when a hot drummer starts beating those tom-toms, and the band starts tearing into a hot number.

Truly, this is the greatest musical age yet. Or even greater characteristic of music is its function as a bond that ties all people. Music respects no political boundary, no class distinction, or race discrimination. A note is a note, a beautiful melody is a beautiful melody, and it moves the emotions the people whether it be in Germany or the United States of America. More and more music is becoming of the people, by the people, and for the people.

The sidewalks in front of a couple of local stores are in a run-down condition from too much walking on them. It seems that one of those stores is giving cedar chests to the girls and the other tie pins to the boys.

Members of Quill & Scroll, 1940



Ranging in moods from joyfulness to outright antagonism, the members of Quill & Scroll for 1940 are pictured here. Q & S is an honorary journalism organization. Front row, left to right: Maxine Scott, Lorene Blancett, Margaret Agnes Naylor, and Joyce Henny. Second row: Kenny Hunt, treasurer; Bill Graue, secretary; Charles Davis, president; Ida Louise Rush, vice-president; and Wilma Williamson. Back row: Mary Lois Smith, H. B. Cheyne, Anita Ray, Martha Ruth Howard and Mr. Proctor, journalism sponsor. (Don Slagle Photo)

Party Line

Chillens, today we have a lesson in modern history, made by the famous characters of the campus during the year 1939-40.

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First, we have some excellent history made by Jack Barber. His first admirer was Dorothy Keith. This case was short but sweet. In the next episode comes his little romance with Mary Margaret Kerr. Then out of the blue sky, his affections turned to Wilma Jean Dean. At the present, this case seem to be pretty serious.

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Next let's take a look at Jack Broadhurst's romance of the year. Well let's see, his heart throb number one was that adorable little Laverna Casterman. This affair was good while it lasted. The same can be said of his affair with June Lowe. Shirley Gay seems to be next in line, but Ed Hood was the death of this romance. The rest of this story remains to be seen because Jack surprised us the other night by stepping out with Margaret McCoy.

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Oh listen to this! You should have seen two of our cute little sophies (Evelyn Rosher and Boots McWilliams) the other night. They are certainly a peach of a pair.

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It takes a "sophie" to bring that dashing young senior, Jack Harmon, to a dance. It's okay Martha Packard but what is Edna Mae's viewpoint.

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We hear that Eugene Vietti finally got up enough nerve to ask a girl to a party. The lucky girl was Margaret Ziegler. Incidentally Bob Saar came to the party (Senior Play Cast Party) not with one girl but with three of em! —Peggy Myers of Ft. Scott, Maxine Scott, and Beverly Ver-coglio.

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We have a hard time keeping up with a cute little girl "Pinkie" Brannum, but at present she has been dating Bob Akey. We are waiting to hear more about this good news!!

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"Sophies" Charlotte Miller and Eddie Mae were seen at the Nurse's dance together cute gal, Eddie. We also saw Sue Bales and J. B. Stacey. Nice going, Sue.

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Did you all know that "Little Kerr" has been dating Harry Bradshaw again. Kids, we've been waiting to see this thing happen. We felt sure this romance was gone but not forgotten.

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Things are beginning to look serious between Chuck Davis and Jimmie Marchbanks who were once the best of friends. But now that Nadia Caroline Chandler is their objective, 'tis rumored that that is gwine to be a gun battle soon. Well, well imagine that!

Well, kids, it's sure been a lot of fun having these Friday afternoon chats with you and we are only sorry that this is to be our last visit with you. Hope you have a lot of fun this summer, so "toodle oooooh" and behave yourself now.

Love and all that sort of stuff, Betty & Barbara

Did you know that the seniors were betting on what kind of weather it would be at commencement? Right now, the odds are in favor of rain.

W. A. A. is again presenting one of its stupendous entertainments—the carnival. Under the leadership of capable Louise White it is bound to be bigger and better than ever before. The W. A. A. does not stop with just a good show, but makes it colorful by the addition of a snappy water carnival. Nanette Stokes and Dorothy Doble promise some startling dives, relays, and water formations in this part of the carnival. "Christian College Mi-zophone" Columbia, 7

Booster Writing Contest Winners

Virginia Osredker
Short StoryEd Booth
Poetry

—Booster Lecturer

A Peaceful Land

God bless this land of America,
Touched now by the hands of Spring,
This golden land of Democracy,
Where freedom will always ring.
Where war and strife seem far away,
And "hatred" is but a word;
Where glory is sought with kindness
And never with the sword.
Our rulers are not tyrant kings
Who strive for selfish gain;
Each man is law unto himself,
Each, on the throne, may reign.

—Ed Booth

Hutchinson

Mr. Hutchinson is full of fun
And stays right here till work is done,
He never shirks he's always there,
He's always willing to do his share.
But if you're skipping school, my lad,
"Hutchie" can be awful bad.
He'll talk up one side and down the other
And talk to you just like a brother
He'll make you consider the work in school
And if you don't come you'll be a fool.

—Jack Sears

All's Fair

By Virginia Osredker

"Oh boy," ejaculated Jenny, "the third hour bell, now for some lunch. She knew it was not the lunch she was anxious about that made her rush home at noon every day; it was the faint hope that there might possibly be a letter—not just a letter, but one from Kenneth Kelley. He was wonderful, and he loved Jenny. She always dashed home this way, half expecting to be surprised.

Sure enough, on the hall table, a little square envelope addressed to Jenny Austin. Hastily she tore it open. "Dead Jenny," it read, "we have always promised to be honest with each other and to be honest, I have been having some dates with another girl." All the thrill she had experienced upon just mocked her and she felt empty, nauseated—she should not have read it before lunch maybe.

She continued, "Every night that I don't see you, I see her. She has grown hair and the prettiest eyes ever except yours. They make my heart jump up and down everytime she looks at me. Her lips are irresistible but she doesn't kiss me, just smiles all the time. If she could wrinkle her nose and say the cute things you do, I'd be almost tempted to go with her all the time." Jenny felt hot and cold all over. And only a few days ago he had told her she was the only girl he ever loved.

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Debate Teams
At PHS in 1916

"Which is mightier: the pen or the sword?" This has been the subject of debates since time immortal. However it is interesting to note when thumbing through old Purple and Whites, that the first debate team at Pittsburg High was organized in 1916 just on the brink of the United States' entrance into the World War I. This team composed of Bernia Goodrum, Maurice Frazier, Lloyd Killough and James Markle debated the question of compulsory military training.

Again in 1918, after the United States' entrance into the war, the trend toward militarism showed in the question of universal military training for all boys between the ages of 17 and 22. The PHS team composed of Samuel Thompson, Louis Brunskill, Paul White, Jr. and Theodore Eserman won first at the contest at Girard that year. At the same contest Lois Whaley and Thelma Holger took first and second places with interpretative reading.

After that, debating lost popularity until in 1921, when, under the guidance of Miss Pearl L'Heureux, it burst into the position it now holds. That year the Pittsburg team won nine out of ten possible points in speech and debate and got seven out of ten points at Ft. Scott, allowing them to win the Championship Cup.

Members of the victorious debate team include many who later showed themselves quite competent in the world; they were Clarence Haize, Ulyss Mitchell, Euphema Bales, and Stancart Graham. Orators that year were Wilma Frain and Harry Parker; and the winning readers were Mable Selby and Evelyn Bales.

The following year the debaters enjoyed an unusually successful season. The debaters were Charles Wager, Kenneth Hand, Ulyss Mitchell, Lois Armentrout, Lyman Finley, Harry Parker, Myron Casky, and Kathleen Mason; orators were Reggie Carter and Kathleen Mason.

In 1923 Paul Hutchman took Miss L'Heureux's place as coach of debates and a championship team composed of the experienced debaters, Charles Wager and Kenneth Hand, were assisted by Clair Peiffer, Carl Pingry, Earl Edmiston, and Mac French, who argued the relative merits of the city manager plan, proving that even then the honest of the Pendegast regime was questioned.

Two years later (1925) the team was composed of Merceus Wade, Margaret Reid, Frances Davis, Paul Ham, Grant L. Pistorius, and Raymond Wiley take many honors under the able tutelage of Ruth Hutchman Lewis of the PHS English department, who also coached Frances Montee, orator.

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October, 1927

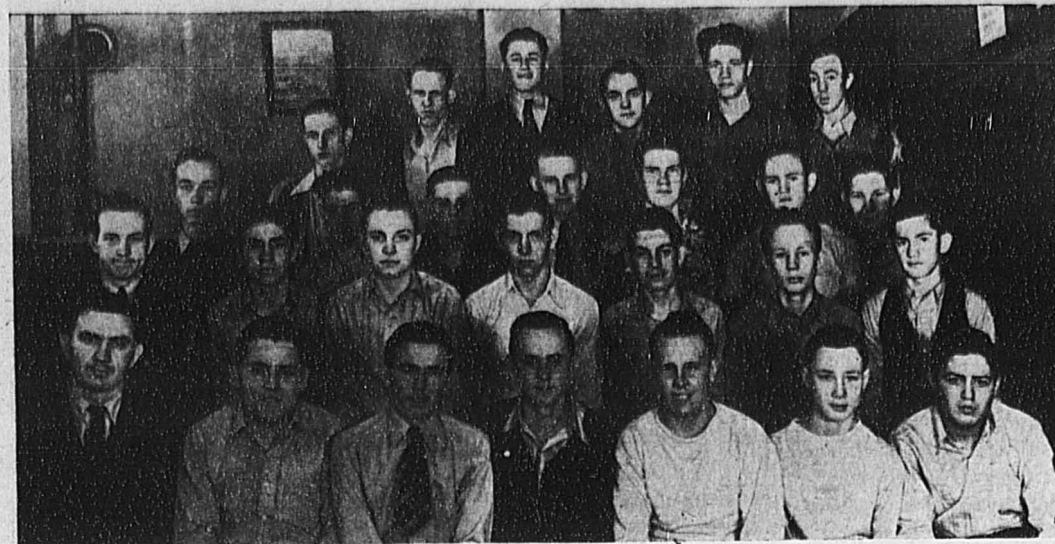
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queller. FORTH ROW: Tryon, Le-
master, Long, Martin, Rhorer, Grant.

and Harriette Scothorne, reader, for several successful contests.

Batten Wins K.C. Contest

By 1927 former PHS debaters of the first few years were graduated from college and successful pursuing careers. One of these, Albert Batten, won \$10 in one contest in oratory and \$50 in the Kansas City Star oratorical contest.

Installment buying, its relative merits and disadvantages, was the subject of the argument in 1930. Many experienced debaters as well as several outstanding new members made up the first squad. They were Clyde Kerley, Ruby Brous, Emil Menichetti, Henry Kerley, Irene Bertha Schlanger, Pat Kelley, and Leonard Brown. "The Rostum," official organ of the National Forensic League, honored Ruby Brous for having 288 speech points in the league.

In 1931 the sixteen members of the PHS debate squad tied for second in the SEK tournament in Parsons. Defeating Pittsburg in the tournament was her ever-present rival from the north, Ft. Scott. Pat Kelley, Leonard Brown, Milton Zacharias, and Frank Gavin broke paper sacks and weighted different bars of soap in their discussions of the chain store problem.

Row Assumes Duties in 1931
It was that year that William (Bill) Row first came to PHS and under him Milton Zacharias won first, and Leonard Brown took second in the state extemp contest. This entitled Milton to attend the National Contest in Ripon, Wisconsin. Receiving the Degree of Distinction of NFL were Pat Kelley, By Anita Ray

"Time marches backward" in our column this week. We want to rattle the old skeleton and give a bit of real juicy gossip on our P.H.S. students as reported in the Booster from 1926 to 1940. Here goes.

Oh my! It certainly is serious when Lee Hynds, Elmer Ligon, Roberta Nelson and Lavin Stunbrook can't even get along for one night without each other. When they do fall, they certainly fall hard.

November, 1926

Many astonishing looks passed from face to face as that great sport and screen lover, Helen French, arose in the history class and proclaimed that some of the notable accomplishments of the past year were the swimming of the English Channel by Gertrude Ederle and death of Rudolph Valentino.

October, 1927

"It's not the school," said Lee Hynds, smiling at Mr. Hutchinson as he passed by, "it's just the principal of the thing."

October, 1926

Lavin Spragg and five other girls hiked to "Wild Cat Springs" last Sunday.

October, 1926

Curt Lamb lost forty pounds last week. Somebody shot his dog.

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News Events of the Present Year as Seen Through the Lens of the Booster Camera



MECHANICS The last two Home Mechanics for girls. Mr. Collie is in charge this year. A new course has been under operation in P H S called Pictured here are the girls who were enrolled in the class the second semester of this year.



BRAINWORK With the coming of school dancing came a problem. There were those who did not care to dance, but the school was sponsoring social activities. The answer was the game room, where students could play different kinds of games to supplement dancing.

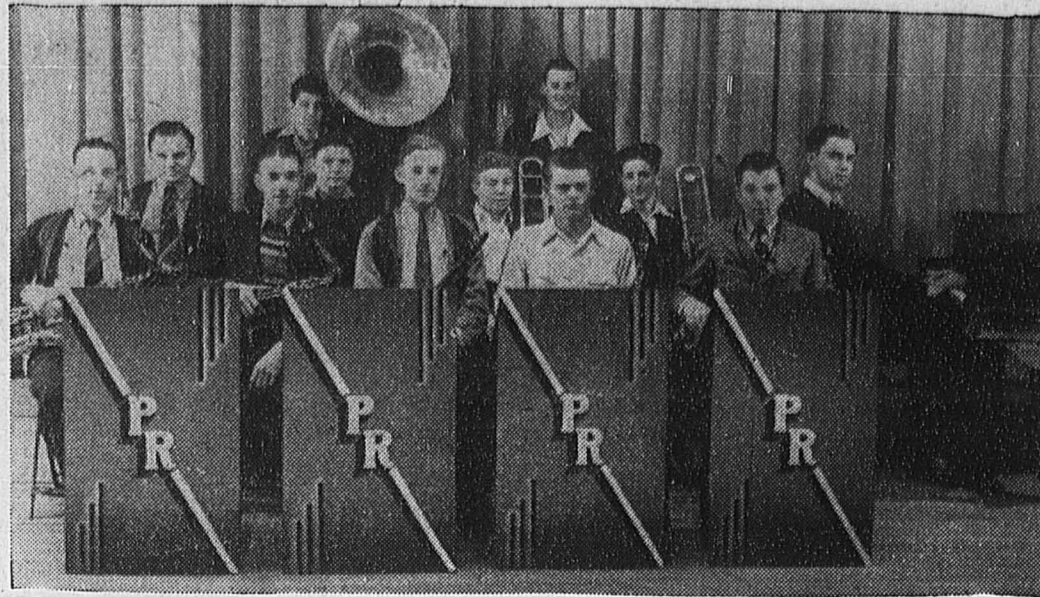


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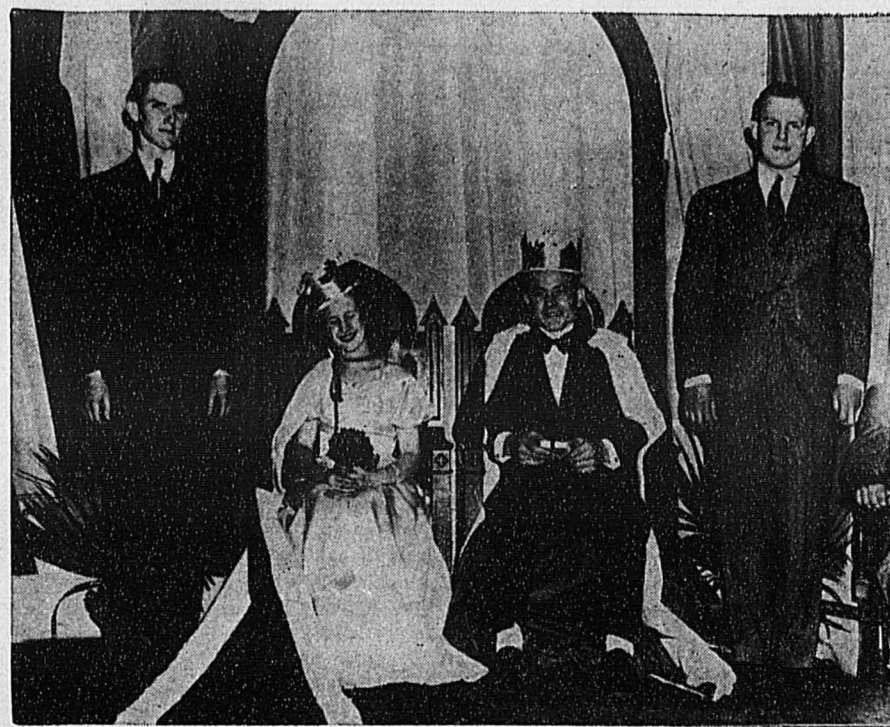


GIRL RESERVES Most of the girls in the high school belong to "GR". On the right is Miss Gable, head sponsor of the organization. Next to her is Laurel Helen Ellsworth, president this year.

—BOOSTER LECTRO CUT



SWING A new organization in the school appeared this year with the advent of school dances. This band is called "Hutchie's Hot Shots." They swing at all the dances and have provided a real service to the school in that they play without compensation. Members of the band are: Harry Stephenson, Harvey Lannier, Jack Cremer, Bob Briggs, Eugene Vietti, Jack Barbier, D. W. Cheek, Bruce Washburn, Theron Troxel, Robert Johnson, Jerome Degan, and John Rule.



ROYALTY In the Purple and White's annual King and Queen contest, Barbara Williams and A.M. Brim were the victors. Their coronation took place in Marchbanks and Gene Coppedge, the gym and was followed by business managers of the annual. The first coronation ball, Stand-nal, ing beside them here are Jim



D.A.R. Selected from a group of girls nominated by the students to go on a D.A.R. trip was Ida Louise Rush, outstanding senior and first editor of this year's Booster.



SOPHIES For many months, we wondered if the sophomores were going to have an election of officers. But they finally did and elected these students. Left to right: Bert Rogers, treasurer; Lucretia Askins, secretary; Jean Helbig, vice-president; and J.O. Biggs, president.



ARGUMENTS For his first in PHS, Mr. Tewell produced a fine debate team. For the first time in many years, Pittsburg showed up in the winning column of some tournaments. Here is the group who made the trip to Topeka. H. B. Cheyne, Albert Hopper, Bob Akey, Charles Davis, Naida Chandler, Margaret Agnes Naylor, Georgeanne Switzer, and Jane Pratt. The season was capped by winning the SEK tourney at Parsons.



LEAP YEAR — novel event in this school year's program was Sadie Hawkins Week. It was a leap year idea, the girls doing all the asking for dates. Mr. Tewell produced an assembly program which portrayed the life of Sadie Hawkins. Here are the leads in the cast: Charles Davis, Shirley Gay, Jim Marchbanks, Beverly Vercoglio, and Barbara Williams.

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May 15 — Rainbow initiation — Masonic Temple, 7:30
 May 16 — DeMolay formal
 May 17 — Junior-Senior frolic, Lincoln Park; Senior banquet—gymnasium, 6:30 Sub-deb Dance — Lincoln Park Auditorium, 10 pm.
 May 19 — Baccalaureate Service — Carney Hall, K. S. T. C. 8 pm.
 May 22 — Bowling banquet, Y. M. C. A., 6:30
 May 23 — Commencement, Carney Hall, K. S. T. C. 8:00. Senior Dance.
 May 24 — Sigma Delta Chi formal

Debonaires Plan Bicycle Party

The Debonaire Club met Tuesday, May 7, at the home of Virginia Oredker. A bicycle party was planned for Sunday, May 12. All members were present. The next meeting will be held at Dorothy Redfurns, Monday, May 13.

Twelve Til Club

The Twelve-til club met Wednesday night, May 8, at Margaret Agnes Naylor's home. Bridge was played. Refreshments were served. Members present were: June Mardell Lowe, Mardell Mangrum, Barbara Williams, Louise Pyle, Naida Chandler, Wilma Jean Dean, Sarah Graso, Anita Ray, Lois Mae Williamson, Joyce Henney, and the hostess. Madlyn Osterfelt is to have the next meeting.

Sub-Deb Sport Dance

Sport dance is to be given May 17, following the Senior banquet, by the Sub Deb Club. The dance is to be at the Lincoln Park Auditorium, and Eddie Strickler's orchestra is to furnish the music. Tickets are fifty cents a couple and are on sale with each of the members.

Sub Deb Luncheon

Sub Deb meeting was held at the home of Irene Bennett, Monday evening, April 30. Plans were made for a dance to be given after the Senior banquet May 17 from ten till one. The dance will be held at the Lincoln Park auditorium with Eddie Strickler's orchestra furnishing the music.

A cold luncheon was served to fourteen guests. Next meeting will be held at Shirley Ainsworth's.

Senior Banquet May 17.

A banquet for the seniors is to be given Friday evening, May 17, in the Roosevelt gymnasium. The banquet is to start at 6:30. Junior girls will serve. Ticket will be on sale in the home rooms and will be fifteen cents a person.

Pi Eppi Pi Club Meets

A business meeting of the Pi Eppi Pi Club was held on May 2 at the home of Betty Montgomery. Refreshments were served to the following members: Eudene Mingori, Mary Pauline Guinn, Betty Center, Mary Lou Innis, Virginia Landers, Verna Matney, Udene Smith, and the hostess.

Formal Dance To Be May 24

A formal dance is to be given by the Sigma Delta Chi Friday night, May 24 at the Country Club. Tickets are to be fifty cents a couple, and all members will have tickets for sale. Everyone is invited.

Plan Summer Trip

Dorothy Elliott entertained the Foolish Fems at her home, May 6. Games were played. Plans for a summer trip that the girls are going to make to Noel Mo., were discussed. It was decided that they would spend four days on the trip. Next meeting is to be at Arleen Kirby's home.

Discuss Plans For Private Dance

The Silly Gramma Foos met at Janet Malcolm's home at 7:15 Monday evening. They discussed plans for a private dinner-dance at the Country Club scheduled for May 18, and the hostess.

Sophomore (talking about the disadvantage of studying at home): "Yes I have to listen to the family with one ear and write with the other."

—Purple & White 1912

"You say Murne married Do Goof because of his figure? Why, he's fat and even bow-legged."
 "I know but his figure runs into six numerals."

—Booster 1938

REMEMBER

THE SPOT

Will still be the spot for good eats after school is out

Across From High School

John Grassi

Coronation Ball All-School Dance Chief Social Events

Coming events cast their shadows before, but here are some past events which cast longer lasting shadows in some minds than any future happening ever will.

Remember, girls, when school began this year, the Girl Reserves had their yearly "mixer." That was October 9. The Girl Reserve cabinet planned games and other entertainment. On October 23, boys, remember the Hi-Y spaghetti feed? Then came the senior party, a pleasant memory for the last year in PHS. At that time Mr. Thorpe started the students dancing.

Sub Debs Give First Dance

The first social dance of the year was the Halloween dance on October 30, given by the Sub Deb Club, one of the many clubs formed by the high school girls. If you are a Rainbow Girl, you'll remember November 11 as the night of the fifth annual Founder's Day Banquet, held at the Stillwell Hotel. On the night of November 17, Pittsburg high school held its first all school dance in the Roosevelt Gym.

Juniors Have Dinner-Dance

A memory to the juniors is the junior dinner-dance on December 5. Their dinner was in the library, which was decorated with the junior colors, crimson and gold. After the dinner they danced in the little theater. The all-school dance on December 15 will be remembered for the privilege of having on orchestra. Ab Sell played.

The Christmas formal this year was given by the Sub Deb club. Eddie Strickler's orchestra played for it at the Eagles hall. The Sigma Delta Chi's gave the New Year's Dance in the Collegiate room of the Hotel Besse. It was the fifth year the Sigma Deltas have given the early morning dance. This one lasted from three a. m. to seven a. m.

Third All-School Dance Given

On January 5 another all-school party was given. Then on February 2, a gala Sadie Hawkins' Day dance was held especially for the girls. They had the privilege of escorting the boys and tagging. Do you remember that??

The De Molays gave a dance in the Eagles Hall from nine to twelve, February 12. The 15 of March saw another all-school dance, then on the evening of April 1 the Twelve 'Til's gave an April Fool dance at the Eagle's Hall.

The last social dance date was the Sigma Delta gingham dance in the Lincoln Park auditorium. This was the 18 of April.

Claire A: (Calling to Dale on the flag pole): "Lookout, Dale, don't come down that ladder, I took it away."

—Purple & White 1919

Bob Clements: "Where did you get those sweet little dimples?"
 Evelyn Bates: "By sleeping on collar buttons all right."

—Booster 1928

She—"My, what a dark room."
 Floyd S.—"Yes, here's where things develop."

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The King and Queen Swing Out



—BOOSTER LECTROUT

The coronation of the king and queen of the Purple and White this year was different from preceding years in that the affair was a ball. After their majesties were duly initiated, the music started and A. M. and Barbara strolled onto the dance floor and began to dance. The rest of the students followed suit. The photographer caught them as they began to truck it around.

Girl Athletes in 1915 Wore Middies, Skirts, And Long, Black, Hose

By Margaret Nail

Times have changed greatly since our mother attended school. When we get out the old family albums and annuals, we were astonished to find some curious looking articles of clothing. Among the most fascinating, we find that the athletic styles have changed, perhaps more than any other type of garment.

Girls basketball outfits held the spotlight back in 1915. Black, hip-length middies, worn over black, full, pleated skirts constituted a regulation ensemble. Long black hose and white tennis shoes completed the outfit.

Bows Complete Suits

Similar costumes were still in style until the early '20's. However, long, pleated, bloomers were seen more than the skirts. Frowns and uplifted eyebrows were very much in evidence when the bloomers were not worn just above the knees. A colored ribbon tied in an enormous bow was popular as a head decoration.

The early '30's brought about quite a change in the outfits. Shorter sleeves were seen in the middies. Bloomers also were worn shorter. The long black stockings were worn knee-length. Head decorations had been entirely discarded.

Now, in 1920, the costumes have changed even more. Some girls wear short, black bloomers, white, short-sleeved blouses, white tennis shoes and white anklets. Other outfits consist of a one piece ensemble usually made of blue cotton material.

Bathing Suits Like Dresses
 Aside from the athletic styles, there were various other oddities compared to those of the present. The lovely bathing beauty of the pre-suntan era usually made the beach

rampant with glamor around in 1915. Her charming outfit resembled a dress more than our present type of bathing suit.

The stylish bathing suit was made of heavy serge-like material, with a knee length skirt and bloomers attached. Sleeves and a collar were considered a necessity. Long black cotton stockings, held in place by the elastic bands of the bloomers together with black shoes made the outfit complete.

Johnnie—"Grandpa, will you make a noise like a frog?"
 Grandpa—"What for, my boy?"
 Johnnie—"Why, Pa says we'll get \$10,000,000 when you croak."

—Purple & White 1912

"Oh, that joke is as old as the hills," is a common phrase heard while in the corridors of P. H. S. Perhaps some of these jokes originated from the pages of the Booster ten years ago or from the Purple and White twenty-five years ago.

As Professor Kay Kaiser might phrase it, "The following jokes are the ones written by students of the past years so come on chilluns, let's read."

Charles Hall was trying to sharpen his pencil and had been grinding for about three minutes when Mr. Nation turned around—"Charles, if you want to make kindling, I'll give you a job."



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People

This type of column, as all will say, is the kind which the writer must write accurately, and then take the earliest train from town to escape the wrath of those who have guarded carefully the secrets of their high school days. And so with trembling fingers and tongue in cheek, we'll start with the more recent of the graduates to those farther back. The Purple and White is the chief reference book, so let's go!

A Pretty Girl

We've chosen 1931 for our starting year in this trip. A-ha! Here's a pretty girl—let's see, she's taking a commercial course and here's the verse written about her, "Mary is one of the finest of P.H.S. products." In the list of her activities, she was a member of the National Honor Society, a Girl Reserve, member of the Literary Club, and on the annual staff in her senior year. At the present you'll find her busily and efficiently at work at her job in the P.H.S. principal's office. Yes, we thought you'd know Mary Nelson.

Tarzan

Here's "Tarzan" peeking from the senior panels in the 1929 annual. We're sure he simply loves to have us bring this nickname to light, but maybe he won't mind too much. This is the verse written under his name, "Love is like the measles, we all have to go through it." According to the little words beneath this, he was vice-president of the debate club during his sophomore and junior years. He also went out for football, Hi-Y, and Glee Club. Being quite a track man, he ran the 100, 220 and 440 yard dashes. He hasn't been back to his home town so very long, so maybe you don't know this up and coming dentist, Dr. H. P. Killough.

Intellectual

1927—let's see, yes, thirteen years ago. Well, well, see if you can guess who this is. (Here's a hint, he's one of the teachers up here at P. H. S.) Him-m, it says— "A little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men." We believe they knew what they were talking about, then, for he's a lot of fun to be around. Taking a classical course, he was also on the honor roll, member of the National Honor Society, president of Hi-Y, and on the orchestra and band rosters. As we said before, he's a teacher and tries to "learn" us all about who discovered America; who cut down the cherry tree, and what happened in the Civil War. If you're

ready to give up now, we'll just tell you it's our history teacher, Ellsworth Briggs.

Handsome

"We couldn't have gotten along without him, what will the 1923'ers do?" Maybe you've guessed that this person was from the class of 1922. From his picture he was really a handsome fellow and still is. Apparently his nickname's "Louie" for that's what's in the Purple and White. He's quite a journalist for he was Editor of the Booster for the year, and is now City Editor of the Pittsburg Sun. He, also, seemed to find time to be Assistant Editor of the Purple and White, be in the senior play, and president of the Junior class. You probably don't see Charles Louis Stroup very often, for we hear he's quite a busy editor!

Red-head

Did you ever hear of the man nicknamed "Strawberry," in the class of 1920? Gathering all the evidence in the Purple and White, his verse reads, "The blush is beautiful, but it is sometimes inconvenient." At the back of the book are the senior jokes. Here's one that says: "Wanted-A dye for hair" (any color is better than the present). This red-head Editor of the Purple and White, president of the Senior class, on the Booster staff, and in the Senior play. Troy Lane is now a successful grocer in the south part of town and a member of the school board.

Chatterbox

Well—what have we here? Another P.H.S. teacher, we do believe! 1919—here it says her nickname is "Tom" and "She cannot be silent. In a discussion she shows neither reserve nor shyness." She was Associate Editor of the Booster and an honor student. One day she made history apparently, since in the back of the annual it lists September 29—"Twas reported that Maude Laney, by a process of self-hypnotism, kept her tongue quiet for five minutes. This fact has not yet been confirmed."

By Ida Louise Rush

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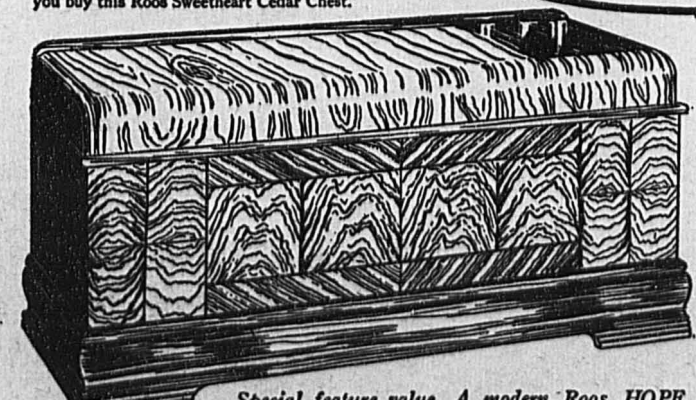
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Events in PHS as Shown by the News Camera



LEGISLATORS— In 1939 the Student Council dedicated its tree to the champion basketball team. Here they are en masse on the dedication day. In the center in the striped shirt is President Joe Stephens.



THE DRAMA— Assembled here are the troupers who made up the cast of "The Swan," last year's Senior Play. The play was a serious nature.



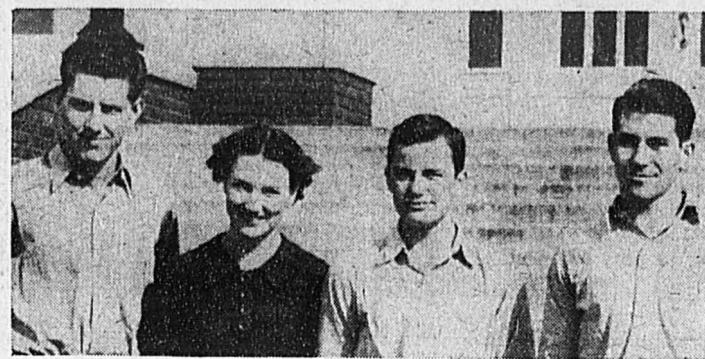
ORATORS— This solemn appearing group is the debate team of a couple of years ago. Two sophomores and two seniors. Bob Akey and Jim Marchbanks on the left

and Bailey Williams and Bob Pratt on the right. The smiling gentleman in the middle is Mr. William Row, former debate teacher, who was replaced by Mr. Tewell this

year. Mr. Row is now at Tulsa High School. Bob and Jim were star debaters again this year, although they did not work as a team.



ACTORS ALL— This might seem like ancient history to you. It is the Senior Play of two years ago, "He Comes Up Smiling". Miss Laney coached the cast.



GOVERNMENT—The statesmen of the years 1937-8. They are the Senior Class Officers. "Slick" Steele, Francis Hunt, Johnnie Duncan, and Carl Beard. You guess which is which.



QUEEN— In the annual Coal Festival of last year, the students elected Mary Morgan as the Coal Queen. Mary was in the Student Council last year, and this year she was runner-up in the Kanza Queen contest at the College.



PREXY— Here is the formal dedication of the tree last year by Student Council President Joe Stephens. He is shown breaking the champagne bottle on the stone.



MORE TROUPERS— This group presented the Junior Play last year. It was entitled "Big Hearted Herbert". The coach was Mr. Row. In the front row from left to right we find: Bill Graue, Mary Margaret Kerr, Naida Chandler, Shirley Ann Gay, Margaret Agnes Naylor, Elanor Keplinger, Charlotte Sparks and Jim Marchbanks. In back of them we find: Philip Norman, Bruce Washburn, Bill Staley, Joe Mingori and Charles Davis.



EXECUTIVES— about two years ago, these were the boys who ruled the Junior Class. The iron

fisted monsters are: David Cunningham, George Din'en, Homer Little, Bob Little, Homer Little

and Dave Cunningham were Seniors officers the next year, Dave being President



MUSICIANS— Although we couldn't prove it, this is the band

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Strutting and twirling in front of the band, the majorettes add color and variety to the band, headed by Jack Broadhurst, George Pogson, and Bill Conover, drum majors.

Naida June "Pinky" Brannum, tall blue eyed, red haired senior, twirls the baton with the greatest of ease. Pinky is tall and slender and marches very gracefully. Her winning personality accounts for her great number of friends. Pinky is rather quiet but admits that she talks a-plenty when her temper is aroused. She is a senior, so this was her last year marching with the band.

Pauline Elias, "that rhythm gal," is one majorette that puts a "swing" into her marching style. Polly, tall, with dark hair and eyes, is the drum major for the Legion Junior Drum Corps so marching is just an every day occurrence in her life. This accounts for her "I'm at home" manner when she marches. Polly is a junior this year, and next year P.H.S. will be glad to have her back.

Barbara Cornelius, more widely known as the 1940 Coal Queen of PHS marches along with the band as dainty and with as much dignity as a Queen should. With charming and ever-ready smile, along with a flash of pretty dark eyes, Barbara has won many friends. She is a senior, so P. H. S. will not be benefitted with her presence next year.

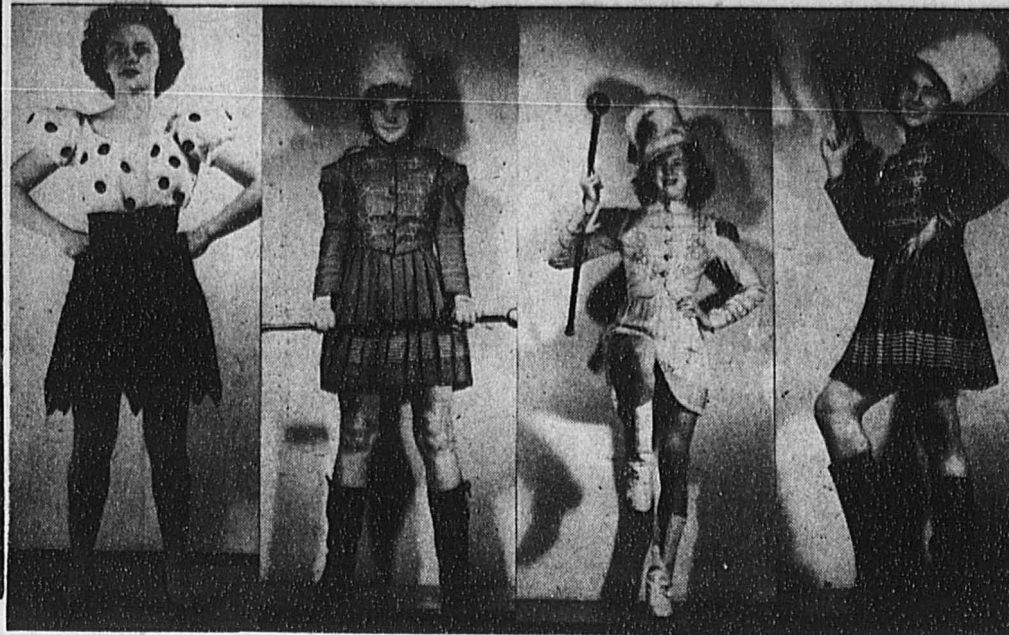
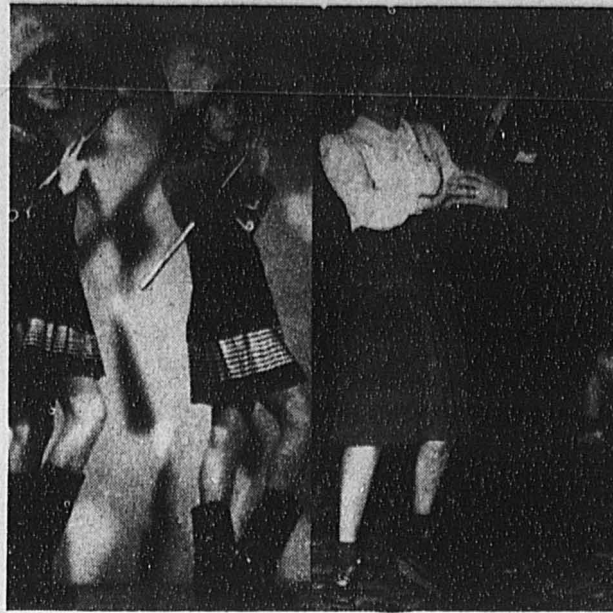
Rebadean Stroud, so small and doll like, twirls that baton as though it were a toothpick. Reba is the smallest of the majorettes and the only blond in the group. Reba has had experience in marching while being a drum major in the V. F. W. drum corps. Being a senior this year, Reba will not be back majoretting next year.

Nadine Pethel, with brown hair and gray eyes, is so enthusiastic about twirling that she has ventured to twirl the baton while skating. Nadine has her own clever style of marching which she developed while marching with the Legion Drum corps, too. She is looking forward to marching with the band next year as she is a junior now.

To be a nurse is the great ambition of Beatrice Bevins who is another majorette. Tall, slender, and a brunette, one might say that Beatrice is the typical drum majorette. She is rather quiet but has winning ways after she gets acquainted. Beatrice thinks it lots of fun to twirl, and so she hates to bid farewell to P. H. S. this year.

So as the school year draws near to the end, the students can remember the drum majorettes as they participated in the football and basketball games, in parades and at any time they were called on. P. H. S. should be very proud of these drum majorettes for their untiring efforts.

Eight Glamor Girls And A Man On Parade



Here you see the luckiest man in the world surrounded by feminine pulchritude. They re left to right- top row: Barbara Cornelius... Rebadean Stroud, Betty Forrester, Jack Van Hoy, Shirley Gay, Beatrice Bevins, Nadia June Brannum... Nadine. Pethel... Nadine

Pethel and Pauline Elias are in the small cut on the left. The six beauties in uniform are drum majorettes. The dancing couple was caught by the candid camera at one of the school dances. Shirley Gay, as Daisy Mae, has that determined gleam in her eyes as she goes after her man. (Advertiser Pix)



Charles Duncan and Jackie Gore have turned their attention elsewhere at the present, and Jackie and Leo Eason are hitting it off pretty well. March, 1936

Carl--"Where are you going?" Watts--"To the deaf, dumb and blind asylum." Carl--"What for?" Watts--"To get a couple of chaperones."

Charles Benelli: "I want the life of Caesar." Miss Farnier: "Sorry, but Brutus beat you to it." ---Booster 1926

Pointless Fads Keep People Happy

Knock-knock. Who's there? Popeye. Popeye who? Pop, I need ten bucks. Remember those old "knock-knocks" that was the school's pride and joy about five years ago? All through the ages there has been some sort of fad to keep the people happy and contented.

A few years before "knock-knocks" came into existence, it was considered just the right thing to do to run up to a friend and shout, "How's business?" or "What do you know?" Trailer Conventions Are Nuts

Trailer conventions held the front page for about a year; then, they, also, were doing good to get a place on the back page, and they faded away like all of the rest. "A goo in the hand is worth two foo in the bush." For about six months, people shouted "foo-goo" to everyone they saw. "Foo-goo didn't stay in long, for next we were hearing "Hi, Bob, what do you hear from de mob?" There were several variations of the phrase for instance, "Hi ya, Slug, what do you hear from de money-box?" or "Hi ya, corn, what do you hear from de cob?"

Pointless jokes were being born a-

bout this time. Ever hear about the man who went into a restaurant and said, "What kind of pie do you have?" "Apple and cherry," said the proprietor. "I'll take apple," said the man. Pointless Jokes Nearly Breaks Records No point to it but people laughed. Pointless jokes broke nearly all records for fads, but they have died, now. Pointless jokes gave way to Confucius sayings. "Confucius say that man who want pretty nurse must be patient." Also, about this time we're hearing, "Why did the little pig eat so much?"

"I dunno--why?" "Because he wanted to make a big hog of himself." When we look back and think of all of the crazy things we used to laugh at, we get hot about the ears and think, "Gee how dumb. Fad are wonderful things, what would we do without them?"

First Boy: "My pa's got a wooden leg." Second Boy: "That's nothing my sisters got a cedar chest." ---Booster 1932

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Breaking over at last, Marshall Chambers has decided upon Sue Meglothin for the one. One by one the fraternity of the W. H. is losing its members. February, 1936

The Cornelius family is certainly getting along these days. Barbara has been going high wide and handsome with Jack Mitchell, and, now, it seems that Shirley and Tommy Loftus are hitting it off together. Well, truck on down, kids, you'll get along.

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Finley Describes Achievements Of Booster

On this twenty-fifth anniversary of the Booster we pause to review its achievements and career. The biggest share of credit should undoubtedly go to its founder, Miss Laura Finley, now Mrs. H. E. Smith of Emporia. Let's go to the Booster's childhood days' as she tells the story in her own words:

"I recall that the paper was a project of my fourth year class in English literature, encouraged by the Principal and the superintendent, and approved by the faculty members in that they cooperated most cordially in the gathering of school news and items of departmental interest. Lloyd Killough '16 was the first editor.

The name was chosen by a vote of the class, its proponents declaring that a school paper should be a real "Booster" for everything that was for the best interest of the high school.

"We found that we had undertaken a pretty stiff job, for in addition to putting out a four-page, four column paper every other week, we had to finish the regular fourth year English work.

"When school began in the fall of 1916, a class in journalism was organized with a text book for study and a larger reference library. A weekly paper was expensive, advertising not year, though I think not at the very beginning. I remember we had many difficulties financing the paper. The printing had to be done down town, paper was expensive, advertising not always easy to get, and subscription rates were necessarily low.

Were Caused Hardships
"I have an indistinct memory that

the school administration had to come to our aid occasionally, especially during the World War years, when prices for labor and material soared.

"After a few years of permitting anyone who wished to enroll in journalism, the plan of selection for ability and dependability was tried out with excellent results. There have gone out of the Booster staff into the field of journalism, a large number who have brought honor to themselves and to the school in their chosen career. It is a great satisfaction to me to feel that they received their inspiration and love for newspaper work through their experience on the Booster staff."

Life of Founder Varied
And now, let's take a glance into the life of the founder of our Booster. At the age of ten, she came to Kansas with her parents. Her father was a Union soldier and chief musician of his regiment.

After a year at the State Normal College at Emporia, she began teaching in country and village schools. Upon obtaining her Life Diploma, she taught in a Russell high school for six years.

In 1903 she taught English and Latin for one year in Pittsburg. She then resigned to work in their brother's book store. In 1908 she was called back to P. H. S. where she taught until her marriage in 1929. In the meantime she obtained her B. S. degree from K. S. T. C. and her Master's degree from the University of Colorado.

During her years of teaching, she recalls, she taught nearly every subject in the high school curriculum, although she declares she always had a preference for English and journalism. These many events in the life of Mrs. Smith have all added up to give her a full and useful life.

Mother Owsley...."Go wash your face and neck."
Lowell ditto...."Neck who?"
Purple and White, 1927

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, Pittsburg, Kansas, has recently purchased a tract of land approximately 282' x 300' straight East of the present High School Athletic Field for additional playground purposes and has recently requested the City Commission to close that part of Elm Street, which now separates the present High School Athletic Field from the newly acquired playground, in order that the Athletic Field and playground may be in one continuous tract, and

WHEREAS, There has been some opposition filed with the City Commission opposing the closing of Elm Street between 12th and 13th Streets, this opposition stating that plans were being made to make an overpass on Elm Street over the Missouri Pacific Railway and make Elm Street a trafficway through the City thereby relieving congestion on Broadway, and

WHEREAS, It has been openly stated that the main objections to the closing of Elm Street is that it would prevent the building of an overpass over the Missouri Pacific Railway on Elm Street, thereby blocking the plan of making a trafficway through the City, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education, being interested in the welfare of the school children of this community as well as the taxpayers, desires to call attention to the fact that Elm Street passes the Lincoln School playground, the Roosevelt Junior High School playground, the St. Mary's School playground and the Washington School playground, thereby creating a hazard for the school children during their play periods and necessitating the use of stop signs at each of these schools on the proposed Elm Street trafficway. The Board of Ed-

ucation also desires to call attention to the fact that Broadway is the widest street in the City and is adequate to take care of the traffic through the City; Elm Street being narrow would necessitate the purchasing of additional land on either side of the street to make the street wide enough to be available for the trafficway. There would also be an additional cost for building the overpass.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That We, the members of the Board of Education of the City of Pittsburg, Kansas, do earnestly and sincerely again petition the Honorable City Commission to close Elm Street between 12th and 13th Streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the said Board of Education oppose making Elm Street a trafficway through the City and the building of an overpass over the Missouri Pacific Railway on Elm Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these Resolutions be made a matter of record of the Board of Education, a copy sent to the City Commission and a copy be offered to the local press for publication.

Dated at Pittsburg, Kansas, this 15th day of April 1940.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Pittsburg, Kansas.
The above Resolutions were adopted by the Board of Education, April 15, 1940.

Thelma Werme,
Clerk, Board of Education.

John Toeller....I play end, guard, and tackle. Sit on the end of the bench, guard the helmets and tackle the water bucket.

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Operettas Offer Variety Of Entertainment

By H. B. Cheyne

In looking back over 25 years of operetta productions in Pittsburg High School, we find not only a wide variety of entertainment, but a steady increase in their excellence.

Beginning with 1915, we find the theme running toward Japanese fantasy in "The Japanese Girl." This production can be appreciated more if you know that the members themselves paid for the music!

Five years later in 1920 a change in mood was offered in "Silvia," a mythological ballet in three acts. Much interpretive dancing was necessary in this performance, as it was a ballet, and although it was probably more difficult it was really very beautiful.

"The Gypsy Rover" Presented

Carefree roving gypsies was the variation in operatic entertainment "Gypsy Rover," 1925, with its enticing music and enchanting atmosphere, attracted great interest throughout. Not only was the music very enjoyable but the plot was very human and warm.

In 1927, with a more modern and American twist to it, the college romance, "Once in a Blue Moon," was presented. Mr. Clyde Hartford's wife directed the vocal music of the operetta.

Two years later, with "Tulip Time," came the clack, clack of wooden Dutch shoes and all the quaint pleasantries of Holland. This year 1929, incidentally was Gerald M. Carney's first year as music instructor at Pittsburg High School. This production was Carney's first "headache," but we imagine it was enjoyable.

Pageant Honors Washington

In 1932, on Washington's two hundredth birthday anniversary, the entire school system of Pittsburg combined to perform in a patriotic pageant of George Washington's life. Mr. Rowe, the high school speech instructor, directed the pageant, with Miss Dorothy McPherson assisting.

The year 1934 marks the beginning of what may well be called the Gilbert and Sullivan era of P.H.S. musical productions. For years Gilbert and Sullivan operettas have been used for the annual musical comedies and have proved to be very popular.

The year 1934 saw "H.M.S. Pinafore" the British maritime romance presented in fine style. Of course the scenery and other stage facilities were not as good as those we have now, but the acting talent was of just as fine calibre as we have now.

Gilbert and Sullivan Are Favorites

In the succeeding years 1935, '36, '38, and '39, "The Pirates of Penzance," "The Mikado," "The Gondoliers," and "H.M.S. Pinafore" were given respectively.

A break in the succession occurred when the "Chimes of Normandy" produced the entertainment in 1937.

This period of Gilbert and Sullivan works has given a high standard entertainment and musical training to P. H. S., and Carney deserves much credit for his wise choice of these operettas.

This year the French opera, "Erminie," probably was an example of the finest musical work to be accomplished by high school students anywhere. At any rate, after looking back over 25 years of Pittsburg High School's musical history, we find we have advanced far in trying to attain the highest standard of musical training.

"Be prepared, and your time will come," seems to be George Young's motto concerning Virginia Strecker. George is still waiting, Virginia."

October, 1935

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May 11
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May 12
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May 13
Don Schwab, Barbara Williams, Harold Duff, Mildred Sherman, John Walton.
May 14
Betty Berehtold, Don Presley.
May 17
Dorothy Anderson, Frank Freeto, Junior Masquelier.
May 18
Don Gray, Jack Delmaide
May 19
Louis Masoglia
May 22
Geraldine Turpin, Virginia Davis
May 23
Wanda Maier, Retha Millions, Max Yeske
May 24
Roy Thompson, Bert Rogers

Orchestra Has Grown Steadily In Size, Quality

By Wilma Williamson

The PHS orchestra was organized in 1921 with eighteen pieces. It won second place the same year, and the following year, won second place in class B at the Interstate Music Contest. The next year, it was composed of sixty pieces and entered as a class A orchestra.

1924 saw the orchestra increased to seventy members. Several new pieces were added to the orchestra: oboe, bassoon, French horn and viola. The orchestra had fifty-seven pieces and the band fifty-two in 1928. Their director that year was John Burnham who came from Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Carney Directs Orchestra

The orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Carney, had one of its most successful years in 1929. It had seventy members with full instrumentation and tied for third in the KSTC music contest. The band made a trip to Girard to play at the Halloween celebration there. In 1931, the band went to the American Stock Show at Parsons. They played for the football games and entered the SEK Musical Festival for the third consecutive time.

Gave Double Concert

The orchestra and band gave a double concert shortly before they represented PHS in the KSTC contest. The orchestra closed the concert by playing the first movement of the unfinished symphony by Schubert. This is the same selection the orchestra is playing this year at KSTC.

1933 saw one of the closest races between Pittsburg, Joplin and Fort Scott, in the history of the contest. Pittsburg got third by lack of a few points. An orchestra composed of PHS students and several old grads was an outstanding feature of 1933. It was similar to "Hutchies' Hot Shots."

Played For Cantata

In 1935, the orchestra played for the Christmas cantata. They opened the program with the overture, "The Merry Wife of Windsor," another selection the orchestra is playing at the KSTC contest this year.

A band concert was given in 1937 to raise money for uniforms. The band is well-known for being one of the few bands in the middle-west having only male members. They also went to the Fiesta at Joplin and took first prize of \$50. They displayed "precise marching and expert musicianship" was one of the comments.

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Hoffman Had Outstanding Basketball, Cage Career

By Kenneth Hunt

F. M. "Arkie" Hoffman, now head coach of both basketball and football, had an outstanding athletic career at Pittsburg high and at KSTC. He attended IHS in 1918 to 1923 and competed in basketball and football.

While in college, Arkie raised to the heights of glory on the gridiron and the basketball court, as he was again a two sport man. He received his Bachelor of Science degree and thirty hours of his Master of Science degree from the local college.

In basketball Arkie again held down the center position, but it was not until his junior and senior years that he made his outstanding records. He was placed on the All-State college team for three successive years and in 1928 made the second All-American team.

Arkie captained the college team in 1925, and after graduation from college he played one year of amateur basketball with the Wichita Henry's who won the national Championship during the year Arkie played. It was playing with this team that he won All-American honors.

His first year of coaching was in Texas where he coached basketball and baseball. After gaining one year of experience managing teams, he returned to Pittsburg High as an assistant to Charles Morgan, who at that time was head coach of all sports. Arkie became head coach of both basketball and football in 1937.

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By Charles Davis

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Drafts rarely go above thirty-five, and the majority of the soldiers are college age. But there are those, too, who, though yet in high school, either because of great patriotism or because of the love of adventure and foolhardiness, that is ever with youth, volunteer their services in the navy. And so it was with Pittsburg High School in the days of 1917 and '18. The city of Pittsburg was in the front ranks of those who gave men to the armies. And of those who went to the fields of France, no less than three hundred and thirty-six allegiance to be exact.

Annual Dedication Patriotic

The dedication of the annual of the year 1918 reflects the spirit of the times. It reads, "To the boys over there in the trenches who are fighting for you and me ---To the boys over here

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Of this number, there were those who made the supreme sacrifice. To the service flag of PHS was added five gold stars, Lee Sailors, Ben Fuller, Robert Graham, John Randolph, and Max Fritz.

Buy Liberty Bonds

Many well-known citizens of Pittsburg today were in the ranks of this local army. The late John Blair, well-known insurance man who had a son in PHS Paul Byers, interior decorator; Paul Crowell, druggist; Troy Michie, who has a son, now, in school; the late Ed Patterson, former representative in Congress and uncle of Ida Louise Rush, senior, this year; and Clint Rankins, city water commissioner. The local American Legion post was named for Ben Fuller who was killed in action.

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Dragons Win Seventh Cage Crown This Year

By Joe Mingori

The 1939-1940 basketball season marked the seventh basketball championship for Pittsburg High School. The champions began with the 1920-1921 season. They were the city, district, and county champions, with C. C. Brown as the coach. The team consisted of such players as Frank "Arkie" Hoffman, Alan Lanyon, Johnny Davis, Earnest Sell, Frank Davis, and Arthur Van Houten.

The Pittsburg team was again the county champs for the 1921-1922 season. This year's team had the same coach and most of the players of the

played in the state of Kansas by a high school team. The team consisted of Ray Mueller, Don Gutteridge, Chet McCarty, Ralph Russell, Bob McDonald and Rudy Morosin.

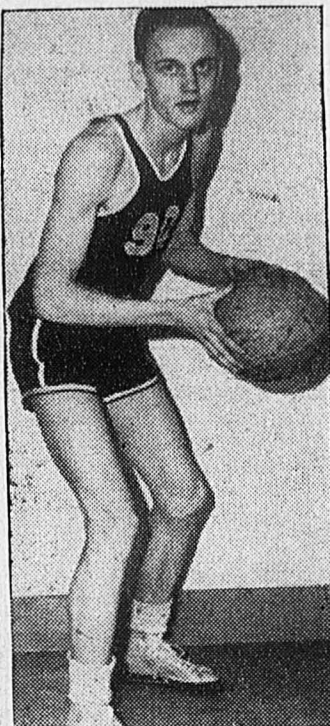
Snodgrass Leads Team To Victory
The first year that "Fritz" Snodgrass coached the basketball team, 1931-32, Pittsburg tied with Parsons for the SEK League Championship. The Dragon quintet lost only one game during the season. The team did not get to enter the Regional or State Tournament because of lack of funds. Such boys as Chet McCarthy, Clet Rankin, Joe Cumiskey, Bill Tuke, Nathan Newman, Junior Owsley, Rolie May, Joe Wilson, and May Maletz were on the team.

For the next seven years, Pittsburg High did not win a championship in basketball, but in the 1938-39 season Champion "Arkie Hoffman, who played on some of the PHS championship teams in the early twenties, was the coach. Raymond Lance Jack Broadhurst, Ned Tryon, Waymon Edwards, John Toeller, James Wells, Eugene Ridenour, and George Buffington were on the team.

Memorable Team In 1939
The next year, 1939-1940, Pittsburg High School tied with Coffeyville for the SEK-League Championship to climax the Championships. Although this team was not equal to last year's squad, it was one that will long be remembered in P.H.S. They won eleven league games and lost three.

Most of the games played were won or lost by one point. The team consisted of Raymond Lance, Jack Broadhurst, James Wells, Bill Poland, Francis Ryan, Harlan Peterson, Bill Waltz, Jimmy Gold, Robert Cobb, George Pogson, and Paul Ozbun. "Arkie" Hoffman and George Duerkes coached the team.

Dragon Cage Stars



The leading scorer of the Dragons basketball team this year was "Sharp shooter" Jack Broadhurst (above). Ray Lance (below) was the defensive star of the outfit, and with Jack, was the Pittsburg member of the SEK all-star team.



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preceding year's team. Prentice Gudgen, "Bunk" Bournonville and Idris Boltz were the newcomers. "Arkie" Hoffman, Alan Lanyon, Johnny Davis, Arthur Van Houten, and Frank Davis were the veterans.

Tie For Big—Seven Crown In 1926

Five years elapsed before Pittsburg High again won a basketball championship. With Charley Morgan as coach, it captured the SEK-league crown and tied with Coffeyville for the Big-7 league crown. During the season, they lost only one game, winning nine. The team scored 425 points against their opponents 244 points. A. Benedict, H. Carton, J. Mack, W. Weare, R. Briggs, P. Fisher, and W. Calvin made up the team.

Three years later, the Morganmen, again, were champions. They captured the SEK-League title, the Regional Class A Basketball Tournament Championship, and the State Consolation Tournament title. They lost only two games out of a twenty-four game schedule during the season.

It was one of the smallest teams ever to represent PHS but they played some of the best basketball ever

Aerial Attacks Plus Power Plays Make-up Football

All the mud and rain in the United States can't stop the great gridiron spectacle, football. All over the United States, football teams win and lose, but they still play. Football is not so old, but even as young as it is, it has undergone many changes from its beginning a rugby and eton.

Pittsburg High School, too, has always held football as one of the main sports of the world, and indulgence in this sport is regarded by every athletic-minded young boy in the school as a real game in which to participate.

At first, the grid classics were composed of husky, brutal men who could take it and dish it out. Mass plays would form and the team would go down the field, breaking the opponents line as if it were a straw. It is very injurious, and for this reason, the mass plays were soon forbidden.

Forward Pass New Rule

But to offset this change, it was ruled that a team could pass the ball forward, providing the passer was five yards behind the line of scrimmage. This "five yards behind the line" rule still holds good in college play, but in high school, the limit is the scrimmage line. The "onside kick" was, also, ruled into the game at the same time, allowing a defensive player to pick up a punted ball and run with it after it had touched the ground.

Another early rule, which was made to keep one team from keeping possession of the ball too long, was the rule that the team in possession of the ball must either advance it five yards or lose twenty yards within three downs to keep possession of it. This was later changed to ten yards, the loss was done away with, and the number of downs was increased to four.

New Rules For Touchbacks

Sometimes, the ball was fumbled over the opponents goal by an offensive team and recovered by the opponents behind their own goal line. This was called a touchback, and previously, the team had the choice of putting the ball in play or kicking it. This ruling was changed, and now the ball is put in play on the twenty yard line by the defensive team.

Ever since football began in Pittsburg High School, changes have been made in the football rules. Not only have the rules changed, but the schedule of games and coaching staff have, also, changed. The team has built up through the years until today the Dragons are one of best high school teams in Kansas.

Dragons Win Ten Grid Titles Against SEK Foes

By Joe Mingori

Pittsburg High School can boast of ten football championships. The 1920-1921 season was the first. That year, under the coaching of C. C. Brown, they worked their way to the state championship. Such boys as "Arkie" Hoffman, Johnny Davis, Kenneth Gibson, Alonza Leeper, "Play" Reed, Alan Lanyon, Earnie Sell, Grant Gibson, Carl Crelly, Wilburn Davis, and Charley Dill played on the Pittsburg squad.

In the 1921-1922 season they were champs again. The SEK league title belonged to them at the end of the season. About one-third of the players on the squad were veterans. The newcomers being Ab Sell, Arthur Van Houten, Harold Potter, Cleo Bell, Frank Thomas, Arthur Cooper, and Bill Gerye. Earnest Sell, "Arkie" Hoffman, Carl Crelly, and Alonza Leeper were team.

Charley Morgan Was New Coach

The 1922-1923 season was not a championship year for P.H.S., but in the 1923-1924 season, under the coaching of Charley Morgan, they were undefeated and SEK-league champions. It was the best season up to that time. The team consisted of "Chief" Armstrong, Cleo Bell, "Bunk" Bournonville, "Ide" Blotz, "Gob" Weare, "Fug" Thomas, Ralph Garriot, "Fat" Graham, "Gine" Stewart, "Silent" Stuck, and "Alex" Jendritz.

The following year 1924-1925, the Pittsburg Dragons were, again, undefeated. They won the SEK-league championship. Charley Morgan was still the coach. About one-half of the boys of the 1923-24 squad were still playing. Charley Huntington, Harold Palmer, Archie Russel, Kenneth Scott, and Armin Copen were new to the squad. The veterans were Frank Thomas, Alex Jendritz, Lee Bournonville, Clifford Armstrong, Gene Stewart and Merle Graham.

Won Two Championships

The 1925-1926 season was not a football season for P.H.S., but in 1926-1927 they won two championships. The Big-7 and SEK-league championships belonged to them. This year the Dragon eleven was stronger than any so far, and has been equaled by few teams since. They were undefeated during the season, but were tied, 6-6, in a non-league game with Joplin.

Earlier in the season they had defeated Joplin. The six points scored against them in this game were the only points scored against them during the season. Charley Morgan was the coach. M. Geir, E. Stewart, A. York, E. Lance, P. Smith, P. Fisher, L. Bourard, C. Kohler, W. Weare, E. Farrell, H. Carlton, and J. Klatter were on the team.

Another year was skipped before

Mighty Purple Dragons of 1939 Are Shown in Full Dress



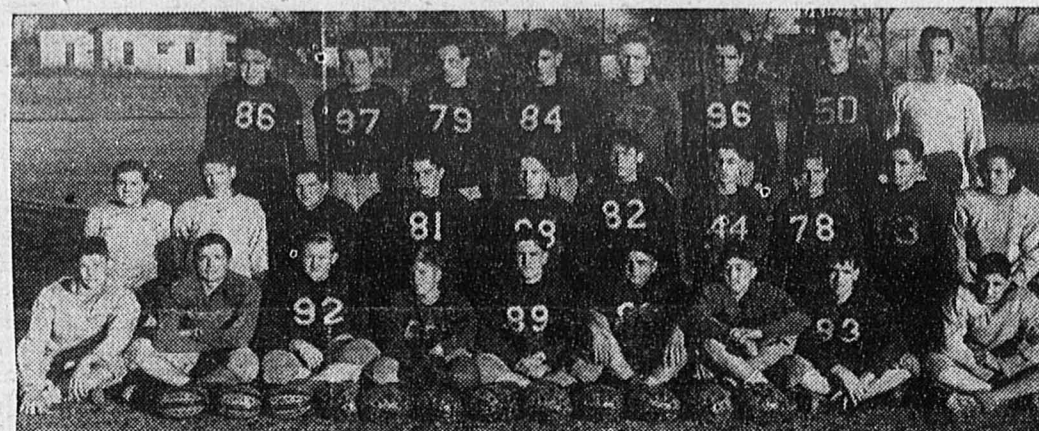
The mighty Purple Dragons are shown here in full dress review as they appeared last fall. The white jerseys look great

but when the field was allit muddy, the boys preferred to wear the older purple ones, such

as are shown around the edges. The Dragons started off fine this year, and though they fell a bit

Sun—PICTURES—Headlight before the season was over, they provided some fine exhibitions for the student body.

Petunias Rolled Up Impressive Record



The Pittsburg regular team also had a fine reserve backing in the Freshman - Sophomore team shown here. Dubbed the "Petunias," they turned in a fine

season's record and several of them had a chance to play on the first team before the season was over. The Petunias played the teams from the smaller

schools around Pittsburg such as Mulberry, Arcadia, Girard and the like. They also took on the second teams of many of the schools in the SEK.

the Dragons, again, were champions. The 1928-1929 season was a victorious one, although not so good as the two championship seasons preceding it. They lost one game and tied another one. Charley Morgan was the coach. Such boys as Lester Lucas, John Mack, Millard Mack, Andrew McClure, Paul Ketterman, Alton York, Dave Wilson, Buster Burcham, Earnest Ellis, Rollin Scheldkneight, Ishmael Cunningham, and Rudy Morosin played for Pittsburg. The 1929-1930 season was a poor one for Pittsburg High School.

Shared Title With Independence

When the 1930-1931 season got under way, they were back in their old form. They lost only one game and shared the SEK title with Independence. This was the last team Charley Morgan coached for P.H.S. The team consisted of Ralph Russell, Paul Ludlow, Lee McDonald, Howard Walker, Roy Karns, Harold Mason, Art Boulard, Murray Coble, John Steele, Rolie May, Fred Kees, and Joe Seale.

The first year that Prentice Gudgen coached the Dragons, 1933-1934, they won the SEK-league championship. Jimmy Shumuck, Murray Flynn, Stewart Davis, Calvin Neptune, Bernard Harrigan, Wilfred Ensmen, Don Tewel, Bill Morgan, Jack Hamilton, Dick Tindel, Armando Gaineani, and Dean Brand were on the team.

Three years later, 1926-1927, Pittsburg High School shared the SEK-league title with Chanute. Prentice Gudgen was still the coach. They won eleven games and lost one. The team consisted of Jack Morgan, Ray Brooks, Vance Rogers, Albert Simonie, Charles Smith, Chuck Ritter, Bob Eye-stone, Jim Ritter, Ray Shonk, Frank Nogel, "Dutch" Nogel, and Clarence Culbertson.

Last Championship In 1937-1938

The last football championship won by P.H.S. was won by the 1937-1938 squad. This was the last Pittsburg High School team coached by Prentice Gudgen. They were defeated only once during the season and that was by

G A A Promotes

Good Sportsmanship

The Girl's Athletic Association, better known as the GAA, is an organization which tries to promote good sportsmanship among its members. The purpose of the GAA is to promote physical efficiency among the girls of the school, to develop a better school spirit, to recognize the athletic ability of girls, and to increase sportsmanship.

The success of this organization has depended upon the cooperation of the members, officers, and the sponsor, Miss Lanyon. Each spring the officers for the following year are elected so they will be juniors and seniors.

May Earn Awards

This organization has a point system, including health, general, and sports. With a certain number of points earned, the girls may earn awards such as a silver trophy, the highest award, which requires three years to earn it, a GAA pin, a large letter "P," a small letter "P," or an insignia. These awards are given to

Miami Oklahoma, in a post season game. "Dutch" Nogel, Alfred Steele, Carl Beard, "Bud" Fadler, John Lance, Bill Lawrence, Joe Begando, "Chuck" Ritter, Eugene Ridenour, Waymon Edwards, "Chuck" Ray, and Harold Mishmash will long be remembered as playing on the last Dragon football championship team.

the girls in an assembly each spring. The girls meet each Wednesday night in the gym for one hour after school. They participate in such sports as touch-football, basketball, captain-ball, volleyball, tennis, and armoryball. As social activities, the girls enjoy picnics, hikes and chili suppers.

"I don't know when the GAA was founded. It was here when I began teaching, and I don't know whether Miss Helen Brandenburg, my predecessor, started it or not," Miss Lanyon stated.

Dais—"How did you manage to get home so early last night?" Broadhurst—"Oh, I had tough luck. I leaned against her door bell."

—P & W. 1923

Holliday Jones: "Waiter, what kind of meat is this?" Waiter: "Spring lamb, sir." Holliday J.: "Well, I must be chewing on the spring."

—Booster 1926

Boob: "Do you file your nails?" Nut: "No, I cut 'em and throw 'em away."

—Booster 1938

Mrs. Peterson (in plant biology): "When do the leaves begin to turn?" Student—"The night before examinations."

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Bailey Williams—I cannot come to the bonfire. I am too green to burn.

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Coffeyville Wins SEK Meet

Coffeyville replaced the Dragons as champs of the SEK track teams in the meet at Coffeyville May 4. The Tornadoes were led by Albert Woods, Negro star, Glenn Lottman was high scorer for Pittsburg with two firsts and one fourth. Woods set a new record in the broad jump with a leap of 24 feet 4 inches, which betters the state mark by almost two feet.

Coffeyville finished with 55 points, Independence second with 44, Columbus third with 40. Pittsburg fourth with 39, Chanute fifth with 23, Fort Scott sixth with 21, and Iola and Parsons tied for seventh each making 9 points.

The places for Pittsburg are Ahrens fourth and Broadhurst fifth in the high hurdles; Patrick second in the mile run; Pittsburg third in the 880 relay; Friggeri third in the 40-yard dash; Broadhurst third and Ahrens fourth in the low hurdles; Gray fifth in the 880-yard run; Pittsburg third in the mile relay.

Lottman was first in the shot put. Tucker tied for third in the pile vault. Broadhurst tied for second in the high jump. Lottman was fourth in the discus, Bradshaw fifth in the broad jump.

Speech Students Banquet

Students of Mr. Tewell's speech class were entertained at a "banquet" in the Little Theatre last night at 6:00 o'clock. A menu was given to each person present. The items desired were checked and the menu was given back to the waiter. The "banquet" consisted of pop, coney and hamburgers.

After the banquet those present gave after-dinner speeches. They were were three "incompetent" judges, selected by Mr. Tewell. They were Al McClure, H. B. Cheyne and Charles Davis.

Those attending were: Jack Collins, Jack Cox, Winnegene Leach, Charles Oertle, Lenore Funk, Lloyd Sills, Patty Barkell, Charles Wheeler, Jane Pratt, Marvin Tucker, Barbara Huffman, Bill Lynch, Vaudine Ridenour, Harvey Lanier, Margaret McCoy, Roy Holden, Anita Perko, and Mr. Tewell. These students were invited to attend because of their outstanding after-dinner speeches.

New Rainbow Officers

The new officers of the Rainbow Girls were elected at a regular business meeting Saturday afternoon, May 4. The newly elected officers are Worthy Advisor, Anita Ray, Worthy Associate Advisor, Harriet McCollister, Charity, Charlene Williams, Hope, Shirley Ainsworth, and Faith, Rosemary Skaer.

The public installation service was held Saturday night May 11, at the Masonic Temple. The retiring Worthy Advisor was Betty Jean Crain, who was presented a necklace from her officers.

The newly appointed officers are chaplain, Lida Lee Schasteen; Drill Leader, Beverly Kay Stacey; Love, Mary Grace Heckert; Religion, Joan Higgins, Nature, Betty Caslavka; Immortality, Mary Begando; Fidelity, Maxine Kulsey; Patriotism, Nancy Soper; Service, Dorothy Anderson; Confidential Observer, Marilyn Canfield; Outer Observer, Lorene Hamilton; Choir Director, Betty Lou Thomas; Musician, Joan Veatch.

The Glee Clubs were the first music organization in PHS, being started in 1911 with seventeen members. Their director was Miss Winona McLatchey. Following her as director was Miss Frembert. The first orchestra, with Hubbard as director, was composed of seven members.

The students practiced at each other's homes or at school after dismissal time. The orchestra was not organized and made a part of the school system until 1926, under the leadership of J. J. Richards (now of Sterling, Illinois, Municipal Band).

In 1927-28, it was under the direction of Mr. Burham, and since 1928 it has been under the direction of Gerald M. Carney.

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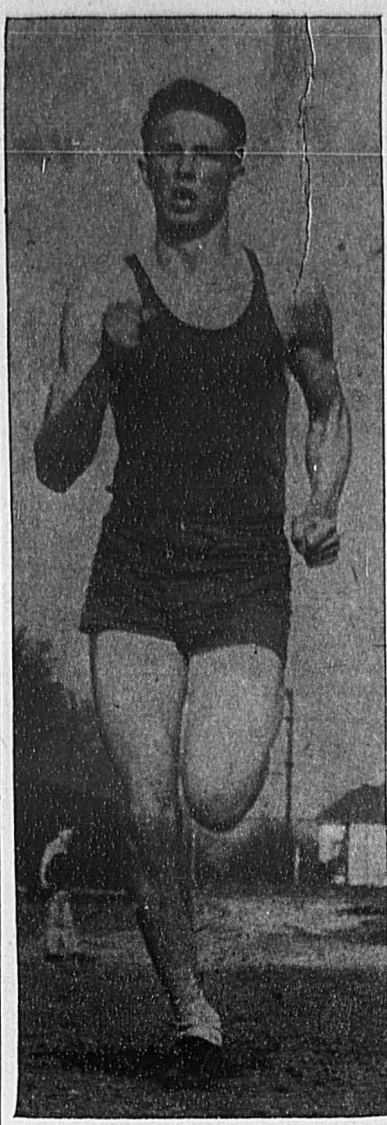
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Tour Sewage Plant

Miss Leeka's first hour home living class made its planned trip to the Pittsburg sewage disposal plant on Tuesday of last week. The trip turned out somewhat different than was planned, however.

The school bus was used for transportation, and when the girls arrived at the plant, they began to look the place over. It had been planned that the caretaker was to show the students around. It was discovered that the man had fallen into some of the pumping machinery and was very badly injured.

He had been discovered only a few minutes before, by workers on the Frisco railroad that runs by the pumping station. An ambulance was called and the man was taken to Mt. Carmel hospital. The girls were, therefore, forced to tour the plant by themselves.

Hectic days they are—those that compose the last week of school. Students running here and there, fountain pens in one hand and a Purple and White tightly clasped in the other, they fill the halls and usually slide in the door of each classroom just as the bell rings.

Have we ever stopped to think how long it has taken the annual to develop to its present state? Most of us never give it a thought, so we've dug 'way back into the dusty files of the P. H. S. yearbooks and triumphantly brought forth the very first one, issued in the year of 1899.

As yet, the 1940 Purple and White is not completed so the students can not read the jokes. Maybe the 1940 jokes and humor columns will not be so "funny" as those in the past have been. At any rate, we must give credit to the Booster and Purple and White staffs of the past years for their excellent work, and may they join in with the rest in celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary!

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PHS Artists To Enter State Clay Contest

The art classes under the supervision of Miss Florence White are entering a state clay contest to be held in June. PHS students entering the contest are going to make plaques. They will be judged by the rest of the class and the best ones sent to the exhibit which will be early in June, before the judging takes place.

The school unable to obtain local clay may send away to the sponsors of the contest and get the clay. The school has only the postage to pay.

The only requirements of the contest are that the clay and all materials used in the process of making the projects such as baking and glazing come from Kansas. The contest was started to promote the use of Kansas clay in the school and to use up the surplus on hand now.

Roosevelt Junior High and Lakeside Junior High are also entering the contest. Mr. Price Industrial Arts teacher at Roosevelt, is going to fire the Roosevelt students' project.

Bowlers To Have Banquet
"An attendance of 125 is expected at the 'Bowlers' Banquet," stated Miss Mary E. Nelson, chairman of the program committee, this week.

The banquet will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday, May 22, at 6:30 p. m. High school students may purchase tickets in the office from Miss Nelson for twenty-five cents.

P. H. S. students who will participate in the program and their members are the follows: reading by Margaret Agnes Naylor; voice solo by Mac French, accompanied by Zoe Wilma Baade; Sonjoray Quartet, Lois Mae Otto, and Evelyn Massman.

City Teachers Dine

Teachers of the city schools attended the annual spring banquet given by the City Teachers Club, May 7, at the Stilwell Hotel. Those attending, besides the teachers, included the faculty wives, principals of the city school system, the six members of the Board of Education and their wives, and Superintendent and Mrs. M. M. Rose.

The general business of the banquet was the election of the officers for the coming year. Those chosen by a nominating committee were: Miss Ruth Thornton, president; Miss Ethel Hatton, and Harlan Price, secretary-treasurer. Retiring officers included: Mr. P. O. Briggs, president; Miss Ruth Thornton, vice president, and Miss Clara Bailly, secretary treasurer.

The entertainment consisted of music by Hutchies Hot Shots, P.H.S. musical organization, and the Harmony Four Quartet.

Has Skating Party

The Pep Club sponsored a skating party Friday night, May 3, at the Grand Terrace Rink, at Kansas and Broadway. There were seventy-five in attendance.

Lose Regional Tennis Meet
Pittsburg lost out in the Regional Tennis Tournament at Independence last Saturday. In the doubles Thomas-Lanier lost their first set. In the singles, Ozbun won two and lost one, Waltz won one and lost one. Shive, of Independence, won the singles, and Peebles-Treger won the doubles.

Organizes Debate Teams

Continued from page four
Frank Gavin, Ruth Merlin Oskins, Milton Zacharias, and Leonard Brown.

Of course, 1932 stands out particularly bright in debate in Pittsburg High, for that year John Shafer, Milton Zacharias, Lois Hallacy, and Margaret Campbell won first in the S.E.K. debate tournament, the Kansas District Nov. 3, and second in the Tri-State Debate contest at KSTC. During the same season, Milton Zacharias received the first prize of \$50 at Newton in oratory.

Milton Zacharias is now a practicing lawyer in Wichita and his debate partner, John Shafer, is a musical comedy star in New York City.

After the graduation of Zacharias and Shafer, Leo Howard, Charles Vilmer, Roger Bumann and Bob Dorsey made up the team of 1934 and many disadvantages of governmental control and operation of the radio were discussed.

Again in 1935 "Bill" Row coached a winning team on the discussion of equalization of education throughout the United States through the aid of grants from the Federal Government. The first team was Leo Howard, Lewis Kidder, Betty Dorsey, Clifford Kelly and Ivan Adams.

In 1935 Mr. Row also leal the coaches of the nation in the NFL with 484.9 points, a position he held until he went to Tulsa Okla. In 1939.

By 1937 Jim Hand, Howard Marchbanks, Billy Ann Hutto, Bob Pratt, Bailey Williams, Howard Mosby, Mary Virginia Hubert, Asene Michie, Jimmy Kelly, Jim Ritter, and Jane Baxter were winning honors for PHS, and Jim Ritter was awarded the Degree of Directions in the NFL. Alene Michie represented the high school in the National Foansic League Society.

The Kansas Club elected officers for the coming year during the meeting last week. John Schneider was elected president; Helen Dingman, vice-president; and Don Lynn, secretary.

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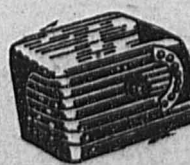
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