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## Just Prattle

By Jane Pratt

John Schneider, co-business manager of the Purple and White and one of the chief officials in arranging the coronation ball says, "There'll surely be an array of beautiful girls in the procession tonight!" We agree with him, certainly!

PHS has shown more spirit for the basketball team than they've evidenced during all the rest of the school year. Even the teachers get over enthusiastic, --one in particular. Ahem!

The Girl Reserves who labored so hard to make the sale of the birthday booklets a success are still rushing about trying to sell the remaining lot. On the first day of selling, 274 booklets were sold. Some salesmanship, eh what?

The victory assembly and short vacation held last Monday is prime proof that the administration and student body can cooperate. Everyone seemed satisfied with the procedure.

The contest play for Chanute's speech and drama festival will be "Laws Does You Understand?" by Ann Seymour. The continuity for the radio play will probably be worked up by Mr. Dan Tewell. It should be good then!

Choice statement made by at victory dance: "We're just belles of the wall." Another: "I'm not a belle. No one ever gives me a ring.--Funny, eh? Well, we laughed."

## Musicians Play At Joplin Clinic

### Students Get Criticism For Their Performances At Affair

A group of music students of PHS were in Joplin yesterday and today attending the annual clinic there for criticisms of individual work.

Those who went to Joplin yesterday were Virginia Davis, violin; Ed Payne, French horn; Bob Friggeri, clarinet; Sammy Lou Heaton, Mary Anderson, Zoe Wilma Baade, and Shirley Ainsworth, voice.

Eight members of the department went today. They were to include Don Marchbanks, Dana Lemler, Herbert Butler, Charles Newcomb, James Millington, Morris Moffatt, and Jack Toussaint, voice; and Jerome Degen, trombone.

The clinic is not a music contest but an opportunity to get critical judgments on musical talent and performance, according to Mr. Gerald M. Carney, PHS music supervisor.

"The Joplin junior college music festival is idealistic in its plan. It presupposes a genuine interest in good music, well performed. It denies the accusation often directed toward school music programs, 'that some sort of artificial motivation is necessary to hold student interest,'" stated Mr. Carney, music director.

### Hi-Y Members Have Discussion Meetings

Problems of school spirit, war and democracy were among the subjects discussed in the Hi-Y chapters Wednesday morning.

Tom Blannett spoke on school spirit in the J. L. Hutchinson chapter. Gene Rogers spoke at the B. V. Edworthy chapter meeting, and Charles Newcomb lead a discussion on war and democracy in the Jimmie Welch chapter. Charles Stoncipher and Herman Brinkman were in charge of the David New program, Bob Massmann lead a discussion on the Bunny Carlson chapter, and Harry Bradshaw, Louis Barbero, Ralph Clark and Junior Moore spoke in the Joe Dance chapter meeting.

## Dragons' Victory Celebrated in an Assembly Monday

### PHS Team Places First In High School Regionals

### Head Men Speak On Game

### Dance Follows in RJHS Gym Fourth and Fifth Classes Cut

A victory assembly where much pep and enthusiasm was exhibited was held Monday afternoon in the auditorium in the honor of PHS Dragons winning the high school regional basketball tournament here last week.

PHS places second in the SEK basketball league play. Parsons defeated Pittsburg by two points when they played here. So when Parsons and Pittsburg were left to decide the championship between them Saturday night, hopes and fears were both experienced, but after a closely fought, hard battle, PHS won by 22 to 18.

Enthusiasm ran riot after the game. Students and teachers felt that a big celebration was in order.

### Net More Money

At the assembly the band played, the cheer leaders led enthusiastic students in yells. Maurice Mosier reported that the Hi-Y boys had made \$55 by selling candy and pop at the games. According to Mr. George Duerksen, the tournament manager, the regional meet was financially successful because of the keen interest in the games. The tournament netted \$144 more than last year's meet, he said.

Mr. Arkie Hoffman, basketball coach, spoke warmly about the spirit

## KSTC Freshman Girls Visit Classes in PHS

The freshman girls of KSTC have been attending classes under the direction of Miss Helen Lanyon and Miss Helen Messenger of PHS and Roosevelt junior high for the purpose of looking over the school situation pertaining to mostly physical education.

Not all of the girls are physical education majors but by the time the classes have ended, every freshman girl will have some knowledge of the health, physical education, recreation and safety programs that are carried on in this school. Each program is explained in descriptive terms to give the prospective teachers a view of what they will have when they get out of school.

## Juniors Writing Essays To Enter in Contest

What Uncle Sam Means to Me! is the title of the essays being written by all of the junior English classes in a contest sponsored by the Elks national defense commission.

The essays will be judged first by the teachers and the best ones will enter the local contest here of which there will be cash prizes of \$15, \$10, \$5, and five one dollar bills. First, second, and third place winners will be sent to the state contest and the to the national contest.

An composite illustration of pictures forming the face of Uncle Sam is shown as a background for the essays. The national prizes given away will be \$1,000, \$500, and \$250.

### SPEAKS HERE

E. C. Buehler, author, lecturer, and sales consultant from the University of Kansas, spoke this morning in assembly on new simants on salesmanship which was graphically illustrated.



Harlan Peterson, member of the Dragon squad which placed first in the AA regional tournament here last week, is making the formal presentation of the trophy won at the meet to Jack Collins, right, during the victory assembly Monday afternoon in the auditorium. Jack accepted for the class of 1940-41. Several band members can be seen in the background. (Russell Sherman photo)

of his boys, their willingness to cooperate, their enthusiasm, and their ambition.

Harlan Peterson presented the basketball trophy won at the tournament to Jack Collins, president of the student council. Jack accepted it for the class of 1940-41, and said that everyone was proud of the team and that the school had been behind them all the way.

### Congratulate Boys

Principal Finis M. Green congratulated the boys and made some comments on the behavior of his teachers at the game. He was particularly amused by Mr. Marion Nation's excitement, for which Mrs. Nation allegedly felt she must offer apology. However, Mr. Green related he could not remember what he had said when presenting the trophies to the winning teams Saturday night.

A dance in the Theodore Roosevelt gymnasium followed; the music furnished by the Royal Dragons. The basketball boys were given a thunderous send off to the state tournament at Emporia.

The Fourth and fifth hour classes did not meet Monday afternoon. The sixth hour met for 30 minutes beginning at 12:30 o'clock.

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## Library Obtains More New Books

### Works About Marriage, Coins, Willkie and Winchell Are Included

Many new books have been placed upon the shelves of the PHS library that will be of interest to seniors high students, according to Librarian Doran C. Woods and Miss Elizabeth Chesnut.

In the current list are several practical books for high school persons. One of them is of special interest to seniors who are planning to attend college next year. The book is "Choosing A College" by Tunis.

They are: woodwork, Journalism, music, economics and other non-fiction works. But fiction is also represented. Among these are "Gone with the Wind," made into a motion picture last year, and a book of short stories by Brete Harte, "The Luck of Roaring Camp."

The new books are as follows:

Hazeltine: Anniversaries and Holidays  
Mawson: Dictionary of Foreign Terms  
Lewis: An Elementary Latin Dictionary  
Hourticq: New Standard Encyclopedia of Art  
Pratt: New Encyclopedia of Music and Musicians

Gerwig: Crowell's Handbook of Readers and Writers  
Logasa: Historical Fiction  
Lundy: Writing Up The News  
Neal: News Gathering and News Writing

Graves: Wholesome Marriage  
Seldes: Witch Hunt  
Willkie: This is Wendell Willkie  
Carr: Men of Power  
Perry: Shell Not Persh From The Earth

Draais: Negro Youth At The Crossways  
Adamic: From Many Lands  
Chase: Idle Money, Idle Men  
Strong: My Native Land  
Lasser: Your Income Tax  
Gaer: Consumers All  
Dewey: Education Today  
Tunis: Choosing A College  
Post: Etiquette

Stratton: Your Best Foot Forward  
Goldston: Progress In Medicine  
Stote: Making The Most Of Your Looks

Hessel: Chemistry in Warfare  
Hall: The Handy Boy  
Leeming: Models a Boy Can Build  
Hjorth: Machine Woodworking  
Raymond: Coins Of The World  
Lustz: Practical Engraving And Etching

Teale: The Boys' Book of Photography  
Copland: What To Listen For in Music  
Mason: From Song to Symphony  
McKelway: Gossip: The Life and Times of Walter Winchell  
Adams: Wisp  
Barbour: The Crimson Sweater  
Harte: The Luck of Roaring Camp  
London: The Call of The Wild  
Mitchell: Gone With The Wind  
Tunis: The Kid From Tomkinsville

## Music Department To Give Program March 28

About 250 persons participating in the band, boys glee club, girls glee club, mixed chorus, and contest mixed chorus will present an hour and a half program at 8:30 o'clock, Friday evening, March 28, in the Theodore Roosevelt gymnasium.

A charge of 25 cents or activity ticket will be charged to defray expenses of the music contest.

All the members of the music department will be seated in the center of the gym eliminating the necessity of changing places.

## Forum Club Discusses Compulsory Training

The Forum Club discussed the question of compulsory military training in high school in Mr. Marion Nation's room last Wednesday Noon.

Don Marchbanks made the statement, "I think it would be a good thing. Since most of us are 16, 17, or 18, we'll probably be drafted anyway. If we had an R. O. T. C. we'd get a little army life and discipline."

An answer to this came from Jack Toussaint. "We'll have plenty of time after we've finished school. It's not right."

"How would we find time?" asked Billy Scott, "some of us would like to take six hours of subjects."

"The qualities of character building could come from such training," said Zoe Baade.

A decision had not been reached by the time of adjournment. Helene Adams led the discussion.

### CALENDAR

Tonight.....Coronation Ball

March 28.....Music Concert

Gym 8:15

April 1.....Solo Recital (8 P. M.)

April 3.....District Music Contest (KSTC)

April 4.....District Music Contest (KSTC) 'boys' group.

## Choose Barkell and Collins For Play Leads

Miss Maude Laney has selected the senior play cast for the play, "In A House Like This," to be presented May 1 in the auditorium.

The story concerns family life. Taking the part of the mother will be Jane Pratt; the father, Billy Al Hazen; the daughter, Patty Barkell; the son, Jack Collins; the grandmother, Ilene Bennett. Other cast members include Betty Payne, John Phillips, Dorothy Elliott, Donald Marchbanks, Harriett McCollister, Anita Stewart, Morris Moffatt, and Charles Newcomb.

## Choose Nine For Quill & Scroll

### Journalism Honorary Group to Have Formal Initiation In Assembly Soon

Nine seniors have been issued invitations to join Quill & Scroll, international honorary journalism society, in recognition for the work of the school publications this year.

Those chosen were Helene Adams, Shirley Ainsworth, Patty Barkell, Rosemary Cowan, Pauline Elias, Harold Foster, Bob Massmann, Jane Pratt and Jay Rennie.

To be eligible for Quill & Scroll, according to Mr. George J. Frey, sponsor, members must have done commendable work on either The Booster or Purple & White and be in the upper third of their class for scholarship during their first five semesters in senior high school.

The local chapter of Quill & Scroll is named William Allen White after the famed Emporia editor. The group will meet soon to elect officers and make plans for initiation to be held in a future assembly.

Harold Foster is editor of the Purple & White; Bob Massman; Jane Pratt, and Jay Rennie are editors of the Booster; Rosemary Cowan is business manager of the Booster; and Shirley Ainsworth is an advertising manager. The other chosen are recommended members of the journalism class.

## Student Council Plans For Arbor Day Dedications

### To Plant Two Trees East Of Junior High Building

### COMMITTEES REPORT

### Trees Dedicated To L. K. Brous And Sylvester Blackett, Former Staff Members

Plans for the Arbor Day dedications were the subject of the Student Council meeting Tuesday noon in the visual education room. A committee composed of Doralee Wheeler, Bob Gilbett, Bob Friggeri, and Jay Rennie is in charge of the program.

Two trees are to be planted and two stones set by them with the name of the person to whom it is dedicated and the date. The trees will be dedicated to Mr. L. K. Brous and Mr. Sylvester Blackett, both of whom died last year. They were both in the service of the Theodore Roosevelt junior high school.

The trees are to be planted one on each side of the walk leading from the east entrance of the junior high building.

Th various committees gave their reports. Bill Hood, chairman of the law and order committee, announced that there would be a meeting of the committee Friday noon. Arnold Boisdrenghien, chairman of the public and private property committee, announced that there was to be a meeting of his committee on Thursday noon.

## Coronation Ball Will Be Tonight

### Candidates for King and Queen And Editor of Annual To Be Featured

The coronation ball tonight will begin at eight o'clock, and the school dance band will play for the school dance which is to follow. The regular party tickets will be issued to students and no guest tickets will be available for this activity.

The coronation will be in charge of Harold Foster, editor of the Purple & White, and all the candidates for king and queen of the annual will take part. Children of the faculty will assist in the ceremonies. They are, Nacy Duerksen, Layon Lundquest, Suzanne Snodgrass, Esther Green, and Janet Price.

The game room will not be open, and the Purple & White staff is in charge of the whole activity. The ball is one of the outstanding social activities of the school year, and the decorations are entirely different from last year, according to the Committee in charge, which is composed of Harold Foster, Georgeanne Switzer, Bob Massmann, and John Schneider.

Reigning a king and queen tonight will be Arnold Boisdrenghien and Betty Forester. They were winners of the recent Purple & White sales contest.

## Bowling Tournament To Be Held On March 29

The senior high school bowling tournament will be held at the YMCA March 29. The tournament will take the place of the regular weekly rounds. Both boys and girls may enter and first, second, and third place ribbons will be awarded at the winners in both groups.

There will be two classes of bowlers, those bowling above 100 and those below. Any one wishing to bowl in the tournament may sign-up with Mr. John E. White, bowling instructor.

Those signed up so far are Gerrie Lewis, and Betty Jo Latty in the girls group and Harry Bradshaw, Paul Ozbun, Jack Van Hoy, Charles Klobassa, Bill Delemaide, and Don Lyan. Eugene Montee, Dana Lemler, Bill Mansfield, and Marvin Tucker in the 'boys' group.



## We Think

### Sadie Hawkins Week

Last year a new custom, Sadie Hawkins week, was instituted at PHS. The students remember it with pleasure and are hoping it will be a permanent part of the school activities.

The chapel program in charge of Mr. Dan J. Tewell was extremely comical. The characterizations of L'il Abner, Daisy May, and Hairless Joe, literally laid the students in the aisles.

The dance, which climaxed the week's events, was very successful. The boys were overwhelmed by the attentions of their Sadies. The ego of some of the timid males went up considerably, some of the more dashing ones were a bit dashed by their lack of feminine admirers. Other boys discovered how it feels to be a wallflower.

The fairer sex found that they had never fully appreciated the attentions of their Don Juans. Calling for and returning their escorts, feeding them, and still getting home before the dead line was no little task. Securing the use of the family limousine for the occasion was even harder. Spending all of one's allowance of a week was no joke either. However, every Sadie was determined to give her date a good time.

Sadie Hawkins' week is really an opportunity for every student (members of the faculty should take advantage of it too.) It gives the girls a chance to demonstrate some of the courtesies they like the boys to practice, gives the timid or studious girl a way to show she is human and likes a good time, and helps to equalize things generally.

Boys have a chance for revenge. Now they can order a pork barbecue and milk chocolate when they have been taken in the drug store for a coke. Let their escorts be embarrassed. Turn about's fair play; they can also be thankless and unappreciative. Of course the girls won't like it, but neither do they.

The chapel program may bring out new talents. New courtships may begin, and best of all it will be a change from regular routine, and add new zest to school life.

### Tired Of Work?

We all get tired of working on and on but little do we realize the work needed to be a success. To be truly successful one must be educated. Probably many have read of the great men who did not go past the seventh or eighth grade, but they did not stop there with their education. They went on not to school but between working days and at any time that they were able.

One must not stop learning, for if he does the world will pass them without looking back. If they are passed, they will find it difficult to catch up if they ever do.

Many of the great men of the world worked hard for years before they gained their goal. Edward Gibbon devoted seven tedious years to the task of gathering the material for his famous history of the "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire." George Bancroft struggled desperately for 40 years gathering the needed data for his American History.

Many people have never reached their goals, but they have received much in his efforts. One must set a goal high enough to tax his endurance and make him work hard. Do not get discouraged if you find it hard to go, but work hard and long; and if you don't get there you will have had the experience of trying. There will be profit in that. — Jay Rennick

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### Viewpoints

This column is available to those who have views to express on school problems or any other matter. All contributions are to be signed, free from libelous matter, and are to be of good taste. The viewpoints expressed are those of the contributor and will have a better chance of publication. All contributions are to be submitted to the Journalism department.

Pittsburg High School doesn't deserve any assemblies! That's a very frank statement, I'll admit. It's also a statement of fact.

I'm speaking in this case of assemblies generally, but perhaps the most pointed example is the lecture presented from the high school stage last week. The subject of the address was serious, yes—a type not very appealing to a high school mind. Perhaps the way we shun seriousness, learning, and knowledge is an indication that we're downright mentally soft. Well, this adolescent trait of ignoring any possible acquisition of knowledge can be overlooked, but the rudeness of the audience cannot. High school students—boasting that they are almost mature, carrying on a hubbub of conversation over which a speaker cannot be overheard, that's certainly not a pretty picture of common courtesy.

I'm not trying to preach a sermon, even though it impresses you as such. I'm merely realizing some plain, unvarnished truth. Pittsburg High School doesn't deserve any assemblies. — A Student

### Guest Editorial

#### Failure Brings Prize

A Government official was investigating at the board of education building the school records of a certain boy whom he was considering for a government job. His primary and junior high grades were encouraging.

"But what about high school?" he continued.

Lincoln high reported first one fact, he had failed in algebra. The local supervisor thought that the opportunity for the boy was gone. A failure in mathematics would prove he was not suited for the job.

Then she was surprised for the official said: "Well, what did he do about it?"

Reaching for the phone, she called Lincoln high again. They replied that the student had taken his algebra over. Completing the course successfully, he went on to geometry for the full number of semesters.

"Oh," the man said startlingly, "That's all right. What we are interested in is whether or not failures can stop him, or if he has enough persistence to go ahead and come out in the end."

This incident is a powerful example of the requirements for success. Remember, the old saying is still good to follow.

"It isn't whether you won or lost, but how you play the game." The lessons learned by trying will be of far more value than the actual success in the end. — Lincoln (Neb.) High Advocate.

## Near and Far

By Helene Adams

A college at Akron dropped its course in international law. We are assured, though, it continues to teach the other dead languages.

A study of some 548 case histories shows the favorite radio program of the 9-year-old listener is one beginning at the regular bedtime.

About some people the worst thing you can say is the truth.

A psychologist advises shutting the eyes tightly when confronted by a crucial problem. If the other driver does too, there should be a funny sound.

You can tell when a girl is proud of her figure. She doesn't mind her best friend seeing her get on the scales to weigh.

Have any of you been informed by your father that this is the last year you are an income tax exemption and from here on your just a dead expense?

Tomatoes originally were called love apples—and they're still best taken with a grain of salt.

A boy's good deeds are limited, but there is no end to the mischief he can accomplish.

Neutrality (Balkan style): A system of turning both cheeks at once.

A girl considers her shopping trip a success if she has purchased a three dollar article for \$2.98.

Nothing circulates so rapidly as a secret, and if it is gossip, it beats all known records.

Better late than never.—Dionysius.

## King and Queen for A Night



Tonight is the long awaiting time when Queen Betty and King Arnold will reign supreme over the Purple & White. The coronation will precede a dance in the Theodore Roosevelt gymnasium.

## Meet The Faculty

### PHS Health Teacher

#### From Pioneer Family

If anyone wants to find out anything about homesteading, call on "Fritz" Snodgrass. Both his grandfathers were early Kansas pioneers, and homesteaded their property in Butler county. We won't disclose Mr. Snodgrass' middle name, which has been heretofore unknown, but he is a distant relative of Cotton Mather. Figure it out for yourself.

Born on a farm near Augusta, Kas., Mr. F. M. Snodgrass first attended a country school seven miles south of Augusta. After attending it for four years, he moved near Augusta and went through the high school there. While in the school he was on the football team three years and held the Butler county record in the quarter mile run. He was on the track team for four years. He was also a member of the YMCA in high school.

In the fall of 1922, Mr. Snodgrass began his attendance at KSTC. He was on the track



Mr. F. M. Snodgrass . . . To students and faculty members, Mr. Snodgrass is better known as "Fritz." Here he is explaining to Jack Collins how to give first aid treatment to Rex Morris.

team for four years, and was chosen captain in his junior year. He won the half mile run in the college state meet for four years. He set state records in his sophomore year and broke it again in his junior year. His best time for the half mile was one minute and 57.5 seconds.

He played football two years and was a member of the YMCA. In his junior year he was treasurer and as a senior was chosen president of the college YMCA. In 1926 he received his Bachelor of science degree, and hopes to get his Master's degree this summer.

Mr. Snodgrass was physical director of the "Y" at Parsons for one year, and then taught gymnasium work at Theodore Roosevelt junior high for four years. He came to PHS in 1931, and taught health, safety, and physical education. "Fritz" is track coach, swimming coach, and is trying to develop tumbling into a more prominent place in PHS. He has charge of all the intramural competition.

Mr. Snodgrass married Ruth Inwood on Christmas Eve of 1926, and they have two children, Suzanne, seven, who is attending the first grade of Lakeside school; and Philip, two.

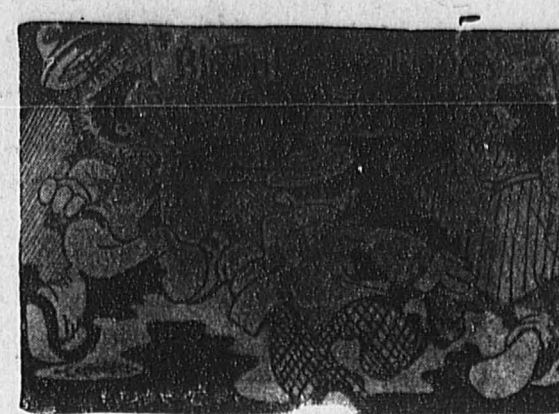
Mr. Snodgrass is an earnest devotee of the old pastime of hunting, and spares most of his spare time working around his home.

### COMIC STRIPS

Dagwood - - Mr. Frey.  
Blondie - - Ann Benny.  
L'il Abner - - Don German.  
Superman - - Pete Van Zant.  
Henry - - Gus Blair.  
Daisy Mae - - Rosemary Cowan.  
Uncle Walt - - Mr. Huffman.  
Terry - - Francis Ryan.  
Andy Gump - - Bill Hazen.  
Joe Palooka - - Arnold Moddow.  
Katzenjammer Kids - - John and Don Rule.  
Annie Rooney - - Sammy Heaton.  
Smiling Jack - - Bud Hooper.

God gave man an upright countenance to survey the heavens and to look upward to the stars.—Ovid.

## Begin Booklet Sale



Girl Reserves members have been busy this week selling the birthday booklets since Tuesday's assembly when they were placed on sale. This cartoon picture the ceramic PHS students have been making for the booklets.

## The Awful Truth

Keith Velia is not in the Navy yet, so Margaret Robins can thank her Uncle Sam for that.

'Tis told that June Rusher was invited to a party and was the only girl present!!

'Tis said Ida Thomas and Frank Baker were married Sunday night. Congratulations, kids.

Have Shirley Dowling and Gene Richards really broken up? How about it?

Leonard McGuire would like to ask Betty McAnally for a date but it seems he lacks the courage.

'Tis said Carolyn Coulter could date Melvin Curry anytime she wanted to, but A. L. Tanner seems to be the only object of her affections.

Sammy Lou Heaton should make up her mind. It is rumored she likes both Don Isenbarg and Francis Ryan.

Steve Ball and Betty Berchold have been seen together recently. Is this a new couple?

## Fads in Fashion

—By Pauline Elias and Jean Resler

Have you noticed that capes are becoming very popular this season? They may be worn for sports, dress, and formal occasions. These capes come in gabardine for sport wear, in plain colors, in silk or crepe for dress, and many kinds of material for formal wear.

Many of these capes are cut along military lines with large plaid suits, which are on the shoulders.

Many capes are worn with various outfits; then some are made of some plain color to go with a print silk dress. They also come with large plaid suits, which are very becoming.

For formal attire they are cut floor length and come in black, white and pastel colors of all shades.

For spring wear, a military blouse will be the ideal thing to wear with spring skirts. They come in sailor or military styles.

The sailor blouse has anchors on the sleeves and on the pocket. The military blouse has guns on each side of the collar with epaulettes on each shoulder.

### WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF

Lucretia were telling instead of always Askins

Betty were a heap instead of a Pyle

Don were the exception instead of the Rule

June were slow instead of a Rusher

Bill would walk instead of Run-yan

Mary Louise were a horse instead of a Seal

Roberta would buy instead of Sells

Rosemary were brave instead of Skaer

A. L. would beat her instead of Tanner

Jimmy were old instead of Young

Junior were less instead of Moore

Don were an asset instead of a Loss

Jack were messy instead of Neet

Frances were a penny instead of a Nickell

Ruth were a horse and buggy instead of an Otto

Martha were a Ford instead of a Packard

Edward were June instead of May

Allice were night instead of Day

Rex were a corridor instead of a Hall

Joyce were a bass instead of a Bertone

Dale were a tree instead of a Bush

Bill were a carpenter instead of a Mason

Dorothy were a state instead of a Nation

John were a princess instead of a Prince

Cora were wrong instead of Wright

Velma were a shower instead of a Bath

Billy were a city instead of a Bourg

Bert were Kress instead of Grant

Zoe Wilma were a torso instead of a Baade

Herbert were a maid instead of a Butler

Albertine were wood instead of Cole

Lawrence would cackle instead of Crows

William were a policeman instead of a Maier

Edwin were pleasant instead of a Payne

Bill were a cost instead of a Price

Bill were a hat instead of a Hood

Robert were tenor instead of a Bass

Doris were slow instead of Fast

Willard were in the middle instead of on the Edge

Florence were width instead of Hite

Norma were big instead of Little

Naomi were tall instead of Short

Norman were a watermelon instead of an Utermoshlan

## Ex-Libris

By

Helene Adams

Parnassus on Wheels

by

Christopher Morley

Though published in 1917, Christopher recently chose this as one of the four best of his works.

What would you do if you were a woman half a century old, who had acted as a housekeeper to an eccentric farmer-author brother for the past twenty years? Helen McGill bought the Parnassus on wheels (a bookshop fitted in a wagon) and then the fun began.

Her brother wanted her to return home to repeat her record of baking 6,000 loaves of bread; She wanted to have some adventure from life, and the former owner of the Parnassus wanted to protect her.

"Parnassus on Wheels" by Christopher Morley is in the PHS library with the new books under fiction.

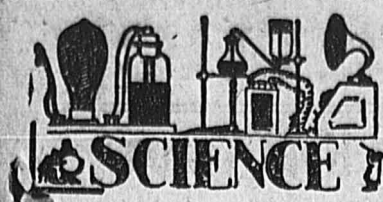
## Giggle and Groan

By Gloom

EVA CLARK and FRANCIS POSTAI are going steady . . . CLAIR GILLIN has had his eye on JANET MALCOLM . . . CAMELLIA BUMGARDNER went to the junior party with DON LYNN . . . BETTY FOUGNIE is that way over BUD HOOPER, but we saw her give BOB FRIGGERI the "ole" one two . . . BETTY PAYNE has been going with JAY RENNICK quite a bit lately . . . TEX WARD asking PATTY BARKELL to a show . . . since the HEATON-RYAN-ISENBERG triangle is still in effect, we won't say anything about it . . . SHIRLEY JOHNSTON seen dancing with JACK COLLINS . . . CHARLES NEWCOMB says he would like to interfere with the BREINER-BRADSHAW romance . . . JAMES WELLS wants a date with VIRGINIA PLAGENS but is afraid she is going steady . . . VAUDINE RIDENOUR is going steady with C. ARMSTRONG from the college . . . DON GERMAN and EVELYN ROEBER having that certain look . . . MARY RAMSEY dating, DON RULE occasionally . . . LORETTA MARTIN singing on the amateur hour at the Colonial . . . BETTY HOOD eating lunch with JACK COLLINS . . . LUCRETIA ASKINS wearing JIM YOUNG'S ring . . . MILDRED ENDICOTT just retacooson mmmmm aior toegtmfw ffw mff ceived an engagement ring from some boy from the College . . . MELVIN HUDSON comes up to school to see DELORES MORAN every noon . . . VERA MATNEY and WARREN JONES have that certain look . . .

I would rather be sick than idle. —Seneca.





A new cylindrical voltage tester only five inches long will indicate voltage by the position of a pointer in relation to a graduated scale on one side. Different colored bands determine each A.C. voltage, 110, 220, 440, and 550. It will also reveal the frequency of the current.

To make suckers of all fish, a California inventor has perfected a rubber worm. The hollow latex, formed on stainless steel molds, is filled with hooks and leaders and then it is filled with a paste to tempt the fish. The paste is flavored with fish eggs.

The army's newest medium bomber out flies most of the pursuit planes now fighting in Europe. It is the 26,625 pound Martin B-26 medium bombing plane. Powered with two 1,850-horsepower Pratt and Whitney 18-cylinder air-cooled radial engines, it has a speed of about 350 miles an hour and carries a crew of five.

For the sick person who wishes to get his lesson, a loudspeaker system can take the classroom to the sickroom and visa versa. Two-way speakers similar to the business-type inter-office communicators, connect the two rooms. The sick person may recite for both the class and the teacher to hear. The school district may "foot" the bill for the leased wires necessary for the system.

Sorting machines salvage sixty pounds of aluminum-alloy rivets, worth more than a dollar a pound, every day in one of the large bomber plants back east. More than 150 different types and sizes can be sorted by the machine.

Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard Observatory since 1921, attended the Carthage, Mo. academy and worked as reporter and city editor for the Chanute, Kas., "Daily Sun"

A printing shop on wheels weighing 35,000 pounds, including a 4 1/2 ton press is being used to print programs for race tracks. The shop, staffed by six men, houses linotype machines, stereotyping equipment, a rotary press, and a bindery, all in a floor space of nine by 31 feet. In the winter time the printing shop follows the racing season South.

A new submachine gun which shoots .45 caliber automatic pistol bullets at the rate of 500 a minute is now being turned out at the rate of 1,000 guns a day. The gun weighs only six and one-half pounds as compared with the nine and three-fourths pound Thompson submachine gun and the new Garand rifle. The gun has been developed to be made on the most common equipment to be found in almost any machine shop. Only twelve minutes are required to turn out a barrel from rough steel. The gun takes a clip to twenty .45 caliber cartridges of the type commonly used in the army automatic pistols.

It has been found that the parachute land mine, the latest in destruction, is much more effective on troops than the other type of bombs. The parachute mine floats gently down and explodes at the surface instead of digging a crater and wasting much of its force underground.

The war in Europe has taught the American "war" experts much that they needed to know. War has proved that self-sealing gas tanks are essential. From the five machine guns and two cannon the British found on the Messerschmitt 110's, the United States has learned to use heavier armament on planes like the new Airacuda that is under production at present.

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## "Now This Is The Way . . ."



This is an action picture of Mr. J. M. Collie instructing some of the boys in the woodwork department in the method of using a buzz saw. Left to right, they are Doyle Stewart, Charles Buford, Bill Waltz, Marvin Page, Jesse Kotur, Gene Allred, Mr. Collie, Bob Johnson, Marvin Tucker and Kenneth Smith.

## Boys in PHS Industrial Arts Classes Are Building Varied and Interesting Projects

### Little Bits

The biology classes of Mrs. Dora Peterson are completing a study of birds.

The junior English classes of Mrs. Lewis is studying spelling.

The fourth group of Miss Leeka's foods 4 class prepared and served a breakfast this week. The participants were June Freeman, Nellie Tharington, Alta Mae Miller and Edith Lance.

Mr. Claude Huffman's biology classes recently closed their study of birds by an all-inclusive test. A list of 50 birds and the order names were turned in by the students last Monday.

The members of the English 8 class are still studying the poets of the English romantic period. Byron, Shelley, and Keats have received prime study attention during the past week.

The PHS industrial arts department, under the direction of Mr. J. M. Collie, is turning out everything from billfolds to kitchen cabinets, although the leather working department is temporarily out of use.

Mr. Collie has four new classes this semester, and the are allowed to use the machinery when they can show that their ability and skill is sufficient.

### Girls in Clothing

#### Work on Book Reviews

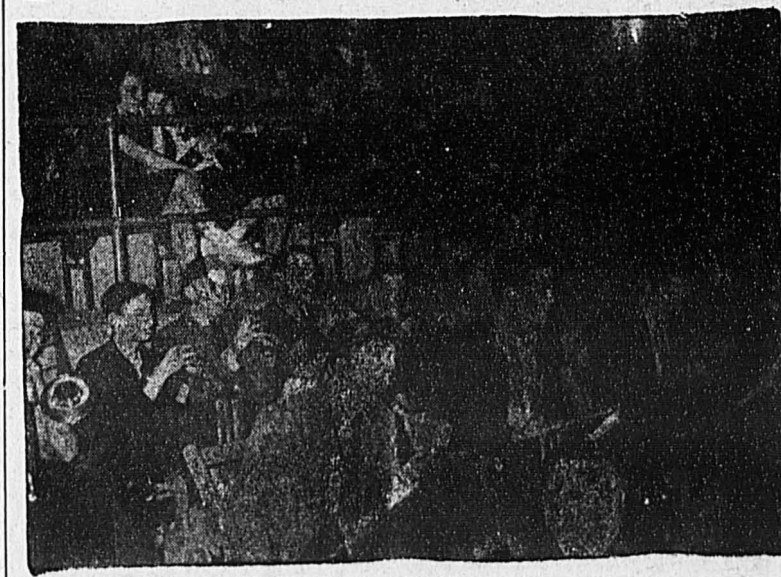
This semester the clothing classes are preparing book reviews for extra work. The third hour class is planning its second garment which is going to be a dress. They are now finishing their blouses.

The first hour members are also starting their first dresses which makes the second project of the second semester.

All the classes are preparing a clothing inventory which will help the girls in making their wardrobes, Miss Esther Gable said.

Miss Gable, the clothing instructor said, "The girls should make every minute count in order to get their requirements finished for the semester."

## Musical Dragons Play



Here is a picture of the Royal Dragons as they played for the victory dance in the Theodore Roosevelt gymnasium Monday afternoon. The face in the foreground is that of principal Finis M. Green, who was looking on. Members of the orchestra include Jerome Degen, Louis Massaglia, Bob Briggs, Paul Resler, H. B. Cheyne, Eugene Montee, Bill Albers, Bruce Paxton. All are PHS students or graduates of the school. (Russell Sherman photo)

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This is the last of a series of articles on the open scholarships to appear in the Booster. Further information on any awards offered may be obtained by seeing Mr. Finis M. Green, principal.

Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., holds out 100 scholarships in the Colleges of Liberal Arts, the schools of Education, Music, and Speech, and in the Technological Institute. Most of these awards cover one-half of the required tuition, but some of them are less, and a few of them cover all expenses.

Colorado College at Colorado Springs, Colo., has 50 trustee scholarships and ten honor scholarships to offer for one year, to be extended for more than the minimum if the student shows that he deserves it. One year here is worth in actual value, \$112.50

## Tally Ho Entertains Girl Reserve Members

Miss Calla Leeka's G. R. group carried out a unique program in a combined meeting of the Girl Reserves in the auditorium last Tuesday morning.

The girls presented a skit similar to Dr. I. Q. but termed with a new name, Tally Ho. Six helpers placed in the audience selected girls to be questioned by Tally ho, Tolly Keck. Nancy Fresto was the official timer and gong ringer.

The girls who helped were Shirley Dowling, Nadine Pethel, Jean Snider, Virginia Sanden, Anna Lou Cox and Peggy Dean Moore.

Shirley Dowling read the devotions. Violet Mae Waggoner, head of the group, presided.

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## Program Opens Booklet Sale

Entertainment Includes Music And Readings By PHS Students

A program of music and readings was given in assembly Tuesday morning to launch the sale of birthday booklets by the Girl Reserves organization.

First on the program were the devotions led by Virginia Plagens, devotional chairman of the G. R., by reading the One Hundredth Psalm reading a short prayer.

Secondly, a trio composed of Phyllis Fretwell, Joan Veatch, and Mini Nettles and accompanied by Zoe Wilma Baade, sang two numbers and an encore. They were "All the Things You Are" from "Very Warm For May" and "Moon Glow."

Elizabeth Oldham read "Entertaining the New Minister."

Mary Anderson, accompanied by Zoe Wilma Baade, sang the "Italian Street Song" from "Naughty Marietta" by Victor Herbert.

Nancy Fresto played a violin solo, "Czardas" by Monti. As an encore, she played the number that she intends to give at the contest of the Federation of Women's Clubs next Saturday, namely, the "First Movement of the Seventh Concerto" by Verde.

After the musical numbers, Jane Pratt, program chairman of the G. R. and chairman in charge of the sale of birthday booklets, explained the purpose and value of these booklets. "The booklets are valuable for two reasons, one for sentimental angles, and the other for the useful outlook," stated Jane Pratt.

After this announcement, Zoe Wilma Baade entertained the audience by some of her original compositions while twenty-six of the G. R. members sold booklets to the students for ten cents. Charlene Williams, president, presided.

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# Dragons Defeat Parsons; Win Tourney

## Down Vikings By 22 to 18 Score

### Local Boys Take Early Lead And Hold It For Most Of Game

Grabbing an early lead and holding on by tight defensive play the Dragons were able to get revenge of two previous defeats by Parsons, and win the Class AA division of the regional tournament last Saturday night before a near capacity crowd in Theodore Roosevelt gymnasium.

Harlan Peterson, tall Pittsburg guard, held the ace forward of the Parsons team, Dale Hall, to seven points to receive much of the credit for the Dragon victory.

The game started slowly with neither team scoring in the first four minutes of play. Charlie Leathers, Parsons guard, gave the Vikings a 2 to 0 lead by making a long one-hander but the Dragons soon rallied with Ryan swishing a long one, Pogson making a set-up and Ryan swishing another long one. Peterson made a side shot to give the Dragons an 8 to 2 lead as the first quarter of the thrilled packed game ended.

#### Increase Lead

The Dragons pulled farther away as the second quarter started on Johnson's free throw and Waltz's tip in.

Parsons rallied on baskets by Gibson and Hall and a free throw by Dick DeLongy to cut the lead to 11 to 7. Peterson scored on a setup for Pittsburg to make it 12 to 7.

Neither team scored in the last four minutes of the quarter and the half ended with Pittsburg in the lead 13 to 7.

Leathers made a free throw as the quarter got under way, but Ryan bettered it by swishing a long one. Two baskets and a free throw by Hall cut the lead to 13 to 15. Coulter made a free throw to boost the lead to 16 to 12 as the third quarter ended.

Gibson made a basket and two charity tosses to put Parsons into the lead 17 to 16, for the first time since the opening minutes. The players were getting tense as the clock moved around and in fighting for the ball Coulter and Ryan drew their fourth fouls.

#### Back Into Lead

With a little over a minute remaining in the last quarter Waltz drove under the basket and dropped one to put Pittsburg back in the lead 18 to 17. D. DeLongy tied it up with a free throw. Waltz hit from the side to make it 20 to 18. D. DeLongy missed a chance to tie the score when he missed both free throws from Waltz's foul. Waltz got the rebound for the Dragons.

With thirty seconds remaining and the ball in Pittsburg's hands, the Vikings became desperate. Hall fouled Peterson while trying for the ball. The Dragons chose to take the ball out of bounds instead of shooting the free throw.

Running under the basket and picking up a loose ball Gillin made a jump shot that hit its goal. This basket seemed to put the game on ice as there were only 20 seconds remaining in the game.

The Vikings were unable to score and so ended a very exciting game that saw the Pittsburg Dragons defeat the Parsons Vikings for the first time this year. Parsons had won 16 consecutive games. The two teams are both entering in the state tournament being held at Emporia this week.

The game of the evening saw the Arma Bulldogs bounce back in the last half to win from Cherokee for the title to the Class A division. The Bulldogs were behind 21 to 9 at the half and 27-22 at the end of the third quarter, but they put on a strong finish and won 34-27. Bob Barnes led the winners with good defensive play and 12 points.

The little town of Fontana, which has an enrollment of 38, defeated Mound City for the Class B title.

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Pittsburg-Parsons box score:

Pittsburg	fg	ft	f	Parsons	fg	ft	f
Pogson, f	1	0	0	Henry, f	0	0	0
Coulter, f	0	1	4	Gibson, f	2	2	3
Johnson, f	0	1	1	Hall, f	3	1	2
Gillin, f	1	0	1	H D'L'n'y, c	0	0	2
Waltz, c	3	0	2	Leathers, g	1	1	0
Peterson, g	2	0	0	D D'L'n'y, g	0	2	2
Ryan, g	3	0	4	Steinmetz, g	0	0	0

10 2 12 6 6 9

Running score by periods: 1 2 3 4  
Pittsburg 8 13 16 22  
Parsons 2 7 13 18  
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## Dragons Lose To McPherson

### Ryan High Point Man For Game, 13 Points; Only Misses Two

The Dragons were defeated 30-29 by McPherson last Wednesday night in the first round of the state basketball tournament being held at Emporia. A basket by Unruh, McPherson forward, in the last two seconds put the Dragons out of the running.

The first quarter started slowly but soon developed into a lively affair. It was a duel of fast breaks on McPherson's part and long shots by Francis Ryan. Ryan scored all of the Dragons points the first period. McPherson led 12 to 8 as the quarter ended after the lead had see-sawed back and forth.

Two baskets by Gillin and one each by George Pogson and Ryan sent Pittsburg into the lead soon after the second quarter started. Pittsburg soon lost its basket eye and was behind 20-18 as the half ended.

The third period was another see-sawing affair that saw Pittsburg leading all the way, the Dragons were defeated in the last two seconds of play. With two minutes remaining the Dragons were leading 29-24 when Grant made two charity tosses good off Waltz's foul to cut the lead to 29-26. Unruh then intercepted a Dragon pass and made a setup that brought the score 29-28 with 20 seconds remaining. After rassing with a Pittsburg player for the ball, Unruh made the winning basket with two seconds left to play.

### Play Quarter Finals Next in Girls' Contest

The second round of intramurals basketball for girls was completed this week and the quarter finals will be played next. Intramurals will last three more weeks when the winning two teams will play off the finals.

The results of last Friday's games ended with Thorpe defeating Hartford 19 to 9 and Woods defeating Bidggs 15 to 6. It was a hard fought battle as there were only three players on on each team and it proved to be one of the most exciting games of the tournament.

The lower bracket games played this week were Lundquest against Hatton, Waltz against Tewell, and Lewis against White. The quarter finals will start next week with only one more round of games.

The little rain drop crept up to the speck of dust and said, "From now on your name is mud."

A blotter is something to look for while the ink dries.

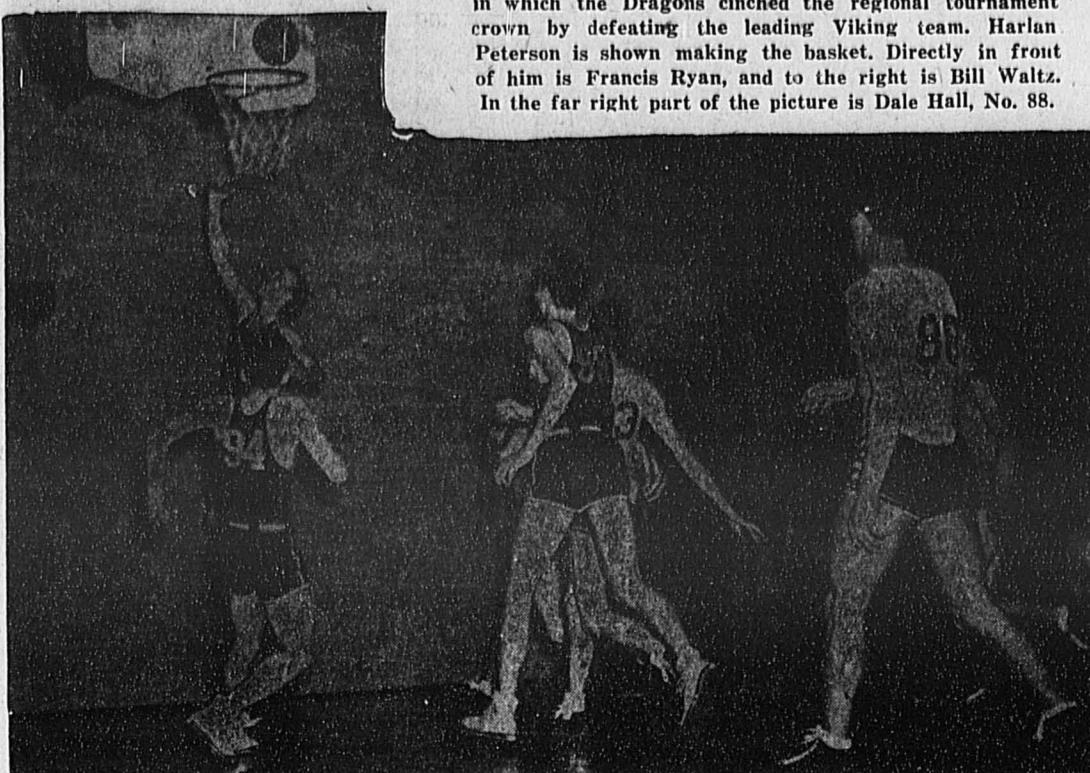
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## YEA PITTSBURG

This is an action shot of the Parsons-Pittsburg game in which the Dragons cinched the regional tournament crown by defeating the leading Viking team. Harlan Peterson is shown making the basket. Directly in front of him is Francis Ryan, and to the right is Bill Waltz. In the far right part of the picture is Dale Hall, No. 88.



—BOOSTER LECTURE—

## To Hold Track Meet Next Week

### No Restrictions On Number Of Events Each May Enter

The annual inter-class track meet will begin next week, according to Mr. F. M. Snodgrass, track coach.

No restrictions will be made as to the number of events a boy may enter and both letterman and non-letterman are eligible.

The order of events is as follows: Monday: The mile run, 100-yard dash, pole vault, and shotput.

Tuesday: 440-yard dash, high jump, 70-yard high hurdles, and discus throw.

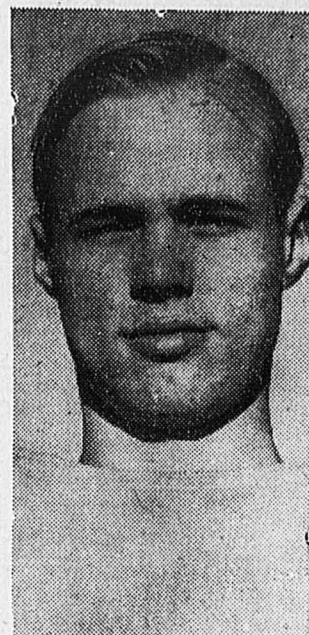
Wednesday: 880-yard run, broad jump, 20-yard dash, javelin hurl, 880-yard relay.

Thursday: 110-yard low hurdles, medley relay.

Friday: mile run.

Five places will be counted in all events except the relays. The number of points will be five for first, four for second, three for third, two for fourth, and one for fifth. The number of points in the relays will be five for first, three for second, and one for third.

### STOPS PARSONS STAR



Headlight—PICTURES—Sun

Harlan Peterson, Dragon guard, held the Parsons scoring ace, Dale Hall, to seven points in the Pittsburg-Parsons games here Saturday night in the finals of the regional tournament. Peterson was an effective bottleneck between Hall and the basket.

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By Don German

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If there was to be given an award last week's tournament, I think it would go to Bob Barnes of Arma. In both the semi-final and final game Arma was behind at the half. Bob kept a cool head and kept the team alert and in good spirits. He scored 13 and 12 points in the last two games respectively. He is a good football player too.

In talking to some of the Booster fans last Saturday night I was asked of the Booster was going to pick any all-tournament team. Well, here

In class AA I would put H. DeLongy and Gibson of Parsons at forwards, Bill Waltz at center, and Frances Ryan and Harlan Peterson at guard. I'd name Peterson captain. Some won't agree with me on my picking because Hall and Leathers are not on it. Leathers played to bad of a game against Columbus and Hall didn't play well enough against the Dragons. He didn't do anything offensively and he wasn't anything extra on defensive play. The Dragons guards drove around him all night. Columbus didn't have any one good enough in the first place.

In class A I would have Sparks of Arma and Naccadatto of Cherokee at forward, Barnes of Arma, center and captain, and Olson of Erie and Weytkow of Arma guards.

For the all star team consisting of all three classes I would put H. DeLongy of Parsons and Ryan of Pittsburg and Barnes of Arma at guards. Barnes would be my pick for captain.

The game between the Dragons and the Fort Scott Tigers was one of those kind that are not supposed to be. It was just a little worse than rough, and I don't mean on the Dragons part either. Once in awhile the Dragons get rough, but it is not intentional.

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### PARSONS STAR



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This is Dale Hall, star of the Parsons Vikings, who was held to seven points in the Saturday night game with the Dragons. Hall is just a junior this year so he will be a threat next year to the Dragons.

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## PHS Golfers to Meet Joplin Squad Next Week

The PHS golf season will get under way next Friday when the PHS team will journey to Joplin to meet the Joplin team.

Mr. C. H. Lundquest, golf coach, said that due to the poor weather it was necessary to select members of the team from their past record. This does not mean that these boys will make up the team for the rest of the year, for others may develop.

In future matches the team will be selected solely according to their qualifying scores turned in before the matches.

Those selected were Leland Kirk, Frank Kirk, Kenney Smith, and Jack Delamaide. Two more will be selected from Bob Barbero, Bill Delamaide, and Charles Klobassa.

During the past week Juan Zimmerman won from Marvin Dickinson by a forfeit in the high school tournament.

Of those going to Joplin, Frank and Leland Kirk are letterman of last year. Kenny Smith played last year but did not letter. To letter this year one must play in seven out of ten games scheduled.

The Allied Youth members are having their next meeting on Monday in the little theater at 7:30 o'clock. John Schneider, member of the organization, has charge of the program.

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