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Students Expected to Welcome

Roeber and Pyle Will Assume Editorship

New Staff To Serve For Twelve Weeks

Janet Malcolm Is To Resume Duties As Business Manager

The Booster Staff changed hands this week as Betty Pyle and Evelyn Roeber assumed co-editorship, filling the vacancies left by Maurice Mosier and Billy Scott, who are now emeriti. The new staff will serve for a period of about twelve weeks.



Roeber



Pyle

The co-editors had formerly served as associate editors. Filling the associate editor positions will be Mildred Sherman, Virginia Kennedy, and Charles Wheeler.

Bill Daugherty is now sport editor replacing J. O. Biggs, who will serve as assistant sport editor along with Bill Delamaide.

Other editors include Mimi Nettles, exchange; Rosemary Skerart; Betty Latty; feature; Delores Williams, clubs.

Janet Malcolm will continue her duties as business manager while Margaret Bailey serves as circulation manager.

Reporters include Mimi Nettles, Lois Meyer, Ruth Otto, Betty Barbero, Joan Veatch, and Jean Helbig.

Ad solicitors will be Don Lynn, Harlow Roberts, Beverly Stacy, Lois Meyer, Ruth Otto, Betty Barbero, Helen Coghill and Joan Higgins.

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Old Grads Are Guests At Annual PHS Homecoming

Former Students to be Honored With Dance After Musical Program

This afternoon the halls of PHS are filled with former students, here for the Annual Homecoming Day.

The student council, under the direction of Mr. Ellsworth Briggs and President Charles Wheeler, worked out this schedule. Classes were dismissed at 2 p. m. All "old grads" were registered in the front by Student Council secretary Evelyn Roeber. Every former student was given a pin tag with name and year of graduation.

The program presented was as follows; S.C. President Charles Wheeler welcome "old grads"; Jack Collins, last year's president, responded as representative for the "old grads"; a vocal solo by Mrs. Lavin Graham Holden, accompanied by Mrs. McKinley Akey; comment by Principal Finis M. Green; introduction of Superintendent Howard D. McEachen and Miss Francis Palmer; a vocal number by the girls' trio composed of Joan Veatch, Mimi Nettles, and Phyllis Fretwell; a speech by principal-emeritus J. L. Hutchinson; presentation of classes; and a musical number by Gerald Hutton.

Following this program, "old grads" will assemble in the front steps for the P&W picture.

After this faculty members and "old grads" will meet in the Little Theatre for visiting. Following this there will be a dance from 8 to 9:30 o'clock.

The program will end with a basketball game between Lawrence and the Dragons at 7:30 P. M.

Historic Declaration Is Recorded For PHS

As President Roosevelt declared the United States and Japan to be in a state of war, Green made a recording of this historic occasion to keep as a permanent record of history for PHS students in the future to read and be inspired by.

The declaration of war was unique in that it was the first declaration of war to be broadcast. The explanation is simple. There were no radios in the last World War.

Shoup Injured

Ossie Shoup's knee was injured in the basketball game last Friday night at Chanute, and he reports that he doesn't know when he'll be able to resume his basketball career. Ossie had to use a crutch for about five days. He is a sophomore and is already outstanding as a guard on the team. In this field.

Vacation Time Arrives Here; Ends on Jan. 5

Vacation time is here! Boy, is that music to the ears! Yes, as students leave PHS today, it will be for a sixteen day Christmas vacation. It is one-sixth the length of the summer vacation.

During the Christmas vacation there will be a basketball game with the Parsons Vikings. There the basketball boys will practice during the holiday period. The game with the title holders of the SEK league in football will be played on Jan. 2.

But then to every story there's a sad part, and this one is no exception; for on the fifth day of January, PHS students will come back to school to begin resting for the next vacation. Probably when the students get back the first question asked by many will be: When does the next vacation begin?



—BOOSTER LECTURE
This Christmas tree novelty was carried out in the end of the library by Mr. Doran C. Woods and Miss Elizabeth Chausant, librarians. Here they are shown decorating the tree with the covers from the newest books.

We Think

Welcome Old Grads

Here's a cordial welcome to all you old Grads from The Booster. Does the old school still look the same and do the students act the same as when you were here? We have several new things in our school, but it is still full of the same type of loyal students as it was when you were a student. Look over the place and go see your former teachers; they'll be glad to see you and talk with you. We hope that you enjoy our program which the student council has prepared.

We hope you will come to our game to-night and cheer the Dragons on to victory again. You will enjoy yelling for PHS again. —The Booster Staff

We Take A Bow And Hope To Please

The new Booster staff hopes to please the students in every way possible in the near future. We will try to make The Booster as interesting and worthwhile as it has been in the past; and if you, the students, wish to make any contributions or suggestions, either report to one of the staff members, or put your correspondence in The Booster box, which is located on second floor between the front entrances to the auditorium. —The Editors.

Economics To Carve Victory From Japan

When Japan made her surprise attack on Hawaii nearly two weeks ago it left your reporter completely without words, much the same as the rest of the country. Just what did Japan think she could gain by making this unexpected attack? That's the question that is on the tongues of most of the American people now.

Before attempting to explain this attack, let us first analyze the conditions between the two countries when the Japs made this "planned" move that brought almost all of the rest of the world into this war. The very morning of the day that the attack began the Japanese ambassadors in Washington were planning another meeting with Secretary of State Hull. It is evident that the attack had been well planned, one which probably the ambassadors themselves knew about. The Japs were trying to hide their important move in the Pacific by invading Siam.

The Japs thought that we would move our attention to this invasion instead of thinking of our Pacific defense being in danger at that time. They apparently thought they could easily destroy much equipment before anything much could be done about it. But it seems that Uncle Sam was ready, and they did not succeed in destroying as much as had been planned.

If Japan is to win this war, she knows she must win it very quickly and get it over with. Although she has a large well-equipped army, there is hardly any material left to build more equipment. Taking this fact into consideration, the Japs know they must win battles without loss of much equipment. The U. S. in contrast to the Japanese situation, has plenty of material to build replacements.

Taking the above facts into consideration, we can see only one possible thing, the United States will win by mere economics, if not by anything else. With the U. S. army and Navy behind us, though, we know we could win without the economics. Yes, Japan seems to have carved her own epitaph trying to fight the United States. —W. S.

According to reports from the Malayan area, there is more along "The Road To Singapore" than "flying fishes."

Recent attacks on the Philippines did not give the Japs what they wanted, namely, Manila. Instead what they got was the "raspberry."

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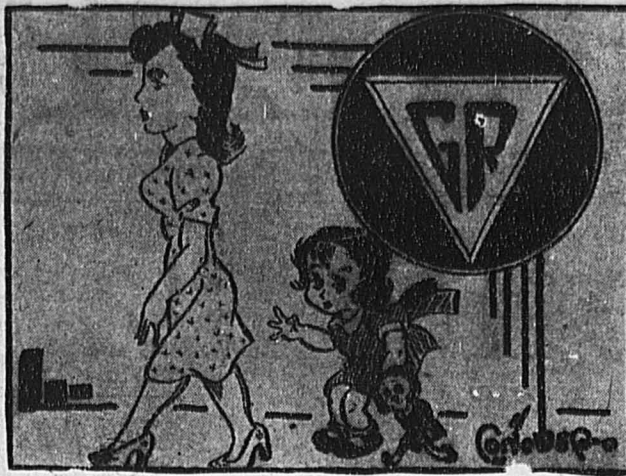
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Greetings Grads



Welcome back to PHS old grads. In the past years Pittsburgh High has welcomed you heartily, and again this year you have accepted our invitation. We hope you will enjoy your visit here this afternoon and will feel that you are again student of Pittsburgh High School.

Who's My Big Sis?



The Big Little Sister Party was a big hit last Tuesday night with most of the little sisters not knowing who their big sisters were until that night. The little sisters were dressed as little girls and devoured huge all day suckers and peppermints.

Buy Those Defense Bonds and Stamps

The government is selling national defense stamps and bonds. The U. S. is facing a change in the economic welfare that can only be gapped with your contributions and mine.

You can buy these stamps almost everywhere. Skip that show and buy one. Prove your right to be an American; show that spirit which has been inherited by us from our forefathers, the builders of America, and put your money in national defense stamps the key that will lock out Hitlerism and all it stands for. —B. P.

If You Back America It Will Back You

Some people are determined to have the worst depression this country's citizens have seen, immediately after the defense spending stops. Many students and even older people talk about millions on the bread line and 15 cent dollars just as if they were economic experts. Let us be honest; no one knows what is going to happen after this spending stops. Much depends of the length of the war and the economic aspects of the peace.

One government official has said the cost of carrying out post-war program which the Federal Reserve Board has set up will cost more than the defense program has cost. This brings up the national debt. Many people say this country could not stand up under a bigger national debt than we have at the present. Even the experts do not know what size of a debt this country could stand. First they said fifty billion; now with Japan hammering at the gate they say seventy-five billions, and their figures are rising with every tank that is produced in our factories.

The economic security of our nation after the war depends on the people; if the people think we will have a bad depression we will have one. One of the main causes of depressions is the public's opinion.

Our forefathers built America for us. In no other country would we get the freedom we get in these United States. You can aid the country with its national debt, by buying national defense bonds and defense stamps. Remember if you back America, America will back you. Don Lynn.

From The Library Shelves

By Ruth Otto
Meet The Murderer!

by Warden Lewis E. Lawes

The author of this book is the warden at Sing Sing prison. He described the first murderer he ever met as being a polite, mild mannered man, who showed him on his first day as guard in the shoe factory, how to get along with the other prisoners without the weapon he had with him.

In one part, Warden Lawes described the kind of people murderers are. Some commit the crime because of ignorance, and others because of fright or anger. Some of the people he described had never had their names on police records until they were found guilty of murder. Others worried little about murdering people, but would not kill an insect in their cells.

The men in the death house have certain "ethics." On the night of an execution, the prisoners are allowed to bid farewell to condemned men. In that night, he may have any thing he wants for his last meal, and as a result of custom, usually orders enough for all, knowing that what he leaves will be given to the remaining men.

In years of experience, Warden Lawes has encountered all sorts of criminals and he asserted in this book that "murderers make the best prisoners."

This is a very good book. Although not entertaining, it is interesting and is not difficult reading material.

The Japs learned after their attack on Hawaii, that there were more than pears in Pearl Harbor, and those things that brought down their planes weren't oyster "shells."

Alas for the Japanese, because Uncle Sam is going to "spit" on the "rising sun."

The Cat

Boy o' Boy, and I do mean Boy. That seems to be all we are seeing around Pittsburgh these days. Of course they are the fellows in uniform who are to defend our country in war. We want to do all we can to make them happy while they are with us, and the girls trying to do their share by sending them candy, cookies, knitted garments (either too small or too big is okay dokey anyhow), and are entertaining them with dances.

Doris Vincent is doing her part in defense by dating one of these handsome Alabama cavalry men "with an accent." Doris said that he had one do-jigger on his coat sleeve and the rest of the fellows didn't have one. We're in the Army now.

Now of course we all must support our government with sending all the mail we can (most of us can't). Well as I was saying—Joan Higgins is sure doing her part by writing to Bob Coppenbarger (I don't know him, do you?) He's to be here at Xmas time and we'll probably see him then. I hope!

And how did you like the "Embarrassing Moments Section" of last week's Booster? Okay! Well that's swell. Are you known as Nonchalant Nellie or Betty the Blush? See if you can check the proper procedure for poised people. Gwan, see if you can!

Supposin' that —
Bonnie Holden, glamorous in gobs of organdy and floppy hat, is attending a garden party. Absent-mindedly she lurches into the lily pond.

Bonnie —

1. Plucks a pink lily.
2. Practices surface diving.
3. Ask for the soap.

Camilla Bumgarner's mother insists upon showing Dave that baby picture of Cam, foot in mouth. Cam —

1. Eats the picture.
2. Sits on the picture.

3. Puts her foot in mother's mouth.

You remark to a boy beside you that you think the girl by the banana tree ((the one on Mrs. Peterson's biology tour) is a Grade-A goon. He says she's his kid sister. You —

1. Offer him a gumdrop.
2. Say you're sorry the gal's so ghashtly.

3. Say you're sorry she's his sister.

Jimmy Rupard has been getting notes a mile long that usually end with a little French saying such as "avee l'amour". My curiosity is no longer aroused as I've found that the notes are coming from popular Beverly Stacy. Popular really isn't the word for the gal. On her dating list are Bob Piper, Bob Uttley, Francis Potai, Marvin Tucker, Merle Tipton, and Jimmy Rupard, and — oh! yes, her dream man from M.U.

Having home-coming this week everyone is all aglow with spirit to entertain our old grads. Some of our fellow students will be glad to welcome back the students who were in the same classification as they were (once?). Let's all welcome the ones close to a hundred the same as those who are still youngsters yet.

To all you Super Subs goodbye until —well just until.

THE CAT

Harry: Did you hear about the fellow who invented a device for looking through a brick wall?

Vance: No! What does he call it?

Harry: A window sap!

—The Burlington Key

The students of Dodge City took over the school for a day. The teachers were among the students in the classrooms.

—Clipper

An Ohio church committee slips a dollar bill into one hymn book each Sunday to stimulate attendance.

—The High School Record

Batty Latty

Hil Got your Christmas shoplifting done? I haven't (small wonder that the call me Last-Minute Latty.)

My! My!

Have "Ootie" Roberts and Theresa Lavery repaired their fuss over Max Streckenfinger and are steady-again? ... Don Loss's heart has strayed outside the PHS field again her name is Deloris. ... We shot Delmer Cezar had his eyes on Virginia Tewell, but what about those notes to Doris Fast? (They're being ghosted by Cecil Butler, too). Miss Fintel would like to read some of those notes which Mason Atkins has in algebra—they're from June Rusher. ... Remember them Jr. Hi glammer gals? One of them recently wrote Jack Hutto a note with the envelope tastily(?) smeared with lipstick. We hear he has her thinking of steadying it. ... Handholders: Bob Green and Louise DuBois. ... Note to Willie Edge: Is it Lois Meyer or Jean Helbig? ...

Couldn't resist this One, Either: Mary... Mary... quite... contrary, How does... your garden... grow? With silver bells and cockle shells And one lousy little petunia...

We're Predicting: ... Higher honors for "White Cliffs of Dover," a swell new tune already ninth on the Hit Parade. ... That more and more gaily colored cotton "longie" hose will be worn, since silk is taboo and nylon may be drafted for parachutes. ...

Et Cetera. ... Have you heard the one about the ghost who wanted to join the air corps? ... Latest angles in apple polishing Rotey Skaer and Gerry Lewis giving Mr. Nation lollypops; Carl Evans feeding caramels to Mr. Thiebaud; Jack Rogers giving California persimmons to Miss Farnier and Miss Radell. ... Harlow Roberts took "cleanup week" to heart and did a one-man cleanup of the journalism morgue. (Yeah! That's where this dead stuff comes from.) "Bobbie", that's the kind of a man to have. ... Speak-

ing of cleanup, why, oh why, don't those cowboy actors change their shirts at least once a picture? ... Could mention a certain boy's fan dance at a party, but "Bits by Guess Who doesn't like for us to mention his name. ... Roy Smith just loves to chew gum in Miss Fintel's room, so he must dust chairs after school equally as much. ... Saw Lillian Pelphrey, Bob Papadakes, and Helen Bendetto playing three cornered catch in library Tsk Tskl. ... Would like to say, "Welcome to the old grads". ... And since New Year's and Christmas will have come and gone before we see you again, here's best wishes for both from this department. And we'll be back about the ninth of January. ... Merry Christmas From This department. ...

Intoxicated driving, uncontrolled thumbing, and indiscriminate spooning are among the major menaces to our highway safety. Or to put it briefly: Hic, hike, hug.

—Springfield High Times

They met in a revolving door and started going around together.

A man gazed incredulously at a huge mounted fish. Finally he said: "The man who caught that fish is a liar!"

A Philadelphia baker has produced a doughnut with a handle.

Coed to a girl friend: "I have an dined the "Dunker's Delight" — a uncomfortable feeling we're not being followed."



—Abadaba, gals! How are ya? We're back again with a dashing bit of fashion concerning that fall and winter wardrobe of yours, or the one you'd like to have.

PHS looks like a cross section between a lumber camp and the Scotch highlands with all the plaid skirts and dresses that have invaded the place. Seems as th' pastel shades are on top, too, I guess you all noticed Peggy Moore's cute sweater and skirt outfit that she wore in the first act of the junior play. Pretty nifty, eh?

This week we're going to pick out a few odds and ends and feature their outstanding aspects.

Let's pick out an ideal girl and give her some accessories, which at some time or other are a "much" in every girl's outfit. We'll travel vertically and examine each added trinket for its fashion possibilities.

Atop the latest hairdo's of evry type we find some very reasonable facimiles of nature, for artificial flowers are definitely 'in.' Jody Veatch wears some cute ones with an equally outstanding sweater of matching baby pink.

Lapel pins of every shape, size, and quality are the season's outstanding fashion point, for a flashy patriotic button-hole pin can perk-up last years suit 'til it looks like new. Have you tried naming yours? It's fun call it the favorite boy friend's name.

Another oddity which is definitely "all the go" is a studded belt to wear with plaid or swing skirts, with matching anklets. Ella Ahrens has one which she wears well with her green skirt.

Reaching the body extremities, we find rings are of an unlimited value for a smart appearance. Have you noticed Batty Latty's marble ring which for some reason always matches her nail polish? Clever, eh?

While yours truly was in speakers' paradise at Coffeyville recently last she noticed that hair ribbons have definitely fallen in style but not in popularity, for they're now being worn as shoe laces to match the dress or outfit you have on.

That takes us from head to foot and will tie us over until next week. And in the meantime why don't you drop your report a line via the Booster box?

Thanks a lot and here's to you for a season of flashy accessories.

Hither and Yon

By Jean Helbig

Joe: Do you wanta fly?

Jill: Oh, I'd love it!

Joe: I'll catch you one.

—Wyandotte HI

A stitch in time saves -er- embarrassment.

—The Parakeet

Professor: "A fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer" Sophomore: "No wonder I flunked."

—Fort Scott Herald

Did you miss your train, sir?

No, I didn't like its looks, so I chased it out of the station.

—Madison School Crier

Geographically speaking: A conversation between a waitress, a customer, and the waitress's boss: — W.—Hawaii, sir? You must be Hungry.

C.—Yes, Siam, and I can't Rumania here long.

W.—I'll Russia a table, What'll you have?

C.—Anything, but can't Jamaica little speed?

W.—I don't think so, but Alaska.

C.—Never mind asking anyone. Just put a Cuba sugar in my China.

W.—Sweden if yourself, I'm only here to Servia.

C.—Denmark my bill and call the boss. He'll probably Kenya. I don't Bolivia know who I am!

W.—No, and N don't Caribbean, What got India? You think this Alps business?

C.—Canada noise, Spain in the neck. D'ya reckon we've civered enough territory? I Moscow now anyway.

—The Blue Jay

"My father has George Washington" "My father has George Washington's watch."

"That's nothing, my dad has Adam's apple."

—Pep o'Plant

PHS Diplomas Not Questioned

Central Association Approves Standards In Secondary Schools

"PHS diplomas are not questioned by colleges," said Principal Finis M. Green, who attended the regional North Central Association conference held Saturday at Kansas City, Mo.

The aims of the North Central Association of colleges and secondary schools are, first, to bring about a better acquaintance, a keener sympathy and a heartier cooperation between the colleges and secondary schools of this territory; second, to consider common educational problems and to devise the best ways and means of solving them; and third, to promote the physical, intellectual and moral well-being of students by urging proper sanitary conditions of school buildings, adequate library and laboratory facilities, and higher standards of scholarship.

The association aims to approve only those schools that possess organization, teaching force, standards of scholarship, equipment, and esprit de corps of such character as will unhesitatingly comment them to any educator, college or university in the territory of the North Central Association.

The association believes furthermore, that the policies and regulations adopted and the criteria used as bases for the approval of secondary schools should be evaluative in character and should serve to encourage a maximum of growth and development on the part of its member schools.

Coral Snake At Home In Mr. Huffman's Room

The non-poisonous variety of the Coral snake was brought to Mr. Claud Huffman's biology classes by Howard Oldham. He said that some miners found it north of Pittsburg.

Mr. Huffman said this snake is very rare and this is only the second one that has been found around here in seventeen years.

The variety of this snake found in the South is poisonous. The way to tell the poisonous ones from the others are the poisonous ones have a wide black stripe separated from the scarlet patch by a narrow band of yellow; the non-poisonous ones have a narrow black band separated from the scarlet by a wide yellow band.

Jackson Speaks

Carl Jackson, from the Kansas Gas & Electric Company, spoke Tuesday morning to Academy of Science in Mr. Huffman's room about the history of lighting and the present developments in his field.

Only Two Firms Offer Annual Covers

The annual staff is now considering what type of cover they want for this year's yearbook Mrs. Dora Peterson said. There have been offers from only two companies so far. They are the Vectold company, St. Louis, and the S. K. Smith company in Chicago.

The sophomore pictures now turned in have reached the 200 mark. There will be enough for five panels and maybe more, according to Mrs. Peterson.

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Letters To Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,

I want a toy grocery store, a tricycle and a big doll. I think some bunny house slippers would be nice to have too. I'd like to have a new doll buggy, since my old one doesn't have wheels anymore.

Love,
Marilyn Canfield

Dear Santa,

I've got a stocking this year that will hold almost anything and I'll settle for Lana Turner but if you find that she's not available, just forget it. Second, I'd like an electric train, so I can amuse myself these long winter evenings. (if you bring Lana I won't need the train) I know Santa that I'm getting a little old for these things but I want an erector set. That's about all I want, but be good to all the boys and girls of the world and if you're around that way drop Hitler my love in the shape of a bomb.

Thank you,
Danny Demon, alias Dana Lemler

Dear Santa,

First of all I want to tell you that I sure have tried to be good this year. I only knocked down little Sophie down while running to the cafeteria and that was accidental. It wasn't altogether my fault either cause he got in my way.

Now for the presents. I don't want to be selfish and ask when there are so many people that need things so I'll just ask you to please send me a little electric stove to cook my mud pies on. I'm so sick of eating them raw!!

Hopefully,
Marilyn Sweeney
PS. Just one more thing- Could you please include J.O. in my order?

Dear Mister Clause,

We have all been good little girls this year. We never whisper in school or pass notes or nothing. We ain't askin for much this year on account of defense. If you could please drop in our stockings one large size convertible apiece, three fur coats, the SEK basketball championship we'd all sure be mighty grateful.

J. Veatch
B. Lance

Dear Thanto Cwauth,

Thith year I've a good boy. Heavenh only knowh how. With all the pwetty girlh around. And me without a date, wow! I only want a brand new car. All thined up and with a loud horn. Then all the galh will flock around. And I'll take my pick--by gum.
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Homecomers of Last Year



This the group of Pittsburg High School graduates as they posed for the Purple & White camera-man while attending the homecoming festivities last year. A picture of this years group is to be taken today.

Little Bits

Betty Latty led the discussion in Forum Club last Tuesday. The topic for discussion was "The Shortage of Rubber".

Ruth Hoskins has returned to school after a long illness. She has been suffering from scarlet fever.

Miss Ferda Hatton's bookkeeping classes have started working on the Potter practice set. The business papers include the bookkeeping cycle.

Girl Reserve Chairman Postpones Local Visit

Miss Lovena Stone, program chairman of Girl Reserves in the state of Kansas, was scheduled to speak had to be postponed because of her illness. Miss Stone took influenza and was confined to bed at the Hotel Besse. She was also scheduled to speak at Arma, Columbus, and several of the other towns around Pittsburg.

Miss Stone returned to Wichita, her home, last week. She stated that she would return to Pittsburg in February or early in the spring.

Some people cause happiness whenever they go, and others cause happiness whenever they go.

—Clipped

The jokesmith sent a batch of jokes to the paper. The editor rejected them, but when he threw them into the stove the fire simply roared.

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Old American Custom From Victoria's Reign

Many boys and girls have accepted the custom of the boy walking on the outside nearest the street without question. But did you ever think to ask why?

The custom is a carry-over from the days of Queen Victoria's reign. During that time it was customary for housewives to throw garbage into the gutters of the streets. When carriages drove up to the curb, the debris was splashed all over the sidewalk. In order to be in the essence of politeness, the gentleman walked nearest the curb and spashed garbage on the pedestrians instead of the lady with whom he was walking.

Ever though the cities, disposal habits are now more sanitary, the custom has still prevailed through the years. So, boys, walk on the outside!



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Christmas Decorations Give Life To Journalism "Morgue"

The holiday decorations in the journalism "morgue" have given life to a dead place. Journalism students helped decorate it last week. There are three giant crepe paper bells suspended from the handrail. On the doors are strings of bright red Christmas rope looped with wreaths as an added feature. Two paper bells, with more decorations of rope, are placed on the window of the "morgue." On the door of the classroom itself is an appropriate painting such as are on all doors this year.

The library has a giant tree at the south end, which is decorated with Christmas ornaments and book covers, representing gifts.

Supt. McEachen To Address Hi-Y groups

Superintendent Howard D. McEachen will be the principal speaker at a joint meeting of the Hi-Y boys in the little theater Thursday, January 8, after the Christmas vacation.

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Kansas Club Members Hold Christmas Program

As a Christmas program in the Kansas Club some of the members told about the symbols of Christmas. They were as follows:

The Yule Log, Mildred Richardson; the Christmas Tree, Verla Lantz; The Poinsettia, Juene Moffatt; Christmas Fowl, Louise Allen.

At the conclusion the group sang Christmas carols.

Supplies For Woodworking Classes Have Arrived

Lumber and supplies which have been held up by national defense and priority ratings have now arrived for Mr. J. M. Collie's woodworking classes to use in their work "The students are doing their best to catch upon their projects," Mr. Collie stated.

Bookish Christmas Tree On Display In Library

A novel and appropriate Christmas tree has added a festive note to a corner of the library for the past week.

The tree is decorated with lights and tinsel and instead of the usual ball decorations, brightly colored book jackets of new additions to the library have been substituted.

Economics Students Working On Reports

The economic classes of Mr. George Frey and Mr. Ellsworth Briggs have been working on term reports about national or local economical problems.

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Dragons Win Two, Lose One; Lawrence Here Tonight

Bow to Comets Friday; Defeat Titans Tuesday

Chanute Edges Out In Final; 35-32; Win Over Columbus; 36-35

The Chanute Comets defeated the Dragons 25 to 32 in the first S.E.K. game for both schools last Friday night at Chanute.

The game was close all the way with Pittsburg leading 21 to 18 at the end of the half and the score being 25 all at the close of the third quarter.

Pittsburg took a five point lead in the first minute and a half of the second half on a setup by Clair Gillin, a long shot by Joe Gray, and a free throw by Gillin. The Comets then began to score and they tied the score at 20 with three and a half minutes left in the game.

Moore put the Comets ahead, but Gillin tied the score. With a minute to go Markham scored on a long shot and then made a free throw when he was fouled by Biggs on the shot to put Chanute three points ahead.

Pittsburg then gained possession of the ball and tried desperately to tie the score but Chanute took the ball and played keep-away for the remainder of the game.

Scoring honors went to Moore and Ashley of Chanute and Coulter of Pittsburg, each scoring twelve points.

Pittsburg (32)			Chanute (36)				
	fg	ft	fg	ft	fg	ft	
Biggs, f	2	1 2	Moore, f	5	2 1		
Horton, f	0	0 1	Markham, f	2	1 0		
Coulter, f	5	2 2	Ashley, c	6	0 3		
Gilllin, c	4	3 2	Keith, g	0	0 2		
Shoup, g	0	0 0	Coder, g	1	0 0		
J. Gray, g	1	0 1	Arthur, g	1	2 2		
Cole, g	1	0 1					
Davis, g	0	0 0					
					15	5 7	

Score by periods

Beat Columbus

The Pittsburg Dragons broke into the victory column last Tuesday night by defeating a small but aggressive Columbus team 36 to 32.

The game appeared as though it was going to be a rout for Pittsburg in the first quarter as the period ended 13 to 2. The score at the end of the first half was 22 to 14 in favor of the Dragons.

In the third quarter the Titans started hitting the basket and pulled up to within four points of the Dragons but Coulter and Biggs hit the basket for two quick goals and the period ended 32 to 25. In the last quarter Pittsburg held the ball most of the time and the Titans tried desperately to gain possession of the ball.

Lawrence of Columbus took scoring honors with fifteen points and Coulter of Pittsburg was second with 14.

In the preliminary game the Pittsburg sophomore team defeated the Columbus sophomores 22 to 14 with Bob Schwanzle leading the attack.

Pittsburg (36)			Columbus (32)		
	fg	ft		fg	ft
Coulter, f	6	2 0	Lawrence, f	4	7 2
Biggs, f	5	0 3	Rader, c	0	0 0
Gilllin, c	3	0 4	Dill, f	2	0 2
Kelly, c	1	0 1	Timney, c	0	1 0
Schwanzle, g	1	0 0	Lowrie, g	1	2 1
Horton, g	0	0 0	Munoz, g	2	0 4
Davis, g	0	1 0	Lyerla, g	2	0 1
J. Gray, g	0	1 0			
Totals	16	4 14	Totals	11	10 10
Score by quarters					
Pittsburg	13	23	32	36	—36
Columbus	2	14	25	32	—32

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A. J. Cripe
Town Talk
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The Dope's Bucket

by Maurice Mosier

Back again with a few facts about the world of sports which today appears to be in a bad way because of the war. A lot of prominent persons in the sports field have been inducted into the service or soon will be. Some of them are Bobby Feller, Hank Greenberg (called back after being released a few days before), Joe Louis (expects to go soon), and several college cagers will not be playing this season.

Reports are that the Rose Bowl game may be played in Duke stadium since all such events have been canceled in the west.

Drawn of the week

Kenny Coulter, junior forward, will probably be the sparkplug of the team this year. He was highpoint man for the Purple at Chanute and shared high game honors also. This curly red-headed lad handles the ball with grace and ease, and keeps a steady head through the toughest battles. He is exceptionally hard to guard and will be the "thorn in the flesh" of several SEK title aspirants. Pitt's title hopes depend a great deal on how Kenny comes through. Remember Kenny, we're behind you and are depending on you.

Tonight will be the first time Pitt has ever met Lawrence. Be there, it should be an interesting game.

Dribblings:

Ossie Shoup's knee injury is somewhat of a blow to the Dragon's, since he was expected to be a valuable man. He may be out for sometime, between the Dragons and Dale Hall (Parsons Vikings). In the game between Vikings and Coffeyville, Hall's score alone, was higher than the Tornado total. He scored 25 points, the rest of the team adding 11 to tromp Javatown 36-20. Winfield has what is probably the most famous of basketball families in the state and Midwest. They are the Tuckers. It all started with Loyd who played with WHS and then Southwestern college. He has been followed by Marvin, Olin, and Gerald, who is now a sophomore at the University of Oklahoma. It was probably not to the agony of other high schools in Ark Valley League that there are more of these brothers and cousins come up to Winfield this year. See you at the game tonight.

Mose

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Schedule for Dec. 20:

1:30	Chiselers vs. Pin Gals	1&2
	Flashettes vs. Snappy Snubs	3&4
	Clef Dwellers vs. Snud Dubs	5&6
	Lucky Spooks vs. Lucky Five	3&4
2:30	Rangers vs. Five Mites	1&2
	Steamliners vs. Pen Pushers	3&4
	Pin Splitters vs. Slickers	5&6
	All Stars vs. Elsies	7&8

During the Christmas vacation, teams may find their time of bowling by calling the "Y".

No more games will be scheduled at 3:30. The management feels that this arrangement will be more convenient.

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Dragons Swamp Tiger Cagers

Coulter Makes More Points Than All Of Fort Scott Team

The Pittsburg Dragons won their second SEK league game last night by swamping the Fort Scott Tigers by a score of 35 to 16 on the Roosevelt junior high court.

Kenneth Coulter, junior forward, led the Dragons to victory with nine field goals and three charity tosses for a total of 21 points. High point scorers for the Tigers were Singmaster and C. Hale with seven points each. Clair Gillin, Pitt center, made six points.

The starting line up of the Dragons was Coulter, Biggs, Davis, J. Gray, and Gillin. C. Hale, K. Hale, Singmaster, Chumela, and Crain composed the starting line up for the Tigers.

Pittsburg also won the sophomore game by a score of 32 to 28.

\$7.18 Worth Of Gum Found Under Chairs In One Room

Just \$7.18 worth of gum! Enough to furnish one student. With three sticks every school day!

Who ever had the money to buy that much? This is a sheer waste of money—especially when after the gum is chewed, it is thrown away. No not thrown away but stuck on chairs, for when members of the student council made a survey of the chairs in Mr. Briggs room, they found 718 wads of gum deposited under the chairs!

Translated, this means that PHS students have left \$7.18 worth of gum, during the years in Mr. Briggs' room alone. What waste, if all rooms had an equal amount of gum!

This survey was made during clean-up week. Perhaps gum depositors have learned a lesson. If they have gum to throw away, they should throw it in the wastebasket.

Rockford College Offers Scholarship

To be eligible to compete for a scholarship at Rockford college, an applicant must rank in the upper third of his class in secondary school must have been accepted by the committee on admission to Rockford College, and must plan to live in the residence halls.

Awards for the freshman regional competitive scholarship (\$300) are made on a basis of general excellence, determined by the applicant's academic record, personal recommendation, score on a scholastic aptitude test, an essay on a subject chosen by the college, and other information.

The scholarships that are offered are art, biology, chemistry, French, German, history, Latin, mathematics, music, physics, Spanish, speech and writing.

Principal Finis M. Green will furnish further information.

Dale Hall Makes State All-Star Team Again

For the second straight year, Dale Hall, Parsons star back and the Pittsburg Dragons Team made the 1941 all-Kansas high school football team selected by the Topeka Daily Capital last week. Hall was the only player on the first team that was also chosen last year.

Representing the SEK league on the second team is center Max Alcock of the Chanute Comets. Wayne Van Dolah, Independence end, and Clinton Ragland, Parsons tackle, made the third team.

Dragons To Meet Parsons Jan. 2

Vacation Interrupted By Cage Battle With Vikings Here

At 7:30 P. M. January 2, the Friday before we come back to school, the Purple Dragons will enter in the Parsons Vikings, on our court in their fourth SEK cage game.

This will probably be the last chance that Pittsburg fans will have to see the Vikings ace, Dale Hall, in action unless the regional tournament is here. Hall has been scoring about 24 points the Dragons should leave the court victorious.

Bailey Ricketts lost all of the members of last year's squad except Hall which so far appears to be enough but the Dragons will probably never be more determined than they will be when they "back up" against the Vikings.

PHS students will enjoy one of the longest vacations that there has been for Christmas. School will be dismissed this afternoon and will not start again until January 5.

Farrimond Is Valuable As Check Room Man

He's pretty big, but after all he has a pretty big job. Edwin "Poody" Farrimond weighs 250 pounds and should be able to handle the job as check room man and trainer. His duties consist of checking out basketball clothes and checking them in again. During football season it was football suits he issued and took care of. As a trainer he is to see that the first aid kit is completely stocked with materials necessary to administer first aid to injured athletes.

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Lockerroom Chatter

by J.O. Biggs

The Purple Dragons suffered a severe blow when Ossie Shoup, sophomore guard, injured his knee in last Friday's game at Chanute. It seems he has two joints causing a pressure on the nerve. It's a very painful injury and will take a good while to heal completely. Probably Ossie will be out of the line up for a couple of weeks or more. Larry Davis or possible Bob Schwanzle will be called upon to take over Shoup's guard duties.

Perhaps this is irrelevant and immaterial, but just to fill space I might name a few boys who played football this fall and are now playing basketball. They are Joe Gray, SEK end; Jack Crews, first string halfback; Bob Schwanzle, first string halfback; Ossie Shoup, who quarterbacked the sophomore team and yours truly who played — sometimes

Her's predicting that by the time you read this the Dragons will have defeated Columbus and Fort Scott and will be preparing to trounce Lawrence tonight. Of course I may be all wrong, and if so I humbly beg your pardon.

Dale Hall, SEK star, repeated as all-state back on the 1941 team. He was the only repeater on the team. I'm not certain where Hall is planning to go to college, but the rumors have it that he is attempting to get to Annapolis or West Point.

Tonight Pittsburg tangles with Lawrence at 7:30 o'clock. Practically nothing is known of Lawrence's team except that they have a reputation for putting a fighting team on the floor. They will be tough, but not too tough for the Dragons.

Santa Claus Picture

From Headlight-Sun

The picture of Santa Claus in red ink and the Merry Christmas type on page one of today's Booster were lent by the Headlight and Sun.

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Pitt Entertains NEK Team For Homecoming

Will Be First Cage Tilt Ever Played Between These Teams

Tonight at 7:30 the PHS Dragons entertain the Lawrence Liberty Memorial High team in their first non-league game of the year.

The Dragons dropped their opener at Chanute last Friday, but came back this week to win over the Columbus Titans Tuesday, and last night they won over the Fort Scott Tigers.

The strength of the Lawrence team is not known as this is the first time that they have played the Dragons. However, it is expected that Pitt will have no easy time winning over NEK leaguers.

The Dragons have gone through two battles this week and may lack some of their usual vitality since their scrap last night was one of vigorous fighting.

Starters for the Purple tonight will probably be J. O. Biggs and Kenny Coulter as forwards, Clair Gillin at center, and Homer Cole, Larry Davis or Bob Schwanzle at guard. All members of the squad will be suited up. Biggs, who preferred to play guard, proved to be much better at the forward post in the Columbus game when he sank five baskets, following on the heels of Coulter.

Tonight's game will climax the PHS homecoming program.

Officials for the game will be Prentice Gudgen of KSTC and C. H. Franklin of Parsons.

George Story To Defend Ping Pong Title Tomorrow

George Story, ping pong champion, will defend his city title tomorrow at the YMCA. Story won the championship last year. Among the other students from PHS to take place in the contest are Jack Neet, Charles Wheeler, and Bob Murray.

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