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Man About High School

By Billy Scott

The annual king and queen contest is now officially on. However, almost all candidates have been working unofficially for some time. The campaigning has really been interesting up to this point, but I can promise you that the race has hardly begun, and before the contest is over there will be plenty of surprises. Although the contest doesn't end until Jan. 30, your reporter will next Friday give you the names of the ones who are going to get the largest number of votes.

Movie of the Week

"United Artists really come forth with a great production in "Sundown". The producer is Walter Wanger and the director, Henry Hathaway.

The story concerns British soldiers in North Africa in their efforts to quell the uprisings of the natives. The picture is packed full of adventure and is bound to give a thrill "a minute."

You won't go wrong if you see Bruce Cabot and George Sanders in "Sundown."

Honors to:

Rosalie Williamson—for her very good work in chemistry.

Virginia Kennedy—an excellent student in sociology.

Sylvan Rae Hyatt—one of the best students in algebra.

Two Former Students Of PHS Killed In Action

Jack Gilliland and Galen Velia, former students of PHS, were the first two from Pittsburg killed in World War 2.

Jack Gilliland, 23, was killed while flying his Spitfire over a bridge. While flying at the full speed of 350 miles an hour he hit the arch of a bridge.

Galen Velia was killed in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Jess Velia, sophomore, is Galen's brother. Jess also has another brother in the navy, Keith Velia, who was in PHS last year.

PHS Students To Form Red Cross Speakers Bureau

Speech students of Mr. Dan Tewell will take part in the Red Cross speakers bureau and will speak at various clubs in the city in the near future. The speakers will begin next week to make the talks which will concern the Red Cross war relief fund and the various ways in which the people may help.

Students who are to participate are Evelyn Roeber, Charles Wheeler, Jimmy Rupard, Deborah Naylor, Christine Cottrell, Bob Green, Jack Toussaint, Charles Spencer, Eugene Montee, Ray Williams, Louis Dubois, and Phyllis Fretwell.

Take Yearbook Picture

Member of Allied Youth had their pictures taken for the Purple & White after which plans were made for a White at their regular meeting Tuesday morning.

Students Showing Greater Interest in Newspapers

"Students are showing greater interest in national affairs much more since war was declared," stated Mr. Doran C. Woods, librarian of PHS when he was interviewed about the newspapers in the library.

When newspapers were placed in the library for the first time last year students did not read the newspapers very much, but this year the news table is always crowded. Mr. Woods further stated, more newspapers or more copies of the papers than they are taking at the present could be used. He also said that at the end of the day the papers were torn, not by misuse but by so many persons reading them.

The library subscribes to Pittsburg Sun, Kansas City Times and Kansas City Star. The Joplin Globe and several county papers are sent to the library free.

P & W Contest Is In Full Swing

SC Sponsors All School Dance Tonight In Gym

More Assemblies In Future Depend On Student Behavior

An all school party will be held tonight after the Independence-Pittsburg game in the Roosevelt gym. The party will begin about 9:30 and last till around 11:30 according to Charles Wheeler, student council president.

There was a special meeting of the council Thursday to complete the plans for the party.

In the meeting Tuesday the representatives were told to stress the point of clean up to their home rooms. The clean up campaign wasn't just for one week but for the whole year, it was emphasized.

According to the constitution of the council, the reelection of representatives must be held by the second week of the new semester.

It was brought up that PHS might have more assemblies if the students would behave better when they do have them.

Defense Stamp Sale Success

More Than \$100 Worth Sold to Senior High

The purchasing of defense stamps was a greater success than was anticipated, when the sale was inaugurated last Monday. The total amount sold from PHS was \$106.70.

The honors of the sale went to Miss Anna Fintel's home room, which had the highest proceeds of \$10.25. Mr. Doran C. Woods' home room ran a close second with \$8.80 as its total.

The RJHS students bought over \$50 worth when the stamps were sold to them on Tuesday. This makes a total of more than \$156.70 for the building.

The stamps are sold in ten and 25 cent denominations. They are being sold each Monday at activity period for the convenience of the students, and they may be purchased at the office during the week.

The sale Monday was twice what had been anticipated.

'Mickey' McGuire Sets Out To Rival Shaw and Goodman

John "Mickey" McGuire, the PHS rival of Artie Shaw and Bennie Goodman, made a guest appearance on the amateur hour at the Colonial theater last Sunday.

Johnnie and his licorice-stick made a hit with the audience and was called back for an encore.

He has been playing the clarinet for about four years. He is a sophomore and takes both band and orchestra, and has taken band all through junior high.

When Johnnie starts his career, he hopes to play in a band or have one of his own.

Former PHS Student Dies

Harry Lance, former student of PHS, dies on his way home from Cleveland Ohio. Harry was seeking employment in Cleveland. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle C. Lonce. He was buried here Wednesday afternoon.

Debaters To SEK Tourney

PHS debaters will journey to Fort Scott next Friday to compete in the final tournament before the SEK at Parsons. Chances for winning at Parsons definitely do not give Pittsburg a positive victory outlook, but neither do the rest of the schools have the title cinched.

From the Journalism Room:

We had quite a discussion in here last Wednesday. It all began when Mr. Frey told us that we should write an article concerning booing at the basketball games and asked our advice concerning the way it should be put to you, the student body.

We wondered if we should call on "school spirit" and "school reputation," those old standbys. And we agreed that it would seem pretty old-fashioned to use such a background for our story. Booing is old-fashioned, true, but we, the students, are not; therefore a different method must be used.

One reason why the "school spirit" basis cannot be used is that when a rooter is angered, he doesn't stop to think about school spirit; he (at least to his mind) knows that his side has been wronged, and since he cannot easily start a fight with the officials, he puts all his strength, contempt, and reproach into the one little word, "Boo!"

The officials are chosen from an impartial group. Sometimes their decisions are believed wrong, but maybe we're just prejudiced. After all, just remember the times we were so glad when the referee decided against our opponent! It is easier to detect fair and foul play from the grandstand than from the floor, so let's give the officials a break—everyone makes mistakes anyway.

Booing by spectators can be counted as a technical foul against the home team. In several extreme instances, this has been done. In many games the free throw points have resulted in the defeat of the home team; we wonder if those booers felt remorseful after such a happening. It must be an awful feeling to know that you lost the game when you weren't even on the team.

Next time there's a game here let's all use that voice used in booing for the "Yea, rumples" and other yells. It's really more effective and makes our boys feel as if they were being backed. If we all cooperate, soon we'll be hearing compliments (and deep down inside, we'll feel better, too.)

The Journalists.

Mary Alice Glover, PHS Graduate, Is Singer For Anson Weeks' Band

Unknown to many dance band enthusiasts, the vocalist now singing with Anson Weeks' is none other than Mary Alice Glover, '41 PHS graduate. Mary Alice, however, sings under the name of Mary Lou. She attained this name in a very unique way. When



Mary Alice Glover She sings with popular dance band.

the band with whom she was singing featured the vocalist, they forgot her name and presented her as Mary Lou. "I liked the name so well," she said, "I decided to keep it."

Mary Alice has been singing with dance bands for three years. Her successful career began by winning two local amateur contests which she soon followed by winning the all-star program.

Sell and Sanden gave Mary Lou her first opportunity of singing with a dance band recently however, she has been entertaining night clubbers as the vocalist for Anson Weeks.

Elfa Fitzgerald represents Mary Alice's idea of a singer who can put anything over.

"The ideal band," told last years Booster reporter, "must be one that can put expression into its playing." The songs which she sings are consistently popular, the type being slow and sentimental.

PHS Principal Named

Principal Finis M. Green has recently been elected local director of professional relations of the Pittsburg city teachers association. He will be expected to cooperate with the public



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The Kansas State Teachers Association initiated this program in the fall of 1941. It is an effort to organize the state, and to acquaint the public with the accomplishments, activities, and educational needs of Kansas.

A zone meeting was held at Neodesha Jan. 14. Mr. Green attended

Finish Bundle Gathering Today

G. R. and Hi-Y Groups Collect Clothes Throughout Pittsburg

The sixth annual bundle day, sponsored by the Girl Reserves and Hi-Y, began Wednesday with the distribution of hand bills to houses over the city.

This activity is for the purpose of supplying the needy students of PHS with clothing. Clothes not suitable for the students are given to various organizations who distribute them to older, needy people.

The city is divided into twelve sections and each G. R. or Hi-Y group is responsible for one section.

Bundle day has been a success ever year since its beginning and many articles of good quality are collected, sponsors said.

Mrs. Ruth Lewis and Mr. Ellsworth Briggs make up the handbill committee. Miss Florence White and Mr. George Frey have charge of the advertising and Miss Jessie Baily and Mr. C. H. Lundquist are co-chairmen. The actual distribution of the clothing is under the supervision of Miss Esther Gable and Mr. Clyde Hartford.

The bundles will be collected after school today.

Five Boys, Four Girls, Compete In Annual Contest

Urge Students to Take Picture Proofs Back To Photographers

Early today no results were available in the Purple & White contest. Because the candidates did not turn in their sales, no results will be given out until the race has progressed further.

The Purple and White king and queen annual selling contest got under way this week with the filing of petitions on Monday. The candidates received their receipt books on Wednesday and the selling was officially on as only official receipt books can be used.

The names of the candidates for king are J. O. Biggs, Bill Horton, John Halfhill, Jimmy Millington, and Bob Timmons.

Vying for the honors of queen will be Phyllis Fretwell, Charlotte Miller, Rosemary Skær, and Colleen Ver-coglia.

Each annual sold will give votes for both a king and a queen. Each \$2 annual will bring for a king and queen each twenty votes, the \$1.50 year-books will poll fifteen votes for each. All holders of \$3.50 activity tickets will get a chance to vote for their favorites sometime before the closing date of the contest, January 30.

The tickets bring five votes for a king and five for a queen. There will be an assembly before the voting in which all candidates and their campaign managers will be introduced.

The yearbook this year will probably be decked out in a padded cover according to authoritative source. Student activities will be the theme of the book and the idea will be carried out on the cover and all through the book.

All students are urged by Mrs. Dora Peterson, sponsor of the annual, to take back their proofs to the studios. An official check will be made Monday to determine the number of students who have had their pictures taken.

No Early Books

Although previous reports stated that the annual would be out sooner Mrs. Peterson said that this was not correct. "The annuals will probably be given to the students about May 23."

Bills have sent for the printing of annual and it will probably be known next week who is to print the year-book.

"All I have to add," asserted Mrs. Peterson, "is that we must have pictures. Many of the students have had their pictures taken, but have not taken the proofs back. They should do this immediately for this is merely hindering the progress of the book."

Date Asking May Become Task While at School

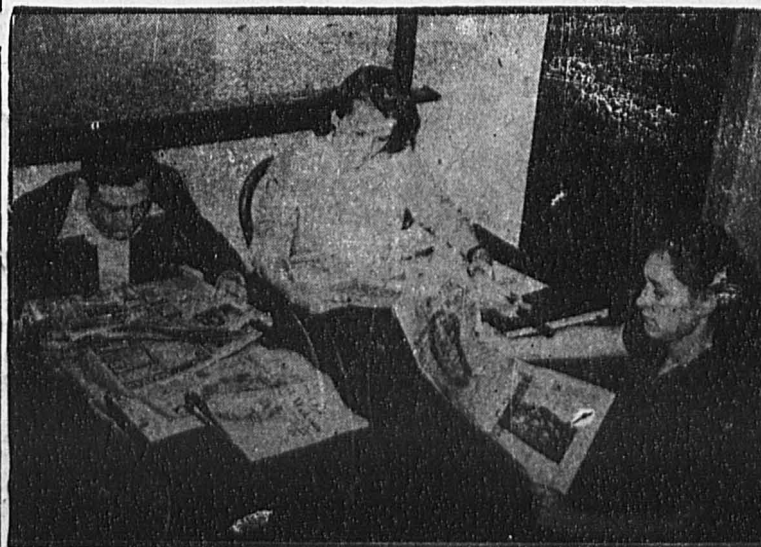
Number please?
2009.

May I ask what you are calling for I'm going to ask my girl for a date.

Sorry! business only!
That is an example of what will be heard and experienced in weeks to come! yes! telephone calls are going to be rationed, so before long one will have to do date asking and other business (questionable) in school or other places. It will also be hard on these so called "all day talkers" who can't find out enough information (gossip, in other words) when in anyone's presence. Your best bet from now on will be to practice doing without the telephone unless for business use so it has been rumored by some.

Editor's Note: This story is entirely unofficial and has not been confirmed by telephone company officials.

Students Keep Informed



(Melvin Hull) Photo

The library now has several daily newspapers in file, for use by students and faculty. Frank Bettega, Doris Fast, and Jean Skibbee, are seen reading some of papers.

We Believe

Keep PHS Leader Among Schools

Pittsburg High School has always been a leader in the improvement of all schools, and now something to disgrace our school has been done. At several recent basketball games a small number of students have booed either the officials or the other team to an extent that it has impaired the reputation of PHS. Of course in reality many other schools follow the policy of booing, but when a leader of schools begins such a practice then it is high time something was done about it.

Now, everyone realizes that the officials of the school can't compel the students to stop booing; that would be too big a job. No, if anything is to be done about this, then it's going to have to be the individual student! Remember that as a student of this school each should do everything in his power to stop these outrages.

Keep PHS a leader of good things by putting a stop to this booing.

Hitler Finds Russia Both Hot and Cold

In July, 1941, the Honorable Mr. Hitler started his six weeks drive on Moscow. Evidently he forgot to equip his tanks and planes with anti-freeze, for it is now the seventh month and his invincible army is advancing backwards.

The great leader of German people is probably very chagrined to find his soldiers retreating. The German youth men have decided to go west for the Russian winter is a trifle cold and the Russian lead is a trifle hot. Hitler, in an address to the German army and the German people said, "In 1942 we will again get hold of the Russian Army." Small wonder the German army is putting its tail between its legs and scurrying for home. When a person has been severely mauled about, he does not like to hear somebody say, "Don't worry about being beat up, I'll give you a chance to wrestle him again."

The bombing of Manila wins the prize for the dirtiest act of war in 1941. The Japanese deliberately waited for Manila to be declared an open city before they bombed it. There were no military objectives to be bombed, there were to Manila only innocent civilians. They have control of the air in the Asiatic regions now, but the American industrial machine is just beginning to click. We, the free people of America, warn the Japanese that in the end the American eagle will reign supreme in the air, and the cities of wood and cloth which comprise Japan will be nothing but ashes.

Just as surely as Germany and their puppet state, Italy, will be destroyed, so will the rising sun set. When it dies the free people of America will lead the rest of the world to a peace which brotherly love and freedom will control undisputed.—D. L.

Forgive and Forget After War Is Over

After the war over, it seems inevitable that a great hate for the enemy will arise; it has been so. There is one way to prevent it or at least minimize the greatness of it. And that is to educate the people, especially the younger generation, who will be caught in the throes of contempt, hate and fear following this war. They must be made to understand one thing: that it is not necessarily the people of the enemy countries who have done the awful deeds. It is the group of people in control.

A dictator has life or death power over every person in his country. The slave must obey the master. He must wage war on his best friend if the master says, "Go", or be subjected to death not which would you and you do? Therefore, when the war is ended, the bruises and wounds should be forgiven and forgotten, for the people of the enemy countries are not the blame.

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"I Disagree on that Subject."



Pittsburg High had its intra-school debate tournament this week. The debaters' discussion centered around the age limit for the draft and a full time military training before attaining the present draft age.

Military Training For Youth?

When Japan made her surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, the people of the United States fully realized that the World War slogan, "the war to end all wars" had lost its meaning. The axis discovered that just because we were a democratic nation was no sign that we could stay out of war. Although in this conflict the United States was a little better prepared than in past wars, the fact remains that many times when we could have ended a war sooner than if we had waited longer we did not have number of trained reserves on hand to cope with any emergency.

To protect these interests of democracy in the future, why not have a permanent system of compulsory military training for the youth of the nation? Thus we would have a reserve of man power to meet any eventuality. The cost of such a plan would be very much justified as it takes twice as much money to train a man after a war has begun than it does to train him before.

Such a system of training would not only better the United States but also it would improve the physical standing of the whole nation. It has been said that such a program would lead to militarism, but it must be remembered that the reason for military training in this country could not be compared with Germany's reason. In America men are trained with the thought foremost in mind of defending democracy, in Germany men are trained with the idea of conquering the world.

Why not take a lesson from past experiences and prepare for the "storm before it comes."—B. S.

Note: Next week an article against this program will be written and published by the same author.

Missed It Slightly

In the Twentieth Century war will be dead, the scaffold will be dead, hatred will be dead, frontier boundaries will be dead, dogmas will be dead; man will live. He will possess something higher than all these—a great country, the whole earth, a great hope, and the whole heaven.—Victor Hugo.

From The Library Shelves

By Rosemary Skaer

My Friend Flicka

Condensed from "Story" in the Reader's Digest for January

Mary O'Hara

This is a story of a boy who couldn't get good marks in school and of a yearling colt who couldn't be gentled. Flicka is the colt and becomes the property of the ranch boy, Kenzie McLaughlin. Flicka doesn't like the stables and the fenced-in-land, and tries to escape. The colt gets caught in the barbed-wire fence and is badly wounded. The wounds become infected and a high fever sets in. The horse disappears from the stables and Kenzie goes to look for him. Kenzie discovers his beloved horse, Flicka, lying in a stream. Finding the colt still alive, and the cooling stream cleansing the wounds and driving out the fever, Kenzie remains and comforts her until help comes. Flicka and Kenzie become friends which brings the story to an end.

This poem, written by Laura Belle Rush, sophomore in PHS, won an honor certificate in the national high school poetry contest, and at the end of this year the poem is to be published in an high school anthology.

SWEET LAND OF LIBERTY

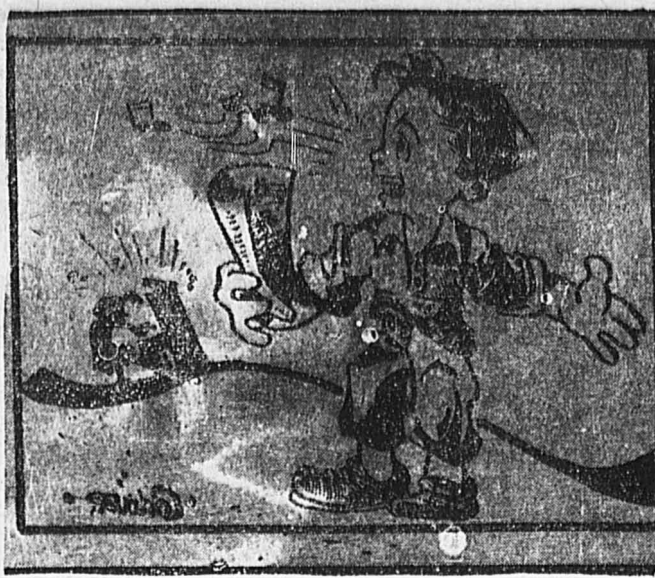
The Pilgrims, stepping on a foreign shore Gazed on a land they had dreamed of before A land 'tis true of hardships and strife But after all that's the pattern of life. A nation based on equality of man For that was the new nation's boldest plan. First the nation went through a terrible war Which united the people as never before But because the people remained as one They fought with all they had and won. Then a flag was needed and from it grew Our own "Old Glory," the red, the white, and the blue.

And thus our country grew by men who made it great

While "Liberty for All" will guard our nation's fate.

Laura Belle Rush.

Do - Mi - So



Try outs were held this week for this year's opera, "The Mocking Bird," by A. Baldwin Sloane. Already much interest in the musical production which Mr. Gerald M. Carney will direct.

Bits by Betty

Strolling through the halls of PHS this week, we happened to come upon a "Southern Gal" straight from Alabama. This blonde beauty is Maye Teale and the honor of her classification goes to the sophomore class. . . . What's this we hear about the mixup in the state and federal prisons? Janet Malcolm, delirious, delovely, decedent lightful, lolirious, delovely, lodescent of dutiful duds wanted to know where the Kansas state prison is and the journalism instructor replied, "Lonsing, to which this bright senior queried, "Lansing what?" . . . What new girl is it in Miss Stephens' first hour class that James Deems was so trying to interfere? . . . A good novel ty to bring into PHS would be a date bureau for bashful boys we read about a success of one in another high school. Evelyn Roebor's "Stagline styles" is such a good column that it is being used in an Arkansas school paper regularly (maybe we do have some talent) . . . Movie of the week? No! Song of the week? No! It's none other than "The girl of the week," Patsy Hutto whose outstanding voice is an inspiration to all. Keep up your good musical work. Patsy, we expect a great deal from you. . . . Once a bif molice pan met a brittle lum, sitting on a sturb cone chewing gubber rum, "Hi," said the molice pan, "won't you simme gum?" "Tixxy on your nin type," said the brittle lum. . . Since it is sold we'll wumble to the tether and dirt the shore again. . . Good evening.

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

The woman autoist posed for a snap shot in front of the fallen pillars of an ancient temple in Greece.

"Don't get the car in the picture" she warned, "or my husband will think I run into the place."

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Dearie, I'm sure I heard a mouse squeak.

Well, do you want me to get up and oil it?

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"When you quarreled today, you let your husband have the last word. That was very unusual."

"I know it. But I want to give him a little pleasure. It's his birthday."

"Say, pa."

"Well, my son?"

"I took a walk through the cemetery today and read the inscriptions on the tombstones."

"Well, what about it?"

"Where are all the wicked people buried?"

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"Have a quick one?" asked Jones.

"Don't drink," replied Smith.

"Have a fag, then."

"No thanks I don't smoke."

"Ever have any headaches?" asked Jones.

"Yes, pretty often these days," answered Smith.

"Just as I thought. Your halo's too tight."

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Mrs. Smith rushed into her living room.

"Oh, John!" she cried, as she panted for breath, "I dropped my diamond ring off my finger and I can't find it anywhere."

"It's all right, dear," said John. "I came across it in my trouser pocket."

"Every time I kiss you, it makes me a better man."

"Well, you don't have to get to heaven in one night."

Debate on Cap and Gown Situation

Pro

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To Members Of Senior Class:

We hope we don't bore you too much when we start on the subject of caps and gowns for seniors.

It should be one of the current subjects for debate, but since it isn't we'll just state facts.

Maybe caps and gowns aren't as complimentary as formals; we'll grant you that, but during this economic crisis we should all look at it from the financial viewpoint.

Graduation is something we all look forward to as one of the main events of our school life. If one has money saved or is financially able, why not invest the money in a defense bond? In that way we can help our relatives and friends who are doing their patriotic duty to win this war so that we might live in a country of peace and freedom.

Are clothes going to help win this war? NO! Of course they won't. Then do this, consider having caps and gowns. They cost just a couple of dollars for a rental fee while formals and other fancy costumes cost a great deal more.

Put your extra money saving in defense stamps and binds.

As a patriotic gesture on our part we should do this.

This is a problem for us seniors along to decide. Let's look at it from the sensible stand point and not from a selfish one. After all, and we think we are speaking for all of us, we want to do our part to defend America too. B. J. B. and D. W.

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BORROWED BUNK

by Mimi Nettels

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Diner: "Hey, waiter, there's a button in my stew!"

Waiter: "Must be a typographical error, sir. Says 'mutton' on the menu." The Orange Pearl

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Poem:

How fat she is,
She used to wasn't,
The reason is,
She dally doesn't.

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Miss Roach — What kind of pie is that? Peach or apple?

Home Ec. Student — What does it taste like?

Miss Roach — Glue.

Student — Then it's apple. The peach tastes like putty.

Clipped

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Professor: "What are you doing with your feet on your desk?"

Student: "I lost my eraser so I'm using my rubber heel instead."

— West Seattle Chinook

Seattle, Wash.

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Burke: Oo, it's snowing outside. Call me a taxi.

Marquis: O.K. you're a taxi; so what?

Gallatin High News

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Englishman: Waita

Waiter: Yes, sub.

Englishman: What's this you just served?

Waiter: It's bean soup.

Englishman: I don't care what it's been, What is it now?

Beaumont Digest

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Starkle, starkle, little twink,

What the heck you are you think?

Up above the high so sky,

Like a flashlight—huh?

Contributed by Marilyn Sweeney



PHS Students Urged To Give To Red Cross Funds

51 Million Dollars For War Relief Is Red Cross Goal

The American Red Cross War Funds Campaign is now in progress to raise \$51,000,000 for war relief. Teachers and students of PHS and the Roosevelt Junior High School are asked to contribute towards Crawford county's quota of \$9,000.

The war fund is distributed among several essential divisions.

The divisions for services to the armed forces receives \$25,000,000 of the war fund. This division includes work for the men in the hospitals and during convalescence, essential medical supplies, enrollment of donors in procuring blood plasma for the army and navy, sweaters and other articles for the service men, and other services and activities within the scope of the Red Cross program which may be essential for the care, welfare, and morale of the troops.

The sum of \$10,000,000 will go for disaster and civilian emergency relief. It is the duty of this division to meet the emergency needs for food, shelter clothing, and medical attention of the victims of disasters, and to assist stricken families by aiding them with the repairs or building of homes, furniture, occupational aid, and other essential items.

For civilian defense services will go \$5,000,000. This includes training in home nursing, conduct of nursing programs, enrollment of nurses for emergency duty, including army and navy service, training in first aid and accident prevention, and to conduct the Junior Red Cross for children. The services of the Red Cross have been recognized as having a vital place in the national plans for civilian defense and they must now be expanded for this emergency.

A total of \$4,000,000 will be used for service and assistance to the 3,710 chapters of the Red Cross. These chapters are responsible for the conduct of the local aspects of all of the Red Cross services and activities described above, and for raising the funds in every county throughout the nation.

The remaining \$7,000,000 will be used for all other activities and services including provision for expansion not foreseen above and for new activities which unexpected developments may make necessary.

Students and teachers of PHS and RJHS are urged to contribute to the American Red Cross war funds.

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Former King and Queen Now Man and Wife

Another PHS romance has culminated in marriage. This one is unique in that the parties concerned were chosen P & W king and queen together.

Rosalie Wagner and Edwin Ryan were chosen king and queen in '38. They were steadies then. Last June they were married, but the marriage was not announced until the recent Christmas vacation.

— Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps —

Four Boys Guests At Mr. Hartford's Cabin

Mr. Clyde Hartford took four Hi-Y boys to his cabin (Minaki) near Noel, Mo. Dec. 29 and 30. Those who went were Dave Diller, Mason Atkins, Jack Toussaint, and Jim Langdon. Two others who were unable to go were Jack Clark, and Eldon Watson.

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PATRONIZE

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"It's De Neve's for Shoes"

Henry De Neve
SHOE STORE
PITTSBURG, KANSAS
"The Home Of Poll Parrot Shoe Money"

New & used furniture, stoves, rugs, refrigerators at prices that are sure to please.
Pittsburg Auction House
209 N. Broadway Phone 930
3rd. door So. of Cozy Theatre

HARRY'S CAFE
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412 N. Broadway - Phone 2611

Feeding The Presses



Printing students, above are at work printing handbills. They are Jack Matthews, Bob Greenwood, Mr. White, Jack Hendricks, and George Story.

Maurice Mosier Likes History, Journalism and Sport-writing

To become a newspaper man is one of the many ambitions of Maurice Mosier, editor-emeritus of The Booster.

Maurice is also the president of a Hi-Y group and the Forum club, and senior treasurer.

Maurice said he had been thinking of writing a book. "I have three good titles picked out already, so now all I have to do is write the book," he added.

The favorite sports of this ex-Roosevelt student are swimming and basketball, however football also rates in his sports category.

He was in the junior play last year, and expects to be active in intramural sports this year. Maurice says he can carry a tune or at least he's in the glee club. History is his favorite subject.

Speaking of his future this student started he expects to go to college, but this is as far as he could go.

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Office Purchases New "Timer" To Time Tests

The principal's office at PHS has purchased another Kodak "timer" to time standardized tests. The office had one timer but there was such a demand for it another one was purchased.

Mr. Dan Towell has used the timer quite frequently for timing debate speeches. Mr. Willard Thorpe and Mr. C. H. Lundquist have also used it for timing typewriting tests in their classes.

The timer is about the size of a standard clock and is bright red in color.

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Planning Council Goes Over English Curriculum

The planning council of Pittsburg city schools, composed of Mr. P. O. Briggs, Miss Pauline Staats, Mr. Finis Green and Superintendent H. D. McEachen met in the superintendent's office Monday morning.

They discussed the development of an experienced curriculum in English and certain procedures toward improved instructions in language arts in the city schools. They also discussed the part the city schools might assume in the present national emergency.

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Physics Students Run Up Stairs To Test Their H. P.

A test to designate the horsepower developed when running upstairs was made by the members of Mr. Earl Ludlum's physics classes.

The highest scores was made by Joe Gray, Dale Bush and James Millington, each making one horsepower.

Several others made between three-fourths and one horsepower. The normal horsepower is one-seventh.

Mr. Ludlum stated that a test of PHS students between classes and at the noon hour would be very interesting.

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Scientists See Slides On New Development

Mr. W. L. Brown, chief engineer at KOAM, was unable to be at the meeting of the Junior Academy of Science Wednesday at activity period as was previously announced. Max Owensby had charge of the program which included slides showing many new phases of science.

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Faculty and Friends Attend Housewarming

New Year Day, Mrs. Dora Peterson had a housewarming in her new home near Weir, which was built to replace the one destroyed by fire last year.

Some of the PHS faculty and friends attended.

Games were played and refreshments were served to the guests.

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Thirty-One New Books In Library

Best Seller and "South Of Joplin" Among New Volumes

Thirty-one new books have been added to the shelves in the library of PHS.

Among them is "South of Joplin", which tells of the life in the zinc and chat mining region near Joplin. "Berlin Diary", a best seller, is also among the new books. It was written by a foreign correspondent. William L. Shirer, who has been stationed in Germany for about seven years. There are several books written about England, namely, "Why England Slept," Anne of England, "Bombs in Air" and several others.

The list of new books include:

Start Today—Crampton
The Foundations of English—Myers
Berlin Diary—Shirer
Why England Slept—Kennedy
Benedict Arnold—Sullivan
The World Over: 1913—Smyth
Anne of England—Hopkinson
Bombs Bursting in Air—Elliott
Westward from Rio—Bowman
Thames Portrait—Robertson
Horizons—Geddes
Good Neighbors—Herring
"Mr. Secretary"—Williams
Secrets of the White Lady—Landau
South of Joplin—Dovjison
Advertising and its Mechanical Production—Greer
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Andrew Jackson—Johnson
Wild Men of the Wild West—Sabin
Winfield Scott—Elliott
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Essay Annual for 1938, 1939, 1940—Walter

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East of the Great Glacier—Ingstad
Caesars in Goose Step—Bayles
America in Arms—Palmer
The Theatre Handbook—Sobel

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Nature Pictures Appear In Biology Room

Posters and pictures on nature subjects are being displayed on the walls and bulletin boards in Mr. Claude Huffman's biology room.

On the bulletin boards the aim is to have the display coordinate with what the students are studying in their biology books.

Two girls have this as their projects for the year. They are Katherine Blair and Mattie Shaw.

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In the above picture, are seen five printers at work setting type for Booster. They are: linotype operators, George Wickware, Bill Burman, John White, instructor; Bert Grant and Bob Baert. This is American Printing Week.

Late 'Chco-Choo' Causes Long Wait In Small Depot

The "Chattanooga Choo-Choo" being late 90 minute caused Miss Elizabeth Chesnutt, librarian of PHS, to spend approximate by twelve hours in a small country depot last week as she return from her home to Pittsburg.

Miss Chesnutt left her home town, Farners, Tenn. to catch the "Chattanooga Choo-Choo", which was late. The train went from Farners to Memphis, Tenn.

She missed her train for Kansas City at Memphis. She was compelled to go through Howe, Okla., and then to Pittsburg.

She arrived at Howe at 2:30 Sunday morning, and found that she had to wait for the train to Pittsburg. It was a very small depot. No water to drink, no lunchroom, and the electric light bulb was so dim she could not read until daylight.

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Physics Classes Study Printing

Mr. Earl Ludlum's physics classes made a visit to the printing department to study the functions of the Linotype machine and other divisions of the printing department.

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Clerk - "Will you take it with you?"
Mr. Ison - "No, I'll send the rats over for it."

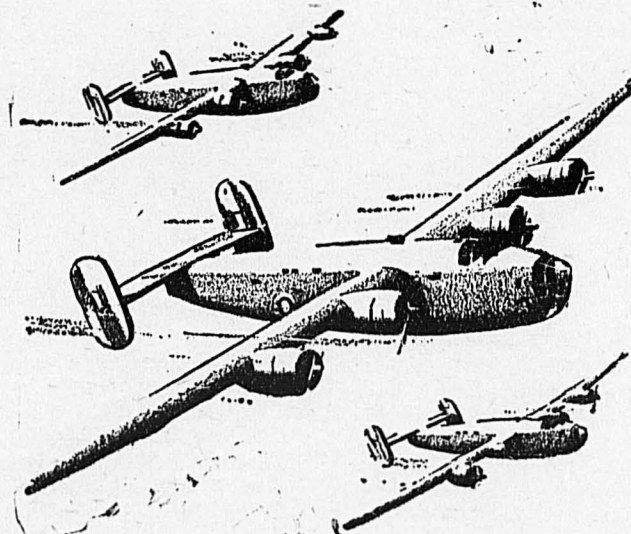
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Dragons Take On Bulldogs Tonight At 8:00 In Gym

Pitt Favored Over Cellared Independence

Purple Is Anxious To Cop Another League Victory

The PHS Dragons will entertain the Independence Bulldogs on RJHS court tonight at 8:00. The Dragons are expected to win over the Bulldogs who at present are in possession of cellar position.

Tuesday night the Bulldogs lost to Parsons, 30 to 18. Since Pitt came so close to beating the Vikings, it gives the Dragons the nod as the favorite. It will be the Dragons' sixth league battle. Having lost two games out of five the Purple is anxious to leave the court victorious.

The Bulldogs have no "chief threat" though Edison Shive, tall center, is perhaps more dangerous than Van Dolah or Harry, forwards. Shive is the leagues tallest player but he lacks the basket eye and ball handling ability of Pitt's center, Clair Gillin.

Probable starters for Pitt are Coulter, Biggs, Gillin, Gray and Horton. Biggs proved himself very adept at Iola last Friday.

There has been no preliminary game scheduled for the sophomores since they played College HI Wednesday.

Many PHS Students In National Defence Now

The Albers brothers have some sort of a record for the number of brother on one ship. Bill Albers, senior in PHS, has three brothers, Harold Milo, and David, who were stationed aboard the heavy cruiser, U.S.S. Houston, in Mallia Bay.

There are other PHS students and graduates in the navy. They are Frank and Clifford Barr, Jack Wintle, James Masterson, Bill Ford, Lawrence Endicott, Weslie Stuess, Jack Pauline, Jack Rethorst, Clifford Storer, Walter Peterson, Donald Schwab, William Murphy, Finley Porter, Louis Bosino, and Edwin Chancellor.

From this year's class there are several who enlisted or are going to enlist. They are Roland "Dub" Hobson, Donald Fox, Sammy Bagwell, Bill Burman, and Bob Sybert.

Mr. McEachen Tells of Part Educators Play in Defense

Educators may help to win the war by encouraging students and adults to think and discuss freely problems involving the welfare of man. Superintendent Howard D. McEachen told faculty members and wives of Pittsburg high and Theodore Roosevelt junior high school at the Hotel Besse Monday night.

Mr. McEachen speaking at the second of a series of faculty club meetings, told the group American occupies a favored position largely because every child has had the right to pursue whatever kind of education he selected.

"We did not gain our democratic privileges by sudden decree," Mr. McEachen asserted. "They came by sacrifice. It is our duty to teach democracy and to teach it with such vigor that there can be no doubt about the perpetuation of our privileges."

Mr. Earl Ludlum, president of the Roosevelt teachers club, presided. Miss Barbara Theis led group singing, accompanied by Miss Helen Messenger. Mr. Finis M. Green introduced Mr. McEachen.

To Have Dinner

The sixth hour food class, under the direction of Mrs. Fritz Snodgrass, is planning and serving formal dinners. Before the semester's work of breakfasts, luncheons, and dinners. Before the semester is over they will serve a formal dinner to the Board of Education and their wives. The date for this has been set for Jan. 20.

Girl Reserves Meet In Respective Groups

The Girl Reserves met in their respective groups Wednesday morning. The program was entitled "What Would a Christian Community Be Like." This program was led by the various program chairmen in their separate groups.



S. E. K. Standings			
	Win	Lose	Percentage
Parsons	5	0	1.000
Pittsburg	3	2	.600
Columbus	3	2	.600
Chanute	2	2	.500
Iola	2	2	.500
Fort Scott	1	3	.250
Coffeyville	1	3	.250
Independence	1	4	.200

The Dope's Bucket

By Maurice Mosier

Who would have thought that Dale Hall would do a thing like that! Only make 23 points instead of 25.

As a result of "Phog" Allen's accusations and the Bruce Drake and "Jap" Haskell denials, Gerald Tucker will play with the Sooners next semester.

A glimpse into Lawrence gives one a laugh about the affair. Allen was making a speech accusing Drake of this and when in walked Drake. Exchanging glares, both peeled off their coats and rolled up their shirt sleeves. What happened? Drake made a speech.

Dragon of the Week:

Tall Clair Gillin holds the spotlight among the PHS basketballers this week. Though Pitt lost the decision to Parsons in the recent game, Clair came through nicely. He is without doubt the best ball handler on the Dragon squad. Gillin seldom gets nervous but plays smooth ball right on through the tight spots.

Dribbling: When Pitt meets the Bulldogs tonight, the tallest man in the league, Edison Shive, will attempt to outplay Clair Gillin, but here's one person who doesn't think he can do it. . . . Glad to hear that J. O. Biggs finally found his eye. Congrats to him on the way he played at Iola. . . . Mr. George Duerksen asks if perhaps we shouldn't change our name from Dragons, because it suggested a Japanese origin. Of course, he was only kidding. . . . The soph squad was also supposed to make the trip to Iola, but it being. . . . The soph squad was also supposed to make the trip to Iola, but it being. . . . The soph squad was also supposed to make the trip to Iola, but it being. . . .

Be at the game tonight and yell for the Dragons, and watch them win another game. Mose

Laura Belle Rush To Have Poem Published Soon

Laura Belle Rush, sophomore in PHS, won an honor certificate in the national high school poetry contest this week.

This contest was sponsored by the national high school poetry association of Los Angeles. This association was started in 1937. Their purpose is to bring the work of students before the public and to encourage students to write poetry. At the end of the year all of the poems receiving certificates will be published in an anthology.

Laura Belle's poem is entitled "Sweet Land of Liberty". It is published in the Booster this week on page two.

Study Picture Enlarger

During the Photography club meeting Tuesday, members were given instructions on how the new picture enlarger is operated and how to make the types of paper to be used.

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Faculty To Play In Charity Tilt

Teachers From Baxter Springs Will Be Guests At Annual Affair

The annual charity basketball game between the Pittsburg faculty and the Baxter Springs faculty will be held January 28 at 7:30 o'clock in the Roosevelt junior high gymnasium. The proceeds are to be divided equally between war relief and the infantile paralysis fund.

Last year Pittsburg defeated Baxter Springs at Baxter Springs but was defeated in a closely fought battle here the two teams who are always evenly matched and a hotly contested game is expected. The Pittsburg team is composed entirely of faculty members from either the high school or the two junior highs, however the Baxter team has a few players outside of the faculty, although most of the team does come from the faculty.

In the past the starting team for Pitt has been composed of Arkie Hoffman, Carl Ison, Ralph Russell, Fritz Snodgrass, and Alvin Geler. The starting team for the visitors has not been disclosed but it's certain that it will be one which will be difficult to defeat.

The faculty will travel to Baxter Springs January 22 for a return game. The preliminary game will be the traditional clash between Roosevelt Junior High and Lakeside Junior High.

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Galen Velia Is First To Die In Present War

Galen Velia, former student of PHS was killed in action in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Galen is the first former student of PHS to be killed in World War II. Keith Velia, Galen's brother, is also in the navy.

Dr. Leist Speaks To Academy of Science

The junior academy of science went to the college Tuesday night to Dr. Leist's office. He gave a brief discussion on water animals and he also told about bones of different animals. He then showed the members animal slides.

Purple & White pictures of the Kansas Club were taken Tuesday during the regular weekly meeting. Devotions were led by Mary Belle Burger after which plans were made for a line party. It is scheduled to be next Tuesday evening. Members may invite a guest.

Soph. Teams Schedule Similar To Dragons'

The sophomore basketball team has the very same schedule as the high school team with the exception of one or two games. That is, they play the sophomore or second team of the opposing teams.

So far this year the sophomores have played three games and have won two of them. They have defeated Columbus and Fort Scott but were defeated Jan. 2 by Parsons.

The next game for the sophomores will be with Iola at Iola tonight.

Those boys on the squad are Johnny Glaser, Merle Scofield, Bob Schwanze, Louise Hane, Bob Osborn, Paul Martin, Bill Hart, Milton Fadler, Bob Sutterfield, Francis Greger, Harold Williams, Floyd Kennet, Charles Tustin, and Earl Matson.

Juniors and Seniors Begin Intramural Basketball

The intramurals were started last Tuesday under the direction of Mr. Fritz Snodgrass.

The junior and senior basketball teams have already played one game each. The junior teams play on Tuesday and the senior teams on Thursday. All games will be played in the old gym.

The tumbling and bar work will be held on Monday and Friday nights and the swimming pool will be opened on Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays.

The intramurals may be limited to just the juniors and the seniors as time cannot be found for the sophomores to play.

The senior captains are James Carey, Bob Timmons, Francis Postel, Tommy Blacett, John Halfhill, and the faculty team. The junior captains are Delmar Cezar, John Prince, Dale Foote, James Bertone, Jack Hejlscock, and Leroy Kerns. The sophomore captains are Ray Embree, Conley Kelley, Joe Urban, George Story, Jack Hendricks, James Deems, Bob Freeto, and Jack Brumbaugh.

The basketball schedule for the following week is as follows:

Juniors:	Time
Tuesday, Jan. 20:	
Hedgecock vs Bertone,	3:30;
Prince vs Kern,	4:15;
Foote vs Cezar,	5:00.
Seniors:	Time
Thursday, Jan. 22:	
Carey vs Postel,	3:30;
Faculty vs Halfhill,	4:15;
Blacett vs Timmons,	5:00.
Intramural Results	
Junior Division	
Foote 17, Prince 15	
Feely 9, Hedgecock 20	
Bertone 12, Kerns 28	

FORMER DRAGON GUARD



Headlight-PICTURES-Sun Yes, this is Coach Hoffman as he looked when he was guard for the Dragons. That was in '22. "Arkie" placed on the all-star team, too.

BOWLING

Bowling schedule for Jan. 17

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

Mr. Carney Leads Students In Songs At Assembly

At assembly last Friday morning Mr. Gerald M. Carney led the student body in singing several patriotic songs the most popular being "Any Bonds Today?" The PHS pep band played for the singing.

Bob Green spoke about the American Red Cross and then introduced Deborah Naylor, who gave a reading and Betty Jean Maggino if RJHS, who played two selections on the accordion.

Rockets Lose To Parsons

The Rocket, PHS colored team, dropped a game to the Parsons squad, 21 to 15. Johnnie Phillips was again high for the Rockets with a total of 9 points.

The Rocket squad is composed of Johnnie Phillips, Gerald Hutton, Billy Pierce, Lee Allen, Robert Bass, Roscoe Bass, Hosea Caw, James Mason, James Galloway, Elliott Kiff, Bob Earle, William Benefield, and Ray Williams.

The PHS Rockets edged out over the Independence colored squad by a score of 23 to 22 in a cap title Wednesday. The game was on the RJHS court. Johnnie Phillips paced the Rockets and was high man for the game.

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Dragons' Add Another Victory

Biggs Gives Spark To Dragons in First Half; Coulter Leads Scoring

The Dragons won another S.E.K. League game last Friday night by defeating the Iola Mustangs, 41 to 24. Pittsburg took an early lead and held it the entire game, although the first half was fairly close. The half ended with the score 20 to 14 in favor of Pittsburg.

J. O. Biggs sparked the Dragons in the first half and Kenny Coulter found his eye in the last half. Coulter made several long one-handed shots in the last half. Coulter lead the scoring with 18 points.

Iola had two or three boys that are tall or even a little taller than Clair Gillin.

The game was very rough with 31 fouls called and three of Iola's team were ejected from the game while one of Pittsburg's was.

The sophomores were scheduled to play in a preliminary game but the bus broke down four miles north of Arma and they unable to make the trip.

	Iola	Pittsburg
	fg ft f	fg ft f
Frazell, f	1 0 2	Coulter, f 5 8
Ashford, f	1 0 0	Crews, f 0 0
Roehl, f	0 0 0	Biggs, f 4 4
Williams, f	1 1 4	Schwanzel, f 0 0
Russell, c	0 0 0	D. Gray, f 0 0
Mitchem, c	0 0 0	Abalos, f 0 0
Dickinson, g	1 0 0	Gillin, c 3 1
Merrill, g	0 0 0	Davis, g 0 2
Seifers, g	1 2 0	Cole, g 0 0
Anderson, g	1 1 2	J. Gray, g 1 0
Brock, g	1 0 0	13 15
Parker, g	0 0 0	8 8

Roebert, Cottrell Enter Wyandotte Tournery Finals

Evelyn Roebert and Christine Cottrell won 5 out of 6 of their debates in the Wyandotte debate tournery in Kansas City last Friday and Saturday. This automatically placed them in the finals, but due to the failure of the other half of their four man team to survive, they were disqualified.

The second half of the team debating the negative side won only 3 out of 6 of their debates.

The rule as set down in the contest was that both sides of the four man team must have an average of 5 out of 6 wins.

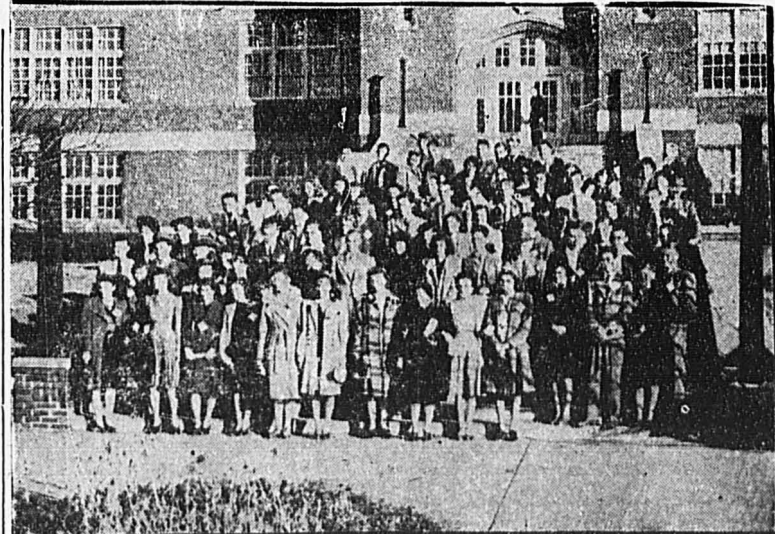
The winners of the contest have not been determined yet, although the results were sought.

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