

# What D'Ya Know?

By Louise Claire DuBois.

Well, here we go again; another What D'Ya Know, back after a weeks vacation.

MR. CARNEY especially deserves honors this week for the concert which he directed last Thursday night. The wide variety of orchestral and choral selections in addition to the actual performing of these numbers made the evenings concert very enjoyable and entertaining. Thus, high honors go to MR. CARNEY for presenting such a fine program.

**PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK**—The active Senior chosen this week is FLORENCE LAUGHLIN. This attractive girl is known about PHS for her pleasing smile as well as her attractive personality. Quiet and reserved, Florence is very outstanding in Journalism and her initiative and responsibility were quickly appreciated. She serves as president of her Girl Reserve group, and as exchange editor of the Booster.

With all the Christmas rush and last minute shopping and mailing, it seems the newspapers would be forgotten entirely, especially by those away from home. But not the Booster. Yes, in addition to the letters which have been received lately, the Booster even rated a Christmas card. This card was a special one in that it came from a former PHS'er and had a little complimentary note written on the reverse side. The sender of this card was Melvin Hull, former Booster photographer now serving in the Army. He remarked that within a short while, he will become a private first class. We do appreciate your remembering us, Melvin, and wish to express our thanks for the card and the note.

## HONORS TO:

**DOTTIE LOU THOMAS**—for her splendid job of accompanying the Glee Club, not only in the recent concert, but also in everyday class.

"Twelve" Ratt, Junior in P.H.S., contributed one for this column that really should go to Ripley's Believe It or Not. Recently three new additions arrived at the Ratt home in the form of French poodles. One of the pups was rather deformed, in that it had five legs. That should be enough for one dog, but not this one; it was also minus the larger portion of its tail. Yes, Twelve thinks he has a real freak of nature with this poodle that has an extra leg and only a stump of a tail.



This, chilluns, is the modern Santa.

Today, December, 1943, marks the beginning of a feud between this so-called columnist and Ye Sports Ed. The battle will be over the following question: Resolved: "That the first page is inferior the fourth page in all respects." Of course, Yours Truly will debate affirmative with the opposition carrying negative. This excludes data in the form of features, current events, comments, and actual news. The termination of this battle is not definite, but a reply from the Lockerroom Chatterer is eagerly awaited.

## HONORS TO:

**BONNIE HOLDEN**—for her excellent work in government.  
**EDSEL COLEY**—a "natural" in Economics.

Well, Little Dears, this time it will be two whole weeks before you will see the efforts of this columnist again published under the title of What D'Ya Know. Don't worry, though, we'll be back then with more happenings around PHS, (we hope). But for the present... a Merry Christmas to all, and to all, 'Goodbye, now!'

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Tuesday, January 4th has been designated as "Scrap Day" for the Crawford County schools in an effort to raise paper, rags, and metal.

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## WELCOME OLD GRADS

### Scholastic To Award Prizes

Music, Literature, Art May Be Entered

Projects in Art, Literature and Music are being sponsored by the Scholastic Magazine, for the purpose of encouraging and rewarding the creative abilities of high school students. For many years a national exhibition of the work of high school artists has been held as a climax to one phase of this project, in the Fine Arts Galleries of the Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh.

Any high school student with artistic ability and interested enough in his work is qualified to enter the contest. All art entries will be assembled by the high school art teachers and sent to the All-American Hinkle Co., in Wichita during the week of Feb. 7, 1944. If the pieces pass the first competition, they will be sent on to more judges. High school students such as fashion designs, posters, and a new cartooning section will be especially appealing to students who enjoy this type of work.

In addition to many awards of money and war bonds and stamps, art scholarships are also awarded. To qualify for these scholarships, the contestants must submit portfolios of their work which contains full-time work in art school, and enough paintings, and drawings, to demonstrate their ability in art; also they must be seniors who will be able to accept full-time in art school. Fifty scholarships are being awarded from a number of art schools throughout the country.

The Literary Awards of Scholastic offer to high school writers, in addition to generous prizes, that best reward of all, a chance to see their work in print. Opportunities are also given for all sorts of writing, such as short stories, essays, poetry, radio plays, literary articles, book reviews, autobiographical sketches, and humor as well as historical articles and current events.

Seniors are eligible to compete for the Quill and Scroll President's Scholarships of two years tuition amounting to \$500. All entries to the Literary Division should be sent directly to the Scholastic Magazine before March 15, 1944. Students may enter as many divisions as they wish in any or all classifications.

The Music Awards have been in existence for six years and has already discovered many talented composers among high school students to enter this contest. These entries, also must be sent to Scholastic on or before March 15, 1944.

Some of the winners in the music division will be given an opportunity to perform their prize-winning compositions before one of the Conference committee meetings in 1944, as well as receiving prizes.

Did you take a minute to help that new student find his room?

Keep up your work then you won't have to catch up.

### 'Board Members Are People'

— Raymond Letton



The subject assigned is not debatable. The members of the Board of Education appreciate the opportunity of serving the public, understand the responsibility attached to the office, use their best judgment and give freely of their time and energy in sincere attempt to properly discharge their public trust. For this they ask and receive no compensation other than the satisfaction of having performed a service to their community.

The Board of Education is always open to suggestion from the administrative staff, teachers, employees, students and patrons, if directed through proper channels. We are not in any sense beyond criticism, if constructive and warranted, is not only proper but helpful.

Our aim is to furnish Pittsburg students with a good education without imposing any unnecessary burden on the parents and taxpayers of Pittsburg. Success in this purpose will be our ample reward.

### Christmas Greetings Students and Graduates

You are in my thinking today because it is the Christmas season. I wish you joy and success. Perhaps it will be impossible for me to tell you about it from day to day, because you may be miles away or we may be too involved in the activities of life. However, it will make no difference,— my thoughts and my best wishes will be with you. Whatever of happiness or success comes to you, I shall be glad.

Throughout the holiday season and the new year, the teachers of your high school join me in sincerely wishing you the Spirit of Christmas.

Cordially yours,  
FINIS M. GREEN

### Howdy Stranger

Introducing Eleanor Vanbever, a clever little sophomore, from Walnut, Kans.

#### Description:

Blond, blue eyes (raises one eye brow when talking), she is a good sport and a regular Missourian can spit through her teeth.

#### Qualities:

She calmly stated, "My I.Q. is very low, and I have absolutely no good qualities what so ever." That is what she sez though, not what we think!!!

#### Favorite Saying

"I'm scared spittless."

#### Hobby:

She likes to collect wine glasses and fill 'em too.

#### Age

Sweet sixteen and never been missed. And to top it all off she has that South American Carmen Miranda strut. (She taps too fellows!!! Also can turn flips in the gym.

### DEADLINE CHATTER—

Senior high school students are requested to observe the following after-school schedule in reporting for make-up work:  
**MONDAY**—Social Sciences  
**TUESDAY**—English  
**WEDNESDAY**—Mathematics  
**THURSDAY**—Sciences  
**FRIDAY**—The Practical Arts

Second semester ends three weeks after vacation.

Band Concert will be given some time in January.

Don't forget the Miami-Pittsburg basketball game tonight.

Junior play has been chosen. Story to be written after vacation.

Vacation begins Dec. 23, and ends Monday, Jan. 3.

Booster staff changes after Christmas.

Roosevelt and Lakeside 9th grades will receive this issue of the Booster as a Christmas present from the staffs.



Santa Claus

'Twas the nite before Christmas and all through the house there was a turmoil going on and on. The little mouse who is often in this fairy tale is now in the army so he isn't making any noise. The three little bears were here. Mama and Papa were playing bridge, and baby bear was playing with his toys from last year. Goldilocks and Little Red Riding Hood were chewing the fat about school activities, and how thrilled she was to have a wolf chase her all the way through the woods. Of course she stated that he is married now and has a wonderful wife. And Goldilocks is definitely not on speaking terms with Mr. and Mrs. Bear because she knew she used her last canned goods points, and yet they raised the roof—they were very strong

people—when she ate their stew. Red Riding Hood's Grandmother was still decorating the tree which was loaded with gifts. There they were. My what a picture! All of them sitting there waiting for Santa Clause, hoping that he wouldn't disappoint them with their gifts. Nylons and tires are scarce, but Santa Clause was capable of anything, wasn't he?

Hark! A knock at the door. Everyone was waiting with baited breath. It was baited with Dentyne Chewing Gum—black market product. The door opened and finally in walked Mother Goose, Old Lady Hubbard, and the Old Woman who lived in the shoe, you know how the house condition is today. They finished their Red Cross Activities. The Old Woman's children were out playing Junior Commandos and

Mother Hubbard's dog was, was, well, she was desperate for meat and her red stamps were all gone way before time so, so—. Little Jack Horner and Little Miss Muffet were now going steady so they also walked in soon after the others. Again they were sitting around the Christmas tree when they heard someone crying, "I won't do it, they can't make me do it. It just ain't human." They rushed to the door and there sat a poor lonely civilian. They inquired and found out he was Santa Claus. The draft board had called, and he had to report for induction midnight, Dec. 24. Oh sad day! The little group re-entered the house and sang Christmas carols trying to be gay. Also to forget that "There Ain't No Santa Clause." At least for the duration.



### Seventeenth Home Coming To Be Held Today

Speeches, Dancing Visiting and Renewing Friendships Occur

Today is set aside each year by the Student Council to recognize the graduates of Pittsburg Senior High School. This practice has been carried on for the past 17 years, having been inaugurated in 1926 by the Student Council.

The program this afternoon includes a short address by Mr. J. L. Hutchinson, who until 1940, served as principal for 29 years. Gilbert Strickland, Student Council President, represented the student body in expressing the welcome to all old grads present. The response was given by Larry Davis, A.S., Student Council president of last year. Special music was provided by students of PHS and the chorus sang two numbers under the direction of Mr. Gerald Carney.

The main speaker of the afternoon was Principal Finis Green, whose theme was "Our Representatives in the Armed Forces". Recognition was given members of various classes present, and a picture was taken of them on the front steps of the school.

Dancing to the music of the Royal Dragons will follow the program. This portion of the afternoon entertainment, which is under the supervision of the Social Activities Committee, is to be held in the gymnasium.

The purpose of home coming is to give the graduates of past years an opportunity to visit with each other, and to make possible their observance of the progress of their former school.

PHS extends her heartiest welcome to all grads, both those present and those unable to attend this annual event in their honor.

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### Remember Bill Hart

Most of you juniors and seniors who remember Bill Hart might be interested in hearing a little news concerning him and life in the big city. The big city in this case being Evanston, Illinois. Bill and his parents moved to Chicago last summer, and at that time he was planning on returning to PHS to graduate with his class. But he was definitely decided that he should continue his education in Evanston Township High School.

News reached PHS recently that Bill had made the first basketball string, and also dropped in the first two baskets in the opening game of the season. This was really quite an honor considering that EHS has an enrollment of 3000 pupils.

But not only did Bill star athletically, but also scholastically and (Continued on Page Four)

### Eleven Boys Affected By Draft At Semester

According to office records, eleven senior boys have become or will have become eighteen by the end of the first semester; consequently these boys will be affected by the selective service laws. Dale Hyatt, Raymond Moenik, Jack Rodabaugh, Levi Smith, Karl Ball, Clyde Curry, Rollie Hull, George Story Jr., Jess Vellia, Merlin Zollars, and Harold Umphenhour, are the boys who will have an appointment.

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### Fewer Students Receive "F"

Fewer students received F's the second six weeks of school in PHS than they did in the first period.

According to the office record 123 students received F's the first six weeks. During the second six weeks only 104 fell so low.

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You speak first. The other fellow is afraid to.

### Booster Staff Does Good Deed For Servicemen



In response to the letters sent recently to several former PHS boys in the service, the Booster has received very nice replies. Quoting from the letter from Don Bryan, "I received the letter from the students of PHS and enjoyed it more than you can ever imagine. I'm taking a few minutes off to write to tell the Booster that I greatly appreciated it and it surely was well."

Bob Conover again enclosed a clever illustration of his pleasure in receiving our letters. He wrote, "I just received the long and in-

teresting letter that was sent by each of you. Thanks a million. It was very much appreciated. Gosh, if every former student now in service received a letter such as the one I received, they would be pretty sure they hadn't been forgotten by the folks back home."

We are sorry that it is an impossibility to send every PHS graduate a letter of this type, but we will try to answer in some form, all the letters we receive.

The addresses of these boys are as follows:

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"X" Division  
C-0 Fleet Post Office  
San Francisco, California  
Pfc. Robert F. Conover  
Co. "G" 2nd Bn. 25 Marines  
4 Division  
Camp Pendleton  
Oceanside, California



## Mode of the Moment



By MOZELLE  
MAKE IT DO  
STRIKING COUPLES  
JUST DRESSES

Wear it out—make it do. How many times have we heard those words uttered? I dare say many times, because of priorities, we must conserve. Well if we must, we must, therefore the wise dame—pardon me, I mean young lady should choose clothes fittin' for every occasion. You have all heard about Wild Jane, who every time she was invited out threw her hand into the air and screamed wildly, "I haven't a thing to wear." How true! It fits all of us doesn't it? Well, to redeem this, when you buy that new dress, get one that would be suitable for any occasion.

Any girl who is wise in her taste for clothes will include a sweater, skirt, a dress (coudoury or likewise) a suit, (wool gaberdine), or any durable fabric, a black date dress. Of course, we all have our little idiosyncrasies—a new word I learned—all the accessories added will change the whole appearance of the dress, an Eisen-burg perhaps, would transform last year's wool into something flattering.

Striking femininity, that's how to describe Bonnie Holden's blue sheer blouse, really a charming couple—Bonnie and the blouse.

Something outstanding in the way of skirts is Mary Woodbury's navy blue with white flowering wheat design. Speaking of skirts, Pat Lane's accordin pleated is a stroke of genius, don't you agree? To look nice in your clothes, cleanliness comes first, all fashionists agree. Outward appearance reflects inward personality.

Everybody of course has her own personal tastes. Color creations this week in the limelights loom is blonde-blue-Helen Moody; Brunette-yellow-Dottie Thomas; Brunette-green-Carol Price; and Red-heads-lavender-Jeanne Knight. These girls are good examples of choosing right colors. Checkered slacks like Colleen Quinn's gives that different look to a gal's sport outfits.

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## THE ARTIST

Busily painting in her paint book one day, Polly Beauchamp happened to look up and see her pet dog. Now being that she was painting and had the brush in her hand, she suddenly decided her dog would look very pretty in yellow instead of his own color. So quick-as-a-flash down she swooped and started painting. However she didn't get him all painted. Wow! What a dog. You can imagine how he looked, partly yellow and partly his own color.

## THE PROFESSIONAL BARBER

One day Mary Lou Griffin was out playing in the yard. She decided she would like something to eat; so in to the house she trotted to ask her mother. Suddenly Mrs. Griffin noticed that Mary Lou didn't have her curls. Immediately she asked Mary Lou what had happened to them. So very obligingly Mary Lou lead her mother by the hand and took her outdoors. There under a tree were her lovely curls all together in a together in a neat bunch.

## SMOKE GETS IN HER EYES

"Sh! anybody coming because if they aren't, we can smoke these cigarettes." This no doubt was the exclamation of Donna McDonald. one day, when she and some of her friends were having a little get together. But don't get the wrong idea, they weren't real cigarettes; since they couldn't find any. The cigarettes were made out of coffee grounds and of course they all thought that would do just as well. So — after smoking for awhile, the coffee began to take affect. You can be sure that they never tried that again!

## WHAT NO POINTS

During dinner one day Virginia Hoffman kept asking her father for a steak bone. So the next day the family had steak her father gave her a bone with no meat on it. When Virginia refused to eat it, her father said, "But I thought you wanted the bone."

Virginia very meekly replied, "I did, but that bone isn't full."

'Twas The  
Night  
Before  
Christmas

## Identity Unknown

"TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS. When Miss Farnar was young, she firmly believed in Santa Claus. It so happened there was plenty of snow in those days. So every time it snowed, people would get out sleds and go sleigh riding. Each night before Christmas her mother would take her to the window and show her all the sleighs going by, then tell her one couldn't tell which sleigh was Santa Claus so she had better go to sleep.

## Hungry

NOT A CREATURE WAS STIRING, NOT EVEN A MOUSE. When Pat Clemens was young, he would put a lot of food out, firmly believing that Santa Claus would eat every bite. In the morning all the food was eaten, but oh what a time Santa Claus must have had!

## Mule Ears

SPEAKING OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, when Mr. Woods wouldn't behave in his youthful years he always got mule ears. Mr. Woods laughed and said, "I always got mule ears when I was young. I wouldn't know what I would do received if I had been good."

## Sleepy Head

WITH VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS DANCING IN THEIR HEADS. When Jean Ann Cremer believed in Santa Claus she would always hang up her stocking and then lie down on the davenport to wait for him. But she never got to see him because the next morning she would always find herself in her own bed. Just as soon as she was asleep, her parents would carry her up to bed.

## Poor Me!

EARLY IN THE MORNING ON CHRISTMAS DAY. Georgia Anderson, a junior, went to see what Santa had left her. Ah! There was everything she asked for but alas! and alack! no red rubber boots, the thing she most wanted, so what did she do but sit there and cry all day and didn't even play with the rest of her toys. Evidently Santa didn't think she needed them!

## Just Mother

CREeping SILENTLY DOWN THE STAIRS ON CHRISTMAS EVE, Anita Hilboldt, a sophomore, was wondering what she could see. She decided she would have a peek through the keyhole. What did she see? Santa Claus, of course, only in the form of her mother. From then on she knew where the presents came from.

A small girl at the zoo asked why the giraffe had such a long neck. "Well, you see," said the keeper gravely, "The giraffe's head is so far from his body that a long neck is absolutely necessary." High Times, Springfield, Mo.

## Book Reviews



## THE LITTLE LOCKSMITH

"Ah, here comes a locksmith. Mother must have asked him to come here and make some extra keys; since she is always losing them. That reminds me of the book I was reading called 'The Little Locksmith.'"

The Little Locksmith is the story of Katharine Butler Hathaway, who when small, was stricken with an illness and had to stay in bed for ten years. After the illness she was able to get up, but she never became robust like her brothers. Due to her sickness she was very timid and was always guarded by her mother; however Katharine seemed to rebel against the protection her mother gave her.

While she was recovering from her illness, she was able to develop her mind, because she couldn't use her feet. In that way her mind was much more active than ordinary children.

Thus it was she rebelled against her mother. Since her illness left her physically deformed, she never felt that she should marry.

She soon left her mother and moved to Castine, Maine, where she met many friends who meant much to her. Katharine suddenly decided that she would like to buy a house and started looking around. She saw exactly what she wanted, a big house. She saw so many possibilities for the house that she decided to buy it.

She did much of her writing in this house and because the climate was so pleasant she spent several summers there.

In 1932 she married Don Hathaway and they lived in various places but Katharine soon grew homesick for Maine so they bought a home in Maine. She died Dec. 24, 1942.

KNOW  
YOUR  
TOWN

Pittsburg has many points of interest. The first one to be mentioned in this article will be the Kansas State Teachers College.

This college is one of the three state maintained, coeducational teachers college in Kansas and the only one that offers comprehensive manual training courses. The college is the fulfillment of an idea conceived by R. S. Russ, superintendent of the Pittsburg public school system. This was the first normal school for manual training teachers in the United States. Until 1923 the institution was known as the Kansas State Manual Training Normal School.

The college has a building dedicated to the memory of R. S. Russ. It is a 3-story brick structure with limestone trim, and is the oldest on the 55 acre campus. It was completed in 1907.

## OPEN WIDE

A signed certificate from the dentist stating that the pupil's teeth are in good condition is necessary for seniors to have before they can graduate in Newark, New Jersey.

The Westonian, N. J.

Female Filling  
Station Attendant  
Has Bad Week

How many, mister? Want your windshield wiped? No, sorry, I have n't learned to change a tire. Well, I might try. If you'll risk it, I'll do it. Ouch! I hurt my finger and this tire is sooo heavy. Let's see now, what will I do with this little patch? I guess I'll put it on the tire, the inner tube has plenty. Oh, here's the boss, I'll let him finish the job.

Here's another customer. Good—morning, mam. Yes, we have gasoline in all different colors. Yes, I think that Ethel gasoline matches your car beautifully. Oh! You were just looking Well, come again.

Oh gee, am I tired, but then what can one expect from a mere female. Believe me, being a girl filling station attendant is no picnic. No, this didn't happen here, but in California where anything can happen — and usually does.

I knew nothing about a gas sta-

## CHRISTMAS IS HERE!

Dear Thee,  
I hear that the Printing and Journalism Staff is wishing all readers of the Booster a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We have decided to reserve this place for that purpose. So — I'll see you soon.



## Seen Around Ye Old Town

By C. Too Much

Bob! Bob! Comin' Laura Belle! Bob Tennant was a guest last Sunday at the Rush Home. MY this looks bad.

Bonnie Holden and sailor friend Paul Crawford have been seen cuttin' rugs at several dances.

Seen wearing out shoe leather walking around the halls, Flo Howard and Charlie Stonecipher. They really look o. k. together too.

One couple being seen together at regular intervals are Shirley Ball and Bobbie Soper.

Cassie Lemler and Dave Gray are not in the gray but everything is in the pink. Dave is another V-12er.

Sentimentalists at a recent formal were Louise DuBois and Dean Dauley, Gib Strickland and Connie Coulter, Bob Lorenzen and Audrie Ellis. Soft music and low lights made an enjoyable evening for them.

Say, this Ina White and Jim Ludlow are really starting the New Year off right. They were doing all right in that very dark corner at a formal dance 'tother night.

Dottie Thomas has finally found her man. He is none other than V-12er Bert deFresse.

Shirley Pierce and Ruth McMurray just can't seem to decide whether to both give up or fight a duel over sailor, Jay Morgan.

Usually "Three is a crowd" But here is one case where it seems to be quite all right. That is with Don Kelly, Nora Lee Green, and Dale Hyatt.

June Cooper, so-called ex-flame of Bob Osborn is back in town from a vacation in Florida. Who is the little soldier boy with her? Some of the rumors floating around must have been true.

How do some of these casanovas manage all of these dates. Pat Clemens has a date with Katherine Zelmer and Polly Beauchamp for New Years Eve.

'Tis rumored that Mildred Klien and Halford Manning have a date for New Years Eve. My My, but this is a new romance blooming.

Well dears, I must now close and go do my Christmas shopping. Don't forget the more news the merrier. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all in 1944.



## The Suicide Club

BY JEAN ANN CREMER

Members thus far are Bonnie Holden, Bob Schwanzle, Mr. White Mr. Collie, Miss Lanyon, Dorothy Hammick, Mr. Lampton, Esthel Grace Lewis, Gene Carmichael, "Gib" Strickland, and Alice Ann Schneider.

BANG, BANG, YOU'RE DEAD! Were you ever shot by a gun? Gene Carmichael was when he was twelve years old. He was out hunting with his brother-in-law. His brother-in-law was carrying an automatic rifle and Gene had a .22. Before Gene could notice, his hunting pal started shooting. An empty shell flew out of the gun and hit Gene in the head. Gene thought he was shot so he started crying and running around holding his head. In about five minutes

they convinced him that it was only an empty shell. Gene always walks on the left side now instead of the right. He certainly thought he was a dead duck.

CATCH ME IF I FALL!

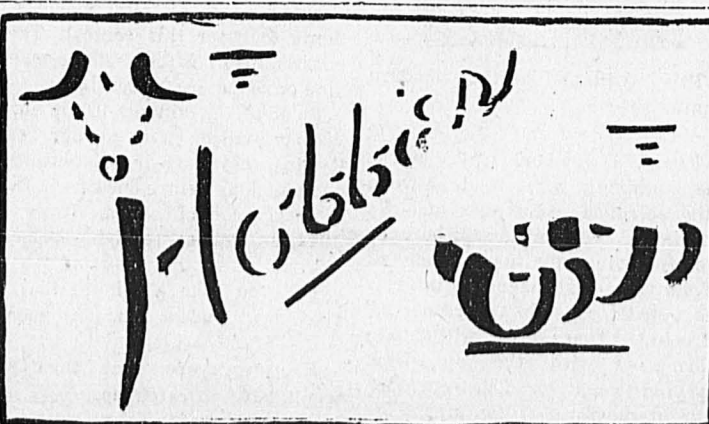
Everyone had heard the old say—"I almost broke my neck." Well, this time, that statement was true. Alice Ann Schneider and her brother, Art, were practicing adagio. Art was holding Alice in the air. She was supposed to jump and land in his arms. Alice doubled up and her brother couldn't catch her. She lit on her arm and broke it. She might have landed on her neck and broken it.

ANYONE HAVE A LOUD VOICE

Gilbert Strickland said his narrowest escape was not physical or

anything like that, but it was embarrassing and disgraceful.

It happened on a Friday, about a year ago. The Cozy show had Bingo on Friday nights. Gilbert was the announcer. If you didn't have a microphone, you couldn't be heard above the crowd. "Gib" had a cold and could hardly talk anyway. At the last moment the microphone broke. "Gib" just stood around and looked sad, and wished he were someplace else, while the manager and operator ran around trying to fix the microphone. He had been on the stage for two or three minutes before they brought the repaired microphone to him. After that, he was always glad to see a microphone, because it certainly saved his face.

More Non-Fiction  
Books Being Read

Strange isn't it how people's taste change in times of war. Believe it or not, for the month of November there were 792 non-fiction books checked out of the school library, 551 were fiction. However this does not seem so strange because during war, travels, histories and those classified under non-fiction, can and are being written very interestingly. To those students who don't like biographies this shows that they had better take an interest in them if they want to be in the up and coming group. The number of biographies checked out was 332.

## PITCHERS AND CREMERS

Yes, you guessed it she saves cream and pitcher sets, by she that is Jean Cremer. In fact she has such a nice collection she walked away with the second place at the 1940 Hobby Contest. Jean has saved them for several years until now she has over 200 in her immediate collection. They have been collected from 47 states and from practically every country of the world. She prizes her little trinkets beyond money but several years ago it was priced at \$250. The smallest one is one-eighth of an inch high while her largest one is 18 inches high. Her most prized one is a small hand-blown, white, with a hand painted design. It was bought at the New York's World Fair. Among the various kinds there are glass, clay, hand carved and many other kinds too numerous to mention.

There are 50 in the shape of animals, 75 in the shape of people and various little gremlin

shaped objects. Jean keeps 25 of her little species displayed at home, the others are safely put away.

## LITTLE EVELYN

Little Evelyn Bernet, five years of age saves little charms, she gets most of them from penny machines or what her daddy brings her. Little Evelyn is 16 years old now. Yep she grew up, but she still saves the little charms, until now she has approximately 600. Her favorite one is a lion with eyes that move in it's head. After over ten years Evelyn still saves these little gauds and wouldn't take anything for her collection. What! Not even a farm in Georgia?

## ME TOO!

Yep, I'll! Mary Adele Woodbury also collects the little animal charms. This gal has saved them for 100 years and now has 3760, just for good luck, I presume. Yep, she also collects dark headed boys, I add risking my life. Oh, Well.



## Time Changes Christmas

Christmas in 1875 was quite different compared to the way people in 1943 celebrate the day. Perhaps grandmother remembers when the whole family tramped out through the deep snow to cut down a cedar tree. This was the day that the oldest boy got to carry the ax and wield the first blow. The younger hearts were filled with joy at the thought of trimming it.

Candles, popcorn, and cranberries were the only decorations used to trim the tree. Instead of having all the toys underneath the tree, the children had a contest to see whose present was highest up on the branches of the big cedar.

About 1900, the children took their presents to the school house. There they would sit around the tree, its top touching the ceiling of the little red schoolhouse, and wait until Santa Claus called their name to come and get the much awaited for Christmas presents. Everybody told stories about the boy, Jesus. Then Santa would pass out candy that was packed in different colored paper; next came the sleigh ride and the singing of Christmas carols.

After returning home, it was a custom to hang up their stockings so Santa would fill them with fruit, candy, and toys.

This Christmas, the children of the United States will eat their Christmas dinner but many tables will have empty chairs, chairs never to be filled again. Possibly a service flag with a gold star hangs in the window beside or in place of the customary Christmas wreath.

### V... — They Sez It



Waltz — I'm staying home. I have to cook Christmas dinner.  
Lanyon — I guess I'll stay home. What else can a person do with things the way they are now. I'm going to get a turkey if I have to steal it.

Lewis — I'll stay home and rest and cook. Of course, I'll have to cook the Christmas dinner.

Carney — I'm going to work as usual. I want to work out some musical programs.

Bailey — I'll just stay home and rest. I'm not going to do anything.

Price — I have a lot to do. I want to paint my house and put a linoleum in the kitchen. Oh yes, my wife wants a dresser built in the bathroom too.

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## How Would You Solve It?

Miss Lottie Baloney, instructor of Moonology—a course which is overflowing with applicants—holds her class on the second floor during the noon hour and was leading her class in a very serious discussion one day this week.

A number of students were stating their opinions as to whether students were spending their noon hour profitably.

One student, not a member of the class, suggested the noon hour be cut. There were many arguments on that subject. Another student suggested they have a place to dance and play games, and in this way there would be plenty of time for people to eat instead of gulping their lunch. He

thought this would do away with roomers in the halls.

The question was still being discussed when the bell rang. Students issued bulletins asking for suggestions. They said they needed help in solving it.

WHAT WOULD YOU SUGGEST???

HOW WOULD YOU SOLVE IT???

Mary Jean Bill: "I don't think the noon hour should be cut."

Laura Bell Rush: "The noon hour should be longer if anything. Some schools have game rooms, why can't we?"

Lois Jean Pierce: "I think the noon hour is all right just as it is."

I don't see why we can't have a place to play games and dance at noon. It would eliminate all the rooming in the halls."

Kenneth Baldwin: "Students should have some kind of a program at noon."

Miss Nelson: "That's a problem. Many different ways to eliminate noise in the halls have been tried. Part of school life is visiting with the fellow students, but they could be quiet."

Jonnie Thomas: "There is just enough time as it is for us to eat."

Bobbie Delaney: "I don't think the noon hour should be shortened. I know, I go home at noons, there wouldn't be time for me to eat and get back. I live 17 blocks from the school."

## Case Of The Missing Grade Card Ends

"Oh gee, grade cards again. I certainly do wish that they were never issued," said Johnnie.

"Why I think they are swell. It shows how much ability you have in each class," said Janie. "You know I think one reason you don't like them is that you always get bawled out for not bringing your grade cards back as soon as possible."

"Aw, but Janie, you know that I forget to take them home and when I do, I forget to have my parent sign them."

"But, Johnnie, you know that the sooner you bring back your grade card, the less chance you have of losing it. And if you lose it you cause quite a lot of trouble to the teachers; since they have to make out new ones."

"You know, Janie, I think you've got something there. I never thought of it that way before. I guess maybe I'll try to make a little more effort to remember my grade card this time and get it back as soon as possible."

"That's the right attitude Johnnie. Well, I'll be seeing you. I don't think you'll be returning your grade cards in so late after this, at least I hope you won't."

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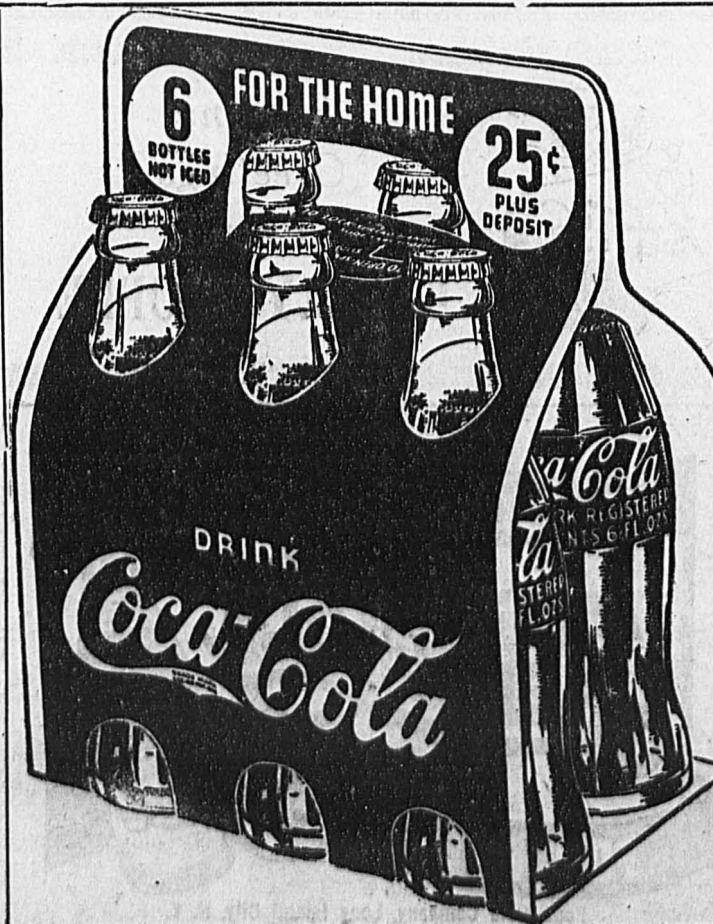
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## Coffeyville Opens Teen Town Club

A near capacity crowd of approximately 400 attended the opening of Teen Town, youth project sponsored by the Junior chamber of commerce at the club rooms in the Kloeher building. The club was open exclusively to persons of senior high school age.

"Entertainment consisted of dancing, ping pong, pool, checkers, dominoes and other games. The group will be combined later with those of junior high school age. Hours are from 7 to 9:30."

"When the organization is completed, admittance will be by membership card only. Young people of junior or senior high school age are eligible to become members. Nominal dues will be set by the members themselves at a later meeting. It is optional with the members whether they have dates to Teen Town. It is not a necessity."

"As soon as possible the Junior chamber plans to give the membership all executive and managerial responsibilities. No organized drive for funds have been planned although any contributions to this project which is being undertaken in answer to one of the great needs of today, will be welcomed by the Junior chamber."

No, this didn't happen in Pittsburg. It is an excerpt taken from the Nov. 29, Coffeyville High School paper, Tornado.

In addition to this, the Coffeyville group chose officers and appointed committees to carry out plans for "Teen Town."

V... —  
Vacation begins Dec. 23, and ends Monday, Jan. 3.

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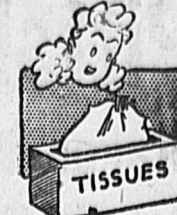
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## "The Doc Says"



A Booster reporter interviews Doctor Kiehl, city health officer, every other week to find about the health condition of the community. The following statement was made by Dr. Kiehl:

"Bad colds have affected an unusually large number of teacher and students in Pittsburg in the past few weeks. In one school five teachers out of seven and the custodian were absent because of colds."

"One of the greatest menaces to health is over-heated house."

"If one has a cold he should stay out of school. Drugs are of no particular value; the only way to keep from getting a cold is to stay away from those who have one."

"Teachers should not allow any student who has a cold in his or her classroom."

### V... — A CHRISTMAS WISH

Snow, Snow everywhere,  
As its giant flakes fill the air,  
Reminds me of a story bold,  
That should be known by young and old.

The wisemen came with their oils and spices,  
For this was the beginning of a wonderful crisis.

And now on this beautiful Xmas day,  
I make one wish if I may,  
"Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Gene Carmichael





# Pittsburg Dragons to Miami for Cage Starter Tonight

## Dragon Opener Set Up With New Games

Thirteen Tilts Sure Of; May Play Two More

The Dragon cage opener has been set up from Jan. 7 to Dec. 23, Mr. Green announced last week. Tomorrow night the locals will journey to Miami, Oklahoma for their first game. What the two teams have in store is not known but if records aren't deceiving, Miami always has an outstanding basketball team. The Wardogs will be out to stop the Dragons who defeated them in football this fall.

The Dragons will be paced by "Ossie" Shoup, 6-3 center and Johnnie Glaser, 6-3 forward. Other probable starters will be Milton Fidler, 6-2, forward, Bob Huntington and Bob Osborn, 5-11, guards. About ten boys will make the trip.

The next game will be Jan. 4, at Joplin and three days later the Tigers from Fort Scott will be here for the first home game.

The games scheduled with Joplin and Miami makes thirteen definitely on the docket for the Purple crew with two more probable games with Baxter Springs.

Here is the schedule for 1943-44 with the Baxter Springs games tentative:

Dec. 23—Miami (there)  
Jan. 4—Joplin (there)  
Jan. 7—Fort Scott (here)  
Jan. 11—Baxter Springs (there)  
Jan. 14—Parsons (here)  
Jan. 21—Idola (there)  
Jan. 28—Columbus (here)  
Feb. 4—Fort Scott (there)  
Feb. 11—Parsons (there)  
Feb. 15—Baxter Springs (here)  
Feb. 18—Columbus (there)  
Feb. 21—Chanute (there)  
Feb. 25—Miami (here)  
Feb. 29—Joplin (here)  
Mar. 3—Idola (here)

### REMEMBER BILL HART

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socially. This former PHS'er was included on the honor roll of his high school, which indicates his grades must have been outstanding. He joined a high school fraternity also, which accounts for his social activities.

Yes, we in PHS indeed have reason to be proud of Bill, and to boast of the fact that he came from our school. In schools as large as the one he is attending at the present, one must definitely be outstanding to deserve the honors which he has been receiving.

V . . .  
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## LOCKER ROOM CHATTER



Basketball season has officially got underway in these parts. There have been three games played on local courts already, two at St. Mary's and one at the College.

From all indications, according to these games, fans aren't going to see the basketball this year that they did last. The smooth precisioned game is almost definitely out. As far as real sharpshooters are concerned they are very scarce and not regular.

Pittsburg fans won't be able to see the local Dragons in action til Jan. 7, when they entertain the Ft. Scott Tigers.

The Dragons are looking for more ball games. They had a little scrimmage game with Arma last Friday. The Dragons have a lot of brushing up to do on basket shooting, but most of the boys have found their "eye".

Homer Cole, ex-Dragon guard, is playing ball with the KSTC Gorillas. Homer was elected co-captain of the basketball team last year and played a lot of ball for the PHSers.

While running through one of the Columbus High School papers I ran across an article which I believe you should hear about. It brought up the point that we don't respect the coal "scuttle".

I heartily agree with the columnist in this respect. I believe that the "scuttle" should be put in one of the numerous trophy cases around the building. I'm sure there is plenty of room.

Thanks for the advice Columbus! We'll respect the bucket from now on.

An athlete can never get hot unless he keeps cool. How True! How True!

Bowling seems to be catching on more and more here in PHS.

Bowling is already a popular pastime among the grown ups and is rising fast as one of the favorites of the younger half. PHS has some exceptional bowlers too. George Story, Jim Ludlow, Jack Brumbaugh, Vivian Ratt, and many others.

Special thanks should be given to the given to the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. and Mrs. Broome for giving the football boys dinners.

Speaking of dinners it reminds me of a story Lynn Waldorf told at the C of C banquet. Here's about the way it goes.

One of the big university coaches was watching his hugh 200 some pound end on defense. It seems that the lad wasn't doing too good. The coach stepped up to the boy and said, "Son just what do you do on defense?"

The boy hesitated a minute and then piped up, "Well, Coach, here's what I do. When the ball goes into play, I wade across the line about three yards, spread my arms out and gather in all the legs I can reach. Then I pick them up and peel off the players until I come to the ball carrier."

All this columnist has to say concerning the feud with Du Boise is that he at least has the printers on his side.

Why didn't the "Mistletoe-Kid's" column get on first page last week. We understand why Locker Room Chatter didn't, but there is no possible reason why "What D'Ya Know" was left out. Maybe they don't like to clutter up—let's don't go into that, though.

We agree that the front page is inferior to the back page. We see no reason for a feud when the point is so evident. It's like taking candy from a columnist (baby).

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## Coach Frnka Solves Problem Of Having Team By Using 4Fs

Tulsa Head To Come says "Red" Early last fall Coach Frnka (pronounced Franka) debated for a week whether to have a football team or not. Tulsa's 700 students had no Navy or Marine trainees. One of his players, Camp Wilson, ex-Hardin Simmons star, came straight from the hospital where doctors made a futile attempt to repair a severed tendon above the heel. He welcomed back one-armed Ellis Jones, a sure tackling guard and whole bodied Clyde Le Force. Also back was C. B. Stanky, alternate tackle, who has only partial use of one arm due to scar tissues from burns. He wears an arm brace.

Most of his starting players are 4-Fs or hold Army medical discharges. Of the squad of 41, 24 are physically unfit for military service. Nine are 17 year olds or undrafted 18 year olds.

This collection of cripples outscored their opponents 251 to 32 and are playing Georgia Tech in the Sugar Bowl New Years.

Though they played no top-rank teams, their record of six wins and a tie makes Tulsa the best civilian team of the year.

one tie is the best record for a civilian tam this year.

## LEAGUE BOWLING

FLASH! Last Saturday those scratchy Wolves Inc. blasted their way to a second place tie in the High School Bowling League by whalloping the Y. M. C. A. Champions two games. Here are the standings:

|               |       |
|---------------|-------|
| Rangers       | 15-5  |
| Wolves Inc.   | 14-6  |
| Five Lices    | 14-6  |
| "Y" Champions | 12-8  |
| Ramb. Recks   | 11-9  |
| Wolfetts      | 10-10 |
| Blancett's    | 9-12  |
| Pen Pushers   | 5-15  |

For the high single line for the boys Duck Overman took first with 179. Marvy White was runner-up with 171 while Johnny Lyle Grisham scratched third with 168.

For the boy's high two lines, Duck Overman was again first with a sloppy 347. Marvy White was in second place with 328 while John Grisham again was third with 326.

For the high girl single line Ina Louise White took first with a lucky 152. Donna Broome scored a second with 134. Grace Lewis took third with 121.

For the girl's high two lines Ina (Lucky) White was first again with the big sum of 279. Donna Broome took second place with 246 while

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## Tournaments Prove To Be Success So Far

More Bowling Planned For Coming Year

George Story and Mary Cronin easily walked away with the PHS mixed doubles crown last Saturday morning at the "Y" by besting Lucky White and Looie Hanes 963 to 882, handicap included. Scratchy Lewis and Jacky Brumbaugh took third place with 859. Marvy White and Mistletoe Kid DuBois came in last due the Mistletoe Kid rolling only 83 the last game.

Individual honors went to George Story, high school singles champion. He rolled a 190 and 509 for high single line and high series.

George and Mary each received \$1.00 prize money.

The tournaments so far this year have been a great success and more are scheduled before the year is over.

More bowlers are urged to come down to Y. M. C. A. on Saturday to bowl. So far there have too few coming down, although there has been a pretty good turnout.

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