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# **Booster Sponsors Essay Contest**

"Seriously: This is what I owe my school and what my school owes me" is the topic chosen for this year's Booster essay contest.

Every year the journalism staff sponsors this contest with prizes and an invitation to the Booster banquet. The winners of the top three essay prizes will be guest of the staff at the banquet to be he held Friday night May 10 at Earhearts Tea Room.

The contest is open to all juniors in PHS and preference will be given to students who enter to have an opportunity to take Journalism.

Entries are to be the same as last year, written in essay form and limited to a maximum of 500 words. Essays must be turned in to Junior English teachers not later than April 26.

First prize will be a wooden plaque with the winners name engraved on it. Second and third prize winners will receive ribbons.

## Comments Are Made On Hi-Y Conference

According to the boys who attended the sectional Hi-Y conference. was well appreciated by all, interesting and also very success-

Dr. Paul Weaver of Stephens College, the speaker of the conferenie was wel appreciate by all of the boys. He held the boys attention throughout his two speches.

Here are a few coments made by some of the boys attending the conference.

"I enjoyed the conference very much and I thought the speaker, Dr. Weaver, was very good. Dr. Weaver held the boys attention all through his talks", commented Joe

Bill Brumbaugh stated, "It was a very good conference. Dr Weaver was the finest speaker I ever heard. The various discussion groups were also interesting."

"It was the first conference I ever attended and I liked it very much. If other conferences are like this one, I would like to attend them. The speaker was excellent," said Dan Martin thoughtfully.

## Shop Classes Make Practical Articles

Woodworking classes under the direction of Mr. Harlan Price are making practical projects this

semester. Bob McVickers and Clarence Krausmark are making a table to mount a model airplane. The boys only worry now is whether the table

will hold the airplane down. John Taylor is making a piece for a German rifle he brought home. John picked it up while he was over seas.

Other projects being made are, end tables, magazine racks, coffee tables, record cabinets, and a living room chair.

The boys have put in a lot of time on these projects and really have something to show for their

COME TO THE PARTY TONIGHT, TEACHERS

Schoolspirit

## **Athletics Creats Friendships** Fair Play

"What Athletics Contribute to the School"

Athletics contribute a great deal to the school. For the young boys in school, there is no better way of building yourself up physically and mentally. There is no more wholesome test of brains, speed, and strength. A sports program is also a necessary element in National Defense, for co-ordination between mind and body, excellent discipline, fair play, the ability to respect authority, and the willingness to cooperate to attain the objective.

Today we are confronted by a need for a United Nation, fit to serve in times of emergency. This service requires physically strong, mentally alert, and socially minded individuals who can give to their utmost, if need be, in such output. There is a need for leadership and fellowship.

Athletics create an everlasting friendship among the boys, girls, and faculty members.

Schoolspirit is another element developed through athletics. The competitive desire to win, being able to be a good loser. The love of the school, something that always carries your memories back in later years. Athletics develop better students, an athlete must keep his grades in a standing or passing position at all times. I could go on citing many reasons for the value of athletics, but I want to leave one thing in mind to all of us. We must be able to give and take orders, respect all members with authority, and place our school first.

Jim Morey

## X Ray Will Aid With **Tuberculosis Drive**

Because of money taken in through the sale of tuberculosis seals this past Christmas, it is possible for Pittsburgers, x-ray unit coming to Pittsburg napkins for the Red Cross. The oth-May 2—14.

This examination is free and is sponsored by the State Health Department and the Crawford County Medical Society.

Instead of the usual x-ray plate the x-rays are made on a 35 millemeter film. The film is sent to Topeka to be projected on a screen. Besides checking for tuberculosis, other conditions such as heart ailments are checked.

If any x-ray shows signs tuberculosis, the family doctor will notify the person concerned

Students are urged to set an example when this x-ray unit comes to town.

This effort against tuberculosis is not only city-wide but countywide. It is under the chairmanship of Mrs. E. A. Massman of Pitts-

## Forum Club Plans Assembly Program

Progressiveness Education will be the topic for discussion for next weeks Forum Club meeting Supt. Small will be the speaker.

The Forum Club will present one of its meetings for the student body in the form of an assemby program this month.

## Senior Scouts Make Red Cross Projects

Last Tuesday the senior group of Scouts met in project groups. The troop has been divided into four groups. One group will stuff ani-12 years and on up, to receive mals, another will make layettes, the benefits of the mobile and one will make stationery and er group will prepare for the troops Gypsy Trip in June.

> Ruth Ann Williamson is chairman of the layette group. Other members are Harriet Hilboldt, and Marilyn Hyatt and Shirley Sherman The members of the group to stuff animals are Catherine McNew, Betty Ann Cole, Virginia Huffman, Helen Curteman and Betsy Caput as chairman, Barbara Wintle, chairman, Marilyn Markham, and Vera Masterson make unthe camping

Margaret Plagens is acting as chairman of the stationery - napkin group. Others are Joyce McGrath, Margaret Robinson, Helen Johnson, Melcy Wheeler, Shirley Ball, Edna Taylor, and Ella Lou Atkeson. This group is making designs for Easter napkin holders to be sent to Camp Crowder.

#### **Education Office Gets** New Mimeograph Machine

In the officce of Superintendent Small their is a new mineograph.

This machine has just arrived but was ordered last year.

The one formally used in the education office will be turned over to commerical Department for instructional purposes.

## This Is

## Instructor Thanks Student About Music

We have concluded one of the most important events of our music program. This is not an event designed to award honors, but an event whereby schools of a certain class and size may compare their achievement against a theoretically perfect presentation.

It has been the habit of PHS musicians to win honors at this event; not to outclass other schools, but to achieve the highest degree of fine musical organizations. This year has been an exceptional year. Of 32 events entered in the recent music festival, 25 received Highly Superior ratings. This includes both Junior and Senior High groups and

Much credit should be given to the students themselves. Many worked by themselves as soloists. Others worked together in groups and then came to the instructor for help and criticism. Large groups worked tirelessly for a good many days putting the final touches to what we thought would be a fine presentation.

All in all we feel gratified with the results. We hope that we have added a few more laurels to the already long list of fine honors achieved by this school. To all our Junior and Senior High musicians, I say, thank you, for your desire to be the best.

M. Orville Johnson

# "Bashful Bells" Take Available Males To Annual Dance Tonight

"Sadie Hawkens used to live down in Dogpatch, but she couldn't seem to get herself a man!" Well, times have changed, judging from the activities of to day.

The "bashful belles" of the little mountain hamlet have invaded PHS and are carrying off every available male. They are planning on celebrating at a big "shindig" in the Roosevelt gym at 8:00 tonight. Votes cast for the eight Daisy

PHS Students Will Take Nine Tests Students, get ready to be

mentally fatigued after taking those educational development tests next Monday and Tuesday. in the RJHS gymnasiu.m Preparations are being made to seat alphabetically the seniors, Juniors, and sophomores The public address system

tor to convey directions to the students. Pencils are not furnished but

will be used by a teacher moni-

all other materials will be. It is hoped that there will be

100 per cent attendance. Morning schedule will begin at 8:50 and end 11:55.

There will be a recess at

Tests will continue during the afternoon with a recess at 2:45.

Monday there will be six tests while Tuesday morning there will be three.

#### Bishop Martin-Dr. Gibson Are Lentin Speakers

fortunate in having two excellent went on to the national contest to Gibson an official of the United the Optimist. Presbyterian church, from Pennsylvania and Bishop W. C. Martin, of the Methodist church from to judge. Topeka.

Dr. Gibson spoke last week and Bishop Martin last Wednesday. Next week the annual Easter program will be given by the Girl Reserves. Easter vacation begins Thursday night after school, April 18, and will be resumed Monday morning April 22.

Mae and Lil' Abner candidates in assembly this morning are being counted now, and the winning team will be "crowned Dogpatch style" at the dance intermission tonight. They will preside at the program.

Galen Williams and Maurice Chrysler will settle the question of who can make the best "Kick-aboo-joy juice" in a grudge wrestling match. Miss Oliver will lead the grand march and the winning candidates will judge and award a prize to the most appropiately dressed boy or girl. Fighting for the crown are Harriet Hilboldt, Polly Lashbrook, Jackie Brown, and Eva Evans, for Daisy Mae, and Bill Rinehart, Joe Peel, Larry Douglas, and Merlin Knaup for Lil' Abner.

Everyone enjoyed the "unusual" program presented in assembly this morning. The participation of several teachers made it especially interesting for the students.

#### Staff Members Win Tuberculous Awards-

The Booster of Pittsburg, Kans. and the Optimist of Atchison Kans. were among 74 papers to receive national awards in the National School Press Project sponsored by the National Tuberculosis Association.

The Booster was among those Pittsburg High School has been chosen for the state contest and speakers this Lentin season. Dr. win this honor award along with

Nine entries from 32 states were received . This m

The Booster staff is proud to have received this certificate of

> Nancy Messenger caught the first man, Ernie Chaney; and Galen Williams won honors for staying free the longest. Anita Hilboldt finally grabbed

## Student F. H. A. Members Expected To **Attend Conference At KSTC April-13**

Some 150 high school economics students, members of the Future Homemakers of America, and their local advisors, are expected to attend the fifth district FHA conference to be held in Pittsburg, Saturday, April 13, according to Miss Esther Lee, staff member of the State Board for Vocational Education, and state FHA advisor. The meeting will be held at the Music Hall, Kansas State Teachers

## Facts Are Facts **But So Are These**

"Lets face facts." Yes, there are plenty of facts around the school that the average student should know. This will enlighten him on a few of them.

There's a sort of law around the school that says that a teacher must have his room unlocked and in it 15 minutes before the class takes up.

Another requirement is that senior high students are not permitted to enter the building through the north door in the morning.

Bound volumés of magazines cannot be checked out of the library over night.

College, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with Miss Mary Wilkin of Independence, FHA president for the fifth district, presiding. Miss Hazel Buck, district chairman, is

in charge of conference plans. Members of the Chetopa Chapter will register guests attending the conference. Highlighting the meeting will be a pageant, "Purposes of the Future Homemakers of America." Representing the eight purposes of the FHA will be chapter members from Altamont, Frontenac, Chetopa, McCune, Independence, Pleasanton, and Mound City.

Other program numbers will include the chanting of the FHA Creed by Future Homemakers from Kincaid;.

Reports of officers will be given by Betty Lou Molider, secretary, Cherryvale; LaVon Bartlett, treasurer, Mound City; and Arlene Osborn, historian, Kincaid.

Election of officers for the fifth district will be held during the morning session and installation of the newly ellected officers will take place that afternoon.

An hour of folk dances and games in charge of Mrs. R.Fowler, KSTC, Pittsburg will close the conference.

## It's Worth Thinking About

## No Vacancy Sign Greets Returning Veteran And Family

No vacancy! Many veterans have come across this sign more than once on returning from the Services. If accidently they do find an apartment and have a small child, they will get the answer, "No children allowed!" In some of the bigger towns, such ads as \$100 reward for information leading to an apartment or house" are seen.

Although this problem has provided a good subject for jokes, the people who are living in trailers and one room apartments fail to see any humor in it.

In Kansas City, a man and his wife have rented a doll house. For the man who is over six feet tall, the quarters are a little crowded but better than a park bench or tent.

## Camera Catches Action Shots Around High School

Feeling that every day activities in Pittsburg High School contain much human interest, the staff plans to capture in the camera's eye "Whats going on around here" and publish the same in an insert the first part of May.

There will be action shots of the Industrial Arts, Science, Home Economics, Printing, Music, Physical Education, Art, Commerce, Library, and other typical classes.

There will be shots of the Sadie Hawkins assembly in the picture supplement.

Here! Here! Control yourself!

Here you read this, then I'll

re d it. This introduces the "over-

the-shoulder reader." He looks over

your shoulder to read what you

are reading. You give him a dirty

look and he just smiles and leans

farther over your shoulder. Now!

Now! Hold your temper! We all

There are gobs and gobs more

of these little irritable traits in

some characters, but this enough

for this time. Just remember,

don't do anything drastic when

Do you feel lazy, rundown,

When spring rolls around, the hu

man race automatically slows

down. Many common diseases re-

sult from spring. Some of the well

known ones are "Loafosis," "Pep-

lessness," "Stareosis." "Fishitis,"

Many students around PHS have

already acquired the symptoms.

Just look at JIMMY KINSCH some

time. There my friends is a perfect

example of "Loafosis." if you don't

believe me, just ask Mr. Nation.

acute case of "Peplessness."

worry? Ha, Ha,.

cureless sickness.

going to squeel)

the halls at noon.

the Blue Goose at 1:00.

LARRY DOUGLAS has a very

This sickness has been with Larry

Stareosis" is a disease that

for several years now but does he

leaves it's victims with starry eyes

looking out the window. ERNIE

CHANEY is affected with this

We know two sophomores who

have "Fishitis" very bad. We

wouldn't want to mention any

names but just ask JACK SHELLY

and JIM SMEDLEY. They might

know! "Skipitity" has been carried

on in PHS for several years,

Teachers have carried on much

research on this sickness but have

never found a sure cure. (We're not

"Lovaria" is a dreaded disease

that strikes quite suddenly. Sym-

ptoms are, starry eyes, fast pulse,

heavy heart beat, and restlessness.

For an example just stand out in

So take care and don't get spring

fever but, if you do. I'll meet you at

"Skipitity". and "Lovaria."

and out of sorts lately? Me

know he's a pest.

## People Are One Of Greatest Pest To Other People Says Cornelia Burp

There are all kinds of peo- throat and yells "hi!" in your ear

Irritable people, means people Put that knife back in your pocket good people, and boring people no matter how tempted you may Here are a few of them and be. the things they do that people don't like.

There is always the person who goes to the show and sits behind you and pops his gum and laughs while you sit there and cries in a sad part of the picture. Or else he sits and guffows at an especially tender love scene. Oh, what a pest!

In that same show there is too, the person who sits with his knees on the back of your chair and keeps pushing hard against it. You feel like you could almost become these people annoy you. a murderer.

You all know the "feller" who comes up, slaps you on the back Spring Disease Hits almost knocks your teeth down your Local Student Body

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Crime Inc. Tess The Mess

Were Cecil Wilson, Bob Var ner and Bill Reed ever in the wrong place at the wrong time last Thursday? The two boys nonchalantly sauntered into the auditorium and proceeded to drape themselves over a chair. They were having the nicest conversation while waiting for the supposed assembly to be gin. Well, they could have sat there all day waiting for the assembly to begin, but it would never have gotten under way. You see Girl Reserves were holding their weekly meeting there. It finally dawned on the three wayward boys that the room was full of the opposite sex. They took on a healthy blush and made a rather hasty exit.

If you would like to join G. R., better see Miss Oliver about paying your dues.

Question of the week:

Who will be the Daisey Mae and Lil' Abner at the dance tonight ?????

Boy the things that don't happen around here.

Just recently Buddy Brown offered to chauffeur Mr. Woods down town after school. Little did Mr. Woods suspect. He started to get into what he thought would be a normal car but no! It was a little convertible job of about 1910 vintage, one side of the car was running on the rims while the other side was in style with two tires. They finally got started and on their way down town, a gust of wind went rolling by and snatched Mr. Wood's hat right off his head. Several big trucks made a big swerve to miss it as did many cars. Finally the brave man descended from the car stopped traffic; put his hat on his head, gracefully stepped into the car and with one side of the car up and the other side down from lack of tires on one side, dramatically continued his way into town. Believe it or not, I say, that is but it happened!!!

Crime Inn

Hey Ray!! don't you have nightmares or at least daymares!! Man, that shirt you have been sportin' around!! All you gotta do is take off your shoes and jump into bed. Purty convenient, if you ask me, wearing your pajama top to school.

"Sadie Hawkins used to live down in Logpatch and she couldn't seem to get herself a man," The sentence above is a has been and a small exaggeration. It should run something like this, "Sadie Hawkins now lives down in Pittsburg and she really caught herself a man."

Judging from todays escapades, that's no lie. Tonight the night of nights will be one remembered by all the queer people of Dogpatch, now inhabiting the halls of PHS. Everyone is wondering who the lucky boy and girl will be that that will reign over the dance as the true Daisy Mae and Lil' Abner, well it won't be long now so be sure girls to pick up your date on time and be here for that rip roarin time that is in store for all.

Don't worry if your grades are low, and your rewards are few, just remember that the mighty oak, was once a nut like you.

Swiped

## Catch'Im! Dance Is Tonight



# Hearts Of Local Romeos Go Huba Huba In Spring

heart goes huba huba! When a cornflowers which signify DEL fella calls on his gal this time of ICACY. year he usually takes her "Something to Remember Me By."

subject.

It seems that ROGER HALLI-DAY called on HARRIET HILB-OLDT the other evening with an arm full of apple blossoms which seen in her hand a large bouquet signify, great admiration. While BILL BATTEN was waiting in NICHOLSON. These dainty little

... In the spring a young mans hidden under his coat a bouquet of

Standing by the front door of PHS one morning was LILBERT azier, These little tokens of love HOLCOMB patiently waiting for usually consist of flowers. Have MARY LOUISE to arrive. Since girls ever wondered what the Lilbert is the bashful type, he had meanings are of the flowers you a hand-ful of daffodils in his locker received? Every flower has a eager to reach the hand of Mary meaning and following are a few Brown to get off work, he had of this reporter's ideas on the Louise. The meaning of these flowers is UNREQUITED LOVE.

Last Monday morning if you had seen WILMA KETTERMAN walking to school you would have of for-get-me-notes for "FLOWER" front of the show for SHIRLEY flowers signify true love.



TOPS IN WAX\_Black, Brown and Beige-two 12-inch Victor record Showpiece No. SP-9. Here is the most pretentious and significant work from the pen of Duke Ellington. This is music for list-



ening, and in its repetition, an understanding of the Negro's position in American culture is to be Duke Ellington gained. It

traces the life of the Negro through three hundred yearsthrough slavery, the wars, their religious fervor, their sorrows and joys, and their philosophies. Starred are the saxes of Otto Hardwicke, Johnny Hodges, Al Sears and Harry Carney; the trumpet of Taft Jordan; Tricky Sam Nanton's trombone; Ray Nance, violin; Junior Raglin, bass; and Joya Sherrill at her vocal best.

VOCAL TRIO \_ The Dinning Sisters, Jean, Ginger and Lou of the tricky harmonies, sing a pair of commercial, but good sides: Wave To Me, My Lady and Do You Love Me? The former is a railroad novelty chant which sticks in the mind, and the latter, a ballad, is taken from the Twentieth Century Fox picture of the same name (Capitol).

VOCAL STANDOUT\_I'm A Big Girl Now. This may have been intended for dancing, but Sam-



my Kaye's new chirper discovery, Betty Barclay, steals the show with her vocals. She's a new singing sensation

**Betty Barclay** "stylist," (and will be discovered by press and reviewers alike when the nation's "jukes" catch on), and the greatest thing to happen to a band since Bonnie Baker. On the backing she joins vocals with Billy Williams to sing Put Your Little Foot Right Out, (Victor).

INSTRUMENTAL TRIO - Nat Cole, with The King Cole Trio, Capitol label in, It Is Better To Be By Yourself. This is played as they perform it in the picture, Breakfast in Hollywood, with the group singing a solid, driving chorus that is topped only by fine piano-guitar choruses. Dig this for a collector's item. On the back the boys display their wares—Oscar Moore's guitar, (he's the "Esky" winner this year), Johnny, Miller's fine bass work, and Nat Cole's piano in the instrumental, Sweet Georgia Brown.

DANCE\_If you like your music easy on the ears, if you want a beat for dancing, if you like a

ballad melody, then Take Care - it's Tommy Tucker's newest and his best for a long time. Don Brown and The Three Two



Tommy Tucker Timers sing it, a subtone clarinet carries the melody with a guitar filler and Tommy Tucker's band gives you the beat with background music. On the reverse, the band plays, the same vocalists sing When The One You Love (Simply Won't Love Back), (Columbia).

JAZZ FOR COLLECTORS

-Brunswick issues another album in their "Collectors' Series" titled Johnny Dodds. This album contains four 10-inch discs, among which are these bests — Weary Blues, After You've Gone, Joe Turner Blues, and Piggly Wiggly. The immor-tal Dodds' clarinet, played in traditional New Orleans style where the one reed instrument serves as an entire reed section, runs the complete range from subtone to harmonics. Here is a must for collectors!

#### **NEW AND WORTHY** IMPRESSIONS IN WAX

FULL MOON AND EMPTY ARMS-Gordon MacRae, Vocal (Musicraft) SEEMS LIKE OLD TIMES - Vaughn Monroe, Dance (Victor)

ALL THROUGH THE DAY-Margaret Whiting, Vocal (Capitol) JUICE HEAD BABY - Cootie Wil-

liams, Dance (Capitol) DAY BY DAY - Bing Crosby, Vocal

## Musicans Rate Well At Festival

Another music festival has come to an end, with much success for the musicians of PHS. Mr. Johnson stated out of 33 entries, 24 placed in the no. 1 or highly superior classification, while the other nine were in class no. 2 or superior rating. None was under the superior class.

Not only did the organizations place at the top but there were nine vocal and instrumental soloists given the highly superior rating. Soloists with no. 1 rating were Jackie Brown, girls high voice; Nancy Messenger, girls medium voice; Polly Lashbrook, girls low voice; Mary Hallman, piano; Ruth Ann Williamson, violin; Ruth Green, violin; Lois Rae Taylor, flute; Charles Chancey Jr.; french horn.

Those with superior ratings were Marilyn Mark' am, piano; Betty Ann Cole, girls high voice; Royce Carney, boys high voice; and Bill Brumbaugh, boys medium voice.

Organizations with no.1 ratings included girls double trio, quartet, violin and viola duet, senior high band, and string quartet.

Groups with superiors included: girls trio, orchestra, trumpet trio, and brass quartet.

#### Midland Features Dramatic Picture

"Gonna" Take a Sentimental Journey". Yes, "Sentimental Journey" is the great drama that opens Sunday at the Midland.

In the starring roles, there are John Payne and Maureen O'Hara. It is the story of show people and their ability to "carry on". Connie Marshall portrays the little girl adopted by Mr. Payne and Miss O'Hara. Bill Bendix plays the ever faithful pal. The story concerns a husband who is very jealous of his wife. He can't stand having her pay any attention to anyone else but himself. It is a magnificent drama and everyone will enjoy it throughly,



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## Senior Boy Reviews Past

Looking back on high school days, or maybe "daze", is a lot of fun. We can laugh at the bewilderment we had when as sophomores the upperclassmen sent us to the third floor to find the library or something like that. We adjusted ourselves to high school and then sarted on what seemed to be a long three year grind, but now it seems as if we were just getting started.

A good man yof us have had the fun and sometimes the disappointment when we tried out for a play, an athletic team, or ran for some office All in all, though we have had fun along with the wrinkles which we put in our brains.

We should be grateful for the opportunity we have had as we have prepared for the final school the - school of life and experience.

# Girl Contributes Best Seller For Readers

tell you who it is about, nothing beautiful, nothing brilliant, nothing sweet, but it is about a little lass whom they named Lillian. She was a child of "two-de-two," when she said her first word "d\$!st-!!.

Was she a brilliant child you say? Now I wouldn't say that, in fact quite the opposite. Oh back to the

At the age of seven she was still the brainless wonder. She traveled from one slop can to another hunting food or any old scraps that might bring a penny to help her out. With the money she would save - or at least try to save she would put her name flying high in bright colored lights. "Leola the Slop Can Cleaner." Yes now you have guessed it, she wanted her name to go down in history. It did too — way down —.

On and on she grew, finally she out grew her dress so she took to jeans - they are boy's pants that girls buy. There went some of the money she saved.

Now it seemed to be that she would never get anywhere so she decided to settle down and quit roaming. She got her an apartment at a dog pound. Her duties were to get up at an early hour, feed the dogs and see that they were

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> Wait until next time dear readers and you will hear another exciting story about the girl with the trouble.

> When this story was originally written by Lillian Evans another name was used. But the staff thought since "Corkey" wrote it she wouldn't mind being the slop can cleaner" herself.

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## Cecil Perry, '40, Receives Discharge

After serving a total of three years and seven days in the United States Army with the Medical Division, Cecil Perry, T/5, finally received his discharge on March 23, 1946. Cecil served two years of his time in India.

Cecil is a former journalism student of PHS. He graduated from PHS in 1940. He entered the Army March 16, 1943.

He served in the United States eleven and one half months and then sailed to India. In India he was moved about often to various hospitals however he spent most of his time in Calcutta and Karachi.

Cecil said that the most extraordinary experience was the time he ran into Don Gray on the streets of Calcutta. Another interesting experience was that Mr. Frey, former journalism instructor of PHS, came home on the same boat with him.

Cecil plans to enter college as soon as possible an complete his training for a medicine degree.

#### School Boards Meet In Little Theater

Pittsburg Senior Highs' Little Theater was the scene of the Regional Meeting of the Kansas State Association of School Boards this past Wednesday, April 10.

The address of Welcome was given by Mr. Rex Crowley, President of Pittsburg-Board of Educa-

At the 10:00 morning program "School District Reorganization" was discussed by Mr. F.B. Ross of Emporia, author of the bill. Mr. James Barnes of Arma, Chairman of the Crawford County Reorganization Committee, served as chairman .

The afternoon session at 2:00 was devoted to "securing Adequate Finance For Kansas Schools." Members of this panel were, Mr. Andrew Johnson, Sedan, and Mr. L. H. Dunton, Arcadia, members of legislature; Mr. M. D. Frazier, Girard, and Mr. W. L. Mosher, Parsons, School Board members; and Mr. W. M. Ostenberg, Coffeyville, Suerintendent of Schools. Superintendent Small of Pittsburg acted as chairman for this pro-

## **Inter-National Relations Class Enters** National Americanism Essay Contest

subject of an essay contest the International Relations Classes are writing as a required project. This contest is sponsered by "The Kansas Legionette" magazine.

The essays are to be no more than 500 words in length. Department awards are First prize, \$2.50, second prize \$1.50, and third prize \$1.00, while the National award is \$100. The contestant submitting

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# 15 Boys Go To Fredonia Relays

As this is read Dragon track squad of 15 men will be competing against some of the best track talent in Kansas.

These boys traveled to Fredonia this morning where they are to compete with a group of boys including most of the tracksters from the S.E.K. league, a group of boys from the northern part of the state and possibly a team or two from the western half of Kansas.

So many teams will be represented that the only events which will be done in the afternoon are preliminary events. Anyone qualifying in the afternoon will run that night in the finals. This means that the fellows will really be tired because they have to run just as hard in the preliminaries as they do in the finals Boys who compete in several events Dragons To Meet will have an especially tough time of it.

An interesting inovation they are place of the javelin. Bob McVickers PHS sophomore, will represent the Dragons and he should go places.

## Red Faced Officials Pull Boner Of Year

At the state track meet in North Dakota last spring. a group of officals pulled a big boner. Checking on the 120 yard high hurdles time, officals found that the time was 14.1 seconds. This broke the records by a wide margins and officals began to wonder why.

They decided that there had been no wind to help, that the track was in proper condition and they also decidid that the fellows could not have broken this record by a margin of 1.2 seconds.

After measuring the distance between each hurdle and finding it to be ten yards, which is the proper distance, they were at a loss to why the record had been broken and decided that it would have to stand.

At this point another person entered the picture. It was just a poor spectator who came out of the stands to inform the officals that they had only nine hurdles set up which left the distance ten yards short and less one obstacles.

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## **Golf Team Enters Triangular Meet**

In the first round PHS golf matches, played this past week, Brumbaugh defeated Walker: Overman defeated Kennedy; Nifong defeated Max Lundquest; and Cooper took fewer strokes than Chancey.

The second round matches will be played this week. These will be Brumbaugh vs. Rondelli; Overman vs. Nifong; Cooper vs. Lamb; and match will play Rinehart.

ville Thursday for a triangular ing and hunting shoes. meet between Coffeyville, Bartleville, and Pittsburg.

The persons making the trip were qualified by the scores which they shot Wednesday evening after school.

# Classy Competition

Coach Jim Morey, the brains of starting is the football throw in the track squad, has announced plans to take the best men of the Fredonia Relay team, to the K.U. relays. Coach Morey wishes to take his best boys to the meet if their marks are good enough. only four or five boys at the most can be taken to this meet.

If none of the track squad is good enough for the KU affair, a meet will be arranged for next PHS. sophs show a lot of promise Thursday.

their next meet in the near future. gaining.

## Shoe Classed Most Useful

What is the athletes most important piece of equipment? After due consideration the conclusion has been reached that it is his shoes. Special shoes are made for almost every sport.

Every sporting goods store has it's largest investment in shoes with a stock that includes basketball shoes, football shoes, tennis shoes, golf shoes track shoes basethe winner of the Story-Elliott ball shoes, softball shoes, and horse shoes. Besides these a great many The golf team traveled to Coffey- stores carry several types of fish-

When buying equipment every athlete tries to get the best shoes possible. Even equipment offices in schools where boys participate have shoes for actual competition which are kept in the best of condition.

Boys pride themselves on their shoes and take better care of them than they do of any other equipment. Sporting stores always carry extra cleats, spikes, and other special repair parts for shoes

The next time you see any athletic event notice the shoes. Some of them will be new because the fellows want shoes which aren't too worn while some fellows will have favorite shoes which are old and

and will someday take advantage of Sophomores of PHS will have all the experience that they are

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## In This Corner

We like the way the Columbus school paper sports editor wrote up the first Columbus-Pittsburg basketball game. If you will remember, six Titans fouled out of the game. The Col umbus paper said that for the last two minutes the Titans had to play with only four men. Sounds very well but this scribbler didn't attempt to mention the fact that when only four men were left on the Columbus team, PHS coach, "Arkie" Hoff man promptly pulled Ray McDaniel out of the game and BOTH TEAMS PLAYED THE LAST TWO MINUTES WITH ONLY FOUR PLAYERS!

Two other Columbus "wonder boys" also predicted that the Dragons could not beat the Parsons Vikings in the tournament What do you say now boys? Not only did the Dragons trounce the Vikings, but the mighty Titans needed every bit of their luck to win from the Dragons in the finals of the tournament.

Dragon men are getting the full benefit of their gym periods. The boys are taking that hour every day to work out. This is helping them to catch up with athletes from other schools who have been out for several

Boys gym classes have been having basketball games with the twelve to foot baskets. It seems that the games are fairly even since no one has learned how to hit them yet.

We beleive that track will help the football and basketball teams of PHS. Track builds up speed, endurance, and in general makes fellows stronger. Under these conditions some new athletes may turn up next

With the track team being in Fredonia today, the gals of PHS had easy "pickins" when time came to catch their man. We do believe however that the girls could be in better condition. They didn't have to run very far before they were winded. Be prepared girls, Miss Messenger might pour on the calisthenics next week.

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