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Assembly Plans Complete For Next Four Weeks

"The assembly programs have been planned for the next month, Feb. 14, to March 14," stated Mr. Tewell chairman of the assembly committee.

The next assemblies Feb. 14 and 21, will be along the peppy line. They will be the Parsons Pep Assembly and Independence (Pep) Assembly.

Feb. 28, every student in PHS will have an opportunity to show off his vocal talents since an all school song assembly has been planned for that date.

The next program, March 6, will be the first exchange assembly held here. College High will furnish the program.

March 14, some of the local talent will perform. The debate class will have charge of the assembly program. "We certainly hope that the students enjoy the programs we have planned," stated Mr. Tewell.

Seniors To Order Announcements Soon

Seniors who have not yet ordered their announcements, are advised to do so over the week-end. The standard announcement for the class has been chosen, and it is important that seniors place their orders promptly, due to the fact that there has been quite a delay in the selection of this year's announcement.

The new Pitt-Craft Printing Company at 111 West 4th street is in charge of handling the announcements this year. Any Seniors wishing to do so, may also place their orders for name cards when they order their announcements.

Business Opportunity

Opens For Two PHS Dancing Pupils

From dancing pupil to instructor could well describe Jeannine Nixon, PHS sophomore and Ladene Meier, who graduated in '46.

These two girls have taken over the Moynihan Sisters Dancing School at 105½ East Fifth. When the Moynihan sisters decided to give up their school, their two ablest pupils took up where they left off.

Fifteen year old Jeannine started taking dancing from the Moynihan sisters at the age of two and has been following that profession since. Jeannine, when asked if she were planning on a dancing career answered, "I'm taking a general course in high school and I like Latin the best. But I would like to teach dancing or go on the stage - it all depends. I'd like to major in dramatics in college though I'd rather dance than eat - in fact I do when I'm teaching."

Ladene started dancing lessons at the age of three. She is now a freshman at KSTC majoring in Physical Education. "I love to be around children and giving dancing instruction gives me the opportunity to be," smiled Ladene. She says that she doesn't know whether she will teach dancing or Physical Education, but if she ever has the chance she would like to go on the stage. "It all depends what the future brings," said Ladene.

Seniors Get Class Jewelry, Pins-Rings

The long-awaited Senior Class Jewelry has arrived at last, and all of the seniors are proudly wearing their rings and pins around the halls of PHS.

Various types of the class rings were ordered this year, the all-gold ring, those with the ruby set, and those with the onyx set-all with the gold dragon mounting. Many Seniors ordered the class pins also. Figures show that over 100 Seniors have ordered class jewelry this year.

Definite Plans Help In Simplifying Work

Does following a plan help a person in work or study? This question was put forth recently before two of Miss Nelson's shorthand classes when some of the students didn't have all of their day's assignment.

In answering the question, some students went in to elaborate detail as to the course of study he or she takes.

The general opinion was that a basis to start on is most important. If a plan is followed, the work is easier, time passes by more quickly and the lessons are more apt to be finished on time.

Home Ec. Classes Finish Pastry Unit

Miss Gables second hour advanced Food Class have just completed a unit on Pastry. "I was very pleased at the way the girls pastry turned out," said Miss Gable.

For the next two or three weeks they made some very delicious pies, cakes, and rolls. I hope our next project on the cooking and serving of meat will turn out as well," said Miss Gable.

the class will study unit on meat. The girls will study the preparation, methods of cooking and serving meat.

Youth May Publish City Church Paper

Tentative plans are being made to publish a weekly Christian Youth newspaper in Pittsburg this summer.

All articles in the paper will be written entirely by the young people of any church willing to participate with the projects it is planned at the present, the paper will carry no advertising. It will depend entirely upon church and personal subscriptions for its financing.

Plans for publishing such a paper have been placed before the Pittsburg Ministerial Alliance, and has gained definite approval there.

All help and instructions for the paper will be in the hands of Mr. Cromer.

Forum Airs Views On Government Control

"Government Ownership, How Much?" Will be the topic discussed next Wednesday in the regular meeting of the Forum Club. This problem is confronting all nations as they plan for a permanent peace.

It was the basis of the national debate topic both last year and this, and still it is the nation's paramount problem.

Barbara Lehman will be the moderator with Dan Slavens and Mary Louise Gibson as speakers.

Doctor Gives Health Advice To Students

"There has been some scarlet fever and a little chicken pox, otherwise the state of health in Pittsburg is fine," stated Dr. O. B. Kiehl, city health officer.

"Since there are colds prevalent at this time of year, I would advise students to take care of themselves. Be careful not to get in rooms that are overheated, as well as not getting overheated yourself. Wear sensible clothes," he concluded.

Quiz Kids Sponsor Best Teacher Contest; Open To All School Folk

Perhaps one of these days one will see teachers bringing apples to their students. Don't get alarmed for there is a reason.

A nation-wide "Best Teacher" contest, sponsored by a group of eminent educators, with the help of the Quiz Kids program and station KOAM of Pittsburg, opened Feb. 2.

The only way teachers can be entered in the contest is on recommendation of their students. Any student may write a letter on the subject "The Teacher who has Helped Me Most." The teacher may be one who taught the student in the past, or at present. The only condition is that she or he must still be teaching. "The Best Teacher of 1947" wins a cash prize of \$2,500 for advanced study at any college or university. The three next best teachers win a cash award of \$500. The winning letter receives a cash prize of \$100, the second best wins \$50, the 100 winners are awarded \$10, and the next 500 letters are awarded \$1 each. Quiz Kids gold keys are awarded to each of the 602 prize winners-making them honorary Quiz Kids. The letters may be any length. The only qualification is that they

Wilma Suggs Wins Little Sis '47 Prize

Dolls, teddy bears, multi-flavored suckers, peppermint sticks, and big bright balloons, made the Big-Little Sister Y-Teen Party which was held in the Little Theatre this past Tuesday evening, a great success.

The halls of PHS rang with the chatter and laughter of the Little Sisters, as they were led by their newly identified big sisters to the party.

Bright Colors Prevail
The Little Sisters were dressed in the traditional manner in their bright little short skirts and dresses, half-way stockings, patent leather sandals, and big hair bows adorning their hair which was fixed in the style of pigtailed and long curls.

The party began with a grand march, in which all of the Big and Little Sisters had a chance to become better acquainted.

Prize Awarded
Various entertaining games were played, and then a contest was held to determine the best dressed Little Sister. After a great deal of consideration between the judges and the audience, Wilma Suggs was chosen "Little Sister of 1947," and presented with the grand prize of a big lollipop, and a candy bar.

The party ended with everyone singing songs and eating ice cream bars.

Practically Whole School Fingerprinted

A total of 468 students out an enrollment of over 500 took advantage of the opportunity to have a permanent identification record established by finger impressions.

As the last prints were taken, the first group was well on its way to Washington, DC where they will be classified and filed in the Civil Prints Division of the gigantic Fingerprints Department of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Possibly this project may be continued from year to year.

must clearly and honestly state how that teacher has helped the student. The writer must include his name, grade, age, and school plus the name of the teacher, and her or his school.

Letters should be addressed to the "Best Teacher Contest" either in care of station KOAM or to the Quiz Kids, Chicago, Illinois, not later than midnight, March 8, 1947.

Dr. Paul Witty, professor of education at Northwestern University, is head of the judging committee. He is assisted by Dr. Willard Olson, professor of education and psychology and director of Research in Child Development at the University of Michigan, and the Rev. Dr. Philip S. Moore, dean of the Graduate School at Notre Dame University. These three noted educators will read and judge the letters submitted.

Singing Valentines Appeal To Buyers

Corsages, Singing Valentines, and Cupidgrams to their "Little Sisters" - the Sophomore Girl Reserves.

Students were not the only one to receive "Cupidgrams" tokens of thoughtfulness, however, many of the teachers received Cupidgrams and Singing Valentines from various well-meaning, thoughtful students.

Cupid and his singing messengers have certainly had pleasing results in their work as Love Boosters this week.

Many interesting and humorous results have come about though the work of the Cupid Messengers.—Take for instance that Singing Valentine Don Macheers sent to Larry Douglas with a dime he had borrowed from LARRY to pay for it!

Then, there are also the bashful admirers who prefer to leave their love messages unsigned, or send them under pen names such as; Temptation, Adorable Me, and your O.A.O. (Any student wondering what this means - ask Mr. Nation.) Many of the Junior and Senior Girl Reserves sent

Yes, Cupid and his Booster messengers certainly received even more pleasing results than they had expected from their Valentine work during the past week.

Students May Make Money In Contest

Five, three, or one dollars may soon be jingling in the pockets of some fortunate PHS'ers. These are the cash prizes being awarded to the winners of the local Americanism Essay Contest.

The subject and title of the essay is "America's Contribution For A Permanent Peace." It should be no longer than 500 words. All pupils of junior or senior high school age are eligible to compete. The deadline in March 1, 1947.

Any student, wishing to compete in the contest, should write his essay and turn it in to the Journalism Room not later than March 1. The Journalists in turn will hand them over to Miss Rose Fultz, who is chairman of the local essay contest.

There will be a national award of \$100 given to the best essay in the United States.



Left to Right- Ladene Meier, Nancy Karns, and Jeannine Nixon.

THINK IT OVER

PHS Dance Band Would Add Greatly To Student Interest In School Dances

Low lights, couples dancing, everyone having a good time, sweet music—this can be noticed at most successful school dances. All the students are interested in making their dance a success—yet there is something lacking. The music is good, to be sure,—but the band is one that is more used to playing commercial engagements. Its members are older than students of high school age, and when an "outside" group plays for a high school dance, its members are keyed to the musical choices of older people.

Judging from recent surveys, there is enough musical talent in PHS to form a school dance band. If enough students were interested, such a group would certainly be welcome.

For such occasions at the Junior-Senior Prom and the Coronation Ball, this would greatly cut down the cost, besides giving worthy musicians a chance at some real experience in playing.

How about it, musicians?

National Brotherhood Week Should Bring Understanding To All Mankind

The coming week is American Brotherhood Week, a time for every American to consider seriously his personal relationship with those of another color or creed. Too often brotherhood is thought of as something remote, to be connected with people of foreign lands and tongues, when in reality it is not. Brotherhood must begin at home. A peaceful world is impossible unless everyone can get along with his next door neighbors—white, black, yellow or red; protestant, catholic or jew.

Citizens of the United States have a glorious heritage. The first settlers came to these shores that they might worship freely in the manner they chose. Later, other settlers came to America, the Land of Hope, that they might have an opportunity to work and own land, slowly gaining back the human dignity that totalitarian governments had stripped from them. All Americans are bound to one another as brothers in the common cause for life, liberty, and happiness.

This is the land where hate should die. No feuds of faith or race, no dark fears, should find a place beneath old Glory. He serves his country well who respects beliefs that are not his and realizes that the color of the skin does not affect the color of the soul.

BROTHERHOOD — PATTERN FOR PEACE! THE WHOLE WORLD IS LOOKING TO AMERICA TO FOLLOW HER EXAMPLE, AND AMERICA NEEDS BROTHERHOOD. WILL SHE HAVE IT? THAT QUESTION CAN BE ANSWERED ONLY WHEN ALL CITIZENS, WHATEVER THEIR RACE OR CREED, SHALL JOIN TOGETHER AND MAKE THEIR CHORUS A MIGHTY, "YES!", BUILDING WITH THAT ONE WORD A NEW WORLD OF BROTHERHOOD, PEACE, AND EQUALITY.

Carol Burke



To make quite certain in PHS
That not a person shall go a-
miss
The staff sends to each of you
Valentine greetings sincere
and true
The Staff



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Martha Gintzell

Proves Life Can Be Enjoyable

Not many could attend PHS long without coming in contact with the magnetic personality of this popular junior. Her gay laughter and 'snappy' comebacks may be heard anywhere in the high school but more often than not, one may find her near her second floor locker and usually in the company of a certain senior, namely Richard Davis.

Her name is Martha Jane Gintzell but she will answer to LB, pronounced as one word, ulb. As to how she acquired this unusual title, she laughed and said "It has a special meaning, but it's not for publication. My sophomore gym class gave it to me."

She is class officer

Martha Jane is vice president of the Junior Class and is also a member of the double trio and mixed chorus.

In addition to her executive and vocal talents, Martha Jane is an A student and a stand out in the field of dancing. Dancing has been the scene of many of her happier moments but also some of her most embarrassing ones too. Once while she was dancing in Chanute, she concentrated so hard on making graceful motions and charming smiles that she forgot her dance and had to walk off the stage. It happens even to the best of artists but imagine Martha Jane having to concentrate on smiling. She has a hobby too

Thirty-one Students Have Feb. Birthdays

Thirty-one PHSers have the a-methyst for a birth stone since they were born in the month of February.

Doris Williamson was born Feb. 4, the birthday of Mark Hopkins, one of the most distinguished educators of his generation. Charles Sholes celebrated his birthday Feb. 5. August Lefebvre's birthday is Feb. 6, the same as Aaron Burr.

Feb. 8, Boy Scout Day, Donna Kempster and Edna Zimmerman were born. The ninth president of the U.S., William Harry Harrison's birthday is the same as Carl Cobb's Feb. 9. Bill Thornberry and Jo Ann Alexander were born Feb. 11.

Feb. 12 is the birthday of Abraham Lincoln and Colleen Witt. Maybe Colleen will be the first lady to be president.

Bill Bennett's birthday is Feb. 13 and Gussie Rouse was born on St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. Feb. 15 Kathleen Morgan, Bill Neer and William Hawley have birthdays.

Feb. 16 seems to be the most popular day of February since Jeanette Berry, Arthur Halliday, Barbara Wintle, and Wayne Ralph claim this day.

Next week the students having birthdays from Feb. 16 to the end of the month will be discussed.

Jackie Brown Comments On Book, "Miracle of the Bells"

Bonnie Scullen

"The Miracle of the Bells" by Russell Janney is one of the best books I have ever

Fairy Godmother Creates Dream Man

...Ever wish for a magic wand to turn a perfectly normal boy into super specimen? Every one has his best qualities but if they ever got assembled into one boy, it would be dynamite! How about trying for:

Physique - TED HOFFMAN

Eyes - NICK LATTY

Teeth - ED GRANDLE

Complexion - GEORGE FORD

Posture - BILL THORNBERRY

Hair - RICHARD DAVIS

Appearance - DAN SLAVENS

Clothes - TONY PISTOTNIC

Voice - MARVIN GILBREATH

Cute - BOB LONGSTAFF

Peppy - JERRY DAVIDSON

Personality - JACK BROWN

Dimples - JACK SHELLY

Athlete - DON MACHEERS

Wit - BILL RINEHART

Casanova - LOREN PHELPS

Handsome - MELVIN WILBERT

Swell - RONALD DEEMS

Smile - RAY BELL

Nice - JACK VERCOLIO

Reds And Yellows Are Popular Colors In Fashion Pace Of PHS

It seems that the boys are setting the Fashion pace this week.

No; one doesn't have to look twice, to see spots, or squint his eyes as Mr. Nation did when he saw BILL BENNETT'S new shirt. It is a bright melon red with black figurettes of cowboys, horses and ranch scenes. It's really a "knock-out."

One has two look twice to see if he can see BUDDY HAMMS' head sticking out of that black turtle neck sweater that he is sporting.

Speaking of turtle neck sweaters, MOLLY JO WOODS is seen in a green one with a white neck.

LAWRENCE WILLARD has a bright red sweater with white skiing silhouettes in the fore-

ground. JEANNINE NIXON also has an authentic sweater. It is green with two hearts on it. On one is the word "He," on the other "Me."

Some bright an unusual T-shirts are seen under LARRY DOUGLAS' purple sweater.

One of the latest plaid designs may be seen in MARY LOUISE COLVIN'S new dress.

A late model sweater is being sported by HARRIET HILBOLDT. It is pink with navy blue designs on it. It is on the order of an Eisenhower battle jacket.

The Booster's present editor, MARILYN MARKHAM has a new scarf with symbols representing the various nations in the U.N.

The faculty too are wearing the latest of styles. COACH MOREY and MR. NATION have been seen going through the halls in their flashy plaid shirts.

MISS LANEY and MISS NELSON look very trim in their tailored suits.

Red and yellow are just about the most popular colors in PHS. These colors are represented on almost every article of clothing except trousers. Who knows, maybe they too will soon be seen in the halls.

More Alphas Than Omegas in PHS

Only twenty students of PHS are A students! Perhaps readers wonder just what the A means. The Alpha Omega of PHS means the names that start with A and the names that start with Z—the first and last letters of the alphabet.

Out of twenty A's three of them are Abingtons, two Alexanders, and three Andersons, other A's are Adams, Aikens, Algers, Alden, Alex, Allen, Allmon, Angwin, Armstrong, Arthur, Ash and Atkinson. Gosh: one would think that more kids would want to be an A Student but then probably B's and C's are just as popular!

Z is just about as unpopular as F's. The reason probably being that it is difficult to make. Only three students make up the Omega of PHS. They are: Ella Zehr, Edna Zimmerman, and Eugene Zimmerman. Notice! their first names all begin with E.



ial stars are Ingrid Bergman and Gregory Peck.

As her ambition, Martha says she wants to get married if somebody will have her. Big joke! Her phone number is 1553 but don't crush boy! Richard is already there and he probably won't open the door. Pun, pun!!!

"Jimmy crickets, it's almost time for the bell. I gotta dash!" And with that she left, but one could not help but feel warped by that parting smile which she is especially famous for.

read," said Jacqueline Brown, senior girl.

"This joyous novel is about the four days and nights when the church bell rang in a small Pennsylvania town.

"The plot of the book is about the devotion of a press agent to a young movie actress. The actress was born in the Pennsylvania coal town and contracted tuberculosis while still young.

"The press agent helped her get a start in show business and saw her frequently through the coming years.

"After making her first successful picture, she died. The press agent had a large, expensive funeral for her with all the celebrities there," continued Jackie.

"Then he had the church bells rung for four days and nights," said Jackie.

"I think everyone would enjoy this book because it sweeps the reader into a delightful experience all too infrequent in modern fiction," concluded Jackie.

IT'S A PITY

By Kitty

"Put on your purple bonnet With the white ribbons on it Come out and see the Dragons play tonight!"

The Dragons have had all too few Friday home games this season. Tonight is one of the exceptions and it's a league game too. So come on kids, lets give the fellows their biggest cheering section this season and watch 'em send the Parsons Vikings sailing back home in defeat!

Peter Rabbit

It was reported that the speech classes are getting an abnormal amount of pleasure out of their story - telling course. Their special favorite is Peter Rabbit. The facial expressions that grace the mugs of RICHARD SLINKMAN, J. C. PICKENS, MYRLENE STEVENS, JO PARTIN, BILL BELEV, and RICHARD STOVER would run stiff competition in any 5 year old's story hour. Delayed childhood!!! But then most modern children's minds were probably filled with Buck Rogers, Tarzan and Superman at a time when fairy tales should have been told. You ought to read Winnie the Pooh kids it's rally something!!!

Reform School

JACKIE ROSS has turned into a reformed gum chewer every since Mr. Johnson made him his assistant stool pigeon. (John "alias the squealer" GRISHAM is the chief stool pigeon) Mr. Johnson has a clever little system in which he assigns a student to catch and report gum chewing in his classes. He put one over on chewing champ JACKIE ROSS when he assigned him the job. Now JACKIE can't decide whether to quit chewing gum and keep his "honor" job or return to his old habits. We wonder who's fooling who?

Correction Please

Last week we said that a certain MN must have had something to do with the moving of the KUBLER-MILLER meeting place. correction it was a certain S.S. Honest Skip

When PAT BRADY, CLARADA HURST, MARGARET ANN HURST and JEANNINE NIXON cut classes for the Iola game last Friday they really made a confession of it. The all sent Mr. Green a post card. Confession may help the guilty soul but it didn't help them Monday. Hope they had a good time cause it cost them a whole days unexcused admit.

Students Rate Teachers College As First Choice

According to a survey taken last fall, more than half of the PHS students have no college preference or are not planning to attend. There are more girls than boys, among those planning on attending, interested in getting a college education.

The ten most popular colleges are Kansas State Teachers College, Kansas University, Missouri University, Phillips University, Harvard, Kansas City Conservatory of Music, Baker University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Kansas State Agriculture College, and Chillicothe Business College. The greater per cent of the students plan to stay in Pittsburg and attend KSTC.

For the benefit of the seniors and others planning to attend college, a series of articles on these ten colleges telling of the tuition, requirements, and subjects offered will follow in succeeding issues of the Booster.

Wang Believes U. S. Students Are Favored

"Chinese youth think the American youth have an ideal situation to get an education," stated Mr. Tsi-Hsing Wang, general secretary of the Ken Ming YMCA in China, who spoke here recently.

"The American young folks have so many opportunities to get ahead. They have all kinds of vocational courses in school that the Chinese would like to take. These types of courses are so necessary for rebuilding China and making it more democratic," he continued.

Mr. Wang is making a tour of the United States in order to raise funds for the national YMCA of which China will get part. The idea is to form a world brotherhood.

"The conditions in China are very poor, but they are rapidly improving because the people are getting more education," smiled Tsi-Hsing. "One dollar in US money equals about \$3,500 in Chinese money."

Tsi-Hsing came to America four months ago and plans to return to his home in southeast China this summer. His home is at the end of the Burma Road, where the Flying Tigers operated at the beginning of the war.

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Shop Instructors Set For New Job



Mr. Sutton and Mr. Hankhammer pose by a boring bar in vocational shop.

"We both enjoy our work very much," chorused the two new vocational teachers of PHS, Mr. Hankhammer and Mr. Sutton.

Mr. Hankhammer attended College high in Pittsburg, and Mr. Sutton attended high school in Arma. Both are veterans and are attending KSTC.

Mr. Sutton teaches auto-mechanics first and second hours, and fifth and sixth hours. Machine Shop, also a two-hour class, is taught third and fourth by Mr. Hankhammer.

PHS's new instructors are shown here by a boring bar in the new vocational building.

Poll

Shows Majority Want Dance Band

"Are you in favor of having a high school dance band?" was the question several PHS students and teachers were asked this week. Their answers follow:

JOYCE MENCHETTI: I think it would be nice because it would give the kids a chance to have any kind of music they wanted. It would put more of an interest in the school dances.

BETTY ANN COLE: I think it would be wonderful.

MR. JOHNSON: I think it would be a swell idea. I've tried to get one started but didn't get any results. It seems.

The kids just aren't interested in MISS FINTAL: I think it would be very nice. The boys would get the practice and it would be less expensive. I think there should be two boys for each necessary instrument so they would all have a chance to dance.

ROBERTA EVANS I think it would be a grand idea.

MR. WHITE: It has been tried before and it didn't work out. The boys would rather dance.

JERRY DAVIDSON -Oh, that would be a wonderful idea. Then we could have more school dances. It would be swell.

MARGARET PLAGENS - I think it would be a wonderful idea. That would get more kids to come to the school dances.

MR. BARTEL - I think it would definitely be a WONDERFUL idea, strictly Boogie Woogie. OH BOY!!

MAURICE CHRYSLER - It would be a good idea if you could get the talented kids interested. The trouble is they all want to dance.

Youth Doesn't Like Teaching

Observing the current teacher shortage, a reporter interviewed a few students to find out if there were any prospective teachers in PHS. They were also asked why they were or were not interested in going into the teaching profession.

BOB HEDGECOCK- I don't think so. Teachers don't get paid enough.

DONNA KEMPTSTER- I don't particularly want to be a teacher. They don't get paid very well. There are advantages to it- they don't work in the summer time. GROVER ROYSTON- No- I don't have enough patience. They don't get paid enough either.

PATSY EPPERSON- Yes I don't like the way some teachers teach. I would like to develop my own methods.

AUGUST LEFEBVRE- No- after ten years of seeing what teachers have to put up with, I don't think I could stand it.

Old Booster Shows Activities Of Past

A Booster Reporter was able to obtain the following information from an old Booster dated May 8, 1925. It was published in form of a "Foolster." The paper is a keep sake of Stanley Simpson's mother. It was published when she was in high school.

Way back in 1925 the Purple Dragons lost their first football game in three years to Iola 2 to 0.

Folk Dancing was the main gym work for girls. They also got to swim once a week.

COURTESY

He: "See that substitute on the bench?"

"I think he's going to be our best man next year."

She: "Oh, darling! This is so sudden."

Mental Marvel Born In Lincoln's Town

"If you have trouble remembering your algebra just associate each problem with one simple word such as home or school," Mr. E. R. Bown, mental wizard, laughingly could remember figures, dates, and memory tricks in an assembly Friday, Feb. 7.

"I was born in Lincoln's home town, Springfield, Ill. I also attended school there and went to the University of Illinois later," he stated.

Jeannine Moffatt and Dan Martin assisted Mr. Bown in the assembly. Mr. Nation contributed some help to Mr. Bown. Elzie explained that any high school student could remember figures, dates and numbers by using his method. Bonnie Scullen and Loren Phelps proved his statement by their performance.

"I started this in the eight grade. I used to mystify my teachers and sometimes even confuse them so much they couldn't do anything," he smiled.

Friday assembly concluded Mr. Bown's tour at which time he plans to retire and settle down to a normal life.

Jack Thomas '46 Visits Friends At Alma Mater

Jack Thomas '46, now attending Kansas State College at Manhattan was visiting in PHS this past week.

He is majoring in Physical Education in college since it was one of his major interests in high school.

Jack was in many activities during high school. He was Senior Class President and a member of the Letterman's club. In the athletic field he played basketball, football and took part in track. He was also Sports Editor for the Booster last year.

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Dragons Ready For Tangle With Parsons Vikings

Coming down the stretch with 8 games to their credit, the PHS Dragons will attempt to add another scalp to their string when they tangle with the Parsons Vikings on the home court tonight at 8:00 p.m.

"The fellows are in good condition, and I'm sure we will give Parsons a good battle. However, as I've said before, anything can happen in a ball game," grinned Coach Bartel.

The starting lineup will probably be Marv White and Don Macheers at guard; Doug Story and John Gibson at forward; and Larry Douglas at center.

The West Junior High of Parsons at 7:00 for the preliminary game.

The "Little Dragons" will play

Woods-Oliver Keep Valentine Spirit In Library; Give Support to Dragons

Looking at the west bulletin board on the library one finds pictures of four Dragons, framed in red and white hearts, with the following limerick:

Roses are red,
Violets are blue
Dragons are tough
Vikings are too.

This idea is a "brain child" of the two librarians, Mr. Woods and Miss Oliver. Joan Hughes, photography student, showed Mr. Woods pictures of

Pittsburg

Rated Low In Crowd—Player Attitude

"Boo! Boo! - What's wrong with that crazy referee? That wasn't a foul and if it were it was on the other team!"

Such statements as these may be heard at almost every basketball game. Yes, one may always find that inconsiderate spectator, who usually has very little knowledge of rules of high school basketball, trying his best to arouse confusion among the students and players. Little does he realize, or care, what it may cost the school its sportsmanship rating.

Pittsburg Rates Well

Every year The Kansas High School Activities Journal prints a classified athletic rating of all of the high schools in Kansas. The ratings are based on the following factors: court conditions, condition of dressing rooms, attitude of

school officials, attitude of players and coach, and one of the most important factors, the attitude of the crowd.

All ratings are formulated from the decisions of the referees who have officiated at various high school games, and sent their results to the High School Activity Journal.

Crowd Attitude Poor

Last year, out of eight teams in the SEK League, Pittsburg rated tops in the attitude of school officials, condition of the court, and the condition of the dressing rooms. However in the rating of the attitude of the crowd, Pittsburg rated third lowest in the league on the attitude of the coach and the crowd.

Maybe this year Pittsburg spectators have finally learned that when they boo they are simply "biting off their noses to spite

their faces".

PHS was rated the lowest in the attitude of their players last year. However, one may readily observe by watching the boys play, that this problem has been mostly overcome.

The students of PHS should be complimented on the fine sports-



manship attitude they have exhibited during the basketball games this year. Booing has been decreased to "nil" during PHS games.

Come on Kids, let's keep up the "swell" work, and see PHS lead in sportsmanship in the SEK league this year!

Bowling

Originated In England-Holland

"I say my jolly good chap would thou liketh to journey down to London Town and play a game of jacks?" This statement was probably made by a young English thirteenth century.

Jacks or bowling has had its ups and downs in England and Scotland, as it was condemned by some monarchs and encouraged by others. Edward III, Richard II, and other kings banned the game because it interfered with archery, a sport which was the national pastime as well as the main method of warfare for the soldiery.

The word "bowles" first occurred in the edict of Henry VIII in 1511 who declared that the game could only be played by the public on Christmas day in the house of, and in the presence of, their employer and masters.

The term "alleys" came into use in the period of which saloon-keepers used any narrow alleyway near their business for the game as they could not afford greens.

Some of the famous bowlers of long ago where James I, Charles I, Sir Frances Drake and the entire Stuart family.

The game was introduced to America early in the seventeenth

New Netherlands Colony without a wooden or stone platform, whereon the worthy Dutch burghers might compete at KINGPINS or SKITTLES.

Hold First Match In 1840

The first record of an indoor match tells of a game played at York City on Jan. 1, 1840. About this time came the advent of in-



door green floored with baked the Knickerbocker Alleys in New York City and slate blocks followed clay as a flooring and finally wood was used.

There are two developments which have with the increased enthusiasm for bowling in the United States. One is the game "duck pins", a small edition of bowling where smaller balls and pins are used.

The other development is the revival of interest in the United States of "lawn bowls". This is the game out of which indoor bowling developed and which was played in America until the Revolutionary War when interest died out.



century and the Dutch are generally credited with it's being played in New Netherlands. In the early days there was scarcely a tavern in the

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By 'DOUG' STORY

Hail the Dragons! as the Dragon basketballers corralled the Iola Mustangs last Friday night at Iola, they bucketed 18 baskets in 47 attempts for the high average of 38 percent. LARRY DOUGLAS led the scoring parade with 16 points. Larry hit 7 baskets in 20 tries for 35 percent. But the best percentage went to the Dragons' deadeye forward MARVIN WHITE who was also runner-up in scoring. WHITE sank 6 baskets in 9 tries for an astounding 67 percent. The Dragons attempted 20 free throws and made 8 for 40 percent, which isn't so good.

Iola has a very fine playing floor although the floor is made of a composition material instead of wood as are most floors.

The game itself was under officiated with a lot of roughhouse tactics used around and under the basket. The officials called too few fouls in the first three quarters and the final period resulted in a hectic time for the players.

A hard fighting team is the Dragon.. and the foul column proved it. The Dragons have committed 161 fouls in 12 games. This is an average of 13 a game and that is quite high but on the other hand it throws good officiating. "Gabby Macheers leads the parade with 31 fouls, closely followed by JOHN "HOOT" GIBSON, how has 30. LARRY DOUGLAS comes next with 24, and TED HOFF is right on Larry's heels with 23. The Dragons opponents have excited the officials whistle 153 times for an average of 12 a game.

The fourth quarter is the one which stimulates the Dragon's scoring guns the most. They have scored a total of 130 points in the twelve fourth quarters they have played for an average of 10.83 points. Next in line is the third quarter with 116 points for the total and 9.66 points for an average. By a coincidence the Dragons have amassed a total of 108 in each of the first and second quarter for an average of 9 points. All this adds up to a total of 462 points and an average of 38 points per game, which is good for a high school quintet.

Free throwing is an art players must master but the Dragons haven't mastered it yet? LARRY DOUGLAS has attempted 47 free throws and made 21 for 44 percent. JOHN GIBSON comes next with 33 attempts and 17 have fallen through the hoop for 51 percent. The free throwing award goes to "GABBY" MACHEERS. He has swished 15 of his 25 attempts for 60 percent. RONALD BROWN is the only perfect free thrower on the squad. He has attempted 1 and he has made 1 for 100 percent.

The Dragon team has thrown 168 free throws in 12 games and 78 have gone through the basket for 46 percent. Our opponents have shot 194 and they have made 103 for 53 percent. As one can see the Dragons are going to have to make more of their free throws.

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