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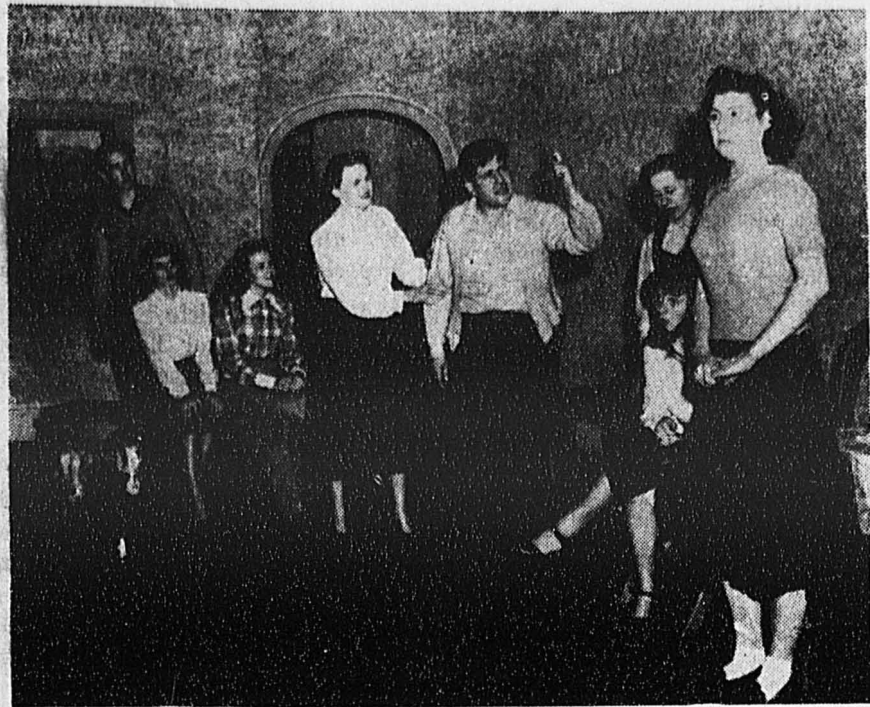
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Senior Cast Presents 'Dear Ruth'



"Dear Ruth", the Senior Class play, was presented last night before an appreciative capacity crowd in the senior high auditorium. The play will go on the stage again tonight at 7:45.

Telephones Need Girl Operators

"Number please?" coming from the telephone is as common as a green light to a motorist at a busy intersection. How many people know what goes on behind this friendly "go ahead" signal?

Girls who have a high school education have an opportunity for a well paying job as telephone operators.

"We refer girls who have nice dispositions, good grades, and an attractive appearance," said Miss Cole, chief operator at the local Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

Operators should be average in weight and height. Good health is imperative in this work.

"Previous training is not necessary," stated Miss Cole. "We would just as soon train our own girls, although we do receive girls who have been transferred here from other companies."

The starting salary is \$31 for an 8 hour day, 5 days a week. After the fourth month of work, the salary is raised to \$32. The top salary for a switchboard operator is \$43.

Beginners should expect to work the night shift since seniority rates the day shifts. Girls who work till midnight are sent home in a cab

Educators Attend Nat'l. Ed. Meeting

Several Pittsburg educators will attend a three-day sectional conference on education to be held in St. Louis beginning next Sunday and continuing until Tuesday. This meeting is being held by the National Education Association.

Persons attending will be Lowell A. Small, superintendent of schools; John L. England, principal of the high school; Cecil E. Smith, principal at Lakeside; and Blanche Smith, supervisor of elementary education.

IT WILL HAPPEN

Monday
Feb. 28 — Junior High Assembly at 10:00

Tuesday
March 1 — Chorus Festival at Fort Scott. Junior High Visual Education.

Wednesday
March 2 — Junior High Assembly, Dental Clinic

Thursday
March 3 — Y-Teen and Hi-Y

Friday
March 4 — Basketball game with Columbus, HERE. End of the fourth six weeks.

News Writers Enter National Contest

Twelve members of the journalism class have entered a creative writing contest this week sponsored by "Scholastic Magazines." These Scholastic Writing Awards have been called the "Pulitzer Prizes" of the high school world.

Members of the Booster Staff entering this contest are Pat Brady, Carole Wilson, Wilma June Rinehart, Patsy Epperson, Barbara King, Martha Boulware, Phyllis Nelson, Bill England, Clarence Dixon, Virginia Hindman, Billie June Smith, and Clarada Hurst.

All students from grades 7 through 12 enrolled in any school are eligible to submit entries. The entries must be original and cannot have been entered in any other national contest.

A group of distinguished writers have given their personal support to the writing awards. Judges will be outstanding authors, journalists and educators. Gold Achievement Keys and Certificates of Merit are the regional honors, while cash awards are given for the national honors.

Dentists Examine Everyone's Teeth

"The first day of the annual Dental Clinic for PHS was held last Wednesday in the clinic," stated Miss Margaret Woods, school nurse. "The clinic will be held two more days, March 2 and 16, for the senior high and junior high."

On March 9, the clinic will move to Lakeside Junior High School.

"A new plan has been introduced to the dental clinic," Miss Woods added. "This year student nurses from Mt. Carmel Hospital assisted the dentists during clinic hours."

Dr. C. A. Cheek and Dr. D. W. Cheek conducted the clinic on the first day. Different dentists will be used for each day the clinic is in operation.

How Many, Please?

Youth Finds Movie Employment Fun

Fourteen high school students have found part-time employment which is both fun and hard work. They are the cashiers, ticket takers, ushers and usherettes, and concession salesmen in the three Fox-Midwest Theaters in Pittsburg.

Their capable bosses are Mr. T. M. Steele, District Manager, and manager of the Cozy and Midland theaters, Mr. Cotto Menichetti, Mrs. Cotto Menichetti (Rose) assistant manager and secretary of the Midland theater and Mr. Richard Cottrell, who is assistant manager of the Cozy.

Many Work For Theaters

A total of twenty-three persons are employed by the theaters. The minimum age for employees is sixteen.

Only girls are cashiers. Marian Beaver, Joyce Menichetti, Eleanor Kyser, Jeanne Harris, and Billie Smith work in the glass booths in front of the shows. They dislike ticket-buyers who just toss their money at them. This job, though alert mind and friendly attitude not physically tiring, requires an at all times.

The jobs of ticket takers Harold Brown, Jack Ross and Bob Hull are not easy ones. "Everyone wants to see the show for nothing, especially girls," stated Harold.

They Keep Busy

Quelling minor disturbances,

Red Cross Opens Annual Fund Drive

"On March 2, the American Red Cross will open its annual fund drive," announced Mrs. John O'Rourke, Publicity Chairman of the Crawford County Fund Drive.

The money collected will be used to help needy families and to aid unfortunate people in times of disaster." Mrs. O'Rourke continued, "We would appreciate the help of every high school student in this drive."

Former Graduates Now KSTC Librarians

Shelving books, finding references, locating magazines, and making themselves useful in general are the activities of three former graduates of PHS who are working at the KSTC library. Charles Rinkle '45, Delores Ross, '48, and Patty Parmenter, '48, are attending to their duties as students assistants at the Porter library and enjoying the work.

All three find the work interesting and the library an entertaining place to spend their spare time and at a profit too. Patty Parmenter said, "I find the work a lot of fun and really an easy way to earn money in my spare time."

Trying to keep little Sally from putting her sticky fingers in all the books, trying to find the Lone Ranger for Jimmy, and find a reference question for another lady, is Joan Conrad, '48 graduate, who is working at the City Library.

Joan has been working at the City Library ever since graduation last year. She disapproves that old saying that libraries are boring by saying, "The hours pass fast and I hardly know that they are gone. I really enjoy my work and am learning things that will be of use to me in later life."

Music Students Attend Annual Choral Clinic

Choruses from other towns in the SEK League along with PHS Chorus members, will attend the first annual vocal clinic which will be held in Ft. Scott, Tuesday, March 1.

Arthur Hestwood, vocal instructor at Tulsa University and formerly a conductor with Fred Waring's Chorus, will perform at Ft. Scott as guest conductor.

There will be approximately 500 voices in the combined choir next Tuesday. In masse they will sing six choral numbers selected by Mr. Hestwood. Each town attending will present two numbers under the direction of their own conductors.

The PHS Chorus, under direction of M. O. Johnson, will present the two numbers; "There Is A Balm In Gilead," by Dawson and "Dark Water" by James.

Chorus members will leave PHS at 8:30 on Tuesday morning, spend the day rehearsing, present a concert, and return home around 10:30 P. M. The evening concert will begin at 7:30 in the Ft. Scott Memorial Auditorium.

Y-Teen Girls Sing Folk Songs Today

Singing of folk songs highlighted the weekly meeting of the Y-Teens this morning at activity period. Jakalene Clayton, music chairman, was in charge of the meeting.

Several new songs were introduced to the girls, and many old familiar songs were sung. Diane Walker accompanied the group on the piano.

The next meeting will be a cabinet meeting which will be held next Tuesday at activity period. The remainder of the Y-Teen girls will report to their home rooms at this time.

Students Offer Original Excuses

On reading through the check-out book in the office, one notices that students in PHS are in command of quite a number of excuses for leaving during school time, some pretty bad, most of them vague and unexplained.

Under "destination" four boys wrote simply one word after each name, "Coffee." Maybe they were up late the night before and needed something to keep them awake.

The briefest and vaguest excuses were the following two: One said "sick" and the other said "K. U." What more could one want?

The excuse that would take the prize for being the most mysterious is the one labeled merely "play solo." One that makes a person wonder is, "head hurts."

"Go to college." Now there's one that might make an office worker remark, "Hope it's a four-year course."

The ones that would take the prize for the most detailed report are the ones "had to fix tire" and "am going home sick."

Yes! New horizons in the world of excuses are being opened up by PHS students. One never can tell, perhaps the perfect excuse will come forth from these very halls.

TOSSER HONORED

Wanda Tosser has just been selected as representative from PHS to attend Girls State to be held in Lawrence, Kans., June 7-14.

A faculty committee made the appointment.

Consideration Will Affect Campus

Have students taken a good look at the PHS campus lately? If they have they will notice that it looks as if a herd of cattle had been trampling on it.

During all the recent rain and snow, the campus has not improved this situation at all. By this late date the campus is beginning to have that stamped out look.

PHS's campus is one of the prettiest in town in the summertime, and is really something to be proud of. But unless students keep on the walks, this summer will find the grounds little to be proud of.

Schools Do Need Government Aid

Should the federal government help the states and local communities to support their schools? This question should be decided by Congress soon.

Why can't the two sides agree? There are two facts involved upon which both sides agree. The states are not now equal in their ability to support their schools and fourteen of the states have more than one-third of the nation's young people but receive less than one-fourth of the nation's income.

If this bill is passed, 300 million dollars will be distributed among the states according to their needs.

Supporters of the federal aid bill say that in many states where education is lacking, health standards are low, and crime increases. The unwholesome effects caused by poor education spreads from one state to another. These weakening influences can become nation wide.

Federal aid will not lead to federal control of schools. The only requirement asked by the federal government is that the states spend as much money to take advantage of the federal aid, the whole purpose of the program would be defeated.

Those who oppose the bill say that although the Senate bill undertakes to avoid danger, federal aid will lead to federal control. If the people begin to rely on federal aid, they will call for more and more assistance. The government may agree to grant the money, but with certain strings attached. Centralized supervision of education is one of the greatest dangers of democracy. While educational program is moving slowly, it is a safer road than that of federal aid.

The opposition parties may be right in their statement of federal control developing, but roads are paved under federal control. What would be so dangerous by putting education under the federal government?

In time of war, the nation reaches in the far corners of the land to take young men to defend the country. Advantages in education should be given to all people on equal basis. During the recent war, 676,000 men were rejected from service because of educational and mental deficiencies. This is equivalent to 45 combat divisions.

Stitches

Girls Sew Clothes To Make Own 'Date Bait'

All attractive dresses, skirts, and blouses that are seen around PHS are not factory made. PHS girls make their clothes.

Billie June Smith and Jakalene Clanton made twin coco brown jumpers that look very attractive with long sleeve blouses.

Wilma Barber has made a tan chambray dress with a contrasting green and tan striped panel in the skirt and a portion of the sleeves.

At the Big and Little Sister party Joan Kubler wore a two piece royal blue dress with white collar

and cuffs.

Box suits seem to be in style. Mareta Knox made a gray wool box suit, and Pat Lewis constructed a green wide-whale corduroy box suit.

Sewing a garment correctly takes patience, work, and time. Congratulations go to girls who make their own clothes.

Jones has a lovely baby girl; The stork left her with a flutter
Jones named her Oleomargarine,
For he didn't have any but her.
Wyandotte High School
Kansas City, Kansas.

Nighthawks Visit Jayhawk Inn Girl Sleuths

Dear Mr. Cromer,

Here is our report from our assignment to ride in a night police patrol car. It turned out to be more exciting than we expected.

As the car pulled away from the curb, we tensed excitedly in our seats; not knowing when we might hear the staccato sound of a gangster tommy gun.

Officer McDaniels picked up the radio transmitter and said something that sounded like Spanish — in reality he was just checking with the station in code.

As we cruised along Broadway, several shady characters were seen slipping into the shadows on the side streets.

During the ride we questioned the officer about the police force.

"We aren't required to have special training," stated Officer McDaniels, "but we can certainly use a gun if it becomes necessary."

"Although," he continued laughing, "I don't suppose there will be much use for it tonight."

This statement was probably due to the frightened looks on our faces.

About 10:30 he parked the car and we walked to East 3rd to check the "business establishments."

As we walked in the smoke-filled Jayhawker Inn, we suddenly came face to face with the sign, "HOW OLD ARE YOU ???"

Ignoring it, we plunked our nickel on the bar and said, "Gimme a bag of peanuts, please." This statement attracted a few looks from the people in the booths.

While talking to the bartender we noticed a shot gun propped up on the back counter. When asked the purpose of the gun, the bartender answered in a tough voice, "I use it to persuade certain under-aged characters to leave."

P.S. We Left!

'Bye Now,
BILLIE and PAT



Students Favor Socialized Medicine

Since socialized medicine is one point of President Truman's program, the Booster thought it would be worth while to know what PHS students think about this proposal.

"What is it?" asked ROSE-MARIE LUCAS when asked if she favored the plan of socialized medicine for this country.

The plan is good, and I think it should work in this country," said JIM CHAMPION.

"I haven't thought about it, but it would be a good plan for the ones that can't afford medical care," remarked JOHN WARD.

KATHERINE LIGON said, "I think it is a good idea. Let the people that can afford it pay more so that people that can't pay so much can have medical attention. "I guess it's okay," stated PHIL-LIS LAWSON.

BOB BATH and ED KELLEY agreed that they didn't like the plan because they thought the doctors wouldn't take as much interest in their patients.

PAT MOUTHUY said, "I don't

like the plan, but it is the only way that will solve unequal medical situation."

JOAN GREEF and BETTY ANN LIPASEK said that they didn't like the idea of socialized medicine.

"Socialized medicine is the first step towards socialism," said ROSS KARNES.

Ligon Helps Out

Special thanks goes to Katherine Ligon for taking the part of Miriam in the Senior play while Jeannine Nixon was sick. Katherine worked hard at memorizing the lines so that if necessary she could step into the part. Jeannine has recovered, but thanks Katherine, anyway.

Boy Takes Over Date For Evening Girl Puts End To Future Dates

Rita Payton

It takes all kinds of people to make a world and many girls find this out, sometimes to our utter sorrow. Our first dates sometimes prove a complete failure after

weeks or days of anticipation. "Don't get so excited," said one of my best friends when she knew I was dying with excitement waiting for my week-end date with THE ONE, I thought.

He was my ideal; so gentle and agreeable, yeah, yeah!

The minute we left the house he asked me where I would like to go and I said, "To the dance, of course."

He replied, "So you want to go to the dance, huh? And then do you know what he said. "Well, I think we'll go to the show." It really didn't make much difference to me, as if I had much choice, so off we went to the show.

After the show we went to the drive-in, and he asked me what I wanted to eat. Since I wasn't hungry, I said, "Nothing" to which he promptly retorted, "Good! I'm hungry, too," so he ordered us a dinner big enough to choke a cow.

Being thoroughly stuffed, to put it mildly, we left for home and since he had a car I didn't have to give an opinion on how I'd like to get there.

When we reached the door, he asked me if he could see me the following Friday. I heartily replied that I would be busy. He left with the following words, "I'll pick you up about eight. I hate to be kept waiting."

WHAT'S A GIRL GOING TO DO? IT'S A LOSING FIGHT.

Action

Girls Could Help Redecorate Lounge

The project recently undertaken by the Booster staff, that of refurbishing the girl's lounge on the second floor has begun to bear fruit.

Several school organizations are now considering helping with the project. Mean while the Booster was able to get a few comments by girls themselves.

The question asked: "Do you think that something should be done about the girl's lounge, and if so would you be willing to help?"

Girls Willing To Help
Joyce Menchetti: "Put me down first on the list, I would certainly be glad to help in any way I could."

Katherine Ligon: "After three years I think it is about time something was done, however it doesn't seem that the Senior girls should be expected to do it all, but if that's what it takes, I'd be willing to help."

Barbara Rasmic, Iris Patton, and Joan Uttley believe that the lounge should be re-decorated and signi-

fied their willingness to help. Marie Gates: "I think something ought to be done to make it nicer, and after something is done the girls should keep it that way. I am willing to help if I am needed."

A senior girl who didn't wish to be quoted said: "Considering the time lots of girls spend in the girls lounge, something should be done to make it a little more livable."

Seniors Could Help
A number of girls suggested that the redecoration of the lounge be made a Senior project, that is that the Senior class undertake



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Ruby Rides Again; Horse is Heavy

Survey Uncovers Student Hobbies

Cactus, cups, and saucers, and snakes are all cherished possessions of PHS students. If a hobby show were held, many fascinating articles could be exhibited.

A recent Booster survey revealed that collecting things is the favorite hobby of the boys and girls of this school. The objects garnered by the avid collectors are as diverse as shoe buttons and elephants.

Letty Collects Cups

Letty Lemon collects dainty demi-tasse cups.

Verlin Kreis has a more unique hooby. He collects reptiles. As yet Verlin has not disclosed just what kind of reptiles he prefers, although in this sector snakes outnumber the alligators and crocodiles in popularity. Also, he has not stated whether he takes them dead or alive.

Many boys build model planes. Others even build furniture. One boy, Tex Scholes, writes songs. Perhaps Tex could be persuaded to "render" one of his own compositions in assembly.

Boys Like Animals

Sam Cox is another boy interested in the animal field. Sam's rather unusual hobby is taxidermy.

A prickly pastime engaged in by Billie Pennington is collecting cactus plants.

These various hobbies and collections would prove interesting to person other than their owners if they would show them in the display case by the office.

Booster To Furnish College Information

Soon, that old school bell will ring for the last time in PHS, for seniors, that is.

The Booster has decided to put out a special insert, March 18, featuring stories on different colleges. The articles will include information from KSTC to West Point. The Booster thought that if students knew more about the different colleges and universities, it would help them to choose their future school more intelligently.

If any student would like a story on some particular college, he should come to the Journalism room sometimes next week, and leave the name of his favorite college.

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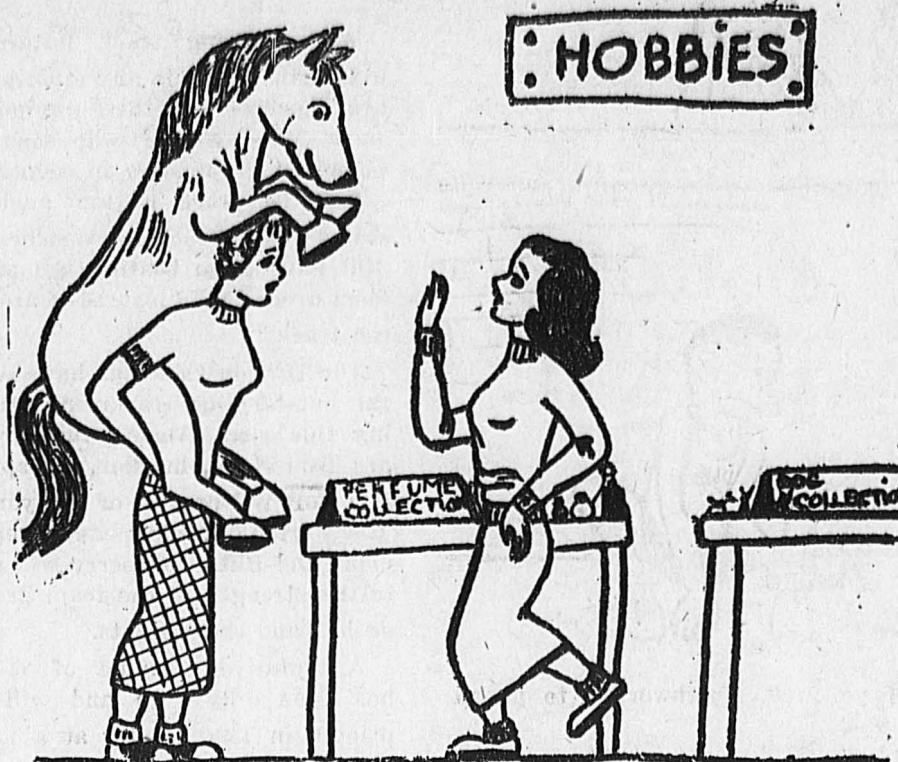
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Teachers Supervise Many Activities

This is the second and concluding article concerning outside activities of P.H.S. teachers

Miss Bailey, algebra and geometry teach, enrolls the Sophomores and is a sponsor for Y-Teens.

Besides teaching Biology, Mr. Huffman, is in charge of the Junior Academy of Science. He is also on the School Finance Committee and acts as a swim judge.

Mr. Nation, teaches social science and enrolls seniors. He is also the high school building representative for the city teachers association.

The teacher who supervises the class plays, announces at the game, acts as a debate coach, and helps to plan assemblies, is Mr. Tewell, teacher in Speech, Dramatics, and Debate.

Among Mr. Cromer's various activities, besides teaching classes in Journalism and World Problems, are swimming judge, assembly committee chairman, and super-

visor of the Booster and its school service projects.

Mr. John White, vocational printing, and Miss Laney, Spanish and Latin teachers, are the Senior Class sponsors. They both have charge of the Senior Banquet and Prom and all other senior activities. Mr. White also helps with the Purple and White and directs the printing of The Booster.

Mr. Morey, supervisor of the Library, has charge of the boy's swimming team. He is the Infantile Paralysis Benefit Chairman, a member of the Finance Committee, and the director of the Regional Basketball Tournament. Both Mr. Morey and Mr. Rohde, instructor in Physical Education and Football, are also members of the Athletic committee.

All the men teachers serve during the year as ticket takers and sellers at athletic events.

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Clocks, Master of Men's Lives

For several centuries men have mapped their daily lives by clocks. They have risen and they have retired by the tick-tock of this small but important instrument known as the clock.

What man is there alive that has not tried to fix the kitchen or some other equally important clock up with the result being a mixture of springs and wheels which resembled nothing ever seen before. One man claimed that he fixed the coo coo clock, and when he was through the coo coo bird came out backwards and asked what time it was. **Sun Dials Were Clocks**

Yes! Clocks have come a long way since the earliest ones. The first clocks were those of the sun dial variety; however, there were also candle and water clocks in the cathedral at Pisa.

One day long ago, Galileo became fascinated as he watched a lamp high over head swing back and forth under the cathedral's roof. The idea came to him that no matter how long or what width of swoop the lamp swung, it always kept perfect rhythm. And yet, he did not see to what use this idea could be carried.

Only once did Galileo use the principle of the pendulum and that was to time a man's pulse. It was the principal of pendulum that made modern clocks possible.

Watch Placed In A Pearl

Today the accent in watches is

Tock

on brevity. Yes, a watch was once made out of pearl and when the pearl was opened, a small clock with a beautiful face was revealed.

While that watch was the essence of smallness, timepieces in the earlier part of the century were made large in order to give more people an opportunity to tell the time by seeing the dial.

Sun dials and time candles were some of the most important timing instruments of long-ago, but today one can buy any kind of watch or dial he wants in any shape, size, or form for a price within the reach of millions.

English Students Study Vocabulary

Sophomore English classes, taught by Miss Sara Stephens, are studying words and their meanings this week. Junior English classes also under the tutelage of Miss Stephens are studying the personal essay.

Occupations classes have just completed a number of personal inventories, which are tests on individual ability and personality. At present they are giving miscellaneous class reports from current periodicals.

Mrs. Ruth Lewis, instructor for the course will give a series of lectures on personality preparatory to a detail study of personality development.

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Millermen Try For Win Over Bulldogs Tonight

Hoping to turn in another League victory, the Pittsburg Purple Dragons will travel to Independence tonight. Tuesday night the Dragons defeated the Bulldogs 54-40.

Throughout the entire season, Independence has been right with the Dragons in League standing. Then last Friday night in an upset, the Bulldogs were defeated by Ft. Scott.

Though the Dragons were victorious over the Bulldogs on the Dragon court, it may be a different story tonight if the Independence team can be a little more accurate on their shots from the floor.

The "B" game will probably be a tussle with the young Dragons out seeking revenge.

Probable starters for the Dragons are Patterson, Williams, Menchetti, Strawn, and Prince.

PHS Purple Dragons Tromp Independence

Coach Dick Miller's purple dragons turned on the steam Tuesday night and beat the Independence Bulldogs 54-40. The Dragons were able to gain a 12 point lead in the first quarter and were able to hold this lead at about the same point throughout the game.

All the Dragon team played a fine game with John Strawn turning in his most outstanding game of the season. John played a remarkable floor game and also was high scorer with his 8 field goals for 16 points. Prince made 12, Williams, 9, Patterson 8, and Menchetti 7.

In the "B" game the junior locals lost by a score of 41-27. In the way of high scoring six boys tied for high point honors. Glick, Nicholson, Bell, Peters, Campbell, and Webb all made 4 points.

Knowledge of State Swimming Records Help Sport Fans

When sports fans attend PHS swimming meet, all too often they don't know whether or not the time made is good or not. In order to let the fans know actually just what the state records for the different events are the BOOSTER has turned to the Kansas State Activities Association Journal for the state records.

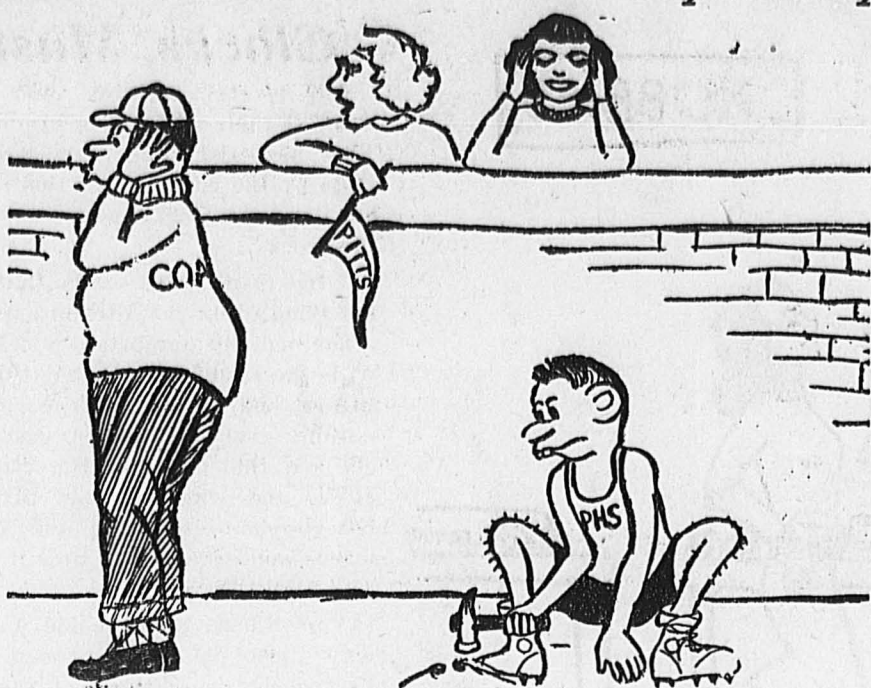
According to the 48-49 Journal the records for Kansas follow:
40-yard free style—Time 19.7 won by Kalousek.....1940
100-yard breast stroke—Time 1:07.1 Mapes of Wyandotte-1947
220-yard free style—Time 2:28.2—Weaver of Concordia-1942
100-yard back stroke—Time 1:06.4—Heydt of Wichita Fink of Wichita East.....1942
100-yard free style—Time 57.4 Fink of Wichita East.....1942
180-yard medly relay—Time 1:50.5—Wichita East 1942
160-yard free style relay—Time 1:22.1—Wichita.....1940

Thus far none of the Dragon swimmers have come close to making a record but some of the teams that the swimmers have met will undoubtedly come close to breaking some of these records at the state meet.

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By Brady



But Coach, I distinctly heard you tell Merthworton to pound those cinders.

Track Has Logical Start

According to sport reference books, track had a strange but logical beginning.

Early man did not practice the

art of running and throwing just for fun; in many instances, it meant the difference between life and death. The wild animals hunted man either for food, or merely to destroy him, and the fleetfooted escaped while the slower were destroyed.

Encouraging their children to be as fleetfooted as possible, men arranged for races between their youngsters, thus breaking the monotony of running by themselves; thus was the birth of competitive running.

Man started to resent being pursued by animals after he found he could outrun them, so he began youngsters, thus breaking the stones with the whole family and neighborhood participating with him. In that way, throwing was initiated as competitive sport.

Thus began competitive track and field events which thousands of athletes take part in each year, and thousand of other people consider as a spectator sport.

Morey, Cline Head District Cage Tourney

"Final plans are being made for the District Regional 'AA' and 'B' Basketball Tournament to be held on the P. H. S. court March 9, 10, 11, 12," stated Tournament Chairman, Principal, John L. England. "Jim Morey has been appointed tournament manager with Elton W. Cline as his assistant," continued Mr. England.

Chetopa, McCune, and Pleasanton seem to be the strong bidders among the 'B' class at the present time. The 'AA' race will probably be between the purple and white squad of Pittsburg, the Vikings of Parsons, the Columbus Titans, and the red and white netmen from Ft. Scott.

Trackmen Begin Seasonal Practice

All returning track lettermen, not participating in any other sport are checking out their equipment next Monday and will soon be pounding the cinders in earnest.

"If the track is too muddy," stated Track Coach Joe Winchester, "I'll have them beating the pavement around PHS instead of around the track."

The Dragon thinclads have several outstanding trackmen returning this year. Among this group are Tom Hook, hurdler and sprinter; BoB Wilson, 880 or 440 yards; Ray Tripp, hurdler and weight man; and Bill Thornberry will add to the strength of the team in the dashes and the weights.

A tentative schedule of meets has been drawn up and will be printed in The Booster at a later date.

SEK Schools To Play Two More Games

With only two league games remaining for most of the SEK schools the league standings look something like this

	W	L
Iola	10	2
Parsons	8	3
Coffeyville	8	3
Pittsburg	7	5
Independence	6	6
Ft. Scott	4	7
Columbus	3	8
Chanute	1	9

F'inale Local Tankman Lose To Topeka

Having dropped their last swim match of the season yesterday to the strong Topeka Trojan squad at the Washburn University pool, the PHS tankmen will hang up their suits to dry until next season.

Don Baert turned in a fine performance in the breast stroke winning a second place and nosed out a first place.

Clayton Walker is another boy who lost a close decision in this race, the back stroke.

Don Stahl with much improved form on his diving took a second place in that event.

The closest race of the meet was the 160 free style relay event in which the two teams finished almost simultaneously.

Although the swim team didn't win any meets this year, the boys worked hard and next year they should have a much better team.

"After the regional basketball tournament started Coach Jim Morey, 'I'm planning on having the boys who will be back next year to work out every Tuesday and Thursday, and I would like to invite any under class man who is interested in competitive swimming to come out and practice with us.'"

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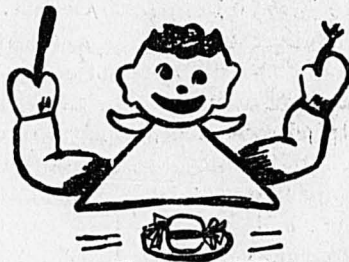
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