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Debate Team Makes State Semi-Finals

The students of State High mourn the loss of one of their companions, James Broholm, Jr., who died on February 27, 1944. Jim was born on August 30, 1926 in Chicago and moved to Oshtemo when about nine years of age. He entered State High as a freshman in 1940. In this year he was active in the Dance Club and was elected vice-president of his homeroom.

He was active in 4H work also; one of his hobbies was stamp collecting. Jim was always interested in sports, but a weak heart prevented him from participating actively in any of them.

All through his high school years he had planned on a career in the business world. Jim was a popular member of the Senior class and was well-liked by all of his classmates.

Monitors Honored

To honor the monitors, the Student Council will give the monitor luncheon on Thursday, March 16, at 12 o'clock, in the First Presbyterian Church House. Invitations have been sent to the monitors, council members of both semesters and some members of the faculty.

The chairman and toastmaster will be Bill Watson, president of the council, and the co-chairman will be June Albertson, secretary of the council. Dr. Roy C. Bryan and Dr. Paul Sargren will speak, and short talks will be given by Donald Griffith, president of the monitor homeroom, Bill Watson, June Albertson, and Karl Hokenmaier, vice-president of the council. These talks will be based upon well-known quotations.

Green and white in honor of St. Patrick's Day will furnish the color theme of the decorations.

The committees are: Decorations, Phyllis Smith, June Albertson, Bill Watson, Bill Lee; invitations, Mary Lou Harvey and Carolyn Mitchell; program, Mr. George Mills, Miss Pearl Ford, Secretary of the council, June Albertson, and Karl Hokenmaier.

School Places Fifth

The incomplete returns of the amount of War Bonds sold in schools during the Fourth War Loan Drive last month found State High fifth in line. It was first with $47,045; Woodward was second with $47,045; third was Central with $46,217.30; Washington raised $37,550.00 and State High was fifth with $21,204.90. There were 26 schools listed which followed State High.

Art Students Win Awards

Several State High students won National Scholastic Art awards in the Michigan regional exhibit held in Detroit recently. Alison Clark, Gisela Kock, Phyllis Smith, Linden Griffin, and Emily Frey are to be given achievement keys in recognition of their work. Also, Maria Frey, James Powell, Sally Benton, Barry De Lano and Lona Brown received honorable mention.

The pictures were exhibited in order to select water paintings for the national showing which is to be held in Pittsburgh some time in April or May.

Additional credit was given to Phyllis Smith for her picture, "Boy and His Dog," which appeared in the Detroit Free Press in March 5.

Calendar

March 16—Monitor Luncheon.
March 31—Student Dance.
April 28-29—Spring Play.
April 10—Marks for third period.

It is rumored Central will present a program of Band Follies March 21.
State Highlights

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Congratulations!

"That's Bill Perrin, the star center of the basketball team" or "That's the captain of the football team" are common phrases in the halls of State High because these fellows are school news. They are big stuff; everyone knows the star athletes of a school. But, by the same token, how many times is it that you hear in the halls, "There's the girl who sang the lead in the operetta?" These people are also important to the school. They, also, spend a lot of their time in preparing and perfecting their specialty in school activities. These people also deserve recognition for their good work for the good and the name of State High.

How many students realize that our debaters, Bill Shumaker and Don Griffith on the affirmative, and Bill Gilbert and Paula Harrington on the negative, have gone as far as the semi-finals in the State Debate Tournament and have a good chance of winning the State Championship? How many of us realize that this year's debating team, coached by Mr. George Mills, has added another trophy to the collection in the hall trophy case, by winning the regional championship? Our debate team is the best team in this part of the state and possibly in the whole state.

Another organization in our school which needs and merits recognition is the choir for their presentation of their annual operetta, "Iolanthe." Many of State High's students spent long hours to make ready for presentation this affair and along with their director, Mrs. Leoti Britton, deserve our thanks and appreciation.

The students of State High say to all of these fellow students who have given so generously of their time for the school's extracurricular work, "Congratulations!"

Ideal Junior Boy and Girl Poll

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A count was recently made of senior boys who enlisted in one of the armed forces or reserves. The results are as follows:

- Army Air Corps—Jerry McKinney, Bill Lee, Stanley Chase, Jack Young, Mark Thompson, Bill Watson, Bill Miller.

- Navy Air Corps—Bill Perrin, Al Hilliard, John Skoubs, and Dick Du Mouchel.

Edward Campbell enlisted in the A-12 (classified 1-A) and Ronald Sherman is in the CAP. Karl Hokenmaier and Howard Hobbs have been drafted into the U. S. Navy.

Any other boys who have joined the services are requested to inform the Highlights staff.

Another announcement which has come through the office is that on March 16, A-12 and V-12 tests will be given for qualified seventeen-year-old fellows who graduate in June.

P.F.C. Blaine Rabbers was home recently. Blaine is at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee, at the moment in the ASTP unit there. Also in an ASTP unit is P. F. C. Douglas R. DeYoung who is stationed at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

"All possible efforts have failed to locate your son, officially reported missing in action February 16, 1943, while on an operational flight in the European area." This was part of the message received by Mrs. Henry McGinnis from the adjutant general's office concerning her son, Staff Sgt. Donald C. McGinnis, a member of the State High graduating class of '39. We wish to express the sympathy of the student body of State High. Sgt. McGinnis was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster and the Air Medal for his service engaged in five bomber combat missions over enemy-occupied continental Europe.

News has recently come in on the military progress of Pvt. Lloyd Meadows. Lloyd's first stop was Fort Sheridan in Illinois; from there he was sent to Miami Beach for basic training and then to teletype school at Camp Crowder, Missouri. He is now in the second platoon, Company B, Regis College, Denver, Colorado.

Grads Receive Honors

Marian Stillwell, a 1940 graduate of State High, recently received the highest honors of her class at Western Michigan College. Hilda Flaitz, also a 1940 graduate from State High, has graduated Cum Laude from Radcliff College. Both of the girls received high honors and were members of the National Honor Society while in high school.
Cubs Down Coldwater; Bow To Sturgis

Cubette News

Bulletins from the girls’ locker room are gathering in intensity and interest. So the Cubette News springs forth once more (regardless of the pearls of wisdom on the subject which may proceed this column entitled “What Say”)

One thing the school has been anxiously awaiting is the outcome of the basketball tournament. Here are the scores so far: In the Monday-Wednesday class, Team 1, captain Adele Kuempie, won the championship, with Team 5, captain, Ruth Morton, winners of the consolation prize. Returns to date in the Monday-Thursday class show that teams one and two are tied in the race for championship. Judy Ogden is captain of Team One and Pat Kyser of Team Two. In the Tuesday-Thursday class — Team Three, Nancy Kessler, captain, came in on top in the championship race.

Another item of intense interest is the way the girls have been walking lately. Have you noticed any covert limps and obviously stiff muscles? The girls have taken up calisthenics, marching and drill, and closely resemble a section of trained Rockettes, and the way they do their pushups, why, it’s nothing less than professional! The track audience will undoubtedly increase tremendously when the word gets around about what’s going on down there.

MARTHA DE LANO.

Basketball is over and there’s not must sense in rehearsing it. Boys did a good job, considering everything. Returning next year from this team are three regulars, Harold Upjohn, Jim Raiston, and David Auxter. Also there will be three subs, Dick Barnes, Dave Ritsema, and Corny Vander Weele.

Track is starting up now and according to Coach Quiring there are pretty good prospects for this year. Right now there is a crying need for distance men, particularly. The state meet will be revived again this year and the coach has hopes of placing a few men in the top ten.

We want to congratulate the Hockey league on its fine performance this year. There were many thrilling matches.

1st Lt. Frank Noble, AAF, now stationed at Fort Logan, Colorado, returned for a visit two weeks ago. He said he thought everything looked just about the same as when he had left it, even to the group of boys near the windows shooting the well-known barnyard beast, the bull.

Norm Rabbers, all city end of last year, have to be filled with green material.

Here is something new for What Say: Sport Quiz of the Week — Name Five sports (not counting pitch play) which do not require the use of some kind of a ball.
Ode to March Seventeenth

By BILL SHUMAKER

T'was in a gayer day of yore,
When unto Erin's emerald shore
Came good Mr. Frank Sinatra Householder,
With staff so bright
And drove away both serpent and wrong.
And in this land so fresh and green
Again no snakes are ever seen.
By the grace of God they were driven away;
Twas in Saint Patrick's glorious day.
Oh, that a saint would come once more
And drive from our world both strife and war,
Destroy the serpents that breed the fight,
And restore us to favor in our Maker's sight.

Galley Yarns

THEME SONGS

The Klein twins—"Take It Easy."
Lorraine and "Klep"—"We Go Well Together."

It sounds like quite a houseparty out at Oshkomo after the Turnabout. Nice thing about the country — no neighbors close by!

Joanie Winkelman — "Taint No Good."
Jim Mateer — "I Said No."

Who does that snazzy convertible belong to that Marilyn Whaley has been seen in so much?

Mary Jane McCarthy — One cute little number worth noticing.

Ida Schuhardt — "I've Had This Feeling Before."
Pat Herr — "Jim."

Cute couple — Peg Elliott and Phil Leland.

Watch it, girls! The 21st is coming up and that means cotton dresses! P.S. You'll probably need your red flannels, too!

Nancy Clement — "Don't Cry, Baby."
Jack Stiles — "You Made Me Love You."
Bob Gleason — "The Honey Song."
Jim Rabston — State High's Frank Sinatra.

How about those presents Miss Howery has been receiving lately?

Wolf in sheep's clothing — Chuck Peterson.
Sheep in wolf's clothing — Bob Gleason.
Wolf in wolf's clothing — Bob Gleason.

Bulletin

"Pop" the janitor is impersonating the principal regularly on the stage of the Little Theatre.

Thanks for the contributions you put in the Highlights box. Keep it up!

Happy Birthday

MARCH

15—Larry Mayer
17—Jim Mateer
18—Bob VanderWeele
19—Betty Bond
21—Warren Graybiel
21—Leon First
24—Becky Fuller
25—Chuck Peterson
30—Burton Upjohn
26—Robert Wolbers
27—Arthur Buckholz
28—Mary Wilbur
29—David Anderson
30—Jim Pellowe