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Hunters Hear Tales, Tips from Experts

State High's most enthusiastic gun-toters, otherwise known as the Hunters' club, should be really "in-the-know" if they absorb all the information divulged to them in the course of this year. The club, sponsored by Dr. Roy C. Bryan, meets to swap experiences and receive instructions in the care of dogs, guns, and their other equipment. So far this year the "Hunters" have heard the experience of Vern Winey, conservation officer, and Buck Read, college coach. Hopes of obtaining Dr. Paul V. Sangren, president of the college, Mr. Marion Sherwood, and the one and only Mr. George Mills, members of the faculty, and Mr. Ed. Moran, versatile barber-hunter from South Westnedge, as speakers for the future were expressed by Bill Alman, president, Larry Okun, vice-president, and Bob Stelle, secretary.

The talks thus far seem to have inspired at least one member, Anthony Ver Hey, who bagged a deer to prove his prowess as a hunter.

Formal Coming Up

On December 21, the State High students will dance from 9:00 until 12:00, to the strains of George King's orchestra in Walwood Hall, at the annual Christmas formal, which is to be "The Penguin Promenade." Refreshments will be served during the evening in the East room.

The committee in charge of the formal is under the guidance of Mary Lou Harvey and Pat Fisher who will be assisted by Sally Benton, Charlotte Kandler, Don Brown, Bill Cox, Jim Knauss, and Glen Mellinger.

This year the formal will be "girl or boy" invite. So, guys and gals, here's a chance to take the girl or boy of your dreams. The tickets are only \$1.25 per couple.

Calendar

December 1 — Basketball game, Niles here. Dance following the game, Women's gym.

December 5—Assembly, movie.

December 8 — War Bond Dance, Women's gym. Basketball game, South Haven, there.

December 12—Radio program, over WKZO, 1:45—Discussion on Compulsory Military Training by the Advanced Speech Class.

December 12—Christmas Assembly.

December 15 — Basketball game, Dowagiac, here.

December 19 — Basketball game, Three Rivers, there.

Christmas Is Nigh

God rest ye merry, gentlemen;
Come Christmas holiday,
Ye Quire and ye Masquers club
Are going to give a play.

Ye do not have to do the work,
Ye do not have to sing,
But this small duty do not shirk:
Please come and see the thing.

No men there be in Masquers Club,
Nay, not a one in sight.
So damsels, take the part of males
That gay pre-Christmas night.

For even in great Shakespeare's
day
The men would play the dames,
But now, ye see, 'tis different far.
So here's the cast and names.
Holgar—Geraldine Klein.
Steen—Eleanor McCane.
Bertel—Alison Clark.
Old Woman—Becky Fuller
Angel—Ida Schuhardt.

The lighting, 'twill be wonderful,
The staging stranger still,
The music will be heavenly,
In fact, ye'll get a thrill.

For though our play's traditional,
"Why The Chimes Rang" it be,
't will be produced as ne'er before
By George E. Mills and he

Will make the whole play wond-
rous good,
As will the cast and quire.
Mrs. Leoti Britton from their
throats
Great music will inspire.

So come to yond Little Theater
At 8 o'clock p. m.—don't be late,
On glad December twentieth,
Make that, my friends, a date.

So come, all ye faithful
To State High. What's in store
Is a marvelous production
For Christmas, '44.

State's Artists Plan Mural

Three boys in Miss Hazel Paden's 9:00 Art class have decided to put their art talent to practical use. With the idea of painting a mural on the walls of Mr. Gernant's office, George Lum, Dale Pattison, and James Powell are planning to spend more time than usual in that room so well known by State High boys.

December 20—Christmas play, Little Theater, 8:00 p. m.

December 21 — Christmas Formal, Walwood Hall, 9:00.

Students To Elect Bond King, Queen

Throughout the nation the sixth war loan drive has been officially opened, and in State High plans are being made by the 2:30 government class to see that this school does its share.

On December 8, the government class will sponsor a dance at which a bond king and queen will be crowned. The polls will be officially opened on Tuesday, November 28, and any war stamps or bonds bought after this time will count as votes for the coronation of the king and queen. At noon on the day of the dance, Friday, December 8, the names of the highest boy and girl from each class will be announced, and the king and queen will be chosen from this group at the dance that night.

During the nomination the boys may cast votes only for the queen and the girls may cast votes only for the king. This form of contest which was tried last year was very successful and it's the 2:30 government class's aim to make it even more successful this year.

The committee in charge of this group, under the direction of Miss Eubank, student teacher, is, Chuck Klein, chairman; Ruth Morton, Joanne Schrier, Rita Wooden, John Dunham and Jack Moss.

Another plan to further the sale of war bonds has been set forth by the senior homeroom, 15A. The members are challenging any other homeroom to beat them in the purchase of war stamps and bonds on the percentage basis. Bil Gilbert, Dick Barnes, and Chuck Klein are on the committee for this project. If the homerooms who accept this challenge don't beat homeroom 15A, they must sponsor a dance for the senior homeroom's benefit; but if they beat homeroom 15A, then that room must sponsor a dance for the winners.

211 Sponsoring Dance

The enterprising little sophomores and freshmen of Homeroom 211A are at it again, with a dance under the direction of Don Stace. This time it's the "Haymakers' Jive" on December 1 in the Women's Gym with Deacon Warner's orchestra right after the game with Niles. The tickets are 25 cents and everybody's to come in his overalls.

The committee in charge of this dance includes Bob Stelle, Lester Shelley, Martha Schuhardt, and Arlene Townsend, under the guidance of Don Stace, sophomore class president.

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Bob Heath Writes About The Canteen

Have you heard many rumors lately about the Student Canteen, rumors saying that the Canteen is going to move or build a place of its own? Have you wondered about these rumors and wished that you really knew what was going on inside the meetings of the Canteen Board? Or are you one of those who have heard something, passed it on, and thus strengthened the talk? In any case the situation needs clarifying, and here I will try to shed a little light on the many "Canteen mysteries."

The rumors seem to boil down to one fairly definite question, Why doesn't the Canteen move somewhere which would be better suited to its needs, or, better still, why doesn't it build? The board admits that the present situation isn't so well suited to the Canteen's functions as other locations have been but it also says that there is no place in which to move. No suitable buildings are available in Kalamazoo. The board also reminds you of the fact that the move which took place from the Kalamazoo Stove Company building to the Y. M. was necessitated by the debt which was collecting at that time. The Y. does not charge for the use of its building and the debt is now cleared but might easily be collected again if a large overhead were put on the organization by the rent of a desirable home for the Canteen.

The matter of building at the present is, of course, out of the question. Even if the war were to allow such an action, the Canteen still hasn't the money or resources to attempt such a thing.

The logical answer to this, you may say, is to start a campaign to raise money for such a building. But, before you can go to anyone for money, you must prove that the money given will be used correctly. Have the students proved this?

State High has three members on the Canteen Board, Jack Moss, Ida Schuhardt, and myself. The next time that you hear a wild story circulating about the Canteen, why don't you ask one of these members to tell

Could This Be Mr. Greenlee?

On Mr. Julian Greenlee our spotlight falls this week, State High's teacher of chemistry's the man of whom we'll speak. He also teaches physics, that is plain to see, Since his 1:30 physics class revealed some things to me. I came to Mr. Greenlee to get an interview And asked if he would tell me of his life, a thing or two. He said his daughter Marilyn's eight, to the Training School she goes. Mrs. Greenlee also is attending school to add to what she knows About home economics; she's enrolled at Western here. It seems that all the Greenlee's are at school this year. Mr. Greenlee originally hails from Southern Illinois. First Aid and Boy Scout are two things that he enjoys. He said he likes his classes more than e'er before this year, Then suggested from his physics class, more "info" I could hear. They eagerly supplied me with tales of fun and mirth, Saying Mr. Greenlee's driven every type of car on earth; And that our Mr. Greenlee once was quite a sleuth, And discovered a whiskey still, while hunting in his youth. 'Twas full of alcoholic beverages but that was not enough. There was a dead opossum in it so he couldn't drink the stuff. Although, he is a teacher he's still a sleuth at heart, For now he hunts for errors on exams he doth impart Upon the State High students, but still they'd like to say: "Three cheers for Mr. Greenlee. Hur-ray, Hurray, Hurray!"

you the real facts, or why don't you attend a board meeting, where visitors are always welcome, and find out the facts for yourself?

—By BOB HEATH, President,
Student Canteen Board.

Lt. Walter Forbes, who graduated from State High in 1941, is a veteran of seventy-two missions over Europe. Walter's ship, "The Gal from Kalamazoo," crashed in July because of a bullet shot in the plane's oil tank. Walt, who has won two silver and two bronze oak leaf clusters and many other medals, will go in a few weeks to the West coast for rest and re-assignment.

Pvt. Karl Hokenmaier, a 1944 graduate who has been stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, and **Howard Corbus**, who graduated in 1941, are expected to go overseas anytime. **Bob Anderson**, who would graduate this year, was here from Great Lakes. Also from the navy was **George Moran**, a 1944 grad. **Cpt. Robert Kansrud** was stationed at Lincoln, Nebraska, for combat training on a B-24. **Pvt. Bill Milham** has finished his basic training and is now driving tanks at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Also at Fort Knox is **Duncan Brodie**, who would have graduated in 1945. **Don Huyser**, a grad of State High in 1944, is in Memphis, Tenn. **Jim Shiley** of the Marines and **Leon Buckhout** are in the Pacific also. Both boys graduated in 1941. **Pfc. R. W. Niles**, who graduated in 1940, is in Texas in the army.

Due to the constant change in addresses and location of the men in the armed forces, the Highlights staff has a hard time "keeping up" with State High's graduates. If any student has information which he thinks would be of interest to the students, will he see his Highlights representative in his homeroom for a Service Man's Questionnaire blank to fill out and put in the Highlights box. If any student would like to know the address of the boys who have been in this column this issue or any past issue he may obtain these from Carl Cooper.

WHAT IF:

Bruce Kitchen's name were Bruce Dining Room?
Dick Barnes' name were Dick Houses?
John Dunham's name were John Dunsteak?
Betty Bond's name were Betty Stock?
Burton Upjohn's name were Burton Downgeorge?
Maxine Marr's name were Maxine Scratch?
Miss Kraft's name were Miss Cheese?
Doug Beebe's name were Doug Bullet?
Miss Ford's name were Miss Chevrolet?
Gene West's name were Gene East?
Jack Herr's name were Jack Him?
Jack Moss's name were Jack Soil?
Dorothy Pyne's name were Dorothy Spruce?

Four Cubs Win All-City Honors

State High's football team has had the honor of having four of their number selected to be on The Gazette's All-City team. These men are Doug Beebe, halfback; Dick Klepper, end; John Aube, tackle; and Dave Auxter, guard.

Beebe was the Cubs' only backfield man to make the squad, but at 160 pounds and five feet ten inches tall, as an all-around football performer Doug was as good as anybody in the city. His kicking, although from the wrong side, was good almost all the time, especially in the St. Joe game. Beebe was also a good passer, and another outstanding factor was Beebe's defensive play, which was good on passes, and at times very good in nailing men who had gotten around end or through the line.

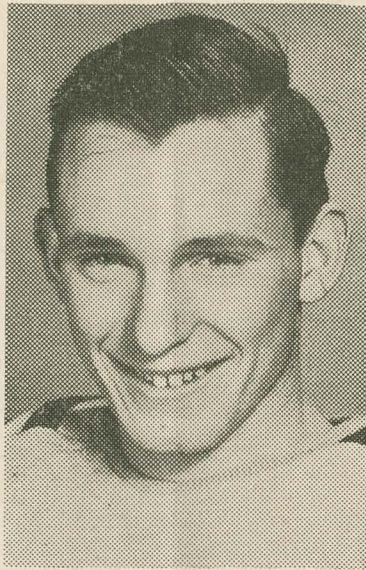
Dick Klepper was one of three State High linemen to make the squad. Klepper, at end, played his best game against Niles, when he made all sorts of extraordinary catches. In that game he reached his height in going through the line to tackle, and on offense his blocking was hard. Although Klepper was not out last year, his football was good enough this secure him a place on the all-city team.

Big John Aube was selected for all-city at the tackle position. Six-foot-tall, 175-pound Aube did not miss a game while playing for the Cubs this year, and while he didn't have outstanding games, Aube never bungled any. John always did a good job of blocking, and on defense he could get through the opposing line to break up plays, but most important Aube could open up a hole in the line if there was a need for one to make a couple yards. He also could hold out his man to give the passer a little time.

Last but not least, comes from the Cubs to the All-City lineup Dave Auxter, 165-pound, five-foot-eleven. Auxter was captain of the State High team and probably the best defensive man that the team had. Auxter turned in his best and almost his last game at Holland where he played a very good defensive game and opened up holes in the line for the Cubs' backs in the 7-6 victory. Dave was injured again in the St. Joseph game, following Holland, and has not been the same since. He is finally recovering and was in condition for the first basketball game November 28.

Friday is the first conference basketball game and the team needs your support. The game Friday is a tough one and it's up to the students to give their team all the possible moral backing. So let's all go and make a record turnout for the first basketball game!

Our Captain



One of the outstanding athletes in State High is Dave Auxter, the captain of both the football and basketball teams. "Orky," as he is called by most of his friends, attended the Training School before entering State as a freshman in 1941.

Dave possesses more nicknames than any other person on the campus, a few of these being "Rudy," "Slicker," "Limpy," and "Orky," which is used most frequently.

Although Dave attended the Training School, he acquired much of his athletic ability in the "city" of Oakwood where he lived until this fall.

Since he has been going to State, Dave has won major letters in football and basketball and was named on the Gazette All-City football team last week. "Orky" is also active in the spring sports and Coach Bob Quiring is counting on him for a lot of help in both track and golf.

One of Dave's hobbies is impersonating people and his mimic of Jimmy Durante has been acclaimed far and wide. Slicker is also quite a lady's man, for his sweater has been seen on a certain Centralite at various times this fall. (P.S. Her name is Joyce Gregory).

While talking to our hero, it was learned that he enjoyed the football game with Holland the most of any high school athletic contest that he has participated in since he has been in high school.

After graduation Dave plans to join the Navy and "see the world" and then settle down and raise a family. When "Orky" was asked about the basketball season, he said he would settle for a 50-50 season, but Dave is known as a very pessimistic sort of fellow.

Let's Beat Niles!

Coach Quiring Names Starters

When the State High Cubs open their drive for the Big Seven Conference title this Friday against Niles, the starting lineup will include four lettermen. These starters, as named by Coach Bob Quiring include forwards, Dave Ritsema and Bob Burns; center, Dick Barnes; and guards, Jim Ralston and Dave Auxter.

Both forwards have plenty of speed which is needed in State's fast break style of play. This is Ritsema's third year as a varsity squad member but his first as a starter. "Berghoff" Burns comes up from the reserves and has shown plenty of promise and will capably fill Harold Upjohn's vacated shoes. Upjohn is attending Phillips Andover Academy, Massachusetts, this year.

At center Dick Barnes has looked best in practice sessions and can be counted on for at least two or three helpful baskets.

At guards, State High is well fortified with two returning starters, Captain Dave Auxter and Big Jim Ralston. These two boys will undoubtedly get all large percentage of rebounds and Ralston will be up there fighting for high point honors as much of State's offense is centered around him.

Of these five starters, all are lettermen except forward Bob Burns. These starters will be backed up by many able replacements from the 11-man varsity squad. These other varsity men are forwards Bill Ryan and Gene West, centers Dick Klepper and Doug Beebe, and guards Jack Moss and Bill Cox.

Reserve Team Opens With Easy Victory

Saturday morning, November 25, the State High "B" team opened their basketball season by trouncing the Wesco Cubs, 26 to 10. The Cub "Bees" were led to victory by Stub Louis and Howard Dewitt who scored 25 points between them—the other Cub point was made on a free throw by frosh star Dick Cain. Because no one over 15 years of age could play many "B" team, stars could not play but the lineup of Dewitt and Roberts, forwards; Louis, center; and Allman, and Cain, guards, breezed to an easy victory.

The next game for the reserves is against Niles Friday night. Outstanding prospects who couldn't play Saturday but will see plenty of action Friday include Jim Powell, Otto Schurhardt, Jack Thomson, and Dick Dorgan.

"The Dreamer"

"Well, goodnight," said the little Freshman to the characters in his fairy tale books as he put them away. "I'll See You in My Dreams," and in no time he was off "Swinging on a Star."

All of a sudden he found himself standing "On a Little Street in Singapore." Then the little Freshman heard a loud clanking voice and up rattled a jalopy driven by a "Young Man With a Horn" sticking out in the middle of his forehead.

"Hi," said he. "Going My Way?" If you are, we may as well proceed "Together."

Oh! thought the Freshie. "My Mother Told Me" not to take rides with strange men, and this one is certainly strange! So he said, "No, thanks, I'll think 'I'll Walk Alone.'"

"Oh, I won't hurt you," he said. "I was just going to a Dance With a Dolly and thought you might like to come along to take her friend out. She's 'Sweet and Lovely.'"

"Swell," cried the Frosh. "When does the dance begin?"

"The Day After Forever" was the reply.

"Well, 'Time Waits For No One' and I want someone to 'Show Me The Way To Go Home,' so I can't go with you. So long, 'I'll Be Seeing You.'"

Then our Frosh awoke and looked about him. Here he was in his bed. "Golly!" he said, "what a dream!"

Remember, everybody, "It Could Happen to You."

Who's this senior who by his own statement has "a weakness for blondes"? (Ed. note. We know of several, eh, Mort?).

Carol Morris—"I'll Be Home for Christmas."

They work like beavers all the while, And never do anything wrong. The seniors are big and strong, Not one of them's a problem child. (Am I kidding?).

SEEN AT CENTRAL State High Keeds.

SEEN AT THE CANTEEN

"Ike" and Phyl.
George King's orchestra.
Duke and Gerry.
Camie.
Andy and Lou.
Little lads' hats.
Jack Herr and Patsy.
Moe and Mary Monroe.

WE WONDER

Whom Margaret was with?
Who claims Camie's heart now?
What these frosh have? !!!
Who Doug is, Connie?
What the team thinks now?

Note to Jerry Hollowell:

What do you think of those Central girls? One is as good as another, or so we're told.

From The Highlights Box

SEEN 'ROUND ABOUT—

Ellen and Herb.
Sip and her blind date.
Don Stace and a cute Centralite.
Jeanne and Ray.
Dick and Sue.
Arlene and Gordie.
Marilyn, Lisel, and their Centrla fellas.

What is this we hear about Bob Houts and Joan Rood?

Some freshman gals in the Dance club are wondering when Bob George will wake up to the fact that they are alive. Okay with you, P. W., B. F., and M.V.?

Barbara Fitzgerald—"Who"?

THRU THE KEYHOLE

Burr-rr-r! Quite a chilly reception at Donoghue's Friday night when the fellows showed up in overalls. After all, the girls WERE planning to go to the formal!

Nella Sweet—"Always."

That was quite a party the Delanos' sponsored after the Rainbow-Demolay dance. Twenty-four people—no less. It's a good thing Glen brought his five quarts of milk and three dozen doughnuts with him—the mob was in a fair way of starving. The party continued at Glen's afterwards and the last of the parade left Delano's at 2:30! Big deal!

It seems that Central is pretty interesting for both Charlotte and Joy.

Dear Diary—

All the keeds—practically all State High and Central—had a good ole time at the Rainbow-Demolay Formal. The Tuxis Dance was okay too, so we hear.

Everyone had a super time at Hokie's hayride Saturday night.

Don't forget the dance after the game this Friday.

June Klein—"The One I Love Belongs to Somebody Else."

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A Word to The Wise

Students of State High School, let's stop these rumors that are hurting many boys and girls. You all know that a little whispering goes a long way and with two or three others listening in, it is enough to start any high school reputation on the slow, downhill roll. And most of these rumors are started by your friends, people who can tell a story with such conviction that you believe what they say for a long time before you finally see the whites of their lies. Just a few sentences will do the trick.

Take a few girls in a simple setting with nothing to do but talk. Next comes the usual hush-hush followed by such a statement as, "My mother wouldn't let me go around with him!" Some poor defenseless fellow, with a fine faith in girls, about whom no one really knows anything, but many have made suggestions, is down and out and within a week branded as a complete wolf-boy.

Or be a girl. Any girl is always on the thin ice of criticism and it doesn't take much to put Reputation in capital letters as far as she is concerned. Any little innocent statement will hit her right between the eyes.

Of course the fellow who says these things is never at fault. Maybe people didn't take it the way you meant it, or maybe you really didn't realize what you were doing—just trying to make the conversation interesting, adding a little spice, or color, but nevertheless you did it.

So think twice before you start one of those tainted tales making the rounds. And give your mouth a mental mouthwash if you're the guilty one. Talk is not only cheap but cheapening. It takes so little to smudge up a good name, so just forget the two-timing talk. Let yourself be known as a strictly straightforward person. Besides, the less loose language you toss around, the less will be tossed back at you.

A STUDENT

Happy Birthday

November 21—Dick Roberts
November 27—Joy Van Haften
November 28—Jim Simonds
November 28—Ardith Kalleward
November 29—Al Shiley
Pat Rooney
Robert Houts
December 1—Jim Knauss
December 5—John Dunham
December 8—Lillian Willie
Jack Lawrence
December 9—Robert Pattison
December 10—Bruce Kitchen
December 11—Marilyn Sikkenga
December 18—Douglas Johnson
December 21—Carolyn Gray
December 22—Robert Heath
December 27—Hank Berry
December 28—Linden Griffen
December 30—Betty Carver
Hollis Weston, Jr.