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Three Secure Places
In Forensic Contest

Friday, April 12, Mr. George E. Mills took eight State High students to the Extempore Speaking Contest at Benton Harbor. In these contests a novel form of judging, in which each coach rates all the contestants but his own, was employed. Burt Upjohn was to have won first place in the Extempore Speaking Contest, but when he was disqualified for being late, Marge Davis was named winner with Burt as alternate. Alison Clark won second place honors in Dramatic Declamation, while Becky Fuller took second place with a cutting from "Mary Stuart." Marjorie Hinckley took first place with her "Homes of the People." Alison Clark's Dramatic Declamation, "The White Cliffs," won first place in that division, while Becky Fuller took second with a cutting from "Mary Stuart." Marjorie Klein won the Original Oratory Contest, with her "Ecology of Michael Quinn." Bob Steile was also to have given an oration, but when he was unable to make the trip, Bonnie Hardy was instead and gave her "Rights of The Underworld." No Extempore Speaking contest was held since there were only two contestants.

The winners of the various District contests in Southwestern Michigan will compete in the Regional contests to be held in the Little Theatre sometime in the next two months.

Six Win Art Recognition
In Annual Scholastic Show

Six of Miss Hazel Paden's art students have recently been awarded Certificates of Merit and Gold Achievement Keys, for their water color paintings which were entered in Scholastic Magazine's annual National High School Art Exhibition, sponsored by Crowley, Milner, and Company.

The painters of these prize-winning creations were Linda Griffith, Gisela Keck, Nancy Kesler, Jim Powell, Lester Shelley, and Mary Ellen Ward. These entries, which were given awards, were selected by the judges at the Michigan Regional Exhibition, and were sent to the Fine Arts Galleries, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., where further eliminations were held to select finalists for the Madison Square Garden show. The twelve winning pictures in the Scholastic contest will be displayed at the Ingersoll Calendar, which will be awarded a cash prize of $100 each.

Seniors Place First in Honors
Girls Win Highest Scholastic Grades

Seventy-five "superior intellects" of this woman's institution have recently received the glad tidings that their hard work has been rewarded, receiving marks which will entitle them to appear on the Honor Roll. The senior class distinguished itself by placing 27% of it's enrollment on the Roll, and the Juniors followed closely with 23%. 16% of the sophomore class were eligible this marking period, and the Freshmen came in last with 15% of their number placing. The lassies of S. H. S. seems to have out-smarted the lads, for 26% of the total feminine population received the required grades for the Honor Roll, while 16% of the masculine group appeared. The following 13 members received the necessary all A's or 4 A's and a B to qualify for the first honor roll: Alison Clark, Carl Cooper, Marge Davis, Barbara Frederick, Franklin Fulton, John Gary, Tom Hickmott, Ann Hoebke, Sue Raafston, Joan Rood, Hildur Sangren, Herb Smith, and Nancy Upjohn.

The second honor roll, composed of those who received at least 2 A's and no grade less than a B, is made up of the following 28 people: Bill Alman, John Avery, Henry Berry, Jim Biegelow, Betty Carver, Shirley Dale, Betty Davis, Phyllis Heidanus, Gisela Keck, Marjorie Klein, Myrna Kite, Donna Kowalski, Marilyn Kuempel, Nancy Kurtz, Larry Mayer, Nancy McQuigg, Ivan Miller, Beth Moore, Judy Ogden, Jim Orwin, John Overley, Don Parsons, Rosemary Porter, Emily Schirrer, Lois Solomon, Betty Warren, Ann Weber, and Sally Wykela.

The largest Roll is the third, where the following 34 received the required grades of nothing less than a B: Jane Salomon, Harriet Beerstecher, Bill Boynton, Fred Buckham, Bob Burns, Phyllis Cadby, Julie Carlsted, Mary DeLano, Phil Fast, Betty Frakes, Martin Friedmann, Virginia Glenn, Dale Griffith, Carol Hanksin, Marjorie Hinckley, Dick Kolloff, Warren Louis, Charles Maitby, Judy Miller, Ralph Miller, Carolyn Mitchell, Pat Mitchell, Joan Mulder, Mary Jo Rix, Martha Schuhardt, Otto Schuhardt, Bob Smith, Marjorie Steen, Walter Storey, Jack Thomson, Burt Upjohn, Mary Ellen Ward, Marjorie Williams, and Lillian Willie.

 Clubs Announce Officers

Newly elected club officers for the second semester are as follows:

Hi-Y President, Tom McKinnery; Vice President, Walter Storey; Secretary, Bob Pattison; Treasurer, John Avery.

Aviation-President, Claire Pollooms; Vice-President, Dick Schlick; Secretary, Ken Simmons.

Masquers-President, Frances Sipper; Vice-President, Joan Rood; Secretary, Dawn Birch.

Radio Club-President, John Overley; Vice President, Al Shirley.

CALENDAR

April 18—Track meet with Battle Creek Central—hatsings, there. April 22-27—Spring vacation. April 23—Spring formal at Walwood, golf with Dowagiac, here; tennis with Dowagiac, here. April 27—Hastings relays, there; golf with Niles, here.
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Choir Director Back After Cleveland Trip

Mrs. Leoti C. Britton has recently returned to Kalamazoo after a week in Cleveland, where she attended a musical convention of 10,000 music directors.

After hearing numerous concerts given by some of the United States' best high school musical organizations, State's choir director said that she had some wonderful ideas for State High's forthcoming spring concerts, including choir, band, and string ensembles to be given May 7 and 8.

"Mrs. Britton, the biggest thrill of the whole convention came when 1,750 high school students 750 in band and strings gathered together to give a magnificent concert for an audience of thousands. Mrs. Britton concluded by saying that the convention was a big success and that she had been given a marvelous chance to see other high school choirs perform.

Tom Hickmott Wins "Pepsi" Scholarship

Marge Davis Also Honored

One of State's senior boys, Tom Hickmott, received high honors recently by winning one of the two scholarships offered by the Pepsi Cola Company to the boys and girls in the State of Michigan, who made the highest scores on a competitive examination. By winning this scholarship, Tom is able to choose any college in the nation and attend it for four years with all tuition and fees paid. Besides his, he will receive $25 every month for any additional expenses he might have.

Margery Davis, another State High senior, was awarded a Certificate of Merit which entitles her to $50 toward her college education. State High was the only school in the state with two students among the twelve finalists in this contest.

The $64 Question

In cooperation with the current safety program, it has been suggested that every student should be required to take a course in learning to drive a car intelligently and safely.

The inquiring reporter immediately snatched this as his question of the week, and was met with the following responses from S. H. S. fellows and gals, when he asked them if they favored a driving course:

Pete Stanley: "No, I think that a parent's parents should teach him how to drive because then the parents would have confidence in his ability to drive."

Franklin Fulton: "Yes, then there wouldn't be so many accidents."

Mary Ellen Ward: "Yes! Dad will not teach me."

Bob Pattison: "Boys, yes! girls no!"

He declines to state why.

Otto Schuhardt: "Girls, yes, boys, no. I think the girls need to concentrate on driving."

Marilee Fonner: "Yes, how else can I learn to drive?"

Myrna Kite: "Yes. It sure would come in handy sometime."

John Avery: "Yes. It would cut down the number of automobile accidents."

Jean Thomas: "Yes. It's handy in case of an emergency."

Clare Marie Rancki: "Yes, I want to learn to drive."

Roger Burns: "Yes. It would certainly come in handy if you have a date."

Lester Shelley: "No! There are too many cars driven by teen agers already."

Arlene Townsen: "Yes. It would help prevent a lot of automobile accidents."

Lorraine Smith: "Yes. Maybe we could use a car to drive."

Dick VanderKlok: "Yes. Then the boys and girls could take turns driving."

Rosalie Kitchen: "Yes. Then I could learn how to drive."

Faculty Abducts As Students Reign

The first student government day ever held in State High will take place on Wednesday, May 15. Since this is the first experiment with such an event, it is extremely important that every student realize his responsibility in making this undertaking as successful as possible. The Council would like every student to familiarize himself with the following rules for this Student Government Day:

The purpose of a Student Government Day in State High shall be:

1. To give the students a sense of responsibility.
2. To teach the students to work together without faculty control.
3. To test the efficiency and practicability of our Student Government program.
4. To teach the students that the Administrative jobs aren't as easy as they look.
5. To show the students not in favor of law and order that they are far out-numbered by those who believe in orderly conduct.

The Student Government Day would be conducted in the following manner:

1. ADMINISTRATIVE JOBS
   a. Council officers shall replace Dr. Bryan, Mr. Sebaly, and Miss Stokette.
   b. Each teacher will appoint a student in advance to take his or her position.
   c. The teacher will discuss the class period beforehand and explain the correct procedure. An alternate shall be appointed by the teacher in advance in the event of the student's absence.
   d. No student teacher will be present in high school classes this day.
   e. The monitor staff shall work at their regular jobs as usual.
   f. The procedure in the clubs will be the same as in classes.

2. STUDENT VIOLATORS OF THE RULES
   a. All violations will be handled by the Student office adviser.
   b. Minor violations in classes will be reported to the teachers the following day.
   c. Regular punishments will be issued by the student office force and violations will be posted in the permanent record. Failures to comply with these punishments will be handled by the regular advisors on the following day.

3. FACULTY SUPERVISION
   a. The only faculty members of the high school will be Miss Ford, who will be available at all times in her office in the library.

4. WHAT THE FACULTY WOULD BE DOING
   a. According to Dr. Bryan, this would be an excellent time for a faculty meeting in Walwood.

5. NOON PERIOD
   a. Mr. Greenlee will appoint someone to take his place during the noon hour.
State Highlights

Impertinent Prattle

By AL. CL.

Hi, as they say at State. Another issue, another gruelly session with the demeans and misdemeanors of ye student body (unshapely as it is).

Walt Storey and his men deserve a round of applause for putting over a swell carnival. Natch, all the Sophs males were insanely jealous of Tony VerHey— not only did he win $3 (three smackerros) but he got to o-stow a chaste, brotherly (?) kiss on the countenance of Queen Bobby! Quite a haul, no?

We of the staff are delighted that one of our members was holding the luckiest nine-buck ticket. All for one and one for all, you know. Share and share alike and all that. Note! Declare a few fortunate out this time.

Some of the senior gals find that hair to be the most chic style lately. At least we know it's not a put-up job.

Other signs of our times might include a few fortunate friends who have gotten their bicuspids on some of that so coveted bubble gum and are "forever blowing bubbles.

So long, now. Happy Hunting, gals!

Eeny, Meeny, Miney, Moé, He Doesn't Know Whom to Go.

We Mustn't Say Goodbye - Oh Yeah?

After the first flurries of arriving Spring, State High has settled down to its usual humdrum existence, whatever that may be, with nothing to look forward to but Spring Vacations. Of course, to most students this little break in the fascinating school curriculum means nothing. No one cares about Spring Vacation around here— in fact, most of the denizens of Sr. simply ignore it and come to school anyway. (That is the biggest fattest joke, son!) Seriously, around this time of the year, the only thing that matters at all to any lad or lass of any class is the approaching time when, for a while, they'll be free... heh... heh... heh!!! as it were.

When one sees the affectionate hall-bench couples billing and cooing and one saying "Peas, you're so cute" or "Darling, you're so smart" (love is blind?) No, the conversation runs like this: "Say, kid, I can hardly wait 'til vacation!"

"Why, so we can go out every night!"

"Naw, so I can sleep all day!"

"Ah, romance!

The faces of State High Students always have a rather-almost-should-perhaps-perplexed expression because they cannot understand certain of their subjects (all four, to be exact), and however, the perky little worried brow is the weather— will it be fair during vacation or will it rain? Countless grooves are worn in arms of chairs from nervously tapping fingers and the rasp of frenzied ear-scratching fills the air.

As this anticipated time moves nearer, days are crossed off calendars, hours are yawned through with nobles perserverance, and the women begin curling their eyelashes in preparation for that picture-taking time known as "hookey a date for the formal."

We must all of which one can gather that vacation is coming, and go out from some of our saus, sophisticat-ed, imperturbate State High Students, "Gad! How much longer?"

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Formally Speaking

"Somewhere, Over the Rainbow, Bluebirds fly. If birds fly over the rainbow, why, then oh why, can't I?"

If one should hear the plaintive melody of this familiar piece floating through the halls of State sometime in the near future, 'twould be no wonder since the much anticipated Spring Formal is drawing near. To be exact, this awaited occasion is only five days away. Math students may figure the date for themselves.

Preceding an also looked-forward-to spring vacation, couples will be dreamily dancing to the strains of Bud Hall's Orchestra, Tuesday night from 9:00 to 12:00 provided they shell out $1.50, used to fill the proverbial pot of gold at the business end of "Over the Rainbow."

Of course, not all is glamour and sweet music for the hard-working dance committees will have little time to swing and sway until they finally stagger home Wednesday morning. In charge of peddling reservations for two is Margery Davis, and tickets are being sold by the follow-

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STATE HIGHLIGHTS

Cindermen Win Triangular Meet

Led by Captain Bill Ryan, the State High cindermen took top honors last Tuesday in a triangular meet held at State High with tracksters from Three Rivers, Buchanan, and State taking part. The Cub track men chalked up a total of 59 1/2 points to the Bucks' 46, and the 29 1/2 score by Three Rivers.

State took honors in the 100 yard dash with Ryan coming in first and Jack Sipperly heating a close second; in the 220 yard dash with Ryan again taking first and Bob Bills running third; in the mile with Herb Smith winning by a good 50 yards and young Jerry Hollowell running a good fourth; in the broad jump with Jim Moss, jumping 8 feet and 8 inches; and in the relay with Jack Sipperly, Bob Bills, Clare Poloms, and Bill Ryan taking an early lead and winning by a good margin.

Grant Eldred and Tom McKinney ran a third and fourth in the 120 yard high hurdles while Don Eldred tied for second in the pole vault. Jack Herr and Hollis Weston tied for third. In a close 440 yard dash Bill Alman finished second with Bob Stelle running third. Burton Upjohn ran a close second with John Derhammer and Roger MacMurray taking third and fourth positions in the half mile.

Eldred brought State in the 200 yard low hurdles while Gordie White and Jim Ralston brought thirds in the shot put and high jump respectively.

Storey and Eldred

In Hi-Y Legislature

Chosen as acting Senator and Representative from State's Hi-Y Club, Walt Storey and Grant Eldred attended a session of Michigan's Hi-Y legislature held in Lansing on April 12 and 13.

A bill proposed by Grant Eldred was one of seven that was passed from the 62 introduced. The bill provided for a required annual physical examination for all residents of the state.

Governor Harry F. Kelly addressed the group at the opening of the first joint session, while Lieutenant Governor Vernon J. Brown and the acting boy governor closed the meeting.

Flash . . .

At a meeting of State's golf squad last night, Bill Tuberty was elected captain of the linker aggregation.

The triangular track meet between Hastings, Battle Creek, and State, originally scheduled for today, has been cancelled. A dual meet with Hastings will be held later in the season.

State Netters Down Elkhart

On April 5 the State High netters opened their season by over-running Elkhart High School of Indiana 6-0. The No. 2 doubles team was behind as Elkhart won the first set 15-12, but because of darkness the rest of the match was called off. The Cub racketeers made notice that they again will be contenders for the State tennis crown.

Summary:

SINGLES
Richard Cain d. Ray Whorton, 6-0.
James Orwin d. Ed Beaver, 12-10.
Ken Green d. David Billington, 6-0.
Robert Dunbar d. Bert McFarlane, 6-4, 6-6.
Will Tuberty d. Norman Enos, 6-1, 1-6, 6-1.

DOUBLES
Cain, Orwin d. Beaver, Billington, 6-2, 6-3.
Dunbar-Green vs. Wharton-McFarlane, 15-13 (called because of darkness).

Linksters Meet Dowagiac At Arcadia Course Tues.

Coaches Jack Moss and Gordy Sargent are shaping this year's Cub golf men into a supposedly strong golf team. The linksters of this year's aggregation are centered around a nucleus in the form of Little Bob (mouse) Huysser, who last year played in the No. 4 spot. He will be backed up by such candidates as Kent Aasch, Phil Past, Jack Thomson, and Bill Tuberty. Coach Jack (Moe) Moss, a former State High golfer, has been working with the team steadily for the last few weeks, and when their first match rolls around, the fellows should be rounded into a pretty fine team.

Cub Batsmen Win In Season Opener

Coach Dave Arnold of State High baseball squad opened its 1946 season by squeezing out a 12-11 victory over a powerful Allegan nine, last Friday at Hyames Field.

Ralph Miller, veteran of two seasons, fanned 13 Tiger men but tagged five for safeties. Miller came through in the first half of the 7th with two on and two out by fanning third baseman, Jim Beckett.

State High jumped into a 1-0 lead, but Allegan went ahead in the second, 2-1. However, the Cub nine came back in the last half of the second to pour seven big runs across the plate, giving State High a 6-run margin over the Allegan squad. Allegan collected five runs in the third and State scored one in their part of the third. In the sixth inning, sophomore Don Brown connected with one of Jerry Gilpins slow curves and blasted out a three run homer to put the game on ice for the hill topers. Allegan threatened in the seventh, but fell one run short as the game ended 12-6. Jim Ralston got a single and a double, and Don Brown pounded out a homer and a single in three trips to the plate.

Lawrence Gearhart of Allegan got a triple and a homer, while Wayne Johnson came through with three singles.

Box score:

ALLEGAN
Terry, 1b ................ 5 0 2 7 0 0
Beckett, 3b ............. 5 0 1 1 5 0
Gilpin, p ................ 3 1 0 0 1 1
Gearhart, ss ........... 3 3 2 1 4 1
Wells, cf .............. 4 1 2 1 2 0
Hart, rf ................ 2 2 1 0 0 0
Leonard, cf .......... 4 1 3 1 0 1
Wilcox, 2b ............. 4 0 2 1 2 0
Taylor, c .............. 0 0 0 0 0 0
Miller, c ............. 4 1 0 2 0 2
Slate, cf .............. 0 0 0 0 0 0

High ............. 171-5-11-14-18-10

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STATE HIGH
Burns, 3b ............. 4 1 0 0 1 2
Powell, ss ............ 4 2 0 1 0 1
Rafferty, cf ......... 4 1 0 1 0 1
Poloms, rf .......... 4 2 0 0 1
Brown, 2b ........... 3 1 2 3 1 0
Maher, c ............ 4 1 1 1 4 0
Miller, p ........... 3 2 0 2 0 3
Welch, 1b .......... 2 1 0 3 0 1
Johnson, rf ......... 2 1 0 0 0 0

Score by innings:

Allegan .......... 0 0 3 7 5 7 9
State high ...... 1 0 7 17 1 0 3