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M. Boylan, G. White Chosen As Royalty

Football King and Queen Rule over "S" Club Dance

Flash! Royalty seen wandering through the halls of State High! Is someone trying to overthrow the government? No—King Gordon I and Queen Mollie I (better known to their classmates as Gordie White and Mollie Boylan) are reigning over the current football season at State High. The royal pair were crowned at the informal "S" Club coronation dance held Saturday, November 2 from 8:30 to 11:30 in the Women's Gym.

Mollie and Gordie were chosen from a roster of candidates selected by each homeroom. Students attending the dance were entitled to a vote. Aspirants to the throne were Arlene Townsend, Mollie Boylan, Yvonne Hill, Edith Brown, Joan Thoma, Paula Richmond, Barbara Klop, Shirley Longhead, Judy Ogden, Bob Bills, Len Vandenberg, Bill Glennon, Trevor Jones, Gordie White, Jack Sipperly, John Smith, Alan Ryan and Bob Dunbar.

The dance was brightened up by figures of football players in various attitudes of action pinned on the curtain of the stage and also by the serving of free cider and doughnuts.

Bill Alman, general chairman of the event was assisted by Dick Vanderlok, Tom McKinney, John Derham and Genie White. Guest of honor was Bob Stell, Ken Reeves, Don Brown and Bill Ressigue.

Hi-Y Chapters Of School Organize Annual Hayride

Fifteen Hi-Y members and their guests met Saturday night, October 25, at Bob Patterson's farm for their annual hay-ride, sponsored by the Junior and Senior Hi-Y Chapters. Events were scheduled to start at 7:30 with the ride and afterwards refreshments of cider and doughnuts, brought by the members, were served.

Later games were organized in the barn, with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Deur and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weber, chaperons, participating.

Committee Plans Announced

Ardith Kalleward, general chairman of the Prom Committee, has announced the set-up for the annual Junior-Junior Prom. The program is as follows: Ways and Means Committee—Marjorie Steen, Dick Dorgan, Lorraine Smith, Joan Mulder, Dick Roberts, and Jack Sipperly. The committee for class rings and pins is composed of Tony VerHey, chairman; John Avery, Yvonne Bill Joan Mulder, Leisel Kestler, and Dale Griffith.

From left to right: Dick Vanderlok, Mollie Boylan, Gordon White, Bill Alman.

Three Victories Won By State's Debaters

With a series of practice debates at Albion High School and Battle Creek Lakeview, the debate team began its year Thursday, October 31, on the question, "Resolved that the federal government should provide a system of complete medical care available to all citizens at public expense."

The four teams participating included Herbert Smith, Marguerite Klein, Jerry Hagan, and Barbara Jordan, affirmative; Gerrie Klein, Clare Poloma, Jim Osborn, Carol Morris, and Ardith Kalleward, negative. These debates, not being official, were not judged.

On Saturday, November 2, the teams traveled to Lansing Eastern High School for practice debates along with seventy other schools from the entire state. Although not official, five of State's eight teams were judged, three being victorious.

During the day the groups listened to a practice debate between Ohio Western Reserve College and the University of Michigan.

P-T Meet on Nov. 13

With a short welcoming address, Louis VanderLinde will open the first Parent-Teacher meeting of this year, which is to be held in the Women's Gym on November 13 from 7:30 to 9:00. The girls' trio, composed of Marguerite Klein, Marilee Fonner, and Gerrie Klein, accompanied by Virginia Glenn and Hildur Sangren, will provide musical entertainment, while the recreation is to be under the direction of Mrs. E. L. Church, who is of the city P. T. A. For the discussion, the parents of freshmen, sophomore, and upperclassmen will divide into three specific groups to talk over the problems dealing with that particular age.

Stamp Club Has Speaker

The Stamp Club had as its speaker last week, Mr. Donald Doubleday of Doubleday Stores, who gave the members helpful hints on stamp collecting, showed parts of his collection, and talked about specified United States stamps. This year the Stamp Club hopes to sponsor an inter-school organization which will be composed of interested members from all of Kalamazoo High Schools. The president, Jack DeBoer, suggests anyone interested should contact him.
So the Spark Has Finally Been Kindled!

Say there! That was a swell turn-out at the Cub Caper last October 25! Freshies, Sophs, Juniors, Seniors, Alum, and Faculty all mixed in the shuffle. School spirit was never at a higher ebb than then, and because of a defeat on the gridiron in the afternoon, it was all the more remarkable.

You know fellows and gals—school spirit isn’t just whoopee you put on when your team’s out in front two or three touchdowns. It’s the stuff you’re supposed to have all the time. It’s enthusiasm for everything that counts.

Everyone turning out for a brutal football battle insures a success—match; And what else?

You know, there is an ulterior motive in tripping off to school dances—besides supporting your school event. They’ve been with a year for the fancy dancing makes more moola, more moola makes for bigger and brighter shindigs seen in the crystal ball, and bigger, better, brighter shindigs seen in the ole gypsy’s standard equipment makes more fun for everybody. And that’s the object. Isn’t it?

So in leaving you till we meet again—a big cheer for the cheer-leaders, for the committee sponsoring the light fantastic, and for all of you who helped make the blow-out a bang out.

by Mary Jane McCarthy

"Mikado" Plans Underway

After several days of tryouts under the direction of Mrs. Leoti C. Britton, the members of the State High choir have elected the leads for the annual opera. "The Mikado" by Gilbert and Sullivan tentatively scheduled for February 28 and March 1 in the Little Theater. With thirty-one out of fifty-four choir members overcoming stage fright to try out for parts, the leads were elected as follows; Yum-Yum, Nyla Worden; Ko-Ko, Dick Koloff; Pish-Tush, Peep-Bo, Maryellen Ward and Virginia Mitchell, Mary Ann Tinkham; Nanki-Poo, Lester Davis; Petti-Sing, Gerrie Klein and Marliee Ponner; Dandini, Dick Kolloff; Ko-Ko, Dick Koloff; Pish-Tush, Peep-Bo, Maryellen Ward and Virginia Mitchell, Mary Ann Tinkham; Nanki-Poo, Lester Davis; Petti-Sing, Gerrie Klein and Marliee Ponner; Dandini, Dick Kollof.

"Rumors Are Flying And So Is "Evie"

Listen ye lads and lasses! Did you know that in our midtest is an air-minded female, Eve DeVries? Yes, Eve, who has taken lessons for about two months, already has her pilot’s certificate and soon will obtain her license. Landing in a storm, having the engine stall, and breaking a propel-ler shaft are just a few of her numerous adventures, but Eve states that she wasn’t scared because there just wasn’t time.

A three stop flight has been planned for her and her instructor sometime in January; after that she will be on her own. Eve, who has about eighteen air hours to her credit, must fly thirty before she can obtain her license, and then she says she would like to be an instructor and teach others how to fly. Meanwhile in her Aerionca she is practicing "spins" and "lazy eights," two feats which she isn’t fond of doing. She remarks that after an hour of doing one spin after another with her instructor, it felt pretty good to step on "terra firma." A few more, she says, and she will be ready Friday night. Eve, who has a license, says she would like to be an instructor and teach others how to fly. Meanwhile in her Aerionca she is practicing "spins" and "lazy eights," two feats which she isn’t fond of doing. She remarks that after an hour of doing one spin after another with her instructor, it felt pretty good to step on "terra firma." A few more, she says, and she will be ready Friday night. Eve, who has a license, says she would like to be an instructor and teach others how to fly. Meanwhile in her Aerionca she is practicing "spins" and "lazy eights," two feats which she isn’t fond of doing. She remarks that after an hour of doing one spin after another with her instructor, it felt pretty good to step on "terra firma." A few more, she says, and she will be ready Friday night. Eve, who has a license, says she would like to be an instructor and teach others how to fly. Meanwhile in her Aerionca she is practicing "spins" and "lazy eights," two feats which she isn’t fond of doing. She remarks that after an hour of doing one spin after another with her instructor, it felt pretty good to step on "terra firma." A few more, she says, and she will be ready Friday night. Eve, who has a license, says she would like to be an instructor and teach others how to fly. Meanwhile in her Aerionca she is practicing "spins" and "lazy eights," two feats which she isn’t fond of doing. She remarks that after an hour of doing one spin after another with her instructor, it felt pretty good to step on "terra firma."
**State High, Niles Battle to Tie**

The State High Cubs and the Niles Vikings battled through to a 6-6 tie in the mud and rain at Waldo Stadium, Friday, November 1.

The Cubs, after trailing 6-0 at halftime, came back fighting to tie the count but were thwarted in the attempt to win the game in the last minute of their last quarter march on the Viking's 5 yard line at the end of the game.

The Vikings score came in the second period after Gene West's punt was blocked. The Niles boys fell on the ball on the State twenty-one and the Vikings yielded only three yards so the kick off and drove to the Niles nine yard line where for three downs the teams' suits would need dry-cleaning reports that he is getting along well in his new role as assistant director of state high school athletics. Arnold said that the only thing he misses is contact with players as well as coaches.

Chinese Visualize Current Athletics

Valley noisy yelle
Mushee kickee blawi
Lunny down to chasee
Makee enmyy flawi
Buttee in be belly
Crackee on le shin
Plee on like woodpile
Tuckee shirtail in
Catchee loud le windpile
Gouge in le eye
Jumpee on to holdee
Smashee like le fly
Pushee in le wishbone
Pulee on le leg
Makee nose all over face
Scramble like le egg
Melican give to football
All he have to give
Chinee stick to washee job
He still wish to live.

**State, Central Hold Pep Meet**

For the first time in the history of two rival schools, students from both State High and Central attended an inter-school pep meeting sponsored by the inter-school council and the pep committees of the two schools, at Central's Auditorium November 8.

The cheerleaders started the proceedings at 10:45, sharing yells and promoting pep for the football games. Both teams played that night. There was an unusual coincidence behind the co-ordinate pep-meeting as State High played Battle Creek Lakeview the same night that Central met Battle Creek Central.

Jack Thomson, former State High student, Duke Orwin, is playing halfback on the Yale University "B" football team. Harold Upjohn is also at Yale, but illness forced him out of football competition this fall.

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**Football Team Looks Ahead**

Friday, November 8, the State High Cubs, will travel to Grand Haven where they will clash with the powerful Buccaneers. Coach Ed Graybiele's eleven, members of the Southwestern Conference have lost four games to Kalamazoo Central, Benton Harbor, Muskegon, and Muskegon Heights but have registered wins over Ludington, 19-13, Ionia 35-13, and they showed strength but were highly out-classed in their meeting in Waldo Stadium with the Moroons of Central.

Grand Haven is the smallest school in the conference but supplies much trouble for such highly tauted teams as Muskegon and Muskegon Heights who last year battled it out for the mythical state championship, with the Heights seeking out a 7-6 win. In their last meeting the Buccaneers edged past State with a 7-6 triumph. That was back in 1931 and the Cubs hope for a different outcome this year.

Your reporter, looking into his crystal ball, forecasts an upset for the local team in either this game or in the last contest of this season with the high riding Lakeview Lakeview eleven. Lakeview's Spartans are a highly rated team, possibly a better eleven than Grand Haven, with a stunning upset win over the Adrian Maples, 9-7. Adrian is a Class A school, may we add, and the Spartans have lost but two games, both to large Class B schools. The Lakeview aggregation is obviously power laden and will be gunning to regain the trophy which they lost last year when the Cubs won 7-0 on a recovered fumble in the end-zone. Another reason why the Spartans want a victory is that in five years State High Cubs have won five games—averaging thirty-one points per game while the Lakeview Boys have scored but one touchdown.

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5 SH wins, No wins BC
Mac's Mullings

Well, well, it can even happen to lowly freshmen. Love is a wonderful thing. Peggy and Hadley, Jill and Jim, Margaret and Stevie are agreed on that. Incidentally quite a hayride, kiddies. Noticed that Jack Hill was all alone.

Upper-classmen seem to have developed a yen for hay too. Here's hoping Jeanne Scamehorn and John Avery, and Ruth Emerson and Don Parsons aren't out too long with hay fever. Mary Helen appears to have recovered.

Carolyn, is this Northern exposure too much for you? Maybe a dose of Texas sun is needed, for those mittens really strike a harmonious note in this cold, cold weather.

"Something Sentimental" is going on with Peggy and Tommie. Wonder what could happen to State High if they didn't turn up at a dance.

Carol Morris is honoring us with a visit this week. She managed to drag herself away from Northwestern to renew old acquaintance. Don't worry, Carol, "Monday to Friday goes fast and another week is past."

If anyone perchance has heard weird noises floating from 202, it was just the choir turning up for try-outs or should it be tinning up? Hear say there's some yummy parts in the operaetta this year.

Even though Mr. Sheldon Myers is champion chess player of Ohio, I wonder if he is the yo-yo champ of Mich. At any rate he collected quite a crowd.

Doing What Comes Naturally

Goering has nothing on Tojo, the biology class pet crow, who was found dead in the Science room recently. Perhaps Tojo hid his poison vile until he could no longer bear his roommates who included three salamanders, two goldfish, snails, four white rats, one brown snake, one bull frog and one peper. Could it be the constant pestering of the Biology classes?

Lowlights Editors Sought

Last year it was the custom of State High students not on the staff to clip items of interest to the Lowlights. Any student wishing to resume this activity should drop a note in the Highlights box. For the information of the freshmen and sophs as well as the upper classmen who seem to have forgotten the little box with the great big padlock, the Highlights box is to be found a little to the right of the drinking fountain on the second floor.

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Passing Parade Of Prominent People

To the freshmen who are a bit bewildered by seeing those two senior boys barrel down the hall, loaded with books and voting ballots, it probably won't mean much when we say that they are Herb Smith and Walt Storey. To get you on the beam, in the know, etc, here's a little "info" on their private loves (pardon me, lives).

Both Herb and Walt entered State as freshmen from Recreation Park and South High respectively. They both elbowed their way up in the world until Herb finally took the honored office of Vice President of the student body in his junior year and ran a close race for Presidency against Lou Vander Linden in this year's battle. Walt now is taking over Herb's last year's job and is doing "ye old institution" proud.

In study hall if you perchance hear faint strains of "It's been a long long time," this identifying mark is Herb's; no doubt he is dripping a line to Ellen.

Although Walt's ambition is to become a chemist, earning $10,000 a year (he would accept more if forcibly thrust upon him) and Herb's dream is to become a successful man, right now it looks as if they are running quite a monopoly in the field of politics. Not only are they "big wigs" here, but no doubt Boy's State has been made a success by our great Senator Smith and the "Crime Doesn't Pay" motto of Police Chief Storey.

Even though Walt has a mania for creamed onions, he's still a popular boy, but with hopes that little blond Frost hasn't gotten too close to him. Herb, a little more along the conventional lines, finds his weakness is ice cream.

Both fellows seem to be the homing pigeon type, as neither of them has been led very far from our fair city. In Chicago, the high spot for Herb (outside of all the women), was the museum. Any resemblance to the usual likes and dislikes of Herb is purely coincidental.

Walt is still dreaming about that big game or gopher sized prey both nuts about hunting. Whether it's big game or gopher sized prey we do not know, but no doubt it gives the needed relaxation to Herb from his fourth year Math class and to Walt from his countless duties around school.

Well, here's the dope! Don't forget to tune in next time for another exciting chapter in the life of our fighting seniors.

Committee Plans Projects

Herb Smith, chairman, Dale Griffith, Ken Green, Dick Cain, and Roger Bennett comprise the finance committee this year. So far they have contributed the programs for the football games and hope to be able to have programs for basketball.

Happy Birthday

November eleventh is drawing near—
I'm in a terrible fright!
Suppose I should fail my Latin or French.
I can't sleep a wink at night.
When I try to sleep in my room at night,
I think of nothing but tests!
Did I get one hundred or ninety percent?
Or fail? Did I do my best?
You just can't be sure of Geometry classes.
And History and English are bad;
But as far as Math goes, I'm a hopeless case.
There's just no help to be had!
When practicing typing, my fingers grow numb.
From tapping and pounding the keys.
In my Physics exam, I just don't know—
(And there is no doubt!)
I'll be spending sleepless nights!

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So I decide which proof of the four is the best, not being influenced by the many friends who disagree with me.

Returning the proofs and paying some more money and I decide that twenty-five dollars and forty-nine cents is not too much. After all, some had as high as forty dollars.

Well, that's all over, and it will be later in the year before they return to haunt me. But as for now, all I can say is, "What an ordeal."

A Senior

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Happy Birthday

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Nov. 7—Carl Cooper
Nov. 12—Skip Bills
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Jean Guymer
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Nov. 13—David Peterson
Nov. 14—Bill Glennon
Nov. 15—Ronald McCaul
Nov. 17—Mildred Worden