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Staff Starts New System

Council Posts Plans

A new committee, in charge of publicity, has recently been organized here on the hilltop. Don Cain was elected as chairman at the third student council meeting of the year, to see that all school events are adequately publicized.

There are three members on the committee. Shirley Gary has charge of announcements put out on the Bulletin Board located in the upstairs hall, Illyne Wiesman has charge of publicity brought to you State Hi-tes via printed notes, and Mary Kuizenga is in charge of all posters that go up around State High. Posters will be put up to inform you of Social Committee planned dances, Christmas and Spring plays, Pep Committee plans, and other events of importance. Signs and notices will be posted notifying everybody of assemblies and games. Also notices will be sent around to homerooms and classes announcing events and meetings of importance.

The Publicity Committee has acquired the use of a special workroom, also the Student Council has promised to purchase all needed equipment such as poster board, poster paint, and paint brushes.

Bernadine Wins Again

The proceeds from the Magazine Sale held by State High have been tabulated. The High School sold $1,363.30 worth of magazines. This was a profit of $476.89 out of which the prizes will be purchased. Bernadine Paul, for the second year in succession, topped the salesmen with $140, worth of subscriptions to her name.

High Homeroom in this sale, took in about $412. This lead was enough to insure the bus trip to one of the games for the homeroom.

All other prizes will be awarded at an assembly in the near future.

Calendar

Nov. 22—Thanksgiving vacation starts at noon.
Nov. 23—Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 29—Assembly—Little Theater
Dec. 1—Buchanan basketball game here
Dec. 8—Niles basketball game here

Want to Be a Cub Reporter

In the very near future the home-rooms will choose representatives for Highlights.

One representative chosen from each homeroom will be asked by members of the staff to write certain articles or submit suggestions that will prove helpful to the paper. They will also be responsible for collecting items of interest from other members in the homeroom. The articles and suggestions should be deposited in the Highlights box.

The representative who is chosen should be willing, responsible, and original.

Soon the staff is also going to hold a class for students interested in joining Highlights next year. The class will meet every week and learn the general rules of journalism and apply them.

These students who are interested must comply with all the rules in attending these classes. Afterwards teachers and staff members will choose the candidates best qualified.

Junior Red Cross Swings into Action

The first regular meeting of the Red Cross Committee met in the annex, Monday, November 13, 1950, after school, to discuss the projects of the coming year. Carolyn Buder was appointed chairman in charge of the Thanksgiving baskets. Monday, Tuesday, and today have been three days of the drive for canned goods. The mission to the 8:00 classes has been a "can" or ten cents each until the canned good was brought. The money collected will be used to purchase perishable and other types of foods.

There will not be several drives for money this year. The committee is working on one big week-drive, probably some time in January. The drive will probably end with a dance for the benefit of the YWCA, the YMCA and other organizations supported by the Kalamazoo County Chapter of the Junior Red Cross. The Publicity Committee headed by Don Cain will work to make the week a big success.
STATE HIGHLIGHTS

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Who Art the Junior Wheels

This time the Juniors had their turn to “rate heir mates.” Most of the votes were close, but if you have any doubt as to the accuracy of the returns, you can check from all of the ballots which have been saved. The thing that was proved: the Highlights Box isn’t so lazy after all.

Funniest—Bruce Brown, Kate Randall
Most Conceited—John Lemon, Shirley Smith
Best Looking—Ted Emerson, Sue Sawyer
Friendliest—Jack Behrens, George Hager, Eva Aube
Best Dressed—Fred Dilno, Nancy Strome
Most Interesting Personality—Fred Dilno, Sandy Woodworth
Brainiest—Frank Goodrich, Dot Cartland
Cutest—John Thayer, Ted Emerson, Jackie Andrus, Judy Bills
Most Original—Frank Goodrich, Robin Rose
Best Athlete—Maynard Nieboer, Bev Griggs
Most Absent Minded—Roger Whistler, Robin Rose
Fastest Talker—Vern Hoffman, Suzie Gilbert
Most Active—Ted Emerson, Sandy Woodworth, Lilla Eliet
Noisiest—Mel Pettit, Lynda Spaulding
Most Likeable—George Hager, Addie Anne Tolhurst, Sue Snyder
Best Dancer—Fred Dilno, Kay Loughead
Most Sophisticated—Joe McCarthy, John Lemon, Eleanor Alman
Most Liked by Teachers—Ted Emerson, Nan Strome
Most Loveable—Ted Emerson, Jackie Andrus, Bev Swoap
Hardest Worker—Frank Goodrich, Lilla Eliet
Most Likely to Succeed—Frank Goodrich, Sue Sawyer

State High's Newest Club Makes Music

The Ukelele club is one of the most popular new clubs that has been introduced to State High in recent years. The thirty members meet every other Wednesday at club time under the direction of Dick Bordon and his assistants, Jim Willete and Ed Mott.

The club is divided into two groups, one for beginners and another for the more advanced players. The two groups are planning an audience participation assembly sometime in January.

President Dick Forward and secretary ‘Duke’ Peterson are working on an advisor for next semester. They hope to have one of the student teachers as none of the faculty wants to sponsor the club.

If the club is continued next semester, here will be another beginners group. The only requirement for membership is the ownership of a ukelele, Mr. Bordon said. “We have lots of fun and we’d like to share it with everybody.”

State High Goes Hollywood

By JOAN STILES

The other day as I walked through the halls I was thinking how many State High students would make ideal movie stars.

Sandy Hackman would be the first female director of movies in filmland. Her latest production stars Dr Sebag as Howard Duff, master detective. The title is “Murder in School.”

In another part of Hollywood is Don Cain, playing Laurence Olivier with Lynn Cassidy as his female lead.

“Samson and Delilah” with Jim Nichols and Nanette Slavin is popular with the younger set.

Jimmy Stewart (Frank Nugent) just got back from a vacation in Bermuda. His next picture will be "One More Hour" taken from the great novelist Peter Lindquist’s book, "A Night in Jail."

I went over to Sharon West’s tea-room the other day and saw Charles Boyer (Frank Maher) sipping a cup of tea with Gloria Swanson (Carol Sheldon).

Charles Laughton (George Hager) and Barry Fitzgerald (Jim Dollahan) have bought a plane and any time you might see them hurtling into space.

“My Friend Irma” (Peggy Yntema) has a very busy schedule with her new television show.

Frank Sinatra (John Thayer) continues to wow the women.

Bing Crosby (John Gelder) and Bob Hope (Frank Goodrich) are having a golf tournament in a couple of weeks. The proceeds will go for a charity fund.

Shirley Stastish is in the latest “Lassie” film.

I’m going to leave you here at Grauman’s Chinese Theater where Don Vrobel is having his body imprinted as a lasting memory of his masculine form.

Miss Smutz’s art classes are entering the Exchange Club poster contest for the second year. Last year, Pat Mabie and Lilla Eliet won first and second prizes, respectively, in this contest. The Exchange Club will sell their miniature newspapers to give a Christmas party for poor children. This sales day will take place Dec. 5.

“Up in Central Park” will be held Nov. 22, 23 and 24. Two people from State High are in the cast. Bernadine Karr has the understudy to the lead and Jim Brosseau is in the chorus. Congratulations, kids.

Fred Hubbell and Pete Lindquist both received injuries at the Lakeview game. Pete hurt his eye while Fred sprained his ankle. Both were able to attend classes regularly in spite of these handicaps.

There will be a Thanksgiving dance Nov. 25. Let’s all come.

The staff of the Highlander announces that club pictures, etc., from last year’s Highlander are for sale.

Pat Sprouse, Pat Perrigo, and Sandy Woodworth were the cheerleaders representing State High at the Michigan-Indiana game Nov. 11. Cheerleaders from all over Michigan attended this game.
STATE HIGHLIGHTS

Cubs Prepare for Bucs

"We're utilizing a fast break offense and a man to man defense this year," says our coach Fred Stevens.

Coach has been working the team hard every night from four until six this past week and a half. So far he has stressed fundamentals and conditioning. Later he will put the accent on offensive and defensive patterns.

The Cubs lack experience this year. Fred Hubbell, Jack Mindeman, and Frank Nugent are the only returning letter winners. Don "Blacky" Kendrick, also saw some varsity action last year. Up from the reserves are Don Gilb, Ted Emerson, Maynard Nebor, and Fred Dihno. Ed Sutton and John Keyser from Milwood and Stan Vine from Oakwood should be lots of help. Glenn Shugars, a transfer from Central, will be of assistance next semester.

The Reserves should have a good year, although lack of knowledge of fundamentals and lack of experience will hamper their chances of winning the title. They have lots of fine material and show a great deal of promise.

As to the teams in the Big Seven, Coach said, "Niles should be one of the toughest teams in the Conference again this year even though they lost their All Conference high pointmaker Ed Foster through graduation. Three Rivers and St. Joe will also be rugged."

The season gets under way in a game with Buchanan Dec. 1st. That game with Portage has been added to the schedule to bring it up to fifteen games. There is a possibility of getting a game with Marshall if a date can be arranged.

Girls Prepare for Volleyball Contest

The girls volleyball tournament with Paw Paw will be held in the Women's Gym, December second.

The team which will represent State High in the tournament will be chosen out of the group of interested girls. Saturday morning practices these practices will be held until tournament time.

In each gym class this year the girls have divided up into six teams. These teams play each other until all except one are eliminated, thus giving the class a champion.

When the teams were formed each had a chance to pick a name. These are a few from the eleven o'clock gym class: Cubs, Stripes, Polka Dot's, Buzz Bombs, Junior Jays, and Elmer's Rascals.

Best of luck, girls, in the tournament.
**Turnabout Turnouts**

A really wonderful turnabout was held a week ago last Saturday night. Some of the gals picked some “sporty guys and a few of these “cutie couples” might have been:

Mary Thomas- Bob Steffler
Julie Davis-Fred Dillno
Mert” Bondonhouse-Jim Hipsher
Pat Perigo—”Kirk” Kirkpatrick
Kay Loughead-Dave Hanna
Judy Scott-Larry Weisman
Lou Bennett-Hal Blodgett
Ann Mahoney-Ken Sherman
Lynn Cassidy-Don Cain
Annie Wise-Dick Speese
Pat Pahalek-Jack Mineman
Sue Snyder-Jim Rochester
Connie White-Louie Johnson
Charlene Pellowe-Jim Allison
Shirley Gary-Larry Okun
Fran Cooley- Bob Dalm
Joyce Parker-Jim Dollahan
Patt Sprouse-Stan Vine
Joyce Dean-Jim Pore
Joy Stites-Dick Hackman
Lynda Spaulding-Don O'Brien
Sue Sawyer-Duncan Carter
Suzie Gilbert-Paul Hubbell

We find it necessary to give special recognition to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent, who really showed this younger generation how to cut a rug.

'That's Our Gal'

Most of us around State High have noticed a cute little freshman less than five feet tall with curly red hair and a friendly smile. In answer to the numerous requests of several anonymous students, the Highlights has endeavored to find out more about her. Her name, of course, is Dona Endoly.

Dona is in agreement with several other State High femmes in that she is an ardent fan of Monty Clift—She prefers the tall, dark, and handsome type! She also sighs over the strains of “You and the Night and the Music,” and her radio dial often selects such thrillers as “Detour” and “Escape.”

Her favorite color is navy blue, which everyone knows looks exceptionally nice on her, and she admits that scrambled eggs are her weakness.

When asked about her opinion of State High, she used the expressive phrase, “Real swell!” Of the subjects she is taking, she likes English best; her club selection is Y-teens.

Although she wishes no major changes in the traditions of the school, she would like to add a “Mr. and Miss State High Day,” on which the seniors would have to dress up and the freshman would have complete authority. This idea is probably due to the fact that seniors are her pet peeve!

State High welcomes Dona as a member of our “big happy family,” and we all hope she enjoys her four years here in our school.

**At Boys First Glance**

Ever since Adam awoke to find Eve, girls have been wondering what it was that the boys noticed first about them. So we thought we'd ask some of the male population his important question, and the answers we got were both numerous and similar.

John Gelder, for instance, st unravelled the election and states that, “A girl’s politics are important to him.”

I asked some of the freshman boys —Red, Matt, Jon, Ron, and Larry, but they were so shy to say outright and I got said. “It wouldn’t be printable,” Guess they’re learning young these days.

Several boys—Dunc Carter, Jim Russel and Maynard Nierb think that personality means much. A lot of others agree to this I’m sure. A couple of the boys I asked said they just didn’t look any more ‘cause they were hooked. You’re lucky Fran, Addie, and Mary Joyce.

Legs came out ahead with many of the guys I asked, and Pat and Pete state that they’re positively connoisseurs—agree?

Stan Vine says, “A pleasant face is good, but how they wear their sweaters helps a lot.”

“A gal that can really dance,” is what Don Cain and Fred Dillno say they look for in a girl. Lessons aren’t too expensive, girls.

Hubbell and Kirk said, “Oh you know,—lots of things” and I’m almost sure Kirk was blushing—imagine that.

Frank Maher says, “One of the things he looks at first are a girl’s eyes,” and John Dumb and Smirle Weston agree with him.

If she goes to Central—that’s half of it says Jimmy Dollahan, while John DuMont thinks it’s important for a girl to act natural and take her chances.

“Don and Corby just aren’t interested.” Say—that’s certainly a new twist.

“A girl must be well read,” says Phil Bruns and Dick Kramer—Beautiful, but dumb doesn’t seem to be too good a recommendation for them.

There it gals—has your slip been showing lately, your hair been straight? Do something about it. Brush up your chatter to more than just straight? Do something about it.

**Wonder What Would Happen?**

If Irene said Goodnight?
If the benches in the halls were cleared between classes?
If State High was accused of having too much school spirit?
If Maxine stopped getting monitor reports?
If people on the Highlights got their assignments in on time?