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State Highlights

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Royalty To Be Crowned

Cub Coronation is the name of our Homecoming Dance this year. The dance will be held Saturday, evening, Oct. 18, in the Womn's Gym, from 8:30 to 11:30.

Social and Pep Committee Chairmen, Janet Hughes and Patt Sprouse have been working on the festivities for the evening. Social Committee Chairmen are as follows:

Chaperones—Lois Fuller aand Joan Peelen

Refreshments—Jean Hoag

Music—Cathy Myers and Sherla Jennings

Tickets—Linnea Taylor

Publicity—Stevie Malone

Decorations, lead by Gail Hubbell and Donna Endsley fit in with the title "Cub Coronation." It is strictly a skirt and sweater dance.

The Pep Committtee is in charge of the main event; the crowning of the homecoming King and Queen. The team chose four candidates and then voted on these. The gifts for the King and Queen are being furnished by the Students Council funds.

Council Representatives Elected

A few weeks ago, students elected their homeroom officers. Besides presiding over the homeroom during business meetings, the president and the vice-president represent their homeroom in Student Council.

The homeroom officers have an important job. In principle, it is much the same as the duties of Senators and Representatives in state and national government. They are the student's Congressmen—they carry the students wishes to the student government and bring news of the groups proceedings back to the students.

Darlene Chapin and Jerry Olvitt will represent room 219E. In 211E Carol Neff and Bob Britigan were elected president and vice-president. Homeroom 277E choose Dick DeFreeze and Judie Lyon as their "congressmen." Jack Burke and Karen Brower will go to Student Council for 213E, while serving 206E are Dick Wilsey and Stevie Malone. In the basement, John Warfield and Pat Ryan take 2E's part in school politics. Representing 11E are Dave Swoap and Diane Doubleday. Chuck Warfield and Joel Shepherd attend council from 15E. Homerooms in the science building are represented by Gordon Berk-

Magazine Sale in Full Swing

Committees Meet To Make Plans

The committees are again in full swing getting their plans for this year into working order.

At the first meeting of the Friendship committee new members of the canteen board of the Inter-school Council were elected. The new delegates to the Inter-school Council are Jon Sebaly, Lois Fuller and Ann Frey. Returning delegates are Lyn Cassidy and Judie Lyon.

The Assembly Committee chairman, Lyn Cassidy has chosen a committee of 14. Their first big plans for this year concerned the Magazine Assembly, which was held October sixth. The next two assemblies on their agenda are a college speaker on October 20th, and the Election Day assembly on November fourth.

Twenty members make up the Service Club, formerly the Red Cross. Carol Ann Smith, chairman, said that they plan to decorate the Percy Jones Hospital and others for parties and dances this year.

Both the Social and Pep Committees are busy planning the Homecoming events for October 17, and 18.

\$1200 Goal Set for Hatfields and McCoys

As we near the end of our annual money-making project, the magazine sale, all loyal Hatfields and McCoys must really get behind their teams to raise their totals.

The magazine assembly last Tuesday introduced the school to the cabinet's new ideas for the sale's promotion and started the campaign in the right direction. A pep meeting was held in the gym on Monday to create further enthusiasm and rivalry between teams. The homerooms are still contending for the top spot!

The head captain of the Hatfield team is Ann Frey, and the number one man on the McCoy side is Pete Platt. Homeroom captains are as follows:

McCoys—Carol Hartman, Jon Sebaly, Alda Marie Seaver, Peg Yntema, Debbie Parker, John Warfield, Joel Shepherd, Jerry West, Polly Allen, Vern Verhage, Mary Spitters, Peter Parker and Char Pellowe.

Hatfields—Al Wise, Joan Stiles, Don Neal, Corby Lewis, Dave VanDeWalker, Sally Reeves, Mary Roberts, Barbara Born, Dick Wilsey, Nanette Slavin, Dave Swoap, Arlette Brod.

ISC Seeks Cooperation

Last Tuesday the Inter-School Council met at Portage. They set up four temporary committees each of equal importance. One committee will investigate volunteer work in hospitals, another the possibility of having a teen-age page in the Gazette; a third committee would find out how teen agers could work with the police force in soving the driving problem, and the final committee will find out how teen-agers can help people through the social agencies in town. If enough opportunities are available for service in these fields the committees will function permanently through the council.

State High's delegation plans to do two major things here at school. First they will pass around a petition through Student Council or homerooms for getting a teen-age page in the Gazette. They will also try to have Inter-school Council constitution ratified by the Student Council.

The next Inter-school meeting will be held at State High on October 28th.

On Canteen Board State Hi Represented

On the third Wednesday of every month students from Central and State High meet to plan the activities of the canteen. This group is appropriately called the Canteen Board and their purpose is to plan the functions necessary for an efficient canteen. Chosing orchestras or getting students to participate are only part of the boards' duties. New members from State High, elected for two years are "Jiggs" Harbor, and Marilyn Greenlee. Ann Frey is completing her term this year on the board. The canteen board is one of the organizations which furthur better inter-school relations.

Election Fever Runs High

(Editor's note: The purpose of this article is to present a clear view of both sides of the issues in the forthcoming presidential election.)

As another national election draws near, we are again in the midst of a heated campaign slugfest. Both Republicans and Democrats are strongly exchanging words expressing their views on the major problems and issues that confront the country at this crucial time.

The issue being stressed most by both nominees is foreign policy. The Democratic platform endorses the Truman-Acheson principles for marshaling the resources of the free world in order to fight communistic aggression. They feel that if taxes are cut, the rearmament program would be considerably hampered, thus creating a dangerous threat to our country and our Allies. The Democrats maintain that each global situation, as in Korea, should be met as it comes up. With this plan, they declare an all-out war has been prevented, and will continue with this policy if Stevenson is the new occupant of the White House in 1953.

The Republicans answer back emphatically. They believe that the present administration fumbled their attempt to fight communism both in Korea and in Europe. To better the situation, the GOP strongly supports the United Nations and wants to uphold the defense of the Far East and Europe, in order to prevent future "Koreas." Another major difference in the two policies is that the Republicans state that high taxes and waste spending can be cut without endangering the free world. They charge that the present leaders of the administration have just fallen

short of an all-out war, as the casualty lists and deaths mount in Korea. General Eisenhower and the Republican leaders are convinced that the Korean war could have been prevented with a little foresight.

Other areas of disagreement arise between the two platforms on labor and civil rights. The Democrats favor repeal of the Taft-Hartly act, while the GOP feels that with certain amendments the act would be suitable for active use. Both parties favor a strong civil rights program without alienating the South. The two programs differ slightly in that the Republicans favor more state action against the poll tax, lynching, segregation, etc., while the Democrats want most of these under federal jurisdiction.

The Democrats guarantee more security for all with old age, unemployment, and disability benefits. The GOP replies that socialism has already reached a dangerous extreme.

We have attempted to present the above stated facts objectively in this article. The national election is one of major importance this year, affecting teen-agers and their families all over the country. Whatever party platform and candidate you support, the important thing is for your parents and all eligible voters to have registered and to VOTE!

by Carol Neff and Dave Swoap

New Plays Planned

Two years ago the Civic Theatre encouraged the students in the schools and colleges in this area to give childrens' plays.

The idea was quickly picked up and almost every school gave one of these worthy plays. Last year State High presented 'Many Moons,' which turned out very successfully.

This year the appeal is going out again for students to give a childrens' play. Miss Cleveland hopes to see these plays given each year and this year she would like to present, "The Golden Touch," the story of King Midas. If anyone has an interest in helping to give a worthwhile play, contact Miss Cleveland.

Vocational Prevue

Opportunities in Paper Industry

One of Kalamazoo's leading paper mills is the Hawthorne mill, located on Kings Highway. This mill makes fine rag content papers equal to any produced elsewhere in the industry.

In an interview with Hawthornes' president William Slavin, your reporter learned that there are a limited number of jobs offered to high school students whether part time or in the summer. Starting pay is \$1.32 an hour with frequent chances for advancement.

The mill previously employed 262 men, but after complete modernization of methods and machinery were able to dispense with 80 of that number. There are two unions operating at Hawthorne; the C.I.O. of production workers and the A.F.L. power and maintenance union.

"To further interest in the industry" Mr. Slavin offers a three year \$400.00 scholarship to the Pulp and Paper Technology course offered at Western under the supervision of Dr. Naddleman. The scholarship is open to all interested high school students upon graduation and is competitive. While at Western the students receive practical technical experience in the various mills. They are placed in positions following completion of the course.

When asked about openings at Hawthorne, Mr. Slavin said; "There is always a demand for young men with a college education and the ambition to learn the business, and we at Hawthorne try to place as many of these as possible."

Mr. Slavin and Hawthorne are a good example of industries helping hand to students. For further information of openings and opportunities at Hawthorne contact the Personnel Manager, Carl Grosbeck, at 51163.

Orchids to the monitors for their early start this year. The monitors were on duty the second day of school due to the excellent planning of Mrs. Monroe and last years monitors.

Music Notes

State High's two music organizations have not been idle these first weeks of school. Mr. Frey and Dr. Belooof both have plans in the making.

The choir has been asked to sing with Western's choir at the annual Christmas Bach Cantata held at Central High School. They are also singing for the Ladies Auxiliary in November. The members have been going over material for a possible operetta this year.

Dr. Belooof and the band played with a group of 6,000 at Michigan's game on October 11th. They also played for our games with Dowagiac and Portage.

There will be no Tri-City Concert this year so the band is considering plans for a joint concert with an Illinois band or a Kentucky tour.

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Cubs Meet Mustangs for Homecoming

Lettermen Return

The State High Cubs are fighting to latch into a winning season in 1952. The recent State High football record is rather poor as the Cubs' have not turned in a winning season since 1948. The 1952 team is one that has been looked forward to by coaches and players alike.

With the exception of one half-back the entire backfield has been playing varsity ball for two years. There are two players on the first string line who also have two years of varsity experience. That makes five men who have been showing their exploits on the Stat. High gridiron since 1950. On the first team there is also an end with a years experience behind him, making six letterman and five juniors to compose the starting team. Added to this are lettermen to back up every position except center, fullback, and quarterback on the defensive team there are eight lettermen and only three men to stop opposing teams. Once again there are many experienced varsity men to back up the starting eleven.

With this fine array of talent State High should come forth with the best record they have posted in many years.

Orchids to Ken Fricke and the football team for their five touchdowns and 32-6 score in the game with Plainwell.

Reserves Top Plainwell

The Reserve football team opened their season with Plainwell's reserves Wednesday October 1st. State High lead at the half by a score of 26-0 and won the game 33-6. The team played very well both offensively and defensively. Jerry Olivitt made two of the touchdowns and Chuck Warfield, Jack Burk and Ted Gorneau each made one. Plainwell got their only score when with thirty seconds of game time left they intercepted a pass and ran it for a touchdown.

Mr. Stevens was very pleased by the teams showing and feels "with a little hard work they can be a really good ball club." There are more men out for the team than any time in the past six years.

Allen Glendening was captain for the Plainwell game. The reserves schedule is the same as the varsity with the exception that they play on a Wednesday before the varsity game.

Sportlight on Henry George

Most football rosters are filled with names and measurements like the following Keyser 205, Ocverick 230, Goudeward 240 . . . Rarely, however, do you find this "George 133—guard."

This weeks sportlight is about this light weight wonder whose invaluable work on the football field often goes unnoticed. Henry George, a senior, a veteran of two varsity seasons is one of the roughest, smartest defensive lineman in the Wolverine conference. If you don't think it takes courage line up across from a 250 pound line man while you yourself only weigh in at 133 pounds dripping wet, try it! Henry not only lines up against these big fellows, but gives and takes with them, and usually ends up on top with his big opponent on the bottom.

Henry does not play much on the offensive team because of his lack of weight. On defense, though, Henry comes into his own.

On the non-sports side Henry is quite an art student and is recognized as the top artist in the locker room. But get Henry on a gridiron and he immediately develops into a 133 pounds . . . a 133 pounds of dynamite.

Date Set for Cage Workouts

Early basketball practice will begin on October 28, according to Coach Detert.

Looking ahead to the coming season Coach Detert says he expects a much better season than last year. He feels we will have good reserve strength and more depth at positions than before. We have a large number of returning lettermen for this year's squad.

Already several players have been shooting baskets after school. These include: Ed Sutton, Al Wise, Bill McConachie, Alan Howard, Dallis Weybright, and Don Neal.

BOX SCORE

STATE HIGH 32, PLAINWELL 6
STATE HIGH 0 ALLEGAN 21

Next game Homecoming. PORTAGE there—Friday October 17th

Former Hilltopper Stars for Portage

This Friday State High will play Portage in our Homecoming game. The team has been anxiously awaiting this game because Portage is the Cubs' top rival.

This rivalry has become more intense with every game with them, possibly because they are so close to us and also because there is an ex-State High student on their starting squad, Tom Kreilick. Both teams are members of the newly formed Wolverine Conference.

State High has played Portage four times in the past. In 1948 the Cubs defeated a newly formed Portage squad 26-0, in 1949 they won again by the same score. In 1950 a poor State High team was beaten 6-0, but State High rallied in 1951 and won 20-0.

Portages team this year consists of a wealth of veterans such as; Bruce Korzilous, a fast-running half-back, Kreilick and Mike Wooden, two tackles who can give out plenty of trouble on the line, Norm Kramer, a 6 foot 4 inch 220 pound end, and many other troublesome men.

Portage has been getting help this year from the Kalamazoo College coaching staff which should have given them a lot of help on their split "T." This is one of State High's most important games and there are special activities being planned for the half. Lets all be there!!

Strikes and Spares

Every Thursday night after school girl bowling enthusiasts may be seen at the Y.M.C.A. for either instruction or practice in the sport of bowling.

The price of bowling there is 25c and shoes are included. If enough girls turn out there will be a series of teams formed which will compete with other schools.

Instruction will be given to anyone intersted so even if you are just learning you will be welcomed in this group.

Pep Committee

This year the pep committee consisting of twenty-two students, is under the leadership of Patt Sprouse. Our pep committee plans Dad's Day Pep assemblies, concessions at games, and is presently working on big plans for homecoming. There will be a freshmen dress-up day and a Homecoming King and Queen will be elected. The pep committee is one of the most active and important committees in school.

A Letter of Advice

Dear Freshmen;

The time for welcome has definitely passed so we think its time some of us high and mighty seniors gave out with a little advise that just might come in handy.

Kay Peelen advises that you "refrain from taking up the habits of tobacco and men until you are a senior."

Carol Neff says to "study hard, play hard and die hard." (cheerful huh?)

Dick Defreese tells the boys to "keep your girls at least as far away as Grand Rapids . . . it's better that way."

Don Gill states "NEVER swear at football practice. It could be drastic"

Peggy Yntema interested that you don't lose a minute studying says: "Take your books to the office when summoned. Miss Crisman takes her time and the line is always long."

Ann Frey insists you should "get out while the gettings good" (she may have something there you know)

Tom Johnson gives the scoop on the junior girls "they're wicked."

Al Hackman profoundly said "It's not what you do, it's what you get caught at."

John Keyser says "Don't go Steady!!"

Sue Anderson replies "see what happens?" (yah we do!)

Jud Baldwin says to "follow the example of the seniors, and then you can't lose."

Your author wants to add her two cents as a parting comment . . . Be good, have fun (try to do both) and with luck in less than four years You'll Be A Senior.

News and Views On Clubs

Everybody's favorite period—Wednesday club hours—is back in full swing. The knitting club has sworn a solemn oath, via Miss Steketee, to finish at least one project this semester.

Mr. Cooper is going to take dancing lessons with his Beginner's Dancing Club, but a student teacher will lead the paces.

The Chess Club is planning a tournament by mail with Appleton High School in Wisconsin. It will probably take all semester to determine the champ.

Boys with vocal aspirations will have a good chance to practice. Mr. Frey is sponsoring a Glee Club just for boys. A mixed choir group will give boys and girls a chance to harmonize.



There's been a case of annesia wandering these old halls, or at last that's the only conclusion Miriam could reach.

A couple of State High girls have acquired an interest in a certain house on Academy Street. Not college boys, Ann and Joanie?

Pat Perigo has started school in Ann Arbor and will graduate with a class of 400 (some jump from 80). She also says she misses old State High.

Several girls, unaware of our rivalry with Portage, have been actually dating boys from that school. This is definitely a problem for the Student Council.

Judy Soffer is now firmly entrenched in California sunshine, but still misses the hilltop. Ann Dilao, a former state higher is now attending Kingswood FOR GIRLS outside of Detroit. Ann seems to get back here often tho . . . guess she wants to keep those Kazoo friendships alive.

Patt Sprouse has found a man and claimed him. Name's Ernie White and a swell guy we hear. Congragual-tions Patt!

Thought for the week:
There was a little girl
And she had a little smile;
She sent it to a little boy
Across a little aisle.
He wrote a little note,
But he made a little slip
And they both went together
On a little office trip.

Only three of last year's members will be in the Modern Dance Club this year. Graduation made it necessary for the club to start almost from scratch. Returning members are Carol Hartman, Liliane Malone, and Tamsin Malone.

Thus far, the new members include Bernadine Paull, Vicki Wenner, Janet Jarman, Lillian Yax, Mary Joy Sawyer, and Carol Hackman.

A QUICK Trip

Yesterday morning I got a frantic call for help from Aunt Jemina. She said that Ann Pillsbury had knocked her Swans down and she needed my Kool Aid to get them back up on their perches. As soon as I had all 7 up on top of the hen house again I turned to go, but slipped into a puddle of pancake batter. Just then General Electric came by so he pulled me out and we drove over to the Maxwell House Country Club together. Midway around the golf course we met a Turkish girl named Taffy offered his services, but she said, Such Crust. He thought this was pretty rude, but I told him that Taffy always got cross whenever her camel wasn't around to suit her T-zone. On the next hole the General sank a six foot putt; only to hear two horase voices scream Stopette! Stopette! Turning around we saw the Smith Brothers frantically waving toward the hole that the ball had disappeared into, and while we watched Phillip Morris staggered out of it, a bruised Budweiser boy. When asked for an explanation he said that he'd stashed some Old Gold in the hole on the 7th green, but since it was a secret we were supposed to keep Mum about it. At this point Phil's girl friend Fatima called for him. As soon as they left we finished our game and Dashed over to the Kaukauna Klub where the general was to be given another star for being named Tough but oh so gentle by the opinion of 22 experts. As the general's guest I was given Four Roses and happily went home.

Class Tags

This reporter, while wandering through our hallowed halls, happened to notice some obvious characteristics of the different classes.

The silly sophomors are now rid of their beanies and also that haunted look. Darlene Chapin and Sally Clark were noticed giggling (!) over their own joke while Al Glendening and Bob Gibson were looking down on the lowly freshmen.

At the same time, freshman Dick McCrumb was seen actually running to class weighted down with at least a half ton of books. Similarly occupied were John Fleckenstein and Sharon Spann. The frosh are easily distinguished for nobody else runs to class complete with books.

The juniors, who have outgrown their silliness and are now upper classmen. Taking advantage of certain privileges are Jim Hawkins and Bob Woody who may be found making the frosh push pennies while Marilyn Greenlee and Janice Babcock are down at the "Oak" now.

As opposite from the freshmen as black and white (or night and day) the sophisticated seniors never hurry to class and never never carry books.