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Win Prizes, Surprises at Carnival, March 1

Yippee!! . . . It’s “Carnival Time!”
Well, not quite, but almost. March 1, in the gym, 8:30 to 11:30—yes, that’s the big time and place! Already heralding it’s arrival are rumbles as to which homeroom will trample the other in the race for each booth. Hear tell there’s even talk of a “divorce booth,” right next door to the “marriage booth,” of course! Forward, people, never give up that ship!

Other light entertainments provide such diversions as a “cake walk,” “penny pitch,” (please notice this is NOT the sophomore Penny!) “pie throwing,” “golf booth,” and even “dart throwing!” Saaay, how about that?

Ringing hammers, gummy tape, strewn crepe paper, flying darts, and teenagers in “old jeans and sweat shirts,” will help create an air of festive anticipation while the gym is decorated Saturday afternoon. So everyone come; let’s make this the best “Carnival Time” yet!

Scientists Exhibit Fact, Wizardry at Assembly

Yesterday, the ‘U’ High Science Club went into action when, under the sponsorship of Mr. Carl Engels, members skillfully presented an assembly. David Sheldon, using ingenuity and good planning, was chairman of the event.

Different members of the Science Club were responsible for demonstrations. Charles Henry and Rudolph Light worked in the fields of biology and atomic radiation. These two boys, with the assistance of an Upjohn official, injected radioactive iodine into a dog and traced it throughout the dog’s body with a geiger counter. Their demonstration proved that iodine is used by the thyroid gland. In the chemistry department were Jerry Van Tassel and Thomas Lawson, who worked with colored solutions and chemical luminescence.

D. Sheldon saw the audience with his thyratron dimming device, while James Siwik demonstrated his homemade Tesla coil which creates an extremely high frequency electrical current. Brian Wruble amazed the spectators by transmitting music on a coil which creates an ex-

light beam. J. Siwik returned to the stage and showed his electric organ, which imitates the sounds of many musical instruments. A zooming carbon dioxide rocket was engineered by Kipper Wheeler, Herschal Hill, Richard Egland, and George Roberts. John VanderBrook was amusing with his work in mathematics.

K. Wheeler and Richard Howard headed the sound effects committee and worked on staging and lighting with Fred Koloff, J. Siwik and D. Sheldon.

Scholars, Officers Merit Citation 85 on Honor Roll; New S. C. Representatives

Students whose grades merited placement on the honor roll for the first semester are as follows:


You are a member of student council! Yes, whether you are one of the newly chosen homeroom officers or not, you have a say in what goes back to student council. Strengthening our homerooms is one of the main aims of the council, for only with an alert student body can we have a strong student council. The following second semester homeroom officers have been chosen: Presidents, vice-presidents, secretaries, and treasurers are listed respectively:


The monitors recently elected Cullen Henshaw, Patricia Anderson, Judith Dekema, and Howard Jackson as their second semester officers.
### Mixed with Mirth

"Fury, Fury!" shrieked Gretchen Maus as she madly chased her horse down the suburban street. She and Fury had been visiting Suna Tiefenthal when the horse decided that he didn't like the company and STREARED OFF for home!

After conversing for close to an hour with Miss Giedeman about proper moral standards, Joe Sugg excused himself with the comment, "Well, I guess I'll go watch the KICK LINE."

It is the firm belief of Dick Doyle that two intersecting planes mean an investigation by the Civil Aeronautics Board. The change from advanced algebra to solid geometry wasn't that hard to take, was it, Dick?

One of the girls in home economics was about to ADJUST HER GIRDLE when one of her buddies warned her just in time. She had had a mental lapse and forgotten that Glenn Hess and Peter Lloyd are now in the class.

Kim Sebaly suggested that the monitors' booth at the carnival be a pie-throw. "I'm sure the second semester officers would gladly be targets," he added as Cullen Henshaw, Pat Anderson, Judi Dekema, and Howie Jackson squirmed.

Weldon Johnson no longer says "Hello" or "Hi" when he meets his junior classmates. His standard greeting is, "DO YOU HAVE YOUR class DUES?"

In Spanish I, Denny White became a little confused. Doves COO, Denny. It's ducks that QUACK.

At a recent away game, Jim Weeldreyer, before going back on the floor after a time out, applied some "stickum" to his hands. As the big Cub center was doing this, an opposing fan commented from the stands, "As High has got to OIL UP THE WEELS."

"Mr. Borr!" exclaimed Polly Greiner. She had finally gotten around to giving him the theme for driver training. As she approached the car and was about to hand him the paper, "OH! YOU'RE NOT MR. BORRE." It could have happened to anybody, Polly.

The students in 8:10 chemistry don't mind going to class that early. They've found that this is a HAPPINESS SCHOOL. Right, Mr. Engels?

In giving an oral book report, Jean Buelke authoritatively announced that THE BOOK ENDED WITH THE LAST CHAPTER. Yes, we know that, Jean. We just wondered if it began with the first.

### Essay to Life

October 12, 1492, Columbus discovers America . . . you are there. Yes, you were there, then, on those ships discovering a new world just as surely as you are uncovering new worlds today. You were there, too, in the times of our history when man turned against fellow man in fierce hates such as have never been equalled; there also, in our moments of triumph and victory. But why are you always there . . . and who are you?

You have seen much. The comings and goings of millions of people have passed beneath your omnipresent eyes. You know all. No one has ever interpreted your ways nor completely understood the incidents which compose you, despite the fact that you have existed since the beginning of that infinity which is time. Yet . . . who are you?

You have heard much. The ideas and inspirations of multitudes have been whispered into your ear. Discarded and scorned, they make a pathway for your often rapacious step. Sometimes you lend yourself to your duration with such wonderful powers that it overwhelms everyone. For you have felt much. Many are the emotions you have experienced. Hate and greed, envy and fear, feelings that rip and tear, tormenting your very purpose for existence. Love and pity, choking emotions which often stand as rampart to your more predatory ways. For these are the pacifiers, the things which enable mere humans to stand up to you. Still . . . who are you?

You are:

* . . . The humor of a little boy with peanut butter on his nose;
* . . . The overwhelming languor felt on a dreary, rainy day;
* . . . The echoes of nostalgia when looking back on things escaped from all else but memory;
* . . . The achimg glory of an evening sunset;
* . . . The complete awe for the mute regality of towering mountain peaks;
* . . . The hot panic brought by sheer terror;
* . . . The tantalizing freshness of a crisp autumn day;
* . . . The yearning for identification loosed by the sight of a bleak, cloud-filled sky;
* . . . The soft deliciousness of snow falling at night.

Who are you? You can fool me no longer . . . Your are life itself.
—Jean Buelke

### Notes Afloat

In instrumental district solo and ensemble contests held recently at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo College and local churches, all "U" High entries placed in the top two divisions.

Walking off with ratings of first were:

- A flute quartet—Susan VanRiper, Judith Woodward, Margaret Beloof and Barbara Smith; a trombone quartet—Charles Henry, David Bushhouse (Vicksburg), Robert Koels and John VanRiper; a flute trio—J. Woodward, S. VanRiper and M. Beloof. C. Henry also earned a first division rating with his trombone solo.

Among the groups in competition, these obtained second place ratings:
- A flute quartet—S. VanRiper and J. Woodward; a horn quartet—Carolyn Moore, Judith Grubb, Rosemary Suggan and Nancy Leach.
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On March 22, 1958, those who obtained ratings of first will be eligible to participate in the state contest at Michigan State University.

### Contestants Speak Thursday

Thursday, February 20, marks the opening of this year's annual high school forensics contest.

Under the coaching of Mr. William Sack, a group of interested students are practicing diligently to be ready for the University High contest tomorrow.

Each student is speaking in one of the five categories which include declamation, humorous readings, dramatic readings, original oratories and extemporaneous speeches. Two entrants from each category will be selected from the local contest to represent University High in the district contest which is planned for some time in March.

### SPECIAL BULLETIN

Last night at Portage, University High ran its win streak to three games as the Cubs tripped the Mustangs, 56-50.
Cubs Shear Rams; Brace for Trojans

Running Account—William Whitbeck

Those of you who regularly read this column (and your name is legion... I hope) know that it frequently takes the “Let’s get on the ball” line. I will now do several variations on this same theme. So, what can be done to make our spirited teams a little more active?

In our schools, in our clubs, in our campus, it seems that many of the interesting things that could be done are being stifled by an all-consuming sense of weary apathy. In our most active gatherings, have noticed a depressing lack of interest, an apathy that borders on acute, progressive boredom. At games and pep assemblies we disgust and embarrass (hard words, I realize, but nevertheless true) our elected cheerleaders and our athletic representatives by refusing our whole-hearted support. It is, on occasion, we sally out of our little circles, it is in a manner that is neither proper nor even amusing.

At committee meetings the chairman must first waste half the time that could be spent constructively merely in getting the meeting in order, and finally when there is some semblance of quiet, he or she has to beg for volunteers for jobs which should be eagerly snapped up. Moreover, if one took a tally of these volunteers, I am sure that he would find that, on almost every committee, four or five people are carrying the brunt of the work which everyone should be doing. This sorry spectacle is repeated over and over again. School assemblies are sometimes ill-received by persons who have no either the inclination nor the ability to improve them, but who are perfectly capable of producing streams of abusive criticism. In our most active clubs and committees absenteeism is on the increase and sorely needed leadership and ideas are stifled by an all-consuming preoccupation with one’s own problems.

This is our school. Groups are instigated for the benefit of the students alone; it is our duty, our duty, to support and sustain them and support them not passively but actively. Everything, from science projects to swimming teams, is not our business and we must treat it as such. In this new semester let’s make an effort to “look like a million dollars.” It will be to our everlasting credit to do so.

Share Third After 46-36

Homecoming Triumph

The ’U’ High Cubs swing into their final three conference games with a chance to salvage second place in the Wolverine League. Last night they travelled to Portage for a crucial game with the second place Mustangs, and on the next two Fridays they will meet Plainwell and Otsego respectively.

Last Friday night in a big homecoming game the Red and White trimmed South Haven, 46-36, thereby gaining a tie for third in the conference standings. The Cubs took both ends of the home-and-home series from the Rams this year, winning, 64-45, at South Haven.

The two teams battled on even terms until late in the first half. Then ’U’ High hit for ten straight points with sophomore Tom Vandermolen dropping in four of them. The Cubs took a 24-15 lead at intermission and continued victory by ten.

Point leaders were Jim Weeldreyer (12), Bill Yates (10), and Vandermolen (9). Tom Brown netted six while doing some fine rebounding, but conference pace-setter Cullen Henshaw was held to four points.

Crowned king and queen of homecoming at halftime were Henshaw and Susan Hodgman.

‘Basketbrawl’ League

Interest Running High

Forty enthusiastic boys got the still-young intramural basketball league off to a literarily roaring start on February 6 at 5:00 p.m. in the “U” high gym.

This “intramurder” (coined by R.G.W.) made one of the biggest hits with the masculine set since Charlie Warfield’s memorable speech at the termination of basketball season two years ago.

“Coach” Barney Chance, together with some students who were eager for the feel of that “B” ball, organized the league. It is set up solely for the enjoyment of the players. Officials for games come from the captains of the teams not playing at that time. There are six squads of 7 or 8 players each, whose captains are: Dave Taylor, Tim Lenderink, Carl Kiiro, Tom Lawson, Ed Gemrich, and Bert Cooper.

If the avid feeling toward this activity persists, it could easily become a tradition and could inculcate in the participants a morarapid interest in the sport as well as some friendly rivalry between teams.

UNIVERSITY HIGHLIGHTS

Aliases Show Cageristics

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Vickburg in Four Jousts

Possessing a three win, five loss season mark prior to the Otsego contest, the ’U’ High Cubs’ bid to even the season record in the next four games and get on the right side of the victory ledger. Exams and continued illness and injuries thwarted the Cubs.

Coach Earl Borr’s buckeeters downed Otsego 57-57 and Vicksburg 65-48 but dropped decisions to Allegan 67-56 and Mt. Pleasant 44-43. Even though the Cubs were still below the .500 mark, their improvement was shown by the 11 point loss to Allegan, a team which earlier swamped ’U’ High by 32 points.

Captain Cullen Henshaw continued his sparkling play. The Senior hot-averaging 16.17 points a game connected for 18 against Otsego, 20 at Mt. Pleasant and 24 against an always stubborn Allegan defense. Improving center, Jim Weeldreyer, displaying more aggressiveness on the boards and more shooting confidence, hit his two year varsity peak against Vicksburg as he dunked 25 points through the net. These individual performances along with single game scoring help from Tom Brown and Bill Yates and the continued excellent rebounding of Rich Jackson highlighted this four game stretch.

Coach Sam Reischke’s reserve team lost three of its four games.
Trickily Classified

WANTED—A spring fashion book to help Larry Mercure pick out his new wardrobe.

PERSONAL—Notice on and after this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by myself.

Alan Mimms

FOR TRADE—1959 class ring, size four, bearing initials S.J.S. Owner desires much larger size and earlier date.

EXTRA—Jean Buelke, the school would like to thank you for your fine posters which have been so informative as well as decorative throughout the year. We really appreciate it, Jeanie!

WANTED—By Sherry Wilson, a voice loud enough to please Mrs. Monroe during 11:15 French class.

LOST—One "U" Club sweater, by Tom Vandermonde, in the vicinity of Martha Boudeman.

WANT WORK—will do ANYthing to earn money. Members of the European trip.


WANTED—By the sophomore boys, sixteenth birthdays and drivers licenses.

MOBILE HOMES—For students who have to get up at 6:00 a.m. to make it to school on time.

THIS WEEK'S BEST BUY—Bumper pool tables (good condition). To be placed in upper hall for bored monitors.

THIS IS HOT!—It's a pretty "Schuur" thing that Deanna White thinks Bruce is a really nice guy.

GONE TO THE DOGS—Julie Peelen since she has acquired a ferocious pet, a two pound Chiuhauha named "Fang!"

Sweet Stuff

Breathless—Those lucky girls who danced with Mr. Walters and Mr. Borr in gym class.

Evening in Paris—Ultimate destination of Mr. Deur and travelers.

Most Precious—Car keys.

Indiscreet—Going steady with two people at once.

Chase Me—People who go through the halls without a permit.

Intimate—Bits of conversation overheard on bus transporting the basketball team.

New Horizons—First date.

Dark Secret—Mr. Vuich's system of obtaining semester marks.

Act IV—Explanation to Miss Crisman or Mr. Norris concerning late arrival to class.

Wood Hue—Industrial arts class.

Tabu—English that slips out during Spanish II (unless you want to ask and pay...).

Added Attraction—Good looking student teachers.

Surrender—Why fight it, fellas? They'll get you sooner or later.

Can Sister Be Saved?

Dear Cynthia,

I have a terrible problem. My younger sister insists on playing her Elvis Presley records while I am doing my homework. What should I do to encourage her to listen to someone more wholesome (and peaceful), like Lawrence Welk?

Dear Stunted Studier

I certainly think your sister is going to the "hound dogs," but I doubt that champagne music will save her. Try wearing ear muffs, and if that doesn't work, put peanut butter on her records.

Dear Cynthia,

My problem is my mother; she spends so much time on the phone in the evenings that there is little time left for me to talk. How much time should I be allowed to use the phone each night?

Dear Cynthia,

Whenev .. er a certain boy comes out to see me, he stays for a minute, then runs across the street to visit a boy-friend of his. What should I do?

Dear Girl watching between the Venetian blinds,

Make things more interesting on your side of the street!

Dear Cynthia,

I think all science courses should be colonized in upper hall for bored monitors.

-Nikita Khrushchev

Give Heartily

In the next year about 800,000 persons will die from some form of heart disease. It could take a life or disable someone in your family. Trying to do a small part to aid in research of this number one killer will be a "Heart Fund Drive," this Friday, sponsored by the Service Committee.

This will be a competition between the boys and the girls to see who will be able to raise the most money with approximately $175 worth of nickles.

The Service Committee members would like to urge all students to save their nickles so they can "Help the heart fund to help your heart."

That Sally Nuyen is no time waster! From badminton games to going steady with Joe Waters is sure fast progress!

Leslie Schwartz better keep her eye on Jon Edwards! I understand that when he recently became a birthday boy and celebrated by sitting in on an impromptu card game, the poor lad lost everything but his present!

Tim Lenderlink is just "sitting on top of the world!" and signs prove he could be joined by Dick Caine.

The reason for Tim's jubilation is his good "friend" of Jane Mahoney!

Pam Noble thinks swimming is a wonderful sport, especially if the participants are Central's team. That Tom Shumaker is quite a star, isn't he?

When the sophomore class went to Uphol's new girl, "Lavina" Grogel, was seen with Chris Cooper. You were mighty cute in Chris's coat and scarf, Larry.

Claudia is becoming quite the little cowgirl. Praise is in order because lassoing "a tough critter" like Dave Spille is not easy!

Dave Stafford and Tom DeVries are convinced they need some pointers from Nancy Locke before they go horseback riding at her house again. Their ground can be pretty hard!

No score book is going to cheat Denny Ketcham! With Lynn Larzelere as his private statistician, Denny can be assured everything will be tallied correctly.

Two more ambassadors of "good will" have been lured down Central way. Skipper Baden has been proven to be ideal at his "job" going steady with Maggie Brown. Penny Scott is only looking, but she does have a certain senior in mind.

Mike denOtter has finally discovered the of answer of what to do on dates. His formula for success is simple, fellows. "Just take 'em ice fishing," he says.

The senior girls are giving the distinct impression that they're trying to re-create the days of their youth. Licking those suckers and coming unlipstickted to the Vicksburg game is very convincing! Our guess is the senior guys like you well enough in your second youth!