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Sat., May 3—Latin Field Day at Hartford
 Mon., May 5 — Senior Dinner, Kiino's, 6:30 P.M.
 Tues., May 6—Boys' Glee Club to visit Allegan
 Wed., May 7—Spanish I Luncheon, 12:10-2:15
 Sat., May 10—University of Michigan Day, Ann Arbor (Seniors)
 Tues., May 13—Assembly, 11:10, Gym

Toga Wearers to Hartford

Although May 3 brings thoughts of the colorful and historic Kentucky Derby, it also stirs feelings of anticipation in the hearts of 75 University High students as the day for the Latin Holiday. For these Latin I and Latin II scholars, under the guidance of Miss Beth Giedeman and Miss Eunice Kraft, will there be no thoughts of bugles and jockey silks; instead, they will be concentrating on their own separate costumes for the day, togas and tunics.

Hartford High School, aided by both Bangor and Paw Paw, is planning details of the Latin Holiday. The program is scheduled to start at 10 o'clock with University High supplying the council of gods that will view the proceedings. The episodes to be presented include the "Fall of Troy," "Court of Dido: her love affair and suicide," "Landing on the coast of Sicily: funeral games," "The descent to Avernus: the prophecy of Anchises," and "The fulfillment of Rome's destiny with emphasis upon our debt to her."

Following the morning program there will be lunch and resumption of activities at 1 o'clock.

Junior Writers Compete

One University High student will soon become eligible to receive an achievement award and recommendation for scholarship in the college of his choice this coming year because the National Council of Teachers of English has instigated a new program to give recognition to superior high school students of English. Of sixteen Juniors selected to compete, four have been chosen by four members of 'U' High's faculty. George Brown, Allen Dowd, Susan Tiefertal, and William Whitbeck will now have their compositions judged by two professors from Western Michigan University.

Each nominee chose one essay that he considered his best and a second extemporaneous essay written in class. In addition to these, the one winner from 'U' High will submit a two hundred and fifty word autobiography, three letters of recommendation, and a signed nomination blank. Final selection for this honor is set for January, 1959. Eighteen students will be chosen from all of Michigan.

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Songs Float Upon "Lowland Sea"

Two Operettas in View, May 2, 3 at Civic

For several weeks, the choir room and Campus School rotunda have been scenes of concentrated rehearsal for the cast of the coming operetta. May 2 and 3 at 8:00 p.m., the results of their labors will be displayed in a performance which should be long remembered as one of the most stirring given by University High students in years.

The mood will be one of hope and loving, of waiting and loneliness. Though the setting will be simple, the lighting and the actors will create for the audience a picture of the peaceful shore and the restless ship that is always anxious to roam.

The operetta, "The Lowland Sea," is the tale of rollicking sailors upon the sea and their sweethearts on the shore; of the plodding love of a farmer and the laughter of his innocent children; of a young girl who promised, "I'll wait for my Johnny" and the boy that won her heart; and of the strange ways of life which mingled among these people.

Under the guidance of Mr. Jack Frey, the heroine (doublecast with Joanne Quiring and Jean Buelke) and hero (David Schau and Lee Mimms) have obtained an understanding of

their roles such as is seldom attained on a high school level. With the other members of the cast also performing ably, the tender story should entertain everyone.

Those in the audience will also be privileged to witness a curtain-raiser, "The Unmusical Impresario," a gay, comical, junior high operetta. When you have laughed long and loud at a singer who admits he's a monotone in this show, be prepared to shed a few tears in the sad but sweet love story, "The Lowland Sea," for a well-balanced evening of entertainment.



"Ah, children, would you step outside for a minute?" suggests "Papa" Weeldreyer to his "children" as "Dorie" Quiring watches.

Mixed with Mirth

Perhaps you've been wondering why the school operetta is called "The Lowland Sea." The answer may be that Karen Johnson and Cheryl Standish cry so hard during the last act that it nearly drowns everyone. **VERY TENDER-HEARTED FOLKS!**

Jim Coggan lacks **LUCK**—or something—when it comes to handling Bunsen burners. They backfire, ignite peoples' books, fall apart, and refuse to be lit themselves.

Oh, those **POOR, HELPLESS** girls! Mr. Norris has to come to the aid of one every week. Why doesn't someone install a foolproof lock on the locker of Sue Faunce at least?

After Mr. Vuicich patiently explained there was enough gas in Chicago to blanket the entire world, suddenly David Schau interrupted him with the indignant cry, "THAT'S NOT FAIR!" You tell'em, Dave!

While the rest of the boys on the track team were biting their nails and calming butterflies on the way to Hastings, Mike Schrier peacefully read "LITTLE LULU" and "NANCY" comics!

Wendy Locke was quite upset when pouring water off her spaghetti in home economics class. After all, it is embarrassing when you lose your prepared dinner down the DRAIN, isn't it, WENDY?

Nancy Locke should definitely have her eyes tested. Upon seeing a bulldog riding in a car, Nancy exclaimed, "LOOK AT THAT LITTLE MAN!"

Chuck Henry can really **ADD** something to an English discussion but what that something is, we don't know! A recent remark of his was "Although I may not be well-versed, I think that romance can sometimes be very realistic!"

When Miss Kraft asked Austra Sweet to name the first month of the year, without hesitation Austra blurted "SEPTEMBER!" Just what calendar do you use, Austra?

Spring is absolutely too much for Ginger Schau! In a report on the book "Trees," she stated the author's name as **RICHARD CANRAD**. After an objection from the class, she changed it to **CONRAD RICHARD**. Finally Miss Giedeman rescued the poor man, whose name is really **CONRAD RICHTER**!

Awake, everyone! (Attention! is SO trite!) Our neighboring Central High School is presenting the musical "BRIGADOON" the 8th, 9th, and 10th of May! The show is promising to be worth the ticket, so let's all go see it!

Of Spring and the Heart

The earth yawns from a sleepy winter,
And Sol's rays make the pin-oak shed its parasitic leaves.
Forsythia bursts out into its yellow-gold headdress.
The robin plays tug of war with an earthworm.

Hearts spread their gossamer wings and fly
To some exotic haven
Where reality is romantic and life is certain.

This warmth came to me once on a bleak December morning.
That day the only life was a twittering snow bird trying to lift the corner
of nature's white carpet to see if a nibble of food had been swept
there by some irresponsible wind.

This warmth was of the heart,
Springtime of the heart.

This season of happiness is not limited to those months from April to
June.

Spring is any time the mind is calm, pure, and rejoicing.

To me this season of spring holds magic charm.
Is it budding trees and bursting bulbs?
Is it chipmunks giggling in the soft grass?
Is it fish frolicking or frogs humming out their symphony of shrill notes?

A salesman could make millions if he bottled this charm!
The earth might be a little nicer place, too.

—Joseph Sugg

Third Quarter Honor Roll Lists 86 Scholars

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

Alpha (Four A's with no mark lower than a B): David Anderson, Patricia Anderson, Marilyn Beattie, Michael Decker, Judith Dekema, Thomas DeVries, Elizabeth Fox, Natalie Glaser, Lynn Larzelere, Judith Lyttle, Janet Morris, Richard Nielsen, Mary Peelen, Corrine Praus, Dorothea Reavis, John Rutherford, Mary Stelma, David Stulberg, and Sue VanHoeve.

Beta (Three A's with no mark lower than B): James Albert, Margaret Belooof, Pamela Brink, George Brown, Charlotte Calhoun, Allen Dowd, Philip Fox, Aileen Greanya, David Hamilton, David Hinz, Thomas Lawson, Carole Lemon, Patricia Linn, Janet Lyttle, Marilee Masterson, Carol Richardson, Ward Riley, Cathryn Roberts, Susan Schroeder, Linda Scott, Richard Strube, Vicki Vanderberg, Susan VanRiper, William Whitbeck, Gail White, and Thomas Wierman.

Gamma (Two A's with no mark lower than B): Jacquelyn Baden, Patricia Bestervelt, Diana Boudeman, Susan Brannock, Jon Carlson, Richard Colby, Sue Conner, Richard Doyle, Timothy Estes, David Hackney, Char-

les Henry, Cullen Henshaw, Susan Hilgart, Susan Hodgman, Lyle Hohnke, Elizabeth Hosick, Bert Hybels, Emily Jackson, Marcia Jaquith, Virginia Kent, Robert Keyser, Carl Kiino, Robert Koets, Robert Kohrman, Peter Landt, Rudolph Light, George Lode, Gretchen Maus, Carolyn Moore, Juliana Peelen, Sandra Riley, Sue Russell, Frances Sprau, Joseph Sugg, David Taylor, Susan Tiefenthal, Peter Trimpe, Susan West, Kippert Wheeler, Sherry Wilson and Brian Wruble.

That Crazy Classic Art!

"The Blue Boy"—"The Little Blue Man" as a child.

"The Night Watch"—A vivid work in black, white, and red depicting the **Highlights** staff at dances making the rounds with their little black notebooks.

"The Swing"—"At the Hop" was painted later.

"The Thinker"—A study of brooding figures having hands in hair during Mr. McKee's final exam. Tension is shown by black and grey overtones.

"Earthly Paradise"—A date with Rock Hudson.

"Family of Peasants"—depicts in mournful blues and greys, the poverty-stricken families of the students on the European trip.

"Don Manuel Osorio De Zuniga"—A study that only Mrs. Monroe would understand.

"The Uprising"—An opus depicting the open mouths of choir members when Mr. Frey is out of the room (They aren't singing!).

'U' High Powers Into Spring Victories

Linksters Tripped by Jackson St Mary

The highly talented 'U' High golf team ran into trouble Friday, April 25, when they split in two matches. Jackson St. Mary became the first team to defeat the Cubs this year by a slim 334-342 score. Although the Cubs did gain a split by beating Jackson St. John, 384-342, it was a disappointing day for the golfers who did not play their usual above-average game. The scores were as follows: Cullen Henshaw 79, Bob Kohrman 83, Bert Cooper 87, Bill Yates 93.

Earlier in the year the Cubs posted a fine 308 total in beating Holland High with Bill Yates' 74 leading the way. He was followed by Bert Cooper, Cullen Henshaw, and Bob Kohrman who shot 76, 78, and 80 respectively.

The Cub reserve team has gained wins over Portage's varsity, Holland and South Haven.

Running Account—

—William Whitbeck

Life goes on and so does this column (on and on and on). The theory of "if you can't beat them, join them" appears to have failed in my case, however, for after months of publication the number of converts to my type of immortal prose continues to hover around the zero mark. Oh well, as they say in Spanish, "Asi eo la vida." (This can be liberally translated as "that's the way the itch irritates.")

In a more serious vein (for once) I wish to extend my personal congratulations to the winning candidates for student council office. With such strong, able leadership, our governing body cannot help but be a success next year. It is up to us, the students, to support these, our elected officers, with every facility at our command.

I cannot help but notice that, despite tremendous performances in every field including a record-breaking shot-put by Tom Brown, a no hit baseball game, a sub-par 70 by John Todd in a recent golf match, and several exciting tennis victories, attendance at athletic encounters continues to be low. It is very possible that 'U' High will sweep the conference this year in spring sports. Moreover, state championships are in sight for tennis and golf. Such great efforts deserve our wholehearted support.

In closing I would like to refer you to my opening sentence. Doesn't it remind you of the zoo keeper who said that he didn't mind the rest of the animals, but it sure made him nervous to see those octopuses walking around arm in arm in arm in arm?

State Net Champs Continue Winning Ways

Friday, May 2, University High's undefeated state championship tennis team will face South Haven on the Cubs' home courts. The team has played two matches previously as it enters this Friday's contest, these being with conference teams. Also, the Cubs have played one practice match with Central High School.

822 $\frac{2}{3}$ -261 $\frac{1}{3}$! Track Squad Hurdles over Plainwell

Amid Brown's shot putting, Johnson's speedy sprints, Dowd's 440's and Jackson's jumping and running, 'U' High has turned into a league track power.

After defeating Otsego in a thriller (1 point margin) the 'U' High thinclads went to the Hastings Relays where they took fourth in a field of 27.

Last Wednesday the Cubs travelled to Plainwell and though the weather was bad, they literally plowed over the Trojans by not a little margin. Brown and Decker took first and second in the shot. The freshman force of Art Gaylord and Barry DeKreek took points in the pole vault. The sprints were comparatively slow with Larry Johnson, 10.7 seconds taking first. He also took first in the 220. Dowd followed this up by running a good second in the 440. The distance runs were also dominated by 'U' High.

The tracksters met Marshall Monday night in a dual high school-college event.

Victory over Otsego Fifth Straight for Cub Nine

The University High baseball nine yesterday travelled to Vicksburg for their second league game and will meet Wayland here Friday in a non-league battle.

The Cubs were successful in their opening conference encounter here last Friday by tripping the Otsego Bulldogs, 7-6. 'U' High won this game despite six errors in the field. Glenn Hess, the winning hurler, gave up only three hits while striking out ten. The Cubs also had three hits but used a quick start to their advantage. They jumped to a 6-0 lead in the first two innings and Otsego couldn't quite catch up.

Larry Groggel, Larry Johnson, and Mike DenOtter had the three Cub hits while Groggel had three runs batted in and den Otter, two.

The was the Red-and-White's fifth straight win without a loss. The previous victories were over Wayland (6-0), Marshall (3-0), Sturgis (9-6), and Portage (4-1). This first Portage game does not count in the conference standings. Of these four games Dave Potts won two and Larry Johnson, two.

The practice match with Central turned out to be a very close and surprising victory by a score of 4-3. Dick Colby and Brad Hodgman won their singles matches without much trouble, with Bob Gill winning a very close match. Tom Wierman, only singles player to lose, was squeezed out by Tally Ripelis. Ed Gemrich and Jack Schrier, the number one doubles team, and Bob Tracy and Bill Whitbeck, the number two doubles team, were both nudged out in two close sets each. The number three doubles team, George Brown and Kim Sebaly, won in a close match which ran three sets.

GAA Offers Variety of Recreation and Fun

The strenuous effects of the challenging G.A.A. club have thus far neglected to satisfy the University High girls' taste for sports. Although they have already met Central in tennis on the Upjohn courts, for four matches each of singles and doubles, they are still eager for more activity.

The next sport will be a badminton encounter. The games are scheduled to be held against Central and will take place at U. High, thus serving as an exchange for the playday that was held at Central earlier.

Volleyball, a challenging sport that also arouses much interest, will begin in earnest when Miss Anita Tedford, planner, organizer, and instructor, sends two teams to Paw Paw, May 1, for a miniature sport day.

Once the girls complete the approaching athletic contests, there may possibly be a tennis team and after school swimming for additional enjoyment.

Frances Sprau Creates Emblem for Honor Award

Frances Sprau, a sophomore, has been honored as winner of a contest to design a new seal for University High School merit certificates.

This seal features the motto "Ardeat Lux Scientiae" (Let the light of knowledge glow) and the laurel wreath and lamp of learning as symbols of intellectual achievement.

These sayings, newly chosen by the student committee on revision, will also appear: On the Alpha award, "Honor carries responsibility" (Varro), Beta, "Dare to be wise" (Horace) and Gamma, "Strength of mind is exercise, not rest." (Pope)

If Kipling Only Knew . . .

If you can keep your head when all about you
Kids are gabbing when the teacher leaves the room,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
Especially if you get 100% on a Physics exam,
If you can wait and not be tired of waiting
In the Chance and Norris guarded lunch line,
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim
As happens in chemistry time and time again;

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master
At the thought about the dance, "Why didn't I ask her?"
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
When the old school goes up in red hot flames;
If you can bear the truth you've spoken,
"I am determined to get an 'A' in English this semester,"
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
Like the date with that "neat guy" Saturday night,

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one ball game in the Regionals,
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To face the fact five library books are overdue;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds of good hard homework,
Yours is the School and everything that's in it,
You lucky, lucky prevaricator.

—Rebecca Bahlman

This I Know

That the number of times you show your girl a spinning hammerlock is inversely proportional to the number of dates you will have with her.

That it is a distinctly unwise policy to assure a small child that you **really** don't mind his asking you for money to buy "wollypops."

That when a teacher asks for constructive criticism of his teaching methods . . . he expects a constructive silence!

That a host isn't hinting for you to leave when he looks at his watch, only when he starts shaking it.

That you really shouldn't attempt to clean the sparkplugs on your car without turning it off.

That teachers are markedly annoyed when you return from a prolonged absence and ask, "Did I miss anything?"

That signs on power mowers saying, "Do not place hands or feet under machine" are meant to be interpreted literally.

That telling your little brother he can't **possibly** get his hand in the drainpipe occasionally results in clogged drainpipes.

That forcible application of a blunt object to your radio will not clear up recurrent static.

That raw egg does, actually, induce nausea.

That it is not too tactful to answer "No" when asked if you think it's a bad picture.

That failure to respond to your dog's urgent whimpering decidedly decreases the life of your carpet.

That, if you have read this far, you undoubtedly realize how much we now know.

—William Whitbeck

Pair Report S. C. Exchange

Last Thursday, April 24, Emily Jackson and David Anderson travelled to Ottawa Hills High School in Grand Rapids. As representatives of 'U' High, they attended classes of their choice and visited the Student Council meeting there. Ottawa Hills, with about 1,600 students, also sent representatives here and to Holland High School.

David and Emily were interviewed by the school paper, **The Spectator**, and discussed forms of school government and study hall systems. Their Student Council is run much like ours at present, but next year they will have a board of students to manage the Council affairs. Unlike our honor system, Ottawa Hills' study halls are supervised by teachers.

Janitors Rate Appreciation

"Where's Charley?" is not only the name of a famous play, but it is also a familiar question voiced around 'U' High halls. Charles Putney is one of the indispensable men working on the janitorial staff. He is noted for his friendly interest in everyone he knows and for his lengthy commentaries on the state of the nation, the weather, and his janitor boys' romances. Broken chairs, stubborn lockers, leaky steam pipes, and even lost shoes are problems Charlie meets and successfully solves.

Another janitor, Mr. Al Bowman, is a man of a more quiet nature, yet just as hard working and friendly as Charlie. He has been employed here for over five years and has the dependable quality of always being where he is needed. Many know how rewarding it is to receive his shy, twinkling smile. Mr. Bowman is one of the reasons that the classrooms are clean and in order every morning.

Up to Date

Carol Richardson's happy look isn't due to the weather! She's going steady with a Kalamazoo College man.

Sunday School has become much more interesting since a certain **Gail** joined the class. Right, **Bill Clements**?

Nancy White really gets around. Nancy, how's your Mattawan charmer, **Mike McMan**?

At the "Red and White Review" you doubtlessly noticed that **Chuck Henry's** charming accompanist was **Julie Hoopengardner**. Can she possibly be the reason why you chose "Oh Julie" as your favorite song, **Chuck**?

A lot of fellows have been wishing lately that they knew more about electricity and lighting. Could this be because they would have liked to have the jobs which **Jerry Van Tassel** and **Harry Howard** had working the lights for the Finettes water show?

Hey, **Beth Garneau**! If you'll promise us such a neat sideshow at every baseball game, we'll even throw pennies. Golly, can't you keep those petticoats under some kind of control?

Sue Hodgman, **Bill Yates**, and **Carl Kiino** were innocently working on a physics experiment when **Mr. Engels** cautioned, "You'd better stay here and chaperone, Carl." After a second look he realized, "Sorry, wrong couple!"

We're willing to wager that at least half the 'U' High girls would give their "eye teeth" to have **Cherrill Wilcox's** job. She sells pop on Gateway Golf Course, and in addition to making a profit, she comes into contact with the "public." (Translation: BOYS)

To an innocent onlooker, **Tom den Otter** has been diligently taking notes in his classes. But the "knowing" person realizes that the name he has been writing promotes spring fever rather than "good study habits." How about this, **Mary Davidson**?

Be careful when you leave school today! You might be run over by **Janet Sheets** who will be rushing to meet her navy man who's coming home today.

The tennis courts are really cooking up some good matches. **Harriet Persons** and **John Cook** of Western's team have been going steady for eight months now.

Oh, the feeling you get while flying 200 miles out over the Atlantic, and one motor quits. Sounds exciting, **Gretchen** and **Kenwyn Gibson**.

Although the Finettes had difficulty getting boys to volunteer to play a part in their water show, they had no trouble convincing **Tom Vander-molen** who quickly realized the advantages of such an opportunity.

Word has it that **Bob Hartman** still has dating rights on a St. Augustine freshman, **Barb Banners**, with whom he swapped rings a few weeks ago.

Denny White, what's this new love-life of yours that you're trying to keep so quiet?