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Homerooms Choose Fall Term Officers

Officers of homerooms have been chosen by classmates to represent them in the Student Council and to express their ideas for bettering 'U' High. Strengthening the homerooms is one of the main aims of the Council, and only through an alert student body and responsible homeroom officers can this be accomplished. Presidents, vice-presidents, secretaries, and treasurers are listed, respectively:

1E: George Brown, Peggy Eaglesome, Roderick Baker, Susan Hilgart; 2E: Christine Cooper, Thomas VanderMolen, Terrence Duncan, Donald Ketcham; 13E: Pamela Noble, Sharon Tobias, Richard Jackson, Sandra Schau; 15E: John Rutherford, Thomas DeVries, Judith Jacobson, John Rohs; 206E: Thomas Moyer, Bonita Blankenburg, Sue Ann Brannock, William Hightower; 211E: John Todd, William Whitbeck, Stephanie Wenner, Weldon Johnson; 213E: Lyle Hohnke, David Stafford, Elizabeth Fox, John Hartman; 217E: Steven Maloney, Peter Landt, Elizabeth Manske, Eleanor Carruth; 219E: Austra Sweet, Ruben Saldivar, Marcia Jaquith, Richard Bennink; Home Ec.: Mariann Hybels, Ann Shaw, Virginia Kent, Judith Lenderink; 301S: Joseph Sugg, Richard Nielsen, Cherrill Wilcox, Jon Edwards; 303E: Jane Harada, Judith Larzelere, Susan Correll, Michael Kemerling.

Freshmen on M.E.A. Panel

Karen Buelke, Benjamin Cannon, Thomas Cooper, Jane Harada, Sally Householder, and Judith Larzelere participated in an M.E.A. (Michigan Education Association) group meeting recently.

With "Education for Citizenship" as the topic, 25 adults from southwestern Michigan heard the six ninth graders present a panel discussion in which they described and explained a unit of study, "Understanding the Concepts of Democracy."

Rank High on Merit Tests

Last spring for the first time all Juniors at 'U' High were given a chance to take the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Tests. The present Seniors came through with flying colors. Out of the 88 members of the class, 73 took the tests. Forty-two of these made total composite scores in the top 25 percent nationally. Ninety percent of them made scores above the median and 38 percent were in the upper ten percent.

Across the nation 10,000 students were declared semi-finalists because of their high scores. The ratio of semi-finalists to students taking the tests was five to 240. From the 73 'U' High Juniors, David Anderson, Charles Henry, Wallace Kent, Richard Nielsen, and William Whitbeck were chosen semi-finalists.

UNIVERSITY HIGH

Highlights

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN

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Magazine Sale to Terminate Friday Students, Classes Rival for Prizes

"Yes, I'd like to buy some magazines, young fella. Which ones are you selling?" This is evidently the reply that many of the 'U' High students are hearing when they approach prospective buyers of their magazine subscriptions, for they are already within striking distance of the \$5,000 goal.

The magazine drive, the purpose of which is to raise money for 'U' High Student Council expenditures, started October 7 and will end this Friday. Final tallies will be made then but leaders in the high salesman race going into the final week were Katie Johnson, Rudy Light and Dwight McBride.

Through an auspicious completion of the magazine sale the Student Council will accomplish a number of worthy goals as well as projected benefits for the whole school. A few of the things that the Student Council hopes to defray are the acquiring of a foreign exchange student, the luncheon and picnic, the dances, and the possibility of obtaining a celebrity in the entertainment field as a guest speaker for an assembly.

The quota for each person is \$20.00. Those who sell \$20.00 worth of magazine subscriptions will get an enormous 'U' High pennant and many have already received this. Students who make \$30.00 worth of sales will receive a certificate of achievement for their efforts. For the first ten dollars worth, and every five dollars after that, each student will get his name put in a hat, out of which will be drawn the winner of another prize. The reward for subscriptions totaling \$35.00 will be a stuffed animal. For the energetic person who sells the most magazine subscriptions there will be a host of gifts, such as a watch or a record player, from which assortment he or she will be able to choose one.

Besides the prizes already mentioned there will be an additional \$50.00 awarded to the class earning the most money for the Student Council.

Miss Eunice Kraft has the honor of being elected as the first president of the Michigan Classical Conference.

At a meeting at Lansing Saturday, attended by Miss Kraft and Miss Elizabeth Giedeman from 'U' High, Latin and Greek teachers formed this statewide organization to promote the study and teaching of the Classics.

Looking Ahead

Fri., Oct. 24—Football, Plainwell, there

Fri., Oct. 31—Pep Assembly, 1:45; Football, Otsego, here

Tues., Nov. 4—Assembly, 2:15, Little Theatre

Thurs., Nov. 6—P.T.S.O. Meeting

Launch J.R.C. Drive Soon

On Wednesday of next week, October 29, the service committee will start the annual Junior Red Cross enrollment drive, which will last until October 31. This project will be conducted through homerooms, where your service committee representative will explain the procedure to you.

Other responsibilities of this group include the following: Thanksgiving baskets; Christmas stockings for the hospitalized children of Kalamazoo; the library honor system; and the charity drive, which at the moment is not definitely planned.

"The Remarkable Incident at Carson Corners" Shapes

How would you feel if you were responsible for the death of a high school student?

This is the situation faced by parents, students, and school employees in "The Remarkable Incident at Carson Corners," the school play to be presented in the Little Theatre on November 21 and 22.

The performance will bring an entirely new type of entertainment to 'U' High and has every indication of a great success. A modern play, it will have no sets, but will concentrate on the drama which takes place within a few hours in a single room.

Jest for a Laugh

The \$64,000 question: Who uttered this choice statement when speaking of the band's trip to Coldwater, Michigan? "It's better to go to Coldwater on a hot day like this than to Warm Water." You guessed correctly. It's a WEBERISM. How can you be so clever, Mr. Weber?

"Rock 'n Roll" may not be official band music, but how those members love to roll—DOWN THE HILL, we mean, don't you, Dick Bennink, Tom Betz, Mike Bildner, Joy Skinner, and Sue Vanderbrook?

Then there was Tom Cooper who eagerly volunteered to answer a question in his English class. Too bad you read the WRONG STORY, Tom.

Our brave eleven have a new pastime. During practice they bet on the approximate time that VALUABLE, BUT VULNERABLE Rich Jackson will be injured.

Say, Weldon Johnson, did you happen to see Mrs. Jarman at the Allegan Fair as you were going into a CERTAIN SHOW?

When the Highlander staff was trying to find a theme for their yearbook, thoughtful Robert Awgaitis said the Highlander had a scotch flavor. THEY DIDN'T MEAN THAT, BOB!

Who are URBAL and RUREN? No one in particular—just Mr. Lawrence's way of saying rural and urban. This was the result of his trying to explain a voting pattern to his government class, who will probably LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE before the year is over.

Recently Ron Shutz was asked to secure a possible date on which the journalism class could sponsor a dance. When he returned the next day and told the class he had asked Stephanie Wenner for a date, Miss Giedeman inquired, "DID SHE ACCEPT?"

The physics class all agrees that Mr. Engels will never be a METROPOLITAN OPERA STAR — even though the machine they were testing registered his sound waves perfectly.

A medal for Mrs. Monroe: Mary Householder was heard saying that she didn't know anything about ENGLISH until she took FRENCH.

The other day in chemistry, being quite warm, Alfred Curtenius, instead of removing his jacket, tried to solve the problem by burning holes in it. SOME PEOPLE JUST HAVE TO BE DIFFERENT!

Tolerance: Possible One Day

You don't happen to think that the United States is the best country in the world, do you? That your father's bank account makes him better than his neighbor? That your particular skin coloring gives you some innate, God-given rights?

Throughout history groups and individuals have claimed superiority over or have discriminated against others for prejudicial reasons. Culture, religion, ancestral background, and color of skin are some of the many causes of friction among us.

Mighty Rome enslaved millions of its conquered and at times treated them with indescribable harshness. Sometimes the Roman governors heavily taxed the provinces illegally, took over many of their sources of income, and exploited the inhabitants to gain personal wealth. Pioneers descended upon the New World and odiously abused the natives by cheating them, by ruining their health with alcohol and disease, and by total aggression of their land. "The only good Indian is a dead Indian" was the simple creed of the American frontier.

Despotic and ruthless Hitler's propaganda persuaded many Aryan Germans that theirs was the "master race" and that Germany's decadence as a world power was caused by the Jews. As a result many thousands of Jewish people were brutally liquidated as was the experience of a girl your own age, Anne Frank. Concentration camp, crematory, gas chamber, firing squad, starvation, or disease would have been your fate if you had been one of Hitler's victims. In the days of the original colonies of America, Catholics were persecuted by the Protestants, and the former, in turn, put to death Jews and atheists in Maryland, which had been founded as a refuge for those of the Catholic faith. Aristocracy from olden days to modern has always imagined itself superior and wished to dominate society and government. Nobility of the Feudal Age were often savage overseers of the plebeians exploiting them for personal gains and keeping them in an almost animalistic existence.

Would you, a white person, with no hesitation invite a Negro into your home for an evening? Many white Americans even in the North would not entertain a colored person. You may have earnestly answered "yes" to the question. But stop. Isn't your conscience inquiring, "Is that safe? What will our friends think?"

Why are certain people considered mice by men? Were the Roman-conquered and American Indians only half human? Can all Jews be condemned as destroyers of government? Must Catholics be forbidden the rights of a human being because their faith differs from Protestants'? Is it right for a few wealthy to hold a whip over the heads of people whose ancestors were not rich and noble? Because a person's skin is black, does it mean that he is not human or is not so intelligent as you are? Many people will answer that all men are equal. Yet, if they are questioned further you will probably find that they are fervid believers of the saying, "All people are equal, but some are obviously more equal than others."

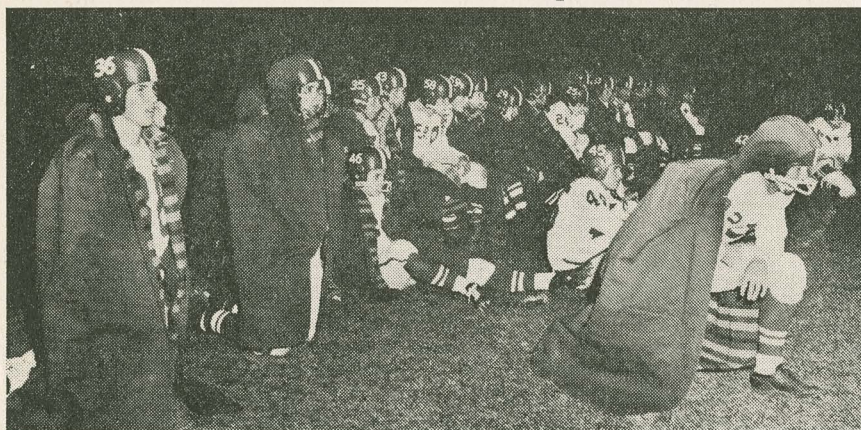
The feeling of superiority like a glowering, towering overseer has always been an evil to the world. One wonders if this feeling will ever die. Who knows what will happen in the future? Will the assumed, egotistical superiority of certain individuals be overcome by their own understanding or will it last forever because of their own selfishness?

It is hardly conceivable, but maybe sometime all people will consider their neighbors as peers. Gradually, as the world grows smaller, people may realize that harmony is an essential in a peaceful world. Tolerance has increased through the years. Will it ever become universal? —Ann Kercher

There was a little girl.
She had a little curl
Smack on the back of her noggan;
Her name wasn't Jenny,
Instead, it was Penny.
We bet you thought it was Coggan.

Hey diddle, diddle,
A chemistry riddle,
The acid boiled over the side;
The part of her blouse
Which the acid had doused
Fell off and she ran to hide.

Cubs Trounce Spirited Allegan Eleven



Modern Warriors Wait for Prey

Stop Opponents 33-8; Plainwell Next Foe

'U' High's gridders rolled over the hosts, Allegan Tigers, with an impressive 33-8. The victory was due to a powerful ground attack and downfield blocking.

The Cubs started out slowly in the first period. Because of a 15 yard penalty, the 'U' High eleven found themselves on their own one yard line. A fumble in the backfield caused halfback Tom VanderMolen to ground the ball intentionally, thus giving the Tigers a 2-0 edge. This might have turned into a 6-0 lead if not for the quick thinking of VanderMolen. An end around run by speedster Weldon Johnson gave the Cubs that all important first touchdown, which changed the scoreboard to 7-2.

The only bright spot for the Homecoming Tigers was a 90 yard pass interception run which once more brought the Allegan eleven into the lead, 8-7. This brightness turned into a fog as fullback Terry Duncan threw a transcontinental pass to Jon Carlson covering 33 yards for 'U' High's second touchdown. At the half-time, the scoreboard read 13-8 in favor of the Cubs.

In the second period, head coach Roy G. Walters and line coach Philip Reuschlein saw more of what they expected of the boys. The next touchdown came when Duncan went off tackle on an 80 yard sprint. Later in the third period, Johnson went 8 yards around left end for another touchdown.

The final scoring came when a 21 yard pass from Duncan to VanderMolen clicked. Dick Colby's educated toe supplied the Cubs with three extra points.

'U' High's well known defense was led once more by captain Joe Sugg, who set the pace with 12 tackles, while Tom Brown was second with 10. They were backed up by Bob Hackman and John Todd with 9 each.

So far this year, 'U' High has accumulated a 2-1-2 record with their only defeat going to high ranking South Haven.

prouder; why don't we yell a little bit louder?" This statement applies directly to our lack-lustre pep assemblies. Surely, some people yell, but a great number don't, and that goes for the football team, too. Come on, let's use our lungs at pep assemblies as well as in the classroom.

We've braved sun, rain and homework; we've worn out more pairs of sneakers than we have; we've trudged from house to house waving our Curtis circulation lists; and we've made this a great magazine sale. But tonight let's give it a grand finale!

Spotlight on Sports

By Dick Colby

Predictions of the Week

University High vs. Plainwell

This game in the last few years has evidenced keen rivalry. Plainwell has been having its troubles this year mostly because of lack of size. The Cubs have an exceptionally strong defense, but have had difficulty in getting a potent offense. Plainwell is always dangerous, but Walters' boys are too strong all around. **'U' High 21—Plainwell 6.**

University High vs. Otsego

Last year a spirited Bulldog squad pulled a big upset by defeating 'U' High, 12-6. Since then, Otsego has lost many boys by graduation, and there is a great deal of inexperience in their lineup. The Kalamazooans on the other hand, will be seeking revenge and should get it. **'U' High 29—Otsego 0.**

Reserves Show Spark

In the first three games of the 1958 season, the 'U' High reserve football team had a record of one win and two losses. The reserves lost a heart-breaker to South Haven and Vicksburg by identical 19-13 scores, but walloped Parchment 20-0.

In this mediocre record, Art Gaylord was the leading ground gainer. Barry DeKreek has been successful at quarterback, with Jack Berner hauling in many of his aeriels. The defensive team, spearheaded by Scott Carter, has had its moments of brilliance. Coach Robert Soderman is looking forward to the remaining games on the schedule, confident that these boys will help make a fine nucleus for next year's team.

Thinclads Place Fourth

Last Saturday, the 'U' High cross country runners took a stride in the right direction as they clinched fourth place in the Wolverine Conference Meet at South Haven. Five out of seven that ran rated honors to give the Cub harriers a total of 103 points.

John Quiring led the Cubs as he placed 17th out of an entry of 42, while David Hackney followed close in 19th place. George Lode, who also plays football, ran Saturday and acquired 21st position. Allen Dowd, this year's captain, came in 22nd and Philip Nantz finished 25th.

The harriers have two more meets to finish their season, one of which is the regionals at Grand Rapids.

Hilltop Viewpoint

—Scrivener Covert

Looking at the French calendar in Room 206, I realize that it has been under six weeks since those long lost days of summer. Ah, what memories! There was the Atlantic by moonlight, the Eiffel Tower by moonlight, the Moulin Rouge—who needed moonlight? What infinite blessings are bestowed, under the guidance of Mr. Deur, upon us who diligently study our languages!

As is the custom at this time, we have honored our Alma Mater with Homecoming. Despite the loss of our bonfire and game, the dance was a tremendous success! Congrats to Mart V.P., incidentally.

Although football is still in progress, we can't overlook the coming basketball season. Regular basketball practice starting date has been set by Mr. Earl Borr as November 10. So all you future basketballers, exert your dormant energy and shoot some baskets, even if it is in your own backyard.

"We're from 'U' High, couldn't be

Whirling Twirling Gadget

From Los Angeles to New York everyone's playing with the biggest craze ever to hit the United States. For the past six months this country has been hipped on hoops. As the song says, "From three to one hundred and ten, everyone can play with the Hula Hoop."

Why did the Hula Hoop, which has been a basic toy for a hundred years, become a fad? Spud Melin, who is a part owner of the Wham-O Manufacturing Company, San Gabriel, California, heard about their phenomenal sales in Australia and made a few hoops out of a stiff, light plastic. He demonstrated them personally at local parks and schools. After he hooped it up, kids started buying them by the thousands and the hoops rolled East. This is explained by their versatility which attracts not only children but adults.

There are red ones, blue ones, yellow and greens ones, big ones, small ones, fat and thin ones. For the most part, they are all the same—a circular band of plastic ranging from one to three feet in diameter, selling from 79 cents to \$1.98.

The technique for Hula Hooping is supposedly simple. Hug the hoop to your back side—push hard with your right hand—then rock, don't twist, swing and sway. As one educator

put it: "It is merely necessary to exert a small but carefully regulated impulse, the product of force x time, by allowing a hypersensitive sacroiliac to impinge on a small portion of the interior of the hoop. The impulse serves to change the angular momentum of the hoop. If this impulse is directed so that the momentum opposes the force of gravity, a horizontal motion will be maintained." This according to the professor is as easy as falling off a log.

Hoops are used for many things. Once you have mastered the simple technique, you can hoop-it up while walking, skipping, running, tap dancing or baton twirling. Hoop diving is a popular after-practice activity for swimming clubs. Young children run through rolling hoops. Older people use them to reduce and relax muscles.

You can find hoops in backyards, on playgrounds and beaches, at barbecues and cocktail parties. Hula Hoop contests are held all over. Records of 3½ hours of hooping have been made and as many as 14 hoops have been revolving around a single torso at one time.

There is just one danger. If you get the urge to try, remember the little girl who got so involved she revolved right out of her pants!

—Sue Brannock

Concert Corner

The 'U' High band, under the new direction of James B. Hause, journeyed to Coldwater, Michigan, to participate in the annual Southern Michigan Marching Festival. There they used a "Country Fair" theme for a ten minute performance and captured a second rating.

The band is looking forward to two playing dates. On October 25, members will participate in Western Michigan University's Homecoming parade. The following Friday, October 31, the musicians will play and march at the Otsego football game. In both performances the drum major, Herschal Hill, and baton twirlers, Susan Faunce and Elaine Northam, will display new uniforms.

Do re mi . . . are familiar sounds coming from the music room as the choir prepares for its first concert. The group is going to sing a selection of sacred hymns for the Faith Reformed Church on October 26.

Since unity is always important in music, the choir plans to redecorate the music room together. New chairs arrived and soon there will be new paint on the walls. Jean Buelke has added an attractive mural.

Officers for this year are Lee Mimms, president, and Suna Tiefenthal, secretary-treasurer.

Did You Know That . . .

. . . the following Juniors and Seniors are enrolled in WMU courses? German: David Hamilton, Kathleen Kersjes, Mary Peelen and Richard Strube; Latin: Robert Awgaitis, Emily Jackson and Ann Kercher; Foundations of Western Civilization: Richard Strube and William Whitbeck; French: Elizabeth Manske, Barbara Smith and Richard Strube; Spanish: Richard Colby and Tom Wierman.

. . . Inez Dale danced and Sue Ann Russell was a member of the chorus in the Civic Theater production of "Plain and Fancy?"

. . . Mr. Robert Soderman, who teaches physical education, was football captain in 1954 at Muskegon High School and also football captain at WMU in 1956?

. . . Susan Van Riper was offered an audition in Ann Arbor to join a symphony with 150 members?

. . . Marth Van Peenan, Emily Jackson and David Anderson flew to New York for a 4 day U.N. Seminar? The Kalamazoo Citizenship Educational Committee sent them with 10 other students from other schools.

. . . James Birch has been signed by a night club in New York State to entertain with his guitar and singing for two months next year?

Cheerful Earful

A certain 'U' High boy has become very interested in Nazareth Academy and its students. Care to comment, Gary Roon?

The Homecoming Dance brought out many new couples. Jon Carlson and Mary Wise, Dave Stafford and Carol Maus, Dave Hamilton and Penny Scott, and Bill Whitbeck and Sue Harada are a few examples.

Summer can produce great things, like letters with a Yale return address . . . way to go, Rosemary Sugden.

At Katy Johnson's party, Linda Barak was alarmed at her extreme dandruff problem. Here it was only Lee Mimms and the salt shaker.

If you see Dave Stafford or Tim Lenderink walking down the hall frowning, you will have to be patient and wait until they get new caps put on their front teeth.

You often hear Judy Lenderink humming the tune of the song "Born Too Late." The next time you see her, ask her why.

Eleanor Grubb is a "happy note" in band, isn't she, John Van Riper?

Gary Shoudy thought he should have been king of the Homecoming Dance. After all, he escorted Martha Van Peenan.

Chuck Henry was as gentle as a lamb with his "Shepherd" at that dance.

Styles of sacks and chemises

Are soaring high above,
But many a 'U' High lassie,
Still is wearing last year's love. . .

Mart Boudeman, Bonnie Blankenburg, Lynn and Ann Larzelere, Nancy Shepherd, Judy Jacobson, and Ann Potter.

Ron Schutz is helping the new student policy along by making Ann Shaw feel at home.

Susie Van Riper and Kathy Kersjes have one thing in common: men on Central's football team.

The "king" in Ann Cassady's heart is Mike Kingscott from Central.

Tom Beattie is back on his feet and dancing yet. Did you watch his diet, Jane Harada?

Who was that Fred Astaire at Western's dance, Peg Eaglesome?

Jane Mahoney doesn't care too much about our rivalry with Portage since she makes it a "steady" custom to be nice to Mike Spiller.

Bill Hightower exceeds the pedestrians' speed limit every night getting to Central. Dory Simpson sure keeps you moving, Bill.

Mary Howard and Pete Landt have been seen making the rounds lately.

Any day we're expecting to hear Western frosh, Ed Verity, is suffering from broken ribs; do you have to nudge him so hard, Fran Fleckenstein?

What is this irresistible attraction of college men? In Ann Kercher's case, it's having graduated from 'U' High as Jerry Cross did.