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Looking Ahead

Fri., Feb. 27—Basketball Otsego, there

Fri., Sat., Feb. 27-28—"The Gypsy Baron," Civic Theater, 8:00 P.M.

Mon., March 2—District Basketball Tournament begins

Tues., March 3—Town Meeting Assembly, 9:15, Little Theater

NFLW Now in Progress

"Bonjour, ou allez-vous si vite?"

"Voy a la clase de espanol: Via vd. al juego esta noche?"

"Certe, puto nostros pueros Plainwell victuros esse."

"Como salio Vd. en ese examen ayer?"

"Il etait tres difficile mais je pense—Regardez! Qui est cette 'slick chick'—la?"

"Non scio, sed explorabo!"

Whatever the words, however you say them, wherever you hear them, the meaning is the same; for people of the world are far more alike than different. This is the spirit of National Foreign Language Week which is being observed now from February 15-21. Sponsored by Alpha Mu Gamma, the National Foreign Language Honor Society, NFLW has for its emphasis, "Languages—the Key to Brotherhood, the one Door to Tomorrow."

On exhibit in the Campus School Library are travel folders and pamphlets and books in foreign languages. **Youth Abroad** by Joachim Joesten is a new, highly recommended book.

UNIVERSITY HIGH

Highlights

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Choir Readies "The Gypsy Baron"

Strauss's Comic Operetta February 27-28

Hear ye, hear ye! "Pin back your shell-pink ears and I'll fill them to capacity." So says Miranda in the 1959 operetta of the 'U' High choir, under the direction of Mr. Jack Frey.

Johann Strauss's "The Gypsy Baron," a production in two acts, will be given at the Civic Theater on February 27-28 at 8:00 P.M. Tickets will be \$1.00 for adults and students and 50c for children.

"The Gypsy Baron" is the tale of a widow and a widower, both in financial straits, who set out to marry their children to wealth in order to better their own position. Since their children are of different minds, a very comical situation results. And if you want to know how it all ends, come to see it.

The characters are double cast and are as follows: Hans Blinder, proprietor of "The Silver Swan": **David Hackney-James Birch**; Sandor, a gypsy guide: **Bob Hartman-David Schau**; William Power, from Punxsuatawney,

Pa.: **Alfred Curtenius**; Elaine, Power's daughter: **Suna Tiefenthal-Elizabeth Manske**; Mrs. Vera Little, a wealthy widow: **Brenda Forester-Austra Sweet**; Senorita Carita Manuella, from Spain: **Karen Buelke-Vicki Vanderberg**; Babetta Bouilla-Baisse, a famous dancer: **Robin Robinson-Holly Burnett**; Iota, from Dakota: **Pam Noble**; Ida, from Idaho: **Paula Hosick-Mary Ann Olson**; Miranda Dingleberry, from Oshkosh, Wisconsin: **Polly Lawson-Sue Brannock**.



"Will you marry me?" gushes Sue Brannock to Jim Birch. Amused, Dave Hackney looks on.



"Tootsie, my leetle tootsie roll," coo Robin Robinson and Holly Burnett to a bored Mike Schrier.

Jest for a Laugh

JIM BIRCH had a MERRY time when he saw BURLING fall down in front of the science building. You could at least have helped her, Jim.

Ann Stafford's biological motto; "SEE WORM—WILL TRAVEL!"

Miss Cleveland displayed great faith in Webster when she promised any student one month's teaching salary for proof that TONGUE is spelled TOUNGE.

After explaining that after the Civil War railroad ties were wound around trees, Mr. Lawrence brilliantly added, "AND IT ISN'T VERY EASY TO FIX THEM WHEN THAT HAPPENS." You learn something every day!

We all know that using incorrect diction can be embarrassing, but when MISS GIEDEMAN, who was answering a diction question at this certain time, addressed the boy by calling him GORY SHOUDY, it was the ultimate in embarrassment.

Headless body! Heart attack! What one mis-given mark can do! Nothing could console ALICE TERRY, not even her father's remark, "Well, anyway, like George Washington, you went down in history," until she found out that the "D" on her report card should have been a "B."

Sophomore Vocational Day helped many students in deciding upon possible careers. The girls, after meeting those KELLOGG HIGH BOYS, decided nothing could beat HOMEMAKING!

Butch Doerschler, why in the world does Mr. Reuschlein always make you MOVE ONE SEAT AWAY from Sue Faunce when the lights are turned off for a movie?

About four of the senior girls are really loaded with SCHOOL SPIRIT. When one of their friends failed to show up at the stag dance, they went over to her house and threw her into the snow. Cold, wasn't it, JOAN SIMCOX?

Whitbeck Cited for English

William Whitbeck, a senior, was selected among the 18 winners in the state and among 633 national winners in the 1958-59 Achievement Awards Program sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English.

Whitbeck's name will be sent to all the nation's colleges and universities with recommendation that he be considered for scholarships.

More than 2,300 high school students participated in the contest. Judgment was based on two essays: one, an assignment and the other, impromptu, and on a two hour objective test of correct usage and literary comprehension.

Sometimes the Shoe Does Fit

Today at 'U' High we have a newly accepted Honor Society as well as the traditional Honor Roll. We have talked long and hard about attaining the right attitude toward study in order that we may maintain a high academic standing. We have heard comments from college freshmen about how hard college is and how hard we should be studying now. We have done much to emphasize academic growth. This emphasis is good, but as we gradually apply ourselves to this, we must also work on the humility at 'U' High.

Humility is a quality that is lost to many of us. Perhaps not so much individually, but as a group, we appear self-satisfied and above the public schooler.

We are too good to try anything new unless it lifts our pride and honors our name in public. A different library system was unthinkable because we were above changing. It inconvenienced us and we were arrogant and rude because our prides were hurt.

Athletics reign high at our school, but we can't lose. We can blame everyone from the coach to the way the floor was waxed, but never ourselves. We forget that it takes years to build a winning team and thus is impossible to do it every year. Why can't we accept losing and still not blame anyone? Is it a guilty conscience? Have we really backed our team all the way?

To us, student teachers are people that come and go each semester. We rarely think of ourselves as below them. Student teachers are here and thus must be tolerated, but never respected. We fail to realize that they are people who want to and can help us. Our lack of humility in this school situation has made college students think twice before wanting to practice teach here.

We have a gym that we can use during the noon hour, but we are too proud to go down there and play a game or dance. We love to watch a few having fun, but we think they are odd for being themselves. We think that dancing is out of place during the day and that playing volleyball is for segregated gym classes.

During the first semester, having a foreign exchange student was a much debated topic. We asked first if it would cut into our social budget. We didn't want to have a student if it would confine our activities. After we realized that having a student would not limit us, we became apathetic toward the subject. It was discussed by a few, while the rest of us swayed either way. Now that we are going to get a student, will we be able to accept him or will we think that we are above him, too?

We have many hopes, we have many new ideas, we have many goals; yet humility is a quality that is often lost . . .

—Susan Harada

Honor Roll Increases; Includes 83 Names

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

Alpha (Four A's with no mark lower than a B): Robert Awgaitis, James Albert, Thomas Betz, Bonita Blankenburg, Benjamin Cannon, Allen Dowd, Richard Eglund, Elizabeth Fox, Philip Fox, Jean Giachino, Natalie Glaser, David Hamilton, Charles Henry, Susan Hilgart, Sally Householder, Judith Larzelere, Lynn Larzelere, Judith Lyttle, Janet Morris, David Murray, Richard Nielsen, Mary Peelen, Anne Potter, Corrine Praus, Sandra Riley, Ward Riley, Ginger Schau, Frances Sprau, Richard Strube, David Stulberg, Vicki Vanderberg, Gail White, Sherry Wilson, Mary Wise, Judith Woodward, and Brian Wruble.

Beta (Three A's with no mark lower than a B): Michael Bildner,

Charlotte Calhoun, Thomas DeVries, Judith Grubb, Jane Harada, Lynn Harrison, Mary Householder, Ann Kercher, Polly Lawson, Patricia Linn, Kate MacDonald, Gretchen Maus, David Roekle, Carol Schoenhals, Susan Schroeder, Joseph Sugg, Susan Tiefenthal, Carol Vanderbrook, William Whitbeck, and Thomas Wierman.

Gamma (Two A's with no mark lower than a B): Marilyn Beattie, Patricia Bestervelt, Jon Carlson, Scott Carter, James Coggan, Richard Doyle, Susan Faunce, Patricia Gary, Michael Greiner, Polly Greiner, Peter Hames, Lyle Hohnke, Paula Hosick, Patricia Johnson, Virginia Kent, Robert Keyser, Rudolph Light, George Lode, Janet Lyttle, Susan Margolis, Marilee Masterson, Peter Miller, Joan Plooy, David Schau, Susan VanRiper, Mark Wenner, and Cherrill Wilcox.

South Haven Rams Cubs in 47-35 Win

Future Cage Stars Shine

The Cublets, having a 7 won-5 lost record, have been playing good ball. The feeling of teamwork has become more prominent and the basic attitude of the team has improved. According to Coach Beighley, all of the boys have played and almost all have scored. At the moment, they are concentrating on defense.

At Lowell, Michigan, the sporadic Cublets lost by a hairbreadth's margin, 52-51. Tim Duncan sank 15 points while Eglis Lode put in 14.

Twelve boys scored in the 55-34 victory for the little Cubs against Vicksburg. Tim Duncan, again high point man, scored 11, while Scott Carter and Art Gaylord dunked 10 points each. During the first three quarters, the playing was slow, but in the fourth quarter the Cublets broke and scored 22 points.

Alleghan's Reserve team proved to be a tough foe, but the little cagers slid by with a 61-59 victory. Barry DeKreek poured in 18 points to take honors as high point man.

Pre-Dick-tions—

—by Colby

'U' High vs. Plainwell

Plainwell is enjoying one of its most successful years in basketball and has all but wrapped up the Wolverine Conference title. Earlier in the year the Trojans whipped the Cubs by 17 points and there are no indications that this game will be much closer.

Plainwell 55-'U' High 41

'U' High vs. Otsego

Although 'U' High defeated Otsego, 73-57, once this year, the Bulldogs should be slightly favored in this contest. The Cubs played one of their best games of the year against Otsego, but since then, they have not reached such heights. There's a good chance for upset, but I pick Otsego. Otsego 61-'U' High 55

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Last night Portage defeated 'U' High in an exciting contest 62-53.

Close Games Show Steady Improvement

In the game that replaced the cancelled Alpena trip, the Red and White went down to a heartbreaking defeat 69-68, at the hands of Lowell, Michigan.

The first half was one of the best 'U' High has played all year. In the first quarter, although outscored 19-18, the Cubs hit a phenomenal eighty percent of their shots. The second period of play proved to be even more exciting and the visiting 'U' High team went in at half time with a 41-37 lead over the Arrows. The Cubs fought valiantly in the second half but again met defeat as the breaks were against them all evening.

Pacing the scoring attack for 'U' High were Tom Brown, who ripped the cords for a very commendable 22 points, and Dave Stafford and Tom Fleckenstein who threw in 15 and 10 respectively.

Bad luck plagued the Cubs all weekend as they were upset the night before by a spirited Vicksburg team 49-41.

From the opening tipoff, it was readily apparent that the Bulldogs were intent on marring the homecoming activities.

The Cubs played heads-up ball for most of the night, but Vicksburg wasn't to be denied and when the final buzzer sounded, they had their first win of the season and their first in 25 consecutive games.

Frosh Win Latest Games

Once again the freshman basketball team is adding to their win column by downing two conference rivals. Alleghan folded under the little Cubs' attack by a score of 32-28. The next attempt to beat 'U' High was made by Portage, but they fell to the way-side by a score of 42-37.

New shooting ability has been found in Tom Beattie and Bob Engels with a high of 7 points for the Alleghan game. Peter Miller led the team to the second victory with a ten point total.

Varsity Hopes to Top Trojans Friday Night

Last Friday night 'U' High's luckless Cubs were downed by South Haven 47-35 in a Wolverine Conference encounter. This defeat lowered their league record to three wins and five losses. Friday 'U' High engages Plainwell's league leaders on the opponents' floor.

The Cubs were paced by Sophomore Dave Stafford, who tallied 11 points, and the all-around playmaker, Tom VanderMolen.

It was a very low scoring contest with the Rams ahead at the end of the first quarter 12-8 and at the conclusion of the half, 20-17.

During the second half the game proceeded as the first until the beginning of the 4th quarter. Then South Haven scored ten straight points to put the game out of reach.

Although 'U' High has a losing record, the team has often played a brand of basketball better than the books show.

The only consolation to the fans who traveled from Kalamazoo was the fact that the Reserves walked away with a 63-49 win. They were headed by Scott Carter and Tim Duncan, with 15 and 13 points respectively.

Hilltop Viewpoint

—Scrivener Covert

The great man, whose birthday we celebrated last Thursday, once remarked, "The value of life is to improve one's condition." Our condition is very sad. We must rise too early each morning, trudge to school, trudge home again with so much homework that we never glaze over Echo Valley any more. No labor union would work like this for a day, and without pay! It's very sad.

I'm contemplating becoming a pearl diver in the South Seas. Just imagine, lying on the beach until I'm medium-well, or going swimming and surfacing with a few thousand worth of white beads, all to a background of native music. The natives, beautiful girls dancing all night, brave, handsome warriors swimming to shore with a dozen fish on each spear.

But alas, I'm manacled to this school. I'll have to improve my condition here. Maybe I should be working instead of dreaming . . . Spending my last thirty-five cents for a ticket to the game instead of for more candy . . . having more school spirit instead of letting the next person do it . . . mmm, that native music!

Otsego, Here We Come!

We have a team of which to be proud, Consisting of Vandie, Stafford, and Dowd; Also, we have some guards that are fine, Like Hamilton, Brown, and Fleckenstein. But that's not all; there are many more; Say Jackson, Ketcham, and good Coach Borr. With such great material and coaching to use, Keep our record coming! Let's not lose. Instead, let's beat those Bulldogs tonight, Or at least put up a vicious fight.

—John Quiring

Candid Candy Shots

The Western Michigan University Co-op, not to be confused with a farming co-op, opens at 8:00 in the morning. When they open up the doors (they always do, because if they didn't, how could anyone get in to buy candy and stuff?), someone always stumbles and falls in, i.e. either he is leaning against the doors or he is pushed in by the ensuing mob.

The mob that flows in to the Western Michigan University Co-op are mostly 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th graders that attend University High. That group consists of many types of customers. There is the business-like buyer, who rushes up to the counter, raps his dime on the glass, and speaks quickly, "Please give me a cream filled, glazed, jelly roll," and immediately commences to methodically eat his cream filled, glazed, jelly roll. On occasion, he forgets to take the cellophane wrapping off.

Then, there is the nonchalant buyer, who saunters up to the counter, flips his nickel on the glass, on which the rolling coin never fails to keep right on going over on to the floor, and says, "Give me a Payday."

Next in line, is the indecisive customer, who talks with his friend until the polite clerk asks if he would want anything. (The majority of this group are girls). The student finally turns, leans back from the counter, and scans the scads of food, mumbling, "Let me see . . . Butter Rum . . . no . . . well . . . I guess I'll . . . no . . ." By that time the bell has rung, the student is tardy, and excuses must be made during the trek to the office.

Although not in line yet, the last minute buyer must not be excluded. He will rush into the Co-op, purchase a bag of Sugar Babies, empty the bag into his gaping mouth, and run off to class, choking. As the last minute buyer dashes into class, he is paradoxically praying for a test, for the gook has stuck his teeth together and he cannot open his mouth. The crafty teacher, however, always catches the desperado, and shortly after, he is telling Mr. Norris his dilemma in sign language.

So the morning rolls on until 12:10, when a large contingent that doesn't like the rice and "golashes" being served at the cafeteria, rushes in to try to get the last of the raisin pies and Twinkies. The few stragglers are left to Bit-O-Honeys and Planter's Peanuts.

With that "food" eaten, they become thirsty and the line for the Cokes is already started. When they have their Cokes, they sneak off into a corner, delicately sipping. As it always happens, an equally thirsty friend, who lacks coin for his own, will come along, and the one who is delicately sipping will immediately thrust his Coke behind his back, spilling it over his pants as he does.

Finally the day is over, and after the last hour finals, the clerks sneak back behind the files to munch contentedly on a Hershey bar.

—Brad Hodgman

The Eternal Feminine

In all honesty there is not much I dislike about boys. I am a girl; therefore I like boys. This is an axiom as old as the human race and nobody had to discover it the way Newton needed a lump on his pate to discover the law of gravity.

Most boys I like, but there is one type I shun. He is the one who feels that this is a man's world and that woman was just a bad second thought on the part of God. This boy is sure he is superior just because his father is a man and he, too, was born male. He feels himself physically and mentally above the Babe Didricksons, the Marie Curies, the Alcotts, the female Brownings, and all great women of the ages—just by virtue of his sex.

He has never heard of the theory (not proven) that men are just incompleated women and therefore the weaker sex. Or the story that God, having created Adam, thought he could do better; so he created Eve.

This is the boy all girls have sympathy for. He is conceited, deceived by his mirror, and rather unpopular as a topic of conversation. He thinks he is superior, and we, feeling sorry for him, will let him go on thinking it.

—Chris Cooper

My Foot's in My Mouth Again!

"She wouldn't dare give us a test today. We had one yesterday."

"They'll never miss me at the assembly."

"I'll call her up and have her bring my books home to me."

"I can afford to stay in bed just five more minutes."

"Why study for the test? My neighbor will know the answers."

"I'm not going to take my money tomorrow. They'll extend the deadline just one more day."

"I'll pretend I didn't hear the assignment; then I won't have to do it."

"Well, if that's the way you feel about it, go right ahead and go with someone else."

"It won't be necessary for me to take my gym suit home this weekend. She won't check for clean clothes."

"Guess I'll skip math tonight. Mr. Hackney won't make us hand in our homework tomorrow."

Cheerful Earful

The song, "TALL PAUL" has a special meaning for **Marilee Master-son**. Her tall Paul is at the University of Southern California.

Dee Reavis has a tremendous appetite recently. At least, it looks that way since she stops at a certain grocery store every night. Or could **Dick Galbreath**, who works there, be the reason rather than hunger?

Joan Schau has us baffled, confused and wondering about D.W. Is it **Dave Wilson** or **Dave Warren**?

While strolling through the park on a recent moonlit night, **Jack Rollart**, a Cranbrook junior, leaned close to **Inez Dale** and whispered, "I want to show you Niagara Falls soon." Wow, what a grand surprise! Where have you been hiding this fellow, Inez?

Could it be that **John Richardson** and **Carol Schoenhals** are walking on the same cloud?

Theorem: Central has many attractions for our 'U' High boys.

Proof: **Rod Baker** and **Sue Shipley**, **Steve Maloney** and **Charlene Falvey**, **Pete Landt** and **Lucy Cristy**, **Joe Sugg** and **Ann Cristy**.

"Dan Cupid," busy at work, has pierced the hearts of **Bob Lee** and **Anne Potter**.

Little **Sukie** has **Correlated Bob Engels**. Meanwhile, back on the ranch, **Bill Bildner** has been showing a Milwaukee girl the ropes.

Karen Buelke and **Jim Baker** have recently gone to the snowy grounds for bravery tests. Tell us, **Karen**, did **Jim** keep his eyes open while going down the toboggan slide at Echo Valley?

Choir is becoming more interesting for **Dave Hackney**, especially since he has noticed **Louise Forsleff**.

A tummy ache found **Mike Kemerling** coming home from Homecoming and leaving **Cathy Roberts** dateless.

We see that **Dan Gilchrist** has finally gotten into the swing of things and **Virginia Kent** is swinging along with him.

Every time we walk down the hall we notice **George Brown** and **Linda Barak** busily engaged in conversation. Hmhmhmhmhmhm.

Holly Burnett is "Schuur" crazy about a senior named **Bruce**.

Mike Bildner decided to get the new semester off to a good start. His first date was **Suna Tiefenthal**.

Pat Jarman, what was your solution when one beau came to pick you for a date and another one decided to stay and keep you company?

Working at Schensul's has more value than just money for **Dawn Isaacs** and **Jack Reisterer**.

Recently **Ginger Schau** and **Cinda Cox** have been seen at the St. A. games. Now what's there that we haven't got?

Dick Bennink and **Elaine Northam** are having fun going together! They even celebrated their birthdays on the same day.