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Highlander Sales to Close; Buy Yours Now

"The glorious days at Normal High
Are fading from our view,
And as we pass from out your halls
We bid you all adieu.
Though wealth and fame knock at
our door,
Though fortune bids us on,
We are not rich but truly poor,
For the happy days are gone."

This literary masterpiece was the school song as engraved and bordered in yellow in the 1923 **Highlander**. In that year, however, the **Highlander** wasn't a book in itself, but a part of Western's annual, whose editor was Mr. Ernest Weber.

As spunky as a fly saturated with Raid, the **Highlander** part contained such succinct phrases as these, referring to a Halloween party, "Fortune telling, games and dancing were the diversions of the evening. Refreshments consisted of punch and wafers. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present."

The magic number concerning the 1923 annual is 36. It was published 36 years ago and contained 36 pages. The 1959 **Highlander** has added exactly 100 to that number.

Though this year's book probably won't live up to such ancestral humor as this pun on the "High School Cracks" page,

"Miss Cooley: 'When you examine a dog's lungs under a microscope, what do you see?'"

"W. Ransom: 'The seat of his pants, I suppose.'",
it has enough new features to make up for the lack.

Thus far, 200 books have been sold. This means 150 people have not yet bought books. As Thomas E. Brazill wrote in the history of the class of 1923, "Happy moments will soon be but memories and we shall always cherish the recollections of the days upon the hill-top." Keep your memories permanently through a 1959 **Highlander**.

Book Reviews, Play Reading at Senior Literary Tea

On March 19, the English Department will sponsor a literary tea for the senior girls and their mothers. This will be held in the campus school library after school.

The program includes an original poem by Suna Tiefenthal, reviews of **A Single Pebble**, Hersey, by Sandra Riley, **Neighbor Rosickey**, Willa Cather, by Judith Grubb, and **Roots of Heaven**, Domain, by Gretchen Maus. Mary Wise, Rebecca Bahlman, and Susan Hilgart will read parts of the play, **J. B.** by MacLeish.

Chairmen for this event are: Program, Marilyn Beattie; hospitality, Patricia Linn; refreshments and decorations, Susan Faunce.

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Summer Trippers to Tour West

New Orleans Ends Spring Vacation Jaunt

Would you like to climb Mt. Rushmore or is a boat ride on the Mississippi River more your style? With the student trips planned by Mr. Deur, either or both are possible.

On March 27 a train will leave Kalamazoo with a group of 'U' High students on the first tour planned for this year, with New Orleans as destination. This trip features a boat ride on the Mississippi and a tour of south Louisiana bayous.

On a western camping trip this summer, the group will travel by bus and camp in state or national parks along the way. The main points of interest on this trip will include the Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone National Park, the Tetons, Salt Lake City and most of all, a visit to Disneyland. The entire cost of this trip will be \$198. Fifteen students have already signed up, but ten more are needed.

Students Get TB Check

A tuberculin testing program will be given for 'U' High students as well as junior high and elementary on March 9 and 11. This will be a skin test on the forearm to indicate whether or not the student has been exposed to tuberculosis.

Two days after the test is given, the test spot will be examined and the parents will be informed regarding the results. A student with a positive test should have a chest X-ray because it is necessary to see whether the germs have been walled off by the body and are harmless, or whether they have caused damage to the lungs.

Last Friday afternoon John Rutherford, by an original composition and an extemporaneous speech, won first place in the Kalamazoo American Legion Oratorical Contest.

On March 6 John will represent the Joseph B. Westnedge Post in the Third Congressional District Contest.

Looking Ahead

Tues.-Sat., Mar. 10-14—Basketball Regional Tournaments

Wed.-Sat., Mar. 18-21—Basketball State Tournament

Tues., Mar. 17—Assembly, 10:15, Little Theater

Thurs., Mar. 19—Senior Literary Tea, 3:30 p.m.

Fri., Mar. 20—New Student Orientation, 1:30 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 21—Science Day at WMU

Tues., Mar. 24—Spring Music Festival, 7:30, gym

Dr. G. Osborn to Speak at WMU Science Day

The 1959 Science Day for regional high school students will be held Saturday, March 21, on Western Michigan University's west campus.

Science teachers from southwestern Michigan will each bring three or four students to see the many science and mathematics exhibits and to participate in the group discussions which will follow an address by Dr. Gerald Osborn, Dean of the WMU School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Dr. Osborn's subject will be, "The Place of Science in a World of Confusion."

This year, for the first time, a special effort is being made to bring superior students to Kalamazoo for the program. If you wish to attend the Science Day activities, you are asked to obtain from your math or science teacher a registration blank to be filled out by March 14. A \$1 registration fee will be charged to cover part of the cost of the noon banquet. The university, which sponsors the Science Day, will pay the balance.

WOW!

Come one, come all
Don't miss barrels of fun!
Booths, prizes on March 21
Best CARNIVAL under the sun!

Jest for a Laugh

An experiment to prepare methane and acetylene was not very successful for the 8:15 chemistry class. GEORGE LODGE and DICK OBREITER covered the ceiling with soot, STEPHANIE WENNER and BRIAN WRUBLE produced burned rubber and pleasant fumes, and MR. ENGELS discovered a dead turtle near MARY PEELEN'S setup.

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Some people love to talk during class, but AL CURTENIUS prefers to sing. When MR. LAWRENCE asked our songster to solo before the history class, some brain piped up, "Sing, STANDIN' IN THE NEED O' PRAYER." Oh, perfect, Al, perfect.

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MRS. MONROE began a recent SPANISH I class in a way that was rather startling to her students. She greeted them and gave them instructions in FRENCH.

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No, you have not had too much to drink. Yes, your eyes are perfectly O.K. It's just that INEZ DALE has bleached her hair once too often, and it has a LAVENDER tinge. Well, at least, Inez, the color will be very effective with your Easter outfit.

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DAVE HAMILTON, alias BETTY CROCKER, was the only member of the chemistry class who could solve the mystery of what changes dough to cake. Maybe the girls should transfer to home ec.?

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The other day in history a certain boy, explaining the decrease in population during the Civil War, proclaimed, "EXPECTANT mothers weren't EXPECTING because the EXPECTANT fathers were away on the battle line, so . . ." Is that really true, JIM BIRCH?

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The screams of protest recently heard from the girls' locker room are nothing to get alarmed about. It was just CINDA COX'S friends (?) throwing her in the SHOWER.

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In homeroom meeting when the rice-logged students were asked HOW ELSE the cafeteria could get rid of all that rice, PHIL FOX came up with a brilliant suggestion, "GIVE IT TO CHURCHES FOR WEDDINGS."

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MARY PEELEN received quite a scare when sly JOHN TODD crept silently into the back seat of her car while she was waiting for a light to change. Well, boys will be boys.

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When discussing the problem of exterminating pestiferous animals, STEPHANIE WENNER said that she used to put CANDLES down in mole holes. MR. ENGELS replied, "What did you do that for? Don't you know that MOLES CAN'T SEE?"

Enthusiasm: A Way of Life

It takes more than just living to love life.

Living is defined as being, existing. Yet, loving life does not emanate from merely being or existing, but from experiencing, from giving to life.

A blind person, never having witnessed the burning red of a sunset or the misty pink of a sunrise, does not love the sight of either.

A deaf person, acquainted with neither the roar of a crashing waterfall nor the hush of lapping waves on a beach, has no identification with their sounds.

Likewise is the exister, the "apathetic liver." Because he has not experienced or participated in the sounds and sights of life, he can have no love for life itself.

Love for life can begin with the smallest circumstances.

A father, weary and worried from the heavy responsibilities and problems of the day, receives a gentle, generously wet kiss from his little daughter. The surging oceans of trust and love that her kiss gives him soon flood over the silent pools of worry in his heart.

A lost camper, having fallen asleep from exhaustion in the dark void of a moonless night, awakens the following morning to a verdant, color sprinkled clearing, while listening to the joyful lyrics of a choir of birds.

The farmer has no greater feeling than the one at harvest time. Every hour of toil, every minute of prayer shows its worth as the lush, saffron wheat is piled higher and higher on groaning wagons.

The father, the camper, and the farmer have at least once "experienced" life. They probably will never forget those special instances. They gave . . . they received in the same measure. In fact, that which they received was more, for somehow, sometimes in the most humble way, life manifests its love for people, too.

Small circumstances are but fractions of the sum of the experiences of life. When we add these fractions together, how perfectly valuable and desirable life becomes. How immensely worthy of our best love life is.

If we are "aware livers," "participators" in life, not simply existers, we will love, unlike the blind man and sight or the deaf person and sound, life. We will have realized, and proved, that it takes more than just living to love life.

—Judith Lyttle

Concert Corner

On April 26, the Kalamazoo Junior Symphony Orchestra will present its last concert for the '58-'59 year.

'U' High members of the group are Charles Henry, trombone; David Stulberg, cello; Rosemary Sugden, violin; Susan VanRiper, flute; Judith Woodward, flute; and Brian Wruble, oboe.

The Red and White Revue is underway. The coordinating committee is planning a great show for which they plan to sell 'standing room only.'

Committee members are: Chairman—Judy Woodward; Publicity—Herschall Hill; Tickets—Carolyn Moore; Swing Band—Bob Lee; Costumes—Sue Faunce; Stage Manager—Dick Howard; Properties—Skip Baden; Choir Representative—Lee Mimms; Student Council—Chuck Henry; Set Designing—Suna Tiefenthal; Hospitality—Elizabeth Manske; Choreography—Marilyn Beattie and Sandy Riley.

The band, making it all the way with all four judges, received a "1" rating on its performance in the recent regional contest. As a result the band will go to the state rating contest in Battle Creek on April 18.

Having placed first in the Southern Michigan Solo and Ensemble Festivals recently, Susan Van Riper and Judith Woodward, flutists, and Charles Henry, trombonist, will go to Ann Arbor on March 21 to compete in the state contest.

The Kalamazoo Male Chorus audition was won by Charles Henry, who will receive a \$100 Scholarship and will join the other chorus members on April 25 to play a fifteen to twenty minute trombone solo. David Schau in voice was chosen as alternate.

On March 24, the Spring Inter-school Music Festival will be held in the gym at 7:30. The Campus School's elementary, junior high, and high school bands will participate in this program especially planned for the parents of the members. Featured that night will be Charles Henry, a flute trio and a trumpet trio.

Second Halves Fateful; Portage, Plainwell Win

The Cubs, who have shown vast improvement in the last few games, have nevertheless been unable to break the last quarter jinx. At both Plainwell and Portage, the team slowed up after three quarters of close play, to lose 51-55 and 62-53, respectively.

At Portage the Red and White five showed a confident Mustang squad that 'U' High was not to be easily counted out. Acquiring an early lead, the Cubs allotted the taller team only a three point lead at the most during the whole of the first half. When the teams came back on the floor, Portage jumped into a quick lead, but the Cubs staged a comeback and it was 40-40 going into the last half. By that time, Portage's height began to tell, so that when the final buzzer sounded, Portage had posted its second win over 'U' High. Stafford was tops for the losers with 19 points.

The hotly contested battle at Plainwell was similar. 'U' High lead by one point at the end of the first half and still led by a score of 38-35 at the end of the third quarter. The Trojans then went into a harassing defense that aggravated the tired Cubs, forcing them to make mistakes and ultimately lose the ball game. In the last quarter 'U' High was outscored 20-13.

Irish Drawn for Tournament Clash

Cubs Claw Bulldogs, 60-51

Last Friday, the 'U' High Cubs warmed up for tomorrow night's encounter with St. Augustine by defeating Otsego, 60-51. The Cubs played one of their best games by downing the highly ranked Bulldogs. 'U' High now has a four won, twelve lost record overall and a four-six record in the Wolverine Conference.

Guard Dave Hamilton, who has filled in magnificently for the injured Tom Brown, led all scorers with 22 points. Following Hamilton were Dave Stafford and former reserve, Tim Duncan, with eleven and nine points, respectively.

The first period opened evenly, but finished with the Cubs on top, 19-14. Otsego closed this margin to one point at halftime with some stellar rebounding. But the rejuvenated Cubs were not to be denied. They stretched the halftime lead to seventeen points midway through the final period and grimly staved off a final Bulldog threat to win.

In the reserve game, Otsego's second's nipped the little Cubs, 50-48, in a thriller.

Bob Engels scored 31 points for the freshmen as they downed Otsego in an afternoon game, 73-45.

Local Rivals Prime For Game Tomorrow

Tuesday through Saturday of this week marks the beginning of the many district basketball tourneys to be held simultaneously in Michigan.

As has been true in the last few years, the 'U' High Cubs will again be battling in the Class B district at Portage. But contrary to the past, new teams will be seen. Participating with the "hilltoppers" will be the well-known Kalamazoo St. Augustine and Vicksburg along with two unfamiliar quintets, Comstock and Battle Creek Lakeview. Many fans will remember the latter school as having defeated 'U' High in the state quarter finals three years ago.

In the drawing held at Portage, the Red and White were paired with St. Augustine for Thursday, while Comstock drew Vicksburg. Lakeview received a bye into tomorrow's semifinals of the district. Winners of the Wednesday and Thursday games will meet Saturday night.

This year has been one of rebuilding for the Cubs, apparent by their won-lost record. But in the last few games, particularly at Portage and Plainwell, they have looked extremely good, showing an abundance of team play and aggressiveness. And even though 'U' High will be without the services of senior guard Tom Brown, who sustained an ankle injury a few weeks ago, the Cubs' chances of copping the district crown are potentially good.

Still, based on regular season performances, the title is up for grabs. The Fighting Irish of St. 'A.', the Vicksburg Bulldogs, and the Comstock Colts, none of whom has had more than six wins, are rated about even. Not too much is known about B. C. Lakeview, but from the high caliber of ball clubs that they play in the Twin Valley Conference, one can safely assume that they won't be pushovers.

Reserves Split Two Games

The 'U' High Cublets went, saw, and conquered the Portage Reserves 51-44. The team was not in the best of physical condition, for they were minus two of the first string players. However, Coach Beighley gives the boys credit for having played a good game. Barry DeKreek led the scoring with 16 points, while Art Gaylord and Scott Carter followed with 10 apiece.

Three days after their victorious game at Portage, the Reserves met defeat. A good Plainwell team topped them 54-45.

Baseball and Track Whirl into Season; Appear Strong as First Practice Nears

In the spring a young man's fancy turns to baseball, track, golf, and tennis. So it is at 'U' High where boys have been jumping over sofas, putting at table legs, and "playing catch" during the long winter months. Ground Hog day has passed and soon these athletes will cast their shadows upon the thawing ground. Spring sports will begin.

An interview with varsity baseball coach, Sam Reuschlein, has him saying "We should have a better than average season." Reuschlein's diamond men are strong in the hitting and fielding department but are at a distinct disadvantage by the lack of front line pitching. The loss of Captain Dave Taylor will also hamper them greatly, but with good prospects coming up from last year's reserves, they should acquire more depth.

Coach Reuschlein can expect sound support from returning lettermen Jim Birch, Terry Duncan, Jon Edwards, Larry Groggel, Weldon Johnson, and Donald Ketcham. With Taylor in school at Lansing, the team will have to elect a new captain.

Practice for the season will begin on March 9 for pitchers and catchers,

with others starting on March 16.

The Cubs' first game will be April 8 against the unpredictable Wayland nine.

Mr. Reuschlein will get very able assistance from Mr. Robert Soderman and Mr. Bernie Oom. Mr. Soderman is taking charge of the reserves while Mr. Oom helps out the varsity.

The track season for 1959 promises to be one of the school's best. Coach Roy Walters and his team did not lose a meet last year and they hope to continue their winning ways. Although some members graduated last June, there are enough regulars returning to set a challenging pace. The veteran Cubs, with help added by newcomers, should have a good chance to win the conference title.

Leading the way for the team this year will be Captain Rich Jackson doing the high jump, broad jump, and dashes. Tom Brown will be the chief shot-putter, trying to break his record set last year. Other top prospects include George Lode and Tom Fleckenstein running the half mile, Allen Dowd and Tim Lenderink running 440, and Mike Schrier doing the high jump.

Bro----ther!

Some say there are advantages to being a younger brother, but the people who say this are not little brothers.

Let's start from the beginning, the blessed day in which the last of a family arrives. From that moment on, big brother is planning a way that he can use the youngster to his best advantage.

Then when they both are older and can play Army, guess who always is the Russian? Guess who walks into all the ambushes, who gets shot the most, who does all the odd jobs around the house? You also might try to guess who gets to do the dirty work that must be done? You guessed it—little brother.

After growing up and out of the Western and Army stage and big brother goes off to college, little brother stays behind to do all the work. This isn't bad because he has been doing it all the time anyway. Then big brother comes home and finds out that the infant of the house isn't an infant anymore; so big brother is the one who plays the Russian and big brother is the same person who does some work around the house because big brother isn't so big any more.

The moral of this story is: Big Brother, be kind to little brother in the early stage of the game and take your turn getting killed!

—James Birch

Advice or Versa

Dear Jayne,

I just can't get any dates. All the girls that I call have either headaches or dates. I try to use the right after-shave and to dress well. All my friends tell me I'm handsome. I'm 5 feet 10 inches tall and weigh 150 pounds. I can't be too bad. What's wrong with me?

A Worried Boy

Dear Worried,

Meet me at the corner of Burdick and Main at 8 tonight and I'll tell you.

Dear Jayne,

I have a complaint to 'register!' On the last history test, I missed one question because I copied a wrong answer from the girl who sits next to me. She is usually very smart and I can rely on her for the right answer. Am I justified to be mad at her?

Sharp Eyes

Dear Sharp,

Put your glasses back in their case and get out your history book!

Dear Jayne,

I like my best friend's steady. I know that he would ask me out if he weren't going steady. My girlfriend likes him very much. I've tried to forget him, but I can't. What should I do?

A. Sneak

Dear Sneak,

Put on your armor and prepare to fight.

I Was a Teen-age Warden

Each spring the door of Room 206 closes on a small, clandestine meeting. Scrolls written in purple ink are pulled from satchels; in whispers, names are added and subtracted; the members for the coming year are chosen.

Oh, the elation that fills the heart of the humble student when he is notified that he has been accepted. At last he has found a place among the leaders of the school! He is a monitor!

The following fall he may sit upon his hall post, gazing at the world outside the window, at college students, or at the bugs walking down the basement hall. At first he will scrutinize every permit and carefully spell the names in his book. Later, he will talk to the students and occasionally note their destination, or if he is she, spend her time giving directions to college men who could make a map of the Education building, blindfolded. Eventually he will join the ranks of the atrocious male, Senior monitors. There is the one who is always wandering around on "an errand for Mr. Walters." Another props his feet high against the wall and stares daggers at anyone who disturbs his peace by tiptoeing past.

The hall monitor's best friend is

the office monitor. This character scuffles into a class, winks at the girls, signals the latest news to his friends as announcements are being read or summonses are being passed out, and departs, making a face at the teacher behind her back. His income is slipped to him with a note saying, "Dunt mark me absent in English class."

The study hall monitor is a more ethical, mature person. From his platform he surveys the room to check absentees, acknowledge hands grasping for speaking permits, and catch peanut-eating animals. In a business-like manner he holds conferences with his friends to check if they have slips which must be signed, if they are in the right seat, if they were in the library yesterday, and if they went out last night. He carries a grim expression of martyrdom from having fifty people staring at him, some sketching him, others writing descriptions of him for English class, and the ones with speaking permits gossiping about him.

Nevertheless, above all the monitor is fair. Friend or foe who takes advantage of him "reports to the office at 3:10," no longer a friend, but a more bitter foe.

—Alice Terry

Cheerful Earful

Jim Birch is quite a serenader to Carol Douglas, but Carol had better watch out. Jim's latest song is: "A house, a car, and a wedding ring."

It is hard to talk to Katie Johnson as of late because she says she has been "pinned" down.

Hark, men! It must be that spring has arrived, for like a daffodil, a certain Carol has emerged from beneath the Maus of Dave Stafford's affections and is eagerly looking over the field again.

Liz Manske cannot resist Cadillacs and dinners at Inman's and Bob Hartman knows this secret. Isn't it expensive, Bob?

Another of the confirmed bachelors of the Junior Class has been captured by a vivacious girl. Sue Brannock has the exact formula. Right, Gary Gauthier?

Linda Rogers is dating Larry again. Now we have something to Kidder about.

Al Curtenius acts so Noble when he is with Pam.

Central draws lots of attention as is proved by a freshman's intense interest in a senior boy named Dick. For more information, contact Sue Buchanan.

Correction: We earlier said Charlotte Calhoun was interested in Mat-tawan. We now change that to Wayland High where Ron Merrill attends school.

The Senior class has developed a phantom writer who leaves notes in boys' cars at strange hours of the night.

Terry Duncan's main Joy is a Grossnickle at Central.

Jim Meretta, a junior from Central, hears Hybels every time he thinks of Marianne.

Flash: Reward leading to any information as to who Dave Hackney's Misses "X" and "Y" are.

Mary Ann Olson, do you really go to Battle Creek so much because of church meetings? Or might Norm be the drawing factor?

Anne Cassady's parents can be thankful that John Quiring doesn't live out of town. Hour and ten minute long-distance calls aren't cheap. You two must have quite a past to talk about. Anything we ought to know, Kids?

Wanted by one Alan Mimms: the fastest runner at 'U' High. The payment is \$1.00 if this speedster can teach the very willing Alan the techniques of track. The poor boy is exhausted from racing after Sandi Govatos.

Central's Band Follies had a double interest for Judi Lyttle. First, Dave Petering of the Maroon Giants and then the show.

The merits of girls' sports? They've made Adair Simonds a faster runner—profitable when she's in a hurry to get home to see if there's any mail from Howe Military Academy