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Coming Events

Sat., April 2—Dance, 8:00-11:30.
Tues., April 5—Assembly, 1:15,
Constantine H.S. Band, Little
Theatre.
Wed., April 6—Orientation for new
9th and 10th graders.
Thurs., April 7—PTSO General
Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Gym.
Fri. and Sat., April 8, 9—"The Lit-
tlest Mermaid," WMU Nata-
torium, 8:00 P.M.
Wed., April 13—Senior Girls' Tea,
3:30, Library.
Thurs., April 14—Easter Assembly,
11:15, Kanley Chapel.
Fri., April 15—Spring vacation be-
gins at noon.
Tues., April 26—Classes resume.

Spring Vacation Sends Off New Orleans Travelers

Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. Deur, Mr. and Mrs. R. Knop, Mr. L. Lindeman, and Mr. D. McLinden, a group of students from here and from Central High will visit New Orleans. The trip will be a week in length and will be taken during Easter vacation.

After traveling by train to the city, the group will stay at the Sunny South Motel. During their stay, the travelers will tour New Orleans by bus, walk through the famous French Quarters, take a Mississippi boat trip, and ride through the Louisiana bayous and swamps. In addition to the organized tours, there will be daily swimming in the motel pool, and students may see the sights that interest them particularly.

Included in the group from here are: D. Coggan, H. Crede, M. DeKorte, D. Eliet, S. Greenlee, J. Greiner, K. Gunnette, G. Kohrman, J. Lawrence, P. Miller, B. Percy, W. Shepherd, J. Slaughter, J. Sisson, C. Spenser, J. Toohey, J. VanNus, P. Weaver, and C. Whitfield.

Central High travelers are: S. Blank, D. Dana, B. DeVries, C. Falvey, L. Kool, A. Melnubis, M. Ream, and S. Shank.

Student Orientation April 6

On Wednesday, April 6, 1960, new students will be welcomed to 'U' High. After guides have shown them the campus, they will assemble in the home economics room. Fred Allen will extend a greeting. The newcomers will hear about 'U' High's clubs, committees, and sports from Christine Cooper, Mary Peelen, and David Hamilton, respectively. Miss G. Crisman and Mr. R. Winters will discuss academic schedules.

A pictures display of various school activities will be available. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

UNIVERSITY HIGH

Highlights

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Finettes to Cast 'Littlest Mermaid' Western Natatorium Will Host Presentation

For the first time in 'U' High's history, Western's elaborate swimming pool will be the setting of the annual Finettes' water show.

Hans Christian Andersen's **THE LITTLEST MERMAID** will be the theme of this year's production to be presented April 8 and 9 at 8 P.M.

The mermaid, portrayed by several different participants, has an urge to be on her own. After being permitted to do so, she faces a great decision. She has saved a handsome young man from disaster and has fallen in love with him. Because of her water habitation, she can not marry him until she carries out a certain task.

Performers to be featured in the story in duets are Leslie Schwarz and Christine Cooper and Mary Peelen and David Hamilton. Other acts are done by Martha Boudeman, Ann Stafford, and Lynn Larzelere as one trio, and Mary Howard, Jane Mahoney, and Sandra Govatos as another. Penny Scott will perform a solo.

The complete cast consisting of all thirty-two members of the club will bring the story to a close in a grand finale. Ronald Schutz will be narrator.

Other personnel pertinent to the

production are: Frances Sprau, publicity; Sue Brannock, costumes; Suzanne West, tickets and programs; and Claudia Heersma, decoration.

Tickets will go on sale in a few days for 75 cents and will be obtainable from any club member or at the door.

This show is the product of many long hours of perfecting skills under the direction of the club officers and with the supervision of Mrs. Lloyd Goldsmith.

Music, Student Speakers Tell of Joy from Easter

On April 14 the Easter Assembly will be held in Kanley Chapel at 11:15. The theme this year is "Joy Coming from Easter." Dorothea Reavis and John Rutherford will be the speakers. Charlotte Calhoun and Ann Shaw will read appropriate selections from the Gospel and Christine Cooper will give the prayer.

Musical selections will be presented by the choir in a 15 minute section of the program, with Janet Morris playing the prelude and the postlude.



Chris Cooper, Lynn Harrison, Jane Harada, Leslie Schwarz, Sue West and Kathy DePree practice stunts for "The Littlest Mermaid."

What 'U' All Missed

BEST WISHES OF THE WHOLE SCHOOL go to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Goldsmith (Anita Tedford), who were married last Friday, March 25. Their future home is Middletown, N. Y.

Larry VanPutten asked how to look at a slide with a copper wire on it, saying, "Do you look at it with your BARE EYE?"

Dynamic Johnny Richardson has done it again! But, John, don't you think GOING BAREFOOT in Truesdale's Parking lot IN MARCH just to get your picture in the yearbook another time is going a little too far?

In the back of room 2E there is a file cabinet with a drawer labeled "Bacteria Culture." Could it be that the students are studying the lives of the prevalent RED ANTS to see what types of FOOD they will eat?

Suzy Bahlman has found a new way to release her inner tensions. The only problem is that the BASKETBALLS have proved harder than the GIRLS' HEADS, and Mrs. Goldsmith insists the CASUALTY RATE in her 10:15 gym class is much too high!

There is a child prodigy among the students! Ruth Yzenbaard nonchalantly informed Mrs. Monroe and the 9:15 French class that she was "seize heures" in age. For those of you who don't speak French, that is a tender age of SIXTEEN HOURS!

"You can pronounce it either FEE or FI," Mr. Hackney told the 11:15 Solid Geometry class. He paused reflectively, then added, "I'm not going on to FO or FUM!"

Results of Mr. Walters' talking poll in 11:15 World History: Peter Miller is not so quiet as he looks! He is in first place for TALKING WHEN HE SHOULDN'T BE while Paula Hosick holds second place.

French II really has some thinkers! When the class was told to name some PREHISTORIC ANIMALS, and the usual dinosaurs and monsters had been listed, Jim Brown, determined not to be outdone, exclaimed, "But you forgot all about THE DODO!"

As the 2:15 Biology class was discussing blood pressure, the teacher wrote the fraction, 120/70, and then asked Wes Gerring what it was. He replied, "AN IMPROPER FRACTION."

10:15 Chemistry students have a language all their own. For every possible kind of reaction, their only comment is, "IT LOOKS LIKE AN OILY." Mr. Reuschlein is busy hunting for an interpreter.

Is My Part Important?

Yes, you are University High. You and your fellow classmates are the only ones who can make, uphold, and keep the traditions of this great institution.

But, you ask, am I really part of the school; am I doing my share? Yes, you are, whether your part is large or small; each of you makes up the school. You are 'U' High when you are:

The boy or girl who picks up a scrap of paper and places it in the wastepaper basket to help keep the building clean.

A committee chairman or member striving to make school life more enjoyable and our relationship with other people more pleasant.

An Honor Society member giving up his study time to help improve the study habits of all who ask for his aid.

The athlete attempting to grasp victory for his school or a fan cheering the team on.

A monitor helping others make the most of their study time by keeping order in the study halls.

The person greeting another in the hall and exchanging pleasantries.

A band member receiving the thrill of playing a difficult number correctly.

The starry-eyed couple blissfully dancing along on a cloud at one of the parties.

The young man who shyly asks that cute girl sitting next to him in class for his first date with her.

A scholar busily concentrating on one of the facets of the subject that intrigues him the most.

A hard working and very necessary person who helps behind the scenes at the school's extravaganzas.

The bold prophet predicting that "Major Hoople" is "nuts" and that 'U' High will triumph!

A puzzled math student energetically trying to convince a doubter that A plus B equals C.

One of the performers in the Red and White, the school play, or the water show.

The locker leaner merrily chatting with his newest "flame."

Yes, you, all of you, are University High!

—Eglis Lode

Thinking of Elections

with Gus and Em

High School elections are over for this year, but while we are still thinking about them, we should seriously consider our attitudes about voting for people. To begin with, there are many ways to select "your candidate" from among those running. Some people vote for the candidate they like the best; others vote for the one they dislike the least. Some vote for the handsomest fellow while others (mostly girls) will vote for any girl that runs for anything. And, lastly, there are a few non-conformists who try to vote for the best man. As all of these methods of selection are relatively simple, except the last, we have devoted this article to a few suggestions on how to pick a candidate by his own merits.

First: Is he dependable? Can you always count on him to know the answers to test questions? Or does he sometimes cross you up by not being prepared either?

Second: Is he honest? Does he always tell you when he takes your steady to the movies?

Third: Is he a hard worker? Think back. Did he wax windows as well as all the other guys last Hallowe'en?

Fourth: Has he had experience? Can he pass notes and chew gum in class without being caught?

Fifth: Are you sure you're not letting friendship influence your vote? Remember, even if he did take out your steady, he still may be the best qualified.

Sixth: Are you sure that he is the candidate that can serve you best? Will he be willing to put you on the same committee with that cute blonde you've been wanting to date, get you out of English class by assigning you to some mysterious S.C. project, and fix it so that you don't have to do any hard work?

If the answers to these questions are yes—vote for the other candidate!

Schedules Reveal Caliber of Cub Foes

Forensic Contest Tomorrow

Eight students participating in the National Forensic Association speech contest, will journey to Climax-Scotts High School tomorrow to compete with representatives from five other schools in the district.

The students are entered in the following classifications:

Declamation—Anne Cassidy and Nancy Neal.

Dramatic Reading—Robin Robinson and Inez Dale

Humorous Reading—Sue Correll and Carol Schoenhals.

Original Oration—Roberta Quiring, and John Rutherford.

Winners in the district competition will go on to the regionals at Western Michigan University.

'College Living' Class

Will you be a junior or a senior girl next year? Do you plan to go to college? Would you like to take some home economics, but can't fit it into your schedule? If so, the school's newest course may be for you! Entitled **Successful College Living**, it will be taught three days per week next year by Miss Barbara Gaylor in the home economics department. The scheduling of this ½ credit course will be arranged to permit a study hall on the remaining two days.

Miss Gaylor decided to initiate the course after requests from girls who had heard of similar courses in other schools. From questionnaires that have been filled out by students, it has become apparent that about 50 girls are interested in taking the course, enough for two sections. The questionnaires will also be used to determine the still-uncertain course of study. This much, however, is known for sure: It is not a homemaking class, for there will be no cooking, sewing, or other laboratory work.

Literary Program at Tea

Following an annual custom at the Senior Girls' Literary Tea, the girls and their mothers will be guests of the English Department. This year's event will start at 3:30 P.M. on Wednesday, April 13, in the school library.

Christine Cooper, as chairman, will introduce the girls who will present book reviews, dramatic readings, and original poetry. Participating will be Diana Boudeman, Holly Burnett, Ann Kercher, Lynn Larzelere, Marilee Masterson, Dorothea Reavis, and Sue West.

Vicki VanderBerg will serve as hostess chairman and Janice Pemberton will head the refreshment committee.

Athletes' Feats

Congratulations to Karen Colby for winning the girls city ping pong tournament.

The baseball team may not have enough money to start this season if they don't quit breaking the shades in the gym with their mighty throws.

Congratulations to Dave Hamilton for making third team all-State in basketball and, with Dave Stafford, on being selected for the 1959-60 All-Conference Basketball team.

Hamilton also made the Greater Kalamazoo team and Stafford, the second squad. Denny Ketcham had honorable mention on the All-Conference team.

Honoring . . .

Robert Awgaitis, Charles Henry and Joseph Sugg, '59, who made the Dean's List for the first semester at Georgetown University, the University of Michigan and Auburn University, respectively.

Susan Faunce, '59, for being decorations co-chairman on the house council of her residence hall at Grinnell College.

E. Fox Receives Local NCTE Award

Again this year Juniors in English classes have been competing for an honor awarded annually by the National Council of Teachers of English. The basic requirements of these awards are original writings, both assigned and impromptu, and an English skills test which is sent from NCTE headquarters. One nominee for 'U' High, Elizabeth Fox, was selected this month and entered in the contest for excellence in the language arts. The purpose of the contest is not the monetary value of scholarships, but the high commendation of the NCTE. The NCTE sends the names of all the winners and runners-up to colleges and highly recommends that they be granted scholarships.

This year's students are trying to follow in the footsteps of Alice Terry, the 1959 local candidate, and William Whitbeck, who won state recognition in 1958 and now has a McCormack Journalism Scholarship at Northwestern.

The local winner was selected by specially appointed reading judges from the high school and university staff and was chosen from the following students whose themes were judged: James Albert, Pamela Brink, Scott

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

April 11	—Wayland	H
April 14	—Vicksburg*	T
April 26	—Portage	H
April 29	—Allegan*	T
April 30	—Marshall	H
May 5	—Wayland	T
May 6	—Otsego*	H
May 10	—Marshall	T
May 13	—Plainwell*	H
May 18	—South Haven*	H
May 20	—Sturgis	T
May 21	—B.C. Lakeview	H
May 24	—Paw Paw	T
May 27	—South Haven	T
* League Games		

TRACK SCHEDULE

April 13	—Vicksburg*	H
April 23	—Hastings Relays	T
April 27	—Allegan*	H
May 3	—Berrien Springs Relays	T
May 4	—Otsego*	T
May 7	—Portage Relays	T
May 11	—Plainwell*	T
May 14	—Regionals	
May 17	—Wolverine Conf., Portage	
May 21	—State Meet 'B'	
		Grand Rapids
May 24	—Paw Paw	
May 25	—South Haven	T
June 3	—Champion of Champions	
		Kalamazoo

* League Meets

GOLF SCHEDULE

(Not complete—others to be added)

April 12	—South Haven	T
April 28	—Three Rivers	T
May 3	—Dowagiac	H
May 6	—Jackson St. Marys	H
May 9	—Three Rivers	H
May 13-14	—Regionals	
May 18	—Jackson St. Marys	T
May 18	—Jackson St. Johns	T
May 21	—State Finals	

TENNIS SCHEDULE

April 12	—Otsego*	T
April 19	—Allegan*	T
April 29	—South Haven*	H
May 3	—Plainwell*	H
May 5	—Holland	T
May 6	—Vicksburg*	H
May 7	—Hamtramck	H
May 11	—East Grand Rapids	T
May 13	—Battle Creek Central	H
May 18	—Holland	H
May 20-21	—Regionals	
May 23	—Ann Arbor 'U' High	H
May 26	—East Grand Rapids	H
June 3-4	—State Finals	
* League Matches		

Carter, Karen Colby, Elizabeth Fox, Nancy Fradenburgh, Jean Giachino, Natalie Glaser, Eleanor Grubb, Peter Hames, Lyle Hohnke, Rudy Light, Delores Moore, Janet Morris, Corinne Praus, Sue Ann Russell, John Rutherford, Ruben Saldivar, David Stulberg, Peter Trimpe, and Gail White.

Perfect Moments That Should Last, But Don't

- ... when he takes you to the door.
- ... the first time the all "A" report card comes with your name on it.
- ... the announcement that you have been chosen Carnival Queen.
- ... the end of the biggest dance of the year, accompanied by your "dream girl."
- ... when you are between warm blankets on a cold winter morning (especially Saturday).
- ... the discovery of a letter from "him" in your mail.
- ... when you step on the scales and see that you've lost ten pounds after three weeks of near starvation.
- ... when you can answer a question correctly in your hardest subject.
- ... the curtain calls for a successful, well-done show.
- ... watching everyone in school walk down the hall reading your article in the paper.

Moments That Shouldn't Last, But Do

- ... when you look up from passing a note in study hall to find the monitor gazing sternly at you.
- ... when you're out with him and you have to blow your nose—loud!
- ... when she tells you she plans to spend the summer in Maine.
- ... when a piece of jello slides down your white blouse while you're eating across from your date.
- ... when he can't find a suitable place to pin the corsage on her frothy dress.
- ... when one realizes he has told ten classmates the wrong assignment.
- ... when you get the wrong number while trying to ask the special boy to the twirp dance.
- ... when you start playing "Name the Hydrocarbon" in chemistry.
- ... when a grinning man in a black and white Ford motions you to the side of the road and says, "May I see your license, please?"

Kalamazoo Yankee at King Arthur's Desk

I am going to assume the name of "King for a Day" and roam the streets of England. This is going to be fun as I live partly as an English king and partly as a twentieth century businessman. My name is King Arthur. A tall, well-groomed, handsome man of 35 years, I am wearing the latest style of pegged armor with a cut-back helmet to show my sideburns. The family I come from is wealthy, but sometimes you'd never know it the way I struggle to get my wallet out of this crazy armor. That's enough said of my personal self. Now I will leave Caerleon-On-Usk and head for my office in Chateau-de-Rusk.

My trusty steed awaits me at the door. I mount him and ride down the road with this blasted armor squeaking. I soon arrive at de Rusk, a small village in Wales. It is here that I have my office, on the fifth floor of the Excalibur Building. As I step carefully into the elevator, Mallory, the elevator man, says, "Up." My shield in hand, I walk into my office. Here I am met by a barrage of apparent well wishers who attack me with all the kind things they can think to say: "K.A., may I take your coat of arms?", "K.A., what do you think about the Conway deal?", "K.A., have a cigar" and somebody even says, "K.A., I have a call for you on line six."

I make a grab for a door which has Sir Arthur, President, written on it, and jump in. The big throne behind my desk looks inviting, so I sink in. After taking my four gold rings off, I push a button and a page runs in with a glass of lemonade, slightly doctored up with my instructions. Just as I finish my drink, a side door to the office opens and Guinevere, my private secretary, comes skipping in. She squeals, "Hi, Kingy," and hops into my lap. After dictating three or four dozen letters, I give her the day off. I just settle down for my Royal snooze when Merlin, the company lawyer, comes into the office mumbling about some advertising potion. For some reason or another he wants me to pull a sword out of a rock. I don't get the idea too well, but I tell him to go ahead with his plans anyway.

The rest of the day goes by uneventfully with only one fair damsel being devoured by a dragon. I look at the sundial in the square and since it says five o'clock, decide to leave. I put on my helmet and push my way through all of my employees who are trying to give me cigars and help me get my coat on. As I ride down in the elevator, I realize I have eaten no lunch, so I decide to stop at the Round Table Tavern for a side of beef and an ale with the boys. I join Galahad and Lancelot for dinner, then go outside and mount my steed. This trusty mount turns his head toward Tintagel and we set off at a trot. I decide not to stop at Tintagel, but to keep right on riding until I get back to my greatest weakness, "The Twentieth Century."

—Alan Heath
AD 1960

Who's Next?

One classmate has been hinting long enough. This is a little note to wake you up, **Dwight McBride**.

Cathy Roberts is complaining to the **Highlights** because she hasn't had her name in the paper with **Bob Cretzinger's** all year, so . . .

Ruth Yzenbaard picks up her dad at Central every night. Could it be that **Mark Bratman** is another attraction there?

Kenyon College is the Port of Call for many weekend trips for **Ann Kercher**. **Tom Reid**, a 'U' High alumnus, is the boy in her dreams.

Rick Kent's strength is admirable for the long walk with heavy books to **Ann Bowen's** house after school.

What great scientific discovery did you make, **John VanderBrook**, that **Roberta Dew** had to "come right over to the chemistry lab to see?"

They said it couldn't be done . . . and it took a **Lyon** to do it. That "Wild Moby" **DeVries** has finally been netted by alert frosh, **Maury**.

Barb Masterson doesn't think **Joe** is an "iceberg" at all; rather, she calls him a **Stulberg**.

Connie Woodworth and **Tom Betz** are sorry to see their Driver Education classes end. The kids were just beginning to enjoy their daily walk to Central and the course had to end! Rough luck, kids!

Ritchie Reynolds has captured the heart of **Patsy Johnson**.

Seen: **Rosemary Sugden** and a certain masculine WMU student gaily talking in the lower hall.

To the dismay of interested boys, the kick-line for the Red and White has finished practice for another year. This means that the track team is the only group in shorts after school now.

Roman Atmosphere Arrives with Spring Dinner, Holiday

Rome will rise again on April 30 and fall that night after many thrilling hours of toganism. Latin I and II students will participate in this exciting event. Jupiter and Juno, with the other gods and goddesses, will attend to watch the mortals present music, dramatic skits, and athletic stunts. Food, including a baked pig with an apple in his mouth, will be served, and the gym will be appropriately decorated.

The toga wearers will also attend the Southwestern Michigan Roman Holiday on May 7. This year's program will take place at Portage and will be based on "The Wanderings of Ulysses" and on the Olympic games. Approximately 500 students from other schools will join in this gathering to act out different skits and hold mock Olympics.