University High Highlights 3/15/1961

University High School
Tempo Up as March 21 Election Assembly Nears

Amid campaign tags, posters, and impromptu speeches, students will soon be deciding which candidates are their choice for Student Council officers for next year. The election, to be held March 21, will be prefaced by an assembly when candidates and campaign managers will speak.

The election committee, consisting of Dave Stulberg, Ann Shaw, Beth Fox, Tom DeVries and Fred Buckman, have prepared and will present to the student body new rules and regulations concerning the elections. This year’s committee requests that stickers be left on lockers and unusual posters be approved by the committee. Members of the election committee are not eligible as candidates or campaign managers.

This is the official campaign week, with all posters being removed from school by March 18 or the candidate being disqualified.

Competing for Student Council posts are Bob Engels, Judy Larzelere, and Polly Lawson, president; Jane Harada, David Roekle, and Ann Stafford, vice-president; Lynn Harrison and Elaine Northam, secretary; and Tom DeCair and Joel Schneider, treasurer.

Fun, Court, Booths, Prizes

Attractions at Carnival

Gazing into the crystal ball one sees: a nickel throw where winning prizes you’ll treasure forever is easy; a jail to hold your friends; a dart throw to test your aiming skill; a marriage booth where you are urged to marry more than once; a fast draw booth to shoot at your favorite teacher; a casino to squander money as at Las Vegas; a miniature golf course to try your patience; a turtle race that’s not too fast; a cake walk and food booth for those interested in the finer things; a hoop throw complete with legs; a photography booth for those who like to be in pictures; a bowling ball booth for scientific calculation; a basketball throw that takes a good eye; and a fun house for those with a strong heart.

The crystal ball reveals that this remarkable event will take place this Saturday from 7:30 to 11:30 at the gym. Intermission will be varied and interesting. John Rohs will present a trampoline exhibition and the 1961 Carnival Court will be presented. Al Mimms as master of ceremonies will give away a multitude of door prizes culminating in the grand prize of a transistor radio.

The shades of the oracle show that all Citizenship Committee members will work on the carnival, and special committee heads are: Mark Wenner, booths; Nancy Locke, carnival court; Diane Ketcham, publicity; and Tom DeVries, door prizes.

Curtain to Rise on ‘Hit the Deck’

Large Cast for March 24, 25 Performances

A coffee house . . . a swank ship on the high seas . . . a bar on a South Sea Island . . . summer, 1919 . . . chemise dresses, sailor uniforms . . . same sailer, new port, new girl . . . clear skies, balmy breezes; clear sailing? That’s what you think. All of this is part of “Hit the Deck,” the choir’s production of the year.

This year the choir decided that it wanted to do a well-known musical instead of its usual operetta. Many of the tunes from this year’s show are familiar and make you want to sing along.

Vincent Youman’s musical will be presented March 24 and 25, at the Civic Theater. Tickets are now on sale for one dollar each.

The players, some double cast, are as follows:

Loo Loo . . . C. Blanchard, L. Forsleff
Lavinia . . . G. Blanchard, M. Riege
Toddy . . . L. Hackney, J. VanPeenan
Charlotte . . . S. Russell, M. Hybels
Rita . . . S. Reavis, R. Baker
Little Girl . . . L. Garneau
Juke Box . . . P. Hosick
Bilge . . . A. Mimms, J. Stulberg
Junior . . . J. Rohs, D. Riege
Bat . . . R. Bennink, J. VanRiper

Looking Ahead

Thurs., Mar. 16—P.T.S.O. Spring Meeting, Gym., 7:15 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 18—Carnival, Gym., 8:30-11:30 p.m.
Tues., Mar. 21—Student Council Elections; Election Assembly, Little Theater, 8:15 a.m.

The fleet’s in, and all the girls are happy.
Just in Jest

Sue Margolis, many people fall down the marble stairs, but it takes a real non-conformist to fall up them. Don’t you know you are DEFYING THE LAWS OF GRAVITY?

Mr. Deur, probing for information about the worm from his 9:15 Biology class, asked Jon Goodrich on which side the ventral nerve cord is located. He realized that he would have to search deep when Dawn answered, “ON THE INSIDE.”

When Miss Giedeman asked her Journalism Class what kind of writing Faulkner used when he wrote THIRTY-EIGHT PAGES without a period, she was hoping someone would say “avant garde.” But Mike Kemerling blithely called out, “A RUN-ON SENTENCE!” Oh well, at least he’s learned some grammar.

A senior English Class was reading a poem by Wordsworth, which contained the phrase, “Great God.” A discussion arose over the question whether that phrase was an exclamation or an address. Mr. Christensen solved the dispute by saying, “Do you think profanity came in with the twentieth century?”

Marseille is a larger town than Bordeaux, not Barcelo. French pronunciation is tricky, isn’t it, Sharon Glen denning?

After studying occupations in sociology, Jack Hartman didn’t know what he wanted to be, a chef or an undertaker. He explained his dilemma by saying, “I don’t know whether to stuff people BEFORE or AFTER DYING!”

During a recent Driver Education class, one of the sophomores cutie rang out with this question, “Does the P on the automatic transmission stand for passing?”

At the recent basketball game at Marshall the ‘U’ High fans produced a new cheer:

Clap your hands,
Stamp your feet,
‘U’ High, ‘U’ High
Can’t find seats.

Lost: Book called Using Latin II.
Please return this book at once. It is needed desperately by a Latin II student, for it contains all the translations for the stories.

Found: Book called Using Latin II.
This book will be sold to any Latin student for only $10. The book contains written translations for every story.

Repairs: Raggedy history books, sulfuric-splattered chemistry lab manuals or twisted compasses. For information contact Joe Fixit. All work is not guaranteed.

The Price We Pay

He was an excellent surgeon, so devoted to his work that for fifteen years he hadn’t taken a single vacation. Finally the doctor and his family had a wonderful seven days together, but a week later they were speeding back to town to duty again. Just outside Detroit the car missed a turn and crashed through the guard rail, killing the mother and seriously injuring the doctor and his daughter. The son, suffering only from bruises, was sent to the highway to get help. In near hysteria the little boy waved his arms frantically, but the drivers failed to heed his sobs and shouts. Finally one car stopped, but not in time—the little girl had died. Later that week the boy was permitted to visit his father and the first thing he asked was, “Dad, why didn’t the cars stop?”

The doctor looked intently upon the small face and answered after a long moment, “Son, I guess that’s the price we pay for being black.”

This tragic but true story, told by a minister at a youth retreat, is an example of perhaps the most shameful situation in the United States, that of segregation. To solve this problem it must be clearly understood just what is involved. A third grader, approached by his interested mother, was asked, “What did you do in school today?”

The little fellow replied, “Well, we learned that opposites are often called pairs, like a fork and a spoon, night and day, black and white.” The latter are the factors which compose the conflict—the black and the white. When these colors are no longer “opposites,” the integration problem will cease to exist.

Where should the osmosis process begin? Last year three new students were admitted into the Kalamazoo school district. When the Prince Edward district closed its doors rather than integrate, private schools were set up for the white students, but none for the Negroes. So Kalamazoo offered educational opportunities to these children. Here is a city that is ready to integrate.

Yet, though our schools accept Negro students and there are no boycotts on the schools, not all the citizens accept the Negroes as individuals desirable as neighbors. A booklet, “Research Report on Integrated Housing in Kalamazoo,” reported a survey of 133 Kalamazoo residents and showed that only five were favorable to having a Negro family enter their neighborhood. Forty-eight were hostile and thirty-five neutral; only four would strongly oppose, but a large forty-one didn’t know what they’d do.

The Council on Human Relations is working diligently on racial problems. This group of volunteer workers has found that the most serious conflict in our city regarding discrimination is in housing the Negroes. Open-occupancy housing has become the principal project of the council this year, and the Real Estate Board has been asked to list housing on a “free market” or “open-occupancy” basis. Last spring 1076 citizens co-operated with the council by allowing their names to be published in the Kalamazoo Gazette during Brotherhood Week, along with a statement indicating their “willingness to sell open-occupancy and to live in interracial neighborhoods.” Another group, HOME (Housing Opportunities Made Equal) is assisting minority families in obtaining the housing of their choice in areas where this right may now be denied.

The citizens of Kalamazoo can help by individual interest and participation. The Public Accommodations Committee, engaged in a survey of offices of various kinds, has found that many people have no basis for their opposition to the Negro. By talking with those conducting the survey these businessmen have found fear and doubt beginning to disintegrate. This is good. Yet there is no telling when the United States will be free of this basic moral conflict. As the Negro speaker Mrs. Samuel J. Simmons says, “We have to cease believing and hoping and wishing . . . it’s time to act . . .”

—Carol Meretta
Cubs Tame Colts; Bow to Bulldogs

'College and Careers' Spring P.T.S.O. Topic

"College and Careers" will be discussed during the program portion of the P.T.S.O. meeting tomorrow evening. Other features of the 7:15 to 9:30 session include the election of officers for 1961-'62 and music furnished by the school band and choir.

After a brief general meeting of the Parent-Teacher-Student Organization in the gym, the assembly will divide into four discussion groups with assigned leaders: "Applying for Scholarships," Dr. Mel Schoch, Director of Admissions at MSU; "Choosing a Vocation," Dr. Donald Davis, Western Michigan University; "Choosing Your High School Curriculum," Mr. Glen Brown, Director of Admissions, Kalamazoo College; "Choosing a College," Dr. Clyde Vroman, Director of Admissions, University of Michigan.

In each of the groups, the leaders, all experts in their fields, will talk for approximately thirty minutes, leaving the rest of the hour for questions and discussion.

The band will entertain with a few selections and the choir will present a prevue performance of their coming musical, "Hit the Deck."

Marshall Overpowers 'U' High in Overtime

Marshall's gym hosted the last and one of the most thrilling games of the season. The Cubs trailed in the first two quarters and were unable to overtake the sharp-shooting Marshall Redskins who held a 17-11 point lead at half time.

However, 'U' High's cagers came back in the second half and worked hard to stop the Redskins. Their efforts paid off in the late third quarter as Tom Cooper sank two baskets which tied the game with approximately two minutes left in that quarter. Employing the fast break thrown into action by Bob Engels, Art Gaylord, and Mike Goodrich, with Dave Stafford and Cooper jumping high for rebounds, the Cubs managed a 52-48 point lead by the third quarter buzzer.

The fourth quarter resulted in a battle of technique with the Redskins matching their long accurate shots against the Cubs' fast ball handling working in towards the basket. All this ultimately ended in a 68-68 tie as Bob Engels dropped in the tying basket.

In overtime the Cubs were unable either to control Marshall's hard working offense or to score enough to keep pace. By the end of the overtime period Marshall had outscored the Cubs to net a 81-73 victory.

Exciting Game Ends Tournament Hopes

The 'U' High Cubs ran away with their first District Tournament game by defeating Comstock, 85-53. The Colts were ahead only once, and that was very early in the first period. Toward the end of the first quarter the 'U' commanded a 9 point lead, but Comstock, led by Dwayne Heath, rallied to narrow this down to one point by the end of the period.

During most of the second quarter, the teams stayed about even. Then, in the waning minutes of the first half, 'U' High came to life and piled up an 11 point lead by the intermission, 32-21.

The third quarter found the Cubs with foul trouble. Three of the starters had four fouls, but able substitutes increased the third period lead to a 13 point advantage. Determination on the part of Comstock brought the margin down to 7 points. With 4 minutes remaining, the scoreboard read 60-53.

The Cubs corralled the threatening Colts as they ran up 25 points in the remaining time. Comstock, plagued with fouls, was unable to score again in the game.

Bob Engels copped the scoring honors with 16 points, Dave Stafford followed with 12, and Al Terpstra had 10.

Although the Cubs had defeated Otsego twice in regular season play, they did not anticipate their third meeting lightly. And well they didn't, for the stubborn Bulldogs bit off all 'U' High hopes as repeat district champions when they upset the cagers 52-48.

Both teams seemed evenly matched throughout the opening quarter, although Otsego enjoyed a 16-12 lead. Otsego continued to match any Cub rally and traded basket for basket, keeping their four point lead. The halftime score was 32-28.

Bob Engels tied the contest at 37-37 with 2:00 remaining in the third quarter. From there the Cubs took a 42-39 advantage. The fourth quarter provided thrills and chills in the name of Lyndon Cronen, as he dazzled the crowd. Bulldogs bit off all 'U' High hopes as repeat district champions when they upset the cagers 52-48.

Both working centers Bob Phillips led all scorers with 15 while Dave Stafford and Bob Engels shared third place honors with 13 apiece.

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Bear Facts

John Hartman's "intra-muder" basketball team defeated Case's to win the championship with a 9-1 record.

Congratulations to Don Zomer who made a fast recovery and scored in the tournament games.

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On the state level, three soloists will compete in the State Solo and Ensemble Contest, March 29, at Jackson: Carolyn Meretta, flute solo; Carol Schoenhals, piano solo; and Susan VanderBrook, piano solo.

Eligibility is granted to senior high school students who have received a first division rating in their district Solo and Ensemble Contests.

Honoring...

Judith Lyttle, '60, for making the Dean's List at the University of Colorado.

Robert Bennett, '59, who has been selected as one of twenty Harvard and Radcliffe students being sent to Africa this summer on a program called Project Tanganyika. They will spend the summer teaching English and conducting informal seminars in schools in Tanganyika.
Honor Society Inducts 10; Alumni to Talk on College

Dr. James Miller made his first appearance before the student body today as he spoke at the annual induction of new members into the Honor Society. 'U' High feels veryton, and Anne Potter. Three new seniors also became members today: David Hinz, Rudolph Light, and Mark Wenner.

The Honor Society now has a total of 19 members. Members who were inducted last year as Juniors are James Albert, Tom DeVries, Elizabeth Fox, Jean Glachino, Natalie Glaser, Janet Morris, Corinne Praus, David Stulberg, and Gail White.

The Honor Society will sponsor an assembly on March 27 at 1:15 in the little Theater, hoping that this meeting will assist students in making future decisions about the colleges of their choice. A panel of alumni, now in college, will relate their impressions of and reactions to various phases of college life, such as: assignments, teaching methods, and responsibilities of the individual student as to study and achievement. The panel will also discuss life in dormitories, extra activities offered, the use of one's time, and the advantages of a small college compared to those of a large university.

Punsters have fun,
Play name game—
Then run!

John takes out motor boat,
Motor breaks down—
John Rohs.

Jim wants to borrow the car,
Jim goes to Dad—
Jim Hinz.

Roberta is baking cookies,
Sister gets in her way—
Roberta Baker.

Lyle drives down the street,
Sees a girl he'd like to meet—
Lyle Hohnke.

Sally caught the chicken-pox,
Sally recovered—
Sally Stillwell.

Joy goes roller skating;
She fall—
Joy Skinner knee.

Tom go to Reno;
He enter poker game—
Tom Betz.

Mark enter sweepstakes;
Judge draw his number—
Mark Wenner.

Roberta has homework,
Mother say do homework—
Roberta Dew.

Joyce grow up;
She marry king—
Joyce live in Castle.

Nancy go to church;
She pray—
Nancy Neal.

Gail see ghost;
She get frightened—
Gail White.

Margaret go to school,
She study hard—
Margaret Wise.

Louise chopping wood,
She misse—
Louise Hack-ney.

Cloud Hoppers

Jerry Quandt is not dismayed by not having his driver's license. He finds it more romantic to take Carolyn Chapman for a moonlight bicycle ride.

Bill Bildner says that he sure does enjoy driving his convertible in the country on these balmy spring days. But why do you always drive on the road that leads to Carol Douglass's house, Bill? Duane Reige has been trapped by an eighth grade cutie, Janet Depree.

Frank Abnet has found a certain sophomore girl to his liking. The lucky lass? Irene Barr.

Carol Blanchard has taken up new interests in Central. His name? John Newman. They have one hobby in common and may we wish you both good voices.

Ann Larzelere struck a real gold mine in Egfl's. That Lode is valuable, isn't he, Ann?

Nancy Neal and Larry Kozel each paid us half the price for printing this sentence in order to get their names in our paper together. Well, how does it feel, kids?

Kay Zwergel and Marcia Sheets are up to date on what has been going on at Three Rivers lately. We understand Lynn and Art are cooperating with the girls in this effort.

The choir has been stopped several times by the noise from Elisabeth and Jim Buchanan's conversations. Tell us, please, what could possibly be so interesting?

Party Primer

1. Be very sure that your parents are out of town and that there is no danger of their returning and spoiling the fun.

2. Unless you want to take the chance that no one will come, never plan your party more than an hour in advance.

3. Even if your "rec room" is only eight feet by twelve feet, you must invite everyone and be prepared for three hundred people to have appeared and disappeared by the end of the evening.

4. Do not buy any food in advance. At half-hour intervals, you can send someone out for $5.00 worth of potato chips and pop. Don't worry about repaying him; after all, everyone should contribute something.

5. You need not supply anything but ten or fifteen decks of playing cards. The rest of the fun will take care of itself.

6. Don't bother to clean the house before the party. In fifteen minutes, no one will know the difference.

7. Don't roll back the rug. Experience has shown that rugs absorb spilled pop and potato chip crumbs much more readily than do tile floors.