



Herald Presented by the Students of WESTPORT HIGH SCHOOL Kansas City, Missouri



# Foreword

THIS BOOK is our modest effort to capture for you a memorable year at Westport, a year torn by conflict and swept by mixed emotions, a year which, at long last, is pointing the way to victory and peace.

We have tried to give you a book that will keep Westport's memory green and bring you echoes of your yesterdays as you travel along the highway of tomorrow. We hope you cherish it, for it is your book.

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SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVITIES THE WESTPORT CRIER Volume Thirty-one



School

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS SENIORS ADMINISTRATION TEACHING STAFF STUDENT COUNCIL WAR STAMP COUNCIL HONOR SOCIETY



# Senior Class Officers

ED DAVIS, President JACKIE DUNLAP, Vice President GAIL GOODRICH, Secretary

CHARLES FERM, Treasurer STUART TALCROFT, Sergeant-at-Arms RICHARD FRISTOE, Business Committee

JOSEPHINE B. MILLER, Business Committee EDLA CARLSON, Business Committee CHARLES AVERILL, Business Committee

ALTHOUGH this graduating class of 1944 is considerably smaller than in previous years because of war conditions, the Seniors have been active in all phases of school life. Their participation in clubs has given them three valuable qualities leadership, initiative, and dependability. They demonstrated their ability in the literary clubs, and school plays, and as athletes. Their rankings are good and the high percentage of senior members in the Honor Society proves that they have not neglected their studies. Truly, the class has been an outstanding one, and as their high school career comes to an end, they are ready to take their places, wherever they may be, as intelligent young men and women.



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# Seniors 1944 =

### PHYLLLIS JANE AHL

Student Council, executive board; Promethean, vice president; Alpha Lyra, treasurer; War Stamp Council, treasurer; Debate team; A Cappella Choir, vice president; Glee club.

DICK ALBRIGHT Bronze honor pin; Intramurals.

VIDA ALEXANDER

MARY AMERIN

FLEANOR CAROL ANDERSON

BETTY BLY ANDREWS Honor roll once; Alpha Lyra; Auto club; Glee club;

### DOTTIE ANDREWS

DOROTHY LEE ARRINGTON Jules Guerin.

WILLIAM ATWOOD Honor roll once; Student Council.

### CHARLES E. AVERILL

Sophomore class business committee; Junior class sergeant-at-arms; Senior business committee; Student Council, vice president; Clay, president; Hi-Y, vice president.

### BEVERLY ANN BAILEY

GWENDOLYN BAILS Typing awards.

### I. JANE BALFOUR

Honor roll once; Student Council; Promethean, secretary; Alpha Lyra, president; War stamp council, president; A Cappella Choir; Assemblies,

BARBARA LOUISE BANE

Student Council; Speech Arts; Pep club; Monitor; Girl Reserves; Red Cross Council; Health Center assistant.

### SOPHIA BARASH

Bronze honor pin; Alpha Lyra; WIGS, secretary; War Stamp Council; Typing award, 50; Shorthand award, 100. Typing award, 50; Shorthand award, 80.

### NANCY ELIZABETH BARNES

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Intramural "W," '43; Student Council, executive board; Pundit; Circulo Calderon, treasurer; Stage and Screen; Girl Reserves, cabinet; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 100; Monitor; Assembly shorthand reporter; Student secretary to Mr. Shearer.

### WILLIAM G. BARNES

Student Council; Philatelic society; Science club; Auto club; Orchestra; All city orchestra; S. G. Man; R.O.T.C., sergeant, crack company; Assemblies.

MERCEDES BARRY





































RALPH HENRY BASLER Science club; Hi-Y; Orchestra; S.G. Man.

WANDA BATEMAN Typing award, 40.

MARY ALICE BAYS Pep club; Glee club; Typing award, 40.

HELEN ANN BECKER All star baseball '43; Baseball manager '44; Student Council; A Cappella Choir; Monitor.

BETTIE BEDFORD Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Pundit; Circulo Calderon; War Stamp Council; Typing award, 60; Shorthand, 100.

JAY BEISTLE

CHESTER BENNETT Shorthand award, 100.

EDWARD BICKNELL A Cappella Choir.

RICHARD BICKNELL

WALT BLAGG Irving; Circulo Calderon.

IRWIN LOCKMAN BLOCK Crier-Herald staff; Tennis "W"; Band.

DAN BOONE

BERTHA BORESOW Silver honor pin; Crier-Herald staff; Student Council; Circulo Calderon; Chess club; Shorthand award, 140; Assembly reporter; Quill and Scroll; Typing award, 50.

LESTER H. BRACKENBURY Officers club, parliamentarian; Hi-Y, chaplain; Speech Arts, vice-president; R.O.T.C., captain, captain of rifle team.

BETTY BRADLEY

PEGGY ANN BRANDENBURG Promethean; Pep club; Typing award, 40; Monitor. AUDREY BRANN

FLORENCE BREWER

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GARNET BRIANT Shorthand award, 100; Monitor.

LESTER KENNETH BRITT Hi-Y, secretary; Band; S.G. Man.

GERALDINE BROOKS Shorthand award, 100; Typing, 60.

ALICE FRANCES BROWN Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council; Jules Guerin; Shorthand award, 80; Typing award, 50.

CHARLES WILLIAM BROWN

MARY LOU BROWN Student Council; Science club; Bible club; Red Cross Council; Band; Orchestra, treasurer; War Stamp Council.

ROY L. BROWN Football "W"; W club; Relay team, '43.

MISKA JANE BUFFINGTON Student Council; Monitor.

BARBARA LEE BUTLER Bronze honor pin; Pundit; Jules Guerin; War Stamp Council, vice president; Typing award, 40; Shorthand award 60.

WILLIAM H. CANTERBURY Stamp club; Hi-Y; S. G. Man.

JUANITA LOUISE CARLSON A Cappella Choir.

### EDLA CARLSON

Bronze honor pin; Sophomore business committee; Senior business committee; Crier-Herald staff; Intramural "W"; Tennis "W," '42; Hockey "W," '43; Basketball "W," '43; Student Council, treasurer; Pundit, president; Clay beauty queen; Debate team; Typing awards.

EMMA CARNAHAN Science club; Typing award, 50.

LOIS LEE CARNAHAN Pep club; Typing award, 50; Shorthand award, 100.

ELAINE CARNES

MARY KATHLEEN CARPLES Baseball "W," '43; Science club.

CHARLES CARTER Student Council; War Stamp Council.

JOCELYN RHAE CARTER Jules Guerin; Pep club; Typing award, 60; Monitor.





































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MARY KATHRYN DAYWALT Student Council; Science club; Girl Reserves.

DORIS DEFRIES Girl Reserves.

NORMA JEAN DEHMER Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Intramural "W"; All star hockey '43; Pundit; Speech Arts; Monitor.

### TREM DENMAN

JOAN MARIE DEVORE Student Council, executive board; Alpha Lyra; Pep club; Girl Reserves; Glee club; Monitor.

BETTIE JO DICKERSON

HELEN BARBARA DODDS Student Council; Promethean, treasurer; Stage and Screen, student agent; Irving queen; Glee club, vice president; Honorable mention, Interscholastic Art Contest; Monitor.

COLLEEN DOLLISON Band; Girl Reserves.

# JACKIE DUNLAP

Senior class vice president; Hockey "W," '43; Promethean; Jules Guerin; Pep club.

### MYRON EDWARDS

MARGARET CATHERINE EKHOLM Promethean, president; Speech Arts, secretary, critic; Stage and Screen, secretary; Speakers' Bureau; Assemblies; Typing award, 40; Shorthand award, 100.

SHIRLEY IRENE ELLIOTT Speech Arts; Stage and Screen; Pep club; Monitor; Girl Reserves.

THOMAS R. ELLIOTT Chess club, president.

NAOMI ELLSWORTH

### ROBERT L. FERBER

R.O.T.C., major, second place American Legion award, Crack squad leader, crack company, crack platoon, crack squad; Officers club; Assemblies; Band drill master.

### CHARLES DANIEL FERM

Bronze honor pin; Senior class treasurer; Irving, vice president, parliamentarian; S.G. Man; R.O.T.C., first lieutenant, crack company.

MAURINE LOU FILSON Gold honor pin, 3 pearls; Alpha Lyra; Orchestra; Shorthand award, 100; Typing award, 70.

WILLIAM B. FINK Science club; Hi-Y.































JEAN MARIE FLECK

Hockey "W," '42, '43; Auto club; Typing award, 40.

MABLE IRENE FLOM Typing awards.

LILLIAN FLOM

TED FOOTE Student Council; Debate team; Monitor; Intramurals.

BEVERLY ANN FRANK Stage and Screen; Band; Typing award, 40.

DORIS VIRGINIA FRANK

Gold honor pin, 3 pearls; Student Council; Pundit, parliamentarian; Speech Arts; Jules Guerin; A Cappella Choir; Assemblies; Radio programs; Painting chosen for Dr. Hunt's office; Bible club; Girl Reserves.

### PATRICIA FREED

### BARBARA FREEMAN

RICHARD B. FRISTOE

Gold honor pin, I pearl; Senior business committee; Student Council; Clay, treasurer, secretary; Hi-Y, president; R.O.T.C., captain, American Legion award, crack company, crack platoon, crack squad, rifle team; Officers' club; Assemblies.

MORTON BERNARD GALITZKY Honor roll three times; Jules Guerin; Scholastic Art award '43; Monitor.

LEROY GARDNER

PATSY RUTH GARDNER A Cappella Choir; Monitor.

### BETTY GAULD

ROBERT MITCHELL GERSHON Tennis "W," '41, '42, '43; All city doubles champion; Basketball "W," '44; Monitor; W club; Intramurals.

STANFORD R. GILGUS Gold honor pin, 1 pearl.

- ANN GILLIAT Basketball "W," '43; Science club; Girl Reserves; Typing award, 40; Auto club.
- BARBARA L. GOLDEN Honor roll twice; Circulo Calderon; Pep club; Girl Reserves; Auto club; Typing award, 50.
- BETTY LOU GOLDING Hockey "W," '42, '43; Volley ball "W," '43; Baseball "W," '43; Hockey team manager, '43; Intramural "W"; Pundit; Pep club, vice president; Monitor; Typing award, 30.

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### GAIL GOODRICH

Gold honor pin, 3 pearls; Sophomore president; Junior treasurer; Senior secretary; Hockey "W," '43-'44; Baseball "W," '43; Volley ball "W," '43; Basketball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Student council, vice president; Pundit, vice president, sergeant-at-arms; Speech Arts, secretary, Assemblies; Monitor; Third prize, Sons of the Revolution essay contest, '43; Honor Society, president.

FRANKIE LORRAINE GOODWIN War Stamp Council.

### RAYMOND GORHAM

Band; Orchestra, president, sergeant-at-arms; Assemblices; Typing award, 30; R.O.T.C., crack company.

CHARLES GRAVES Hi-Y.

PAT GREELEY Jules Guerin.

BETTY GROTSINGER

FLORENCE CATHERINE HAGSTROM Typing award, 30; Monitor.

LORENE HALBAUER Glee club.

### MARION J. HAMMOND

Crier-Herald photographer, '42-'43; Irving, treasurer, president; Camera club, president; Hi-Y, sergeant-at-arms; Officers club, public relations officer; S.G. Man; R.O.T.C., first lieutenant, crack company, crack squad, crack platoon, circus company, rifle team.

### ELIZABETH HANCOCK

### ALBERT E. HANES

NADINE ANN HARRISON Jules Guerin, treasurer; Girl Reserves; Typing award 50.

### TILLIE LOU HEAD

### JACK B. HEDGER

Honor roll once; Science club; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant, crack company, crack platoon, crack squad.

FRED A. HEIM

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council; Clay; Science club; Chess club; Orchestra; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant, crack platoon, crack company.

### BERNADINE HEINRICH

Student Council; Pep club; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 60; Monitor.

WALTER HICKMAN

ERNEST PHILIPS HICKS





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KARL R. JENTSCH Golf team; Hi-Y.

LORRAINE E. JEWITT Typing award, 50.

CLARA JOHNSON Glee club.

MARTHA SUE JOHNSON Glee club; Orchestra; Assemblies.

RICHARD M. JOHNSON

VIVIAN JOHNSON A Cappella Choir; Band.

PAULA RUTH JULIUS Hockey "W," '42-'43; Basketball manager '43; Basketball "W," '43; Softball "W," '43; Student Council; Pundit; Alpha Lyra, vice president, treasurer; Girl Reserves, secretary, vice president; A Cappella Choir, Librarian; Glee club, secretary, president; Assemblies.

### BETTY KANNALLY

Basketball "W, '43; Student Council; Alpha Lyra; Pep club; Auto club, War Stamp Council; A Cappella Choir; Girl Reserves.

BARBARA KELLEY Jules Gurin.

MARY HELEN KELLY Typing award, 40; Shorthand award, 100; Monitor.

BETTIE JEAN KENT

BILL C. KESTER A Cappella Choir.

TRESSA EILEEN KIMBLE Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Alpha Lyra; Science club; Band; Orchestra; Girl Reserves.

### NORMA JEAN KINDSVATER

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Crier-Herald staff; Hockey "W," '42-'43; Baseball "W," '43; Volley ball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Baseball manager; Student Council, executive board; Pundit, treasurer; Circulo Calderon, treasurer; Shorthand award, 120; Typing award, 60; War Stamp Council.

### NATALIE KINGDON

### BETTY JEAN KREEGER

### RALPH E. KRON

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council; Irving, president; Science elub; R.O.T.C., first sergeant, crack company, crack platoon; Hi-Y.

LAVAUGHN LAIRD





























ROBERT LENINGTON Honor roll once; Student Council; Officers club; R.O.T.C., first lieutenant, supply officer, circus company.

DALE LILJESTRAND Irving; Band; Typing awards; S.G. Man; R.O.T.C., platoon sergeant, crack company '43.

BARBARA LINNERSON Promethean; A Cappella Choir.

### DAN B. LOCKWOOD

### **JOLENE LOMBARDO**

MARY LOUISE LUNDBERG Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Pundit; Girl Reserves, secretary.

### MARIE LUSBY

NAN PALMER MACKIE Student Council, alternate; Pep club; Monitor.

VIRGINIA MANTICE Hockey "W," '42-'43; Circulo Calderon; War Stamp Council; Orchestra; Shorthand award, 100; Typing award, 60.

LUCILLE MARTIN Jules Guerin.

KATHRYN MARTIN Typing award, 60.

SHIRLEY MAXINE MARTIN Monitor.

DORIS NADINE MARZOLF Jules Guerin.

BOB MATHEWS Student Council; Irving, vice president; Jules Guerin;

RUTH ELEANOR MATSON Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Round Table; Typing award, 50; Girl Reserves.

MAXINE T. MELLON Jules Guerin. HELEN McCALLA JIM McCASLAND

1944 -

### DRUSILLA McCOLLUM

MARY JANE McCORD Student Council; A Cappella Choir; Glee club; Cheerleader; Monitor.

ANNETTE LOUISE MCEWEN Gold honor pin, 1 pearl.

MARILYN McHENRY Student Council, Jules Guerin.

EDWARD G. McLEROY Clay, vice president; Alpha Lyra, president; Pep club; A Cappella Choir; Orchestra; National Music Contest, 40.

JACK EARL MEEKER Irving, sergeant-at-arms; Monitor; R.O.T.C., staff sergeant, rifle team, crack company, crack platoon.

BETTY LOU MILLER Girl Reserves; Typing award, 50.

JACK C. MILLFR Bronze honor pin; Junior business committee; Basketball "W," '44; Student Council; Clay; Hi-Y; Debate team.

JOSEPHINE B. MILLER

Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Senior business committee; Hockey "W," '41-'43; Baskerball "W," '42; Baseball "W," '42-'43; Volley ball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Student Council, executive board; Pundit, secretary; Circulo Calderon, vice president; A Cappella Choir; Monitor; Honor Society, secretary.

### JOSEPHINE MILLER

LYDIA JANE MILLER A Cappella Choir.

CHARLES MILLIKIN Hi-Y.

PHYLLIS MIMRAN War Stamp Council.

BETTY ANN MINIER Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council, alternate, Science club; Pep club.

LEROY FARRELL MITCHELL Football "W," '42; Basketball "W," '43-'44; W club, sergeant-at-arms.

BILL MOFFATT Band; Round Table.

LEONARD MOLOTSKY

MONTE DUKE MONTGOMERY Intramurals.































### KAY MORGAN

JAMES B. MULLIS, JR. Student Council, executive board; Irving; Science club; Band, librarian; Intramurals.

BETTY JO MULLINS

JACK L. MORTON Crier-Herald staff, Herald editor, photographer 3 years; Student Council; S.G. Man; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant; Officers club; Quill and Scroll; Irving.

### ORRELL MOORMAN

VERNA LU MURFIN Gold honor pin, I pearl; Pundit; Circulo Calderon; Shorthand award, '100; Typing award, 50.

### JUNE LOUISE MURRAY

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council; Pep club; Auto club; Girl Reserves; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 120.

### PHYLLIS MAE NEWMAN Monitor.

EUNICE MARGARET NICOLL

Bronze honor pin; Alpha Lyra; Bible club, vice chairman; Orchestra; All city orchestra; Glee club accompanist; Shorthand award, 100.

### GEORGE NITCHY

DARLENE MARIE OCHESKEY Typing award, 50.

PEGGY O'DONNELL

ROBERT PAUL O'DWYER Student Council; Irving, treasurer; Auto club; Officers club, president; R.O.T.C., captain, crack company, crack platoon, rifle team, circus company; Hi-Y, secretary.

SHERMAN B. OLSON Science club; Auto club; Orchestra; Intramurals.

MARILYN ORR Glee club.

### DONALD PACKER

EDWARD J. PARK

### LINDY PENNINGTON

Student Council; Hi-Y; A Cappella Choir, R.O.T.C., Captain, crack company, circus company, crack platoon; Officers club; Assemblies.

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LOIS PENDLETON Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Pundit; Science club; Stage and Screen; Monitor.

MAURICE PERRY

BETTY LOU PIERCE

BARBARA JOYCE POLLARD Student Council, executive board; Promethean.

### THOMAS PORTER

RICHARD K. POSH Officers club, treasurer; R.O.T.C., lieutenant, crack company, crack platoon.

WALTER EDWARD PRESTON Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Student Council, alternate; Intramurals.

### MARIAN DELORES PUGH

Gold honor pin, I pearl; Student Council, alternate; Pundit; Jules Guerin, secretary; Stage and Screen; Typing award, 30.

BILL RAGAN

### DONNA FAYE RAPIER

Gold honor pin, 3 pearls; Jules Guerin, vice president, Girl Reserves, worsh.p chairman; Orchestra.

### BETTY LOU REA

Hockey "W," '42-'43; Basketball "W," '42; Volley ball "W, 43; Baseball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Student Council; Pundit; Science club; War Stamp Council; Pep club; Cheerleader; Monitor.

JO ANN READY

### DONNA REED

### JEANNE REITZ

LOUIDA RICE Girl Reserves; Glee club.

JANE HAYES RICHE

Bronze honor pin; Student Council; Pundit, sergeantat-arms, critic; Pundit beauty queen; Alpha Lyra; Band; Drum corps; Typing award, 50; Shorthand, 100; Monitor.

WILLIAM LEE ROBINETT S.G. Man; R. O. T. C., corporal.

DOLORES JEAN ROLLER Honor roll once; Shorthand award, 120; Typing award, 70; Girl Reserves, president.





































### WANDA ROLLO

### RICHARD L. ROSS

Honor roll once; Student Council, alternate; Irving; W.I.G., vice president; Band Librarian; Officers club, secretary; Commander of S.G. Men; R.O.T.C., first lieutenant, crack company, crack platoon.

### ALVIN ROUSH

### MARTHA ANN RUSH

Student Council, executive board; Pundit; Alpha Lyra, sergeant-at-arms; Girl Reserves; A Cappella Choir, secretary; Glee club, treasurer, secretary; Monitor.

GLORIA JEAN SACKMANN Hockey "W," '43; Student Council, alternate; Pundit; Glee club, secretary.

DONALD LESEM SANDERS Tennis "W," '43; W club; Intramurals.

### JOEDAN J. SAUNDERS

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Clay; Hi-Y, vice president; A Cappella Choir.

FRANK SCHROEDER IR. Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Clay; Science club, president; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant, crack platoon; Chess club,

CHARLES GEORGE SCHROER

### EMMA KATHERINE SCHULER

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Crier-Herald staff, managing editor of The Crier; Student Council; Pundit; Circulo Calderon; Girl Reserves; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 80; Quill and Scroll; Honorable mention, Sons of the Revolution essay contest, '43.

### WILLIAM L. SEXTON

Student Council; Band; Monitor; S.G. Man; Officers club; R.O.T.C., captain, crack company, crack platoon, crack squad, circus company.

### MILLICENT LOUISE SHEETS

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Science club, secretary, treasurer; Girl Reserves; Glee club; Typing award, 40; Auto club.

### ROBERT L. SHELTON

Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Student Council, executive board; Irving, secretary; Officers club, vice president; A Cappella Choir, president; R.O.T.C., first lieutenant.

MARGUERITE SHERMAN Basketball "W," '42-'43-'44; Hockey "W," '42-'43; Base-ball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Student Council; Science club; Pep club, secretary; A Cappella Choir, treasurer; Typing award, 40; Cheerleeader; Monitor; Basketball manager '44.

### CHERIE SHIPLEY

Promethean; A Cappella Choir; Shorthand award, 100; Typing award, 30; Monitor.

MARY FRANCES SMART Monitor.

THOMAS L SKALITZKY Student Council; Science club; Debate team; Chess club.

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JUNE MERCEDES SMITH Honor roll once; Typing award, 40.

JAMES SNEDEKER

MARY ELIZABETH SPALDING

- JAMES BROOKES SPENCER Gold honor pin, 1 pearl.
- ROBERT E. SPENCER Fall play '41; Monitor; S.G. Man; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant, circus company, crack company; Hi-Y.
- CLARENCE TAYLOR SPILLERS Band.
- BETTY JANE SPRINK Speech Arts; Glee club; Typing award, 50.
- BRUCE KENDALL SPROULL Honor roll once; Student Council, alternate; Camera club; R.O.T.C., sergeant, crack company, crack platoon, crack squad.
- GLORIA HOPE STANDARD Glee club, vice president.

# LAWRENCE BARCLAY STANLEY

MERRES GARLAND STARBUCK Gold honor pin, 3 pearls; Intramural "W"; Assemblies.

MARGIE JEAN STAUFFER Bronze honor pin; Crier-Herald staff; Intramural "W"; Student Council, vice president; Pundit; Typing award, 30; Hockey all star team '42; Baseball all star team '43.

### ELAINE STEVENS Drum corps.

- CHARLES E. STEWART, JR. Irving, sergeant-at-arms; Monitor; R.O.T.C., crack company, circus company.
- NATALIE STROMWASER Alpha Lyra; Auto club; A Cappella Choir; Typing award, 70.
- LOIS MARION STILWELL
- Basketball "W," '43; Intramural "W"; Promethean, parliamentarian; Speech Arts, parliamentarian; Pep club, president; Science club; Monitor; Plays; Majorette.

### ROBERT GENE STURGEON

Golf team captain; Student Council alternate; Hi-Y.

### JEAN MARIE SUFFILL

Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Crier-Herald staff; Quill and Scroll; Pundit, secretary, vice president; Jules Guerin; Stage and Screen.































IRENE CATHERINE SUTORIS Honor roll once; Student Council; Pundit.

GORDON O. SWANSON

FLORENCE SWARNER Monitor.

### JANE SWARTZBAUGH Circulo Calderon; Girl Reserves.

### BETTY TAFF

Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Sophomore business committee; Hockey "W," '43; Student Council, executive board; Pundit, president, sergeant-at-arms; Circulo Calderon, president, treasurer; Typing award, 50; Shorthand award, 100; Honor Society, vice president.

### STUART B. TALCROFT

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Senior class sergeant-at-arms; Student Council, executive board; President of all city Student Council; Clay, president, parliamentarian; Speech Arts, parliamentarian; Debate team; Assemblies; A Cappella Choir; Boys' Quartet '43; Cheerleader.

### BETTY JO THATCHER Typing award, 80.

### MARY THOMPSON

RITA JEAN TERRY Round Table; Speech Arts, treasurer; Debate team; Assemblies; War bond oratorical contest; Typing award, 30; Plays.

### MARJORIE TAYLOR

- MARY KATHRYN TAYLOR Glee club.
- NATALIE THORNBURGH Shorthand award, 60; Typing award, 60; Health center assistant '43.

GLENN WILLIAM TODD Student Council; Science club; Band; Orchestra.

PHYLLIS TRAVIS Auto club.

## STANDFORD TRAXLER

VIRGINIA TRIBBEY Sophomore class treasurer; Junior class business committee; Student Council, executive board; Pundit; Pep club.

DANIEL ZALE TROPP Silver honor pin; Bookkeeping team.

ESTRID UHLIN

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MILDRED SHERLEY ULMER Typing award, 70.

ROBERTA LEE VAN BEBER

F. HOWARD VERMILLION Football "W," '42; W club; Band.

### DOROTHY VIELBIG

ELIZABETH VISCOFSKY Circulo Calderon; War Stamp Council; Typing award, 30; Monitor.

MARGARET WAGER

MARGARET WALROD Band; Drum Corps; Monitor; Majorette.

### MARJORIE LYNN WALTHALL

Bronze honor pin; Promethean, president, vice president; Alpha Lyra; Pep club; Promethean queen; A Cappella Choir, secretary; Glee club; Typing award, 40; Monitor.

BETTY WARNER

BERNEICE WATSON Typing award, 50.

NORMA WATSON Glee Club.

ROBERT WEBB

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Football "W," '42; Basketball manager '43; Football manager '43; Student Council, executive board; W club, president; Monitor,

BEVERLY WEST Jules Guerin; Girl Reserves.

CHARLES RICHARD WHITE Honor roll once; Jules Guerin, president '43-'44, treasurer; R.O.T.C., second lieutenant.

JOHN W. WHITE

JEANNE LOUISE WHITNEY

Gold honor pin, 2 pearls; Pundit; Alpha Lyra, secretary; Camera club, vice president; A Cappella Choir; Glee club; Typing award, 50; Shorthand award, 100.

JEANNE WIEDENMANN Student Council; Pundit; War Stamp Council; Pep club; Monitor.

BONNIE LEE WILHELM Shorthand award, 100; Typing award, 50; Glee club.





































JEANNE WILKINSON Pundit; Debate team; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 100.

JULIA WILKINSON Pundit; Typing award, 40; Shorthand award, 100.

RAY WILLIAMS Round Table; Hi-Y; R.O.T.C., sergeant, color guard, crack company.

ELLA MARIAN WILSON Student Council, alternate; A Cappella Choir; Typing award, 70; Shorthand award, 100; Monitor.

HELEN LOIS WILSON Student Council; Orchestra.

EDDIE WINDSOR

### INA WITTEN

### DOROTHY WOODARD

EILEEN WRIGHT

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Sophomore class treasurer; Junior class secretary; Pundit; Jules Guerin, secretary; Typing award, 30.

### MARYBELLE LILLIAN WRIGHT

Promethean, parliamentarian; Speech Arts, secretary, critic; Speakers Bureau; Girl Reserves; Spring play '43; Debate team; Assemblies; Radio programs Shorthand award, 100; Typing award, 50; War Stamp Council; Glee club.

### RUTH VIRGINIA WRIGHT

Promethean, secretary; Speech Arts; Debate team; Monitor; Red Cross Council; War Stamp Council.

CHRIS W. YAGER

### BARBARA YOUNG

Gold honor pin, 1 pearl; Pundit; Circulo Calderon, secretary; Typing award, 60; Shorthand award, 100.

JOSEPH FICHTER

KEITH V. CHADER

Administration

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Organizations

QUEENS LITERARY SOCIETIES SCHOOL CLUBS ORCHESTRA BANDS A CAPPELLA CHOIR GIRLS GLEE CLUB





Beauty Queens



### Irving



First Semester	OFFICERS	Second Semester
Ralph Kron. Charles Ferm Robert Bevan. Marion Hammond. Edward Stewart	Vice President Secretary Treasurer	Bob Mathews Robert Shelton Robert O'Dwyer

#### MEMBERS

Don Ashmore Richard Beitling Bob Bevan Walter Blagg Jim Boley Eddie Cantwell Keith Chader Dick Chapman Tom Doty Charles Ferm Bill Franke Marion Hammond Lamar Hazen Charles Hersberg John Irwin Ralph Kron Harlan Kilmer Mark Kitch Dale Liljestrand Gene Lund Mervel Lunn

Dependable juniors who will carry the Irving banner next year already are planning projects which will maintain the fine reputation of the club. The departing senior members acknowledge their indebtedness to Irving for bringing together a congenial group of fellow students and they Jack Long Bill McMahon Bob Mathews Charles Mullis James Mullis Jack Meeker Jack Morton Duke Montgomery Bob O'Dwyer Dick Peters George Rensor Dick Ross Bill Rowe Robert Shelton Eddie Stewart Carl Speckman Rex Strunk Bruee Sproull Bob Waltner Donovan Wilkinson Richard White

carry away happy memories of club activities.

Under Miss Eggleston's guidance the Irvings have performed their club duties faithfully. Most of the meetings were well attended and the programs were worth while.

### Promethean



#### First Semester

#### OFFICERS

Second Semester

Margaret Ekholm	
Marjorie Walthall Vice President Phyllis Ah	1
Virginia WrightJane Balfour	
Helen Dodds	1
Melba Nelson	1
Lois Stilwell Parliamentarian Marybelle Wright	Ę.

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#### MEMBERS

Phyllis Ahl Donna Ashlock Jane Balfour Shirley Bertram Peggy Brandenburg Marilyn Cloonan Grace Davis Helen Dodds Jackie Dunlap Ruthaline Eaton Margaret Ekholm Barbara Ellis Helen Granstrom Jean Greenbaum Judith Hadas Barbara Herber

Promethean Literary Society again has succeeded in maintaining the high standards and traditions of former years.

Our members have been outstanding in various activities, winning two first places and other top honors in the Inter-Literary Society Contest. Prometheans have positions on the Crier-Herald staff; others are debaters, orators, actresses, musicians and athletes.

At our meetings members have enjoyed many varied programs. The outstanding one was preDeeHorner Dorothy Hubbard Virginia Johnson Jacqueline Kanally Pat Kelly Doris Klein Annie Love Leach Mary Lou McFarland Barbara Pollard Deborah Stein Lois Stilwell Phyllis Turley Marjorie Walthall Marybelle Wright Virginia Wright

sented by Miss Hatch on "Looking Ahead into 1944."

The spring dance, sponsored jointly by Promethean and Irving, was an outstanding social event of the year. Our beauty queen, Marjorie Walthall, was chosen because of her personification of Promethean ideals.

We feel deeply indebted to our sponsor, Miss Youngs, for her patience and kind understanding throughout the past year.

### Pundit



#### First Semester

#### OFFICERS

Second Semester

Edla Carl	more more than the	President	Betty Taff
Gail Goo	drich	ice President	Jean Suffill
		SecretaryJose	
		TreasurerNorm	

Miss Guffin, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

Nancy Barnes Bettie Bedford Joned Billings Nancy Billings Bette Bright Jane Bucher Beverly Burnett Barbara Butler Edla Carlson Donann Cartmel Virginia Church Marian Clement Ethelmae Craig Dorothy Cortelyou Elizabeth Davis Norma Dehmer Doris Frank Ann Gilliat Betty Golding Gail Goodrich Marilyn Haggard Francis Hahn Barbara Harrington Betty Hazen Mary Lou Hindman Sheryl Holland Annabel Hurley Dorothy Johnston Paula Ruth Julius Josephine Kennedy Donna Kindsvater

One more year of delightful Pundit activities has been completed. High standards and fine traditions have been continued.

An informal dance was held with Clay May 5. The Pundit-Promethean tea also took place on May 5, with the Pundits as hostesses. The Mother's Day tea was held on Mother's Day.

Pundits have devoted their Saturday mornings to rolling Red Cross bandages. Paper bags for waste have been made and sent to hospitals. Last summer many members helped issue ration books.

The programs have been worthwhile and interesting. We have heard Edmund D. Washington, an instructor in Lincoln high school; Dr. Ermil B. Frye and Mr. King. Both groups of new members presented humorous plays. Such highJeanne LaTurin Virginia McFarland Josephine Miller Donna Mueller Verna Murfin Barbara Owen Virginia Palmer Lois Pendleton Marian Pugh Betty Res Jane Riche Helen Root Joicie Rule Gloria Sackmann Emma Schuler Martha Sharpsteen Marguerite Sherman Margie Stauffea Nancy Steele Jean Suffill Rene Sutoris Gustava Swanson Barbara Taff Betty Taff Polly Tucker Pat White Jeanne Whitney Jeanne Wiedenmann Jeanne Wilkinson Eileen Wright Barbara Ann Young Barbara Lee Young

lights as the talent show, the Christmas program, the oration contest and the history of Pundit have provided grand entertainment.

Jane Riche, our queen, was chosen to represent the four qualities for which all Pundits strivebeauty, personality, leadership and character.

Pundit sponsored the annual inter-society literary contest again, giving all society members a chance to display their literary talents.

Now, with the Friendship Circle, our most sacred and symbolic custom, we close another year. More marks of honor have been added to the name of Pundit and more girls have felt the joy of striving for worthwhile goals in the company of true friends.

### Clay



First Semester	OFFICERS	Second Semester
Joe Fichter	Critic	Joedan Saunders Ed Davis
	Miss Beck, Faculty Spons	sor

#### MEMBERS

Stuart Talcroft Dick Sevier Charles Friazell Guy May Don Bitler Dick Fristoe Joedan Saunders Edward Davis Joseph Fichter Frank Schroeder James Howard Reed Murray Charles Averill Jerry McWirter David Firestone Jack Ganzer

This spring marks the end of another successful year for Clay Literary society, one of the oldest organizations in Westport. With fewer members than usual, the club nevertheless has upheld the traditions of former years with pride.

Clay again sponsored the oration contest which was won by Stuart Talcroft, a Clay member.

Leon Levine Newton Campbell Edward McLeroy James Link Dick Marsh Al DeShong William Feagans Jack Brown Robert Zucco Dean Melton Ted Witt Hubert Habn Niles Dixon Pat Dulaney Bob Riley Jack Sevier

At the annual spring dance with Pundit, our sister Literary Society, Edla Carlson was crowned queen. She was chosen for her charm, her vivacious personality and many other talents.

We wish to thank Miss Beck, our sponsor, for her guidance which helped to make 1943-44 a year long to be remembered in the history of Clay.

### El Circulo Calderon



## First Semester OFFICERS Second Semester Betty Taff..... President Ethelmae Craig Ethelmae Craig Vice President Josephine Miller Dorothy Johnston Secretary Barbara Young Norma Kindsvater Treasurer Nancy Barnes Miss Velma Shelley, Faculty Sponsor Marian Secretary Secretary

#### MEMBERS

Betty Taff Barbara Taff Dorothy Jehnston Norma Kindsvater Marilyn Haggard Emma Schuler Bertha Boresow Josephine Miller Ethelmae Craig Verna Murfin Barbara Young Nancy Barnes Barbara Golden Virginia Mantice Pete Kinsey Phyllis Larson

El Circulo Calderon, the Spanish club, conducts all of its meetings in Spanish to stimulate interest and skill in the learning and speaking of the language.

However, the activities of El Circulo Calderon are not purely academic. We have had as guest speakers men and women from a number of South and Central American countries. In fact, the maDonann Cartmel Bettie Bedford Bill Atwood Elizabeth Viscofsky Marilee Johns Donna Faye Rapier Betty Warner Ometa Sieglin Juanita Coy Simona Chavez Doris Kimball Elizabeth Davis Dorothy Roberts Joy Sandstedt Jacqueline Kanally

jor aim of our club is the promotion of Pan-Americanism.

No club could long prosper without capable guidance, which has been liberally supplied by our charming supervisor, Miss Velma Shelley.

This year has been a notable one for our club. More than ever, the members took an active part in the proceedings and showed much initiative in planning programs.

### Sodalitas Immortalis Linguae



#### OFFICERS

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#### MEMBERS

Alice Jean Bailey Mary Lu Biggio Anita Boresow Betty Crandall Jo Ann Crandall Robert Firestone Edward Gillet Annamaria Hersberg Harriet Huncilman Bettye Hooker

Sodalitas Immortalis Linguae was organized by a group of advanced students eager to promote the study of Latin and to derive enjoyment from such a study. The first meeting was held in De= cember.

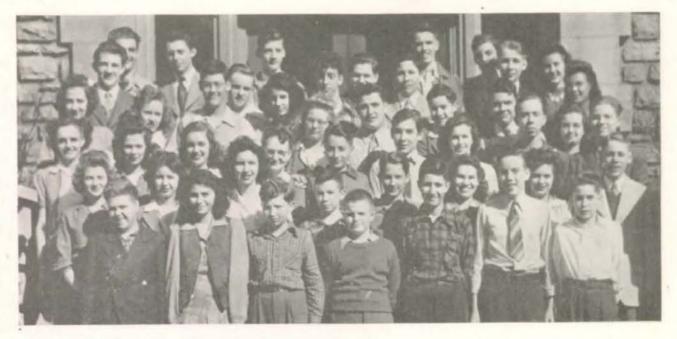
The programs have been diversified and interesting. A highlight of the year was the party held in the music room in honor of Missouri Latin Week, when Miss Burke spoke impressively. At the final meeting the group and invited guests from the Latin department visited the classical section of the Nelson Art Gallery, where Mr. Stephen Walkup, captain of the guards, gave a most Marilyn Johnson Harry Mueller Charles Mullis Louise A. Nelson Wallace Ostlund Phyllis Roberts Robert Showalter Grace Spong Ann Thornberry Beverly Wheeler informing talk on the collection. At all meetings, we sang songs in Latin and had a grand time twisting our tongues to make the syllables meet the rhythm, and racking our brains to solve crossword puzzles.

To Miss Lash and Miss Eggleston, our sponsors, we say "Maximas gratias"—"thanks very much." Without them, our club might not have existed. With their assistance, patience, and guidance we feel we have started a club that we hope will last many years, and be as beneficial to others as it has been to us.

And so we say, Vale!

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### Science



#### First Semester

#### OFFICERS

#### Second Semester

#### MEMBERS

Robert Botts Ed Davis Mary Daywalt Carl Erikson Bill Fink Richard Harrison James Harvey Fred Heim Charles Hersberg James Howard Harvey Kimble Leon Levine Marie Lusby

The Science club has enjoyed one of its most fruitful years under the sponsorship of Mr. Shearer, teacher of aeronautics. Responding to his effective leadership the members really were awake and anxious to participate in the meetings.

Meetings have been held at various places in the city with programs that carried the youthful scientists into many realms of the mysterious. Demonstrations of the applications of physics, chemistry, physiography, human science, psychology, aeronautics, and biology were highly instructive and entertaining. The wonders of chemistry were Dan McDermott Betty Minier Robert Newman Virginia Palmer Lois Pendleton Frank Schroeder Millicent Sheeta Ethel Singer Bruno Stein Bob Thomas Harry Van Trees Stewart Wagner

revealed by Miss Junkin as only she can demonstrate them. Mr. Miner fascinated both seniors and freshmen with his exhibitions of electricity and the laws of elementary physics. Mr. Shearer, the club sponsor, showed how and why an airplane flies. The Navy Department thought the club important enough to rate a showing of one of their films on meteorology, the same type of film used in training our flyers. Science teachers at the University of Kansas City conducted club members through a tour of the science labs and the Power and Light company showed an active interest by allowing a tour of their plant.

### Speech Arts



First SemesterOFFICERSSecond SemesterSheryl Holland...PresidentAlfred DeShongVice PresidentGail Goodrich...SecretaryRita Jean Terry...TreasurerJoe Fichter...ParliamentarianStuart Talcroft...Sergeant-at-ArmsEugene Gerber

Lester Brackenbury

Commentators Virginia Wright

Barbara Owen

#### Miss Keeler, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

Bill Bonewits Lester Brackenbury Newton Campbell Alfred DeShong Tom Döty Dick Furrell Joe Fichter Eugene Gerber Don Oglivie Stuart Taleroft Jack Stewman Tobie Brown Joyce Carnahan Norma Dehmer Margaret E. Kholm Shirley Elliott Gail Goodrich Shirley Hammond

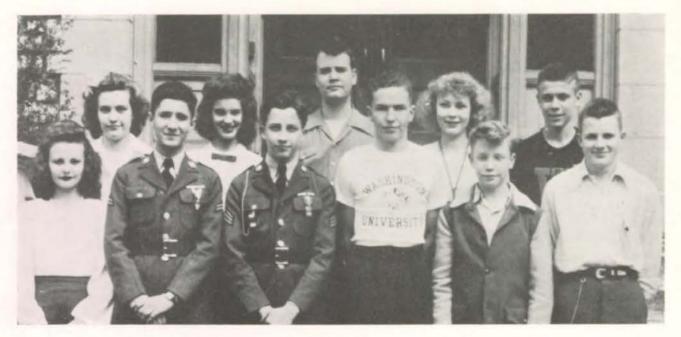
The Speech Arts club closed its twenty-second year with thirty-five active, enthusiastic members. Program numbers consisted of readings, scenes from plays, original and impromptu skits. Scenes were presented from "A Lucky Break," "The Fifteenth Candle," "The Second Spring," "A Syncopated Surge," "Sun-Kissed," "Nothing but the Truth," and "The Imaginary Invalid."

Instead of following the traditional method of

Betty Hazen Sheryl Holland Annabel Hurley Gaynelle Irving Jeannette Mallin Catherine McKim Betty Osborne Barbara Owen Joicie Rule Anita Sloan Evelyn Stout Dorothy Terry Rita Terry Ann Thornberry Beverly Van Bibber Shirley Werner Marybelle Wright

tryout, aspirants for membership were invited to tryout in club meetings. Fifteen members took part in the all-school plays. In the club's fourteenth annual patriotic oration contest, Rita Jean Terry placed first, and Joyce Carnahan, second; in the contest in parliamentary law, Virginia Wright was first, and Joicie Rule, second. We express appreciation to our adviser, Miss Keeler, for her assistance and counsel.

### Stage and Screen



First Semester	OFFICERS	Second Semester
Newton Campbell Jerry McWhirter Sheryl Holland Jean Suffill Helen Dodds	Vice President Secretary Treasurer	

Mr. King, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

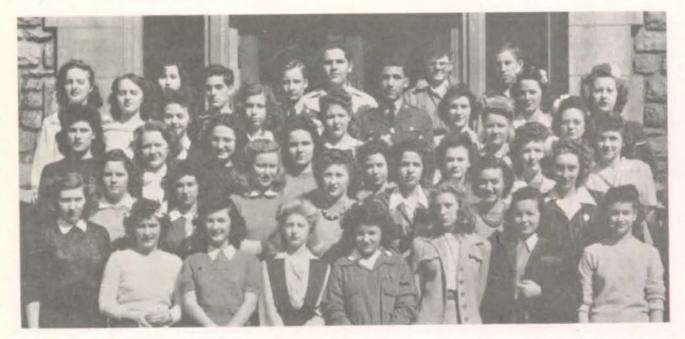
Nancy Barnes Richard Chapman Helen Dodds Margaret Ekholm Shirley Elliott Charles Hersberg Sheryl Holland Charles Hulse Doris Klein

Stage and Screen's activities spread into varied fields of service. As always, the club has furnished stage crews for the plays. These boys and girls built, painted and erected the sets. They assisted with the costuming and make-up work. The boys functioned backstage at every assembly. Under the able guidance of Mr. King, the sponsor, the club has learned how to operate the complicated apparatus used in shifting backdrops and footMarilyn MeDonald Jerry McWhirter Dean Melton Harry Moore Lois Pendleton Robert Tengdin Dorothy Terry Robert Zucco

lights. Instructions and demonstrations were given new members to teach them the art of lighting, prompting and make-up. The club trained all of its members in the operation of motion picture projection machines and furnished operators to the various departments to assist in the showing of many pictures.

This interesting year was climaxed by the annual club picnic.

### Jules Guerin



# First Semester OFFICERS Second Semester Richard White President Richard White Donna Rapier Vice President Alice Whipple Marian Pugh Secretary Eileen Wright Alice Whipple Treasurer Nadine Harrison Niles Dixon Sergeant-at-Arms Powell Galitzky Doris Marzoff Parliamentarian Jean Suffill Bob Holloway Critic Marilyn McHenry

Miss Wilhite, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

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This has been an eventful year for the Jules Guerin Art club, with the members participating in Red Cross work in addition to their usual activities. They made quantities of table decorations, place cards, posters and cards for various occasions for the Junior Red Cross to be sent to members of the armed forces both in the United States and overseas. Two weeks were spent gathering magazines, cutting out interesting pictures and making scrap books for the children in Mercy hospital.

Participation in the annual membership art contest was the largest in the history of the club, with forty-one entries, in the mediums of oil paint, water color, colored chalk, pencil, charcoal, tempera paint, and pen and ink.

### Alpha Lyra



First Semester

OFFICERS

Second Semester

Mr. Spring, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

Phyllis Ahl Betty Bly Andrews Alan Baker Jane Balfour Gwendolyn Boerner Darlene Copeland Dorothy Cortelyou Howard DeMastus Milton Dowell Maurine Filson Paul Goeckeler Mary Lou Hindman

Alpha Lyra, one of the oldest organizations in Westport, was started by a group of members of the girls' and boys' glee clubs who had been chosen to present an operetta. Our purpose now is to promote musical programs and appreciation.

A carefully planned program is presented at each meeting by members of the club, under the supervision of the vice president. Every member Paula Ruth Julius Betty Kanally Roy Mabe Jerome Mandl Eddie McLeroy Frances Nekuda Lucille Nekuda Eunice Nicoll Martha Ann Rush Marjorie Walthall Jeanne Whitney

is encouraged to participate frequently in order to gain self-confidence and poise, as well as for entertainment. In the presentation of these programs, musical talent often is discovered.

We are grateful to Mr. Spring, our able adviser, for his guidance and influence throughout the year, and take this opportunity to express our thanks to him.

### Girl Reserves



#### OFFICERS

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Mary Louise Lundberg	
Rose Marie Purdom	
Miss Ida E. Durboraw	

Yvonne Anderson Mary Baney Yvonne Bare Ruth Miriam Barman Nancy Barnes Eugenia Beaumont Eugenia Beaumont Betty Frances Bisbee Lenore Branstetter Glenna Branstetter Phyllis Brooks Helen Bullock Eleanor Carleton Erma Carpenter Maudie Crum Elaine Davis Mary Daywalt Doris DeFries Gwenn Drury Gwenn Drury Dorothy Edwards Shirley Elliott Vivian Ernest Wanda Tinglepaugh Betty Fluke

Dorothy Mae Foland Ann Fox Doris Frank Doris Frank Ann Gilliat Barbara Golding Marilyn Haggard Frances Heenan Shirley Hubbell Dorothy Adelle Jackson Marilee Johns Paula Ruth Julius Betty Kanally Marilyn Kendrick Tressa Kimble Novalee Kolbe Gelene Kober Beverly Lang Maxine Laye Jerree Lancaster Margaret Liddle Helen Lohmeyer Nancy Lund

The Girl Reserves look back with pride to a year filled with many interesting and varied activities. This all-school club included more than ninety members.

A number of formal and informal dances given at the YWCA featured the social program. A party for the freshmen and a tea given at the Young Kansas Citians' club at the beginning of the year served to introduce the group to Westport girls.

Realizing that religion holds an important place in a well-rounded life, the cabinet arranged Christ-

#### Ruth O'Bester

CABINET

Pat Trudell Jerry Turk

Phoebe Matchett Glenna Branstetter Nancy Barnes

Marybelle Wright

**Ometa** Seiglin

Mary Louise Lundberg Shirley Maloney Phoebe Matchett Marsha McCall Betty Lou Miller June Murray Ruth O'Bester Dorothy Jane Pauling Rose Marie Purdom Donna Faye Rapier Lillian Rich Dolores Roller Shirley Ryle Carolyn Sanders Joy Sandstedt Omega Seiglin Jean Carole Spur Elaine Tinenbaum Beverly Thomas Lucy Thompson Pearl Thompson

Marilyn Haggard

Laura Williams

Shirley Elliott

Rose Marie Van Horn Mary Louise Vess Barbara Waltner Barbara Waltner Beverly Waltner Charleen Ward Patricia Ward Betty Warner Benney West Dayleen Whitehead Olive Wilhelm Laura Williams Olive Wilhelm Laura Williams Doris Wilson Georgia Withrow Melba Withrow Gertrude Woelfle Marybelle Wright Carol Edwards Place La Callance Flora Lee Gallemore Joan DeVore Marjorie Wuebold

mas and Easter services with special music. The annual Palm Sunday breakfast was a real inspiration for those who attended.

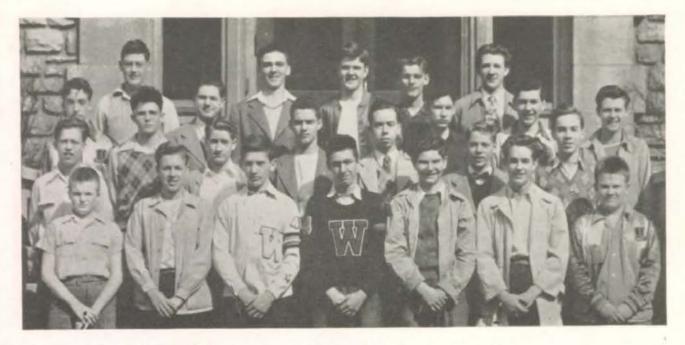
Guest speakers gave interesting talks on "How to Make the Most of Yourself" at three meetings, and several discussions of prejudices and world affairs served to acquaint the girls with today's problems.

In all of their activities the Girl Reserves of Westport have striven consistently to fulfill their motto-"To find and give the best."

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MEMBERS

### Hi-Y



## First Semester OFFICERS Second Semester Dick Fristoe... President Bob O'Dwyer Charles Averill. Vice President Marion Hammond Kenneth Britt. Secretary Tom Doty Guy May Treasurer Guy May Ed Davis Chaplain Lester Brackenbury

Sergeant Metz, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

Jim Abbott Charles Averill Paul Beatty Kenneth Britt Eddie Cantwell Charles Carter Ed Davis Tom Doty Pat Dulaney George Evans Bill Feagans Homer Ferguson Bob Ferber Joe Frichter Dick Fristoe Charles Frizzell Bob Gershon Marion Hammond Lamar Hazen David Hochberg Charles Hulae Dong Humphreys Gene Hunter Gary Johnson

Handicapped in the fall by the lack of a faculty sponsor the Hi-Y is not claiming credit for notable achievements this year. The weekly meeting received little publicity but a mixer early in the year and an enjoyable hay-ride made the headlines.

Most impressive and helpful of the talks given by guest speakers was one on "Spiritual Values" Dickie Johnston Mark Kitch Jim Link Dick Marsh Bob Matthews Guy May Jack Miller Bob Mosher Bob O'Brien Bob O'Brien Bob O'Brien Bob O'Brien Bob O'Dwyer Tim O'Leary Lindy Pennington Richard Peters Joedan Saunders Dick Sevier Karl Speekman Bob Spencer Jack Summerwell Bob Tengdin Harry Vantrees Ray Williams Bob Wright Donald Yocum

by Miss Hatch.

Sergeant Metz has lifted the morale of the club since his appointment as sponsor. There has been a noticeable improvement in the programs and the interest of the members has been revived. More than half of the membership will return next year to make the Hi-Y a bigger and better organization.

### W-Club



#### OFFICERS

	WebbPresident	
Nick	CarrasVice President	
Dick	KentSecretary-Treasurer	
	Higgins	
	Mr. Boursette Faculta Chemens	

Mr. Bourette, Faculty Sponsor

#### MEMBERS

Ted Altschul Eugene Banaka Russel Borg Gene Brock Roy Brown Delmar Burton Nick Carras George Chattin Clayton Cox Dick Cox Bob Crouse Pat Dulaney Bill Feagans Jack Ganzer Bob Gershon Bob Higgins Dick Kent Jim Littrell

The W-Club is composed of boys who have earned a letter in any of the major sports. The only actual requirement is the winning of that letter, but in addition, there are three obligations which every member must meet—good sportsmanship; clean, healthful living, and a wholesome attitude around school.

Many of the former activities have been discontinued because of the war, but the essential aims Dean Melton Jim McClelland LeRoy Mitchell Leonard Molotsky Eddie Myers Bob O'Brien Bill Paddoek Don Sanders Bob Sims Bob Sturgons Howard Vermillion Ted Whales Bob Webb Diek Weinberg Bob Zucco Bob Kay John Cassidy

and functions of the club have not been modified. At a final picnic meeting in Swope Park officers were selected for the next year. On these occasions there always is plenty of entertainment and food for everyone. The letdown comes when the seniors finally realize this is the last time they will be playing for their school and their coach. But all agree that they leave Westport with a deeper understanding of sportsmanship and in much better condition to fight for their country.

### Pep Club



## First Semester OFFICERS Second Semester Lois Stilwell President Mary Alice Nelson Betty Golding Vice President Mary Louise Vess Marguerite Sherman Secretary June Lee Smith June Lee Smith Treasurer Jeanne Endres Mr. King, Faculty Sponsor Sensor

#### CHEERLEADERS

Mary Jane McCord Mary Alice Nelson Marguerite Sherman Betty Rea Guy May Stuart Talcroft Robert Lindholm Joe Fichter

#### MEMBERS

Mildred Anders Jane Balfour Barbara Bane Nacy Bilings Betty Boekman Jerry Brown Vivian Brumfield Jimmy Burns Mildred Carlson Joy Carnahan Lois Carnahan Lois Carnahan Donann Cartmel Norma Dingwirth Jackie Dunlap Jeanne Endres Beverly Englehardt

Shirley Englehardt Gwendolyn Fry Betty Golding Barbara Golden Barbara Gordon Marilyn Haggard Betty Henson Mary Hudosn Adelle Jackson Robert Lindholm Jean Luhnow Don Mackie Guy May Edris McCarty Mary Jane McCord Marjorie Miller Betty Minier June Murray Mary Alice Nelson Lois Oxley Erma Jean Rehkop Phyllis Mae Roberts Patsy Russell Marguerite Sherman June Lee Smith Helen Spencer Lois Stilwell Mary Thompson Beverly Van Bibber Charleen Ward Beverly Wheeler

Organized to give aid and comfort to the cheerleaders, the prima donnas of the world of sports, the Tiger Claws performed admirably at all of the interscholastic contests during the fall and winter.

In addition to powerful lungs the equipment of a good Claw consists of boundless enthusiasm and / overflowing optimism, for the Claws must cheer lustily while trying to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat.

In preparation for the 1944 football season the Claws chose undergraduate officers in the election held May 9 and picked new cheerleaders in a spring tryout.

### **Bands and Orchestra**



Always dependable on occasions when stirring melody and rousing rhythm are indispensable, the band has filled a heavy schedule throughout the year, playing at football and basketball games, assemblies, dedication ceremonies, Parent-Teacher Association meetings and pre-induction conferences. Without the band, important R.O.T.C. functions would have lacked color and vim. The band, in a word, has been a superb morale builder and a much appreciated source of entertainment.

War conditions have reduced the size of the band, but its musical qualities, which the public has learned to expect during the years of Mr. Keenan's leadership, gives it professional rating.

From the Junior band will come next year's Senior band members. Mr. Keenan has high hopes for this group and looks forward to an excellent concert band. The orchestra, as usual, played for various school events, including the Christmas and Spring plays and PTA meetings, and took a leading part in the Spring concert. Soloists and string ensembles from the orchestra have received high praise

> Violins Jacqueline Baltis Eleanor Carleton Annamarie Hersberg Frances Nekuda Ruth Rueckert Ethel Senger Beverly Waltner Vivian Weeks Doris Wilson Gertrude Woelfie John DeHaven Lloyd Frank Raymond Gorham Stanley Hoffman Ernie Kemper Orion Mehus

Clarinet Don Ashmore Dick Chapman Earl Moon Dan Moore Harry Moore Charles Mullis Robert Newman Don Wilson Ted Witt Marjorie Colbert Margaret Liddle Betty McCollum Barbara Sevier

Oboe Allan Bennett Joyce Murrell

Bassoon Carl Erickson

Bass Clarinet Betty Bailey

Tenor Saxophone Bryan Riggs Jack Yates Bettye Hooker

Clarinets Clay Campbell Ralph DeLap Robert Matthews Shirley Alton Helen Bullock Elaine Speiser Margaret Spillers Janice Beeker

Saxophone Virginia Greening

Flute Mary Helen Ryder when they appeared at receptions, banquets and similar gatherings.

Although the war has caused a decline in membership, the orchestra maintains its high standards, reproducing the works of the masters of music with real artistry and true appreciation.

#### ORCHESTRA

Violns Raymond Gorham John Turley

Cellos June Baltis Mary Lou Hindman Barbara Waltner Paul Goeckler

Clarinets Dick Chapman Donald Wilson

Flute Patty Ann Young

#### CONCERT BAND

Alto Saxophone Gene Brock Allen Schiff Ben Schuster George Cezar

Flute Beverley Frank Lucretia Johnston

Drum Major Glen Todd

Cornet Irwin Block Charles Edwards John Irwin Roy Mabe Richard Ross Bradley Sells Rueben Silverman Bob Thomas

Baritone Raymond Casebolt Bob Ferber Bob Gillespie Bob Kelley

Bass Drum Helen Shepard

#### JUNIOR BAND

Cornets Luce, Richard James McAfoose Robert McCollum Thomas Robel Richard Moss Winifred Copeland Leslie Herd

Melophone David Kreamelmeyer

Trombone Edwin Johnson Hubert Hahn Bass Viols Dorothy Cortelyou Eunice Nicoll Dorothy Gartner Jerome Mandl

Trumpets Charles Edwards Milton Dowell Roy Mabe Fred Titus

French Horn Mary Lou Brown

Trombone Bob Landis Jim Newcomb Glenn Todd

French Horn Frank Franano Jim Mullis Tom Robinett Mary Lou Brown

Tuba Vernon Bottenfield Howard Vermillion

Drum James Boley Betty Grotzinger Vivian Johnson

Tympani Dorothy Gartner

Twirlers Charles Gale Betty Jo Hardman Barbara Herber Margaret Walrod

Baritones Ernest Dome Eugene Sewell

Drums Gewertz, Teddy Loren Pitts

Trumpets Ralph Carlson Richard Furrell

Bass Horn Samuel Johnson

Bassoon Lenora Runyen

### A Cappella Choir and Girls Glee Club



#### A CAPPELLA CHOIR

First Semester

OFFICERS Second Semester

Robert Shelton	President David Hougland
	Vice President Phyllis Ahl
	Secretary Marjorie Walthall
	Treasurer Charles Frizzell
Jane Balfour Paula Ruth Julius (	Librarians   Jane Balfour
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Representing Westport at various churches and broadcasting over the radio, this year the A Cappella Choir has had opportunity to receive musical experience of great value. Ensembles have done some extra concert work, and for this, the director and the members have received many expressions of appreciation.

Among the visitors this year was Noble Cain. The choir was interested in Mr, Cain's explanation of the different types of music and the interpretation of Longfellow's poem, "The Singer."

To Mr. Spring we give our hearty thanks for his capable and effective leadership.

#### GIRLS GLEE CLUB

First Semester	OFFICERS	Second Semester
Helen Dodds Paula Ruth Julius Gloria Sackmann	Vice President. Secretary Treasurer	Paula Ruth Julius Gloria Standard Gloria Sackmann Annabel Hurley Martha Rush

To be pleasing to the ear is the goal of these girls, although most audiences agree that the club is pleasing to the eyes as well. The girls have no definite uniform but make a fine appearance whether they are attired in dresses for assemblies, in formals for concerts, or in sweaters and skirts as they are pictured.

The Glee club presented concerts for assemblies and churches; a small ensemble sang for the Parent-Teacher Association and the high point of the year's concerts was the participation in the spring concert presented by the instrumental department.

To Miss Ounsworth, the new accompanist, we say, "Thank you," and to Mr. Spring we wish to express our sincere appreciation for his fine work and splendid direction.

### **PTA Officers**



PTA Executive Board

PTA activities have included sewing at the Mutual Help Center and assisting in all branches of Civilian Defense work. The outstanding feature of the year was the PTA's contribution to get the Westport Tiger Den started. We are proud of

our part in this project and hope that it will bring happiness and recreation to the students of Westport. Much has been accomplished and both parents and teachers are to be commended for the fine spirit of cooperation that has existed all through the year.

### Health Center Staff



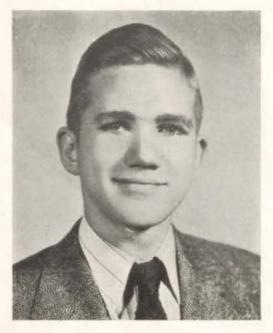
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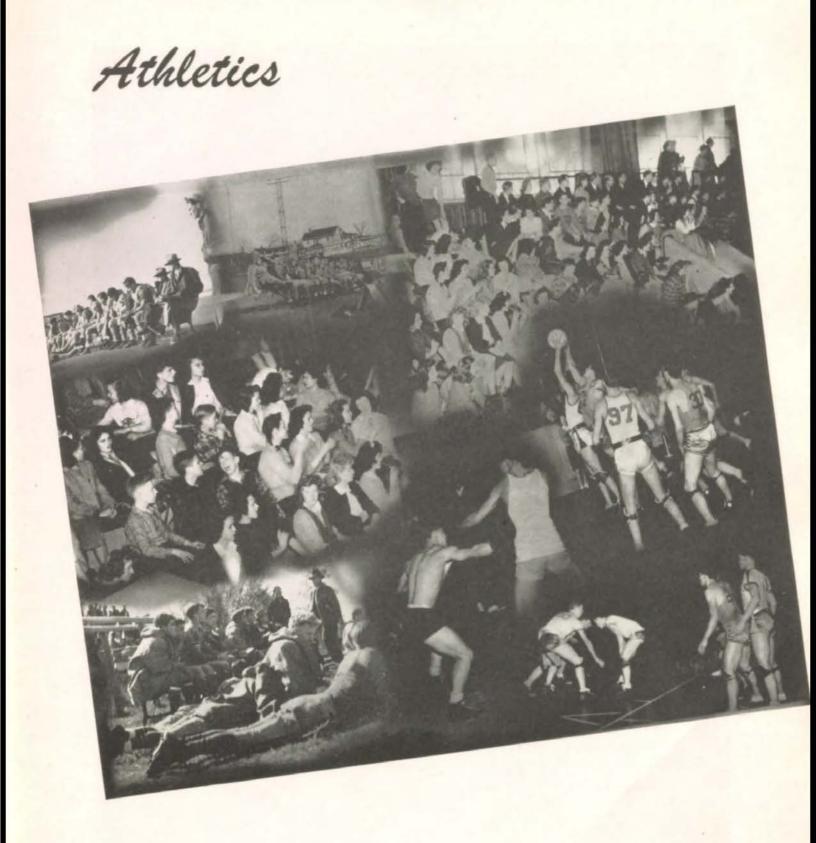
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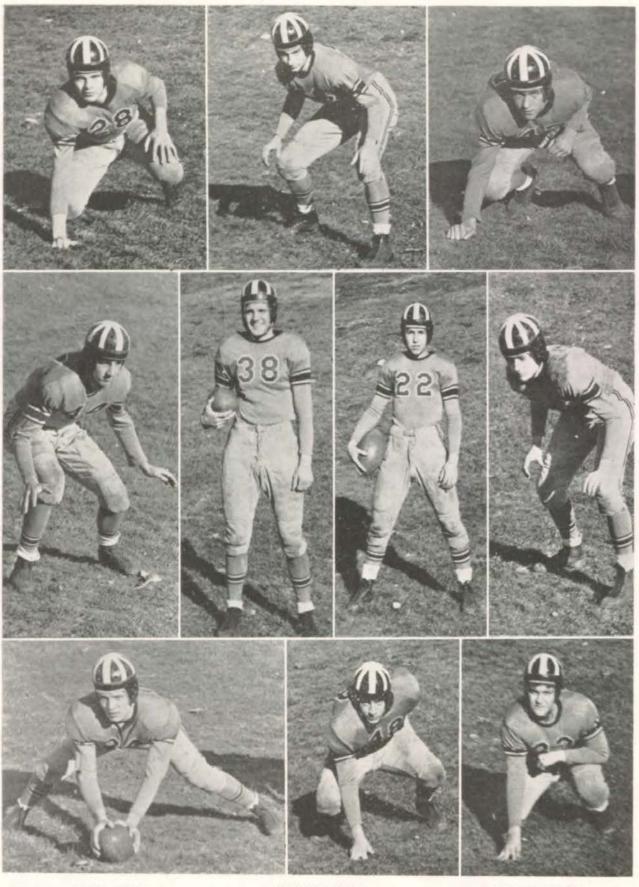
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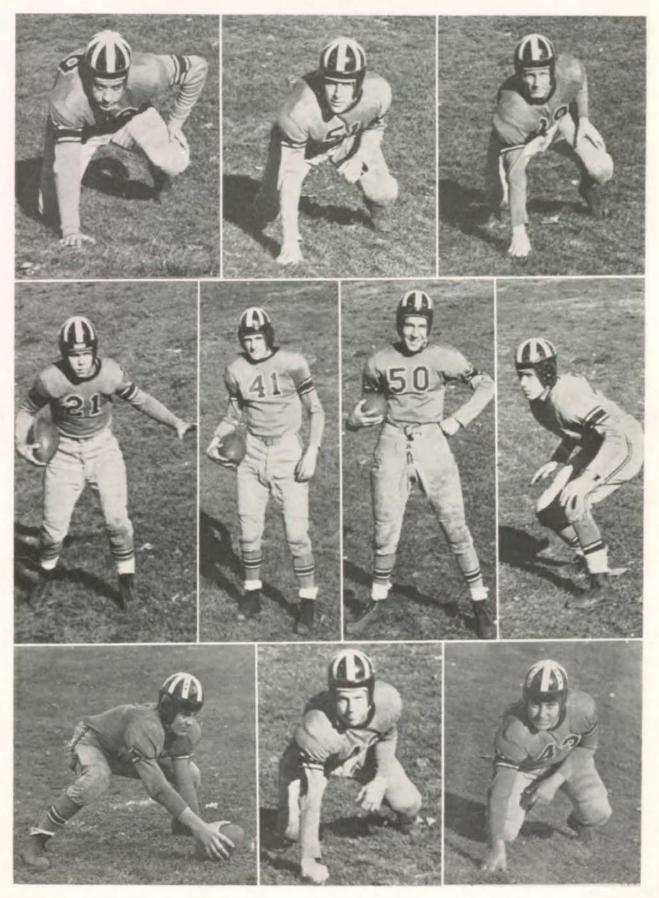
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### Football Individuals

WALT GATES . BOB WATTENBERG

LEONARD MOLOTSKY TED WALES BOB HIGGINS VIC KING JIMMY LITTRELE EDDIE MEYERS BOB HIGGINS VIC KING BILL PATTISON

FRANK ALLISON



### Basketball



JACK MILLER NICK CARRAS BOB HIGGINS

BILL FEAGANS BOB GERSHON LEROY MITCHELL PAT DULANEY

BOB O'BRIEN DICK COX JAMES EARP

### Second Football Team

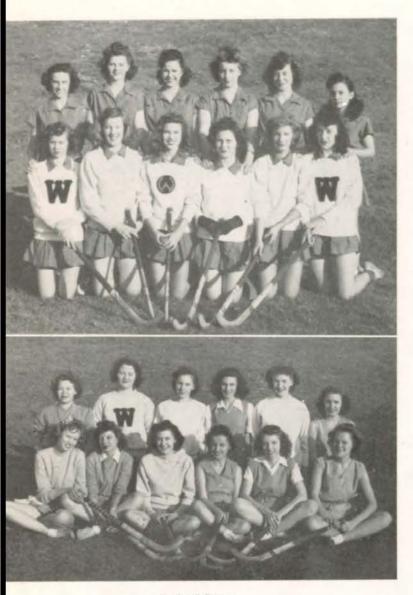


Bob Crouse Jim McClelland Dick Weinberg Bob Zucco Ted Altschul Delmar Burton Jack Clark Gene Banaka Bob Sims Bob Kay Jack Ganzer George Chattin Dean Melton Gene Brock Clayton Cox

### Second Basketball Team



Jerry Huckstep Bob Crouse Norman Teetor Max Teeter Eugene Banaka Bob Zucco Dean Melton Bill McMahon Delmar Burton Bob Simms



Senior B Team

Girls Sports

◀ Junior Team

Sophomore Team





Senior A Team >

### Basketball



Front row, left to right-Joan Hood, Gail Goodrich, Betty Taff, Norma Kindsvater, Barbara Taff, Jean Fleck. Back row-Bettie Bedford, Margo Brazier, Josephine Miller, Charmaine Gile, Marguerite Sherman, Betty Golding.

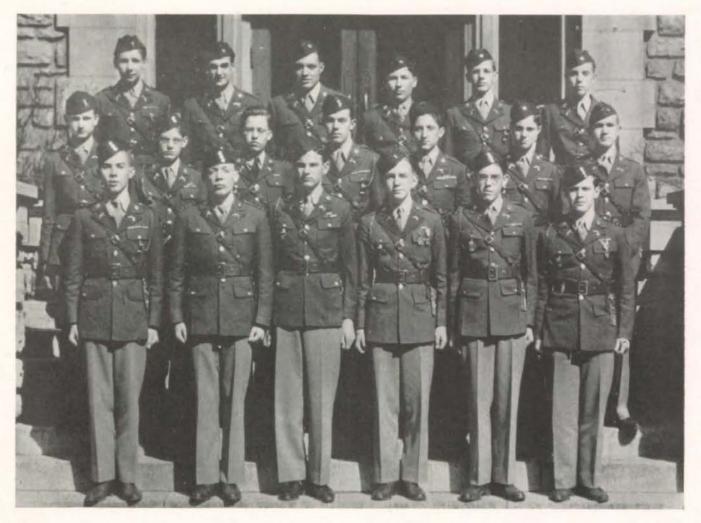
For many years the girls of Westport have taken their sports seriously and have devoted long hours after school to the pursuance of their favorite games. For this reason our girls' physical education department is one of the finest organizations of its kind, developing healthy, skillful, good-natured girls.

The important interscholastic events of the year have been the three sports playdays for hockey, basketball, and individual sports. In both hockey and basketball we entered capable teams and finished among the leaders. On the individual sports day those who excelled in minor sports were given a chance to prove their skill with the result that Westport again ranked among the winners.

These successes would not have been possible without the guidance of the girls physical education instructors, Miss Fairchild, Miss Jones and Miss Small, who have given us friendly, helpful instruction and aid. We thank them for their efforts. We welcome Miss Small who has won the lasting respect and affections of the gym pupils in the short time that she has been here.

The goal of all feminine athletes is the Senior Athletic Pin which represents supreme athletic attainment. It is awarded to graduating seniors who have received six letters in the several sports during the course of their inter-class competition. As a rule, only a small percentage of the senior athletes win this coveted honor. The girls who have achieved the goal this year are: Gail Goodrich, Josephine Miller, Betty Rea, Paula Julius, Norma Kindsvater, Marguerite Sherman, and Betty Golding.

### Officers



#### Front row, left to right-

RICHARD FRISTOR

Cadet Captain

Second row-

HOWARD OAKES	ROBERT LENNINGTON	MARION J. HAMMOND	CHARLES FERM	ROBERT SHELTON	RICHARD POSH	JACK MORTON
Cadet 1st Lt.	Cadet 1st Lt.	Cadet 1st Lt.	Cadet 1st Lt.	Cadet 1st Lt.	Cadet 2nd Lt.	Cadet 2nd Lt.

#### Back row-

J	AMES	Howard
	Cadet	2nd Lt.

FRANK SCHROEDER Cadet 2nd Lt.

Cadet Captain

LESTER BRACKENBURY LINDY PENNINGTON

BOB SPENCER Cadet 2nd Lt.

Cadet Captain

FRED HEIM Cadet 2nd Lt.

ROBERT FERBER

Cadet Major

ROBERT HOAGLAND Cadet 2nd Lt.

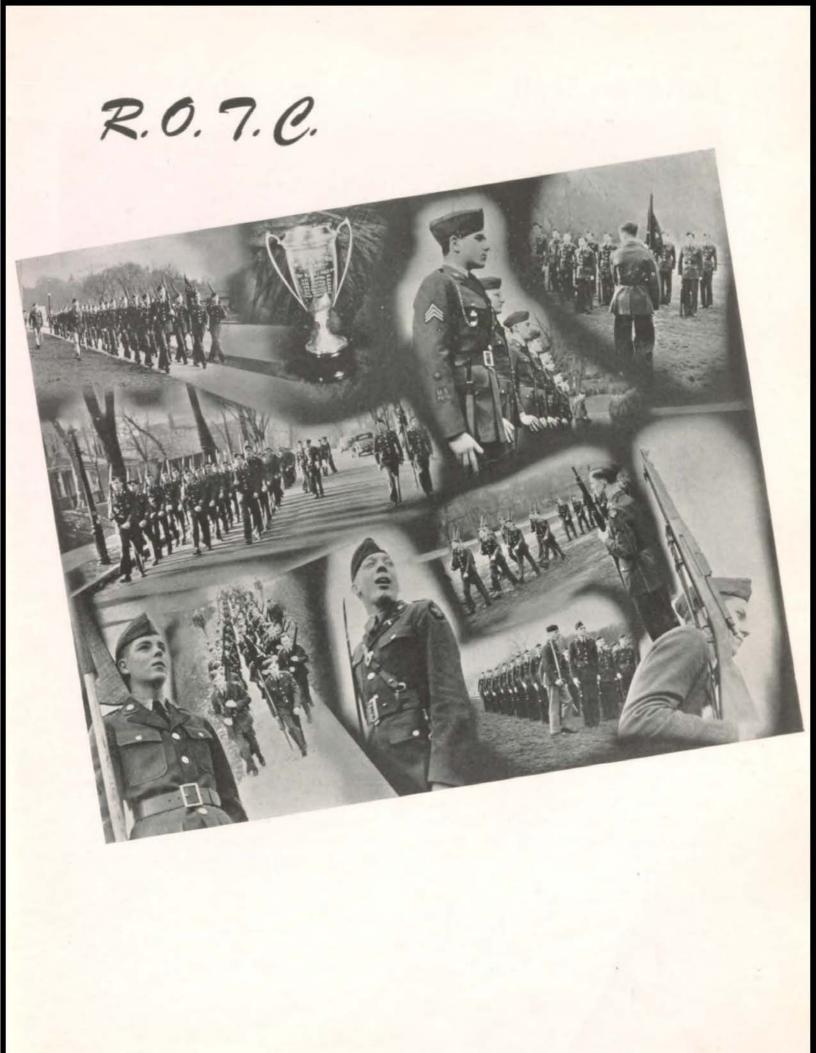
WILLIAM SEXTON

Cadet Captain

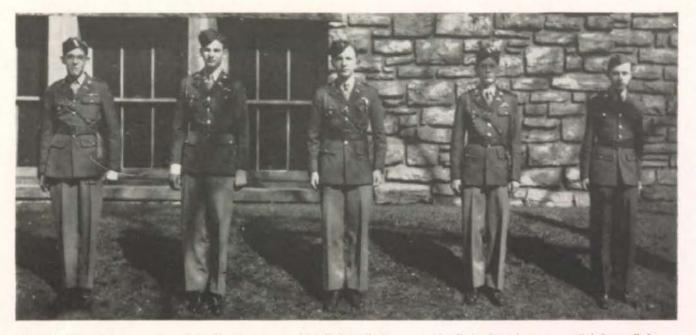
ROBERT O'DWYER

Cadet Captain

#### JACK HEDGER Cadet 2nd Lt.



### **Battalion Staff**



Capr. William Sexton Capt. John Pennington Maj. Robert Ferber 1st Lt. Robt. Lennington Cpl. James Boley Battalion Commander Battalion Supply Sergeant

Trophies won in the 1943 ROTC Field Day have been constant reminders of past triumphs while serving as incentives to excellent performance throughout the year. In his second year as instructor Sergeant Metz has maintained the same standards of efficiency that contributed to the battalion's past success.

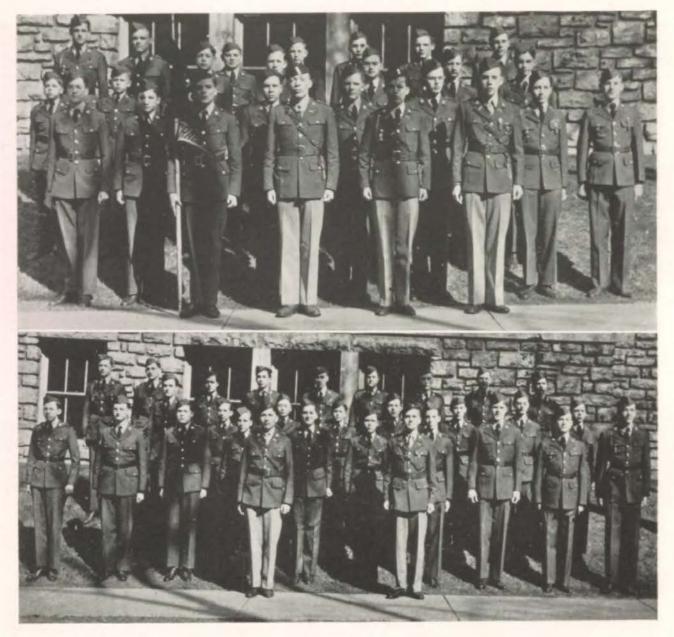
Organized in 1916 as the First Battalion, 11th Regiment, H.S.V.U.S., the ROTC unit has a distinguished record extending back more than a quarter of a century.

The battalion instructor in its early years was Mr. Fristoe, whose son Dick is captain of Company B. During the same period Mr. Holloway was in charge of the Central unit.

In the 1918 Herald Mr. Fristoe is given credit for developing "a perfect piece of mechanism" and he is described as a "firm, just and much liked instructor." Until after 1920 the cadets bought their own uniforms-standard West Point blue gray tunics and trousers-and for weapons they carried old style Springfield rifles. After changing to khaki the uniforms were supplied by the government. The legs of officers and privates were encased in breeches with spiral puttees below the knees. These puttees were the source of much embarrassment when they became unwound during drill.

World War I brought another change in uniform. Collars on the blouses were turned down, a khaki shirt was added and slacks were substituted for breeches and puttees. Sponsors flourished in the post-war period until each unit had a flock of sponsor captains and lieutenants in addition to the original sponsor major. The climax was reached when Sgt. Archie Morris organized a company of Amazons. Girls were barred from participation in ROTC activities the following year.

# Company A



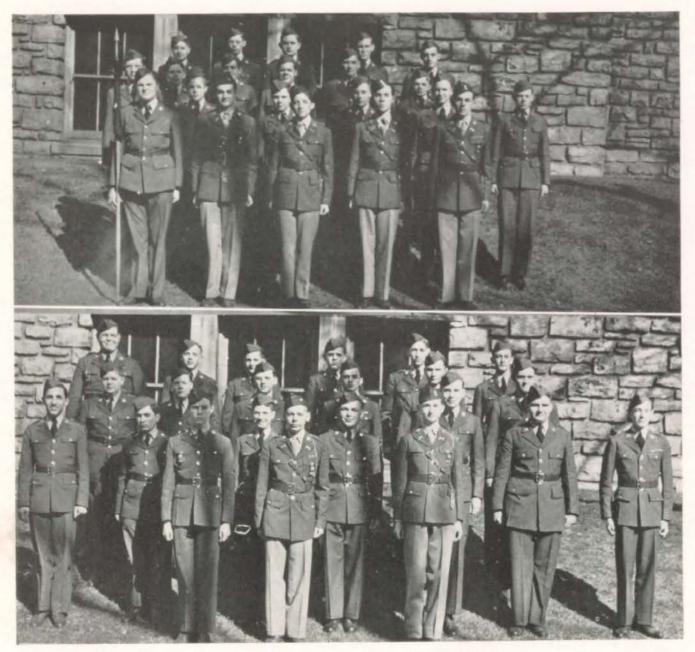
Captain	Lester H. Backenbury
First L	eutenant
Second	LieutenantJack L. Morton
Second	LieutenantJack B. Hedger
Second	Lieutenant Fred A. Heim

FIRST SERGEANT Ralph H. Basler SERGEANTS Williams Wilkinson Campbell Marsch Sproull Reasor Bevan Lund Barash

CORPORALS Jennings Edwards Willhardt Rowe Gilgus Murray Robinett PRIVATES (First Class) Hagen Vinson PRIVATES Hammontree Kelley Swenson Wilaon Anderson Barnett Beyer DeHaven Holloway Miller Meredith Morrison Ostlund Bullis Harvey Hickman Lindholm Mann Peniston Snyder Spinner Stutesman Baker Brown

Doty Felts Hutchison Parker Swanson Brammer Brown Caddell Davis Lenk Morrison Mueller Oakes Ragan Sloman Bonewita Caddell Cooper Grinham Landis MeConnell Minter Peterson

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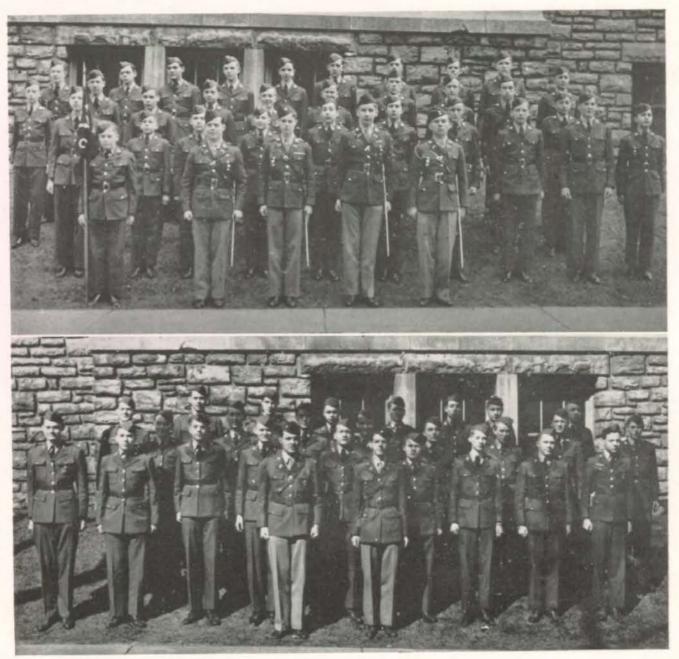


Captain	Richard B. Fristoe
First Lieutenant	Charles D. Ferm
First Lieutenant	
First Lieutenant	.Howard W. Oakes
Second Lieutenant	Frank Schroeder
Second Lieutenant	Ralph E. Kron

STAFF SERGEANTS Zsaido Meeker FIRST SERGEANT William L, Barnes SERGEANT C, Smith CORPORALS Beitling White Speckman Hochberg Shipe Holder Whitesell Titus PRIVATES (First Class) Dowell PRIVATES Ashmore Bennett Bowers Chaffin McCall Skalitzky Staley Kilmer Conley

Dooley Fichter Heilma Johnston Tucker Allen Block Canterbury Freed Matson Yager Yates Fries Garrett Hoffman Lippeneott Stevenson Zink Edwards Galtizky Johnston Pollack Stair Swomley Cantwell Zitzpatrick Franano Gale Gerber Moore

# Company C



Captain	Robert P. O'Dwyer
First Lieutenant.	Richard L. Ross
Second Lieutenar	ItRichard K. Posh
Second Lieutenai	ntDavid M. Houghland
Second Lieutenar	ntRobert E. Spencer
Second Lieutena	ntJames R. Howard

FIRST SERGEANT George L. Nitchy SERGEANTS Franke Evans Jones Jacobson CORPORALS Newman Hersberg Boley Wheeler PRIVATES McIntyre Mefford Moorman Riggs Robel Robinett Schiff Schulman Todd Basye Beatty Irwin Marshall Peters Roe Turley Zimmerman Zimmerman Gorbam Moore Ogle Rimmer Samuelson Sewell Sharp Sherwood Steinberg Brandenberg Casebolt Erickson Graff Iske Leveque Peterson Turley Dungan Feutz Gillespie Mabe Reed Wilson

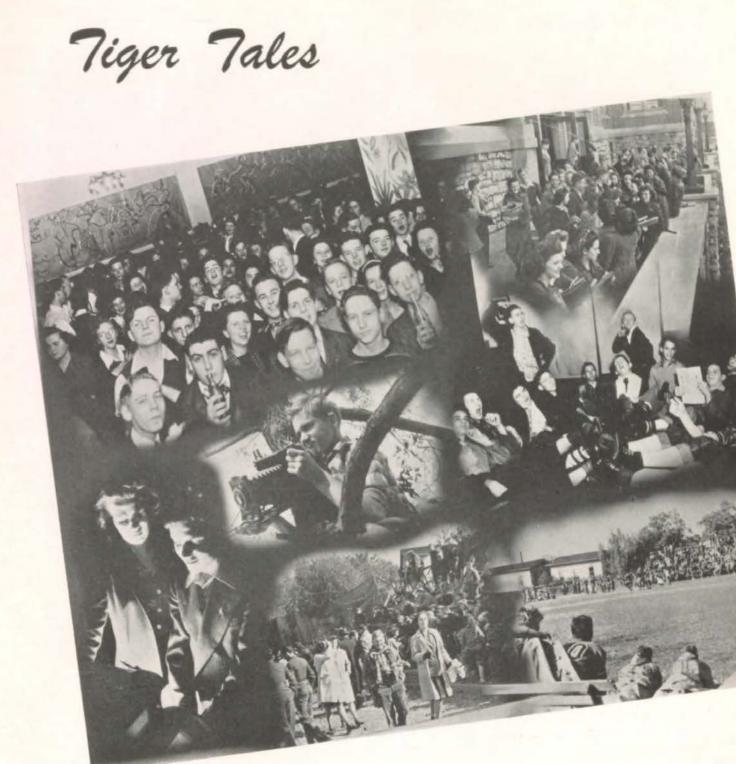
Ethridge Fisk Hill Long Maxey McEwin Palmer Porter Warren



# Lest We Forget

To those who brave the jungle growth Or march through burning desert sands; To those who blaze new air-way trails That lead to distant alien lands; To those who sail the surging sea Or ride beneath its billowed crest, To Westport boys throughout the world The North, the South, the East, and West, We owe an everlasting debt And pen these words lest we forget.

PEARL LANGE SHULER



# Senior Ballot ≡



#### Top row, left to right

Girl most likely to succeed-BETTY TAFF

Betty's the kind Who will succeed For she's fair and square In word and deed.

#### Boy most likely to succeed-ED DAVIS

Now Ed gives evidence Of real success. That he'll reach the top Is a timely guess.

#### Most popular girl-MARTHA RUSH

Dancing eyes and a cheerful soul, To please them all is Martha's goal.

#### Most popular boy-BOB O'BRIEN Tall he is, and with a winsome way

Bob grows more popular every day.

Handsomest Boy-DUKE MONTGOMERY

Duke seems to be the maidens' choice They speak by actions, eye and voice. He is the dream man of the year Deserving it, it would appear.

#### Prettiest girl-EILEEN WRIGHT Pretty is as pretty "duz" (Duz does everything)-Adv. And that's the truth "becuz" Eileen has proved that this is so Otherwise we would not know.

#### Bottom row, left to right

Girl with the best figure-MARIAN CLEMENT Measured and weighed And right on the trigger,

We find that Marian Has the best "figger." Boy with the best physique–DICK COX Strong man of the school is Dick; For best physique he is our pick.

Best boy dancer-EDDIE MILLIKEN Milliken's the Boogie king No matter if it's slow or swing.

Best girl dancer-BETTY REA Betty dances round and round; A better one we have not found. What a partner Betty makes, For she always has what it takes.

Comedian-NORMA KINDSVATER Norma has a ready wit But no one seems to mind a bit.

#### Boy with the best personality-KEITH CHADER

Keith is such a pleasant lad Except when someone makes him sad. Personality and tact Give him poise, and that's a fact.



Top row, left to right Flirt-MARY JANE McCORD Mary Jane has a good line, Or is it just a string? It seems to be an elusive thing Of which the poets like to sing.

Wolf-DON COVERT Don has a way with gals That truly is divine; Just what it is, though, We really can't define

Best known girl stag-PAT GOUDIE Pat just wouldn't be a drag. She'd much prefer to be a stag.

Best known boy stag-CHUCK AVERILL

Chuck wolfs around In his own style. He likes to roam In single file.

Best known couple-LOIS STILWELL and BOB O'BRIEN For O'Brien and Stilwell, just these two The birds are singing, and the sky is blue, Jack is typical, you see,

And love's young dream is coming true, Girl who has done most for Westport-

GAIL GOODRICH A top ranking student by every rule

Gail has done much for the good of the school.

Girl with the best personality-JACKIE DUNLAP

After all is said and done Jackie is a peck of fun. Personality is there From tip of toes up to her hair.

#### Bottom row, left to right

Boy who has done most for Westport-STUART TALCROFT Stuart's efforts have been staunch and true

To uphold the honor of the Gold and Blue.

JACK MILLER Jack is typical, you see, Not too good and not too bad, Not too happy and not too sad. Best actor-JOE FICHTER Dramatics is Joe's middle name-

We know he'll reach the "Hall of Fame."

Best dressed boy-EDDIE McLEROY Snappy sweaters, shirts and ties Eddie dazzles many eyes.

Best dressed girl-JANE RICHE Janie dresses fit to kill; Envy she just must instill Into every maiden's heart, With clothes the world calls smart. Best actress-RITA TERRY In the line of oratory Rita reaches the top story. Typical Westport girl-EDLA CARLSON Edla has become well known-She has acquired the "Westport Tone."

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# Headlines of the FUTURE

#### Our Ideals

#### BOY

Hair-Charlie Averill Eyes-Jack Miller Nose-Duke Montgomery Mouth-Kenny Britt Height-Bob O'Brien

#### GIRL

Hair–Norma Dehmer Eyes–Martha Rush Nose–Marguerite Sherman Mouth–Eileen Wright Height–Barbara Kelley Action shot of Mars bathing beauty was taken by famous photographer, Jack Morton. (Not bad, either.)

Gen. Lindy Pennington orders troops to search parade grounds of Fort Consumptive for his pink and blue campaign ribbon.

Virginia Tribbey, contortionist and acrobatic queen, astound audience at Roosevelt Round Gardens by doing a rhythm dance while standing on her hands with her feet tied under her chin.

Richard White, distinguished painter, called to Washington, D. C., to paint a portrait of President Roosevelt. The picture will be named "After Half a Century at the White House."

Rita Terry gives her own Gettysburg Address before large mob at Joc's Place, Gettysburg, Pa. Incidentally, if you weren't present and desire a copy, look in the Gettysburg Telephone Directory.

Alice Whipple, New York designed of women's apparel, has produced something new! She has taken the old skirt and sweater style of the late 1940's and added six rows of red, white and blue buttons down the left side. This should be worn with a large polka dot sash or a lace mantilla. It is designed to be worn especially on inter-planet tours and afternoon helicopter cruises.

Film darling Lois Stilwell recently signed a contract with Nitro Golden Mayor to play opposite Joseph Fichter in "Innocent Girl." Her husband, Bob O'Brien, retired king of basketball, was nearby to inspect the part and the leading man.

Mary Lou Hindman, president of Drizzendale Academy for Young Girls, Unmarried Women and Old Maids, gave an address entitled "How I Happen to Know All There Is to Know About Everything."

Charlie Averill, manager of the Elite Escort Company (Let an Elite Escort escort you into Elite Company) is an important witness in the divorce suit of Don Miller vs. his wife Cherry in domestic relations court today. In his usual playful way Mr. Averill replied to Judge Thomas Elliott, "But, Judge, you know one beautiful blonde means nothing in my career."

Kenneth Britt, famed horticulturist, was found in a critical condition suffering from lapse of memory, collapsibility and convulsions of the nose, yesterday in his gardenia green house. "He has always had a strange fascination for the flower," said his wife, "but this time I'm afraid he has gone too far." A few cloves were found near him on the ground.

### Familiar Sayings

Bob Gershon-"How about a set of tennis?" Ican Suffill-"You little rascal" Keith Chader-"I'll see you" Julia Wilkinson-"I don't understand" Helen Dodds-"Use your head" Jean Wilkinson-"Let me tell you" Gloria Sackmann-"No foolin'" Norma Dehmer-"Are you with me?" Mr. Shearer-"Now get this" Miss Trotter-"Am I making myself clear?" Jean Fleck-"Quit showing off your personality" Rita Terry (on the subject of war stamps)-"What did you do for freedom today?" Joe Fichter-"He's a character" Jean Wiedenmann-"You're kidding" Betty Taff-"Let's have a little order, girls" Irwin Block-"I like you 'cause you're silly" Miss Eggleston-"All I want is a little consideration" Betty Rea (in gym)-"Get into your squads, girls" Jimmy Fray-"Chickaboo" Miss Cook-"Dumb bunny"

### Why Some Persons Come to School

Jean Suffill-It's as warm here as anywhere Dick Fristoe-Dad Keith Chader-To see Helen Margie Stauffer-Cheap food Jane Riche-Afraid I'll miss something if I don't Jack Miller-I don't if I don't feel like it Bob O'Brien-To keep an eye on Lois Frank Schroeder-To learn (believe it or not) Emma Schuler-To keep the Crier running smoothly Nora Russell-To shock the teachers Phyllis Mimran-To see who's not here Maurine Filson-To keep my grades as high as Merres Starbuck's.

### Familiar Snapshots

Edla Carlson playing tennis.

Gloria Sackmann hitting someone on the head with a book. Miss Hatch smiling.

Maurine Filson typing 70 words a minute.

- Marilyn McHenry holdin' hands with Ted Foote.
- Norma Dehamer singing "How Ya Gonna Keep 'Em Down on the Farm."
- Keith Chader saying, "I'll see ya."

M. Hammond snapping pictures.

- Whitey Cox making a touchdown.
- Jean and Julia Wilkinson sending a crowd into gales of laughter with some anecdote.

Bonney Perry singing and the audience swooning.

Don Butler doing his famous "hip-swing boogie" step.

Kenny Britt riding along in his "car (?)

- Richard Hunt and his multi-colored shoes-the result of hard work at the Tiger Den.
- Jimmy McClelland with a case of empty coke bottles and five or six female admirers.
- Everyone ready to leap out the door as soon as the seventh hour bell rings.

Those parties the PTA gave.

# Last Will and Testament of the Senior Class of 1944

Eileen Wright leaves with a group of boys following her (as usual).

Jim Fray leaves "the little brown jug" to Bob Waltner.

- Donna Faye Rapier leaves her scholarship average to any Junior who dares to equal it.
- Dottie Andrews leaves a pile of blank excuse cards to Doris Rollins.

Joan Devore leaves the bottled sunshine to Joan Grosse. Lois and Bob leave together (as usual).

Betty Golding leaves gum under all the desks.

Martha Rush and Jackie Dunlap leave their winning ways to Gladys Morgan.

Jean Suffill leaves her cartoonist's ability to Jimmy Abbott. Ed Davis leaves all his offices to George Reasor.

Irwin Block and Bob Gershon leave two slightly used tennis rackets to some aspiring "Don Budge."

Don Covert leaves his technique to Tim O'Leary.

Charlie Averill leaves his "stag" reputation to Bradley Sells. After a last minute check of credits Melba Nelson decided not to leave at all.

Jack Hoopes left in January but his pin will stay on till Cottie Crabtree decides to leave, too.

Mrs. Schuler leaves the PTA.

The faculty wish they could leave.

Jean Wiedmann leaves her lunch permit to Irene Ganzer. Barbara Butler leaves her red jacket to the highest bidder. The senior girls sadly leave the junior boys.

- Eddie McLeroy leaves all his boogie steps to Bill McCarter -as if Bill needed 'em.
- Nora Russell leaves her "African ivories" to Cherry Bynum.
- Sherry Holland leaves all her old debate notes and voice exercises to Barbara Owen.

Dick Fristoe finally leaves Nancy Steele.

- Richard White leaves a slightly used paint brush to Niles Dixon.
- Gail Goodrich leaves a fine personal rating card in the office.
- Jane Riche leaves her copies of "Madamoiselle," "Charm" and "Vogue" to Jean LaTurin. She also leaves Russell Borg!

Stuart Talcroft leaves a few enemies among the faculty and several cases of shock caused by some of his remarks.

Norma Dehmer leaves with old love letters signed Dick. They might come in handy some day.

Lindy Pennington leaves Donna Glaziew to the Sophomore boys.

- Johnny Wiedenmann is not sure when he's leaving but he would like to leave something to somebody if he had anything useful to leave, if anyone wanted what he had to leave.
- Betty Rea leaves her vitamin pills to Virginia -Church (Can that girl cover territory on the dance floor).

Jean Fleck and the other owner (who wishes to remain anonymous for reasons beyond her control) leave their two shares of the car to Donna Mueller.

Jeanne Whitney leaves Miss Bonney.

Miss Beck's art classes leave many things to brighten up the school and den and some left-over ideas for continuing the project.

# Hit Parade

"I'm Breathless"Betty Golding
"This Is a Lovely Way to Spend an Evening"
"Smoke Gets in My Eyes"Mr. Klee
"Gobs of Love for the Navy"
"Dancing in the Dark"Plaza Hall
"There's Gonna Be a Great Day"Graduation
"I Wanna Go Back to Where I Come From"Keith Chader
"We've Come a Long Way Together"
Norma Dehmer and Dick Sevier
"When Irish Eyes Are Smilin' " Margie Stauffer
"It Started All Over Again"
That romance between Melba Nelson and Jack Miller
"Dark Eyes"Some of the boys after the boxing matches
"Just as Though You (Kirby) Were Here"Pat Goudie
"There Are Such Things"
"Temptation" Those balmy spring days
"Cherry"Bynum
"A Sinner Kissed an Angel"Bob Gershon and Ginny McFarland
"Delta Serenade"Ed Davis and Joedan Saunders
"If I Had My Way"Miss Hanna
"What Is This Thing Called Love?"
Ask Marilyn McHenry and Ted Foote
"Born to Lose"to Bob Hileman
"Have I Stayed Away Too Long"Sam Hocker and Dave Young
"Two and Two Still Make Four (I think)"Miss Cook
"Long Ago"When we were Freshmen
"Something Sentimental"
The Pundit and Promethean Friendship Circles
"Crazy Rhythm" The New Swing Band
"Time on My Hands"Are You Kidding?
"Don't Be That Way"Borg to Jane Riche
"Drings Charming"
"Boogie Woogie"Eddie Milliken
"This Is Worth Fighting For"Diploma
"I'm Riding for a Fall"A senior with thirty-three credits
"My Shining Hour"Lunch Period
"The Things That Mean So Much to Me"
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# Predictions for Next Year

Miss Eggleston will have a nervous breakdown unless Bietling gives up his hobby of decorating her blackboards with cartoons.

Some senioritis victims will be back again next year (better put in early reservations; we expect an enrollment boom next year because of the Tiger Den.

Bette Bright and Lamarr Hazen still will be going together-off and on, anyway.

Pat Kelly and Francis Hahn will be wearing red jackets.

The junior boys will be lonesome for their girl friends who were graduated.

Ginny McFarland and Nancy Steele will sit around and talk about the "good old days" when they were going steady.

Guy May and Pat Delaney will be trying to enroll in the college that Marguerite Sherman decides to attend.

The typing department still will be playing those ancient records.

Barbara Owen still will be singing "Dark Eyes" by unanimous request.

Reed Murray will blossom out in a brighter pair of suspenders (if such are made).

P-nuts Mackey will attempt to give another party (the repairs from the last one should be completed by that time.)

Bob Lindholm will be out there "yellin' for the team."

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# Freshmen Start War Against Vandalism

The freshmen in Miss Cannon's civics class launched a campaign against vandalism last week when they unanimously approved the following pledge:

"We, the pupils in Miss Cannon's civics class, pledge ourselves to do all we can to protect public property. We will not disgrace our homes, Westport high school, nor our community by vandalism."

Miss Cannon feels that this project is worthy of the support of the entire student body, and she is certain that every Westporter will cooperate by accepting and endorsing this pledge. Although some progress has been made recently in the grade schools, Miss Cannon is convinced that the heart of the trouble lies in the high schools.

The class received the following letter from Dr. Hunt Friday in acknowledgement of a letter sent to him by the class informing him of their action: Dear Friends:

Your signatures attached to the statement which you as pupils of Miss Cannon's Westport High School Civics classes have expressed relative to the protection of public property are most encouraging. This is the first expres-sion of its kind that has been received and it is a matter of gratification to know that this important question has been discussed in your classes and that such action has been taken. For the School District as well as personally I congratulate you all most sincerely. It is my hope that similar re-actions may come from other of our pupils as a result of which community recognition will be given this problem. It is disgraceful indeed that acts of vandalism should mar the beauty of our city.

Doubless all of you are familiar with the Athenian Oath which was formerly taken by the young men of Athens upon reaching the age of seventeen. Because of its significance I am suggesting that you refer to it at this time. It is in keeping with the position which you have taken and upon which I commend you most sincerely.

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, superintendent of schools.

Albert P. Doerschuk, '40, at 17 was the highest ranking senior in the school of pharmacy, University of Pittsburgh, on his graduation last week. He completed the course in three years and won five of the six highest awards. Albert was one of the highest ranking students in his class in high school.

# **Ticket Offers Big Savings**

### Minute Man Flag Goal of War Stamp Campaign

War stamp sales were resumed in the homerooms today. The goal is the Minute Man flag awarded by the treasury department for 90 per cent participation in war stamp sales. This blue and white flag would be a proud

acquisition when flying below the "Stars and Stripes." The War Stamp Council under the direction of Miss Gales will conduct the campaign again this year. Home room representatives of the War Stamp Council will distribute the stamps. The handling of the stamps, bonds and money will be in charge of Miss Card and her second hour class.

Last year's record was something to be proud of. In the last two weeks of school more than 82 per cent of the students purchased stamps and thirty homerooms reported 100 per cent participation. The goal of \$20,000 for the second semester was exceeded and the total for the year was nearly \$30,000.

"Last year's record should be an in-centive to the student body," Miss Card, faculty chairman of the War Bonds Committee, said yesterday. "We start with a well organized sales force and the buying habit which a great majority of the student body learned last year."

The annual sale of activity tickets opened in the home rooms Monday. The price is \$3.50 plus tax, cash or time payments. A deposit of \$1 is required on installment purchases and weekly payments of 25 cents.

A ticket entitles the purchaser to a season football ticket, a season basketball ticket, reserved seat for fall and spring plays, The Crier and the Herald.

Westport will play six football games at Ruppert Stadium. The admission at the gate will be 55 cents. The cost of these games alone at this price would be \$3,30.

As in previous years the basketball games will be played in the Municipal Auditorium and the admission price per game probably will be 55 cents. The Crier and the Herald if pur-

chased separately would cost \$2.90.

Without an activity ticket all of the items would total more than \$10. The ticket, therefore, permits a student to share in everything on the list at a saving of \$6.50.

Westport students and alumni won five titles in the Public Courts Tennis tournament during the summer. Bill Ege and Bill Miller, alumni, joined to take the junior boys doubles. Irwin Block and Edla Carlson, seniors, won the junior mixed doubles. Edla also won two other trophies-girls singles and junior girls singles.

### Hi-Y President Buys Activity Ticket



Left to right: Edla Carlson, Bob Gershon, Dick Fristoe, Jean Suffil, Margaret Walrod, Chester Bennett.

### Learning is Not Rationed in Kansas City

Learning is not rationed in Kansas City.

The available supply of many necessities is severely curtailed as a result of war time restrictions but the public schools are operating with adequate teaching staffs and all of the essential facilities. Changes in the 1931 school law have increased Kansas City's apportionment of state funds, thus providing revenue for a full 40-weeks school term.

There will be no let down in education in Kansas City if the pupils are willing to take advantage of the opportunities that are open to them. In these critical times moral strength is a vital factor in the winning of the war. Every shirker, every truant, every pupil who is content with slipshod preparation and poor performance in the classroom is a defeatist and a real public enemy.

As long as the fighting continues the boys now in high school can look forward to only a year or two in college before their induction into the army. The education of many will end when they quit high school and the priceless chance to stimulate their minds and broaden their knowledge will be lost forever if they fail to make the most of it now.

Learning is not rationed in Kansas City; it is your's if you are willing to work for it.

### Tighten Your Belt and Loosen Your Wallet

September starts the nation's third great war loan drive. Uncle Sam wants fifteen billion dollars for guns, tanks, planes, bullets and bombs.

This year more pupils are working than ever before. With parents making more, almost everyone has more spending money, so when our stamp sales come each week everyone should tighten the noose about the neck of the Axis by loosening up his pocketbook. Loosen your wallet even if you have to tighten your belt. War is our present job; freedom our pay.

# It Sez Here

The long-awaited school year has officially opened. Our annual, "first-day" ceremonies, (jammed statirways and mile long lunch check lines), have come and passed (we hope). Those multitudes of bewildered Freshies have been tripped over in the usual "proud Westport" manner.

After this first hectic week of school we began to notice that a few of the prominent members of last year's junior class were not around. Gladys (Happy) Miller is adding beauty to Paseo's halls this year, Stan Runkel moved to Texas, and Genevieve Zarr is going to Southwest. (We miss these dear friends but it sure makes more room in the lockers!)

"Flash"-we just received the explanation of "the senior girls groans." It's gym! Many of these li'l lillies are enrolled in physical ed. for the first time since they were freshmen. Don't worry, girls; you'll get so used to it in a few weeks you'll even be able to walk without a limp!

Donna Mueller's "Florida tan" is bringing out the "green-eyed monster" in many of our gals. It's really neat! - - - Speaking of tans, Helen Dodds spent most of her summer at the tennis courts in hopes of getting a tan so we've heard (yeah, tan!).

"Old Ironsides" Carlson is still dashin' around collecting some of those

trophies she won in the tennis tournament. Well, little ones, you better have all the "late-dates" you want, but quick. "Remember the 11 o'clock curfew."

We're sure everyone has heard of the skinless hot dog but the latest thing that seems to be on the market is the meatless hot dog. Arline Blackwood bought a hot dog the other day which consisted of skin (what a tasty morsel).

The keys on Millicent Sheets' typewriter seem to be all mixed up. At any rate here's the result of a typing test she had the other day, "Thet paddled ptoudly, dived, amd picked af fhe bugson the wazzy oesves in the warer.' They'll just have to fix those keys, Millicent.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER



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#### DAFFYNITIONS

- Blotter-something you look for while the ink dries.
- Bore-a guy who never tries to make a long story short.
- Boy-a noise with dirt on it-a pain in the neck when he is around; a pain in the heart when he isn't.

Burlesque-a take-off.

- Business executive-wife of the American working man.
- Chiropractor-one who kneads patients.
- Chivalry-the attitude of a man toward a strange woman.
- City-millions of people being lonesome together.

Cliff-a pushover.

Clue-what detectives boast about when they can't find the criminal. Coach-fellow who will gladly lay

- down your life for the school. College boy-person so generous he'd give his roommate's last shirt off
- his back or his father's last nickel. Committee-a body that keeps min-
- utes and wastes hours. Communist-a person who has given
- up hope of becoming a capitalist. Compliment-the naked truth arrayed
- in full dress.
- -like perfume-to be inhaled, not swallowed.
- Conceit-a form of I-strain.
- Conscience-the still small voice that warns us someone is looking.
- Conservative-a man who is too cowardly to fight and too fat to run.

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For several weeks last summer several Pundit girls helped at the Border Star school with the processing of war ration book 3. They were Gloria Sackman, Norma Kindsvater, Josephine Miller, Edla Carlson, Jean Suffill, Martha Rush, Josephine Kennedy, Margie Stauffer and Norma Dehmer. Although the work was rather hard, all of the girls agreed that it was interesting.

The literary societies will have their first meeting Friday, October 1, when new members will be voted on. Pundit will meet in room 314, Clay in 206, Irvings in 117 and Promethean in 317.

# Superintendent Sends New Year Greetings

To My High School Friends:

A Happy New Year! No, I haven't torn too many pages from my calendar nor has a typical Kansas City summer proved mentally upsetting. I repeat, a Happy New Year, a new school year that you are entering upon. And 1 do hope that it may prove to be a happy one.

Do you seek the fulfillment of this sincere wish? Its realization rests entirely with you. I speak as a friend and I want you to so regard me as we visit period:cally throughout the school year through the kindness of The Crier.

Yes, your happiness throughout the new school year will depend upon you, your approach to your new responsipilities, the decisions you make, your determination to succeed. It is axiomatic that "life is what we make it." So is your high school career. Would you have a happy school year, a successful one? Make that, then, your objective. Cultivate the idea assiduously. Determine that it will be. Remember:

"The Lord gives us two ends to use, One to think with, one to sit with. Success depends on which we use, Heads we win, tails we lose."

While the working out of any happiness, success formula rests with the individual, there are certain basic components that are applicable to the situation about which you and I are talking. Regularity in school attendance, close attention to daily assignments, consistent mastery of your lessons, an intelligent interest and participation in school affairs, friendship with your fellow pupils and teachers and a determination to do your best each day in every way will carry you far. This listing, however, is merely suggestive and doubtless you'll soon have other ideas and practices that will help you.

I urge you to give every attention to the working out of this ideal attainable on the part of every high school student. So once again I say, "A Happy New Year! May the 1943-44 school year be an outstanding one for you all."

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, superintendent of schools.

#### **Reserves Hold Conference**

One hundred thirty-five representatives from the cabinets of all Girl Reserve groups in greater Kansas City met for their annual all-day confer-ence at Camp Washita Sunday, September 12. Plans for the coming year were discussed by each department under the heading "Democracy in Action." The evening worship service was led by the Rev. Edwin R. Hartz of the Linwood Methodist church, Delegates from Westport were Rose Marie Purdom, Phoebe Matchett, Ruth O'Bester, Shirley Elliott, Nancy Barnes, Donna Faye Rapier, Mary Louise Lundberg, Laura Williams, Dolores Roller, and Marilyn Hazzard.

# Under the Clock

Dick "Mr. Five by Five" Albrite is said to have lost 30 pounds, but Dick's statement for the press verifies the loss of only seven.

It's not only a struggle to get a lunch check and food, but with Dick Fristoe and Stuart Talcroft around, you must fight to keep them from confiscating both.

When Miss Bechtel gets that "vicious gleam" in her eye, it only means that she is trying to remember the name of one of her pupils.

A battle seems to be raging among several members of the faculty over the possesion of Miss Shelley's desk in room 317.

Marjorie Miller is back again. The way she skips from Southwest to Westport and vice-versa makes her hard to keep track of.

A patriotic man is Harling Spring, music teacher. He rides a bicycle to school to conserve gas and tires.

Who said there was a man shortage? Mr. Miner's first hour physics class has four girls and twenty-four boys.

But on the other hand, dear reader. the newswriting class has three boys and twenty-two girls.

For the benefit of the bewildered Latin students, the slogan on Miss Eggleston's front board is the motto of Westport, "To be rather than to seem to be."

The man-power shortage at Westport really is serious, or so it seems. With a total of eight boys in all of her classes Nadine Barger is demanding "Where are the men?"

The cold weather the first few days of school served as an excellent excuse for all the gals to don their new sloppy joes and plaid skirts.

For those of the student body who are musically inclined, we have a piano teacher in our midst. Eunice Nicoll already has two pupils and is thinking of getting more.

This week's nomination for odd man in the eternal triangle is Guy May.

Someone should tell Gloria Sackman that a solid geometry book is not one full of "solid figures."

Jane Riche says the freshmen arouse her motherly instincts.

Do not be surprised if you hear that song "Put That Pistol Down" coming from Mr. Steeper's room. Only it probably will be sung as "Put That Shotgun Down." We understand that Mr. Steeper calls a surprise test a shot-gun quiz.

Oh, my! what's happened? Girls in the human science classes.

Westport girls made the Kansas City Star the first day of school, Twenty-three feet of glamour on the school wall.

Twenty-three feet of glamour On the school wall.

How many feet of learning In the school hall?

There were exclamations of oh! and ah! from many of the girls taking math, aeronautics, and physics when they discovered there were only three or four girls and a large number of boys in their classes. None can quite compare, though, with Norma Kelley when she found herself the only girl in her drafting class.

Miss Shelley has a unique method of keeping her classes awake. She has a large hammer handy on her desk-just in case!

After trudging wearily to school with an arm load of books, gym clothes, etc., Nancy Barnes had to call home to find out her locker combination!

Barbara Young has a novel way of punctuating sentences in shorthand. At the end of a question, she puts a period after the question mark. One of them is bound to be right!

When asked what Robin Hood and his followers lived on, Stuart Talcroft immediately replied deer-or did he say beer?

Mrs| F: "Do you play with good little boys, Joe?" Joe F: "No, mama!" Mrs. F: "Why, Joe, why not?"

Joe F: "Their mothers won't let me!"

# Keerrchoo! Hay Fever

Keerrchoo-all heads, as if manipulated by pull strings, look to the back of the class and the sight that meets their eyes is indeed a sad one. The victim's face is iluminated by a large red splotch in the middle of his countenance. By now the face is hidden by a rather large handkerchief and for the next few minutes the student busies himself blowing his nose practically off and mopping his tearful eyes.

Ah, poor hayfever sufferers! It must be terrible to walk down the hall and have someone ask you if something is wrong, for undoubtedly they suspect you have been crying your eyes out about the sudden loss of a dear friend or the cook's going to work in a defense plant.

But alas, a nasty little old weed has made many persons' lives decidedly unhappy until Jack Frost comes to kill the weed.

Nancy Barnes has begun work as student secretary for Mr. Shearer.

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# P.T.A. to Sponsor Big New Counselor Community Meeting

The Westport P.T.A. will sponsor an out door Community Meeting in Gillham Park, Tuesday evening, Sep-tember 28, at 7 o'clock. Mayor Gage, L. P. Cookingham, city manager; Dr. Herold C. Hunt, superintendent of schools; Dr. Hayes Richardson, direc-tor of Welfare; Mr. Dimitry of the War Production Board and Mr. Holloway will be guest speakers. Mr. Les Warren of the city's recrea-

tion department will have charge of the entertainment and will lead the community singing. The program will be outstanding, but not long drawn out and every pupil of Westport is urged to attend and bring their parents.

Invitations have been sent to all the churches and feeder schools in this community and the P.T.A. is looking forward to a big crowd. "Westport's Parent-Teacher Asso-

ciation, like all other groups in this war-torn age, will have a full and interesting program this year," reports Mrs. C. R. L. Schuler, the new president.

Programs will be built around the theme, "Community Life In A Democ-racy." Teachers and pupils will appear in demonstration programs.

Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of each month. Nutrition, home nursing and accident prevention classes will be conducted under the direction of the Red Cross.

The Westport P.-T. A. will work hand in hand with the city officials in an effort to build up a community spirit that will promote a good neighbor policy.

#### KING OUTLINES COURSE FOR TWO CLASSES IN "CAREERS"

Mr. King's two classes in "Careers" have started with a unit in "The Work World."

The purpose of this course, as outlined by Mr. King, is to acquaint stu-dents with the major classifications of occupations; to make a detailed study of different vocations through a series of twenty films to be presented. and through contacts with professional people; to acquaint each student with his own abilities through tests for the purpose of giving him a complete pic-ture of his aptitude for some vocation; to direct each student in the development of his personality; to learn how to be at ease with business people in a business transaction; so far as possible to give an opportunity for the student to observe people actually working at the occupation he is studying, and to have students become acquainted with employment procedures, and work regulations.

This course formerly was called "Vocations Careers."

Bob Lowary, best actor and punner of the class of '43, was a visitor the first day of school. He is an apprentice seaman in the navy.



Miss Louise Hatch

Miss Louise Hatch, the new counselor, comes from East high where she held a similar position for eleven years. Her record also includes a period of service as dean of a junior high school in Sioux City, Ia., and Girl Reserve work in Omaha. She spends her summers as program director in a Y.W.C.A. camp in Washington, D.C.

Miss Hatch obtained her master's degree at Columbia University.

"My main aim is to help boys and girls prepare now for the time when the world is again at peace," she said last Friday. "We have to think war but we want to be ready to take our place when peace does come."

#### Shortages, Rationing, Lack of Help Boost Cafeteria Prices

Shortages, rationing, and lack of help in the cafeteria are the reasons for the increase in prices noted by the student body this year. Points are needed not only for meat, but also for vegetables and fruits. Every day brings more difficulties to the staff trying to cope with increasing shortages.

The help situation is getting worse by the hour. Hard to find, help also asks more money than before, consequently the cafeteria prices had to be raised. Miss Crosswhite asks that all students cooperate by buying 3-cent as well as 5-cent checks to avoid embarrassment over making change.

She also asks that the students remember the good work the cafeteria has done in previous years and ex-presses the hope that everyone will help her staff for the duration.

Eddie McLeroy witnessed a brain operation performed by Dr. De Franciss when he was in New York during the summer. His mother is a phys-ician at the Rockefeller Medical Institute.

### Vacation Tales

Half the pleasure of a summer's vacation is the joy of telling one's friends about his experiences. This is a brief account of how some of the Westport students spent the summer.

First of all, where is a better place to spend a vacation than in good old K.C.? Mr. Means was manager of the Pla-Mor Swimming pool and his assistants were Dot Hubbard, Elizabeth Schalue, Gail Goodrich, Virginia North, Bob Zucco, Dean Melton, Mary Lou Standish, Bob Sturgeon and Russel Sublette.

Gail Goodrich visited friends in Washington, D.C., and amidst the con-fusion of a capital at war, had a wonderful time.

Jean Fleck, Gladys Morgan, Mar-guerite Sherman, Jane Riche and Sherry Bynum sent out advertisements for the Aunt Martha free offer, something to the effect of getting three lovely patterns if one subscribes to a certain magazine.

Betty Rea and Jean Wiedeman were

counselors at a nearby girls' camp. Bob O'Brien and Bill Fagan spent their time watching Edla win her trophies on the tennis courts and had a good time with Westporters assembled there.

Donna Mueller enjoyed a southern vacation in Sarasota, Fla.

Emma Schuler had a grand time out in Los Angeles.

Ted Witt and Bill Fink motored 400 miles to Branson, Mo., and to the Ozarks in Ted's model A vehicle. They sped right along on their four bad tires, sometimes making as much as 15 miles an hour.

It's surprising how many boys whiled away the summer in camp-an army camp.

#### Victory Garden Products Canned in Foods Classes

The spicy aroma floating down from the foods laboratory was from chili sauce being prepared by Miss James' foods class. Druscilla McCollum. Clara Marie Ruff, and Betty Lu Walrod, who have been working hard in their victory gardens this summer, decided to bring some of their produce to make and can chili sauce.

Like the pioneer women of old, all the girls pitched in with eager and helpful hands. This was one time when "too many hands didn't spoil the broth." Miss James, who was not to be outdone by all this, brought her own vegetables too.

As there is a shortage of jams and jellies on the market some girls brought prepared grape juice which was soon turned into grape jelly to be used this winter. Vera Page, seventh hour, thought she should take advantage of all the able and willing help, so she brought her peaches to can.

Majoring in languages at J. C. is Harold Bernhardt, '43. German and French are absorbed at school while Russian is studied by way of phonograph.

# College List Reduced in Second Year of War

In this, our second year of war, college enrollment has dropped off somewhat. Most of Westport's boy graduates are now in the armed forces. Those now attending college expect to be able to study a semester, or at most, a year.

The following graduates applied for transcripts to be sent to Junior College last spring:

Harold Bernhardt, Patsy Bagby, Olive Brinkman, Betty Bucher, Helen Bockman, Julia Doerschuk, Carl Enquist, Jerry Exter, Marian Fahey, Harold Fogel.

Bobby Gibbs, Bill Gepford, Robert Symer, Susan Huncilman, James Hopkins, Mary Jolliff, Petrene Ann Lauritson, Lawrence Larson.

Carl Scott Nebbit, Robert Nesmith, Bill Neubert, Bobby Lou Ready, Patricia Swanson, Philip Slaughter, Bryce Turville, Crawford Williams, Harry Wright, David Wagner.

Terry Anderson, Dorothy Byrne, Donna Roseburrough, Sam Sakoulas, Dale Ashley, Blanche Bottom, Jim Burdett, Dorsey Cater, Dale Carlson, Wallace Carrol.

Jean Cochran, Evelyn Cahill, Donald Caruthers, Francesca Campbell, Max Casler, Lynne Cowles, Bernice Carlson, Mary Francis Campbell, Corinne Hoffman, Mary Ella Hanlon, Helen Virginia Heinberg.

Betty Kiser, Hubert Kelley, Ralph Kennedy, Claude McGinnis, Bill Myers, Maurice McDaniel, Marcia Newton, Marian Polk, Walter Roesner, James Renken, Nelson Skomal.

Robert Stair, Mary Spinoza, T. P. Benton, John Tengdin, Louis Uht, Everett Woods and Fay Weinstein.

University of Missouri, Shirley Dulaney, Pat Gordon, Ted Liebetrau, Bill Potter, Maxine Frerking, Virginia Johnston and Patricia McGuire.

University of Kansas, Betty Weymouth McClelland, Robert Swanson, Pat Coolidge, James Mueller and David Stimpson.

University of Kansas City, Betty Funk, Loretta Kemp, Robert Miner, Patsy Pitt, Esther Lenz, Nadine Lange, Marilyn Erbes, Kenneth Shover and Jeannette Norris.

Washington university, Norman Bollis, Pat Bailey, Dick Eckaus.

Enrolled in other colleges and universities are Charlotte Bobrecker, University of Michigan; Marjorie Timanus, William Woods; Phyllis Wahle, Radcliffe College; Ann Chase, Webster College; Frank Brickneel, Jefferson Medical College; Mary Field, Southwestern College; Ellis Gibson, Tulsa University; Catherine Groves, University of Kansas Hospital; Leonard Hill, Antioch; Anna Marie Hinkley, Mary Ann Peake, Joseph Laughlin, Park; Shirley Kester, Iowa State; John Kirkpatrick, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Ivan Larson, La Grange College; Gene Courtney, William Jewell.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

# Up and Down the Corridors

Several of Miss Cannon's classes have been so arranged that she has the same pupils in her English class as in her civics class. By combining the two classes, Miss Cannon hopes to use English as a background for the study of civics. This experiment also is being conducted in several other freshman classes.

F. N. Banister, drafting teacher, was engaged in instructing teachers in military mathematics at the University of Colorado during the summer. The purpose of this course is to train instructors to teach students, previous to their induction into the armed forces.

Hedrick Peer, '42, visited his former teachers during his furlough. He is stationed at Tucson, Ariz., guarding Italian and Japanese prisoners of war.

Virginia Windsor, '42, is attending Junior college after fifteen months of work at Hall's. She won the distinguished service award for art in her senior year.

Peggy Short, Mr. Chubb's student secretary, is mimeographing the study questions for all human science classes. With the assistance of the office training class, she is writing off 550 copies.

Miss Fairweather, school librarian, has been giving the pupils in Miss Brubaker's, Miss Cannon's, Miss Gales' and Mr. Means' classes orientation lessons to acquaint them with the school, especially the library.

Girls in Miss Durboraw's first-year clothing classes are working on a project that represents real service, making garments to be given to younger children who need them.

Genevieve Jones, '42, niece of the girls instructor of physical education, has been working at the Lake City war plant as an engineer and will start work this week for Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Corporation. Her training was obtained here at Westport.

Edith Luce, '38, now employed by the Commonwealth Aircraft Incorporated, has been making gliders for several months now and likes the work. She recently worked on the glider now on exhibition at Washington Square.

Specimens of high school art that recently won honorable mention in a Scholastic art contest are on exhibition in room 312. They were made by Julia Parkins and Richard White.

Barbara Mastin, Baker University; Jane Ann Nunn, Monticello; Harry D. Rice, Harvard; Bob Taylor, Westminster; Ray Thayer, University of Wisconsin, and Mary Whitnell, Lindenwood.

Several of Miss Cannon's classes Hobart Michael, '42, second class have been so arranged that she hassesseaman in the navy, visited the school the same pupils in her English class as September 13, after completing his in her civics class. By combining the boot training at Farragut, Ida.

> Dick Bugler and Frank Wilkinson, '43, are stationed at Park College.

> Minaruth McWhirter was a visitor during her fall vacation. She has just finished a full year of college work at Washington University where she made all A's in her first college year.

> Sheldon Hatch, nephew of our new counselor, has been reported lost while on convoy patrol duty in Bermuda.

> Winifred Morgan, a junior, who was out of school for the last six months of last year because of scarlet fever, is back now and "doing nicely, thank you."

> Mr. Miner announces that a device to demonstrate the wind drift of an airplane is being added to the equipment in the physics laboratory. The instrument is to be used by both the aeronautics and physics classes. The parts are being made in the woodshop under the direction of Mr. Sloan. It will be assembled by Mr. Miner, Mr. Banister and Eddie Cantwell. The device is quite elaborate and will be a real asset to the physics and aeronautics departments.

> C. O. Brown, engineer-custodian, is recuperating from a gall bladder operation in Lakeside hospital. Last spring he had an appendix operation.

> Gladys Miller, president of last year's junior class, is attending Paseo.

> Miss Bonney again is the director of photography for the Crier and Herald. She and her photo-gremlins now are entangled in yards and yards of red tape trying to get film from the War Production Board. Assisting this year in taking pictures and in darkroom work are Eddie Cantwell and Orrell Moorman.

> Dell Dorflinger and George Compton were married shortly after graduation last June.

> Ann Chase was at school Friday the 10th saying good-bye to teachers and students.

#### "Do the Job Here," Marine Advises

Pvt. Raymond Wilson, a Marine, was an interesting speaker in Miss Eggleston's fifth hour Latin class recently. Wilson entered the Marines in March, 1942, when he was 17 years old and has seen action on Guadalcanal and has been stationed in New Zealand and Australia. He was in the first division to land on Guadalcanal where he manned a machine gun. He said the worst part about fighting the enemy was having to kill Japanese women. When asked what he thought was the duty of pupils in school now, he said, "Stay on and do the job!"

# Shearer Co-Author of Physiography Text

A new text book is being used by the physiography classes. The title is "The Earth and its Resources" and the authors are Dr. Finch and Dr. Trewartha, professors in the University of Wisconsin, and Mr. Shearer of our own faculty. Mr. Shearer received his master's degree at the University of Wisconsin where he became acquainted with Professors Finch and Trewartha. Beginning about 1935 the three men worked off and on for about five years on this high school text. Because of recent advances in meteorology, certain chapters in the book were revised during the past summer, which accounts for the delay in the shipment of books to Kansas City.

A fourth author, Mr. Caudle, graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, conceived the idea of using the chapters on meteorology and climate in a separate book entitled "Elementary Meteorology" which is being used by certain branches of the armed forces. Mr. Shearer, however, is sole author of the laboratory manual that accompanies "The Earth and its Resources."

#### Grad Holds Important TWA Job

Lt. George Klenk, '35, visited here Wednesday, September 8. Lieutenant Klenk is with T.W.A. in Washington, D.C., where he has charge of fortyfive men, all of whom are aircraft instrument technicians. These men are responsible for the servicing of all instruments in many four-motored and two-motored planes that fly from North America to other continents. To check the accuracy of these instrument Klenk often goes up to a height of 15,000 to 20,000 feet several times in a single day. While in Westport he distinguished himself by building an electrical recorder for wind velocity and rainfall, which may be seen in the physiography laboratory, room 309. He is married and has a daughter 2 years old.

#### Learn Care of Basic Shop Tools

Mr. Wheeler, metal shop teacher, has been teaching his beginning classes the care and use of such basic shop tools as files, hack saws, tinner's shears and punches. To his advanced classes he is teaching the use of the drills, reamers, taps, dies and threading information. During the summer Mr. Wheeler was employed in a war plant where precision measuring is a vital feature of a worker's technique. Recently he gave his advanced class a "tough workout" on this phase of their training. Various articles for service men's use will be produced in the shops as soon as the boys become familiar with their tasks.

Max Maloney, '40, talented acrobatic and ballroom dancer, has a position in a movie studio in California. Miss Youngs, English teacher, says Max was the most cooperative and artistic pupil she ever had.

# On The Firing Line

Sergeant Metz promises a more interesting and thorough R.O.T.C. course as a result of various changes in methods of instruction inaugurated this year. He also expects to have more efficient staff and non-commissioned officers because of the good material and a new method of selection.

This method consists of a number of extensive practical and theoretical examinations. Military bearing, leadership and other characteristics essential for a good officer also will count in recommending cadets to Colonei Bondy, P. M. S. and T., as candidates for promotion.

Sergeant Metz assisted in the training of college R.O.T.C. graduates in Pre-Officers Training School during the summer. He also spent a short time at Fort Riley in Co. B which was commanded by Capt. Wallace J. Little, assistant P. M. S. and T. in Kansas City.

R.O.T.C. officers will be sporting a new uniform, consisting of officers' pink trousers, brown Sam Brownes, dark O.D. overseas caps, and the regular R.O.T.C. issue coats and shirts. The officers also will be equipped with sabers as in the past.

The R.O.T.C. has a slightly different organization than in the past, since there are only three companies instead of the usual four. But there will still be one major, to be appointed after the Christmas holidays, and three company commanders, one battalion adjutant, and one plans-andtraining officer, all holding the rank of captain.

There also will be the usual platoon leaders and cadets second in command of platoons, who will be first and second lieutenants. Sergeant Metz will be assisted this year by two officers from last year, who are taking postgraduate courses, Capt. Herschell Perrine and Lt. Bill Kirshner.

The enrollment this year dropped slightly, from 255 to 240, but the prospects for the battalion are exceptionally good.

#### **Faculty Changes**

Six members of last year's faculty have been transferred to other Kansas City high schools and Miss Wheeland is on leave of absence in California where she is engaged in personnel work. Miss Secrest, Miss McGinnis and Miss Mogensen are at Paseo, Mr. Cooke and Miss Dingee at Southeast and Miss Wade at East high.

Four Junior College instructors have classes here. They are Mr. Steeper, American history; Mr. Smith, physical education; Miss Huff, domestic art; Mr. Marshall, science and study hall.

New teachers are Mr. Irwin, retailing; Mr. Priefert, shop and drafting; Miss Yount, physical education for girls; Miss Brubaker, English and civics; Miss Moulton, clothing.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASSES START DEBATE PRACTICE

The public speaking classes soon will start work on the national debate topic. The question is, "Resolved: That the United States Should Join in Reconstructing the League of Nations."

These will be a series of interclass debates, in which each public speaking student will participate. From this group, two-man teams will be picked to debate with Central, Rockhurst and Wyandotte high.

With Southwest, Manual and Paseo, there will be a series of semi-debates in which four persons will participate. The series will be concluded by the end of the first semester.

"I intend to have a number of assembly reporters this year instead of the two of previous years," Miss Tot-ten announced last week. "Nearly everyone in my advanced shorthand class will be seated at the reporters' desk."



In the expensive business of fighting a war, a dime's worth of oxygen may seem like an inconsequential item, yet that much oxygen is enough to keep a bomber pilot alive for 40 minutes in the high altitudes reached by today's war planes. When operating at such extreme ranges, the lives of the pilot and his crew, as well as the safety of his plane, depend upon the unfailing supply of this precious gas which makes up for the deficiency of oxygen in rarefied air.



Your purchase of War Savings Stamps may not add up to the hundreds of thousands of dollars needed to buy one of those high-flying bombers, but every time you invest in a 10-cent Stamp, you are providing money for the oxygen without which our great air fleets would be practically useless. Your Schools at War program will help show you the importance of buying War Stamps regularly.

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# Eighty-Six in Senior and Junior Band

The summer vacation over, Westport musicians are oiling sticky valves and soaking dry reeds in preparation for the school year.

The sixty-four members of the band furnish music at the football and basketball games, providing a morale booster for students and players alike.

Although a large proportion of last year's band was graduated, Mr. Keenan feels that an even better band will be developed this year because of the number of fine players enrolling from the junior band.

The junior band in its second year at Westport senior, has an enrollment of twenty-two members.

Charles Gale, a graduate of the jun-ior group, will be the specialty baton twirler aiding Margaret Walrod and Barbara Herber, experienced major-ettes, and Glenn Todd, the new signal major. These four will furnish entertainment at the games and also lead the band in snappy drills.

The complete membership is as follows:

lows: Baritone, Bob Ferber, Boh Gillespie, Bob Kelly, J. W. McHenry. Bass, Vernon Bottenfield, Dickie Johnston, Howard Vermillion, Robert Zucco. Bassoon, Carl Erickson. Clarinet, Don Ashmore, George Cezar, Dick Chapman, Margaret Liddle, Earl Moon, Bettie Jean McCollum, Dan Moore, Harry Moore, Charles Mullis, Robert Newman, Prentiss Rhodes, Barbara Sevier, Donald Wilson, Ted Witt. Witt.

Bass Clarinet, Betty Jean Bailey. Cornet, Irwin Block, Raymond Casebolt, Ross, Bradley Sells, Reuben Silverman, Bob Thomas.

Thomas. Drum, Betty Grotzinger, Vivian Johnson, Helen Shepard, Betty Yates. Drum Major, Charles Gale, Glenn Todd. Drum Majorette, Barbara Herber, Margaret

Walrod.

Walrod. Flute., Beverly Frank, Lucretia Johnston. French horn, Frank Franano, Edwin New-comb, Tom Robinett, James Snedeker. Oboe, Allan Bennett, Joyce Murrell. Saxophone, Gene Brock, Betty Hooker, Bryon Riggs, Allen Schiff, Ben Schuster, Jack Yates. Trombone, Robert Landes, Jim Newcomb, Glenn Todd Glenn Todd.

The thirty-two piece orchestra will play for assemblies and on any other occasion which they may be called for. Mr. Keenan also directs the orchestra.

The members:

The members: Richard Asher, June Baltis, Jacqueline Baltis, Mary Lou Brown, James Burns, Eleanor Carleton, Dorothy Cortelyou, Dick Chapman. Milton Dowell, Paul Gaecketer. Raymond Gocham, John De Haven, Mary Lou Hindman, Stanley Hoffman, Ernie Kimper, Frank Lloyd, Roy Mabe, Jerome Mandl, Frances Nekuda, Eunice Nicoll. Sherman Olson, Ruth Rueckert, Fred Titus, John Turley, Barbara Waltner, Beverly Walt-ner, Vivian Weeks, Donald Wilson, Doris Wil-son, Lois Wilson, Gertrude Woelfle, Patty Ann Young. Ann Young.

Mr. Spring, director of the vocal music department, has announced that he hopes to organize a boys glee club with a membership of seventy-five or 100. Boys who are not in a music class now and are interested in this project should see Mr. Spring in room 314.

# Watching Football Practice



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Scouts Aid in Bond Drive

Carfare and lunch and a school day off! These were the rewards for the boy scouts who were messengers for the War Finance Department from September 9 to September 24. Those from Westport who participated were Roy Allen, Bob Bevan, Norman Brown, Dick Chapman, Gene Cozad, John Cochran, Bob Chaffee, Don Graves, Howard Grolmes, Bob Hammontree, George Hutchison, Gary Johnson, Edward Johnson, Jack Long, Jerry Mc-Whirter, Lester Marzoff, Bill Mc-Mahon, Bob Montgomery, Robert Newman, Sherman Olson, Lloyd Olson, Tom Pendleton, Bill Perry, Bob Riley, Jack Sevier, Harry Van Trees, Jack Vinson and Roy Woods.

Mr. King: "We are going to start the debate until early this year."

Helen Dodds: "That doesn't scare me!"

Mr. King: "Each person will participate in at least one debate."

Helen Dodds: "That scares me."

# Among the Servicemen

Robert E. Brown, '42, is in Merchant Marine training at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Frederick George Humphrey is a lieutenant in the infantry. Richard Perutelle, '41, is a fireman,

second class.

Richard G. Davis, '42, and John Tangalos are with the 422nd Infantry at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

Joseph Patrick Kimmey, '43, is at Ft. Leavenworth.

Chris Tsougas, '41, is a corporal in the Army Air Corps. Clarence Harold Sapp is stationed

at Camp Beal, Cal.

Don M. Coates, '43, and Richard B. Sneel, '42, are in the Maritime Service.

Ralph Hirschmann, '39, and Robert Walker are with the Seventh Service Command.

William H. Brown, '39, is stationed

at Camp Kohler, Cal. Robert Swanson, '40, is in the Uni-versity of Kansas Navy program.

Burton R. Payne, '38, is at Ft. Winfield Scott, Cal. Frank L. Wilkinson, Richard Bugler,

and Richard Sejnost are with the navy at Park college.

P. F. C. Gibson Hart, '40, who was inducted during the summer, is training at Ohio State University.

Bill Ege, '42, after winning the junior boys doubles tournament, has entered the army. Bill teamed with Bill Miller, '42, in winning this coveted title for the fourth straight year.

The Stage and Screen club will meet today to elect officers and organize.

Ensign Sanford P. Thompson, '39, was killed in a plane crash near Waco, Tex., last Thursday. He was a naval aviation instructor.

Hocky Managers

# Tigers Start Season With Two Lettermen

With only two returning lettermen the Westport Tigers open the 1943 football season Friday night in a nonleague game with Rosedale. Nick Carras, a halfback, and Bob Higgins, quarterback, the two lettermen, will act as co-captains for this season. Who will play the remaining positions remains a mystery to Coach G. V. Bourrette and the sixty-two boy aspirants alike. It is possible that this mystery will remain unsolved until the day of the game.

The first game will be played on the Rosedale field, under the lights. This game will give the Tigers much needed experience for four of the six league games will be played at night at Ruppert Stadium. The home of the Kansas City Blues baseball team will be the scene of games on Friday and Saturday nights and Saturday afternoons.

The large seating capacity will afford adult football lovers a chance to see good football with the best facilities for spectators. Increased attendance will bring more money to the schools which means more and better equipment for the team.

The single admission price this year will be 50 cents, a slight increase over other years. Activity ticket holders will be admitted free.

Coach Bourrette and his aides, Mr. Chubb and Mr. Sloan, promise that this year as always sportsmanship will prevail at all the games, win, lose, or draw, and that the Tigers will be a hustling and hard fighting team.

The teams most highly regarded this year are Central and Northeast because of the large number of returning lettermen. Northeast, with nine lettermen, does not play the Tigers until November 12, the last league game. This gives the green Tiger team a chance to gain experience and a chance to score an upset.

The hardest position on the team has been given to Bob Webb, student manager. Bob must see that all equipment is in good shape and also serve as valet to the players.

The season's schedule:

Sept. 24 at Rosedale (night)

Oct. 2 Southwest (night)

Oct. 8 East (night)

Oct. 16 Paseo

Oct. 22 Central (night)

Oct. 30 Southwest (night)

Nov. 5 at Wyandotte (night)

Nov. 12 Northeast.

Several hundred articles for the U.S.O. centers and the servicemen's hospital will be produced in the wood shop. The boys already have started work on 100 diet and card holders, fifty Chinese checker boards and fifty bedside tables. The project is sponsored by the Junior Red Cross.



Left to right, Paula Ruth Julius, Betty Golding, Helen Root.

### Chance for Younger Boys on Tennis Squad

The tennis squad will have only one former letter man only this year. Bob Gershon has this distinction. One other student, Irwin Block, would have won a letter last year had he attended Westport long enough to be eligible. This means a chance for the younger boys to win a school letter.

"The war or the court fee or something else has reduced the number who tried out for the team," Mr. Fristoe, faculty tennis manager, said Friday. "If freshmen and sophomores will go out each year for tennis and practice consistently, they have a fine chance to win a letter by their senior year at least, and some may win letters sooner."

#### Tryout for Speakers Bureau to be Held Oct. 6

The Speakers' Bureau has opened its Oration Contest to all members of last year's and this year's speech department. The selections will be chosen from "My Land of Liberty" or similar patriotic selections. These talks should not exceed four minutes in length.

The preliminary tryout will be held Wednesday, October 6. Winners of the finals will be awarded prizes.

The bureau was organized three years ago as a kind of clearing house to discover the ability of pupils for assembly club and home room speaking.

The election of student council representatives will be held Thursday, September 30, in the home rooms. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, October 6, and every third Wednesday thereafter.

Shirley Ann Stroud is studying at the St. Mary's School of Nursing.

#### P.-T. A. AIDS IN PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS OF 987 PUPILS

Physical examinations of all girls taking gym were completed Tuesday, September 14. The doctor worked for two days, assisted by the P.-T. A. mothers, to examine 627 students. Miss Burke, the school nurse, was

Miss Burke, the school nurse, was much pleased with the results of the physical examinations given thus far, and hopes the correction of the faults discovered will be, as successful. About 630 girls were examined by Dr. Esther Winkelman and Dr. Margaret Duer, and about 360 boys were examined by Dr. C. H. Wyatt. Miss Burke thanks the P.-T. A. for their invaluable assistance in weighing and measuring the students and for giving the audiometer test Tuesday through Friday of last week to freshmen and seniors.

#### WAR AND JOBS CAUSE DECLINE IN ENROLLMENT

There has been a decrease in the enrollment here at Westport due to the changing of district boundaries, the entrance of a number of boys into the armed forces, and students remaining out of school to work. At the close of the second week of school last year there were 1,934 enrolled. Last Friday the figure was 1,681.

No doubt a large majority of those remaining away to work are employed in positions directly connected with the war effort or in jobs necessary to civilian welfare.

Another contributing, though probably negligible factor, is a previous decline in the birth rate which is now noticeable.

#### Betty Lou Rae Elected Cheerleader Alternate in Massmeeting

Betty Lou Rae was elected cheerleader alternate at the tryout held in the auditorium Friday afternoon. She was chosen by ballot after five acrobatic contestants had performed before a critical audience of 200 students. Betty Lou will fill the vacancy caused by Gladys Miller's transfer to Paseo.

The other members of the cheerleading squad elected last spring are Stuart Talcroft, captain; Guy May, Joe Fichter, Mary Jane McCord, Marguerite Sherman, Mary Alice Nelson. Bob Lindholm, alternate.

#### Hockey Season Opens

The after-school hockey season season started September 20. The hockey managers are Paula Ruth Julius, Betty Golding, and Helen Root. Miss Fairchild announces that any girl in good physical condition, who desires to come out for intramurals, may do so, regardless of whether or not she takes gym. See her or one of the managers about placement on a team. A fall tennis tournament has also been planned.

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# City Officials Guest Speakers at Community Rally



Left to right, L. P. Cookingham, Mayor Gage, Dr. Hunt.

# Police Chief Assails 11 o'clock Curfew in Group Interview

"I am definitely opposed to the 11 o'clock curfew ordinance, now before a committee of the city council," Robert R. Foster, chief of police, asserted in a group interview with representatives of the high school newspapers last week Wednesday afternoon.

"Such a law would be difficult to enforce," he said, "and it would be unfair to a great majority of the children of Kansas City. Eighty-five or 90 per cent of our boys and girls under 17 are law abiding. With only about 150 officers on duty at any given time it would be too big a job for the police to see that all children were home at 11 o'clock .

"The regulation of a child's hours is the responsibility of his parents, not of the police force," the chief continued. "The only value of the proposed ordinance would be to give the police a lever with which to clamp down on delinquents, but a better means could be found, I'm sure.

"Why can't you young people help solve this problem? In a few years you will be running the town and should be learning now how to do so. Remember this, a privilege is not a license to do as you please. You must conduct yourselves with due regard for others and respect for their property."

The interview, arranged by Miss Nadine Miller, director of the schools' information service, was an informal affair. The chief met the student news writers in his office and after exchanging greetings he announced that he had no prepared statement to make but would be glad to answer questions. The curfew was one of the first queries that popped up and received the most attention.

## Ticket Sales Exceed Last Year's Total in First Week

Never before in the history of Westport have students purchased so many activity tickets as this year. The main reason probably is the fact that so many students are working or were employed during the summer. The enthusiasm and school spirit shown in the first assembly is another contributing factor.

According to Mr. Shearer the first week's sales usually run about 400. In the first seven days of the campaign this year 820 activity tickets were sold, more than the total number sold all last year.

The fact that football will be played in Ruppert Stadium probably accounts for increased interest. The games will seem more like big city affairs. Night games also will attract adults in far greater numbers than the Saturday afternoon games played on small fields with limited seating capacity.

The activity ticket campaign will extend to the middle of October. By the end of the campaign, coaches and managers are hoping the total sales will exceed 1,000.

Doris Marzolf, a pupil in Miss Guffin's sewing classes, has completed a poster on which the names of all the home economics boys and girls in service are posted. These boys and girls write back home and to the teachers they had, to report where they are and what branch of the service they are in. Many of these boys write back to Miss Guffin and ask where the boys that were in their classes are now. They seem to have a family feeling toward each other. With the mayor and the city manager, the superintendent of schools and the local chief of the War Production Board as participating guests, the Community meeting sposored by the Westport P.-T. A. Tuesday evening, September 28, emphasized the close relationship between the schools and governmental agencies in Kansas City.

Mrs. Carl Schuler, Westport P.-T. A. president, opened the meeting with a brief welcome. Dr. Emil Frye, of the Trinity Methodist church, gave the invocation. Mr. Holloway acted as master of ceremonies.

Mayor John B. Gage pointed out that neighborhood groups are the foundations upon which democracy is built.

Dr. Hayes Richardson, director of Welfare, pointed out that back of every delinquent child is a delinquent home or community.

Dr. Hunt and City Manager Cookingham also placed the community and home at the head of the list in maintaining good citizenship and good living.

D. A. Dimitri, chief of the War Production Board, thanked the P.-T. A. for their efforts in salvage collections.

The auditorium echoed with patriotic and late song hits, as the audience sang lustily and feelingly under the leadership of Les Warren and Jimmie Fern of the city's recreational department. The Pep-Band, sent out by the city officials, added pep and pleasure to the evening. Singing by the recreational girls from the city's recreation department and other specialty numbers added to the evening's entertainment.

# P. T. A. Drive Opens

The P.-T.A. membership drive started yesterday when membership applications were distributed in the homerooms. Pupils are urged to return the blanks with their parents' signatures and 50 cents, the yearly dues.

"The Westport Parent-Teacher Association has been and can be an effective instrument in working out the problems of the school and teachers," Mrs. J. L. Williams, membership chairman, stated last Friday. "It can be effective only in proportion to the number it represents."

"We need the aid of a strong supporting parent-teacher group," Mr. Holloway commented in voicing his appreciation of the service rendered by the P.-T. A. in previous years. "In these trying times a vital organization is more essential than ever."

The campaign will continue throughout the week and will end next Monday.

Students of Lewis and Clark high school, Spokane, Wash., purchased \$38,000 worth of stamps and bonds during the summer months.

### We Must Prepare for Victory Now

Thousands of words have been spoken and written about the ultimate and inevitable victory over our enemies. It is a little bit surprising how comparatively few of them apply directly to the part the students of today will play in post-war economy.

It might be well to give a little thought to the situation before it develops, rather than wait until we find ourselves out into the world on our own. How well equipped will we be to hold our own in what will probably be the most competitive job-market the world has ever known? At the end of the war millions of workers will be looking for new jobs. While we all hope for a much quicker ending, present indications are that the war will end at about the time we are leaving school, and it is quite unlikely that all of these persons or any appreciable number of them will step aside to make room for us merely because we have finished our schooling.

So in our pleasant contemplation of the fact of victory, let's not forget the individual responsibility and obligation placed on every one of us to train ourselves NOW for the test that is coming.

# Hand of Friendship Extended to Newcomers

Welcome! What a world of warmth is in that word. So we say hello to the new pupils who have just entered Westport. In these days, when the good-neighbor policy is being stressed so much, we would offer the hand of friendship and fellowship to those who have cut the old ties of school and home to start in another city.

We who have been here for some time wish to be your friends and assist you while you are becoming accustomed to the school. Mingle with us in comradeship and become one of us, and we in turn will be sincere in our efforts to erase any loneliness you may experience in your new school life.

Again we say welcome, new students; may your year at Westport be a happy one.

# It Sez Here

Hello again, everyone. Here's your favorite column full of news, gossip and nonsense.

Our odd man in the eternal triangle this week is Joe Fichter. Twice lately Joe has been passed up for better (?) things.

It seems that Nancy Steele and Hi-Y president Dick Fristoe still are on the beam. How come the monopoly Dick? Speaking of couples, this year's newest is Bob Gershon and Virginia McFarland. Bob says that he has at last found a reason for coming to school.

Stu Talcroft and Chuck Frizzell enjoyed the student council meeting. Says Stu, "Since there were only two people there it wasn't very hard to elect the officers." Incidentally, what did happen to that meeting? Or is it a military secret.

Although Seth Gatchell is now attending Junior College, he can be seen five days out of every week rambling through Westport's halls at the side of Marguerite Sherman.

After looking around we find that Bill Kirshner and Herschel Perrin are still here but don't get excited; they're taking a post graduate course. Anyway we're glad to see them. Also we see a pair of twins, Jean and Julia Wilkinson who come to us from Jefferson City. They are seniors,

By the way, if anyone knows where those dazzling damsels get those cute beaded Indian mocassins, pass the word around. They're the cutest things we've seen in a long time.

If you saw several girls last week going around with worried looks on their faces, it was probably just some of the Pundits thinking who to get for their new sponsor.

Another of Westport's students from last year we notice is missing; namely Dorothy Arnold. Dotty has gone to Des Moines, Ia. She reports that it is not as nice there as old Kansas City.

This column simply would not be complete without mentioning some of the favorite tunes. "Sunday, Monday or Always" takes first place but "People Will Say We're in Love" and "Pistol Packin' Mama" are a close second.

Kinda corny but that's what it sez here.

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#### Beitling's Daily Cartoons Enliven Study of Latin

Richard Beitling in Miss Eggleston's second hour Latin class is establishing a reputation as a cartoonist. With the aid of his idea men, Stuart Talcroft, Dean Melton and Jerry Mc-Whirter, he decorates the board each day with a new caricature. All writing is in Latin, of course, and "scripta at manus," writ by hand.

The favorite subject is Miss Eggleston pictured as a "crudelis Latina magistra," a cruel Latin teacher, trying to get her students to study. Under this picture is inscribed "sclopeta colligens mater," or "sword carrying mama." The activity ticket assembly inspired a portrait of the cheerleaders, Shermana, Talcroftus and Ficterus. This cartoon is copyrighted by the second hour class and in bold letters is a warning to other classes, "aufer manus," hands off. A recent announcement was that the "Mortis Caesaris" is "mox venit," the "Death of Caesar is coming." We can hardly wait.

#### Lost Articles to be Kept 2 Weeks

Articles turned in at the Lost and Found department will be kept for two weeks only, after which time, providing they are unclaimed, they will be given to worthy organizations. This plan is a result of the books and clothing which have accumulated in the Lost and Found during past years. The place to look for lost books or articles of clothing is the Lost and Found station, just south of room 107. Valuables such as jewelry and pocketbooks are kept in the office. A notice will be posted on the bulletin board in the front hall when valuable lost articles are not turned in.

Reprints of all pictures published in The Crier may be purchased from Miss Bonney in room 104. Five by seven enlargements will cost 25 cents and eight by tens, 50 cents.

# Servicemen Call K. C. Canteen "Shangri-La"

The Canteen for servicemen at 1021 McGee street, is referred to by the men as Shangri-La.

It is utilized by the visiting soldiers, sailors, marines and all other members of the armed forces who are in town between trains and on short leaves. It is well equipped with showers and clothes washing facilities in the basement, offices on the first floor, a well stocked reading room on the third, recreation hall on the second and theater on the fourth floor.

Many a tired, lonesome man in uniform has found the Canteen a pleasant place to relax and rest up a bit where he has the free privileeg of bathing, shaving, washing or pressing clothes, reading, writing letters, enjoying the games in the recreation hall, or attending shows or entertainments being presented on the fourth floor by members of the various vaudevike troupes in town who donate their services for the benefit of the men.

No service man is charged for anything except food ordered at the Snack Bar on the second floor.

Visiting service men declare emphatically that they receive more consideration and better treatment here than in almost any other large city, east or west. It may be assumed that this also holds true for points north and south since no statement to the contrary has been heard.

All who have worked at the Canteen agree that every citizen should consider it a privilege as well as a duty to contribute in every possible way to the program and it is hard to understand how any city, large or small, could fail to meet its obligation in this respect.

According to two faculty members, Miss Eva Bechtel and Miss Edith J, Hanna, who have contributed some of their time to serve at the canteen, it is an exceptionally worthwhile project. They say that every patriotic Kansas Citian should think of some way to contribute directly to the canteen or its support rather than sit back and bask in the reflected credit earned by the efforts of those who actually have less time to spare.

#### New Music Records Purchased

The vocal music department has added many new records and albums to its growing collection. Among the records are the voices of Lawrence Tibbett, Nelson Eddy and Kirsten Flagstadt while among the albums are Fred Waring and his glee club, Jerome Kern's "Showboat," Tschaikowsky's Francesca do Rimini Op. 32, Stravinsky's Fire Bird Suite, Brahm's Symphony No. 1 in C Minor with Arturo Toscanini, Tschaikowsky's Symphony No. 5 in E Minor with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra and "Carnival of the Animals" with Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

#### A lad named Homer in Mr. Cutting's first hour algebra class, has quite a way with the gals. He jumps at the chance to be of service.

Under the Clock

Miss Hanna-Where did bicameral legislature begin?

History student-On page 78.

In one of the exciting moments of the Rosedale game when everyone leaped to his feet, Phoebe Matchett was discovered on the ground under the bleachers.

Many typing students learned a valuable lesson the other day when Mr. Van Horne gave them an exercise and told them to talk to their neighbors while they typed!

Seaman Second Class Cuthbert Rose, '43, stationed at Farragut, Ida., was a recent visitor. He was quoted as saying, "Farragut is a very beautiful place, but I wish they would give it back to the Indians!"

Brilliant remark heard from the Westport bleachers near the end of the Rosedale game, "Does anyone have a vitamin pill?"

Dotty Crabtree says typing's allright, but those belis that keep ringing drive her crazy!

We wonder why all the boys are so fond of Hi-Y meetings. It must be the interesting programs—yeah, programs.

Norma Dehmer isn't called coke bottle because she's so fond of cokes.

Sheryl Holland thinks "The Wife of Bath" in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales was after a man.

Virginia Tribbey collects gold in the form of W pins.

After watching a student fail to prove a geometry problem, Miss Cook said in despair, "I must be some teacher." To her amazement Dick Harte, the brilliant student, replied, "No, ma'am, I'm some pupil!"

Is Lois Nodell's middle name Jean or Jean-ius? Guess what she claims?

Eddie McLeroy declares his glasses give him that "collegiate look."

The students in Miss Trotter's fifth hour English lit. class just look stunned when they were told to memorize eighteen lines of foreign-looking poetry. "It's really very simple," Miss Trotter says, but we're still worried!

Dorothy Johnston is in a state of great mental strain. Someone has stolen her entire supply of bobby pins.

A good egg is Ometa Siegelin. Her friends call her "Omelet." This is the age of lockers for preservation. Just what was locker 2376 preserving the other day when Nancy Pat was locked in?

In a recent election of vice-president for choir Elaine Britt stated Eddie McLeroy could sew. And how did she know? "He sewed up my sweater once" she asserts.

"Cherry" Bynum spends a lot of time talking long distance on the phone and writing letters these days,

Barbara Harrington is our nomination for best personality in 1945-46.

When pupils in her seventh hour history class did not respond to questions she asked, Miss Hanna remarked, "I know you have more brains than you make out to have or you would have been hit by a car on your way to school."

Walter Blagg would like to learn how to court a girl in Spanish. Buena suerte, senor!

Help Wanted—Musicians for swing band. Anyone considered, apply in person. Signed Charles (Desperate) Frizzell.

Phyllis Newman was entirely satisfied with her program evidently. After receiving a change slip she walked into second hour and said in a dazed voice, "Look what they've done to me."

Have you noticed (on second thought, how could you miss) Joedan Saunder's bright, new argyle plaid sweater?

La Rue Johnson is hoping that her father's ability runs in the family. He can take shorthand at 160 words a

#### Reserves Welcome Freshmen at "Backwards" Party

One hundred twenty freshman g.rls munched on hot buttered popcorn in the girls' gym Monday, September 27. Sponsored by the Girl Reserves, this "Backwards party" served to introduce this organization to the freshmen. Dolores Roller, president, and Shirley Elliott, social chairman, outlined the purposes and activities of the club to the girls. Miss Mildred Longfellow, of the YWCA, directed the games.

A tea at the Young Kansas Citian's club was held by the Girl Reserves Sunday, October 3. Miss Mildred Longfellow, of the YWCA spoke on the functions of the Girl Reserve club. Cabinet members comprised the receiving line.

Something new in the way of lunch rooms is the cafeteria the La Cruces high school Canteen, complete with juke box, cokes and hamburgers. the feather cuts?

# All Set to Go



Left to right, Talcroft, Sherman, Fichter, McCord, May, Nelson

#### **6** Westporters Win Prizes in Brandeis Contest

Westport was well represented among the winners of the "First Annual Justice Brandeis Memorial Essay Contest," sponsored by the Jewish Community Council. Robert Bartle and Jean Sydenstricker were in third place and each won \$10 in war stamps. Richard Fristoe was one of the fifth prize winners and received a year's subscription to "Common Ground," a current events magazine. Annette McEwen, Dolores Roller and Jean Suffill, each was awarded a copy of Wen-dell Wilkie's "One World," for the merit of their contributions.

These were all Miss Trotter's stu-dents when they entered the contest last spring. Since there were many contestants from Junior College and the University of Kansas City, our percentage of winners was large. Central and Lillis were represented by first and second place winners.

Sieg Harzfeld was chairman of the essay committee. Hans Lamm, secretary of the committee, a Jewish refugee from Germany and a brilliant scholar, made most of the actual arrangements for the contest.

the sake of selfish or narrowly partisan interests.

We will continue to teach, to study, and to learn the principles on which a just and lasting peace may be built, remembering always that we fight in this war to create conditions under which peace may prevail and freedom may flourish.

We will stay in this fight to the finish, and not relax our efforts one split second before it is won.

Faithfully yours,

Herold C. Hunt,

Superintendent of Schools. September 29, 1943.

Monitor Staff Chosen

Monitors have been appointed as follows with Mr. Means as supervisor:

Phyllis Baird, Barbara Bane, Nancy Barnesc, Gwendolyn Boerner, James Jay Boley, Eleanor Mae Boyer, Garnet Briant, Édla Carlson, Jocelyn Carter, Dick Chapman.

Marian Clement, Charles Cooper, Joann Davidson, Grace Davis, Norma Dehmer, Maxine Dickson, Beverly Englehardt, Morton Galitzky, Pat Gardner.

Charmaine Gile, Betty Golding, Gail Goodrich, Florence Hagstrom, Lee Gene Hardsaw, Richard Harrison, Betty Jean Hazen, Bernadine Heinrich, Dorothy Hubbard.

Annabel Hurley, Jack Jester, Billie Jean Jones, Mary Helen Kelly, Doris Kimble, George Kirkland, Mary Mc-Cord, Bill McMahon, Dean Melton, Josephine Miller.

Duke Montgomery, Donna Mueller, Anne Nafe, Louise Nelson, Mary Alice Nelson, Phyllis Newman, Regina Nichols, Bob O'Brien, Mary Parry, Lois Pendleton.

Bonnie Perry, Betty Pierce, Betty Lu Rea, George Reasor, Erma Rehkop, Jane Riche, Joicie Rule, Martha Rush,

Marilyn Sejnost, Bob Showalter. Bob Spencer, Helen Spencer, Rose Sproull, Mary Standish, Lois Stilwell, Bob Stuckert, Russell Sublette, David Sutton, Florence Swarner, Shirley Swanson.

Dorothy Terry, Bill Usher, Beverly Van Bibber, Susie Vandiver, Elizabeth Viscofsky, Betty Walrod, Margaret Walrod, Marjorie Walthall, Patricia Walz, Bob Webb, Martha Weber, Alice Wehrle, Elaine Worcester and Bob Zucco.

The faculty committee sponsoring the monitors:

Hour 3a, Mr. Phillips; hour 3b, Mr. Priefert; hour 4a, Miss Wilhite; hour 4b, Miss Jackson; hour 5, Mr. Phillips; S-G Men, Sergeant Metz.

# New Ideals Set Up for Pupils & Teachers

To High School Pupils and Teachers:

A challenge, addressed to the pupils and teachers of the United States, has come to me from the Educational Policies Commission. I present it to you for your consideration: As Students

We will remain in school, attend regularly, and learn all we can, to make ourselves effective in the service of our country, remembering that this war calls for many skilled services on the battle front and at home.

We will safeguard our health and keep ourselves physically fit, so that we may be strong to perform our duties, remembering that prevent-able illness is a serious handicap to full wartime efficiency of the nation.

As Teachers We will provide a program of education and recreation for all youth, which will encourage them to continue in school and protect them from anti-social influences, remembering that they need to satisfy their desires for adventurous action and to feel that by continuing in school they can constantly grow in ability to render national service. We will foster the physical and mental health of children and youth, and see that remediable defects are promptly corrected, remembering that the duties and strains of war require strong bodies

#### and healthy minds. Working Together

We will faithfully observe all regulations designed to prevent inflation, conserve materials needed for the war, and secure a fair distribution of civilian goods, remembering that the strength of democracy lies in willing cooperation for the common good.

Over and above our duties as citizens and our responsibilities as members of the school, we will seek and find additional opportunities to serve our nation and our community, remembering that small acts, when multiplied many times, may save lives, relieve suffering, and hasten the hour of victory.

We will be alert to the defense of our schools and homes against enemy attack, remembering that military authorities have warned us that air raids are still possible and that the lives and property of others may depend upon the vigilance of each one of us.

We will strive to grow in our understanding of democracy, in our loyalty to democratic ideals, and in our practice of the democratic way of life, remembering that every day many Americans are giving their lives so that freedom may not perish from the earth.

We will keep ourselves informed on public affairs and seek to be unbiased in our judgments on public questions and the actions of public officials\_ remembering that freedom of speech should never be used for

# Honor List for Last Semester Announced

Seniors, juniors and sophomores who made the second semester honor roll last year have been announced as follows:

Betty Bly Andrews Dick Albright Donna Ashlock Sophia Barash Nancy Barnes Bettie Bedford Robert Bevan Joned Billings Betty Bopp Anita Boresow Bertha Boresow Glenna Branstetter Lenore Branstetter Frances Brown Jane Bucher Helen Bullock Charlotte Canfield Ethelmae Craig Dorothy Cunningham Edward Davis Elizabeth Davis Grace Davis Norma Dehmer Ruthelene Eaton Jeanne Endres Beverly Engelhardt Shirley Engelhardt Carl Erickson Charles Fern Robert Firestone Betty Fluke Doris Frank Dick Fristoe Morton Galitzky Powell Gatlizky Wilbur Garrett Charmaine Gile Stanford Gilgus Barbara Golden Gail Goodrich Judith Hadas Marilyn Haggard Sammy Hall Barbara Harrington Betty Jean Hazen Annamaria Hersberg Charles Heraberg Mary Lou Hindman Sheryl Holland Clyde B. Hood James Howard Dorothy Hubbard Delores Hunter Annabel Hurley Dorothy Johnston Jacqueline Kanally Doris Kimble Tressa Kimble Norma Kindsvater Doris Klein Ralph Kron

George Landes Robert Landes Deborah Lang Phyllis Larson Jean La Turin Robert Lenington Jim Lenk Ruth Lentz Leon Levin Leon Levin Loretta Lienhard Jenette Luhnow Marcel Matson Ruth Matson Dan McDermott Annette McEwen Dean Melton Josephine B, Miller Betty Minier Earl Moon Verna Murfin Joyce Murrell Frances Nekuda Lucille Nekuda Louise Nelson Robert Newman Lois Jean Nodell Virginia Palmer Julia Parkins Mary E. Parry Lois Pendleton Martha Porter Marian Pugh Donna Rapier George Reasor Joicie Rule Alice Ealmon Frank Schroeder Emma Schuler Mardella Sardiar Mardelle Seeling Millicent Sheets Robert Showalter Brookes Spencer Bruce Sproull Merres Starbuck Jean Suffill Barbara Taff Betty Taff Stuart Talcroft Bob Thomas Danny Tropp Phyllis Truley Phyllis Truley Beverly Van Bibber Jack R. Vinson Stewart Wagner Wilma Westerdahl Charles White Jeanne Whitney Bachara Low Verse Rarbara Lee Young Bob Zucco Frances Hahn Marjorie Staufer

#### Designs Ration Book Holders

Mr. Wheeler's beginning metal shop classes are making ration book holders out of discarded tin cans. Although Mr. Wheeler is quite modest about the fact that he designed the holders he is proud over the results. The plans for this project are open to other schools. Preliminary plans are under way for the making of ash trays for boys in service. Last year Mr. Wheeler's pupils made 250 ash trays and because they did such a good job they have been requested to make 500 this year. They are also busy rebuilding the foundry machinery and making file card holders for the keeping of recipes or for other kinds of filing.

Laura Owen and Catherine McKim, members of Miss Keeler's speech class, broadcast the John Taylor program over KMBC Saturday morning, October 2. They presented Miss Keeler with a recording of the broadcast.

# Up and Down the Corridors

Officers have been elected in Mr. Chubb's home room. The president, Morton Galitzky, has charge of activity ticket sales. Don Wilkinson, secretary-treasurer, will handle the war stamps. J.m Littrell was elected vice president.

The tennis team has accepted a challenge by Pembroke Country Day school for a match to be played soon after the interscholastic meet.

Periodicals, rare or expensive books, and special reference texts now are kept in a section behind Miss Fairweather's desk in the library.

Sheryl Holland spoke before a student assembly at the Van Horn school, and Rita Terry spoke before the Faxon P.-T. A. for the Community Chest drive Wednesday, September 29.

Barbara Lee Duggins, a senior, has transferred from Southwest to Westport.

The engagement of Billie Lee and Jim Donohue, both '43, was announced recently. Billie is working at TWA and Jim is stationed at San Diego.

Virginia Tribbey and Barbara Gordon sold war bonds and entertained soldiers at camp last summer. Virginia is an expert at acrobatics and tap dancing. Barbara specializes in toe tap dancing which requires much skill and balance.

With the aid of P.-T. A. members Miss Burke, the nurse, has given audiometer tests to more than 900 freshmen and senior pupils.

Ann Armstrong ,'43, is doing clerical work for the Price Candy company.

Jimmy Mueller, '43, is attending K.U.

Loretta Vann, '42, is working for the Aircraft Accessories company.

A class in home nursing was organized Monday for senior girls enrolled in home economics under the direction of Miss Burke.

Shirley Kester, '43, now a member of the U. S. Cadet Nursing Corps, is being trained at General Hospital and the University of Kansas City.

Norman Bolis, '43, visited here recently while home on a five-day visit. He is taking a pre-medic course at Washington University where he won a scholarship.

Lillian Sandy, '40, a stenographer for the F.B.I., has been transferred to Kansas City from Cleveland, where she has been for the last year.

Jean Sydenstricker and Geneva Zarr are now attending Southwest. Bob Sturgeon has been appointed captain of the golf team by Mr. F. N. Banister, who will sponsor the team.

Marjorie Walthall is happy over the bundle the stork left at her house recently, a new baby brother.

John Kander is attending Pen:broke Country Day, He was a junior nere last year.

Typing awards have been won by Bonnie Lee Wilhelm, 50, and Gertrude Rothberg, 40.

Nancy Barnes and Bertha Boresow were the reporters at the last assembly.

Jean Wade and Betty Ruth Yates have cut stencils for a book soon to be distributed to the advanced clothing classes. Jean has done the typing while Betty Ruth did the drawings. The commercial department printed the books.

Richard Eackus, managing editor of The Crier last year, visited here last week. He is attending Washington University in St. Louis.

Miss Marie Murlin, vocal instructor in 1942, visited school last week.

Bob Taylor, '43; member of The Crier statf last year, is now sports editor of the K. C. U. paper.

The Pundits received a letter from Charles Stevenson of the O.C.D., thanking them for helping process war ration book No. 3.

The fourth year clothing girls are going ahead on their own. A booklet for each girl is being prepared in the typing classes. This booklet contains much other material besides information about sewing.

Ruthann Gay, '43, is attending the University of Kansas City.

Merlyn Stenger is planning to leave for K. U. soon.

June Frame is a private secretary at the North American bomber plant.

Shirley Bertram, a junior, and Marjorie Duncan, from East just have complete a week's engagement on the stage at the Tower Theater. They gave one-night between shows at the Canteen with the complete Stage Revue. They did a dance which was called "Derby Winners."

Margarette Williams, '43, has been awarded a scholarship at the Kansas City Art Institute. She was the only student from Westport who tried out in this contest. While a student she was a member of Jules Guerin and received a Distinguished Service Award last June. Her sister, Laura, is a senior.

Pvt. Bert Schmoeger, '43, is in the Coast Artillery at Camp Pendleton, Va.

Cpl. William A. Morrison, '32, is in the Chemical Warfare Service. He is stationed in Washington, D.C.

Kenneth E. Talley, '41, is a private in the Marine Corps.

Claud L. Hickey, '37, is a pilot in the Army Air Corps.

Robert D. Thomson, '42, is a naval aviation cadet.

Glen W. Packer, '39, is a corporal in the Marine Corps.

Seaman second class George A. Ulane, '43, was wounded in the South Pacific.

D. W. Ulane, '39, is with the Army Medical Corps in active service in New Guinea.

Sam Tsougas, '43, is a private in the Marine Corps.

Keith Halbeisen is with the Marines at San Diego.

Le Roy De Ford, '40, is a corporal in the Army Air Corps Engineers.

Mr. Pollock, former Westport Junior shop teacher, is an ensign in the Navy.

Lt. Robert Steele, '37, reported miss-ing in action since July, is a German prisoner in Holland.

Bill Miller, '43, is at Farragut, Ida., taking navy boot training.

Bob Scanlon, '43, is stationed at the Marine training base in San Diego.

Joe Williams, '44, is with the Coast Guard at Alameda, Cal.

Jack Furry, '43, secretary of his class, is in Springfield, Fla., taking pre-flight training.

Lloyd Wagner, '43, is with the Merchant Marine at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Don Miller, '43, is attending Kansas University before entering army officer's training in December.

Phil Eichelbaum, '43, is an appren-tice seaman at the U. S. Naval Train-

ing Station, Farragut, Idaho. Bronek Labunski, '42, is taking training in languages at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Capt. John C. Musselman, '37, is back in this country after an extended tour of duty in the Pacific theater. Enlisting in the Marine Corps in 1940 he won his wings as a flying leatherneck. In the battle of Midway he was officer of the day. In this battle he was wounded by flying shrapnel. Captain Musselman flew with a fighter squadron on Guadalcanal for two months. He now is instructing future fighter pilots in Jacksonville, Florida.

Ensign Don Kerlin, a former stu-dent, visited the school September 29. Francis J. Pace, '41, A.M.M.3-c, is

in Oklahoma studying aerial gunnery.

Wesley L. Hinds, former student,-S 2-c, is leaving Farragut, Idaho, where he has been stationed for seven months, to go to submarine school.

Booth Tarkington's "Seventeen" has been selected for Manual's fall play.

On The Firing Line

Col. E. W. Bondy, P.M.S. and T, awarded proficiency ribbons at the battalion parade this morning.

The Westport battalion will participate in a regimental parade on October 16 for the Community Chest Fund Drive.

A number of pale-faced, nervous, prospective officers slowly filed into the R.O.T.C. room last Wednesday for an examination. At 4 o'clock and at 5 the same formerly prospective, officers crawled out with drawn, worried looks on their even more wan faces.

The battalion will hold its rifle practice at the Third Missouri Armory this vear.

#### TOPICS CHOSEN FOR EDUCATION WEEK, NOVEMBER 7 TO 13

"Education for Victory," the theme of American Education week, is an especially appropriate one for our secend year of war.

Education Week grew out of the first World War, when it was discovered that approximately one-fourth of the men were rejected for duty in the armed forces because of illiteracy. Founded to carry the message of learning through the schools to every individual, it is now carrying the message of the essentialness of education to win the peace to every person.

The daily topics for the week:

The daily topics for the week: Sunday, November 7, Education for World Understanding; Monday, November 8, Educa-tion for Work; Tuesday, November 9, Educa-tion for the Air Age; Wednesday, November 10, Education to Win and Secure the Peace; Thursday, November 11, Education for War-time Citizenship; Friday, November 12, Meet-ing the Emergency in Education, and Satur-day, November 13, Education for Sound Health. Health.

All of the schools will have their annual open house for patrons during the week.

Outstanding orators from the public speaking classes will assist in the campaigns for the War Chest and Education Week drives. These students, chosen in tryouts to be held October 14 for the War Chest drive and November 4 for Education week, will speak before various Kansas City organizations.

Mr. Ploesser's fifth hour geometry class has elected Bill Feagans president; Jack Hedger, vice president; William Bradley, secretary, and Dick Weinberg, sergeant at arms.

Ensign Donald Gregg, nephew of Miss Wilhite, art teacher, re-cently graduated from the Harvard Radar School. Miss Wilhite's sister attended the exercises. Now, after five-days' leave, he has been assigned to further study of Radar at the Massachusetts Institue of Technology.

The Southwest Trail now refers to freshmen as "little yardbirds." Well, we've heard them called a lot of other things, too!

#### War Stamp Buyers to Honor Westport Servicemen

A \$40,000 goal for war stamps and bonds has been set for Westport this year. Half of this amount is the quota for the first semester.

If 90 per cent of the school participates in the stamp sales, a blue min-ute-man flag will be issued by the treasury. Miss Gales, sponsor of the Stamp Council, hopes to see the flag flying under Old Glory soon, so that all will know that Westport is doing her part.

Placards also will be issued to all 100 per cent home rooms. To qualify, a homeroom must have 100 per cent participation three times consecutive-Each additional 100 per cent week will be indicated on the placard.

War stamp day on September 29 was dedicated to all the friends and relatives in the armed forces of Westporters. Each succeeding week will be dedicated to some former Westport student now serving his country ...

The following home room representatives were presented at the first meeting of the War Stamp Council Monday, September 27:

Charles E. Averill, S. C. Estes, Anne Nafe, Judy Bartell, Ann Fox, Florence Smart, Annabel Hurley, Pat Haney, Virginia Wright, Annie Leach,

Eugene Fischer, Juanita Courtney. Jack Vinson, Al De Shong, Elloise Rodus, Virginia Johnson, Phyllis Ahl, Don Wilkinson, Cornelius Felts, Clay Campbell, Pearl Thompson, Frankie Goodwin, Tobie Brown, Dixie Hardman.

Norma Roehrich, Charles Carter, Rita Jean Terry, James Everly, Phyllis Baird, Karl Kimes, Betty Lou Rea, Norma Kindsvater, Sophia Barash, Peggy Brandenburg, Marilyn Haggard, Pauline Thompson, Charlotte Canfield, Wynemia Smith, Betty Kanally, Mary Lou Hindman, Dan Silverthorn.

The officers of the girls' glee club and the A Cappella Choir have been elected. Mary Sweet is president of the glee club, Helen Dodds, vice president; Paula Ruth Julius, secretary, and Gloria Sackman, treasurer. The choir officers are Robert Shelton, president; Charles Frizzell, vice president; Martha Rush, secretary, and Marguerite Sherman, treasurer.

Doris Heerwald, a senior, was interviewed and photographed recently by members of the staff of the Kansas City Star. Her daily schedule at home, school and work was included in the article. Her picture was taken at the office where she is employed. The article was intended to show that many high school students today don't have time for ice cream eating and coke drinking but hurry home from school to go to work, thereby helping the war effort.

Eugene Shearer, '41, son of M. H. Shearer, physiography teacher, visited school September 28. He is in the Marines and is receiving radar training in Chicago.

### New Students Enrolled from Nineteen States

New students from nineteen states have come to Westport this year. Missouri supplied 104 of the 182 accessions. The following newcomers are from other states:

Kansas, Kansas City, Alice Keever, Dorothy Noble; Rosedale, Mary Kissinger, Barbara Jean McWilliams, Enid Mathes, La Donna Manville, Ruth Ann Wilson, Iva Chester; Arkansas City, Beverly Ann Legg; Baldwin, Phyllis Landis; Fort Scott, Robert Lewis; Leavenworth, Bernard Morgan; Wellsville, Marilyn Orr; Highland, Bryan Riggs; Garnet. Dan Silver-thorn; Stanley, Floyd Stiers; Coffeyville, Beth Smith; Union Town, Robert Smith; Marhattan, Joyce Witt; Mer-riam, Shirley Wallace; White Cloud, Betty Lou Yates; Eskridge, Peggy Buchanan; Emporia, Lewis Bacon, Mary Lu Hadley; Iola, Simona Hadley; Ioia, Walter Chavez; Wichita, Walter Gates; Tonganoxie, Helen Hidukovich; Neodesha, Louis A. Johnson; Salina, La Rue Johnson; Topeka, Rosemary King.

Nebraska, Omaha, Esther Laurance, Wayne Simmonds, Suzanne Stubbs.

Wisconsin, Monroe, Jeanne Ladner; Wausaw, Jack Stuewman; Waukesha, Marvin Elmore; Eau Claire, Joyce Fay Heller.

Colorado, Edward Gillett, Gladys Marie Mandis.

Texas, Weslaco, Guy Moore; Texarkana. Max Teeter; Fort Worth, Lorraine E. Cox; Dallas, Donald Dooley; Houston, Mary Husbands.

Oklahoma, Collensorolle, Marvin Morrison: Okmulgee, Richard Peters; Quay, Nellie Bergstadt: Oklahoma City. Jack Croioson; Tulsa, Frankie Goodwin.

New York, New York City, Jerry Pollak, Sherman Godsey.

Wyoming, Pavillion, William Pattison.

Iowa, Melbourne, Maurice Perry, Gledden, Jane Thursman; Laurens, Don Ashmore; Ames, Nancy Akin; Marshall town, Keith Chader; Allerton, Ira Dean Evans; Pleasantville, Richard M. Hoyt; Des Moines, Peter Hutton Kinsev.

California, Vallejo, Elizabeth Peer; Hollywood, Barbara Herber.

Arkansas. Portia, Olene Stovall; Little Rock, Elaine Carnes; Fayetteville, Genevieve Hunter; Camden, Tillie Lou Head.

Kentucky, Paducah, Polly Tucker, Bob Force.

Michigan, Flint, Jerry Dougherty; Detroit, Evelan Veziard.

Illinois, Mandota, Dorothy Cortelyou; Anna, Olive Wilhelm; Rock Island, Mary Ellen Waits; Chicago, Peggy Thompson.

Minnesota, Fergus Falls, Charles Tometie.

Tennessee, Kingsborg, Gene Smith. Arizona, Phoenix, Beverly Thomas. New Jersey, Cranford, George Chat-

tin.

#### 110 PUPILS FILE REQUESTS FOR PART-TIME WORK

Miss Hatch has received requests from 110 boys and girls for part time work. Of these, twenty-nine were 16 or above and over, the rest 14 and 15. However, most of the requests call for boys and girls of 16 or older. Anyone under 16 cannot work after 7 o'clock at night.

The types of jobs range from caring for children, waiting tables, saleswork, ushering and office work for girls. Boys are needed for elevator operators, filling stations and office work.

Miss Hatch says that the greatest problem is that most of the job requests are for pupils over 16.

Requests that cannot be filled here go to the office of the Director of Counseling where duplicate copies are made and sent to all high schools.

Miss Hatch said she was impressed at the maturity of judgment shown by students in their choice of doing good school work and postponing until later a heavy work experience.

"The need for help is so great that pupils might be tempted to carry too heavy a load for their strength, ability and time. Where a work experience calls for more than two hours daily an adjusted program is advisable," the counselor says.

On account of the shortage of physicians the boys and girls of Topeka high have been giving physical examinations to themselves and recording the results.

#### ENAMELED LOCKERS BANISH DARKNESS IN CORRIDORS

"Where did all the light come from ?"-was the general comment of returning students when they viewed the lockers gleaming with a new coat of light grey enamel.

Other improvements, however, caused less cheerful comment. Many teachers have been wondering why, when they had all summer to do it, the men fixing our window sills had to wait until school started to sand and scrape them. The labor shortage probably was the reason. Nevertheless the majority were pleased and thankful for the improvements, including newly painted walls, sanded table; and chairs and new tables for Misa Guffin's sewing classes.

A young journalist on the Paseo Press seemed to be greatly inspired (?) this year as seen by her masterpiece(? again): "Oh, poor girls of '44

There are more of you than ever before.

You're out of luck, you'll have no fun, For you outnumber the boys 3 to 1. But don't despair,

Don't tear your hair;

And wipe your tear,

For '44 is Leap Year!"

The Southeast Tower reports that the girl studes are going "Veronica Lake" and letting their hair grow long and lovely.

# Faculty Committees Appointed

Armed Forces Committee

Miss Hanna, chairman; Miss Huhn, secre-tary; Mr. Bourrette, Sergeant Metz.

Assembly Committee Miss Keeler, chairman; Mr. King, Mr. Spring.

Athletics Committee

Mr. Miner, chairman; Mr. Bourrette, Mr. Chubb, Mr. Fristoe, Mr. Banister.

Community Fund Committee Miss Trotter, chairman: Mr. Ir Lash, Miss Wilhite, Miss Brubaker. Mr. Irion, Miss

Coordination Committee

Miss Trotter, chairman; Miss Lash, Miss Cook.

#### Christmas Assembly

Miss Fairweather, chairman: Miss Keeler, Mr. Spring, Miss Brubaker, Mr. Kennan.

Courtesy Committee Miss Eggleston, chairman; Miss Huhn, Miss Doehler.

DeWitt Scholarship Committee Miss

Hatch, chairman; Miss Lash, Mr. Booth, Mr. Holloway.

Finance Committee Mr. Shearer, chairman: Mr. Miner, Mr. Booth, Miss Junkin, Miss Keeler, Miss Card. Mr. Shearer,

Freshman Class Committee Miss Gales, chairman; Miss Beck, Mr. Wheeler.

Incidental Fund Committee Miss Junkin, chairman; Mr. Irion, Miss

Maddox, Mr. Harris.

Junior Class Committee Miss Youngs, chairman; Mr. Chubb, Miss Durborow.

Lost and Found Committee Miss Cannon, chairman; Sergeant Metz, Miss Junkin.

Monitor Committee Mr. Priefert, Mr. Mr. Means, chairman; Mr. Priefert, Mr. Phillips, Miss Jackson, Miss Wilhite, Sergeant

Open House Committee Miss Guffin, chairman; Miss Maddox, Mr. Booth.

Orientation Committee Miss Wheeler, chairman; Miss Cannon, Mias

Keeler, Miss Trotter. Pep Club Committee

Mr. King, chairman; Miss Brubaker, Mr. Ploesaer.

Play Committee Miss Keeler, chairman; Mr. King, Mr. Ward, Miss Trotter.

**Red Cross Committee** Miss Bechtel, chairman; Miss Durborow, Miss James.

Scholarship Committee

Miss Bridges, chairman; Miss Shire, Miss Jackson.

Social Committee Miss Fairchild, chairman; Miss Younts, Sergeant Metz.

Sophomore Class Committee Miss Shelley, chairman ; Miss Hayden, Miss Grube.

Stage and Screen Committee

Mr. King, chairman; Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Piefert, Mr. Spring.

Student Council Committee Miss Lilly, chairman; Mias Guffin, Mr. Cutting.

Victory Corps Committee Miss Cannon, chairman; Miss Lilly, Miss Maddox.

War Bonds Committee Miss Card, chairman; Miss Gales, Miss Beck.

# Speedy Knights Victors in First League Game

Led by speedy Kent Evans, the Southeast Knights opened league play with a 12-0 victory over the Westport Tigers Saturday night at Ruppert Stadium.

After receiving the opening kickoff, the Knights started a drive which ended with Evans going through the center of the line for a touchdown. The try for the conversion was low and wide.

As the second period opened a hard fighting Tiger eleven, led by Carras and Higgins, fought into Southeast territory only to be stopped by a penalty.

At the start of the second half an aerial attack on both ends was thwarted when an attempted pass, Higgins to Meyers, was inter-cepted by Sagaser, Knight halfback, who ran 50 yards to the Tiger 5-yard line. Kent ran the next play for another touchdown. Again the kick failed.

Southeast threatened again in the fourth quarter, advancing the ball to the Tiger 4-inch line, only to be stopped by brilliant Tiger lineplay. Next Friday night, the Tigers play

their second league game against the strong East Bears, 12-6 victors over Southwest.

The starting lineups:				
Score by guartera:				
Westport.	0	0	0	0
Southeast	6	0	6	0 - 12

## Intramurals

The gym department has added to its equipment a weight-lifting room consisting of a barbell, which can be made to weigh 113 pounds, a chest lift of 71 pounds and a body bag, a speed bag and a double end bag, which have been ordered but have not arrived vet.

The opening of the touch football intramurals scheduled for Friday, Oct. 1, was postponed on account of bad weather but will be started sometime this week. Games will be held every Friday and one other day, to be decided on later.

Bob O'Brien and Bob Gershon have found a way to get out of Mr. Shepherd's gym class. Every day, fifth hour, they may be seen playing tennis on the Gillham courts.

Miss Hatch, counselor, Miess Shelley, Mrs. Marshall, supervisor of community co--ordinators, and Sallie Morehead, Westport's community co-ordinator, were guests at the Parent-Teacher luncheon and board meeting, September 22, at the home of Mrs. E. T. Tengdin. Miss Morehead is a graduate of Westport. The P.-T. A. hopes to have two teachers at each luncheon during the coming year. The October meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Allen Rush, 3838 Harrison street.

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#### AWARD WINNERS N GIRLS SPORTS GET NEW INSIGNIA

A new intramural letter for girls' sports has introduced this year is popular with all the girls. It is a six-inch block "W" of navy chenille on gold felt. Gold insignia are sewed on when a girl receives an All-Star rating in or is manager of any sport. Symbols such as crossed hockey sticks for hockey and a tennis racquet for tennis are used.

are used.
Letters will be awarded as follows: Seniors, Nancy Barnes, Edla Carison, Mary Carples, Jackie Dunlap, Jean Fleek, Ann. Gil-liat, Betty Golding, Gail Goodrich, Paula Julius, Betty Kanally, Norma Kindsvater, Gladys Miller, Josephine Miller, Betty Lou Rea, Gloria Sackman, Marguerite Sherman and Beverly Van Bibber.
Juniors, Donna Ashlock, Constance Barry, Helen Beeker, Shirley Bertram, Audrey Brann, Bette Bright, Jane Bucher, Virginia Church, Norma Dehmer, Virginia Dobbe, Jeanne Endres, Shirley Engelhardt, Gwen Fry, Betty Genn, Chairmaine Gile, Betty Hazen, Joan Hood, Virginia Johnson, Betty Kennah, Josephine Kennedy, Doris Kimble, Doris Klein, Margaret Liddle, Catherine McKim, Donna Mueller, Mary A. Nelson, Phyllis Newman, Reginn Nichols, Marion Norman, Virginia Lee North, Ruth O'Bester, Betty Osborn, Eloige Rhodes, Helen Root, Joicie Rule, Martha Sharpsteen, June Smith, Helen Spencer, Railyn Spindel, Margie Stauffer, Merres Starbuck, Deborah Stein, Lois Stilwell, Barbara Taff, Marlys Watters, Frances Wiggins and Gwen Wilson.

The hockey tournament began October 4 with a favorable turnout for both juniors and seniors. Captains of the teams are Jean Fleck, Betty Taff,

#### TIGERS BEATEN IN CLOSE PRE-SEASON BATTLE

Experience proved the vital factor in Westport's 7-0 loss to Rosedale in the opening game September 25. Weak in blocking and tackling, the Tigers showed on'y such defects as practice can overcome. Coach G. V. Bourrette even in defeat found several bright spots, which give hope for the remaining games on the schedule.

King's punting kept the ball much of the time in Rosedale territory. The passing of Higgins and ball-carrying of Carras, co-captains, were threats for a Westport score. Excitement was provided when Dick Cox ran back a punt. On the line the work of Schwen-gerdt, right tackle, and Bill Fagens is deserving of special mention.

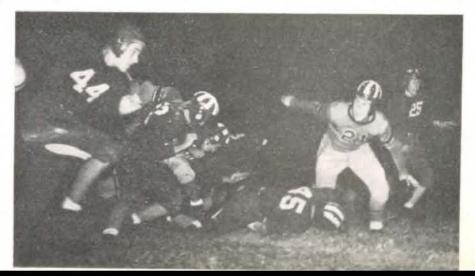
Martha Sharpsteen and Margaret Liddle. Miss Jones conducts a class in life saving at Junior College every Wednesday after school. The fall tennis tournament has

reached the semi-finals in the doubles and the quarter-finals in the singles.

Much new equipment has been added to the girls' gym in the form of hockey sticks, hockey balls, shin-guards, table tennis and aerial dart equipment, baseballs, baseball bats, a catcher's mask, and several large boxes of tennis balls.

### Fans and Gridsters in Action





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# First Photos Taken for Herald Senior Panels

Collection of fees to cover the cost of publishing the pictures of seniors in the 1944 Herald started Monday. Members of the newswriting class will be stationed in the front corridor near room 110 every day before and after school to receive the money and issue receipts. The fee is \$2.

The receipts must be delivered to the photographer when pictures are taken. The studio at 3937 Main street is open from 9:30 o'clock to 5 except on Thursday and Saturday when the hours are 9:30 to 9. Evening appointments can be arranged on other days for students who are em-ployed in the afternoon.

Individual pictures of seniors, taken from the Herald, are attached to the permanent record cards of graduates. Mr. Holloway finds these invaluable when he refers to the records in writing recommendations or replying to inquiries from prospective employers. Hundreds of such requests are received every year.

"I can make a much more definite and convincing statement about a former student when I have his picture before me because I can recall him more clearly," the principal said Fri-day. "A senior who neglects to have his picture taken may be passing up a chance to get a satisfactory recom-mendation."

All public elementary and secondary schools and colleges will be closed tomorrow and Friday to enable pupils and teachers to assist in distributing War Ration Book 4 on these days and on Saturday. Ration books will be issued from all the elementary schools, the R. T. Coles vocational and junior high school, and Junior and Teachers College Thursday and Friday from 9 in the morning until 8 at night, and on Saturdays from 9 through 5.

Boosting Community Fund Drive



Girl of the Week



MARILYN HAGGARD Chairman, War Stamp Council Story on Page

## Council Picks Douglas Humphreys

Douglas Humphreys, a junior, was the choice of the student council for president in the organization meeting. He is a high ranking student, won a letter as a member of last year's second football team and is prominent in the speech department.

Marjorie Stauffer, a senior, unani-mously elected vice president, is a member of Pundit and is active in girls sports. Joe Fichter, the new secretary, holds offices in the Clay and Speech Arts clubs and is a Hi-Y member. Edla Carlson, Pundit president, Clay queen and tennis star, was elected treasurer.

Executive board members:

Seniors, Norma Kindsvater, Bob Webb, Barbara Pollard.

Juniors, Robert Bevan,, Bill Franke, Elizabeth Davis, Josephine Kennedy. Sophomores, Gustava Swanson, Alva

Collins, Pat White, Joyce Daniels. Freshmen, Arthur Hanson, Richard

Stewart, Peggye Thompson, Carlyn Sanders.

Representatives of the home rooms are named first and alternates second

in the following list: Room 1, Ted Foote, Bill Atwood; room 2, Dick Fristoe, Bob Sturgeon; room 7, Joe Fichter, Howard Oakes; room 9, Richard Stewart, Clarence (Continued on Page 6)

# Westport Groups in War Chest Parade

The Westport Battalion had the honor of leading the "March of the Allies" in the parade for the benefit of the Community Chest Fund last Saturday. Many cadets who were employed gave up their time to help insure the success of the drive. Members of the Victory Art Work-

shop were busy all last week drawing and painting the posters used to decorate a Manor Bakery truck for the Community Chest parade Saturday. The sides of the truck were covered with pictures of round-cheeked, healthy boys and girls drinking milk.

Some of the students who helped with the decoration of the truck were Maxine Taylor, Betty Bopp, Jo Ann Carlson, Carolyn Fitzgerald, Pat Taylor, Carlotta Taylor, Richard Galitzky and Jean Suffill.

Led by Glenn Todd the Westport band was a high point of the parade.

Holding aloft placards bearing the names of twenty Latin American countries and the flags of Pan American allies, a group of pupils in the Spanish classes comprised a colorful section of the parade. Bill Atwood marched ahead with a banner inscribed with the words "American Allies" and at the rear Clay Campbell carried a flag labeled "Pan-American."

The students who participated in the parade:

Gail Goodrich, Rosemary Crowder, Jane Balfour, Patricia Walz, Darlene Copeland, Emma Schuler, Barbara Young, Verna Murfin, Josephine Miller, Jeanne Whitney, Betty Taff, Norma Kindsvater, Gloria Sackman, Shirley Elliott, Paula Ruth Julius, Barbara Tuff, Dorothy Edwards, Mary Lou Hindman. Barbara Golden and Betty Bedford. Ethel Mae Craig acted as marshal.

### War Chest Dollars Circle Globe

Your War Chest dollar circles the globe.

It is furnishing the life-restoring sulfa drug to the wounded American soldier somewhere in the South Pacific. In Italy, a group of servicemen are enjoying "home away from home" through the refreshing shower, the good book, the welcome bit of mending, and the few hours of relaxation your gifts have furnished for their U.S.O. canteen. In Greece, where only one baby out of eight born in 1940 is alive today, your War Chest contribution is traveling aboard one of the eight Mercy ships that provide 15,000 tons of food and medical supplies monthly. In London, where only one in five homes is standing today, your dollar, traveling in one of the 941 mobile kitchens, is a welcome sight to the hungry, and sometimes homeless populace. Each donation buys new hope for the forty million Russians who have been driven from their homes by the Nazi war machine. For the fourteen health agencies here at home, the War Chest dollar is ammunition for the battle against poverty and disease, an opponent as dangerous as any German submarine. For 1700 orphans here in Kansas City,, your contributions bring insurance of happiness.

Giving is fighting this year! Can you deny these people your aid?

### Movie Patrons Complain About "School Kids"

Complaints concerning the conduct of boys and girls of high school age in neighborhood theaters, particularly on Friday and Saturday nights, indicate that the juvenile problem still is unsolved.

The very best that can be said for the young people concerned is that they show a remarkable lack of consideration for the feelings of the patrons who desire to see and hear the show without annoyance. Loud-voiced conversations and needless commotion are not appreciated by the audience. Quite the contrary, it probably leads to the speculation on their part as to the quality of breeding possessed by the loud-mouthed, inconsiderate individuals who are cheating them out of what they paid for, the privilege of enjoying themselves in comfort.

We sincerely hope that the many uncomplimentary things that have been said about "those confounded school kids" never have been rightly aimed at any member of the Westport student body.

# It Sez Here

Happy Halloween! or words to that effect,

Dotty Andrews was limpin' around school last week because she tried to perfect some of those gym exercises at home! Better luck next time. Helen Dodds has her heart in the wrong place. Ayway, the little pin that's

supposed to be over her heart was seen on her sweater band last week - - speakin' of hearts, Margie Walthall has declared all out war on these boys who insist on reading her "strictly private" mail.

The groups of boys that have been sitting around the cafeteria diligently figuring, are just trying to think up something to do Hallowe'en week-end on 1 A coupon, \$2, and a brand-new resolution to be "non-destructive."

The annual Pundit tea came off with the annual shower of the gals finery and also the annual appreciation by "Westport's Wolves." Now for this week's Platter pratter: "Blue Rain" seems to have left some

of the more level headed of our group starry-eyed: also Sinatra's rendition of "Close to You." Mr. Crosby still holds top place with the old favorites, "Sun-day, Monday or Always" and "If You Please."

We hasten to straighten out a misunderstanding which certain cadets are laboring under; the J. H. in Sergeant Metz's title does not stand for Jeremiah Horatio. Or at least that's what it sez here.

With the election of society queens in mind the fair sex about our corridor have been powdering their noses more often and polishing their personalities which they hope will shine instead of their noses.

Because of circumstances beyond our control (namely, the flash-bulb and film shortage) we will be unable to obtain all of their pictures when they strike up the glamour pose.

"Maudie has a feller" or at least that's what Maudie says. "Zoot Suit" Kirkland, we notice, has changed greatly. He now wears an ROTC uniform three times a week.

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Hallewe'en

Mounted upon her magic broom, the old witch rides across the moon, her cackling laugh floating on the wind. The hoots of the owl echo mournfully through the trees. The big black cat curves his back and walks the picket fence, shooting fire from his eyes. Jack-o-lantern, with his face aglow, smiles upon the passer-by from his window seat. Bats from the church belfry mingle with the weird creatures that make merry in the dark corners of the earth.

Shadowy forms are seen; eeire sounds are heard, and ghostly apparitions come and go. Shivers go up and down the spine as queer things hap-pen all about. That it is Haloween there is no doubt. Spirits roam at will and meek folk stay at home. So beware, the ghosts will walk on Hallowe'en, the cats will yowl, bats will fly, jack-o-lanterns will smile, "but the goblins will git you if you don't watch out."

#### SENIORS

This year we reach the favored place And think that we have won the race. We feel we are important, too-

Most any thing we now can do.

We're only seniors once, you know, And that's the time when we should crow.

That school will close is our great fear When we check out in June next year. We walk the halls and write the news Why can't we do the things we choose?

For we are SENIORS, short and tall 'Tis our last fling in Westport's hall. -E. K.S.

Faculty members and many students noted with interest the advancement of Admiral Harold D. Train, former Director of Naval Intelligence, to the command of the Panama Sea Frontier. After searching through old records and conferring with the older teachers it was found that Admiral Train was a Westport student in 1905 and that Mr. Shaw and the late A. O. Bigney helped prepare him for Annapolis.

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# Army-Navy Tests to be Given November 9

All qualified students are urged to take the second Qualifying Test for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program U-12 which will be given throughout the country on Tuesday, November 9.

Students between the ages of 17 and 21 inclusive who are recent high school graduates or who will be graduated by March 1, 1944 are eligible. Intention of taking the test should be made known immediately in order that the necessary test supplies may be ordered.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training. At the time of the test each candidate will be given a choice of service preference, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

The Army Specialized Training program and the Navy College program enable students to continue academic training at government expense following induction into the armed services. Successful completion of the prescribed courses, followed by further officer training, may lead to a commission in the Army or Navy.

After further screening and basic military training, those selected for the Army will be sent to co.lege. Students chosen for the Navy Program, after selection by the Office of Naval Officer Procurements, will be detailed directly to college.

Students who attend college under either of the programs will be under military discipline on active duty in uniform with pay. All expenses, including tuition, food, housing, books and uniforms will be paid by the Army or the Navy.

#### 400 MUSIC PUPILS TAKE SEASHORE TALENT TESTS

Mr. Spring just has finished giving the Seashore Music Talent Tests to 400 pupils in the vocal music department.

These tests measure in an objective way a pupil's ability to distinguish differences in pitch, loudness, quality of tones, length of notes, and rhythmic and melodic patterns. They indicate inherent talents along certain lines of musical requirements.

Twenty of the students have done particularly well on these tests. Marian Clement tops the list with a first rating in all of the six tests. The others are Marjorie Walthall, Helen McCalla, Adelle Jackson, Dorothea Wells, June Smith, Tom Doty, Edsell Cantwell, Burton Delmar, Jane Bucher, Natalie Stromwaser, Helen Frances Spencer, Marguerite Sherman,, Robert Shelton, Martha Ann Rush, Paulene Ruf, Mary Jane Mc-Cord, Morley Hamilton and Genevieve Heisterberg.

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# Under the Clock

Bob Gershon really has friends. He brought one to his first hour class the other day but all said friend would say was "bow-wow."

Pat Hunt, a freshman, says the thing she likes best about Westport is the courtesy and respect shown the freshmen by the upper-classmen.

Wanted: Intelligent-looking boys, ages 10 to 20, with some knowledge of Spanish. No experience necessary. Wonderful opportunities for advancement. Apply 5 minutes before first hour in room 317, or see Betty Taff any hour of the day.

According to an American history teacher there are two main reasons for passing his tests: "First, to save your pride; second, to save your hide."

Instead of biting her fingernails, Juanita Coy applies fingernail polish and then peels it off.

Dee Horner's chief topic of conversation lately has been "Hamburgers and their Disadvantages."

Jane Riche wishes her pals would stop calling her "Queenie." Uninformed persons who don't know she's the Pundit Beauty Queen may get the wrong impression.

Some pupils were amazed, others were insulted, when Mr. Van Horne compared his first hour typing class to a herd of young pigs getting their feed.

Although Rosemarie Purdom sings "Sunday, Monday, or Always" quite beautifully, we really prefer to hear a different version.

Marilyn Sejnost just can't figure out why people go around calling her D.S. when they know perfectly well her initials are M. S.

Lost: One small leather bag (handbag) containing a tube of lipstick, comb, pancake make-up, some bobby pins, two pencils, small notebook, a pair of gym socks, eyebrow pencil, compact, one car token and six mills, a PERSONAL letter, bottle of nail polish, four safety pins and a blue hair ribbon. If found please call We 0590. I'm blonde, 5 foot 4, have brown eyes and am considered a good dancer.

Miss Bechtel's fifth hour human science class was quite dumb-founded while taking their audiometer test when Miss Burke asked all those who were absent to raise their hands.

We wonder why Ginny McFarland always is the last monitor back from carrying homeroom notices.

Miss Card is having a hard time trying to convince her bookkeeping students that it just isn't possible to spend more money than they have. After Sheryl Holland threatened she would resort to making speeches and reading poems if the students didn't buy War Stamps, room 305 reported a 100 per cent sale.

When Miss Card, bookkeeping teacher, asked her sixth hour class what C.P.A. meant; Jack Carr among others roared in unison,—"Civilian Air Patrol." C.P.A. means Certified Public Accountant.

What was that cheer we heard at the Westport-Southeast game? It sounded like yah, Frank! Yeh, Sinatra! Yeh, Yeh, Frank Sinatra." Since when did he play football for Westport?

One of Mr. Bourrette's favorite slogans is "Act your age, but don't crawl."

Whoever said that talking to yourself is an indication of feeble-mindedness was wrong. Perfectly normal girls in second-year shorthand address letters to themselves.

Rose Marie Purdom recently spent an entire hour typing an English assignment which she admits would have taken her only fifteen minutes to write in longhand.

Although appearances have nothing to do with it, Paula Ruth Julius reminds Miss Bechtel of pumpkin pie!

When a sailor walked into the typing room recently and winked at her, Bernadine Heinrich's heart missed a beat, and her fingers missed the keys. "It was worth it," says Bernadine.

Was it love or merely excitement over the touchdown that made Mr. Bourrette kiss Mr. Sloan after the kick which tied the score at the East game?

Although Shirley Mackey tries awfully hard, we're afraid she'll never be a professional football player!

Some prominent Clays are rather bewildered by the outcome of their beauty queen election this year. It seems they had it planned otherwise.

According to a statement made in a history class last week Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., is taking Orson Welles' place as Undersecretary of State.

Bright remark heard when the phone rang in Miss Eggleseton's room: "Eggleston's Tavern. Miss Eggleston speaking."

The newest project in Miss Shelley's seventh hour Spanish class is to translate "Pistol Packing Mama" into Spanish.

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# Parents Invited to Annual Open House

Climaxing American Education week, November 7-13, will be the annual open house held in all high schools Tuesday evening, November 9. Teachers will be in their rooms to receive parents at 7:30 o'clock. Exhibits of students' work will be on display in the shops, the art rooms, the home economic rooms, the laboratories, and in some of the other class rooms. Because this is the only time teachers are able to meet parents in a social way, the instructors hope for a large attendance of fathers and mothers.

"Education for Victory," the general theme of Education week, is a vital purpose of high schools today. Many students' programs have been altered to meet pre-induction needs, and physical fitness programs. A large number of the pupils have participated in scrap and bond drives, and all the students are doing their part in stamp sales conducted at the school. Many aided in the rationing services.

The classrooms have undertaken to develop world understanding and to stimulate thinking in regard to the urgent need of winning the peace after the war. In the schoolroom and in outside school activities, Westporters are more than ever learning the give and take of wartime citizenship.

#### HARLAN GIVES INSPIRING TALK IN COLUMBUS DAY ASSEMBLY

Highlights of the assembly held October 12 to commemorate Columbus day were an inspiring address by H. Harry Harlan, executive secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and a program of popular songs rendered by the boys glee club, followed by community singing.

In a 20-minute talk Mr. Harlan impressed upon his hearers the deep spiritual importance of patriotism, school loyalty and friendship. To illustrate his points he recounted many telling incidents relating to his long experience with young people.

experience with young people. Ed Davis chairman, introduced Douglas Humphreys who read Frank Crane's "Respect for the Flag." Tom Doty and Joe Fichter led the students in reciting the pledge to the flag. Mr. Harlan was introduced by Dick Fristoe, Hi-Y president.

#### Start Membership Drive

The membership campaign was launched at the first meeting of the Girl Reserves, Wednesday, October 14. Memberships will be indicated by a poster in the front hall showing two dolls. For each new member, a paper curl will be added to one of the dolls. The girls represented on the doll with the fewest curls will give a party for those with the most. Group singing was led at the meeting by Paula Ruth Julius and Marybelle Wright. After the worship service, led by Donna Rapier, Miss Hatch, counselor, spoke on the early days of the GR's. Miss Durborow is the new sponsor this year.

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## Council Officers and All-City President



Left to right, Fichter, Carlson, Talcroft, Humphreys, Stauffer

### Stuart Talcroft Picked to Head All-City Council

Stuart Talcroft, president of Clay, cheerleader and a Speech Arts officer, was elected president of the All-City Student Council at the first meeting held last Wednesday. Roger Yost of Paseo was chosen vice president and Beverly Hammer, Central, secretary.

Dr. Hayes Richardson, city Welfare director, complimented high school students for their excellent conduct last year during Hallowe'en week and expressed the hope that they would merit the same commendation this year. He suggested community parties or dances as substitutes for outbreaks of destructive vandalism.

Dr. Hunt spoke briefly, reminding the delegates of their responsibilities.

J. G. Bryan, director of secondary education, outlined the plans for the distribution of ration book number 4, saying that the aid of 1,000 student volunteers will be needed.

#### Victory Corps Aids in Issuing New Ration Books

The first important job of the Victory Corps this year will be to assist the members of the faculty in issuing War Ration Book Number 4, on October 21, 22, and 23. Each teacher will serve sixteen hours, and each student is expected to serve at least four hours.

Miss Cannon, sponsor, has suggested that we think of "Corps" in term of "Core," which means "Heart." Using this interpretation, anyone who puts his heart into any kind of war service is eligible for membership. Many students are active in contributing their services to the war effort, so that already progress is being made in the Victory Corps.

As all students who joined last year will automatically become members again this year, most of the new members will be from the freshman class and new students. Membership cards will be distributed soon through the home rooms.

#### Fifty-nine Pupils Win High Scholastic Honors

Fifty-nine pupils named in the honor roll for last semester are eligible for membership in the Wespert Honor Society. Twenty-five of these have earned the right to wear silver pins. They are:

They are: Nancy Barnes, Bertha Boresow, Ethelmae Craig, Edward Davis, Doris Frank, Richard Fristoe, Stanford Gilgus, Gail Goodrich, Mary Lou Hindman, Tressa Kimble, Annette Mc-Ewen, Josephine B. Miller, Betty Minier, Verna Murfin, Lois Pendleton, Donna Faye Rapier, Frank Schroeder, Emma Schuler, Robert Shelton, Jean Suffill, Betty Taff, Stuart Talcroft, Danny Tropp, Jeanne Whitney, Barbara Lee Young, Marian Pugh. The following are entitled to bronze

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pins: Sophia Barash, Bettie Bedford, Robert Bevan, Helen Bullock, Charlotte Canfield, Gile Judith Hadas, Marilyn Haggard, Frances Grace Davis, Beverly Engelhardt, Charmaine Hahn, Sammy Hall, Annamaria Hersberg, Clyde B. Hood, James Howard, Dorothy Hubbard, Delores Hunter, Annabel Hurley, Ralph Kron, George Landes, Deborah Lang, Phyllis Larson, Ruth Lentz, Leah Levin, Jeanette Luhnow, Marcel Matson, Ruth Matson, Louise Nelson, Virginia Palmer, Mary E. Parry, Margie Stauffer, Jack Vinson, Stewart Wagner, Wilma Westerdahl.

Silver pins are awarded students who have made the honor roll four times. To wear a bronze pin a pupil must have his name on the honor roll twice in succession.

#### Chinese Painter Gets Idea for Title of Picture from Art Pupils

Pupils in both of the seventh hour art classes visited the Art Gallery recently to watch Professor Chang Shu-Chi at work on several of his paintings. Professor Chang is head of the Fine Arts of The National Central University, Chungking, China.

The subject of one of his pictures was not revealed until the final stroke was added. "Oh gee," "oh gosh," the pupils exclaimed when the painting was finished, so Professor Chang entitled it "Oh Gee, Oh Gosh."

The class now is working on the same type of pictures and acceptable specimens will be exhibited at the gallery.

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### Marilyn Haggard Heads War Stamp Council

Marilyn Haggard was elected president of the War Stamp Council last week Tuesday and Jane Balfour, vice president. Other officers will be elected at a later date.

Reports of home room representatives revealed that four home rooms have received 100 per cent placards. They are 109, Miss Maddox; 1, Mr. Shepherd; 209, Miss Gales, and 119, Miss Lash.

Miss Gales, faculty sponsor, stressed the importance of having each home room represented at the meetings of the council.

Comparisons with last year's stamp sales show that Westport is not living up to its tradition of supporting every school enterprise to the fullest extent. Seventy-two per cent of the students paid \$722.45 for war stamps October 6 while last week's sales totaled only \$519.50 with 70 per cent participation.

"We always have stood at the top, an honor of which we are proud," said Miss Gales. "Last year we were one of the leading schools not only in Kansas City but also in the United States. We must rally, and give everything, now that victory is in sight.

"To receive the blue minute man flag we must make 90 per cent, and this is a long way from 70 per cent. Let us show everyone that Westport is doing everything possible to speed up our day of victory."

#### Activity Ticket Sales Near All-time High Record

Last-minute purchases of activity tickets last Friday, the deadline date for the homeroom sales, almost boosted the campaign total to the all time high reached ten years ago when more than 1,000 tickets were sold. The present figure is 996.

Although the home room sale has closed tickets still may be purchased from Mr. Shearer in room 309.

"The activity ticket remains the season's best buy even though half of the football games have been played," Mr. Shearer remarked when the home room reports were compiled Friday. "Every purchaser is entiled to the remaining issues of The Crier, admission to the plays and all basketball games and a copy of the annual. These items total almost \$8 but an activity ticket holder can get everything for \$3.50."

The police department warns bicycle riders to padlock their bicycles. Since the beginning of the year 472 bicycles have been reported stolen, and 348 have been recovered. Owners of bicycles are requested to obtain license tags from the police department to aid in identifying stolen bicycles.

Phyllis Tengdin, '41, after completing her freshman and sophomore years at Junior College, is attending the University of Oklahoma.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

# Up and Down the Corridors

Pupils in Mr. Bourrette's homeroom have solved the problem of keeping their pens filled. Mr. Bourrette recently collected pennies from the members of the class and purchased two bottles of ink, one blue and the other black. If more homerooms adopted this plan it would eliminate the necessity of carrying ink around to classes, which is a violation of the rules of the Board of Education.

Miss Keeler's advanced speech classes have been working with patriotic selections from "My Land of Liberty" and soon will study a patriotic drama, "Nathan Hale," by Clyde Fitch. The beginning classes have started their poetry work, which includes famous poems and impromptu tone drills.

Mr. Shearer is co-author of "Elementary Meteorology," a text now being used by all branches of the armed forces. This text includes several chapters taken from "The Earth and its Resources," the book now being used by our classes in physical geography.

Dolores Roller is typing lists of Westport men and women in service for the bulletin board being prepared by the art classes.

Katheryne Martin is student secretary for Miss Totten, fifth hour.

Girls in Miss Moulton's first year sewing classes visited Edna Marie Dunn's School of Fashion. Her colorful school is located in a converted garage at 3820 Main street. Miss Dunn, who sketches clothing for the Kansas City Star, spoke on sewing for career girls and displayed a short formal dinner dress with matching gloves from Swanson's which is used as an illustration for drawing. The students examined the half-size models on which Miss Dunn's pupils work out their patterns.

Betty Ruth Beets, '42, now Mrs. Robert E. Butler, is the mother of a baby girl named Barbara Ann.

Jean La Turin and Barbara Owen were hospital aids during the summer at the Research Hospital. Girls are needed at the hospitals on Saturdays and Sundays, they report, to release nurses for more important work.

Pupils in Miss Durboraw's first year clothing classes are making dresses for underprivileged girls and for small children in their own families.

F. N. Banister is instructor of a class in engineering drawing in the Junior College night school. Its students are employees of the Pratt-Whitney and North American aircraft companies. In the group are a few expert Japanese-American draftsmen.

Mr. Means and Mr. Keenan each has a son who is an army pilot. "I would like to say right here and now, Mr. Van Horne, that typing and shorthand were the two most valuable courses I ever took, either in high school or in junior college," wrote Bernell Tucker, '41, in a recent letter to Mr. Van Horne. Bernell, who was on the first state championship shorthand team in his senior year, now is a corporal at the Fort Warren Quartermaster Unit Training Center, near Cheyenne, Wyo.

Mack Berry, who was a sophomore here last year, is attending Shawnee Mission high school where he is majoring in agriculture.

Laura Mae Walton, who completed her sophomore year here, now is a student at Paseo.

Anna Marie Hinkley, '43, spent most of the summer at a camp in Rangley, Me. She also visited Boston, Chicago and Keokuk, Ia. Now she is working at T.W.A. and attending night school at the University of Kansas City.

Bill O'Brien, '43, is working at North American Bomber Plant.

Mary Collins, '43, now attending Stephens College was home recently to attend the funeral services of her cousin Lieut. Kathleen Cheney, a WAC, who was murdered in South Dakota.

Miss James' first year cooking classes have been studying how to make better bread, muffins and biscuits. After baking muffins, they analyzed what they could have done to make a better batter. Their experience with muffins enabled them to bake better cinnamon bread.

Richard Beitling's latest cartoon, displayed on the blackboard in Miss Eggleston's room, featured "Stuart Talcroft's" election as president of the all-city student council.

Jean Suffill, former secretary of the Jules Guerin art club resigned her office because she is also secretary of Pundit.

Charlotte Bobrecker, '43, visited the school last Wednesday. She will enter the University of Michigan this week.

The following officers have been elected in Miss Hayden's classes:

Hour 2, Mary Lou McFarland, chairman; James McCelland, secretary; hour 7, George Reasor, chairman; Harold Barash, secretary; hour 6, Tom Elliot, chairman; Bill Bowe, secretary; hour 7, George Reasor, chairman, Patricia Ann White, secretary.

Gloria Dana, '42, now is a sophomore at the University of Illinois.

Mary Whitnell is attending Lindenwood College.

# Among our Servicemen

Layton Culbertson, '39, is stationed at Fort Riley.

Calvin Culbertson, '42, is studying aviation radio at the Navy Air Corps base in Memphis.

John Ferguson and Richard Foster, both '40, are stationed at Farragut, Id.

Robert E. Dean, '40, a Marine, is somewhere in the Southwest Pacific.

Richard Roe, '40, is in an army camp in California.

Jack Booth, '41, has been transferred from Kelly Field to Muskogee where he is continuing his training as an aviation cadet.

Ellen Ruth Seacat, '37, is in the WAC.

Sgt. Robert O. Garrett, '31, Medical Corps, and Hubert Dille, jr., '31, Air Corps, are in England.

Dean Graves is a seaman second class at Port Hueneme, Cal.

Cadet Gordon A. Crowe, ASGP, '40, is taking a course in engineering at the University of Indiana.

Recent vistors were Fred Henderson, '42, USNTS, Farragut, Ida., and William J. Crews, '42, ASGP, University of Missouri, and Frank Eaton, '40, now stationed at the Alabama Polytechniccal Institute, United States Army.

Fred Stern, '41, Army radio operator stationed at Scott Field, Ill., spoke before Mr. Van Horne's fourth hour typing class recently. He told of his experiences in the army, as well as the use he has made of his commercial training.

Bill Longmoor, '42, has entered the officers training school, Ft. Benning, Ga.

Aviation cadet Laurence Abbott, '38, is stationed at Douglas, Ga.

Max Casler, '43, voted "Boy who has done most for Westport" by last year's seniors, is in the Army Air Corps, and is stationed at Keesler Field, Miss.

David Young, '43, left October 9 for the Navy.

Fred Johnston, a former student, has been assigned to the U.S.S. Harley on the west coast.

Sam Hocker, '43, now at Fort Knox in the motorized division, is preparing to join the paratroopers.

Nelson Schupan, '38, P. F. C. is serving with the Medical Corps in the South Pacific area.

Ten second lieutenants and twentytwo non-commissioned cadet officers were named as follows in the promotion list published October 12:

Second lieutenants, Lester Brackenbury, Robert Ferber, Richard Fristoe, Marion Hammond, George Kirkland, Howard Oakes, Robert O Dwyer, Rob-ert Shelton, Lindy Pennington, William Sexton.

Staff sergeants, Charles Ferm, R.chard Ross.

Sergeants, Fred Heim, Ralph Kron, Jack Morton, Richard Posh, Robert Spencer, Edward Zsido.

Corporals, Richard Beitling, Newton Campbell, Edward Franke, Jack Hedger, David Hochberg, Clyde Hood, Roy Lund, Richard Marsh, George Nitchy, George Reasor, John Shipe, Calvin Smith, Morton Sutton, Donavan Wilkinson.

Col. E. W. Bondy attended the battalion parade October 11.

All cadets firing 160 or above with the .22 calibre rifle will be awarded a marksmanship ribbon this year.

The plan of awarding the best company of the week with the title "Crack Company of the Week" will be resumed this year. The best company will be allowed to display a streamer inscribed "Crack Company" on their guidon for the following week.

An officers rating chart is being kept by Sergeant Metz so he may rate all officers and acting officers as to leadership on the drill field and in the classroom, military bearing, forcefulness, loyalty, and cooperation. This chart will be used in choosing officers for further promotion.

Cadet officers now are permitted to wear as insignia the crossed rifles of the regular army infantry although the ROTC crossed rifles are acceptable.

Mrs. Harry Evans was elected commander of the Westport Mother's Military Auxiliary at the first meeting held October 5. Other officers are Mrs. R. E. O'Dwyer, adjutant; Mrs. Roy E. Lund, supply officer; Mrs. W. C. McEwen, tinance officer; Mrs. Roe Spencer, public relations officer. The Auxiliary meets the first Tuesday of each month at 3 o'clock in room 4. All mothers of R.O.T.C. boys are eligible for membership and are invited to attend. Dues are 10 cents a year.

The Auto club is thought to be misnamed. This club wants to meet the desires of the students. The question is, what do the students of Westport want? All that the members ask is an opportunity to serve the student body. Everyone is invited to the meet-ing on October 27 to learn about some of the suggested changes in the club's plans for the future.

#### Council Representatives On The Firing Line

(Continued from Page 1) Spillers; Aud., Jerome Mandl, Frances Nekuda; room 104, Bernadine Heinrich, Anne Nafe; room 106, Pat Walz, Meydelle Seeling; room 107, Lloyd Thomas, Marianne Jones; room 109, Lauretta Comi, Charles Cohen; room 110, Richard Perkins, Frances Dim-mitt; room 114, Bill Franke, Eugene Lund; room 115, Bob O'Dwyer, Ralph Kron; room 116, Bob O Dwyer, Raph Kron; room 116, Charles Frizzel, Gloria Sackman; room 117, Stuart Talcroft, Charles Ferm; room 118, Doxiene Cambron, Dick Kniseley; room 119, Delores Hunter, Robert Landes; room 120, Bruce Buddemeyer, Newton Campbell; room 201, Phyllis Ahl, Marian Pugh; room 204, Bob Webb, Joedan Saunders; room 206, Peggy Cook, Don Cross; room 207, Jack West, Jeanine Allen; room 208, Arthur Hanson, Elaine Davis; room 211, Elaine Worcester, Marion Wil-son; room 212, Jeanette Mallin, Gustava Swanson; room 213, Deborah Stein, Elizabeth Davis, Juanita Coy; room 215, Robert Bevan, George Reasor; room 216, Alva Collins, Geraldine Brown; room 217, Barbara Pol-lard, Beverly Van Bibber; room 218, Jesse Yancey, Laura Warner; room 219, Bob Chaffer, Lillian Riche; room 220, Frances Brown, Charles Carter; room 223, Edla Carlson, Marilyn Mc-Henry; room 303, Peggy Thompson, Marilyn Tidd; room 305, Douglas Humphreys, Richard Ross; room 306, Miska Buffington, Phyllis Baird; room 309, Margie Stauffer, Alice Whipple; room 310, Tom Sholitzky, Don Butler.

Joicie Rule Wins First Prize in Speech Bureau Contest

Joicie Rule, winner in the Speaker Bureau contest held last Thursday, was awarded \$2 in war stamps as first prize. Second place winner was Tom Doty, and Evelyn Stout placed third. Each received a 50c war stamp as a prize.

Other speakers were Frank Allison, Douglas Humphreys, Rita Terry, Sheryl Holland, Dolores Roller, Marguerite Ahern, Annabel Hurley and Barbara Owen. All of these passed the preliminaries October 6 in which twenty-five members of the speech department participated.

Judges of the finals were Miss Wheeler, Miss Burke and Miss Keeler.

The Westport Science club, for-merly the B. C. P. club, has chosen Frank Schroeder, president; Robert Newman, vice president and program chairman, and Dan Dermott, secretary. Meetings will be held every four weeks with Mr. Shearer in charge of the next meeting.

Officers elected in Miss Gales's second hour speech class are Bill Harte, president; Reed Murray, vice president; Virginia Lee North, secretary; Lou Colbert, treasurer; Ken-neth Britt, sergeant-at-arms; Lauretta Comi, student council representative; Charles Cohen, alternate; Carlotta Taylor, hostess; Edward Zsido, host.

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# 70 Pupils in Choir; 66 in Girls Glee Club

Seventy pupils are members of the A Cappella Choir and fifty-six are enrolled in the girls glee club. Although no definite date has been set for their first concert, one is expected sometime in early November.

#### A Cappela Choir:

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Girls glee club:

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#### Civics Classes Hold Elections

Mr. Means' freshman civics classes have elected class officers. They are, hour 1, Doxiene Cambron, president; Harry Van Trees, vice president; Jack Sevier, recording secretary; Beverly Wheeler, attendance secretary; Milton Hormany, treasurer; Lois Thorne, sgt.-at-arms. In those respective offices in hour 5 are Barbara Gardner, Bob Miller, Shirley Dudley, Yvonne Bare, Gary Johnson and Edward Johnson; hour 6, Jane Hutcheson, Mary Hubbard, Patty Herrmann, Lou Jane Unruh, Billy Christian and Frank Hood; in hour 7. Richard Stewart, Joe Kenton, Mary Helen Ryder, Edmund Fink, Bill Beattie and Chester Davis.

Capt. William C. Lunt, Jr., '34, now is serving in the Fourteenth Air Force in China, part of the time under Gen-eral Chennault. He has received the Air Medal for 100 hours of air combat service and the Distinguished Flying Cross for distinguished flying service in combat.

#### Art Workshop Scene of Interesting Projects

The Art Workshop is conducted by Miss Beck's first hour class. Members are allowed to choose the type of work they wish to do, and to become skilled in the field in which they are interested. The war motif is stressed in most types of work.

Many interesting projects have been started and completed by individual students. Ann Nafe is modeling a Russian dancer in Clay. Richard Hunt is making some clever wooden novelty pins. Carlotta Taylor is shaping a figure of paper mache for which she hopes to design clothes. Henrietta Runnion and Jean Suffill are making war stamp posters. Bill McMahon and Richard Wheeler are carving wooden toys. Pat Taylor is drawing a picture map of Kansas City to put in a U. S. O. center for the convenience of out of town service men. Morton Galitzky is learning camouflage. Maxine Talyor is working on a Swedish mural for the cooking room. Nadine Harrison is designing modern cos-tumes based on historic dresses. Several girls are making stencils to transfer to leather and wooden goods, and cloth.

#### HILARITY REIGNS AS PUPILS RELATE THEIR EXPERIENCES

Mr. King's fifth hour class recently was the scene of hilarity and laughter as different pupils gave talks regarding their thrilling experiences. Vir-inia Church, Helen Dodds, Bob Martin and Danny Troup vividly described horseback rides while Ted Foote told of riding mules which he states "is much safer." On the other hand, Carl James and Beverly Van Bibber shared their rides in airplanes. "The troubles of going swimming" was Edla Carl-son's topic and Mary McFarland and Rita Terry gave accounts of their vacations in Colorado. Charles Compton portrayed a visit to the dentist's and Carl Ericson gave a speech on "The 4-eyes club." Jean and Julia Wilkinson, new to our city, have had rare experiences with revolving doors and streetcars and they said so! There were many other subjects. Doug Humphreys had a job in a sawmill, and the class is sure they wouldn't care for such work. Gene wouldn't care for such work. Lund, Ralph Peterson and Frank Schroeder were the happy ones who worked as elevator boys and gave some light on the "up's and down's" of the business. Some contributions were sad, others funny, but the top performance was the dice exhibition Jack Brown gave with his "father's" dice.

Topeka high school's football squad seems to like the tune "Pistol Packin' From all reports their "Mama." shower room reverberates with the Trojan growls.

Second Lieut. Earl McCabe, '39, and Margaret "Pat" Haag, '42, were mar-ried recently. Lieutentant McCabe, an officer in the Marine Air Corps, is stationed at Mojave Desert.

#### 350 Enrolled in P.-T.A. Annual Membership Campaign

The P.-T. A. drive ended last Monday with 350 paid members enrolled. However, the chairman of the membership drive says she expects additional dues from more teachers and mothers in the next few days. "These are busy times and people are apt to put things like this off," she says, "but I hope that all will have their dues in shortly.

"Every student can be a booster for the P.-T. A. Every teacher and par-ent can be a loyal supporter. It is a grand feeling when he know that we are all pulling together for the good of the school. Help us to reach the top in our membership drive.'

Shop Talk

Standards for the flags and posters carried in Saturday's parade were fashioned by pupils in the woodwork shop. Spanish students enrolled in the art and drafting classes lettered and painted the placards. Jeanne Whitney made the Mexican flag. The other two flags were produced by Robert O'Neil and Paul Gillespie. Mr. Phillips furnished materials, arranged the formation of the marching unit and its appearance in the parade.

The boys in Mr. Priefert's woodwork shop just have completed their first project which is to see what they can do and acquaint them with the work. His metal shop pupils also completed their first assignment. They have been working with art metal, bench metal and doing machine work on the shaper and lathe. The drafting class is beginning full-sectional drawing, detail dimensions and lettering.

The clothing classes will make articles for many purposes. Such items as bathrobes, bed jackets and slippers will soon be in preparation for convalescents. These girls will give their class time to promote an international spirit.

A number of articles have been finished in the woodwork classes. One hundred eleven diet card holders have been completed and one hundred Chinese checker board are being finished. The boys have started fifty bed side tables. These are only a few of the articles which will be turned out.

The program at the first meeting of el Circulo Calderon October 8 consisted of the introduction of officers by Betty Taff, president; "Maria Elena" on the piano by Dorothy Johnston; and an act in Spanish by Bill Atwood and Ed Bicknell. Ethelmae Craig gave a talk on Columbus day, some Spanish songs were sung, phonograph records (in Spanish) played, and Mr. Phillips spoke for a few minutes. The entire program was in Spanish and afterwards the old members got acquainted with Simona Chavez, a new member from Mexico. The new sponsor for the Spanish clubs this year is Miss Shelley, succeeding Mr. Phillips.

# Hard Hitting Pirates Win with 3 Touchdowns

Using a strong running attack to good effect, the Paseo Pirates scored a 19-0 victory over Westport Saturday on the Paseo field.

Sparked throughout by two experienced players, Manual Present, end, and Jim Solsky, halfback, the Pirates gained 298 yards rushing to only 97

In the first period a 25-yard aerial, Solsky to Present, netted the first Pirate touchdown. The second period score was the result of a Tiger fumble in their own territory. On the second play after recovering the fumble, Solsky smashed off tackle for another score. version failed. The attempted con-

After a scoreless third period, Solsky, on a great broken field run, scored the game's final touchdown. This time Present converted, making the score 19-0.

A final scoring threat failed when the Tigers held on the 1-foot line.

The defensive work of Meyers and Schowengerdt again featured for the Tigers.

#### JUNIOR RED CROSS DIRECTOR PRAISES ART METAL PRODUCTS

L. L. Blair, national director of the Junior Red Cross, recently visited the wood work and metal shops here to see what was being done for the Red Cross. He examined the ash trays, took pictures of the processes for making them, and asked for samples to be sent to him.

Mr. Wheeler reported that of the 500 trays that we have been asked to make approximately 200 have been completed. A number of ash trays made of tin cans have been designed in the East but Mr. Blair said they looked too much like tin cans after they had been completed. Westport has been highly complimented on the very fine appearance of the ash trays.

Mr. Blair says youth objects to doing things just to keep busy or out of mischief, but they will cooperate 100 per cent when they understand that they are taking a definite part in building something for a certain use. Every article that they are making has been requested by the army or navy.

# Coming Events

#### October:

- 20-Student Council
- Pep Club
- 25-Departmental clubs
- Football game-Westport vs. Central
- 25-War Stamp Council
- 26-P.T.A., Hi-Y 27-Auto club, Girl Reserves 29-Literary Societies
- November:
  - 1-War Stamp Council
  - -Planning board for S. C. 2\_ Hi-Y
  - 3-Student Council Pep club

#### Indians Win Net Title Long Held by Westport

For the first time in many years Westport has lost the interscholastic tennis championship. A well balanced team from Southwest captured the title recently on the Plaza courts.

Westport's number one team, consisting of Bob O'Brien and Irwin Block, was defeated by Sebree and Nutter, Indian court artists, 6-2, 6-4. However, the Tiger players gained points for Westport by scoring victories over Paseo and Central.

Don Sanders and Jack Miller, the Figer second team, were defeated by John Benson and Charles McGill, experienced netsters who won the tournament for Southwest by defeating their team mates in the finals.

Bob Gershon and Charles Averill, singles players, lost to fine players from Paseo and Northeast respectively. Hard hitting Eddie Lee scored a 6-0, 6-0 triumph over Averill, while Gershon was upset by Ken Frye 7-5, 6-4 in a wel played match.

John D. Fristoe, faculty manager, is well pleased with the showing of promising sophomore and freshmen players.

The tennis team is looking forward to future meets with Pembroke, Wyandotte, and the newly crowned Southwest Indians. Highly spirited matches are expected in the Pembroke meet between Ronald Goodman and Bob Gershon, and Jimmy O'Sullivan and Irwin Block. Goodman and O'Sul-livan recently led Pembroke to an upset victory over the strong Wyandotte team.

#### LOIS STILWELL ELECTED LEADER OF TIGER CLAWS

Officers elected at the first meeting of the Pep club were Lois Stilwell, president, and June Smith, treasurer. A vice president and a secretary will be chosen at the next meeting. Sevbe chosen at the next meeting. Sev-enty persons joined the Tiger Claws.

enty persons joined the Tiger Claws. They were: Mary Alice Bayss, Nancy Billings, Mary Helen Ryder, Patty Herrmann. Betty Bockman. Lois Oley, Jean Luknow, Shirley Engelhardt, Charmaine Gile, Betty J. Railey, Shirley Bertram, Betty Henson, Nan Mackie, Jeanne Endres, Barbara Golden, Alice Whipple, Lois Stillwell, Barbara Gordon, Joan Hood, Helen Spencer, June Smith, Helen Bullock, Patsy Russell, Judy Bartell, Barbara Gardener. Phoebe Matchett, Doris DeFries, Erma Jean Rehkap, Bety Wedding. Mary Hutson, Marijorie Miller, Nadine Bar-ger, Mary Daywalt, Marilyn Haggard, Ginny Burns, Ruth O'Bester, Robert Lindholm, Jerry Brown, Eloise Rhodus, Barbara Bane, Joan DeVare, Joann Davidson, Marian Wilson, Doris Klein, Dorothy Johnston, Adelle Jackson, Lois

DeVare, Joann Davidson, Marian Wilson, Doris Klein, Dorothy Johnston, Adelle Jackson, Lois Carnahan, Virginia Mantice, Betty Jane Sprink, Nancy Pat Hagerman. Billie J. Jenkel, Edris McCarty, Mary Thompson, Beverly Van Bibber, M. Jane Mc-Cord, Marguerite Sherman, Guy May, Betty Thorp, Donann Cartmel, Lois Thorne, Shirley Clarke, Barbara Ellis, Millicent Sheets, Joy Sandstedt, Gwendolyn Fry. Betty Minier, Ann-ette Smith, Sue Stubbs, Martha Bauder, Dox-iene Cambron. iene Cambron.

Miss Hayden exhibited a collection of Egyptian beads and tapestries in her world history classes last week. She explained that in every string of beads there is a blue one which is to ward off the evil eye.

#### GRIDSTERS HOLD BEARS TO 7 TO 7 DEADLOCK

A greatly improved Tiger grid squad held the strong East Bears to a 7-7 deadlock in their second league start Friday night, October 8.

The Bears, who dominated the scoreless first half, threatened several times, only to be driven back by an inspired Tiger eleven. The East tally came in the third quarter. After advancing the ball to the Tiger 4-yard stripe, Forrest Arnall threw a pass to Ainsworth in the end zone. When the ball toppled off his finger tips, Ed Mais, alert quarterback, grabbed it to score the only East touchdown. Frail then place kicked the all-important extra point.

Arnall fired another touchdown pass to Mais which was nullified because of a penalty.

In the final minutes of the fourth quarter, with King and Carras carrying the ball for 57 yards in several plays, advanced to the Bear 12 where Arnall, a great back, intercepted a Tiger pass.

With only three minutes to play, again with King and Carras as carriers, the ball was advanced to the 6-inch line with only one down to go. Nick Carras carried it over for a Tiger touchdown. On a fake kick, Higgins passed to Feagans for the tying point.

The score by quarters: Westport 0 7-7 East 0 0

Squads and captains have been chosen in Mr. Shepherd's five physical education classes. Besides regular conditioning, a double round robin touch football tournament is being carried on. No intramural sports after school have been held, but they will follow soon.

The captains:

Hour 7, Albright, Clelland, Dome, Hahn, Slyker, Walker,

Hour 2, J. Miller, Foote, Swanson, Emis, Bennett, Worcester.

Hour 4. McHenry, Seibolt, Gallemore, Chapman.

Hour 5, Cantrell, Moon, Reise, O'Brien, Fray. Saunders.

Hour 6, Beitling, Covert, Olson, Moffatt, Chader, Shaw.

#### Westporter at "Home Prayer Built"

In the October issue of the Reader's Digest, the article "The Home That Prayer Built," is the story of the orphanage founded by the grandfathers of Carolyn Klingberg, a former Westport student. Carolyn and her family moved to New Britain, Conn. last June because her father is taking over the management of the orphanage.

Carolyn is delighted with Connecticut but is missing her Westport friends. She had the privilege last summer of seeing the Gripsholm, the mercy ship, as it came to the shores of the United States.

Marilvn Haggard, Barbara Taff, Verna Murfin, Barbara Young, Emma Schuler and Elizabeth Viscofsky helped paint the flags for the American Allies parade last Saturday.

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## Faculty to Extend Glad Hand at Open House

## 108 Bid for Votes in Class Elections

Who's who among the 108 candidates for class officers will be decided by the student voters in the election to be held in the homerooms Friday. Because the number of qualified candidates was not large enough to necessitate a primary election, the class sponsors announced yesterday that the balloting on Friday would be final. Each voter will indicate his first, second and third choice and the candidate on each ticket who receives the greatest number of first choice votes will be the class president.

be the class president. The list of candidates: Freshmen, Jane Hutcheson, Mary Hubbard. Norman Brown, Brandon Giltmore, Charles Tuck, Pat MacDonald, Lou Jane Unruh, Mary Ryder, Rosalee Gaylord, Goldie Mallet, Sue Stubbs, Doxiene Cambron, Jerry Kramer, Dick Stewart, Shirley Alton, Betty Vandevoir, Ann-ette Smith, Bob Riley, Jack Ivey, Bonnie Keene, Bruno Stein, Barbara Neal, Barbara McWilliams, Mary Hall, Ketty Lawrence, Bill Perry, Carolyn Sanders, Elaine Epeicer, Jean-nine Alden, Eddie Lavo, Gayle Timberlake, Edris McCarty, R. E. Shannon, Jack Stew-man, Vivian Weeks, Jo Ann Hopkins, Harry Van Trees. Sophomores-Judith Hadas, Shirley Swanson,

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### November 30 Final Date for Senior Pictures

Do you have a lively profile, Twinkling eyes or turned up nose?

Does your hair curl up in ringlets, Do you like to strike a pose?

Then hustle up to Main street And look the birdie in the eye. Get your picture for the Herald

Or we'll know the reason why.

-E. S. Seniors who fail to heed the advice given above may lose the chance to have their pictures published in the Herald.

November 30 is the deadline for all photographs that will be reproduced in the seniors panels. Only eighty-five of the 389 students now listed as prospective graduates have paid their fees and still fewer have had their pictures taken. All photographs must be completed and mounted before December 15 in order to obtain a discount from the engraver.

Every senior who expects to complete the high school course in January, June or at the close of summer school is considered a prospective graduate. The 1944 Herald will be incomplete if the picture of a single senior is lacking.

The glad hand will be extended to parents when they visit the school next Tuesday night, whether they are accompanied or unaccompanied by their children. Personal invitations from the faculty will be given out in the home rooms Monday.

Thousands of patrons attended the open house meetings held last year throughout the nation. Even larger numbers are expected this eyar.

To entertain the visitors Mr. Min-er's physics pupils have dusted off and oiled up various gadgets which never fail to inspire awe and delight among unscientific observers. The sewing classes will be showing off with their new clothes, Miss Wilhite and Miss Beck will have a display of pretty pictures and there will be sights worth seeing in the gym and ROTC headquarters. Appetizing delicacies in Miss James' room will excite the envy of housewives struggling with ration-ing problems. The shops also will lure many.

In rooms where there will be no exhibits the teachers will improve the opportunity to become acquainted with the fathers and mothers who come to get first hand information about their adolescents.

## Speakers in Award Assembly



Left to right, Frank Schroeder, Annabel Hurley, Marilyn Haggard, Gail Goodrich, Joicie Rule, Merres Starbuck, George Landes.

Girls were the recipients of a large majority of the pins awarded in the honor assembly held last Thursday. An impressive feature of the ceremony was the loyalty pledge given by members of the society after winners of the bronze and silver pins had been presented by Mr. Holloway.

Gail Goodrich introduced six of the honor students who gave brief talks as follows:

Annabel Hurley interpreted the meaning of the Honor Society's colors.

Quoting from an address given in 1938 by John L. Shouse, former princ-ipal, Frank Schroeder discussed the six standards of scholarship by which a pupil's accomplishments are measured. These are preparation, prompt-ness, mastery of subject matter, quality of written work, ability to correct errors, interpretation and application.

Marilyn Haggard defined leadership, Joicie Rule impressed the importance of character, Merres Starbuck gave an effective talk on service and George Landes dedicated the assembly to Theodore Roosevelt.

Before reading the names of the award winners Mr. Hololway reminded the honor students that without loyalty they surely would fail in the big tests which determine a person's real fitness.

Member of the A. Cappella Choir gave an excellent rendition of the navy hymn, "Eternal Father, Strong to Save."

#### Supervise Teachers' Election

Student council members supervised and counted the teachers votes for a member for the Board of Trus-tees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund to replace C. R. Burke of Junior Col-lege who is now in the service. The pupils who worked during the differ-ent hours were Barbara Pollard, Gustava Swanson, Geraldine Brown, Josephine Kennedy, Norma Kinds-vater, Margie Stauffer, Douglas Humphreys, Patricia White and Frances Brown.

Four picture maps painted by members of the art department the last part of last year are hanging in Dr. Hunt's office. The pictures were produced by Nancy Sappenfield, Alice Byrne, Wilma June Westerdahl, Robert O'Neil. Each of them received a letter of appreciation from Dr Hunt.

#### Be Your Own Preinduction Training Center

Most of the boy graduates of the past few years now are in the armed forces and by next year, or the year after, many of the boys now in school will be inducted.

If the entry into army life, when it comes, isn't to be too abrupt a change, high school boys must begin to discipline themselves now.

Life in the average high school isn't too hard. In spite of the complaining, homework is usually not too difficult, and there is plenty of time for outside activities, sports, hobbies and social affairs.

We study in a democratic high school. Of course, we are under the supervision of our teachers, but on the whole, we are free to run our own lives. We can take an active responsible part in school, or we can sit back on the shelf and do nothing. We can get our work, or we can flunk. We can get good wholesome entertainment, or we can spend our time in juke joints.

It will be a little different in the army. The young soldier will get up at 5:45, drill, keep his equipment in apple-pie order, hike with a 50-pound pack, go to bed at "lights out," and incidentally, perhaps get his share of Japs or Nazis. All this will not be without study. A Westport graduate who always tried to squirm out of his homework whenever he could now is in Naval training and studies eighteen hours a day.

Here's a suggestion-start now to be your own disciplinarian. This goes for girls too. We all have a part in this thing, and we have to see it through. A little use of will-power won't hurt anyone. When we have our choice of doing our physics homework and going to see Betty Grable, wouldn't you rather do your homework? No? Well, that is the place where will-power comes in.

Just remember, 'Footprints on the sands of time will never be made by sitting down." Be your own preinduction training center.

# It Sez Here

Well, Hallowe'en's gone for another year. You can hear parents sigh, "Thank goodness!") Dick Marsh's party was quite something, judging from reports.

Were some girls' faces red when the names of the beauty queens were announced. Some of the elections didn't turn out as planned.

The most sought-after record lately, seems to be Erskine Hawkins' "Don't Cry, Baby." We can't seem to get rid of "Pistol-Packin' Mama" either. She's indestructible.

Sorry boys, but it seems Eileen Wright is out of circulation for good. She spends her evenings now gazing at the combination of a very handsome picture and a U. S. Navy pin. Joan Gross and Bill McCarter appear to be the most obvious gruesome two-

some now-a-days. But Barbara Kelley and Jimmy Wattenberger run a close second.

A lot of heads turned white (figuratively speaking) worrying about the arithmetic test last week. Alas, and alack, all that worry for nothing. The test turned out to be easy. Or was it?

Sherry Holland is worried about her part as Lady Macbeth in a play in English class. "I'm supposed to faint in Stu's arms and he's not been look-ing too healthy lately," she sez. We advise milk and fresh vegetables for

Stuart and are sure he's still man enough to carry out his part in grand style. Death Notice: "Melancholy Mabel," beloved member of the Crier family last year, died of exhaustion last week after many futile attempts to revive her. Her vacancy is mourned by many. Many applicants tried to fill her place, among these were: "Aidin' Annie," "Sympathetic Sue" and "Helpin' Hepzilico" but too many faults were discovered in each. Anyone with a suggestion will please give same to any sad member of The Crier staff.

One of the most interesting things about the arithmetic test was the way many students spelled "Sophomore. Some of the various ways found were Softmore, Sophmor, Sofmore, Sopmore and a few lazy individuals even went so far as to put a mere SP.

The loud shouts and hoarse cries in the basement caused some alarm last Thursday until it was learned that a swarm of cadets had been released from room 6 at the close of assembly.

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#### Miss Hatch Cites Reasons for Giving Arithmetic Test

Three reasons for giving the nationwide arithmetic test taken by all pupils last week are cited by Miss Hatch, counselor:

1. An occupational study published last year proved that many jobs called for skill in mathematics.

2. A city faculty committee believed the test ecessary. 3. Need for mathematics in the armed neces

forces.

Teachers also will learn what pupils know and do not know. They then will emphazise certain points in which pupils are lacking.

The tests will all be graded by machine and returned in several weeks. A comparative study will be made in the high schools of the city. Classes also will be compared in each school. This test was given only to freshmen and sophomore students in many schools.

While this test was easy for the majority of the students, some realized that they had forgotten the funda-mentals of arithmetic.

"There is a definite deficiency among high school graduates in mathe-matics," according to Mr. Fristoe, chairman of the mathematics department. "I have received letters from many former students, now in service, saying that more math would be a great aid to them now." Frank Wil-kinson, '43, now in V12 at Park College, stated recently in a letter that his three years of math have kept him from flunking the rigid examinations given there.

Mr. Fristoe believes that square root should have been included in the test. also problems requiring more thought and less guesswork. Many of our most brilliant algebra students missed the easy subtraction problems, thinking the minus(-) was a negative sign.

A contest is being held in Shorewood high school, Minneapolis, to encourage the submisison of designs for a Christmas card which will be sent to all Shorewood servicemen,

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## New System Devised for Personal Rating

The new personal rating plan which was developed last year by a committee of hign school teachers was described by C. S. Robinson, assistant superintendent in charge of personnel, at a faculty meeting held Monday October 25.

Four personal characteristics are listed on a Personal Growth card, followed by a 5-point description of each trait. The most desirable aspect of a given trait is printed on the extreme left of the card, the least desirable at the extreme right.

The committee offers the following recommendations regarding the use of the Personal Growth card:

recommendations regarding the use of the Personal Growth card: 1. The pupil should be made acquainted with the card early in the school year. Through this step in guidance will he come to realize that he has an important part in his personal rating as an aid to growth. The committee recommends that the card be discussed in the home room or at some period regarded as desirable by the individual schools.

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a basis for discovering desirable growth to be made during the year. 3. At the close of the year, after careful study of a pupil's personal traits, ordinarily only one item on the scale should be marked by the teacher. If two statements seem to describe a pupil accurately, two cheeks may be made; however, further consideration will in most cases result in one mark. The spirit of the Growth Card implies that the marking should be made by the teacher in conference with the pupil or used as a basis for a later conference.

conference. 4. A summary card will be made by the home room teacher after assembling ratings from a pupil's several teachers.

The new rating system was worked out with the assistance of pupils and parents. The card was submitted to the All-city Student Council and to groups of former students who considered it from the standpoint of employers. Parents who have seen it agree with students that the new card will offer the opportunity for cooperative effort in pupil development.

Mr. Harris, vice principal, was a member of the committee which devised the plan.

#### PTA Aids in Equipping Room for Home Nursing Classes

Miss Burke, the school nurse, one of the guests at the P.-T. A. luncheon, told the parents about the new room that has been provided for her home nursing classes.

She says that it is about the best equipped room in any Kansas City school and she is proud to be a teacher in such a progressive school.

After Christmas she plans to have classes for the members of the P.-T.A.

The P.-T. A. will complete the furnishing of the room and as usual Westport will take the lead in providing needed equipment for an essential war-time subject.

Mr. Means has ruled that all monitors are to wear their pins for purposes of identification. S. G. men also are required to wear their badges while on duty.

## Under the Clock

Spooners in the auditorium were lulled to sleep by the band last week. Practice was held at 8:00 o'clock in preparation for the Southwest game.

The proudest person of the week-Barbara Herber after bowling 116. She fell down only three times.

Dick Sevier couldn't understand why all the girls ignored him when he arrived at school after a recent weekend. The absence of a pin means a lot to a fella's popularity.

Arline Blackwood asked at lunch if a fellow who was crazy about electricity could be called an electric fan. Well?

When Dorothea Pauling was asked how she was getting along in typing, she replied, "Fine! 1 can make twenty mistakes a minute now."

If you should see something coming up the street with legs, face and arms wrapped up to look like a Christmas package it will probably be none other than Dottie Crabtree coming to school in her ornamented rain coat.

Crier-Herald representatives who collect the fees for the senior pictures always are disgusted when they find they have addressed a peppy sales talk to a junior.

Jackie Kanally has asked to be mentioned in the Clock column. We don't quite know what to say about her, but she's been mentioned now, anyway.

Our vote for most collegiate looking girl at the football game is Virginia Tribbey. With harlequin glasses, a jeep hat, jeans rolled up to her knees and a black and red plaid shirt she made a very striking appearance.

Nancy Steele expresses her gratitude to The Crier for putting that little "Lost" article in "Under the Clock" in the last issue. "I did recover my purse," said Nancy, "but guess where I found it. In my locker under an old note-book. The funny thing is though, that five different fellows called me and each swore he had found my bag."

Lost: One red turban with bobby pins and hair pins. Owner desperate. She will be unable to put up her hair until they are returned. If found, please return to Bernadine Heinrich.

The newest penalty in R.O.T.C. is a 5-cent fine levied on cadets who come to school with parts of their uniforms missing. The fellow who forgets his complete uniform for a whole week deposits 75 cents in the kitty!

Casualties in Sunday afternoon football games account for the increasing number of bruised and battered victims who come to school the next day.

Purple seems to be a pretty popular color this fall. It shows up all on the same day too.

Two anonymous upper-classmen were strolling through the halls the other day. A group of freshmen bounded by, jostling both parties. Remarked one senior to the other, "Now I know why 'Pistol-Packin' Mama' carries a gun!"

If Jo Ann Ready had her way, there would be a stop-light at the head of the third floor northeast stairway.

Margaret Ekholm thinks a badminton racquet looks like "an anemic tennis racquet."

Nancy Barnes is creating a panic with that frilly, gruesome-looking jacket she wears. Seriously, Nancy, we think it's darling.

We can't understand why all the students are laboring so studiously over the Weekly News Review, unless the jokes are improving.

While discussing "For Whom the Bell Tolls" in public speaking, Sheryl Holland said, "Then of course, there was the sleeping bag Robert Jordon had, but I shan't go into that."

The man-power shortage must really be hitting Verna Murfin hard judging from the way she keeps bemoaning the fact.

Gertrude Rothberg, a junior, was nurses' aide at St. Mary's and Research hospitals last summer.

Miss Mary Louise Ballinger, former teacher in Westport junior, is now a member of the teaching staff at Southwest where she sponsors the Student Round Table, similar to our student council.

Sight of the times! Orel Moorman polishing Maxine Bright's shoes during study hall!!

Maxine Taylor says she wasn't exactly fired from her job, they just didn't need her any more.

Don Butler was amazed when he peered through the door of room 313, during the initiation of the new Jules Guerin members. He couldn't understand why persons with paper bags over their faces should be hitting other persons on the head with newspapers.

After playing a hard game Bill Paddock claims that the glory of the team belongs to him.

Pupil: You said the composition I wrote was both good and original, yet you gave me zero.

Teacher: Well the part that was original was no good and the part that was good was not original. Page Four

## Franklin the Diplomat Annual Essay Topic

Pupils in the Kansas City high schools again are invited to participate in the annual essay contest sponsored by the Kansas City chapter of the Missouri Society of the Sons of the Revolution.

The subject is "Franklin the Diplomat." The three prize winners will be be awarded medals at the Annual Washington's Birthday Day banquet of the Society.

Essays must contain at least 1,776 words and not more than 1,944; they must be typewritten on one side of each sheet of paper, signed with a nom-de-plume, and accompanied by sealed envelopes, each nom-de-plume endorsed on the outside, and each en-velope should contain the entrant's name, address, school, declaration of honor that the essay is original and that the entrant did not receive assistance from any outside person. The declaration of honor is to be signed by the principal of the school on a blank furnished by the society. This should then be mailed to Edmund M. Field, 914 Temple building, on or before January 15, 1944.

Westport entrants have won many medals in previous contests. Mr. Ward, who has charge of the contest in Westport, urges students in American history and English classes to submit esasys.

#### TWENTY-TWO GIVE WAR CHEST TALKS IN HOMEROOMS

During the War Chest drive, October 17 to 25, twenty-two speakers from Mr. King's first and fifth hour public speaking classes gave talks in the homerooms. They were: Rita Terry, rooms 115 and 208;

Rita Terry, rooms 115 and 208; Douglas Humphreys, 118; Gloria Sackman, 116; Elizabeth Viscofsky, 223, 211; Ted Foote, 1; Beverly Van Bibber, 216; Donald Ogilvie, 212, 218; Sheryl Holland, 314, 106.

Stuart Talcroft, 213; Marilyn Haggard, 313, 204, 219; Marilyn Orr, 110; Ed Davis, 206; Alfred De Shong, 120; Jackie Reed, 315, 119; Marybelle Wright, 312, 215; Tressa Kimble, 107.

Wright, 312, 215; Tressa Kimble, 107. Eugene Gerber, 117; Helen Ruth Masonbrink, 114; Sophia Barash, 312; Leon Levin, 305; Dick Chapman, 310, and Beverly Ann Legg, 104.

#### **Diagnostic Reading Tests Given**

Diagnostic reading tests have been given in Miss Brubaker's classes. The scores revealed vocabulary understanding, speed of reading, and level of comprehension. Tests later will indicate the progress achieved.

Any student not in an English class, or any student recommended by his English teacher may be given special instruction in reading by Miss Brubaker in room 207 if arrangements are made with the counselor.

Bob Culver and Jane Culver, who attended Westport last year have moved to St. Paul, Minn.

#### Teachers, Pupils, PTA Aid in Issuing Ration Books

Westport teachers, students, and members of the Westport P.-T. A. assisted in the issuance of No. 4 ration books at Rollins, Allen, Swinney, Norman, Longan and Longfellow schools.

Mr. Holloway, Mr. Harris, about thirty teachers and many students were on duty at the Longfellow school where they helped process 13,549 books, the largest number issued at any school in the city. Although more than 7,000 books were distributed there the first day the work moved along smoothly and one of the helpers remarked that you couldn't even scare up an argument.

Thirty-three mothers, sixty teachers and 300 students put in around 2,600 hours at the various schools. In slack times the workers at the Allen school retired to the kitchen and mixed up concoctions—such as cookies, etc. We undertsand that our own Mr. Means was the chief mixer upper and taster of the group.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKERS START WORK ON DEBATE TOPIC

Mr. King's public speaking classes are starting work on the debate question, "Resolved: That the United States Should Join in the Reconstituting of the League of Nations." Teams in the classes will choose the affirmative or the negative, and hold the debates within the classes. From these individuals, the class will vote on those to represent Westport in debates with other schools.

Using a semi-type debate, with a four-man team, Westport will debate with Central, Manual, Southwest and Paseo.

With a two-man team, Westport will participate with Rockhurst, William Christman, Wyandotte, Paseo, Manual, and Southwest.

The debate teams in the first hour class:

Donald Ogilvie and Eddie Stewart; Tom Skalitzky and Virginia Wright; Stuart Talcroft and Sheryl Holland; Sophia Barash and Tressa Kimble; Marilyn Haggard and Jackie Reed; Charles Averill and Al DeShong; Dick Chapman and Leon Levin; Don Covert and Helen Ruth Masonbrink; Edward Davis and Jack Miller; Myron Edwards and Eugene Gerber; Robert Jones and Edwin McMahan; Jerome Mandi and Marybelle Wright; Beverly Ann Legg and Betty Lou Pierce; Marilyn Orr and Joy Sandstedt. The debute teams in the fifth hour

The debate teams in the fifth hour class:

Jack Brown and Charles Compton; Bill Canterbury and Glen Enus; Carl Erickson and Carl James; Newton Campbell and Dorothy Johnston; Bob Martin and Bob Waltner; Kathleen Butterworth and Doris Cantwell; Phyllis Ahl and Mary Lou McFarland; Helen Dodds and Gloria Sackman; Rita Terry and Beverly Van Bibber; Jean Wilkinson and Julia Wilkinson; Jim Lenk and Eugne Lund; Ralph Peterson and Frank Schroeder; Danny Trapp and Elizabeth Viscofsky; Charlse Hulse and Rogers Hall; Douglas Humphreys and Ted Foote; Virginia Church and Edla Carlson.

The students of 'Arthur Hill high school, Saginaw, Mich., have been given a new football field and flood lights by the business men of the town. So far their team hasn't lost a game on this field. With a wartime rise in tuberculosis under way, and no vaccine for its prevention other than education of the public, the Kansas City Tuberculosis Society points out a few main facts and simple measures necessary for protection.

The first main fact is—tuberculosis is an infectious disease. Too many people still believe that tuberculosis is an act of God or is an inherited disease. Tuberculosis is caused by a germ and the germs spread from the sick to the well through contact. The measure here is simple—Find every person who has the infectious disease and immediately put him under competent medical supervision to aid his own recovery and to check the spread of his disease to others.

The second main fact is—tuberculosis causes no symptoms in its early stages. But during these months, even years, before actual illness appears, "hidden tuberculosis" that can be sapping the life of its victim and spreading to others can be discovered by the chest X-ray. The measure here is equally clear—X-ray the chest of all adults possible, and X-ray all children who react positively to a skin test the tuberculin test—which shows whether or not tuberculosis germs are in the system.

The third main fact is—tuberculosis is curable. But its curability depends on early diagnosis and prompt, thorough medical care, preferably in a sanatorium. The measure here is obvious—early diagnosis, prompt treatment. The application of this measure wil save time, money (tuberculosis is one of the costliest diseases), suffering, life itself, as well as insure the return of the patient to a normal, useful life.

Miss Wilhite and Miss Bechtel are planning posters for the human science classes showing correct foods for balanced meals. Miss Bechtel's pupils who have had art experience, will design these posters during their study halls, and will finish them after school under the supervision of Miss Wilhite. With pleasing color schemes and backgrounds the posters will attract more attention than those with white backgrounds.

Members of the public speaking classes will participate in three 30minute panel discussions. Persons chosen by Mr. King will speak before the P.-T. A. Under the title of Juvenile Delinquency, School Versus Work, and Merits of Part Time Work a group will form a panel for the Junior Red Cross. During Education Week, another group will be selected to discuss the topics of each day.

The De Lano students had a recordbreaking bond day. The small school of 50 students bought \$1200 in War Bonds and stamps which averages about \$8 for each student. These students really mean to "back the attack."

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## Purpose of Education Week is Twofold

#### To My High School Friends:

November 7-13 is American Education Week. Its interesting origin dates back to 1921 when at the close of World War I the American Legion, the United States Office of Education, and the National Education Association joined in the initiation of the week, a seven-day period during which the observance of Armistice Day occurs, for the purpose of focusing the attention of the nation upon the program of public education, its aims, objectives, and needs. The idea for American Education Week grew out of conditions revealed as a rezult of compulsory military conscription for the war which had disclosed that twenty-five per cent of the men examined in the draft were found to be illiterate and twenty-nine per cent physically unfit. Since its inauguration in 1921, the observance of American Education Week has been an annual one. In 1938, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers became the fourth national sponsor.

Each year with the official designation of American Education Week, announcement is made of the theme for the week. This year's observance is to be focused about "Education for Victory." 'Timely and significant, it suggests in the delineation of the daily topics the several areas of natural concern for the full realization of effec-tive victory. Education for World Understanding, for Work, for the Air Age, Education to Win and Secure the Peace, Education for Wartime Cit-izenship, Meeting the Emergency in Education, and Education for Sound Health are all major resquisites to the securing of complete and final victory.

'I wofold is the purpose of American Education Week. One objective is concerned with the use of the observance for periodically reminding the public of the basic principles that education is indispensable to the maintenance of our Republic with its underlying princ-iples of democracy. The second objective has for its realization the interpretation of the educational program to school patrons through the utilization of regular and special activities during the week. Both objectives are important. American Education Week seeks nothing of the citizenry except understanding and good will.

You can be especially helpful if you will tell your parents of the week's observance and the plans of your own school. Encourage their visiting your school during American Education Week whether on the occasion of Open House which all schools will observe or any time during the week that is convenient.

You're proud of your school, aren't you? Share that pride with others during American Education Week.

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt,

Superintendent of Schools. October 26, 1943.

## Up and Down the Corridors

Anita Boresow, Bertha Boresow, Harry Mueller and Stanton Samuelson received their diplomas as Messengers last week at the Alert Club No. 1, Forty-second and Woodland.

Recent visitors at Westport were Robert R. Noll, Second Lieutenant, First Detachment, Fifteenth Statis-tical Control Unit, McClelland Field, California, and his brother, Ciyde E. Noll, Second Lieutenant, Eighteenth Statistical Control Unit, School of Applied Tactics, Orlando, Florida.

Johnny Kirkpatrick, '43, visited school last week. He is home on a short vacation from M. I. T.

Members of Mr. King's public speaking classes gave talks in the home rooms Friday at the request of the student council. They admonished the students concerning their behavior during the Halloween sea-son, especially at the Southwest-Westport game.

Mr. Phillips recently brought some lovely dahlias from his garden to brighten up some of the classrooms. Miss Wilhite arranged them.

The blackboards in the victory art workshop have been painted with light green tempera and now provide a pleasing background for specimens of art work.

Bob Rimel, '43, visited the school recently. He was summoned home from the Marine Base at San Diego by his father's illness.

Betty Lee Rorabaugh has left school to be married.

Julie Briant, '43, is attending Park college.

Dorothy Noble has moved to California with her family.

In Miss Brubaker's English and civics classes, Navy Day was observed by special reports, songs, and accounts from those who have relatives in the Navy.

Officers have been elected in Miss Brubaker's combined English and civics class, fourth and fifth hours. They are R. E. Shannon, president; Mary Lou Hall, vice president; Dorothy Noble, secretary; Carlyn Sanders, treasurer.

Miss Shelley, Spanish and typing teacher, sprained her ankle recently when she stepped off a curb.

Mr. King's public speaking classes are preparing for American Educa-tion Week, a P.-T. A. panel discus-sion, and a Red Cross panel discussion. These outside class affairs will help the students attain more poise and confidence in public speaking, Mr. King believes.

The promotion of Maj. William D. Ready, father of Jo Ann Ready, sen-ior, to the rank of lieutenant colonel has been announced. Colonel Ready has been in the army air corps since 1929, and for the past eight months has been stationed in England. He has been awarded the Air Medal, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star, and wears the oak cluster and European and American theatre ribbons.

In Mr. Means' freshmen civics classes a total of thirteen boys and thirtyeight boys worked on rationing, the boys working 101 hours and the girls 483 hours. Some freshmen who worked the most hours were Marcell Malmquist, 30 hours; Jerre Lancaster, Lillian Rich and Martha McCaul, 28 hours; Mary Hubbard, 27 hours, and Lyvonne Bare and Gary Johnson, 26 hours.

Forty members of the P.-T. A. executive board attended a luncheon last Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Allen Rush. Special guests were Mr. Holloway, Mr. Booth, Miss Lash, Miss Maddox and Miss Burke.

Helen Bockman, '43, recently was married to Joe Wooten of the Army.

Sergeant Metz has consented to act as Hi-Y sponsor. The long anticipated Hi-Y hayride has been scheduled for November 6 and the mixer for November 16. Doug Humphreys was the speaker at the meeting last Tuesday.

All seniors will take the Ohio Aptitute Test the first week in December.

Miss Hatch reports that she still is reeciving many requests for help. All students who want a job should see her and those who have already filed cards should keep in constant touch with her.

The students of the vocal music department were entertained with Halloween music last week. Mr. Spring played records of "Sorcerer's Apprentice" and "Dance of Death."

The paintings inspired by Prof. Chang Shu Chi, have been completed and will be displayed in the front hall for the Open House.

According to the February issue of Air Force Magazine, Technical Sergeant Leslie (Jack) O. Gardner, a former Westport student, was awarded first prize for the best written nar-rative by members of the combat crews participating in an attack on two Japanese destroyers October 16, 1942, near Kiska Island in the Aleutians. Sergeant Gardner was the bombardier in a B-26 aircraft in that attack and was awarded a decoration for his work in that attack. His account was dramatized on the Cavalcade of America program a few weeks ago. His three sisters, Patsy, Betty and Barbara are Westport students.

## Among our Servicemen

Dee Lumary, '43, is stationed at Pearl Harbor. He is in the Navy.

Bob Eggleston, '43, who was home on leave recently, spent sixteen months at Guadalcanal and New Georgia Island.

Sam Keith, '43, is stationed at San Diego.

Clint Bradt, '43, is overseas. Bertrand Fink, '43, is in the photographic division of the Navy. Last week he returned to visit his former teachers before going overseas. He told Miss Wilhite that he will take his paints with him for use if the war permits recreational leaves.

Ralph Lundberg, '42, returned last week to visit his former teachers before leaving the next day for training in the Marine Corps at San Diego. He won a distinguished service award in art here and was an officer in Jules Guerin.

Lt. (s.g.) Richard Bradley Campbell, '32, was killed recently in a bomber crash off the Florida coast. He was a Naval instructor and graduate of Annapolis.

Second Lieut. Earl McCabe, '39, and Pat Haag, '42, were married recently. Lieut. McCabe, of the Marine Air Corps is now stationed at Mojave

Desert, California. Dan Thurston and Bob Perkins, both '44, are taking boot training at Farragut, Ida.

Mary Hagny, '38, a Wave, is an Aerographer's Mate third-class at Alameda, Cal.

Robert L. Wohltman, '43, left recently to join the Seabees.

Ed Cook, '43, who took his basic Army Corps training at Barkley Field, is attending the Agricultural College in Lincoln, Neb., where he is studying basic engineering.

Forrest Faut, '42, former Crier edi-tor, is now at Yale studying to be an armament officer in the Army Air Corps.

#### Lieutenant Cayot, '32, Yorktown Survivor, Visits Parents Here

William C. Cayot, '32, lieutenant senior grade, U.S.N., a survivor of the Yorktown, aircraft carrier sunk by the Japs in the South Pacific, has been visiting his parents in Kansas City while on leave. He participated in naval actions at Pearl Harbor, the Coral Sea, Midway, Solomons and Guadalcanal.

Lieutenant Cayot was a lieutenant in the ROTC in high school and was a member of the Herald staff. Following his graduation he attended K.U. and Missouri Valley College. He received his naval training at the Naval Reserve Midshipman School, New York.

He considers the Japs tough fighters and believes we are a long way from final victory.

Bruce Gillespie, '42, is now in the Naval Air Corps stationed at Hutchinson, Kan.

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#### TALENT SEARCH INSTITUTE OFFERS BIG ESSAY PRIZES

Forty boys and girls have the opportunity to win a trip to Washington D.C. with all expenses paid and a scholarship in the Science Talent Institute, by writing a 1,000 word essay on "My Scientific Project" sponsored by the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. One boy and one girl will receive a \$2,400 four-year scholarship each, and eight others will be awarded \$400 scholarships in this nation-wide contest.

The essays may be written on any desired field and will be judged mainly on originality of thought for the talented research workers. All en-tries are due not later than midnight December 27, 1943.

Contestants must also take a Science Talent Search examination to be given on or after Friday, December 3.

Any senior holding college entrance requirements, interested in any field of science, and desiring to enter the contest, see Mr. Miner in room 115 for further details.

Tom Heinrikson, '33, is with the coast artillery and recently became the father of twin boys. Lieut. Daniel Eugene Arnold, '34, has been reported missing in action. He graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1940. Lieutenant Arnold has been trained in the submarine field and was on this type of duty in the Pacific when last heard from.

P. F. C. Eugene M. Stark, '43, is stationed at the Sea School, R.D.M.C.B., San Diego, Calif.

Brig. Gen. Charles P. Stivers, '08, deputy chief of staff of U.S. forces in the Far East, has been promoted to the rank of major-general. He was recently awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

Gene Courtney, '43, now a student in William Jewell College, soon will begin training as a Navy chaplain.

Denny Cowell, '44, visited school recently while home on leave from the Marine base at San Diego, Cal. He has received an expert rifleman's medal.

Pvt. James Hildebrand, '42, is serving with the Marine Corps in the Southwest Pacific.

Rinard Davis, '42, is in the infantry at Ft. Jackson, S. C.

James David Witcher, Jr., seaman second-class, is an electrician's mate at Iowa University.

Harry Stewart is in the army at Ford Ord, Cal.

Vincent Stewart is in the navy at Hitchcock Field, Tex. Joe Jackson, '43, left recently for

the Army Air Corps. Leo Lograsso, '44, left recently for the Army. His brother Joe is in the Navy.

Roger Powell, '42, is with the Marine Corps in Bowling Green, O.

Miss Wilhite showed the moving pictures that she took while traveling in India at the Memorial Home in St. Joseph October 17.

## On The Firing Line

Even though the 8 o'clock sessions of the R.O.T.C. officers school ruin their beauty sleep the lads unanimously admit they are acquiring invaluable information.

A school in rifle marksmanship is being held after school for those who wish to try out for the rifle team.

The quality of the drill is progressing rapidly and hopes are high for another successful field day.

The battalion presented Sergeant Metz with a key chain and identification bracelet for his birthday.

A military funeral was held for Sgt. Haskell C. Dean, R.O.T.C. instructor at the William Christman School, last Monday. The William Christman bat-talion, Colonel Bondy, and the Kan-sas City Sergeant instructors attended.

The Westport Mother's Auxiliary had its regular meeting yesterday afternoon in room 4. Mrs. W. E. Hildebrand, past commander of the Auxxiliary, spoke on "The Aims and Purposes of the Auxiliary." Because of an error, the name of Mrs. O. E. Mosher, newly elected executive officer, was omitted from the list of officers in the last Crier. Our apologies to Mrs. Mosher. The next meeting will be December 7.

#### PIGSKIN JAMBOREE TO **BE HELD NOVEMBER 12**

Gals and lads will swing out at the "Pigskin Jamboree," the monthly dance given by the Reserves, Friday evening, November 12. It will be a sport dance and will take place at the YWCA. To be eligible, a girl must be a member of the Girl Reserves, and have attended at least half of the meetings. Tickets may be obtained through the Girl Reserves.

A talk by Mrs. Eckberg centered around a new work of fiction, "Every one Is Lonely," the the highlight of the meeting of the Girl Reserves Wednesday, October 27.

The seventy new members chose the committees on which they will be active for the coming year. The committees are Program, Service, Social, Music, Publicity, Public Affairs, and Worship.

The membership campaign was concluded at the meeting, with the blonde team winning by one member. A contest had been held between two teams, the Blondes and the Brunettes, as to which could secure the most memberships. The losing team, the Brunettes, will give a party for the winning team. Each new member selected the team she preferred. The progress of the contest was shown on a poster displayed in the front hall.

Although the membership campaign has ended, new memberships in the Girl Reserves will be accepted at any time.

## \$40,000 Pledged as War Stamp Quota

Reports from the home rooms revealed that 77 per cent of the pupils purchased war stamps October 20, the highest percentage to date. The sales totaled \$580.60. On October 27 the sales went up to \$767.95 with 75 per cent participating.

The school has pledged to raise \$40,000 before the end of the year in June, or \$20,000 per semester. To reach the midyear quota the average purchases must reach \$12. A home room quota is determined by multiplying \$12 by the number of persons in the room. Every week the accum-ulated total of sales will be reported and recognition will be given to the room with the highest per cent of its quota. To those who make their entire quota will be given a token of distinction. The plan for this has not yet been decided on by the War Stamp Council.

Miss Gales congratulates the home rooms on their wonderful cooperation in having such enthusiastic representatives in the Monday night meetings. "We should be able to collect \$1,000 a week but to do this we must give up some of our luxuries," she said.

Our servicemen are watching our progress toward our blue minute man flag with interest, as was shown in a letter received from Forrest Faut, Crier editor in '42 who is at Yale studying to be an Air Corps armament officer. He said that he appre-ciates the news from home, and the high war stamp figures are good for morale. "It is a gratifying thought to know that the friends and folks back home are behind us," he wrote. "Looks as if Westport always will be tops in everything."

#### Downtown Exhibit of Junior Red Cross Projects Planned

Plans for Education Week are being made in the metal and wood shops.

Exhibits of the work being done in the schools for the Junior Red Cross will be displayed in Emery, Bird's Grand avenue windows Thursday, November 11 and Saturday afternoon, November 13. Pupils also will dem-onstrate how some of this work is done. A display of material and tools has been proposed, these to consist of a tin can, snips, jigs and dies. The boys would be soldering and polishing or cutting a can. In wood the drawing, the pieces, the partially finished game, and a finished game would be used in the front part of the window for display. Boys would be painting boards as a part of the exhibit. Stu-dents also will demonstrate the processes used on different projects which will be on display at the open house. One of the lathes in Mr. Wheeler's

metal shop which has been out of service for some time has been rebuilt and is back in service again. This makes five engine lathes now running in the shop.

## Buying War Stamps



#### SCHOOLS FURNISH PROGRAM AT WAR CHEST MEETING

Dances and songs about our allies inspired student representatives of the public and parochial schools at the War Chest luncheon given Wednesday, Ocbtober 20, in the Municipal Auditorium. Students from the George B. Longan school gave a Mexican hat dance and a Russian dance was given by students from West Junior. Gayly dressed girls in red, white and blue gave an American dance. The music was furnished by the Southwest Chorus and the Northeast band.

Each student wore a band, five inches wider from shoulder to hip with the name of his school on it. They marched across the stage and then took their places at the tables, where they found lunches packed by Wolferman's waiting for them. Dr. Hunt, members of the Chamber of Commerce and other leading citizens were present.

To increase the contributions for the War Chest home room 307 held an extemporaneous white elephant sale. Articles, such as hairpins, pens, evercompacts, absence cards, sharps, straight pins, coin purses, sen-sen, and glasses were donated from the purses of the girls in the sewing class and from Miss Moulton's desk. Evelyn Bovard paid 35 cents for some Crier tickets, Nadine Barger bought her own glasses for 12 cents and a penny was auctioned off at 36 cents. \$3.15 was raised by this auction.

Four members of the public speaking classes who are competing for the American Education Week prize, a 50 cent war stamp, will give talks during the week. Sheryl Holland will speak at the E. C. White school; Don Ogilvie at Longan and Rollins; Julia Wilkin-son at Faxon, and Carl James before the University Women's club.

## Candidates

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Grace Davis, Pat Walz, Annabel Hurley, Roberta Ross, Pat Kelley, Monty Booth, J. W. McHenry, Mildred Anders, Mary Standish, Joa. Joneo Dorothy Cunningham, Ruthelene Faton, Joned Billings, George Reasor, Eliz-hother, Ted Witt, Alfred De Shong, Anita Boresow, Joicie Rule, Donald Ogilvie, Jean Luhnow, Deborah Stein, Virginia Me-arland, Jean La Turin. Seniors-Lois Stilwell, Jackie Dunlap, Bob Ferber, Jane Riche, Bonnie Wilhelm, Mary Fristoe, Marguerite Sherman, Ed Davis, Ellene Wright, Betty Talfr. Edla Carlson, Riehard Fristoe, Marguerite Sherman, Ed Davis, Ellene Wright, Betty Golding, Charles Ferm, Vida Martine Stauffer, Jack Miller, Marilyn Me-Henry, Jean Suffill, Sheryl Holland, Martha Rush, Ethelmae Craig, Gail Goodrich, Barbara Fusto, Bob O'Dwyer, Lois Pendleton, Jose-phine Miller, Mariorie Walthall, Norma Deh-mer, Betty Lou Rea.

#### PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS GUESTS AT ANNUAL PUNDIT TEA

Prospective members were the guests of the Pundit Literary society at a tea held recently. Miss Guffin, Mrs. Craig and Mr. Miner attended.

The program consisted of a poem. "Presenting Pundit," written by Gail Goodrich and read by Norma Dehmer; some interesting facts about Pundit's origin and its customs, given by Gail, a piano solo by Mary Lou Hindman, and group singing led by Jean Whitney, Verna Lou Murfin, Betty Taff and Barbara Taff.

After the program, the rushees were introduced to the members and cider and do-nuts were served.

The following girls were accepted as new members:

Jane Bucher, Martha Sharpsteen, Nancy Barnes, Polly Tucker, Dorothy Johnston, Marian Pugh, Paula Ruth Julius, Betty Bedford, Jean and Julia Wilkinson, Barbara Harrington, Mary and Amy Guinotte, Donann Cartmell, Marilyn Haggard and Barbara Young.

Back from the War

#### Hockey Squad Scores in Annual Playday Games

A strong Westport team came through with two victories in three games at the annual hockey playday held at Southeast high Satural.

The squad made a colorful picture in their red suits, white sweat shirts and blue and gold trimmings.

Eugenia Beaumont was very efficient as goalie and Beverly Pratt, formerly of Southeast and a new addition to the team, made an excellent wing. Marguerite Sherman tallied most of the goals but was ably assisted by the rest of the forwards. Gail Goodrich and Betty Rea, after playing their games, helped referee some of the others.

After the contests the girls were served appetizing box lunches and soda pop out-of-doors on the grassy grounds.

The players who participated:

Betty Rea, captain: Connie Barry, Edla Carlson, Marguerite Sherman, Beverly Pratt, Betty Golding, Norma Kindsvater, Josephine Miller, Betty Taff, Betty Kanally, Virginia North, Jean Fleck, Paula Julius, Eugenia Beaumont and Gail Goodrich.

#### FORMER STUDENT WRITES ABOUT CHINESE NAVAL UNIT

In a letter to Miss Trotter, Robert Bartle, a member of the junior class last year, made some interesting observations about his father's work in the Navy V-12 unit at Swarthmore college, Swarthmore, Pa.

college, Swarthmore, Pa. A group of fifty Chinese sailors, about one-third midshipmen and the rest officers, have arrived at Swarthmore to study and learn to speak English. Most of the Chinese have been in the navy since they were 12 and this is the first unit of its kind to come to the United States. Robert points out that this is excellent evidence of the solidifying of relations between us and our allies and of the remarkable spirit of cooperation and friendship that has been developed.

Robert now is attending the Friend's Central School, a Quaker institution, in Swarthmore, but he remarks that only about 16 per cent of the students are Quakers. He is enrolled in an English, contemporary history program which he finds interesting and different.

Golf letters will be awarded Bob Sturgeon, captain. and John Cassidy. Other members of the team are Duke Montgomery, Lindy Pennington and Karl Jenstch. Pennington received the title of "Official Chauffeur" as a reward for conveying the team to the Swope Park links where the matches were played.

Harry Harlan. Hi-Y supervisor, was the speaker of the P-T. A. held in at the regular monthly meeting in the the school auditorium last Tuesday. The school orchestra led by Mr. Keenan gave three numbers. Mr. Harlan's topic was "Youth of Today." Mr. Holloway gave a brief talk and welcomed the members for the coming year.

Bob Eggleston, '42, a sergeant in the Marines, talks things over with Coach Chubb. Bob was center on the championship basketball team in 1941.

Members of the tennis team have hung up their rackets for the season. The match scheduled with Pem-Day has been canceled.

Because of poor transportation facilities the state tennis tournament has been canceled. The doubles championship therefore will remain at Westport for the duration. Frank Wilkinson and Howard Hall won the title in the '42 tournament.

The first round of touch football has been completed. Hour 2 scored a 38-0 victory over J.C., hour 1. The winning teams, led by Jack Miller, Charles Averill and Bob Matthews, all seniors, now are definite favorites. Hour 4 scored a 14-0 win over hour 3. Hour 5 defeated hour 1, 18-6. J. C., hour 2, scored a 13-0 victory over hour 6.

The next after school series planned by Mr. Shepherd is make-shift touchfootball. The players need not be members of a gym class. Mr. Shepherd urges all boys interested to organize teams.

The fightin' Westport Tigers will oppose the Wyandotte Bulldogs tomorrow night at the Wyandotte stadium, Twenty-fifth and Minnesota. Students are urged to buy their tickets for 25 cents each from members of the football squad because Westport will keep all of the money received from the advanced sale of ticket. The fine response to the activity ticket sale permits so low an admission price. The price is 40 cents at the gate. Transportation to the stadium is by street car to Seventeenth and Minnesota and on foot seven blocks west.

There was some excitement at the beginning of a football game between Arkansas City high school and Coffeyville high, when the Ark City drum majorette blew her whistle for the band to stop and an over-anxious player mistook the signal for the kickoff whistle. The officials straightened things out and the game was started after the music had stopped.

#### EAGLES, OUTPLAYED, WIN ONE-POINT VICTORY

Although outplayed throughout the game, the Central Blue Eagles edged out a 13-12 victory over a scrappy Tiger eleven in a night game at Ruppert Stadium October 23.

The best run of the week end probably the year was made by Nick Carras, Tiger co-captain. On a Central kickoff, Dick Cox caught the ball on the 5-yard line. Running cross field, he flipped the pigskin to Carras from the 15. Behind beautiful interference, Carras skipped down the sidelines to pay dirt.

Carras, Westport's outstanding candidate for the all star team, also scored the other Tiger touchdown, plowing through the line. Both times the attempted conversion failed.

On the first play of the opening quarter Bill Sidebotham raced 52 yards for a score. The Eagle back then kicked the game winning point from placement.

A Tiger fumble in the third quarter set up the other Central score. Mehrens, Eagle end, recovered on the 4yard stripe. Sidebotham went through guard for the score. The kick failed. Although he did not break into the

Although he did not break into the scoring columns, Higgins played a fine game for the Tigers. He paved the way for 14 out of 19 pass completions. This 156 yards gained plus 175 gained by rushing placed the Tiger total far above that of Central. Westport also led in first downs, 14 to 11.

Westport undoubtedly is the most improved team in the league, and should be at a high pitch for the strong Wyandotte and Northeast teams whom they play this season.

The score by	quart	ers	2	
Central:	7	0	6	0-13
Westport:	0	6	6	0 - 12

#### Tiger Claws Order Sweaters

The majority of the Tiger Claws members will be wearing pep club sweaters at the games this year. All sitting together at the basketball games, this all-school group will comprise a colorful section, with their abundance of school spirit, and their peppy organized cheering.

peppy organized cheering. Mr. King is now taking orders for the sweaters. Because the order is being sent in as a large group, the club is receiving a reduced rate of \$3.06 from Lowe and Campbell.

The Tiger Claws will wear their sweaters when the club meets on alternate Wednesdays, on Fridays before games and at the games.

The "Bureau for Suppression of Meaningless Rumors" desires to kill a rumor, and may make a suggestion on the side. The rumor states that Southwest has a nickleodian in its cafeteria, but after a lot of patient research, it has been learned that our friends out south have been talking a lot about it and are trying to have one put in but have not succeeded. As for the suggestion, why doesn't Westport have one installed in either the front hall or in the cafeteria?

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#### COUNCIL TO SPONSOR PARTY SATURDAY NITE

An all school party sponsored by the student council will be held in the Plaza hall Saturday night, from 9 to 12:30 o'clock. For 50 cents a fellow can bring his girl friend; without a date he will have to pay 35 cents.

date he will have to pay 35 cents. Members of the P.-T. A. will be there to uphold the standards of the Gold and Blue. A juke box with lots of records by those old favorites Glenn Miller, Harry James, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey and Frank Sinatra will furnish the tunes.

Tickets are being sold by members of the council.

## "Pleased to Meet You" Say Dad, Mom and Teachers

Open house, held Tuesday, November 9, gave teachers a chance to get acquainted with parents and for parents to find out what their offspring are doing in school. Faculty members were in their rooms from 7 to 9 o'clock with student secretaries to take the names of the visitors to each room.

A typical tour was one taken by Mom, Dad, Son, and Little Sister. Upon entering the building, Edla Carlson and Bob Bevan gave them lists of the teachers' names and room numbers.

They were first attracted by the plaques containing the names of Westporters in the armed services and the R.O.T.C. men standing guard. Eileen Wright took their names and addresses as they entered.

The physics lab where the miniature train and many other marvels were operating full blast was crowded throughout the evening. Dad dropped in to see Miss Bridges about son's work in algebra. Mother trudged up three flights to Miss James' room where her appetite was whetted but not satisfied. While on the third floor she also took in the two sewing rooms and the two art rooms.

Other interesting things they saw in the course of the evening were the hockey games in the girls' gym; the basketball games and tumbling in the boys' gym; the cups on display in the R.O.T.C. room; the home nursing demonstration by Joan Grosse and Bernadine Heinrich in room 108; and the chemistry room where the separating of water into hydrogen and oxygen and other experiments were taking place.

Before leaving the building Mother decided to join the P.T.-A. and finally, after getting out into the cool, crisp, night air she said, "My what a nice place! And the teachers were so wonderful. They said the nicest things about you." Son was much relieved!

## Four Boys Chosen Class Presidents

Swept into office by a tide of feminine votes, four boys were chosen class presidents in the elections last Friday, disproving the prevailing idea that a manpower shortage exists in Westport.

The seniors elected Bob Ferber to pilot the class through their final year in high school. George Reasor, Dick Chapman and Bob Riley are the junior, sophomore and freshman president respectively.

### Waste Paper Drive Yields 18000 Pounds in 3 days

Over 18,000 pounds of waste paper were loaded out of Westport on Saturday morning on its way to the paper company. This did not include the paper that was being picked up by students all along Main Street or the truck load given to the school through the P.T.A. by the Foster Shoe Co.

Mr. Means and Miss Bechtel certainly had a job handed to them when they were appointed to handle the sale. On Friday morning paper came from all sides, little bundles, big bundles, whole car loads, until paper was all over the place. There still is some paper to be picked up and no doubt the figure quoted above will be swelled quite a bit more.

"Westport can be proud of the way the students and faculty responded," Miss Bechtel said as the last truck departed with its load. The proceeds of the sale will go to the Junior Red Cross. Other officers elected by the classest

Seniors, Ed Davis, vice president; Betty Taff, secretary; Jackie Dunlap, treasurer; Gall Goodrich, sergeant-at-arms, "Charles Ferm, Stuart Talcroft, Richard Fristoe and Josephine Miller comprise the business committee.

Juniors, Joicie Rule, vice president; Joned Billings, secretary; Virginia McFarland, treasurer; Virginia Church, sergeant-at-arms. Ruthelene Eaton, Carl Speckman, Elizabeth Davis and Deborah Stein are the business committee

Sophomores, Grace Davis, vice president; Annabel Hurley, secretury; Mary Elizabeth Perry, treasurer: Barbara Harrington, sergeant-at-arms. Judith Hadas, Gustava Swanson, Barbara Young and Polly Tucker are the business committee.

Preshmen, Betty Jane Hutcheson, vice president; R. E. Shannon, secretary; Jerry Kramer, treasurer; Doxiene Cambron, secretari, treasurer; Bestiness committee members are Carylin Sunders, Shirley Alton, Pat MacDonald and Mary Helen Ryder.

Because of ties for offices in the junior, sophomore and freshman classes, all nominees for these classes cast ballots after school Friday. Mr. Van Horne, chairman of the faculty committee, announced that if the nominees who missed the final election, and were elected to some office, do not attend meetings more regularly, Rule 14, Article 2, under Class Organization will be enforced, thus disqualifying them for further service.

Gail Goodrich, elected sergeant-atarms of the senior class, was the only person with too many activities to hold office. She soon will resign from the monitor staff so that she may sit in on the first meeting.

Bringing in the Waste Paper



## Let's Show Our Gratitude for Loyalty of True Friends

Thanksgiving will be here next week and we are considering our blessings. Undoubtedly, as we are mentally listing the things we have to be thankful for, we shall discover that one of our most precious possessions is the loyalty of our true friends.

We have many opportunities to thank people for the material gifts which we receive from them. But seldom do we thank our loved ones for those priceless things which they give us: a reassuring smile or handclasp before we undertake a difficult task, someone who stands up for us when we are too weak to defend ourselves, those private moments when we can pour out the contents of our hearts to someone we trust and who understands how we feel, a guarantee of respect and love—yes, these gifts which are closest to our hearts, are commonly received without a word of gratitude.

This Thanksgiving let's all make a special effort to show by our words and our actions, that we do truly appreciate the faithfulness of our friends.

## Depositing Gum in Fountains a Filthy Practice

A few eccentrics, ignorant of the fact that discarded chewing gum belongs neatly wrapped in paper in a wastebasket, insist on placing their used chicle in drinking fountains. So far as can be learned, second-hand chewing gum, whether spearmint, juicy fruit or wintergreen, has absolutely no value. It cannot be resold, pawned, or used to patch tires, and it certainly is most insanitary in our drinking fountains. The use of fountains as receptacles for gum is frowned upon not only by Emily Post, but by all health authorities. It is just as simple to discard gum in a wastebasket as in a fountain, and the gain in civic decency would be immeasurable.

## It Sez Here

The class elections finally are over. They were postponed so many times, it'll take weeks to collect all the cigars that were passed around. Speaking of campaigning, how about all that publicity for Bob Ferber? Clever of him, wasn't it? Stuart Talcroft tried to win by kissing babies, yeah, babies! If the election had been postponed a little longer it might have worked, though.

Among the perfect pairs of persons haunting Westport's halls, we find that Lois and O'Brien, Dottie and Herschel and Faegens and Donna are still going strong-pardon me, I mean steady.

Everybody got a thrill out of the Hi-Y hayride. Ah yes, there still are a few people around the school who still remember those old-fashioned days when Hi-Y had fewer hayrides and a meeting now and then.

Funny how many people lost their white flowers on Honor Assembly Day. Doggone those gremlins!

Judging from the crowd, it seems that some of the parents found out about open house, in spite of all our precautions. Not that the faculty weren't anxious to stay, but did you notice that as soon as the parents departed the teachers had on their hats and coats, and were standing outside their rooms with the keys in their hands?

How did you like the first snow? Some students walked right past the school, they were so fascinated by the show-oh, those typographical errors!

"I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" is coming back into popularity. That reminds us; if you want any Christmas cards, we'll be glad to show you our samples.

Speaking of music, we didn't know Ted Foote and Ray Williamss were such snappy singers-we still don't.

Some of us weren't able to get our homework last week. How could we carry books and papers, too? We can't do everything, you know. Some students really had a tough time collecting those papers. Seems the only answer they could get was, "Well, ah don know, ah usually gives dem to be gov'mint man dat comes 'roun."

As long as they tried, what else can they do, said the student, who just received his report card. Anyway, that's what it sez here.

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#### 9-YEAR-OLD VISITOR FINDS HIGH SCHOOL A NOISY PLACE

JoAnn Guisinger, 9-year-old cousin of Miss Eggleston, wrote the following note after visiting four hours in Westport:

Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1943 Dear Aunt Mable:

I enjoyed very much visiting the school where you teach and my grandfather use too teach. Latin class is very interesting. It is quit a bit like our English. High-Schol is a lot different than Grad School, the Hurry-Scorry and talk a loud.

Sincerely yours,

Jo Ann. As mentioned in her note, Jo Ann's grandfather, J. E. Guisinger, formerly taught here and both of her parents are former Westport students.

Thoughts of a Teacher

If I should die tonight

And you (Westport student) should come to my cold corpse and say,

Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay-

If I should die tonight,

And you should come in deepest grief and woe-

And say: "Here's that homework you assigned yesterday."

I might arise in my large white cravat And say, "What's that!!"

If I should die tonight

And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,

Clasping my bier to show the grief you feel,

I say, if I should die tonight

And you should come to me and there and then

Just hint of having your homework on time,

I might arise the while,

But I'd drop dead again.

Mr. Cutting complains that a teacher doesn't teach school anymore; he makes out absence, tardy, and change slips; gives tests; collects War Stamps, Red Cross money, etc., etc.

## Conduct Speaks More Loudly Than Words

To My High School Friends: A Board of Education member deeply interested in the program and accomplishments of the Kansas City Public Schools is Miss Annette Moore. Miss Moore's interest stems from affiliation with the schools of more than forty years, the last eighteen of which she has served as an able and efficient member of the Board. For sev-eral years Miss Moore has been vice president of the Board, a position she now holds.

No Board member discusses school problems with the Superintendent with greater frequency or with greater familiarity. In all of her planning for the schools, Miss Moore is motivated by a keen and commendable desire for pupil success and achievement. With low standards, waste of time, ineffecttual practices, Miss Moore wages in-cessant battle. It is Miss Moore's belief that schools must train for effective living and that those experiences and practices which contribute to this end should be pursued and those which do not should be abandoned.

Proud is Miss Moore of the reputation of the Kansas City Public Schools and jealous is she of the good name of the student body. Pupil conduct is, therefore, an oft-discussed topic.

"Do our high school pupils realize," Miss Moore asked of me the other day, "that they can express themselves in only three ways-by oral speech, by written speech, and by conduct?"

The question was intended as more than a rhetorical one, I realized. I told her that I believed you did and cited illustrations to prove my conten-tions. I mentioned Paseo's motto of "Remember Who You Are," South-east's Knights organizations, activities of the various high school student councils, pupil codes of right conduct and my happy experiences with you at various times. I commented on your exemplary conduct at the football games this fall at Ruppert Stadium, your courtesy to and thoughtfulness of each other at school, your respect for your teachers and for your parents, your loyalty and devotion to your school

Miss Moore's question, however, has proved provocative. I have reflected upon it often since it was asked me. And I have asked myself-for each of you-do our high school pupils truly realize that they are able to express themselves in but three ways? Which of these ways is most important? Conduct, I believe we would all agree; for as a wise man once so truthfully said of another, "What you are speaks so loudly that I care not what you

"By their fruits ye shall know them," the Bible observes. So is it said of all of us. Let us reflect upon this and our attendant responsibility and obligation.

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools. Novemberf 9, 1943.

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## Under the Clock

Mr. Ward admitted to his English class that he is a contest hound at heart. It seems he won \$10 for telling in fifty words or less, why he likes a certain brand of corset. He got his informatiton by listening to the conversations of some ladies at a corset counter. He also received \$1 for his limerick on why the young bride likes Crisco.

Don Miller, '43, visited the school re-cently while he was home on furlough from K. U. where he is taking officer's training.

Gloria Calkins didn't want her toast for breakfast one day last week, so she brought it to school in her pocketbook.

For the benefit of anyone who may have seen Miss Jones waving a milk bottle at her gym class, we might explain that she brought it to school for the sole purpose of keeping the money she receives from gymnastically in-clined gum chewers. Mary Jane Mc-Cord, Marjorie Stauffer and Mary Frances Smart already have contributed generously.

Clyde Hood certainly has the best in-terests of his Spanish class at heart. When Miss Shelley called on him for the second time one day, he was quick to answer, "I've had one question already."

Are you a motor moron? Miss Fairchild can tell you.

Some girls have the peculiar habit of leaving chalk-written messages for their friends on public sidewalks.

Correction-Barbara Herber did bowl 116, but she announces she didn't fall down once.

The girls in the seventh hour home nursing class were quite surprised when they found that the "Nick" mentioned by Miss Burke in connection with girls and their puppy love was not Nick Carras but a college profes-SOT.

We understand that they are selling stag tickets to the student council dance. What about the stagerettes?

Josephine Kennedy went to the doctor the other day for a general check up and found she had three torn ligaments, a sprained ankle and a broken bone.

Marilyn Sejnost loves to write letters so much that if she can't write to someone she knows she'll write to someone she doesn't know.

Any girls who have had a hard time finding laundries where they can have their sweaters washed should stop worrying and call on Jerome Mandl.

After lengthy explanations and instructions on how not to catch a cold, Miss Bechtel turns right around and catches a humdinger.

Newton Campbell wants to know what this school is coming to, when the girls start greeting each other by calling out "Hi, Stinky" and replying "Hi, Smelly." Affectionate little creatures, aren't they ?

"Oley" Owen looks something like Pansy Yokum with her corn cob pipe.

Although Jane McCord lost her hat, she liked the outcome of the Wyandotte game anyway.

Marian Clement proudly displays a diamond, third finger left hand.

Members of Circulo Calderon who went around with a fiendish gleam in their eyes merely were planning the initiation of the new members.

All the cautious souls brought out their long red flannels at the first snow fall of the year.

The debate topic calls for deep thinking from public speaking students. It's quite a strain on some to plan the post war world single handed.

Who is the mysterious stranger following Mary Daywald all the time?

Lois Pendleton found a church party Saturday evening most entertaining and instructive!

Tom Elliott hopes to earn a living from his map drawing. He will draw any kind of a map for a flat charge of 25 cents.

It's amazing what some people will do to get their names in the Clock column.

Has anyone noticed all the victims of "bottled sunshine" wandering around our halls?

The way Mr. Van Horne brags about his first year typing students, you'd think they're as good or better than the second-year typists. Well, they are!

Walter Swanson startled everyone by approaching the candy counter and calmly asking for a "Nutter-But Bar.'

Mugs McClure and Jack Miller are having a hard time convincing a few teachers that they are specialists in the field of American history.

Miss Bechtel says the most brilliant answer to a test question she ever received was in a zoology quiz. The enlightening reply was, "A frog must live near water because if he does not his skin dries up, taking with it the life of the occupant."

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## Red Cross Projects to be Displayed Today

Among the exhibits that will be displayed at a meeting of the Junior Red Cross Council today will be bed jackets, bath robes, bed side tables, trays, crutches, articles printed and colored stories of "Twas the Night Before Christmas," tray covers, nut cups, and carnival caps. The majority of these articles will be used for holiday festivities.

Four units are sent overseas each year. Because there are so many necessities, the schools throughout Jackson county help in this huge and continuous project. One thousand gift boxes for children overseas now are on their way. These units do not include the veterans' boxes that go to Excelsior Springs annually.

Westport's woodwork shop already has turned out 111 diet card holders and 100 Chinese checkerboards. The homemaking classes have just begun to work on some bed jackets and slippers.

Westport members of the Junior Red Cross Council to represent Westport are;

Rosemarie Crowder, Elaine Worcester, Barbara Bayne, David Hougland, Harlan Kilmer, Wilbur Garrett.

Today's meeting of the all city council will be held at the Red Cross Chapter House. There will be a discussion on the "Problem of Youth in a World at War." Subdivisions of this subject will be presented by Stuart Talcroft, as chairman, and other speakers will be chosen from the following group:

Douglas Humphreys, Edla Carlson, Sheryl Holland, Ted Foote, Helen Dodds, Jackie Reed, Marybelle Wright, Charles Hulse, Beverly Van Bibber.

A report of this meeting will be published in the next issue of The Crier.

#### 5 SENIOR BOYS TAKE QUALIFYING TESTS

Results of the Qualifying Tests given by Miss Hatch for the Army Specialized Training program and the Navy College program will be announced December 20.

The examination was given to discover candidates who wish to be considered for the Army Specialized Training program which provides technicians and specialists for the Army, and the Navy College program which provides officers for the Navy, the Marine Corps, and the Coast Guard. Students who have attained their seventeenth but not their twentieth birthday may apply to either the Army or Navy. Students who have attained their twentieth but not their twenty-second birthday may apply to the Army only.

The test is designed to measure the aptitude and general knowledge required for success in the college programs.

Senior boys who took the tests were Karl Kines, Bill Kirschner, Jack Lombardo, David Sutton and Bill Wissmueller.

#### **Open House Scenes**



#### FRESHMEN HAVE GRAND TIME AT CLASS PARTY

Everyone had a grand time at the freshman party sponsored by the P.T.A. in the girls' gym Friday afternoon. Jimmy Fern of the city recreation department led the community singing and also sang a number of popular songs and at times the crowd had all the earmarks of a Sinatra audience.

Les Warren had charge of the games and dancing. He was assisted by Miss Sallie Morehead, Westport Community co-ordinator, and Miss Fairchild.

Mr. Holloway and Miss Gales, freshman sponsor, and a number of other teachers dropped in to see the fun. Gallons of punch disappeared and hundreds of cookies melted like snow, and about 350 freshman departed reluctantly at 5:30 o'clock.

If this is a sample of what is to come the P.T.A. need not worry about the attendance at the sophomore, junior and senior parties which they will hold soon.

#### SENIORS LEARN HOW TO CARE FOR SICK AND INJURED

An interesting new class in home nursing for senior girls has been organized with Miss Burke, school nurse, as instructor. Students will be trained to care for the ill or injured persons in their homes. They learn to give simple treatments, take temperatures, prepare diets, give ordinary bed-side care, and follow instructions given by a doctor. They are taught how to keep a record which will enable the doctor to judge the patients' progress.

Demonstrations are given by Miss Burke showing how to give a bath to a patient in bed, and to make an occupied bed, bathe babies, how to make compresses, prepare trays, and how to keep the correct physiological as well as psychological attitude for those who are physically disabled.

Pamphlets and literature are furnished by the American Red Cross. The equipment for the new course was furnished by the P.T.A. at Westport.

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## Westport Established by State Law in 1885

Westport high school was established as a public school by state law in 1885. Conducted in a room of the Main school, where the Allen school now stands, Westport boasted an enrollment of ten students and one teacher, Mr. Theodore Lemmon, who also was principal.

The school was organized as a separate institution five years later with a total enrollment of thirty pupils. W. T. Longsnore was the principal. Classes were conducted in the Ailen school for several months and in the spring of 1892 a new building at Thirty-ninth street and Warwick boulevard was occupied. The following fall Miss Sarah Steele became principal and two new faculty memuers were appointed.

John K. Kirk, the third principal, resigned to accept the position of superintendent of Missouri schools, and later became president of the Kirksville Normal School, now a teachers college.

In 1899, during the administration of S. A. Underwood, the Westport school district was annexed to that of Kansas City, establishing Westport as the third n.gh school in Kansas City, the other two being Central and Manual. In the fall of 1908 the present building was completed and opened, and Mr. Underwood was retained as principal, acting in that capacity until nis death in 1913.

Until recently the old Westport building was used as a grade school under the name of the George B. Longan. Many students who pass this deserted building every day on the way to and from school do not realize that this forlorn-looking old structure formerly was Westport high school.

#### ST. JOE PUPILS VISITORS AT ALL-CITY COUNCIL SESSION

Miss Dee Neen and five student representatives from the St. Joseph high schools were guests at the second meeting of the All-city Student Council Monday, November 8. The purpose of their visit was to formulate a plan for a similar organization among St. Joseph's three high schools.

The president of Phi Delta Kappa, the honorary scholastic fraternity to which Mr. Holloway and several other male faculty members belong, invited the all city council to sponsor a debate to be presented at the next meeting of the fraternity. The subject will be chosen by the business committee of the council, but the question of the value of work to the high school pupil was suggested.

Dr. Hunt complimented high school pupils on their conduct Hallowe'en week end and expressed a hope that acts of vandalism which damaged various pieces of statuary were not the results of teen age pranks.

## Up and Down the Corridors

The advanced clothing girls are donating small pieces of wool, left from their garments, that will be cut and assembled into knee robes for convalescing boys at the veterans hospital.

The P.-T. A. executive board will meet November 23 at the home of Mrs. Ray McMahon, 4245 Kenwood, for a luncheon, after which the members will attend the monthly meeting of the association in the auditorium. Mr. King's pup.ls will present a panel discussion. The school band will play and a Thanksgiving tea will be held at the close of the meeting.

A recent visi.or to the school was Pvt. Edward C. Evans, '39, 505 Parachute Infantry. Private Evans has received the Purple Heart and stars for three major engagements in Sicily. Wounded at Palermo by a grenade, he was sent to the hospital. Later he returned to the United States on sick leave and has been hospitalized for further treatment.

The family of Eddie McLeroy, certainly favors the Marine Corps. His sister Irene is a P.F.C., and his brothers, Bob and Jim, '42, are also P.F.C.

The centers of interest in the sewing room at Open House include Christmas suggestions, textiles from foreign countries, buttonholes being put in Red Cross bed jackets, hats that had been made over from old hats, Red Cross work, and garments completed by the students.

Miss Hanna recently translated "Pistol Packin' Mama" into French.

New chair desks, complete with inkwells and drawers underneath, have been installed in room 107.

According to Miss Cannon, sponsor, the Victory Corps this year will not be organized as a separate function. Any tasks which will be required of students, such as rationing, collecting paper, and any service rendered to the war effort, will be classified under the head of Victory Corps.

Students in Miss Cannon's classes have made maps and drawings of a model city, and have received permission from the Kansas City Housing Committee to make plans for renovating the entire Westport district. The students have written thank-you letters to Mr. Gifford, president of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

The school recently acquired a discarded army aircraft engine that will be used by the aeronautics, drafting, physics, and metal shop classes. It is a 300 horsepower Wright Whirlwind, radial type engine. The engine will be used in the foundry of the metal shop for the teaching of related information. The girls in Miss Guffin's advanced sewing classes are making over old street hats into frilly new ones. Several were displayed at open house. In her other classes the pupils are making pomander balls for Christmas.

A new arrival in Westport is John Irwin who plays a solid trumpet in the band. He has played trumpet in swing bands and military bands.

Elmira Green, a sophomore here last year, is attending Washington nigh school, the largest school in Los Angeles. It is housed in thirty-two separate buildings and offers a broad curriculum. The grades are designated B10, B11, B12 instead of sophomore, junior and senior. In letters to her Kansas City friends Elmira comments on the helpfulness of the ine teachers and said she likes the school very much but appreciates any news from Westport.

Maurine Killian, a senior, is a recent enrollee from Springfield, Mo.

Capt. J. C. Patrick, nephew of Miss Bechtel, recently was awarded the Silver Star for his service on Attu.

Dorothy Mae Pierce, '41, and Pvt. Walter Childs, Army Air Corps, were married Saturday, November 6.

The Recreation Division of the city Welfare Department, in cooperation with the Board of Education, social agencies and other civic agencies, is sponsoring a square dance institute in une Junior Teachers College gym November 17, 7 to 10 o'clock. A song leading institute will be held November 18 and 19, in the Little Theatre of the Municipal Auditorium, 7 to 10 o'clock. Classes will be under recognized leaders and will be free.

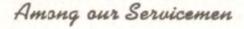
Pupils in Miss Wilhite's art classes and members of the Jules Guerin art club have been making Christmas figures, which will be used as decorations on the individual portions of service men's ice cream served on Sunday.

Each pupil in Miss Wilhite's commercial art class is making six Christmas cards to be sent to the service men by the Junior Red Cross.

Miss Bechtel's pupils were much impressed when her niece, Mrs. R. W. Emerson, visited her classes recently. Mrs. Emerson just had returned from seeing her husband, now in the chemical warfare division, on the East coast, before he left for action overseas.

The English department purchased several hundred copies of "Prose and Poetry for Appreciation," to be used by sophomore classes. It is a sequence to the book, "Prose and Poetry for Enjoyment," which is used by freshmen.

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Lieut. William O. Kincaid, 28 years old, was killed in a bomber crash at Cherry Point, S.C. He was the third Westport graduate to be killed within a week.

Lieut. Robert M. Benton, 23 years old, and a Westport graduate, has been reported missing in action in the European war zone.

Jim Wattenberger, '44, left recently for San Diego, Cal., where he will join the Marines.

Terry Anderson, '43, who was home on furlough recently, is with the Army at K.U.

Don Seeley, '43, left recently for V-5 Naval Aviation training at Duke Uni-

versity, Durham, N. C. Jim Donohue, '43, is stationed at the San Diego Marine Base.

Kenny Rader, '42, is with the field

artillery at Camp Howze, Tex. P. F. C. Hedrick Peer, '42, has been transferred from Coolidge, Ariz., to Tollison, Ariz.

Tom Glasscock, '42, is a Navy medic at Washburn College, Topeka, Kan.

Cpl. Walter S. Goodell, '42, is with the Army Air Corps at Tyndall Field, Fla.

L. J. Guin, '42, is an Army Air Corps cadet at Miami Beach, Fla.

William Ege, '41, is in the Army. Fred Plapp, '41, is in the Navy. Robert B. Sperry, '41, is stationed

at Camp Callan, Cal. William W. Wolff, Jr., '41, is sta-tioned at Camp Roberts, Cal. Calvin Curts, '41, is a Navy medic at Westminster College.

Johnny Walker, '41, is a seaman first-class in the Naval Air Corps sta-

tioned at Olathe, Kan. William J. Ingram, '40, is in the Army Air Corps.

Cpl. William E. Hunt, '40, is stationed at Camp Fannin, Tyler, Tex.

Pvt. Robert S. Hendrix, '40, is in North Africa.

Pvt. Rusty Wilson is in the Army Corps at Minnesota State Teachers College, St. Cloud, Minn.

Don Walker is a radioman secondclass in the Navy stationed at Mt. Vernon.

Orton Daniels, '30, is in the R.A.F. J. M. Eakins, '39, is in the service company of the infantry.

His brother, Robert F. Eakins, '40, is in the signal service of the Air Corps.

Ray Freeman, '42, is in the Marine Corps.

Ernest Grinham, '43, is in the Army Air Corps.

Charles Higgins, '44, left recently to join the Marines.

P.F.C. Robert Voelker, '43, is with the Army Air Forces.

James H. Dolan, '43, is in the A.S.T.P. at Camp Fannin, Tyler, Tex.

Jerry Doughtery, '44, left recently to join the Navy.

Dick E. Ethridge, '41, is a radio mechanic in the Army Air Corps, Pendleton Field, Pendleton, Ore.

Win Speech Prizes



Winner of first place in the American Education week speeches in the public speaking classes was Sheryl Holland, who was awarded a 50-cent war stamp. Carl James and Don Ogilvie placed second. Also participating was Julia Wilkinson.

Don Ogilvie, War Chest speaker, also won a 50-cent war stamp. Rita ferry ranked second in the contest and Doug, Humphreys was runner-up. Judges of the two contests were Dolores De Shong, Gloria Sackmann, Gail Goodrich and Mr. King.

#### SOUTHEAST PUPILS THRONG TO NEW COMMUNITY CENTER

The Southeast Community Center will be four weeks old this week. The center is located in the Mark Twain School where twelve rooms, besides the library, kitchen and gyms, have been set aside for this purpose.

The first night more than 700 pupils attended. Each succeeding Friday night since, the center has been crowded and the students are having the time of their lives dancing and playing games. The various P.-T. A. units of the area serve refreshments, usually hotdogs and cokes.

Thursday night has been given over to the adults of the district and a good many are taking part in the activities. Pupils from other high schools have been visiting the center and Westport students, teachers and P.-T. A. members are invited to drop in and see how the set-up works.

Shorthand awards for October have been announced as follows:

The 60 award, Frances Brown, Lois Carnahan, Doris Heerwald, Mary Helen Kelly, La Vaugn Laird.

The 80 award, Betty Bly Andrews, Margaret Ekholm, Mickey Freed, Doris Heerwald, Verna Murfin, Jane Riche, Dolores Roller, Carol Wester-dahl, Marian Wilson, Barbara Young, Marybelle Wright.

The 100 award, Bonnie Lee Wilhelm.

Mrs. Marvin Creager, wife of a former city editor of the Star, died recently. Before her marriage, when she was Miss Jean Adler, she taught domestic science here.

## The Clubs in Action

Clay literary society has arranged a football game with Irving to be played November 25. Stuart Talcroft is captain of the Clay team. The society has decided to wear pins instead of jackets, which will give them distinction from fraternities. The first meeting of the club was held Friday, November 5 with Miss Beck as a sponsor. New members admitted were Joedan Saunders, Frank Schroeder, James Howard and James Lenk.

New members initiated into Circulo Calderon at its last meeting were Joy Standstedt, Elizabeth Davis, Virginia Mantice, Jerry Pollok, Leon Levin, Bryan Riggs, Rose Marie Crouder, Betty Warner, Shirley Swanson, Phyllis Larson, Jacqueline Kanally, Doro-thy Roberts, Donann Cartmel, Bettie Bedford, Doris Kimble. A barbershop quartet sang lustily, old and new members conversed in Spanish and ate from the ends of a string to a marshmallow in the middle. An act was given by Josephine Miller, Barbara Taff, Elizabeth Viscofsky and Dorothy Johnston. Verna Murfin talked on Venezuela, the chief topic.

The Promethean literary society gave a tea to welcome new members. They were Dolores Horner, Pat Kel-ley, Barbara Ellis, Marybelle Wright, Peggy Brandenburg, Julianne Aaron, Shirley Bertram, Helen Granstrom, Virginia Johnson and Jean Greenbaum.

Doris Klein read "A Strange Story" by O. Henry, Marilyn Cloonan recited a poem; a trio consisting of Marjorie Walthall, Jane Balfour and Phyllis Ahl sang the "Green Cathedral." Group singing followed.

Doughnuts, punch and candy were served. Miss Youngs, sponsor, proposed a toast to the new members. In closing all joined hands in the friendship circle and sang "Alma Mater" and the "Victory Song.",

Pundit literary society welcomed seventeen new members Friday, November 5.

Dr. Frye gave an interesting talk on "The Trump Card in the Human Pack."

The following participated in the program:

Mary Lou Hindman played "A Night in Vienna" on the piano, Barbara Owen played and sang "Dark Eyes," Martha Rush, accompanied by Mary Lou Hindman at the piano, sang "Into the Night."

The program at the meeting Friday afternoon will be presented by the new members.

New officers of the Stage and Screen club are Newton Campbell, president; Jerry McWhirter, vice-president; Sheryl Holland, secretary; Jean Suffill, treasurer; Helen Dodds, student agent. New members will be elected at the next meeting.

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## Miss Card's Room Near Goal in War Stamp Sales

Under the leadership of their two representatives, Charles Carter and Jerry Thompson, Miss Card's home room has succeeded in reaching 89 per cent of their quota. The other rooms range upward from 9 per cent.

Miss Gales is much encouraged over the results of the home room sales but says we can do still better as purchases on November 3 and 10 averaged only 80 per cent and \$600. Last week was dedicated to Education since it is only in a democracy that free education can flourish. It is the duty of us all to do our part to keep America free.

An interesting diversion in Miss Gales' second hour speech class was the visit of Conrad Long, a former student. He was only 17 but had received an honorable discharge from the Navy because of physical disabilities. Conrad had been a submarine cook for two years before his discharge.

The home rooms that have made 100 per cent sales seven times are 1, 119, 120 and 209.

#### 23 PUPILS MAKE PLANS FOR FORMING CHESS CLUB

Keen interest in the game of chess was displayed recently when twentythree students met in room 114 and made plans for the organization of a chess club. The temporary chairman was Tom Elliott, a senior, originator of the idea of a chess club. He is attending Westport for the first time this year.

It was decided that a committee, composed of Ed Davis, Tom Skalitsky, and Dan McDermott, should draw up and present to the members a constitution which would include regulations for the election of officers scheduled for the next meeting.

Miss Hayden, who at one time played chess herself and who is hoping to learn the game over again, is the sponsor.

Mr. King's public speaking classes made a field trip back stage during class Thursday, November 11. Lighting effects, stage props and scenery were explained by Mr. King. This experience gave the students an insight into the fact that there is as much work behind the scenes as there is in front of the footlights. After the trip a paper was written by each member of the class on his observations.

Students and faculty members are thinking particularly of the alumni this year and are eager to welcome them back to the annual Home-Coming Assembly on December 22. Messages from those unable to attend are reouested. All students are urged to ask Westporters of past years to attend this special assembly or to write a note to the school which will be read during this program.

Tom Doty will have to wear a coon skin cap during this cold weather to compensate for his close crew cut. The Battalion Marches in Armistice Day Parade



This is Book Week

"Build the Future With Books" is the theme of National Book Week, November 14 to 20. Last year the theme was "Forward with Books." These themes suggest the value of the intelligent and happy individual growth which is the basis of democratic society.

The "Peace That Failed" by Varian Fry, "Versailles Twenty Years After" by Paul Birdsall, and other books cause us to ask, "Did We Think Yesterday?"

"Asia Unbound" by Sydney Greenbie, "Brothers Under the Skin" by Carey McWilliams, bring up the question, "Do We Understand Today's Problems?"

"One World" by Wendell Wilkie, "The Peace We Fight For" by Hiram Motherwell, directs our attention to the question, "Are we Prepared to Plan for Tomorrow?"

#### TEN YEARS AGO

From The Crier, November 15, 1933

In 1933, there were 219 senior girls and 221 senior boys, making 440 graduation candidates.

Westport teachers, custodians, and cafeteria employees subscribed \$615.25 to the Kansas City charity campaign. On account of salary cuts they were unable to reach the \$900 which they gave last year.

The two new tennis courts east of the school, near Thirty-ninth and Gillham, are well on way to completion. Two all-weather courts, surfaced with asphalt, already are in use. The new courts will have a crushed rock surface.

A series of films will be shown in Mr. King's Career classes. They will portray different lines of work, such as aviation, science, forestry, journalism, engineering, television, radio broadcasting, nursing, electricity and welding.

Virginia Palmer is now the Keeper of the Records in Mr. Phillips' seventh hour study hall. On The Firing Line

The second promotion list was published last Wednesday by Sergeant Metz as follows:

First lieutenants, Lester Brackenbury, Robert Ferber, Richard Fristoe, Marion Hammond, George Kirkland, Howard Oakes, Robert O'Dwyer, Robert Shelton, Lindy Pennington, William Sexton.

Second lieutenants, Charles Ferm, Richard Ross.

Staff sergeant, Robert Spencer.

Sergeants, William Barnes, Ralph Basler, Newton Campbell, Edward Franke, Jack Hedger, Clarence Hurd, Robert Lennington, Roy Lund, James McCasland, Jack Meeker, Dwight Milliren, George Nitchy, George Reasor, David Sutton, Donovan Wilkinson, William Wissmueller, Donald Yoakum, Clarence Zink.

Corporals, Harold Barash, Robert Bevan, William Canterbury, Charles Hershberg, David Hougland, Edward Jacobson, Reed Murray, Robert Newman, William Robinett, William Rowe, James Snedeker, Carl Speckman, Bruce Sproull, Richard Wheeler, John White, Raymond Williams, George Evans.

In order to show the men and women of Kansas City what is done in the practical arts departments of the high schools, a display was placed in each public library throughout the city during National Education Week.

The foods department sent canned vegetables, fru; its, and jellies to the main library, while the clothing. wood working, metal and drafting department displays were exhibited at the Westnort branch library. The clothing department was well represented through garments and Christmas suggestions produced by Virginia Dobbie, Jeanette Luhnow, Barbara Burris, Louise Hobson and Norma Lee Eash.

Several of Miss Beck's students are making menu covers for the army air corps. Mr. Ward is asking his classes to contribute limericks to be printed inside the covers.

## Vikings Clinch City Title in Final Game

Undefeated throughout the season, the Vikings clinched the interscholastic league title Saturday by winning a 24-7 victory over the Tigers. So completely did Northeast dominate league play that only two touchdowns were

scored by opponents this year. As in the Wyandotte and Southwest games, Westport held an advantage at the half only to lose. A 40-yard Tiger drive paced by Nick Carras re-sulted in the Westport back scoring a touchdown and plunging for the extra point.

This tally made the score 7-6, for an intercepted Tiger pass set up a Viking score by Lyal Viers, one of the best backs in the league. The kick was no good, fumbles cost the Tigers in the second half, with Viers, Tow-send and Campbell all scoring,

This was the first clear title for Northeast since 1935. However, they tied for the championship with Southwest in 1941.

Although Westport did not score a victory this year, the Tigers were highly regarded by all opponents. The running of Carras, Cox and King; the hard tackles of Meyers, Schwengerdt and Kent; the passing combination Higgins to Feagans and King's long punts will long be remembered by Westporters and opponents alike.

The score	by	periods:				
Westport			7	0	0-7	
Northeast .		0	6	6	12-24	

Miss Moulton represented Albion College at the inauguration of Dr. Walter Pope Binns as the ninth pres-ident of William Jewell College. Of the eight educators who discussed "Post War Education Problems," she was the only woman, and her particular subject concerned the future of women's education in relation to art and home economics. Albion was one of the oldest of the ninety college and universities represented, having been founded in 1835. Miss Moulton was the only representative from Kansas City with the exception of Dr. Herold Hunt.

Seventy new members were formally taken into Girl Reserves Wednesday, November 10. Each girl was presented with a Girl Reserve pin. Members of the cabinet interpreted the circle triangle, the club symbol, and Paula Ruth Julius led in community singing. After the meeting, a social period was held in Miss James' room, and refreshments were served.

Typing awards for the first half of November have been awarded. Those receiving the rating of 60 are Peggy Short, Mildred S. Ulmer, Ethelmae Craig, Dolores Roller, Marian Wilson. Qualifying for a rating of fifty are Virginia Mantice, Geraldine Brooks, Betty Thatcher, June Murray and Marian Wilson. Those who qualified for a rating of forty are Julia Wilkinson, Emma Carnahan, Margaret Wager, Alvin Roush, Betty Lou Miller, Bertha Boresow and Frances Brown.

## All Star Nominees

There comes a time every year when an all star team must be chosen. Our selection is not official and anyone is welcome to make his own selections but here is the choice of The Crier sports reporter:

First team	Second team
	Ends
Campbell (Northeas	at) Present (Paseo)
Hanks (Central)	Burgard (East)
	Guards
Whitacre (Central)	Ryder (East)
Gaultier (Northeast	) Burton (Southeast)
	Tackles
Schowengerdt (We	st- Reardon (East)
port)	Wallin (Northeast)
Haynie (Central)	
	Center
Greeley (Northeast)	Wattenberger (Westp"

Backs Viers (Northeast) Carras (Westport) Sidebotham (Central) Prudden (Central) Dannenberg (South- Hull (Northeast) west) Solsky (Paseo Wolfe (Southwest)

#### MRS. HALE "MOTHER OF THANKSGIVING DAY"

The Pilgrims were the first group of people to observe a day of Thanksgiving, and George Washington was the president who proclaimed the first National Thanksgiving Day on November 29, 1789.

During President Jefferson's administration Thanksgiving Day proclamations were forgotten. But Sarah Josepha Hale, editor of Godey's Ladies Book, the first woman's magazine to be published in America, had not forgotten, and she spent seventeen years of her life in making Thanksgiving Day a national holiday

She personally urged the state governors to unite in observing a Thanks-Civil War. In 1863 she succeeded in obtaining a presidential proclamation from President Abraham Lincoln who designated the last Thursday in November of that year as Thanksgiving Day. Since that time a proclamation has been issued each year.

Sarah Josepha Hale, who wrote the rhyme "Mary Had a Little Lamb" thus became the "Mother of Thanksgiving Day."

#### Fall Play Postponed

Two school plays will be presented next semester instead of the usual fall and spring plays. The first semester play has been postponed because heat is shut off in the building after the close of school to conserve fuel. Time for afternoon rehearsals also has been reduced by the present schedule of school hours.

Miss Keeler, Miss Wheeler and several members of the Speech department were guests of the Drama Workshop players of the University of Kansas City the evening of November 11. The occasion was the performance of Oscar Wilde's famous play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," by the workshop players.

Miss Hatch reports that more than sixty boys have indicated that they would like to work at the post office during the Christmas rush.

#### MEMBERS OF INTRAMURAL HOCKEY TEAMS CHOSEN

The intramural hockey teams have been chosen and the first game was played last Monday between the Sen-ior A and B teams. The following are members of the class teams:

a Mark Berten, State Cass teams:
Senior A, Nancy Barnes, Paula Julius, Marguerite Sherman, Betty Golding, Reverly Platt,
Edla Carlson, Jean Fleck, Betty Taff, Gail
Goodrich, Josephine Miller, Betty Lou Rea,
Barbara Golden and Juanita Carlson.
Senior B, Mary Alice Bays, Millicent Sheets,
Norma Kindsvater, Gaynelle Irving, Betty
Minier, Betty Kanally, Norma Dehmer, Lois
Pendleton, Virginia Mantice, Betty Bedford,
Mary Husbands, Gloria Sackman, Bertha Boresow, Doris De Fries.
Juniors, Mary Alice Nelson, Barbara Taff,
Joan Hood, Helen Root, Martha Sharpsteen,
Susie Liddle, Joicie Rule, Virginia Johnson,
Virginia North, Connie Barry, Catherine Mekim, Donna Mueller, Barbara Herber, Rose
Ann Seibolt, Eugenia Beaumont and Beverly
Van Bibber. Van Bibber.

Van Bibber. Sophomores, Wanda McDonald, Mary Bla-lack, Gerralyn Racey, M. Seeling, Dixie Hard-man, Dorothy Hubbard, Mary Richardson, Charmaine Gile, Pat Walz, Joyce Daniels, Grace Davis, Beverly Engelhardt. Margaret Jordan, Geraldine Brown, Barbara Harrington, Dorothy Edwards, M. Huston, Pat Linder and D. Bairder B. Reimer

Miss Fairchild says that the program for the next ten weeks will consist mainly of body-conditioning, dancing and basketball. Pyramid work will be taken up in the advanced classes and the freshman will have tumbling.

#### Servicemen's List an **Open House Feature**

A feature attraction of open house was the list of Westport's men in service exhibited in the front corridor. It was effectively arranged and rendered impressive by the presence of an honor guard consisting of these R.O.T.C. cadets:

Corporals Richard Beitling, John Shipe, Calvin Smith, John White, Private First Class Guy Z. May, Powell Galitzky, Fred Titus and Pvt. Jack Long, The commanding officer was First Lieut. William Sexton.

The list represented a total of 941 men in the service. The gold stars preceding some of the names indicated that these men, twenty in all, have been killed in action.

This display attracted much favorable attention and comment even though it necessarily projected a somewhat grim note into the otherwise holiday atmosphere of open house.

Credit for recording the names goes to Miss Hanna; Miss Wilhite and her classes neatly arranged, framed and decorated the lists, and to Dolores Roller who typed them in alphabetical order.

Betty Highley, '42, who received the Distinguished Service Award in the vocal music department, has donated three record albums to Westport's col-They are Rachmaninoff's lection. Second Symphony, Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto and Bach's Passacaglia in C Minor.

A Thanksgiving party complete with doughnuts and cider was held in Miss Gales' second hour speech class today. The program was planned by a committee of students in the class headed by Olive Ruhl, chairman.

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## Deadline Set for Senior Photographs

Only two days remain for seniors to pay their fees and have their photographs taken for the 1944 Herald. No payments will be accepted after 4 o'clock Friday. Thirty or more of the prospective graduates will not be pictured in the yearbook unless they take advantage of this last minute opportunity.

"Money spent for a Herald photograph is the best investment of \$2 that a senior can make," said Mr. Holloway in a recent faculty meeting. He then explained that he always refers to the Herald in replying to inquiries from prospective employers. Without a picture he often is unable to recommend applicants for jobs.

Several weeks ago a representative of the FBI visited the school to question Mr. Bannister in regard to a graduate who had applied for a government position. Using the Herald as a memory refresher Mr. Banister was able to furnish a testimonial. Later the former student returned to Westport and told Mr. Banister that he probably would not have obtained the job if he had not had a satisfying recommendation. The young man now is a photographer in the navy intelligence service.

Not so fortunate was another alumnus who wrote an urgent letter to Mr. Miner asking for a statement of his qualifications for a fine position with a business firm. Since he had only a vague recollection of the boy, Mr. Miner consulted the Herald but was unable to find a picture and for lack of a recommendation the applicant was turned down.

### Pupils Enlisted for Pre-holiday Employment

Schools and employers are co-operating in an effort to meet the man power shortage caused by the war emergency. Pre-Christmas employment has been approved by the board of principals.

Pre-Christmas employment will begin on Saturday, December 11, and close with the end of the vacation January 3, 1944. Pupils may be excused during this time if approval has been obtained through the proper channels. However, the pupil will have the chance to make up school work missed. All responsibility for taking a job which takes a pupil out of class must be assumed by the pupil after he has his parents' consent and the school's approval. No school credit can be given for work experience.

Pupils doing unsatisfactory work are warned that they should not attempt to take an additional load instead of strengthening their school work. To be officially excused, a pupil must first obtain a pre-Christmas employment card from the counselor. Second, he must get his parents' consent. Third, he must return card to counselor. Fourth, he must have employer sign card. Fifth, he must return signed card to counselor to be filed. Sixth, on return to school he must bring a statement from employer indicating how much time worked. Counselors and vice principals will visit places of employment where pupils are employed. Applicants for jobs must be 16 years old.

Newly-elected officers of the Chess Club are Tom Elliott, president; Dan McDermott, vice-president; James Howard, secretary-treasurer. A constitution was adopted.

## Graduates to be AssemblyGuests

The annual Christmas home-coming assembly will be held in the auditorium December 22 at 10 o'clock.

According to Miss Maurine Fairweather, chairman of the Christmas assembly committee, there will be two assemblies. Group A will meet at 9:10 o'clock but the Group B session at 10 will be designated as the annual alumnus meeting.

Home-comers will assemble at 9:30 in the cafeteria and go to the auditorium stage at 10 o'clock.

ium stage at 10 o'clock. The chairman of the assembly will be Douglas Humphreys, '45, president of the student council. Gail Goodrich, '44, will present the greetings.

The program will consist of speaking by members of the alumni with also readings and vocal and instrumental numbers by alumni. Messages will be read from absent members.

Miss Brubaker is in charge of the reception committee and will choose assistants from the senior and junior class committees.

Pupils will be asked to send their assembly programs, now being prepared by the business department, to absent alumni.

From various designs made for the programs in Miss Wilhite's 6th and 7th hour classes. The design sketched by Alice Whipple was chosen as the one most appropriate for this year's program.

Tomorrow the P.-T.A. will have a party for the sophomores in the girls' gym after school. Mr. Warren and Mr. Fern will have charge of the entertainment. There will be dancing and refreshments. All sophomores are invited.

#### Here They are, the Class Presidents



Number Six

#### School Record a Barometer of Student Attainment

A high school record is a barometer which shows what the future holds for a student. This was pointed out by Chief Petty Officer Evans on a visit to Westport last week.

Thus a challenge is thrown out to every student to work diligently toward a standard of excellence in both studies and actions. Many hours are frittered away simply because students do not comprehend the importance of education. To such persons school is just a place to waste time.

This is a day of training. Thousands of students are being trained in various trades and crafts. Millions of dollars are being spent by the government to educate students of today who will be the teachers and workers of tomorrow.

The point should be stressed that when a promotion is in the offing the authorities often write back to the high school from which the students was graduated to get the record of his work and ability during the years he was enrolled there.

It is very important, then, that each student should make the most of his opportunities so that a good report of his high school activities and scholarship will be forthcoming from his principal.

#### Democratic Principles Involved in Patton Incident

The General Patton incident so widely publicized of late, impressed upon us the principles upon which our country was founded, and those same principles now being fought for in the Pacific, the Atlantic, in Europe, Italy and in China.

Among what other peoples could the press and radio have the right to so violently attack a high army official for his bad conduct toward his men?

Where else are the rights of human beings respected enough for a general to be criticized and even threatened with court-martial for a show of temper toward those serving under him?

Yes, we shall remember this incident more for the freedoms exercised in connection with it, than by the bare facts themselves.

## It Sez Here

My, but it was good to see all the cheerful little studes tripping joyfully back to school after that long vacation. The halls were simply ringing with merry voices. Four days of sleep (?) had a marvelous effect. (Speaking of Thanksgiving, vitamin pills just aren't so good as turkey, no matter how big your imagination.)

Here is a grand place to thank the student council and the P.T.A. for that swell dance at Plaza hall last week. (Consider yourselves thanked.)

Since so many dances are being "thrown" lately we decided to pass along this little piece of practical advice we swiped from the Platt, Kansas, Mirror:

"Three ways to avoid embarrassment when you fall on the dance floor.

1. Just lie there; they'll think you fainted.

2. Get up gracefully; they'll think its part of the dance.

3. Start moppin' the floor with your handkerchief; they'll think you work there."

Announcement If any of you fellas are disappointed in love, apply immediately to Joan Grosse. She's become Westport's refuge for heart-broken males. . Along with this we might also announce that Eddie Milliken is back in circulation. He's not too unhappy over the situation either! Going steady is quite a burden on a guy, isn't it?

If you've noticed any extra confusion and delay in the cafeteria its probably caused by some of the "calorie conscious" human science studes! After figgerin' up the correct amount of minerals, acids, carbohydrates, etc., a person needs each day, these kids demand the life history of each individual ingredient before purchasing it.

My, but motion pictures cause amazing reactions. After spending \$1.10 on a recent movie Joe Fichter began answering the phone with, "For whom does this bell toll?"

Virginia Tribbey has added a new piece of jewelry to her collection. It's a marine insignia this time. (Some people have all the luck!)

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#### EXAMS FOR SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH HELD

Preliminary examinations in connection with the Third Annual Science Talent Search were held Friday, December 3.

The Science Talent Search is conducted annually by the Science Clubs of America and is administered by Science Service. The purpose of the search is to discover and help develop scientific talent that will be of value to the nation in war and peace.

Forty boys and girls who lead in the preliminary examinations will be given all-expense trips to Washington to attend the Science Talent Institute for five days and take the final examinations for the Westinghouse Science Scholarships. Two contestants, one boy and one girl, will be selected by a board of judges to receive Westinghouse Grand Science Scholarships of \$2,400 each (\$600 per year for four years) and \$3,000 additional in scholarships will be awarded.

As part of the preliminary examinations, each contestant submitted an essay of about 1,000 words on the subject "My Scientific Project."

Those who entered from Westport were Fred Heim, Tressa Kimble, James Snedeker, Lois Wilson, Frank Schroeder, Ed Davis and Ed McClure.

Each scholarship may be applied toward a course in science or engineering at a degree-granting institution of higher education selected by the winner and approved by a scholarship committee named by Science Service.

First Lt. Sidney M. Bliss, former mathematics teacher, has been teaching the same subject to aviation cadets at Ellington Field, Houston, Tex., since last April. He expressed his appreciation for the many kindnesses bestowed upon him during his visit before Thanksgiving.

## Let's Not be Vandals Says Superintendent

To My High School Friends:

A photograph in a recent issue of the Kansas City Times showing the overturning of a large outdoor vase and the destruction of an artistic Italian column in the southwest section of Kansas City has resulted in widespread discussion and comment throughout the city. Citizens, unwilling to believe that such depredation could be committed, have asked, "How can anyone do such a thing as this?" Frankly, it doesn't seem possible and yet the incident depicted is but one in a long series of wanton acts of vandalism that have occurred within recent months city-wide.

In discussing this deplorable situation with high school students they are quick to suggest that none of their number could possibly be responsible. "High school students have too much pride in their community, too much loyalty to their school and are too appreciative and understanding of the rights of others and of property rights to stoop to anything so despicable," they have told me. I hope that they are right. Surely I want to think so.

But the destruction of art objects is not the only kind of vandalism prevalent today. Complaint has reached me that in certain sections of our city, where elementary and secondary schools are nearby, afternoon dismissal from school sees swarms of pupils literally descending upon drug and novelty stores. In the former, counters and booth seats are promptly occupied and held for an hour or more while pupils drink a coke and read popular magazines conveniently borrowed from the magazine rack, engaging the while in loud, boisterous and unbecoming conduct and in general creating an annoyance, if not a real disturbance. "Customers tell us," a manager said, "that they do not like to shop within an hour or two after the dismissal of school because of student behavior." Novelty store managers complain not only of rudeness and of misconduct but of pilfering and thievery from store counters. "Actually we do not like to see some pupils-many of them in fact come into our stores."

These complaints, together with those of motion picture theatre proprietors, that students are frequently rude in their behavior, yelling, stamping, booing, inconsiderate of others, have made me concerned indeed and disturbed as well. Are these conditions typical of student reaction city-wide? Do high school and older elementary pupils act this way or are these reported cases exaggerated and quite out of the ordinary? I do not know. I hope that these are isolated cases and are not at all typical of the attitude of our young people. If they are typical, it is a sad commentary on home and school influence; I believe you will agree.

Vandalism is not confined to the destruction of property—it is in reality any act that causes a loss to anyone in any way. Let's not be vandals! Herold C. Hunt

Superintendent of Schools.

Jerome Mandl arrived on time to his first hour one day!

Under the Clock

Dorothy Johnston gave quite an interpretation to the part of Gertie the girdle saleswoman in the play for Pundit, and was quite well supplied with props, too.

Ometa Seiglin is the only person we know who can speak Spanish with a Brooklyn accent.

Sight of the times: Miss Bechtel tripping the light fantastic with Russell Borg.

The most accurate typist in this school undoubtedly is Calvin Smith. On a 1-minute accuracy test he played safe, and only wrote one word during the whole minute!

It takes Dick Fristoe longer to say "good-night" than any other boy around these parts.

When a member of the senior hockey team appeared in her office in street clothes, Miss Fairchild remarked, "I didn't recognize you in civilian clothes."

Question: "Name an acid-forming food."

Answer: "All nuts except peanuts, walnuts and us nuts."

Margaret Eckholm and Betty Earp would make wonderful majorettes, according to observers of the marching drills being conducted in gym classes.

Eddy McLeroy, gayly rigged out in jeans and a plaid shirt, said he felt a little out of place at the Student Council dance, especially when those two fellows in tuxedoes walked in.

Bob O'Brien wishes to correct a statement made in the last issue. He claims he is not going steady and that shiny W. pin is still available to anyone who has the nerve and ability to get it.

When the boss of Kline's asked Eddy McLeroy what department he'd like to work in, he said girls' sweaters! Low and behold if he didn't get placed there. How's business, Eddy?

Delores Hunter is convinced that physical exercise will not increase a person's height. After two years of gym she still is 4 feet, 11½ inches tall.

What was that mouse trap doing in Mrs. Hensley's second hour gym class?

Serial stories running in the Kansas City Star are being collected, rolled into scrolls, and sent to servicemen's centers in this city by pupils in Miss Trotter's classes.

According to George Nitchy, the state of Mississippi is north of the Ohio river. Maps are wonderful things to use once in a while! Jeannie Whitney nominates herself as "Miss Pigtails of 1943."

The Chess Club has called forth more intense mental activity from some of the male students than has been evident since the last semester exams.

Laura Williams has a mania for drug stores. She is incapable of going past one without stopping to eat.

Has everyone heard about the wrestling match between Sherie Shipley and a dish of spaghetti held recently in the cafeteria? Incidentally, Sherie lost the bout,

Miss Hanna gets a fiendish gleam in her eyes when she exclaims to the boys in her classes, "Just wait until the army gets you!"

After contemplation, concentration, and calculation over the sleeves in the dress she is making in sewing, Phyllis Baird declared, "Now I know why the Chinese wear sleeveless dresses!"

Because of certain desperate methods Miss Fairchild uses to collect money, her pupils have affectionately given her the name of Scrooge,

If the owner of locker 3478 will come to the front hall after school, will gladly trade a picture of "Crooner" Crosby for "Swooner" Sinatra.

Attention: Girls who would like to advertise your boy friends. "Available Jones" (Beverly Ferguson) will neatly apply his initials on your comb.

Bob Martin enjoyed himself at the student council dance even though they wouldn't let him smoke on the dance floor.

Mr. Shearer (to aeronautics class): "If we nad a double lab period we could take that engine completely apart and put it back together again." Bright (?) student's idea: "Well, take it apart anyway."

Mr. Spring was pleasantly surprised last week when a group marched in singing "Happy Birthday" and presented him with a little white cake. After strenuous effort he blew out the candles atop the cake. The singers were from Miss Eggleston's fourth hour class.

More girls are having trouble buying Christmas presents this year than ever before. The poignant problem is, what to get for that serviceman.

Marian Wilson can read upside down, side ways and mirror writing without a mirror. Believe it or not, she claims she can read right side up too!

Miss Bechtel says she just loves it when the girls call her "Mamma."

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#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

## Santa Fe Trail Marker

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class. "When I first saw Chuck, back in 1937, he was a skinny, undersized sophomore weighing 110 pounds," the coach related. "When he asked for a football uniform I promptly refused to allow him to practice with the second team because I felt sure I'd have to pick him up in little pieces after the first hard scrimmage. But the boy was so insistent that I finally gave in. Soon I realized that the little sophomore was one of the most remarkable lads I ever had met.

"Chuck always was the last one out of the gym. He seldom walked to his locker from the showers but swung hand over hand on the horizontal ladder the full length of the gym. By constant practice he perfected himself in every type of physical exercise and lettered in his last year in high school in the backfield.

"Following his graduation he at-tended M. U. where he was voted the student having the best developed body. In 1941 he captured the "Mr. Kansas City" title.

"Charles Spooner is living proof that "Persistence Wins.' I believe that al-most any boy could equal his accomplishments if he had the same iron determination and practiced as diligently, but I can point to only three or four others who worked so hard to further their physical development."

#### Students Mix Merrily at Council Dance

Everyone had a good time at the student council dance November 20. The festivities got off to an interesting start when all the lights were turned on and then promptly were turned low again. Correct atmosphere, you know. Some of the couples seen waltzing around were Stillwell and O'Brien, Jean Suffill and Jack Summerwell, Jim Abbott dragging Gloria Sackmann or visa versa, Edla Carlson and Stuart Talcroft, Barbara Butler and Joedan Saunders, Dehmer and Sevier and alumnus Dick Bugler looking mighty handsome in a nevy uniform. Incidentally, does anyone know the telephone number of that little number he had with him. The stags were well represented by Keith Chader, Guy May, Bob Evans, Kenny Britt, and Bob Martin.

A vote of thanks goes to the P.-T.A. for sponsoring this dance. We hope there will be many more like them.

In 1913, five years after the occupation of the present building, John La Mar Shouse, the vice principal, became principal. He remained in this position until 1929 when he was named assistant superintendent in charge of high schools.

Many interesting and important developments occurred during this period of Westport's history. Until 1914, the Herald was the only school publication. In 1914, by vote of the student body, the name of Westport Crier and a staff was chosen for a bi-weekly paper. During the World War, a new department was established called the "Military," now the ROTC. One year after it was established, the Westport battalion won the Rotary Club loving cup for the best drilled squad of eight in the city. In 1922, Westport Junior High School was established, whereby the four-year high school lost its freshman class. During the same year, the faculty presented a plan for the organization of a student council, and the Westport Parent-Teacher Association was founded.

J. H. Beckmann, who suceeded Mr. Shouse, was compelled to retire during the same year because of poor health.

"The Woman's Auxiliary to the Missouri State Medical Association" has announced its twelfth annual essay contest. Any high school student may submit an entry on the subject "Civil-ian Health in War Time." It must not exceed 1,200 words and must be type-written, double-spaced. The prizes are \$25, \$15, \$10 and there are ten \$1 prizes. The four best essays from Westport will be chosen to enter the contest. For further information, con-physical geography to the students of sult any English teacher.

Down on Gillham road stands one of the granite monuments that mark a section of the Santa Fe Trail. "Few who pass this way now are aware of the memories of Missouri's and Kansas City's pioneer days that are symbolized in that lonely-looking mono-lith," says John P. Gilday in a recent issue of the Kansas City Times.

The trail started in Independence. Various routes converged in the valley north of the school where the monument now stands. From that point the trail extended through old Westport and westward to the Shawnee Mission.

The two famous trails-the Santa Fe and the Oregon-"were traversed by the mountain men, the fur traders, the great explorers, the homeseekers of the far prairies and the valley lands, the hardy empire builders, who blazed the ways of seeking America to the southern gulf and the Pacific coast."

#### DRAFTING AND SHOP PUPILS STUDY AIRCRAFT ENGINE

The cover has been removed from Westport's recently acquired army aircraft engine and the drafting department and metal shops have been studying the action of the connective rods, on the motor rod, and the crank shaft.

Jigs and fixtures used in making ash trays have been borrowed and taken to the other shops of the schools in Kansas City for study. The metal shop soon will institute a point system in making ash trays so that boys who make as many as 25 trays will receive special consideration on their grades.

The metal shop also recently asquired a much needed bulletin board and a display board for blueprints.

Mr. Shearer addressed the science section of the Missouri State Teachers Association at its annual convention in St. Louis on the practical value of aeronautics.

## Among our Servicemen

Capt. Orson T. Smith, a Westport graduate, has received the Distinguished Flying Cross and ten Oak Leaf clusters for his participation in flights over Sicily and Italy.

Lt. James A. Warner, '39, is in line for receiving the Purple Heart for his many bombing missions.

P. F. C. Richard E. Woodling, '40, is in the Army's chemical warfare service.

Tech. Sgt. Leon Zusman, '39, is with the Army in Newfoundland.

Lt. William R. Gillist, '38, is now a prisoner of war and has received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Ira W. Ladd, '31, is stationed with the Navy at Pearl Harbor.

Ralph Bierworth, '43, is in the Army Air Corps.

Tom Mastin, '43, is with the Army Engineers in Oregon.

Reported missing an action is Lieutenant Harold S. Diel, '37, now in the Army Air Corps. He has been in Africa and has participated in raids over Yugoslavia and Greece. His father, a veteran of the first World War, recently was wounded in action in the Pacific theater of war. He is a member of the Seabees and is now in a Naval hospital.

Celia Rothberg ,'35, is taking a midshipman's course at Smith College, Northampton, Mass, after which she will receive a commission as an ensign.

Kenneth Willet, '41, is in the Army Medical Corps.

Eugene De Fries, '34, is in the Navy.

Joe McCambridge, '43, is in the Marine Corps.

Charles Banaka, '41, is an Army sergeant overseas.

Jean P. Berg, '34, is an instructor in the Army Air Corps.

Tom Dunfee, '41, is in the Navy. Orrin J. Dunfee, '40, is a sergeant in

the Tank Destroying Division. Louise De Lapp, '40, is a WAVE Pharmacist's mate second-class in Philadelphia, Penn.

Pvt. Harold E. Emmert, '37, recently stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, has been sent overseas.

J. K. Kennedy, former physical education instructor, is a lieutenant, jun-ior grade, in the Navy. After he left here he was assistant director of phys-

ical education in Madison, Wis. Pvt. John C. Cochran, '43, is an electric engineer in the Army in New York City.

P.F.C. E. J. Mills, '40, is an Army engineer in Hawaii.

Cadet Gordon A. Crowe, '40, with the Engineers at Indiana University, recently received the highest mid-term grades in a class of 400 men.

Jim Guinotte, '42, now stationed at Parkville in the Navy V-12 training program, recently received a Congressional appointment to West Point.

Bob Bennett, '43, is stationed at Compton, Cal.

Lt. Douglas Jackson, '39, Army Air Corps Flight Surgeon.

Ralph Bierwerth, '42, is taking basic training for the Air Corps in Fort Knox.

## Up and Down the Corridors

Coach G. V. Bourrette and Nick Carras attended a dinner Friday, December 3, given by the Business Men's Association.

Dorothy Cortelyou and Eddie Mc-Leroy were among the 100 invited guests at a reception given last week in honor of the great concert pianist, Robert Casadesus.

The certificates for the football lettermen were typed by Marybelle Wright.

James Boyd, a new member of the student body, hails from Jefferson City.

Phoebe Matchett was elected program chairman of the inter-club council of the Girl Reserves.

Dorothy Mae Pierce, '41, and Pvt. Walter Childs were married in Em-poria, Kans., November 6.

Ruth O'Bester, Phoebe Matchett, and Delores Roller participated in a Russian folk dance at the International Bazaar held by the Y. W. C. A. No-vember 18. Various groups of the Y. W. C. A. each had a booth representing one of our Allies. The Girl Reserves from all over the city planed the Russian booth, at which Russian food and trinkets were sold and the dancing was a feature attraction.

Frances and Lucille Nekuda were presented in a recital last week, as pupils of Lois Black Hunt. Also participating was Julia Doerschuk, '43.

John Irwin studied over four years on "Carnival of Venice," which he played in the Thanksgiving assembly. The long last strain was played while taking only two breaths.

A featured exhibit in room 315 several weeks ago was a grass skirt from New Guinea sent to Shirley High by her brother in the air corps.

Typing awards for this month have been won by Bernadine Heinrich, 50; Phyllis Mimran, 40; Maurine Filson, 30; Rose Marie Purdom, Marguerite Sherman, Edith Brown, 20.

Miss Lucy Smoot, former principal of the Norman school, has been appointed assistant in room 312 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons.

Miss Keeler's speech classes are starting their Christmas material. The beginning students will read a oneact play, "Footballs and Powder Puffs," and the advanced pupils will do scenes from "The Goose Hangs High" by Louis Beach.

Ten Westport girls were interviewed by a representative of McCall magazine. The information obtained will be used for future editorials and articles.

During the meeting of the Junior Red Cross November 17, the round table discussed the problem of delin-quency. Stuart Talcroft was selected as chairman from Westport. Representatives of several high schools reported that their schools had clubs for the boys and girls to attend in the evenings. Members at this meeting wondered what the majority of the high school students did in the evenings. Losts of articles to send to veterans in their Christmas boxes were distributed.

Officers elected in Miss Gales' fifth hour speech class were Jeannine Allen, president; Gayle Timberlake, vicepresident; Barbara Ellis, secretary; Bonnie Lou Davis, treasurer; Alfred Zebel, sergeant-at-arms; James Saffron, host; Mary Hubbard, hostess; Anna Marie Hershberg, parliamentarian.

Eugene De Fries, '38, now radio electrician first class in the U. S. Navy, addressed the aeronautic's classes December 1. His remarks dealt mainly with the necessity of accuracy in sending and receiving radio code messages. He has been stationed in one of the large navy radio stations near Washington, D. C., for several months.

Physiography students are trying to unravel the "station model" and the teletype hourly sequence weather reports. The station model gives the complete weather report at any given time. The sequence reports give wea-ther conditions at a series of stations along a civil airway. From the pilot's standpoint the important items are cloudiness, cloud ceiling, visibility, temperature, dew point, wind direction, nature of precipitation, and wind velocity. This information on the "station model" will be very useful to students who are planning to be pilots.

The Victory Art Workshop boys are camoflouging model airplanes for use by the Navy for training.

During the month of December, a display from the Nelson Art Gallery will be exhibited in one of the display cases in the front hall. For the purpose of celebrating the art gallery's tenth anniversary, similar exhibits will be shown in every high school in Kansas City.

A club is being orgainzed for pupils intertested in Latin. The first meeting will be this Friday at 4 o'clock in room 215. A novel and interesting pro-gram has been planned.

Girls in their new winter formals and lads in their "Sunday best" will swing out to the rhythm of an orches-tra at the "Snow Ball," the Christmas dance sponsored by Girl Reservos. This dance will be held at the Y. W. C. A. December 11 or 12. Those eligible to buy tickets must be Girl Reserves with dues paid, and must have attended at least half of the meetings. Tickets may be obtained through Shirley Elliott or Miss Durboraw.

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#### War Stamp Council Starts Slogan Contest

A slogan contest sponsored by the War Stamp Council soon will be open to every regular purchaser of War Stamps. This means that 80 per cent of the school will be eligible. The adopted slogan will be used as the emblem of the War Stamp Council. Prizes of War Stamps will be given, with a \$5 first prize, followed by a second prize of \$1, and a third of \$.50. The rules will be published in the next issue so watch for the next Crier and start thinking of your slogan to be submitted.

Only one room so far has received the 100 per cent pennant. Miss Cardi's room 120 already has filled their entire quota for the semester. The pennant is of red, white, and blue with a "W" in the center and will be displayed on the transom above the door. Miss Gales says that the pennant should be an added impetus to us. "We must all work harder to fill our quota for Westport," she said Friday.

#### MANY FOUND ARTICLES AWAIT LOST OWNERS

Items recently turned in at the Lost and Found station are a blue bag, containing gym clothes, marked "N. Marshal"; a pair of black and grey tennis shoes on which the name Marion is legible; a boy's green and brown sweater with leather padding at the elbows; a bright red scarf about oneyard square; a girl's beige coat of a large size; a zipper note-book with papers belonging to Bernadine Heinrich; an American history text with "Gamma" printed on its side; books entitled "Russian Silhouettes" and "Adventures in English Literature," on which is written "Penny Taylor."

Among the articles reported missing are a black Shaeffer fountain pen and a Latin book by Dorothy Cunningham; an English text book by Charles Mullis; two scarfs, one brown and the other white, by Nadine Barger.

Articles not claimed, after being kept in the Lost and Found for two weeks will be given to worthy charitable agencies. Students are urged to call promptly for lost items.

#### P.T.-A. Hears Panel Talks

Discussing "Community Life in Democracy" five students from the public speaking classes participated in a P.-T.A. panel November 23. Jackie Reed discussed "World Understanding," Marybelle Wright talked on "Work versus School," Ted Foote discussed "Delinquency" and Helen Dodds talked on "Merits of Part-time Work." Charles Hulse acted as chairman. With these five participating in the panel a total of twenty-four public speaking students have spoken outside the classrooms.

June Sutoris, '42, and Bob Riche, '40, were married recently. Both have sisters who are seniors this year — Rene Sutoris and Jane Riche,

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Former Teacher Returns



Kenneth R. Evans, former science teacher, now Chief Petty Officer, boatswain's mate, at Great Lakes Naval Training Station, returned to Kansas City'for a brief visit before Thanksgiving. He is company commander assigned to recruit training work.

He explained that his duties consist mainly of changing the habits of recruits from civilian to military life. Cleanliness and discipline are stressed. He assigns acting officer and noncommissioned officer positions to men who have had former military training, most of it in high school. R.O.T.C.

The course at the base originally was planned to last twelve weeks but the time was cut to seven weeks and a few pass it in a shorter period.

The main subjects that should be taken in preparation for the navy, said Mr. Evans, are sciences, including human science, physics, and chemistry, and math, and commercial subjects. R.O.T.C. is of great value for it teaches discipline as well as military drill. Discipline seems to be the hardest fundamental to teach.

Another preparation is good care of the teeth, for many naval cadets have bad teeth and must pass through the dental clinic before they are given permanent assignments. Mr. Evans wishes to impress deeply on the minds of the high school students the importance of their high school record and quoted a slogan which is repeated frequently in training stations,

"Study your lessons while you are young,

So in the Navy you won't get stung."

Unable to penetrate the zone defense of their rangy opponents, Westport dropped a 27-11 decision in their opening league game with Washington Rural high Friday afternoon.

This non-league game was played before a capacity crowd in the gym. Kristolic led the Washington Rural attack with 10 points, while Carras, with 3 free throws and a bucket, led the Tiger offensive.

## The Clubs in Action

Speech Arts club will hold its Christmas party meeting on Friday in room 218. Guests of honor will be Joy Carnahan, Joicie Rule, Marguerite Ahern, Barbara Bane, Annabel Hurley, Tom Doty, Douglas Humphreys, Homer Farris, Eugene Gerber, Gaynelle Irving, Betty Osborn and Betty Sprink. A feature of the program will be the presentation of "Nathan Hale," act 4 given by Joe Fichter, Lester Brockenberry, Evelyn Stout and Tom Doty.

The Alpha Lyra club presented November 30, an orchestra concert directed by Jerome Mandl. The orchestra, including players from Westport, Central, Southwest and Junior College played several selections including the ever popular "Stradella Overture," by Flotow.

New members recently admitted to the Jules Guerin art club are Phyllis Baird, Alice Byrne, Doris Fränk, Morton Galitzky, Powell Galitzky, Joan Hood, Richard Hunt, Delores Hunter, Jean La Turin, Bob Mathews, Wilma Miller, Shirley Newman, Betty Oakes, Julia Parkins, Martha Porter, Nancy Sappenfield, Joan Warfsman, Beverly West, Dorothy Wolch and Lucille Martin.

The club is sponsored by Miss Wilhite. Members have agreed to make favors for the Junior Red Cross. to be used for soldiers' Christmas dinners.

The members of Pundit literary society were entertained at their last meeting by a program put on by the new members with Marian Pugh as chairman. Participants were Marilyn Haggard, Donann Cartmel, Dorothy Cortelyou, Jane Bucher, Barbara Young, Jean Wilkinson, Julia Wilkinson, Betty Bedford, Nancy Barnes, Amy Guinotte, Mary Guinotte, Polly Tucker, Barbara Harrington, Martha Sharpsteen, Paula Ruth Julius, Dorothy Johnston.

Promethean literary society held its first meeting for the new members on Friday. The high ideals for which Promethean stands were explained to the newcomers and parts of the constitution were read. A Thanksgiving program was presented by Sherie Shipley, Julianne Aaron, Margaret Ekholm, Peggy Brandenburg, Grace Davis.

David Hochberg was elected president at the first meeting of the War Information Group. The other officers are Dick Ross, Sophia Barash, Millicent Sheets, and Lewis Bacon, the vicepresident, secretary, program chairman, and publicity manager, respectively.

The purpose of the WIGS is to inform the members about war problems. The Red Cross, Civilian Defense, rationing, and induction will be discussed in future meetings. All Westporters interested are invited to a meeting tonight in room 212. December 8, 1943

Meet the Team

The tallest member of this year's Tiger squad is Bob O'Brien. Bob's altitude is 6 feet, 3 inches and he is counted on heavily by Coach Chubb this season. Playing at either center or forward position, Bob is a dangerous scoring threat at all times.

Further proof of his versatility may be found on another court, for he plays number one doubles on the tennis team.

One of the two returning basketball lettermen, he will be eligible for both semesters this year.

Off the court, Bob may be found most mornings in the auditorium chatting about science and such with Lois Stillwell, at least chatting.

The other returning letterman is "handsome" Bill Feagans. At 6 feet 1 inch he will give additional height to the squad. A guard in basketball, Bill also plays a pretty fair end in football.

Only a junior this year, Feagans is one of the few Westpc ers who received letters as a sophomore. Although he did not start a game last year, he played in over 20 quarters and received valuable experience which will make him a threat to opposing quintets this year and next.

#### "LATIN ADDS TO JOY OF LIVING," JUDGE DECLARES

"Latin and the other classics are second only to the ministry for the enrichment of life and the joy of living," Justice William A. Smith of the Kansas Supreme Court told the Classical Society of Greater Kansas City at its last meeting. Declaring that he has been constantly reminded of his study of Latin since he left high school, he urged the encouragement of studying the classics.

Justice Smith, after being graciously introduced by Henry J. Haskell, editor of the Kansas City Star, stressed cultural teaching during formative years, adding, "Don't get the idea that a boy is a jug into which you can pour a course of study and have him some out educated."

Among the thirty members who attended the meeting at the Hyde Park hotel were Miss Lash, treasurer of the organization, Miss Eggleston, Miss Brubaker, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Shouse.

The latest project of the first year home economics class is preparing a simple breakfast consisting of tomato juice, canned in the earlier part of the year, cocoa, and toast with jelly or marmalade which had been prepared for such an occasion.

The girls soon learned that to set a table attractive to the eye and which makes the food more appealing is as much a work of art as sewing a dress together.

The class is divided into four groups. One group serves one day and the next day they eat. THE WESTPORT CRIER

## Goot Ball Captain

Star and co-captain of Westport's football team is Nick Carras. This 16year-old junior is 5 feet, 11 inches tall and weighs 160 pounds.

First semester of last year he enrolled in seventh hour gym and performed an outstanding feat by earning his football letter as a sophomore.

This year as regular half back and the only junior on the team, he continued his

stellar career by making the allcity eleven. Nick made all but two of Westport's 45 points this season, 37 in the league and 6 outside, a total of 43.

Members of the opposing teams said Nick hit the line harder than anyone else of his

NICK CARRAS

own weight. Coach Bourrette attributes this to the fact that Nick always is in top condition and obeys all training rules.

The coach also said Nick is a modest fellow who takes his coaching seriously and tries hard to rectify his mistakes.

The all-city eleven is picked by the school coaches and sports reporters who covered the games. For the last eight years Westport has been represented by from one to three players each year.

#### Public Speakers Start Interclass Debate Series

The best debaters in the interclass debates in Mr. King's public speaking classes will be selected to represent Westport in non-decison bouts.

Debates are scheduled as follows: November 29, hour 1, Marilyn Haggard and Jackie Reed, affirmative, versus Donald Ogilvie and Eddie Stewart, negative; hour 5, Rita Terry and Beverly Van Bibber, affirmative, versus Danny Tropp and Elizabeth Viscofsky, negative. November 30, hour 1, Stuart Talcroft and Sheryl Holland, affirmative, versus Jack Brown and Charles Compton, affirmative, versus Helen Dodds and Gloria Sackman, negative, December 1, hour 1, Jerome Mandl and Marybelle Wright, affirmative, versus the Skalitzky and Virginia Wright, negative; hour 5, Jean Wilkinson and Julia Wilkinson, affirmativé, versus Charles Hulse and Rogers Hall, negative. December 2, hour 1, Dick Chapman and Leon Levin, affirmative, versus Marilyn Orr and Joy Sandstedt, negative; bour 5, Carl Erickson and Carl James affirmative, versus Bill Canterbury and Glen Enis, negative, December 3, hour 1, Myron Edwards and Eugene Gerber, affirmative, versus Charles Averill and Al DeShong, negative; hour 5, Douglas Humphrey and Ted Foote, affirmative, versus Virginia Church and Edla Carlson, negative. December 6, hour 1, Sophia Barash and Tressa Kumble, affirmative, versus Robert Jones and Ed McMahan, negative; hour 5, Phyllis Ahl and Mary Lou McFarland, affirmative, versus Ralph Peterson and Frank Schroeder, negative. December 7, hour 1. Beverly Ann Legg and Betty Lou Pieree, affirmative, versus Don Covert and Helen Ruth Masonbrink, negative; hour 5, Kathleen Butterworth and Doris Cantwell, affirmative, versus Bob Martin and Bob Waltman, negative, December 8, hour 5, Newton Campbell and Dorothy Johnston, affirmative, versus Jim Lenk and Eugene Lund, negative.

#### Clothing Pupils Prepare Christmas Gift Boxes

The Niles Home for colored children is expecting another visit from Westport's clothing girls.

Every year at Christmas time Miss Durboraw's first year clothing classes prepare a box, or several boxes, of donated clothing, sweaters, shirts, hats, shoes; and some little dresses made by the girls. Also included are trinkets, such as costume jewelry, small pocketbooks, and Christmas stockings made by the girls and filled with candy and fruit. The colored boys and girls, all under 12 years of age, always are overjoyed by these generous gifts.

The Girl Reserves are helping sponsor this demonstration of the Christmas spirit. Gifts of "junk" jewelry, small girlish pocketbooks, or toys for both boys and girls will be accepted gratefully if brought to room 107. Clothing and shoes also are welcomed.

#### **PTA Luncheon Guests**

Miss Trotter, Miss Gales, Miss Bechtel, Mr. King, Mr. Miner, and Mr. Harris were guests at the last P.-T.A. luncheon. Several new members attended the meeting at 2:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. Five members of Mr. King's classes gave a panel discussion on "Problems of Youth in a World at War." Charles Hulse was chairman, with Ted Foote, Eugene Lund, Jackie Reed and Maribelle Wright participating in the discussion. Glen Todd gave a trombone solo and John Irvin played a trumpet solo. After the program a Thanksgiving tea was held in the cafeteria. There will be no December meeting of the P.-T.A.

#### Many Junior Red Cross Projects Completed in Shops

Junior Red Cross projects prove convincingly that the boys in the wood and metal shops are all out for victory. The woodwork classes have completed fifty bed-side tables for wounded men, have donated a pair of crutches, and now are making fifty Chinese checker boards. Some of the metal classes have finished fifty ash trays.

Most of these projects were completed during "Education Week" and their construction was demonstrated in Emery Bird's "Education for Victory display window. Robert O'Neill, Richard Hunt, Jimmie Littrell and Bill McMahon demonstrated woodwork problems, and Howard-Roe, Billy Harte and George Jocker, showed their skill as metal workers.

Highlight of the Thanksgiving Assembly was the introduction of class officers. Margie Stauffer introduced senior class president Bob Ferber, who in turn presented each of the other class presidents and officers. Several selections were given by the band. Stanley Hoffman, violinist, played Concerto Number Seven and John Irvin, a newcomer to Westport, played a solo on his cornet. Two quartets sang "Thanks Be to God."



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#### 55 Candidates on Hand at First Cage Practice

Greeted by fifty-five candidates for the squad at the first practice session, Coach G. T. Chubb is looking forward to a prosperous basketball season. Good Tiger teams have not been uncommon since Coach Chubb took over in 1935. The banner season was three years ago when the Tigers not only were undefeated in league play but advanced far in the state tournament, finishing third.

Bill Feagans and Bob O'Brien are the two returning lettermen. Feagans, a junior, and O'Brien, a senior, both are over the 6-foot mark and are regarded highly by Coach Chubb, along with speedy Dick Cox, football allstar, Nick Carras, and others.

After practice officially opened November 22, the beginning squad was trimmed to thirty players.

The first league game will be with Southwest, a traditional rival, Friday evening, January 7, at 8:45 o'clock. This game will be played at Rockhurst because the auditorium will be occupied that night.

Always an interesting game, the alumni will play the Tigers December 21. These boys are being brought together by Frank Wilkinson III and Dick Bugler, both '43. Bugler played on last year's squad while Wilkinson served as manager.

The job of manager has been turned over to James Earp, a center on the football squad. Because of a league rule only twelve men can be on a squad during the season. These will be selected from the following boys

who survived	the	first cut.
Dick Cox		Bob O'Brien
Nick Carras		Bob Zueco
Bill Feagans		Dean Melton
Bob Gershon		Bob Higgins
Gormon Davia		Jerry Huckstep
Charles Averill		Pat Dulaney
Bill McMahon		Gene Brock
Bill Carter		Gene Ryder
John Baum		Dean Evans
Norman Teeter		Bob Waltner
Jim Abbott		Dick Kent
Max Teeter		Bob Crouse
Bob Clelland		Bob Sims
Jack Miller		Clayton Cox
Richard Demott		

#### Speakers Point out Food Values

Students in the human science classes enlightened members of the Science club on the value of their daily meals at the last meeting of the Westport Science club, formerly the B. C. P. club. Lois Stillwell classified and gave examples of each article of food, Betty Bright described their uses, Betty Minier explained the importance of vita-mins and the slogan, "Food Fights for Victory," Mary Carpels detailed the proper amount of food intake per day. Ann Gilliat and Louise Hobson compared desirable and undesirable lunches that can be chosen from the school cafeteria. Other interesting facts were presented by Miss Bechtel.

Jeanette Luhnow's father proved that he is a loyal patron by his willing assistance during the paper drive. He lent his truck and his time for several days.

## Basket Ball Schedule

\*December 10 Shawnee-Mission (there at 4 o'clock) \*December 17 Ward. \*December 21 Alumni. January 7 Southwest (at Rockhurst at 8:45 o'clock). January 14 Southeast. January 21 Paseo. January 22 Central. \*January 28 Argentine, \*February 4 Open (Scheduled later).

\*February 11 Pembroke (here at 4:00).

- February 18 Northeast.
- February 21 East.
- February 25 Manual.

\* Designates non-league games.

#### Coach Announces List of Grid Lettermen

The football season over, Coach G. V. Bourrette announced last week a list of twenty lettermen. Of these twenty, only nine are upper classmen, leaving eleven lettermen for next year's squad. For this reason, Coach is looking forward to a banner season next year and a possible league championship.

Paced by powerful Nick Carras, the Tigers were constant threats despite their lowly position. Carras, a co-captain, has been chosen full captain next year, a reward for a great season.

The Tiger squad in appreciation of the fine coaching and aid of Coach Bourrette, presented him a \$25 War Bond.

Following are the lettermen and their year in school:

Frank Allison, Jr.	James Littrell, Sr.
Roy Brown, Sr.	Leonard Molotsky, Sr.
**Nick Carras, Jr.	Eddie Myers, Jr.
*Dick Cox, Sr.	Bill Paddock, Jr.
Pat Delaney, Soph	Bill Pattison, Jr.
James Earp, Jr.	Bob Schowengerdt, Sr.
Bill Feagans, Jr.	Ted Wales, Soph.
Walter Gates, Sr.	James Wattenbarger, Sr.
Bob Higgins, Jr.	Bob Webb, Mgr.
	Russell Borg, Mgr.
Dick Kent, Jr. *	
	Honorable Mention.

#### Second Team Letters Awarded

Gayle Chubb, coach, announced last week that the following fifteen boys have received second team football letters:

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Ted Altachul	Jack Ganzer
Eugene Banaka	Bob Kay
Gene Brock	Jim McClelland
Delmar Burton	Dean Melton
George Chattin	Bob Sims
Jack Clark	Dick Weinberg
Clayton Cox	Bob Zucco
Bob Crouse	

Attention gardeners! Now is the time to begin work on next spring's Victory Garden. The ground should be plowed, stumps and dead shrubbery should be uprooted to ease some of the strain on the farmers before the planting season arrives. During the Thanksgiving holidays Mr. Holloway, Mr. Bond, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Marshall, and about twenty other teachers from Southeast and Paseo began plowing a tract at Seventy-fourth and Troost for their spring gardens, hardening up their flabby muscles in preparation for the strenuous task ahead.

#### SENIORS WN HOCKEY TITLE IN FINAL GAME

The conclusion of the girls' hockey season found the senior A team heading the list with three victories in three games. The juniors were run-ners-up with two out of three. The sophomores were third and the senior B's brought up the rear.

The senior A's had a powerful forward line and an excellent backfield and the combination had little difficulty in defeating the other squads.

The juniors displayed strength in their early games and, although defeated by the senior A team, threatened constantly throughout that contest.

The sophomores developed a fast, promising team and showed amazing teamwork when they defeated the senior B's in a well-earned victory.

Though winding up the season in the cellar position, the senior B's fought valiantly and gave the senior A's a scare in their first game, losing only 0 - 1.

The annual hockey party was held in the gym at the end of the last game. Unusual races and games kept the things lively and refreshments of ice cream and sugar cookies disappeared in a short time. The hockey managers, Paula Julius, Betty Golding and Helen Root deserve praise for a very suc-cessful hockey season and a grand party.

At the close of the party Miss Fairchild awarded the All-Star rating to the following girls:

Seniors: Edla Carlson, Jean Fleck, Betty Golding, Gail Goodrich, Paula Julius, Josephine Miller, Betty Lou Rea (capt.), Marguerite Sherman, Betty Toff, Norma Dehmer, Norma Kindsvater, Virginia Mantice.

Juniors: Barbara Taff, Joan Hood, Helen Root, Martha Sharpsteen, Connie Barry, Vir-ginia North, Eugenia Beaumont. Sophomores: Mary Blalack, Dixie Hardman, Dorothy Hubbard.

#### Emma Schuler Champion Collector in Waste Paper Campaign

Emma K. Schuler was the champion contributor in the waste paper campaign. She brought 940 pounds to school.

The amount collected by the entire school totaled 27,100 pounds, an average of 161/2 pounds per student. Home room 312 had the biggest total, 2,437 pounds. Room 314 was second with 2,391 pounds and room 117, third, contributed 1,447 pounds. The average in room 117 was 58 pounds per person. (There's a rumor around that a few people threw in their Latin books.)

Ten pounds was found in an aban-doned locker. Fourth hour monitors collected 5 pounds of discarded gum and candy wrappers. Jackie Dunlap turned in 3 pounds of notes from forgotten admirers.

Lieut. Robert Harrison Higby, '36, has been reported missing in action in the South Pacific. Last April he was awarded the Silver Star for participation in the Casablanca landing.

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## Dr. Hunt Wishes All a Merry Christmas

To My High School Friends: Speaking recently at assemblies at Central High School, I said that a penalty imposed upon a superintendent of schools in a system the size of Kansas City's was the denial of opportunity to come to meet and to know the student body. I suggested, therefore, that in part, at least, these semi-monthly "chats" served as visits. Certainly I hope that they are so regarded although I confessed at Central that I did not know how widely read were my letters to you which I have been writing now for three years. Occas-ionally some thought expressed prompts an editorial which I always enjoy reading; other times some deletion suggests disagreement, disregard or just plain space limitation. (Curiosity always prompts me to won-der just what the reason when copy is cut!) Not long ago when a high school student, a navy volunteer, came in to say good-bye telling me that my letters made him feel that he knew me I was rewarded indeed. One way cor-respondence, however, is never much fun.

But getting back to Central's assemblies (held in two sessions because of auditorium limitations) it was a delightful experience to come to know that fine student body and to catch the spirit that is Central's. Student officers presided and student talent entertained. Especially enjoyable were orchestral selections, a chorus of "Stout-Hearted Men" and a splendid mixed trio. The occasion will long be remembered.

Participation in Southwest High School's annual football banquet where fathers, sons and faculty men sat down to bountifully laid tables of turkey with all the "trimmings" was a post-football season highlight. The occasion featured good fellowship at its best. I hope that our other high schools have similar get-togethers. They cannot help but be productive of understanding.

A morning at Northeast Junior High School permitted witnessing an excellent play produced originally for American Education Week, two gym classes joining for instruction in socialized dancing and some superior classroom work.

How I enjoy my visits about the system and how I wish that I could get into all of our splendid schools with greater frequency! While I like especially to drop in on "surprise calls" I'm always glad to visit for a specific purpose when I'm so invited. Will you remember that please?

Before another opportunity for a chat by letter rolls around it will be Christmas. Such recognition prompts

## Yuletide



#### CHRISTMAS EVE

The Yule-log is burning In the old-fashioned fire-place, And good cheer is teeming In each glowing face. The stockings are hanging On the mantle's broad shelf All set to be filled By Santa's wee elf. The tree is well lighted With tapers that glow Reflecting their light On the make believe snow. Dim silhouettes dance On the shadowy wall; And faint carols are heard Of the Babe in a stall.

-Emma K. Schuler.

a most sincere and hearty holiday greeting to you all. I hope that all of you will have a genuinely Merry Christmas, a grand vacation and that the New Year will usher in victory, peace and happiness.

Sincerely yours,

Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools.

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Frances Louise Jackson, '39, now is a Wave at Smith College.

## 4 Teachers to Say "Goodbye" Tomorrow

Tomorrow four members of the faculty will say, "Merry Christmas and goodbye," for, having reached the age of retirement, they are leaving the school system. The teachers are Miss Loula Van Neman, Mr. Hale, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Irene Armstrong.

Miss Van Neman came here in 1908, the year the present building was occupied. She was a botany teacher and lately has been an assistant in the health center. Mr. Hale, who also came in 1909, has taught both shop and math. Mr. Philips came in 1908 as a Spanish teacher and since that time has never been tardy and absent only ten days. Miss Armstrong, formerly a study hall supervisor, is an assistant in the school office.

The new teachers retirement law will become operative January 1, 1944. When school employees reach the age of 62 they may retire on a pension. Retirement is compulsory after they become 70. This pension plan is not state wide. Teachers will contribute part of the money for the pensions and the rest will be taken from the operating fund of the school district.

Last spring a farewell party was given for the retiring teachers by the faculty but arrangements for setting up the system could not be completed until the first of the year and the four resumed their duties in September.

One hundred fifty-three school employees will retire January 1. Among them are John L. Shouse, former principal of Westport and assistant superintendent of schools who was a special assignment teacher here after retiring from active service three years ago, and Miss Sophia Rosenberger, teacher of English in Westport for thirtytwo years. The 1941 Herald was dedicated to Miss Rosenberger when she gave up teaching.

#### HOMECOMING GRADS TO BE WELCOMED TOMORROW

Homecoming graduates will present a varied program on the annual Christmas assembly tomorrow. After being welcomed by Gail Goodrich, visiting alumni will give brief informal talks and readings and render musical selections. Messages from absent graduates will be read.

The homecoming meeting will open at 10 o'cleck with the assembly **B** group atending. Assembly A will be held at 9:10 o'clock.

The home-coming assembly programs were made by Alice Whipple, Dolores Roller, Jean Wade, Juanita Carlson, Mary Alice Bays, Barbara Freman, Marybelle Wright, Natalie Thornbrough, Barbara Golden, Joyce Murrell.

#### War Calls for Renewal of Faith on Christmas Day

"And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.'"

"-and on earth peace, goodwill toward men," sang the angels over two thousand years ago.

To hasten the day when peace will reign on earth American boys are fighting and dying on the sea and on far-flung battlefields. In our second year of war countless homes will have a vacant place at the table on Christmas day. Our saddened hearts must lift with the joy of the carols to renew our faith, and the voices of the angels of peace will be heard again.

#### Jobholders Are Losers if They Neglect Studies

Much of the burden of the manpower shortage this year has fallen on the shoulders of high school students. Many pupils go directly from school to their part-time jobs. Many have lightened their courses in order that they may do both their school work and their job well. But there are a few who seem to take interest only in their outside work. Attracted by the high wages that have never before been offered to high school students, they neglect their work and spend their classtime half asleep. They think they are doing their patriotic duty by working outside, never realizing, or perhaps not caring that when they neglect their studies they are falling down on the job. They work in a shop or store for good wages and feel a glow of smug satisfaction at the service they are rendering their country, and yet neglect the homework, forgetting that each book is insurance of work in the future, if it is mastered, that each pencil at work is a bomb for the enemy, and each classroom is helping him store up an arsenal of mental ammunition for use on the battlefield.

## It Sez Here

Brr-the cold weather really moved in on us last week. Maybe that's the explanation for the many absences. Anyway, we are rather dubious over the fact that all students who are absent are working. Perhaps it's that little gremlin called flu.

Nancy Barnes must be a new member of the W Club. At least that's the impression we got when she popped out with that shiny pin.

If many of your friends go around forecasting the weather, don't think ey're crazy. Probably they're just over-zealous physiography students. they're crazy.

Margie Walthall's new fad of wearing red rimmed glasses without any Ienses is really novel. My, what can't you buy at the five and ten these days! Jack Summerwell might well be called "Cupid." Almost every day he can Almost every day he can

be seen matchmaking or "fixing someone up." We always knew Donna Mueller and Jean Fleck had peculiar tastes but,

eating grape sandwiches is going a little bit too far. They claim plain grapes are good but they taste much better in a sandwich.

Tom Doty never lets the lights bother him. When they do, he (being quite tall) simply reaches up and takes them out.

The cold weather prompted some students to appear in red knee-length socks. Besides being warm, they're cute.

The fifth hour public speaking class was rather surprised when Gene Lund began reading from the Odyssey. Gene claims he is misunderstood and that

Guess what our football hero's favorite pastime is? Making paper air-planes. Got any other hidden talents, Nick?

Bob Martin says he wants to finish high school before he goes into the army. Remember Bob, after you reach 20, you have to pay. Eileen Wright believes in that old saying "absence makes the heart grow

fonder," only she didn't realize it until she saw him again.

We hear the latest fashion in hair styles is cork screw curls. Looks as if many of Westport's females tried it recently, too.

It's the Christmas spirit. Virginia Church has been answering the phone with "Merry Christmas, this is Virginia."

The newest greeting heard in the halls is "Salomey." Some think it is carried too far when they continue with "all roads lead to Rome. Eternal shall be our love, oh brother." This seems to be the language of the so-called "Buddies Club."

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.





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## Homework Hints

1. Have a vague idea of the assignment. (It is unnecessary to know the exact lesson, just so parents think you're busy).

2. Take only the book you plan to read. (Dictionaries, reference books, etc., will make more work for you.)

3. Go into a room with rest of family. (You don't want to miss their conversation.)

4. Find the most comfortable chair, the divan if you can get it (so you can stretch out).

5. Turn on favorite radio program. 6. Lay book aside and prepare a pea-

nut butter and jelly sandwich (this will give you more energy to think).

7. Try to find book. Hint: look in kitchen.)

8. Begin to read-eating sandwich, too, of course.

9. Try a dry cloth to get food stain from book.

10. Pet dog. (He needs attention, too, as well as homework).

11. Get bowl of water for thirsty dog.

12. After turning out kitchen light, stumble over dog's drinking water.

13. Mop up water.

14. Find newspaper and see what else is on radio.

15. While you have the paper, read comic strips and "They'll do it Every Time."

16. Change radio program.

17. Set watch according to radio time.

18. Call up classmate and see if lesson is hard and what progress he's made.

19. Talk to him for half hour or so. 20. Begin to read lesson. (Dull, isn't it?)

21. Don't be mad at parent who wakes you.

22. Decide you are too tired to study and go to bed.

## When a Fledgling Takes Air Corps Test

This is the authentic record of a memorable day when twenty-three candidates for the Army Air Corps, including one nervous Westporter, took their examination for aviation cadet training.

Arriving at the Wyandotte County Court House at 7:55 o'clock in the morning the anxious fledglings waited for the festivities to begin. Finally two aspiring generals who are starting from the bottom of the ladder (privates to you), loaded with pencils, books and papers, conducted the group into a large, well lighted room,

Papers were okayed-applications, parent consent affadavits, birth certifcates and letters of recommendation. An excitable little corporal then directed attention to a strange color-spotted chart and gave the gentle but firm command, "Read the numbers on the chart." Numbers? What numbers? Finally the dawn broke and the lads discovered that the color spots formed numbers. "Well" was the impatient word from the corporal. Grasping the situation in a flash (20 to 30 seconds) the answer was "twenty-nine." So So began an exasperating search for numbers. This lasted until 18 or 17 color charts were displayed and a some-

what dubious okay was given. Pride swelled in the chests of the applicants. They were not color blind. Red was red and green was green. The first obstacle had been hurdled with ease.

Soon a volume with the general dimensions of the "Enyclopedia Brittanica" and the somewhat unassuming title "Test Booklet 1-966" was issued. The answer sheets were distributed with spaces for 500 answers. Recovering from the shock everyone was prepared to begin the test. The die was cast. In the words of the im-mortal Hamlet, "To be (an aviation cadet) or not to be (an aviation cadet) was the question.'

The first test question would have been easy for an electrical engineer. It concerned bells, batteries and how to wire them so as to make the bells ring. Time was called before half the bells were ringing. Oh well, there always are other days and other tests.

The next part of the test went something like this: Two little boys were walking down the street. Said one to the other, "I now have 5 cents. If I spend 3 cents for candy, how long will it take an Eskimo to paddle across the Yukon river" After three hours of intense application the tired and hungry toilers were released for lunch.

"Come back in half an hour and don't eat too much," the corporal warned and with a gleam in his eye he added, "Those who passed this exam will take their physical this after-noon."

Mrs. Wheeler, wife of Merton Wheeler, instructor in metals, is act-ing as reader in the typing classes.

## Under the Clock

Mr. Bourrette can give very good advice on how to clean cooking utensils. Ideas which have worked successfully were exchanged in his class.

"Tyrone Power" was the answer of a responsive pupil in Miss Hanna's seventh hour class, after a discussion of India.

Miss Hanna had asked, "Who was the great man who gave up his high caste to help the unfortunate people in 'The Rains Came'?"

Blue potatoes! Ask Melba Nelson how they are. She dyed a bandanna in a kettle and cleaned it thoroughly, so she thought. Later when the pot was used for potatoes, they turned a beautiful blue.

Sherry Holland says she knows what she needs for popularity, but she doesn't have the will-power to get rid of it.

Jo-Ann Carlson and Eddy Wagner wish to announce their third anniversary. They've been going steady three weeks now.

Elaine Britt is either too young or too old, we're not sure which.

Mr. King. "Harry, what's your first name?"

Norma Dehmer wants her friends to give her a surprise birthday party. She'll furnish the cash and place to have it. She'll also mail the invitations.

Stuart Talcroft has been moved so much in his English class that he has occupied virtually every seat.

Mr. King's fifth hour was rather surprised, when, in the middle of his debate, Bob Waltner started telling a joke.

Margie Stauffer says her dad belongs to a club called the "W.P.A."

"Do you want me to turn into a hard-boiled top sergeant or some-thing?" asks Miss Shelley when her pupils start talking.

These Taff sisters have such dominating ways!

Clara Johnson is certainly popular with her fellow human science sufferers. So far this year, she has been able to predict every test!

An uninvited guest slept through both assemblies recently. A little black puppy curled up in a seat near the back of the auditorium and slumbered unbothered.

Heard at the sophomore party-"Madam, I would like to dance with that pretty girl in the yellow sweater; how do I go about it?"

At the sophomore mixer one could see some mighty "big" sophomores. Or were they seniors ?

A verbose member of the public speaking class was rather chagrined when a desperate fellow member flash-ed a hastily scrawled "Time" card in front of him.

Bringing teacher an apple seems to be the vogue again. At least Betty Fluke thinks so and on test day too.

When asked in what department of the store she clerked, a senior girl re-plied, "The necking department." Someone should inform her that it is called the neckwear department.

Mary Alice Nelson wants everyone to know that her middle name is not "Louise."

"It's 12 o'clock noon. You now are in tune with the Dinner-Bell-Round-up Gals" is heard each day in the cafeteria. Rose Marie Purdom, Ruth O'Bester, Dorothy Cunningham, Anita Boresow, Alice Jean Bailey and Betty Warner comprise this noon sextet.

The process of changing Westport damsels into female commandos seems distinctly painful, judging from the comments of the lady athletes.

#### FRESHMAN WIT

Parody to the "Wonderful One Hoss Shay"

You see, of course, if you're not a dunce,

And we went to pieces all at once, All at once and nothing first, Just as bubbles do when they burst. End of the wonderful football team, Logic is logic, we're off the beam.

#### SEWING

I think that I shall never know

- Just exactly how to sew. A needle, a thread, a tear and a rip A darling little cheesecloth slip.
- A dress that looks like shame on me

A failure for the world to see. Pajamas that are loud and long

- And hang like sacks where tucks be-
- long.

Oh please, kind teacher, can't you see That sewing's not the thing for me. So please have pity, gosh, oh gee, Overlook the seams and give me "E." -June Beaver, Shirley Morris.

Consider Patriot Elmer Jorrow; He says he'll buy a bond tomorrow. Why, victory never will be won By putting it off from Sun. to Mon. Jorrow! Get your dough on the line, Or else start learning "Die Wacht am Rhein."

-Frank Sullivan,, Everett high.

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## J. C. Prof. Sees Peace Hope In Moscow Pact

The significance of the Moscow Pact was explained by Shepherd Leffler, professor of American history in Junior College, in a highly instructive address before a large group of students in the auditorium December 7.

In Mr. Leffler's opinion the pact is a means by which the great allies, Russia, United States and Great Britain, can carry on the war together and set up instrumentalities for insuring peace. This pact, which destroys the German's hopes of dividing the allies, has proved to be a tremendous psychological means of defeating Germany. It also provides that the Nazi criminals are to be traced down to the ends of the earth if necessary and taken to the countries in which their atrocities were committed to be tried ac-cording to the laws of that country. Another important provision is a council to be set up for the Italian people and that after the war Austria shall be free and independent.

Mr. Leffler also pointed out in his speech that there no longer is any reason to fear that Russia will make a separate peace with Germany nor that communism will overthrow capitalism. The pact, which abolished our anxiety concerning a separate peace, also provides for the reestablishment of the chuches in Russia, thus removing fears that communism may spread in America.

Mr. Leffler insisted that isolationism in America must be abandoned if we are to have a new spirit of cooperation and an organization that will hold and preserve the peace, and in order to do this we shall destroy the enemies' land forces, their factories by air power and their U-boats on the sea.

#### Majority of Jap-Americans Loyal, Speaker Tells Reserves

"The Wrong Ancestors," a lecture on the evacuation of Americans of Japanese descent from the West coast, was the theme of the Girl Reserve meeting Wednesday, December 8. Robert Icki, a young Japanese-American who was scheduled to speak was unable to attend because of illness, but he was ably represented by Miss Looplow, who illustrated the lecture with slides. These pictures showed the relocation centers, scenes of high school age youngsters and the evacuees at work.

"The enemy Japanese who are loyal to Japan have been segregated and the loyalty of those in the relocation centers has been proved," Miss Looplaw asserted.

She said that the majority of the young people had never seen Japan, and never wished to. They, as we, wish only for the victory to come quickly to their native land, the United States.

## Veteran Teachers Retire



#### Embryo Journalists Write Piece for Publication

This is a sample of the copy produced by Shirley Wallace, Barbara Stacy, Pete Kinsey and Bill Banaka, four embryo journalists in Miss Cannon's civics class:

"Pistol Packing Mamma" who has just married for the ninth time, has announced her intention to live at "Number 10 Lullaby Lane." The first day of her ninth venture into the sea of matrimony began when she awoke and said, "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," after which she went for a ride in the "Surrey With the Fringe on Top." "Let's Have Another Cup of Coffee," she said as she sat down to play "Paper Dolls," a game she played every "Sunday, Monday, and Always." After lunching in a small cafe "Forty Five Minutes From Broadway," she took another drive with "Annie Laurie," and "My Sister and I," dressed in her "Alice Blue Gown." After a refreshing "Moonlight Cocktail," she sang "Goodnight Sweetheart" to her husband.

With the cooperation of the students, Miss Burke is anxious to eliminate the flu epidemic which is menacing teachers as well as students. Miss Burke is planning to have the tuberculin tests for seniors at as early a date as possible in the new year, depending on how long the present epidemic lasts.

#### Homeroom Groups Send Gifts to Veterans Hospital

Homerooms sent gaily decorated gift boxes to room 211 last Thursday and Friday. These boxes contained such things as playing cards, handkerchiefs, shaving cream, tooth brushes, tooth powder or paste, socks, matches, razor blades, stationery, gum, nail files, combs, cigarettes, neckties, games, soap and edibles such as fruit cake or candy.

The boxes were filled either by the students bringing the articles to their homeroom, or by donations of many. Greetings were included in the boxes.

Greetings were included in the boxes. Other homerooms celebrated the Christmas season with parties or service projects. Room 313, under the direction of Miss Wilhite, prepared tray favors, Christmas tree ornaments, ice cream decorations and colorful posters for the wounded men at the Excelsior Springs Veterans hospital. This project was under the supervision of the Red Cross.

Lt. Millard H. Keenan, son of Mr. Keenan, band instructor, has been transferred from Dallas, Tex., to Great Falls, Mont. Lt. Keenan has passed tests qualifying him to fly any United States plane except the B-17. He is a pilot in the ferry command.

Students of Union high school, Mt. Vernon, Wash., are trying to buy five jeeps with war bond purchases.

## Among our Servicemen

Cpl. Albert Wasser, '38, is in the Army Air Corps in Amarillo, Tex.

Benton E. Stodghill, '40, a lieuten-ant in the Marine Corps and an in-structor in Corpus Christi, Tex., will be married soon to Jean Ewing, '41.

Ralph A. Morrow, Jr., '41, has just received his wings and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

Bill Queen, '40, a naval cadet, will finish his flight training soon at Corpus Christi.

Bill Hopkins and Bob Wohltman, both '43, have entered the Navy and the Seabees respectively.

P. F. C. John Anderson, '41, is training at Iowa University.

Joe Jackson, '43, is in the Air Corps

stationed at Sheppard Field, Tex. Lawrence Abbott, '38, is now in Florida for six month's gunnery training.

Donald K. Patterson, '39, a gunner's mate third class, formerly reported missing in action when his destroyer was sunk in the South Pacific a year ago, has been reported officially to have been killed.

Lt. James A. Warner, '39, is a co-pilot on a B-25 that was recently given credit for sinking a Jap freighter and tanker at Rabaul.

Lt. Harold S. Diel, '37, of the Army Air Corps has been reported missing in action. He has seen action in Africa and has participated in raids over Jugoslavia and Greece.

Pvt. James Frank, '41, is in the advanced A.S.T.P. studying electrical engineering at the University of Illinois.

Lt. Frank W. Haag, a former student, was lost recently while on a secret misison in North Africa.

Pvt. Donald L. Benson, '41, USMCR, who is attending Miami University, was a recent visitor.

Arthur True Wortman, '32, has been reported missing in action since November 16. He reported for duty on a submarine which is now overdue.

Jack Steele, '41, was home on leave recently from Carlsbad, N. M., where he is learning to be a bombardier for the Army Air Corps. His sister Nancy is a junior this year.

Sam Hocker, '43, was home on leave recently. He is stationed at Fort Knox.

Capt. Dan Taber of the Civil Air Patrol was the guest speaker at the last meeting of the War Information Group. He explained the founding, purposes, achivements and membership of the CAP.

David Hochberg, president, thanked Captain Tabor for his informative talk: He welcomed the many new members, and called for an even larger number at the next meeting. Anyone interested in vital war subjects are invited to join the WLGS.

## Up and Down the Corridors

The 1943-44 yearbook for the "Faculty Dames" was mimeographed by Mary Alice Bays. The "Faculty Dames" are the wives of faculty members.

David Young, '43, was a recent visitor to Westport. Speaking before the band, of which he was a member three years, David told of his experiences, at boot camp. His next stop will be Washington where he will play in one of the navy bands.

Mary Whitnell, '43, is home from Lindenwood College for the holidays.

A pinata full of presents and candy was the high point of the annual Christmas program of Circulo Calderon today. The program consisted of a solo by Juanita Coy, "Vieja de Amor," a paraphrase of "The Night Before Christmas" in Spanish by Betty Taff; a skit by Barbara Young, Verna Murfin and Bettie Bedford, and Christmas carols sung by the whole club in Spanish.

Debaters chosen to reprsent Westport in her contests with other Kansas City high schols are Ed Davis, Sheryl Holland, Stuart Talcroft, Jack Miller, Tom Skalitzky, Rita Terry, Carl Tom Skalitzky, Rita Terry, Carl James, Jim Lenk, Edla Carlson, Douglas Humphreys, Ted Foote, Charles Hulse, Dorothy Johnston and Jean Wilkinson.

Julie Aaron, a junior, will move to Avondale at the close of the semester. She will attend the North Kansas City high school.

The Jules Guerin Art club is making books of colorful pictures for the children in Mercy Hospital.

Several of Miss Wilhite's pupils are making colorful posters to brighten up the rooms of the veterans' home.

Students were surprised when they passed room 313 last Friday and saw a strange figure standing there. Miss Wilhite had a boy from study hall come up each hour to pose for the art students in authentic garb that she had purchased in Africa. The striped material of many colors was quite elaborate and the headpiece contained gold threads. After seeing the clashing combination of colors, the girls developed a sudden liking for plain black dresses.

Mr. Means' first and fifth hour classes have elected officers. In hour 1 the president is Harry Van Frees, Sue Stubbs, vice president; Edris McCorty, recording secretary; Milton Harmony, attendance secretary; Beverly Wheel-er, treasurer; Marcell Maimquist, and Grace Spong, hostess. Officers in hour 5 are Lou Jane Unruh, Patricia MacDonald, Betty Jane Hutcheson, Mary Hubbard, Patty Hermann, Jim Campbell and Marriet Huncilman. Margaret Eckholm recently was awarded a pin of merit from the Gregg Publishing company, for the best 80 words a minute shorthand test of those sent in by Miss Totten. Margaret had four errors.

Margaret Lenaghan, a student of the French Convent Notre Dame de Sion, visited the school recently as a guest of Mary Guinotte who attended school there last year.

Several faculty members attended the funeral of Miss Armstrong's sister, who passed away recently.

Flying Fortress pilot Lieut. Frank Williams Haag was lost November 22 while on a secret mission in North Africa.

Jim Burdett, Seth Gatchell, Dick Eckaus and Bob Miner, '43, have all passed V12 and will be called in March. They are planning to quit school at the end of the semester and take a trip.

First, second and third grade readers from Mexican schools are being read by Miss Shelley's advanced Spanish classes. Grade school children in Spanish-speaking countries can read much more difficult material than that used by elementary schools here, because Spanish is much more phonetic than English. Included in the books are folk tales, fairy stories and accounts of the lives of national heroes.

A "Take It or Leave It" game was the main event at the first meeting of the Latin club. Latin versions of "Are You Sleeping?," "Silent Night" and "O Come All Ye Faithful" were sung. Everyone interested in or taking Latin is invited to join the club. Anita Boresow was chairman.

The war stamp contest that has been waged in home room 307 came to an end with Olive Stovall's east side far ahead of Anita Borsesow's western division. And so today the West Side furnished a party, complete with pop-corn, candy, cookies and "Truth or Consequences." A new contest was started today.

About 200 students attended the party for sophomores, sponsored by the P.T.A. on December 9 in the girls gym. In the absence of Mr. Warren, Mr. Shepherd took charge, A juke box provided music for the dancing. Refreshments were served by the members of the P.T.A.

Mr. Priefert's woodwork shop boys are starting several modernistic furniture projects. They are completing wood-turning ,and are now learning the steps in the various types of wood finishing.

Jane Ann Nunn, '43, has returned from Mont'cello Academy for the holidays.

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## \$1,000 in War Bonds Prize in Oration Contest

A total of \$1000 in war bonds will be awarded to the winners of the War Oratorical Contest of Missouri. The subject of the 10-minute orations will be: "Why Should Young Americans Save by Purchasing War Bonds and Stamps to the Full Extent of Their Purchasing Ability."

A preliminary contest will be held in Kansas City. Mr. Holloway is chairman of public schools, Mrs. Green the chairman of private schools, and Father Murphy of parochial schools. Mr. King is chairman of the committee to select judges, to set the date, and make final arrangements for the public school contest.

The student who becomes the city representative will receive \$25 in war bonds and will go directly to the final contest in Jefferson City to compete there with the representatives of the five other areas of the state.

The first place winner of this final contest will be awarded \$500 in war bonds; second, \$200; third, \$100; fourth, \$75; fifth, \$75; sixth, \$50, and seventh, \$50.

#### 15 BOYS TAKE MENTAL TEST TO QUALIFY FOR AIR CORPS

Maj. M. R. Smith of the Army Air Corps stressed the need for pilots, navigators and bombardiers in the army air forces in a talk before senior boys Thursday.

A reservist who enlists at the age of 17, after passing a qualifying mental and physical exams, is subject to call on or shortly after his eighteenth birthday, the major explained. He will be sent to a college for five months' preparatory work consisting mostly of physics and math, English and history. After successfully completing this course the cadet will be sent to a classification center where extensive mental and physical exams will be given.

At the close of Major Smith's lecture fifteen boys took the mental test in room 4.

Miss Shelton Wilhite lectured on the Holy Land at the Kansas City Atheneaum December 8. Her talk was supplemented by movies of the Holy Land, Sicily, Italy and Malta which she took during her travels there. Preceding Miss Wilhite's lecture, Miss Leedy, of Central, gave some musical selections. Following the talk, Miss Burton of the Junior College took over the program.

## At the Sophomore Party



#### 23 GIRLS AWARDED FIRST RED CROSS CERTIFICATES

The first Red Cross certificates for 1943 were issued December 10 to twenty-three Westport girls by Mrs. Mather, head of the Red Cross Home Nursing Unit of Jackson County. The girls received these certificates for having completed the home nursing course. Miss A. Mary Ross, representing the Nursing Association of Kansas City, Miss James, and Miss Zula Yager, representing the P.T.A., were guests.

Miss Ross expressed the opinion that Westport has one of the best locations and the best furnished classroom in Kansas City, credit for which goes to the P.T.A.

Seventy-two such classes now are being conducted in Kansas City, one in almost every high school. These classes are taught by graduate and registered nurses in cooperation with the home economics department.

Two classes conducted by Miss Burke have finished the course, one at Westport, and one at the American Red Cross Headquarters. Two more home nursing classes will be organized this year. One will be for senior girls enrolled in second semester home economics, and one will be for the P.T.A.

#### Five Bandsmen Guests at Air Corps Training School Banquet

Five members of the Westport band have been playing on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons for the Army Air Corps Training school. These boys are Jim Mullis, Ray Casebolt, Bill Moffatt, Jim Boley and Irwin Block.

Besides playing bugle calls, the boys play such marches as "Army Air Corps," "Stars and Stripes Forever" and others.

Lieutenant Whitman, the officer in charge of retreat, showed his gratitude recently by entertaining the boys at a graduation banquet. The meal, which was better than mother used to make, was headed by a thick steak, about 16 of the army's precious points.

#### THIRTY-ONE CADETS WIN PROMOTIONS IN ROTC

The following promotions in the ROTC unit have been announced:

Captains, Lester H. Brackenbury, Richard L. Ferber, Richard B. Fristoe. First lieutenants, Charles D. Ferm,

and Richard L. Ross. Second lieutenants, Robert L. Len-

nington, Jack L. Morton, Richard K. Posh.

First sergeant, Robert E. Spencer. Staff sergeant, Ralph H. Bugler, Jack B. Hedger, Fred A. Heim, Ralph E. Kron, Jack E. Meeker, Dwight R. Millern, George L. Nitchy, Donald W. Yoakum, Clarence D. Zink, Edward S. Zsido.

Sergeants Robert L. Bevan, David H. Hougland, Edward F. Jacobson, Richard A. Marsh, Frank Schroeder, Calvin A. Smith, Bruce K. Sproull, Richard L. White, Raymond L. Williams.

Corporals, John D. Libjestrand, Charles B. Whitesell, Richard A. Wilhardt.

#### Coxswain Paul Beyer, '40, Wears 5 Bars on Uniform

A recent visitor was Coxswain Paul (Duke) Beyer, '40, formerly stationed on the U.S.S. Boise, now on the U.S.S. Astoria. On his uniform Duke has five bars. They are for being in the Navy before Pearl Harbor; battle of Cape Espirano in the Solomons; North Africa; North Atlantic; good conduct. On the North African bar are are four stars for the four major engagements in which he participated.

Coxswain Beyer has visited Honolulu; Pago Pago, Samoa; Wake Island; Midway; Manila; Hongkong; Australia; Dutch East Indies; Sumatra; Java; Borneo; Bali-Bali; Ceylon; Bombay; Calcutta; New Zealand; Liverpool; Malta; Casablanca; Algiers; Bizerte; Tunis; Alexandria; Sicily; Palermo; Naples; Salerno and Toranto.

Although he has been through some bitter fighting Coxswain Beyer never has been wounded.

Rhodes Summer high school, New York, publishes this poetic gem: There are two kinds of guys, And only two whom I despise: The first, the guy I'd like to slam, Is the guy who copies my exam; The other is the awful skunk Who covers his paper and lets me flunk.

#### 508 Pupils Volunteer For Fourth War Bond Canvass

Westport had the honor of being the first school to hear the announcement of plans for a block to block canvass during the fourth war loan drive which will open January 18. Miss Cannon has been appointed to direct the campaign and in an assembly Friday she announced her plans. A boy and a girl will be assigned to each block, he said, and the Victory Corps organization may be used.

Maps of the districts to be covered were made by Mr. Banister's drafting classes. The students who drew maps were Bob Ferber, Dick Fristoe, Charles Graves, John Shipe, Lois Pendleton, Charles Mullis, Gene Banaka, George Schroer, Richard Peters, Lamar Hazen, Leonard Molotsky, Harlan Kilmer, Raymond Riley and Bob Sturgeon.

A total of 508 pupils signed up in assembly and more students are welcome.

#### Big Demand for Typists and Stenos in U. S. Civil Service

A recent visitor to Mr. Van Horne's seventh hour shorthand class was Tom Morrissey, '35.

He now has a job in the Army Air Corps. His work is to tabulate accidents of army planes. When a report of an accident is filed, it contains, the type of plane, cause and how the accident occurred, as taking off, landing or etc. When asked if he tabulated navy or marine accidents he said, "Not unless an army plane was involved."

Tom also enlightened the class on a few requirements of a civil service exam. For this he stressed the importance of thoroughly learning shorthand and typing.

He said the typing and shorthand rate required is lower than it has ever been because of the shortage of workers.

A year ago the United States Mint made an appeal to the public to put pennies back into circulation. All over the country "piggie banks" were broken open by men, women and children and a critical shortage was temporarily relieved. Once again these coins have disappeared and we are urged to empty our banks once more.

Four Westport girls recently participated in an entertainment provided for the Servicemen's club. Mary Jane McCord, Marian Wilson and Mary Thompson sang "Winter Wonderland," accompanied by Peggy Short at the piano.

Betty Want, a sophomore, is quite proud of the fact that her father, Fulton Want, has become the second member of the "Gallon Club." The organization consisting of those who have donated eight pints of blood to the Red Cross for aiding American wounded. He became a member November 18.

#### Miss Card Wins OCD Certificate For 1,000 Hours of Service

Miss Lorena Card, commerce teacher, was awarded a certificate last Thursday in recognition of 1,000 hours of service as a volunteer worker for the Department of Civilian Defense. She also received service bars to wear on her uniform. Enrolling in the First Women's Military battalion two years ago, Miss Card has assisted physicians with blood tests Saturday afternoons at the headquarters of various draft boards and has been on duty at the O. C. D. control center. She has been given credit also for ushering at war bond and Civilian Defense meetings.

#### TOPIC OF SECOND BRANDEIS ESSAY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Kansas City is offering its Second Annual Justice Brandeis Essay Contest.

The purposes of these contests are to: Pay tribute to the spirit and future of the United Nations; contribute to the civic endeavors of Kansas City; encourage the creative thinking of youth, and commemorate a great American and a great Jew.

The subject is, "One Nation Indivisible—How we can make America a More Perfect Union." The essay should not exceed ten pages of double-spaced typewritten copy. They must be mailed before May 30 to the Jewish Community Council, 1416 Insurance Building, 21 West Tenth street. There will be prizes of a \$50 war bond; three \$25 bonds; six \$10 bonds; and 20 subscriptions to "Common Ground."

In Mr. Harris' and Miss Hatch's offices there are copies of a pamphlet entitled "Getting Ready for Induction" which is published by National Education Association. This pamphlet's main purpose is to help boys get ready for induction into the armed services.

The Southwest Trail reports that their band and orchestra brought in a total of \$96 from their paper sales.

#### Pundit Society Given Present Name in 1909

After spending an hour or so in the library looking through the old Heralds the other day, Gail Goodrich, vice president of the Pundit literary society, discovered interesting facts about the early Pundits, and also about various members of the faculty.

Originally Pundit was organized as a debating club for girls under the direction of Miss Mary Ruth Weeks, now a member of the Paseo faculty. In 1909 A. S. Humphrey, speech teacher, known for the Humphrey Award, gave the society the name of Pundit. This title was given to a learned person in India who enjoyed arguing and debating. The colors are blue and silver as seen in the ring worn by many of the members. The motto became "Weigh, Consider, Express" and the flower is the bachelor button. It is the oldest existing literary club in Westport.

Miss Shire was the second sponsor and the Pundits were ably guided by Miss Lash, Miss Wheeler, Miss Trotter, Miss Guffin and Miss Secrest following in succession. Miss Guffin is the director now. During the years from 1910 to 1917 club members wrote plays and songs, and engaged in many exciting and serious debates such as "Resolved; The Dago Huckster is more good to the country than the Irish policeman."

For the war in 1918 Pundit bought a Liberty Bond and joined the Patriotic League. Pundits today can point proudly to the War Bond they bought last year and also to an afghan which they made and donated to the Red Cross.

It was the custom twenty years ago for Pundit to hold an annual luncheon with the literary societies of Alpha of Northeast and Aristonian of Central at the Muehlebach Hotel. Interschool social functions now are banned by a school board rule.

In 1922 the club officially became a literary society, in 1933, they published a paper called Pundit Type.

#### Leading Group Singing in Assembly



#### Cyclones Swamp Tigers in Third Pre-Season Tilt

A smooth running cage machine from Ward high school swamped the Tigers Friday evening, 35-21, in the Ward gym. Baska and Kanatzar, two lengthy Cyclone cage artists, scored 25 points, more than the entire Tiger total.

Bob O'Brien, shifted from center to forward, again led the Tiger offensive with 3 buckets from the field. Feagans and Carras added 4 and 3 points respectively.

The next game on the Tiger sched-ule will be the annual alumni affair. The alumni this year are being assembled by Dick Bugler and Frank Wil-kinson, both '43.

#### SHAWNEE MISSION CAGERS WIN TIGHT DECISION

Showing great improvement .since the Washington Rural high game, the Tigers dropped a tight 24-21 decision to Shawnee Mission, on the Indians court Friday, December 17. The Indians, Kansas state champions, led throughout the game, but at one stage Westport was within one goal of victory, trailing in the final period. With seconds remaining the Mission boys put the game on ice.

The leading scorer was Bob O'Brien who scored 10 points, all from the field. Outstanding defensively for the Tigers was guard Bob Higgins, who also contributed a free throw in the first period. Bill Feagans scored a field goal and 4 free throws for a 6-point total and Carras completed the scoring with 2 buckets from the field.

#### December Typing Awards

Typing awards for this month have been won by the following: June Mur-ray, 60; Frances Brown, Bettie Bed-ford, Emma Carnahan, Nadine Harri-son, Frances Nekuda, Jeanne Wilkin-son, 50; Millicent Sheets, Jeanne Wilkinson, Jane Riche, Norma Kinds-vater, Barbara Butler, Hermine Levi-kow, Frances Nekuda Annette Mo kow, Frances Nekuda, Annette Mc-Ewen, Peggy Brandenburg, Ometa Siegelin, Virginia Wright, 40: Edla Carlson, Dorothea Pauling, Shirley Farley, Frankie Goodwin, Cristeta Fahel, Jimmy Burns, Edith Brown, Jeanne Endres, Pat Eppinger, Flora Gallemore, Marguerite Sherman. 30; Vivian Johnson, Pauline Ruf, Helen Becker, Donna Rapier. Marian Pugh, Florence Hagstrom, Elizabeth Davis, Martha Weber, Alice Jeanne Bailey, Martha Weber, Ande Jeanne Balley, Pat Eppinger, Joy Sandstedt, Donna Ashlock, Irwin Block, Jeanne Endres, Marilyn Furby, Eugene Gerber, Bar-bara Gordon, Sheryl Holland, Jacque-line Kanally, Jean Suffill. Alice Whip-ple, Frances Wiggins, Eileen Wright, 20 20.

A small mixed ensemble from the vocal music department will sing Tuesday at the Lucerne Hotel for the Hotel Greeters Association and another ensemble will sing at the Scot-tish Rite Temple on Thursday.

#### Meet the Team

The shortest starter on this season's squad is Dick Cox. Whitey would not be picked out of a crowd as a basketball player. However, for what he lacks in height, he makes up in spirit and determination and speed. Playing at a forward position, Whitey is one of the fastest men on the squad.

One of the school's best all around athletes, he played quarterback on the football squad, receiving honorable mention for all star. When summer rolls around Cox may be found on the ball diamond playing shortstop for Conboy Post.

Whitey's strangest characteristic on the court is his habit of keeping his mouth wide open while shooting. Since he throws the ball as easily as if it were a baseball, he should be an important cog in the Tigers cage machine.

Outstanding in the Shawnee Mission game was Bob Higigns, 5 feet, 8. Playing guard, Bob was the man always in the right place at the right time. Although only a junior, Bob seems destined to become one of the best guards in the league.

Also a quarterback on the football squad, he is a two-year letterman, serving as co-captain during the past season.

Under the guidance of Coach Chubb, Bob is developing a one-handed shot that should make him a potent threat in future games.

#### J. C. MIDGETS LEADERS IN RECREATIONAL LEAGUE

Leaders of the Junior College rec-reational basketball league are the J. C. Midgets with three wins and no losses. Games are played in the college gym which is rented from the Board of Education.

Leagues sponsored by the recreation division of the municipal Welfare Department have been organized in twenty-one centers, mostly school gymnasiums. Each league has eight teams which play on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, the better teams playing Thursday night.

The Junior College league is under the supervision of Mr. Shepherd and the coaches are Mr. Chubb and Mr. Bourrette. Wholesome recreation for boys and girls is the purpose of the project.

#### Tuesday League Standings

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Almighty All-Stars	
Blackhawks	2
Tiger Cubs	2
Hornets	
Hot Rocks	
Yellow Jackets	
Senior Tigers	0
Hell Cats	.0

#### Thursday League Standings

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J. C. Midgets	3 (
Hi-Y	2 (
Wildcats	2
Top Hats	1 1
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Lucky Five	) ;
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## Members of Cage Squad

In order that the student body may more fully enjoy the basketball games, it is necessary that the names of the players be known. Listed below are the members of the squad, their uniform numbers and year in school.

Name	No.	Year in School
Dick Cox		Senior
Nick Carras		Junior
Bill Feagars		Junior
Bob Gershon		Senior
Norman Teeter		Junior
Max Teeter		Junior
Jack Miller		Senior
		Senior
Bob Higgins		Junior
Pat Delaney		Sophomore
Gene Ryder		Junior
Bob Zucco		Sophomore

#### RULES FOR WAR STAMP SLOGAN CONTEST ADOPTED

Rules for the slogan contest sponsored by the War Stamp Council have been announced as follows:

- 1. An entrait must be a Westport student. 2. He must be a consistent buyer of War
- Stamps. 3. He must have the approval of the War Stamp representative or of the home room
- Stamp representative or of the home room teacher. The winning slogan will be used as the emblem of the War Stamp Council and therefore must be suitable for such use. The slogan must be ten words or less. All entries must be turned in on War Stamp Entry Blanks to be obtained from home room representatives.

Toby Brown, a student in Miss Beck's art class, made the poster dis-played on the transom above the door of Miss Card's room, the first homeroom with a consistent score of 100 per cent participation in War Stamp buying. Mr. Ward's home-room is second with 81 per cent participation.

#### Pep Club Assembly to Be Held January 7

Marguerite Sherman was elected secretary and Betty Golding, vicepresident at the last meeting of the Pep club. At a previous meeting, Lois Stillwell had been elected president and June Smith, treasurer.

Arrangements were made for a Pep club assembly to be held January 7. This will be the day before the first game with Southwest, and will be the first time such an assembly has been held.

Three cheerleaders will lead the Westport fans at each game. A sched-ule will be arranged designating which games each group of three will lead.

#### Annual Alumnae Game Tonight

The girls annual alumnae basketball game will be played tonight in the girls gym from 6 to 9 o'clock. The graduates, a few of whom play on company teams here in the city, will oppose a student team composed of the best players in the school and the game promises to be enjoyable.

The game starts at 7 sharp and there will be entertainment and refreshments. The admission fee is 10 cents.

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## War Bond Orator to Be Chosen Jan. 18

Westport's most effective orator will be selected Wednesday, January 19, in the preliminary War Oratorical Contest of Missouri. The subject is, "Why Should Young Americans Save by Purchasing War Bonds and Stamps to the Full Extent of Their Purchasing Ability."

The merits of the contestants will be determined by three faculty members acting as judges. The winner, together with representatives of other Kansas City high schools will participate in an elimination contest to be held January 26 in the Junior College auditorium. This will be followed by the city try-out in which representatives of the public high schools, the parochial, and private schools will take part. The winner of this, who will be selected by Rabbi Mayerberg, D. H. Hartley, and Judge Kemp, will be sent to Jefferson City to compete with the representatives from the five other areas in the state.

The first place winner of this final contest will be awarded \$500 in War Bonds; second, \$200; third, \$100; fourth, \$75; fifth, \$75; sixth, 50; and seventh, \$50.

#### 370 STUDENTS HAVE JOBS, WORK SURVEY REVEALS

Information obtained as a result of the Part Time Work Survey has been classified and summarized. The individual record cards of employed students show the year in school, total of hours employed per week, total number of working days per week, date showing when employment began, type of work.

According to the records in the counselor's office, 170 seniors, 91 juniors, 67 sophomores and 32 freshmen, a total of 370 students, have jobs. Six of the boys and four girls are over 18.

The total number of hours of outside work averages from 11 to 20. Twenty pupils are credited with 40 hours, which is considered a full time week for an adult. One hundred sixtyfive of the employed students work five days a week and 79 reported irregular hours.

The majority of the working students are engaged in retail selling. Various tasks in grocery stores rank second among the types of work and stock work is third. Paper routes are the least desired jobs. Robert Ferber, captain of Company C, president of the senior class and drillmaster of the band, won a new title when he received the highest grade in the qualifying test and was appointed major of the Westport battalion. By virtue of his present rank he is eligible to compete with the majors of other schools in the examination held annually to determine the selection of the regimental commander

of the city. Bob has been a member of the battalion two and one-half years, coming here from East high school. Last year he was crack squad leader and won the second place American Legion medal on field day.

Robert O'Dwyer was elected president of the R. O. T. C. Officers club at the organization meeting last Tuesday. The other officers are Robert Shelton, vice president; Richard Ross, secretary; Richard Posh, treasurer; Marion Hammond, public relations officer. Lester Brackenbury was appointed parliamentarian.

A group of Army and Naval Air reservists met last Tuesday in room 309 for the purpose of organizing a club. Westport is the first school in Kansas City to have an organization of this kind.

## Boys Get Preview of Induction Procedure

Boys who are nearing the induction age have the opportunity to obtain much essential information at the city-wide Pre-induction Conference today and tomorrow in Junior College auditorium. Facts concerning relationship with draft boards, induction requirements, and officer training will be presented during the two-day session.

Dr. Herold C. Hunt opened the conference this morning by explaining the conference objectives. After talks by army officers, the routine of a reception center was shown in a moving picture.

Entrance requirements and a propaganda picture, "What We Are Fighting For," was the bill of fare for the afternoon session.

Tomorrow officers training and advancement will be discussed in the morning, followed by another motion picture.

The closing address, entitled "Why We Fight," will be delivered by H. Roe Bartle, chief scout executive of the Kansas City area.

Plans for the conference were arranged by a committee composed of George A. Peterson, vice-principal of Southwest; C. O. Williams, vice-principal of Central, and Miss Hatch, cooperating with J. G. Bryan, assistant superintendent, and Miss Norris, acting director of counseling.

#### ART GALLERY TREASURES EXHIBITED IN FRONT HALL

Thanks to Mr. Miner, Westporters have been able to enjoy an exhibit from the Nelson Art Gallery this month and a different display each month, for the remainder of the school year. Mr. Miner worked many of his free hours, after school, and on Saturdays, to fix reflectors for the lights and wire the case in the front hall so the articles could be seen clearly by the student body.

The display consists of Persian tapestry and pottery of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth centuries. The intricate designs of the tapestry contain gold threads. The early Persians were masters at weaving gold threads. One of the pieces of pottery, a bowl, is of Persian blue; the other bowl has yellow, green and blue alongside each other. This is an excellent example of the most highly regarded color harmony of today.



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#### Let's Show That Tarawa Heroes Did Not Die in Vain

Seventy per cent of the boys who participated in the daring attack on Tarawa lost their lives. During bitter, bloody, fierce fighting seven out of every ten lads made the supreme sacrifice. They gave their lives.

We are too young to give donations to the blood bank, we cannot engage in heroic battles in foreign lands, nor can we spend eight hours a day in a war factory building equipment for war uses. However, we can respond 100 per cent to the duties our government calls on us to perform, such as buying war bonds and stamps, buying only necessary articles, refraining from hoarding, refusing to patronize black markets or paying prices above the ceiling levels, never destroying or marring other people's property.

Let's not take the attitude, "Well, it won't hurt if I don't do such and such a thing." We must each one consciously do everything everyday that will help end this strife. Battles such as Tarawa will have been fought in vain if there is not strong support from the home front. And we shall do more and more—and 1944 will be victorious!

#### Little Sacrifices Needed to Match Big Sacrifices

Their's is but to fight . . . or die! Our's is but to buy and buy! . . . and let no able bodied American say he cannot spare the money to buy in the fourth War Loan drive starting next Tuesday.

If each member of every American family would start now and put away every dime he could spare every family would have the money for an extra war bond. If you should ask them where the money came from they would say, "I don't exactly know; we certainly didn't miss it." But through such little sacrifices everyone can help renew the faith and courage of our fighting men who are making the big sacrifices.

## It Sez Here

As the New Year begins at Westport, we find that some of our loyal studes passed out with the old year. This doesn't refer to how they spent New Year's eve, it just means they left our halls to go somewhere else. Among those gone but not forgotten, are Jo-Ann Carlson, Virginia Cockrell and Julianne Aaron.

Club members are beginning campaigning for the mid-year elections and everybody is trying to catch up with the teachers on that pre-Christmas work. (Joke).

Some students came back to school with some strange acquisitions: Eddy Millikan with a new pin (seems he likes variety, in his jewelry), Martha Rush, Marilyn McHenry and Francis Wiggins with brand new books on "Parliamentary Law;" Keith Chader, with that jacket he's been wanting even before Christmas; and Bob Heilman, with pockets full of money.

Betty Rea didn't quite get here the first few days of school. It seems she ate too much chicken over the holidays.

We've heard that Ann Gilliat was showing off her brother, recently. Why didn't you tell us about him sooner, Ann? What a voice!

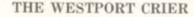
Jane Riche was surprised when five freshmen walked up to her Monday morning and asked her if she was the girl who wore the strapless formal, last Thursday.

Speaking of what people wore, Jean Fleck boasts of an orchid and Gladys Morgan is wearing a new perfume called "Essence of Old Gold."

Just to prove Crier advertising does the job, we have this little testimonial from Bob O'Brien, who advertised recently for someone to wear his W. pin. It seems a certain Lois Stilwell, who read the ad, was just what he needed and he wishes to thank the Crier for rendering him this great service.

Seems lots of fellas brought in the New Year, together, at stag parties. All they did was sit around and drink "Duke's Cola." Speaking of "Duke's Cola," Bob Waltner accumulated quite a supply over the holidays.

Well, we'll close this little column with best wishes to all the boys during this leap year, hoping they'll come through safely.





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#### NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

I will not chew my gum quite so noisily.

I will let my teachers get in a few words before I interrupt them.

I will not whisper in class unless it is something of the utmost importance, such as a date, some new clothes, or a coming dance.

I will try to be on time to class at least twice a week.

I will prepare my homework at least once a week.

I will stop making eyes at my teachers. (Except the real cute one in room 421.)

I will truthfully try to bring all my failures up to at least "I's." (Except the one I got in commercial law. My teacher is just prejudiced against me!)

I will try to be patient with all my teachers. After all, everyone makes mistakes.

#### Daffy Dillies

Gopher—to like or fall for. Figuring—a doll used for decoration. Yern—to increase one's knowledge. Hitler—he's a laugh in himself.

The Q Review of Quincy, Ill., reports that one of the typewriters in the Q room is so antique that it is believed to be the one on which the Declaration of Independence was written.

A parent who disapproved of corporal punishment wrote the teacher: "Dear Miss: Don't hit our little Johnny. We never do except in self-defense."

#### -High Times

Visitor: Why does that dog sit here and watch me so closely as I eat?

Host: You have the plate he usually eats from.

## Wishes for New Year Conveyed in ABC Form

To My High School Friends:

It is not too late, I hope, to wish you a very happy New Year. In large measure each of you will determine individually whether it will be or not.

From a scrapbook to which I turn frequently for ideas and inspiration, I have selected to share with you the following alphabetical statement. Its authorship I do not know, but it appeals to me and I hope that all of you will find it helpful in planning the twelve months that lie immediately ahead.

If You Wish the Happy New Year to Run the Full Course of Twelve Months, Be:

Ambiticus—"A life without a purpose is a ship without a rudder."

Brave-"Before man made us citizens, great nature made us men."

Cheerful—"Continual cheerfulness is a sign of wisdom."

Diligent-"Hope in the Lord but exert yourself."

Enthusiastic-"Nothing great has been achieved without enthusiasm."

Friendly-"The only way to have friends is to be one."

Generous—"The generous man enriches himself"

Honest—"Honesty in little things is not a little thing."

Industrious—"Industry is the parent of success."

Just—"If all men were just there would be no need of valor."

Kind—"A kind face is a beautiful face."

Loyal—"Be true to your word, your work, and your friends."

Modest-"Modesty has more charms than beauty."

Noble—"You can create a nobleman, but God only can make a gentleman."

Orderly-"Success in life depends upon having the principle of order."

Punctual—"Be always in time; too late is a crime."

Quiet-"The highest degree of selfcontrol is found in a quiet mind."

Right-"Better to limp upon the right way than to ride upon the wrong."

Sincere-"Sincerity gives wings to power."

Truth-loving-"The truth will make you free."

Useful—"To be employed in useless things is to be half idle."

Valorous-"The brave alone know how to forgive."

Wise—"He must be a wise man himself who is capable of distinguishing one."

Xemplary—"We reform others unconsciously when we act uprightly." Youthful—"Lovely is youthful Stanford (the Voice) Gilgus is Mr. Miner's mouthpiece in second hour physics while Mr. Miner is getting his voice back after a severe cold.

First aid students stood by hopefully watching chemistry students crawl from the chemistry laboratory recently when some sulphur fumes got out of hand.

Richard White 'knows what man's greatest problem is and what's more he will tell you about it. Ask a certain cadet lieutenant in Co. A.

Marybelle Wright has a lot of trouble eating her Jello at lunch. It continually bobs up and down on her spoon.

Some very precious fudge was wasted in the Cafeteria the other day. One lunch table was playing dive bomber and pieces of fudge were the bombs.

Thirteen dollars has been collected toward a trip to Hollywood in 1945, planned by Rose Marie Purdom, Doris Pauling and Dorothea Pauling.

Barbara Young's newest greeting is "Hello, I'm not a pledge any more!"

Second year typing students are biting their fingernails these days but plenty, First-year Maurine Filson has passed her 60! (Believe it or not!)

Jerome Mandl is forever pulling a sack of candy out from his pockets!

Was that a bomb exploding along my spine, or did someone throw a brick? So sorry, it was only one of those "sociable slaps" Mary Alice Nelson gives to her friends.

Louise Nelson recently wrote an autobiography for Careers. Seems it was either too good or too bad, because she wouldn't let anyone read it (not even her mother).

These damsels who threaten to take a crew cut have the bewildered lads on edge.

The most common topic of discussion appears to be younger sisters and brothers.

comeliness-the comeliness of the heart."

Zealous—"A heavenly race demands thy zeal."

Faithfully yours,

Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools

January 4, 1944

## Under the Clock

From talk frequently heard since the holidays it seems that Dick Fristoe isn't the only one who takes a long time to say goodnight.

On a bright Sunday morning during the holidays, Clara Johnson got up, dressed, and cheerfully started on her way to school!

If these bright ties are becoming a fad, we'll all need sun glasses!

Frances Brown doesn't worry about the shortage of silverware during fifth hour lunch. She brings her own!

Our nomination for champion ice skating go-er is Joicie Rule, who skated all except two nights of the holidays.

Since the Buffington sisters have been wearing their hair alike, we can't tell Miska from Sonja.

Joann Davidson shocked the fourth hour lunch period by wearing kneelength socks to match her skirt. That's not so shocking, but her sweater was so long that no one could see her skirt.

There were some very senior-looking players on the sophomore basketball team last week. Could it be the weather?

Of course it was nice to call people up on New Year's day and extend the season's greetings but Norma Kindwater hasn't yet forgiven Doris Klein from calling her at 2 a. m. just to say "Happy New Year."

Keith Chader says it will take him four months to recuperate from his three weeks in Iowa.

Although Ruth O'Bester didn't give a Christmas present until January 7, it was fully appreciated.

A slight shift in the seating arrangements in first hour public speaking has broken up the gleesome foursome on the east side of the room.

Did you notice all the sweater gals who blossomed forth after Christmas? Santa must be a Lana Turner fan.

When you see pupils wandering around by themselves muttering facts and figures, they aren't cases for the psychopathic ward; they are merely cramming for these semester exams.

Betty Bedford boasts that she can write 2 words with 60 errors.

Harry Mueller had a hard time finding someone to type his English essay.

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# for Homecoming

Once again Westport greeted her homecoming graduates with a varied program in the annual Christmas assembly. The Westport orchestra, led by Mr. Keenan, rendered two musical selections, Processional by Savino and A Christmas Fantasie by Grossman. Douglas Humphreys served as the student chairman and Robert Ferber led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

After being welcomed by Gail Goodrich excerpts were read from letters received from Robert Rubin, Walter Root, Fred Harlan, Morton Gelphman, Louise De Lapp, and George A. Ulam by Barbara Bane, Richard Chapman, Lester Brackenbury, and Sheryl Holland. Gene Courtney, '43, now in the V-12 U. S. N. R. at Park College, was master of ceremonies. Rosella Hightower, Pvt. Charles Bane, Lyle Bean, Lieutenant Ervin, and Mayo Elliott were the alumni representatives who spoke briefly. The assembly closed with community singing, led by Mr. Spring and Mr. Keenan.

Approximately ninety-three graduates visited the school. The following signed the register:

signed the register: shirley Kester, '43; Lt. Kenneth Bigus; Jeannette Norris, '43; Frances Kirthey, '43; Marulia Cassidy, '43; Mary Ella Hanlon, '43; Crawford Williams, '43; Ruthann Byers, '43; Sue Huncilman, '43; Mary Reese, '43; Wilson Gilliat, '39; John Kirkpatrick, '43; Billy Lee, '43; Mary Joliff, '43. Helen Fischer, '40; Elleene Sims, '40; Mrs. Walter Root; Mrs. Moodle, '39; Jim Mueller, '43; Hobart Michael, '42; Esther Lenz, '43; Betty Bucher, '43; Betty Kiser, '43; Francesca Campbell, '43; He. P. Laurit-sen, Charles Carnahan, '43; Eugene Harper, '43; Anne Chase, '43; Thomas Hanna, '41; David Gardner, '41; Helen Heinberg, '43; Albert Humphrey, '43; Isabel Frush, '42; Dale Carlson, '43; Beverly Presley, '44, Calvin Curts, '41; Dorothy Hindman, '41; Janet Clement, Beatrice Blom, '43; Marian Bayless, '40; Margaret O'Neal, '40; Charles Hager, Mayo Ellioit, Dana Hougland, '42; Marion Obsen, '42; Helen Williams, '42; Virginia Nordling, '42; James Guinotte, '42; Ralph Kennedy, '43; Gene Courtney, '43; Jim Stroud, '44; Warren Larson, '40; Lynne Cowles, '43; Jarle Stoud, '44; Warren Larson, '40; Lynne Cowles, '43; Marian Nordling, '42; James Guinotte, '42; Ralph Kennedy, '43; Gene Courtney, '43; Marien Marke, E, V, Lefeners, Norton

Virginia Nordling, '43; Gene Courtney, Ralph Kennedy, '43; Gene Courtney, Jim Stroud, '43, Warren Larson, '40; Lynne Cowles, '43; Lyle Bean, Mrs. E. V. Lefeners, Norton Rixey, '42; Charlie Myers, '41; James Shu-bert, '41; Gioria Dana, '42; Mary Lynn Whit-nell, '43; Bernice Carlson, '43; Jim Burdett, '43; Jane Ann Nunn, '43; Scott Nesbet, '43; Loyd Russing, '42; Gustave Eismann, '42; Bill Payser, '42; Nadine Lange, '43; Julia Norshuck, '43.

Bill Payser, '42: Nadine Lange, '43: Julia Doersbuck, '43.
Audrey Willett, '28; Harold Woodard, '40: Sam Phillips, '43; Otis Harding, '43: Robert Taylor, '43; Patti Bagby, '46; Alice Wampler, '43; Dorsey Carter, '43; Corinne Hoffman, '43; Barbara Lang, '40: Mary Collins, '43: Mary Anne Peake, '43: Marjorie Trinanus, '43; Louise Brumback, '43; Rosella Hightower, '36: Virginda Windsor, '42: Dick Seinost, '42: Margaret Tucker, '42: Donald McCaul, '41.

Among the letters received from absent alumni in response to invitations to the homecoming were the following:

P. F. C. James C. Neustadt, '42, of the Marine Corps, a participant in the battle of Tarawa, wrote a letter to Miss Edith J. Hanna from a rest camp:

"My main wish is to have you express my hopes and prayer that all

Many Alumni Back 36 Years in Westport



Frederic C. Shaw, former vice principal and a faculty member for nearly thirty-six years retired at Christmas. Mr. Shaw had been a member of the school system since 1907.

He obtained his bachelor's and master's degrees at Trinity College, University of Toronto, and taught at Port Hope, Ontario, and four years at Missouri Military Academy, Mexico, Mo., before coming to Kansas City, He taught Latin and mathematics, and was vice principal for two years.

Mr. Shaw won distinction by his success in inducing his pupils to strive for the Rhodes scholarship. Six of his former students attained this honor. Westport has furnished more Rhodes scholars than any other high school in the United States.

Psychology students are making a final report from popular magazines on the psychology of social living. The most popular sources are the American Magazine, Good Housekeeping, and Reader's Digest. Also a study is being made of special phases of the subject from books from the library. Other special assignments are color psychology, courtroom, selling and advertising psychology.

the present students, as well as the past, have the most pleasant holidays they have ever experienced," he said. "To the faculty I send the best wishes and the hope that their patience holds out until the end of the school year, at least."

Minaruth McWhirter sent this message from Washington University:

"It is such a big disappointment to miss this assembly, . . . May I wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and that the New Year holds everything good for Westport."

#### STUDENT LEADERS CHOSEN FOR SOS VOLUNTEERS

The "S. O. S. Volunteers," under the supervision of Miss Cannon, will deliver emergency pamphlets, issued by the government, in the Westport residential district. From the list of volunteers, the following students, who received the best recommendations from several teachers, were selected as lieutenants for twelve of the fourteen districts assigned to Westport:

Everett Davis, 43; Dorothy Cunningham, 46; Joicie Rule, 48; Charles Hershberg, 49; Delores Roller, 51; Howard Grolmes and Jeanne Endres, 65; Barbara Wolfe, 66; Mary Jane McCord, 67; Stewart Wagner, 68; Bob Spencer, 70; Delores Hunter, 71; Katherine McKim, 73.

These lieutenants already have begun contacting the students in their districts.

#### Graduate Reaches Big Radio Audience with News Comments

Richard Harkness, '24, N. B. C. Washington reporter, has been discussing and interpreting news of wartime Washington and news of the home front five nights a week since last February 9. A large audience was acquired through his thoroughness and the manner in which he gave both sides of an issue. He presents a complete picture of our national capital.

Mr. Harkness was graduated from the University of Kansas, after which he joined the United Press staff and spent several years on the circuit here. He then began a tour of United Press offices including the state capital bureau at Jefferson City, worked with the Philadelphia Inquirer's Washington Bureau and accepted a post with N.B.C. in 1942.

His broadcast is heard Monday through Friday on WDAF at 10:15 p. m.

#### Shop Pupils Mold Model Planes

Several of the boys in the metal shop have been building model airplanes by the process of making a pattern of wood, then molding it in sand, and casting the metal. They also are making handles, by the foundry process, to be used for file or screw driver handles.

Because of old age the metal spinning lathe has collapsed but the old lathe from the wood shop has been completely rebuilt by the boys in the metal shop and is now in excellent condition and in service in the metal shop.

All advanced metal boys are being required to read various types of micrometers. Every boy beyond the first semester is expected to know how to make measurements to within 1/1000 of an inch.

## Among our Servicemen

Janet Clement, '40, a corporal in the Women's Marine Corps, is now stationed at Camp Elliot, Cal. Her sister Marian is a senior this year.

Howard Rowe, '41, home recently on furlough, is now on his way overseas with the Army.

Lt. George W. Andrews, '37, was among the first troops to land on the beach at Saidor, New Guinea. His sister, Dorothy, is a senior here.

Lt. Max C. Greve, '38, recently distinguished himself on his 24th mission over Nazi Europe. A bombardier, he holds the Air Medal with the three Oak Leaf cluster and is scheduled to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Lt. Eunice I. Orr, whose sister Marilyn attends Westport, is in the women's Marines stationed at Camp Elliot, Cal.

Ralph Lundberg, '42, is in the Marine Corps and is studying in a radar school in Chicago.

Frank Brandt, '38, a nephew of Miss Bridges, is studying Army engineering at Georgia Tech. Upon graduation from Westport he received the Kansas City University scholarship.

Bob Lowary, '43, has been promoted to a pharmacists' mate second class and is now stationed at Norman, Okla.

Thurman White, '41, in the Marine Corps, was wounded on Guadalcanal and is now in a navy hospital.

Charles Hasenzahl, a former student, is in the Marine Corps and is reported to be one of "Carlson's Raiders" in the Southwest Pacific.

Bill Longmoor, '42, is recovering from scarlet fever and soon will report back to Fort Benning, Ga.

Max Casler, '43, is an aviation student in the Army Air Corps at the Michigan College of Mining and Technology at Houghton, Mich.

Pvt. Thomas Stroud, '40, is in the 752nd Tank Division stationed somewhere in North Africa.

A letter was received recently by Mr. Van Horne from Pvt. Thomas F. Stroud, '40, who is in the 752nd Tank Division, stationed somewhere in North Africa.

Billy Howell, '43, is home on furlough from San Diego, where he is in the Marine band.

West high school of Salt Lake City, U., has started something different a "sucker club." The only requirement is first to find and report an error in the school paper, "The Red and Black." As a special treat to all the lucky, wide-awake suckers, a source of never ending delight is given—an all day sucker.

The Greyhound Tiger says, "A snob is a person who wants to know only the people who don't want to know him."

## Up and Down the Corridors

Exhibited in the front hall are six colorful art maps, representing sections of the world and their occupations. Included are maps of Spain, Holland, the British Isles, Florida, Alaska, and the United States. They were made by Teresa Brice, Helen Frances Shepard, Dorothy Welch Niles Dixon, Barbara Sevier, and Carol Irving, of Miss Beck's seventh hour art class.

While breakfasting at the Hotel Muchlebach, Rose Purdom was pleasantly surprised to see Smiley Burnett walk in and sit at her table. She talked with him, met his manager, saw pictures of his family and obtained his autograph.

Pupils in study hall, room 213, have been orphans since Mr. Phillips left. No teacher seems willing to adopt them.

Raymond Riley is having a rather difficult time explaining why his upper teeth are missing. According to Raymond, someone should find them in the vicinity of Forty-fourth and McGee, where a tree bumped into him while coasting.

Stuart Talcroft and representatives from Paseo, Southwest, Central, and Northeast will conduct a panel discussion Thursday on "Work Experiences in the Field of Education" for the monthly meeting of Phi Beta Kappa society. Mr. King is in charge of the preparation of this discussion.

Pupils in the Victory Art Workshop have completed a Swedish mural to brighten up the west wall of Miss James's cooking room. This array of cheerful colors will help a lot on the dull west side of the room. This is another of the contributions to the school by Miss Beck's first hour class.

The Latin Club will hold a business meeting Friday during which officers will be elected. Everyone is invited to attend.

The final examination for band members will consist of playing of thirteen scales from memory by each member. This method has been used for several years and besides being a method of grading the students, it gives them needed experience and practice.

Dr. Hunt will be the speaker at the P.-T. A. meeting January 25, at 2:30 o'clock. The board meeting will be held at 10 o'clock in the library. The members will have lunch in the school cafeteria. Contests similar to spelling bees have been held in Miss Gales' sixth hour civics class. Pupils with high scores on locating places on the map were Teddy Gowertz, Bruno Stein, Phyllis Roberts, Eddie Lavo, and Jack Ruff. Dave Cross originated the idea of an airplane identification bee. Facts asked for were the country, type, and manufacturer.

Jo-Ann Carlson and Virginia Cockrell left school at the end of the first semester.

P.-T. A. members will assist Miss Burke with the tuberculin tests beginning February 1. Miss C. P. Elliott is health chairman and Mrs. H. A. Timberlake, co-chairman.

The hour 2 clothing girls have challenged the hour 2 cooking girls to a contest on their sales of war bonds and stamps. The room that loses will give the other a party.

The human science classes were agreeably impressed by the movies shown them by a representative of the National Dairy Council. The films were based on nutrition and included one on the Army Air Corps, one on white mice, and one on the "basic seven." All were quite surprised when they saw butter bobbing around and celery, carrots, and green beans dancing.

The P.-T. A. party for juniors has been postponed until Tuesday, February 8. The senior party will be in March.

Miss Youngs received a "Thank You" letter from a veteran for the Christmas box he received.

Carlotta Taylor, Nadine Harrison, Tobie Brown, Shirley Werner, Betty Bopp and Kay Hudson, in the Victory art workshop, are designing a large mural of the history of women's styles to be hung in Miss Guffin's clothing room.

The first beginning shorthand student to pass her standard 60-word test is Anita Boresow.

Awards received by second-year students in December were: 80—Bettie Bedford, Frances Brown, Mary Helen Kelly, Eunice Nicoll; 100—Sophia Barash, Betty Taff; 120—Bertha Boresow.

The students of J. Sterling Mortonhigh school, Cicero, Ill., are contributing money to a state fund to buy Lincoln's Gettysburg Address to be placed in the Illinois State Historical Library.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

## Freshmen Rank Highest In Arithmetic Test

Three of the 414 freshmen who took the arithmetic test given in October showed the arithmetical ability of college freshmen, twelve equaled the senior level and 107 were above the freshman average.

Among the 379 seniors, sixty-one reached the senior level but only four received first year college rating.

One junior ranked with college freshmen, ninety-six were on the junior level. Three hundred seventy-nine juniors took the test.

The sophomores made a better showing with nineteen in the senior level. One hundred forty exceeded the sophomore average. Papers were submitted by 387 sophomores.

Only 135 papers were entirely correct. Fifty-five pupils were rated 100 per cent in reasoning and eighty were 100 per cent in fundamentals.

All of the papers soon will be turned over to the mathematics teachers who will return them to the pupils.

"The results of the test show that it was a goood 'on your toes' tester," Miss Hatch, counselor, commented.

The test also indicated that the pupils who have studied arithmetic recently were more familiar with the processes and reasoning required. Many of the upper classmen who had studied algebra evidently were confused by some of the symbols and used algebraic methods in solving certain problems.

#### MR. KING'S VOCATION CLASSES TAKE PROFILE TESTS

Mr. King's vocation classes have taken two types of profile tests, the Kuder and the Cleeton tests.

These tests go beyond the mere naming of the occupations in which the student believes himself to be interested. Nine types of occupations are tested such as mechanical, computational, scientific, persuasive, artistic, literary, musical, social service, and clerical.

Few young people are absolutely clear on their abilities and interests. Many high school students have not yet chosen their future vocations, and many of those who have were influenced by suggestions of parents, teachers, friends or relatives, or were influenced by some certain aspect of the work.

These tests are valuable in that they give the student a view of his vocational interests and abilities as compared with his ambitions.

Three pupils from William Chrisman won top rankings in the statewide United Daughters of the Confederacy contest.

# Christmas Boxes to Veterans



#### YULE FESTIVITIES WARM HEARTS OF CELEBRANTS

Pre-Christmas festivities warmed the hearts of pupils in home room 209 on the last day of school before the holidays. Presents were exchanged and refreshments were served around a decorated tree. Celebrants in room 207 had a good time with a bright tree and food. In room 216 they feasted on soda pop, ice cream, candies, and popcorn while singing carols.

A "Truth or Consequences" game provided the laughs in 307 with popcorn, candies, and cookies to eat, and from 223, the girls' gym, came the loud mingled voices singing Christmas songs.

Many pupils exchanged gifts at their lunch tables and among their friends. All up and down the corridors smiling students cried "Oh, thank you!", "What a lovely card," and "A Merry Christmas to you!"

Miss Maddox's seventh hour freshman English class enjoyed an interesting program of Christmas music, readings, and stories December 21. Pupils who participated were Shirley Robinet, Lois Wilson, Dave Cross, Helen Greb, Dorothy Foland, Jean Winn, Teddy Gewertz, Yvonne Anderson, Betty Sue Crouch, Jane Thurman, Doris Hayden and Bonny Keen. The entire class, accompanied by Miss Maddox at the piano, joined in singing carols.

Miss Hatch reports that 160 of the 218 students who applied for pre-Christmas employment obtained positions. Reports from employers which have come back will be entered on permanent record cards. The pupils who had jobs have expressed their appreciation for the cooperation shown by the faculty.

# Typing Awards

Typing awards for this month have been won by the following students: Stanley Bushman, Elvarhe Ross, Nancy Sappenfield, Ellsworth Clark, Helen Lohmeyer, Barbara Owen, Charles Morrison, Jean Watson, Constance Barry, George Reasor, Helen Root, Shirley Farley, Mary Lou Minnerly, Elizabeth Davis, Anita Boresow, Earl Kimis, Joned Billings, Dorothy Terry, Rose Ann Seibolf, Dale Liljestrand, Evelyn Hiller, Eloise Rhodus, 20; Ruth O'Bester, Ruthalene Eaton, Joan William, Delbert Clevenger, Audrey Brann, Jerome Mandl, Leon Levin, Deborah Stein, Richard Harrison, Barbara Herber, Betty Golding, Jeanne Whitney, Barbara Owen, Cherie Shipley, Betty Hazen, Phyllis Landes, 30; Jo Ann Ready, Robert Showalter, Shirley Werner, Ann Gilliat, Marjorie Taylor, 40; Jane Riche, Carol Westerdahl, Barbara Young, Verna Murfin, Jocelyn Carter, 50.

#### Miss Clara E. Kellogg Dies

Miss Clara E. Kellogg, owner of the Kellogg-Baxter Printing company which printed The Crier for more than twenty years, died last Friday. When she first came to Kansas City in 1901 she was associated with her brother, founder of the old Kansas City World. After this paper was sold Miss Kellogg and Miss Katherine Baxter started the St. Joseph Star. Returning to Kansas City in 1907 the two women opened a printing plant, the first one here owned and operated by women. In 1909 they became owners of the Independent which Miss Kellogg sold to Mrs. Martha Nichols Gaylord, '24, four years ago.

To date the total value of war stamps bought by students in the homerooms is twice as large as it was at the same time last year. However, a few rooms are not doing their part.

In rooms 2 and 314 fewer than onefourth of the students are buying stamps. This is the lowest percentage of the school. In the J. C. gym, rooms 9, 110, 206, 213, 217, and 219 fewer than half are buyers and a recent survey shows that buyers in rooms 107 and 212 don't equal three-fourths of the number enrolled.

Entry blanks have been distributed to the council representatives and posters in the halls were made by Beverly Thomas and Virginia Wright.

Last week 80 per cent of the student body participated, the sales totaling \$760.95. Westport is well aware of the beginning of the Fourth War Loan Drive and most of the students are doing all they can to make Westport an outstanding school. Miss Gales says that we must all do our part to speed the day of victory and "Back the Attack."

#### T B TEST FOR FRESHMEN AND SENIORS TO BE GIVEN FEB. 8

Students in the senior and freshman classes are urged to apply for the tuberculosis test that is to be given February 8. This T. B. test is free and a movie will be shown February 1 to instruct these students as to the danger of contracting T. B., how it is cured, its prevention and how the germ originates. Dr. Rising will administer the serum and the test, as last year, will be given in Miss James' class room.

This test is a definite advantage to boys and girls going into service. If a person's test proves positive, it need not hinder him from entering as this germ can be cured. But it is wise to catch it in the early stages for a more rapid recovery. Also it will be an advantage for those going into industry as our industries do not have sufficient sanitation and health protection.

Not long ago Mr. Holloway received a letter from the president of Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, coacerning Georgiana Smith, '42. Here are a few lines of the letter.

"We know you will take satisfaction from the fact that Georgiana Smith, a graduate of your school, won honor standing for excellence in academic achievement at Grinnell College during the last school year. Miss Smith was well prepared to pursue college work, and we congratulate you and your faculty on the fine educational job you are doing."

#### NO FRESHMEN TO BE ADMITTED AT MIDYEAR

Classes in twenty-one subjects will be organized next semester. The number of pupils who elected commercial law was too small to justify the formation of a class.

Physiography, which is strongly advised for students interested in aviation, is the only science which begins in mid-year. It is possible to take both physiography 1 and 2 at the same time, finishing in half a year with a full year's credit.

Fewer mid-year subjects will be offered hereafter until they are eliminated completely, at which time all courses will extend through the year. A person who fails in a single semester will have to take the whole course over.

No freshmen will enter at midyear, which means the elimination of a mid-year graduating class four years from now. This year's mid-year group of graduates consists of twenty students, compared with twenty-two last year.

Six Years Ago

January 5, 1938

Coronations of Elizabeth Martin, Irving sweetheart, and Winifred Aikenhead, Promethean beauty queen, were held at the annual dance for Promethean and Irving.

"Teaching Rocks and Minerals in High School" was the title of an article by Mr. Shearer published in the magazine "Rocks and Minerals."

A predecessor of the "Melancholy Mabel" of last year was "Emily's Ghost" who dropped hints to the lovelorn.

The ROTC cadets participated in an all-city rifle match with eight other schools.

A column, "What to Do and Wear" advised Westport students on conduct at school and on dates, and also declared that short boys should wear stripes, tall boys, plaids and checks, and fat boys only single breasted suits.

Thirteen girls attended a tea given during the holidays by the American Association of University Women. Gail Goodrich, a senior, was chosen chairman. Other seniors who attended were Doris Frank, Mary Lou Hindman, Lois Jeanne Pendleton and Mary Louise Lundberg. Juniors were Maurine Filson, Alice Jean Bailey, Joicie Rule and Joned Billing, who was chosen historian. Grace Davis, Annamarie Hersberg, Dorothy Hubbard and Virginia Palmer were the sophomores.

#### Pupils Urged to Strive for Scholastic Awards

An opportunity for Westport students to win prizes and honor for themselves and for the school is being offered by Scholastic Magazine in its annual contest.

There will be prizes for superior entries in almost every type of artistic, literary and musical endeavor. Any student may enter.

All entries should deal with the theme of the contest, "Understanding the United Nations."

Last year, Julia Parkins' and Martha Porter's pastel drawings placed in the national contest at Pittsburgh. Alice Whipple, Morton Galitzky, Carlotta Taylor, Helen Dodds, Wilma Westerdahl and Niles Dixon won distinction in the regional contest, also in the art division.

The regional contest entries by art students will be on display from March 6 to 18 at Emery, Bird, Thayer's. Everyone is welcome to view this superior art show at no cost.

#### APTITUDE TEST CAUSES INTENSE CEREBRATION

The Ohio College Aptitude Test was given Monday to all senior boys and girls who will be graduated this month, in June, or after summer school. The boys took the test in study hall 212 and the girls in 213. The test started fifth hour and continued till the end of the school day.

Some seniors "sure wisht" they'd studied more, as many of the words stumped them. Dictionaries were consulted after the test to find out if there were such words.

The purpose of this test is to predict what kind of college student a person will be. For instance, the University of Missouri predicts that a freshman in college has a 1 in 3.3 chance of making "M" or better if he is average in high school and makes a score of 46 on the aptitude test.

It should be remembered that there are many types of aptitudes and many types of aptitude tests. This test, as its title indicates, is to help students discover chances for success as college students.

Girls in the first year foods classes have just completed a chapter on efficient kitchens. They are now cutting out pictures of efficient kitchens, inefficient kitchens and pictures illustrating how to make a kitchen gay and attractive.

Then they will draw a floor plan of their home kitchen, pointing out its efficiency, deficiencies and show how to correct the inefficiencies. After analyzing all their material they will make a drawing of their ideal kitchen.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

# Indians Snatch Last Minute Victory

A last minute goal and free throw by Don Nichols, Southwest guard, defeated Westport's fighting cagers 22-20 last Saturday on the Rockhurst court. The Tigers, who held the lead until near the end, played their best game of the season.

The only Tiger to hit with any degree of accuracy was Bob O'Brien, the game's high scorer, with 15 points. Moore led the Indian attack with 12 points.

Tied 7-all at the end of the first quarter, the Tigers moved ahead 16-13 at the half. With the score 19-all going into the last period, they were only able to score one free throw, while the Indians tallied 3 points, all by Nichols.

In other league games, East defeated Paseo 26-25 in overtime, Manual outscored Southeast 34-31, and Northeast scored a 21-17 over Central, led by Ed Lee, a brilliant sophomore.

Westport's next league game will be against the strong Bears of East also at Rockhurst.

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Halper, f	0	0	1	Gershon,	Ĩ	0	0	1	
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#### Henry Graf, '43, Sparks Alumni in Annual Tilt

In an exciting game, the Alumni, sparked by Henry Graf, '43, scored a 28-21 victory before a crowd of seemly non-partisan rooters in the Westport "gym" before Christmas.

Graf scored 7 field goals with seemingly little effort. Howard Hall, also '43, scored 3 field goals for a 6-point total. Both of these boys also starred in tennis while in high school.

Bob O'Brien led the Tiger varsity attack with 6 field goals and the game's only successful free throw. The Tigers made only 1 out of 11 attempts, while the Alumni collected none for seven.

The game was tied at the quarter and half until the Alumni pulled away in the last period.

#### Results:

Westport	-	21		Alumni-28							
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O'Brien, f	6	1	0	Chamblee,	c 2	0	1				
Carras, c	1	0	0	Bugler, g	1	0	2				
Gershon, c	0	0	0	Phelps, g	0	0	1				
Higgins, g	0	0	1	Baily, g	1	0	õ				
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N. Teeter, g	0	0	0			-					
Dulaney, g	0	0	1								
Totals	10	1	7								

## Meet the Team

One hundred sixty pounds of dynamite is Nick Carras, our next "Meet the Team," member. Noted more widely for his talents on the gridiron rather than on the court, Nick was selected for all star as a junior, and recently received honorable mention for the Nigro Trophy award. This annual award was won by Dussilar of De La Salle and Viers of Northeast.

At 5 feet 11 inches, Nick combines height with speed to form a dangerous scoring threat. Nick also holds the distinction of being the first Westporter to score this year, dropping in a two-pointer against Washington Rural.

Bob Gershon also is more widely publicized for his skill in another sport. Bob is captain of the tennis team and a three-year letterman in that sport.

Although he has been unable to hit the basket consistently in earlier games, he is expected to improve as the season progresses.

A Beau Brummel off the court, Bob may frequently be seen with Virginia McFarland, his most ardent rooter and admirer.

Due to a mistake in proofreading the last Crier, Bob Higgins' name was mispelled and his height given incorrectly. Bob is closer to the 5 feet 10 inch mark than the height reported.

#### Girls Start Cage Tourney

The girls' basketball round robin tournament is well under way. The teams have been classified into either the A or B League according to the outcome of the first game played. The winners of each league will oppose each other for the championship. The class teams will be chosen on a basis of performance in these games. The students manage and officiate the games under the supervision of the physical education instructors. The basketball managers are Josephine Miller, Marguerite Sherman, and Martha Sharpsteen.

Miss Mary E. Moulton, who has instructed two classes in beginning clothing since September, has been granted a leave of absence for the second semester. She will take a course in fine and applied art at the University of Minnesota, which she hopes will result in a Ph.D. degree. Miss Moulton has been the head of the art department in Junior College.

The students and faculty members extended condolences to Miss Guffin, whose mother died last week.

#### MIDGETS STILL ON TOP IN RECREATIONAL LEAGUE

In the Junior College basketball leagues, the J. C. Midgets continue to dominate the Thursday league, while the Almighty All-Stars gained possession of first place by virtue of a 22-17 victory over the Tiger Cubs. Several exciting games were played last Tuesday. The Hellcats were edged out 21-20 by the Blackhawks, while the Hot Rocks scored a 33-32 victory over the Hornets.

Results of games Tuesday, January 4:

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Hot Rocks			3
Hornets			
Blackhawks			
Hellcats			
Almighty All-Stars			
Tiger Cubs			
Senior Tigers			
Yellow Jackets			
Summary, Tuesday	night	:	
Team		Won	Lost
Almighty All-Stars		. 4	0
Tiger Cubs		. 3	1
Blackhawks		. 3	1
Hot Rocks		. 2	2
Senior Tigers		. 2	2
Hornets			3
Yellow Jackets		. 1	4
Hellcats		. 1	4
Summary, Thursday	nig	ht:	
Team		Won	Lost
J. C. Midgets		. 3	0
Hi-Y		. 2	0
Wildcats		. 2	1
Top Hats		. 1	1
Fireballs		. 1	1
Aces		. 1	2
Lucky Five			2
Cobras		. 0	3

#### ALUMNAE RULE COURT IN HOMECOMING GAME

The girls' homecoming basketball game was held the evening of December 21 in the girls' gym, with many graduates returning to participate in the festivities.

It didn't take the grads long to prove that they could still perform efficiently and they came through with a 16-12 victory over the fighting undergraduates.

Janice Meredith, '42, took top scoring honors with 8 points while Martha Sharpsteen collected a goal from the field and two free throws to pace the undergraduates.

Competition was keen but good sportsmanship prevailed.

After the contest, all joined merrily in a series of entertaining games and partook of the excellent refreshments.

Among those who returned were Pat Coolidge, Gudema Ancutt, Peggy Starr, Rosemary Kelly, Josie Ham, Hazel Rhodes, Julia Doerschuk, Nadine Lange, Julie Briant, Loretto Vann, Jean McNair, Yvonne Wiklund, Anne Chase, Janice Meredith, Joyce White, Barbara Mastin, Jane Ann Nunn, and Gloria Single.

Dr. Pattric O'Keefe, Assistant Director of Physical Education in Kansas City, also attended.

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# Clubs Hold Elections for New Semester

Officers for the second semester were chosen by the literary clubs as follows in elections held last Friday:

Clay club: Charles Averill, president; Eddie McLeroy, vice president; Ed Davis, secretary; Charles Frizzell, treasurer.

Irving club: Marion Hammond, president; Charles Ferm, vice president; Robert Shelton, secretary; Bob O'Dwyer, treasurer; Jack Meeker, sergeant-at-arms. Charles Ferm was appointed parliamentarian and Tom Doty, critic.

Promethean club: Marjorie Walthall, president; Phyllis Ahl, vice president; Jane Balfour, secretary; Marilyn Cloonan, treasurer; Dorothy Hubbard, sergeant-at-arms; Mary Belle Wright, parliamentarian.

Pundit club: Betty Taff, president; Jean Suffill, vice president; Josephine Miller, secretary; Norma Kindsvater, treasurer.

Officers elected by El Circulo Calderon last Tuesday were Ethelmae Craig, president; Josephine Miller, vice president; Barbara Young, secretary; Nancy Barnes, treasurer.

Tom Elliott has been reelected president of the Chess club. The other officers are James Howard, vice president; Daniel McDermott, secretary; Ruth Cartwright, sergeant-atarms. A committee was appointed which consisted of Frank Schroeder, Harry Van Trees and Fred Heim.

#### 23 MIDYEAR GRADS BID ADIEU TO SCHOOL

Among the twenty-three seniors whose names appear on the graduating list are several who have accumulated many grades on their counseling cards. They all hate to sever the old school tie, but they have the privilege of coming back at commencement to get their diplomas. Until then their comrades bid them a fond adieu.

The January, 1944, graduates are: Richard Bicknell Glenn Emis Keith Halbeisen John Elton Hoopes Clarence H. Hurd James Johnston William J. Jolly Dwight Milleren William Moffatt Donald Lee Packer Morton Sutton Robert G. Williams Wm. Wissmueller Paggy Clark Patsy Ruth Gardner Kathryn Martin Drusilla McCallum Karl Kimes Brylene Perry Dwight Milleren James Snedeker War Band Orator



Students in Mr. King's speech classes will give talks in the homerooms next Tuesday and distribute consent cards to be signed by parents in preparation for the TB test to be given to freshmen and seniors by Dr. Keeling February 8 in room 108. The P.-T. A. is sponsoring the tests.

# Rita Terry Chosen for Speech Contest

Rita Terry's effective interpretation of the topic, "Why Should Young Americans Save by Purchasing War Bonds and Stamps to the Full Extent of Their Purchasing Ability," last Friday, was judged best by five members of the faculty in the local elimination of the War Oratorical Contest for Missouri.

Placing second in the contest was Donald Ogilvie. Also participating was Gaynelle Irving. The orator was selected by a committee of judges composed of Mr. Ward, Mr. Irion, Miss Keeler, Miss Trotter and Mr. King.

Rita next will participate in the public school elimination held tonight in the Junior College auditorium. The winners of this will take part in the city try-out in Edison Hall February 1, at which public, parochial, and private high schools will participate. The top ranking orator from this elimination will be sent to Jefferson City to compete with the winners from the other areas in the state.

Mr. Holloway is chairman of the all-city committee of three representing public, private, and parochial schools. Mr. King is chairman of the committee for public schools.

# School Sales in New Bond Drive Pledged for Hospital Equipment

During the Fourth War Loan drive, which will last from January 18 to February 15, all Kansas City school sales will be pledged toward the purchase of hospital equipment. Any homeroom can decide to purchase some particular item. A plate bearing the fact will be inscribed and a Treasury citation will be sent to the purchaser.

This semester pupils can bring in orders for bonds from persons cutside school. The purchaser can buy the bond at any bank, postoffice, his place of work, or elsewhere, but at the top of the form he fills out, he must write, "Credit to Westport High School, Kansas City, Mo." He must then write out a slip saying that he has purchased a bond and the value of the bond purchased. This will be given to the war stamp representative, who will turn it in to Miss Card. The amount of these bonds will be added to the homeroom total.

A manuscript and assembly pro-

gram will be given to the school having the highest pupil participation between January 17 and today, January 26. Pupil participation will be figured on the percentage of pupils present who purchase bonds and stamps on the day of the sales. On this assembly program will appear Fanny Hurst, Louis Bromfield, Clifton Fadiman, and Carlos Romulo, and a valuable manuscript will be awarded to the school that ranks highest.

February 15 will be the official Treasure Hunt Day, when pupils will hunt up incomplete stamp books and finish filling them, turning them in for a bond.

"The faithfulness of the members of the War Stamp council in attending meetings is gratifying," Miss Gales said, "but there still are a few rooms that suffer because the representatives don't come, but depend on learning what happened at the meetings by getting the information second hand."

## A Good Citizen Is a Voting Citizen

Just how important is a city, state and national election? Just how important is voting to every adult old enough to vote?

This is a story of an election in Kansas City, a great city in the heart of a great democracy. In November, 1942, the people of this city elected congressmen, who would help run the war, and who might be assigned to help make the peace; they chose men who would run the state and the county.

Amendments to the state constitution were to be approved or voted down. A new constitutional convention to rectify a worn out state constitution was to be voted upon; amendments to the city charter were to be decided, and what happened? What did the good, loyal citizens of this great city in a great democracy do? Seventy-one out of a hundred, could not, would not or did not vote, only twenty-nine out of each hundred exercised the most vital political right belonging to the people of a democracy.

Is this what our boys are fighting for, to preserve a free land for a lot of uninformed, uninterested people who do not exercise their right to vote? A good citizen is a voting citizen, one who cherishes democracy and one who will do his duty in preserving it.

### Think Before You Vote in Class Elections

In one of his letters Dr. Hunt spoke of a mother who was indignant because certain students held all the school's important offices. The "activity point system" is supposed to prevent this monopoly of offices by certain students, yet no one will deny that most of the important offices in the school are controlled by one small group. We will not argue the point of their ability to manage affairs efficiently, but there are other equally competent students who never receive school honors.

All students are the voters. It is their responsibility to observe ability in neglected students and put it to use.

Let's show we are not merely followers but intelligent voters. Regard each election as an important event. Think before you vote!

#### LIFE HISTORY OF A JOKE

Birth: Freshman thinks up a joke in study, chuckles mirthfully, waking up two seniors in back row.

Age: five minutes: Freshman tells it to senior who says, "I've heard it before."

Age: one week: Senior turns it in to the Editor as his own who thinks that confidentially . . . Well, you know what!

Age: three months: Editor has to fill up space, prints joke, crediting it to school paper.

Age: 10 years: "College Humor" prints joke as original.

Age: 50 years: Seventy-five radio comedians (?) simultaneously discover the joke and relate it amid howls of mirth from the orchestra (\$5 a howl).

Age: 100 years: Teacher begins to tell this joke in class.

-With thanks to the Hyde Park Weekly.

# This Day in History

Today is the one hundred and sixth birthday of the "Wolverine" state. However, the wolverine which gave the state its nickname is almost extinct.

Admitted in 1837, Michigan is best described by the phrase: "Si Quaeris Peninsulam Amoenam Circumspice" (if thou seekest a beautiful peninsula, behold it here).

It was also this day in history when Texas cast her lot with the Confederacy.

Firm in his belief that he touched the shores of Asia on this day in 1493, Columbus set sail for Spain, where he delivered a report of his expedition.

The United States Japanese trade treaty was denounced in 1940.

Steven—"Some other person's pants."

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# Help the Mail Clerks!

During the hours that student mail clerks wrestled with all sizes and all sorts of mail from all parts of the world during the holidays' they decided that never again would they collaborate with the rest of the world in swamping the post office with Christmas cards.

It perhaps has never occurred to the mailing public that a canceling machine was made to cancel a regulation letter size envelope. All other sizes, those "itsy bitsy" ones that slip around and get lost in the pigeon holes, the great big ones that have to be bent to get into the holes, have to be canceled by hand and handled two or three times extra before they are ready for delivery.

Often a card or a letter of importance cannot be delivered because it has no address and the name and address of the sender is lacking. Valuable articles drop out of envelopes and never are sent on because there is nothing to indicate where they should go.

Great amounts of mail are held up and in many cases never are delivered because of insufficient address, lack of postage and no return. A letter or parcel is not ready to mail unless it is properly addressed and stamped, and carries the sender's name and address.

A vote of thanks goes to the cafeteria employees for the larger variety and finer quality of food being offered for sale now. It is possible to buy a nourishing, delicious lunch at minimum cost. Let's tell them we appreciate this service, the next time we stop to purchase something and try to cooperate with them in every way.

Teacher—"If you have \$10 in one pocket and \$15 in the other pocket, what have you?" Steven—"Some other person's

# Broken Street Lights Cost a Jeep a Month

The metal cover of a broken globe clangs dismally against a lamp post. Who threw the pebble that smashed the globe?

This question cannot be answered because persons who hurl stones at street lamps never are eager to be identified and run for cover when they hit their target. However, evidence collected by the Power and Light company over a period of years warrants the conclusion that youngsters of school age are responsible for most of the damage, although vandals of both sexes up to the age of 25 have been caught in the act.

A chart prepared by V. A. Julian of the Kansas City Power and Light company shows in graphic form the breakage of glassware and bulbs in 1941 and 1942 and the first ten months of 1943. The peak was reached in November, 1941, when 1,190 street lamps were damaged. The vandals were less active last year, yet in May the company replaced nearly 1,100 broken globes and bulbs. The smallest loss was in December, 1941. Only 300 lamps were put out of commission in that month but in January, 1942, the total was 460. The monthly average for approximately three years runs close to 700 shattered globes and almost as many bulbs. The bulbs sometimes survive when the globes are blitzed.

A lamp post occasionally is hit by a careless driver or a skidding motor ćar, or the limbs of trees broken in a storm may fall on a street lamp but after studying the reports of the repair crews which service the city lighting system Mr. Julian is convinced that barely 5 per cent of the damage to street lamps is the result of accidents. "Nearly all of the broken globes and bulbs are destroyed with malice aforethought," he insists.

This type of malicious mischief runs into big money, "a jeep a month," according to Mr. Julian. It costs \$6 to replace a single globe and a bulb including the price of each article and the installation. Quite frequently sockets are ruined, causing additional expense.

Seven hundred, the number of casualties in one month, multiplied by \$6, equals \$4,200 and twelve times \$4,200 makes the annual cost of vandalism \$50,400.

The total loss can't be measured in terms of money. Quantities of tungsten, copper and other metals urgently needed for military uses are wasted, and skilled labor is diverted from war production. Vandals aid the enemy.

# It Sez Here

Well, those little bundles of joy (reports to you) have now been returned. Along with the frayed nerves of many of our studes, we might add. Say, it was sure thoughtful of the teachers to give us that day and a half vacation before springing those grades on us, wasn't it?

Virginia Church and Gladys Morgan revived the annual custom of pledging themselves to more study and fewer dates during the coming semester.

Want Ad: Dottie Andrews is looking for a man, preferably tall, dark and handsome; but anyway a man.—Maybe that's the reason she was all dressed up last Tuesday!

Joedan Saunders and Martha Rush wish to announce their New Arrangement—they "go steady" on Fridays!

Betty Golding seems to have accumulated a large supply of pretzels. All she'll say about them is "The sign said take all you want." Now isn't that irony, or something?

In case you've ever wanted to know how to cut out paper dolls in a row, ask Bob Waltner. He can spend a whole evening explaining it.

Marilyn Cloonan, who usually carries on an intelligent conversation, just walks around mumbling "50c assessment—50c assessment." It sez here a few of the studes did their valentine shopping early. Maybe they just want to jam up the post-Christmas deliveries.

We've just discovered what Bob Martin meant when he said he didn't close the window because that wasn't the kind of draft he was worried about. (He'll be 18 in about one week.)

Who's this potatoes Au Gratin that Sherry Holland talks about? Any relation to the O'Grady family?

Keith Chader has peculiar habits. We saw him walking down the line in the middle of the highway last week. And who do you suppose his audience was? Two men in strange uniforms sitting on strange two wheeled vehicles.

Is there a professional safe breaker in the house? Helen Dodds forgot the combination to the lock on her gym locker over the Christmas holidays, and is now willing to resort to desperate measures to get her gym shoes.

Now that the "swooner crooner" film has left the Orpheum, Phyllis Mimran and Elaine Schuetz are trying to pay back some of the money they borrowed to see it those two dozen times.

In case any of you fellas like to raid the icebox, Elaine Britt's house is the place for you to go. It seems they keep all their valuables, including nine \$50 war bonds, in the ice box, just in case there's a fire!

NOTE TO PARENTS: If you've had trouble getting little Murgetroid to come to school, he evidently hasn't seen Eileen Wright! If Murgy doesn't want to come after getting a squint at her, Murgetroid is a little dope!

#### RED CROSS NEEDS MORE MEN NURSES MISS BURKE SAYS

Miss Burke described the rule of the Red Cross in the war at the last meeting of the War Information Group. She stressed the importance of male nurses, declaring there were only 1300 now serving in the United States. She explained that men are especially helpful during operations.

The Red Cross is aiding tremendously in this war, she said. Its workers make bandages, back paper drives, collect money to support schools for refugees and war orphans, (thirteen such schools have been started in England), supply hospitals with Grey Ladies, nurses' aides, and hospital aides.

After completing her report, the club members had an open discussion of the Red Cross, under the direction of David Hochberg, president.

The librarian at Fort Scott high school has finally found a way to keep those studes busy who persist in not studying. They're sent down to the cafeteria to wipe dishes.

#### RESERVES TO GIVE INFORMAL DANCE AT Y. W. C. A. FEB. 5

Sweaters, skirts and flats will be the order of the day at the February Frolics, an informal dance to be given Saturday, February 5, at the YWCA by the Girl Reserves.

The jive will all be canned, and for those who prefer not to dance, there will be roller skating, ping-pong, shuffleboard, darts, singing, etc. Of course there will be plenty of refreshments for all.

This is one of the parties that no Girl Reserve should miss. To be eligible to a ticket, one must be a fully paid member of GR, and have attended at least half of the meetings.

Tickets may be obtained from Miss Durboraw or Shirley Elliott, social chairman.

Through the years the machine shop classes of Everett high, Everett, Wash., have been entirely masculine, but this year something new was added and this something new was Jerry Phelan, first girl ever to enroll for machine shop.

#### January 26, 1944

# The Superintendent Says –

To My High School Friends:

Participation in the monthly meeting of the All-City Student Council is always a pleasant experience. On the second Monday of each month in Room 301 of the Administration Building representatives of all the public secondary schools of Kansas City, senior and junior, come together to discuss mutual school problems. It is always a matter of regret to me that these deliberations cannot be broadcast by radio enabling all of you to hear the discussions or that the Council meeting cannot be held in an auditorium large enough permitting your attendance. You would be impressed as I am, I am certain, with the concern of your representatives for the good name of the Kansas City Public Schools. You would feel, I know, as I do the full realization of responsibility on the part of your building representatives. I write, therefore, this tribute to the Council members for their faithful attendance and for their zealous eagerness that improvement and progress should characterize the Kansas City Public Schools.

Let me add my plea to others that you are now hearing and reading in support of the Fourth War Bond Campaign. The need is urgent; it must be met. Funds received from the sale of War Bonds during this campaign will be earmarked for hospital evacuation unit equipment. This happy suggestion occurred to the public schools' War Bond Committee as a result of the recent visit to Kansas City of Lieut, Col. E. H. Hashinger, eminent Kansas City surgeon, now in this country on special assignment but formerly in charge of a hospital evacuation unit that has seen distinguished service in Africa and Sicily and which is now in England likely, it is assumed, in preparation for the coming invasion. I do not know how many of you heard Colonel Hashinger's radio talk directed to the pupils of the Kansas City Public Schools but if you did you could not fail to be impressed with the sincerity of his presentation and the importance of the cause. In the Third War Bond drive the Kansas City Public Schools bought more than \$250,000 worth of bonds. It is hoped that in the present campaign a goal of \$300,000 may be reached. It will be and easily if each of us does his part. Here is an opportunity for your personal participation in the war effort-your chance to "back the attack."

"Can Do, Will Do, Did" is the slogan of the Seabees, valiant arm of

#### MISS MILDRED SMALL NEW PHYSICAL ED. TEACHER

A recent addition to the teaching staff is Miss Mildred Small, physical education instructor, who has taken over four freshmen classes and one elective class, replacing several substitutes who have taught the girls since the beginning of school. Before coming to Westport, Miss Small taught at Northeast, Northeast junior and Southeast, and before this instructed in Iowa, Illinois, and other Missouri schools. Prior to her teaching she worked for the government in Washington, D. C. She also has taught commercial subjects and is planning to teach them nights at a community center. She formerly was the director of a U.S.O. organization in Mississippi in connection with the Gulf Ordnance Plant. Miss Small hails from Marshall, Mo., and took her undergraduate work at Warrensburg Teachers College. She received her master's degree from Iowa University. She has an interesting hobby of collecting China shoes, of which she has sixty pairs, representing twenty-five states, Hawaii, and Holland. She also enjoys tennis and golf. Westport is happy to welcome Miss Small.

#### Art Club Members Hear Talk by Mildred Clawson, '24

Mildred Clawson, '36, was the guest speaker at the Jules Guerin meeting January 7. She is now a free lance commercial artist, specializing in costume illustrations.

All were favorably impressed with Miss Clawson's introduction of "Craft Tint," a paper on which clear chemicals are applied with a brush for the grey and black shading. Although higher in prices than most papers it is a great saving in time when preparing drawings to be printed in the paper.

Miss Clawson has worked her way up in the commercial art field from painting snow on Edna Marie Dunnes Christmas cards in vacations from school to a highly respected artist.

While at Westport she was president of the Jules Guerin Art club and art editor of the Herald in her senior year.

the fighting Navy. This statement of courage, determination and accomplishment might well be adopted as a program of personal action. Its realization would give purpose and direction to your life. Think it over!

Faithfully yours,

Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools,

## Corridor Echoes

A full A Cappella Choir of about seventy pupils will give a concert at the Linwood Presbyterian church, January 30, at 7:30 p. m.

Martha Porter was the only student in the physiography classes who made a perfect score on the semester test. Virginia Palmer missed only one question.

Lenore Ward, a sophomore, and Vivian Johnson, a senior, entertained soldiers in Oklahoma City as part of a troupe of dancers over the weekend.

Jerome Mandl participated in the presentation of Rimsky-Korsakoff's opera, "Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo" at the Music Hall earlier in the month.

Miss Guffin has taken temporary charge of two sewing classes formerly taught by Miss Mary Moulton, who is now attending the University of Minnesota on leave of absence. Miss Cook has taken charge of Miss Moulton's hall during the first half of the third hour in room 213.

Marilou Miller has had to depend on crutches lately, after a fall while playing basketball

Shirley Newman, a sophomore, moved to Lewistown, Pa., January 20, where she will attend high school.

Gloria Single and Zella Andrews, '43, have clerical positions in the North American Aviation office.

Marcia Newton, '43, and Bill Clarkson, '43, are engaged.

Janice Ward, '42, is working at Rothschild's.

Nancy Lee Farmer, '43, was married recently to Sgt. John Allen Gréaves in the post chapel at Fort Leavenworth, where he is stationed.

Mary Collins, '43, returned to Stephens College recently after giving a going-away party for twenty of her Westport girl friends.

Ann Chase, '43, who won a scholarship to Webster College, has been elected president of the freshman class.

Mary and Amy Guinotte transferred to Sunset Hill at the end of the semester.

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## Under the Clock

Miss Cannon has a country house right in town. Although she lives right off the Plaza, she receives her mail through rural delivery.

Don Jennings gave quite an interpretation of a little boy and a choochoo train when presenting a monologue in Miss Gales' speech class.

Miss Gales is contemplating opening a love-lorn bureau for the soulful couples who congregate in front of 209.

Bob Martin wonders why Miss Bechtel calls him "Pa." He doesn't know it's spelled "Paw."

Phyllis Baird had quite an adventure recently. She played golf on a field covered with ice. Can't you imagine what happened?

Several students would like to know if Mrs. Miner baked that lemon pie for Coach Chubb after the Westport-Southeast game.

Margaret Ekholm will testify that the Thirty-ninth Street buses were crowded the day of the Southeast game.

The seniors, who were beginning to feel rather "high and mighty" were reduced to their former inglorious selves by the aptitude tests last Monday.

Keith Chader's "Minnesota Hop" dancing is cute to watch. Only trouble is nobody can follow it, and who wants to dance solo!

Norma Dehmer and Dick Sevier have a thing or two to say to those people who made nasty little remarks when they started going steady. This marks their third (mo.) anniversary.

Melba Nelson came to school every day for nearly two weeks. Jack must have a lot of influence!

Everyone was surprised recently to see Tom Doty in an R. O. T. C. uniform. The truth of the matter is, he has been in R. O. T. C. all year, but until lately he couldn't get a uniform big enough to enclose his physique.

Sherry Wampler says the only time she lacks pep is at home. Bob Zucco, like the Seven Dwarfs, loves to whistle while he works.

Kenneth Jacoby really gets around. At least, his books do.

"Glamour Girl" Eileen Wright knows how to handle her men. Ask Reed Murray. Her formula for recovering a lost coat is to pour one glass of plain water on the head of the culprit.

Elaine Britt's latest theme song is, "Be Honest With Me." Bob Heilman's singing the same tune.

Have you heard the latest musical masterpiece composed by several of our contemporary master-minds? It's a little ditty called, "Do Your Teeth Overlap."

Audrey Brann is certainly happy over something. Perhaps it's that ring she's wearing, third finger, left hand.

Gwendolyn Boerner has acquired the nickname, of all things, "Muscles."

Jolene Lombardo astounded everyone in the cafeteria recently when she produced a cheese and mustard sandwich.

When discussing "how to drive a car," Barbara Young said, "I did fine on my first lesson. I drove three leaps forward and one leap back!"

Emma Ziegler really looked cute in gym one day when she wore leg makeup, and it didn't reach the end of her gym suit!

Ever since she found out that Olivia de Haviland's waist was one inch smaller than her own, Jo Ann Ready has been dieting.

Ometa Seigland thinks she lives in the Accidental Hemisphere.

Although Jack Hoopes received a W pin, the only time he sees it is when he sees Dottie Crabtree. (He's not so dumb.)

There's only one question we wish Marjorie Miller would answer—How did that fire start?

#### Ingredients for a Dance

First a drag Then a stag, A policeman, too To see them through, A permit, then From city men, A chaperon To add some tone, And then perchance You have a dance.

# Scholarships Offered

Posted in room 213 are scholarship notices from these schools:

notices from these schools: Armour College of Engineering, Chicago; Connecticut College for Women, New London, Conn.; Cornell University -College of Enginering; University of Chicago; De Pauw University; Grinneli College, Iowa: Harvard College, Johns Hopkins University; University of Kansas; Sarah Lawrence College; Mills College, Cal; Missouri-Valley College; Randolph-Macon Woman's College; National College of Education, Evanston, III.; Princeton University; Rockford College; Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla.; Webster College, Webster Groves, Mo.; Yale University, Conn.; and the Seven College Conference for girls, Bernard, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar, and Wellesley.

Seniors who are interested may obtain bulletins and applications from Miss Hatch. They are asked to bear in mind that college entrance dates are March 1, July 1, and November 1. "The winning of a scholarship depends largely on class rank," said Miss Hatch.

When Miss Jones took up her daily collection from gum chewers one day, Mary Jane McCord paid in advance.

Everyone is worrying about the friendship that has sprung up between Marian Wilson and Norman Sands.

Eddie McLeroy feels pretty good about having shaken the hand of Mr. Aurtur Rubinstein. Since his introduction to the famous musician, Eddie has been allowing appreciative musiclovers to shake his honored hand.

The reason for so much talking in Miss Shelley's third hour class is that she wears such beautiful jewelry.

> Girls, look before you leap. Every bargain isn't cheap!

Too much shrinkage in Miss Bechtel's first hour class. From now on the word shrink is to be outlawed.

"That basket is prejudiced!" exclaimed a disgusted basketball player after ten or twelve fruitless attempts at scoring.

After a recent visit to Miss Eggleston's fourth hour class, we understand why so many students decided to take Latin this year.

It would seem that eating the last half of fifth hour would make the fifth hour monitors pale and thin, but they act perfectly normal.

Deborah Stein is undoubtedly the most patient person in Westport. One morning she waited an hour and ten minutes to get into the typing room.

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

## Among our Servicemen

Luck has been with two of Westport's boys, Pvt. Bill Zimmerman and Pvt. Jim Neustadt, two of the 200 Marines who escaped alive from the battle on Tarawa. Pvt. Zimmerman is in a base hospital at Pearl Harbor and Pvt. Neustadt is somewhere in the South Pacific.

Merlin Meeks, '40, Aviation Cadet, now stationed at Cimarron Field, Oklahoma City, has been home on a leave as a result of a broken hand.

Lillian Sandy, '40 has joined the Women's Marine Corps, and Bonnie Banta, '40, is a WAC.

Sergt. Willis A. Daily, Jr., '38, is scheduled to receive the Legion of Merit for meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding services in North Africa.

Robert B. Lowary, '43, stationed at Norman, Ok., has been promoted to pharmacist's mate third class. This is Bob's fourth promotion during the six months he has been in the navy.

Rowland C. Timberlake, a former Westporter, has been awarded the Navy and Marine Corps medal for heroic conduct in saving a pilot's life, despite the danger involved, by a burning plane. Timberlake enlisted in July, 1942, just after completing his junior year.

A recent visitor was Charles Higgins, pharmacist's mate second class, stationed at Farragut, Ida.

Harold Bowman of the engineer division of the Air Leafs visited Miss Guffin last week.

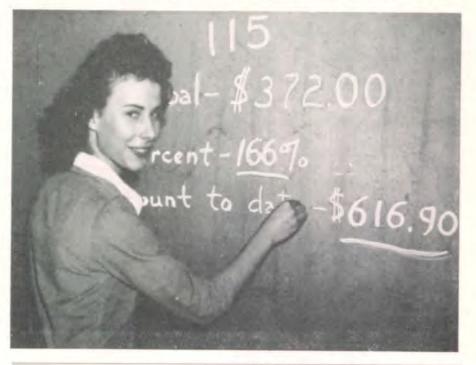
"Is Miss Totten still teaching and smiling as she used to?" asks Sgt. Melvin P. Thayer, '41, U. S. Army, in a letter to Mr. Van Horne. He is stationed in England.

"No one writes to me," moaned Aviation Cadet Bruce Gillespie, '42, who is stationed at Corpus Christi, when your inquiring reporter maneuvered over his way. Doesn't anyone want to make a soldier happy?

Eddy Wagner has left school to enlist in the Navy.

Miss Elsie Catherine Pilsl was married December 7 to Lt. Mark Richard Stacer, who is stationed at Camp Callen, Calif. Lieutenant Stacer's sister is a sophomore here.

The Star printed a picture of Patricia Sue Garrett, 2 months old, daughter of Corp. Robert S. Garrett, '41. Homeroom 115 Makes High Score in Stamp Sales



#### 9 SENIOR BOYS PASS NAVY V-5 PHYSICAL AND MENTAL TESTS

Lieut. Harold Knight of the U. S. Navy spoke to senior boys January 14 in room 4 concerning the V-5 program. Boys already 17 or almost 17 were permitted to take the V-5 test if they so desired. Twenty boys qualified for age but eleven of these had something wrong with their eyes, ears, or teeth. All of the nine remaining passed the mental test.

These boys are able to enter Naval Aviation if they wish, but it is not compulsory. Lieutenant Knight said that the percentage of Westporters who passed the physical was the lowest in Kansas City, but the percentage passing the mental tests was the highest. The nine boys who passed both tests were Eddie Milliken, Gordan Swanson, Norman Huling, Roy Brown, Howard Vermillion, Barclay Stanley, Bob O'Dwyer, Ed Davis, and Ray Casebolt.

Any boy who has some questions about the V-5 training program should go to the Naval Aviation Flight Selection Board at 1009 Baltimore avenue.

Dick Fristoe was re-elected president of the Hi-Y club for the second semester at the meeting held January 11. Tom Doty was chosen vicepresident; Joe Saunders, secretary; Bob O'Dwyer, treasurer; and Marion Hammond, sergeant-at-arms. Guy May was appointed chaplain by the president.

# Typing Awards

Two outstanding awards have been won in the typing department this month. Maurine Filson, a beginning student, was awarded for 60 words a minute, and Natalie Stromwaser was the first advanced student to qualify for a 70-word-a-minute award. Other awards for this month were won by the following:

Margie Stauffer, Bob Kelley, Norma Luetjen, Marjorie Walthall, Marjorie Wuebbold, Ruby Allen, Frank Allison, Marion Ruben, Cecil Sedgwick, 20.

Jean Suffill, Marilyn Furby, Marion Ruben, Jean Watson, Alice Jeanne Bailey, Donald Ogilvie, Wanda Queen, Florence Hagstrom, Juanita Coy, Martha Weber, Vivian Johnson, Anita Boresow, Carl James, Ellsworth Clark, Shirley Farley, 30.

Mary Helen Kelly, Margaret Ekholm, Edith Brown, Lorraine Jewitt, 40.

Lois Carnahan, Emma Schuler, Betty Bly Andrews, Darlene Ocheskey, Mickey Freed, Dorothy Arrington, Carol Westerdahl, Jeanne Reitz, Phyllis Mimran, 50; Geraldine Brooks, 60.

#### Miss Templeman Gives Reserves Tips on New Hair Style

Miss Helen Templeman, head of the Templeman School of Beauty Culture, talked to Girl Reserves Wednesday, January 16.

About fifty girls, who heard the lecture received pointers on the latest styles, tricks of make-up, and personality pointers.

Miss Templeman says that the pompadour is definitely going out, and will be replaced by a new hairstyle called the flat-top. The hair will be smoothed away from the forehead, following the lines of the head. She also explained how to apply makeup.

### Circular Letters Bring News to Former School Pals

When Robert O'Keefe, Lynn Barber, Charles Rouse, and Jean Bart entered Westport they organized a club known as the Chessmen. They each chose one new member to enter, provided he was approved by the others. The club grew through the years until it had 45 members. In the early part of the fall last year Jean Bart returned to Kansas City and went to see Mrs. O'Keefe, Robert's mother. Jean had been with the Army in the Aleutians for twenty-two months and wanted to know about the other members.

She was unable to tell him much about anyone except her son, so she decided to write letters to all of the 45 Chessmen to see what they were doing. It took her nearly two months to find their addresses since so many had moved and at last the first "Budgie's News Letter" was sent to all 45 in October. "Budgie" was the nickname they had given her. The letter contained the name, rank or position, address, and a bit of gossip about each one.

Mrs. O'Keefe plans to keep these circulating monthly until after the war is over and the club can meet again.

#### AIRMEN GIVE \$10 TO CHURCH FOR EACH SUCCESSFUL RAID

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Anderson, 3807 Genesee street, received a letter from their son, Lieut. Marvin D. Anderson, '40, thought to be in England. He said:

"It has been only through the grace of God that we have returned from some of the tough raids we've been on. I wish you would put \$10 of my money in the collection at church for every raid from which I return."

And so the Covenant Evangelical Church has received \$110 from the parents of the crew of the Spirit of '44, for the eleven successful raids in which Lieutenant Anderson participated.

He attended the University of Kansas City and the University of Colorado before he entered the service two and a half years ago.

#### Jim Grigsby, '33, Killed in Air Crash

Sergt. James M. Grigsby, '33, was killed in a plane crash recently near Wendover, Utah. Grigsby, who was stationed as an instructor in radio and gunnery at Sioux City, Ia., was holder of the Air Medal, with an Oak Leaf Cluster. He had participated in fifty bombing missions, fifteen over Europe and thirty-five in the Mediterranean area. "James was modest, conscientious, and always on the job," said Mr. Van Horne of his former student.

#### PREARRANGED PROGRAMS SUIT MAJORITY OF PUPILS

First semester casualties who needed immediate attention received first aid treatment in the office last Friday where they were given prescriptions in the form of readjusted programs. Other lame ducks, chiefly underclassmen enrolled in full year courses, were permitted to continue in the same classes.

More than 85 per cent of the students followed recitation schedules previously arranged by home room teachers with the advice and aid of Miss Hatch and Mr. Harris.

Second semester classes in all of the courses provided for were organized Friday, except in retailing 2. This class will be discontinued because C. E. Irwin, the instructor, is leaving the school system. Miss Alice R. Moss has been assigned to the two art classes formerly in charge of Miss Moulton.

#### SEASON BASKETBALL TICKETS ISSUED TO 970 STUDENTS

Significant of the war-time shift in population is the fact that 970 students were issued basketball season tickets whereas more than 1,000 activity tickets were sold at the first of the school year. Also, as in past years, there are a few owners of activity tickets who cannot attend the games and therefore do not bother to obtain a basketball ticket.

All students are urged to leave their activity tickets at home. If this ticket is lost, a duplicate can be secured from Mr. Shearer in room 309 at a cost of 25 cents. The activity ticket will be needed to reserve a seat for the spring play and to receive a copy of the Herald at the end of the school year.

Single copies of the Herald will cost \$2 without an activity ticket.

#### Covert Heads Air Corps Cadets

The Westport Air Corps Cadets is the name of a new club. Members are senior boys who have passed all preliminary examinations and have been accepted by the army, navy, or the marine air corps. Other boys who are applying for entrance into the air corps may become members of the Westport club when they have passed the examinations. Don Covert is president, Jack Hoopes vice-president, and George Evans secretary-treasurer of the new organization. Other members are Myron Edwards, James Fray, Phillips Hicks, Jack Morton, Lloyd Quigley, Jamie Reich, William Ragan, David Sutton, Ed Stewart, and John White.

#### JIM MULLIS HIGHEST SCORER IN GYM CLASSES

The highest point total in Mr. Shepherd's gym classes for the ten weeks just closed was credited to Jim Mullis, hour 6. Jim scored a grand total of 59 out of a possible 60. The point Jim lost was in basketball free throws. He received only an "S" or three points, on this. Close behind were Kemper and Moon with 57 and 56 points respectively. A grade of E counts for 4 points; S, 3 points, etc.

The following boys scored 50 or more points: Mullis, 59; Kemper, 57; Moon, Kreamelmeyer, 56; Everly, Carter, Wray, Swanson, 55; Harte, Williams, 54; Kester, 53; Gershon, Olson, Emis, 52; Davis, Talcroft, Shaw, 51; Stewman, 50.

One of the final examinations in Mr. Shepherd's gym classes was the running of 20 laps, four-fifths of a mile. The school record was turned in by Swanson of Hour 2, 4:39.

The boys were divided into three groups, large, medium, and small, except in hour 4. Because of a small class only two groups were formed.

The class winners, with large, medium, and small in that order are:

Hour	Name	Time
1.	Jacoby	4:55
	Tropp	
	Everly	4:49
	Jones	. 4:49
2.	Shotwell	4:57
	Swanson	4:39
	Thompson	5:15
4.	Kim	4:51
	Carter	. 4:53
5.	B. Harte	. 4:40
	Moon	. 4:40
	Spiller	. 4:40
б.	Mullis	. 4:40
	Owens	. 4:50
	Pendleton	. 5:20

The school champions are as follows: Large, B. Harte and Mullis, 4:40; medium. Swanson, 4:39; small, C. Jones, 4:49.

#### **Recreation Center Planned**

A new project for Westport students now being considered in the Student Council is a recreation center. A council committee first will consult with the P.-T. A., which has been discussing the plan, and with Miss Sally Morehead, coordinator for the Westport district. During a recent interview. Miss Morehead said that the student council committee and the P.-T. A. committee probably will have to appear before a community meeting which will be held the latter part of this month. It seems that the main difficulty is finding a convenient location. Mrs. Schuler, P .-T. A. president, says the association will be willing to help in every way that they can.

# Tigers in 3-Way Tie for Second Place

By virtue of a 33-23 victory over Central Saturday night Westport moved into a three-way tie for second place in the interscholastic league with 3 victories and 1 defeat. The victory, the second of the week-end, came at the expense of a team highly regarded yet victoryless in the league. With five Tigers hitting the basket for at least 3 points, the Tigers were a smooth working machine, far different from the team that played the opening game with Washington Rural high.

Bob O'Brien maintained his leadership in the scoring department by dropping in 6 goals and 2 free throws. This brings his season's total to 64, or an average of 16 points a game.

Leading again by 5 points at the half, O'Brien and Carras went to work and increased the total to 10 at the final gun.

The once mighty Blue Eagles had no one to match the scoring prowess of Carras and O'Brien. Scofield led the Central attack with 5 points, while Carras and O'Brien scored 9 and 14 respectively.

Despite the early loss to Southwest, the Tigers still have a chance for the championship, and the game with Manual, February 25, the last league tilt, may determine the titleholder.

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O'Brien, f	6	2	1	Storer, f	2	0	3		
Dulaney, f	1	1		Wilson, f	2	0	0		
Jox, f	0	0	3	I. Adams, c	1	2	4		
Jershon, f	0	0		Hemenw'y, f	1	1	3		
Carras, c	3	3	0	Ham'tree, c	0	0	2		
Feagans, g	1	1		Prudden, g	1	1	3		
Higgins, g	1	2	0	Scofield, g	2	1	5		
	-	-	-	Keaton, g	0	0	0		
Totals	12	9	10		_	-	_		
				Totals	9	5	20		
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Recreation League standings, Tuesday night:

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Almighty All-Stars	5	0
Tiger Cubs	. 4	1
Blackhawks	3	2
FIOL ROCKS		24.24 23
Senior Tigers	. 2	3
Hornets	2	4
Hellcats		4
Yellow Jackets	1	5
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Thursday night:		

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Cobras							4					ŝ				0	4

The Greyhound Tiger says, "A snob is a person who wants to know only the people who don't want to know him."

#### LEAGUE STANDINGS

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Manual								4	0
Westport .								3	1
Southwest .								3	1
Northeast .	é	÷	÷		1			3	1
East	 2			2		2		2	2
Southeast .								1	3
Paseo		1						0	- 4
Central								0	4

## Cagers Beat Knights to Win First Victory

Friday, January 14, 1944, may well be called a red letter day in the history of athletics at Westport high school. On this day the Tiger basketeers won their first victory of the season.

In their second league contest, the Tigers swamped the Southeast Knights, 32-18, at the Rockhurst fieldhouse. Using the same starting lineup as in the other games, except for Dulaney who started for the injured regular, Dick Cox, the Tigers played superbly and now definitely may be regarded as a threat, despite their 2point loss to Southwest.

The Knights started strong, gaining a 4-0 lead shortly after the opening whistle. The Tigers hit their stride and kept ahead. Nick Carras was the big gun in the first half with O'Brien held scoreless except for free throws.

When O'Brien started, in the second half, there was no stopping him, and he scored the game's highest total, 14 points, closely followed by Carras and the Knight ace, Dwight Fricke, both with 11. Several times Fricke brought roars of approval from his section by sinking baskets from back of the free throw line. The strong Tiger defense prevented him from getting under the basket.

Outstanding defensive player for Westport was Bob Higgins, who did an excellent job of guarding Fricke and Dulaney who was sensational on retrieving the opponents' rebounds.

The summaries:

Westport-	-32		Southeast-18	
G	FT	F	G FT	F
O'Brien, f4	6	- 0	Fricke, f5 1	1
Huckstep, f 0	0	0	Bedell, f 1 3	1
Dulaney, f0	0	2	Fitzg'ld, f0 0	3
Gershon, f. 0	0	1	Kraft, f0 1	0
Carras, c4	3	3	Cook, c0 0	0
M. Teeter, c 1	0	0	Dunn, g0 1	3
Feagans, g.2	1	1	Jolley, g 0 0	4
R. Teeter, g 0	0	0	Burton, g 0 0	- î
Higgins, g0	0	3		_
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Half score,				

An "Enfield" rifle, a sample of the rifle that may be issued in place of the wooden drill rifles now in use, has been received. The Enfield is about four inches longer and six pounds heavier than the drill rifles and dwarfs a number of the smaller cadets.

#### January 26, 1944

# Meet the Team

An outstanding sophomore cager, Pat Dulaney, was promoted to the starting lineup in the Southeast game. Entered in place of the .njured Whitey Cox, Pat was excellent in snatching the ball away from the Knights, and always seemed to be in the right spot on rebounds. Dulaney, who crowds the 6 foot mark, has played center in several games, handling this difficult post with the skill and finesse of a veteran.

Jack Miller is the third member of the cage squad who also plays on the tennis team. A one-year letterman in tennis he also received a second team basketball letter last year. Jack is 5 ft., 11 inches tall and weighs 130 pounds, a good build for a basketball player, tall and slender. A senior, the experience he has gained in the past two seasons should be an asset to the Tigers.

#### SCORING SPREE UPSETS PIRATES IN SECOND HALF

Paseo, the defending champions, proved no match for the rejuvenated Westport Tigers as they dropped a 36-23 decision on the auditorium arena Friday night. Bob O'Brien, stellar forward, took over the league's scoring leadership by making 9 field goals and 3 free throws, for a 21-point total.

Ahead only 14-9 at the half, O'Brien, Feagans, and Carras went on a second half scoring spree for a total of 22 points. Using every bit of his 6 foot, 3 inch frame to good advantage, O'Brien was outstanding under the basket. Much of the credit should go to Carras and Feagans who setup O'Brien throughout the game. Bob Higgins again played an outstanding defensive game for the Tigers.

Leading scorer for the Pirates was Lacy, a guard, with an 11 point total, followed by Arnold with 5. O'Brien with 21 and Bill Feagans with 8 were the big guns in the Tiger offensive.

Westpo	rt-	36		Pasco-	-23		
	GI	FI	F		GI	FЛ	F
O'Brien, f	9	3	2	Alpert, f	0	0	0
Rider, f	0	0	0	Price, f	0	0	1
Dulaney,	f 0	1	2	McCal'ster,	£ 1	0	0
Cox, f	0	2		Arnold f	2	1	1
Carras, c	2	0	2	Clifton e	0	1	5
M.Teeter,	C 0	0	0	Deloyht, c	0	0	2
Feagans,	g 3	2	2	Danley, g	1	0	2
Gershon, p	g 0	0	0	Tischer, f	0	0	0
Higgins, p	z 0	0	1	Present, g	1	0	3
Miller, g	0	0	0	Coleman, g	0	0	0
	-	-	-	Lacy, g	4	3	1
Totals	14	8	12	Rader, f	0	0	0
				Totals	9	5	13

Referees-Brown and Slaymaker, Half score-14-9, Westport.

Members of the Irving club filled stockings for the children of the City Union Mission and not for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, as stated erroneously in the last Crier.

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## McCord and Hersberg Chosen S. O. S. Majors

In recognition of outstanding work they have done in cooperation with the Government and the Office of Civilian Defense, Mary Jane McCord and Charles Hersberg were chosen majors at a recent meeting of the Westport S. O. S. Volunteers. Two such majors are also to be selected from the other high schools in Kansas City. They were voted by their fellow workers as the two who had performed their tasks in the most systematic and successful manner. Judging was on the basis of how well the distribution of pamphlets had been carried out, how much effort was put forth, how well the area was organized, and how well the territory was covered. Those who were present at the meeting and who also were competing for the title were Wilma Miller, Joicie Rule, Betty Taff, Delores Roller, Delores Hunter, and Bob Spencer.Five hundred students took part in the distribution of pamphlets, covering an area of 660 blocks, and delivering 96,000 pieces of material.

#### CANDIDATES NAMED FOR MID-TERM PLAY CAST

Following tryouts for the spring play held last week two groups of candidates were chosen for parts in the play. The girls who passed were:

Jeannie Whitney, Evelyn Stout, Beverly Van Bibber, Merres Starbuck, Catherine McKim, Tobie Brown, Joicie Rule, Barbara Owen, Lois Stillwell, Virginia Wright, Edla Carlson, Rita Rule, Ba Virginia Terry and Dorothy Terry.

#### The boys were:

Joe Fichter, Don Butler, Ed Davis, Jerome Mandl, Jimmy Littrell, Don Covert, Alfred Deshong, Tom Doty and Stuart Talcroft.

Miss Keeler says that the group shows unusual talent, but owing to the shortened time for rehearsal, only one cast will be selected. The play will be presented in the school auditorium late in March. The title has not been announced as yet.

The cover design for the 1944 Herald will be selected from entries submitted in a contest conducted by the art department. This contest is open to all pupils in the school. Applicants and all necessary information may be obtained from the art teachers.

## Slogan Winner



#### BILL FRANKE

Bill Franke, a junior, placed first in the War Stamp slogan contest. His winning slogan, "You buy, they fight, we win," was chosen from over 1,000 entries. Bill's slogan will be used as the official slogan of the War Stamp Council and a plaque bearing the words will be prepared by the art department for the office.

Second place was won by Dan Mac-Intyre, a junior, with his entry, "Every stamp a step; every bond a mile on the Victory road," R. E. Shannon, a freshman, placed third with his slogan, "To win in '44, we must buy more." First place winner was awarded \$5 in war stamps, second place \$1, and third place \$.50.

Judging the contest were Miss Nadine Miller, in charge of the Public Information Service of the Kansas City public schools. Lt. John E. Veum, USNR, and M. H. Shearer, instructor of physiography and aeronautics.

## This Is a Valentine

A frilly heart, a memory link, Forget-me-nots of blue and pink. A loving thought and Cupid's face.

A lover's knot tied up in lace. A moon, a star to wish upon Before the magic spell is gone. And then the all important line. "I love you, be my Valentine."

#### -E. S.

## Littrell Heads Second Term Student Council

Jimmy Littrell was chosen to head the second semester student council in the election held last Wednesday. Jimmy, a junior, was on the first team in football and is a member of the second team in basketball. Gail Goodrich, the new vice president, is a senior class officer, a member of Pundit, and is active in girls' sports. Tom Doty, the secretary, is a junior, and an officer in Hi-Y. Jean La Turin, a junior, was chosen treasurer. Jean is a member of Pundit. For the first time in many years three out of four of the officers are juniors. George Reasor was chosen delegate to the All-city Council.

The following are members of the business committees:

Freshmen, Shirley Alton, Bobby Wel-

Freshmen, Shirley Alton, Bobby Wei-gand, Marianne Jones. Sophomores, Bryan Riggs, Grace Dav-is, Barbara Harrington. Juniors, Jacqueline Kanally, Cather-ine McKim, Charles Frizzel. Seniors, Phyllis and Jim Mullis, Nancy Barnes.

#### SENIOR BALLOT TO BE CIRCULATED TOMORROW

The senior ballot will be circulated tomorrow in the home rooms and is to be returned to the distributors at the end of the home room period. Seniors are asked to have their candidates in mind and vote immediately after receiving the ballot.

In naming candidates only the names of seniors who will be graduated in June should be written on the ballot. Votes will be cast for the following:

Best known couple, Girl who has done most for Westport, Boy who has done most for Westport, Most popular boy, Most popular girl, Destinated girl, Most popular girl, Prettiest girl, Handsomest boy, Girl with best personality, Boy with best personality, Best dressed girl, Best dressed boy, Flirt (girls), Casanova (boy), Best girl dancer, Girl with best figure, Boy with best figure, Popular Westport comedian (boy or girl), Popular Westport comedian (boy girl), Most typical Westport girl, Most typical Westport boy. Girl most likely to succeed, Boy most likely to succeed, Best actor, Best actress, Best known "stags" (boy and girl). Each senior will print his name on

the opposite side of the ballot exactly as he wishes it to appear in the Herald. Seniors also will list all of the activities in which they have participated and the offices they have held.

## Foreign Languages Neglected in School Program

Just what purpose do languages serve in the school program? What is the object of teaching foreign languages to high school students? Is it to prepare them for college entrance? Is it to prepare them for the world in which they will have to live after graduation? Or are they just added subjects to be labored over and then forgotten? Two foreign languages now are being taught, Latin and Spanish. Of course, we all realize the importance of Latin as a base for other languages. This leaves Spanish the only modern language in the present curriculum. After the war there will be many opportunities for present-day students to make use of their knowledge of Spanish, but what about the need for German, Russian, French, Greek, even Japanese linguists? Instead of reducing our language department, the war should serve to open our eyes to the possiblities that such studies offer. Why isn't something being done about this today, when the problem is more important than ever before?

#### 5 Rules Proposed for Cafeteria Patrons

Several problems concerning our school cafeteria should be brought to the attention of the students.

The first problem is insufficent help in the cafeteria. The work of each employee of the cafeteria management is doubled and sometimes tripled.

Now, what is being asked of the students is to place their dishes at the end of the table when through eating and deposit all waste paper in the baskets provided for waste instead of leaving it on the table.

The second problem concerns cleanliness in the cafeteria. A self respecting pupil certainly would not comb his hair at the dining room table in his home, nor would he throw refuse under the table. Then why should they do this very thing in our cafeteria?

Here are a few suggested rules to be followed in the cafeteria. 1. Do not buy more than can be eaten.

2. Do not waste food.

3. Stack dishes at the end of the table when lunch is finshed.

4. Throw waste in containers provided.

5. Always confine hair-combing to rest rooms and dressing rooms.

#### SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Jane Riche carrying her own books.

Lizze Davis eating wedding cake.

Studes actually studying in study hall. (Must be the new term.)

Sherry Shyley wearing a ring around her neck.

Boys wearing C. A. P. C. uniforms to school.

Norma Kindsvater trying to act dignified.

Charles Harris, a freshman, lost a pet possum which later turned up in the vicnity of Paseo high. The poor creature was scared half to death. Being a Westporter's mascot, he had been accustomed to the quiet, scholarly life that Westporters lead.

#### Latin Club Elects Officers At Organization Meeting

The new officers of the Latin club are Anita Boresow, president; Charles Mullis, vice president; Annamarie Hersberg, secretary; Wallace Ostlund, sergeant-at-arms. Committees were appointed to select a name, a motto, and a constitution for the club, and plans are being made for the initiation of new members. The charter members:

Alice Jeanne Bailey, Sophia Barash, Mary Lee Biggie, Anita Boresow, Betty Crandall, Jo Ann Crandall, Robert Firestone, Edward Gillet, Harriet Henalman, Annamarie Hersberg, Bettye Hooker, Marilyn Johnson, Charles Mullis, Harry Mueller, Louise Nelson, Wallace Ostlund, Phyllis Roberts, Robert Showalter, Grace Spong, Ann Thornberry, and Beverly Wheeler.

Hereafter the meetings will follow the schedule of the departmental clubs. Persons still wishing to join this group may attend the next meeting.

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#### Air Corps Major Back With Many Medals and Citations

Major George A. Rush, a student here in 1934-35, one of the youngest majors in the Army Air Corps, is on leave for the first time in two years and seven months. He has a long list of medals and citations, and three enemy planes to his credit.

He was in the first flight group sent to England and in the first flight group to fly from England to Africa. The one hundred pilots in his group are credited with the destruction of more than 1,000 Axis trucks and other vehicles.

He has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with ten oak leaf clusters, American Theater of War ribbon, European-African Theater ribbon. He has participated in four campaigns, the European, African, Sicilian, and Italian.

His sister, Martha, is a senior this year and his mother is secretary of the Westport P.-T.A.

#### K. C. Wellesley Club Offers Senior Girl a \$500 Scholarship

The Kansas City Wellesley club offers to a qualified senior in Westport, who cannot otherwise meet the cost of a year at Wellesley College, a scholarship of \$500 for the year 1944-45. The candidate must have good intellectual ability, initiative, and a real desire to do work in a liberal arts college.

Applications must be made in writing to the chairman of the Wellesley Scholarship Committee, Miss Nancy C. Uebelmesser, 4201 Holmes, not later than February 12.

Information may be had by phoning Miss Uebelmesser at Logan 8020.

## It Sez Here

There's a lot of gossip around school these days you just can't believe but this is one column that is RELIABLE.

Have you heard about the system George "president" Reasor and Lamar Hazen have developed? They take turns at going with Bette Bright. Nice, only there's always an odd man. Speaking of George, our roving reporter asserts that in English class the other day he proposed to Virginia Church and she accepted. What am de world comin' to?

Some folks are getting mighty formal these days. Helen Root, Jane Bucher, Pat Kelly, and Betty Hazen just have to call a certain group of girls "miss." Because of uncertainty of travel on busses, Margaret Ekholm now goes on the street car.

Don Butler is "very favorable towards" the idea of the gals wearing the fellows' sweaters, so much so that he let Marguerite Sherman, Edla Carlson, and Phyllis Ahl wear that treasured argyle of his.

Remember little Bob Culver? He's awfully lonesome and would love to hear from everyone. His address is 1934 Sargent, St. Paul, Minn. Then there are some mighty cute little freshmen this year, namely Tom Burdett (Jim's little brother), Jack Sevier, and Homer "Sinatra" Ferguson.

Virginia Wright, Barbara Butler, and Sherry Holland have organized a new club, the "Bobby-sock Booster's club of W. H. S." All you abused Westport males can take heart, Portia Redpath and Beverly McElvain from Southwest think you're pretty swell.

Dean Melton and Bob Zucco seem to spend most of their time getting crew cuts since it's been warm enough that there isn't any danger of catching cold. By the way, how do you like the weather? We think it's okay, only Joe Fichter seems to think it's pretty cool around school these days . . . He's been polishing the apple an awfully lot here lately. Couldn't be he'd like to get "Best Personality" on the senior ballot?

This week's gruesome-twosomes, are Gene Bartleston and Cherie Shipley, and Keith Chader and Helen Dodds. How those kids do get around! (Be quiet, O'Dwyer, I'll mention you as soon as Harriet Morris starts coming to Westport.) Contrary to rumors, Orrell Moorman and Bonnie Wilhelm are going steady.

ADVERTISEMENT . . . Suggestions for this column would be greatly appreciated. Just drop them in room 4 or give them to a reporter. (There will be a fee of 25c.)

Barbara Owen is going around singing "Nobody Loves Me" . . . Dolores Bales is back at Westport and can be seen at most any time with Guy Moore.

Well, happy people, that's all for this time.

#### After 50 Missions, Pilot Wants Another Go at Enemy

"-I'd like to get one more chance at combat flying," said Lieut. J. Fred Harlan, '37, who has returned to the United States after fifty missions as the pilot of a B-25 Mitchell bomber. Lieutenant Harlan has received the Air Medal, seven clusters and stars indicating participation in three campaigns, North Africa, Sicily, and Italy.

During the North African campaign he took part in the bombing of Sicily, Italy, Rumania, and Greece. He was not wounded althogh after one mission his ship had eighty holes in it.

One thing disappointed the lieutenant, the fact that he did not eat Italian spaghetti, which is not available for the soldiers in Italy.

Lieutenant Harlan, who is twentythree, went to Junior College before he joined the Air Corps in January, 1942. He is spending his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Harlan, 1512 Elmwood avenue.

#### RED CROSS BRINGS TOUCH OF HOME TO ARMY CAMPS

The furnishings of a recreation room at Park College where Navy trainees are prepared for the government technical schools have been provided by the Kansas City Chapter of the Red Cross.

The boys at this base are from 17 to 23, many just out of high school. They have asked for ping pong balls to replace the old ones, more reading lamps, chairs, black hassocks instead of the easily soiled white hassocks, decks of cards, poker chips (for strictly non-money games), game tables, and subscriptions to "The Saturday Evening Post" and new "Esquire."

Money contributed in the coming Red Cross drive will help send these and other little things to make the camps more homelike.

On the Firing Line

Discipline is more of a habit than a problem thus far this year.

A few cadets are about to commit "hari-kari" if students don't stop manhandling their whistles with the question, "Does it blow?"

The ROTC held a forced march last Monday but the cadets don't find the Art Institute interesting so early in the morning.

The drill is beginning to show that it wasn't just the uniform that lured the cadets into ROTC.

There is a lot of competitive spirit. In fact, don't think it queer to see two company commanders "bashing" each others heads in.

Cadet Col. Robert Poynter of Southwest, is the new regimental commander of the Kansas City R. O. T. C. Cadet Lt. Col. Anthony Lo Chaino of Northeast, is the adjutant.

Some of the officers are beginning to receive the title "Simon Legree" but of course, discipline couldn't have anything to do with it.

A Westport ROTC "Mothers and Sons Banquet" will be sponsored by the Mothers Auxiliary Friday night at 6:30 o'clock. Entertainment will be furnished by the cadets and a guest speaker.

#### PTA HAS VITAL ROLE IN HIGH SCHOOL, DR. HUNT DECLARES

"Home and School Relations" was the topic of Dr. Hunt's address at the P.-T. A. meeting January 25.

"High school is the 'no man's land' of P.-T. A." the superintendent asserted. Boys and girls of high school age are not eager for their parents to take part in school activities. This feeling, he said, is due to false pride and should be overcome.

High school is tuned to meet the needs of the children it serves, he pointed out, and the complete cooperation and unifying of all forces between school and home is necessary in building mutual understanding.

Miss Hatch spoke briefly but convincingly upon "We the Teachers," giving an insight into some of the vital things the teachers aim to accomplish.

The Jules Guerin Art club has reelected Richard White president; Alice Whipple, vice president; Eileen Wright, secretary; Nadine Harrison, treasurer.

# The Superintendent New Senior President Says-

To My High School Friends:

In these semi-monthly visits which I greatly enjoy reference has been made from time to time to the responsibility and obligation high school membership entails. I have suggested that you cannot escape from the fact, even were you of a desire to do so. that you are a high school student. Whatever you do, therefore, reflects upon your high school. Paseo High School has given recognition to this in its motto, "Remember Who You Are." Something of its significance was expressed the other day in a letter from a Paseo alumnus of the class of '41. From far off China comes this thought, "'Remember Who You Are' certainly applies over here. These people expect Americans to be somewhat god-like, and the impression must not be broken. You must remember at all times that you represent America and the best that is in the world . . . (the) motto is an exceedingly apt one for those of us in foreign lands."

Remembering who you are should impel courtesy, thoughtfulness and consideration. Of the former attribute it has been truly said, "I am a little thing with a big meaning. I help everybody. I unlock doors, open hearts, do away with prejudices. I create friendship and good will. I inspire respect and admiration. I violate no law. I cost nothing. Many have praised me, more have condemned me. I am pleasing to everyone. I am useful every moment of the day. I am courtesy." Courtesy stems from thoughtfulness and results in consideration. The charge is frequently directed to high school students that they are not courteous. Is such an accusation valid or is it just that you don't take the time to be thoughtful? What do you think?

Out of the war are coming many unsolicited expressions as to the value of education. From a former Switzer School pupil now stationed in the Southwest Pacific this comment has been received:

"The main reason for my writing this letter is to convince other kids who are about my age when I was in school back in 1939 to continue with their education. I quit school when I was fourteen years old and from that very day I've been sorrier than ever that I didn't go on when I had the chance. I have found out that in nine cases out of ten a high school diploma is required. Now I'm in the navy and am doing pretty well but I could have done a lot better if I had my



#### ED DAVIS

A surplus of activity points has caused the recent resignations of two senior class officers, Bob Ferber, former president, resigned in order to accept the post of battalion major; Betty Taff, former secretary, then was advanced to the vice presidency but she also resigned in favor of the presidency of Pundit. As a result of these two withdrawals Ed Davis has become senior president; Jackie Dunlap vice president; Gail Goodrich, secretary; Charles Ferm, treasurer, and Stuart Talcroft, sergeant-at-arms. Members of the business committee are Dick Fristoe, Josephine Miller, Edla Carlson, and Charles Averill.

Pvt. Ernest Oppenheimer, '42, returned to Kansas City last week from the University of Chicago where he is studying Chinese. Oppenheimer is a master of languages, being able to speak, read, and write English, German, and Dutch. He expects to be sent overseas in about six months, probably to put into working use his knowledge of Chinese. The thing Pvt. Oppenheimer is most proud of is that he is now a citizen of the United States.

education. When I was in boot camp and we took our General Classification Test I naturally flunked so I was given sea duty. I was pretty fortunate and was put in cooking where I worked hard and made good. I hope that this letter does some good to a smart aleck like me who just didn't care and is now sorry."

In its frankness and simplicity it is an eloquent and convincing appeal. Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of

Schools.

#### Seven Homerooms Reach War Stamp Quota

Seven homerooms have reported that they reached their quota for the purchase of War Stamps for last semester. They are 208, 309, 120, 7, 220, 119, 215, and 213. Homerooms 1, 215, 313. 315, 204, 209, 216, 120, 208, 309, 120, 119, 7, and 220 reported that they had a record of 100 per cent participation in the purchase of War Stamps consistently.

Westport came within \$100 of reaching her goal for last semester. The quota per person for the coming semester will be raised from \$12 per person to \$13. To compute the goal for each room, multiply the number of pupils enrolled in the room by \$13. To learn the percentage of the goal gained, divide the amount of stamps and bonds collected by the goal for the semester. January 26 started the first week of the new semester. All money taken in since that date should be included in the total. Money collected last semester does not count in this semester's quota.

Jane Balfour was elected the president of the War Stamp council at the last meeting. Other officers were Anna Nafe, vice president; Myra Clemmons, secretary; Phyllis Ahl, treasurer; and Marilyn Haggard, sergeant-at-arms.

Monitor Staff Organized

The monitor staff for this semester has been organized as follows:

Roy Allen, Phyllis Baird, Barbara Bane, Nancy Barnes, Martha Bauder, Allan Bennett, Gwendolyn Boerner, Betty Bopp, Eleanor Boyer, Peggy Brandenberg, Garnet Briant, Miska Buffington, Sonya Buffington, Stanley Bushman.

Buffington, Sonya Burtington, Bushman. Jocelyn Carter, Dick Chapman, Mar-ian Clement, Myra Clemmons, Dorothy Collins, Joann Davidson, Grace Davis, Norma Dehmer, Maxine Dickson, Bev-erly Eaton, Ruthelene Eaton, Beverly Engelhardt, Morton Galitzky, Char-maine Gile.

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Florence Hagstrom, Lee Gene Hard-saw, Betty Hazen, Bernadine Heinrich, Louella House, Dorothy Hubbard, An-nabel Hurley, Betty Jane Hutcheson. Jack Jester, Billie Jean Jones, Mary Helen Kelley, Doris Kimble, George Landes, Bob Lippincott.
Mary Jane McCord, Catherine McKim, Dean Melton, Bob Miller, Jo Miller, Marvin Miller, Duke Montgomery, Anne Nafe, Jo Ann Neff, Louise Nelson, Mary Alice Nelson, Phyllis Newman, Regina Nichols, Marian Norman, Bob O'Brien, Bob O'Neill, Mary Parry, Bonnie Perry. Lois Pendleton, Betty Pierce, Betty Lou Rea, George Reasor, Erma Jean Rehkop, Jane Riche, Joicie Rule, Mar-tha Rush, Elizabeth Schalue, Marilyn Seinost, Robert Showalter, Mary Fran-ces Smart, Florence Smart, Bob Spen-cer, Helen Spencer, Rose Marie Sproull, Lois Stilwell, Bob Stuckert, Russell Sublette, Florene Swarner, Shirley Swanson, Dorothy Terry, Bill Usher, Elizabeth Viscofsky.
Margaret Wager, Margaret Walrod, Marjorie Walthall, Patricia Walz, Bob Webb, Martha Weber, Alice Wehrle, Jeanne Wiedenmann, Elaine Worcester, Bob Zucco,

Jane Bucher is the proud owner of two action photos which show her ice skating ability.

## Under the Clock

The most astonished person of the week was Don Wilkinson when Bob Webb asked for a 10-cent war stamp and presented a crisp, new 100-dollar bill.

When 95-pound Helen Shepherd replaced 195-pound Bill Moffat as bass drummer in the band it was the first time in weeks that band members dared enter the auditorium without cotton in their ears.

Donald Sanders, when asked to repeat the slogan concerning the old Oregon Territory in 1846, promptly replied, "All or Nothing at All," instead of the preferred, "54-40 or fight."

Scene: Aeronautics class working on weather maps.

First student: What's the capital of Louisiana?

Second student: I don't know. Have you found Tennessee yet? I can't.

According to members of his speech class, Jack Miller has possibilities as a comedian, or does he always carry an extra pair of pants?

Thank goodness, the members of the Spanish club are more skillful in Spanish than they are in art.

Mr. Bourrette, 5 feet-4, has a brother. That is not strange but his brother is 6 feet-2 and weighs 217 pounds.

Walter Sloman can't seem to understand that loud socks just aren't the thing at ROTC inspection.

The only reason Dick Hunt doesn't want to do the exercises in gym, so he says, is because he doesn't want to show up the rest of the fellows.

Phyllis Ahl has a new nickname. She calls herself "homerly." some people got mixed up and said "homely" instead.

Just call Brooks Spencer "Logical" from now on. He and physics get along well.

What is the world coming to when several Westport boys tarry on a corner debating what to wear to school the next day and insisting on wearing each other's clothes? Sounds like a bunch of women.

Whenever Guy May comes into Mr. Van Horne's seventh hour class, Mr. Van Horne says, "How do you like my girls?" And Guy replies, "Fine," or some similar adjective. Juanita Coy is simply swoony after seeing the picture of Valentino. Quote, "He doesn't need talkies to impress you."

When it was mentioned the other day in Latin class that Stu Talcroft is studying to be a doctor the future sawbones generously offered to amputate Dean Melton's head.

Josephine Kennedy was so hungry at lunch the other day that she ate part of a make-up sponge.

Norma Hall, who comes from Loretto Academy, says she likes Westport but just can't get used to the boys in all her classes.

Norma Dean Kelly has a perplexing habit of wearing her shoe laces tied at the bottom instead of at the top. What these freshmen won't do.

Shirley Swanson has no trouble remembering her locker or telephone number as both are Westport 3561.

Nancy Barnes has the best-tasting cough drops. We'd all like to know where she gets them.

These J. C. boys are getting to be quite the Casanovas. We know of one boy who walked one Westport girl home from school and then dashed back in time to walk another one home.

Bill Barnes never knows just how many cousins he has strewn about. Just look at the new one that has turned up. She's pretty cute, too.

Miss Gales' fifth hour speech class has named her fish lapel pin "Sonya." Her cowboy, Russian, and Indian lapel ornaments still await christening.

The ROTC has made Richard Beitling a military minded youth. One Sunday morning when he was leading a group of young people in a religious service, he commanded a speaker to sit down with the order "At ease."

Embarrassing moment at the student council election was when Frances Brown was discovered with two ballots. P. S. She only turned in one.

"None but perfect copies" seems to be Elizabeth Davis's motto for typing.

Lois Stilwell was quite the one not long ago when she wore pigtails with large white flowers dangling from them, and dark glasses!

#### DEMONSTRATIVE TALKS BRING HILARIOUS RESPONSE

Hilarity reigned when demonstrative speeches were given in the public speaking classes last week. The aroma of Southern coffee drifted from room 5 as a result of Doug Humphrey's speech. Complete with a pair of cardboard glasses to lend atmosphere, Sheryl Holland discoursed on the fine art of knitting a sweater. Carl Ericson gave the fifth hour a demonstration of the poor man's Kentucky derby, the Jerky derby, all done with chemicals.

The students agreed that Ed Davis is no less than an expert on astronomy, and Joy Standstedt's domestic tendencies rose to the top when she lectured on sewing. Robert Jones suffered under the hands of Eddie Stewart when he acted as Eddie's victim for a demonstration of first aid. Jack Brown exhibited metal shop projects.

Jack Miller and Don Ogilvie showed real artistry when they demonstrated life in a valet shop, and showed how to iron shirts and press trousers. Tips to tennis players were given to the fifth hour by Edla Carlson. Doc Talcroft gave a realistic demonstration of minor surgery and operated on a muslin dummy of an arm. The class was fascinated by Al De Shong's explanation of the method of preparing Roman candles.

Puzzled expressions on so many faces indicate that some students doubt why they have been unable to buy lunch tokens before school.

Since when has Charles Averill been able to tell other tall boys not to pick on the small girls?

Red seems to be the favorite color of many Westport students, especially Mary Frances Smart and Mary Jane McCord.

George Nitchy is deeply interested in the outcome of the Westport-Northeast game.

Just because Mary Alice Nelson wears her initials on her clothes, people think she's a wolfess.

Has Mary Helen Kelley been studying too hard, or does she enjoy sleeping in third hour?

Why can't all twins be as easy to tell apart as Julia and Jeanne Wilkinson?

Gloria Calkins has a bright and sunny dispositon. She even is happy on Mondays!

# Among our Servicemen

Richard Dole, '45, U. S. Navy, visited school while home on leave from training station at Farragut, Idaho.

Bill Summers, 45, is in naval training at Farragut, Idaho.

Pvt. Donald D. McLaughlin, '39-'41, Kearns, Utah, 394041.

Pvt. Frederick I. Brunker, St. Joseph, Mo., 38-39-40.

Bill Evans, '42, is a pharmacists mate second class in the Navy, stationed in the New Hebrides.

- Lt. Claude E. Hickey, '37, pilot of a Flying Fortress, has been reported missing in action over Germany.

Cpl. Jimmy Meeks, '37, recently was home on furlough from Fort Dix, N. J. Ralph Hirschmann, '37, Army Air Corps, also has been home on leave.

C. Gene Bartlow, '39, is an aviation cadet in the Army Air Corps.

Herman E. Trieb, '38, has been selected for training in the Navy College program.

Lowell Hunter, '29, sergeant in the Marines, was at Corregidor when it surrendered and has been in a Japanese prison camp since.

Frank Mallin, '40, is now an ensign in the Navy Air Corps.

Sgt. Robert Boyle, a student here in 1941, now Marine Air Corps mechanic, has three stars. In his two years of service, he has been in the battles of Guadalcanal, Munda, and the Russells, where he was a part of the first air wing. He has received a presidential citation.

Phillip Hicks left for Jefferson Barracks, January 21.

Fletcher Wells, '42, formerly in the Merchant Marine, received a medical discharge after his ship was torpedoed, and now is in the Army Signal Corps.

Sgt. Willis A. Daily, Jr., '36, is scheduled to receive the Legion of Merit award for outstanding conduct and performance in North Africa. He is attached to the quartermaster depot.

Lt. Claude L. Hickey, '37, was reported missing in action over Germany since January 11. He was a Flying Fortress pilot. Before entering the service he was employed at TWA.

Marksmanship ribbons have been awarded to Captains Lester Brackenbury and Richard Fristoe, and to Corp. Charles Hersberg for firing a score of 160 or more.

## Student Council Officers



Top row, left to right, Tom Doty, George Reasor. Lower row, left to right, Jean La Turin, Gail Goodrich, Jimmy Littrell,

#### ARTISTIC METAL ASH TRAYS MADE BY SPECIAL PROCESS

Mr. Wheeler has designed a series of new ash trays produced by the use of forming chucks and the process of hammering down. The materials are not expensive but the trays show artistic workmanship.

The metal shop has received a series of new charts showing precision measuring equipment, decimal equivalents and taps and drill sizes.

One of the jobs of the shop has been repair work and making equipment for other schools and departments. A number of jack-planes have been welded for elementary schools.

A sheet metal scale of a basketball court has been made for Mr. Chubb to illustrate certain plays to his pupils. Magnetic men are placed on the chart and in this way it can be placed in any position to show the boys' places and plays in the game.

#### Jane Balfour Heads Alpha Lyra

Officers for the new term were recently elected by the members of Alpha Lyra. The new president is Jane Balfour with Paula Ruth Julius as vice-president. Jeannie Whitney is secretary and Phyllis Ahl is treasurer. The musical part of the program consisted entirely of piano numbers. Jerome Mandl played "La Valse" and "Chopsticks" both original numbers, Mary Lou Hindman played "Valse Brillante" by Manna Zucca, followed by Eddie McLeroy playing "Flowers in the Wind" by Debussy.

PFC Jimmie Frank, '41, was a visitor last Friday. He is enrolled in the Army Specialized Training Program at the University of Illinois.

## Council Delegates

The following have been chosen as new members of the student council from the different rooms. The homeroom number is given first, followed by the name of the representative and the alternate:

- 1 Bob Mathews, James Boyd 2 Dick Fristoe, Bob Sturgeon J.C. Robert Hosmar, Bill Banaka AUD. Francis Nekuda, Mary Lou Hindman 3 Richard Stewart, Clarence Spillers

- 9 Richard Stewart, Clarence Spillers
  106 Howard Grolme, Billy Gallimore
  107 Marianne Jones, Cecile Delozler
  110 Annabel Hurley, Rex Strunk
  114 Mary Lou McFarland, James McClelland
  115 Jim Mullis, Bruce Spoil
  116 Charles Frizzell, Gloria Sackman
  117 Bette Bright, Charles Ferm
  118 Mary Ryder, Harriet Huncilman
  119 Grace Davis, Mary Parry
  120 Tom Doty, Marjorie Colbert
  201 Phyllis Ahl, Marion Pugh
  204 Jimmie Littrell, Walter Preston
  206 Marjorie Miller, Kitty Lawrena
  207 Jeanne Allen, Fred Freeman
  208 Bob Weigand, Edward Gillette
  209 Lauretta Comi, Bill Harte
  211 Bertha Boresow, Marjorie Stauffer
  212 Catherine McKim, Josephine Kennedy, Richard Harrison, Avis Shafer
  213 Jean LaTurin, Jacqueline Kanally, Betty
- Richard Harrison, Avis Shafer 213 Jean LaTurin, Jacqueline Kanally, Betty Minier, Constance Barry 215 George Reasr, Jane Bucher 216 Bryan Riggs, Shirley Hammond 218 Jack Vinson, Jack Ganzer 219 George Dalton, Barbara Stacy 220 Frances Brown, Charles Carter 223 Marilyn McHenry, Edla Carlson 303 Gerald Walker, Betty Mendlich 305 Gail Goodrich, Leon Levine 307 Anita Boresow, Barbara Young 309 Bob Kay, Mervin Miller 310 Patrica White, Teddy Gerwitz 312 Emma Schuler, Nancy Barnes, Jane Riche, Bonnie Wilhelm

- Riche, Bonnie Wilhelm 313 Donna Ashlock, Marine Harris 314 Addie Jacob, Barbara Harrington, Lou
- Ann Unruth 315 Delores Hunter, Dorothy Stimpff 316 Shirley Alton, Bonnie Keen 318 Marion Clement, Kay Morgan

A birthday ball was held during Miss Eggleston's fourth hour last Wednesday. After finding out that Jane Riche, Annamaria Hersberg, and Anita Boresow all had birthdays between January 28 and February 3, Latin was set aside and the class sang "Happy Birthday" to each girl.

# New Honor Roll

One hundred sixty-seven pupils are named as follows in the first semester honor roll:

Donna Ashlock Alice Bailey James Baker Bill Banaka Ruth Barmon Nancy Barnes Mary Lu Biggio Bettie Bedford Sarah Benson Joned Billings Betty Bopp Anita Boresow Bertha Boresow Glenna Branstetter Lenora Branstetter Margo Brazier Gene Brewer Frances Brown Jane Bucher Helen Bullock Newton Campbell Bill Carter Edla Carlson Harry Clements Delbert Clevenger Lauretta Comi Margaret Cook Ethelmae Craig Edward B. Davis Elizabeth Davis Grace Davis Norma Dehmer Cecile De Lozier Ernest Dome Ruthelene Eaton Alice Ekstrom Jeanne Endres Beverly Engelhardt Shirley Engelhardt Carl Erickson Charles Ferm Maurine Filson Robert Firestone Carolyn Filzgerald Doris Frank Dick Fristoe Dick Fristoe Morton Galitzky Wilbur Garrett Charmaine Gile Edward Gillett Gail Goodrich Donna Griffith Marilyn Haggard Sammy Hall Arthur Hanson Barbara Harrington William Harte Jack Hedger Frances Heenan Fred Heim Annamaria Hers-berg Charles Hersberg Charles Hersberg Mary Lou Hindman David Hochberg Sheryl Holland Evelyn Honecutt James Howard Dorothy Hubbard Jerry Huckstep Delores Hunter Annabel Hurley John Irwin Annabel Hurley John Irwin Gary Johnson Dorothy Johnston Lucretia Johnston Robert C. Jones Margaret Jordan Harlan Kilmer Harvey Kimble Norme, Kinderster

George Landes Robert Landes Deborah Lang Jean LaTurin Alice Lanchlan Kitty Lawrence Hermine Levikow Jack Long Jeanette Luhnow Nancy Lundberg Robert MacIntyre Marcel Matson Ruth Matson Edwin McClure Dan McDermott Wanda McDonald Annette McEwen Dean Melton Alice Miller Bob Miller Josephine B. Miller Betty Minier Earl Moon Dan Moore Bernard Morgan Charles Mullis Joyce Murrell Frances Nekuda Lucile Nekuda Louise Nelson Robert Newman Lois Jean Nodell Virgna North Virginia Palmer Mary E, Parry Lois Pendleton Bill Perry Martha Porter Walter Preston Marian Pugh George Reasor George Reasor Bryan Riggs Phyllis Roberts Dolores Roller Richard Ross Joicie Rule Mary Ryder Frank Schroeder Frank Schroeder Frank Schroeder Emma Schuler Maydelle Seeling R. E. Shannon Helen Shepard John Shipe Robert Showalter June Smith Grace Spong Grace Spong Barbara Stacy Merres Starbuck Bruno Stein Dorothy Stumpff Dorothy Stumpt Margaret Stout Jean Suffill Betty Taff Stuart Talcroft Beverly Thomas Wanda Tinkle-nauch Wanda Tinkle-paugh Phyllis Turley Mildred Ulmer Harry Van Trees Mary Loulse Vess Jack Vinson Stewart Wagner Barbara Waltner Barbara Waltner Ann Watson Bobble Weigand Shirley Werner Beverly Ann Wheeler Jeannie Whitney Joan Williams Bob Zueco

Officers of Mr. Means' sixth hour class are George Dalton, president; Mary Hubbard, vice president; Harriet Huncilman, recording secretary; Pat McDonald, attendance secretary; Janie Hutcheson, treasurer; Brandon Gilmore, sergeant-at-arms; and Laura Love, hostess.

Norma Kindsvater Doris Klein Richard Kniseley Ralph Kron

## Up and Down The Corridors

Phyllis Dana, '40, is listed among the students of Syracuse University who have received "Semester Honors."

Mark Miller, a senior, is back in school. He has been doing interne work for the Red Cross and has decided he wants to be a doctor.

Vivian Weeks, a freshman, broke a bone and tore some ligaments in her leg when she jumped off a stone wall at Van Horn grade school Thursday, January 27.

Miss Burke, the school nurse, and Mrs. Elliot, P.-T. A. health chairman, were delighted with the response from the members and friends at the opening session of the home nursing class January 26. More than twenty came for instruction. The class will be conducted over a period of twelve weeks.

The Victory Art workshop is producing quite a menagerie of clay animals. So far, Betty Bopp has contributed a hippopotamus, Richard Hunt, an elephant, Maxine Taylor, a dachshund named "Luidveig," Tobie Brown, a cat, Niles Dixon, a cow, and Ann Nafe, also, a cow.

The next P.-T. A. meeting will be held in the school auditorium Tuesday, February 29 at 2:30 o'clock. The annual Founders Day program will be presented under the direction of Mrs. George Nodell. The Founders Day tea will follow.

Sewing 2 girls have just completed samples of home darning and hem patches. They will now devote most of their time to making garments for themselves.

Bob Matthews was elected vicepresident of the Irving Club society instead of Charles Ferm, as was stated in the last Cricr. Charles Ferm was appointed parliamentarian.

Tom Doty has been elected president of Hi-Y, succeeding Dick Fristoe who resigned. Joe Saunders is vice president; Bob O'Dwyer, secretary; Guy May, treasurer; Marion Hammond, sergeant-at-arms; Lester Brackenbury, chaplain.

Miss Cannon is getting to be quite famous these days. It seems that she has been receiving calls from other civics teachers, and the supervisor of social studies in Tulsa said some very nice things about her work. Mr. Myers, a technican from the police laboratory delivered a lecture on gun ballistics at the meeting of the Irving club last Friday afternoon. He is the father of Bill Myers, '43, a former Irving.

Shorthand awards for January have been won by Beverly Bailey, 60; Julia Wilkinson, Jeanne Wilkinson, 80; Delores Roller, Joyce Murrell, Kathryn Martin, Norma Kindsvater, Doris Heerwald, Mickey Freed, 100.

Mildred Murphy and Elaine Speiser, homeroom 208, spent the week end in Chillicothe, the guests of Helen Brainard, who recently has visited classes at Westport as Mildred Murphy's guest.

Mary Lou Hall, a freshman, suffered a lacerated wrist when attacked recently by a roving pack of vicious dogs.

Miss Brubaker's civics classes are taking a lively interest in quiz programs which they have organized in connection with their study of our national government.

Norman Sands now is attending Manual.

Pat Beck, a junior, has transferred to Southwest.

Portia Repath and Beverly McElvy, juniors, have come here from Southwest.

Minaruth McWhirter, Pat Bailey and Dick Eckaus, all '43, visited school recently while on vacation from Washington University.

Dell Dorflinger, '43, is just back from California.

The War Information Group will meet today at 4 o'clock in room 212. Miss Hatch, who recently visited the induction and reception centers at Ft. Leavenworth, will describe her trip. Officers will be elected after her talk.

Alfred Zebel was elected president of Miss Gales' fifth hour speech class February 3. Other officers are Jeannine Allen, secretary; Lois Thorne, treasurer; Richard Scheidler, host; Shirley Clark, hostess; Annamarie Hersberg, sergeant-at-arms; and Chris Ulmer, parliamentarian. Page Eight

#### THE WESTPORT CRIER

## Mitchell Stirs Rooters in Argentine Game

The Westport Tigers extended their winning streak to 4 in a row by defeating the Argentine Mustangs 33-28 on the losers' cours. This nonleague tilt featured rangy Bob O'Brien and a newcomer, Leroy Mitchell, who scored 3 field goals. The addition of Mitchell in the lineup should greatly increase the Tigers' chances in the league race. Mitchell electrifed the Tiger rooters by sinking a long field goal in the first period to start the Tigers on their way to victory.

Coach Chubb's cagers next league game will be against Northeast, followed by East and then Manual. Although the Tigers will play the three strongest contenders to conclude their schedule, it is to their advantage for they are the most improved team in the circuit.

#### OBSTACLE COURSE TESTS BOYS' SPEED AND ENDURANCE

Hurdles, wall scaling, and pull ups are features of the obstacle course rigged up by Mr. Shepherd for his physical education classes. He is confident that any boy who is able to complete the whole course in 6 minutes or less will be in good condition.

The beginning of the course is the running of 14 laps on the track, followed by the course itself and in conclusion 7 additional running laps.

Following five weeks of the obstacle course, the classes will turn to boxing and wrestling and school champions will be determined. Many of last year's champions are back, including Jimmy Littrel, who was a champion in both sports.

#### Dick Scheidler Gets Credit for School by Sale of \$1,000 War Bond

Richard Scheidler, homeroom 207, secured credit for Westport for a 1000-dollar War bond bought by the Wright Stamping company. James D. McKenzie, Richard's brother-in-law, arranged the transaction.

This homeroom, sponsored by Miss Brubaker, was credited with a total of \$810.65 in stamps and bonds on January 26. The preceding week the total was \$140.90. In these two weeks forty-seven bonds have been bought. The total number of bonds sold since September is fifty-two.

Nine pupils have bought bonds for themselves, through the school. One boy, Fred Freeman, has bought three bonds with money he has earned.

The quota for homeroom 207 in the first semester was \$408; the sales were \$507.70.

Meet the Team

Leroy Mitchell is a one year letterman in basketball and a second team letterman in football. Unable to play the first semester, Leroy will be eligible for the three big games yet to be played, against Northeast, East and Manual.

For his first game this season, Mitchell scored 3 field goals for a 6point total. Uncanny on long shots, his 5 foot-11 frame will give added scoring power to the Tiger offensive. Combined with O'Brien, Carras, and Feagens, these four boys give Westport perhaps the highest powered scoring machine in the city.

A fellow who always is deserving of much credit, yet receives little is the manager. Jim Earp is the boy who handles this position so capably for us this year.

A letterman in football, Earp played center for Coach Bourrette's grid squad. It is common knowledge that a good manager is as important for the progress of a team as the average player.

#### Speech Artists Hold Election

The newly elected officers of Speech Arts club are Joe Fichter, president; Lester Brackenbury, vice president; Tom Doty, secretary; Mary Belle Wright, treasurer.

A one-act play called, "A Syncopated Surge of Dastardly Doings," was presented at the last meeting of the club by six members: Joicie Rule, the heroine; Betty Sprink, the woman of mystery; Evelyn Stout, the heroine's mother; Tom Doty, the vicious villian; Joe Fichter, the "deteckative," and Lester Brackenbury, the hero. The play provided amusement and enjoyment for all the members.

#### TYPING AWARDS

Typing awards have been won by the following:

20, Barbara Bane, Vivan Brumfield, Betty Jean Golding, Norma Jean Kroger, Phyllis Larson, Phyllis Turley, Ted Witt, Gwendolyn Fry, Lewis Bacon, Dale Maxey; 30, Ruby Allen, Donna Ashlock, Helen Becker, Gloria Calkins, Beverly Eaton, Mable Flom, Don Jennings, June Lee Smith, George Reasor, Glenn Todd, Beverly Van Bibber, Marjorie Walthall, Winifred Morgan, Marjorie Wuebbold, Mary Lou Minnerly, Barbara Taff, Maxine Harris, Delbert Clevenger,

Forty, Harold Barah, Wanda Bateman, Charles Compton, Josephine Cox, Joann Davidson, Erma Jean Rehkon, June Smith, Alma Worth, Ruth O'Bester, Ruthelene Eaton; 50, Bertha Boresow, La Rue Johnson, Norma Kindsvater, Hermine Levikow, Wanda Queen, Herty Sprink, Bernice Watson; 60, Betty Thatcher; 70, Peggy Short, Betty Thatcher.

#### GIRL CAGERS WIN TWO GAMES AT PLAYDAY MEET

Westport's feminine basketeers won victories in two of three games at the basket ball playday held Saturday at Manual Vocational high school and made one of the best showings at the annual festivities.

The first game, with Manual, was marked by nervousness on both sides, but the Westporters came out on top 21-11. Unable to overcome Paseo's first period lead, the fighting squad lost, 14-15. After this contest, however, the team hit its stride and thumped Central, 20-10.

The team as a whole functioned smoothly under the coaching of Miss Fairchild and deserved their "hardearned victories."

Martha Sharpsteen, a junior, starred at forward and scored often from the court, aided by Marguerite Sherman, Nora Russell, and Mary Thompson.

Guards Jean Fleck, Betty Rea and Barbara Jeff brilliantly held opposing forwards to low scores.

Southeast's snappy squad was the only one to snare three victories. After the games, lunch was served in the cafeteria.

#### War Stamp Council and WIG's To Give Leap Year Party

Leap Year will be hilariously celebrated at the coming mixer sponsored by the War Stamp Council and the War Information Group which will take place February 29 in the girls' gym.

Fun and dancing and plenty of canned jive will be supplied to all for the nominal fee of 10 cents per ticket.

This mixer will be one of the events of the year, and no hep Westporter is going to let this slip by. War Stamp representatives and W. I. G.'s will sell tickets.

After being disappointed by not being able to take commercial law many students have been enrolled for commercial arithmetic, swelling the number in the class to forty-one. Two other subjects in great demand are psychology and American history. There are forty-six in the psychology class and two new classes in American history have been organized. There is one new class in each of the following: algebra 1, geometry 1, trigonometry 1, physiography 1.

The school record for pushups is held jointly by Rex Strunk and Jimmy Rownd. These boys did 185 pushups in Mr. Shepherd's gym classes. Although a polio victim, in early childhood, Strunk completed the pushups with the added handicap of wearing a brace.

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# **ROTC** Mothers Give **Banquet** for Sons

Cadets in the R.O.T.C. battalion enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the Mothers' Military Auxiliary, hostesses at the mothers and sons banquet Friday evening, February 11.

Seated at two tables extending the full length of the cafeteria, the sons stowed away generous portions of the excellent food provided by the mothers.

Entertainment was furnished by a band, directed by First Lt. Richard Ross, and a quartet consisting of Capt. Lindy Pennington, First. Lt. Robert Skelton, Harlan Kilmer, and Howard Minter, privates first class.

A drill squad, trained by Maj. Robert Ferber and Capt. Lester Brackenbury, performed under the command of Sgt. Edward Jacobson. Members of the squad were First Sgt. George Nitchy, Sgts. Dick Marsh, Robert Bevan, Don Wilkinson, Bill Franke, Gene Lund, Calvin Smith and Newton Campbell, and Corporals Richard Bietling, Gerald Jones, and John Shipe.

The speaker of the evening was O. H. Day, principal of Manual High and Vocational School, who stressed the importance of R.O.T.C. to youth of today. He illustrated this point by mentioning various graduates of the Kansas City schools now in the armed forces, who exemplify the value of the military training they received in their high school battalions. Mr. Day also discussed equality in America, comparing Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, who reached the same peak as leaders of our country, but who were born into completely different environments.

Guests at the banquet were Mrs. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Holloway, Capt. and Mrs. Wallace J. Little, Mrs. Erle J. Longmoor, Mrs. W. E. Hildebrand and members of the faculty.

Dorothy Johnston, Bette Bright, Helen Shepard, Virginia Tribbey and Alice Wehrle assisted in serving in the cafeteria. Capt. Lester Brackenbury was master of ceremonies and Sgt. Richard White attended to the decorations.

The annual tri-city conferene, with Girl Reserves from St. Joseph, Kansas City, Kans., and Kansas City, Mo. participating, will be held at the Y.W.C.A. March 4. This will be an all day conference. Five delegates will be chosen from Westport.

# **Treasury Flag Goal in Sight**

### Herald Cover Design Contest Closes Today

The contest for selection of the cover design of the 1944 Herald closes today. Entries submitted by pupils in the art department will be judged on the basis of artistic merit and adaptability. A copy of the yearbook with the winner's name embossed on the cover will be the prize.

Ultra modern in theme, the annual will be bound in light blue cloth embossed with silver and the opening pages are to be trimmed in the same colors.

Many new departments will be included in the book. Every phase of school life will be pictured in the first section. Volume XXXI of The Crier will comprise the second section, presenting in one handsome volume a chronological record of the school vear.

Awarded Bronze Medal

Charles Hersberg, a junior, winner of third prize in the annual essay contest sponsored by the Kansas City chapter, Sons of the Revolution, was awarded a bronze medal last night at the chapter banquet given in honor of the three prize winners. Essays were submitted by thirty-five Westporters and approximately the same number by pupils in each of the other high schools.

The blue Minute Man Treasury Flag flying below Old Glory on the school flagstaff will signify that Westport has reached the goal of 90 per cent participation of the school in war stamp sales, if and when the record is maintained for four successive weeks. The goal was reached for the first time last Wednesday.

"We are delighted that after all this time we reached 90 per cent," said Miss Gales, war stamp council sponsor. "If we drop below this mark, we no longer will be able to fly this flag, but we hope to be able to have it floating the rest of the year."

Prizes for the winners of the slogan contest will be awarded in an assembly, and it is hoped that the flag will have arrived in time to give it a formal presentation at this assembly.

A war stamp and WIG mixer celebrating Leap Year will be held next Tuesday. Tickets will be sold by home room representatives. This will be one of the big parties of the year, so no one should miss it.

#### CADETS PARTICIPATE IN "MASSING OF THE COLORS"

The Municipal Auditorium last night was the scene of one of the most beautiful pageants ever presented in Kansas City. Entitled, "Massing of the Colors," it was purely a patriotic affair, sponsored by the Kansas City chapter of the Sons of the Revolution. Ralph B. Innes is president of the local chapter.

Attended by more than 100 cadets from Westport and by all other battalions, the ROTC regiment played an important part in the ceremony. The battalion and national colors were both displayed. The Red Cross, Boy Scouts, and all other patriotic organizations were also represented.

Sgt. John H. Metz and other sgt -instructors served as assistants to the "Marshal of the Procession."

In the display case in the front hall are impressionistic designs inspired by music. These represent different musical themes-ghostly, happy, In-dian dance music, the ballet and others. These masterpieces were painted by Robert Staley, Marilyn Tidd, Marilyn Stauffer, Norma Kelly, Beverly Thomas, Flo Anne Rose, Betty A. Reeves, Bonnie Keen, Betty Kimer and Gerald Walker.



April 14 is the date chosen for the Irving-Promethean dance.

## Perhaps You're the Other Fellow

A group of high school students sit at the fountain of a drug store chatting and sipping cokes. Several noisy newcomers enter; the boys blow cigarette smoke in the faces of all the customers, while the girls shriek and proceed to mark the place up with lipstick. The observer passes over the well-behaved students, fastens his disapproving gaze on the rowdy group, and proclaims, "That's Westport!"

A busful of students are returning from a game. Spirits are high because Westport has won again. Most of the crowd, though jubilant, is quiet, and well-behaved. But a few couples, carried away by their good spirits, proceed to scream cheers and songs at the top of their lungs, and perhaps even go so far as to damage public property. Again, the observer, not noticing the majority, but rather the exception, says, "That's Westport!"

A small percentage of the student body, through their actions, is risking Westport's fine reputation. When the public service company complains because of the actions of a few pupils who are disgracing the name of their alma mater when certain drug stores must request high school students to keep out after school, things must be pretty bad.

You say, "I don't do these things. It's the other fellow." Perhaps the other fellow's "other fellow" is you.

# It Sez Here

We're still convalescing from the comic valentines, and reminding ourselves that until February 29 the golden doors of opportunity are wide open. And, to add to the general confusion, everyone is sure he knows who won what in the senior ballots which haven't been counted yet.

We want to be the first to announce that Dorothy Cunningham has named her new wooley puppy Dale Junior. By the way, we'll be expecting to see Dorothy around very soon now, as she is nearly over her six-week siege of pneumonia.

Darlene Copeland has requested that an appeal be made in her behalf to all her friends who think she is ignoring them when she doesn't speak. "Tell them," says Darlene, whose eyes have been bothering her lately, "that if they only will speak first, I shall be honored to return their greetings."

If Russell Borg ever needs references concerning his talents in the art of cooking we feel sure that Jane Riche will provide them.

This week's boresome foursome consists of Melba Nelson and Jack Miller, and Dottie Crabtree and Jack Hoopes, who seem to be sharing top honors among the upper classmen.

"Mares Eat Oats," "No Love No Nothing," and "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," are among the most popular tunes of the day, with "My Heart Tells Me" and "How Sweet You Are" still going strong.

Gail Goodrich has voiced the complaint that too many important offices are being held by juniors this year. "Let the seniors have their last fling," says Gail. "The juniors will have all next year."

Tom Doty is rapidly becoming famous as "The Great Dictator" . . . The manpower shortage doesn't bother Jane Balfour, the only girl who knows anything about physics in her second-hour class. In fact, she is the only girl in that group of intellectuals.

Something new has been added. Elizabeth Viscofsky, who is perfectly normal in all other respects, actually cleans her saddles. Could it have anything to do with shoe rationing, or is it an epidemic?

It isn't funny, but that's what it sez here.

P. S. Because of conditions beyond our control, the fee for contributions to this column has been raised to 30 cents, instead of 25 cents as stated in our last edition. We hope our readers (we do have one or two) will understand that this is only for the duration.

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#### SEARS-ROEBUCK SETS UP BIG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Sears Roebuck and company is offering a scholarship fund of \$2,000 which will be equally divided between two members of the June graduating class.

Candidates are chosen on the basis of financial needs in terms of chosen goal and means of attaining it; mental ability on a series of standard tests; general effectiveness as a student, determined by performance in relationship to abilty; personal qualities as revealed through a written application, personal interview with committee members, and character traits as shown on Permanent Record Card.

Seniors who are interested are invited to see Miss Hatch. Letters of application are to be sent in by March 15. About April 1, the applicants will be interviewed by a committee consisting of J. G. Bryan, A. W. Gilbert, and Miss R. E. Norris. Applicants will be notified of the outcome by April 15.

#### Vice President of Emery Bird's

Miss Ruth Hall '21, a Kansas City attorney, recently was chosen vicepresident and counsel for the Emery, Bird, Thayer Dry Goods Company. A graduate of Vassar, Miss Hall taught two years at Sunset Hill school before returning East to the Yale law school. After graduation she spent two years in the law office of Bowersock, Fizzell, and Rhodes. This was followed by five years in the New York law office of Sullivan and Cromwell, one of the largest in the country. She then returned to Kansas City to the law firm of Warrick Koontz, Hazard, and Shannon.

# The Superintendent Says—

To My High School Friends:

Recently there came to my desk a most interesting little pamphlet. It is entitled "Industrial Science Looks Ahead." A sub-heading, "Glimpses of Better Things to Come," forecasts its fascinating contents. I have read and reread it with awe and wonderment for it predicts a tomorrow in the post-war period of gadget convenience and invention that will make our so-called modern age as antiquated as the 'horse and buggy' days.

A glimpse into this tomorrow with its marvels of science? Promised are such things as:

-Low-priced houses, prefabricated at the factory, delivered to the purchaser in sections, and so designed that they can be erected in a few hours; supplied completely furnished if the home-owner so elects.

-Plumbing fixtures of moulded plastics and resinous plywoods; pipes of plastic or welded metal.

-New building materials of waterproof, fireproof, verminproof lumber and plywood, odorless one-coat paint, unbreakable and scratch-proof plastic surfaces, stainless steels and lightweight alloys.

-Solar heat traps, consisting of large glass panels which will admit the heat of the winter sun and store it in the walls of the house for release after sundown.

-Plastic dishes and utensils of any color or design which will not break, crack, discolor, or absorb; also disposable dishes and utensils.

-Electric heating of the soil to force the growth of special or hothouse crops.

-Use of plant hormones in the growing of crops to produce high quality grains, vegetables and fruits. -Addition of vitamins, minerals

and protein derivatives to foods.

-Fabrics treated to render them proof against moisture, fire, wrinkling, shrinking and moths.

-Shoes of plastic materials.

-Cars crash proof, rust proof and silent; auto bodies made either of light metals or structural plastics, cutting the average car weight approximately in half.

-Fifty miles to the gallon through the use of high octane gasoline.

-World-wide system of airways; no place on the globe to be more than sixty hours distant from any other in flying time.

-Electronic collision - prevention apparatus which will enable planes to operate safely through clouds or fog and at night.

-Greatly improved home radios designed for standard broadcast reception, television, frequency modu-

#### WHITE ELEPHANT SALE NETS \$45.45 IN WAR STAMPS

A white elephant sale held in room 304 during second hour last Tuesday netted \$45.45 in war stamps.

Each girl brought a "white elephant" neatly wrapped. Rita Terry acted as auctioneer and began the sale by holding up a small package that rattled. Betty Bea was the recipient of this package, which contained earrings. The price was \$1.50 worth of war stamps.

Chief participants were Jeanne Wiedemann, Betty Rea, Margie Walthall, Ethelmae Craig, June Smith, Darlene Ochesky, and Miss Fairchild. Jeanne came out with a teeny weeny laundry set, a box of fudge, some dolls for her lapel, and a 5 cent box of caramels. These items totaled \$16.40. Margie Walthall obtained a china white elephant and a glass duck for \$5.25. Ethelmae Craig won quite a collection for \$10.40, including a mirror and a string holder.

Darlene Ochesky bought a hair ribbon for \$2.60 and Miss Fairchild an apple for \$1.50. Margaret Little, through the combined efforts of the class, gained possession of a compact for \$13. Betty Golding began the bidding for every object with one dime stamp. Especially appreciated were the cookies which were provided by Rita Terry.

Altogether, the auction raised a total of \$55.45 and then \$27.75 more was raised, making a total of \$83.20.

Four members of the Student Council attended a meeting of the Westport Community Council at the Allen Branch Library February 10, and presented a plan which they thought would be suitable for a community center. A committee will be appointed to study the needs and the desires of the student body and will report at the next Community Council meeting. The student council delegates were Douglas Humphreys, Margie Stauffer, Edla Carlson and Jay Carnahan.

lation, facsimile and phonograph reproduction-all in one cabinet.

-Television in schools for the presentation of current events illustrated lectures and demonstrations by noted teachers or other authorities.

Interesting, this glimpse into the future, isn't it-and staggering, too.

All of this is a result of education and scientific advancement. It didn't "just happen." Men and women prepared for it, worked on it.

These inventions, discoveries and accomplishments should challenge us all to be worthy of these advances and to do our part in bringing about a better tomorrow.

Faithfully yours

Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools.

## Next Fall's Enrollment Started 3 Weeks Early

Student enrollment for the fall semester has been started three weeks earlier than usual. The chief reason for the early enrollment is a new ruling that all reports must be in the downtown office by April 1 in order to ascertain the approximate number of pupils who will attend the public schools next year, and to determine how many teachers will be needed.

There is a teacher shortage all over the state, and to have well qualified persons to fill all the positions the school board will have to beat the other cities to the draw and issue teachers' contracts as soon as possible.

A new state law, in effect for the first time this year, specifies that unless teachers are notified before April 15 that their services no longer will be required they have a legal right to expect a contract.

For the duration, a minimum of 56 scholarship points will not be necessary for graduation. Sixteen units are required, 3 in English, 3 in social science, electives 6 units; civics must be taken in the freshman year, American history during the junior or senior year; science, two units, no particular courses specified; mathematics, one unit, if general mathematics or algebra is not taken during the freshman or sophomore year. Algebra must be taken during the junior year; physical education, one unit; one of the two years must be taken in the freshman year and, for the duration of the war, the other must be taken during the senior year; electives, six units.

The requirements for J. C., M. U., K. U., or K. C. U. are-15 units, exclusive of gym or ROTC. Eleven of the units must be academic units. Other colleges may have more rigorous requirements. For information, see the counselor.

Sophomores planning to take advanced stenography as seniors are advised to complete all required subjects in their junior year if possible. From now on subjects will be referred to as full credit or half credit instead of solid and non-solid.

Looking forward to post-war relations with Latin America many groups in Kansas City have taken up the study of Spanish and are learning more about our neighbors south of the Rio Grande. With the same purpose in view, the pupils in Miss Shelley's Spanish classes are studying the geography and the social and economic conditions in the Latin American countries. Attention now is centered on Bolivia.

# Sixty Pupils Submit Entries in Art Exhibit

Finalists in the National High School Art Exhibition to be presented in the fine arts galleries, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., by Scholastic Magazine will be selected at the Regional Exhibition for Western Missouri to be held at the Emery, Bird, Thayer store, March 6 to 18.

Students in the art classes, the metal and wood shops and the drafting classes will submit specimens of their skill and craftsmanship.

From Miss Wilhite's and Miss Beck's art classes there will be approximately fifty entries, ranging from figures carved from wood and moulded from clay to pen-and-ink drawings, costume designs and tempera and art paintings.

The metal shop will enter two pairs of modernistic candlestick holders made by Bob Spencer and Bob O'-Dwyer, both third year handicraft pupils; a sterling silver bracelet with an original design by Bob Sturgeon of fourth year handicraft, and a hammered ash tray by S. C. Estes, first year handicraft.

In the woodworking department Richard Sweet of first year handicraft will enter a flower shelf of mahogany and Eugene Fluke of third year handicraft an inlaid picture.

The drafting department will enter an assembly drawing by Karl Jentsch and a working drawing by John Irwin.

In handicraft there will be three prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 each and five honorable mention prizes of \$2.50 each for the finest design, and skillful technique, for handmade costume jewelry, buckles, buttons, compacts, handbag frames or ornaments, or small utility or decorative items, such as boxes, desk sets, accessories for the home—using metals, plastics, wood or any other substitute material.

In mechanical drawing and design there will be three prizes, \$25, \$15 and \$10 respectively, and three complete drawing ink assortments for honorable mention will be given.

Recently elected officers of the Westport Science club are Frank Schroeder, president; James Howard, vice-president; Millicent Sheets, secretary-treasurer. Ed Davis, former president, resigned in order to accept the presidency of the senior class. Miss Junkin was the center of attention at the last meeting, when she performed some interesting chemical experiments.

The assembly reporters for the pep assembly were Barbara Young and Nancy Barnes.

# **Preparing Art Exhibit Entries**



RICHARD WHITE

## School Sends Out 1,035 Transcripts Since Sept.

Since August 1 the school office has sent out 1,035 transcripts to other high schools, Pratt-Whitney, the University of Missouri, the University of Kansas, Montgomery Ward, to men in all branches of the service, St. Luke's hospital, Junior College, and other colleges, Dupont and many other organizations.

Two hundred eighteen transcripts were sent to Pratt-Whitney alone from August 1, 1943, through February 12, 1944.

Westport receives more requests for transcripts than most of the other high schools because this is one of the three oldest schools in Kansas City and its records extend over a period of fifty years. The preparation of each transcript requires about twenty minutes' work and as this is only the first of the semester the office staff is looking forward to many more hours spent in making transcripts.

#### Debaters Argue With Teams From Three Other Schools

Ed Davis and Jack Miller were the negative speakers and Sheryl Holland and Rita Terry presented affirmative arguments in a non-decision debate at Wyandotte high February 11.

Marilyn Haggard, Stuart Talcroft, Marybelle Wright and Eugene Gerber upheld the affirmative in a senate type debate with Manual last Thursday. Rita Terry and Ted Foote took the affirmative in an American style debate, and Tom Skalitzky and Virginia Wright argued for the negative.

Joy Sandstedt, Al DeShong, Leon Levin, and Jack Miller supported the negative case in a senate type debate with Manual on the home front.

Girls in Miss Totten's advanced shorthand class have just taken the Michigan Vocabulary Profile Test, issued by the University of Missouri



NILES DIXON

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS GET ACQUAINTED AT PARTY

The thought of frosty malts, dancing, and games, brought quite a crowd to the student council party last Wednesday. The purpose of the party was to provide opportunity for members of the first semester and second semester council to become better acquainted.

Upon entering, each member was given a slip with his name and home room number on it and an odd shaped piece of paper, which proved to be one-fourth of a hatchet. Later, this hatchet was to be put together by the combined efforts of the three other persons who had matching parts. Festivities opened with a grand march, led by Mr. Shepherd. The group was then honored by a vocal selection by Tom (Sinatra) Doty, who sang "Shoo Shoo Baby." George Reasor rendered "Pistol Packin' Mama." Katherine McKim sang. The party ended with dancing.

A vote of thanks goes to the student council committee, Miss Lilly, and all the others who helped plan the party.

#### Girls a Bit Shy at Leap Year Party

Although some of the girls were a bit shy about exercising their leap year privileges, the guests enjoyed the party given by the P.T.A. for the juniors in the girls' gym on February 8. Several boys from Southwest, who played basketball in the boys' gym that afternoon, came up to the party long enough to eat some ice cream. Various Westport boys ate ice cream also—again and again. The senior party will be March 14. Some surprise features are promised.

An interesting talk on Your Emotions and How to Control Them was given last week by Miss Hatch in the seventh hour home nursing class.

## Under the Clock

Helen Root does her part in the government's conservation program. Instead of discarding stockings when they grow too small, she cuts out the toes and wears the remainder of the sock, commenting "you can't tell the difference."

Jeanne Whitney wishes that desk 56 in the typing room would be fixed. She tore her best skirt on it, and the same thing has happened to others.

Betty Taff only recently found out that she could stutter.

Lois Shelton claims she is getting cross-eyed from following the needle on her sewing machine. Could be.

George Landes is the unfortunate victim of circumstances or else that blank look when he sees Ruth O'Bester approaching has some significance.

Bill Barnes has trouble avoiding stepping on these numerous midgets. He can't see them until he runs over them and it has caused him much embarrassment.

When Martha Rush laughs in the cafeteria it's sure to start a gale of laughter across the whole room.

Why can't some of our geniuses think up some way to use these girls who should be beauty queens, but aren't?

Mark Miller has been seen to write the following signature for his future career: Dr. M. D. Miller, M. D. What are the two M. D.'s for?

Bob Ferber hasn't been given the recognition he deserves, but it was carrying it a little far when he wasn't even introduced at the R.OT.C. banquet.

Our nomination for next year's best-dressed girl is Jean LaTurin. Her clothes are the envy of many of the junior girls.

Hammerhead, a newcomer to Westport, promenades nearly every morning with a certain group of girls. He likes it so well that when the janitor puts him outside he cries!

Mr. Van Horne seems to be confused. The other day he asked, "Is this today or tomorrow?"

Larry Couey from St. Louis got acquainted awfully fast, and now he's wearing a "little pin."

Barbara Young is progressing with her driving, but she continually forgets to turn the ignition on. Marguerite Sherman has a lot of trouble with her men. Just ask her; she'll be glad to tell you.

Tom Doty likes this idea of "getting acquainted" at the student council party. Who are you so interested in getting acquainted with, Doty?

Marian Clement's friends have "figured" out a place for her on the senior ballot.

At this point we'd like to take formal notice of those new, blue Pundit jackets that appeared suddenly last week.

Gloria Sackmann got quite a thrill out of dancing with Mr. King at the junior mixer.

We wonder what Jim Abbott and Jack Summerwell mean when they speak of "talking business."

Westport certainly turned musically inclined when the philharmonic concert come around, or was it that they wanted to get out of the fifth, sixth and seventh hours?

Gladys Morgan can be seen at school almost any day now.

Keith Chader is taking a pretty big risk when he says he'll endure five swats from anyone who sees him dating another girl.

We think Margie Walthall looks well, considering she has been in an accident and is suffering from shock.

A freshman girl when filling out her honor roll card wrote, under the column marked "grade," "Fresh" after each hour.

No doubt you've heard of an I. Q. test. Miss Fairchild has been giving an M. Q., Motor Quotient. If your score is under 100 you don't know enough to come in out of the rain.

Mr. Miner: That test was too easy; most of you were crowded in the top grades. I won't let that happen too often, though, so you needn't worry.

Ted Foote looked 'just darling" with that yellow bow in his hair. Don't forget to "thank the pretty lady" who donated it, Ted.

If you gals are looking for someone who is still foot-loose and fancyfree, concentrate on Lamar Hazen. So far as we know, he is.

Helen Sheperd's perfectly golden locks are the envy of girls for miles around. (Not dyed, either.)

#### SURVEY SHOWS 100 FAMILIES PLAN VICTORY GARDENS

The recent government statement that there would be a sharp decrease in the amount of canned fruits and vegetables available during the coming year has renewed interest in Victory Gardens. The questionnaires that were handed out in the home rooms last week revealed that about 100 Westport families are planning to have Victory Gardens this year. Thirty-four families will plant gardens in their own yards, nineteen families are planning to use nearby vacant lots, and twenty-four families reported that they need ground. Over half of the replies indicated that the would-be gardeners desire literature on gardening. The gardens will vary in size from four square feet to 300 square feet, with an average of about 37 feet by 54 feet. The smallest plot reported is 10 feet long and 5 feet wide.

#### Legion Essays Due March 1

"Pioneer Pattern for the Nation of Tomorrow" is the title of the annual essay contest sponsored by the American Legion. There are three divisions, based on the grade in school, with a first prize of \$2.50 and a second winning of \$1.00, in war stamps, for each group. Winners will be eligible for the state awards, and, if successful, even for the national award. All entries must be under 500 words and must be mailed to Mrs. Harry C. Page, Chairman of the Americanism Essay Contest for the 5th District of the American Legion Auxiliary, which sponsors this contest, 3834 Olive, not later than March 1, 1944.

#### Red Cross Projects Completed

The woodworking department has competed for the American Junior Red Cross fifty Chinese checker boards to be used by the men in the armed services and fifty bedside tables to be used in army hospitals.

Bill Suiter and Rodney Cantrill have constructed motor driven Ucontrol airplanes which they believe will travel 85 miles an hour. Individual projects which have been taken up in woodworking are the construction of a cedar chest by Clarence Hurd, a radio table by Dwight Milliren and a modernistic table by Bill Ragen.

Virginia Kretz proudly displays the label on a dress she received as a birthday gift. It reads, "New York Style, Direct from Hollywood."

How we'd like to get our hands on some of these souls who remove their shoes during classes!

## Among our Servicemen

Merle Leroy Hennigh, '30, lieutenant in the Army Air Force, is now in Italy. He has been in the Army eleven years.

John Grotzinger, '37, lieutenant in the Army Air Force, flew a plane in from California last week for a 2day visit and returned in another plane.

Felix Eichelbaum, '43, cadet in naval aviation training, is stationed at the School of the Ozarks.

John Arnold, '40, is completing his training as an aviation cadet at Ft. Sumner, N. Mex.

Pfc. Carl Kron, '42, is taking the U. S. P. course at the University of Illinois.

Ted Liebetrau, '43, is a patient in the army hospital at Jefferson Barracks.

Arthur Runkel, '42, is stationed in England.

Harold Emmert, '37, has arrived safely in England, after what he described "a perilous, exciting journey."

Pfc. Ray Freeman, '43, U. S. M. C. is now stationed somewhere in the South Pacific.

The Army has mixed the names of the four Seibel brothers several times lately, giving one brother the credit for what another one has done. The four brothers are Louis B. Seibel, '35, Army; Joseph A. Seibel, '38, Army Air Corps; John R. Seibel, '40, Army Air Corps graduated last week as a meteorologist, and James E. Seibel, '37, Army Air Corps, reported missing over Germany.

Aviation Cadet Richard W. McEwen, '42, has finished his basic training at Amarillo Army Air Field and is attending Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

Milton James, aviation cadet, is stationed at Lemoore, Cal.

Bob Adams, '41, recently received his wings and his commission as second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. He was the highest ranking cadet in a graduating class of 300 at Napier Field, Dothan, Ala.

Betty Fern Faggard, a former student, recently was inducted as a member of the Corpus Christi, Tex., high school Chapter of the National Honor Society.

# On the Giring Line

#### 17 CADETS PROMOTED

The following cadets were listed in the promotion list published February 11:

Captains, Robert O'Dwyer, John Pennington, William Sexton.

First lieutenants, Robert Lennington.

Second lieutenants, Jack Hedger, Fred Heim, Frank Schroeder, Robert Spencer.

First sergeants, George Nitchy, Ralph Basler.

Sergeants, Harold Barach, James Howard, John Liljestrand.

Corporals, Stanford Gilgus, Robert Holder, Gerald Jones, Frederick Titus.

#### PERCENTAGE OF POSITIVES IN TB TEST LOWEST IN CITY

One hundred and ninety-three Westport students took the T. B. test February 3. Doctor Keeling who read the tests, said that our 10 per cent positives put us in the group of schools which have the lowest percentage of positives in Kansas City.

A positive test only means that an individual who has been exposed to T. B. has built up a blood stream protection. However, such persons will be, and are, susceptible to future infections.

Miss Anna E. Hussey, supervisor of the home economics department of the public schools, discussed health aspects of housekeeping at a recent meeting of the P.T.A. home nursing class. Today Miss Ross of the city health department will describe the work of various community organizations and the benefits derived from them.

#### Launch Service Project

A service project which the Reserves will launch at the first meeting in March will be to bring used or outgrown clothing which will be suitable for use by refugees, the needy in the United States, and war sufferers everywhere. Needed are all sorts of clothing, shoes, quilts, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, towels, rugs, soap, toilet articles, sewing materials, toys, games, and athletic equipment. This project is sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee. If anyone, whether in Girl Reserves or not, would like to contribute, bring the contributions to Miss Durboraw's room.

Julie Ann Aaron now is on the "Buzz" staff of the North Kansas City high school. She was a member of the newswriting class before moving in December.

## Tarawa Survivor Plans to Complete High School

Mr. Harris has received the following letter from a former Westporter now in the Marine Corps. It shows, better than we can say, what education means to the boys in the armed forces.

South Pacific, Jan. 14, 1944 Mr. Harris:

I am writing you in regard to furthering my schooling. I believe it was in 1940 that I quit in, or at the beginning of, my senior year.

I would be very grateful if you would be so kind as to look up my record and let me know just what subjects and how many credits I need to complete high school.

What I'm planning to do is to take a course presented to us by the Marine Corps Institute, and hope to get à diploma stating I have a high school education.

I am now in a rest camp, the location of which I am not at liberty to tell. Before we arrived here our outfit was in the battle of Tarawa, which, no doubt, you have heard about by now. Prior to the Tarawa campaign I was stationed in New Zealand where I joined my present outfit. They came there from Guadalcanal. I was not lucky enough to be there also.

I will close in expressing my appreciation again and hope it does not put you to too much trouble.

Respectfully-Pvt. Floyd J. Allen.

#### MAJORITY OF PHYSIOGRAPHY PUPILS PREFER TO LIVE IN K. C.

Students in Mr. Shearer's physiography classes recently were asked to write a paragraph on the location in which they would like to live the rest of their lives if they had their choice. The results of the papers were tabulated and some interesting facts turned up.

Most of the students were perfectly content to live in Kansas City. They led with fifteen votes. The humid subtropical climate ranked next with ten votes. This type of climate is found in the southeastern part of the United States. Third choice was the mild Mediterranean climate with nine votes. This climate is found in southern California, southern France and Italy. Marine west coast and Savannah tied for the fourth place, Tropical rainforest and mid-latitude steppe were next and sub arctic was the least desirable climate, probably because most students do not like the cold.

The main thing in the mind of the students when they wrote the papers was weather and climate since that is what the classes have been studying.

# Army-Navy Test to Be Given March 15

The third nationwide test for candidates who wish to be considered for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program will be held March 15, at 9 o'clock. The test is to be administered only to boys who will be 17 to 21 years old inclusive on July 1, 1944, and who will have been graduated from high school by July 1, 1944. Boys who took the test previously may take it again if they still are eligble.

The purpose of the Army Specialized Training Program is to provide technicans and specialists for the Army. Those selected for this program will study, at government expense, at colleges and universities in fields determined largely by their own qualifications. They will be soldiers on active duty, in uniform, under miltary discipline, and on regular Army pay. They are under no obligation to serve longer than any other soldier.

The purpose of the Navy Program is to provide officers for the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. Courses are open for Deck Officers, Medical Corps, Dental Corps, General Engineer Specialists, Civil Engineering, Construction Corps, Aerology, Supply Corps, and Chaplain Corps.

The test takes two hours, and is divided into three parts. The first part tests knowledge of the meaning and use of words; the second asks questions about scientific matters which are of general knowledge; the third section consists of a number of problems in mathematics.

A leaflet of general information which contains an admission-identification form may be obtained from Miss Hatch. This form should be filled out and returned to the office. Only students who have a good school record are likely to qualify.

Students who take the qualifying test will be required to indicate on the day of the test their preference for the Army program or that of the Navy. Taking the test does not constitute enlistment in either branch of the armed services; that is, having taken the test a student is not obligated to enter the program if he is accepted. However, no candidate who expresses a preference for the Army will be considered by the Navy or vice versa. No change in preference may be made after the day of the test.

School will be dismissed early next Tuesday afternoon, so faculty members can attend the next P.T.A. meeting. A Founders Day program will be presented.

## Up and Down the Corridors

Norman Lockhart, '28, president of Speech Arts club in his senior year, visited play rehearsal last Wednesday evening. He is now married and employed in a bomber plant. He wants to obtain a copy of the 1928 Herald.

Howard Damascus played "The Sea" by Debussy at the last meeting of Alpha Lyra; Jeannie Whitney sang "Dawn in the Forest," and Eddie Mc-Leroy played Liszt's "Prelude Fantasie.'

Miss Ursula Ash, a former teacher at Westport junior, died February 10. She was teaching at Southwest at the time of her death.

The American history classes are completing a study of the Civil War and the reconstruction period.

Second-year Latin classes are translating Caesar's record of the Gallic wars.

Mary Louise Brink, '42, is working as a comptometer operator at the Kansas City Power and Light company.

After looking at all the placards and cups won by previous commercial students, two thoughts of school have developed. One group has decided to work harder and match these winners, and the others, still wobbly from reading, feel too frightened to know what to do!

The Westport P.T.A. board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. G. G. McWhirter Monday, February 28, at 11:30 o'clock.

Pupils in the second hour clothing ing class, winners in a war stamp buying contest, were the guests of the losers, the girls in the second hour cooking class, at a Valentine's day party. Refreshments consisted of ice cream, cookies, nuts and candy.

Among the new members of the A Capella Choir are Arline Blackwood, Betty Kanally, Herbert Wedding, Bruno Stein, and George Reasor.

The A Cappella Choir will broadcast for the Red Cross Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock from station KMBC.

Marjorie Carlson, '38, was married Friday, February 18, to Sgt. Sam Pharr of Alabama in the First Lutheran Church. Her sisters, Bernice, '43, and Edla, a senior, were candle lighters.

Miss Gales' speech classes are dividing into groups of four to work on one-act plays. The best play presented in each of the three classes will be chosen. Miss Gales then hopes to hold a final contest, selecting the best play of all of her classes.

A party was given by the Girl Reserves today in room 317. It was planned by Shirley Elliot, social chairman.

Public speaking students will broadcast from the science equipment room down to room 5 in their new study of radio. Students will work singly, or in groups up to four. The scripts will be original, and the programs will be equipped with commercial and sound effects that the students have worked out.

Miss Eggleston's second year Latin classes are subscribing to a publication, "Auxilium Latinum," a Latin Help. Highlights in the news, a story entitled "The Case of the Unwanted Corpse," biographies of Alexander de Seversky and of Bing Crosby, jokes, and a crossword puzzle are the most interesting articles in the October-November issue. It is believed these are the only classes in this city that receive a Latin magazine.

First Aid Class for Juniors and Seniors Started by Mr. Means

A first-aid class, composed of pupils taking the junior and standard courses, has been organized under the direction of Mr. Means. The class meets every Tuesday in room 12.

The following are enrolled:

The following are enrolled: Mary K. Baney, Yvonne Bare, Martha Bander, Doxene Cambron, Rosalie Carleton, Carolyn Colyer, Shirley Dud-ley, Betty Dwyer, Beverly Ferguson, Barbara Gardner, Frances Heenan. Patty Herrmann, Mary Hubbard, Pa-tricla Hunt, Betty Jane Hutcheson, Marilyn Johnson, Jessee Lancaster, Avonelle Leuthen, Nancy Lund, Edris McCarty, Ruth Marcell Mainquist. Mary Helen Ryder, Alberta Seager, Ethel Senger, Elaine Fenenbaum, Ar-lene Thiers, Marilyn Tidd, Wanda Fin-klebaugh, Lou Jane Unruh, Evelan Vegiard.

klebaugh, Lou Jane Unruh, Evelan Vegiard. Frances Wade, Barbara Waltner, Beverly Waltner, Beverly Wheeler, Bob Chaffer, Ralph Delap, Brandon Gilmore, Gary Johnson. Eugene Larson, Bob Mathews, Tom Pendleton, Larry Montgomery, Bill Perry, Ted Riegleman, Bob Riley, Harry Vantries, Bruno Stein.

# Typing Awards

Typing awards for the last of February were won by the following pupils:

pupils: 50. Eunice Nicholl, Gertrude Roth-berg: 40. Audrey Brann, Jerome Mandl, Alice Bailey, Frankle Goodwin, Jeannie Whitney: 30, Joned Billings, Dale Maxey, Eloise Rhodus, Margaret Lid-dle, Mary Lou Minnerly, Ruby Allen, Charles Morrison, Helen Root, Natalie Kingdon, Helen Granstrom, Irwin Block, Marian Pugh, Jacqueline Kan-ally, Sheryi Holland, Emma Mae Zieg-ler: 20, Richard Albright, Phoebe Matchett, Beverly Gray.

# 9 Tracksters Entered In Big Six Meet

Kansas City high schools again have been invited to participate in the annual Big Six track meet in the Municipal Auditorium Saturday night. This will be the first year that competition will not be limited to the relay. Greater Kansas City high schools will compete in the 60-yard dash, 60-yard low hurdles, 440, 880, and the relay.

Since Westport and Manual do not have out door tracks, the teams representing these two schools will be greatly handicapped by inexperience. However, under Mr. Bourrette's guidance and with the aid of Mr. Shepherd a formidable team will represent Westport, A state rule prohibits Kansas City high schools from competing against Kansas schools.

The school receiving the most points will receive a cup. Tickets may be purchased from Mr. Bourrette for 25 cents until Friday.

The following boys will represent Westport Saturday night: 60-yard dash-Roy Brown and Eddie

Stewart

60-yard low hurdles-No entries because practice facilities are lacking. 440-yard run-Jim Mullis and Bob

440-yard run-Stuart Talcroft. 880-yard run-Stuart Talcroft. Relay (146 2/3 yards per man)-Four of the following: Brown, Stewart, Wales, Sims, and Sturgeon.

#### ANNUAL BOXING TOURNEY TO START FEBRUARY 29

After several weeks of intermittent practice, the annual school boxing tournament will start February 29 in Mr. Shepherd's gym classes. To qualify for the finals, a boy must first win the preliminary rounds in his class. The eleven champions from each class then will be matched after school against other champions. R.O. T.C. boys and non-gym boys are invited to enter the tournament.

Of the eleven champions crowned last year only four remain in school. All of the remaining seven are in the armed forces, fighting a greater battle.

The returning champions are: G. Bratcher, Chapman, G. Owens, and Littrell. However, these boys will experience great difficulty in retaining their titles due to the great spirit and skill displayed by the boys under Mr. Shepherd's guidance.

The following boys were winners last year:

1943	Boxing	Champions
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Paperweight G. Bratcher*					
90 pounds Chapman*					
100 pounds					
110 pounds					
120 pounds Littrell*					
130 poundsBriscoe					
140 poundsEd. Wagner					
150 poundsYarrington					
160 poundsRimel					
170 poundsStratford					
Heavyweight Cubine					
"Still in school.					
Rest are in the armed convices					

st are in the armed services.

## Vikings Surge Ahead In Final Quarter

After trailing for three-quarters of the game, the Northcast Vikings came from behind to defeat Westport 36-28 Friday evening in the fourth interscholastic league game. The Tigers, with O'Brien, Mitchell, Carras. and Feagans all aiding the scoring effort, held a 21-14 lead at the half.

The second half was all Northeast, with the Vikings holding Coach Chubb's crew to a goal and 5 free throws, all by Leroy Mitchell. It was Donnici and Murphy who did most of the scoring in the second half, while Edwin Lee, sophomore giant center, was the outstanding defensive player.

Although he scored only 7 points, Bob O'Brien retained his leadership in the league's scoring race.

The game's high scorer was Donnici with 11, while Mitchell with 10 paced the Tigers. Bill Feagans played his usual good game, in the loss, defensively, and added 7 points to aid the offense.

The summaries:

Northeast-	Westport-28				
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#### PEM-DAY RAIDERS UNABLE TO STOP BOB O'BRIEN

Unable to stop high scoring Bob O'Brien, the Pem-Day Raiders dropped a 31-21 verdict to the Westport Tigers February 9, on the victors' court. Holding a decided advantage in height the Tigers used it to good advantage. O'Brien, by far the tallest player on the court, scored 17 points to lead the Tigers offensive, while Ronald Goodman paced the Raiders with 12.

The Tigers, preparing for their championship games, were in good form, holding the Pem-Day center, Blakemore to 3 points. Feagans and Higgins again played outstanding defensive games, while O'Brien took care of most of the scoring chores.

Coach Chubb used eleven players in the game, avenging a close decision game won by Pem-Day last vear.

Interclass competition in girls basketball will be confined to a round robin tournament between the two highest teams in League A; the two highest in League B, and the top squad in the freshmen league. Separate class teams formerly were chosen. An all-star rating will be given on the basis of participation in these contests.

# Meet the Team

Max Teeter has made numerous appearances in games this year, playing forward for the Tiger cage crew. Only a sophomore, Max stands 5 ft. 11 inches and is an outstanding member of the second team. Always alert, Max has scored several times this season and is uncanny on trick shots.

Max will be back two more years and should add much to the team his junior and senior years.

The other boy of the same name on the team is Norman who spells it Teetor. Also a sophomore and a forward, Norman stands 5 ft. 9. A second team star, he has gained valuable experience which will help him the next two years. Norman has suited up all this year and is always ready to jump in and play a good game.

This completes the "Meet the Team" list.

#### CARRAS LEADS CAGERS TO VICTORY OVER WENTWORTH

Led by Nick Carras and Bob O'Brien with 14 and 7 points respectively, the Westport Tigers overcame a first half lead to defeat Wentworth Military Academy 28 to 24 February 11. With 5 of the 6 cadets taking part in the scoring, the academy team gained a 15-9 lead at the half.

In the second half it was all Westport. Tied at 20-all at the third quarter mark, the Tigers lost O'Brien and Mitchell, their two stellar forwards, on fouls. However, Carras could not be stopped and the Tigers emerged victorious to the tune of 28-24.

The game was marked throughout by heavy fouling by both sides. The Tigers were penalized 17 times, while the Cadets received 14 against them.

#### Class and Squad Leaders Chosen in Miss Small's Classes

Class leaders and squad leaders have been chosen in Miss Small's classes as follows:

Hour 2, class leader, Dorothy John-ston; squad leaders, Donna Mueller, Phyllis Ahl, Helen Root, Gwendolyn Fry, Eugenia Beaumont, Virginia Johnson, Virginia Johnson.

Hour 4, class leader, Novalee Kolbe; squad leaders, Elaine Speiser, Shirley Wallace, Kitty Lawrence, Grace Spang, Doxene Cambron, Barbara Gardner,

Hour 5, class leader, Dorothy Hub-bard: squad leaders, Clara Davis, Ger-aldine Kramer, Natalie Thornbrough, Laura Love, Harriet Huncilman, Bar-bara Stacey.

Hour 6, class leader, Wanda Mc-Donald: squad leaders, Frances Hee-ran, Wanda Harper, Louise Gregory, Donna Griffith, Mary Ryder, Eliza-beth Watson.

Hour 7, class leader, Goldie Mallett; squad leaders, Betty Vandevoir, Sally Dickey, Mary Hutson, Shirley Alton, Marilyn Tidd, Alice Kramm,

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# Educators Here for Regional Meeting

"The People's Schools in War and Peace," is the theme of the annual conference of the American Association of School Administrators which opens this afternoon in the Music Hall of the Municipal Aulitorium.

Dr. Hunt will preside at the first session. Music will be furnished by the Westport band, directed by George Keenan, and a chorus of 500 girls from the seventh grade and the junior high schools, under the direction of Miss Mabelle Glenn. Addresses will be delivered by Mrs. Edith B. Jaynes, president of the NEA, and by John K. Norton, Teachers College, Columbia University.

Speakers at the general session this evening in the Municipal Auditorium will be Elbert R. Fretwell, chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, and John W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education. The combined choirs of the Kansas City high schools will sing.

High school pupils and their parents are invited to attend tomorrow evening's session in the Municipal Auditorium. "The Schools of Great Britain Carry On," will be the subject of an address by Worth McClure, superintendent of schools, Seattle, Wash., president of the association, and Alexander Stoddard, superintendent of schools, Philadelphia, will discuss "Education and the People's Peace." These will be highly enlightening speeches for high school pupils.

#### "Nothing But the Truth" Title of School Play

"Nothing But the Truth," a comedy in three acts by James Montgomery is the choice of the play committee for the first play of the year. It will be presented Friday and Saturday nights, March 31 and April 1.

The proceeds of the play will be applied on the payment of a new rug which has been purchased for the stage. Activity tickets will be accepted for admittance. Since all activities use the stage, each pupil should support the play by buying a ticket.

Miss Keeler, the director, is being assisted in rehearsals by Miss Wheeler. Jerome Mandl is student assistant in charge of the general management, publicity, and ticket sales. Stage Manager Jerry McWhirter will choose his assistants from the Stage and Screen club. Miss Wilhite's class is making posters and the band will furnish the music. March 8, 1944

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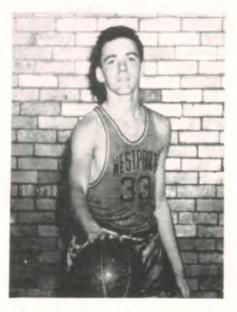
# Lease Signed for Recreation Center

A lease signed Saturday guarantees the opening of a recreation center for Westporters within the next three weeks. Commodious quarters in a convenient location have been rented and will be ready for occupancy when furnished and properly equipped.

City officials and community leaders will attend the opening later in the month. Music for dancing will be furnished by a well known orchestra engaged by the city welfare department.

According to present plans, the recreation center will be open Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and eve-

# Boy of the Week



Because of his fine offensive play and able leadership, Bob O'Brien won a berth on the Kansas City Star's 1944 all-star team. O'Brien, a 6 ft.-4 in. forward, has been a mainstay in the Tigers' lineup, averaging 14.3 points a game for a 101-point total in league play. This total set a new league record. The non-league games brought his season's total to 179 points.

Particular accurate on tip-in shots, O'Brien also was poison from the free throw line. A fine team player, he was the unanimous choice of the team for the position of honorary captain. The all-star quintet presents a powerful lineup. It includes Dick Soper, Northeast, and Jim Beauchamp, Manual, at guard, Red Moulder, Manual, center, and Dwight Fricke, the Southeast ace at forward. ning from 4 until 7 o'clock and on Friday and Saturday nights from 7 to 12 or 1 o'clock.

Funds for this new project will be provided by the P.T.A., the Community Council and private subscriptions. The management will be in the hands of the student council, which will make and enforce all rules and regulations.

The recreation center will fill the need for a place where teen age youths can meet for wholesome diversion and entertainment with such selfimposed restraints as any group of well behaved boys and girls would expect and desire.

#### SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN RED CROSS DRIVE

Starting March 12, the Junior Red Cross drive will continue through March 19. Although every contribution, large or small, will entitle the donor to membership in the Junior Red Cross, a tentative goal of \$1 per member will be reached if the response of the student body is a measure of their desire to participate in a great patriotic endeavor.

The destination of contributions varies. One dollar per 100 pupils goes to the National Red Cross to pay for the magazine. When the drive is completed, the Junior Red Cross Council representatives from each high school will decide how much money shall go to the National Children's Fund. One thousand dollars was given last year.

The remaining money will go to the Kansas City Service Fund to buy raw materials from which Kansas City boys and girls make model airplanes, used in naval training; bedside tables, Chinese checker boards, canes, crutches, diet card holders, bed jackets and slippers, all for use in hospitals. Posters, greeting cards, ash trays, favors for parties, and card table covers are sent to recreation halls in army camps.

## STOP! LOOK! AND LISTEN!

There's news in the air On the fourteenth of March You're supposed to be — WHERE? Up in the girls' gym At the SENIOR blow-out There'll be fun by the peck There isn't a doubt A swing band and all And ice cream to boot When the last bell rings Be ready to scoot. — E. S.

## Absenteeism a School Problem

A certain war plant on the West Coast pays its absentees in German marks for the days missed, thus penalizing needless absence from the important business of manufacturing arms for the winning of this war. But what should be done about needless absence from the important business of obtaining an education for the period after this war?

Ever since the war began, absences from the classrooms have soared at the very time when the need for education is greatest. Few pupils can afford to miss school needlessly. A lost day is hard to regain. If it is made up at all, it means that the absentee will have to work twice as hard to make up for lost time. If it is not made up, it will take its toll on the student's scholarship. Miss Hatch pointed out recently that one day out of school equals two absences. Faulty mathematics? Indeed not. Besides the day he was out of school, there is the following day when the absentee's lessons are unprepared.

Heedless pupils seemingly do not realize that by their absence from the classroom they are aiding the enemy just as effectively as the absentee from the munitions factory, or the soldier who neglects his post. The knowledge that was not gained in the classroom in the time missed might be the very knowledge needed in some crisis of a decisive battle, or in some situation arising in peacetime vocations.

Every class, every day missed, is a bullet or a bomb which failed to hit its mark.

# It Sez Here

Here's that column again. Even your darkest secrets aren't sacred anymore. Was Doris Kimball's face red when she told a boy to step out of line for talking on the way down to the cafeteria, and then found out that he was a visitor. Some of the visitors are pretty young looking though.

Two of the gruesome twosomes that have not had proper recognition are Donna Glazier and Lindy Pennington and Ruthelene Eaton and George Chatten.

We hate to disagree with our fellow reporters, but from where we are sitting (too lazy to stand) it looks as if Lamar Hazen isn't foot loose and fancy free as was stated in the last Crier. What happened to George, Bette?

Doug Humphreys gets much attention from many girls every morning. He accepts all of their endearments with proper meekness and comes back next day for more.

We didn't recognize Guy May when he wore those glasses to school. He looked so studious. While on the subject of Guy, if more boys had heel taps put on their shoes the noise would be deafening.

There's a "RUSH" in the promenade these days. Hep, you've guessed it, even though you can't find it for the crowd. It's Martha.

Major Ferber's heart has strayed to Paseo. As for the rest of him, he's still here.

Whoever heard of going to have your picture taken without a suit, yet that's what Manual says happened to Bob O'Brien and they had to lend him one.

"Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight" is the theme song of a lot of gals these days.

Jack Sevier is our candidate for Casanova in 1947, that is unless some girl ropes him in, or Homer Ferguson captures the title.

Some girls are thinking of forming a "W" club. After all they wear the pins. Delores Bales and Pat Walz are aiding the project.

Just think, Marilyn McHenry and Ted Foote have been going steady for two whole months now.

The old reporter couldn't find anymore sense or nonsense so that's all "It Sez Here," except everyone wishes to thank the basketball team for the swell job they did this season.

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## How to Pass a Test

How often have we heard students make this remark, "If only I knew what to study for that test." Even when one knows what to study, he experiences difficulty in the matter of how and when to study. It may be helpful to set up certain rules which will give students maximum results without much waste of effort.

A few simple rules that will help you in preparing for your examinations are:

1. Try to decide what is important in the material you are to be tested on. In each paragraph write down the most important things, which can be memorized.

2. Find out what you do not know and review that. A good way is to ask your teacher what your weak points are and then review that.

3. Go over old homework papers. Check over your old papers to find out what things you are weak in.

4 Make a chart or diagram. This will help you to cover the work more thoroughly.

5. One of the most important rules is not to study the last hour before a test.

Perhaps these few rules will be of assistance in preparing you for your examination.

-Red and Black.

In coooperation with the counselors of the high schools, the College Guidance Committee is preparing charts of comparative costs, size, rating, requirements, living facilities and special subjects offered in 100 men's, women's and coeducational colleges. While many of the schools listed are in the middle west, there are some from each part of the country.

# **Pupils Suggest New** Dog Pound at Swope

Because of their efforts in trying to improve conditions at the city dog pound, Miss Cannon's fifth hour civics class has been invited to attend a meeting of the City Council at which time the subject will be brought to the attention of the council.

When the class heard of a drive to rebuild the dog pound, a committee consisting of Donna Kindsvater, Tom Merritt, Geneva Greenwood, and Bob Weigand was elected to visit the city pound as class representatives. Another committee was sent to report the findings to Dr. Hunt. The superintendent was much in favor of the campaign, and sent the committee to Mr. Cookingham, city manager, who declared that their idea of building a new pound in the immediate vicinity of the Swope Park zoo was the only practical suggestion that he had received.

Petitions have been circulated and are ready to be returned. The class is now making plans to see officers of the Humane Society, and to contact the Park board to see if the pound could be established at Swope Park.

Mr. Holloway is favorably impressed with the fine project this class has undertaken, and the rest of the student body is "sitting up and taking notice" of the freshmen.

#### UNIVERSITY WOMEN TO HOLD COLLEGE GUIDANCE CLINIC

Questions about colleges will be welcomed at the annual College Guidance Clinic, which will be held Saturday, March 25, at the University Women's club, Sophian Plaza, Warwick and Brush Creek boulevards.

Information on specialized fields has been compiled by the College Guidance committee, who will be available at all times by appointment. Members of the committee will be on duty from 10 to 6 o'clock at the club rooms, where the exhibit will be on display.

#### Britisher to Speak in Assembly

The Rev. Michael Coleman, D.D., an English vicar from All Hallows church, London, will be the speaker in both assemblies Thursday, March 16. He is giving a mission March 12 to March 17 at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. He was present when All Hallows church near the London Tower was bombed in the Battle of Britain.

Johnny Jones' Diary F ailed to get to class on time A ttitude unruly I nattentive in class Left book conveniently at home E xcuses poor D id not work.

## **Ouill and Scroll Nominees**



Standing, left to right, Jack Morton, Anita Boresow, Bertha Boresow, Marilyn Haggard. Seated, left to right, Jean Suffill, Emma Schuler, Delores Hunter.

#### CRIER ITEM BRINGS FORMER STUDENTS TOGETHER

When Miss Trotter sent several recent issues of the Crier to Betty Faggard, a former student who now lives in Corpus Christi, Tex., she didn't realize that they would also bring pleasure to Bruce Gillespie, '42, a naval cadet in Corpus Christi. An item in one of the copies stated that Bruce was stationed there and upon reading it the Faggard's called the base to invite Gillespie to spend the evening at their house. Bruce accepted the invitation and his visit was spent reminiscing with Betty about the teachers and pupils they had known at Westport. In her letter to Miss Trotter, Betty expressed a desire to hear more news from the school and was certain Bruce would also.

Perhaps all Westport's servicemen would welcome news from home and your Crier might bring a smile to some of our boys' faces.

#### SHORTHAND AWARDS

The following awards have been won this month in the advanced shorthand class:

120, Sophia Barash, Nancy Barnes, Delores Roller, June Murray; 100, Betty Bly Andrews, Geraldine Brooks, Eunice Nicoll, Cherie Shipley.

In the beginning classes the following students have won awards:

80, Anita Boresow; 60, Maurine Filson, Barbara Golden, La Rue Johnson, Annie Love Leach, Betty Thatcher, Jeanne Whitney.

Bruce Joseph, '41, has been appointed organist and choir master at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Stamford, Conn. Prior to this, he was an assistant organist at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York.

Seven members of the Crier staff have been nominated for the Edgar Snow Chapter, of the Quill and Scroll society. They are: Anita Boresow, Bertha Boresow, Marilyn Haggard, Delores Hunter Jack Morton, Emma Schuler, and Jean Suffill.

Organized for the purpose of encouraging and rewarding individual achievement in journalism and creative writing, the Edgar Snow chapter received its charter February 25, 1942.

#### New Vocational Books Added to Library Collection

Ever-increasing opportunities in all fields of work increase the importance of the many new vocational books which have been added to the collection in the school library. Included among these new books are the following series by A. V. Keliker:

News Workers, Nurses at Work, Office Workers, Doctors at Work, Movie Workers, Retail Sales Workers, Farm Workers.

The reference section of the library also is a storehouse of information where one can learn almost everything -from how and why a frog moves to the habits of the tiniest microbes known! And, of course, there are books for enjoyment, too.

Miss Fairweather, the librarian, is willing and gracious in her assistance. She welcomes every student to use all of the facilities in the library.

Typing awards announced March 1 were won by the following pupils:

60, Natalie Thornbrugh; 50, Shirley Werner, Betty Gould, Ometa Siegelin; 40, Martha Weber, Leon Levin, Gloria Stanard; 30, Phyllis Turley, Winlfred Copeland, Donna Rapier, Helen Loh-meyer, Lucile Nekuda; 20, James Boyd, Viola Kamphous, Shirley Nikles,

## 'Respond Generously to Red Cross Call'

#### To My High School Friends:

During March we of the United States are called upon annually to enroll under the banner of "the greatest mother of all—The American Red Cross. Simultaneous with the campaign for memberships in the senior organization comes the request for Junior Red Cross affiliation on the part of public school pupils. To this call I hope that the response may be enthusiastic and generous.

Here in Kansas City the Junior Red Cross has built an enviable reputation. Its appeal for service has found ready acceptance in all of the schools and the integration and correlation of the program of Red Cross activity with that of our curriculum has resulted in the creation of thousands of useful articles and the gaining of much valuable training and experience. The combination has proved a happy one.

When your homeroom considers the matter of annual Junior Red Cross membership, I trust that the great service which this organization, both in its senior and junior membership aspects, renders, will be carefully considered. Such consideration, together with the opportunity for personal expression of endorsement and support on your part which is afforded will inevitably lead to generous response.

The recently announced intention of the military to reallocate from specialized training at colleges and universities 110,000 students out of approximately 150,000 so enrolled for active combat duty should impress upon every high school student the need for taking full advantage of present educational opportunities. Apparently there is now little likelihood that high school graduation is to be followed by college training. More important, therefore, becomes every day that is spent in school. Hundreds of young men now in the service-former Kansas City high school students-have told of their regret in not applying themselves more diligently. In many cases such failure has prevented promotion and advancement. High school students will give themselves an advantage to make the most of every present educational opportunity. Tomorrow may be too late!

A motorist writes that high school students are careless in observing electric stop and go signs and that accidents are frequently narrowly avoided only because of the extreme caution of drivers who are often forced to stop even though the light

## Under the Clock

The other day we actually saw Don Butler with his own sweater on.

Jeanne Wiedenmann wonders why people call her "angel" when she wears that baby blue angora sweater, white wool skirt, and a cross around her neck.

Joann McKee is rapidly becoming known for her ability to draw pretty faces.

In discussing her geneology Shirley Elliott proclaimed, "I'm a quarter Indian, a quarter Irish, and a half wit."

Dick Hunt is now heavyweight champion of Mr. Shepherd's fifth hour gym class. The reason: no one weighs as much as he does.

Bill Feagans has plenty of time to write letters third hour but never enough to do algebra.

Miss Fairchild has a good explanation of how to handle a highball. Of course she's talking about volleyball.

All of a sudden everyone seems to have "discovered" Chuck Graves. Quite a lad.

Lois Stilwell and Donna Mueller seem to have been a good influence on this year's basketball team.

NOTICE: I want all you fellows to stop borrowing my Irving Jacket so that I can wear it once in a while. Signed, Chuck Mullis.

Noticing Josephine Miller's Pundit ring for the first time, Miss Fairchild innocently remarked, "I didn't know Pundit had rings. What's the 'P' for?"

shows green for them. Traffic lights have been placed at important street intersections as a safety device for pcdestrians and motorists. They should be observed by both. Are you thoughtless in this respect? Carelessness may cost your life.

"Perhaps You're the Other Fellow," is the title of an interesting, well-written editorial in a recent issue of THE WESTPORT CRIER. Decrying thoughtless student conduct, the editorial suggests that "a small percentage of the student body, through their actions, is risking Westport's fine reputation." The editorial concludes, "You say, 'I don't do these things. It's the other fellow.' Perhaps the other fellow's 'other fellow' is you." A significant observation, is it not? Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt. Incidentally, kids, room 312 is a typing room. Those exercises the studes participate in are just the teacher's idea of relaxing them after a particularly gruelling lesson.

Juniors, take warning and buy your senior invitations NOW!!! This may seem a little early to be worrying but just remember "the early bird catches the worm (or the invitation as the case may be.")

How did you like those darling "twin" dresses that Phyllis Mimran and Shirley Tanner wore the other day? Pretty snappy!

There seems to be some attraction in room 207 fourth hour that causes all the S. G. men to stop and ogle frequently.

Some of those R.O.T.C. boys are just itching to get rid of their crossed rifles.

Bradley Sells is certainly generous about lending money. He is always trying to lend someone thirty cents.

Someone should tell Arline Blackwood that calcium is not a proteinrich food.

Anabel Bonaparte, the skeleton in the closet of Room 211, now has a contemporary. The girls have decided to call Anabel's boy friend, "Mergetroid."

This week's gruesome twosome should be Miss Hayden's dog and Miss Maddox's dog, who innocently sent each other Valentines last February 14th.

Inspired by her recent observations of the Latin American countries, Rosemarie Crowder thinks geography should become a part of the high school curriculum. The idea merits thought.

Some of the feminine Westporters received a happy surprise when they saw the masculine muscles on review at the boxing matches.

A certain group of eleven girls get together quite frequently but Martha Sharpsteen says that if there aren't fewer slumber parties and she doesn't get more sleep, something desperate is going to happen.

It helps a lot when gals co-operate in buying their clothes, comments Bette Bright.

Barbara Herber doesn't see as much of George lately, she's so busy studying and all, you know!

## New Course in Junior Newswriting Offered

Sophomores who have received grades of S and E in English are eligible for membership in a new class in creative writing which will be organized in September if a sufficient number enroll this spring. Miss Youngs will be the teacher.

This course, to be credited as English 5 and 6, is listed as junior newswriting. The pupils will do regular English work with emphasis on writing for print. The Crier-Herald staff for 1945-6 will be chosen from those who make good in this course and desire further training in newswriting.

Next year's Herald-Crier staff will be chosen from the juniors then enrolled in newswriting 2. This group will meet several times a week during seventh hour. They will be the editors of the Crier and the Herald and will have the rating of the student council executive board rather than as a class in a credited subject.

The senior newswriting class will be conducted by Mr. Booth, sixth hour. The members will receive instruction in newswriting and will prepare material for publication in the Crier in the second semester.

#### P.T.A. OBSERVES FOUNDERS DAY WITH PAGEANT

"As Told By Candles," a lovely pageant, was presented in commemoration of Founders Day at the P.T.A. meeting held last Tuesday in the school auditorium. The members who participated were Mrs. Ulmer, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs Thorne, Mrs. Vess, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Franke, Mrs. Nodell, and Miss Yager.

Three past presidents were guests of honor—Mrs. Caywood, Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Hildebrand. Each guest was presented with a blue and gold iris. Mrs Fairchild, mother of Miss Fairchild, gym teacher, and a former president of the City Council of the P.T.A., also was present.

Mrs. Labunski brought a plea from the Philharmonic committee for aid in helping to make up the shortage of funds that is facing the orchestra.

Miss Sally Morehead spoke briefly of the Community Center and its progress.

About one hundred teachers and parents adjourned to the cafeteria, where tea was served. Mrs. D. M. Dodds and Mrs. Harry Waltner were in charge and the table was a pretty sight with the lovely birthday cake and silver service.

Displayed in the front hall is a water color sketch done by Barbara Butler, art six. The sketch is of Lois Nodell. The painting has been chosen the masterpiee of the week.

# Wins Herald Prize



Donna Faye Rapier's entry was chosen as the cover design for the 1944 Herald, in a contest held in the art department. Donna Faye, a senior, was vice president of the Jules Guerin art club last semester, and now is taking her fifth year of art. Winner of fourth place in the contest last year, Donna submitted four entries to this year's competition.

Placing second in the contest was Martha Porter, a junior, and tying for third place were Richard White, a senior, and Julia Parkins, a junior. Marilyn Haggard, a junior, was awarded fourth place.

Judges were Miss Ina Bonney, H. Ralph Kolbe of the Burger-Baird Engraving Company, and Jack Morton.

More than forty-nine entries were submitted by students in the art classes. The designs were required to be 8½ by 11 inches in size, and were drawn in black and white.

This year's Herald cover will be blue with the design embossed in gold.

#### Gilliat Brothers Achieve Double Honors in Same Week

The Gilliat family, 3407 Summit street, had a double honor bestowed upon them last week. Wilson Gilliat, '40, was one of five seniors at M. I. T. who won the William Barton Rogers award of \$300. The awards are given annually in recognition of scholarship, character, and student leadership. Wilson won the regional scholarship to M. I. T. when he was 16 years old.

The other award was the Distinguished Flying Cross honoring another son, Lt. William R. Gilliat, '38, following the Ploesti raid. He is a navigator with the Army Air Forces in England.

Their sister, Ann, is a senior here.

The first year Spanish classes have purchased books containing a collection of Spanish songs for group singing. These books entitled "Cantemos," contain popular songs.

#### RITA TERRY WINS NEW LAURELS IN SPEECH CONTEST

Rita Terry added to her laurels as an effective speaker when she won the fourteenth oration contest, February 25, with Thomas Paine's "These Are the Times." Second place was awarded Joyce Carnahan, who gave Patrick Henry's "An Appeal to Arms." Runners-up were Stuart Talcroft, Sheryl Holland, Eugene Gerber, Anabel Hurley and Gaynelle Irving.

The judges were Miss Wheeler, Miss Trotter, Miss Keeler, Mr. King, and Mr. Ward.

The program was ended by Barbara Owen, who sang a French song and then led the group in "God Bless America."

In the last fourteen years the following have been winners in the speech contest:

1931, Nelson McIninch; 1932, Rogene McCollom; 1933, David Skeer; 1934, J. L. Russell; 1935, J. L. Russell; 1936, Robert Mead; 1937, Dorothy Phillips; 1938, Robin Humphrey; 1939, Robert Hooton; 1940, Harry Flapin; 1941, Albert Humphrey; 1942, Mary Anne Peake, Lois Ellis; 1943, Albert Humphrey; 1944, --.

Seven of the fourteen have their names inscribed on the bronze plaque for distinguished service in speech.

#### RICHARD WHITE WINS GOOD POSITION AT EMERY, BIRD'S

Richard White, president of the Jules Guerin art club, established a good personal rating while helping in the Scholastic contest. Chosen to represent Westport as a monitor at Emery, Bird, Thayer's where the exhibit was held, he worked until 10 o'clock Saturday night and came back Sunday to help finish hanging the pictures to be judged.

The store manager, noticing Richard's dependability, offered him a job as trimmer of the Walnut Street windows. He accepted the offer, with the agreement that he would have Friday afternoons free so that he could continue as president of Jules Guerin.

Richard had six entries in the contest, three in water color, and three in oil paints.

#### Alpha Lyra Program

Maurine Filson played "Spinning Song" by Mendelssohn, at the regular meeting of the Alpha Lyra club February 25, Jerome Mandl gave musical news of the last two weeks. Alan Baker followed with the song "O Cessate di Piagarmi" by Scarlatti, accompanied by Eunice Nicoll on the piano. Dorothy Cortelyou added to the program by playing "My Heart Ever Faithful," by Bach. Marjorie Wathall accompanied Jane Balfour when she sang "Just Lonesome" by Carrie Jacob Bond, this concluding a colorful program.

## Among our Servicemen

Bob Barr, '42, Army Air Corps, aeronautics division, is in training at Camp Lowry, Colo.

Harry Barker, '41, and Richard Perutelli, '42, have joined the Navy.

Louis Wm. Callegari, '40, Army, has seen service in the Aleutians and Dutch Harbor.

Don Seeley, '43, Navy V-5, is attending Duke University.

Kenneth Rader, '42, Field Artillery, is home on leave from maneuvers in Louisiana. He has a medal for sharp shooting and a ribbon for a year's good conduct.

Miss Bechtel has received a letter from Bob Rimal, '43, now a Pfc. in the Army.

Arthur C. Pennington, Jr., '40, Seabees, was home on furlough recently.

Mary H. Kuhn, '37, second lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps, visited her parents recently.

Bob Wholtman and Sam Hocker, both '43, were home on furlough recently. Bob is in the Seabees and Sam in the Tank Corps.

Ann Nafe, Betty Bopp, Marion Ruben and Theresa Brice are designing pictures to be hung in the Milton Moore school cafeteria.

Robert E. Brown, '42, is in the U. S. Maritime Service.

Sgt. John C. Hohner, '43, is in the engineers.

Seth Gatchell, '43, has entered Iowa State College for V-12 training. He has also been appointed an alternate to Annapolis.

Bill Kretz, '42, who is attending Washington University, has received an alternate appointment to Annapolis.

Dick Eckaus, '43, managing editor of the Crier last year, has started V-12 training at Iowa State College.

Frances Louise J.ckson, '39, an ensign in the Waves, is studying radar at Harvard. Her sister, Adelle Jackson, is a senior. Adelle also has two brothers in the service, Lieut. Chandler C. Jackson, aboard the U.S.S. Rock submarine in the Navy, and Lieut. (j.g.) Kern C. Jackson, who is teaching landing tactics at Solomons, Md. He has seen overseas action.



#### NEW RULING CLARIFIES ACTIVITY REGULATIONS

The following change in the ruling on "Limitations of Student Activities," as stated on page 39 of "The Westport Way," has been made by the Coordination of Activities Committee, composed of Miss Cook, Miss Lash, and Miss Totten:

"No person may hold the same office in two different organizations or serve as president in one organization and vice president of another. No person may be the colonel or major of the R.O.T.C., and hold the office of president of any class or of the student council."

As the class officers and student council officers have already been elected for this year, the new ruling will not go into effect until next year.

The parents of Lt. C. R. Thatcher have received a record of an interview between Thatcher and Maj. Gordon Hittenmark at their base in the Middle East. Station WDAF acted for the War Department in the presentation. Lieutenant Thatcher's sister, Betty, is a senior this year.

Jack Truman Williamson, '42, is in the hospital at Tarawa, after participating in the first invasion.

Gene Courtney, '43, visited the school recently on his leave between semesters at Park College, where he is training in the Navy V-12.

Eddy Wagner, who enlisted in the navy at the end of the semester, was home on leave recently.

Robert Ned Stair, '43, was inducted into the naval air corps March 1

John Kirkpatrick, '43, has been elected to the Walker Memorial Committee at M.I.T.

## 8 Homerooms Keep School Below War Stamp Goal

"Eight homerooms had a low percentage of war stamp buyers," said Miss Gales in a discussion of last week's sales. "If these eight rooms could bring up their percentage, we surely could get the 90 per cent necessary to obtain the Minute Man flag. However, we are proud of our record for the week, because it was obtained solely by student participation, while other schools are allowed to count bonds bought outside."

The percentage last week was 89, and the week previous it was 87. Last week thirty homerooms had 100 per cent participation. It is necessary to have a 90 per cent average for the whole school for four consecutive weeks to obtain the Minute Man flag.

# In the Shops

Eugene Sewell has completed a telephone table in the woodwork shop and several of the beginning students are working on small lamp tables and davenport tables, which will be finished soon.

Eugene Fluke, third year pupil in handicraft, was unable to complete the inlaid picture which he intended to enter in the National High School Art Exhibition because he could not procure the wood needed for the project.

The foundry workers in the metal shop are working on cores used in hollow parts of castings. The cores are made of sand and linseed oil and baked in a core oven. An example of this is the hollow part of an aircraft engine cylinder.

The boys also are doing some experimental work in plastics. Chester Davis designed and made a salad fork from the transparent plastics used in aircraft work.

A scale model of a P-40 airplane was made by Richard Posh, who first made a wood pattern and then cast the plane of aluminum.

#### Ross Heads Sg. Squad

First Lt. Richard Ross is commander of the S. G. Squad for the second semester.

The following members are on duty throughout the school day:

Second hour, Charles Cooper, Jack Long, Russell Basye; third hour, Jerry Brown, George Hutchison, Robert Lindholm, Richard Marsh, William Rowe, Donovan Wilkinson; fourth hour, Richard Beitling, Robert Bevan, William Franke, Roy Lund, Jim Boley, Donald Jennings, Dick Peters; fifth hour, Wallace Ostlund; sixth hour, William Barnes, Richard Sharp, George Tucker; seventh hour, Mark Barnett, Murl Caddell, John Zimmerman.

## Value of Latin Stressed in Grade School Talks

Believing that the study of Latin is a great help to students, especially in understanding English grammar and in increasing their vocabulary, the Latin department is putting on a campaign for recruits for next year. Incidentally, in a recent book, "Practice for the Army Tests," the following statement is made:

"It may be stated on sound, psychometric authority that the vocabulary test is one of the most important single means of testing intelligence. Some psychologists have even gone so far as to make up intelligence tests which consist entirely of vocabulary questions. They claim that this type of test is quite as valid and reliable as any other kind of intelligence test. And their claims are well substantiated."

Teams of six students have visited several neighborhood grade schools and with students who will come to Westport next year as the audience they have held round table discussions to show the value of the study of Latin. These groups have been received with interest on the part of the pupils and with kindness from teachers and principals.

The teams are as follows:

Stuart Talcroft, chairman; Annie Leach, Robert Zucco, Dean Melton, Robert Showalter, Dorothy Hubbard; Catherine McKim, chairman; Richard Ross, Charles Mullis, Jack Vincent, Grace Davis, Geraldine Cramer; Anita Boresow, chairman; Alice Jena Bailey, Ellsworth Clark, Bill Rowe, Annamaria Hersberg, Louise Nelson.

One little boy at Faxon who heard the group on Wednesday morning went to the home of one of the speakers that afternoon to borrow a Latin book!

#### This Day in History

A step toward the revolution was made this day in 1765 when England's House of Lords passed the Stamp Act.

Rangoon was taken by the Japanese in 1942.

In 1941, the Senate passed the Lend-Lease Bill.

Franklin D. Roosevelt won the first Democratic presidential preference primary of the campaign, held in New Hampshire in 1932.

Questions that high school seniors are asking include, "Should I go to college or take a war job? Is this the school program accelerated? How much does it cost? Should I join a sorority? Has the war affected the faculty? What kind of clothes will I need? Are there counselors?"

## Up and Down the Corridors

The girls in Miss Bechtel's human science classes are learning to administer artificial respiration.

Miss Keeler's advanced classes in speech have finished their unit on orations and now are studying various types of the drama. At midsemester each pupil will depict eight varying characters through interpretation of lines from a selected play.

The Speech Arts club has admitted Anita Sloan, Jack Stewman, and Janet Mallin.

The new members of the Irving club accepted at the last meeting are Richard White, Jack Morton, Duke Montgomery, Gerald Jones, Mark Kitch, Mervel Lunn, Eddie Cantwell, Don Ashmore, and Rex Strunk.

Sonya and Miska Buffington, juniors, have just completed a week's engagement at the Tower as a result of their winning the weekly Discovery Night contest. The girls made a trip to Salina, Kans., February 26, to appear in camp shows at the army and navy bases there.

Twelve teachers were guests at the P.-T.A. luncheon, at the home of Mrs. G. G. McWhirter. The P.-T.A. reports that the presence of teachers at the luncheons have added much to the success of these gatherings.

The choir and glee club will sing at the Westport Presbyterian Church Sunday, March 19.

New officers in the A Cappella Choir are David Houghland, president; Phyllis Ahl, vice-president; Marjorie Walthall, secretary; and Charles Frizell, treasurer.

Paula Julius is the new president of the Glee club, Gloria Stanard,vicepresident; Gloria Sackman, secretary, and Annabelle Hurley, treasurer.

Pundit had as its guest recently Edmund D. Washington, teacher of history and social studies at Lincoln high school. He gave an interesting and thought-provoking talk on what the "American Negro Is Thinking Today." He also brought some pamphlets concerning "American Negro Week."

Students are reminded that the Lost and Found Department was established for the purpose of returning lost articles to distracted owners. Articles which remain unclaimed for more than two weeks are donated to charitable institutions.

The advanced Spanish students are writing a 1,200-word essay on the theme "How Will Spanish Help the Youth of Today Solve the Problems of Tommorrow?" Miss Shelley will choose the entries to be sent to the state contest which ends March 15.

Edward Ashbough, who would have been graduated in June, '44, visited the school Monday, February 28. He is taking his boot course at Farragut, Ida., and is planning to finish his high school course by correspondence.

Representing Westport on the home front in a debate with Southwest, March 2, were Jean Wilkinson and Marilyn Haggard, affirmative, and Edla Carlson and Charles Hulse, negative. Sheryl Holland and Stuart Talcraft, affirmative, and Jack Miller and Ed Davis, negative, represented Westport at Southwest.

The commercial art classes are interpreting scenic photographs in pen and ink.

The human science classes are studying a human skeleton, which came from Germany before the war.

The pennant inscribed "Crack Company" has been presented to Company C for executing the best drill during the week ending February 18. To stimulate competition the pennant is awarded each week to the crack company and is carried below the company guidon during the following week.

Mrs. C. O. Douglas recently substituted as sewing instructor for Miss Alice Moss, who was ill for two weeks.

Miss Marian Doehler, attendance secretary and stenographer in the office for the last three years, has taken a position in the expediting department of the Wilcox Electric company. Her successor is Miss Irene Whitely, who previously operated farms in Jackson and Platte Counties.

Miss Gales' second hour speed class has organized a new club for discussing and improving their knowledge of literature. The members hope to learn and to improve their social graces through participation in panels and round table discussions. The new club, which will be sponsored by Miss Gales, welcomes all who desire to become members. Meetings will be held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

# Manual Wins Title in Concluding Game

The Manual cagers edged out the Tigers, 34-30, in the concluding game February 26 to gain the undisputed interscholastic championship for 1944. Using only their five starters, the Crimson crew overcame a 3-point deficit in the last period. With O'Brien hitting six goals in the first period, the Tigers trailed by only one point at the half.

Realizing that a tie for the championship would be their reward for winning, the Tigers fought desperately in the last half, but to no avail. Concentrating their defensive effort on O'Brien, the league's leading scorer, the Crimson held him scoreless. However, Mitchell and Feagans broke through the Tiger offensive to score and keep Westport in the running.

Although they lost, the Tigers gave a good account of themselves. O'Brien, Mitchell, and Feagans paced the scoring, while Higgins proved himself one of the best guards in the league.

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#### Cubs End Season With Victory Over Central

The second basketball team completed its season February 29, with a 41-31 victory over the Central Eaglets. Composed almost entirely of sophomores, the little Tigers defeated the older Central squad, with a junior studded lineup. Dulaney and Crouse, with 14 and 12 points respectively, paced the Cubs while Grega with 9 was high for Central.

Playing their best game of the season, the Cubs handled the ball like veterans to out-maneuver the Eaglet defense time after time.

Coach Chubb was pleased with the showing of the second team this year and looks forward to a strong first squad next year.

#### Sophomore Officers Promoted

Promotions among sophomore class officers followed the recent resignation of Dick Chapman, former president, who became a junior at mid-year. Grace Davis now is president; Annabel Hurly, vice president; Mary Elizabeth Perry, secretary; Barbara Harrington, treasurer, Louise Nelson is the new representative on the business committee.

# All-Star Runners-Up

Bill Feagans, junior guard, received a guard post on the second all-star five. A smart player, Feagans set O'Brien up time after time with fine passes. Bill lettered in his sophomore year, gaining valuable experience for this year's team. Besides aiding O'Brien, Bill several times broke through in offensive drives to drop the ball through for a 2 pointer.

Nick Carras, junior center, received honorable mention. Playing almost every second of every game, Nick was particularly potent on rebounds, outjumping many taller opponents. Nick made football all-star this year and looms as possible all-star material for next year.

Bob Higgins's name was missing from those receiving honorable mention in the Star. Bob, a junior, was the outstanding defensive player on the squad. Also a football star, Bob played quarterback and served as cocaptain.

#### Senior A Team Leads In Girls' Cage Tourney

Several games of the girls' intramural basketball tournament have been played with the senior A team topping the competition at this point, after defeating the senior B squad and the sophomores. The senior B's are next in line with one loss and two victories over the freshmen and sophomores. The juniors are tied with the senior B's for the runner-up spot and the scrap between these two teams should be fast and close. The sophomores are in fourth place with the freshmen bringing up the rear. This is the first time freshmen have been allowed to compete in class competition but they are making an excellent showing despite their inexperience.

The personnel in the Health Center have been busy patching up the boxing accidents. They are becoming accustomed to broken noses and black eyes since the girls' classes began aerial darts.

The Health Center assistants are looking quite pert in their new white smocks. These garments are new additions to the Health Center this semester.

High school counselors and schoolmen who attended a recent meeting of the Guidance Committee stressed the importance of a college education today. They agreed that high school juniors should begin now to plan for college.

## Bears Overwhelmed in Semi-final Tilt

Trailing by three points in the second period, the Tigers broke loose with a flurry of points to take a 24-15 lead at the half in the semi-final round of league play, February 22, against the East Bears. Victors over Manual, league champions, the Bears were no match for Coach Chubb's charges, sparked by O'Brien, Carras, and Mitchell.

Tricky ball handling by the Tigers was a feature of the game, especially the Feagans-O'Brien scoring combination. Time after time Feagan's accurate passes to the lengthy Tiger forward were turned into goals by the tip-in route. By scoring 9 field goals, O'Brien broke the league scoring record set by Cramer of Central with still one game to play. Bob Higgins was outstanding in a defensive role and also added a goal to the Tiger's tally.

As the game was drawing to a close, Coach Chubb sent in the whole bench, using all twelve players suited up. The final score of 43-31 put the Tigers in third place with a championship tie possible if a victory over Manual were turned in.

The line-ups:

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M. Teeter, f	0	0	0	R. Mais, f	0	ī	I
Mitchell, f	2	2	2	Neville, f	0	0	0
Delaney, f	0	0	1	Burgard, c	4	3	4
Miller, f	0	1	0	Adkins, c	0	0	0
Carras, c	6	3	0	E. Mais, g	3	õ	1
Gershon, c	0	0	0	Buell, g	0	0	ô
Feagans, g	0	1	1	Hughes, g	4	1	- 2
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# Coach Picks Lettermen

Coach Gayle Chubb announced Wednesday the following lettermen for the basketball season. The team unanimously selected Bob O'Brien honorary captain.

First Team	Second Team
Bob O'Brien	Jerry Huckstep
Bill Feagans	Bob Zucco
Nick Carras	Bob Crouse
Bob Higgins Leroy Mitchell	Gene Banaka Max Teetor
Dick Cox	Norman Teetor
Pat Dulaney	Bob Sims
Jack Miller	Bill McMahn
Bob Gershon	Max Teeter
James Earp, Mgr.	

The girls' after-school volleyball tournament will open this week. Lists of team members, each with not more than twelve girls, should be turned in to Miss Fairchild as soon as possible. Persons who are not on teams but who desire to play should see their gym instructor for placement on a squad. Gail Gooodrich is senior volleyball manager.

Mary Alice Nelson thanks Mary Louise Vess heartily for all the gum she generously contributed during the basketball season.

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## Seniors Announce Graduation Plans

The contest for the selection of a graduation theme, which ended yesterday, was sponsored by the senior business committee and the faculty advisory committee. The winner, as yet unannounced, will receive as a prize a free ticket admitting one couple to the senior prom.

Trying to deviate from former customs, the committee decided to have student speakers for the commencement program. The first tryouts, to be held April 1 for the selection of speakers, are open to all graduating seniors, whether they are enrolled in public speaking or not. The final tryouts will be held Friday, April 14. Five speakers will be chosen and later the list will be narrowed down to three.

Contestants must write their own orations, which should be limited to approximately 7 minutes for delivery. The judges will be the faculty advisory committee, consisting of Mr. Bourrette, Miss Lash, Mr. Miner, Mr. Van Horne, and the speakers' committee, composed of Charles Averill, Jane Riche, and Jack Miller.

Graduation exercises will be held June 7 in the Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium. Because of the limited seating capacity, admittance will be by ticket only. These tickets may be enclosed with the graduation invitations.

The senior prom will be held in the ballroom of the Hotel Continental immediately after the commencement exercises. Girls may invite servicemen with the consent of the Advisory committee.

Senior day will be Friday May 29, two weeks before the close of school. The annual awards will be presented to the outstanding seniors in an assembly, after which Heralds will be distributed.

#### Fellowship Group Formed

"The Early Morning Fellowship," a new club sponsored by Miss Grube and Miss Trotter, meets at 8:30 o'clock every Wednesday morning in room 120. Eunice Nicoll is president; Ralph Krom, vice-president; Harlan Kilmer, song leader, and Marilyn Orr, secretary. Each high school has one of these groups, which sponsor a radio program the first Saturday in each month over KCKN at 8:05 o'clock. All Westporters are cordially invited to attend the meetings of this group.

Emma K. Schuler, who has been chosen managing editor of the Crier, is a member of the Honor Society. She is one of the staff members admitted to the Quill and Scroll society this year. Her appointment as managing editor was determined by the quantity and quality of the material that she has produced for publication in The Crier.

Dorothy Cunningham, a junior, has made up the work she missed while absent on account of illness and her name has been added to last semester's honor roll.

## Lots of Laughs in 'Nothing But the Truth'

"Nothing but the Truth," a comedy in three acts, by James Montgomery is a play full of humorous situations and laughable lines.

Joe Fichter is cast in the lead as Robert Bennett who is sworn to tell the absolute truth for twenty-four hours. Joicie Rule, leading lady, will be Gwendolyn Ralston who brings about complications by lending Bob money.

Ed Davis will play the part of Gwendolyn's father, a big stock market broker. In his office Ed has two assistants and an investor, played by Don Butler, Jimmie Littrell, and Tom Doty. Lois Stillwell, Kathryn McKim, and Beverly Van Bibber enter and complicate matters still further. Rita Jean Terry, as Mrs. Ralston, and Barbara Owen, Gwendolyn's friend, add excitement and charm to the plot.

Miss Keeler reports that the members of the cast are cooperative and responsive and rehearsals are progressing nicely.

The play will be presented Friday and Saturday nights, March 31 and April 1.

A prize of \$2 will be awarded to the club that sells the largest number of tickets.

The Stage and Screen club, under the direction of Mr. King, is decorating the set. Jerome Mandl is student assistant and Lester Brakenberry, prompter.

## Herald Sale to Start Next Monday

The advanced sale of copies of the 1944 Herald will begin Monday, March 28, in the homerooms. Only 125 books will be available in addition to those reserved for owners of activity tickets. Applications already received from students who failed to buy activity tickets indicate that the demand for the annuals will exceed the supply.

The price of the yearbook is \$2. To accommodate those who cannot pay in full, a deposit of 50 cents will be accepted, but the balance must be paid on or before May 1. A special ticket will be issued when payments are completed.

Activity tickets and the tickets issued to cash buyers must be presented when the annuals are distributed on senior day, May 26. Duplicates to replace lost activity or special tickets will be sold in room 4 for 25 cents after May 1.

Purchasers of activity tickets who have left school may claim their Heralds by bringing tickets on senior day or sending them with a written order for delivery to the bearer. Heralds will not be mailed unless tickets are presented, together with the cost of postage.

Jack Morton, Herald editor, and Richard White have completed the designs for the first section and the layout of the entire book has been planned. In originality and excellence of workmanship the 1944 yearbook will rank among the finest annuals published by the school in recent years.

## Why Aren't More on the Honor Roll?

Why aren't more students on the honor roll? Why do some make the honor roll only once during six or eight semesters in high school?

"Neglects work frequently; Prepares work carelessly"-these two deficiencies mentioned on the reports of unsatisfactory work tell the whole story. In other words, scholastic honors cannot be won by laggards or students who are unwilling to stick to the job.

Hard work is the price that must be paid for every prize that is worth winning. A place on the honor roll, then, is the reward for persistence.

A small percentage of our pupils are honestly doing their best and still cannot quite reach the goal. For these nothing can be done until their minds mature enough to grasp more of the knowledge that is offered them. Later they will profit from the mental habits they have formed.

It is not the purpose of the honor roll to confer distinction on a few. Its chief aim is to set up standards that can be attained by the pupil of average ability who desires to make the most of a wonderful opportunity. Those who grasp this opportunity have made a fine start on the road to success.

## It Sez Here

The senior party went off with a bang! Even the juniors who were there agree with this statement. Incidentally, we wonder what Bradley Sells and Tim O'Leary were doing with all those "ice cream tickets" they had. Or are we kidding? Jack Morton was so busy taking "angle" shots he hardly had time to enjoy the party. No! Not that kind of angles, kiddies, but the kind you take with a camera.

In case some are wondering whether Don Butler is trying to hide his face, or something, with that moustache he is cultivating, there is a motive behind it (the moustache). It's a necessary part of his makeup for the play. It sure grows fast, doesn't it? Do you use hair tonic or something of the sort, Don?

Right here and now we pay tribute to all those industrious students who worked or are working so hard at the recreation center. Dean Melton and Bob Zucco insist that no one will ever know how clean the place is now unless he had seen it before the clean-up started. Dust flew in all directions with Gloria Sackmann and Verna Murfin behind those brooms. It's too bad we all couldn't have had our pictures in the paper like Jean and Emma.

Now that the prize fights (pardon us, boxing matches) are over, we wonder where Riche, Church, Mueller, and Golding will go after school.

The second hour gym class has some novel ideas for parties. They just send someone over to Klee's to get cokes and candy for all, and then they spend the rest of the hour drinking them and talking.

Marion Hammond has a good idea for the recreation center. He thinks we should use the same name, the 3925 Club, and say "reopened under new management, with more machines." Maybe he has something at that.

Pundits are going around with worried looks on their faces, repeating to themselves, "What shall I write, what shall I write?" The cause of their worry is the contest sponsored by Pundit. Each girl has to hand in a short story, a poem, or an essay. However, the deadline is Friday, so you won't hear their moaning much longer.

Gladys Morgan wants to start a club, entitled "All Alone and Lonely." Well, Gladys, you probably could get plenty of members. Maybe you could get a corresponding male organization. How about that?

Delmar Burton's red plaid socks are the envy of all his friends. Too bad more boys don't have "steadies" to buy their socks.

The school in general (anyway, some of us) bemoan the absence of Jack Summerwell. Jack claims he has business, or did he say binnis. (To the uninformed reader, there is a great deal of difference between the two. You can figure it out for yourself, or else ask some high and mighty SENIOR.)

Well, that is all for now, kids. For more chatter, see "Under the Clock." P. S. In case you didn't recognize it, that was a plug.

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#### SCHEDULE ARRANGED FOR HERALD PHOTOS

Members of clubs will meet in the auditorium on the specifed dates this week and next to have pictures made for the Herald. Promptness in assembling will assure a better picture and a shorter time to have it taken.

Every club must have made at least its initial payment for the picture. The time limit for full payment has been extended to March 31.

The tentative schedule below will be followed as closely as possible. Announcements will be made also in the homeroom notices.

Wednesday, March 22 - Hi-Y, Latin

club. Thursday, March 22—Honor Society. Friday, March 24—W-club, Circulo Calderon.

Monday—March 28—Clay, Irving. Tuesday, March 29—Speech Arts. A different schedule will be arranged for groups not mentioned above.

#### TH'S DAY IN HISTORY

This day in 1775, Patrick Henry made his famous speech containing the challenge "Give me liberty, or give me death!" to the second revolutionary convention of Richmond, Va.

Two years ahead of schedule, in 1941, the operation of the Grand Coulee Dam began.

Robert Andrews Millikan, physicist, was awarded the Nobel Prize in physics in 1923.

Contest winners in all of the high schools were guests at a tea Sunday in the Art Institute.

## The Superintendent Says-

#### To My High School Friends:

"Streamlining Your Proncuns" was the title of an interesting talk I heard the other day. The speaker, who is the executive secretary of the world's largest service club movement, said that in the process through which, in the exemplification of service, "they" becomes "you," "you" becomes "we" and "we" becomes "I," an appreciation of our individual responsibility is first realized and then finally expressed. How true!

How frequently we hear the expression, "Why don't they do something about it?" Whom do we mean by "they"? The other person, of course; or several "other persons." In becoming more interested and concerned about desirable changes, we next attack the problem a bit more specifically and ask, "Why don't they do something about it?" Still unrealized is our share of personal responsibility that first finds recognition when we speak of "we." "We" includes ourselves. That knowledge may be as startling as was the fact that he had answered correctly the question, asked of the class, "Name two pronouns," when a freshman the other day inquired, uncertain of his responsibility, "Who, me?"

"Who, me?" is, after all, the secret of it all. "Me" becomes "I" and when "I" become interested in the correction of this or that, whatever it may be but always of vital concern to high school students, change and improvement are likely to occur.

So when we find fault with things as they are and after considering the situation in its true light, let us not glibly ask, "Why don't they do some-thing about it?" Let's not ask either, "Why don't you do something about it?" Let's ask of each other, "What can we do about it?" and of ourselves, "What can I do about it?" Let's "streamline our pronouns" in the cause of service. When the full realization of responsibility of personal service comes to every high school student, and that realization is expressed in terms of personal contribution, then and only then can it be said of each of us that we are doing our part.

Let's all remember:

- "If you would go to the kind of a school
- That's the kind of a school you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip

And go on a long, long hike.

- You'll only find what you've left behind
- There's nothing that's really new-It's a kick at yourself when you knock your school

## **Red Cross Council**



Standing, left to right, Rosemarie Crowder, William Garrett, David Houghland. Seated, left to right, Barbara Bain, Elaine Worcester.

## WESTPORT CONTRIBUTES \$1,309.30 TO RED CROSS

Contributions to the Red Cross by Westporters totaled \$1,309.30 when the campaign closed Monday afternoon. Gifts from various sources were: Pupils-Junior Red Cross mem-

berships Senior Red Cross member-ships \$434.50 220.30 \$654.80 Total

Total Teachers, custodians, cafeteria employees 504.20 employees Appropriations by Junior Red Cross by Red Cross Council: To Junior Red Cross..... To Senior Red Cross.....

 $25.00 \\ 25.00$ 

Grand total .....\$1,309.30 The boys in Mr. Shepherd's home room topped the list of Junior Red Cross contributors with gifts totaling \$62.98, averaging more than \$1 for each of the fifty-four pupils.

To add realism to the drive for funds, one of Mr. Shepherd's boys posed as a badly battered soldier on the war front. With an arm and a leg in splints and his head bandaged, he was exhibited as a specimen of efficient Red Cross service.

It isn't your school-it's you!

- Real schools are not made by those afraid
- Lest somebody else gets ahead,

For if everyone works and nobody shirks

You can raise a school from the dead, And if you will make it your personal stake

Your neighbor will make it his too-Your school will be what you want it to be-

It isn't your school-it's YOU!"

Faithfully yours, HEROLD C. HUNT

## SERVICEMEN HONORED BY RED CROSS GIFTS

Each pupil in Mr. Banister's home room who gave \$1 to the Red Cross had the privilege of dedicating his donation to a man or woman in the service. This is the list of persons who contributed at least \$1 and those whom they honored:

Gene Brock-A. C. Lee Brock. Alice Whipple-App. Seaman Mar-

Alice Whip) shall Harrison. Alfred Zebel-Pvt. Lovern, Snow,

Army Orville Anderson-Pfc, Harry An-

derson, Army. Harland Kilmer-1st Lt. Donald Alexander, Marines.

Leonard Molotsky-Sgt. Sol Molots-

ky, Army. Charles Mullis—PO 2/c Glenn Clem-ens, Seabees. Betty Jo Hardman—Cpl. Richard Minter, Air Corps.

Robert Jones-2nd Lt. Floyd Jones,

Army. Mary Jane McCord-2nd Lt. Fred Boulder, Army,

Clarence Zink-Cadet Warren Bright, Navy.

Charles Graves - Cpt. Oliver Brown, Marines. George Schroer-Frank Schroer, Alr

Corps. Ray Williams—S1/c Joe Williams. Robert Sturgeon—Pfc. Pat Ryan. Army. Bob Bevan-2nd Lt, Edward Pazen,

Army Richard Peters-Lt. Harold Peters,

Navy. Bob Gillesple — Master Sgt. Nell O'Connor, Army. Barbara Gordon-Sgt. Charles Tay-

bar Army, condon Sgc Charty Penning-Lindy Pennington—Arthur Penning-ton, Seabees, Fred Heim—S 2/c Mike Sherry, Lamar Hazen—Sgt, Fred Collins, Ma-

rines.

Twenty-two of the twenty-nine members of the class, gave \$1 each. The total sum collected was \$23.25. Since the first of the school year these pupils have bought \$1,697.45 worth of War Bonds and Stamps.

## Boyle Gives Closeup of War in Interview

Hal Boyle, the well known foreign correspondent, was interviewed March 14 by reporter representatives from each high school paper.

Mr. Boyle, just back from sixteen months overseas in the Mediterranean area, was an A.P. representative in the Moroccan, Tunisian, Algerian, Sicilian and Italian campaigns. He was strafed twice by Messerschmitts, bombed a number of times and crawled within 300 yards of Cassino under mortar fire of the enemy, but he considers these perils just another phase of a correspondent's life.

Graduated in 1928 from Central high as feature editor of the Central Luminary, he received high acclaim as the most brilliant staff member that the Luminary ever had. While studying at Junior College he worked as A.P. copy boy at the Star. After graduating from M. U. in 1932, he finally reached the position of assistant editor of one of the leading New York newspapers. At the outbreak of the African campaign he was sent to Morocco to cover the fighting. He just has returned from Italy and hopes to go back to London for the opening of the spring invasion.

In discussing the work of the Red Cross, Boyle said that its influence was found in every activity of overseas life, and stated "The Red Cross is like an iceberg. The greater part of the work is under the surface," showing there is more service done by the Red Cross than is realized here.

Living standards in Tunisa were bad, he stated but in the present Italian campaign conditions are much improved. Men are better cared for, and the food is good.

Boyle intimated that soldiers have little sympathy for strikers at home, and for the most part were indifferent about the soldier vote bill, having the vital issue of life or death on their minds instead. "Most soldiers are more interested in post-war world problems than in present-day current events, inasmuch as they hope this catastrophe will not again occur."

He believes that many pro-Axis Italians still survive, and that an underground Fascist movement continues. In discussing the German cutlook, Mr. Boyle said that after four and a half years of fighting, the German soldier remains loyal and although he believes he may not win the war, he is convinced that Allied troops will never set foot on the soil of Germany.

Ending the press conference, he concluded, "The mail is the important factor in upholding the morale of the soldier, so make it a point to send letters "to him" regularly

## Under the Clock

We are very much afraid that winning the Herald cover design contest has done something to Donna Rapier. She recently admitted putting a door between a key and a lock!

We hereby take notice of Norma Kindsvater's little sister, Donna, who seems to be quite active in freshman affairs.

Margaret Ekholm wants it known that "Bowwowskyburger" is only one of her many titles.

Jimmy McClelland proved to be quite a window washer recently.

Some mighty harmonious singing was heard down near room 204 the other day when Mr. Chubb was late. There's some talent agoin' to waste in the W club.

This year's cutest couple, in our estimation, is Johnnie Wagner and his motorcycle.

Shirley Nikles delights in looking for symptoms of thorax lumbar, sacrum scoliosis, or curvature of the spine. In fact, she'll settle for fallen arches.

We hesitate to say this, but Helen Dodds and Keith Chader are getting along fine now. They'll probably not be speaking to each other when this comes out, but that's a chance we'll have to take.

Pat White has decided that simplicity is the best style after all. She no longer ornaments her sweaters with pins, ribbons or other superfluous decorations.

Eddy Myers has become quite the king of the boxing matches with his "rivet-style" and those "knock-out" blows.

Pat Goudie wants everyone to know that Kenneth Benjamin Kirby, '43, (in the Navy) is now stationed in Florida and will be home for a "little visit" soon.

Seems like a lot of studes were anxious to do a little housecleaning at the new "Tiger Den" when they heard the Star would take their pictures.

Jacqueline Baltis, now a sophomore, has lost her rank. She is no longer the smallest person in school.

Colleen Dollison is sporting a diamond ring, third finger, left hand. Bob Schowengerdt is the lucky man. Joan Grosse has been singing "Somebody Loves Me" for quite a while, but now she adds "I Wonder Who?"

The seniors earnestly hope that Mr. Van Horne is straight on the facts about graduation. They're not.

It seems as if Jimmy Earp was finally "hooked." Nice work, Elaine!

Eddy Milliken has that "wanderlust" again.

Tom Burdett is our nomination for best personality in "48."

You may think that Cherie Shipley is a poetess, but just wait till you hear her latest.

Tim O'Leary and Jimmy Abott didn't have anything to do Saturday morning until they learned that they were wanted to scrub floors, then they suddenly remembered they had to work.

After being the only boy in the third hour shorthand class during the entire year, Chester Bennett still is unbelieveably alive and kicking.

Isn't it coincidental that so many of the students who posed at the junior mixer as juniors also claimed to be seniors at the senior mixer?

A little item we stole from the exchanges:

"I love the paper, I think it's swell, When it comes out I rush pell-mell To get a copy. I read each line

The stories and columns, I think they are fine,

I read all the ads, I note all the news, I take up all the fads.

When I praise the paper I scorn all who laugh,

I'm really quite loyal, I'm one of the Staff."

How true! How true!

Some of the teachers have received the mistaken impression that the students have given up gum for the duration. The truth of the matter is that they have given up gum for Lent.

What's all this talk about people being characters from the funny papers? It seems that Polly Tucker is Marryin' Sam, Beverly Burnett is Donald Duck, Ann Gilliat is Little Orphan Annie, Barbara Butler is Hairless Joe, and Gloria Sackmann is Wonder Woman.

## Students Thrilled by Assembly Address

In a direct and appealing talk to the pupils, the Rev. Michael Coleman, D.D., speaker in assembly last Thursday, held his audience spellbound for over forty-five minutes while relating his experiences in London during the blitz of 1940. He particularly impressed the student body with his informal manner, keen humor, and understanding of the American people.

Pointing out that the history of the United States has been short but brilliant, covering a period of less than 200 years, Dr. Coleman briefly sketched the history of Great Britain, which extends back over 2,000 years. His church, destroyed in the Battle of Britain by Nazi bombs, was built by the Saxons from the rocks of a Roman wall on top of the Roman ruins of an ancient beauty parlor. Before this the spot had been the sight of a pagan temple.

Citing examples of British humor, he pointed out the differences and similarities he finds in the British and American peoples, and ended his talk with an inspiring appeal for the youth to go into service for God and mankind.

Miss Louise Hatch, counselor, was mistress of ceremonies. The A Cappella choir sang the "Lord's Prayer," and the whole audience joined in the singing of "God of Our Fathers."

Dr. Coleman is the vicar of All Hallows church near the Tower of London. He is conducting a mission at the Grace and Holy Trinity cathedral.

#### Seniors Sound Praises of PTA for Sponsoring Party

Lustily singing marching war songs of the day, the seniors opened their party March 14 with a grand march. Swing music by a five-piece band, sent out by the recreation department of the city, provided music for dancing. Marjorie Walthall sang "I Heard You Cry Last Night," and Katherine McKim, "Do I Love You?"

Les Warren of the city recreation department was master of ceremonies and there was not a dull moment. Sally Morehead, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Van Horne, Mr. King, Miss Lash, Mr. Shepherd, Miss Huhn and Miss Bonney were among those present. Miss Small had charge of the gym.

It was a swell party and the 250 students who participated were loud in their praise of the PTA. Ice cream was served during intermission.

This was the last of the class parties sponsored by the PTA. The student body says, "Thanks a million to the mothers who worked so hard to make these gatherings successful."

#### Last Film in Art Gallery Series to Be Shown April 15

The last of the series of motion pictures sponsored by the Nelson Art Gallery primarily for the benefit of high school students will be shown April 15.

"Seven Pearls of the Crown," a historical picture is scheduled for March 25. "Rembrandt," starring Charles Laughton and Gertrude Lawrence will be presented April 1 and on April 8, a technicolor feature entitled "Williamsburg" will be shown. This picture is set in the eighteenth century and follows the daily life of a well-to-do cabinet maker from the time he arises until he retires.

The last picture is called "Song of China." It was made in China and all of the dialogue is in Chinese with English sub-titles. It goes back three generations in a cultured Chinese family and shows their growth and development down to modern times.

#### Stamp Sales Reach New High, Then Drop to 87 Per Cent

War stamp sales last Wednesday dropped to 87 per cent, a decline of 5 per cent from the record high attained March 8.

"If homercoms having below 40 per cent participation would make an effort to raise their record, the whole school would benefit by being able to claim the Minute Man flag," said Miss Gales. She added that she was much disappointed that these few homercoms are holding Westport back.

A War Stamp mixer will be held soon in the girls' gym, when the prizes won in the slogan contest will be awarded. The date for the party will be announced later.

#### Girl Reserves Hold Conference

Phoebe Matchett, Glenna Branstetter, Ometa Seiglin, and Marjorie Weibolt were representatives from Westport at the annual Girl Reserves' tri-city conference held March 4.

Each spring, representatives from all the Girl Reserve groups in St. Joseph, Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kans., meet for an all-day conference in order to plan the work for the coming year.

Held this year at the Y.W.C.A. in Kansas City, Mo., the theme was "I See a Future."

Ometa Seiglin led the worship service. Miss Louise Hatch, counselor, conducted a discussion on "Our Spiritual Heritage."

Although the shorthand book says Sir Hubert Wilkins typed on his subnarine, Connie Barry insists that it is more practical to type on a typewriter.

### ENGLISH LIT CLASS FORMS DISCUSSION CLUB

Something new has been added to Mr. Ward's seventh hour English literature class—a discussion club. On alternate Fridays the class participates in a debate on a topic suggested at the last meeting.

So far, two questions have been discussed. The first was "Is wealth or poverty a better environment for the production of great literature?" and the second, "Have modern inventions added to the happiness of the human race?"

These discussions give the members of the class an opportunity to develop their opinions by their own thinking and by that of their classmates and to express these opinions.

The only drawback is the lack of sufficient time to discuss the questions as completely as the class would desire. Both discussions have been interrupted by the bell when they were at their liveliest.

Thanks go to Fred Heim for proposing the organization of this club.

#### RESERVES TO "OUTFIT SUZANNE" AS RELIEF PROJECT

"Outfitting Suzanne," a clothing relief project sponsored by the Girl Reserves, will start today, March 22, and run until April 5.

Wearing apparel will be sent to refugees and war sufferers all over the world, and will be distributed to the needy in the United States.

Clothing in good condition and suitable for use by men, women or children is solicited. Shoes, bedclothing, towels, rugs, soap, toilet articles, sewing materials, toys in good condition, games and athletic equipment is also badly needed.

New members of the Jules Guerin Art Club are Donna Ashlock, Joned Billings, Bill Carter, Marian Clement, Edmund Fink, Betty Fluke, Maxine Harris, Billie Jean Henkel, Mary Elizabeth Parry, Helen Shepherd, Barbara Stacy, and Beverly Thomas.

The masterpiece of the week is a pen and ink sketch of Betty Oakes done by Julia Parkins, commercial art 6.

Pupils in the careers classes visited the Manor Bakery Monday, March 13. Fascinated Westporters watched with awe the entire process of bread making, from the time the yeast was dissolved until the bread was wrapped mechanically and sealed in wax paper. After observing with interest the baking of cinnamon rolls and the mixing of fruit hermits, rolls and cakes were served to the pupils. Seeing horses shoed was a new experience to some. These horses furnish the motive power for delivery trucks.

## 15 Westporters Place in Scholastic Contest

Niles Dixon, a sophomore, and Alice Whipple, a senior, captured nine places for Westport in the Regional Scholastic Art Exhibit. Niles placed in four different fields of art-oil, water color, ceramics and drawing inks. Alice placed three times in fashion illustration, in which she specializes. Her other prize was in water color. Richard White won two places in water color.

Fifteen Westport students were awarded twenty-three places. This is a good percentage of the total regional winnings since all of the Kansas City high schools participated and there were many representatives from outlying towns.

#### This is the list of winners:

#### \*Honorable Mention.

Winners of the first, second, and third prizes were awarded keys by Dr. Herold C. Hunt in a ceremony March 11 at the Little Theater of the Municipal Auditorium. Certificates of merit were also presented by Dr. Hunt to the winners of Honorable Mention.

#### Awards Available to Juniors

The fourteenth annual National Institute for High School Students will open June 26 at Northwestern University. Courses in journalism, debates, public speaking, dramatics, and radio will be offered in two sessions. The four-weeks journalism session will last until July 22 and the second session, devoted to speech, will be from July 24 to August 26. Membership awards are available to high school juniors who have good grades and who have shown special interest and ability in one or more of the fields covered by the Institute.

Guest speaker at the last meeting of Circuto Calderon was Alfonso Alferado-Berg from the Mexican consulate. He spoke on the history of Mexico, its part in the war, and what Mexicans think of the U.S. Nancy Barnes played the piano and Verna Lee Murfin sang "Besame mucho."

## Scholastic Award Winners



## Up and Down the Corridors

Assembly reporters for the last assembly were Doris Heerwald and Nancy Barnes.

Richard White did the printing on the poster for the graduation themes.

Marybelle Wright, a senior, participated in a play on the Junior Red Cross broadcast over WDAF March 13.

The second year Spanish classes have completed a study of Chile. They are studying the geography and the people of each Latin American country in order to bring about a more perfect understanding of our South American neighbors.

Mr. Steeper's American history classes have been having "heated" open discussions about world problems.

In the oration contest sponsored by the Clay club, Sherry Holland will represent Pundit, Tom Doty, Irving, and Stuart Talcroft, Clay. Promethean has not yet decided upon their entry.

Eleven new members were admitted to Pundit at its last meeting. They are Francis Hahn, Gustava Swanson, Betty Hazen, Pat White, Marguerite Sherman, Ann Gilliat, Virginia Palmer, Annabel Hurley, Nancy Billings, Donna Kindsvater and Beverly Burnett.

We extend our sincere sympathy to alumnus Hobart Michael whose father died recently.

The woodworking classes have completed a bedside table for the Health Center

Dorothie Kirk is a new student from Kirksville, Mo.

Reports based on books and articles in current magazines are being made by Mr. King's psychology classes. These talks have been on such subjects as "How Our Senses Deceive Us," "Color Blindness," and "Work in Institutions for the Insane."

Officers in Miss Gales' sixth hour civics are Nancy Akin, president; Tommy Davis, vice-president; Doris Hayden, secretary; Phyllis Roberts, sergeant-at-arms; Colleen Farrell, parliamentarian; Teddy Gwertz, host; Addie Jacobs, hostess; and Mary Louise Vess, Crier reporter.

In senate type debates with Rockhurst, Jack Miller and Edla Carlson upheld the negative case, and Stuart Talcroft and Sheryl Holland supported the affirmative.

New members of the Irving Club accepted at the last meeting were Eddie Jacobson, John Irwin, Bruce Sproull, LaMarr Hazen, Dick Peters, Charles Hersberg, and Jack Long.

Mrs. Kaylor, a substitute teacher. has charge of Miss James' classes in cooking. Miss James is recovering slowly from the effects of a fall in her home in January. Mrs. Kaylor, formerly Miss Marguerite Armour, was a member of the faculty before her marriage.

Rex Strunk, who tied with Jimmie Rownd for the record number of pushups, broke their record by doing 500.

Mr. Shearer has presented the library with three autographed copies of "Elementary Meteorology," the physiography textbook which he wrote in collaboration with two other authors.

## Community Center to Open March 30

Boys with mops and girls with sponges and brooms worked fast and furiously at the Westport Community Center Saturday to remove the dust and dirt that had accumulated during five years of vacancy.

The walls are ready to be painted now and will be decorated by art students under Miss Beck's supervision.

Candy, pop, and ice cream will be sold at a snack bar. Other items will be added as the project grows.

The opening night will be Thursday, March 30. One of the leading broadcasting companies will-broadcast the program for fifteen minutes. Inquiries that are pouring in from all parts of the country indicate this center will be the pattern for many others.

After reading an article in the Star in regard to plans for establishing the center, Herbert Patt, '19, sent a check for \$25 to Miss Lilly to be used to meet expenses. Other donations have come in from merchants of the Westport district.

Three committees have been appointed to cooperate with Miss Sally Morehead in running the center. They are, (1) House-Administration Committee which will take care of the furnishings and rules. (2) The Program Committee which will provide the games and entertainment. (3) The Finance Committee will take care of the admission charges and the running of the snack bar.

The House-Administration Committee has adopted these rules:

 No swearing or any misbehavior.
 No drinking on the premises or any evidence before entering.

 (3) Membership will be limited to teen-age residents of the Westport district but visitors are welcomed if accompanied by a Westporter.

Public speaking classes soon will start their radio project. Using original scripts, the students, singly or in groups of two, three, four or five, will broadcast programs from five to twenty minutes in length from room 115 to room 5. Complete with everything making up a radio show, these programs will have sound effects, music, etc., furnished by the pupils themselves.

Many a failure turns about

- When he might have won had he stuck it out.
- Don't give up though you may seem slow;
- You may succeed with yet another blow,
- So stick it out when you're hardest hit.
- It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit. -Ex.

#### FOUR FACULTY MEMBERS HAVE SONS IN ARMED SERVICES

Four faculty members have sons in the armed services.

Millard (Mak) Hemenway Keenan, graduate of Rockhurst high school, is in the Army Transport Command, Ferry Division. It is his duty to deliver planes to Alaska and the Aleutians.

Lieut. William G. Means, Southwest, has received his navigator's wings and is expected to complete his advanced pilot training April 13 at Altus, Ok.

William Holloway, Southwest, Army Air Corps, Ambulance Division, is stationed in England. In the Navy is Ensign Robert Holloway, Southwest, somewhere in the Scuth Pacific.

Cpl. Eugene Shearer, '41, Marine Corps, is taking advanced radar training in Corpus Christi, Tex.

John N. Booth, Jr., '41, is scheduled to receive his pilot's wings and commission April 13 at Pampa, Tex., where he is completing his advanced training.

Staff Sgt. John L. Shouse, Jr., '24, is serving in the headquarters office of the Military Police Division.

#### TYPING AWARDS

Typing awards were awarded to the following pupils: 50, Jeannie Whitney, Marybelle Wright, Alvin Roush; 40, Elizabeth Davis, Joy Sandstredt, Edla Carlson, Ione Conley; 30, Constance Barry, Gwendolyn Fry, Lucilley Martin, Norma Luetjen, Evelyn Stout, Delores Bales, Marilyn Mc-Henry, Nancy Sappenfield, Eleanore Boyer, Colleen Dollison, Mary Taylor, Virginia Dobbe; 20, Betty Osborn, Pat Andurs, Elenore Boyer, Alice Byrne, Theresa Maloney, Rene Sutoris, Shirley Engelhardt.

Mr. King's public speaking classes have been invited to write scripts for broadcasting for the annual campaign against diphtheria sponsored by the Jackson County Medical Society, the city health department, the health and physical education department of the public schools and the Visiting Nurses Association. These will consist of 15minute playlets or episodes. The broadcasts will begin April 1, and will be continued throughout the month.

Gail Goodrich was elected president, Josephine Miller, vice president, and Betty Taff, secretary-treasurer at a recent meeting of the Honor Society. The officers were selected from those who held silver honor pins. Students who have been on the honor roll twice in succession are eligible for membership in the society.

## British Schools Carry On During Blitz

"English boys and girls are much like American children of the same age," said Dr. Michael Coleman in an interview with two Crier reporters last week.

British youth undoubtedly have developed some slight abnormalities, he explained, after experiencing the horrors of air raids and bombings and four years of restricted living while separated from their families. On the whole, however, they are remarkably normal, considering all they have endured.

"Some entire schools in the cities have been transported to the suburbs, many have been destroyed, but in spite of hardships, our educational system has carried on with high efficiency."

Because of the bombings and the constant threat of invasion all English children are engaged in some kind of voluntary service. Necessity forces them to accept many responsibilities that American youth have not been called upon to assume.

All women enter branches of the government service comparable to our WACS, WAVES or SPARS, when they reach the age of 19.

In his 20 minutes conversation with the reporters Dr. Coleman answered all of their questions fully and frankly, again exhibiting the same vivid, delightful personality that endeared him to the student body in his address the same morning.

#### TWO GRADS NARROWLY ESCAPE DEATH ON WAR FRONT

Cpl. Herbert Bedsworth, '41, a Marine, narrowly escaped death when a 132-pound bomb exploded near his tent on Guadalcanal. One of the men who shared his tent was killed and the other was severely wounded in the leg. Corporal Bedsworth made a tourniquet with his bayonet and a towel to stop his companion's loss of blood until he could be removed to a first aid station.

His tent was full of holes and there were fifteen holes in his mosquito netting.

Lt. Marvin D. Anderson, '36, Army Air Corps navigator on the Spirt of '44, also had a thrilling experience.

Three times the crew of the fortress prepared for a crash landing, smashing their bombsight. The gunners put on their walking shoes and divided their cigarettes. But they landed safely at a United States bomber base in England on two engines, with 250 bullet holes and ten Nazi fighters to their credit.

## Among our Servicemen

Pfc. Ted Liebetrau, '43, has just finished his basic training at Jefferson Barracks and expects to start special training soon as a gunner.

Arthur Runkel, F2/c, '42, in the Navy, is stationed somewhere in England.

Lt. James E. Seibel, '37, has been reported killed in action during a raid over Germany. He was the navigator-bomber in a Flying Fortress based in England and was reported missing February 12. After leaving Westport, Seibel attended K. U.

Dick Sejnost, '43, has been transferred from Park College to U.C.L.A., in the Navy R.O.T.C.

Lt. Leonard E. Klamser, '38, an instructor of teachers at Randolph Field, Texas, visited the school recently.

Willis Alexander, '40, who was awarded the distinguished service honor in Stage and Screen when he was graduated, has just returned, after twelve months in the South Pacific with the Seabees. Alexander was one of five who were chosen to return for V-12 training at Northwestern University. While visiting the school recently he spoke to Mr King's vocations classes.

A/c Max Casler, '43, has been transferred from Houghton, Mich., to the Santa Ana Army Air Base in California for pre-flight training.

Bob Lowary, '43, stationed in the Navy at Norman, Okla., has been released from the hospital after two weeks of illness.

George Bernsteen, aerographer third class, spoke to the WIG's on "The Japs at the Beginning of the War and the Japs Now" at the meeting March 8. Bernsteen has spent two years in the South Pacific area. This afternoon sound films are being shown on "Everybody's War" and "Winning Your Wings."

Sgt. Jack Kinchle, son of Charles L. Hunter, custodian on the first floor, recently sent his father an ink stand made of Australian wood. Kinchle has been in the service two years, and is now stationed in the South Pacific.

A recent visitor was Hobart Michael, '42, Hospital Apprentice Second Class, stationed at San Francisco.

Pvt. Bob Milligan, '41, is stationed at Miami University, Oxford, O.

## See Them in "Nothing But the Truth"



#### SENIOR CAGE TEAM ON TOP AT END OF SEASON

The girls' intramural basketball tournament was concluded last week with the Senior A team definitely perched on top with four victories and no defeats. The scrap between the Senior B's and the Juniors was a tight contest for second place. The Juniors had to overcome a large first period lead and the game went into overtime before they eked out their victory. The Sophomores and Freshmen finished in that order.

Miss Fairchild has given the All-Star rating, equal to a letter, to the following players:

Marguerite Sherman, Norma Kindsvater, Paula Julius, Betty Golding, Martha Sharpsteen, Betty Taff, Joan Hood, and Shirley Frederickson, forwards; Gail Goodrich, Josephine Miller, Betty Rea, Jean Fleck, Betty Bedford, Barbara Taff, Margo Brazier and Charmaine Gile, guards.

Four days after his graduation in June, '38, Chartlet Brown Day, Jr., enlisted in the navy. He was gunner's mate third class aboard the DeHaven when it was attacked by enemy dive bombers February 1, in the South Pacific. Several direct hits resulted in the sinking of his ship and his parents were notified that he was missing in action. Now he has been reported killed in action.

Six girls who are doing their bit are Louise Hobson, Doris DeFries, Evelyn Heller, Phyllis Landes, Betty Kent, and Genevieve Hunter. Every other Sunday they do Junior Red Cross work. On alternate Sundays, they bowl, skate, or go to the show. They have just completed four joke scrap books, and are hemming wash cloths for use in hospitals. The girls would appreciate jokes, cross-word puzzles, and stories from newspapers and magazines. Company "B" was selected as "Crack Company of the Week" ending March 10. So far, Company A has won the pennant twice, Company B once, and Company C once.

Cadets in the battalion have had some bayonet drill, which included enguard, long thrust, short thrust parry left and right, and a few of the other more used movements.

April 21 is the date set for the much planned R.O.T.C. ball and the music will be furnished by Earl Coleman and his band. The ball is scheduled to be the best and most successful dance of the year, as it has for the past few years.

The cadets have been practicing combat principles lately when the weather permitted. The first platoon has been acting as the advance guard, and the second platoon as support.

Two Westport students recently took part in a recital given by Miss Edna Forsythe and Mrs. Lois Black Hunt, at the William Rockhill Nelson Gallery. Mary Lou Hindman, a senior, played the piano, and Stanley Hoffman, a sophomore, played the violin. Also participating was Julia Doerschuk, '43, who played the piano.

Mary Jane McCord, a senior and captain of the cheerleaders, is the proud wearer of the silver pin, an award by the blood bank for three donations. On the pin is the inscription, "Pro Patria," meaning "for the sake of my native country."

Chief Hill of the Naval Recruiting Station will speak at the PTA meeting March 28 at 3 P. M. Mothers of senior boys 17 years old are especially urged to be present.

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## **Recreation Center Thronged at Opening**



## Actors Score Hit in Hilarious Comedy

"Nothing But the Truth," James Montgomery's hilarious comedy, fulfilled all predictions when it was presented last Friday and Saturday nights before responsive audiences. Splendid cooperation and coordination were evident as the play ran smoothly with the actors making every word count.

Joe Fichter as Bob Bennett, the reckless young broker who wagered that he would tell nothing but the truth for twenty-four hours, met the exacting requirements of this role admirably. He and Joicie who had the feminine lead made a grand couple.

Affable Ed Davis portrayed the grouchy old Mr. Ralston in a highly realistic manner quite in contrast with his personality rating.

Rita Terry as Mrs. Ralston was well suited to her role and her outbursts about her husband were well done.

Dan Butler and Jimmy Littrell, as Dick Donnelly and Clarence Van Dusen, Bob Bennett's smart associates, added spice to the action and the dialogue.

Mabel and Sabel Jackson, played by Lois Stilwell and Catherine McKim, turned in splendid performances as industrious gold digging chorines.

Tom Doty in the part of Bishop Doran could not have been better. He was especially good after he found that he had been swindled by Van Dusen.

## Herald Sales Boom As Deadline Nears

More than half of the 1944 Heralds which were offered for sale in the homerooms last week were taken the first day. Copies will be reserved for owners of activity tickets who have completed their payments and no more orders will be accepted after the remaining annuals are sold.

A cash deposit of 50 cents is required and tickets will be issued when payments are completed. The balance must be paid on or before May 1. Heralds that have been ordered but not paid for in full on that date will be resold. In such cases the initial payment will be refunded on demand.

Wednesday, April 12, is the deadline for all group photographs, so failure to keep appointments will be dangerous. Unless all photographs are in his hands April 15, the engraver cannot guarantee prompt delivery of the cuts to the printer and the yearbook might not be completed on senior day.

Barbara Owen, cast as Ethel Clark, displayed fine dramatic ability, but her singing and playing were terrible, as they were supposed to be!

Beverly Van Bibber should be complimented on her part as Martha.

Miss Keeler, director; Miss Wheeler, Jerome Mandl and Jerry Mc-Whirter, members of the production staff, deserve a hearty round of applause for their part in putting on a play that will live long in memory. Filled to overflowing with 600 excited guests, the Tiger Den was formally opened last Thursday night. It was a representative Westport crowd with parents, faculty members and students mingling in a spirit of comradeship and good feeling.

A fifteen-minute broadcast by KMBC with Gene Dennis as announcer was opened with the Westport yell, then Charles Frizzell, Emma Schuler, George Reasor and Jack Morton, were interviewed. They told how students had scrubbed, painted, varnished to get the place ready for occupancy. Also told how the programs were planned and how the finances were to be handled. City Manager Cookingham and Dr. Hunt were interviewed as to their reactions to the project. Both were loud in their praises of what had been done. Miss Sally Morehead explained how the club was started and paid tribute to Mrs. Carl Schuler and Mrs. J. J. Love for their part in making the project a success.

Dr. Richardson, director of the city welfare department, and Les Warren of the city recreational department, were present and so were Judge Cowan of the Juvenile Court, Mrs. Robert Dominick, president of the PTA Council, and Frank Backstrom, city councilman.

Everett Johnson, the boogie-woogie pianist, played several numbers, the Buffington sisters sang and tapped. Virginia Tribbey did an acrobatic number and Bob Jones of Southeast put on several tricks of magic. A quartet composed of Ted Witt, Earl Moon, Bob Kelly and James Newcomb sang several songs.

The snack bar was manned by Mr. Love and Mr. Schuler. It did a thriving business and was a most popular spot all evening.

All in all it was a swell affair. Those who had seen the place in the beginning were amazed at the transformation wrought by the students. Special mention should be given to the sewing classes for making the drapes and to Miss Beck's art classes for painting the beautiful murals, and posters which decorated the hall. Also for the patient understanding of Mr. Holloway and the teachers who cooperated wholeheartedly when already submerged with their own work.

Wanted-Mothers and fathers for chaperons at the Westport Center. This is very important. Call Mrs. Zucco, LO 7056 if you can volunteer.

## Pupils Must Keep Faith with Tiger Den Sponsors

Simulated by the successful launching of the "Tiger Den," several other schools are planning to undertake similar projects.

Because Westport pupils were the first to propose the establishment of the Westport-Roanoke recreation center and many of them worked willingly to renovate the present quarters and make the place attractive, it's up to them to set a pattern which other schools will be glad to follow in conducting their recreation centers.

The P.T.A. and other sponsors would feel badly let down if careless pupils should commit any petty acts of vandalism which would disfigure the room itself or damage the equipment. Questionable conduct by members will tend to discredit not only the "Tiger Den" but the entire student body.

Let's keep faith with the generous patrons of the school and the merchants in the Westport district who helped us start our recreation center. In keeping faith with them, we shall keep faith with all the students who hold membership cards.

## It Sez Here

With the opening of the Tiger Den Thursday, and the plays on Friday and Saturday, everyone seems to have had a full week end (and incidentally, a drowsy Monday). Speaking of the Tiger Den, almost anyone there could point to one section of wall or decoration and say with pride, "that's what really gives this place 'class.' I did it, of course."

To the cast of "Nothing But the Truth," we present our verbal orchids. It really was grand. The well known Westport Wolves displayed more than their usual enthusiasm when Lois Stilwell came in wearing that little "red" number. Well, fellows, we see your point at that!

From the student body at large comes this request to Don Butler-"please, oh please, get rid of that mustache."

Jean Suffill's green spotted saddle shoes weren't meant to start a fadthey're just the result of her labor at the Den. . . . Pat Gouchie's brown and white spotted legs were the result of an unfortunate combination of leg makeup and rain.

We've witnessed every type of "Boogie" dancing, and before that we suffered while our friends tried to "jitterbug," but Gladys Morgan's new routine to "Summit Ridge Drive" is about the greatest calamity that we've seen yet.

Grade cards once more are being prepared for the dusty files. Bill Harte did his best to impress his geometry teacher and obtain a good grade by claiming that a problem was easily proved because arcs are always parallel. And just think, Norma Kindsvater polished the apple by actually opening her books the day before the fateful Tuesday. Mr. Cutting cheers us all up by saying pessimistically, "You'll love summer school, and it only costs \$8."

We are all elated that Stu Talcroft miracuousy recovered from his facial inflammation, (see Webster's unabridged), and didn't have to go through with the scheduled facial amputation. Rumor has it that he stuck his face out the door just as opportunity knocked.

Mr. Miner and his boys pushed the skeleton aside and brought out the lights and the play announcement board from the closest, brightening up the west end of the front corridor with glamorous poses of pretty stars and dashing photos of handsome leading men from "Nothing But the Truth."

Now that you've read this bit of intellectual chatter, you can devote your time to our editorials and news stories, or at least, that's what it sez here.

#### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

During the month of April the Tenth Annual Diphtheria Immunization Campaign will be conducted through the joint efforts of the medical profession of Kansas City and the Department of Health.

Diphtheria, in Kansas City, appears to be on the increase.

It may be that a large number of children of families that have come to Kansas City for work in defense industries never have been immunized.

An effort should be made to extend this protection to pre-school children. Diphtheria is especially dangerous during the second and third year of life and every child should be immunized toward the end of his first year.

Parents are urged to consult their family physicians who are cooperating with the Health Department in administering diphtheria toxoid for a nominal charge of \$1 during the month of April.

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#### HOW TO WRITE AN ESSAY

- 1. Always leave it until the last minute.
- 2. Don't worry about the subject. Just write words.
- 3. Stick in as many adjectives, adverbs and articles as humanly possible.
- 4. Use as many big words as possible. Chances are the judges won't know what they mean either.
- 5. Look over some of your friends' ideas before you start writing. They may have had a brain storm or something.
- 6. Let your teacher think you've been so busy on your essay that you just couldn't possibly do your daily homework.
- 7. If you can't possibly dig up enough words to meet the minimum, get a book from the library and copy. The judges couldnt have read all the books on the subject.
- 8. If the rues say to type the essay, write it in longhand. After all, this essay will be judged on originality as well as merit.
- 9. Don't start worrying about how you're going to spend the prize money until after the essay is in the mail.

Dorothy Kirk, a new student from Kirksville, Mo., is the granddaughter of John R. Kirk, principal of Westport from 1892 to 1894. He died in 1937 at the age of 83. Dr. Kirk was a school teacher in Missouri for sixtyseven years. For twenty-six years he was president of the Northeast Missouri State Teachers College at Kirksville.

## **Training Course in Farming Planned**

To My High School Friends:

Have you ever worked on a farm? Do you think you would like to? An opportunity to discover your interest and to train for farm work will soon be offered.

The Kansas City Public Schools, through the College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri, will undertake to train high school girls and boys in the rudiments of farming. The project, sponsored by the federal government, which has been under way nationally for several years, is designed to relieve the manpower shortage on the farms and at the same time to afford youth desirable and worthwhile summer experiences. It is thought that many of our high school pupils will be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity to do their part in backing up the man behind the gun.

If I may be pardoned a personal reference, I should like to tell you that back in World War I when I was in high school I spent a summer on the farm. I had no training for the experience and it is quite likely that I was of more bother than I was of help. The experience was one, however, that I shall always remember and upon which I look back with considerable satisfaction. I enjoyed the first summer on the farm so much that other summers when it was possible for me to do so I spent in the same way. I know that what little contribution I might have made that first summer would have been far greater had I had the benefit of an intensive training course such as will be afforded you.

This course, which will be taught by a well qualified instructor, has for its purpose providing a familiarity with common experiences that may be anticipated in connection with farm work. I urge you to begin thinking about it, to discuss the matter with your homeroom teacher, counselor, vice-principal or principal and determine whether or not such an experience offers an appeal and you would like an opportunity to contribute directly to the war effort in this way. If you think it would, then I urge you to enroll for this training when the announcement is made concerning it. Personally, I am satisfied that it will mean a great deal to you and that a summer spent on the farm, in a wholesome environment, with good food, regular hours and plenty of fresh air, will be one of the most interesting and profitable experiences that you could have.

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools. March 27, 1944.

## Under the Clock

If any fault is found regarding the varnishing of the tiger Den, see Ted Wales,

A piece of paper showing a Walt Disney animal drawing got more "ohs" and "ahs" when passed around in study hall than a picture of Alan Ladd.

Helen Dodds can ask the most unusual questions. Cherie Shipley and Melba Nelson also deserve honorable mention.

Isn't it amazing how so many new members appear on the night scheduled for club pictures?

Who is this Faith Grapeiruit we keep hearing about in certain classes?

Joyce Murrell, after several years of music work, has finally learned that she plays an oboe, not a hobo.

When Chuck Edwards stood up to play a hot solo at a recent dance band practice, he found to his sorrow that John Irwin was up to his old tricks of borrowing his cornet mouthpiece.

Newton Campbell says it makes it very handy to find out that date for the ball lives a little ways from school.

Bill Kester has a very good excuse for being late to algebra class so much. He has to wait "almost 15 minutes" for the streetcar.

Would some one explain these strange radio programs we keep hearing about "The Lone Stranger," etc.?

Since Bill Fink learned the meaning of "Besame Mucho," he serenades Mary Lou with that tune instead of his former favorite, "Mairzy Doats."

Marilyn Synost is wearing a new "little pin" these days.

Those matching sweaters of Marilyn McHenry's and Ted Foote's really are something new.

We've just discovered that Sue Huncilman has had a little sister here at school all year. So we wish to say hello to Harriet Huncilman.

Norma Dehmer, Martha Rush, Nora Russell, and Pat Goudie had quite a time walking in those ankle-top shoes they had on the other night.

Bill Franke and Gene Lund already have dates for the R.O.T.C. ball, so you girls that keep asking them to take you really ought to stop.

Mary Alice Nelson has added a new garment to her spring wardrobe-a boy's blue suit jacket, which fits like a parachute.

George Nitchy, with six chevrons on his R.O.T.C. uniform, identifies himself as a PFC six times!

Popular moan of the fairer sex: "Every time I put on a sweater, the sun shines; and when I put on a blouse, it snows."

There is quite a lot of competition for a certain girl between Gene Lund and Eddie Jacobson.

A number of students are getting ready to vote (in 1948). The "In-struction to Voters" poster that was seen around school last week gives ample evidence of this.

"They not only don't have anything to eat," says Eddie McLeroy, "but they don't have anything to eat it with."

Irwin Block says when he took Latin he thought that "veni, vidi, vici" were the three guys that sat in front of him.

Morton Galitzsky, director of home room 204, has just appointed G. Chubb as his new assistant.

After his recent victories in wrestling and boxing, Ace Albright, the "muscle man," finally has developed enough courage to challenge 90-pound Tom Burdett to a match.

Several cadets were worried last week until the promotion list came out. Then they still were worried, or were they?

Barbara Young, a senior, and Barbara Young, a soph, will be happy when everyone finds out which one is which.

#### Verse or Worst

- If we print jokes, people say we are silly
- If we don't we're too serious.
- If we clip things from other papers,
- we are too lazy to write our own. If we don't, we are stuck on our own stuff.
- If we stick to the news room, we should be out hunting news.
- If we do, and S. G. tells us we're cutting class.
- Now, likely as not, if we print this, some nit-wit will say we swiped it from another paper.
- Well, to tell you the truth, we did!

## Waste Paper Still a New P.J.A. President Must in War Effort

Millions of old books and magazines lying unused in American homes, libraries and offices are urgently needed now as raw material for thousands of essential items of war, Herbert M. Faust, director of the Salvage Division of the War Producticn Board, has announced.

"Waste paper is the nation's most critical war material," Mr. Faust said. "It is as important as powder since more than 700,000 military items are either made of waste paper products or are paper-wrapped for shipment overseas.

"The increasingly critical and dangerous waste paper shortage would



When a single Army division goes overseas, it car-ries about 150,000 tons of supplies . . . and there are 700,000 items made wrapped with paper . . . And waste paper is dangerously scarce today! SAVE WASTE PAPER!



## **U.S.Victory** WASTE PAPER Campaign

be relieved immeasurably if we threw into the fight all of the useless old books and magazines, of no interest to servicemen, now gathering dust on our bookshelves or lying untouched in our attics closets and cellars."

Mr. Faust said since the average book weighs about a pound, one unused book will make two containers for life-saving blood plasma, six cartons for the U. S. Army emergency "K" rations, ten paperboard boxes for 50 cal, bullets, thirty containers for lifeboat inflation cartridges or scores of other miiltary items that may mean the difference between life and death for our own boys.

Waste paper collections are now 25 per cent below essential military and civilian requirements, Mr. Faust said, causing curtailed production of vital war supplies.

Waste paper is still a must for the war effort and the public schools of Kansas City are being asked to assume leadership in its collection, Dr. Hunt writes in his weekly circular letter. All schools are urged to make renewed efforts to stimulate the savings and the collection of waste paper. The March collections have not in-tance of this campaign.



MRS. HENRY VESS

Mrs. Henry Vess was chosen president of the P.T.A. in the annual election held last week, Tuesday. The other officers are Mrs. R. E. O'Dwyer, first vice president; Mrs. A. E. Bare, second vice president; Mrs. Melvin Willett, third vice president; Mrs. Edward Franke, recording secretary; Mrs. E. T. Tengdin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. R. Hood, treasurer; Mrs. C. R. Z. Schuler, historian.

Mrs. Vess has a daughter in school, Mary Louise Vess, a freshman. Her older daughter, Elizabeth, was managing editor of the Crier in 1936, her senior year, and her son, Henry Vess, '36, is a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery. He is taking special training in Rochester, N. Y.

Before the election, Chief Hill of the naval recruiting station described enlistment procedure and the various types of training for 17-year-old boys.

A musical program was presented by students in the instrumental and vocal departments.

#### From The Crier, April 1, 1942

First Westporter killed in action was Pilot Officer William Jones, '40, of the R. A. F.

Twelve teachers helped in an occupational survey which was designed to determine the educational needs of pupils who would soon enter the business world.

Seven Keys to Baldpate, the spring play, was presented April 24 and 25. Mr. King was the director.

creased as much as was anticipated and it is hoped that additional emphasis will be placed on the impor-

## HUMAN SCIENCE PROVES VALUE IN FIRST YEAR

Human science, in its first year as a required subject, has become a highly important course. Almost every day eager students meet in the halls to compare drawings of their skeletal structures and their various innards.

Such questions as "How have your "Do I have spinal curvature? are heard frequently. Boys have developed a new line. Instead of saying, "May I kiss you goodnight," they say, "Could I interest you in a nerve impulse, you cute little bundle of protoplasm?

Students are beginning to watch their diets and are striving earnestly to get rest and exercise. Pounds are being lost and gained. If this continues, everyone soon will be a robust physical specimen. Then there won't be anyone big enough to push a guy out of the lunchcheck line, and no one can be forced to get another fellow's seats reserved for the plays.

In short, human science is contributing much to the happiness and well-being of the fortunate pupils enrolled in Miss Bechtel's and Messrs. Bourrette's and Chubb's classes.

#### 32 Art Pupils Make Posters to Advertise Play

Posters for the play, "Nothing But the Truth," were made by the following pupils in the art department:

Jacqueline Dunlap, Betty Fluke, Delores Hunter, Robert O'Neil, Wilma Miller, Jerry Brown, Lois Nodell, Shirley Elliot, Elaine Stevens, Alice Byrne, Bob Mathews, Martha Porter, Elizabeth Schalue, Patricia Keating, Barbara Stacy, Donna Rapier, Billie Downie, Edmund Fink, Earl Graff, Barbara Waltner, Doris Rollins, Julia Parkins, Phyllis Baird, Virginia Abbott, Lucille Martin, Barbara Butler, Doris Frank, Joan Warfsman, Doris Maryolf, Kenneth Reid, Beverly Waltner, and Dorothy Arrington.

Each person who made a poster received a free ticket to the play to help pay for the cardboard and paint used.

Posters were displayed at the Rollins, Norman, and Sweeney grade schools.

#### Spanish Pupils to Be Heard In Radio Program May 17

Students in Miss Shelley's Spanish classes will participate in a fifteenminute radio program over WDAF on Wednesday, May 17.

To stimulate good inter-American relations, WDAF has granted time for a program on various Latin American countries to be presented by high schools, starting April 5 and ending May 31.

A committee of teachers, with Miss Shelley as chairman, is Mr. King, Mr. Spring, Miss Beck, and Miss Lilly.

## Science Teachers Put on Good Show with Liquid Air

Miracles performed with \$15 worth of liquid air produced a succession of thrills when Miss Junkin and Mr. Miner gave a demonstration in assembly March 23.

An assortment of tubes, funnels, beakers and other equipment borrowed from the laboratories provided the proper scientific setting. Mr. Miner started the proceedings by releasing several choice bon mots which amused his hearers and made them feel that they hadn't made a mistake by coming to school that day.

Miss Junkin followed with a brief lecture explaining the properties of liquid air. She told how it is produced and explained that its temperature is below -300 degrees F.

Then began a series of astounding phenomena. A teakettle containing liquid air boiled furiously when placed on a cake of ice; a tennis ball, stalks of celery, rose petals and peas were frozen solid; a balloon was inflated; a miniature steam engine was run at high speed with liquid air injected into the cylinders, and with Mr. Miner's aid a cigar was lighted and burned quickly when dropped into liquid air.

Pupils in Mr. Miner's first hour physics class and Miss Junkin's second hour general science class viewed the show from ringside seats on the stage.

#### Stockton, Cal., P.T.A. Raises \$3,000 for New Youth Center

Stockton high school, Stockton, Cal., opened its new Youth Center March 17. No name had been found so a prize of \$1, an honorary life membership, and the honor of being the first charter member was offered as an inducement for submitting a name.

The center is open every afternoon from 3:30 o'clock until 9:30. The closing hour is 11 o'clock on Saturday and 2 o'clock on Sunday. The cost of membership is 25 cents for three months.

Trimmed in knotty pine and painted a canary yellow, the interior is gay and bright. As soon as possible a South Sea Island atmosphere will be carried out in the decorations.

More than \$3,000 was raised by the P.T.A. to finance the project.

Dr. Sidney Ekblaw, professor of geography at Kansas City University, addressed the Westport Science club at its regular meeting March 24. Following his talk he showed U. S. Navy motion pictures dealing with formation of thunderstorms and dangers encountered when flying near or through such storms. The program was much appreciated by more than 100 students who were present.

## Up and Down the Corridors

The annual P.T.A. picnic for Westport, Paseo and Southeast will be held at Fairyland Park, Thursday, May 25. Tickets will be sold in each of the three schools.

Mrs. Lynn Bower, formerly Barbara Sackmann, '36, is the mother of a 7 lb., 6 oz. girl, born March 24. Her husband, a Southwest graduate, manages a flying field at Manhattan, Kas. Barbara's sister, Gloria, is a senior.

Mr. King's classes have seen two moving pictures recently, "Winning Your Wings" and "This Is Our War."

Miss Hatch reports that the list of graduating seniors is ready and will be posted soon in the front hall.

Gail Goodrich, Mary Lou Hindman and Fred Heim are planning to take the College Board examinations to be held this month.

Lt. Marvin Anderson, who was reported missing February 22, is a prisoner of war in Germany. The Red Cross notified his parents recently and so they put a check for \$80 in the collection plate of his church the next Sunday.

Masterpieces of the week exhibited last week were a pen and ink interpretation of a photograph of a snow scene, done by Delores Hunter, hour 1, art 6, and a pencil drawing of a skyscraper in two-point perspective, done by Joned Billings, art 2, hour 6.

The monthly P.T.A. luncheon was held at the home of Mrs George Nodell on Monday, March 27. Miss Hayden, Miss Fairchild, Miss Wilhite, Mr. Van Horne, Mr. Banister and Mr. Shearer were the faculty guests.

Miska and Sonja Buffington have signed contracts and will be featured dancers with the George White Scandals as soon as school is out. They recently appeared on "Discovery Night" at the Tower theater and were seen by talent scouts, who immediately contracted them with this amazing result.

Garments made by Betty Warner, Doris Klein, Alice Keever, Wilma Westerdahl, Melba Withrawl and Lenore Branstetter will be displayed in the public library for one week.

In these times of separated homes and saddened family life, any expression of thoughtfulness is appreciated. In keeping with the spirit, several girls in the clothing department have made pieces of embroidery handwork as Easter gifts for their mothers. These consist of handkerchiefs, towels and table cloths. Tryouts for the next play were held in the auditorium for girls yesterday, and for the boys today. This play, directed by Mr. King, is a Kaufman and Connelly three-act comedy, and will be presented May 19 and 20.

In the April 3 issue of Newsweek was a picture of Geraldine Whipple, '37, a professional dancer. She is shown entertaining a group of G. I.'s at Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Tex. Miss Whipple will join the Marines shortly.

Members of the Jules Guerin art club are making mother's day cards for the Junior Red Cross. Each member is required to design and paint four cards.

Alfonso Alferado y Berg, a member of the Mexican consulate, who has spoken to the Spanish club on numeroue occasions, has been transferred from Kansas City to Tucson, Ariz.

Spanish classes have completed a study of Argentina in their study of the geography of the various Latin American countries.

Miriam Weckman, '25, is teaching in the Mark Twain grade school.

F. L. Phillips, former teacher of Spanish, visited school Friday, March 24.

"El Tren de Pasajeros," or "The Passenger Train," was shown to the Spanish classes last week. This sound film, with the dialogue in Spanish, described a trip aboard a streamlined train.

Miss Hanna, who works regularly at the Canteen, will deliver any V-mail stationary, pocket books, or other gifts to the boys who visit the Canteen.

Miss Totten and Mr. Van Horne have received copies of "The Congressional Record Vocabulary" which he bought for 10 cents. Dictionaries of shorthand words can also be purchased.

Dorothy Gartner, a sophomore, recently entered school. She is from Dallas Falls, Neb.

The typing classes are learning how to use carbons and how to type stencils.

"Winning Your Wings," and "This Is Everybody's War," two war films, were shown in the public speaking classes last week. The newswriting class was invited to view these films and a movie on journalism with the sixth hour careers classes.

## Among our Servicemen

Richard Ethridge, '41, Army Air Corps radio mechanic, was recently home on furlough.

Tom Morris, '41, Army Medical Department, was home recently for a short furlough.

Jim Dolan, '43, Infantry, enroute to Camp Ord, Calif., spent a ten-day furlough in Kansas City.

Bernard Brown, '43, army paratrooper, recently was home on leave from his base in North Carolina.

Lloyd E. Wagner, a student in 1943, was recently home on leave after two voyages in the Merchant Marine.

Jim Paulson, a student in 1943, is now in Marine Boot Camp, San Diego, Calif.

Jack Polkey, '36, of the Army Air Corps, is home on a furlough.

Pfc. Donald Roberts '43, has been transferred from Fort Benning, Ga.

Pfc. Earl Craig, '43, of the Marine Corps, is now stationed somewhere in the South Pacific.

Eugene Fluke left to enter naval training March 27.

A recent visitor was Bob Luschen, '42, U. S. Maritime Service.

A/C Jack Furry, '43, is taking preflight training at Maxwell Field, Ala. Furry was the R.O.T.C. major last year.

Seaman Second Class Bob Perkins, a junior here last year, is stationed at Pearl Harbor.

#### This Day in History

Sir Joseph Lister, an English surgeon, born this day in 1827, is honored for his introduction of antiseptics for the treatment of wounds.

In 1909 Peary reached the North Pole.

This is the birthday of Eliha Yale, the earliest benefactor of what is now Yale University.

Today is Army Day, the day in 1917 when the United States declared war on Germany.

Ceylon was bombed by the Japanese this day in 1942.

Miss Gales, who owns a farm in Brown's Valley, Minn., intends to ride a tractor this summer to help out with the harvest.

Purchase of a bomber for flights over Berlin and Tokyo has been assured by the successful completion of a war stamp drive in the North Kansas City high school. It will be called the Hornet.

## CONCERT BY ORCHESTRA AND BANDS APRIL 28

The Westport bands and the orchestra are preparing diligently for the annual spring concert to be presented Friday night, April 28. The groups will present several novelty numbers, including a song and dance by Vivian Johnson. A capable student of the Gillespie-Sullivan dancing school, Vivian will be accompanied by the band with "My Heart Tells Me." A cornet quartet, a male quartet, and several other instrumental groups also will be presented.

The senior band will play the difficult Light Cavalry Overture, a medley of pieces from the musical hit "Oklahoma" and several marches. An arrangement of the Snow White songs will be a feature. Mr. Keenan will choose the remaining selections from the many that the groups have played during the year.

Because of the number of outstanding musicians in the band this year, Mr. Keenan believes that this will be one of the finest concerts ever presented here. A few of the outstanding players are cornetist John Irwin, Glen Todd on the trombone and Frank Frannano, who also plays the French horn in the Kansas City Philharmonic orchestra and the municipal band.

On the Firing Line

The following cadets were on the special promotion list published on March 23:

David Houglund, Janis Howard, Ralph Kron, and Richard White, second lieutenants; Bill Barnes, first sergeant; Dale Liljestrand, staff sergeant; George Evans, David Hochberg, Gerald Jones, sergeants, and James Boley, Harlan Kilmer, and Richard Mefford, corporals.

Colonel Craig, commanding R.O.T.C. officer in the seventh corps area, made an informal inspection of the Westport unit last Wednesday. He commended Sgt. Metz on the smart appearance of the cadets and the method of teaching. He wished Sergeant Metz luck in his coming combat duty. The formal government inspection will be held early in May.

Many cadets volunteered to collect money for the Red Cross last week. For this service the boys were given their lunch, street car fare and had the opportunity to see "Cover Girl."

Company C was awarded the pennant Crack Company for the two weeks period ending March 24.

The rifle racks have been remodeled to fit the Enfields, which will be received soon.

## Flag Will Be Ours After Two More Big Stamp Sales

Ninety-one per cent of the students paid \$628 for bonds and war stamps in the homerooms last Wednesday. The same percentage of participation also was attained the previous week, so two more sales with a percentage exceeding 90 will give Westport the right to fly the Treasury minute man flag.

Three homerooms, Mr. Spring's, Miss Young's and Mr. Smith's, have raised their percentage to 100 per cent. "If more rooms can break into the big league of 100 percenters, Westport undoubtedly can maintain the standards needed to obtain the Treasury flag and keep it flying," Miss Gales stated in congratulating these rooms.

A new symbol has been prepared for rooms that exceed their quota. Attractively designed by Miss Beck's classes, a blue star displayed in a corner of the door window will signify that the room has exceeded its quota.

Tickets for the War Stamp Council mixer on April 18 will soon be offered for sale by representatives in the homerooms next week. The mixer will be one of the events of the year.

Northeast High is the first Kansas City high school to receive the minute-man flag. For four consecutive weeks the pupils have averaged above 97 per cent in the purchase of stamps and bonds.

#### Pupils Build New Pieces Of Equipment for Metal Shop

New equipment in the metal shop includes a set of eyeshields on all of the grinders.

Small machines which are being finished are lathes by Duane Worcester, Raymond Gregory, and Robert Vetter; jigsaws by Billy Hart, Bill Virden, George Grinham, and Donald Fitzpatrick and two jigsaws as group projects.

Eddie Myers has completed a wrought iron candlestick holder for Miss Beck and an attractive wrought iron fireplace poker for Mr. King.

The Classical club of Greater Kansas City met March 22 at the Pine Room in the Union Station. Judge Omar E. Robinson spoke, and patriotic songs were sung. Those who attended from Westport were Miss Anna Lash, Miss Mabel Eggleston, Miss Marie Brubaker, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shouse.

The girls in Miss Durboraw's fifth hour sewing class hemmed the drapes for the Tiger Den.

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## TIGER DEN HELPERS GET FLOODS OF FAN MAIL

Fan mail which has been pouring in ever since their pictures appeared on the front page of the Star has convinced Emma Schuler and Jean Suffill that an accommodating photographer can do a lot for a working girl.

A sailor, two boys in Kanapolis, Kas., and a couple of lads in Spikard, Mo., wrote immediately, pledging undying adoration and asking for replies by return mail. All implied that dates could be arranged easily.

Every day their mail boxes are crowded with advertising. Literature also has been reeived from an earnest soul who is anxious about their status in the life hereafter.

Telephone wires have been kept hot with messages of congratulation. Friends from far and near have delivered clippings from the paper in which their pictures appeared. Best of all, the two celebrities enjoy the increased appreciation shown by their families and kinfolk.

Yes, the right kind of publicity is a great morale builder.

## Your Constitution

The key-note of the Constitutional Convention now in session in Jefferson City, if one characteristic can be thus designated in comparison with other features, is the practically unanimous determination of the members to take the people of the state into full partnership in their deliberations.

It was stated by a delegate in the following language: "Constitution making divides itself into two partsthe vocal part, the delegates in convention assembled-the voting part, the people assembled at the polls. To make a good constitution, both must work together."

The Convention is composed of eighty-three delegates, and is in exact political balance.

The Convention now is far ahead of its original schedule in accomplishment. Limited only by occasional illness, the delegates put in long hours at their tasks.

Some would strike out antiquated and nonworkable parts of the present constitution. Others would revise articles and sections to meet the demands of a rapidly developing state.

Still others seek to bring about fundamental changes by substituting new ideas and new articles and carrying the hopes of their authors that their adoption will place Missouri in the front rank of the progressive states of the nation.

Certain Male: You dance wonderfully well.

Certain Female: I wish I could say the same for you.

Certain Male: You could if you could lie the way I do .- Lewis and Clark.

#### ENROLLMENT OF 1,582 NEXT FALL INDICATED BY CHECK-UP

Preliminary enrollment figures indicate that there will be 1,582 students in Westport next fall. Neighboring grade schools will send 392 freshmen. Four hundred fifty-two of the enrollees will be sophomores, 365 juniors, and 373 seniors. In these calculations no allowance is made for removals, transfers or new students from out of town.

Last spring's preliminary count totaled 1,607. Although there was a drop this year it is not as great as the expected one.

Of all the subjects offered harmony is the only one cancelled because of lack of sufficient requests. The fifteen students who requested this subject are asked to see their homeroom teachers at once to arrange for a substitute.

Two classes in French 1 and two classes in German 1 will be organized.

There are vacancies in both the junior and senior newswriting classes. Applicants must have grades of S or E in English to enter either of these classes.

The preliminary enrollment cards will be sent home next month for the approval and signature of parents.

#### Freshmen Write Limericks

Miss Cannon's English classes recently have been engaged in writing limericks. The following three, chosen to represent the class, were written by Joe Cartwright, Olive Wilhelm, and Carolyn Krambeck, respectively:

There was a young man named Hamil, Who smiled as he rode on a camel, The camel said, "Haw! This is the last straw!" And dumped the young man named Hamil

Johnny doughboy went out in a jeep, The sights of the country to peep, He met a nice lass, And stayed over the pass, Now the "brass hats" wrath he must

reap.

There was an old man of Hue, Who sat in a bucket of glue, He stuck so tight, He remained all night, The lazy old man of Hue.

Eugene Sewell has completed a smoking stand and Richard Sweet and James Baker, freshmen, have completed a sleeveboard in the woodwork shop. John Brooks finished some Sheraton end tables and Mr. Priefert's classes completed a table for the blind pupils at the Ladd schoool. Mr. Sloan has finished a toy chest for his daughter, who was one year old March 14.

Arlene Tucker, a freshman from Los Angeles, entered school recently.

## Girls Can Help on Home Front as Nurses Aides

Girls who have brothers, fathers or boy friends in the armed services and are eager to do their part on the home front can render effective service by enlisting as nurses aides.

The duties of nurses aides vary from admitting and discharging patients, taking their temperatures, giving baths and helping to feed the patients. All this seemingly unimportant work is a great aid to the regular nurses, giving them time to perform more important tasks efficiently.

The seven-weeks' training period is divided into two units. The first unit consists of class routine, lecture courses averaging three hours a day, five days a week, for four weeks straight. In the second unit the aides practice all they have learned in the previous four weeks. They are on duty in hospitals forty-five hours, or three days a week for three weeks.

When the seven weeks training is completed the student is graduated, if she has passed all the requirements, and is allowed to wear the cap, which is a sign of graduation. After graduation the work is all voluntary. If an aide works on the day shift, the average is two to three days a week and night duty is three nights a week. This completes the voluntary 150 hours a year.

Nurses aides are employed in clinics, all recognized hospitals, in research work, at army stations, and at blood donor centers

All of this is purely voluntary and there is no pay. Application may be filed out at the Red Cross building, 222 West Eleventh street.

The studes of Mountain Grove, Mo., are buying war bonds and stamps in order to purchase a pursuit plane. It will be named "The Mountain Grove Panther."

Jim F .: You know last year the doctor told me if I didn't stop smoking I'd become feeble-minded?

Brad Y .: Why didn't you stop ?-Lewis and Clark Journal.

Harry: "Since I met you, I can't sleep, I can't eat, I can't drink."

Carrie (Sympathetically): "Why?" Harry: "I'm broke!"-Swiped from Greyhound Tiger News.

To raise money for their Herald panel, El Circulo Calderon, the Spanish club, held a paper drive. Netting over a ton, the club earned more than \$10. Paper was contributed by various teachers, members of the Spanish club and classes, and by some persons outside school.

## Boxing, Wrestling Winners Picked

"Kill him!" "Hit him in the head!" "Murder the bum!"

No, it isn't a broadcast of a ballgame in Brooklyn. It's only a report of one of the friendly matches when agile, hard-fisted youths battled for supremacy in the boxing and wrestling bouts held recently in the boys' gym before wildly cheering fans.

Three rough and tumble boys were able to conquer all adversaries in both divisions and so hold two crowns. Ranging in weight from duo champ Tom Burdett, 80 pounds, to Ace Albright, 215 pounds, the fights were entertaining and the contestants showed considerable skill. The other "two-timer" was Eddie (K. O.) Meyers, a senior who awed the crowd by scoring a knockout in boxing and by defeating three wrestling opponents in one afternoon.

The keenest rivalry in the two meets was between Nick Carras and Lercy Mitchell, both weighing around 170 pounds. The boxing final between the two was so close that a decision could not be reached and so the two share the championship.

In wrestling, after a series of headlocks, scissors, and flying mares, Mitchell said "uncle" and so Carras holds this crown alone. The only champions of '43 to repeat were 100pound Dick Chapman in the boxing division and Jim Littrell, 140 pound wrestling champ.

Dick (Ace) Albright, exhibiting a stiff punch with each hand, took the decision from Gene Hunter in the boxing final. Ace also defeated Boyd to add to his laurels. R.O.T.C.'s representative, Tom Doty, won the 160pound crown.

Mr. Shepherd's classes now will turn to tumpling and softball. Afterschool softball will be started soon on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons on the Gillham field. Starting with groups who played basketball all winter in the Junior College gym, Mr. Shepherd invites boys to form teams and report their names to him. This league and the basketball league is sponsored by the Recreation Division of the Welfare Department, and a special vote of thanks is due Les L. Warren and Mr. Shepherd who arranged for them.

Preinduction conditioning also will be stressed as will swimming if the Junior College pool can be obtained. The supervisors will be Mr. Chubb, Mr. Bourrette, and Mr. Needham.

To commemorate Pan American day an assembly will be presented by the Spanish department Friday, April 14. Boxing and Wrestling Champs



The boxing and wrestling champions:

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Grolmes 90	Pendleton
Thapman	
Luce	
Gallemore	
Pitts	
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Meyers	
Doty	
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## RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS WON BY SIX GRADUATES

Mr. Holloway recently received a letter from Robert Bartle, '43, asking him if he could settle a dispute with a buddy in the army. Bartle wondered how many Rhodes scholarships have been awarded Westport students.

Six Westporters have received the Rhodes scholarship. No other high school in the United States equals this record. The six who received this honor and their present occupations are as follows:

Rex Miller, 1913, now a counselor in Australia.

Clyde Emery, 1916, professor in the law school, Baylor University.

John Madden, 1917, prominent Kansas City lawyer.

Florian Gass, 1919, no information available.

Charles Parker, 1927, a banker in New York City. « Thomas Childs, 1929, in government service in Cuba.

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Cecil Rhodes, famous empire builder, established a fund to provide scholarships at Oxford University. Every year, 500 pounds, or \$2,500 in American money, is awarded boys of different countries between the ages of 19 and 23, but preferably juniors in a university. The scholarship includes sufficient money for four years' tuition at Oxford and traveling expenses through Europe during their vacation.

The purpose of these scholarships is to promote friendship and good feeling between England and the other countries.

### Net Team to Be Built Around Two Veterans

This year's tennis team will be built around Irwin Block and Bob Gershon, the only veterans in school. Mr. Fristoe, faculty manager, is looking for four more players to complete the sextet. With several dual meets coming up, he hopes many applicants will enter the tryouts, especially sophomores.

In previous years seventy or eighty candidates have answered the call for recruits. Westport has the most brilliant tennis record of any school in town. Players who won places in our hall of fame in recent years were Bill Miller, Bill Ege, Frank Wilkinson III and Jack Ormsby.

A strong quintet from Southwest dethroned the Tiger entries who finished second last fall. A tentative meet with Southwest has been arranged and the Tigers will be after sweet revenge.

Outstanding candidates for the team, besides Gershon and Block, are Bob O'Brien, Don Sanders Jack Miller, and Charles Averill, the fall entries. However, all positions are open and may be obtained by entering the annual spring tournament.

#### Red Cross Chairman Thanks Students for Contributions

Students of Westport High School:

The 1944 Red Cross War Fund Campaign is over and I cannot let another day go by without letting the students of Westport high school know how grateful all of us at headquarters are for the most generous gift of money sent to the Senior Red Cross. This contribution certainly helped to put us "over the top."

Our gratitude is equaled only by the joy the students must feel in knowing they more than have done their part towards helping our men in the armed forces.

Yours most sincerely,

Mrs. Charles M. Bush Chairman, Women's Division 1944 Red Cross War Fund

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Top Flight Seniors

## Pupils Praised for Work on Tiger Den

To My High School Friends:

With so much being said and written these days about juvenile delinquency it was a refreshing experience the other evening to participate in an activity that has for its purpose a program of positive and affirmative action designed to relegate that obnoxious and frequently erroneously used term to the limbo of the forgotten as far as one community group is concerned.

I refer to the opening of the Tiger Den, located at 3925 Main street, not far from Westport High School, designed to serve in part, at least the leisure time activities of pupils resident within that area.

An outgrowth of the Westport Community Council, a cooperative undertaking of all agencies interested in youth in the Westport district, the project from its early inception had, I am told, the hearty support and encouragement of these agencies. Most significant, however, was the interest in the project by the students themselves. This interest was evidenced not alone in the location of facilities but in the rehabilitation of the facilities as they were made available. Just plain scrubbing (and lots of it, I learned) was necessary to make the large club room habitable and then, to make it attractive, painting and decorating were required. All of this was done willingly and enthusiastically.

But that was not all. An organization had to be developed, officers selected, membership arrangements made, other plans projected. The entire youth population of high school age in the district—private, parochial and public school—had to be contacted for the activity is community wide in its scope and represents not any one group alone.

The success of the opening of the Tiger Den with hundreds of interested youths in attendance must have been a source of inspiration and satisfaction to those who observed the development of the project from an idea to a plan to a reality. Subsequent interest, I have learned, continues to be gratifying, assuring every likelihood of continued success in helping to meet youth needs.

The experience of the Westport Community Council, which is highly commendable indeed, should be a challenge to every other council in Kansas City. The need for such facil-

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Top row, Gall Goodrich, Ed Davis, Doris Frank.

Front row, Merres Starbuck, Maurine Filson, Donna Rapier, Mary Lou Hindman,

Gail Goodrich heads the list of high ranking seniors with a scholarship index of 3.97. The next six highest, in order of their scholastic rating, are Mary Lou Hindman, Doris Frank, Edward Davis, Merres Starbuck, Maurine Filson, and Donna Faye Rapier. Certificates for gold pins with three pearls will be awarded the top flight seniors in assembly. In rating the group, Miss Bridges compared the grades received by all of the prospective 1944 graduates in the upper rank.

## Senior Week to Open with Flag Raising Ceremony

To mark the opening of senior week a brand new flag will be hoisted to the top of the mast beneath Old Glory Monday morning, May 22.

This flag, an entirely new and original creation, was authorized by the senior business committee in a special meeting last Friday. On its ample folds the words "Seniors, Class of 1944," will be emblazoned. It will be raised in the morning and lowered at night for four successive days. On senior day it will be taken down for the last time in the presence of the junior and senior classes and in its place the junior flag will be raised. This ceremony will be held Friday morning, May 26, previous to the annual senior day assembly.

Both flags will be designed and constructed by girls in the sewing class if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The Westport PTA will hold a card party at the Tiger Den, 3925 Main street, Thursday evening, April 27, at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will be given to the Den. There will be many draw prizes and table prizes. Tickets will be 50 cents each.

## War Stamp Buyers Win Treasury Flag

With 98 per cent of the pupils in the home rooms participating, war stamp buyers won the Minute Man Flag last Wednesday. The peak was reached after the sales for the three preceding weeks had exceeded 90 per cent to guarantee the title to the flag.

"I never had a doubt that we wouldn't get the flag," Miss Gales said when the home room reports were compiled. "Westport never fails. I hope now that we maintain 90 per cent each succeeding week so we shall be able to fly the flag until the last day of school."

Miss Gales has spark plugged the sales ever since she was appointed faculty sponsor of the War Stamp Council, winning the enthusiastic cooperation of the student body with her boundless energy and optimism. The sales force and Miss Card and her able assistants deserve much praise for their share in the crowning achievement of the war stamp drive.

#### Spring Election of Student Council Board Proposed

Election of undergraduate members of the executive board of the student council in the spring was proposed at a recent meeting of the council.

According to the plan, the present freshmen, sophomores and juniors would participate in the election. The new executive board would choose the president who, with the approval of the board, would be able to handle business arising during the summer and early in the fall.

At the opening of school in September the home rooms would elect their representatives, the new freshmen naming their members of the executive board. Then the vice president, secretary, treasurer and sergeant-at-arms would be elected at the first meeting of the entire student council.

#### Wins Prize for Ticket Sales

Miss Grube announced Friday that the Stage and Screen club sold the largest percentage of tickets to the recent play, "Nothing But the Truth." With eight members, the club sold thirty tickets, an average of 375 per cent for each member. Second in the contest was the Speech Arts club, with a 320 per cent average, There are thirty-five members in this group. The total number of tickets were divided by the number of members to get the percentage.

## Let's Keep Treasury Flag Flying

Westport has done it again! Soon the blue and white minute man treasury flag will be proudly floating from the flagstaff to proclaim that Westport is truly backing her boys at the front. We're all pretty proud of Westport for her latest achievement, and we're pretty proud of ourselves, too, for we realize that it took each and every one of us to earn for the right to fly that flag.

Miss Gales and the War Stamp Council deserve special commendation for their splendid promotion work. Without their aid, our newest honor would have been much harder to have obtained.

Now that we are one of the few high schools in Kansas City to have earned the treasury flag, we must redouble our efforts. All of us realize the value of the purchase of war savings stamps and bonds, so we won't let Westport-or our boys in the service down. We shall continue our splendid record of war stamp purchases, maintain above 90 per cent participation, and keep the minute-man banner flying below the Stars and Stripes until the last day of school.

## It Sez Here

Now that the rains's over (we hope) and Spring has finally made her appearance, many students are getting their tennis rackets out of hock and their muscles into condition. Along with the more experienced players, such as Irwin Block and Bob Gershon, we see the "amateurs," Jim Abbott, Larry Couey, and Tim O'Leary.

Some of these stag parties are really rare. We hear the one last Saturday night was a lot of fun, with pretzels and cokes (?) for all. Everyone had a good time except Ed Windsor and Dickie Johnson.

Jane Riche and Russell Borg created quite a sensation last week when they appeared in identical blue "tee" shirts. You can't beat a "blond in blue," we always say. Incidentally, Jane has a new baby rabbit, which she has christened "Wallace Tipper," that follows her all over the house.

The most popular tunes at the "Den" recently have been, "I'll Get By," "Yes Indeed," and "Do Nothing "Til You Hear From Me."

Picnics seemed to be the most popular form of amusement over the Easter holidays. At least Donna Mueller and Bill Feagans, Jean Fleck and Delmar Burton enjoyed theirs.

The public speaking classes are producing some talented radio writers and speakers. They discovered that Charles Compton sounds like Orson Welles. Jean and Julia Wilkinson, Gloria Sackmann and Edla Carlson advocate the purchasing of "Tootsie Tootsie Balm," while Rita Terry believes that Stinko's Beauty Products are the only solution for wall flowers.

That's all for now. See you at the Den!

#### THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is "Patriots' Day"-the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord. This is a legal holiday ia Massachusetts and Maine.

The Massachusetts colonists collected military supplies and stored them at Concord. General Gage, in charge of the British troops, came to Lexington and found a company of Colonial militia. The patriots refused to withdraw and this resulted in the first conflict of the Revolutionary War. The British then went to Concord and destroyed the military supplies there, after fighting a real battle, where was fired the "shot heard 'round the world,"

## PUPILS PRAISED FOR WORK ON TIGER DEN

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ities are not peculiar to the Westport district alone but are city-wide. It is co be hoped, therefore, that high school youth of Kansas City in their various educational affiliations brought together by district councils will see in the accomplishment of the Westport area an opportunity for similar group action. The establishment of these clubs, city-wide, would surely do much to provide a desirable outlet for leisure time activities.

What district will be next?

Fraternally yours, Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools. April 11, 1944.

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### VICTORY GARDENERS OPEN SPRING CAMPAIGN

Although winter isn't far behind. spring is here, and with the thoughts of spring come plans for Victory Gardens. Last year, under the supervision of Mr. Van Horne, the Victory Garden Boosters succeeded in "boosting" enthusiasm for the cooperation of school, community, and individuals in planting Victory Gardens. In other instances, information was distributed and made public by announcements, bulletins, and telephone calls.

The Victory Boosters consisted of representatives chosen from each home room who brought suggestions and returned ideas and policies to the home rooms. These representatives were also responsible for the delivery of senior invitations and the distribution of senior dance tickets.

Many teachers, as well as students, found gardening a pleasant pastime last summer. Mr. Holloway, who considers the undertaking a "health builder," raised a productive garden last year and is looking forward to another one this year. Mr. Phillips, former Spanish teacher, can show evidence of accomplishment in the beautiful flowers his garden yields, as well as vegetables and fruit. Even some of the women members of the faculty worked miracles with the spade and hoe.

A Victory garden not only would be a patriotic gesture but also would provide an avocation for the summer days.

## "Dulcy" to Be Next Dramatic Offering

"Dulcy," a hilarious three-act comedy, is in the offing. This Kaufman-Connelly production ran in New York for a season, and under Mr. King's skillful direction, is certain to be as much of a success when shown in the Westport auditorium on May 20 and 21.

In her eager determination to be helpful to her friends and husband, Dulcy plans a week end party, inviting an ill-assorted group such as only Dulcy could summon around her. Their brief associations become a series of hilarious tragedies. Dulcy all but ruins her husband's plans to put through a successful business deal.

Among her guests is the scenario writer who conspires to elope with the daughter of the capitalist, who loathes motion pictures. The rich young man from Newport whom Dulcy invites because he might be helpful in aiding the capitalist's wife's efforts at writing turns out to be a lunatic. The ex-convict butler complicates things by reverting to his natural character.

Everything goes wrong, but it is Dulcy's final blunder which crowns all her mistaken efforts with success. The situations increase in hilarity making "Dulcy" one of the most sprightly comedies ever produced here.

Although the casting has not yet been definitely announced, the actors will be Ed Davis, Stuart Talcroft, Jack Miller, Dick Chapman, Jerome Mandl, Richard Hunt, Charles Frizzell, Lester Brackenberry, Ted Foote, Rita Terry, Millicent Sheets, Merres Starbuck and Catherine McKim.

### Foster Homes Needed for More Than 400 Evacuees

Foster homes are needed for more than 400 "evacuees on the home front." Temporary homes on a lendlease basis are sought for children ranging from birth to 18 years of age, whose real homes have been split by separations, or by the illness of the mother, and for those who have been deserted, or are wards of the court. Others in need are war refugees, or those with fathers in the armed forces and whose mothers must work.

Five agencies in Kansas City are trying to care for these children. They are the Council of Social Agencies, the Catholic Welfare Bureau, the Juvenile Court, the Provident Family and Children's Service, and the United Jewish Social Services. These agencies are eager to find proper homes for the children and will be glad to give information to any family interested.

## Under the Clock

Everyone was surprised when they received their report cards. But there's quite a difference in being surprised at 18 points and being surprised at 8.

Barbara Herber really is getting smart. She has learned the words to quite a few songs recently.

Several boys were anxious to get back to work after the Easter vacation and used the wrong key on the door of room 5 the other morning.

We're still trying to find out the name of the person who remarked that the boys going from the study hall to the library second hour reminded them of the great migration.

Jim McClelland felt sort of odd when his pop spilled all over the floor. But ask him what he did to it.

Eileen Wright is back in semi-circulation again, and are the fellows glad!

Jim Abbott is a thoughtful fellow. He saved his Ice-capades' program so his friends wouldn't have to buy one for their dates!

Rosemarie Crowder keeps her oneand-only box of Kleenex in a vault!

Cherie Shipley claims she cut her hair so she wouldn't have to comb it.

Bill Barnes and George Nitchy, the two experts on South America, have come to the conclusion that the two largest cities of Uruguay are Rio de Janiero and Buenos Aires!

Contrary to popular belief, Jimmy Littrell is not allergic to oranges.

Clara Johnson can't quite understand the difference between convulsions and convolutions.

"Treat your typewriter as you would treat your piano at home," adises Mr. Van Horne, little dreaming what present-day musicians can extract from an innocent-looking piano.

Kay Hudson has the most endearing way of saying "hello."

Bette Bright and Jane Balfour appear quite healthy after their latest harrowing escapade.

If there is an increase in enrollment in mathematics classes next year, it will be a result of trying to buy checks in the cafeteria. It takes a mathematical genius to figure everything out right the first time. According to Mr. Van Horne, his typing students take the joy out of living.

Gene Banaka, repeatedly asking for pepper to put on his popsicle, makes us start to think.

Dropping membership cards out of windows of the Tiger Den isn't exactly according to Hoyle.

"I want a Babe Ruth," was the command. "Big or large?" was the reply from an intelligent lad behind the snack bar.

What is this Tootsie-Footsie balm we keep hearing about?

Jack Morton's version of the "despondent lieutenant" is really something.

Charles Compton can tell you all about fire fighting. During the Easter holidays he helped put out a fire in Swope park.

With just eight more weeks of school, we wonder if we'll get to see much more of Doris Rollins and Gladys Morgan. They just drop in about once a week.

Jane Riche's little rabbit, Tippy, got a lot of attention recently when it had its coming out party.

As usual, everyone went to Swope park during the Easter holidays. But what was the matter with Pat Kelly, Maxine Taylor, and Helen Root? They kept running all over the place looking for something. We didn't quite understand it. Maybe they lost something!

One of the recipients of fan mail is figuring the miles a California infantryman would have to walk to reach Kansas City by June 7.

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Man: What are you doing in my "efrigerator, little bunny?

Bunny: This is a Westinghouse, isn't it?

Man: Yes.

Bunny: Well, I'm just westing. ---Rustler, Fremont, Neb.

## Bands and Orchestra Tune Up for Concert

The Westport bands and the orchestra will present their nineteenth annual concert in the school auditorium Friday evening, April 28, at 8 o'clock. The program should appeal to everyone, both students and adults. The instrumental selections will range from the classics to "swing."

Among the special numbers are a brilliant new arrangement for trumpet quartet, entitled "The Four Heralds"; a singing-tap dance novelty by two of Westport's most beautiful girls; the famous "Holiday for Strings," so popular on radio programs, and a novel arrangement of "Chopsticks," recently published.

A vocal quartet, with four boys from the band will sing comedy numbers and Negro spirituals, and as a special added attraction, Mr. Spring will present his girls' chorus in several selections.

Every effort is being made to insure one of the finest concerts ever given at Westport, and it is hoped the student body will turn out in large numbers for this outstanding program.

Tickets may be obtained from members of the band and orchestra, and will be on sale the evening of the concert.

#### GROUPS OF SEVENTH GRADERS COMING TO GET ACQUAINTED

Groups of seventh graders from tributary elementary schools will be Westport guests the week of May 29. Arriving here during the fifth hour, the visitors will be conducted on a tour of the building with student guides. Points of interest will be the shops, the laboratories, domestic art and science rooms, and the cafeteria, where the sub-freshmen will have a chance to observe the habits of young men and women at feeding time.

The monitor system, the student council and various details of school routine that a newcomer should know will be explained by student speakers at a meeting in the auditorium during sixth hour.

Miss Hatch will be in charge of this pre-induction conference, which probably will continue for three days.

#### MRS. SPRING'S DEATH SHOCKS AND SADDENS WESTPORTERS

Students and faculty were shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Mrs. Margaret V. Spring, wife of Harling A. Spring, director of vocal music.

Dr. Beattie and the Rev. Stuart M. Paterson of the Westport Presbyterian church where Mr. Spring is choir director paid her high tribute in the funeral service held Tuesday, April 11. "She had lived more fully in the years allotted to her than many who have lived to be two or even three times older," said Mr. Paterson.

Mrs. Spring had many friends among faculty members, all of whom testify to her gracious personality and unselfish devotion to others. She won the deep and sincere affection of church associates for her fine Christian spirit and faithful service in the cholr.

Westporters extend their heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Spring and little Bobby in their dark hour.

#### SUMMER SCHOOL TO OPEN JUNE 12 FOR EIGHT WEEKS

For a period of eight weeks, beginning Monday morning, June 12, Westport doors will be open to pupils enrolled in summer school. The junior college summer session will be held in the Junior College building during the same period.

High school students may enroll for one or two subjects at \$8 per subject, or for non-residents and persons over 21, \$12. Each completed subject will receive one credit.

Those in the junior college division can earn up to eight hours of college credit at the cost of \$5 for registration and \$4 for each credit hour of study.

A class will not be organized in any subject unless at least sixteen pupils are enrolled for that course. A list of the subjects offered will be announced soon.

All enrollments must be approved by the applicants' principals. On opening day payments will be made in full in the Westport office and checks should be made out to the Board of Education.

For additional information about summer school, see Miss Hatch or Mr. Holloway.

The Pundits will be hostesses at the annual Pundit-Promethean tea, May 5. It will be held at the regular club meeting.

Frances and Lucille Nekuda appeared on the Easter program of the Clef club.

Orion Mehus played a violin solo at the Red Cross luncheon given last Thursday at the Hotel President.

## Our Contemporaries

A loan fund has been established in Boys' High School, Atlanta, Ga. A student who needs carfare or lunch money in an emergency may borrow any amount up to 25 cents. The interest is 1 cent on a quarter for three days and 5 cents per day thereafter.

More than half of the eighty pupils in the Pittsburg, Kas., high school who voluntered for farm work during the summer are girls. This is explained by the fact that many boys already have jobs or soon will be in the armed forces.

The University Daily Kansan lists only two men as members of the news staff. Women have all of the positions on the editorial and the business staffs.

The student court on Thursday, March 30, sentenced one student to two mornings for causing a disturbance in the halls.—Lewis and Clark Journal, Spokane, Wash.

"Teen Square" is the name selected for the youth center opened April 7 in Butte, Mont. High school students and V-12's in the state School of Mines are eligible for membership.

Students in Lindblom high, Chicago, brought in 46,600 lbs. of scrap paper, an average of 14 lbs per pupil, in a recent paper drive.

Cautioning students that any blood on the ballots would make them difficult to tabulate, the Marshall News of Marshall high, Chicago, recently started a poll to settle the Sinatra-Crosby question.

Two first prizes of \$25 each and two second prizes of \$10 in war stamps each will be awarded the boy or girl in Reading, Penn., high school who brings in the greatest number of prepared tin cans in one month.

The Westport High School Melody Boosters, who recently became members of the Missouri Federation of Music Clubs, have announced the following pupils who received superior rating in the contest recently held by the Missouri Federation:

Lucille and Frances Nekuda, piano; Stanley Hoffman, violin; John Irwin, cornet; and Glenn Todd, trombone.

A musical program will be presented in assembly sixth hour Friday by a group of students in the Warrensburg State Teachers College.

Dr. Michael Coleman, speaker in assembly March 16, sent his "greetings and affection to all the grand young people" he saw at Westport, in a letter received last week by Miss Hatch. He wrote from Victoria, British Columbia.

## Pan American Day Observed in Assembly

Celebrating Pan American Day, students from Miss Shelley's Spanish classes endeavored to broaden knowledge of Latin American customs through songs, dances, and a quiz in the assembly last Thursday.

After a reading of Mayor Gage's proclamation by Morton Galitsky and a discussion of the importance of Pan American Day by Elizabeth Viscofsky, Marilyn Haggard, acting as mistress of ceremonies, led a quiz on Latin American customs. Participants in this were Betty Taff, Verna Murfin, Barbara Young, Jeanne Whitney, Gene Gerber, Tom Elliott, Morton Galitsky, Pete Kinsey, and Elizabeth Viscofsky. Highlighting this portion of the program was the portrayal of the meeting of two Spanish speaking gentlemen on the street, enacted by Morton Galitsky and Pete Kinsey.

Jeanne Whitney was a charming violet vender as she sang "La Violetera." "Poinciana," sung by Verna Murfin, made an immediate hit with the audience, and Beverly Van Bibber's presentation of a typical South American dance was accalimed rapturously, especially by "los caballeros" of the audience.

A chorus of girls from the Spanish classes dressed in Latin peasant costumes sang "Las Mananitas," "Las Estrellas," and "Adios Muchachos."

#### SECOND PRE-INPUCTION CONFERENCE FRIDAY, MAY 12

The second pre-induction conference for boys who are nearing the induction age will be held Friday, May 12, in the Junior College auditorium. It will be an all-day meeting.

Information will be given on induction requirements, relationship with the draft boards, and officer training. Another conference will be held at night for those who are unable to attend the daytime conference.

Organizations sponsoring this conference are the Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, American War Dads, parochial schools, Office of Civilian Defense, the public schools.

#### SHORTHAND AWARDS

The following awards have been won in the beginning shorthand classes:

Annette McEwen, Deborah Stein, Dorothy Veilbig, Betty Grotzinger, Betty Dickerson, Hermine Levikow, Mary Lunberg, Frances Nekuda, Phyllis Newman, Marilyn Sejnost, Millicent Sheets, Ometa Seiglin, Mary Thompson, Mildred Ulmer, Shirley Werner, Barbara Duggins, 60: Barbara Golden, Jean Wade, Jeanne Whitney, Maurine Filson, Garnet Briant, 80.

In the advanced class, the following awards have been made:

La Vaughn Laird, 80; Jane Riche, Jeanne Wilkinson, 100; Doris Heerwald, Norma Kindsvater, 120.

## Up and Down the Corridors

Eddy Myers has other talents besides his boxing and wrestling skill. He is also proficient at metal work. He has made two iron candleholders for Miss Beck.

Miss Bechtel recently dissected four frogs which were studied enthusiastically by the human science classes. Many interesting facts were revealed by this experiment, although the purpose was to study nerves and their location.

Shop boys have built a book-case for room 303. It has been painted green by Bill McMahon and several other boys. Miss Beck plans to decorate it with peasant-flower designs and display interesting flower arrangements and art pieces on the shelves.

Bob Culver, who attended Westport last year, visited recently while on an Easter vacation from St. Paul, Minn.

Several of Miss Beck's art students are working on illustrations to be submitted in competition with drawings by students in other schools for use in the third grade text book, "The History of Kansas City."

Mary Collins, '43, was home from Stephen's College during the Easter holidays.

Merlyn Stenger, '43, returned from K. U. recently and visited the "Tiger Den."

Jane Ann Nunn, '43, is giving a tea for her friends from Westport and Monticello.

The Tiger Den needs mirrors, comfortable chairs, small tables, settees and games of all kinds. Gifts of such articles will be greatly appreciated.

Reporters for the last assembly were Doris Heerwald and Bonnie Lee Wilhelm.

The P.T.A. luncheon will be held at the home of Mrs. J. J. Lane, 732 Valentine road, Tuesday, April 25, at 12:15 o'clock. The regular P.T.A. meeting will follow at 3 o'clock in the school.

Each member of the Jules Guerin art club is making four Mother's Day cards. Material was furnished by the Junior Red Cross. The cards will be sent to servicemen in time to be delivered on Mother's Day. Masterpieces of the week displayed this month are a watercolor painting of a woman's costume by Bob Halloway, and a pen and ink interpretation of a photograph of a man's face by Earl Graff.

The members of the three committees in charge of the Tiger Den will continue in their positions throughout the summer. Seniors will be replaced by members of the executive board of the student council.

Miss Wilhite recently received a Vmail letter from Robert Tatum, '38, with the army in Italy. The former art student had drawn on the letter a pen and ink picture entitled "Invaded." It showed a small child, holding a doll and crying, in the midst of shattered buildings.

Miss Wilhite's sister, from the East has been visiting her. They attended the play, "Nothing But the Truth."

Friday evening, May 5, is the date of the annual Pundit Clay party. It will be an informal program dance.

Civics pupils in Miss Gales' third and sixth hour classes will conduct a panel on juvenile delinquency and a "down" similar to a spelling bee about current events for the annual banquet of social science teachers.

The "lonesome Westporters" club of Corpus Christi, Tex., mentioned a few issues ago, has a new member, Eugene Shearer, son of Mr. Shearer, aeronautics and physiography teacher here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hale visited the school April 6 to say goodbye to their friends on the faculty. They are leaving Kansas City to make their home with their daughter in Jackson, Mich. Mr. Hale retired from active teaching three years ago after thirty-three years' service as a member of the Westport faculty.

Aeronautics students in room 309 are delving into the mysteries of navigation, the science that answers two very important questions for the aviator, namely, how do I get from here to there, and where am 1? Special attention is given "dead reckoning" which makes use of time, speed, distance and direction. The biggest problem in all air navigation is how to counteract wind drift. Other systems of navigation that have been studied are air pilotage or flying by means of visual land marks on the ground, radio navigation, and celestial navigation.

## Among our Servicemen

Sgt. Marvin Hansberg, '36, is stationed at the Western Signal Corps Training Center, Camp Kohler, Calif.

Naval Air Cadet Jack Hoopes, who was graduated in January, is stationed at Parkville, Mo.

A/S Robert Stair, '43, who enlisted in the navy in December, is in training at Park College, where he will spend two semesters.

Bob Perkins, S.F.C., visited April 11. He has been training in radar work,

Robert E. Vick, '43, an A.S.T.P. enlistee, is stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood with the Army Engineers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Means attended the graduation exercises at an army aviation base in Oklahoma Saturday, when their son, Bill, received his wings. Another son is an engineer, stationed in Oahu, H. T.

Jack Booth, '41, was awarded his pilot's wings and a lieutenant's commission in the Army Air Corps Saturday at the bomber training school in Pampa, Tex. His mother, Mrs. John N. Booth, and his sister, Mrs. Fred R. Heryer, were present at his graduation.

Lt. Ralph Morrow, '41, a co-pilot on a B-25, is stationed somewhere in England.

Pfc. Gibson Hart has been stationed in Tennessee since completing his engineering course at Ohio State University.

Pvt. John Pumphrey, '41, has been transferred to General MacArthur's Headquarters in New Guinea.

Bob and Al Fitzmier, both '36, recently visited parents and friends in Kansas City. Bob has been in the navy for three years and has traveled around the world. His ship was among several subjected to air attack by the Japs near Singapore.

Commenting on his experiences he said that he had seen so much cruelty and misery in the past three years that he could hardly call the world civilized any more.

Al Fitzmier was graduated from the University of Michigan, where he specialized in marine engineering. He is a lieutenant, j.g., U. S. Navy and is stationed at Brooklyn, New York. The brothers won football letters in high school, and both played baseball in the Ban Johnson league. Debaters



Top row, Leon Levin, Marybelle Wright, Jim Lenk, Edla Carlson, Marilyn Orr, Tom Skalitzky, Ed Davis, Eugene Gerber, Jack Miller. Front row, Marilyn Haggard, Phyllis Ahl, Jean Wilkinson, Sheryl Holland, Virginia Wright.

Not pictured, Al De Shong, Joy Sandsteadt, Charles Averill, Stuart Talcroft, Charles Hulse, Rita Terry, Ted Foote.

Debating at Manual, Southwest, Rockhurst, Wyandotte, Paseo, and North Kansas City, students from Mr. King's public speaking classes were selected to represent Westport in a series of bouts in American or senate styles.

Starting shortly after Christmas, the debates continued through March. The usual procedure followed was for each school to send either an affirmative or negative team to the opposing school.

The American style debate uses two students with a 10-minute constructive speech and a 5-minute rebuttal. The senate type requires four, each of whom has a 4-minute constructive, after which the rebuttal is thrown open in open forum style.

"Resolved: That the United States Should Join in the Reconstitution of the League of Nations," the national debate question for this year, presented great opportunities for the debaters. The time was particularly ripe for the consideration of such a question because within the past few months much discussion in Congress and between Allied nations had concerned this topic,

Newspapers, magazines and current books were found invaluable in the preparation of the debaters' arguments. However, logic and analogies were found to be more usable than the use of authorities.

Study of Central and South American countries in Miss Brubaker's classes culminated in special activities on Pan American Day.

The names of Barbara and Beverly Waltner were omitted unintentionally from the list of the new members admitted to the Jules Guerin Art club.

#### TEXTILE EXHIBIT DISPLAYED IN CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Selections from the High School Textile Exhibit were displayed in the clothing department last week. One feature of the exhibit consisted of a box of clothing contributed by Mrs. James Himrod, which included the pair of shoes worn at her wedding in 1870, a pair of knee-length open drawers trimmed in home made lace, a sandalwood fan in vivid colors, and hoops used to give the buffant effect to the hipline of dresses in the "gay nineties" period.

A most interesting garment was an Hungarian peasant dress donated by Miss Jessie Griffith, one of the first sewing teachers at Manual Vocational high school, upon her retirement. It was given to her by a missionary from Bulgaria. A pair of gay red and white mittens made by a Russian princess received much attention.

In the textile section were handknit sweaters, hand-woven towels and scarfs, a Javanese Batik piece, two panels of Chinese framed pieces, and one Godet figure.

#### TYPING AWARDS

The following pupils have won typing awards: 60, Jocelyn Carter, Jeanne Wilkinson, Bernadine Heinrich; 50, Robert Showalter, Annette McEven, Gloria Stanard; 40, Irvin Block, Betty Golding, Ellsworth Clark, Donald Ogilvie, Barbara Taff; 30, Milton Hellman, Beverly Thomas, Dorothy Crabtree, Winifred Copeland, Alice Byrne, Alice Wipple, Eleanore Boyer, Shirley Engelhardt, Anita Boresow, Beverly Thomas; 20, Lillian Flom, Betty Genn.

## Party to Climax Missouri Latin Week

The Third Missouri Latin Week will be observed from April 16 through April 22. Dr. W. C. Korfmacher, of the University of St. Louis is promoting the celebration.

Last year Westport received recognition for its activities to arouse an interest in Latin. An assembly was put on by the Latin department and mimeographed copies of medical terms, songs, and passages from the Bible, all in Latin, were distributed. Several weeks ago, because enrollments had to be completed by the middle of March, groups of six students toured neighborhood grade schools and explained the uses of Latin today and about the urgent need for the study of Latin now.

Missouri Latin Week is intended to create an interest in the study of the classics and to convince students and parents of the need for Latin today. The history of the United States so closely parallels that of the Roman civilization that one cannot say Latin and Roman history are out-dated. The frequency of Latin in our vocabulary makes it live on, and, until our language is radically changed, it will continue to exist. And the enjoyment people get out of reading the same stories and poems that Greek and Roman folk read thousands of years ago is still keen-enough so that classical works are studied in English courses in high schools and colleges today.

To climax Missouri Latin Week, the Latin club is sponsoring a party. An interesting program has been planned, and there will be a small exhibition and refreshments. Each member may bring two guests who are interested in Latin.

#### Garrett Argues for Dog Pound at Swope Before City Lawmakers

As part of their efforts toward the establishment of a new refuge for stray dogs in Swope park, six members of Miss Cannon's civics classes attended a council committee meeting in the City Hall recently.

Speakers at the meeting were Mrs. Fenby Webster, sponsor of the petitions for a new Kansas City pound, and Mrs. Irene Castle McLaughlin, who operates an animal refuge called "Orphans of the Storm" near Chicago. Tom Garrett, one of the group of freshmen who attended, presented arguments showing why the pound should be built in Swope park. Other members of the group were Donna Kindsvater, Betty Thorp, Shirley Ulton, Bob Wiggins, and Richard Knisely.

Monitors



No. 1, top row, left to right: Robert Stuckert, Betty Bopp, Shirley Engelhardt, Duke Montgomery, Robert Showalter: second row, Rita Terry, Elizabeth Viscofsky, Phyllis Baird, Martha Bauder; third row, Ruthelene Eaton, George Dalton, Billy Jean Jones, Erma Jean Rehkop, Betty Lou Pierce; bottom row, Dorothy Terry, Dorothy Hubbard, Maxime Dickson, Edris McCarthy.

No. 2, top row, left to right: Bob Miller, Bob Spencer, Mary Francis Smart, Patsy Andrus, George Landes; second row, Beverly Eaton, Helen Spencer, Billy Jean Jones, Marion Clement, Beverly Englehart, Sonja Buffington: third row, Florence Swarner, Mary Alice Nelson, Pat MacDonald, Marylin Tidd, Jocelyn Carter, Margaret Walrod, Grace Davis; bottom row, Shirley Maloney, Martha Weber, Eleanor Boyer, Elaine Worcester, Dorothy Hubbard, Anabell Hurley, Pat Walz.

No. 3, top row, left to right: George Reasor, Russell Sublette, Betty Lou Ray, Bob Webb, Robert O'Nelll; second row, Allan Bennett, Lois Pendleton, Elizabeth Viscofsky, Stanley Bushman, Mary McCord, Morton Galitzsky; third row, Jolcie Rule, Josephine Miller, Myra Clemmens, Marjorie Walthall, Jeanne Wiedenman, Doris Kimble; fourth row, Dorothy Terry, Nancy Barnes; Betty Hazen, Mary Helen Kelley, Florence Hagstrom, Doris Kimball; bottom row, Bob Chafee, Jo Ann Davidson, Barbara Baine, Louella Hause, Garnet Briant, Phyllis Newman,

No. 4, top row, left to right: Bill Usher, Robert Hardsaw, Jack Jester, Bill McMahon; second row, Marilyn Sejnost, Regina Nichols, Charmaine Gile, Gwendolen Borener, Marion Norman; third row, Jane Riche, Bonnie Perry, Mary Elizabeth Perry, Peggy Brandenberg, Bob Zucco; bottom row, Norma Dehmer, Cherie Shipley, Florence Smart, Dorothy Collins, Catherine McKim, Margaret Wager.

## Military Ball Will LiveLonginMemory

Cadets resplendent in refurbished uniforms, lovely girls in long formals, the enticing music of Earl Coleman's band—these will be lasting memories of the annual R.O.T.C. ball which will be held Friday night in the front corridor transformed with brilliant decorations.

The crowning event will be the presentation of the queen of the ball, already chosen by the vote of the third year men. According to tradition, the name of the lucky girl is sort of a military secret, which the officers have not disclosed, except to their most intimate friends. When the queen is enthroned she will receive a gift from the officers.

Invitations have been sent to the personnel of the military personnel— Lt. Col. Edward W. Bondy, P. M. S. & T.; Capt. Wallace J. Little, Colonel Poynter, Lt. Colonel LaChaino, the instructors and cadet commanders of the various R.O.T.C. units in the Kansas City high schools and to Mr. Holloway and Mr. Harris and their respective wives.

Refreshments will be served by members of the M. M. A.

## CITY TO GIVE TESTS FOR CLERKS, TYPISTS, STENOS

Examinations to establish eligible lists of clerks, typists, and stenographers to fill vacancies in the city government are to be given by the personnel department of the City Hall.

Anyone wishing to compete in specific open competitive examinations must file an application form with the personnel department before April 24, 1944. These forms may be obtained by applying by mail or in person to the personnel department on the twelfth floor of the City Hall.

The following positions are open:

Clerks, salaries from \$960-\$1440 per year.

Senior clerks, salaries from \$1260-\$1740 per year.

Senior clerk typist, salaries from \$1260-\$1740 per year.

Senior clerk stenographer, salaries from \$1260-\$1740 per year.

The desired qualifications:

Clark, 18 years of age, completion of high school, and a course in commercial subjects.

Senior clerk, 21 years of age, completion of high school, and a course in commercial subjects. Office experience desired.

Senior clerk typist, same as senior elerk including ability to type 60 words a minute.

Senior clerk stenographer, same as senior clerk typist including ability to take dictation at rate of 120 words per minute.

#### Playday Contestants to Be Chosen in Gym Classes

Competition for places on the team which will be entered at the girls' individual sports day at Paseo started last Monday. The program will consist of contests in swimming, tennis, badminton, and aerial darts. Individual sports managers are Ella Carlson, Betty Rea, and Barbara Taff.

The volleyball tourney will be concluded shortly and the all-star ratings awarded.

After-school baseball is scheduled to start about May 1.

#### Army Life Fine for Inductees Says Miss Hatch

In a recent talk to the War Information Group, Miss Hatch related her experiences at Fort Leavenworth. She expressed amazement at the amount of illiteracy among the draftees, and described the daily routine of the men, especially emphasizing that the first distinction made among the men was between those who had graduated from high school and those who had not.

Ability to use English is one of the most important requirements. Another point Miss Hatch stressed was the fact that when a call came for men who were qualified for special work, such as truck drivers, cooks, and mechanics, these positions are filled by the men who best meet the requirements.

Miss Hatch also described the procedure of getting uniforms and equipment, and told of the many recreational facilities provided by the government. All things considered, Miss Hatch expressed the opinion that Uncle Sam's boys were well taken care of, and were gaining invaluable experience.

#### WOODSHOP PUPILS WORK ON DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Boys in the woodworking department are making a tool kit and a combination tool kit and coping saw rack as a demonstration project for Mr. Pickens, city supervisor of industrial arts. George Evans has completed a lovely walnut telephone table and Gil McMahon has finished a coffee table. James Reeves, a freshman, has built a tugboat with an engine, an exceptionally good piece of work.

In the drafting department most of the beginners are working on architectural drafting and a few are working on advanced machine drawings of cans and spur gears.

The Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery will be glad to provide guided tours during the remainder of April and May. Arrangements may be made by calling Mrs. Mary Louise Clifton, Director of Junior Education, at Gallery.



American Sailors and Coast Guardsmen must face any kind of weather without flinching. In the heaviest of storms and the wildest of gales they must carry on with their appointed tasks. They've got to be tough and able to take it but their job is made easier for them by the sturdy Navy raincoats they wear. Only \$5.00 in War Savings Stamps will equip a man of the sea with a raincoat to help him weather any storm.



The school children of the nation have joined in the war on the Axis through the Schools At War Program. They are helping to sell War Bonds and Stamps, salvage scrap, aid Civilian Defense and other war activities. Their contributions will be recorded in school scrapbooks and exhibited throughout the country. Every school participating in the program will receive a certificate of service from the Treasury Department.

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#### 3 Westporters Appear in Concert

John Irwin, Stanley Hoffman, and Glen Todd participated in a concert at Edison Hall Wednesday, April 12. Sponsored by the Federated Music Clubs of America. The outstanding students from the Conservatory of Music, the University of Kansas City, and private teachers took part. John played the Carnival of Venice on his cornet, Glen, a trombonist, the Stentorian Polka, and Stanley, a violin solo, Vavaldi Concerto. All three were highly lauded by the many experts present. Miss Onesworth was the accompanist.

The third program in the "Our Latin-American Neighbors" series of in-school broadcasts will be presented by pupils of Éast high school and will be on the subject, "Chile," April 19.

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## Seniors Vote to Hold Exercises on June 7

Graduation exercises will be held in the Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium Wednesday evening, June 7, as originally planned. A proposal to change the date to Monday, June 12, was rejected by the seniors last Thursday.

The principal speaker at the commencement exercises will be Frank Land, founder and general secretary of DeMolay. The music will be furnished by the Westport orchestra and a senior chorus.

The number of candidates for graduation this year has greatly decreased. One cause of this decrease is the number of boys who have joined the armed forces. Many boys and girls have also been led astray by the glitter of high-paying jobs. Another important reason for the diminishing number of graduates is the fact that many students who would have graduated from Westport are now attending Lillis high, which was organized four years ago, and this year presents its first graduating class.

The mortarboard caps, which the prospective graduates will wear on senior day, are being made by the PTA, and will be sold for 10 cents each. Outstanding seniors will receive service and scholarship awards in the traditional senior assembly, May 26.

## Youth Council Takes Over Management of Tiger Den

The Youth Council, organized to take over the management of the Tiger Den, chose George Reasor and Charles Frizzell co-chairmen and Emma Schuler, secretary, in an election held Wednesday, April 26.

The twelve members of the council will act as the floor committee. Two or more of the committee will be on duty while the den is open to see that the rules are observed. They have authority to take possession of membership cards of offenders who refuse to cooperate after the first warning.

The Youth Council is composed of the following students:

Edla Carlson, Douglas Humphreys, Leon Levine, Gloria Sackmann, Joy Carnahan, Ted Noles, Jimmy Littrell, Gail Goodrich, Margie Stauffer, George Reasor, Chuck Frizzell, Emma Schuler.

They will serve for the rest of the school year and during the summer.

## Waste Paper Drive to Start Monday

Cooperating in the U. S. Victory Waste Paper Campaign, Westport will participate in the school salvage program. An all school drive will start next Monday under the direction of Mr. Means.

Increasing military and civilian demands for waste paper and diminishing collections in March have caused such a critical situation that Donald Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, appealed to the Association of School Administrators for aid.

Every one of the 700,000 items shipped overseas takes with it some form of paper in its package or its very construction. This paper is lost forever for reprocessing by American mills. Even the cessation of hostilities would not greatly increase domestic pulp production for some time because of the great time lag between woodcutting and paper making.

Because gasoline, tire and truck shortages have forced many peacetime collectors out of business, the task of sorting and bundling different kinds of waste paper must be taken over by the housewife, and the job of bringing the paper to central locations is assigned to the schools.

The following suggestions for preparing paper for easy handling are offered by Mr. Means:

Sort different kinds of paper— magazines, newspapers, wrapping pa-per, cartons—and tie them in separate bundles, Greasy paper and paper coated with paraffine cannot be used.
 Fold newspapers flat and tie them in bundles about 12 inches high.

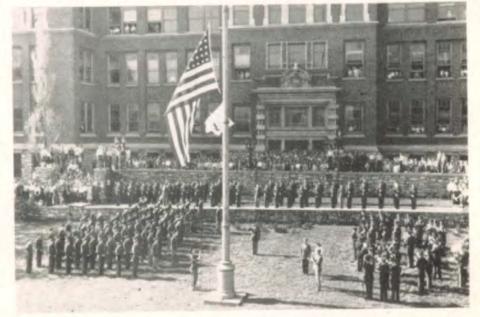
3. Tie magazines in bundles about 18 inches high.

4. Flatten out corrugated and card-board boxes and cartons and tie them in bundles about 12 inches high.

All bundles should be brought to room 3 in the east basement, where they will be stored until they are picked up by dealers.

The proceeds of all paper sales will be used to help balance the Crier-Herald budget. On account of increased costs, the income from the usual sources has not been sufficient to meet the expenditures of the school publications.

## Minute Men Flag Raised in Colorful Ceremony



As the stirring strains of the national anthem filled the air, the Minute-man treasury flag slowly ascended the flagpole early Monday morning in a colorful ceremony held on the lawn in front of the school.

The student body assembled before first hour to witness the formal flagraising. The entire ROTC battalion and the school band added a patriotic atmosphere to the ceremony.

The treasury banner was presented

by Jane Balfour, president of the War Stamp Council, to Jimmy Littrell, student council president, who then formally presented the flag to Maj. Bob Ferber. After the national anthem, Capt. Lester Brackenbury led the student body in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The Minute-man treasury flag was presented to Westport for distinguished service in the purchase of war bonds and stamps.

## Each Pound of Paper Is a Weapon of War

There is a potential round of ammunition stored in your attic in that pile of old magazines laid away up there. A couple of dozen soldiers' pith helmets might have been made from that big stack of newspapers heaped in the corner of your basement. When those papers were burned at your house the other day, a couple of big boxes used for transporting food to the troops were virtually destroyed.

Paper is valuable to the war effort. Merely by conserving the paper you use, and turning paper after you have used it into the paper drive, you may be able not only to hasten the war effort, but also to help relieve the paper shortage on the home front.

It takes very little effort on your part, yet you render a great service to your country when you contribute waste paper to the drive. Your bundle of paper may furnish just the last needed impetus to boost the invasion over the top and on to victory. Contribute your bit to the waste paper drive!

## It Sez Here

Greetings, fellow stude's, on this, the 23rd day before ye senior class departs. If you doubt this statement, just ask Marion Hammond to let you see his pocket calendar. Nora Russell, Beverly Pratt, Pat Goudie and P-Nut Mackay are wondering if they can get their junk heap in running order by then. Frankly, we have our doubts.

Ah yes, Spring is definitely here - Kenny Britt and Doris Rollins are positive proof of that. Jeanne Wiedmann and Helen Dodds officially recognized this season by discarding skirts and sweaters and appearing in cotton dresses last week. From the attention they got, we imagine more gals will change styles soon.

Bob Schowengert and Colleen Dollison have joined the ranks of happy couples in "tee" shirts. (Matching of course).

Our connoisseurs of tennis have had their dreams thwarted and their spirit dampened for a couple of weeks now by rain.—Speaking of rain, those kids who ride the Thirty-ninth street "dinky" to school insist that they dive off and swim home every night.

Jack Sevier with his lizard and Buddy Tribbey with his snap-turtle named "Homer" are two of the main attractions at the Den. Incidentally, Wallace C. Tipper, Jane Riche's rabbit, has picked up a few bad habits and is now looking for a new home.

Now that the ROTC ball is over, we officially announce Eileen Wright as queen. Congratulations!

If the fiend who keeps playing "Yes Indeed" on the juke box at the Den doesn't have a change of heart, he's going to be responsible for a number of insanity cases. (Advertisement).

Virginia Church is thinking about opening a cafeteria at her house. The number of people who drop up for lunch increases every day.

Well, kids, that's all for now-I'll see "ya."

#### THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the annual Shenandoah Valley Apple Blossom Festival. W. A. Ryan of Winchester, Va., conceived the idea in 1924, after a visit through the principal apple growing region in the United States.

In 1765, the first medical school in America was started by Dr. Morgan and Dr. Shippen. The school, then known as the College of Philadelphia, now is the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania.

Today is a holiday in Poland; a holiday now held in secret for it was this day in 1791 that the Constitution of Poland was adopted.

#### IN THE ARMY

(Items found in various Army magazines.)

Soldier: "For two cents I'd kiss you."

Blonde: "Do you have change for a nickel?"

"I can drive this jeep like lightning."

"Yeah, always striking trees."

K. P.: "A mouse fell in that milk." Cook: "Did you take it out?"

K. P .: "No, but I put the cat in."

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## Our Contemporaries

"Nine Girls," was the play presented at Colby, Kas.

The faculty members of Los Gatos, Cal., presented a floor show at a recent "Gringo Fiesta" and provided plenty of entertainment. That's something we've yet to see!

The student council in Pittsburg has started a contest to rid the school of mice. Prizes of \$1, 75 cents and 50 cents will be awarded the most successful mice catcher.

The juniors of McPherson high school have chosen Maytime as the theme of their regular Junior-Senior formal banquet.

San Bernardino high school recently held a "faculty baby pictures" contest, in which students tried to identify baby pictures of their teachers. Three dollars in war stamps was offered for the most nearly correct list.

In Chicago, Butcher Louis Harris found his Greek customers could never remember his name, so he changed it back to Elias Haralampopoulus.

Third year art students of Eugene. Ore., are carving bas-relief panels showing high school activities. When completed they will be presented to the student body to be mounted in the halls.

## Contest Prizes Awarded at Joint Meeting of Clubs

Orations and the presentation of prizes to the winners in the Pundit literary contest were the featured events at the joint literary club meeting Friday, April 21.

Sherry Holland, Pundit; Marybelle Wright, Promethean; Tom Doty, Irving; Stuart Taicroft, Clay, were the participants in the oration contest sponsored by the Clay club. The judges were Miss Trotter and Mr. Ward. The prize of \$2, to which each club donated 50 cents, was awarded Stuart for the best oration.

Bette Bright announced the winners in the Pundit Literary Contest. The contest was divided into three divisions—poetry, short stories and essays. First prizes were awarded Barbara Pollard, Promethean; Virginia Wright, Promethean; and Jean Suffill, Pundit, respectively in the three divisions. Second ratings were given Ethelmae Craig, Pundit; Doris Klein, Promethean; and Dorothy Cortelyou, Pundit. Third prizes were won by Charles Ferm, Irving; Marilyn Haggard, Pundit; and Eileen Wright, Pundit. Jane Riche and Gail Goodrich, both Pundits, received honorable mention for their poems.

The winners received pocket-book editions of famous novels, short stories, and poems. The judges were Miss Trotter, Miss Wheeler and Mr. Ward.

#### Metal Shop Pupils Rebuild Two Pieces of Equipment

In the metal shop the boys have been making Victory Garden implements of various sorts, including different types of hoes. Charles Gillison completed a lamp bracket composed of fifty individual pieces that extends from six to twenty-four inches.

A drill press purchased after it had gone through a fire has been rebuilt with twenty new parts made in the shop. This task gave the boys in advanced machine work experience. A column 5 feet long and 2¼ inches in diameter was made and after it had been completed it was only 1/5000 of an inch off from one end to the other. A group of boys in sixth and seventh hours got a good deal of experience in completely dismantling and reassembling an engine lathe.

The annual government inspection will be held Tuesday, May 9, from 1 to 4 o'clock. It will consist of a battalion parade, close order drill, extended order drill, physical training. Cadets will be scored on cleanliness, neatness of uniform, and theoretical knowledge.

## Under the Clock

Everyone was anxious to see how Barbara Kelly's and Margie Miller's home-made permanents would turn out. Not bad for 63 cents, we think; at least their hair didn't fall out, as everyone thought it would!

ADVERTISEMENT: Would like to have beautiful girl teach me to boogie. Apply at the Den any night it's open. Ample compensation. Edmund Fink.

Pat Dulaney's friends are glad to see him free again.

Edla Carlson just goes around and asks everyone if they've seen "opportunity." Opportunity for what, Edla?

Jeanne Wiedenmann looked awful purty in that new spring dress the other night.

Buddy Tribbey is the proud possessor of a snap-turtle named Homer.

Congratulate Doris Rollins and Kenny Britt on their latest alliance. Looks pretty good from here.

Virginia Kretz's yellow sweater sees her friends as much as she does, and maybe more.

Nora Russell says she's finally found somebody with some of those little cards she was looking for.

Our prediction for biggest flirt in 1945 is Willeva Farris.

How do you all like that DeMolay pin Betty Hazen's been wearing?

We still say the best looking couple is Seth Gatchell and Marguerite Sherman, especially since Seth donned the Navy blues.

Chuck Frizzell is now called "King Basie" because, it's said, he's better than "Count" Basie.

Pat Kelly and Jean Suffill have acquired a new skill, the art of rolling automobile tires (wherever they get them) along the street.

Either Jane Bucher has a naturally red complexion or she blushes all the time.

The beet-faced boy in the band is Bob Ferber, since Barbara Herber sang "My Heart Tells Me," and looked at him during the whole number.

We wonder if it has anything to do with Eddie or Elizabeth when Gene

Lund keeps muttering, "Wish he'd step out in front of a streetcar."

Have you seen Jane Riche and Norma Dehmer do their "flat back" dance? It's really rare!

There still are some unbelievers who haven't found the water fountain at the Den.

Dottie Crabtree never will volunteer as guinea pig in human science again. A recent smelling test settled that.

The argument over the 12th or the 7th of June for graduation seems to have broken up many beautiful friendships. Don't take it too seriously, kids; it probably won't make any difference.

After beating the Thirty-ninth street bus from school to Main, Donna Kindsvater, Mary Biggio, and Doris Klein have agreed they should go out for track.

Ed Windsor reports that he is "leaving in thirty days." We haven't quite figured out where he is going yet, though.

Bob Matthews and Boo Crouse must have priorities on the ping pong table at the Den.

Duke Montgomery has found new interest, and we don't mean school work.

What and when is this picnic we've been hearing so much about?

Tom Doty claims he has a new philosophy of life. Well, we hope it works better than the old one, Tom.

Speaking of psychology, Stuart Talcroft seems to have changed his too, at least in regard to his school work.

Tim had Margie pretty worried recently when he told her that he was leaving in 60 days. Oh, what a sense of humor!

Rather ironical, don't you think? Eileen Wright's pen name for the Literary contest was Gertrude Goon.

Kissing your sweetheart is like eating soup with a fork—it takes a long, long time to get enough.

The wisest of men are foolish over women, but the most stupid woman is wise to men.

## Dr. Hunt Addresses Message to Boys

To High School Young Men:

This visit I want with you, but if the fairer sex are curious (as I've been told they sometimes are) and want to read this, it will be quite all right. If they do (are you reading, girls?) I'm going to expect that they will help me put over this message. It's most important.

Its writing is prompted by a recent column written by Dorothy Dix appearing in the local press. "Who's Dorothy Dix ?" do I hear you asking ? I assumed you would, as I doubt seriously if any of you fellows read her daily column. Dorothy Dix writes generally on problems of the heart. Did I hear you say, "Oh"? This particular article to which I refer, however; contains no advice to the love-lorn. It is directed to you and is replete with good ideas. Don't leave yet-it's because I'm afraid that you haven't seen it that I want to tell you what Dorothy Dix says.

Responding to a question asked of her, she declares, by a group of high school boys who want to know how they can make themselves attractive to other people and acquire a pleasing personality, she makes these practical suggestions. She urges you to "make yourselves gentlemen," "be clothes conscious," "learn to get along with others and to make friends," "play fair and give and take," "be a good loser as well as a modest winner" and "learn to be a good mixer."

About being a gentleman, Dorothy Dix declares that that is about the finest thing that can be said of you. "Keep it as an objective toward which you are striving," she admonishes. Good manners, it is added, will carry you farther in the world than anything else. Learn how to enter a room without falling over your feet, acquire poise and self-confidence, know what to say when people speak to you, stand when in the presence of a woman, and learn good table manners. How would you rate yourself on these, let me ask?

Select clothes in good taste, wear them carefully, keep them brushed, cleaned and pressed. Others will judge you by your clothes because they are the first thing they notice. One must look the part as well as be it, it is suggested. Sound advice, surely.

Particularly though do I like Dorothy Dix's comments about getting along with others and making friends because surely as she declared, "Not only your happiness but your success in life will depend on this and people will do things for you because they like you that they would not do for you because it is your due." It follows naturally that to make friends one has to be friendly.

## Members of the "Dulcy" Cast



Top row, left to right, Terry, Starbuck, McKim, Sheets, Middle row, Chapman, Bennett, Davis, Foote, Mandl. Bottom row, Miller, Talcroft, Brackenbury, Hunt. Not pictured, Jim Mullis.

Finally, all success in life is founded upon three things—three habits which should be acquired early. They are the habit of industry "which makes work a pleasure, an interest, an excitement that never fails": the habit of finishing whatever is begun—the failures give up what they have started when the sledding gets hard; and the habit of thrift—"how to make money and save it, how to spend money wisely and well so you may be independent yourself and able to help others."

About girls, Dorothy Dix has this to say: "Learn to take girls in your stride. Have plenty of girl friends because they are a pleasure and an education, but don't get serious about them and don't get married until you are settled and able to support a family."

As your friend and well-wisher, let me urge your serious consideration of these excellent suggestions. What's more, you'll do well to follow them. Try and see. Don't you agree, girls?

Faithfully yours, Herold C. Hunt, Superintendent of Schools.

The journalism class of Leavenworth high school has received a letter from the Treasury Department expressing their appreciation to the Patriot for the publicity it is giving to the Schools at War program. The members of the cast of "Dulcy" have memorized the first act and are starting on the second. The following have been chosen tentatively with three roles double cast:

DulcyCatherine McKim
Gordon Smith Lester Brackenbury
William ParkerTed Foote
C. Roger Forbes Ed Davis
Mrs. ForbesRita Terry
Angela Forbes Merres Starbuck
Millicent Sheets
Schuyler VanDyck Jerome Mandl
Thomas SterrettJack Miller
Jim Mulis
Vincent Leach Stewart Talcroft
Blair Patterson Richard Hunt
Chester Bennett
Henry Dick Chapman

Members of the stage cast and the Stage and Screen club have started new stage sets, under the guidance of Mr. King.

#### Classical Association Meets at K. U.

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Classical Association of Kansas and Western Missouri was held at the University of Kansas April 22. Chancellor Dean W. Malott spoke after the luncheon. Included among the speakers on the program following the luncheon were Sister M. Magdalita of Marymount College, Clarence A. Forbes, of the University of Nebraska, whose subject was "Book-of-the-Ages," and F. J. Moreau, dean of the School of Law. Miss Eggleston and Miss Lash attended the meeting.

## Fifty Enroll for Special Farm Training Course

Wanted: The youth of America for essential war work—farming. Excellent opportunities for ambitious high school pupils willing to learn and work at a job that will aid the war effort. Attractive working conditions and wages. Apply Westport High School, branch office of U. S. V. F. V.

This is an appeal to each individual pupil between the ages of 14 and 17 to lend his support to our farmers on the home front. This offer should be considered seriously, for a lack of help on the farms of America this summer will result in a serious shortage of food for our fighting men, our allies, and all at home next winter.

A special training course has been arranged for the forty volunteers who filed applications in the home rooms. Classes on eleven topics concerning farm work and safety will be conducted for enrollees on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 o'clock. Mr. Wheeler will be the instructor. It must be understood, however, that all who enroll may not receive farm placement immediately, as some will be needed only for harvesting.

Although there are many attractive features about working on a farm, all of the volunteers are reminded that it is a job, not a vacation. Youth of America! This is your opportunity to fulfill your professed desires of aiding your country in its hour of need.

Only suitable farm families will be allowed to employ boys and girls. Parents may feel assured that youngsters will be carefully placed and supervised. They are encouraged to see or communicate with farm families with whom their children may be placed.

About seventy farmers and farmerettes presented themselves on Friday at the first meeting of the Agricultural class in room 104. However, about twenty had to leave because they had not turned in applications. Boys outnumbered girls, probably because of the nature of the work. Mr. Holloway and Mr. Wheeler both urged that only those really interested and who planned to follow the work through should attend the classes. Since this was a meeting for organization purposes only, the time of holding the class was the only thing decided. It will meet from 8:10 to 9:10 o'clock on Monday through Thursday. Mr. Wheeler will instruct the class.

The Lake Review, Chicago, reports that the students collected \$1,548.12 for the Junior Red Cross; \$114.20 for the book fund for those in service, and turned in 1,593 books in addition.

## Up and Down the Corridors

Human science students recently saw two motion pictures, in connection with their study of the human ear. The films were entitled "Sound Waves,' and "Fundamentals of Acoustics."

Officers in Miss Gales' sixth hour civics class are Phyllis Roberts, president; Jack Ivey, vice-president; Addie Jacobs, secretary; Nancy Billings, treasurer; Pat Freeman, sergeant-atarms; Nancy Akins, hostess; and Tommy Davis, host.

Ensign Charles E. O'Dowd, of Central high, '43, was a guest at the Den Monday, April 17. He had just received his commission at Atlanta, Ga., and was on fifteen days' leave enroute to San Francisco.

He was much impressed with the Center and said he surely wished they had had something like this when he was at school. Before he left, he gave Mrs. Schuler \$5 and said he just had to do something to help out the good of the cause.

Hats off to Ensign O'Dowd of Central.

Marion Rubin and Maurine Filson participated in a show March 19 called "Deuces Wild," at the Resident Theatre. Marion sang two numbers and Maurine did a tap routine.

Barbara Owen has received a bracelet made of Australian coins from her uncle, Lt. Charles F. Oakley of the Army Air Corps, who is stationed in New Guinea. He is a holder of the D.S.C.

A recent visitor was Miss Mary Lea Glendenning, of the Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo.

Miss Small has charge of softball, and Miss Fairchild has charge of tennis in the girls' second hour gym class.

Crisp, new cotton is being turned into dresses, playsuits, skirts, and blouses in Miss Guffin's clothing classes.

The Latin club sponsored a party in honor of Missouri Latin Week at its last meeting. Charles Mullis dedicated the meeting, then the group sang songs in Latin. Miss Burke, the school nurse, spoke effectively on some of the uses of Latin in the ordinary duties of a nurse, and discussed the language situation in the world. Anita Boresow told some interesting facts about life in ancient Athens and Sparta. Betty Hooker was in charge of the program. A team has been chosen by the Chess club to represent Westport in a tournament with members of the Paseo Chess club. The members are Fred Heim, Dan McDermott, James Howard, and Tom Elliott. Alternates are Ed Davis and Frank Schroeder.

Lieutenant Limpic, '35, and S/Sgt. Charles J. Hiesberger, '36, both have been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in Italy.

Maurine Filson, a first year typing student, has passed her 70-words-aminute test.

Twenty-nine boys have entered the elimination tennis tournament which has been delayed by unfavorable weather. The number of under-classmen who signed up is gratifying to Mr. Fristoe, who always is looking forward to next year's team. It is not too late for netsters to see Mr. Fristoe in room 219 and sign up for the tournament.

Don Fitzpatrick, a senior, spent several strenuous days last week on flood duty with Company A of the 3rd Missouri regiment. Working day and night, the Kansas City militiamen saved the dykes 27 miles from Excelsior Springs. By strengthening weak places with sand bags and bales of hay they helped prevent the river from inundating thousands of acres of valuable farm land.

Several girls from the advanced clothing classes have volunteered to aid at the Red Cross headquarters. There is a pressing necessity for bandages. Because of war conditions there is a shortage of bandages in England, so a heavier burden is placed on the other Allied nations. With the coming invasion, the United States and Canada will have a much larger quota to fill.

Some of Miss Beck's students are making posters for the Nutrition Service of the American Red Cross.

#### TYPING AWARDS

Typing awards for this month have been won by the following:

80: Betty Thatcher; 70: Maurine Filson; 60: Jean Wade, Emma Schuler, Sophia Barash, Norma Kindsvater, Betty Bedford; 50: Ruth O'Bester, Peggy Brandenburg, Martha Sue Johnson, Marjorie Taylor, Sonnet Brant, Ione Conley, Elizabeth Davis, Margaret Ekholm; 40: Ruby Alli, Elizabeth Wolff, Martha Sue Johnson, Wélma Westerdahl; 30: Rene Sutoris, Shirley Bertram, Eugene Gerber, Lillian Flum, Viola Kamphaus, Sanford C. Traxler, Edward McLeroy; 20: Jimmle Harvey.

## Among our Servicemen

CharlesH. Shanklin, '43, Army Air Corps, now at Scott Field, Ill., visited school recently.

Pfc. Rinard G. Davis, '42, and Pvt. Ray Cushing, '42, are at Camp Atterbury, Ind.

Pfc. Clarence Hewlett, '38, onetime managing editor of the Crier, was a recent visitor. He has been transferred to Walker Army Air Field, Victoria, Kas.

Seaman 2/c Bernard Phillips Taggart, '40, whose home base is New Orleans, is on sea duty.

Pvt. James W. P. Pennington, '40, is stationed at Moore Field, Tex.

Sgt. Arthur C. Nelson, '41, U. S. Army Engineers, is stationed in San Francisco.

Cecil Baker, S1/c, is on the U. S. S. North Carolina.

Pvt. John R. Beitling, a student last term, is at the Army Air Corps Training Center at Jefferson Barracks.

Pfc. Herb Bootman, '35, U. S. Army Signal Corps, is training at Camp Kohler, Sacramento, Cal.

Lloyd Thoman, '40, U. S. Army Signal Corps, is in training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Capt. Ed Nelson, '38, Marine Air Corps, has received the Presidential citation for gallantry. He is the pilot of a Corsair plane and has one Zero to his credit.

Jim Newstadt '41, a Marine, has reectived the Presidential citation for his participation in the battle of Tarawa.

Ralph Czarlinsky, '38, was home recently on leave. He is a radio-man in the Army.

Bernard Zimmerman, '41, is now in the Army Medical Corps in Texas.

Calvin Weiss, '39, is attending the medical school of St. Louis University.

Lawrence Stanley Abbot, '38, is in the Army Air Force.

Joe Dickinson, '32, Chief Petty Officer in the Navy, visited school recently on furlough.

Lawrence Cassidy, '42, is on sea duty in the Southwest Pacific. William Bucher, '40, an Army Air Corps lieutenant, is stationed at Boca Raton, Fla.

Pvt. Robert Bennett, '43, has been sent to the Ordnance depot in Atlanta, Ga.

Lt. Paul Sutoris, '30, Army Air Corps, is stationed at San Antonio, Tex.

Pvt. Robert E. Burge, Jr., '42, is an infantryman at Camp Livingston, La.

Jack Steele, '41, is a bombardier in the Army Air Corps.

Chris Tsougas, '41, has just completed Marine boot training in San Diego and will soon return for special training in radio.

Lt. John Limpic, '35, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in the fighting on the Anzio beachhead.

Robert Nesmith, '43, has joined the Navy.

Bill Longmoor, '42, Army Infantry, is stationed at Camp Livingston, La.

Theodore C. Cowell, '41, Army Air Corps, was graduated April 15, 1944, at Douglas, Ariz.

Lynn Chaffee, '41, A. R.T. 3/c, of Corpus Christi, Tex., visited the school April 21.

Floyd Read, '35, is leaving for the Navy May 13.

Milton James, '41, recently home on furlough, has been transferred to Sioux City, Ia., for radio training in the Air Corps.

## Lt. Rusty Wilson Here on Furlough

Second Lt. Rusty Wilson, '41, Army Air Corps, recently visited classes here. Lieutenant Wilson received his basic training at Jefferson Barracks; St. Cloud, Minn.; Santa Ana, Calif.; Wickenburg, Ariz., and Minter, Calif., and was awarded his bars and wings at Marfa, Tex., where he is now stationed, pending transfer to New Mexico as a first pilot. He recommends the study of geology, physics, meteorology, history and English for boys entering Air Corps training.

A luncheon for seniors will be served in the Tiger Den by the PTA on senior day after the award assembly.

## EILEEN WRIGHT CROWNED QUEEN OF ROTC BALL

The rains came, but they didn't dampen the spirits of the cadets and their dates at the ROTC ball, the most successful dance so far this year. The sweet music of Earl Coleman's orchestra, punch and cookies served by the Mothers' Auxiliary, beautiful long formals, glistening brass, and a general good spirit made the party tops.

Eileen Wright, the queen of the ball, was presented with a bracelet as a gift from the officers and Sergeant Metz received a watch from the battalion and a stationery set from the Mothers' Auxiliary as parting gifts. The sergeant is expecting a call for active duty.

The ROTC turned nautical when they embarked for Blue Hills or like places after the ball, but the officers gained by the experience as it accustomed them to water on the occasion of their traditional ducking in the Swope Park lagoon at the ROTC picnic.

## CONCERT WITH RARE INSTRUMENTS PLEASE

One of the most entertaining assemblies held this year was presented by the Essig Concert Group from Central Missouri State Teachers College of Warrensburg on April 21.

Prof. Don Essig, founder of the group, has collected hundreds of rare and unusual musical instruments in the last fifty years. Among them are European fanfare bugles, aluminum organ chimes; Spanish-American, Revolutionary and Civil war instruments; sarrusophone; marimba; cathedral chimes; musical sleighbells; and Chinese instruments.

Outstanding features of the concert were a violin solo by Professor Bleckschmidt; baton twirling by Berdy June Way; and "The Bells of St. Mary's" played on the cathedral chimes.

College students who participated were Frances Berkey, John Berky, Kathryn Rages, Wilbur Schmoll, Esther Straten, and Miss Way.

Jim Mullis introduced G. W. Diemer, president of the college, who spoke briefly, recommending the Warrensburg Teachers College to seniors who plan to continue their education. Prof. A. W. Bleckschmidt assisted Professor Essig, director of the concert.

Lt. William H. Gaylord, '34, on submarine duty in South Pacific waters, has been reported missing in action. Sgt. Raymond C. Ceutghall, '41, also is missing after participating in an air raid over Germany. He was a tail gunner on a Flying Fortress.

## Voices of King's Pupils Preserved on Records

Poems, short stories, messages to far-off friends, selections from the Reader's Digest and jokes, have been recorded in Mr. King's public speaking classes.

Each student purchased a blank record and made a recording of his voice, sometimes requesting a classmate to say a few words on his rec-ord. Every sound in the vicinity of the recording machine's microphone was picked up, sometimes to the embarrassment of the person making the recording. One student, when he be-came a little flustered, forgot what he intended to say. Seeing his record going to waste, he shouled to Mr. King to turn off the machine. "Egad!" he yelled-(or in words equivalent) "Just think! Thirty-five cents!!"-all of which was faithfully set down on the little black disc.

A thoughtful group of public speaking students made a record for one of their absent friends as a remembrance after his induction in the Navy.

One student made a record in Spanish, and several recorded their favorite jokes. Some of the recordings will be sent to other states with messages to friends.

Mr. King has made a record of each of his classes, each pupil contributing a few words. He has done this for several years, and thus his recollection of former students is made more vivid by the intonations of 'their voices.

## P.T.A. Notes

"While Still We Live" was reviewed by Miss Dorethea Hile, of the public library staff at the PTA meeting held April 25.

John Irwin and Stanley Hoffman played two musical numbers. Miss Wilhite and Miss Beck conducted an art demonstration. Some of their students sketched Miss Tengdin in various forms of sketching, such as water color, ink, charcoal, and chalk.

The card party, given by the PTA April 20, at the Tiger Den, netted over \$300. The committee and the entire association were delighted and amazed at the amount taken in. This demonstrates the interest of the parents and people of the community in this project. This money will be used to buy needed equipment for the Den.

About forty parents and teachers attended the luncheon of the PTA at the home of Mrs. J. J. Love April 25. The teachers present were: Miss Cannon, Miss Cook, Miss Jones, Miss Hanna, Mr. Fristoe, Mr. Sloan, Miss Jackson, and Miss Junkin.

## They Issue War Stamps The Principal Explains



## Orchestra and Bands Present Varied Program

The Westport bands and the orchestra presented their nineteenth annual concert in the school auditorium last Friday evening, April 28.

Selections ranging from the classics to the modern swing, the program opened with the junior band playing the National Anthem.

A male quartet composed of Bob Kelley, Earl Moon, Jim Newcomb and Ted Witt, sang a number of negro spiritual and folksongs.

"Gypsy Melodies Overture," "Marche Slav," a new arrangement of "Chopsticks" and the popular "Holiday for Strings" were the orchestra selections. Jerome Mandl, student conductor, directed "Rondalla Argonesa Spanish Dance."

Arrayed in new spring formals, the Girls' Glee club sang several semiclassical and popular songs. Outstanding among these numbers was Cole Porter's "I Love You," with Martha Rush as soloist.

Margaret Walrod, Betty Jo Hardman, Glen Todd, Barbara Herber and Charles Gale were the drum majors twirling to the music of the senior band. After the "Vanquished Army" march directed by Robert Kelley, student conductor, a quartet for cornets, composed of John Irwin, Irwin Block, Charles Edwards and Roy Mabe, closed the concert.

Babette Taylor, '41, recently was initiated into Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific society, at Washington University.

Eugene K. Maun, '42, is one of the students who will receive recognition at the annual Honor Day program of the University of Illinois.

Tom Tibbitts, '36, now a prominent radio singer, attended the concert given by the bands and orchestra.

With regard to making an exception of the rules and permitting Ed Davis to carry a part in the spring play, despite the fact that such participation would increase the number of his activity points beyond the maximum permitted, the Committee on Coordination of Activities makes the following report:

The committee is, in general, opposed to such exceptions and raises the following questions:

- 1. Can a student afford to spend so much time on extra-curricular activities ?
- 2. In a school of this size, is there only one student who can take this part?
- 3. Will this action establish a bad precedent?

However, if the principal thinks best because of the war emergency, or for other reasons, to permit this exception to be made, the committee will yield to his decision.

The committee further wishes that a statement of this decision be made for publication in the Crier.

Florence Totten, Chairman, Committee on Coordination of Activities.

My reason for making an exception in the case of Ed Davis is that the war has upset many of the conditions previously existing. Normally we have many mature students who could take the part in plays. Now many of these students are in military service or in war jobs. Furthermore, the fact that we were forced by heating conditions to have both the fall play and the spring play during the second semester has made the problem greater. If the fall play had been given at the proper time, there would have been no problem of ineligibility .-- D. H. Holloway.

#### Girls View Film Portraying Phases of Nurses Training

Various phases of nurses' training were portrayed in an educational film displayed last Thursday in room 212.

Qualifications of a successful nurse were stressed. A capable, steady, healthy and patient girl who enters nurses' training will have the satisfaction of knowing that she is relieving pain and helping restore health and strength.

Registered nurses now are doing a great work in the armed forces. Besides the civilian nurses there are Navy, Army, and Red Cross nurses who are daily saving the lives of the wounded men and women in the services of our country.

## Pre-Induction Conference to be Held May 12

To acquaint boys with the various processes relating to entering military service is the purpose of the second pre-induction orientation conference to be held Friday, May 12, in the Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium.

All boys who will be graduated in June or in August, unless they have been accepted for army-navy V-12 programs, and all boys who will be 18 years of age prior to September 5, whether or not graduating prior to that date, should attend. Absence from school to attend the conference has been sanctioned by the school board.

Divided into two sessions, 9 a. m. to 12 noon and 1 p. m. to 4 p. m., the program will include the discussion of the following topics:

- Facts Concerning Draft Procedures.
   Facts Concerning Induction Pro-
- cedures. 3. Facts Concerning Branches of Ser-
- vice. 4. Facts Concerning Reception Procedures.
- 5. Facts Concerning Secular and Spiritual Life.
- 6. Facts Concerning Advancement in Service,

In the evening a similar conference will be held for those unable to attend the earlier sessions. The conference is considered highly important by the military forces, the Board of Education, the Office of Civilian Defense, American Legion, American War Dads and the Chamber of Commerce. No boy who is eligible to attend should miss it. The conference staff will include army and navy personnel from Jefferson City, Sedalia, Kansas City, Leavenworth, Olathe and Omaha.

#### RAINFALL ON TWO APRIL DAYS EQUALS ENTIRE MAY QUOTA

Physiography students have been studying maps of the Agassiz plain, Yosemite Valley, Imperial Valley, Grand Canyon, Mt. Shasta, and Niagara Falls. On graph paper they contrasted the height of Mt. Shasta, 14,000 feet, with the height of the Appalachian region, 6,000 feet. While studying waterfalls, they saw a picture on that subject.

Much interest was displayed in the heavy rain over the weekend. Mr. Shearer showed the jagged curve recorded by the barograph about 6 o'clock Saturday night. He explained that the rainfall in two days equalled the rainfall for the entire month of May, the month of heaviest rainfall. He also stated that the heavy rain, hail, thunder, lightning, and rising and falling air currents made flying almost impossible and that all planes had been grounded.

## WAR STAMP COUNCIL CELEBRATES AT MIXER

Rapturously jiving to the newest records, more than 350 freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors mingled happily in the girls' gym at the mixer sponsored by the War Stamp Council April 17. A few boys who were a bit shy about venturing out on the dance floor viewed the fun enviously from the sidelines.

The proceeds of the function were used to purchase the treasury flag and for the war stamp slogan contest prizes.

For the sixth consecutive week the percentage of war stamp buyers has exceeded the minimum required to win the Minute Man flag. On the last Wednesday in April 94 per cent of the pupils present purchased stamps.

## **TRAITOR?**

Every bundle of waste paper burned or thrown away is sabotaging our war effort. But "traitor" paper gets patriotic fast when it's bundled, and turned in to aid the war effort!

U.S. Victory Waste Paper Campaign

## Recreation Center North of 27th Street Proposed

Plans for a recreation center were discussed by parents and city officials Tuesday evening, April 18, at 7 o'clock at a meeting in the Louis George branch library, Twenty-fifth and Holmes streets. Dr. Herold C. Hunt, superintendent of schools, explained the need for a wholesome place where children of high school age could meet during their free time. He mentioned the fine work of the Westport Recreation Center, and expressed the desire for more projects of the same type recreation centers operated by boys and girls, with parental supervision.

Although the Westport-Roanoke Center is doing a fine job, the superintendent pointed out that it does not serve the needs of Westport pupils living north of Twenty-seventh street, and suggested that steps should be taken to establish another center in a location more accessible to many pupils attending Westport, Manual, Central and several parochial schools.

Various suggestions were offered by the parents of children affected by this proposal.

## Freshmen Suggest Some Remedies for Delinquency

The need for home guidance as a remedy for juvenile delinquency was stressed in a panel discussion presented before a meeting of social science teachers last Thursday evening by ten freshmen from Miss Gales' civics classes.

When questioned by one of the teachers from another school as to the work the Tiger Den is doing, the pupils expressed satisfaction with its influence in curbing delinquency in the Westport district.

The problem of employed students was discussed at length. The civics pupils agreed that guidance in the correct use of a student's earnings is needed.

In order not to have a heavy load of homework all on one night, a suggestion was made that the teachers might learn of other assignments and cooperate by spreading out their homework accordingly.

Alice Kram acted as chairman of the group. Tommy Davis, Phyllis Roberts, Jack Ivey, David Milligan, Colleen Farrell, Carol Sue Lefforge, Mary Louise Vess, Robert Stuckert, and Sue Crouch conducted the discussion.

#### MAIRZY DOTES

Cells and nerves and spinal curves And lumbar scoliosis,

- This science will drive us nuts, wouldn't you?
- "What"s and "whys" and ears and eyes,

And stages of mitosis

I tell you it gets us down, wouldn't you?

Now if we sound queer and funny to your ear,

And with your wishes we're not in compliance

It's just that we begin to see

The good in human science.

Frogs and birds and great big words For instance num-skull-osis.

This science is driving us nuts, wouldn't you?

Oh! it's driving us simply nuts, wouldn't you?

-Bertha Boresow.

#### Specimens of Art Work and War Photographs on Display

Eight examples of finger painting done by Miss Beck's pupils are on exhibition in the front hall. They are interesting in both pattern and texture.

The masterpiece of the week is a pastel sketch of a girl in a pinafore. It was sketched and painted in water color by Laura Williams.

On exhibition in the front hall are eleven photographs of an "Air-Sea Rescue" displayed by the British Information Service.

