

Key Club Launches Safety Campaign

Cash Prizes for Winners

The Key Club, having now successfully finished the first half of the year, has its time and energy trained on a safety campaign, which is to take place in late March. The idea of this program was presented to the club by Mr. Cyrus W. Davis, President of the Johnstown A. A. A., who was one of the club's speakers in the early part of the year. It will be a week-long program which will be highlighted by an assembly. The assembly will come shortly after the opening days of the campaign. The burden of the assembly will be carried by the club members themselves. However, steps are being taken to find an interesting speaker for the program.

Driving will be the chief topic stressed in this campaign, with pedestrian safety the secondary subject. The program will be carried to Stutzman and Tioga Street schools where short talks will be given by club members.

For their campaign the club is in search of a good safety slogan. A contest, which will start around the first of March, will be held by the club. All students of W.-U. Y. are eligible, except those belonging to the Key Club. All the slogans will be judged by a board of judges consisting of Mr. Askey, club advisor, a group of club members and two other faculty members. To the winner will go a cash prize of three dollars. All entries must be ten words or less and all slogans become the property of the club. . . . Write ten words or less to make a good safety slogan and three good old American greenbacks can be yours!

On the twenty-fifth of January the Key Club had a double treat by enjoying two fine speakers. The first was Mr. McNally who spoke about the Kiwanis amateur talent show. The second was Dr. Hatch who gave a very interesting talk on the field of surgery.

SENIORS TRY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

For the past five years Seniors at W.-U. Y. have been taking the scholastic examinations given by Juniata College. This year approximately one-third of the Senior Class took the exams. The test is only for those interested in college and future study.

The examinations are given in early fall in high schools and colleges in this state, New Jersey, Delaware and Ohio. The American Council of Education prepares the questions for the students. There are two hundred questions in all; eighty of which are quantitative, the other one hundred and twenty are linguistic. The test is primarily one of speed, for the questions are the type that require quick-thinking and superb accuracy. J. C. Buckle, the Assistant Director of Admissions at Juniata College directs the exams.

In the spring of the year the results of the exams are sent to each school on a chart showing the outcome of our school as compared with that of the other schools. The same test is given the college freshman and high school seniors, but in grading the results, each group is taken separately. Conservatively speaking Westmont's mean has always been higher than that of most of the schools. This year Westmont's highest mark was 177, one of the highest in the state.

Also among the scholarships are those awarded from the NROTC exam. "Moan" Margolis and Renato Rodriguez were chosen for these scholarships which provide for four years of college education. All in all the Senior Class certainly has proved that it is not only high in athletic ability, but also ranks just as high in the mental field.

Junior-Senior Dance

As spring approaches, many of the students of W.-U. Y. turn their thoughts to the Junior-Senior prom. For several years, there has been much controversy concerning this dance because some pupils favor a semi-formal dance open to everyone, and others want a prom for Juniors and Seniors only. A closed dance would mean that everyone in both classes would have to attend to make it a real success. That sort of dance would be free to the couples and the only cost to the boys would be for corsages.

On the other hand, if the dance were open to all, a larger crowd could be expected and those who do not go with any particular girl or boy from Westmont could attend the dance. An open dance would make it necessary for the boys to pay, not only for flowers for their dates, but also for tickets. The members of both classes have been giving these facts, already mentioned, much careful consideration since they are the main arguments, pro and con, of the matter. The main idea behind it all is . . . which will draw the larger crowd? Perhaps if other students in the school would give their opinions on this controversy, a satisfactory solution could be reached. Whether the dance is open or closed to those not Juniors or Seniors, the fact remains that every Senior and Junior should go and support the last big dance of the year. Need we say more? We will . . . at some future date!

Letter from President Truman

Shortly after the recent presidential election Michael Walzer received a letter from the President of the United States,

RENATO RODRIGUEZ WINS AGAIN

Westmont High was well represented by Renato Rodriguez on Monday, January 17, at the quarter finals of "Quizdom Class." Rene matched wits with seniors from other local high schools and when class was dismissed was high with a total of 610 points. Charles Schultz, editor of Southmont High School's yearbook, placed second.

"Quizdom Class" is presented over radio station WJAC every Monday evening at 7:30. The questions asked pertain to school subjects such as English, history, math, spelling, and music. A specified number of points is given each correct answer. Only seniors are eligible to compete and only those successful in the quarter finals may take part in the finals in the spring.

Rene won a suit of clothing as well as a topcoat, and is looking forward to the contest in the spring when the first prize will be a five-hundred dollar scholarship. Everyone will be "rooting" for Rene when those spring finals roll around.

Harry S. Truman. Michael in his private publication, "Between the Lines" commended highly Mr. Truman's platform and political ambitions. Although the columnists and commentators decidedly gave Governor Dewey the edge, Michael felt that Mr. Truman's policy was better. President Truman, after having received one of his publications wrote back to Michael and thanked him for his support. The Yodler offers their congratulations to Michael.

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YOU WERE ONLY LOAFING

(While I Was Studying Hard)

To the tune of "You Were Only Fooling"

You were only loafing,

While I was studying hard;

I would stay home at night, and cram for
the tests—

I was working hard, but you were play-
ing around!

You tried to pass the quizzes,

The teachers kept popping up;

But you were only failing them, while I
was flunking them, too!

Friday Entertainments

A well balanced and entertaining musical program was presented to the students in assembly on Friday, January 14. The performance featured several selections by the high school band, under the direction of Mr. Horner, and a variety of enjoyable solo numbers. The talented artists providing solos included Sharon Bloom and Michael Walzer, each playing piano numbers, Ronald Kelly on the bass horn, Luther Hoffman with a selection on his cornet, and Ivy Trautman with a violin solo. A special number, "Day Is Done," composed by Barbara Yost and dedicated to Westmont-Upper Yoder High School, was played very effectively by the band. The assembly program was concluded by the beautiful strains of the "Alma Mater," written by Mr. Ackley.

The following Friday the pupils were treated to an exceptional program furnished by the members of the Student Council. The members, seated at tables arranged across the stage, presented a cross-section view of their organization in action. To many of the students in the audience, this type of assembly proved educational by showing the functions and proceedings of their governing body. During the brief session, current problems of the school and students were brought up and thoroughly discussed. The meeting was then adjourned until the regular meeting, the following Tuesday.

HONOR ROLL

Third Marking Period

Seniors—Phyllis Adams, Miriam Anderson, Robert Bailey, Anne Bell, Louise Bregman, Spurgeon Johns, Macy Kaminsky, Simeon Margolis, Sally Pursel, Renato Rodriguez, David Rudel, Marvin Saverling, Helen Stanton, Alice Stinely, Audrey Thomas, Nancy Walker, Patsy Zubrod.

Juniors—Judy Callet, Lois Costlow, Gerald Delaney, Ann Fair, Philip Lopresti, Phyllis Metzler, Virginia Lee Miller, Mary Scaletta, Mary Ruth Squire, Robert Steinbring, Barbara Yost.

Sophomores—Janet Claycomb, Pat Criswell, Mary Lou Cush, Edward Danyluk, Ronald Kelly, Raysa Oker, Ruth Peel, Lois Ringler, Marilyn Von Lunen, Dolores Williams.

Freshmen—Sharon Bloom, Steve Carney, Gretchen Erdmann, Gretchen Greer, Jack Lawson, Ronald Morgan, Gordon Pogal, James Quest, Shirley Robb, Michael Walzer.

through the studio, the dark room, and other places of interest. The National High School Photographic Contest is now in progress. Any members or anyone else wishing to enter the contest should inform Kenneth Heffley so that he may receive an application blank. This progressive club has plans for a busy year ahead, not only in school activities, but also in national ones.

Clubs At W.-U. Y. Progress

Y-Teens

So far this year the Y-Teens have been very successful in their undertakings, such as the filling of boxes at Christmas, which were sent overseas. By contributing food and clothing they were responsible for two needy families having a happy Thanksgiving and Christmas. Also they have addressed over 2,000 envelopes for the polio drive of greater Johnstown. In addition to these they have several girls who are in training as volunteer nurses' aides.

Although the attendance was not quite what was expected at the evening meeting on January 26, a good time was had by all attending. The meeting was held in the form of a covered dish supper after which a talk on "Careers" was given by Mrs. McFeaters.

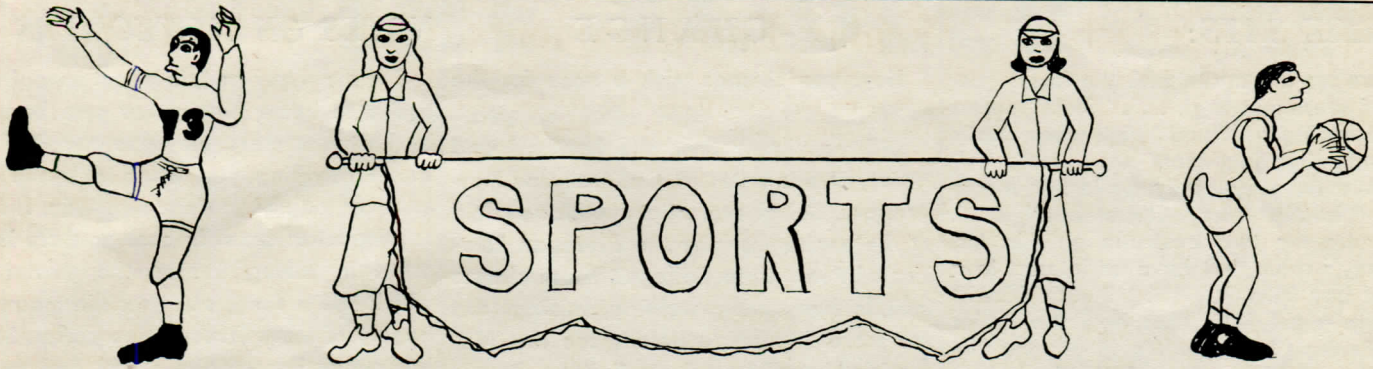
In order to make money, the club plans to have a rummage sale sometime in February. They also have scheduled a "drag" gym dance following the Alleghany game. They hope to be well represented at the city-wide Hi-Y-Y-Teen banquet to be held the 26th of February. The group plans to join with the Hi-Y and Key Club in giving a Valentine party.

Gym Club

The Gym Club has suggested two new amendments to their constitution. By these amendments a girl may receive enough points by officiating at the games to enter the Gym Club. Previously many girls, who were interested in sports, had little or no chance to enter the club, since they were not proficient enough to make the teams. There are three fields into which a girl may officiate: scorekeeping, timekeeping, and refereeing. Each field has its value of points. For example, a girl will receive more credit for refereeing than timekeeping. This new plan, if and when it is finally approved, will give many girls interested in sports entrance to the Gym Club.

Photo Club News

The brilliant light of the flash bulb has been seen at many of the Westmont-Upper Yoder basketball games. These pictures are to be used for the Phoenixian. This is but one of the many projects that the Photography Club has undertaken. Kenneth Heffley has assumed his task skillfully as the president of the organization. Plans for the future have been made concerning the year's calendar. January 29, the club is scheduled to take a hike over the Ligonier Mountains. Members are to take their cameras with them so that they can photograph the scenery. February 11, the gym dance after the Indiana game is to be sponsored by the Photo Club. On February 13, the group is to be the guests of the Cover Studio. They will be taken on a tour



OUR TEAM IS RED HOT

"A third consecutive Tri-County League championship for Westmont?" This is the question so often heard in the district's sport circles lately. The well-balanced red and gray clad hoopsters are in first place with six wins and one loss and are doing their best to remain there.

By a "Frank Merriwell" shot from the hands of Don Albright of Somerset, in the last three seconds of play. W.-U. Y. lost a hotly contested opener to Somerset 49-47.

A powerful alumni group, led by former Hilltop standouts, then returned to their alma mater during the Christmas vacation and went back to college the victors by a 40-30 margin. With this game passed the year 1948, and when January 4, 1949 rolled around the squad was out to make amends. They shellacked Windber 54-33 and things were looking up. The Miller-Margolis-Gipe-McCormick-Kline outfit must have made a New Year's resolution not to lose any more games, for from thereon in, other teams had a hard time stopping them. Conemaugh Township bit the dirt 60-45 in a thriller. Then at Cumberland, Md., the team played Allegany, and the Scarlet left the floor with a 58-32 performance under their belts. Forward Eddie Miller was using his one-handed push shot to our advantage as he scored 26 and 24 points in the two consecutive nights—quite a feat!

There was a slight disruption in our winning ways as Indiana dealt the Enghmen a 59-44 defeat; it might be well to add that Goliath had nothing on the Indians in size, but in the return encounter Westmont-Upper Yoder will try to be a little David. Ebensburg, a vastly improved squad during the last year, tried to throw a monkey wrench into our smooth working machine. Things were fairly even until seven set shots from midcourt, by McCormick and Kline, broke the game wide open and Westmont took the county-seaters, going away 64-37.

Johnstown High School, always a threat to a victory column, visited our local gym, but the Trojans were dismayed by the Hilltop squad as captain, "Moan" Margolis excelled in his floorwork and

Boys' Intramurals

The Senior A's finished the first half of the intramural basketball schedule with a 15-9 victory over the Senior B. Captains, Ewald and Johns, proved they had a better team in a game that was closely contested till the last few minutes of play.

The Senior B's however, deserve a lot of credit because the Senior A was the only team that could mar their record of five wins against one defeat. Junior A's won four and lost two, to clinch third place. Junior B's were next with a .500 mark followed by the Sophomores, Freshman A, and Freshman B, all of whom won one while dropping five; this record of the first half leaves everyone happy because each conquered a foe.

The Senior A is looking forward to the second-half title, but so is every other team, so come and support a team whether it be your class, or not. The schedule guarantees a "spine-tingler."

shooting. The encounter was nip and tuck until the last quarter when the borough lads took the lead never to be headed, and when the final score was given to "The Johnstown Democrat" it read W.-U. Y. 48 and J. H. S. 42.

Ferndale and Conemaugh Township both fell by the wayside in two important Tri-County League games. Westmont took the Davidsville "Indians" 49-34 with Dave Gipe controlling both boards throughout most of the encounter. The tussle ended Conemaugh Township 34 and Westmont 49. The Yellow Jackets gave the team a slight scare, but were finally subdued to the tune of 60-48.

During the Conemaugh Township game an amusing incident occurred that might well be called our "Sports Oddity." Moan Margolis, playing a brilliant defensive game, was in danger of committing his fifth foul, so Coach Engh decided to relieve "Moan" for instructions. Upon glancing over his substitutes he decided that he would use Harry Drew. Just at that moment Conemaugh Township diverted Coach Engh's attention a few

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Juniors Down Seniors

Have you heard odd noises in the gym every Tuesday and Thursday at lunch time? Don't be alarmed, it's only the girls playing basketball.

The season got under way by the selecting of captains. The senior choices were speedy Becky Fox and active Miriam Anderson.

The juniors chose dead-eye Marilyn Lehman and small but swift Betty Ondrejack. There will be a mighty battle for the championship crown between these two rival teams.

We should not forget the sophomores and freshmen who put up a good battle against the upper class teams.

The sophomore's selected Marilyn Von Lunen and Isabel Glatz as their captains. Their team won only over the freshman twelve. Their loss to the seniors was something to see as they held the seniors scoreless in the third quarter while piling up 10 points. However, the seniors surged forward in the fourth quarter to defeat the sophomores.

The freshman's selection of captains was Gretchen Greer and Grace Hahn. Their team was beaten every game, but gave the upperclassmen a fight. Even though having an inexperienced team the freshman are to be marked in the future as the team to watch.

In the game of the year the juniors took a close victory over the seniors by a 15 to 14 score. This was one of the most exciting and hardest fought games of this year. The juniors lost the services of Marilyn Lehman when she dislocated her shoulder. Betty Ondrejack, who dislocated her collarbone was still able to play.

moments. He took the arm of a surprised Harvey Rabinowitz, senior manager, and gave him instructions before discovering his mistake. This caused a great clamor among the Hilltop followers.

The J. V. squad is currently undefeated and headed for its fourth Tri-County championship.

BUZZIE SAYS:

Here we are again with the latest gossip of Westmont High . . . "Stutz" seems to be having a "Good" time when she is out with that Southmont boy . . . "Lucy" Johns could very easily make her theme song "In My Merry Oldsmobile" . . . Who are the two freshman girls in Mr. McInay's room that have an interest in a blond boy from 209? . . . Bonnie Blewitt is quite a gal—she likes both the Junior and Senior Class . . . Would anyone like to take a guess where Betty Ondrejack got that Catholic High letter? . . . Hey, Joan, why don't you study in your study periods instead of writing to a certain Mayer guy? . . . Pat Etheridge would walk "Miles" just to see a Southmont boy . . . Say, Alice Naugle, we thought you didn't like "Hicks" or is it just that certain one? . . . The basketball players seem to find an interest in the cheerleaders or is it just Eddie Miller? . . . "Lynn" Lehman has a flame in Ferndale High—it couldn't be the so-called cutest boy in Ferndale, could it? . . . "Ginny" Miller has her eye on someone new, but the question is—who? . . . What goes with David Knipe? There must be some reason why his tablet is such a secret . . . It is quite a mystery whom Mary Jane Gould is after—all we know is that he is from J. H. S. . . . Hey, Tom Kahl, those pictures you take of "Moan" couldn't be for Bebe, could they? . . . To whom was Dick Jones writing when Mr. Mannion intercepted the note? . . . Rumors have been heard about Jim Beam and a certain girl named Tessie. . . . Chuck Mapoles seems to be having a "Gay Hunt" for a girl . . . That's all for now, kids, but there will be more next issue.

D. S.

—AND HOTTER

Two encounters were on the agenda for the first week of February, and Westmont's "Hilltoppers" displayed their vaunted scoring ability in both.

In a very important Tri-County game at Ebensburg W.-U. Y. took the measure of the county-seaters 54-39 in a game which saw the Tri-County leaders "freeze" the ball throughout most of the final quarter. Led by Ed Miller, Dave Gipe, and Moan Margolis with 19-14 and 11 points in that order, the Scarlet built up a lead in the first half, which in the final tabulation proved to be the winning margin, and went on to keep it throughout the game.

The second game brought about one of the most exciting contests ever witnessed on the borough hardwood, for Altoona was next on our schedule. Though the Red and Gray passers were on the wrong side of the ledger at the final whistle the public school from the Blair county metropolis was forced to play an extra period to stave off defeat. Trailing at one time by more than 15 points

X - CHANGE

Hey, you shmoos with a nose for the news:

Did you know that one hundred and twenty-five inmates of the Rockview Penitentiary, Bellefonte, attended classes held at the penitentiary by the Extension Services of Penn State College? These classes include husbandry, welding, mining, etc. For more interesting details see the "Extension News" from State College, Pa.

Mary: "I caught my boy friend flirting!"

Sue: "I caught mine that way too."

—Windber Hi-Times

Can any one solve this great mystery? In Johnstown's latest edition of the "Centralizer," an article appeared entitled "Who Is She?" No one at J. H. S. has been able to solve this perplexing mystery. Can you?

Any girl can be gay in a classy coupe, In a taxi, anyone can be jolly;

But the girl worthwhile

Is the girl who can smile,

When you take her home in a trolley!

Attention to baby sitters!

The next time little Junior stands at the top of the stairs and throws his mother's best perfume bottles at you, don't despair! Pick up "Watertown's Owl" and read the essay on Baby Sitting. You are not the only miserable "bratter!"

Jack: "Did you hear about the two fleas who saved up to buy a dog?"

the Enghmen suddenly caught fire in the last stanza, and knotted the score 55-55 at the gun. Dave Gipe excelled in taking rebounds off both boards and led in the scoring parade with 26 markers. In the added 3 minute round, Stew Kline and Maxy McCormick swished the cords with underhand shots to keep the Hilltoppers in the game.

Our one time undefeated J-V team tasted defeat at the hands of both Ebensburg and Altoona inside of one week, and are prepared to regain their prestige in the ensuing encounters.

The junior high team of Coach Askey is continually trouncing its league opponents, and unless for a sudden miracle, appear certain to capture the crown lost but two years back. Cochran and J. J. J. are the only black marks on a splendid record.

NOTES ON NEWCOMERS

For the many people about school who desire to know better that cute brunette in the junior class, we have compiled just about anything you want to know. This lover of candy prefers American History to any other class. In case you are interested in taking her to the movies, of which she is fond, she likes the masculine beauty of Mark Stevens. She prefers baseball when it comes to sports and speaking of sports she was a cheerleader at Dale. Well, that about sums her up and if you desire to know more about her ask her for her diary. She tells me it is quite something! Her name? Oh, yes, it is Bonnie Blewitt.

If you were asked one day what caused the surprisingly long sprints of halfbacks, Marlin Stockwell and Bob Havyer, in the Cochran game and if you were also asked why the Junior High basketball team is undefeated, you would probably and rightly say that the cheerleaders have had something to do with it. Among the many girls who yelled their lungs out was a blonde, green-eyed, girl. This little freshman who goes to the movies expressly to see Peter Lawford has yelled her head off at more than one game. *Though she likes basketball best she still* cheers just as hard at the other high school sporting activities. She says she prefers high school to Stutzman mainly because of a certain subject called Algebra. Incidentally the name is Grace Hahn, but she does not keep a diary. In the wrong hands that little book can be awfully dangerous.

He played football, he has black hair and brown eyes, his favorite subject is P. O. D., and his nickname is "Bull." If you haven't guessed it by now, his name is Dino Santoro, and he likes pork chops with all the trimmings. Although he has no favorite movie star, his sister Janet does. The lucky idol of this smiling brown-eyed, and brown-haired lass is Dana Andrews. Janet has a fondness for chemistry. Since she came from Johnstown, you don't suppose she intends to blow up our fair school, do you?

I have heard several people asking about a certain J. V. basketball player so I have decided to let you in on some of his many fine points. Being an ardent fan of our new bug trainer, Mr. Holman, Bill says he likes hamburgers and relish. What the connection is I will never know, but that is what the brown-topped sophomore said. Oh well, in case you are interested he wears size ten and a half shoes. And his name? Well, that is Bill Kestle.