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Sammy Marra Places On All-State Grid Team

Coaches and Officials Give Unqualified Praise to Philippi High School Football Player

Local Student Is First Man to Place on All-State Team in History of High School

Sammy Marra, the big Philippi back, was placed on the all-state football team recently by unanimous vote. Marra, a senior, is just short of six feet and weighs 190 pounds. He knows well how to handle a football in addition to carrying his team's main defensive burden.

Mickey McDade, coach of Grafton High School, and a veteran official, declared Marra the best passer he had seen for two years and the best all-around back in the Monongahela Valley by Coach Red Brown, of Elkins.

Marra is an accurate passer anywhere from five to fifty yards. This is the first time in the history of Philippi High School that there has been a local athlete placed on the all-state team.

Those placed on the all-state team were: Ends: Richard Hensley of Williamson, and John Yoho of Mannington; tackles: Moe Meredes of Warwood, and John Kirk of St. Albans; guards: Robert Cooper of Oak Hill, and Clayton Sawyer of Huntington; center: Carrol Swain of Parkersburg; backs: Ray McNabb of Charleston, Vic Boufli of Morgantown, Sam Marra of Philippi, and Harold Daugherty of Weirton as captain.

Junior Class Play, Presented Recently, Proves Successful

"Thumbs Up", a three-act comedy by Sylvester Deford, presented by the Junior Class of Philippi High School, proved to be a success. The play was under the direction of Miss Frances Nucci, Miss Mabel Holsberry and Mr. Harold Hall.

The play was given to make money for the annual Junior-Senior reception. Tickets were sold by most members of the Junior Class.

The characters were as follows: Molly Kincaid (Mary Elizabeth (Continued on Page Three)



SAMMY MARRA

Kiwanis Club Selects Boy, Girl Of Month From High School

The Kiwanis "boy and girl of the month" have been selected for January 19. They are: Mary Theresa Gerard, of Galloway, and Ralph Haddix, of Philippi.

Clementa Rose Proudfoot, Jim Ware, Mary Elizabeth Phillips and Robert Lee Haddix, boys and girls of the month, were entertained at the Kiwanis Club.

Some members of the Glee Club of Philippi High School presented a musical program to the Kiwanis Club. Having been invited, they stayed for luncheon.

Grace Lee Boggess was the narrator, telling the history of each song that was sung.

The girls sang "White Christmas", "Deck the Halls", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "O Come All Ye Faithful", "I Heard the Bells" and "There's a Song in the Air."

The girls that sang were Joan Wilson, Peggy Chesser, Eloise Byrer, Juanita McBee, and Mary Elizabeth Phillips, with Mrs. Ellis accompanying on the piano.

The following boys are expecting to be called to the Army in the near future: Dana George, Bill Woodford, Homer Weese.

Winter Snow Storms, Plane Cancellations And Train Wreck Mark Teacher's Trip

Through bad snow storms, train wrecks, and bad travelling weather, Mrs. Luff, band instructor, visited her husband, Aviation Cadet Edward T. Luff, at the San Marcus Army Air Base in Texas over the Christmas holidays.

Though she had not expected any bad luck going, the plane she had reservations for was grounded because of the snowstorm. She then was six hours going on bus to Grafton to catch a train.

Arriving in Texas and riding very comfortable on the train, her first view of Texas was a cowboy with spike heels and a ten-gallon hat. (I wonder if he was bow-legged.)

Civilians were not allowed on the base and Mr. Luff only had weekends off. For this reason, Mrs. Luff

spent her week days sleeping, bowling, and going to movies. She and her husband went to two Cadet dances which were Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve dances. A cadet orchestra played.

Though she had planned to leave on Sunday her plane again was grounded because of weather. On Monday her reservations were taken. She therefore left Monday evening on a train.

Running into a train wreck, she was delayed for 24 hours, causing her to be one day late for school. Although now she has fully recovered from her trip and is back to normal. Let us hope she may visit him soon again without any bad luck.

Business College President Makes Assembly Address

Students Are Urged to Stay in School; Musical Program Is Also Presented

T. B. Cain, president of the West Virginia Business College at Clarksburg, addressed the students at an assembly program last month. He spoke on "How to Make Friends" and encouraged the students to stay in school.

Mr. Cain presented Sammie Parise, former student of the college, who was visiting in Clarksburg at that time. He has been employed in California since graduating from the West Virginia Business College. He sang a number of popular songs such as: "Always", "Together", "Dark Eyes", and "There Will Be a Hot Time in the Town of Berlin", and impersonated some radio and movie stars such as Judy Canova, Al Jolson, Bonnie Baker, and Lou Costello.

Mr. Parise was accompanied at the piano by Miss Norma Jean Sutton, of Bridgeport, student of the college.

Tri-V Latin Clubs Present Program Here January 12

The Tri-V Latin clubs presented the Assembly program on January 12. It consisted of devotionals, a short talk about "The Value of Latin" by Betty Haynes, and the latter part of the program was a one act burlesque, "Julius Caesar", telling of the assassination and death of the well-known warrior.

The cast included Jimmy Manfreda as Julius Caesar; Donald Daugherty, Brutus; "B" Wills, Marcus Antonius; Jimmy Smith, Cassius; Russel Shaw, Trebonius; Jimmy Lowery, Willy Nestor, first stage hands; Joe Olivero, second stage hand.

Students with two years of Latin and an average grade of B in that class were eligible to join the Junior Classical League, a national organization of Latin clubs. The pins and membership cards were given to the members and the charter presented to Mr. Carpenter.

The purpose of the League is to encourage the classical civilization in the modern world. They believe an acquaintance with the civilization of Greece and Rome will help them understand and appraise the world of today which is indebted to ancient civilization in its governments, laws, literature, language, and arts.

The officers are: Consul, Peggy Jo Booth; vice consul, Avonelle Shaffer; Praetor, Dorothy Goodwin.

Three Students Enter Services

Three students from Philippi High School have recently been inducted into the armed services. Pete Shaluta and Joe Gouer, both seniors, entered the Navy. Joe and Pete are taking their boot training at Sampson Naval Training School.

Marvin Reed, a sophomore, was inducted into the Army at the same time. He is taking his basic training at Camp Hood, Texas.

Pete and Joe will both graduate since they are seniors and will have the necessary hours by spring.

Two Clubs To Present Negro Minstrel Soon

Local High School Students Display Marked Contrasts

Have you noticed the marked contrast in the actions, sizes and intelligence of the pupils of the Philippi High School?

Some are riotous, noisy, ill-mannered, and bold. Others are meek, quiet, polite and bashful. Some are tall; others short. Some large; some, small. Some workers, and others lazy. Also, a few display great ambitions and still others show none at all.

Then there are mixtures of the traits. Some are small, meek and industrious. Others are large and lazy. Some are short and heavy; others tall and skinny.

And there is the happy in between. They are average sized, average height, have average intelligence and have some ambition. In other words, they are the boys or girls whom all of us desire to be like.

Take a critical survey of yourself, detect your faults, and then correct them. See if it doesn't make you self-confident and happy.

Chorus Presents Annual Assembly Program Jan. 19

The Girls Chorus presented their Annual Assembly Program January 19, consisting of 45 minutes of comedy. This program showed how life in a radio station can be.

The chorus is also planning a spring program which will be given at night. The girls from the chorus will be combined with a group of girls from the Physical Education Classes under the direction of Miss Wilspon.

The chorus now has a membership of 35 students. One new student has been taken in for the new Semester.

The chorus now has \$26.75 in their funds which will be used for various purposes throughout the year.

Hi-Y and Girl Reserve Clubs Are Now Working on "Midnight Cabaret"

Production Will Be Presented in Auditorium During Early Part of February

The Hi-Y and Girl Reserve Clubs of Philippi High School will present "Moonlight Cabaret," a negro minstrel, in the high school auditorium during the early part of February. The minstrel is being directed by Miss Frances Nucci and the clubs' sponsors, Miss Joan Wilson, and Mr. George Byrer.

The entire action of the minstrel will consist of boys and girls dancing, singing, and also good speaking parts along with good music. The whole cast will portray the lives of negroes.

The characters are as follows: Interlocutor, William Gene Shanabarger; Waiter, Robert Lee Haddix; Perfumery, Patty Showalter; Sufficiency, Emily Ann Sturm; End Men, Donald Daugherty, Jimmie Smith, Gerald Boyles, Eugene Maxson, Clementa Rose Proudfoot, and Judy Chesser; Barrel Stave, Virgil Dawson; and His Hoop Skirts, David Shaw; Vocalists, Peggy Chesser, Jane Grimm, Grace Leo Boggess, Mary Pingley, Joan Wilson, and many others.

Don't miss this grand musical production of "Moonlight Cabaret". It proves to be one of the best musicals in Philippi High School's history.

Gives School Framed Copy Of Declaration

Mr. Scott Strickler, a representative of the Kew Bee Bread company of Clarksburg, gave the school a framed copy of the Declaration of Independence. It is an exact duplicate of the original copy. The school officials and students wish to extend their thanks for this gift.

The Barbour County Teachers' Association held a very interesting meeting Saturday, January 20, in the high school auditorium.

When You Smile You Are Giving Something To Others; Grouch Dampens Spirits Of All

When you smile you are doing the most wonderful thing that nature has made because it radiates joy and well being. The sight of a smiling boy or girl always brightens your day. Similarly, the sight of a grouchy boy or girl can dampen your spirits for many an hour to come.

When we smile we are giving something to others. Moreover, when we smile, we can keep our cake and eat it too, because we have given something away which we can keep also.

I know you all can remember a certain friend, if you look back and think for a little while, that always had a smile for everybody he or she met, and just to think about the person makes you feel good. There are many such people who always carry a smiling expression. These

are the people who cheer and help us because they have a desire to give happiness and delight to others.

None of us will ever be able to disguise our true character because it is shown in our faces. Joy and happiness will transform the fact until it will be admired by all. So if you have laugh wrinkles don't be ashamed of them. They should be displayed with great pride.

Some day just to find out if smiling is everything it's cracked up to be, make a point of smiling at every discontented person you meet. I bet you will soon see a wonderful change in that person.

Always remember that the best smile in the world comes from inside you, and reflects a cheerful disposition.

Blue and Gray Echo

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The New Year

What does the new year mean to you? Probably if each of us should ask himself this question and give an honest answer the answer to be given most often would be something like this. The New Year is a renewal of the good times of last year and a hope for more time to be spent in folly during the 365 days ahead. We needn't feel that we are alone in this conviction. Everyone feels that way to a certain degree. But the greatest disappointment of all comes with the realization that everyone who takes that attitude is wrong.

In our own defense, in regard to the previous question, we might say we made some resolutions. That is fine. But there's an old proverb, "Words without action are useless." There would be nothing better than the fulfillment of good New Year's resolutions but we usually tire from the effort and slide back into our old routines.

After we find what the New Year really means to us, we try to decide what it should mean to us. Again we find the word renewal easing itself into our minds, for is not the New Year the time for renewal of diligence in our work, of hope for greater achievements, of courage, of faith in God and mankind, and of trust in one's own self? Surely we ought to look upon our entrance into a New Year as a chance to take another step upward on the ladder of life, and strive to make each day account for itself in good deeds.

Share With A Buddy

Some few days ago, each student in P. H. S. was given an envelope on which were inscribed these words, "Share With A Buddy". Beneath the inscription was an explanation of the plan of the U. S. O. by which each of us may share in the extensive work of the powerful organization in proving certain "necessities" for our fighting men. The plan involved is for each person owning an envelope to add a few cents daily to its contents until, when the time is expired, the owners may have a considerable sum that would have otherwise been wasted on delicacies that we can all easily do without.

Perhaps many of us did not realize the extent of the words, "Share with a father, a brother, or a dear friend," the point might have come closer home. After all, they all mean the same. Who knows but that the money we put into those envelopes may go into the provisions of a little diversion from the horrors of war that someone we love is witnessing. Just as a well-known columnist said in regard to buying war bonds in the house to house campaign, "You'd better wait till he wipes the mud off his face before you slam the door." The same thing applies in this case. We'd better wait to see if the letter "Share With a Buddy" is addressed to someone dear to us before we tear it to bits, and if we've already done so let's find the pieces and paste them together or find a new one and fill it 'till it runs over. Then we can say, "I shared."

The Principal's Corner

Due to bad weather, over which we have no control, the school attendance is not running true to form, so to speak, and it is creating problems that only good attendance can solve.

The number of high school teachers for next year is determined by the average daily attendance of students this year. In other words, low or poor attendance creates the following problems:

1. If our attendance is too low we may lose one or more high school teachers.
2. If a teacher is lost then the classes of other teachers grow larger since the attendance is based on net enrollment and not the gross enrollment. (Students in large classes do not have equal chances with those in smaller classes.)
3. As the number of teachers decrease likewise the number of elective subjects will decrease, which means that the high school student may have difficulty in getting the subjects he most desires. (My policy has been to offer as many subjects as possible so that each student may satisfy his personal desires. The more teachers we have the more subjects we can offer.)
4. According to present figures the number of high school teachers should remain the same, but a few more bad days with low attendance will make a sad change.

The purpose of this article, therefore, is to inform students and parents of the gravity of the situation so that you can do all you can by being in school just as much as you can for the remainder of the school year.

Yours truly,
J. H. CARPENTER.

Dear Diary

Dear Diary:
I ain't got much to say exceptin' some gossip I heard budden' about. The most awful thing has happened. A new girl has started to school and is she purty! Why these boys here just went mad about her. I don't think that's fair fer a purty girl with blonde hair to come in take all the men, what with the man shortage. There ort'a be a law agin sech things.

Yes, and Diary, the basketball games are agoin swell, even if we have been a loosin.

And Diary, the Thespian Club is a'gona hold their first formal initiation in February. There ar'e

a'gonna be dancen too, and maybe somethin to eat.

And Diary, I have been a hearin that our wonderful Shanny (you know Bill), well, he ar'e agona get himself some spurs so's he can keep from fallen around so much. If'em you ask me, I think Freddy Lantz should get his self some too.

Well Diary, that ar'e all I can think of now, so's I'll just say by-by.

FIVE NEW STUDENTS

Philippi High School has five new students. They are: Richard Orr, Devon Brandon, Mary Minnie Murphy, Junior Queen, Virginia Daugherty.

Support your school paper!

ON THE LEVEL

Mary Pingley asked Miss Nucci, after the dress rehearsal of "Thumbs-Up", if she could leave off her "stage attire" (a tight fitting corset) for the play.

Katy Bennett was arrested twice by the City Policemen (C-R initiation).

Charlotte Dadisman's dream boy is Loui Minni, says Santa Claus.

Mr. Vangilder thinks the girls in Chemistry Class are crazy because they wouldn't touch 120 volts of electricity.

Judy Chesser has to tell people she's a girl before they believe her.

Sammy Marra plans to be a Geometry teacher. He practices in first period Plane Geometry class by drawing pictures. Before Mr. Woodford comes!

Annabel Stemple certainly has a lot of admirers crowded around her locker at noon. Ned, have you found out who is going to win?

While Little Miss Peggy Purnell Chesser was singing "White Christmas," dressed as a little girl, in the gym, she suddenly was surrounded by pennies thrown by her admirers.

Emily Ann Sturm didn't know who Thurman Pitts was, but she certainly found out on Girl Reserve initiation night.

Dorothy Goodwin and Louie Girmont have their daily fight in first period American History Class.

The mistletoe came in handy this year to Margaret Ann Harrison. Eh Jimmy?

Vitamin Flinthert (Jimmy Stone) had too many vitamin pills before the Buckhannon game says Snowflake Falls (Judy Chesser).

Donald Daugherty doesn't know what mistletoe is.

Russell Shaw can't stand up in first period Plane Geometry Class. Does it have something to do with the problems or "The Night Before Plane Geometry Class?????"

Mr. Dickenson can hear Jimmy Stewart coming in American History class before he can see him since Santa Claus brought Jimmy a nice red shirt for Christmas.

William Price, tuba player, actually got on the beat in band the other day.

Frank Yocco decided he would start the New Year off right by answering a question for the first time in second period American History class.

One of the things Mrs. Dunlop had to learn from her second year French students was how to close Room 20's door.

As Mr. Dickenson says: "Just imagine starting out in the wilderness with a gun, and ax, and a wife as Daniel Boone did".

"Effie Mae" has a permanent job of late: cracking the ice off the streets in Philippi so others won't have the same accident she did. Too bad "Effie", but we do appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Berlin Jones and Fred Burner talked it over and finally decided to swap girl friends.

John Wilson and Emily Ann Sturm are going steady.

Margaret Selyak loves to chew gum.

Mary Gertch loves to talk! Some students don't have to study in Plane Geometry. Take Bobby Dadisman!

Dennis Lee Baughman certainly loves his chewing gum, especially when writing in the library.

Wonder if Karl Wilcox has recovered from the blows he received in the house on the corner of Main Street. (Gracie's little sister.)

Harvey Hudkins is so timid! (That is to a certain degree.)

Miss Wilson, while practice teach- (Continued on Page Three)

Report Card Day

SOME GRADES ARE HOT



SOME GRADES ARE COLD



WHEN DAD SEES THIS CARD



THE TALE WILL BE TOLD

Two Prayers

By Mary Pingley

'Tis eventide in a cottage small
That stands on Maple Street;
And the Irish Terrier crouched by
the door

Waits the sound of his master's feet.

A mother, young and lovely
Sits alone absorbed in thought;
Of her absent soldier husband
And the sadness time has brought.

She is shaken from her reverie
By the sound of baby feet;
And soon appears the figure
That has made her joy complete.

"I'm ready now," said the low,
sweet voice,
As she bade her mother come;
And hand in hand they seek her
room
As they so oft had done.

Then kneeling softly near the bed
In a trembling voice and sad;
The childish heart unburdens
With, "God, please bless my Dad."

'Tis eventide on a battlefield
In a devastated land
And many a gallant mother's son
Has fallen from the band.

A soldier apart from the others
Is murmuring a final prayer;
Having taken the final stand
For his own dear land so fair.

"'Tis not for myself I pray Dear
God,

For I know my work's complete;
Just bless the one who'll carry on
In a cottage on Maple Street.

"Just one more favor I would ask,
E're Death her flag unfurl,"
And with one final fleeting breath,
"God bless my little girl."

P. H. S. Hit Parade

1. I'll Walk Alone.
2. It Had To Be You.
3. Time Waits For No One.
4. It Could Happen To You.
5. Swinging On A Star.
6. I'll Be Seeing You.
7. Together.
8. How Many Hearts Have You Broken?
9. Always.
10. It's Love, Love, Love.
11. Duration Blues.
12. I'll Get By.
13. There'll Be a Hot Time in The Town of Berlin.
14. Don't Fence Me In.

COULD YOU IMAGINE?

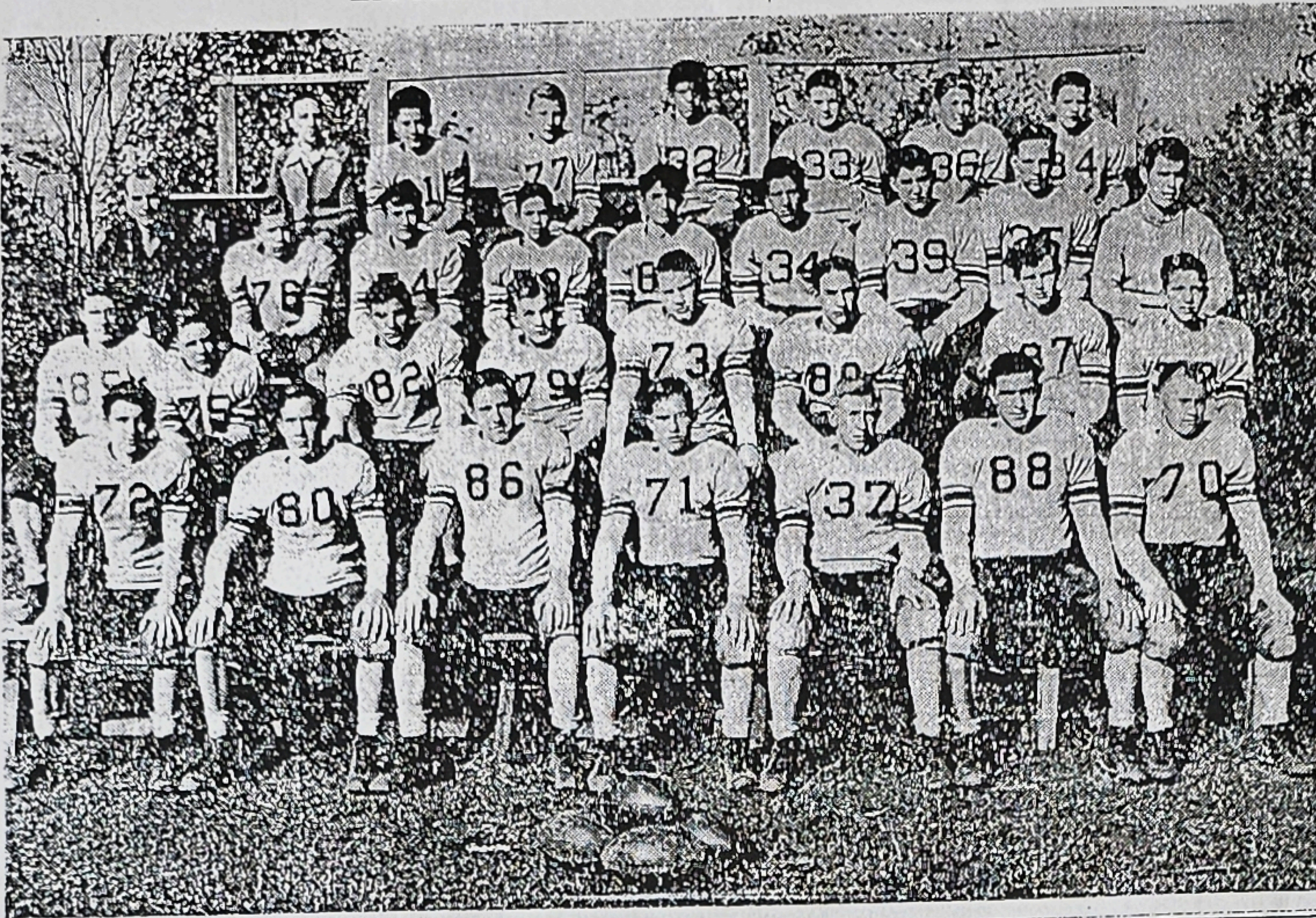
Effie without slacks?
Miss Nucci not too busy?
Life without education?
Bonnie without admirers?

OFF THE SHELF

If you must read a book to supplement your American History, why don't you choose one from this list?

- Aldrich—Lantern In Her Hand.
- Bachelor—Man for the Ages.
- Boyd—Drums.
- Cable—Old Creole Days.
- Cather—Death Comes for the Archbishop.
- Cather—My Antonia.
- Cather—Shadows on the Rock.
- Chase—Silas Crockett.
- Churchill—The Crisis.
- Churchill—Richard Carvel.
- Cobb—Paths of Glory.
- Cooper—The Deer Slayer.
- Cooper—The Last of the Mohicans.
- Cooper—The Spy.
- Crame—The Red Badge of Courage.
- Geland—Old Chester Tales.
- Ferber—Cimaron.
- Ferber—Show Boat.
- Ferber—So Big.
- Ford—Janice Meridith.
- Gale—Katrima Van Ost.
- Harte—Luck of Roaring Camp.
- Hawthorne—House of Seven Gables.
- Hawthorne—Scarlet Letter.
- Hergesheimer—Java Head.
- Hewes—Glory of the Seas.
- Hough—Covered Wagon.
- Hough—54 40 or Fight.
- Jackson—Ramona.
- Jamvier—Aztec Treasure House for Boys.
- Johnson—To Have and to Hold.
- Knox—Gray Caps.
- Lane—Let the Hurricane Roar.
- Lewis—Arrowsmith.
- Lewis—Main Street.
- Meigs—Swift River.
- Meigs—Trade Wind.
- Melville—Moby Dick.
- Mitchell—Hugh Wynne-free Quaker.
- Norris—The Octopus.
- Page—Red Rock.
- Roberts—Great Meadow.
- Roberts—Northwest Passage.
- Roberts—Oliver Wiswell.
- Rolvaag—Giants of the Earth.
- Sabatini—The Carolinian.
- Skimmer—Debby Barnes Trader.
- Smedker—Unchartered Ways.
- White—Blazed Trail.
- Wister—The Virginian.
- Wister—Lady Baltimore.
- Becker—Golden Tales of Our America.
- Becker—Golden Tales of the Old South.
- Heydrick—Americans All.
- Cannon—Look to the Mountains.
- Turnbull—Day Must Dawn.
- Cormack—Wind of the Vikings.
- Coatsworth—Here I Stay.

LITTLE TEN CONFERENCE CO-CHAMPIONS



Bulldogs Lose To St. Mary's By Ten Points

The St. Mary's Stripers defeated the Bulldogs by a ten-point margin. The game was played Tuesday night before a large crowd. The final score being 33-23.

Grant was high point man of the evening with 17 points for the visitors, while Murphy followed through with seven points for the Bulldogs.

The high school band furnished music during the game.

The lineup:

Bulldogs	G.	F.	T.
Marra	1	2	4
Rowan	3	0	6
Crouse	2	1	5
Stone	0	1	1
Murphy	3	1	7
Totals	9	5	23

Stripers	G.	F.	T.
Wandstrut	2	2	6
Phidin	2	0	4
Grant	6	5	17
Keager	2	0	1
Barnes	0	0	0
Ramano	1	0	2
Totals	13	7	33

ON THE LEVEL

(Continued from Page Two) ing Physical Ed., broke her finger showing the students how to catch a basketball.

Grace Lee told Karl she wasn't going to open her Christmas package before Christmas, but she accidentally told him her new bracelet was simply beautiful!

Freda Coffman is such a tiny innocent thing. Well, tiny anyway.

Mr. Byrer has a new occupation: a slave driver of English students. (Especially third period English students.)

The boys in the balcony surely do appreciate the twirlers in their shorts! (Especially Robert Haddix.)

A checker game is played every noon in the gym balcony. Don't you have lessons, boys?

Julia Shaw sneezes like a mouse squeaks.

Bonnie Humphrey has bags under her eyes. Wonder why?

Geneva and David are engaged! Mary Elizabeth Phillips seldom wears a necklace. Could it be because she hangs herself when she gets agitated.

Richard Costello decided to start the New Year off right by paying Mr. Carpenter a visit by request—(in his office.)

Margy Henry says that "free oxygen" is oxygen we get without having to pay for it.

Junior Class Play

(Continued from Page One) Phillips), widowed mother of four children; Tex (Jimmy Stone), the hero; Cal (Sammy Dawson), as a soldier in love with Emma (Margaret Selyak), a mail carrier; Bama (Clementa Rose Proudfoot), a tomboy; and Ida (Delores Costello), slightly older; also a circle of friends: Shirley Blair (Betty Bennett), Phyllis Dungan (Margaret Weaver), and Betty Barker (Kathleen Bennett), who are factory workers; Bruce "Bump" Watson (Don Payne), Tex's chum; and Miss Nickols (Grace Lee Bogges), a high school principal.

COULD YOU IMAGINE?

Anybody with nothing to do? A quiet hallway? Elmer Cross unhappy? The United States losing the war? Americans not over-subscribing their quota in the 6th War Loan? Band Letters and Service Bars are here.

SPORTLIGHTS

Remaining Basketball Schedule
 Jan. 23—Jane Lew—Home.
 Jan. 26—Buckhannon—Home.
 Jan. 29—Fairview—Home.
 Jan. 30—Lost Creek—Away.
 Feb. 2—Belington—Home.
 Feb. 6—Elkins—Home.
 Feb. 7—University High—Away.
 Feb. 12—Unidis—Away.
 Feb. 16—Belington—Away.
 Feb. 20—Lost Creek—Home.
 Feb. 22—St. Mary's—Away.
 Feb. 24—Salem—Away.
 Feb. 27—Elkins—Away.
 March 3—Jane Lew—Away.

Football season, which was very successful for the Bulldogs, is all over but not forgotten. Philippi High School won seven games, losing one to Grafton and tied Elkins.

We are quite proud of Sammie Marra, who was placed on the all state football team. This is the first time a member of a Philippi football team has made the all state football team. Philippi High School has had the honor of placing a member on the all state basketball team when Butch Wilmoth was placed on it in 1940. Congratulations, Sammie!

We are now in the midst of the basketball season. A strong Alumni five defeated the Bulldogs in the first game of the season 36-26. Campbell and Levicki were high point men for the Alumni while Rowan tallied eight for regulars.

Buckhannon Upshur took over the Bulldogs by a score of 34-24, played on the Buckhannon floor. Feola, Banner, and Harper took scoring for the Buck-Ups.

COULD YOU IMAGINE?

Philena without Joy or Betty without Paul?
 The Philippi High School students being anything but good?
 Anybody with no objective in life?
 Philippi High School being anything but the best?
 No Walker Practice Set in Book-keeping?

Philippi Downs Salem High Five By 35-30 Score

The Philippi High Bulldogs defeated the Salem basketball team 35-30 Saturday night, before a large crowd.

The Bulldogs led throughout the game.

Marra took scoring honors for the Bulldogs with ten points, while Bailey matched his shooting with ten for Salem.

The lineup:

Philippi	G.	F.	T.
Ware	4	0	8
Stone	2	0	4
Rowan	1	3	5
Marra	4	2	10
Crouse	3	1	7
Woodford	0	1	1
Totals	14	7	35

Salem	G.	F.	T.
Welch	1	1	3
Bailey	4	2	10
Conaway	0	0	0
Haymond	1	3	5
Lynch	2	0	4
May	2	1	5
Christie	1	1	3
Totals	11	8	30

School Is Dismissed For Four Days As Snow Storm Rages

Philippi High School was dismissed for four days due to the heavy snow storm during December. This has been the longest period of time and the second time that school has had to be dismissed because of snow, according to Mr. Carpenter.

It was one of the heaviest snowfalls we've ever had. Traffic was stopped, snow was drifted in some places over eight feet, and people were snow bound for miles until snowplows could get to them. The largest snowflakes that anyone can remember, fell on the first day of the storm.

Although we enjoyed being out of school, we hope we won't have another snow like that for some time.

Bulldog Basketball Roster

Name	Nickname	Position	Class
James Woodford	Long John	Forward	Senior
Jimmy Ware	Milk Legs	Forward	Sophomore
Jimmy Rowan	Snowbird	Forward	Junior
Sammy Marra	Chick	Forward	Senior
Jimmy Stone	Light Bulb	Guard	Junior
Orlan Crouse	Legs	Center	Senior
Kenneth Wilson	Mose	Guard	Freshman
Jack Murphy	Thumper	Guard	Senior
Lee Proudfoot	Flash	Forward	Sophomore
Dever Cook	Lousey	Guard	Senior
Ralph Haddix	Short Stuff	Guard	Senior

Team B Wins Round-Robin Kick-Pin Tourney

The final games of the round-robin kick-pin tournament were played January 4. Fifteen games were played during the entire tournament. Six different teams participated.

The team winning the most games, thereby winning the tournament was team B. Those playing on team B were: Captain, Luellen Jack; Helen Crouse, Mary B. Upton, Ann Bennett, Lois Shanabarger, Maxine Bolyard, Lucille McDaniel, Melrose Boylen, Viola Chapman, Betty Lantz, Almogene

Upton, Mary Pingley
 Runners up in this tournament was team D. Those playing on team D were: Captain, Betty Haynes; Arlene Robinson, Helen Maxwell, Rose Sements, Ethel Heavner, Betty Bolyard, Eva Jones, Betty Lou Meece, Rebecca A. Fitzwater, Mary Rose Kesling.

Amount of wins for each team: A-1; B-5; C-2; D-4; E-2; F-1.

The Girls Physical Education Classes are planning a volley ball tournament in which they will compete with each other.

West Milford Five Wins Over Bulldogs In Hard-Fought Game

The West Milford five won over the Bulldogs in a tough game. The Bulldogs were ahead during three quarters, but in the last Unidis jumped ahead to win by two points. The scores at the quarters were, 12-4, 20-12, 28-24, and 34-36.

Stone scored 13 points and Rowan 11 points for the Bulldogs, while Marcrum scored eight for the opponents.

The lineup:

Bulldogs	G.	F.	T.
Ware	1	0	2
Stone	5	3	13
Rowan	4	3	11
Crouse	1	1	3
Marra	1	3	5
Total	12	5	34

Unidis	G.	F.	T.
Marcrum	4	0	8

Cheathouse	2	0	4
Doddins	3	1	7
Borge	0	0	0
Curry	1	2	4
Windon	3	1	7
Sourbourne	3	0	6
Total	16	4	36

Snoopy Suzy Asks

Why Miss Nucci's second year Latin class is improving in conduct?
 Why is the hall conduct so much in need of improvement?
 Have you bought any War Bonds or Stamps lately?
 Who B's girl friend is—Betty?
 Where could I find an Airplane stump No. 3?
 Why fourth period Junior English class is so noisy?
 Why the fifth period study hall has its privileges taken away so frequently?
 Why Don Payne's part in the play was so well suited for him?

WITH THE ARMED FORCES

Some of the boys who have been home on furloughs and leaves recently are: Lee Zinn, of South Carolina; Lynn Wilson, Ph. M. 2-c, South Pacific; Virgil White, stationed in Oklahoma; John Lodge, "Ike" Baughman, Harold Leach, all stationed at Parris Island, S. C.

Lt. Frederick Thorpe, who was to report to California; Albert Carman, Camp Meade, Md.; Wilbur Simon, U. S. N.; John Shaluta of the Army; Dale Bartlett of the Marines; Lt. Wilbur Simpson, Army Air Corps; Jimmy Carpenter of the Air Corps.

Rudy Radcliff of the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.; Patsy Costello of the Marines; Guido Cavallo, Patsy Iquinto and Paul Green, all of the Navy; Woodrow Seamone, U. S. Navy.

Jack Boyles and Hugh Murphy on "boot" leave from Great Lakes; Brooks Stead, Camp Meade, Md.; Robert Boyles, a paratrooper stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.; Cpl. Morris Bennett, of Louisville, Ky.; Guy Bennett, Army Air Corps, who just returned from the European theater of war; Earl Allen, Marines, stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y.; "Mat" Harrison, yeoman 3-c, stationed at San Bruno, California; Okey Payne of the army.

Sgt. Burton Levicki has recently been transferred from Nashville to Camp Perry, Va.

Sgt. James Ancell of the Army Air Corps is now located in the Netherlands Indies.

Things We Like

1. Students who lock their lockers.
2. Friendly students.
3. Friendly teachers.
4. Hair bows.
5. Neatness.
6. Warm classrooms.
7. Snow storms.
8. Home talent plays.
9. Basketball games.
10. Chapel programs.
11. To chew gum in classrooms.
12. Neckties.
13. Good grades.
14. Good sportsmanship.
15. New teachers.
16. Small assignments.
17. "Loud" colors.
18. Servicemen.
19. Students who have their equipment.
20. Politeness.
21. Sense of humor.
22. Candy bars.
23. Dependable students.
24. Co-operation.

Things We Don't Like

1. Students who run in halls.
2. Tardy bells.
3. Large assignments.
4. Laziness.
5. Students that take the upper-classmen's seats in chapel.
6. Unfriendly students.
7. Bragging.
8. Losing a basketball game.
9. Quarreling.
10. Bad jokes.
11. Six-weeks tests.
12. Icy streets.
13. To see students smoking.
14. Low grades.
15. Over-confident students.

The student body and faculty members wish to express their appreciation to the management of the Grand Theatre for the opportunity of seeing "Wilson" at reduced prices.

Mrs. Kittle has been visiting her husband in Dayton, Ohio.

Three Sapphires

A SHORT STORY

(By MARY PINGLEY)

I am Alita Norell. At least, for now I am, since I dare not disclose my true identity lest I be accused of insanity because I refuse to silence the tongue that tells of the world of horror and evil in which I have lived; a world filled with selfishness and greed, and ruled by hate, the uncontrollable agent of the devil.

It seems that my evil destiny was planned before I was born for even as a small child I seemed to live in a black world apart from those about me. I was selfish then, often torturing my playmates for the sheer joy of learning the ghastly ways that would rack their innocent little bodies almost beyond endurance. I was guilty of deeds so morally base, not because I desired to be so low, but the black monster who seemed to hover over me constantly would not permit me to be otherwise. At the slightest sign of softening on my part, some evil thought would arise within me to torture my very soul until that thought became a deed.

The only love I had in those agonizing days of my childhood was that of my parents but even that was doomed to perish. It was on my sixteenth birthday that I saw that love die in one horrible moment, for in a fit of anger I destroyed the medicine that could have saved the life of my sister who was lying at the very brink of the grave. The words of my father still burn into my heart as I recall them: "When you were a child, Alita, I could overlook your evil deeds; but you have grown into womanhood and you have only grown worse in your wicked ways. You have taken a life, Alita, may God forgive you. I cannot."

I knew that I could not remain where my dear ones, stricken with grief, loathed the very sight of me, and again fate seemed to lead me right into the midst of the evil world of which I was a part. I took all my savings and a few clothes and started out, taking a train to a place of which I had never heard.

My first thought upon arriving at my destination was of work,

for my funds were sufficient only for a hotel room and a scant meal. This problem was soon solved, however, since the first place I visited was badly in need of a cashier, and since I had received a good education, I was found capable for the job.

I had worked only a few hours when my attention became centered around a young woman who the clerk informed me was Jaunita Bernette. Her face and other features were of little interest to me, but as she placed a few coins in my hand, I became enchanted by a ring on the third finger of her right hand. It was truly the most beautiful thing I had ever seen and I wanted it with all my heart. The beauty of it lay in three gleaming sapphires which seemed to swim in the tiny gold band. I stood in the doorway and watched the owner make her way down the darkening street, and suddenly I realized it was closing time. I ran out into the street, determined to follow my thoughts into which pounded quick footsteps that were taking the three sapphires farther and farther away from me. I quickened my gait and was soon very close to the young lady. From there I remember nothing except a wildness that was swelling up within me.

The next I remember I was in my hotel room listening to the deep voice of a policeman saying, "Jaunita Bernette was murdered last night." I was about to ask what that had to do with me when wrenching pain suddenly enveloped my whole frame. The peculiarity of it all was the fact that the pain all seemed to end in the third finger of my right hand. In one savage moment before dropping into black unconsciousness, I was about to tear the pained finger from my hand. But as I raised it toward hungry teeth, my eyes fell upon something which made me jump back in horror. There on my finger encircling the pain was a tiny gold band, and in the center of it still gleaming brightly, were—three sapphires.

Drops Of Ink To Make You Think

1. A beautiful heart more than offsets the handicap of a homely face.
2. A grudge is too heavy a load for anyone to carry.
3. Some students have "will" power; others have "won't" power.
4. Hunt for the good points in the other fellow; he has to do the same for you.
5. Common sense is too uncommon.
6. You can't be the salt of the earth without smarting someone.
7. If you are stranger to prayer, you are stranger to power.
8. Are you a reservoir, or a channel of blessing?
9. It's the shallow brook that bubbles.
10. The wages of sin never go unpaid.
11. Our idle days are the devil's busy days.
12. Folks with a lot of brass are seldom polished.
13. Do you develop eyestrain by looking for trouble?
14. Drink does not drown your troubles; it floats them.
15. Jealousy is a horse the devil likes to ride.
16. Step on your stumbling blocks instead of falling over them.
17. Experience is what you get while you are looking for something else.
18. A sound argument must have more than sound in it.
19. Temper is a valuable possession; don't lose it.
20. Some people fall for everything and stand for nothing.
21. A good thing to have up your sleeve is a funny bone.
22. The correct place for a knocker is on the outside of the door.
23. Dollars go farther when accompanied by sense.
24. A good thing about telling the truth is, you don't have to remember what you say.
25. Some folks are trying to get to heaven with their compass in reverse.
26. It does no good to sit up and take notice if you keep on sitting.

What Is Life?

"Life is a challenge, choose it; Life is a chance, take it; Life is an opportunity, seize it! Life is a battle, wage it; Life is a song, sing it; Life is a joybell, ring it; Life is a promise, test it; Life is a drama, act it; Life is an adventure, risk it; Life is a race, run it; Life is a contest, win it; Life is a duty, dare it."

Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps.

Through The Keyhole

You would be surprised at some of the things you can see through a key hole.

For instance Geneva Cleavenger and David Corrick holding hands in the hall. (Or wherever they happen to be.)

Someone's coming this way. Oh yes! Eva Malcolm and Lea Anderson. They're extra good friends now. It couldn't be because of Eva's brother. Could it Lea?

And what's this coming into view? A red shirt? Oh of course. It's Jimmy Stewart and he's trying to explain to some pretty girls that his blush is really just the reflection of his shirt.

Sylvia Swick was seen to be disposing of a Queen and now Jack is in her possession. What will be next Sylvia? A Billy?

Vacant seats can be seen in many classes now. Uncle Sam has called and they have gone.

You can see many centipedes in classrooms but not many book-worms.

In third period book-keeping class the students will soon have gray hair worrying over Mr. St. Clair. Is he really asleep or are his actions merely a blind so he can catch them throwing paper wads?

As students pass by I can see B. Wills playing Romeo to different girls. Better watch out girls he's just a wolf in Army clothes.

As I turn my ear to the keyhole I hear a rumor about Lawrence Martene and Donald Cleavenger becoming famous Dashers. There also seems to be a couple of Dots involved. Which Dot goes with which Dash boys?

Another rumor. This time it's about Bobby Marks waving at Annabelle Stemple from the window of the panel bus. They are wondering if it is love, Bobby?

Now the rumbling and roar has ceased as the boys and girls enter another classroom. The halls are quiet now and no one can be seen except an occasional student who is going to be tardy and is hurrying to class in hopes that the teacher won't be there before he is.

Book Review

"THE ROBE"

Late in 1940 Lloyd C. Douglas was confronted by an inquiry which came from a saleslady in Ohio. The lady was extremely anxious to know what had become of the robe that had been gambled for while its possessor was being crucified. Douglas replied that no story existed, but one of the sort should be written; consequently he took it upon himself to do so.

The result of the author's diligence in producing this story has brought to the public not only his ability as a novelist but a vivid description of the life of Christ.

The background of this successful new novel can be traced to the early life of the author. Being the son of a country parson, he was well acquainted with the Bible. His father often told him Bible stories, and always the characters were portrayed in such a manner as to make them seem real and alive. Often even a little drama was added to make the story more real.

As might be expected Lloyd Douglas grew up to be a preacher. But, within him there was a secret desire to write, so he combined the two. Perhaps this is the reason why the story is so real and interesting since the author practically lived his writings.

Mr. W. D. Gall, Jr., county superintendent, anticipates spending two weeks in Charleston during the present session of the State Legislature.

ECHO-GRAMS

Things To Watch For

- Daily surprise tests.
- A well-placed thumb tack.
- Tardy bells.
- Ice.
- Snowballs.
- Mr. Carpenter.
- Mr. up girls.
- Teachers.
- Good chewing gum.
- B B's.
- Sammy Marra when he sees a new girl.

OBSERVATION TOWER

From our Observation Tower we wonder:

- Why Joy and Philena were quarreling a few weeks ago.
- Why Sammy Marra is called "Chick."
- How Avonelle can stay so beautiful through the day.
- If Jessalie and Ned will ever make up their minds.
- How Louie Minnie can have so many woman admirers.
- How Mrs. Simon can put up with second period study hall or fourth period English.
- How long before Bill Woodford becomes an admiral or Joe Gouers a general.
- If Jack Murphy's interest is still in Galloway.
- Why Jimmy Stone pretends not to be a wolf.
- Who Valentine Winslow's new girl is.
- If it's the real thing between Jimmy Stone and Judy Chesser.
- Where Peggy Chesser keeps herself.
- Who Doris' new beau is.
- Who Mary Rose Kesling really goes with.

Just Imagine—

1. Runt Shaw dating Dottie Boyles.
2. Valentine Winslow not going to the pool room.
3. Miss Holsberry subscribing for Esquire, for the library.
4. Jane Grimm as the largest girl in school.
5. Avonelle Shaffer with an F in any of her classes.
6. Fifth period study hall without noise.
7. Runt Shaw playing a tuba.
8. Mary Bullough as No. 1 pin-up girl.
9. Myron Marsh as a professor of Philippi High School.
10. Mr. Woodford as a freshman.
11. Rebecca Fitzwater as a dancing fool.
12. Joe Manfreda with straight hair.
13. Being able to go through the halls without being knocked down.
14. Doris Boyles and Jane Grimm jittersbugging.

Consider The Hammer:

- It keeps its head.
- It doesn't fly off the handle.
- It keeps pounding away.
- It finds the point, then drives it home.
- It looks at the other side too; and this often clinches the matter.
- It makes mistakes, but when it does, it starts all over.
- It is the only knocker in the world that does any good.

TO HOLD INITIATION

The Thespian Club will hold its first formal initiation and banquet of the year in the gymnasium January 31.

The gym will be decorated and dancing will be the main feature of the evening.

Several new members will be taken into the club.