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- Looking Ahead Fri.-Sat., Nov. 21-22—"The Re-markable Incident at Carson Corners," 8:00 p.m., Little Theater
- Wed., Nov. 26—Assembly 9:15; School out at noon for Thanks-
- giving vacation Nov. 28—Basketball, Holland Fri., Christian, there
- Wed., Dec. 3-Senior Parent Visit-
- ation Day Fri., Dec. 5—Pep Assembly, 1:45; Basketball, Allegan, here Tues., Dec. 9—Senior Parent Vis-itation Day; Assembly, 10:15

# UNIVERSITY HIGH

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# Mystery to Challenge as Curtain Rises Death of Schoolboy Sets Stage for "Remarkable Incident"



## Mrs. C. White Speaks for Thanksgiving

"We gather together to ask the Lord's blessings."

With Thanksgiving only slightly over a week away, preparations are being made for the holiday.

Next Wednesday, November 26, the annual Thanksgiving assembly will be held at 9:15 in the Little Theater. Along with several songs by the choir, Austra Sweet and Lee Mimms will sing seasonal selections. Judy Wood-ward and Susan Van Riper will play a flute duet.

The principal speaker of the assembly will be Mrs. Catherine White, president of the Kalamazoo Council on Human Relations. Also slated for a short talk is Susan Schroeder.

The program will then be brought to a close with a timely prayer by Katie Johnson.

"There are those who have nothing to prove their age except the number of their years." -Seneca

"The Remarkable Incident at Carson Corners," a drama of high school stu-dents who attempt to determine the responsibility for the death of a classmate, will be presented Friday and Saturday evenings at 8:00 in the Little Theater.

The modern and informal theme is a distinct change from the elaborate comedies of past years. In a bare high school auditorium, a mock trial is being held by the students. A few months ago Billy McGinnis fell from the school fire escape and was killed. The fire escape had a broken railing; the janitor should have repaired it. He is accused

of murder. But is he really to blame? What about the person who moved the boy's broken body, the Doctor who arrived hours late, the building inspector who rushed on to a golf game? As minds recall these encounters, the guilt spreads over the assembled audience and is climaxed with a moving speech by the boy's father.

Robert Awgaitis stars as Mr. Kovalesky, the school janitor.

David Schau and Joy Gaylord play Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis.

The parents, whose initial lightness concerning the evening is a fine display of human comedy, are Robert Lee, Holly Burnett, John Rutherford, Jane Scholten, Lee Mimms, Suna Tiefenthal, Peter Hames, and Susan Faunce.

The school principal, Mr. Woodbridge, and his wife are portrayed by David Anderson and Inez Dale.

Sally Householder is Miss Frank, the high school English teacher.

The students holding the mock trial include Richard Bennink, Michael Bildner, Karen Buelke, Lou Ann Forsleff, Lydia Garneau, Richard Howard, Rudy Light, Kate MacDonald, Ann Potter, Robin Robinson, and David Stulberg.

Also in the cast is William Starkweather, a painter.

The production is under the direction of Miss Bernyce Cleveland.

All parents of Seniors who wish to know how the latter are progressing in school have the opportunity. They are invited to visit on December 3 and 9. At these times, they will at-tend school for the full day of classes and will confer with either Mr. Norris or Miss Crisman and go over the student's record.

#### **UNIVERSITY HIGHLIGHTS**

# Jest for a Laugh

"Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?" cried Sukie Correll from the balcony of the Science Building. A villain couldn't resist putting her book on the outside ledge and closing the window when she went out to rescue it.

During a discussion in World History on the fall of the Roman Empire, as if in dramatic illustration, Inez Dale's nail polish teetered and fell, spilling out onto the floor. Oh, well, all good things must come to an end.

"Boys, get your hands out of there!" screamed Katy MacDonald, all unaware, into the band's tape recorder. We know that you were referring to your pockets, Katy, but what will future generations think when they hear that tape?

\* \* \* \* \* Congratulations are extended to Mr. Hause, who had a ten pound baby boy.

Correction: Mrs. Hause had the baby.

Down boys! The rumors about a new girl in school, Miss Bennink, are false. Tears for you. Mr. Weber just got his tongue twisted when calling on Dick Bennink.

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Need information concerning bars? When Mary Ann Olson inquired whether election day was a national holiday, someone began listing stores that were closed. "But all the bars open at sundown," earnestly contributed Marilee Masterson.

Mary Wise has proved she has excellent reflexes. All Mr. Engels has to do is explode hydrogen bubbles in her hand and up she goes. Quite a scare, wasn't it, Mary?

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Time: 11:15.

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Place: Government class, room 2E. Scene: Dick Nielsen giving a speech.

Action: Dick profoundly states, "I intend to carry out all my girls . . . Oh, I mean goals!"

Result: One very red face!

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The game with Portage was certainly a hot one for Tim Lenderink. His sister, Judy, became too generous when applying the heat liniment on his aching back.

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"Squeeze, men, squeeze!" shouted our hefty football player, Jim Birch, as he and three others attempted to crowd into a small Renault. With arms and heads extending from the wee auto's windows they zoomed away.

# God's Prayer to America

Trust me, America . . .

The Pilgrims, enduring obstacles and uncertainties innumerable, fostered their sole existence in my ageless arms of guidance and your baby hands of promise. Likewise, you, yet a child, entrust your tomorrow to my fatherly care.

Be patient, America . . .

It takes time for a child to grow, to learn right from wrong, to gain wisdom. Don't try to overtake and understand that which yet is incomprehensible. Climbing the steep hill of progress will become much easier with practice in walking the steps of today.

Strive, America . . .

Your dauntless fathers, in that first endless year, with devoted, hard, hand-soiling toil, prevailed fearlessly in their incessant struggle for survival. Therefore, just as did they, seek not the menial and mediocre but the magnanimous and inimitable, leaving behind you no epitaphs of unaccomplished deeds.

Give thanks, America . . .

Daily you are growing stronger and more mature, accomplishing the "impossible," and gaining stature as an important nation. But, please, America, as the Pilgrims on the first Thanksgiving, take just a little time to bend your pride and bow your heart in sincere gratitude to Him who made you you!

-Judith Lyttle

# There Is So Much

I am one of millions of my age group; yet none of us are alike. With "beat" and "jive" inherent in me, I conform to the ways of my contemporaries, but I prefer to be individualistic among those older and younger. My mind is an independent one, separate from others, and I am grateful. I am full of different emotions: love that flows over; hate that numbs all other feelings; depression that makes my mind lie dormant; and laughter that is rich and abundant. I can sit and dream far beyond the realm of adult imagination. My curiosity is never satisfied about life, people, and love. I cannot bring God and reality to coincide so I seldom turn to Him for guidance. He is too unknowing for me to grasp, but I do understand His moral standards and these I hold in fervid belief.

Friends are a major part of my existence. Without peers, I would be lost in a void of loneliness; with them, I can express emotions that are often dead in parents. I cling tenaciously to the security I find in these friends.

Hidden within me is a deep love for my family. I find it hard at times to understand them, but here I receive a gratifying love through protection. The blood bond flows strongly through my veins.

School is the nucleus of my world. I may become a Hitler, an Einstein, an Eisenhower, or an Eleanor Roosevelt if I use the knowledge taught me; but I can also become a dope peddler, a derelict, or a pariah if my training is misused.

A wondrous thing, to me, is each day. I am forever seeing nature change: gilded in autumn, whitened in winter, greened in spring, and like the spectrum in summer. The calmness or viciousness of the wind fascinates me. When I see birth or death, I am awed by their simplicity. I live seriously, but often know the vibrant feeling of laughter.

I am young; yet I have stores of hope and faith, for I see beyond today and look toward a fruitful tomorrow, a tomorrow that I am preparing with my brains, energy and hopes. For all this life, I am grateful . . .

—Susan Harada

Little boy Chuck Come blow your horn, Or magic Herschal Will turn you to corn. Alarm, alarm, shut up that beep; Lazy student wants to sleep; Tsk, tsk, the student's late; A pink slip now will be his fate.

# Cagers Shoot for Big Season of 16 Tilts

## Cubs Stop Mustangs in Finale at Portage

'U' High's Cubs rambled to a smashing 41-6 triumph over the lack-luster Mustangs at Portage to climax their grid season with a winning record of 5-1-2.

The team started to roll early in the first period when Weldon Johnson swept wide to set up a touchdown. He later crossed the goal to establish the pattern for the Cubs. The cold weather didn't stop the fired up team as they continued to gain yardage each time their quarterback barked the signals. The final tally of the half was made on a drive by halfback, Tom VanderMolen. This left the scoreboard at 13-0 with two quarters left.

When the Cubs rushed onto the field, they were determined to score many more touchdowns. As the clock ticked off the seconds, 'U' High count-ed off the yardage. Terry Duncan scored on a run and sophomore end,

Dave Stafford, scored on an aerial from quarterback, Jon Carlson. Portage fans were given their chance to yell when the Mustangs scored on a 27 yard run, but the latter were just too far behind to catch the high scoring Cubs. Terry Duncan made it 34-6 as he

bulled his way across the Mustangs' goal line again. Dick Colby's toe, in good shape for the evening, made 5 of 6 conversions despite off side penalties after two good boots.

The squad's next scoring drive was stopped almost before it began when they found themselves deep in their own territory. With the element of surprise and the good down field blocking of the offense on his side, Dennis Ketcham faked a punt and ran the length of the gridiron to end the game and the season for the Cubs.

#### Pre-Dick-tions-

-by Colby

'U' High vs. Holland Christian Last year Holland Christian dealt 'U' High one of its worst defeats in recent years. It was the first game for both teams, but the Maroons had been practicing for more than a month while the Cubs had been on the hardwood court for approximately four days. This year's game will be much closer, but I take Holland Christian by nine points. Holland Christian 52—'U' High 43.

'U' High vs. Allegan

Allegan went through the Wolver-ine Conference basketball race with-"big guns" were graduated in June and therefore the wearers of the black-and-orange wil be an inexperienced crew. The Cubs are too strong for Allegan. 'U' High 55—Allegan 40.

## Reserves, Frosh Begin Under New Mentors

Last week, the basketball season got under full swing at 'U' High. This season's squad of cagers will get a full three weeks of practice before they vie with Holland Christian November 28. As many of you will remember, last year's team had less than one week of practice before their first game because of the "flu" epidemic.

Under Coach Earl Borr, this year's squad, who will try to improve the record of 9 wins and 9 losses of last season, will have 4 returning lettermen: Tom Brown, Dick Jackson, Dave Staf-ford, and Tom Vandermolen. Along

Basketball Schedule	
Nov. 28-Holland Christian,	There
Dec. 5—Allegan,	Here
Dec. 12—Vicksburg,	There
Dec. 19—South Haven,	Here
Dec. 30—Portage,	Here
Jan. 9—Plainwell,	Here
Jan. 16-Holland Christian,	Here
Jan. 23—Otsego,	There
Jan. 24-Mt. Pleasant,	Here
Jan. 30—Allegan,	There
Jan. 31—Alpena,	There
Feb. 6-Vicksburg,	Here
Feb. 13—South Haven,	There
Feb. 17—Portage,	There
Feb. 20—Plainwell,	There
Feb. 27—Otsego,	Here
March 1-6—District Tournament	

### Hilltop Viewpoint

-Scrivener Covert

It's traditional at this time to count our many blessings (thankful-ness is greater than triteness!): two and one-half days of vacation; the supply of marvelous food; five extra pounds which will then take two weeks to get lost.

This is also a time to thank people. football team isn't composed of just the players that play on Fridays. What makes or breaks a team is the caliber of the so-called "scrubs." These boys work and sweat every day in practice, but get very little recognition. Some of these unsung heroes on this year's varsity were Fred Allen, Jim Baker, Charles Barthold, Larry Chojnowski, Jim Coggan, Tom De-Vries, Gary Gauthier, Larry Groggel, Brad Hodgman, Peter Landt, George Lode, Tom Moyer, Gary Roon, Bob Schutz, Ron Schutz, Gary Shoudy, Bill Whitbeck, and Dennis White.

There must also be special thanks to Dr. William G. Birch for always being ready in case of injury at our games.

The managers, too, Wally and Ricky Kent, deserve our appreciation for they are right there when needed.

This is a time for gratitude for so much. A minute part of it might be a contribution to the Thanksgiving baskets. Maybe it is just a can of cranberries and fifty cents, but this might also be the only match struck during a family's week, one which will never quite go out. Happy Thanksgiving!

with these stalwart returnees are some up-and-coming boys who should add strength to the team: Tom Moyer, Don Ketcham, and Dave Hamilton, the top three scorers of last year's reserve team, and Al Terpstra, a transfer student from Milwood and thus ineligible for the first semester.

Height this season will be sorely missed by Borr's Cubs, but they should have an effective and impressive scoring punch to go along with a possible pressing defense.

Two exciting highlights of the year will be a return game with Mount Pleasant, whose players and coaches will stay over night with those of 'U' High, and a possible contest between the Cubs and Alpena Catholic, to which the team will fly by chartered plane should the game materialize.

An added note about the team is that they will be playing two home games at the Portage High gym and the remaining six at the Western Michigan University field house.

"Material is available, but it's up to the players," says Mr. Kenneth Beighley, new reserve basketball coach. Mr. Beighley is well-qualified for his judgment of the team, having a previous coaching record of 3 champ-ionships and twice being runner-up.

Out of a 16 man squad, Coach Beighley will have to choose a starting lineup. For this he should be aided by the return of reserve lettermen Scott Carter, Barry DeKreek, and Tim Duncan, who saw considerable action last season.

The Cublets will be hampered greatly by lack of height, but their speed afoot will probably compensate for this.

The reserves will vary their defenses, but plan to use a set offense.

Prospects for the approaching freshman basketball season look quite favorable after the first week of prac-tice. Though Coach Robert Soderman's "hardwooders" are small in number, they boast above par potential. They have good height this year in Tom Cooper and Dave Warren and a pair of classy ball handlers in Bob Engels and Jack Simpson. The team also in-cludes Tom Beattie, Tom Klammer, Eric Kent, Chuck Spence, Paul Wea-ver, Dave Wilson, Leonard Worden.

## Glamour Boy

Here I am, you lucky people! I really shouldn't be wasting my time, but I just know you're all eager to hear about me.

I'm the most handsome, genial, cordial, lovable person you'll ever meet. You should see the physique on me. I have the broadest, nicestshaped shoulders and the most mus-cular "footballish" legs. My arms are shaped like one of those Roman statues you always see, "round and firm and fully packed." I'm just a regular Mercury, I am. Black, wavy hair is my specialty.

It lies in deep waves all over my precious little head and does it ever make me look cute. Great, big, gorg-eous dimpled-cheeks assist in showing off my comely Greek nose.

Beside all these minor details comes my stupendous personality. Why, that alone can send you soaring toward the sky like a new Thor missile. I can charm anyone by simply opening my robin-red lips and purring out all those sweet little nothings that enchant everyone.

My greatest trait is my way with the girls. They eye me all the time, adoring and worshiping me. I know they'd all be thrilled to have me.

I'm agreeable about most everybut smoke makes me gag. thing, How can these other folks stand these "weeds?" Just the idea of that smelly, hazy stuff going all through me gives me that "itchy twitchy" feeling. But do I love to drink! The feeling of that warm, moist liquid flowing to my stomach "charges me all up." Driving is not one of my greatest feats, I must admit. The thought of just being in that seat and turning the wheel impresses me, tho. And do I love to honk that horn! Dad lets me drive all the time.

I think I'm pretty neat for a six month old boy!

-Janice Pemberton

Concert Corner

After a successful marching season, the band is starting on what it hopes will be a concert season just as successful.

On December 9, the band will display its ability at a concert for the student body. First part of the program will consist of serious numbers, while the latter part will feature novelty selections.

The swing and pep bands are re-hearsing for the Revue and pep assemblies, respectively.

This year's Red and White Revue will be held at the Civic on May 1 and 2. All acts will be tried out before the Red and White co-ordinating committee. We hope to make this year's Revue the best ever.

#### Death of a Teenage Turkey

The day is grey, no good for play, The sky is dark and bleary. There's wiser turkeys here than me.

- And they don't look so cheery. Some are hiding, some are crying,
- Others are consoling,

But the younger chicks like me, Are busy rock and rolling.

- Someone turned the record off, We're going to a session. Melvin Furd, the oldest bird,
- Is making a confession. He's known it all along, This afternoon we die.
- Now we see the reason, For his swollen, bloodshot eye.
- He tells us there are many ways, To serve a turkey dead-
- Hot or cold or diced or sliced On home made bread.

We don't feel like mourning-

- We found a shiny dime. So we'll play that crazy "Hand Jive,"
  - One last time.

Well, here comes Farmer Smith, With a hatchet and a knife,

As Ralphie Edwards says,

"This is the end of your life." Chris Cooper

#### To Survive in School

See no evil .... don't look at your fingers while typing if Mr. Chance is watching you.

Hear no evil .... don't listen to the back row jokes when Mr.

Lawrence is explaining the electoral system.

Speak no evil .... never say "yup" in Miss Giedeman's presence.

## Semi-micro Work Intrigues Chemistry Class

There is one good thing about a larger class, and that is that you have an opportunity to split the class and try new things. Such is the case in 9:15 chemistry. For the first time at 'U' High, Mr. Engels is employing semi-micro chemistry semi-micro chemistry.

Kippert Wheeler and Herschal Hill did a bit with it last year, but this year a whole class is working with it.

The difference between semi-micro and macro-micro, which is the most common type, is that semi-micro has smaller apparatus and deals with smaller quantities.

There are several advantages in using semi-micro. First, the student must be more exact in his measurements and calculations, a factor which may help him to become a better chemist. The weighing is much finer and more precise. Second, there is more of an opportunity to do individual work in this new kind of chemistry.

Chemistry classes in the future may even turn to doing all their work in semi-micro.

# **Cheerful Earful**

Mary Howard asked us to answer the ad submitted to our paper two weeks ago. Found: a girl slightly over 5 feet, 5 inches. Rewarded to Larry Groggel.

We heard a Lyttle something about Judi. She took willing Gary Gauthier to the turnabout.

Cinda Cox claims, "The Irish are really great!" A certain Jim Seiser just might be the reason.

Liz Manske, please take us out of the woods. What makes you pine so for a certain Birch?

Thoughts of the dance have been Buzz-ing around in Ann Kercher's mind lately. We mean Buzz as in Barthold, not as in bee.

It certainly isn't scouting that causes Mary Peelen and Jean Buelke to be interested in "Brownies."

Seen clad in new socks at the "Argyle Hop" were freshmen couples: Tom Klammer and Carol Griggs, Paul Weaver and Sue Buchanan, Dave Wilson and Sally Householder, and Dave Warren with Joan Schau.

Kathy Karsjes is having trouble touching the ground lately since'she's been going out with Terry Duncan.

Dave Spille has been Locked by a sophomore Nancy.

Dawn Isaacs has made another conquest. Bob Miller of Central is wrapped up in her charms.

The library is proving to be of more than educational value to Elaine Northam. She just loves those 10:15 stu-dies with Skip Baden. When asked "What does Thanks-giving mean to you," Marilyn Beattie

quipped, "The first vacation home for college boys!"

Behind the Green Door: It has leaked out that Marcia Sheets talks constantly about Cassopolis! Could it be that Norton Barnett has caught her eye?

John Brunner surely wishes that schedule changes were still permitted. He wants some classes with Susan De Crick.

Margie and Cindy Boyce find living on a farm very interesting, especially when Larry Quinlan and Dave Jones work there.

Denny White must have felt out of place during the Portage game. He likes Portage, or could it be Shelley Doyle?

Some of the lucky boys grabbed for the dance were Larry Chojnowski by Susie Faunce, Bruce Schuur by Mary Ann Olson, and Tom Wierman by Holly Burnett.

Bob Hartman and Linda Rogers have something in common. They have both lost their rings to other schools.

Having big sisters at college proves to be helpful for Stephenie Wenner and Karol Selleck.

Butch Doerschler must have a lot of charm with the women. Linda Cooper missed Central's homecoming game just to see Butch play.