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# State Highlights

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#### Senior Potluck Held Nov. 15

The annual Senior potluck will be held on Thursday, November 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Rotunda. All Senior students and their parents are invited. Senior parents are being called now, regarding the menu. The decorations will be of Thanksgiving

Working on the committee for the potluck are the Senior class officers, Carole Smith, Maynard Nieboer, Jackie Andrus, and Ruth DeHaan. Other members of the committee are Mrs. Nieboer, Mrs. Andrus, Mrs. DeHaan, Mrs. Wise, Miss Crisman, and Mr. Stauffer.

After the dinner there will be a period of group singing. The committee is planning on providing other forms of entertainment.

## Sale Nets \$800

The total sales for this year's magazine sale were \$2347.60. slightly under last year's final tabulations. Approximately \$800 of this total will be profit.

High salesman was Jean Hoag, of Homeroom 204A. However 204A not only brought forth the high salesman, but also boasted the high homeroom honor, too.

Profits from the sale ought to help bolster the now-sagging Student Council treasury, which stands at a \$100 deficit.

#### Vacation Planned

The week of thanksgiving Vacation will begin this year with Thanksgiving assembly at 9:00 on Tuesday, Nov. 20. The Vacation begins on November 21, at noon. During the vacation not only will Thanksgiving be observed, but the 1951 Twirp season will come to a climax. The Fall Turnabout, a sock-hop. will be given in the Women's Gym on Saturday, Nov. 24, from 9:00 to 12:00.

#### Juniors Near Goal

The class of '53 is confident that it can lick any and all of the finan-cial difficulties confronting them

during the year.
Pat Perigo, class treasurer reports an approximate balance of \$165 in the treasury. Incoming class dues should yeild about \$80 and the class, of course, intends to clean up on their share of the magazine sale profits.

# Tri-School Homecoming Starts

#### Dance Profits Aid Athletic Fund

Profits of over \$60 were received from the "Indian Summer" booster dance of October 26. This amount will go entirely to the athletic fund for the purpose of feeding our football players after out of town games.

Nancie Strome, social committee

chairman, said that they would like to give a Homecoming Dinner for all letter winners, if it is at all possible. She also said that if the attendance of the dances remains as high, the dances in the future will be bigger

## Civic Production

"The Gioconda Smile" by Aldous Huxley is now playing at the Civic Theater. The play is a suspense-filled drama based on a story by the same

Professor Limpus, member of Western's faculty, has the leading

The presentation opened on Thursday ,November first and will continue through the rest of the week.

## Debaters Organized

After a lapse of a year State High now has a debate team. Since Mr. Hinckley's leaving in 1950, there has been no one designated as coach of debate. This year a team made up of members from the debate club and another group who meet after school, is under the direction of Miss Ossatowicz, debater from the college who is a speech practice teacher this year. Saturday, October 27, the team attended a clinic held at Western. Tuesday, the 30th, they went to Battle Creek for another such meeting.

## Calendar

Wednesday, November 7-Administrative Assembly

Thursday, November 8—Homecoming Parade

Friday, November 9-Homecoming Game - Lakeview 3:30

Saturday, November 10-Homecoming Dance - Women's Gym

Thursday, November 15-Senior Potluck

Friday, November 16-"S" Club Hayride

Tuesday, November 20-Thanksgiving Assembly 9:00

Wednesday, November 21-Thanksgiving Vacation Begins-12:00

This year's annual Homecoming celebrations will be as follows: The Homecoming Parade will begin at Bronson Park around 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 8. It will terminate at Central High School where a tri-school pep rally will be staged fol-

lowing the parade. On Friday, November 9, State High will play their Homecoming Games. Game starts at 3:30 in Waldo Sta-

On Saturday, November 10, a trischool dance will be held in the Women's Gym. It will start at 9:00 and end at 12:00. The dance will be a climax to the Homecoming weekend.

#### Posters Launch Bookweek

"New Horizons for Books." This is the slogan for the National Book Week which begins on November 11 and extends through the 17th.

All over the United States librarians will be featuring projects to introduce people to the entertainment element in the country's libraries. Our library is featuring a poster contest. Any student in State High is eligible and welcome to participate.

The posters will be displayed in

the library and judged by Mrs. Struble, Miss Smutz, and two chosen student judges.

The prize for the best poster will be a certificate to be paid in lieu of money for any book you like from "Kon-Tiki" to "David Copperfield" in a downtown book-shop.

#### Speech Class Enters Contest

Students of Miss Cleveland's advanced speech class are participating in the fifth annual "Voice of Demo-cracy" contest. This contest requires an original radio script written by he student, of five minutes or less in length, to be tape recorded in broadcast form. The subject: "I Speak for Democracy."

#### Exchange Editor Chosen

Pete Shook has been chosen as the new Exchange Editor for the Highlights. Her responsibilities as this officer include locating the addresses of last year's graduates and sending the paper to them. She also must carry on a regular correspondence with other schools and mail issues of our paper to them. The position of Exchange Editor probably takes more steady work than any other job on the staff other than that of the

#### STATE HIGHLIGHTS

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## Homecoming Draws Distinguished Grads

Each year, as homecoming week rolls around, the old grads come trouping back to their old Alma Mater. To tell what they all have done and are planning to do would be impossible in this space. We can, however include three on which there was available information, namely Jim and Hadley Osborn, and Herb Smith.

While at State High, Jim Osborn was on the Student Council, monitors, and Highlander. When he graduated, he was a member of the National Honors Society and Validictorian of his class. He entered the University of Michigan in Sept. 1947, and will receive his A.B. Degree in Feb. 1951. Jim is a math major and in the varsity band in college. He is also a member of the Scholastic Honor society for Freshmen Men.

Hadley Osborn was on the Student Council, Highlander, Highlights, monitors, and he was also out for track and golf. He graduated in June 1950, and entered the University of Michigan, where he is majoring in English and speech. He is a member of the Honorary Society for Freshmen

Herb Smith was on the Student Council, Monitors, and Highlander Staff, of which he was the eiditor. He was chosen the all around boy of the Senior class, and was a member of the National Honor Society. Herb is a graduate of Northwestern University.



November 7—Gene Logan

November 8—Kate Randall

November 11—Gorden Copeland

November 12—Clare Gemrich

November 18—Vivian Smith

November 20—Dona Endsley Ted Emerson Fritz LaCrone

November 21—John Keyser

## Assembly Committee

The Assembly Committee this year is under the chairmanship of Janet Snow. The group consists of Ann Frey, Corby Lewis, Lilla Eliet, Martha Braden, Pete Shook, Lyn Cassidy, Red Gemrich, Kate Randall, Fred Dilno, Jackie Andrus, Charlene Pellowe, and Eva Aube.

The committee plans and organizes most of the school assemblies throughout the year. They hope to arrange the programs so that more students will have the chance to take

part in them.

#### Standard Tests Taken

Tests were given to the upper classmen during first hour classes on October 24th. Many of us have been wondering just why we take these tests and what the results will be used for.

The school has a regulation that all seniors must meet a certain standard in mathematics before they will be

graduated.

The Juniors had a psycological test which measured mental ability. The results of these tests will be available for teachers' information. The results will also show students' abilities required for college entrance.

The Sophomores were given no test this year. Hereafter they will be given the Kouder Preference Test. This test shows in what fields the student tends to be best suited.

Freshmen were given the California Mental Maturity Test before school started. This also is a psycological exam of mental ability which will be comparable to the test given when the student is a Junior.

#### Phases of 'Many Moons'

Saturday, October 26, "Many Moons," presented by the Masquer's and directed by Miss Cleveland, was given in the Women's Gym.

An appreciative audience watched the King and his court present the humorous children's play. The Modern Dance Club directed by Mrs. Brown furnished the dancing.

The production manager, business manager, and the stage manager were Debby Parker, Gloria Weiss, ad Liliane Malone respectively. Scenery and properties were handled by Willard Andrus and Judy Bree. Tamsin Malone was in charge of costumes, Donna Endsley supervised make-up, Kathryn Wood handled programs, and Dinny Linvedt arranged for ushers.

In addition to the above mentioned people, the cast and the director wish to express their appreciation for the extra work done by the following, Bill Andrus who drove his truck all over errands; Judy Bree, Louis Johnson, Bob Graff, John Gibson, John Lemon, Bonnie Peterson, Barbara Rock, and Linnea Taylor who made up the stage crew; Arburl Shook, who played the piano; Marianne Schau, who served as prompter; Julie Davis and Donna Endsley, who helped with the curtain; John Weber, who took charge of the lighting. Carole Smith and Beverly Griggs did art work and Miss Smutz furnished some ideas for scenery. Sue Gilbert worked on programs and Mrs. Jarman sold tickets. Miss Ehrnstrom, Mrs. Rowe, and Mrs. Struble furnished or helped make costumes. And last, but not least, is Miss Norma Parrish, a student teacher, who did a great deal for the play in every department.

Thanksgiving Campaign

At Thanksgiving time every year, our school presents a Thanksgiving assembly. This year, as in previous years, the Thanksgiving assembly committee plans to conduct a campaign for which the students bring cans of food to school. The comittee, working with the Red Cross, collects the cans, makes up baskets, and distributes them to the families in our city who might not have much of a Thanksgiving dinner.

## Assemblies Create Traffic Congestion

Probably many of us have heard complaints now and then from frustrated drivers concerning the traffic problem on Oakland Drive at the foot of our hill. This spot seems to be a bottle-neck where motorists and pedestrians wage a continuous battle of survival.

This situation might be partially solved by building an overpass above Oakland Drive for the students to use, but this project is not likely to materialize in the near future. In the meantime, there is something we can do to

to help right now.

At least every other week, State High journeys in a body to the Little Theater for assemblies. When crossing the road, it has been noticed that we give very little consideration to the automobiles. In the "safety" of a crowd, we stroll along leisurely in the midst of traffic as we wouldn't think of doing individually. The drivers have no choice bu to stop and wait for the "passing parade."

Next time we go to an assembly, let's try exercising a little courtesy to these drivers, and State High's name will undoubtedly rise in their estimation.

Dot Cartland



### **Events Scheduled** For Three Days

Homecoming this year is going to be a big event. It will be a three school affair and will include a parade along with the games, dance, a

pep rally and bonfire.

The parade, the first big event of the 1951 homecoming will be Thursday night, Nov. 8. Central, St. Augustine and State Hi will contribute floats, and, from rumors floating around, the college parades will stand some competition tomorrow night. The parade will start at 7 p.m. at Academy Street, from there it will proceed to Rose, Water, Burdick and down Dutton to Central's playground where the tri-school pep rally will be held. Along with the pep rally will be a bonfire and appropriate speeches.

Friday will be remembered not only as the day of the game but it will also be memorable to a good many freshmen from State High. This will be freshman initiation day, or as it is naively called, "freshman dress-up day." At the time of publication, the plans had not been finally settled on, but there were ideas of onions, to be tied around the neck, hair washed, but not put up, (for the girls) and, of course weird costumes. Pete Shook is in charge of the committee for plans for the fresh-

Friday afternoon at 3:30 the game with Battle Creek Lakeview (the Spartans) will be played. Freshmen must attend en masse and will be requested to make as much noise as hearts desire. little year, Coach Rolla Anderson's club was rated third in the State Class B competition. They have lost one game this season to keep up pretty well with last year's record.

With the Cubs out for their third victory of the season and the Lakeview squad trying for another win, the game Friday ought to be exciting

battle.

Friday night Central will play Homecoming game their with Battle Creek and Saturday St. A will meet Battle Creek St. Phillip.

From 9-12 Saturday night, Homecoming dance will be held in the Women's gym for all these schools. Admission will be 35c; there will be a band. The affair is definitely not dressy; rather, school clothes should be worn. During intermission State High will crown the 1951 homecoming queen, the rest of the schools having crowned their own queens at earlier dates.

The huge task of arranging the homecoming has been done by a trischool committee.

#### Soap for Locker Room Given by Homeroom 210

The most novel example of school spirit has recently been demonstrated Homeroom 210 A. During one of their homeroom meetings it was mentioned that the boy's locker rooms were without soap. Although the Student Council representatives from 210 brought up the matter in the next Student Council session, no results were noticeable. So 210 took it upon themselves to furnish the boys with soap of all sizes, shapes and smells. The idea seems to have gone over well according to Carole Smith, homeroom president.

210A. is a Senior homeroom supervised by Mrs. Rogers. Sandy Woodworth, Eleanor Alman and Don Smith

are the other officers.

## Cost Is High to Finance Players

Did you ever watch one hundred bucks run down the football field? When you see your favorite star running for a touchdown, that's what you

are seeing.

Over a period of one year, it costs approximately \$107.50 to dress one player for the season according to head coach Fred Stevens. The individual prices for each piece of equipment are listed below:

Helmet	\$17.00
Shoulder pads	\$10.00
Hip pads	\$10.00
Thigh guard, per pair	\$2.00
Game shirt	\$9.00
Game pants	\$15.00
Practice shirt	\$3.00
Practice pants	\$6.00
Shoes	\$21.00
Miscelllaneous itoms includ	

Miscelllaneous items including first aid, cost about \$7 a player for the year. It lso costs about \$7.50 to feed each player on away games during the season.

The approximate investment to put a 60-man squad on the field for one season is estimated by Coach Stevens to be \$6500.00.

Highlights Candy Sale Friday November 9

## Reserve Squad Wins

On Thursday evening the Reserve squad won their second game of the season by defeating Otsego "B" by the score of 27-0. Otsego defeated State High "B" by a score of 6-0 in the first meeting of the two teams.

State High scored in the first quarter when Joe Gillis on an end-around play passed to John Warfield for 25 yards and a touchdown. Ryan's kick was wide. In the Second quarter-Brooks Godfrey passed to Al Gemrich for 11 yards and another touchdown. Ryan's kick was again wide. Score at half—State High-12, Otsego-0. State High scored 2 points in the

third quarter when Matt Peelen and Jim Hatfield tackled the runner behind his own goal line for a safety.

Score-14-0.

In the third quarter—Don Kilgore ran 25 yards off tackle for a touchdown-Ryan's kick was wide again-

score—20-0.

Early in the fourth quarter-Don Kilgore again broke off tackle and went 31 yards for a touchdown. This time Pat Ryan made the kick, and the final score was State High-27, Otsego-0.

Our Starting lineup-

E. Warfield T. Peelen G. Sebaly Meek C. G. Harwood

T. Berkhousen Gillis OB. Godfrey HB. Gemrich HB. D. Kilgore

FB. Ryan

by Coach Walters

LAKEVIEW WALDO STADIUM Nov. 9 3:30

## College Football Powers in Michigan

Michigan State and the University of Michigan are the two most prominant college football teams in the State of Michigan. Both teams, members of the Big Ten Conference, are nationally ranked this year, as they have been for many years. However, some twenty places separate them, with Michigan State rated second and the University of Michigan twenty first.

Neither team can represent the Big Ten in the annual Rose Bowl tilt this

year. Michigan State has one more year before they are eligible to go to the Rose Bowl. However, in all probability when they are eligible they will

pose a serious threat for the Big Ten title.

Michigan is also ineligible to face the West Coast opponent, as they went to the Rose Bowl last year. This leaves both teams completely out of the Rose Bowl picture.

Both teams have All-American talent on their rosters. Michigan State's Bob Carey, their left end, and the University of Michigan's Tom Johnson, the big tackle, are the main prospects from each team.

For many future years, as they have in the past, both teams will continue to well represent their schools in the Big Ten Conference and throughout the Kay Peelen nation.

## Love 'n Stuff

There are some new twosomes around State High, proving that although it may not be spring, romance is not hibernating.

Ann Mahoney is going steady with Frank Maher (a well known alumnus of a year). It's really swell, Annwelcome to the club!

We heard the comment made by Jiggs Harbor after he sat on Bobbie Gleasons (?) present. Better watch

Charlene Pellowe has Tom Wren's medals and Tom Wren. Congrats, kids—we think Portage guys are

Dave Roth is home on leave from the Navy, and Janet Snow is happily going steady with him. Also we notice Wayne Carr and Rosemary Buckham going on hayrides together and with no one else.

Our nonminatin for cute couples of the month—Carole and George,

and Sue and John.

Our sources tell us something about a gay time after a recent foot-ball game with a gallon of cider. Know anything about it, Sally and Paul? We thought so!

Then there are gals like Patt, Jackie, and Suzie who agree the "variety is the spice of life."

The freshmen are still in the blushing stage of talking about their dates, but we know who really gets around. Watch for their names in the future.

of the week-Joanie's Surprise made up her mind. No josh! Just ask

# Lads and Lasses Labeled

They say that it takes all kinds of people to make up a world, and it looks like we have a good example of this maxim right here in State High. We find many varieties of students, each with his own particular "trade mark" by which he may be recogniz .ed. See if you agree with our IDENT-IFICATION TAGS:

Junior girls:-"Yeah, I did" Senior girls—peroxided bangs Vivian Smith—white bucks Mary Jane Rodgers-diamond Pete Platt—cowlick Joe Gillis-racin' 88 Diane Pullon-eyes Ruth DeHaan—home knit sweaters Evelyn Steketee-"Just Plain Bill" Sandra Buck—hair cut Ralph Allen-stripped down hot rod Kathryn Wood-hair Bob DeHaan-motor scooter Denny Bryan—eye lashes Ken Cobb-Levis Nanette Slavin-two wool sweaters

#### Emerson's Ethics

If you were to meet him for the first time, you would see through his guiet manner at once and realize that he is an important person.

This handsome guy with the blonde hair, blue eyes, winsome smile and athletic build is our student council president, Ted Emerson.

His special interests are sports and Addie Anne. Angel food cake is on the top of his list of favorite foods and his pet peeve is people who make a lot of noise when they eat.

After he graduates from high school, he intends to go to college and study engineering, although at the moment he hasn't decided which college he will attend.

In connection with his job as president, he states that there is an overflow of meetings with which an awful lot of work is attached. Ted doesn't seem to mind it and he thinks that there isn't a better way to get experience in that field of endeavor.

Cooperation from the students as a whole has been very good and everyone is working hard. This pleases Ted for he is a hard worker himself.

The main things he would like to start work on at the moment are, revising the constitution, and getting more girls to the dances.

## Fotographers Frolic

What was that mysterious object in the darkened Little Theater Auditorium during the book week assembly? Was it a bird? Was it a plane? No, it wasn't superman. The Highlander staff introduces their new secret weapon that will make this year's yearbook guaranteed the best book ever.

The secret weapon that you saw on Tuesday was only one third of our atomic plan. Our man was shooting at the stage in order to bring permanent recollections of our first assemblies to your yearbook. Our first photo taker, John Lemon, a senior from South Dartmouth (street) has already caught you unaware: filling the secretly-locked, carefully guarded, picture file full of "dittys"

Ruthmary Persons, who has even stood for long minutes in the dripping rain in order to contact all possible candidates for the title of "chief Senior-picture-taker" is the next one third of the staff's atomic bombshell. Ruthmary's "special" is parties. She may crash your's.

John Gibson is our third fraction which completes the whole. He, too is in on the plan of secret service that is bound to catch you in the halls without using a flashbulb! Isn't that something? He learned that trick from secret agent number 107389, Mr. C.W. Lininger.

Start collecting some good snap-shots, guys and gals;; our three boogy men will get you if you don't watch out!

# Faculty Drafted

Universal military training has been advocated recently for boys 18 years of age. Did you ever think what might happen if all teachers were required to attend a military camp to obtain a soldier's view of world events? In other words what would evolve it State High's faculty were drafted?

Of course, civilian rank means nothing in the Army. Walking along the streets of Camp Cuddles, our reporter discovered Private Bryan busily stabbing cigarette butts. He was working off demerits gained by talking back to General Marshall, (Stark, that is). Pfc. Cooper was discovered on K.P. duty, he had forgotten to salute W.AC. Lieutenant Jarman.

Sergeant Deur and Corporal Schoenhals were cooling their heels in the ing. They had been caught playing solitaire while on guard duty. As a result of their negligence, four spies entered the camp. Luckily the spies were routed by a rendition of "BEANS, BEANS, BEANS" by Head Chef Stauffer. (Did you ask where Mrs. Patterson is? I believe you mean Corporal Patterson of the Electrical staff. In the Army, nothing is ever done according to logic.)

Wait a minute! Maybe something is logical after all. Draftees Beloof and Frey are over at the barber-shop with the quartet. Quartet of W.A.C.s, you understand .Frey and Beloof just received their first crew-cuts, close. The four W.A.C.s, on scrub duty are helping them search for their shorn locks to save as souvenirs. Will these innocent rookies ever be able to thank the gay Army gals; Ebert, Osborn, Lowrie, and Collins? We see private Crisman ready for court martial. She neglected to polish the bottoms of her shoes.

Corporal Leonardelli, if you please, Sir! How do you find Army life? You just wakeup in the morning and there it is? I see! What's that? You don't mean Lieutenant Beyer has a grudge against you?! Just because he made you walk 56 miles under full pack! I agree, Corporal, it wouldn't have been so band if he hadn't driven his jeep along in front of you, making naughty faces.

Will you look at who is driving General Marshall's private car! None other than that cute little W.A.C., Private Large. We hear she took the job to avoid the daily gymnastic drills. That is the same reason Pfc. Walters scrubs floors all day. He finds he can't stand calisthenics.

As a result of this survey into Army life, the reporter feels that if the old saying is true, the only way to confuse the enemy is to confuse yourself, then with these proficient soldiers(?), the U.S.A. can't help but come out on top.

Red Gemich - "Do you know how to drive a baby buggy?"
Jon Sebaly - "No, how?" Red - "Tickle its little feet."