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# State Highlights

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## Dr. Sangren Will Be Honor Speaker

The Honor's Day assembly will be on Friday, June 9, at 2:00 in the Women's Gym. Dr. Paul V. Sangren of Western Michigan College will give

the Honor's Day address.
Dr. Roy C. Bryan will pass out the awards to students who have been active in extra curricular activities at State. Students on the monitors staff, Highlights, debate, Highlander, homeroom and council offcers, and those which have achieved high scholastic and music averages will receive recognition.

During the program Brad Smith will sing a solo. A duet by Mary Ann Tinkham and Alene Watterworth is

also featured.

The new council officers, Frank Nugent, Jim Dollahan, Mary Joyce Maltby, and Kay Malotte, will be inaugurated at the assembly.

Music for the affair will be provided by the band.

#### Graduates to Receive Aid

News has been received of several more scholarships awarded State High seniors. After examining the College Board exams and several other tests taken by Dick Curry and Jim Hoekje, the Massachussetts Institute of Technology has awarded them \$300 and \$200, respectively, upon the condition that they attend that school.

Another winner of a competitive scholarship is Alice Teugh. Out of a field of nearly 75 applicants, she won the top one of three competitive scholarships given by Western Michigan College. She hus won \$175 for one year. This is renewable.

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tions from the high school and high marks, Western Michigan College has awarded honorary scholarships to Frances Frey, Jackie Slaughter, Brad ley Smith, Dorothy Tucker, Claire Miche, Lorraine Hope, and Billie Forbes. The scholarships provide for full tuition for two years and are renewable.

CALENDAR

June 7-Sports Award Assembly Driver Training Picnic June 9-Honor's Assembly

Choir Picnic

June 10-Farewell Dance to Seniors

June 12-Exams

June 13-Exams

June 14-Exams

Junior-Senior Prom

June 15-Graduation

June 16-Band Picnic

## Junior Class Host

On Wednesday, June 14, in Walwood Hall ballroom, from 9:00 to 12:00, the annual Junior-Senior Prom will be held.

Shirley Gary and Don Cain are cochairmen of the planning committee. The Junior class as host has chosen Bobby Davidson's orchestra to play for the dancing.

Lynn Tuberty and Frank Maher are in charge of the decorations which will carry out the theme of "Forget-Me-Not." Mary Teugh is in charge of refreshments, Pat Pahalek heads the finance committee, and Sandy Beebe is advertising chairman.

Mary Maltby and her committee are working on programs, Sally Kurtz on invitations, and last but not least, the chaperones are being invited by Kay Brower. The whole Junior Class is working hard to make the prom the best possible.

#### Happy Birthday

June 13-Bruce Brown

June 15-Winifred Craig

Maxine Bondhouse June 16-Doug Owen

June 17-Billie Fobes

Shirley Standish

June 19-Ann Mahoney

June 20-Gordon Leathers

June 22-Joy Copp Eva Aube

Phil Steen

June 23-Sue Snyder June 25-George Reeves

June 27-Sally Kurtz June 30-Lois Harvey

Fred Dilno

#### New Classes Next Year

Choir will offer an opportunity for full credit next year. This is made possible by the addition of glee clubs which will meet at 3:00 every Tuesday and Thursday under the direction of Mrs. Leoti Britton. The girls' glee club will meet on Tuesdays and the men's on Thursday. A try-out will be necessary for admittance to these groups.

A combination program is being initiated into the ninth and eleventh grades. Social studies and freshman English will be combined in one two hour course with the same teacher and students. A similar program is planned for the eleventh grade, combining U.S. history and English.

Mrs. Saur will be back with the Social Problems class for seniors. A semester of this, together with one semester of government will give one unit of credit

## Whitman flavors Grad Program

A new procedure will be inaugurated at the Commencement exercises June 15th, 1950. A student, an alumni, and a parent will present their thoughts on three questions of universal significance. The theme for the program was chosen by a committee of representatives from the four senior English classes. Taken from Walt Whitman's "Leaves of Grass," the title of the program and basis for the introduction is Never were such sharp questions asked as this day. The speakers topic questions are from the same source.

What do you think endures? will be presented by Jackie Slaughter, student, Do you see the poems and processes of Democracy? will be discussed by Glenn Allen Jr., alumunus; and The clock indicates the moment but what does eternity indicate? will be examined by Vern Mabie, parent.

The invocation will be delivered by Hadley Osborn, and the benediction will be pronounced by the Rev. Eldon Watterworth. Jack Hill, president of the Senior class, will present the introductions. Instrumental music for the program will be furnished by the High School String Orchestra, conducted by Elmer Beloof. Mrs. Leoti C. Britton will conduct the full choir in a number at the beginning of the program, and the eighteen graduating choir members will conclude choral activity. Dr. Roy Bryan will officiate at the presentation of the diplomas, assisted by the advisors.

Following the Commencement Exercises in the Women's Gym, the Senior class, their parents and guests will be entertained at a reception in the rotunda of the Training School. Miss Ruth Sanders and Joan Bavierla are in charge of the arrangements, and the string ensemble will provide

The graduation committee appointed by the Senior Class officers has been working for many months with faculty sponsors and advisors. Miss Eunice Kraft is general chairman and Ann Eldridge is student chairman. Members of this working group are Mary Fopeano, Hadley Osborn, Jane Smith, Alene Watterworth, Bradley Smith, Pat Mabie, Jack Hill, Jackie Slaughter, Miss Cleveland, Mr. Hinck-

ley, Miss Smutz, and Dr. Bryan.

Jack Brenner is acting as head usher for the affair Assisting him will be six representitives of the junior class. Jim Brosseau, Jim Russel, Dick Hawkins, Frank Nugent, Fred Hubbell, and Roger Lininger.



Pictured above are four of the newly elected Highlander members. Left to right are: Marshall Brenner, business manager, Joyce Perry, Editor, Pete Linquist, business manager, and Mary Alice Hilliard, associate editor.

#### Outdoor Band Concert To be Held June 8

On Thursday, June 8, the State High band will present its first outdoor concert of the year. The concert will be held on the Library steps at 6:30 p.m. In case of rain it will be transferred to the Women's Gymnasium.

The program is divided into two parts with an intermission.

The opening number is the march "Tuscarawas" with student conductor Lorraine Hope conducting Following will be Johann Sebastian Bach's Chorale "Break Forth O Beautious Heavenly Light." "In Old Vienna," a musical description of Vienna, Germany, and a trumpet trio composed of Pete Longjohn, Hadley Osborn, and John Thayer will present a polka, "The Three Solitaires."

Roger Mills will conduct "Pavanne" by Mortin Gould; a semi-popular classic. Carol Cessna will play a clarinet solo "Silhouette." As a last number in the first half the entire band will play "American Patrol."

After the intermission, Ted Klinger, band president, will conduct "Overture Americana" and Jim Bowen will play a trombone solo, "The Water Witch." Next on the program is a modern number, "Bobby Sox Suite." The band will then play "Thendara Overture." To finish off the concert the band will play "Hilltoppers" the new school song.

The concert is free and the public is cordially invited.

## News Staff Elected

From the list of students who expressed a desire to work on the year-book, the faculty, Dr. Roy C. Bryan, and the present Highlander staff finally completed the job of choosing a new Highlander staff for next year's book.

The selection of members followed closely with the student's wishes and a great deal of time and effort went into drawing up the staff.

Instead of having co-editors, there will be one editor, Joyce Perry and her associate editor Mary Hilliard. Business managers will be Pete Lindquist and Marshall Brenner. The feature editor will be Sandy Hackman. The assistant feature editors will be Sally Kurtz, Ilyne Weisman and Mary Teugh. Nancy Doubleday and Charlotte McGinnis will serve on the organizations staff. Bonnie Harlan and Goldie Fooy have the job of obtaining subscriptions. Replacing Pat Mabie as art editor will be Sandy Beebe. John Gelder and his assistant, Dick Hawkins, will take over the sports editing. Jim Brosseau and Beverly Howard will work together on photography, taking the place of Dick Curry and Billie Forbes.

Thanks to the Student Council for giving a swell Monitor-Highlights luncheon.

### Notes in the News

The trip to Chicago that was to be taken by the Senior math students has been cancelled.

An eighth grader, Dianne Pullon, won the sky-blue Packard which was awarded as the grand prize at the Kalamazoo Symphony Benefit.

Orchids to our baseball team for tieing with Niles for the league championship.

Fred Hoyt broke his leg for a worthy cause. He was sliding in home during baseball practice.

Our new assembly chairman is Sandy Hackman.

Next year Sandy Beebe will be the chairman of the pep committee.

#### Coun. Activities Reviewed

The student council officers next year really have big shoes to fill. Gaylord Kitchen, Frank Spitters, Jill Gannaway, and Paul Deal, officers who headed this year's council, have done a swell job and began working even before school started.

You remember the swell Get-acquainted party? (Dr. Bryan said that it was the best one we have ever had). As the social committee wasn't set up yet, the work of putting on the party went to the officers. After school got under way, secretary Jill Gannaway headed the social committee in planning the informal dances and the Turnabout, Christmas Formal, and Spring Formal.

On the financial side, we all remember working on the magazine sale under the direction of treasurer Paul Deal, and some of us (especially the eighth grade) remember the prizes. Then there were those hot dogs, cokes, and programs at the football games, and the coke machine in the study hall.

Frank Spitters had the usual Vice President's job of heading the citizenship committee, and devoted his energy to developing a noon rcreation program.

As president, Gaylord Kitchen presided at all the Student Council meetings, various committees, assemblies, worked a Vice President of the CASMSC (Cooperative Association of Southwestern Michigan Student Councils), and had many other duties.

The whole council worked all year solving problems that arose in the school, improved parent-teacher-student relationships through the PTSO, and in general tried to improve State High.

We all thank this year's council and wish next year's the best of

## Nurses Club Organized In State High

Under the direction of Mrs. Arthur McPerson of Kalamazoo Nurses' Auxiliary, a pre-nursing club is being organized for girls interested in entering the nursing profession. The girls will get together on Wednesdays during club periods. At their bi-weekly meetings, they plan to engage doctors and nurses to come and speak to them about various phases of their work.

An a part of their activities, the girls plan to follow in the footsteps of the group which was organized at Central during the past year. It is hoped that each girl will be offered the opportunity to go down to Bronson Hospital and help entertain the sick children. They will read to them, play games with them, and other helpful jobs that the nurses will not be able to find time to do.

It might be that some of you are considering the nursing profession as your future vocation, or maybe you just love children. Anyway you look at it the Nurses' Club is going to have a great deal to offer you.



#### Dancers Bid Farewell

On Saturday. June 10th, we will have our last dance. The seniors and other guests will be admitted free. All others will pay 15 cents per person or 25 cents per couple. This farewell dance will last from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. and will be held in the Women's Gym.

The committee consists of Beverly Swoap, Chaperones; Mary Joyce Maltby tickets; Frances Frey, refreshments; Jane Williams, advertising; and Joan Bauierla, decorations.

Music will be furnished by the "Swing Three."

## Staff Elects Jim Russel Editor



# Honors Distributed To French Students

Included among the many awards given at this time of year are those presented in the French department of State High. The students of French I and II classes with the help of Mr. Fliess have garnered many honors for themselves and the school and have participated actively in the newly formed French Club.

Bob Horstman, a second year student, came in with double honors this year by winning two medals: one for taking first prize in a state-wide contest, the oher from L'Alliance Francais, which was honorary.

Nancy Doubleday was the first in her French I class in a similiar competition and placed seventh in the state. She will receive an award in the Honor's Day Assembly.

Jackie Slaughter will receive the Medal of Honor, which is for the student showing the best all-around interest in French. She was President of the French Club and ranked high in scholarship in both French I and II.

The Highlights staff has chosen Jim Russel to direct the publication of next year's news. Jim has had two years of experience on the paper to prepare him for the editorship. Joining the staff as a sophomore, he spent his first year reporting athletic activities. This year, he has been the sports editor of the Highlights.

As editor, Jim hopes the paper will help develop the coordination between the monitors, the Student Council, and the Highlights. Also he says, "I would like to see more contributions from the rest of the student body through the use of the Highlights Box. A high school paper belongs to the whole school."

Seniors leaving the staff are Dale Crawford, Mary Tinkham, Jack Hill, Ann Eldridge, Pat Mabie, Hadley Osborn, Jackie Slaughter, Cleora Fletcher, Dick Curry, Elizabeth Brenner, and Mary Fopeano.

They will be replaced by Kate Randall, Mary Teugh, Roger Lininger, Joan Siles, Nanette Slavin, Nancie Strome, Nancy Doubleday, Kay Peelen, Suzanne Gilbert, Frank Maher, and Kay Loughead.

This issue of the Highlights is dedicated to the Student Council and its president, for, with out their help, this last of the 1949-50 publications would have been impossible.

# Students Report Class Picnics To Be Popular

Comes spring, and once again ants and picnic baskets get their workout as many hilltop organizations take to the lakes around Kalamazoo.

On May 24th the monitors went to Ross Township Park, and ten of State's friendly watchdogs, including Mrs. Muriel Vincent, braved the icy waters for a swim.

All the class picnics were held on June 1, except the senior skip day which was held on June 6 at the Eldridge cottage on Lake Michigan.

This spring two new organizations had picnics for the first time. On May 29th, the thirty-five Y-Teens and Hi-Y members enjoyed a get-together at Winston Wessels' Gull Lake cottage. In an original method of financing, the driver training picnic today was arranged by Mr. James Luth, the driving instructor. Each time a "pupil" killed the engine, a nickel would go in to the ice cream kitty. The class will picnic at Yankee Springs.

Shirley Smith was in charge of the Student Council picnic held at Yankee Springs on May 31st. The band will have their annual picnic there, too, on June 16th, and State High's robed choir will go to Gull Lake June

9th.

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# Year of Sports Has Held Many Thrills and Memories

The sports year of 1949-50 has been crammed full of thrills and fun. Some of the records haven't been so good, but all the boys have gotten lots out of the year.

The Cubs started off with a bang as they rolled over Portage in the lid lifter of the football season. Things didn't go so well for our baby bears after that as they dropped six out of the next seven. The big attraction on the gridiron was our terrific passing attack. Jack Hill tossed 'em and either Smith, or Speedy Al received them.

Basketball furnished carloads of thrills. Nobody who was there at Holland will ever forget the Christian game. With State leading by one point and time run out, one of the Dutchmen stepped up to the free throw lane, with hopes of tilting it up. It was wide. And remember the night down at Dowagiac when everybody, especially Knowlton, was pouring the ball through the mesh. Big Jerry racked up twenty points, the high for the year

This year's baseball team showed lots of class. They tied for first in the Big Seven. Some fancy flinging of Clair Kirkpatrick, Lefty Smith, and Dick Hawkins had much to do with the success of the team. Kirk's

## Golfers Place Fifth In State Tournament

State High's golf team tied for first place in the Regionals, although they lost to Dowagiac in the play-off. They qualified for the State Tournament which was held in Port Huron, and which proved to be one of the finest athletic trips in the school's history.

The team left early Friday morning and arrived at the Harrington Hotel around 11:45. They played a practice round at the Black River Country Club and then took in the sights at the famous tourist town.

It was rainy and cold the day of the tournament and the Cubs placed fifth. Jack Hill had 84, John Gelder 85, Maynard Nieboer 97, and Joe Zitney 98.

After the meet, the team went Over the Blue Water Bridge in to Canada where they shopped and ate. If our lads look mighty worn out, you'll understand, because they crammed into two days what most people do in a week.

The members of the team would like to thank the school for a terrific

one-hitter against St. Joe was one of the finest performances seen this year. Another thrill that will stand in the memory was Hubbell's game winning double, in the South Haven game.

State came up with another top tennis team. Pore, Fast, and Littig led the way in the top three positions. The match that stands out the most was the first one with Holland. Deal and Dilno playing number two doubles decided the match with a threeset match, 10-8 in the third. The netters won both the conference and Regional titles.

The golf team had a good year. They had a record of six wins and two losses in dual meets. They placed fifth in the State Class B tournament. The Holland match was one that the boys won't forget. The Cub linksters edged the Dutch by one stroke in a match played in a strong wind and rain. Another big one was the defeat of Dowagiac's Regional champs.

The track team was hampered by injuries, but still had a good year. A sight to remember was Nugent flying around the track anchoring the relay in our first meet. Frank was about 70 or 80 yards back when he took off after his man. He caught him to bring in a first for the Cubs.

Hats off to the seniors who have played their last for the Blue and Gold. The rest of us hope we can do as well next year.

## Baseball Squad Ties For First in Big 7

Big 7 Standings (final)

Team	W	L	Pct.
State High	5	1	.833
Niles	5	1	.833
South Haven	4	2	.667
St. Joe	4	2	.667
Dowagiac	1	4	.200
Buchanan	1	4	.200
Three Rivers	0	6	.000

The State High Cubs earned a share of the Big 7 baseball tilts with Niles by topping St. Joe 2-1 behind the one-hit pitching performance of Clair Kirkpatrick The one hit Clair did allow was of the scratch variety, a dribbler that either Crawford or Spitters should have had.

State High got one run in the first inning on an error, walk, sacrifice, and an infield out. Then, what proved to be the winning run, was scored in the second frame. Meek singled, stole second, and came flying home when Kirkpatrick's second hit of the year, a popfly double, fell safe.

St. Joe's lone run came after two were out when Meek dropped a third strike, the batter went to first and stole second. Meek then threw wild over Moody's head. The Cubs' other scoring chance was nullified when Hubbell was thrown out at the plate.

With one game left to be played Coach Stevens' record reads 6 wins and 3 losses. The lone conference loss came from the hands of Niles earlier in the season. Clair has credit for 5 wins and the 3 losses, while Hawkins can claim the other victory.

# Sports Teams Show Promise Of Excellent Records Next Year

Next fall, before school opens, football practice will have started, and coach Fred Stevens will start to compose his squad for the 1950 season. He will have some experienced players in the line with co-captains Mindeman and Hubbell at the ends, George Hager, John Gelder, and Don Cain, at tackle, Pete Lindquist and Bruce Brown at guard, and Pat Coffield at center

The backfield, however, looks like a big problem. Maynard Nieboer is the only varsity squad member returning. Some likely-looking prospects are Duncan Carter, Dick Defreese, Ken Sherman, and Al Hackman. The biggest hunt is for a quarterback. Leading the race is Don Gill.

Another job for a detective is turning up a pair of guards for the basketball squad. Fred Hubbell, Jack Mindeman, and Frank Nugent are coming back at center and the forwards, but no guards are returning. If a pair of these should pop up, it seems we should have a well-balanced team

Baseball draws another blank. Clair Kirkpatrick, Dick Hawkins, and Fred Hubbell are the only regulars coming back next year. The rest of the squad will be green. Coach Stevens will have to replace the complete infield and two members of the outfield with inexperienced members. It's going to be a big job.

The track team will have some sprinters back, but the rest of he squad is graduating. Frank Nugent Duncan Carter, Ken Fricke, Dick Teugh, and Ken Sherman are returning to run the sprints, and Don Cain, Bruce Brown, and George Hager will be throwing the shot. The rest of the team will be new.

Tennis is losing Jim Pore, Steve Fast, Garrett Kruizenga, Tom Holdship, and Paul Deal. Returning will be John Littig, Jim Russel, Bob Dalm, Fred Dilno, and Roger Lininger.

Golf prospects are better than average with John Gelder, Maynard Nie boer, Dave Roth, Ron Chipps, and Jim Nichols remaining. The team will be hit hard, however, by the loss of Jack Hill and Joe Zitney.



Who is the president of the largest senior class in the history of State High? Who helped the golf team to six victories? Who plunks the uke better than Godfrey and the tonnette like Jerry Knowlton? Who? Who else but Jack, "your friend and mine", Hill.

Jack is 18 years old, blondish, has blue eyes, and stands at 5 ft, 8 in. When I inquired of his plans for the summer, he informed me he is going to teach the alphabet to the ants. When I refused to believe it, he fin ally said he is going to make like Casey Jones and work on a railroad.

Anyone who has ever seen Jack on the dance floor can tell his first love is music and dancing. Sports fans know him for he has received a letter in baseball, basketball, football, and golf.

Attending Western next year are Zelma Albert, Marilyn Carlson, Don Dooley, Clint Drummond, Cleora Fletcher, Billie Forbes, Frannie Frey, Tom Holdship, Lorranie Hope, Trev Jones, Gaylord Kitchen and Pat Mabie, Claire Miche, Dave Neale, Clair Patnode, Bill Persons, Ruth Pionke, Ann Solomon, Joe Spicketts, Frank Spitters, Margaret Storey, Jane Smith, Jackie Slaughter, Brad Smith, Mary Ann Tinkham, Alice Teugh, Dorothy Tucker, Ingerid Van Stratton, Art West, Alene Watterworth, Jane Williams and Joe Zitney.

There are a few who still haven't completed their plans for the summer and the coming year. Mel Copeland, Skip Sterner, Don Dooley and John Smith are both working on farming courses next year, Don at Western, John at State. Jim Robyn plans to join the navy next fall and Dick Ayres and Jane Smith are both moving to Detroit this summer.

Good luck, Seniors!

## Seniors Show Off Plans for Future

Believe it or not, State High's 1950 grads are a bunch of pretty ambitious kids! It's surprising how many plan to work this summer: Zelma Albert is working for her father; Schuyler Barnum is working in a gas station; Margaret Burns is working at the College Inn; Clinton Drummond at the library; Billie Forbes at Grant's; Pat Mabie at Lerner's; Claire Miche at the library; Dave Neale at A.G.Shinville Co.; Clair Patnode at Western; Ruth Pionke at Gilmore's; Frank Spitters as a carpenter's apprentice; Brad Smith at a fruit stand; Lorraine Smith plans to work at Borgess Hospital; Bob Smith at Parchment; Libby Brenner in the library. Jack Hinderleider is working as a brick-layer, starting this summer; Loraine Hope is working in the dairy bar; Hadley Osborn at Lockshore's; Roger Mills and Bill Page are working at International Paper Co; Joe Zitney is working at a gas station.

Some of the others, Herta Payson, Frances Frey, Tom Holdship, Bill Persons, Ann Solomon, Joe Spicketts, Margaret Storey, Alice Teugh, Jackie Slaughter, Dot Tucker, Ingerid Van Stratton, Lou Woodworth, Jim Pore and Jim Robyn are planning on working but aren't sure where, yet.

The lucky few who plan to spend most of their time either at home or at some lake include: Steve Fast at Portage Lake, Cleora Fletcher at home at Long Lake, Ted Klinger, Garrett Kruizenga and Doris Bell at the lake, and Mary Fopeano at home.

Planning to work next year are: Joan Harbour, Lois Green, Larry Smith, Paul Strong, Schuyler Barnum, Dick Ayres, Carol Lage, Norm Moody, Doug Owen, Gloria Redmond, Alberta Renbarger, Bill Rhodes and Dick Seelye

Going away to school are Elizabeth Brenner, Kalamazoo College; Hadley Osborn, Herta Payson, and Dick Curry, University of Michigan; Ann Eldridge, Michigan State; Mary Lou Woodworth, Northwestern University; Jim Pore, Michigan State; Al Ryan, Michigan State College; Roger Mills is attending a music school in Grand Rapids, Ted Klinger is going to Kalamazoo College; Jerry Knowlton and Mary Fopeano are entering Oberlin College in the fall; Fred Hoyt is going to Michigan. Jim Hoekje is also going to the Universiy of Michigan; Linda Howard is going into nurse's training in Chicago; Steve Fast is going to Dartmouth; Nancy Bryant to Lincoln College, Illinois; Joan Bauierla, Furman U in South Carolina; Lorraine Smith is going to study at Nazareth this fall and Jill Gannaway at Rockford College.



This year two members of our coaching staff have decided to leave our highly esteemed halls. They are Alfred Hinckley, who was also speech and dramatics coach, and Allen Bush.

Mr. Hinckley is looking for a college teaching position, or if he does not select a job that appeals to him, he plans to return to New York and work on his Ph.D. degree. He says he has enjoyed working with the students of State High. "They are a pleasant personable group."

Mr. Hinckley says that he has in some ways enjoyed teaching speech here on the hilltop and in some respects not. He says the students are not always aware of the vital importance in everyday living.

Bon Voyage, "Al," we'll miss you here on the hilltop.

This year we are also losing our basketball and track coach, Al Bush. Mr. Bush plans to return to Battle Creek Central. He says that he has enjoyed his work here at State High and says that he has had a good time working with the kids.

As to the ahletic prospects for the near future, he says that Nugent, Carter, and Teugh make the track prespects quite bright. He states the cagers are expected to have a better season than last winter. They will have a better balanced team.

To all would-be athletes he hands this advice; "If you plan to go out for athletics, stick to it and don't try to squeeze in too many extra-curricular activities."

### Locker Slams Shut

At the end of the year everybody seems to find lots of new and exciting things to do. The Junior boys and their dates have found the "Ranch House" "super" for dancing.

Frank Nugent has been giving some pretty rowdy parties recently. What's happening?

Some of the Sophomore girls have been increasing their sun tans by spending days at Gull Lake. The back yard is a popular place for many of

Shirley Loughead was entertained by Centralite Denny Stoops. An en-

joyable time was had by all. The "wheelish" Western boys are planning a party for some State High gals. Have fun, Shirley, Patty, and Ruthie.

Dick Seelye is becoming pretty well acquainted with a certain character in Uncle Toms Cabin. Couldn't be little Eva, could it?
Addie Anne Tolhurst is keeping

pretty well stocked with silver polish. Got to keep a certain little "I.D." bracelet shined.

Ann Eldridge entertained members of the Highlander - Highlights staff at her cabin on Lake Michigan last Saturday. Everybody

helped with the potluck dinner. Names are news, especially when they are linked together in pre-prom promises. Here are a few of the duets

on the program. Coffield-Tuberty Carter-Sawyer Seelye-Aube Maher-Slavin Klinger-Eliet Zitnev-Green

L. Crawford-Gary Curry-Slaughter Bush-Logan Lininger-Yntema Steen-Peelen Hawkins-Biljum Crawford-Carlson L. Paul-Brown Satin-Eldridge

## They're Here

The long awaited day is coming. This year's Highlanders have arrived! The hour for distribution will be immediately following the Honor's Day Assembly, Friday, June 9th. We advise you to either wear gloves or wash your hands well before picking them up, because their beautiful covers are white. (For those who pass their annuals around, we here-by proclaim "Be Careful!" Week.) They will be given out by classes; the Seniors will go to 211A, the Juniors to 210A, the Sophomores to 206A, and the Freshmen to 219A.

For those of you who haven't paid yet, and for those who now wish to buy a Highlander but haven't ordered it, staff members will be on hand in each room to relieve you of your hard earned cash and sell the few extra Highlanders.



## The Seniors Advise

When you stop to think about it, high school is probably one of the biggest times of your life. The up and coming freshmen have the whole four years still ahead of them. The sophomores and juniors have some ahead and some behind. But for the seniors there remains a "Boulevard of Memories," and no doubt very pleasant ones, of proms, football and basket-ball games, Saturday night dances and dates, exams, classes, teachers, and advisors. These and many other recollections are not going to be easily forgotten. As a last word the departing Seniors have left a bit of advice for the benefit of the State Highites who are not yet ready to leave the good times and not-so-good times which high school has to offer.

Craig-Don't Winifred Freshman, the advisors aren't as bad as they're made up to be.

Jill Gannaway—Enjoy yourself, it's later than you think.

Al Ryan-Boys, don't confess your guilt when reporting to the office. Dr. Sebaly may just want to pass the time of day.

Elizabeth Brenner-See things objectively

Cleora Fletcher-Keep your head up high through the storm and if she gets mad just kiss her.

Dick Curry-Don't let studies interfere with your education.

Bill Rhodes-Stay away from the women and Doc. Sebaly.

Alice Teugh-Learn to look intelligent when your mind is a blank.

Joanie Harbour-Be careful of the

Roger Mills-Be careful of the Sophomore girls, they'll break your

Mary Lou Woodworth-Never skip. I mean, get caught at it.

Harriet Logan-Don't skip classes. I'll clue 'ya it's rough.

Jim McCrumb-Take good care of my bike, Pat Coffield.

Joan Bauierla—I'll just have to give up because I can't think of anything the States Highites need

# 'My Shadow'

My Shadow

I had a little set of books,

That toured the school with me, And what was the use of them, Is more than I could see. They filled me full of knowledge, That went all through my head, But my homework kept me reading, Although 'twas past the time for bed. From early in September, Through winter and the snow, My History and all the rest, With me they would go. No one seemed to realize, How I liked to play, My books stayed close to me, I couldn't escape in any way Exams are due so very soon, For summertime is near, Now out the door my book will go, VACATION TIME IS ALMOST HERE.



Dear Editur,

We, tha staf of tha Highlits, want ter thank our Editur, Mary Fo-piano an all the rest of tha staf what has werked as Ediurs for hour papur, four there kine gidance and helpful suggistions in the pas yeer. We has enjoyed workin unner yeer leadership.

We may have writ our artickles wrong and handed them in late, but you servived and managed to put out a good paper.

Even tho we shell return nex yeer, we shell miss yur gidance. We will always remembur u.

Yr. truly, Felix J. Bertwhistle

Jackie Slaughter-Take plenty of sun-tan oil on Senior Skip Day!

Lois Green-Start your term paper at least two years ahead of time, otherwise you'll never get it done.

Ruth Pionke-Steer clear of Miss Crisman

Shirley Loughead-Get some sleep while you can.

Pat Mabie-Don't do anything I wouldn't do if I were in your shoes and had the opportunity.

Ann Eldridge-Don't take advice from seniors.

Gaylord Kitchen-Don't.