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OF THE STUDENTS, BY THE STUDENTS, FOR THE STUDENTS

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Festival of Arts Reward Talent

Have you a good singing voice that is just waiting to be discovered? If you sing, play the piano, dance, paint, write poems or informative articles, or if you are proficient in any one of the various fields of the arts, there is a grand and glorious opportunity for you to be "discovered" and to win a fine prize in the Southern California Festival of the Allied Arts to be held in Los Angeles May 4 - 29. Approximately 6,500 students from 121 California communities took part in the 1935 contests.

The project is sponsored by the Women's Community Service Auxiliary of the Los Angeles County Chamber of Commerce. Students interested in entering the festival may register at the headquarters, 324 Chamber of Commerce Building, Los Angeles, up until April 15.

B7 Girls Given Italian Party

In an imaginary Italian cafeteria, the girls' B7 party was held on Mar. 18, Period VI. The program was announced by Kitty Shubin and Esther Cohn in Italian dialect. Highlights of the program were the jazz orchestra and the lovely voice of Petra Santa Cruz.

After the program refreshments were served to the delighted B7's. The party was sponsored by Miss Yerian.

Young People's Concert Planned

The Young People's Symphony concerts, featuring the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, will be conducted by Dr. Ernest Schelling of New York. The first concert will be held on April 8, at 10:30 A.M. (during Spring vacation). The second concert falls on April 23, at 3:30 P.M.

Tickets are ten cents for children and thirty-five cents for adults. They may be secured from Miss Steffen in room 212 and Mrs. Johnston in room 205.

BOYS' LOSS

ARMY'S GAIN

Lieutenant Colonel Knappe. Mr. Knappe to us, left for the "Command and General Staff School", which is situated at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, March 12. He is going to stay there for three months. And talking about luxury, while getting paid, listen to this: He is to have a horse to ride and an orderly to do his dirty work, like shining his shoes and making his bed, and to top it all, there is an aero squadron down there where he can get all the rides he wants. The explanation is that it trains them to be observers.

Mr. Knappe says, "Don't worry, boys. If oil is discovered, you will get ice cream." but we think that oil was discovered and he is ducking us.



JUNIOR RED CROSS

Two Hollenbeck girls, Ida Sobelman and Freida Starobinez, attend the Red Cross meetings at U.C.L.A.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Friday, March 27: Dramatic Clubs present: "His Best Seller" and "Who Gets The Car Tonight?"

April (date unknown): Boys' Glee Club presents an operetta, "Sons Of The Prairie", by Grant Schafer.

Tuesday, April 28: Parents' Night.

Dramatic Classes Entertain Friday

Hear ye! Hear ye! Two hilarious comedies will be given by the two dramatic classes on March 27th. The first period is as follows:

Name—"His Best Seller."

Characters—

Anne Patterson - Lillian Davis
Mrs. Patterson - Verna Patterson
Gerald Kensington Lee - Alar Lidyoff.

Last period play is as follows:

Name—"Who Gets the Car Tonight?"

Characters—

Mary Jones - Minerva Rothstein
Paul Jones - Frank Krasnowsky
Father - Harold Aspiz
Mother - Diana Osinov
Jack - Selwyn Ginsburg
Understudies - Estelle Karchmer and Alvin Epstein.

STUDENTS' WRITING HEARD OVER ETHER

Los Angeles High School students are amazing their elders with the outstanding merit of their verse and prose. Original poems and brief essays of students are read over Radio Station KECA every Tuesday at 5:45 P.M.

Miss Araxi Jamgochian, former Hollenbeck dramatic teacher, is the reader.

Student Body News

The boys on special hall patrol are fast becoming known as G men. Their Captain is Ezequiel Luna.

They patrol the halls in groups of four or five and do their best to keep Hollenbeck students obeying the law.

Willie Ishibashi was appointed Assistant Secretary of Traffic when president Nick Seminoff's nomination was approved by the Senate.

Hollenbeck has a new Supreme Court. It consists of Chief Justice Phi Koenigsberg and Assistant Justices George Lehman, Jack Padve, Betty Goffman and Pearl Grossman.

WHO'S WHO Kitty Shubin

By EDITH HELLER

Kitty Shubin, girls' vice-president, has three hobbies: music, dramatics and tap-dancing. Did you ever see Kitty tap? She is "wan good hooper." Her ambitions are to have a marionette show and to be a traveling saleslady. That girl has more hobbies and ambitions.

Kitty likes all boys in general. She remarked that boys are as good friends as girls are. I'm not so sure.

Kitty plays first violin in the Senior Orchestra. When asked about her duties, she said, "Everything that concerns the girls of the school concerns me." Kitty is one of the nicest and friendliest girls I know. Here's hoping she will continue her success in her office.

HOMEROOM NEWS

Eight boys from A8 homeroom 120 were sent to B9 homerooms. They are: Leon Ham, to room 7; Manuel De La Rosa, to 6; Harry Berukoff, to 5; Mike Otero, to 201; Felix Lezona, to 7; Bud Maron, to 201; Carlos Costello, to 5; Henry Cohen, to 6.

Homeroom 307 has organized a social, character and study club. A few weeks ago the social committee had a crocheting contest. There were judges and prizes.

NEW BOOKS IN SCHOOL LIBRARY

For those who like to read, here are a new set of books just received: "The Wolf Song", by Ralph Hubbard; "Sword on the Sea", by Agnes Danforth Hewes; "Knights at Bay", by Philip Lindsay; "The Gold-Laced Coat", by Butler and Kent; "White Heron Feather", by Gertrude Robinson; "The Bright Face of Danger", by C. M. Sublette; "The Painted Arrow", by Frances Gaither; "Anything Can Happen on the River", by Carol Brink; "Mystery House", by R. J. Burrough; "Traitor's Torch", by Gertrude Crownfield; "Lone Rider", by Hildegard Hawthorne; "Tabitha of Lonely House", by Hildegard Hawthorne; "Benito and Loreta Del-fin", by Dorothy Lyman Leetch; "Lenape Trails", by Clifton Lisle; "The Jumping Off Place", by Marian McNeely; "Winning Out", by Marian McNeely; "Stone Knife Boy", by Alida Sims Malkus; "Bird of Dawning", by John Masefield; "Ranch and Ring", by Florence Crannell Means; "A Bowlful of Stars", by

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

Aviation

Compiled by JOHN RAMIREZ

The new Hawker Merlin is believed to be the fastest single seater in the world? It is a low-wing monoplane with an enclosed cockpit and has the speed of about three hundred miles per hour.

The entire State of Iowa is visible from an airplane at the height of 10,000 feet.

The newest dirigible, the LZ-129, is nearly finished in Germany. It is to be called the "Hindenburg", and is for trans-Atlantic service to the United States.

You can fly from New York to Chicago in less time than you can fly across the city of Honolulu, which is 2,200 miles across.

A rubber boat is being carried by English navy planes that will inflate when the plane becomes awash, and saves the pilot and plane until help arrives.

SOCIALLY SPEAKING

By THE STROLLER

Hello, you lucky individuals. Is everybody happy? Now for some news: Harold Rubins must have "politics" on his brain. That, my Good Readers, accounts for the absent-minded look . . . High and Mighty Editor Erma Martin insists I put her name in this column. Orders are orders, so . . . Erma Martin . . . Believe it or not (competition for Ripley) . . . Milton Shapiro intends to be a photographer . . . Sylvia Rich has real dramatic (Garbo?) ability . . . Jerome Zonis is somewhat a poet . . . Rudolph Concha insists he will be an Orchestra Leader . . . Comic Joe Kartin recently visited Mrs. Short, looking quite handsome in his R.O.T.C. uniform. (P.S.) Incidentally, several pulses began racing when the "Hero" entered the scene.

Haven't you noticed the resemblance between Ann Dvorak and Clara Stern? . . . Spy X9A4 reports that Nick Seminoff is making silver bracelets for a certain Virginia . . . I have often wondered: How many ear-rings Dolores Martinez possesses . . . How much money Lewis La Pan spends on gum . . .

Florence Means; "The Mule of Parthenon", by Ethel Parton; "Uncharted Ways", by Caroline Dale Snedeker; "The Youngest Rider", by Louise Hauck; "Grey Eyes—A Mystery of the Riviera", by Katherine Adams.

THE ROVING REPORTER

By KITTY SHUBIN

Cafeteria: Spaghetti seems to be the favorite dish because 25,000 strings are eaten daily. About fifty pounds of beans are eaten weekly (or is it a dream?) The order of ice cream daily is thirty dozen cups and ten dozen for the novelty bars. Coming to the salad, cole slaw is the most popular.

Head Custodian: Approaching the head custodian, Mr. Silver, you see a very charming and companionable man. He is of medium height and his hair is as silver as his name. When asked the question about having student help, his quotation was, "Well, they help a lot and they also learn what a janitor has to do." Another of his statements was, "The pupils of the school have been a great help to us custodians by not messing up the school very much."

Gardener: Mr. W. M. Jones, the school gardener, when asked about student help, said: "The students do some fine work out in the garden, and I think that students can do almost as much work in taking care of the garden as any gardener can." When asked what the making of a new building will do to his plans, he answered, "I have heard so many different ways that the buildings were to be changed, I don't know which one to believe. At least I am not to spend any money for new shrubbery until the new building is to be built, because if I do, when the new building is going up, the garden will all be wrecked."

I must say au revoir till next issue, when we will visit the complicated basement and learn all about the air conditioning of our school.

Will Rogers

By Jerome Zoris

A man beloved by everyone,

A man judged for deeds he has done.

He helped the needy, whose troubles and woes

Were growing as trouble only grows;

He helped in every way he knew,
And 'his height of good has

been reached by few

CLASSES FOR PARENTS

Echandia Street School is conducting special classes in English for adults. Students should tell their parents.



READING

By BEATRICE BERMAN

Reading, to me the most wonderful
adventure;
It takes me places and I see mar-
velous things.
I've dined with the nobles of Eng-
land;
I've danced with the peasants of
Spain;
I've been in the castles of Scot-
land.
I've suffered with the pilgrims in
Maine.
I've ruled with the queens of
Egypt.
I've cried with Oliver Twist.
I've ridden to battle with Napo-
leon.
I've walked in the London mist.

Homeroom Reporters Seek News Items

Have you any celebrities in your homeroom? How do your playmates spend their leisure time? These were samples of the questions asked of homeroom Siren reporters at their meeting on Monday, March 5. Reporters are:

Homeroom 1, Joe Fradkin; 2, Rudolph Concha; 5, Philip Essman; 6, Stanley Goldstein; 7, Sol Chess; 9, Herbert Bernstein; 103, Esther Buck; 104, Mildred Zavatt; 105, George Rosen; 106, Morry Horowitz; 107, Irene Nakako; 108, Leon Ginsberg; 109, Milton Stein; 110, Masako Nagao; 111, Hadassah Slatten; 112, Mary Rapkin; 113, Celia Groobman; 114, Alex Hernandez; 115, Chester Ito; 116, Nathan Sugarman; 117, Elizabeth Peterson; 118, Yuriko Hirooka; 119, Arthur Figen; 120, Norman Atkins; 122, David

Pony Express

By George Danchik

"Pony Express how fast you ride!
Don't you ever get caught in the
tide?
I'm sure you speed when you ride
What do you do when there are
robber in sight?"
"I give them the bag -with paper
inside!"

A purple shawl
Fringed with gold
With orange brooch
On the bright red gown
Of the evening sky

A silvery gray light
Simmering in mist
Surrounded by
A purple sky;
The crescent moon.

By Edith Heller

Raymond; 123, Harry Kaiser; 130, Virginia Kardashian; 131, Lucy Marie Burden; 132, Ida Bender; 133, Petra Santa Cruz; Cafe, John Kulikoff; 201, Dominick Campagna; 202, Christina Avila; 203, Shinobu Saito; 204, Ruth Russell; 206, David Mandell; 207, Jennie Medina; 208, Elizabeth Amerkhanian; 209, Selma Ain; 210, Don Barker; 211, Robert Polansky; 212, Miriam Mevorack; 213, Bob Sandfelder; 214, Pauline Frank; 215, Jack Dictor; 216, Mollie Orabes; 217, Jesse Dumas; 218, Goldie Perrin; 301, Sylvia Rich; 302, Taeko Kato; 303, Fumiko Otomo; 304, Anne Novikoff; 305, Sylvia Diamond; 306, Lena Spata; 307, Vera Popoff; 308, Harriet Reensnyder; 309, Lionel Sesma; 310, Charlotte Goodman.

Time, The Nomad
By
Erma Martin

Time, the nomad
Wanders,
Never stopping for rest;
But on his travels
Ever moving.
Time, the nomad;
He has gypsy blood this Gulliver.
Relentlessly driving onward
Crushing, building, breaking
merging.
He waits for no one,
This spoiled child
To whom everyone bends.

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Teacher warning her pupils against catching cold: "I had a little brother 7 years old and one day he took his new sled out in the snow. He caught pneumonia and three days later he died."

Silence for ten seconds. Then a voice from the rear--"Where's his sled?"

Teacher: Johnnie, tell me the definition of the word widow.
Johnnie: A widow is a woman who has lived so long with her husband that he died.

SPOTLIGHT PLEASE! Thank you.

GLEE CLUB PERSONALITIES

Donny Silver, dancer and imitator extraordinary . . . Jimmy Saito, vice-president of the student body . . . Willie Ishibashi, secretary of safety . . . George Seno, artist. Among the notables who graduated from the Glee Club are: Kenneth Spencer, Richard Sandoval, Bob Parrish. Did you know that Lawrence Tibbett was once rejected by a high school glee club?

—Your Glee Club Reporters.

EXCHANGE

Mrs. Louisa W. Hutchison, the first Spanish teacher in any intermediate school in the United States, recently retired from Central Junior High School after twenty-five years of service.

"Defendant, before your trial starts, you have a right to challenge any member of the jury."

"Well, Your Honor, I'd like to fight the little shrimp on the end."

Mother: You were a tidy boy not to throw your orange peel on the floor of the bus--but where did you put it?

Freddie: In the pocket of the man sitting next to me.

CLASS OFFERED IN RADIO BROADCASTING

Polytechnic Evening High School is now offering a free course in radio broadcasting. Students enrolling in the course will be given actual training in the use of microphone and other broadcasting equipment. Willard M. Brown has been engaged to teach the course. This new class, the first of its kind to be offered as a free public school project, will meet from 7 to 9 P.M. on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 400 West Washington Boulevard.

THRIFT COMMITTEE

The newly elected officers of the Thrift Club are:

President Ethel Jean Fink
Vice Pres: Abe Fox
Secretary Clara Ste'n
Sergeant at arms Domingo Martinez

Ida What is the date please.
Miss Crum Never mind the date. The examination is more important.

Ida Well I wanted to have something right on my paper.

Trackman coming in last. Did you take my tin e?

Mr. Knappe- I didn't have to You took it yourself.

You know that kettle song?
What do you mean, kettle song?
Home on the Range

Girl Reserve Club

The newly elected officers of the Girl Reserve Club are as follows:

PresidentCecelia Arguello
Vice-PresidentCarrie Arguello
SecretaryAnn Silver
TreasurerVirginia Valdora
PublicityDorothy Nissenbaum
Song LeaderJeannette Lank
Sergeant-at-ArmsRuth Perez
Lavaria Sciffo
Piano PlayerRamona Arcuri

FROM THE BOYS' GYM

Mr. Williams has a larger class this term. They are well started in baseball and handball meets.

Mr. John Burke, supervisor of physical education, visited the corrective gym class recently.

Did you ???

What ? - ! - ?

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