

Miss Ask-it Asks

THE QUESTION

"Who is your favorite comic-strip character and why?"

Eleanor Gapinski—Rex Morgan because he's so-o-o dreamy.

Eugene Long—Mutt and Jeff. Jeff is short!

Mary Jane Nowak—Kerry Drake. I wish he'd find someone for me.

Richard Deguch—Steve Roper, because he never get killed.

Edisto Woods—Dotty Dripple, because Horace reminds me of someone I know.

Pat Theodorff—Dixie Dugan; never a dull moment.

Joe Lacay—Little Abner, because he is a typical, red-blooded, American, country boy.

Mr. Redling—Mugs & Skeeter. So true to life!

Miss Ask-it—Mutt and Jeff. They're crazy.

David Oliver—Superman!

Marcia Ann Radecki—Steve Roper, it's exciting.

Miss Fortin—Dixie Dugan, 'cause I've always wanted to be a glamor girl; and

Mary Worth, 'cause I always settle other people's love affairs, and can't find one of my own; and

Grandma—The future.

"LUKE" SELECTED JUNIOR ROTARIAN

Congratulations are in order for Don Lukasiewicz of Home Room 110 who has been reelected Junior Rotarian during the 12B semester. Don has taken part in dramatic and musical productions and is also on the football squad.

The Rotary Club is an international organization of business men of many professions. Their organization holds it's weekly meeting during a luncheon which Don will attend.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE HATCHET

Subscriptions for the Hatchet started Friday, September 22. All students wishing to subscribe to the Hatchet should see their home room representative.

LONG AND HEGEDUS WIN TOP JOBS

Internationally Famous

Speed Typist Coming Oct. 5

Cortez W. Peters, one of the all-time speed typing greats, will demonstrate his extraordinary typing ability for the instruction and entertainment of local students when he appears at Washington, on Thursday, October 5 in an hour-long assembly program.

Setting an outstanding example of what can be done by persistent effort, Peters first was inspired to type by a Washington, D. C. High School classmate who had achieved exceptionally high rates of speed. So fascinated by the challenge of speed typing was Peters that in attempting to equal these rates, he actually surpassed his classmate's highest record.

Declared eligible for the International Amateur Typewriting Contest in 1925, he captured the World's Amateur Typist title. Since it was necessary for him to work during the day, he continued his practice in the evenings and late into the night. His proficiency increased and several times he finished runner-up in the professional division of the International Typewriting Contest.

In 1941, he attained his highest speed, typing at the rate of 141 net five-stroke words per minute for a period of one hour. His degree of accuracy in this contest was better than 99%. In another professional event, he won the World's Accuracy Trophy.

DO YOU WANT A YELL CLUB OR NOT?

Remember the cheering assembly you went to last semester and remember when you signed your name to the list of those who wanted to join the Yell Club? Well, what happened to the Club? Guess it just got forgotten about?

Well, we're not going to let you forget about it, especially now, when the team needs all the support it can get from you, the student body.

This Thursday, after school, Miss Fortin who will be in charge, will hold a meeting. If she thinks a good number of students show up the Club will practice with the cheerleaders. If just a few show up then the whole idea will be forgotten about, and never again mentioned.

Abraham and Morozowski Honored By Sophs and Freshmen

In the first school-wide selection in the history of Washington, held Thursday, September 21, Eugene Long, senior, (205); Bob Hegedus, junior (202), Pat Abraham, sophomore, (117); and Daniel Morozowski, freshman, (116), were elected presidents of their respective classes.

All but Long will serve for a year. Bennie Wilkins, 12B of 202, was chosen senior vice-president, and will become class president when Long, a 12A, leaves in January.

Chosen as other vice-presidents are Florence Kurpiewski, junior; Pat Theodoroff, sophomore; and Sheila Howe, freshman.

Others chosen as senior officers are Lorraine Wachowiak, secretary; Betty Walorski, treasurer; and Colette Berndt, historian.

Other junior officers are Victor Papai, secretary and Mary Ann Szezechowski, treasurer.

Nancy Voltman was chosen sophomore secretary and Robert Morris, sophomore treasurer. Freshman secretary is Patricia Zalas; treasurer, James Dials; and historian, John Griffin.

Five hundred and sixteen students cast ballots in the election. Balloting was by machine under the direction of Mr. Robinson, civics teacher, who succeeded in borrowing a voting machine from the county. An election committee, consisting of members of the Civic Committee, supervised the election. The members were Lorraine Wachowiak, Delphine Cwidak, Jim Finch, and Don Phillips.

ELECTION HIGHLIGHTS FIRST TO VOTE

Among seniors - Mary Grzescyck
Among juniors - Mary Waggoner
Among sophs -
Thomas Trzaskowski
Among freshies - James Tetter

VOTING BY HOMEROOMS

Seniors: 110 - 100%
203 - 100%
201 - all but one
118 - all but one
Juniors: 119 - 100%
120 - 100%
205 - all but two
202 - all but three
Sophs: 119 - 100%
107 - all but one
123 - all but two
Lib - all but three
117 - all but five
Freshies: 108 - all but one
125 - all but one
102 - all but two
114 - all but two
116 - all but two

To Aid in Planning —

New Student Council Chosen

The annual election of student council members was held Wednesday, September 20, in the home rooms.

The purpose of the student council is to give students an opportunity to assist in planning and directing some of the school activities.

The president of the student council is Melvin Lesniewicz of home room 203 and Miss Goppert is the sponsor.

The following are the newly-elected home room representatives:

Marvin Bethel	201 Sr.
Barbara Vakarich	110 Sr.
Pat Theodoroff	119 Soph.
Nancy Volhmann	107 Soph.
Patricia Aftowski	102 Fr.
Sandra Smith	202 Jr.
Melvin Lesniewicz	203 Sr.
Lorraine Odynski	118 Sr.
Frances Urban	126 8
Raymond Wroblewski	Lib. Soph.
Eugene Sweda	125 Fr.
Pat Abraham	117 Soph.
Rita Witucki	108 Fr.
Vernon Bergerson	123 Soph.
Kath. Prathafatakis	114 Fr.
Shirley Bucher	124 7
Josephine Handler	121 Jr.
June Urbanski	116 Fr.
Alma Lee Pasman	205 Sr.
Daniel Olejniczak	120 Jr.

Any student wishing to offer suggestions to the student council may do so by giving them to their home room representative.

SEVEN CHEERS FOR THE CHEERLEADERS

On Thursday, September 14, the cheerleaders for the 1950 Football season were picked. They are Betty Walorski, Christine Piekarski, Pauline Watson, Mary Ann Bogunia, Norma Nagy, Irene Arelt, Steve Horvath, and Alma Lee Pasman, alternate. Cheerleaders will also be selected for the 1950-51 basketball season.

Do You Mind If We're Here?

"Do you mind if we're here" was a question recently asked two senior girls by a "newcomer" from Wilson. The answer given was, "We're very glad to have you here." And why not? We "oldtimers" were so happy to see so many students in the halls that we couldn't believe that only last year the enrollment was 579. It has now increased to 736. Just reading those figures made us "oldtimers" happy.

We know that for many of you seniors and juniors it was hard to think of changing to a new school, but we hope that you have learned to make Washington a new part of you.

Yes, we're very happy to have you here, but there's one thing you can do to make us "oldtimers" happier. We know it is hard to get adjusted to a new school, but one of the best ways is to join various clubs and activities which are offered. For the girls there is the Y-Teens Club, Library Club, Panda Club, G. A. A., and Ushers' Club. All new boys are urged to go out for athletics. Clubs offered for boys are Hi-Y, Engineers' Club, and Movie Operators' Club. Activities offered for both boys and girls are Glee Club, Student Council, Hatchet Staff, Band, and Cheerleading.

Has any interest been aroused in you yet? If it has, please inquire about them as soon as possible. After all, how can we become a big happy family unless we learn about each other and put our ideas together? That is the best way to improve the school as well as yourself.

With that thought I shall end this answer to an important question by repeating, "We're very happy to have you here."

B. C.



Here's the lowdown on your chums,
So get hep now, and don't be bums.
Open your eyes and take a look,
Instead of keeping your nose in a book!

Engaged: Marie Cholasinski.
Going Steady: Betty Walorski and Norb Hecklinski (Central).
Dating: Del Owidak and Ray Blentzer (S. B. C.)

It seems Julie is having trouble doing Civics and yet not missing out on a latest government, Bill.

Just say the name of Tommy when Elaine S. is around and see the reaction.

Who's that cute couple walking around the halls — B. L. and R. P.?

Shirley Ford, and Pat V. P. both have an eye on somebody. Better look out, Bobby Niespodziany.

What two Freshmen girls sit on the porch and watch the football players go by???

What is happening between M. M. and G. S., who are Freshmen?

Is it true that Dorothy L. goes steady with a Junior from Central? Come on, Dot. Don't keep it a secret.

It seems as if Audrey A. is catching up with lost time.

Lorraine Walker from Wilson goes steady with B. Pierce.

Marie C. of 118 has eyes for?? of 201.

Fides is still going strong with Salty.

Lacey is still playing the field (And not in Football).

Mickey and Betty are still on the "steady list."

Why is Nancy Szocinski always in the gym at noon? It couldn't be for Richard V. from room 108, could it?

Whose that lucky boy that Louise Tomkins goes to see at N. D. every Sunday in a cab? Come on, Lulu! We want to know too.

Mary Jo Winkler, who was that handsome boy you were with Friday at the game? Could his name happen to be Bill C.?

Two Up

Attention, Hoarders!

Investigations are in order this year of students who have more than one girl or boy friend. Although Washington's family tree has grown by about two-hundred students, the number of boys and girls is surprisingly even. The boys have the majority by two; so remember, if you are guilty of this major offense (hoarding), break down and give the other guys and gals a chance!

Here is how the final enrollment looks on paper:

Grades	Boys	Girls	Total
K	5	6	11
1-6	68	62	130
7-9	91	101	192
10-12	205	198	403
Total	369	367	736

TWIRLERS FOR 1950 ANNOUNCED

The twirlers for the 1950 football season are Mary Kania, Eileen Lubinski, Mary Ann Piechowski, Annabelle Tschida, Betty Tschida and Louise Zawierucha. They were chosen at the end of last semester and are all juniors.

LIBRARY CLUB ACCEPTS TWENTY-ONE

The Library Club, which held its first meeting September 20, during the noon hour, has accepted the following members: Pat Aftowski, Beth Ahlgrim, Mary Ann Czajkowski, Panka Evanoff, Donna Finch, Loisjean Fincher, Grace Landman, Joan Bruce, Shirley Heckman, Alnandria Janisweski, Loretta Korpak, Pattie Michalski, Barbara Nitka, Janet Punnelle, Pat Van Putte, Betty Severns, Mary Lou Verselder, Pat Wells, Dorothy Wiseman, Marlene Cole, Beverly Laisure.

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More For Your Money

Here Comes Something New!

Once each month during this year, HATCHET subscribers will receive as part of the Hatchet, "Scholastic Roto," which is published by the National Scholastic Press Association at the University of Minnesota and is edited by various high school students all over the country.

"Scholastic Roto" is an eight-page picture section which features high school activities all over the United States.

The purpose of putting it in THE HATCHET is to make the paper more interesting and acquaint Washington students with the activities of other big high schools all over the country.

The pictures and cartoons are all contributed by high school students. Washington students may contribute ideas, pictures, and cartoons at any time.

A copy of the "Scholastic Roto" from last year is posted on the bulletin board now.

There are over a million copies distributed each month to the various high schools in the country. Washington will get its first copy

SOCIAL CALENDAR

October

13 9B-9A party, 3:35 p.m. in the gym.

19 7-8 grades party, 3:35 p.m. in the gym.

November

3 10B-10A dance, 7:30-10:30 p.m. in the gym.

10 11B-11A dance, 8:00-11:00 p.m. in the gym.

December

7-8 Senior play, Washington Auditorium.

Wear It With Pride

Seniors Receive School Rings

September 13 turned out to be a lucky day for the seniors of Washington High for most them received their rings on that day and are now proudly displaying them for all to see.

The rings are the usual gold with a black onyx center and the head of George Washington and also the "W" in gold. The students' initials are also engraved inside the rings.

For the unfortunate few who did not get to order their rings last spring, Friday, the 22, was the last day they could be ordered and the rings will be delivered by the first of the year.

in October.

WATCH FOR SCHOLASTIC ROTO!!

IMAGINE!

The registration card asks, "Date of birth?" Earl Miller writes, "On Friday."

They Have a Lot to Offer You



New Comers Hear Activities Described

Orientation Assembly 'Introduces' Washington to Many New Students

The annual Orientation Assembly was held Tuesday morning in the Auditorium for the new students who entered Washington this fall. Its purpose was to acquaint the students with the various clubs and activities Washington has to offer. Representatives of each club ap-

peared before the group to explain the activities of the club and to urge interested students to join. Others described the importance of good grades, good attendance, and finishing high school.

The following was the order of the program: Welcome to new students Melvin Lesniewicz, Student Council President; Hi-Y, Marvin Bethel; Latin Club, Virginia Eckenberger; The Hatchet, Pat Kus; G. A. A., Dorothy Deguch; Student Council, Melvin Lesniewicz; Glee Club, Dorothy Olivet; Athletics, Richard Sobczak; Cheer Leader, Betty Walorski; Band, Bob Saltzgaber; National Honor Society, Lorraine Wachowiak; Awards and Honors Day, Pat Kus.

On the Importance of Finishing High School and Good Attendance, Colette Berndt.

On the Honor Roll and the Importance of Good Grades, Carol Guzowski; Social Activities, Betty Boosi; Y-Teens, Eleanore Taberski; Operators' Club Eugene Csabi; Riley-Washington Round-up, Barbara Vakarich; Library Club, Leola Ahlgrim; Dismissal, Melvin Lesniewicz.

Those students interested in joining any of these clubs or activities should see the speaker, the club president, their home room teacher, or watch the bulletin board for notices of the first meeting.

Help Wanted - MALE

"A number of attractive positions are now open for boys between the ninth and twelfth grades. Experience in writing features is not necessary, but helpful. Ability to construct sentences, willingness to help write sports section for school paper, alertness and sports-mindedness are necessary qualifications. Apply in person. Miss Murphy. Room 114. Monday through Friday. 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M."

Since the number of students enrolled in Washington has increased, there are a great many boys strolling through the halls. Seeing all these handsome males, new and old students, has made me wonder how (?) there can be a man shortage.

Appearances are certainly deceiving, for there is a definite shortage of boys on the HATCHET staff. There are now two, only and lonely, male members on the HATCHET staff. They are Frank Watkins and Don Phillips, both of whom are seniors.

Many girls have joined the HATCHET staff as reporters; but it's as simple to you as it is to me that you need boys to write the sports section, for only boys can give the sports page that certain "masculine touch."

You don't have to be six feet tall, have black wavy hair, or a dimple in your chin. Your shoulders need not look like a movie star's (well padded) shoulders, and your smile doesn't have to be so bright as to outshine the sun.

The only qualifications for these positions are that the boys be interested in sports, even though they don't participate in them, and to be able to write an interesting article.

It isn't as difficult as it may sound. Facts for the sports page are obtained from the athletic records, and the coaches will help you in any way they can to supply additional information.

Come in, but, please, don't break the doors down in your rush to see Miss Murphy in Room 114.

7B CLASS CHOOSES OFFICERS

In a recent home room election, Geraldine Karnafel was chosen to be president of the new 7B class. James Overmyer was chosen vice-president; Shirley Bucher, secretary; and Ralph Pieniezkiwicz, treasurer. Charley Bucher was also selected to represent the class on the Student Council.

HEALTH CLASSES VIEW FILM ON ADOLESCENCE

On Tuesday September 26, members of the girls' health classes saw a movie entitled "At Your Age". The picture dealt with "infantile reactions" and the emotional developments of the adolescent. It also offered a method of self-evaluation.



LIBRARY LIL SEZ—

"Time to spare—and nothing to do? Have you a book report coming soon?"

Here are a few new books that might interest you."

KATHIE, THE NEW TEACHER

by Lucile G. Rosenheim

Kathie Kerber has always dreamed of teaching in a suburban town. Her dreams come true when she starts teaching the seventh grade in Hill Crest. Enthusiastic, warmhearted, and impulsive, and, although lacking in judgment, being able to follow advice, Kathie made many friends in Hill Crest from gentle Jo Anne, whose mother turned out to be a famous movie star, to Jim Clarke who decided Kathie should add the subject of matrimony to her program for the coming year.

This book gives the impression that teaching, although not a glamorous profession, is a rewarding combination of work and play.

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THE BLOOD BAY COLT

by Walter Farley

Within old and tired Jimmy Creech burned a youthful anger and resentment toward those who were making a gigantic commercial enterprise of harness racing. He hated modern raceways where horses were raced under the lights. He wanted the sport left the way he had known and lived it for almost fifty years.

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This is a book the readers of the Black Stallion series have been waiting for, the story of the second son of the Black Stallion.

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CHILD OF DESTINY

by Ishbel Ross

This biography of Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell stresses her contributions as a feminist. It was during the period when abolition and woman's right and other daring ideas were being hotly debated that the British-born doctor came to the United States. Elizabeth became a doctor, not because she was attracted to medical practice, but because it afforded the greatest opportunity for the advancement of her sex.

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I remain yours,
LIBRARY LIL.

Problem Doctors

Forum Begins a New Year

The South Bend Student Forum held its first meeting of the school year Friday, September 22, 1950, at Central High School, from 12:45 to 3:30 p.m.

The Forum is made up of representatives from each of the public and private high schools in the city. Its purpose is to discuss different students problems arising in the schools.

Each schools is represented by its student council president, its school paper editor, and one student from the junior and one from the sophomore classes.

The representatives who attended from Washington were Melvin Lesniewicz, Pat Kus, Steve Horvath, and Patricia Theodoroff.

The Civitan Hallowe'en Dance for all high school students and the Sunday high school page in the South Bend Tribune were first started as a result of suggestions by the Forum.

Librarian: "I trust you found the novel interesting?"

Reader: "Not very — but the letter someone left in it sure was a lulu!"

General Calendar

SEPTEMBER

29 Pep Assembly, 8:30 a.m.
North Side - Ft. Wayne
vs. Washington School
Field, 8:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

3 Thurstone Psychological
Exam, all 12-B's, in Ca-
feteria.
14 John Adams vs. Wash-
ington, School Field, 8:00
p.m.
10 Stanford Achievement
Test, all 11-B's, in Cafe-
teria.
14 John Adams vs. Wash-
ington, School Field, 8:00
p.m.
21 Washington-Riley Round-
up, 3:00 p.m.
22 Riley vs. Washington,
School Field, 8:00 p.m.
27 Elkhart vs. Washington
in Elkhart, 8:00 p.m.
30 Girls' Physical Exam, in
Washington, 7:00 p.m.

THE LOWDOWN

Washington 6 Cent. Catholic 27
Washington 0 Mishawaka 13
Washington 12 Goshen 6

Yards, rushing ----- 335 514
Yards, passing ----- 200 138
Total yards ----- 535 652
Passes attempted ----- 31 31
Passes completed ----- 13 10
Punt average ----- 31½ 33
Penalties ----- 70 180

Total point ----- 18 46

Y-TEENS HEAR NOTRE DAME PROFESSOR

The Y-Teen Club heard Mr.

William J. Elsen, assistant professor of speech at Notre Dame, give a talk on parliamentary procedure on Wednesday, September 28, at its second meeting of the year. A short business meeting preceded the talk.

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