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"Our Miss Brooks"

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## THEATRICAL PREMIER NIGHT ARRIVES

#### THE QUESTION

"Now that the winter weather has finally arrived, would you like to keep the present smmer vacation arran, ement or would you like to have a month during the winter and less time during the summer?"

Marie Ann Cholasinski — "Keep the present summer vacation arrangement because I like to spend most of my time at the lake."

James Smith—"I will take the month in winter and less time during the summer."

Betty Severns—"I would like to have both of them!"

Dave Papai—"What difference does it make? I'll be out in June, anyway (I hope!)."

Marilyn Cole — "Summer — definitely—there's a certain someone at the lake ....."

at the lake . . . " Gene Gorbacz — "I like summer much hetter!"

Betty Olejniczak — "Much more fun during the summer months."

Joan Rebics — "I'd rather have a summer vacation. It's a lot of fun and there are more things to do."

Betty Boosi—"Are you kidding? A month off in winter—why we'd have to live like Eskimos."

Gene Simpson—"It doesn't matter as long as I have a certain girl!"

Margaret Hadary—"Oh, no! I'd rather have my vacation in the summer. I can think of other ways to keep warm in the winter."

Norm VandeSompele—"A month during the winter, because this is my last year."

Marlene Fuessel — "Definitely more winter."

Tom Trzaskowski — "I prefer summer. It's more fun."

#### SORRY!

The name of Shirley Parks, 202, was accidentally omitted from the Honor Roll in our last issue.

The name of Gladys Badowski, 107, was accidentally omitted from the Honor Roll and also from the decorating committee for the sophomore party.

### Scrap Paper— Who Cares?

**One in Three Hundred!** 

Who cares about a scrap of paper? How many people will pick one up from the floor — to help keep our halls neat and clean? How many indeed! The HATCHET staff decided to find out.

They did, alas!

On Thursday morning last week, a dirty envelope was dropped beside a drinking fountain in the front hall near the middle auditorium doors. A HATCHET staff member took up watch across the hall from it, to observe how many people would kick it aside or pass it by, and who would pick it up. We expected to have quite an interesting front-page story for you about our observation.

Through the halls poured scores of students over and around the envelope—no one bothered. What was a dirty envelope in their young lives?

Then, just before second period classes began, a junior girl stooped and picked it up. Our watcher

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### "Our Miss Brooks" Will Make Appearance at 8 P. M. Tonight

Aufrica Florence

Tonight and tomorrow night are the first "Big Nights" for the senior class of 1951, for on those nights they will present their senior play, "Our Miss Brooks". The big event comes off at eight o'clock in the school auditorium. A double cast of characters has been assigned

In Rare Morning Voice . . .

## Glee Club to Go Carolling

At 6:00 a.m., Friday, December 22, sixty or seventy of the Washington Glee Club members will meet at school to go Christmas carolling at the St. Joseph County Home, St. Joseph's Hospital, and the Children's Home. The singers will have one chartered bus to take them to these places. The cost will be paid out of the glee club's treasury. They will return between 7:30 and 7:45 to the school for breakfast in the cafeteria.

The students are doing this for their own pleasure. They hope that it will also be a pleasure for those who hear them.

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

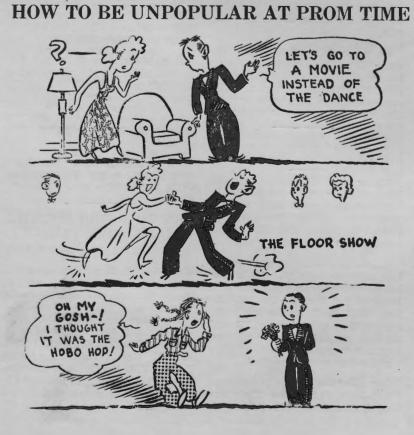
by Miss Fortin, who is in charge of play direction.

The plot of "Our Miss Brooks" revolves around all the troubles that teachers and coaches and students suffer from when everyone wants to be in everything. The coach wants his athletes. Miss Brooks wants her actors, and they are one and the same people! The coach gets angry at Miss Brooks, Miss Brooks gets angry at the coach, and the principal gets angry at both of them. Moreover, the people who do not get parts in the play get mad at everybody. Troubles pile on top of troubles until the night of the big play when everything turns out fine.

double cast of characters s: Our Miss Brooks, Doro-The follows: thy Deguch and Mary Ann Grzeczyk; Miss Finch, Ann Szuscits and Barbara Czarnecki; Hugo Longacre, Richard Grontkowski and Melvin Lesniewicz; Mrs. Wadsworth, Joe Lacey and Don Phillips; Miss Audubon, Pat Kus and Elea-nor Taberski; Elsie, Rose Flowers and Betty Walorski; Elaine, Florence Waggoner and Betty Boosi; Jane, Lorraine Wachowiak and Christine Piekarski; Sylvia, Marie Calvert and Pat Lekarczyk; Doris, Nancy Badowski and Eleanor Ga-pinski; Marge, Lorraine Walczak and Irene Arelt; Faith, Betty Klemczewski and Carol Guzowski; Rhoda, Pauline Watson and Bar-bara Vakarich; Ted, Richard Biggs and Richard Sobczak; Stanley, Robert Sikorski and Floyd Smith; Martin, Jack Northrup and Robert Moore; Mrs. Allen, Pat Lane and Mary Jane Nowak; basketball players, Ervin Gerschoffer, Eugene Block, and Richard Opaczewski.

Those in charge of committees are Mr. Covert, faculty advisor, and Betty Walorski and Lorraine Walczak, co-chairman of tickets; Mr. Rogers, faculty advisor and members of the are classes, sets and posters; Mr. Herringer, faculty advisor of publicity; Mrs. Shaw, faculty advisor, and Collette Berndt, Dorothy Olivet, Elaine Slisz, Jeanette Gorczyca and Mary Jane Nowak, costumes;

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#### Nice Going, "Patients"!

Compliments and more compliments have been pouring in from several doctors and nurses who conducted the physical examination for the 9B, 10A, ad 11B grades on October 30 and November 6. These fine words were for the wonderful way in which the students conducted themselves during the examination. Th doctors particularly appreciated the courtesy shown them by the students.

This physical exam is given each year to the students in the 9th and 11th grades. Enrolled in these grades are a total of 254 students, and all but 5 were present for the examination.

The purpose of this exam is to locate any defects and enable a student and his family to secure early correction. Many defects do become serious if neglected. Students who had a defect that needed immediate attention were sent to their family doctor for a recheck.

The students working together with the faculty made this program a success. Mr. Schoeppel started the ball rolling with a talk in an assembly. Miss Wolf and Mr. Byers saw that the students knew what was expected of them. Miss Cooney set up the examining clinics and did the follow-up work.

We wish to thank the doctors, nurses, faculty, and students, who helped to make this program a success. C. J.

CONGRATULATIONS!



GERTRUDE FORTIN, director of dramatics and English teacher, is a graduate of Riley High School. A ter receiving her bachelor's degree from St. Mary's College, she attended Indiana university one summer and Northwestern university two summers. She taught at Central High one year before coming to Washington, where she has been for eight years.

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ROBERT EDWARD BRADY, teacher of woodworking and mechanical drawing, was graduated from Washington High and from Indiana State Teachers' College. He is junior high athletic coach. Coaching, by the way, is one of his hobbies. His other hobbies are woodworking and dancing. He wanted to become a coach because he has always enjoyed working His favorite with young boys. food is steak just smothered with mushrooms and we are sure he gets enough of that, judging by his nice physique. Mr. Brady prefers the colors of grey and maroon to any other color, so if you see him in these two, you will certainly know the reason. He enjoys teaching at Washington because, "It's always something to look forward to, teaching where you graduated." He thinks that our school is tops and he has proved that feeling by his friendly and always welcoming smile to all the students.

### Hans - Rintzsch Michigan at Colfax

One of the Nicest Places in Town to Shop.

### – GAB ON GARB –

(For boys only)

As the snow begins to fall many of the high school boys are turning toward their winter wardrobes.

Some boys are really getting into the style column this year. Colors of all kinds are seen around school. A great number of the boys are really going all out for this big change.

It seems that cashmere sweaters are one big hit in some wardrobes; and if you ever see Bob De Cook, I'm sure you will understand. Argyle socks are also being worn more this year than ever before. Many of our Washington boys have them. To name a few: Bob Hegedus, Ronnie Bobinski and Gene Long can always be seen with the latest in argyles. The corduroy pants which Bob Corthier and Casimer Krawiec have been wearing are really very nice.

So, we certainly do not have to worry about the boys at Washington because a good majority of them gave the latest styles. Just remember boys and girls, we all like nice dressers.-M.J. and B.H.

#### TB CHRISTMAS SEALS GO ON SALE

Under the direction of the Washington chapter of the Hi-Y, TB Christmas seals went on sale in the building last Tuesday, December 5. Sale will continue until the last day of school.

Students wishing to send greeting cards to their friends in the building may do so again this year by dropping them in the "Christmas Mail Box" in the hall. Of course, they must bear a TB seal as well as a homeroom address. Delivery of greeting cards will begin the last week of school.

Mr. Herringer has announced that there will be no Christmas Seal Queen chosen this year.



Here's the News About the Guys and Gals-(We Got the Information From Their Bosom Pals)

See "Our Miss Brooks" Who is the Air-man Stella Schofield is always writing to??? Could it be Willis James???? Going Steady: Margaret Young

and Willie Wells.

See "Our Miss Brooks" Jim Robinson and Anne Wells are at it again. Idella, here's your chance to grab Spandward Mitchem.

Edisto Woods, why don't you tell us who the lucky guy is??? Could it be Benny Wilkins???

Shirley Parks, why the long face? Could it be Earl Miller??? Give the other boys a chance. John H., why don't you give the

girls a chance?

How is Alice getting along with Burt L.?

fusie and Blondie are doing just ine.

See "Our Miss Brooks" Dan O. did you and your friends

say you were giving up girls-How long???? Bob Morris and Betty S. are going partner?

See "Our Miss Brooks" Joe B., why do you keep going in 109 at noon? Could it be that you and D. Lichkay are in-

Danny V. L., what's this I hear about you and a certain Frosh named Sheila H.?

Alice S. and Leon G. have been seen exchanging rings. Let us in on it!!!

See "Our Miss Brooks" Some kids don't care who knows they're in love. Isn't that right, Kruso and Mary Ann S.?

See "Our Miss Brooks" Hey, Mary Ann G. and a few others! Why don't you start a fan club with Mr. Brady as the sponsor? More fun!!!

See "Our Miss Brooks" Who is the lucky girl that is going with Bill Gilkey ??? Tell us, Bill.

See "Our Miss Brooks" Why does Delores Popielski's eyes sparkle when Tom Plonski walks by??? Could it be love??

#### **"OUR MISS BROOKS" WILL** MAKE APPEARANCE Continued from page 1

Mr. Robinson, faculty advisor, and Lorraine Odynski, Louis Haugel, Henry Martin, and Ann Szuscits, properties.

The stage crew, directed by Miss Fortin, will be Gerald Malicki, Richard Grontkowski, Daniel Kruszewski, Gerald Notteboom, Alex Benko, Bill Smith, Bob Lisenko, and Art Lootens. Marianne Lemanski and Joan Jaroszewski are prompters.

#### The Story of the TB "Seal."

Each year about this time the sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals begins. Have you ever wondered how these seals originated, or what the TB League

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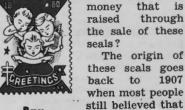
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Help Fight TB



Buy **Christmas Seals** 

A few able. doctors in Wilmington, Delawere, were trying to cure eight charity patients of the disease. Their funds were exhausted.

Emily Bissell, cousin of one of the doctors, decided to try to raise some money to help care for these patients. She had heard of a Danish postal clerk, Einar Holboll, who in 1904 had sold Christmas Seals to care for tuberculous children in Denmark. Emily Bissell led the first Christmas Seal Crusade in 1907. Instead of raising the \$300 she hoped for, she raised \$3,000. So it is that the sale has been carried on ever since.

Today, the money raised through the sale of Christmas Seals goes for case finding, rehabilitation, and health education. X-Rays and tuberculin tests are given to find whether a person has tuberculosis or has been in contact with a person who now has TB.

The TB League does not operate Healthwin Hospital, that is done through taxation. The League, however, does make every effort to give patients and their families guidance and assistance until the patient is again able to resume his place in a normal life.

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#### Act III - Finale

### Sparks from Rehearsal

(THE play is tonight. Rehearsals are over. But we can't forget them. They showed us to ourselves as we had never before seen us!)

Annie S. definitely must like rehearsals. So - o-o much fun behind sets. Eh, Annie? Mel, we love that giggle!!!

- Come see us! -Little sophisticate! Pauline W. is growing long fingernails to look more aristocratic. If you can stop chewing them while you memorize lines, it will help, Pauline!

- Come see us! --Lacey, Granny, Ann, Dorothy, Nancy, and Marie the easiest way to get home after rehearsals is to stay out of foot deep snowdrift. At least, it will help!

- Come see us! -Pat Lane is doing a marvelous job on her part as Rhoda's (Pauline W.) mother. It sounds so REAL!

— Come see us! — We have an addition to our expert basketball players. It is Ervin Gerschoffer. He even says one whole line in the play!

Bob "Curly" Moore has a pain in the play, but that pain isn't quite as bad as the pain that Bob gave the car in front of him Thursday noon!

— Come see us! — Don Phillips is Chief Chauffeur

for Cast I. Come see us! -

Eleanore Taberski and Pat Kus, alias Miss Audubon; Pat Lane and Mary Jane Nowak, alias Mrs. Allen; get to swank around in formals which are literally out of this world. Everyone's wondering which way out ?!

- Come see us! Joe Lacey, as Mr. Wadsworth, the principal, is having troubles with his English. We hope that by Friday night he remembers to say "gone" instead of "went".

"Juna" Nowak, Mrs. Allen, substitutes for everyone who isn't there for rehearsals. She makes a wonderful "coach"!!

#### SCRAP PAPER - WHO CARES

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tried to reach her, to congratulate her for her tidy spirit, and to reward her; but in the hall confusion, the watcher could not catch her. She got away.

(There is a sad postscript to this story. We discovered not only how many students won't pick up a scrap of paper, but also what students do with valuables they find, Miss Murphy had put a dollar bill in the envelope, intending to reward the tidy person intend that. We are sorry that (if we found one) with the money. we know the finder.)

#### Here's the Lineup

### W. H. S. Couples At All City Prom

The following Washington high school couples will be seen at the All-City Prom:

Irene Arelt ('51) Floyd Smith ('51). Pat Kish ('51) Tom Peltz (Cen-

tral '51). Fides Hojara ('51) Bob Saltz-

gaber ('52). Walorski ('51) Norb Betty

Hecklinski (Central '50). Berndt' ('51) Colette Larry

Hoffman (Mish. '52) Ann Szuscits ('51) Dick Grontkowski ('51).

Betty Klemczewski ('51) Bernie Makielski ('51).

Mary Ann Grzesczyk ('51) Bob Williams (N. D.)

Betty Boosi ('51) John Lubinski ('51)

Jean Olivet ('51) Jack Presnel (Central '50).

Christine Piekarski ('51) Dick Sobczak ('51).

Helen Wojciechowski (S. B. C. '53) Dave Papai ('51).

Lorraine Wachowiak ('51) Dick Biggs (51).

Carole Guzowski ('51) Howard Siderits (51).

Florence Waggoner ('51) Joe Chlebek (C. C. '47)

Pat Lekarczyk ('51) Paul Ryd-Tzynski (Central '50)

Walczak ('51) Tom Lorraine Peczkowski ('51).

Delphine Cwidak ('51) Ray Flencner (S.B.C. '50).

Shirley Hughes (Central '51) Lob De Cook ('51).

Elaine Slisz ('51) Tom Partan (Central '49).

Helen Horworth (Central '51) Don Lukasiewicz ('51).

Gloria Gyorkus ('51) Joe Siderits ('51).

Pat Kus ('51) Gene Jedrzejewski (Central '49).

Margie Sobiech (Central) Jim Finch ('51).

Eileen Howe ('52) Joe Bykowski ('51)

Beth Ahlgrim ('54) Joe Radecki ('51).

Lillie James ('51) John Easton (51).

A minister told a poor washerwoman how glad he was to see her in her place in the church every Sunday so attentive to his sermons.

"Yes, she replied honestly, "it is such a rest after a hard week's work, to come to church and just sit down and not think about anything."-Cumberland Presbyterian

But the "finder" got away before we could carry out our plan. She has not turned her find into the What we planned to be a office. test of tidiness has turned out to be a test of honesty. We did not

#### Le Tour de Grande

### "Cleo" Initiates The Cheerleaders

Came new uniforms, came snowstorm, came a new Cadillac.

Of course, Washington is too elite to have uniforms made in South Bend, they had to be made in the country just outside of Elkhart.

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The trip had to be made in an hour and a half. The first half hours was taken up by pushing Miss Fortin's new Cadillac, "Cleopatra the Second," out of the school yard. The last five minutes of that half hour proved successful because Pauline finally got out of the car. Miss Fortin absolutely refused to let the cheerleaders enter her luxurious Cadillac until they had removed their snow-covered shoes. The cheerleaders protested, but Miss Fortin finally won out.

At last we were on our way. It took another forty-five minutes to get out to our "country estate" due to hazardous road conditions and flying snowflakes. At last the last uniforms were fitted. We merrily jaunted back to the car (taking off our shoes on the way) for we only had a few minutes left to make the hour and a half deadline. Again we started off-no-no, we didn't. The car was again stuck. On went the shoes, out went the cheerleaders, and finally, out went Pauline. The drift behind us was tremendous. All of a sudden-no Dutch. Irene with her lilv white hands began shoveling out Dutch, while Tina stood in the cold, cold blizzard shouting cheers of encourement. After we Amazons went to work, we were again on our way. Oh, no, we weren't. Norma had only one shoe but two feet. We had to go back. After finding Norma's shoe, we again started and were madly battling time. (The Cadillac now reads a hundred miles.) We pulled up in the same parking space behind school, stuck again, but we decided to leave it.

After all our mad rushing and struggling in the blizzard, we returned to school only to find an empty schoolhouse.

P.S. We didn't make it in the hour and a half, but we have new uniforms.



#### LET 'EM ROLL

Charles Michael Daugherty All the excitement of making a Hollywood movie is packed into this story. Joseph Beacon, "a young man in a hurry," whose ambition is to be a movie director like his Uncle Tex, finds there are countless people behind the scenes who work for many months before the first reel is filmed. -::0::-

#### POCKETFUL OF FEATHERS -Madeleine M. Myers

Thistle and Patricia Jones were at a loss on how to save their summer cottage from being sold. Their mother and dad were out West, so that dad could recuperate after his long illness. Tony Hunter opened the door to an unusual business. Whenever the business was faced with a serious situation, Tony boasted, "Leave it to Tony." You'll be surprised with what happened to "Fly-Ty-ing, Inc." and the girls when Thistle "left it to Tony." **Boy's Life Adventure Stories** 

Sixteen stories of high adventure are included in this book. "Bench Warmer" tells a breathless football story; "A Conflict Is Joined" a Western ranch story; "Steelman's Nerves" is a tense yarn of the construction industry, and a game story of sailing is "The Little Guy."

#### What Did He Mean?

Earl Miller to Ernest Kish, in modified physics class:

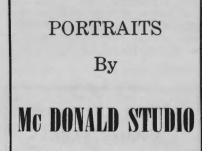
"They ought to use your brain for an atom!"

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#### GENERAL CALENDER

December

- 7 Senior Play 8:00 p.m. -Auditorium
- 8 Senior Play 8:00 p.m. -Auditorium Basketball Game-North-
- side of Fort Waynep.m.
- 9 Inter City Prom-Palais Royale-9:00 to 12:00 6:45 p.m.
- 14. Pep Assembly 8:30 a. m. Basketball Game-Riley-
- at John Adams-6:45 p.m. 15 Poor Work Notices Out.
- 21 Basketball Game --- Culver-at John Adams-
- 6:45 p.m. 22 Christmas Vacation be-
- gins at 3:00 p.m. 28-29 Holiday Tourney.

January. 5 Christmas Vacation ends.

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#### NOON LEAGUE CAGE STANDINGS

Captain	Won	Lo
Watkins		0
Wells	3	0
Bykowski	2	1
Lacey	1	1
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Rozanski	1	2
Grontkowski		3
Papai		3
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(Standings as of December 1)

#### FINAL JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL RECORD

Washington	6	Muessel	0
Washington		Riley	0
Washington		Harrison	6
Washington	0	Oliver	12
Washington	0	Central	7
Washington	0	Linden	0
Wins 3-	-Lo	ses 2-Ties	1

#### HERE IS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL STANDING

· (As of I	December 1)		
Washington 28	Riley		18
Washington 31	Harrison		26
Washington 46	Muessel		42
Washington 21	Oliver		20
Wins 4	Losses	0	



### The Season — To Date **Panthers** Net Two in Three

A well-balanced attack paid off for Coach Holley and the Washington Panthers in their opening non-conference game with the Madison Panthers on the Adams court, November 22. We tripped the Madison five 52-45, after leading throughout most of the ball game.

It was Floyd Smith who paced the home team to victory. Floyd pushed in a total of 16 points. Shmeltz was high for the losers.

It was Willie Robertson, Dan Kruszewski, and Floyd Smith who carried the Panthers to victory over Adams on the opponents' home floor a week later. Robertson plunked in 12 points on six baskets and Smith and Kruszewski added 10 each on four baskets and a couple of free throws. Willie Gilkey, superbly guarded by the Adams 'center, Don Oakes, chipped in only seven points for the Panthers, but his floor game was up to his usual standard.

The Panthers led at all times and when the final fun sounded the boys had a final lead of 52-40. The battle was a non-conference game.

In the next encounter, on December 2, the Panthers learned that height does not always win. The team and the guy without the height that handed the Panthers their first loss was Hammond Clark and little (five-foot-six), Steve Stavros, the captain of the visiting five, tied Washington's captain Gilkey for high point honors wth 22. Gilkey displayed the best ball-playing he has done thus far. Final socre: Hammond, 57; Washington, 50.

The Panthers tangle with Niles on the Viking's home Tuesday and will meet North Side of Ft. Wayne tomorrow in a conference game there. The Niles game will be re-viewed in the next issue. Dan M.

Judge: "It seems that you committed the theft yourself." Thief: "Sure I did! Where can

you find an honest partner these days?"

Stationery - Street Floor

#### FOOTBALL BANQUET TO BE HELD DEC. 11

The annual testimonial banquet honoring the 1950 Washington High School Football Team and its coaches will be given at 6:30 P.M. December 11, at the St. Casimer's Hall.

The principal speaker will be Mr. A. T. Krider, varsity track coach at John Adams high school.

At this time Coach Sam Wegner will present his 1950 gridiron team and introduce the seniors who have completed their football careers.

Toastmaster for the testimonial



will be Mr. E. N. Robinson of the Washington high school faculty.

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