

Miss Ask-it Asks

THE QUESTION

"At what age or grade do you feel students are old enough to go steady?"

Ronnie Brown—When they feel like it.

Christine Piekarski — I think that 16 is about the right age for girls, 17 or 18 for boys.

Bob Moore—I believe that it is entirely up to the persons involved. If they both agree that they want to go steady, they should no matter how old they are or what grade they are in.

Gladys Badowski — When you feel ready to.

Pat Van Putte—I feel that the seniors are about the right age to go steady. Either 17 or 18 years of age.

Richard Kruszewski — I think the seniors or juniors or even sophs, from the age of 16 on up are old enough to go steady.

Mr. Robinson—Not before 17.

Pat Wells — When you get the urge: because if you don't, the next time it will be too late.

Dick Biggs—When you find the right one, nab her.

Bob Morris—Whenever you think that you have found the right girl.

Jeanne Nagy—As soon as you know the real meaning of "ego amo te."

Florence Waggoner—I should say about 15 or 16, because at that age they are old enough to know better but too young to resist.

David Van Kirk—In my estimation when they're big enough, they're old enough!

Bob DeCook—When your girl friend asks you.

Ann Szuscits—As soon as they can find someone to go steady with after they start kindergarten.

SANDRA HAS AN IDEA!

Sandra Smith a junior of home room 202 won an "Idea Payoff" recently which appeared in "The South Bend Tribune". She won a check for two dollars and a certificate which states that she is a member of the "Idea Merchants of America".

The idea which Sandra submitted was colored skywriting. We of the Hatchet Staff feel proud that one of our members helped add to the fame of our school and we want to congratulate her!

Feb. 1 is the Day

J. T. M. Set For Washington

Washington will be host at the next Junior Town Meeting, which will be held on February 1. The topic for discussion will be "Should Western Germany be rearmed?" The members of this panel are as follows:

Pat Theodoroff - Washington
Arthur Perry - S. B. Catholic
Judy Patterson - Central
Bill Schubmehl - Central Cath.

The last student forum meeting was held on Thursday, January 11, in Central High School. At that meeting dates were set for this and other future Junior Town Meetings of the Air.

Pat Kus, Joan Jaroszewski, Patricia Theodoroff, and Steve Horvath are the Washington High School representatives in the Student Forum.

Miss Murphy (mumbling to herself): Sandra's here; Marlene's here; Matthew's here; Pat's here, everyone's here.

Sandra: Who's "everyone"? Is it a new student?

The majority of Congressmen seem to think they know which side their bread is oiled on.

—Pathfinder.

"MEMORY LANE" DRIVE IS ON!

Subscription, Patron Campaigns Get Underway With Marked Success

The campaign to obtain patrons for the 1951 issue of "Memory Lane," the senior yearbook, has started. An advertising committee has been set up with representatives on it from each senior home room. These representatives are Nancy Badowski and David Papai 201;

Richard Grontkowski and Fides Hojara, 118; Mary Ann Gresczyk, 110; and Pat Lekarczyk, 203.

Patron listing in the book will sell for \$5.00 this year, making possible a price of \$2.00 to underclassmen. The cost of each copy may actually be as much as \$3.00 this year.

A contest may be set up to see which senior home room obtains the most patrons. Last year in such a contest, Miss Walsh's senior group won—a "Chicken Dinner."

In previous years the annual has had these numbers of patrons:

1949	—	150
1950	—	108

The class of this year hopes to duplicate the record of 1949.

The seniors are planning to begin the campaign for "Memory Lane" subscriptions early next semester, probably on Monday, February 5. Eugene Long, senior class president, has appointed the following circulation committee: Margie Rinninger, Christine Jenczewski, Carole Guzowski, Dorothy Deguch, Rita Gorney, Eleanor Gapinski, Christine Piekarski, and Joe Lacay. The price of the yearbook will again be \$2.00 to underclassmen. Last year there were 260 subscription sold. With our increased enrollment it is hoped that at least 300 may be sold this year.

The entire \$2.00 can be paid at one time or, if it is more convenient, a down payment of 50c may be made at the time of subscription and the balance paid in weekly installments.

"How did he happen to lose control of his car at the railroad crossing?"

"He's the kind of fellow he always drops everything when the whistle blows."

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

All students who made \$1,000.00 or more during the year 1950 should file a STATE income tax return by January 31.

ONCE IN EVERY SENIOR'S LIFE



The Importance of Knuckling Down To Your Studies

There is general complaint from teachers and employers that students in our present day high schools lack (1) the ability to get down to work, (2) a sense of responsibility in their school work and in their jobs, (3) and the feeling of satisfaction in doing a job well.

There is also the complaint that students are trying to "get by" with the least amount of effort and are trying to get "something for nothing."

C. D. A. Gerken in "Study Your Way Through School" has said, "In every activity in which one is engaged there is a premium placed upon time and 'brains.' The world pays well those who have ability and who can use it effectively. In other words, efficiency is absolutely necessary for achievement in our present-day living.

"Competition, in school and out, is getting keener. The standards for speed and accuracy are rising. If someone can do something faster and better than you, he gets the first opportunity to do that something. However much we dislike the tensions and strains which result from this kind of living, we must nevertheless compete with others. And we must compete against levels and standards which are not own, but which are set for us by others.

"Most of us on occasion have suddenly come face to face with situations that adequate time-planning would have prevented. We get to a point where we've more to do than can be done in the time left. If you've ever had that "going-around-in-circles" feeling, you know what we mean. It's all tied up with this business of efficiency we mentioned, and it's related in some fashion to everything you expect to do during your school years and all the years that follow."

Without a sound background of good working habits, respect for work, and a good foundation of knowledge skills, and attitudes which students should be getting in high school, they are poorly equipped to take their places in the working world and to meet the competition which they find there.

—Helen Goppert



EDWARD PILARSKI, social studies and commercial teacher, graduated from Washington High School and attended Canterbury College in Danville, Indiana. He first taught at New Winchester, a county school, near Danville. His teaching was interrupted for two and a half years while he served as a Seabee during the war. After the war, he continued his teaching at Washington, and has been here for five years.

Being the head track coach here and also the elementary basketball coach and one of the assistant football coaches, he is chiefly interested in sports. Besides being interested in sports, Mr. Pilarski has a desire to travel.

He is married and has three children, including twins.

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HELEN GOPPERT, guidance teacher, is another of our "Meet the Faculty" personalities for this week. She is a graduate of Indiana University where she obtained both her A. B. and Master's degrees. She has also done work at the University of Notre Dame and at the University of Wisconsin. Her home is in Walkerton.

She came to Washington to teach mathematics, but a number of years ago she transferred to guidance. She is also chairman of the social committee which re-

gulates school social affairs.

Miss Goppert likes football and basketball and participates in golf, fishing, and bridge. She is especially interested in mathematics and enjoys being with people and working with boys and girls.

By The Yard —

Faille (dull) — Library study periods.

Jersey (clinging) — Katie and Krush.

Indianhead (hard, rocky) — Earl Baby Doll Miller.

Broadcloth (tough) — Nedly Vargo and the '51 football team (we hope!)

Tafetta and net (formals) — Senior Prom May 18; Junior Prom May 11.

100% Wool (soft, warm) — Ooh! These winter nights!

Vinylite (transparent) — The senior pockets and purses

Satin and lace (wedding bells) — Margie Rininger.

Rayon (slick) — Jim Kalka

Organdy (feminine) — Miss Walsh.

Gingham (neat and trim) — Dolores Frasz.

Nylon (unbreakable) — Those new blackboards.

Linon (cool, shining) — Bill Gilkey.

Seersucker (needs no ironing) — Marilyn Cole.

Velvet (smooth, push) — Don Lukasiewicz.

Dotted Swiss (smart) — Christine Jenczewski.

Gabardine (heavy) — Willie Robertson.

Crinkle Crepe (soft, smooth) —



Why is it **Dolores Frasz** likes math class so well? Because of one **Gene Szweda**?

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Louie Thomas, who is this certain **Mary Ann** who is wearing your senior ring? Let us in on it?

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Why does **Dolores Haluda** go into the gym at noon? Because of a certain **Bobby**?

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Which one of the **Gorbacz** twins is it, **Maxine**? **Robert** or **Eugene**?

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Dorothy L. is still going strong with **Jim E.** of Central.

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Hej, June, who is the new flame? **Bob S.**?

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Everybody thinks **Sandra S.** is so busy with **BOOKS**. They could be wrong couldn't they, **Bob**?

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We wonder, is **Granny** a bachelor or has he got **Pat G.** on his mind?

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Marlene J. can stop worrying now. We think she has **Ronnie** safely tied.

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Who is the latest on **Pat A's** list? Don't hold out on us, **Pat**.

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Was **Krush's** absence the reason **Katie** was going around so blue last week?

COUNCIL TO SELL PANTHER PINS

"Do you want a pin?" That is what the members of the Student Council are asking the student body these days.

One student asked, "What kind of pin is this?"

The pin stands for the Washington Panthers. The top is a black panther and has a green and white ribbon around the pin. You may purchase these pins at 35c from members of the Student Council, any time.

Miss Murphy: My new spectacles are so good I can read your thoughts!

Carl Zwierzynski: That doesn't bother me. I haven't any!

You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying over the future.

Annette Arpasi.

Pongee (thin, light) — Eleanor Gapinski.

Burlap (rough) — "Do Do" Lacay.

Introducing — New Course For Girls

A new course is going to be offered next semester for girls. (Sorry boys, girls only.) It is a course in Home Nursing. It will be given the sixth hour on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. It is not required but it will give the girls a general knowledge of what to do in case of shock, fainting, and about many other things that one should know in first aid. (To The People Who Will Not Be Taking This Course: Don't be surprised if you see someone going down the halls all bandaged up! It will just be the girls practicing. Keep your eyes open all of the time or you may be the next victim.

This course is a beginning course in nursing. After completing it and with a little extra training, you may become a Nurse's Aid. According to Miss Cooney practical nurses are getting a pretty fair salary of nine dollars a day. Registered nurses, however, are getting up to twelve dollars a day.

One way to find out if you are the least bit interested in nursing is to take this course. Even if you aren't interested in nursing, you may want to take it, for in it you will learn something that will be of value to you wherever you may go.

Any girl who has either a study hall or gym the sixth hour and wants to take this course should see Miss Goppert. This course may be taken in place of gym. (If you do this, you will still get your credit for gym).

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On January 11th —

The Seniors Went to Town

It will be the 11th day of January in the year of 1951 that will go down in Washington history as the day was marked by the conspicuous absence of the seniors Class of '51. No, they weren't truant, and they didn't play "hookey" by skipping school. They went to town! Of course, it was all quite legal! (Mr. E. N. Robinson was along).

The Civics Committee and Mr. Robinson made the arrangements for the civics classes to take the day off and tour the City Hall, County Court House, and Federal Building. The purpose of the trip was to see what the offices, office holders, and, in general, what the inside of the building which house our county and municipal government, look like.

A delegation of approximately one hundred seniors met at the City Hall bright and early that Thursday morning. Mr. Ed Hanzyewski of the South Bend Police Department took the group through the City Hall.

The Squad Room of the Police Department is where the roll is called, reports are typed out, and information as to stolen cars and general happenings in the preceding twenty-four hours is obtained. In another room were the "paddy wagon" (which, by the way, is not padded) and the police ambulance, which is on service twenty-four hours a day. The police fire arms and radio room were also seen by the group.

In the city court, the group sat in the gallery and heard the proceedings in a few cases. A trip to the mayor's office proved fruitless, for Mayor Schock was out of town on his annual vacation. Location and duties of the Food Inspection Office, Engineering Department, clerk's office and Cafeteria Court, where traffic violation fines are paid, were further information gathered on the tour.

Next, the enthusiastic group went to the County Court House. The following offices were visited: county treasurer, county auditor, recorder, surveyor, superintendent of public schools, registration office, Portage Township assessor, and county clerk. The office holders explained the duties of their offices.

Though they had no charges brought against them, the seniors went to court. Judge Gonas of the Probate Court spoke briefly to the group on the cases tried in his court.

They also went to Superior Court No. 2. There the Honorable J. F. Bingham, Judge of Superior Court No. 1, and the Honorable J. E. Peek, Judge of Superior Court No. 2 took time from their busy schedules to speak to the

13-TH SWINGHEART SWAY COMING OUR WAY

The thirteenth annual Hi-Y Swingheart Sway will be held Friday February 9, at the Palais Royale, with dancing from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. One member of each couple must be a student of the high schools of South Bend, Mishawaka, or St. Joseph County. However, Hi-Y alumni of these schools are also invited.

Tickets are \$1.50 per couple, plus 30c tax. Corsages are not allowed on the dance floor.

Music will be provided by Betty Murphy and her All-Girl Orchestra.

GLASS BLACKBOARDS INSTALLED

Glass blackboards have been installed in the school gymnasium. The blackboards were purchased by Washington and have been installed by the School City workmen.

As the schools where most of our games are played have glass blackboards, the team shoots in games under a disadvantage since they practice against wood. They will now have the advantage of practicing with glass.

group.

The biggest disappointment for the group was not being allowed "to go to jail." What I mean is, not being allowed to see what the jail-looks like! The jail was being repaired.

Last on the list was a visit to the Post Office. Being allowed to go "behind the cages" was an experience not to be easily forgotten. We saw how the mail and parcels are sorted, stamped, etc. Many realized that the sender of a letter or a one cent post card is certainly getting off "cheap" when he licks and sticks a three-cent stamp on an envelope and that three-cent stamp gets his letter to any place in the United States within a few days. It certainly is a bargain in these days of high prices and of the soon-to-be-out-moded nickel!

The group also saw the District Court, a federal court, which is in the Federal Building. There are forty-eight gold stars on the walls near the ceiling, each star represents one state in the union.

The seniors are now quite well-informed on the municipal and county duties of government as a result of this trip. There was other information, different from civics, gathered on this trip, too. Earl "Baby Doll" Miller has a chance to see Judge Gonas of the Probate and Juvenile Court any time he wants further information on whether or not he can "adopt a wife." Have you made your appointment with the Judge yet, Baby Doll? Willie Robertson discovered that a passport is not needed to go to Korea. The popcorn at the Court House is delicious.



AS OF JANUARY 22 LIBRARY LIL SEZ —

Ah, me! They're finally over. Exams I mean. I suppose we're all glad the semester's over and wish the time between semesters was longer. But, time waits for no one; when a new year comes, so comes a new semester. Keeping in the category of new things, the library has a number of new books. Now is a good time to catch up on that reading you've been meaning to do.

The title of one new novel is in keeping with the weather we've been having. *Winter Wedding* by Martha Barnhart Harper is a story full of interest from the beginning. The heroine, Belle, feels that life hold nothing more for her after the death of Evan and when the opportunity comes to teach far from all her sad memories, she applies for the post and is accepted. Inevitably there are suitors for the attractive Belle and that fills the story with romance a plenty.

John J. Floherty author of *Aviation From the Ground Up* gathered all his information first hand in years of flying with the world's great pilots and hobnobbing with people in aviation to give his book a true picture of careers in aviation. From his hill-top home on Long Island, the author has seen aviation grow from a hazardous sport to one of the world's most vital industries. This is a non-technical book that includes subjects from jet and turbo-jet propulsion to the helicopter with its many uses and the workaday planes engaged in the unusual jobs of surveying, exploration, photography, skywriting, and rescue.

The story of drugs, of morphine, quinine, novocaine, of digitalis, vitamins, and penicillin is revealed in *Magic in a Bottle* by Milton Silverman, Ph. D. This book unfolds for you the fascinating details of the search and human struggle behind the chief drugs of modern medicine. The author tells how the mistake of a German chemist led to the discovery of aspirin, the story of brilliant genius and rivalry behind the wonder-working sulfa drugs, and of the long struggle for a cure for epilepsy. M. Silverman reveals an ability for contributing warm interest to the cold facts of science.

After winter comes spring, and in *Spring Comes Riding* by Betty Cavanna sixteen year old Meg Sanderson was feeling lost and left out. Her older sister, Joanna, was eighteen, beautiful, popular, and poised—everything Meg wanted to be and wasn't. Meg thought

IS THIS WHAT DREAMS ARE MADE OF?

As I went to bed last night, I felt pretty miserable, because of all the exams coming up which I had studied so-o-o-o hard to pass.

I was very worried when I overheard the grades being discussed. I thought that my name was mentioned, but I was not really sure. So I edged in a little closer to hear what "they" were saying. Then the word came: I had failed all my exams!

My heart fell and with great terror I ran down the hall. Blinded by my tears, I could not see where I was going and ran into the wall! This proved to be such a big mishap that I awoke with a start and found that it all was only a dream. Now I know that I am going to work harder in all my subjects and really make the grade. S. S. and M. J.

Alan Randolph just about perfect, but Joanna thought so too, and in no time she had him wrapped around her little finger. It wasn't fair, for Joanna was supposed to be crazy about Ken; but then Ken was away at Annapolis. All packed to go to her first "hop" at Annapolis, Joanna suddenly got the mumps. Afraid of losing Ken to another girl, shy Meg substituted for her with Ken's approval. How Meg discovers the secret of popularity, gains new poise, and is able to cope with her glamorous sister is a true-to-life story told in the best Betty Cavanna fashion.

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Panthers Win Three and Lose Three

In the sports spotlight on December 28 and 29, was the second annual Holiday Tourney. Washington's Panthers, defending champions and tourney favorites, clashed with the Michigan City quintet in the opening game, and downed the hard-fighting Red Devils, 50-45. In the second game of that evening, Adams whipped the Riley five. Winners of these two games pitted the Panthers against Adams in the championship game.

Although Adams didn't act it, they were the underdogs. But they popped off the tourney-favored Panthers against Adams in the championship game. It was the left-handed Bob Pfaff who broke the back of the Washington five. He potted four consecutive one-handers in the second quarter to erase an 11-10 Panther lead. Adams lead 23-21 at the half and 39-24 at the end of the third quarter, but a 21-point fourth quarter splurge by the Panthers, narrowed the final margin to five points.

Robertson was high-point man for the Panthers with twelve, while Pfaff paced the winners with sixteen.

Just about the red-hottest shooting display in history zoomed the Elkhart Blue Blazers past the Panthers in a 79-35 rout on January 5. The Elkhart team was a very polished one and the Panthers could not match their power and accurate shooting. Likens, for the winners, topped all scorers with fifteen and Gilkey, the losers, with fourteen.

On January 16 Washington outplayed Tolleston 43-37. The Panthers had a 21-17 half-time lead and then coasted in. Gilkey led us with twenty-two points.

Playing a hot Mishawaka team, the Panthers were downed 59-44, in their second conference loss, on January 12. Orlosky led the Maroons with nineteen and Gilkey the Panthers with seventeen.

Displaying the brand of ball typical of a championship club, the Panthers downed the Schlundt-led Washington-Clay team 71-67 in an overtime on January 17. Jim Brazier, a sophomore guard, emerged the hero, as he knotted the score with two seconds to go in the game! He had been fouled by Miller and dropped in BOTH of the free throws given!

The Panthers were behind at the end of each quarter except the last. In the overtime, Smith and Cashaw each dropped in two-pointers for the margin of victory. Schlundt led all scoring with twenty-nine points and Gilkey the Panthers with twenty-two.

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Gilkey	66	70	29	202
Robertson	32	28	45	92
Wilkins	14	9	25	37
Smith	29	26	27	84
Finch	19	12	34	50
Brazier	3	5	3	11
Cashaw	11	6	13	28
Kruszewski	32	20	29	84
Sobczak	18	8	26	44
Miller	6	5	14	17
Bethel	0	0	0	0

B-TEAM SCORING

	B	FT	P	TP
Sabo	81	17	23	79
Wierzbinski	20	12	15	52
Corthier	4	5	9	13
Easton	17	16	6	50
Kovatch	8	8	16	24
Wands	8	7	9	23
Kalka	2	1	2	5
Traskowski	3	1	2	7
Fozo	2	2	6	6

JUNIOR HIGH SCORES

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*Harrison	32	26
*Muessel	46	42

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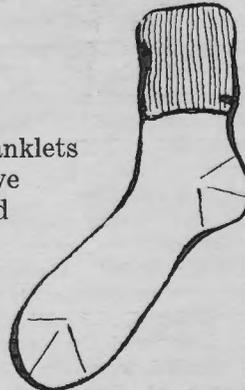
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*Harrison	26	25
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