

Miss Ask-It Asks

You juvenile subscribers to THE HATCHET, have had several turns at expressing yourselves since September. We thought it was the faculty's now. So our roving reporter, the comely Miss Ask-It took herself around to a few teachers and gave them a rest from grading papers, making out test questions, etc. by inquiring:

WHAT ONE THING IN WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BOTHERS YOU THE MOST?

Hear Ye! Hear! The answers:

Miss Murphy: Always has been—I live in hopes it won't always be: girls who sit in my room combing their hair, filing their nails, and applying their lipstick.

Mr. Hayes: Too many pupils in Washington who could do good work do not seem to think it's worth the effort. They're going to be like the small boy who went to the circus and couldn't get in because he had spent all his money for peanuts.

Miss Kuhn: The would-be artists who consistently leave pans, paint spots, messy paper, and other paraphernalia about our, would-be beautiful art room.

Mr. Pilarski: The one thing that bothers me in school is the fellow who isn't considerate enough to remember to take off his hat when he is in the building.

Miss Hunsberger: The destruction that is done really bothers me the most. In the library magazines are torn and books taken when all books may be checked out and magazines articles clipped the next month just for the asking!

Mr. Holley: The things that bother me most about Washington High is the inconsistency of our basketball team and the lack of support the team receives from Washington students and the west side of South Bend.

I feel that if the west side of town would support the basketball team as they have supported the football team, we could produce a winner. But basketball boys feel like a group of orphans whenever they play out-of-town. We have not been able to create a winning spirit because no one seems to care whether our team wins or loses.

Even the South Bend Tribune continually speaks about our lack of support and complete lethargy of our community. I believe the team would be more consistent if they had better support.

Meet the Family!

Panthers School Ties Revealed

Have you ever thought of Washington School as a great big family? The students of former years are the oldtimers and the present students, the "babies" of the family!

Have you ever wondered what former students are now doing? How many have been successful in this large world of ours? How many have married their "childhood sweethearts?" If any of the children of former Washington students are now attending Washington?

These are questions which you should be interested in. In your own families even your younger brothers and sisters know who Great Granfather So-and-So was. Why not know the same in our big family?

Recently the Hatchet tried to find the answers to some of these questions through the use of a questionnaire. One of the questions was: "Are any children of former Washington students now attending Washington?"

The answer to this is, surprisingly, "Yes!" Among the students whose parents came here, the sophomores take top honors, as three girls of the class have parents who formerly attended Washington. Other members of their families did too.

Dorothy Deguch of 201 says that both her mother, formerly Helen Grochowski, and her father, Walter Deguch, attended Washington in 1926. Her aunt is Elsie Deguch, of the present senior class. An uncle, Bert Deguch, is also a former student. He once won a medal for taking second place in a spelling contest.

Nancy Badowski's mother, formerly Stella Fujawa, attended in 1920 and her father, Walter Badowski, in 1926. She is a niece of Nick Badowski, who graduated last year.

Lucille and Lorraine Walczak report that their mother, formerly Victoria Grayczyk, attended in 1931 and their father, Casimer Walczak, sometime about 1923.

Mary Kania, a freshman, reports that her mother, formerly Frances Rumak, and her father, John Kania, both attended, but they do not remember exactly when. This is also true for Joan Poznanski, 7A. Her mother was Valerie Paszkiet and her father Joseph Poznanski. Her uncle,

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Tuesday is the Day —

"WHO'S WHO" POLL COMING UP!

On next Tuesday, February 28, the HATCHET will begin its customary poll of the classes to determine "Who's Who" in each. For those who are new in the school, we wish to explain that each class—senior, junior, sophomore, and freshman,—votes by ballot to select the

following in the class: most popular boy, most popular girl, prettiest girl and handsomest boy, best-dressed girl, best-dressed boy, best girl dancer, best boy dancer, wittiest boy and wittiest girl, best sport among the boys, best sport among the girls, biggest flirt among the girls, most talented girl, most talented boy, the girl with the best figure, the boy with the best physique.

When each class has made its selections, the whole school votes to select the outstanding person in the school in each of these eighteen types. The candidates in this final vote are the four selected by the four classes.

The procedure will differ only slightly this year from previous years. The seniors will vote first this year, the juniors following. Then will come the turn of the sophomores and the freshmen. The reason for changing the order is that the seniors want to have pictures of the winners in their class in the yearbook.

Results of the voting will be published on the following dates: on March 10, senior "Who's Who"; on March 24, junior "Who's Who"; on April 28, sophomore "Who's Who"; on May 12, freshman "Whos Who"; and on May 27, in the final issue of THE HATCHET, the "Who's Who In Washington High."

BROTHERHOOD WEEK POT-LUCK ENJOYED

The Y-Teens held their annual Brotherhood Week Pot-Luck on February 22, 1949. A feature of the event was a movie entitled "The House I Live In", starring Frank Sinatra. Reverend Frier gave a short talk.

Gift boxes for girls in Germany were packed with hankies and face soap brought in by the girls. Also collected to be sent to two groups of twenty-five Y-Teens in Germany, were five boxes of cocoa, a First Aid Kit, candy, pencils, and two officers' notebooks.

The Pot-Luck party, which started at 6:00 p.m., broke up at 8:30 p.m.

be obtained. He left the members of the Forum with the memory of a good discussion which he had led himself.

CURIOUS, EH?

Yep, everyone is pondering these days, trying to secure an answer to the Junior Puzzle. "Why don't the Juniors play fair and give with some information concerning their play?"

That's very simple! The bright class doesn't know the answer to the puzzle, themselves! They are looking for the answer to the question that the whole school is asking: "What are we going to see?"

Shall we be allowed to explore "The House Nobody Lives In" or better yet, travel down "The Street of Dreams"?

Perhaps you playboys will learn a bitter lesson by seeing "He Couldn't Marry Five."

To help out the shy ones (like "Sober Dick," for instance) we might see "Henpecked Husband."

"Spring Fever" might also help: to teach a lesson to those who are so unsympathetic to the victims of spring!

For you unfortunate Teenagers (most of us, of course,) who are eager to learn the happiest time of your life, "Life Begins At Sixteen," might be offered.

Well, you are really curious now (we hope), so read the next issue for more information about the Junior Puzzle.

FORUM CONTINUES RECREATION STUDY

The Student Forum of the South Bend high schools will meet on March 3, at John Adams High School, to discuss the questionnaire on recreational likes and dislikes of students, which should have reached all students by now if unforeseen trouble has not come up. The members of the Forum are trying to solve the question being asked by students everywhere, "What is there to do?"

On Wednesday afternoon, February 9, the members discussed the results of the Student Forum Conference last spring. Dr. Robinson, who has been acting as adviser to the Forum, presented a manuscript report of every word which was spoken at the conference. From this he pointed out the value of good discussions and how they can

Patronage In W. H. S.

Have you ever heard of a patron? In the dictionary it says a "patron" is one who stands back of the work done by another. Why can't your homeroom become a patron of the Yearbook? All you have to do is sign a contract! It costs only \$4, meaning every member of a homeroom would have to give probably not over 20 cents, depending upon the size of the room.

Yet, think—if every homeroom would buy just one—how it would help the financial status of the Yearbook!

Someday, believe it or not, you will become a Senior and think how wonderful you'll feel knowing the underclassmen are behind you!

Let's make this more than just an idea to help the Seniors. Let's make it a Tradition to last as long as a Yearbook is published!

M. S.

P. S. In 123 you will find the person who thought of this memorable idea. You've guessed it—none other than our Miss Martindale.

WHAT HAVE WE?

Did you know we have a **Fleishaker**—but no fly swatter?

We have two **Wrights**—but no Wrongs!

Did you ever think that we have two **Nichols**—but not a dime?

Also, there is a **Wiseman**—but no dunce!

We have one **Flowers**—but no weeds!

We have a **Payne**—but no win-dow.

Should we have a **Stemm**—but no root?

We have a **Hill**—but no moun-tain.

We have a **Dhaene**—but no St. Bernard!

Could we have a **Stone**—but no rock?

We have three **Moore**s—but no less!

Did you know we have a **Rush**—who always crawls?

We have an **Arch**—but no door!

We have three **Mejers**—but no colonels!

Well, well! If we don't have a **Wells**! But where is water?

We have **DeCook**—but no de-dishwasher!

Should we have a **Newbill**—without an old bill?

We have a **Shine**—but no luster.

How can we have a **Block**—but no square?

We have a **Woods**—but no for-est.

We also have a **Frier**—but no broiler!

Better look out, for we have two **Kruks** in our school—in more ways than one! B.H.

LOSE SOMETHING?

If you have trouble losing things, you'll be glad to hear about the new Lost and Found Department made possible by the Student Council. All lost or found articles are to be reported to Sally Wawrzyniak, room 125, who is in charge of the department, and Rosemary Wroblewski, room 116, or Melvin Lesniewicz, room 205. A list of the articles will be posted regularly on the main bulletin board.

Hubby: "Thinking of me, dear-est?"

Wife: "Was I laughing? I'm sorry."

TAB-ON LIBRARY CLUB NEWS

Alas! It has happened. The long needed and awaited project in Washington School! Now the students will finally realize the valuable treasure we have stowed away. We'll not keep you in suspense. The Library Club has been officially organized.

On Friday, February 10, the Library Club elected its officers for the semester. They are as follows: President, Barbara Tschida; vice-president, Mildred Sanders; secretary, Ann Szucits; and treasurer, Adeline Ciesielski. The Library Club also has some new members. They are Jeanne Nagy, Dolly McGurdy, Sharon Swisher and Delphine Ziemiński. The club is really enthusiastic. It has plans for projects which will reveal the hidden gems in our library and introduce the students to the books in the library.

Take a tip and find the book to fit your mood, whether it be romantic, adventurous, or feeling for general knowledge.

The library has several new additions. They are as follows: "Long Portage", by Best. "Cynthia of Bee Town Hollow", by Fox. "Twenty Years A-Growing", by O'Sullivan. "Chesley Oak", by Sereby. "Patsy Jefferson of Monticello", by Vance.

7th AND 8th GRADES HONOR ST. VALENTINE

The seventh and eighth grades had a Valentine Party together in the Library Thursday, February 10. Several games were played and Valentines exchanged.

A short program was given by the following people:

An accordion solo—Carol Wentland.

Vocal solo—Joan Niblick.

Song—Eighth Grade girls.

Vocal solo—Robert Pieniazkie-wicz.

Refreshments were served in Room 124. The tables were attractively decorated with hearts and Valentine place cards.

Joan Scott.

Thoughts from Social Living Class

The idea of "doing your best for you have only one life," impressed me the most this first week of Social Living. Since we have been in a poetic mood throughout the week, I found that I could express myself better in a poetic manner.

*Perhaps I am only seventeen
Perhaps I'm still a little green.
Young, foolish and troublesome
Just as senseless as they come.*

*Yes, this is what I am and maybe worse,
To the older, wiser generation of this universe.
But be as it is, there is one thing I know,
My knowledge will always continue to grow.*

*I have a right to love or hate
To honor, trust, and appreciate.
Will-power is my greatest treasure;
Self-respect is for me to measure.*

*But above all this, one thought I cherish:
I must do my best before I perish.
So that I may stand before my God,
And proudly recall the path I have trod.*

*Perhaps things like this should not be said by me,
But one thing I have learned in Sociology
Is to speak what I think and believe
And never myself or others deceive.*
—Lillian Szabo.

Don't expect too much from your employees. If they were as smart as you want them to be, they might have better jobs with somebody else.

One of the most important elements in the fine art of being helpful consists in knowing when to keep out of the way.

PANTHERS SCHOOL TIES REVEALED

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Raymond Poznanski, was a member of the first high school graduating class and of Washington's first great football team.

Carol Wentland, 7A, says her mother, formerly Lillian Swartz, attended in 1929 and her father, Edmund Wentland, attended in 1929. Her mother is a sister of Ralph Swartz and a sister-in-law of Mrs. Swartz, Washington elementary teacher.

Pat Cesavice's mother, formerly Ella Gratzol, and her father, George Cesavice, attended Washington. Her uncle, Otto Gratzol, also attended Washington. Miss Martindale reports that she remembers all of them well.

This is a mere introduction to the Washington family. The HATCHET hopes to uncover and print many more interesting facts about it. We hope that through the co-operation of the student body, we may be able to learn more of those days "Way Back When."

UNIQUE HISTORIC SHRINE.

A westerner, on the occasion of his first visit to Boston, gave the following account of his sight-seeing adventures: "The bean-eaters had a sign on every corner. Here was a plate announcing that in this house John Hancock and John Quincy Adams spent the night on such and such a date. On the next corner a house will be plainly marked as the spot where the wife of General Warren died—to say nothing of markers along the route taken by the Continentals to Bunker Hill, etc. I was very much interested in Boston and rode all over the town, but was particularly interested in one house, out near the edge of the city, marked as follows: "This is the house that Paul Revere would have passed if he had gone this way."

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SPICE!

SOPHOMORE SPICE

It seems there is a mad rush for Luke. Isn't that right Annie, Virginia, Boose, Colette, and Margie?? Good Luck, girls!

Melvin L. enjoyed the sophomore party very much; especially since Janet G. was there.

The sophomore girls have been asking this question since school started: "Who are Krush, Granny, Malted, and Subby interested in?" Come on, boys, give the girls a chance.

Larry Olson certainly has a lot admirers. Rooms 203 and 110 are full of them!!

Comments on —

Sophomores' Square Dance

Upon being asked what they thought about the Sophomores' Square Dance, these teachers replied:

Mr. Pilarski: I had a lot of fun. (And why not? He and his wife showed us how to jitterbug.)

Mr. Byers: I liked the amount of participation. (Let's see! his wife was there too!)

Mr. Redling: Something different. (What's so different about the sophomore faces??)

Mr. Robinson: Eleven o'clock (Could that be the time the dance ended?)

Mr. Herringer: Everyone had a good time and behaved. (What, the sophomores behave?)

Mr. Covert: Where were the 137 pupils? I only counted 50.

CENTRAL REVUE SCORES BIG HIT

The Barnstormers of Central High School presented their eighth annual revue February 10, 11, and 12, and scored a great success. There was a packed house at every performance.

The revue was entitled "A-Musing" and had to do with the Greek Muses in the modern world. A highlight of the revue was when Euterpe, the Muse of Lyric Poetry, entered a ten cent store and began playing Viennese waltzes. Later a spell was cast over her and she began to play such music as the Sabre Dance.

Such hit songs as "Twelfth Street Rag," "Here I'll Stay," "What Did I Do," and "Fella With An Umbrella," were featured. Outstanding players were Barbara Molnar, Gloria Kemp, Dan Boyd, Jerry Freeman, and Elizabeth Toth. "A-Musing" was directed by Mr. James Lewis Cassaday.

The next high school revue will be given by the glee clubs of Washington High School on March 4 and 5.

Hey Fellows! What's Your Rating?

You might as well take a look at yourself to see. Every time you walk down the hall or into a class, other people are looking at you and rating what they see. Do they like what they see? Stop a minute! Consider some of these questions. Answer them and you will find out if they do. Answer them to yourself, of course—the rest of us already know the answers.

* * *

Now, about YOU?

1. Do you use plenty of soap and water every day? (Don't worry about your skin wearing out; it won't).
2. Do you cover ALL the ground, including your ears and the back of your neck? (The girl behind you gets a bird's-eye view.)
3. Do you use a good brush on your hands? (The oil from the shop is neither ornamental nor fragrant.)
4. How about a file on your nails—or do you favor the tooth-bitten style?
5. Do you try to hide behind a bushy hedge—or do you regularly exercise your razor?
6. DO you "scrub your teeth at least twice a day and see your dentist twice a year?"
7. That hair—is it shampooed often and does it glow WITHOUT a treatment with goo?
8. Do you pass the barber shop until you look like "the surrey with a fringe on top?"

About your Clothes:

1. Are your trousers creased—only where creases belong?
2. Do you think that one button only is needed—where the tail—or put three or four?
3. Have you brushed the "snow" off your shoulders? (After all, the brush manufacturers will fail if you don't use their product once in a while—say, every day).
4. Is your white apparel really white?
5. Do you realize that gym-clothes odor is not a fragrance?
6. Do you change socks and underwear every day? (They are made to take frequent washings).
7. How are your shoes? Still ornamented with December's mud and dust?
8. Do you always have a fresh handkerchief handy?

About your manners.

1. Do you do your grooming in your room before your date? (She is not interested in the nail-filing and haircombing technique.)
2. Do you expect your girl to put on her best—to walk down the street with a model with shirt out, tie missing, jacket at home?
3. Do you make sure that your dancing partner is not annoyed by bad breath?
4. Have you taken a look at your skin as close as the one your dancing partner will take? Does it pass?

(In the next issue of THE

CAN YOU QUALIFY?

(The following letter was recently received by Mr. Schoepel. Believing that many students might be interested, it was handed to THE HATCHET for publication.)

January 28, 1949

Mr. F. O. Schoepel, Principal
Washington High School
South Bend, Indiana

Dear Mr. Schoepel:

It occurred to me that you would be interested in knowing which of your former students hold scholarships at Purdue University during the current semester.

Name of Student
Robert Elgin Heck

Type of Scholarship
Cary

We hope you will continue to recommend for scholarships your superior students who plan to come to Purdue University. As you know, both scholastic ability and need of financial assistance are taken into consideration in making scholarship appointments involving a monetary award or remission of fees.

This year, for the first time, Purdue University will also award a limited number of Honorary Scholarships. These will be given to applicants who qualify on the basis of scholastic excellence and personal promise but who do not give evidence of need. Students who apply only for the Honorary Scholarship need not, of course, provide the financial data requested of other applicants.

Certificates will be awarded by the University to all prospective students who receive scholarships; these certificates will be sent to the principal for presentation to the students. The Committee hopes to announce scholarship awards sometime during the last two weeks of April.

If you have any questions concerning the scholarship program, please do not hesitate to write this office.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Jean Harvey
Executive Secretary
Committee on Scholarships

(Robert Heck is a graduate of the Class of 1943. In WHS he played football and basketball and maintained a high scholarship average. He is a marine veteran.

Boys and girls interested in scholarships to Purdue should see Miss Goppert.)

Slightly Mistaken.

The deacon was passing the plate in church when a woman hurried in, sat down, and put a coin in the plate as he passed her. By the time he reached the rear of the church, the woman came bustling past, grabbed her coin out of the plate, and rushed for the door. Surprised, the deacon dashed after her.

"Look here," he said, "why do you come in here, drop a coin on the plate, take it out again, and leave?"

The woman shook him off indignantly. "I'm in the wrong church," she said.

Aged.

A little fellow was visiting his uncle and grandfather.

"Uncle," he said, after his grandfather had left the room, "how old is grandpa?"

"I couldn't tell you," answered his uncle, "without looking it up in the family Bible."

"Oh!" gasped the child. "Is he old enough to be mentioned in the Bible?"

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HATCHET, the girls will get their "once-over" questions.) P.V.P.

Double Jolting

Panthers Lose Two Close Ones

On February 10, 1949, Mishawaka's gym was filled to its capacity with howling hardwood fans who were seeing Mishawaka trying to beat Washington and get a share of the conference title by doing so. The Cavemen did win and they did get a share of the conference title, but they were still dizzy after the final gun had sounded. The Cavemen won 51-49 and that score is a good indication of how the scoring went throughout the game. Although the Cavemen led throughout, the Panthers were usually only three to six points behind from the time when they trailed 6-12 to the 49-51 finish. Mishawaka led 47-41 at the automatic time out, but as the game went into its final minute, the score read 49-47 with Mishawaka on top. The clock showed thirty seconds remaining when Bob Ogorek swished a one-hander from corner court to tie the game at 49 all.

Then Neal Tracy became the hero of the game by picking up his own rebound, pivoting, and depositing the ball for two points and a victory. A last second desperation shot by Ken McGowan came close but—missed.

Two nights later the Panthers lost a one-point decision to North Side. The Panthers led throughout the game but faltered in the final minutes of the last frame. The loss could be laid to our unnecessary fouling and inaccuracy at the foul stripe. Jim Grant again had a great night against us and scored 24 points, most of them in the second half.

The team has now showed that they have what it takes to win a game and they have real possibilities for this sectional. They will win—if they have the will to win.

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HOME ROOM TOURNEY ANNOUNCED

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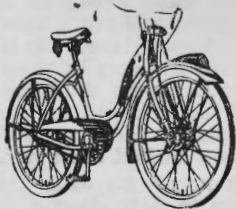
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Trail's End

Noon League Ends Season

The championship game for the noon league was played Wednesday, February 16. The teams playing were Don Wachowiak's League Leaders and John Niedosik's Deadbeats. The League Leaders were tabbed as the favorites; however, the Deadbeats proved to be troublesome and the score at the end of the first half was knotted at ten points apiece. The League Leaders then came back in the second half and poured nineteen points through the nets against a futile eight points by the Deadbeats. The final score read League Leaders 29, Deadbeats 18. High man on the victors books was Swartz with nine counters, while Rancheart got six for the losers.

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Poor Pop.

Father: "Yes, my boy, I'm a self-made man."

Son: "Gee, Pop, that's what I admire about you. You always take the blame for everything."

Some Sport.

"Fishing?"

"Nope. Just drowing worms."

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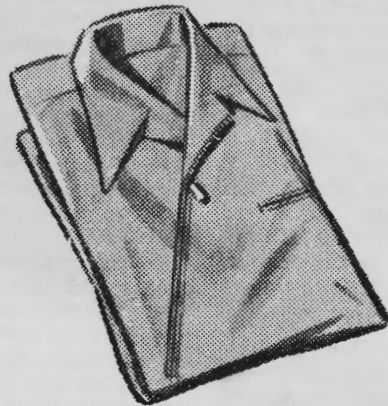
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