

W.H.S. Student For All of 13 Years

In September of 1947, Mr. Andre Bohannon entered what is now known as Lulu V. Kline School as a kindergartner. At that time it was Washington Elementary School and had a total enrollment of 600 pupils in the 13 grades. As he progressed along through his school career, the school became more crowded and each grade he left was then eliminated and sent to a grade school in the area.

"Peanut Gallery"

All the assemblies they attended were held in the auditorium. The younger children of the school sat in the balcony, later nicknamed the "peanut gallery" by Mr. McNamara. Often the younger ones were kidded and sent on wild goose chases by the upperclassmen but everyone realized that it was all in fun and regarded the older students as their big brothers and sisters.

King Pins

In 1955 when Mr. Bohannon's class finally reached the high school level, they considered themselves the "King Pins," however they were actually still the lowliest in the school for now the school had become Washington High School. The grades ranged from nine to twelve. Throughout his 4 years of high school his class was kept together. His homeroom was 126 and Mrs. Pagin, their "friend and mother" was his home-room teacher.

Graduated in '59

Mr. Bohannon's class contributed greatly to Washington both academically and athletically. In June of 1959 he graduated along with eleven others—the last to attend Washington for the entire thirteen years of their schooling.

Same Teachers

Some of the teachers that taught there during Mr. Bohannon's 13 years that are still teaching are: Miss Voll, Mrs. Cowan, Mr. Guin, Mr. Jones, Mr. Hallaron, Mr. Fitzhenry, Mrs. Duggan, Miss Murphy, Mr. Roggeman, Mr. Kapsa, Mr. Klaybor, Mr. Miller, Mr. Holley, Mr. Laweck, Mr. Gullifor, Mr. Henriott, Miss Hunsberger, Mr. Paradis, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Nowicki, Mr. Harsh, Mr. Ernst, Miss Phaff, Mr. Hock and Mr. Redling.

Some of Mr. Bohannon's fellow students are here now such as Mr. Forrest and Mr. Solmos. When Mr. Bohannon returned to teach at W.H.S. he found little change except the building. He found the school traditions and fine school spirit being carried on as always.

Cindy King

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NEW TEACHERS RELAXING — Left to right: Mrs. Niemeyer, Miss Jacobson, Miss Connolly and Mrs. Price.

NINETEEN NEW TEACHERS, RECORD NUMBER, JOIN WASHINGTON FACULTY THIS YEAR

Teachers asking students how to find rooms? YES! It's true, this year we have nineteen new teachers and they are almost as lost as the freshmen. Just think kids, nineteen new teachers! This is the largest number of new teachers ever enrolled at one time at Washington. We have gone to the new teachers and asked them a few questions so that you might get to know them better, but since there are so many of them we have decided to put this article into two issues.

One of the many new teachers is Miss McCollough. She teaches foods and clothing. This is Miss McCollough's first year of teaching although she was a student teacher at Washington last year. Miss McCollough spent the summer at her home in Lapaz. Her main interests are cooking, horse back riding, bowling and bridge. She graduated from Ball State last June.

Another new teacher is Mr. Carter who teaches algebra, geometry and general math. This summer Mr. Carter went to summer school at Indiana State and he also worked as a life guard after summer school. Mr. Carter plans to go back to school and work on his M. S. He was a student teacher at Delphi, Indiana. He enjoys swimming, wrestling and golfing.

Then we have Mrs. Price, who teaches advanced clothing. She has just moved here from Buffalo, New York. Mrs. Price taught in Buffalo and also Michigan. She attended Michigan State and has her B. S. and M. A. Her plans are just to get acquainted here at Washington and make a

home. Her main interest is boating. This summer she and her husband took their boat to Holland, Michigan.

This year we have quite a few new English teachers. One of them is Miss Connolly. She teaches sophomore and junior English. Miss Connolly was a student teacher at Washington last year also. She graduated from St. Mary's College. Miss Connolly spent her summer in school. Her main interests are music, swimming and reading.

Another new English teacher is Miss Jacobson who teaches freshmen and senior English. She is a graduate of Adams High School here in South Bend. She also graduated from St. Mary's College. This summer she taught in summer school. She has taught in Florida and also at Central as a student teacher. Miss Jacobson's main interests are reading, sewing and cats.

The boys have a new sponsor for their Ushers Club. He is Mr. Van Der Heyden. He teaches community civics and U. S. History. This summer he taught at John Adams. His future plans are getting his M.S. and teaching in college. Mr. Van Der Heyden was a student teacher at Riley and he attended Ball State. His main interests are reading and U. S. History.

Another new English teacher is Miss Burlick who teaches French. She attended Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia and studied at Notre Dame. Miss Burlick was a student teacher at John Adams. This summer she went to her home in New Jersey. Her plans are to go on

teaching and maybe take another trip to Europe. Miss Burlick's main interests are art, music, dancing and drama.

Another new geometry teacher is Miss Gisleson who also teaches algebra. This summer she went to Wisconsin State. Her future plans are to complete her M. S. Miss Gisleson graduated from St. Mary's here in South Bend. She was a student teacher at Hammond High School and she has also taught at South Beloit, Illinois.

Last but not least we have Mrs. Niemeyer who will teach sophomore and junior English. She was a student teacher at Orville High School in Ohio and she also taught at the Army Education Center in Germany. Her future plans are to go on teaching. Mrs. Niemeyer attended the College of Wooster and was married in the summer.

Kathy Stickly

EXCHANGE STUDENTS TO ATTEND SENIOR CLASS PICNIC

On September 22, the Senior Class Officers, the Booster Club, and the Student Council will sponsor a class picnic, potluck style, at Rum Village Park beginning at 4:00 P.M. The Senior Class, the sponsors and their families, the office staff, and the Foreign Exchange Students, who are the guests of honor, are all invited to attend. Cindy King is chairman, Christine Zalejski, working for Student Council, is in charge of the food, and Sue VanParis is in charge of reservations.

STUDENT COUNCIL DANCE THIS SAT.

Drama Club to Inact "Lost Horizons"

The Drama Club, under the direction of Mr. John Toth, is in the process of planning a dramatic production this fall. They have chosen the play "Lost Horizons", which is the story of intriguing and mysterious Shangri-La. A group of people are kidnapped and taken to this ideal land and learn its hidden secrets.

Try-outs for the production will be held September 25 and 26 at 3:20 in the auditorium. Anyone interested is urged to attend and read for a part. There are seven male and seven female parts open.

The play, by James Hilton, will be presented the first week in November. Mr. Toth will direct the show and Christine Zalejski will be Assistant Director.

Picnic Honors Exchange Students

On August 31, the Washington High School P.T.A. sponsored a picnic honoring its South American exchange students, Maria Breedy of Ecuador and Helvio Pena of Brazil.

The picnic, held at the home of Mrs. Henry Stafford, was attended by Mr. McNamara, W.H.S. principal, as well as friends of the respective families of Paul Smogor and Linda Matthews, this year's A.F.S. hosts.

During the event, Washington students demonstrated the typical dances of the American teen-ager, and in turn, were introduced to South American dancing.

The guests at the affair became well-acquainted with Helvio and Maria. They agreed that there is a need for more familiar relationships with our South American neighbors.

BUY THE PENCILS

The officers of the Hi-Y urge all of the student body to buy Panther's football schedule pencils. Any boy wishing to join the Hi-Y will meet at their next meeting, to be held in the near future. Initiation will be held some time in November. This year's officers of the Hi-Y are as follows: Dennis Banicki-President, Eddie Akers-Vice President, Rich Tomaszewski-Secretary, Roger Chrastil-Treasurer, Tom Kmita-Parliamentarian, and Larry Kase-Chaplain.



"Jinx watch where you're landing, you almost clobbered a little stub of a freshman with your chubby wings!!!"

"It's just not safe to drop down from cloud 9 this year without bumping into some poor soul. These crowded halls are too much for me."

"But Jinx, the halls come in handy for some people at times. I notice Barb W. goes out of her way to collide into Stan R. This is a clever technique but not so original, others are using it too."

"Glancing around we see Judy K. and Mike H., Mouse and Duck, Cheryl K., and Pat K., Linda V. P., Jim Laskowski and Sharon F. and Geoff C., still making their way down the halls together."

"I also see some lonesome souls with blank expressions on their faces. The crowded halls seem empty for Barb S., Dodie K., Joyce J., and Pat M., without Kazy, Slackie, Sinker, and Big Roz."

"What????"

"Don't panic Jinx, these are only their nicknames."

"I was just practicing my ESP, Dinx and I found out that Mary Lou B. and Chris C. are out to get a certain 'Jake' and Mike S., respectively. Watch out boys!!!!"

"Sue T. has her eyes opened wide for our own Larry Gillen. Good Luck Sue, maybe you should take up football?"

"Why does Teena C. attend so many dances on Friday nights?" Could it be a certain singer—Vince? Oh well, "Keep Twistin, Teena."

"Why is Paul G. hiding in the halls this year? Oh no, is Nancy S. after him again?"

"Dinx, here comes some Freshmen. Let's watch them. I see Karen Kearney has her

eyes opened for someone in her third hour Civics class."

"Alright Jinx, hand over those sunglasses, it's my turn to use them. Here comes Jill A. and Janie W. flashing their diamonds through the air."

"Keep those sunglasses handy Dinx, I know Willie Coates is bound to wear his bright orange sweater, again."

"Pat Van Autreve is on her way up to cloud 9 with us Jinx, her wish has finally come true. Dave K. asked her out."

"Jeannette, what are you going to do when July rolls around? Buy a sombrero, and leave with Brazilian friend?"

"Boy Jinx, those two can dance up a storm. Did you tune in on them last Friday night at a dance?"

"Yea, Dinx. And I noticed a lot more newsy little items at that dance. I noticed Pat Varrance is sporting a certain guitar player's ring. Bonnie Krill was trying her hardest to teach an awful cute guy to dance. Who was that?"

"Well, if you don't know, I'm sure not gonna tell you!"

Did you hear Sharon B. is goin' steady with John Lukaczewski? They sure look happy."

Calling All Cars!

Calling all cars! Calling all cars! Report to the senior class car wash as soon as possible.

This was the very popular call of all seniors on August 31, September 7, and Sept. 14, when they sponsored car washes to raise money toward the purchase of meat for the picnic, which will be held for Maria and Helvio.

The Senior Class along with the Student Council and the Booster Club are planning this picnic as a welcome to our exchange students.

The D. X. Service Station by Azars was the scene for the car washes on Aug. 31, Sept. 7, and one on Sept. 14. The other one which was sponsored on Sept. 14 was held at Max's Service Station on Sample Street.

Sharon Paldowski and Christine Zalejski were in charge of getting the people to work at the car washes.

Say you saw it in
THE HATCHET

EDITORIAL

IS THERE A SOLUTION?

Do you find yourself late for many of your classes this year? Many students do and the cause is the congestion in the halls. If you do not have to fight through the crowds in the 600-700 hall intersection sometime during the day, chances are you make it to class with time to spare.

However, students having to elbow their way thru this mess have little time to stop at their lockers or go to the rest room between classes.

With the enlargement of the school and the huge enrollment this year, allowance should be made for the five minutes we are restricted to. A seven minute break would be ideal for the majority involved. This could be arranged in either of two ways: 1. Cut off two minutes from each class, including lunch or 2. Arrange for each class to be regular length and have school extend 10 or fifteen minutes over the present dismissal time.

Freshmen do not know, but you Sophomores, Juniors and especially Seniors probably remember how great it was to be able to get to a class without practically breaking your neck in doing so. However, the shape that things are in this year, this thought is impossible.

So students and faculty, let's hear your views on this subject.

Eileen Quinn

With Our Own Mr. Hoffman In Russia

By PAT PIECHOSKI

On June the eighth, Washington High School's Russian language teacher, Mr. Jerome Hoffman, arrived in the Soviet Union to begin a ten week's summer study at Moscow University.

Mr. Hoffman was one of the 25 Russian teachers in the United States to be chosen for this summer seminar.

The program consisted of 34 hours of class work each week with six hours each week day and four hours on Saturday. The subject matter dealt with advanced Russian grammar, conversation, and literature, the geography and history of the Soviet Union, and the background of the Russian educational and political systems. Frequently, expeditions were organized to introduce students to the museums, theatres, and other areas of local Soviet culture.

Throughout the summer, Mr. Hoffman became well acquainted with the inhabitants of Moscow, and on August the 26th he returned to the United States with a broader understanding of Soviet living.

In addition to supplementing his Russian language skills, the Moscow summer se-

minar taught Mr. Hoffman even more effective methods of teaching Washington High School students.

Students Attend Girls' & Boys State

This summer, two outstanding seniors, Cindy King and Randy Warniers, represented Washington High School at the annual Girls' and Boys' State, which is sponsored by the American Legion. Students from all over Indiana met at Bloomington with the purpose of developing citizenship through the study of state government.

Actual campaigning and elections for offices were held. (At Girls' State, Cindy was elected both precinct chairman and state representative.) The girls had an opportunity to observe the Bloomington City Council in session. Also on the program was a talk by Governor Welsh. A similar schedule was followed by Randy at Boys' State.

Many wonderful memories plus a lot of fun make an experience these students will never forget.

Old Plus the New

This year the Washington-Riley Roundup will not only include Washington and Riley students but also W.H.S. classes of 1938-42. The class of '38 is having its 25th anniversary and will celebrate it by sponsoring an "Over 21" reunion which will include classes through the year of 1942. This group of 500 is expected to be at the game and will have a special section reserved for them. At half time the captains of previous Panther squads will be introduced.

The next morning a 10:00 program is scheduled which will include the presentation of each class, a tour of the new school by the present faculty and students, a luncheon in the cafeteria, and a skit from each class. That same night there will be a dance at Robert's Supper Club which will give more time for the renewing of acquaintances.

On Sunday morning there is going to be a memorial Mass at a local church for the deceased members of the faculty and class.

Mr. Ervin Kalka, manager of the First Bank and Company, chairman of this group, expressed his gratitude to Mr. McNamara as well as Mrs. Combs for their services. The profits from this reunion will be returned to the school for its use.

Jolanta Szumial

New Devices for Better Use

There have been many new discoveries lately in every field of Biology and since the students are required to keep up on these new discoveries they need new equipment. Well, the students of Washington High School don't need to worry about this because they now have the best the school can offer. This year the school purchased three new devices which are in room 718. One of these is the **climatarium** which grows plants and is under automatic control of temperature as well as light. It also controls the type, amount and the time of light that it gets. The **autoclave** which is used to sterilize media upon which bacteria and drosophila are grown. It is also used to sterilize dishes, test tubes, etc. We've also obtained an **incubator** which controls temperature for optimum bacterial growth. These were all purchased for the student to understand more fully what he is to learn and study.

Jolanta Szumial

BEAT
ADAMS

SEPTEMBER

20—Pep Assembly 2:45 P.M. Sixth hr. will be cut.

Washington vs. John Adams, 8:00, Here

25—Try-outs for "Lost Horizons" Aud. 3:20

Junior Achievement Assembly for Juniors and Seniors, 9:00-9:30.

26—Washington-Riley Round Up?

26—Try-outs for "Lost Horizons" Aud. 3:20.

27—Pep Assembly 2:45 P.M. Fifth hr. will be cut.

Car caravan 6:30

Washington vs. Riley, 8:00, There

28—Y-Teen dance.

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W.H.S. DRAMA CLUB LOOKS FORWARD TO A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Looking forward to a very prosperous year is Washington High's Drama Club. The first official board meeting, under the direction of Mr. Toth, was held September 12. This year's board members are: Cynthia King, President; Donna Plencner, Secretary; Paul Smogor, Marcia Moody, Howard Rzeszewski, Jim Hicks, Marlene Righter, and Mike Langsdorf.

Mr. Toth announced that this year's first production will be held November 6th and 7th, and in the event of Washington participating in the football conference playoff, the 7th and 8th. There are several possibilities of the plays to be given. Among them are **Lost Horizon** and **The Night of January Sixteenth**. Tryout will be September 25th and 26th.

Mr. Toth plans to fill the gap between the first play and the spring production with a series of one act plays given by his speech classes and by members of the Drama Club. To end the season, the club plans to present a musical in connection with the Glee Club. This production will be presented in mid-May.

At present the Drama Club is interested in its reorganization and new memberships. On Wednesday, September 18 an organizational meeting was held for upperclassmen. On

FUTURE HEALTH CAREERS CLUB PLANS YEAR

The Future Health Careers picnic as a welcome to our ex-ember 17. It was mainly an organizational meeting, during which plans were made for future field trips and other projects at Christmas and Thanksgiving.

The membership drive, which has been going on for a while, will be continued through October 15. Dues, which are fifty cents, must be in by this date. The Club has the same sponsor they had last year, Mrs. Dorothy Bixler of the St. Joseph County Medical Auxiliary. The school advisor is Mrs. Shahin, the school nurse. Meetings will be held the third Tuesday of every month.

the following day a meeting of the same sort was held for freshmen and all others interested in joining the club. Sue Bronstetter

TROPHIES ADORN SHOWCASES.

Have you ever noticed the trophies Washington High School has won? In the years of athletic competition and other activities, we have been awarded 34 trophies which are located in the trophy showcase near the gym.

The football team has won the largest number—fifteen, dating from 1937-1962. Seven trophies each belong to the baseball and basketball teams. Each of the following activities have one to their credit: Music Department, Fisher Body, Swimming Team, Outstanding Cheer Leader and Homeroom Volley Ball.

So you see Washington students have much to be proud of.

W.H.S. Latin Club Keeping Busy

The Latin Club is really getting a good start this year by planning many new activities. The most important event being planned is a field trip to Indianapolis, when the state legislature will be in session, and to Chicago. The meetings are more interesting this year also because there many new speakers and the members are getting more acquainted and beginning to support their constitution. The new officers for this year are:

President.....Howard Rzeszewski
Vice-President.....Sharon Pejza
Social Chairman.....Jim Hildebrand
Secretary.....Richard Krueger
Sgt.-at-arms.....Bill Szechowski
Treasurer.....Suann Zwierzynski

ALUMNI MEETING

On Saturday, September 28, an alumni meeting will be held for the first five graduating classes of Washington High School. Lunch will be served in the WHS cafeteria followed by a dance later in the evening.

Female Becomes Drum Major

Having lost last year's drum major by graduation Washington's band was faced with the task of finding someone to replace Tom Wruble. Last spring the directors, Richard Lovin and Gerald Ollman, held tryouts which were open to any interested band member. Pat Szymczak, of the many who tried out, was awarded the position.

Pat, the first girl drum major Washington has had for many years, is a sophomore. She has been twirling for four years and marched with the band as a twirler last season. She is the holder of twenty-five individual twirling awards. Besides playing the trombone in concert band Pat also finds time to take active part in Drama Club and in writing for the HATCHET.

The band sent Pat to the Smith-Walbrige Camp for Drum Majors this past summer so that she could better acquaint herself with her job and learn new ideas to make this years band better than ever. Let's all get behind Pat and the band and really let them know how much we appreciate what they do for our school.

Connie Bickel



Majorette
PAT SZYMCHAK

DISCORDANT NOTES

Little Blue Riding Hood

Last June, Little Blue Riding Hood graduated from the eighth grade. She enjoyed a very happy summer anticipating the beginning of her freshman year. September came and everything was fine. Then poor Little Blue didn't know what happened. She went to her first hour civics class, as usual, but when nine o'clock came and she tried to get to her locker she was stunned. On the corner of the eight and nine hundred halls there was mass confusion. It looked as if a fight was going on. Little Blue was scared, but that was the way she had to go so she proceeded cautiously.

As she approached the end of the corridor she could clearly see what was happening. It was a battle! About fifty

students were fighting, to get across the hall. So our little Blue did as the others, she pushed her way through. She may have poked a few pupils and lost a notebook, but, "Gee, that was fun," she said.

Day after day this kept occurring. Whoever walked on the right side of the hall was crazy! They were missing all of the fun!

Finally, Little Blue got hit in the arm by someone's huge notebook, but as she turned she ran right into another student and then she began to wonder, "How many people have I hit this week?"

Now Little Blue keeps to the right side of the hall. Are you doing the same?

Student Council Activities

The first meeting of Student Council for 1963-64 was called to order by our new president, Dennis Banicki, at 9:05

We briefly discussed the Riley-Roundup which will be Friday, September 27. The president also appointed two committees, one in charge of the cafeteria and the other in charge of rules.

Next Mr. Ernst talked to the Council about the duties and responsibilities of each individual member. He then gave a brief summary of what the Student Council is responsible for each year. They are: for raising money, American Field Service, Riley-Roundup, student exchange day, conduct in assemblies and elsewhere in school, promoting better relations between faculty and student body, and solving any problems which might arise during the year.

The freshmen are not invited to Student Council until the fourth week of school, so that they can get better acquainted with the school and students before they have to represent their class.

The members were then dismissed into groups to elect a student that will represent each class at a steering committee meeting each month. They are: Dave Leeper (Sr.) Rick Kruger (Jr.) Mike Klaybor (Soph.)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35. Barb Schrader, Sec'y

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