

FOUR YODLER STAFF MEMBERS DRIVE TO HERSHEY

Attend P. S. P. A. Convention

Elizabeth Thomas, Christine Smith, William Trindle, and Freeman Fullerton will represent the Yodler staff at the tenth birthday convention of the Pennsylvania School Press Association, to be held December 27 and 28 at Hershey, Pennsylvania.

At the meeting to be held on Friday, the twenty-seventh, staff members will hear William B. Haskell, assistant to the president of the New York Herald Tribune, speak on "Lessons from a Big Daily" and J. Milnor Dorey of the New York Times discuss "The Right Use of Newspaper Education."

On Saturday, the delegates will take part in clinics, panel discussions, and sectional conferences conducted by the leaders of high school journalism. Publications from all over the state will be displayed for observation and comparisons.

Hershey, called "The Chocolate Town", is an excellent place in which to hold such a convention of young people. The famous Hershey hotel itself is proclaimed by some as the most elegant hotel found from coast to coast.

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Raymond Spuhler Returns Home

Is a Patient in Hospital

Raymond Spuhler, who broke his leg in a football game playing for Staunton Military Academy on December 11, is now in the Mercy Hospital where his leg was reset for the third time and a new cast put on.

It will take several weeks for the leg to heal and "Hap" probably won't return to school again until spring. He is suffering intensely because of the resetting of his leg. In a few days he will be removed to his home where he will remain until he is able to return to Staunton.

"Hap" played on W.U.Y.H.S. varsity football and basketball teams during his two years in high school. He received a scholarship to Staunton Military Academy and is one of the stars on its grid team.



THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT CHRISTMAS

There's something about Christmas
mas
When the world is very gay,
With pyramids of gifts and cards
In sparkling, white array—
There's something about the
atmosphere
Which seems to me to say:
"Tho the whole world's celebrating,
It has lost true sight to-day."
For there's something in the
Christmas time

Which can't be said with gifts;
It's meaning lies too deep for
words
Engraved on cards of bliss.
Those few who know "the greater
Peace"
Can understand this thought;
To those who search the Christmas
mas' joy
Comes' wealth that can't be
bought!

Christine E. Smith

German Class Goes Native

Holds Novel Party December 18

When Mary has a tea party or when Johnny holds a stag party that's not news. But when a German class holds a party, well, that's different; that is news.

Such an affair was held Wednesday, December 18, by the first and second year German students in the gymnasium. The gay German atmosphere predominated with the German Band's lively selections, and everyone singing Christmas Carols in German. "Bill" Robinson attempted to dial a few German stations abroad. Authentic German refreshments of cakes and candy, made by the girls, were served.

Football Banquet Attended By 148 Enthusiasts

Everhardus, Is Main Speaker; Cramer Is Toastmaster

Over 140 football fans, players, and parents attended the annual football banquet held in the cafeteria last Tuesday evening at 6:30. The program and dinner were well planned by Miss Witt and Mr. Engh. The German band and Mary Edith Crichton, pianist, furnished the music.

Mr. Harry Cramer, former Johnstown High School coach and now an insurance agent in the city, was the toastmaster of the evening. He was introduced by Mr. Engh.

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GALA AFFAIR TO BE HELD TONIGHT

Seniors Sponsor Semi-Formal Dance

To Have Elaborate Decorations

The two-week Christmas vacation will be officially opened tonight with the Christmas dance sponsored by the seniors. The dance promises to be one of the outstanding social events of the school year.

A large crowd of alumni, as well as students, is expected, for invitations have been sent out to some one hundred and fifty ex-grads.

The decoration committee has been working hard for the past two weeks on the unique and novel decorations. A low woven ceiling of red and green crepe paper and a veritable forest of evergreens will be used in "dressing up the gym." Hundreds of colored lights will flicker and sparkle throughout the evening. One of the main features of the decorations will be a huge bunch of mistletoe hanging over the center of the floor.

The music for the affair will be furnished by Fremont Bearner and his newly organized orchestra.

Holiday Movies

Cambridia and State

"The Tale of Two Cities": Ronald Colman as Sidney Carton.

"Follow the Fleet": Ginger Rogers, Fred Astaire combination in another superb musical.

"Captain Blood": Swordplay and intrigue a la Sabatini.

"Ceiling Zero": James Cagney and Pat O'Brien at it again; this time an aviation picture.

"Rose Marie": Nelson Eddy and Jeanette McDonald together again—'nough said.

"Ah Wilderness": Barrymore in Eugene play called, by those who know, "Warner Brothers' Christmas gift to the theatre."

Embassy

"The Little Rebel": Shirley Temple, everybody's favorite a tale of the South in Civil times.

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THE MADONNA PAINTINGS

At this season of the year one's attention is often turned to paintings of the madonna and the Child. We accept them, but some of us little realize their importance in the history of art.

The early madonnas were painted as quaint little figures and the Christ Child was a miniature old man. Artists had not learned the technique of more natural painting and of perspective; besides, their reverence of the madonna was so great that they dared not treat the subject naturally or intimately.

It was not until the thirteenth century that Italian artists broke away from this formal rendering to paint more beautiful and more natural madonnas. Cimabue was one of the earliest painters of madonnas. Fra Lippo Lippi was one of the first to portray the madonna and the Child as a natural representation of the drape-ry.

A student of Lippi, Botticelli, brought more beauty into his paintings. With Da Vinci the madonnas become more life-like and lovely. But Raphael, probably the greatest of all madonna painters, reached a far higher standard.

During Raphael's short life of thirty-seven years he painted more madonnas than did any other painter. One of his masterpieces, purity, dignity, and originality, is one of the most favored pieces of the ages.

To do a perfect portrait of a group has always been and always will be the inspiration of artists.

GREETINGS!

I'm not sure how much of the true significance of the birth of a little Child in a Bethlehem manger, two thousand years ago, enters into our thoughts during the Christmas season. We cannot be entirely ignorant of the event and the incidents surrounding it, because we are reminded of them every year as we approach and enter the season.

However, I am glad for Christmas no matter what significance is attached to it. If it means nothing more than a period when we forget self and think kindly and unselfishly of others, it would be entirely worth-while. Evidence that we do that is everywhere apparent. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could carry more of the Christmas spirit throughout the year?

I am happy for this opportunity to extend to the teachers and the students of our schools my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

WILLARD E. ACKLEY
Supervising Principal

THREE DOLLARS

You, Miss High-School Girl, could do a lot with three dollars. You could buy four pair of stockings, a Christmas hat, scarfs, jewelry, cosmetics, or blouses. You, too, Mr. High School Boy, could use the money for socks, ties, shirts, a sweater, the pins, or belts. And believe it or not, that three dollars is easy to get.

All you need to do is follow Elizabeth Anderson's example, send a sentence to Reader's Digest for its "Picturesque Speech" column and receive the three dollars offered by that magazine. Any clever thought like "He looked like an accident going somewhere to happen," or "Tears didn't effect Mr. Bumble, his heart was waterproof" might bring the coveted cash.

Especially resplendent with picturesque phrases are the works of the classic authors like Dickens, Stevenson, De Maupassant, Poe, and Shakespeare. Careful attention while reading book reports or assigned subject matter in any course may show you a passage that will bring you the money as a Christmas present.

THE UNPREPARED SENIOR

Not so many years ago at the Junior-Senior Prom a senior boy spent his entire time playing with a balloon. He tossed it up in the air and caught it, tossed it up again, over and over, all evening. He had been an A-B student, yet he neither danced, played cards, nor cared to carry on a conversation with anyone; but in a laughing and totally unselfconscious manner HE BOUNCED A BALLOON. Obviously he lacked social contacts and the ability to be at home at a social gathering.

The happiness of college undergraduates and the later happiness of those who do not go away to school depends, largely, on their ability to get to know people, behave well socially, and to fit themselves gracefully into any social experience.

Some students lack this faculty. Unless one is invited to big parties, as few of us are, there are few chances to acquire this social ease. Noon dances, "gym jams," and class parties are arranged by class organizations for just this purpose. Those especially backward along this line should attend all school functions, and do so while they are still lower classmen.

The Christmas dance, given tonight, furnishes such an opportunity. Take advantage. ARE YOU GOING TO BE A BALLOON BOUNCER? OR A PREPARED SENIOR?

CLASS PRESIDENT NAMES COMMITTEE FOR CLASS PLAY

Freeman Fullerton, junior class president, has chosen a committee of six to select a class play which, according to the school calendar is to be presented on May 1.

The committee consists of Anna Ferg, Helen Kerr, Elizabeth Thomas, Edward Depp, William Trindle, and Thomas Rial, who are reading many plays from which they will select one best suited to the standards and requirements of former high school plays.

The Ring

By Robert Mercer

It was Christmas Eve. A worried young man passed Murphy's Five and Ten, paused, and returned to shoulder his way through the holiday throng. He was an exceedingly worried young man. In his pocket was one thin dime. For weeks he had saved to get the price of a bit of costume jewelry which his wife coveted. It had been a struggle on his salary, but he had finally laid by ten dollars. For several weeks it had reposed undisturbed beneath the paper, lined his handkerchief drawer. Then the fatal poker game.

He had taken the money along "just in case," and, well, he now had one thin dime. He had once heard one of his wife's friends say that Five and Ten costume jewelry was just as effective as any other kind. He'd have to chance it.

As he forced his way through the pushing, surging mob he noticed another very worried young man, a seedy looking fellow with thick, horn-rimmed glasses. Obviously he was as uncomfortable as young Thompson himself, and cast furtive glances about as though fearful of being seen. Poor devil, perhaps he too had a wife on his conscience. The man hesitated at the jewelry counter then passed on without buying anything.

Fred appraised the assortment of jewelry with some surprise. Many pieces were very good imitations of the better type of costume jewelry. From beneath a disordered pile tossed up by many inquisitive hands he found a ring with a blue stone like which there were no others. That was a break. At least she wouldn't walk in some day and see the same thing under that miserable sign "10c each." He parted with
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MR. JULIUS C. ECKEL

Mr. Julius C. Eckel, who died December 9, became a member of the Westmont School Board when he served out the term of Dr. Frank G. Sharmon, who resigned from the board October 1, 1934. At the last election Mr. Eckel was elected to the board but was not formally installed at the reorganization meeting, December 2, because of the illness that caused his death. Two of his three children graduated from this high school. Margaret, the third child, is teaching Spanish at the Chambersburg high school. Virginia is attending Wilson College where she has been tennis champion for two years. Earl, graduate of University of Pittsburgh is working in Johnstown.

LINES FROM OUR OWN HISTORY

Helena of Troy—"So this is Paris."

Noah—"It floats."

Samson—"I'm strong for you, kid."

Queen Elizabeth to Sir Walter Raleigh—"Keep your shirt on."

Jonah—"They can't keep a good man down."

David—"The bigger they come the harder they fall."

Columbus—"I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way."

Diozenes—"I'd walk a mile—" John Mack

MARY EDITH CRICHTON IS GUEST WITH WELL KNOWN PERSONAGES

Mary Edith Crichton and her father left Johnstown on Friday night, December 13, to attend a dinner given in honor of Mr. Crichton's brother, Kyle Crichton, at his home in Long Island, New York. The dinner was given as a farewell to Mr. Kyle Crichton, who is being sent by the Collier's Magazine to Hollywood, for six weeks, to interview movie stars and directors.

Mr. Kyle Crichton is a popular writer of many humorous articles published in Collier's and other magazines. Most of his articles have been interviews with celebrities.

Other well known guests attending the banquet were Mr. and Mrs. George Seidls. Mr. Seidls has traveled extensively as a correspondent and has recently had several books published, one of which is "Freedom of the Press." His writings have made him well known in large literary circles in the United States and abroad.

WESTMONT-U. Y. FIVE TO PLAY ALUMNI

On Friday, December 27, the varsity basketball team will encounter its first competition in the Alumni team.

Although the actual line-up of the "old grads" is not known, it will probably consist of such men as Hannan, Kunkle, Kaminsky, Marshall, Neafach, Wagner, and Wilner.

The complete varsity line-up has not been announced, but possibly it will be made up of Cohick, Grove, Little, Owen and Woods with such other possibilities as Caddy, Chaplain, Davis, Dutko, Engh and Price.

MR. McILNAY TURNS NIMROD

Bags Assortment of Game

Mr. McInay has been hunting very successfully in Bedford county every Saturday except two since the opening of hunting season.

Mr. McInay reports that he has bagged, to date, fourteen rabbits, five quail, three grouse, three woodcocks, and two squirrels.

He said "I went deer hunting one day at a place where, on the day before, five hundred deer had been shot. This day, however, there were a thousand hunters at the same place and not one deer was even seen, let alone shot. I would pick that day".

DEBATE CLUB WORKS ON "SOCIALIZED MEDICINE"

Every Tuesday afternoon the Debate Club meets with the debate coach, Miss Roberta Williams. The club members are reading up on material in preparation for the Forensic League Debates, which will take place among the various high schools sometime during the second semester.

The subject for debate this year is "Resolved, That the several states should enact legislation providing for a system of complete medical service available to all citizens at public expense." This medical service is known as "socialized medicine."

Early in the semester, practice debates were worked out and presented before the club members.

FOOTBALL BANQUET
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The guest speaker of the evening was Mr. Everhardus, assistant coach of Penn State, who was an All American on the 1933 Michigan football team. He spoke on the physical and social benefits derived from football.

As first speaker on the program, Mr. Ackley, supervising principal, compared the fortunes of this year's team with those of last year.

John Grove, the captain of this year's team, then thanked the Athletic Association for its support, both financial and moral. He also thanked his team mates for their fine cooperation and commented on the fighting spirit of his fellow players. In conclusion he said, "Last year we dished it out and this year we had to take it, so I think my football diet is well balanced."

Coach Siegel thanked Doctor Ideson for the medical care he gave to players. He too commented on the fine spirit of the boys.

Mr. E. Arthur James, president of school board, then presented the awards to the following boys: Captain John Grove, William Carrol, Eugene Riek, Robert Wagner, Robert Warren, Paul Reinholz, James Brickner, Barnett Bowser, Sheldon Ringler, Richard Bernhoff, Percy Hershberger, Barney Mishler, Samuel Nolan, Harry Rodgers, Julius Little, Harry Tredenick, Robert Harley, Vincent Yarnivick, and Harry Allendorfer, manager.

Twenty-two girls from the home economics department served the dinner. The menu consisted of fruit cocktail, turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, cranberry sauce, ice cream and cake.

WHO IS SHE?

The greatest enthusiast over the football banquet . . . short, plump . . . distinguished grey hair . . . greatest pleasure, being with her granddaughter, Delores . . . usually seen in the cafeteria at noontime . . . knows all the "latest" . . . famous for her ability to keep things "red up" . . . always willing to leave her work to help students . . . pretends she's gruff, but really isn't. We like her.

The answer to last issue's "Who is She?" is Anne Moore. To "Who is He?" is John Grove.

MISS GREER'S CIVICS CLASSES STUDY VOCATIONS

Library Shelves Offer Wide Information

Miss Elizabeth Greer's civics classes are devoting a unit of work to vocations. Miss Margaret Greer has placed on reserve in the library books containing valuable information describing occupations and the personal qualities necessary for those occupations. Information about colleges, their requirements, expenses, and specialties has also been laid out. A bibliography of books containing vocational information has been drawn up. This information is available to upper classmen as well as to freshmen.

"Look, the trees are leaving!"
"Yes, but how did you know?"
"Can't you see their trunks?"

"Columbus was a farmer."
"Yeah?"

"He plowed the seas and planted his foot on American soil."

"I'm developing my muscles."
"So that you can get more girls?"

"Yes, so I'll no longer be afraid of their fathers."

"Dick" Dippy was put in an insane asylum last week."
"Yes, and I gave him a piece of my mind before he went."

"Oh, I think he'd have been admitted anyway."

Teacher: "What do you know about Czecho-Slovakia?"
Pupil: "It's hard to say."

YODLER STAFF
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Mrs. W. R. Thomas, Jr., mother of Elizabeth Thomas, will drive the Yodler representatives to Hershey. The delegates will stay at the Hershey Inn over Friday night and will leave for home Saturday night after a banquet for all convention guests.

WHO IS HE?

A tall, elderly man . . . grey hair . . . hazel eyes . . . when "dressed up" wears a becoming grey suit . . . favorite hobby, singing, especially in the church choir . . . usually seen near the time . . . usually seen near the auditorium listening to the strains of music . . . greatest pleasure, the recent marriage of his son . . . weakness, chewing tobacco . . . known for his friendly ways and understanding of high school boys and girls . . . shows a great interest in all school activities . . . who knows, perhaps he was once a football hero or a basketball star.

ELIZABETH ANDERSON RECEIVES MONEY FROM MAGAZINE

Elizabeth Anderson, sophomore, sent into Picturesque Speech, a column in "Readers Digest" the following: "The room was as full of stinch as a bale is of cotton," a question taken from "Captains Courageous" by Kipling. She had the pleasure of seeing it printed and receiving the three dollars offered by that magazine for colorful sentences. Elizabeth said she put the money in the bank, added more to it, and bought herself a trombone.

Sixty different pupils and teachers in the high school read the "Readers Digest" magazine monthly.

STAFF MEMBER STILL CONFINED TO HOME

Christine Smith's Condition Improves

Christine Smith, assistant editor of the Yodler, has been confined to her home for the last three weeks with influenza. She became sick the day before Thanksgiving and was forced to eat her turkey in bed.

Christine spends her time in bed, she says, "Making Christmas cards though there are at least two dozen extra ones in the house." Lately she has been allowed to stay up a few hours every day. She spends this time practicing the cello or helping bake Christmas cookies.

As she is progressing steadily she expects to return to school after the holidays.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a lady tall, queenly and fair;
Her white, close-fitting robe flows into the ground.
A halo of soft blue light encircles her head around,
Flecking with color her loose jet-black hair.
Elizabeth Thom

ALONG MAIN STREET

WINNIE WEST

BILL GOES SHOPPING

Dropping into Waters' Book store on Franklin Street where they sell all the books, instruments, pencils, papers, etc. with which students gather an education in football, basketball, operation of model "T" Fords and "necking." The Bookstore also has some of the cutest portable typewriters you ever saw, all colors, and models for both right and left handed operators. You can buy them like hiring a lawyer, just lay a retainer fee and then pay a little every so often, not too often either.

Next I visited the Sears, Roebuck and Company Store across the alley. Was looking for a left handed monkey wrench and, by gosh, they had it; so I kept right on asking for everything I could think of and they had them all. Then they offered to sell me a complete harness outfit; had it right in stock, too. I tried to count all the clerks they had there, but I never did get that far in "math". (Ask Mr. Belles; he ought to know).

Crossing the street to the United States National Bank, I bought a steel engraving of Tommy Jefferson for two bucks. These engravings are produced under the auspices of the United States government and are authentic in every detail. What's more, they are being sold at cost without any profit to the bank.

Next, to Lee's Drug Store, where they don't keep lawn mowers, kitchen sinks, or automobiles, they do sell drugs. I honestly believe it would be a good place to get a prescription filled; there isn't much chance of them dropping a lot of tacks in your castor oil.

Ventured into the Five and Dime Store, and by the way, you know the old hymn about "Yield Not Unto Temptation." Well, if you want to live up to it, don't go near one of these stores, for there is a temptation to the right of you, a temptation to the left of you, and in fact all around you. They stick everything right under your nose, and before you know it, they have collected enough nickles and dimes from you to start another Woolworth building.

Be around sometime again, folks.

"Bill The Tinker"

In all issues of the Yodler thus far, not including this one, the names of 219 different students have been mentioned.

The staff aims to use the names of all students attending this high school, before the end of the year.

SHOP HINTS FROM SALLIE

Thoughts while shopping:— Local merchants look on with wonder as Christmas shoppers pour into the Five and Dime stores to-day. Why? These stores offer unique gifts for every member of the family. Why not buy a glittering diamond, guaranteed not to chip nor tarnish? But in legitimate jewelry stores perfect gems lie intact and untouched, merely gazed upon in their cases.

For the girl on whom time weighs heavily, why not give it to her in a bag? This fad has been introduced at Penn Traffic's pocket-book counter.

For the young artist of the family give him a genuine "Snozzola" drawing tablet featured in Rothen's toyland, or a pair of supercolossal streamlined roller skates at Swank's.

Glosser Brothers offer all manner of gadgets that chic men are wearing to keep their ties, collars, and keys in place. Nothing could be more fashionable.

THE RING

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his dime and pocketed the ring.

Thompson did not anticipate Christmas with any degree of joy. He was genuinely worried over his gift for his wife. Supposing she learned its true value? He drew the ring out of his pocket and held it up to the light. It's sparkling luster revived his confidence. The ring might easily be mistaken for a more valuable one.

On Christmas morning Fred Thompson presented his gift to Martha. He hardly dared watch her expression as she opened the little box. Then with relief he heard her exclaim, "Oh, Fred, it's beautiful!", then reproachfully, "Fred, you didn't spend more than ten dollars for it, did you? We agreed that was the limit for each of us." Thompson blushed guiltily. He felt cheaper than the ring itself. At the same time he felt a great relief and entered gayly into bantering discussion of the ring's beauty and value. A knock at the door interrupted. Several of Martha's friends "dropped in for a few minutes." Making some excuse, Thompson left the room.

Someone said, "Let's go to the movie this afternoon. Joe won at poker Friday night and I'm feeling flush."

"Tough that Fred lost so much. Ten dollars, wasn't it?", said somebody else.

"Hope you haven't been riding him," said another, "He looked frightfully worried when we saw (Continued in next column)

Dear Winnie West,
What can I do to make "her" go for me?

Tommy Rogers

Dear Tommy,
Don't give up, she'll "Findlay" give in.

Winnie West

Dear Winnie West,
What do you think of my "out-of-town girl?"

Harry Pierce

Dear Harry,
She's O "Kay", Harry.
Winnie West

Dear Winnie West,
I've got "double trouble"; how can I decide?
Mary Jane Novotney

THE RING

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him in the Five and Ten last night.

And so on until the chattering group left.

With these major clues and further bits of information dropped during the idle conversation Martha put two and two together. She sought Fred.

"So," she said, "that's what I'm worth to you. For poker, ten dollars; for your wife, ten cents."

Out the window went the ring and Martha fled in tears. Thompson followed to try to explain and bring about a reconciliation. While he explained and promised and pleaded, the ring rolled down the gutter and into the sewer, its blue radiance unnoticed.

The papers next day carried a story of the famous Blue Water Sapphire and the cleverness of the thief. The police had traced the thief as far as Murphy's Five and Ten. From there on they were absolutely without a clue.

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Dear Mary Jane,
I'll bet a "Cooky" I know, but I won't tell.

Winnie West

Dear Winnie West,
Does that certain girl like me at all?

Barney Bowser

Dear Barney,
Well, personally, Barney, I think you have her down "Pat".
Winnie West

Dear Winnie West,
What's something novel to do to entertain a boy friend around Christmas?
Mary Gilroy

Dear Mary,
Well, you might try singing him a Christmas "Carroll".
Winnie West

"Fine car you have here. What's the most you've got out of it?"
"Nine times a block."

Dimples (examining her Christmas doll): "Buddy, how do you suppose Santa Claus got pieces just like mamma's skirt to make Buddy's dress?"
Buddy: "I don't know unless maybe Mrs. Santa Claus buys remnants."
—The Business Education World

Frosh: "Teacher, may I pull down the shade? The sun is shining in on me."
Teacher: "No, let it alone. The sun is conducive to the ripening of green things."

"What makes you think that Louis XVI was hot-headed?"
"Didn't he lose his head over the revolution?"

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