

CALL FOR YODLER STAFF

Where is our Yodler staff for next year? Why, right there among you Sophomores and Freshmen with journalistic tendencies. Come forth! Don't be hesitant! We'll see you in Room 309, on February 25 at 3 o'clock.

The students who are interested will work in conjunction with the regular Yodler staff the ones who have taken advantage of this in putting out the remaining issues. Next year, offer will be the regular Yodler staff. By being an apprentice and working along with us, think how much good experience you can gain! Think of the successful newspaper you will be able to put out!

Don't forget! ONLY those who work with us this spring will be on the Yodler staff next year!

JEAN BARNHART RESIGNS

Miss Jean Barnhart, secretary for four years to Mr. Shappell, left January 30 for Chicago, Illinois, to take a position with the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad. On the side, she will attend Naperville Seminary, majoring in music.

Miss Barnhart will be missed by all the school, both students and teachers. When an accompanist was needed, Jean was usually available. If a student needed any sound advice, there was always Jean to be relied upon.

Miss Barnhart was kept busy outside of school as well. She directed the combined Junior Choirs of the city and the choir of a church in Roxbury. In addition to all of this, she could find time to knit herself a beautiful white sweater. Ice skating and tennis are two of her favorite sports.

Dorothy Schwing, a graduate of Westmont, will succeed Miss Barnhart.

HOME NURSING
COURSE FOR W-U. Y.

While the boys of W-U. Y. are aiding our school as air raid and fire wardens the girls are taking a course in home nursing under the Supervision of Miss Katherine Raab. This course enables the girls to get a general idea of what nursing is really like. They learn such things as reading a thermometer, bathing sick people, and caring for babies. In order that the girls know just how to handle and care for babies the school board bought the class a "magic skin doll" which is a doll that can be bathed in water.

The home nursing course lasts fifteen weeks and when the girls complete this course they receive a regular red cross certificate from Washington, D. C. There is a class of Senior girls held on Friday from 3-5 and a mixed group held on Tuesday and Thursdays at Westmont Upper Yoder Consolidated School.

GUEST HI-Y SPEAKER

S. H. Heckman, president and general manager of the Penn Traffic Company, addressed the members of the Westmont Hi-Y Tuesday evening, January 26.

Mr. Heckman pointed out that young men should select their life work as early as possible and should try to prepare as much as possible for the work. A brief discussion of present business activities followed.

Tom Crocker, President of the Hi-Y, presided.



WESTMONT BOYS IN THE ARMED SERVICE

Write To These Boys

We regret to state that at the time this article was printed it was impossible to acquire the names and addresses of all the boys drafted into the Service. The Yodler will be pleased to publish the names of all men in the Service who were students or graduates of W-U. Y. if the addresses are sent to the editor. We publish for your convenience, however, the following list:

Private James L. Albert, Platoon No. 277 Recruit Depot, Marine Barracks, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Private Raymond Benshoff, Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 190 Field Artillery, Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Lloyd Berkey, Witchia Falls, Texas.

Lieutenant Wm. Flynn Chaplin, Miami, Florida.

Private Jack Chaplin, 17th Air Base Squadron, Hickham Field, Honolulu T. H.

Cadet H. C. Cook, Bldg. 24-9 Room 144, Naval Air Base, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Lieutenant Charles L. Crouse, Assist. Air Officer, Fort Mason, San Francisco.

Lieutenant Joseph O. Evans, Jr., Hq. 38th Battalion, Camp Crowder, Neosho, Missouri.

Lieutenant C. B. Hammerle, Jr., Randolph Field, Texas.

Private Evan T. Hartland, Co. "A" 3rd Bn., A. F. R. T. C., Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Walter Hunt, Bolling Field, Washington, D. C.

Private Walter Keifer, 0-462, 13030415, Murree, California.

Private Edward Kocis, Camp Davis, Panama Canal Zone.

Captain Chas. W. Labe, 227th Signal Operation Co., Army War College, Washington, D. C.

Corporal Harold Neafach, Co. I. 23 Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Corporal Paul A. Lentz, Btry. "B" 33rd Bn 8th Tng. Regt., FA. Replacement Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant Jeannette Neafach, A. N. C., Fort Gulick, Christobal, Panama Canal Zone.

Private Ronald H. Peet, 71st School Squadron, Ellington Field, Texas.

Private George J. Popovich, Battery B. 10th Bn., Barrack 1308, Fort Eustis, Va.

Private John W. Reiser, Jr., Company A—4th Division, Ordinance Replacement Training Center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

Private First Class William K. Stombaugh, 121st Observation Sqdn., Langley Field, Virginia.

Private Herman Streilein, 368th Teck School Sqdr. (Sp.), Scott Field, Ill., Area No. 3—228.

Staff Sergeant Walter Streilein, 10th Transport Sqdr., Barracks T. 17, Westover Field, Mass.

Private Michael M. Villa, 10th Co. T. G. A. F. School, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Sergeant Piery Wainger, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Nicholas Zubal, Army Air Corps, Nicholas Field, Philippine Islands.

Cadet James Earl Ogle III, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida, Bldg. 704—Room 217.

Private Clarence Tiffany, 41st Armed Inf. Regt. Co. G., 2nd Armed Division, Fort Benning, Georgia.

Private George Thomas, Medical Corps., Camp Lee, Va.

Corporal Sam Weimer, Pay Office, 5th Marines, FMF, MB New River, North Carolina.

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THREE AS ONE

Each day brings greater realization of the seriousness of World War II; each day some additional sacrifices to make; each day some new tasks to perform. Yet these demands will increase with increased war activity. Only a staunch determined citizenry will save democracy for humanity.

What part can high school students play in such a stupendous task? By preparing for the future through constant improvement of moral, mental, and physical stamina. Now, more than ever before, the pupil should sense the need for a thorough scholarly training to fit him for whatever may come. (Help the school help you by exerting greater effort and greater concern for your classroom work.)

The combined efforts of America's greatest institutions; the church, the home, and the school, have never failed her. They never will!

—Herbert G. Raab

THE LIBRARY

The classified list of books added to our library this year is now in the hands of every teacher. If the list is not posted in your home room, ask your teacher to let you see it.

Look it over and plan your reading for the rest of the school year. Have you chosen a balanced diet? Have you selected a "mental pabulum" worth chewing upon? Have you selected meat as well as sweets?

Many of the books are titles or subjects which YOU asked for last year when you answered the library questionnaire. Soon we shall be making our list for next year. In order to help conserve paper, we are not sending out the questionnaire this year; but whatever titles or subjects which you wish to see included on the list may be presented to the librarian. Please let us know also whether you wish any changes in the magazine list. Your suggestions should be brought to the library before the first of March.

M. Margaret Greer, Librarian

HELP WIN THE WAR

Now that a war has suddenly taken hold of the people of the United States and given them a rough shaking, it is time for all of us, even busy students, to think how best we can help our country win this war.

One way in which many are now willingly helping is by buying defense bonds. This is fine. We can all do more of that. But that is only a beginning. One of the finest ways we can help is to cooperate to the fullest extent with the leaders of our community in air-raid protection and all other forms of civilian defense. We can learn how to follow instructions quickly and eagerly, so as to simplify their problems, which makes the work they are doing for our benefit easier and more effective.

Another important point, that too many of us ignore, can have unfortunate results. If we have no intelligent knowledge of what is going on in the world, we can begin to read and think, and in the meantime keep still and cooperate, being not too ready to "sound off" our own opinions. It is discouraging to leaders who know what they are doing when they hear criticism of their accomplishments from people who seldom take the time to think a problem through.

Let us be thoughtful, intelligent, but now especially, cooperative.

—Martha Trytten

A GYPSY SPEAKS

By Stanley Hocker

There have been many predictions and private opinions given as to when the war is going to end. Here is a story that will tie for first place with any such prophecy:

Two boys were driving along a road in western Pennsylvania when they noticed an old gypsy woman walking along the road. Since they were in no hurry the boys stopped and offered the woman a ride which she accepted. When they reached her destination the gypsy thanked them and in return for the lift offered to answer any question that they would ask. Naturally they asked the question that is foremost in the minds of all Americans: "when will the war be over?" She answered, "If a man dies in this car within the next hour, the war will be over in seven months."

The boys, however, did not think much of her prophecy and were inclined to laugh the thing off. But after proceeding for a few miles they were stopped by a State Motor Policeman and ordered to carry the victim of a serious automobile accident to the nearest hospital. On the way to the hospital, only a few minutes after the gypsy's prediction was made, the injured man died.

CHIT-CHAT

"I Don't Want to Set the World On Fire"
—says Joe Higham amid the folds of his red shirt.

"Why Don't We Do This More Often?"
—Noon dancing.

"I'll Wait For You"—Joanne Hipp to Peggy Wilson in the hall every morning.

"From One Love To Another"—Frances Benschoff.

"I Guess I'll Have To Dream The Rest"
—Geometry students in the middle of an exam.

"I Got It Bad and That Ain't Good"—Dick Guyer.

"The Morning After"—January 1st.

"Tuxedo Junction"—Charity Ball.

"A Romantic Guy, I"—Jack Edwards.

"My Sister and I"—The Gilroys.

"So Near and Yet So Far"—Audrey Davis and Bill Thomas.

"Two In Love"—Mary K. Reed and Don Lentz.

"I See a Million People"—Nan James.

SELECTING A CAREER

By Stanley Hocker

Veterinary Medicine is not very well known, but it is very important because the work of a veterinary will never stop. An especially inviting phase of Veterinary Medicine is government service.

In government veterinary work there is a good chance to succeed since there are many opportunities to get ahead in a certain field. The veterinary profession, moreover, is not overcrowded. The requirements for entrance in government service are: 1. the successful completion of a course in a recognized college of veterinary medicine and 2. a civil service examination.

There are many divisions of this work, each of which employs a large number of veterinarians. The most important of these are as follows: Animal husbandry, which is chiefly research work; Animal disease which is research at Beltsville, Maryland; biochemistry, devoted to studying diseases, tests, disinfectants and veterinary biologics; field inspection, or carrying out department regulations for importing and exporting; meat inspection, which is self explanatory; and pathological work, which has to do with diagnosing and investigating animal, poultry, and wild animal diseases. Other divisions are: tick eradication, animal tuberculosis eradication, virus-serum control, zoological work, and finally packers and stockyards supervision.

The chief duties of a government veterinarian are the preventing the spread of contagious diseases and the finding of means and ways of eradicating them or holding them in check. The salaries of government veterinarians on the average range from \$2,000 to \$4,000 and veterinarians are entitled to retire at the age of sixty-two on \$100 a month. Another advantage of this profession is that this work is very healthful since a large part of it is practiced outdoors. There are, however, some disadvantages to this profession. The work of a veterinarian calls for hard work in all kinds of weather, involving much physical effort and unpleasant detail, in surroundings that are not as pleasant as those of a medical practitioner.

PHOENICIAN HIGHLIGHTS

By Ann Reiber

While the business staff of the Phoenician is working earnestly in seeking subscriptions, the editing staff is perpetually measuring type space, waiting for inspirations for headlines, urging the reporters to hand in their copy and at the same time laughing at Mr. McKees' jokes.

The sales on the Phoenician are being turned in, but the school is not cooperating as much as possible. This new Phoenician has all the good features of the former yearbooks and many new improvements, such as the metal spiral binding, the padded cover, more snap pages, an oblong shape which allows for better planning, at least two pictures of each student in the book and a special feature of Senior autographs in the front of the yearbook.

Everyone knows Anna Jane Ashcom as the editor, but do you know some of the other hard working members of the staff as Jean Allendorfer and Carolyn McGough, Assistant Editors, Jack Edwards as Business Manager, Audrey Hartly, Art Editor, Class Editor is Rita Bregman and Ed Quinn is Sports Editor.

EXCHANGES

Three ways to avoid embarrassment on a dance floor when you fall down:

1. Just lie there. They'll think you fainted.
2. Get up gracefully. They'll think it's part of the step.

3. Start mopping the floor with your handkerchief. They'll think you work there.

"The Emanon"
Barnesboro High School

LIFE IN THE U. S. FLEET

By Jean Campbell

John Paul Jones, "the father of our American Navy," would be amazed, probably a little more than shocked, at our Navy of today. In his time captains fought their ships at point-blank range, fed their men on salt pork and hardtack, kept them happy on a daily ration of rum.

Today the navy fires its guns to hit targets out of sight below the horizon, feeds its men on steaks and apple pie, and keeps them happy aboard ship with movies, bridge and nothing stronger to drink than soda-pop.

The navy is changing fast. The modern naval officer is almost more scientist than seaman, and nearly every sailor is an expert in some special field. Hammocks and tattooing are on the way out. Vitamins are measured out as carefully to the modern seaman as the rum ration used to be.

The stirring bugle call, reveille, still wakes today's sailor at 5:45 A. M., but it comes out of a loud speaker. The seaman eats in a cafeteria, bathes in showers, and when he goes ashore is likely to engage in such untraditional sports as archery, horseback riding, or sight-seeing. Abroad he views a free current movie every night on deck and turns in at 10 P. M. on a bunk that boasts a mattress and a pillow.

Navy discipline is strict but fair. Some men may be punished for an offense but being put in the brig, or a bread and water diet, with 3 square meals every 4th day. This is done because it is said the way to some men's souls is through their stomachs.

Boys as young as 17 may now enlist in the navy. A typical day's program of instruction for a recruit includes: manual of arms, school of the squad, battalion drill, rowing, aptitude test for navy trade schools, chemical warfare, knot tying, lectures and drills in signals, ship's rigging, haircuts, rifle firing, life saving and swimming.

Recruits gain from 10 to 20 pounds in the training period, and fat ones train down to normal. They must launder their own clothes in a bucket, and many a sailor home on leave has proudly taken over the family washing. A recruit's free time is spent bowling, table tennis, books and athletics; even in his sleep he is learning—how to sleep in a hammock.

After a sailor boards a ship his life is about as private as a gold fish. Today if it is crowded, he may sleep in a string of hammocks or a tier of folding bunks four high. His only personal shrine is inside of his small steel locker. A battleship is a seagoing community.

It has almost every utility, public service, or amusement, and more trades and professions than you'd find in an average small town. There are barbershops, laundries where the sailors may have their laundry done for a dollar a month, soda fountains, newspaper, church, and library.

A sailor may be put on duty any time during the twenty-four hours; it is a busy life and they become able to sleep anywhere, anytime. During the day you will see men off watch catching forty winks on a coil of rope, work bench or even on the hard deck.

Patriotism in the Navy is a real living thing, not something to be used on special occasions. Every officer and sailor, when boarding or leaving a ship, pauses at the head of the gangway ladder, faces astern, and salutes the Stars and Stripes floating there.

The sailors have a saying that "the Army had first choice, so they took the mule, and the Navy had to take the marines.

The marines have a rhyme that starts: Ten thousand gobs laid down their swabs, to lick one sick marine."

There may be rivalry between the navy and the marines but no ill feeling. In these troubled times the Airmen, the Army, the Navy and the Marines are pulling together in one common cause, for—Democracy.

THE U. S. MARINES

By Louise Palowitch

The marines are a hard fighting, tough acting, and shocking-talking lot whose history has been both an exciting and adventurous one.

The United States has been formally at war during 23 of the 165 years it has been a nation. The marines have been in action more than 90 years of the nation's life. Their original message was "The Marines have landed—" and the rest could be filled in by anyone, but today the message is that "The Marines are continuing to resist"—from the small Pacific garrisons of Guam and Wake Island.

Resistance is an unusual word in Marine vocabularies. Except in the Chinese Boxer Rebellion in 1902, the Marines have been more blessed with giving than receiving attack. Now they have much more to defend than attack, for their garrisons run from Iceland to Guiana; from Dutch Harbor to Samoa.

The Marines have given their services for the United States in all parts of the world whose names are becoming familiar in this World War II.

In 1802 at Tripoli, Libya, Lieutenant A. Bannon hoisted the first American flag over the old World Fortress of Derna. It was recently taken by British imperial troops.

The Marines landed in Alexandria, Egypt, in 1880 to protect American lines and property during a native revolt.

In France, Northeast of Chateau Thierry there lies a mile-square patch of woods. Its name was Bois de Belleau. The Marines paid back old scores with the Japanese at the Philippines while stationed in Singapore.

In 1867 at Formosa they taught the natives a rude lesson.

They took part in the battle of Fort McHenry where Francis Scott Key wrote our national anthem. They helped take California, and took part in the storming of Chapultepec, where an unknown Marine officer wrote the words, "From the halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli" and the first version of the Marines' hymn which was set to the music from an aria in Affenbach's opera "Genevieve de Brabant."

The Marine uniforms have long been especially noted—John Paul Jones' crew had green uniforms with an anchor on the white buttons. In July, 1798, Congress authorized the permanent establishment of a Marine Corps of 33 officers and 848 men, commanded by a major. Today their relative strength is about 104,000.

Marines are the most versatile of all American fighting men, for they are expected to serve both afloat and ashore. Their corps is a semi-autonomous branch of the Navy, with somewhat the same amount of independence as the air corps in the Army. Its commandant, Major General Thomas Holcomb, is responsible to the Sec. of Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations.

In brief, the principal function of the Marine Corp is to provide the Navy with a specially trained expeditionary force which is accustomed to ship life and Navy regulations and whose officers have served in close contact with officers of the Navy. They are ready to perform any guard duty which requires a man who is handy with rifle and bayonet. They are expected to act as sentries on shore if necessary.

The Marines are both the soldiers and sailors of the United States Corps.

Mr. Gibb tells this one quite often—"A boy lit a match near a barrel of benzine and hasn't 'benzine' since."

I don't see why this match won't light; it lit a minute ago.

Dinner Guest: Will you pass the nuts professor?

Absent Minded Professor: Yes, I suppose so, but I really should flunk most of them.

LADS AND LASSIES

LAMENTATIONS

Dear Miss Flake,

My problem is a serious one, in all senses of the word. I like a girl and I like her a lot, but after all, I don't want a ball and chain. She believes in going steady and I don't. I don't want to hurt her and I want to keep dating her but heck—I want some fun too.

"Concerned Charlie"

"Concerned Charlie"

Get some backbone, boy! Tell "her" how you feel about it. She'll appreciate that and if she's the right kind of girl, she'll understand how you feel about it. But, by all means, don't keep her in the dark about it.

Doris Flake

Dear Miss Flake,

My plans conflict with "Uncle Sam's". I still want to date, as always, but Dad wants to cut down wear and tear of the tires, therefore—no car. I fear I shall be left in the mad rush. What would you suggest?

"Subdued Saul"

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Organize for defense!! You do have a "crowd", don't you? Well band together for the common cause. Toboggan, ice-skate, ski, dance, and have house dates. If you've been on "the beam" with dates before, the girls won't mind "suffering" with you.

Doris Flake

Dear Miss Flake,

I want to know how to further an acquaintance. I met a boy and I think he's "SWELL". Although I just know him enough to say "hello", I would like to know him better. Have you any suggestions?

"Neglected Nellie"

"Neglected Nellie"

How did you meet him? If it was through a mutual friend, tell that friend about it. Instead of stopping at "hello" the next time you see him, find something to stop and talk about. If these ideas don't work, let me hear from you.

Doris Flake

BAND WAGON

By Jean Smith

Benny Goodman still reigns as the "King of Swing" according to the results of the recent "Down Beat" poll, and Glenn Miller has the greatest "Sweet Band" in America. Tommy Dorsey's band was voted second in both divisions. Guy Lombardo won the title of "King of Corn" with Glenn Miller running second. America's favorite soloist is Benny Goodman and Frank Sinatra stands first in line of male vocalist while Helen O'Connell leads your list of favorite "fem chirps". Buddy Rich came out way in the lead as the nation's best drummer. (Much to Dick Love's satisfaction).

Now that the United States is in the war, the question of all musicians and music lovers is, "How will it effect the music profession?"

Most dance band musicians are between the ages of 21-35, but administration psychologists, careful not to depress public morale have not called one big name leader or broken up one big name band as yet.

GLENN MILLER

String of Pearls—11386

Glenn Miller may have another "In the Mood" with this jumpy jazzy instrumental, filled with bright solos and played in the best Miller tradition. A Blue Bird special and sure fire on all locations appealing to youths, musicians and jitterbugs.

RAY
LANTOS

WESTMONT
HIGH
BASKETBALL
CAPTAIN

RAY IS THE HILLTOP
SCHOOL'S IRON-MAN
LAGER, MISSING ONLY
ONE QUARTER OF PLAY
IN THE LAST TWO YEARS.

A SENIOR, HE IS
SPARKING WESTMONT TO
A GREAT SEASON WITH
HIS TOPNOTCH CAPTAIN
AND COOL-SHOOTING
ABILITY.

LANTOS IS THE
TEAMS HIGH-SCORER,
AVERAGING 16 POINTS
A GAME.



HILLTOPPERS DOWN JOHNSTOWN, 30-28

By Joe Swank

Westmont High School's high-stepping Hilltop basketball team added another victory to their already marvelous record, last Tuesday evening, by defeating the Johnstown High Trojans by a 30-28 score before an overflow crowd at the Hilltop gymnasium. It was the second time this season that the Hilltoppers defeated the Trojans, having taken them into camp by a 28-27 score on the Johnstown floor. Thus the Hilltoppers eliminated the Trojans from further District 6 competition.

Paced by big, lanky center Charles Buser, the Hilltoppers spotted the Trojans a 19-12 lead at halftime, then came roaring back with another one of their devastating second half attacks to win. The Hilltoppers lead at the end of the first quarter 8-7, but the Trojans, lead by Sparky Shellhammer, fought back to take the lead at the end of the half, 19-12. The Hilltoppers, however, came right back in the third quarter to carry that stanza by a 12-3 margin and gain a 24-22 lead at the end of the third quarter. Then in a hectic last quarter, each team gained six points to set the final score at 30-28 in favor of Westmont.

Buser, high scorer for the Hilltoppers, sank twelve points on four double-deckers and

four fouls while Schellhammer, the Trojan guard, was just behind Buser for high scoring honors with five goals and one foul for a total of eleven points.

In the preliminary encounter the Johnstown "B" team defeated the Westmont Junior Varsity 36-19 after the Little Hilltoppers had gained an 11-9 half-time margin.

The summary of the varsity game:

WESTMONT		G	F	T
Lantos	f	2	1	5
Weiss	f	2	0	4
Buser	c	4	4	12
Quinn	g	2	1	5
Matthews	g	1	0	2
Ogle	f	1	0	2
Dunkle	g	0	0	0
Totals		12	6	30
JOHNSTOWN		G	F	T
Sax	f	1	1	3
Patrick	f	0	1	1
Stanko	c	1	0	2
Schellhammer	g	5	1	11
Davis	g	1	2	4
Schloss	f	0	0	0
Pudliner	c	2	3	7
Spack	g	0	0	0
Totals		10	8	28

HILLTOP TEAMS HAVE GREAT SEASONS

By Joe Swank

This year Westmont is represented by two of the best basketball teams in the history of the school. Led by captain Ray Lantos, who has averaged 16 points per game, the Hilltoppers, in their first thirteen games, have won ten games while losing three. They have defeated Somerset, 49-24; Windber, 37-23; and 37-20; Indiana 29-23; Ebensburg, 34-28; and 51-26; Johnstown, 28-27, and 30-28; Ferndale, 24-17; and Blairsville, 36-31. The Red and Gray dropped a 27-26 decision to the Alumni on George Thomas last minute goal, lost a thrilling 46-45 game to Blairsville in an extra period, and suffered a 52-36 setback at the hands of the strong Allegheny High School quintet. By virtue of this marvelous record, the Hilltoppers have assured themselves at least a tie for the Tri-County League championship with seven wins against a single defeat.

But lets not shine all the light on the varsity when we have such an excellent Junior Varsity. They have copped nine wins against three defeats. Since losing their opener to Somerset J. V. 17-15, the Little Hilltoppers have defeated Lewis Big Five 31-21, Windber J. V., 43-20, and 41-27, Blairsville J. V. 37-15, and 23-20, Ebensburg J. V., 55-11, and 39-14, Johnstown "B" team, 29-24, and the Ferndale J. V., 27-17, while losing to the Indiana J. V. 19-18, and the Johnstown "B" team 36-19.

Both teams have just four more games to play. So you fans won't have many more chances to see the boys play. So lets give them all our support for the remainder of the season.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

By Joanne Hipp

Apparently the masculine "admirers" who get such a big kick out of girls' basketball from 3:00 to 4:00 weekday afternoons, don't realize the trials and tribulations the girls have to face.

The players will readily admit that the game is slower but nothing can be done about changing the rules—ask any girl from 19—on. The team consists of three guards and three forwards; the guards are on one side of the floor, the forwards on the other. No player is permitted to cross over the middle line. The goal of the guards is to be all defense; that of the forwards is to be all offense. That is the forwards do all the shooting and the guards keep "feeding" the ball to them.

The game consists of four quarters—eight minutes each. A player can enter the game twice in a quarter.

The technicals which most girls forget during playing time are: Placing one or both hands on the ball when it has been secured by the opponent; the ball must be passed twice before it can be tried for a basket; a person can not pass the ball from a sitting position. When a fourth personal foul or the fifth technical foul, or a total of five personals and technicals combined has been called on a player, she is disqualified. Other rules are similar to the boy's rules.

The referee is supreme dictator on the floor. Anything she says goes.

Don't blame the girls for playing a slow, drowsy game. It's difficult to play basketball with all these rules to remember especially when most of the girls are accustomed to boy's rules. Another great hindrance is the group of jeering boys along the sidelines—but we won't hold it against you, boys.

THANK YOU

The cut of Ray Lantos was lent to the Yodler staff by the Johnstown Democrat.