

SENIORS GRADUATE MAY 24

EVALUATING COMMITTEE SUBMITS REPORTS

Last October a committee of twelve educators visited our school in order to re-evaluate its standing in the Middle States Association. These educators were Dr. P. W. Hutson, University of Pittsburgh, chairman of the board, Rev. Ralph Bailey of St. Vincent, Mr. Hughes Bringer of Southmont, Messrs. Albert Drumbheller and D. Paul Snay of Indiana State Teachers College, Sister Joanna Gleason of Seton Hill, Mr. Franklin Miller of Richland Township, Mr. R. C. Rogers of Shade Township, Dr. Clara Shryock, Assistant Supervising Principal of Cambria County Schools, Mr. Howard Squires of Harmony Township, Mr. Harvey Teal of Clairton, and Mr. G. D. Weiss of Bellwood-Antis. These evaluators investigated every phase of our school and school life. Just recently, the Evaluation was submitted to Mr. Ackley, who, in turn, explained it to the Student Council Committee.

Westmont-Upper Yoder entered the association in 1928, the first school in the district to meet the association's standards. In 1940 it was decided that all member schools of the association were to be re-evaluated by 1945. To set up new standards by which the members could be re-evaluated two hundred sample schools, large, medium, and small, were visited, and the new evaluative criteria were set up. The criteria were divided into nine divisions of school life and functions. They were: 1. School Plant; 2. School Administration; 3. Library Service; 4. Pupil Activity Programs; 5. Guidance Service; 6. Curriculum; 7. Instruction; 8. School Staff; 9. Outcomes. The committee divided itself into subcommittees, each of which took one of these phases to investigate.

Before delving into the school's evaluation let me explain the different methods of rating that were used. There were the five general classifications: **Very Superior, Superior,**

Average, Inferior, and Very Inferior. Marked on the charts, which were made up in the form of temperature readings, was the percentile score (0 to 100) in which the country-wide norm for all schools was 50. Besides this there was the minimum standard, somewhere along the chart, for schools of the Middle States Association. Also there were markings to show where large schools, other regional association, and non-accredited schools stood. By comparing our standing with these different markings we can get a good idea of where Westmont ranked in relation to other schools.

Both the faculty and students should be proud to note that our school was rated above average in all nine divisions of the criteria. In two—Library and Staff—we were rated **Very Superior**, our standings in these divisions being above even the very large schools. In three divisions—Instruction, Administration, and Outcomes—we were rated **Superior**, still above the very large schools' average. In the rest of the divisions—Curriculum, Pupil Activities, Guidance, and Plant—we were accorded a high **Average** rating. On all of these average ratings we stood high above the accredited norm. Of course our school is not perfect and the committee found a number of weaknesses in our system. But on the whole, these weaknesses have already been recognized by the faculty and school board, and wherever possible they will be remedied now or in the near future. The committee felt that a school of our size should offer some course in Dramatics in addition to the production of class plays. In regard to the building, the committee thought the building and campus very beautiful, but they considered the Home Economics and Science facilities antiquated. (It is interesting to note that both of these faults are already

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EASH TO HEAD PHOENICIAN

The **Phoenixian** Staff for 1946 has been announced by Miss Roberta Williams, the yearbook adviser. Agnes Eash is Editor-in-Chief. The Editorial Board consists of Dick Ott, Louis Coppersmith, Elaine Sobol, Jack Leabhart, Rosemary Wertz, Eileen Park, John Horthy, Peggy Rutledge, and Jeanne Wolf. Jack Coppersmith is the Business Manager. The Chief Typist is Aileen Rhodes. The staffs are as follows:

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Westmont Artists Cop Prizes WIN PLACES IN ALL EVENTS

The annual Art Exhibit sponsored by the Junior Allied Artists was very successful this year. There were many entries that displayed much talent, among the younger artists of Greater Johnstown. In taking at least one prize in each of the five sections of oil, water color, pastel, black and white, and imaginative, Westmont came out with flying colors. The jurors for the art show were Mrs. Ludwig Henning, chairman; Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Hager. The winners were announced at a tea for members and their friends which was held Sunday afternoon, May 6. The Westmont winners and their divisions are as follows: Oils—Ronnat Grogan, "Rhododendron," second; Lois Jean Willoughby, "Nasturtiums," first; Jeanne Cush, "Willow Plate," second; Pastel—Peggy Rutledge, "Rockets," second; Imaginative—Joel Kranich, "Summertime," first. All the pictures were on exhibit to the public at the Allied Artists Studio, 401 Franklin Street, above Millers' Dairy Store, from May 6 to May 13.

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The Senior Commencement for the year 1944-45 will take place in the Westmont-Upper Yoder High School auditorium, May 24, at 8:15 P. M. Reverend Daehling will deliver the invocation. The processional will be played by the school orchestra under the direction of Mrs. Grandinetti. The speaker of the evening will be Dr. Erdman ("Erd") Harris, the headmaster of Pittsburgh's Shady Side Academy. Dr. Harris, a Doctor of Theology, is brisk, cheerful, athletic, and unusual in that he is an expert pianist (hot and classical), a painter, and Arabic conversationalist, and an Egyptian tennis champion. His subject for the evening, as intriguing as his accomplishments, will be "Looking In, Looking Out, Looking Up." Of the sixty-nine students of the graduating class, three are in the armed forces, two in college. Bob Miller and John Polak, having completed their credits while in the services, will receive their diplomas. Bill Heilman and Harry Coulson will not get diplomas, since their work is incomplete. Irving Leuin and Norman Scott are attending Junior Pitt. Dr. Donald Matthews, President of the Westmont-Upper Yoder School Board, will present the diplomas. The Senior Class of 1945 is not without honor students. The following will receive the National Honor Award—Shirli Boland, Bob Haberstroh, Curtis James, Barbara Kennedy, Nancy Knipe, Irving Leuin, Jack Mapoles, Pat Richardson, Norman Scott, Lois Jean Willoughby, and Selma Zasofsky.

HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

The following students were on the honor roll for the previous six weeks:

SENIORS

Helen Andreassi	Barbara Kennedy
Bob Haberstroh	Pat Richardson
	Lois Willoughby

JUNIORS

Lois Baxendall	Dick Ott
Frances Conrad	Elaine Sobol
Agnes Eash	Eileen Rhodes
Lily Mae Fox	Joanne Richardson
Norma Lane	Peggy Rutledge
Jack Leabhart	Eileen Park

SOPHOMORES

David Cohoe	La Rue Hillegass
Dave Coulson	Dick Hornick
Shirley Dom	Paul McGill
Shirley Eash	Shirley Stutzman
	Martha Yost

FRESHMEN

Barbara Coon	Earle McKeever
Carol Geist	Rosalyn Romanoff
Sonny Holtzman	Herbert Sherer
Bob Lantos	Ann Sontum
	Pat Wood



BOYS' INTRAMURALS END

Boys' Intramurals at W.-U. Y. have recently ended with the following results:

Touch football: All the information we have on the outcome of the football Intramurals are the final results. The Seniors came in first; Sophomores, second and Juniors, third.

Foul shooting contest: The foul shooting tournament started with eighteen Seniors, sixteen Juniors and sixteen Sophomores signed up. By the gradual process of elimination, Bill Wood came out as best man for the Seniors, Jack Leabhart and Jim Kerrigan for the Juniors, and Owen Hunt for the Sophomores. Of these players who entered the semi-final tryouts, Jack Leabhart and Owen Hunt proved to be the best. To determine the winner both Leabhart and Hunt tried 50 shots at the basket; however, both came out with 28. This made it necessary to shoot an extra 10 tries apiece, and Leabhart came out the winner by putting seven through the hoop.

Volleyball: This sport started with two Senior teams, one Junior team and two Sophomore clubs. The schedule began on Wednesday, October 25 and concluded on Monday, November 27, with the following results: the Juniors came out in first place with Senior A, B, and Sophomore A, B, following in that order.

Basketball: The basketball program also began with a good line-up of teams. Schedule began January 6 and ended on February 5. The games began every noon hour at 11:55. Two games, consisting of four alternating halves, six or seven minutes in length, were played on each scheduled date. The final placements were: Freshman came in first with seven wins and one loss: Senior A, Junior A and Sophomore A were tied for 3rd and 4th places; Sophomore C, Senior B, Junior B, and Sophomore B placed last.

Ping-Pong: The 1945 Ping-Pong Tournament got off to a good start with 73 entrants. In a few, hard fought weeks the field was narrowed down to four players: Paul McGill, Jack Coppersmith, Bob Haberstroh, and Jay W. Shaulis. In the semi-finals, which were to be decided by five games of 21 points each, Coppersmith beat Haberstroh three games to two. In the other semi-final game, Shaulis took the first game from McGill, but Paul came back to win three straight and take the semi-final three games to one. Thus, Coppersmith and McGill were the contestants in the final tilt. The winner of this group was the one who could win the best out of seven 21-point games. Paul won the first game and Jack came back to win the second, but McGill again took three straight to win four games to one and become the Ping-Pong Champion of W.-U. Y. for 1945.

GIRLS COMPLETE TOURNAMENTS

A successful year in girls intramurals with the exception of the Senior-Freshman mushball game was completed by April 30. This one game will be played off as soon as the weather permits.

Five girls received athletic letters for their participation in inter-class sports. Three of these are Juniors—Lucinda Dunckel, Joan Engh, and Eileen Park; two are Seniors—Nellie Beam and Janet Kauffman. As an equivalent to a second letter, two Senior girls were each awarded chevrons—Blanche Blozovitch and Helen Witherite.

The Sophomore and Juniors teams were eliminated from the tournament because of a disagreement and are barred from further competition this year.

The girls of the Senior class deserve much credit for their interest in sports. A lot of rivalry grew up between them and the Juniors which lasted throughout the three years.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR '45

The following is the 1945-46 football schedule for Westmont-Upper Yoder High School. There are no changes from last year's schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Team	Place
Fri.—Sept. 14	2:45	Richland Twp.	Home	
Sat.—Sept. 22	3:30	Lock Haven	Away	
Fri.—Sept. 28	8:00	Bedford	Away	
Fri.—Oct. 5	3:00	Conemaugh Twp.	Away	
Fri.—Oct. 12	2:45	Ebensburg	Home	
Sat.—Oct. 20	2:00	Indiana	Away	
Fri.—Oct. 26	2:45	Somerset	Home	
Fri.—Nov. 2	8:00	Ferndale	Home	

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Recapitulation:

Games at Home	4
Games at Price Field	3
Games at Point Stadium	1
Games Away	4
Total games	8

LOOKING FORWARD

We are looking forward for some sweet revenge for a little note published in the Ferndale "Courier" recently. It said, "We notice that Ferndale has beaten Westmont in every athletic engagement this year." With a good part of both this year's football and basketball teams coming back next year, the prospect looks very inviting. A tough season is coming up. Bedford's team, for one, was made up mostly of Sophomores and Juniors as were some of the others.

We will probably lose only eight players from last year's first and second teams through graduation and service calls. This leaves three of the four backfield regulars, Bob Barret, Floyd Boyer, and "Boogie" Strange if he can come back for next year's season. The outlook for the line is just as good. Sophomores Dave Coulson, center, guard, Albert Heinze; tackle, Roland Cicconi, and Dick Hornick along with tackle Clayton Tyner, all regulars last year, will form nucleus for a powerful, heavy line. Coming up from the second string are Bob Clark, Jim Dyche, Owen Hunt, Sammy Salem, Herb Weiss, John Danyluk, and Gene Kaufman, most of whom will be seniors. A good crop of transfers will probably fit in nicely. Already Bob Varner, who weighs around 200 pounds, a transfer from Windber, has aroused considerable speculation. Bob is finishing the school term at Windber but will go to W.-U. Y. when the next term rolls around and will go out for the team. Varner another tough linesman played on the Blue and White first string line until he was forced to quit because of the distance to the school.

Another is Bob Davis who transferred to Westmont from Johnstown during the early part of this year and deserves a lot of praise for a swell job on the basketball team this year. He played independent football last year for Heck Store, an undefeated, unscored upon team. Here is another good lineman who will wear a red and gray jersey next year.

The call for basketball will bring forth four of the five boys who finished the season this year. The only one we'll not be seeing next year will be Dick Hunter who graduates. Davis and Coulson will be right at home in the guard spots, while Jimmy Johns who filled in for Bob Miller after seven games last year looks good for the pivot position. Herb Weiss along with either Kaufman or Danyluk will probably be regular forwards. Darkhorses in the varsity race may be Sammy Salem, Bob Barret, and some of Coach Bill Askey's undefeated Junior High quintet, and the remainder of the J. V. team.

All in all, W.-U. Y. students seem to have a right to look forward to better seasons in both football and basketball. "With a little luck, a good spirit, and if the boys keep plugging to keep their grades on a passing level we will have better than average teams."

EVALUATING COMMITTEE

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being remedied. Ways by which a Dramatics course could be added to the curriculum next year are being studied and the School Board is planning to add a new wing to the north end of the building after the war, in which modern Home Economics rooms, Science laboratories, and sound-proof band room will be housed. One thing suggested by the committee that we sorely need are some outdoor athletic facilities as handball courts, tennis courts, and play areas for students who don't play football. These improvements for the school, for as the committee noticed, "our students have thoughtful discharge of their responsibilities for proper care of school equipment." As for the recommendation by the committee for shop classes, it has been decided that there are not enough students to warrant the high expenditures necessary for successful classes.

I have tried to give you an objective picture of the committees' evaluation of Westmont-Upper Yoder High. I make but one personal comment. There was not one place in the report where a word of praise was uttered without a note of censure creeping in, nor was there uttered any note of censure without a word of praise creeping in.

—Jack Coppersmith.

SENIORS IN SERVICE

Several members of the Senior class of this year are either already in the armed forces, or are planning to leave soon after graduation. These are the boys who have either enlisted or will be eighteen in the near future. Tommy Carroll, Navy; Bob Claycomb, Army Air Corps; Curtis James, Navy or Army; Dan Quest, Merchant Marines; Gene Ober, Army; Eddie Seifert, Army Air Corps.

These boys who have passed their physical test and are waiting to be called are "Jake" Foust, Navy; Bob Fullerton, Army, and Dave Sterling, Marines.

Calvin Wilson has passed the difficult Radio Technician test successfully and is also waiting to be called.

The boys in the class that are already in the service are as follows: Bill Heilman, Army; Vernon Jones, Marines; Bill Marks, Navy; Fred Mebs, Navy; Bob Miller, Navy; "Red" Roberts, Navy; "Herby" Squire, Navy; John "Slug" Trent, Navy.

We all wish these boys the best of luck in the near future.

PHOTO CLUB STAGES DANCE

The Photography Club, under the direction of Miss M. Margaret Greer, sponsored a successful and enjoyable Spring dance on April 20th in the high school gym. Dancing was from 8:30 until 11:30 o'clock. The dance was an informal affair, but nevertheless it afforded an occasion for the display of new Spring apparel. The Spring atmosphere was also boosted by the display of flowers in the center of the floor and suitable decorations situated around the gym. Bill Ashman and his Rhythm Makers, a new orchestra from Ferndale, formed the musical background for listening and dancing pleasure. The cake walk was won by Til and Toni. Flowers were awarded rather than a cake to keep in step with the theme of Spring. Other members of the faculty present were Miss Gearhardt, Miss Cohoe, and Mr. Gerber.

NEW TEACHER AT W.-U. Y.

If you see a man walking through the halls of W.-U. Y. who resembles Joseph Cotton, do not be surprised. This is our new Biology teacher, Mr. Thomas Gerber. Mr. Gerber has the interesting dual hobby of collecting photographs and being fond of all kinds of athletics. He was on the swimming team in college.

Mr. Gerber's home is in Geistown, where he was graduated from the Richland Township High School after which he attended Indiana State Teachers College. He thinks that the students of W.-U. Y.—(get ready)—are more matured than in any other school he has been in. They are mannerly and cooperative.

His nickname in college, was "Uncle Tom." This was because he was "housemother" to nine other boys in a frat house called "Uncle Tom's Cabin." "Uncle Tom," Mr. Gerber, likes Westmont and is very glad to be here.

Seniors Win Scholarships

Laverne Batdorf, one of our blonde seniors, plans to continue her dancing studies after graduation. She has been taking ballet and toe dancing at the Gene Kelly Studio for eight years and now she intends to study at the Agnes de Mille Ballet School. Laverne has been appearing in ballet shows in Pittsburgh for a number of years and her main ambition in life is to travel with the Russian Ballet.

Bob Haberstroh has won the George Westinghouse Scholarship. This Scholarship entitles the winner to a four year education at the Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, Pa., and the promise of a job with the Westinghouse Co. during the summer months and after graduation. The Scholarship is for \$1850.

Jack Mapoles has accepted a scholarship to Yale University. The scholarship is a Freshman Regional Scholarship which Jack won by making the highest mark on the College Board Examination in Pittsburgh district. This Scholarship is worth \$938 a year and is automatically renewable for the next three years if Jack ranks in the upper third of his class each year in college. Jack's scholarship is good for either the Yale School of Engineering, the Sheffield Scientific School of the University, or Yale College.

Barbara Kennedy and Pat Richardson have won scholarships to Thiel College.

Eighth Grade Graduates May 28

The Eighth Grade graduation exercises will be held in the school's auditorium on Monday evening, May 28, 1945, at 8:15 o'clock. Graduating this year will be a large class—ninety-four graduates in all. The program for the Commencement, as announced by Mr. Percy A. James, principal, is as follows:

Presiding Mr. Percy A. James
Invocation Rev. C. J. Fox
Westmont United Brethren Church
Orchestra—
"When the Boys Go Marching By" Sousa
Song Group—
"Dearest Lord Jesus" Bach
"Song of the Danube"
(Tales from the Vienna Woods) Strauss
"Night" (From Liebestraum) Liszt-Moore
"Lullaby" Brahms
Address—
"A Graduation Wish" Rev. Ernest Weals
Franklin Street Methodist Church
Orchestra—"Sister's Waltz" Frey
Presentation of Certificates
Mr. Lawrence D. Little
President Upper Yoder School Board
Orchestra—"Star Spangled Banner" Key
Benediction Rev. C. J. Fox

Night Work

Brixner's late hours have given him the dazzling appearance of a "Coleman."

Jackie Wilkinson is just "Burn-ing" with curiosity as to the whereabouts of a sophomore lad.

Good luck girls—we hope you find the Poconos enjoyable—(Huba-Huba). Bruce and Jean are all tied up in their work behind the milk-bar at the Manor on week-ends.

Hartley has suddenly turned "Wolf"—and we don't mean maybe.

Natty is said to be the girl with five boy friends, but it looks like "Doc" is making the most headway.

Mr. Raab has recently returned to the good old U. S. A. and we'll be looking forward to his teaching again at Westmont.

Aha! Owen has at last taken some interest in "Church-y."

Seigel's not wasting any time grieving over Bernice, is he Beezy?

Pat Shiffer certainly is "Buzz"ing around these days !!!

Boo has finally conquered her big (? ? ?) strong (? ? ?) he-man (? ? ?) !!

That one-again, off-again couple, Cindy and Gene, are currently on-again. We wish those two would some day make up their minds.

Habe has not so recently taken a turn for the Wertz! !

Hey, all you Wolfs! ! Look at all the new talent that's coming in next year—Huba Hubal

SCHOOL SCHEDULE ARRANGED

This is the school schedule for 1945-'46. There is one major change from last year's schedule. The schedule this year provides for no vacation on New Year's day. This was done in order to lengthen the Christmas vacation while allowing school to be dismissed at regular time. The daily schedule will remain the same with the same arrangement for Friday dismissal.

August 27—Opening Day
September 3—Labor Day
October 11-12—Institute
November 29-30—Thanksgiving
December 14-28—Christmas
February 21-22—Mid-Winter Vacation
April 18-19—Easter
May 30—Closing Day

Yodler Expresses Gratitude

The members of the editorial board of the YODLER wish to express their gratitude to all those who aided us in helping to make the YODLER come out on time. We wish to give a special vote of thanks to Miss M. Margaret Greer, our Adviser, who graciously assumed the burden of helping us out in all difficulties.

We also wish to thank the following typists who aided us greatly throughout the year by unselfishly giving of their time to type our copy material. They are: Betty Kleinstub, Mildred Yuhas, Adrienne Glock, Marg Fornwalt, Marion Ream, Margaret Kohler, Ethel Spangler, and Betty Miller. Once again, we say to you all, "A million thanks."