

Briefs Of The "Times"

Top Ten Salesmen

for the March 24, 1961 issue
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Good Luck!!

to the Band and Orchestra in their State contests tomorrow! Please represent our school to the best of your ability.

Last Chance!

We are now started in our final nine weeks. Try to make these the best nine weeks you possibly can. The seniors, especially should take notice of this because this nine weeks is really the last chance!

Congratulations

to the three valedictorians, Kathy Krider, Pat Miller, and Georgia Polovina, and the salutatorian, Kathy Behrenbruch, of the Senior Class. Congratulations also to the eighty-five honor students listed in the story last week in the South Bend Tribune.

A European

folk dancing exhibition will be put on next Thursday morning by Bob and Carlyn Galati. The Galati's have traveled all over Europe and will display their dancing to invited groups during Thursday's assembly period.

Twenty-three pupils compete in regional Achievement Contest

Several Riley students participated in the regional contests held recently at Central High School. These students had to first pass a qualifying test which was given in the individual subjects. Those continuing on to the state contest, which will be held at Indiana University on April 29, will be announced later.

Those who took the Math tests, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Murphy, were, Algebra; Mike Gallagher, Steve Roberts, and Charlotte Deepe; Geometry; Ray Weigand, Roberta Shapiro, Jim Miller, Senior Comprehensive; Judy Areen, Dave Means, Chuck Hickok, Wayne Serion, Pat Miller, and Johnette Frick.

Miss Edith Steele is in charge of the English section. Participating in the contest were Kathy Behrenbruch, Bruce BonDurant, Sara Leopold, David Mossman, Kathy Krider, Georgia Polovina, Nancy Singer, and Linda Sweitzer.

Mrs. Mary Lou Oehler reported that three students were entered from the Spanish classes. They were Nancy Zieger, Joan Boosi, and Sue Bezenquist.

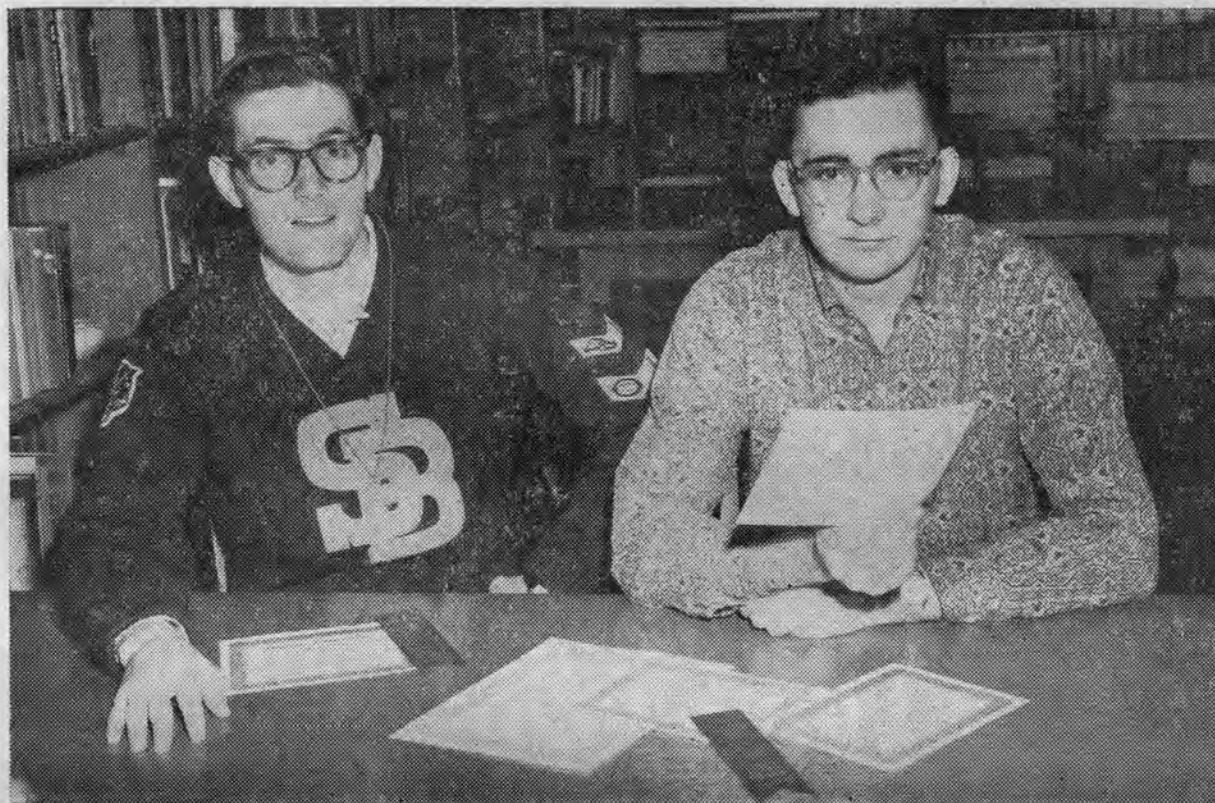
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Friday, April 14, 1961

Dick and Steve win ribbons in this year's City Science Fair



DICK MAHONEY, on the left, and Steve Palmer display their certificates and ribbons won in the recent City Science Fair.

Two senior boys win awards in City Fair; Regional is tomorrow

Bringing honor to themselves and the Riley science department, Dick Mahoney and Steve Palmer won first place awards in the recent City Science Fair.

Dick's project entitled "Relativity and Explanation" was judged as a blue ribbon winner in the Physics section. Steve's project entitled "Radio Controlled Robot" also won blue ribbon honors in the Physics division.

For their efforts both boys received ribbons, certificates, and the right to go on to the Regional Science Fair to be held at Goshen College in Goshen, Indiana tomorrow. The two top entrants in each field at the Regional competition will be entitled to go on to the National Science Fair.

Steve also entered the 1961 Notre Dame Science Fair held last March 25 and 26. He won a second place award in the Physics division, accompanied by a certificate and a check for \$10.

The "Radio Controlled Robot" was entered in the Future Scientists of America nationwide contest and the Westinghouse Science Talent Search, also a nation-wide contest. Steve was awarded an honorable mention in the Future Scientists of America competition, but has not yet heard from the Westinghouse Science Talent Search.

Be sure to follow the coming issues of the HI-TIMES for reports on the progress of Steve and Dick in the Regional Science Contest and for news of Steve's rank in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search.

Golf, baseball, track, wrestling coaches to appear before P.T.A.

The April meeting of the Riley Parent-Teacher Association will be held next Tuesday evening, April 18, at 7:30 p. m.

This meeting will be the annual Father's Night and will feature a wrestling exhibition in the gym. The entire meeting will take place in the gym.

Mr. Walter Sweitzer will introduce the following coaches: Mr. Donald Barnbrook, golf coach; Mr. Paul Frazier, track coach; Mr. Douglas Simpson, baseball coach; and Mr. Wally Gartee, wrestling coach.

These coaches will each give a five minute talk on their respective teams and then introduce the members of the varsity teams and their fathers.

After this part of the program members of the varsity wrestling team, who have just completed a very successful season, will give an exhibition.

Also on display at this meeting will be an art exhibit presented by Miss Mary Jane Day's Art classes and a shop exhibit presented by Mr. Joseph Shafer's Industrial Art classes.

The meeting will be concluded with the serving of refreshments in the back gym.

Juniors net \$99.45 on the class paper drive during spring recess

On Monday, April 3, the Class of '62, following the tradition started by the Class of '61, had a paper drive. At 9:00 a. m., 120 juniors met in back of school to start collecting papers. Having their routes, they set out soon after 9:00.

Although a few people were unhappy about being roused out of bed, the enthusiasm of the juniors soon made them forget their sleep and start gathering papers to help the class.

The papers collected by the class filled a large truck thirteen times plus the papers taken in by Dave Hendrix's pick-up truck. The total amount made from the paper drive was \$99.45.

Y-Teens of city unite to present 'Ebb Tide' at Indiana Club tonite

Plans have been concluded for tonight's all-city Y-Teen dance, "Ebb Tide." Couples will dance to the music of Eddie Knight and his orchestra in the Indiana Club from 9 to 12. A sea decor will be used for the semi-formal affair.

Highlighting the evening will be the coronation of the king. Candidates from each school have been selected and judged on the basis of an interview. The song of each respective candidates will be played as he is escorted to the stage. Maurice Krause, Riley's candidate, will be escorted by Phylliss Perkins. When the king is announced, he will be crowned by Mayor Canfield of Mishawaka. South Bend's Mayor Bruggner is expected to drop in sometime during the evening. The entire coronation will be covered by WNDU-TV.

Each school has planned one phase of the dance. Riley is in charge of invitations. This committee is headed by Lois Baldwin. Chairman of Riley tickets is Phylliss Perkins.

Student Council holds primary of campaign; selects two nominees for each of top offices

"What are your views on Riley's Student Council and how would you improve it if you were elected to one of its offices?"

This is the question that was put to candidates for nomination for next year's Student Council offices. Each candidate then had to present a speech on this question.

Following the speeches a primary was held within the Council to limit the candidates to two for each office. The primary was presided over by the present Council officers, Steve Coffman, president; Sharon Csernits, vice-president; and Pat Miller, secretary-treasurer.

Candidates for the president,

Bruce and Dave win in northern Indiana's speech eliminations

Bruce BonDurant and Dave Rodibaugh carried the honors for Riley last Saturday in the regional elimination of the Indiana High School Forensic Association's speech contest held at Concord, Indiana. They were in competition with students from all over northern Indiana.

Bruce won a second place award in the Extemporaneous Speaking division, and Dave won third place in the Discussion division. They will both go on to compete on the state level at Indianapolis on April 29.

In order to qualify to enter the regional contest, each participant had to first win either a first, second, or third place award in the district contest held March 11 at LaPorte.

Other Riley students who qualified to enter the regional contest, but who did not win awards were Tom Wrasse, Linda Capps, Gary Marvel, Charlotte Deepe, Fred Rosenfeld, Henry Solmer, and Bob Lerman.

All of these students are members of either the Speech Class or the Debate Club, both of which are sponsored by Mr. Charles Goodman.

who must be a senior during his term, were Sharon Csernits and Richard Wadsworth. Curt Wooley, Rebecca Perkey, Betty Neuman, Mike Sipotz, and Janet Burkholder were the candidates for vice-president. Candidates for secretary-treasurer were Judy Arch, Marty Radanovich, Nita Hawley, and Kathy Hojnacki.

Winners of the primary were Sharon Csernits and Richard Wadsworth, president; Curt Wooley and Janet Burkholder, vice-president; and Judy Arch and Nita Hawley, secretary-treasurer.

These six nominees will be voted on following an assembly, to be presented April 21, in which each candidate and his campaign manager will give a speech stating the candidates views and plans.

Steve Coffman and Pat Miller, who are in charge of the voting, announce that the voting will take place on a volunteer basis.

Annual fashion show being planned by charm class people

The time is May 13 at 1 o'clock, the place is Morris Auditorium, and the occasion is "AFS Afloat," a style show presented by "Teen-O-Scope" and sponsored by the Downtown Business Council and the Department of Public Recreation.

The show will be in three scenes and will emphasize talent as much as fashion. Model try-outs will be in Morris Auditorium at 4 o'clock on April 19. Kathy Hojnacki, Riley chairman, announced the need for a master of ceremonies, preferably a boy. All boys interested in being models should contact John Byers.

Assisting Kathy as co-chairmen are Kim Powers and Laurie Yoder. Other committee chairmen are: Sally Yoder, script; Kathy Horvath, hostesses; Gail Howes, tickets; Sharon Berta, publicity; and Jill Swanson, programs.

Don't let it happen to you!

Well, it's that time of year again. Now that almost three-fourths of the school year is finished, the school is being invaded by that dread disease—senioritis! Each year at this time students (more particularly seniors) are hit by this craze—spring fever, if you'd like to call it that. And what exactly happens? Well, they decide to take things a little more easily—homework, that is. Knowing that graduation is so near makes it tempting to try to slacken in their studies. Many seniors take on a certain sophisticated "I don't care what happens now" attitude. And the result of all of this? Many Rileyites fail to produce according to their abilities, and this is a loss to the school as well as to them.

Now, this isn't something which is characteristic of Riley, alone. This same situation is occurring in many high schools throughout the country. However, just the fact that it is widespread does not at all condone it.

If all students, and especially seniors, would stop to think for a moment. They have the whole summer before them in which they can relax, and these last seven or eight weeks should not be wasted. It isn't easy to overcome "senioritis," but if students really try, they can do it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

We are two senior girls who would like to issue a complaint. Our complaint is concerned with the escapades in Ford Lauderdale two weeks ago. Both around school and in our own city we have heard and read comments from adults who think the whole situation is very scandalous; they say that the only people down there are those with low morals.

However, we don't think this is true. This week vacation is just a chance for these students to let off steam, so to speak. They have been working hard all year in their particular universities and this is the first break from routine that they could enjoy; it's no wonder then that they acted up a bit. Sure it's true that some things go on that shouldn't; however, not all of the students are involved in these things, and it's not fair to stereotype the whole group as "bad."

We wish that these adults who have been so critical would stop to examine the situation a little more closely before they are so quick to condemn. Some of the students down there are among the finest in our universities. Let's be a little more fair to the U.S. college student.

Disgusted

People of the "times"

Dave Gapski

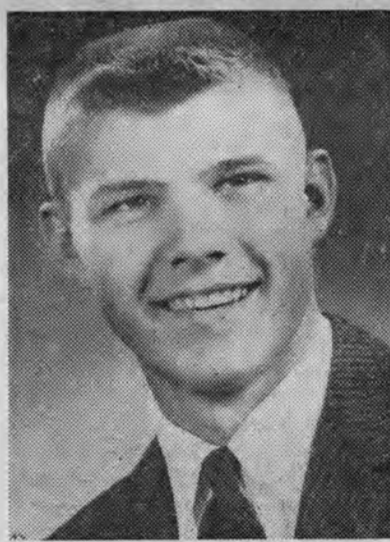
By JOHNETTE FRICK

"My most memorable moments were: my home run in the Adams baseball game; being awarded the 'most valuable player' award in baseball in my junior year; and the American Legion state baseball finals," said Dave Gapski.

Dave's activities are: baseball, basketball, bowling, Monogram Club, Booster Club, a part-time job at a florist shop, and his church youth group. His hobbies are tennis, dancing, and dating.

He is taking Geometry III, sociology, economics, and business

communication. He plans to attend Western Michigan University or Indiana University to prepare



for a profession in business or teaching.

Dave, whose nickname is "Gabby," thinks the All Night Senior Prom is "an excellent plan. I think that the Senior Class has left many new ideas which could be developed into traditions, such as the Junior Class Paper Drive, Senior Day on February 14, the Senior Class Picnic, and the All Night Senior Prom."

Having organized and led the senior boys' cheering section at the football games last fall, Dave was teased as being "our other varsity cheerleader." He urges everyone to show more enthusiasm for all Riley activities and says: "In sports, the boys get out and play the game, and it is the girls' duty to boost their morale by cheering them on."

His pet peeve is "the fact that on many schools projects, very few people work on them and then many others take the credit for their success, having done little or nothing themselves."

Dave advises underclassmen: "Don't wait until your senior year to study."

Dave's funniest experience was playing the part of a fairy—short skirt, magic wand, and all—in the Senior Play.

ODDS and ENDS

By SUE VICKERY

Happy week after spring vacation! Aside from finishing term papers, preparing for Easter, and generally living it up, the week was fairly leisurely and provided plenty of opportunities to catch up on the latest sounds in popular music.

The swingin' sound of Marty Robbins' **Don't Worry** not only provided good listening but also plenty of heated discussion concerning the instrument that is featured in the song. The explanations I've heard have ranged all the way from a baritone sax to an amplified Jew's harp. Finally good old Mort Crowley, the dirty old man of WLS land, revealed on his D.J. show that the instrument is an amplified guitar whose amplifier was on the blink. The sound was swingin'; they kept it, and now Marty Robbins is the proud owner of his biggest hit since White Sport Coat.

Etta James, who was the female vocalist in the team of Etta and Harvey who made **If I Can't Have You**, seems to be doing quite well on her own. Just a few months ago, Etta had a big hit in **At Last** and now **Trust in Me** is gaining rapidly in popularity. The Room Mates, the group that accompanied Kathy Jean in **A Thousand Stars**, have also gone out on their own and are doing well with their current hit, **The Glory of Love**.

Another neat song that is catching on in the eastern part of the country and is growing in popularity westward is **Del Shannon's Runaway**.



ON THE AVENUE

By PAT and GEORGIA

Hi, Gang!

Gosh, wasn't vacation just wonderful—the only thing wrong was that it should have been two or three weeks long! Not really, we're just kidding; it's good to be back again. Just think of all the things we have to look forward to: tests, themes, term reports and all sorts of fun like this! There really are some things to look forward to: the Junior and Senior Proms, Baccalaureate, and then finally commencement. (We're really not sure, however, whether we're looking forward to commencement.) Well, anyhow, on with the gab!

O. T. A.

We were pleased to notice that one of our former Rileyites, **Bev Rupel**, was chosen queen at a recent rainbow dance. Bev was a member of last year's graduating class.

O. T. A.

Another member of last year's graduating class, **Bob Vuckovich**, one of Riley's tennis aces, was home last week on leave from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station; he just finished his basic training, and he will now report to Rhode Island.

O. T. A.

The seniors who went on the senior trip reported that they had many hilarious escapades; however, there were so many that we decided to devote a whole feature story to it. We have to confess at this time that we had two spies working for us on the trip, and they promised to bring a full account of the occurrences. Who

were they? **Bob Bernhardt** and **Gerry Reinke**! Say, Gerry, did Tom know that you were working for us?

O. T. A.

The South Bend Public Library will now probably be empty of Riley students; or at least they won't be as crowded as they were prior to this Friday. Why? Well, today was D-day for Riley seniors; all term reports were handed in today. And aren't we all glad that that's over with!

This is just to remind all students that if they have any news about former Rileyites which might be of interest to the student body, they should bring them into the staff room (room 302).

O. T. A.

Say, **Ron Foster**, how did you manage to get yourself into the senior trip picture in two places. Ron was both on the left side and right side of the picture. That's pretty clever, Ron, how did you manage to do that?

O. T. A.

For any seniors who might be interested: There are only about thirty more school days left until graduation. If you are interested in how many more days until the senior prom, just ask senior **Nela Peterson**; she's got it all figured out!

O. T. A.

Just for the interest of the seniors who went on the trip: It seems that **Phyllis Copeland**, who was on Mr. Webb's bus, is ill with the MUMPS!! So if you haven't had them get prepared.

Seniors spend fun loaded week in the East

By Gerry Reinke and Judy Skiles

All aboard! At 5 o'clock on Easter Sunday afternoon, fifty-two seniors and four adults boarded two chartered buses to begin the 1961 version of the Senior Class trip. No one had any idea as to what was going to happen during the week-long excursion to Washington and New York City—but think of anything because it happened.

Sleep in racks

During the course of the night on the bus Mike Terhune and Tom Lytle decided it was too crowded sleeping in the seats, so they spent the early morning hours in the luggage racks.

After spending a "wonderful" night on the buses, we arrived at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. We imagine Mike Terhune couldn't find enough monuments on the battlefield because he was seen posing on one of the rocks at Little Round Top for Dave Fitz and Tom Wrasse.

But that wasn't all the silly times at Gettysburg. Our group climbed to the top of a 75-foot tower overlooking the home of ex-President Eisenhower. However, due to his acrophobia Bob Bernhardt didn't get to the top. Playing the role of a "dirty old man," Tom Lytle decided his corns hurt too much. So he threw his shoes to the bottom of the tower to "Bubbles" who promptly stuffed them into one of the Civil War cannons.

Cruise down Potomac

We proceeded to Washington, finally arriving at the "correct" motel about 5:30. Our first night in Washington was really swingin'. While cruising down the Potomac we danced to the music of "The Rhythmairs" from Washington. During the trip we stopped at an amusement park that featured a huge Roller Coaster. Just ask Ka-

thy Hadrack. She went on it by herself!

While in Washington we visited the Capitol, the Smithsonian Institute, The Lincoln Memorial, the changing of the guards at Arlington National Cemetery, and the Iwo Jima Memorial. We also climbed to the top of the Washington Monument. Manning Fish was the first one up. He climbed the 898 steps in fourteen minutes. Close behind in fourteen minutes and twenty seconds were Tom Boyden, Linda Wach, and Phyllis Copeland.

Don't pick flowers

Linda Wach also found out that you don't pick flowers at Mount Vernon. She did and spent thirty minutes trying to ditch the gardener.

On Wednesday we left Washington for Annapolis. We toured the Academy (the only tour the girls really seemed to enjoy) and watched the Midshipmen march to lunch.

We arrived at the Hudson Hotel in New York about two hours late, which was nothing new because we hadn't been on time since the trip began. That night we were supposed to meet in the hotel lobby at 7:00 to go to the Radio City Music Hall. But Judy Skiles and Gerry Reinke didn't make it. They go to the lobby late and stood around waiting for everyone, thinking they were early. They finally got the Hall and along with thousands of other people enjoyed the movie and stage show put on by the Rockettes.

Had free time

Thursday afternoon, after a morning of free time, we took a yacht trip around Manhattan Island.

Thursday night we went to the Village Barn, a night club in Greenwich Village. During the

floor show, four senior clowns, Tom Lytle, Chuck Keiser, Bob Bernhardt, and Virginia Freund, helped out the performers by participating in some games along with kids from Ohio, Wisconsin, and Indiana. The show was completed with dancing to the band of Lew Harold.

Tour Chinatown

Friday morning we toured the U.N. and went to Chinatown and to the top of the Empire State Building for a view as far as your eyes could see. The afternoon was open. Most of us went shopping while others went swimming and relaxed for the long trip home.

We were supposed to meet at 8:00 in the lobby to begin our trip home. After boarding the buses and counting noses it was discovered that eight noses were missing. After much searching the missing eight were found at the Copacabana Night Club. Among the missing were Mike Terhune, Sue Harmon, Tom Boyden, Sue Kimmel, Dave Fitz, Kay Matthews, Dave Mossman, and Charlotte Downey. After an hour's delay we left the big city for South Bend.

Bus breaks down

At two Saturday morning, after stopping at a Howard Johnson's on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, the bus driven by Linda Wach's favorite driver, Don Grove, developed transmission trouble. The trouble took nine hours to fix. So, after being towed down the Turnpike to the town of Carlisle and getting the trouble fixed, the bus got rolling again. The bus chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Olson arrived in South Bend at 5:00 while Mr. Webb's unfortunate bus came chugging in at 9:00, just a measly nine hours late.

All in all, we had a blast. Just ask any of the fifty-two seniors that went.

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Senator Knowsall goes literary this week; also advises boy how to save some money

Dear Senator,

More and more I am finding myself with nothing to do in my moments of leisure time. What do you suggest that I do to while away these boring moments of inactivity?

—Father Time

Dear Father Time,

Reading is an excellent way to pass away your "boring moments of inactivity." Should you ever decide to take an interest in reading, I have compiled a list of books that you might find of interest. The list is as follows:

1. **How to Start a Riot**—by Fidel and Raul Castro
 2. **101 Things to Make with Human Skin**—by Dr. Skinemwell
 3. **Why Do People Hate Me?**—by Adolf Eichmann
 4. **You Too Can Have a Hobby**—by Tommy Manville
 5. **Traveling West**—by a group of envious East Germans
 6. **You Too Can Go to Hong Kong**—by Jack Paar
 7. **How to Get Up in the World**—by the seven astronauts
 8. **Touch Football Can be Fun**—by the Kennedy boys
 9. **Losing Can be Fun**—by Richard Nixon
 10. **How to Get In and Out of a Volkswagen**—by James Arness
 11. **Sometimes You Just Can't Win**—by Hirohito
 12. **Five Ways to Trap a Boy**—by Sue Vickery
 13. **I'll Get a Charge Out of This**—by Carl Chessman
 14. **Lynching as a Community Project**—by the Ku Klux Klan
 15. **Who Said I Chickened Out?**—by Ed Sullivan
 16. **How to Keep from Losing Your Head**—by Marcus Tullius Cicero
 17. **It Only Hurts for a Little While**—by the Department of Internal Revenue
 18. **The Truth About Senator Knowsall**—by the Hi-Times staff
 19. **Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star**—by Frank Dreighton and Bill Etherton
 20. **The Art of Chariot Racing**—by Ben Hur and Messala
- Senator Knowsall

Dear Senator,

Normally I am not a big spender, so when my girl suggested Shula's the other night—"Wow"! I like the girl, but what can I do to save some money and keep from going broke?

—Small Spender

Dear Cheapskate,

Why waste money on expensive places when you can watch TV at your girl's house for nothing?

—Senator Knowsall

P.S. The popcorn's free too.

Q.E.D.

By

TOM FRANK and TOM HOLMES

Answers to last week's problems:

1. Twice the year 1944
2. 16 eggs
3. 1917 (or one thousand nine hundred seventeen nickels are worth \$95.85).

Winners:

1. Ron Kronewitter and Ralph Watson
2. Ralph Watson, Manning Fish and Mike Gallagher
3. Jack Muller and Bob Master-son

Now here is a problem that can win for you next week's **HI-TIMES**.

You are planning to run a tennis tournament. You will draw each of the contestants' names and place him on a schedule of pairings for the first round of the tournament. After the first round is played the winners will be paired off for the second round and so on until you have eliminated all but one of the men who wins. If, in any round, there is an odd number of men, one man will go into the next round automatically. In addition several of the persons participating in this tournament have other obligations and will have to be matched together in order to let them play the first thing in the morning.

There are 281 men registered to play in the tournament, of which 37 have other obligations. If you need one can of tennis balls for each match between two different players, how many cans of tennis balls do you need, and how do you figure this out?

When you think you have the answer to the required number of problems, write down the answers and the method by which you ascertained it, along with your name and homeroom. Bring your entry to room 302 by 3:25 today. Answers without solutions can not be accepted.

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Riley pitcher discusses game of baseball; tells about each player's responsibilities

By BOB RICKEL

I like baseball because it is a fast moving game. It keeps me interested through the whole contest. The pitcher is often the main attraction because he has to pitch everytime a man comes to the

plate. Observers eye him cautiously to see what types of pitches he is using, and how he is pitching to particular hitters.

A base-runner is also watched carefully to see if he is going to steal or try to hit and run with the batter. If he steals, people notice the type of slide he uses, which can be a hook slide, sit down stand up slide, or just a head first dive.

Hardest job

Fans also view the catcher because he has the hardest job in the ball park, as hard as that of the home plate umpire. People watch the catcher to see what particular signals he is using or where he is having the pitcher throw a particular pitch. It is a very difficult task for the catcher because he has to give the signals and then catch the pitch no matter where the pitcher throws it. The catcher gives the signal. It can be a fast-ball, curve, slider, drop, knuckler, fork, or even an inshoot, this leaves much doubt to the catcher. He doesn't know whether the pitch will come to him, go high over his head, low and into the dirt or wide out of his reach. For these reasons a catcher must be ready at all times, and must be prepared to work very hard.

Colorful game

Another thing about baseball is the fact that you never know what is going to happen next. There is something different and spectacular in every game. Errors and tremendous catches keep you in suspense until the final out. Pinch runners and relief pitchers also add color to the game. Perhaps the most controversial thing in baseball is the spitball. This is a pitch which seems to drop due to the moisture on the ball, and for some reason it is illegal. Another weapon used by the pitcher is the duster, which is a pitch used to brush the batter back. It is to keep the hitter from digging in and getting set for the next pitch.

Last chance

The game of baseball also proves to be very interesting because the game is never over until the last man is out. There is always that last chance for your team to come from behind and win. This seems to make the game the great sport that it is today.

Baseball tournament

A state baseball tournament would greatly decrease the cost of the athletic program, and could lower the city's taxes. Only ten miles north of South Bend, Niles High School in Michigan has to discontinue all of its athletic program because the taxes would be too high. Let's get a state baseball tournament and roll the profits in, lest the same thing should happen to Indiana.

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Club News

Spanish Club

At the present, Spanish Club is busy planning a program for Assembly II on April 28. At the beginning of the assembly, a brief movie will be presented to the audience in order to acquaint it with Aztec legends.

Dave Mossman, president of the club, will narrate the play, which is also on Aztec legends. Since the dramatization will be in Spanish, it will be translated by Karen Walling.

Chairman of this event is Elizabeth Fields. Besides the officers, her committee is composed of Pamela DeBuck, Pat Ulloa, and Sybille Waizenegger.

In the middle of May, the club's annual progressive dinner will be held. New officers for next year will be elected on this occasion.

To conclude the year's activities, the group is anticipating a beach party to be held June 3. Details for this event haven't been completed as yet.

French Club

French Club is interested in new members. At the beginning of the year, eligibility restrictions were set because of the large number interested. Since then, club membership has declined due to several circumstances. Any sophomore, junior, or senior who has or is taking French is welcome to join.

The last meeting, April 12th, was a "Poisson d'Avril" meeting. Poisson d'Avril is a French celebration something like our April Fool's Day. Translated it means "April Fish." Special invitations have been sent to new members.

Another upcoming event of the French Club is the Chicago trip, to take place this year May 13th.

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CAT... TALES

By BOB LERMAN

Again, the cold spring weather is hurting the spring sports' attempt to get off the ground. This is particularly distressing to Riley fans since the Cats have fine baseball and golf teams and an improving track squad.

Not only are the fans put at a disadvantage, but also the teams face difficulties while playing in inclement weather. It is true that both teams are hindered. But it is also true that the poorer team, inferior in the usual good weather, tends to benefit from the weather by narrowing the gap between the two teams.

Let's hope the weather clears up so that the better team and the fans both win.

C. T.

Even though the major league seasons are just under way, these predictions are pre-season ones. (They were made last Sunday, honest.)

Honest Bob's Prognostications

NATIONAL LEAGUE

1. Braves
2. Pirates
3. Giants
4. Dodgers
5. Cubs
6. Cardinals
7. Phillies
8. Reds

AMERICAN LEAGUE

1. White Sox
2. Orioles
3. Yankees
4. Indians
5. Twins
6. Tigers
7. Red Sox
8. Athletics
9. Senators
10. Angels

C. T.

In the fight for the American League pennant, the Sox will come out on top because of the improved pitching staff and an improved Sherm Lollar. Cal McLish, Herb Score, Bob Shaw, and Juan Pizarro all look to have good enough years to put the Sox in the 1961 World Series.

Milwaukee will win the pennant if they find needed relief pitching help. The bull pen, when strengthened, will, along with a vastly improved infield, give the Braves the N.L. pennant.

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Cats edge Panthers, 9-8, in season debut; host Eagles, Maroons

Coach Doug Simpson's varsity nine opened the year with a typical season opener, topping Washington, 9-8. The game, played last Friday afternoon at the new Washington diamond, saw both teams hurting themselves with errors, walks, and weak pitching.

The Cats had to spot the Washington nine four runs as three hits, a walk, and two errors gave the Panthers a first inning lead. Meeting the challenge, Riley came right back with seven big runs in the second. Hal Widener and Jim Niemann got key hits as the Wildcats took advantage of Bob Hadrick's wildness.

After Riley chased Hadrick, Mark Wheeler relieved and held the Cats in check the rest of the game giving up only two unearned runs in five and two-thirds innings.

Widener, who started, was victimized by a few bad breaks in the first but settled down to finish his three-inning stint. Dave Gapski turned in a fine performance in finishing the final four innings. Allowing only single unearned runs in the fifth and seventh, Gapski exhibited fine control as he picked up the victory.

In an abbreviated practice game a week ago last Wednesday afternoon at Riley, the Cats stopped Greene Township, 6-3. Bob Rickel started, allowed only one earned run, and retired after three frames. Mopping up the four inning affair was Don Ellison.

The inclement weather seems to have caught the diamond boys again this season. Monday's game with Elkhart was postponed until Wednesday. But it had to be put off to a later date because of rain.

Divot-diggers hold three qualifying rounds; Jim Jewell sets new qualifying record

By MARC CARMICHAEL

After the first qualifying rounds the following boys remain on the starting team: Jim Jewell, Bob Beck, Skip Hehm, Jim Peterson, and Al Boulanger.

Junior Jim Jewell held the spotlight as he paced the field with a fine 215 total for the 54-hole round. Jewell came through with 18-hole totals of a par 70, 72, and 73 for the low total. This appears to be a Riley High School record as far as qualifying rounds are concerned.

Qualifying behind Jewell was the only other returning letterman, Senior Bob Beck. Beck fired a 235 to make the starting five. Freshman Skip Helm took third

spot with a 240 total for the 54 holes. Jim Peterson laid claim to the fourth man position, completing the course with a 248. Al Boulanger then hit a 252 to round out the starting five.

These will be the positions the other golfers will be shooting for as the season progresses. The Barnbrook crew's next encounter will be with Adams and Michigan City at Erskine, April 18.

Bees fall in season opener to Panthers; begin defense of title

Coach Dick Thompson's B-team baseball squad bowed to Washington, 7-3, last Friday afternoon at the new Panthers diamond. This nonconference tilt was the B-Cats' season opener.

Dick Newport started on the mound for Riley. He, however, didn't have the best of luck; and soon the Bees were down, 7-0. The Riley nine rallied, but the three runs it could muster were both too few and too late.

The Bees, defending Eastern Northern Indiana Conference Champions, begin loop play next Tuesday when they play host to Adams. The Thompson crew meets Mishawaka Wednesday in another home engagement. However, this game will be nonconference.

From the beginning of the season, the B-team has faced two serious disadvantages. First, the team has no diamond on which to play. The Studebaker diamonds are now non-existent and efforts to fix up the diamonds have moved slowly into a big task.

Secondly, the team has few, if any, returnees from last year's fine squad. The Bees will improve steadily as the season progresses but they now face a difficult road.

Cats begin defense of NIHSC title next week against Adams

By BOB LERMAN

In quest of another two victories, Coach Doug Simpson's baseball squad will host Adams and Mishawaka next week at the Riley bowl.

Adams, who meets the Wildcats next Tuesday in the E.N.I.H.S.C. opener for both teams, is strengthened by eight returning lettermen. Coach Don Truex, in his first season heading baseball, is not too optimistic about his team's chances. However, senior battery twins Jerry and Larry Harris are two big reasons why the Eagles will be a formidable foe.

Dave Sink and Jerry Brimes, both letter winners, round out the top three pitching posts. Other lettermen being counted on to carry the load include Frank Mock, first base; Kurt Eichorst, catching and first base; Jim Hull, shortstop; and Bill Roberts, outfield.

The Cavemen meet the Cats in a non-conference affair next Wednesday. Their top hurlers, Dick Witkowski and Gary Signorino, are being counted on heavily to keep the other teams in check.

Although Mishawaka has only two other returning letter winners, John Taylor and Ben Hurst, Coach George Wilson is optimistic about this season. He hopes to see a great improvement over last year's unsuccessful 5-10 campaign.

The Riley nine, this year, again seems to have the pitching and the hitting. With the 1-2 punch of Bob Rickel and Hal Widener, plus the strong arm of Dave Gapski, the defending champions' pitching seems in good shape. The all-around hitting is also good.

The defense of the Cats, however, should be improved. This improvement seems quite probable as the team experience and the weather gets better.

Adult Boosters hold annual spring banquet; Perkins, Hostetler, Buchanan win awards

By MARC CARMICHAEL

At the adult Booster Club banquet, honoring the athletes participating in winter sports, awards to the most valuable, most improved and most loyal players were presented.

In basketball, the gold award was given to Senior Jim Perkins. Most Improved Player went to Junior Byers. Also, Hal Widener received the free throw award, and Jim Jewell the same in B-team basketball.

In swimming, Most Valuable Player award, of course, went to All-American and State Champion backstroke Dave Buchanan. Jack Marsh received the most improved award. In recognition of their winning of the conference championship, the members of the swim team were also presented with

conference medals, as was the baseball team last year.

In wrestling, the most valuable player award went to Larry Hostetler, most loyal award to John Nimtz.

Besides these awards, Mr. Gerry Reinke presented the Kiwanis awards for football and basketball. Tom Mannen received the award in football, Jim Perkins the basketball award.

Mr. Steve Horvath, coach of the Marlin Swim Club, was main speaker at the affair. Mr. Bill Garden was toastmaster.



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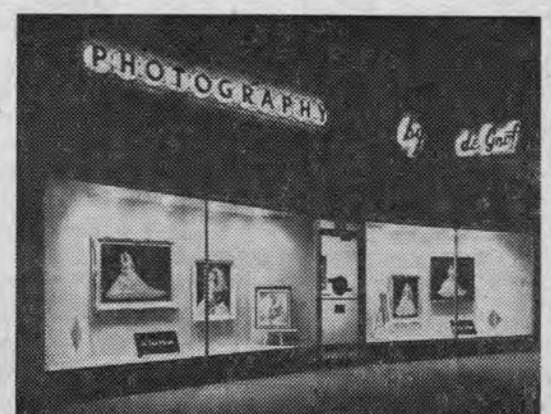
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