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Student Council Discusses Additional Members

Questionnaires sent to each家庭 concerning a proposed amendment to the Student Council Constitution regarding the basis for electing Senators and with a degree of communication between the Council and the students revealed that an overwhelming majority of the student body were in favor of the new reform and were dissatisfied with the present relations between the Student Council and the students themselves.

At the present time, seven Senators are allowed for each grade with the division of five for the September class and two for the January class having evolved over the years. The new proposal calls for one Senator for each 50 students, which would bring the number of elected Senators in the Council to about 35—an increase of 16 over the present number. The actual vote total on the questionnaires was 1,283 votes 'yes' and 271 votes 'no', or approximately a ratio of 4.1 to 1 in favor of the new amendment.

On such questionnaire a space was left at the bottom for comments, and in the majority of cases where a student voiced his opinion, an even greater number of representatives, such as one Senator for each 35 students, was suggested.

The other questionnaire that was sent out concerning the Student Council consisted of five questions, asking the students whether it communicated effectively with the student body, if the summates alone can give the students enough information about the council, and if the Senators expressed the opinions of the students. The last question concerned how much each student felt he knew about council activities. There were 916 questionnaires marked either with all no's or a clear majority of no's and 47 which were marked all yes's.

At the bottom of the questionnaire was a space for comments, and some of the ones most frequently mentioned include: more Senators for each grade; Student Council information room where information about its activities would be available; questionnaires each week to keep up

on the opinions of the student body; and an assembly for the Council either an open meeting or one to explain what it is doing. Two complaints most frequently listed were that the minutes of the meeting were not being read to the homecoming, and that the opinions of the students were not represented.

Student Council To Gain More Senators

In a precedent-shattering move on February 28, the Student Council voted to change completely its basis for representation by assigning one senator to each 50 students in a class. This action was followed with a decision to hold special elections within two weeks to fill the vacancies created by the change.

Leading to this was the series of Council questionnaires distributed between February 11 and 13 in homes. On the last of these, students indicated in a 4:1 vote their approval of an enlargement of the Council with each grade given one senator for every 30 members.

A meeting held after school on February 27 ended in deadlock after an hour of heated debate on whether or not to amend the Student Council Charter on such a basis. The issue was tabled until fourth period the next day. The amendment was finally held at that meeting by a large majority.

This reform will give the 12A class one or two more senators, the 11A class about two more, the 11B class one more, the 10A class about five more, and the 10B class one more.

Elections for 10B senators, usually held in the third week of the second marking period, will be at the same time as the special elections in the other classes.

Creditors have better memories than Debtors.

Student Teachers Working At DHS

Dearborn High's eight student teachers are demonstrating the value of on-the-job experience in learning a profession. The eight students, who represent four Michigan universities, will complete their terms of teaching at various times in March.

Irene Pascoe is a student at the University of Detroit. She is working in the social studies department with Miss Wagner and Mr. Guregian.

Wayne State University claims three of the student teachers. Marlan Avakian is working with Mr. Hirn in the art department. Helping Mrs. Kopp in business education is Dorothy Slosky. Leslie Neuman is working in social studies with Mr. Rials.

Dorothy Miller and Jaine Hengstebek are representing the University of Michigan. Mr. Hengstebek is working with Mr. Guregian in social studies. Mr. Colliger is finding Miss Miller a help with his English classes.

Nancy Engel and Jon Penn are from Central Michigan University. Miss Engel is working with Mr. Valentine in speech, while Mr. Penn is helping Mr. Lanz in social studies.

Juniors Begin Prom Plans

The Junior Class is busy planning their prom to be held, May 3, in the Redwood Room.

A theme song and colors for the dance have not yet been decided upon. Some of the suggestions have been: Gone With the Wind, Tonight, Somewhere, Days of Wine and Roses, Some Enchanted Evening, and others. Suggestions for colors have been green and white, burgundy and pearl, blue and white, dark blue and light blue, and a number of other combinations.

Any 11B or 11A desiring to work on one of the various committees can sign up on one of the lists posted on the bulletin board in the Junior Lounge.

The committees for the Junior Prom are: band, favors, decorations, refreshments, invitations, publicity, and tickets.

Synchronettes Plan Show

"Moods in Music" is to be the theme for the synchronized swimming show which will be given by the Dearborn High Synchronettes in May.

The first water show presented at DHS is supervised by Miss Hoover, Dearborn's newest addition to the girls' physical education department. Working hard to develop their swimming talents are 49 girls. In addition to the swimmers, 26 other girls will be involved in the production.

In groups of their choosing, the girls are responsible for their own choreography which will be finished in two weeks. Then the girls will be perfecting their routines.

At the present time they use the pool whenever the Tankers aren't using it, but as of March, they will use it more often. Then the practices will be full speed ahead.

Sophomores Compete In Declamation Contest

On March 15, several DHS sophomores will compete in the Dearborn High local semi-finals of the Declamation Speech Contest.

The six top winners of the semi-finals will then represent DHS at the local finals on March 21.

(A declamation speech is one that has been written and given previously by someone else.)

The entries may choose any speech that is completely comprehensible to them, that fulfills the time requirement, and does not deal with domesticity.

After the speech is selected, it must be memorized and given by the speaker as though it were his own.

The contestants will then be judged according to their conversational style, poise, posture, and gestures.

Seniors Hold Car Wash

The senior class will sponsor a St. Patrick's car wash Saturday, March 16 at Manufacturer's National Bank on the corner of Sheridan and Telegraph. The car wash will be open all day. Being St. Pat's Day, green cars will cost \$7.50 while all others will cost \$9.99.

DHS Offers Scholarships

Did you know that Dearborn High offers a scholarship to deserving students who might not otherwise get one? A one-year tuition scholarship to any state-supported school is offered to sincere, hardworking students who, for substantial reasons, haven't had the time to get the academic average required for most scholarships.

The Dearborn High Scholarship Fund began in the late 1930's when the Varsity Club left some money for a loan fund. When no one borrowed the money, they changed it to a scholarship fund, and the first award was made in 1946. Money left over from athletic activities and contributions from the senior classes were donated to the fund.

Last year Cheryl Steffler won the scholarship. Other winners in recent years were Bonnie Fraser, Bonnie Bone, Sue Danville, Marilyn Miller, and Carol Twork.

Applications are obtained from the counselors and are reviewed by a committee of teachers. Miss Guelher heads the group which consists of Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Graves, Mr. Gwinnett, Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Woods, and Mr. Yee. Mr. Young and Mr. Challis sit in.

Latin Club Sponsor Auction

Recently the Latin Club held its annual Scotch Auction, open to all students, in room B19.

Club members each brought in a package, wrapped and suitably camouflaged, so no one knew what he was buying.

President and auctioneer, Sue King, sold a variety of goodies from a small can of hair spray to a plastic dog.

Mary Kay Murray became the proud owner of a towel calendar and a box of old Halloween candy.

Sue King bought a blob of flimbeau; Diane Broome acquired books on handwriting analysis and etiquette.

All in all, an enjoyable time was had by everyone who attended.

DHS Students Claim Many Art Awards

Artistic talent was recently displayed by the students of Dearborn High who competed in the 1963 Scholastic Art Contest.

The contest, held in a six-county area, had a total of 4,094 entries. Crowley's auditorium is now displaying 1,024 of these.

Scholastic Art Awards offer art scholarships to promising high school students.

These scholarships are limited to seniors. To enter the student must send a portfolio of 8-12 samples of his work.

From Dearborn High, Dennis Hubbard was nominated for an art scholarship.

Other Dearborn High award winners fell in 19 classifications—ranging from oils and fashion design to sculpture and jewelry. There are three possible honors: blue ribbon, gold key, and certificates of merit.

They are as follows:

Blue Ribbons

Pottery—Richard Bevak, Dennis Hubbard, Marlene Maskeny, and Vaughn Stewart

Gold Key Awards

College—Frederick Alvey
Illustration—Kay Dulsois
Pottery—Dennis Hubbard (3),
Marlene Maskeny, and Vaughn Stewart

Certificates

Opaque Water Colors—Anne Marlotta

Pencil Drawing—Thomas Mc Cracken (2), Michael Padgett (2)
Drawing Inks—Thomas Mc Cracken

Collage—Dyanne Hildebrand, Hiroko Kushida, Nan Schroeder (2)

Supreme Court Reverses Breach Of Peace

"Congress shall make no law . . . abridging the freedom of speech . . . or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances." This constitutional guarantee was upheld late in February when the Supreme Court reversed breach of peace convictions against 187 Negroes arrested for demonstrating against segregation in South Carolina.

Freedom of speech is one of our most hallowed rights, since it protects the privilege to hold an unpopular opinion. In this case, South Carolina's denial of it in arresting the Negro students was so obvious that only one justice—the eternal conservative, Tom Clark, opposed the reversal. The fallacy of his widespread argument is worth examining.

Clark, first, acknowledged that the black had a right to peaceable assembly, but he commented in his dissent, "The manner in which they exercised those rights was by no means the passive demonstration which this court relates." This, of course, implies that the students themselves were disorderly and riotous.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Like many civil rights demonstrations in the South, the incident was marked by the Negroes' refusal to use violence. Rather, the white racist mob that gathered to bait them were the ones who threatened to start a riot. By Justice Clark's logic, then, either the racists should be jailed, or whenever someone petitions for a redress so unpopular that

Yearbook Going To Germany

The German Club is now working on a second yearbook. This collection of photographs and descriptions will be unique, however, because only one will be produced. This one copy is being prepared for the DHS sister school in Germany.

DHS school and students activities form the basis of the annual which

Design for Fashion—Madeleine is to be completed by the end of March.

A similar book was recently received from Germany. It is now on display in the German showcase in room B17.

Demo

Pottery—Dennis Hubbard (7), Marlene Maskeny, Vaughn Stewart

mob riots, he is liable for disturbing the peace. The Justice would be hard to choose.

Clark wrote, "To say that police may not intervene until the riot has occurred is like keeping the doctor until the patient dies." The Justice misses the point. To allow unwarranted police intervention is, rather, to encourage mob violence at the expense of the down-trodden.

Tractors Plow Cagers In District A Race

Dearborn came out on the short end of the low scoring 38-34, district championship against the Tractors of Fordson.

The Tractors controlled the boards and most of the jumps as the Hungry Eastenders came in strong to stop the Pioneers. Their big quarter was the third as the orange and black were tied under five points.

Fordson was in the game until two Fordson baskets with less than a minute remaining put the game out of reach.

Senior guard Jon Allen playing his last round-ball game at DHS, hit four points. Fordson had the higher scorers as two men reached thirteen.

There is only one Huron-Rogers team left in the state tourney. Lincoln Park won over Taylor Center to keep their hopes alive.

Powerful Benton Harbor, highly ranked team in the state, was upset Saturday night to kill their chances for the state Class A championship.

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Synfo News

by Hyno Hews

Hmm, you don't say; well I do and here's how to decipher the cat-
chy little title. Synfo stands for syndicated and Hyno goes along with news forming, yup, Synfo News by Hyno Hews.

Judging from the mailing list, ole D.H.S. has quite a reputation. We received papers from the Crimson Review, Concord, New Hampshire to the Madison Messenger, Ahlheim, Texas.

The names of some of these papers are quite unique—Centralia (Bay City Central High School, Trojan Trumpet) (Charleston, Ill.), The Student Prints (Steubens High School, Ohio), and The Arrow (Pueblo College, Pueblo, Colorado).

Judy's column from the Lotus Leaf prompted some "off-beat dates to celebrate!"

March 15 - Buzzard Day
June 1-30 - Mute Your Muffler Month

June 1 - Old Maid's Day
June 29 - Satan's Holiday, celebrated in Hell, Michigan.

You have to watch what you say at St. Ladislus High School and to prove it here are some of the more popular sayings with a double meaning:

Boy: I'm not very hungry.
Translation: I'll have a steak, French fries, salad, pie, and a coke to begin with please.

Girl: My skirt isn't short.
Translation: No! Your knees aren't.

Group of boys: We won't go for a long ride.

Translation: Canada should be beautiful in winter.

Teacher: We'll have a short quiz
Translation: Be prepared to work for the entire period and cover the whole course tomorrow.

That's it for now with a proverb of the every-so-often "He who eats last lunch hour may find a dirty table."

president by 1992" and "Pete Beebe will be an actor" and "Bob Sheets would be wearing tractor treads treds by now."

Did you know that Wendy Drew's pet peeve was "boys" and Pam Clark didn't like "boys who didn't like girls." "Girls who wear leotards" was the pet peeve of Kim Marek and John Dethman. Karen Venditti detested "people who sit in a bathtub while talking on the phone."

Some of our class members' ambitions were certainly perverted. Karen Eckhardt wanted "to marry a millionaire" and Janis Ingles desired "a millionaire, a house in Hawaii, and lots of horses." Joan Kennedy's ambition was a bit more reasonable, "to swin the English Channel."

Embarrassing moments were also numerous. Bill Wright remembered when he "accidentally hit Mr. Young." After "five false starts at a swimming meet," Fritz Beiermeier was quite embarrassed. Kay Johnson won't forget the time "she stood in the corner in Mr. Fisher's room." Cheryl Dittman was embarrassed when she "danced with Mr. Yee at the sock hop." Gail Mills was also in the same position as Cheryl, but she was "jitter-bugging with Mr. Holmes."

Must end here for I see many red-faced fellow seniors coming after me!

on my locker."

That very evening Douglas went to the store and bought a lock for his locker. When he put it on the next day, he exclaimed "Why, it doesn't look bad at all!"

Although great, big, handsome Douglas never got his new jacket back, he did learn to lock his locker. He never lost another item from his locker. He lived happily ever after.

Here is the moral, boys and girls. Take a hint from Douglas—Put a lock on your locker. He who lacks a lock IS surely off his rocker.

Seniors To Sponsor Dance

On March 22, the June Senior Class is sponsoring a stag or drag dance from 8:30 to 11:30 in the Redwood Room.

The theme is "Gone With the Wind," and it will be carried out in decorations. A five-piece band consisting of an electric piano, two electric guitars, a saxophone, and a set of the drums played by Tim Durvis, will provide the music.

The price of the dance is \$2.00 with an activity ticket or \$1.75 without; free refreshments are included.

SPTNSDTWMEDHS Holds First Meeting

On Wednesday, March 13, the first meeting of the S.P.T.N.S.D.T.W.M.E.D.H.S. (The Society for the Preservation of the Tradition of Not Stepping on the "D" Tiles in the West Main Entrances of Dearborn High School) was held in the janitor's workroom next to A-2. Attending were 230 senior and juniors. The President Pro-temp, who wishes to remain anonymous, called the meeting to order at about 8 P.M. As no previous minutes existed, the meeting was open for discussion, debate, and general business. A motion was immediately made by the janitor to find a larger meeting place, seconded by an unidentified junior, who had apparently been trampled by the crowd, and passed overwhelmingly, the only dissenting votes coming from a minority faction of Dial users.

Next a question was raised inquiring about the purpose of the club to which the secretary, who was also the acting president, replied, "...to preserve that age-old tradition of refraining from stepping on those most sacred spots, the 'D' tiles, from sinking into oblivion." This met with general approval and a motion was raised, seconded and carried to base a constitution around that point.

A general discussion was held next in which members discussed their personal experiences with the problem. Even the janitor turned white at one of the members described in horrifying minute detail the time he saw a sophomore casually wiping his mud-sodden feet on the DHS torch; and there wasn't a dry eye in the room when another told of the time she brought her cousin to school and while proudly pointing to the Dearborn High emblem emblazoned majestically in the title, was driven first to rage and then to shame by the sight of a thoughtless clad walk-

ing apathetically over the "D".

At the end of the discussion a motion was made to consider a plan of action. It was seconded and passed unanimously. A senior at the back of the room produced a strong hula rope and suggested that all the violators of the tradition be lynched. Arguments were advanced for and against the plan. A group of boys offered to build a gallows in woodshop if a sufficiently high tree could not be found. A vote was finally held and ended in a tie that had to be broken by the acting vice-president, who was also acting secretary and president. The motion was passed.

Another motion was raised by an unidentified person suggesting that lynching was to good anyway, and a good tar and feather party would do the trick. A short debate followed and a vote was taken. The motion was passed. However, the treasurer, who was also acting secretary, vice-president, and president, informed the members that a collection would have to be taken to buy the tar and feathers, at which another motion that the previous motion be thrown out was immediately raised, seconded, and was passed unanimously.

At 5:30, Fred, the janitor in A-wing, told everyone to leave and as the sergeant-at-arms, who was also acting treasurer, secretary, vice-president, and president, had to go home, the meeting was adjourned.

However, before concluding, the acting president appointed a vigilante committee consisting of nine career behavior problems to "gang up on anyone caught defiling the sacred 'D's."

Bottom picture on page 4 strictly posed

Strictly Senior

While looking through our June 1959 Bryant Mirror, I came across some very interesting quotes, pet peeves, ambitions, predictions, and embarrassing moments!

Betty Cushman predicted that "all members of the 8-2 will be driving Ramblers by 1970." While Wendy Drew was sure, "In 1990, Mr. Watson will be a famous writer." It was also predicted that "Mike Boros will be

A Close Season Leads To League Title Finally

Dearborn High rides the top again, but also, like last year, the eagles are forced to share the league-championship crown. Last season the Wayne Zebras tied the Pioneer "5" for first place in the Huron-Rouge league circuit, and this year Ypsilanti came in the last game, edging Edsel Ford by three points to grab half-share of the top spot.

Wayne almost spoiled all Pioneer hopes in the final game as they crowded the D-men to the game-ending buzzer, finally losing out by one point.

The Pioneers stormed through the first semester with only one league setback behind the near twenty point average per game of Bill Backens and the able rebounding of Larry Goff, both January graduates. Dearborn ended the first half of the year in first place, but were followed by second running Ypsi and Melvindale. The big question was how would the orange and black fare after the loss of their two top hoopers.

At first it seemed to be "nothing," as Jack Gilbreath hit for twenty points, his twin brother Steve nine, thirteen and Chuck Riesner banged in seventeen to overcome a sparked attack from the high potential Panthers of Ypsilanti.

However, the roof of high hopes fell through one week later when the Cardinals of Melvindale beat the Pioneer quintet for the second time of the season which accounted for the only two league losses to that time. A missed free throw as the final buzzer sounded let the Cards slip by with a 43-42 victory.

Dearborn remounted the victory path in the next game as a combined effort came on the floor to put down Lincoln Park. The Pioneers received a scare early in the game as the Rail-splitters, buried deep in the H-R standings, took a first quarter lead and stayed with-in a few points of the leaders to the end.

Then came the big game of the semester as the Pioneers hosted Edsel Ford. After three quarters of slow play, both teams came on strong, but Edsel came on stronger as they went on to victory and put the H-R title up for grabs between every team but Lincoln Park and Wayne.

Finally, the last night of league competition came and Dearborn followers polled for the Pioneers and, for the first time in many years, Edsel Ford.

Wayne took a surprising 13-11 first quarter lead, but Dearborn went ahead 23-20 at the half. Jim Huard gave the Pioneers the victory margin by breaking a 40-40 dead lock halfway through the final stanza with a free throw.

Jack Gilbreath collected sixteen points and Chuck Riesner earned 15.



That's the last time you'll catch me in the girls' locker room.



I'll catch that fly one way or another.

Pioneers Win Championship

Wayne, the team that had trouble finding victory this year, staged a near upset Friday night against DHS who now shares the Huron-Rouge Championship with Ypsilanti.

By a score of 45-44, the Pioneers met the Zebras' challenge and killed Wayne's hopes of preventing Dearborn's rise to victory. Last year Wayne tied with the Pioneers for the top spot.

Wayne took the lead during the first quarter by holding DHS to a 13-11 margin. It was clear to everyone that Wayne was not going to give us a victory unless we earned it.

Dearborn controlled the backboards for the remainder of the game and rallied to score 12 points against the Zebras' 7. Dearborn pulled ahead at the half, 23-20, but the game still hung in the balance as to which team could outlast the other.

Third quarter saw the Pioneers hit 16 to Wayne's 13 and remain in the lead. Wayne put up a good fight and held close to the Orange and Black by a score of 38-33.

Wayne surged back during the middle of the fourth quarter to tie the score at 40-40. Jim Huard sank a foul shot to give DHS a margin we never lost. The Orange and Black scored twice to raise the score to 45. With six seconds left in the game, Wayne sank two foul shots. The Pioneers held an edge of one point as the final whistle blew.

Jack Gilbreath scored 16 points, and was aided by Chuck Riesner who added 13. Roland Coole lead Wayne's attack by scoring 18 points.

St. Pat's Day Is Here Again

Top o' the morn' to ye! Sunday is Saint Patrick's Day and a we Irish will be decked out in green, the color of our emerald isle, Ireland, which has come upon bad days. Aye, it's a tragedy what's happened to me overseas Irish friends. No green shamrocks to deck the Irish.

Sure, and it's a calamity no less, what's Saint Pats without an Irish shamrock and a cup o' stout? The banchers that walked for the frolic carrin' away me shamrocks on St. Patrick's Aye, it's the cold what done it, shiverin' and shrevlin' me poor Irish rose when all we Irish ar a needin' a touch o' emerald beaut. Sad's the day when a Kennedy or a McNamee can't wear a shamrock on St. Pat's.

Did ye hear? There's a bounty on Orangemen this year! Worthless blatherskites they are, disgracin' St. Pats with their orange blarney. Orangemen are English Irishmen, y' know.

Begorra, and did ye hear the news what's goin' round? St. Patrick himself was an Englishman! Hush now, don't tell nobody-else and the English 'd make a big thing o' it. Here in the county o' Kildare we don't think about those things.

Aye, 'tis a sad day indeed, but don't let that stop ye from celebrating Saint Patrick's. Sure and search your field and see if you can't find just one wee little green shamrock to send to me to help me celebrate our great saint's day this Sunday the seventeenth.

Photos by Lowell Lee