

THE ECHOES

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SENIORS HEARD

Tuesday, the 13th, the almighty seniors had another meeting with Dr. Huntsinger, G. O. of the NHAY Dispensary.

Previously, he had lectured the Seniors about birth control and V.D. Tuesday he and a colleague lectured about drugs and drug addiction.

His talks, although he uses medical terminology, are very informative and interesting. After the main lecture he answers any questions the seniors may have.

WHAT'S GOING ON

SHORTS:

Miss Bolick's Typing class is doing one minute timed writings.

Girls' P.E. is preparing reports on various diseases such as asthma.

The latest fashions are being created in Miss Sattre's home-ec class.

Geometry students are going a little up and beyond by doing some trigonometry.

The French Revolution is being analyzed by World History students.

The boys are outside (brr) playing soccer for P.E.

POD students are learning about an efficient student government.

Journalism, as usual, is busy getting the "Echoes" to you every week and writing "practice columns."

CROWNED

There was no Valentine's Day assembly. So we take the pleasure of announcing Miss Loveable: Miss Sharon Donahue and Mr. Adorable: Mister John Gagnon. These cuddly cuties were crowned during homeroom and wore their crowns for the remainder of the day last Thursday.

MAKE USE OF IT

There is a new trash can in the main hall. Let's all use it and keep our halls free from wastepaper.

<< BIOLOGY SEMINAR >>

The sixth annual Marine Biology Seminar will be held 8-24 June 1968. It is sponsored by DOD Overseas Dependents School-District 1.

For information and booklets, contact Mr. MacMillian in room 123.

FRESHMAN ENGLISH:

"Good night, good night, parting is such sweet sorrow

That I shall say good night till it be morrow."

Are these some of the famous lines which you have heard spoken in Yo-Hi's halls? Probably what you heard was a freshman practicing this poetry from Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" for Miss Inouye's English classes. The Freshmen memorized fifteen to twenty-five lines of "Romeo and Juliet" which they recited in class during the week of February 5-9.

Last week, they worked on Shakespeare projects—models of the Globe Theatre, puppets, drawings of costumes, a typical middle class English meal, recordings, and slides.

WEEKLY PRESS NOTES

This week the "Echoes" interviewed Mr. Lacey, Vice-Principal, for its weekly press conference.

Naturally, the first topic brought up was the snow we just had. Although the students were given an extra holiday on Friday, the day will not have to be made up later. There is "built-in protection" in our school calendar for emergencies such as typhoons and snow storms or special events such as Teachers' conferences. According to Mr. Lacey, however, we have just about used up our extra days so "You'd better pray for no more snow!"

While on the subject of holidays, the question was brought up why February 23, the day after Washington's birthday, is also a school holiday. It seems that there is a new policy which decrees that should there be a school holiday on a Tuesday or a Thursday, then Monday or Friday, respectively, is also made a holiday to make the weekend a long one. (So now nobody can say that nothing good ever happens!)

Next year at Yo-Hi a new course will be offered: key-punch operations. This course is a relatively easy one, and is highly recommended for non-college bound students who wish to secure a good job in the future. There is a great supply currently for key-punchers, and the job is a good paying one. Machines for the course are already here at our school.

STUCK! HAYAMA STYLE...

Thursday the Hayama buses were snowed in. Bus 7-X was held up because of a traffic jam on a road near Hayama. The cause of the jam was that the road was covered with snow and several cars were stuck. The industrious boys on 7-X got out of the bus and pushed several cars up the hill. When the jam was finally cleared, the bus was stuck so the boys had to push the bus. They pushed it until it got stuck again and gave up.

Almost everyone got back on the bus, where they thought they would remain the rest of the night. Those who lived nearby went home.

Finally the United States Navy (a little "Anchors Aweigh," please) came through with two open jeeps to take us home.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Today, February 21, is the last day of the annual campaign. Don't miss your chance to buy a copy of the fabulous Krimson K!

LAST CHANCE! YOUR BUY KRIMSON K!

SPOTLIGHT ON JIM

COMMENTS

Since seniors have always been in the spotlight, we will occasionally run one for the underclassmen.

The underclassman under this week's spotlight, a freshman, has been in Japan one and a half years. He likes Japan because "I have more freedom to do what I want and it is cheaper than the States." When asked what he thought was most interesting about Japan, he replied, "All of Japan, because there are so many things to see and do." The most interesting thing about Yo-ji to him was "the upperclassmen and the way they act and appear to underclassmen."

His likes? "English and P.E."

Dislikes? "The classes of 69 and 68, in that order."

His vocational plans are still a little hazy, and he invited us back about two years from now for a definite answer.

Our first interesting underclassman? None other than Jim Cook.

Here are a few more varied comments on the new system for teacher absences: June Okumura--I think it's great! But I hope that everyone will realize the great responsibility, and act accordingly, so we can continue to enjoy this privilege.

Cyndi Irwin--I think it's the best thing since boys!

Justin Asai--I think it's a pretty good system. Take advantage of it.

Steve Wilson--For some of us it gives free time to do what we want, and, for others, it gives extra time to study. It's great for everyone.

Hilda's Helpful Hints

Are you becoming bored lately? Become a horticulturist and your wasted hours are no more. In nurturing your prized blue-ribbon head of cabbage and raising your unmatched lima beans, all the cares and burdens of the world will be lifted. And the savings on your grocery bill alone is enough to give you peace of mind.

WHAT SONG DO YOU CONSIDER THE BEST OF 1967?

- Jack Clark--"Need Somebody to Love"
- Butch Jones--"Live For Today"
- Robert Gurran--"Nowadays Glancey Can't Even Sing"
- Lede Dwyer--"Respect"
- Mr. Lacey--"Ode To Billy Jo"
- Gary Stone--"Never My Love"
- LaVerne Stansell--"Mercy, Mercy, Mercy"
- Bob McBeth--"Mining Disaster of 1941"
- Joe Gutierrez--"I Was Made To Love Her"
- Up Tight

Japanese Culture

It's coming closer and closer to the third of March, girls' day in Japanese tradition. In Japan they call this festival "Momo no sekku," or "Ohina Sama, Hinamatsuri." This festival is celebrated by decorating stages with dolls and rice cakes of three different colors (Hishimochi). Also Japanese wine called "Shiro Zake" is drunk.

There are several dolls on each of the stages. Usually there are approximately seven stages on which to decorate the dolls. The first stage consists of the King and the Queen. The second stage consists of the three servants that work for the King and the Queen. The third stage consists of the five musical orchestras with Japanese type drums and flutes. The rest are decorated with rice cakes and other foods.

Still More Mark Twain Humor

- "There are several good protections against temptations, but the surest is cowardice."
- (on April 1st) "This is the day upon which we are reminded of what we are on the other 364."
- "One of the most striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat has only nine lives."

FROM A STUDENT:

This is a 'thank you' from a grateful, anonymous student:

"Well, having been here for three years, all I can say is 'thank you' to the teachers, Mr. Spaulding, and Mr. Lacey, for they have put their faith in us as a mature student body. It is up to us to show them how right they are.

"We must not violate this trust by shoplifting or leaving the areas that were assigned to us. This is not just for this year, but the following ones too.

"So don't ruin it for the whole school and yourself. When a teacher is absent, act like an adult and do your part to help the school."

Phrase of the Week

To excuse oneself for being rude: "chitsurei shimasita"--literally "I have committed a rudeness."

DID YOU BUY YOUR KRIMS? K?

SPORTS -- SPORTS -- SPORTS

LIFE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

Why is "red" hair orange? Why is it that more than one goose are geese but more than one moose are not "meese"? Why doesn't a grapefruit look like a grape?

For years, these and similar questions have puzzled me, although I'm sure I'm not the only stumped one. It all began one Saturday long ago as my father disgruntlingly mowed the lawn.

"Why is it," I asked, "that you put so many things on the grass to make it grow faster, then cut it down?"

His blunt "just because" was somehow ungratifying.

Neither was I satisfied with this same answer to other "stupid" questions I happened to ask.

Having now studied the case for years, I have finally come upon a definite answer to all these mysteries--The Sadistic Character of Man.

That's right.

I can picture the first little orange-headed cavewoman being teased by cavemates who referred to her hair as "red" as if she were a monster. The term "flame-haired" soon caught on, and to this day, no redhead would think of calling her hair "orange".

The originator of the English language was the prime example of sadism in action. (We can thank his lucky stars he isn't still here to suffer the consequences.)

Sneaking by the light of his turtle-oil lamp, he invented a language which not only had an infinite number of rules, but in which every rule had an exception. (This language also has the largest vocabulary in the world. He was obviously thinking of future students who would go insane trying to memorize the endless English III lists. We must admit he succeeded beautifully.)

The first sadistic fruit-gatherer, having discovered a huge, yellow citrus fruit, decided it looked and tasted like anything but a grape. Passing grape-lovers got the surprise of their lives after tasting his "grapefruit," to the glee of the fruit gatherer. This is undoubtedly the same man who discovered the breadfruit, crabapple, and alligator pear.

So you see, behind every contradiction and inconsistency there is a person who is trying to make life miserable for the rest of mankind. This columnist, for example....

WITH CHOFU

Last Saturday the Yo-Hi Devils roundballers traveled to Chofu to play them on their home court. As the game began the Vikings were fortunate enough to get the jump ball but were not so successful at scoring. We went on to score the first basket of the game. After pumping in the first basket we lead from there on to a half time score of 16-30.

As the second half got underway our second string got a chance to see a little action. They coasted on to a final score of 60-77.

YO-HI

THE WRESTLING FILE

The Yo-Hi wrestling team is currently in fourth place with a record of five wins and four losses. This record really doesn't give an accurate estimation of the skill of the matmen. The wrestlers have had some rather difficult matches, and they have also had some big disappointments. In our second match against Zama, five of our Varsity men were not wrestling. This turned out to be quite a let down for we lost that match.

When we wrestled Chofu away, we were hampered by the lack of a knowledgeable, efficient referee which caused us to lose a few matches. There is a possibility that we could have won that match also. Who knows?

On Friday, the seventeenth, our team was to host the Narimasu wrestling team in a home meet. Due to the biggest snow storm to hit Japan in seventeen years, the match was postponed. We finally went down to defeat Monday 36-16.

On the twentieth of this month, our team travels to Johnson for its last away meet. On Wednesday, the twenty-first, Johnson travels to Yo-Hi for our last match until the tournaments which will be held on March second. We certainly hope that our team will excel in the final tournament of the 1967-68 wrestling season.

SOCCER SOCCER SOCCER SOCCER P.E. PLUMFLAM

Here it is at last, the column you have all been waiting for. The column with the news on what is happening on the P.E. scene.

Well they are at it again, kicking and running all over the football field playing the fast and furious game of soccer. The sport is generally enjoyed by all of the students, their only complaint being the cold weather. (Well, they are lucky it doesn't snow everyday.)

It has been requested by some members of the P.E. classes that some other members be forced to take their gym clothes home to be washed. As some of them only do this on the rarest of occasions, it is only natural that complaints would arise. So, if you are one of those people who hasn't washed his gym clothes for, say, the last two weeks, why don't you be a good guy and wash them.

The outdoor soccer games have introduced a variety of styles for you fashion minded Yo-Hians. Though finally prohibited, the combat boots worn by Greek in third period were both quite sporty and effective in the playing of the game. Long sweatpants and brightly colored sweatshirts seem to be the "in" thing now. Whatever the case may be, the trend seems to be toward the wearing of not just one sweat-shirt, but as many as one owns.

That's all for this edition. If you want any opinions or comments printed in this column, please submit them to room 308.

ANXIETY?

Here we are, ladies and gentlemen, at The Gym waiting for the arrival of our mystery celebrity. We also have with us Stevie Wonder, the Temptations, and many others. Here he comes now. You can feel the tension and excitement in the air. OOPS!! Someone just fainted. They seem to be having trouble carrying her out. She looks as though she weighs 180 pounds.

Now! Are you people ready for our great personage? It's none other than Rick "Rapid Fingers" Tranter and his famous psychedelic guitar.

Well, Rick how does it feel to be here in front of all of these people?

"Alright! Crowds never have bothered me."

How long have you been in Japan, Rapid Fingers?

"About seven years."

We would like to know where you came from previously and some of your interests.

"I came from Santa Ana, California, and my interests are guitars, art, and everything in general."

If we can keep these girls in their seats long enough, we'd like to ask for any words of wisdom you'd like to say to these teenagers.

"Yes, I would like to say to the superior seniors of Yo-Hi--live now, for you shall be on the bottom next year. Flower Power forever."

Thanks Rick! Rick? Rick!!!

It seems that he got a little carried away just now. Will you girls bring him back here? Thank you, folks, and good-bye!

? CAN YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS ???

How far can a dog run into the woods? ???

A.--Half way, because at that geographical point he's running out.

Is there a fourth of July in England?

A.--Yes. A first, second, third, fifth, etc. too.

Take two apples from three apples. How many apples do you have?

A.--Two apples. You left one.

Can a man living in Florida be buried in Nebraska?

A.--No. Living men can't be buried.

There is a house with four Southern exposures. There is a bear running by the house. What color is the bear?

A.--White, because you are living over the North Pole.

CHEATING ~~~

Cheating this year seems to be more prevalent than ever before. It seems that everyone on test days has little crib notes to stick up a sweater or under the test. Trading papers goes on right under the nose of the teachers.

Is this really the way to go through school? Cheating for four years and not learning anything?

I realize that all of you have probably heard lectures time and time again on cheating. But if you really think about it, it makes sense. You become not only a person who begins to depend on others for something you could obtain with just a little effort, but you ruin your own character. I think the feeling of accomplishment would be a better feeling than one of guilt. DON'T YOU??

MYSTERY ATHLETE

Our M.A. this week is a senior who hails from Guam but calls Oakland, California, home. Currently he is on the wrestling team and has to fight it out every week with B.B., D.F., and M.M. to see who's going to wrestle in his weight class. This is his first year in wrestling and he has shown good form and proven a tough competitor in all his matches. He is 18 years old, stands 5' 11", and weighs 154 pounds. He participated in baseball, basketball, and football at his old school in Africa. He has attended Yo-Hi for a year and a half and considers it "a pretty good school." His likes are "cars, food, girls, money, and clothes." His only dislike is "talkative girls."

If you haven't figured out this fine athlete's name by now, look at the bottom of the page for his name. P.S.--Some say his smile resembles that of Alfred E. Neuman.

WEEKLY FAVORITES:

BOY OF THE WEEK--Mark Schmidt

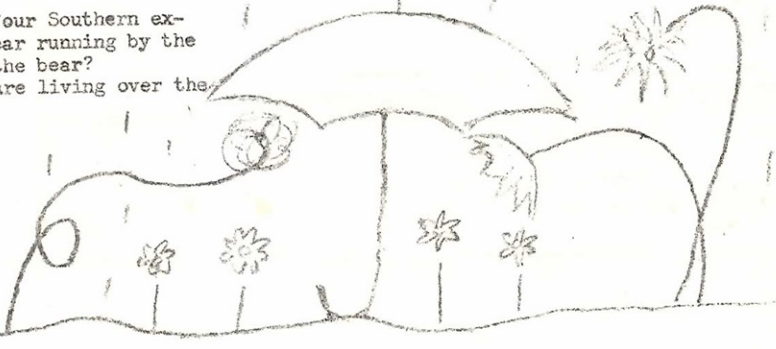
GIRL OF THE WEEK--Lori Evans

TEACHER OF THE WEEK--Miss Bunch

SMILE OF THE WEEK--Cathy Simkanich

COUPLE OF THE WEEK--Wayne and Leslie

BIRTHDAY OF THE WEEK--Debbie Barker, Terry Kawamoto, and Laura Stephens.



MOBE PRACTICE COLUMNS

IN DEFENSE →

This column is going to defend people. Lately people have been taking quite a beating from the press and other media of communications.

I am going to start off with defending the ways people dress because this is one of the things that is causing the most criticism.

Today, people dress mostly to please themselves. Each of us is free to honor our own tastes. Most people show their personalities through their dressing habits.

For instance many of the "mod" dressers of today are just showing their flamboyant personalities in a harmless way. It would give even more cause for criticism if these people showed their personalities and their desire to be different by running around with nothing on. Wearing wild clothes is a better method, in the opinion of this columnist.

In the same sense there are people who show their moderate personalities through their dress. A person who dresses casually and moderately and without distinction is usually proving that he is a person who takes life as it is, without worrying too much.

The opposite of flamboyant dressers are the ones who are overly moderate. They are showy in the other direction. They draw attention to themselves with the same methods as the loud "mod" dresser--only by purposely staying plain.

The hippies use the same principle. Their clothes are attention getters and draw publicity. If hippies and flower children wore grey suits and had crew cuts and went around preaching love and brotherhood they would be called preachers and no one would listen to a word they say. Thanks to the weird clothes and outrageous hairdos they wear, though, they have been recognized and even listened to.

The type of clothes a person wears is just a method of displaying his personality. The way you dress doesn't mean, though, that you are always loud and showy, or always casual and understated. It is just a way for the inside to get out now and then.

If everyone dressed alike and wore his hair alike and used the same shoe polish, there would be no mystery in a person's appearance. One man would look just like the next man. That would take away a lot of harmless fun for a lot of harmless people.

As long as we have the freedom to dress as we please and to please others, why not take every advantage of it?

MOVIE REVIEW ☆ ☆

"Bonnie and Clyde" is a fast-moving, action-packed film depicting true life episodes and daring adventures from the lives of Clyde Barrow and his gun moll, Bonnie Parker.

Warren Beatty does too good a job portraying the life of Clyde Barrow. He portrays his counterpart as a fast-moving, fast-talking (especially with a gun) hoodlum who stages hold-ups not just for the money, but for the "thrills."

The curvaceous Faye Dunaway portrays Bonnie Parker, an exotic woman who loves and lusts for danger. She tries throughout the entire film to convince Clyde that she is a woman, and with the help of her passionate charm, she finally convinces him (and about time too, before hitting the dust).

The film is full of shoot-outs, blood, despondent cops, hysterical women (especially a certain preacher's daughter), and rat-a-tat-tats.

Besides all this, it contains a fair share of humor. An example is when two cops chased the Barrow gang past their state boundary and then decided to turn back because, "Why should we risk our lives in another state?" Grim, what?

The ending is all too realistic and deserving for the duo of Bonnie and Clyde.

If you love crime at its gory best, be sure to see this one--"Bonnie and Clyde."

LOOK INTO FUTURE ↴

Bonnie and Clyde, the famed gangster couple, have not died in vain. They have inspired today's fashion designers to revert to the swinging twenties for the current trend in clothes.

Dropy hats, berets, flapper dresses, etc. are making a comeback. For any of you who may have some old clothes from those roaring twenties--now is the time to pull them out and get some added use from them.

No longer in vogue is the "hippie movement," the "little boy" look, or the washed out, "natural" look. Color in faces (darker lips, blushed skin), more feminine styles, and curly hair are the things that are new. All of these fit in with the newest "Bonnie and Clyde" look.

Does this mean that hems will go down? Is the mini-skirt doomed to a life in a trunk full of moth-balls? Or are the fashion experts going to combine both the "Bonnie and Clyde" look with the mini-skirt to get a totally new and different roaring sixties look.

Only time will tell whether or not people accept this new trend--or whether less leg will be shown. We can only tell by the fashion magazines, keeping an eye on what's new--and especially what's talked about.

DEVILS ALWAYS WIN!

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WORD - SLAGY

EMPTY HAND?

The empty hand has always been an important weapon in the far East. Let us first run in on some history: About the year 100 A.D. an Indian priest named Daruma came to China. He formalized the meditation sect of Zen, which subsequently influenced the thinking of China for centuries, and was an important factor in creating Japanese civilization.

China at the time was split into many warring kingdoms and bandit baronies. The local war lord disarmed the civilian populace but failed to protect them. Tradition holds the Daruma assembled his followers and announced:

"War and killing are wrong, but so is it wrong not to be prepared to defend oneself. We may not have knives, so make every finger into a dagger. Every fist a vice, every arm a spear, and every open hand a sword."

He then drew upon ancient "shadow boxing" and war dance calisthenics and applied Taoist scientific principles to these. Yoga techniques and Buddhist principles of pacifism and traction were blended in arts that used the aggressor's strength against his and helped him destroy himself.

The resulting discipline itself was a two-edged weapon. It enabled peaceful unarmed men to remain secure. It also made young hot heads physically and mentally discipline themselves which led to varying degrees of enlightenment.

Numerous variations on the basic art of empty hand defense include: Jujitsu, the gentle technique; Judo, or the gentle way; Karate, or empty hand; Jawara, or plasticity; Aikido, or spiritually-unifying-way and China's tai Chi chuan, "shadow boxing" and Kempo; Okinawa te or Fien; Korean subag, to mention only a few names known to the West. But dealing in generalities, we can say that these all stem from the same ideas.

FASHION FILE...

The world of fashion is a changing world. Each year, new designers with new ideas appear. Unlike fashions of centuries past, styles of today are more diverse. They are more casual and, all in all, have more individuality.

American designer, Adele Simpson, says the type of clothes one wears depends on the person's outlook on life and just for living it. Her latest designs are high-waisted, bell-skirt dresses with nice sashes or belts. Emphasis is placed on the very "feminine" look.

In fact, the "feminine" look seems to be very "in." Besides high-waisted dresses, your dresses are also a favorite of many designers.

Sleeves are now slightly flared or gathered. Necklines are either wide and collarless or high with a collar. Sleeves are "puffed" or the type which are gathered at the wrist. Lots of lace and ruffles add to the feminine effect.

WORD-SLAGY

What's in a word? Letters, sounds, meanings- and history.

Few people realize that there is history behind every word, and that many are derived from foreign languages.

For instance, take the word brat. We know that "brat" means an ill-mannered child, and most of us, probably, believe that it is as "American" as a word can get. It isn't. It happens to be the Russian word for "brother." It came into the French language with the meaning "ragamuffin" (a poorly clothed and/or dirty child). The word came over to America with the French and it soon evolved into its present day meaning. So when one calls someone a "brat," one is in a certain sense really saying "brother." (Some of you girls knew that all along, didn't you.)

Here are a few more words with interesting histories.

Parsley means a crown of glory. In ancient Greece, the victors in games were crowned with chaplets made from the leaves of parsley.

Whiskey means the "water of life." The French "eau de vie" means brandy which when translated, means the "water of life."

Candidate comes from Roman politicians who wore white togas while campaigning. "Candidatus" is a person dressed in white and the root "candid" means frank and honest.

A bribe is a piece of bread in old England and has had many other meanings besides its present one. Previously it pertained more to begging than paying someone illegally.

Coward comes from a rabbit in old French fables named Coart, whose main characteristic was timidity.

Grenade comes from the fruit pomegranate which has seeds that explode when it becomes overripe.

For math students: algebra comes from the Arabic words "al" (the) and "jabr" (reuniting what is broken). "Aljabr" was often used to mean "bone-setting."

For those taking science: that well-known term Chemistry comes from the Arabic also and means the "search for gold" (al-kimia).

In 14th century England a woman headed for the torture chamber or a "horrifying trial by ordeal" was said to have charm.

So words do have history behind them. After reading the real meaning of many words, it is advisable that one use them with care.

