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Editorials



Enthusiasm in class meetings lately has been null. Either the students talk too much about nothing, or don't talk much about anything. There are approximately five in each class that ever participate in discussions. Of course there is always that student who is never able to decide on any one thing.

Most classes right now are trying to decide a well worth while activity to back up and sponsor. There is much confusion in making decisions, and when the vote has been taken for something, they don't want to get in and work. Do you want your class to be the dull one that never does anything, as the expression goes, or do you want it to be the top class that really does something worth while for the benefit of all?

Some of the meetings accomplish something and others are complete flops. Is there anything we can do about it? At the next meeting your class has, give some suggestions and vote the way you feel. Cooperate with the others and make the activities of your class outstanding for West Linn.

THE EDITOR:

Frequently you hear the students complain about the lack of student body meetings. This complaint is quite justified. True we don't have enough of them. However, the last thing was a good example of the lack of interest and participation on the part of the students on the issues brought up at these meetings. Why waste time in having meetings if, when we do have them only the same few persons participate in the discussion of the problems we encounter in student government? In order to have worthwhile meetings and a good school government all students must show an attentive interest and more of them should take part in the meetings. When the students realize that it is their responsibility to make student body meetings profitable and really good we may have more of them.

—I. M. J.

DEAR EDITOR:

A few days ago members of the Oregon State Guard went to Oregon City Hi and West Linn Hi to try to recruit more members. A special assembly for the boys was called at Oregon City and the equipment was displayed. The boys were attentive and interested. After the assembly a bus was furnished to bring the Guard over to West Linn. Here they were laughed at, called "tin soldiers" and given a room with a few boys coming into to watch. Several members had to go around to the rooms to get an audience. During the display several boys tried to make the Guard members laugh. Most of the boys in the State Guard go to West Linn but quite a few go to Oregon City. It surely made the West Linn Guard members feel ashamed of our school and it gave the other members a bad impression. Getting such a good reception at Oregon City and then such a poor one at West Linn really makes one disgusted. Some boys from both schools evidently were impressed and they enlisted.

Disgustingly yours,

—A Member.

Dear Editor:

Why can't something be done to warn the kids playing out on the field at noon when the bell is going to ring? It is practically impossible to hear it ring out there. When they finally discover that the noon hour is over it is sometimes too late and consequently some kids are late to class. As a result they receive a "5" for the day in the class that they missed and are sent to study hall. Now that summer weather is coming probably more kids will be tardy right after the noon hour. I suppose that they will have to stick closer to the school.



When the following students were asked what they liked most about the night of the West Linn-Oregon City basketball game, they answered as follows:

Gordon Murphy — Saturday night was the loneliest night in the week.
Donna Shainholtz—smooching.
Ralph Matile—fouling Rhino.
Don Smith—the first half of the game.
Doc Stient—he pepe and pretty faces.
Ted Plummer—the game.



COUNTING ON YOUR FINGERS TO SOLVE THAT DIFFICULT MATH PROBLEM—



COUNTING THE DAYS TO VACATION—

COUNTING IN CLASS TO SEE WHICH QUESTION YOU ARE GOING TO GET—



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What's In a Name DAFFYNITIONS

Orpha—pink elephants.
Margaret—precious.
Irene—messenger of peace.
Louise—protector of the people.
Carmalita—nursified.
Beverly—eager beaver.
Albert—noble.
Shoegrease—on bended knees.
Carl—strong manly.
Fred—the peoples' choice.
Donna—a lady.
Etta—home ruler.
Paul—small gentle.
Ralph—the wolf-god.
Stanley—a doctor.
Dick—benevolent.
Bob—bright.
Ray—wise peaceful.
Peter—a stone, rock.
Ronald—sincere lover.
Oliver—emblem of peace.
Grace—kindness.
Merle—a blackbird.
Evelyn—a hazel nut.
Gwen—white browed.
George—a farmer.
Bill—one meat ball.
Gordon—weak in structure.
Alice—illustrious.
Bernice—she who brings victory.
Sophie—a wise woman.
Ruth—a vision of beauty.
Phyllis—a green branch.
Frances—free.
Eugene—well born.
Kieth—a windy place.
Jay—meaning uncertain.
Leonard—breaker of bones.
Norman—banjo eyes.
Quack—from a duck.
Hammer—hard-headed.
Vaughn—small in stature.
Ted—a divine gift.
Tom—a twin.
Bruce—Brutal.
Herman—army man.
Oliver—emblem of peace.
Roy—peach fuz.
Delores—sorrow.
Betty—blessed.
Maxine—greatest.
Charles—of great strength.
Don—proud chief.
Mary—tearful, distresses.
Mildred—gentle, mild.

Louise Jent wanted to be asked to go to the Hi-Y induction with Leonard Rothe.
Donna Shainholtz went to the Hi-Y induction with Dennis Brending.
Hattie Carpenter and Dolores Sherman were seen at church Sunday. It can't be that they are getting religious.

Cannibal: One who loves his fellowman—with gravy.
Love: The only game that is not postponed because of darkness.
Diamond: A stone used to lay the foundation of love.
Hulla Dancers: Girls who twiddle their tums.
Check book: Where you keep a permanent record of your good times.
Radio Programs: A brief interruption between commercials.
Income: Something you can't live without or within.
Stork: A bird charged with many things which should be blamed on a lark.
Bachelor: A man who is lucky in love.
Marriage: The greatest cause for divorce.
Reds: Colors which might be seen around Berlin soon.
Fan Dancer: A nudist with a cooling system.
Passenger: One who is told where to get off.
Rhubarb: Celery that's blood-shot.
Gabs: Talkative Waves.
Waves: Women who go to sea in slips.

DIRT BY GERT

It seems that Dick Moreland can't be separated from Louise Jent. He wants her to join the State Guard. How about it, Louise?
Howard can't make up his mind about the kind of girls he is interested in. Now he is involved very deeply with Joan Murphy.
Almond Mindt has now become interested in girls. He has been seen lately with an Oregon City girl.
Mildred Berry still talking about Buster, and he has now joined the navy.
Well, here is the chance for the girls, Dick Allen and Maribel Swan have broken up for good.
Hasn't any of the girls noticed that cute little laddie, Charles Dodge?
Gordon Myhra has a new flame now, a freshman, Joan Ludwig.
Dale Bradley came back to school Monday after an accident at the Banner-Courier. Everybody was glad to see him back.

Under the Rug

We gather our dust material and hurriedly peck this out for the clutches of last minute writing are upon us again. What is this we hear about **Sue Mote** and **Dick Irion**? Must be the snow and spring weather. Spring, as some dumb poet, put it is the season when a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of baseball and skipping. Baseball season seems to have started and no broken windows yet. That's all we need then we would have air conditioning and refrigeration automatically installed in every room. Someone mentioned heat the other day and we looked it up in the dictionary. The definition suggested something that was warm like what you might get from a fire. Never heard of it! (only kidding Mr. Annas) While we're on the subject of fires, after the O. C. game a couple of weeks ago, three girls were desperately trying to keep warm from a tiny little bonfire in the middle of the sidewalk. We just couldn't get that darn thing to burn!

Johnnie Selness was reviewing his old girl friends but it didn't last long. Have you noticed how going steady helps some people? Check **Harmon Marshall**. Question of the week: should we or shouldn't we keep that appointment with the dentist? It was a tough fight **Nai-deen** but **Louise** seems to have won. Check the dazzling personalities turned on as result of May day nominations. New hitlers and the bushes being trimmed give the school a streamlined effect. **Art Blackman**, West Linn's Lawrence Tibbet, simply slayed the kids at Tigard! **Bill Hoffer** hasn't attempted a column this issue. Wonder why? Many feminine eyes are turning towards **Leonard Rothe** while he calmly carves his initials on the back of his hand. **Robert George Harold Robinson** went blinking on his way for two weeks and is again wearing classes.

FOR SALE: Autographed pictures for only \$1.00. Headquarters-Shorts. Third period Art has invented a new war weapon guaranteed to wipe out all of enemy. What a day for the flame-thrower. However, the bottle of fixative has gone down considerably. Oh, oh, those little men with the straight jacket have spotted us again so we must be on our merry way. Just remember, even if you did flunk this six weeks, **KEEP SMILING.**

Can You Imagine

Can you imagine—
West Lynn having an assembly.
Having enough men to go around.
Willa Worthington not chasing a new man.
The front wall without its occupants.
Some of our good books being back in the library.
Bob Weivisick not trying to corner all the girls.
Some of our P. G.'s graduating. The annual staff with bright and smiling faces.
School without any Jennings'. Ione Johnson not trying to be witty.
Delores Sherman and Harmon Marshall.
Ronnie without Virginia.
Dennis Brending going with Cornelia.
Barbara Schnoerr trying steady life.
The girls not being interested in Oregon City.
Bud Hoffer not skipping any more.