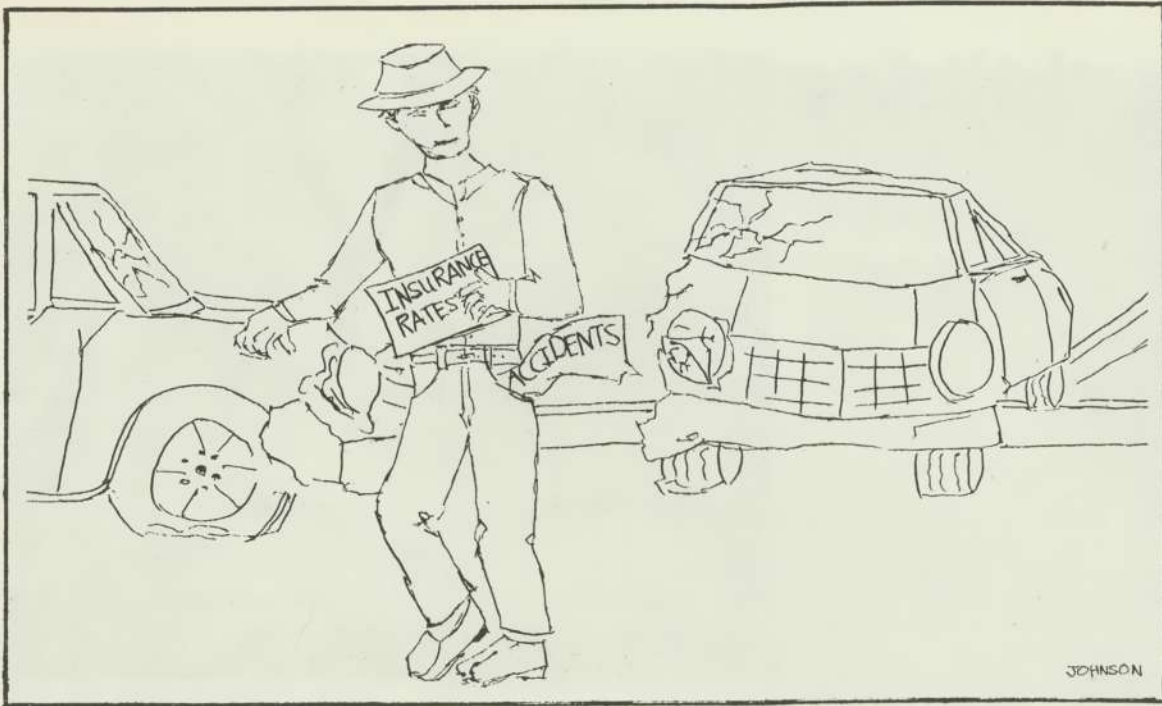




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Tryouts to be held for vacant spots on Gendrills team

"What is your height and weight?" These and other questions will be answered by about 100 girls applying for Gendrills, according to Mrs. Mary Bray, Gendrill advisor.

Sometime within the next two weeks they will be trying out for the 30 spots on the drill team. At this time the girls will perform a two minute routine involving a series of kicks and steps.

After the girls go through their routines they will organize into groups of five and will be taught a step. They will be judged on their learning ability from this. They will then get in a line and will do a series of kicks which will be judged by their height.

At this time the girls who are especially good will be picked for the team while the girls who show promise will have additional tryouts.

The only requirements, according to Mrs. Bray, are a good character, dance ability, a willingness to learn and a 2.25 grade point average.

Petitions for Varsity Rally will become available to students wishing to try out sometime within the next two weeks, according to the advisor, since there are no regulations.

Drug threat discussed

To inform parents of the threat of drugs, a special Parent-Teacher association meeting will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the library. This meeting is an effort to create better understanding and communication of the problem.

Representatives from the school district, special investigators, and the district attorney's office will be on hand to discuss the legal, medical, and human side of the problem.

Negro history proposal fails

A recent proposal for having an available Negro history elective, made by Dan Robinson, was rejected by the social studies faculty at a meeting February 12.

The department, in turning

down the proposal, prefers to include this subject in the regular American Problems class, SS 5-6. It is also touched upon in the European history, geography, political thought, sociology and political science classes.

Shakespeare play presentation readied for evening assemblies

"Twelfth Night" which, according to Gerald Merryman, is one of Shakespeare's most popular plays, revolves around two

plots. The two-plot comedy will be presented by the Shakespeare department March 1-2 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium and February 29-March 1 in assemblies.

Dog Patch dance presented by girls

"Soul Stomp — Dog Patch Style" is the theme for the Girls' League Sadie Hawkins dance to be held tonight, 9-11 p.m., in the old gym.

"It's a girl-ask-boy dance," commented Sandi Gassner, Girls' League president, "and a sign-up sheet will be available in the activities office."

"It's all revolving around Sadie Hawkins day," explained Sandi, "because this is a 'leap' year."

At the dance a Sadie Hawkins race will be held with the different classes competing. Also featured will be a few "girl's choice" dances.

A Sadie Hawkins court will be chosen at the dance. As the couples enter, their names will be dropped into a barrel and later be drawn at random to decide the court.

Another highlight of the dance will be the crowning of Mr. Hush, alias "Lil' Abner." The boy with the most hush cards by the end of today will receive the title.

Committees have been chosen according to classes. In charge of clean up are the freshmen. Sophomores will handle a coat check room and refreshments. Junior girls will take care of decorations, while seniors comprise the publicity committee.

One plot tells the adventures of a girl called Viola who is shipwrecked in Illyria. Viola goes to work for Count Orsino disguised as a boy page. Orsino sends Viola (called Cesario as a page) to win for him the love of the Countess Olivia. Olivia then falls in love with Viola, thinking she is a young page.

Sebastian, Viola's twin brother, who was also shipwrecked and separated from his sister, arrives in Illyria and causes people to mistake him for Cesario (Viola in disguise).

Another plot of the play involves a joke played on Malvolio, Olivia's crabby servant. Malvolio is made to believe Olivia is in love with him and begins to act so strangely that Olivia confines him in a dark room as a madman.

Perpetrators of this trick are Maria, the countess' lady, Sir Toby Belch, her uncle, and Sir Andrew Aguecheek, a foolish suitor to Olivia.

"Their practical jokes are the center of the play," explained Mr. Merryman.

One of the two banners that will be hung in center hall to advertise the play will be the same one that was used in Grant's 1954 production of the play. The other banner will be new, designed by the Art Staff.

Ticket prices for the performance are \$1.75 for adults and 75 cents for students.

Attitudes, states of mind cited as accident cause

by June Ammon

Statistics reveal a close correlation between accidents and state of mind. Some individuals are defined "accident prone" because their mental attitudes, reflected in their actions, result in accidents. According to Erwin D. Canham, editor in chief of The Christian Science Monitor, about 85 per cent of the accidents hap-

pen to about 15 percent of the people.

Some policy holders, wanting to recover some of their premium money, turn in repeated small claims. Filing a lot of small claims may cause the insurance company to regard the driver as "claim conscious" or "accident prone," causing the rate to go up.

This attitude has caused several insurance companies to use "frequency underwriting," placing more importance on the number of claims than on their amount. Some companies may refuse to renew a policy if five claims or "involvements" are recorded, regardless of their amount or who was at fault.

Collision claims which are entered on the driver's frequency record can also result in a large premium increase. With a "point" or "claims free discount" system, a recorded claim, no matter how small, will usually result in loss of the "safe driver" or "preferred" rate.

As a result, the rate increase at renewal time may be much greater than the money collected from the insurance company, and a spotless driving record must be maintained for from three to five years, depending on the company, to regain the preferred or safe-driver rate.

To keep car insurance costs as low as possible it should be considered as a protection against a catastrophe instead of used for the free repair of small and inexpensive damages.

Insurance companies may refuse to renew a policy or cancel it for such reasons as uncooperative or abusive actions toward an adjuster, but most cancellations are for a good cause, as failure to pay premium on time or conviction of risky driving such as suspension or revocation of driver's license.

A policy with a non-cancellation clause says that the policy, after being in effect for 60 days, cannot be canceled except for specified reasons such as drunken driving, which, according to Dr. William Haddon Jr., director of the National Highway Safety Bureau, is involved in almost 50 percent of all highway fatalities.

When renewal is refused by one company it becomes more difficult and more expensive to obtain the same type of insurance coverage with another company.



'Tag' dangerous practice A student plays "tag" with the traffic on 36 avenue after school. Danger seems to be of no concern to either the pursued or the pursuer.