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STRICTLY PERSONAL . . .

It's back again. Uh-huh, the first issue of the Colonial is off the press and I can't think of anything to say. First, I guess I better introduce myself. You're in for a let down. I'm the one who's going to write about all "you kids" this winter and boy, oh boy, what you don't know about yourself I do!

As I said before I don't know what to say, so, this being the beginning of the year and teachers not having anything to do all summer I thought I would ask them for some help.

Down the hall I wandered to room 7 where the notable poetess, Mrs. Barber labors. You don't think she is poetic? That's just all you know. Mrs. Barber wrote the libretto to the opera, "The Sleeping Beauty" by Tschaikowsky. This was performed by the Oklahoma Symphony Orchestra. Up in the world—

After that interview I expected almost anything from there on. Next, I headed for the library where Mrs. Zeiger was laboring over her beloved books. It took a long time to get anything out of her, but finally I convinced her she was more than a common Hoosier. Her grandfather, who is still living today at the sweet youthful age of ninety, was one of the first settlers of the Twin Lake region down by Plymouth, Indiana. Indians helped him build his barn and he can remember the first bananas ever brought into Indiana.

After leaving the library I set out to find one of the weaker sex. Well, you don't have to guess to know who I met. The moment I saw him I thought, "Oh my, I'll have to hand him a different line. No more of this I don't know what to say or, please help me with a new idea. First of all I knew he would not have a new idea and secondly I vaguely remember him saying in one of his classes, "If you know something and cannot express it in words, you just don't know something. I asked Mr. Harbaugh if he had anything he could tell me about himself that was interesting or unusual. Well, he started telling me about his summer vacation. I told him I wasn't writing a society column but he continued, and I, showing all respect to my elders, kept still and listened. In order to have no hard feelings I will tell you of Mr. Harbaugh's adventures. Quote: "It was a ten day camping trip in the Smoky Mountains. Saw bear, scared

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

1935 Graduates

Betty Kreighbaum and Bill Christman are married and have a little girl named Cynthia.

1940 Graduates

Johnny Wertz is getting married October 5, to a girl from Riley High School.

1941 Graduates

J. C. Hawblitzel is going to a barber school in Pasadena, California.

Dick Juday is married to Julia Wunterlick from South Bend and is taking a business course at Indiana University.

1943 Graduates

Eugene Hartzell and Norma Keely, 1943 graduates, are married and reside in Roseland.

Janice Baker and Ernest Warwick, both graduates, are married.

1945 Graduates

Lurella Reed and Betty Voss are working at the Electric Company in South Bend.

Betty Jo Weber is going to a business school in Chicago. This will be her second year.

Rosemary Forsythe is married to Richard Newport.

1946 Graduates

Patricia Romine, Charles Helmen, and Charles Solbrig are taking a medical course at Indiana University.

NO HALL MONITORS

The Student Council met Tuesday, September 10. The Council voted to get a hand-book telling how to improve the school.

There will be no hall monitors, but that doesn't mean you will be able to skip classes without being caught.

The National Honor Society will meet in the future to elect members.

up some ruffled Grouse, lost trail, and climbed to New Found Gap near the highest point east of the Mississippi. For further information see yours truly." Unquote.

The last of my interviews was with Mr. Ernst. I did not hand him any line or excuse for my inability to write my column. I just told him I was sorely in need of something to finish my article. I certainly hit the right spot for he started telling of his trip to the Orient and his stay there while serving in the U. S. Army in World War II.

He began by enlarging upon his visit to Athens. I would like to give you this story in full detail,

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School Welcomes New Teachers

CLASS OFFICERS OF WASHINGTON-CLAY

SENIORS

Pres.—Jack Meyers.
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8th

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7th

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Treas.—Susie Roden.

STUDY HALL RULES

In order to bring about a greater degree of standardization in our study halls, the following rules will be adhered to by all. These rules are made necessary because of a desire for uniformity and after all the study hall is the place to do just that which the name designates—STUDY.

1. You are to be in your assigned seats when the bell rings.
2. Attendance will be taken before passes of any kind are recognized or given to any student.
3. Do not gather around the study hall teacher's desk at the beginning of the period. You have an assigned seat you are expected to occupy. Requests that are desired from the teachers will be cared for later.
4. Passes to leave the study hall must be obtained in advance from the instructor who desires you to be excused.
5. Pencil sharpening should be cared for in advance of the beginning of the period. Emergencies will be considered.
6. Students are expected to work independently in the study room. Do not ask to work together.

By Colletta Wells

School has begun again, and we have some new teachers. Miss Barbara Brannenberg is the new Gym teacher. This is her first year of teaching. Incidentally Miss Matthews was one of her best friends at Ball State College where she studied.

Her favorite sport is tennis. Her favorite food is fried chicken. Her favorite color is red, but because of the color of her hair, her next best is green and blue.

Mrs. Gridley is the new Music teacher. She comes from Illinois. She graduated from Wisconsin. She taught in Iowa, Michigan, Illinois, and North Carolina in a government school.

Her favorite color is blue, her favorite dish is ice cream.

Mr. Olin has returned from the Army. He served as an Occupational Counselor at Bushner General Hospital in Brigham City, Utah.

Mr. Olin's favorite sport is basketball. His favorite food is anything edible. Favorite color is blue.

Welcome to Washington Clay. We hope you will like it here.

PROGRAMS

Miss Beverly Elick, a dramatic reader from Indiana University, gave a group of readings and Aviva Eling, an eight year old, second grade girl from South Bend, played the piano. A few weeks ago Aviva played for a Shrine Banquet in Chicago.

First period Friday, September 20, 1946.

Our assembly will be on Monday, September 30, during the second period. Mr. D. R. Williams of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, will be here to show his wild life pictures.

Phillip Claxton has been chosen by the senior class as editor of the annual this year. Mildred "Mike" Minnis was chosen business editor. Mr. Ernst has agreed to be the sponsor.

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TRIANGLE OF DEMOCRACY

We pride ourselves that we live in a democracy, but what is a democracy? Sociologists tell us it is composed of three parts: the rights, morals, and duties of the citizens. Our rights we say we are well acquainted with.

They are set down in the Constitution under the Bill of Rights. Yet it is not our right to infringe on the rights of others. Everyday we see the "Wise Guy" who doesn't need to pay attention in class. He not only doesn't learn anything himself, but keeps his classmates from attaining all the attention which is their rights.

Our morals are those things which tell us what we should do, and those things which we should do our duties. Schools are, perhaps the greatest instruments of democracy. We have a governing body, the Student Council. If it were given enough power we could learn many lessons in self-government. I have known schools where the council not only made the laws but punished the law-breakers and very successfully. I am sure we all want these powers, but first we must learn to perform our duties

so let us look at them.

It is our duty to put our building to use as much as possible. We will not be allowed to use it unless we take care of it; therefore it is our duty to keep it clean and orderly.

Since the main purpose for our coming to school is to attain the formal education, we will not be allowed to engage in extra curricular activities until we have got our lessons to the best of our ability; therefore if we wish self-government, we must prove that we are capable of performing our most important duties.

We will not be allowed to make and enforce laws unless we can prove that we are capable of following the laws of others. It is our duty to obey those coming from the office.

We all want more assemblies, so it is our duty to learn how to behave in them.

Our duties as citizens of Washington Clay are far too many to enumerate in one column, but let's try to execute them all so that we may have a more enjoyable school life.

NONSENSE NOOK

"Sorry, but I can't give you any appointment today. I have eighteen cavities to fill this afternoon," said the dentist as he put the receiver back on the hook, picked up his golf clubs and left the office.

Lejeune Globe.

We were seated in a hammock
On a balmy night in June.
When the world was hushed in a
slumber

'Neath the guidance of the moon
And I asked a little question
And my heart was filled with hope
But her answer never reached me,
For her brother cut the rope.

Branding Iron.

"Do they have reindeer in Iceland?"
"No, darling, mostly snow."

Belvoir Castle.

A young lawyer was browbeating an opposing witness unmercifully. "Was it a man or a woman you saw leaving the scene of the crime?" he roared. "Answer yes or no."

"Well-uh-some questions can't be answered yes or no," the witness said.

"I challenge you to ask me a question I can't answer yes or no," thundered the lawyer.

"Well," the witness asked triumphantly, "do you still beat your wife?"

Coronet.

A young man once approached the Rev. S. Parkes Cadman and asked him: "Would it be possible for me to lead a good Christian life in New York City on \$20 a week?"

"My boy," said Dr. Cadman, "that's all you could do."

Coronet.

TEACHER TROUBLES

By Harriet and Hetty

Dear Misses Harriet and Hetty:

I am a normal junior in my local high school and get rather low grades. I am well-liked by my classmates (especially girls) and hardly ever quarrel with my family.

Here is my problem: I can't seem to get along with my teachers. I don't think they like me. I really try to be nice to them and mean well but they don't seem to understand me at all. I always sit in the front seats and try to look very attentive (look, that is.) I even laugh at their jokes. I never talk back and always get my assignments. Still they are as cold as ice towards me. This worries me considerably as I want their friendship (and better grades) so much.

Will you please advise me as to how I can bring about a happier relationship with them?

Don.

Dear Don:

We have had lots of letters concerning teachers. It seems to be a common problem. We sincerely hope we can help you as it had seemed to have helped others.

Perhaps your teachers don't like your looks. We don't mean to imply that there is anything wrong with them, but after all a teacher gets tired of looking at the same faces every day. It might be well for you to take a back seat (if that is possible).

It would pay to not be too attentive in class because the teachers might think that you are staring at them and that makes them self-conscious.

Another thing, teachers aren't used to anyone laughing at their jokes and if you laugh too loudly they might become a little suspicious.

Try to take a middle course, don't be so obvious.

H. & H.

THIS IS YOUR NEIGHBOR

It is said that laughing is healthy; thus our friend should be the healthiest man in Clay Township. He sees the humor of life, and his laughter comes from deep within his soul. Because of this habit of ignoring the disagreeable things, he has developed a sparkling type of personality. It could be that his good humor is enhanced by the fact that he lives in a beautiful home on Ponader Drive and has a wife who bakes the best cherry pies in Indiana. I present to you, *OTTO DOVENMUEHLE*, good neighbor.

"Did you vote for the honor system?"

"You bet I did—three times."

Auburn Plainsman.

"OFF THE RECORD"

By Helen Sowers

Greetings Gates and all that sort of thing. Well, to start the new year out right we find the one and only "To Each His Own" played by Tony Martin, which by the way now holds first place on the hit parade. But coming right along beside it we find that sweet little tune "Surrender" played by the great Woody Herman.

Ah, but then we have that tricky number "Stone Cold Dead In The Market" say by the Four King Sisters. If you have tried to sing along with that song, you'll understand what I mean by "tricky."

You all know that great hit "Hey-Ba-Ba-Re-Bob," or at least I'm taking for granted you do. Well anyway how do you like the new "Bumble Boogie" beat out by Freddy Martin. Of course Lionel Hampton did alright with "Hey-Ba-Ba-Re-Bob." Don't you think?? Okay so you don't think . . .

Les Brown sure does wonders with "High On a Windy Trumpet." It makes your little feet start to working. Harry James is alright with that smooth hit "This Is Always." Naturally Harry James holds a good spot in each of our hard little hearts . . .

Now back to something on the sentimental side, like "Cynthia's In Love" so beautifully played by Eddy Howard. Ah that sort of song along with a little later hit "I Don't Know Why," really sends me.

No matter how much I have tried to avoid that so called song "South America Take It Away" presented by Xavier Cugat, I must admit that it is really going places. But I'll be switched if I know how it ever happened. But that is just a mere trifle between friends.

For this time I believe that about takes care of the most of the hit songs with the exception of that most sensational, most outstanding, most heard song, (Boy are you ever in for a surprise) the one and only, yes, you guessed it, "Doin' What Comes Natur'lly" so casually beat out by good old Al Goodman.

But for me I'll stick to me old "Route 66" sang by the one and only King Cole Trio, and "Pig Foot Pete" beat out in the old Boogie fashion by Freddy Slack.

So till next issue, "So Long For Awhile," That's All the Hits For Awhile de-de-dum-re-dum!!!!

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KEYHOLE KATIE . . .

Well, we see Phyllis R. and Russel H. are still going together. Nice going, kids!

June Lowe has been "Dizzy" ever since she went to the lake this summer.

Iona M. thinks the Colfax theatre has the best features in town, and she doesn't mean the films!

Add to the list of "still-going-steadies"—Earl B. and Phyllis B., Alice K. and Harold A., Jo Anne H. and Tom H., Sally B. and Cecil B. might be added to that list as newcomers.

Bob D. thinks a certain blonde from town is pretty special and no kiddin'—she sure is cute.

Helen S. and Elcy U. are going together again. Here's hoping . . .

All you fellows have got a chance with Doris S. She isn't going steady.

This week Marigrace S., current heart-throb is Henry Van Kempen. Next week, who knows??

Paul Revere isn't the only one who takes midnight rides. Paul W. and Lois B. could tell you something about it.

What would Mrs. Barber do without Bobby Dale W. to close windows for her in 6th hour study hall?

How's come Jo Anne H. changes color when anyone mentions 'alum' to her?

SCHOOL NEWS

T. B. Tests have been sponsored by Saint Joseph Public Service. Tests have been given to the pupils of the ninth and eleventh grades, also to the boys who have gone out for athletics.

Teachers' Institute will be October 24 and 25.

P.T.A. has no schedule out as yet, but its first meeting will be held October 3, 1946.

Some of the veterans have come back to finish school. There are three; all were in the navy. They are Richard Gray who had his training at Great Lakes, Illinois, and then after his training went to Guam. His rating was Seaman 2/c. He received his discharge at Great Lakes, Illinois, on July 29, 1946. He is a senior.

William John Rose, also discharged from the navy comes back as a senior. He took his training at Great Lakes. He was on the U.S.S. Tennessee. He was at Iwo Jima and Okinawa, and occupation to Japan. He received his discharge at Great Lakes, June 6, 1946. His rating was Seaman 2/c.

William Jasper Rose, Seaman 2/c, received his training at Great Lakes, Illinois. He was sent to the Phillipines and Marcus Islands. He is a junior this year. He received his discharge at Great Lakes on June 26, 1946.

Sally B. is well accomplished in the art of evasion, isn't she Schied?

Most of the seniors seem to have fun playing a fascinating little game they call "Trolls" . . .

It looks like the real thing between Tereasa and Baldy. How about that, kids?

And they talk about girls being silly! Take a look at Jack Myers and those painted clod-hoppers he wears!!

Mitchell is still carrying the torch for Mary Lou. He must have it bad—

Bert R. seems to have a profound interest in Adams this year. Could Joan be the cause of it all? And Sossoman, who is Boo??

Mary Droud is going steady now and seems to think he's plenty O.K.

You say there's a slam book going around? Think twice before you start one, girls! They're rather plain talkers!

Phyllis K. still thinks Dick Asire is the One and Only. That's swell because we rather think the feeling is mutual.

Say, you fellows better wake up—there's a new senior girl in school and she's pretty cute. Her name is Mary Breda, so—you take it from there.

The Minuteman Hayride must have really been something. Nobody wants to talk about it!!

WHAT'S YOUR OPINION?

By Marianne Van Es

School days are here again and once more we start to search our bookcases for last year's books, to either sell or to start the subject over.

Happy Days! The school paper is to come out, and what's a more interesting subject than, "What's your opinion of the school year as of now?"

For yours truly, it's going to mean lots of work, but I hope there will be time for play, too.

From a brilliant former junior came the answer "Not Bad." Of course! It's Cecil Bennett.

Sally Mowers says, "I don't like Washington Clay." (My goodness, Sally, what do you want for nothing.)

As my eyes gaze around the study hall who should they fall on but Mrs. Barber who replied, "In three years of teaching here, it's been the best, but it still isn't perfect." (Give us time. I'll bet we'll improve.)

Now for a new freshman's opinion. Beatrice Sowers says, and I quote, "So far, so good, but the school is much too crowded. I think we should have dancing at noons and, sometimes, programs. We sure could have fun."

So with this, I'll close by saying, "Thanks to everyone for taking part in my column."

ONE WOMAN'S OPINION!

by Marianne Van Es

Girls are going to be girls again! More tailored dresses, skirts and blouses and less sloppy joe sweaters. This is a very good idea. The weaker sex should look feminine—be more like the old-fashioned girl. Not that I mean we should wear longer dresses with high necks or a bustle in back, but a dress that really does something for you!

The peasant blouses and drindle skirts are very clever, and to set off that small waist, let's wear a wide belt. It gives that flattering, slim look as well.

Also very popular are the cap sleeves left over from the summer. No girl will mind giving up an outfit of blue jeans and a long skirt for an attractive tailored dress with cap sleeves. I wouldn't.

Plain dresses with embroidered designs are very neat. (It also might be a hint of our friendship with China as well.) Almost any girl looks good in a plain dress. If you are a good seamstress and like to sew your own clothes, you have the advantage of designing your own pattern. For decorations many girls are buying these ready-made initials to sew on collars or pockets of dresses and blouses. To me there

THE COLONIAL POLL

Bill Barrett — Phil Claxton

Starting this week we are going to try to bring you a poll of some interesting subject. If during the coming weeks you have some subject you would like us to poll please let us know. The subject this week is "Should High School Students Go Steady?" The poll is taken of one hundred students and then put on a percentage basis.

These are the results:
Those against going steady—total 52%
Those in favor of going steady—total 48%

And there you have it. The subject for the next issue will be "Who Do You Think Is The Best Male Singer—Crosby—Sinatra—Haymes?"

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Two Blocks North of Washington-Clay School

Washington-Clay's Softball Practice Begins-Colonials Lose First Game

The Washington-Clay softball practice has begun. It began the first day of school. There were approximately thirty boys out for the team.

Ten of them are returning from last year's service. The veterans who are returning are Heckaman, Butterbaugh, Call, Asire, Bennett, Huss, McNerney, Womack, Corely and Miller. We also have another veteran trying out for the team. He is William J. Rose, a veteran of foreign wars.

The opening game is with Woodrow Wilson.

HERE IT IS?

The Washington-Clay Softball Schedule

- Washington-Clay vs. Woodrow Wilson, Sept. 10—Here.
- Washington-Clay vs. Walkerton, Sept. 13—There.
- Washington-Clay vs. Lakeville, Sept. 17—Here.
- Washington-Clay vs. Carlisle, Sept. 20—There.
- Washington-Clay vs. Madison, Sept. 24—Here.
- Washington-Clay vs. North Liberty, Sept. 27—There.
- Washington-Clay vs. Greene, Oct. 1—There.

Joe and Jane Of the Week

By "Sallie"

JANE OF THE WEEK

Take a gal about five feet three inches tall, with brown hair and the softest curls, a scrumptious smile that would make any senior fellow melt, and you have our Jane of the week.

She's really a whiz in that first hour freshman Biology class, but don't let that throw you.

Yep, she's on the ground floor, 'cause it won't be long 'till she'll be wearing one of the sharp Sub-Deb jackets, and then she'll be beaten with a solid beat.

Well, you've all guessed who this little gal is, yes, our Jane of the week is, *Betty Solbrig*.

JOE OF THE WEEK

Say gals, have you seen that red-headed freshman bobbing around here. If you haven't, you better look into the matter. With those blue eyes and that red wavy hair, he's really in there.

It looks like biology has taken the hearts of its pupils; cause our Joe of the week says its his favorite class.

Keep your eyes open when the freshman start playing ball 'cause our Joe will be in there pitching.

By now I know you know who he is, but I'll tell you anyway, our Joe of the week is none other than, *Dick Johnson*.

G. A. A. News

We are starting our campaign for new members for our G.A.A.

We also have a new director, Miss Brannenber.

The G.A.A. is getting underway this week with the first meeting of the season.

The girls are turning in points that they have earned, during the summer months, by swimming, hiking, horseback riding, and biking.

The sportsmanship's award for last year was awarded to Phyllis Galvas and Mary Rose Pattitucci.

The officers of the G.A.A. are Joyce Haskins, President; Gerry Bombrys, Vice-President; Norma Hartung, Secretary; Lois Butterbaugh, Treasurer; and Velma Fowler, Point Recorder.

STRICTLY PERSONAL

but space does not permit, therefore, we'll take only a brief resume.

He landed by plane at Peiraeus, the seaport of Athens. His first impressions were the sunny weather cooled by a strong breeze from the Aegian Sea. The streets were very well built and had withstood the war. A six lane boulevard led to the city of Athens. The people were comparatively clean and did not appear to be extremely undernourished. These people speak Greek in a soft, smooth voice. The Athenians are a very proud people and their pride lies in their ruins.

We start our excursion at the foot of the Acropolis Hill. As we ascend we come upon the Greek Theater, which now dates back to 500 B. C., filled with marble seats. As we climb higher we may look down upon the Roman Theater which is in good repair today and is being used for concerts. The acoustics in this theater are excellent. At the top of the ascend we see the Temple of Victory. Let us go on to the Temple of Athena, a very beautiful temple that is slowly being restored.

Other points of interest in the city of Athens are: the old stadium about the size of the Notre Dame stadium. Athletics and political rallies are held there at present; the market-place where some of the oldest temples of the ancient Greeks are found; the Academy road which leads to Plato's Academy; the Library of Herculaneus where men could spend their lives learning through books.

The homes of the Atheneans are in a good state of repair. They use quite a bit of glass and tile in their homes. The theaters, restaurants, and night clubs are of the small-town type. The people dress very much like the Americans and are very proud of their dress and speech. The Athenians are very satisfied in their own country and have no desire to come to the U. S. A. as we might expect.

I guess that is all for this time. Thank you, teachers, for the cooperation. Thanks, kids, for reading this.

PRESIDENTS NIP COLONIALS

The opening game of the season for the Washington-Clay softball team was won by Woodrow Wilson, 5-4.

In the very first inning the Colonials tagged Woodrow Wilson for three runs on two hits. Womak opened the Colonials' inning by getting a double. Butterbaugh followed and hit a single, scoring Womak. Huss flied out, scoring Butterbaugh. Heckaman walked, Asire flied out, scoring Heckaman.

Woodrow Wilson came back in the second inning, getting two runs. A walk and a home run by Bonder, counted for Wilson's runs.

The other Colonial tally came in the third inning. From then on Wilson held the Colonials scoreless.

Wilson came back in the fourth, getting two runs. The winning run came in the sixth inning.

The final score: Woodrow Wilson 5; Colonials 4.

Womak, the losing pitcher. Van Lee the winning pitcher.

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