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Experience Shows There's

No Fool Like an April Fool

By Vic Lake

Did you notice? More white teeth were flashed around—more giggles than usual. All of them signs of the day for clowns, of the day for fools—April Fools' Day. If the day passed without your realization of all this, perhaps it was because you were busy thinking up a new angle for yourself.

Let's take stock of what happened today. After falling for the old gag that your shoestrings were untied three times, you didn't have to

worry about that one again. Besides, didn't you wear your loafers today?

But still, you feel proud of yourself. Didn't you pass out seven sticks of "doctored" gum before the kids got wise to your scheme and made you finish the second pack all by yourself?

Gee, no fuss can be made, this is April Fools' Day. It's really the day when you have to have your wits about you all the time and keep on your toes. Yeah, boy, that's you all over!

But now it's time to get down to business. After all, that big test the English teacher promised for today won't be any cinch. Admittedly, though, your selfcontrol is a little shaken when the teacher smiling announces that all your slaving was in vain. No test—April Fool!

Oh, well, it really is a lot of fun. Even if you are the victim of some clever prankster, can take pride in the fact that you are not the only one and that within five minutes you will probably be fooling someone else.

But in conclusion, here's a question: Did you see those footprints on the ceiling in 209?

Circle in Red

- April 1-2—Junior play, "Tish."
- April 6—Band assembly.
- April 11-15—Spring vacation.
- April 19—Brooks Contest manuscripts due.
- April 22—Association party.
- April 30—Mt. Union Music Festival.

Teeners Invited To Attend Service at Reilly Stadium

Teen-agers and their college friends are invited to attend a Union Worship Service to be held Easter Sunday, April 17, at 6:30 A.M. at Reilly Stadium.

The service is planned by delegates from the local Methodist, Baptist, English Lutheran, Christian, and Presbyterian churches in recognition of the Easter celebration. Rev. George Beebe of the Methodist Church is in charge of the program.

Seniors Ballot For Class Gift

Seniors voted this week for the class gift which is presented annually to the school by the graduating class.

Selection was made from a group of four items suggested and presented by members of the gift committee at a class meeting held Tuesday morning.

Articles under consideration included fluorescent lights for 209 study hall, which would be placed in two rows running the full length of the room.

An electric-arc motion-picture projector was also proposed. Last year's seniors gave \$735 toward the purchase of a picture machine but, by adding the same amount to that fund this year, an arc projector could be obtained.

Another proposal was the buying of draperies for the auditorium. These would be placed on pulleys at each of the eight windows and over the rear doors. The pulleys would permit opening or closing as necessary.

The four suggestions provided for a large clock to be placed at the front of the school building. This would enable pupils, as well as the surrounding community, to have the correct time constantly. No definite price figure was available for the project. It was felt, however, that the cost would probably be low enough to permit the class to finance an assembly, starring a big-name performer, in addition to the purchase of the clock.

The gift committee was composed of Patty Thompson, Dick Tolson, Nancy Bates and Jerry Miller.

Hick Band To Furnish Music for Class Play

Departing from the usual custom of having the high school orchestra provide music before the performance of a class play, the Juniors plan to have a hill billy band furnish entertainment before the curtains open on the two performances of the comedy "Tish," scheduled for tonight and tomorrow night.

As The Quaker goes to press, homeroom 201 is leading the ticket sales with a total of 158 tickets. High salesman of the class is Don Wank, who has sold 70 tickets.

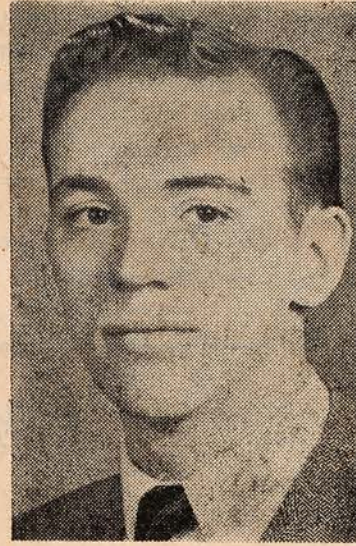
Following closely are Lois Firestone with 68 tickets and Willard Stamp with 51.

Other Junior homerooms stand as follows: 204, 148 tickets; 309, 135 tickets; 205, 128 tickets; 293, 126 tickets; 206, 78 tickets; 102, 28 tickets.

Reash, Tolson Chosen To Speak At Commencement Ceremonies



Marjorie Reash



Dick Tolson

King, Silver Represent Salem High In World Affairs Institute at Cincinnati

Lowell King and Don Silver, Salem High representatives, were among the more than 700 delegates from high schools in Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky who met in Cincinnati last week-end for the third annual World Affairs Institute to discuss the problems of peace and war.

Local delegates were sponsored by the Salem Rotary club.

The first general session opened with a dinner Friday night. Presiding over the session was Carl D. Groot, editor of the Cincinnati Post and noted commentator.

The first speaker of the evening was Walter Schultz, former district governor of the Rotary International. He spoke on fellowships by the Rotary in many nations. The second speaker was Bela Belassa, former consul general of Hungary, who quit his job as consul in protest to the Cardinal Mindzenty trial. He spoke on conditions in his native land under the Soviets.

The last speaker of the evening was the Hon. Francis H. Russell of the State Department. Russell's topic was the North Atlantic Pact.

The Hon. Frank Beswick, a member of the British Parliament, opened the second session on Saturday with a speech on "How One World Became Two."

The next speaker was Dr. J. H.

Furbay of Air World Education for T.W.A., speaking on the growth of the American post-war policy. The third speaker on the agenda was the Rt. Hon. Margaret Bonfield, member of the English parliament. Mrs. Bonfield spoke on the Marshall Plan. Closing the meeting was F. H. Russell speaking on Communism.

In the third session the delegates were divided into groups for open discussion in separate rooms. Presiding over the group which included the delegates from Salem, was Carl D. Groot, editor of the Cincinnati Post. The Salem delegation took active part in the discussion.

The fourth and final session was a luncheon at noon. The speeches were highlighted by a talk by the Hon. Warren A. Austin, United States Ambassador to the United Nations. Mr. Austin spoke of the part of youth in international affairs in the coming years.

Senior Class Vote Initiates New System

Marjorie Reash and Dick Tolson have been selected by their senior classmates to speak at the 1949 commencement exercises scheduled for the evening of June 9, according to Miss Mildred Hollett, senior adviser.

This is the first time in many years that class orators have been selected by a student vote. Previously, speakers were named by a faculty committee.

Balloting was continued in the homerooms until two of the original 33 nominees received a majority of the votes.

Marjorie is the editor-in-chief of the 1949 Quaker annual, having served on that publication as assistant editor last year. She is also a member of the Student Council, representing homeroom 208. She was on the Quaker weekly editorial staff for two years and was named Girls' State alternate last year.

President of the Student Council, Dick represents homeroom 207 in that organization. He also served as a basketball manager this season.

The current graduating class totals 152 members to date. Graduates will don the traditional caps and gowns, blue for the boys and white for the girls, at the recognition assembly, baccalaureate services and graduation exercises.

The subjects of the orations have not yet been selected but work on the speeches will begin soon. Each is to be approximately five minutes long.

Class Schedule Newly Revised

In order to achieve a more nearly uniform schedule of school sessions for the entire city, a new time arrangement was initiated for high school use this week by Principal Beman G. Ludwig.

According to Mr. Ludwig, the change has been considered for quite a while on the basis that the time for the beginning of each period is easier to remember if it comes on the hour, quarter hour or half hour.

The new schedule conforms more closely with that of other local schools and with the general practice of schools in this part of Ohio. It also permits faculty members to leave school 30 minutes after their last class. This is 18 minutes earlier than usual.

The changes in the morning set-up of classes found in the new school time include a shorter homeroom period of eight minutes, followed by four 45-minute periods with noon dismissal coming at 11:42.

The afternoon tardy bell rings now at 1:10 with the homeroom period ending at 1:12 and the three 45-minute periods terminating at 3:27. Students assigned to an eighth period remain in session until 3:57.

Juniors To Stage Class Play in Auditorium Tonight for First of Two Performances

The velvet curtains will open in the auditorium at 8:15 tonight on the first evening performance of the Junior class production of "Tish," with Nancy Stockton portraying the title role and Donna Schoss and Nina Snyder in the supporting parts of Lizzie and Aggie, respectively.

The play will be repeated tomorrow night.

Yesterday's matinee was well-received by the Junior High audience.

Directed by Miss Irene Weeks, the three-act comedy promises to be good entertainment for all theatergoers.

Based on the Mary Roberts Rinehart characterization of Tish, a

middle-aged spinster who manages to get and keep everyone around her in constant turmoil, the play by Alice Chadwicke follows the antics of this trouble-maker and her two best friends.

The entire action takes place in the lobby of the Eagle Hotel, which is located near the Mexican border and run by lovely Ellen Leighton, played by Helen Schuller. She owes a great deal of money to Luther Hopkins, played by Walt Mayhew. His daughter, Callie, played by Treva Bush, is Ellen's best friend and sneaks over to Ellen's hotel to tell her what Hopkins is planning.

Tish's nephew, Charlie Sands, played by George Cusack, falls in love with Ellen Leighton at first sight. However, he has a rip-roar-

ing time keeping his three maiden aunts, who are stopping at the same hotel, out of trouble.

Other members of the cast include Willard Stamp as Lem Pike, the sheriff; Rita Pierce as Bettina Trent, an authoress; Dave White as Wesley Andrews, her co-author; Don Wank as Denby Grimes, a movie director; Bernadine Fowler as Dorice Gaylord, a movie actress; Shirley Hill as Charita, a Mexican maid.

Assisting Miss Weeks with the directing of the play are Martha Whinery, senior and Jim Tausch, junior, as well as assistant coaches Shirley Hill, Bob Tarzan, Gene Dean and Caresse Krepps. Barbara Hughes and Shirley Robusch are the bookholders.

Pert Patter

By Barbara Ross

OO-OOPS!

A canny young fisher named Fisher
Once fished from the edge of a fissure.
A fish with a grin
Pulled the fisherman in.
Now-they're fishing the fissure for Fisher.

HERE'S WHAT'LL HAPPEN

One little, two little, three little lassies
Went down to the "Corner" to eat—
One little, two little, three little sundaes
And three little boy-friends to meet.

But, the three little lassies
With figures so neat
Forgot, with their sundaes,
To be so discreet.

With cherries and nuts the sundaes were
loaded.
The girls ate so much
That they nearly exploded.

Now, the one little, two little, three little
lassies
Whose figures WERE so-o neat,
Look like six gigantic lassies
When you see them on the street.

PERT'S PO'RIES

Roller skate upon the stair
Daddy didn't see it there.
Sailing through the air went he—
Visiting hours: two to three.

—F. G. Hernan.

AN IDEA

Mrs. Spriggs—"Do you need any shoes?"
Mrs. Briggs—"No."
Mrs. Spriggs—"Neither do I. Let's go into
this shoe store and rest while they try some
on us."

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High School Pickpocket Reveals Discoveries

The following students and teachers, when asked what their pockets contained, obligingly dumped the contents on the nearest desk. Some of the strange things found in the heap, besides a comb and handkerchief, were as follows:

Don Williams — Monkey wrench, cork-screw, bottle opener, and flashlight batteries.

Mr. Hilgendorf—Clothes brush—courtesy of the Fuller Brush Company.

Jerry Rice—The handle from his gearshift and money.

Mr. Ludwig—A hollow stone that whistles and a handful of paper clips.

Nick, Bill, Mike, Toffy, Dave, the managers —23 wallets, 7 wristwatches and 8 rings.

Jim Hurlburt—Mouse.

Emotional Words Lead To Faulty Reasoning

Communist! The moment you hear that word you form an opinion of the person who has received that name. This is only one of the many words that stand in the way of clear and logical reasoning by exciting emotions.

According to lists turned in to Mrs. Ella Thea Cox by her biology classes, the word "communists" causes the greatest emotional feeling. Other words causing high reaction are "queer," "moron," and "brat."

Two expressions can say nearly the same thing; yet, one will make you like a person, another, dislike him. For instance you might say, "He is very widely-read," or "He's a book-worm."

See the difference? Don't label your acquaintances with names that cause emotional reactions. Think clearly and logically and then show this by your actions.

Shirts 'n Skirts

By Marcy Vaughn

Lately several of the girls have been getting very dressed-up of an evening and looking very nice, by the way. Gayle Mellinger wears an especially lovely dark green dress, short-sleeved, with a gracefully tiered skirt.

Shirley Mason, always a pacesetter, came out with a new dress the other day. Flat gold buttons fasten the elbow length sleeves and march sedately down the front. The neckline is treated in a unique manner, two notched ribbons, of the same powder blue as the dress, extend from beneath the high, round collar. Soft, unpressed pleats give fullness to a skirt just full enough to be becoming.

Gloria Klein wears, on special evenings, a very pretty two piece suit of pumpkin colored faille; wide velveteen scallops trim the skirt and jacket.

Frances is another Kline who owns several very super date dresses. One of her favorites is a green faille with a pretty hat print in white. The plain round neckline sets off a tiny gold locket, one of Fran's most prized pieces of jewelry.

With spring just around the corner, it is plain to see that the quilted trim so popular last fall is coming in again. A junior, Dolores Rousher, has a darling dark green broomstick skirt with a wide quilted band around the hemline. It is very nice and looks especially so with crisp white blouses.

A freshman this year, Marilyn Miller seems to be well on her way toward making her mark in the world. A Petiteen Marilyn nearly always dresses in sharp pastel sweaters and skirts.

Our Town

(Editor's note: The following poem contains a collection of many thoughts held by the teen-agers of this town concerning recreational opportunities here. It was written by an adult citizen who sympathizes with our feelings. May many more in his category please take notice!)

In this town of ours 'tis true
There's nothing for the kids to do.
They can not swim or dance or race
Because we never have a place.
We build new schools and auditoriums
To make them bright which is good for them,
But to make them good and true
Is the aim for men and you.
And to accomplish this end
We must all begin to lend
Our support to things we need
To keep the kids from going to seed.
Good clean fun will help a lot
To put delinquency on the spot.
We know our kids are the best;
It's up to us to do the rest.
A swimming pool in our park
Would give the kids quite a lark.
A nice dance hall you will agree
Is something they would like to see.
Also more and better shows
Would help us all, goodness knows.
And last, but not the least, I'm sure,
Is one great aim that's good and pure
A big fieldhouse to all enjoy
Every girl and every boy
From 8 to 80 years will go
To see our boys put on a show.
Then and only then they'll find
The love we hold for them's not blind.
They'll cheer for us and be good kids
And we'll be glad we always did
Do our best to make them be
Good citizens like you and me.

Peppermint Patties

By Pat Thompson

A GAY TIME WAS HAD BY ALL

Saturday the Hi-Tri sponsored a dance in the gym with records supplying the music. The kids really had a good time and are now wondering why we can't have something like that EVERY week?

HURRY, HURRY!

Step right up here! That's it, little lady, get right in close where you can see. We have right inside this tent here one of the most sensational attractions ever featured

Strike Your Match For Middle Names

You've all heard of the middle man, we're sure. So just for a new twist on the one caught in the middle, here is a little (pardon the expression) test to see if you know middles.

Listed below are the names of several Salem High pupils and opposite them is a list of their middle names. Are you a "match" for them?

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| 1. Joanne Ciccozzi | A. Sylvester |
| 2. Helen Gottschling | B. Sunday |
| 3. Terrence Moore | C. Wilhemina |
| 4. Jerry Smith | D. Agatha |
| 5. David Jones | E. Cecelia |
| 6. Jeri Hagan | F. Huber |
| 7. Frances Kline | G. Gee |
| 8. Jerry Miller | H. Eroll |
| 9. Ammon Anderson | I. Gustave |
| 10. Nick Zantal | J. Truman |

ANSWERS:—1 B 2 C 3 G 4 H 5 J 6 D 7 E 8 F 9 A 10 T.

Origin of April Fool's Day Lies in Revision Of Medieval Calender by Pope Gregory

"The first of April, some do say
Is set apart for All Fools' Day;
But why the people call it so
Nor I nor they themselves, do know.
But on this day are people sent
On purpose for pure merriment."

The origin of April Fools' Day is vague, the reason for its observance having been long lost while its customs still prevail. Up until the 16th century, March 21 was the beginning of the New Year. In those days the New Year ushered in a whole week of celebrations and the last or eighth day of the festivities was devoted to an exchange of gifts.

In the year 1564, Pope Gregory introduced a new calendar which France was the first to adopt and by which March 21 was no longer the beginning of the New Year, and

on the midway. You may have seen it before, but you certainly don't want to miss it now. It's the couple of the week. Yes sir, I'm gonna tell you who it is. One of the nicest couples we've had—GLADYS WRIGHT and ART VOTAW.

GLADA ZEE YA!

Translated means "glad to see you." We've been saying that to our fellow class-mates and alumni who've been home for spring vacation or between quarters these past two weeks. Some of the "strangers" are Carol Kelley, Bob Campbell, Bud Roose, Leo Copacio, Dick Jones, Buddy Cutcliffe, Dick Walken, and many others whom we're mighty happy to see again.

BIRTH OF AN ARTIST

A really sharp tablet is currently being sported by Jack Hochadel. Jack has decorated the front of his "paper holder" with schmoos, Spanish phrases, and the love lives of his buddies. Better rush over and see it quick before he buys another one.

TOUCHE!

A duel is being fought. The time: fourth period. The place: 310 study hall. The weapons: two sharp pencils. The swordsmen: Bob Whitacre and Don Wank.

REAL CUTE!

We're describing the Junior play preview, of course. Bob Tarzan's singing, Martha Whinery's cow-girl outfit, and the acting of all the members of the cast were really good. Hope all of you have your tickets for the gala event tonight and tomorrow night. See you at TISH!

G.A.A. Girls Enjoy Dance

The G.A.A. square dance held in the gym last Friday night was pronounced a success by the approximately 50 persons attending.

Gilbert Edgerton was in charge of the records that provided the music for the square dance, schottisches, round dances, and polkas. Mr. Edgerton also served as caller for the square dances.

The G.A.A. is now investigating the possibilities of having a similar dance with all school students invited. However, only the first 100 pupils buying tickets would be eligible to attend since a crowd in excess of that number could not square dance freely in the gym.

Joan (meeting the young man with whom she had quarreled the year before): "Sorry," she murmured sweetly, "I didn't quite get your name."

John (cheerfully): "I know you didn't but you tried hard enough."

He: "We could make such beautiful music together."

She: "Really!"

He: Yes, you're built so much like a piano."

Doctor: I don't like the looks of your husband.

Mrs. Crumble: Neither do I, but he's good to our children.

In Brief . . .

VARSITY S JACKETS

The members of the Varsity S club received jackets signifying their membership last week. The jackets are three-quarter length gray, trimmed in black. A red Chenille "S" on the upper right of the front marks the wearer as a Salem letterman.

150 ATTEND DANCE

Approximately 150 students attended the Hi-Tri dance last Saturday night from 8:30 to 11:30. The sale of tickets amounted to about \$19.20. Music was provided by records of the currently popular songs.

The club wishes to extend its thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Pipaj, who served as chaperones of the dance.

May Purchase Painting

French Club members are considering the selection of a good French oil painting to be given to the school. Club treasury funds will be used for this purpose.

Mary Ibele, senior, won first prize in the French vocabulary game that was played at the last meeting of the club.

ENFORCE ATTENDANCE

A decision to enforce regular attendance at meetings was reached by the Salemasquers when that organization met recently.

Members who have not been present at three successive meetings are to be warned that they will be dropped from the roll if more meetings are missed.

Salemasquers also discussed the purchase of emblems similar to the pins signifying their membership. No decision was reached on this question.

Betty Hergenrother entertained with accordion selections requested by those present.

Son: Why do we have eagles on American money?

Father: Why er-er-it's a symbol of its quick flight.

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JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

A recent assembly featured Miss Joyce Allabach's craft classes using the masks they made the first semester. The program was in two separate parts.

The first was a scene from "The Mad Hatter's Tea Party." Peter Ballatine, as the Master of Ceremonies, interviewed the members of the party who were Alice in Wonderland, Nancy Zeck; Dorothy of Oz, Gloria Andres; Dorothy's dog, Toto, George Nannah; the Duchess, Barbara McGaffick; King of Hearts, Shirley McClish; Mad Hatter, Sue Ann Baker; Tin Woodman, Bob Talbot; Door Mouse, Darleen Datilio; White Rabbit, Shirley Wisler; Scarecrow, Ann Hae Whinnery.

This was followed by a characterization of the masks in Robin Hood, featuring Alice De Boughforest, Gretchen Bodendorfer, and Fair Marion, Jocelyn Snyder, as the main speakers.

The rest of the cast were as follows: Friar Tuck, Joel Sharp; Robin Hood, George Bowman; Sheriff, Eldon Bentley; King Richard, John Chester; Tinker, Grace Miller; Ket the Trow, Barbara Patterson; Sir Richard at Lee, Bob Hutcheson; Isenbart de Belame, Evelyn Wright; Will Scarlet, David Reichart; Little John, Herbert Fiets; Niger le Grym, Sally Hisbeck.

Ten members of the orchestra also played. They were Joan Schuller, Paul Hannay, Nancy Bailey, Carola Coy, Alice Huddleston, Jack Hively, Kay Ferrall, Dale Gorton, Tom Beall and Bruce Snyder.

Ann Stowe, vice president of the librarians, announced the program.

The P.T.A. held its first meeting of the year last week. Doctor Dwight Arnold of Kent State University spoke on "Helping Children to Grow Up." The Junior High band furnished musical entertainment.

The champion basketball team of 1949 is 8A. They became 8th grade champs by downing 8E, the first round victors. 8A then scored over the 7th grade champs, 7E.

The only rooms to reach the \$200 mark in the tax sales collection are the 7A's, 8D's and 7C's.

Juniors Sport New Class Rings

"Rings on her fingers—." Yes, at last the long-awaited Junior class rings have put in their appearance in these hallowed halls.

The rings this year are different from those chosen in the past in that the traditional Quaker head is incised in the top of the ring rather than raised.

One item is a little puzzling though. Why are some of the boys wearing those small rings while a few of the girls are laboring under the load of an economy-sized one? In connection with the fact it is observed that it is mostly in the "steady" couples that this phenomenon occurs.

CLASS STRUGGLE

He's working his way through college.

A task that is irksome and grim, But a cinch to the job that the college has

Of working its way through him.

COMPROMISE

The tip that I leave my waiter (I find it the safest bet)

Is in between what I'd like to give And the one he'd like to get.

Acertain high school professor, who at times is rather blunt in speech, remarked to his class of boys at the beginning of a lesson: "I don't know why it is—every time I get up to speak, some fool talks."

Art Classes Paint Scenery for Play

As the Junior play goes on stage tonight, the art classes, as well as their instructor, Mrs. Ethel Headrick, may view the results of their work of the past weeks on the difficult background of the play.

Through the windows of the hotel lobby, where the entire action is staged, a typical desert town is seen. The art students have created the illusion of heat emanating from the leather goods store, the Lone Star Cafe, and the drugstore. The desert itself seems to fade off into the distance as a result of the skillful painting techniques.

The backdrop is painted on mattress boxes which were obtained from Arbaugh's and McCulloch's stores.

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Cope Selects Boys For All-Gym Team

Upon the completion of the second round of basketball play-offs in the boys' gym classes, F. E. Cope, class instructor, recently announced the all-gym-class team. Members were selected from a total of 16 games involving 181 players.

Phil Hunter, Wayne Slosser, Glenn Bruderly, Frank Harrigan and Don Youtz have been named as the top five.

The second team consists of Fred Baker, Anthony Colian, George Mangus, Dusan Sobek and Floyd Hardgrove.

The third squad includes Jack Sonagere, George Bosu, Jimmy Lewis, Gordon Berkhimer, Harold Reedy and Lee Utterback.

Honorable mention goes to Gary Greenisen, Harold Guy, John Tarzan, George Roher, Dan Herman, Bill Sommers, James Garlock, Ray Patterson, Bill McCormick, Wayne Amos and Bob Roth.

In addition to selecting the outstanding individual players, Mr. Cope also designated certain classes for their qualities. The class showing the best sportmanship is that of the first period on Wednesdays and Fridays. The best game form was shown by the boys in the sixth period class on Mondays and Wednesdays. The third period class of Mondays and Thursdays showed the most spirit, and the highest scoring records are held by the fifth period class on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The top 10 scorers for two rounds are Wayne Slosser with 159 points; Phil Hunter, 144; Glenn Bruderly, 129; Yon Youtz, 108; William Baker, 103; Jack Sonagere, 103; George Alek (12 games), 96; Lee Utterback, 93; Frank Harrigan, 91, and Bill Sommers, 88.

Cope Puts Coaching Aside To Devote Time as Manager

F. E. Cope, for 15 years "Mr. Track" in Salem, recently stepped aside as track coach in order to handle a job he's been doing with one hand ever since he returned to his home town 16 years ago. His successor is Troy Penner, who served him as assistant last year. Mr. Penner is being assisted this year by Coach Frank Tarr.

The combined tasks of being track coach and faculty manager are too commanding, even for a guy like Mr. Cope.

"One of the big reasons for giving up track coaching was to spend more time on the management of the meets; there being the Salem Night Relays, District A and B meets, and the ever-present Columbiana County meet," states F. E. Cope. "Another is because my capable assistant of 1948, Troy Penner, seemed to me to have the ability to carry on the track program that Salem has been used to for the past 30 years."

Some years ago Mr. Cope ran track for Salem High and Mount Union College, held the state college two-mile record for more than 10 years, ran in the Olympic Try-outs in California in 1932 and coached three years as head coach at Bucyrus, Ohio.

Coming to Salem in 1933, he was named Faculty Manager and two years later head track coach, succeeding Floyd Stone.

"I got my biggest thrill in winning the Salem Night Relays in 1937, when a record of 40 teams entered the meet," says Mr. Cope.

Many of the boys he has coached here have been successful track men

in college. Elliott Hansell captained the 1947 University of Pennsylvania track team and ran the 100-yard dash in 9.8 seconds to tie a 33-year-old record. Glenn Thorne, Bill Ward, Kenneth O'Connell, Bob Little, John Ursu, John Etoita and, until recently, Mutt Roessler have



F. E. Cope

been members of college track teams. Dick Theiss will enter Kent State to compete in the broad jump in which event he starred in High school.

At the present time, Mr. Cope is vice-president of the State Track Coaches Ass'n. and is running for president of the group now. He feels it would be a great honor to hold the presidency, since there are 790 coaches eligible.

"To sum it up," he explains, "I am no longer the head coach, but wherever there is a meet going on or equipment to handle, I'll be there."

Older Brother: "Where did you get the red lantern?"

Younger Brother: "I just found it. Some careless person left it by a hole in the ground."

Tramp: "Could you give a poor fellow a bite?"

Man: "I don't bite myself, but I'll call the dog."

Sportively Speaking

By Dick Brautigam

Salem High's gymnasium moves farther out of style as each day goes by. Anyone who attended the "A" and "B" Finals at Columbus will tell you that.

The Fairgrounds Coliseum is one of the most amazing structures in Ohio. All it takes to turn the huge basketball court into the nicest swimming pools you've ever feasted your eyes on is a good hard sprinkle. The referees mopping up the rain water from the floor of the Delphos St. Johns-Lockland Wayne game was about all the excitement produced in the tournament.

Hamilton didn't get a true test in either game and it is still doubtful about their superiority in the state. Niles, their first opponent, certainly didn't belong in Columbus. The Red Dragons were good but there were at least a dozen better teams in Northeastern Ohio.

Toledo Central, Hamilton's next victim, had a fine team but played without the services of their high-scoring center and a first strong guard. Take Salem's center, Jim Callahan, plus leading scorer Tom Miner, out of the line up and the Quakers would be somewhat under par too.

Akron St. Vincent, the other contending Class A five, would have been a lot better off if they had drawn Niles for their opening game.

The Akron boys let Toledo go so far ahead in the first half of their game, that when they picked up almost 20 points on Central in the third period, they were still behind.

In Class B it was somewhat the same story: two teams that belonged there and two others that weren't quite so good. Delphos St. Johns and Lockland Wayne engaged in the closest contest of the tourney. The teams took turns scoring during most of the game, but Delphos lost

their heads in the final minutes and scored twice in a row, winning 47 to 43.

The muscles of Salem's tracksters are still bulging as Coach Penner forces the boys through their paces. Almost everyone seems to be in condition except the coach. Those cokes he had during the off-season seem to be telling on the man. The boys spent most of last week taking calisthenics. It's true that schools don't usually bring teams to Salem for push-up contests, but there's more to track than meets the eye.

A few schools have already engaged in some meets. A keen Salem rival, East Palestine, placed 3rd in the annual Tri-State Track Association indoor championship held in Pittsburgh last week. Bob Young is again the Bulldog spark-plug. He captured the 50-yard low hurdles and placed second in his specialty, the broad jump. Nineteen teams from Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia were entered in the event.

Bernie Skvarka is back for another year with Struthers and he, along with Young, should have quite a race for scoring honors when the District Meet takes place here in Salem on May 21. The Quakers will have a preview of Skvarka on May 10, when Struthers comes to Salem.

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