

# Committee Names Commencement Musicians

Upperclassmen Will Dance in

## Beautiful Cypress Gardens

At Annual Junior-Senior Prom

By Mable Lou Hannay  
Mystic Spanish moss mingled with multi-colored wisteria will form a canopy when couples sway to the dreamy music of Dick Richards and his orchestra at the Junior-Senior Prom, June 3. Pink flamingos, red and white hibiscus and rustic footbridges promise added charm and color when the Salem Golf Club is transformed into Florida's beautiful Cypress Gardens for this unforgettable event.

A main attraction of the evening will be the appearance of the Tasmen, a male quartet which has appeared on the Arthur Godfrey show and other television programs. This talented group met at Ohio State University where they attended school.

Another feature will be a performance by lovely Gloria Van, a popular vocalist who has starred with Wayne King, Jimmy Durante, and has sung in the Cole Porter

Revue. Miss Van, a cousin of SHS students Theresa and Jerry Menichelli, is formerly from Alliance, Ohio, but now makes her home in

This week the first and second pages of the QUAKER are in the hands of the junior assistant editors, Jim Barcus and Mary Mercer. Jim slaved over the first page and Mary spent time and labor on the second.

Next week the Quaker will publish the last edition of the year, the 25th.

Chicago where she is a popular entertainer.

After the dance all couples, chaperones and guest stars will go to the State Theater where the Talismen and Miss Van will present a program. The next attrac-

tion will be a movie, titled "Daddy Long Legs." It is a glorious musical with an interesting plot and has not yet appeared in this vicinity.

When these festivities are over the crowd will journey to the Elks Club where a breakfast will be served, compliments of the Elks and Kiwanis.

The decoration committee has been holding regular noon meetings and working at night making the necessary decorations and arrangements. Jim Barcus is the chairman of this committee. Other chairmen are Carol Brautigam, refreshments, and Lucius Huddleston, programs. The committees are comprised of class officers Jerry Cosgrove, Dick Coppock and Marlynn Mallery, and committee members Jack Alexander, Donna Blender, Bob Conroy, Mable Lou Hannay, Jackie Houts, Mary Mercer, Ken Shaffer, Barb Young and Joe Sobek.

## Sue Hill, Duane Bates, Octet to Perform June 9

Ten students from the senior class have been selected by the Commencement Committee as musicians for the commencement exercises which will be held June 9 at Reilly Field.

Those chosen include soloist Sue Hill; pianist Duane Bates; and a vocal octet comprised of Sharlene Sanlo, Marcia Kille, Bob Brantingham, Dave Brantingham, Bob Domencetti, Jay Althouse, Kay Pasco and Gayle Paxson.

Sue has been a Quaker Queen candidate for four years and was chosen last year's Queen. She was a member of the Football Girl's Court and is now secretary of the Association, a Thespian, a member of Spanish Club, a member of the Quaker Annual staff and a chorus member. Sue received a Marie Burns award her sophomore year.

Duane is drum major and vice-president of the band. He was recently named "Bandsman of the Year." He is also a two-year Marie Burns award recipient, a member of the Spanish Club and of Formaldeades.

Gayle is a dramatics assistant and has memberships in Hi-Tri, chorus and Thespians.

Marcia holds memberships in chorus and Thespians, while Bob

and David Brantingham are also chorus members. Bob is the senior class president.

Active in many phases of Salem High's extra-curricular program is Bob Domencetti. He is a Marie Burns award winner, president of the band, president of the chorus and was chosen "Chorister of the Year." He has played football, and is a member of Thespians, German Club and Varsity S.

Vice-president of the chorus, Jay Althouse, is a monitor and a member of Formaldeades.

Kay, a four-year member of the chorus, is a Thespian, a member of both the Quaker Weekly and Annual business staffs and has attended Mount Union Music Festival.

## Clothing Classes Imitate Popular TV Performances

Many favorite TV programs will be reenacted tonight in the SHS auditorium when the clothing classes present their 12th annual Style Show, "Visions on Television."

Heralding the appearance of the 73 girls modeling their own creations will be Mistress of Ceremonies Ruth Rae Mountz.

## Bulletin Boards Renovated by SC

Newly renovated bulletin boards greeted the eyes of SHS students last Monday morning. Bob McArtor and his student council committee are responsible for this improvement.

Every Tuesday for the remainder of the year the Student Council will meet to hear reports on visits made by members to nearby high schools.

The purpose of the meetings is to provide a chance for discussion of ways to improve the Council. Various members have visited Parma, Youngstown Chaney, Kent Roosevelt, Poland and Canton Lehman High Schools observing the methods used by other councils.

A committee headed by Marilyn Schaefer has been named to choose the annual gift to the SHS library.

## GAA Sends Girls on Annual Tour; Will Visit NYC, UN, Philadelphia

The Girls' Athletic Association will once again send members who have earned at least 200 points for athletic endeavors on a tour

of New York City, Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

The itinerary for the first day in New York includes an excursion to the United Nations Building, Greenwich Village, Wall Street, the Bowery, Chinatown, Grant's Tomb, Columbia University, afternoon swimming in the Hotel Shelton pool and an evening at Coney Island.

On the second day they will witness the United Nations in session and enjoy a boat ride around Manhattan. A visit to Radio City Music Hall, a tour of an ocean liner in dock, and afternoon swimming at the seashore will conclude the third day of the trip. The remaining days will be spent at Atlantic City and historical points of interest in Philadelphia.

Miss Edith Cope will accompany the girls. The travelers include: Janet Reeder, president; Mary Kuffleitner, Francis Ziegler, Annetta Citino, Shirley Hartsough, Darlene Smith, Kay Lutsch, Phyllis Milliken, Margaret Mordeux, Helen Yeager, Sandra Scattergood, Mary Lou Andre, Marilyn Kloos, Helen Spack, Marsha Fleischer, Ginny Lane, Donna Davis, Nancy Conley, Carole Stone, Joan Slaby, Audrey Votaw, Jo Ann Hilverding, Kathleen Metts, Marcella Volpe, Margaret Potts, Penny Parker, Pat Ross, Joan Citino, Barbara Paulin, Jean Hayes, Leah Whinnery, Carolyn Falk and Karen Bass.

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## Dick Hunter Elected '56 President, Weber, Hoppes to Lead Underclasses

Announced this week as leaders of next year's freshman, sophomore and junior classes were Dan Weber, Bill Hoppes and Dick Hunter, respectively. For the senior class Bill Bennett, vice-president, and Jeanette Harris, secretary, will out the slate, while Bob McArtor, vice-president, and Joyce

Bailey, secretary, complete the list of junior officers. Lani Waiwaiole and Nancy Cope were elected vice-president and secretary by the sophomores.

Dick Hunter has served as president of the Student Council this year. He is a three-year member of the Varsity basketball squad and plays the French horn in the SHS band. Bill Bennett is also a member of the Student Council, plays in the band and is active in other school organizations. Jeanette is secretary of the Formaldeades.

Bill Hoppes was selected this year as a representative to the JRC Leadership Training Center at Miami University. Bob McArtor was vice-president his freshman year and last year led the class as president. Joyce Bailey was

elected to the same position last year.

Dan Weber is a brother of last year's freshman class president, Mark Weber. This is Lani's first year as a class officer and Nancy's second year as secretary.

## Hi-Tri Installs Marlynn Mallery As New President

Marlynn Mallery was installed as president of the Hi-Tri for the forthcoming school year at the annual Hi-Tri Mother-Daughter dinner held Tuesday, May 17, at the Winona Methodist Church. Marlynn succeeds this year's president, Ruth Rae Mountz.

Also installed at the affair were Mitzie Theiss who succeeds vice-president, Barbara J. Beery; Barbara Erath who was elected to replace secretary, Sharlene Sanlo; and Sally Allen who will assume the office of treasurer vacated by Anne Livingston.

Following the dinner Marlynn delivered the welcome speech and her mother, Mrs. E. W. Mallery, gave the mother's response. Mitzie bade the seniors farewell on behalf of the juniors.

Special entertainment was presented by Marilyn Schramm, Mary Mercer and Jean Yarian. The club song was sung by the Hi-Tri members.

Each mother was presented with a rose and senior members received gifts from the juniors.

The last regular Hi-Tri meeting of the year was held May 11.

## Juniors Nominate Football Girl

Nominations were held last week by the junior class for the selection of the 1955-56 Football Girl to succeed this year's queen, Dolores Leone. Sally Kirkbride, Jeanette Harris, Janet Patterson, Mary Mercer and Bonnie Zimmerman were the finalists in the voting. The selection will be made public at the final recognition assembly June 3.

## Industrial Arts Annual Exhibit Opens Thursday

The annual Industrial Arts Exhibit will open next Thursday at 7 p.m. in the high school gym and will continue through Saturday night.

On display are drawings, furniture, wrought iron articles, paintings, sculptures, lamps, stools, bookends and novelty items made by students in wood industries, art, mechanical drawing and metal industries. Each student in these classes has one or more articles exhibited.

High school teachers in charge are J. O. Hagedorn, Robert Alexander, Miss Ada Hanna and Eugene Lowell. The exhibit is free of charge and is open to the public. Students may view the exhibit during the lunch hour.

## Association Members To Elect New Officers

Nominations for next year's Association officers were conducted in underclass home rooms this morning.

Elections will begin next Tuesday. The officers of the Association, president, vice-president and secretary, work with adviser Fred Burchfield in planning assemblies and the annual Association Party in the spring.

The newly elected officers will succeed President Jim Beard, Vice-president Bob Domencetti and secretary Sue Hill.

## At Long Last

## Quaker Assembly Set Next Friday

Many deep dark secrets will be revealed next Friday by 1955 Yearbook Editor Barbara Wright at the annual Quaker Recognition Assembly.

The names of the 1954-55 Quaker King and Queen will be announced and the seniors' names in the "Who's Who" section of the Annual will be revealed.

Barbara will present the first copy of the yearbook to the dedicatee chosen last fall.

The Annual editor and her assistant, Donna Blender, will present awards to their staff.

Quaker Weekly staff members and typists will also receive their rewards for the year's work.

Nick Buta, business manager for the Quaker publications, will present awards to the business and sales staffs.

Mrs. Ruth Loop, editorial adviser, and Fred Burchfield, business adviser, will introduce the editors and business manager and present them their pins.



## Slow Down, Kids; Safety Is A Must

By Barbara Cobourn

Death or crippling injury to a young person is one of the most tragic happenings of today's society. Yet many teenagers flirt with these possibilities every day behind the wheels of their cars.

For reasons unknown to others they get some sort of thrill out of peeling, turning corners on two wheels or beating a classmate in a "drag" race, which proves exactly nothing, except, perhaps, that one car can go 10 miles per hour faster than another. And of what particular importance is that?

On the other hand, many ways have been devised to get young drivers started on the right track. Drivers' education is offered in many high schools, while the forthcoming National Road-e-o offers added incentive to learn the skills and rules of safe driving.

Also scattered throughout the country are legitimate hot-rod clubs where boys may learn to appreciate their cars and the responsibilities that go with them.

It doesn't make much sense to lock the barn after the horse has been stolen and even less to slow down and be careful after causing an accident, provided, of course, you're still here to slow down!

## What's Your P. Q.? Take Inventory

Have you taken inventory of yourself lately? Your Personality Quotient counts just as much toward your success in this world as your IQ. With school election time upon us and the end of the school year not far away it's a good time to look at ourselves objectively and house-clean our minds.

Where to begin? We might get rid of any feelings of bitterness, hatred or jealousy in our hearts. Let's scorn pettiness, snobbishness and unfriendliness, as well as tales of gossip about our friends. It's not only cruel to them but it subtracts from our personalities.

If we develop a good disposition and right mental attitude toward life our PQ will be high.

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You can't push yourself forward by patting yourself on the back.

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## Uncle Sam, College Call Males; Girls Enter Nursing, Business

Seniors' future plans include college, nursing, engineering and business ad.

William Sidinger will become a carpenter. Ronald Slutz will take electrical engineering at Cincinnati or Ohio State.

Bill Sommers expects to be a machinist.

Paul Solmen plans to join the Air Force.

Jerry Snowberger and Jim Stauffer have no definite plans.

Larry Stoffer intends to enlist in the Air Force with a college course in business administration later.

Grace Stratton wants to work at Mullins, then go to Cleveland Bible College.

Jo Anne Stumpo will enter St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Youngstown.

Rosemarie Sulea will major in commercial art at Kent State.

Eddy Sullivan wants to work in New Mexico.

Mary Sweeney will continue to be a housewife.

Bob Sklenicka will join the Navy.

Joan Szkola plans to take commercial work at college.

Vera Thorne has intentions of becoming an office secretary.

Wendy Townsend will take a secretarial course at college.

John Todd goes to Case for electrical engineering.

Nancy Tullis will do secretarial work.

Clarence Twaddle hasn't decided.

Shirley Werner intends to enter Salem City Hospital School of Nursing.

Barbara Whitacre also plans a nursing career.



## Potpourri

By Mary Mercer

### Mourning!

A black and brown combo seemed to be in vogue this week at SHS. A little somber perhaps—but it really did something for you, girls—we don't know what—just something. Oh well, we've all gotta go sometime.

### Deaf, But Not Dumb

More than one sympathetic student sighed and said to his neighbor, "Too bad, poor Dave Brantingham has gone stone deaf and has to wear a hearing aid and at his age too." Relax kids. The hearing aid is an ear radio, and when you saw him wearing it, he was probably tuning in Arthur Godfrey and his Friends.

### Beauties And The Trackmen

We can all be proud of our track team that placed fifth in the NEO District A track meet at Reilly Stadium last Friday. The girls that presented trophies looked mighty sweet in their formals.

### Kent Journey

Marcia Kille and Joan Engelmeier journeyed to Kent last Sunday to look over the campus.

### Spring Sunburns

Nancy Cosma and Gabby McQuilkin are sporting a nifty sunburn acquired while soaking up some sunshine in their back yards last weekend.

### Band Antics

Senior bandmen "Lefty" Domencetti, Duane Bates and "Peanuts" Leone took over for "Doc" and each directed the

### Career Corner

## Secretaries Earn Moderate Salaries

By Bobbie Durand

A sense of responsibility, judgment in exercising authority and a willingness to serve are essential characteristics of the successful secretary.

A modern private secretary may be defined as "a technically trained worker whose intelligence and loyalty merit the confidence and trust of the employer for a position of responsibility."

There are many different jobs available as a private secretary. One may work as a business secretary or an official secretary.

It is possible to become a private secretary with only a high school diploma, but it will be found that the secretary who occupies a position of importance is, generally, university trained.

The high school student who has secretarial work in mind should include typing and shorthand in her schedule.

Private secretaries do not receive fabulous salaries. In general the range is from \$30 to \$60 a week, although occasionally it runs higher.

Additional information may be obtained in the library.

Sylvia Wiess expects to work at Mullins. Bob Stockton is off to Fenn for a business course.

Art Tasker will join the Marines and go to Kent afterwards.

Jim Wilson plans to enter the Air Force.

Larry Williams will study Business at Mt. Union.

J. Russell Wilson will continue as a meat cutter at one of the local stores.

Kay Windle is going to work.

Larry Wisler doesn't know yet.

## Seniors Move On; Juniors Move Up

By Lynne Clewell

You've been seniors long enough To taste the pleasures of your term. You are passing from the halls With a steady tread and firm.

Your past will linger with us, Initials carved and splattered ink, Hero worship, freshman crushes, Trousers black and shirts of pink.

You editors and kings and queens Must don your caps and gowns. "Every end is a new beginning." "Life has its ups and downs."

A diploma is not food After you have been graduated. So, let the juniors have their turn, Their self-importance much inflated.

band in one number last week.

"Doc" presented "special awards" to Howard Pardee—one black tie—to Sandy DeJane and Janet Williams—band music. These items were left behind at State contest at OSU.

### Party, Party, Party

Joan Weigand put out the welcome mat to SHS friends after the track meet last Friday night.

### BMO!

Congratulations to all newly elected officers! May your reign be happy and prosperous!

### Laid Low Lefty

Get well soon, Lefty! We all miss you a lot and will be glad to see you at school again.

### Short and Sweet

Have you noticed the chic new hair-do's of two junior gals, Jean Yarian and Bobbi Blount? Their short bobs will certainly come in handy with swimming season on its way.

### Au Revoir

Only two more issues of the Quaker. Since this is my last column, I should like to thank everyone for putting up with Potpourri and I hope you liked it as much as I enjoyed writing it for you.

## Female View of Track Differs From Male; Meet Features Gun Battle, Bewilderment

'Tis spring—when a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of track.

Track is a sport that thrills many males—it befuddles as many females. Through the feminine eye a track meet looks like this:

A large crowd assembles in a large stadium to watch a small number of boys run around in some ridiculous red underwear.

A man fires a gun into the air, and six men start running like crazy, but the man with the gun doesn't even bother to chase them, so they look rather silly.

Everyone starts yelling. There is terrible excitement about the end of the race—the tension reaches a fever pitch—and then everyone stands up so no one sees the finish. The crowd sits down looking bewildered.

Then some under-clad gentlemen start jumping over some goal posts. One of

## Symphonies Shake Soul of Q. Queasy

I, Quincy Q. Queasy, am a lover of music—fine music. Symphonies shake my soul; concertos captivate me. Tchaikowsky uplifts me; Chopin inspires me; Bach enraptures me.

I stand every day in the music store and play the records on which all this magnificent music is held captive. I set it free with a tiny needle, and as it flies heavenward, I too am carried on the wings of song. Ah, the transcendent beauty of Handel, Mozart, Beethoven.

And then suddenly the sinus-like tones of "Let Me Go, Lover" invade my ethereal trance. The teen-age terrorists have landed. They have the store well out of control.

Some babbling boy begins beating the turntable as "Dim, Dim the Lights" blows fuses for an entire block.

A giggling girl revives "Skokiaan," and the whole tribe promptly goes primitive.

Mozart is pushed aside by the mambo, Tchaikowsky plays second fiddle to "Tweedle-Dee-Dee;" Chopin pales at "Shake, Rattle and Roll."

Then, as if by a signal, a general exodus occurs, and the store is swiftly vacated. All that remains of the idiot invasion is a bedraggled, little musician trying to decide between two new clarinet reeds.

I go back to Brahms. A soothing symphony is salve to the soul.

the posts is very high and the men use a long pole to push themselves up. It would be much easier if they would just walk under the posts to get to the other side.

Some men are standing down on the track looking very eager to run. A man scares them with a pistol, and they begin sprinting—but some incompetent official has left some hurdles scattered in their way. The boys are undaunted; they leap over this road blocking equipment and race on. Next time the highway commission might find a better place to store its paraphernalia.

So goes the madness of a track meet. It may thrill the men, but women would rather look at hats than long red underwear.

### Book Nook

## Sturdy Simplicity Marks Midwest Tale

By Bobbie Durand

I. Title: "A Lantern in Her Hand"  
II. Author: Bess Streeter Aldrich  
III. Setting: A small town in eastern Nebraska, from the late 19th century to the present day.

IV. Main Characters: Abbie MacKenzie, a woman of intelligence, refinement, and high ideals who gave up her dreams to move to Nebraska with her husband; Will Deal, Abbie's husband, a hard-working, honest and understanding man who loved Abbie and centered his entire life around her; Mack, John, Grace, Margaret, and Isabell Deal, children of Abbie and Will.

V. Plot: The story is centered around Abbie Deal from her childhood in Iowa until her death in Nebraska. It is the story of the growth of Nebraska from prairie lands to developed cities. Through many hardships and disappointments Abbie raised five good children. When Will died she carried on with the farm work and managed to give her children the things that she had wanted but had not received. When Abbie reached old age she was happy to see that her children and grandchildren had reached the heights that she had dreamed of as a girl.

VI. Benefits of Reading: The reader will gain a greater understanding of the hardship of pioneer life. He will also learn the importance of a mother's love—that love can conquer anything if that love be great enough. Death does not break the bond of love—it only strengthens it.

## ★ This I Believe ★

By Rosemarie Sulea

I am just a small, insignificant person in a world full of countless millions. Of what use am I to the world? Am I the person to discover wonder drugs or answer the riddle of an incurable disease? Will I cure the sick or instruct the youth of tomorrow? Am I to sit at the tables where international peace plans will be proposed?

It is my belief that God has put everyone on Earth for a purpose. Even though I will not do something that will benefit the world, if I can do but a small measure of good, I feel it will be of some importance.

Through my beliefs I can live in such a way that I may fulfill my God-given purpose. If I can pour out love to those around me, if I can be unselfish in my dealings with people, if I can make someone laugh and be gay, if I can help someone in need, I may come closer to accomplishing my task on Earth.

If my enthusiasm and energy can be channeled toward the creation of beautiful things for people to enjoy, I shall know a sense of accomplishment.

Because of my beliefs I will live as if each precious day were to be my last and try to fulfill my purpose on Earth in the manner of a good Christian.

## Introducing...

... Virginia Jones, short dark-haired addition to SHS from Leetonia, Ohio. Virginia says everyone here isn't quite as friendly as in Leetonia High, but she thinks our teachers are nicer and subjects are easier.

She prefers music country style rather than modern day jazz! She is sure to attend every basketball game possible, because her sport interest rates round-balling tops.

Virginia says the only big difference she notes between SHS and LHS is that Leetonia has a custom of having a pep assembly before every football and basketball game.

All in all, Virginia likes Salem, so welcome to SHS, Virginia Jones!

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# Honor Grads, Janet and Wendy, Have Big Dreams for the Future

Barbara Cobourn  
Two Top Ten females, Janet Reeder and Wendy Townsend, stand in the senior spotlight this week. Honor student plus sports enthusiast equals Janet Reeder. A member of the fabled Top Ten, she



Janet Reeder

describes this as one of her great thrills. In the field of sports Janet especially likes basketball and softball. She plays basketball with Republicans and has twice won city batting championship in girls' softball league. In school she serves as president of GAA. Her other activities include German Club and Hi-Tri, along with helping chemistry students in her capacity as a lab aide. Like many other people, this brown-haired lass would like to see a huge new gym in the SHS for the future. She also thinks a track team would be a worthwhile addition. After graduation in June she plans to work in the Trades Extension Office. A whim for the future is to make a million dollars and spend it all foolishly. Miss Average Teen-ager might be the most fitting phrase to briefly describe senior Wendy Townsend.

Her brown-haired personality of

## 'Male' Hamster Has 10 Babies

Somebody goofed! The biology department slipped in its dealing with the hamsters. Two weeks ago one of the hamsters gave up the ghost. According to the budding biologists it was a female of the pair. Last weekend Sue Perrault took the "male" hamster home. By Sunday he was terribly swollen; it looked as though death were near. But this "male" gave birth to little ones Sunday afternoon! The hamsters knew their biology a little better than the biologists.

## Evening Classes Advertise Double Show with Display

Salem originals are on display in the library showcase. Several articles of clothing made by girls Miss Ala Zimmerman and Mrs. Jessie Lewis' sewing classes grace the library showcase this past week. A poster advertising the annual Spring Style Show was also displayed. Susanne Hagedorn's antique license plates are on display this week.

## PICNIC PLANNED

The Formaldeides completed plans for their year-end picnic at their meeting last Monday. After the pool on June 1 the group will travel to Sevakeen Lake for a picnic-dinner and swimming. The club will furnish pop.

## TEEN-AGE GIRLS PLAN OUTING

The Teen-age Girls' Club has planned an outing at Sevakeen Lake this summer. The afternoon of June 15 the girls will have a swimming party and picnic supper, and later in the evening they will hold a square dance.

the week keeps on the go with English IV, chemistry, stenography, U. S. history and government and extra-curricular activities including Hi-Tri, Spanish Club and typing for the QUAKER Weekly and Annual. Wendy ranked ninth among this year's senior Top Ten.

Mariner scout activities occupy her time outside of school, and during the summer Coach John Cabas claims her as a true and loyal synchronized swimmer.

Traveling plays a major role in Wendy's life. Already she has seen parts of western and southern



Wendy Townsend

United States, as well as New England and Canada. Mt. Rushmore in the Black Hills and Lexington, Ky., with its huge pillared houses, left special impressions.

Some day in the future Wendy may be fortunate enough to go on an European jaunt; it's one of the things marked on her "some-time later" agenda.

## Motorists of Tomorrow Learn Today Vital Do's and Don't's of Safety

By Gloria Colananni

On the first floor in the south wing of SHS is a room where the students of Salem High learn how to safely operate that dangerous modern-day weapon—the automo-



Here Ernest Sherman tries to explain some elements of safe driving to the menace of the American highways, a woman. Linda Tame is soaking up his advice diligently.

mobile. The room is 112; the course is driver education.

Driver education is a one-semester course consisting of a class period every day and lab twice a week. In the classroom the students receive the knowledge and background which enable them to become not merely non-pedestrians, but good drivers who recognize their responsibilities.

During the lab period the potential drivers, under the guidance of instructor Ernest Sherman, learn to manipulate the dual-control, driver ed Ford.

Naturally in a course such as this the students sometimes pull a few humorous boners. Running up on a lawn, stalling on State St. or accidentally knocking the back seat out of place by a too-sudden stop—the memory of these incidents may bring a sheepish smile to the lips of several driver ed students.

However these future drivers al-

## Religions Oppose Mixed Marriages

Religion in marriage has been the topic of discussion in the marriage relations course recently. Teacher of the course, Alton Allen, invited some ministers to give the views of the various churches on the subject of mixed marriages.

Father Cunningham of St. Paul's Church here in Salem was the first to address the classes; he presented the views of the Catholic faith.

Next Melvyn Deutsch, an SHS senior, explained the Jewish rules on mixed marriages, and finally Rev. Brantingham, a Friends minister from Winona, expressed Protestant beliefs on this controversial subject.

The united opinion of all three faiths is that a marriage has a greater chance for happiness if both members of the union are of the same religious faith.

## Thespians Elect Sobek President

Officers for next year were elected and plans for the annual picnic were discussed at Thespian meeting last Tuesday.

Joe Sobek will lead next year's Thespians as president; Rita Joseph will serve as vice-president; Gunhild Nyberg will fill the secretary's job; Joanne Lewis will keep the treasurer's books; and Bob Kirchgessner will hold the office of scribe.

The club voted to hold the picnic at a privately owned farm, and next year's officers will be installed there.

Underclass Thespians will hold a meeting next Tuesday to make further arrangements for the picnic, which they traditionally give for the outgoing senior members.

so realize that, though these antics by a beginner may seem comical, such behavior by a licensed driver can be far from humorous.

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## From Erector Set to Tractor - - Brent Thompson's Success Story

From an erector set to a tractor in five years—that's the success story of Brent Thompson, SHS freshman.

In his earlier years Brent gave vent to his mechanical urges with an erector set, but he proved his real prowess with a screwdriver when he recently built himself a workable tractor. But the story goes back to last summer.

He had always wanted a tractor to putter with on the two and one half acres his family owns, and the idea of making his own came when he saw a picture of a home-made tractor in Popular Science magazine.

Brent mowed lawns all summer to earn money to finance his brain child, and then began a tour of the junk yards. He picked up a piece here, a piece there; the only new part he bought was a motor.

With only a \$55 investment, Brent constructed a real, honest-to-goodness tractor. At present he uses it to roll lawns, but he soon



Brent Thompson

hopes to purchase a disc and a pair of cultivators to use in the garden, and he'll lighten the winter shoveling burden by making a snow plow to attach to the tractor. He has built a trailer that he'll hitch up during peach-picking time in the family orchard.

Brent is musical as well as mechanical. He plays the trombone in the SHS band and orchestra and is a member of SHS's German band, "The Hungry Five." He loves outdoor sports—especially hunting and fishing.

As yet Brent isn't sure of his future career, but he knows it will be mechanical.

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# 5 Quakers Entered in State Track Finals

## Salem Takes 5th Place In N.E.O. District Meet

By Bob McArtor  
Salem High School will be represented by five men at the state track finals in Columbus this weekend.

The annual meet will again be staged at the Ohio State University Stadium. In a year or two the meet will be held in the new University Stadium now under construction.

In this year's affair Salem will be represented by its record-breaking 880-yard relay team composed of Herb Haschen, Jim Beard, Lloyd Fitzpatrick and Dale Middeker; Jack Alexander in the high jump and Middeker in the 220-yard dash.

The relay team broke the old school record by over two seconds at last week's District Class A meet held here at Reilly Stadium. Jack Alexander, who has placed in two previous meets, will again be entered in the high jump.

Sprinter Dale Middeker will be running the 220-yard dash for the Quakers. His best time is 23.1 but Coach Karl Zellers hopes he can cut it down running against stiffer

competition at the state capital.

Last year the Barberton Magics won the state title although they entered only one athlete. Glenn "Jeep" Davis will be long remembered for his single handed sweep of the 1954 state meet.

Taking first in every event he entered, he won the 100-yard dash, the 220-yard dash, the 180-yard low hurdles and the broad jump to give Barberton the win.

Davis is now a freshman at Ohio State.

Akron East made a clean sweep of the District meet last Friday, capturing seven first places. Two East runners Herman Shoates and Maurice Jackson were awarded trophies as the meet's outstanding performers. Akron North, Massillon, Warren and Salem followed East in that order.

A total of 41 teams were entered in the annual meet with over 430 athletes participating. Salem Faculty Manager Fred Cope was manager of the meet, which is the largest district affair in the state.

## Salem Takes 5th In Canton Relays

Coach Karl Zellers Quakers captured fifth place in the 2nd annual Canton Two-light Relays held Tuesday night in Fawcett Stadium with 10 teams taking part.

The affair was won by Akron East followed by Massillon, Ashland Canton McKinley and Salem.

The Quakers' lone first was registered by the team of Jack Alexander and Herb Haschen in the high jump. The pair set a new meet record, jumping a total of 11 feet, 6 inches. Jack went over the bar at 6 feet, 2 inches while Herb leaped 5 feet, 4 inches.

Other Salem points were scored by the 880-yard relay team, the medley relay squad, and the 440-yard relay team. The Quakers also picked up points in the broad jump, shot put and pole vault.

A total of four records were broken at the relays, which will be held again next year according to Ed Masonbrink, Canton McKinley principal, who directed the event.

Akron North received the Canton Kiwanis Club trophy as winner of the meet and the first second and third place teams in each race and field event received special awards.

Last year Salem finished second behind the Massillon Tigers.

## Fleischer's Flashes

By Lowell Fleischer

● Fred Cope's hard work showed up again last week in successful Class B and Class A district track and field meets. The Class A affair is the largest in the state and has always been one of the most successful, largely due to Cope and his efficient meet officials—Ray Reasbeck, Dave Williams, H. C. Wagner, Mike Schuller, Ralph Zimmerman and Company.

GOOD LUCK to the Quakers at the state meet this weekend and congratulations to Coach Karl Zellers, Captain Bill Lipp and the squad on their fine season. It was Zellers' first as head SHS track mentor.

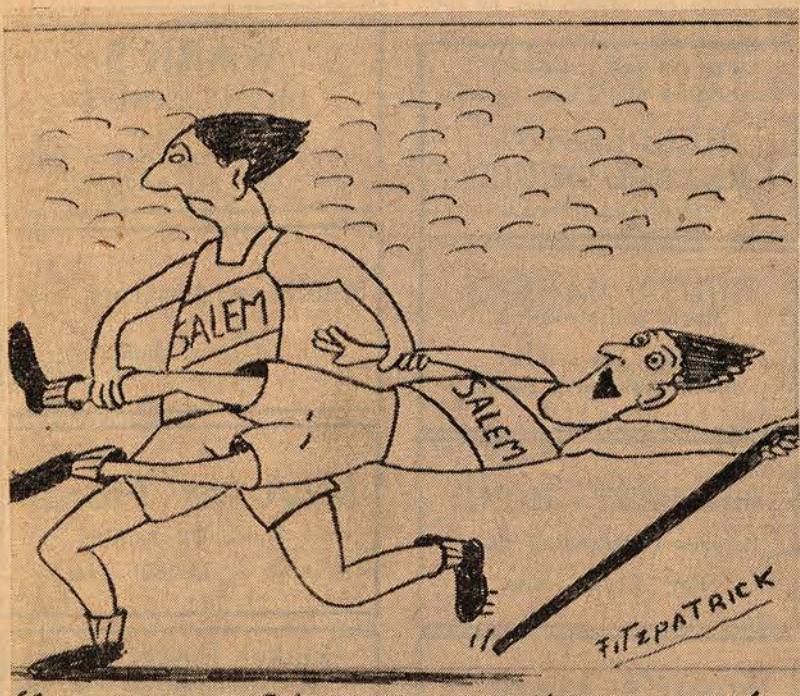
CITY SOFTBALL got underway last Saturday night with play in the Class AA League. Class A and Industrial League action opened last Monday. Softball is set for another big year although interest this season seems to be lacking somewhat.

Walking through Centennial Park the other day we saw several Little League squads working out. John Herman, LL president, says that this will be the biggest season yet. This is the fifth year for LL ball in Salem.

Don Matthews, president of the Park Commission, says that they're looking forward to a big year at the Centennial Park Pool, as is evidenced by the work progressing now. The fences are being moved back to enclose more pool area and tables and chairs and a juke box are to be added later.

We hear Jerry Myers, ace Quaker basketball player, will be taking his talents to Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pa. Football Captain Jim Beard and Chuck Harris are definitely going to Kent State. Dale Middeker will go to either Bowling Green or Cincinnati. He was considered the best college prospect at SHS in the sports department.

● Western Reserve University in Cleveland will be without the services of Salemites Bob Theiss and Bob Coy next season. The pair will be graduated in June. They have both been on the WRU's basketball squad for four years.



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