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Newsense

By DOREEN DENDIEVEL

You have just finished reading my thirteenth column so for goodness sake don't read it again. The following is the history of the week together with the names of the persons who made it.....

EDDY KAELBER'S secret ambition is to have and to hold, from this day forward a set of electric trains. JIMMY O'DAY is very much interested in the whereabouts of PAULA REED after school and she won't talk. ALBERT SHERMAN claims that he is the only boy in the J. H. S. that HAS NOT been teased by a girl. Quite a record. JAY KARPIN tells of a mummy found in Egypt with its legs wrapped around its neck. Which seems to prove that rumble seats aren't something new, after all. KEMP READE seems to have lost out with MARIE MOSHIER. And PAUL WILLIAMS seems to have won in MARILYN BAUM and BOB WALTERS are said to be hitting it off at a lively pace. In making a confession to a supposed friend, ROY SCHAUER admitted that ANNE MOSHIER of 6A has all of his affections. I've heard quite a lot about those letters that BILL WORSTER of the Bronx sends JUNE ANDRE every week. Better watch out that this column doesn't publish one, JUNE. The masculine charms of LIONEL ROGUSIN have attracted JACQUELINE GAUTSCHE so that now she is said to be a hopeless case. The library doesn't mean reading to ROY SMITH but it does mean DOROTHY LUNDE. VICTORIA HANSEN'S bangs were cut by MARGARET GOODWIN because someone made it known that he didn't like them. Whatever it was between JANETH STEWART and BLAIR CORNEY has broken up. BILLY HELFRICH is the curly haired boy, now ELLEN HANCOCK'S name was left out in a secret told to me about JACK LORDI and BARBARA KERBY. You're slipping, Ellen. TONY DELEO is showing a great interest in HELEN BARTKOWSKI. You figure it out. I never was any good in figuring interest problems, anyway. EVERETT WILSON is going to put the janitors at the skating rink out of work if he doesn't stop sweeping the floor. A diary belonging to FLORENCE GREEN has sure gained ALFRED TERRY'S interest. Although JOSEPH TASSONI has broken his thumb in two places, it doesn't keep him from making paper-dolls for VIRGINIA COSTELLO. For certain reasons TOMMY McGRANE is said to be getting a JACK BENNY streak in him. Apologies to JACK BENNY. DORA WATSON and ARNOLD JONES are O.K. together. In more ways than one. The picture of DEANNA DURBIN is lovingly carried around by DONALD COLLINS. Going in for big things. Aren't you, DONALD? NATALIE PORTER says that she doesn't go above her age. Ask her what she means. STEPHANIE KUREJWO and BUELL KINGSLEY certainly get together when they have to share a Civics book. And that's about all. You have just commenced to read my thirteenth column. To read it over again would be well worth your while even if I'm the only one that thinks so. Oh well! Such is life.....

"When I was a king and a mason—a master proven and skilled—I cleared me ground for a palace such as a king should build. I decreed and dug down to my levels. Presently, under the silt, I came on the wreck of a palace such as a king had built."

Epidemic of Colds Sweeps Junior High

By Ruth Scholl

Almost 95% of the absences in Junior High School are caused by colds. You must not only be on your guard to prevent these colds in school, but at home as well.

A very impolite way to spread a cold in your classroom is to sneeze without covering your nose and mouth with a handkerchief.

One sure way of catching cold is by sitting in a draft. Fresh air will never hurt you, but drafts are dangerous. A draft will weaken body resistance so that the germs in the throat get the upper hand, and before you realize it you have a cold in the head and possibly a sore throat. In school don't hesitate to tell your teacher if you are in a draft. He or she will gladly let you change your seat.

At home cold germs can be carried by kissing. You receive the germs by direct contact in this way.

When walking in the rain or snow be sure and keep your feet dry by wearing rubbers or galoshes. Many colds are caused by pupils sitting in school all day with wet, cold feet.

For the remainder of the winter why not try to cut down the absences caused by colds.

Girls' Basketball Season Just Begun

Since the basketball season has started the girls out for this sport are now trying to learn the techniques of the game. Basketball practice is on Monday's and Wednesday's from 3:04 to 5:00. There is still time to sign up for the game. After the instruction period of each practice the girls are divided into teams and play short games. Until further arrangements the 7A's, 7B's and the 8A's will come out on Monday and the 8B's, 9A's and the 9B's will play on Wednesday. The large number of girls wanting to participate in this sport make this division of grades necessary.

All first round matches of ping-pong were to have been played by December, 1937. If your match has not been played yet it should be played immediately. All second matches should be well under way.

Council Discusses School Dance Club

At the Council meeting held last week, the subject of starting a dance club in our school was brought up. It will be for the benefit of the boys and girls who do not already take dancing lessons.

Another topic discussed was the maltreatment of the books in our library. Miss Godfrey wishes to make an appeal to the boys and girls of our school to take care of our books.

It was also suggested at the Council meeting that the traffic officers take better care of the halls on the first floor. Safety programs were also mentioned and approved.

Brief Biographies

By Claude Kougoulsky

A hungry native of our noble metropolis, Richard Renson, who was almost president, has been chosen for this week's subject.

His appetite must be tremendous, for he tells that, as a one year old, he devoured some talcum powder. The stuff got in his lungs and caused his family to think that he had caught pneumonia. X-rays showed, however, the truth, and he was placed in an oxygen tent, which was undoubtedly the cause of his fortunate recovery.

Rickey admits a liking for tennis and professes to be an amateur photographer. He was born on July 29, 1923 and would like to be an engineer when he grows up.

Room 307 Highest In Banking Percentages

Once again Miss Mandigo's homeroom heads the list of banking percentages with a percentage of 93.1. Mr. Hulbert's homeroom follows second with 75% and Miss Palmer's class, for the first time, takes third place. Their percentage was 51.8. Room 212 banked \$29.05 which is, so far, the largest amount of money banked by an individual class. The three homerooms having the lowest percentage in banking are, Rooms 304, 308 and 210. Their percentages were 41%, 7.1% and 12.1% respectively. \$140.80 was the total amount banked by the school last banking period.

Use of Library Fines Revealed

Many times students have wondered how the money accumulated by library fines is used. Now we have the answer. This money is used in mending and binding the books you use. If you damage a book so that it is beyond repair, the money you pay to the library for that book is used to replace a similar copy. Sometimes fine money is used for minor decorations in the library. So when you look at the bound volumes on the shelf and then at the artistic decorations in the library you will know how your money is used.

When you have an overdue book please bring it to the library and have the person in charge at the desk take care of your fine. Miss Godfree asks that everyone clear up the fines which they have now. Please comply with these requests.

Some of the outstanding new books available in the library now are "Pecos Bill," a story of an eccentric rancher by James Bowman; "Private Props," a story of a newspaper, cleverly written by Gertrude Mallett, author of "For Keeps" which may now be found in the library, and "Homespun" by Eric Best, whose books every girl will enjoy. Among the ones in the library now are "Sunhelmet Sue," "Strings to Adventure," and many others.

The Attendance For December Decreased

The attendance for the month of December decreased considerably in comparison to the preceding month.

The number of illegal absentees were forty-five against last month's thirty and the number of pupils absent for half days were one hundred and fourteen against last month's seventy-eight.

These figures show that this record needs to be improved and a better record, with as few illegal absences as possible, should be made.

ETIQUETTE

By Dale Ely

Good mannered students are on time

Offending not by lagging;
Obliging teachers, being kind,
Deserving not a nagging.

Many walk four a-breast
Arm in arm while talking
Never letting people past
Needlessly loud while walking.

Ever hear girl thank boy,
Reward for patiently waiting
Silent, as she drains the "reservoir"
At the fountain drinking?

Remember how the class titters,
Even at some one's mistake?
Very likely he gets the jitters
And Boys and Girls, that's all it takes!

Leave gossiping to some one else
Upon all occasions
And boast not of thine own self
But stick to your equasions.

Lack of manners will block your way
Every time good manners pay.

Fordham Hands Pitt Team Its Fourth Defeat; Junior High Team Beats Sophs

Army Beats Southern California in Other League Game, 21-7 And Columbia Defeats Minnesota

Alexander Morrison's Fordham team handed Charles Hewitt's Pitt team its fourth straight defeat when they beat them by the score of 30-2. The two captains were the outstanding players on each side but as the score indicates, Pitt was clearly outclassed.

Each team played with only one alternate, Hamilton being the Fordham choice and Dellavecchia playing for Pitt. The lineup follows:

Fordham	Pos.	Pitt
Morrison	RF	Malevitch
Contino	LF	Carpenter
Imperial	C	Karpin
Massucci	RG	Finlay
Levy	LG	Hewitt

On January 7, the Sophomores from Senior High trekked down to our school to become the victims of a double defeat at the hands of our first and second teams. In the first game, the Junior High second team defeated the Sophomore second team 19-10 in a hard fought game. Ray Elliott was the high scorer for the Junior High. The players and positions appear below:

Junior High	Pos.	Sophs.
Dendievel	RF	Stanley
Barrett	LF	Cipriano
Elliott	C	Poole
McKenna	RG	Henderson
Golden	LG	Prudenti

The alternates for the Junior High were Hooper, Murray, Walter, McGrane and Hewitt. For the Sophomores, Como was the only alternate.

In the second game the Junior High first team completed the rout with a 25-24 victory over the Soph's first team. The score was an indication of the type of game played. The outcome was in doubt even during the last few minutes. Vincent Natale was the high scorer for the Junior High team. The lineups for the teams are below:

Junior High	Pos.	Sophs.
Fasano	RF	Murray
Morrison	LF	Internesole
Natale	C	Hooper
Caputo	RG	McKenna
Natale	LG	Dellavecchia

The alternates for the Junior High were Poole, and De Meo and Goldscher.

In other league games Vincent Natale's Army team defeated Vic DeMeo's Southern California team by the score of 21-7. Joe Biro was high scorer for Southern California and Natale for his team. The Columbia team, captained by Nick Fasano, won its fourth straight game when it defeated Joe Tassoni's Minnesota team by the score of 18-11. Trinchitella and Fasano were the high scorers for their respective teams.

THE Inquiring Reporter

Question: What is your favorite phrase?

Jimmy O'Day babbled belligerently: "Silence is golden."

Barbara Kerby syllabified: "I'm happy about the whole thing."

Helena Adams concisely countered: "Oh, gosh!"

Homer Allington vicariously volunteered: "Freak."

Paula Read garrulously gurgled: "Goo!"

Traffic Officers Are To Report Noisy People

At a meeting of the Traffic Squad last Wednesday traffic officers were given strict orders to report any person whose conduct is boisterous. The reason for these orders is that people in the halls are being too noisy. Three new officers are needed on the Traffic Squad but because of Captain Vic DeMeo's absence at the meeting they were not chosen.

Tuberculosis Germ Activity Exposed

Tuberculosis is caused by living germs. Outside the body, these germs can do no harm. Inside the body, where it is warm, moist, and dark, the germ can live and multiply and cause disease.

A knowledge of the nature of the disease is necessary to aid in its prevention.

When living tuberculosis germs first gain entrance to the body, the body does its best to destroy them before they can find a lodging place. If the body is unable to do this, due to poor nutrition, fatigue, dust, poverty, etc., the germs lodge usually in the lung, but sometimes in the bones, glands, and organs. Tiny body cells then move to the place where the germs have gained a foothold. They start at once to build a shell around the germs. This shell with its contents is called a tubercle. The germs in this little jail can do no harm except to destroy the body tissue enclosed with them. When calcium (lime) takes the place of the destroyed tissue and the little shell becomes hard and stony, the body has won the victory, at least for a time.

If tuberculosis germs enter a body which has lost its fighting power through lack of proper food and rest, or if the germs multiply too rapidly, the body cells may not be able to hem in the germs fast enough. It is then that the body begins to show signs of tuberculosis.

Rainy Day Rules For Junior High

On rainy days the people who eat lunch at home should not enter the building upon returning to school at noon until 12:55. These students should not plan to get here before that time. The pupils who eat lunch in the cafeteria on clear days should go outside when they have finished their lunch. On rainy days the pupils may go to study hall in 205, to the library or to the assembly to listen to the radio.

Those who go to the study hall should have books and other necessities for study.

Dollar, Dollar, Who Has Got A Dollar

By GEORGE LEVINE

In case you are lucky enough to be the proud possessor of the sum of money mentioned above I am prepared to give you a little advice on how to invest it. Not in the stock market or a slot machine should you squander your money, but on something infinitely more valuable than that. Now here is the whole thing in a nutshell.

Messrs. Danny Brimm and Frere Raymond have organized a pet business. Not an ordinary pet shop, mind you, but a shop in which you can obtain anything from a louse to a lion for a purely nominal fee. Among the galaxy of animal life are skunks, mice, ducks, ferrets, and weasels. I would suggest the formation of an animal club as the benefits afforded for animal study by this shop should not be passed up.

Take advantage of the after-Christmas prices and enquire today. Danny Brimm is in room 209 and Frere Raymond is in room 222.