

JOIN THE FOOTBALL CHEERING SECTION NOW!

Do you know that most of the big high schools in the state have cheering sections consisting of practically every student who attends their games? That is what Stamford High School needs, and what is more she's going to have it!

The Girl's Cheering Squad has done a swell job so far this season, but they need assistance now. Come on fellows! We need your voices.

Any body with plenty of school spirit and lung power can join.

Several of the football players have remarked that they feel much more like winning if there is a big crowd backing them, but when a mere handful attend the games they lose some of their fighting spirit. So you see you are as necessary in winning the game as the players themselves.

Pep meetings will be held on Thursday or Friday afternoons before the coming games and those with season tickets can attend.

S.H.S. will need a strong section to make any noise in the large stadium next year, and *there is no time like the present* to start building it.

MISS KANE'S PLAYERS TO PRESENT "THE CLOD"

The first sophomore play of the year, will be "The Clod", a melodrama, by Lewis Beach. It will be presented at the regular assemblies November 24 and 25, under the supervision of Miss Barbara Kane.

The cast is as follows:
Mary Trash—Mary Dyer
Southern Sergeant—Allen Rubin
Northerner—James Patrick
Mr. Trash—Sol Epstein
Southern Private — Dominick Cingar.

MR. STAPLES' IDEA OF "THE ABUNDANT LIFE"

At the request of the SIREN Mr. Staples has issued the following message to Stamford High School Pupils:

We have just passed through a period of national crisis and for several months have engaged in a presidential campaign. The national emotions have been aroused as never before and you as high school students have participated to the full. The question arises, "Is 'feeling' the highest motivating force we can employ in making social and political adjustments?"

What this old world needs most of all is understanding and a spirit of mutual cooperation. The main purpose in establishing high schools was to provide a better trained citizenry so that our republic might become stable and not subject to every wind that blows. So my message to you as a reader of the SIREN is to be sure you gather a full and rich understanding of American life while you are in high school.

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19 JUNIORS ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY FOR OFFICE

The following people of the Junior Class have announced their candidacies for office. Final elections will be held later in November.

President—Shirley Davis, James Downey, Rose Wasserman, Irving Lebow.

Vice Presidents—John Burns, William Gordon, Lois Hughes, Mary Kochansky, Ruth Lucas, Rose Vodola.

Secretary—Betty Kozma, Dorothy McHugh, Ruth Shultz, Mildred Wolfe.

Treasurer—Dorothy Anthony, Seymour Cohn, William Grady, Elizabeth Polunbsa, Ruth Simpson.

MURALS IN AUDITORIUM ARE NEAR COMPLETION

The completion of the murals in the auditorium of the Stamford High School, by Hendrie Karl and Florence Flemming, is one more feature to be added to the 1936 achievements of this school.

The panels depict the growth of civilization from the beginning of earth to the present day. The main idea is brought out in the two large panels on the left and right of the stage. On the right is pictured the obvious burdens of man and how he is aided by fire, water, and electricity. The left panel, the woman, represents the gradual growth of cultural development.

Again, on the right side of the hall including the balcony, the mechanical growth of man is brought out, beginning with the caveman, the pioneer, and working up to the present day. This includes the discovery of steam and electricity, and the beginning of agriculture, chemistry, and manufacturing.

On the left, the cultural development of man is depicted. This brings out the early, Egyptian Roman, Greek, Indian, Chinese, and Italian art, working up to the Renaissance period and then, the skyscrapers of today.

The animal panels picture the amoeba, fish, mammals, and birds, leading up to the gorilla.

A very interesting Indian story of the Creation is written in the pictograms. A hymn to the Great God Ra, is in the story of the Egyptian signs.

Lastly, many inspiring proverbs are in Chinese. Chief among them is one, which should be of interest to you wayward students. "If the fields are left untilled, the graineries will be empty; if your books are left unopened, your descendants will be ignorant."

FOOTBALL RALLY TONIGHT

There will be a High School Football Rally tonight at 9.00 o'clock at the Palace Theater prior to the game Saturday with Warren Harding at Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Our own Mr. Morris will act as Master of Ceremonies and introduce the High School players. The band, under the direction of Mr. O'Shaughnessy, will play and the Cheering Squad will go through it's paces. Well-known persons will speak about football and Stamford High's place in the High School Football World. This rally will be a regular annual event through the courtesy of Mr. Rich, manager of the Palace Theater.

BOOK WEEK TO BE CELEBRATED IN ENGLISH CLASSES

The week of November 15-21 is Book Week and has already been planned for by many librarians and English teachers. A committee consisting of Miss Krause, Miss Leonard, and Miss Gedney have arranged programs for some S.H.S. English classes.

There will be competition among these classes for honors, best exhibits, most originality, etc., and also there will be a prize essay contest.

Have you a good edition of a book you have outgrown, or one that you have read and appreciated that you would like to give to the Library? Gifts from either classes or individuals would be appreciated. Teachers are also eligible!

"Old friends are especially welcome" and so, if you find a lost library book lying about at home or elsewhere, bring it back.

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IMPROVE OUR BUILDING I

S.H.S. is a very impressive looking building—from the outside. People passing by will comment on its beautiful lines and imposing surroundings. But let those people walk in the building and up stairs to the upper floors and what do they see? Cracked ceilings and walls, smudgy fingerprints on the wall, lipstick smeared on the walls of the girls' rooms, and any number of small defects. Defects which are small but very noticeable to a critical eye.

Why can't our building be given a fresh start from the inside? Part of the halls down-stairs were painted, why not the rest?

Surely, the town board of finance is not so poverty-stricken that they cannot supply paint and plaster for the one and only high school in Stamford!

Something should be done about this disgraceful condition before it is too late—but meanwhile pupils should be more careful about the way they treat their school.

DESKS ARE NOT WASTE BASKETS

Many pupils have the tendency to use their class room desks as a depository for their scraps. This practice is due mainly to indolence. It is not very pleasant for the home room pupil to open his desk and find it littered with scraps that were deposited there by some thoughtless pupil. It

never occurs to these offenders that the waste paper can is the proper receptacle for their rubbish.

If you are one of the guilty ones who cause all this unnecessary work for the rightful owner of the desk, try to be more mindful of other people's property.

S. H. S. THREE YEARS AGO

With George Goldberg as editor, The SIREN came out with these headlines three years ago:

"Stamford High to Meet Warren Harding in Decisive Game at Cummings Park." This game was to decide the state championship. Stamford had been undefeated, but tied by New Britain. Warren Harding had one defeat

also at the hands of New Britain.

"S. H. S. Band Marches in Hallowe'en Parade". Led by Mr. O'Shaughnessy, seventeen members of the S. H. S. Band played in the Hallowe'en parade on Oct. 31st.

"Senior Class Rings and Pins Soon to be on Sale." Senior Class advisers, Mrs. Bohn and Mr. Farrell, announced that the sale would go on just as soon as the officers were elected.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Many students think that the paintings being put on the walls of the assembly hall are quite attractive and add to the appearance of it. On the other hand, there are students who are silently objecting to the hideous designs being put all over our once clean, conservative walls.

The plain walls helped make the hall larger and a place where one could sit and enjoy assembly programs. The designs now tend to give the assembly hall a smaller look, and one cannot help noticing fish and the like-wise, littering up the walls.

The small auditorium is one place of discomfort without having our big hall made into one.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Durham.

REPLY TO LETTER

If you do not have a knowledge of the meaning of the murals, you may be justified in considering them a blotch and a "hideous design". They depict the story of mankind from the beginning of civilization to the present day. The animals are shown in all forms, from the amoeba to the mammal.

The paintings were put there for the benefit of the present and future student bodies of S. H. S., and we should feel proud that our assembly walls contain such fine examples of modern art.

Margaret Donohue.

Ed. Note—

The editors of the SIREN asked Margaret Donohue who had interviewed the artists and whose article appears on the front page, to answer this letter.

HOME ROOM NEWS

The following officers have been elected in Room 122:

President—Bob Cavanaugh
Vice Pres.—Thomas Skidd
Secretary—Christine Conron
Treasurer—Janet Bowne
Program Committee — Jack Semple, Blanche Bogdon, Marie Finch, August Peters, and Alan Murray.

Home-room Representative — Katherine Farenga.

TEACHERS IN GENERAL

Miss Barbara Kane, who is a native of Stamford, and a new teacher at the high school, is at present working for her Master's Degree at Columbia University. As well as being greatly interested in her teaching, Miss Kane is intensely interested in dramatics. She has toured with a troupe of players and played the lead in Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" at New Rochelle College. Miss Kane was a cadet teacher at Burdick Junior High School last year and looks forward to a pleasant time in S.H.S. Her favorite forms of diversion are golf, tennis, and swimming.

Mr. Hawes is the new addition to the commercial department and, to all who are interested, he is still single. Mr. Hawes is a native of Boston, Mass., and has two degrees: Bachelor, and Master of Business Administration which he secured at Boston University. He worked as an accountant for a branch of General Motors Co. for two year, and has had four years of teaching experience. Mr. Hawes is looking forward to a pleasant time teaching in S.H.S. and we hope he remains with us for a long time to come.

MR. STAPLES' IDEA OF "THE ABUNDANT LIFE"

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Learn to temper your emotions with understanding, hold your judgments in abeyance, and act only after mature deliberation.

We are undoubtedly entering a new era of the world's progress. As always those who are fortunately placed at the beginning of things will find abundant personal opportunity provided they are mentally and morally equipped. The High School provides the initial starting point for all. If you are willing to work hard, to use all your powers of concentration, imagination and intelligence, the future will be yours. Above all, you must have a growing understanding of the American life and culture which is the environmental medium in which we work, think and have our being. If you live a rich life in high school, you will have an abundant life in the world of work.

—Leon C. Staples

Superintendent of Schools

CHATTER

Gossip, gossip, everywhere; Chatter here and chatter there; But when time comes for it to be writ

I can't think of a single bit.

And that my fine feathered friends is the reason we've installed a Snoop Box. The returns haven't been too good because we don't want to use initials and that's about all we've been getting . . . So-o-o-o! It seems that there is a bodacious soph, around the halls introducing himself as Honorable Cecil Kenneth Walker, Esq., the Second—With that name he should be a senior. Two sophs that are hitting it off pretty well are Louise Martin and Leon Bier. Mr. Hughes was telling his class about the beautiful Maine flowers. After much verbocity on the subject, he exclaimed, "And I'm no maniac." One of our seniors is bucking his way into things—John Block was seen riding a bucking horse down at the New York Rodeo in Madison Square Garden. Every one seems interested in the Edward Flemming—Marianne Bottomly romance. Barbara Johnson (who said she was a wolf in sheep's clothing???) seems to be the bane of its existence. And people say Jimmy Greany is the bane of Grace Trefery's existence—or is he??? The red shadings in Fran-

ces Altschuler's face grew definitely crimson when she asked for a democratic platform in the republican headquarters. Just why Lillian Lowe isn't content with Joe Glauberman is beyond us—or maybe its just the atmosphere she enjoys in 202. To you gals that want something in the chatter column—our advice is "Baby take a Beau." Edna Belasco keeps her eyes on license plate S. J. 713—not Michelson's is it? And we want to know just who that little sandy haired usher is at the Strand theatre? He looks slicker than a school teacher's elbow. Dot McHugh ought to put a stop to "Senator R. Greeney's" night life. (Five o'clock in the morning!). Bod Ashcroft has his eye on Lois Hughes—once again sophs. score. Jack Stankard it seems nearly landed in a real show over at Port Jervis—the football team carries its own amusement—Three S.H.S. cheer leaders were seen hitch-hiking up to the Peckskill Game—they got a ride, too—it's no wonder. And you sophs who are suffering thru geometry don't let anyone fool you—a polygon is a dead bird. No more now except good luck to Helen O'Grady—may her following Ray Hartwell yield success and NUTS to Mantell—no wonder he just got glasses of late—it's hard to read over someone's shoulder

RIDING CLUB GETS UNDER WAY

The Stamford High School Riding Club, under the leadership of Mr. Maxwell, has three organized groups of seven members each which ride on different days at the Colonial stables. The fee is one dollar which includes two way transportation and instruction.

The membership is limited to twenty-five until further notice. A meeting for election of officers will be held in November. Until that time Alice Donlinger will act as president. To be considered a member at the time of election a person must have ridden regularly prior to that time. Trooper emblems will be awarded to all who ride regularly during the fall season.

SPANISH CLUB PLANS TWO ENTERTAINMENTS

The Spanish Club is formulating plans for two entertainments, "La Uavidad", to be celebrated the sixth of January, and a tentative program is being arranged for the spring.

The club meets the first Wednesday of every month. Club officials will be elected.

GLEE CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The following officers have been elected by the members of the Senior Girl's Glee Club for 1936-37:

- President—Janet Bowne
- Vice-President—Helen Zavras
- Secretary—Catherine Farenga
- Treasurer—Betty Jordan
- Librarian—Christine Conron

ODDS AND ENDS

By Margaret Donahue and Helen Nevas

Well, we're back again to take up your valuable (?) time.

Did you know that this school has its own flag? Well, it has! When you go into the large assembly hall, notice it (if it is up along with the American flag.)

This is for those who can't keep themselves away from Hatch's. Do you know that you eat approximately forty gallons of ice cream daily? Maybe you don't now, but you used to during the summer.

Here's something for those "dieting gals". Maybe you don't, but your friends might, eat about 100 lbs. of potatoes from our cafeteria daily, along with six lbs. of butter, 100 qts. of milk, five qts. of cream, 250 frankfurters and twenty-five loaves of bread.

Those weird sounds heard in the hall outside room 152 is just the A Capella choir, practicing for their big moment in front of the Rotary Club on November 12th.

Aside to the Sophs: Those blue and white decorations in the cafeteria are *not* for your benefit.

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The Sport Whirl

S. H. S. SOCCER TEAM STARTS SCHEDULE

The S.H.S. soccer team, under the able leadership of Mr. Booker, is rounding into shape. The team has had a few practice games and has played its first interscholastic game with Peekskill.

Other games are: Nov. 6, Stamford at Peekskill, and Nov. 14, Central at Stamford.

Some promising players are Captain Fucla, Deviro, Tatum, Louis, Semple, Hartwell, and Goldy. A large number of other players have improved daily.

SOPHOMORE HOCKEY FOR GIRLS ORGANIZED

The sophomore girls have organized a team to play hockey after school. The team has elected Anna Gault as captain and Cesarina Pagliaro as the manager. The girls hope to play on the Burdick field and are going to invite many other school teams to play.

BADMINTON CLUB PLANNED

A girls' Badminton Club is being organized in the gym, the members of which will practice and hold tournaments after school. The tournaments will be held among themselves or among pupils and teachers.

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S. H. S. 27—COMMERCIAL 0

Led by Buddy O'Meara, Stamford High School defeated Commercial High of New Haven by an overwhelming margin of 27-0. The 'midget mite' scored three touchdowns and generally ran wild all day long. Captain Rassas was a tower of strength on defense. The Stamford boys gained their scores on the ground and seldom did they take to the air.

Jerry Buchetto ran through the Commercial secondary for a touchdown. He threaded through the backs like an eel . . .

Bob Cavanaugh tore off a beautiful gain of forty yards running back a kick-off . . .

Pat O'Connell took Al Ferrente's place at full-back and nipped and tore the opposing line to shreds for long gains. He was like a runaway locomotive when he hit the line . . .

S. H. S. 18, LA SALLE M. A. 6

Filling the air with passes, S.H.S. razzle dazzled La Salle Military Academy 18-6. The game was marked by vicious tackling and savage blocking, and featured the almost berserk playing of Buddy O'Meara and Pat O'Connell. Buddy dodged and squirmed all day for long gains and backed up the line with savage tackles. Pat was a cannon ball on line plunges and his tackling made our teeth rattle. Fuda accounted for the second touchdown on a forward pass. La Salle scored its lone touchdown in the third quarter on a line plunge. . . Morrelli ran the opening kickoff back 50 yards. . . Stamford was airminded, and how! They threw 23 forwards completing only 8, but these eight really counted.

. . . The backfield had the "Irish Three," featuring Bob Cavanaugh, Pat O'Connell, and Buddy O'Meara. These "fightin' Irish" went to town in a big way.

. . . Barnett, Robotti, and Guasco played in the La Salle backfield all afternoon.

IN THE LIMELIGHT


Name—Bob Cavanaugh
Noted for—Good looks
Usually Seen—Smiling
Pet Aversion—Studying
Hobby—Parliamentary procedure (oh yeah?)
Ambition—to stay at S.H.S. 5 years

Name—Edithe Brigham
Noted for—Baby talk
Usually Seen—Cruising the Corridors
Pet Aversion—German
Hobby—Drawing
Ambition—To be a commercial artist

Name—Myron Mantell
Noted for—Nothing
Usually Seen—Objecting to something
Pet Aversion—The SIREN
Hobby—Annoying teachers
Ambition—To have *everything* completely changed

Name—Dot McHugh
Noted for—Pep
Usually Seen—Talking
Pet Aversion—People who say "I don't know"
Hobby—Bob Greeney
Ambition—To be a costume designer

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