

THE SCHOOL BLAH

A Satire on High School Publications

Deserving girl picked for vital position

Suzy Schlock was last month elected 4th vice-president of the Girls' Meet, Eat, and Go Home club.

"I've never been so thrilled in my life!" said Suzy. She credits her election to good manners, and brushing after every meal.

Asked what she plans to do in her new capacity, Suzy replied, "I will try hard to make this club one of the most active at Blah High School."

Suzy's other activities include assistant paper clip monitor for

art of paper clipping class, and 6th chair clarinet for the Future Heart Surgeons of America Orchestra.

"I could have made 5th chair," Suzy vows, "but I could never quite get my fingers to cover the right holes."

Suzy is also a reporter for the *Blah*.

Suzy is concerned about the untidy state of the school cafeteria. She believes that most of the untidiness is caused by untidy people, or as she puts it, "if everyone could just be clean and

neat, we wouldn't have half the untidiness we have today. And the world would be a better place to live and raise children."

Her favorite color is blue. Her favorite foods are liver and fried onions. Her most unforgettable experience was "running over my instructor during a driver training session."

Suzy commented about student activists, "I've always believed that students should get involved, but when they start questioning administration policies, I think that's going a bit too far. I may be a lot of things, but one thing I definitely am not is active."

We congratulate Suzy on her success. We know that she will serve well in the fine tradition of the Girls' Meet, Eat, and Go Home club.



Suzy Schlock smiles

Hero of the Month

Saves school from blaze

Our hero of the month is Tom Towhead, who may have saved the lives of countless students by putting out a huge fire in a 4th floor wastebasket.

"Well, I saw what I had to do and I did it," was Tom's comment on the wastebasket incident.

Tom discovered the fire at 12:05 p.m. while skipping ought of his 4th hour class. The fire is believed to have begun just 5 minutes after Tom threw a lighted cigarette into the wastebasket.

"I didn't think it would start a fire," Tom maintains. "I mean, what's a lighted cigarette and a couple of kerosene-soaked rags gonna' do?"

But when the flames began and he feared the blaze might spread, Tom, acting in the interests of all the students of Blah High School, went into action.

He grabbed his English teacher's mink coat and quickly extinguished the blaze. It did take several minutes for Tom to get the coat away from his English teacher.

Tom was presented with a medal for meritorious school service by the Douglas Department store, who has recently sold Miss Fairbanks, English 12, a new \$2000,00 mink coat.

Congratulations Tom, wherever you are.

News briefs

Four hundred and eighty five pounds of hamburger was served in the school cafeteria last week. Mrs. Wilma Thinbone, a cook, commented that this week's consumption was even larger than last week's. This newspaper pledges to keep you informed of these and other important news happenings.

The Girls' Meet, Eat, and Go Home club held a meeting last month.

The Student Council has passed a resolution calling for authority to overrule any decision made by the administration. The administration has vetoed the resolution.

Seven new dusting cloths were ordered by the librarian last week. She says she plans to use them to dust the shelves.

Students in French class are spending their time learning a foreign language.

EDITORIALS

School spirit

We of the BLAH are always concerned over the decline of school spirit at this high school.

We have noticed that despite the spectacular season our Bombers have played this year, many students do not care enough to attend the games. Others cheer, but bluff through the school song. Others sing the school song, but do not wear their Bomber buttons. Others wear their Bomber buttons, but sit next to those who do not wear their Bomber buttons, or bluff through the school song, or do not cheer.

In short, school spirit is in a sick state of affairs here, and no one is entirely immune to the dreaded disease.

Why has school spirit faded like a flag bleached in the sun? We do not have all the answers. School policies have not changed, and remain steadfast. Yet school spirit crumbles like plaster from the ceiling.

We are determined to do our part. We hope that, having written this editorial, students will realize where they have gone astray, and will show more enthusiasm for our school.

It is time for students to raise their voices and let everyone know how they really feel about this school

Support BLAH

We have recently been informed of the fact that some students are not reading the school BLAH. If you are one of these students, then this editorial is meant for you.

We could remind you of how hard we work to give you this unusually fine school paper every two months (or whenever the spirit of divine inspiration strikes us). But we won't.

If you don't want to be informed of all the important things happening around here, it's no skin off our noses-for-news.

To avoid being repetitive, let us repeat just once more that the BLAH is the voice of the students of this high school, printing all the news that we assume you will like, within certain administration policies.

If you don't read the BLAH, we can only assume that you are illiterate, or that you lack school spirit. We know that you have school spirit (that was our last editorial). Of course, if you are illiterate, you probably wouldn't be impressed by our editorials, anyway.

To students who ask why read the BLAH, we ask, "Why not read the BLAH?" To students who ask again, we answer proudly, "Because it is there."

Bombers blast again

On November 27, six weeks ago today, the Knoxville Knights sneaked past our Bombers by a score of 82-0.

"The other team might have had the edge on the scoreboard, but our guys fought them every step of the way. We never believed that a victory was impossible," said Bomber Coach Crash Clubfoot when interviewed by this sports reporter.

Star hoopster Billy Bonehead led the Bombers aggressive attack. In the middle of the second half he skated down the court with a pass to Nelson, a pass back to Bonehead, a pass from Bonehead to Stinglefinger, and another pass back to Bonehead. The ball was finally thrown out of bounds by Bonehead, but this was not the last of the Bombers scoring attempts.

The tricky hand of fate took victory from the Bombers grasp as several unexpected accidents plagued the otherwise good effort. Dick Stinglefinger strained one of his fingers during an argument with a referee, and "Knocker" Nelson sustained a knee injury

after tripping over his shoelaces.

But the Bombers came back strong later that period, rallying behind Billy Bonehead's two fine baskets. Unfortunately, neither of them could be counted due to a technicality, since they were both through the other team's net.

Asked about Bonehead's scoring techniques, Coach Clubfoot said, "It's not whether you win or lose. It's how you play the game."

"I've never worked with a finer bunch of boys," the Coach said. "Of course we're a young team, and this is a building year. But I think our guys can shoot with any team in the conference if they make their minds up. We're looking to the next one. Of course, we need the support of the fans..."

Get out there and SUPPORT OUR BOMBERS! Their next game promises to be a big one.

Got the Gossip

by Martha Malice

Now that the big game is over, people are talking about the many scores made by a certain star athlete. We know of one cheerleader who was really close to the action...

Congratulations are in order to D.B. on his making the honor roll. It just proves that no matter how stupid you are, with a little hard work and a little cheating, you can attain honor...

Isn't it about time the administration tightened up on the no smoking rules? Don't you think so, Frank?

Somebody better tell S,J,K that the D,D,S, his girl has been seeing is not a dentist...

D.C.--When are you going to tell us about your habit?

Martha's Malice:

When will the crippled kid get his wheelchair oiled?

Who is making time with A.M. in the school parking lot?

What columnist was threatened with 11 libel suits last month?

BLAH publishes last issue; Useless gives comments

This will be the last issue of the school BLAH (sob).

"Somehow, we sensed that the kids just didn't care about what we had to say," said Mr. James Useless, (former) BLAH advisor.

He was asked by this reporter what the BLAH's biggest problem was.

"I think our biggest problem was with the custodians, who kept complaining about all the papers tossed on the floor. If we published 13,000 copies, invariably the custodians would return 12,999 to my office.

"We always saved one copy for posterity," Mr. Useless explained.

"Also," he continued, "a \$300,000 libel suit against our

gossip column didn't help our financial picture too much."

Mr. Useless had initiated what he calls the "three-question" approach to interviewing, while advisor to the BLAH.

"This has had a marked effect on our news stories," Mr. Useless noted.

"We had tried to encourage students to show enthusiasm for the school--whenever we could find anybody to write the editorials," said Mr. Useless.

His favorite color is blue. His favorite foods are steaks and mashed potatoes. He declines to tell us whether advising the BLAH was his most unforgettable experience, saying "I'd rather forget it."