

'Scholastic' Poll Shows Why Youth Attend Movies

What are the movie habits of high school students? Why do they go to see certain films?

A poll, conducted by Scholastic Magazine among 79,755 high school students indicates that more than 67% of all junior and senior high school students attend the movies at least once a week.

The boys and girls who received ballots from the Institute of Student Opinion were divided as to the most important factor influencing their choice of movies. In fact, the highest percentage 19.10% said that they "just went" for no particular reason. This group was closely followed by 18.46% who went because they read about the film in a magazine, and 16.33% who heard their school friends talk about it.

"It is significant," points out M. R. Robinson, president and publisher of Scholastic Magazine, "that approximately one third of the total vote indicated that influences directly traceable to school life are a paramount factor in selection of movies."

Concert Given By Orchestra

The Senior High School orchestra, under the direction of Miss Virginia Frank, presented its annual winter concert on Sunday afternoon, January 9, in the Junior High School auditorium.

The program opened with the Overture Iphigenia in Aulis by Gluck, followed by Farandole from L'Arlesienne Suite No. 2 by Bizet and Syncopated Clock by Anderson. These selections were played by the entire orchestra.

The string sections then played Moderato from Water Music by Handel, Valse by Brahms, Thine Alone by Herbert, and Jazz Pizzicato by Anderson.

For the three concluding pieces, the entire orchestra again joined in playing Ode to a Hero by Marcellini, The Gondoliers by Sullivan, and Promenade by Anderson.

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H.P.H.S. Seniors Enter Contest

Peggy Layton, Colleen Allen, and Dot Kendall were chosen by the executive committee of the senior class to represent the school in the Southern Furniture Festival.

The nominees will compete with candidates from approximately 25 other high schools on the evenings of January 20 and 21 at the Junior High School auditorium. The entries will be judged chiefly on beauty and personality, with talent as an additional consideration.

The winner in the finals will be named Miss Furniture of the South. She will receive a week's vacation for two at Myrtle Beach. The same privilege will be given to a winner picked from the audience. The principal of the winning candidate's school will receive a trip to Manteo to see Paul Green's "Lost Colony."

Beta Members To Visit Convention

Students from the High Point chapter of the National Beta Club will join other North Carolina high school students at the Beta Club state convention in Raleigh on April 29-30.

Last year, the convention was held in Raleigh on Easter weekend, but no members of the local chapter attended this meeting.

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Latin Students Give Short Play

A short skit depicting home economics in Rome was given recently by Anne Bain, Mary Lib Casey, Nancy Haltom, Betsy Chernault, and Budd Montgomery, members of Room 304.

The dramatization presented by these students, dressed in togas, showed how a Roman dinner was eaten. The participants ate cheese cakes and honey-wine, reclining as they ate, as was the custom among ancient Romans.

After the skit was over, refreshments were served to the entire class.

J. T. M. Club Elects Greer President

Officers were elected and plans for February radio broadcasts were discussed at a recent meeting of the Junior Town Meeting Club.

At a previous Junior Town Meeting new officers were elected and they are as following: President, Dewey Greer; Vice-President, Ruth Ellen Monroe; Secretary, Jane Beam; and Treasurer, Cyrus Brooks.

Radio broadcasts are being scheduled for February. Discussions are now being led by clubmembers in all English classes during the month of January. The purpose is to gather topics which will later be used in discussions over the air.

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Seniors Chosen For 'Who's Who'

Sixteen members of the Senior Class have been recognized for their excellent records in high school by being selected to represent H. P. H. S. in the High School Register, a national "Who's Who" of American high schools.

Those selected are: Heywood Washburn, Jackie Meekins, Marilyn Robinette, Betty Claire Schultheiss, Max Thurman, Bob Hopkins, Dewey Greer, Sara Barrier, Paul Conrad, Dot Kendall, Margaret Little, Mary Strickland, Jane Beam, Evelyn Nance, Shirley Kirkman, and Ruth Ellen Monroe.

Students Soon To Receive Rings

Word has been received by the general office that the shipment of junior and senior class rings will be on its way soon. All students who have paid for their rings will receive them sometime in early February.

The class rings were ordered by Mrs. Johnnie Oakes Jackson, school secretary, on November 1, 1948, from the Star Engraving Company of Houston, Texas.

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Plans Underway For Senior Day

Members of the Senior Executive Board have elected a steering committee composed of five seniors to formulate plans for the second annual Senior Day shindig.

Members of this committee are Kent Jackson, Barbara Mabrey, Margaret Little, Rudy Upton, and Doris Rae Glenn.

The steering committee will be in complete charge of planning the program, setting up regulations, and deciding the date of the occasion. They will also appoint any other committees necessary.

Senior Day is a special event in the high school life of members of the graduating class. On this day members of the Senior class are "privileged characters" and may "pull their seniority" on underclassmen.

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