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**Day in the Life of Working Student**

**Buddy Poe Holds Down Two Jobs**

by TOM BROADFOOT

Euddy Poe, a senior here at CHHS who is following a vocational program of studies, has a full schedule. In addition to school work, he has two jobs. On school days he drives a bus in the morning and afternoon, and during the week-ends he works at Obie Davis's Service Station.

Recently, while waiting in his bus to pick up a load of kids, Buddy described his jobs.

"At the station I put in 20-30 hours each week-end, pumping gas, greasing cars. I really work on cars only once in a while. When June comes, it will be my seventh year working for Obie. Every other customer is different. That's what makes the job interesting. I never have regretted the day I started to work in the station.

**Poll Conducted; Answers Vary**

"What are you thinking about when a teacher is passing out a test?" Several CHHSers mulled over this rather unique question last week. A few of the more unusual answers follow.

Carol Pendergraph—"I should have stayed in bed!"

Jehny Gouger—"Why is she doing this to me, or I wonder what she made on her tests a hundred years ago."

Wendy Chipman—"I feel like—help!"

Jay Bagwell—"If the answers I copied down on the top of the desk are right."

Sharon Rassmussen—"I'm still cramming!"

George Thompson—"What I'd done the night before!"

Becky Ray—"What I hadn't the night before!"

Wally Shytle—"I think it's about time to go home, myself!"

Jenet Weaver—"Huh?"

Harriet Putnam—"My mind goes blank!"

Terry Blake—"I'm going over in my mind what I studied."

Charles House—"I'd tell you, but you couldn't quote it!"

April White—"I wonder if my notes are neatly tucked up my sleeve!"

Jerri Eller—"Why didn't I study some more?"

"We have odd things happen to us all the time. Things that could happen anywhere, especially in a college town. Once we had a fight out front: some college boys were having a real free-for-all. We had to call the law even though we wanted to see the action.

"The other day I had to argue with a guy from New York for 15 minutes before he let me clean his windshield. He said he didn't trust our cleaning fluid. That

sort of made me mad, so I felt I had to prove he was wrong.

"I've always been interested in cars and what makes them tick. No one in town will work on a foreign station wagon except me. I'll try anything once.

"Once I put a flywheel on a Renault with a cold chisel and a hammer. It was supposed to be fixed with a precision instrument, but it worked until the lady got back home to Durham.

"I thoroughly enjoy road trips at night. There's something challenging about trying to get a car to run. You have to get under the hood and fix what's wrong.

"The funniest time was when a nurse had her dad's car and couldn't start it. It was blocking the drive in front of the nurse's dorm, and they called me to get it going. When the girl tried it, the battery sounded dead. I got in and tried, and she cranked right up. I didn't do a thing to it. That nurse was really embarrassed; so was the cop that had tried to start it.

**Enjoys Job**

"If you work at a service station and like it, don't try and get another job. You can't beat it.

"During school I drive a bus. It's a lot of responsibility, but I don't mind it. This is my third year driving.

"Next September, I'm going to try and get in Jamestown Mechanics School and take a two-year mechanics course. I'd really like to be a mechanic."-TB



BUDDY POE spends much of his time working under hoods of cars like this one while he works at a local service station.

**TB Spread in Many Ways**

As we have often said before, the *Proconian* is a conservative newspaper. Not conservative enough, however, to write an editorial against kissing, which we have discovered is one of the major ways in which tuberculosis is spread.

But because we have an earnest desire to protect you, our loyal readers, from having to have too many X-rays, we would like to suggest one small way in which CHHSers could help to prevent the spread of TB.

A wadded up copy of the *Proconian* clutched firmly in one hand, we advance bravely with our suggestion, although we strongly suspect that it will elicit numerous charges of "trivial" from those loyal readers mentioned above.

But just stop and think a moment—how long has it been since you washed your hands before eating lunch? When you were a baby, they were washed for you; and when you were in primary school, you received a gold star for cleaning up. Now students seldom even think of washing their hands before eating.

Clean hands are important. Between 8:30 and lunch time, you touch many things which are common germ carriers. Merely by washing your hands you remove most of these dangerous germs; therefore, we urge a mass exodus to the washroom before lunch (and while YOU are washing, WE will proceed to the lunch room and get at the head of the line).

**Curriculum Study Foretold**

The current study of the CHHS curriculum, launched by the Citizen's Committee (see story on page one), can have valuable action is taken on the Committee's findings.

The *Proconian* assumes the mantle of a prophet and proposes to foretell some phases of the curriculum upon which the committee is likely to comment.

We believe that the Citizens' Committee will find a high school with one of the best academic programs in the state: a school which last year sent 60 per cent of its graduates to senior colleges and 4 per cent to junior colleges (as compared with a national average of 35 per cent); a school which has a strong scholastic program in all of the basic academic subjects; and a school, which, in spite of its relatively small size, offers four enrichment courses as well.

But CHHS has far more than merely an academic curriculum. Through a strong distributive education program, a course in industrial arts, and home economics classes, CHHS provides a curriculum with a wide range of emphasis and interest. Out of last year's 139 graduates, 5 per cent went to trade and business schools or hospitals for nurses' training, 18 per cent are now gainfully employed, and 6 per cent (some of whom may later acquire further education or training) are in the armed forces.

CHHS's English department, which consistently places graduates in superior English classes in college, will, we believe, be commended for its fine work. Math, French, and Spanish departments also graduate students who obtain advanced standing in college courses. The library, too, should be praised as one of the best in the state.

The stepped-up program in mathematics and French will more than likely win commendation, with suggestions that the science program also be extended. A valuable addition to the curriculum, when the size of the faculty permits, would be courses in advanced chemistry, biology, or physics for those highly successful in the more elementary courses.

An extended program in the field of Latin would raise CHHS's standards to compare favorably with those of other schools.

Perhaps adding to the value of the history curriculum would be required courses in civics, even if they be only one-semester and one-half credit. To complete the credit, a semester course in world problems or modern world history could be initiated to supplement the other history courses which are sometimes prevented, by the limitations of time, from reaching the more recent historical events.

The aspects of CHHS life which we believe will most please the committee, however, is the attitude of the students themselves. We believe that CHHSers are considerably more serious about their studies in all fields than is usual. The student body seems to be really striving to attain a goal, and their task has been made simpler by an extremely fine faculty.

**Student of the Month**

**SCA Honors Jernigan for Spirit**

For her constant display of school spirit and her interest in school and class-sponsored projects the Student Council salutes Judy Jernigan as December's Student of the Month.

The idea of pep day to promote school spirit was initiated by Judy, who urged everyone to dress in the school colors and wear the "Wildcat Supporter" tags.

The sports bulletin board, which brings newspaper clippings concerning CHHS sports and players to the attention of all students, is Judy's own project.

Serving as co-head of the majorettes, Judy performs with them in the halftime ceremonies at football games and accompanies the band in parades.

For homecoming this fall, Judy was in charge of decorating the gym for the dance. She is also serving as secretary of the Monogram Club.

One of her more recent activities has been the organization of the senior girls' football team. Judy recruited the team members, and helped to get the practices underway.

"All sports teams, especially

**Postmark Muenster**

**City's History Varied and Picturesque**

(Robert Arndt, a member of the CHHS class of 1962, is in Germany and has volunteered to be the *Proconian's* first "foreign correspondent.")

I'm very sorry that this first report is so late in arriving. The only excuse I can offer for not having produced the articles is that it took us a long time to get settled down: the long fall vacations were in October, so we took a gourmet trip through Belgium, France, and the corner of Switzerland. Also time consuming was schoolwork: I'm five years behind in Latin! I apologize most humbly and hope to make amends.

**Muenster Historic**

Muenster is the capital of the ancient duchy, episcopal see and short-lived Napoleonic kingdom of Westfalia, on the western edge of Germany. It is a flourishing manufacturing and university city of 185,000 inhabitants, but still visible at the center is the ring of old fortifications and moats which still surrounds the medieval city. One thousand years of history have left their monuments in the stately Romanesque, Gothic, and Renaissance facades of the city's 36 churches and palaces.

**Old City Destroyed**

The city was over 90 per cent destroyed during the last war. Astonishingly, there are now only two sites in the entire Muenster area that show any signs of bomb damage, though I'm told that the several large parking areas in the heart of the city were once completely built up. All of the many churches and patrician houses have been rebuilt and quite often carefully restored to their original designs.

**Restoration Glossy**

The result of this restoration is a somewhat too glossy, even stylized, look in places, something like a new stage set for a medieval city scene. Yet it is not the incredible sleekness of, say, the Governor's Palace at Williamsburg, or the hand-polished craftsmen's shops at Deanborn—Muenster is saved from that effect by its obviously authentic arcades, curving lanes, and narrow archways, which combine to make the entire inner city a pedestrian's paradise and a motorist's nightmare.

**Bicycles Popular**

Of course, for the roughly 30 per cent of the inhabitants who rely on a bicycle for transportation, there is no such problem to begin with, for all Muenster is

equipped to cope with the swarms of bicycles that move like dragonflies through the terrifying traffic.

Despite its many modern buildings and its mostly modern roads and traffics, the city as a whole has an air of having watched history go by. And history has gone by, for near the city there are still the broad paths left by the Romans in their march toward the Teutoburger Forest to the North.

**Muenster Progressive**

Muenster is a solid yet characterful city, well-established yet looking ahead, and old and beautiful. This is where we have put down temporary roots; *Proconian* reports will be arriving, I hope in time for every issue, with—postmark Muenster.

**Apply Now for Exam: Shepard**

"All students who need to take the January College Board Examinations should apply immediately," states Mrs. Becky Shepard, guidance counselor. December 16 is the deadline, after which a penalty fee of \$2.00 will be charged for late applications, and no application will be accepted after December 30.

High school seniors, interested in General Motors Scholarships, must take the Scholastic Aptitude Tests of College Boards by January 13. Information may be obtained from Mrs. Shepard.

Scholarship opportunity is available to seniors who desire a career in radio or television broadcasting. Applications for the WBT-WBTV Scholarship may be obtained from Mrs. Shepard.

Students should remember to look on the bulletin board next to the counselor's room since new information arrives daily.-CS



JUDY JERNIGAN