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Semester 2 brings big changes to the paper

This, the thirteenth issue of the 1974-1975 ARCADDET, happens to be the last issue for which the current staff can be legally held responsible. While under the

new "Communications" heading the ARCADDET and OPACLE staffs are to--theoretically, mind you--contribute fairly equally to both publications, it seems those who

were actually in the fourth period class were rather lax in their approach to producing the newspaper. As a result, the Comm. II -Newspaper class is being moved to sixth period, as of January 27th. This is a restraining-type action, aimed at preventing the people who are just interested in an "easy" period (and there are many) from interfering with those who want to put out a good paper (of which there are few). Only those who are genuinely interested will take a class sixth period, is the rationale--especially as it's an "upper-classman" sort of class. If there are those of you out there who can find a mistake somewhere in this sentence and are desirous of writing a few sentences of your own, feel free to (try to) sign up for the class.

Seniors exit at semester

24 Seniors are leaving us as of the second semester. They are: Debbie Aguiar, Karen Con-soli, Angela Drumm, Diane Azevedo, Ken Andreasen, Fred Bal-donado, Terrell Cha-fin, Ron Dafford, Julie Harris, Bever-ly Lewis, Julie Loo-per, Pam Morrison, Karla Peterson, Nel-da Poe, Stephen Oli-ver, Leslie Rich, Kathy Rigney, Brad Shuck, Patty Sea-baugh, Mary Skav-dahl, Sherri Sulli-van, Eileen Walker,

Richard Warren, and Susan White.

In order to grad-uate at mid-year, you must give a val-id reason and, of course, meet minimum graduation require-ments. Good reasons include obtaining a job, marriage, join-ing the military, and an urge to start college.

One must file an application for grad-uation at mid-year with the Credit and Scholarship Commit-tee. This group con-sists of Mr.

Scherer, Mr. Jacob-son, Mrs. Jaroch, and the four coun-selors. The senior counselor is the head of this group, which means Mr. Ab-bott is so honored this year. The de-cision to allow a student to graduate at mid-year is sole-ly up to this com-mittee, so that if they find your rea-son for graduating early not valid, you'll just have to suffer through the rest of the year.

January 21-27



Coming

Tuesday, Jan. 21

*Student Legislature, rm. 25, period 4. Basketball at St. Mary's, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 22

*Key Club, rm. 34, 11:55, Ar-teca Club, rm. 20, 11:55. Finals for periods 1-3.

Thursday, Jan. 23

*C.J.S., rm. 34, 11:55. Finals for periods 4-7. School ends at noon for those with only six classes.

Friday, Jan. 24

*Student Holiday. Basketball vs. here, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27

Second semester (third quarter)

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They're back! THEY'RE BACK!

MORE little known facts

- 51) At just the right hour, at just the right time of year, the oak tree at the corner of the tennis courts casts a shadow which stretches clear to the Band room.
- 52) Mr. Scherer didn't write the first fifty "Little-Known Facts"
- 53) Less than 10% of the students in this school care about fact n.52.
- 54) Less than 80% of the kids here have a surname of Gandershnortz.
- 55) Telephone-booth-stuffing contests have not been held at OHS this year because of the fact we have no telephone booths.
- 56) Many refer to Ralph Dawson as "Ralph"
- 57) The Arcadet has rarely shown a profit by the end of the year.
- 58) Few, if any, organizations having to do with this school have shown profits by the end of the year.
- 59) Few people recall the score of the last tennis match.
- 60) Bob Bashaw has never won a Venus de Milo look-alike contest.
- 61) Peanuts are never studied, from a nutritional standpoint, in Typing classes.
- 62) Howard Cosell is not a graduate of an OHS speech course.
- 63) One of the only places on campus where you cannot hide someone is the "Broadcast Booth."
- 64) The theme in this year's yearbook is not "Winged Victory"
- 65) Mr. Osman is no relation to the famous singing brothers.
- 66) James Thurber is still holding his "Carnival" in the Library.
- 67) It is not possible to put an inflated basketball in the lockers outside rooms 13 and 14.
- 68) Halley's comet won't be visible this year.
- 69) Everyone taking a Math Dept. class has discovered that 2 plus 2 equals 5, er, 4.
- 70) There are those who refer to Willie Smith as "good ol' Willie." The majority, however, simply call him "Willie," if they call him at all.

Studentspeak

My friend and I had just bought our lunch, and ventured to the girls locker room as our usual eating spot. I wondered what it would be like to sit in a room that was made for lunch, so that while you were sitting there, you would not have clothes being tossed in your face and naked bodies running past you. This problem utterly disgusts me. So after much thought and discussion I came to the conclusion that we are in bad need for a cafeteria at Oakdale High School. But we know this building is not in our pocket books. So we would even settle for a couple of benches on the lawn.

Barbara Webb



The people who go around and destroy school property should not only have to pay for the damages, but suffer other penalties too.

Take, for example, the tables out by the Band room. At the start of this year they were in good shape, but now look at them. To me this shows no school pride or maturity.

Mike Wilson

It's really horrible to watch people make this school look very sickening by throwing litter all over everywhere. I think that there should be a strict law that would be enforced against any and all litter. This law should hold a punishment that would make one think

I would like to express my opinions on the one thing that I would really like to see changed at Oakdale High School. I would like to see more teachers get involved with their students. I think teachers are really not concerned with their students. It seems to me that teachers only teach to give kids work. I think if they put a little fun in their classes that their students would become more interested in that class.

I'm not saying all teachers have no interest in their students, but some really don't care. Those that don't are making the classes very boring. Cindy Hedden

before littering. The students should be proud of Oakdale High and not mess it all up with litter. Those who are not proud should at least respect the ones who try to keep Oakdale High School a beautiful campus.

Dave Bacigalupi

I don't like to go down to the counselors' office, because every time I go down there, (for one reason or another), I have to sit there and sit there and sit there. The counselor is always busy with someone or something else. Then when you're tardy for your next class you get bawled out. This doesn't go for all the counselors but some of them. I know they've each got more than 300 kids to take care of, but I think we should have some kind of time schedule or system so he has time for all his people, not just the trouble-makers.

Tammy Clifton

EDITOR'S OPINION

By Dan Langhoff

A few of those who have read my comments in the past, and at least considered them grammatically acceptable, have suggested I say something about "the litter problem." Now, those of you who could care less about "the litter problem" might in turn suggest I write "Something. The End," but I'm no Smothers brother. As a matter of fact, there are some things to be said relating to "the litter problem," and some even original.

Yes, Virginia, there is a "litter problem." There is an abundance of undesired waste paper dotting the potentially picturesque grounds of this school. It is hardly an indication of an excess of mature people on this campus. Not only is "littering" a sign of lack of eye-hand coordination, it is a totally irrational act. We students cannot expect a mature, adult community to hold much respect for we "future leaders" when we cannot even dispose of waste paper in a "civilized" manner. Whatsa matter, can't you find the gaping holes of the appropriate receptacles?

Actually, littering is but one symptom of an epidemic prevalent throughout this school: the attitude a great majority of the students have when it comes to--catch this real grown-up-type term--taking responsibility. As usual, there are a mysterious "few" carrying out acts of vandalism, but, in spite of the increase in the frequency and violence of these occurrences, we should not ignore the wide-spread "don't care" attitude exhibited by so many of our peers. In every class I've seen, the students watch the clock like hawks, and when the bell "finally" rings, they drop everything and rush out the door. Materials are left about, desks left in a pattern hardly conducive to getting the next class organized, and various snack wrappers left wherever its purchase

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**"IF YOU DON'T SHUT YOUR MOUTH I'M
GOING TO PUNCH YOUR LIGHTS OUT!!!"**

Eric Zettencourt

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If we employed enough people to pick up the dogs, then if a dog tries to harm or scare you, you would be rescued right away by one of these employees.

Don't you think this is a better solution than Anne's?

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EDITOR'S OPINION, continued

took it off. Do you like to come into a
room thusly decorated? If not, wouldn't
it logically follow that you should
make sure the room you leave isn't like
that?

I'm wondering just why we have a
school full of people so eager to get
out of each class. One can certainly
rule out the time element, as but a
scant few need five minutes travelling
time to their next class. Why, also,
are so many so non-interested in their
classes? On that score, blame could be
put to, for instance, the six periods,
day-in, day-out format school is run on,
or "the kids these days." In my opinion
--well, that's not important. What do
you think? That's important. Far too
few are willing to sacrifice any more
time than they're legally compelled to
for a class or a cause. In some cases,
I suppose, it's a situation in which
people are trying so hard to be in so
many image-building groups that they
never get around to actually doing any-
thing in any of them.

Striking close to home for an ex-
ample representative of student apathy,
take the publications classes this year.
From an average student's viewpoint,
they're not currently "good" classes;
every student's responsibility is not
specifically spelled out for him, so
those who get interested (you can count
these people on one hand) do the work
while the others wait for, well, I don't
know what. This is hard for me to un-
derstand, seeing as how publications is
a subject in which all sorts of little
or big jobs are potentially there to do.

What with the new semester coming up
and all, why don't you try a little
something different. Choose a class or
cause which really interests you--or you
think could possibly interest you--and
GET INVOLVED! Put in a little time in
it, and see what can be accomplished.
It couldn't hurt, right?

MORE LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS (SURPRISE!)

- 71) A Tyrannosaurus Rex has not been seen about here in years.
- 72) There are no bird-watching clubs on campus.
- 73) Gen. Washington never crossed the Stanislaus River.

AND NOW A WORD
FROM...

To the Editor:

In response to a letter in your last issue, we would like to say "Just like a Freshmen" that when you are dirt, you are treated as such!

Terrell Chafin
Rick Fields

(soon to be co-chair persons of the anti-senior deflamation league.)

WHAT WOULD YOU DO
IF YOU ONLY HAD TWO
WEEKS TO LIVE?

JIM FISICARO:

--Die in two weeks.

RANDY BROWN:

Quit school and take a trip.

HIRAM VAN NORMAN:

--Kill myself.

Oakdale High's one and only

TOP TEN

YOU AIN'T SEEN NO-
THING YET--Burg
Brunker

I'M GOING TO BE A
TEENAGE IDOL--
Rick Peabody

YOU LITTLE TRUST
MAKER--Mike Orvis
SOMEDAY I'LL BE A

FARMER--Debbie Gul-
let
WISHING YOU WERE

HERE--Carla to Jeff
FISHIN'--Pegina and
Jeanette

WIPE-OUT--Debbie
Gardner

BIG, BAD JOHN (JOHN?)
Bill Largeant

SWEET JANE--Mike
Mitchell

BABY DON'T GET
HOOKED ON ME--Marc
to Julie

Morrison's Pharmacy



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WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU GOT A GLOCKENSPIEL FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY?

HIRAM VAN NORMAN--I'd eat it for breakfast.

RICHARD WALLAGE--go get stoned with it.

KATRINA BAGLINGER--give it to Garth Hewitt
and let him throw it down the chimney to
his mother.

CINDY MORROW--Stick it in a locker near mine?

DEBBIE STEELE--g...e it to Russell Van Norman
for a wedding present.

KIM RAPINCHUK--Put a candle on it and make
John stand on a chair with it at Dreyers.

LEONA SHOWALTER--I'd rock it to sleep.

SINDEE MASON--I'd give it away.

BILLIE MOJEDA--I'd wear it.

LINDA VAN ELSWYK--I'd play it of course.

DEBBIE BURKETT--I'd cherish it.

JANET HALE--I'd eat it for lunch.

KATHY WALKES--I don't know because it's not my
birthday yet.

CRAIG VAZQUEZ--If I knew what it was I'd prob-
ably keep it.

JOHN NELSON--Put it in a cage.

HOWARD POE--feed it to the freshmen football
team.

BILLY GRIFFITH--Give it to Helen Melton for her
birthday.

EDNA FARMER--Give it to my ol' man.

DEBBIE PERMENTER--Let Ryan Keith and Manny
Mate smoke it.

CHRIS LOPEZ--Give it to Roger Beene with love,
and him to save it for a wedding present for
us.

By the way, a glockenspiel is a musical instrument.

PROSPECTS LOOK GOOD FOR CAGERS

Coach Norman Antinetti expects this year's V.O.L. basketball championship race to be a tight one. Any one of five teams could win. A team may lose one or two games and still be able to get at least a share of the title.

According to Antinetti, there will be no easy league games this year. The top teams should be Oakdale, Saint Mary's, Manteca, and Sonora, but Los Banos has an outside chance, in his opinion. Even Ceres and East Union, probably the weakest teams in the league, could beat one of the favorites on a given night. Coach Antinetti also says the keys to winning the championship will be winning on the opposition's home court, and winning the close games.

In non-league play, the Mustangs posted a 9-4 record (three of the losses were to Beyer High). OHS placed second in the Modesto tournament, and third in the Oakdale Holiday Classic.

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"Peanuts," to you

If you are wondering why there is "spirit", more commonly known as yelling and screaming, at Oakdale High basketball games this year, here's why.

It so happens it is a spirit group known as the "peanut gallery" who has brought about this rare happening. The peanut gallery consists mainly of Oakdale High Junior and Senior boys. There are also a few non-cheerleader girls that join in to give extra support. The group was started by three Oakdale High boys: Dave Bacigalupi, Luis Miranda, and Steve Rocha. They prove it can be rather nice to have a noisy gym.

A PLEA FOR EQUAL-OPPORTUNITY ROOTING

The main tradition at Oakdale High School seems to be school spirit. The only problem with this is that it centers around boys' sports. No wonder there are so many big-headed guys floating around campus. Maybe some people aren't aware of it, but the girls have an athletic program too, not to mention their being in the Valley Oak League.

More emphasis should be put on spirit and support for the girls. It seems to me that the boys get a kick out of making fun of the girls when they play basketball, tennis, and so on, but if boys and girls would come out to watch and show a genuine interest, maybe the athletes would be more determined to win. After all, why be proud of the boys' great 20-0 basketball record, if the girls are 7-13 for the season?

Believe me, it really helps when you are losing and all of a sudden you hear a cry from the bleachers, "Go, Oakdale!" --especially when it comes from the boys.
--An interested by-stander

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