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"Put up or shut up" or The sealing of fate

For a half century (give or take a couple of years), the chief critics of rallies have been Student Publications. This year is no exception. Serious questions about rallies and their operation have been raised, and many voiced in Arcadet Editor Dan Langhoff's editorial of Oct. 29th. The hurlers of barbs this year, however, would like to do something about this. As Mr. Eugene Conrotto, Publications advisor, has so succently stated to his classes, "It's time for us to put up or shut up." As a result, all 70 members of his many and varied communications classes will put on the first Put-Up-Or-

Shut-Up Non-Rally Friday, Dec. 13th. This defense of Mr. Langhoff will feature the varied talents of the lil' Freshmen and Sophomores of Campus Communications I, the upper-class "rowdies" of Arcadet, and the more "Academia Nuts" of Oracle.

"After seeing how really tough it is to entertain 1300 very sophisticated kids, my 70 'critics' may whistle a different tune," commented Conrotto. "In fact, I secretly hope it bombs--but don't print that."

In spite of their advisor's encouragement, the journalists are already working on the extravaganza. The rally will feature a drawing for dates with the Oracle and

Arcadet King and Queen. Carrying the banner for the year-book will be Rudi Burtschi and Ulla Urhonen (the "foreigners"), and newspaper representatives will be Richard Mahaney and Annette Sharp (the "Americans"). A paltry 10 cents will purchase your chance at bliss. Winners, who need be present to win, will accompany these beautiful people in Bart Barringer's chauffer-driven motor home. They will be served dinner featuring the unique cuisine of Mac Donald's, and then be allowed to drag McHenry a few times. More details will be forthcoming (and, no doubt, less rally criticism will be forthcoming after Dec. 13th).

FFA Activity

NOW THEY'RE JUDGING PEOPLE!

It's FFA Sweet-heart time again (at the ol' corral?) Department heads are being asked to nominate their candidates for this annual contest, with the winner to be chosen later this month.

This contest is only open to Junior girls. Candidates must have some knowledge of agriculture, an interest in FFA, an at-

tractive personality and appearance, and an ability to speak well. Each department will nominate one candidate, and all the agriculture classes will chose representatives, also.

The evaluation of candidates begins with an interview and basic agriculture test before a committee of six students and Mr. John Herkner. Four finalists will be chosen and the Sweetheart will be elected by the FFA members at a joint meeting.

The Sweetheart will represent Oakdale's FFA chapter at various activities around the state. One such activity will be a judging contest at Fresno State College, Fresno, with competition coming from other California Sweethearts.

FINALISTS FOR THIS YEAR'S FFA CHAPTER SWEETHEART CONTEST ARE: CHERYL ICHORD, KAREN SCHWAB, JANICE BROOKS, AND JULIE RAFF.

MY TURN / Kim Rapinchuk

Why do people go to school, anyhow? From past issues of the Arcadet, various surveys, and personal observation, I've found the following reasons come up over and over: "I like school because I'm a yell leader," or "I like it because I have easy classes," or "If it weren't for football, I wouldn't be in school right now," or, and

SENIORS WILL BE SNAPPED

Senior portraits will be taken Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of next week. Crete Studios of Lodi will do the honors again this year, on the basis of their fine service in the past. For having the privilege of snapping Seniors, Crete provides many free services to the Oracle—such as film development, professional photography, etc. This not only means you can have fine Senior pictures, but a great yearbook as well.

The first two days (the 19th and 20th) will be devoted to recording girls on film, while the boys will be captured forever the second two days (the 21st and 22nd). All Seniors are to be there (room 24) for at least the Oracle sitting, in which the dress is dictated by the class vote; however, dress and poses, even purchasing itself, of portraits for your own use is strictly up to you. In past years, only a very few Seniors failed to have their pictures taken—this is a "tradition" everyone would like to see kept or improved upon.

This Week

Nov. 12-18

Tuesday, Nov. 12--
*C.S.F., Rm. 28, 11:55 Work Experience, Rm. 24, Per. 2

Wednesday, Nov. 13--
*Azteca Club, Rm. 20, 11:55. Key Club, Rm. 34, 12:00.

Thursday, Nov. 14--
*J-Club, Rm. 21, 12:00; C.J.S., Rm. 34, 11:55; Frosh football, Sonora, here.

Friday, Nov. 15--
*Varsity & Soph football at Sonora

Monday, Nov. 18--
*Medical Arts Club, Rm. 14, 11:55. Band, B.R. 11:55, Student Council, Rm. 25, 11:55.

this one is timeless, "I go to school to meet my friends"

Sometimes I can't help but wonder where the learning comes in. Not once have I heard anyone say that they are taking a class to learn something new and different, or because they like the subject.

Believe it or not, this apathetic attitude has consequences--like when you're trying to get into a college, or applying

for a decent job.

Why not think about the future? Take a class that just might be hard for you. It never hurt anyone to use their brains. You just might surprise yourself and like the class.

When I think about what can happen to apathetic people, I am reminded of a Cheech and Chong record popular a few years ago: "What I Did With My Summer Vacation"--I went

downtown to look for a job..."

I can imagine a summer of that, maybe. But a whole life?

FLASH!(?)

Thursday night, November 5, was a very special occasion for a member of the Oakdale Hi Faculty. Mr. Stone's St. Bernard had 9 puppies. The last one was delivered Wednesday morning at 3:00.

The ARCADET for 1974-75

We, the staff of the Arcadet, feel it's about time we explained what our aims are in regards to this paper. While we should have, perhaps, made some mention of these objectives in an initial issue, it is only now that we realize exactly what our limitations are. In short, "organization" is just now creeping into our production.

Obviously, the format this year is a radical departure from past volumes. Prior to this year, the completed Arcadet would be sent with the Oakdale Leader to be printed in Manteca. This year, however, the Arcadet is trying to cut expenses so that we can come out more often. Thus, we have made use of the offset lithographic press on campus. This saves the cost of expensive, but not necessarily better, printing and also enables us to provide a weekly paper (contrary to the sporadic outputs in past years). By the way, a weekly high school paper is an extremely rare commodity. The rather unique size of the paper, is a result of the fact that the press will only handle paper up to 10 by 14 inches. To achieve the better reproduction we're getting in these issues, we must complete the paper Thursday of the prior week, so preparation for the actual mechanical work can be done.

This last fact explains why the 1974-75 Arcadet is not attempting to be a straight "news" paper. Couple the early deadline with the paper size and equipment available to us (more appropriately, not available), and you realize why we aim for more of a magazine-type format. Besides the fact there is little, if any, hard news about campus, we feel we cannot compete with the Leader and other sources of information which students turn to before their school paper. Oakdale High School is our beat, however, and we're

in a better position to cover it than anyone. Because of the poor quality of recent Arcadet volumes, we feel the students have lost respect for "their" paper--we hope to correct that.

There are many things we'd like to see in this year's paper. A fairly detailed calendar is one of the biggest needs. By the way, if your organization is not getting any publicity, let us know. We will reserve editorial space until we feel there's a subject worth writing about. However, we whole-heartedly encourage students' letters and commentaries. We hope to be a "voice of the student body," to keep tabs on your student government, so you'll know what they're doing. Hopefully we can get around to starting columns such as "My Question Is"--where questions from students about their school will be investigated by Arcadet staffers. Puzzles and cartoons will creep in from time to time, also--although if you'll come by we'll explain why they're very difficult to present. Any suggestions and/or comments you have will gladly be received. In fact, if you'd like to be an Arcadet "stringer" let us know. If you're a member of a minority-type group who is being neglected, let us know we try to be equal opportunity publishers.

While we are aiming for as "professional" a paper as possible, we must point out the fact that after all, this thing's run by kids. Typos will slip through and poor stories may still slip through when deadlines press. However, realize also that we're improving all the time--good grief, we've still got only twenty issues to go.

Dan Langhorne
Editor-in-chief

Harriers

O.H.S. Junior cross-country team won the V.O.L. crown this year. Seven runners won the trophy for our school. These seven are, Al Carreira, Tim Pimley, E. Petree, Tom Pimley, Greg Calistro, Arnie Silva, and Charles Pittel. Sixteen O.H.S. harriers won medals.

Eddie Looper led the way for the Sophomores as they came in 3rd over-all. The Seniors came in 4th. Steve Douglass was the first Oakdaler to finish.

The varsity record over-all was 2-4, the Soph's was 4-2. If you have a chance, stop by the business office and take a look at the trophy the Juniors brought home.

Frosh

The Ponies tangle with Sonora at home this Thursday in their last game of the season. The Wild-Kittens promise to be tough, but the Ponies' defense should be able to stiffen for the test. The season has been rather disappointing for the Frosh, but Mr. Greaves' charges have gained valuable experience for next season.

Sophs

The Sophomores won a game! They beat Ceres, but only because Ceres forfeited the game. The Ceres Sophomores had to be moved up to their varsity because there weren't enough Bulldogs.

This week, the Sophomores play a fairly tough Sonora team and of about 500.

Sports Notes

Mustangs to face Wildcats

Oakdale vs. Sonora—the biggest rivalry of the year, and one of the biggest rivalries in all of high school football. Over the years Oakdale has won 35 games to Sonora's 13. This year's game is a big one for the Mustangs. A win could preserve their hopes for a tie for 1st place with

East Union. Sonora has no hope of a championship this year, but they have been the spoilers this year by upsetting St. Mary's 15-12 just two weeks ago. To beat Oakdale would be a great way to end the year—Oakdale, of course, has other ideas.

OAKDALE	SONORA		OAKDALE	SONORA	
0	1922	0	18	1948	7
0	1922	22	41	1949	0
18	1923	0	27	1950	7
0	1926	21	0	1951	7
12	1927	0	19	1952	14
13	1928	6	0	1953	21
13	1929	7	20	1954	13
16	1930	7	21	1955	6
25	1931	0	20	1956	0
27	1932	10	6	1957	7
7	1933	0	7	1958	32
6	1934	13	24	1959	0
13	1935	7	0	1960	0
0	1936	0	6	1961	0
0	1937	2	14	1962	0
7	1938	6	6	1963	0
0	1939	9	13	1964	20
0	1940	0	13	1965	0
12	1941	0	25	1966	13
12	1942	24	25	1967	0
18	1943	0	27	1968	6
19	1943	7	12	1969	6
26	1944	7	15	1970	12
39	1945	0	7	1971	8
19	1946	6	46	1972	18
0	1947	0	13	1973	8

SERIES RECORDS:

Oakdale vs. Sonora

OAKDALE	35
SONORA	13
TIES	5

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