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THE END.

School is drawing to a close. The prom is past history, exams are done, and the seniors graduate tonight. What more is there to say? Possibly, from our point of view, in this last issue, we could be permitted to add this final note on the Bull Sheet; by Christina Rossetti:

The lillies of the field whose
bloom is brief;-
We are as they;
Like them we fade away
As doth a leaf.

STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ARE UNDER UNUSUAL FORCE

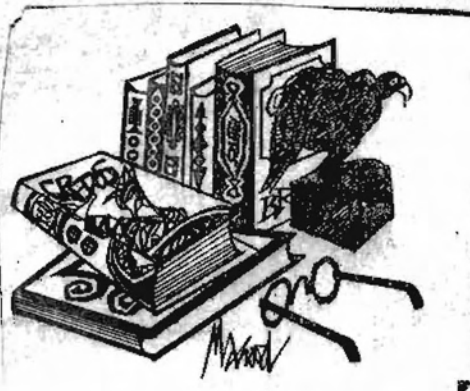
Seniors Graduate

A peculiar atmosphere has literally descended on the majority of the Berlin High students and teachers. All of a sudden, within the past two weeks, teachers and students have become more compelled and interested in accomplishing a lot more work now, than they had in the past school year. This unusual force is very contagious because it has spread throughout the school.



Well, there's an answer to the unusual force---- it's that type of year again.. It's EXAM WEEK OF COURSE!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Besides the last minute preparation for the Finals, most students, especially the SENIOR High students, have been desperately trying to catch up on their contracts in some classes, finishing book reports in others, and pulling their hair out in classes where they realize that their efforts are a lost cause.

Keep your chins up students just think, you're only got three more days to go.



During the past few months, a survey was conducted involving the present lives of last June's graduating class. Mrs. Judith Belt, Career Counselor and Work/Study Coordinator, supervised the project through her daily Work/Study classes. All forty-nine seniors were sent a questionnaire and return envelope, and twenty-eight replies were received.

Several questions were asked concerning college, employment, and how they would have improved their high school educations, if at all.

Some suggestions were: put more stress on grammar and composition... improve reading, writing, and vocabulary skills... smaller classes, especially for required subjects... improve foreign language department... improve student-teacher relations... have a speed-reading course... keep and expand the Work/Study Program... more extra-curricular activities... change graduation requirements... more nature courses, like survival, camping, etc., or at least some clubs for it... more accounting and book-keeping courses should be made available... more emphasis should be put on science and mathematics than other classes... improve the government course... more in-depth studies...

And now, here's a short run-down on what those graduates who did reply to the questionnaire were up to this past school year: Gary Brown-student at Columbus College, Columbus, Ga.; Roma Freeman-student at U. of Arkansas; Cindy Jennings-student at Skidmore College in N.Y.; Bunnie Lee- student at Wells College in N.Y.; Sam McCuskey-student at U of Md. at Munich; Melanie McGarry-student at Skidmore College in N.Y.; Sue Musalo-student at Susquehanna U. in Pa.; Mary Rissinger-student at U. of Miami in Ohio; Rhonda Whittington-student at U. of N. Carolina at Wilmington; Toni Yarbrough-student at U. of N. Carolina at Greensboro; Pam Billingsley-Air Force; Jim Folk-Air Force; Rick Furman-Air Force; Tom (Dufus) Baughman-mechanic in Md.; Herby Black-racing in California; Pam Krimming-assistant County Clerk; Jeri McPherson-Unemployed and planning to join Air Force in July; Ron Rathnow-planning a mountain climbing job; Renee Shipley-bookkeeper at Clock Shop; Maryanne Stanislaw-sales representative for hotel in Thailand; Jim Stottle- truck loader in Pa.; Rhonda Wilcox-receptionist for Davis Agency; John Freeman-student at U. of Missouri; Katrin Lindroth-student at Shippensburg St. College; Bill Planz-student at Frostburg St. College; Pascal Sherrod-student at N. Virginia College; Linda Tharpe-student at W. Kentucky U.; John Wilson-student at Miami Dade Jr. College.

I asked many of the students, c
BAHS what they had planned for next,
and here are the answers I got:

Baker, Bob- mess around
Bauer, Marie- stay in Berlin and work
Beausoleil, Bernie- going to college
Bouchard, Ricky, college
Carter, Betty- college
Clark, Joyce- get a job, and then college
Cunha, Ray- work
Durant, Mark- going to Spain
Eoford, Cathy- college
Fenrich, David- job, college
Flournoy, Valerie- college
Garrels, Larry- college
Goltz, Glenn- school, college
Green, Diana- college
Greer, Paul- work, U of Maryland
Head, Tim- work and college
Hoyle, Linda- stay here and work
Hoyle, Steve- Stay here and work
Johnson, Wanda- work and then school
Jones, Linda- college
Kane, John- join the Marines
LaCour, Bev- Going back to where the
grass grows wild
Liepmann, Nancy- work and mess around
with P.C.
Martel, Pat- going back to the states,
and go to school
McLean, Kevin- college
Mercer, Jose- work and get married
Murty, Arthur- nothing
Newman, Robert- school
Owens, Jackie- work and school
Parrish, Duwayne-mess around
Replogle, Ken- don't really know
Roewer, Karin-school
Ryan, Ralph- no information
Sauls, Steve- no information
Shelton, John- got to get out of High
School first
Smith, Harry-college
Sweeney, Kathy- college



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LETTERS.....



Sirs:

I would gladly pay you Tuesday for a hamburger today.
J. Wellington Wimpy

Sirs:

I would like to interest you in a few inventions which I have come up with in the last few years since I dropped out of sight. (My disappearance was carefully done and has been very successful, thanks to the help of my late brother.) Unfortunately, no one will believe that I am me or that my inventions work, and thus far I have been unable to even demonstrate them. I have chosen your paper to be the honored publication to reveal my secrets to the world. Among them is an effective youth serum as well as a peculiar machine which will run forever on no fuel or power source whatsoever.

I await your answer eagerly,
T. Edison

Sirs:

We invented it first.
A. Kosygin

Sirs:

Shazam!
B. Batson

Sirs:

Wow....
C. Marvel

Sirs:

re letter from T. Edison:
Well, I'll be damned! It works!
I. Newton

Sirs:

i was wondering if youd consider asking mr moreno of berlin high school, whom ive heard you were connected with, if i could borrow one of his typewriters during my stay in town. mine is a little messed up now as im sure you can see. although i do kind of like the way this looks. i just may try this style a time or two....
e. e. cummings

Sirs:

If you think that cummings guy has problxms, gxt a load of this. My typxwritxr won't typx "x"'s, and xvxry timx I hit it I gxt an "x". This doxs kind of mxss up my writing, don't you think.
Xnglxbxrt Xfram Xdwards

Dear sirs:

I've got 'em all beat. My typewriter's okay, but I simply can't type worth a damn and it comes out like that all the time without even trying. So, I'vx got you guys bxat. What happxnxd to my "x"? Oh, hxll, I givx up.
Tim Hxad

Sirs:

Why don't you use real letters instead of using crap like this that isn't even vaguely connected to your publication?
National Lampoon

Sirs:

No "x"'s thxs txmx. X wondxr what's goxng to go out nxxt. What a mxssxd up machxnx.
X. X. Xdwards

Sxrs:

Mx Gxd! Nx cxnsxnxnts xt xll. Whxt xlsx cxxld gx wrxng nxw?
X. X. XxxxxxxXx, xxxx!





BULLFEATHERS



The Editorial Page

EPILOGUE

With this, our fifteenth issue, the Bull Sheet ceases publication. The year draws to a close and so do we. There have been no plans to continue activities next year, and as far as we know, the newspaper will be left, as it was to us, to anyone who feels as if he or she can and has the desire to go through the work, hassle and frustration of running a school newspaper.

But I warn next year's editor and staff, if there is to be one: it is a hard task to find the time and patience, the material and sources, and the ideas and creativity to produce an issue. It is often without much credit, often with criticism, often with hassles, and seldom with a comfortable feeling about next issue and whether you'll get everything in on time and prepared for the printer. But it is worth it. I don't want to see the Bull Sheet die, for Steve Sauls and I, with the various staff members put a lot of time into these fifteen issues, trying to make them into what we thought would make a better paper.

Our purpose in the newspaper was to be less of an informant of news, for everything on newsworthy importance we printed was old hat by the time it reached the readers, but to provide a pleasant alternative to the daily drabness of school life, with something more interesting and thought-provoking than last week's basketball scores (which everyone knew already anyhow). We tried to make it more interesting to look at with a different-looking logo (and title, for that matter) and assorted fillers throughout the paper. We tried a lot of things with the paper, not all of which reached the final copy, and I, as editor, hope that you enjoyed those innovations that did make it. Mr. Leonard's movie column added great deal to those issues in which it appeared, and our Stairs & Strips parody and April Fool's issue hopefully provided a few smiles to the destitute during a few of the year's grimmer days.

We were not totally successful by any means, however. Our goals of an issue every two weeks sometimes was not met, although on occasion we got out one per week. And our hope of stirring the student body was not fully realized.

Despite the placement of a B.S.Box in the front hall, we rarely got any letters and more often found it full of bus and U-Bahn tickets. A pet project of mine, which relied fully on student response, the B.S. Reader, never got off the ground and even our name contest at the first of the year was a flop, with only five submissions. We continually asked for letters, articles, and photographs, and received next to none.

But these were disappointments shared before by the late bare fax of this same school, and we never truly despaired for the lack of response. We produced fifteen issues, with varying quality, which we hoped would be read and would entertain the student body and faculty, and I can safely say that we achieved some degree of success.

The task of producing the newspaper falls heavily on the editor, but without the tremendous help of many others, the newspaper would never get out. I would first like to thank our sponsor, Mr. Priebe, without whom, without a doubt, there would be no Bull Sheet. My thanks and esteem goes to the first editor of the paper, Steve Sauls, who was one of the guiding lights behind the paper the first half of the year and whose editorship on those first issues set the guidelines for those I did the chores on.

Special thanks to the secondary editor; Managing editors John Kane, who took over a number of times when I was gone; Ken Replogle, who attended the Journalism Conference with me and whose name we have misspelled countless times; Bea LaCour, Production Manager, who typed more pages of the paper than anyone else; and Kathy Sweeney, the exchange editor, who thankfully sent out huge piles of the paper each month to other schools.

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There are numerous others, such as Mr. Leonard, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Twohy, Mr. Britton, especially the staff of the paper, and Mr. Moreno for the use of his room and the benefit of his criticism.

I hope that the newspaper and its contents were taken in the spirit in which they were given; we have tried to be entertaining while trying to get a point across, and I hope that any future issue of the Bull Sheet will try and do the same. And I hope that our title will remain, for I think that it serves a great purpose in the philosophy of the paper and makes a point in itself.

This editor and this staff now draw to a close this final issue of this year's Bull Sheet. The staff consists mainly of seniors who leave their positions to those who feel the need for this publication, and graduate into the true bull sheet of college and Life. It is our hope that in later years you will think back with a smile upon the people who pulled off this whole thing and the pages of a different type of school newspaper, with the absurd title of

The Bull Sheet.

Tim Head,
Editor 1971-72



THAT'S ALL,
FOLKS!