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Dead last year and ineffective the year before, the Student Council is re-establishing itself under the new title. Student Cooperative.

If we are to have an effective student government this year, it must receive the support and encouragement of students and faculty. A lethargic Student Cooperative will only be the reflection of the school attitude as a whole. I, for one, feel that BAHS has a promising future this year and that the students are capable of forming and operating an efficient student government.

According to the new, revised constitution the Student Copperative will consist of an executive council and a representative bidy. The executive council will include a chairman co-chairman, tressurer and secretary, while te representative body will consist of students elected from their homerooms. The constitution will be considered in effect when approved by a majority of the student body in a referendum.

The constitution will be distributed to the homerooms on Tuesday. When ratification day comes around, whether you vote yes or no, I urge you to vote and thereby demonstrate interest in your school.

Steve Sauls

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WHAT TO DO

High school and student governmentwhat to do?

Rather than sink into soft oblivion with an occasional incoherant grunt of disgruntlement, why not be Ralph Naders. Even though most of us cannot get by on four hours sleep and twenty hours work per day, as he does, we can all work constructively for for appropriate change. Why not stop floating and start helping this year?

Why not stop "asking whay my school can do for me and begin asking what I can do for my school?" Why not make this the very best year that either you or BAHS have known by getting involved in student government, for the job of student government is to get involved in all of BAHS.

Mr. Britton, Asst. Principal

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Newspaper people have gotten word that James Brown is tenatively scheduled to appear at the Sportspalast on November 12. To hose who saw his last appearance here will be glad to see him again, and can confirm this in the Observer.

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North Central Crediting Association debriefs the faculty on their inspection of the school. Prelimenary results are favorable. Particularily praised were the student body members for their kindness to the inspectors.

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Special thanks to Mr. Sullivan for his translation of our credo, appearing at the top of the page. The English translation is read as "No News is Good News".

Hopefully, everyone heard the announcement Wednesday afternoon concerning the problem of cleanup in the Student Union after B lunch period. If the senior high students have not accepted the responsibility of returning trays, cups, and wrappers by next Wednesday, "the messing facilities will be suspended for one week."

In simple terms; clean up your own mess or starve. Anyone attending BAHS should be mature enough to accept the minor responsibility of returning his eating utensils. We of the Bull Sheet, feel that all students will "come together" in this matter and demonstrate to the administration that we are capable of co-operating with it.

Thank you.

Dear Bull Sheet,

The first quarter of the school year is almost over and I have yet to receive a lock for my locker. It would seem that two months is sufficient time to install a mechanical device for securing a door. I would appreciate an explanation for this inconvenience.

K. Stevenson

According to Mr. Twohy, there simply are no locks in Berlin, and a special order to West Germany has apparently been delayed enroute. Perhaps you'll get one from the Great Pumpkin.

Editor

## \* \* \* HOMECOMING

On November 6, 1971, the Senior Class is sponsoring the traditional Homecoming Dance to be held at the Harnack House from 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm. Dress is semi-formal and entertainment will be provided for the night by The Haze.

The price of tickets will be announced on Tuesday, October 26. A buffet is included in the price of the ticket. Grades 9 - 12 are invited to attend.

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You might be wondering why you are seeing <u>Bull Sheet</u> so soon after last Friday's magnificent edition. This is a Special Edition for the newly proposed BAHS Constitution, which will be presented to the student Body next week for a vote. We hope to stir up some interest in the student government by presenting several views on the subject.

Our regular format will be back next issue with "Shooting the Bull", "Dear Minnie," "F\*I\*L\*M\*S", "Strange Object", and the rest of those vital items. A few necessary notices have been squeezed into this issue, so take note.

#### EDITORIAL

I have had the privilege of reading the new constitution and find it entirely adequate. It is, however, not a truly new constitution, but a less complex version of previous BAHS constitutions. The number of almostuseless offices has been eliminated, and the entire setup has been simplified substantially. The name has been changed to the Student Co-operative, and the highest office is now Chairman. I think this suits the organization particularly well. This is really the only major change of any note other than the elimination of a lot of the useless wordage.

But to have a better government does not rely on having a radical new constitution, but rather on how the elected members use the constitution. Although I was not here, I have heard drab tales of previous student governments. This does not have to be so.

The chairman can use his power to do a lot for the school; or rather to provide the shove needed to start any such action.

I would recommend that the chairman, once elected, use a (Continued on Page 3.)

### A TEEN CLUB AT LAST

This past Wednesday night, the AYA was closed in order to hold an organizational meeting for a long-requested Teen Club. It's understandable that the older kids were complaining about the smaller fry making the place a playground. This meeting had more than fifty people who signed up in attendance, which was encouraging. It dwindled down to twenty-six.

Our Social Director, Mr. Ed English, opened by introducing the temporary officers, and two young ladies who are in charge of a new arts & crafts department and a dramatics club. More information about them can be obtained at the AYA, so feel free to help yourself. There were several suggestions for a special name for the Teen Club: Cub's Cave or Corner, the Eye, the Hut, the Place, Bear Pit, Devil's Pack, and even the Berlin American Teen Club. We would've voted on it later, but too many people had left.

An important change in this organization is that we will be able to have our own fund, separate from the AYA. This way, we know how much money we have all the time, and only we can use it. Every month there will be a treasures report (along with a newsletter and calendar) sent to each Teen Club member indicating how much we have and what any of it was spent on.

A new attraction will be a Teen Nite, happening once every few Saturdays, when there isn't an official dance. It will be special, for Teen Club members only, and we can arrange special entertainment, etc. It'll be as much fun as we make it, so we can use everyone's help and suggestions. We can also try some exchange dances. At the teen forum in Berchtesgaden, several Teen Clubs expressed interest in visiting Berlin. We could go to their's, too, and even extra places. But only those who really are helping the Teen Club can earn the privilege of The way you can prove yourselves is earning points, by volunteering to help out in Teen Club functions (mainly fund-raising). There are many ways to earn points, which run from 1 to 5 pt. blocks. Requirements have already been agreed upon, so we can start right away.

At the meeting there was an enthusiastic move to hold a dance this Sunday night, since the team comes back in time and there is no school Monday. Close to thirty people signed up to help, so they're already racking up points. Now we should start raising money right away, so the Teen Club members (those who signed up at the door at the meeting) pay 25¢, and all others, ages 13-19, will pay 50¢, and can sign up at the door with name, age, and phone number to register for Teen Club. We hope we can get a band on such short notice, but we ought to know soon; the word will spread for sure by Saturday.

Thereseems to be many people who are reallyrready to get this Teen Club started. We'll have another meeting Monday afternoon at 4:00 in the AYA Ballroom—the AYA will be closed to everyone but those coming for this meeting. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend—you don't know what you're missing.

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power neither granted nor denied
in the constitution, and form a
personal cabinet, preferably consisting of the Executive Council
and a few students who are not
members of the Co-operative.
This would give the chairman a
broader view of what is going on
and a little outside advice on
various matters.

The constitution, as I said, seems entirely adequate to me, and should provide for a good Student Co-operative if properly used.

I hope it is.

Tim Head



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