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Nazis Kept on the Alert



Guerilla warfare is admittedly a thorn in the side of Germany's invading army. Top photo shows German troops in a village watching the windows of the houses in an effort to catch snipers. At bottom, German troops have dropped to the side of the road to flank an enemy patrol after learning the patrol was headed towards them.

The Spectator

Well, here we are guys and gals. The proverbial snooper of last year's fame has again honored our honorable school with her or his most glorious presence. The fellow, The Spectator, has a pretty good character after all and is quite honorable in spite of all the abusing remarks from his irate victims. He challenges you to be a swell sport and take it on the chin, or shin; where he hits you just grin and bear it. It won't do any good to try and find him, as he is quite unavailable at all times. We don't want anyone to feel hurt about anything that goes in this column, so here we launch Spectator's first brainstorm and may we be seeing you, soon.

Yeh, everybody knows Jo Ann as Roberts, or should, the cute little Junior with the smile and the personality to match. And another one of the adorables this year... Barbara McKeever, the Tivy girls will really have the competition now. Billy Stacy thinks he is slipping with Frances Real, but confidentially, ally he seems to have his eye on Jo Ann too. Jim Tom and Barbara starting the season early dating... who? Wee-ell, if you must know, the Kavdets. And from all reports

ny R. Harris, Tom Heard, and Eurby are causing some female's heart to throb. A certain boy is just nuts about Miriam; one look at her and who wouldn't? Good luck to Gaines, Billy S., Pickens, and Claiborn and others who are trying out for cheer leader.

FIRST ASSEMBLY

The first assembly of the school year, held on September 12, opened with the introduction of new students and new faculty members. Cleve Wheelus, accompanied by Mrs. Bennett, contributed to the program by singing "Homing." His song was enjoyed by all students who hope to hear him sing again in the near future.

Mr. Moore cordially welcomed approximately 75 new students to Tivy and presented the problems of study during the world crisis. The student body joined in singing "The Eyes of Texas," which concluded the program.

NYA IN PROGRESS

The NYA is now effectively in progress. All applications for jobs are filled and everyone is hard at work. These students who are working in the cafeteria, the office, in the upkeep of the building, are all doing a great thing, whether anybody knows it or not. They are sharing school responsibilities, they are learning to accept work as a

Girl's Lemonade Stand Gives Hot Tip on Paralysis

CHICAGO—Because a little girl kept a lemonade stand in suburban Western Springs and four of her playmates came down with infantile paralysis, scientists have struck the hottest trail of the deadly disease virus in the history of epidemiology.

Dr. Edward A. Piszczek, Cook County health director, announced the discovery of seven healthy carriers of the poliomyelitis virus—well persons who harbor the virus with the ability to infect others.

So little is known about the cause and control of polio that Piszczek and his laboratory staff are pressing the search with the ardor of scientists on the verge of important discoveries. A grant of \$4,000 from the national foundation for infantile paralysis, which disburses funds from the president's birthday balls, has been virtually exhausted. One hundred and twenty monkeys have been utilized and additional hundreds have been ordered.

"Experiments at Yale University two years ago established that healthy persons may be poliomyelitis carriers," Dr. Piszczek said, "but this is the first time the carriers have been located so quickly."

"Speed is essential in checking an epidemic." He explained that the Western Springs investigation was the first time in which it was possible, because of the small size of the community, to examine everyone who came in contact with the little lemonade vendor.

That she was the prime source was established early in the investigation. One hot afternoon in July she did a lively business in front of her home. What did it matter if, as the day wore on, the glasses weren't rinsed after every using? The customers weren't fussy and kept plunking down their pennies just the same.

Then she and four customers came down with the disease. It was its first appearance in the community this season.

Doctors pounced on the case as an opportunity to establish important new facts in the long discouraging battle against polio. Here was the evident source of a small epidemic. Her contacts and those of her playmates could be traced with comparative ease.

The reports of Western Springs doctors immediately attracted the attention of Dr. Piszczek. He sought and obtained the grant from the infantile paralysis fund. Dozens of tiny rhesus monkeys were brought to the Cook County laboratory and tested with injections from the known victims and suspects from the suburb.

Three members of the families of the five polio cases and four apparently healthy playmates were found to be carrying the virus. The four had played with the five who became ill.

"One of the chief immediate aims

of our research," the doctor said, "is to learn how little contact spreads the disease and how long the carrier harbors the virus." / Those accomplishments would make the lemonade stand in Western Springs a historic landmark in man's fight against poliomyelitis.



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