# LOBO NEWS BASIC HICH SCHOOL 

# Mount Charleston Scene of Senior Ditch Day 

## FRESHMEN CLASS PRESENTS ASSEMBLY

On February 26, 1954, the freshmen class presented their assembly to the student body, under the direction of Mr. Robert Lunt, freshmen class sponsor.

Russell Williams, master of ceremonies, introduced the first act which was a radio jumble. Those taking part were Rayburn Hadden, Margaret Sendlein, Janet McCormick, Robert Block, Pat Kennan, Bartis Nordalh, Larry Coleman, and Tom Woods.

Next a comic reading, "Fat Gir1 Story", was given by Ermą Allison and acted out by Hattie Cannon and Harry Duty.
Anita Watson and Isabel Talbot harmonized on "Seven Lonely Days."
A skit-written, produced, and dramatized by Jack Pherigo, featured Jack Pherigo and his pet flea, Herman.
The bar-room scene came next. John A. Dooley Studio presenting a wild west movie, complete with bartender, rough characters, dance hall girls, sheriff, hero, and heroine. The cast included Dorean Starr, David Butt, Joe Bills, Joleen Bersten, Gail Mainor, Nancy Watts, and Rupert Sendlein.
To conclude the program, David Butt played and sang "You Are My Sunshine," "My Little Red Wagon," "Honkey Tonk Angeles", and "Your Cheating Heart."

## Sophs Make Pledge

A pledge of one-hundred dollars was made by the sophomore class February 25 toward the new recreation center for Basic.
A special meeting of the sophomore class terminated with onehundred dollars pledged, two more student council representatives, Sherry McBeath and Bart Meredith; and a committee chosen by President John Millick to make arrangements for the Junior class carnival in which the sophomore class will receive a share in the profits. This committee is headed by Jim Miller, with members Frank Porter, Ray Martinez, Evelyn Royster, and Betty Edmondson.

## Junior Plav Casi Chosen

"Hangman's Noose" has been selected for the junior class play. It will be directed by Mr. John Beatty. The cast consists of ten characters. They are as follows: Shirley Dunn-Martha, the maid, a very mysterious woman, suspected of killing her husband; John Stlaey-Oliver Keep, the lawyer; Alyce Helmboldt-Caroline Keating, a sophisticated woman of the world; Lorna Keating - a middle-aged gossipy woman; Sheila Brancfield-Ella Norris, a scatterbrained school teacher; Sandra Mathewson-Polly Morre and Phillip Hicks-Gareth Keating; provide the romance; Dwain Smith-Henry Gordon, a man of the world and Barton McMillenPhil Lassiter. Student directors are Sandra Smith and Darla Haverberg.

## Freshman Reigns As Sweetheart Queen

Margaret Sendlein, a freshman was crowned queen of the Future Homemakers of America annual Sweetheart Dance held Fibruary 13.

Miss Sendlein was chosen by the high school student body February 12 , her identity was not disclosed until the dance was well underway. The queen was presented a beautiful bouquet of American Beauty Roses by the Principal, John A. Dolley.
Attendants were Gloria Wade and Eloise Lamoreau, both sophomores. They, also, were presented a corsage of American Beauty Roses.
Queen Margaret was escorted by Bernard Cannon. Her attendants Eloise Lamoreax, was escorted by Randy Hedges, and Gloria Wade by Dallen Williams.
Miss Sendlein was chosen for her outstanding personality, although she has a goodly share of beauty.
Refreshments were served on colorfully decorated tables by Anita Dawson and Jeanette Still

## Basic Septette Gains Popularity

Members of the Basic high school sepette are Ramona Church, Florence Prince, Shirley Cannon, Margie Mainor, Shirlee Banks, Nance Dill, and Darlene Huffman, were first organized in 1952. They have sung at various assemblies, parties, and club conferences. The latest of which was at the Silver Slipper Ball Room at Hotel Last frontier, February 16 during the National Rotary Club Convertion. There they sang for some one thousand Rotary club menbers from all over the world, and were accepted with great enthusiasm and received many letters of praise and commendatich.

They sang. "Down by the Riverside," "I\% Never Satisfied," and "Somebody Loves Me."
They wer awarded Stetsons in honor of their performance.
They entertained the seniors at Charleston Lodge on ditch-day, and entertiined Saturday, February 27 out at Nellis Air-Base.

## Basic Student Wins Art Contest

Las Vesas' Chapter of B'Nai B'rith Lodge sponsored a statewide poster contest for Brotherhood Week.
There was one all-state prize, a $\$ 50$ sayings bond; which went to Patsy Pool. Second prize; a Parker pen and pencil set was awarded to Frank Porter.
The idea of National Brotherhood Week is to show tolerance toward all people without any prejudice.
Basic fwas complimented on the large number of top quality posters entered.
At one of the assemblies in the near future, Basic will receive a rotating trophy for taking first place in the state:
man. Tickets were sold by Shirley Gilpin and Loretta Foster.
Me mbers of the entire student body were present to particpiate in daricing to the music of Vaugh Harris' Band.

Don't touch me! Quit! Don't hit me on the back, egghead! Careful there.

If you have been around school during the last few days, you have noticed all the Seniors limping and groaning, there is one ex-planation-"Senior Ditch Day."
Oh, the memories, mighty seniors of Basic high school will never forgot. Among the unforgetable sights which brightened the day were: Mrs. May Carpenter coming down the hill, dragging her feet trying to stop the onrushing sled, which was only about one-tenth her size. Her efforts were to no avail, so the next time we saw Mrs. Carpenter, she was covered from head to toe with bruises.
Oh yes, let's not leave out the valiant exploits of Mr. John Tartan. He made his bid for fame by going off the ski jump on a toboggan, as he sped out of sight down the mountain, you cquld hear call, "Oh Lord, please stop this thing!'
Our hero of the day was Andy Hanson, who exhibited the fine art of sleighing down the hill backwards, when he hit a bump, namely Ramona Church, the sled sped on into the distance, while Andy, the fine showman that he is, continued on alone.
One of the most persistant idiots of the sleighing presentation was Kim Lawson, who went down (Continued on Page 4)

## MUSICAL GIVEN BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

"You Can't Beat Fun" sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce was given on February and 26 in the old high school auditorium. All proceeds go to the new Youth Center.
The musical was under the direction of Maxine Wright.
During the wedding scene Maurine Jackson played the bride, Shirley Walker, the groom; preacher, Dixie Tomlinson; maid of honor, Gloria Martinez, and best man, Anne Russell.
In the Bell Hop Chorus were: Donna Bogut, Gayle Scott, Shirley Walker, Anne Russell, Dixie Tomlinson, and Pat Reilly.

## Hollywood Invades Basie!! <br> \author{ By Sheila Brancfield 

}Has our patient principal gone Hollywood? A few weeks ago Mr. John Dooley was seen hiding behind dark glasses. And do you know what was behind those glasses? Yep-his eyes-but that isn't all. Those two eyes were very bloodshot.
(Shame on you! No loyal student would think such things of our principal!)

No, you were wrong. It seems that the glare coming through those modern picture windows hurt Mr. Dooley's sensitive eyes. So now the office is adorned with curtains designed to keep out the sun. At least that is the official reason. But we heard a rumor that the curtains were a blessing, because now Mr. Dooley didn't have to watch the students trampling back and forth.

## Human Relations Class Make Survey

The desirable traits is members of the opposite sex were enumerated by the members of Mrs. Marjorie Peck's Human Relations class in a recent survey. The girls chose:

1. Good moral standards.
2. Keeping confidences.
3. Mannerly.
4. Cheerfulness.
5. Friendliness.
6. Honesty.
7. Good grooming.
8. Cleanliness.
9. Kindness.
10. Good conversationalist.

The boys chose:

1. Sincere affection.
2. Well groomed.
3. Good looking.
4. Dependability.
5. Thoughtfullness.
6. Up to date on sports, daneing.
7. Conversationlist
8. Social poise.
9. Truthfulness.
10. Cheerfulness

Members of the fourth period class are: Kaye Davis, George Ann Carlow, Marjorie Mainor, Dallon Williams, Don Williams, Grant Swanson, Dennis Shearin, Jack Norris, Gary Vanhorne, and Ray Cureton.

## DOGS!

By Mary O'Brien
Some of my best friends are puppy dogs. They really are sweet and cute-"it's so nice to have a dog around the house." It sure is, but one place, I don't think they mix so well is at school.
In the madscramble for classes the other day, some pooch asked me, "Education, ain't that good?" So let's leave the mutts home to guard the abode!

## F.H.A.

On february 24 , at $6: 30$ p.m. the FHIA held a combined meeting afnd potluck supper at the Home Economics cottage.
Dyaring the meeting Mrs. Marjorie. Peck, club co-advisor, discussed different degrees. As one year members you are able to apply for a junir degree. Second and third year members apply for chapter and home-maker degrees, respectively.

Jeanette Stillman was elected to fill the vice-presidency, and also named chairman of program committee.
On April 5 at Overton, Nevada, the Spring Round-Up will be held. Girls from all over Clark County will participate. In order to attend the Round-Up, FHA girls must go to all meetings.

FHA girls are planning to wash cars for seventy-five cents per car all day Saturday, Farch 6 at Gene Baird's Union
tion and Jim Gates' Uni GOil Station. Money from this $w$ ject will go toward the youth conter.
During the lunch hour and after school FHA is selling milk and ice cream. Also for an added project to help the youth center they sold packaged lunches Friday, February 26.

## LATIN CLUB

"Esse quam videri" was the motto chosen by the Latin club at their last meeting, Monday 15. The English translation is "To be rather than seem to be."
Also at the meeting, slides were shown, and refreshments of cake and punch, furnished by the members, were served.

## Spanish Club

Ways to raise money for the Youth Recreation Center were discussed at the Spanish club meeting, February 23.

A Spanish dinner was decided upon and committees were appointed.
Slides of ruins, land-scapes, and volcanoes of Old Mexico, were shown.

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## Car Club

New officers elected for a six month's term, February 18 meeting of the Charioteers are: Ronnie Nelson, president; Leon Isom, vice-president, Rodney Blue, secretary; and Jim Fox, treasurer.

On Tuesday, February 23, an obstacle race was run from Henderson to Boulder City; the return being made via Lake Mead. In order to qualify for a prize, the driver must collect the winning hand of cards from those deposited along the course. This was complicated by having to stop every seven miles at the sign of a large " X ", and an arrow on the highway. At each stop an envelope containing a playing card was taken from a box hidden behind a rock or bush.

First, second and third places for the highest hands were won by James McCain, Neil Peckhman, and Ted Byrd, respectively. First prize was a car wash and oil change, and a full tank of gas Second prize was five dollar/s worth of gas. Third prize was a wash job and an oil change.

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## LECTURE GIVEN

One of series of lectures on office training was given by Mr. John A. Dooley to the office girls on February 3.

Desirable characteristics, as outlined by Mr. Dooley for the office personnel are: Neat appearance; keeping clean office; courtesy and accuracy.

There will be a buzzer system between Mr. Dooley's office and the outer office. This will have some up's and down's.

Mr. Dooley hopes to have more phones, too, so that people may call the office directly.

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Ditch Day
(Continued from page 1) the sleigh-run fifty times and fell off forty-nine of them.
Two of our brave female performers got together and ganged up on Virgil Weese, they pursued him down the mountain until at long last they managed to guide their sled into him, and wrap him around a tree. These courages souls were Shirley Banks and Nance Dill.
The great Ice Skaters which Basic high school had were: Jack Johnson, Shirley Cannon, Darleen Huffman, Mary O'Brien, Gertrude Block, Sharon Berry, Elsa Albrechtsen, and last but not least our "star" Norman Walker.
When everyone was sufficiently injured, they got together in the lodge in front of the fireplace, where the great talent of the class was exhibited. Performing for the group of exhausted Eskimos were: Ramona Church and Darlene Huffman as soloists, and of course our own little Basic high school septette.

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## Swing Willies

"Swing Willies" are low an organized group consisting of seven members.
The band leader, Gerald Yates plays clarinet; Maurine Jackson piano; Sherry McBeath, drums; Shirley Walker, saxophone; Tony Bastanchury and Phil Hicks, cor net; and Paul Hicks, trombone.
This swing band is practicing Monday evenings on such numbers as "Sundown", "You Were Meant For Me," "Side by Side," Honey Suckle Rose" and others
The job of raising the high school band's quota for the Recreation Center has been given to the Swing Willies. They plan to sponsor et dance to raise the funds.
A swing band of Basic high has been a tradition for years, and this year the Swing Willies have set their goal toward making it one of the best.

## Lan Being Cleared <br> ling work was begun three ago to ready the ground for onstruction of the new gym, football field, and shop. The grading and construction is being done by the Ben Davey Construction Company of Las Vegas. on or about, September 15, 1954, the new buildings will be ready for use.

## Mrs. Peck's <br> Class Has Guest

Mr. Frank Plasha, assistant personnel director of Titanium metals spoke to Mrs. Peck's third and fourth period family relations classes.
Mr. Plasha very willingly answered all of the questions pertaining to employment and stated that, ability was not the most important qualification when looking for a job. He informed the classes that the ability to get along with the people you work with is far more important than ability.

Some of the qualifications for a job are speaking in a well modulated voice, neatness, attentiveness, relaxed, ability, and being pleasant.

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Basic high school's band and chorus are anxiously waiting the completion of the new gymnasium, for then they will hold their classes in this building.
The music rooms will fit all the needs of band and chorus. It includes the main music office; a music library, which holds the records, music and books of the band and chorus. Also there will be a room for the boys' instruments and uniform storage, and one for the girls. They will have individual lockers in these rooms.
Practice rooms will be provided. The complete band and chorus will practice on the stage in the gym.
Risers are planned to be set up in the stage to aid the musicians.
G.A.A.

In the recent G.A.A. basketball tournament, the seniors took first place; sophomores, second; juniors, third; and freshman, fourth place.

Scores were as follows: first game, seniors vs. juniors, 16-4; sophomores vs. freshman, 14-4. In the second game, seniors vs. sopohmores, 33-3; juniors vs. freshmen, 18-6.

## Exchanges

Here are some of the interesting items which were taken from the exchange paper which are posted on the bulletin board in room nine.
In the CHATTER BOX from Iowa, they have a story called "Rats Invade School." This story tells about a nutrition experiment which they have been trying with white rats. They are divided into groups and each group gives its rats a different kind of a meal.
In the LION'S ROAR from Lockhart, Texas, they tell how each of the classes are choosing favorite guys and gals.
The students of the journalism class of the Centralian from Kansas City, Kansas, have brought a new Polaroid camera which takes and develops the pictures.
The AH LA HA SA from Albert Lea, Minnesota tells about their German exchange teacher, Miss Ruth Privat.
In the BREEZE from Santa Maria, California we see this cute article entitled "So You Want to be an Editor." It tells all about the troubles you have when you are an editor.

## SHOP NEWS

Machine shop students are painting the new batting box and getting it ready for wiring. It will be used by the baseball team for batting practice and games. In addition to regular work the two classes are painting a few of the shop lathes.
Woodshop classes are making storage boxes for baseball equipment, and stools for each room in the hig school, along with their assigned projects.

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## Basic Squeezes By White Pine

Basic fighting Wolves were out to keep their slate clean, having not lost a game on their home court, and were out to get the jump on the White Pine Bobcast.

The game started fast with Ely going for the first basket with their big center Cooper making a jump shot from the side, but Basic's Norm Craft evened it up with a lay-up. The first three quarters sway back and forth with both teams staying within easy margin of each other.

Not until the last of the fourth quarter did the Wolves get the commanding lead and then only with four points, but the Ely quintet wasn't to be discouraged that easily. They came back strong and with only 35 seconds left the score was $58-57$ with Ely having the nod, but like a miracle Basic's Doug Lottridge made a tip-in and the Wolves were able to control the Bobcats efforts for the remaining few seconds.

The final score was Basic, 59 and White Pine, 58. Norman Craft was high for Basic with 14 counters. Pavalakist and Cooper was high for Ely with 16 a piece.

## Lottridge Paces Wolves to Victory

High point honors go to Doug Lottridge who led the Wolf Pack to its first win after several losses with 40 of Basic's 78-37 tally over Bunkerville.
The win was not a coincidence, because it concluded a week of hard and extensive drills led by Coach Lunt, who is trying to snap the team into the winner's belt before the Southern zone tournament.
Basic's ppening game in which our Junior Varsity defeated the Bunkerville J. V. 46 to 42 in a very stirring game in which the subs who were hot for the game played all but the opening minutes of the game.
Joe Dancer led the Pack with 11 points.

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## Interclass Meet March 10

An interclass track meet will be held on the old athletic field, March 10. The Lettermen will donate a trophy, which is to be awarded yearly to the winning class.
Coach Gus Braun states that all events will begi nat 1 p.m. Elimievents will begin at 1 p.m. Elimione and two o'cclock.
Events and contestants are as follows: 100 yard dash - Kim Lawson, Rayfield Cureton, and Richard Weider, seniors; and Norman Craft, junior.
" 220 " entrants are Richard Weider, Norman Craft, Bob Barker, sophomore; and Bill McBride, Freshman.
" 440 " runners are Rodney Blue, junior; Dave Anderson, and Arthur Kester, sophomores; and Bob Barker.
" 880 " contestants are Cliff Stafford, Bruce Meeks, and Jim Swanson, juniors; and Scott Parsons, sophomore.

High jump entries include Kim Lawson and Rayfield Cureton, Bob Bordwell, sophomore, and Harry Duty, freshman.

Low hurdle competitors are: Kim Lawson and Richard Weider; Kendall Barnum, junior; Frank Porter and Dan Hill, sophomores.

## Basic Ends Successful Season

With thirteen wins and seven losses, Basic's basketball squad, coached by Mr. Robert Lunt, brought their season to a close February 28.

Detailed data on wins, losses and players in next issue.

Viroil Weese, Frank Porter Arthur Kester, and Dan Hill, will try the high hurdles.

Grant Swanson, senior; John Korthius, junior; Don Horniack, sophomore; and Harry Duty, will run the mile.
Entries for the pole-vault are: Kim Lawson and Richard Weider; Jim Swanson; and Joe Dancer, sophomore.

Eddie Johnson and Dwain Smith, juniors; L. C. Bolden and Fred Nye, sophomores; and Bernard Cannon, freshman, will compete in the discus throw.
In the broad jump Virgil Weese, Bernard Fumagalli, Bob Bordwell, and Bill McBride, freshman, are the entries.

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