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From The Art Corner

Lowrey is beginning to take on the air of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The halls are covered with the reproductions of famous paint ings and now there is a show of student sculpture in the showcase near room 115.

The pacesetter of the show is an assemblage by Don Wilbur, 12A, but more about that later. The entire show is based on a study of na tural forms, objects from nature utilized sculpturally with minor alterations, and the use of found objects. The found objects, referred to in some quarters as junk sculpture, are, when assembled, referred to as constructions. Don Blum, 10A, sculptured a free form from a piece of light wood and added a bit of character by charring the interior. Imagination runs high in the show as is shown by Carole Lake's (10A) construction of wire and bottle caps. A very forceful contribution was de signed by Lee Harris, 12A. Harris' work consists of pieces of sheet metal placed at related planes. A bright spot in the show is an abstract "Statue of Liberty" by Ed Byrd, 11A, constructed of wood and plaster. The natural beauty of wood was emphasized in the simple sculptures of Rick Ish and Tom Goike, both 10A, and Eric Feldt, 12A. Wood mounted on wood, rare in the collection, was the idea used by Dave Geisha, 12A, in his sculpture. Glass, another rarity, was used in a very delicate and feminine construction by Linda Handzel, 10A. Mike Kay, 11A, brought sheet metal into prominence in his sculpture. Mike, using sheet brass, twists and turns it around a sphere dangling on a delicate silver chain. A different kind of chain dominates the work of Sandy Coulson, 12A. A heavy link chain twists around rusty metal seemingly symbolizes the destruction by nature. The contributions of Rick Katuzin and Tim Yeager, both 11A, gave a kind of weird light to the show. Yeager used a porous wood painted black on a sculptured base to create a feeling of loneliness. One of the largest constructions is Katuzin's work consisting of silver tubing and wire slightly bent to give it a flowing, outerspace quality.

The most realistic piece in the show is a large model of a marathon runner done in copper by Jerry Jurzec, 12A.

The real highlight of the display is an exciting assemblage by the aforementioned Don Wilbur. This young artist, through his use of discarded hand tools, a wheel and metal scraps, has produced a humorous social commentary on auto-



Mark McFarlane, 11A



David Dobrotka, 11A

Band Members Set For Interlochen

Two Lowrey band students have been chosen to go to Interlochen. They are Mark McFarlane, 11A, and David Dobrotka, 11A.

They were chosen on their ability to play solos at a contest or in competition. They both also study privately with an instructor.

When asked how he felt about receiving this honor, Mark replied, "It is a great honor to be chosen to go to Interlochen, and I hope to gain a lot of valuable knowledge from this experience. I wish that the school could obtain more scholarships, so more students could go to Interlochen."

Dave said he was very surprised and pleased that he had been chosen and that he was looking forward to the trip. He sair he is sure that it will be an experience that he will never forget.

Progress On School Play

Rehearsals are progressing nicely for the three-act comedy, "Paint the Town Pink," which will be presented on March 25 and 26 by the Lowrey Thespians. The cast is working hard on lines, movement, and character analysis, earnestly trying to make the play one of the best spring plays ever presented at Lowrey.

Most of the cast members have never been on a high school stage before, yet from the promising rehearsals this does not appear to be detrimental.

Mr. Irwin's play production classes desigend and constructed the set which according to Mr. Irwin, "utilizes an excellent color combination and method of design."

According to Mr. Irwin, "These students have worked hard, and I am very proud of this team effort. The time and energy spent by everyone is sure to bring about rewarding results. I encourage the entire student body to see "Paint the Town Pink."

* See page 3 for pictures.

mation.

The descriptions offered here are quite inadequate. Everyone is encouraged to see the show. It is great.

Senior Attends Economic Club

Ron Wright, 12A-11, attended a lecture at the Detroit Economic Club, Monday, March 9, 1964. Ron was selected through his affiliation with Junior Achievement. He is president of his company, Tri-R-Products, which is one of the top ten companies in sales in Dearborn's Telegraph JA center. Ron's host was Mr. C. P. Cunningham, Plant Manpany.

The topic of the luncheon was, "The Economics of People", and the speaker was Mr. David J. McDonald, president of the United Steel workers of America. The luncheon took place at Cobo Hall in downtown Detroit.

Before lunch, the boys representing each of the ten companies got to interview Mr. McDonald and also Walter Reuther, head of the U. A. W. Ron had this to say about his experience: "I feel it was a great honor to be selected as one of the ten representatives. It was fun attending the meeting of all the top business men of the Detroit and surrounding areas."

Editor = Observations

by Kitty Erway

In the past, observations have been a part of Dearborn; Dearborn, a part of Michigan, and Michigan in turn, is a part of the United States. Therefore it may be said that when obseving the United States, Lowier is included in the United States of America. A martyred country. No other nation in the world does so much to preserve and maintain universal peace. Such organization as the United Nations, the Peace Corps, CARE, and Foster Parents Plan are evidence that the United States has but one ultimate goal: world peace.

Each year, millions of American dollars are given to foreign countries to aid in their fight against poverty, communism, dictatorship and deteriation. Thousands of American people have devoted their lives to helping the underprivileged in foreign countries with disregard for the ever-present extreme discomforts

Do not undermine your country; instead be proud that you are a part of such a dedicated country; the United States of America.

Future Nurses Aid Crash Victim

The Future Nurses sent the profits of the carnations sale on Valentine's Day to Mr. Sam McDonald a music teacher at Dundee School.

Mr. McDonald was on his way to school January 31, 1964, when his car hit a patch of ice on the freeway and smashed into an overpass abutment. He was almost crushed to death. "Facial bones were so crushed a tube had to be inserted in his throat so that he could breathe. His pelvis was fractured, so were his left hip and thigh. Both bones in his lower right leg were broken and his right foot smashed. There were internal injuries, too." (The Detroit Free Press)

When the Future Nurses heard of the accident, they were willing to lend a hand. \$23.00 was sent to Veterans' Hospital where Mr. Mc-Donald is at the present time.

The doctors say that it will be at least three or four months before Mr. Mc Donald will be able to get around. The Lowrey Light will try to keep informed on his condition.

Next Tuesday the guest speaker of the Future Nurses will explain about the three year nursing course. Anyone interested can go.

More News On Careers

Is Engineering Your Field?

The purpose of this series of articles on careers is to give you information about different professions you might want to enter when you finish your education.

Today's column is about engineers and scientists. Both are dealing with some laws of nature; mathematics, physics, and chemistry. Both must have clear minds and both must have a high command of the Eng lish language.

The scientist is ever concerned with expanding man's knowledge of nature's laws. The engineer is charged with the application of these to benefit mankind. There are more jobs for scientists and engineers than there are qualified men to fill them. No one can foretell the future, but as long as there is progress there will be a continue demands in these fields.

Should I be an Engineer?

Engineers design, plan and supervise production and manage operations. In the fullest sense they build and produce, employing in the process technicians and craftsmen. Engineers create and build by meeting the challenge of new problems, engineers keep our technical progress advancing. If you have more than average intelligence, ambition, ability to get a college education and a desire for a career in engineering, you have the qualifications for the life's vocation which will reward you materially. Engineering is a splendid training for anyone with administrative ability. From 40 to 50% of today's executives in industry are engineers. There are many branches of engineers, Cival, Mining, Metallurgy, Petroleum Engineers, Mechanical Engineers, Electrical Engineers, and Chemical Engineers.

What About Science?

Maybe you feel that science rather than engineering, is more in your field. The scientist evolves and tests ideas. He has a number of different ways of looking at things and of examining them over and over again. The basic sciences most closely related to engineering are physics, chemistry and mathematics. Scientists trained in these subjects may work with engineers or be drawn into engineering as a field. You certainly do not need to worry now about which branch of science to follow. After the first two years of college or university you will have a much better idea of what you want to do. In this field you need common sense, integrity, hard work, patience, devotion, a strong sense of curiosity, and an excellent brain. You will have to like studying because your life will include much studying, reading, and writing.

Easter is on its Way!

Here is a brief article describing some of the customs of the Easter season. Easter was first observed by the early Christians as a type of thanksgiving in commemoration of the Resurrection, which lasted eight days. This conformed somewhat to the length of time devoted by the pagans in their spring festivals. The eight day period was finally cut down to one day.

New England was the last section of the United States to adopt the observation of Easter because the settlers of Puritan Massachusetts did not observe Easter.

The name Easter comes from the Anglo-Saxon word Eastre, a goddess of light and spring. In England and Ireland Easter Monday is also a holiday.

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday, which is the Friday before Easter, is one of the most sacred of the religious holidays to the Christian Churches. It is observed because of Christ's Crucifixion.

Good Friday is observed in most Christian Churches by three hour services from 12 o'clock to 3 o'clock.

EASTER EGGS

The custom of coloring Easter eggs is thought to have come from the Persians, the eggs being symbolic of new life. Eggs which are colored red are said to symbolize the blood of redemption. Other colors have no special significance.

EASTER LILIES

The Easter lily is a fragrant trumpet-shaped flower of waxy whiteness. Until early in the 19th century, the Madonna lily of Southern Europe was used by the American florists for the Easter flower but the time at which it bloomed was uncertain and the blossoms usually did not appear until several weeks after Easter. Another species of lily was found which is grown in China, Japan, and Bermuda, and can be grown in greenhouses so that they will bloom in time for Easter.

Guess Who?

Can you guess who? This cutie is from District No. 2 and one of her favorite hobbies is art. She is a senior who is often seen jumping around in the halls of Lowrey.



Safety With —

Safety Belts

The need for seat belts was realized as far back as 1922 when the first "commercial" belt was produced on special order for famed auto racer Barneye Oldfield. Current findings of the National Safety Council show that a yearly average of 40,000 Americans, the majority of whom are automobile passengers, lose their lives in traffic accidents. Of these, at least 5000 could have been saved through the use of seat belts. Of course, the belts cannot prevent accidents—only safe driving can do this-but they can avert serious injury or death. Today, safety belts are widely used by the U.S. Government, local law enforcement agencies, trucking firms, and safety-conscious members of the general public. Seat belts have been referred to as "ready-to-wear" life insurance. How much coverage do you have?

Honor Society

Lowrey has applied to the National Honor Society for membership The Honors Committee of the student Council, headed by Linda Wilkinson 11A-11,has been working on this since September.

The National Honor Society is a nationally recognized organization whose purpose is to honor the student who has maintained a B average and performs some service to the school.

Lost and Found Department

Listed below are some of the articles that have been turned into the Lost and Found in the attendence office.

- 1 Lowrey sweat shirt (never been used)
- l shorthand notebook
- l copy of "Paint the Town Pink"
- 1 black appointment book
- book tittled "Leading Upon The Mountain" by Barbara Jergenses.
- 1 pair of girl's glasses with white trim in a pink case
- 1 pair of boy's brown trim glasses in a charcoal gray case
- l pair of pearl-trimmed girl's glasses
- l red and gold glass case
- l pink glass case with gold leaf design

There are a number of locks too. If you are missing a lock you may go down to the office and try your combination until you find the right lock.

If you are the owner of any of these articles, go down to the attendance office to claim them.

Paper Drive Big.... Success

Last Saturday on March 14, the Junior Class had a paper drive. The juniors started at 12:45 and by 4:30 the truck was full. Near the end of the drive the class officers had a major problem. The drive was so successful that an over-the-quota number was reached and there wasn't adequate space to house all of the accumulated papers and magazines.

A large number of juniors who participated in the paper drive, had access to cars. This factor made it possible for the paper drive to be the largest money-making project yet for the Junior Class.

Benjamin Franklin said, "He that falls in love with himself will have no rivals."

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Latin Club

Members of the second hour Latin class defeated the sixth hour class by a score of 39-17 in a Latin baseball game played at the Latin Club meeting held on Tuesday, February 25.

The group is divided into two teams. Besides the batters, there is a pitcher and a catcher. The pitcher says a Latin word and the batter and catcher compete to state its English equivalent. If the batter wins, he progresses to first base and if the catcher wins, the batter is out.

There were five home runs, two for the sixth hour and three for the second hour.

The homers for the sixth hour were made by Sue Dworakowski and Ray Berry.

Sharon Cayley, Myrna Miller, and Mike Horvath scored the homers for the second hour.

Pitchers were Mark MacFarlane, Betty McKee, and Donna Daley.

Refreshments were brought by Myrna Miller and Margaret Kleiber.

The sixth hour is planning to challenge the second hour to a return game.

New Program

Under the direction of the Board of Education, Lowrey is the first high school in Dearborn's public school system to start the new annual promotion program. Classes are being planned on a full year basis instead of the half year.

Counselors are now in the process of preparing, with students in the tenth and eleventh grades, their fall and winter semester schedules for 1964-65. In September Lowrey will enroll approximately 325 tenth grade students from District 7. Students selection of classes have to be completed by April 15 according to Mr. Koster, counselor.

9A's Visit Fordson

Lowrey's 9A's visited Fordson High School on Wednesday, March 2. Buses were provided to take the students to and from the school.

The 9A's visited Fordson so that they could become accustomed to the school which they will be attending for Senior High. It has been a regular practice for graduating 9A's to visit Fordson to learn their way around, find what facilities are available to them, and to learn and discuss Fordson's rules and regulations.

When the 9A's arrived at Fordson, they were greeted by Mr. Dorman Ardis, principal, and Mr. Harvey Failor, assistant principal. They were then taken on a guided tour of the building, met the counselors, and then returned to the auditorium where they were given a short assembly by the Fordson Concert Choir.

Upon returning to school the 9A's were very impressed, and are looking forward to going to their new school.



Shown above are five cast members of "Paint the Town Pink." From left to right they are: Jan Ting as Mr. Clark, Anita Day as Sally Renwick, John Ruggierio as Mr. Kilkenson, Jan Wismuller as Rem Tyler, and Rozlyn Reece as Christy Smith.

Cadet Program Carried On

A Cadet Teaching program has been set up again this year by the Future Teachers.

Cadet Teaching is done by any of the Senior or Junior Future Teacher members who are interested and can find time in their schedules.

Their duties consist of grading papers, putting up bulletin board, assisting students and occasionally taking charge of the class if the teacher has to leave the room.

This year Lowrey has seven Cadet Teachers. They and the teachers they are helping are:

Alice Satoh, 12A-9, Mrs. Donahey Betty McKee, 12A-6, Mrs.Balloid Phyllis Wilkenson, 12A-11, Miss McLean Pat Moore, 12A-7, Mrs. Cole Jeanne Laverdier, 12A-5, Miss Sherlock Joan Houle, 11A-4, Mrs. Duren

All of the grils like cadet teaching, and it will give them experience Raymonde Egli, 12A-2, Mr. Boatwright in the field of teaching.

Concert Band

Lowrey's Senior High Concert Band, sponsored by Mr. Keranen, gave a thirty minute performance for the Dearborn Rotary Club at the Dearborn Inn on Thursday, March 19. The program started off with the Star Spangled Banner, followed by selections from Porgy and Bess, Syncopated Clock, Band Booster March, Beguine Festival, Malagaena, and ended with the singing and playing of America.

10 Ways To Catch a Boy

- 1. Learn what makes boys tick.
- 2. Act on your new knowledge of boys.
- 3. Take an interest in a boy's interest.
- 4. Be frank with femininity.
- 5. Know when to keep quiet.
- 6. Be considerate.7. Be a good sport.
- 8. Be interesting.
- 9. Have a point of view.
- 10. Let him lead, but DON'T be too far behind.

Letter Policy

The Lowrey Light invites its readers to comment on current issues concerning news about the school and its activities. All comments must be signed by the authors and typewritten. We reserve the right to edit all mat rial submitted.

Campaign Buttons

Campaign devices-banners,badgees, and especially buttons-are as old as campaigning itself in this country.

This year perhaps 100 million buttons, costing some \$1 million, will be distributed and presumably worn by Election Day. Why? "If a candidate really wants to pin down a vote, he's got to use a button." And the wearer? A leading psychologist has explained: "A button has a magical character, like an Indian warpaint." By wearing a campaign button, a person tries to rally his foes. It is also a fulfillment. A person who wears a big button is wishing harder than a person who wear a small one.

For the Boys

Chasing chicks is pleasant sport
For wolves of every size and sort
With foxy tricks and traps and
passes

Would-be suitors stalk the lasses. With raccoon trapping and Jaguar tools,

With slicked-black hair and red-black suit,

The dashing blades pursue the fair-But girls just want a guy to care! "A boy who's thoughtful," says the misses.

"Deserves the lion's share of kisses."
So look......

Before you leap to chasing. Check up on your social pacing.

Inquiring Reporter

This week's question is: "What are you going to do with your Easter Vacation"

Ed Anton, 12A-1: "Get as much coin as I can working."

Jim Costello, 12A-2: "Sleep!"

Dan Avelar, 10A-1: "Go to Fort Knox, Kentucky."

Sandy Gredel, 12A.4: "Go to Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and Anita's party."
Bob Sheer, 12A-9: "Visit Mr. Meredith in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio."

Karen Layden, 12A-5: "I'll work and do book reviews for Mr. Betzing."

Bill Locke, 11A-4: "Just sit around home."

Diane Gardner, 11A-4: "Sit home and catch up on my sleep."

Dyanne Gendron, 11A-4: "Sleep!" Mr. Fedoruk, "Going skiing in Laurentrian, Quebec, Canada. Looking forward to it."

Tim Cayley, 11A-2: "Sleep and work on my motorcycle."

Mike Casey, 11A-2: "Anything that comes up."

Darryl Csicsila, 11A-2: "Sleep!"

Kathy Wheeler, 10A 3: "Stay home."

Elaine Maliszewski, 11A-6: "Eat chocolate candy."

Jan Joanette, 11A-5: "Catch up on some long needed rest."

Joe Gary, 10A-4: "Stay home."

John Golden, 12A-4: "I am going to work on my English term paper for Mrs. Hoffenbacher."

Mrs. Goeing: "Do my spring house cleaning—last spring's that is."

Cliff Nealy, 11A-7: "Throw bricks at purple mice."

Greg Bangert, 11A-2: "Go out with Pat."

Pat Liberacki, 11A-6: "Eat Easter eggs."

Jim Williams, 11A-10: "Sit home and enjoy myself."

John Vincent 11A-10: "I'm ganna

John Vincent, 11A-10: "I'm gonna kill the Easter bunny."

Mr. Newton: "I am going to try to get my yard in shape and work on my flowers."

Opportunites In Science

The National Science Foundation in Washington D. C. offers to stndents that are interested in Science and those of you who are better than average in science, mathematics, and engineering, advanced opportunities in science. For futher information: Write to the National Science Foundation, Special Projects in Science Education Section, Washington 25, D. C., and ask for their booklet. This booklet consists of infermation on summer opportunities for science training-where, when, and what financial help you may be able to get.

Baseball, Tennis, Track Practice Begins

Spring Sports Are Here

Tennis Begins

Lowrey's Tennis team enters the Tri-River League this year.

Last year the tennis team had a record of eight wins and five losses. This year, however, the team is young and inexperienced. Seven sophomores are among the new try outs for the team.

Returning lettermen this year will be Danny Good who is acting captain and was voted most valuable player of the team, Larry Kubicz and Paul Ray. Expected to do well this year are John Halstead and Russ Wells.

Mr. Martin, the coach, said that Riverside would probably be the toughest competition. "Last year we lost the only match with them we had." Southgate also offers tough competition.

When asked what he thought the team's chances are, the coach said, "We have a fair chance and could do well if the team works hard and has a desire to win."

Sports Spotlight

In this issue of the Lowrey Light our Sport Spotlight is focused on Ron Takas, 11A-9. Ron is a resident of District 7 and plays third base on the Lowrey varsity baseball team. His favorite sports are baseball and hockey.

Ron's favorite subjects are math and Drafting, and he maintains a "B-" average. When Ron graduates he plans to attend Henry Ford Community College. When asked what he thought of the school spirit, he said "Because of the way the football team played this year, we have a lot more school spirit than last year."

When asked what his most exciting experience has been since he has been attending Lowrey, he said, "Getting my varsity letter in the tenth grade."

Classes Leaving

Three of Lowrey's special education groups will be transfered to Whitmore Bolls, when school is reopened on April 6, after Easter vacation. Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Nassar's deaf classes and Miss Thomas' nursery will no longer attend Lowrey.

For years these teachers have helped children to learn right from wrong, given them the understanding they need, and encouraged them to help themselves. They are very well trained, capable teachers who enjoy their work.



Intramural Sports

Last week Intramural sports began for Lowrey high school students for grades 7-12.

At the present time swimming is offered on Monday and Wednesdays after school from 3.45 to 5.00. So far there has been a large twinout of about 40 students.

When spring gets here the sponsors of the program, Mr. Gretzner and Mr. Fedoruk, will then allow the students to play basketball vollyball, and badminton. Right now it is impossible for the students to play in the gym because the spring sports are being held in the gym until warmer weather arrives.

Everyone is welcomed to come out for the intramurals. In swimming you will be allowed to play water polo, have swimming relays, and have free swimming time.

When Mr. Gretzner and Mr. Fedoruk get full possession of the gym they are planning on setting up different tournaments for each grade. They will then be able to have one day of swimming and one day in the gym. At the present time the girls occupy the gym on Tuandays and Thursdays and when their intramurals and the boys intramurals will have four days a week to have fun.

The boys that go out for these intramural sports are those who but still like to play different sports.

The coaches are well pleas d with the turnouts, and hope even do not play on the school teams more students will turnout.

The intramurals will last right through May, so you boys have plenty of time to join.

Playoff Lost By 55-60 Score

Lowrey's varsity basketball team was defeated by Dearborn on Tuesday, March 2, by the score of 60-55 in the high school district playoffs.

In the first quarter Dearborn jumped off to a 102 lead with Dearborn's star guard Chuck Reisner setting the pace.

The quarter ended with Dearborn leading by a score of 20-15. In the second quarter the Bears came back to maul the Pioneers with 13 points to their 5 to end the quarter 28-25 in Lowrey's favor.

In the third quarter it looked like a revised Pioneer team with them grabbing the lead 45-38. In the last quarter the Bears came back to outscore the Pioneers with strong rebounding by Jerry Wood and accurate shooting by Leron Paryaski and Doug Cole. The Bears came back to almost nip the Dearborn team, but the Pioneers froze the ball to the end to win the game 60-55.

The following was the breakdown in scoring for the Bears:

ring tot me bears.	
J. Wood	19
D. Cole	18
L. Paryaski	. 8
D. Bogataj	6
I. Garv	4

A good woman inspires a man; a brilliant woman interests him; a beautiful woman fascinates him, and a sympathetic woman gets him.

ANSWER TO GUESS WHO

Sharon Salsbury, 12A-9

Basketball Resume

Basketball season ended on Tuesday, March 3rd with the district playoffs at Dearborn High. This was Lowrey's finest year in basketball as they wound up with a 12-4 overall record and a 6-2 league record.

The following is a list of the final scoring for the Bears.

D. Cole 316 points
J. Wood 252 points
L. Paryaski 176 points
J. Gary 131 points
D. Bogataf 120 points
B. Srednicki 37 points
G. Poole 23 points
R. Kubisiack 17 points
C. Rhodehosue 12 points
D. Shortridge 10 points
P. Griglio 8 points
T. Schleyer6 points
R. Wotjas 3 points
We would like to add that Doug

The Bears ended their league standing with a second place finish.

	W	L
Riverside	8	0
Lowrey	ē	2
Southgate	4	4
Haston	0	8
Cheery Hill	0	8

We congratulate Lowrey on their fine season, and hope for even a better season next year.

Baseball History

Soon all over the country the cry of "Play Ball" will ring out and another baseball season will begin. Baseball is accepted all over the world as the great American pastime.

Baseball is actually derived from the old English game of cricket which was played in the early colonies. As time passed different variations of the game developed such as "Town Ball" where runners used to run to stakes made of stone. The players sometimes hurt themselves on these stones and so they were substituted by sacks filled with sand which were called bases and the term baseball bears.

The first important development in the game was the organization of the Knickerbocker Baseball Club in 1845. Much controversy has arisen as to who made the original rules, but it is generally accepted that Abner Doubleday was the original innovator and the man responsible for the diamond shaped infield.

Baseball has, since its beginning, been very popular and in the United States, is played by almost every school, many sandlot teams, and two professional major leagues.