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Careless Student End Privileges

The many have to suffer for the few.
As in so many past instances, a few RHS students have caused many more to lose special privileges. This time, the students' bus to the out-of-town football games has been eliminated because of some students' taste for something stronger than soft drinks.

School officials have little authority over the students' personal lives. If drinking and smoking is done at home or on campus, the parents have the right either to allow it, forbid it, or ignore it.

But the policy of Rockdale High School, as quoted on page 4 of the Blue and Gold Student Handbook is: "The use of tobacco and/or intoxicants on the school grounds by students is prohibited. The use of these is not permitted on buses—either regular bus runs or chartered buses for school use, or any place where the student represents the school."

This policy, so plainly stated, has been abused. Because of this abuse, students who do not drink liquor or smoke or those who do abstain while under school sponsorship have lost the chance to attend the football games on the student bus.

This is a plea for help-your help, your co-operation. If you must drink or smoke, the school asks you to content yourselves with your drinks and cigarettes while at home or in a place where your actions would not reflect on the school.

Lessons, Fun Must Share Efforts

Fall is almost here and our football spirit is running high as usual. Football games bring great enthusiasm to the students of RHS. Especially to Vince and Valerie who are obviously attracted to one another and to all activities outside of school.

Vince is six feet, dark and handsome and the captain of his football team. Valerie is a vivacious blonde who stands on the sideline cheering her captain and team to victory. Vince puts aside his chemistry and Valerie her shorthand in order to enjoy Friday night's game.

The next day Vince is madly working on his '49 Chevy and Valerie is getting ready for the Saturday night dance. As usual their lessons are put off until Sunday when they feel sure they will have all day to do them. Sunday rolls around and Vince suddenly remembers there is a marvelous movie showing at the theater. He immediately calls Valerie and asks her to go to the movies with him. She says yes before giving it a second thought.

"I'd better do my shorthand," thinks Valerie and just as she opens her book, she hears a honk from a car that has just stopped in front of her home. It is Vince wanting to know if she wants to go riding awhile before the show. Immediately pushing her shorthand aside, she accepts, besides they are practically going steady and she just can't say no. Vince and Valerie spend the whole evening enjoying themselves and each thinks they have had a rewarding evening.

It is twelve before they get home and both go to bed in order to stay awake in classes the next day. Before Vince goes to sleep he thinks, "I have all year to study if I don't get my chemistry now. I can surely get it later." Similar thoughts run through Valerie's mind as she is slowly slipping into slumber land.

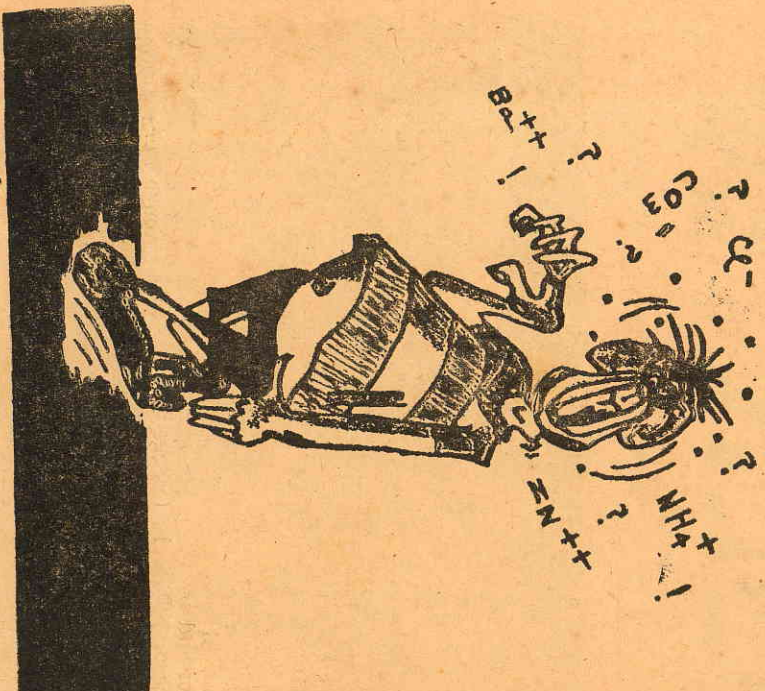
Do Valerie and Vince reflect your life to some extent? Is it wise to put off studying, thinking, "If I don't get it now, I can get it later"? You may soon find yourself lost and you will wish you had taken the time to study each day rather than studying just when the time was opportune.

Let's stay behind our football team and also our lessons in order to bring home a real victory.

1964-65 SCHOOL CALENDAR

| Begins | Ends | Days |
|--|------|-----------------|
| First Six Weeks—Sept. 3, 1964—October 16, 1964 | | 31 |
| Labor Day Holiday—Sept. 7, 1964 | | |
| Second Six Weeks—Oct. 19, 1964—November 25, 1964 | | 28 |
| Thanksgiving Holidays—Nov. 26 and 27, 1964 | | |
| Third Six Weeks—Nov. 30, 1964—Jan. 22, 1965 | | 30 |
| Christmas Holidays—Dec. 21 through Jan. 3 | | |
| First Semester | | 88 |
| Fourth Six Weeks—Jan. 25, 1964—March 5, 1965 | | 30 |
| Fifth Six Weeks—March 8, 1965—April 15, 1965 | | 26 |
| Holiday March 12—District 10 TSTA | | |
| Holiday April 16—Good Friday | | |
| Sixth Six Weeks—April 19, 1965—May 28, 1965 | | 30 |
| Second Semester | | 88 |
| Total Days | | 177 Days |

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BARBARA VERSUS DIANA SHORTS

By BARBARA JACKSON
New talent in RHS was revealed in the auditorium when a combo featuring John Stewart on the electric guitar and Gary Hornbeck and Tim Erskine on the drums began playing during the morning break and lunch hour in the past three weeks.

The jam sessions include John Stewart, Ronnie Caywood, and Estaban Zapata on the electric guitar and Gary Hornbeck and Tim Erskine on the drums. Mr. Bill Grusendorf supplements the band on the sax and Dominic Keeble with his trumpet. Musical selections have included "Walk, Don't Run," "And I Love Her," and "Pretty Woman."

Most students enjoy this change of pace during the breaks at school. We hope it continues.
The seniors around RHS have been noticed in an unusual posture. They have been seen standing normally, but with one hand extended toward another person who seems to be admiring something. Careful investigation reveals the people are admiring shiny new 1965 senior rings. Underclassmen have been subjected to the scrutiny of the new jewelry since September 15.

Quoted from Bennet Cerf's daily joke column, "Try and Stop Me": Soon after the death of Stalin, three fiery souls went to the pearly gates and appealed to St. Peter for entrance into Heaven. Asked why they suddenly desired the heavenly world, they answered, "We're the first refugees." This joke has a sad aspect to Mr. Robert Dowfain's civics class after they viewed the filmstrip on Life in Russia.

Produced by Life magazine, the filmstrip depicts Russia through a close inspection of the life of the Russian people. One of the most significant facts brought out by Mr. Dowfain during the film was that the people seldom smile. How thankful we should be that people have reason to smile and are not so degraded by the government that every phase of life is saddened. Plans for a new twist to th

Teachers Attend Summer School
Five RHS faculty members refreshed and improved their teaching ideas by attending 1964 summer schools.
Mr. Bill Grusendorf, band director, attended graduate school at the University of Texas where he studied music education, including a course in class supervision. Mr. Grusendorf is working on his master's degree which requires 24 hours of graduate study and a thesis. He has now completed 12 hours and hopes to complete 12 next summer and then begin work on his thesis.
Mrs. Maline Caraway, English teacher, attended a 2-week workshop for English teachers at Southeastern State College in Durant, Oklahoma. This workshop was sponsored jointly by the college and the National Council of Teachers of English. Written composition was the subject of study in the workshop. Mrs. Caraway reports, "I gained much from the work and also from the association with other teachers."
Mr. Tom Underwood worked on his master's degree at the University of Texas last summer, taking two courses of history and one of English. Mr. Underwood reports that he is attending school every Thursday night during the present semester. He hopes to complete work on his master's degree next summer.

Mr. J. E. White attended the Tommy Kennedy Science Symposium in Austin for three days, courtesy of Texas Power and Light Company. Lou White, RHS junior and daughter of Mr. White, also attended.
Mr. Leroy Lorenz attended Southwest Texas State College at San Marcos. Mr. Lorenz, also working on his master's degree, took Education and Industrial Arts courses.

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