

NORTH HIGH LIGHTS

By ROSALIE KUREAY

Greetings again from Saxonland!
 North High is celebrating its annual Friendship Days to give the Saxons a better chance to get acquainted. Scheduled to keep the days alive with activity are an assembly today and a dance tomorrow evening at 8 p.m. Today's assembly will feature talks by foreign exchange students Per Sranevik, North's guest from Norway, and Rosanne Hathaway, North High School representative who toured Greece this summer. Also planned is the official announcement of Mr. and Miss Friendship, a title which will be given to eight neighboring Saxons, a boy and girl from each class. North High's Dance Band will provide music for tomorrow evening's "hop" in the gym. Mixed dances, free cookies and lots of fun will spotlight this activity.

but it seems the Saxon shells are ricocheting in the wrong direction. There is still a little evidence of the bugs existence. Sophs and Frosh are pledged to keep the papers picked up this week, the valiant underclassmen will undoubtedly rid N.H.S. of its menace.

ALL THOSE WAILS and groans heard in the North Torrance vicinity this week are merely Saxons bemoaning the fact that Failure Notice time has arrived. Five weeks after the beginning of each quarter North High School teachers are asked to notify parents if their Saxon son or daughter is failing a course. Not as auspicious as it sounds, this plan usually gives the student incentive to pick up marks before report card time rolls around.

That's all for this week. See you around the column next Thursday.

WINNING THE Scholarship Society in such annual activity as their famed campus wide talent show will be newly elected President, Jerry Hickman. Aiding him will be the vice-presy, David Klump, Secretary, Marie Akashi and Treasurer, Jerry Duncan. Historian, Jan Duxley, will keep the Society Scrapbook well filled with clippings while Activities Chairman Sandie Songer will create projects for the members.

Sponsoring the Scholarship Society this year is Science teacher Mr. R. J. Venturini.

SWEET OLD ladies, murder and mayhem are a combination guaranteed to make this year's Senior play "Arsenic and Old Lace" a sure hit when the curtain rises for the first time on Nov. 20. Under the direction of Drama instructor, Mr. B. Hoefler—Seniors Joy Bingham, Jackie Rupe, Ann Kirner and Richard Lynn will create characters that have made this play a favorite of American theatergoers. War against Litterbugs is being waged daily on campus.

Women Voters Oppose Prop. 17

The California League of Women Voters opposes proposition 17 because its passage would threaten the state economy at a time of fiscal crisis. Mrs. Richard Blakeley, president of the Palos Verdes League, announced today.

"California's reserves and taxpayers have been critically depleted to balance state income against spending," Mrs. Blakeley said. "The legislature must now find new sources of revenue, or be able to adjust present tax rates to provide sufficient funds to operate state government, education, welfare and health programs."

"If sales and income tax rates are fixed and frozen into law as proposition 17 proposes," she added, "the legislature will have no choice but to seek new sources of revenue, some of which might work a hardship on those least able to pay."

"Under provisions of proposition 17, sales and use taxes would be reduced from three to two per cent; income tax rates would go up one per cent on incomes under 5,000 to 45 per cent on incomes over \$50,000; the legislature would be able to lower but not increase sales taxes; and income tax could only be changed by a vote of the people," she explained.

"Proposition 17 threatens the concept of an equitable, coordinated tax system with a broad tax base, which the California League supports," Mrs. Blakeley said.

Opponents of Proposition 17 Issue Warning

The League of California Cities and the County Supervisors Association of California today joined in a warning that "this reckless scheme—Proposition No. 17—would pile on every citizen of every city and county in California a back-breaking load of local taxation."

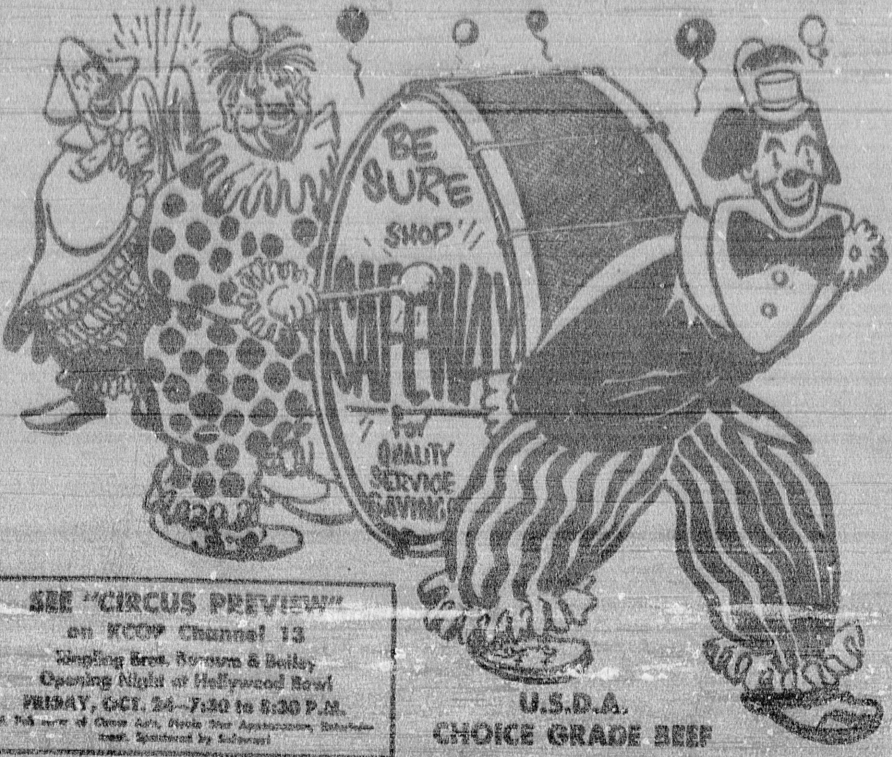
Spokesmen for the two organizations, pointed out that the burden of providing essential education, welfare and social services would be shifted from the state to local governments if Proposition No. 17 should pass.

"This proposal could lead to bankruptcy for many cities in California," declared Richard Carpenter, executive director and general counsel of the League of California Cities, "as our communities attempted to fill the gaping hole left by the state's curtailment of its service programs."

William R. MacDugall, general manager of the County Supervisors Association of California, warned that "this proposal either would paralyze the functions of state government or it would impose burdens upon the counties with which they absolutely could not cope."

To Get New Phone Cable

To provide relief for congested telephone cable serving the Marineland and Lonsdale Bay areas west of the Rolling Hills central office, a major underground cable conduit system is to be placed from the central office to Hawthorne Blvd., the first part of next year, according to H. C. Vaupel, manager for General Telephone's Frontier number area. "Homes being moved from the Portuguese Bend slipage area and others being constructed on a recently subdivided tract near Marineland Pacific have necessitated early completion of this project," Vaupel explained.



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