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SUPER-ATHLETE, JESSE OWENS, keeps an eye on the black oak tree he won in the 1936 Olympics.

Olympian Visits Rhodes

Jesse Owens Donated Trees

by Lina Carro

"In the field of competition, you must establish a moral code, have a sense of responsibility, and a standard of discipline," said famous track and field star, Jesse Owens, as he recently spoke here in the boys' gym to future athletes of America.

Reliving some fond old memories, Jesse Owens recently returned to his native Cleveland to speak at an inaugural ceremony for East Technical High School, from which he graduated.

The 1936 Olympics star came to Rhodes High to speak to the young and future athletes of his experiences. He also came to look over one of his four black oak trees, which he donated to Rhodes. Mr. Owens won these four trees in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, Ger-

many for his outstanding placings in track and field events.

His ambition to win a gold medal in the Olympics began when he met Pat Caddock in 1928, who was at that time the world's fastest human.

During these Olympics, the athletes who placed first in their respective events were awarded not only gold medals but also oak trees, that were usually given, as tokens from the German government.

The East Tech graduate was generous enough to donate his four trees to various locations in Ohio. The four trees were planted at: his alma maters, East Technical High, Ohio State University, his mother's yard, and James Ford Rhodes High.

Jesse Owens gave the tree to the Cleveland Board of Education, which planted the tree near the school's track, because Rhodes, at that time, was a new school. Rumor has it that Rhodes owns the only living, healthy and identifiable tree, although the fact has not yet been actually verified.

Jesuit, Madison Oppose Rhodes

This year's "Academic Challenge" team is composed of seniors Jim Rokakis, John Katona, and junior Matt Sutko. John Schreckengost is the only alternate. Channel 5 will air the show tomorrow evening at 8:30 p.m.

The program was taped at NEWS studio on Sunday evening, October 29. Tickets were available for students to attend the taping. Rhodes' opponents are Walsh Jesuit High School and Madison High School.

"I was very pleased with our showing. I believe the team did a very fine job in representing Rhodes," commented Rokakis, the team captain. "I would like to thank Miss Whalen for all her time."

"The Rhodes team had a very good point total," added program advisor Miss Whalen.

Marching Band Show Highlights 1972 Season

by Rhonda Bennett

Five themes ranging from the sounds of yesteryear to the beat of the present day will be presented at the third annual indoor Marching Band Show. It will be held Tuesday, November 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhodes High auditorium. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Instrumental Music Department, Ramettes, Majorettes, or at the door. Admission for adults is \$1.00 and \$.50 for students.

Entertainment will be presented by the Marching Band, the Majorettes, and the Ramettes. After the in-

termission the stage (dance) band will perform. The show will open with the flag raising which includes the "Star-Spangled Banner" and the "Buckeye Battle Cry."

According to Mr. Michael Zand, director of Instrumental Music, the band will perform all of the selections from the 1972 halftime shows. This will include country and western music featuring the Nashville Sound. Selections will include "Do Lord", "Rose Garden", and "Wabash Cannonball."

The theme Oldies But Goodies includes such tunes as "Baubles, Bangles, and Beads", "Varsity Drag", and "San Antonio Rose". Another category will be Sounds of the Seventies featuring two Chicago tunes. These are "Free" and "Beginnings." The Latin America Show features "Brazil", "Begin the Beguine March", and "Little Boat".

The Ramettes will be featured on such tunes as "Varsity Drag" and the Majorettes on "San Antonio Rose" and "Free". Both groups will combine on "Brazil", "I Never Promised You A Rose Garden", and "Beginnings" by Chicago.

Finishing the night's entertainment will be the Stage Band featuring the Big Band Sound. Some tunes that will be played include "Pink Panther" by Mancini, "String of Pearls" by Glenn Miller, "Let's Dance" by Benny Goodman, and "L'il Darling" by Neil Hefti.

The Marching Band will close its portion of the show with the alma mater and several encores.

Money collected from the band show is going to be used to meet the expenses of the Rhodes Instrumental Department.

Junior Officers Elected For 72-73 School Year

by Mike Wancata

Newly elected officers of the Junior class are President, John Sachanda; Vice President, Cyndi Kramer; Secretary, Valerie Callahan; Treasurer, Dan Christz.

"I was very happy with the help I received from the Student Council officers and members and faculty," stated Student Council advisor Mr. Bud Hegele. "Things went smoothly and I think the Rhodes students showed their maturity in the way the elections were conducted."

The elections, in which only 58% of the Junior class voted, were held last Friday behind the auditorium balcony.

"Time was a factor," stated Mr. Hegele. "With homecoming and other things going on, we were not able to hold the class elections before this."

Students wishing to run for a particular office had to meet the three requirements. The student had to be a Junior who carried at least a 2.5 average in the tenth grade; petition at least 50 signatures; and had to have the principal's approval.

Rules stated that one poster was allowed per floor. Rules applied the same for the cafeteria and room 209.

"I hope the officers do a good job," commented the faculty advisor. "They have to be willing to work in order to do a good job."

City-Wide S.C. Effects Reforms

New provisions in this year's City Wide Student Council include an independent study program and a decrease in representation. These adjustments reflect City-Wide's attempts to bring efficiency and more liberal participation.

An experimental project, dubbed Independent Studies, will allow members to analyze operational processes of the council. The studies aim to train members to participate within Council freely.

Also, fewer representatives will be in attendance this year, each school being permitted only four delegates. The reason for this change is that the council will be able to operate more efficiently and with less confusion as a result.

This year's representatives from Rhodes include Student Council President John Katona, David Blank, and juniors Virginia Gill, and Kathy Zajac.

'Wanton Destruction' - Mr. Massa

Vandals Damage Rhodes High

by Jim Rokakis

Vandals have hit Rhodes High hard this year, and have done external damage to the school. During the Veterans' Day week-end last month vandals caused \$889 worth of damage.

Among the costlier items destroyed that week-end were,

1. 20 window blocks in the girls' gym valued at \$20 a block
2. A model home valued at \$125
3. A fire extinguisher valued at \$50
4. Newly laid sod valued at \$150

5. Various glass panes throughout the school valued at approximately \$150.

"It's wanton, malicious, stupid destruction for no reason," said Rhodes principal, Mr. Michael Massa.

Mr. Herman Imel, supervisor in charge of security at the Cleveland Board of Education said vandals did \$773,329 worth of damage to Cleveland schools last year. But he also noted vandalism on the whole, is on the decrease this year.

"This decrease does not seem to be the case at Rhodes," observed Mr. Imel, "and at the rate Rhodes is

going it will soon be classified as a problem school."

In the six month period from January to June of 1971, 46 panes of glass were broken at Rhodes. In that same period this year 55 panes were broken.

If the school is classified as a problem school a costly detection device will have to be installed. Also security will be stepped up.

"It's only a matter of a few who are responsible for this," said Mr. Massa, "and I would certainly hate for this school to be classified downtown as a problem school because of their actions."