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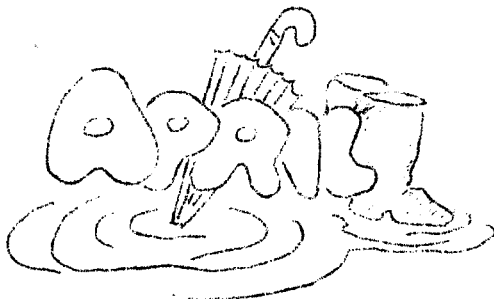
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National Library Week IS Important

Suddenly, "A better-read, better informed America" has become a necessity! In this age of atoms and automation, when limited horizons are dangerous to a free people, the printed word, the basis of education, has assumed a new importance. Awareness of this fact is the only means by which an enlightened, alert America can remain free. The very existence of our society depends upon the extent to which all people have formed the habit of finding out, of intelligently weighing alternatives, of reading to be informed. The primary aim of National Library Week (April 12-18) is this renewing of people's concern in the printed word so that they can re-dedicate themselves to the ideas and ideals of a free society.

The National Book Committee and the American Library Association who are jointly sponsoring National Library Week wish in addition to remind the American people of the unparalleled source of entertainment and exciting form of escape from preoccupation with merely having and doing, into a rich life of being, knowing, understanding, and believing, that can be theirs by just reading.

The Highacres library, together with the speech and English departments and the Belles Lettres Society of the Hazleton Campus, has planned a reading festival in conjunction with the nation-wide celebration of Library Week, and has assembled varied poster and book displays that are sure to interest all Highacres students. In addition, free bookmarks highlighting the theme of National Library Week will be distributed the week of April 12-18.

Because many students cannot spare the time to do much reading while in the throes of a semester's studying, Mrs. Mary Ferry has compiled a list of current magazine articles sure to provide a pleasant moment while meeting some academic need. (This selection can be found on the last page of this paper.) You owe it to yourself, and to America to read at least one article during National Library Week.