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Jack & Debra Phillips

Letters to the O & B



Paul Kotsines < paulkotsines@comcast.net > wrote on August 18, 2026

The new puzzle answer is.... A close pin holder!!!

Paul Kotsines

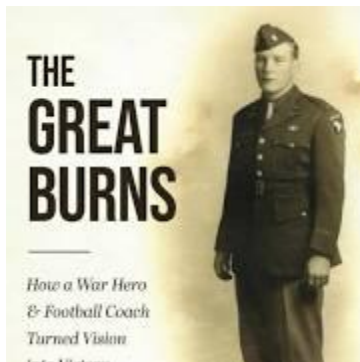
Class of '57

Editor Note: Yes, Paul you are correct! Thanks for dropping a line! Hope you are doing well!

Jim Carlson < pegandjim@sio.midco.net.com > wrote on August 25, 2026

Debra , you had a note in the last O/B about this book,
which is available on Amazon. For more information classmates can check out
"The Great Burns Official Website." <https://www.thegreatburns.com/>

Discover the inspiring story of Bob Burns, a legendary coach and war hero, through his life's journey
of achievement and dedication.



Thanks

Jim A Carlson

Class of '58

On Dec 8, 2011, Glenn Anderson wrote:

Jack, I am guessing there are a million Bob Burns stories out there. I have a personal one which has carried me through numerous situations where some humility was needed. I played football my freshman and sophomore year. Unless one was extremely talented, we never saw Bob Burns, the head coach. We were coached by some talented assistants. I played tackle. One day towards the end of my sophomore year, we were lined up on the field one afternoon by position played. We soon found out the purpose of this was that we were to run wind sprints by position in front of HEAD COACH BOB BURNS. This was the first time he had ventured down to our end of the field in two years. We all knew this was an important "show." When I leapt off the line with the tackles, running full steam, eyes intense and mostly closed. At the finish line I heard that unforgettable gravelly voice of Burns say to me,

"Hey kid, what's your name?" Man, I thought this was going to be like the movies and I was on to bigger and better things. I answered, "Anderson, coach!" He looked at me intently and said, "Anderson, you are the slowest son of a bitch I have ever seen!" I finished out the season and the next year took up journalism and became the Sports Editor my senior year. I have found that my involvement in Journalism as something that has stood me well over the years and vastly more important than the two years in football. So, in the end, Bob Burns was an important mentor (or anti-mentor) for me. He was one of a kind.

Glenn Anderson,
Class of '57.

Editor Note: Glenn, Thanks for sharing that funny story. That was the Burns you all knew and loved.

Harold Hal Rudisill < richrudy@live.com > wrote on August 18, 2026

Hey Peggy!! That item on guess what it is?? It's a clothespin bag. Hung it on the clothesline and just reached in to grab a clothespin.....yeah?? Now that's something to get hung up about!!!

Harold Hal Rudisill
Class of '56

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“WHS when not in the classroom”

When attending elementary school at Lincoln Elementary and then at Mark Twain I earned money throughout the school years and summers mowing grass and shoveling snow and delivering Argus Leader and Minneapolis Tribune newspapers. I continued doing that into my freshman year at WHS. Then, during the Freshman/Sophomore summer I joined my stepfather in caring for his family farm outside Menno, SD after the passing of his parents. I learned to operate and maintain a tractor and other farm implements and care for livestock including cattle, hogs, sheep, and chickens with the help of the farm dogs. Living on a farm was not new to me as my first years of life were spent on my grandparent's farm outside of Parkston, SD where my first year of school was in a one-room schoolhouse.

The next two WHS school summers were again spent with my stepfather laying many miles of underground cable for the telephone company in rural South Dakota. Having been a road contractor, my stepfather had his own Caterpillar D8 bulldozer for such work. One of my responsibilities was cleaning out the mud from between the track rollers at the end of most days. Most evenings, the crew would frequent the local bars along the cable-laying route. I remember one evening, the bar tender/manager instructed an Indian entering the bar to “leave and go to their own bar down the street”. I don't believe I've ever been so embarrassed and angry for my age!

I also remember, somewhere along the route, swimming a lake to an island where a hermit lived and when I emerged on the island shore, I was loaded with leeches. The hermit had already had his eyes on me and came to my rescue with enough salt to rid me of the bloodsuckers.

Toward the end of my Junior year at WHS, I became friends with Gary/Gerry Hoard '59. Gary was working as a DJ for AM radio station KISD and told me of an opening for a late-night DJ. I applied and, with Gary's help, got the job. It was new and it was fun, however, being a full-time WHS student and nearly full-time late night DJ mix was beyond demanding.

My Washington High School years were more than academic. If your WHS years were also more than scholastic, how about sharing your experiences with the rest of us O&B Alumni subscribers? We'd love to hear from you! E-mail to: orangeandblackonline@gmail.com

Bill Lobe '59
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PEG'S PAGE

By Peg Teslow
Class of '57

ANSWER to LAST O&B Puzzle:

This was a bag used for clothes pins used by mothers when hanging clothes out on the line.



NEW PUZZLES

Who knows what these were used for?



IF YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS,
YOU ARE OFFICIALLY OLD.
SORRY 😊



Thanks to Peggy Servold Teslow, Class of '57 for her contributions!

Do you remember where this was in Sioux Falls?



OVER 55 YEARS
Serving the Public

In 1883 Look's Market opened for business . . . serving the public with quality meats and home made sausages. The growth of the business kept pace with the growth of the city . . . from a small village to its present metropolitan size.

We are proud of the fact that Look's market continues in favor with the people of this vicinity.

We are carrying on with the same principles laid down by the founders 55 years ago.

Visit this market and try our service and foods.

• **LOOK'S** •
SINCE 1883 **MARKET** PHONE 95
• **CORNER EIGHTH ST. and MAIN AVE.** •

Note the two-digit phone # in this ad from a 1938 newspaper!



WHS DECEASED LIST for 2026

FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	LAST NAME	Classes	OBITUARY LINK Updated 09/04/26 Red denotes NEW since last Newsletter	DOD
Vivian	Helen	Wehling	50	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/vivian-wehling	01/12/26
Richard	A.	Kinsley	50	https://www.heritagesfsd.com/obituary/richard-kinsley	01/13/26
Tom		Amburn	50	https://www.skrochfc.com/obituaries/thomas-amburn	05/01/26
Barbara	Joanne	Hine	50	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/barbara-hines	03/17/26
Joan	Mabee	Tate	51	https://www.chapelhillfuneralhome.com/obituaries/joan-tate	01/20/26
Clinton	Gerald	Philips	51	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/clinton-philips	01/30/26
Lois	Stevens	Brown	51	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/lois-brown	04/02/26
Marianne	Hauge	Vatne	52	https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/ourmidland/name/marianne-vatne-obituary?id=61179855	01/22/26
Waldemar	"Wally"	Klawiter Jr	52	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/waldemar-wally-klawiter	<u>07/04/26</u>
Mildred	Frederickson	Moser	52	https://www.millerfh.com/obituaries/mildred-millie-moser	<u>08/13/26</u>
James	H	Page	53	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/james-page	<u>12/09/25</u>
Luann Kay	Loge	Greear	53	https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/luann-greear-obituary?id=60551071	01/14/26
Myrtice	McAlpin	Jellis	53	https://heartlandfunerals.com/obituaries/page/2/	03/05/26
Joyce	Barthel	Kemp	54	https://www.chapelhillfuneralhome.com/obituaries/joyce-kemp	02/10/26
Carolyn	Rae	Vollan	54	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/carolyn-vollan	03/14/26
Mary Ann	Thormodsgaard	Leafstedt	54	https://www.heritagesfsd.com/obituary/mary-ann-leafstedt	04/07/26
Warren	Henry	Reed	54	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/warren-reed	07/09/26
James Jim		Watson	54	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/james-jim-watson	07/01/26

Helen	Gildemeister	Van Liere	55	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/helen-vanliere	02/08/26
Mavis	Larson	Carl	55	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/mavis-carl	06/30/26
Ronald	Leonard	Gottschalk	55	https://www.millerfh.com/guestbook/ronald-gottschalk#47939364	8/01/26
Sharon	R	Jolivette	56	https://www.heritagesfsd.com/obituary/sharon-jolivette	02/05/26
Doris	Matthies	Tate	57	https://www.barnett-lewis.com/viewobit.php?id=1324	02/11/26
Marlynne	Portz	Gustafson	57	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/marlynne-gustafson	02/12/26
Judy	L	Schmuck	57	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/judith-judy-schmuck	04/08/26
Archie	Lee	Stutenroth	57	https://ancestors.familysearch.org/en/GSGQ-J82/archie-lee-stutenroth-1910-1993	06/15/1993
John		Simko	57	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/john-simko	06/06/26
Helen	Jean	Staudenmi er Miller	57	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/helen-miller	07/02/26
Robert	Carlton	Sagmore	57	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/robert-sagmoe	07/12/26
Daphne		Dunger	57	https://heartlandfunerals.com/daphne-dunger/	07/11/26
Byron	Craig	Hall	57	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/byron-hall	07/29/26
Judy		Harvey	58	https://www.isburgfuneralchapels.com/obituaries/Judy-Harvey?obId=48026525	04/02/26
Mary	Lemke	Thornburg	58	https://www.drinkwinemortuary.com/obituary/Mary-Lemke	04/17/26
Joyce	Briggs	Tornow	58	https://everloved.com/life-of/joyce-elaine-briggs/?flow=201	04/24/26
Nell	Luce	Williams	58	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/nell-luce	04/30/26
Glenn		Gravelle	58	https://www.crematesimply.com/obituaries/glenn-gravelle	05/29/26
John	Lowell	Marr	58	https://www.millerfh.com/obituary/john-marr	07/10/26
Beverly	Campbell	Hewlett	58	https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/beverly-campbell-obituary?id=62264874	08/19/26
Wayne	Carl	Wieczorek	59	https://www.georgeboom.com/obituary/wayne-wieczorek	04/28/26
Oriette	Dorene	Scheinost	59	https://www.brenny.com/obituaries/oriette-dorene-scheinost	05/27/26
John	Denny	Scott	59	https://www.argusleader.com/obituaries/pabd1516857	12/10/25

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Editor's Note:

As fall approaches, we can finally look forward to relief from the intense heat felt across the country this summer. It's also a good time to reflect:

What did you accomplish?

Did you take a vacation somewhere new?

Did you finish any summer projects?

Did you spend quality time with family and friends perhaps traveling home to visit relatives, enjoying backyard cookouts with friends, or sharing happy hour with neighbors?

Now, back to fall—football season, changing leaves, and the year's swift approach to its end.

Is there anything you promised yourself you would accomplish but haven't yet?

Hurry up! The year is flying by!!!

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Jack Phillips & The WHS Alumni Staff

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