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# LOOK OUT INDEPENDENCE HERE-WE-COME

## HOMECOMING

## MARIAN TOWERS QUEEN



I don't believe in fortune tellers and I'm not a star gazer so I can't guarantee how accurate this prediction is going to be, but there is one thing I'll vouch for and that is we are not going to spoil our Homecoming

by getting licked by Independence. We went to sleep just long enough to get beat by Manchester but we'll be plenty wide awake along about 2:45 Friday afternoon.

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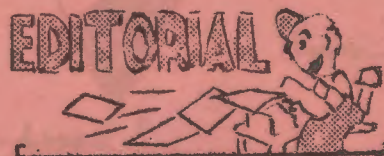
I wouldn't go so far as to predict a score; it all depends on how much fire you people on the sidelines can transmit to the boys on the field. And don't expect a pushover! Independence has eleven men on a team and so does Marion.

If you would like to have a little day dreaming on the subject, here goes.

Marion will trot out on the field amid the screams and cheers of a capacity crowd, tearing their throat out for dear old M. H. S. Then they line up and the Indians take the ball and run all over the field (featuring Potter in the Fox's Fandango, naturally.) We would like to see everybody get at least one touchdown--but now we're wandering too far off the track. We'll settle for just a good thorough trouncing (We're doing the trouncing, of course!) When the final gun is sounded, Marion will be leading about (?) to nothing and they'll carry Independence off, a mangled mess. This is a big game, to a lot of us--the climax of the whole homecoming, so let's everybody get behind the team and give them a great big shove and show Independence that a fighting Indian Team is no Sitting Bull.

During the half our new queen, MARIAN TOWERS, for 1940 homecoming will be presented by Mr. Warren and crowned by Mr. Sheets, president of the board. She will be accompanied by her attendants, MARTHA ANN YOUNG, ARLENE TOW, PAT BENEDICT, PHYLLIS LANNING, BONNIE CAREY, BONNIE FORD, and LEONE REYNOLDS. The band will form the background for the ceremony.

The flag-twirlers will give their colorful exhibition, without interference from the wind this time, we hope. Special sections will be reserved for the ROYAL GROUP, cheering section and band.



Well, guys and gals, we surely should be proud of ourselves. I mean of the way in which we showed spirit and interest in the past election for the Homecoming Queen. Never before can I remember such a display. Previously, this has been taken as matter of course, but this year it was swell. Banners, posters, and cheers and yells for their favorites were shaking the rafters of good old M.H.S. We do indeed thank the teachers for putting up with this enthusiastic campaign. I only hope that we can have this kind of spirit shaking and making old M.H.S. in the future.

Kenn Cornell.

#### Mid Six Conference Standings As of November 1st

	Won	Lost	Tied	Per cent
Anamosa	3	0	0	1.000
Monticello	3	0	1	.875
Manchester	1	1	1	.500
Tipton	1	2	0	.333
MARION	0	2	0	.000
Maquoketa	0	3	0	.000

No conference games Nov. 1st.

From 8:00 to 11:00 P.M. we will lend an ear and a hoof to Hal Foreman and his great band. There will be a colorful Grand March led by the QUEEN, followed directly by her attendants and their escorts. After this she will be crowned by Mr. Vernon. Following immediately will be a floor show. Any high school student or alumnus may bring one guest. The admission is 25¢ per person. We surely hope everybody has a swell time and makes this the best homecoming ever.





### What Homecoming Means To Me

Because I am a freshman and from another city, this may not be an accurate description of what a Marion High School Homecoming is like, but I shall try to stick to the facts.

As I have said, I am a freshman, much as I hate to admit it, so this, my first real homecoming, will mean a great deal to me. It will enable me to get better acquainted with the students of Marion High School. This will probably be the most exciting homecoming of my life with the exception of perhaps my senior year. I will meet people that I never knew existed: I will make more good friends, I hope, and I will get an idea of how to act while in the presence of the high and mighty (ahem!) upper-classmen. In short, this homecoming may be the beginning of a new existence for me.

I expect to enjoy myself immensely and to mingle with the throng of students, the faculty, and the alumni. Dancers will gracefully glide across the floor while I and other students, not having mastered the art of the dance, must merely sit, gaze, and hope for the best.

I sincerely hope I am not disappointed in this, my first real homecoming.

Robert E. Mathewson



### Indians Scalp Vinton 22 to 7

After vainly trying to ambush a Vinton regiment for the entire first half, the Marion Indians went on the warpath in the last half and staged a 22 to 7 massacre with Martin and Jacobs leading the raid. Martin, Lary and Marsh made touchdowns and Martin collected a safety and two extra points for Marion and Fowler counted for Vinton with Thompson plunging for point after touchdown.

The Indians win the toss and elected to receive. They started a march up the field that made Vinton look like Custer in his last stand, but the attack bogged down on about the Vinton thirty yard line, when Marion fumbled. That must have taken all the starch out of the boys in red because the whole remaining first half was something better to be forgotten, a see-saw back and forth with Vinton showing the most punch and fire. The half ended with the score nothing to nothing and the bet on Vinton.

What happened during the half time intermission it is best not to relate here except that the Indian teepee wasn't a place of hilarity, and the council of war was certainly no back-slapping affair.

That settled it, with their ire up, the tribe swept back on the field and swooped down on the boys in blue before they knew what it was all about. The kick-off went to Vinton and they were set on their heels and forced to punt. Here is where Martin charged in and blocked the kick out of the end-zone for a safety. The Vinton boys, upset by this change in spirit, kicked off from their own twenty and almost immediately were smothered under six more points, Lary carrying the pigskin on an end around. The tribe was no longer in a playful mood and they showed it

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by pushing the score up to 15 to 0 when Martin intercepted a Vinton pass and carried it about forty yards for the marker and kicked the extra point.

This is where Vinton repulsed the attack for a moment and staged a little rally of their own. After Marsh, from behind his own goal-line had punted out on his twenty-four, Fowler took the ball on a double reverse and scored. After being pushed around some more the Vinton boys became panicky and filled the air with passes. Martin intercepted another one and ran it back to the five where Marsh carried it across.

For once we have seen the Indians wake up and storm the opposition. They really looked like a team that last half. Maybe it was the fire-water lecture they got between halves that urged them to put their war-paint on but what ever it was, I promise you, and this goes for the whole team, that they won't stay penned up on their reservation any longer; they're really out for blood.

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### Ode To A Chain Gang

Seniors up and down the stairs  
Always seem to be in pairs,  
But in classes eyes are focused  
On the guy who sits the closest.

True and blue are all the guys,  
But when it comes to makin' eyes,  
The gal deserves the upper hand  
For she's the one who gets her man.

And so, dear underclassmen all,  
When you come back to school next fall,  
Just remember these few words--  
"The worm is caught by the early birds."

The moral to this little rhyme  
Is not to wait 'till a future time  
To bag your prey, the innocent male.  
And so, dear friends, I end my tale.

By the collaboration of V. Jackson  
and M.A. Young (So help' em!)

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### This Afternoon



### Tonite







# HUMOR

Love at first sight is often cured by a second glance.

Judge: "You are charged with driving through a stoplight with only one light on."

Sandy: "But stoppin' takes so much gas, and if I use two lights it runs down me battery."

Otto W.: "I can tell the age of a turkey by the teeth."

B. Kellogg: "A turkey doesn't have teeth!"

Otto W.: "I have!"

A date is something you don't break training with, if you have not got.

Mary had a little lamb,  
Her Papa killed it dead.  
Now she takes the lamb to school,  
Between two chunks of bread.

"I don't object to school," remarked the high school student, "it's the principal of the thing."

Visitor: "And what's your name my good man?"

Prisoner: "9742."

Visitor: "Is it your real name?"

Prisoner: "Naw, just me pen name!"

Cannibal Prince: "Am I late for dinner?"

Cannibal King: "Yes, everyone's eaten."

"What's the tactful way for a girl's father to let her boyfriend know it's time to leave?"  
"He may pass through the room with a box of breakfast food."

Where is my wandering boy tonight  
I wonder near or far?  
An anxious parent asks and adds  
And also, where's the car?

Bob M.: "May I borrow your pen?"

Dale B.: "Sure thing."

Bob: "Got a piece of writing paper I can use?"

Dale: "Reckon so."

Bob: "Going past the mailbox when you go out?"

Dale: "Yeah."

Bob: "Wait a minute till I finish this letter, will you?"

Dale: "All right."

Bob: "Want to lend me a stamp?"

Dale: "Uh-huh."

Bob: "Much obliged. Say, what's your girl's address?"

## Dramatic Club

At the last meeting of the Dramatic Club, Thursday, October 17, the officers were elected. They are: President--Zella Mae Fenlon; Treasurer--Martha Ann Young.

The dues were voted at thirty-five cents a semester.

Pins and a Greek name were discussed.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 29.

Marian Spence

## Red Cross Money

Home Room 115 turned in its Red Cross money first!! There were two 1940 nickels and twenty-five 1940 pennies--for twenty-three pupils.

How about some of you other home rooms doing as well? 115 is freshmen!

## New Banner

Thanks to Mr. Vernon and Mr. Warren, we now possess a permanent banner which is to be hung across the street uptown for football games. Who we are to play and the time and date can be removed or posted on as the occasion demands.

So what's say we show our appreciation to them by turning out for all these games 100%!





That new two-some--Ludeman and "Don Juan" Hall--is not cooling any. In fact, it's getting along fine!!!

It seems that Scott and Martin have P. Lanning going around in circles. Getting dizzy, Phyl.?

Where are these sophomore boys getting their slick-looking hats? Maybe they got 'em to improve their looks!!!

"Man about town" Larkin is giving the girls a rush.

Who could Elaine Mitchell be looking at lately? It couldn't be innocent John Larkin, or could it?

I think Ted Davin is making eyes at S. Schaffer. Shame on you, Ted, picking on a freshman!

Seems as though some of our Soph. boys are receiving threats from one certain Cedar Rapids Romeo, telling them to stay away from his Marion Juliet, B. Hampton!

The course of true love never did run smooth, did it, Mary and Bill?

Even "Watzie" has joined the "Smoochers' Club"!

How does Keith S. rate by taking Leone R. to homecoming?

Who did Fairly take to the campfire party? Oh, I know, R. Gallegher.

We see Meggers is on the loose again. Don't take it so hard, though, Meg, she'll be back again and you'll be there.

DEFINITION OF A KISS: A KISS is a peculiar proposition; of no use to ONE; absolute bliss to TWO; the small boy gets it for NOTHING; the young man has to STEAL it, and the old man has to BUY it: it is the baby's right; the lover's PRIVILEGE and the hypocrite's MASK. To a young girl it means FAITH; to a married woman HOPE and to an old maid CHARITY.

Question to Messieurs Martin, Meggers, and Beebe--"Where were you eighth hour Tuesday, October 22, 1940? Answer to those who do not know--"Looking up toward the science laboratory with a dreamy, cow-like expression singing "Sweet Adeline" to "The Women"

From what we hear, there are some girls soliciting a date for one of their pals for Homecoming. Couldn't mean this certain girl's slipping, could it?

We hear Miss Bartlett love's the "Nutts!" The "Scotch" had a word for it, (Mc).

East Side, West Side,  
Wherever you may be,  
You'll get a cheer for  
M. H. S.  
A cheer from you and me.

All our boys are eager  
To beat Independence tonite,  
So come on, all you football  
players,  
Let's put up a good fight.

Betty Corum





SILLY  
Chapter II

Silly, may God rest his sweet, innocent, little soul, was out in the cold, cruel world all alone. Would he win a fortune, or make a gallant sacrifice, or would he be cruelly defeated, who knows? I don't!

Daylight found him far from home in a strange land, whistling to keep up his courage.

Suddenly a voice breaks in on his whistling, his thoughts, in fact, it just broke everything; "See here, is that you whistling?"

"Tain't my shadow," answered Silly, in as hard a voice as he could find.

"Well you can't whistle that you know. I've patented it."

"This is a free country. I'll whistle what I please."

"Oh, no you won't. I'm the Saint and will sue you for stealing my stuff." With that the voice and the rest of the stuff that goes with it disappeared.

Silly had gone but a few wriggles farther when he saw a figure approaching, a menacing figure carrying a paper in his hand.

Oh, poor Silly! Is the Saint going to make trouble? Who is this figure? Perhaps Yehoudi knows. Tune in next week on the same page and if the Homecoming merriment hasn't put too many kinks in Fenlon's brain, she'll TELL ALL!

## Notice To All Students!!!!

How about helping the cheerleaders get a few new yells? If you know any new ones that are really clever and that would make a hit, hand them to one of our cheerleaders.

Come on, all you guys and gals and let's get some in, what say?

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## "CONFERENCE"

The Older Boys and Girls Conference was held Thursday at the Methodist Church and those who attended heard many inspirational talks and had a fine fellowship with the different Young People's organizations over the County.

The main address in the morning pointed out the fact that it is inner strength we as young people need to fight our daily problems as much as it is physical strength, and the main address in the afternoon was that we don't all have what it takes, but that we can have if only we will try to win each battle we have to fight against wrong.

In the evening the banquet brought to a peak the fellowship and inspiration we had felt during the day, and Conference ended with a beautiful candle lighting service.

## The Band

Concert band this year consists of about sixty pieces. This band meets Friday morn-ings before school. Whether or not the band will go to contest this year is still a moot question. However, Mr. Lyman plans to enter several soloists and ensembles. A trombone quartet, a French horn quartet, a clarinet quartet and a woodwind quintet have already been organized and are practising.

The marching band, forty-eight pieces and a whistle, meets eighth hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The band made a trip to Vinton two weeks ago to help win the game. The band works hard and really deserves what little credit it gets.

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Survey of Student Opinion

Halley's sixth hour government class hereby extends its gratitude to the student body and faculty of M. H. S. for its informative, candid opinions expressed on the ballot which we sent forth, except for a few isolated cases, the cooperation was amazing. For popular interest the most important question was that of the presidential race. Willkie won 159 to 135, while Thomas polled 6 votes. The school was practically unanimous in its assent for more social functions and dances. Because of the lack of time, we have broken down only the senior vote. These results are interesting. Thirty-five students of the senior class voted for Roosevelt, thirty for Willkie and two for Thomas--the girls' vote accounted for the Roosevelt popularity. The majority of students believe their parents will vote the same way. According to senior opinion material aid to Britain should be our foreign policy. Only one senior marred the intelligence of her class by voting for a declaration of war on the Axis Powers. Needless to say, no boys voted such a move! The seniors as well as the rest of the student body overwhelmingly favor conscription of wealth and also of man power. Students by a two-to-one margin believe that conscientious objections should not be forced into military service. We as a student body hereby endorse a more active intra-mural athletic program.

The teachers vote was peculiarly interesting in the following ways: Roosevelt polled one vote; Thomas, one; and Willkie, five. Two members of our faculty voted for a declaration of war on Germany et-al! They believed 5-2 in draft of industries and 6-1 in draft of men. Also by 4-3 they believe conscientious objections are no excuse for military exemption.

## Manchester 19--Marion 0

Friday night the Marion football team played host to the Manchester Manhawks and as hosts were much too polite to their visitors.

In the first quarter Manchester was on its own goal-line so much that the school board was tempted to turn out the lights on Marion's end of the field. The only time the ball was past mid-field was when one of McIntosh's punts went to the forty-four yard line.

The second quarter was the same except that Manchester climaxed a long drive by completing a pass for six points. The try for extra points was wide.

This second half began, and Manchester began to turn on the power. Shoving over one touch down about midway in the third quarter, Hattel shook loose and an end around for about thirty yards and McIntosh plowing over for the score. The point after the touchdown was good. Manchester had 13, Marion had 0. In the final period Hattel ripped off another 30 yard dash to push the Manhawks total up to 19 points. That's that for the scoring.

The game was featured by Hattel's slippery gains, McIntosh's plunging and some beautiful punting and running by Marsh. Manchester wasn't nineteen points better, Marion went to sleep once in a while--Manchester didn't. The Indians were close to paydirt several times but couldn't deliver and with a few breaks, the score would have been a lot different.

Laurence Martin  
and  
Dale Bebee