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## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY FN IOYED

A full house enjoyed the Junior class play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay", last Thursday and

Friday nights.

Helen Reichert played Cornelia Otis Skinner, and Helen Richmann played Emily Kimbrough. Both girls wanted very much to cut their parental apronstrings; so when they went to Paris, Cornelia's parents traveled on one boat and they on another. Enroute they met two dashing young doctors, Leo Mc-Evoy and Dick Winters, played by Jerry Churchill and Bob Quinn respectively. (Naturally a romance followed.)

When they arrived in Paris, Cornelia engaged a French acting teacher, Monsieur de la Croix, played by Lyle Fisher. He pretends to be interested in Cornelia's acting but is really interested in her actor father, Edwin Carlson, who (he hopes) will get him a job.

An exploding gas meter, a stowaway, measles and bedbugs added even more to the hilarity of the whole story.

How did you like those chic dresses? Don't laugh! Nobody knows what will happen next in the fashion world!

# F. CRETZMEYER GUEST

SPFAKER

The WaMaC football victors were entertained at a banquet held in the high school gym Monday, November 14. The "eats" were good and there was a fair sized crowd. Francis Cretzmeyer of the State University of Iowa was the guest speaker. He also showed movies of the Iowa-Oregon football game.

## MUSICIANS TO DES MOINES

Two outstanding musicians, Marjory Lala and Carole Hamilton, won positions in the All-State Band and Orchestra October 22 at Iowa City and will leave November 24 for Des The first re-Moines. hearsal Friday morning, November 25, will determine the chair within the section. The All-State Band, Orchestra, and Chorus will give a concert at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, November 26 at the KRMT Radio Theater in Des Moines.

## KING SCORES 15 POINTS

Marion upset Wilton Junction 34-23 after trailing 8-2 at the quarter and 17-14 at the half.

But Marion couldn't be held back, and at the end of the third quarter, the Indians were leading 23-18. The final horn blew with the score reading Marion 34, Wilton Junction 23.

High scorer for Marion was King with 15 points and Birkhoger was high for Wilton Junction with 10.

The Marion Freshman-Sophomore team won its match with the Wilton Junction reserves, 49-10. Leffingwell was high for the Little Indians with 32 points.

## FOUR LOCAL PLAYERS ON WAMAC TEAM

At a WaMaC conference dinner held at the KV Cafe on Wednesday, November 16, four Marion football players were placed on the WaMaC conference first team. They were Corky Abernathy, guard; George Palmer, tackle; Dick Krog, halfback; and Dave Rathje, fullback.

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THANKSGIVING PICTURE

#### Before

The succulent turkey, the fluffy potatoes,

The mouth-wat'ring stuffing, the spiced flaky pies,

The cranberry Jelly, bitter-sweet, shimmering,

Crisp celery, tart olives -- this sight meets my eyes.

#### After

We push back from the table with wellsatisfied groans,

Casting a glance at the bare turkey bones.

The dressing? Potatoes? Consumed long ago-

Only some celery and olives to show That the table was laden with good things to eat.

Then, with great effort we get to our feet

And think of the things we are thankful for:

Food, health, freedom, and many things more.

## Editorial

Tomorrow, November 24, is Thanksgiving, a national holiday. It will be
celebrated in the millions of homes across the nation with bounteous dinners
and family reunions. It is a time of
thanksgiving to God for bountiful harvests and national mercies. Thanksgiving is typically and originally American.
It was originated by the Pilgrims in
1621 and is typical only of a democracy
such as ours.

If each of us were to count our blessings tomorrow, I wonder how many would include our American government and way of life. It is really the greatest blessing of all, you know, for without it we would have few of the other things we prize so highly.

We, as citizens of the United States, have our Constitution, Bill of Rights, Congress, state legislatures, courts, peace officers, and armed forces to protect and defend our rights. Are not these things to be thankful for?

Tomorrow let's take a moment to thank God for our democracy and dedicate ourselves to defending, preserving, improving, and spreading the democracy which enables us to have Thanksgiving.

most eligible bacheior

Our annual girl-take-boy dance this year can be counted as a big success. The record crowd came attired in everything from jeans to potato sacks and danced from 7:30 to 11:00.

Entertainment for the floor show was provided by the Mixed Quartet, the Dogpatch Three, tap dancing by Dee Dee J., Sandra B.'s rendition of "You're Breaking My Heart", monologue by Roberta S., and last but not least, the lower Slobbovian Band, directed by Bob Quinn.

The climax of the evening was the crowning of this year's most eligible bachelor, Dick Krog, by G.A.A. President Janet McCune.

Prizes went to Margaret N. and Rudy. J., dressed as Lil' Abner and Daisy Mae, and to William (Wilma) Nielson as the best costumed stag.

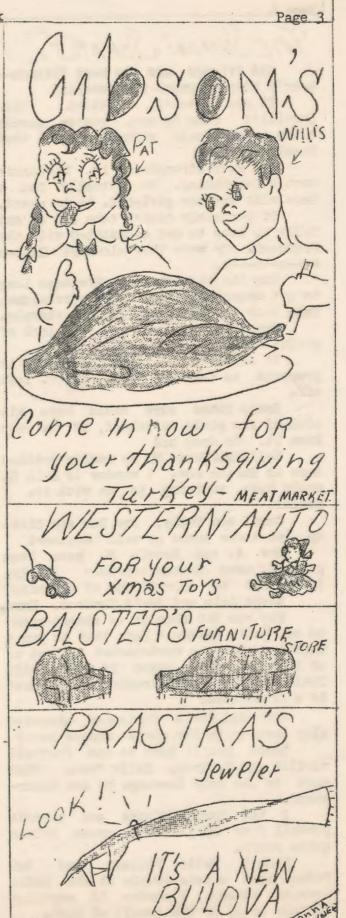
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

--- Darlene Janko, Lois Miller -----Bette Whitman ----Bob Quinn ----Bill Ransier -- Marlys Stanbro, Bob Williams -----Barrie Gable -- Jim Lang --- Patty Howe -----Marvin Novotny -- Earl Weaver --- Raymond Robbins -Donald Dean -- Elva Jean Peick, Sharon Wilson -- Cosett Clemens -Richard Blackford -- Darlene Harris -Charles Kost -Tommy Kerns -Richard Nohr









Old friends are the best friends-aren't they, Raymond and Cecelia?

If you haven't noticed Terrill's ring by now, you're surely blind. How could anyone miss lovely sparkle?

Don H.'s stronghold in Wisconsin must be weakening. He actually had a date with another girl-K.V. to be exact.

It certainly didn't take Bob Q. and Billy M. long to get acquainted with the Freshmen. Or were they already? Hm --- m m---m--m-

Nor did it take some Freshmen long to get acquainted with the upperclassmen. Take Nick N. and Gloria M., for example.

How did Charles K. get that lock of girls' hair?

It sorta looks like George G. is prepared to take up where Bob T. left off.

Ernie Cates sure could have his pick of the girls in school, if he only knew it. Or does he?

Well, Marjorie M. is really settled here in Marion now. I wonder if Bill H. could have anything to do with it. I wonder!

Carol and Tommy; Dee Dee and Dick! My, but those names go well together!

Bev A. and Ronnie M. have been going to many dances together lately. Could that be significant of anything?

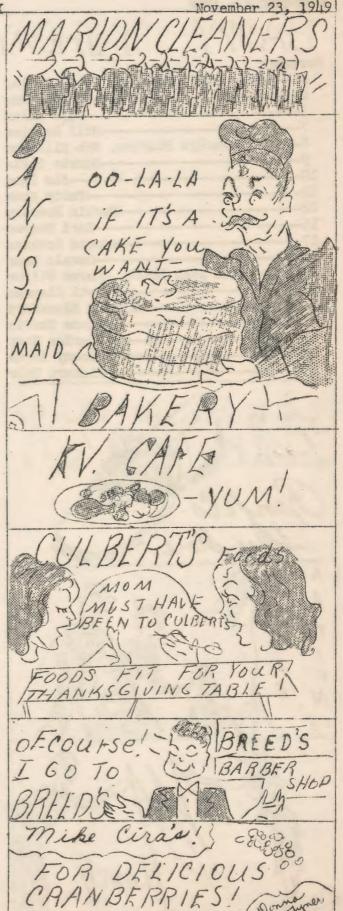
Marge Lala and Edwin Carlson. Hmmm. Why was Bob Wheeler so absent-minded on Sadie Hawkins' Day that he put a magazine in the wastebasket instead of on the dictionary stand in study hall? Could he have been looking at Margaret in a front seat?

How did Edwin Carlson's absentee slip turn up in the girls' shower room?

Guess you'll have to use football tactics on D. Krog, Sally Byam. must be the only language he can understand.

I bet Sandra Blazek and Roberta Schnell find the Liebes' green Hudson quite comfy.

Bette Whitman and Didn't Tudeen make a cute couple at the Sadie I wonder if anything Hawkins Dance? serious could be the result of that.



#### "CAMPUS DAZE"

The mixed chorus and glee clubs are working together very diligently to produce an operetta, Campus Daze, to be given December 8 and 9. It is a comedy centering around a girl going to college.

In the cast Sandra Blazek, Billy Lundquist, Mary Lou Nielsen, and David McCalley provide the love interests, while Edwin Carlson, Sam Baez, Pat Howe, Dixie Rathman, and Sue Cary are the others having leading parts.

There are several enjoyable character roles in the operetta but why not wait to see them for yourselves? Mrs. Hulin and Mr. Wright are joining forces in putting on this operetta.

#### Movies of School Events Shown

The Science Club met Thursday, November 10, in the science room. Films taken by Mr. Swartzendruber and Mr. Yeoman of some school events were shown. These are part of a series of movies to be taken of events throughout the school year. Also some negatives were developed, and some prints were made in the new photo lab.

### Hi-Y-Sponsored Dance

The Hi-Y met in room 308 Thursday, November 3. Plans were made for a Hi-Y-sponsored dance to be held December 2. Six members attended the district Hi-Y meeting at Davenport, Iowa, Saturday, November 19.

### New Group Projects

The Dramatic Club is initiating group projects this year, and two groups are producing one-act plays: "One of Us", a mystery drama, and "Call Me John", a gay comedy. The third group will give monologues, play production talks, and pantomines.

The club hopes to be able to present these plays in our Friday assemblies.

### Dictaphone Demonstration

The Senior Commercial Club enjoyed an interesting dictaphone demonstration given by Mr. Danluck, representative of the Dictaphone Corporation from Davenport, Iowa. He pointed out the various changes in the progress of the dictaphone. He brought to our attention a new smaller dictaphone about the size of standard business stationery that was featured in "Top O' The Morning" with Bing Crosby, Barry Fitzgerald, and Ann Blythe. This small black box records on a memobelt instead of a cylinder.

## Marching Season Ends

The band's marching season will come to an end November 25 when it will march in the Santa Claus Parade. On October 31 the band also marched in the Mardi Gras Parade. band has done a good job this year considering the number of grade large school students in Basketball games will be next on the agenda with an augmented pep band.



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please."

line voice saying, "All right, put on the brakes." "My heavens, is the man I'm not going to put on the crazy? brakes, we're going up a hill!" Again

the request is repeated--"The brakes,

startled by some loud laughter, think nothing of it. Ten to one it is Mr. Hulin relating to Mr. Vernon some anecdotes about the Drivers' Training Course which is making its initial appearance at M.H.S. this year.

If any of you have been walking past the office lately, and have been

There are sixteen girls enrolled this semester. They are divided into four groups which each meet one day a week. The first three weeks were devoted to classwork but since then, after obtaining our learners' permits, we have been on the road.

Just so you can get an idea of what goes on, we'll go through a typical class.

At 3:10 the girls go downstairs where they meet Mr. Hulin. Then all proceed to the car, which is parked in back of the school. As soon as the door is unlocked there is a mad scramble to sit in the back seat. Unfortunately, there is only room for three, and the poor, unlucky soul left over has to back out. Now it isn't so bad, but we used to have to back out amid the jeers from some football boys, some of whom even came out in their bare feet to watch.

Then the fun begins. Let's see-you press the starter. That's funny-nothing happened. Try again. Oh, you forgot to turn on the ignition! (Laughter from the back seat.) Finally you hit upon the combination and the motor is running. Now, push in the clutch, shift, and here we go. Now, what's wrong? Then a dry voice reminds you--"Since when have you been able to start in high?" How could that be? You're sure you put it in low. (More suppressed laughter from the back seat.) Again we start. One, two, three jerks and we are finally rolling.

"Where do we go today?" you croak timidly. "To Thomas Park," Mr. replies nonchalantly. Whatever could we do there? Soon you find out. The obstacle is the long road that winds from the pool to the highway. "This isn't bad," you think smugly to yourself. As soon as you are half way up the incline, you're jarred back to earth by a mascu-

O.K., you think grimly, if that's what he wants, that's what he'll get. You put on the brakes. Books fly from the ledge, girls grasp on to the seat, there are a few snickers. "Gee," you

think, "did I cause all that?"

"All right, you can start now." You take your foot off the brake and by the time it has found its way over to the gas, you are half-way down the hill. "Come on; step on it; what are you waiting for?" Grimly gnashing your teeth, you give it the gas, Wheels spin and dust flies, but you are going forward. "Roll down the window, please," says Mr. H. Suddenly you are jarred violently. He put on the brakes! "What did I do? I was just rolling down the window as you said to. "Yes, but next time let's just use one hand please," he suggested dryly. "That's all for today." Limply you crawl into the back seat. "Next victim," says Mr. Hulin cheerfully.

