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MARION TRIMS MCKINLEY

3 HOW STILL SILLES OF STILL SILLES

The Quill Benefit Show, an annual affair sponsored by the senior class, will be presented January 31st at the Marion Theater.

High school students supply the talent for this show. There will be some repeat performances from last year's benefit, but many completely new and different acts have been added. Dean Knight will play his accordian, Margie Morningstar will play the piano, some couples will take an "old-fashioned walk." There will be tumbling, dancing, singing, and acting. The seniors will remember their freshman assembly play as it comes to life once more.

A movie, "My Wild Irish Rose", will be shown following the stage show through the courtesy of Mr. Gilbert Rathman.

The money from the Quill Benefit helps finance the production of the "Quill", the school yearbook. A successful Quill Benefit means a bigger and better "Quill".

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Once a week the seniors are being shown Harvard College films designed to improve their reading speed and comprehension. Mr. Vernon is conducting the classes and he reports that if the plan proves successful it will be used next year.

January 30-Band clinic at Waterloo.

February 2--Art Stejskal, Assistant Boys' Director of the Y.M.C.A. shall speak to Hi-Y.

February 8--WaMaC Conference 1950 election of officers. J. F. Swartzendruber is the present secretary.

February 18-Band presents a "Musical Varieties" program to raise money for contest. Both beginner's and regular band will play.

February 16--Sargeant Nieland of the Iowa Highway Patrol will present a program and movie, "Teen-Age Driving." The program, especially for Hi-Y parents, is open to the public.

Anxious to avenge a defeat suffered at the hands of another Cedar Rapids school at the Coe gym, the Marion Indians trimmed McKinley, 34-28, Tuesday, January 24.

The Golden Bears took an early lead, but the Indians soon found the range and began to sink baskets. After coming from behind in the first quarter (8-12), the Indians passed the Bears! scoring to lead 18-16 at the half. The Indians continued their scoring streak as the second half began and led 25-18 at the end of the third quarter. Last minute scoring by the Bears proved futile and the Indians went ahead to win, 34-28. Barrie Gable took scoring honors with 14 points.

The Freshman-Sophomore squad lost their game to the McKinley team, 35-52. The Little Bears took an early lead and maintained it until the end. Hugh Leffingwell was high scorer with 18 points. Stoddard was high for the Little Bears with 15.

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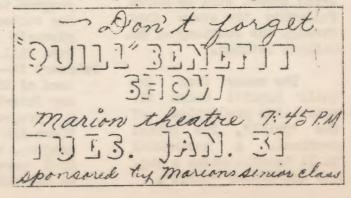
The first semester is over, and the grades are now history. Some students were disappointed, some were surprised, and some were satisfied at the results, but most of you realized that whatever they were your grades were what you deserved.

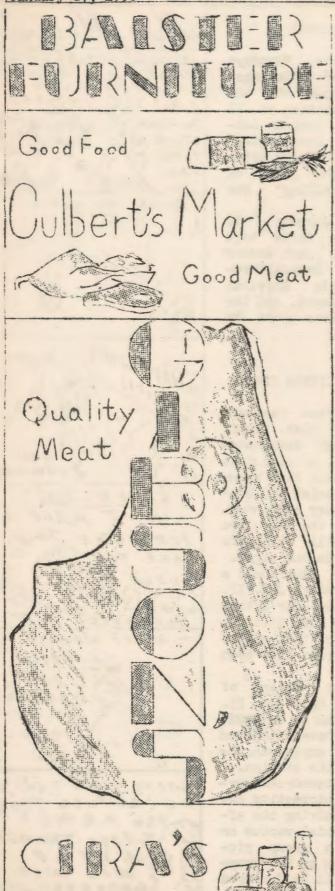
In every school there are "smart" students, "average" students, and "below-average or failing" students. Some of course fall into these groups because of their mental ability, but there are students who receive below-average or failing grades simply because they are mentally lazy. A little more effort on the part of these students would bring them better grades and give them a greater interest in their school.

We are now starting a new semester as well as a new year. This is an opportunity for all of us to make a new effort to do our best in our schoolwork and outside activities. Every year that we are in school, we have an opportunity to succeed. Each school year we get a fresh start. After graduation there are fewer and fewer chances to start over, to begin anew. So, if you haven't made the effort to do your best, make it now. It isn't too late to make this school year a successful one. And that a good high school record and education will never hurt anyone in his future life.

QUILL GROUP PICTURES

We all had to "smile for the birdie" last Monday morning for the photographer was here to take the pictures for the Quill of all the various clubs and organizations in high school.





JUNIOR HIGH PLANS A NEWSPAPER

Plans are afoot for the Junior High to put out their own newspaper; however, they are still in the formative stage. Mr. Hill, the junior high principal, says, "It is like an overdue egg; it was laid early this year but has not hatched yet."

A staff has been chosen and approved by the students. It includes Charlese Birmingham, Penny Ensminger, Susanne Holmes, Carol Hutton, Dan Kellams, Joyce Kolda, Mary Pazour, Shirley Post, Jerry Walker, and Carol Whitmer.

Specific duties have not been assigned as yet. A production staff is to be selected later.

The present plans are to publish their newspaper every six weeks. It will not be for sale, but will be distributed among the students.

OUR WEATHER 1 1

TIME: Winter
PLACE: Resort in the Florida Keys
ACTORS: Mr. I. Can. Prophet, Ice, Snow,
Fog, Sleet, Rain, and Cold.

As the scene opens, we find the principal character, Mr. I. Can. Prophet, alias the weatherman, reclining on his couch, a mint julep in one hand and a fam in the other. He gazes out over the blue waters and languidly sips his drink.

Enter Ice, followed closely by his helpers, Sleet, Snow, Rain, Fog, and Cold. "Did you summon us, master?" they inquire.

"Yes, I did," he replies. "I have reports that California is enjoying 'our nice Florida Sunshine that I ordered for Iowa. I want you boys to go to California, take his place, and send him to Iowa where he belongs."

With that they left, but decided to pass over Iowa on their way to see just what Sunshine's new home was to be like.

When they saw how much nicer Iowa was than California, they all decided to stop and spend a few weeks. And that's why we have these visitors. So you see, we really are very lucky. Who else would choose to vacation in Iowa instead of California?

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

Something new was tried this year for our Christmas Assembly and it was enjoyed very much by everyone.

The Marion School band and the Glee Club opened the program with "Silent Night." Then the Christmas Story was read by Corwin Abernathy. This was filled in at intervals appropriate with the Christmas music by the band and the glee clubs. The program was under the direction of Mrs. Hulin and Mr. Wright.

G. A. A.

Friday, the thirteenth, after the Anamosa game, the G. A. A. sponsored a dance.

The seniors won the volleyball tournament.

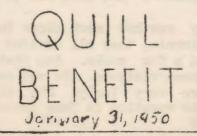
The girls are now practicing for a basket-ball tournament.

ALPHA BETA GAMMA

Alpha Beta Gamma met Thursday, January 26, in the typing room, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Seeley of Cedar Rapids gave a very interesting and educational demonstration of various Underwood office machines.

George Gipp took pictures of the group for the annual.



SPANISH CLUB

Two movies, "Sundays in Mexico" and " "Tehuane-pec" were shown at the January 12 meeting of El Club Espanol. Recent Latin American News items were given by Helen Reichert, and the game of "Railroad Spelling" was played.

At the January 26 meeting, Miss Haffa told about her trip last summer to Guatemala. Several records of Latin American music were played, and the news items were given by Joyce Trpkosh.

HI-Y AND SCIENCE CLUB

A new system has been developed for club times. This new method designates Thursday night as club night. Hi-Y and Science Club alternate with Spanish and Dramatic Club every other week. On this night the two clubs that meet will alternate the hours seven and eight.

The Hi-Y Club held a meeting Thursday, Jan. 19. Plans were made for a tour of the Marion Fire Station. It was reported that all of the Hi-Y pencils have been sold.

The last meeting of this club was held Jan. 25. The members had an enjoyable evening with Dave Rathje and other firemen explaining the procedure at the station.

Mr. Swartzendruber carried on an interesting experiment involving the effect of a partial vacuum on water. Also a group picture was taken by Mr. Hampton. This will be featured in the next issue of a science newspaper.



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Mary Ruth, why won't you give Bob Q. a chance? Is Don Rose too much competition?

Bob T. is quite the ladies man. Glenna P. is now his girl-of-the-hour.

Jerry C. and June D. are the "Lil' Abner and Daisy Mae" of M. H. S. Don't give up, June!

Some little Jr. High girls seem to think Shorty N. is quite the fellow. Especially Elaine, isn't that right, Shorty?

We hear that Kay Kearns has a big chush on Donny Morrison.

Who walks home with Leota H.? Could it be you, George P.?

Who's keeping Jeannine M. busy on Saturday nights.

Billy Neilson seems to want to stir up an old flame. Are you willing, Helen?

Arlo, is it true that Teresa G. makes your heart beat just a little faster?

Dixie R. is keeping the mailman busy these days.

Sandra B. is trying to forget Bill and make-up with Phil. Confusing, isn't it!

Anna Mae P. and Harry O. --- How long has this been going on?

Why doesn't some freshman girl put her brand on Phil DeWees? He'd be quite a catch.

Jean, ask Chris what he means when he says "Mum's the word". Is he keeping something from you?

Wanted: Kay N. for my girl. For details, see Alton S.

George K. and Mary Lou N.--will miracles never cease?

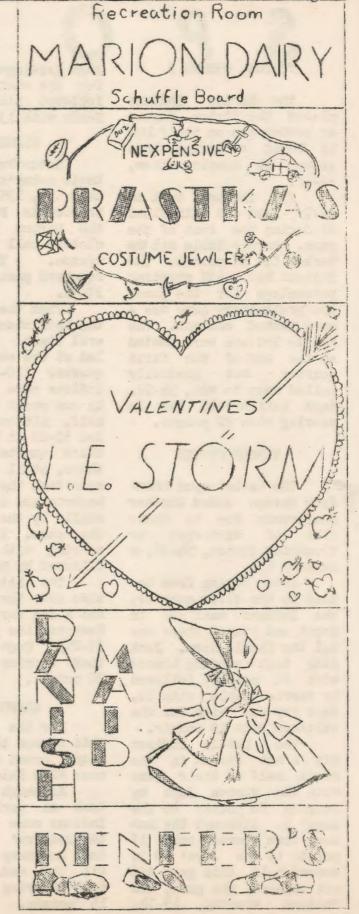
Lynn J. needs a girl with a blue dress to match his new Chevy.

Wanted: A new pair of flats for myself or a pair of Adler built-ups for Leo. See Nancy K.

It is rumored that Betty Ann is always Rushing after a certain Soph. (Boy, that is.)

We hear Don Christensen has another Junior admirer. How about it J. Crowley?

Has anyone (girls) noticed Bruce P. in typing class yet? Bruce is a new student from Alburnett.





The Marion Indians placed the Tipton Tigers as number two on their list of WaMaC victories this season by dumping them, 57-42.

The Indians took an early lead and maintained it during the rest of the game. Barrie Gable hit the basket for 25 points. The Indians had a 43% shooting percentage for the game. The preliminary game was a more heated contest. The Little Indians were behind at the end of the first quarter but gradually pulled away to win, 54-32. Hugh Leffingwell led in scoring with 22 points.

VINTON OUSTED

The basket-eyed braves from Marion added another conference foe to their list of victories by trouncing Vinton, 54-38, on January 6.

After coming from behind in the first quarter, the Indians went out in front and stayed there until the final horn. Jack King took scoring honors with 20 points, followed by Barrie Gable with lh. Jack Fry was high for the visitors with 19 points.

The Little Indians hit a hot streak in the first half of their game with the Vinton Jays by scoring 26 points to the Jays' 4. Although the Marion team scored only 17 points to the Jays' 30 in second half, this gain did not capture the game, the Indians winning, 43-34.

Hugh Leffingwell was high for the victors with 16, followed closely by Russ Seeks with 13.

CLOSE CALL

Basketball fans got their money's worth on January 10, 1950, when the Monticello Panthers gave the Marion Indians their closest call of the WaMaC season. The Indians squeezed past the Panthers, 37-35.

From the very first the lead changed hands sev-The Panthers eral times. led at the end of the first quarter (10-13), but the Indians came back to lead by one point (24-23) at the half. Although the Indians led 30-28 at the end of the third quarter, the Panthers, still in the game, soon took the lead. More baskets and a last minute stall by the Indians won the game. King led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Gable with 10.

The Little Panthers also gave the Little Indians a run for their money. However, the Indians won, 37-25. Hugh Leffingwell took scoring honors with 20 points.

ANAMOSA. OUT

For the second time this season the Marion Indians nosed out the Anamosa Blue Raiders, 58-38.

Although the Raiders took an early lead, the Indians came back to pass the Raiders' score and to take and keep the lead until the end. Jack King took scoring honors with 15 points, followed by

Barrie Gable with 13.

The Anamosa Freshman-Sophomore team, which had given the Little Indians their closest call of the season in the previous game, didn't have the pep to even up the score, the Little Indians winning, 41-23. Hugh Leffingwell led in scoring with 17 points.

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SPRINGVILLE FAILS

The Springville Orioles failed for the second time this season to down the Marion Indians, the Indians winning, 53-33.

The scoring ran close at the first, but the Indians eventually pulled away to lead and win, 53-33. Jack King led in scoring with 19 points, followed by Gable with 12. The Little Indians won the preliminary game, 39-24. Hugh Leffingwell took scoring honors with 20 points.

CLOSE CALL NO. 2

The Independence Marons gave the Marion Indians close call number two in a game there Friday, January 20. The final score read, Marion 37, Independence 33.

The Indians, leading by a half-time score of 26-15, scored only two points to the Maroons' ten in the third period. Last minute stalling and Maroon fouls advanced the Marion score to 37 from a 28-28 tie. Johnson led in scoring with 11 points.

The Little Indians won their game, 48-23. Hugh Leffingwell was high point man with 29 points.