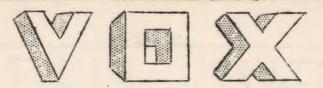


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MARION HIGH SCHOOL Marion, Iowa

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MARION DEFEATS MAQUOKETA

TALENT REVIEW ENJOYED

The fifth annual Quill Benefit Show, directed by Mrs. Deeds and Miss Frank-enfield, was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. Pat Howe as the Master of Ceremonies and Bill Hintz as the comedian provided the gab and jokes during the pauses between acts.

A class talent review showed promise of ability for a few years to come and also the loss of some good senior talent. The portrayal of a so-called "typical" afternoon at a sewing club had everyone in stitches.

Mr. Rathman's generosity in providing the theatre and Mrs. Hulin's assistance with the musical numbers also contributed to the success of the show.

Of \$475.00 taken in, \$300.00 was clear profit to be used for the Quill. Remembering the success of the 1950 Quill Benefit Show, everyone will be looking forward to next year's.

FACULTY

ENTERTAIN

The men of the MHS faculty entertained the women of the faculty and their guests, the faculty of the Marion Rural School, at a chili supper Wednesday evening, February 15, in the gymnasium.

Mr. Hill was in charge of serving; Mr. Hipple served the pie; Mr. Hulin supplied the beverages; Mr. Schmidt provided the crackers and pickles; Mr. Swartzendruber figured the costs and provided the publicity; Mr. Vernon made the chili; Mr. Waltmire decorated the tables; Mr. Wright collected the fees; Mr. Yeoman concocted the salad; and Mr. McLeod, being the President, was required to do nothing but eat.

Miss Ruth H. Wagner, representative of the Iowa State Education Association and Assistant Editor of Midland Schools, provided the program.

SCORES 20 POINTS

The Marion five tilted a Maquoketa team, 67-47, in the only game with the Cardinals this season. The Maquoketa five stepped out ahead early in the game, but the Indians' scoring power soon surpassed that of the Cardinals. Leading by a half time score of 33-20, the Indians went ahead to win, 67-47. Dick Johnson's 20 points topped all other Indian seoring.

Recovering from their game with the Vinton Jays, the Little Indians went ahead to win 34-20, without the aid of their two regular forwards, Leffingwell and Seeks. Lundquist was high man with 9, followed closely by Hayes with 8.

MARY ANN ROSS D.A.R. CANDIDATE

Mary Ann Ross was chosen a candidate in the Linn county contest which a winner for the D. A. R. Good Citizenship Pilgrimage Award was to be Mary Ann was selected. chosen for outstanding scholarship, citizenship, leadership, patriotism, and service.

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VALENTINE'S DAY

Bits of lace, love words, red paper hearts; these can mean but one thing—Valentine's Day. Busy are the postmen's feet as they deliver these missiles of love and friendship to lovers, friends and relatives. Happy are the hearts and faces of those who receive them. What a beautiful spirit Valentine's Day has! It is truly a lovers' day.

The most reliable account of the origin of this day is that it is the day of the death of two Saint Valentines on February 14. Their deaths fell toward spring, and the connection was purely accidental.

The custom of sending valentines and gifts on this day started because it was believed that this was the day on which birds chose their mates. The custom long prevailed on that day of drawing lots to determine which young men and women were to be each others "valentines" for the coming year. The couples thus drawn exchanged gifts. Later the custom of giving presents on Valentine's Day was confined to men.

The custom does not prevail in Britain any longer, but we Americans still send gifts of candy and sentimental valentines on that day.

EDITORIAL

This is a good time to pay tribute to a truly great American statesman, George Washington, whose birthday is February twenty-second. He was a great figure in the Revolutionary period. He achieved this greatness through many traits of good character. One of these was his policy of honesty. Although the incident about the cherry tree has never been proven it still is a good parable to show his true nature.

We, in our lives today, seldom think of how important it is to have this trait to fall back on. In looking for worthy applicants for jobs, employers frequently look back into the past of the applicant. In doing this, school records provide the best form of reference. Included in these records are the character traits of each student. Honesty is considered one of the most important of these. In order to build up this record, honesty in daily life should be practiced.

What would you do if a stranger unmindfully dropped a dollar bill in front of you? What would you do if in a test you had a chance to copy from a smart student next to you? These are just a few experiences which we might encounter and thus really have a test of our true nature.

When we do meet a trial like that, let's stop and remember a moment how well Washington got along by pure honesty, and maybe we will try to model our character after his.



One of the best examples of democracy in the United States is Lincoln's For who would election as President. believe that a poor frontier boy with barely any education, except what he had taught himself, would reach that high office.

Heavy on his bent shoulders were the burdens of a troubled nation during the Civil War. Because of the way he preserved the Union, by preventing the Confederate states from breaking away, he is considered one of the greatest men in history.

He is one of the foremost men in the minds of colored people, too, for during his administration the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States was passed. It freed the The Fourteenth Amendment made them citizens of the United States; the Fifteenth Amendment gave them the right to vote.

How great this man was! He did two of the biggest things for our United States -- he kept it united and freed the Negroes, made them citizens, and gave them the right to vote.

His birthday was February 12-the birthday of a man whose principles were

nearly as great as, His.

Other girls get valentines with hearts and paper laces;

Why is it that the boys have fallen for the pretty faces?

The valentines saying, "I love you dear, and send you hugs and kisses,"

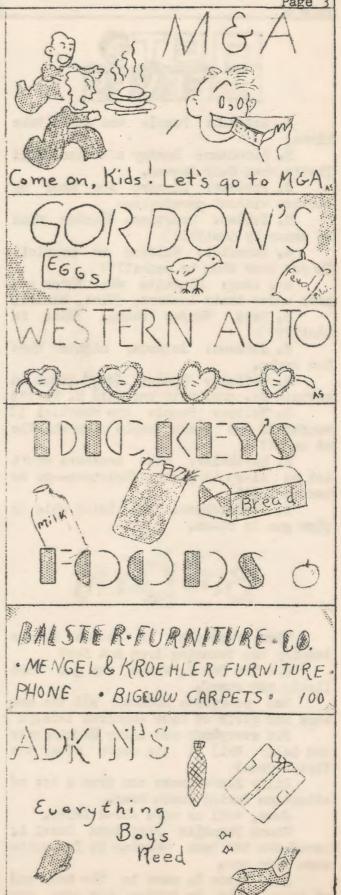
Are brought by the postman in his bag to the homes of other misses.

(Oh, life is hard in this Age Atomic; The valentines sent to me are comic. But here's a pretty valentine hearts and lace entwined.

Oh, good! But wait! That's happened here? The message is unsigned.

Now other girls would be curious, but of course, I'd never be.

"Curiosity killed the cat." (Let's see, who'd send it to me?)





A. Solomon: People who can't take hints.

H. Richmann: Sunday afternoons!!!! That's when Rudy leaves.

J. Freeman: Sisters who wear my clothes without permission.

B. Tudeen: Smarties. (Wonder what he means by that????)

A. Benedict: Waiting on people!

(Do you know whom he means????)

Mr. Lang: Students who throw papers under their lockers. (Hint, hint: 1)

D. Hay: Wonder Paste. (What is that????)

S. Jackson: Saturday nights when Don works.

B. Neilson: Women! (What about a certain Jr. girl with initials H. R.????

R. Welton: People who whistle: (I wonder if she means people who whistle at her????)

R. Meythaler: When teachers won't let me sleep in class. (Solution--go to bed early!!!)

A. Hendrickson: Not being able to chew gum in class.



Whom (Freshman) is Jeanne Emmons keeping her branding iron hot for?

Ask Dee Dee J. where she got that flashy new scarf.

Has everybody noticed all the new boys and girls we have acquired lately?

Did everybody see Larry Morningstar and Sally Hall at the dance after the Tipton game?

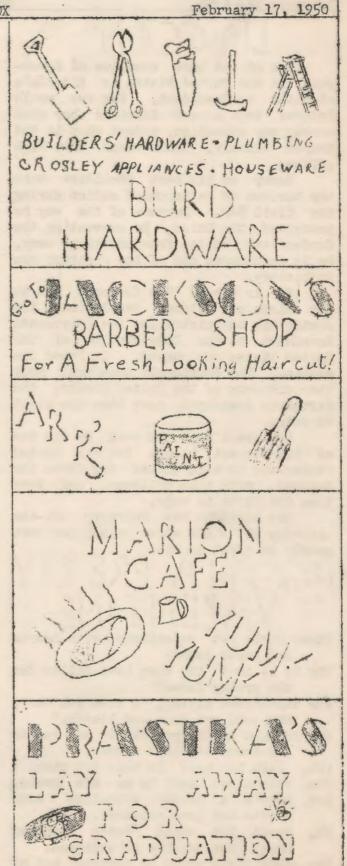
Billy Fisher sure can draw a lot of

attention during lunch hour.

June, tell us more about Larry,

Whose Franklin ring does Carol L. have? She has been wearing it for quite some time now.

Did Bruce H. move to the east end of town, or is he taking the long way home from Ruth R's?



ELGIN WATCH



On Monday, January 31, five drummers from Marion attended the Percussion Clinic at Waterloo. Their instructor for the day was Mr. Robert Buggert from the University of Kansas at Wichita, Kansas. They learned many things; among them was how to play the rhumba. It was the first clinic of this type these drummers had attended.

On February 13 the band presented a "Musical Varieties" program. A few numbers by the Beginners' Band preceded a concert by the Senior Band. The proceeds from this program will go toward transportation expenses to contest in the spring.



Mrs. Hulin is keeping her students busy these days working on contest music. A small group will go to the vocal music clinic in Iowa City on February 18. Mr. Peter Tkach from Minneapolis, Minnesota will be critic judge.

CONTEST ASSEMBLY

Some novel contests were held in the assembly Friday, February third. The volume of cheering was recorded by an electric applause meter. The Juniors were victorious over the Freshmen and the Sen-

iors over the Sophomores. The masculine voices showed a greater volume than those of the weaker sex, naturally.

A movie, entitled "It Doesn't Matter What You Think", concluded the assembly program. It was a British film about the formation of opinions.

SPANISH CLUB

"The Day is New", a movie telling the activities of a Latin-American family from the time they get up in the morning 'til they go to bed at night, was shown at a meeting of the Spanish Club February ninth.

Joyce Trpkosh read the Latin-American news reports.

At the next meeting Miss Mentzer will tell about her trip to Mexico.

NOVELTY DANCES

On January 25, after a victory over Manchester the Senior class sponsored a dance to add to the funds available for the publication of the Quill. Music was provided by records.

The Student Council sponsored a March of Dimes dance after the game February 3. Students attending were to wear stocking caps and dance in their stocking feet. Sailor hats and shoes predominated. Quite a few attended, and all seemed to enjoy the "whistle dances" most.

HI-Y

The Marion Hi-Y held its regular meeting on

February 2. They elected two boys to go to the Iowa Hi-Y Youth and Government Program in Des Moines. Don Stamy was elected as Senator and Edwin Blinks as Representative from the Marion Hi-Y Club. They will go to a pre-legislative meeting on April 21 and 22.

The club had an enjoyable swim at the YMCA on February 6.

SQUARE DANGING

Last Friday night between the Marion-Maquoketa game sixteen girls participated in a small skit of square dancing.

Eight of the girls were dressed as boys in bright plaid shirts, straw hats, and overalls. The remaining girls wore peasant blouses and cotton circular skirts. Their numbers included the "Virginia Reel" and "Shoo Fly". Mrs. Goodyear was in charge of the square dancing.

DRAMATIC CLUB

This afternoon a group will present a play entitled, "One of Us", in assembly. It is one of the projects of the first semester. Also on Friday, February 24, Dramatic Club will sponsor a dance. See you there!

In the future the members are going to put on a three act play. This you will hear more about later.







The rule when teacher's talking,
Is wait until she's through
Before you put your oar in;
She'll thank you if you do.



In coming through a doorway
The boorish thing to do
Is slam the door with vigor

On someone else's shoe.



Dashing pell-mell with the bell

Is a fireman's job you know;

But smarter students you can tell

Because they take it slow.

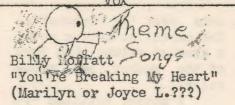
From the Sunset Stampede, Dallas, Texas, comes this freshman's impression of a senior:

A senior stood on the railroad track;

The train was coming fast;

The train got off the railroad track

To let the senior pass.



Joe Horrick "Georgia On My Hind" (Enough said!)

"I Only Want A Buddy Not A Sweetheart" (Why, Leotalli)

Carol Luck
"Sitting By The Window"
(Waiting for Clark?)

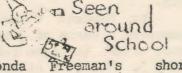
Marlene Horning
"Jealous Heart"
(What's wrong, Marlene??)

Bill Hintz "Margie" (I wonder why??)

Arline Stroope
"Love Somebody, Yes I Do"
(Could it be George P.?)

Lynn Johnson
"In My Merry Oldsmobile"
(Chevrolet, that is.)

Marjorie Morningstar
"Lover's Lullaby"
(Why, Marjorie!!)



Vonda Freeman's short hair.

Lynn Johnson's new car.

Shirlee Pinch's pretty eyes.

Don Christensen's dimples.

All the Senior pictures.

Sally Berlin's shyness.

Dick Johnson's pretty shirts,

Caroline Tallman's cute figure.

Howard Hudson's height.

Marge Lala's sparkling personality.

SCIENCE

Zeta Mu Epsilon held an initiation on February 3, in rooms 306 and 307. The new members that were initiated had been on probation for the first semester. By the end of this probationary period they were all supposed to have handed in a project.

The initiation was informal. First, they were sent out on individual projects, such as going to the cemetery and locating a certain grave, or walking through town carrying a sign saying that they predicted a flood, etc. When they had done that, they returned to the school building and were given (while blindfolded) a drink to quench their thirst for knowledge which was a horrible concoction composed of grapefruit juice, coffee spices, Worcestershire sauce, and everything that could be found. Then they were given a shock to stimulate their brains. Finally, they were given the food of knowledge which was raw oysters.

As the last step of their gruesome ordeal, the initiates cleaned up the "mess" that was left. As soon as that was over, they were permitted to go home.



Inquiring Reporter



Question: If you could have one wish what would it be?

B. Whitman--a certain junior. (Anybody know whom she means?)

H. Reichert-to be a famous actress.

(But Bill lives on the farm.)

N. Harris -- a ticket to Iowa City. (Now, why would Norma want to go to Iowa City?)

S. Jackson—a heater for the convertible. (That shouldn't be necessary.)

B. Abernathy-a certain party. (Won't you please tell?)

K. Lint-a new Hudson convertible and Linda Darnell. (Silly boy!)

C. Tallman--just to be happy. (Maybe a certain blue-eyed Senior could help that along.)

Mr. Yeoman--peace and quiet. (Mr. Yeoman, you know very well we are all perfect angels.)

Howard Hudson—a milk cow with a faucet. (We'll see what we can do.)

Jack Edmunds—a cream-colored Mercury.

(Just to satisfy Marilyn?)

H. Richmann—a driver's license. (What's the matter, Helen, won't Rudy let you drive?)

B. Williams—all the other wishes that I've ever wished for. (Not much to add, or is there?)

Mr. Schmidt—that all nations might live together in peace. (Don't we all?)



Who chopped down the Cherry Tree? Who? Who?

This culprit was always a truthful lad, but when it came to the cherry tree, oh, oh! Well, most little boys get punished for such things, so little Georgie did too.

The tall and muscular boy could outrun or outwalk any of his companions. As he grew clier, he became not only a great soldier, but equally great as a

statesman, and even greater as a leader of men, but greatest of all as a man.

He became the first President of the nation. During his term as President he served his fellow men with all the will that he had. Two hours before his death he finished all of his work.

He died in perfect peace on December 14. His body was put in the family vault at Mount Vernon. The end of his life was a great shock to everyone. Yes, you've guessed who it is——George Washington.

Maybe you haven't noticed, but there are several new faces around Marion High.

The youngest belongs to Jerry Huerter-a dark haired, dark eyed Freshman. This nice looking 15-year-old lad hails from Anamosa. He has three brothers and three sisters.

The first thing you notice about 18-year-old Howard Hudson is his height. He's six feet and three and one half inches tall! He has many hobbies, but the latest is photography. Manual training is his favorite subject. This former Franklinite is a Senior.

Joanna Burgess is our only new girl student. This 16-year-old lassie comes from Perry, Iowa. They lost a good gal when they lost Joanna, because I can tell from the twinkle in her eye that we're going to like her. Art is the favorite subject of this Junior.

Alburnett lost a nice guy when they lost Bruce Platner. We gained a tenth grader who was active in band, sports, and vocal music. His hobby is sports, and he likes all subjects in school.



SPORTS

Trying for their 7th conference win, the Marion five outscored a Manchester team, 54-34, Friday night, January 27.

The Manchester team took an early lead, but the Indians soon passed the Manchester mark to lead 32-20 at the end of the first half. After the half-time, the Manchester five tried unsuccessfully to outscore the Marion team, the Indians winning, 54-34. Jack King was high with 18 points, followed by Barrie Gable with 16. Jones was high for the visitors with 16.

In the preliminary game the Little Indians took an early lead and kept it until the final horn. The score was Marion, 61, Manchester, 22. Hugh Leffingwell took scoring honors with 30 points.

TIPTON SIDETRACKED

The Tipton Tigers provided the Marion Indians with a topsy-turvy first half during the second game of the WaMaC season between the two teams.

The Tigers first took the lead, but the Indians came back to even up the During the 2nd score. quarter the score changed hands many times. However, the Indians went out to lead at the end of the first half, 26-22. The Tigers seemed to their scoring power as the second half progressed. by a score of Leading 43-26 at the end of the third quarter, the Indians went out to win 58-34. Barrie Gable took scoring honors for the home team with 18 points, followed by Jack King with 14. Hamilton was high for the Tigers with 12.

The little Tigers provided little resistance to the Little Indians' scoring, the final score reading Marion 52, Tipton 17. Hugh Leffingwell was high point man with 30 points.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

4-----Teresa Gritzner ----Eugene Novak ----Shirlee Pinch -----Bill Fisher ----Bob Liebe ----Jim Nielson -----Marilyn Rech -----Lyle Fisher ----Jim Hayes -----Carole Hamilton 12----Ray Gogg -----Mildred Kephart 13----Margaret McCann -----Walter Eveland -----Mary Walter -----Oliver Walkner -----Helen Richmann -----Alton Remington -----Sally Jo Berlin ----John McGowan 21----Jo Ann Hartgrave 22-----Georgia Hutton -----Pati Ensminger ----Robert Zier -----Agnes Mullaley -----Janet Gordon -----Leota Hay 28-----George Palmer 29----Dick Johnson

(We didn't know that Dick was only four years old!)

