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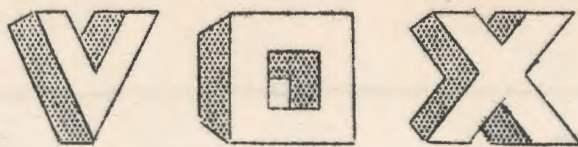
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BAND TO PRESENT SPRING CONCERT

Monday, March 5, the MHS band will present a spring concert in the band room at 7:45 p.m.

Numbers which will be played include: "Colorado," a concert march by Holmes, featuring the B^b clarinets; "Serenata," an overture by Leroy Anderson; "Etude No. 11" by Arban, featuring the cornets; "Etude No. 30" by Arban; "Eastertide," by Clair W. Johnson; "Old Comrades," and "A 'So-Long' Song" by John J. Morrissey.

Several selections will also be played by the junior band and the rural band.

MEN SPONSOR FACULTY PARTY

The annual Faculty Party was held Thursday, February 15, with the male teachers as sponsors. A delicious meal, prepared by the men, began at 6:30. Mr. Vernon made the chili; Mr. McLeod mixed up the salad; Mr. Hipple brought the pies; and Mr. Hulin, with the aid of his wife, brewed the coffee. Mr. Schmidt brought the pickles and crackers, and Mr. Searls collected the money.

After the dinner the teachers went to the auditorium to see a couple movies, including one on skiing and one on Canada.

MARION CAPTURES WAMAC TITLE

"THE IVORY DOOR" PLAYERS GIVE GOOD PERFORMANCE

The Dramatics Club production of "The Ivory Door," by A. A. Milne, was presented last night before a capacity audience. A repeat performance will be given tonight. If you didn't see the play, be sure and be there this evening.

The play is a fantasy involving a legendary door, the Ivory Door. The story goes that anyone who passes through it will be changed into a black leopard or fall into a bottomless pit. What happens when King Perivale goes through the door is revealed in the play. The day chosen to make such a decision was his marriage day! The rest of the play is devoted to the trials faced by the King and his bride-to-be.

The Dramatics Club has worked diligently with this production, and they have presented a worthy show. Miss Doty and Miss Whiting are to be congratulated on their efforts.

The Marion Indians clinched their fourth Wamac basketball crown Friday, February 16, by smashing the Monticello Panthers, 72-53. In the last two years the Panthers had provided a warm reception for the Indians-Marion winning by only one or two points, but the third time broke the cham.

The first quarter was a see-saw battle with Marion on top

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Christensen	9 Indians be-
Seeks	7 gan to wid-
Roby	6 en their
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second period and led 37-27 at the half. The Panthers rallied slightly after half-time, but the Indians continued to accumulate baskets to lead 50-39 at the end of the third quarter. The final period told the tale, as the Indians went ahead to a 72-53 victory.

A new record was set as Hugh Leffingwell managed to pile up a total of 41 points--17 of them straight free throws.

The Little Indians also claimed another victory by downing the Montisquad, 53-20. Lang topped the Indians' scoring with 17.

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LEFFINGWELL SETS RECORD

After a sensational season in which he sparked Marion to the top of the Wamac, conference, Hugh Leffingwell broke into the headlines with a 41 point outburst against Monticello. This topped the Cedar Rapids-Marion single game scoring record.

Named Prep of the Week by the Des Moines Register, Hugh also set a new consecutive free throw mark for one game by hitting 17 in a row against Monticello. Added to one in the Manchester game and four against Tipton, he still hasn't missed his last 22 shots. This shatters a previous unofficial state record of 21 in a row. Congratulations, Hugh!

SCIENCE CLUB

Thursday, February 8, the science club held a business meeting to discuss playing basketball. It was decided to start the basketball tournament at the next meeting. Members wishing to subscribe to "Science Newsletter" were reminded to bring their money. An assembly was planned for March 23. To conclude the meeting a short movie on the Atom Bomb was shown.

As you read this issue, or any other past issue, of the Vox, what article do you find most interesting? Or should I say to which page do you turn first?

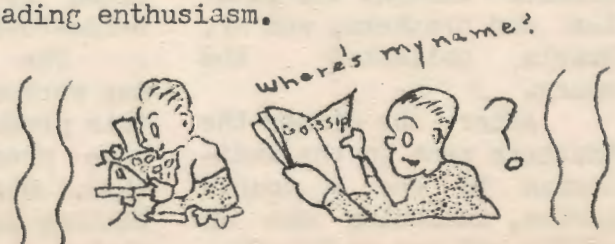
I have not made an exact survey of the various answers to the question. But such a survey, I am sure, would reveal nothing new to us. By popular acclaim the gossip column attracts more readers than any other article in this publication.

Now it is only natural that students should take an avid interest in the happenings around them. Such an article provides this in an amusing way, and in no manner is it meant to defame any individual. However, such an interest should not prevent our minds from broadening out into other fields of literature.

A typical student, when he receives his Vox, quickly turns to the gossip column, reads it very thoroughly to see if his name is in it, rapidly scans the rest of the articles, and deposits the paper in the back of his notebook. This is an example of a narrow-minded reader.

There are many other worth-while articles in this newspaper that I am sure you would enjoy if you took a little time to read them. Each issue we strive to bring in something new in entertainment. The club news articles, sports stories, general news articles and features are printed for your reading enjoyment. The editorial is usually written in a more serious frame of mind. But this should not prompt a student to shy away from reading it. Sometimes the editor's ideas may be useful to you.

Let's all try to appreciate the work that the staff does in preparing each issue of the Vox by showing more reading enthusiasm.



ACTIVITIES

CHEERLEADERS SPONSOR SKATING PARTY

A few hard falls, tangled up skates, and blisters all bring back fond memories of the benefit roller skating party, which was held on February 12. The party began at 6:30 at the Ce Mar Roller Rink and concluded about 9:30. More than one hundred Marion students and their guests were present to help the cheerleaders pay for their new uniforms. The skating party brought the uniform fund up to about seventy dollars.

ALPHA BETA GAMMA ENJOYED UNDERWOOD DEMONSTRATION

A machine demonstration given by Mr. Seeley of the Underwood Company was enjoyed by the members present at the Alpha Beta Gamma meeting Monday, February 19. The machine most enjoyed was the electric typewriter.

Before the demonstration a movie entitled, "Duties of a Secretary," was shown.

At the next meeting on March 8, a movie on filing will be shown.

COMING EVENTS

1-2.....Dramatic Club
.....Play
5.....Marion vs. I.C.
.....at Iowa City
14-16.....State Tournamen-
.....ts
26.....Easter Vacation

MARION HOLDS ATHLETIC BANQUET

Marion held its annual athletic banquet Tuesday, February 27, at 6:30 in the Marion gymnasium. Honored athletes were letterwinners in both football and basketball. Guest speaker, Frank Havlicek of Iowa City, showed a movie on the highlights of Iowa football. A hearty meal was enjoyed by all. Ralph Young presided as toastmaster.

LETTERMEN'S ASSEMBLY

Friday, February 23, the Lettermen's Club provided the entertainment in an assembly program. Ed Merritt, club president, acted as Master of Ceremonies.

First on the program was the reading of the constitution by Don Christensen and Russ Seek. After a select group of lettermen sang the club's song to the tune of "Cheer, Cheer For Old Notre Dame," Coach Hipple presented the pins to each member. Don Christensen presented Mr. Swartzendruber with the Wamac Conference trophy won by the varsity basketball squad. Jerry Peck presented to the school the Freshmen-Sophomore trophy. Mr. Swartzendruber stated that this was the fourth year in a row that both trophies were won by the two squads. The cheerleaders ended the program with some school yells.

ON THE BURNER

The Science Club is going to have some basketball games. By the time this comes out they may have had them. Why don't they let girls play boys? They could charge admission and amass a small fortune.

The Junior Class is making preparations already for the Prom and Banquet. Naturally the one this year will be the best yet.

I hope all the work the cheerleaders are doing for new uniforms is worth it. They ought to be designed by some famous designer. I don't think the Seniors will get to wear theirs very long.

In case you didn't see "The Ivory Door" last night, be sure and do so tonight. It keeps you wondering until the end, and it also gives you food for thought--if you don't mind thinking.

That Friday we had off a few weeks ago was a wonderful vacation. Wonder if we have to make it up?

G.A.A.

Tuesday, February 20, the seniors met the juniors in the second game of the G.A.A. basketball tournament. Fouls were numerous during the game, as each team tried to be certain the other would not score. The seniors were determined and won their first game from the juniors, 9-4.

AND THE LITTLE BIRD SAYS

Edwin Blinks certainly plays Winkum enthusiastically!

Lucky Marge M. has the job of deciding between two boys.

A recurrent situation--Jean Lawson and Jerry Brown.

What mysterious person in Cedar Rapids sends Jean Crowley candy?

Letters on pink, scented stationary seem to hold a fascination for Ed Lala--especially when they're from Ann.

The Valentines Dance certainly produced some surprising couples! Helen and Lyle, Jean and Joe, Bunny and George, and Georgia and Ed!!!

To whom does Bob Jeffrey write notes in sixth hour study hall?

Ask Jean Frederick, Arline Stroope, Helen Reichert, or Bunny Wallace about their club. Its initials are WDAWPATRO-YCGTH.

Hugh Leffingwell certainly has plenty of admirers.

Who is the object of Joan Justice's affection?

Gary Kenney must enjoy writing letters. Or maybe he just enjoys writing letters to girls in Cedar Rapids or England. Who knows?

What tall, dark, handsome Joe picks June up after Alpha Beta Gamma?

Charlese Burmingham and Harold Lathrop--another couple for MHS?

Don't tell, but Glenna Platner and Ernie Cates can be seen most every noon walking uptown! Sh-h-h!

Elva Jean certainly likes her Bobs!

Betsey Wachal and JoAnn LaBarge certainly have a neat blackmail system!

Who is Donna E.'s dream man?

At whom is Judy Tuttle shaking her blonde curls now? Could it be a certain junior basketball player with a butch haircut? Could it be Jim Hayes?

Why is M. R. so interested when P. D. makes a basket?

What certain senior causes that mellow glow in Marilyn Rech's eyes?

Who is "Izzie"?


Has it escaped anyone's eye that Bill Hintz and Jean Emmons make a striking couple?

Why doesn't someone latch on to Dwayne Beckner?

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MARINE CORPS ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO FINISH SCHOOL

Captain Elery G. Poppe, Officer in charge of Marine Corps Recruiting in Iowa, has urged young men to complete high school before applying for enlistment in the Marine Corps. He stated that it has been a long standing policy of the Marine Corps to encourage young men to complete all requirements for high school graduation before joining.

This statement could very easily apply to any branch of the service. For education is as important as fighting in the front lines. Today the need for well educated men and women is greater than ever before. Our government could not function properly if the men now in charge of the various departments had not had a full and extensive education.

In giving his opinion on the subject, Captain Poppe stated, "The Marine Corps feels that it gains a great deal through such a policy since the more education a man has, the better Marine he will make." He also explained that a high school education is important in the Marine Corps, because it permits better classification and assignment of personnel. It is far easier to determine the proper assignment for a man who has indicated his aptitudes through extended schooling than for a man who can offer no such evidence of his interests and abilities.

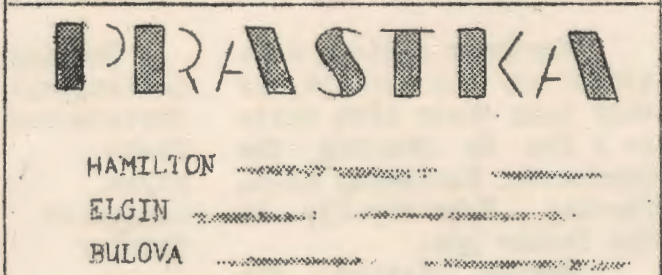
BRAINY BRATS FEATURE LADIES' CHOICE DANCE

Last February 24, at 7:30, the "Brainy Brats" of Miss Whiting's seventh hour English Class sponsored a Ladies' Choice Dance, the proceeds going to the Polio Fund. The girls took advantage of their opportunity and invited many would-be bachelors.

Besides the dancing there was a floor show. Since the "Brainy Brats" are Sophomores, they wanted the entertainers to be underclassmen. A number of varied selections made up the show which was enjoyed by all.

We all hope some more Brats get Brainy so we can have more fun for such a worthy cause.

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SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

The Marion Indians broke back into the winning column Friday, February 23, in the sectional tourney at Alburnett, by defeating Coggon, 63-44.

The game started with Marion jumping to an early lead. Cog-

Scoring	gon	soon
Leffingwell	33	whittled it
Seeks	8	down to four
Peck	4	points, 19-
Novotny	4	15. The
Roby	3	Indians then
Christensen	2	pulled away
Christensen	2	to a 23-15
Hayes	2	first quar-
Gipp	2	ter lead,
Lundquist	2	and were
Oakley	1	never in
		danger a-

gain. Taking over shortly after the beginning of the second period, the sophs and reserves ran this to a 41-25 half-time lead.

The varsity regulars played most of the third quarter and pulled away to a 51-31 lead. Then the reserves finished the game out with the final score reading Marion, 63--Coggon, 44.

MARION SLAPS MANCHESTER

Marion's Indians continued on the warpath, as they took their 18th scalp in a row by dumping the Manchester Manhawks, 61-38, Tuesday, February 13, in the Indian gym.

Marion started the game with a quick burst but soon cooled down as Manchester warmed up. The Indians were leading at the buzzer,

Scoring	15-10. The
Leffingwell	30 second per-
Christensen	12 iod saw
Seeks	9 Marion out-

Christensen	5	score Man-
Roby	3	chester 19-
Lundquist	2	4. Three
		quick buck-
		ets in the final 25 sec-
		onds of the first half
		shoved Marion's lead to
		34-14.

The Manhawks edged the Indians out as far as scoring was concerned in the third quarter, 16-12, but the Indians still held a comfortable lead (46-30) at the close of the period. Reserves took the floor in the final quarter and stretched Marion's lead to the final 61-38 score.

Keeping right in step, the Indian sophs dumped the Manchester sophs, 46-26. Novotny led the Papposes with 15.

MARION SLIPS PAST VINTON

Vinton forced the Indians into their first overtime in three years Tuesday, February 6; but the determined Indians kept their place at the top of the WaMaC standings by defeating the Jays, 58-55.

With a burst of speed and sharpshooting in the opening minutes the In-

	dians surged
Scoring	to a 20-14
Leffingwell	20 first quar-
Christensen	10 ter lead.
Seeks	9 During the
Hayes	8 second per-
Lundquist	7 iod Marion
Kassler	4 managed to

keep one step ahead of the Jays and led 29-27 at the half. The third and fourth quarters proved to be a seesaw battle between both teams with the lead shifting several times. With the Jays ahead by one point (53-52) Kassler was

fouled and his consequent free throw forced the game into an overtime. The Indians then began to hit, and when the three minutes ran out, they were on top, 58-55.

TIPTON DROPS MARION

By hitting an incredible 52% of their shots, a revenge seeking Tipton quintet upset Marion's applecart by handing them their first defeat of the season, 50-46, on the local floor February 20. It was Marion's first loss in 42 WaMaC conference games.

After the Tigers had grabbed a quick 8-2 lead, Marion came back to within

	one point
Scoring	at the end
Leffingwell	20 of the first
Christensen	14 quarter. At
Roby	6 the begin-
Hayes	3 ning of the
Seeks	3 2nd stanza,
	Marion hit

for a quick two points for their last lead of the game. The Tigers bounded back to lead at the half 24-21. Staying from 3-7 points ahead, Tipton held a 39-34 advantage at the end of the third quarter. Marion rallied briefly in the 4th canto, but the lads from Tipton would not be denied, as they clung to a four point bulge at the final gun.

Novotny's basket in the last 15 seconds gave the Marion sophs a 29-28 victory over Tipton and clinched the WaMaC conference title. Novotny and Lang led Marion with 6.

