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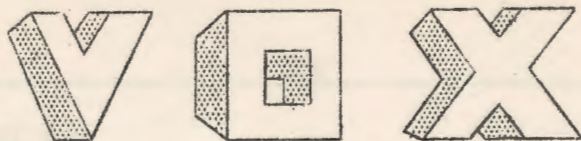
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SENIOR CLASS
PRESENTS
THEIR PLAY

PROM TO BE HELD AT ARMAR

The seniors presented "The Curious Savage" by John Patrick as their class play on April 30 and May 1 in the Lincoln Auditorium.

The three act comedy took place at The Cloisters, an exclusive mental institution. The plot centered around Mrs. Savage (Jeannine Murray) who was taken to the institution by her three children (Barbara Paul, Dave Carey, and Darrell Stimson) because she had been carelessly throwing her money away.

The children paid frequent visits to The Cloisters to learn where Mrs. Savage had hidden the money. A great deal of humor is introduced when Mrs. Savage falsely tells them where the money is hidden, and they try to find it. All ends happily, however, and Mrs. Savage leaves the institution. The whole point of the play was to contrast the guests of the institution with the insane outside world.

The guests of The Cloisters included: Iris Mae, Janet Gordon; Florence, Mary Ruth Culbert; Mrs. Paddy, Lila Hansen; Hannibal, Harry Oakley; and Jeffrey, Phil DeWees. The staff included Miss Wilhelmina, Joan Petrusch and Dr. Emmett, Jim Lang.

HONOR INITIATION HELD

Candlelight and spring flowers was the setting for the formal initiation of nine seniors and five juniors into Delta Sigma Delta, the National Honor Society. The event was held on Tuesday April 14 at 7:30 in the Home Economics room.

The members were presented with pins and certificates, after which the faculty and parents of the members were introduced. Mr. Vernon then explained the function of the Honor Society. Following the ceremony cookies and punch were served.

GIRLS STATE DELEGATE CHOSEN

The Legion auxiliary of the Marion post selected Sharron Ozburn to attend Hawkeye Girls State, June 14-21, on the Iowa State Teachers College Campus. Mollie Keith was chosen alternate delegate.

Girls State, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, is an attempt to show the girls of Iowa how our government is run--from the campaigning and election of officials to the actual administration.

ROSES TO BE THEME OF PROM THIS YEAR

Everyone is eagerly awaiting the big Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom to be held this year on May 15. The banquet will take place in the Presbyterian Church with the dance at Armar Ballroom.

The theme chosen by the juniors is "Moonlight and Roses," and the colors are those of the senior class--midnight blue and white. The ceiling will be blue with silver stars, while on the table the nut cups will be made in the shape of roses to carry out the theme.

Betsey Wachal will give the welcome for the juniors, and Harry Potter will represent the seniors. Also on the program are Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Vernon, who will be speakers, while Jerry Brown will give a monologue, and Janet Gordon will sing.

The following are the chairmen of the committees: Theme--Joan Justice, Program--Shirley Post, Invitations--Shirley Larson, Tickets--Marleen Hansen, Decorations--Jane Blessin, Reception--Sylvia Seeks, Clean-up--Jim Malake.

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SENIOR DOINGS

The week starting May 25 and ending May 30 is going to be a hectic one in the life of a Marion senior.

On Sunday, May 24, Baccalaureate services will be held at the Methodist Church.

Early Monday morning the seniors will board busses which will take them on their two-day class trip to Chicago. While there they will stay at the YMCA Hotel. Some of the sights they plan to see are museums, radio and TV broadcasts, a stage show, Lincoln Park Zoo, and a journey down Skid Row. Accompanying the group will be Mr. Nau and Mr. Nicholson.

Thursday is the date chosen for the annual Alumni Banquet to be held at the Legion Hall.

Friday, May 29, will be the final gathering of the complete group of the 1953 seniors. They will meet in the Methodist Church to receive their diplomas. Dr. Earl Harper of the University of Iowa will speak on "What is Worthwhile in Life and Education?".

This will bring to a close the senior activities for this year. The Vox Staff sends their best regards to the seniors of 1953.

NOW IS THE TIME

Now is the time when you are standing at the crossroads of your life. You, the graduate, now have many important decisions which are just waiting there to be acted upon by you. You can either take the high road to success or you can go down the hill to failure. Then, of course, you can take the mediocre road. This probably is the most traveled of all--neither succeeding nor failing, but just holding your own.

Now is the time when many people would like a chance to change places with you. They would like to make the decisions you are about to make. You may take the wrong turn, but you must never give up hope, for it's never too late to start over.

But just how do you feel as the most-envied individual in the world? Do you feel that you can live up to the standard set for you? Will you take your successes graciously? Will you take your failures with a feeling of showing the world you can do better, or will you find yourself in a state of utter despair?

Now is the time when you'll be starting out on a new road of adventure. You may lead a highly exciting life, or you may pick a course which may not be exciting in itself, but it promises to give you a full and secure existence.

Now is the time when the attitude you acquire will set the pattern of your life. You must acquire the ability of getting along with people. You can't always be right--the law of averages says this is so. Giving in to the other person will win many friends for you. Of course, you're not expected to give up your own opinions, but remember there are two sides to every story.

As the new generation you will be the ones who will be guiding the country, so to speak. You must not be hasty in drawing your conclusions; always weigh carefully the facts before you, sift through them, and then make your decision.

This is your time to show you have the capability to live up to your contemporaries. NOW IS THE TIME.

ACTIVITIES

ADVERTISING TALK GIVEN

Alpha Beta Gamma met April 16, 1953, in the typing room at 7:00 P.M.

The special guest of the evening was Miss Barbara Fitzgerald from the Advertising Department of Armstrong's Department Store in Cedar Rapids. Miss Fitzgerald showed some sketches and heavy metal plates which are used in printing her sketches. She explained the process she uses in getting a sketch ready for the newspaper.

Before Miss Fitzgerald spoke, Miss Petrusch played four records. They were "Applying For A Secretarial Position," "The Secretary Receives Callers," "The Secretary At Work," and "The Secretary At The Telephone." These records correlate with the Office Practice text books.

PICTURES SHOWN FOR SPANISH CLUB

At the April 16 meeting of Spanish Club the purchase of songbooks, records, and the South American flags was discussed.

Mary McGowan and Joan Drenkhahn gave a report and showed pictures from the National Geographic Magazine with the opaque projector.

Plans were discussed for the annual picnic, May 14. This will bring to a close the club's doings for this year.

HOME ECONOMICS TO GIVE STYLE SHOW

A style show will be given by the Home Economics classes May 14, in the Lincoln Auditorium for P.T.A. The style show will follow the regular P.T.A. meeting which will start at 7:45.

The style show will be planned around a May Pole theme.

Seventh grade girls will model gathered half aprons they made during the first semester. Following this the eighth grade girls will model sleeveless spring blouses. Two classes of freshmen will show pinafore aprons and spring dresses they have made. The style show will end with the seniors modeling their wool or wool-type dresses they have made.

FFA ATTEND CONVENTION AT DES MOINES

The FFA Convention of 1953 was held in Des Moines, April 16-18.

Six Marion High School boys attended the conference as delegates from the Marion chapter. Lumir Dostal played in the band, and John DeJong sang in the chorus. The other delegates were Harold Ransier, Harold M. Metcalf, Jerry Huerter, and Richard Rinderknecht.

The boys attended many talks and went on tours to the John Deere Plant and the airport.

HUMORIST ENTERTAINS AT ASSEMBLY

George Campbell, a nationally-known songleader, humorist, and inspirational speaker, presented an assembly, Wednesday, April 29, at 3:00 P.M. in the Lincoln Auditorium.

The assembly consisted of a talk, which was full of humor, by Mr. Campbell and a conclusion by the group singing songs.

Altogether it was a very enjoyable and relaxing assembly.

ALPHA BETA GAMMA ENJOYS BANQUET

Miniature umbrellas and spring flowers carried out the spring theme of the annual Alpha Beta Gamma Banquet, Monday, May 4, at the K-V Cafe.

Miss Mildred Hoadley, Personnel Director of United Mutual Insurance Company in Cedar Rapids, was the guest speaker for the evening. She gave the girls an interesting and informative speech on "Life in an Office."

Novelty dance numbers, vocal and instrumental selections furnished part of the evening's entertainment. The whole group joined in the singing of popular songs. The names of the mystery sisters were revealed and presents were exchanged.

Miss Petrusch is the sponsor of Alpha Beta Gamma.



School officially ends in just three weeks. Isn't it wonderful? Most people have plans for the summer all made. The industrious and money-mad will be working; while the lazy and poverty-stricken will lie around the pool basking in the free sunshine. A whole three months with no classes, no teachers, no hot lunch. On the other hand, no dances, no ball games, no noon walks with your girl. Enough of this sordid subject.

Some of the juniors have a greater appreciation for our own hot lunches now after the seventy-five cent "nothing much and none of it good" that they handed out at Career Day. They even had a noon rush to get it. Made you feel right at home.

The senior class is going to Chicago for two days on their class trip. Here's hoping the town is still standing when they leave--voluntarily or otherwise.

Thoughts of roses and crepe paper are becoming nightmares for the Promcommittees. Sorrow is expressed for the thoughtless fool who sends his girl a rose corsage after she's spent the last two weeks making them.

Don't forget the final exams coming up, and with this pleasant thought we'll close this column for the year. See you in September.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the class of

1953

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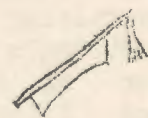
Marion--Cedar Rapids

GOOD LUCK

SENIORS

MARION

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congratulations
seniors

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GOOD LUCK

seniors

BALSTER'S

congratulates you

CONGRATULATIONS

seniors

From Gordons

GOOD LUCK

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M. H. S. RADIO STARS

Just Plain Bill.....Billy James
 Dean Martin and.....Bob Justice and
 Jerry Lewis.....Joe Green
 Our Gal Sunday.....Hilda Schneider
 Aunt Jenny.....Mary Lou Pazour
 My Friend Irma.....Jane Blessing
 Helen Trent.....Diane Darragh
 Dr. Kildare.....Don Rose
 Harry James.....Ed Lala
 Jack Benny.....Harry Oakley
 Perry Como.....Dave Carey
 Dick Tracy.....Gary Eschman
 Millie.....Eileen Mullaley
 Margaret Whiting.....Janet Gordon

MUSICIANS WIN AT CONTESTS

MANCHESTER: This was the setting for the annual Vocal and Band Small Groups and Ensemble Preliminary State Contest which was held April 10 and 11.

Firsts were given in the Bass Solo Division to John Vikdal and Jim Lang and in the Tenor Solo Division to Steve Klopp. Vocal Small Groups who received firsts included Double Mixed Quartet and Boys' Quartet.

The Band set a new record for Marion by bringing back a total of 22 first ratings. This tops the old record by one. Band also received more first ratings in the preliminary contest than any other WaMaC school.

IOWA CITY: Twenty-seven Marion band and vocal groups and soloists went to State Contest and returned with a total of twelve firsts.

John Vikdal, singing in the bass solo division, was the only vocal soloist to bring back a first rating. Boys' Quartet and Double Mixed Quartet also received firsts.

MONTICELLO: May 2 was the date of the State Final Contest for Large Groups which was held at Monticello.

Marion came home with three firsts and one second. The firsts included the following: Boys' Glee Club, Mixed Chorus, and Band. Girls' Glee Club took a second.

This closes the contests for this year, but we hope to see more firsts for next year.

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OF '53

GOOD LUCK
SENIOR CLASS
of 1953

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CIRA'S
good luck
seniors

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SPORTS

INDIAN CINDERMEN TRIP MONTI

Marion's Indians carried their winning ways to the cindered oval by dumping Monticello's Black Panthers in a dual meet at Marion, 119-86, as they copped eleven of the sixteen possible firsts. Scoring ran as follows:

120 Yard High Hurdles---Hotle (Marion)
2 Mile Relay---(Marion)
220 Yard Dash---Stimson (Marion)
Mile Run---Walker (Marion)
100 Yard Dash---Hotle (Marion)
880 Yard Relay---(Marion)
440 Yard Dash---Fox (Marion)
180 Yard Low Hurdles---Morning (Monti)
Mile Medley---(Marion)
880 Yard Run---Walker (Marion)
Mile Relay---(Marion)
Shot Put---Behrends (Monti)
Discus---Morning (Monti)
High Jump---Rickles (Monti)
Broad Jump---Morning (Monti)
Pole Vault---Justice (Marion)

THINCLADS DOWN JAYS

Marion pulled home eleven first places to top the Vinton Blue Jays Tuesday, April 21, at the Indian's oval. The defending WamaC champs topped the Jays 122 1/4 to 83 3/4.

SCORING

120 Yard High Hurdles---Hotle (Marion)
2 Mile Relay---(Marion)

220 Yard Dash---Stimson (Marion)
Mile Run---Walker (Marion)
100 Yard Dash---Hotle (Marion)
880 Yard Relay---(Marion)
440 Yard Dash---Malwitz (Vinton)
180 Yard Low Hurdles---Altenberg (Marion)
Mile Medley---(Marion)
880 Yard Dash---Walker (Marion)
Mile Relay---(Marion)
Broad Jump---Altenberg (Marion)
High Jump---Bilknap (Vinton)
Pole Vault---Mahurin (Vinton)
Discus---Michael (Vinton)
Shot Put---Sauers (Vinton)

MARION WINS QUADRANGLE MEET

Marion runners carried home 10 first places to win their third track meet in a row, topping Anamosa, Mt. Vernon, and Wilson. Marion had 92 points, Wilson had 69, Anamosa had 41 1/2, and Mt. Vernon had 30. Scoring was as follows:

120 Yard High Hurdles---Hotle (Marion)
2 Mile Relay---(Marion)
220 Yard Dash---(Marion)
Mile Run---Walker (Marion)
100 Yard Dash---Hotle (Marion)
880 Yard Relay---(Wilson)
440 Yard Run---Fox (Marion)
180 Yard Low Hurdles---Sodjka (Wilson)
Mile Medley---(Mt. Vernon)
880 Yard Dash---Walker (Marion)
Mile Relay---(Marion)

Shot Put---Hamilton (Wilson)
Discus---Baker (Anamosa)
High Jump---Ditch (Anamosa)
Broad Jump---Hamilton (Wilson)
Pole Vault---Justice (Marion)

WALKER TAKES MILE AT DRAKE

Jerry Walker, Marion's junior miler, raced home ahead of the field, to win the prep state mile run at the Drake Relays, April 24. He turned in an exceptionally good time of 4 minutes and 36 seconds, in what was considered one of the worst rains in Drake Relays history.

Walker set the pace for the first three laps and put on a great fourth lap, after being passed, to take the event. Walker last year was the WamaC mile champ, and finished sixth in the state finals at Ames, last spring.

DR. EARL HARPER COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

This year's commencement services will be held in the First Methodist Church on May 29 at 8:00 P.M. The speaker will be Dr. Earl Harper from the State University of Iowa. Dr. Harper is director of the Memorial Union and head of the Fine Arts Department at the University.

Music this year will be provided by the mixed chorus and the double mixed quartette.

GOOD LUCK---SENIORS!

CLASS POLL

freshmen

GIRLS

Prettiest hair.....Nancy Hess
 Cutest.....JoAnn Huntoon
 Best figure.....Maggie Huntoon
 Best dressed.....Hilda Schneider
 Most studios.....Elizabeth Waffle
 Most interesting.....Carol Miller
 Best dancer.....Bev Larson
 Most mischievous.....Sandy Lacock
 Wittiest.....Sheila Murray
 Prettiest eyes.....Hilda Schneider
 Most friendly and kind.....Judy Welper
 Friendliest smile.....Joan Drenkhahn
 Most fun.....Mary Jo Mercer
 Most outstanding.....Carol Miller

BOYS

Most handsome.....Darrel Failor
 Prettiest eyes.....Duane Danford
 Cutest.....Pat Crowley
 Best physique.....Dennie Peterson
 Best dressed.....Tommy Hutton
 Best in sports.....Darrel Failor
 Most fun.....Danny Peterson
 Most studios.....Robert Story
 Friendliest smile.....Bill Dougherty
 Nicest hair.....David Frasher
 Wittiest.....Don Roberts
 Best dancer.....George Brewer
 Most mischievous.....Don Roberts
 Most outstanding.....Bill Dougherty

sophomore

GIRLS

Prettiest hair.....Nancy Hinton
 Cutest.....Frieda Nesetril
 Best figure.....Sherry Hopple
 Best dressed.....Doris Eckhart
 Most studios.....Betty Rinderknecht
 Most interesting.....Mary Lou Pazour
 Best dancer.....Frieda Nesetril
 Most mischievous.....Sandy Harford
 Prettiest eyes.....Ferol Britton
 Most friendly and kind.....Beth Michel
 Wittiest.....Sandy Harford
 Friendliest smile.....Sherry Wilkinson
 Most fun.....Frieda Nesetril
 Most outstanding.....Betty Rinderknecht

BOYS

Most handsome.....Dennis Jones
 Prettiest eyes.....Billy Peck
 Cutest.....Jackie Midcalf
 Best physique.....Bill Farmer
 Best dressed.....Carl Adkins
 Best in sports.....Jeri Smith
 Most fun.....Dallas Fairley
 Most studios.....Stanley Hackert
 Friendliest smile.....Bob Murray
 Nicest hair.....Pete Kepros
 Wittiest.....Ronnie Landis
 Best dancer.....Bill Farmer
 Most mischievous.....Don Washburn
 Most outstanding.....Ted Burkart

CLASS POLL

junior

GIRLS

Prettiest hair.....Joyce Porter
 Cutest.....Charlese Burmingham
 Best figure.....Joan Justice
 Best dressed.....Mollie Keith
 Most studious.....Betsey Wachal
 Most interesting.....Jane Blessing
 Best dancer.....Elaine McGee
 Most mischievous.....Lillie Fuller
 Wittiest.....Sue Holmes
 Prettiest eyes.....Shirley Larson
 Most friendly and kind.....Jean Lawson
 Friendliest smile.....Janet Lorence
 Most fun.....Joyce Kolda
 Most outstanding.....Shirley Post

BOYS

Most handsome.....Wallace DeWoody
 Prettiest eyes.....Billy James
 Cutest.....Danny Kellams
 Best physique.....Bob Fox
 Best dressed.....Jerry Walker
 Best in sports.....Wallace DeWoody
 Most fun.....Norm Rathje
 Most studious.....Bruce Boling
 Friendliest smile.....Jerry Brown
 Nicest hair.....Bob Fox
 Wittiest.....Bob Yauslin
 Most mischievous.....Tom Fisher
 Best dancer.....Tom Domer
 Most outstanding.....John Ballard

senior

GIRLS

Prettiest hair.....Karen Vikdal
 Cutest.....Janet Gordon
 Best figure.....Lorene Stenerson
 Best dressed.....Barbara Paul
 Most likely to succeed.....Joan Petrusch
 Most studious.....Mary Becker
 Most interesting.....Sondra Burnett
 Best dancer.....Margaret McCanin
 Most mischievous.....Mary Ruth Culbert
 Wittiest.....Jeannine Murray
 Most friendly and kind.....Nadine Manson
 Prettiest eyes.....Joyce Trpkosh
 Most fun.....Mary Ruth Culbert
 Friendliest smile.....Sally Jo Berlin
 Most outstanding.....Joan Petrusch

BOYS

Most handsome.....Phil DeWees
 Prettiest eyes.....Kenny Crowley
 Cutest.....Keith Smith
 Best physique.....Charles Cox
 Best dressed.....Don Rose
 Most likely to succeed.....Jim Lang
 Best in sports.....Jerry Peck
 Most studious.....Harry Potter
 Friendliest smile.....Jerry Peck
 Nicest hair.....Jerry Huerter
 Most fun.....Bob Justice
 Most mischievous.....Joe Green
 Wittiest.....Harry Oakley
 Best dancer.....Jack Larson
 Most outstanding.....David Carey

MEMORIES

FRESHMEN

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

Joanne Petrusch sure has a cute fella--David C.; too bad, Arlene K.

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

Bob T. is quite the ladies' man. Glenna P. is now his girl-of-the-hour.

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

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

What is on the mind of quite a few freshmen girls? Rumors have it that it's Jerry Huerter!

Don Hay seems to like girls with pep--at least one special girl, doesn't he, Mary Ruth?

Russ S. and Kay N. make a pretty cute couple, don't they?

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

SOPHOMORES

Who is Darrell Stimson's pen pal in Central City?

Elva Peick and Bob Christensen--another pair of scalps for Cupid.

Why is the postman such a good friend of Phyllis McGowan's?

Ruth Horner and Kenny Crowley must get tired of wearing the same old bracelets day in and day out. Maybe that's why they exchanged them.

Darlene J. and Donald D.--Hm-m-m-m!

Is it his curly hair or blue eyes, Janet Gordon, or is it just because he's Bobby?

Why Karen V., we didn't know you preferred college men with red hair!

Sally's blue eyes obviously fascinate Norm N.

Jack Larson seems to be the apple of Ida Rose's eye.

JUNIORS

Beth M. is a staunch believer in Justice, (Bobby, that is.)

I hear that Bob Jones would like to go with Jeannine Murray, but there is a certain 210 pounds in the way.

Did you ever get a bulletin board, Shirlee, to put Hughie's pictures on?

It looks from here like Donny Rose likes variety.

Please note. Maggie McCann is no longer Maggie. She is now "Margaret-to-you" McCann.

Lila H. seems to have a natural talent for admiring alumni.

Sondra has only one comment, "I'm happy. I'm happy. I'm happy."

Tell us, David Walsh, are you a woman-hater, or are you just bashful?

Nice things come in little packages like Sherry H., says Darrell. Who are we to argue?

Maureen Kenney has a strange theme song, "Where Are You?" What happened to "Oh Johnny"?

SENIORS

Jim Lang's interest still centers in the sophomore class, and versa vice, (to coin a phrase).

Kay Pearl makes a nice "first lady". Guess you can't keep the "Harry's" out of office, be it Senior Class or otherwise.

It's amazing how fast a person can pick up an English accent. And Elbert is getting quite the accent!

Why is it that Seniors do some odd things at times--stack lockers or write in other people's books? Maybe Joyce or Dave could answer that one.

Joe Green (the one and only--thank heavens) broke his New Year's Resolution with the help of one of the Freshman Class' cutest representatives.

What do the Junior boys have that the others do not have, Paula?

