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MHS GETS VACATION

BAND HOLDS PARTY

December 19 band members and their dates held a Christmas party in the bandroom.

Entertainment consisted of dancing, volleyball, refreshments, and a floor show. Performers included John Vikdal, Ed Lala, and Jerry Brown. The evening was climaxed by gifts from Santa.

Committees were composed of band council members. Chairmen were: Doris Eckhart and George Hess, decorations; Shirley Post, food; Carol Goodrow, records; Joyce Kolida and Ed Lala, floor show; and Betsey Wachal, clean-up and donations.

DRAMATICS CLUB PRESENTS, CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

A play, "Song of Glory", by Anne Coulter Matens, was presented by the Dramatics club for the Christmas Assembly December 18.

The cast included: Steve Klopp, Ann Young, Dan Kellams, Mary Kulish, John Ballard, Freida Nese-tril, Tom Keith, Terry Halstead, Joan Justice, Lois Hennessey, Hilda Schneider, Dan Peterson, Lyla Dye, and Nancy Hess. The Madrigal vocal group lent their assistance.



"JUST WHAT I WANTED?"

Rarely anyone gets a Christmas present that he can't use. But sometimes there are exceptions. Take, for instance, the well-meaning aunt who lives across the country. Does she remember you have just moved into an ultra-modern apartment? Apparently not, for what does she send—nothing else but a cherished and treasured grandfather's clock. Then of course there's the case of Sweet Old Cousin Jane. She quite forgets the years that have elapsed since she last saw you. What does she send? You guessed it—a pogo stick. Then come the thank-you notes, and in them you cheerfully write: "Dear Aunt Julia—or Cousin Jane—What a surprise your gift was—just what I always wanted!"

VACATION BEGINS DECEMBER 22 AT 4 P.M.

Christmas vacation for Marion High students will begin 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 22. School will be resumed again at 9:00 a.m. Monday, January 4, 1954. This constitutes approximately one week, five days and seventeen hours of vacation.

Students will probably need the vacation after all the December activities. Past events (besides basketball games) include: vocal concert, 7 and 8; cap-and-sock hop, 11; band concert, 17; the Christmas assembly, 18; band party, 19; and club parties at various times. Tonight, December 22, the Christmas dance will be held. The Marion-Mt. Vernon game, December 29, will wind up the 1953 school activities for M.H.S.

SCIENCE CLUB PLANS DANCE

The annual Science club Christmas dance will be held tonight at 7:45 in the gym. Committees include: Elizabeth Waffle and Dorothy Kroening, refreshments; Mary Lou Pazour, decoration and clean-up; Gary Eschman, tickets and publicity; and Jerry Walker, entertainment.

A FRESHMAN WRITES TO SANTA

Here is a typical(?) letter from a typical(?) Freshman to a typical Santa Claus!

Dear Santa Claus,

As I am now a mature Freshman and ready to face the world, I feel that I should not ask you to bring presents for me, but for my family instead.

First of all, there's my father. Let's see now; what would he like? I know, a fishing pole! Of course, he hates the sport, but I'm sure he'd appreciate it anyway. Besides, mine is broken and I just love to go fishing; so I'm sure he wouldn't mind if I'd borrow it once in awhile.

Then there's mother. Oh, that's easy. She'd like a big five pound box of chocolates. She's on a diet, you know, but that won't matter; not with me around.

Now we come to the gruesome part--my sister. Now what could you bring for the little monste--, ahum, darling, that she doesn't have? Oh well, I guess you'll just have to bring her another doll. She has so many now that she probably won't even look at it. But that's O.K., because I just love to play with dolls.

Well, I guess that's about all for now. Oh, by the way; don't forget to send me some presents for being such a good boy and not wanting anything for myself.

A Freshman,

Johnny Typical

WHAT THE GIRL WANTS

Hurry, boys, before it's too late! Here are some things your lady friend would like for Christmas: angora or fur collars, sweaters, spun nylon anklets, scarf and glove set, identification bracelet, records, leather belts, and last but not least--the cheapest thing you could give--one economy size class ring.



WHAT THE FACULTY WANTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Mrs. Deeds--"A car like Dochtermann's to get back and forth to Cedar Rapids."

Mr. Nau--"I want my son to walk by Christmas."

Mrs. Hulin--"A Hammond organ to use in next year's Christmas program."

Mr. Lang--"Flowers out of a garden."

Miss Petrusch--"An electric mimeograph machine for the VOX."

Mr. Schmidt--"Less kids in 8th hour Studyhall."

Mr. Eales--"A half dozen nice bow ties."

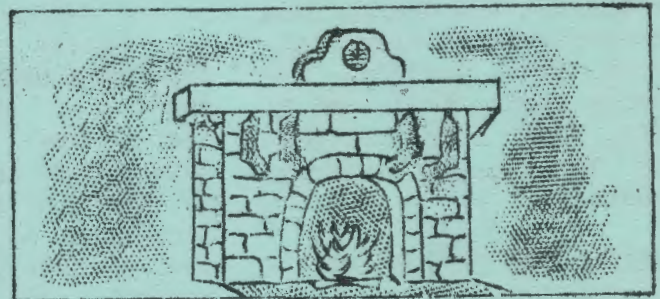
Mr. Wright--"I've got my Christmas present; a boy."

Miss Beckman--"A cast as co-operative for the Senior class play as I had for the Junior class play."

Mr. Nicholson--"Somebody to keep my desk clean."

Mr. Page--"A book, I've only got two Pages now."

Mr. Risk--"Thursday night reserved for club night only."



WHAT THE FACULTY NEEDS FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. Herbst--Some Indestructible lab equipment for the Seniors.

Mr. Hipple--No comment. (Three guesses.)

Miss Mentzer--Less students who change Spanish into Greek.

Mrs. Muir--A new supply of red pencils for checking VOX material.

Mrs. Vail--A helmet for protection during volleyball games.

Mr. Brown--More girls in fourth hour Geometry class.

Mr. Hulin--A new set of nerves to replace the ones shattered from Drivers' Training.

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS--

In the Senior department we have ROXY SCOTT, who would like a St. Bernard puppy; BILL HOTLE, who wants a pig farm near Atkins; and SHIRLEY LARSON, who's fond wish is a motor bike. GARY ESCHMAN wants a new camera; GENE BROWN hopes Santa will bring him a girl, brunette and 5'2". LILLIE FULLER would like long hair, JERRY WALKER desires an "A" in government, JEAN LAWSON wants a typewriter that can spell, SHIRLEY POST would like some typing paper, and JOYCE KOLDA wants her seat changed in economics class.

Now the Juniors want things that are quite different, and how! MARY LOU PAZOUR would like a coaching job at S.U.I., while DONNY WASHBURN wants a cage. JOHN VIKDAL wants, "My own radio program," and JERI SMITH wishes for a ham on rye. CAROL BUNNEY hopes Santa will leave a wabbit (Yak, Yak), and SUE HOGAN wants a good book for long winter evenings. EILEEN MULLALEY hopes for a wild Irish rose; as for MERLE FOLKERS, he declares, "Roller skates; I'm tired of cars."

The Sophomores seem to be interested in substantial things such as: a small good-looking blond for PAT CROWLEY; a tall good-looking blond for MERLE LINKLETTER; a piano for DIANE DUNLAP; and the Santa Anita race track for DOROTHY KROENING. JERRY COX says that he wants "Money; I've got good looks." (Hmm, he's not a bit conceited.) DOUG OZIAS hopes for a year's vacation in Hawaii; HILDA SCHNEIDER wants a Jaguar, equipped with a man; and KAREN FOSTER says she needs "More hands to carry all my books."

As for the Freshmen, perhaps Santa should leave: less music in the band library for BARBARA O'KELLY; a doll that cries "Ma, Ma," for BETHINE CULBERT; some purple angora gloves for BARBARA POST; a periscope for JOHN EDISON; and an extra large box of Kleenex for CAROLYNE STADE. JOHN JORDAN thinks it would be nice if he got ten-dip ice cream cones; and BOB WILSON and FRED WEBBER would like no sister in the Senior class, and no more broken bones, respectively.



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MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO ALL
FROM

DICKKEY'S

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM
THE STAFF

Miss Petrusch	Vera Jacobs	Nancy Kinton
Mrs. Muir	Neva Hill	Carolynne Stadel
Betsey Nachal	Phyllis Carlson	Donna Petrusch
Shirley Larson	Joyce Kolda	Sandra Fillenworth
Joyce Novak	Carol Kilp	Mary Lou Pazour
Elaine McEue	Sally Madison	Carole Merythaler
Joyce Biter	Judy Gipp	Priscilla Farmer
Charles Birmingham	Jean Lawson	Betty Gunderhrecht
Janet Florence	Ann Young	Mollie Keith
Go Ann LaBarge	Sherry Koppa	Tom Keith
Roxi Scott	Ferol Britton	Pete Kellams
Marilyn Conklin	John Ballard	Bill Daugherty
Joyce Lacroch	Peggy Oglurn	∴ Mortimer