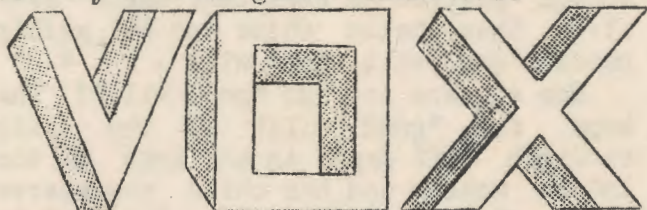


# BUSY TIME FOR HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Marion High School will be host to the annual WaMaC Band Clinic January 15. Plans are now underway for a 400 piece mass band and also a WaMaC picked band. Mr. Frederick Ebbs, conductor of the University of Iowa band, and Mr. Daniel Martino, the band director at Drake University will be guest conductors.



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The Marion Band played its Christmas concert December 13 in memory of Richard Nelson, an outstanding Marion bandsman. He played under the direction of Mr. Paul Wright, Marion instructor, when in the fourth grade and last year participated in state contest as a drum soloist. He received recognition as Marion's outstanding freshman soloist last spring.

"If Thou Be Near," "Triumphal March from Quo Vadis," "National Victors," "White Christmas," "Niobe," and "Christmas Festival" were numbers included on the program.

*Merry Christmas!*

## VOCAL CONCERT BIG SUCCESS



Use this stamp of merry cheer,  
Throughout the Christmas holiday.  
A person's life it may save--  
This tiny seal leads the way.

Put this stamp, with message bright,  
On every Christmas letter.  
Help the Christmas fight--  
And make each new year better.

## HI-Y TO DES MOINES

Robert Fernow and Bill Peck attended the annual Hi-Y Model Legislature in Des Moines December 3 and 4.

They received training in the passage of bills, legislative procedures, and the conducting of legislative sessions.

## INITIATE SPEECH PROGRAM

This year a speech program has been initiated in Marion High School. More than thirty students have been working on various aspects of speech since early in October, according to Mrs. Roach who is coaching speech contest work.

The school has joined both the Iowa High School Speech Association and the Iowa Forensic League. These organizations are well-known throughout the state. The organizations hold a series of contests which start in January and February. Among the different divisions in which students may participate are the following: interpretative reading, original oratory, radio speaking, extemporaneous speaking, dramatic declamation, humorous declamation, oratorical declamation, and television.

## Program Given

The Christmas Concert December 7, really put us in the Christmas spirit.

Enlarged Christmas cards made by Karen and Laurene Severson set the scene for each Christmas carol sung by the vocal departments, assisted by the seventh grade chorus, and all under the direction of Mrs. Marian Hulin. Accompanists were Doris Eckhart, Janice Harms, and John Mollenhauer. The narrator, Bob Maly, gave a detailed description of each card.

Some of the favorite songs included: "The Holly and the Ivy," "Good King Wenceslas," and "We've Been a While A'Wandering." The boys' glee club sang "O Tannenbaum," a German carol, for Maria Landgraf.

Featured soloists were Robert Fernow in "Birthday of a King," and Sherry Hopple and John Vikdal in "Song of the Crib."

"The Hallelujah Chorus" from the "Messiah" concluded the program.



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# Spread Good Will

This is the season when, "On earth, peace, good will . . ." are among the most used words in the Christian world. Children sing them from church and school platforms; Christmas cards proclaim them; bells chime and we glibly repeat "good will, good will . . ."

How sincere is our "good will"? The hope for "good will" is the only strength left deep in the eyes of the Indian mother and her child who starve in the streets of Calcutta. How good is our good will ? ? ? These words rise as an unspoken prayer over the fields of China where Chinese women wade in cold war-torn rice fields to harvest their much-abused crops. We hear this Christmas refrain echoing the world over, and as men are dying in roadside ditches--the world's radios bring talk of surrender and "peace."

How does this concern us? Our people are blessed with the necessities and luxuries of life. We have spread our "good will" among our people. Are any of our people dying on the battlefield?

One-fourth of the population of the United States is believed to be infected with tuberculosis. This dread disease costs the American people \$600,000,000 a year. The battle against tuberculosis is not a doctor's problem. A successful program depends on a well-informed, co-operative public and adequate funds. It belongs to the ENTIRE public.

Come December, we are bombarded with, "And what do you want Santa to bring you?" No wonder we decide Christmas is "what you get". Let's be sure we realize that the joy of Christmas lies not alone in what we receive, but also in what we do for others.

The National Tuberculosis Association needs YOUR help. The fight against tuberculosis belongs to the nation. Support the 1954 Christmas seal campaign wholeheartedly.

If we help to achieve the campaign goal, we shall be able to repeat the Christmas "good will toward men" not only with our lips, but with our minds and our hearts, too.



## The Long Adventure Continues

Prevention, not cure alone, is the goal of doctors today. Countless millions are indebted for their lives to the men of science who have fought tuberculosis.

T.B. was known before the stethoscope, germs, the microscope, and the x-ray were known.

## Fernow Installed As Master Counselor

Robert Fernow was installed December 11 as Master Counselor of the Linn Chapter No. 900 Order of DeMolay. Carl Adkins and Bob Murray were installed as Senior and Junior Counselors respectively. Robert French, Bruce Boling, and Don Morrison were the installing officers.

Following the installation the DeMolay members, the Rainbow Girls, and guests were entertained at a dance. The boys' quartet provided music during the installation.

Experiment after experiment was carried on while many people continued to die from it. Finally the "rest cure" was discovered quite unintentionally. It was the basic treatment around which the Trudeau Sanatorium was built in the Adirondack Mountains.

Today, instead of each doctor working separately, there is a united front against T.B. The long adventure is not over. Tuberculosis can only be controlled, not conquered. Methods of diagnosis and treatment are being perfected, and the fight is open to the keen minds of future scientists. The scientists are marching forward in all directions which should lead to victory—the elimination of tuberculosis.

## Commercial Club Takes Tour

The Alpha Beta Gamma Commercial Club visited the R.E.A. power plant, the Marion Sentinel, and the Marion telephone office during their meeting December 4.

Miss Frances Bees showed the club the modernistic designing of the R.E.A. plant which was just recently completed. All new offices and modern equipment were outstanding features of the plant.

Mr. Larry Tanner of the Marion Sentinel directed the group through its office, press room, and publishing department.

The switchboard and its operations highlighted the tour of the telephone office shown us by Mrs. Patricia Luse. The speed and efficiency of these operators was especially noted in this visit.

## HAVE YOU NOTICED—

The long strings of beads the girls are wearing?

The matching sweaters of Nancy Siders and Terry Halstead, and Mary Jo Mercer and Kenny Smith?

Dave Martin's pink corduroy pants?

Jean Hajny wearing fuzzy-cuffed socks to match her skirt or sweater.

The black loafers the fellas are sporting?

The letter sweaters of red, gold, or white, decorated with letters, emblems, chevrons and pins?

White bucks losing popularity this year as compared with last?

Marlene Dye and Penny Lacock wearing skirts and vests alike, only in different colors?

Collars being made of velvet, leather, fur, angora and cotton to be worn with sweaters this year?

Scarves also adding a touch of color?

The hair styles of Bob Wilson, Bethine Culbert, and Janet Holmes?

George Hess wearing his pink and gray stocking cap?

## GUESS WHO?

\_\_\_ oval  
\_\_\_ ambitious  
\_\_\_ ice  
\_\_\_ energetic  
\_\_\_ talented

\_\_\_ healthy  
\_\_\_ orderly  
\_\_\_ likeable  
\_\_\_ usual  
\_\_\_ exact  
\_\_\_ sociable



# ALUMNI CORNER

## ALL-STATERS GO TO DES MOINES

Roger Hilton, Frieda Nesetril, Carol Goodrow, Beth Michel, Mary Lou Pazour, Harvey Sollberger, and Judy Welper played with the 272 piece All-State band and the 176 piece orchestra in Des Moines during the Thanksgiving vacation. Hilton was outstanding as he sat in second chair in the state orchestra.

They had been chosen for All-State band at a preliminary clinic at Manchester where each was selected for his outstanding musical ability. This included technic, tone, and sightreading.

Each of them experienced many new ideas while preparing for the final concert Saturday evening, November 27. They witnessed a 1700 voice state chorus which also participated in this concert.

There was time for fun, too! Their evenings were free after eight o'clock, and the Marion bandsmen took advantage of it!

Each of them concluded that it was a real thrill to go, so--if you ever have the chance, try, and you may become a member of All-State band, chorus, or orchestra at Des Moines in the near future.



Marilyn Davis ('54) is working at the First National Bank in Marion.

Harold Hutchins ('54) is stockroom attendant at Collins Radio in Cedar Rapids. He is going steady with Joyce Kolda, our school secretary.

Shirley Larson ('54) is working at the Bell Telephone Office in Marion. This summer she became engaged to Keith Smith ('53).

Jim Malake ('54) joined the Navy after graduation and is stationed at the Great Lakes. Jim is awaiting transfer overseas.

Carol Whitmer ('54) is in Washington, D. C., working as a stenographer in the Navy department.

## PERFECT BOY & GIRL

The perfect Marion High School boy would have:

Pete Kepros' hair, Dennis Jones' smile, Bob Bunting's eyes, George Brewer's physique, Jerry Clark's personality, Louis Janecek's voice, Dean Metcalf's nose, Mike McKenna's teeth, David Martin's mouth, Dallas Fairley's height.

The perfect Marion High School girl would have:

Barbara Gill's hair, Beverly James' smile, Frieda Nesetril's eyes, Judy Ebsen's figure, Hilda Schneider's personality, Kathleen Davis' voice, Sandra Montgomery's nose, Judy Grimm's mouth, Carole Heythaler's height.



*Mortimer's Squeaks*

Dear Friends,

Lyla Dye has been happy since she got Bill Farmer's ring.

Who has Nancy Paul been dating?

What's this about Bill Dougherty and Darlene Dostal?

Karen Knapp is receiving quite a few letters from Nebraska.

Robert Wilson seems to be attracted by a certain Freshman girl.

Danny Peterson and Darlene Shanklin have been enjoying each other's company.

Has everybody seen Bill Peck's little jiffy library helper?

There certainly are a lot of Senior girls without dates! What's the matter, boys?

Freshman girls are becoming more athletic. They now take walks at five o'clock in the morning.

Penny Lacock likes to go rabbit hunting.

Pat Ozburn and Edwin Keyes are becoming a familiar couple.

Who did we see Shirley Kelso with?



I predict: 1. Bob Murray won't doodle in study hall anymore. 2. There will be a white Christmas this year. 3. Karen Byam will find her man soon.

Your friend,  
Mortimer

Sharon Wilkinson



do your  
CHRISTMAS  
SHOPPING EARLY  
at  
STORM'S

 JACKSONS   
before after

## WHO'S WHO IN M.H.S.

This month we are presenting Priscilla Tanner, president of G.A.A., and Jeri Smith, president of Student Council.

Perky, who is the president of G.A.A., also belongs to the Thespian Club, Science Club, and Alpha Beta Gamma, and is a member of the Vox staff. She sings second soprano in girl's glee club. "Perk's" favorite pastime is playing and watching basketball. Regardless of all these activities, Perky finds time to attend the Methodist Church where she sings in the choir, belongs to M.Y.F., and Bracelet girls. After graduating she plans to go to college and major in physical education.

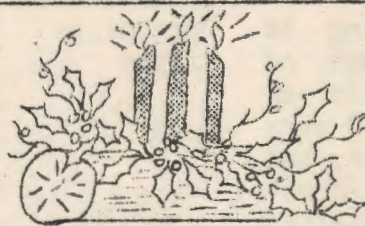
Jeri, who was chosen 1954 football captain for the Homecoming game, belongs to the Letterman's Club and sings in Boy's glee club. Jeri has participated in both basketball and football all four years of high school. His favorite pastime is sports. Besides sports, he finds time to work in the lunchroom at noon. After graduation he plans to go to college either at Iowa University or Coe.

Wouldn't It Be Funny If  
Delmar had been Short instead of Long?  
Ferol had been Spain instead of Britton?  
Carole had been Duck instead of Bunney?  
Gary had been Pop instead of Siders?  
Carol had been Fluffy instead of Airy?  
Larry had been River instead of Brooks?  
Jerry had been Hershey instead of Clark?  
Sharon had been Daisy instead of Rose?  
Bill had been Doctor instead of Farmer?  
Bob had been German instead of French?  
Sharron had been Cloudy instead of Fehr?  
Jim had been Wrong instead of Wright?  
Pat had been Dancer instead of Hunter?  
Vincent had been Scarf instead of Hatt?  
Barbara had been Fence instead of Post?  
Kenneth had been Moth instead of Miller?  
Tom had been Less instead of Mohr?  
Lynn had been Smile instead of Wink?  
Bob had been Slap instead of Pinch?  
Marlene had been Natural instead of Dye?  
Bill had been Bushel instead of Peck?

Merry Christmas +



TO  
ALL  
FROM  
K-V CAFE



Greetings  
from  
Balsters



WESTERN  
AUTO



# basketball gets underway

## Squad Begins Practice

With the shrill blasts of whistles and the removal of much of the hair from boys on the team, the basketball season started. It has been noted that while neighboring schools have basketball practice a month before the season starts, Marion had a week and a half.

Some of the practices have looked more like football scrimmage. As has been noted, however, the boys' play is fast improving. The problem of fouls has been helped by Coach Hipple's plan of having every two fouls equal to once up the rope every practice the following week.

This year's squad is led by lettermen Dallas Fairley, Jeri Smith, and Darell Failor. The unusual thing is: no one on the varsity of 16 is over 6'1". It seems in a school this size there should be some tall boys out for basketball. At any rate, there should be some good fast games this year.

It is interesting to note that seven boys on the squad were backs on the football team, 3 were ends, 3 were linemen, and 3 were out for cross-country. The Indians started the season against Maquoketa, December 3. So, to the boys who wear the MHS uniforms this season, Good Luck in the conference and in the tournaments.

## Marion Football Players Receive

### All-State Honors

Four outstanding Marion gridders received honors from the Des Moines Register by being named to the All-State Honorable Mention. These four boys, who have sparked Marion play this year, are Jeri Smith, end; Bill Farmer, tackle; Ted Burkart, back; and Darell Failor, back.

Bill Farmer received added honors when he was awarded a certificate from WMT for outstanding line play during the season. Thirty-three boys from the WMT listening area were chosen for this honor.

## STANDINGS

### Varsity

	Won	Lost
MARION	2	0
Anamosa	2	0
Tipton	2	0
Independence	1	1
Manchester	1	1
Maquoketa	0	2
Monticello	0	2
Vinton	0	2



## RESUME

They should have issued the football pads before the Indians played Springville on Saturday, November 20. Ragged floor play and leaky defense on Marion's part featured the game.

Lack of bench strength was a prime factor in the loss. After Darell Failor and Dal Fairley fouled out, Springville just walked away. Final score was Springville 68, Marion 56.

Bouncing back after the Springville game, Marion cleaned the Mustangs 63-27 on the Mt. Vernon floor.

Mt. Vernon's biggest scoring quarter was the fourth when Marion's subs were in.

Using a stall the last minute of play, the Indians beat the Wilson Ramblers of Cedar Rapids 45-42 at Coe on November 26.

Using speed to overcome Wilson's towering height, the Indians ran the Ramblers to death. Failor was high for Marion with 11 points scored.

Marion fans were wondering, December 10, how Independence found so many giants in one school, as the Indians floored one of the WaMaC's tallest squads, 55-46.

Led by 6'6" Ron Ehler, listed among the country's top five hundred preps by a sports magazine, Independence is rated as a top contender in the WaMaC race.