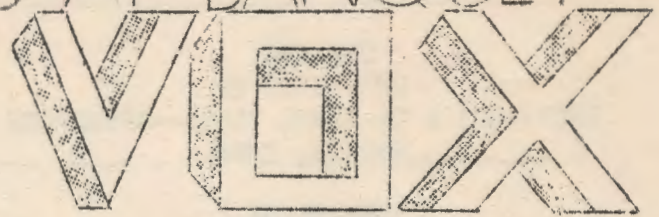


DUTCHER SPEAKS AT BANQUET

Next Tuesday, March 22, is the annual Athletic Banquet honoring the athletes at Marion. Dr. G. K. O'Brien will be toastmaster, and Jim Dutcher, athletic director at Cornell, will speak. The boys' glee club will sing.



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GAA HONORS SENIORS

GROUP OF TEENAGERS FORM DRIVING CLUB

On February 14, Marion teenage boys met at the fire station to form a good driving club. The boys had written a letter to the police chief asking for an opportunity to form a good driving club, and because there has been so much careless and reckless driving in Marion, the plan was promptly drawn up. The boys met at the station with Carl E. Foster, Dick Cayler, Rev. Roy C. Fields, G. C. Clemenson, and Leighton Ford.

"The Marion Dualers", as the club is called, was organized to promote good and safe driving among the Marion teenagers. In doing this, the boys hope to help the adult drivers as well as the teenagers.

At the first meeting the boys elected the following officers: president, Delmar Long; vice-president, Kent Burns; secretary, Fred Wills; treasurer, Gene Armstrong; and publicity chairman, Doug Ozias.

Before the boys can join the club, they must have the car they own or the one they drive checked by a safety official. If one of them violates a traffic rule, he must go on trial before the members before he can be re-admitted into the club.

Dorothy Kroening Wins Art Contest

Dorothy Kroening, a Marion high school junior, was selected as a key winner in the Iowa Scholastic Awards Art Exhibit for her black ink drawing. Her entry was one of 2,775 entered in this year's contest. Elizabeth Waffle and Donna Patschke received honorable mention.

Saturday, February 26, Dorothy and her family attended a dinner at Yunker's Tea Room in Des Moines where she received a gold achievement key for her winning entry.

Her drawing will be entered in the National Art Exhibition to be held at Carnegie Institution at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The contest at Marion is sponsored by the VOX staff with Miss Amelia Petrusch as advisor.

BIG TEN HELD AT ARMAR

On Friday, March 4, the Big Ten Ball was held at the Armar Ballroom, honoring eleven of the outstanding Senior students.

The members were chosen by the student body and the faculty on the basis of scholarship, character, citizenship, and leadership. The members included: Doris Eckhart, Eileen Mullaley, Mary Lou Pazour, Frieda Nesetril, Betty Ann Rinderknecht, Maria Landgraf, Bill Peck, Bob Fernow, John Mollenhauer, Bob Murray, and Carl Adkins.

Maria was chosen as an honorary Big Ten member. Mrs. Fulton and members of the G.A.A. board conducted the presentation. As each member of the Big Ten was presented, his or her parents came from backstage and stood behind the members. Each student was presented with a certificate and an engraved medal. Former Big Ten members were guests.

The Musical Notes played for the dance, which is an annual affair, and is sponsored by the G.A.A.

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"A. BORROWED ITEM" SPEAKS

During the course of the last few weeks I have been in one hand and out another, carried in this pocket or that pocket, lost here and found there. My span of life is very short, but I am well traveled and have received much use during my short lifetime. My name is sometimes referred to as "A. Borrowed Item."

Many times I am returned to my rightful owner, but most times I am not. Whoever borrows me for a study hall period or English class undoubtedly intends to return me or "pay me back", but I am sorry to say, that never happens. My owner has to get along without me as a result of a kindness to one of his fellow classmates.

Borrowing me, or one of my relatives, is not a very good habit to adopt. Why not get used to using your own possessions and leaving me with my rightful owner?

Who Was St. Patrick?

St. Patrick was born at Kilpatrick, near Dumbarton, Scotland, in the year 387 A.D. When Patrick was 16 years old, he was captured by Irish marauders and sold as a slave to a chieftan who was a high priest in a neighboring county. He served the priest for 6 years and during that time learned to speak the Celtic language. When he escaped from his master, he found a ship that was ready to sail from Western Ireland, and in a few days he was in Great Britain. There Patrick went to a monastery to study. He remained in Britain for 18 years preparing himself for his work.

Pope Celestine commissioned him to work in Ireland, where he arrived in 433 A.D. Patrick preached and taught in Ireland for many years despite opposition from the Druids. He was taken captive by them 12 times. One of these times he was loaded with chains and condemned to death. He lived until March 17, 493, and was buried in a shroud made for him by Saint Brigid. In later years the cathedral of Down was built on this burial spot.

St. Patrick has been honored in America from the earliest times on the anniversary of his death which was March 17. One of the legends which has grown up about the life of St. Patrick concerns the expulsion of snakes from Ireland.

It seems he had banished them all except one old serpent which refused to leave. According to the story, St. Patrick built a box and invited the serpent to enter it, but the serpent objected on the grounds that it was not large enough to hold him. St. Patrick insisted the box was big enough to be comfortable, and after considerable discussion the serpent agreed to enter it to prove it was too small. As soon as the serpent was inside, the Saint shut the lid, fastened it, and threw the box into the sea.



VOCAL CLINIC WELL ATTENDED

The WaMaC Vocal Clinic was held at Anamosa on March 12.

A practice session took place in the afternoon at which time each vocal music teacher directed the song that she had chosen. The critic-judge, from the University of Iowa's music department, was Dr. Marvin Thostenson.

The evening program was given in the auditorium of the Anamosa High School. About 635 students from all of the WaMaC schools except Independence participated.

alpha beta gamma enjoys speaker

The regular meeting of the Alpha Beta Gamma club was held in the typing room Thursday, March 3.

Mr. Gene Potter, a representative from the Cedar Rapids Dictaphone Corporation, gave a talk and demonstrated the use of the Dictaphone in business offices.

At the conclusion of his talk, each girl dictated into the machine and then listened to the playback.

COMING EVENTS

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| March 22 | Athletic Banquet |
| 24 | Court Day |
| 25 | WaMaC Party |
| 26 | State Indoor Track Meet |
| April 1 | Band Concert |
| 5 | Career Day |

wamac clubs meet here

The annual WaMaC Party is being held in the Marion High School gymnasium the evening of March 25. Each WaMaC school will send 26 representatives to this party.

From Marion the representatives are: Bill Peck, Tommy Keith, Bob Story, Eloise Allen, Bob Fernow, John Mollenhauer, Sherry Hopple, Doris Eckhart, Ted Burkart, Dal Fairley, Bob Murray, Jeri Smith, Darell Failor, Carole Meythaler, Stanley Hackert, Mary Lou Pazour, Frieda Nesetril, Bill Farmer, Belva Lenz, Terry McEnany, Priscilla Tanner, Eileen Mullaley, Peg Ozburn, Beth Michel, Kay Nielsen, and Betty Ann Rinderknecht.

yc crowns couple

The Sweetheart Ball, which was sponsored by the Marion Youth Center board, was held on February 19.

The king and queen were Dallas Fairley and Sherry Hopple. Other attendants were: Bobby Lapham, Doris Eckhart, Dennis Jones, Bob Murray, Seniors: Hilda Schneider and Larry Brooks, Juniors; JoAnn Fernow and Buzzy Clark, Freshmen.

The Variety Club played for the dance, an annual affair held in the gym.



WOULD YOU KNOW HIM?

We know many things about George Washington, but have you ever wondered how he appeared to the people of his time?

He was a tall man--well over six feet--with a body that was well-proportioned according to his height. His eyes were a blue-grey and were heavily browed. His appearance was that of a composed and dignified person although in reality he was shy and retiring. He didn't do much public speaking for that reason.

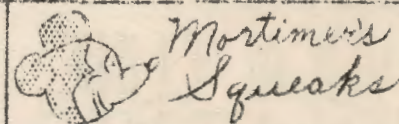
A resolutely closed mouth and a firm chin hinted of his perfect physical and moral courage. His skin was rather pale, and even in extreme excitement it did not color. The facial muscles betrayed emotion where the color did not. His hair was auburn, although most pictures show him wearing it powdered or wearing a wig.

This was the man they knew; this was the father of our country.

WINNERS GO TO DISTRICT

On March 10 Marion high school students traveled to Monticello for the pre-district speech contest. The first place winners of this contest will go to the district in a few weeks. The winners were Sandra Lacock, Kathy Ray, Hilda Schneider, and Doris Eckhart.

ALUMNI CORNER



SENIOR GIRL WINS CONTEST

The Betty Crocker Home-maker of Tomorrow award was presented to Barbara Dunlap on February 18.

She won the award by receiving the highest rating in a written examination taken by the Senior girls to test their home-making knowledge and ability.

By winning this award, she is automatically entered in the state competition. The state winner will then be entered in the national contest, selecting the all-American homemaker of tomorrow.

A \$1,500 scholarship is awarded to the state winner. The national championship prize is a \$5,000 scholarship.

F.F.A. SENDS TEAM TO CONTEST

On January 26 the chapter sent a team to the hog judging contest in Iowa Falls. This team consisted of Bob Unash, Richard Rinderknecht, Kenny Morrison, Jim Trachta, and Jim Robertson. The chapter is also preparing to send a parliamentary procedure team to contest on February 19, at Central City.

Harriett Bruce ('53) is a student at the Walther Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

Jo Ann La Barge ('54) is working for her father in Hartley, Iowa.

Jim Lang ('53) is an electrical engineering student at Ames.

Chuck Kent ('54) is now attending Iowa University at Iowa City.

Sally Madison ('54) is working at Jack's Photo Shop here in Marion.

Suzanne Holmes ('54) is attending ISTC at Cedar Falls.

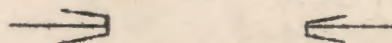
DRAMATICS CLUB TAKES PLAY TO FESTIVAL

"High Window", a one-act play by Verne Powers, was taken to Vinton to the WaMaC Play Festival by the Dramatics club on February 19.

This same play was presented in the Dramatics club assembly on March 4.

The cast included Mary Lou Pazour, Carl Adkins, Alice Krizek, Fred Weber, and Mary Kulish.

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EASTER SEALS



Hello Everyone,

I'm a little hoarse yet after yelling so much at the games at Iowa City.

Eileen Morrison goes in for tall boys, especially with ones by the name of John.

We have been hearing things about John Woods and a certain Freshman.

Several Tanner girls, I hear, broke some training rules the night of the Rainbow Dance.

Attention bushwhackers! Have you ever tried 486 Sixth Avenue here in Marion?

Have you seen Chuck's class ring on Diane Dunlap's finger?

I hear that Sandra Lacock likes a boy that has big feet. What about it?

Who was Rosalie Siemer out with the night of Judy Christensen's party?

We hear Dan Peterson divides his interests between Cedar Rapids and Vinton.

Why is Karen Byam always so interested in attending out of town band activities?

Beverly Larson has been seeing quite a bit of a certain boy by the name of Kenny Crowley.

I predict that a wonderful time will be had by all at the WaMaC party.

I also predict that the Seniors will soon be facing new problems.

'Bye now,

Mortimer

what is your secret desire?

Dorothy Kroening--"Go to Texas and marry a millionaire"

Judy Ebsen--"A certain junior boy"

Elizabeth Waffle--"Any one of several certain boys"

Carolyn Davis--"I wish I were already in the WAVES"

Janice Schultz--"To have a partnership in a grey, '51 Chevie"

Richard Ledvina--"Get an 'A' in biology"

Bob Unash--"To take a trip to Hawaii"

Elizabeth Thompson--"To get my driver's license"

John Woods--"To be a senior at McKinley"

Bob Story--"Har Har Hardy Har Har"

Margaret Martin--"To play my sax like Wayne King"

Carol Airy--"Larry be off his crutches"

Edith Corporon--"To be a millionaire"

Mary Lou Pazour--"To go to Arabia and have a harem of my own"

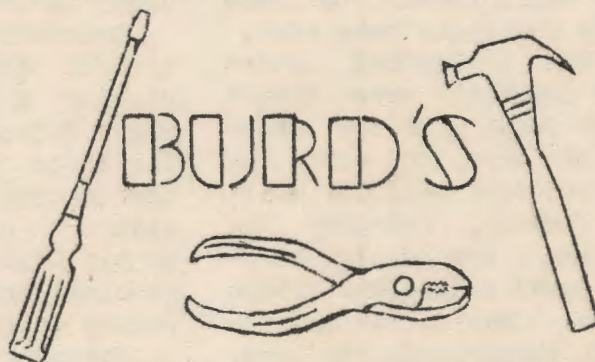
Donna Hall--"To go bushwhacking with an Eskimo"

Nancy Johnson--"To be a bullfighter"

Sherry Barney--"To be a great football star"

Rose Walkner--"To date a certain boy from Coe"

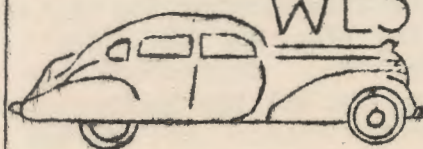
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WHO'S WHO IN M.H.S.

This month we present JoAnn Huntoon and Bill Dougherty, Junior class representatives on the student council.

JoAnn is a member of both Science and Thespians Clubs. She has been active in G.A.A. and girls' glee club for all three years of high school. "Jo" played the part of Joan Wood in the Junior class play. She attends St. Joseph's Catholic Church and sings in the choir.

Bill is treasurer of the Industrial Arts Club and vice-president of Student Council. He has been on the honor roll all three years of high school. He is in mixed chorus, boys' glee club, double boys' quartet, and sings in St. Joseph's Catholic Church choir. Bill belongs to Thespians and has gone out for debate. He is a sports writer for the "Vox". He played the part of Ted Wood in the Junior class play.

ST. AMBROSE OUSTS MARION

marion takes title

Using a stalling type of offense, the Tipton Tigers almost upset the Marion applecart in the game won by the Indians, 40-37.

Behind at the half 23-22, Marion started to beat the Tigers at their own game by working the ball in meticulously to make sure the shots were good.

The individual stars for the night were little Dick Jones for the Cedar County crew, and Jerry Cox played very well for us.

Tuesday, February 15, Marion completely overwhelmed a listless Vinton crew. Marion was in control throughout the game, which was marred for Vinton by sloppy passing and bad shooting. The whole Indian bench saw action in the fourth quarter.

final standings

Varsity

	Won	Lost
Marion	13	1
Independence	11	3
Anamosa	10	4
Manchester	7	7
Monticello	5	9
Tipton	4	9
Vinton	4	9
Maquoketa	1	13

Sophomore

	Won	Lost
Monticello	13	1
Marion	12	2
Independence	8	6
Anamosa	7	7
Manchester	7	7
Vinton	4	9
Tipton	3	10
Maquoketa	1	13

marion advances to sub-state

Starting the district tourney off with a bang at Iowa City, the Marion Indians showed Belle Plaine, the South Iowa Cedar champions, how the WaMaC Conference plays ball. Getting off to an early lead, the Indians cleared the bench in the final period.

Spectators must have thought the Indians were playing a Big Ten team when Wilson came on the floor to meet Marion in the second game of the district tournament. Led by big Cliff Svoboda, the Ramblers presented an imposing team.

Marion's inability to hit in the first quarter hurt the Indians. For a short time after Fairley fouled out in the third period, the Indians seemed to give up, but after the pep talk the Hiplemen seemed to catch fire.

Sighs of relief were heard from the Marion fans as the final gun blew in the Marion-Anamosa game. The old adage that "the third time's the charm" almost paid off for the Raiders in the huge Iowa fieldhouse.

One bright spot in the game was the shooting of Dal Fairley, who finally wound up with 16 points.

Most spectators agreed, if Anamosa had been rebounding and shooting in their usual form, the game very easily might have gone the other way.

last second is fatal

The general comment of Marion players and fans following the sub-state battle with St. Ambrose was one of disbelief. The well-balanced Marion team was in complete command of the game most of the first three periods. Some of the year's best rebounding was shown in the first half of play by the Indians. Inability to hit the basket in the final quarter spelled defeat for the Hiplemen.

Though defeated, the Indians deserve some mention for their play. Jeri Smith did a great job on the defensive boards and Jerry Cox and Ron Altenberg, hit well from out. Outstanding in the contest was the shooting, floor play, and rebounding of Darell Failor.

The dribbling of Altenberg met its equal in Gene Duffy of St. Ambrose. The stubby little guard, with less than three seconds in the game, started his one-man stall. The St. Ambrose 6'4" center is the most graceful boy of his size we have seen all this year. Although a losing team always seems to hunt an alibi, the referees seemed to be a little hesitant in blowing the whistle late in the fourth quarter. Congratulations are due to the Indians on their season and to the St. Ambrose team and rooting section.