# **Pioneers**

**BONNIE WILCOX** 

They went through the wilderness without a guide,

Some of them made it; some of them died.

They had many hardships and suffered a great deal,

And they had to hunt if they wanted a meal.

Dangers of Indians always were there,

But most were brave so they took that dare.

When they finally made it and settled down,

They built log homes and plowed the ground.

Many suffered, many died, But there were many who sur-

Everyone was willing to lend

a hand, And they did it without even a command.

Homes they built out of sod,

And within each was the grace of God.

Remember always, of all stories told.

The pioneers were the most brave and bold!



Miss Bonnie Wilcox

## Girls' Sports

Carolyn Horner

With the completion of basketball in P. E. classes, girls are now learning different types of dances such as the schottische, polka, and various waltz steps.

Mr. Gaede's homeroom came out first in intramurals, and Mrs. Johnston's (my home to Library Club room) came in last.

# Who Sez . .?

Shoot a mile! - BILL MONT-GOMERY What's his face? - CATHY

HOGLUND 48x3 equals 192 — LARRY

TROUT

Tap! - MR. VASKE

Take out half a sheet of paper and your cover sheet. - MISS HAFFA

## **'Four Score and** Seven Years Ago'

**Becky Rodes** 

A hundred years have passed and still I see it, preserved forever.

This surely must be the place. Yes, the hole made by the cannon ball is still here. A general gave the order, but the ball missed its mark and crashed through that white frame house. frightening the occupants. The general could have been Robert L. Rodes, for he fought in this area. I remember reading about a field nearby. I can imagine hearty soldiers tramping over the wheat that grows there even now and spreading their blood on the nearly-ripen-



Miss Becky Rodes

ed stalks. In the field I see the stone barricades that once sheltered all but the tops of blue and gray caps. I remember a rusty old musket in a museum. Shells and gun powder had to be forced down the barrel and the smoke made the air hazy and dismal.

Through books and teachers it is all here. Charges and retreats . . . broken spirits and broken bodies . . . Farther on, in the woods, a well is surrounded by rotting logs. Men gathered there, from both sides, to water their horses, for there was no fighting after sundown. During this time many men must have asked themselves "What are we fightin' for?" We know they were fighting for

And always when I think of these things, I remember the great words of Lincoln: 'But the world can never forget what they did here.'

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Marion, Iowa

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## Ninth grade A and B teams end season with 5-5 records

Dave Messerli

Marion's ninth grade fell to Iowa City Southeast here on February 20 by a score of 66-64 in overtime. JIM SIMPSON led a Marion comeback with 32 points after they were down by 31-14 at the half.

The "B" team lost to Iowa City by a score of 36-26 as DAVE MESSERLI collected 11 points for the losers.

The freshman basketball team beat Iowa City Central here on February 27 by a score of 63-52. JIM SIMPSON led the Marion scoring with 31 points.

Marion's "B" team finished out its season with a 52-19 trouncing of Iowa City Central. JIM HOVEY led the scoring with 17 points.

The "A" and "B" teams finished the season with identical 5-5 records.

# Miss Eliason spoke

Kay Wood

Miss Eliason spoke at the February meeting of Library Club, urging members to consider library work as a possible profession. She pointed out that librarians are very scarce.

The necessity of drawing up a new constitution was discussed. The committee appointed for writing it includes: DON-NETTE FREDERICKS, KA-THY KING, and BILLI JEAN MILLER.



Mrs. Wright

## Mrs. Wright's poem to appear in Natl. **Poetry Anthology**

Mrs. Wright was recently notified that her poem "Seasons" has been accepted for publication and is to appear in the annual National Poetry Anthology, Teachers and Librarians Edition.

A letter from the National Poetry Press states: "Your work is one of the small number selected from almost nine thousand entries submitted by teachers, instructors, professors, and librarians in more than eight thousand high schools and universities . . . . The edition will be bound in full cloth with gold titles."

## Student-faculty game held March 4

Sammy Begley

Strong rivalry reigned in our school on March 4 when the faculty and freshmen played a basketball game with the faculty proving themselves superior, 52-45.

Faculty players were: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Hoeppner, Mr. Twachtmann, Mr. Dicken, Mr. Younkin, Mr. Miller, Mr. Flickinger, Mr. Linden, and Mr. Brainard.

Mr. Roberts led the scoring with 12 points. Some newlyfound prospects for professional basketball were: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Hoeppner, Mr. Dicken, and Mr. Miller.

An extra laugh came when the faculty cheerleaders let out some rather odd cheers. They came from a group of eighth grade boys - DANNY CARSNER, MARK RINAS GERRY HOPKINS, RUSS FORD, and STEW CIHA.

## Student Council plan 'Sloppy Joe' and 'Dress-up' days

Rick Taylor

Student Council met on February 2 when it was decided to have 'Sloppy Joe' day on April 1 and 'Dress-up' day on April 2.

Lunch hour music was approved . . . . Freshmen are to sit on the bleachers for some assemblies . . . Live bands will provide music for some dances if the cost is not too great . . . Talent show will be coming up late in March.

## **Doug Beadle** enjoys studying the weather

Jean Hovey

DOUG BEADLE pursues an unusual hobby - weather study. Back in August of 1962 Doug was "just looking for something to do", and his curiousity and interest in this area were aroused.

Doug's hobby is time consuming, for he studies all phases of weather patterns. He keeps records of precipitation, wind speed and direction, and in the morning and afternoon he takes barometer readings. Cloud types are recorded as well as high and low temperatures and humidity.

To take these readings Doug has special equipment. He has a rain guage, an anemometer, a wind vane, barometer, merescope, a maximum and minimum thermometer, and a hydrometer.

Doug has won several awards for his hobby - one being a blue ribbon at the county fair. At this time he's not sure whether or not he will enter his project in the Science

A bit of advice from Doug if you're interested in weather as a hobby . . . "First study the art of making graphs and charts."



Doug Beadle

## Can You Imagine.

Jackie Nohre

LOUIS JANNIE dancing the ballet while JIM HOVEY plays

MRS. BORG'S cooking a fail-

LINDA DUCKETT when she isn't flirting

MARY PETRAK going out for wrestling and always pinning her opponent

BRENDA LINSTROM taking industrial arts.

BRUCE KLINK taking home economics

MR. LINDEN in a bad mood

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## Shrinking Potion Number Nine

**Bill Montgomery** 

"Hi dare, folks! Dis is your favorite scientist, Doctor Igor Shnaushonheimer. Today I vill tell you about my adventures with 'Shrinking Potion Number

"It vas last Friday. I vas in my lab mixing my ninth potion of 'Shrinking Stuff.' Zen I held my nose, closed my eyes, and took a drink. Everyting in za room vas getting bigger and bigger. But no. I vos getting smaller and smaller! 'Shrinking Stuff' vas finally vorking!

"Zen I climbed out of za vindow to look around. I vent over to my next door neighbor's house vhich vas only thirty feet avay, but it seemed like a hundred yards.

"Since I vas only von-half inch tall, my uncut grass seemed like a giant Sequoia forest.

"Finally, I vas at my neighbor's house. I vas so tired I vent to sleep under a mush-

"Zen a huge roaring sound voke me up. I vas too frozen to move, so I just stayed where I vas, flat on my back.

"Zen I saw a lawn mover svepp over me, and everyting vent black. I zought I vas gone. But no. A pile of cut grass over my vace and a musrroom vas the cause for everyting to go black.

"I viped off za grass vith my hands, but it vas a bigger job getting zat mushroom off.

"Ven I finally got it off, I hurried home.

"Ven I got home, I vent into za lab and got a bottle of 'Growing Potion Number Von' zat stuff alvays vorked. I climbed up za bottle, unscrewed za cap, and dived in. . .

"Vell, here I am. Fifty feet high and stuck in za roof of my house! Zombody get me out of here! Help! He-e-e-e-lp!

The human brain is a wonderful thing. It starts working the moment you are born and never stops until you stand up to speak in front of the class.



Bill Montgomery

## Sodens commended for many years service at Vernon

**Jackie Nohre** 

In the custodial department of C. B. Vernon are the Sodens. Mrs. Soden was born in Nebish, Minnesota, and moved to Marion when she was six years old. Center Point was the birthplace of Mr. Soden. His childhood was spent in Benton County.

Mr. and Mrs. Soden were married in Marion, April 9, 1939. During the first 21/2 years they lived in Shellsburg, and Marion has been their home since 1941. They have a married daughter who lives in Marion. The four grandchildren, all boys, keep them busy, too.

Weekends spent at their cabin in Vinton or just camping out provide relaxation for the ns. Crocheting is Mrs. Soden's hobby, and Mr. Soden likes woodworking.

We commend the Sodens for their many years of dedicated service. Mr. Soden has been working for our school for eighteen years, and Mrs. Soden has fifteen years to her credit.

"I'm not saying she's a bad cook," said the boy friend, "but I know now why her family prays before every meal."

# **Favorites**

**Jackie Nohre** 

What's your favorite . . . ? Color - Green, BEN BRITTON Subject - Home Ec., SUSAN STICKNEY

Holiday — Christmas, PEG HOWE

Month - June because of my birthday, MARITA FRA-

Pet - All animals, MRS. **JOHNSTON** 

Dance - Monkey, dog, and pony, BERNEE KIBURZ Movie - Hard Day's Night, MARC SHARON

Color of hair - Blond, JUDY HUFFMAN

Instrument - Trumpet, MR. DICKEN

show - Burke's Law, SANDY GALLUP

Hobby — Girls, LOUIS SILLS Song — Love Potion Number Nine, ANTHONY MERUL-LA

Snack - Cheese and crackers, MR. TWACHTMANN

Book - David Copperfield, BRENDA BAILEY

Season - Spring, JANINE **SMABY** 

Who's your favorite . . . ? Actress - Elizabeth Montgomery, DEBBIE McKIB-BEN

Actor — Elvis Presley, DEVAN MOORE

Beattle - Paul, PATTY HAAS Author - Tolstoy, MRS. MIL-

Athlete - Rick Danford, RICK DANFORD

Singer — John Lennon, MIKE MORRIS

Singing group — Beatles, KIM KETELSON

Is it true blondes have more fun?

CINDY MARSHALL: It depends on the circumstances.

How tall are you? DAVID BRUCE: 6' 3"

What's your pet peeve? GREG TOPP: Too much homework on Wednesday

What's your lucky number? BRYAN THAYER: 7

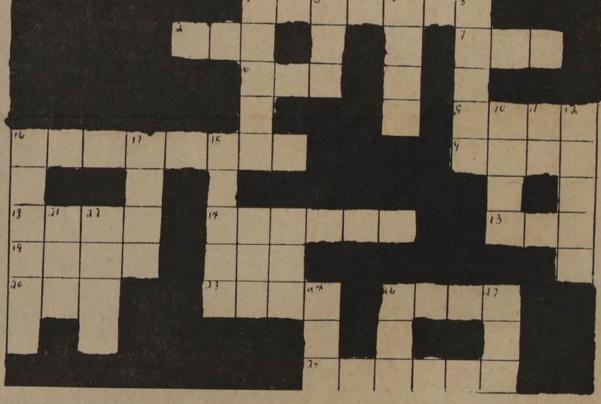
When is your birthday? CHIP KENSINGER: The Fourth of July

# Dear Abbey...

Dear Abby:

During a lunch period we were in the girls' room when the lunch teacher came in. She shooed us out, and we had been in there only a few minutes. What can we do about this? She wouldn't even let us wash our hands! Isn't cleanliness next to godliness? S and C

Yes, S and C, cleanliness is most desirable, but there really isn't much that you can do if a teacher asks you to leave the rest room. Although we believe you when you say that you were in the room only a few minutes when you were asked to leave, it also is true that many girls abuse the privilege of "primping" during the noon hour, thus creating problems for both teachers and other girls. Overlook it this time and give the teacher the benefit of the doubt. I'm sure she thought she was handling the problem right.



#### Across

1. \_\_\_\_ and cream

2. female pronoun

6. the shell of a pea or bean

7. the night before

9. a slender piece of metal 13. to look

14. an antiseptic

16. a large hill

18. midday

19. to eat

27. Hay 26. Fun 24. Gas 22. Only 21. Oil 17, None 16. Monday 25. Adios 12. Elder II GI

10. Days

20. every

23. to make melodious sounds

25. a day of rest

26. \_\_\_\_\_ and fowl

1. A beverage for those who think young

3. A conjuction

4. prefix meaning six

5. nxet odd integer after 5

5. Seven 4. Hexa 3. And I. Pepsi DOWN

26. Fish 25. Sunday 23. Sing 11A .02 19. Dine

## **Jackie Nohre**

10. intervals between one night and the next

11 abbreviation for General Issue

12. older

1g. Spanish for good-bye

16. second day of the week

17. not any

21. Texas tease

22. alone

24. car food

26. merriment

27. straw

18. Noon 16. Mountain 14. Iodine 13, See JieN .e 8. Edge 7. EVe 6. Pod 2. She I. Peaches ACTOSS

## **Teachers versus** teaching machines

**Cindy Marshall** 

Let's pretend . . . it's early one school day and the first period bell has just rung. Students are busy listening to the squeaky "voice" which is being transmitted from a rather oddlooking metal contraption with green eyes and flashing lights that stands in front of the

This may sound a little weird to you, but there are students for whom this may not be a part of the science-fiction world. If someone asked you "What is a teaching machine?" to what would your thoughts be turned?

Some might be able to visualize a classroom like the one described. However, some students have been mislead into believing that a "teacher" machine is something that functions as a human teacher but must be fed a can of oil for lunch! But please, leave the science-fiction for television and comic books!

Actually, the teaching machine is a device designed to supplement the instruction of a subject. The machines vary but usually are small devices about the size of a phonograph, employing various teaching techniques. One common example is a machine in which a button is pushed and a question (based on material given previously) appears. The student then places his answer in a blank on the machine. Following this, the correct answer is given. In this way, the machine takes the place of a textbook. And listen to this, kids, there is little or no homework!

As of now, the machines have been primarily used in high schools and colleges for teaching of foreign languages and math courses. Though they are gaining in popularity, there are many arguments against their usage. For one thing they are costly and require highly skilled teachers to aid in their programs. Some say the program tends to produce boredom and destroy creativity. Also, students tend to memorize material with little interest extended to explore or do research for the answers.

Yet experiments show that students do learn faster and retain knowledge better with these programs.

It's kind of confusing, isn't it? But under this program school certainly would be different. Can you imagine a machine telling you a joke it had heard recently or telling you something IT had done when IT was your age? Think about the personality a human teacher brings into his or her subject. Now imagine the "greasy" personality of a machine, straight from an oil can! Can a machine teach a subject with the interest and sensitivity of the human teacher It has been said "The teacher (human) is the most sensitive teaching machine yet devised." If so, do we really need mechanical "teachers"?

## Boys offered tips on dating manners

From the Appleton, Wisconsin, Talisman, we have taken this article advising boys what to do on their first date. It has been noticed that many articles have been written on a girl's first experience in the dating game, so the boys have invented their own set of rules in the following article.

1. Asking for a date. Don't worry about this obstacle. After all, there are more girls than boys around. The lucky miss you are calling will jump at the chance to accept an invitation from you. When you've gotten the lucky girl on the phone, ask her if she's going to the game. If she is, you can tell her to meet you there. Of course, if she's changing her plans for you, tell her you'll pick her up somethime between 6:00 and 8:00 on Friday night. If you're not there by 8:00 tell her you'll call her the next time if you get a chance.

2. Calling for your date. Wait until the last minute to call for your date. This will make her very glad to see you as she probably was afraid you weren't coming. The most important thing to remember is never go to the door. Don't put yourself though the torture of meeting those over-protective parents who want to see what you look like before allowing their "little girl" to venture out into the world with you. Let them won-

3. Arriving at the destination. Be sure to walk at least four feet ahead of your date. Don't let anyone see you're with her or all those other girls will quit chasing you. After finding yourself a seat, try to make room for your date so that when you get up to go talk with your friends, she'll remain seated. Don't help her off with her coat because if you do, she'll expect you to help her get it on again.

portant thing to remember here is not to walk your date to her door. She'll think that you feel she can't take care of herself. After all, she's a big girl now. Tell her you'll see her around but don't say when. Leave her in suspense.

These are rules which many boys follow faithfully on their first dates. The only problem is that their first dates are very often their last dates, too!



Who is this ninth grade student?

Answers to last edition's pictures: teacher, Miss Elison; student, Eddie Hut-



Who is this C.B. Vernon teacher:

## Students busy in creative classes

**Becky Rodes** 

Seventh grade art classes have been working on a variety of new projects during third quarter. Each student is drawing - or attempting to draw - a self-portrait. Some simple pottery will be shaped, glazed, decorated, and fired. Other projects being continued are printing, tempra painting, lettering, linoleum block, and design.

Ninth grade art students are working on displays of work that they have done throughout the year. These will be placed in cases opposite the home ec. room. Each student's display will include work in drawing, painting, print-making, and ceramics.

Industrial arts students in seventh and ninth are working 4. Going home. The most im- on projects in wood, drafting, power mechanics, leather, and metals.

> During February, music students have been learning some of the stories behind the songs of the American Revolution and Civil War periods.

> Maybe highways are called traffic arteries because of the blood spilled on them these days.

## Happenings around Vernon Junior High

CATHY GIBNEY, eighth

JEAN HOVEY, ninth

On Tuesday morning, February 16, MRS. SIMPSON slipped on the steps coming down from her office. She was taken by ambulance to St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids where xrays showed she had four fractures in her vertebrae.

Mrs. Simpson will not be teaching for quite awhile and will have to wear a brace to support her back for several

We wish you a speedy and complete recovery, MRS. SIMPSON.

George Washington's birthday was more than a holiday for the junior high. There were 98 absentees — an all-time high.

LOUIS VASKE, born February 15, is the second son of the Laverne Vaskes. A real heavyweight - Louis checked in at 10 lbs. 2 oz.

MR. VASKE, incidentally, entered Mercy Hospital in Cedar Rapids on March 2.

We hope to see him back is school very soon.

The Pep Club bake sale brought in \$101.90. Plans are to buy new uniforms for the cheerleaders and possibly give awards to the best girl basketball intramural player.

It has been decided not to sell pennants this year. The matter will be brought up at tne beginning of next year.

SUSAN FORD boasts of a new brother, Bruce, born November 14, 1964.

Three of the latest fads among freshman are: going steady for a day (which might lead to trouble), freshman girls wearing pearl earrings and CHIP KENSINGER'S sporting black and white saddle shoes!

JAN MOORE had an appendectomy on January 3 and returned to school on January 17.

If you've been aroused because of the screams coming out of the science laboratory, relax, it's only CYNTHIA MARTIN, alias Madam Butterbrickle, giving her contribution to a "sound" study.

BECKY SCHMITZ had problems with this algebra equation: Find the ratio of 20/3q to 30/10q. Mr. Younkin's suggestion — "Well, Becky, all you have to do is watch your p's

CATHY HOGLUND and STEVE CHANDLER were walking down the hall together when a student politely tapped Cathy on the shoulder and asked, "Are you two brother and sister?" Reply, "Yes."

Which is denser, hydrogen or

helium, MR. LINDEN asked TOM HOWE. "LARRY TRO-UT'S head," was Tom's answer.

# Fears that can make you sick

Ed's note: Reprinted from "Good Housekeeping"

Do you know someone who hates being in small rooms or feels trapped in elevators? He may be a claustrophobe, a person who has a phobia - and intense dread or dislike of closed-in places.

A phobia can involve almost anything. Many people have mild phobias which do not interfer with their ability to lead normal lives. Phobias often are exaggerations of normal reaction to danger. Phobias though, can be serious enough to require medical treatment. Physchiatrists consider phobias to be neurotic to, or symptoms of, a deeper problem. Among the many phobias are:

acrophobia \_\_\_\_fear of height agoraphobia \_\_\_\_fear of open

androphobia \_\_\_\_fear of men autophobia fear of being alone anthropophobia fear of people bathophobia \_\_\_\_fear of depth entomophobia \_\_fear of insects gynephobia \_\_\_fear of women hydrophobia \_\_\_\_fear of water nyctophobia \_\_fear of darkness pathophobia \_\_fear of disease phobophobia fear of one's own

pyrophobia \_\_\_\_fear of fire thanatophobia \_\_\_fear of death xenophobia \_\_fear of strangers zoophobia \_\_\_\_fear of animals

## Seventh grade ended basketball season with 7-1 record

Sammy Begley

On February 11 the seventh grade defeated the Monticello team 48-36 when the teams met here. GREG MORRIS led the scoring with 18 points.

On February 18 the seventh grade won its game 41-24 when Manchester played here. Scoring was: GREG MORRIS, 10; ALAN ODEAN, 8; BOB SCHUELER, 6; DANNY BAL-STER, 6; DENNIS SCHMUECK. ER, 2; BILL MORDORST, 2; JIM MEGGERS, 2; STEVE WHITMORE, 2; and MIKE WALKER, 3.

The seventh grade thus finished its season at this game with a well earned 7-1 record.

#### EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL

## Dave Messerli

Marion's eighth grade won its last game of the year here on February 15 against Manchester by a score of 48-34. AL RISK led Marion scoring with 16 points.

# S.E.E.P. You Are What You Live DOLLAR DIPLOMAT IN THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Let's start a fund for Nikita Khrushchev and buy him a little farm. By working, he could retire in time with a bit of Social Security. The poor man needs help and deserving or not, every man needs shelter from the tyranny of Communism.

He who lives with fear is afraid.

He who lives with pity is sorrowful.

He who lives with hostility is belligerent.

He who lives with jealousy

He who lives with joy is hap-

py.

He who lives with encourage-

ment is confident.

He who lives with fairness is

just.

He who lives with praise is

appreciative.

How do you live?

Is it an ugly world? Or is it a wonderful world?

How do you want to live?

Experts say doodles determine your personality. Produce birds and animals and you are affectionate . . . If you scratch out arrows, you have a goal in life . . . Produce a checkerboard pattern and you are logical . . . Draw circles and you are a daydreamer . . . If you depict flowers and trees, you are lonely . . . Sketching stairsteps indicates you are eager and ambitious . . .

Girls are smarter than boys! Every schoolgirl knows this, but now there is some proof. A testing program on 750,000 California pupils in the 5th, 8th and 11th grades showed that in scholastic ability and all basic skills the girls outshone the boys.

The only exception were 11th grade boys. They were ahead of the girls in one subject—mathematics.

What should one really talk about?

If you talk about yourself you're conceited. If you talk about school, you're a teacher's

If you talk too much you're a bore. If you haven't anything to talk about you're uninteresting.

If you talk sweetly about a friend you're a log roller. If you talk about art you're a high-brow.

And if you don't talk at all you're a high hat!

You can't win by talking or keeping silent either . . .

Sign on a church opposite a country club: "Need exercise? Try kneeling!"

Little boys who constantly whine probably become groan men.

A man circled the block several times without finding a place to park. Finally he parked double, and left a note on the windshield saying, "I must keep an appointment here or lose my job. I've been around the block 20 times and couldn't find a parking place. Forgive us our transgressions."

When he returned, he found a ticket where he had left his note. It read: "This is your ticket. I've circled this block 20 years, and if I don't do this, I lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

"Will you lend me two dollars, but give me only one?"

"What's the idea? If you want two dollars, why do you ask for only one?"

"Well, if you lend me two and give me only one, you'll owe me one, and I'll owe you one. We'll be square."

A politician is one who will stand for what he thinks the people will fall for.

Jumping at conclusions is the only exercise some people get.

#### Doodles Determine Distinctions Beauty!—and Brains to Match Public Shrinking or Speaking

Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people.

## Problem: What To Do With Teen-Age Population?

The 3,700,000 young Americans celebrating their 17th birthday in 1964 numbered nearly 1,000,000 more than the 1963 crop of 17-year-olds. And teen-age population growth is going to continue. After 1966, each succeeding year's crop of 17-year-olds will be bigger than the ones before, reaching 4,000,000 or more by 1974.

This phenomenon of massive teen-age population growth presents social, moral, educational, juvenile delinquency, and employment problems which will increase each year.

- High school enrollment will increase 30 percent in the next decade. The enrollment of 12,700,000 in the fall of 1964 will become 16,300,000 by the fall of 1974.
- An even more troublesome problem is that a fourth of all 17-year-olds have already dropped out of school. They are adrift in a labor market where most employers insist on a high school diploma as the minimum educational requirement.
- Although these 17-yearold dropouts may volunteer for the armed services, they are not eligible for the draft until their 18th birthday. But it is estimated that 630,000 or about a third of today's 17-year-old boys will be found unqualified

for military service if examined for induction after their 18th birthday.

And these are just a few of the problems. If you, personally, know of a potential dropout, present these facts to him. Keep him in school!

#### The Droopy Slouch

It is a well known and accepted fact that good posture is one of the most important facets of a person's appearance. But few people realize the important part that good posture also plays in the health picture.

The body is meant to be held in a proper upright position with all of the vital organs in place and the blood circulating through it the way it was designed to do. Throw and twist it out of shape for long periods of time and the body has to work twice as hard to do what should be automatic.

It is easy to recognize the chronic "slouch," and it also is easy to recognize his symptoms. The "slouch" often becomes easily fatigued, always complaining of a listless feeling and he has a difficult time just getting through the day.

Usually, tall students are the worst offenders when it comes to tallying up bad posture habits, for most of them stoop in an effort to lop off an extra inch or two. But when it comes to sitting, both tall and short students alike ignore this situation, forgetting that good posture is important all the time.

If you remember to stand tall, walk straight, and "sit pretty," you'll be a stand-out in any crowd.

A slouch looks like a droop. Don't look alive . . . and you will be.

## JUST JUSTICE

"I understand," asked the brow-beating lawyer of the witness, "that you called on the defendant. Is that so?"

"Yes," replied the witness.

"What did he say?" continued the lawyer.

At this point the attorney for the other side objected that evidence about a conversation was not admissible. An hour's argument ensued. Then, the court retired to consider the point, returning after a considerable time to announce that the question was in order.

"Well, what did the defendant say?" repeated the lawyer with a confident smile on his face.

"He wasn't at home, sir," came the answer.

### **Three Sizes to Understand**

In the drug stores and markets of America, the word "small" has been radically changed. Manufacturers and advertising agencies see in that word only the trivial, the insignificant. Therefore, you must understand the three modern logical sizes — large, giant, and super. If you want the small size, take the large.

### Spud...Shmud—Please Pass The Unwholesome Potatoes

A potato is called a "spud" for an odd reason. At one time in the 19th century it was thought that potatoes were harmful in the daily menu. For this reason the Society for the Prevention of Unwholesome Diets was formed.

The abbreviation: SPUD.

#### Fail Once, Twice, Ten Times— And Then Learn to Succeed

The spirit that wins was recently manifested by a small boy who was learning to skate with a number of older playmates. The frequent mishaps of the little fellow awakened the pity of a tender-hearted woman.

"Why, Sonny, you are getting all bumped up," she said. "I wouldn't stay on the ice and keep falling down; just come up here and watch the others skate."

The tears of the last downfall were still rolling down his glowing cheeks, but he looked from his adviser to the shining steel of his feet, and answered: "I didn't get some new skates to give up with; I got 'em to learn how with!"

#### FATHER COUNTS BEST

Mother wanted to spend Saturday in town and father, an accountant, reluctantly agreed to give up his golf and spend the afternoon with the children. On her return, he handed her the following report of the afternoon:

"Dried tears — 9 times; tied shoes — 13 times; toy balloons — 3 per child; life of balloons — 13 seconds average; cautioned children not to cross street — 21 times; children crossed street 21 times; number of Saturdays I will do this again —0."

### Voice—Another Picture of You

When you speak, you broadcast to those within hearing a thumbnail history of your life. You show the state of your mind, the condition of your education. It is surprising the amount of time the average student will spend in dressing and primping and forget about the voice completely.

A voice may be as haunting and beautiful as a face. There are many examples in radio, where listeners have fallen in love with a voice without having seen the face of the singer or speaker. So, make your voice as well as your face beautiful.

### Whiz Quiz

The soldier was very thirsty on the desert. There was no water.

A boy came by on a camel and the soldier asked for some water.

"Tell you what," said the boy,
"I've got a half jug of water
here that you can have for nothing on three conditions: don't
pull out the cork don't make a
hole in the cork; and don't
break the jug in any way."

"Thank you," replied the soldier and after a minute he lifted the jug of water to his lips and drank.

How did he do it?

### ANSWER

He simply pushed the cork into the jug.

#### PERFECT WITH BACON

The neighbors were complaining to Mrs. Brown about the racket her son was making. "All the time he goes around cackling like a chicken," they griped.

"I know," said Mrs. Brown.
"We get tired of it around the

house too."

"But can't you do something for him? Can't he be cured?"

"Oh, I suppose a doctor could do something, but we need the egg."

#### What Does TACT Mean?

Tact is the art of doing or saying the right thing at the right time . . .

It is a kind of sixth sense acquired only after we have observed human nature and its reaction.

Tact is courtesy in action. You may not be brilliant, a dynamo of energy, a model of perfection or clever but you can be courteous.

Courtesy in every kind of activity means thoughtfulness of others attention to requests, respect for the demands of teachers, application of routines, consideration of fellow students, and careful heed to what you say and how you say

Rather talk too little than too much!

#### Not Brains or Brawn for Success, But Simply Getting Along . . .

To learn what errors youngsters starting on their first jobs should be warned about, a group of vocational teachers wrote to several thousand employers asking them to look up the last three people dismissed and tell why they had been let go.

The teachers had expected a long catalogue of reasons. They were amazed that more than two-thirds of the people losing jobs had been fired for one reason. It was the same in every sort of business for workers of all ages and both seves

It amounted to this — "They couldn't get along with other people."