



Miss Teresa Sova

Teresa Sova's poem is published

TERESA SOVA'S poem, "Drab, Cold Winter," has been published in the **National High School Poetry Anthology** as a "special mention" piece of work. A copy of the book, with Teresa's autograph, has been placed on reserve in the school library.

Although this poem appeared in an earlier edition of the school paper, we are submitting it again.

DRAB, COLD WINTER

Oh, drab, cold winter,
Must you come so soon?
It seems like just yesterday
That Spring had played with
June.

They had romped in the meadows
And played in the dew;
They had touched the pretty
flowers

Of brightly tinted hues.
Oh, drab, cold winter
With your trees so cold and
bare,

I am chilled by your winds
And your cold, silent air.
The birds have gone south.
I no longer hear their call.
Ice forms on the rivers
From the sky, snowflakes fall.

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Prairie junior band presented concert

Barbara Kemp

The Prairie Junior Band, under the direction of Ron Lenz, presented a concert for the music-lovers of C. B. Vernon on Friday, April 30.

The band played nine numbers, among them the well-known theme song from "The Great Adventure", highlights from "The Sound of Music," and "Consider Yourself." The program also included a sharp trio of cornets that played a zippy number called "The Trumpet Jets."

We certainly want to thank the Prairie Band and its director, Mr. Lenz, for forty minutes of popular and pleasurable music!

There's more to a paper than meets the eye

Becky Rodes

You seventh and eighth graders have determined by your recent vote what the future of **Marion Messenger** will be.

At the time of this writing the outcome is not known, but I, of course, am hoping that you voted in favor of its continued publication.

I will admit that because of our small staff, reporting sometimes has been inefficient, and it has been difficult to publish a really good paper. Perhaps, though, if more students would join this group, the work could be divided so that we could cover more events and write better features.

Mrs. Wright's tasks have been difficult this year, acting as our advisor, copy reader, typist, and doing many jobs that were, I believe, "above and beyond the call of duty."

And, remember, the fresh-

men who are on the staff this year won't be around to help. You seventh and eighth graders must take over the responsibilities of writing editorials and covering school events. I know you can do it, but not without adding a few members to your ranks!

Now is the time to decide on schedules and extra-curricular activities for next year. How about it? If you support the continuation of the paper, are you going to help by being on the staff or, if not, by contributing news when you have the opportunity.

Umpires attend school 5 weeks

Russell Glasgow

There shouldn't be any complaining about the umpiring this year in our summer baseball league. The umpires have attended five weeks of classes, covering the rule book completely. Twenty-four boys, from ages fourteen to eighteen, attended the course.

The first four weeks were spent studying the rules, and a test was administered at the last meeting.

Because the league can't use all of the boys, selection will be based on: the test score, attendance, and experience. This way the leagues are sure of getting the best umpires.

These boys will work the little and intermediate league games, and adults will umpire the major league.

Facts about the Junior Hi-Y club

Steve Reynolds

The Junior Hi-Y is a club of boys associated with the Y. M. C. A. They meet every Tuesday at the club room at the Y. This club is for boys in the eighth and ninth grades and is divided into the eighth and ninth grade sections with each section electing its own officers. Each section meets at a different time.

The club's purpose is to have fun and give service. They do both very well. The service project is fulfilled once a month.

Junior Hi-Y is a member of the National Association of Junior Hi-Y's.

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Seventh graders began the Open House activities with a group of three songs.

Annual open house was held April 26

Patty Logsdon

The annual Vernon Junior High Open House was held Monday night, April 26, beginning at 7:15 p.m. The program began in the boys' gym.

The seventh grade chorus, directed by Mrs. Wright, presented three selections — "God of Our Fathers," "The Little

Brown Church in the Vale," and "Seventy-six Trombones."

The Brass Choir, directed by Mr. Dicken, presented a selection. Six cornetists from this group accompanied the chorus in "God of Our Fathers."

Following the music program, the ninth grade Dramatics Club, under the direction of Mrs. Miller, presented a one-act play, "Genius Jr."

General open house was held in the classrooms following this program.

Many suggestions under consideration by student council

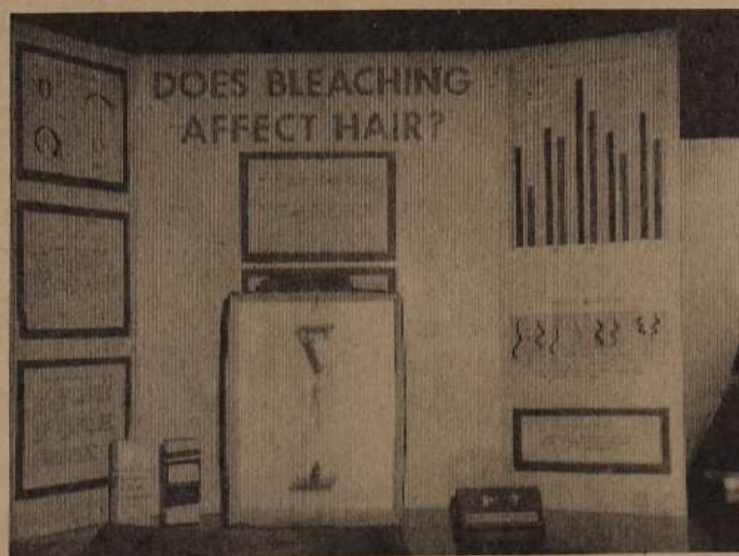
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Student Council met on May 4.

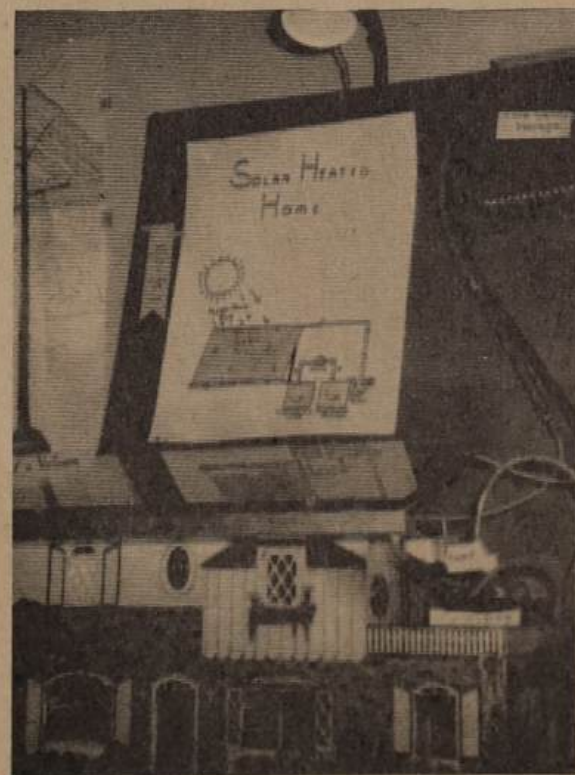
Mr. Fowler announced that there would be no band for the spring dance and the time would remain the same.

Four carry-over members were named for next year: seventh, BOB SCHUELER and JACKIE SCHROEDER; eighth, CAROL TUTHILL and BRUCE KLINK.

Up for consideration were these suggestions: rubber treads on the stairs; paper and pencil machines; sink repairs in the girls' and boys' locker rooms; a mirror for the boys' locker room; more gym equipment; and, a bell on the east side of the building.



BARBARA HUFFMAN won a first place ribbon at the Open House exhibit for her project "Does Bleaching Affect Hair."



MARK ANDERSON, eighth grader, won a third place ribbon at the Open House exhibit for his solar heated home.

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Matters of Opinion

Jackie Nohre

WHAT'S YOUR OPINION OF ART WORK DONE BY COMPUTERS?

MR. GAEDE: Art work done by computers, or any other mechanically produced art work, lacks the one ingredient which must be present if true art work is to be produced. That ingredient is the human being. It is true that human beings make machines, but the machine itself does not think or act creatively. True art work consists of an original idea born in the brain of an artist and expressed by him through some media: paint, clay, wood, etc. The machine does not conceive original creative thoughts; it merely responds. WHAT'S YOUR OPINION OF WRITING POETRY AND LITERATURE WITH COMPUTERS?

MRS. MILLER: Even though the whole idea seems incredible, plain, old-fashioned literature produced by those who actually experience life sounds a good deal more appealing. WHAT'S YOUR OPINION OF COMPOSING MUSIC WITH COMPUTERS?

MR. DICKENS: To my knowledge, this has not been a successful means of composing. Composing is an inventive art which must be accomplished according to rules of harmony. Each human mind will not think the same when composing.

Variety and style in good musical compositions are two components that make music so interesting. Human beings compose and try to include style, contrast and variety in their finished product. This will make music much more interesting for the listener and performer.

I am not, at this time, too well informed on the composing of music by computers. I

am most certain this would be possible, but I would predict that it would lack much variety, contrast, and style that our present composers include in their masterpieces.

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME?

LOUISE SMITH: I think we should have it, but it would not work very well unless the whole state has it together.

JACKIE SCHROEDER: I don't like it at first, but after the first few days, it doesn't matter.

TIM BRANDT: I like it in summer because it gives me more time to do the things I want to do and have to do, like playing baseball or mowing the lawn.

MRS. SIMPSON: I am very much in favor of the daylight savings plan; however, I think it would be better to have it on a nationwide basis.

GARY HUCKER: I think that daylight savings time is a very good thing in some ways. I like it in one way because it stays light longer so I can stay up later. But I do not like it because I am getting up earlier in the morning.

MR. BRAINARD: I favor daylight savings time. I was disappointed that the legislature didn't conform to the five-month plan. It seems to me that this daylight savings plan gives people more daylight when they would rather use it — in the evening instead of the morning.

DONNETTE FREDERICKS: I don't like it. It messes up the whole day.

MR. HOEPPNER: Speaking for myself, I think it is very nice. I enjoy going to work or school and then having several hours of daylight to work in the garden or lawn. I would like to see daylight time run from April 1 to October 1.

JEAN JACOBSON: I think daylight savings time is OK. We can stay out later at night and can make better use of our time.



DENNIS AMFAHR, eighth grader, exhibited his Digital Computer at the Open House exhibit.

Living on Lonk

Ralph Kanengieter

For the very few who don't know where Lonk is located, it is a planet between Neptune and Pluto. Lonk was discovered about three hundred years ago.

I have been to Lonk several times and can assuredly say that it's worth one's money to go for a visit to this planet.

The first thing I noticed when I stepped out of my spaceship was the lack of gravitational force. Having almost no gravitation to hold oneself on the surface, I dare say that one gets more amusement out of jumping forty feet off the ground than he does in any amusement park anywhere on the Earth.

Like the Earth, Lonk has no problems of supplying oxygen for human life. The oxygen is very pure because there are no odors or dust of any kind that pollute the air.

Life on Lonk appears to have been extinct for about ten thousand years. Whatever form of life there was, it appears to have a body somewhat like people on Earth.

There are many unusual specimens of plant life present on this planet. The grass-like weed which grows most everywhere is white. The reason for this is that there is little carbon dioxide for the plants to absorb.

The tree rock, which is similar to a tree but looks like a rock, has a bright red color.

Days and nights are twice as long on Lonk as they are on Earth.

The temperature usually is about fifty degrees Fahrenheit.

The sunset on Lonk is so beautiful and unusual that its colors cannot easily be explained. There are so many colors that it seems almost as if one were looking through a light spectrum.

To have the best time of your life, YOU should make a visit on Lonk.

Dramatics club

Cynthia Martin

A dress rehearsal of the ninth grade play, "Genius Jr." constituted the major business of a regular meeting held on April 21 in the school gym.

The play cast included: Mrs. Benson, BARBARA KEMP; Mr. Benson, BENNY STEAD; Judy Benson, BILLI MILLER; Nancy, CINDY MARSHALL; Donald Benson, STEVE CHANDLER; Fran, KATHY KNICKERBOCKER; Al, LARRY TROUT; Susie, BECKY SCHMITZ; and Vernon, DAN CIHA.

The year's activities were climaxed on May 17 with an open-gym party after school.



The Brass Choir, under the direction of Mr. Dicken, plays for Open House.



Ninth grade winners of the citizenship award, left to right, GREG TOPP, CINDY MARSHALL, CATHY HOG-LUND, and STEVE CHANDLER.

Band banquet was held on May 10

Marcia Stookey

The annual band banquet was held on May 10 at the Fairfax Royale Ball Room.

Before beginning the meal, the Marion High School jazz band played. Mr. Messerli gave the invocation and the dinner was served.

Four lucky freshmen were invited by the band to attend this banquet for playing solos in the recent senior high solo contest. They were MARY LEE HAHN, JANIS KEMPER, MARCIA STOOKEY, and CHRISTINE VESEY. From these we were entertained by MARY LEE, playing her contest solo, accompanied by JANIS KEMPER on the piano.

Later the co-captains, CONNIE PALAS, and GARY BREUNIG, gave speeches on the past year of band. These two speeches were especially significant to the seniors, for it is their last year in band. Mr. Wright, director, then gave a speech on what the band hopes for in the coming year.

Mr. Sorenson made the award presentation to the officers, and the officers for this next year were named.

CONNIE PALAS won the ARION award for her outstanding work in the past year.



Dan Ciha

The Saga of a Tire

Dan Ciha

The life of a tire has its ups and downs, victories and defeats. I should know because I am one. I am going to tell you of a few reasons why I prefer being a tire or sometimes would rather be a human.

Personally speaking, there are ten special reasons why I like or dislike being a tire. Some of you may think a few of them a little peculiar, but to us tires it is very important that we get things such as these off our minds. We tires don't usually have a chance to talk with people, but I'm so glad that you will listen to some of the reasons why I prefer being a tire over a human.

One thing that is very important to me is keeping physically fit. If you were a tire, you would have no problem at all in this respect because you would be rolling all of the time. Although this does have the tendency to give a person a curved back, it does harden the body. Some of my best friends have run as far as 1,100 miles in one day at an average speed of sixty-five miles perhour. Could any of you do that?

Also, being a tire is healthy in another respect. It takes the place of a Bufferin in getting rid of my headaches. You may think this is rather funny, but I have found no better remedy! At first, rolling around and around gets a tire kind of dizzy, but after you get used to it, rolling around is a lot of fun. Why don't you try it some time?

Another nice thing about being a tire is that it keeps me on the move. If, like me, you love to travel, then being a tire is just the occupation for you. Many times I have talked with people who have tried it, and they said it was a lot of fun while they were also enjoying the scenery. At the rate this sport is growing in popularity, it could be number one in a few years. But, before you try it, a piece of advise Keep your

head tucked! I know of one man that didnt and uh, oh well Just try it some time!

Another good thing about it is that it gives me something to do. If you had ever been a tire lying around the shop, waiting to be sold, you know what real boredom is. I had to wait in that shop for three solid months before my present human bought me. If you feel kind-hearted, why don't you help some poor tire out of this predicament. Buy a couple! At least the change of locality will do them some good!

Another good thing about being a tire is that since people depend on me, they treat me better than they treat some other things. They try to avoid those terribly deep chuck-holes that are in some city streets and county roads. Also, if they can help it, they don't run over glass, tacks, or nails. Sometimes, however, it is advisable to hit a chuck-hole or two to keep the driver awake!

One of the most important benefits of being a tire is that you don't have to work all day. Most people are in one of three categories; either the wanderer, worker, or homemaker. Of these three categories, the wanderer's are they that suffer the most strain. These wanderers travel all around the country; all around the clock. Some of these tires actually have suffered from mental and physical breakdown because they travel so much. The homemaker's and worker's tires aren't worked so hard. They usually just take their owner to work and shopping, or picking up the kids and taking Grandma some place.

Now I shall begin on the other side of the story. Sometimes, under a few conditions, I would rather be a human. Some of these I shall relate.

One of my pet peeves is drivers that think they know every blessed road in the country and try "cow paths" for shortcuts. This will usually mean a bumpy ride. Maybe once in a while a will make me feel good, but one right after the other gets on my nerves. Some of these bumpy rides have killed my friends, mostly from 'blow-outs,, the highest mortality rate of a tire. So I have devised a plan to keep my owner from using back roads. There are several steps in my plan. First, I attempt to grab the steering mechanism from the driver. Usually this works, but if it doesn't, I put on my brake. Then if this doesn't work, I break the steering rod. The farthest I have ever gone is to the second step.

Another of my pet peeves is that while my car is in the sales car lot, people kick me. I have been hurt by such gestures of Oh, I don't know what. I have seem some tires maimed for life from this kicking. If I were a congressman, I'd pass a law prohibiting the

kicking of tires.

While some tires don't mind fast stops and starts, I am one that does. I don't like the idea of leaving some of me on the pavement, and, whenever possible, I try to stop this action by knocking the brake out of kilter.

One of my great worries is that my owner may fill me with too much air, causing undo mental and physical strain from pressure on the inside of me. If too much air does get inside me, I usually unscrew the cap and let some air out. But sometimes I let too much out, causing my owner to get mad and fill me up again. After this goes on for three or four days, he gets tired of filling me up, so he quits. Besides, I figure that I know more about tires than he does anyway, don't you agree?

I am able to back up my statements, for I am a proud tire!



Steward Ciha

My Favorite Teacher

Steward Ciha

This teacher has been around since the beginning of the earth. He helped the cavemen, and he helped the generations that followed. He taught the Romans, and he taught the Greeks. He taught Solomon how to use his wisdom and David his sling. He has taught people to have faith. He has taught people through hard ship and pleasant things. He taught failure how to become success. He has helped people who were lost in the woods. He has taught me how to catch a baseball, not with your head! He has taught me how to play basketball, not with your eyes closed! He taught me to respect my parents, and to do my homework before I watch TV.

Yes, experience is the best teacher, and he has taught the world everything he knew.

Young smokers, in their stupid nicotine, commit suicide.



Seventh grade winners of the citizenship award, left to right, PHIL GROSS, BOB SCHUELER, CLAIRE KEYTON, and MARGARET BOJUIST.



Eighth grade winners of the citizenship award, left to right, CAROL TUTHILL, CATHY GIBNEY, ALAN RISK, and BRUCE KLINK.



Who is this ninth grade student?

Eighth grader JEAN BOWEN'S baby picture appeared in the last edition of MARION MESSENGER.

Freshmen captures second victory

Steve Tuthill

The Marion Indian freshmen captured their second straight victory Saturday, May 1, at Monticello in the Wamac Conference Meet.

Marion showed a great deal of depth although we had only three individual winners: DAVE CLARK in the shot put, JACK BENNETT in the high jump, and PAUL NELSON in the 100 yd. dash.

Some of Marion's winning 50 points came from a second by the 880 yd. relay team, thirds by the mile relay and the 480 yd. shuttle hurdle relay teams, and a fourth by the 440 yd. relay team.

Other individuals placing in the meet were: STEVE CHANDLER, a second in the broad jump; PAUL NELSON, a fifth in the broad jump, a second in the 220 yd. dash, and a fourth in the hurdles; VINCE GILLMAN, a fourth in the pole vault; and DAVE CLARK, a third in the discus.

Coming and Going

Rick Taylor

New students coming to our school during fourth quarter are CATHERINE MATHENY and SHARON KELLUM, seventh; DONALD MEHSLING, eighth; and CHERYL MATHENY, ninth.

Three students left C. B. Vernon during the last quarter of the year. BEVERLY NELSON moved to Central City. DANNY MERFELD now lives in Cedar Rapids and attends Prairie Jr. High. Davenport is the new home of JUDI ROWLANDS.

To leave or not to leave?

Carol Mobbs

On April 5, the Vernon Junior High teachers attended a conference in Clinton. The guest speaker at this meeting was Chan Thomas.

Mr. Thomas believes he has found the answer to evolution in the "cataclysmic theory." He believes that from every six to eleven thousand years the crust of the earth shifts to cause regeneration in the life cycle. Whether there is any truth to his theory or not has yet to be proven. So stick around to the year 2000. Why? Because this is when the next regeneration will take place, according to the research Thomas and his associates have found. You might ask what is going to take place — supposedly.

For a nice start, the polar ice will shift, causing the west coast to be separated from the continent and New York sinks to the bottom of the ocean. For a final touch, a wall of water two miles high will sweep across the continents, destroying everything in its path (including civilization) save a small triangular stretch of land in Africa. The Russians are presently sending a few of their finest scientists to this land in hopes of survival. So if you have hopes of survival, you can do one of two things, either take the slowboat to Africa and spend the next thirty-five years with Russians who believe everything they hear, or forget it, as I did.

RUSSELL GLASGOW, a ninth grader, was three years old when this picture was taken.

Punishment is the theme

Charles Krizek

"I think maybe you had better write me about a five-page theme on why you ..." Sound familiar? To some it may if you've ever done something you shouldn't in school.

Many teachers are using the theme as a means of punishment for almost all major offenses. I feel that this theme-writing as a means of punishment tends to be reflected in the student's attitude toward creative writing — which all too often is not very good.

Students should and will be punished for breaking school rules, but I'm sure that teachers could and should find some other means of punishment.

Summer plans told in Mrs. Miller's homeroom class

Julie Anderson

WHAT ARE THEY PLANNING TO DO THIS SUMMER?

MARY PETRAK visit my aunt and uncle in New Mexico. JUDY VON SPREECHEN visit my grandparents in Nebraska. CHUCK MURPHY take a trip to the Lake of the Ozarks. MARILYN WINCH see Yellowstone National Park. BILL MONTGOMERY take a trip to California. DIANE SIVER swim and horseback ride at my uncle's horse ranch. JO ELLEN SACORA take a vacation to Chicago. BILL MORDORST go to boys' camp and spend some time at our cabin. NANCY SPEAR loaf at home. JANINE SMABY take a trip to the West Coast. ALAN ODEAN go to California. EDITH WELLS take a vacation trip to Minnesota. DENNIS OLIPHANT vacation in Canada. GREG MORRIS watch TV and eat candy bars. PAM TURNER to visit in Madison, Wisconsin, and see Iowa's capitol. BILL JANNIE take a trip to Illinois. MARK NELS take trips to Chicago and Des Moines. MARTY LANGE see the Great Lakes area. SANDRA SPARENBORG swim and enjoy things around Marion.

Library club adopts its constitution

Kay Wood

At its final meeting of the year, Library Club decided that no changes were needed in its constitution so it was adopted.

Twenty-seven people received silver pins for working in the library for one year, KAY WOOD was awarded a gold pin for three years of work.

Teenagers attend Diamond Jubilee

Teresa Sovo

Teen-agers packed into Armstrong's when the store recently held its Diamond Jubilee. The occasion was marked with clothes, songs, and dances from the Gay Nineties and the Roaring Twenties.

An outstanding feature was the performance of the Charleston by teen-age models.

Also of interest was an old-time dress, worn by Mrs. Armstrong on her first date.

Some of today's fads shown were (and there were plenty of them) the nylon blast jackets, the Mod look in dresses, and ... madras, madras, everywhere ...

Beachwear is perhaps the "faddiest" of all the fads. The cover-up is something to behold. One cover-up had a huge checkerboard on the front and a variety of games on the back.

Cheerleaders for next year named

Donnette Fredricks

Congratulations to the future "1965-66" cheerleaders of C. B. Vernon Junior High.

Eighth grade cheerleading try-outs took place Tuesday, May 11, in the girls gym at 3:40 p.m. The judges were Mr. Hoepfner, Miss Johnson, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Tanner, and Donnette Fredricks. Twelve girls participated in the try-outs and five out of the twelve were chosen. The five chosen were JO ANN BATCH-ELDER, MARY FOWLER, JODY SCHOOP, JUDY CIMON, and JUANITA WADE.

Seventh grade cheerleading try-outs took place Thursday, May 13, in the girls' gym at 3:40 p.m. The judges were Mr. Brainard, Mr. Dicken, Diane Mangold, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Twachtman, and Connie Allen.

Sixteen girls participated in the try-outs and five were chosen: BECKY ARMSTRONG, CLAIRE KEYTON, CONNIE ORCUTT, JACKIE SCHROEDER, and BARBARA TEFER.

Again, Congratulations!

Julie Andrews, new queen of the screen

Sherry Zachmeyer

Who's Hollywood's new queen? Julie Andrews is her name, and he reign appears infinite. Julie, like a princess in some fairy tale, has forced Hollywood to re-evaluate its standards of taste and style in leading ladies. She's bright and communicative and astonishingly forthright. The public has virtually adopted her and her role in *Mary Poppins*.

I would advise one and all to see *Mary Poppins*, a movie different from any you've ever seen or ever will see, and to Julie I will say, "Long live the queen!"

Science club takes trip to Chicago

Eric Schnell

Seventh, eighth, and ninth grade divisions of Science Club made a trip to Chicago on Friday, May 21. The group left at 3:30 a.m. and returned at 11:30 p.m. the same day.

Visits were made at the Aquarium, Planetarium, Science and Industry Building, and Natural History Museum.

Musical Corner

Beth Geiger

On Friday, May 14, the C. B. Vernon Jr. High School band presented a concert for the student body in the boys' gym.

The band played "A Concert Digest" which was designed for the rapidly oncoming space age.

Choruses and newspaper staff held party

Pam Chesley

A combined party was held for Junior Chorus, Honor Chorus and the Newspaper Staff, Monday, May 10, from 3:30 until 5:00, in the gym.

The sixty students who attended entertained themselves by dancing and using the gym equipment.

Refreshments consisted of potato chips, pop, and cupcakes.

Band received its 13 consecutive first

Mary Lee Hahn

With the help of the freshman band students, the high school band received its "13" consecutive first when they attended State Contest, Saturday, May 1, at the Marion High School.

Freshman who played were: Sue Bateman, Louise Kleis, Suzanne Jacque, Dave Messerli, Billi Miller, Ralph Kanan-gietex, Marcia Stookey, Tom Leu, Mary Lee Hahn, Cynthia Martin, Ben Stead, Jim Simpson, Dan Kane, and Christine Vesey.

Mary Lee Hahn received a first at State Contest, and she played her solo at the band banquet.

Freshmen participate in fresh-soph meet

Steve Tuthill

The Marion ninth grade trackmen participated in the fresh-soph Wamac Meet, Tuesday, May 11, and placed forth.

Winners for the Little Indians were STEVE CHANDLER in the broad jump and the mile medley relay team. Runners for the mile medley were GREG TOPP, STEVE CHANDLER, CHRIS SMABY, and ADRIAN VULETIC. Samby and Vuletic are sophomores.

Vuletic also got a second in the mile run.

Other freshmen who placed were JACK BENNETT, a third in the high jump and DAVE CLARK, a third in the shot put and in 440 yd. relay team, a fifth. Participants in the relay were BENNETT, CHANDLER, TOPP, and CLARK.

The two-mile relay legged out a third. Runners for Marion were RUSS GLASGOW, DAN CIHA, GARY DEBOW, and JIM SIMPSON.

Simpson also placed third in the 880 yd. run.

Finally, the 880 yd. relay team of BENNETT, SMABY, CLARK, and CHANDLER grabbed a fourth place.

13th annual Civic Oration contest held on April 30

Suzanne Jacque

The 13th Annual Civic Oration contest, sponsored by Modern Woodman of America, was held Friday, April 30th, in the Lincoln Auditorium.

This year's topic was "The Responsibilities of Young Americans."

Judging this event were Miss Margaret Paul, Mr. Richard Vandenberg, and Mrs. Kenneth Potter.

Margret Boquist was the winner, and Nancy Jacobsen was runner up.

Seventh grade and honor chorus presented concert

On the evening of May 4, Honor Chorus and Seventh Grade Chorus presented an hour of song in the boys' gym for approximately 100 parents and friends.

The program given by Honor Chorus was divided into two groups, paying tribute first to Mom and concluding the concert with songs for Day. "Some Enchanted Evening" and "I know a Lady Sweet and Kind" were sung especially for all Moms present. Dad was remembered with three United States Service Songs, and Irving Berlin's "God Bless America" concluded the program.

Two songs from *Music Man* — "Till There Was You" and "Goodnight, My Someone" — were featured, along with others, by the seventh grade girls.

Between groups DEBRA JACQUE did a tap dance to the tune of "Sweet Georgia Brown."

Industrial arts award given to Alan Moorhead

Mr. Twachtman announced that the first annual Industrial Arts achievement award for eighth grade students has this year gone to ALAN MOORHEAD.

"The Golden Hammer of Merit" was awarded on Tuesday, May 8, in a shop assembly program.

This award is based on citizenship, workmanship, shop ability, ingeniousness, resourcefulness, cooperative attitude, and safely mindedness.

Many boys did extremely well in all phases of Industrial Arts and came very nearly qualifying for the honor.

Mr. Twachtman's comment best summed up this year's competition when he said, "I wish we had 100 golden hammers to present."

Carol Mobbs writes for Flip magazine

Jackie Nohre

Writing fashion and music columns of Liverpool and London for Flip magazine is Carol Mobbs.



Miss Carol Mobbs

"Applying for the job was easy," Carol said. "All I did was send in my name, age, and hobbies, and the next thing I knew, I'd been accepted."

Carol gets paid on a commission basis, so if the publisher likes the material she submits, he publishes it and she gets paid. But, if her material is not published... well, that's that. Carol says her articles won't begin to appear in Flip until this summer.

Flip is a relatively new magazine. It was organized last fall in New York City, where it's published. The editor and publisher, Stephen Kahn, formerly was a feature writer for Teen. Flip is a combination of two magazines — 16 and Teen.

Carol concluded our interview with these words: "The seventh issue of Flip comes out May 11, so everyone can go out and buy it. See you at the newstand!"

New books received for school library

Kay Wood

The library has just received fifteen new perma-bound books which were paid for by fine money collected from students. Most of these books are classical fiction and will provide more difficult reading for the advanced students.

Spring

Al Musser

Spring is here...
Or is it?
It comes so quickly
And leaves so soon

Student take fitness tests to compare skills

Dave Messerli

This semester Mr. Brainard has been running a fitness test to compare the skills of students in Vernon Junior High to kids in other schools. Many skills are tested, such as: the rope climb, pull-ups, sit-ups,

and a number of dashes.

The record holders in each are: rope climb, STEVE KEPER and JOE YIRKOVSKY, time three seconds; pull-ups, JERRY ROBBINS, eleven; little 3, which contains a seal crawl, hopping on one foot, and a shuttle run, JERRY WHORTON, 48.9 seconds; big 3, containing the wheel barrow, inverting wheel barrow, and pony ride, JERRY WHORTON and DAVID BOLSINGER, one

minute and 19.5 seconds; 100 yard dash, DAVID BOLSINGER, 17.3 seconds; 20 shuttles, BILL BELL, 26 seconds; 200 yard dash, KURT LUEDTKE, 38.2 seconds; 50 yard dash, MEYERS, 6.5 seconds; 600 yard run, BILL GRIFFIN, one minute and 40 seconds; one minute sit-up, GREG BORLAND, PHIL BEESON, 58; and bent arm hang, DAVID KIECKSEE, one minute and 26 seconds.

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Marion, Iowa

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English students give projects on newspaper reporting

As her project in newspaper reporting for English class, Becky Rodes reviewed a recently filmed poetry collection by Paul Engle.

On Monday, April 19, the Cedar Rapids Public Library, in cooperation with the Junior League, presented Paul Engle's film "Poetry: The World's Voice."

Mr. Engle, in addition to being an author, is also the director of the creative writing program at the University of Iowa. Students from many foreign countries who are attending his "workshop" at Iowa City contributed poems in their native languages along with the English translations.

I believe that Mr. Engle accomplished his purpose: to change the generally accepted opinion that "Iowa is all corn." But I certainly would like the people who have held this opinion to know that much of the poetry 'went right over my head.'

Next year Mr. Engle plans to take his film around the world for various showings. In spite of its few minor faults, I believe that we owe our thanks to Paul Engle for helping Iowans to gain at least a part of the respect that they deserve.

As their project in newspaper reporting for English class David Hobart and Larry Shepard attended a lecture at Coe College.

TOE-TREADING at COE COLLEGE

The audience waited politely while the speaker poured a glass of water. Suddenly the jug's plastic top bounced off the lectern and rattled to the stage. "Ah-ha!" he cried. "Sabotage already!"

The gentleman was Victor Lasky, journalist and author, who presented a number of political comments at the Coe College auditorium April 14.

A Republican, Mr. Lasky commended the present commander-in-chief on his political and administrative record. Like all good Republicans, he thinks for himself.

On the other hand, he took the popular stand that Robert Kennedy is not one of the 'good guys' in Washington. However, he does have an argument no other critic can use: objecting to a book Mr. Lasky wrote about his brother, Robert Kennedy had Victor Lasky's background investigated!

The book in question, J. F. K. — The Man and the Myth, obliterates the god-like image of the late president quite effectively. Mr. Lasky stated, among other things, that as a president Mr. Kennedy didn't really accomplish a great deal, and that he was rather disillusioned with the job.

In the course of the talk Mr. Lasky also mentioned, for the sake of comparing presidents, that Abraham Lincoln and Woodrow Wilson were not like their benevolent-father-images. Many outspoken people were labeled malcontents under their administrations and some were imprisoned.

Among the ranks of those Mr. Lasky lampooned were pundits like the illustrious Walter Lippman and commoners who voted for President Johnson, crying something to this effect: "Goldwater's too trigger-happy. If he's elected, we'll probably start bombing North Vietnam the next morning!"

Thought Mr. Lasky supported Barry Goldwater, he felt that his campaign was little more than an expensive fiasco.

In some circles the attitude taken toward Mr. Lasky's verbal thrashing of certain politically sacred cows may be termed 'blasphemy,' but those who attended it in Cedar Rapids seemed delighted rather than shocked. Hopefully, The Ugly Russian, Victor Lasky's new book, will be similarly appealing to the 'decadence.'

Marion rates first in track meet

Sammy Begley

Marion's seventh grade was the victor in the Marion Invitational Meet here on April 24. Points were distributed as follows: Marion - 52; Manchester - 34; Prairie - 34; and Monticello - 9.

First places were made by DANNY BALSTER, 220 yd. dash in 26.4 seconds; GREG MORRIS, 120 yd. low hurdles in 16.1 seconds; and the shot-put thrown by GARY ARP a distance of 37.5 feet.

The combined efforts of DANNY BALSTER, RICKY DANFORD, ALAN ODEAN, and GREG MORRIS also gave Marion a first in the 440 yd. relay in a matter of 53.9 seconds.

Track schedule for May listed

May 8 Dubuque Relays (7-8-9)
May 15 Kingston Stadium (9)
May 15 Vinton Invitational (7-8)

Student council plans spring dance

Rick Taylor

At our April 5 Student Council meeting we discussed plans for the spring dance and asked for a longer party. If this is approved, the dance will last from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

We also talked about Wednesday night homework. Some teachers still give the same amount of homework on that day as any other.

It was agreed that the week's announcements should be read at least twice a week.

MARK RINAS was nominated chairman of the Hootenanny. It was decided that we could have a party of this kind if the students would pay to see the performers whom the Council would hire from some place such as Coe College.

Sportsmanship will be remembered

Benny Stead

The game is tense. Both teams are battling for the conference basketball championship. The buzzer sounds, and the winner has been decided. How will the defeated team act? Will the players blame the refs and protest, or will they accept the outcome graciously and give due credit to the victors?

And what about the winners? Will they go around gloating and bragging, or will they sincerely congratulate the losers for a clean hardfought game? This is the real test of an athlete.

Scores matter little as time goes on, but the way you played the game and your sportsmanship will always be remembered.

School has purchased new gym equipment

Dave Messerli

This year the school has purchased two new pieces of gym equipment — a parallel bar and a vaulting buck. Gym classes have started to work on them, and with a little more practice some kids will become very handy with them.

Three Little Kittens

Kay Wood

There were three little kittens so scuddly and soft. Their mother had hidden them high in the loft. She told them to stay there until she came back; Then she slipped out to find them a bit of a snack. She had in mind a fat, juicy mouse And started searching all 'round the house. She sniffed and she poked in each little nook. There wasn't a place that she didn't look. She heard a slight scratching and sat down to wait For some little mousie to come to his fate. He rounded the corner with a bit of a bounce. The cat was upon him with a leap and a pounce. She took her catch back high in the loft... Back to her kittens so cuddly and soft.

Have You Ever Thought?

Erma Riggie

Have you ever thought
What it might be like
To go out some summer night
And fly with your dreams
Like a wind-filled kite?

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Adult science fiction needed in motion pictures

Dave Hobart

I believe science fiction is an important field of endeavor in our culture. The motion pictures — the greatest empathy machine in the history of mankind — however, does not seem to agree. In recent years improved satire and speculative fiction have been filmed, but the ratio of quality is still very one-sided.

The celluloid industry is obsessed with three basic plots: extinguish mankind, release the monsters, or defeat the super-science. Lift that rocket! Tote that ray gun! Slash that gore! Every esthetic fiber in the soul cringes before the wide-screen onslaught of melodrama masquerading as science fiction.

The ideas inherent in these films may be good, but the producer concentrates too much on the entertainment aspects. Furthermore, the director's opinion of the moviegoer seems to be that he's a Mongoloid idiot, and every frame displays his contempt.

It's time for more adult science fiction in motion pictures, combining high entertainment values with a reasonably elevated intellectual level.

There are hundreds of novels that already fit this description — thanks to the intelligence of the editors and publishers in this country — as well as a number of prolific writers. My first choice would be *Gladiator-At-Law* by Frederic Pohl and the late C. M. Kornbluth.

Gladiator-At-Law abounds in entertaining qualities. The protagonist battles to gain control of the biggest corporation in the novel's futuristic American society, fighting a war of wits with assorted deterrents at the same time. The government operates cruel contests in mammoth stadiums for a sadistic population. Duller moments are pepped up with rumbles in the slums and corporate power plays.

Throughout the motion picture, however, satiric harpoons would be thrust at the audience. Festering slums, once urban housing tracts, harbor street gangs of twelve-year-olds. Jobs are held by contract only. Those without contract live in the slums, the employed in comparative luxury. Many slum-dwellers, driven by desperation, enter the technological Roman circuses of the neurotic multitudes. One is forcefully impressed by the evolution of distinct social castes.

William Castle is the only man in Hollywood that I would choose to produce and direct the movie version. He has had experience before in making successful motion pictures and has his own company, but he also has a penchant for the off-beat. Nevertheless, this would be a new kind of venture for him, adding an energetic determination to the production.

The scenario should, of course, be written by Frederic Pohl — the remaining member of the team that wrote that book. I imagine that he will probably put a sharper edge on the satire, I sincerely hope so.

My strongest ideas are in the casting department. The actors must be so convincing that the audience is totally immersed in the characters. They must be talented, of course, not too well-known, and very experienced in playing a variety of roles. I chose all of the actors from Richard Boone's television repertory theater of a few seasons ago.

Warren Stevens should be Charles Mundin, the hero. Mundin is a criminal lawyer — intense, calculating, opportunistic. In struggling for a better place in his society, a ruthless quality emerges from his character. Stevens was in a similar role on Boone's show in "Vote No on No. 11!" which was also concerned with the law and dirty politics.

For the part of Harry Ryan, an ex-corporate lawyer on the skids, I would choose Lloyd Bachner. Ryan is retreating from the gross corruption all about him through drug addiction. This is a marvelous reversal on the role of a fighting district attorney which Mr. Bochner played in "The Arena."

In the movie I would change the character of Norwell Bligh enough that it would fit Richard Boone well. This is a part Mr. Boone has never been in before to my knowledge. Bligh is a squelched little executive who rises from despondency to triumphant success. I think Mr. Boone would tackle it vigorously.

Norma Lavin is a bitter, callous woman trying to regain a corporation rightfully hers. Unfortunately, Bethel Leslie is the only actress who fits the part. She usually gets this sort

of role, but at least she emerges from her shell by the end of the film.

Donald Lavin, Norma's brother, is an imbalanced depressed young bedlamite who introduces the others to intriguing situations. Guy Stockwell is ideal for the part. His mellifluous way of speaking, his multifarious nuances of facial expression make his a natural for the portrayal. It could be the best role next to Mr. Steven's.

I think this sort of motion picture would be an innovation in the movie industry, keeping the audience interested while giving their egos a hot foot.

Self Analysis

I'm five feet three inches tall. I have medium length light brown hair. I have green eyes, but some kids say they are hazel. The outstanding feature of my face is my mouth — and it gets me in trouble. I have many dislikes, and main pain right at the moment is school. I will be over-joyed when summer comes. The thing I like to do the most — and my only hobby — is eating. Some people can hide their weight, but I'm not one of the lucky ones. I am always out for a good time and a few laughs.

CAROL SIXTA

I'm a girl. My eyes are brown. My hair is dark brown and naturally curly. I am five and one-half inches tall. I have a fairly good sense of humor.

JAN ROBBINS

I've got light brown hair, blue eyes, light complexioned skin. I'm five feet tall and weigh 158 pounds. My hair is always neatly parted on the left side. I have four fingers and a thumb on each hand, two feet, two arms, two eyes, two ears, two nostrils, scar on my lip (from an ice skate), two eyebrows, and a bad temper. I am tall, dark and handsome. I'm an honor roll student. I'm very fond of a girl. My chief ambition is to be school teacher. My pet peeve is girls who bite their fingernails. Algebra is my favorite subject and Mr. Younkin my favorite teacher. My favorite sports are girls, football, and golf. I have a good sense of humor and appreciate a good joke.

STEVE CHANDLER

My Fair Lady

Susan Griswold

My fair lady's eyes
Are of brown and gold.
She has a definite beauty . . .
Or so I am told.
She is a lady,
Kind as can be,
For she loves everyone
That she can or can't see.
Her hair is lovely ebony.
She walks as in a fog . . .
Who would guess my lady fair
Could be a half-grown dog?



Dancing at the Eighth Grade Party, held in the boys' gym on April 8, are: (left to right) Debbie Bissell, Vicki Stick, Claude Canady, Brenda Linstrom, Alan Moorhead, and Jerry Detling.

Editorial — What Bridge Will You Cross?

Cindy Marshall

Nature always seems to be working overtime at this time of the year. She sends her raging waters to paralyze cities and endanger lives. To us this may not be a dirent problem. But is the rush of onflowing water the only problem with which Nature "blesses" us this time of year? What about the college "rush"? What about the "rush" for summer employment? Now you're going to ask, "What's this got to do with floods?"

Let us consider a bridge. This one is a tall bridge with heavy stone supports on which it rests. Bridges hold us above water. Now think. Couldn't we use a bridge to represent our future?

Each year thousands of teenagers must make the supreme decision of what to do with their lives. Now you say, 'But I'm only in junior high; I've got plenty of time to worry about things like that.' True, now you do have enough time but are you doing anything about it. Perhaps for you seventh graders it is a bit too early, and your minds are in a complete indecision. But as you advance through the grades, more and more pressure will be exerted upon you to start planning your

future. Ninth grade is, perhaps, one of the first pressure areas, for it is here where students begin their high school planning.

A bridge stands firm and straight as long as its pillars do not give away to the turbulent waters below. Now you must cross a bridge. A bridge on which rests your future life, your hopes, and your desires. You are your future and this bridge can only stand if it has support. To achieve success you must build pillars of desire, of willingness, of confidence, and of great desire to win. Only then will this bridge support you. Are you going to give it this support, or are you going to let it collapse and throw you into the raging waters of hopelessness below? Are you going to be a successful businessman or a high school drop-out? A bum or a future congressman?

Remember ... "Nothing succeeds like success!"

A PENNY IDEA!

If the stores would offer a one-cent return deposit on all cans and bottles, maybe the highways and byways of America could remain free of litter.

Matters of Opinion

Jackie Nohre

Question: Do you think that it's all right for girls to ask boys to parties and dances or to call them by telephone?

VINCE GILLMAN: I don't think a girl should call a boy just to visit with him or to ask him to a party or dance with her. If the girl is having a party and is calling to invite him as a guest, it's OK.

BECKY BORLAND: I think a girl who telephones boys or invites them to parties is over-anxious and is trying to rush the boys too much. A girl should wait for the boy to call.

MR. MILLER: It has been tradition in our society — and a good one — for the man to take the lead in doing the inviting to affairs of this kind. I feel, however, that a party of this nature should never be without proper adult supervision.

JULIE NIELSEN: It all depends if the girl is having the party is going to invite the boy. But if she is just calling him up to talk, it's not right. If she calls a boy up, she is just trying to make the boy like her. The boy will call the girl if he likes her enough.

MRS. MOORE: Generally, NO! In the case of a girls' organization or group sponsoring an event it would be OK.

GARY ARMSTRONG: Yes, I think it's OK because girls are better organized than boys.

LINDA MITHELMAN: If it's a party where the girls are supposed to ask a boy, it's all right to ask him. A girl never should call a boy just to talk. It's up to the boy to make the first call, not the girl.

Future Astronauts

Brenda Bailey

Three
Two
One
Zero
Blast off!!!
Upward and upward we climb
heaven's stairs
As we travel through new unknown
airs.
Our fate within us holds a mystery
Of something that tells us of
untold history.
They say we're of the weaker
sex
And should stay home and
scrub the decks.
But if men can do it, then so
can we...
Even though we're a she instead
of a he.

On Johnny's report card there was a note saying, "Johnny is not contributing." Next day Johnny came to school with a scrawly note which read, "We don't have much money but here's a nickel"



Who is this eighth grade student?

Gregg Morris is the seventh grade student featured last time.

Collections make fascinating hobbies

Cathy Gibney and Julie Andersen

MARK ANDRESON collects hubcaps, animal skulls, and license plates — among other things.

Forty dolls from other lands make up KAREN MULFORD'S collection.

For five years JEAN KRIEGERMEIER has been collecting china and has acquired about thirty pieces.

GARY HUCKER collects stamps.

In three years DENNIS GROAT has collected about 250 rocks.

Approximately twenty-five horses make up BARB GLASS'S collection.

STEVE MILLER makes soap box derby cars.

JO ANNE OZBURN collects rocks from other states.

Shells make up DAVE WARD'S collection.

CAROL NELSON collects post cards.

Coin collecting is ALICE MICHEL'S hobby.

An aquarium with thirty fish is the "collection" of DENNIS OILPHANT.

"If I should win, let it be by the code,
With my pride and my honor held high;
And if I should lose, let me stand by the road
And cheer as the winners pass by."

List various hobbies of C.B. Vernon students

Julie Anderson

DAVE WARD carves airplanes out of wooden boxes.

"Hobby horses" are the real thing for JEAN SUCHSLAND and MARCIA STOOKEY. Not only do they ride, but each owns her own horse.

Those Jacque sisters—DEBRA, seventh, and SUZANNE, ninth — are becoming talented performers. DEBRA has been tap dancing for seven years, and SUZANNE has been twirling a baton for the same length of time. SUZANNE has won nine trophies and two medals.

Take Heed

Jackie Nohre

What if after today
There were no tomorrow.
Would you be gay?
Or would you swell with sorrow?
If for Him you live your life,
Than Heaven is yours for your strife.
But if your life is most unjust,
Then redemption is a must.
So take this heed,
And for your sins have sorrow,
For after today
There may be no tomorrow.

SQUELCHED!

A rather conceited man was invited to dinner by a young lady of his acquaintance, but he did not accept.

A few days later, seeing her on the street, he said in his best manner: "I believe you asked me to dine with you last week."

The lady looked at him thoughtfully and answered: "And did you?"



Miss Sue Kendrick and Chico

Our dog is a character

Sue Kendrick

Who says dogs aren't human? Ours is about as human as they come. When we first got him, he was only five weeks old, and it surely didn't look like we were getting enough meat for the amount of money we paid!

I guess I forgot to introduce you to him. His name is King Chico the Ninth. He's a pedigree chihuahua and even has papers.

Some of the toys he plays with are kind of crazy. For instance, he thinks he's a dentist. I mean, who ever heard of a dog playing with pliers? He thought it was great fun playing with them until he got his tongue caught. Or there's the adhesive tape container. Tape's great for bandaging his tongue. We tried buying him all kinds of toys that dogs usually play with, but he just tore those up.

His favorite programs are the news and "Peyton Place." He loves to sit up in front of the television and watch them, but he just can't figure out the people on "Peyton Place."

People know the days of the week, and so does Chico. For instance, he knows when it's Friday because he always gets fresh hamburger on Friday.

Normal dogs have nice yummy dog food for breakfast, but, as I mentioned before, our dog isn't normal. Chico has to have coffee and cigarettes. Now we know why he's so tiny. Also, his coffee has to be just right: he prefers it cold, and his cigarettes have to have been already smoked or they just don't agree with him.

Did you ever hear of anyone feeding a dog with a spoon? Well just come over to our house, and you'll see it. How else do you feed a dog when he isn't feeling well? Also, his pillows have to be fluffed up now and then when he's sick.

If you hear of a spelling contest for dogs, be sure and tell us because Chico is one of the best dog spellers in the whole world (next to Lassie.) By this I

mean that he knows what we are spelling. Some of the word spelling that he recognizes are 'bye-bye,' 'coat,' 'hamburger,' and some other simple words such as these. All you have to do is spell one of those words, and he goes wild.

If you don't think it takes brains for Chico to know what we're spelling, just listen to this. He knows what's on top of the house! I asked him the other day, and this was his answer, 'Woof!'

He may act ordinary, but he comes from a very 'highly strung' family. His mother and father were both blue ribbon winners. His relatives surely have kooky names. His mother's name is Tammy's Tan Princess, and his father's name is Hytone Texas Kid. His two grandmother's are Lem's Goldie and Howell's Black Tammy. Alford's Poncho Kid and Tiny Teddy Davis are his grandfathers and great grandmothers are Tejcina Texas Kid, Hamley's Comanche Boy, Alford's Surprise Dumpling and Teddy Kee Karo. Did you ever hear of such names?

Were you aware that chihuahuas cry? Well, our does every time he gets scolded or whenever we leave him at home by himself.

I'm afraid that he'll never be a watch dog. Every time that strangers come to our house he just goes crazy. He smears them with kisses, but with his family... well, that's different. Then he'd rather bite than kiss.

His favorite place to sleep is on the heating pad with it turned on low and a wool blanket over the top of him.. If you think that's finicky, listen to this. He won't eat toast unless it has butter and jelly on it, and he won't eat it off the floor. You've got to let him take it from your hand.

Getting up in the morning with the sun shining in your face isn't too bad, but when a dog jumps on your face, scratches your head, and bites your ears, that's just the last straw. Mom calls him her alarm clock for waking up us kids.

Don't think he acts that way all the time. I'm sure he can be a gentleman although I've never seem him doing it. But give him time. After all, he's only nine months old!

Maybe somewhere in this world there are smarter dogs than Chico, but I'm sure that no other dog is cuter or more loved by his family!

Big difference! A teacher was recently telling that she reprimanded a small boy who seemed to be lost in day dreams. "Sammy" she said, "do you have trouble hearing?" "No, ma'am," replied Sammy, "just listening."

One seldom makes the same mistake twice. Generally it's three times or more.

Happenings around C.B. Vernon school

Julie Anderson and
Jean Hovey

BILL DECK had his tonsils out on April 15. He plans to bring them to school.

NANCY GOTT, PATTY BEADLE, DIANE SIVER, and DEBBIE LOCKKWOOD went to Martians Trampoline during the Easter vacation. They were just jumping and having fun when a man from the Marion Sentinel took their picture..

Evidently the food they make in home ec is "good enough to eat." JULIE MARTIN — the human disposal — even eats the garbage!!

MR. TWACHTMANN has turned poetic:

Spring is sprung
The grass is 'ris,
I wonder where
The flowers is! !

JANE DICKEY carries her dirty gym clothes home in a green garbage sack.

Recent casualties among ninth graders number two: JANIS KEMPER has had her arm in a sling because of an inflamed muscle, and one of LOUIS JANNIE'S friends accidentally (?) cut his finger with a knife.

After four weeks of jumping and yelling practices, the sophomore cheerleaders for next year were chosen: CATHY HOGLUND, TINA AUGUSTINE, DONNETTE FREDERICKS, CONNIE ALLEN, and CATHY MEGGERS. Congratulations!

Did you see TINA AUGUSTINE on top of the roof one day. She wasn't planning to jump off — really. Her books just fell off the ledge of the window in the girl's rest room, and she had to get them!

BILLI MILLER was scooping out ice cream at home one night when she heard footsteps on a ladder on the roof. She yelled to her mom who bravely started an investigation. Instead of a prowler she found ... STEVE — BILLI'S brother "Gee, mom, it's only me," he explained.

Some freshmen girls are the proud owners of a prized autograph — RINGO!

BECKY RODES has an unusual pastime — drawing. This may not seem unusual in itself ... but instead of drawing on paper, BECKY draws on her clothes!

Tom: What part of a car resembles a person?

Marilyn: I don't know.

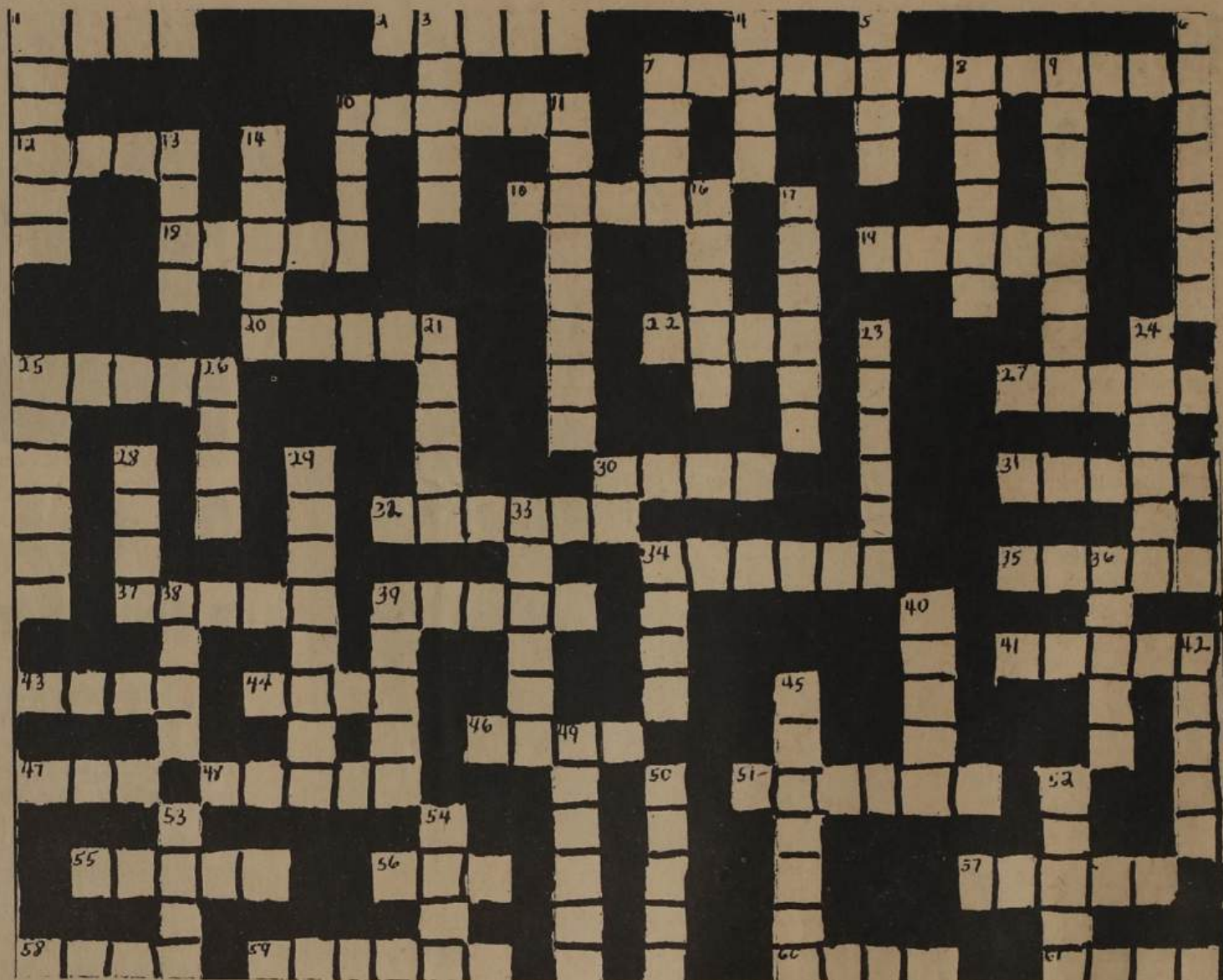
Tom: The wheels because they get tired.

Mr. Gladem: Can you name the capitol of every state?

Judy: Yes, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. K. (hearing a crash): More dishes, Danny?

Danny: No, Mom, fewer dishes.



Crossword Puzzle

The last names of Vernon students have been used to construct this crossword puzzle.

Across
(These are the meanings of the names)

1. Something that binds
2. Speedy
7. A woman's undergarment similar to bloomers
10. A leaping gait of a horse
12. Largest beast in the cat family
15. Highways
18. A fresh-water fish
19. A place or spot
20. Enclosed tracts of land usually having trees and grass
22. Ship plat form
25. To wince
27. Coarse meal
30. A pointed instrument for writing

31. To stay until someone comes
32. Opposite of wrong
34. One who makes clothes
35. Opposite of old
37. A transparent substance used for windows
39. One who bakes
41. Crowds
43. A type of beer
44. Adult male
46. Hollow metal instrument producing sound when struck
47. A cunning animal
48. Short skirts of Scottish Highlanders
51. One who works a flour mill
55. Heavy or bulky
56. Beam of sunlight
57. Monetary value
58. Lumber
59. A dealer in textile fabrics
60. The author of the poem, Octopus

61. Male sovereign
- Down
1. Manservant
3. Springs
4. Exposure to danger
5. To nod
6. One in the enjoyment of liberty
7. A walking stick
8. A person receiving goods in trust
9. One who makes candles
10. Arquied
11. To gain
13. Threads woven into meshed fabric
14. Harvest
16. Tart
17. False shirt front
21. A pointed implement secured to a rider's heel
23. One who makes barrels
24. A small European swallow
25. One who walks
26. To follow or search for

28. A floor covering of fabric
29. Sheriff
30. — — Barnum (initials) circus owner
33. Of grass color
34. The highest degree
36. Pertaining to living in the city
38. Inland body of water
39. Depositories for money
40. A piece of wood, metal ect. that tapers to a thin edge. It is a simple machine
42. The lowest piece in a window frame
45. A mythical animal being half lion and half eagle
49. Small
50. Illuminates or brightens
52. A piece of wood
53. Shallow part of a stream or a river
54. To move by gradually moving through water

Maiden Voyage

Doug Penn

The ship sailed out into the bay.

Its flag waved in the breeze;
It was starting its maiden voyage

On the calm and quiet seas.
But it soon ran into trouble
As the sunny skies grew dark.
The clouds rolled, the thunder roared,

And the lightning hit its mark.
The ship was tossed about like air;

It seemed to be the end.

But then the choppy seas grew calm,
And all was well again.

Teacher: What three words are used most by students?

Student: I don't know.

Teacher: Correct.

14. Crop
16. Sauer
17. Dickey
21. Spurt
23. Cooper
24. Martin
25. Walker
26. Hunt
28. Rugs
29. Marshall
30. P. T.
33. Greene
34. Topp
36. Urban
38. Lake
39. Banks
40. Wedge
42. Sills
45. Griffin
49. Little
50. Gills
52. Stick
53. Ford
54. Wade

Down

46. Bell
47. Fox
48. Kilts
51. Miller
53. Gross
56. Rae
57. Price
58. Wood
59. Mercer
60. Nash
61. King

Across

1. Bond
2. Swift
7. Knickerbocker
10. Gallup
12. Lyon
15. Rhodes
18. Trout
19. Stead
20. Parks
22. Deck
25. Winch
27. Great
30. Penn
31. Waite
32. Wright
34. Taylor
35. Young
37. Glass
39. Baker
41. Mobbs
43. Bock
44. Mann