

The VERNON JUNIOR HIGH MESSENGER

Miss Sloth New Librarian

C.B. Vernon has a new librarian. Her name is Miss Sloth. She was born in Cedar Falls on Oct. 7, 1950. She lived in Dike, Iowa, and went to Dike Community Schools. When she was in high school she worked at the Dike Public Library, so when she went to college she decided to go into library work. Her sister is a librarian, too.

She has never been a librarian before she came here because she just graduated January 27, 1972 from UNI in Cedar Falls. She came to Marion because she liked the size of the town. She did her student teaching at a junior high school and liked that level a lot.

Her family consists of her mother, step-father, older sister and brother-in-law, and an older stepsister. Her sister and brother-in-law both teach at Charles City. Her stepsister teaches at Clinton.

Miss Sloth said, "My pastimes are reading, of course, and cooking."



Miss Sloth and Mrs. Zoerink

Soloist Earn First Places

Thirty-four soloists and ten small groups participated in the instrumental solo and ensemble contests Saturday, February 19, at Monticello. The bus left at 7:30. Students played from 8:50 to 10.

Small groups which were entered included three flute trios, two clarinet quartets, three cornet quartets, one French horn trio and an oboe duet. Mr. Wright, Mr. Shearer, and Mr. Schultz accompanied the students.

Seventh grade blue ribbon winners were: cornet solos--Alan Buwalda, Diane Jellison and Edith Maxey; clarinet solo--Patti Weber; tuba solo--Craig Schultz; trombone solo--Bart Taylor; French horn solo--Steve Hatcher; alto saxophone solo--Jerry Goehring. Red Ribbon winners include: cornet solo--Jeff Donald, Bob McDougall; bassoon solo--Valerie Grishaber; clarinet solo--Elizabeth Maxey; flute solo--Beth Edwards, Janette Brake. Wendy Sumner won a white ribbon with her flute solo.

Eighth grade blue ribbon winners were: cornet solo--Leslie Andersen, Scott Larson, John Arjes; oboe solo--Karen Williamson; clarinet solo--Cheri Joice; alto saxophone solo--Barb Hemmingsen, Jim Hradek; flute solo--Jeri Brekke, Julie DeWoody, Chris Horner, Sue Ryan; French horn solo--Pat Swearingen; trombone solo--Sheryl Wallace. Red ribbon winners include: cornet solo--Bruce Hucker; clarinet solo--Julie Schultz; tenor saxophone solo--Lynette Tanner; flute solo--Rhonda Hartman, Lauri Netz, Wendy Wolmutt.

Ensemble winners of blue ribbons were: cornet quartet--Jeff Donald, Bob McDougall, Diane Jellison, Edith Maxey; cornet quartet--Leslie Andersen, Bruce Hucker, Scott Larson, Brad Cihra; clarinet quartet--Patti Weber, Louise White, Elizabeth Maxey, Jeanne Koutny; clarinet quartet--Julie Tietjen, Cheri Joice, Julie Schultz, Tierney Oakley; flute trio--Beth Edwards, Janette Brake, Wendy Sumner; flute trio--Jeri Brekke, Rhonda Hartman, Julie DeWoody; flute trio--Chris Horner, Sue Ryan, Wendy Wolmutt. Red ribbon winners were: French horn trio--Pat Swearingen, Laurie Johnson, Steve Hatcher; oboe duet--Karen Williamson, Natalie Jackson; saxophone quartet--Barb Hemmingsen, Anna Ackley, Lynette Tanner, Denise Ransier.

Tom Parman, Terri Larsen, Rhonda Salven, Lyn Schlotterback, Steve Clabough, Dan Cornwell and Steve Herred.

Noon art is held during second noon on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays.

OIL PAINTING FOR NOON ART

This is the third quarter and noon art changed its subject back to oil painting. The people taking this course are Jim Hinton, Doug Downey, Julie Schultz,

Calendar of Events

Feb. 24--Eighth grade BB, Manchester (H), 4 p.m.
Feb. 26--C-D squad basketball with Linn-Mar-seventh grade there-eighth grade here.
March 2--Seventh grade BB, Linn-Mar (h) 4 p.m.
March 3--Assembly program, 2:15 p.m.
March 6--Eighth grade science club meeting

March 7--Student council meeting
March 9--Library club meeting
March 10--Athletic club meeting
March 18--Seventh grade science club meeting
March 16--Dramatics club meeting
March 18--Girls gymnastics at Tipton
March 23--Band concert, 7:30 p.m.
End of third quarter
March 24--NO SCHOOL-staff in-service day.

Legal Aspect On Drug Abuse

On Jan. 28, Vernon Junior High was visited by Cedar Rapids and Marion area lawyers who came to talk to the student body in an assembly. The men were Ron Luehrsmann, Pete Fay and Jim Powers.

They talked about the legal aspect of drug abuse. They also gave the punishments for drug offenses.

On February 4, Dr. Bennett of Marion spoke to the students about the medical effects of drugs. After both assemblies students asked a number of pertinent questions.



Lawyers answer student questions about drugs. Left to right, Mr. Luehrsmann, Mr. Fay and Mr. Powers.

We Asked... They Answered...

We Asked, "Who do you want to be your Valentine?"

They Answered:
Julie Schultz--Rich LeHew
Kris Schone--Mark Bush
Patti Tharp--Everyone (and Pete Maravich)
Lesta Moyer--Brian Madeson
Cathy Brown--Mike Spain
George Moody--No one
Doug Schuster--Anybody who is my type.

We Asked, "How do you celebrate April Eray?" They Answered:

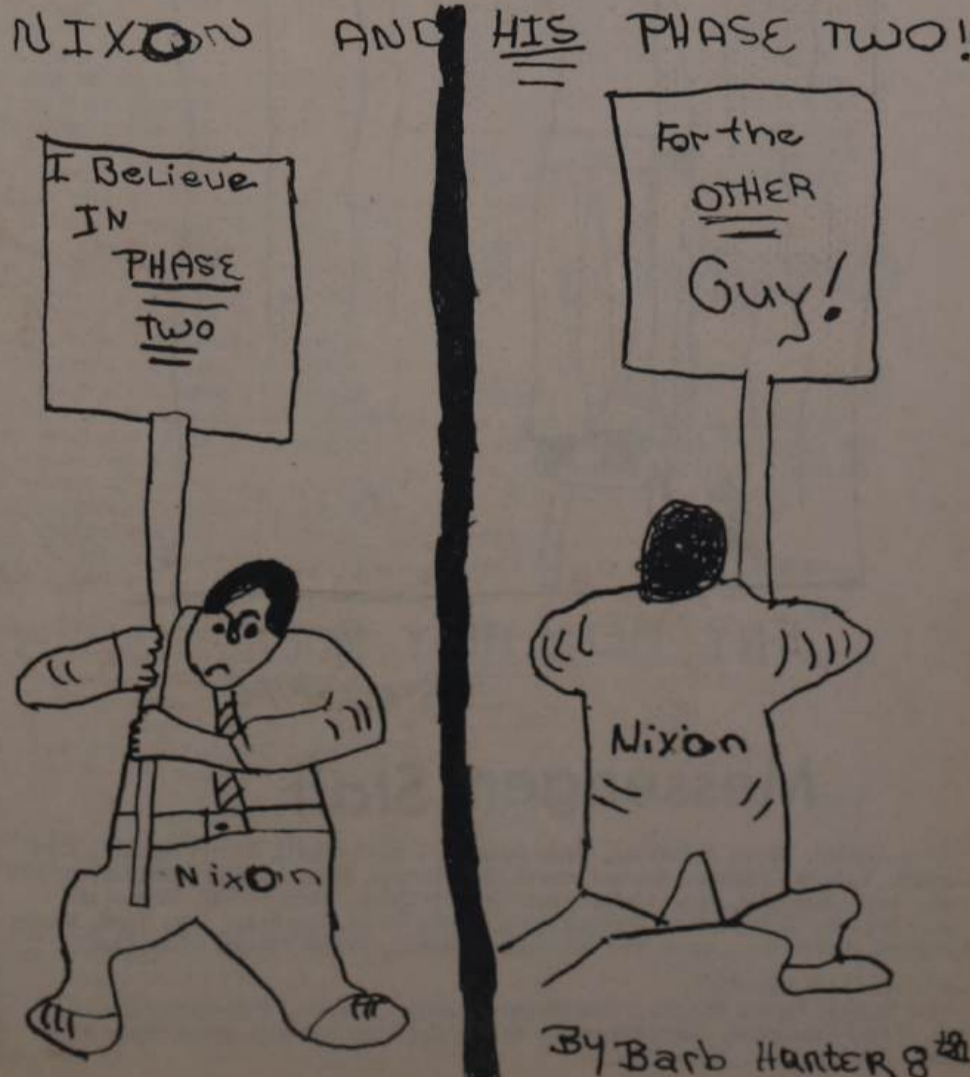
Pat Lynch--with ice cream on top
Mrs. Simpson--Go out and eat.
Mr. Fowler--Stay home in bed and sleep.
Mike Spain--With a girl.
Julie Schultz--with a boy.
Debby Armstrong--Go out and eat a pizza
APEL ERAY is really Leap Year scrambled.

We asked, "If you could have been a president, who would you want to be and why?"

They answered:
Kathy Allen--George Washington, because I hate cherries and he chopped down the cherry tree.
Penny Arnold--John Kennedy, because his last name started with a "k" and "k"



8th SCIENCE--Dennis Greene, Larry Eckstein, Kevin Lurth, Kelly Mulford, Dave Faur, Dave Bond.



By Barb Hunter 8th

Girls Gymnastics

Eighty-seven girls are out for gymnastics. The seventh and eighth graders practice on alternate nights. They are working out on the balance beam, uneven parallel bars, horse, trampoline and are doing tumbling. There will be a competition on March 14 to decide who goes to Tipton to the Wamac gymnastic clinic on Saturday, March 18.

Science Essay By Dave Witte

You know what? I was just born. It's crowded around here. The other cells say there are 5,000 to 10,000 of us in a cubic millimeter.

I'm a gron-klocytes white cell. I was born in the bone marrow. We are policemen of the body. When bacteria come into my buddy's body, my friends and I go into the tissue. We kill and then devour the invaders. We try to stop the invader before they infect the tissue.

All my friends went on vacation and left me on guard. Before I knew it, the bacteria had surrounded me! I was as good as gone. One of them shot me with a gun, and then they devoured me.

Written by David Witte for 7th grade science

Valentine Dance

The Valentine Dance was held Friday, February 11, from 3:30 to 5:15. We chose a variety of records instead of a band, and afterwards we voted to see if we would rather have records or a band for the next dance. It was an overwhelming majority with the records winning. We had a very good turn-out with about 250 students attending the dance. The gym was decorated very attractively with many cupids and hearts. Afterwards we were served valentine cookies and punch.

Library Club

At the last Science club meeting, the members discussed their next project. They will be doing individual projects, on any topic they choose. The projects will be displayed at the spring open house.

Science Club

The Library Club has around 50 members now. However, some of the people are getting dropped because if they missed three meetings unexcused they get dropped.

With the money the Library Club has collected they are planning to take a bus to the book bindery and then go on a picnic afterwards.



8th GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM



7th GRADE B SQUAD BASKETBALL



7th GRADE A SQUAD BASKETBALL

BOYS BASKETBALL

On February 3 the seventh grade A squad defeated Monticello 32-24 here. The game was even throughout until the last few minutes when the Indians pulled ahead. Scoring was even with David Witte leading with 9 points, Bob Lane with 7, Kevin McKenna with 6, and Kevin Lamphier with 5.

The eighth graders traveled to Monticello on the 3rd. In the A game Marion won by a score of 40-29. John Murdoch and Tony Jensen led the Indians with 8 points apiece, while Brian Bennett and Jeff Stolze followed with 7 and 6 respectively. The Monticello cagers won the B game 30-19. Mike Spain was high point man with 8.

Our first C-D squad basketball game was played with Linn-Mar on February 5. The first game was won by Marion and the second was won by Linn-Mar.

Anamosa should have packed their bags because they were never in the running as they lost to Marion's eighth graders 66-52 on February 8. The Indians took the lead in the first quarter and never lost it. The whistle never seemed to stop blowing as 52 fouls were charged to both teams. Five men fouled out, 4 from Marion and 1 from Anamosa. The Indians shot 61% at the charity line while Anamosa shot 28% from the line. Leading Marion in the scoring department was John Murdoch with 23; next were Brian Bennett with 9, Mark Bush with 8, Jeff Stolze and Brian Kiburz with 7.

The C and D squads played Linn-Mar again on February 12. They split the two games with Marion winning the C squad game by a score of 37-31 and Linn-Mar taking the D squad game by a score of 42-27.

On February 10 the eighth graders were very successful against Manchester. The B team played to a win by beating Manchester 29-19. The A team also won by a score of 43-39.

On the 10th the seventh grade A squad beat Manchester in a close one, 31-30. The seventh grade B squad won by a score of 24-18.

The Marion eighth grade A squad suffered its second defeat of the season to Tipton on February 15 by a score of 51-33. The Indians hung in there in the first half trailing by only 5 points, but in the second half Tipton blew Marion off the court, outscoring them 29-16. Mitch Travis led Marion's scoring with 11 points. Other Mar-

ion scorers were Tony Jensen, John Murdoch, Jeff Stolze and Brad Ciha and Mark Bush.

The seventh grade A squad pulled off a 44-36 win over Tipton on February 15. The Indians held only a one-point margin at the half but hung on to win it. Kevin McKenna led the Indian scoring attack with 12 points, followed closely by Bob Lane's 11. Coach Taylor cited Lamphier, Techau, and McKenna for controlling the boards and the entire team for shooting a fine 71% from the free throw line. The B squad mopped up Tipton 47-15. Larry Klein led the scoring attack with 13 points and Jim Roth had 12.

AROUND SCHOOL

The Student Council appointed Dave Nash to the extra-curricular committee.

If seventh graders have appeared a bit "Buggy" lately, there's good reason, for they have just completed their research papers on insects. This is a combined science-language arts project.

The eighth grade girls have started a new unit in home ec entitled "You and Your Bedroom". This unit involves certain projects and lectures. One of the main projects is cleaning your bedroom closet. Most of the girls will get this finished, but there are some---

In social studies the seventh graders are in the Revolutionary War period and the eighth graders are in the time of imperialism.

8th Graders Prepare for 9th

C.B. Vernon's eighth graders are getting ready for the coming year of 9th grade. Mr. Steadman and Mrs. Walker talked to them about high school. The students and their parents are having private conferences with Mr. Steadman to talk about the coming years of high school. In high school you must have at least 16 credits to graduate. You must take 4 years of English, 2 years of math, 3 years social studies and 2 years of science. If you go to college, you must take 4 years of English, 3 years math, 3 years of social studies, and 3 years science, and also 2 years of foreign language.



Seventh grade basketball action



"ENY, MENY, MINY, MOE"
Steve Jeffed

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Anna Ackley, Debby Armstrong, Brian Bennett, Dan Cornwell, Sheryl Feddern, Kyle Gaddie, Valerie Grishaber, Steve Herreid, Barb Hunter, Dana Jeffrey, Terri Larsen, Jim Loes, Terry Maginnis, Janet McCalmant, Terry Milburn, Dixie Miller, Dave Nash, Sandy Nielsen, Tom Parman, Paula Payton, Kathy Rutan, Sue Ryan, Jerry Scott, Randy Sheppard, Jeff Stolze, Kevin Techau, Diane Thomas, Linnie Vinson, Mike Yaus.

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