

The Messenger

C.B. Vernon Junior High



NEW TEACHERS, MRS. CARLSON & MRS. STAEHLE.

Interview With Mrs. Hoppes

By Pat J. Grady

Mrs. Hoppes was born in Coggon, Iowa, and grew up in Prairieburg, Iowa, on a country farm. She graduated from the University of Northern Iowa with a degree in music and an organ major. She is married and her husband is a student at Iowa State University getting his master's degree in vocational education. They have no children.

Mrs. Hoppes' favorite cars are Ford LTD's and Lincoln Continentals. Her favorite food is baked potatoes with their skins and lots of butter. Her favorite color is green and she was born under horoscope

sign Sagittarius.

Her favorite TV programs are "The Six Million-Dollar Man" and "The Waltons". Her favorite movie characters are John Wayne, Clint Eastwood and Robert Redford.

Her hobbies are horses, reading, playing the piano and organ, photography, and dancing. She owns three registered quarter horses.

During the school year 1973-74, she and her husband lived in England sixty miles north of London.

During this school year Mrs. Hoppes will be teaching vocal music at C.B. Vernon Junior High.

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By Shawn Johnson

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MRS. HOPPES, THE NEW MUSIC TEACHER, AT PIANO.

Mr. Fowler Comments On Vernon Const.

By Jeff Frasher

On October 8, this reporter interviewed Mr. Fowler on the construction of the school.

BIRTHDAYS

By Peggy Hopson, Connie West, and Gwen Phillips
SEPTEMBER:

- 1, Wayne Huebener, Lonnie Knapp
- 8, Cheryl Harms
- 9, Doris Meyer, Laura Cram
- 11, Kurt Sheaffer, Dan Huertter
- 13, Tesha Dabling, Kelly Mishler
- 14, LuAnn Spinler, Debbie McIntosh
- 16, Jerry Howe
- 19, John Stuelke, Lisa Stuelke
- 22, Terri Frazier
- 24, Penny Willard
- 25, Tim Taylor
- 27, Dale West
- 28, Lori Busse

OCTOBER:

- 2, Sandy Watson
- 4, Dawn Theilen
- 5, Pat Grady, Kathy Wilson
- 7, Monica Buenzow, Lisa Techau
- 8, Craig Canavan
- 10, Kari Kemp, Therese Sharp, Steve Tranmer
- 11, Lori Painter
- 13, Kelly Babcock
- 14, Regina Barth
- 15, Gwen Phillips
- 16, Chris Cox
- 18, Brenda Neve
- 19, Jim Watkins
- 23, Scott Jared, Scott Sumner, Jeff Griffin
- 25, Cathy Van Gorp
- 26, Cindy Gorman
- 27, Pam Oltmann, Penny Oltman
- 28, Jeff Frasher
- 30, Scott Chapman

Dramatics Club

By Craig Evans

On Sept. 25, the Dramatics club had its first meeting. Members nominated candidates and then voted. Results were president, JoAnne Thomas; executive board member, Sara Bice; vice-president, Lori Painter; board member, Pat Grady; secretary, Leslie Zimmerman; board member, Melissa Gates; treasurer, Linda Freilinger; board member, Lynette Anderson; newspaper representative, Craig Evans; board member, Annette Hughes. The next meeting is scheduled for October 23.

Q. When should the school be finished?

A. We hope October 20 when we return to full days.

Q. Will the whole building be finished October 20?

A. All of it except the gym, the art room, and the vocal music room.

Q. What delayed construction in the first place?

A. Rocks were found under the new gym so the construction company had to bring in heavy equipment to dig them out; this took an extra month.

Q. Will all the rooms be remodeled?

A. No, just 8 rooms will be and there will be 14 new areas.

Q. Will certain classes be on certain floors?

A. Yes, science will be on the 3rd floor, math on the north side of first and second floors, and social studies and language will be in the new areas.

Q. Will anything be done with the outside of the building?

A. All that will be done is done.

Student Interview

By Mike Galligan

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH A "DAT-MONITREQUEC"?

Pat Grady: Shove it up Mike Galligan's nose!

Kim Frederiksen: I don't know.

Annette Hughes: Eat it!

Vaughn Klopfenstein: Flush it down the toilet!

Julie Larsen: Put it in my pocket.

Therese Sharp: Set it up in my bedroom.

Mr. Gaede: Draw a picture of it and hang it up.

Todd Parman: Put it in a sack!

Morrie Fleming: Flush it down the toilet.

John Seng: Sit on it!!

Mr. Eygabroad: Give it for extra credit!

Cindy Hames: I don't know.

Vicki Hemmingsen: Throw it in the garbage can!!!

John Crowley: Give it to Linda Freilinger.

Mr. Miller: Cash it in!!

Linda Freilinger: Bum it!!!

Charles Resewehr: Give it to Julie Larsen.

Mrs. Raasch: Give it to my friend, Mr. Gaede!

"DATMONITREQUEC" unscrambled is mid-quarter notice!!!

By Regina Barth

Many students think that since our school is not quite done yet, they don't have to take pride in this wonderful school. But it is just the opposite! You should take just as good care of it now as when it is finished.

Don't look at the present but to the future. How many schools do you know of that have lockers the school colors? Or have skylights in their library? And almost all new restrooms and locker rooms? Can you answer any of these questions? I don't think so. So that pride in C. B. Vernon Junior High is just good old Indian spirit.

By John Warner

Half days? I thought that half days would be fun, but now I kind of miss all day. Everybody's probably thinking, "Has this kid gone mad?" The answer is no. I was looking forward to industrial arts, and playing in our new gym. So as for me I can't wait till our new school is finished and we go full days.

By Dawn Druecker

I am a student at C. B. Vernon Junior High. We have a brand-new addition at our school, and the old parts are being remodeled. Still, after having all these things done for us, I hear students putting down our school. Students don't realize that we're very fortunate to have good teachers, a plentiful supply of materials, and a new building. I guess what I'm trying to say is that the students should be proud of our school and respect it. I think our school is a great school, and I am very proud of it.

School Extends Thanks

Vernon Jr. High's administrator, staff, and students owe a great debt of thanks to the First United Methodist Church of Marion. The church made its educational facilities available to the school through October 21. The entire 7th grade was housed in the church.

The church also made its classrooms available last school year.

For these acts of helpfulness, we at the Jr. High are grateful.

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Letters To The Editor

By Vicky Heeren

I go to C. B. Vernon Junior High School, and I am very proud of it. A lot of people hate going to school because they think it is a place of torture, but I think it's a place to learn.

Vernon is being remodeled right now and maybe it is a little boring, but after it is done, it will be a lot better school. The workmen are trying to get it done as fast as they can.

When it does get done, we should take care of it and not go around writing on the walls and on the desks. I'm very proud of the teachers for teaching us and also putting up with the students during the year.

I hope other people are just as proud of their school as I am, and I hope they will treat it as a school and not as a goof-off place.

A Poem

By Steve Tranmer

BILLY YANK

Their suits of blue, their guns slung high,

Their boots a murky black.

A marching boy named Billy Yank, Who never would come back.

The nights were short, the days were long,

His gun like a whip would crack.

But Billy Yank, a Northern boy,

Who never would come back.

The battles were fierce like a lion at war,

Who seemed to blow his stack.

But the soldiers would shake in the shadow of fear,

Till they raised their guns to attack!

So the North did prevail in the Old Civil War,

And the Monitor defeated the Merrimac.

But dead on the battlefield is old Billy Yank,

A boy who would never come back.

It is surprising how often you see the prettiest girl you ever saw.



MR. MEGGERS' 8TH GRADE FOOTBALL TEAM.



MR. BRAINARD'S 7TH GRADE "A" TEAM.

7th And 8th Graders Conclude Another Successful Season

7th Marion-Manch.

The Marion-Manchester game played on Sept. 16 was Marion's 7th "A" team's first outing, and it proved to be a very successful game. Marion led by a wide margin even at halftime.

Tom Benkusky scored two of Marion's touchdowns. Vaughn Klopfenstein was just as impressive, also scoring twice.

The final score was 50-6, a good start for the Little Indians.

7th Marion-Monti.

By Vaughn Klopfenstein

On September 23, Vernon Junior High's 7th grade football team trampled Monticello, 32-0. That was the second win in a row for the Little Indians.

Offensively the team scored four touchdowns. Jessie Shannon scored a 20 yard run. He also led all carries with 63 yards on 3 carries.

Others scoring were Dave Supple on a 4-yard run, Tom Benkusky on a 15-yard scamper, and Mike McAreavy on a one-yard plunge. Extra points were made by McAreavy, Benkusky and Supple. There also was a safety scored by Mark Evans.

Defensively the Little Indians did a good job over all. Charles Resewehr and John Crowley led all tacklers.

7th B game-Spring.

By Scott Ford

On September 25, Stuart Farmers started the 7th Springfield "A"---Marion "B" game by kicking off for the Indians. Springfield got the ball in fairly good position.

In the first quarter the game see-sawed back and forth until Springfield scored on a long quarterback sweep. They failed to score the extra point.

In the second quarter Mr. Dolinaj's first squad got the ball on about their own 40 yard line. Slowly but powerfully they moved the ball downfield. They ran slants, stingers, and pass plays. But with the ball on the one-foot line, time ran out.

The third quarter was an exact repeat of the first, with Springfield scoring on a long run. In the fourth, the Indians started yet another drive, but it failed, the score ending Springfield 12---Indians 0.

8th B game-Spring.

By Karl Johnston

Marion's 8th "B" team lost on Sept. 25 to Springfield's "A" team. In the first quarter Springfield scored a touchdown. Two plays later they scored again. Springfield was playing a defense that Marion did not know how to play against. At half time the coach told the team how to play against their method.

In the second half Marion went out and scored a touchdown, with John Gagliardi going over. Then Springfield scored twice again. The final score was 30 to 8.

8th Marion-Anamosa

By John Huber

The Marion 8th grade "A" squad traveled to Anamosa Sept. 30, and came back with a convincing 32-12 victory.

Dennis Burns tallied two touchdowns on sweeps of 23 and 12 yards. Later Tony Perkins ran into a touchdown from 3 yards out. Moments later John Warner intercepted an Anamosa pass and ran it back 19 yards for a T.D. Later on Tony Perkins hit Mark Lembke on a 10-yard pass play for a touchdown. Lembke caught Perkin's pass for a conversion. Coach Meggers said the entire team put out an excellent performance.

7th Marion-Anamosa

By John Crowley

On September 30, the 7th grade "A" squad pulled out its third win, over Anamosa, 14-12. Tom Benkusky scampered two yards for the winning touchdown. The touchdown came with :46 second left in the game.

Dave Supple ran 10 yards for the first touchdown and three yards for the conversion.

Tom Benkusky led in rushing with 85 yards. Dave Supple had 60 yards and Vaughn Klopfenstein had 20 yards. Kent Mahurin rushed for 10 yards and Mike McAreavy rushed for 7 yards. Vaughn Klopfenstein, Dave Supple, and Tim Touro each had four tackles.

8th B game-Vinton

By Kari Kemp

On Oct. 1, Marion's 8th grade "B" squad beat Vinton with a score of 22-0. Curtis Osborn, John Gagliardi, and John Huber each made 1 touchdown. Pat Freilinger ran for 2 extra points. Jim Parker passed to Dave Murray for 2 extra points.

8th Marion-Prairie

By Ken Waters

On Tuesday, Oct. 7, Marion started off slowly against Prairie when that team made the first touchdown but did not make its extra point.

Marion next received the ball at the 37-yard line and drove it down to the five-yard line where David Ray took it in. The attempt on the extra point was missed. The score at the end of the first quarter was 6-6.

The only points scored in the second quarter was a safety caused by Marion's Roger Woodsmall and Brian Touro. Marion at halftime led 8-6.

The third and fourth quarters belonged all to Marion. Tony Perkins passed 5 yards to Mark Lembke for a touchdown. Extra points were good through a pass from Perkins to Lembke.

In the fourth quarter Robbie Bolyard ran 20 yards for a touchdown and then ran in for the extra points. The final score was 24-6.

8th Marion-L-M

By Wayne Huebener

Marion's 8th "A" football team lost its first game to Linn-Mar on Oct. 14. The score was 26-20. This loss ended the season with 4 wins and 1 loss.

The scoring went like this: Mark Lembke scored on a 25-yard pass from Dennis Burns. Next Tony Perkins threw a 14-yard pass to Lembke. Then Robbie Bolyard scored on a 30-yard aerial from Perkins. Perkins also threw a 2-point conversion to Lembke.

Coach Meggers commented, "It was like two games, Linn-Mar won the first half, Marion won the second." He also added, "I was proud of the way we didn't give up after the first half. We didn't just lie down!"

Marion's "B" squad lost 12-0.

7th B-Manch.

By Lisa Morehouse

On October 2, Manchester beat Marion "B" squad by one touchdown, 6-0. Manchester fielded a lot bigger team.

Marion faced a few penalties and gained first downs, which were made by Scott Ford, Mark Butler, and Lance Long.

When Coach Dolinaj was asked, "If Marion should play Manchester again, could Marion win?" he said, ever so confidently, "Oh, definitely."

The team is now 0-2, but Mr. Dolinaj predicted that October 9 would be Mar-

ion's first win.

7th Marion-Prairie

By Cindy Gorman

On October 7, the Marion 7th grade "A" squad played Prairie. The score was 8-8, which put Marion at three wins and one tie. Vaughn Klopfenstein made the touchdown for Marion. He is the quarterback along with Tom Benkusky. There were no pass interceptions and no injuries.

7th B game-L-M

By Jim McGarrahan

The "B" reserve football squads of Marion and Linn-Mar met on October 13, with Marion winning 6-0. Marion's only score came early in the first quarter when Mark Butler ran 42 yards.

Rich Panek and Jeff Johnson of Mr. Cahalan's squad, and Tim Kelly and Butler of Mr. Dolinaj's squad, were four top players for the clash. Panek, a left wingback, had 5 yards and 1 tackle, Johnson, a fullback, had 21 yards and 1 tackle, Kelly, a quarterback, had 1 tackle and 17 yards, while Butler, a right wingback had 42 yards and 1 tackle. Coach Cahalan singled out Bruce DeBow for some game-saving tackles, and Joel Brokaw and Kevin Thomas for filling in very well for the absent center and quarterback. The squad came about 4 yards from scoring another touchdown, but there was a mix-up on the play and Linn-Mar recovered a fumble.

8th Marion-Manch.

By Ray Hefel

September 16 was the beginning of the football season for the 8th grade. Dennis Burns made a 20-yard run. Following a punt, Burns caught the ball and ran for a touchdown, a 70-yard run followed by a blocking penalty.

Then Manchester got a touchdown. Marion made another TD, so they put in their second team. That team got a safety with 10 seconds left. The final score was Marion 29---Manchester 6. Tom Panek was sidelined with a leg injury suffered in practice.

8th Marion-Monti

By Alan Gruwell

The Marion Indians 8th grade "A" team defeated the Monticello Panthers 42-18 on Sept. 23. Marion scored early on runs by Dave Rae and Dennis Burns. Roger Woodsmall recovered a fumble which set up a 45-yard run by Burns. Mark Lembke then blocked a punt and ran 45 yards for another score.

Rae ran 35 yards twice for scores. Kenny Adams recovered a fumble and Burns ran 10 yards for another score. Dave Edwards blocked a punt before the half.

Later Scott Chapman recovered a fumble, and Burns caught a pass from John Warner for a 45-yard score.



MR. CAHALAN'S & MR. DOLINAJ'S SQUADS.



SCIENCE STUDENTS PLOTTING THE SUN.

What Happened With Vernon Girls' Softball Team This Fall

What has been happening in girls' softball? Plenty! Seventy-three Jr. High girls reported to Mrs. Moore for the softball season. Mrs. Moore divided these girls into eight teams, and an intramural program of games was begun.

All girls played in 12 intramural games. Following these games, "All-Stars" were selected by three different ballots and

were given an opportunity to play in an interscholastic contest with Springfield.

The contest with Springfield was played on October 8, and the results were positive. Marion topped Springfield 14 to 9. Julie Harriman and Mychelle Kos tallied home runs. Kathy Winch, Michele McAreavy, Harriman, and Roxanne Jackson each hit doubles. Other hits

were made by McAreavy, Shawn Johnson, Carolyn Rehder, and Lori Leytem. Twenty-one girls saw some action. Mrs. Moore thought that the Marion girls played well, especially the members of the first team. She felt that while Marion was doing well in both hitting and fielding, Springfield was not up to par.

The "All-Stars", which included 12

8th graders and nine 7th graders, comprised the following girls: Kathy Winch, Michele McAreavy, Julie Harriman, Roxanne Jackson, Mychelle Kos, Susan Barker, Dawn Theilen, Shawn Johnson, Cindy Wheeler, Lori Leytem, Laurie Sueppel, Kari Kemp, Pam and Penny Oltmann, Tammy Fuller, Debbie Harris, Mary Bright, Carolyn Rehder, Jean Bems, and Linda Freilinger.



MEET THE GIRLS' SOFTBALL SQUAD.

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