

The Messenger

C.B. Vernon Junior High

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THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM--BAND.

Big Crowd Watched First Vocal/Band Christmas Concert

By Chris Potter

On Monday, December 6, Vernon Jr. High held its first vocal/band concert.

The band (which played after the vocal) began its performance with "Ringmaster." Other pieces that followed were "Cordasco," "Vaudeville Favorites," "Navy Hymn" (Eternal Father, Strong to Save), "The Christmas Parade" including "Parade of the Tin

Soldiers," "Toyland," and "Up on the Housetop." Next came "I'll be Home for Christmas," "Here Comes Santa Claus," "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer," and last, but not least, "White Christmas."

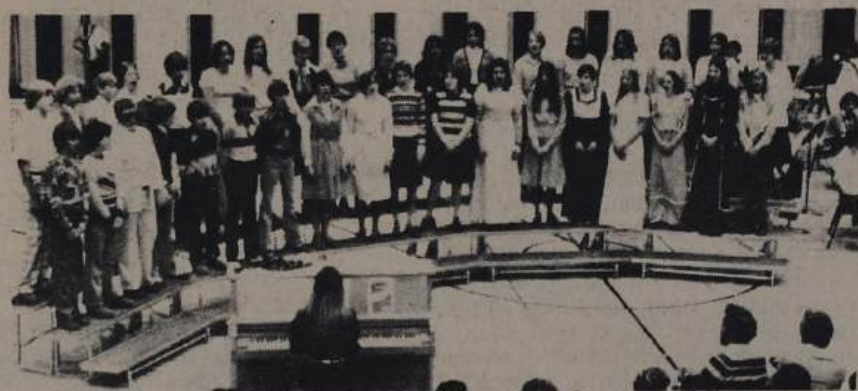
Mr. Shultz said he was very pleased with the way the band sounded. He also said he was happy that such a big crowd showed up. Let's hope our spring concert is just as good.



THE BOYS' CHORUS.



THE GIRLS' CHORUS.



8TH GRADE MIXED GROUP.

OPINION... OPINION... OPINION... OPINION...

Editorial...

By Pat Grady, editor

(In response to high school editorial on football games.)

On the topic of taming down kids at the high school football games, there seems to be no immediate solution to me. I agree, football games are a spectator sport, not a social gathering. Many people seem to think that the in-thing is to go to a football game and see all your friends. And I admit, I have been guilty of this at one time or another. However, why must a loyal fan sit and try to hear and see over a bunch of rowdy, yelling, giggling kids.

The editorial suggested a separate section of bleachers designated for younger people. I think that this idea sounds easy, but to try and put it into affect, and to force younger people to sit in that section, is altogether another story. To me, I guess if you're loyal enough, you'll be willing to take what you can get.

Editorial...

By Linda Folkers, Associate Editor

Recently the First National Bank sponsored an education trip to Washington, D.C. Several students from both the Marion and Linn-Mar districts went.

They toured Washington, D.C., for two days, visiting the White House, the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, and literally running around the Smithsonian Institution buildings.

I had the honor of going on this, and I enjoyed myself immensely. On behalf of the student here at the Jr. High, I would like to thank the Bank, and the people there who set up this trip for us. We appreciate what you made available for us.

Editorial...

By Therese Tharp, Associate Editor

As I observe the four minutes passing

8th Graders Celebrate

Dec., Jan. Birthdays

By Jeff Bradley

Some 8th grade December birthdays include these: 7th-Tammy Tranner and Jim McGarrahan; 8th-Dave Harris; and 12th, Ken Mahurin.

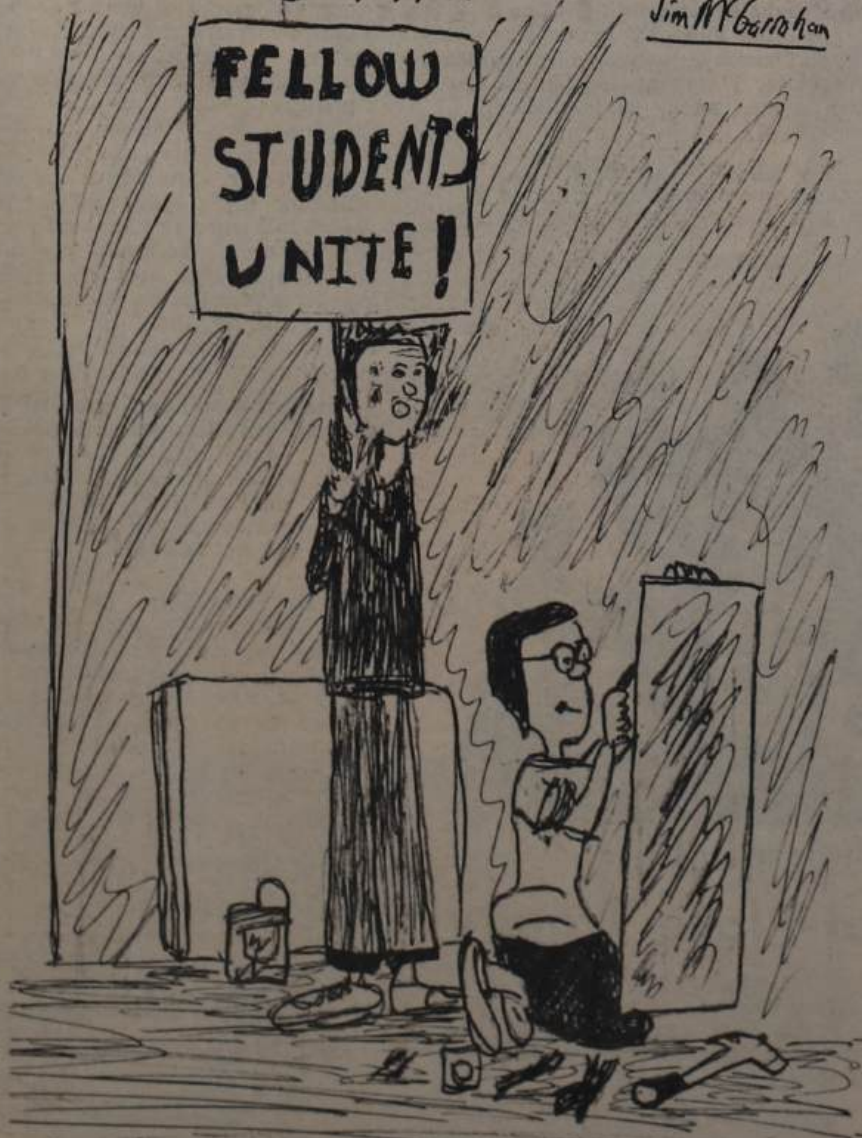
8th Grade January birthdays include these: 1st-Mike Galligan; 24th--Tim DeWees; and the 27th--Todd Parman.

time between classes, I see more violence than on some T.V. shows. Most of the smashing into walls, punching, pushing, and cursing is among boys. All the big, burly ones seem to be running over the little ones. Why they do it, who knows? Maybe they think they are cool stuff; maybe they're mad at each other, maybe over a friend; maybe they don't have any-

thing else to do so they start a fight.

This usually does not serve anything because the result is usually detention (could be suspension.) Before they throw the first punch, maybe they had better stop and think of why they are doing this, and the result of it. Maybe it will change their minds.

CLUTZEVILLE COMIX



I forget, Are we uniting for something or against something?

Room 133 Enjoys Cake, Ice Cream For 2nd Finish

By Robin Ridenour

In the annual magazine sale campaign Room 133 was second in total sales. Mr. Miller was surprised and pleased with 133's effort, and he was disappointed that it came in second. So to show his thanks for the students' effort, he decided one day late in November that those students in Room 133 who sold one or more magazines could come in and eat cake and ice cream after lunch. The sixteen people present seemed to enjoy the party very much.

We Asked, They Answered...

I Asked, "What is your favorite drink?"

By Cindy Gorman

Mr. Gaede--Strawberry Kool-Aid

James Nolz--Root beer

Linda Folkers--Ice-cold Pepsi

Lien Cao--Grape juice

Kevin Thomas--Dr. Pepper

Mrs. Raasch--Pepsi, but only with popcorn!!!

Sue Chapman--Tea

Brenda Neve--Milk

Mary Bright--Orange Crush

Miss Ebersole--Orange juice

Kelly Mishler--Mr. Pibb

Mrs. Wood--Diet 7-Up

My Nguyen--Coke

Lisa Morehouse--Dr. Pepper

Tammy Fuller--Root beer

Dave Supple--Orange juice

Cheryl Harms--R.C.

Pam Oltmanns--Root beer

Ken Mahurin--Dr. Pepper

Mr. Dolinaj--Orange Julius

Carroll Bogard--Minute Maid Orange Juice.

DID YOU KNOW???

By Pat Grady

... That Homeroom 110 (Mr. Schley's) won both boys' and girls' intramural softball trophies?

... That Mrs. Carlson and Miss Engelbarts took piano lessons from the same teacher when they were in Junior High?

... That Polly Factor won the Golden Glove award for girls' softball?

... That Mr. Eggabroad was in on the capture of a kidnapper in Jacksonville, North Carolina, last August? That he and a friend trapped a criminal and the police arrested the man and charged him with breaking and entering, larceny, and assault with a deadly weapon?

... That Pam Roberts has her green belt in Karate and is working toward her blue, brown, and black belts?



Pam and Cindy at Work.

Vernon Wrestling Wrap-Up

By Vaughn Klopfenstein

Vernon's wrestlers defeated Vinton in the Junior High gym 24-18 on November 22. Vinton's wrestling team only brought 9 wrestlers and C.B. Vernon's "King Pin" award went to Vaughn Klopfenstein who pinned his man in 9.5 seconds. Other wrestlers receiving falls were Kevin Thomas, 1:29 and Mark Johnston, 1:36. Wrestlers winning by decision were Karl Raue, 7-0 and Louis Kucera, 8-4.

By Carroll Bogard

The wrestling meet with Prairie December 2 wasn't a good one for the Little Indians, with Prairie winning, 86-41. The "King Pin" award went to Vaughn Klopfenstein, who pinned his man in 21 seconds. Other pins went to Jerry Howe and Kent Mahurin.

Wrestlers who won by decision were Greg Hoffa, 15-2; Bruce DeBow, 6-0; Kevin Thomas, 5-0; Ross Kent, 4-0 and John McDougall, 7-5.

People who tied were Lindsey Butterfield, Lonnie Jones, and Curt Hall.

Vernon Jr. High To Have Yearbook For This Year

By Julie Larsen

This year the Jr. High will have a yearbook. Mrs. Staehle will be in charge of it. The 7th grade staff members will be Kris Turner, Heidi Helgens, Chris Potter, Janice Miller, and Becky Barth.

The 8th grade staff members will be Kim Zier, Vaughn Klopfenstein, Chris Pribyl, Lisa Nove, Cindy Hames, Keith Miller, Morrie Fleming, Kent Mahurin, Todd Roehr, Mike Galligan, Therese Tharp, Ed Godar, Mary Bright, Carroll Bogard, and Jim McGarrahan.

The book will consist of 28 pages. It will have individual pictures of every student at Vernon, some sports pictures, and some of clubs, activities, and faculty.

There will be a sales campaign starting in March. The yearbooks will cost \$3.00 each.



CHESS CHAMPS -- Way to go, guys!!

Vernon Gets Second-Place Trophy

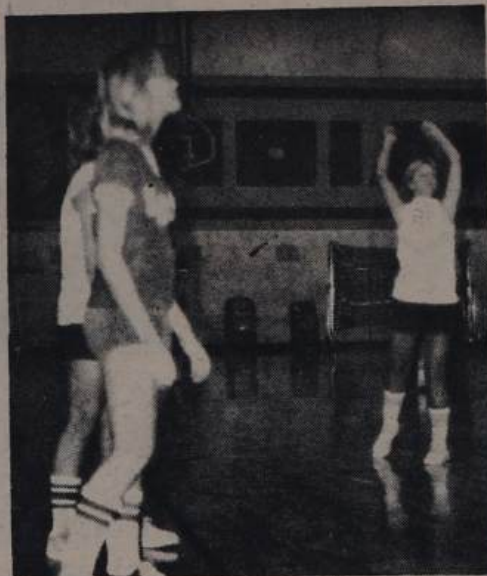
By Mike Horstman (with assistance of Mr. Margretz)

There has been a recent chess boom at Vernon. Many are playing. You can find people playing just about any place, in halls, on steps, etc. Recently there was a chess tournament held at Harding Jr. High.

Some of our players were there. They received a second-place trophy. This tournament was attended by Jerry Nibeck, Lindsey Butterfield, Jim McGarrahan, Doug Peyton, Kim Frasher, Jes-

sie Shanon, Greg Hoffa, Scott Ford, Kevin Thomas, and Brendan Michalek. Some seventh graders who went were Mike Stickney, Curt Arnold, and Jerry Parker.

Jerry Nibeck tied for first place, but was awarded a second place on a judge's decision. Next came Doug Peyton, with a fifth place, followed by Greg Hoffa with sixth. Finally came Lindsey Butterfield in eleventh. All of these people will receive ribbons. Congratulations!



The Glory of Victory -- 8th Girls' Basketball.



TAMMY TAKES A SHOT.

Girls' Basketball Roundup....

GIRLS' BASKETBALL ROUNDUP SEVENTH GRADE

With Monticello, November 23

"A" --Marion 35, Monti 29 (Busse 7, Grishaber 14, Webber 10)
"B" --Marion 21, Monti 16 (Stevens 10, Anderson 4, Miller 4)
"C" --Monti 20, Marion 12 (McGovern 6)

With Linn-Mar, November 30

"A" --Marion 33, Linn-Mar 24 (Busse 15, Grishaber 6, Webber 4, Factor 8)
"B" --Linn-Mar 21, Marion 18 (Stevens, 8, Anderson 4, Madren 4)

"C" --Marion 10, Linn-Mar 8

EIGHTH GRADE

With Monti, November 23

"A" --Marion 31, Monti 23 (Pedersen 8, Fuller 10, Berns 5, Oltmanns 4)
With Linn-Mar, November 30
"A" --Linn-Mar 20, Marion 10 (Berns 6, Fuller 4)
"B" --Linn-Mar 24, Marion 13 (Klein 6, Painter 6)
With Monti, December 7
"A" --Marion 34, Monti 17 (Oltmanns 8, Fuller 10, Berns 6)
"B" --Marion 29, Monti 27 (Neal 8, Burns 4)

By Jane Trimble

In the 7th grade girls' basketball game with Springville, on November 16, Marion "B" squad played Springville's 7th grade girls. Springville won 19-12. In the second game, Marion "A" squad played Springville's 8th grade girls. Springville won again 25-22.

On November 7, the 7th grade girls played Monticello here. In the "C" game Marion won, 6-4, Monti took the "B" game 15-13. They won the "A" game, 32-29.

Student Interview

By Therese Tharp

What would you do with a "Rtaschmhsi ogns"? I asked.
Shelly Smith-Flush it
Cheryl Nightingale-Send it by air mail to some foreign country
Carolyn Rehder-Eat it
Kim Zier-Saw it in half
Linda Folkers-Throw it out
Tammy Tranmer-Sing it in chorus
Val Watson-Use it every night to curl my hair
Julie Larsen-Give it to my boyfriend to put in his car
Jamae Tritle-Give it to Larry
Janette Seeks-Give it to Jamae (Christmas Song)

We asked. . . They Answered
By Kim Larson

The traditional Thanksgiving has passed, so I thought it would be interesting to see how the C.B. Vernon Junior High faculty and students spent their Thanksgiving holiday. I did some personal interviews, and here are some replies.

Mr. Miller flew out to Washington, D. C., over the holiday.

Mrs. Hoppes went to some relatives for Thanksgiving, and then she moved her horses to a farm and rode them all day.

Mr. Parks went to his folks and to his wife's parents for dinner. He watched two football games and part of a basketball game. Then he worked on his house.

Ruth Hall went shopping and to the Monticello freshman game.

Pam Akers went to her aunt's, where she had turkey and ham.

Laurie McGill ate turkey and had fun.

Amy Larson went bowling with her cousins, ate lots of food, and had fun.

Pam Peterson says she got into trouble on Thanksgiving. She ate a lot of turkey. On Saturday she went over to a friend's house and went uptown.

On Sunday she watched Disney and the comics.

Roger Gruwell ate and did things at home.

Mark Miller and Dean Chapman had no comment.

Ken Fortner did not do much over the holiday.

Chris Wilson had a friend stay overnight, and they played records, ate, and ate.

Tammy Johnston stayed with her grandmother Clark, helped her with Thanksgiving dinner, and also worked on her crushed-rock picture.

Lori Offerman went to her uncle's and had a big feast.

Butch Longerbeam ate a lot of food, played football, and watched football on TV at his grandmother's.

Elaine Stotler went over to some friends' house and had Thanksgiving with them.

Linda Parsons says she went to her grandmother's house and had a feast fit for seven people.

Most people's activities over Thanksgiving would seem to be eating and being with friends and relatives.)

were Mike Lembke, Louis Kucera, Kevin Thomas, Paul Ward, Lindsey Butterfield, Joel Brokaw, and Ross Kent.

Wrestlers winning by decision were Keith Christensen, Roger Gruwell, Steve Butz, Jeff Busse, Bruce DeBow, Ed Godar, Doug Peyton, Greg Hoffa, and Jim McGarrahan.

Vernon's wrestlers won at Tipton, November 4, 90-70. Out of 36 matches the fastest fall came in 22 seconds, done by Mark Johnson, which gave him the "King Pin" award. Other wrestlers winning by pins were Max Factor, Kevin Kruger, Jack Carpenter, Ross Kent, Kevin Thomas, Dave Long, Jerry Nibeck, and Keith Christensen.

Wrestlers winning by decision were Bruce DeBow, Jeff Christensen, Butch Longerbeam, Greg Hoffa, Todd Turner, Scott Ford, Louis Kucera, Scott Reid, Ken Mahurin, and Paul Ward. Wrestlers tying their opponents were Jim Maage, Steve Butz, and Bret Ramsdell.

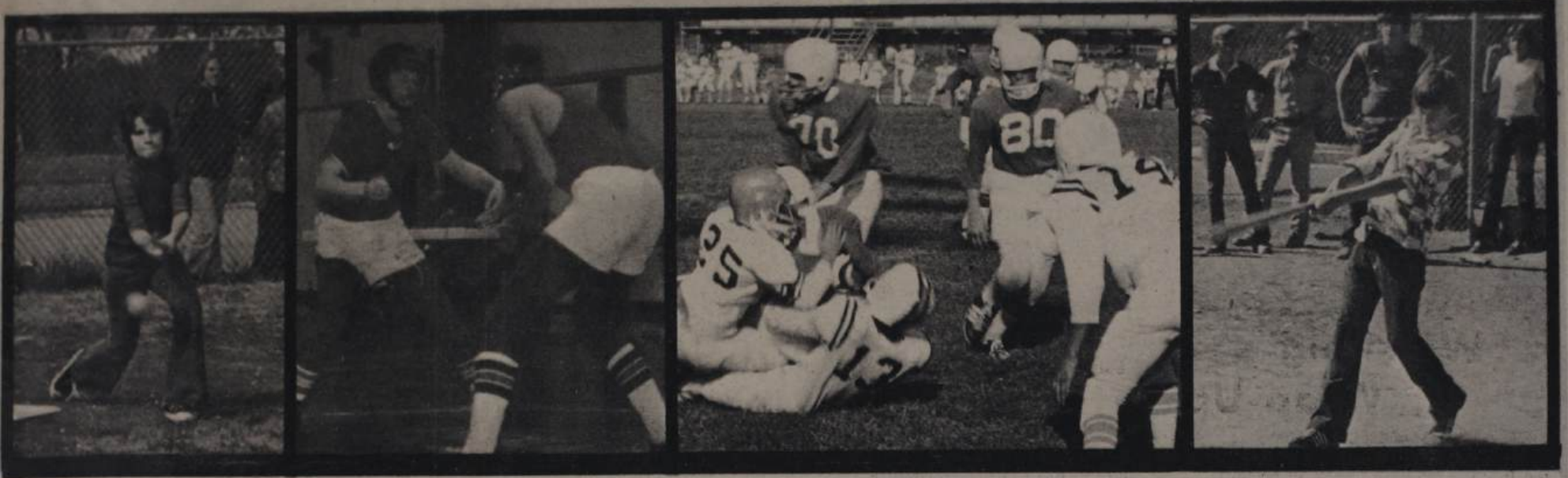
By Kim Fredericksen

On Thursday, November 18, the Little Indians beat the Monticello Panthers 55-52 in a wrestling meet. The "King Pin" award went to Jerry Nibeck, who pinned his man in 35 seconds. Other pins were by Greg Hoffa, :54; Vaughn Klopfenstein, 1:35; Curt Hall, 2:37; Paul Ward, 1:27; and Jerry Howe, 1:27. Winning by decision were Larry Temple, 8-0; Ed Godar, 4-0; Kevin Thomas, 5-2; John McDougall, 4-2; and Jack Carpenter, 5-4. Kevin Krueger, 4-4 and David Long, 0-0 both had ties.

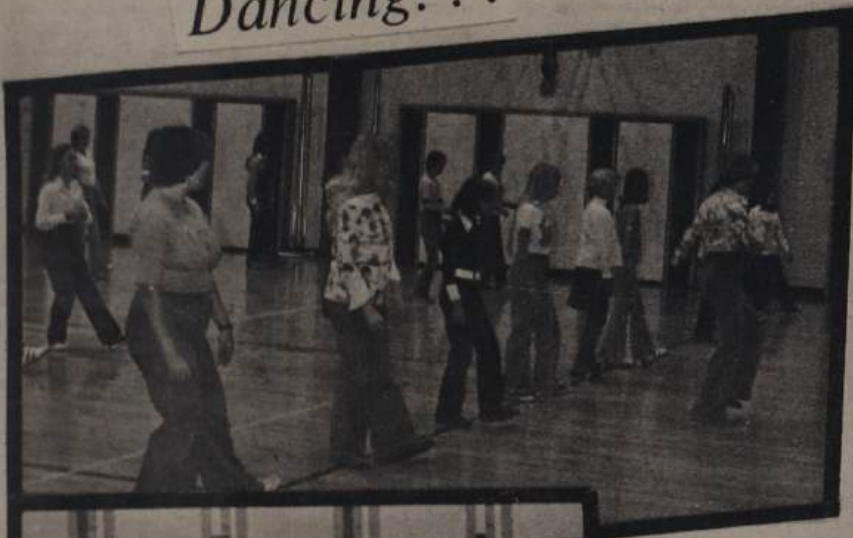


Cook spaghetti in salted water with a little vegetable oil. The oil glazes it and prevents sticking. It also prevents the water from boiling over.

THERE'S A LOT GOING ON AT VERNON JR. HIGH!



Dancing...



Sports...

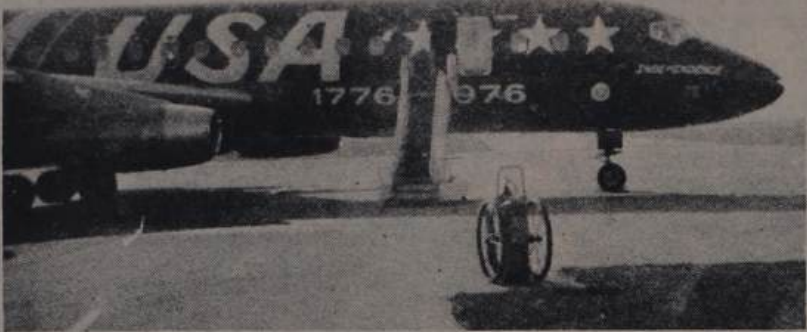


*& Even a Visit
from Spiderman*



*Class
Champs*





TRANSPORTATION TO D.C. WOW!!



THE GROUP OFF TO D.C.

A Lot To See and Do. . . !

Trip To Nation's Capitol Was Exciting

By Stuart Farmer

The First National Bank of Marion gave the students in Marion a chance to see their country's capital. It sponsored the trip. The trip was originally set for November 2, but it was delayed because of the Presidential elections. It was then set for the date of November 11.

Students were all excited about this trip. They even packed their clothes and other

personal items a day ahead of time. But teachers like Mrs. Dunn packed their stuff that morning.

Most students arrived at the Cedar Rapids airport and were ready to go by 7:30, but the plane wasn't. It was announced that the plane would be a couple of hours late.

When the students heard this, there was a big sigh. They didn't like this very much, but they found something to oc-

cupy their time. Some watched the planes land and take off, others watched TV, or went to the snack bar.

While students were waiting for the plane, officials had them get their luggage checked in. Officials also kept them up-to-date with the location of the plane that they were waiting for. When it landed, there was a big cheer and everybody got with their sponsors. (Mrs. Dunn and Mr. Meggers represented our Junior High.) There was about a 20-minute wait, and the plane took off at 10:15. An hour-and-thirty-minute trip followed. The captain of the plane kept informing the students about things he saw and how high the plane was. "The flight was a pleasant one, but still exciting," said Richard Longerbeam.

The students were given snacks on the plane. After landing, they waited in the Dulles Airport mall. Then they headed for the buses. Some took pictures of the taxis and squad cars. Others photographed the buildings nearby.

Gold Line buses then began to pick up the students. The buses were comfortable. They came with bathrooms, but

better yet, they came with a box lunch for each person.

It was a while before members could even see the city of Washington, D.C. The bus driver told them that the road they were on was the one that George Washington took going home each day.

The first tour was through the Arlington National Cemetery, where students saw the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Eternal Flame at the JFK gravesite. A few people saw the Lee Mansion. The second stop was a visit to the Capitol Building. They saw many other exciting monuments and buildings that first day. Among those were the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, and the Two Jima Memorial.

The second day seemed even more exciting. Members saw the White House inside and out. They next saw the JFK Center of the Performing Arts. After that, they had lunch at the Smithsonian Institution and viewed the Museum of Natural History and the Museum of History and Technology. There were three-and-one-half hours to tour this place and the Washington Monument. All the excitement shortened the viewing time, and before long, it was time to leave.

The flight back home was in the dark, and we were able to see farms, towns, and even highways. The plane landed at 10:25, and most people were out of the airport and going home by 10:45.

A special thanks should be given to the First National Bank for making this trip possible. Also thanks to the Airport. The bus driver, James L. Braddock, the pilots and stewardesses (Juanita, Valani, Amie, Cindy, Pat, Dave, Herbie and Al) also helped make this a great trip.



STEWARDESSES & PILOT ON D.C. TRIP.

7TH GRADERS TO CELEBRATE BIRTHS

By Robin Ridenour

Seventh graders born in December include Kris Turner, 14; Donna Waltha 20; Lori Hucker, 20; David Cook, 23; Lisa Hauser, 25; Chris Potter, 28; and Terri Reddick, 28. Jean Burns, an eighth grader, was born on December 29.

January birthdays for seventh graders include Doug Palmer, 4; Frank Reynolds, 5; Cathy Weber, 8; Chris Beam, 11; Mike Lembke, 20; Judy and Julie Borseth, 22; Darla Robinson, 25; Doreen French, 26; Debbie Anderson, 28; and Tammy Johnston, 29.

Wendy Stuelke (December 29) and Hope Warren (January 20) also wanted their birthdays included.



A BUS DRIVER -- D.C. TRIP.

We Asked. . . They Answered

By Kim Zier

"What are your plans for the future?" I asked several people.

Tammy Tranmer--Go to college and become a nurse

Leslie Holm--A gymnastics teacher

Mike McAreavy--Pro-basketball player

Kim Wilson--Get through high school

Vaughn Klopfenstein--An attorney

Jill Helbig--A horse trainer

Monica Travis--Finish school and go to Ames

Charlie Peterzalek--Go to college and get a degree in mechanics

Mrs. Carlson--Invest in a business possibly, and teach here for a few more years

Todd Harman--A veterinarian

Cathy Weber--All-star basketball player

Karen Regal--Go to college and study drama

Krista Wilson--Finish school and be a basketball player

Mike Stickney--An Olympic star

Judy Luse--Marry Mr. America

Mrs. Staehle--Teach here for a few more years

Linda Freilinger--Marry a rich hunk

Mrs. Wood--Retire on an acreage and raise purebred Arabian horses

Pat Grady--A policeman

Kim Klein--Go to college and become a psychologist

Mike Galligan--A computer technician

Gail Hallock--To be wealthy

Linda Folkers--A child psychologist

I asked, "What is 'Souicodilaipxectisiligarfilacrepus'?"

By Karen Stotler

Mr. Margretz--Swine flu

Patricia Staton--Something to eat

Karen Lathrop--Something to wear

Jim McGarrahan--Something a Com-

munist would use in the bathroom

Dale Milota--Throw it away

Jessie Shannon--"Supercalifragelistic-expialidocious" backwards

Mrs. Read--A Russian telegram

Carolyn Rehder--Something good to eat

Connie Pedersen--A Spanish word

Mrs. Borg--Thanksgiving turkey and all the trimmings

Deanna Longerbeam--Something to eat

Lanna Lighty--Bad name

Madonna Cerney--Something you throw

David Long--Mrs. Staehle's middle name

Mrs. Staehle--My third hour class

Sandra Hawkins--A good thing to throw at someone

Michele McDougal--A mixed-up sentence

Mr. Fowler--No comment

Mr. Dolinaj--Something you would eat at a French restaurant

Sharon Miller--Someone who committed suicide

David Supple--Part of Mr. Dolinaj's beard

Mr. Meggers--Something that fits in the trunk of your car

Mrs. Raasch--Something I'd like to get from Santa Claus

Mrs. Wood--Something I'd break in half and feed to David Long and David Supple

Bridget Shoemaker--Throw it in the garbage can.

Mr. Steadman--A new foreign car

Mrs. Jacobs--Looks like Greek to me

Mrs. Grimm--Something good to eat

Mr. Vaske--Fatal Disease

Mrs. Carlson--Words meaning "You're allergic to math!"



AT LONG LAST. . . THE CAPITOL!

By Jim McGarrahan

"What would you do with a HTERCAT-NSIPESRSM?" was a question asked of several Vernon people. Here are some responses:

Mr. Dolinaj: Dribble down court and dunk it in the basket

Mark Johnson: Wrestle it

Mark Berg: Give it to Mr. Schley to eat

Barry Arnold: Shoot craps with it.

Mr. Meggers: Put it in a doghouse

Ken Mahurin: Kiss it

Lindsey Butterfield: Eat it

Vaughn Klopfenstein: Flush it down the toilet

Mr. Tesar: Wear it to a football game

Pat Grady: Shove it down Matt Miller's throat

Mrs. Carlson: Hem it like a dress

Kevin Thomas: Invite it to a party

Mr. Steadman: Give it a warm fuzzy

Dale Milota: Keep it

Sandy Watson: Slam it in my locker door

Paul Ward: Shoot it

The words are "CHRISTMAS PRESENT."

LIBRARY CLUB HELD MEETING

By Kim Zier

The third Library Club meeting was held December 9, after school in the Media Center.

The meeting was brought to order at 3:20 by the president. Attendance was taken, and business was discussed.

Some of the members stayed after the meeting and helped decorate the Media Center for the holiday season.