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Editorial

HOW TEACHERS MIGHT PUNISH PUPILS

The teacher leaves the room for just a moment. When she returns, she hears a lot of noise and confusion. Her pupils have not all behaved as they should. Should she punish some? Who? How is she to find out who did cause the commotion?

So many times these questions are not answered, but the whole class is given a long lecture and is made to suffer in some way while only a few caused the affair. This causes hard feeling among the pupils toward the teacher and should be avoided.

In my opinion, the teacher should answer these questions and then punish those who are deserving of punishment.

When the teacher returns and finds her class into mischief, instead of going into a lecture like, "Just the minute my back is turned—can't I trust you? The idea of big children like you—you should be in the first grade—you come here to learn something, not to play all the time—the way some of you act you should be home in your crib playing with your rattle—etc", she should hold a trial, right then in her classroom, she being the judge, jury, the defense attorney, and school attorney; each pupil would be a defendant and the rest of the class witnesses.

In this way pupils will confess, so that other pupils will not have to tell on their fellow classmates. If one doesn't confess, the whole class will go against him, and he will thus be found guilty. But don't worry; the latter isn't very probable, for not one out of a hundred will tell a lie to cover up his mischief.

Thus the teacher, with all the confessions, can decide on a verdict for each one. The bad ones get to do extra work, stay after school, get their grades lowered, etc. The good ones go free. And so—no hard feelings will be created, for each pupil will get just what he deserves.

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Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving dinner, a symphony, a rainbow, a masterpiece, and a stomach ache! It is such a feast beloved by all America—and adored by me. I know that I will spend a drowsy afternoon and a sleepless night if I appease my appetite, yet appease I do—appease I

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY NEWS

The technical crews for the Junior class play, "Happy-Go-Lucky," which will be presented December 10 and 11, have been named by Miss Faris. Carleton Oxley is chairman of the building and painting crew, with Don Tow, Basil Zier, Wayne Jenkins and Wilson Boozie on the committee. Lucille Cone, chairman, Phyllis Freeman, Frances Smith and Genevieve Oakley comprise the costume group. Joan McAnn heads the make-up crew, assisted by Vivian Haak, Eunice Mershon and Lillian Harlan.

The stage properties committee consists of Harriette French, chairman, Mary Ellen Ford and Bob Maxson. Pauline Taylor and Jean Leidigh have charge of hand properties. Jacqueline Clay and Anna Marie Sullivan are ushers, and Robert Newlin is in charge of advertising. Additions to these committees will probably be made in the near future. The play cast was announced in last week's VOX.

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must. I fully intend to go to the table next Thursday and munch a few stalks of celery. I know that when I hear the summons to the table, my intentions will crumble like the walls of Jericho. I will indulge in the first round of tender golden brown turkey, quivering cranberry jelly, savory dressing, and fluffy mashed potatoes. I quiet my conscience with the thought that I only get a chance like this once a year. When I get to the fourth round, I will make no attempt to justify my fierce attack on the food. I'll simply carry the food to my mouth and remain blissfully unaware of the fact that my new dress is on slim princess lines, and simply will not fasten if I gain a pound or two. When I finally lean back in my chair, it is with sweet, but brief, feeling of well being. My only comfort as I sin against my digestive apparatus is that I am not the only sinner.

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### LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Green autograph book, Wednesday, in auditorium. Betty Bruanek.

LOST—Orange Schaeffer pen. Martha Snell.

## All-High Dance Last Friday

The high school dance, sponsored by Mr. Pugh's industrious history class, was held Friday night, Nov. 20, in the high school gym. A fair-sized crowd attended, but not as large as some previous dances. Gaylord Ward, Don Bragg, and Bob Maxson served us the music for the evening. This was the last time that these three boys will play together; Don is going to California to join the navy. The three boys got hot on a dance march which started some of the gayer ones to start dancing and skipping around the floor.

I wonder where Bob Oakley, Ray Wells and Don Benedict learned to dance those fancy steps. About tired out the poor girls to keep up with them.

All in all—a success.

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## No VOX To Be Published Next Week

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Thursday and Friday of this week, as you all know, will be a vacation. This vacation, therefore, leaves only three days of this week for the VOX staff to get next week's paper out. Because of this lack of time, and the fact that three days will probably not make enough school news to fill the paper, VOX will not come out next Monday, but will appear as usual the following Monday.

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W.H.O. Barn Dance Show Given Tuesday In Auditorium

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The WHO Barn Dance Frolic roadshow made a personal appearance on the stage of the Lincoln school auditorium Tuesday, presenting three complete shows. The local show was sponsored as a benefit for the high school band and glee clubs.

These favorites of air and stage offered a varied program of skillfully balanced entertainment. Vocal and instrumental offerings were blended with dancing, comedy and novelty acts into an evening of mixed thrills.

Prominent among the performers of the Barn Dance Frolic roadshow were Max Berlin and Clifford Tull. These men needed no introduction to Marion people, as they

## SENIOR ENGLISH CLASSES ENTER SEALS CONTEST

### Winners To Be Announced Later

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An interscholastic theme contest was again participated in by the members of the senior class. The themes are entitled "The Winning Fight Against Tuberculosis," and one from this school will be sent to the state contest at Des Moines. From this group, there will be ten themes chosen as suitable for radio speeches from both class A and B schools. The authors of these twenty themes will be presented with an engraved gold medal. These themes will then be again judged, and the four winning themes (one from each group) will bring to their schools a large silver cup.

This contest is being sponsored by the Iowa Tuberculosis association and it is to help further the sale of Christmas Seals and to aid in any way possible the fight against T. B.

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obtained their start here and have performed many times in this vicinity.

Also prominent were the Calico Maids, the Lonesome Cowboy, Windy Brown, and the Sheriff and his Deputies. Tillie Boggs, a top-ranking comedienne, was also much in evidence.

Three shows were given, one at three o'clock, and the other two at 7:30 and 9:00 o'clock in the evening. All shows were well attended and it was a great success in this community.

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## M.H.S. Students and Faculty Plan for Vacation

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Many and varied are the plans for our Thanksgiving. We have contacted a few of the students as to what they might do. Parties, trips,

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VACATION

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and other diversions have been planned, but for the most of us, we'll probably eat, sleep and stay home.

Jacq. and Barbara Clay are going to Rock Island, while the Swifts are going further east to Chicago. Betty Wallace is planning to eat turkey in Alburnett. Miss Jean Boyson of Iowa City will be a guest of L. A. Harding. Carleton Oxley is planning to go to Chicago for a few days. Miss Schrubbe is going to her home in Decorah, while "Johnnie" Johnson will probably biologically hunt his own turkey with a bee-bee gun! Miss Faris is going home for her vacation in Mediapolis. Janet Derflinger said she'd be in the hospital probably before the day's over (too much turkey Janet!) Jean Lanning plans to go to her grandmother's in Center Point. Harrilee Kindig, Phyllis Freeman and Beulah Etzel will probably spend their time bowling. Dorothy Smith is planning to go south. Norman Givens stated that he was doing to eat turkey Thursday and sleep Friday and Saturday—so don't bother him. (That dear little boy). Mr. Pugh and Billy Thomas will probably hold a contest to see which one can pull down the most ducks. Norm and Arleen will no doubt have a date! Don Tow isn't doing anything SPECIAL! Lucy will be heard complaining to her "Modern Melody Makers" as to what she ate!

BASKETBALL
Highlights

Last week, the basketball season of Marion high school was officially started. The two coaches have been drilling the squad on passing and dribbling particularly, with a few pointers on shooting baskets as well as on offensive plays.

A squad of approximately forty boys reported last Monday. It was formerly thought that there would be a freshman and a varsity team, but Coach Hoeck will take charge of a "B" squad, while Coach Coffman will take over the duties of forming the varsity squad. Wednesday evening the schedule was formed that the varsity would practice after school and the "B" squad after supper. In this way, each of the two coaches will have sufficient time to devote to his respective squad on the important fundamentals of basketball.

All of last week, as well as this week, will see much practice in order to get a good combination on the floor for our one or two games later in the month of December. These first games will give much needed experience to the team for the games after Christmas vacation.

Basketball, oh yes, so 'tis. The

season of our fine cage games has arrived, and with it has arrived Thanksgiving, Christmas, and worry for Coach Coffman and Coach Hoecke. With but two lettermen back, namely, Davin and Fowler, Coffman is looking for good players to fill the position vacated by last year's squad.

The basketball-minded B squad is under the supervision of Coach Hoecke, who has quite a time with the freshmen and other aspirants. It seems as though they can't get certain things into their heads. The poor coach is driven high crazy teaching them the figure eight.

But at the same time this lowly person was watching the squad under Mr. Coffman practice, and it seems some of them could learn from the B squad as most of you know the first basketball game will be away from home, at Mount Vernon. The current talk around the school is that is basketball team is in for much the same drubbing that the football boys suffered. But the basketball team will be out to avenge, if possible, the defeats handed to us by Mount Vernon. Vinton, Monti, Manchester and the others. Just because we lost our football games doesn't mean we'll lose our basketball games. Don't misunderstand me, I don't predict that Marion will win all of her games, but she won't lose them all either.

JUNIOR HIGH
NEWS

G. A. A. was held Thursday of last week. Relay games were played. Everyone voted on the thing they would like to do in the coming meetings. Such things as games, dancing, basketball, etc., were voted on.

Assembly was given last Thursday by Mr. Sedlacek's home room, 73. The boys glee club sang "Who Did" and "Cookery Maid." John Wall acted as master of ceremonies and Charlotte Smith read the scripture. The third portion of the assembly consisted of fourteen spotlight sketches based on the predictions of a noted seeress, Madame Future Television. Bonnie Carey played Madame Future Television. The sketches were portrayed as follows:

1. Francis Clark, a jigger, by Ruth Wickham.
2. Billy Scott, math prof., by Billy Vahl.
3. Fay Parks, Patsy Kelly II, by Phyllis Newcomb.
4. Robert Wilbur, 6-day bike rider, by Wayne Stevenson.
5. Geraldine Braian, lady lion tamer, by Dorothy Dumbolton.
6. Laurens Martin, radio an-

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nouncer, by Lyle McConaughy.

7. Bonnie Carey and June De-wees, piano players at Garden theatre, by Gladys Hyde and Drusilla Lockey.

8. Bob Marsh, as world's fastest human, by Bob Mann.

9. Ida Mae Boner, circus fat lady, by Margaret Layer.

10. Charles Birmingham, All-American tackle, by Gene Jacobs.

11. Bobby Vernon, world's heavyweight champion, by Fred Huddleston.

12. Mary Starry, tap dancer, by Delores Clemans.

13. Tom Shay and Kent Golden, circus clowns, by Clarence Reinhard and Earl Bohlken.

14. Duane Nollsch, democratic national chairman, by David Dipple.

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DIARY of a School Girl

By BETTY ANN

MONDAY: About time for more speculation, I wonder: If June M. still likes little farmer boys.

TUESDAY: VOX is out. Went to the barn dance; such stale jokes, whoo-eee! Went up to the bowling alley in the evening, and what did I see but John Granger's name on the honor roll, and I used to beat him myself with the score of 85.

WEDNESDAY: Nice time at play practice, I hear. After that exhibition of rope swinging yesterday, some would-be cowboys roped up Tillie Schaefer. They did a good job of it, too.

THURSDAY: Speeches! Johnny F. says that every girl either has a boy friend or has her eye on one. Your wrong, John; most of 'em have at least three spotted in case of emergency. A stranger almost fell for Virginia Self, but it wasn't his fault, poor guy, she almost knocked him over.

FRIDAY: Made apple dump-lings in home ec. Miss Kuhn thinks we all chew gum like a cow chews her cud. But she's wrong. We have to watch out that we don't get caught and a cow doesn't. Went to the dance; danced to the heavenly swing of G. (Gabriel) Ward and his band.

SOCIETY

By MARY ELLEN GRANGER

Friday, November 13th, the "Ainties" had a theatre party, the group banding together and bombasting the Garden Theatre with their presence.

There was no meeting of the Q. N. G. this week due to the W.H.O. Barn Dance Frolic. Consequently, you haven't heard any gossip going around.

Every evening a group of Junior students gather with Miss Faris for the purpose of practicing for the Junior Play. There is to be a limited number of practices, because the play is scheduled for the Thursday and Friday nights of December 10th and 11th. Therefore, the evenings are spent very industriously.

Jean Lekdigh was so ill Thursday night that she had a sign out, No Visitors. Therefore she had no visitors.

Friday evening after the all-high dance, Mary Ellen Granger and her brother, John, entertained a group of guests at a buffet lunch given in their home. The party was given in honor of Wayne Wells and Jean Rae Wells, who will soon be leaving for Clinton. Those in attendance were Jean Rae Wells, Bernice Gough, Mary Ellen Ford, Martha Snell, Harriet Swift, Lillian Ann Harding, Betty Wallace, Kirk Snell, Wayne Wells, Frank Swift, Bob Hense, Albert Schenken, Jim Fry and Maurice Flack.

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Alice Hammond: "One of our pigs was sick and I fed him sugar."

Minor W.: "Sugar! You're crazy."

Alice: "Crazy nothing! Haven't you ever heard of sugar-cured ham?"

HERE AND THERE

With the delightful odor of Thanksgiving turkey permeating the air, a word or two about the successful self-control of gluttonous appetites. When I was a youth, my dear Grandma gave me a few words of excellent advice. She said to go to a restaurant for breakfast and consume a hearty breakfast of rubbery wheat cakes and diluted sweetened water. By the time that noon has arrived, the four aspirins and half package of Tums you have consumed in the meantime has had its effect and the result is very satisfactory as far as curbing the appetite goes.

'Twas the day after Thanksgiving
And all through the shack—
Came a moaning and groaning
Like a drunk in a hack.
And mamma and auntie
And sweet Cousin Flo
Were spooning and stirring
The cures that they know.
And Wee Wearie Willie
His inards in pain
Was howling and yelling,
His efforts in vain.
The cider he'd taken
Had gone to his head
And Wee Wearie Willie
Was stretched out in bed.

Basketball is quite a problem this year, according to Martha Snell and Harlette French, but the problem solved by not taking books home, so they don't have to carry them anyway, and they're always

been used to walking.

Well, so long, girls, and may the dear Deity spare your boy friends from Thanksgiving, football casualties and intestinal disorders.

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Friends in Foreign Countries

Several weeks ago it was announced in the VOX that it was possible for high school students to correspond with people in other lands.

At the present time, Martha Jane Snell, Mary Ellen Granger, Betty Lou Scott and Jeanne Sheldon are corresponding with young people in Germany, West Indies, India, and Switzerland.

It is very easy to start a correspondence, and both of you will find it interesting once you have begun. Write and tell all about your school your friends, the town in which

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FRIENDS

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you live, and other seemingly common-place things.

There are many countries to write to, perhaps some of which you are not well acquainted with. This is a good way to learn more about their customs, their sports, and holidays.

Who knows but what many people corresponding with friends in other lands will help to promote friendlier relationships between countries.

Why don't you start writing now?

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Nature Column

Answer to last week's question: Last week's question should have read: "What large animal is without a voice?" instead of "view." The answer is the giraffe.

Question of the week: What animals fills its legs with water when it rains and folds them up when at rest?

An ordinary city, you know, is a plan where a great many people live close together, and so are able to enjoy some conveniences not possible for those that live apart from each other, as on scattered farms in the country. In a city, by uniting their efforts, they have the advantages of paved streets, water, electric lights, and other conveniences. Sponges can be compared to the buildings, streets and alleys of a city of the sea, formerly thickly inhabited by millions of exceedingly small animals that had united their efforts for the common good.

This city was not just long and broad; it was a roundish irregular mass. If you look at a sponge, you will notice numerous little tubes running through it, opening into still larger tubes. In life, those tubes were lined with actively working cells, the inhabitants, that by their united efforts had constructed the city. They formed a jelly-like mass that filled the space of the city except the tube-like openings (the streets) through which circulated the sea water, with its many minute forms of life on which the inhabitants fed.

Each little life was centered in a skin-covered cell, which collectively formed the houses of the city, all connected like the houses in a closely built city block.

Masses of sponges are fished up from the rocks in shallow seas. Cleaned, trimmed, dried, they form the sponges that we buy.

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Poetry Corner

Conducted by
LILLIAN ANN HARDING

If you place your nose on the
grindstone rough
And keep it down there long
enough,
You'll soon forget there are
such things
As brooks that bubble, and birds
that sing.
And for you your whole world
will compose,
Just you—and the stone—and
your poor old nose.

An Old Prayer Still Good

Give me a good digestion, Lord,
and also something to digest.
Give me a healthy body, Lord,
with sense enough to keep it
at its best.
Give me a healthy mind, good
Lord, to keep the good and
pure in sight,
Which, seeing sin, is not appalled
but find a way to set it right.
Give me a mind that is not bound,
that does not whimper, whine,
or sigh,
Don't let me worry over-much
about the fussy thing called "I".
Give me a sense of humor, Lord;
give me the grace to see a joke,

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and pass it on to other folk.

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JOKES

By NAOMI BILLS

If you students would like the VOX to start another advice to the lovelorn column again this year, let us know by bringing your problems to the VOX office.

Dear Advisor:

I have been able so far in my young life to figure out my own problems by myself, but now I've found one I can't. It is this: My mother and father believe I have no will-power and cannot say "no" to a question or an invitation. I am just 16 and they will not let me go anywhere with the boys until I prove to them I have "will power." How can I do so?

SIXTEEN.

Dear Sixteen:

Your problem sounds easy, but when you try to prove it in the end it is very hard.

When your mother calls you to get up in the morning, it's a task to jump out of bed and get dressed, because it takes a lot of will power, but get right out and prove to her you have will power. Just little things like these at home will help

you solve your problems.

Dear Advisor:

I am a boy about 5 feet 11 inches tall. People say I am not bad looking and I come from a good family. I'm a sophomore in school and do not get D's or F's on my card. I am happy and contented and everything is, to use the slang, "Hunky Dory". But I cannot get a girl in school to go anywhere with me. I dress pretty good, teeth are straight, hair combed and everything, but not one girl will come near me. Now I am wondering what is wrong. If you could help me I wish you would tell me.

IN-A-BAD-FIX.

Dear In-a-Bad-Fix:

All I can say is that the girls are missing something if you are as you describe yourself. Maybe you have B. O., halitosis, or are silly when you are with the girls; do not have good manners when out with them. All of these things keep you from being well liked. Check over these things and see if you don't get results.

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