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EDITORIAL

"All good things must suffer a bitter end," so probably each of our pleasures will someday turn to a bitter pill in our mouths. This in words that the rank and file of this commonplace world can understand means Edward Conrad is taking his celestial evacuation. What remains to be seen is what will the suffering members of the VOX staff find to take the place of the tender memories left in all the hearts and minds of his co-workers. Edward can get more ads in less time than any other business manager I ever saw. Truly, Eddie has caused more female hearts to jump dangerously, fantastically in fact, only to be rejected for another. Eddie had no financial wizard's power such as the Germans possess, but he had what it takes to get what he goes after. And now, ladies and gentlemen, I think I have completed my little brief resume of the chief characteristics of so memorable an acquaintance as this honorable student who departs for the time to Alburnett on February the fifth. May he live happily ever after.

VALENTINES

Valentines are in the air--believe it or not. (Now don't take me too literally, but really they are.) And I know that there are certain individuals in that bunch of lads in Marion High who are wondering whether they should give valentines to their favorite lassie, and whether it should be a mere card with the words "Won't you be my valentine?" or "I love you!" or a big heart shaped box of candy or a dozen red roses. Really you've no idea how much we appreciate a mere card--at least it shows you are thinking of us. But when it comes to a box of candy---oh---our hearts fairly jump out of our mouths. And a dozen red roses--I won't believe it till I see them.

The dictionary says, a valentine "is a letter of sentimental or burlesque character sent on Valentine's Day." So I guess we should be satisfied with just a valentine.



FEB. 14.

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

Theme
by
Mary E. Starry

HEARD ON A BUS

Sitting on seats opposite each other are two rather elderly looking women. One is dressed in shabby clothes and is very fat. The other in the latest styles and looks very "put on." The latter's little boy sits looking dreamily out of the window.

The shabby woman is speaking, "Missus, is that your little boy?"

"Pardon. Did you speak to me?"

"'Course, I did. Guess you're the only one sittin' beside o'me, ain't you? and besides, you're the only one in the whole bus with a little boy."

"I see you are speaking to me so I shall attempt to answer some of your questions. Yes, he is my little boy. Don't you think he is sweet? He just sits and dreams like that all day. I guess it must be his mother's genius in him. I'm a very great singer."

"Is that so? My land! I never thought I'd ever live to ride on the same bus, let alone to talk to a great singer."

"Oh, well, you see I am not really very famous, but I do sing at a few concerts, and now and then, an opera or two. I don't mind if a few people and friends call me famous, but I don't want the rest of the world to know me. You do though. Don't you kiss ah--?"

"Just call me Marthy. Yes, I do. I'd be doing good if I could carry a tune in a bushel basket. My land! Just look at that boy o'yourn, dropped plumb off to sleep!"

"Oh, dear, and the next corner is where we get off. He has a habit of doing that just like his father. Wake up! Oh, Pardon, do wake up, darling. Come, we are to get off here."

"Later, dear, do make the driver carry me across the street."

"Driver, will you carry my little boy across the street?"

"My land! If that hunk of lead was my kid, I'd make him walk. My, weren't they high-toned, though?"

SPECIAL ARTICLE

Have you read the February issue of "Hygia?"

It contains two articles which every high school student should read--study and memorize might be said. The first is by Dr. Thurman B. Rice, a noted physician and scientist, entitled, "The Choice of a Marriage Mate." In plain language Dr. Rice lists ten specifications which must be considered by the young person who wishes to make a wise choice.

The second article is by Dr. Morris Fishbein, famous secretary of the American Medical Association. Its title is, "Modern Medical Charlatans." Among others Dr. Fishbein pays his respects to John R. Brinkley, the quack whom many of you hear occasionally on the radio around ten o'clock at night. Also, the "vitamin follies" and superstitions are exposed to the searchlight of facts.

Here is good reading, interesting reading, and mayhap profitable reading in that it may save hard-earned money for you and much unhappiness from you.

C. B. Vernon

MY FAULTS IN SPEAKING

As sure as speech day rolls around, that old feeling of having a lizard creep all around through me returns like a haunting ghost of long ago. A wriggling of this animal results in a series of "spasmodic" shakes, causing the people to believe that I am impersonating a person afflicted with Saint Vitus Dance. At this moment the teacher speaks to me; it is my turn for a speech; the lizard leaps and bites. I jump, and a gulp of air struggles with difficulty through that little opening in my throat and wanders aimlessly down my trachea while I'm wishing in vain for it to hurry so that the ache in my lungs would disappear.

After staggering to my feet I totter precariously to my destination, the front of the room. Hard upon opening my mouth to speak, no words greet my ears, only a blast of precious air escapes. Oh, how my face burns! Brilliant lights appear where the sun blesses all the little perspiration drops by making a diamond of everyone. I try again. Two words come in halting succession--a gulp--then two more words. On each copped-up sentence the teacher ponders momentarily to try to grasp the meaning which

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has already gone for me. Her efforts were half in vain; therefore, I make a stammering conclusion of meaningless words and grope blindly for my seat. Ah, here is my seat! Heaven be praised! I'm through with this week's speech.

JUST A SUGGESTION

Surprise--one of our well-known seniors appeared today with his hair combed and actually kept down with a little H₂O. Of course our first conclusion was "a girl," and he snapped back "I don't know where I'd find a girl around here."

Well; I'll have you know, there are plenty of girls worthy of your choice around this fair city--in fact, right in this institution. This not only goes for one individual of the male sex but for all who think that the lovely little fems aren't good enough for them.

Now, I don't mean that it is necessary for you to "fall in love" and start going "steady."

More than one gal has spent three evenings a week--and at home listening to the radio and knitting. It's all right once in a while--but too much is too much. And some of the fellows sit up at the "corner drug" and consume one ooo after another--I know you're lonesome--you couldn't help but be. Why not take a fem to the show or something else a little bit more exciting?

Try it some time. You'll find we're not so boring, and if you don't like us, tell us why.

CLASS NOTES

Frankie Swift suffered a compound fracture of the seat of his pants the other day. I wonder whether that hurts much or not.

What has happened to Joan McCann? One day she walked into home room with her gloves on and never noticed it. Another day she came to class with her over-shoes on. What's wrong, Joan?

Willie Booze was heard to say, "They tease me because of my long arms, but I fool them at the dinner table."

If you wish to get first hand information on our penal institutions just ask Audrey. She has formed another perplexity to the traffic in our halls with her green sweater.

PEOPLE OF THE HEADLINES

Norman Givens (slug) In love with a Packard.

Robert Elmer Hense (slug) The undertaking of French.

Carlton Oxley (Cot) Dentistry in a way.

Frank Travis (Romeo) My downfall, a Chevrolet. (Try a Ford, Frank).

Sluggo Fry Katie, beautiful KATIE!

Jack (poker) Price Bobo F.

Gordon Spence (Admiral) Mary, Mary, quite contrary.

Merle Hanson (Milkfed) June, my favorite month--yes, indeed.

Noel De Wees My favorite study --H. SWIFT.

Tommy Hatt Aw, tis Lenore now-or more!

WAYNE CARPENTER The study of lumber--WE KNOW IT.

Butch Davis The round house is the place, boys!

Beezil Zier Aiding in the search with Carp.

Dick Little Only one BARB on his wire.

Spiker Mullaley Oh, for the attention of an Ivo....Y.

Ringland A few more stripes Bud, and you'll find yourself where Bob N. was last Tuesday eve!!! A different building of course.

ROBERT NEWLIN-----ANAMOSA, HERE I COME (The Grill).....Did you lose yourself Bob, or was it your eyes again? She's a brunette boys!

The ending that was so tragic.

PSSSSSSSSTTTT! LISTEN!

Have You Heard:

About Henry Siebels and his harem? It seems he has quite a collection.

About the Freshmen S. W. club? They say it's a men hat-ors' gathering, but we doubt it. The initials might mean "Some Women -- woo-woo!"

That Dick (Caruso) Little is very fond of embroidery work? Really we wonder where he finds time for all of his so interesting pastimes.

About the budding romance between two brilliant juniors? Imagine it. Two brilliant juniors--I mean. It seems the cold weather kind of froze their passions up. He almost refused to walk home with her.

Just Imagine:

K. Norman knitting in gym
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DID YOU KNOW?

Results of Vox Quiz

The first question in the Vox quiz was: Do you take your books home and if so how often, and do you really study after you get them home? We found that 93 out of 125 take their books home sometimes. 33 of these take them home every night, and 21 take them home over the week-end or twice a week. Only 26 really study them, and two or three kind students take their books out just for the airing. A few individuals feel that studying is hard on the eyesight, and a few more don't mind adding knowledge to their store when there is nothing else to do.

It was interesting to find that 35 students really liked to give speeches, and that 8 didn't mind if they had a good topic to talk about. 86 stated that they did not enjoy talking in front of an English class, and two or three even went so far as to say "Hardly" or "Absolutely not!"

When asked whether they read the funnies, short sermons, or front page news in the newspaper: 115 people admitted that they fell for Henry, Little Abner, and Boots; 20 said that they read Joseph Fort Newton's short sermons 'sometimes'; and only 73 signed up as news readers. I think 'side glances' are kind of cute, too, don't you?

We might have known when we asked about favorite movie stars that Robert Taylor would rank first, but we never guessed that after Claudette Colbert, Don Ameche, and Tyrone Power that Donald Duck would tie with Errol Flynn. Then there was another tie among Loretta Young, Mae West, Jane Withers, Charlie Chan, Ray Miland, and Deanna Durbin. Several others were mentioned; among them Simon Simone, James Kiltz, Betty Boop, Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Dick Powell, Carol Lombard, and Joe E. Brown.

About 79 students gave me a big surprise when they answered that they did bring their report cards back promptly, but 45 good souls confessed that they weren't so quick about it as they might be. Of course it is excusable for those who got A's and want a little extra time to gloat over them, but wouldn't it be nice for the teachers if we would all reform. Don't tell anyone, but I have not even taken mine home to be signed yet.

An interesting character around M.H.S. recently said that

what griped her was that boys went with her just to play padilly. Be that as it may, 57 ardent padillyists admitted that they played and enjoyed the silly game. 68 though either hated to betray themselves or really had never heard of the thing. Some few retaliated with more questions such as: "What do you think?" and "What is the thing?" Naturally several left the answer column blank. Nevertheless, jeep hunters still flourish.

Opinions differ as to what make good training rules. Smoking, drinking, and women were generally considered to be bad influences on the susceptible athlete. We wonder why women are a bad influence. Some one suggested that what you should do about training rules--keep them. Another person says, "Stay in where it is safe." Several others seem to think that a little sleep now and then wouldn't hurt. C. (Rosy) Schaefer says, "Behave yourself!" Not a bad idea; why don't you try it sometime, Tillie?

Sixty girls think that dates on school nights are all right. Four think that it is ~~nicer~~ ^{nicer} work if you can get it, and some even suggest ways and means to go about it. We think the best way to get experience is to watch the fresh-(?)men girls, or better yet read their notes. Sixteen young ladies think that dates are bad on school nights, but only one stated that her parents objected. Three or four said that it depended on the date and what time you go home. One modern Juliet (let's not mention names--she might be a timid soul! ventures the opinion that the best thing to do about dates is not to break them. What do you think?

As to our treatment of teachers, freshmen, and members of the opposite sex, one can never tell. There was a wide range of answers, and while some would treat teachers as their mothers, others would handle with care. Most students agree that teachers should be respected; of course there is no law against trying to get away with things just so you don't get caught. Strangely enough freshmen think they should be treated just like other students. Very few of them had any complaints, and some even said they thought they were treated very well. Upper classmen say they should be treated as

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inferiors, as babies, with pity, with disdain, with snobbishness, and with the highest esteem. As for the members of the opposite sex, some think they should be teased, scorned, pleased, bossed, treated faintly, cruelly, or like dirt. Others think it all depends, but everyone says have a good time, and don't let them get ahead of you.

If 100 M.H.S. students want a thing don't you think we ought to get it? Well, 100 of those asked said they were definitely in favor of a student council, while only 26 said they were against the idea. 2 persons even went so far as to say they wanted a student council "by all means". Let's hear what more of you have to say on this subject. Contributions in the form of letters to the editor can be handed in at the Vox office any time.

We're sure that Mr. Hoeck will be glad to hear that he is ranked as the most interesting person in M. H. S. Some of the reasons for his popularity (by the way he got 13 votes) were his broad shoulders, his sugary comments about students and his irresistible Clark Gable profile. Darlene Mills trailed winner Hoeck with 6 votes, her reputation based wholly on her unique (shall we say?) hair dress. Next came Coach Eldon Coffman, because of his dignity and his smile. Then Susan Hankins, Alice Wallace, Edward Conrad, J. Francis Pope and his stop and go sign shirt, Myra Jane Scott, and Rescoe Markot. Givens' new pants, Gladys Christensen's good looks, and Glen Metzger's reputation put them up with the other winners. Betty Mae (Artist) Marchant was sorry that she had no mirror, and Donnell Beadle was chosen because he was the only one in sight.

Some suitable subjects suggested (Whoo---just rest your tired eyes on that alliteration) for addition to Marion High's curriculum were French, Chemistry, German, Journalism, dancing, botany, agriculture, and manners. What we need first of all, some one says, is a class on how to concentrate in study hall. Well, we could board up all the windows, but just think of the money it would cost for electricity.

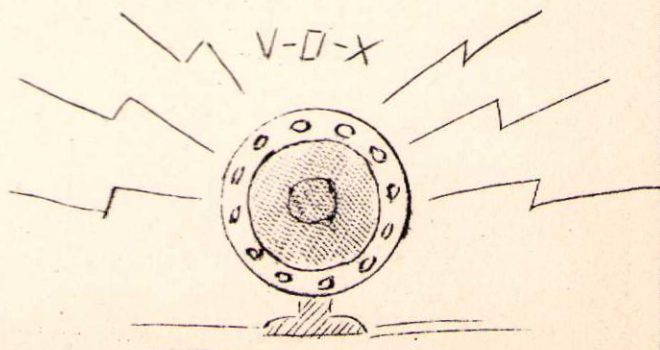
Twenty boys definitely objected to bright-colored fingernail polish, and only two said they didn't mind. One boy said

squaws. Minor Wilkinson (always broad-minded) said, "What's the difference? Just take what you want!" We think you've got something there Beans! The girls were more liberal in their views about bright colored ties. Only 11 really objected to them, and 41 didn't mind at all, but one girl did say, "What ties?" We think she has the right idea, maybe you young gallants could do something about it.

22 pupils stated that they read the first page of the Vox first--odd, isn't it?--while 7 confessed a fondness for the jokes, and 4 stuck by the sports news. 61, however, like the Class Notes, PSSSSSTTTT! Listen! column or Adventures of Bismarck. Remember that Vox is printed for the Marion High students and we try to give you what you want. If anyone has a suggestion to make, better get it off your chest in a hurry. We're always glad to accept good ideas.

The careers of the students sound most interesting----most interesting. That is if most of them got to do what they want to. 20 hope to go to college, 13 want to be nurses, 15 would like to become stenographers or secretaries, 6 want to be beauty operators, and 6 more want to teach school. If their hopes come true there will be 2 doctors, 2 visitors to Europe; 1 ditch digger, 1 dancer, 1 radio announcer, 1 bill board expert, 1 football player, 1 farmer, 1 air hostess, 1 lawyer, and 1 (don't tell anybody, but his name is J. Q. A. Hatt) crater, from good old M. H. S. And we must not forget the four who want to get married. These same people were asked what they probably would do, and 11 intend to become thumb twiddlers, 12 housewives, 2 delivery boys, also 1 ditch digger, and 1 president. For some inexplicable reason J. Francis Pope wants to move to Anamosa. He says that Frank Travis will tell you the reason.

Signing off----station V-O-X about time, don't you think so?



BISMARCK TURNS FORTUNE TELLER

They tell me I'm clairvoyant, and so I'm gonna let all of you in on my success and make a few prophecies. Maybe you'll be included.....there'll be more every week! Just think--in twenty years

1. Enafae Ellison will be America's leading manufacturer of tin roofs. Her success is due to the fact that she has patented a process of making tin from old worn-out skeletons.

2. James Cheslov will be a millionaire; his line of business will be the wholesale selling of ready-made excuses to school kids.

3. Joan McGann will be the World Champion figure skating personality. She will be known to all her loving friends as a second Sonia Henie.

4. James Pringle will be a rancher. His specialty will be blue-ribbon cattle to furnish the leather for boxing gloves.

5. Arlene Zimmer will be a dancing instructor to Fred Astaire. Her right-hand man will be Johnny Torroter.....the left hand man doesn't appear in the crystal, so the position is evidently not taken as yet.

6. Gordon Spence will be Admiral of the Navy. He will live in the South Seas and manufacture mops as a side line. His fortune will be plentiful, for he will sell the mops to Uncle Sam's fleet.

7. Grace Donovan will be the chief bookkeeper to the United States Government. Her assistant will be "Red" Davin, who will control the treasury assets.

8. Jack Price will be renowned for the excellent quality wire that he sells to Marion High School to make baskets for the winning basketball teams which will play at the school. The wire is also used to hold the crowds back when he puts in his appearance at the gym floor for an oration. He is noted for his dignified and simple speeches.

9. Eunice Mershen will be the Ace manufacturer of small bottles of Pepsie-Cola, which will retail at the price of 2¢... on the cuff. (How should I know?) She will also own and manage Grauman's Chinese theater in Hollywood. Chief usher will be Curtv.

10. Melvin Fernow, Billy Davis and Donald Benedict will be

professors of the Gregg Shorthand course at Coe College. They are noted for their outstanding ability in this line.

11. Mildred Wickham will become famous through her sensational Gum Stand located on the second floor of Marion High School. (Come around in 20 years and see if I'm not right.) The only gum sold there will be Jiruska-Fruto, and will retail to all pupils at stupendous savings.

12. Ellsworth Fleming will be the manufacturer of Elbow-Pads that he invented while in school, so he could present them to the opposing team's chief "tuffv" and then run no risk of having ribs broken in case someone should try to pick a fight with him.

13. LeVerno Rose will be the owner and manager of the People's Grocery store. The fellow that unpacks the shredded wheat and prunes will be Art.

-----Well, folks, the crystal is getting foggy, and so I'll be seeing you next week with more of these predictions.....unless my psychic powers desert me!

HIGH SCHOOL A.B.C.'S

A--"Aint love grand!"-----Kay
B--Big Boy-----Norm Givens
C--Come'n got it---Frankie Travis
D--Deanna Durbin's double-----Bernie Gough
E--End of a perfect (?) day-----Mrs. Bragg
F--Forgotten-----Bob Nowlin
G--God-----Gordon Spence
H--Hot Stuff-----LeVerno Rose
I--Infinitesimal---Myra Jane Scott
J--June in January-----J. Poe M.
K--Kutie---Shirley Temple Kearns
L--Long Legs-----Justin Kincaid
M--Man Mad-----Norma Holbig
N--No Soap-----James Pope
O--Obedient-----Dwain Cruso
P--President of Math Club-----Dolly E. Hense
Q--Quick witted---Bruce Phillips
R--Rice-sometime soon-Naomi Bills
S--Sweet & innocent (maybe)-----D. Tow
T--Tattle tale-----K.O.
U--Useless-----all freshmen
V--Villain--(mustache & all)-----John Torroter
W--Women--wreck my life--Sez who? John Howe
X--X marks the spot---where Pringle ran into a door
Y--That's what I say Y? Shhh----it's a pun!
Z--Zebra-----We haven't any, but would a monkey do?



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CASA BLANCA

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GOOD FOOD

ALL HIGH PLAY CAST ANNOUNCED

The cast for the one act play "Rich Man, Poor Man", which will be produced with hopes of entering it in the one act play contest at Iowa City, has been announced by Miss Russell.

The characters are as follows:

Emma--Helen Biddick

Peter--Dick Little

Tommy Browning--W. Carpenter

Kitty--B. Sloss

Mrs. McPhairson--V. Jackson

Mrs. Patrick Haggarty--

S. Hankins

Largo Johnson--W. Booze

Yotta Goldstein--C. Peckosh

Mrs. Bonelli--Molly Granger

Mrs. Ole Oleson--E. Rundquist

Nurse--Mary E. Ford

Mrs. X. Y. Smythe--V. Self

HOME DECLAMATORY CONTEST

The home declamatory contest was given on Tuesday, February 8. In the oratorical division Charles Birmingham received the high vote with Kent Finger second. In the dramatic division Helen Biddick won high honors with Virginia Jackson as second. In the humorous division Dorothy Ford received first and Wayne Carpenter was chosen as second. The boys' quartet furnished the music.

MARION VS WILSON FRIDAY NIGHT

BIDDICK

coal &

lumber

PHONE 15

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class. That's a sure way to be a great basketball player.

Vox without Ed. Conrad. Depressing thought to the whole Vox staff.

Albert Schenken not chasing after the seniors and giving the junior girls a break.

LOOK WHAT WE FOUND:

A freshman up on third floor --let's throw him over the banister.

C. Arthur B. looking intelligent.

Some one dumb enough to tell a Vox member some gossip. Isn't it a shame it isn't fit to print?

Joe: I was traveling 100 miles an hour in my car last night.

James: One hundred miles an hour?

Joe: Yes.

James: What do you use for gas?

Joe: Oh, I generally take some Bicarbonate of Soda

KOPE

sells really
good meat

ASSEMBLY

After a few remarks about his home town, Manchester, Mr. Pugh called the basketball squad up to the platform. Not satisfied with the group of handsome heroes who came running he commented on the marksmanship of the cannon-shooter, Mr. Warren. Then C. O. Johnson (I've even heard someone say he looks like a movie star) gave an inspiring speech about basketball and biology. Marion High's own Lyle (towhead) Warren challenged Principal Pugh, and also told some most interesting family skeleton. It seems--he is quite a sports star--what was it he said he played?--End on the bench. Coach Coffman requested that the people on the sidelines be more courteous, and the Price boys, Norm Givens, and Bob Nowlin all sounded very encouraging. A word from the freshmen was given with great poise and oratorical ability by Billy Scott. The student body was led in a few yells by cheer-loaders Weline & Fankins.

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MARION AVENGES

Avenging a defeat on their spotless record, the Marion boys trimmed Anamosa 29-25 in one of the hardest and fastest played games on the home floor.

Anamosa was greatly handicapped by the illness of Westphal who scored 13 points in the previous game.

Hense led the home scorers with 13 points and Blayne made 9 for Anamosa.

The summary:

Anamosa (25)			
	FG	FT	P
Trevarchon, f	: 4	: 0	: 3
Abuddle, f	: 1	: 0	: 3
Edwards, f	: 0	: 0	: 0
Blayne, c	: 4	: 1	: 1
Robertson, g	: 0	: 1	: 2
Ireland, g	: 2	: 0	: 2

Marion (29)			
	FG	FT	P
J. Price, f	: 4	: 5	: 2
Hense, f	: 2	: 2	: 1
Trimble, f	: 2	: 0	: 1
Biessecker, f	: 0	: 0	: 0
Flemming, f	: 1	: 1	: 1
Givens, f	: 0	: 0	: 1
B. Price, g	: 0	: 0	: 1
Spence, g	: 0	: 2	: 0
Swift, g	: 0	: 0	: 0
Marsh, g	: 0	: 1	: 1

UNDEFEATED IN CONFERENCE

The Marion boys wound up their conference schedule without a defeat Monday night. The two defeats this season were at the hands of non-conference teams. Manchester although being at the bottom of the conference put on a good show with many thrills. The game was postponed Friday because of the inability of Manchester to come because of the roads.

The freshmen game was full of pep and the home boys dragged all the way finally going to the front in the third period, never to go below again.

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of
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