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MARION HIGH SCHOOL

MARION, IOWA

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Marion Students Bring Home Honors



The halls of Marion High School were buzzing April 5th and 6th with the excitement of students from the sixteen participating schools of State Solo and Ensemble Contest.

Busses filled with anticipating students began arriving as early as 7:30, Saturday morning. The contestants first searching for the center where they would later perform, and next seeking a practice room to insure a

good rating-the day was off to a beautiful start!

As the singers and instrumentalists awaited their dreaded performance time, the Marion students, who were working as couriers and registrars, were making new and brief acquaintances. Their performance time at hand, the contestants entered the contest room with reluctant enthusiasm to perform their best before the judge. Soon they were anxiously awaiting their ratings.

Relieved and happy cheers serged the building as Marion received the biggest

percentage of division I ratings. Marion earned 34 out of 52 I's in instrumental and 16 out of 21 division I's in their vocal presentations.

After learning the rating results, contestants explored the Marion High building and the curious looking lockers. Stopping at centers to hear the solos and ensembles of others, playing cards and

talking in the cafetorium while eating lunch and pastries of the Band Boosters and Chorus members, the guests enjoyed an unforgettable day at Marion High School.

Undoubtedly the teachers, parents, custodians, and students who helped to make the contest a big success won't soon forget it and a special thanks goes out to each and everyone of those who helped make the day a real success.

Student Art Teacher Visits Marion High

The most recent addition to the art classes at Marion High is the Student Art teacher. Her name is Mrs. Gilson. She is attending the University of Iowa on a Fellowship Scholarship and will obtain her masters degree in 1970. Mrs. Gilson was born in Cherokee Iowa, where she attended Garfield elementary school, Wilson Junior High, and graduated from Washington High.

When comparing Marion High with Washington High in Cherokee, she said she thought that the relationship between the students and the teachers was more formal there and the teachers were older than the ones at Marion. "A few years ago the rules were a lot different at Washington; more trust was put in students. Students didn't need passes to leave a room and at lunch time they could go anywhere in the world as long as they were back for their next class." Mrs. Gilson likes the students at Marion and said, "I'm having a great time so far." (She had only been at Marion a few days when this interview took place.)

Mrs. Gilson's main goal in life is to first be a good doctor's wife and then a mother and art teacher. Her advice to students is that "when you get out in life don't be narrow; don't be afraid to try new things." And as many people find out when they are out in the world, she says, "I'm only 23 and not very wise."

UNDERSTANDING. . .

It is always hard to substitute understanding for blaming.

It is hard to substitute love for hate. It is hard to put across the idea that we will not solve the problems of peace and war.

Unless we understand ourselves and others. It requires humility, patience, intelligence. But unless we understand how people become friendly or unfriendly, tolerant or intolerant, fearful or courageous,

We shall merely muddle around in human relations.

SUMMER FUN !!!

Want something to do this summer? Why not take typing or driver's education? Typing classes begin at 8:00 and 10:00 a. m. and last for six weeks. The fee is \$5 which will be returned upon successful completion of the course.

Driver's education will begin with an orientation on May 29 at 4:00 p. m. Classes will begin June 3. For convenience there will be four class periods starting at 8:00, 10:15, 1:30 and at 6:00. Requirements of the course include 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of actual driving. The fee is \$5, some of which will be returned after the completion of the course.

Seniors Win Gregg Awards

Eight senior girls have recently received various GREGG awards for skill in shorthand and typing. These awards are offered to qualifying students by the GREGG TESTS AND AWARDS Division of McGraw-Hill Book Company, and are given after the

students have satisfactorily passed certain tests administered by the teacher in charge. Students may choose either gold pins or charms depicting their

skills, and are granted certificates testifying to these skills.

Pat Logsdon and Janie Schroer received awards for accurate transcription of shorthand at 100 words a minute and for

transcription production work at the same speed; Sharon (Munson) Coons and Mary Rae received awards in the shorthand speed test for dictation at 100 words a minute with accurate transcription. Cathy Knickerbocker and Bonnie Cooper were honored for dictation at 80 words a min-

ute with accurate transcription, and Julie Yuva earned her award for transcription production work at 80 words a minute. Becki Schmitz qualified for the typewriting speed award by typing 50 words a minute for 5 minutes with no errors.

G.R.A. Mother-Daughter Banquet, May 16

G. R. A. will have a mother-daughter banquet on May 16. Awards will be given and the new officers will be presented.

For activity day they are thinking of going to Backbone instead of Lake Mc Bride.

April 22 will be a Co-rec night in the gym from 7 to 9 p. m. Everyone can come.

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Back row: Kathy Hoglund, Judi Dicus, Jodi Schoop, Bonnie Cooper, Pat Logston, Erma Riggle.

Fourteen business students attended the State Convention of the Future Business Leaders of America on April 19 and 20 in Cedar Falls on the campus of U. N. I. The girls accompanied fifteen members of the Cedar Rapids Jefferson chapter.

They were: Bev Dicus (Spelling and Creed Oration); Jody Schoop (Amateur Typewriting); Bonnie Cooper (Spelling); Gail Davidson (Business Knowledge and Current Events); Judi Dicus (Miss F. B. L. A.); Nancy Mosbarger (Vocabulary); Cathy Hoglund (Business Knowledge and Current Events); Louise Kleis (Shorthand--80); Pam Siver (Vocabulary); Pat Logsdon (Shorthand--110); Janie Schroer (Novice Typewriting); Erma Riggle (Business Knowledge and Current Events); Beth Geiger (Spelling); and Cathy Knickerbocker (Vocabulary).

FBLA State Convention Awards Given

Fourteen members of the local chapter of Marion High School FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA attended the 22nd annual FBLA state convention in Cedar Falls last week-end, competing in nine different events. Winning a Number I rating in the Business Knowledge and Current Events contest were Erma Riggle, Cathy Hoglund, and Gail Davidson. Number II ratings were awarded to the chapter's Vocabulary Relay team, composed of Nancy Mosbarger, Cathy Knickerbocker, and Pam Siver, as well as to Jodi Schoop, in the Typing event and to Louise Kleis in the Shorthand contest. Judi Dicus, president of the local chapter, was given an Honorable Mention rating in the Miss Iowa FBL contest, and Janie Schroer received Honorable Mention in the advanced typing contest.

U.N. Model Assembly '68



The eight members of the Greek and Chinese delegations left Marion with their worthy advisor, Mr. Boquist, at 7:15 on the morning of March 15. Their destination was Cedar Falls and the Iowa High School Model United Nations. As

some of the members had been up a little late the night before--making fudge and other such worthwhile projects--the ride up was not exactly subdued. (Did you know Mr. Boquist can smell

corn curls?

Upon their arrival in Cedar Falls the members were assigned rooms in the Holiday Inn, where most of the members of the 99 delegations were staying. One of the first people they met was a former Marion student you might remember, David Hobart--who was a member of the Iraq delegation.

After lunch and walk around town, where such vital purchases as peas and pea shooters were made, the members went to the General Assembly which

was in session from 12:00-2:00. At 2:30, the members parted to attend their respective committee rooms, where they discussed various resolutions for each of the two world problems presented to their committees.

The committees adjourned about 10:00, after which the representatives wound their weary way home for a "good night's sleep."

But, the Marion delegation had other plans. Because some terrible tricks had been played on him in previous years, Mr. Boquist vowed not to leave his room. However, the intelligent members of the Chinese delegation refused to be put down and slyly inserted peas into his bed not only while Mr. Boquist was in the room, but while he was seated on the bed! The rest of the night was spent in relative calm watching the late movie, "The Mummy." Mr. Boquist triumphed in the morning however, by instructing the motel desk

to awake his sleeping delegations at 6:30!

General Assembly was held the next day, Saturday, from 9:00 to 5:00. Because there were several resolutions and amendments to be voted on, Assembly was held straight through with no breaks. Resolutions were approved concerning the following world situations:

Trusteeship Committee--Portuguese territories, Southern Rhodesia; Social, Humanitarian, and Cultural Committee--Birth Control, Palestine Refugees;

Political and Security Committee--Vietnam Intervention;

Security Council--Arab-Israeli Conflict, Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

Many of the delegations stayed on after the General Assembly to attend the annual banquet. Because of a power failure, the delegates ate by candlelight. The Marion

delegation enjoyed hearing Mr. Boquist and friend reminisce about many of their experiences when they were younger.

After dinner, the delegates enjoyed listening to the Jordanian ambassador to the U. N., Dr. El-Farra, discuss world problems and significantly, the situation in the Middle East.

Considering everything, this year's Model U. N. was a truly educational and enjoyable experience for all involved. I'm sure that all the members of Marion's delegations would encourage all of you who are going to be here next year to participate.

The delegates then began the journey home. Mr. Boquist managed to survive the drive amid feet out the back window, the snoring of delegates, spilled sundies, the melodic strains of "Jesus Loves Me", and Suzanne Jacque's frantic hunt for Cindy Marshall's green pills.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The above impressions are centered around the social aspects of the Model Assembly as viewed by a first year delegate. In all fairness some mention must be made to the massive amount of preparation done by the attending schools prior to the event in order that they will be able to, through speech and voting in their respective blocks, participate in their delegations in a way representative of the country they represent. We however admit the delegates do meet some interesting people. (Isn't that right, Cynthia?)



POSTURE

Correct body posture can significantly lessen your chances of experiencing chronic back pain in later life. When sitting, keep your head, shoulders and trunk erect. Keep your back straight when standing or lifting. Lift with your knees and thigh muscles, rather than place all the strain on your spine by bending over. Treat a back strain with rest, heat, pain reliever and a moderate amount of massage.

Please Follow Smokey's

ABC's

Always hold matches till cold.

Be sure to drown all fires.

Crush all smokes dead out.



ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!

FUTURE NURSES MAKE PLANS

The Future Nurses are making plans and last minute preparations for their trip to Minnesota with the Mt. Vernon F. N. A. on May 2 and 3. They will visit the Mayo Clinic, the Methodist Hospital, and the Mayo Museum, all in Rochester.



Editorials

A Sincere Thank You . . .

On behalf of the MHS student body and MHS students of coming years, we would like to thank the voters of the Marion Independent School District for their approval in the recent school bond issue. The proposed, approved program consists of additions to the high school and Washington Elementary and the addition of a new elementary building. Such additions will provide rooms for the rapidly rising enrollment in the Marion system, and avoid the purchasing of temporary classrooms of the possibility of a split-shift schedule. The additional classroom space planned for the new building will allow the high school students to benefit from a new flexible scheduling which will allow them to develop their own specific interests through independent study while receiving large group instruction through a system of team teaching in the core subjects. Elective courses, too, will receive needed space--art, drafting, and industrial arts areas will be expanded, science laboratories added, another language lab made available, and improved music, drama, and speech facilities provided. We feel that by giving their approval, the voters of the District have shown their desire to provide their students with the best possible educational opportunities.

Poetry Corner

For the writer shall write
And the painter shall paint
And the world shall think
All the day.

For the piper shall play
And the singer shall sing
And the world shall rejoice
All the night.

For the blind man shall see
And the deaf man shall hear
And the world shall be better
For a while.

For the stars shall be ours
And the sky shall come near
And the world shall be there
In a flash.

For the night shall be day
And the black shall be white
And the world shall be dead
'Ere long.

Kim Ketelson

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Golden time along the shores of mind
finite
is spent in making peace harder to
comprehend,
whilst soldiers of love are garbed in
chicanery
and the plastic emotions of a pathetic
race,
doomed to the neverending task of
distending
and pulsing to the limits of expanded
consciousness.

Anarchy of thought has become the
keyword,
though none will leave their rotting
shells
to find the ultimate truth of love and
freedom
which most certainly exists in a
darkened corridor
of the mind, which can be made light
and visible
by turning on the keeper, who is the
switch.

Rays of thought filter down through the
fiberglass,
which is the brain evolved from eons
of life
and knowing that nothing is known by
those
who know they know nothing of knowing,
though
these rays seem predestined to terminate
by fusing
with the tangled fiberglass web, making
the mind a fragile thing.

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Kim Ketelson

This & That . . .

Misery Is ! ! !

Misery is representing Stassen in a mock election.
Misery is working all night on three chemistry problems and the teacher not taking them in the next day.
Misery is not having 15¢ for slack day.
Misery is complimenting your teacher on her patterned stockings and finding out she isn't wearing stockings.
Misery is finding your steady's old love letters in her purse and seeing that they are dated last week.
Misery is leaning over the stove to light your cigarette and having your bangs catch on fire.
Misery is telling your friend that her new dress would look fine if she held her stomach in and finding that she already is.
Misery is deciding to write a letter and remembering that you smoked your pen.
Misery is asking your father to turn on the radio in the car and then having to listen to KHAK.
Misery is having your date sitting with her seat belt fastened . . . in the back seat.
Misery is meeting the coach at a stoplight at 2:00 a.m.
Misery is making a dress in Home Ec. and having everyone ask you if you made your dress in Home Ec.
Misery is copying a 2,000 word theme in peacock blue ink and running out of ink on the last page.
Misery is staying home from school to sleep and being pestered all day so you can't.

BEACH

The sky,
Its infinite blueness an eternal canopy:
How often has someone
Looked into those starry eyes
and wondered, as I?

The sea,
Moody master of a watery realm:
How many have felt
His moist caress
and wondered, like me?

The sand:
A thousand million grains of thought
Scattered on a sun-drenched soul,
star-struck,
sea-swept,
Wonderful.

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Marita Frajman

Meredith Wilson Honors

High School Performers

Meredith Willson, Iowa-born composer of *The Music Man*, will perform at Coe Auditorium at 8 PM, May 30th, in conjunction with a special awards program honoring outstanding high school drama students from the Cedar Rapids area. Meredith Willson's appearance and the awards program are sponsored by the Theater Assistance Guild of the Cedar Rapids Community Theater. Immediately after his performance Willson will participate in the presentation of awards from the stage. These will include two scholarships for Cedar Rapids students who plan further study in drama and have shown promise in some phase of the art. Nominees for scholarship awards will be made by the participating high school drama directors. Additional awards will go to the outstanding male and female performers in a dramatic work; to the outstanding male and female performers in a musical; and to the outstanding production of the year. A number of other categories will receive honorable mention. Tickets for Meredith Willson's performance and the awards program are on sale at Armstrong's and Killian's in Cedar Rapids. General admission-\$2.00; reserved section-\$3.00.

Meredith Willson was born in Mason City in 1902. In later life his birthplace became the famed "River City" of *The Music Man*, the successful Broadway production that ran for 1376 performances and was made into a motion picture starring Robert Preston and Shirley Jones. Willson has written two other Broadway musicals-*The Unsinkable Molly Brown* and *Here's Love*. He is currently at work on a new musical entitled, "1491". The title refers to the year before Columbus discovered America.

Guests Of

Homemaking Department

The Homemaking Department has been busily demonstrating its culinary skills in the past few weeks as a result of the meal planning unit they have been studying. On Wednesday, April 10, Miss Rhinehart, a representative from the Iowa Electric Light and Power Company, visited the home economics classes to demonstrate the basic features and the unique qualities of the electric stove. Similarly, on the following day, Miss Severson of the Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company presented the fundamentals of the gas stove. Many students lingered about the home ec doors those two days as the sweet aroma of hot-baked rolls issued from the room. Mrs. Lund, the head of the department also planned several other activities in connection with the cooking unit. The senior girls had fun experiencing a Vegetable Day, and all four classes enjoyed treating the faculty members to the fruits of their meal preparation efforts.

Attention

College Bound Senior Girls!

College-bound senior girls who are interested in knowing about sororities will have an opportunity to learn about the Greek societies at an information party April 30 being given by the Cedar Rapids City Panhellenic Association. It will be held at 3:15 in the school cafeteria. Pepsi will be served.

Mrs. David Hubly, a Panhellenic representative, in her talk, "Speaking of Sororities", will briefly explain the rushing system, eligibility, quotas, what a sorority offers the incoming freshman, and what a sorority expects of its members.

A question and answer period will follow. All interested senior girls are encouraged to attend.

Counselor's

Office Busy

The counselor's office is bustling with activity with the end of the year and graduation drawing near. Trades and Industry Night was held April 3 at Area Ten in Cedar Rapids and approximately twelve MHS students attended.

About fourteen Marion High students will be attending Health Career Day at St. Lukes Hospital on April 27. Veisha at Iowa State University in Ames will have six students participating. Veisha is to be held May 3 and 4. Along with these events, senior students are continuing their career and college days by making plans--making out applications, talking to college representatives and visiting college campuses.

Marion High students are in contact with these colleges: William Penn, Buena Vista, Westmar, Wartburg, Upper Iowa, Waldorf, Milwaukee School of Engineering, and Area Ten.

College bound juniors have been given the National Merit Qualifying Test and will take the ACT test in May.

If you are looking for a summer job employment may be available through the employment service in Cedar Rapids. The counselors urge students to contact the employment service or them if they seek help in obtaining a summer job.

The counselors are working on the graduate follow-up study which includes 1965, 66, and the 67 graduating classes. The following are the main purposes of the study:

To help our school determine what graduates of the past three years are actually doing;

To determine what kinds of occupations our graduates enter after graduating from school;

To obtain opinions of graduates as to how our school could better prepare them for their future.

There will be a senior survey made concerning the plans of the 1968 graduating class.

Perhaps Mr. Morrow's favorite quotation will be of some help to those who are looking ahead to a new future.



"Where on earth is the largest active volcano?"

One of the twin peaks of Mauna Loa on the Island of Hawaii rates that superlative. Although it is topped in height by Mauna Kea of the same island, Mauna Loa is most massive volcanic mountain in the world.

"Which of all the birds lays the largest eggs?" is the query from Mrs. H. K.

None tops the ostrich whose eggs may be as much as eight inches long and weigh as much as three pounds!

Laura S. writes: "Someone told me that a stick in a glass of water appears bent because light travels slower under water. Is this true?"

The difference of light's speed in two transparent substances causes it to bend. The stick's image, coming through water, has a slightly different direction than the image out of water. This bending is called refraction.

7 out of 10 people hunting for jobs have finished school.

If you haven't, stay there.



In Memory

Of Roy Meier

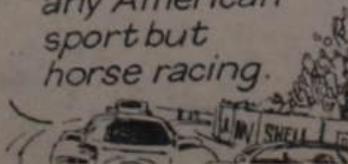


The Muffled drum's sad roll has beat
The soldier's last tattoo;
No more on Life's parade shall meet
That brave and fallen few.
On Fame's eternal camping-ground
Their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards, with solemn round,
The bivouac of the dead.

Rest on, embalmed and sainted dead!
Dear as the blood ye gave;
No impious footstep here shall tread
The herbage of your grave;
Nor shall your glory be forgot
While Fame her record keeps,
Or Honor points the hallowed spot
Where Valor proudly sleeps.

Theodore O'Hara

AUTO
RACING
draws more paid spectators than any American sport but horse racing.



SPORTS ---

Track Season Off To Fine Start



HURDLES Alan Morehead



POLE VAULT Roger Rollins



DISCUS THROW Mike Hebert



RELAYS Lon Ledvina

GOLF . . .

Although the track season has just begun, the Indians are breaking all kinds of records. Marion only managed to pick up three points at the State Indoor Track Meet, but have placed second in their last two meets. Marion placed second

behind Independence by six points at a five team meet at Marion, and was beaten again by Independence by fourteen points at the Tipton relays. In these meets the Indians have broken records in the mile relay, discus and 440

relay. The mile relay team broke the existing record at Tipton with a time of 3:32.5 which bettered the old record by nearly three seconds. Mike Hebert keeps throwing the discus farther as he has already shattered his last year's record twice this season. In other events the trackmen are pulling up fast

on standing records. Jerry Zikmund should better the old shot put mark very soon. Jim Simpson is closing in on the broad jump record and Lon Ledvina is moving in on the mile run record

slowly but surely and the school mile relay and mile medley relay may fall soon. This year's track team is really a good one, and one that should have an excellent chance of capping the Wa Mac meet in May.



This year Marion has two fine teams scheduled for the spring contests. The history of the golf team is short; Mr. Beemblossom will probably have

formed a very good team by the end of their season. Led by such athletes as Dan and Stu Ciha, and Gary Armstrong,

the golf team should be a good one. The track team is definitely one of Mr. Skilling's best. The team is headed

by seniors, Jim Simpson, Paul Nelson, Steve Tuthill, Skip Smith, Greg Beck, Lon Ledvina, Mark Bennett, Junior

hopefuls are Mike Hebert, Jerry Zikmund, Al Morehead, and Kevin Schott. The

sophomores also contribute much to the team with Greg Morris, John

Parks, Tom Yuva, Dan Balster, and Rick Danford. Many records are expected to fall this season, including

some of the twelve year old records set in 1956 by Ron Altenberg. The

records most likely to fall are in discus (Mike Hebert should better his own mark), shot put (Jerry Zikmund), mile relay, and a mile medley relay and 440 relay.

One fact is sure. Both teams will have good seasons with their fine list of personnel.