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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The high school glee clubs presented their annual Christmas program Wednesday night, December 15.

The program consisted of selections by a violin trio, Alberta Bunner, Florence Longsdorff, and Miss Grabb followed by a symposium of Christmas carols called "Christmas Through the Ages", presented by the glee clubs. The ways of celebrating Christmas in other countries were given by means of a story read by Eva Albert while the following people illustrated it through song: James Eakle, Louise Miller, Lois Johnson, and Paul Gregory, Bonnie Jean Reiter, Verna Clary, Billy Schultz, J. W. Holman, John L. Hoffman, Floyd Clary, Lloyd Clary, Francis Agee, Evelyn Reynolds, Betty Lienhart, Dorothy Cooper, Eileen Stonebraker, Annalou McGuire, Mary Vree, Nigel Osburn, Glenn Query, Robert Cox, John Roy Bennett, Billy Elliot, Roy Miller, Myrna Morgan, and Robert Lienhart.

The chorus included Viva Malone, Allene Jones, Mary Ashford, Ruth Leach, Dorothy Bowden, Florence Longsdorff, Margaret Thompson, Jeanne Thompson, Virginia Johnson, Rosalie Leach, Alice Hastings, Josephine Lanter, Betty Breighner, Alberta Cotton,
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HI-Y BOYS TO ELGIN

On the morning of December 3, four Hi-Y members drove to Elgin to attend the State Older Boys' Conference there. The conference was held December 3, 4, and 5. Registration began at 1:00 and an afternoon session followed. They attended two banquets, one Friday night and the other Saturday night. The boys all stayed with people who had offered their homes to them during the conference.

The boys had their choice of attending any one of several round-table discussion meetings. They returned home Sunday evening about 6:00. Those attending were Lloyd Clary, Robert Lienhart, John Roy Bennett, and John Breckelmeier.

INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

A group of agricultural boys and Mr. Henscy attended the International Livestock show at Chicago on Monday and Tuesday, November 29 and 30. They made the trip on the Green Diamond, the first time for most of them. Besides visiting the stock show they went through a meat packing plant, attended the theater, ate dinner at the famous Black Hawk Restaurant, went through several large stores, and rode on the Escalator.
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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM (Cont'd)

Jane Lyons, Norine Chaudoin, Rosalie Perry, Evelyn Bricker, Aileen Pennypacker, Elva Austin, Harriett Morgan, Helen Atkins, Eileen Westerman, Eleanor Rainey, Alberta Bunner, Wanda Reed, Lena Tolby, and Vanetta Caldwell.

INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION (Cont'd)

John Perkins, who had gone to Chicago during the Thanksgiving holidays, met them when they arrived and returned home with them. The boys enjoyed the trip so much that they are counting on doing it again next year.

Those who made the trip were Robert Lienhart, Thomas Marlatt, Glenn Query, Harold Johnson, Keith Brett, Kenneth Riley, Bob Rainey, Dale Miller, Leland Montgomery, and Billy Schultz.

VACATION

It's the longest vacation in the history of M. C. H. S. Well, maybe it isn't the longest but it is long. Two weeks and two days. Now I ask you isn't that swell. That's right, from Friday the 17th until Monday the 3rd. We'll be free as the breeze. I guess we should thank the board for that. I don't know whether they wanted to get rid of us for a few days or if they thought we deserved a long vacation, but we don't care much now what they thought, because we got what we

wanted.

Thanks to everyone who helped us get this, shall I say treat, we surely think it's swell and we'll work harder than ever before when we come back-- Next Year.

THE HOOSIER SCHOOLMASTER

The Hoosier Schoolmaster by Edward Eggleston, a talkie moving picture, was shown in the high school gym Thursday evening, December 2. Also a comedy and short selections were shown.

It was a picture which proved to be very good and interesting. A fair sized crowd came to enjoy the evening.

Let's give these movies our support.

ONE-ACT PLAYS

The County Association voted to hold a competitive program this spring consisting of one act plays. All seven schools of the county will put on a one act play, one group to be held
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Lena Hoge
J. W. Holman

Harold Johnson
Lois Johnson
Allene Jones
Josephine Lanter
Robert Lionhart

Second

Lois Moryman
Mary Wendling

THE LOST JUNGLE

The movie, "The Lost Jungle", was shown Thursday night, December 9, in the high school auditorium. Due to disagreeable weather, few attended the show; however it was shown to the students in the afternoon and was a real thriller.

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at Warrensburg, March 25, and the second to be held at Macon, April 1. At the second meeting there will be a musical program consisting of a mass chorus of boys and girls from all schools of the county. Outside judges will be selected to judge the contest. Each play is to be about twenty-five minutes in length. Our school will compete in the March 25 meeting at Warrensburg.

HISTORY CLASS ORGANIZATIONS

The two American history classes have organized and selected committees to choose educational movies to be shown in class.

Each student is charged two cents a movie which is used to pay for the transportation costs for the film.

Because our school is a member of the Motion Picture Bureau of the Y. M. C. A. we can get these educational movies free except for the transportation cost. The chairmen and the committees are as follows:

6th Hour Class

Chairman--Bob Cox
Treasurer--John Perkins
Alberta Bunner
Geraldine Hartsock
J. W. Holman
Margaret Thompson

5th Hour Class

Chairman--Mildred Bricker
Treasurer--Eva Albert
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Margaret Brown
Paul Gregory
Annalou McGuire

These committees will take turns in selecting the movies.

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Nina Miller
Wanda Reed
Harold Wilkey

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Robert Fawcett
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EPWORTH LEAGUE INSTITUTE

The Epworth League of the Maroa Methodist Church has been attending the mid-year group institute. The meetings were held on Monday evenings at Weldon, Heyworth, Monticello, Maroa, Cisco, and Deland. After a short opening service, everyone went to classes. Next was the evening watch service led by the pastors of the different churches. After this a social hour and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

The evening Maroa entertained there were forty present from Maroa and the largest delegation. An average of twenty-four people attended the institute meeting from here. From all the towns about one hundred and thirty were present.

The last meeting, December 6, was a banquet at Deland. This furnished a quite suitable close for the institute.

4-H PARTY

A number of 4-Her's held the first of their Party-a-Month meetings on November 22, at the home of Isabel Ferrill.

It was entirely a Thanksgiving party with Thanksgiving decorations and games which were enjoyed by all.

Refreshments of sandwiches, fruit salad, and cocoa were served by the hosts and hostesses-- Donald Palliam, Mr. Kency, Mrs. Leach, and Isabel Ferrill.

STANDARD BEARERS

On Tuesday evening, November 9, several Standard Bearer girls met at the home of Eleanor Rainey. The meeting opened by singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Elva Austin, the president, conducted the business meeting. The devotions were led by Mildred Bricker and Rosemary Streight. The program was a play representing a Moslem school presented by Ruth Leach and Virginia Shaw. Mrs. Keyes explained the year's work.

Mohammedan games were played and enjoyed. Dainty refreshments of cranberry salad, sandwiches, and grape juice were served by the hostesses, Eleanor Rainey and Norma Friis.

SURPRISE PARTY

Wednesday, Dec. 8, a number of friends pleasantly surprised Norma Friis in honor of her sixteenth birthday. The evening was spent in playing bunco, with Kenneth Ferrill and Eleanor Rainey winning travelers' prizes, Lois Johnson and Eva Albert, respectively, winning high and low prizes for the girls, and Kenneth Ferrill and Duane Brett, respectively, winning high and low prizes for the boys. Those present were: Eva Albert, Florence Longsdorff, Lois Johnson, Virginia Johnson, Lesene Weisel, Verna Clary, Eleanor Rainey, Mary Cummins, Evelyn Friis, Floyd Clary, Lloyd Clary, Kenneth Ferrill, Marion Vaughn, Robert Rainey, Duane Brett, and John Perkins.



WHO'S

WHO

When a tall, handsome boy is elected president of the junior class, it seems quite natural. But when, without much hesitation of the class, he is elected president of the same class the following year, when they are seniors --well, we just wonder.

This young man who has been thus chosen came to Maroa High School as a mere freshman just like all other freshman--searching for knowledge. After getting settled to the curriculum of the high school, he began taking part in activities and clubs, and it wasn't long until his name was among the list of members in almost every club and organization in the high school.

Every year he has played on the football and basketball teams. Already this year he has helped us win several football games

and two basketball games, and we feel sure there will be several more which he will have helped to win.

When a freshman he was treasurer of his class. In his junior year, besides being president of his class, he was vice president of Hi-Y.

As a member of glee club he has helped in the operettas and cantatas given at the high school. We all know he is good on the stage. He proved it by playing his part well in the junior play last year.

He may be found at almost any of the social activities at the high school.

Besides all these other things he has kept up his scholarship during the past three and a half years of high school life.

We all know who he is so let's give three big cheers for Robert Cox--known to us as "T. R.'s Boy".

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ALUMNI & EXCHANGE

Kenneth Ferril is employed at Woolworth's in Decatur.

Leon Riley, class of '34, is in the Marines in San Pedro, California.

Bernice Bourne was home from St. John's Nurse's Training School for Thanksgiving.

Ruth Milnes was home from Normal for Thanksgiving.

Miss Helen Dean was married to Cheshier Sidener Friday, October 29 in Methodist parsonage in Decatur. She is a graduate of M.C.H.S. with the class of 1934. They will live in Decatur.

Miss Mildred Hoff and John Meador, class of 1934, were married November 13 in Indiana.

Miss Martha Louise Horton, Albuquerque, New Mexico and Roy Stoutcnborough were married October 14 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Miss Harriette E. Bunner and Herbert A. Dady were married October 1 in the First Methodist Church of Crawfordsville, Indiana, by Reverend Paul L. Benedict. Miss Alberta Bunner and Raymond E. Dady were attendants and the only

guests present at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Dady went to Chicago for a wedding trip.

Miss Wilma Shoemaker gave an announcement party November 26 and November 27. Mrs. Charles Anderson, formerly Bette Adams, of Clinton gave a shower for the bride in her home.

The couple will make their home in 1023 West Macon Street. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dady are employed at the Decatur Coffin Co.

EXCHANGE

The Margol

Saturday, October 30 was a big day for the members of the Clinton band. At that time they took four first prizes in Class B of the band marching contest at Normal, Ill. The other contestant in Class B was Normal high school.

A very proud student body congratulated Mr. Sarig and the band for the fine showing at Normal.

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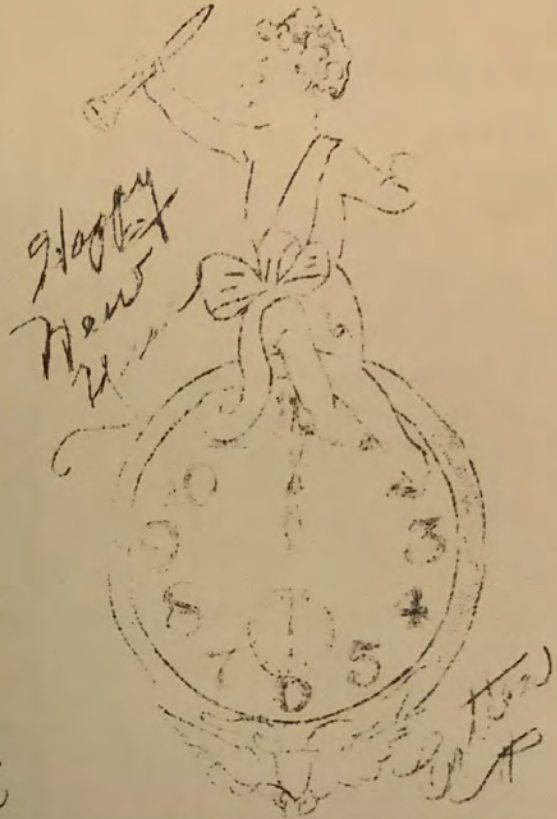
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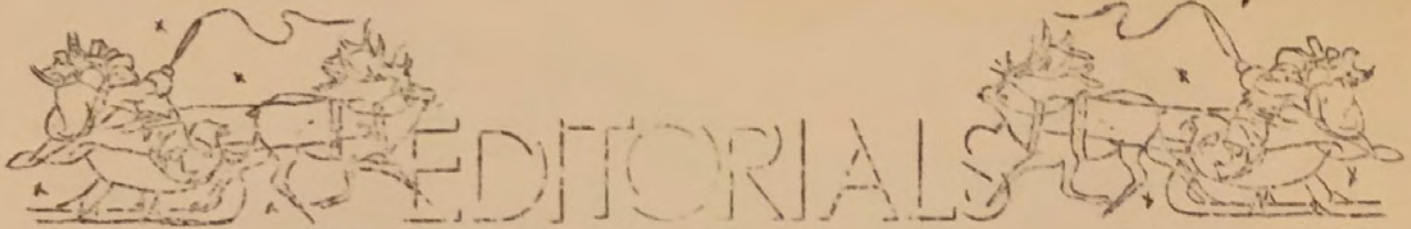


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- Myrna Morgan
- Eleanor Rainey
- Bernadine Thomas
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SUPERSTITIONS THAT SOURED

Mrs. Willimore Trotter Jones of Madison, Ga., has found and saved thousands of four-leaf clovers. Nevertheless, she has been in five automobile wrecks, has lost three husbands, and has suffered so many misfortunes that her neighbors call her "Calamity Jane." --Denver News

Mrs. Neville Coleman refused to eat at a table set for thirteen people. She waited until the rest were through, and then sat down alone. Halfway through the

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meal, she was stricken with a fatal heart attack.--N.Y. Times (A.P.)

Lightning struck the barn of John Ingram, of Sheridan, Ark., destroying the structure and two mules. Putting faith in the old saw that lightning never strikes twice in the same place, Ingram rebuilt the barn in the same location. Four weeks later lightning again struck the barn, and destroyed it and the new mules. --Baltimore Sun(A.P.)

General Emilio Mola, second in command with the Spanish Rebels, was killed in an airplane crash. When peasants picked him up, they found he was in his stocking feet. A brother officer explained that a Gypsy had once told the General he would die with his boots on, and he therefore always took his shoes off when in an airplane.

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Give me wisdom and give me strength to meet these situations. Replenish my diminishing supply of courage, faith, cheerfulness, tolerance, and sincerity which I so need in my regular rounds of work. Give me those characteristics which will make people see me as a friend and a helper. Give me sweetness and serenity and the ability to bring sunlight and joy into my daily contacts.

This a large order, but I know that your marvelous powers are expansive enough to include the wants of a demanding person, and that you will not be discouraged by these requests of the spirit as you were not discouraged by the requests for dolls and games and toys of a little girl. And please, Santa Claus, at last, could you find a magic formula that would make of me just the kind of person I would like to be?

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You ate my jelly,
And cinnamon buns
And chatted of politics,
Labor and guns.

You let the hand,
Of my grandfather clock,
Circle three times,
And you mentioned my frock.

You talked of music,
And then hummed for me,
The score of a comedy,
I ought to see.

When you were leaving,
You rapped at the pane,
And motioned to show,
It was starting to rain.

So how could I guess,
As I bolted the door,
That maybe you wouldn't
Be back any more?

How could I tell,
That a know had been broken?
Good-bye is a word,
That should always be spoken!

AT CHRISTMAS

A man is at his finest towards the
finish of the year;

He is almost what he should be when
the Christmas season's here;
Then he's thinking more of others
that he's thought the months before,
And the laughter of his children
a joy worth toiling for.
He is less a selfish creature than
at any other time;
When the Christmas spirit rules him
he comes close to the sublime.

Man is over in a struggle and he's
oft misunderstood;
There are days the worst that's in
him is the master of the good,
But at Christmas kindness rules
him and he puts himself aside
And his petty hates are vanquished
and his heart is opened wide.
Oh, I don't know how to say it,
but somehow it seems to me
That at Christmas man is almost
what God sent him here to be.

----Author unknown

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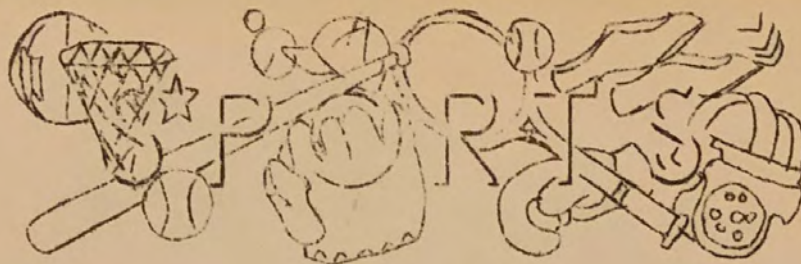
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MAROA OPENS SEASON WITH VICTORY

The 1937-38 Blue & Gold hardwood squad blew the lid off this season's schedule Tuesday, Nov. 30, against the strong Blue Mound team over M.C.H.S. The team started with the good old Blue & Gold spirit, by making a score of 29-18 in our favor.

Maroa (29)			Blue Mound (18)		
	G.	F.		G.	F.
Gregory, F	2	6	Forand, F	4	0
Braden, F	0	0	Gordan, F	0	0
Lentz, F	0	1	Berks, F	0	0
Thrift, F	0	0	Johnson, C	3	0
Cox, F	6	3	Hoppe, G	2	0
Pulliam, G	1	0	Sweazy, G	0	0
Perkins, G	2	1			
Eakle G	1	0			
			9 0		

Totals 12 5

Score by periods:

Maroa	9	4	8	8	--	29
Blue Mound	6	3	9	0	--	18

MAROA WHIPS HAMMOND 33-32

The Blue and Gold comets played a very emotional game at Hammond, Friday night, Dec. 3. But a score of 33-32, one point ahead, doesn't satisfy Coach England. He is making all efforts to make a better team.

Maroa (33)			Hammond (32)		
	G.	F.		G.	F.
Cox, F	6	5	Foreman, F	6	2
Gregory, F	2	2	Nickelson, F	0	0
Pulliam, C	2	0	Conner, F	1	1
Rainey, G	0	0	Hale, F	0	1
Eakle, G	2	0	Helfrich, C	1	3
Perkins, G	0	2	Cowden, G	1	0
			Hoyt, G	1	0
			Roberts, G		
			Ferguson, G		
			Lowc, G		

Referee--Mcans--Eureks

HEYWORTH VISITS MAROA WITH VICTORY

Dec. 4, Heyworth become a visitor of the M.C.H.S. team. The gym was crowded, and the crowd witnessed a very exciting game,

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which Maroa lost by just one basket.

Heyworth (26)		Maroa (24)	
G.	F.	G.	F.
Lott, f	2	Cox, f	1
Curmer,	1	Gregory, f	2
Pelty, c	1	Pulliam, c	2
Nallia, g	5	Perkins, f	0
Parkay, g	1	Eakle, g	4
Muller, g	0	Thrift, g	0
Walton, g	0		
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10	6	9	6

Score by periods:

Heyworth	8	3	6	9--26
Maroa	4	6	7	7--24

Referee--Hoover (Lovington)

MAROA LOSES TO ARGENTA

Maroa (19)		Argenta (29)	
G	F	G	F
Gregory, f	3	Rettke, f	2
Cox, f	1	Craig, f	0
Pulliam, c	0	Edwards, f	2
Perkins, g	2	Heinz, c	7
Eakle, g	2	Nedson, g	0
Braden, g	0	Ross, g	0
		Walker, g	0
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Totals	8	12	5

Score by periods:

Argenta	3	15	5	6--29
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Maroa 4 2 5 6--17
Referee--Cutlip (Leroy)

Warrensburg is Victorious
over Maroa

Friday night, Dec. 10, at
Warrensburg, Maroa was not the
victor but showed a very interest-
ing and exciting game. Warrens-
burg became the high scorer by 2
points. (27) (25).

Warrensburg (27)		Maroa (25)	
G	F	G	F
Manes, f	4	Gregory, f	1
Dudbrow, f	0	Cox, f	2
Robbins, f	4	Pulliam, c	3
Keister, f	0	Braden, g	1
Major, c	1	Vaughn, g	0
Batchel'r, gl	1	Raincy, g	0
McGrath, g	1	Thrift, g	1
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Total	11	8	9

Score by periods:

Warrensburg	7	7	5	8--27
Maroa	7	3	12	3--25

Referee--Car (Decatur)

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Feelings, moods, desires to accomplish are products of a complex state of glandular and nervous condition.

It takes a high degree of intelligence and conscious effort to overcome fatigue and it takes much more of the same thing to maintain an effective moral in the face of highly competitive activities such as basketball.

At first a basketball player experiences a high degree of exhilaration as he faces the first few games--then the keen edge or thrill is lost and it takes all the coaches efforts and those of the student body to pull them through. We appreciate the fine support of our pep committee and cheering sections--so here I wish to say with your continued help we will do our best to come through.

---Coach England

The Pep Committee is again under way with its pep assemblies under the leadership of Evelyn Reynolds. The publicity committee consists of: Ralph Mashburn, Harriett Morgan, DeNial Vaughn, Bill Bradon, and Wanda Reed. We meet once a week to plan assemblies for Friday. On week days we have our pep assemblies with yells and songs, under the leadership of our cheer leaders, Myrna Morgan, Harriett Morgan, Bill Elliot, and Roy Miller.

The assembly given by the pep committee on Friday, November was an old and very well-known story acted out--"The Three Little Pigs". The characters were:

1st little pig--Rollo Crouch, representing Blue Mound
2nd little pig--Bomber, representing Hammond
3rd little pig--La Verne Cotten, representing Maroa
The Big Bad Wolf--Paul Gregory, representing Hoyworth

Following the story as closely as possible, Blue Mound tries to build his house of straw, and Hammond the second little pig, tries to build his of sticks. They are in turn defeated and "blown down" by the wolf. When the wolf comes to the brick house of Maroa, he is not able to blow it down, but instead--Hoyworth is defeated by Maroa!

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despair, experience failures, wear
and tear;

They must rouse their spirits
from defeat

And prepare next week some
stronger foe to meet;

Must battle on, though bruised
and sore

Often failing by inches to
make that winning score.

They must cope with provokes
unafraid;

Always try to rise from costly
blunders made;

Try to rally shattered lines
and then

See them broken down again,
They must fight through thick

and thin

Takes greater courage than
to win

In such boys there is true
valor, win or lose;

They have no meanly challenge
refused

They brave the blows, and
though sometimes denied

The sweets that victories
provide;

They still go forth with eyes
a gleam:

That's why I hail the boys
of an athletic team.

---Edgar Guest

WHY WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

I've called them cream puffs,
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"Minnie, why do you yell and scream so? Play quietly like Tommy. See, he doesn't make a sound."

"Of course, he doesn't. That is our game. He is Papa coming home late, and I am you."

"Does beauty fade away, Mama?"

"Yes, dear."

"Well, why doesn't my governess fade? I heard Daddy tell her she was a beauty."

"She'll fade away tomorrow, dear."

Doctor: "What kind of nurse do you want?"

Victim: "Did you wire for my wife?"

Doctor: "Yes, we did."

Victim: "Then a homely nurse will do."

Author: "Have you seen the new play I wrote about the couple who were always quarreling?"

Neighbor: "No, but I heard you and your wife rehearsing it."

Hostess: "Will you have some fresh mushrooms?"

Mr. Swan: "Yes, if you're quite sure they're mushrooms and not toadstools."

Hostess: "Oh, I'm quite sure. I opened the can myself."

J. W. H.: "People living together get to look alike."

Elva: "Here's your ring. I won't take the chance."

Traffic cop to girl: "Where's the fire?"

Fair Speeder: "In your eyes, you great, big, gorgeous patrolman."

Herman M.: "Do you like spinach?"

Mary V.: "No, I don't like spinach, and I'm glad I don't like it, for

if I did, I'd eat it, and I hate the darn stuff."

He: "Last night I dreamed that I married the most beautiful woman in the world."

Aileen P.: "How lovely! And were we happy?"

A country woman went to the barracks to see her son, who had joined some time before and as his name was Smith, it was difficult to locate him. The sergeant on guard said to the woman: "There's a Smith in the officers mess. I wonder if that's he?"

"Yes, that's 'im," said Mrs. N. Smith.

"Why, what makes you think so?" said the sergeant.

"Well," said Mrs. N. Smith, "E was always in some mess or another when he was at 'ome so it's 'im right enough."

An American playwright noticed her negro maid pause in her cleaning of the apartment to pick up the manuscript of a new and very much unsold play. The girl read for a minute and then broke into hilarious laughter. Naturally much pleased, the playwright asked what passage had struck her as so funny. "No passage at all, missy, no passage at all," replied the domestic. "It just don't take much to make me laugh."

She was purchasing her spring seeds for her garden, and her questioning was boring the salesman to the point of exasperation. "And oh, by the way," Bertie Cotton continued, "what is a hardy rose?" "A hardy rose, madam," replied the

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seedsman, Sam Pulliam slowly, is one that will allow you to dig it up every morning and night to see if it is taking root!"

"What are you knitting, dear?"
"I really don't know, darling, I've lost the instructions."

Bob Cox: Clarence told me that the local hospital was built entirely at his expense. Is it possible?
J. L. Hoffman: Well, his uncle cut him off with a shilling and left the rest of his money to build the hospital.

Two girls were having a tremendous argument.

"My daddy's a mounted policeman," said B. Lienhart, "he rides a horse all day."

"That's no better than being an ordinary policeman like my daddy," said V. Johnson.

"Oh, but it is!" said B. Lienhart. "If there's any trouble he can get away quicker."

"What did you give your baby for his first birthday?" asked Mrs. Richards.

"We opened his money-box," replied her friend, "and gave him a lovely electric iron."

"Was my father very violent when you asked if you could marry me?" asked E. Austin.

"Was he! He nearly wrung my hand off!" answered J. W. Holman

J. Eaklo was called up before the judge.

"What, you here again? Aren't you ashamed to be seen in here?" asked the judge.

"Oh, no!" replied J. Eaklo. "What's good enough for you is good enough for me."

"Well, Carter, aren't you going out to play this afternoon?" asked B. Elliot.

"No, I've got to stay at home and help father with my homework." replied P. Carter.

The daughter was in the middle of her singing lesson when her mother came into the room. She listened for a moment or two, and then broke in-----

"Oh--er--how is my daughter getting on? D'you think she will make a great singer?"

The teacher coughed and seemed at a loss for a reply.

"It's--it's very hard to say," he said at last.

"But surely she possesses some of the qualifications?"

"Well--er--she's got a mouth, certainly!"

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Bob Cox--a list of all the girls
in Illinois, age 8--16.
Mr. Keyes--box of raisins and
shredded cocconut.
Miss Johnson--cock book.
Dorothy Bowden--riding habit, with
or without a horse.
Johnnie Perkins--a good excuse to
get out of 5th hour study
hall.
Jr. Smith--shaving mug, brush,
razor.
Miss Zelle--pair of ski shoes,
size 7; or a foul, preferably
a _____.
Bill Schultz--a new set of laughs
and giggles.
Mr. Henscy--another trip to
Chicago on the Green Diamond.
Coach--a musical rattle, a ball,
some blocks, a toot-toot
train and --oh, these are
not for myself, they're for
the baby.
Raymond Pulliam--Allen Patterson
out of the way so I can
pursue my courtship with
Betty Breighner.
Myrna Morgan--two more games at
Warrensburg (she has that
old feeling that the third
time's charm. So far the
score is nothing to love.)

Viva Malone--that new song hit
Bobby, Bobby, Bobby, Bobby
in the Fordy, Fordy, Fordy.
Fordy waiting for you.
Mr. Swan--a new Physics class.
Margaret Brown--a great big
dolly named "Handy".
Alberta Bunner--a book of etiquet
John Roy Bennett--a letter from
Leroy on Sunday too.
LaVerno Cotton--a little brunette
dolly with a red hat.
Miss Ulmer--a waterproof fur coat
to wear for evening at the
cafes in nearby towns.
Mildred Faber--a silver fox.
Bernadine Thomas--a note book.
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Barber: "What's the matter?
Ain't the razor takin' holt?"
Mr. Henscy: "Yeah, it's taking
holt all right but it ain't
lettin' go again."

"With all due reverence,
my boy, I really think our Eng-
lish custom at the telephone is
better than saying, 'Hello', as
you do over her in the United
States."
J.L.H.: "What do you say in Eng-
land?"
"We say, 'Are you there?'
Then, of course, if you are not
there there is no use in going
on with the conversation."

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Mr. England--"My razor. It doesn't cut at all."
Mrs. England--"Don't be silly. Your beard can't be tougher than linoleum."

Paul Carder--"Can I have a piece of pie?"
Mother--"No, that's final and no argument."
Paul C.--"All right, no argument, remember--I've already taken a piece."

Louise Miller--"I wonder what causes the flight of time."
Eva Albert--"It's probably urged on by the spur of the moment."

Mrs. Keyes--"Come off that polished floor, at once."
Plumber--"Don't worry, Ma'am; I can't slip--my shoes have got spikes in 'em, Ma'am."

John Perkins--"What's my temperature?"
Doc.--"Hundred and three."
John--"What's the world's record?"

M. Vaughn, who had been told by his mother not to use "ain't" heard his brother say the word. He ran to his mother and exclaimed, "Mother, DeNial says, It ain't, but it isn't ain't, is it? It's isn't, ain't it?"

Don't worry; if your work is hard, And your rewards are few. Remember that the mighty oak, Was once a nut like you.

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One summer H. Hockaday was visiting his grandmother in the country. He went out to feed the chickens and saw a turkey all fluffed up and strutting around. He yelled: "Grandma! Grandma! One of your chickens is in bloom."

Bob Cox--"This dance hall is certainly crowded."
V. Caldwell--"I'll say so. A half hour ago I fainted, and I had to dance around for four times before I could fall!"

Hotel Manager--"Do you want the porter to call you?"
Paul G.--"No thanks, I awake every morning at seven."
Manager--"Then do you mind calling the porter?"

Mother: "Bobby, what are you hunting for?"
Bob P.: "Nothing."
Mother: "You'll find it in the jar where the cookies were."

Agent: "Just what kind of a hired man would you hire?"
John P.: "Well, I'd have to have one that had big feet until I can get time to fix the holes in the hayrack."

Martha: "I wonder where my watch is. Oh, I remember. I left it upstairs."
Virginia: "Well, it will run down."
Martha: "Not on your life. I've got a winding staircase."

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Dear Agatha,

Brrrr! Gee, but it is cold out this evening. The wind is just a-howling and oh how the snow is blowing. That doesn't worry me tho' because I've been sitting here in front of the fireplace reading the Blue and Gold News. I wish you could see the society page not only that page but all of it. There is certainly a lot in it about your old classmates and mine too. From the way things read I guess everything is going fine with all of them. I just had to write to you and tell you about some of the things I've been reading.

At the very top of the page it tells about a bunch of ag students that went to Chicago to the International. I guess they had a pretty good time; anyway you should have seen Johnny P. play basketball the evening he came home. They have decided to send him to Chicago before every basketball game. It's pretty good when the chaperon of the bunch fell for the stewardess on the Green Diamond.

You know, Aggie, we have a new boy in high school. He just came in last week and he is sure making a hit. There is a little humorous note on the joke page of the News telling about his taking Breighner home one nite and walking N. Cooper home the other evening. Wonder why he doesn't make up his mind. Or is he like the rest of our other M.C.H.S. boys? Maybe Betty can't make up her mind either because Pete H. took her home one nite, and I believe Louise M. was quite disappointed that she wasn't in Betty's place.

In our basketball news there are several cute articles. You

know our basketball game (the 1st one) was quite a success. We certainly started out on the right foot and so did Myrna. The next day she was so sleepy in school she didn't know whether she was attending classes or not. I have a sneaking suspicion it was because Jack P. kept her out to late the nite before. But you know yourself, Aggie, how hard it is to get in early. I'm telling you, Aggie, these freshman boys aren't so dumb or slow either. Anyway they certainly know how to get their girl--nearly. John Crocker asked Mary A. for a date Nov. 30. That was the Tuesday nite of our 1st game, I believe. I don't think Johnnie was successful that time, but he asked her again the other day, and I believe she refused again. You never did refuse twice in succession, did you?

One of the cutest articles in the News is "Cotton Makes Hit". You should see him with those cheer leaders. He even rates a seat right next to them. He was doing right well with the Blue Mound girls too. He says he has

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one in every town, but finally at last he has one in Maroa. Guess who? Our new beauty operator. He took her to the show, "Lost Horizon". Oh, excuse me for changing the subject so quick, but I've just got to tell you before I forget it. Can you possibly imagine him to be taken for a preacher's son. He sure had some of the girls fooled at an Epworth League banquet the other evening. And I wonder too why there are so many of our boys attending the banquets. I have heard there are some pretty good looking girls attend those also.

The other day I asked Jimmy B. what he would do if he got locked in the school some nite. He just said, "Oh, I'd break out with the measles". And sure enough he did. He wasn't locked in anyplace, but he must have thought he was. He and Sam both have them and then Paul G. caught them. I think Margo C. started the game of having them.

You know too, Agatha, I heard the other day that Vic W. from Forsythe would like to go with the girl with the fur coat. The only one I can think of is Mary A. And I think I am thinking right too. Oh dear, here is another one of those complicated affairs. Neale F. had Paul C. ask Wanda R. for a date. Kinda second hand information but Neale meant well by it. I guess Wanda wanted him to do his own asking because she told Paul no!

I guess Harriet is trying to keep up with her sister. She has been going with Jack's other brother from what I heard. Keith B. is still seen going down to Vorces.

Bob Cox (you know him, don't you?) Well, he is rating with a girl he calls Betty XYZ. He says he doesn't know her last name, but he must have found out what it was because I saw him writing a letter to her the other day, and he would have to know her last name to write her a letter, wouldn't he?

Well, kid, I've got to close and get to work. Studying of course. I wish you'd come and visit us sometime. I'm sure you would enjoy it and so would we. Write soon.

Lovingly,
Little Audrey

P.S. Oh, Aggie, you should have seen Mr. Hensley going pell-mell right thru' the center isle of Gebhart-Gushards right on the heels of his girl. Wonder what he was buying her for Christmas.

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