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What is Freedom?

Freedom is a man lifting the gate latch at dusk and sitting for a while on the porch, smoking his pipe before he goes to bed.

It is the violence of an argument outside an election poll; it is the righteous anger of the pulpits.

It is the warm laughter of a girl on a park bench.

It is the rush of a train over the continent and the unafraid faces of people looking out of the window.

It is all the dowdys in the world, and all the hellos.

It is Westbrook Pegler telling Roosevelt how to raise his children; it is Roosevelt letting them raise themselves.

It is Lindbergh's appealing voice raised above a thousand hisses.

It is Dorothy Thompson asking for war; it is General Hugh S. Johnson asking her to keep quiet.

It is you trying to remember the words of "The Star Spangled Banner."

It is the sea breaking on wide sands somewhere and the shoulder of a mountain supporting the sky.

It is the air you fill your lungs with and the dirt in your garden.

It is a man cursing all cops.

It is the absence of apprehension at the sound of approaching footsteps outside your closed door.

It is your hot resentment of a intrigue, the tilt of your chin, and the tightening of your lips sometimes.

It is all the things you do and want to keep on doing.

It is all the things you feel and cannot help feeling.

Freedom--it is YOU

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Mr. Holley

Mr. Holley, our new science teacher, came from Oakwood, Ill. He is a graduate of Normal University.

In Oakwood he taught Science, Physics, and Chemistry.

Mr. Holley was well acquainted with Miss Beutke, Miss Schulze and Mr. Nicol during his college career. He is a very interesting speaker as well as a fine teacher. When it comes to Plane Geometry, the pupils in Biology study hall find him a great help. We think he has done a fine job picking up where Mr. Lloyd left off.

The entire student body, as well as the faculty, invite Mr. Holley back again next year for a prosperous term.

NO FINALS

Very much to the student's joy, all but the seniors, Mr. Keyes announced that final exams had been discontinued for the duration.

This very much disgusted the seniors who are excused from them anyway. They say that next year all you will have to do to get your diploma will be to just walk through the schoolhouse.

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RING IN THE NEW

Miss Arlene Suppes and Miss Joan Nagel, the student teachers that have been at M. C. H. S. for the past few weeks, have returned to college.

We now have two more student teachers who came April 3 and will stay until the end of the year. Their names are Miss Gloria Morris and Miss Margaret Powell.

SPRING FEVER

The Senior play "Spring Fever" did it's work, I guess. Everybody's got it. It was one of the exceptionally good plays of the year.

We especially liked the antics of Norma Braden and Jack Kirby.

Tirrell had us worried, too. We thought she was really sick. So did Jim, I guess.

It gave us a new slant on life when we saw Elmer James as a professor. We never thought of him as such, but we find we had been missing a lot.

Whoever thought of Donald Crutcher as a hen-pecked husband, Especially with Margaret Beasley as his wife?

And what about Kathleen Nelson as an aunt? Bill Stoutenborough as a college professor? Oh, my, they say we learn something new every day. Of course it is not hard to imagine Shirlye Karr as a college co-ed.

Yes, we thoroughly enjoyed "Spring Fever".

SKIP DAY

Skip day was quite an eventful day for Seniors. We wonder why the Juniors aren't allowed skip day, too?

Some of the girls went to see Mr. England. Some girls bought new clothes. Some boys went to Decatur and spent the day. I hear that they parked the car in a one-hour parking place and stayed all day. Well, that's just fine if they can get by with it. I can't. Some people even slept. No tires! No fun!

JUNIOR BLUE AND GOLD

This issue of the Blue and Gold has been produced entirely by the members of the Junior Class. Shirleylou Smith, who has been assistant editor this year, has ably led her workers in order to get this paper out on time. For awhile the Juniors really felt as though they had their hands full with plans for the Junior-Senior Banquet and the Blue and Gold. They have worked well and hard on both and soon their worries will be over.

Snappy news articles and special features have been composed by members of the Junior English Class. All the typists were members of the beginning classes and the press gang was composed of Junior boys, some of whom had never mimeographed before.

Some of these people should make good staff members next year. Nice work, Juniors!

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Hi-Tri Banquet

The Maroa Hi-Tri girls had their annual Banquet, March 31, at the High School. A very delicious dinner was served of meat balls, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, jello salad, butter, rolls, and jelly. A very good tasting desert was served of chocolate sundaes and cake.

The cake was a special one. The annual five layer cake was beautifully decorated by some of the members. It had eight birthday candles representing eight birthday candles representing eight years of the Hi-Tri Club in Maroa High School.

The program was in charge of Betty Egan. Audrey Beasley favored us with a vocal solo, "America I Love You." Freda Thomas played "Deep In the Heart of Texas" on her electric guitar. Miss Beutke pointed out to the girls "The Purpose of Hi-Tri" in her talk. Shirley gave a humorous reading "Codfish Deliriums." "White Cliffs of Dover" was sung by Charlotte Creekmur. Tirrell Stoutenborough, our President, talked on "The Aims of Hi-Tri," after which a response was given by next year's president, Virginia Cramer. Ruth Larrick rendered two popular piano solos "The Caissons Go Rolling Along" and "Madalaine." Miss Schulze lead the group singing which followed. After a very enjoyable dinner and program, everyone had fun dancing. I am sure every one agreed it was the best Hi-Tri Banquet our Club has ever had.

Junior-Senior Banquet

Well, the time for the Junior Senior Banquet has come and gone, and I imagine that most of the Juniors are glad because now all they have to look forward to is vacation.

The Banquet was quite a gala affair with all the swell speeches and the songs and the number Bob Gillen played. What was it, "Somebody Else Is Taking My Place"?

I think that everyone had a good time, at least they said they did. I wonder what happened to those ladies and gentlemen that went away after the Banquet. Oh, well I guess they had a good time.

The Juniors can't wait till next year when it will be in their honor.

Visiting Day

All eighth grade graduates in the district were invited to visit Maroa Community High School Friday, April 17. A number of strange boys and girls were wandering around the halls and were watching our own students suffer and they recited in classes.

Friday afternoon a movie was shown to all students and guests in assembly.

Next year's prospective

The Steak Supper

The steak supper at the home of Coach Viseur included the Maroa County Championship team, managers, and cheerleaders. Mrs. Viseur served a delicious dinner of steak, peas, twice baked potatoes, jello salad, rolls, butter, relish, and pie a la mode. The boys were exceptionally good. They even washed and dried dishes. Of course we know everything has a purpose. They thought they would be helpful, so they would get another invitation. When the party broke up Coach showed some surprise at still having all of the silverware.

Orchestra Party

To finish a fine season, Mrs. Dewhirst is giving a party for all the orchestra members and the group who sang at her recital. The party will be April 25th. It will start at Danceland Roller Rink at 11 a.m. After skating in the afternoon, all will go to Camp Kiwanis for a Weiner Roast. Thanks to "Dewy" for a grand time.

WHAT WE'LL MISS ABOUT THE SENIORS

Thursday, April 23, is the last day of school for the seniors. Some of them can hardly wait for that day to come, but then we're all anxious for vacation to start, aren't we?

As the time for the seniors to make their exit draws near, we begin to wonder what school will be like without them.

It goes without saying that the teachers will miss them. How could they help it when Miss Sutton has two classes of Senior English? And I wonder what

Miss Stadtman will do without all those books to keep straight in bookkeeping and without all those people to worry about who haven't passed their speed in typewriting and who need the credit for graduation? All those people will be gone, but the worries will not stop because as it always happens, there will be others to take their places next year.

But then the teachers are of minor importance when it comes to missing the seniors. We can't help but wonder what JoAnn will do without Bob. And we hate to think of Ruth Larrick without John Zelhart, Allen Jones without Phyllis Thomas, and Billye Anne without Russell Atkins.

We'll miss Shirlie Karr, Netha Perry, and Margaret Beasley, along with other senior girls for their dancing. Come on, Junior Girls, practice up. Tirrell Stoutenborough, Norma Westerman, and Charlene Wikoff will certainly leave the typing department in mourning. Who on earth will do all that typing next year?

As for the boys--well, what will the football team and the basketball team be like without Bob Reed, Wayne Bennett, Jim Allsup, John Zelhart, Goose Garren, Bill Smart, and many others? It goes without saying that the boys who are left will miss them, but we know they will do their best to "carry on".

We can't leave out manager Elmer Garren who will be sadly missed at all games and practices. And the dark room won't be the same without Jack Kirby on the photographer's staff.

There are many others, whose names can't possibly be included here, who have been regular "stand-bys" this year. Next year will mean a "breaking-in" of new ones to take their places. But we can do it; wait and see. Only time will tell.

SCOOP

Attention Senior Boys: Stand a little closer to your razor when you shave.

Bob Reed-(In cab)- "First, I'll take some sulphuric acid and then I'll take chloroform."

J. Zelhart-"That's a good idea."

Netha Perry-"I dreamed I died last night."

Virginia Cramer-"What woke you up? The heat?"

Miss Schulze (in Geometry Class)-"Who made that noise?"

Richard Carr-"I did, I just dropped a 1."

Miss Sutton-"What makes you chew your book in class?"

Joe Hill- (in English IV)
"To cultivate a good taste for literature."

Dick Irvin-"I saw a man swallow a sword."

J. Allsup-"That's nothing, I saw a man inhale a camel."

A blotter is something you look for while the ink dries.

Miss Sutton-"Do you ever read 'To a Field Mouse'?"

B. Prather-"No, how do you get them to listen?"

Student in Library-"Have you a nice creepy book?"

Librarian-"Yes, I believe so. Are you a book worm?"

Maroa News Times-"Friday, generally fair, probably followed by Saturday."

Miss Bottenfield (in English)
"What great tragedy happened in George Elliot's life?"

Jim Montgomery-"She got married."

Miss Stadman-"What's a budget?"

C. Leach-"Well, it is a method of worrying before you spend, instead of afterwards."

"Wilbur, my darling," said Margaret King when he was leaving after enlisting in the 69th Regiment, "take this umbrella with you as you may need it, for I read in the newspapers that they are raining bullets at the front."

"I hope you don't think I'm conceited," said Bob, after he had finished telling Jo Ann all about himself.

"Oh, no," replied Jo Ann. "But I'm just wondering how you can keep from giving three hearty cheers whenever you look at yourself in the glass."

Nextdoor neighbor-"Some of your was was jumping around on the line last night."

Cy Young-"That was probably my athletic underwear."

Late to bed and late to rise,
Makes a girl look with-dizzy
eyes.

Shirley Eolen-"If you could see my heart, you'd find your name on it."

Dick Irvin-"Yes, but I'm afraid your heart would look like a hotel register."

The hardest time to get the baby to sleep is when she is 18.

An educated man is one who can spell a word well enough to cook it up in a dictionary.

Things We Wish For:

That Cy Young could ride his bike without hitting a telephone post. Was it because of a girl???

That boys wouldn't scuffle so much.

That Jim Clough had told us who he was going to take to the Junior-Senior Banquet.

That Richard Tuggle would have taken Shirley Smith to the banquet.

That they would forget all about exams, semester and otherwise, after the duration.

That Shirley Heil and Virgil Wikoff wouldn't be so serious. Maybe it's love.

That Charlotte Cl had taken Everett L. serious and really gone to the banquet with him.

That Herschel McKown didn't have to worry about Irene getting the mumps.

That Bennett would furnish his own tobacco.

Perry would make up her mind which formal she's wearing.

A certain Joe wouldn't stand up a certain senior girl, especially on Easter.

Bill H. would go to school here next year. How about it, Helen Marie??????????

That Goose had a way to go back and forth from Forsyth more often.

That A. Heim and B. Gillen would stop fighting.

That John Rose would keep his mind on his work. It couldn't be because of Mary Belle Camp could it??????????

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TO YOU

ORCHID:

To Miss Sutton and Miss Stadman for helping with the Junior issue of the Blue and Gold.

To all the Hi-Tri officers of this year who have so well fulfilled their duty.

To the Juniors for working so hard on the Blue and Gold.

To the Chorus for singing with the orchestra.

To Barbara Marlatt for receiving flowers from Bill Bruce.

To Miss Beutke and the banquet committee for working so hard on the Junior and Senior prom.

To Mr. Keyes for not having finals.

To the students for trying so hard to learn to dance and to Miss Bottenfield and Miss Shultz for teaching them.

To Phyllis Thomas for finally making up her mind who was taking her to the banquet.

To the Home Ec. Club girls who were elected to go to camp this summer.

To all the students who will receive letters this year.

To the student teachers. We hope you like it here.

To "Red" for making such a nice Science table.

To the Home Ec. girls who made such fine garments for the style show.

To Miss Schultze for leading group singing at the banquet.

To Shirley Smith for getting so much of Dick Tuggle's attention.

To Mrs. Dewhirst for postponing the orchestra movie a week.

To Bernard Margenthaler for winning the fight over the newspaper.

To Mary Current for inviting the Junior class to a party at her home.

To Betty Davis for not taking the scarlet fever.

To all of next year's new Hi-Tri and Home Ec. Club officers.

To Jim Allsup for taking four girls to the Junior--Senior banquet and letting Wayne Bennett go along.

EL - ROA

DINE & DANCE

NO MINORS
PERMITTED

ALUMNI

Leland Camp, class of '31, left for the army on Saturday, April 11.

We welcome Junior Smith and "Lee" Montgomery back for the Easter parade. Don't they look as if they're getting cultured?

Dalè Miller, class of '37, is home for a ten day furlough from Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Edwin Daggett, class of '41, is working at Wagner's in Decatur.

Evelyn Friis, class of '41, is now employed at the Leader Iron Works.

Rosalie Cooper, class of '37, and Corporal Donald Long were married.

TROYAN

Well, the Troyan is finally coming out. They say it will be sometime the last week of school.

Everyone thinks they picked a good name this year. It's the Troyan, Troy for the Trojans; and An for the annual. The boss of it is Etta Heim and the straw boss is Phyliss Thomas.

If the Troyan goes in the hole it will be Bill Stoutenborough's fault. He's the business manager.

Jim Allsup is going to be the boss of messing-up the press room.

The Walt Disney of the bunch is Bill Rohrschieb. Well! Well!

Betty Riley is head of the scandal sheet.

The high hurdles go to Dick Irvin, sports editor.

Jack Kirby is at the head of the camera-breaking department.

The person in charge of str-ewing-up the town with circulars is Kathleen Nelson.

The boss of banging-up type-writers is Norma Westerman.

We have another reasonable fascimile for Bartlett's familiar quotations is none other than Bill Smart.

Boss of all incoming news is Helen Greene.

Of course it's live and laughwith Gordy.

From this kind of an all-star gang the Troyan will top them all.

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My heart beets for you,
With your cherry lips,
And peach complexion,
Radish hair and turnip nose,
My love is as strong as an onion,
And as soft as a squash,
If we cantaloupe,
Lettuce marry,
We'd make a good pear.

No Substitute For Freedom

Don't let anybody
ever fool you into thinking
that there'll ever be
a substitute for freedom.

No chemist in the world
can in all his test tubes
so devise a new solution
called substitute for freedom.

To the Japs there goes a
mighty nation.
A nation of strong brave men
But America has "ac Arthur
and that's enough to say that
they are weak and we are strong.

They are powerful in their
tiny corner but we are powerful
the whole world 'round
Germany, Japan, none can compare
to this mighty nation
in the western hemisphere.

Science has worked it's many
marvels,
But America knows, and
the men at Corregidor and
Australia know there'll never
be a substitute for freedom.

--Shirley Heil

Juniors to the Seniors

As I look into the future,
I can see a vision bright,
Showing all the deeds and exploits
Of our Seniors all allright.

I can see them as they clamber
Up life's steep and winding
stair;
I can see them as they settle
In the presidential chair.

Yes, I see them on the mountain;
I can see them on the plain,
Leading armies into battle,
Bringing victories home again.

Famous doctors, lawyers, teachers,
Aviators, nurses, too;
Able seamen leading navies
Far across the ocean blue.

As they come to fame and glory;
As their honors multiply,
May they ever think with gladness
Of their days in Maroa High.

Students to the Faculty

Here's to the gladness of their
gladness,
When they're glad;
Here's the sadness of their sad-
ness,
When they're sad;
But the gladness of their gladness
And the sadness of their
sadness;
Are not equal to the madness of
their madness,
When they're mad.

CAN YOU IMAGINE

John Zelhart and Ruth Larrick going together?

All these Senior boys going to the Banquet without dates?

Barbara Marlatt not having a date for the Banquet?

Bob Reed going to the Junior Senior Banquet without Joan?

Donald McCool bringing two girls to school?

Cy not talking so loud?

Final exams being abolished for the duration?

Jim Clough taking a girl to the Prom?

Andrew Tucknott flirting with a certain Junior girl? How about that, C. C. ?

Cy Young seen sitting with Gwenivere Hartsock at noon hours?

Jim Clough trying to S. Smith home on Wed. night?

Shirley Heil and Virgil W. not being together every noon?

Irene Mee and Herschel McKown going to the Banquet together?

First Hour Study Hall without Elmer Garren and Jack Kirby?

Sophomore Algebra Class not copying a lesson?

The press gang not doing a good job for the Junior Issue?

Only having to go to school two more weeks?

Mrs. Dewhirst not giving a good musical recital?

All the Seniors having their Bookkeeping practice sets in on time?

Coach Viseur talking about the lesson for once?

Etta Heim falling down at the banquet?

Mildred Faber not working hard?

Anybody that is not glad because we aren't going to have semester exams?

Betty Riley going with Bill Smart?

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SPORTS

TRACK OUTLOOK

Looking at our track picture it appears pretty dim. This can be attributed to many things. We have only a very short training period and there are very few candidates for track. Several seniors who are not out for track are going to be missed badly. These boys are Goose Garren, Bob Reed, John Zelhart, Dick Irvin, and Wayne Bennett. Goose was our pole vaulter 100 and 220 man, and hurdler. John Zelhart and Wayne Bennett were both good quarter milers. Dickie Lee Irvin ought to be out throwing the shot put around too.

With all of these boys not out things look pretty low. It looks like Maroa's reign in the Freshman Relay is over, for the time being. Looking at the Freshies we cannot find four boys who look like sprinters.

Speaking of sprinters there are few in any class. In the 100, John Spooner seems to be the best prospect, having been timed at 11.4 sec., just ahead of John R. Miller and Cy Young. Miller and Young can both run the 220 very well. In time trials for the quarter, Young ran it in 63 and Miller in 63.6; so if called upon they might win points in the 440.

Coach Woody Viseur is trying to make a half-miler out of Miller. It is hard to tell how he is coming, but time will take care of that. Miller has improved greatly over last year and should be pretty good if he stays in training.

Bob Wentworth is a candidate for pole vaulting. However, he hasn't gone over 8 feet yet and

has to improve before he will win any events in meets.

Paul Caldwell is the only broad jumper Maroa has now. He is able to go about 18 feet which is pretty good for a sophomore.

J. Clough

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE 1942 FOOTBALL SEASON

The football season does not appear too good or too bad. There will be four line men who played regularly last year. There will probably be one or two seniors next year in the back field. The schedule next year will be seven games with the Decatur B team, Blue Mound, Stonington, Illiopolis, Assumption, Shelbyville, and Lovington.

Illiopolis will have a strong team because of the defense plant which should bring in new material. Lovington will have their same back field back.

We're not playing all the teams in the Soya Conference. It can't be because we're afraid of Bethany's team or the coach, can it? Le Roy will not play us for some unknown reason. It seems that they are afraid of some of the spectators. There will be several good boys from the Junior class next year if they report for practice and are not afraid to play.

J. R. Miller

LITTLE AUDREY

Dear Agatha:

Just think--this is the last letter I'll be writing you for four months. Of course I'll drop you a card off and on this summer, but I can't take time to write letters. I have to have a good time. Any important gossip I'll save for my very first letter next fall.

The other day I found a note in the hall. It read, "I still think you are in love with Joe V. I have taken just about enough from you. I am getting mad and I am going to treat you just like you treated me. Whenever you take a notion to make up just come ahead." The author of the note was N.J.S. Looks kinda bad for someone, doesn't it?

Someone might ask Audrey B. about her midnight date with Bud C. We'd like to know more about that????????????

You know we had our Junior-Senior Banquet last Friday night. All the girls were simply gorgeous that night. And the boys were dolled up too. Some of them even had gardenias in their coats. The amazing thing was that there weren't many dates there. All the boys came alone and so did the girls. Some of the lucky girls, however, were escorted. As usual Bob Reed and JoAnn were together. Allen Jones played Romeo to Juliet Phyllis Thomas, while Etta Heim was seen with Paul Osborn. Some people were surprised to see Bettie Riley with Bill Smart, but I think it's alright. Athlete Goose Garren and Queen Mary Current were together, with Mary looking lovely in blue. Jim Current arrived with Betty Lou Stoutenborough. That affair is really getting to be something. Have you noticed that Jim walks out to meet her at noon?

While we're talking about the banquet we musn't forget that Herschel McKown escorted Irene Mee. They both looked as though they were enjoying it too. Little Barbara Marlatt surprised people by appearing with Warren Hastings. Not bad.

A lot of the people left the hotel before dancing was over. Wonder where they went???

Although John Zelhart couldn't bring sophomore Ruth Larrick, that didn't keep him from meeting her after the dinner. She appeared promptly upon the scene. Lucky girl--lucky boy--

I'm sure all these couples and everybody else had a swell time at the banquet. I know I did. Shirleylou Smith of course deserves a lot of the credit for such a wonderful banquet.

Someone told me that Cy Young took Margaret Crutcher to Decatur one night. Of course I don't know for sure.

Could it be that phyllis Thomas is losing ground? Did you see the picture of that sophomore girl that Allen Jones got from photographer (N.S.)? Ask him about it.

John Spooner still looks dreamy-eyed at June Hughes. Is he gaining ground????? Once in awhile I see them together. Good luck, John.

Spring always brings together a lot of couples. Maybe it's too bad school is out so early.

Have a nice vacation, Agatha, and I'll be back with lots more news next fall.

Little Audrey

