

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR



December 18, 1942

Maroa High School

## VICTORY CORPS

by Virginia Tremple

The military drill is now a well-known topic of conversation at Maroa High School, particularly since both the boys and girls have had some of it.

The boys, who have had several periods of drill in the past week, can boast of their accomplishments. They have had marching, all the facing commands, forward and rear march, and the manual of arms.

While the girls are not quite as accomplished as the boys, they are determined to beat them in the fundamental drilling. Gym class is the limit of drill periods for the girls, but they're learning quickly. The outcome of this contest will be interesting to watch for.

Mr. Keyes expects to keep the boys drilling as they are now for about a month. Then they will tackle first aid.

Two periods a week have been set aside for the boys drill, while the girls learn first aid. The arrangements for these classes are as follows:

Monday, Dec. 14--	2nd hour
Wed., Dec. 16--	3rd hour
Monday, Dec. 28--	4th hour
Wed., Dec. 30--	5th hour
Monday, Jan. 4--	6th hour
Wed., Jan. 6--	7th hour
Monday, Jan. 11--	8th hour
Wed., Jan. 13--	1st hour

Miss Bottenfield will teach first aid to the junior and

senior girls in Room 2, while Miss Smith will teach the freshman and sophomore girls in the library.

The junior and senior boys are being rushed a little more because it will not be long before they are called by Uncle Sam.

Although we'll hate to see any of these boys go, we can rest assured that we can be very proud of every one who joins the service of our country.

## GUNS AND RACKS

Have you seen the boys drilling with the new rifles? If you have, you have undoubtedly been wondering where the guns were being kept while not in use. That problem was solved by Mr. Smith who immediately went to work on the construction of the gun racks.

These racks were constructed in the north dressing room off the gym. Each gun will be numbered and kept in place.

We should be proud of this new addition to our school; proud because we donated the scrap drive fund for such a worthwhile cause, and proud of our boys for their interest and cooperation in the work and in keeping this equipment in good shape.

And a vote of thanks should go to Mr. Smith for his work on the racks.

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# F. F. A. NEWS

by Betty Massey

## F. F. A. FAIR

At the F. F. A. sectional grain fair held at Cerro Gordo, November 20th, the Maroa boys walked off with the following prizes:

First place, wheat--Carl Riley  
Second place, Corn--Bob Daggett  
Second place, Oats--Carl Riley  
Third place, Oats--Len Shaw  
Fourth Place, Oats--Ivan Leisner

Other members who exhibited were J. R. Miller, Udell Leisner, Everett Leisner, Eugene Wilson, Jack Hambrecht, and Roger Simms. The boys won \$20 in prize money.

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The F.F.A. boys played host to the Argenta F.F.A. boys at a basketball game here on Nov. 23. The Argenta boys won the game by a decisive score. The recreation committee, composed of Bob Daggett, Ivan Leisner, and Glenn Marlow has reported that the boys will have recreation meetings occasionally during the winter months.

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The Maroa F.F.A. boys have responded 100% in meeting the demand for increased production on the part of the government. The boys have all received victory awards in the form of gate markers. This denotes that each boy has increased the score of his projects over past years.

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The F.F.A. boys are investing in a filth which will be released to one of the members. Later on they expect to get the filth back along with several of her off-springs. They will repeat with the filth and her young until it should grow into an enterprise.

# BILL'S

## STANDARD SERVICE

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TYPEWRITERS GO TO WAR

Upon request from the War Production Board, the Maroa Comm. High School has given three typewriters to them for government use. We were glad to cooperate and help in the drive for typewriters. This action was entirely voluntary.

In order to make it possible for all students to continue their typewriting, it has been necessary to make some minor shifts in the classes and to alternate typewriters. We hope, however, that it will be possible to alter this difficulty soon.

The demand for typing was greater than ever before in Maroa this year. There are four beginning typewriting classes in addition to the advanced class.

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HOME EC. CLUB

Marguerite Helmick, President of the Home Ec. Club, and Mrs. Carpenter attended a District Home Economics meeting at the Orlando Hotel, Saturday, December 12. Delegates from all the high school clubs in the district were there to discuss what their high school club is doing. Mrs. Carpenter gave a talk on "What Maroa High School is doing in the Victory Corps Program."

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AT LAST! AN ENGLISH TEACHER!

On Monday morning, December 14, Mrs. R. E. Turner began her duties as English teacher at Maroa Community High School. Mrs. Turner is the third English teacher this year.

When Miss Sutton who had taught here for four years resigned, Mrs. Barnes from Decatur substituted until a permanent teacher could be hired. Mrs. Barnes was the former Miss Vivian Bell who taught in Maroa before her marriage. Students and friends were glad to have her back with them again. She taught for five weeks.

And now, we are happy to welcome Mrs. Turner to our school. She lives in Decatur, and is a graduate of Southern Illinois Teacher's College at Carbondale, Illinois. At present her husband, Ensign R. E. Turner, is with the navy in New Jersey.

Welcome, Mrs. Turner! We hope you will like it here.

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SPORTS

The games played so far are:

Maroa 38 Stongington 27  
 Ma roa 23 Alumni 24  
 Maroa 19 Argenta 23  
 Maroa 27 Weldon 34  
 Maroa 39 Warrensburg 20  
 Maroa 15 Argenta 49

Everytime the first team plays, the second team also has a game. A great many people never see these second-team games and there are really a lot of old "faithfuls" on the team. Here are some of them, some we couldn't get along with-out.

"SECOND TEAM"

Bill Montgomery-Center of the second team, has aided the Trojans a great deal through his rebounding and defensive work.

Everett Leisner-Forward of the second team, has aided the Trojans very much by being able to tally 6 or 7 points per game.

John Rose-A guard who plays both second and first team, helps in bringing the ball down the floor just like an expert. He is also fair on his long shots.

Billy Joe Vaughn is a small but a dangerous sort of a player who keeps his opponents worried. He is always dropping in a basket when you least expect it.

Bennie Myers-Here is a lad who has a big job. He is both guard and forward on both the first and second teams. Bennie has a dead eye shot from the corner of the floor where it is very difficult to guard him.

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Viola Wentworth: "How kind of you to bring these lovely flowers. They are so beautiful and fresh. I believe there is some dew on them yet."

"Yes," Stammered Udell Leisner in great embarrassment, "but I'm going to pay it off tomorrow."

King Arthur was talking to one of his knights who was being punished.

"Go forth into the world and catch every bird and bring them back to me on a string. Either that, or you may marry my daughter. What is your choice?"

Virgil Wikoff: "You got any salt?"

Louise Patterson: "I forgot to ask you to my picnic tomorrow."

Mary Ellen Wikoff: "Too late now. I've prayed for a blizzard."

It is wonderful how people's tastes change with the years. When they are small, girls love dolls and little boys have a yen for soldiers. When they get older they girls are crazy about soldiers and boys fall in love with dolls.

Found: Lady's purse left in my car while parked. Owner can have same by paying for this advertisement. If she will explain to my wife how the purse got there, I will pay for the ad myself.

"If you refuse me," he swore, "I shall die."

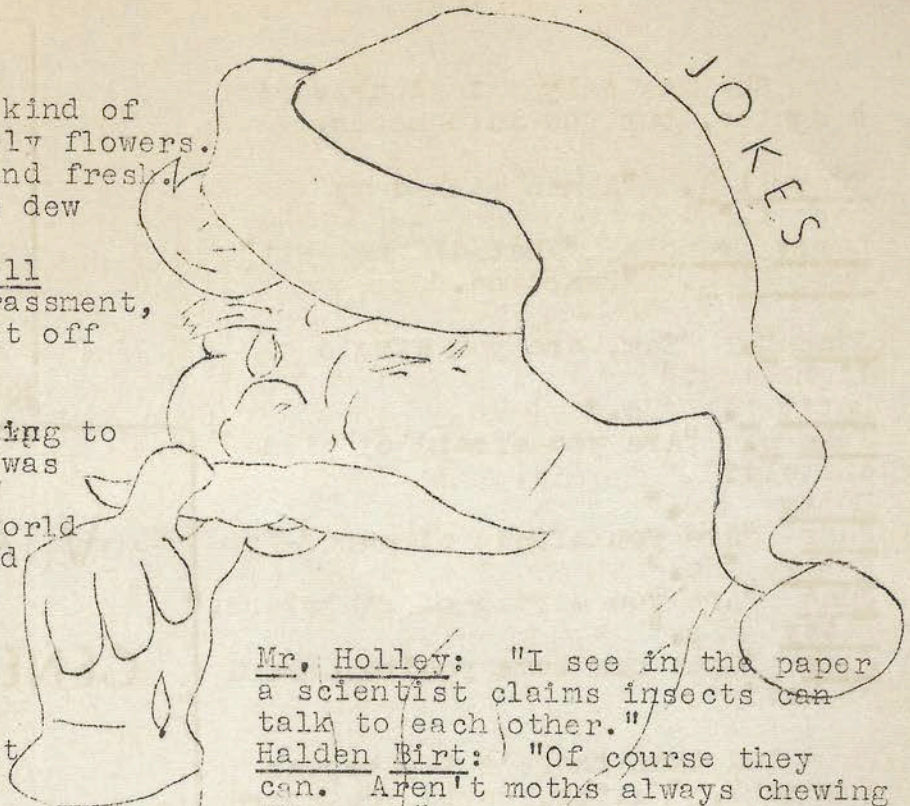
She refused him.

Sixty years later he died.

Margaret Gregory "Mother! Mother! give me a nickel for a poor man who is out in front crying."

Mrs. Gregory "Surely. Poor man, what is he crying about?"

Margaret Gregory "He's crying: "Fresh peanuts, 5 cents a bag!"



Mr. Holley: "I see in the paper a scientist claims insects can talk to each other."

Halden Birt: "Of course they can. Aren't moths always chewing the rag?"

Juanita H. "Is your kitchen small?"

Norma N. "Small! Why it's so small, we have to use condensed milk."

"Was your friend shocked over the death of his mother-in-law?"

"Shocked? He was electrocuted."

Jim Current: (Lovesick Hubby):

"Gee, but I'm blue when my wife leaves me."

George Dial (henpecked Hubby):

"Gosh, I'm black and blue when my wife leaves me."

Husband: "Darling, I hate to mention it, but the toast is terribly tough this morning."

Wife: "I hate to mention it, dear, but that's the cork mat you're eating."

John Spooner: "My wife is always asking me for money."

Robert Tombaugh: "What does she do with all that money?"

John Spooner: "I ain't give her none yet."

She was only a printer's daughter, but I sure liked her type.

She was only a taxi driver's daughter, but you auto meter.

Russell W. "A man picked my pocket."

Larry Tremble "What did he get?"

Russell W. "Practice."

June H. "Say, are you afraid of lightning?"

Betty H. "No."

June H. "Are you afraid of wild animals?"

Betty "No."

June "Are you afraid of war?"

Betty "No."

June "Are you afraid of gangsters?"

Betty "No."

June "Then how come you're afraid of Ma?"

And then there's the beggar who said, "Mister, could you spare a buck for some vitamin B pills?"

Bonnie Faber  
Betty Smart

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# CLIPPINGS

## THE SHIVER-HOUR

In the village the wind catches the snow and the white  
Cloak of childhood lifts over a clean dawn, remembered.  
The shiver-hour was the just-last time, not-quite-

Yet-time before you could get up on Christmas. The slow  
Clock swallowed the minutes like pills on the long way  
To six; but the hour itself was a blown-up, pillow-

Soft hour. It was a beautiful Ferris wheel turning the dream of  
Christmas. That Christmas was actually coming you knew, the way  
You knew a circus parade heard on the block above

Main Street had already started and turned from the square.  
And when jingle-bells shrieked in your brain you knew  
That the clock had turned the last corner and CHRISTMAS was there!

Ellen Sayles Tifft

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ORCHESTRA

The orchestra played Tuesday night, December 10, for the P.T.A. meeting. A special number containing Christmas pieces was on the program. This has been the orchestra's second appearance for the year.

Airplane Pilot---Elizabeth  
Randall  
Coleman as a boy--Howard  
Pulliam  
Coleman, Jr.----Elmer Varvil

This skit was the story of James Coleman and his rise to fame as a president of a great freight truck line.

BUSINESS SCIENCE

On Monday, December 14, the business class presented a radio skit entitled "Moving Goods to More Places". The case was as follows:

On November 3, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Holley. Mr. Holley is the science teacher. The baby is the couple's second child and has been named Barbara James.

Announcer-----Doris Query  
Coleman, Sr.---Joan Wilkey  
Fred, a reporter--Betty Manley  
Dike, a reporter--David Pollard  
Bell Boy-----Juanita Harria

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Irene Mee



## ORCHIDS:

To Shirleylou Smith for doing such good work on the Blue and Gold and getting it out on time?

To 3rd hour study hall for always being so quiet and well-behaved???????

To old man weather for giving us a vacation.

To Gwenievere Hartsock for being appointed to organize the Home Ec. Club scrapbook.

To the American History Class for fighting the Civil War before Christmas.

To the Massey girls for rating steady boy friends and especially Marge for getting one of Dick T. class pictures.

To Frog Vaughn for getting a Decatur boyfriend.

To Joan Marsh for keeping Joe Hill tied down.

To the Physics class for being such serious minded physicists.

To Jim Current for being high-point man in basketball.

To John Ross for so conveniently getting stuck in the ditch out at Roberta's.

To Ruth Larrick for getting a sweetheart bracelet from Johnny.

To Charlotte Creekmur for singing with the orchestra.

To those few students in 6th. hr. study hall in Room 2 for getting so much accomplished.

To Mildred Faber for giving up her office typewriter to the Typing classes.

To Bob W. and Helen P. for their reconciliation. Why don't we do this more often?

To Herschel McKown for helping Mr. Keyes train the boys in the Victory corps.

To Bottle for knowing all the answers in typing class.

To Pat for getting a bawling out on the West bus. What about this Heimie?

To Mrs. Turner for taking over Mrs. Barnes's place.

To Glenn Marlow for breaking Virgil Wikoff's windshield when they ran into a bean field coming home from the Argenta Tournament. Was it because of the icy roads?

To Virgil Wikoff for acquiring such a pretty Indian bracelet from his best girl friend.

To Doris Query for getting her autograph book filled up on the bus.

To Dick Glosser for beating George's time with Charlotte C.

To Allen Jones for having so many suitors. What about that, Evelyn M.???

To George Dial for wearing a girls wooden bracelet on his left arm?

SOCIETY NEWS

By Ruth Bricker and  
Billie Ann Hoffman

Victory Club Meets

The Victory Club met at Audrey Beasley's Sunday nite, November 29 th. She had a very nice three-course chicken dinner. They danced and played games. Everyone had a jolly time.

Blue and Gold Party

It has been decided that the Blue and Gold party will be given on New Year's Day. Since the Juniors won the subscription drive, they will be the guests of the other home rooms. We hope that everyone in school will come. Further plans will be announced later.

Nov. 21 Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. George Perry of Maroa announce the November 21

marriage of their daughter, Netha, and Sgt. Robert M. Peel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Peel of Clinton. Mrs. Peel has been employed with Bates and Rogers construction corp. in Illiopolis. Sgt. Peel has been stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. He now goes on maneuvers in Orlando, Florida.

School Christmas Party

This afternoon each home room had their exchange of gifts and individual parties. Following this everyone enjoyed the all school Christmas party in the gymnasium.

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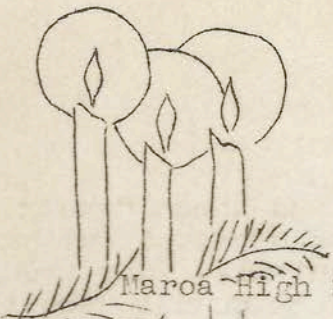
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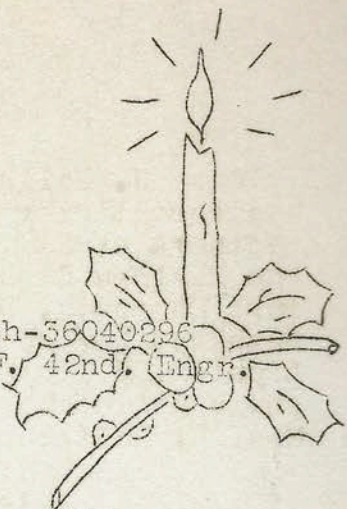
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# MAROA HIGH SERVICE MEN



Maroa High Service Men

These are the men who have graduated or at sometime attended Maroa High. The list is being continued from issue to issue adding more each time. If any one knows the change in address or know of any one we have not printed, we would be very glad to know about them.

Pvt. Robert S. Rainey  
Btry. "c" 495th. armd. F.A.B. N.  
A.P.O. # 262  
Camp Campbell, Ky.

Pvt. Herman A. Gardner  
U.S. Marine Corp  
Unit 300 K.B.  
% Postmaster  
San Francisco, California

P.F.C. Glenn W. Query  
634 School Squadron P.F.  
Gulfport Field, Miss.  
Barracks 15

Pvt. Leland A. Camp  
A.S.F. 36072062  
A.P.O. N. 1867  
% Postmaster  
San Francisco, Calif.

Sgt. Warren George Owens  
66 School Squadron  
Brooks Field  
San Antonio, Texas

Corp. Richard Kincaid  
6th. Corp. Area Laboratory  
Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

Pvt. Chas. E. Bennett  
36039242  
Btry. "D" 2nd. B.N. 30th-F.A.  
Seattle, Washington

Midshipmen Ralph Hanes  
Room 405 Abbott Hall  
430 E. Huron St.  
Chicago, Illinois

Pvt. Darrel Dash-36049296  
1st. Plt. Co. F. 42nd. Engr.  
A.P.O. 937  
% Postmaster  
Seattle, Wash.

First Lt. Charles Milnes  
Battery F. 607 th C.A. (A.A.)  
Camp Halen, Texas

Harry L. Bowden-16053683  
Sqdu. F. Group 2 A. A. F. C.  
Nashville, Tenn.

Cadet Jack W. Holman  
Senta Ana Air Base  
Santa Ana, California

Pvt. Palph Mashburn  
Co. B. 4th Corps Area  
Midland Radio Sah.  
287 W. Hancock Ave.  
Athens, Georgia

Bob E. Pollard Sea 1-c.  
U.S.C. Nassou.  
R.O.T.S.  
P.S.N.Y.  
Bremerton, Washington

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Co. C. First Q.M.R.T.C.  
Fort Francis E-Warren  
U.S. Army Building 514  
Cheyenne, Wyoming

Corp. Clifford Mee  
Service Battery  
372 Field Artillery  
Camp Van Dorn  
McComb, Miss.

Pvt. W. W. Wheeler  
Col. 38th. Infantry.  
A. S. W. 36044264  
% Postmaster  
New York City, New York

# ALUMNI

Cass J. Haliski, class of '36, has recently graduated from the officers candidate department of the Eastern Signal Corps school, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and has received his commission as second Lieutenant in the army. He is now visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Haliski of Maroa.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ferrill, 2665 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, a baby girl, November 25th. The baby has been named Patricia Joan. Mrs. Ferrill is the former Mary Cummins, class of '38. Mr. Ferrill graduated from Maroa High School in 1936.

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Miss Margaret Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson of Maroa and Olan F. Thompson son of Mrs. Mary E. Thompson of Decatur were married November 15th in the First Methodist Parsonage in St. Charles Missouri.

The bride is a graduate of Maroa High School in the class of 1938. She graduated from Decatur and Macon County School of Nursing this spring and has studied pediatrics at Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis. She is now on the nursing staff

of the Decatur and Macon County Hospital. Mr. Thompson is with the Illinois Central. They are living at 235 East Condit Street in Decatur.

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Pvt. Dale Miller, Class of '37, was wounded while fighting with Uncle Sam's forces in North Africa. He has returned to the States and is now in the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington D.C.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cassell, 145 South Hilton Ave. Decatur Illinois, a baby girl, December 5th. They have named the baby Sandra Sue. Mrs. Cassell the former Helen Berry of Maroa, Class of '32.

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Pvt. Jack B. Troxell, class of 1935, was home recently on a furlough visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Howey Troxell of Dewey, Illinois. He is in the air corps and stationed at Camp Davis, North Carolina.

DR STUART CROMER

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CANDY, CIGARETTES, & POP

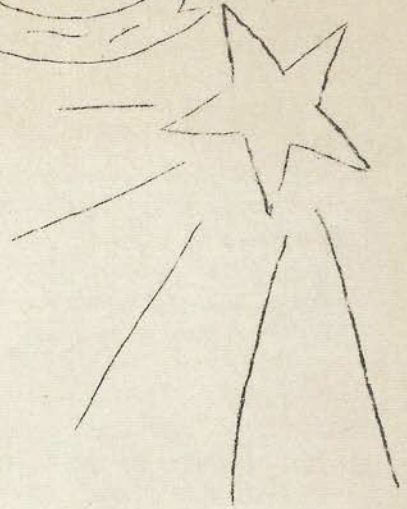
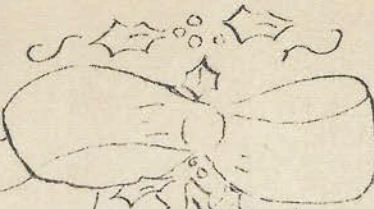
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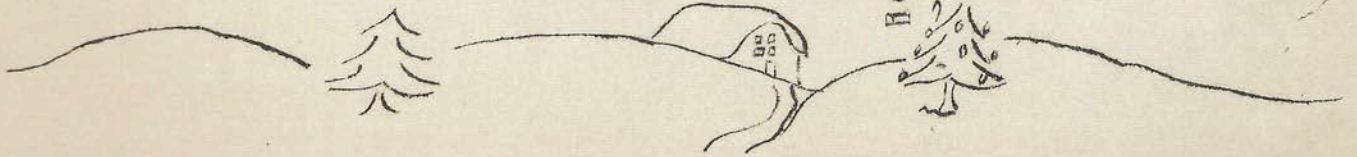
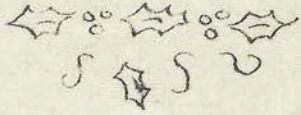
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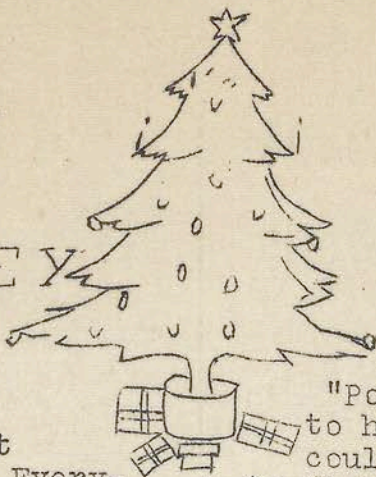


MERRY

CHRISTMAS



# LITTLE AUDREY



Dear Santa:

This is the merriest month of the year to me. Everyone is so happy around Christmas time.

There certainly are some bright faces here at school. Especially Margaret Gregory's. It seems as though Jack Atchinson just can't stay away from her. He even brought a friend for Verna Vaughan. Do you suppose Christmas had anything to do with it?

Santa, I'm going to tell you some of the things the boys and girls want for Christmas this year. I hope the gas rationing won't keep you from going all these places. Do your best to make them happy, please.

Albert Heim would like some new tires for the car and would also like to have the speed limit a little higher. Aren't you worried about gas too, Albert?

Carl Riley would like to have the teachers always agree with him.

Virginia Cramer says, "Bring back my Barney to me".

Doris Query doesn't want a gift, but would rather have money. So just leave 50¢ in her stocking.

Phyllis Marlatt would like a new pair of over-alls.

Naomi Wheeler wants a football suit. And I think she would like the helmet and ball too.

"Possum" Rose would like to have 'peace' so maybe he could breathe without having to fight for a breath. He says "Everyone picks on me".

Dick Glosser said, "Just give me Charlotte".

Bud Shaw doesn't want a thing except Pansy and he hopes she still calls him "Rose-Bud" and "Sugar-Pancake".

Rosalie Johnson would like for Billie Vaughn to talk to her in the halls a little longer than he usually does.

Mary Current says "Pass (me) the Amunition".

Audrey Beasley doesn't want anything, Santa. Don't even stop there.

Shirley Heil asked me to tell you that she would like to have a doctor's kit so she can practice now and then.

Louise Dial needs some stationery so she can write to all her soldiers.

Jerry Miller would love to have some books.

Bring Halden Birt a gun, Santa.

Udell Leisner wants Dorothy Riley all wrapped up pretty in red paper.

Joan Marsh wants a fellow for Evelyn so she and Joe can be alone.

Billye Hoffman wouldn't mind having another \$5 bill.

Lester Myers could use some bobby pins in that pretty, black, wavy hair.

Send Allen Jones a paper showing half ownership of James's motorcycle.

Doris Gordy would like to take another trip over vacation. Could you arrange that?

Betty Stoutenborough is satisfied with Jim so you won't have to stop there either. And what's more--Jim is satisfied with Betty.

L. E. Hill would like a doll--one with a bottle, Santa.

As for me, I would like to see one of the boys with Harriett Carder. I think all our boys are just too bashful.

Miss Schulze would like a stream-lined train to take her home every Friday. Well, can you blame her?

Don't forget anyone, now, Santa. Thanks.

As ever,

Little Audrey

P.S. Just between you and me, Santa, I think Jackie Hockaday would like to be just a few inches taller.

MONTGOMERY'S

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