



Mrs. Berry

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

2nd Six Weeks Honor Roll

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Seniors: Maureen Gardner (5.00), Kermit Dealey (4.80), John Crabtree (4.75), Reuben Dubson (4.75), Joyce Smith (4.75), Dick Stone (4.50), Adrienne Stoutenborough (4.50).

Juniors

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Juniors: Gary McClung (5.00), Barbara Sullivan (4.80), Judy Daggett (4.80), Sally Blickensderfer (4.75), Carol Hodges (4.75), Curtis Wilson (4.75), Lynette Boyer (4.50).

Sophomores

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Sophomores: Jenna McMillen (5.00), Judy Chalcraft (5.00), Carol Merrifield (4.80), Roberta Traxler (4.75), Barbara Brelsfoard (4.75), Betty Stinson (4.75), Sheldon Nicol (4.75), Junior Odle (4.60), Mike Townsend (4.50), Bob Doak (4.50), Laverne Malone (4.50).

Freshmen

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Freshmen: Bob Howell (5.00), Sharon Boyer (4.75), David Lemons (4.75), Susan McGuire (4.75), John Parker (4.75), Sonny Schroll (4.75), Marcia Walters (4.75), Janet Bolton (4.50), Melvin Feathers (4.50), Judy Hinkle (4.50), Connie Sinkosky (4.50), Suzie Spreckelmeyer (4.50).

Second Honor Roll

Seniors

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Seniors: Joyce Greeson (4.40), Janet Schroll (4.25), Larry Austin (4.25), Pat Hoffman (4.20), Barbara McFarland (4.00), James Brown (4.00), Kaye Wattles (4.00), Sidney Foulke (4.00), David Howland (3.75), Pauline Hicks (3.75).

Juniors

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Juniors: Iantha Housel (4.40), David Braden (4.00), Walter Query (4.00), Phyllis Pulliam (4.00), Judy Jackson (4.00), Bill Birge (3.75).

Sophomores

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Sophomores: David Altic (4.25), Ron Wikoff (4.25), Larry Hicks (4.25), Richard Bennett (4.20), Ronnie Terrell (4.20), Judy Allsup (4.20), Judy Qualls (4.00), Janet Walters (4.00), Ronnie Gossman (4.00), Buddy Jay (3.75), Danny Edgecombe (3.75), Judy Roney (3.75).

Freshmen

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Freshmen: Judy McCool (4.25), Joe Willard (4.25), Bob Birge (4.00), Sharon Bush (4.00), Janet Marshall (4.00), Roy Groves (4.00), Karen Albright (3.75), Tina Boyd (3.75), Norman Ethier (3.75), Juanita Williams (3.75).

WOODWARD ADVISOR

Mr. William Woodward, Macon County Superintendent of schools, is assisting our schools this year in an advisory capacity. Mr. Woodward is interested in seeing that our schools are functioning normally and that this be done without his being considered a part of the school's administration. Any person or persons in the unit is urged to talk with Mr. Woodward if they have a problem.

IN MEMORY OF JEAN ROBERTS



The Maroa schools and community as a whole were saddened by the recent death of Jean Roberts. She was a graduate of the 1957 class of Maroa High School and was employed as secretary for the Maroa Grade School. Jean, as she was called, was born in Decatur on October 25, 1938 and her mother preceded her in death in 1942. A twin brother, Joe, her father, and a grandfather survive her. Funeral services were held in the Ruble Funeral Home and burial was in the Maroa Cemetery. The schools of the Maroa Unit extend their sympathy to Mr. Roberts and Joe.



WESTLUND TEACHING SCIENCE



During the past few weeks, Mr. E. H. Westlund has been teaching science at Maroa on a part time basis. This enables Mr. Kitowski, regular science teacher, to have more free periods to spend in the office attending to the work there. Mr. Westlund graduated from LaFayette, Indiana High School and Purdue University with degrees of Ph.C., B. S., and M. S. He has done graduate work in Science and Education at Purdue University, the University of Wisconsin, and the University of Illinois. He spent one summer at M. I. T. on a Westinghouse Fellowship. Mr. Westlund also worked with the Eli Lilly Company, a Pharmaceutical plant, at Indianapolis, Indiana, for a year. He was superintendent of schools in Russellville, Indiana for four years. He also taught science and mathematics at Pikeville College, Pikeville, Kentucky; chemistry at Mooseheart High School, Mooseheart, Illinois, and Decatur High School. He is now teaching chemistry and algebra at Millikin University. He retired from Public School teaching last June. Mr. Westlund has been president of the Decatur Association of Teachers, the Decatur Teachers Union, and the Illinois Association of Chemistry Teachers. He also has been a member of several Education Associations.

DAGGETT WINS SPEECH CONTEST

The Decatur Jaycees Annual "I Speak for Democracy" contest was held in the Maroa High School gym on Monday morning, November 18. There were 6 contestants participating this year. They were: Sidney Foulke, Dick Stone, Sally Blickensderfer, Judy Daggett, Carol Hodges, and Gary McClung. Judy then went to MacArthur High School the afternoon of November 20 where she competed with the winners from the five Decatur High Schools. There she placed an unofficial fourth with St. Teresa, Lakeview, and MacArthur taking the top three prizes.



MAROA HIGH SECRETARY

Mrs. Marian Irvin, is serving as secretary at Maroa High School this year. She lives in Kenney and her husband, Richard Irvin, is principal of the Kenney Grade and Junior High School. They have a son, Stanley, who is 9 years old. Minnesota is her home state and she attended school in International Falls, Minnesota. She also attended the Minneapolis Business College. Her favorite hobby and pastime is golf.



MAROA GRADE SECRETARY

Mrs. Helen Moyer has been hired to replace Jean Roberts as secretary at the Maroa Grade School. She was born in Decatur on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12. She attended Stephen Decatur High School and graduated in 1941. She also attended Decatur Secretarial School. Her husband, David Moyer, is a farmer and they live a mile south of Maroa. They have three children, two of which attend school. They are: Jim in third grade, Sherrie in first grade, and Johnnie who is five. Sewing, knitting, golf, and swimming are her favorite hobbies and pastimes.



The Christmas Dance, annually sponsored by the Student Council, will be held in the high school gym on Friday, December 20, from 8:30 P. M. to 11:30 P. M.

Nominations for king and queen have been made from each class and they will be crowned at 10:30.

Milton Wippold and his orchestra from Decatur will furnish music for dancing.

Admission is 75¢ a person, and \$1.25 per couple.

BREITMAN TEACHING FRENCH



Mrs. Breitman, who is now French teacher at Maroa High, was born in Bethany, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Grubb, who still live there. She attended grade and high school in Bethany, where she took part in music, plays, and athletics and graduated in 1932 as valedictorian.

In 1936 she graduated from Illinois Wesleyan and came to Maroa the next fall as teacher of English and Music so returning this year has been like coming home to her. In 1939 she received her M. A. degree from the U. of I. and also completed a commercial course at Illinois Commercial College. She taught there until she was married to Jerry Breitman, whose home was in New York City. As he was in the army, he was transferred to Miami in January 1942 where he became an officer in the Air Corps.

Since then they have lived in Decatur except for two years (1954-1956) when they owned a store in LeRoy. They now live in the suburb of Lakeland Heights, south of Decatur and near the Boy Scout Camp. Their family includes: Jeff, a sophomore at Mt. Zion; Jerald, in sixth grade; Jeannine, in fourth grade; and Janice who is attending kindergarten in Decatur.



Would you know what it meant if you heard a Bohemian say "Vesele Vanoce," or a Bulgarian say "Chestita Koleda?"

Or if in Scandinavia, A Swede greeted you with "Glad Yul," or a Norwegian said "Gledelig Jul," or a Dane called "Glaedelig Jul."

Or a Spanish-speaking friend smiled "Feliz Navidad," or a Portuguese waved and said "Boas Festas."

If you were in France and heard "Joyeux Noel," or in Ireland someone said, "Nodlaig Mhaith Chugnat."

If an Italian greeted you by saying "Buone Feste Natalizie," or a Croat said "Sretan Bojic."

Or a Welshman called "Nadolig Llawn," or a Ukrainian friend said "Srozhdstvom Krisovym."

You would know from the cheerful voice....the smiling face that you were to respond "Merry Christmas."

Christmas Dance, Dec. 20



On Thursday, December 19 at 2:20 p.m., which is the legal time for the five clock hour classroom sessions, all pupils and teachers will report to the gym at which time there will be a Christmas party.

Free refreshments will be served by the Student Council. Then the annual Christmas exchange will be held, Student Council members will hand out presents by classes. Buses will leave at the regular time --shortly after 3:30 p.m.

On Friday, December 30, regular classes will be held until 2:30 p.m. at which time the buses will leave. This will enable the Student Council committees to prepare for the annual Christmas dance that evening.



Queen and King candidates for the annual Christmas dance December 20, are as follows: Seniors, Margaret Baldwin, Joyce Greeson, John Crabtree, and Bob Wood. Juniors, Judy Jackson, Carol Hodges, Harold Marlow, and Larry James. Sophomores, Judy Chalcraft, Roberta Traxler, Laverne Malone, and Mike Townsend. Freshmen, Judy McCool, Sharon Boyer, Lloyd Murphy, and Norman Lehman.

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M. G. S. HONOR ROLL

EIGHTH GRADE

Table listing names and scores for the eighth grade honor roll, including Jim Eaton (4.00), Betty Jean Runyen (4.00), Sandra Pense (3.90), etc.

SEVENTH GRADE

Table listing names and scores for the seventh grade honor roll, including Carolyn Birge (4.00), Jim Crouch (4.00), Janet Parker (4.00), etc.

SIXTH GRADE

Table listing names and scores for the sixth grade honor roll, including Mary Catherine Anderson (4.00), Ella Sue Biggers (4.00), Cheryl Hitchens (3.90), etc.

FIFTH GRADE

Table listing names and scores for the fifth grade honor roll, including Jeanette Woodward (3.90), Robert Crouch (3.70), Letha Grissom (3.60), etc.

GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

During the latter part of September, 40 junior high students took a science excursion to Salt Creek.

Mr. David Catlin, Science instructor, was in charge of the trip.

On December 19 the lower four grades presented their annual Christmas program at the grade school.

Mrs. Doris Dotson, unit vocal music instructor, was in charge of the program.

The recent outbreak of Asian Flu took its toll at the Maroa Grade School as it did at most other Macon County Schools.

During the week of November 4 through 8 there was an average daily absence of 130.

Everything is back to normal now and everyone hopes it continues that way.

Forsyth Officers Chosen

The eighth grade class at Forsyth has elected their class officers for the year. Greta Harmon leads the group as President with Larry Hinkle as Vice President, Marcia Hinkle as Secretary, and Cynthia Flint as Treasurer.

W. Y. F. FORMED

Westminster Youth Fellowship meetings have been started at the Presbyterian Church and meetings are to be held every first and third Sunday evening of the month.

Many interesting things are planned, such as: sleigh rides, caroling, trips to Cinerama, and the pageant play. We hope as many as can will attend, and if anyone would like to attend they will be welcome.

On December 21 the group plans to go caroling. Anyone who wishes to go may find out about the time and place from Sharon Boyer or Tina Boyd. Refreshments will be served afterwards at the home of Wanda Myers.

TWENTY-FIVE ENROLLED IN DRIVERS TRAINING



WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS?

Janet Schroll - Wow! What would I like to have for Christmas!! Pat Hoffman - A teddy bear and Lanny. Maggie Baldwin - Edward and a sewing machine. Mr. Burgener - A little sleep. Leon Ishmael - A camera and a shotgun. Pauline Hicks - Clothes, so I can look beautiful. Richard Lazell - Nothing. Bob Woods - A new car and a girl to go with it. John Crabtree - A Maidenform Bra. Butch Brown - A nice little blonde that's onery. Larry Austin - Hunting Equipment. Rollin Goodrich - A doll. George Bennett - A lovely brunette, a solid gold Cadillac, a mansion, yacht, a complete new wardrobe, and \$500 a month for the rest of my life. Dick Stone - Hunting and fishing equipment. Dave Howland - Electric shaver. Carol Hodges - A red and white rock eater. Bob Rose - I'll settle for a 1957 ATE Cadillac and a Duquave with model. Dick Thomas - Sarong, Jr., complete with model. Pat Woolums - Somethin'. Judy Qualls - Anything he'll give me, I guess.

Twenty-five students are now enrolled in "Behind the Wheel" training. Fourteen sophomores and eleven juniors make up the class.

The written examination was given on November 15 and the state inspector gave the sign and eye exam on November 18.

For training purposes, the class has been divided into two semesters of twelve weeks each. Each student will be in the car one day a week for 40 minutes. This will be a total of 8 hours in the car for each person. Six hours is required by the state.

At the completion of the course, those showing the desired skill will drive in Clinton or Decatur.

Mr. Herman Edwards is the instructor.

Those enrolled in Drivers' Training for the first semester are: David Altic, Tom Birge, Roger Hughes, Iantha Housel, Lynette Morgan, Ronnie Hillard, Joanne Withers, Sylvia Edgcombe, Connie Morgenthauer, and Carol Pieper.

Those enrolled for the second semester are: Lila Cornwall, Barbara Hensley, Kondalee Garfoot, Diana Thrall, Rosie Creekmur, Julia Hartleroad, Ronnie Gossman, Sheldon Nicol, Betty Stinson, Judy Allsup, Nancy Little, Judy Elliot, Judy Roney, and Janet Walters.

JUNIOR NEWS

The Junior class has concluded their magazine sales for this year. High salesman during the campaign was Carol Hodges who sold \$133.74 worth of magazines.

As an additional project, the class is selling spray for Christmas decorations. The spray is of three different types. One is gold, one is silver, and the other is plain white. Fire extinguishers are also being sold, and these are especially valuable because of the great danger of Christmas trees catching on fire.

Candy and refreshments are going to be sold at all home basketball games. The Juniors will appreciate your patronage.

This past six weeks our class had 7 students on the first honor roll and 6 on the second honor roll. It is hoped that next six weeks more members of the class will have their names on the list.

The class regrets losing Karen Brady who has been with us since our freshman year.

Sophomores Plan Dance

The sophomore class is planning a dance to be held after the Bethany game on January 10. Music will be furnished by a dance band which has not yet been named.

SENIOR NEWS

The Senior Class Play of Maroa High School, "The Inner Willy," has been pronounced a success. The play was presented on November 22.

The senior class presented a set of flats as a gift to the school. It was the first time that flats have ever been used at Maroa and the background added much to the enjoyment of the play. The flats were purchased by the class from the Decatur Little Theatre. Mr. Burgeners' senior speech class was responsible for the construction and painting of the set. After the play a party was held at Mrs. Barnes' home. Everyone had a wonderful time.

During play rehearsals the Maroa cast was a guest at MacArthur High School in Decatur. The MacArthur Dramatics Club gave the same play on November 26 and 27. During the visit to the Decatur school rehearsal, the two casts were combined. The experiment turned out very well, and a good time was had by both groups.

The seniors are preparing for graduation. They have ordered their caps and gowns from the E. R. Moore Company. The gowns will be navy blue with white tassels.

We are sorry to hear about LaVon Larson being ill. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

The seniors are proud to have three boys on the varsity basketball team. They are Dick Thomas, James "Butch" Brown, and Larry Austin.

FRESHMAN NEWS

On Thursday, November 14, Night School was held at the high school, and the freshmen are happy to say that they had a wonderful response from their parents. We hope they all enjoyed it.

We would like to welcome three new students to the class. Karen Edenbusch formerly attended Eisenhower in Decatur. Jackie Pulliam is from Birmingham, Alabama, and Billye Reed comes from Peoria, Illinois. We hope they like our school.

Night School Held

American Education Week was observed in the High School by having the annual School Night on Thursday, November 14. This event was sponsored by the Parent-Teacher-Student Association.

All classes were in session for a period of ten minutes each. During this time, the teachers explained the subject and gave the parents an idea of some of the things taught in the course.

Following the class schedule a short P. T. S. A. meeting was held.

A Combo group, composed of students from Maroa and Argenta, furnished music for dancing for the remainder of the evening. Those in the Combo were Kermit Dealey and Everett Grissom from Maroa and Roger Davenport, Mike Stoddard, Jack Ponewash, and Dennis Cannfield from Argenta.

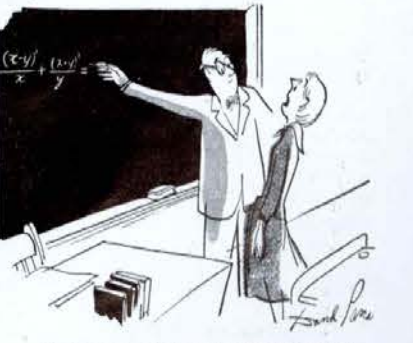
A large group of parents and friends attended this "School Night."

FRESHMEN INITIATED



Freshmen initiation was held on October 29 this year. Over 60 freshmen and new students were initiated. After wearing the traditional green caps for one week, they had their Hobo

the initiates. After the stunts were performed, refreshments of hot dogs, potato chips, apples, and cokes were served by the student council.



"I wish someone would invent instant algebra."

Sadie Hawkins Dance

The Sadie Hawkins dance was held on November 1 after the last football game. Margaret Baldwin was crowned queen. Other candidates were: Pat Eastham, senior; Sylvia Edgcombe and Sally Blickensderfer, juniors; Roberta Traxler and Judy Allsup, sophomores; and Janet Marshall and Marcia Walters, freshmen. Refreshments of cider and doughnuts were served.

FFA NEWS

Maroa chapter members have been selling Aerosol products in order to raise chapter funds. Bob Doak and Bob Runyen each won gold wrist watches valued at \$39.75 for leading in sales. Robert Runyen totaled \$156 in sales and Robert Doak sold \$144 worth of the spray products.



DARRELL WATTLES

F. F. A. chapter members are participating in a pest elimination contest. Team captains are Richard Lazell and Robert Runyen. The winning team will be entertained by the losers.



WALTER QUERY

The Maroa F. F. A. Chapter members were in Chicago on December 4 and 5 to attend the International Livestock Exposition and tour the Museum of Science and Industry. They went by school bus, with Paul Braden driving. They stayed over night at the Harrison Hotel.



RICHARD LAZELL

The Maroa Chapter held initiations on Monday night, December 2, for their Green Hands and Chapter Farmers. The ceremonies were in the gym. Following the initiations, chapter members enjoyed recreation and refreshments. Candidates for the Green Hand degree were: Jim Etnier, Ed. Fore, Melvin Feathers, Bob Howell, Henry Hockaday, Norman Lehman, Bill Leimbach, Allen Marsh, John Parker, Dean Rose, Dean Cole, and Rollin Goodrich. Chapter Farmer candidates were: Bob Doak, Dan Edgcombe, Laverne Malone, Lynn Rodgers, and Ron Wikoff.



DUANE BOYER

GAA NEWS

Volley ball is the leading sport now in G. A. A. There are six teams with Juniors as captains:

Team 1---Rockettes---captains: Roxie Gray, Phyllis Pulliam, Joyce Greeson, Janet Marshall, Mary Cummings, Connie Sinkowsky, Beverly Pulliam, Sue Dawson, Karen Miller, and Karen Erlenbusch.

Team 2---Yellow's---captain: Carol Hodges, Barb Sullivan, Judy Qualls, Sharon Boyer, Margie Tooley, Carol Merrifield, Linda Smith, Judy Hinkle, Judy Daggett, and Carol Piepper.

Team 3---Spitting Sputnicks---Captain: Julie Liming, Judy Elliot, Pat Eastham, Janet Schroll, Loretta Cooper, Susie McGuire, Barbara Brelsoford, Diana Thrall, Joyce Smith.

Team 4---Tarantulas---Captains: Toni Hughes, Adrienne Stoutenborough, Maureen Gardner, Pat Hoffman, Marcia Walters, Carol Windland, Susie Spreckelmeyer, Connie Morgenthaler, Mary Creekmur, and Christina Harmon.

Team 5---Bombers---Captains: Marcia Hughes, Pat Woolums, Janet Walters, Margaret Baldwin, Juanita Williams, Judy McCool, Rosie Creekmur, Claudia Moberly Karen Fox, Dorothea Streich, Janet Bolton.

Team 6---Toppers---Captains: Judy Jackson, Lynette Boyer, Barbie McFarland, Carol Stogardill, Pat Vaughan, Roberta Traxler, Tina Boyd, Judy Allsup, Jenna McMillan, Judy Roney, and Ardella Clifton.

The Rockettes are leading the race for championship.

There are four winners from the Girls' P. E. classes in badminton. They are: First hour--Barb Sullivan, Fourth hour--Joyce Smith, Sixth hour--Juanita Williams, Fifth hour--Maureen Gardner.

Joyce Smith has won the championship in the singles tournament in badminton.

Winners in the doubles championship are as follows:

First Hour: Roxie Gray and Toni Hughes

Barbara Sullivan and Judy Jackson

Fourth Hour: Joyce Smith and Mary Creekmur

Fifth Hour: Marcia Walters and Judy Qualls

Pat Brown and Barbara McFarland

Sixth Hour: Pauline Hicks and Margaret Baldwin

The championship in doubles play is yet to be decided.

Members of the Maroa F. F. A. chapter made an outstanding showing at the Section 16 grain and poultry show held at Monticello on November 15.

Duane Boyer had the first place corn sample. Richard Lazell placed first in both oats and soybeans, and Walter Query was first with wheat. Darrell Wattles and Larry Austin had firsts in poultry and egg classes.



BOB DOAK AND BOB RUNYEN

Larry Austin of the Maroa Livestock Club, placed eighth in the recent elimination for all 4-H members who received an "A" rating in the State Poultry Contest on July 1.

Robert Rose placed second and Sidney Foulke placed third in a county corn yield contest sponsored by the DeKalb Agricultural Association. The boys will receive prizes and be honored at a dinner given by the company.

BAND NEWS

Nancy Little, Everett Grison, and Sonny Schroll have been selected to be members of the County Honor Band.

Tryouts were held early in November. Due to the Asiatic flu two tryouts had to be held to give everyone a chance.

Early next year, the Honor Band will give a concert with Bill Page of the Lawrence Welk Orchestra. This will be held in Kintner Gym.

The Honor Band will also tour several of the county schools and take a trip to St. Louis.

Kermit Deady and Duane Boyer have been chosen to try out for the All State Band. If they are qualified they will get an all expense paid trip to Champaign-Urbana.

Can You Imagine--Gary McClung parking in Barb S.'s lane when there is snow three foot deep?

Can You Imagine---John Crabtree catching Polar Bears?????

Can You Imagine-----the bus leaving Joyce Greeson on the first basketball game of the season.

Can You Imagine--Mrs. Coen missing a day of school.

It will be the day when: Martha L.--stops thinking of Elvis.

Sidney Foulke.--is not hungry.

Kaye W.--gets talkative.

Konnie W.--weighs 200 pounds.

Judy H.--gets 5 feet tall.

Senior class--gets together.

Joyce Greeson--doesn't get cited.

Janet S.--Doesn't grip.

Pat H.--is a bad girl.

Duane B.--has black hair.



"Semicolon? Do you want that punctuated or written out?"

Orchids to Roger Hughes for "eyeing" the new freshman girl, Billye Reed.

Onions to C. M. for planning to get married.

Onions to Beverly Pulliam for quitting Bill True.

Orchids to R. G. for catching a neat little sophomore, C. P.

Orchids to Robert McKinney for getting along so well with Cheeseball.

Orchids to all the Seniors who had their pictures taken before November 15.

Onions to F. P. for being a Chicken. They really wouldn't hurt you.

Onions to the girls for wearing Grandma's warm-up socks. Yee-Gads!

Orchids to the six seniors who did a fancy job on Lake Shore Drive.

Onions to the three senior girls who drag on Main Street. Who won?????????????????????

Onions to J. S. and M. C. for always having their collars up. Do you have a rash?????????

Onions to a certain Senior boy who can't keep his mouth shut.

Orchids to Joe Blazer for putting up with Lynn Dunn in O hour.

Orchids to Tonia Hughes for getting Charlie's ring.

Onions to Tom Birge for taking Betty Hensley away from Roger Lewis. Roger wants her back.

Onions to Dennis Williams for not coming to the Initiation Party or for Hobo Day. What's the matter, you scared you would get hurt.

Onions to the Student Council for not making the new teachers be initiated.

Orchids to the Freshmen and Sophomore clearleaders for getting such cute outfits.

Orchids to G. B. for always being honest.

Orchids to Pat Hoffman for having a new job. Where is it, Pat?

Orchids to Bob Kinkaid for making the pictures for the Senior Play. Thanks a lot, Bob.

LINEN SHOWER HELD

A linen shower was held for Miss Luann Braden at her home on Saturday, November 30 at 2:00 P. M.

Luann will become the bride of Carol Query on December 22 in the Maroa Christian Church. Luann graduated from Maroa in 1957 and Carol was a member of the 1956 graduating class.

Guests were relatives, school friends, and former teachers. Hostesses for the afternoon were Shirley Wilson, Nancy Parker, and Barbara Marshall.



"You're fighting it!"

According to American tradition, Santa Claus is the spirit of Christmas and the giver of gifts. He is a jolly fat man with white whiskers who plunges down the chimney on Christmas Eve, a pack of presents on his back.



This type of Santa Claus has his origin in St. Nicholas, who lived in Asia Minor. He was a wealthy bishop, who did his good works in secret, and wished his generosity unknown.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE M.H.S. IF WE HAD THIS FACULTY?

- Principal-----Lee Kuylen
Coach-----David Garren
Science-----Roy Hanks
Commercial-----Larry James
Girls P. E.-----Ray Ann Garfoot
Boys P. E.-----Phil Hunt
Speech-----Dennis Williams
Home Economics-----Margie Tooley
Shop-----Lynn Rodgers
English-----Dick Bush
Agriculture-----Mary Stone
Drivers Training-----Bill Birge

Orchids to Dick Thomas for being so sneaky during the noon hour. You too, Curt!

Onions to Larry James for rejecting a certain Juniors girl one Sunday night.

Orchids to Harold M. and Claudia M. for getting sent out into the hall at the same time.

Onions to Larry James for resisting all of those cute freshmen girls.

Onions to Sally and Pat for not letting "you-know-who" go to Chicago. Shame on you!!!!

Onions to Judy for wanting to watch Warren through the binoculars she's getting for Christmas. Shame on you, Judy!

Orchids for the Seniors for having such a nice play. Good work!!

Onions to the Freshman Track star. How about that, Janet??

Onions to Gary McClung for sneaking around the halls with Barb S. when coach isn't looking.

Onions to Jim Etnier for forgetting his shoes, what's the matter, Jim, don't they fit???

Onions to the Ag boys who threw water out of hotel windows in Chicago.

Orchids to Jim Etnier for winning over 100 pennies gambling in Chicago.

Orchids to Betty Hensley for chasing after a Sophomore boy. Is that you, Roger Lewis?????

Onions to Janet Schroll for telling everybody all the gossip she knows.

Orchids to B. J. for entertaining his homeroom so well.

Onions to Janet Marshall for not going with Junior Odle.

Orchids to "Fat" for being a good cribbage player. Who do you play with?

Orchids to the Happy Hankie Fan Club. We hear Judy Chalcraft is the president.

Orchids to Mrs. Cunningham for letting the Student Council use the Home Ec. room for the Christmas Party.

Onions to Roger Lewis for chasing a freshman girl, B. H.

FHA NEWS

Christmas decorations was the theme of the December 6 meeting of the F. H. A.

Mrs. George Hunt of Maroa demonstrated many interesting ways to make Christmas decorations which is her hobby.

Mrs. Hunt told the girls that her hobby is not very expensive and is a great deal of fun; however, one must have patience to sit down and work on it. She belongs to a club whose main activity is to make new and different decorations of all types.

First Mrs. Hunt showed the group how to make an ornament from a walnut. Using turkey feathers which she cleaned and dyed, Mrs. Hunt made a beautiful feather tree. These feather trees have been sold by Mrs. Hunt at one of the stores in downtown Decatur. The tree makes a very attractive centerpiece for a table or mantel. A very striking Christmas tree ornament and candle holder was made from the lid of a tin can.



Mrs. Hunt wrapped a match box with Christmas paper and put it inside a clear plastic ball. Then she decorated the outside with different colored paints and glitter. It made a very interesting Christmas tree ornament.

Each girl present drew a number for a prize. The number Mrs. Hunt picked was the number Janet Walters drew. The prize was a pretty Christmas corsage made of turkey feathers and an angel.

F. H. A. wishes to thank Mrs. Hunt for such an interesting talk. It was educational as well.



FHA Hears About England

Mrs. James Meece, who is originally from Cornwall, England, was the guest speaker for FHA December 6th. Mrs. Meece spoke about clothing, social customs, school and dating.

About twelve years ago, Mrs. Meece came to the United States with her husband, Mr. James Meece. Since coming to our country, Mrs. Meece has been back to her native Cornwall only once which was two years ago.

Mrs. Meece told of seeing Queen Elizabeth on several occasions and that the Queen is always perfectly dressed and made-up. To many people, Mrs. Meece said, the Buckingham palace is a disappointment because it is so dirty and grey looking. One bright spot is the changing of the Color Guard, because the colors are so beautiful.

Dating is a great deal different in England. The girls do not bring the fellows home to meet their parents until they are considering marriage. When the children become school age, the girls do not get to see the boys very much during the day because the boys go to one school and the girls go to another. In Mrs. Meece's home town the schools are about ten miles apart. The students are not allowed to choose the subjects they want to take like we do. All the school subjects are required. The girls have cooking and sewing beside their other subjects. In the morning all students have religious instruction and Bible study.

Their clothing is a lot different from ours. In school, the students wear uniforms in the school colors. The language is almost the same as ours except for a few differences in definitions. For example, in England candy is called sweets, a cigarette is a fag, a napkin is a baby diaper, and thread is called real cotton.

SOYA CHAMPS



The Maroa Trojans, under the fine leadership of Coach Walter Boyd, have run their string of Soya Conference Championships to four straight. Coach Boyd has been head football coach at Maroa for the past nine years.

He has directed some of the best football teams in the Soya Loop.

The whole school and community would like to thank Mr. Boyd for his fine work.

Lovington Crushed 26-0

The Maroa Trojans came one step nearer their fourth consecutive Soya crown by defeating Lovington, 26-0, at Lovington on October 25.

The Maroa eleven led 13-0 at the half and added 13 points in the final quarter to nail the victory.

Rich Lazell scored two touchdowns and an extra point, Norman Howland scored two touchdowns, and Dick Thomas added an extra point.

The win extended the Trojan's unbeaten streak in Soya Conference play to 23 games.

TROJANS HONORED

The Maroa Trojans have been well rewarded for winning their fourth consecutive Soya Crown.

On November 16, the Mothers of the football players sponsored a potluck dinner for the boys and Dads.

On December 2, the Maroa Fire Department honored the team with a tasty banquet of baked ham, baked beans, and potato salad.

On December 9, the boys were treated to a Smorgasbord at the St. Nicholas Hotel. The Cheerleaders also attended.

The team and coaches would like to thank all those who had a hand in making these meals possible.

Bethany Edged 20-19

The Maroa Trojans wound up the football season by edging Bethany 20-19. It was the Maroa team's twenty-fourth consecutive win in conference play.

Maroa led at half time by a score of 13-7, but the Mustangs came back in the third quarter with a touchdown to tie the score.

In the fourth quarter, Maroa scored and added an extra point to make the score 20-13. However, Bethany also scored but missed the extra point which left Maroa the undisputed Soya Conference Champs.

How did the turtle in the Science Lab get the name of Hector????

Strange things have been happening in Maroa High School. Are you guilty????????????????? What's this we hear about Bob Wood complaining so much about Butch Brown selling his back seat?????

MAROA CAGERS OPEN SEASON WITH 67-55 WIN

The Maroa Trojans opened the cage season on December 3 by whipping the Bethany Mustangs, 67 to 55. The Maroa five was led by Butch Brown, the little guard, who netted 28 points. To do this he hit 9 out of 9 shots in the second half.

The Maroa reserves opened the evening with a 42 to 36 loss to the Mustang reserves.

Injuries Trouble Team

Injuries have been causing the Maroa Trojans trouble in basketball practice so far this season.

Larry James is suffering from a knee injury incurred in football practice and may be of little use to the Maroa five this year.

Both Dick Thomas and Butch Brown have weak ankles as a result of football injuries.

Gary McClung suffered a shoulder injury during the football season and has had to sit out some practices because of this.

The Trojans should have a fair season if they can shake off some of their injuries.

"B" TEAM ORGANIZED

Maroa's second team this year will have to go some to better the record of last season's "B" squad.

Last year's reserves compiled a record of 18 wins and 2 losses.

The following boys will be doing their best to follow in the footsteps of the '56 squad: Junior Odle, Ronnie Terrell, Lloyd Murphy, Joe Blazer, Roger Lewis, Hank Hockaday, Gary Archey, Jim Etnier, and Bob Birge.

Lovington Dumped 59-45

The Maroa Trojans, with the aid of Jim Brown, dumped Lovington 59 to 45. It was Maroa all the way as the Trojans led at half time by a small margin.

Brown piled up 23 points and Curt Wilson added 12. There was good rebounding by Gary McClung and fine defensive work by Dick Thomas and Phil Odle.

This was only the second game and with a lot of hard work and spirit they should improve as the season moves along.

MAROA GRADE SCHOOL TEAM



After getting off to a bad start by losing to Forsyth, Mt. Zion, and Latham, the Tamaroa Trojans nudged Macon by a score of 41 to 36.

The "A" team line-up includes in the second row: Elston Mitchell, Jimmy Eaton, Roger Schultz, Bradley Lienhart, David Earles, and Jimmy

Conyers. In the first row are Lewis Rooker, Charles Ohlemeyer, Gary Schroll, Jerry Odle, and Douglas Stoutenborough, manager.

Coach David Catlin, despite their early defeats, expects to have a good chance in the forthcoming light weight tournament.

MAROA GRADE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS



Cheerleaders for the Maroa Grade School this year were chosen recently. They are Sally Shambaugh, Linda Catlin, Barbara Austin, Catherine Crabtree, and Marla Atchison.

FORSYTH GRADE SCHOOL TEAM



Those out for basketball at Forsyth this year are: First Row: Gale King, Jimmy Norfleet, Mike McDonald, Duane Mathews, Buddy Blickensderfer, Steven Edgcombe, Sam Etnier, Richard Stevenson. Second Row: Steve Morgret, Danny Wiffs, Lynn Robertson, Terry Collison,

Sanny Eubanks, Gary Collison, Donnie Mowry, Corwyn Green, Larry Schwartz. Third Row: Coach Nettle, Jim Stone, Donny Campbell, Jerry Gill, Larry Hinkle, Gary Lynch, Larry Eubanks, Tommy Luallen, Jerry Woods, Mr. Guyer, Principal.

MAROA GRADE SCHEDULE

Jan. 9--Boody, Here
Jan. 16--Blue Mound, Here

FORSYTH GRADE SCHEDULE

Jan. 13--Argenta, There
Jan. 20--Boody, Here
Feb. 6--Macon, Here

HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Dec. 26, 27, 28--Lakeview Holiday Tournament
Jan. 3--Niantic, There
Jan. 8--Warrensburg, There
Jan. 10--Bethany, Here
Jan. 14--Deland-Weldon, Here
Jan. 17--Argenta, There
Jan. 22, 23, 24--Macon County Tournament at Warrensburg
Jan. 28--Macon, Here
Jan. 31--Niantic, Here
Feb. 1--Atlanta, Here
Feb. 4--Beason, There
Feb. 7--Lovington, Here
Feb. 11--Mt. Zion, There
Feb. 14--Wapella, There
Feb. 21--Lakeview, There
Feb. 22--Argenta, at Argenta Maroa Home Game
Feb. 25--Assumption, There
Feb. 28--Farmer City, There

TOWEL SERVICE STARTED

The boys on the athletic teams and those in gym classes are receiving towel service this year. It is the first time that this service has been offered to the boys. Most of the boys have signed up for the service, but if there are any who have not done so but want it, they may see Coach Boyd. The towel service fee is two dollars.



Cheerleaders at the Forsyth Grade School this year are Sue Dotson, Cynthia Flint, Marcia Hinkle, and Greta Harmon.

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