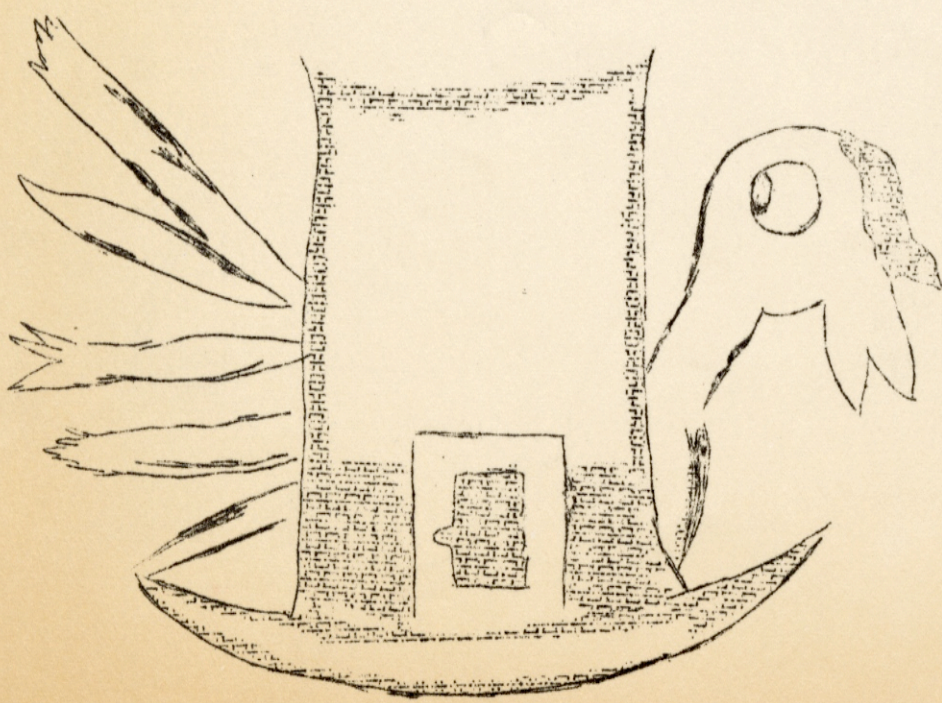


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No. 1

Maroa High School

November 18, 1960

## *Nixon Wins School Election*

Our school had the political bug that swept the nation this year. Under the direction of the student council, registration was held during which all students were given a chance to register and 181 of 191 students registered during the two day period.

On Monday, November 7, an all school political rally was held in the Maroa Grade School gym. Rousing campaign speeches were given by the following students: Sonny Schroll for William Stratton and Samuel Witwer; Marilyn Watson for Otto Kerner and Paul Douglas; Suzie Spreckelmeyer for Senator Kennedy; and David Garren for Vice-President Nixon. As a climax to these speeches, a "T. V. debate" was held to present the views of the two major political parties. A panel of reporters, Judy Hinkle, Tom Luallen, Janet Parker, and Gary Vermilyea, questioned David Lemons and Suzie Spreckelmeyer for the Democrats and Republicans Gary Archey and Bradley Leinhart.

The issues presented and minds made up, a mock election was held on Tuesday, November 8. Richard Nixon, Paul Douglas and Otto Kerner won in the school election. Class by class, here is how the school voted:

### For President:

	Fresh	Soph	Jrs.	Srs.
Nixon (R)	15	25	21	33
Kennedy (D)	22	17	14	19
% for Nixon	41%	59%	58%	64%

### For Governor:

Kerner (D)	22	22	20	21
Stratton (R)	14	20	18	30
% for Kerner	61%	52%	53%	41%

### For U. S. Senator:

Douglas (D)	25	24	20	21
Witwer (R)	13	17	18	23
% for Douglas	66%	59%	53%	56%

## *Meet Mr. Watson*

Mr. Watson attended school at River-ton and graduated from high school at Feitschen High School of Springfield. He attended the University of Illinois and graduated in 1941. He received his Masters degree from University of Illinois in 1947. Mr. Watson is now doing work beyond that degree at the University of Illinois. He also attended Illinois State Normal University for specialized courses in school administration.

Prior to coming to Maroa he served as a teacher at Tolona, Illinois, in the public schools of Springfield, Illinois and as teacher and assistant superintendent at Toluca, Illinois. He was also superintendent at Granville, Illinois.

Mr. Watson and his wife Alice have two daughters, Marilyn, who is 17 and a senior at Maroa High and Brenda, who is 9 and in the fourth grade at the Maroa Grade School. He also has three brothers and a sister. Mr. Watson is a five year veteran of the Army Air Force.

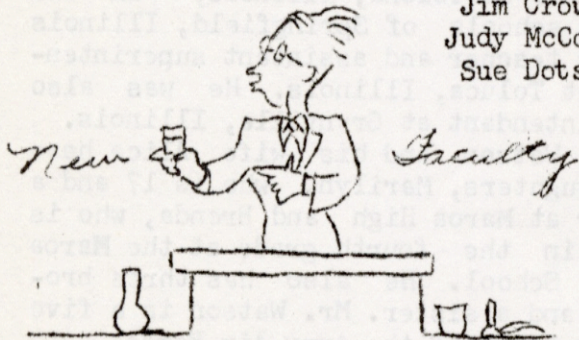
His pet peeve is to be disturbed when he is busily engaged in working out some problem. His hobby is fishing and is an avid sports fan.

Mr. Watson is a member of the Illinois Education Association, National Education Association, Secondary School Principal Association, American Legion, and the Maroa Lions Club.

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**Mrs. Coen--Commerce**  
 She attended high school at Melvin, Illinois. She graduated from U of I in 1946. She has taught in New Holland, 1 year; Buda, 1 year; and at Maroa High for 9 years.  
 Her family consists of her husband Fred; a daughter, Martha who is 7; and son Johnny who is just about 2.  
 Her pastime activities are reading and sewing. Her favorite foods are all kinds of pies and home made ice cream and her favorite song is "Star Dust."  
 Her pet peeve is people who hang coat hangers backwards.  
 If she weren't a teacher she would like to be a tour guide.

**Miss Mickle--Band**  
 Miss Mickle graduated from Millikin University in June, 1960. She formerly lived in Glendale, Missouri, but at the present time she has an apartment in Decatur.  
 She has two brothers who are 23 and 16 who live in Lynchburg, Virginia with their parents now.  
 For a pastime she enjoys reading. Pecan pie is her favorite food and swimming is her favorite sport. Her favorite songs are "Greensleeves" and "Summertime." Her pet peeve is "gossipers."  
 If Miss Mickle had to pick an occupation other than teaching she says she would like to be married.

**Mrs. Harris--English and Speech**  
 Mrs. Harris attended college at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Wisconsin is her home state and her family is living there. This is her first year at Maroa, and last year she taught at Assumption.  
 Her husband is an Assistant to the Administrator at Decatur and Macon County Hospital.  
 Her pastimes include sewing, cooking, and reading plays and dramas. Steak is her favorite food and "Fascination" is her favorite song. She likes to swim. Her pet peeve is students who have intellectual curiosity.  
 A teacher is the only thing she would want to be.

**Mrs. Miller--Home Economics**  
 Mrs. Miller graduated from high school in Albion, Illinois. She attended college at the University of Illinois, the University of Wisconsin, and Columbia Teachers College in New York City.  
 This is her first year of teaching at Maroa, but she formerly taught at Argenta and Superior, Wisconsin.  
 Mrs. Miller has four children. Two of them are in college and two are in high school. Her husband farms near Cisco.  
 Mrs. Miller has been active in the Cisco Methodist Church, Piatt County L-H



### Student Council News

### S. A. A. News

Just in case you haven't already heard, Student Council officers are as follows:

- President: Dave Lemons
- Vice President: Brad Lienhart
- Secretary: Nancy Foster
- Treasurer: Judy Hinkle
- Reporter: Cheryl Spreckelmeyer

By the time you read this we will have had our school election and debate. I hope you all got out to vote and may the best man have won!

Freshman initiation is going to be a little different this year than it has been in the past. Of course, the Freshy's will have to wear the traditional green beanies for a week. They will be required to back through all doors and must be able to say the freshman creed to all Seniors on request. Anyone failing to meet the requirement will be given a penalty to be performed at the initiation party. I regret to say the dates are still unset.

The Lion's Club is going to sponsor dances after some of the basketball games this year. Since they are going to all this trouble for us, let's have a good turn out at each and every dance! I know you all love to dance, and what's more they're FREE! The first dance will be December 3. I hope to see you all there.

G.A.A. started off with a good start this year with 60 members. Eleven of them are freshmen.

Swimming was the first activity and hiking followed. Archery was also used to gain points.

Our swimming group had a good attendance with practically all of the members taking part at one time or another. Most of these girls also took part in hiking.

About 14 members took part in archery. We were too late in sending in our names to enter the archery contest, but we sent in our scores anyway to see where we stand in the state.

Our officers for this year are as follows:

- President: Susie Spreckelmeyer
- Vice President: Catherine Crabtree
- Secretary: Sue Dotson
- Treasurer: Mary Moyer
- Point Chairman: Tina Boyd and Janet Parker

Heads of Sports:

- Swimming: Susan McGuire
- Hiking: Susie Boyd
- Archery: Barb Austin
- Basketball: Tina Boyd

Jane Chalcraft is in charge of our bulletin board.

Barb Austin and Mary Moyer are in charge of the G.A.A. scrap book.

### F. H. A. News

### Homecoming

The Maroa F.H.A. Chapter began it's 1960-61 year with a formal installation of officers. The officers are as follows:

- President: Juanita Williams
- Vice President: Judy McCool
- Secretary: Marcia Walters
- Treasurer: Janet Boyer
- Reporter: Melanie McGuire
- Recreation Chairman: Donna Moberly
- Parliamentarian: Susan McGuire
- Historian: Beverly Pulliam
- Advisor: Mrs. Miller

Fifteen girls went to Middletown for a sectional F.H.A. rally, October 15. The Maroa group was in charge of the devotional.

The annual Homecoming Dance of 1960, sponsored by the Pep Club was held on October 7, at the grade school. The theme was "Deep Purple." The queen and her court were selected. Juanita Williams and Gary Archey were queen and king. Lloyd Murphy and Judy Hinkle were first attendants and Eileen Vermilyea and Raymond Davenport were second attendants.

M.P.H.

Jenny: "What would you do if a lion came after you at sixty miles an hour?"  
Johnny: "I'd do seventy!"

*Maroa F. F. A. News*

The Maroa FFA chapter got off to an early start in winning the land judging contest held at the Dewitt County Soil Conservation Field Day, August 23. Members of the winning team were: Bill Leimbach, Bob Howell, Wayne Runyen, John Parker, and Dick Brelsfoard. The chapter was presented with a huge trophy. Doug Stoutenborough and Norman Lehman placed second in the contour plowing contest and John Parker and Alan Marsh won second in a contour staking contest. Both teams won nice trophies.

The Maroa FFA chapter team won the Sectional Land Judging Contest held at Mt. Zion, October 5th. The winning team members were: John Parker, Hank Hockaday, Roger Schultz, Dick Brelsfoard, and Wayne Runyen. Sixteen teams were entered. Maroa placed four individuals in the top five. They were: Wayne Runyen, first; John Parker, Roger Schultz, Hank Hockaday, tie for third.

The Maroa FFA Dairy Judging team placed first in the sectionals contest held at Mansfield last May. Winning team members were Bud Blickensderfer, Laverne Malone, and Lynn Rodgers.

At the State FFA livestock judging contest at Urbana in June, the Maroa FFA team won a blue ribbon. Team members were Roger Schultz, Bob Howell, and John Parker.

Laverne Malone received the State Farmer degree at the State FFA Convention in Springfield in June. Henry Hockaday was member of the State FFA Chorus.

Norman Lehman, Maroa FFA Member, was judged first place senior winner in the 1960 Youth Fire and Safety Project for the State of Illinois. He received two car bonds as a prize.

Norman Lehman, Maroa FFA member, won second place in a Junior Plowing Match sponsored by the Decatur Junior Chamber of Commerce. He received a plaque and \$100.

The Maroa FFA chapter was one of 12 chapters in Illinois to be named a Gold Emblem chapter for their outstanding program of activities the past year. The announcement was made at the FFA Convention in Springfield in June. The chapter received a certificate and plaque.

The Maroa chapter was also announced as one of the top five chapters in the state for their program of cooperative activities. They were presented a plaque and an \$80.00 check by the Illinois Agricultural Association. The Association also sponsored a fishing trip to Canada for Ron Wikoff, a local chapter member.

The Maroa chapter had an exhibit at the Convention that received a plaque.

Officers of the Maroa FFA chapter and their advisor attended the National FFA Convention at Kansas City, Mo., October 12-14. Those making the trip were: Bob Howell, Henry Hockaday, Bill Leimbach, Alan Marsh, Norman Lehman and Mr. Nicol.

Attending an FFA leadership training school at Wapella, October 20th were: Bob Howell, John Parker, Bill Leimbach, Norman Lehman, Henry Hockaday, Alan Marsh, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Nicol.

John Parker and Mr. Nicol went on a tour sponsored by the Illinois Farm Electrification council on September 24th. They visited a coal mine, power plant, and a number of farms featuring the use of electricity.

*40 1st. of Drivers Training*

The new Driver Training Car is a 1961 Chevrolet Biscayne. It is light green and it has a standard shift. It was purchased from El Bauer in Decatur. Mr. Miller said he has forty very good drivers this year.

Dear Agatha,

Did you hear the great news? The new addition to our school is now well on it it's way and does the gym ever look great.

A new gym is good for more than just basketball games. The Macon County Chorus Festival is going to be held at Maroa High School this year. This will be the first time Maroa's had this festival.

There have also been some other changes around ole' Maroa High. Have you heard about Barb Austin. I'm afraid she's changed men on us. She's now wearing a "1962" class ring----that of Brad Leinhart. Sally S. has also been seen around with Jim Etnier. Some people just should know better than to go out of state.

Have you heard about our fabulous football team? They have an undefeated record as of now. I also think the cheerleaders should be congratulated long with our team. Congratulations kids!!

Agatha, did you ever think that Mitch Mitchell would do such a thing as to try to talk Lloyd Murphy and Gary Archey into shooting out the street lights in front of a certain Forsythe Girl's house? Well I hear he did just that.

I guess I'd better let you go because have chattered long enough for now.

Your buddy,

*Little Audrey*  
Little Audrey

#### AN YOU IMAGINE:

- C. S. running stop signs?
- H. H. running into World History class with a snake?
- No speaking in 7th. hour study hall?
- The French II students not being thirsty?
- T.B. with his shirt tail out?
- The entrance not being crowded in the morning before school starts?
- Freshman girls not liking Senior boys?
- J.P. sharpening pencils in Plane Geometry class?

Marcia Hinkle flirting with cab drivers?

There being a braced bow in school?

M.W. not worrying over L.M.

#### ORCHIDS AND ONIONS

Orchids to the Trojans for doing such a fine job on the gridiron this season.

Orchids to J.W. for waking the Homecoming crowd up.

Onions to Steve Razor for not wearing his false tooth the first few weeks of school.

Orchids to the cute "freshie" girls for falling for the big senior "wheels".

Orchids to Doris Dale for practicing her gait so diligently.

Onions to that certain six for getting picked up in the VW after the Snake Dance.

Orchids to that "hard working" Junior class for getting first prize with their float.

Orchids to Dave Lemons for being another Dizzy Dean in announcing the football games.

Onions to Joe Blazer for not noticing a certain sophomore redhead.

Orchids to the Varsity cheerleaders for having such sharp outfits and doing such a fine job.

#### 1960-61 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 29--Mowesqua*	There
Dec. 3--Argenta	Home
5-9--Meridian Tourney	
6--Mt. Zion	There
16--Lovington*	Home
17--Atwood	Home
20--Warrensburg-Latham	There
Jan. 6--Macon*	Home
13--Assumption*	Home
17--Bethany	Home
20--Illliopolis*	There
23-27--Macon County Tourney	
Feb. 3--Pindlay*	There
4--Warrensburg-Latham	Home
7--Tower Hill*	There
10--Blue Mound*	There
14--Niantic*	Home
17--Stonington*	There
21--Mt. Zion	Home
25--Argenta	There
* Conference games	

## Trojans Undefeated For Season

Coach Walter D. Boyd and his Trojans won nine straight games this season and have no undisputed title of the Meridian Football Conference which is its first year. The successful season has come about because the Trojans are equally strong on defense and offense.

At the start of the season the Trojans were not picked as favorite to win the conference title. However, since then the Trojans have not only won the conference but have a perfect record for the season.

To name the standout players for the Trojans would be difficult since you would have to name the whole varsity squad. A few of the main ones, though, are Captain Lloyd Murphy HB, Jim Etnier HB, Wayne Runyen T, Raymond Davenport T, and Elston Mitchell, who had little experience but has done a fine job at the signal calling spot.

Other varsity players, who have contributed a lot to this successful team are: John Parker C, Larry Eubanks G, Tom Luallen FB, Roger Scholtz E, Brad Lienhart G, Gary Archey E, Mike Booher E, David Hoffman G, Joe Blazer B, Jim Freeman HB, David Garren HB, and Stoy Bliss C.

Other players who make up the Junior Varsity are: Roger Mitchell, Max Heinz, Ronnie Margenthaler, Danny Garren, Steve Kinkaid, Gary Amberg, Richard Hunt, John Mathews, Gary Beck, and Steve Razor.

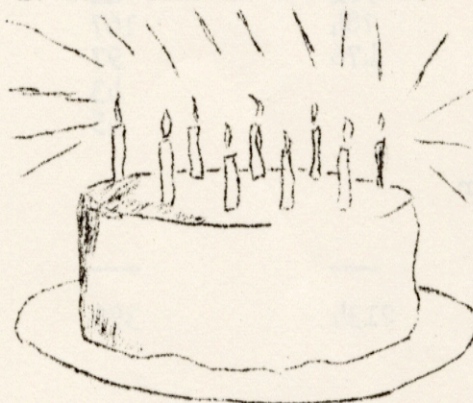
Stoy Bliss and David Garren also play on the Junior Varsity which is coached by Ralph Miller. Their record at present is 0-2.

The Trojan football team and cheerleaders were honored with a dinner at the Redwood Restuarant on November 15. The merchants of Maroa sponsored the dinner and also attended. Mr. Smith gave a short speech about the Trojans and their winning season. Coach Boyd introduced the merchants who were attending. He also introduced the players and cheerleaders. Mr. Smith said the town was very proud of the Trojans and their perfect season.

## Trojans Down Warransburg

The Trojans downed Warransburg-Latham 33-6 to complete what is believed to be the first undefeated, untied, season in the history of the school. The Trojans finished season play with a 9-0 record. Quarterback Elston Mitchell lead the way for the Trojans scoring 3 touchdowns on runs of 5, 3, and 50 yards. He also scored one extra point. Mitchell passed 8 yards to end Gary Archey for another touchdown. Jim Etnier scored the other touchdown on a 5 yard run. Etnier and fullback, Tom Luallen, scored one extra point each on runs.

Much of the Trojan's success was due to the guidance and coaching of Coach Boyd. Maroa is one of the few undefeated, untied teams in the state.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### November Birthdays

- 2- Max Heinz
- Karen Erlenbusch
- 6- Melvin Feathers
- 7- Edward Hensley
- 15- Mrs. Coen
- Kay Arnold
- 28- Janet Bolton
- 30- Loretta Cooper
- Betty Runyen

### December Birthdays

- 3- Carol Pope
- 10- Joe Blazer
- 13- David Earles
- 18- Doug Stoutenburgh
- 22- David Amberg
- 29- Cheryl Spreckelmeyer
- 30- Linda Hartleroad



FOOTBALL STATISTICS

7 Games

<u>Name</u>	<u>Carrier</u>	<u>Rushing Yds.</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Passing Yds.</u>	<u>Total Rushing and Passing</u>
L. Murphy	100	732	7.3	44	776
J. Etnier	96	558	5.8	167	720
T. Luallen	77	417	5.4	97	489
G. Archey				17	17
R. Schultz				45	45
TOTAL	273	1707	18.5	370	2047

9 Games

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rushing Yds.</u>	<u>Passing Yds.</u>	<u>Total Rushing and Passing</u>	<u>Punt Returns</u>	<u>Kick-off Returns</u>	<u>Total Yds. Gained</u>
Murphy	904	44	918	5	33	956
Etnier	784	167	951	64	35	1050
Luallen	476	97	573			573
Archey		43	43			43
Schultz		45	45			45
Mitchell				59	128	187
Mergenthaler				5		5
Bunyan					3	3
Freeman					45	45
TOTAL	2134	396	2530	133	244	2782

Scoring 8 Games

<u>Name</u>	<u>T.D.S.</u>	<u>P.A.T.</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
L. Murphy	12	5	77
J. Etnier	12	9	81
T. Luallen	8	3	51
E. Mitchell	4	2	26
R. Schultz	0	2	2
G. Archey	1	0	6
TOTAL	37	21	243