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Junior Red Cross Membership Campaign

The Jr. Red Cross council representatives were in charge of the Membership enrollment. Any person who contributed to the Pupil Civic Fund earlier this year, became a member of Junior Red Cross. There were many persons who wished to contribute directly to the Junior Red Cross during this drive. Johnny Appleseed members contributed \$21.92. We have 75% total school enrollment in Jr. Red Cross. These home rooms were 100%: Service Crew, 205, 203, 104, 103, Mechanical Drawing, 105, and 106.

Thursday, December 8th Miss Portia Schiller, local Junior Red Cross Director spoke to the Council. Dick Duffy, president, conducted the business meeting.

Wednesday, December 14th—the following Jr. Red Cross members spent the forenoon decorating the windows at the Castleoma Nursing Home: Kit Wilson, Dee Dee Roundtree, Judy Wilson, Janie Walker, Kathi Luisignan, Marilyn Miller and Janice Ball. Colorful Christmas designs were painted on the windows to cheer those who will be unable to get around to see the beautiful Christmas decorations in the stores and homes.

During January, the Junior Red Cross will fill gift boxes to be sent overseas.

HONOR ROLL

NINTH GRADE

John Burkhart, Howard Dennis Waite, Judith Alexander, Mary Lou Getz, Terry Mishey, Ellen Cooper, Joan Isaly, Jean Lewis, Alan Borcharding, James Coffey, Sally Hunter, Neil Baker, Connie Alexander, Judith Frederick, Mary Ann Price, Becky Spayde, Nancy Williams, Patsy Stallard, Billie Sue Baker, Kay Isaly, Diane Warga, Roger Haring, Terry Schmahl, James Basting, John Catlett and Holt Quinlan.

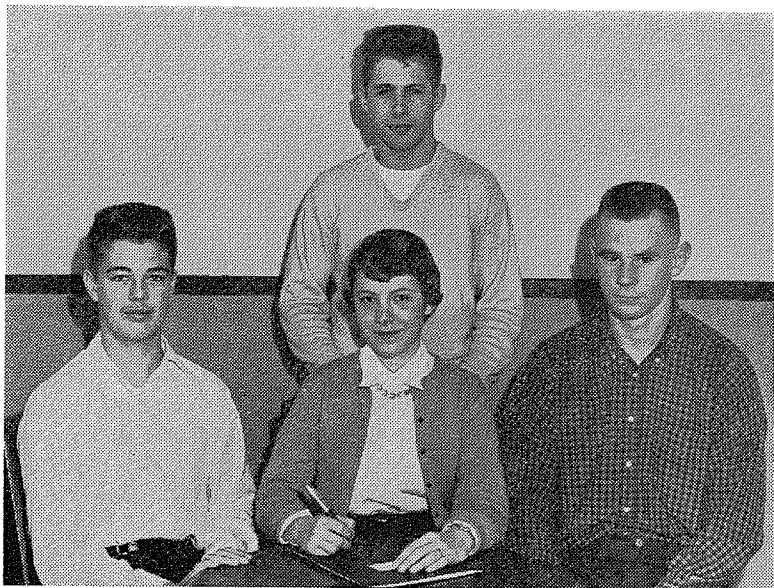
EIGHTH GRADE

Stephen Cairns, Ronald Landis, Nancy Bourns, Patricia Braddock, Judy Brukholder, Irene Gaalaas, Susan Miller, Betty Watson, Trudy Stough, Sam Campbell, Karen Beal, Sarah Evans, Peg Flowers, Margaret Johnson, Sally Mahoney, Sarah Oxman, Richard Bertka, Kent Jones, Sandy Mitchell, Bob Smith, Jerry Csordas, Miriam Negin, Mary Ann Russell, Joanne Thompson and Barbara Warden.

SEVENTH GRADE

David Gross, Josephine Hartman, Paula Leatherman, Susan Meredith, Kathi Williams, Wilma Bryner, Dorothy Davis, Robert Lewis, James Nelson, Lynda Rohn, Janice Wilson, Joan Veith, Mary Kay Maginniss, Margie Strong, Joan Wagner, Jame Rose, Patti Jo Alleman, Rebecca Black, Elaine Hyatt, Meredith Masquellier, Arthur Rainey, Douglas Spreng, Nancy Curl, Mary Alice Miller, Andreen Roundtree, Sharon Rupp and Charlene Moore.

OFFICERS ELECTED



Holt Quinlan

Terry Schmahl
Becky Graham

Don Monk

Becky Graham, Holt Quinlan, Terry Schmahl, and Don Monk Elected To Office By '55-'56 Ninth Graders

Becky Graham was recently chosen president of her ninth grade class. Holt Quinlan was elected vice president; Terry Schmahl was chosen secretary, and Don Monk won the election for treasurer.

Becky Graham has held school offices before, but they have been home room offices. A transfer from Simpson, Bcky was secretary of her home room there, and she was president of her home room here at Applesd last yar. Becky's activities here at school are rather varied ones. She is, for xample, a member of the Applseed Press Editorial Staff. She does reporting for the Press, has written a story (published last edition), and she and Becky Spayde write the weekly news column for the Mansfield News-Journal. Interested in art—and talented in it, too—Becky has made some of the attractive posters appearing around the school, advertising dances, etc. She is a Gym Leader and a member of Y-Teens.

She attends regularly her

church, the First Christian Church located at Mullberry and Fourth.

Among many hobbies, Becky says, she has two new ones that interest her especially. Sh coollects menus. (Restaurant owners take note!) Should she collect the recipes also—well, boys, keep your eyes open! Also, Becky collects bells and postcards. For recreation Becky likes tennis especially, enjoys dancing and basketball.

She comes from a small family, having two brothers and one sister. Asked to speak directly to the students, through the Press, Becky quickly asked to be quoted as follows:

"Thanks for voting for me, electing me your president. I shall try my best to do a good job.

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Fling Flung

The Student Council held a dance on November 9th, from 8:88 to 18:30 in the Appleseed Gym. The Student Council selected the name "Snow Flurry Fling" for the dance. The "Blue Notes" provirer the music. The gym was decorated in blue and white streamers, snowflakes, and a big snowman made by Andy Zimmerman was placed at one end of the gym. Becky Spayde was chairman of the decorating committie made up of all the ninth graders on the Student Council. The entertainment for the dance was a baton routine by Cinthia Craig and an accordin solo by Becky Spayde.

Television

T.V. watching is sometimes a problem. "I want to watch a play." "But the fights are on." Is this what happens in your home? If so, here are some of the things that will help you to decide who watches what. 1—If you've watched T.V. all day and Dad wants to watch the fights, give in and let him enjoy T.V. for a while.

Christmas Eve

At last is gone
The last minute rush,
And all are settled down;
No sound breaks the hush.

The children are asleep,
Most everyone is in bed;
But not old Santa
As he comes, all dressed in red.

Santa's got a load
Of outer space toys.
He leaves them for
All of the GOOD boys.

Little sister is dreaming
About shining ice skates;
The bigger sister about
Boy friends and dates.

Santa leaves them gifts
In all sizes and shapes,
Then up the chimney he rises

And into the night, escapes.
In the morning when
Under the tree we'll be peeping,
I'll bet old, tired Santa
Will be happily sleeping.

Jean Bargahiser

BECKY GRAHAM CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF NINTH GRADE 1955-1956

Holt Quinlan, Terry Schmahl, Don Monk Also Elected Heads

Ninth grade students recently elected their officers for this school year. Nominations were gained through each homeroom, ballots were tabulated and the list reduced in number of names. Final balloting was held, the results tabulated. Until this edition of the Appleseed Press came to the students, however, only a couple of persons knew who the officers were to be. It has been known what four students were elected to office by their classmates, but it has not been known to what office they were electd.

For further information concerning the offices to which they were elected, see story Page 1.

Ninth Grade Elects Advisors

Mrs. Hetrick and Mr. DuChemin have been chosen by the ninth grade students to be their advisors for this year. Mrs. Hetrick and Mr. DuChemin were chosen by the students in balloting colnducted last week through the ninth grade home rooms.

Mrs. Hetrick teaches Latin, Ninth Grade English, and has a ninth grade home room in Room 101. Mr. DuChemin teaches Dramatics, French, Ninth Grade English, is advisor to the Editorial Staff, and has a home room in Room 113.

Both the advisors agree that this year's ninth grade clasls is an enjoyable one, and they stand willing to help the class officers and students handle affairs that come before them.

Jitters In January?

Hear ye, hear ye, all ye hep-cats! Are you superstitious? Do broken mirrors dismay you? Do black cats scare you? Does Friday the 13th make you shiver? We hope not—at least not enough to keep you home on January 13, 1956, for that's the night the Appleseed Press is sponsoring its annual dance.

The Blue Notes will furnish the music. The dance will be in the school gym from 8 until 10:30 and is for Appleseed students only. Students will leave at intervals: seventh graders, 10:00; eighth graders, 10:15; ninth graders, 10:30. Admission will be seventy-five cents a couple for tickets purchased before the dance, ninety cents a couple if purchased at the

door. Refreshments will be sold.

The name of the dance? That's up to you. Or you. Or you. Don't foregt the "Name the Dance" contest. First prize will be two tickets and two cokes; second prize one ticket and one coke. The contest will be the first week in January so think up a winner! Plan to attend the dance and prove that the 13th can be lucky!

Singer Entertains

Johnny Appleseed's next assembly will be on January 16th. It will be a musical program by Charles E. King, a baritone singer. He will sing without accompaniment and teach some songs to his audience. He will also sing popular songs from Show Boat and will tell descriptive stories.

Mystery Student

Look what we have here girls! A 5' 5" tall, 8th grade student, weight 125 pounds, and he says the thing he likes best about Appleseed is *The Girls*. He hails from home room 215, and has light brown hair and blue eyes. The color of his hair might give you a clue to his nick name.



CHOIR ENTERTAINS



New Choir Featured In Annual Christmas Program By Students

The Christmas program for the P.T.A. December 15 and the assembly December 22 features the newly formed seventh grade choir and the eighth and ninth grade boys and girls glee clubs and ensembles.

The fifty members of the Ninth Grade Girls Glee Club directed by Miss Ellena Percy sing "A Joyous Christmas Song," "Precious Child So Sweetly Sleeping," and "Cradle Song of the Virgin," composed by Brahms.

Twenty-nine members of the ninth grade boys glee clubs present "Glory to God," "Crusaders Hymn," and possibly the "Halls of Ivy."

"Sleep Holy Babe" and "When Christmas Morn Is Dawning" will be sung by the two glee clubs combined.

The nine girls in the Ninth Grade Girls Ensemble tell of the

"Falling Snow." Their other song is "Behold I Stand at the Door and Knock."

The eight boys of the Ninth Grade Boys Ensemble sing "Winter Song."

One hundred and twenty eight eighth grade girls will sing "A Snow Legend" and "Jesus Christ Our Saviour Is Born." The "Country Carol" and "As Lately We Watched" are sung by the ensemble of twelve.

The Eighth Grade Boys Glee Club, numbering one hundred ten, sing "Mary Where's Your Baby," "Christmas Is Coming," and "Jingle Bells." The eight ensemble members sing Carol the Bells.

Students Place In Contest

On November 13, 1955 PAT HEASLEY, representing the First Presbyterian Church, and CYNTHIA CRAIG, representing the EUB Church, took part in the local Prince of Peace Contest. Both orations were "Love the Only Weapon," by JAMES GREENER. PAT rated first and competed again on December 11, 1955. They were the only ninth graders to take part. The Prince of Peace Contest was open to ninth graders and high school students.

Math Classes

The seventh grade math classes are studying decimals and percentages while the eighth grade is studying commission, discount, and margins.

The ninth grade Algebra students are learning how to make graphs and how to write equations using graphs. General Math classes are studying the process of managing accounts and budgets.

Orchestra Entertains

Appleseed's orchestra presented a Christmas program for their parents on the night of December 6th. The orchestra also played the opening music for the annual Christmas program December 22.

The officers and librarians for the coming year are: President, Terry Schmahl; vice-president, Laurel Davison; secretary-treasurer, Joan Ball. The librarians are: head librarian, Gwen Gadfield; assistants: Pat Palmer, Susan Weaver and Diane Spognardi.

The band held a skating party December 5th at the coliseum from 7:00 to 10:00.

The band also has elected their officers and librarians. President, Bob Massa; vice-president, Dave Lime; secretary-treasurer, Terry Mishey; head librarian, John Burkhardt; assistants, Joan Brumm, Sandra Snyder, Eileen Steinburg, David Beaver, Roger Broach, Janice Hissong and Ruth Kibler.

Some of the band members have gotten together and are hoping to have a dance band in the future.

Candy Making

In Miss Hopkin's and Miss Tucker's home economics classes the ninth graders are finishing their supper project and are going to start making candy.

Part of the eighth graders are finishing their skirts while the rest are working on good grooming. They are done with colors and are beginning fabrics.

The seventh graders are finishing their aprons.

Miss Fehr's Classes

Miss Fhr's English classes gave a Christmas Program Friday, the 16th of December, 1955. First they had a play which was put on by her 1 and 2, 4 and 5, and the 7 and 8 period English classes. This play was taken from the practical English books which we received. After the play each group of classes did a different thing. The seventh and eighth period class put on a little skit of their own, furnished by their chairmen, Nancy Lou Long. The other chairmen are Karen Simon, forth and fifth period class and Sarah Evans in the first and second period class.

BAND MEMBERS ENTERTAINED

On November 10, 1955 a party was given by the Jaycees for the members of the Appleseed, Simpson, Senior High, and Madison High marching bands. The main activities included dancing and door prizes. The refreshments were coke and potato chips.

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Constitution Topic

The eighth grade History classes will be studying the War of 1812, and the writing of the Constitution.

While the ninth grade Social Science classes will be studying the United Nations the way it operates and reports and the individual in the community along with the State Government, the different offices and the way the states are governed.

My Hobby

My hobby is horses — all kinds of horses. I have had this hobby since I was six years old. I have pictures and books of horses and also statues. The following magazines have proved very interesting: *The American Shetland Pony Journal*, *Turf* and the *Arabian Magazine*. I also have a book in which I write about certain horses that win handicaps and derbys.

Trudy Stough

Meals

Is mealtime a pleasant time at your house? Perhaps the following hints will help to make it more so:

- 1—Try to get home on time so no one will have to wait.
- 2—Don't talk about things which might hurt someone's feelings.
- 3—Keep the conversation pleasant.

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SHAKER SHOPPING

Collecting salt and pepper shakers is a highly interesting hobby. I became interested in them while on my western vacation. Since then many friends and relatives have added to the collection which now includes shakers from 18 states.

"SAFARI" TAKEN

On November 30th the students of Applesseed saw "The African Safari", a movie made by Mr. McLean.

Mr. McLean made the movie while in Africa and as he showed it to the students he narrated it. The movie was in color and was very exciting.

ELECTED TO OFFICE

QUINLAN HAS PUTT-PUTT

While he has no special hobbies, Holt Quinlan, the new ninth grade vice-president, reports some troubles with his "putt-putt" — a four - wheeled "automobile" powered for getting around a little more easily. Naturally, it is large enough to ride in — when it goes.

Captain of the Service Crew, Holt and his fellow crewmen have the task of getting things in order for assemblies, movies, recordings, etc., for the classes at Applesseed.

Holt, like Graham and the other officers, attends church — though Holt's church is the Congregational Church.

Monk: No Duck, No Luck

Don Monk reports that, while he has gone duck hunting and rabbit hunting, he's had no luck. As long as he doesn't try to fool someone by buying a duck with class funds, we will encourage his efforts! Don Monk is the new class treasurer, gaining the election over the other nominees.

While he has never before held a school office, Don was last year president of his Sunday School class at the First Lutheran Church.

Active in sports, Don likes Tennis, basketball, football, and swimming, with basketball as his favorite spectator sport.

These, then, are Applesseed's new Ninth Grade Officers. Our congratulations to them. We are proud to have two of them connected with our staff.

Schmahl Fiddles

Terry Schmahl now holds his third office at Applesseed. Presently his home room president, Terry is also president of the Applesseed Orchestra, in which he plays violin with considerable skill. Terry's activities here are also varied, since re was last year a very active contributor to the Press, bringing to life an otherwise very dead, almost non-existent sports page. He was made Sports Editor for this present year, and while not so active (because of heavy schedule of studies), has contributed to the paper. He has also been a member of the football team, playing guard position.

Among groups of which he is a member, Terry counts his church, where he attends Sunday School. He is also a member of Friendly House.

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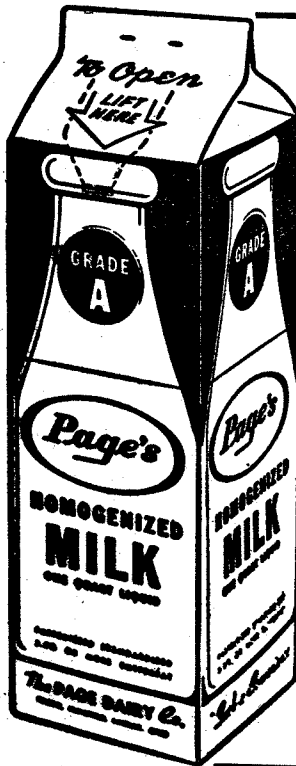
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Mrs. Harry Hostetler's homeroom, 105 has been quite busy during the holiday season bringing in gifts and money for needy families. Each was to bring in a gift consisting of toys or clothing.

A committee was selected by Mrs. Hostetler for organizing the process. Those on the committee are: chairman, Dennis Waite and assistants, Russel Webster, Terry Mishey, Monda Harden, Judy Alexander and Joan Ball. The purpose for the contributions is to provide a happy holiday season for those who are less fortunate than most. In the past Mrs. Hostetler's homeroom has worked toward the happiness of others. Last year the homeroom contributed quite a large sum to the Salvation Army which was used to enlighten the Christmas of some needy family.

Vocal Music News

The eighth grade boys carol classes are studying the background of America's patriotic songs.

Mrs. Clapp's recently formed seventh grade choir will sing O Little Town of Bethlehem, Christmas Bells, Dona Nobis Pacem, and Pray God Bless.

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NOEL

Christmas time! Now that joyous time is here again. Excitement fills the atmosphere around us. Soon the strains of familiar carols will fill the air. These are expressions of happiness, hope, love and almost every human feeling. Many of the oldest carols have no known history. No one knows who wrote the words or music of "The First Noel", a pastor in Oberndorf, Germany wrote the words to "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and the organist of the church wrote the tune. Caroling has been popular since the Middle Ages and the custom of receiving small gifts of nuts, raisins, or Christmas candies originated in England.

Each part of the world has its own way of celebrating Christmas. In the villages of France at the stroke of Midnight each villager lights his candle and solemnly makes his way to church to celebrate the Noel. Then with gaiety and excitement each returns home for a supper so joyous that it often lasts until morning. The roasting of a Christmas pig is an important ceremony in Poland. In Czechoslovakia a girl takes a twig from a cherry tree and places it in water on December 4—if it blossoms before Christmas Eve, it is believed the girl will marry during the year. In Hungary the family celebrates Christmas by giving a play about the birth of Christ.

There are many ways we appreciate the Spirit of Christmas. The way we wrap so beautifully the gifts we've carefully chosen for our favorite friends and loved ones . . . each card we receive bringing pleasant thoughts of the ones who sent it. The decorations in city, town or village adding to the holiday spirit. A White Christmas is longed for by every boy and girl. This means skating, sleigh-riding, skiing, building snowmen and making "angels" in the snow. But amid all the excitement of Christmas parties, dances and Santa's surprises, we shouldn't forget the real meaning of Christmas.

The Christmas Idea

The wind was blowing wildly through Duquey, a small fishing village, population 123, settled deep in the far reaches of the North Pole. This town, built around an Army Weather Station, consists of—well, let's go there!

Walking down its single street . . . look—there's the combination Post Office and Trading Post on our right. Beside it stands the small Church School for the native children of this French fishing village. Far on the left almost hidden by the Weather Station is the barber shop run by Jon LaCher, the temperamental, middle-aged Frenchman, who is a good friend of the Army weathermen. There are perhaps twenty houses huddled as if to keep warm around the "business section" of Duquey.

Now let's visit the Weather Station. As we draw near, we can hear voices from within . . . "Sure, if we all chip in, we can give a swell party for these children," says "Doc", the slightly fat, but jolly, young doctor who seems to be leading this conversation among the seven men seated around a small table. "I'll even be Santa Claus."

Seated beside Doc is Dick Burke, the young, handsome meteorologist. "That's a swell idea, Doc, and I'm sure Jean will bake some cookies."

"Always the willing fiancée, eh Dick? Lucky she was assigned to teach in OUR church school instead of one twenty miles away!" razzed the others.

"If you guys think I'm going to chip in even a penny, you're crazy! This whole idea is for the birds! Who ever heard of such a stupid idea?" jeers Jon LaCher.

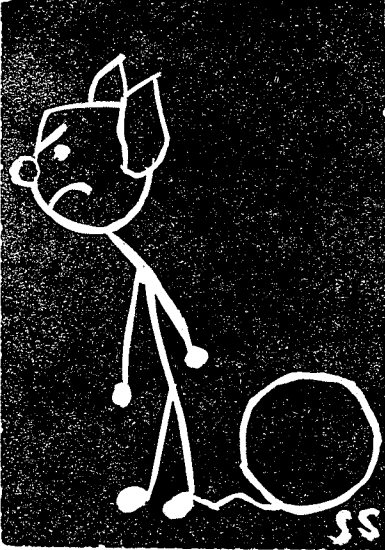
(Sounds like this LaCher fellow

isn't in such a good mood. The others are agreeing; why not he?)

There is a babble of excitement as the children come, full of laughter and gaiety, into the cheerfully decorated Weather Station. After a series of games followed by refreshments, there comes a loud knock and a harty "HO! HO!" and in comes Santa bearing gifts for all. But as the evening wears on the men notice that the children seem to be disappearing! Furthermore, a search of the Station reveals that their coats, boots and mittens are missing too! Looking out the door—"Say, aren't those children's footprints in the snow? Let's follow them."

They lead directly to the barber shop which now has smoke curling from the pipe chimney of the pot-bellied stove. Quiet, now! Let's sneak in and see what's going on. Can you believe it? That's Jon LaCher with all the children seated around him. Oh, there's Tiny Muckluck, his adopted Eskimo son, perched on the barber chair high above the others. And what's Jon telling them? Why it's the Christmas Story!

"Why, Jon," says Dick, "Aren't you the one who thought this party idea was strictly for the birds?" Jon, with his head lowered and eyes to the floor, answers, "I was too proud to admit it, but being a poor barber with four children to support, I couldn't give money, but I did want to help and I'm doing so in the best way I can."



This Is T.B.

Hello! I'm a little T. B. germ. My name is Tubercle, Tubercle Bacillus in full. I'm a rod-shaped parasite, 1-8000 of an inch long. I live in George Smith's lungs. George is twenty-two years old. We usually get in people who are between the ages of fifteen to thirty-four.

George's uncle, John Smith, from Maine, came to visit George for two weeks. He slept in the same room with George. It was not known that I was in John's lungs and that he had tuberculosis. One night when John was coughing (he coughed quite a bit every night) I flew right into George's nostril. First I settled on his tonsils. Then some of my friends and I were carried by blood from the tonsils to the lungs and there we infected his lungs. Cavities and ulcers quickly form when we begin to die and become infected.

Groups of cells are formed when my friends and I invade the tissues of the body. When a hard tissue is formed around my friends and me, the person can resist us. But I don't think George can resist us because he stays up late at night, gets up early in the morning, and he does not have a well-balanced diet.

The kind of T.B. we gave him is chronic T.B. which is not as serious as some types. After we had lived in George about seven months, he lost weight, had a tired feeling, and a poor appetite. His cough at first was dry, but it soon became worse.

Oh, how I hate that famous German, Robert Koch! I remember very clearly on that March day of 1882 when in the Berlin newspaper it announced the discovery of tuberculosis. I love to think of how much fun we could have had playing around in people's lungs if that hadn't been discovered. These days we must work, work, work to stay alive; never play. They have even discovered if a person lives out-of-doors a long time, in a dry climate, sun bathes often, diets carefully and is free of mental worry, it can kill us! Just think, kill us!

Gosh! I'm getting dizzy; everything's fuzzy. George used the open-air treatment. I thought I was too tough to die, but I'm not. He used streptomycin. It killed my friends and now I'm dying. I guess George has recovered. Goodbye! Heaven help a sinner like me.



Tuberculosis - Unnecessary

The night was cold and wet, Larry trudged on along the crowded New York wayfair, he sneezed, and sent 10 million satanic tuberculosis germs spinning on a hectic mission of evil, death, and destruction.

Larry Blake, age 31, was a carrier of one of the world's most serious diseases, Chronic Tuberculosis. Larry was unaware of his horrible sickness which made him a potential murderer. For days Larry had felt constantly tired, his appetite was poor and he suffered a steady loss of weight. He had a dry, rough cough which produced a yellowish sputum often discolored with blood, raised from his lungs. Late in the day Larry usually had a high, irritating fever and felt sharp in his lungs. But all of this he brushed off as a common cold, hardly realizing that death could occur unexpectedly at any time as a result of a hemorrhage of exhaustion. Larry was indirectly a weapon of turmoil and wickedness, to himself, and to society.

And yet, all this could never have existed if Larry Blake had known the signs and symptoms of tuberculosis, and gotten an early diagnosis. Clinics throughout the country offer free X-ray which will show the infected areas. Had Larry been more careful about sneezing and spitting, hundreds of people might have been spared a life of misery.

A T.B. patient should be in a sanitarium in a warm dry climate, any articles that he touches should be sterilized or destroyed, he should come in contact with as few people as possible.

First Tree Appears In Wooster

In 1847 — 108 years ago — in Wooster, Ohio the first American Christmas Tree was believed to have been decorated for the Yuletide Season.

A tree was nothing new as a symbol of a religious festival, for back in the pagan days, which was when people were professing another religion besides the Christian religion, the tree was a symbol long before it became identified with the Christian beliefs.

A young German immigrant, August Imgard, was the one who introduced the Christmas Tree to America. August was born in Bavaria and at the age of 21 sailed to America to join his family who lived in Wooster. Young August became somewhat dismal at the anticipation of the oncoming Christmas season, so he decided to have a tree as he had had in Germany.

He went into the woods and chopped down a spruce tree. A star made of tin was placed at the top of the tree, and decorations were made of paper, candles were placed on the tree and on December 24—the night before Christmas—1947 America's first Christmas Tree glowed in all its glory.

The people of Wooster all flocked to the Imgard home to see this beautiful tree. The next year the village was bright with a Christmas Tree in every home.

New symbols succeeded those of the old days. The star which crowns the tree, that announced to the shepherds of the birth of the Christ-child. The presents which are placed under the tree represent the gifts the wise men presented to Jesus. The Harold Angilis, the Lamb of the Shepherds, and the Anchor of Hope are seen as decorations on today's Christmas Tree.

Tickets Please

Why not plan a round trip to the first man-made space-satellite station? The cost will be only \$55,000.00.

This large sum of money was estimated by space flight experts. If you would prefer cheaper rates, why not a one-way ticket (that is, if you have always had a desire for a new life and to "get away from it all")

Seriously, have you ever thought what the near future will be like? For example, techniques for "trapping" the sun's energy will produce better and larger agricultural crops. This is done with highly polished and coal dust painted mirrors.

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Too Old To Write?

Dear Santa,

Tho' I'm past the age of writing to you

Here's a few things I hope you will do

This Christmas while you're traveling around

And heaving gifts all over town

Please leave Mr. Kissel the best on your sleigh,

And to Mrs. Hetrick a pen which will mark only an "A".

For Mr. DuChemin a pair of dark glasses

So he can't see what goes on in his classes.

To Miss Wheeler a television set

Then she won't get her papers graded. (I'll bet.)

Victories for our team the rest of the year.

And for all the students good luck and much cheer.

So here, dear Santa, is my letter to you

With love and kisses, Becky Lou.

By Becky Graham

Dance A Success

Do you think the closed dances are a good idea? The Student Council recently had a closed dance and it turned out to be a very good one. There was hardly any roughness or confusion. Do you think this was because it was a closed dance? With 1,200 students already in Appleseed there is not much room for many more from other schools to come to our dances. There would not be any room to dance if there were many more. Some of the students have gone to the advisor of the group sponsoring the dance and asked if they could bring a guest from outside. If a person is nice enough to ask if they can bring a guest they should be allowed to do so, and I'm sure the person they will bring will not cause any rumpus. Some students from other schools in Mansfield have said to the students here at Appleseed that they thought we were very selfish not to invite them when they invite us. There is just not enough room or I'm sure they would be welcome to come.

Dream Girl

Personality — Kay Isaly
Figure — Nancy Williams
Legs — Jean Barganiser
Hair — Pat Brandt
Eyes — Ruthie Wolf
Smile — Marcia Miels
Teeth — Tud Barker
Complexion — Brenda Siebert
Athletic Ability — Judy Schwan
Sense of Humor — Karen Bolesky
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Brains — Becky Graham
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Hi, Kids,

In a short while Santa Claus will be dropping down everyone's chimney! (At least we hope so!) A nice gift to receive is a skirt and sweater set. They come in all the dreamy colors you can think of, including every shade of blue, and melon.

I'm sure any girl would like to get a new skirt or sweater. These are seen in most any color, with quite a few favoring charcoal brown and plaids. Some girls have been wearing collars or chokers with sweaters.

Most girls have been getting their heels or flats for the season. Some prefer leather heels, others suede. Ninth graders usually wear 2 or 2½" French heels, eighth graders, 1 or 1½" and seventh graders, flats.

Well, that's all for this issue. Merry Christmas!

Brenda

Dream Boy

- Personality — Cotter Rainey
- Build — Dick Duffy
- Hair — Bob Packham
- Eyes — Holy Quintan
- Smile — George Garber
- Teeth — Roger Haring
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Hamburgers, french fries, salad, milk, and candy were served at a long table decorated with candles. The guests were entertained by dancing and playing records. Carol received many very lovely gifts.
Those who attended were: Pat Palmer, Carol Parkhill, Nancy Lou Long, Susan Weaver, Diane Spognardi, Susan Miller, Judy Kiley, Susan Reiland, Frances Turner, Betty Watson, and the honoree.

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- MISS IDOINE—Anything.
- MISS GUISENGER—A new gym teacher who won't beat me up. (Why don't you lay off, Miss Winget.)
- MR. SEIBERT — A little bit of time to think of what I want for next Christmas.
- MR. REGULA—Happiness in the world.
- MRS. LARUE — A poinsetta to bloom for Christmas.
- MR. SICKAFUS—A nice Christmas for everyone.
- MR. PIVAL—Health and happiness for everyone; peace among nations; and a red necktie.
- MRS. McGEE—New clothes.
- MRS. MAHONEY—A new car.
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Color T.V. is slowly picking up. About 10 hours of it is telecast each week, including many of the special events and 90 minute features. However, there are only about 30,000 color sets now in the United States, and with the price around \$900 it is unlikely that there will be a mad rush to buy them. Color programing is drawing criticism from many viewers of black and white sets, they complain of fuzziness during color shows. N.B.C. admits that fuzziness may exist at times because the shows are picked up on three separate tubes; one red, one blue, and one green. Occasionally the picture may slip out of line, causing color fringing on color receivers and fuzzing on black and whites . . .

The so-called adult westerns are rapidly becoming very popular and are put in key viewing spots. Television now lists such shows as "Gunsmoke", "Wyott Earp", "Frontier", and "Cheyenne" . . .

The annual Sylvania Awards for outstanding television shows during the year lists "Peter Pan" as the show of the year, "The \$64,000 question" as the best new T. V. show, "You'll Never Get Rich" as the best comedy show, "The Ed Sullivan Show" as the best variety entertainment, "Voice of Firestone" for the best musical series, "Mickey Mouse Club" as the best network children's show, and "Home" as the best woman's show . . .

Going along with the big giveaway shows they're now planning a show on the Political Campaigns, a weekly program is in the works titled "Presidential Sweepstakes", in which fabulous prizes will be awarded to the first 10 persons who accurately fore-

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Discount Card Given

Student discount cards from the local movie theaters were obtained for the seventh grade students through the efforts of Miss Ruby Johnson's homeroom.
The obtaining of the cards was turned into an English project and with the help of their English teacher, Mr. Frank Pival, three committees were chosen. The first was to ask Mr. Kissel if seventh grade students were entitled to the tickets. Those who served on this committee were Jean Flowers, chairman, Bernard Graska, and Shari Lanning. The second committee, Joann Boliantz, chairman, and Susie Christy, were to ask Mr. Davis how many seventh graders are enrolled. Jean Borders and Susie LeMunyon who secured the cards from the managers of the theaters constituted the third committee. Thank you letters will be written to the theater managers.
At the end of school last summer all students of Appleseed received discount cards.
A discount of 15c is given in the evening to the holder of the card.

cast the presidential and vice presidential nominees . . .

Warner Brothers is going to spend \$1,000,000 to promote a feature version of the "Lone Ranger", for this price they could turn out 33 regular episodes . . .

A Marietta, Ohio, husband was awarded a divorce on the grounds that his wife watched T.V. far into the night and would permit him to talk to her only during commercials . . .

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TRIO ENJOYED

hattan Trio gave an assembly for the students.
The Trio is made up of Gloria Gargani, Robert Diel, and Robert Aspoeh Newell. Miss Gargani is a soprano, Mr. Diel a baritone. Mr. Newell accompanied them on the piano. Miss Gargani, Mr. Diel, and Mr. Newell have performed for colleges all over the United States; they have been on television and on radio. They have also been with Opera Houses, at Clubs, with Festivals, and Orchestras.
Miss Gargani and Mr. Diel sang selections from South Pacific, Show Boat, and Oklahoma. A few of the songs were "Some Enchanted Evening" sung by Mr. Diel, "We Could Make Believe" sung by both Miss Gargani and Mr. Diel, and a Medley of songs from the Broadway Production of Oklahoma. Mr. Newell played a medley of songs on the piano. They closed the program with "Sweetheart."

Home room 101 has elected its officers. Reigning as president is Nancy Williams. Joe Zuber is secretary-treasurer and Mary Ann Price is sergeant of arms. The Red Cross representative is Ken Frisbee. Becky Spayde is Student Council representative.

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What Comes Before A Play?

It is easy to think of actors as people who speak lines or who learn to put a little feeling into lines as they speak them.

When you watch a play, you are watching the product of many things other than learning lines. To learn one's lines require memorization, and that is all that is required. To speak a line in a convincing manner requires much more.

Those who are good readers with some imagination and understanding are those who perhaps do the best job of putting across lines. In the first place, the alert reader is one who notices that the play or story contains different persons and their relationship to each other. One must ask whether John and Mary are "connected" by anger, hatred, love, indifference, jealousy, or some combination of these.

If you are reading a story, you must learn to be sensitive to these relationships. But, more than that, you must be sensitive to the kind of situation. You know that some kinds of plays do not interest you. Perhaps you have lost interest in a play that is "too adult." This doesn't mean that you are not really grown up in any way. It means simply that you must wait until you are older to be sensitive to the meaning of the situation the play centers in. Some kinds of situations we all enjoy, and parents and children may therefore be found enjoying the same play—a mystery, a comedy, a tragedy, or a love story. It is probably true that there are not more than about two hundred basic possible in the world, yet the number of kinds of conditions and circumstances where these plots may unfold is practically without limit.

The second thing to note in reading, as in acting, is just what kind of character the one in question really is. Is he (or she) Shy? Timid? Bold? Despotic? Kind? Mean? The jealous type? Fun-loving? Some other type? One then must study people of the type decided upon, learning thus what they do, say, attempt to do, etc.

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Recommended Reading.

Linda Jordan: Lawyer was written by Jean Libman Block and is one of many books in a series entitled *A Romance for Young Moderns*.

Linda Jordan was a student at Carlton University Law School. She and Joe Anselmo work together to dissolve a syndicate that was planning to take control of the town government. Linda becomes involved with the leader, Wilson Cameron, and ends up in trouble with Joe and Wilson Cameron.

We see the world differently. Yet the good actor must keep his character real enough and common enough to be recognized. He dare not portray his character *only* as he alone sees him. If he does, he might act, but he will not arouse in his audience the feelings he wants to arouse.

There is, indeed, much more that could be said about just the business of getting going on lines, yet the above two major points—being sensitive to relationships, plots, etc., and making a character real, convincing, recognizable—are good for starting.

All the movements you see on the stage do not just happen. They are carefully planned for. The actors must learn not only lines which speak ideas, but they must learn actions which show what is meant. Sometimes, as any reader of this story knows, actions speak louder than words.

Those who have put on plays for assembly have agreed that there is more fun than work, for they can feel and watch themselves change; they can begin to tell when characters begin to hold together, fit together, or fall apart.

We hope that as you watch television, listen to radio, watch performers at assembly, and watch future plays by the dramatics classes you will enjoy them more as those who present them enjoy getting them ready.

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More and more boys seem to be wearing "khakis". (I especially like the aqua ones.)

Saddles seem to be the boys' choice of shoes this year, although a lot are wearing white bucks and the "old stand by" loafers.

V-necks, Continental, and flashy shirts are still the rage.

The two newest editions to the masculine fads are the long k chains and the Swiss Alps hats. (The latter, are usually in corduroy with a feather.)

The colorful, narrow belts add the finishing touch to the boy's ensemble.

My Favorite Hobby

A member of The Appleseed Press staff asked me to write about my hobbies. Like most fellows my age, I have more hobbies than I have time for.

It has been hard for me to choose between photography, chemistry, and stamp collecting. However, I believe stamp collecting has been most interesting.

I started to collect stamps when I was nine years old. It made me appreciate Geography and Current Events. I have approximately 3,000 stamps, from 125 countries plus the Vatican and United Nations.

I have friends save stamps for me, especially those who have correspondence with foreign countries.

Last year I decided to specialize in United States stamps. I have 200 in a separate album, some very old ones and many commemorative blocks including a Stephen Foster commemorative.

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I have two baby black rabbits for my hobby. When I first got them I kept them in a cardboard box but I soon learned that they could chew a hole in the box and get out.

My father then built a cage in our garage. The cage should be big and made of wood and wire. The best blessing is straw. Here is some of the food they eat: rabbit pellets, crackers, bread, carrots, grass and leaves, lettuce and celery but not too much greens because they can become very sick. You should keep a small block of salt and some fresh water in the cage.

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One Act Plays Given

On November 23rd, the two Dramatic classes presented two one act plays.

The Monday and Tuesday class presented the "Pajama Party" a comedy and mystery play combined by Anne Coulter Martens. The setting of the play was Ginny's bedroom and the cast was as follows: Ginny, Sally Fighter; Sandy, Barb Boenau; Nan, Judy Alexander; Phyllis, Nancy Ur-schel; Becky, Joan Isaly; Carla, Cynthia Craig; Ellie, Carol Brubaker, and Ginny's mother, Monda Harden.

The Thursday's and Friday class presented "The Downstairs Window" a one act comedy by Elizabeth Hicks. This play took place in a college dormitory. The cast was as follows: Pam, Pat Mengert, Mac, Becky Spayde; Verne, Suzanne Doppelt; Gail, Annette Herring; Chee-Chee, Kay Maglott, and Mrs. Manners, Judy Lewis.

In the future the two classes will present two more one act plays for the students. In class they will make tape recordings of plays and present them over the intercom. They also hope to present some one act plays for the P.T.A.

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The Hornets tallied the first two pointers and held a commanding lead all the way, sparked by Ace Guard Roberts 15 points. Coming in to the second half Mount Vernon led 19 to 11 and continued to pull away as the Pioneer sharp shooters could not hit the mark.

The Appleseed scoring was led by Darrell Hill with 12 points.

Mount Vernon also managed to grab the reserve contest with a thrilling 31 to 29 overtime victory, although Appleseed's Kent Jones set the pace with a thrilling 17 points.

Browns Tops

December 26 climaxes a roaring 1955 Pro grid season, at which time the ever powerful Cleveland Browns, Eastern Champions, will meet a strong Los Angeles Ram 11, Western Conference leader.

This will be the Brown's sixth try for the National Football League crown and a chance to come out fifty-fifty. Since 1950, the Clevelanders have won only twice, against the Rams in 1950, and Detroit in 54. In between they were defeated by Los Angeles once, and by the Lions in two contests.

91,000 fans watched the Los Angeles squad clinch the western title by taking the Green Bay Packers 31-17, to finish with an 8-3-1 season record. The second place Chicago Bears were narrowly edged out with an 8-4 post season reading, Green Bay followed in third with the Baltimore Colts winding up in the forth slot.

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Teamwork is necessary for success in playing basketball. A player who tries to perform as an individual rather than as a member of a team all working together will not add to the team.

Each team defends his basket. The object is to get the ball through the opponents basket. Players are not allowed to carry the ball but to get the ball around the players must dribble the ball or pass it.

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Leader of The Month

Sandy Snook has been chosen the leader of the month. Sandy hails from home room 113. She is a member of Y-Teens. Sandy states that collecting records is her hobby and her pastime is talking on the telephone. Her favorite sport is baseball while her preferred subject is gym.

Boy's Gym

Seventh, Eighth and Ninth grade boys will start tumbling on December 5.

After the holidays the boys and girls will learn square dancing and folk dancing.

On January 30 the boys will begin working on the trampolline. Occasionally games, such as dodge ball, will be played.

Athlete of Month

If you look in room 211 you will find that Cindy Stewart is very happy being chosen eighth grade athlete of the month. Cindy is a Girl Scout and a member of Y-teens. Her most liked sport is swimming while her choice for top subject is gym. Cindy states that collecting stamps is her favorite hobby. Her preferred pastime is roller-skating. Cindy's most embarrassing moment is when she took hold of a boys' hand and thought it was her girlfriend's hand.

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Athlete of Month

Jeanie Flowers has been chosen 7th grade athlete of the month. Jeanie's home room is the cafeteria. Her favorite sport is swimming and her most liked subject is math. She states babysitting as her hobby and Art Rainy as her pastime. Jeanie's most embarrassing moment is when she walked into the boys' restroom by mistake.

Month's Athlete

Jean Bargahiser from room 104 has been chosen 9th grade Athlete of the Month. Jean is a member of Y-Teens. She states that swimming and baseball are her favorite sports. Her preferred subject is General Science. Collecting wish-bones is her hobby and listening to records is her pastime.

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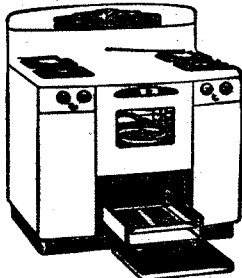
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Seventh grade English classes are doing the following:

Mrs. Haber's students will start writing social and pen pal letters, and also start reading Unit 3. Miss Loesch's will be writing social letters and reading stories. They've been working on their Christmas program. Mr. Pival's will work on transitive verbs. Mr. Seibert's have just finished making explanations in class and will be continuing in grammar study.

Eighth grade pupils are studying many things:

Mrs. Hoffman's classes are preparing book reports on books in the library and will be diagramming direct and indirect objects. Mrs. LaRue's will work on diagramming. Mrs. McGee's classes will be working on conjugation of verbs and the plural and possessive forms of nouns. Miss Idoine's will be writing letters. Mr. Garnes' will be working on parts of speech, letter-writing and oral work in conversation. Miss Fehr's have enjoyed writing original stories, many based on real incidents. The many based on real incidents. They've been studying the Christmas story, "Two Performance" and will have programs on December 16. They are working in the verb unit.

Ninth grades have an interesting course:

Mrs. Hetrick's classes have finished verbs and have been reading mystery stories. Mrs. LaRue's will study verbs. Mrs. Hostetler's have

Council Capers

The Student Council is busy preparing handbooks which will serve as guides for seventh graders next year, and for new members entering our school. It will include information on how to enter different organizations, requirements for Citizenship awards, etc. as well as a guide throughout the school.

The Student Court is running quite smoothly. So far it has tried fifteen cases with little trouble, as the students brought in have cooperated well. The court has hopes of eliminating all running, fighting, writing on desks, etc. If everyone would cooperate, there would be no need for a court.

A new sales tax stamp contest will be started soon, so **SAVE THOSE STAMPS!**

been concentrating on parts of speech and paragraph writing. They will also read short stories. Mr. DuChemin's have been compounding information found by tape recordings, manuals and guidance materials for the 8th and 9th graders to use in choosing subjects and courses of study in high school. Mr. Garnes' will be working orally on verbs, vocabulary, conversation and speaking.

Recommended Reading.

Wait for Marcy, by Rosamond Du Jardin portrays the many happy events and problems that any American teenage girl might expect.

During these hilarious, domestic experiences, the main character, Marcy, her brother, Ken, her boy friend, Steve, and her best friend, from a glamorous, yet somewhat-problem cousin from New York.

Some of Marcy's dating experiences lead to crisis after the plotting of her brother, Ken. The Junior Prom, a visiting man, and the Country Club dance are only a few of Marcy's experience the reader wouldn't want to miss.

Wait for Marcy is available at most stores and will probably soon be at public libraries. This book makes an excellent Christmas present for a girl.

WHISPERS

1. We wonder who Louise Lutz's secret "A" is?
2. What's this we hear about Kay Schoenman and Carl Dovenbarger????
3. Why has Becky Cole been going around singing BOB-I-O instead of DAD-I-O??? (What about it Bob Stephan?)
4. Why was Janice Sqrow sitting at the lunch table staring at Mr. Collier? Could it be she has a crush on him or is it she just wants better grades!!!! (How about that Jan?)
5. When is Helen Hunter going to make up her mind whether she likes Jim or Dick Goff???
6. Mark Lapine is still trying to catch Nancy Bourns. (Why won't you bite, Nancy??)

Service The Goal

The service crew aids the school in many ways. To be a member one must have grade standards of A's and B's.

The main object of the crew is to show movies, film strips, and at all times to help with school stage productions. These boys also use the school's equipment.

Crew members are Holt Quinlan, Dave Adams, Jim Miller, Bob MacLaren, Bernard Webb, Bill Goldman, Lynn Keller. John Roby, Jim Schrader, John Garber, and Rick Martin.

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