

## Music Groups Combine for Assembly

The John Simpson Orchestra and vocal groups will present an assembly May 15. On the orchestra's program is a variety of songs which includes the **West Point Song** by Romberg, **Rumanian Overture** by Isaac, **The Stately Dance** by Reed, **Schubert's Gay Parade**, **Didon** by Piccini, **The Three Little Pigs**, a musical ar-

range by Foreman and **The Balkan Suite** by Wilson.

The eighth grade glee club will sing two spirituals, **Swing Low, Sweet Chariot** and **We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder**. Other numbers include **When Children Pray** by Fenner and **Sonatina** by Daugherty. As a special addition Patrick O'Brien, a seventh grader, will be featured as soloist with the glee club in the song **Annie Laurie** by Scott.

The ninth grade choir is scheduled to sing several songs. They are: **Christus Factus Est** by Dubois, **Adoramus to Christ** by Simone, **The Lord's Prayer** by Malotte, and two songs by Romberg, **Softly as in a Morning Sunrise** and **The Drinking Song** from the musical **Student Prince**.

## Date Set for Prom

The night of June 13 has been chosen as the tentative date for the ninth grade prom. Plans are just being developed and will be more fully described in the June 6 issue of the paper.

Buddy Houston's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing during the evening.

Teacher committees have been announced but student members have not yet been chosen. On the Food Committee are: Mrs. Helen Perrill, chairman, Mrs. Eleanor Lime, and Mrs. Beatrice Mitchell; Decoration Committee, Mr. Frank Daniels and Mr. Gilbert Morgan, co-chairmen, Miss Hester Robinson, Miss Kay Butler, Miss Margaret Maul, and Mr. Hobart Lime; Door—Mr. Gordon Thompson; Music—Mrs. Frances Schultz; Chaperones—Mr. and Mrs. John Carothers, Mr. and Mrs. James Lymper, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Davis.

The committee has requested that students remember that no formals or corsages will be permitted.

## Ed Staff Members Attend NOSP Clinic

Twenty-seven members of the Editorial Staff of **The Times** and their chaperones will travel to Kent State University a week from tomorrow to attend the Northeastern Ohio Press Clinic.

Each year a pre-clinic contest for various types of articles published in the papers is held. Articles by the following students have been entered in this contest: News—Linda Calver; Editorial—Karen Cline; Feature—Dixie Lang; Column—Pat Crumrine; Sports—Molly Park; Story of Clinic—Linda Hahn; Photography—Bob Leibbrand.

Dixie Lang, Diana Doerrer, and Shirley Reiter will write "on-the-spot" articles during the day.

Pre-clinic awards will be presented at the morning meeting while awards for the writings and photography of the day will be given at 4 o'clock when the more than 1,000 students and advisors meet in the auditorium.

## Classes Stage May Spelling Contests Choose Representatives

Seventh grade English classes are busy choosing two best spellers and two alternates for the Spelling Bee May 9 while the eighth graders are doing the same in preparation for May 10. Both Bees will be in the auditorium.

The committee in charge has announced the following rules:

1. In the seventh grade words will be taken from the regular spelling book. When all these words have been pronounced, the eighth grade book will be used.

2. Eighth grades words will be taken from the regular speller for the grade. Ninth grade books will be used when those words are all used.

3. Students must pronounce the word, spell it, and then repeat it.

## Bands Present Spring Concert

The seventh, eighth, and ninth grade bands are presenting their Annual Spring Concert on May 7 at 8:00 p.m.

They will play the waltz from "Eugene Onegin" by Steg Tschakowsky, "Swing a Tune" by David Glovers, "Carnival for Trumpets" by John Kinyon, "The Dog Show" or "Oh Where, Oh Where Has My Little Dog Gone?" by Carl Frangkiser, "Time Out for Jam Session" by James E. Handlon, "A Trumpeter's Lullaby" by Anderson, "The Black Night" by Grundman, "Music Campers' March," by Akers, "Parade of Icicles," by Debrick, and "Me-deira," by Sousa.

## Coming Events

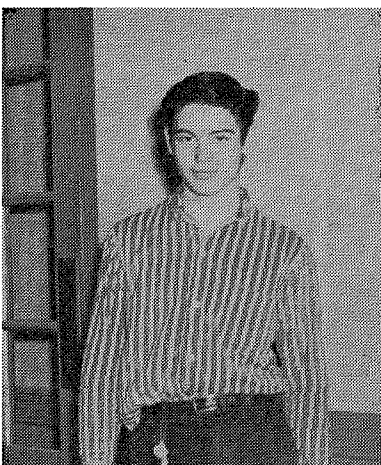
- April 19—Easter Assembly  
—Begin vacation
- April 20—Mansfield Relays
- April 22—Track  
Lexington
- April 27—Kent Clinic
- April 29—End vacation  
—Track  
Union
- May 7—Concert  
Simpson Band
- May 9—Spelling Bee  
Seventh grade
- May 10—Spelling Bee  
Eighth grade
- May 10—Dance
- May 11—Band Members  
to Millersburg
- May 15—Assembly  
Orchestra and Vocal
- May 24—Dance
- May 30—Vacation  
Armed Forces Day
- June 5—'Times' Banquet
- June 6—Awards Assembly

4. The student may not start a word over, repeat a word, or any letters after he has started it.

Miss Violet Chokreff is the co-ordinator for the contests. Serving with her as judges for the seventh grade are Mrs. Lois McCullough, Miss Elsie McFadden, and Mrs. Virginia Allen.

Eighth grade judges are Mrs. Frances Schultz, Mr. W. Kenneth Shanks, and Mr. Ray Gerrell.

## Courage, Quick Thinking Save Life



Bill poses for the photographer outside home room 110

### Judy Radick

Proof that all heroes are not grown-ups and that teen-agers do worthwhile things was shown by Bill Brinkman, an eighth grade student from home room 110, on March 16.

On that day Bill saved six-year

## Y-Teens Give Easter Assembly Program

"Lighting Candles in Our World" is the theme of the Easter assembly, sponsored by the Y-Teens, to be held in the auditorium at 9:30 this morning.

Linda Pfahler will open the program by giving the introduction with Diana Keefer reading the Scripture. Becky Newman will give the Responsive Reading.

Conducted by Miss Emelie Severson, the ninth grade choir will sing **Christus Factus Est** by Dubois and **Christ the Lord Is Risen Today** from Lyra Davidica.

Jean Martin and Tom Lindsay on alto saxophones, Robert Brandenburg on a tenor sax, and Barbara Garber on a baritone sax will play **God of Our Fathers** by Werren and **Vesper Moods** by Harris.

Following up the theme, Mr. Edgar Torrence, general secretary of the YMCA, will speak.

Sharyn Pasheilich will sing a solo, accompanied on the piano by Karen Michener, and Geraldine Bell will give the prayer.

## Students to Taste Campus Life in June

For the twelfth year the School of Journalism at Ohio University, in Athens, Ohio, will have a six-day workshop, June 16-23, for members of school paper and yearbook staffs.

Last year 1,024 workshopppers from 253 schools took advantage of the opportunity and visited the School of Journalism.

Each workshopper attends classes for one of the following classifications: Regular Printed Newspaper, Offset Printed Newspaper, Mimeographed Newspaper, Yearbook, Photography, Radio-TV and Yearbook.

During the week three newspapers will be published. They are "The Workshopper," the "Offset Gazette," and the "Streamliner."

Many good times including, shows, dances, and picnics are planned for the workshopppers.

Simpson students have been attending these workshops for the last four years and will attend this year.

## 2 Teachers Become Guidance Counselors

A new title is making itself heard in each of the junior high schools and senior high school. That title is "Guidance Counselor." For the first time in the history of the Mansfield Public Schools the position of Guidance Counselor is being filled—one for boys and one for girls.

At Simpson Mr. Wilbur Young will counsel both boys and girls this year, helping them with their problems. Next year Mrs. Virginia Kirby will help the girls as their counselor.

The job of Guidance Counselor covers schedule changes, matters of a personal nature which are causing a student to have trouble in being a happy person, and helping students in getting acquainted with Simpson. This will include the new seventh graders.

Mr. Young would like to have students see him of their own free will when they need help. His job is not to be disciplinary nor to administer punishment.

He may be seen in the office during the sixth and seventh periods any day.

## Miss Knefely To Be Banquet Speaker

A former student of Simpson, Miss Gizella Knefely, will be the guest speaker at **The Times** banquet on June 5.

While at Simpson, Miss Knefely was an active member in the G.A.A. and assistant editor of the Editorial Staff.

She attended Wittenberg College for three years and received a scholarship for a year of study in Paris from the late Dimon Herring.

Miss Knefely has traveled around the world several times and at present is working at her father's travel bureau.

Awards for writing will be made at the banquet and the new editors for next year will be announced.

## Band Members Enter Music Contest

Band members are getting on their toes for the May 11 trip to Millersburg for the Junior High Instrumental Contest.

Medal awards will be given for first place winners, certificates for second place winners, and says Mr. Brashares, "A kick in the pants from me for third prize."

All of the northeastern section of Ohio will be participating in the contest. Competing from Simpson will be:

Solos	Duets	Quartets
Jean Martin—sax	Phyllis Dunn	Saxaphones
Tom Lindsay—sax	Craig Humphrey	Tom Lindsay
Terry Oyster—trumpet	Terry Oyster	Jean Martin
Ed Maxwell—cornet	Ed Maxwell	Bob Brandenburg
Gary Forester—cornet		Barbara Garber
Carol Marietta—clarinet		Clarinet
Dawn Doerrer—violin		Carol Marietta
		Sharyl Thomas
		Faye Vance
		Marcia Simpson

The Ohio Music Education Association, which is sponsoring this contest, sponsored one similar to this for senior high students a couple of weeks ago.

## Awards Day Honors Citizen-Students

Annual Awards Day, when outstanding students will be rewarded, is to be June 6 this year.

A highlight of the assembly will be the presentation of the Mr. and Miss Simpson trophies to the ninth grade boy and girl who have contributed the most to the school in the past three years.

Mr. Blauser will also make the presentation of trophies to the outstanding ninth grade boy and girl while the Citizenship Award

for the eighth grade boy and girl will be presented by the Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Perfect attendance, scholarship Junior Red Cross, spell-down winners, store and office workers, patrol boys, audio-visual, and current events winner will all be honored as the assembly progresses.

Names of the students to be honored are withheld until the June 6 issue of **The Times**.

## Council Members Visit Grade Schools

"Getting to know us" might be the theme of the Student Council eighth and ninth graders who will be going to the grade schools the week of May 20.

Each one of the members will take Simpson pencils and handbooks describing the activities of Simpson. They will show various kinds of passes and activity cards used by students here.

In doing this they are trying to make coming to junior high school easier for the incoming seventh graders.



## Easter - Greatest Festival

Ed. Note: The following editorial was written by Rev. F. D. Barnes, pastor of Mitchell Chapel Church.

Once again we turn aside from the many engagements of life to observe and rejoice with the whole Christendom in its greatest and most significant festival of the year --- Easter.

It is altogether proper and fitting that periodically we should examine a new and evaluate a fresh those things in life that represent pillars, or corner stones, in our civilization around which revolve our everyday lives.

Easter represents to us, among other things, the indestructibility of every worth while endeavor, every true ideal, to which mankind can lend it force.

Two thousand years ago, the

negative forces of life, as represented in the civilization and cultures of the day, were thought to have won a victory. However, the victory was in appearance only, for the positive forces of life have gained the battle and always will be victorious in every struggle. Right will always win over wrong even though wrong may be ever so enchanted or fortified. Today we salute the HERO of the cross, the VICTOR over death and the grave.

Easter reminds us that we all commit ourselves to every worthwhile endeavor, in every department of life, and be assured of overwhelming victory.

The risen Christ offers a challenge to all of us to join the forces with Him to help banish evil from our communities, and to establish for ourselves and others that Kingdom in which dwelleth peace and righteousness.

Finally, Easter not only speaks of a temporary life of joyful endeavor, a profitable commitment of ourselves on this side of the "great divide", but it speaks so eloquently and assuringly of that life that must certainly come when we take the great adventure. Jesus said, "Because I live ye shall live also."

### Spring Flowers

Hyacinth  
Asters  
Petunias  
Pansies  
Yucca

Easter lilies  
Apple blossoms  
Sweet peas  
Trilliums  
Eglantine  
Roses

## Wanted! A Chance!

I am a blade of grass. I grow on a plot of land called a lawn. All winter long I have been covered with snow.

Now that Spring has come, the sun is shining, and the rain has come. Like you students I would like a chance to grow and become strong. However, now I am very small and can't do much about those big feet that trample me down each day.

Lawns of green grass make a neighborhood prettier so that everyone enjoys life more. I'm trying to do my part. Will you help me by walking on the side-walks instead of me?

## Letters to the Editors

Dear Editor,  
I was wondering why "The Times" doesn't have a "Dream Boy" and "Dream Girl". I noticed that the "Appleseed Press" has seventh grade "Dream Boys" in every issue. Couldn't you try it and see if it works out?

Shirley Garver

This feature has been used several times in our paper. The staff feels that students would be bored by one in every issue. However, since students seem to enjoy it, future issues will probably carry articles of this kind more often.

In regard to regaining a good name for Simpson, mentioned in the last issue, the following comment from Mr. W. A. Stroud of the First National Bank, a recent visitor in the building, seems to show that we've taken a step in the right direction. Said Mr. Stroud in a letter to Dr. Robert E. Wilson, superintendent of Mansfield Schools:

"There have been recent situations which would lead us to believe that our teenage students are a bunch of hooligans. However, I was impressed with the attention and courtesy displayed by the children at Simpson."

## Know Your Schoolmates

Nancy Volz

Judy Kline

Movie—"Written on the Wind"  
Subject—Speech  
Book—"Window on the Sea"  
Song—"I'm Sorry"  
Food—Sloppy Joes  
TV Show—Steve Allen  
Pastime—Talking on the telephone  
Pet Peeve—Dishes (especially dirty ones)

Craig Humphrey

Movie—"Rebel without a Cause"  
Subject—Social Science  
Book—"The Secret Sea"  
Song—"All Shook Up"  
Food—Hamburgers  
TV Show—Alfred Hitchcock  
Pastime—Eating  
Pet Peeve—Teachers

Jean Martin

Movie—"Rebel without a Cause"  
Subject—Band  
Book—"The Black Stallion"  
Song—"Round and Round"  
Food—Sloppy Joes  
TV Show—Mickey Mouse Club  
Wyatt Earp

Pastime—Sports

Pet Peeve—Homework

Harvey Welker

Movie—"Friendly Persuasion"  
Subject—History  
Book—"Boy on Defense"  
Song—"Jim Dandy"  
Food—T.Bone steak  
TV Show—Gun Smoke  
Pastime—Sports  
Pet Peeve—Nagging girls

Carole Weaver

Movie—"Gone with the Wind"  
Subject—Speech  
Book—"The Trembling Years"  
Song—"Gone"  
Food—Dill pickles  
TV Show—Warner Brothers Presents

Pastime—Complaining

Pet Peeve—My sister

Robert Knight

Movie—"Men in War"  
Subject—Spelling  
Book—"Robinhood"  
Song—"Friendly Persuasion"  
Food—Steak  
TV Show—Whirly Birds  
Pastime—Building model planes  
Pet Peeve—Teachers

## News - Ten Years Ago At Simpson

Ten years ago Simpson students were following approximately the same schedule as students are following today.

Mrs. Helen Perrill, Mrs. Eunice Stout, and Mr. Wilbur Young made their first appearances on the faculty at Simpson.

At the Annual Times Banquet the editors for the following year were announced: Editor — John Damron; Assistant Editor

and News Editor — John Fichter; Feature Editor — Bud Sorenson.

The John Simpson Times received an award from the National Scholastic Press Association for outstanding literary work other than feature stories. It was the only junior high school paper to receive the award.

Mr. James Cook, a member of the present faculty was a personality of the month.



May 4  
Vic Saunier, Richard Parsons

May 5  
Bobby Knipp, Judy Shreffler, George Artrip

May 6  
Sylvia Paul, JoAnne Warrack, Howard Myers

May 7  
Patty Schillinger, Polly Schillinger

May 8  
Cheryl Them, Jim Sweeney

May 9  
John Young, Robert McQuillen

May 10  
Carol Myers, Garnett Morgan, Larry Davison, John Schwaner

May 11  
Beecher Adkins, Douglas Shasky, Kay Richards, Jack Berry.

May 12  
Leroy Rose, Robert Howell, Elroy Allen, Wanda McDowell, Bobby Norris, Jim Oswalt

May 13  
Barbara Fields

May 15  
Robert Martin, Teddy Tackett, Delores Holiday, Carol Poole

May 16  
Joyce Majors, Shirley Rowe, Betty Boyd, Richard Kelley, Earl Beaire, Bruce Konves

May 17  
Katherine Wade, Samuel Jackson

May 18  
Marty Hildebrand, Louis Owens, Bill Kistler, Kay Them, Rosie

Gorman, Mary Fleming  
May 19

Nancy Welling  
May 20

Nancy Volz, Daryl Clifton  
May 21

Jacquelyn Pelfrey, Dorothy Hall, Joyce Kareff  
May 23

Sara McCabe, Jim Crose, Carol Dinger, Wilfried Ickert  
May 25

Maggie Melton  
May 26

Jack Waddell  
May 27

Ted Blair, Jack Brady  
May 28

Willie Sewell, David Lemon, Ronald Messer  
May 30

Phyllis Dunn, Becky Kaler, Charles Reed, Nora Perry, John Addison, Mae Murray, James Johnson.

June 1  
Diana Moyer, Joseph Chavez

June 2  
Barbara Grant, Garland Bond, Peggy Stephens, Rose Poland

June 3  
Robert Remmer, Barbara Rasey, Jim Wellington, Beverly McClellan, Brenda Cates

June 4  
Wanda Setser, Leroy Charrington, Ivan Bristow, Dixie McDonald, Diane Byers

June 5  
David Critchfield, Spencer Davis

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# Weighed in the balance Some Are Found Wanting

In the recent essay contest sponsored by **The Times** Staff, many suggestions were given for improvement of the paper. Here are a few of them, with replies as to why some of them cannot be used at the present time.

First, several mentioned having a crossword puzzle in each time the paper is published. Occasionally this can be done, but as the expense for an engraving runs anywhere from five to six dollars, it is impossible to have one each issue. (Even **The Times** is on a budget!)

There were many requests for a gossip column. The staff feels that such a column would carry too many personal things about students, which they might not care to see in print. Besides, a good paper does not hurt someone's feelings, but tries to print the good things he does. "Why doesn't **The Times** have a comic strip?" was another question asked. Like the crossword puzzle, a comic strip would be a great expense since engravings must be made.

Other suggestions were that

colored ink and colored pictures be used. Features of this kind would be fine, but again the budget wouldn't allow it!

A hobby column was also suggested, but recently when students were asked for their hobbies, no one contributed the information.

Of course, some suggestions made were interesting and practical. These may be used in future issues of **The Times**.

Perhaps you have a news tip or an idea for a feature or editorial. The staff needs your help. Put it into the box in 101 and a reporter will take it from there.

## PARENTS RE-ELECT EZZARD PRESIDENT

Colonel Richard F. Ezzard was re-elected to the office of president for the 1957-58 school year at the April meeting of the John Simpson Parent-Teacher Association. Mr. Elmer Chamberlin was chosen vice-president; Mrs. Glenn C. Trasker, secretary; Mrs. Earnest Chronister, treasurer.

Council representatives will be Mrs. Charles Martin, Mrs. Albert Workman, and Mrs. Wilmer Gilbert.

Mrs. Willis Park was chairman of the nominating committee. Serving with her were Miss Emelie Severson, Mrs. William Echols and Mrs. Lloyd Michener.

During the business session, the purchasing of bicycle racks and hat and coat racks was discussed.

The next meeting of the group will be May 9.

## Safety Award Given

For "outstanding safety achievement during the first semester of the school year" states the certificate presented to James Gruber, captain of the Simpson patrol in the auditorium March 22.

This certificate was presented by Mr. C. A. Divelbiss, Safety Supervisor of the Mansfield Council of Parent-Teachers Association; Mrs. Wilma Csordas, Safety Pennant chairman of the Council; and Mrs. Willis Park, safety chairman of the Simpson Parent-Teacher Association.

This year, for the first time, Simpson has been proudly flying the safety pennant below the American flag on the school lawn.



James Gruber accepts the safety certificate from Mr. Divelbiss. On left is Mr. Csordas; on right Mrs. Park.

## Class Plans Plays

Home Room 207 is preparing to present two plays. The same dramas will be presented by room 108 during the next six weeks.

"Be Home Midnight" will be given twice with a different cast each time. The characters are:

- Pop—Louis Simpson
- Mom—Sandy McKay and Sara McCabe
- Sis—Sheila Bartram and Marcia De Pue
- Paul—Jimmy Million and Jon Mion
- Junior—Patrick O'Brien

The other play, "Boner's Schoolroom" has one teacher and fifteen or twenty students, made up of other members of the class.

Miss Violet Chokreff will cast the plays, get them started, and then trade classes with Mr. Ray Gerrell so that he can smooth out the productions.

## Bits O' News

Special education classes in rooms 109, 205, and 215 have some new pictures: "On the Terrace", "Music Lesson", and "Fifer Boy".

These pictures were purchased with money donated by the Ninth grade class of June 1955.

Girls in home rooms 216, cafeteria, and 112 won the girls' volleyball championships.

The following people have been added to the Editorial Staff for next year: Claudia Baker-107; Ellen Garrison, Barbara Grant, Carolyn Hackett, Karen Lang, Kathy Michener, Vickie Mosey, Peggy Perry, Sarah Thompson, Joanne Warrack, all of 214; Linda Greene and Louis Simpson, 207; Ruth Chronister, Joyce Majors, Robert Remmer, Pat Schilling, Carole Weaver, Margie Williams, and Sally Williams, 106; Charles Walls and Linda

Frizzell, 108; James Alexander, Ruby Clemons, Mary Cover, Linda Flowers, Shirley Garver, Diane Gertel, Freddie Mae Hill, Donna Hoffman, Sharon McDevitt, Larry Scott, Linda Thomas, all of 101.

Mrs. Barbara Williams, Business Advisor for **The Times** attended a meeting of the Ohio Business Teachers' Association at the Deschler-Hilton Hotel last Friday and Saturday.

Tim Welty, Randy Leedom, and Mrs. Frances Schultz have been welcomed back after illnesses which took them to the hospital. Still absent are Joan Chavez and Virginia Swinford. We wish them a speedy recovery.

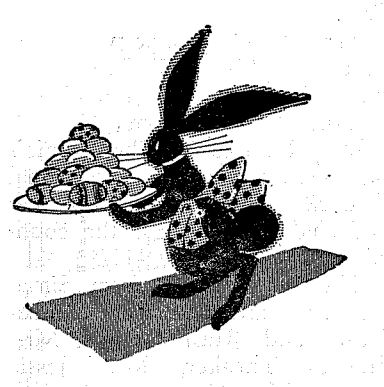
## Coming Next Issue

In the next issue watch for the following:

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- Ninth Grade Wills
- Ninth Grade Prophecy
- News of summer vacations
- Honor Roll
- Honorable Mention

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## Students Get 'Shot' to Conquer Disease

This summer 668 Simpson students will enjoy their vacation more and have less dread of polio than they had two weeks ago today. Three doctors with a team of nurses, nurse's aids, and secretaries, who all volunteered their time, were in the building to administer the shots.

Students receiving the shots were seated in the auditorium and taken by rows to the lobby.

Varied reactions to the treatment were registered by the stu-

dents, most of whom took them as just another experience. Agreeing that the little bit of uncomfortableness was far more desirable than polio, they are looking ahead to the next shot some time in the month of May.

### TOWN BALL

Boys of the pre-Civil War days played "Town Ball", so called because 30 or more boys from all over town played. In this game, a side stayed at bat until every player was out.

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Diana Doerr, as Judy, and Joe Schengili, as father, show they know how to act in the successful ninth grade play.

## Show Goes On Cast Reveals Backstage Shenanigans

Dixie Lang

Think you saw all there was to see at the ninth grade play? Guess again! Did you know that: . . . Joe Schengili was in front of the audience before realizing that the sack of groceries he was supposed to have in his arms had been left behind? Showing fast thinking, he covered his blunder by informing others onstage that he had left the groceries on the "front porch". . . . Becky Kaler and Craig Humphrey "flubbed" their cues, but carrying on in the finest tradition, they gave their lines omitting a complete page and a half of dialogue? . . . Shirley Diskosky roamed the building during the morning performance, asking everyone

she met, including Mr. Kennedy, if they "happened to have a stuffed animal" with them, that she could carry in the second act? (Mr. Daniels finally saved the day by loaning a paper mache elephant, made in his art classes.) . . . Stage hands stood outside the door of the dressing room, pleading desperately with female members of the cast to "hurry up, 'cause you're on in two minutes!" . . . During the band's "peppier" numbers, members of the cast backstage began jitterbugging? Janet Perry wound up the session with a spirited demonstration of the Charleston, done in fine style.

## Why Good Friday Is Called 'Good'

Karen Michener

Rt. Rev. J. F. Hebbeler, Pastor of St. Peter's Church states: "Good Friday is the day upon which the Church marks the passion of our Lord and His death on the cross. Ever since the Mass of Palm Sunday, the shadow of the Cross has been thrown across all ceremonies; now it is the symbol which completely dominates the scene."

This day is called "Holy Friday" among the French people and "Sorrowful Friday" among the Germans. The old Anglo-saxons, like the Danes of today, hailed it "Long Friday." The origin of the term "good" in Good Friday is not clear. It is quite certain that it is not our modern adjective, good, meaning having the right qualities and so on. Some like to trace its origin to "God's Friday" from the old German, "Guete Freitag." "Guete" is the old form for "Golt," that is God. Others take it in the sense of being good for us, that is, the day of our "Redemption."

That was the Catholic understanding of why Good Friday is called "good." Now we'll see what the Protestant's understanding is.

### Bible Tells Reasons

Rev. Russell Dinger, Pastor of the Roseland Gospel Center Church, says: "Perhaps our human reasoning would bring the thought to us as to why anyone would call the Friday before Easter, in which we commemor-

ate the crucifixion of the Lord Jesus Christ, "good". The thought might come to us as to why anyone would call the day "good" on which an innocent man was crucified. Doesn't it seem foolish to describe the greatest crime ever committed by humanity as "good"?

Perhaps our human reasoning would draw this conclusion. Ah, but we must go beyond ourselves to answer these questions. We must turn to the pages of God's sacred Scripture. Here alone can the truth be understood.

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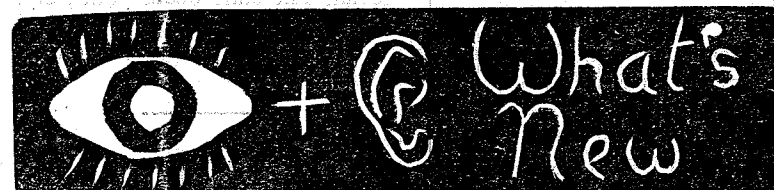
## Is It Bite or Bight?

Barbara Grant—214

Have you ever heard of bight or bia? Neither had some of the people in 214 until the class had a homonym contest. The idea was to see who could get the most sets of words.

Three prizes were given: first prize winner, Barbra Wymer, had 245; second prize winner, Sarah Thompson, had 189; and third prize winner, Barbara Grant, had 183.

Some of the combinations were bight and bite, ba and baa, daze and days, and duct and ducked.



Diane Schmidt

....Jim Dandy and his Young Love, Marianne had decided to elope. As they hopped on a Banana Boat headed for Brazil and were sailing along, it suddenly jarred against a heavy boulder in the middle of the ocean, and the lovers got All Shook Up. When they finally got settled in their comfortable chairs, who

should come walking across the deck but Marianne's father! Without much Friendly Persuasion, he took them into a separate room to have a conference with them. When he learned that the couple planned to marry, he said, "Marianne, Don't Forbid Me to take you home, because Jim is a Moonlight Gambler and you merely have a Teenage Crush on him."

Marianne said she didn't want to go home, so she and Jim joined hands and ran Round and Round the deck with her father chasing them. All at once a beautiful Butterfly landed on his nose. The beauty of it was Too Much for him, so he fainted. The landing was a wet one, for he fell right into the ocean and gasped for air. Seeing this, Jim plunged into the ocean and rescued the drowning man.

As a reward for the saving of his life, Marianne's father decided to allow the couple to marry. As a wedding present he gave them a homely Hound Dog.

Thus the story ends: And the couple lived happily ever after.

## Mansfielders Active At Math Convention

Mr. William Lantz from Mansfield Senior High was elected third vice-president of the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics for 1957-1958 at a Convention held at Capitol University in Columbus last Friday and Saturday.

The theme of the convention "Insight". Dean Gordon Carson, of the College of Engineering, spoke at the banquet which was attended by about 160 people, nine of whom were from Mansfield.

The Mansfield delegation was headed by Mr. G. F. Thompson. He helped defeat an amendment to raise the dues from \$1 to \$2.

Mrs. Frances Theaker, Ohio's representative to the National Council, took membership fees and sold materials for the council.

The six members from Simpson who attended were Misses Hazel and Ruth Craig, Mrs. Frances Theaker, Mrs. Jessie Brown, Miss Catharine Darling, and Mr. G. F. Thompson.

## Mystery Teacher

Clay Bixler

His teaching career began at Oak Hall in the southern part of Richland County where he taught all subjects and had 29 classes a day in a one-room school house.

Seven years ago this teacher came to John Simpson. He teaches General Science and is advisor for the patrol boys in the building.

Attending Wittenberg College and Ohio State University, this

## Finds Times Change

fun-loving teacher, received his bachelor of science degree and his master's degree in education.

Married and the father of one son, the mystery teacher has fishing and boating as his hobbies. He likes to go to Florida, especially at Christmas time.

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# Speaking of Sports

Jack Meenach

Gym classes have gotten back to normal as coaches and students have lost their dancing light-footedness.



Track season got off to a slow start as rain cancelled out the scheduled meet for April 4. We hope that the weather clears up and causes no further interference with practice or meets.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the covered dish dinner for the athletes and cheerleaders at which Mr. Fred Tharp acted as M.C.

With the opening of the Major League baseball schedule, Al Rosen's hints that he might come out of retirement are proving to be just hot air. I think, though, that he could be a great help to the Indians.

One thing seems to be bothering the teams. They have had a large number of mishaps in their exhibition games.

To conclude, I predict that, in the American League, the Indians will take the pennant. In the National, I'll again back the Dodgers.



Some unidentified boys, Dave Morehead, and Bob Lutz do what comes naturally — select food from the covered dishes at the banquet.

# Sports Banquet Honors Athletes Cheerleaders Share Glory

Simpson football, and basketball players, and the cheerleaders were honored at the annual sports banquet for 1957 in the school cafeteria March 20.

Following the dinner, Fred Tharp, Sports Editor of the Mansfield News-Journal, introduced the guests: Mr. Blauser, Simpson principal; Mr. Kennedy, assistant principal; Mr. Glass, senior high principal, and Mr. Young, and Miss Eleanor Hutchins, and Mrs. Virginia Kirby.

Short talks were given by Simpson coaches Romano and Maccioli, senior high coaches McNea on football, Vern Hoffman on basketball, and Pierson on baseball.

Highlights of the football games played by the Mansfield Tigers last season were shown.

Receiving football letters were Butch Anderson, Earl Blane, Jim Bateman, Tom Blair, Bill Buckley, Jim Chestney, Charles Cochran, Dick Conrad, Phill Cook, Cliff Crose, Ollie Dean, David Duncan, Clarence Eubanks, Tom Evans, Dale Friend, Joe Gonzales, Cleo Hall, Randy Leedom, Dick Leger, Bob Lutz, John Marsh, Ray Mion, Dave Morehead, Jim McKee, Jim Oswalt, Lendon Parish, Simmie Pate, Ray Porter, Tom Schadek, Joe Schengili, Carl Schnittke, Bill Taylor, Chester Taylor, Larry Tilton, and Nick Williams.

Reserve letters went to Elroy Allen, Charles Cowan, Martin Crawford, Foster Dials, Verner Franklin, Harold Phillips, Lenell Shelby, Tony Todd, and Harvey Welker.

Chamberlin, Martin Crawford, Wayne Cox, Harry Fochtman, Verner Franklin, Cleo Hall, Richard Hammer, Edward Hawkins, Tom Hudson, Robert Knight, Dave Lamberton, Don Miller, Bob Norris, Gilbert Ray, and Jim Sheffer received awards.

Also honored were managers of the two teams and the cheerleaders: Jim Bateman, Tom Benice, Jim Chestney, and Harold Phillips. Cheerleaders: Cathy Bissman, Molly Park, Sharon Pashelich, Janice Price, Sharon Swank, and Louri Thompson.

# Sparks from Parks

Molly Park

You all got Spring Fever! The urge to get out on that tennis court, or play a game of badminton, or maybe relax in a convertible, all go on during this spring season.

As in previous years the ninth grade girls gym classes will take instruction in shuffleboard, badminton, tennis, 10-pin bowling, and ping-pong. Seventh and eighth graders will play softball in the Simpson Field. Why not practice up on these during Easter Vacation?

Bermuda and Jamaica shorts are being worn in place of long johns. After spring vacation, summer skirts and blouses instead of winter skirts and sweaters will be worn by most Simpsonites.

Volleyball championships concluded with home room 216 taking the banner in the ninth grade, Cafeteria in the eighth grade and for the seventh grade 112.

Do you have your G.A.A. points in the box in the gym office? May 15 is the deadline, if you expect to receive numerals at the annual picnic.

# Spring Gym Classes Announce Schedule

Soft balls will be flying when the seventh and eighth graders come back from spring vacation. Every student will have the chance to take part in the game of soft ball and they will learn to play better with others.

Meanwhile the ninth graders

will be participating in individual sports such as tennis, bowling and shuffle board. Sports like these widen the pupils' sports interest because they can be played outside the gymnasium and during the summer. Each pupil will be graded on how well he masters the skills of the game as well as teamwork and being a good sport.

Tennis and badminton will be sports played outside also. Ninth grade girls must have their own tennis rackets in order to participate in this sport.

Bowling will be played in the tumbling room in the gym. The bowling pins and balls are miniatures made like the big ones. Anyone who wishes to play this game may try.

# BUBBLE GUM STOPS BASEBALL GAME

World Series

"Little Leaguers", too, have their moments of glory and trouble, as this story from the Little League "World Series" at Williamsport shows.

At a tense moment in the game, the pitcher wound up; the batter tensed. Suddenly there was a howl from the catcher. "I can't see!" he shouted frantically.

When the umpire turned to see why not, he had to bite his lip to hold back a smile. The catcher had been chewing bubble gum and had blown a huge bubble. Just as the pitcher wound up the bubble exploded all over the catcher's mask, cutting off his vision completely.

# Get Basketball Letters

Awarded basketball letters were: Butch Anderson, Tom Blair, Jerry Bohus, Bill Bockley, Dick Conrad, Clarence Eubanks, Tom Evans, Bob Fankhauser, Dale Jones, Jim McKee, Lendon Parish, Phil Plummer, Dean Rabal, Tom Schadek, and Bill Taylor.

Reserves Elroy Allen, John Brooks, Richard Brown, Paul

# Baseball Schedule

Coach Romano has just announced the following baseball schedule for this spring:

- April 18—Mansfield Reserves
- April 26—Mansfield Reserves
- May 2—Ashland (away)
- May 6—Shelby (Gorman-Rupp Field)
- May 13—Shelby (away)
- May 15—Ashland (here)

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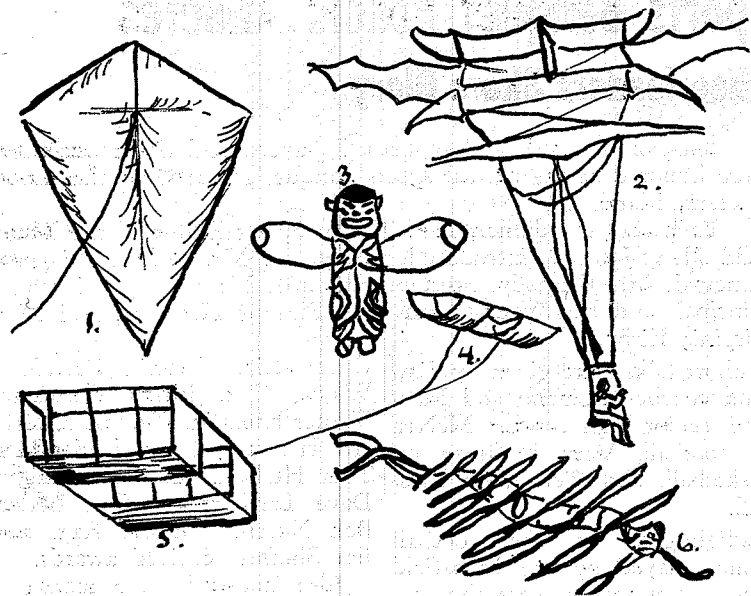
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## Early Chinese Kites Had Many Uses

Lynne Erndt

The Chinese, who had the earliest known ones, had the right idea in kites! They had bird kites with moveable eyes, which they believed would fly out of trees if caught. They had dragon kites, with shiny scales, believed to frighten away bad gods. And for festivals they had Carp kites, shaped like a fish, to sharpen appetites.

Today the kite has been and

is being used for all kinds of experiments. It was used in festivals, war experiments, and weather forecasts. Ben Franklin used what is perhaps the most famous kite. He discovered electricity with it.

Douglas Archibald really had a brainstorm with his kite. He tied a "wind meter" to it and measured the wind velocity or speed.

## Reiter's Rewrites

Shirley Reiter

A new exchange paper is the Bala.Cynwyd Highlights, of Bala-Cynwyd Junior High School in Bala-Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

The Shaker B reports that scholarship keys are presented to the students in the ninth grade at Shaker Byron Junior High School who have maintained a 4.5 or A minus average throughout the first five semesters. Only semester grades are considered in deciding the eligibility of a student. Although the keys are presented in the ninth grade it is for the most part, the effort and achievement put forth in the seventh and eighth grade which determine the winners.

At Dupont High School a group of eleven boys, as reported by The Panther Press, are challenging the girls to a cooking duel. These boys have organized a chef's class in which they have made corn muffins, biscuits, and peanut butter cookies. Along with cooking, the class also studies meal planning, calories, vitamins, health habits, and table manners. This is the fourth class of its kind at Dupont.

## Sails through the air

## Animal Trainer Lives Dangerously

Dawn Doerr

Being thrown fifty feet through a stockade by an elephant is just one of the experiences of Dr. Lorenz Eric Von Tetzlaff, who recently presented an assembly at Simpson. He, with the help of the natives, has captured the many animals used in his act.

Dr. Tetzlaff's grandfather was a general in the German Army and his father was a lion tamer, who wanted Lorenz to be a doctor. After going through medical school, Dr. Tetzlaff decided he was more interested in training animals. From his experience, he gives the warning that training animals is very hard work and there are a lot of failures involved.

Betty, his wife, and his two daughters await him at home in Vermillion, Ohio. His daughters have a pet leopard which they have trained themselves.

Dr. Tetzlaff has been training animals for twenty-one years

and has a contract with the Captain Penny television show. He has just finished a thirty-six-week contract on "Fun Farm".

It costs two hundred dollars a week to feed the animals he brought to Simpson. Most of this is for the lion who eats raw eggs, chicken, and a mineral preparation. The lion is two years old and weighs three hundred eighty pounds.

## Math Students Fashion Easter Display Window

Math class members in Miss Catharine Darling's third period have made stained-glass windows for Easter.

They made scale drawings of their ideas for windows. The drawings were then taken to Mr. Daniels who picked the best ones, the windows to be put in room 212.

Pieces of art paper were cut to fit the scale drawings and these were mounted on the windows.

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## Mrs. Eunice Stout Tells Her Adventure

One drizzly night as my daughter and I were returning home from a movie, we encountered a very unusual situation.

It was quite late and the highway was very desolate. We had just come to a dangerous turn in the road, when suddenly looming ahead of us, were the lights of a car whose driver had failed to notice the turn. Due to the fog, we could barely make out the form of a woman lean-

ing against the car. Seeing our car approach, she made a desperate gesture with her hand for us to stop.

We stopped the car behind hers, so that our lights would be of some assistance in seeing the extent of her injuries. She told us that her car had swerved off the road to avoid hitting a truck. We asked her if she were injured and she replied, "No." We decided that it would be best to drive back a few miles to a gasoline station and telephone for some help. As we were entering the car, we saw the headlights of an approaching car. It came to a screeching halt directly behind our car. It was a man!

He was a middle-aged fellow, handsomely dressed and with a fascinating smile. He immediately took over the entire situation. He decided it would be best to call the tow truck and the highway patrol. He didn't ask if the young lady were injured or even if it would be necessary to call the authorities to have the car removed.

The young lady tried to explain to the man that she didn't think it would be necessary be-

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## Future Home Makers Sew and Cook

Pretty cotton skirts and blouses are being made by many of the eighth grade girls in Mrs. Eleanor Lime's sewing classes. Charlotte Stehle, Linda Griebeling, Ruth Hammett, and Sharon Biener are making denim blazers, while Becky Newman and Karen Zellner are making gay spring dresses.

### Cook Dinners for Guests:

Ninth graders in Mrs. Helen Perrill's cooking class have started cooking dinners. Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Blancett were guests at the dinner last Tuesday.

Eighth graders are working on lunches while the seventh grade girls will serve a complete breakfast after Easter vacation.

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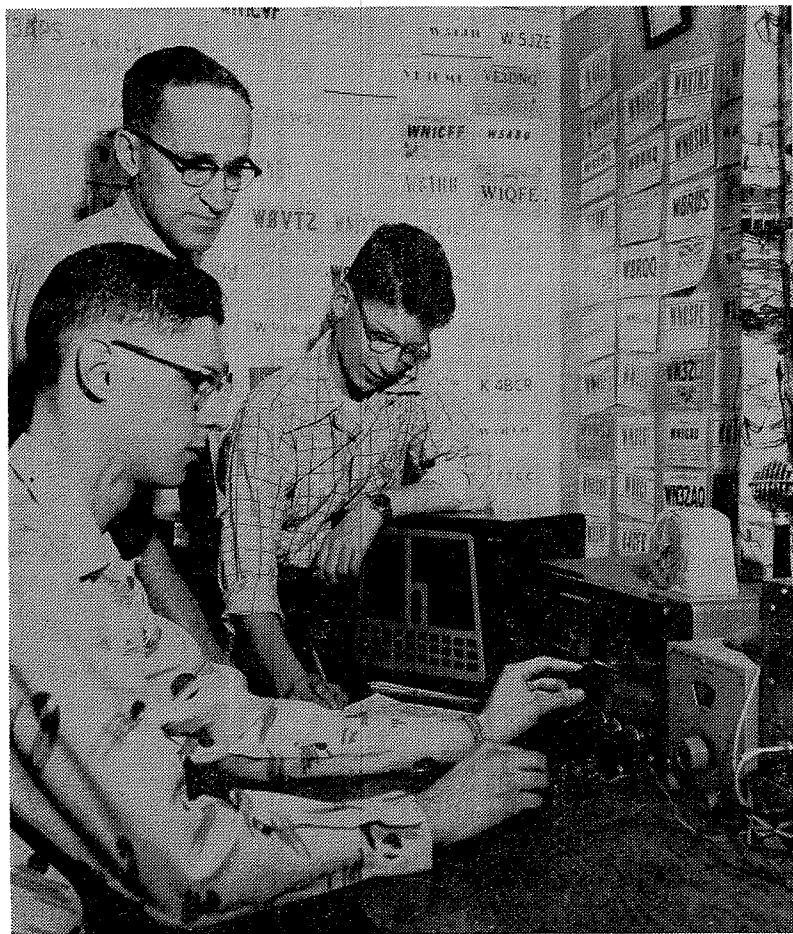
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## Ham Operator Enjoys Hobby

Ted Blair

Dave Blizzard, of home room 18, is a fourteen-year-old ham operator and has been one for about a year. His father, Tom Blizzard, and his brother Don, both are ham operators.

They operate from 248 Rae Avenue where Dave's call letters are KSAJE. He says that there is no special purpose for ham operators except for fun or amusement. He talks to amateurs from all over the state.

Dave took a special course at the Red Cross to become an operator.

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## Observer Reveals Easter Fashion

Carolyn Pfau

"Bustin' out all over," are the new, casual spring fashions — just in time for the Easter Parade.

Underneath spring jackets you are likely to find a perky "Sissy" blouse in the popular pastel shades of pink, blue, and beige. Also coming into their own are black, white, red, and navy blue.

Dress and duster combinations, Empress style dresses, wide-brim hats, and "pill boxes" are very popular this season.

Boys' suits vary in styles and colors, according to personal taste. White shirts are ever popular, with pastels running a close second. Shoes for the fellows in black, black and white, brown, and beige are going strong, with white bucks still on the list.

Ivy League clothes are still popular. Spring blazers are coming out while the winter ones are headed for the mothballs.

## Why Good Friday Is Called 'Good'

(From Page 4)

These following statements will show why this Friday is called "good".

1—On this day God showed the depth of His love for us;

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

2—On this day man's greatest debt was paid.

"Who His own self bore sins in His own body on the tree." I Peter 2:24

3—This day made God's greatest gift available to us;

"... the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

4—On this day the way to God was opened for all the human race, for Jesus said,

"I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

With this light upon the subject, perhaps even a stronger word should be used to describe this momentous day."

It isn't really the hundreds of interpretations of others that makes the difference. It is each person's understanding and what it means to him in his own heart that is right.



"Boy, did I get a big kick out of that show!"

## TEACHERS REPORT VARIED VACATIONS

Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is the destination of Miss Kay Butler, Miss Violet Chokreff, and Miss Margaret Maul for their Spring vacation.

Not quite as exciting will be a week of house cleaning and gardening for the Misses Ruth and Hazel Craig.

Mr. Thompson plans an enjoyable week of painting while Miss Marianna Russell and Miss Catherine Darling will attend an opera in Cleveland.

Mrs. Eunice Stout has the most exciting(?) of vacations planned by teachers. She is going to a bright room in a hospital for a tonsillectomy.

Believe it or not, the first ideas for baseball were born in the minds of young boys during the Stone Age. The basic game was much the same as it is today, with one boy throwing the "ball", (probably a large rock), striking at it with a stick or club, and running to a certain place before being "tagged".

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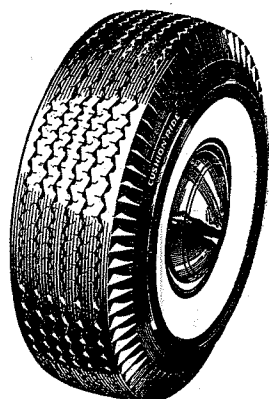
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For sports lovers, whether spectators or active participants, 'Where Speed Is King' by Margaret Hyde will hold the interest of all. In it track, winter sports, horse racing, soap box, hot rod, and sports-car racing, water sports, bicycle and motor-

cycle racing, plane racing, and model planes are all discussed. Physical qualifications, special training are considered. Great personalities and some outstanding records in the different fields are listed.

Would-be designers will find advice and inspiration in Beryl William's 'Young Faces in Fashion.' The backgrounds, schooling, early struggles, and successes of eleven young designers, well-known in the fashion field, are described.

**Fiction books which may interest many are:**

'Forgotten Daughter' by Carol Snedecker tells of a Roman girl who passed the early years of her life in slavery and was separated from her family. When she met a young man in exile, her life began to brighten. At the close of the book she is reunited with her family.

Jay William's 'Roman Moon Mystery' is the story of a young man who came upon the murdered body of a well-known senator in front of Capito's shop. He was certain that Capito, one of the despised Christians, was the murderer. Marcia, the spirited niece of another senator, had other ideas about it, however. What seemed to be an easily solved mystery turned out to have a great effect on Roman society and the life of Justus.

## Mrs. Stout's Adventure

cause she didn't have enough money, but still he insisted.

Finally, after we had waited for several hours, the tow truck came and the man told the driver to take the car. This left the young lady without transportation, so we asked if we might drive her home. The patrolman being quite gallant also wanted to escort her home. At first she rejected his proposal and thought that he was "fresh", but after talking it over, she decided to go with him.

She thanked us very graciously and she and the man drove off. We got back into our car and finally started once again on our way. That experience had lasted three hours which made us unusually late.

We had not gone far when we heard a loud noise and felt the back of the car go down. A flat tire, of all things, out there on this dark and desolate road and no cars or houses in sight! We decided to walk back a couple of miles to the gas station to telephone my husband.

The walk was quite difficult because of the rain. When we finally got there, our clothes were wringing wet.

Eagerly I dialed his office number. My only answer was the ringing of the telephone. De-feated, we trudged back to the car where we waited impatiently for another long hour.

Suddenly the headlights of my husband's car beamed into our car. When he saw a car stalled on this lonely road, he knew it could be no one but "Eunice".

## Hit Songs of Ten Years Ago

As reported in the school paper Ivy

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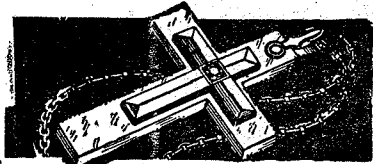
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Chicago fans smiled gleefully, waiting to see, at long last, the mighty Babe strike out. Suddenly he turned to the stands, raised his hand pointed defiantly to the flagpole deep in centerfield. The action was as plain as words, "That's where the ball will go." It did! The Babe slammed one out of the field on the next pitch, and as he jogged leisurely around the bases, it was noted that the ball had landed only a few feet from where the "Sultan of Swat" had pointed.

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