

Standing: Jerry Bohus, Norman Wolfe; Seated: Dave Forwith, Bob Leech, Denny Grassel, Doug Bostick, Clarence Eubanks, W. McDowell, Bertie Beal, and Sharyl Thomas

Young Thespians Prepare Parts As Ninth Graders Stage Comedy

Preparing for their appearance in the class play, "A Date with Judy", to be performed at a matinee for students on April 4 and on the evening of April 5 for the public, are the recently chosen members of the cast headed by Diana Doerrer and Craig Humphrey.

The play, in three acts, by Aileen Leslie is a comedy adapted from the radio and television programs. It has the following characters:

Judy Foster — Diana Doerrer
Melvin Foster — Joseph Schengili
Dora Foster — Barbara Rasey
Randolf Foster — Craig Humphrey
Hannah — Karen Baker
Barbara Winsocket — Becky Kaler
Oogie Pringle — Jim McKee
Mitzi Hoffman — Kay Hoffman
Mr. Martindale — Dale Jones
Mrs. Hotchkiss — Sue Connor
Eloise Hotchkiss — Shirley Diskosky
Mrs. Shultzhammer — Dixie Lang
Rexford Meredith O'Conner — Jim Bollinger
Susie — Janet Parry
Student Director — Judy Kline
Director — Mr. Ray Gerrell

Name Committees

Working behind the scenes to make the play possible are the following committees: Stage Crew members, with Norman Wolfe as chairman, are Roberta Beal, Doug Bostick, Denny Grassel, Bob Leech, Wyatt and Wayne McDowell, Sharyl Thomas, Tom Spitzer, and Clarence Eubanks.

The Ticket Committee headed by Karen Cline, has Judy Andrews, Pat Barnhart, Janet Best, Pat Braddock, Johanna Burns, Nancy Doty, and Carol Marietta as members.

Faye Vance will act as chairman of the Ticket Representative Committee. Other members are Alice Barlow, Mel Coleman, Cynthia Crunkilton, Sandy Frost, George Jividen, and Mary Osgar.

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Planners Bare '57 Schedule Changes

Not too many major changes will be made in the schedules for the 1957-58 school year, although a few are being planned.

Down in the old gymnasium (now the maintenance department) the wood and metal shops will be located.

The rooms now used for shops will be redecorated and used for art rooms with all seventh grade and some eighth grade art classes having double periods.

All Editorial Staff members will have staff meetings during the eighth period with some members meeting twice a week during the seventh period.

Calendar of Events

Today—Assembly
Zoological
March 29—Band Parents' Play
April 1—Assembly
Vocal Quartet
April 3—3th and 9th pictures
April 4—9th Grade Play
Matinees
April 5—9th Grade Play
Evening Performance
April 9—Polio Shots
April 11—P.T.A.
April 19—Vacation

35 On Honor Roll

Not only have there been some bright days during the past six weeks, but there have also been thirty-five bright students who made honor roll for the fourth six-weeks period.

All-A students were Kathy Michener in the seventh grade, and Karen Cline, Janet Massey, Shirley Reiter, and Joe Schengili from the ninth grade.

Others in the seventh grade who made honor roll were Pat Brinley, Mary Cover, Kristin Fitzgerald, Linda Frizzell, Ellen Garrison, Shirley Garver, Diane Gertel, Barbara Grant, Freddie Mae Hill, Donna Hoffman, Thomas Hudson, Bob Knight, Jerry Nichols, Gilbert Ray, Polly Schillinger, Louis Simpson, Dianne Snyder, Cheryl Them, Laurel Thompson, Charles Walls, and Carole Weaver.

In the eighth grade were Harvey Welker, Carlyn Pfau, Shirley Long, Nancy Ezzard, Nettie Jessee, Judy Radick, Claudia Baker, and Dawn Doerrer.

Two ninth graders were on honor roll: Martha Swineford, and Carol Marietta.

History Repeats Itself As 'Times' Takes First Place Rating Again

"Twenty years ago today, "The Times" received first place rating at the 13th Annual Convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association held at Columbia University in New York City," reported the Mansfield News-Journal last week.

History was repeated, as results were posted at the 33rd Convention when this honor was again given The Times. During the 30 years of publication the paper has received either Medalist or First place each year.

Representatives of the Editorial Staff returned Sunday from the Convention held last week. Diana Doerrer, Dixie Lang, Molly Park, and Miss Elsie McFadden attended the meeting at which more than 5,000 students and advisers from more than 30 states were present.

Features speakers at the three-day conference were Charles Van Doren of television fame, the Honorable Averill Harriman, Governor of New York, and Martha Rountree of the "Press Conference" television program.

A highlight on the last day of the meeting was the luncheon, the largest one of its kind ever to be served in the main ball room of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

Sightseeing included an after-dark trip to the top of the Empire State Building and a just-at-sunset excursion past the Statue of Liberty.

Parent Groups Go Back to School in Comedy Show

"Readin', 'Ritin', and 'Rith-metic" will be presented by the Band and Orchestra Parents' Club next Friday night. There will be a school matinee in addition to the evening performance.

Those featured in the cast will be Mr. Kempton Oakes, Mr. Joe Romano, Mr. Louis Cellini, Mr. Lawrence Radick, Mrs. Arthur Schmidt, Miss Kay Butler, Miss Marianna Russell, Miss Hester Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin, Mrs. Doyle Simpson, Mr. Robert Brashares, Mr. Ray Gerrell, and Mrs. Leslie Pierce.

Directing the play is Mr. Harold McCuen, who is well known as a director of the Children's Theater and other groups. Mrs. Stanley Marietta is general chairman for the play.

In charge of publicity are Mr. and Mrs. Al Gordon while Mr. and Mrs. Roger Humphrey will promote the sale of tickets.

The price of tickets? Only 25 cents for students and 50 cents for adults!

Kingwood Exhibits Best in Student Art

Students from all over Mansfield are taking part in an art exhibit at Kingwood Center. The exhibit, which is free to the public, started on March 3 and will continue until this evening.

James Rader's stabile and Leroy Rose's water color received special recognition at the Kingwood Exhibit. Three other students, who had their entries sent to Akron to the M. O'Neil Company for exhibition, are John Tasker, Barbara Wymer, and Robert Martin. John did a crayon still life, Barbara a water color, and Robert a leaf design.

Seventh grade students in Mr. Daniel's art classes who have work in the exhibit at Kingwood are Arlene Weikle and Ken Massey, leaf designs; Edeltraud Haip, Elisabeth Schmidt, and Barbara Pemberton, scratch designs; Maggie Melton, Nancy Antrican, Gerhart Roff, Sarah Steele, and Wayne Moore, tiles; Louis Simpson, Paul Diener, and Rita Rickey, portraits; Larry Panarus, Ruth Bradshaw, James Smith, Joe Lawhorn, and John Tasker, wire figures; Mike Leni and Robert Knight wire mobiles; Virginia Swinford, Mary Hurrell, Rickie Heckert, and Richard Shasky, collages; Larry Panarus, paper-mache squirrel; Joanne Warrack and Ralph Nixon, flower designs.

Ron Burggraf, stabile; Barbara Wymer, Gus Peter, and Dorothy Lambert, water colors; Mike Mumaw, Ellen Garrison, Ruby Swarn, Barbara Wymer and Henry Hunsinger, copper designs; Joanne Warrack and Larry Hursh, paper sculptures; Linda Frizzell, stabile and charcoal picture.

Eighth, Ninth Exhibits

Mr. Morgan's classes are represented by the following eighth grade students: Dawn Doerrer, a monogram; Diana Dudte and Howard Myers, crayon drawings; Bruce Konves, an ink etching.

Ninth graders: Pat Crego, Lois Henderson, Kay Hoffman, Beverly Milum, Tom Petroff, Martin Bohland, and Becky Kaler are exhibiting paintings; Lena Kedill, a paper-mache mask; Larry Armstrong, an ink drawing; Argus Gene, cartoon; Roger Teeters and Ivan Dukich, paper sculptures.

Carole Weaver Wins Times Essay Contest

This morning on the Public Address System, prizes will be awarded the winners of The Times Essay Contest.

Winner of first prize, a record album of her choice, is Carole Weaver, a seventh grade student from home room 106, for her entry "Why I Like The Times". Second prize, four passes to the Ohio Theater, was won by Bob Rodey of home room 209. Third prize winner is Jane Arnold, home room 114, who receives two tickets to the ninth grade play.

Honorable Mention winners are Jane Wagner, 208, Sharon Boyd, 210, and Mary Coats, 208.

Opinions of the paper, as registered in the essays, ranged from "It is excellent" to "It is becoming boring." Fifty-six entries were submitted in the contest which was staged for the purpose of getting new ideas for future issues.

Deep River Quartette to Present Vocal Music at Assembly Program

The Deep River Quartette will present an assembly April 1st in the John Simpson Auditorium. This group of two women and two men have received praise at other assemblies for their selection of music, as well as their excellent singing voices.

The manager, Roy Lockett, a lyric tenor, studied at the Cleveland Institute of Music and was a voice major at Western Reserve University. He was a member for two seasons in the production of "Carmen Jones," a member of Karamu Quartette in Cleveland, and a winner on the Arthur Godfrey Show.

Elizabeth Hardy Lockett, contralto and pianist, went to Heidelberg College at Tiffin, Ohio.

June Bosley, a soprano from St. Louis, Missouri, is a graduate of Lincoln University. She won the Omega Showboat Contest in 1953, was a member of "Wings over Jordan" for three years, and a star of radio and television.

A tenor, Robert Williams, also from St. Louis, received two scholarships to Washington University in that city.

Scribes Attend 17th Kent News Clinic

Dixie Lang will cover the Dramatized News Event; Shirley Reiter, a Mass Interview; and Diana Doerrer, the speech of the morning meeting, when the Editorial Staff travels to Kent University on April 27. The event is the Seventeenth Annual Clinic of the Northeastern Ohio Press Association.

The Times has entered articles in the Pre-Clinic contest. These include the best of each printed during this school year—news article, editorial, feature, column, photograph, story of the clinic, and best printed newspaper for junior high schools. Winners of

these will be announced in the program and the awards will be given at the morning meeting.

Members of the Editorial Staff are eligible to attend the clinic. A chartered bus will pick the students up at the building at 6:30 a.m.

Round-table discussions on various subjects such as news writing, editorials, and features will be held during the afternoon.

A final assembly will be held in the auditorium at 4 o'clock when winners of the contest of the day will receive their awards.

Step Right Up! Get Protection Now!

Only 246 students or approximately 21 per cent of the 1193 students at John Simpson have had polio shots, or have begun to take them, in spite of all the publicity of the **March of Dimes Campaign** and the **Mothers' March on Polio**.

Members of the American Medical Association in Richland County realize the urgency of getting the Salk Vaccine into as many pupils as possible before the beginning of the polio season. To do this, during the latter part of this month and the early part of April, physicians are setting up clinics in the schools to administer free shots to students up to 19 years of age.

Polio is a dreadful, crippling disease to which the average teenager pays little attention, not

grasping the necessity of taking polio shots for its prevention. Anyone is susceptible to the disease, but most frequently it attacks those from birth to 40 years.

The life of an average person, who is stricken suddenly with polio, would be changed: The results of the disease could be thousands of dollars spent for medical expenses, years of therapy, and still a physical handicap or possible death. All of these can now be prevented by just three simple shots.

The Times joins the members of the American Medical Association in urging the 79 per cent of Simpson students, who have not had the shots, to get them as soon as possible.

You're Needed on This Team

Now that students are thinking of next year's schedules it would be well for them to think of school activities outside of the classroom.

As most of us know, it takes team work to make anything successful. Let's ask ourselves if we've joined the team of Simpson students to make it a better school. This "team" is made up of various organizations, for people of all interests. Like any team it must have students working together for the good of all.

The only requirement to make this "team" is an active interest. For instance, it's a proud homeroom that accepts the banner for having the best team in the intramural games. The students in this homeroom understood that, in order to win, they had to have team work and an active interest in the activity that was offered to them.

If a student has a question or a suggestion that will help better our school, he may tell his Student Council representatives who will, in turn, have the Student Council study the matter and possibly act on it.

For those interested in machines and their operations Audio-Visual Aids Club membership is available. Those who enjoy writing can try the Editorial Staff. For sports lovers, there are the various football and basketball teams for the boys and G.A.A. for the girls. Other organizations to which membership will be available next year are Monitors, Business Staff, and office or store workers.

For a well-balanced school diet, try at least one activity outside the classroom.

The schools of today are helping prepare students for the future by teaching responsibility. Students should take advantage of this teaching by taking an active interest in school activities, which will reward them with knowing both their school and their classmates better.



The Editorial Staff wishes to thank those who are contributing to the paper — teachers, pupils, and office staff. Keep up the good work!



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| March 23
Karen Cline, Dawn Doerer, Karen Michener | March 24
Karen Lang | March 25
Ray Mion, Linda Flowers | March 26
Robert Baker, Karen Henderson | March 27
Steve Nichols, Bobbie Crawford | March 28
Dixie Lang, Ronald Messer | March 29
Jonnie Chew | March 30
Eleanor Bovin | March 31
Larry Frontz | April 1
William Brinkman | April 2
Barbara Boswell, Harold Stewart | April 3
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| James Black | April 4
Judy Andrews, Harry Fochtman, Garl Adkins, Barbara Garber, George Estep | April 5
Dick Brady, John Hoard, Dick Leger, Marilyn Martin | April 6
Varlene Sollenberger, Barbara Pemberton, Freddie Grantling | April 7
Marijane Kleer, Sandra Zehner, Chadwick Putman, Elizabeth Hardner | April 8
Delores Remmer, Jim Contra, Larry Wood, Marilyn Baker | April 9
Bonnie Mothews, Willie Thomas, Ruth Chronister | April 10
Merle Simon, Charles Riddlebaugh | April 11
Lowell Spence, Michael Allsbury, Mary Hurrell | April 12
Rena Crawford, Freddie Mae Hill, Shirley Crockett, Robert Gurtz | April 13
Nancy Kasper, Pat Shearer, Larry Bristow | April 14
Tom Blair, Jim Adams, Sandra Luckie, Albert Rabquer | April 15
Patty Eccles, Carole Weaver, Wanda Dinger | April 16
Archie Bartram, Jim McKee | April 17
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Signs of Spring

- Among the most common signs of Spring are these:
- Ever increasing appearance of marbles . . .
 - Decline in Honor and Honorable Mention Rolls . . .
 - Jackets replacing coats . . .
 - Girls turning around to find themselves staring down the barrels of squirt guns . . .
 - Whistling in the halls . . .
 - Open windows in classrooms . . .
 - Screams of terror as snakes (rubber of course!) are waved in front of feminine noses . . .
 - Kites entwined in tree branches . . .
 - Footprints on floors, left by muddy shoes . . .
 - Clock watchers counting minutes till they can be off to a sand-lot baseball game . . .
 - Petticoats being worn under bright spring skirts . . .
 - Bermuda shorts replacing long johns . . .
 - All these add up to Spring Fever—and the cause, SPRING!

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor: Why aren't students allowed to chew gum? Some of the teachers do.

If others want to make themselves look silly by chewing gum, why do as they do? Most books of etiquette will tell that it's extremely impolite to chew gum in front of the others, especially when they have no choice but to watch.

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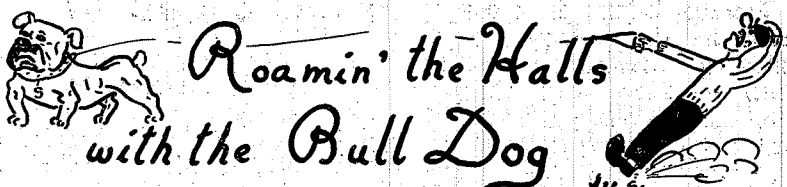
In answer to the question asking why there have been so many fights and also how Simpson can regain its good name:

There is, of course, no excuse for the fights which have been taking place. Let's all remember that only a very small per cent of the Simpson population has been involved and the actions of that group should not reflect upon the people who try to be good school citizens.

If each student would try a little harder to co-operate, and teachers would keep trying to better understand the students, relations at school would be better all the way around.

Anyway, spring is coming and everyone will feel better when they can get out more.

As to regaining Simpson's good name, there's only one way! Each person must realize he is a representative, good or bad, of his school. When his actions are good, he builds up a good reputation for the school. Let's all get to work on it!



Diane Schmidt

Attention! Mrs. Theaker's Math Class!

Bbl. does not stand for bubbles!

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Need exercise?

If so, join Sharyl Thomas in the parade that is trying to find a place to sit during a band concert.

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Weird sounds:

A clarinet player trying to play a trumpet for the first time. Oh, well, that's one way of exercising the jaws!

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We Wonder:

If the seventh grade student who was looking for vitamin (Viet Nam) on the map found it.

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We Worry:

Mrs. Mitchell said she couldn't see through her bifocals. (bifocals)

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Teenage Gibberish and Translations:

"I gotta be motivatin'." Translation—"I gotta be going."

Substitutes Deserve Our Best Behavior

Remember the time you had a substitute teacher in your English or math class? Boy, what a time you probably had! Maybe you knew you shouldn't have acted up, but you did anyhow.

We students should remember that a substitute is there for a specific purpose, trying her best to teach the class. She is to be treated as the regular teacher is. We should be very polite to her, helping her in any way we can by participating in all class discussions.

Let's imagine you're the substitute coming into a strange classroom, meeting strange people who are acting like first graders. What would you do?

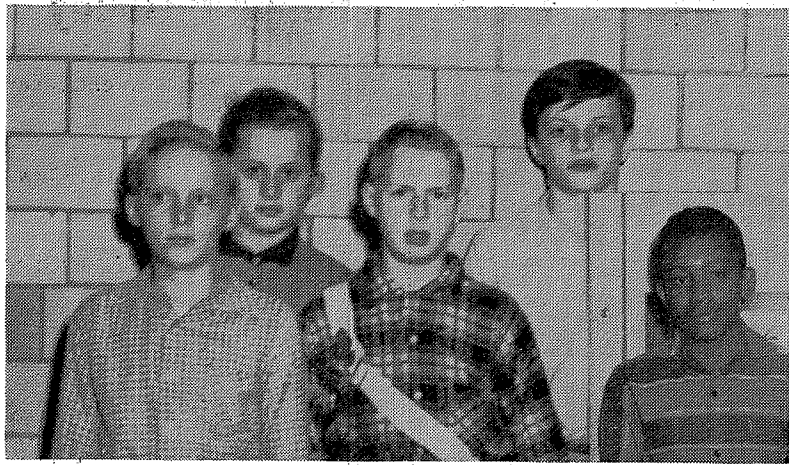
Remember the substitute's impression of the school is based on her experience with the class. If that experience is pleasant, she helps to build a good reputation for the school by what she says about it.

Substitutes can be compared to baby sitters. While the mother is out, the baby sitter is there to do the best she can for the baby. When the teacher is not there, a substitute is there to keep the class in order and carry on the regular class routine.

Believe it or not:
Ethel Adams is the only girl at Simpson that has a beard, mustache, and Elvis Presley sideburns. (in Speech class)

A Flea and a Fly

ANONYMOUS
A flea and a fly in a flue
Were imprisoned, so what could they do?
Said the fly, "Let us flee,"
"Let us fly, said the flea,
So they flew through a flaw in the flue."
From Reading-Literature bk-I

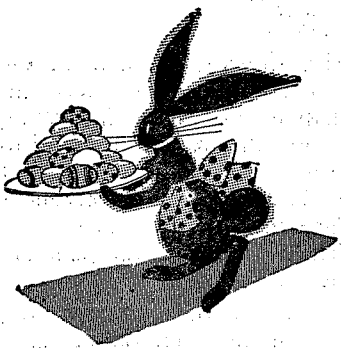


Back row: Barbara Wymer, James Rader; Front row: John Tasker, Robert Martin, Leroy Rose

The Shaker B of Shaker Bryon Junior High School in Cleveland, Ohio, tells of the honor study hall organized for the purpose of relieving the library of the students who wish to study during their lunch periods. If the pupils do not use the study hall correctly, it will be dropped.

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Mr. Charles P. Calendar who previously taught at Simpson is now teaching math at Audubon Junior High School in Cleveland, Ohio, reports the Audubon Call.



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Spelling Can Be Fun

Making up stories which use the words in a spelling lesson can be fun. Claudia Baker and Judy Radick produced the following story the first time they tried. The words in dark print were the ones in the lesson.

Behind The Steel Curtain

The life of a criminal is not a very prosperous one. When he decides to execute his crime, he knows that the law will be in constant pursuit of him until he decides to surrender to his consequences and accept his appropriate discipline.

During his first few weeks in the salt mines of Siberia he will show a hateful countenance and will be cunning and critical of the inferior men about him.

Later on there will be compliance and a mutual defense for a specific guard and his assistant who will give him bread and water. Yum!!! Yum!!! He will have a new lease on life even if there isn't an excess of food. He learns economy and will get a dividend from the favors he respectfully does for the warden.

There is an extension on the sentence and he will live separately from society in the pepper mills of Tibet.

Simpson former students had a landslide in election of the Sophomore class officers at Mansfield Senior High as told in The Hyphonerian.

The former president of the ninth grade class, Erwin Brauchler, again received the position for the sophomores.

Last year's Miss Simpson, Sally Heckert, received the office of treasurer and Cathy Culp became secretary.

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Press Club Adds Two Plan Papers

Alta Hibbard and Nancy Ezzard, having thirty-five inches at the end of the fifth issue of "The Times," became new members of Press Club. At this time, Nancy is the only eighth grader who has been taken into Press Club this year. Initiation will be held at a later date.

A party held at Miss Elsie McFadden's house on February 21 gave the new members a chance to become better acquainted. In the different games played, Alta Hibbard, Karen Cline, Nancy Ezzard and Molly Park won prizes.

Staff members will again be eligible for the club at the end of the sixth issue when they must have had fifty inches published.

Typists Study, Report Varied Subjects

In the personal use typing Catalogue. Classes taught by Miss Marianna Russell, the pupils are working throughout the semester on research papers.

Each student was allowed to choose any subject he was most interested in, from over two hundred subjects suggested. Some of the subjects, for example, are methods of Heart Surgery, New-est Cameras on the Market, The Activity of Detectives, Study of Heredity, Guided Missiles, Juvenile Delinquency. Manners and Customs, Weather Predictions, and Care of Animals.

Typing students found materials in the school library with the help of Miss Betty Dunn, who assisted them in the use of the Reader's Guide and the Card

However, searching for materials will not only include the school library, but the city library, Senior High Library, newspapers, materials at home, places of business, or any authority on their chosen subject.

Now the students are in the process of taking notes for their research papers. They're being taught the mechanics of putting down information accurately. Punctuation, order, and spacing are stressed.

After the notes are secured, they will be transferred to 4"x6" cards and then to their research papers.

Miss Russell feels that these papers will benefit the students in a number of ways.

Eighth Grade Leads Honorable Mention

The month of March blew in with 125 students listed on honorable mention. The eighth grade led with 47, while the seventh grade and ninth grade had 39 each.

The seventh graders are Gene Bernat, Howard Camak, Paul Chamberlin, Ruth Chronister, Sally Conrad, Patty Daugherty, Heidi Dech, Linda Flowers, Carolyn Garrett, Stanley Gleisinger, Freddie Granthing, Carolyn Hackett, Larry Hatfield, Rickie Heckert, Mary Jefferson, Karen Lang, Ken Lanthorne, Donald Lemon, Sandra Luckie, Michael Mast, James Million, Delores Mills, Garnet Morgan, Vickie Mosey, David Myers, John

Owens, Peggy Perry, Jack Plew, Patty Schillinger, Larry Scott, Richard Shasky, Nancy Sqrow, Jean Swank, Ruby Swarn, Linda Thomas, Joanne Warraick, Marilyn Williams, Sally Williams, and Sharon Workman.

The eighth graders are Linda Amsbaugh, Clay Bixler, Bonnie Burkholder, Mathew Burrage, Gary Collins, James Cyrus, Carol Dinger, Diana Dudte, Patty Eccles, Judy Edwards, Lynne Erndt, Rodney Gilde, Iona Gordon, Linda Griebing, Stan Hale, Richard Hammer, Ruth Hammett, Jane Henderson, Diana Hubner, Patty Ickes, Richard Judt, Norman Klase, Eva Knipp, Lutz Kunze, Douglas Leech, Pat Maglott, Jean Martin, Billy McQuillen, Karen Michener, Rebecca Newman, Carol Nichols, Evelyn Nolen, Gary Owens, Sharyn Pasheilich, Linda Pfahler, Judy Philpott, Janice Price, Larry Schaffer, Tim Simon, Charlotte Stehle, Sharon Swank, Tommy Templeton, Karen Urschel, Paul Walker, Robert Wakely, Robert Wymer, and Karen Zellner.

The ninth grade consists of: Jane Arnold, Larry Amsbaugh, Dave Blizzard, Gerald Bohus, Douglas Bostick, Sharon Boyd, Patti Braddock, Johnny Burns, Mary Coats, Mel Coleman, Patricia Crumrine, Cynthia Crunkilton, Diana Doerrer, Fred Douglas, Sandra Frost, Drake Glasgow, Bob Gurtz, Pat Hart, Alta Hibbard, Sharon Honse, Craig Humphrey, Judy Kline, Frank Kudika, Marilyn Martin, Beverly Milum, Raymond Mion, Martha Molihan, Molly Park, Janet Parry, Bob Rodey, Carol Schnitke, Judy Shade, Gary Schrock, Bill Taylor, Louri Thompson, Martha Vance, Nancy Volz, Jane Wagner, and Louise Wilcox.

Panelists Add Spice To Social Studies

Social science during the seventh period in Mr. Richard Blancett's class has a new twist these days. Mr. Blancett acts as moderator as four members of the class form a panel. The other class members ask questions, such as, "Where are the United States Mints located?" or "Where is the government stock of gold stored?"

Mr. Blancett feels that "This arrangement develops a competitive spirit between panel and class."

Some of the outstanding panel members are Nick Arbutina, Mel Coleman, and Molly Park.

Another plan being used by the teachers is that of having students secure speakers for their classes. These speakers, experts in their fields, come to school to tell the students about their work.

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Students Represent Many Nationalities

Clay Bixler, Jr.

There are six new foreign students at John Simpson this year: **Elise Gies** from Germany, from room 200A; **Antonia Rispoli** from Italy, homeroom 109; **Ernst Hofsaess** from Germany, home room 105; **Elsabeth Schmidt** from Germany, home room 105; **Edeltraud Haip** from Vienna, Austria, homeroom 105 and **Peter Bogner** from Germany, home room 18.

Elsabeth Schmidt and Peter Bogner are from Stuttgart, Germany. There they had school from 8:00 in the morning to 1:00 in the afternoon. They had a ten-minute rest period after every hour. Their subjects were the same as in junior high here except that they studied chemistry and Latin. They have only 8 grades and pupils enter school when they are 6 years old. Elsabeth has been in the U.S. six months and Peter two months. They both say the food is better here. Peter had already finished school in Germany but doesn't mind returning to school here, he says.

Elise Gies is from Plierhausen, Germany. In Plierhausen school is in session all year. Pupils usually attend from 8:00 to 12:00 A.M. Some days they remain until their lessons are done. Elise, too, had already completed her education in Germany. There, Elise says, the children want to do as the teacher tells them and are very obedient. Elise has been in John Simpson ten weeks.

Ernst Hofsaess is from Seagen, Germany. Ernst has been here two and one half months. He likes riding in an automobile better than anything else. He had

only five weeks of summer vacation there. "The teachers were very strict," Ernst says. There they had no grades; a pupil just attended school until he was fourteen years old.

Edeltraud Haip is from Vienna, Austria. She likes to play the piano best of all. In Vienna the teachers came to the pupils who had school for a few hours each day. Edeltraud's hardest subject there was chemistry. Her best subject was art.

Antonia Rispoli is from S. Ilario Ionio and is in the state of Reggio Calabria in Italy. That part of Italy is down in the "boot." In Italy school is from 8:00 to 1:00 and pupils study six subjects per day. Antonia said they stayed in one room all day and at noon they went home for lunch. There were at least 35 in a class.

The state paid for the pupil's education after that the parents paid. Antonia had finished nine grades and was ready to start studying English when she came over. In the Public Catholic school she attended she studied about the same subjects as here. She had two teachers, one for gym and the other for academic subjects. Antonia says "She likes America very much." She has been here three months.

(Ed. Note—Since this article was written Antonia Rispoli withdrew to enter St. Peter's High School in Mansfield.)

Irish Celebration

In the streets of an Irish town on Saint Patrick's Day, picturesque old women push their carts, heavily loaded with shamrocks, and call, "Buy my shamrocks!"

On this day it is also customary for the rich to give food and clothing to the poor before they depart to attend the Grand Ball which is held in a large hall such as Saint Patrick's Hall.

There is always a big parade as well as a true Irish dance festival. Wherever there is an Irishman, Saint Patrick's Day will be celebrated to the fullest extent in honor of their Irish Saint.



Coming down the stairs are: top row, Elsie Gies, Peter Bogner 2nd row, Antonia Rispoli, Ernst Hofsaess, Elsabeth Schmidt, Edeltraud Haip.

Happy Birthday

April 19

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April 20

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April 21

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April 22

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April 24

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April 25

Jim Bollinger

April 26

Terry Wendland, Gerald Bohus, Ronnie Logan, Alice Barlow

April 27

Marilyn Eller, Kenneth Hildebrand, Ercel Littleton

April 28

Nicholas Arbutina, Rickie Hekert, Larry Hatfield, Jack Gibson

April 29

Donald Kissel, Nick Williams

April 30

Marcia DePue, Vickie Mosey, Frank Petty, Jesse Gonzales, Richard Jacobs

May 1

Harold Payne

May 2

Ina Sampsel, Sally Williams, John Owens

May 3

Charles Byerly, Monna Myers

What I Like Best about "The Times"

Bob Rodey - 209

It is difficult for me to pinpoint one certain thing about **The Times** that I like most, since I do enjoy the entire paper. However, here are some very good features that I especially like about **The Times**.

First of all, the paper is interesting because of the variety of subjects—this always makes reading less monotonous. It gives the Simpson students the low-down on the school events such as assemblies, dances, etc.

I particularly enjoy reading the sports page because it tells in

full detail all about the games in which the Simpson students participate, as well as information in regard to former Simpsonites who have later made good in the world of sports.

Also I must not fail to mention the fine work that the Editorial Staff is doing. The editorials are very interesting to me. I especially like the one in the latest issue which bore the title, "Will the Country Be Safe in Our Hands?" It contained many good ideas of which most of us never give a thought. This particular editorial made me realize that we teenagers ought to take an interest in our government and world affairs.

Much credit should also be given to the photography department for the splendid job it is doing. Everyone enjoys pictures because they make a school paper more interesting, and I must say that the pictures are exceptionally good.

Also the write-ups on the school assemblies are very informative, not only in letting us know what to look forward to in the coming assemblies, but also they give us an excellent background of the participants which helps to make the assembly more interesting.

All in all, in my estimation, the **John Simpson Times** is a very fine school paper and the staff personnel should be commended for doing a fine job.

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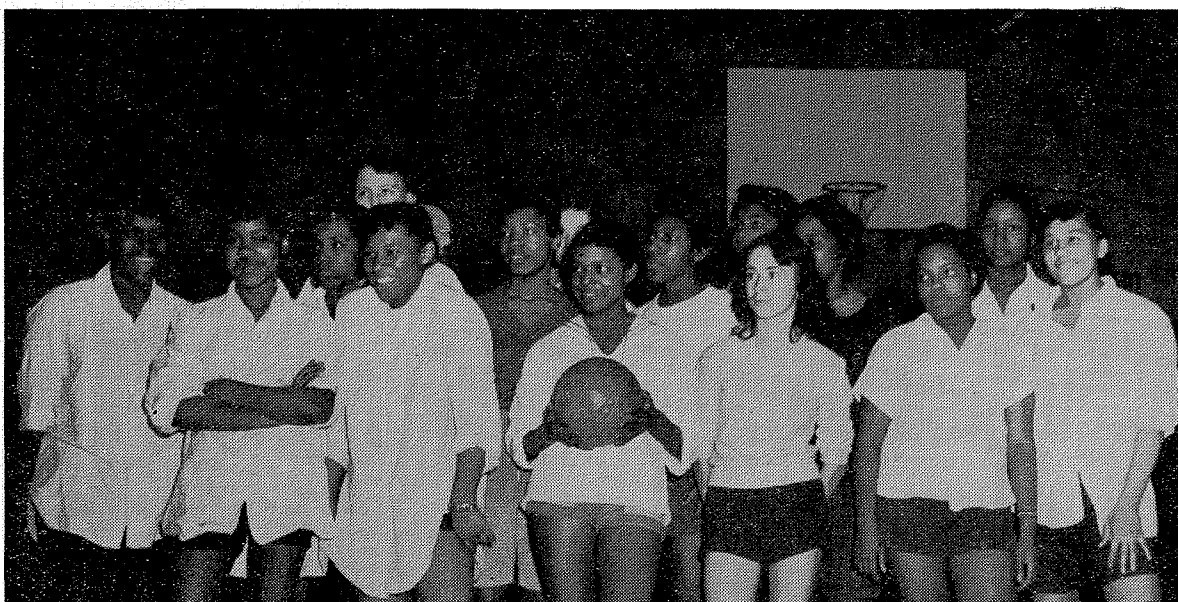
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Girls Referee Games

New referees for the volleyball games at noon in the ninth grade are Joyce English, captain; Sarah Bonds, Renatha Ray, Arlene Merritt, Sylvia Shepard, and Emily Roane.

The eighth grade referees are: Jonnie Chew and Delores Rimmer, co-captains, Gloria Black, Shirley Burrage, Iona Gordon, Carolyn Shepard, Anice Majors, Veronica Williams, Carlene Hoagland, and Linda Hubbard.

Their duties are to call fouls, keep score, tell whose serve it is, keep the players in order and in general, just fill the job of referee.



Eight Girls Chosen To Be Cheerleaders

Chosen as cheerleaders for next year are the following girls: Evonne Davis, Lynne Erndt, Sharyn Pasheilich, Janice Price, Sharon Swank, Patty Schillinger, Polly Schillinger, and Sally Williams.

To fill the qualifications of a cheerleader, a person must have rhythm, poise, voice, grades not below "C", definite motions, and some gymnastic ability.

When chosen as a cheerleader, a person must also be able to assume all of the responsibilities of one. One of these responsibilities is being a good leader. A cheerleader is suppose to be cheering for the team, and not putting on a dance routine; A cheerleader is to set an example of good citizenship to others who need to be taught. A cheerleader must be on her toes all the time, even when she isn't leading a cheer.

Speaking of Sports

Jack Meenach

Hi, sports fans! If you're interested in track, see Mr. Maccioli who is in charge of the track team for this year.



If baseball meets your fancy, check with Mr. Romano who will give you information as to when tryouts will be held.

Last year the Simpson Baseball Team was unable to play any of the games scheduled because of rain.

The winners of the boys' volleyball games are to be congratulated. They are ninth grade home room 18, eighth grade cafeteria home room, seventh grade home room 212.

In Major League Baseball, the teams are now in spring training camps and are doing great in their exhibition games. Are you predicting who will win the pennants in each league?

Next issue I'll stick my neck out and make a few guesses.

Watch for the story of the Football and Basketball Banquet in the next issue. It was announced too late for this one.

Game Found to be over 50 Years Old

Judy Radick

Volleyball started in 1895 when Mr. William Morgan developed a team while working in the Y.M.C.A. in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He used a tennis net stretched about 6½ feet from the floor.

The bladder of a basketball was the first thing used for a ball. It was too slow and light; a basketball was too heavy and large. Finally he used a ball similar to the one we use now.

At first the game was divided into innings and any number of people could play.

Separate rules for girls were published in 1924. The United States Volleyball Association was formed in 1928 and at Los Angeles in 1949 the first national tournament for college teams was held.

There are several differences in the game as played by the boys and as played by the girls. Two differences are:

1. On girls' team, there are eight players. On a boys' team, there are six players.
2. The positions on a girls' team are right back, center back, left back, left center, right center, left forward, center forward, and right forward. On a boys' team the positions are: Left forward, center forward, right forward, left back, center back, and right back.

For those on the sidelines during a girls' volleyball game, here

are some of the rules the girls must observe:

1. The serve is made from behind the right one-third of the base line by the right back. It may be hit in any way with the hand. It must go over the net into the other court. The server must not step over the base line until she has hit the ball.
2. The ball must not touch any part of the body except the hand or forearm.
3. The ball must be clearly batted or volleyed. It cannot be held, lifted, pushed, or scooped.
4. It is a foul to touch the net, reach over the net to play the ball, or step over the center line under the net.
5. When the serving team fouls, it loses the serve. When the receiving team fouls, a point is scored for the serving team.
6. The ball must be volleyed before it touches the floor.
7. A ball touching a line is good.
8. After the opposing team has lost the serve, the team taking the ball for the serve rotates one position, clockwise, before serving. The player in the right back area serves.

Track Schedule

With spring coming, all thoughts are turned to the track season. The following schedule has just been announced:

April 4 Ontario
April 11 Shiloh
April 15 Plymouth
April 20 Mansfield Relays
April 22 Lexington
April 29 Union
May 6 Sophomores
May 15 at Shelby

All track meets are held at Stadium Field back of the high school.

Sparks from Parks

Molly Park

Girls in gym classes have been wearing their sippers lately because social dancing is now being taught. The dances are: the jitterbug, two-step, and schottische.

Volleyball intramurals are in full swing with all the

seventh, eighth, and ninth grade home rooms competing against each other. Eighth and ninth grade girls are the referees for these games. Are you helping your home room to become a champion?

Congratulations! Eight Simpsonites have been chosen to lead the cheers during the 1957-58 football and basketball seasons. They are as follows: Evonne Davis, Lynne Erndt, Sharyn Pasheilich, Janice Price, Sharon Swank, Patty Schillinger, and Sally Williams.

March was the first meeting of the G.A.A. officers since January. Indefinite plans for election of new officers were made. Girls will have the opportunity to run for office late in April with the new officers' names being announced at the picnic scheduled for sometime in May.

Group Plans Election

The officers of the Girls' Athletic Association held a meeting early in March to discuss the way in which girls may sign up to run for a G.A.A. office for next year. A chart will be hung so that the names of the candidates for each office may be written on it.

In May the girls will have a picnic when they will announce names of the new officers and give out awards.

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Usherettes under the leadership of Alta Hibbard are Nicky Bogolis, Sonja Brown, Linda Calver, Molly Park, Renatha Ray, and Penny Zartman.

Head of the Publicity Committee is Pat Hart instructing Erlene Burrage, Phil Cook, Pat Crumrine, Carolyn Hall, Jane O'Neil, Tom Petroff, Marcia Simpson, and Jeanne Williams.

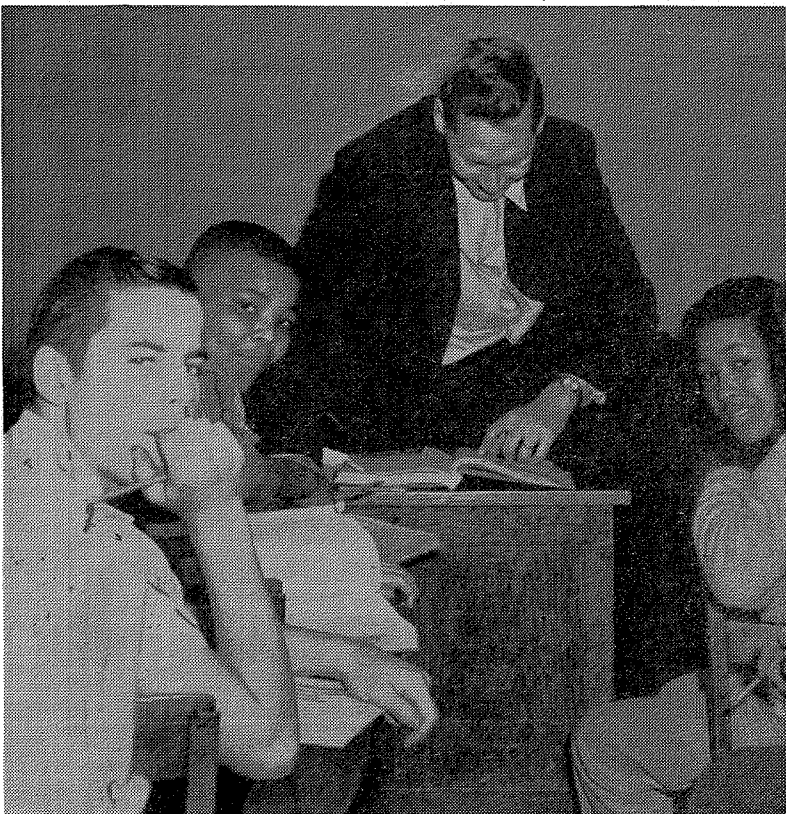
Carol Adams will be in charge of props with Bob Evans, Marilyn Martin, Shirley Reiter, and Glenda Snyder assisting.

On the Make-up Committee, headed by Pat Damron, are Ethel Adams, Wanda Dinger, Bob Lutz, Varlene Sollenberger, Marty Swineford, and Dennis Weighman.

Diana Byers and Emily Roane are in charge of costumes; Gunther Meisse takes care of sound effects; Stage Manager is Jerry Bohus.

Matinee performance tickets for April 4 will be sold at the store window for 20 cents while tickets for the evening show go on sale March 25. They will be sold by the home rooms students.

Adult tickets will be 50 cents and student tickets will be 25 cents for the evening performance.



Enjoying class at the moment are Gilbert Ray, Elroy Allen, Mr. Haenel, and Tim Welty

Meet Mr. James Haenel, New Teacher

Mr. James Haenel, the new teacher in 112, came to Simpson recently to take Mr. Leslie Pierce's geography classes.

A graduate of Ohio State University, Mr. Haenel was a first lieutenant in the United States Army, stationed in Texas, before coming here.

He is married and lives on West Fourth Street in Mansfield. Model plans and sports of all kinds take up his spare time as hobbies.

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There will be two eight grade glee clubs next year, both of them conducted by Miss Emelie Severson.

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Carole Weaver - 106

The Times interests me for several different reasons. Just as the daily newspaper acquaints me with the city in which I live, The Times keeps me informed about my school community.

By reading its pages, I learn about the various activities which are going on in my school.

Through The Times I get better acquainted with the teams in both basketball and football, and I realize that we have fine athletic ability in our school.

As I read the stories in The Times I am aware that we have pupils who are able to express themselves well.

I also learn about the different organizations in John Simpson.

From the pictures I see, I recognize students in the hall whom otherwise I would never know. I am introduced through The Times to teachers whom I do not have.

By the column "Seein and Hearin' What's New" I am informed about the latest songs and how they rate in my school.

The list of Honorable Mention and Honor Roll pupils which is in The Times each six weeks

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Why I Like "The Times"

is proof that we have many students who are doing well in their subjects.

To add a little more interest to The Times, I think that there could be a fashion column in which the writer could tell about the latest seasonal fashions of teenagers.

I also think there should be a "Question of the Month" column with questions such as "Should there be a Teenage Curfew?", "What about Going Steady?", or "Are Parents Too Strict?" Then have the students put their answers in an opinion box. In each issue the best answer could be published.

All in all, I like The Times very, very much.

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Linda Griebling

Ten fifteen a. m.

Karen and I started our rounds. Everything was quiet. We went back to the office. Phone rang. Dum-da-dum-dum-da!

We were called to the Butterfly Club. They guy's name was Jim Dandy. He was a noted Moonlight Gambler, who had Too Much and was going Round and Round.

When asked what he thought he was doing, he replied, "I am piloting a Banana Boat. Want to join me?"

We told him to get going. We were taking him down to the station house.

He said, "You ain't nothing but a Hound-Dog."

After we went back to the office, we received another phone call. This time we were called to 218 1/4 West Fourth Street where there was an uprising in the workhouse. It seems that Marianne had started a fight with Poor Boy.

Finally we got that one settled. What a time!

We left the office at five that

night, saying "Vaya Con Dios. I'll See You in My Dreams." Dum-da-dum-dum!

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Last Monday night The Tales of Wells Fargo started starring Dale Robertson. This television show is on every Monday evening from 8:30 to 9 o'clock. It has a good historical background as well as being entertaining.

Blondie is on Friday nights from 8 to 8:30. It stars Arthur Lake as Dagwood and Pamela Britton as Blondie. Pamela says that she lives the life of Blondie at home as well as on the show. Her husband has his own method for waking himself up in the morning.

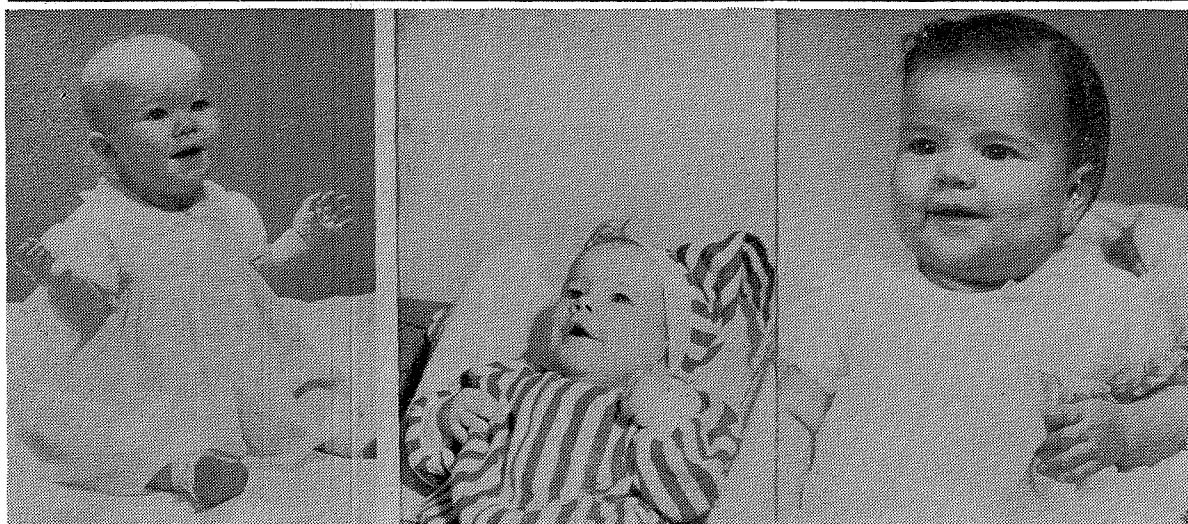
The first clock plays soft music which contents him and he just keeps on sleeping. The second clock has a light that flashes on and off, but then he just covers his head with his pillow. The third clock makes a loud crash which seems more like an explosion than an alarm clock. This third clock really gets him out of bed.

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Alta Hibbard

Looking into a crystal ball which predicts the future, we may be seeing some of the teachers of Simpson in the 1980's. Pictured above are the children of teachers who are teaching at Simpson or who have taught here in the last two years.

Robin McCullough, the oldest of our possible future teachers, is the daughter of Mrs. Lois McCullough. Robin is now 20 months old, born June 29, 1955. Mrs. McCullough stated that it is completely up to Robin whether she becomes a teacher or not. An early helper, Robin aides her mother in getting her two older sisters off to school.

The youngest of our babies Dana Arthur Pierce, may teach general science at Simpson in the future. Dana, born January 9 of this year, is the son of Mr. Leslie and Mrs. Doris Pierce. Mr. Pierce stated that he has not yet made any future plans for his son.

Beth Ann Swain, daughter of Mrs. Rita Swain, may be a future art teacher at Simpson. Six-months old Beth was born August 24, 1956 and like the other parents, Beth's will leave the choice of work up to her. Mansfield will lose Beth to Greensburg, Pennsylvania, where the Swains are planning to move soon.

Six-month-old Kelly Sue Klopfenstein daughter of Mrs. Ruth Klopfenstein could be an English teacher. Kelly is now the proud possessor of two teeth and is already practicing coughing for attention, which she will need if she follows in her mother's steps to become a teacher.

Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Swain and Mrs. Klopfenstein taught here until last June.

Kathleen Jo Romano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Romano, will be leading the exercises in the physical education classes of the future. One-year-old Kathy is already practicing by clapping her hands and waving bye-bye.

What I Like about "The Times"

Jane Arnold - 114

I like the *John Simpson Times* for many reasons. One of these reasons is because it reports the happenings at John Simpson. The *Times* also gives the pupils the pleasure of seeing their names in print.

The *John Simpson Times* has very many interesting stories and columns. "Seein' and Hearin' What's New" tells the popular tunes of the month.

The column "Roamin' the Halls with the Bull Dog" is a well-informed column telling of the funny and amusing things that have happened to students and members of the faculty of John Simpson.

The column "Bits O' News" informs the students on the events that have taken place and the events to come. The sports column tell of the happenings at John Simpson that have to do with sports.

The "Coming Events" column tells about the events such as the coming assemblies, dances, vacations, and events that have to do with sports. I can say that I enjoy reading these columns.

Another good thing about *The John Simpson Times* is that the

names of all the students that are on the Honor Roll and Honorable Mention.

The editorial page of *The John Simpson Times* has good editorials about events that are happening around John Simpson Junior High School and the events that are happening in the city of Mansfield. Another good fact about *The Times* is that it does not contain gossip.

The pictures in *The John Simpson Times* enable us to see what our fellow students have taken interest in.

The people who have worked on *The Times* can be proud of the paper that they put out to the students at John Simpson. Without Miss McFadden and Mrs. Williams, pupils at John Simpson could not put out such a fine paper nor could Miss McFadden and Mrs. Williams put out such a fine paper without the help of the Editorial and Business Staffs. We, the students of John Simpson, owe thanks to both the advisors and the staffs for furnishing us with such a paper.

I am very proud of *The Times* with all the awards it has won.

Scout - O - Rama to Be April 6, 7 At Armory

Nancy Ezzard

Harvey Welker and Bill Lomax, star scouts, and David Meeting, a second-class scout, are the Simpson boys in the Explorer Post No. 2 which is doing all the printing for the Scout-O-Rama, sponsored by the Lou-Ott Lodge, Order of the Arrow.

This Scout-O-Rama will be held April 6 and 7 at the National Guard Armory on Ashland Road.

Thirty Boy Scout booths will portray the requirements of merit badges from aviation to woodworking. Proceeds from the ticket sale will be used to provide costumes for Lou-Ott Lodge Ceremonial teams and to carry on service projects at Camp Avery Hand.

There are a number of Boy Scout troops in Mansfield but the only Explorer Post was started and is led by Mr. Klase. The only requirement for becoming

an Explorer Scout is to be a boy fourteen years of age.

Girls Honor Founder

The Girl Scouts of Mansfield will have a special booth at the Scout-O-Rama.

In the Appleseed auditorium last Saturday the girls had the Juliet Lowe Birthday Party. Badges were given and the members of the different troops put on short skits representing the various fields of Girl Scouting.

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Bits O' News

The March Issue of the American Red Cross JOURNAL carried a picture of seventh graders, under the direction of Mr. Daniels, making place mats for the blood donors.

Many Simpson students and their advisor for Junior Red Cross went to the Red Cross Chapter not long ago to get membership cards ready for mailing.

Winners of the chocolate bars for attendance during the last six weeks were home rooms 111 with 96.2%; 110 with 96.16%; and 214 with 97.97%.

Linda Hahn and Opal Riggs, 109, should be added to the honorable mention list.

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Can You Name This Mystery Teacher? Japanese Students Desire Pen Pals

This month's mystery teacher started teaching in Holmes County where he taught six classes a day. While he was there he coached boys' and girls' baseball and basketball. He also coached the class play.

This teacher is married and has three children, Stanley, Carol and Sidney. His hobbies are golf, bowling, and gardening. He has been at Simpson since 1947 and has taught science and math, as well as serving as faculty manager of athletics for several years. His home is on Red Oak Drive in the Meadowwood Allotment.

He received his B. S. degree from Wooster College and Master's degree from Ohio State.

Mr. Wilbur Young



Wasn't he a cute little boy?

The following letter asking for Pen Pals was received last week. Perhaps some of the Simpson students may be interested in corresponding with some one in Japan. If so, all letters may be brought to 101 and can be sent to Japan together.

Japan Pen Pals Club,
c/o Mrs. Osamu Takemura
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forward our wishes to the students of your school, so that we can receive letters from your boys and girls who are willing to correspond with Japanese students.

We shall be much obliged if you could write something about us on your school paper, or send us the list of the students who want to correspond with us, or send us letters, collected without cover, of them who desire to correspond with Japan.

Please write the sex, age, hobbies, desires, etc. of an individual of the students.

We shall never fail to answer, and look forward to your kind assistance.

Yours very sincerely,
Mrs. Osamu Takemura

P.S. If possible, please send us PICTURES of you.

Reiter's Rewrites

Shirley Reiter

The Hudde Penquin reports that students in the English classes at Andries Hudde Junior High School in Brooklyn, New York, are exchanging tape recordings with a school in Hawaii. The classes will present short descriptions of their activities on the tape. They also hope to establish similar communications with schools in Alaska, England, New Zealand, Australia, Israel, and Tasmania.

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THE BOOK-CORNER

Alta Hibbard

At times as we read we like fiction and at other times we like nonfiction. But the books that are sometimes appreciated most are given as gifts. Simpson has four such sets at this time. The physical education classes of Simpson donated eleven text books on health. Miss Fae Sotherland, a former teacher of Simpson, presented five books on the different aspects of art. Three books, "Prose and Poetry" were given to Simpson by Miss Louise Lynch, another former teacher of Simpson. George Toporcer gave an autographed copy of his book, "Baseball From Back Yard to Big League," to the library.

We like to read about the people of far-off lands but we also like to read about people like ourselves and people with problems like ours. Perhaps some of the books in the library will fill these desires and needs.

book designed to help teenagers with personal problems and to give them a view of what will come in the future.

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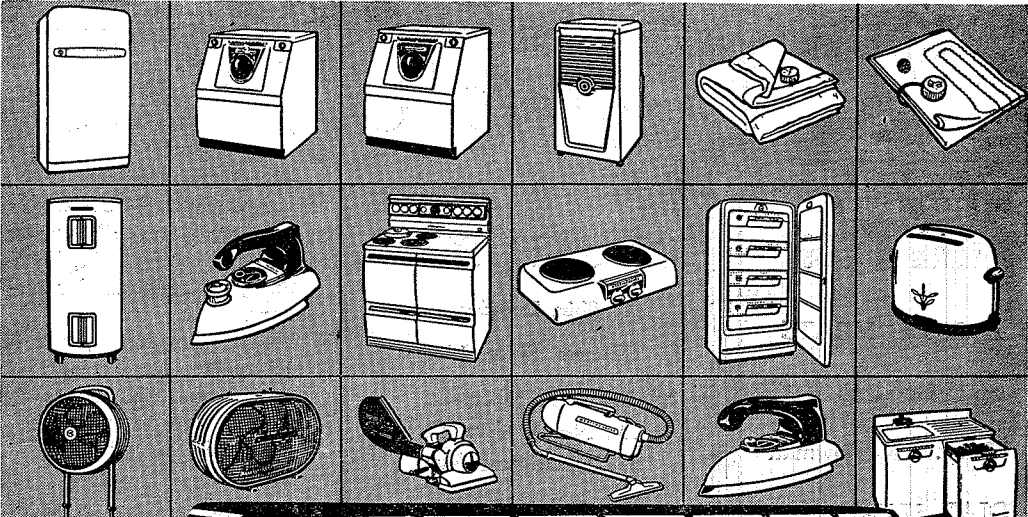
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