

FROSH TO TEST FOR SCHOLARSHIP THIS MONTH

Scholarship tests will be offered again this year for the ninth graders who wish to take them. Preliminary tests will be given Mar. 19-20. The final tests will be offered to the students who place first in each of the subjects from all junior highs participating. District tests will be held in Ashland on May 2.

The ninth graders who will go on to the district tests in Ashland are the first place winners in all of the Mansfield junior high schools. Second and third place awards are given to the winners from their own schools. Any student who is in the top 25% receives honorable mention. This is a certificate stating that one has received honorable mention for the subject in which he competed.

These tests have nothing to do with class grades. The tests provide practical experience in taking competitive tests for students interested in going to college. It also provides a means of comparison among schools.

The tests are given in French, Spanish, general science, Latin, biology and algebra. The tests are not given all on the same day, so students may take more than one of the tests. Freshmen who take these tests must pay a small fee.



Carol Smucker finds the school office a perfect place to interview Mr. Rao.

Visiting Educator Compares Systems

Several weeks ago, a stranger may have been seen visiting classes at Simpson. This stranger was Mr. C. G. Rao, a senior officer in the Andhra Pradesh State Department of Education, from India. He was at Simpson on Jan. 20-21.

Mr. Rao came to the United States with a group of 300 people from different parts of the world to compare our school systems to those in India.

The group arrived in Washington, D. C. about five months ago to find out what cities they were scheduled to visit.

Mr. Rao spent three months at Stanford University in California before coming to Mansfield.

He then toured Mansfield Senior High, Malabar and John Simpson.

When asked to compare Indian schools to those in the United States, he replied that Indian schools are much smaller and usually have a capacity of only 200-250 students.

Classes are usually attended from 8:00 to 11:00, allowing one to one and one half hours for lunch, then 2:00 - 4:30.

Students have very little opportunity to choose their subjects. The requirements are mathematics, social studies, general science, physical education, art, citizenship training, craft (spinning or woodwork), English and their regional language. When a student enters high school, he studies Hindi, the national language. Once a week a class of moral instruction is held. To graduate, a student must pass an examination conducted by the State Department of Education.

A student may participate in several extra-curricular activities. A few of these are: Boy Scouts, Girl Guides (Girl Scouts), Student Council, Junior Red Cross, Auxiliary Cadet Corps and National Cadet Corps, which consists of the army, navy and air wing.

Mr. Rao was very interested in Simpson's Student Council. In India, the Student Council only functions on Independence Day or on special assemblies.

Since this was the first time Mr. Rao had been in the United States, he had never seen snow

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Citizenship Boosts Spirit

The spirit of citizenship spread throughout Simpson the week of Feb. 10-14. The themes given for each day of the week ranged from courtesy to planning for the future.

"Good citizens observe the rights of others," was Monday's theme. Courtesy in the lunch line, in the halls and on the stairs was stressed. Destruction of school property was discouraged. Responsibility was the slogan for Tuesday.

Simpson students turned out in red, white and blue on Wednesday to show appreciation of their heritage. They also commemorated famous people born in February.

Special guest on Thursday was John Radstrom, foreign exchange student from Sweden, who is a student at Senior High. He talked to the Student Council about understanding other nationalities. Understanding other nationalities, creeds, colors and races was the theme for this day.

"The future belongs to those who prepare for it," was the slogan for the last day of the week.

"The purpose of Citizenship Week is to promote citizenship throughout the school and to make us realize how lucky we are to be living in a free country," said Pat Simmons, chairman of the citizenship committee. Others on this committee were Penny Kovenchick, Diane Green, Joey Bickers and Jan Houston.

Through their classmates' observation during the week, a boy and girl from each homeroom were chosen best citizens.

The Student Council sponsors a citizenship week every year.

MEMO FOR ARTISTS

Students may show off their "artistic ability" by designing and making memo pads and covers for the Red Cross. Any student making five or more memo pads for the Red Cross will receive a certificate at the end of the year, stated Miss Catharine Darling. Donations may be dropped off in Home Room 102.

14 Simpsonites Earn All "A's"

Simpson salutes 14 all "A" students who topped the semester Honor Roll.

Six of these "A" students were members of the ninth grade class. They were Donald Cunitz, Robert Force, Carol Schmucker, Mike Smith, Cheryl Williams and Jacob Zeiss. Other ninth grade Honor Roll students are Robert Bigelow, Kenneth Christman, Jeanne Martinell, Claudia Ruffin, Carol Smucker, Larry Socea and Elizabeth Stevens.

The ninth grade honorable mention is made up of Frank Ardis, Carolyn England, Ronnie Hamilton, Diane Hannewald, Stacia Hinz, Charles Lace, Sharon Manz, Alan Maul, Mike Mellick, Larry Pruett, Patricia Simmons, Judy Stahl, Barbara Stevens, Sally Terman and Candy Varadi.

The five eighth graders with straight "A's" are Laurel Guegold, Danny Porter, Julie Rohn, Connie Schmucker and Carol Starnes. Honor Roll members are Muriel Allen, Thoms Angelini, Roberta Berry, Donna Cox, Bruce Gorrell, Paula Kiffner, George Klippel and Irene Viescas.

The honorable mention lists includes Marianne Battisti, Janet Campbell, Gail Cline, Richard Coleman, Corrine Emerson, Dara Gall, Jon Hair, Joan Hart, Rebec-

Film Trip Entertains

Simpson's paid assembly on Mar. 2 at 10 a.m. took students on a film trip through India. The route followed was along India's Ganges River. Ganges means the holiest of holy.

Mr. Clay Francisco conducted this tour. His films, which were in color, told the story of the sacred cows of India, and showed how great poverty and disease exists along with great wealth.

New Flags Presented

Forty new United States flags were accepted by Simpson during a special ceremony preceding the Mar. 2 assembly. Conducting the ceremonies was Jacob Zeiss, president of the Student Council. Dennis Baker received the flags.

The banners were given as a gift to our school by Mr. John Bell, McVey Post American Legion, Post 16; Mr. Lewis McGregor, Amvets, Robert P. Spreng Post 26; Miss Marie Kalbfleisch, American Legion Auxiliary, McVey Post 16; Mrs. Arthur Baker, Mohican Post 3439 Auxiliary; and Mrs. Martha Estep, Alfred Harrington Post 9943 Auxiliary.

Participating in the program were the Glee Club, Cheryl Williams and James Jewel reciting a dramatic reading and 40 students who carried the flags down the outside aisles.

Seeing that the classrooms needed some new banners, the Student Council wrote letters to these organizations to request the flags.

Contests Spark Simpson Loyalty

Winners of the school spirit and school song contests were announced Feb. 3 by Diane Hannewald, chairman of the School Spirit Committee.

Winners of the essay contest were: Theresa Calabrese, seventh grade; Roswitha Sikorsky, eighth grade and Judy Stahl, ninth grade. Winners of the song contest were Bruce Gorrell, who wrote the words to the school Alma Mater, and Betsy Rodgers, who won with her words to the fight song. Each of the five winners received a \$2.00 prize from the Student Council.

Both contests ran from Jan. 20-30 and were sponsored by the Student Council. Entries for the essay contest were to be titled, "Why I Am Proud to Be a Simpson Student," and were to be written in 100 words or less. Judging was based on development of the subject, originality, accuracy in the use of English and neatness. Judges picked the best essay from each of the three grades.

Words for the school Alma Mater were to be put to the music of *The Marine Hymn*, while the *Notre Dame Victory March* was to be used for the school fight song. The music had been chosen earlier in the year from suggestions submitted by the students. Each of the songs required words for two or three stanzas. Judging for this contest was based on development of the loyalty theme, singability, originality and neatness.

Committee members who joined forces to judge the entries were Mike Smith, Jennifer Wolfe, Roger Pruett, Mary Jane Bare and Becky Hoff. The faculty advisors were Mrs. Margaret Busler, Mr. Dalton Derr, Mrs. Doris Smith and Mrs. Rose Marie Barton.

ALMA MATER

Words by Bruce Gorrell

(Tune: The Marine Hymn)

*John Simpson Junior High School,
Our devotion's great for thee.
As we strive to earn you glory,
We will ever loyal be.
With our sportsmanship, our
fellowship,
We'll try*

*For you, dear Alma Mater,
To raise our standards high.*

*Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater,
Our devotion's great for thee.
Hail to thee, John Simpson High
School,*

*We will ever loyal be.
With our sportsmanship, our
fellowship,
and our scholarship,
We'll fight*

*For you, dear Alma Mater,
We will wave the orange and white.*

PLAY TRYOUTS TO BE STAGED

What a swinging time we'll have on May 13, when the Student Council presents a one act comedy play entitled, "Life Of The Party." The play was written by Donald Payton.

Tryouts will be held the first week in March. The play will consist of twelve characters, six boys and six girls.

Members on the play committee are: chairman Judy Massie, with Dennis Baker, Esther Esterline, and Donald Smallstey.

Council Hums With Activity

The John Simpson Student Council was kept busy for the last two months with numerous projects.

Stoles for the new choir robes arrived on Jan. 31, making a complete outfit for the Glee Club. The music department along with the Student Council helped finance this project. The total cost for the robes and stoles was \$340.

Pupils were chosen to meet new students admitted to Simpson. Their duties are to extend a warm greeting and to show the pupils around the school. The students work during first and second periods.

Articles about our school from the newspapers will fill Simpson's new scrap book. The book was furnished by the Student Council. Larry Pruett is at the head of the committee responsible for the scrap book.

Steer to Success

10 — 9 — 8 — 7 — 6 — 5 — 4 — 3 — 2 — 1. Blast off! A deafening roar shook the earth for a moment as "The Firebird" with three crew members soared higher and higher into outer space.

Suddenly Tom turned to the captain, "She's going off course, sir! We're going to crash!"

"Find Scotty! He must help us!"

They spotted him bending over the controls, feverishly making calculations to save the ship. Suddenly he moaned, "Oh, if I had only studied back at John Simpson Junior High School. WHAT is 7 x 9?"

Scotty had always been a loafer, wasting his time in school talking or reading comic books. "Why should I do homework?" he commented. "I'm not planning to fly to the moon."

Will you ever find yourself in Scotty's predicament? . . . or will you know that $7 \times 9 = 59$?? (or whatever it is!)

Carol Smucker

Beatles -- A Lung Exercise?

People scream and shout, drums and guitars ring out with loud sounds and four 17th century Englishmen start to sing. What do they sing? Fans say music. But others? Many people criticize these four young men who call themselves "The Beatles." But how many of these people who criticize could go out and make \$17,000,000 in a little less than two years? It is true that Elvis Presley, one of America's gold record successes, has had many a million seller record. But the Beatles? Over two and one half million copies were sold just for their first American hit. Since then they have had seven straight hits.

Our country's youth has gone wild over this group. Policemen have been knocked over and people have been stepped on. This is called "Beatlemania." But is this right?

Every teenager expects his parents to understand that he likes this type of singing and not to criticize it. But don't they really have a right to? After all, they like some singers too, but do they go out and scream and yell?

The "Beatles" have gone back to England now, but only in body. Their records, Beatle Books, and spirit will remain until the next time that they can come to America. We, the teenagers of this country, will always welcome back those four great guys with "Pudin Basin" haircuts—Paul, George, John and Ringo, the "Beatles." But next time let's try to do it in a more orderly fashion.

Back Your Team

Suppose you were going to attend an out of town basketball game. When you walk into the gym you are met with cheers of encouragement for the home team. As you look at the scoreboard you see that the visiting team is in the lead, yet the home crowds continue to cheer. What would you think of their school spirit?

What do you want others to think of Simpson's School spirit? Would you like them to think that our school is full of enthusiastic students whether winning or losing?

If so, you are the only one who can do something about it! Are you among Simpson's "cheering crowd?"

Judy Stahl

The Gettyspore Address

Ed. note: As a dedication to Miss Mary Glessner's scientifically probing mind, Jim Adams and Charlotte Bottomley joined forces and produced the following "Moldy Address."

Four spore and seven yeats ago, our forebakers brought forth on this bread a new mold consisting of penicillium and aspergillus and dedicated to the future Mycologists.

Now we are engaged in a great

scientific find, testing whether that mold or any mold so conceived and so dedicated can long survive. We are now met on a great piece of Vienna bread. We have come to dedicate a piece of this bread as a final culture medium for those who here have given their spores so the bread might mold.

It is altogether fitting and proper that they should do this for Miss Glessner.

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Beatlemania Hits America

by Carol Smucker

Beatlemania has been experienced by many teenagers all over the United States. Being the most popular musical group today, The Times thought that you would like to know more about them.

Beatle, George Harrison, celebrated his 21st birthday on Feb. 25. George, along with the other three Beatles, Paul McCartney, John Lennon and Ringo Starr, weren't always together and they weren't always called The Beatles.

George, who plays lead guitar, was born in Liverpool, England. He left school to become an apprentice electrician, but he quit because he "kept blowing up everything."

In 1956 George Harrison met up with Paul McCartney and John Lennon. For a time, the trio wandered around with various groups, grabbing any job available. Then they met Pete Best and his mother. She turned her cellar into a club, the Cavern, and the young men provided the entertainment.

The four singers then called the Moonshiners, soon became quite popular. They got a job with a Larry Parnes pop show. The combo changed their name to the "Silver Beatles." It wasn't long before their discovery by Brian Epstein and their booking at the Indra Club in Hamburg, Germany.

The Beatles' novel hair-do came about strictly by accident. As Georg puts it, "I went to the swimming baths in Hamburg, and by the time my hair dried out, without the benefit of brush and comb, it looked like it is now." George's interests are songwriting, parties, and peace and quiet once in awhile. His father is a bus driver.

John Lennon, leader of the group, was also born in Liverpool on Oct. 9, 1940. He attended Liverpool High School and the Liverpool College of Art. John never knew his father, who left home when John was three. He is the only married man of the group.

Paul McCartney, along with John Lennen, writes all of the songs for the group and has turned over about 100 tunes. Paul comes from Allerton, a suburban area of Liverpool, where his father still works as a cotton salesman. He was born on June 18, 1952. Paul's mother died when he was 14. He was 13 when he met John Lennon who, at that time, was playing with several other musicians. Paul's plans before The Beatles rose to fame included of playing at clubs until he was 25 and then going to John's Art College and "hanging around there for awhile." Paul's interests are songwriting, art and go-karting.

Ringo Starr, the oldest (23), is the newest Beatle. He replaced Pete Best who, according to Epstein, didn't have enough personality and/or hair. Ringo, so-called because of his passion for wearing so many rings, is the son of a house painter. His real name is Richard Starkey. When Ringo goes home he likes to stay indoors and listen to records and answer fan mail. Ringo was born on July 7, 1940.

According to Time Magazine, "What recommends The Beatles more than anything is their bright and highly irreverent attitude toward themselves and their international magnitude. Reporters toss ticking questions at them, but it is generally the replies that explode."

The Beatles aren't worrying about staying popular for a long time. George's attitude is, "If we fizzle out—well, we fizzle out. But it will all have been fun." John's feeling is, "We're not rich yet but I suppose we will be one day if our success holds. At least I hope so because I don't wish to be singing at 80. Who wants a croaking Beatle of 80."

Snow—Too Much For Groundhog

by Sally Terman

"Br-r-r, it's cold in here. Hey, the sun's shining. Maybe I can warm my bones."

The groundhog crawled from his tunnel. A brilliant sun met him. After a few blinks, he regained his sight. He turned around and saw a dark shadow of himself that the sun had cast on a snow drift. "Eeeks," he cried in a dither. "That black blob is enough to scare a ghost!" Then, defiantly, he went on, "Well, I'm not going to be scared out of my skin by a shadow. Just think, I'll be the only groundhog who didn't crawl back into his hole because of a dumb shadow."

So, he stayed out in the open. Many people thought winter was over because the little animal didn't scurry back into his hole. T.V. newsmen told everyone winter was over. Some people even stored their boots.

Meanwhile, the groundhog was living a life of ease. Grateful people gave him food.

But, it couldn't last. One night it turned bitterly cold and it snowed! It snowed so hard that the groundhog couldn't find his home. When the people woke up, they were so angry that they chased the little groundhog out of the city.

At the edge of the city, the groundhog panted, "If you know what's good for you, do what you're supposed to do. Crawl back into your hole and sleep." Then he crawled back into his hole and fell fast asleep.

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BOOKS OPEN DOORS TO ADVENTURE

It is no longer necessary to own a flying carpet to visit the places of interest around the world! In a matter of seconds you can go from the White House to the inside of the Friendship Seven by visiting the school library. Here are some of the books that will take you places:

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The Complete Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe
Many of the exciting works of Edgar Allan Poe have now been combined into one book, which is available at the school library. There are over 1000 pages including:

"The Gold Bug," "Murder in the Rue Morgue," "The Pit and the Pendulum," "The Raven," "The Bells," and 124 additional stories and poems.

RECORDS CRACK SOUR NOTES

Do you listen to popular records or the radio very often? If so, you probably thought at one time of how the words and the title of a song pertained to your life.

Let's eavesdrop on some of our own Simpson students to see what thoughts cross their minds when they hear these song titles.

NAVY BLUE—Brr! There should be a law against going to school on mornings like this!

HERE COMES THE BOY THAT I LOVE—Maybe I can stick him with my books.

MEET ME AT MIDNIGHT, MARY—I've been working on this algebra problem all night.

DAWN—That's when the retiring generation rises and the rising generation retires.

SOMEWHERE—I wonder if they ever found that mouse that got away in 211.

HE SAYS THE SAME THINGS TO ME—If you don't stop talking in class, I will have to take drastic measures against you!

HARLEM SHUFFLE — That's the halls between third and fourth periods.

AS USUAL—I lost my activity card again.

ANYONE WHO HAD A (STOMACH?) — Why didn't you tell us before lunch that we were going to disect crayfish?

QUICKSAND — HELP . . . !

STAY WITH ME—There's Mr. "B" pleading to the band during seventh period.

DON'T BLOW YOUR COOL—Sure you have four fouls but don't take it out on the poor ref.

SHE LOVES YOU—Why did she give me an "F" in English?

Daisies and Dishes

Cooking class is not all cooking and pots and pans. The ninth grade cooking class discovered that it also includes such things as trips to a downtown department store and a visit from a Mansfield florist.

On Feb. 10, Mr. Tuttle from The Tuttle Florist spoke to the ninth grade foods class on how to care for and arrange flowers.

The next day, the girls went to the M. O'Neil Company where Mrs. Bullock, from O'Neil's china department, showed them the different types of dinner and glass ware. Accompanying them was Miss Sylvia Echenrode, the foods teacher.

Grounding, Curfew Prompt Opinions

The majority of Simpson students questioned about parents grounding for bad grades are against it. Other students who were asked if there should be a curfew unanimously agreed that there should be one but disagreed on the time.

Becky Smith, who was for the idea of groundings, answered, "Yes, because if we didn't get grounding, students wouldn't bother to try to get better grades. We need to get good grades to get into college." Terry Lake was for grounding but for a different reason. He said, "Yes, we should be able to hold our grades up and go to the show or to dances and have fun at the same time."

Paulette Perry, Beth Stevens and Judy Caugherty all thought that grounding wouldn't do any good. Diane McCallister was against grounding but for a different reason. She said, "No, because it may be the parents' fault because they might not give their children a proper place to study."

When asked their opinion of a curfew and the ideal curfew, all the students were in favor of it but their opinions and times differed. Sandy Cash and Charlotte Bottomley both thought there should be a curfew because it limits the time a person can be out. Lois Hazlett stated, "You should have a curfew because then your parents would know when to expect you in." Robert Bigelow said, "You know how boys are." The other people stated only a time. They were Brenda Patrick, 10:00 or 10:30, and Pat Simmons 11:00 or 12:00.

DANGERS ENTERTAIN

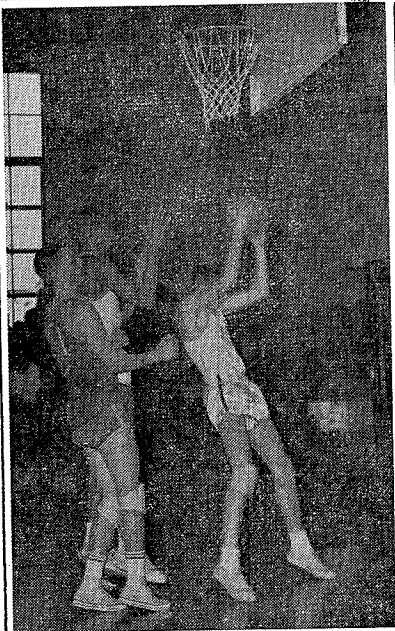
Simpson cheerleaders and the Spanish Flamingo dancers teamed up to give an assembly Jan. 8. This assembly was part of School Spirit Week.

A spirited pep rally opened the paid assembly. Simpson cheerleaders shouted basketball cheers and chants and ended with fight songs. Then student body joined in singing pep songs.

The rally put the group in the mood for the Flamingo dancers who then performed. Their program consisted of singing, dancing and guitar playing.

A lively Spanish family began by dancing gypsy style. The dances were short because in Spain the dancers have to perform all day at a fiesta. So inbetween the dances they stop to get their breath.

Some of the gay Flamingo dances were so complex that only a guitar could keep rhythm with them. Many of the dances tell stories.



Jim Brooks (No. 8) goes high into the air to grab the Appleseed rebound in the Feb. 13 game. Also pictured in the background is Shelton Walker (No. 3).

B-Ball Tells All

by Tom Meehan

How would you like to be a basketball? Just imagine how you would be kicked around! If a basketball could talk, this is probably what it would say.

"I was enjoying a nice long rest before I was so rudely interrupted by basketball season.

In gym class it was murder. I was thrown against the wall. Thud! Some smart guys even tried to shoot me from mid-court. Usually I ended up bouncing off the rafters or smashing against a steel brace. Ooh, that hurt! There was also a boy who didn't know how to dribble. He would slap me against the floor with all his might. But what hurt most was when someone would give me a swift kick. That makes me lopsided.

Basketball practice it wasn't quite so bad. In fact, it even tickled when someone swished me through the net.

Now that basketball season is over I can have a nice long rest until that dreadful time next year."

Shop Talk

Shop students have left the woodshop to go on to other classes for the second semester. But, even though they have left, they didn't leave empty handed. The projects worked on this year have ranged from desks to chessmen. Mr. Lee Prior, shop instructor said, "The students have done a good job so far this year."

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Bulldog Score Board

In their last game of the season, the Simpson Bulldogs ripped into Galion, getting their highest scoring game this year and beating them 57-36. High scorer was Tom Dinger.

In their second encounter with Appleseed, the Bulldogs pulled out a 37-31 victory. This tied Simpson with the Pioneers for the city championship. The team now has a 3-1 record in city competition and an overall record of 9 wins and 4 losses. Tom Dinger spearheaded the Simpson attack with 22 points.

After three straight victories at home, the Bulldogs lost to Ashland 50-42. Simpson was a head by 1 point at the end of the first quarter, but they were outscored in the rest of the game. Tom Dinger canned 22 points for Simpson.

Our Bulldogs crushed Union in their second encounter with this team this season with 51-10. Simpson had an even higher margin at the half with the score 36-3. Dinger and Swarn sparked the Simpson win, Dinger having 21 and Swarn, 11.

Dinger and Swarn again made big in the first Galion game of the year leading Simpson on to a 39-23 victory over them. Tom Dinger counted 20 and Mike Swarn, 13.

Simpson downed Sherman 45-36 for the second time this season. The Bulldogs sported a big lead at the end of the first half and also at the end of the third quarter of play. Mike Swarn had 17 big counters, scoring high for the team.

On Jan. 21 the Bulldogs played a make-up game with the Madison Rams coming up on the negative side of the scoreboard, losing 43-33.

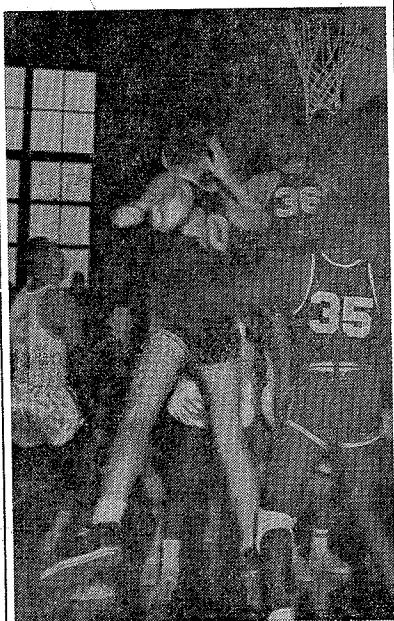
The Bulldogs left Simpson to travel to Ashland on Jan. 20. The team came highly close to edging the Arrows but couldn't get the three critical points needed, losing 41 to 38. Tom Dinger was the high scorer for the trip.

Jan. 16 was the date the Lexington freshmen came to Simpson looking for a win but found none, losing to the Bulldogs by a

score of 53-22. Scoring honors went to Tom Dinger with 24 counters and to Johnny Thomas with 10.

On their floor against the Appleseed Pioneers, Simpson got off to a bad start in the game barely scoring in the first quarter of play. But the Bulldogs looked better at the end of the half leading the Pioneers, 13-12. The Simpson stands rang out with a chorus of "Here Come the Bulldogs" as their team came onto the floor for the last half of play, but Appleseed held Simpson tight on every play keeping them from scoring many more points. The final score was Appleseed 41, Simpson 29.

In their first encounter with Sherman this season, the Bulldogs edged the Wildcats 41 to 34. At the end of the first half Simpson had a nine point lead. Leading Simpson on to victory was Tom Dinger who totalled 20 points.



Shelton Walker (No. 3), Mike Swarn and John Thomas (both inside huddle) fight for the ball during the first Simpson-Appleseed game.

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U.S. PARTICIPATES IN OLYMPIC GAMES

by Jacob Zeiss

The ancient olympic games originated in Greece centuries ago. Now they are held once every four years in both winter and summer.

The recently completed ninth Winter Olympics at Innsbruck, Austria, proved to be the most disappointing games to the United States in the last 20 years.

The American flag was raised only six times, and our national anthem was heard only once when a young barber from Michigan, Terry McDermott, grabbed a gold medal in men's speed skating. This accomplishment was an unexpected upset in the Olympics, as the Russians were the favorites to win.

Another outstanding American athlete, Oregon's Jean Saubert, became a medalist when she won second and third honors in women's skiing events. Two other American skiers, Billy Kidd of Vermont and Jack Heuga of California, surprised the Olympic audience by snatching silver and bronze medals in the men's slalom.

A 14-year-old school boy accounted for the sixth medal. Scott Allen from New Jersey received a bronze medal for third place in men's figure skating.

At the close of the Winter Olympic Games, the United States ranked eighth. The Russians, as in the past three years, literally ran away with the world-wide games by winning 25 medals. The Austrians ran a distant second place and Norway placed third.

Thirty-six nations competed in the ninth Winter Olympics but only 13 of these countries won medals.

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SCHOOL SPIRIT ESSAYS AND SONGS

by Theresa Calabrese,
seventh grade

I'm proud to be a Simpson student because it is a school with hospitality. It is a school with good sportsmanship, teachers and food.

The meals are well-balanced. The teachers are very nice, and our teams play fair games. All my classes are interesting. The activities are very interesting.

The school is always clean and neat with the janitors' help.

Simpson is a swell school and I'm sure the next two years will be as enjoyable as the first.

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by Roswitha Sikorsky,
eight grade

Being a Simpson student is something to be proud of. Simpson has a history of helping the individual solve his problems. Students are privileged to select some subjects to further their interests. The teachers, who pass their education on, are fair and understanding. Programs such as football, track, basketball, choir, band, orchestra and cheerleading have made Simpson an outstanding school.

Other organizations like the Jr. Red Cross and Student Council give the students the opportunity to lead others and express their ideas. Here at Simpson, everyone is equal.

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by Judy Stahl,
ninth grade

As I look back over the past three years, I find I am proud to be a Simpson student for many reasons.

I take pride in Mr. Blauser and our faculty who have earned the respect of the students and have been very efficient teachers.

I am also proud of the organizations which supply the student body with worthwhile activities in which it may participate.

Simpson has always had fine athletic teams, showing not only the ability to win, but good sportsmanship in losing.

Movies Shown

During the weeks of Jan. 13-14, Mr. Al Maccioli showed his health classes movies about "Life Saving," and "Water Safety." The films were donated to the school by the Red Cross.

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FIGHT SONG SIMPSON BULLDOGS IS OUR NAME

Words by Betsy Rodgers

(Tune: Notre Dame Victory March)

*Simpson Bulldogs is our name,
We're the best team all around.
We will fight for our school's fame,
And wear the city's highest crown.
Up the field and down the court,
We will make our presence known.
Simpson High, we're proud to say,
Is where this great team is from.*

*Simpson's strong and fearless
players
Lead us on to victory.
We will sing your praises loudly,
and proclaim our loyalty.
Make that touchdown and basket
count,
We will win this game tonight.
Show them our team's hard to beat,
Bulldogs is our name.*

At least one Simpson student won't forget the events surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy for a long time. Kathy McEvoy has a copy of Senator Mike Mansfield's eulogy to the President and a personal letter from the Senator as her personal remembrance of the event.

After a discussion of the assassination in her history class, the eighth grader was impressed with the eulogy and decided to write for a copy of it. Kathy said it took about three weeks for her letter to be answered. All she expected was a copy of the eulogy or information about where she could get a copy. "I was really surprised when Senator Mansfield sent me a letter," she said.

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before. "Snow is something interesting. We have none. I'm trying to guard myself against the cold because I understand one of the most expensive things to get in the United States is ill," he commented.

TEACHER TURNS BOOK REVIEWER

Students of Mrs. Frances Theaker not only know her as a mathematics teacher, but now as a book reviewer.

Mrs. Theaker's reviews of *Seeing Through Mathematics, Books I and II*, which are published by Scott, Foresman and Company, were printed in the December issue of *The Mathematics Teacher*. This is the official journal of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics which is issued monthly during the school year. It contains a section devoted to reviews of the most recently published books on mathematics.

The books reviewed by Mrs. Theaker, who teaches seventh and eighth grade mathematics, are the continuation of the elementary series, *Seeing Through Arithmetic*. They are intended for grades seven and eight, but may be used at any time when their content fits into the mathematics program of the school.

The form of these books is entirely different from the texts Simpson is currently using. They include a Response Verification Booklet containing answers to the problems. The answers are given

in complete sentences and the booklet may be used for Programmed Learning in which the pupil may teach himself.

For many years, Mrs. Theaker was the State Representative for Ohio's National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and is presently serving on the Nominating Committee for the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics. She is a charter member of the State Council and has held all the offices in the Mansfield Council of Teachers of Mathematics at various times.

BANDS TO EXCHANGE

John Simpson is going to sponsor a band exchange with Crestline. On Feb. 19, Crestline's band presented a paid assembly for Simpson students. On March 19, our own band will go there to present a concert.

The first Simpson band concert was given on Feb. 7. Band members under the direction of Mr. Robert Brashares played a variety of selections. Included were: Seventh grade numbers:

Around Goes the Band Ostling
Heads Up Kinyon
Spiritual Ostling
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