



Dr. Rinehart

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## AN OPEN LETTER

To the Students of John Simpson

More and more students are knocking at the doors of our schools every year. The problem is that our schools are simply too few and too small to take care of all boys and girls. Unless something is done at once, young people will have no place to go after they get to school.

Right now, the Mansfield Public Schools have been forced to adopt many undesirable and substandard procedures just so our students will have a place to learn this year. Some of our elementary children are sitting in temporary wooden houses, some of them are sitting in a space that was once used as a boy's shower room, and some are being hauled across town away from

their home schools.

Junior high students are in fair shape this year, because ninth grade students were moved to the high school. This was necessary because of the huge seventh grade. This year's seventh grade, the largest in the history of Mansfield, is as big as all 7, 8, and 9th grade combined in one junior high school last year. In just two years, though, John Simpson and Johnny Appleseed schools will not be able to hold all 7th and 8th grade students. Classes are getting bigger and bigger every year.

Students at Senior High School in grades 9 through 12 are enduring a double shift situation -- are getting half an education in

terms of a standard school day. The double shift will be extended to junior high schools and elementary schools if buildings are not provided immediately.

Substandard conditions like those mentioned are bad for times like these. The destiny of young people is already being influenced by man-made moons. Nothing short of a first-rate education can help our students with problems they will face tomorrow. There will be no second chances in the future.

We can have the buildings we need in a very short time if the people of Mansfield will merely exchange the proposed bond issue for the building levy which was voted last fall. In fact, we will have the classroom sections ready by September, 1961 if weather, labor and building supply conditions are normal.

The switch from the levy to the bond issue will not cost one additional red cent in taxes in any one year. Like other bond issues, the cost will be spread over 25 years. These buildings will take care of our students now and for several years to come. Should Mansfield grow rapidly, then other schools will need to be built.

We know exactly what our school needs are. We know exactly how many rooms we need in each school. We know that the bond issue will get the schools we need faster than any other method at no additional cost. Is it asking too much for every man and woman in Mansfield to support this urgent cause?

Don't crowd our children out -- they need good schools.

John S. Rinehart  
Superintendent of Schools

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## New Vice-Principal Joins Staff

### SCHOOL BOARD REQUESTS CLASSROOM SPACE

"We can have the schools we need without an increase in taxes!" This phrase has become in recent weeks the bi-word among Mansfield citizens.

That the city is in critical need of additional classroom space is a matter of fact, not question. Enrollments in the past ten years have spiraled. The elementary school population has increased 54.23%, junior high 27.42%, and senior high school 64.89% since 1950. Our schools are too few and small to cope with these figures.

A carefully study of both the immediate and long-range housing needs was made in the latter part of 1958 and early 1959. This study removed hit-and-miss guess work and established a clear picture of the task at hand. In addition to the necessary remodeling of existant buildings, certain minimum additional space needs were determined. The school board's proposal calls for the erection of five new buildings -- a twenty-room elementary school, located on ten or more acres in the north part of the city, to relieve enrollment problems in the Creveling-Empire-Roseland area; a ten-room elementary school, located on ten or more acres in the south part of the city, to relieve enrollment problems in the Prospect-Ranchwood area; if funds are available a junior high school in the south part of the city, located on twenty or more acres, to house 750 pupils in grades seven to nine; a junior high school in the north part of the city, located on twenty or more acres, to house 750 students in grades seven to nine; and a senior high school in the south part of the city, located on thirty or more acres, to house 1,000 students in grades ten to twelve.

In order to erect these buildings, Mansfield citizens are being asked to go to the polls in November to pass a \$6,000,000 Bond Issue. This bond issue would substitute a 2.24 mill tax rate for the 2.25 mill levy passed on in the November, 1958 election, thus making possible a twenty-five year financing program. If this bond is passed a total of \$6,600,000 will be available in January, 1960; this figure includ-

es the \$300,000 balance from the 1954 Bond Issue and the \$300,000 which will be available at that time from the 1958 Building Levy. With these funds work can begin on the construction of the new buildings, and academic wings will be ready for occupancy by September, 1961.

### L. L. Mishey Speaks At Simpson

Featured speaker at the John Simpson Open House on October 15 was Assistant Superintendent L. L. Mishey. The topic of his address to the parents, teachers and friends of the school was the forthcoming Bond Issue.

The Thursday night meeting was held in conjunction with the first meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association. During the week before, a contest won by room 213 was held to give parents an early opportunity to join the PTA.

The evening was divided into two sessions, the first one held in the auditorium and featuring Assistant Superintendent Mishey, and the second providing an opportunity for the parents to visit their children's teachers in the various classrooms.

Following the second session refreshments were served in the cafeteria by a committee of parents.

Co-chairman of the events were  
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### Book Store Hours Reduced

With the decrease in the number of hours the John Simpson Book Store is open for business, only two student workers in addition to Advisor Mrs. Mary Carothers make up the staff.

John Gifford from home room 114 and Carl Dinger who hails from 213 come to school at 7:45 each morning to open the store and work with Mrs. Carothers until the start of the first period.

Students may purchase school supplies during home room period only as the store is closed the rest of the day.



### Counselor, 9 Teachers Complete Staff

Serving as counselor at John Simpson after previous years in other buildings in the Mansfield system is Mr. Robert Jackson. His job here involves the operation of the testing program and talking to students about their problems and giving them advice.

Mr. Jackson holds both the Bachelor of Science in Education and Master of Education degrees. His training was taken at Ohio State University, Ohio University and the University of Chicago. He served in the Armed Forces for a period, and has taught mathematics and coached track in East Cleveland.

Married and the father of three children, two of whom are twins attending Johnny Appleseed Jr. High, Mr. Jackson said he and his family like living in Mansfield and have found the people here to be very friendly and nice.

In addition to Jackson nine new teachers have joined the Simpson faculty. Miss Mary Glessner is a Mansfield native who is teaching for the first time after completing her Bachelor of Science in Education degree at Ohio State University in June. She teaches science and

mathematics.

Mrs. Frances Channel is familiar to many of the eighth graders as she has frequently substituted at Simpson before assuming permanent duties teaching English this year. Mrs. Channel has lived in Mansfield since 1937. She attended Western Reserve University and Ohio University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism.

Mrs. Ferne Linne moved to Mansfield a year ago from Lakewood, Ohio. A graduate of Denison University, she holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and has been teaching for seven years. Her subject is mathematics.

Mr. Frank DePolo who serves as business staff advisor for the Times as well as teaching geography, hails from Huntington, West Virginia. He has a Master of Arts degree from Marshall College.

Arriving in Mansfield on September 30, was Mr. Gene Lamb, who has just completed a stint with the United States Army at San Antonio, Texas. A Bachelor of Science in Education degree from Bowling Green University

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### D. Wayne Powell Assumes Duties

On hand to greet students when Simpson opened its doors for the 1959-1960 school year, was the new vice-principal, Mr. D. Wayne Powell, thirty-five year old former curriculum co-ordinator of Morrow County Schools.

Mr. Powell brings with him to Mansfield a great deal of experience in working with faculty groups and individuals on problems of instruction, modernization and curriculum planning. He has held, in addition to the Morrow County position, the assistant principalship and curriculum co-ordinator's post at Lincoln High School in Gahanna, Ohio.

A veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict, Mr. Powell spent a total of eight years in United States Navy and its active reserves. Following graduation from high school in Highland County, he attended Ohio University, at Athens Northwestern University and received both Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts Degrees from Ohio University.

Mr. Powell spends the largest share of his time working with Principal W. W. Blausen on school operation and discipline and in addition is responsible for attendance records.

When asked for his opinion of Simpson, he replied, "I like my job very much. I feel I've been given a great deal of assistance from Mr. Blausen and the teachers." He also stated that he thinks John Simpson is a very clean and nice school and the students helpful and cooperative.

In speaking of the forthcoming bond issue, Mr. Powell asserted that as one who is strongly interested in youth, he feels the 2.24 mill levy must be passed if Mansfield is to provide the kind and type of education the children deserve.

The father of four children, Mr. Powell has been married thirteen years. When his school and home duties leave him some free time he may well be found pursuing his hobby -- the refinishing of antique furniture and small woodwork.

Editorials

To the glory of Youth: Scholarship, Honor, Truth

An Important Issue

Here it is another school year upon us. Many of you have traveled the wide, open spaces this summer, erasing from your minds the thought of returning back to school to overcrowded buildings and classrooms. Now we have before us problems concerning improvements in school facilities. Of course, children cannot put their best efforts forth in overcrowded buildings. Let us all put forth a big push to help solve this problem.

This task is not only the concern of parents, taxpayers and school officials. It is a task that should concern each and every one of us. The majority of you might say, "How does this concern us?" First it concerns us, due to the fact that the type of education we receive today will not only affect our happiness in later life, but it just might affect the security of our nation or the

entire world. Without the proper facilities, it is very difficult for students to receive the best in education, but our education does not depend entirely upon new buildings and modern equipment. It depends too upon the attitude of our student body. If we are fortunate in having the bond issue pass, let us show our appreciation to the many people who are making it possible by using these buildings and furnishings to the greatest advantage.

The conversation is centering around the proposal of the School Bond Issue. The big question is, "Will it or will it not pass?" Time is drawing near. What are you doing to encourage your parents to realize the importance of this issue? In our democratic way of life, we have the privilege of voting for whatever we choose. The importance lies in getting out to vote.

Sharon Schmidt

Things My Parents Told Me

by Ingrid Wilhelm

Lately I have been trying to remember all the good advice I have received from my parents. I have put it in the paper so that others may benefit from it also. I have been told to:

Respect authority within the family and community you live in and accordingly to train yourself to use the appropriate discipline in your thoughts as well as in your actions.

Do not consider yourself as a "big shot" but be eager to learn by the experience of your parents, also by taking advice from other older and reliable people. Be polite toward older people. Do not pass by without noticing them.

Use your time well to increase your knowledge and skill in order to become able and responsible citizens. Stick to a goal, since you'll encounter difficulties in any field. Be persistent in your work in order to gain time for recreation.

Enjoying good music, literature and arts is the best form of recreation. Train your body and your mind with equal effort.

There is no real thing in this life to be done the easy way. Progress means work! My parents always cited D.G. Mitchell, according to him: "Ambition is the spur that makes man struggle with destiny, it is heavens own incentive to make purpose great and achievement greater."

Do not spend money for useless purpose unless you really can afford it.

Have understanding for the problems of others and help them to the best of your abilities. Love all good people: Never say something bad about anyone, even though there should be an ap-

parent reason.

Be conservative in your judgment and do not have prejudices. Don't be conceited since conceit is God's gift to the little man.

Always remember that spiritual and intellectual values are of the utmost importance for you and your country-civilization is one thing, culture another.

Honesty, as well as good morals, is a vital element in our lives.



Dear Uncle Horace,

My problem is that every time my boyfriend sees another girl he just forgets I exist. Should I try to stop him or should I break up with him?

(Disgusted)

Dear Disgusted,

Break up, if he is that kind of boy, I sure wouldn't trust him. Find someone new.

\* \* \* \*

Dear Uncle Horace,

I like a boy but he doesn't even know I exist, how can I get him interested in me? (Love-sick)

Dear Love-sick,

Get to know him and be friends if he still doesn't like you, at least you'll be friends.

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Dear Uncle Horace,

Uncle Horace says:

I'm going steady with a certain boy but my parents are against me going steady with him and want me to break up with him. Should I break up or keep going steady? (Uncertain)

Dear Uncertain,

Your parents know best. You can break-up but that doesn't mean you have to stop liking him.

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Dear Uncle Horace,

The boy I go with always talks about cars. How can I get him to talk about something else besides cars? (Car Sick)

Dear Car Sick,

You start telling him you like cars and I am sure he'll begin to see you have interests not in him but in his cars.

Who's New?

Name—Peggy Keilling

Age — 13½

Favorite color — Blue

Favorite food — Steak

Do you like Simpson? — Yes

What do you think of Simpson?

Best school in the world.

Do you like all of your teachers?

— No!

Name — Dixie Ackerman

Home Room — 216

Age — 12

Favorite color — Blue

Favorite food — Chicken

Do you like Simpson? — Yes

Did you get lost the first day?

— Not the first day, but I did the second day.

What do you think of Simpson?

— It is like heaven!

Do you like all of your teachers?

— No!

Name Margie Krauter

Home room — 112

Age — 12

Favorite color — Blue

Favorite food — Pizza

Do you like Simpson? — Yes

Did you get lost the first day of school? — Yes

What do you think of Simpson?

— O.K. but lunch hours are confusing

Do you like all of your teachers?

— Most of them.

Name Leslie Jamison

Home Room — 105

Age — 12

Favorite color — Green Blue

Favorite food — Shrimp

Do you like Simpson? — Yes

Did you get lost the first day?

— Yes

What do you think of Simpson?

— Pretty crowded, but nice and real cool!

Do you like all of your teachers?

— Yes, they're very helpful!

Name Karen Bishop

Home Room — 112

Age — 12

Favorite color — Red

Favorite food — Pizza & spaghetti

Do you like Simpson? — Yes!

What do you think of Simpson?

— Nice!

Do you like all of your teachers?

— Most of them



Roamin' the Halls with the Bull Dog

Why? - - -

Did Janice P. just happen to fall down the steps? Looking at a certain boy, perhaps?

Is Linda C. preparing for seven years of bad luck? Does a broken mirror have anything to do with it, Linda?

Did Sharon Z. fall on the bleachers in gym?

Did Janice turn such a bright shade in Science class when Mr. Fields was planning her future? Trying to live up to your nick-

name "Red"?

What's this about - - -

Jim B. and Jim B. standing in the corner in the cafeteria?

Becky V. falling when a certain "he" walks by?

Romona B. getting her finger caught in a door-bell?

Diane K's dress getting ripped?

Betty P. wearing gym clothes home from school the other day?

Ellen R. and J. H. and Judy D. doing flips besides in cheerleading..... new boyfriend?

The Phantom of A Quarter of Nine

One night at a quarter of nine Jack and I were walking along past a graveyard, when suddenly a ghostly white figure darted out of nowhere only to disappear.

We ran, our hair sticking out like pins, and our legs going as fast as possible. We quickly jabbered our story to an unbelieving Tom.

The next night at a quarter of nine we all returned. We saw the same thing but a little more stupefied.

We had the police and National Guard out the next night. When it happened again we wanted to leave, but the police said to investigate. They found Bill laughing himself to death and a phosphorescent painted sheet on a wire. Then we knew!

One Proud Moment

by Kerry Dean

During squirrel season, quietness by the hunter is most important. On this particular morning, I had managed to get deep into the woods without making too much noise. A movement in a tree in front of me caught my attention. I held my breath and waited for the squirrel to come into view. As I slowly raised my gun, another squirrel joined the first. As I watched in surprise the third squirrel scampered out the limb to his brothers. I barely felt the kick of my gun as I squeezed the trigger and the three squirrels fell to the ground.

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SEVENTH GRADE RECEIVES LIBRARY INSTRUCTIONS

At the opening of school, September 9th the books in the library were counted. There were 5,143 used books. Mrs. Rausch said that she adds a few new books every few days.

During the first two and one-half weeks of school Mrs. Rausch was giving the 7th graders instructions on how to find the books and how to use the card catalogus.

The library was opened for books to be circulated September 28. There are many new books, here are a few selections:

**My Ohio Home**, by Irene Thomas Keely. The history and geography of the state and many pictures and illustrations of the features of Ohio. There are also stories of the journeys and homes of famous Ohioans including presidents.

**The Secret of Smugglers Cove**, by Margaret Leighton. An adventure book about an eleven year old girl. Crossing the continent

all alone in an airplane would be a pretty exciting experience for any girl, but for Nancy Hill it is only one of many.

**The Dress Doctor** by Edith Head. A very nice book about the autobiography of a very successful dress designer. She is the first ranking woman designer who was trained in Paris.

Encyclopedias are available only to use in the library for reference. **The Encyclopedia American**, **Compston's Encyclopedia**, **The Famous World Book**, and the new 1959 Volume of **Britannica Junior** are there. You may also use many dictionaries and reference books while in the library. The 1955 addition of the **Britannica Junior** is in circulation this year, one copy at a time.

If you are on the honorable mention or the honor roll you will receive an honorable library pass you may use during your study halls.

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is held by Mr. Lamb who teaches Spanish.

Vocal music teacher, Mrs. Harriet Morrow, is listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." The holder of a Bachelor of Science in Education degree from Ashland College, Mrs. Morrow received first place in the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs Contest. She has taught for fourteen years and has three children of her own.

Another Mansfield native is Mrs. Jean Porch who is teaching physical education. Mrs. Porch has attended Battle Creek (Michigan) College and Ashland College and holds a Bachelor of Science in Education degree.

Mr. William Fields was involved in the cadet principal program in Mansfield before coming to Simpson this fall as a teacher of science and mathematics. His home town is Ironton, Ohio.

Mrs. Bernice Thoms teaches seventh and eighth grade English. She attended Miami University and Ashland College and holds a Bachelor of Science in Education degree.

Large Number Contest Held

Each year the Math classes in Home Room 105 conduct a LARGE NUMBER CONTEST. Prizes are awarded to the pupil presenting the largest number in each class. This year the prizes consisted of a Math kit in which were a compass, protractor, straight edge graduated in 64th, right angle and square.

The number must be written and read correctly; the source given and the context in which it was used.

Winner in Section 7-2 was Glen Ungerer. His number was the probable Hemoglobin count in humans and was written with

Cafeteria Under New Program

The school cafeteria is being operated differently this year than it has been in the past. A long fourth period is divided into three thirty-two minute shifts supervised by teachers Mrs. Porch, Mr. Romano, Mr. Lymper, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Blancett, and Mr. Maccioli.

Principal Blauser indicated his feeling that the cafeteria program is operating very smoothly. A most noticeable factor is that there are not many students on the streets. Students are not permitted outside of the building, and all are expected to be present in the cafeteria just as any other class during the day.

Meal planning is again under the head of Mrs. Frances Hypes. Head cook is Mrs. Ross and her staff consists of Mrs. Wolfe, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Ingram, and Mrs. Adams.

Student cafeteria workers this year are: Mina Botret, Nancy Botref, Roger Brown, Turley Chester, Barbara Creps, Ken Deere, Bobby Erwin, Lacy Johns, Carl Johnson, Peggy Kuelling, Betty Morrow, Frank Oswalt, Mike Scheff, Gary Shepard, Edward Smith, Arthur Swanigan, and Linda Turner.

Glee Clubs to Present Three Programs

A variety of activities will be offered to the 128 students in the two glee clubs, Mr. Brashares announced recently.

The boys and girls will be combined in such activities as singing, research in music fundamentals, listening, and will learn to play and improve on the basic percussion instruments. The groups will also be learning to appreciate good music.

As mass activities for the student body the glee clubs will present a Christmas program and Spring assembly, and in the spring will produce and present a stage show.

As a special treat for the members, an opportunity will be given for the singers to attend a concert together.

Darlene Swander had 1 vigin-tillion.

Students in Section 7-3 brought "Round" numbers to class which they had found in newspaper articles. They had quite a variety of news stories using such numbers. These were mounted in red circles to draw attention to the fact that they were "Round" numbers.

Everyone is welcome to come in and inspect these displays.

All members of these two groups should note the fact that the same rehearsal schedule will be maintained and that the meetings are held in the band room.

Music classes are now in full progress with Mrs. Harriett Morrow taking Miss Severson's classes until she is able to return to her duties here at Simpson after her illness.

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Mrs. Mary Carothers and Mrs. Helen Perrill. Mrs. Frances Theaker was in charge of publicity for the occasion; Miss Elsie McFadden made arrangements for guides for the parents, Miss Lois Sands made the directional signs in the halls, and Mr. Dwight Mishey was in charge of teacher identification badges.

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## "Y" Opens Fall Season

Heading the list of activities at the Y.W.C.A. this fall are classes in badminton and baton twirling.

The baton will be taught by Becky Hardon. The badminton classes will have a new badminton teacher this year, but at the moment it has not been decided who it will be. Although these classes are not new; both have been offered in past years, interest promises to be high. In addition swimming classes will be held.

For those who like a touch of ham, there will be dramatic classes. The "YM" has also announced it's fall and winter Schedule for 1959-60. For the seventh and eighth grades the following are available.

**Monday**  
3:30 Minnow Test  
6:30 Father & Son Swim

**Tuesday**  
3:30 & 4:10 Beginners Swim  
7:00 P. M. Hi-Y Meetings

**Wednesday**  
3:30 Fish Tests  
6:30 Family Swim

**Thursday**  
3:30 & 4:10 Beginners Swim

**Friday**  
3:30 Gym Class  
4:50 Swim Class

**Saturday**  
9:30 Gym Class  
10:15 Swimming

If your class is scheduled for 3:30 enough time will be given you to get from school to the "Y".

The Hi-Y meetings are being arranged so they will not conflict with the Scout Meetings. But we need to know when your meetings are held. The boys interested in joining a Hi-Y club may call the YMCA at LA 2-3511 and give them your name.

The Jr. High Canteen will be held on Friday night from 7:30 to 9:30. We urge your parents to pick you up at 9:30 P.M. These canteens WILL NOT be held on nights of Home Football Games.

Rifle instruction is being given each Monday and Wednesday Nights at 7:00 Mr. Clarence "Duke" Hassinger supervises the Rifle Program. Archery classes will be held each Tuesday and Thursday at 4:00 P.M. And Saturday mornings at 11:30 A.M. There may be an Archery League formed if enough interest is shown toward it.

Schedules of all these activities are available at the Youth Department Desk at the YMCA.

## Sports Greats

Jackie Robinson

Jackie Robinson was the first Negro player in modern American organized baseball. He first started his baseball career with the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947. He had a hard time making his way to the majors. White people thought that a Negro shouldn't be allowed on an all white team. But he proved to them that he was good and one of the outstanding players of all time. When he played his first game he was a sensation. From that time on he thrilled the spectators with his hitting and stealing of bases. From then on Negro players were welcomed to play in the majors.

## Gym Dandies

Most likely all Simpson girls have wondered at some time why they are expected to wear a standard uniform for gym. This reporter had asked herself the same question so she decided to ask the gym teachers, Mrs. Porch and Mrs. Berry. First, she was told what the uniform for girls gym was that is a white blouse, navy or black shorts, preferably bermuda length variety. Why? Here's the answer. Lets say you have on red shorts and a blue blouse and your girl friend has on a yellow blouse and brown shorts, someone else has on a pink blouse and grey shorts. Would that look neat? If you said yes I'd say you have poor judgment, if you said no, I would certainly agree. For one thing it wouldn't look neat and the most important thing is it's not in uniform. Would you take a math book to English class, of course not, for the same reason you would not bring red shorts instead of navy blue or black shorts, and a blue blouse instead of a white blouse. The white blouse for gym must be clean every week. You can't wear the same blouse for gym that you wore all day in school. Here again you may ask why?

## Sport Shorts

with Walter & Hank

The Senior High team has gotten off to a bad start this year. They lost their first three games to the opposing teams when they came to Mansfield. The first of the three was Cleveland East. The second and third were Cleveland Benedictine and Cincinnati.

This was the first time in 30 years Cleveland East has beaten us. They only beat us once since they started playing us. Even so, we still have the spirit to go on.

The fans have not lost spirit

One reason for this is that it would most likely be wrinkled and dirty. Tennis shoes may be any color. Every girl must have her name on her clothes, that means shorts, blouse, and shoes. This is in case your clothes should happen to get lost, then you will be able to identify them.

by Linda Cook

either because at all the games the stands were full and I think they will be at other games.

The band hasn't lost their touch and even though the team is in a slump the band is the best. Simpson has many players in the southmore band as well as a lot on the ninth grade football team.

Even though we lost the first few games there are still more games to come. Winning is fun, but it's the sport that counts.

BROWN'S

West Fourth at  
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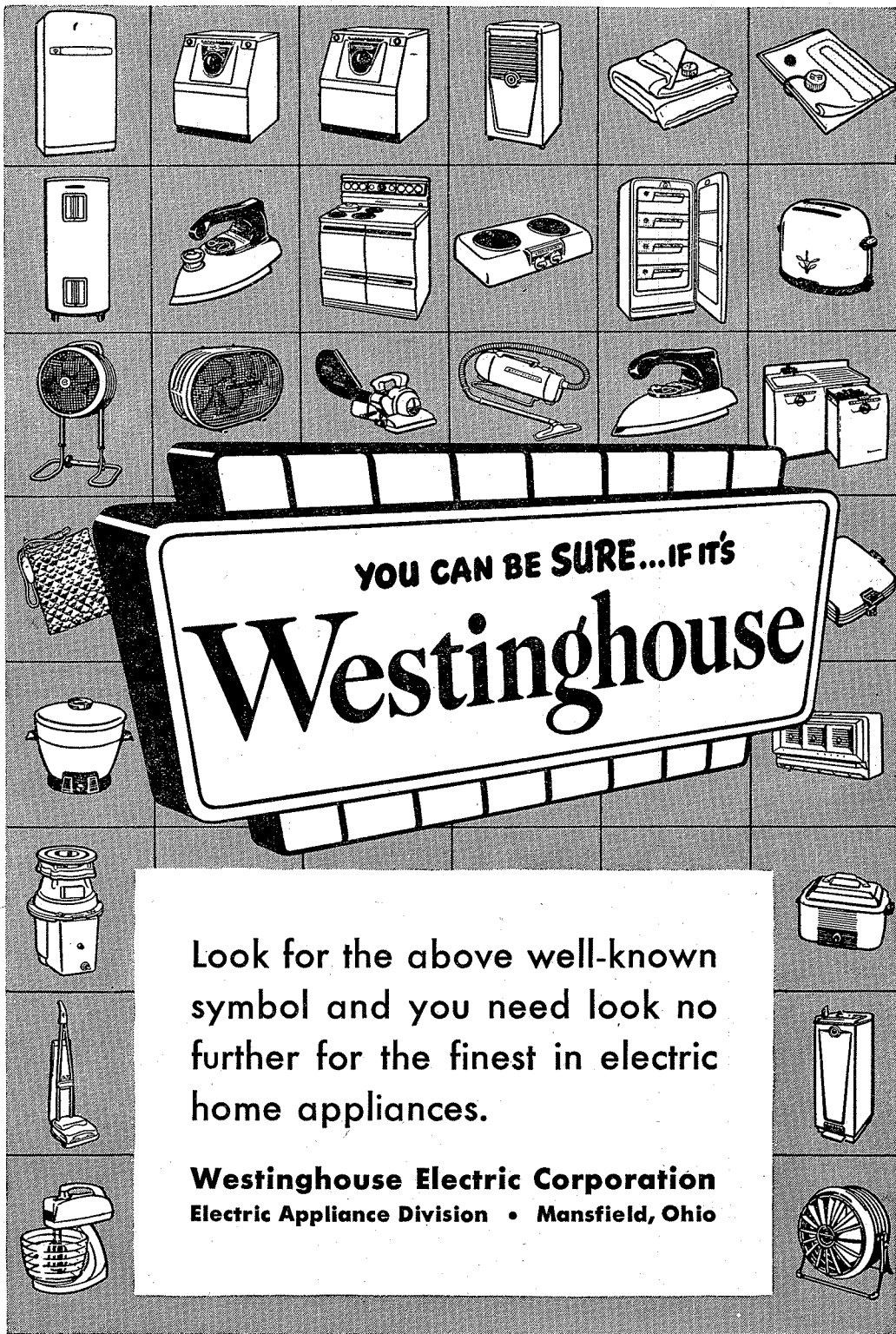
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