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FIRST SUBSCRIPTION TO FORMER LIGHTS EDITOR

A few minutes after four, January 25, Tom Van Dreese, last year's Lincoln Lights editor became the first person to subscribe to the paper for the second half of the school year. Van Dreese, who signed up for a second semester subscription about a week and a half before anyone else, had good reason for doing this. It seems that there is a ruling which gives former editors a free subscription to the paper should they choose to claim it.

Tom, who did a fine job as editor last year, is at present working for the Green Bay and Western Railroad. However, he will have a new employer very shortly. It seems that Uncle Sam has found out Tom's ability, and has decided to use it to the best advantage.

While on the subject of former editors, we did a little checking, and found that some of the other former editors leading interesting lives. Marian Clapp is presently a student at the University of Wisconsin; and Robert "Penguin" Kingdom, who shared editorship with Marion in the B.V.D. (Before Van Dreese) era, is setting a fine scholastic pace at Oberlin, which is about 25 miles from Cleveland.

MUSIC LOVERS MEET

The Jan. 22 meeting of Gamma Sigma was held at Anna Carol Kingdon's home on First Avenue.

There was a variety of entertainment including voice solos, piano solos, and a cello solo. A violin and piano duet were also presented to the music lovers.

After the program, two games taxing the minds of those present were played.

A lunch of delicious gingerbread with fluffy whipped cream was served.

Romance Groups Meet

Thursday, Jan. 31, the French Club entertained the Spanish Club at a dinner in the cafeteria at 5:30.

An old French custom was celebrated, and a French skit, a tragedy in one act, was presented with Phyllis Koss, Frank Thirkill, and Steve Hill as the characters in it. A song "Sur Le Pont d'Avignon" was sung and acted out by six girls.

Susan Reiland played the French song-Claire de Lune by Debussy.

Strains of Spanish records and songs again pervaded the cafeteria after school January 3, to mark the advent of another Spanish Club Meeting. Other features of the program, besides the music, included a talk on Gabriela Mistral, South American winner of the Nobel Prize, by Dorothy Hagen; and a discussion of DeWitt Makenzie articles on Spain by Don Kubisiak and Paul Kelly. Afterwards, of course, refreshments were in order with mate, a South American tea, and cookies being served.

HE'S NEW

Mr. Cobleigh was born and raised in Baraboo, Wis., attended grade school there until he was 13, and then moved to Reedsburg to finish high school.

After graduating he went to LaCrosse State Teachers College where he majored in Social Science. In college Mr. Cobleigh became very active in sports, particularly tennis, in which he won a letter, and basketball. The fact that he belongs to the National Confederation of Officials also shows his interest in sports.

After his course at LaCrosse he taught at Genoa City and Spring Green. In 1942 Miss Cobleigh's brother entered the service and served 3 years and 3 months as a Captain in the Air Corps.

When asked if he was married he replied, "Yes I am. My wife's name is Katie and you spell it K-a-t-i-e." (Sorry girls)

THESPION FORMAL

The lights were dimmed, and geniuses at the art of dancing began to rhythmically move to the superb music of Cliff Hoene of Wausau.

It was the night of February 1 and the date of the Thespian formal. As usual this event had long been anticipated and once again proved to be a great success.

Couples arrived at 9:00 and danced incessantly until 12:00. Punch was served during the course of the dance, and finally the "Fred Astaires and Rita Haywards" departed at midnight, a tired, but happy lot. Next issue will give you an account of who attended.

CLOTHING DRIVE

The students of Lincoln High School were asked to bring a 1 old and discarded clothing to their various homerooms on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 29 and 30.

These clothes will be sent to the war-torn countries in Europe and the Far East to aid the foreign people. The students were also asked to write a letter and put it in among the clothing. The students have cooperated very well, with at least one box of clothing having been collected from every homeroom and two and three from others.

STUDENTS RECEIVE JOURNALISM AWARDS

Two members of the Lincoln Lights staff have received award in the field of journalism.

Dorothy Wilcox, assistant editor, is also editor of the state paper for her church's young peoples group. This year the paper rated third highest in the United States in a grading given annually.

Delores Newman received a \$25 war bond for her essay written for the local war bond contest. Many of you perhaps read it in the Tribune. Another high school student to receive this award was Marjorie Krause.

DEBATE TEAMS CLASH

Marvels at the mastery of debate pitted their ability and brains in whirlwind of pros and cons at Lincoln High School, Saturday, January 19.

Excitement and competition ran high; and what competition it was. Merrill, Tomah, Medford, Antigo, Port Edwards, New London, Waupaca, Portage, and of course our own Lincoln High participated.

The question was "Resolved that every able bodied male citizen be given a full year of military training before reaching the age of 24."

Jack Cole and Steve Hill staunchly defended their aims, winning two while dropping one.

Priscilla Peterson and Carol Kingdon, the second negative team, perhaps from the lack of Phyllis Peterson and Charles experience, dropped all three of their debates.

Phyllis Peterson and Charles Manske, composing the first affirmative team, managed to eke out one win while losing two. The three debaters for our second affirmative, Leroy Abler, Glenna Clark, and Glenn Pascavis won one and lost two.

BARRYMORE'S OF L. H. S.

Silence! The curtain rises, and the annual Thespian Dramatic one act plays begin.

"Everything Reasonable," "Everybody's Doing It," "Life With Willie," "Georgie Porgie," and "Suitable for Charity," the plays that were presented, were received with enthusiastic acclaim by faithful dramatic followers.

"Georgie Porgie", coached by Bob Treutel and Don Love, and "Life With Willie", coached by Pat Padags and Shirley Crotteau, were, however, selected by the judges, Miss Walters and Miss Ritchie, as the best of the five.

"Georgie Porgie", presented a "barrel of chuckles" to the faculty and students in our regular Wednesday assembly.

NEW DISEASE GOING ROUNDS IN L. H. S.

"Fallitis" seems to be a new bug going around school. The teachers seem to be especially susceptible to this new germ.

Miss Zapp, school nurse, fell and broke her ankle. Ditto Miss Daehn, who is out for two weeks as a result. Mr. Karnatz was among the absentees for ten days because of a fall from the bleachers being set up for the Point game. Dottie Wilcox tumbled down the gym stairs and sprained her ankle.

We hope that the victims of this notorious germ will recover soon and that "Fallitis" will be-take itself to other lands.

SPORTS STAFF CHANGES

Starting with next issue there will be several important changes in the sports staff of Lincoln Lights. The present sports editor Steve Hill will shift to feature editor, and the vacated position will be filled by assistant sports editor, Don Soe. Hill however will continue to conduct his column. Soe will be assisted by Don Jacobs and Jim DuPree. This should prove a capable sports staff, as the track season looms only a couple of months off and Soe and DuPree wear four and three stripe letter sweaters, which they won in that sport.

Rapids 39 Wausau 32

Friday, February 8, Lincoln High's Red Raiders beat Wausau's Lumberjacks, to sweep the two game series between the two teams. Siewert and Wenzel stood out for the losers, while Passineau played one of the best games of his career for us. As usual Sticks was the sparkplug of the organization.

The Wausau team was the last formidable object in the path of the Red Raiders before the Point game next Thursday.

Did You Know ?? MANY "WOULD BE" SENIORS IN ARMED FORCES

When you want to find out what is on the school schedule for weeks ahead, just consult the calendar which is on the bulletin board in the library. You can look at the calendar in Lincoln Lights too.

You've all read "Try and Stop Me", in our local paper. The library now has the book "Laughing Stock", which is by the same author.

Elizabeth Cobb has written a fascinating biography of her father, Irving S. Cobb. You'll all want to read "My Wayward Parent".

The newest of Daphne du Maurier's best sellers has also been added to our library. "The King's General" is a novel of three centuries ago, but Miss du Maurier makes the characters human and exciting.

One of the most interesting books that we have acquired lately is "Across the Line" by Terhune. It's almost impossible to describe the book, but it's small and you can read it in one night.

Another book is "A Man From Kansas" — the story of William Allen White.

NAMES CAN BE CONFUSING

How confusing first and last names can be! Just to illustrate, how many of you know which of the following names are correct and which are incorrect: Arnold William, Frank Richard, Kenneth Martin, Fay Esther, Charles Lester, Lilley Vera, Lee Robert, Marjorie Le Von, Henry Frank, Richard Lee, and Arnold Gerald.

If you guessed right, there were four correct and seven incorrect names. The next time you're asked to write your last name first be sure to do it right.

The senior class has lost many fine young men, who have left to join the branches of the armed forces.

The Navy seems to have claimed most of the students with the following: Richard Acott, Vincent Nash, Richard Sachs, Clarence Watson, Robert Keith, Don Vanderhei, Richard Gerzmehle, George Andrin, Arnold Sewell, and Francis Sautner.

Those seniors who chose the army are: Charles Steward and Louis Roach.

NEW AHDAWAGAM TAKES SHAPE

Everything, in connection with the Ahdawagam, is coming along splendidly; the group pictures have been taken, the senior pictures and histories are in and the copy writers are very busy on their write ups.

Mr. Bird takes most of the pictures and has his make up staff making up the Adhawagam.

The group pictures have Miss Moll and Patsy Clark, Barbara Freeman, Joan Nelson and Marcine Rasmussen on this section of the year book.

The senior section, with Miss Ritchie, has Gerald, Quinell working on this part of the Adhawagan.

The typing will be done by the senior typists of Miss Hass's class.

The Faculty section of the Ahdawagam, is under the direction of Miss La Perriere. Helping her are Dorothy Wilcox and Phyllis Koss.

Classified Section

Lost - at the basketball game last night, one 24 volume set of the Encyclopedia Britannica. This set is a valuable keepsake. Kindly return to Laurance Bocaner or room 215.

Above Suspicion . .

We were all sitting tense waiting for the Point tussle to begin. Three girls done up in slac wool shirts, the silliest giggles and the most noticeable wiggles walked in front of us. Don S gave the all too familiar wolf call and said, "Miss Ammunition dump, 1946!"

Also during that same game Point was giving a yell that was hard to understand. Gerhard Knuth stood up and calmly remarked, "Don't mind them. It's Polish anyway!"

Bob Peck could also be heard rendering the "B.O." tune on his tuba.

Keep your shoes polished. If you can't shine at one end, you can at least shine at the other.

A few weeks ago Jim Akey came into the second period history class and asked Mrs. Peterson to sign his absence excuse. "Why, you're not in here this period," was her puzzled statement. He started to say he was, looked around with an even more puzzled grin, turned and left the room. What goes on in boys' minds?

The mystery of my mind: How did the garter get on the floor in Miss Hartung's second period algebra class one day shortly after vacation.

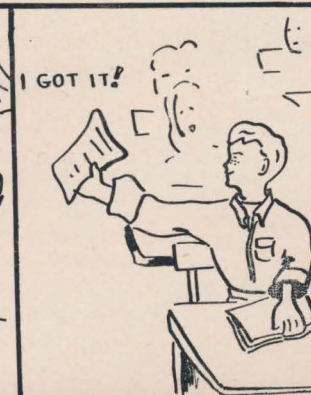
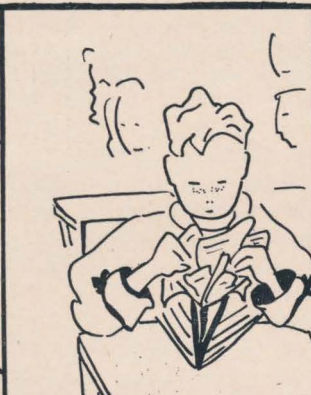
Jim DuPree is constantly coming into English late. On one occasion he chose to serenade us as he crossed to his seat.

Rub-a-dub-dub, three men in a tub----

Gee, unsanitary, wasn't it?

Choose your own words well—you might have to eat them!

OUR DREAM BOY "ELMER"



By ISIE + JOSIE INC.

TWO STEPS IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

There is a false opinion floating around the air that to write a good editorial you have to find something wrong, and then blast away at it. We hope to end that misconception right now by singling out two recent good things that have taken place around the school, and giving credit where it is due.

First, whoever devised the present plan of passing the pep meeting responsibility around to the various home rooms deserves considerable credit. The originator of the plan probably was trying to find an efficient means of presenting pep meetings; At the same time, he was attempting to help the over worked officers of the major clubs around the school, who have had to carry the brunt of the pep meeting task for the past several years. The plan not only solves this problem, but it reaches far deeper than that. It models home rooms into the units that they should be, but up to this time have not been. In this school it has been a place where students go mornings and noons to have the attendance taken. Under the new plan, the people in the several home rooms are now brought closer together because they must work with each other in order to produce successful pep meetings. In working together, the students in the different home rooms become better acquainted with each other than they possibly could otherwise. This is for the ultimate good of the students, because they will make friendships among the people whom they are with every morning and noon - friendships that were hitherto undeveloped.

The second compliment goes to the students of our fair school and those of our rivals, Stevens Point. The order at the game, January 19, was exceptional considering what was at stake. The fact that fighting was conspicuous by its absence shows that both schools can confine their rivalry to ORGANIZED athletics when they want to.

JUNIOR CLASS RINGS ARE NOW ORDERED

Measurements for the junior class rings were taken on January 8 and 9.

Due to the shortage of help, the junior class rings ordered last year came a little late. Although that happened, the prospects for having the rings here by April are very bright and the juniors will have their rings when they are juniors.

JUNIOR HIGH LIGHTS - -

Class Officers Elected

In the Junior High music classes officers were elected. The eighth grade elected Bob Gill secretary and Charles Samuelson and Joyce Kellis as librarians. The seventh grade elected Doug Gill secretary and Jim Gross and Barbara Jacobson as librarians.

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Mr. Ziegler gave a talk on life insurance policies to the eighth grade. He told about some of the different types of insurance sold today, what happened to the money invested, and finally asked for questions from the class.

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The Junior High won its third straight game in league play by swamping West Side Lutheran 40-15. Peter & Paul up to the Junior High a week later 18-15. This gave Lowell undisputed possession of first place.

NOTES ON MUSIC

Election of officers was held in several of the music organizations. The girls' chorus chose: President, Joyce Goodness; Secretary - librarian, Elaine Rickman; Treasurer, Carol Braem. Now heading the Girls Glee Club are: President, Bernadine Speltz; Secretary, Anita Kaufman; Librarians, Pat Breed and Irene Rhein. Leading Boys Glee Club are: President, Tom Koss; Vice-president, Charles Manske; Secretary, Bernard Schmick; Librarian, Laurance Bocaner.

TAKE INVENTORY OF YOURSELF

At least once every year merchants take an inventory of their stock and compare the result with that of the previous year. This gives them a definite check on their merchandise; they find what they have, what they had, and most important, what they need.

In the same way, it is usually a profitable and enlightening process for us to make a personal inventory: to find our strength and our weaknesses, our impervious and our vulnerable spots, our accomplishments and our dreams, our successes and our failures. You'll probably have some useless stock to scrap, and much new to add. Your first term was probably wonderfully worth while, but what a tremendous chance for improvement your next term offers!



"EVERYBODY'S WORKIN' BUT HATTON"

Anyway the work was finally completed. Reading left to right: Don Soe, Dan Teas, Bill Peterson, Steve Hill, Sam Henke, "Augie" Frank, Bill Malcolm, "Red" Rilkhoff, Vernon Verjhijski, Al Rheame, unidentified worker, and School Engineer Len Hatton.

Student Opinions

Dear Mr. Editor:

I feel that the person who wrote the letter for the Student Opinions column of the last Lincoln Lights has been misinformed. He stated that the Pep Club should not rival the Booster Club and vice versa. Evidently this person has never attended the high school games. Perhaps he confused the Booster Club with a group of boys who sat in the balcony at the Rhineland and Nekoosa games. They soon found out that the faculty and the student body did not approve of this type of spirit. The Booster Club and the Pep Club has been working together cheering the team to victory. No one was happier to see a Booster Club started than the Pep Club. The boy's voices are needed and the Boosters provide them.

But may I add that the student body should not leave all the cheering up to these two groups. When all the students and the Pep Club and the Booster Club cheered together as at the Point game, we had results that any school can be proud of. Keep it up and let's hear you at both the pep meetings and the games.

Phyllis Peterson
President of Pep Club

DELTA THETA SIGMA

The annual chicken dinner of Delta Theta Sigma was held February 13, 1946 at the Paper Inn at Port Edwards. forty - six students attended.

At the regular meeting of January 31, 1946, Dan Teas showed colored slides of the west.

SPEECH STUDENTS ENTERTAIN GROUPS

Students of Miss Walter's second period elementary speech class have been in the public appearance lime light lately.

Florence Lobner and Joan Cotterill gave readings for the Emerson School Mother's Club.

The Business and Professional Women's Club was entertained with readings by Mary Ellen La Vigne and Doris Taylor.

Jean Hofschild, Donna Hodge, and Mary Ellen La Vigne recently gave readings for a Methodist Church circle.

The class is working outside of school on a coming talent hour program. Their main feature will be one-act play, In The Suds.

Win A Tournament Ticket

What will be the final score of the Point-Rapids game, February 21, be?

Lincoln Lights will award a ticket for the sectional tournament here at the Rapids to the person who can come closest to the final score. Entries must be in by February 20.

Use this blank, for your entry will not be counted if it is on other paper.

Name _____

Home Room Number _____

Fill out this blank and drop it in the "Student Opinions" box in the library.

Wisconsin Rapids _____

Stevens Point _____

Locker Room Trivia

by STEVE HILL

Now that the fire of the first Point game has died down and the local basketball fans are again looking at the Valley schedule to find what is ahead, they find approaching the Red Raiders not one, but two tilts with the tall boy from Portage County Seat. In order to make the season completely successful both of these games must be won.

The first of these two tussles will be played at the Point February 21. This game must be won if our boys are to stay in contention for the Valley Championship. Point must lose this game and one other, and we can lose no more games if we are to win the championship. Should we beat Point, and should neither team lose to any other opponent, then we will tie them for the championship, which should satisfy the most ardent Rapids rooster.

The third game between the schools will occur sometime around March 2 in the Regional tournament at Point. This game of course will not be played should Nekoosa, Mosinee or some other school beat Point or us before we play one another, but that at present seems unlikely. The winner of the last Point-Rapids tilt will advance to the Sectional Tournament here March 8 and 9 and should either school get through that meet, it will represent this part of the state in the State Tournament. If you don't think this is desirable, just think of all the fun you had at Madison last year. Hubba! Hubba! Hubba!

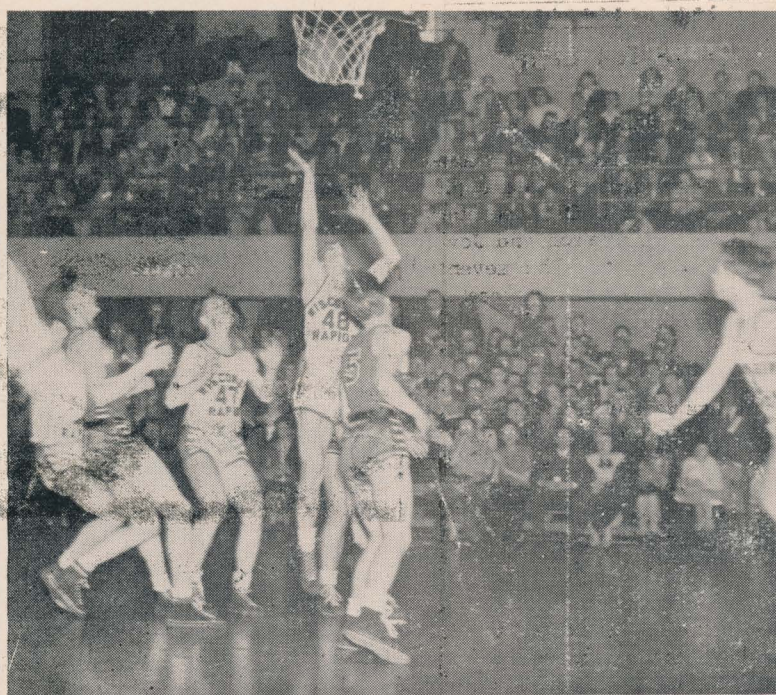
WISCONSIN RAPIDS (44)

Player	FG	FT	PF
Ritchay, f	4	3	2
Knickerbocker, f	1	2	3
Wittrock, c	3	2	3
Gazeley, f	0	0	1
Passineau, c	0	0	1
Marvin, g	1	1	0
Showers, g	0	0	1
Mader, g	7	4	3
Totals	16	12	14

LA CROSSE CENTRAL (46)

Ness, f	6	3	5
Bendel, f	3	0	3
Schmidt, f-g	2	1	3
Townsend, c	7	1	2
Scheel, g	0	0	2
Ott, g	2	1	4
Totals	20	6	19

Officials — Murphy and Bitzer (Marshfield)



"KNICK" MAKES ONE IN THE POINT GAME

Reading left to right: Meshaak, Mader, Knickerbocker, Sparks and Ritchay.

G A A Sports Corner

The girls are now playing the basketball tournament. Most boys think girls' basketball is a funny game, but if they saw some of the girls play, they would see that they were as good as some of the boys on our team. For instance, "Toots" Langlois has been compared with "Sticks" Mader. This is easy to believe after one has seen "Toots" in action.

Girls' basketball is played with 6 players, 3 guards, 1 center, and 2 forwards. The guards are not allowed to make baskets, as they are on the other side of the floor. This is one of the things that the boys do not understand. The reason for this is that the game is too strenuous to have the girls run the full length of the floor. However, girls basketball is no "drop in the bucket." It is a fast-moving game and very interesting to play and watch if you understand the game.

Ping pong seems to be well liked by all the students if one is to judge by the kids trying to get tables to play, both at the noon hour program and after school. There have been only a few matches played off up to this time, the winners being Kay Westphal and Denise Simonis. Joan Klawitter is conducting these games.

ANNUAL TRACK SEASON TO BEGIN IN APRIL

With an eye on the near future, Coach "Tory" has already begun gathering his cindermen for the 46 season. Track has always been a major sport at Lincoln High and it seems that this year will be no exception. An excellent schedule has been organized for the Rapids squad and it will test them against some stiff opposition.

The first action will be in the annual Rapids Invitational Indoor meet to be held on April 5, in our field house.

Other meets are the Madison West Relays on April 20, the big Valley meet on May 10, the sectional meet on May 18 and the State Classic at Madison, May 25.

Several other meets are in the making. A dual meet with LaCrosse has been suggested and our freshmen and sophomores will see action with some 7C schools.

Returning lettermen this year are Jim DuPree in the quarter mile, Mike Kruger in the broad jump and dash, and Don Soe in the half mile.

All distance runners and trackmen who wish to get an early start are to remember Friday, Feb. 15. It is the date on which general track conditioning starts. Freshmen and sophomores are especially welcome to report and Coach Torresani claims that he will have plenty of action for them.

WIN' LOSE' OR DRAW ---

Point 45 Rapids 38

Saturday, January 19, before a capacity crowd in the field house, Stevens Point defeated our Red Raiders to move into undisputed first place in the Wisconsin Valley Basketball race. The victory marked the seventh in a row in league competition for the Pointers, and also marked the first defeat in Valley play suffered by our cagers since Stevens Point turned the trick in the field house around this time last year.

The local boys jumped to an early lead but the height and skill of Jim Moore and "Napoleon" Kluck spelled our team's eventual downfall. During the second quarter the visitors narrowed the wide lead of the Rapids, and in the second half they played the kind of basketball which has won them the championship for two successive years to pull away from the Mandersmen, who were not beaten until the last minute of play. Starring for the Red Raiders was Robert "Sticks" Mader who played a brand of basketball which convinced sports writers that they were more correct than they thought, when they selected him on the all-state team last year.

Score by quarters

Stevens Point 8 18 37 45

Wisconsin Rapids 16 20 33 38

Officials - Morrow and Shipley

Madison

LaCrosse Central 46 Rapids 44

Although leading in the early stages of the game, the Red Raiders faltered as Central started to swish the ball through the nets more frequently. The game was unique in that both teams scored exactly the same number of points in each half, the halftime score being 23-22, LaCrosse leading. As usual the Rapids was led in the scoring column by All-state guard Sticks Mader who played his usual sparkling game, while scoring 17 points.

This contest was prefaced by an unusually exciting preliminary tilt between our Junior Varsity squad and the highly praised Pittsville five led by high scoring Wally Kleifgen. The game was tied at the end of the regulation time, but three baskets in the overtime period brought a 37-31 decision to our boys. The B team was led by Guard David "Obbie" Dolan who scored 16 points.