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Laurels Go To Music Groups

ENTER REEDSBURG MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 3 and 4 the Choir, Girls Glee Club, instrumentalists and soloists went to Reedsburg to participate in the annual Music Festival.

Both the A capella Choir and Girls' Glee Club were rated first. Solo results were: Class A tenor, Robert Peck, Class A; Class A Soprano, Betty Gross, Class A; Class B Alto, Mary Henke, Class A; and Class A Soprano, Bernardine Speltz, Class A. These four students were asked to enter the state contest on May 22.

Other soloists to receive a first were: Madeline Johnson, Alto, Class B and Kathleen Bassuener, Soprano, Class C.

Miscellaneous ensembles entered were: Girls Sextet, Class A, Ann Kingdon, Anita Kaufman, Phyllis Koss, Bernardine Speltz, Mary Henke, and Madeline Johnson. Janet Hagerstrom, Beverly Howard, Gloria Zastava, Elaine Rickman, Dorothy Meyer and Delores Rosenthal complete another sextet. A boy's quartet comprised of Don Love, Robert Peck, Charles Manske, and Lawrence Bocaner also entered.

Band first places in Reedsburg tourney are as follows: Earle Garber, cornet; Naomi Worlund, flute; Kay Bender, sax; and Pat Nobles, twirling. The clarinet quartet composed of Pat Duckart, Lawrence Bocaner, Bill Vreeland and Margaret Thirkill and the flute trio composed of Doris Polansky, Margery Polansky and Naomi Worlund also received firsts. The saxophone quartet that received first, was composed of Kay Bender, Erletta Hein, Bill Herman and Nathan Witt.

First place awards in the string instrument competition at Reedsburg were:

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Class Night Program

On May 28 Lincoln Field House will be the scene of the traditional senior class night exercises. Phyllis Peterson, president of the senior class, will preside.

Those who will take part in the program are: Leroy Abler — class history; Bernardine Speltz, Darlene Langlois and Margaret Thirkill — class will; Denise Simonis and Audrey Chiswell — class prophesy; Charles Manske, Edward Feith and Isabel Wirtz — class mementos.

Music for the program will be furnished by the Girl's Sextette and a cornet trio.

The P. E. O., D. A. R., Rotary, American Legion, Elks, Band and Orchestra Mothers and the Wood County Conservation League will present their awards.

Presentation of the Spade will be made by Senior class president, Phyllis Peterson, and the acceptance will be given by Jack Cole, president of the Junior class.

The program will end with the singing of the Alma Mater.

Graduation Exercises Will Take Place Wednesday

Take Heed Seniors

In a few weeks you seniors will be leaving high school. We are genuinely sorry to see you leave for you have made valuable contributions to Lincoln High School.

I wish for all of you happiness and success in the work you select. Don't be discouraged if success doesn't come all at once. It is a slow process — a step-by-step climb made up of careful planning, hard work, and confidence in yourself. "Men are able because they think they are able." When you are on the job, do a little more than is expected of you; do what has to be done when it ought to be done, whether you like it or not. And don't be afraid to go out of your way to help the other fellow. Consideration of others pays dividends.

Decide what you want for yourself — then work hard to get it.

—Miss Hass

206 SENIORS APPEAR IN THEIR FINAL ROLE

Wednesday, May 29, the day before Decoration Day, 206 seniors of LHS will be decorated in long flowing gowns and mortar boards for the purpose of being graduated from what in their opinion is the best secondary school in Wisconsin. The actual graduation ceremonies, besides climaxing four years of hard work, will constitute the apex of the busiest week in their lives. Starting with Sunday night, the seniors will be "on the go" practically all of the time.

At 8 P. M. Sunday, Madeline Johnson will start playing the prelude to the Senior Vesper Services, which will be conducted by the Reverend Mr. G. P. Ronicke. Following the Invocation by the presiding pastor, the congregation will sing "O God, of All the Maker," after which the school choir will sing Schentky and Haworth's "Send Forth Thy Spirit." Next Rev. Ronicke will read from the scriptures and offer some words of prayer; the choir will respond with Stainer's "Seven Fold Amen."

The Reverend Mr. J. W. Schwager will deliver the principal address of the evening. The closing hymn, "O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand," will be sung by the congregation, and the program will then be concluded with the benediction by Mr. Ronicke.

Tuesday, May 28 the hilarious and festive part of the graduating week will take place in the form of class night.

Wednesday is the day for the biggest event of all, graduation itself. At 8 P. M. the high school orchestra will set the mood with a fitting overture. After this, Mr. Liska will direct his charges with the musical skill in playing Mendelssohn's "War March of the Priests."

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HONOR STUDENTS (left to right): Row 1: Margaret Thirkill, Janice Plenke, Shirley Greutzmacher, Darlene Langlois, Phyllis Peterson, Blanche Busch, Anita Kaufman, Jean Gross. Row 2: Don Petrich, Richard Bain, Donald Loomans, Lyle Jacobson, Henry Smith, Charles Manske, Vernon Alpine.

What's Your W. R. I. Q.

After struggling through last issue's quiz, this one will be relatively easy. Set as your par your score as of last issue. But now, without further adieu, let us dive into the following questions. When you finish, the answers are to be found on page 4.

1. The longest street on the east side of the river in Wisconsin Rapids is:

A.....E. Grand Ave.; B.....First Street; C.....Baker St.; D.....Oak St.

2. The shortest street on the west side of the river in Wisconsin Rapids is:

A.....Pepin St.; B....."D" St.; C.....Hale St.; D.....Clark St.

3. Approximately how long is Grand Avenue within the city limits of Wisconsin Rapids?

A.....1 mi.; B.....1½ mi.; C.....2 mi.; D.....2½ mi.

4. How many stores are there in the Mead-Witter Building?

A.....11; B.....8; C.....14; D.....7.

5. How high is the flagpole in front of Lincoln High School? (approx.)

A.....35 ft.; B.....95 ft.; C.....65 ft.; D.....105 ft.

6. What is the name of the Milwaukee Road passenger train that pulls into Wisconsin Rapids about 6:00 A. M. every morning?

A.....Hiawatha; B.....Tomahawk; C.....Calumet; D.....Hoot-nanny.

7. What is the name of the thoroughfare 1 block north of West Grand Ave. that runs parallel to Grand Ave. for 4 blocks?

A.....Johnson Street; B.....Jackson Street; C.....McKinley Street.

8. Which of the following business establishments are (or is) in the South 100 Block, on the east side of Second Street?

A.....Penney's; B.....Davis'; C.....Reiland's; D.....Wood County Tel. Co.; E.....Daly's Drugs; F.....Diebel's Grocery; G.....Coast to Coast; H.....Bennett's.

9. The population of Wisconsin Rapids according to the 1940 census is (or was):

A.....9,348; B.....11,416; C.....12,875; D.....13,231.

ABOVE SUSPICION . . .

I saw a robin. Spring is here. Felt a sign of summer — have two mosquito bites.

* * *

Joan Staub: Men are all alike. Isabel Wirtz: Yeah. Men are all I like, too.

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Parents entertain vague ideas of their prodigies graduating. I am not so optimistic. Fail to understand why high school studies must know whether to put \$5,000 in U. S. Motor or American Can when the main problem of life seems to be how to stretch a two-dollar-a-week allowance.

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If you want to remember things, tie a string around your finger; if you want to forget same, tie it around your neck.

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If Carol Lathrope starts to say "Hi Ho, Tony" when she is going about the activities of the day, don't be surprised. Carol has had an influence. She doesn't miss a broadcast of Tom Mix.

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Summer he come
He tell not where from
He bring some heat and stuff
And vacation and other fluffy-duff

Oh why is it all was?

* * *

Annuals will be out just before summer vacation chases us out of school. Am frightened that perhaps my picture might have that sort of hair-blowing-in-the-face-eyes closed sort of look.

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Mr. Johnson: What is a hypocrite?

Gene Giese: It's a boy who comes to school with a smiling face.

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Passersby were surprised to see some of Mr. Hornigold's students preparing last resting places for those who failed their final exams. Spring planting is here again!

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The good ye learn at our mother's knee. Badness at other joints.

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Know Your Teachers: The following was overheard in the noon lunch line in Lincoln High School Cafeteria. And it isn't fiction.

Miss Moll: (Seeing no salads on the shelf in the cafeteria): Isn't there any more salad?

Student: (Formerly in one of Miss Moll's classes): No, only for the teachers.

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"What's a literary aspirant?"

"It's a tablet I, the writer, take when I have a headache."

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Happy vacation all! Farewell to the seniors — and to the rest of you — well I'll be seeing you!

Class Writes To Germany

The German I class has been seeking parties in Germany to correspond with. This writing will help them in modern German. At present, interesting material and pictures are being received from an American secretary at Frankfurt.

STAFF LOSES SENIORS

It is with reluctance that we bid farewell to the editor of our Lincoln Lights, Dick Bain. It has been another successful year, and the all-around cooperation given us by our editor and also the untiring effort that he has put forth in the bettering of the paper enabled us to advance another step further towards our goal to produce a fine paper. Along with his other numerous extra-curricular activities, Dick graciously and with earnest fervor accepted this position last year and met, with flying colors, all demands which are required of an editor.

We are also losing many other of our able staff members who are seniors. They are Phyllis Peterson, Pat Newman, Betty LaVigne, Jackie Wilcox, Doris Cutler, Josephine Busch, Lyle Jacobson, Gerald Quinnell, Bernardine Speltz, Denise Simonis, and Isabel Wirtz.

Our Dream Boy "ELmer"



Music Fills The Air At Pop Concert

The annual Pop Concert was held Monday, May 13th in the Field House.

The program opened with the orchestra playing "La Cumparsita." This was followed by "Manhattan Serenade," "Jalousie," "Mozart Fantasia" and "The Lost Chord" which was sung by Mr. Miracle. The orchestra concluded by playing a swing arrangement of the "Song of India."

The Girls Glee Club made their appearance and sang "Where'er You Walk," "Alleluia" with Bernardine Speltz as soloist, "May Day Carol" and finished with "Easter Parade."

The Chorus opened their part of the program with "Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee" and Robert Peck sang the solo in "Open Our Eyes." They sang "All In the April Evening" and "Always" to complete the vocal selections.

The band opened the final portion of the concert with "Old Comrades," which was followed by "Overture Urbana," "Meadowlands" and a cornet solo, "Remembrance of Liberator" by Earle Garber. A cornet quartet then played "Four Horsemen." The band continued with "Overture Crusaders" and "American Legion March." They concluded with the "Star Spangled Banner."

This program was a very delightful one and it was appreciated by a large audience.

MYSTERY SOLVED

There has been a great deal of speculation as to who or what the Live-Wires are. After someone said that it was a newspaper club, we decided to track it down, and here is the answer.

Live-Wires is a club of, at present, ten freshmen and sophomore girls. It is one of the many national Sub-deb club branches. Meetings are held every Thursday, and are presided over by the president, Mary Ellen La Vigne. Barbara Peters is secretary, and Leanne Schuneman is treasurer.

The purpose of the club is mainly social, but plans are in progress to help worthy causes such as the Red Cross. They also have hopes of increasing the membership next fall.

Initiation will be held in the near future although a definite date has not been set. Plans include a hike and picnic; then, the initiation stunts will be held at the home of Sally Teas.

BATTLING THE BREEZE

Hiya all!

Seems like old times — yes, we'll soon be saying that, for school will then be out and then we'll be out (I mean at night)

"Norbie" Kubisiak helps to print the Lincoln Lights. After seeing Norbie's picture in Lincoln Lights, Joan Klawitter remarked, "No wonder our paper never comes out. Look who helps to print it."

Wanted to know! Where did Bob Glebke get the lipstick on his sport coat at Reedsburg?

While down at Reedsburg, we happened to notice Mr. Miracle walking down the street followed by a wolf pack of 45 girls — of course it couldn't have been the girls' glee club.

At the student council dance, Miss Nairn, Mrs. Fisher and "Cobbie" were doing the flying dutchman. A round of applause, please.

"Ontogeny Recapitulates Phylogeny" keeps Roger Crotteau in circles, and Mrs. Kumm very exasperated with him. I guess Roger spends all of his time dreaming.

Remember Melvin Zeman, one of our senior boys this year. He liked getting up at five o'clock A. M. so well that he joined the army and he's landed in Texas. Oh, yes, another senior also decided to leave L.H.S. to do K. P. work with the army in Arkansas. Art Hafermann is the so willing guy.

"Well, I guess so!" is a favorite expression of Doug (or maybe it's Dean) Baltz. Every time he opens his mouth out comes, "Well, I guess so!"

Miss Talbot's second year Latin class was sight seeing in Athens and Delphi by means of pictures. The guard at one of the temples was wearing a skirt (yes, I said a skirt), a short skirt. Completing his costume were long white stockings, white blouse (similar to the cheerleaders' blouses) and a bolero. Boys! A new style has hit the world.

In case you were wondering what held the bus up Friday at Reedsburg, it was Earle Garber and Jim LeRoux. Next time, don't take so long to say good-bye, fellas.

Did you see that odd-shaped object that hung out of the bus coming home? It seems Phyllis Koss had lost her shoe.

We gather the driver on the Stevens Point Teachers College bus wasn't too familiar with the road between here and Reedsburg, for it was when we were nearly to Montello that he discovered we were on the wrong road.

The poor women who served us at the Methodist Church Friday! Serving almost 200 hungry students (and I do mean hungry) is quite a job. We give our thanks to these women.

"Bob Bowles stop that talking. You're worse than any girl I know. You're just an old chatterbox," declared Miss Nairn in fifth hour geometry class.

Mr. Ritchay was asking some sophomores and juniors what the students had learned in General Science a year ago. Bill Pfeiffer answered, "Foods." Mr. Ritchay retorted, "I can see who likes to eat most."

We'll be battin' the breeze with you next year. Have a wonderful vacation.

STUDENTS HONORED

Honor Day, May 23, is one of the biggest events of the high school year. This year we are honoring many students, underclassmen as well as seniors.

At the time of writing this, we were unable to obtain a list of students to be honored. The following fields will award outstanding work: Gamma Sigma, GAA, Lincoln Lights, Science, Art, Dramatic Club, and Track.

ATOMS DYE

Anyone happening by the chemistry lab lately probably was amazed by the various garments on display. Stockings, sweatshirts, scarfs, hankies, blouses and what have you were there in every color from yellow to black including several without names — even one coat which was meant to resemble Jacob's.

However, there was a simple explanation — the girls in chemistry classes were dyeing, and these were the products of their toil.

Physics classes have been studying the atom and atomic bomb. Using articles written lately on the subject, they have gained a more definite knowledge of the subject.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

School is out! Three months to do what you wish; no more books, no more studying. Or is there? I know it's hard to run way downtown to the library, but still, what's nicer than a good book on one of those hot days when you don't feel like moving? Make regular trips to the library, on your way from swimming for instance, and take home two or three books at once.

Remember though — don't read just light novels; browse around in the biography, mystery, poetry, and history sections too. You'll see books that you've heard of and have thought of reading — take them. If you don't like the first book, keep trying.

Why not write out a summary or a few notes that you can use in book reports next year? At any rate, let's all end the summer with at least one book to our credit; especially seniors going on to college should do this.

Here's wishing you a happy vacation, and good reading!

Daughters Entertain

Approximately one hundred fifty mothers, daughters and faculty members were present at the Pep Club Tea in the cafeteria May 8.

The program chairman was Denise Simonis. Phyllis Peterson gave a welcome to the mothers and Mrs. George Wilcox representing the mothers, gave the response. Phyllis Koss entertained with a vocal solo, Anita Kaufman recited a reading, and Mary Henke played a cello solo. The Alma Mater was sung at the end of the program. During the evening the Pep Club girls introduced their mothers by a verse.

The committee chairmen were: Program, Shirley Cotterill, Refreshments, Madeline Bauer; Decorations, Sue Schreiner; Invitations, Emily Westphal. Officers of the club are: President, Phyllis Peterson; Vice President, Jean Christensen; Secretary, Tessie Baer; and Treasurer, Audrey Chiswell.

CONTEST NEWS

The Elks contest, a senior constitutional quiz, by means of which the Elks try to instigate a method to better acquaint our graduates with their government, was again held this year. The following of the contest this year was not as enthusiastic as past years, and only four contestants remained in the final "heat." The contestants were Phyllis Peterson, Leroy Abler, Charles Manske, and Richard Bain. The winners will be announced Class Night.

Locker Room Trivia

With championships won in basketball, track, and baseball, and a good chance for a fourth one in golf, and with the best seasons in years in football and tennis, Rapids fans might well look back upon this year, and say that it will be a long time before another so successful comes along. But, with optimism in general, and a little general knowledge in particular, we will go out on a limb and predict that next year's overall sports record will be as good as this year's.

Although the football team will suffer heavily from the loss of Captain Wittrock, Dave Barrette, Doug Tenpas, Darl Marvin, Mel Zeaman, Bob Mader and Dick Gross, they will have the speediest team in the Valley with dash men Ritchay, Kruger, and Kawalsky, and with Bob Gazeley, Dave Dolan, Bernard Bemke, Herb Kronholm, and maybe Billy Knickerbocker, none of whom are exactly slow. With the Manders system having a year behind it, as it looks now, few, if any, teams in the Valley will be able to take the Red Raiders. If Wausau isn't beaten before Rapids plays them, then we will have a good chance to end their winning streak right then and there.

The basketball picture looks depressing, with the loss of all-state guard Bob Mader, Darl Marvin, and the two Bills, but again speed will be the key note. Ritchay, "Knick," Gazeley, Showers, and "Drizzles" (little Showers) are counted upon to form the nucleus

with much help expected from the two Biron boys, Klappa, and Brewster.

The track team that scored 75 points in the Valley meet recently will have the boys who made 74 of those points returning. Compared to the galaxy of stars (Manske, Stibbe, Murgatroyd (the two Nelsons, Dawe, Rowland, Corey, Tom DuPree, and others) who are not back from last year's championship team, losses will be negligible.

Passineau, Henke, Barrette, and Marvin constitute the biggest losses to the diamond crew, but another fine baseball team is expected for the Lincolnites, who have most of the first team returning.

The golf team seems to have just about the brightest outlook of all, for there is not a senior on the squad. Outstanding players back from this year's team will be Joe Marceau, Everett Henke, Gerald Rued, Art Gazeley, Jim Benson, and Bob Boles. Joe and Everett have brothers in the eighth grade this year who can give everyone out for golf a run for their money, and it is expected that with the help of young Harry Marceau and Dave Henke, the Rapids golf team should triumph in the conference.

If there is anyone in the audience who is so bold as to defy Mr. Thompson and his anti-gambling law, and place a slight wager on any of our teams, we would like to remind you that they are highly recommended, and that we are 100% in back of them, but not to the point of remuneration, should tragedy befall one of them.

Rapids Thinclads Win The 1946 Valley Track Crown

TENNIS TEAMS TRIPPED

Lincoln's tennis team under able direction of Mr. Specht ran up against a "hot" Wausau group Saturday, April 27. Rapids honor was fought for by "Sticks" Mader in the first singles, Mike Johnson in the second singles, and by Paul Kelly and Doug Baltz in doubles.

The doubles team downed their opponents by a score of 8 to 6 and 7 to 1. Sticks and Mike both lost, each by scores of 6-1 and 6-4.

The Red Raiders were edged out by strong teams from Wausau and Merrill, Saturday, May 11.

Both Bob Mader in the singles and Paul Kelly and Doug Baltz in the doubles were defeated only after reaching the finals.

Competing teams were from Wausau, Merrill, Stevens Point, Rhinelander and the Rapids.

Because tennis is the infant of Valley sports, it is rather hard to tell the fate of next year's team, but they should do well. The only loss suffered here is Bob Mader, who will be missed by just about everyone.

Graduation Exercises

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To this number, the graduating class will march into the field house. The Reverend Mr. George C. Westphal will deliver the Invocation, which will be followed by the Class Welcome given by Lyle Jacobson. Bernardine Speltz will sing a solo of Mana and Zucca's "I Love Life."

Robert L. Reynolds, Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin, will follow these preliminary events with the feature address of the program. Following Mr. Reynolds' speech will be a musical number, which is as yet not selected. Anita Kaufman will bid farewell for the class.

Superintendent of Schools Floyd Smith will then end four years of toil, work, fun, and a good deal of suspense by presenting diplomas to the 206 seniors who have earned them.

The ceremonies will be concluded by the singing of the Alma Mater, after which the Reverend Mr. Westphal will pronounce the benediction.

The Red Raider tracksters successfully defended their Valley championship on the home grounds Saturday, May 10 by scoring 75 points while the nearest opponent, Wausau garnered 51. Among the also-rans were Stevens Point with 37½, Rhinelander with 26½, and Nekoosa with a single tally. The local boys proved that they could be out all night and half the next morning promenading, and still get up and have enough vim left to run away with the championship. The four leading scorers for the Rapids were the very consistent quartet of juniors, Myron Kruger (11½), John Ritchay (10½), Chet Berrend (8), and Jim DuPree (6½). Three others, Soe, Sandman, and Reimer came away with five point firsts, and Gilmaster, Keip, Reinicke, Kowalsky, Daly, Shedler, Kelly, Mask, and DeWitt also contributed to the total.

Three records were broken in the meet. Our own Chet Berrend set a record of 25 seconds in the 200-yard low hurdles, Jim Neale of Point bested the previous discus mark, and Kurt Krahn of Wausau broke his own record in the 200-yard dash. Several other performers might have eclipsed the former marks had not there been a terrific retaining wind in the backstretch.

Laurels To Music Groups

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Class C, Violin, Irene Thirkill; Class A, Violin, Charles Manske; Class C, Cello, Wallace Plzak; Class C, Cello, Teckla Jacobsen; Class B, Cello, Mary Lou Kolstra; Class C, Bass, Alice Schmick; Class A String Quartet, Charles Manske, Irene Thirkill, Madeline Johnson, and Mary Henke; Class C, Violin Cello Duet, Wayne and Wallace Plzak; Class C, Violin Cello Duet, Betty Liska and Jeanine Denniston.

ANSWERS TO W.R. I.Q.

1.—B.; 2.—D.; 3.—D.; 4.—A; 5.—C; 6.—B; 7.—A; 8.—C. & G; 9.—B.

Give yourself ten points for each correct answer, then place yourself, using the table below. (in the case of Question 8 give yourself ten for each answer; that is if you got both answers give yourself twenty, if you got but one answer give yourself ten).

80 or more	Wow!
60 - 70	Pretty Good
40 - 50	Average
30 or less	Ugh!



TRACK STARS — These three Rapids thinclads, Mike Kruger, Don Soe, and Jim DuPree, and John Ritchay, spearheaded the local track team.