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DEBATERS RANK 5TH IN STATE

Having won the district and sectional tournaments, our debate squad was eligible to compete in the state tournament at Madison last Saturday, February 26. Of the 18 teams that attended the debate contest sponsored by the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association, Wisconsin Rapids placed fifth, winning one out of six debates. The following teams tied for first place: St. Pat's of Eau Claire, Sheboygen Central, and Concordia of Milwaukee.

Jim Randlett, Lawrence Bocaner, "Butch" Lester and Pete Bunde, under the direction of Mr. Miller are to be complimented for the fine showing they made this season.

ST. PATRICK'S ASSEMBLY MATERIALIZING

March 17, St. Patrick's Day, we will have a program in which only Irishmen are taking part. Irish songs and dances will be featured. All Irish are asked to wear green that day.

Donna Hodge will act as chairman. Margie Link and Phyllis Schlotfeldt have charge of the decorations.

Several Irish have signed up to take part in this program and you will see many of them appear on stage March 17. However, if you have Irish blood in those veins and haven't left your name with Miss Pederson as yet, do so at once.

RED RAIDERS BATTLE HODAGS TONIGHT Friday Night

7:30 Shawano vs. Pt. Edwards
8:45 Rhinelander vs. Rapids

Saturday Night

7:30 Consolation (losers of games 1 and 2)
8:45 Championship (winners of games 1 and 2)

The Wisconsin Rapids Red Raiders are laying their 22 game winning streak on the line when they battle the Rhinelander Hodags in the Sectional tournament at Stevens Point, tonight.

The Raiders, unbeaten this season, must win if they wish to remain in the running for the state tournament. Previously, this season, the Rapids defeated Rhinelander 42-37 on the Hodag court and the Hodags will be out for revenge as well as having a strong desire to go to Madison the following week.

Rhinelanders is paced by Arnie Lytle, one of three six foot-three inch starters, who was the third high scorer of the conference this season. Verage, Rasmussen, Seidel, and La Crosse fill out the remainder of the Rhinelander line up.

Daly, Mader, Showers, Torrioni, and Simonis will be carrying Red Raider hopes into the sectional tournament. Kuehl and Ellis will probably see a lot of action, also.

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Wisconsin.

We judge ourselves by what we
feel capable of doing while others
judge us by what we have already
done.
—Longfellow

THE COMMENDABLE PHASE
OF THE PICTURE

As I sit here, wondering about
what I should write as an edi-
torial, my mind seems void of a
mere suggestion. I think of the
many things which I could criti-
cize if I attended another school
where they really have problems,
but seeing as I am writing about
our own high school, I can't use
these examples. There just isn't
anything to squawk about. We're
very appreciative of our fine
school and at times show our
appreciation.

For instance, look how reason-
ably well we act in the corri-
dors. We don't have the trouble
most schools have. Nor are we
bothered by students acting like
wild cats at basketball games or
during assemblies. Maybe we have
a few but, usually, these are
aware of their stupidity and calm
down after a fashion. In most
study halls, the students behave
as they should and everything
goes smoothly. In regard to snow
balling and reckless driving, it
is but the few who do this and
these few are greatly outnumbered
in a democracy like ours.

After deliberating on this
subject a while I began thinking
what a fine democratic school we
have. No one becomes somebody
without working for it, nor does
he get in the front of the lunch
line just because he is president
of the senior class or because
his father happens to own many
houses in town. Equal opportuni-
ties are offered to all in the
line of extra curricular activi-
ties as ability and talent put
you at the top of the list, not
your social rating.

WHAT IS SCHOOL TO YOU?

What is school to you?
The smell of books and chalk,
Or is it the path to your future
On which only you can walk?
Is it a symbol of hope, or
A place where ambitions were born?
Or is it a place you hate to go
So early in the morn?

Is it a place to go
Until you are old enough to quit?
Or frankly do you go there
To make use of your writ?
Do you really strive and work
To see how much you know?
Or are you only a clock watcher
Always ready to go?

Well, now that I have asked you
And asked myself, too,
Stop and think for a moment,
What is school to you??????
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The time to make friends is before
you need them. —Ideals

FROM THE EDITOR'S INKWELL

Congratulations students for
the splendid conduct during the
regional tournament. Although some
still persisted in booing they
were held in disfavor by a vast
majority of the crowd.

The ushers and faculty members
also deserve credit for the mag-
nificent way they handled the
capacity crowds.

Many students were wondering
why the students, who are the
loyal fans all year, are always
given second rate seats when all
the important games are played.
It seems that the game is be-
coming pretty highly commercial-
ized when this system is
practices. After all wasn't high
school basketball meant for
the students in the first place?
Let us hope for a turn to the
better in future games.

That's all for now, but by the
way, don't forget the third nine
weeks of school is two-thirds
over already. The time really
flies doesn't it?

MISS ADVENTURESS RETURNS

by Arlymae Gerzmehle

The feature editor seemed to think that you all might be interested in the little jaunt I all took during the past three months. (No, I didn't pick up a southern accent). So here goes-

You probably know that mom, dad, Jerry (my dear little brother) and I left the Rapids on October 13, 1948, heading south through Illinois and spending our first night in Springfield where President Truman happened to be making one of his campaign speeches. But because dad was too tired from driving all day to drive us to this affair, we didn't see the President. I might also mention the fact that we had our own trailer house which saved us many expenses and were always lucky enough to find room in a trailer camp every time we made an overnight stop.

From the cornfields of Illinois we went through good old "St. Louie" and on through the Ozark Hills of Missouri. Then following that famous Highway 66 (remember the song?) we rolled through Oklahoma, spending a night in the monstrous city of Oklahoma City. It was so big we nearly were lost! In fact we were lost for 2 hours when we visited the slums and stockyards in a remote part of the city. We also saw many oilwells being drilled which was really an interesting experience.

After traveling through the panhandle of Texas where we saw cattle, cattle, and more cattle, we arrived in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where we had to set our watches back an hour. All through N. M., we saw many Indians sitting, or rather lying, along the roadside. In several places they had stands where they sold jewelry, blankets, and beautiful bed-spreads along with souvenirs of every sort. Their way of life was sad, though; mud-huts with no windows, and dirty...!

Then we hit the desert area which started in western N. M.

and continued through Arizona. The outstanding memory of Arizona is the cactii. They were beautiful, but when we started to pick some, somehow they lost their beauty! In Arizona we turned off 66 long enough to see Boulder Dam, which is impossible to describe because it just took my breath away. After going through the beautiful gambling city of Las Vegas where people were lolling around by their spacious homes and spectacular swimming pools, we headed back to 66 and spent the night in Barstow.

Finally, on October 20 we arrived in San Bernadino, California, where we stayed until November 1st. Upon finding a better position in a town called Hanford, we moved there. Hanford is about the size of our own Wisconsin Rapids, and there I went to school until we decided to leave on January 13, since the climate was too damp and cool to help dad's lungs.

So back we started along the coast of Calif., through San Francisco, L.A., and into Mexico. Before leaving Calif., though, I must tell you that I visited the Sequoia National Park where the giant Redwood Forest is located.

In Mex. we went through a town that I'm sure must be the site of the Western movies they make! I never saw such a backward town in my life! Then we went to Yuma, Arizona where we spent the first night without a fire since we left San Bernadino on Nov. 1st. In El Paso we were stranded for a day because of the icy roads. This in Texas! Through Austin, Houston....and into Baton Rouge, the capital of Louisiana. In La. we also saw the wonderful, fascinating city of New Orleans. Here we visited the docks where they were unloading cargo from all over the world. The noted French Corridors were also among the sights we saw in New Orleans.



JUNIORS AND SENIORS HAVE PART TIME JOBS



BOWLING ALLEYS

Cliff Adams	James Hoogesteger
LeRoy Bates	James Joosten
Paul Berger	Bob McGraw
John Casey	Bill Miller
Andy Dachol	Bob Schindler
Donald Dhein	Jim Ward
Bill Hodge	Donald Erickson

CREAMERIES

Fischer's	Glebke's
Bob Mueller	Gerald Raasch
John Schuneman	

DRUG STORES

Anderson's	Bertha Johnson
Ruth Bachtle	Delores Witte
Anita Davis	Darlene Zange
Mary Dolan	Prescription Pharmacy
Doris Regalia	

ELECTRICAL HELPER

Earl Anderson	Jim Schenk
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GARAGE

Robert Johnson	Phil Zeigler
Tom Lutz	

LIBRARY

Beverly Bassler

SERVICE STATION

Bill Barton	Steve Fanning
Jerry Bremmer	

STORES

Bennett's	Marlene Zastava
Brauer's	Don Randall
Collman Radio Repair	Dinon Boyer
Emmon's	Eugene Nelson
Fey Publishing Co.	Russell Lamb

GROCERY STORES

Gladys Arendt	Charles Lester
Joan Bairl	Betty Niklaus
LaVerne Bemke	Ken Peterson
Millie Brown	Tom Schelvan
Bill Diebls	Marilyn Zange

BAKERIES

Irma Knuth	Bonnie Bates
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JOHNSON & HILL'S

Zoeann Atchison	Jerry Knuth
Joan Cotterill	More on p.5

MARCH'S LITTLE LAMBS

Mar. 1	Dick Becker, John Casey, Ronnie Johnson Wm. Hodge, Lois Lee, Caroline Schanes
Mar. 2	Ralph Peterson, Joe Plutowski
Mar. 4	Janet Tracy, Marie Shipinski
Mar. 5	Jerome Berger, Anthony Kiedrowski
Mar. 6	Tom Kingery, Arlene Henke, Nathan Witt
Mar. 7	Bill Johnson, Gerald Hanneman
Mar. 8	Judy Prusynski, Jim Ward
Mar. 9	Gene Wolosek, Carol Akkerman, Robert Konieszki
Mar. 10	Jack Brochek, Vic Romanski
Mar. 11	Wayne Fritz
Mar. 12	Margaret Ladwig, Anne Lord, Mary Lust, Bob Johnson, Fred Paulson, Mary Lou Sell, James Ebsen
Mar. 13	Marylyn Bachtle, Mark Farris, Ardis Rude
Mar. 14	James Moscicki, Delores Jagodzinski

M. Adventures Cont'd

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Then came the end of my motor trip, Florida. There we visited the capital, Tallahassee, and on to Bradenton where my grand parents live. We had arrived there on Sunday; the following Thursday I left for home by train. During my brief stay in Fla. I went swimming in the Gulf of Mexico at Lido Beach, Sarasota, Fla. When I think of it now I don't know why I ever left those beautiful white sands under that wonderful Fla. sun for this cold weather! But the truth is, I'm glad to be able to graduate with all the guys and gals in good old Lincoln High.

So after a 48 hour train trip through Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, I finally arrived back in DEAR old Wisconsin Rapids!

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KWALITY CLEANERS

Romeo Villeneuve

PENNY'S

Kathryn Henke Beverly Radloff

Mary LaVigne Leanne Schunemann

PERRY'S SPORT SHOP

Merlin Abler

WOOLWORTH'S

Marion Bathke Nita Sandrin

Carol Bymers Carol Smith

TELEPHONE CO.

Tom Chrystal

THEATERS

Earl Anderson Robert Manz

Donald Arendt Bill Mertens

Mary E. Ashbeck Susan Perling

Barbara Bannes Wayne Plzak

Russell Kaudy David Rodeghier

WISCONSIN RAPIDS TRIBUNE

Zenas Bicket Russ Stensburg

Roger Fisher Jim Wenzlaff

Francis Keller

TRUCK DRIVING

Ervin Schroeder Jere Westfall

PAPER ROUTE

Ed Jacobsen Tom Teske

Marvin Reinert

HOSPITAL

Betty Arnett Ruth Heiser

Mildred Kaja Marilyn Henke

Delores Kiesling Peggy Nehls

Teckla Jacobsen Dorothy Matthews

WAITRESS

Helen Grosbier

MODELING SHOULDER PADS!

Dean Showers

U.W. ORCHESTRA ADDS VARIETY

TO SOCIAL CALENDAR

Last night, March 3, the University of Wisconsin symphony orchestra, composed of 75 musicians presented a pop concert in our Lincoln Fieldhouse. The orchestra's director is Prof. Richard C. Church. The program was sponsored by the local Drum and Bugle corps.

Local interest was added to the production because Charles Manske, as 1948 graduate of Lincoln High School, played in the first violin section of the orchestra.

SNITCHES FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL

Now that the pep meeting preceding the Point game is over the Student Council has settled down to its usual occupation of solving student problems and making our school a better place for all of us.

The noon-day program which is directed by the Council will continue until the track season begins. This gives the students about a month to enjoy the basketball games, pingpong matches and dancing in session at noon. The serial, "Scarlet Horsemen," shown every Wednesday noon will continue until the climax.

Sometime this spring there is to be a Student Council District Convention at La Crosse which delegates from our school will attend.

This organization also plans to send the Seniors into the world in fine style by sponsoring the Senior Farewell Dance May 20.

DRAMATIC TID - BITS

On March 13, the following Dramatic Club members will do make-up for the Girl Scouts! Nancy Baker, Marilyn Bachtel, Ethel Ferris, Nancy Oakes, Phyllis Karnatz, Betty Crook, and Mary Ellen Ashbeck.

The play, "If Men Played Cards as Women Do" will be presented on March 6, at the Methodist Sunday Night Supper Club. The boys in the cast are Jim Randlett, Peter Bunde, Paul Bossert and Bill Strickland with directors John Schunemann and Jerry Knuth.

The freshman one-act play to be presented March 2, was postponed until a later date. The directors of "Love Hits Wilbur" are Phyllis Karnatz and Judy Nason.

The cast is as follows: Janet Van Ornum, Jack Crook, Donajean Proctor, Barbara Randall, Joan Duggan, and Bill Johnson.

CRAZY CORNER BY CRAZE

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JUST "ANNO"

She took my hand with loving care,
She took my costly flowers so rare,
She took my candy and my books!
She took my eye with meaning looks.
She took all that I could buy--
And then she took the other guy.

Broadminded: The ability to smile when you suddenly discover that your best pal and your girl are both missing from the dance floor.

He just got back from Hollywood. He was in the movies. Remember the picture "The Rain Came?" He was in it--one of the drips.

Voice on Phone: John Smith is sick and can't come to class today. He requested me to notify you.

Professor: All right. Who is this speaking?

Voice: This is my roommate.

Joe and Willie were partners in the fur business and agreed that whichever one died first, the other would place one thousand dollars in the coffin of the deceased to cover whatever expense came up in the next world. Not long after the agreement was made, Willie passed away. When Joe returned from the funeral, his wife said, "I bet you didn't put one thousand dollars in the coffin like you promise." Joe swore that he did, but his wife looked doubtful. "I tell you," he continued, "I did put one thousand dollars in the coffin--here, look at the checkbook.

A fool and his money are soon parted, but how did they get together in the first place?..... There's more to talk about at a party after a few couples leave. Bank books aren't so much fun to look at now--they lack interest..... Young people today are alike in many disrespects; A man knows his age; a woman computes hers.

The student of the week this week is Ann Ziegler. "Anno", as she is sometimes called, is Vice President of G. A. A. and Treasurer of Pep Club. She can also be seen and heard playing saxophone in the Swing Shifters, Band and Orchestra.

An honor student at L. H. S. Ann will graduate from the English course. Biology rates tops with her. Incidentally, her pet peeve is studying for one of Duke's test that fails to materialize.

In her "swoonie" moments, Ann enjoys listening to Tex Beneke's dance band especially when they play "Blue Shadows On the Trail".

Liesure time is spent on her hobby which is sewing and playing cards. Other favorites are: Ford, the car, and the actor, Glen; graham cracker cream pie; basketball; blue; and Horace Heidt's radio show.

Something she is still trying to forget is the time she had her tonsils out. Seems she was pretty sick.

Speaking of graduation this year Ann stated that while she has had a lot of good times and made many friends at L. H. S. she is not too sorry to leave because the next step is college.

Miss Ziegler plans to become a Phy. Ed. teacher and will study one year at Stevens Point State Teachers College before transferring to the state teachers college at La Croose.

The Best of luck to you, Ann!

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday, Saturday, March 4, 5
Sectional Tournament at Point
Wednesday, March 9
Student Talent Assembly
Thrusday-Saturday
March 10, 11, 12, State Basketball Tournament at Madison
Thursday, March 17
St. Patrick's Day Program

WHAT'S YOUR PET PEEVE??

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FROM LINCOLN LIGHTS FILES
14 YEARS AGO

Our roving reporter came up with some interesting and some strange answers to the above question such as:
"Porky" Sering-----"Women!" unquote.

Caroline Schanes-----"Having kids come up and choke you." (We're sure they don't mean to!)

Beverly Kowalske-----"Certain Boys" Hmmm!

Clara Pasciak-----"Getting up early!"

Ken Peterson-----"English"

Betty Arnett-----"School has too much sports!"

Gerald Clinton-----"I think a peeve is too vicious an animal to have for a pet?!"

Pat Oligney-----"Geography."

Bill Johnson-----"Cats!"

If you don't know what a peeve is, ask Webster.



We've all backed the Raiders in game after game,

As they chalked up victories to add to their fame.

These boys we congratulate, for a job well done,

The members on string number one. There's Dean Showers, who's 6 foot 3,

He's our sharp shooting center with ability.

At the guards, Tory and Snoz make a good pair,

Besides being good dribblers they play on the square.

Mader and Daly hold the two forward spots,

From these quick lads come many fine shots!

To the substitutes, also, credit is due,

In many a pinch have they come through.

So, for a season that really gleams,

We pay tribute to the Raiders, the best of all teams!

Sally Witte

From "School News" March, 1935

In one of the roughest games played this year, the Rapids failed to overcome Point for the Valley championship. The Point fought hard and won from our boys 13-7. The battle was marked with tumble and collision, which undermined the strength of both teams, causing a poor brand of ball to be played. The Rapids didn't "click" and the eager boys took advantage of their poor playing.

8 YEARS AGO

From "Lincoln Lights" March 19, 1941

On April 7, Lincoln High will be host to the annual indoor track meet. There will be eight schools that will take part in the meet. They are La Crosse Central, Appleton, Green Bay East, Green Bay West, Madison West, Stevens Point, and Manitowoc. Green Bay was the winning team last year and they defend the championship this year.

8 YEARS AGO

From "Lincoln Lights" March, 1940

The debate team finished the season at a tournament held Feb. 2 at Stevens Point. During the season, the negative team won four and lost two. The affirmative team won two and dropped four.

7 YEARS AGO

From "Lincoln Lights" March 20, 1942.

On February 11, the Band and Orchestra mothers entertained their husbands at a social event at which Superintendent and Mrs. Smith were the special guests. They presented each husband with a corsage and a heart on which his child's name was written.

Many a budding genius becomes a blooming nuisance.

Another roving reporter found or should I say, dug out of her memory box, these sayings. Don't you tire of hearing the same person say the same old thing day after day? I do! Like when: Mr. Miller says "And in conclusion---" or

Marion Bathke-----"Oh man"
Tubbs Wallock-----"Well, I guess" Ed. Note: This is used by more, we know.

Wally Plzak-----"Hang in there"

Carlie Cole-----"Schmoo"
Miss Neale-----"Now, class, you're too smart for that"

Barb Peters-----"I'll do it tomorrow."

Doris Marco-----"More or less"

Wayne Enerson---"Whatdayacallit"

Jerry Ellis-----"Pardon?"

Mrs. Kumm-----"Do you get it?"

and then there's A. Gerzmehle with her "going Hog-wild"; B. Howard with "I don't get that"; and the unknown group who yells "We want Porky" and ---- oh, we could go on and on, and so could you, 'enso?



USE YOUR DICTIONARY

A BRONTOSAURUS'S ESCAPE

A brontosaurus was walking down the spoor one halcyon day. He did not feel legubrious this day. His mien was not menacing and for once, did not feel like excruciating anyone. He was not a truculent brontosaurus although he was cunning and shy and sometimes furtive. He felt like capering and contorting around so he jumped askance with his prehensile legs. He was adroit but felt no malice. As he went through this pantomime, he noticed nothing in distortion as he dexterously ran along the resilient moss of the spoor. He was thinking about an apparition he had seen but was forever on the lookout for a native with an assagai. -- by Shirley Paulsen

The following poem was taken from the magazine written and compiled by the Sophomore boys in Miss Ritchie's English II class. Next issue will see an article from the magazine "published" by the girls. These magazines may be read in Miss Ritchie's room at any time.

MY OLD MODEL T

by Maurice Loomans

Some of you Sophs have a shiny new car.

That's all slicked up without even a mar.

Such cars cost too much money for me.

So I'll run around in my old Model T.

The old Model T is painted bright blue.

It purrs like a kitten, although is not new.

It picks up the gang, who all do love her.

Then we race down the road at 20 miles per.

We have a few worriesto our dismay,

For a patched up tire can easily give way.

If such a thing happens, we jump from our hack

And put on the spare, that hangs at the back.

Some day I'll have a car that will also be blue

Just like my old one, except 'twill be new;

That time's a long, long way from me.

So I'll keep having fun in my old Model T.

A COMPARISON

He that knows not and knows that he knows not is a freshman.

He that would like to know but does not know is a sophomore.

He that thinks he knows but is not sure is a junior.

He that knows he knows is a senior.

RAIDERS CRUSH MOSINEE FOR REGIONAL TITLE



Wisconsin Rapids crushed Mosinee, 55-35, in the regional finals at Lincoln Field House, Saturday, February 26. Dick Kuehl led the raider attack with 13 points followed by Dean Showers with 12 points.

The victory over Mosinee was an anticlimax to the Raider win over Stevens Point, the previous night, 50-39. In the opening game, Wisconsin Rapids won 69-50 over Waupaca.

Dean Showers continued to play fine basketball during the tournament, being the teams high scorer. Jack Torresani showed a great deal of improvement with fine floor games, and scoring on a high percentage of his shots. Mader, Simonis, Daly, and Ellis played impressive games as the team continued to display a brilliant brand of teamwork.

IN AND OUT THE LOCKER ROOM

"Oooooooo, my back!" "Please, Tory, that's enough." We'll do it again sometime, say in 12 years but let's quit for now."

No, this isn't a column for the boys nor am I speaking about the boy's gym classes. "Tory" has been giving the girl's phys. ed. classes a course in gymnastics and these are just a few of the complaints registered by the participants. Personally, I think Mr. Torresani wanted too much when he asked for "a little co-ordination". My goodness, we had a hard enough time doing the exercises alone not to mention co-ordination. What does he expect? After ten minutes of exerting ourselves in such a manner, we proceeded to run around the track--with the boys. Never have I seen them run so fast.

Class teams in basketball for G. A. A. have been organized with the tournament playoffs next week. Come on, you Juniors! Show 'em how to play and while your at it win that championship title!

CARDINALS CAPTURE SENIOR CAGE CROWN

The Cardinals, led by Arnim Haferman, captured the Senior League basketball championship when they defeated the Pirates 33-20. The Cardinals won six and lost two to finish a game ahead of the Giants, Tigers, and Red Sox. Besides A. Haferman, the Cardinals have George Haferman, Don Walloch, Robert Mueller, Roger Hoekstra, and Bill Miller.

Monday, February 28, along about 3:57, a loud pounding noise came from the towel room in the girl's locker room. It seems, towel checkers, Alta Schmidt and Bev Howard, had locked themselves in this three by seven foot room. How that happened I shall never know unless they were afraid of something, well, shall we say the Normington laundry man?

In the Senior Division of ping-pong, four girls are trying for the championship. They are "Kootie" Kauth, Donna Breager, "Dizzy" Zange, and Kate Henke.