

'Caroling' In South Bend Banks Helps To Spread Holiday Spirit

Senior glee club members, clad in purple robes, silently left Riley during the fourth class period yesterday and boarded a bus which carried them swiftly to the South Bend National Bank.

There, the fifty songsters coughed and swallowed until they had attained their finest vocal quality — took their places on risers located in the center of the main

banking room — and sang to further the Yuletide spirit of South Bend residents. Later in the afternoon they followed the same procedure at the First Bank. Miss Ruby Williams directed.

Among the selections sung by the young choral group were "The First Noel", "O Holy Night", "I Have Found You Kris Kringle", "Legend of the Bells", "Gloria", and others.

BRIEFS . . . Of The Times

AN ARTICLE

of clothing, food or a toy for a needy child, admitted Riley Spanish club members to their annual Christmas party, held in the home of Julie Ann Frankenstein last Wednesday. Refreshments were pot-luck.

A NEW COLUMN

appears today on the sport page . . . BUYS by Lee and LINES by Lyn. Lee is one of the energetic, hard-working Hi-Times Ad Managers. Portia Troyer, has combined efforts with Marilyn Fitch, who contributed her ability at line drawing to produce this column. MEYER'S HARDWARE COMPANY on South Main Street is sponsoring BUYS by Lee and LINES by Lyn. . . . See this column for some good suggestions for Christmas shopping and visit Meyers for hundreds of other items.

BOB HART

one of the winners at Indiana University of an Ernie Pyle scholarship was a former editor of the Hi-Times. He served as third page editor and was editor-in-chief during his senior year.

NANCY LOU KEISER

a senior at Riley, on Tuesday, December 8, was named a \$50 preliminary prize winner in the Chicago Tribune's \$10,000 high school beauty search. The search will continue through December 19 with 140 preliminary winners to be selected from photos submitted to the Tribune. Further information concerning the contest, open to all girls enrolled in high schools during the fall term of 1953, is available in the Hi-Times staff room.

VACATION

for the Christmas holiday begins today at 3:00. Daily school sessions will begin again on Monday, January 4.

Strenuous Play, Loads Of Food; Evening Of Fun

Hours of strenuous play made some 30 or 40 G.A.A. members mighty hungry Wednesday evening. Sandwiches, cokes, and cookies tasted "powerful good" to Miss Lauer and her Girl's Athletic Association, at the annual Christmas "Evening For Fun" of the organization.

Among the Rileyites who took part in the evening's activities were Carol Mae Goodhew, Barbara Newton, Helen Medich, Cleo Kramer, Mary Lou Graham, Barbara Baird, Mary Anderson, Ruth Brothers, Mary Anderson, Marcy Williams, and Wilma Potter.

The G.A.A. group, composed of 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade girls, meets each Wednesday evening in the Riley gymnasium . . . where, for two hours, the participants play volleyball, basketball and other games of their choosing.

Students Display 'Cercle' Creche In Show-Case

A creche, or manger scene, to those unfamiliar with the French language, was arranged and put on display last week by members of the "Cercle de Francais", under sponsor, Miss Bertha Kiel. Figurines representing Mary, Joseph, the infant Jesus, and the famous visitors of the Bethlehem manger appear in the glass showcase located on the second floor of the high school.

The elaborate background for the display was created by a committee composed of West Barnes, Larry Nelson, Billie Jean Wirt, and Jo Ann Balough. An evergreen tree was donated to the club for use in their display by the South Bend Co-Op Food Market.

Class Party To Feature Food Of Many Nations

Eleventh grade American Culture students have found that to understand the customs and culture of their nation, they must also understand that which motivates the people of foreign lands. At a Christmas party this afternoon in Miss Edith Steele and Mr. Earnest Horn's combined English V and United States History class, guests from all nations, who have previously addressed the students as a part of their classroom studies, will be on hand to offer any further information concerning the way of life in their native countries or in lands with which they are familiar.

John Beck, Riley student recently arrived from Germany, Ernie Kovach, Korean prisoner of war, Michael Akpon, Nigerian student now studying at Notre Dame, and Mrs. Alex Stewart, of Scotland, are among those visitors expected to enjoy pre-Christmas festivities later today with the twenty member class.

Marian Piser and Judy Fiedler are co-chairmen of the holiday luncheon party. A decorative table centerpiece constructed from colored paper was designed and executed by Barbara Schilling, Pat Fisher, Norma Jean Vaught, and Carol Walz, under chairman Nancy Carpenter.

Entertainment committee chairman, Diane Owen and her crew composed of Marie Murray, Mary Pittenger, and Clark Bavin are arranging for a busy party program. At their request George Fischeff has agreed to play a piano solo for the group. Christmas songs will be sung by juniors Shirley Kramer, Pat Fisher, Nancy Tirrell, and Marian Piser. The strings of Diane Owen's violin will sing as she plays Wienowski's "Romance."

The recitation of Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish blessings over the food will proceed a gay period of eating . . . a Swedish fish dish, Irish stew, an Italian toss salad, Hungarian pastry, and Russian tea. Constituting the food committee are co-chairmen Mary Lofquist and Alice Turfler, working with Betty Balint, Nancy Tirrell, Judy Fiedler, and Marian Piser.

Invitations were issued by Susie Summers and Shirley Kramer. On hand to bid the guests fare-well will be Beverly Gunn and Jack Byars. This committee of two will also put the party "to bed."

From Hi-Times Staff

Festive parties and group gatherings . . . elaborately decorated windows and trees . . . packages "hidden" in broom closets . . . Christmas Carols . . . and the expectation of two glorious vacation weeks of rollicking good fun remind us that Christmas is near. May it be a happy one for each and every one of you.

May it smile upon the beginning of future days and years blessed with peace and prosperity, during which the warm hand of fellowship will be sincerely extended to every man and woman, and to every boy and girl. May it inspire each of us to recall — and to forever live in realization of an age-old truth . . . "We are richer for what we give, for only by giving do we live."

These are our prayers and our dreams. We humbly ask Him for their fulfillment.

Send A Note To A Friend

When you're sick in bed and feeling rather lonely, how wonderful it is to receive a cheerful note from a friend. How about dropping a line to these people:

Miss Lura VanScoy
825 E. Victoria St.
South Bend 14, Indiana

Bill Denney
Room 483, 4 West
St. Joseph Hospital
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Don Braniff
St. Joe Hospital
Kokomo, Indiana

Richard Coughenour
601 Irvington Ave.
South Bend 14, Indiana



Eyes Smile And Hearts Are Tender As Glee Clubs Offer Christmas Present To School

Riley Junior and Senior glee clubs presented their traditional Christmas gift to the school faculty and student body yesterday morning and again today. Inspirational words of cheer sung to the tunes of favorite Christmas songs rang through the school auditorium, bringing a smile to the eyes and a tenderness to the hearts of those seated within.

Following a candle-light processional of the 100 robed members of the Senior Choral group, under director, Ruby L. Williams, Riley's two glee clubs complimented each other with joint singing and the rendering of individual group selections.

Members of the younger vocal chorus, directed by Mrs. Katherine Knepp, who participated in the annual pre-Christmas program included Phyllis Jarvis, Lylie Harris, Louise Herman, Marg McPharlin, Charlene Sarka, Jean Lindberg, Marilyn Petill, Barbara Hosinski, Barbara Much, Dorothy Gibson, Leila Kirley, Janice Rickel, Judy Moore, Rita Moore, Cynthia Merrill, Virginia Neafus, Carol Schille, Pat Kuzmits, Shirley Gargis, Janet Reader, and Elizabeth Fields.

Karen Kratovil, Janet Martino, Shirley Lenyo, Lois Cunningham, Jane Johnson, Millie Yazich, Judy Nafe, Jean Long, Evangeline Liechty, Edith Olson, Judy Ziegler, Jean Hopkins, Joan Postle, Karen La Pekis, Barbara Foster, and Nancy Kingler.

Other female choristers were Sylvia Turnbull, Carolyn Freepan, Kay Million, Bonnie Silberman, Diane Thornton, Barbara Nicklas, Susan Bon Durant, Pat Corner, Nancy Rolf, Joyce Burkhart, Joan Burkhart, Elizabeth Dwyer, Evadine Kagel, Loretta Jordan, Beverly Husvar, Donna Schroeder, Sharon Shields, Kathy Ramey, Nancy Oare, Olleen Millikin, Helena Kreskai, Mary Knebel, Judy Johnson, and Sara Anson.

The male section of the junior choir was composed of Charles Stites, Mike Moore, Karler Immel, Roy Hruska, Ted Lean, Graydon Reinohl, Larry Johnson, Douglas Schwepler, and Terry Fiedler.

Artists Complete School Calendar

Come January 1, when someone inquires of a Riley student . . . "What's the date?" . . . he will proudly pull out his art department calendar, obtainable for 50 cents, and reply with confidence.

The cover page of the 1954 calendar was drawn by Ronald Raber. Other drawings were created by the skillful hands of Robert Walters, Daniel Post, Barbara Kunz, Barbara Newton, Rose Plaia, Linda Ramey, Martha Boggs, Nick Dembinski, Lewis Szoke, Emmanuel Prathaftakis, Sandra Mikel, and Phil Steele.

Weeks of work by Miss Mary Jane Day's Commercial Art Classes and the printing classes of Champe and the printing classes of Champe were culminated last week in the beautifully designed calendar which "went to market."

Club Members To Tour "Windy" City Tomorrow

Twenty-two Riley Spanish students and their advisor, Mrs. Helen Brokaw, will leave books and pencils at home tomorrow and forget all other plans but one — to spend a day of pure enjoyment in the "windy" city of the midwest.

While in Chicago, the club will visit the museum of Science and Industry, shop and have luncheon in the Mexican section of the city; attend the Cinerama, dine at well-known Toffenetti's, and conclude the day with browsing, if not purchasing, in the loop.

Those who will travel with the foreign language group are Sharon Rogalski, Harold Smurr, John Leopold, Dennis Mikel, Gloria Porter, Suzie Summers, Karen Rasp, Budd Zesinger, Larry Pahl, Roddrey Seifer, Pat Pallatin, Earlene Sieron and Judy Fiedler.

Other "travelers" will include Burnie Maurek, Julie Frankenstein, Patt Hopkins, Julie Papp, Melvin Mercedes, Tom Bohan, Terry Bohan, Terry Beyer, and Karen Rasp.

Buy A 'Poet' Captains Urge

"Buy a yearbook . . . your compact collection of high school memories" is the familiar cry of 'Hoosier Poet' home room captains as they determine to meet their subscription goal of 12,000 copies. At present 10,500 issues of the book have been purchased by Riley students and faculty members.

The energetic, spirited captains who cover first floor home rooms include Tom Bloom, Lynn Orser, Barry Rupel, Shirley Hawblitzel, Marilyn Keltner, Joan Burkhart, Mardelle Molnar, Marty Boggs, Jackie Welter, Dorothy Perkins, Mary Caras, Carolyn Diedrich, and Arlene Pinkenbrink.

Canvassing the second floor for potential "buyers" are Phil Wilmes, Jerry Asbury, Don Jordan, Helen Medich, Diane Owen, Bill Hawley, Jack Befgman, Marilyn Ferrel, Dale Stasney, Ed Galloway, Pat Corner, Wayne Marvel, Delores Bauman, Merl Grosvenor, Ronnie Elliot, Susie Summers, Vicki Moore, and Florence Burroughs.

Third floor captains include Philip Darrow, Gary Elliot, Cheryl Le Jeune, Jim Nelson, Glenda Mastain, Charles Swartz, Ralph William, Douglas Hiles, Shirley Lenyo, Nancy Riggs, Roger Cripe, Shirley Krabenshue, Bob Cherpes, Loretta Stante, Kathleen Andrejewske, Therese Vaszari, and Barbara Wolf.



Santa Is Preparing His Sackful Of Toys

by Mary Lee Hood

Christmas is just around the corner, as everyone knows, and Santa is preparing his huge pack. His helpers are filling his sleigh with all kinds of toys, and good,es, and gifts for everyone.

Everyone from the oldest grandma to the newest baby will enjoy a visit from wonderful o'd St. Nick.

Santa comes to every home, for everyone has the spirit and, after all, that's what Santa is, the spirit of Christmas.

Why do people say, "I don't believe in Santa Claus?" They would be pretty lonely and unhappy at Christmas time if they didn't believe.

Little children who just love Santa and can't wait to hear his sleigh bells are too often disillusioned when told that there isn't a Santa Claus. Of course there's a Santa Claus. What would Christmas be for anyone if there wasn't?

No one should shut dear old Santa out of their heart. He is such a jolly fellow and really brings lots of good cheer and happiness, if given half a chance.

A Very, Very Merry Christmas - And A Happy New Year

As we put the finishing touches on our Christmas tree, or nativity scene, we step back to gaze upon the beautiful symbols of the birth of Christ so many years ago. And, as we look upon these things, we recall the glorious things that happened that night so long ago.

Today, Christmas has come to be a period of festive merry-making and gaiety. Underneath all the fun lies the true and serious meaning of December 25. In all our good time we should remember that what we are really celebrating is Jesus' birthday.

Christmas is not celebrated the world over with Santa Claus, and some other traditional American beliefs.

In Norway the little children talk of the Christ Child and His coming, and bid their friends, "God Jul."

The bringing of the yule log, symbolizing Christ, opens the Christmas season in England. And in the blazing fire, wrongs, jealousies and misunderstandings are forgotten.

The young and anxious children of Holland leave their wooden shoes outside their homes for Kris Kringle.

Although Christmas is celebrated with different customs in every land, it all means the same thing underneath.

The Hi-Times staff wishes you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

Hammering of Tools And Merry Voices Fill Santa's Shop



Hammering of little tools, and the singing of merry voices fill a very well known, and secret place - Santa's workshop.

Santa's helpers are very busy this week, putting the finishing touches on all the toys Santa will deliver on Christmas Eve.

Santa is also busy, for he must make sure that everything will be finished on time. He must check his list of boys and girls to be certain that he hasn't forgotten someone, and to be sure he has the perfect gift for each child.

I would never be forgiven if I forgot to mention Mrs. Santa. She is very important to everyone, for she cooks delicious meals for Santa and all his little helpers.

When you open your package on Christmas morning, remember all the work that went into it, and be grateful that Santa chose the right gift for you!



They find fault with our editor, The stuff we print is rot. The paper is about as peppy as A cemetery lot. The ads show poor arrangement, The jokes, they say, are stale, The upperclassmen hollar, The lowerclassmen wail. But when the paper is printed, And the issue is on file, If somebody missed a copy, You can hear him yell a mile.

Today is the last day of school before Christmas, and we are all happy to start a very wonderful two weeks vacation full of dances, parties, and gaiety. The staff wishes you a very wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year.

At the Rainbow Dance December 30 will be Judy Roose and Jack Cole, Marilyn Fitch and Dave Farrell, Carol Tribbett and Danny Wiegand, Helene Brender and LaVerne Talboon, Dottie Greenleaf and Chuck Wayne, Pat Shamory and Bill Yahle, Georgia Hahn and Danny Voynovich, Sandy Lovisa and Ray Webster, Connie Wallace and Jim Papp, Pat Pate and Terry Baker, Shirley Shamory and Rene Van de Velde, Lori Bradfute and Otto Taylor.

Dancing to the delightful music of Toni Rulli at the Sub-Junior Progress Club Dance will be Sandra Mikel and Earl Briesch, Marc Mangus and Sally Casper, Carolyn Sarka and Jim Thompson, Kay Mittler and Buddie Dmonkos, and Marty Boggs and Tom Swem.

I heard a remarkable conversation in the hall, the other day, between a couple of freshmen. It sort of goes like this:

"Ya like t'read?" "Yeah." "Wha cha like t'read?" "Li'l Abner, Terry 'na Pirates, Dick Tracy." "Ya like O Henry?" "Nah, th' nuts git in me teeth."

Attending the Culver Christmas Ball will be Jim Robison and Miriam Starr.

One woman to another: "Why no, I didn't tell anyone - I didn't know it was a secret."

Gee, I have a lot of steadies to tell you about today. There is Peggy Reasor and Dave Rogers, Sue Blackburn and Dick Fletcher, Pat Kambol and Sam Komasovich, Theresa Nelson and Ronnie Pershing, Mary Timm and Ralph Yar-

bough, Norma Zimmer and Ronnie Bileaski, Janet Priddy and Dick Gibbons (Adams), Janice Chapman and Ned Dugdale (Adams), Nancy Keres and Al N'etch (Central), Beverly Ellis and Kay James (Central).

I see he I love he For he, I would die He tell I He love I But darn he, he lie.

Just dating are Alice Torok and John Neville, Frances Morris and Bob Ray, Janet Whitmer and Jim Jennings (Mish.), Phylis Darrow and Johnny Phillips, Kay Anderson and Bill Tatay, Donna Freel and Jack Hanks, Mary Ellen Keres and Roland Penville, Pat Pallatin and Tom Pluski, Judy Kenyan and Bill Hoke, Arlene Finkenbrink and Frank Douglas.

Little Willie like a man, Ate spaghetti from a can, Heard his daddy on the lawn yell, "Where's my can of fish worms gone?"

Don't forget the Holiday Basketball Tournay January 2nd.

State police report that on a traffic sign reading, "School Zone - Don't Kill A Child", somebody had added in a childish scrawl: "Wait for a teacher."

Going to the Riley Alumni Dance December 29 at the Indiana Club will be Billie Whiteman and Dan Puskas, Joyce Cutner and Paul Muckenfuss.

Something for the Speech department: A speech is like a steer's horns - a point here and a point there, with a lot of bull in between.

Congratulations to the cast of Nutcracker Suite for a job well done.

Student body - Art model. School teacher - One who takes a lot of live wires and sees that they are well-grounded.

Traffic light - A device to help pedestrians get half-way across the street.

Cold storage - handkerchief. Acid test - Chem. exam. Trade wind - sales talk. Suit of armour - knight gown.

See you all next year, and have a really wonderful vacation.

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HERE'S THE DOPE

Trials and Tribulations of First Formal

by Judy Roose

Dear Sue,

I have just finished by Geometry assignment, so I guess I'll write that note I promised you this morning. There is still quite a bit of time left in study hall. I still have some English, French and Biology to do, but . . . I'm tired of homework. I'll finish it in Guidance, next hour.

I am so excited about the dance tomorrow night. In fact, I was so nervous in English this morning, that when Miss Lushbaugh called on me, I answered in French. Everyone in the class was snickering and I was so embarrassed. Golly, I'm trying so hard not to let anyone know this is my first formal, but somehow I'm having kind of a hard time doing it, when things like that always happen.

Did I tell you that I got that crinoline slip and those shoes that I wanted to go with my formal? Well . . . I did! Mother sent my formal to the cleaners last Tuesday and it should be back tonight. I'm sure it will be, if they said it will. No, I won't worry, I know it'll be there when I get home from school.

What color is your formal? Are you and Pete going to Jane's party before the dance. Simply everyone is going! Is it proper to take more than three helpings of refreshments? What if I spill something on my formal? What if it shouldn't come back from the cleaners in time? Oh, will I live until then??

Well, Sue, this homework is still staring me in the face and I just can't seem to stare back any longer. I'll meet you at my locker after school.

So long

Mary.

Xmas Wishes Sent To That Happy 'Gent'

by Esther O'Dell

With Christmas on its way, and all the stores putting on their Yule-tide dress - it would seem time for Christmas wishes, and for speaking with that happy "gent" Santa Claus.

A few of the younger set are quite undecided, but not Shirley Duncan as she stated, "A Cadillac, and one extra, a handsome chauffeur." Ah-yes, dream on!! Dottie Perkins and Sharon Cohee have a simple request, SNOW!!! While Joanne Stamp would appreciate a gift-wrapped man. I'm wondering if she doesn't have someone special in mind.

It is my personal opinion that Bucky Buckwalter would certainly go for a seat on the school bus as soon as Santa can manage it.

Ray Johnston is wishing for those traditional two front teeth in order to replace the two he lost on the gym floor sometime ago.



Off The Corridor

by pat and fran

One toe to another, "I think a heel is following us."

—Mishawaka Alltold
OTC

Guess what? We have authors in the crowd.

This past week a book was published entitled "Junior Reviewers." Several Riley seventh and eighth graders under the leadership of Mrs. Margaret Cassidy, Mr. Edward Jenkinson, Miss Edith Snoke, and Miss Lura Van Scoy decided to share their pleasures in reading with their classmates and parents by writing about their favorite books. Each class selected one book review to appear in "Junior Reviewers." Those who recently had reviews published were: Carolyn Brown, Pat Corner, Bob Murray, Joanne Hess, Edward Sclamburg, Mike Shapiro, Wayne Marvel, Marilyn Keltner, Dora Robinson, Sandra Kenady, Florence Burroughs, Barbara Foster, Judith Horvath, Sara Anson, Gail Burger, Teddy Lean, Diana Thornton, Richard Reese, and Dennis Floden.

We wish to congratulate these boys and girls and their teachers. Their interests in books are appreciated.

OTC



Man is nothing but dust. That's why a woman can settle him so quickly.

—Washington Hatchet
OTC

Arrangement of toys is the idea for the underclassmen art classes. They are putting Santa Clauses, trains, dolls and reindeer into interesting pictures. The art classes recently finished making tree decorations to send to Camp Atterbury, Indianapolis, Indiana. At the army camp the decorations were sorted and sent to homes boarding families unable to afford such decorations. This was a wonderful idea and I am glad our school was able to participate. Thanks cannot be expressed to its fullest extent when such good deeds are accomplished: Students participating were: John Botkin, Susan Clark, Barbara Nicholas, Kathleen Ramsey, Jim Smith, Norman Trost, Warren Reynolds, Marjory McPharlin, Tom Carmichael, Pat Newcomer, Jay Stakly, Lynn Warren, Bob Stanfield, John Woods, Amber French, Nancy Oare, and Bonnie Bedwell.

OTC

You can never tell about women and if you can, you shouldn't.

—Washington Hatchet
OTC

To climax the semester study in family living, Miss Pearl Sellar's Home Economics classes are stressing family counsel in the preparation of luncheons. There are four students to each family in each class making five to seven different "families." During these counsels the luncheon plan including their one-third of their daily food requirements are served in regular meals sticking close to the basic seven foods. Miss Sellar stays in the background making sure that none of her students commit errors. Students taking part in the luncheons are the girls of the 8B classes and one 9A group. Some of them are: Bonnie Davis, Josephine Jackson, Nancy Oare, Edith Olson, Janice Harke, Tanna Hesler, Patricia Gofferney, Fern Foster, Nancy Dietl, Kay Million, Margie McPharlin, Barbara Stefler, Cecilia NanGoey, June Mangus, and Janet Martins.

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John Smith: The average man lives 30 years longer than did the average man of 1800.

Bob Jones: He has to, in order to get his taxes paid.

Santa Claus Coming To Town, Put Away Togs; Think About Classmates

by Mary Willis

Howdy classmates! Would you be interested in learning about some of our Rileyites? With Christmas vacation starting today and Santa Claus coming next Friday we must have something lingering in our minds beside, "I want a bicycle for Christmas."

First on the list is junior ANN PHILIPSON. Ann has no favorite food but her favorite record is "Ebb Tide." She says people who call her "red" or "blondie" are her pet peeves. She continually uses the word "alrighty" and relates her most embarrassing moment to be "when she had her shoes stolen during a gym class and had to wear her gym shoes for the rest of the day."

Next is senior BILL SICKAFOOSE. Bill at the present time is playing basketball and enjoying his favorite food, sauerkraut and weiners. As for records, "Gambler Guitar" is tops. His favorite color is blue and his favorite expression is "That's what she said."

A ninth grader, BARBARA SELBY, like many others, enjoys the record "Dragnet." She hurriedly told me that she liked the new lunch hour, but dislikes short home room periods. (That just had to be put in). Her favorite subject is French and her favorite movie is "All American." (I liked it, too). Barbara says the color blue is simply "cool", which incidentally is her favorite expression. You can find her indulging, on certain occasions, in her favorite food which is macaroni with hamburger.

From today on, you little children must be good. You want Santa to visit your house. Then after Christmas you can tell me what you received for Christmas . . . if you have nothing to tell . . . perhaps you weren't good . . . bye now.

Rileyites Planning Ahead To Spend Their Two Weeks Vacation

by Mary Willis

Here it is . . . that wonderful season again . . . Christmas. We have two glorious weeks of vacation starting today . . . Hmmm. Let's find out how a few of the guys and gals are going to spend their two weeks.

Our friend, Lori Bradfute is looking forward to the Riley Alumni Dance and also the Rainbow Christmas formal. John Abell told me that he was going to take a vacation. Jim Hummel doesn't know what he is going to do this far ahead. I'm sure he will think of something before long.

Marian Dock, a new senior gal at Riley, is going to get plenty of sleep in the daytime and run around at night. (Sounds like a lot of fun if you can get away with it).

Sherry Dale, Carol Filley, and Mary Howard plan to catch up on their sleep. (Pleasant dreams, gals). Chuck Bowers is going to work and Chuck Cooperrider is going to go to lots of beach parties . . . in Florida, that is.

Susie Henninghausen plans to eat, sleep, and get fat, while Jim Stack is just going to loaf.

When I asked Denny Wiegand what he was going to do, he answered "Going hunting" . . . but he didn't say what.

John Wutrich will take Marvin Wallace to see Santa Claus. I'm sure Santa will be happy to see both of the boys, don't you?

Be careful over the holidays and whatever you do . . . have a . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS.



Librarians Urge Comment On Books

We have been paid off! Two weeks ago we asked that students make comments on books after they finished reading them. The library staff cooperated with this plan by asking students to make these comments when the book was returned.

A few comments are: "I have read the non-fiction book, ROOM FOR ONE MORE. The title explains the book!" (ed's note: we disagree with the writer . . . one more what and where, and such vital questions as these . . . Oh, well). L. J. Shultheis further says, "I believe this is a good book for kids in the ninth and tenth grades."

ELIZABETH, THE II QUEEN OF GREAT BRITIAN is a touching story of the royal family told by Marion Crawford, former governess of the princesses. It portrays the royal family as real people with more than one side to their likes and dislikes. It is a very entertaining and educational book. I enjoyed it very much. Claudia Joan Sailor.

(Students are urged to take a bit of time when a book is returned to the library to give some comment which would be helpful to other students who might become interested in the book).

Underclassman Asks About "Hyte" To Stump Senior With Question

by Joan Wagner

Hi kids. Here it is another issue, another story. I have just returned from Study Hall 318, which incidentally, is taken over by the 7th and 8th grade students.

My head is splitting and my shins and toes hurt from being kicked and stepped on. However I got this story. When one of these little ones approached me with the question, "What does HYTE mean?" I about keeled over. Although I am a senior I don't happen to be a dictionary and since I didn't know I decided to find out who did.

I began by asking some of the seventh graders what it meant and here are some of their answers.

Sue Jones thinks it means "hobo." (Guess again Sue).

Carol Wolf believes it means a color of people.

Pat Clayton says it means "blouse."

Cynthia Hummel states "I don't know." (Nothing like being honest, eh, Cyn!)

Among a few of the eighth graders to take a stab at the meaning were: Jack Haag, Leon Allen, and Sally Young. Jack a cute fellow hailing from home room 218 thinks out pet word means tall. Leon believes "it means the outskirts of town," while Sally says it is the way you look. (You're close, Sally)

I approached Jerry Ferrell, a curly headed fellow in the 9th grade, and proceeded with the questioning. His answer was far from right. He believes it to be "a family of cats."

Jim Nelson, a 10B, believes it is something to eat, while Anna Kelley, a 11B, says, "It doesn't sound good and should be promptly put in the garbage can."

I decided to ask an experienced senior and this was the reply I received from Mickie Gaffigan, "It is an unknown verb."

Since no one seemed to know I consulted Webster's dictionary. Its definition of our word HYTE is MAD.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.



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'Cat Quintet Wilts Neath Torrid Pace Set By Mishawaka

by Louie Domanok

Coach Charlie Stewart's Riley Quintet traveled to Mishawaka last Friday night to drop their third game in a row to the Mishawaka Cavemen in a 60 to 37 defeat.

The Wildcats paced the Cavemen through the first half of a rough and tumble game, but lost all their spark in the second half. After a slow first quarter which ended in a 10 to 10 tie the Cats managed to keep up with the Cavemen. The second quarter ended in a 19 to 19 tie. The deadlock ended with two minutes gone of the third quarter, when the score read 20 to 20. From then on the Cavemen slowly pulled out front. The third period ended with the Cavemen out front 35 to 25. Sparked by Jim Kocsis and Dick Coppens the Cavemen added to their lead. Mishawaka's big Pat Ganser spent the second half on the bench with four fouls. Bill Sickafoose and Orvester Austin fouled out in the fourth quarter.

Mishawaka's Jim Kocsis held all scoring honors with 20 points, 5 field goals and 10 free throws. Dick Coppens took second place honors with 18 points, consisting of 6 field goals and 6 free throws.

Bernie Maurek led the Riley quintet with one field goal and 6 free throws, a total of 8 points. Orvester Austin followed Maurek with 7 points.

Jefferson Bulldogs Push Kittens From Lead Spot In Loop

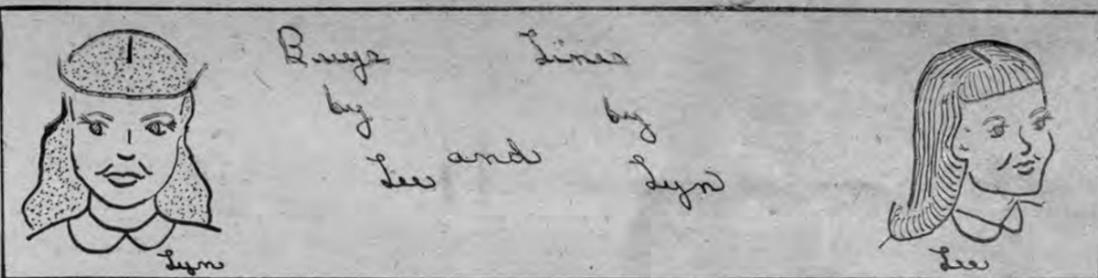
by Tom Flatt

The 8th grade kittens ran into a boy by the name of Larry Grady Dec. 9, in the Riley gym, Grady scored 14 points for Jefferson's Bulldogs who defeated the Riley Kittens 35-31.

The game got off with Jefferson getting the first points on a set shot by R. J. West. Then Riley took charge and took the lead until half way through the fourth quarter. The first half play was all Riley and leading Jefferson at one time by 7 points. But the high spirited, hard fighting Bulldogs came back to be trailing only by four points at the half 21-17.

Both teams came back on the floor in the second half ready to go. Riley getting the first basket by Murray. Then it was a seesaw battle the rest of the stanza. In the fourth stanza it was a different story. Jefferson tied it up about half way through the final quarter and then Riley regained the lead. Grady of Jefferson decreased Riley's lead to 1 point on a free-throw. The invaders then took the lead in the final minutes with a lay-in shot, which pushed the Kittens into the second place of the division.

8th Grade Statistics		7th Grade Statistics			
Riley	Opponents	Riley	Opponents		
FG	FT	FTM	F Tot.		
Murray, Bob	32	13	25	26	77
Barnes, Dan	24	8	9	25	56
Gunn, Dave	15	14	19	21	44
Eader, Tom	19	3	13	15	41
Kramer, Dave	15	7	5	25	37
Herr, Don	10	5	14	8	25
McKillip, Norm	6	2	5	7	14
Spaulding, Tom	4	6	3	2	14
Newman, Harry	1	3	1	4	5
Walters, Dick	1	2	1	6	4
Evard, Dan	1	1	5	0	3
Roper, Gerald	1	0	0	2	2
Totals	129	64	100	141	303



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Lee & Lynn

Imps Squeeze Out Frosh In Overtime Conference Thriller

by George Horvath

Riley's Freshmen basketball team traveled to Michigan City a week ago yesterday, where they were defeated by the Michigan City Frosh, 28-26, in an over-time game.

In the first quarter, Michigan City's Pirates fired a shower of shots toward the basket, but none disturbed the net. Riley gained possession of the ball and came down court. They worked the ball carefully in this period and held the Pirates to two points, scored from the charity line, as the quarter ended. During the second period, the Cats started shooting from out and hit for 7 points, while Michigan City scored on only four free-throws, making the score 13-7.

In the third quarter, the Pirates hit for their first field goal, while Riley again scored 7 points. The Cats lengthened their lead to 9 points before the third period ended. In the last quarter, the Pirates got red hot and hit from every angle. Their defense tightened and they held the Riley Frosh to 5 points, all scored from the charity stripe by John Miller, while they scored 14 points, which was more than they scored in all three previous quarters. They tied the Cats before the gun sounded 25-25.

During the three minute overtime period, the Michigan City rooters went wild. Both teams attempted to steal the ball, and either were unsuccessful or fouled their opponent. The Cats scored only 1 point in this period and the Pirates scored three to take the lead and win the game, 28 to 26.

John Miller led the Cats' attack with 2 field goals and 5 free tosses for 9 points. Jim Ulrich hit for 6; Kent Richards for 5; and Roger Keller for 3. Jerry Starrett scored 2 points and Don Katona concluded Riley's scoring with 1 free toss.

The Freshmen "B" Cats easily downed a game but inexperienced Pirate "B" squad, 21-14. Jim Talcott led the "B" Cats scoring with 6 points.

Better Ball Playing Leads To Initial Win Over Host Maroons

by Bob Berebitsky

Better shooting and better rebounding (than in their first game) and better officiating (than in the varsity game) gave the B-Cats their first victory. Coach Lenny Rzesewski's men posted a 33-26 score over the Mishawaka Maroons last Friday over in the little suburb.

With Louie Anderson, Buzz Wintrode, and Ken Ford controlling the backboards the Wildcats outscored the Cavemen 7 to 3 in the first period and 8-7 in the second to lead at halftime by a score of 15-10.

Dale Stroup's 6 points, Gale Acton's 2, and Anderson's 1 pushed the Cats in front by 24-12 with 2:45 left in the third quarter.

Leading 25-16 at the start of the final 6 minutes, the Catmen were caught off guard and the Maroons crept to within 4 points, 26-22 with 3:20 left in the contest. However the Cats woke up and went ahead 32-23 with 1:05 left.

With 0:03 left, disaster struck --- Anderson fouled out --- but the Cats managed to hang on and 3 seconds later, won their first game of the season.

Bedford, Blue Devils Opens Riley Invitational Tourney Cats, Hammond In Wind-up

January 2 about 1:00 there will be people walking over to John Adams to witness the Riley Invitational Tourney and waiting to see four teams with hopes of starting the new year off right with a win; they are Bedford and Gary Froebel in the opener, Riley, winding up the afternoon.

Bedford has a record of four wins and one loss. There wasn't a senior on the 1952-53 squad which spells trouble for Gary. They will be outstanding in the southern part of the state. If you are in your seat by tip-off time, you might see a starting line-up of this sort. John Bellush, Ralph Canada, Gordon Emery, William Gabbert and Keith Greathouse.

Gary isn't too bad off with seven of their ten from last year's campaign. A 6' 6" center by the name of Bencis is a three year man for this team of Blue Devils and he clears the backboard of stray balls pretty fair. Froebel has yet to taste defeat since playing three foes. They took the Wildcats last year by the score of 65-60. This quintet is one of the best in the Calumet District if not the best.

Hammond has the potential of a state champion this year. They also have a 6' 8" center, Frank Radovich by name. A possible starting five could be Allen Klob, Dave Bement, Tom Granack, and Gib Blackmun.

Hanish Top Scorer, Boyer Is Second

by John Skiles

Here are the records for the Riley 7th grade Kittens for their first four games of the 1953-54 season.

L. Wilson	INDIVIDUAL RECORDS				F Tot.
	FG	FT	FTM	F	
L. Wilson	6	4	4	2	16
D. Balyeat	2	1	2	1	5
D. Hanish	14	4	6	3	32
Hesler	1	0	0	0	2
G. Roper	8	4	7	3	20
S. Warren	2	0	2	0	4
M. Boyer	8	6	7	9	22
G. Lerman	3	1	0	1	7
R. Gang	9	2	8	6	20
L. Morris	3	0	0	1	6

Key:
FG—field goals FT—free throws made
FTM—free throws missed F—fouls
Team Record FG FT FTM F Tot.
56 22 36 26 134
Won 4 Lost 0

Cadets Maul Riley Tankers At Culver

Culver Military Academy's undefeated swim team sank the Riley tankers by the score of 48-18 last Saturday at Culver. The only first for the Wildcats was in the 120 yard medley relay. Tom Peters, Ronald Rogers and Don Coar were responsible for this first. Terry Byer managed to hold on to third place after going 40 yards in a freestyle. Don Rogers and Ronald Rogers came in second and third respectively in the 100 yard breast-stroke. In the 200 yard freestyle it was Jim Smith getting second. When the 100 yard backstroke was over Tom Peters wound up in the second spot. In the 100 yard freestyle Don Coar was able to get a second. Jack Hanna found his deeds go to the second place spot in diving. Culver took the 160 yard medley relay.

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