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## DUST BOWL

Seen through our spyglass:

Loren Milliken doing some fancy high jumping. Diving on his head mostly. . . . Everyone getting a kick out of Morton Parks' reports. Got a pillow ready at home, Morton? . . . Where was it that Gene Vinson took Dorothea Dempsey? That wasn't the night she went to the carnival was it? . . . Loren Fields and friends pushing his Ford down the hill to get it started (as usual). . . . Smokey with a blonde at the Senior play. We're awfully curious Smokey. . . . John Gist ducking behind a telephone post and holding a bush in front of him every time a car passed him last Monday. Those green track pants he was forced to wear home blended in with the scenery very well. Is there a seamstress in the house???

Harold Ness and Snooky Baker doing a little shadowing or just plain trailing while at the music contest in Newberg. Whee! There's that gal again! Phyllis Van Lanningham playing up to the visiting baseball players at the game just before Easter vacation. . . . The name is Paul, Phyllis. Further particulars can be given in case you're interested. . . . Some one turning the hose on John Grossman when he tried to play Tarzan in the oak tree. . . . Vi Bickel with an orchid on. . . . Ask Pat Day about lemon cakes and the Green Lantern at Newberg. . . . Andy Swan having a lot of fun on the bus coming home from the music tournament. . . . Well, it looks as if Betty Sturgess and Richard Swanson have finally gotten together. . . . Tom Arthur crowning Bill Steven queen of the May (hay) with the nicest wreath of white flowers. . . . These fishermen telling about the ones that didn't get away! New story anyway. . . .

## Notes To You

At Oswego school last Tuesday, Richard Karl Reiner and his band finally came out in the open and played in public. The band, colloquially known as the "Rhythm Rats," has been practicing off and on, reshuffling its personnel since January but is still held back by a limited repertoire. Headed by Lincolnite Reiner who does the piano work, the band boasts a Dunthorpe squirt Marshall Wright, whose work on the clarinet and sax is generally conceded to be pretty good.

Present at the dance was sandy-haired, toothy West Linn cat Bob MacAnulty who was busy with plans for a band of his own. Mac plans to borrow three of Reiner's men. Alto sax man Dave Young, second trumpet Art Huebner and tenor man Wright. He also made arrangement with Alf Kelley the younger for clarinet work.

Other members of the outfit will include Bob Bradley on alto, leader MacAnulty on second trumpet, John Grossman on third trumpet. Jim Jennings and Tom Arthur will blow trombones, Dwain Wanker will handle the piano, Ford Black will take care of the percussion department, department and Bill Stevens will pluck the guitar. The boys have scheduled a practice for tonight.

## Origin of May Day

May Day, the first day of May, has for centuries been associated among Latin and Germanic peoples with religious and other festival observances, and is still so observed by Celtic and other races. In Rome, May day was associated with worship to the goddess Maia, who represented the principal cause of fertility. This was the origin of a May Day celebration, and to this day, May customs survive in May-Pole dances, and the crowning of a queen of the May. Outings to the field and forest, to return laden with green flowering boughs is still observed.

Today organized propandastic groups and labor organizations set aside the first day in May for their meetings and demonstrations. In Germany Russia and other European countries, May Day is observed as Labor day.

Centuries ago people added to the May Day celebrations and fun by masquerading as Robin Hoods or similar legendary characters. These parts were portrayed by all classes of people. Songs and dances made up a large portion of the day's celebration. The actual basis of May Day, however, seems to have been the Roman Floralia, celebrated April 28, and instituted at Rome about 241 B. C. Also among observances of the Floralia are mentioned gay costumes, dramatic performances and comic dances.

## School Board Plans Much for School

West Linn's School Board, consisting of five members and a clerk, has been active throughout the past year in planning a full program of scholastic and intermural activities for the students.

Early in the fall, open bleachers were erected on the south side of the athletic field to seat crowds at the football games. A planned development for a later date will transform these into a covered grandstand with complete dressing room facilities beneath.

At the present time, work is progressing on a project west of the gymnasium where tennis courts are to be built. The construction, under the supervision of Mr. O'Hara, is using NYA labor; employing several West Linn high school boys. Tree falling, stump digging, grading, and rock work has been in progress for the past two weeks, with the prospect of construction work to begin in the near future.

Kenneth Renner, who is elected from the Holy Garden's section of the district, is serving as chairman of the board. Associated with him are Karl Bauersfeld of Bolton, Herman Buse of Sunset, J. A. Reams and Wesley Milliken of Willamette and Clyde Hughes of Bolton, clerk.

# Class News

## Freshman Class

At the meeting of the Freshman class, which was held Friday, April 25. Officers for the following year were nominated. Those students nominated for president were Robert Wood, David Young, Junior Puderbaugh, Rueben Baisch and Dennis McLean; for vice president, Milton Zimmerman, Dennis McLean, Marilyn Bragg, Bill Larson, Donna Nigren, Isabel Vinson, Reed Ingalls; for secretary, Thelma Gear, Elaine Hellberg, Isabel Vinson, Marilyn Bragg, Pat Rush and Robert Moyes; for cabinet member, Donald Dennis, Lloyd Englert, and Hank Quade; for sergeant at arms, Rueben Baisch, Harry Crandall, Robert Ballieu and Robert Moyes.

## Sophomore Class

The sophomores recently elected Bob McAnulty as president for the coming year. Other officers elected were Violet Rothman, vice-president; Rosalin Enns, secretary; Pat Erben, treasurer; Suzanne Zimmerman, cabinet member; and Vernon Eaden, Sergeant-at-arms.

## Juniors Nominate Senior Officers Tuesday

A meeting of the Junior class was held Tuesday morning for the purpose of nominating officers for next year and discussing the Junior-Senior Send Off.

For president, Marshall Webster, Randall McLaughlin and John Morrison were nominated; for vice president, Melvin Buckles, Bob Gassner, Gene Vinson, Bill Rakel, and Howard Berry. The two nominated for treasurer were Arlene Schwartz and Doris Draper. For secretary, Betty Erben, Margie Huiras and Patsy Silver. The cabinet members, Barbara Smith, Betty Helsby, Cunera Duyn, Bill Walston and Bob Dagget. Three boys were nominated for sergeant-at-arms, they were Bob Donovan, Bob Gassner and John Morrison.

The Junior-Senior Send Off is to be held at the Jantzen Beach on May 23. All Juniors and Seniors are urged to come.

## Girls League Delegates To Go to Conference

At the University high school of Eugene May 3, there will be held the annual spring conference of the Girl's League.

The plans for the day will include registration, program, discussion groups, luncheon, tour of the campus and a tea.

Since each school is permitted to bring four delegates and there are to be five discussion groups, the girls will decide which group they wish to attend.

Four delegates, along with Miss Moe have been chosen to attend. The girls are Suzanne Zimmerman, Katherine Paterson, Betty Helsby and Pat Silvers.

The Freshman is grassy and grows.

The Sophomore is sassy and shows.

The Junior is brassy and blows.

The Senior is classy and knows.

—Monday Mourning Moan, Forest Grove, Oregon.

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## Girls League Planning Tea

The Girls' League will sponsor a Mother-Daughter Tea on Thursday, May 8.

The mother of each student is invited to attend.

Those on the committees are: Entertainment: Ruth Grassman, chairman; Lois Young, Doris Zimmerman, Irene Endres.

Arrangement: Maxine Chaney, chairman; Nayda Geske, Margaret McLucas, Lela Bamford.

Favors (invitations): Evelyn Woodworth, chairman; Clydelle Hughes, Betty Taylor, Dorothy Zittle, Helen Boettcher.

Refreshments: (Miss McWhorter's classes) Grece Tiedeman, chairman; Virginia Lewis, Janet Wievisick, Lorraine Payne, Marjorie Wuiras.

## DIS ONE'S WOTTEN

I wish I was a wittle egg  
Away up in a tree,  
I wish I was a wittle egg  
As rotten as could be  
And when some naughty little  
Boy made faces at me  
I'd smash my wotten wittle self  
And spatter down on he.

—The Jeffersonian, Portland, Oregon.

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## Subtle Satire

**THIS WEEK FINDS:** Yours truly's column being peeked at by many a fond parent and friend who visits our fair campus today—to them I have to say—taking into consideration spring and my vivid imagination, they (the students) are on the whole, the most well behaved little rascals you ever saw. **About that senior play,** Carl Erickson and Bill Etchison and myself did all the work, but Merkle and Ness got all the . . . well, we object! **Something to get off my chest,** the idea of awarding or not awarding the senior class honors on the basis of a four year attendance at West Linn is screwy. What's the idea anyhow? **Latest joke around school**—(heard in London air raid shelter) "Keep your hands off me—no not you"—Little Bobbie darling asked me to play the malt shop on account of our manager works there. I agree with you Baker, it should be plugged, bombed and absolutely demolished, it's unfair—I suppose I don't have to mention that icky goo affair between Andy and Pat which is still holding forth (sickening isn't it?)—Our fair haired boy Dave Williams giving excuses why he could not possibly have a girl in Seattle (it's too far away so he says, ask Dave) by the way did you hear about what happened when Howard Barry saw Dave with a blonde and thought it was Laverne Maine? After all there are things at home to keep his interest.

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## Recreational Club Holds Weekly Dance

The Oswego Recreational club held its second dance at the Oswego school Tuesday from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m.

The club was organized with the aid of the Oswego school board and advisors and instructors from the Clackamas County W.P.A. Officers of the club include president, Smokey Anderson, vice-president, Jerry Larue, secretary treasurer, Jane Byerly and a sergeant-at-arms, Clarke Anderson.

Music for the dance was furnished by Richard Reiner's orchestra.

Tuesday's meeting was open to visitors but future dances will be restricted to members and their guests. Dances are held every Tuesday.

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