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SCHOOL NOTES

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS.

No elaborate preparations have been made for the Christmas exercises in Marshfield schools this year although most of the rooms will give some simple exercises appropriate to the season. There will be a small display of art work on the first floor of each building which all visitors are invited to inspect. The real exhibit of school work will be made in the spring—about Arbor Day.

The pupils of the Marshfield High school have organized a literary society to meet every week. It is composed of members of the High school. The following are the officers:

- Leslie Isaacson, president.
 - Ruth Horton, vice-president.
 - Lee Byerly, secretary.
 - A. L. Barker, critic.
- The society will give its first program Monday, December 8, at 8 o'clock P. M., at the school building. The following program will be given:
- Piano solo—Ruth Horton.
 - Declamation, Nebuchadnezzar—Lee Byerly.
 - Debate, Resolved—That the Marshfield High school should have one daily session from 8 A. M. to 1:00 P. M.
 - Affirmative—Will Horton, Max Reizgard.
 - Negative—Arthur Kolstad, Vivian Carlson.
 - Vocal solo—F. A. Tiedgen.
 - Current events—Evelyn Langworthy.
 - Essay—Bruce Kelley.

The Marshfield High School Athletic Association is making arrangements for a dance to be held at the Eagles hall, December 27, 1911. They will have good music and everybody will be shown a good time. It will be an invitation affair. The invitations will be issued in a few days.

The Chemistry class in part of their laboratory work this week have been making oxides of nitrogen.

Considerable time is being given in the Ninth grade English class to oral expression. On Friday each member of the class told some interesting current event which was to occupy from three to five minutes' time. Among those doing good work along these lines were: Clara Sergeant, Cora Dye, Horace Rahskopf, Elsie Hall, Mary Kruse and Andrew Thomas. Debating and the telling of stories will form part of the year's work in this grade.

The Tenth grade pupils in English have been developing paragraphs from the topic sentence and are doing very good work.

The Eleventh grade pupils have finished the study of Julius Caesar and will take up the Elizabeth Prose Winters. As a closing lesson on Julius Caesar each member of the class handed in a character sketch of one of the characters in the play. The Twelfth grade have been studying Whittier, his life, and his poems upon slavery, and after a study of these poems each member of the class wrote a paper on Whittier as an Advocate of Freedom.

The freshman class in Algebra have chosen sides and are having a series of tests. The side having the highest average will be excused from the regular recitation period on Friday.

The faculty of the High School plan on giving a play shortly after the holiday vacation, the funds to be used to purchase a Victrola for the High school or pictures for the building.

The Athletic Association are also planning a minstrel show to be given for the benefit of the association. The soliciting committee for

funds for the improvements being made on the tabernacle are meeting with fairly good success.

A new floor has been put in the tabernacle, the seats have been arranged bleacher style, the baskets have been moved thus giving an outside boundary line all around the floor, the platform has been moved back giving more room. Since the new floor has been put in, it is desired that no practicing be done except in soft soled shoes as the hard soles are damaging to the floor.

The Zoology class have been studying the spider. The sophomore class in physics are reviewing the semester's work.

The pictures ordered for the Latin and history classes have arrived and are being put up in Miss Carpenter's room.

The Basketball girls are diligently practicing. Their coach reports them as starting out very well.

Frances Williams and Torsten Flicsburg have been the only absentees in High School this week.

The intermediate grade teachers' meeting was held in the High school building on Monday of this week. Miss Silverman, the English teacher in High school, was present and gave some very helpful suggestions as to the method of handling composition in the lower grades. Mr. Tiedgen also spoke of the necessity of laying special emphasis on oral and written expression in these grades.

The next general teachers' meeting will be held the first week after the holiday vacation.

First Grade.
Come little people and listen here While I tell you of Santa and his reindeer; How he comes flying down to the snowy ground In the dead of night when there's not a sound; And in great big books, on his library shelf, There's the names of boys and girls like yourself. But for each bad deed that is done From his list of presents he strikes off one; So look out for the things you do and say If you want a Merry Christmas day.

Christmas time, the children's time, is here, and all interest is centered in Santa Claus and things Christmasy. Santa Claus appears in many guises. He is cut of paper and colored, drawn on the blackboard, and even the children themselves are miniature Santa Clauses, making gifts and cards for friends at home.

There will be a Christmas tree and program Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock to which all parents and friends are invited.

The following program will be presented:
Christmas Carol—School.
Recitation—By nine boys.
Little Miss Muffet—Callista Walter.
"Twas the Night Before Xmas—Stann Magnus.
Telling Dolly, (song)—Twelve girls.

Diptych on Santa Claus—Maybelle McLaughlin.
Sing a Song of Xmas—Frederic Headland.
Recitation—Mabel's Ho-Ho-man.
Song—"The Air is Full of Mystery"—School.
Recitation—Lawrence Koontz.
Just "fore Christmas—Belton Kammerer.
Wonderful Old Santa Claus—Lillian Johnson.
Song—School.
What Shall Dolly Have for Xmas—Elizabeth Jones.
Recitations—By Alton Woodell, Paula Dalton, Adeline Gardner, Louisa Connor, Nina Lakta, Eva Haynes, Leola Howard, Frederick Dyer and Maudie Conkling.
"There's a Wonderful Tree (song)—School.

Second and Third Grades.
Among those who were absent this week are Wayne Gosney, Pearl Lapp, Elry Haynes.

lets for language and spelling. Among those who did good work are Johnnie Mirrasoul, Geneva Gosney, Helen Colgan, Arthur Johnson.

The Third grade made holly booklets for spelling.

Construction work consisted of Santa Claus, the camels and the wise men, in paper cutting.

Painting work consisted of winter scenes, holly sprays and wreaths and the fir tree. Those who did good work this week are: Wayne Gosney, Reuben Sanquist, Kelley Walp, Cecil LaChapelle, William Kreitzer, Whitford Hall, Orrin Bonebrake Beatrice Carlson.

Third and Fourth Grades.

Great excitement is being aroused this week by the Christmas preparations. The language work centers around Christmas stories, descriptions of Christmas in other lands and letters to Santa. The drawing of names for the interchanging of presents made all the children eager for the Christmas program.

The program thus far prepared consists of three recitations and a dialogue, "Mother Goose's Christmas" in which nearly all the pupils take part.

The drawing work for this week has been mostly construction and designing work on small Christmas favors to be taken home to the parents—the Third grade covering blotters, the Fourth grade, making small memorandum books.

Fourth and Fifth.
Carol Rahskopf is able to be in school after several weeks' illness. The boys and girls of these grades surprised Miss Striffler with a Christmas postal card shower Thursday morning.

The Fourth grade defeated the Fifth grade in a multiplication table contest Friday.

The pupils of these grades are busy making Christmas presents for their mothers.

Sixth and Seventh.
Madge Yarbrough has not yet returned to school.
Ethel Haynes was absent two days this week.

Christmas preparations are progressing well in both grades.

The Sixth and Seventh grades are preparing for the spelling contest that is to occur after the holidays.

Myrtle Nelson was absent one-half day from the Seventh grade.

Eighth Grade.
In a grammar test given in the A division on Wednesday, Dorothy Horton, Herbert Bradley, Stella Jutstrom, Oliver Johnson and Alice Josephson handed in very good papers.

In a B division geography test, Nellie Warwick, Glenn Rahskopf, Eva Hansen, William Horsfall, handed in good papers.

Jens Hansen, Lucy Bonebrake, and Anna Russell were absent this week on account of illness.

The B division in arithmetic are studying mensuration and in history are studying the tariff.

The A division in history are studying the civil war, and are much interested in supplemental work being given in arithmetic.

CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS.
The primary pupils are working hard preparing for Christmas.

First Grade.

The pupils are delighted with their little red spelling blanks with Santa Claus covers. As a result, they have perfect lessons.

They are weaving mats in red and green which will be made into cornucopias for Christmas candles.

Second Grade.
Maudie Stutsman, Mabel Kong, Fred Coleman, Edna Rees, Pearl Therrlault, Marlon Horsfall, and Hannah Kulju are doing excellent work in muscular movement penmanship.

Maudie Stutsman and Mabel Kong use the muscular movement in all their written work. It has become a habit with them. None of these children has ever used pen and ink before.

All the children are doing excellent work in arithmetic and reading. In arithmetic they know their combinations perfectly and can add and subtract very rapidly. In reading they have finished their readers and have also read "Mother Goose Sto-

ries," and "Sunbonnet Babies' Primer." Now, they are reading "Work That is Play." They read the stories in this reader and while reading, produce the plays. These stories are very interesting to the children and each one is anxious to take part. In this way they learn to express themselves better than they could be taught in any other way.

Edgar Mauzey and Maudie Stutsman make excellent actors.

Third Grade.
The pupils were much interested on Thursday when they had a live Guinea pig to study from for nature work.

The Third grade Christmas program will be as follows:
Song, Santa Claus—Class.
Recitation, Hard Times For George—Theodore Daly.

Dialogue, A Plan that Failed—Characters: Walter Carlile, Thomas Crosthwait.

Recitation, A Christmas Secret—Olga Holm.
Solo, Jolly Old Santa Claus—Louise Gidley.

Recitation, Don't Fret Little Boy—Stella Erickson.
Christmas Lullaby—Alice Flanagan.

Physical training—Class.
Christmas Thought—Class.
Recitation, Trouble in the Doll House—Leotta Smith.

Recitation, Santa Claus—Bessie Thomas.
Recitation, Christmas Bells—Evelyn Fourler.

Christmas Candles—Characters: Candles, twelve boys; firefly, Robert Ferguson.
Gem—Effe Porter.

Recitation, Santa in a Flat—Summer Dodge.
Recitation, Overheard at Christmas—Willie Byerly.

Dialogue, The Two Sides—Billions Boy—Ned Patterson. Poor Boy—James Eddy.
Reading, The Log Fire—Jeannette Upton.

Recitation, Kriss Kringle—Florence Flanagan.
C. H. R. I. S. T. M. A. S.
Characters—Four boys, five girls.

Recitation, Poor Santa Claus—Blanche Cople.
Song—Class.

Gertrude Robertson has moved to Ten Mile.

The pupils have made programs as souvenirs for those who visit the room for the Christmas exercise.

The Fourth grade will give a program Christmas.

The Fifth grade pupils are preparing a Christmas program.

Sixth Grade.
The following program will be given:
A Christmas Play—Eight boys and ten girls.
If Santa Claus Was Pa—Arthur Christensen.

Signs of Christmas—Helen Rees.
Soo'n Things at Night—Harold Carlile.

A Christmas Question—Kathryn Horton.
Like Grandma Used to Do—Lloyd LeMieux.

Song, "Long Ago"—School.
The Week Before Christmas—Henrietta Estus.

A Christmas Suggestion—Bert Tribbey.
The Adoration of the Wise Man—Helen Fish.

The Brightest Boy—Wilfred McLate.
The Stockings' Christmas—Marguerite Wiseman.

Santa and the Mouse—Ignatius Chapman.
Song, "Merry, Merry Christmas Bells"—School.

To Every Girl and Boy—Gilbert Johnson.
The Angels' Song—Florence Cox.

A Pan Handler's Christmas—Chester Lenet.
A Song of Christmas—Harry Rice.

Christmas Time—Cecelia Post.
Song, "We Bring Our Gifts"—School.

The pupils who will take part in the drill will wear costumes to represent the different holidays and seasons. They are as follows:
Father Time—Ignatius Chapman.

Spring—Cecelia Post.
Summer—Marguerite Wiseman.

Autumn—Helen Fish.
Winter—Henrietta Estus.

The Herald—George Horsfall.

New Year's Day—Jay Milner.
Lincoln's Birthday—Joe Milner.

Washington's Birthday—Harold Walrath.
April Fool's Day—Bert Tribbey.

Memorial Day—Estella Grant.
Independence Day—Wilfred McLain.

Hallowe'en—Hattie Rehfeld.
Thanksgiving Day—Kathryn Horton.

Labor Day—Lloyd LeMieux.
Commencement Day—Helen Rees.

Valentine Day—Hazel Cook.
Christmas Day—Kathrine Dyer.

Warner Kronquist is putting all the Christmas drawings on the board.

The pupils have made invitations and programs which they will take to their parents. They are now working on calendars and Christmas letters.

Seventh Grade.
The pupils are making postcard albums for Christmas work.

Some excellent Christmas and New Year's greetings are being painted by Jack Merchant, Ursula Farringer, Edith Hawkman, Carl Hagquist, Emma Knorr, Myrtle Lenet and Edna Lando.

The A division is working in partial payments and the B division in land measure.

Thinking OF Christmas



Do you know what this girl is thinking? She is thinking that CHRISTMAS IS NEARLY HERE and wondering what Santa Claus will bring her. Fact. You can tell it from her attitude. It is time you were thinking the same thing, for Christmas is nearly here, and you would better do your shopping soon to avoid the rush. It would be a crime for this child and others like her to be disappointed. She will be a child only once—at least this time—and is entitled to all the happiness youth has to give her. Do your part today lest you forget. To shop early means that you escape the shopgirls, that you buy from a fresh and complete stock, that you are not crushed and manhandled in the crowd, that you will have the thing off your mind and that you can thus remember all your friends.

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