

May Day

For two weeks before that memorable day, May first, queer sounds have been issuing, at any or all parts of the day, from the gymnasium. Alarmed at first, our qualms were soon quieted by the announcement of a May Day program being in a state of preparation by the grade rooms.

It came off on that aforesaid day, May first, with a flourish, and the grade teachers have since been secretly shaking their hands and patting their backs over the success of it. We don't mean to insinuate, of course, that they were the only ones in on the handshaking and back-patting process, for all witnesses heartily agree with them as to its success and told them so in the above mentioned manner, as well as others.

Not often in a month, even tho it be May, does a person witness the brilliant colored "flowers" that flocked all over the gym. All pupils were in costumes of a certain type, and the collection of petals "that clothed these flowers" were of more shades and varieties of a shade than even a box of crayolas.

First, Queen Myrtle, with her attendants, marched to the throne where the crowning of our "serene, illustrious, etc. (to quote the Sophomore classic, "The Tale of Two Cities") queen was crowned. After this, Spring, a representative of the primary room, summoned the flowers, birds, brownies, etc., to "work for their queen." A drill was enacted by them, after which the 6, 7, 8th grade room very successfully wound the May Pole. Next, the intermediate room advanced and presented recitations and songs for the queen's benefit. Lastly, another May Pole was wound by the pupils of the same room.

Not only was the entertainment of interest, but an exhibit was prepared by each room and was on display in the gym. The only part taken by the high school was the exhibit of some of the work done by the manual training class.

The Day of Surprises at Hand

We thot that all this type of surprises were all over and done, for only two were left, and they, we believed, were firmly "set in their ways" and past such forms of frivolity. Surprises do happen, tho, even in this day of impossibilities becoming possible and even probable, and one of the greatest known to Scio high school was hurled upon it when Anna Dolezal, a senior in our worthy institution of education, appeared here on a Monday morning two weeks ago minus the length of hair she has worn all thru her high school life, and so far back as we have known her. Needless to prodism, we were amazed and surprised, but distinctly approving. Anna works much more in her element, or in other words, matches the surrounding scenery much better after this change. We sincerely congratulate her upon taking this drastic (?) but artistic step.

After Anna's bobbed condition has come to pass, only one more of our members, with the exception of Miss Sherty, is in the "unshorn" class. Eunice Crabtree, a freshman, persistently clings to her troublesome mass of hair. After Anna "fell," tho, we have taken new hope. Who can tell? We hope for the best!

All a Mistake!

On a Tuesday morning a few weeks ago, the Stayton professor called our principal and said an unexpected open date had been found for the coming Friday, and we might, if we wished, present our play, "All a Mistake."

A council of war was held by the cast and it was decided to utilize the three days to the utmost extent for practice and present the play in Stayton. This they proceeded to do—all but the last part.

The news reached us Thursday evening that the Stayton professor had made a mistake, and the date was filled. !@P777!shrudi. The expressed sentiment of the cast is best left unprinted in a respectable school paper. They are agreed, tho, that a play with such a name is too true to life for comfort in some cases, and sincerely their advice to other schools is to shun all plays with treacherous-sounding names.

The Annual

We are, as has already been published, to have an annual this year. It will be, according to all indications, a great improvement over that of last year, so if one of these days in the immediate future you see a multitude of determined looking students armed with copies of this book invading the countryside, immediately get out your pocket book and "fork" over the fifty cents required to insure you of a copy of the publication.

All copies written by the students are to be in by May 8, and the printing will start immediately after. The pictures are taken, cuts are made, and most of the advertisements collected, so we're ready to go. It's going to be the best yet, so take the advice offered in the above paragraph and prepare to have the price (50c) on hand.

Senior Class Notes

We are now studying Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," which we find very interesting and also enjoyable.

Bobbie Thayer was absent from school Wednesday, as she was away on business concerning the annual.

We are glad to see Anna Dolezal back at school again after an absence of over a week. She was absent on account of the serious illness of her mother.

We are now practicing our play, which will be given at the end of the school year.

"King Tut" style is still prevalent with one of our members.

Realizing that there are only four weeks of school left, the Seniors are all very industrious. (It's about time!)

Our Latest Publication

It is exceptional, we know, for a school of our size to have two publications, but it is done here. Besides "The Sphinx," a monthly paper, "The Hot Dog" has had two issues printed and with promises for more. It is purely laughable, better than the "Whizzbang," and much more likely to be permitted to be read in school time. Frances Wesley is the ambitious author of this magazine. She deserves to be congratulated.

Only one copy of the paper is written and this mysteriously addressed to "Madame Goat." It has been suggested by some that the name is too intense since warm weather started in, that it be changed to "Warm Pup."

Freshmen Class Notes

There are five Freshmen out for baseball, and each one is working his hardest to make a winning team.

We are also working to help get out a good annual for the school.

One of our members (we're not mentioning any names, but you'll find him mostly in the comic column) wears an attractive red tie which seems to please the girls eyes, for they're always looking at it.

Baseball Games

The game to be played here last Friday, May 1, was called off by Jefferson, but a substitute of that game was scheduled for May 8. A game has been won by each team, so the one yet to be played should be unusually close. The first game, one at Jefferson, was a decided defeat for the SHS boys, 14 to 4, while the second game had a score of 3 to 2 in Scio's favor. A marked improvement on "our gang's" part was evidenced, and if the good work continues the victory for Scio should be marked.

The first game with Tangent was held on Thayer's field on Friday, April 23. The game was the closest and most interesting played by the boys up to that time this season. The final score had only one point of difference, 7 to 8, but in favor of Tangent. The boys showed improvement in passing especially and the batting was also better. Control, and then only slightly, was lost during one inning, but otherwise it went very fast. The lineup as it was at this game will probably remain, or with only slight variations, the rest of the season.

Scio won their second game this year on May 1, when Jefferson called off the game, and as a result the boys played a pickup town team, with the result of a hard battle and close victory for our boys.

The other victory was an unscheduled affair on the day of our school picnic. It "took the grapes," for in the five inning game a 3 to 2 score resulted. Why schedule games and prepare for them? These spontaneous and unexpected sort seem to be more successful, so let's do them all that way!

A Picnic

The high school picnic of April 30 at Jefferson was a grand success. About 9 o'clock a. m. Thursday the bunch started for Jefferson in a truck and three cars. The girls furnished the lunch and the boys the transportation. Upon arriving at Camp Santiam, which is just across the bridge at Jefferson, the "bunch" unpacked and began to explore.

Before the lunch the boys indulged in a little baseball, and then kindly permitted the "red hot" girls' teams to play a few innings.

The lunch was delicious; so good, in fact, that after the meal scarcely a crumb remained. In the afternoon the boys' team played a game of ball with Jefferson, and at the end of the game the score stood 3 to 2 in favor of Scio—their first victory! In the evening, a weinie roast was held, after which the participants retraced the road for home along with the memories of an enjoyable day. Many were glad to have another day of slumber on Friday. (P. S.—We're not mentioning the "after effects.")

Good (?) Candy

The D. S. girls, for one week, made candy each day. It looked and smelled delicious, and by the girls' testimonies, it was. Such dry classes as medieval and modern history and higher arithmetic, held in the D. S. period, were only intensified in their poedominating element when the smell of various kinds of candy drifted into the rooms. It seems someone must have been desperate and tried to get revenge for this torment, for one day the girls found the candy, left in the desks, missing. This practice was kept up until one day the girls fixed a special "batch" with red pepper and soda, set it in the most frequently visited desk and awaited developments. Several wry faces were made that noon, and needless to add, the D. S. girls have been enjoying the candy themselves since then.

Did You Know That

The boys won two ball games? The planned presentation of "All a Mistake" in Stayton was all a mistake? We had a school picnic? It was "mobs" of fun? We had to be told the next day that we'd had the picnic yesterday? The students formerly in the assembly room first period now attend Geometry class? The Annual is coming slowly but surely? The May Day program was the best yet? The Scio-Jefferson game was postponed? McKenzie has a new girl since the picnic? If you don't, read this issue of the Sphinx and you'll find out.

Baptist Church Notes

Sunday school at 10 o'clock every Sunday morning. Everybody is invited to attend. Christian Endeavor every Sunday evening at 7:00. Prayer meeting every Saturday night at 8:00.

News From Lyons.

May 11

Albert Guier returned to Lyons Sunday after visiting his mother the past week.

A. Ring is having a bedroom addition built to his house. Mr. Smith is doing the carpenter work.

Mrs. Elmer Hiatt and daughter of Salem were week-end visitors at the Alex Bodeker home.

Dellis Westenhous made a business trip to Scio Friday.

Mrs. George Colby is in Mill City nursing her mother, who underwent an operation at the Mill City hospital last week.

Jim Berry spent the week-end at the U. S. Berry home.

Marion Forrest was a caller at J. H. Johnston's Monday morning.

Mrs. Jack Johnston returned home Saturday, after being at the home of an aunt in Stayton the past two weeks.

The Fox Valley school closed Monday with the exception of the 8th grade exams.

The Formalities.

Exhausted Channel Swimmer (wading to shore)—I have just swum from England.

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When at times we sit and ponder
On the lessons life has taught,
When we pause to count the blessings
That experience has brought,
There's a certain joyful moment
That we always shall recall
With delightful recollection
As the happiest of all.

Since that day the skies are brighter;
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Flowers breathe a sweeter fragrance;
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