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EDITORIAL—

Christmas bells have been changed to school bells for us now, but even though the latter are a little more subdued, they need not be less cheerful.

We hear much about 'a new year—a new page—a new start'. In spite of the seeming triteness of this, the customs which have become traditions and the expressions which have become proverbs are the ones which have lasted because of their worth. Isn't that sufficient justification, if justification is needed, for us to start once more at the new year and the new semester with the highest aims, and even a few "resolutions"?

Each year, without doubt, some of us say "What's the use?" The high resolves never outlast the holiday spirit which prompts them. And again, some say "This year it shall be different." Those who try to do something and fail are infinitely

better than those who try to do nothing and succeed. Whether or not this year is different in the extent to which achievements are made and standards are raised depends on every one of us individually, as well as on the school unit. Frank Crane has said, "Your sole contribution to the sum of things is yourself." With this in mind "Happy New Year."—A. M.
—N. H. S.—

EDITORIAL—

1938 has come upon us so quietly that it seems impossible that a year has come and gone since 1937 came in a new year. It was a year filled to the brim with fun, laughs, and victories. We hate to see 1937 go, because it was such a good year.

We saw the graduating class of '37 receive their honors and start on new things.

We bought our public address system for the student body. We found new acting talent in the plays "Romance in a Boarding House" and "Prize Pig."

We watched the number of students in Nyssa high school grow from 189 to 288 and were proud to see new improvements on our school grounds.

We saw the birth of our band and glee clubs and the organization of the Girls' League.

We enjoyed many successful dances and parties, and we watched many victorious basketball and football games.

This fall we found new teachers on the faculty and by now we have tried them and found them good.

We've laughed at many things: at tricks on teachers, at school romances, at school fights and just to express our good will and enjoyment.

We have added to our knowledge. (I hope)

But now 1937 is just a memory so let's put it behind us and resolve to make 1938 a grand and glorious year.
—N. H. S.—

NYSSA LOSES TO PARMA—

Nyssa lost the third basketball game of the year to Parma on Tuesday evening December 31. The final score was 21 to 31. The second team, however, won their game, with a score of 23 to 12.

Practice started the Monday after Christmas. The Nyssa team played the CCC boys three nights and won each time. Thursday night Nyssa played the alumni, but lost a very close game. Several of the high school players were out.

The next conference game will be with Weiser, on the Weiser floor, next Saturday night.
—N. H. S.—

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT OF PAPER—

A change has been made in the management of the school paper. Last semester Mrs. Young's Senior English class edited the "Junior Journal." This semester it was taken over by Miss Morris' senior English class. Several changes are to be made in the different types of articles sent in to the paper by this group, who hope to make it fully as interesting as it was last semester.
—N. H. S.—

NEW STUDENTS—

Eight new students registered in high school the first day of the new semester. They are: Velma Fox, junior, Lathrop (Missouri) high school; William Holly, junior, Adrian; Eu-Vada Poulson, sophomore, Delco, Idaho; Marjorie Gahon, senior, Berkeley high school, Berkeley, California; Bob Madden, sophomore, Ontario; Clifford Wolfe, freshman, and Irvin Wolfe, sophomore, Elwood high school, Elwood, Nebraska; Chester Council, freshman, White grade school, Colorado.

SPANISH TRAILS—

Book Review by Jimmy Savage
"Spanish Trails" was written to let the people know and appreciate the pioneer spirit which the Spanish people had and used in migrating to California. It explains in detail most of characteristics of the people and the enemies they made.

The first part of the book is devoted to people in Spain. Explanation of the King and the way he ruled, of what caused the downfall of Spain, and of many other interesting things was given. The last part told of the actual moving to California, and the hardships encountered.

The author, T. De La Roche, knew the Spanish people and lived among them. He used many accurate histories of their famous writers. Critics have pronounced the book as one well worth reading. The author has really shown the people that all of the Spanish people were not bad.

It is a good book to read, especially now, because the Spanish War of Rebellion is in progress at the present writing of the book.
—N. H. S.—

CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTIES—

Each class ended the semester Wednesday afternoon with a Christmas party. The peanuts were the chief motif of the Sophomore party—at least, one was led to believe so, judging by the two-inch layer of shells on the floor afterward. The Sophomores played games and had a "grab bag," from which many amusing presents appeared. The class surprised Miss Morris, the advisor, with a lovely set of comb, brush and mirror. Refreshments consisted of the peanuts and "all-day suckers," supplemented by a great deal of noise.

The Juniors varied the usual "grab bag" with some most startling and "jumpy gifts," presented by Luella Lueck, a realistic Santa Claus Bags of candy and nuts made up their refreshments. The Junior class gave Miss Martin, their advisor, a beautiful dresser set.

The Freshmen and Senior parties were similar to the others. Mr. Holenberg, the Senior advisor, and Mr. Parr, the Freshman advisor, were presented with shaving sets. Peanuts again predominated at the Freshman party and the grab bag at the Senior event.
—N. H. S.—

AROUND SCHOOL—

Elbert Fretwell taking a big drink from faucet that is dry.
Most of the students sleepy and tired after vacation, which makes us think they might not have had a vacation after all.

Freshmen running Coach out of room when he attempts to lecture to them about throwing peanuts.
A number of pupils filling into office to patch up incompletes and lives so kindly given.

Several of the students starting the New Year right by getting in at three o'clock Saturday morning.

Ted Morgan has that lonesome look again—I wonder.

Where was Bill Kurtz on New Year's eve?
Santa Claus brought Ellen McConnell a new permanent.

Why is it necessary for Edward Boydell and Dorothy Jensen to be out every night?
One of our old "standbys" Flora Newton, has deserted the good old Nyssa high.

Margaret Winters detecting disagreeable odor in her locker.
Stick around at noon and "watch these school romances spread."
A few petty quarrels existing between

some of the girls in the upper classes.

Joyce Ashcraft not having anything to say in English.

A number of new students enrolling. I wonder what attracts them?
—N. H. S.—

FEATURE—

Two Dutchmen came to America to continue the very prosperous business they conducted in the old country. They thought they could do to same in America, but found customs and ways were so different here, they had much difficulty in making a success of their undertaking. They soon made up their minds to sell their business. They tried to sell it to every customer that came in. They would tell what a wonderful business they were doing and tried in all ways to get rid of their business.

One day a man came in and the Dutchman began telling of their money making business. The young man said, "I would like to know just what you value this at?" The Dutchman replied, "Oh! about tree-thousand dollars." "So much as that?" replied the gentleman. "I wouldn't think."

"Yah, Yah, the dutchman replied, 'tree thousand, dot nod mooch.' 'Well if that is so,' said the man, 'I think I will have to collect \$500 from you in taxes for your business.'"

One Dutchman asked, "Who are you, anyhow?"

The man answered, "I am the tax collector who are you?"

"Well," the Dutchman said, "I am a biggest dam liar in sis county."
—N. H. S.—

A WET STREET AT NIGHT—

The lamp at the corner of the street made it look as if there were a thousand mirrors on the street, reflecting the bright stars. Every electric light reflected itself in a shimmering light on the dark, shiny pavement. Cars moved slowly on the slippery street, and their lights showed silver beads dropping to the pavement, shattering to thousands of glistening fragments and dissolving into dark pools. It was a cool evening and the rain was one of those consisting of large, warm drops—a rain that seemed to cleanse the world and leave everyone refreshed.
—N. H. S.—

JOKES—

"What are you doing there?" asked an officer as he walked up to Jack McKee, who was lying at the curb. "Are you drunk?"

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Laura S. to Huston W.: Gosh, I just played that one.
—N. H. S.—

Harold Holmes: Well, Ole, have you done your algebra?
Harold Olsen: No, my brother was too tired to do it last night.
—N. H. S.—

A minister was holding a testimonial meeting. A negro lady had the floor, "Ma 'ligion sho am a comfort to me."
"Tell me," said the minister, "does your religion make you sweet and cheerful in your home?"
The minister felt a tugging at his sleeve and turned to see a negro man crouching by his side, "Press dem questions, preacher, press dem questions."
—N. H. S.—

Mr. Young (standing at the front of the room) "All the pupils who know nothing please stand. Huston Wilson, the star pupil, stood up.
Mr. Young: "Why are you standing up, Huston?"
Huston: "I hated to see you stand up alone."
—N. H. S.—

U. OF O. BUSINESS STUDY WINS NATIONAL ACCLAIM

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 5.—The answer to a vital question facing business today, "Why Retail Selling Breaks Down," is answered by the editors of "Retailing," a nationally known merchandising publication published in New York, with acts and statistics taken from a study entitled "Relative Efficiency of 501 Salespeople in Oregon," a project carried out by Dr. N. H. Tomish and a group of students in the University of Oregon school of business administration.

The article, printed in the December 22 issue of the magazine, especially indicts department stores, where salespeople score lower in efficiency than employees in other shops. Tests included "favorable approaches," "adequate knowledge of stock," "effectively answering objections," and "effective closing of sale."

The survey, so far as known the first of its kind ever carried out, is highly praised by Earl W. Elhart, editor of the executive section of "Retailing."

ADRIAN NEWS
ELLEN McCONNELL

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Gaviola and baby daughter Joan, were here visiting friends. They formerly lived at Woodburn, Oregon and they are now going to live at Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Parker are the proud parents of an 8 pound 10 ounce baby boy born January 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marker and daughter Dolores were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McConnell.

The Bill Ashcraft home was the scene of a family reunion on New Years day, those there were: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Drown and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ashcraft and son Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nelson and daughter Betty of Nampa, Mrs. Celeste Zink and Mrs. Amanda Ashcraft.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Holly and son Buddy were New Years dinner guests of the Charles McConnells.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Dan Holly were in Boise on business last week. Mrs. Gerrit Muntjewerff and baby daughter are on the sick list this week.

Walter McPortland returned here Sunday evening after spending the

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