

Trojan Topics

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HOMEMAKERS BUSY



Have you seen a new face around school? It was probably Miss Van Fossan, a student teacher. She will be working with Mrs. Wagenblast till the end of May when she will go back to Oregon State and graduate. Miss Van Fossan was born in Lonestar, Texas and now lives in Toledo, Oregon. Writing is a major interest along with music. She said, "It is a kind of hobby or game of mine to listen to a piece of music and try to guess something about the composer." The main goal in her life is to try to do something for the people she meets.

More news from the homemaking classes is that on April 4, 9, 12, 16, 18, and 23 there will be approximately 17, three, four and five year olds attending something like a kindergarten at the Junior High. The ninth grade girls will be observing and playing with the children. Mrs. Wagenblast and Miss Van Fossan will be supervising, but the girls will serve as the children's teachers. The girls will take turns entertaining and writing about them.

This playschool will serve as a graded project for ninth grade home ec classes. It is to give them experience with younger children and to teach them how to cope with emergencies and other occurrences that may require experienced help.

Coming Events

Senior High Registration.....April 15
April 17
 Clash Day.....April 17
 Report Cards.....April 25
 Forestry Day.....April 30
 Mother's Day Tea.....May 17
 Dress-Up DayMay 17



Above is the visiting McMinnville band pictured in concert at the Junior High.

"TIME WILL TELL"

A recent assignment in Mr. Snyder's freshman art class revealed an artistic talent that really surprised everyone. Mr. Snyder, as a class project, assigned the job of making up a Time (New York Magazine) cover. The idea given for these covers was done on current events of the world. Some ideas that came up were "Charles DeGaulle" by Ricky Woldeit, "Christian Dior" by Sheila Grogan, "Heart Transplant" by Richard Staff, and "Overpopulation" by Bonnie Tullock. These four covers we sent to Time headquarters in New York and were returned with comments such as "Mr. Snyder must be delighted to have such an imaginative pupils!" and one we're all proud of, "We found Bonnie's cover on "Overpopulation" particularly captivating."

The letter and the four covers are being displayed in the glass display case between rooms 19 and 20 for anyone who is interested.



Pictured above are Bonnie Tullock, Sheila Grogan, and Rick Woldeit. Not pictured is Richard Staff.

Bands Travel

On Thursday, April 4, an exchange assembly was presented by the McMinnville Junior High School band. We call this an exchange assembly because on April 11, our Advanced Junior High Band provided entertainment for the McMinnville Junior High student body.

Dates Of Interest

Wednesday, April 17, is the date selected as Clash Day. This is also the 1st home baseball game for the Trojans. They will play Gardiner of Oregon City.

Clash Day, when clothes that don't match are worn, is to try to promote spirit for the Trojans.

May 17, Friday, will be Dress-Up Day. This is also the day of the Mother's Tea presented by the 7th, 8th, and 9th grade Home Ec classes. The girls will model their Home Ec projects in presence of their mothers.

Dress-Up Day is when everybody dresses up to look nice.

ANNUAL ON SCHEDULE

The Journalism Staff would like to congratulate the Annual Staff for making its final deadline on the preparation of the annual. Everyone will be overjoyed to hear that the 1967-1968 Trojan Torch will be put out as scheduled around the middle or end of May.

Chorus Sings

The Junior High Advanced Chorus sang a few select pieces of music for the PTA on April 8.

BEWARE!

Freshmen, beware! Be on your best behavior because your teachers are looking around for candidates for the outstanding freshmen boy and girl. These awards are based on character, three-year school activities, leadership, and academic achievement. This is a great honor since it is not based on one thing but many important items. You can be sure the people who are awarded these titles will have very successful lives. So shape up, freshmen. Stand up straight and tall, for even if you don't get the award you'll be a better person for the effort.

GARDEN CLUB CAPERS

Face Room 13. Turn to your left. Walk ten paces forward. Open the door. Walk five paces. Turn to your left. Look straight ahead.

You are now looking at this year's Garden Club project. These flowers, shrubs, and bushes were planted here by the Garden Club. The plants were bought with money awarded to them by Richfield.

The project was just recently completed and a dedication ceremony took place on March 18. The first and second semester student body officers were present at the dedication along with Mr. DeLashmutt, Mr. Hornaday, and Mrs. Alvin Larson, chairman of the project.

Making our school a nicer place to attend, this beautification program has been greatly appreciated.

THE TOPICS TEAM



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Is Your Participle Dangling?

Mrs. Mason's ninth grade English classes were instructed to create sentences with dangling participles. These sentences usually convey a different meaning than intended. Here are a few of the more humorous ones:

Jumping over the hurdles, Jack's glasses were broken. D.L.
Wearing a black wig, her blonde eyelashes looked out of place. D.R.

Having no knowledge of American botany, the strawberry was a stranger to the new citizens. C.T.

Having a bad temper, the window was smashed by John. C.C.
The boys noticed the dead body, walking to school. S.G.

We saw an elephant, driving home after the party. S.J.
Running a mile, the sweat ran down his face. J.L.

She saw a safety pin, bending over during her exercises. K.S.
Knowing the answer, my hand was raised. S.S.

The boy listened to the radio, snapping his fingers. B.T.
Hurrying down the hall, the principal stopped him. C.C.

Bursting with laughter, the cat tickled Mike's toes with her tongue. B.M.

The men on the boat looked at the fish, wearing the red sweat shirts. T.M.

Sitting on a lily pad, John saw a frog. C.C.

Soaring through the sky, the cow was spotted. L.D.

Climbing up the ladder, the hog was seen by the boys. S.G.

Speaking in Spanish, our dog barked at her. J.K.

Oinking and splashing, I saw a pig in his mud puddle. C.P.

The cowboy was admiring the cow, riding the horse. N.W.

Crawling up the wall, the lady swatted the fly. B.C.

Being only two years old, the man couldn't understand her. S.T.

Knowing little about math, Einstein puzzled me. N.A.

Paper Passion

I love the paper:
I think it's swell.
On that certain day
I run pell mell,
To get my copy
And read each line.
The stories and columns
I think are fine.
I laugh at the jokes;
I read about the lads.
I note all the news;
I take up the fads.
When I praise the paper,
I scorn those who laugh.
I'm really most loyal---
I'm on the staff!
(Borrowed)

MINIS ON THE MOVE



You should see the ones we couldn't print!



In this day of minis and maxis, our school has taken to the shorter side. The Topics staff has become increasingly concerned about the length of the skirts and dresses.

It is felt that the short skirts distract students from their work. Also there is the problem of trying to sit like a lady instead of a ranch hand. Let's face it, there is nothing beautiful about girdles or nylon tops. Another aspect is that only a small per cent of the girls who wear them have suitable figures.

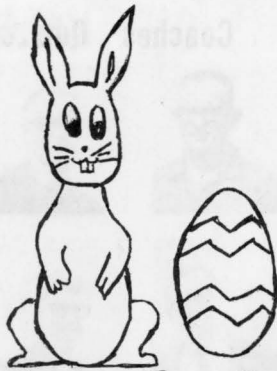
It is a proven fact that short skirts in cold weather make legs fat. This is because the body builds up fat to protect itself from the cold.

Can you see yourself in the above pictures? Think about it, and if the skirt fits, wear it.

Holiday Messages

A custom during Easter in England is to color eggs and give them to close friends with messages on them. If this procedure was customary in America there may be some Easter eggs going around the school with these messages:

From Donna Ross to Mr. McQuary,
"Today's my birthday. Honest!"
To Laurie Fenk,
"Your epidermis is showing"
From Mr. Hornaday to Sherry Elder
"Happy Easter, Goldie"
From Leola Wilson to Mr. Quigley,
"You can't flunk me. I'm trying"
From Mrs. Mason to her students,
"Your participle is dangling"
From Mr. Nesland to Jean Rogers,
"Will you speak a little louder"
From Mrs. Bartlett to the staff,
"Are we going to have a paper?"
From the staff to our readers,
"Have a happy, happy Easter!"



Bunny Eggs?

Have you ever wondered why we color eggs at Easter time or just what the rabbit has to do with Easter? Through our natural curiosity we came up with the following information.

One legend is that during a famine, a poor woman dyed some eggs and hid them in a nest as an Easter gift for her children. Just as they found the nest a big rabbit leaped by. The story spread that the rabbit brought the eggs. Colored eggs and rabbits have come from pagan symbols of new life. Eggs also represent the new life which returns to nature at Easter time. The Egyptians and Persians often dyed eggs in bright colors and gave them to their friends. The Persians believed that the earth had hatched from a giant egg.

Early Christians were the first to use colored eggs for Easter. In some European countries, eggs were dyed red to symbolize the joy of resurrection. In England, friends often wrote messages and dates on the eggs they exchanged. Elaborate candy eggs with a window in one end and tiny scenes inside were popular in the 1880's.

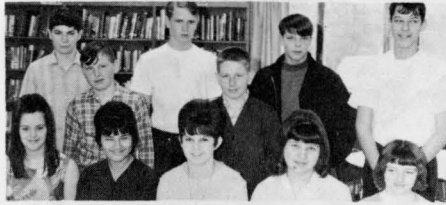
In ancient Egypt the rabbit symbolized birth and new life. Some ancient people considered the rabbit the symbol of the moon and it may later have become a symbol of Easter because the moon determines the date of Easter.

MYSTERY GIRL



Our 7th grade mystery girl is 5'2" tall with green eyes and brown hair. Her favorite food is spaghetti. The Monkees is her favorite T.V. show and group. "Love Is All Around" is her favorite song. Some of her dislikes are spinach, "The Flying Nun," "Yesterday," and the Beatles.

INTRODUCING...



Has our school suddenly become so popular? It certainly appears so with the flock of new students swarming into it!

Jerry Callan is one of the new 7th graders from Tacoma, Washington. Jerry thinks model cars are a great hobby, and his favorite subject is Social Studies.

From Glendive, Montana we have Virginia Frye, a 7th grade student. Riding horses and reading take up her leisure time. Her favorite subject is PE.

Still another new 7th grader is Mike Hennessy from Medford, Oregon. Not only does he enjoy working on model cars but also on real automobiles. He finds Math his favorite subject.

Robert Hastings also in 7th grade, enjoys girl watching and hot rods for his hobbies. For his favorite subject he chose shop. He came to St. Helens from Portland.

Mrs. Bartlett is his favorite teacher according to Larry Leininger, a new boy from Scappoose. He is in the 7th grade and enjoys all sports and he likes this school.

Chorus and Mrs. Golding are favorites with Kathy Cowdrey. She's an 8th grader from Retaluma, California. She enjoys writing as a hobby.

David Killens, an 8th grader likes to play basketball. His favorites are Mr. Mueller, Mr. Price and English.

From Portland came Frances Doddroe. Her comment of our school was, "It's better than the high school I was at before." Her favorite subject in the 9th grade is chorus and she likes Mr. Shrock. Her hobby is skiing.

Fishing and hunting are hobbies of Rex Beach of Kalama, Washington. He thinks this school and the people are real nice. Shop and Mr. Price are his favorites.

From Alice, Texas comes Rita Chavez, a 9th grader. She thinks our school is pretty good. For her favorite subject she chose Home Ec.

Shop is 9th grade Gordon McWhirter's favorite subject. His hobbies include boating, horseback riding, and football.

Judy Lovell, from Moclips Senior High School, is interested in music. She's a 9th grader. Mr. Dent and math are her favorites.

Roger Ackley is a new 7th grader.

Liz's Dream

St. Helens Junior High has been a scene of great havoc the past week. All faculty members have declared they will not return to their positions until the school board agrees to meet their terms. When asked what were the terms, faculty spokesman, Mr. Robert Dent replied, "As teachers of today, we feel entitled to the following: First, enlarged faculty quarters containing ping-pong tables and equipment, indoor track, whirlpool bath, sauna, and exercise equipment. 2. Seat belts installed in all students' desks, with control panel located on teacher's desk. 3. Mouth flaps which will be used to limit sound coming from student's vocal cords."

Members of faculty are said to have been seen throwing various rotten fruits and vegetables into and through class room doors and windows. When questioned about this charge, faculty members quickly denied it, even though traces of rotten tomato were observed on Mr. Hornaday's suit and face.

Many students were interviewed and asked their opinions on the strike. One student, Linda Coleman, stated, "I didn't really mind the strike too much until yesterday, when I was innocently standing at my locker. Before I knew it, I had been hit over the head with a picket sign carried by Mrs. Heckman. It was just awful. I was forced to march down the halls during 4b singing protest songs with the faculty. Luckily I managed to escape during 6th period." Another student, Kevin Iverson made this comment, "I was on my way to the cafeteria when I was mobbed by four faculty members trying to start a riot in the lunch line! Iverson stated that he had six years of karate training, but said that it was not necessary at the time.

Another peace talk between the faculty and the school board has been scheduled for Friday.

Submitted by Liz Zeschin

MYSTERY BOY



Cauliflower, Batman, the Animals, and "The Scappoose Pow Wow Song" are the 7th grade Mystery Boy's dislikes. This Mystery person has brown hair and eyes, is 5'1½" tall, and weighs 90 pounds. His favorites are chicken, Star Trek, and the Monkees.



Coaches Quiz



Mr. Quigley and Mr. Hornaday, seventh and eighth track coaches are turning out many individual stars. For seventh grade, John Watson and Steve Nelson are showing promising qualities. Bob Phillips, Greg Fischer, and Dan Durbin are the best middle distance runners for the eighth grade.

Baseball season this year looks pretty good for our mighty Trojans. The coach, Mr. Whittick feels that the toughest teams to beat will be West Linn, Lake Oswego, and McMinnville. However, the Trojans will probably pull through victoriously.

The optimistic coach thinks that the school can count on the pitching staff of Lew Mason, Ron Wagner, and Mike Freytag as being one of the best in the school's history. He said so far in the practices the fielders have shown good individual capacities, but being early in the season, it's hard to tell about the batting situation.

All in all, they have a good potential, but the rest depends on their will to win.

With a beaming smile, and an air of confidence, Mr. Nesland told our sports reporter a few facts which give our track boys a pre-season pat-on-the-back.

First of all, we come to the area in sports which can be referred to as team incentive. Team incentive is very high, scoring one point for our track men.

Scoring point two for our boys is the area of ability and toughness. Again in the words of track coach, Mr. Nesland, "The only team that has a chance is Gardiner."

The third point raised by our trackmen is the outstanding display of sportsmanship shown by our guys. Some of the boys who stand out most in their areas in track are:

Sprints... Jack Williard
 Distance Running... John Beck
 Hurdling... Chris Knudsen
 Pole Vaulting... Craig Sigler
 The last point scored for the team is the point scored by YOU. Beck our trackmen as much as you can and Mr. Nesland's boys will have the season he is expecting.

On March 8, the Awards Assembly honored boys participating in our winter sports season.

Eighth grade Lancer first-string letter awards were presented by Coach Nesland to Greg Fischer, Jeff Tomlin, Gary Barger, Jerry Fast, Alan Thackery, Bruce Erlandson, Mike Eaton, and last but not least, Albert Adams. Second-string awards went to Mike Paulson, Tim Wilson, John Stermer, Tom Cade, Mark Montgomery, David Flori, David Nickolson, and Rick Miles.

For seventh-grade Buccaneers. Leonard Mason, Lynn Lumley, Scott Clark, Tom Barker, Tim Sauls, Richard Russell, Rex Murray, Mike McCain, and Bruce Kneeland got first-string awards. Second-string awards went to Dorian Wilbert, Pete Gonzales, Ronnie Rods, and Steve Kondrasky. This team boasts a tie for first place with Rainier, winning six, losing two. Mr. Young was their coach.

For eighth-grade Bucs Coach Shrock presented Jim Patterson, Don McGosky, Dan Durbin, Sam Brock, John Heller, Kent Kneeland, and Gary Edwards first-string awards while Dennis Minsent, Randy Elder, Jim Peterson, Dean Goss, Bill Vart, and Rick Crandall were awarded second-string letters.

Mr. Fargo's seventh-grade first-string Lancers were Mark Bailey, Mike Bendio, Tommy Kremen, Ken Stansbury, Mark Werner, and John Watson. Pat Barnes, Jim

Beck, Lonnie Eddings, Jim Cortler, Vern Runyon, and Rocky Therman won second-string awards.

Freshmen basketball first-string awards went to Chris Knudsen, John Beck, Lew Mason, Ron Wagner, Jim Minyard, Tim Olson, Dale Oester, Ed Strehlou, and Manager Mike Waldron. B team awards went to Jack Williard, Bob Cade, Mike O'Grady, Bill Miller, Jeff Carpenter, Bill Kremen, Mike Freytag, Alan Frazier, and Matt Piepkorn.

Seventh and eighth wrestling letter awards went to George Jauron, Mike Ostoj, Mike Miller, Robert Massey, Don Norrington, Steve Messinger, Norman Patton, Mike Peterson, Keith Judkins, Lance Lemont, Bob Phillips, Dave Schmor, Terry Riggs, Waldo Sittingdown, Duane Walrod, Mike Coddington, Jim Fischer, Dave Hansen, Bruce Holz, Randy Von Allmen, and John Schmit. Their coach was Mr. Pitts.

Freshmen wrestling first-string letter awards presented by Mr. McQuary were to Stan Mendenhall, Terry Kjornes, Craig Sigler, Neil Wilburn, Pat Hack-

worth, Dan Stewart, Don Housley, Marion Johnston, Tom Linhares, Don Wagner, Dale Dewey, Steve Allison, Steve Peterson, Jim Linhares, and managers, Mike Barnes and Paul Nelson. Second-string awards went to Mike Russell, Steve Coddington, Linden Watkins, Gordon Olson, Clifford Austin, John Mueleck, Mike Madden, Tom Finney, and Cliff Nelson.

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Coming Spring Sports

Baseball

April 10 7-8-9 at Gardiner
 April 17 9th only with Newberg and Tigard (Here)
 April 10 7-8-9 at Gardiner
 April 17 9th only with Newberg and Tigard (Here)
 April 17 7-8 at Newberg
 April 25 9th only with Waluga and Lake Oswego at Lake Oswego

Track

April 9 with Tigard (There)
 April 10 with Waluga (There)
 April 16 with Gardiner (Here)
 April 19 not scheduled at press time
 April 23 with Dallas (Here)
 April 26 with McMinnville (There)
 April 30 with Lake Oswego (There)
 May 3 with West Linn (Here)