

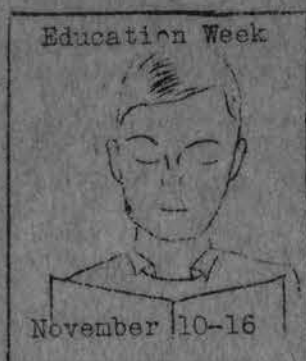


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RAMSEY RAMBLER

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RAMBLER IS WINNER IN STATE PRESS CONTEST

By Nanne Hildebrand

Among the winners in the contest sponsored by the Minnesota High School Press association which were announced at the state meeting held at Hibbing, October 17 to 19, the Ramsey Rambler was awarded second prize in the Duplicated Newspaper class.

E. R. Newstrand, instructor at West high school, Minneapolis, and chairman of the contest committee, announced the winners at the annual banquet Friday evening, October 18.

First place in the Duplicated Newspaper class went to the Princeton Tiger,

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FORTY RAMSEY LIBRARY FANS TO RECEIVE S.H.R. AWARDS

By Bob Mabry

Forty Ramsey children who took advantage of the Minneapolis Public Library's 1940 summer honor reading program will receive certificates issued by Carl A. Vitz, Minneapolis Public Librarian, at an auditorium program Thursday, November 14, when F. D. Lewis, principal of Ramsey, presents them to the winners.

Jean E. Larson, 8B1, 311, Ann Louise Lanzen, 8B3, 211, Violet M. Anderson, 8B4, 203, and Donald F. Swanson, 8A4, 302, will receive large certificates, as they satisfactorily completed the reading for four successive years.

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CALLING ALL RAMSEY LIBRARY FRIENDS

To offset a deficit in the library budget, Carl Vitz, Minneapolis Public Librarian, is considering closing the junior high school branch libraries.

Are not the 1562 pupils at Ramsey citizens of Minneapolis? Closing the library would be a blow to our education. What can we do to keep our excellent library open? Let's ask our dads, mothers, and friends to help. We must act soon!

In a recent letter to junior high school librarians Mr. Vitz said, "The Board has decided to continue operating the Junior High School libraries substantially as in years past during the present calendar year. WHAT ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR 1941 CANNOT BE FORETOLD but regardless of what changes there may have to be, it is likely that the branches will continue through the school year under Public Library direction."

The Editor

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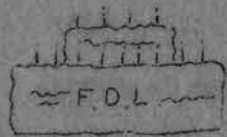
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DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN HERE

Ramsey Library

Closed
1941

BEST WISHES TO F.D.L.

Yes, today is Mr. Lewis' birthday so when you meet him in the halls sing out "Happy Birthday."

G.J., B.M.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

The people of the United States can run their government themselves, because they are educated. The ignorant in the world must follow where others lead.

As we join in the annual national observance of Education Week, we realize that through our system of education we learn how to live in a democracy.

In our country every person is an important unit in our government. Our strongest weapon against any threat to our democracy is education.

Now's the time to be on our way to get a good education!

D.B.



Letters for this column should be brief. They must bear the name of the writer, home room, and grade.

RAMSEY NEEDS BRANCH LIBRARY

Dear Editor:

We hear that the Minneapolis Public Librarian intends to close all Junior High School libraries. Ramsey has a very fine library. Nevertheless, it, too, would be closed. What would that mean? Let's take an example.

Bob Smith, 9A, lives 44 blocks from a library. Bob says, "What's the use of trying to get those 25 short stories read for English if I have to go that far?"

Then if report card time comes around, as it generally does, Bob may find a large D where he might have had an A.

Closing the library would be a hardship for many Ramseyites besides Bob.

D.B., 9BX, 303

GOOD CITIZENS DISLIKE BOOING

Dear Editor:

I think the boys and girls at Ramsey should show respect for the men who hold public office.

There has been some booing at our neighborhood theaters during the news reels. That is not the democratic way.

E.B., 9B6, 2

Ramsey Day By Day

RAMBLER IS A WINNER

the high school newspaper, Princeton, Minnesota.

Judging was done by the staff members of the School of Journalism at the University of Minnesota and staff members of the National Scholastic Press Association.

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB HAVE SONGS RECORDED

One of our talent scouts who was lurking around the halls during the third period recently saw, as he looked through the glass door of 309 that the Girls' Glee Club were having some songs recorded. Those 40 pretty little faces attracted him and he popped in and listened while they sang "The Three Little Maids", "Chiribiribee", and "Looking for the Lost Note", as Miss Agnes Smith directed the chorus.

Then the songs were played back to them. While the girls listened some blushed, some looked dazed, and some seemed surprised, at the sound of their voices. Miss Smith, and Mary Neilson, the club's president, seemed pleased.

J.T.

REPORTERS ENJOY 7A GIRLS' COOKING

Two reporters found out they had walked into the right place when they wandered into a seventh grade cooking class in 307. While they were there the day's housekeepers, as they are called, were Beverly Levine, 7A2, 306, and Janet Steadman, 7A3, 304. The girls showed they had the right spirit, too, for they served the reporters hot buttered toast and cereal which some 7A cooks had prepared. "It tasted all right," the reporters say.

J.M., G.J.

* S.H.R. CERTIFICATES

For completing both eighth and ninth grade reading requirements, Lorraine D. Johnson, 9B3, 200, will receive two certificates.

Names of other winners follow:

Virginia Anderson, 9B4, 1; Nancy Arnold, 7B1, 207; William F. Bachman, 7B1, 207; Susan T. Bates, 7B1, 207; Dorothy Benson, 9B1, 108; Barbara Bowen, 7B3, 209; Armine Boyjohn, 8B2, 212; Jean Brevick, 7A1, 214; Elizabeth Bruer, 8B3, 211; Athena Callas, 8B6, 312; Donna Carlson, 9B1, 205; Charlotte Chamberlain, 9A4, 110; Mary Jeanne Coyne, 9BZ, 206; Jean E. Dahl, 8B1, 311; Barbara A. Dent, 7B5, 305; Donald C. Fisher, 7B5, 305; Adah Fitzsimmons, 9BY, 108; Donna Mae Hendrickson, 7B1, 207; Lorraine D. Johnson, 9B3, 200; Dorothy Kauffman, 7B1, 207; Patricia Kauffman, 7B4, 103; Alice Lament, 7A5, 304; Leonard Langer, 7B6, 213; Jim LaVictoire, 7B2, 102; Jane Luetke, 7B4, 103; Bob Mabry, 9B3, 200; Patricia Mortenson, 8BX, 210; Frederick Muralt, 7B1, 207; Patricia Peeke, 9AY, 202; Paul Reiser, 8B3, 211; Charlotte Sagmoen, 9B2, 111; Gayle Stone, 7A4, 307; Donald F. Swanson, 8A4, 302; Joanne Walgreen, 7B2, 102; Dorothy Wertz, 7B2, 102; Mary Zeimetz, 7B4, 103.

* As the Rambler was going to press notice was received from the Minneapolis Public Library that Deane Moyer, 8B2, 212, and Nancy White, 8B1, 311, will also receive four year Vacation Honor Reading certificates.

The Editor

FOR LEISURE TIME READING CHOOSE

A NEWBERRY MEDAL BOOK

"Daniel Boone", by James Daugherty, which was awarded the John Newberry medal for 1939, is included in the Ramsey Library Book Week Display.

This coveted honor, awarded annually since 1921 by the Children's Librarian Association for "the most distinguished contribution to American literature during the previous year" has been awarded the books listed in this column.

Year	Title	Author
1921	The Story of Mankind-Hendrick Wilhelm VanLoon	
1922	Story of Dr. Doolittle-Hugh Lofting	
1923	Dark Frigate	Charles Boardman Hawes
1924	Tales from Silver Lands-Charles Joseph Finger	
1925	Shen of the Sea	Arthur Bowie Chrisman
1926	Smoky	Will James
1927	Gay-Neck	Dhan Gopal Mukerji
1928	The Trumpeter of Krakow-Erick P. Kelly	
1929	Hitty: Her First Hundred Years-Rachel Field	
1930	Cat Who Went to Heaven-Elizabeth Coatsworth	
1931	Waterless Mountain-Laura Adams Armer	
1932	Young Fu of the Upper Yangtse-Elizabeth Foreman Lewis	
1933	Invincible Louisa-Cornelia Meigs	
1934	Dobry	Monica Shannon
1935	Caddie Woodlawn-Carol Brink	
1936	Roller Skates-Ruth Sawyer	
1937	The White Stag-Kate Seredy	
1938	Thinble Summer-Elizabeth Enright	
1939	Daniel Boone-James Daugherty	

There is no frigate like a book

To take us lands away,

Nor any coursers like a page

Of prancing poetry.

This traverse may the poorest take

Without oppress of toll;

How frugal is the chariot

That bears a human soul.

--Emily Dickinson

RAMSEYRAMA



Sahr-

With this issue the Rambler introduces its columnist R.T.S.

The following is a log of my observations of a study hall in 300 during a recent period.

10:26 - I drifted in the study hall presided over by George Paasch, physical education instructor.

10:29 - 49 students including "Yours Truly" in the room studying, well they're in the room anyway. Through the door comes the strain of Glow-Worm. Maybe some of you know the camp version.

10:33 - I looked around; everyone was doing algebra or making graphs.

10:42 - Redheaded girl asked me if I had my algebra worked. I said, "No."

10:44 - Girls comparing papers, now I know why they get A's.

11:10 - Bell rings, everyone jumps, really nerve racking.

11:15 - Mad dash for the door as bell rings.

ONE OF THOSE MECHANICAL GENIUSES WHO HAS TO TAKE THINGS APART HAS TURNED UP IN 203 WHERE P---T--- DEMONSTRATED THAT HE COULD REMOVE THE POINTS FROM THE PENCIL SHARPENER IN LESS THAN FIVE MINUTES. WHAT WE WONDER IS HOW LONG IT TOOK HIM TO PUT THEM BACK IN PLACE.

WHO GETS THE BIRTHDAY PRESENT PUZZLES
BEVERLY ANN

Beverly Ann Burns, 2, 4624 First Avenue South, heard that her little playmate, Miriam Stormo, 4,4638 First Avenue South, was to have a birthday. Bevy's mother helped her to select a doll as a birthday gift for Miriam. Bevy took the doll to Miriam and told her it was a birthday present. Then they played until it was time to go home. Bingo! Bev took up the doll and started toward home.

Then Mrs. Burns stopped Bev, and reminded her that the doll was for Miriam.

Our back stage reporter managed to have a talk with Laurel and Hardy, popular comedians, when they were appearing at a Minneapolis theater recently, and gathered some interesting facts about them.

Stan Laurel was born in London. His father was an actor playwright, his mother an actress. Stan made his first stage appearance in a London theater when he was only seven.

Laurel came to the United States with Charlie Chaplin. They made the trip on a hog boat. Stan made his first picture in 1917. Then he decided there was little future in the movies for him so he went back to vaudeville.

Hardy's father, a prominent attorney of Atlanta, Georgia, where Oliver was born objected to his son's ambition for a theatrical career, so he saw to it that Oliver graduated from the University of Georgia Law School.

Then Hardy played in some Larry Simon comedies and in some Buck Jones westerns, not as a comedian, but as a villain.

When they split up thinking they would have separate careers it didn't work.

WHAT ARE GEOLOGY, ORNITHOLOGY, TAXIDERMY?

RUTH HOPKINS, 9B, GIVES THE ANSWERS

Geology, ornithology, and taxidermy or the study of rocks, birds, and mounting birds and animals, are the major leisure time interests of Ruth Hopkins, 9BZ, 206, who enrolled at Ramsey from Wood Lake, when school opened in September.

For a group interview conducted by the Newswriting class, 209, Wednesday, October 9, Ruth came prepared with interesting specimens from her collections.

Her very lifelike English sparrow poised on a small branch attracted the reporters' attention first, and then led off with questions on taxidermy.

At once Ruth stated, "My main interest in taking up taxidermy is to preserve specimens that I find which have met death accidentally. I would never take the life of any bird or animal just to add to my collection."

"Taxidermy requires great patience," she said. It took her ten hours to mount her first specimen, a squirrel.

Her largest mounting is a chicken, but she pointed out that to mount a small piece requires more skill, and added that the most delicate specimen she has set up is a tiny bird, the northern yellow throat.

When a reporter asked Ruth about the contents of a large metal case she had brought with her she opened it to show her collection of rocks.

First she held up a piece of igneous rock and reminded the reporters that, of course, they had heard of this in their science classes, but when some of them

ROBERT NOLAN, 9B, MAKES SUGGESTIONS

FOR PUTTING UP BIRD FEEDING STATIONS

To get some expert advice on how to build and maintain winter feeding stations for birds, the Rambler staff called in Robert Nolan, 9BZ, 206, for a group interview.

Right now Robert is working on five bird feeding stations, four of which will be placed in the Lake Harriet bird refuge and one is to be fitted with a glass side and built so it can be placed on a window ledge.

Getting Bob to talk about birds is a pushover, for he has long been interested in them.

In Maywood, Illinois, where Bob lived until coming to Minneapolis in September, his close friend Robert Pitts, an assistant forest ranger of the Wild Life Federation of Illinois, encouraged Bob's natural interest in birds, and interested him in attending a meeting of the Maywood branch of the Wild Life Federation.

Directed by Mr. Pitts, he built a feeding station and set it up in a forest preserve located about a mile east from his home. He kept it supplied with food that best suited the winter birds of that locality.

"A good feeding station for Minnesota winter birds should include cracked corn, and grain such as oats, wheat, rye, flax, and sunflower, millet, and pine cone seed also some suet and generous pieces of apples, and some nut meats," Bob stated.

Because the supply must be replaced frequently, Robert said he plans to visit his stations once a week.

Roving Reporter

RAMBLER FOOTBALL SCOUTS MEET GOPHERS AND WATCH THEM IN PRACTICE SESSION

A chance to watch Minnesota's Golden Gophers at a practice session impressed Mrs. Russell Hoftomt, Ramsey's visiting teacher, as a valid reason for granting an excuse to two Rambler football scouts to leave school Monday, October 7 at 2 p.m. in order to be on hand at Cook hall, University of Minnesota, when the team assembled for the afternoon's workout.

As we entered Cook hall we saw a collection of plaques, loving cups, and footballs on display in cabinets along the walls. A reproduction of the "Little Brown Jug" was right there in the middle of things.

Along came Co-captain Bob Ejorlund and he agreed to take us down to the locker room, and when we asked him about the Nebraska line he said it was very tough and hard to crack.

Bob introduced us to Co-captain Bill Johnson. We asked him what he considered the toughest game he had been in. He stated it was the game with Michigan last year. As we walked on down the hall we met George "Sonny" Franck, who weighs 175 pounds and streaks down the field like a greyhound. He agreed with Bill Johnson that Michigan was his toughest game too.

When asked how he felt when he made that spectacular 98 yard run in the Washington game Franck said, "I was interested only in making a touchdown and in not making any mistakes."

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MAYOR LEACH PRAISES PUBLIC SCHOOL PATROL HE REGRETS CUTS IN TEACHERS' SALARIES

It was eight o'clock in the evening as two Rambler reporters turned in at the walk leading to Mayor George E. Leach's home for an appointment made with him well in advance, to discuss some civic problems.

The Mayor, himself, came to the door and invited the Ramblerites into a pleasant, softly lighted living room.

Taking up the Minneapolis Public School patrol system's part in the city's campaign for safety, the reporters opened up their interview.

The Mayor made it clear that he thinks the school patrol system is a very important part in the city's safety program. He said, "I can't praise the school patrol system too much, for since Minneapolis doesn't have enough traffic policemen, those patrol boys take the place of traffic officers."

Apparently the Mayor feels a personal satisfaction in our school patrol system, for he agreed it was largely through his efforts when he was mayor of the city back in 1923, that the traffic duty for school boys was authorized.

When a reporter introduced the subject of playgrounds, the Mayor stated, "Minneapolis has one of the largest playground systems of any city of its size in the United States, with the best record of attendance."

He added that he would be glad to

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MINNESOTA'S GOPHERS

Next we caught the jovial Bobby Paff-rath. He said that Ohio State was the best team he had ever played against. He also complimented Rudy Mucha, the Washington center. He said he was a hard blocker.

When Bobby was asked what he thought of Minnesota's chances to get through Harmon when the Gophers play Michigan, he said, "The question is not whether Minnesota can get through Harmon, but whether Harmon can get through Minnesota."

As we walked out to the field to watch the practice we met Bob Sweiger, who weighs in at 205 pounds. He seemed to be of the opinion that the Washington backfield was a little better than the Nebraska backfield.

Bob took us over to meet Bruce Smith. Bruce said, "Michigan will be a hard team to stop!"

Shaking hands with Coach Bernie Bierman was a real thrill and he gave us his autograph, but was "mum" when we tried to get a prediction on Minnesota's chances for the Big Ten championship.

Ted Ofstedahl

John Haertel

UNDER COVER ICE CREAM

G----- P-----, 8B2, 212, was walking calmly out of the lunchroom one noon recently, eating ice cream from a Dixie cup when a lunchroom supervisor accosted him. When asked what he was doing, he replied, "I'm eating ice cream."

The supervisor then explained he couldn't eat in the hall and would have to go back to the lunchroom.

Back there, he laid a plan. He put the Dixie inside his shirt and edged slowly

MAYOR LEACH

have the playground system extended, for there are still sections of the city that need this service.

Many of you teachers have been wondering about that proposed 15 percent cut in salary which the local papers have reported is being considered by the Board of Education for 1941.

When the reporters switched the conversation to the 1941 cuts in salaries for teachers, the Mayor said, "The Board of Education's needs exceed their budget."

Pay cuts for other city employees, as the fire and police departments, are not being considered, the Mayor admitted. It seems that the Board of Education's needs are set up apart from the budget which covers other city employees. The Mayor said he is sorry that the teachers' salaries may be cut again in 1941.

As the reporters prepared to go, the Mayor began talking about Minnesota's pheasants, ^{the} hunting season, and exchanged views on where in the vicinity of Minneapolis the shooting was likely to be best.

Then the Mayor was off to attend a meeting of the committee organizing the Community Fund drive.

Jim Maslon

Bob Weil

* * *

down the hall past the teacher.

When well past her, he put his hands over the part of his shirt that covered the Dixie cup and walked down the hall.

Councilor Bob Davis, noting this peculiar performance, stopped G---- and asked, "What's the matter kid?"

To this question G---- solemnly replied, "I have an awful stumnick ache."

He then paid his penny and went into the auditorium to see the movie. Under cover of the darkness there, G---- finally ate his ice cream peacefully.

Bob O'Rourke

Sports

TOUCHBALL WINNERS

In the ninth grade games, 9B4, 1, are the winners.

Winner in the eighth grade section in 8A4, 302.

The seventh grade title was taken by 7A4, 307.

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A GLIMPSE AT A 7B GYM CLASS

As the cub reporter's first assignment was a story on a gym class, he headed for the Boys' Gym at the beginning of the third hour October 17.

Seventy 7B's, running through their drill directed by P.U. Duebendorf were fun to watch. Many of them had trouble keeping step but with practice they showed much improvement.

As Mr. Duebendorf called the directions they went through their exercises with zip.

NAME HIM!

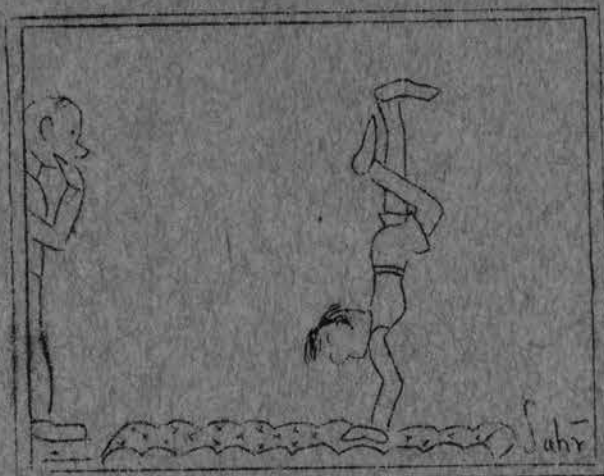
He is one of Minnesota's greats. He entered competition with all the boys born in 1918 when he began life June 12 arriving at 2700 Plymouth Avenue North.

When he finished Willard grade school he attended North high for which he played District Branch office of the Minneapolis center. That started him on his football career. He finished North in '36.

---over 6 feet tall and weighs about 220 pounds and is co-captain of Minnesota's Golden Gophers.

J.H.

TUMBLERS PERFORM



Ramsey's tumbling club will stage an exhibition in the auditorium at a date to be announced later.

R.A.

BUTCH, THE MILLERS' MASCOT

Little Butch was the faithful mascot of the Washburn football team. Although he is past eight he is only three feet six inches tall. He's been very worried about Dick Hoffman's leg injury, for while he liked all the fellows on the team, Hoffman, the fullback, is his favorite.

Butch thought Washburn had a chance

for the city championship.

R.A.

"Y" NEWS

In a talk with John H. Rowe, Jr.,

executive secretary of the Washburn Y.M.C.A. "Y" clubs at Ramsey was the subject discussed.

We have two types of Y clubs at Ramsey, the Junior Hi-Y for boys in grades 7 and 8, and Torch clubs for boys in grade 9.

In the Junior Hi-Y division there are three clubs, the Blades, Crusaders, and the Comets, and the presidents are Jim Stark, 8A3, 112, Gayle Testin, 8A4, 302 and Jerry Smith, 8A2, 314.

SPORTS

HI-LITES FROM GIRLS' GYM

In the 9A speed ball tournament the combined teams of the 9AY's and 4's will play against the 9A3's and 4's for the championship.

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The final badminton game will be played on November 13. A few of the stars out to win are "Sheve" Howard, 9AY, 202, and Mary Stevens, 9AY, 202.

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In the beat ball tournaments the 8B1's and 7A4's were the winners.

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Gym classes are doing some folk dancing these days.

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The gals are due to take up basketball soon.

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The gym floor has a brand new set of court boundary lines for games.

Besides having lines for basketball and other sports they have added badminton courts.

LOOKING IN ON 7B GYM CLASS

Eight squads of 7B's with their leaders, Meredith Bergford, 103; Susan Bates, 207; Dorothy Wong, 103; Joan Walgreen, 102; Jean Niles, 100; Nancy Altman, 103; Pat McCullough, 209; and Pat Farrell, 209, just about took up all the space in the gym third hour Thursday, October 17.

Mrs. Philip Erickson directed the activities. Following some limbering up exercises they played kick ball.

The first four squads called the "Evens" played against the other four squads, called the "Odds".

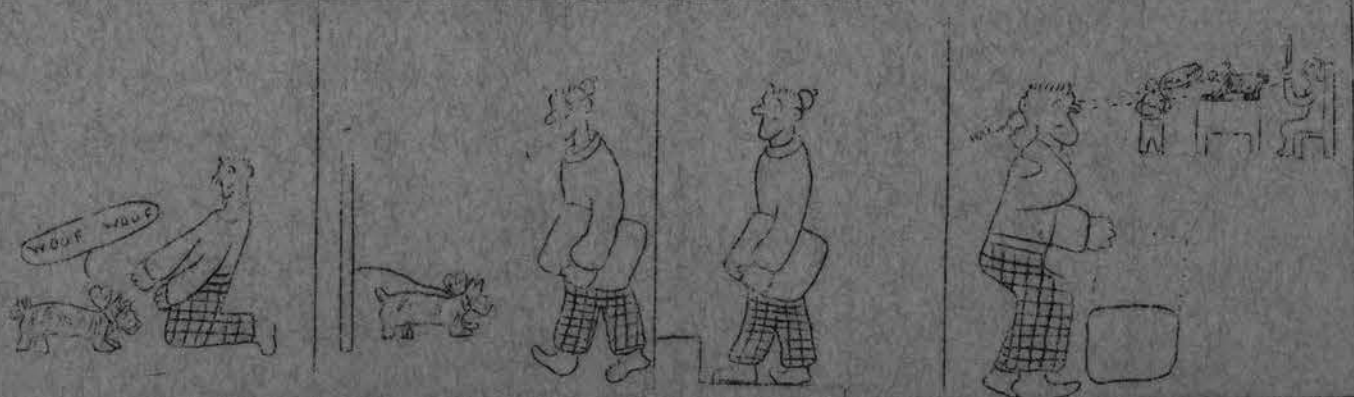
At the end of the period the score stood 14-12 in favor of the "Evens".

P.B.

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In case some of you don't know your referees, here they are: "Sheve" Howard, 9AY, 202; Mary Stevens, 9AY, 202; Betty Winters, 9A3, 204; Charlotte Hill, 9A2, 301; Betty Lou Hansen, 9AY, 202; Mary Jane Neal, 9AY, 202; Virginia Curry, 9A1, 208; Florence Norby, 9AY, 202; and Audrey Nelson, 9A4, 110.

ANDY HAS DOG TROUBLE



TALES TOLD TO RAMBLERS

DEACON, THE DOG

I suppose you want to know why we named him Deacon. It was because his father was named that and because he was a little cocker spaniel that was all black.

The day Deacon was born was on July 21, 1939. He was brought by Railway Express from Portland, Maine in a little wooden box. Now he is a year old and is very, very smart. He has learned to shake hands and sit up, or stand up.

Deacon has a playmate named "Cinder Lou Morse". She is also a cocker spaniel and they are really playmates. Cinder Lou is my boy friend's dog who lives next door.

Charles Sylvester, 7B2,
102

SNOOKS

Snooks is our cat. He isn't an alley cat but he isn't angora either. He looks like he is going out because he always wears tails, white vest and grey spats. His tail is very long. When he sits down he can curl his tail around him like weather stripping.

I got him Easter morning in a basket, but he wasn't in it very much. His family were all angora, but I guess he was an exception.

He sleeps on the furnace pipes

(even though he has his own bed). I guess he likes it because they are warm.

Prudence Maleckar, 7B, 100

THE LIFE OF SPOTTY SO FAR

One day in November of 1939 Don Benson, a friend of mine, got a dog. He was a little fox terrier about two weeks old, and almost at once he became the favorite dog of the neighborhood.

If you ever came near Spotty when you were running he would come running after you gnawing at your heels. When Spotty got his first collar he didn't think much of it. If you put the collar on him before two seconds were up he would have it off.

He was a very destructive pet. He chewed up Don's model airplanes, rubbers, footballs, comic books, and everything he could get his teeth on.

Now he is trained, he sits up on chairs as if he were the ruler of the world, and likes riding in cars. Just recently he was run over but he wasn't hurt. He was just scared stiff.

Ed Conway, 7B2, 102



C O N T E S T S

BOOK WEEK SLOGAN CONTEST

From the 1940 Book Week theme, "Good Books, Good Friends", make a list of words of not less than three letters and of not more than eight letters, but not including the words in the slogan itself.

Be sure your name, home room, and grade are written at the top of your list.

Entries in this contest must be in Room 209 before the close of school Thursday, November 14.

Prizes will be awarded to winners in each section of each grade from 7B to 9A.

Z.L.

HUMPHREY THE TURTLE

Patty Maslon, 4, 2100 West 42 Street, has a pet turtle named Humphrey. He was a very happy little turtle until his glass fish bowl broke.

It was like this. He was sleeping on his rock when, "Wham!", his glass bowl fell on the floor and flew into a thousand pieces. Poor Humphrey was so startled that he didn't know what to do. Soon he felt himself being picked up and put into a tin bowl. Humphrey was very sad in this bowl for he could not see through it. He lay on his rock and moped all day long. →

DO YOU KNOW THESE POPULAR DOG STORIES AND THEIR AUTHORS?

This contest is open to seventh graders only.

Listed below are ten titles of dog stories. Fill in the missing words in the blanks provided below, cut out this list, write your name, home room, and grade at the top and return to 209 before the close of school Thursday, November 14.

Prizes will be awarded to the first 2 sets of correct answers received for 7B and 7A entrants.

- | <u>Title</u> | <u>Author</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. _____ Flanders | |
| 2. My Friend _____ | |
| 3. Ring the Story of a _____ | |
| 4. Heart of _____ | |
| 5. Valiant _____ Timberline | |
| 6. _____, a Collie | |
| 7. _____ the Soot | |
| 8. Black _____ | |
| 9. Bob _____ Battle | |
| 10. Gray _____ | |

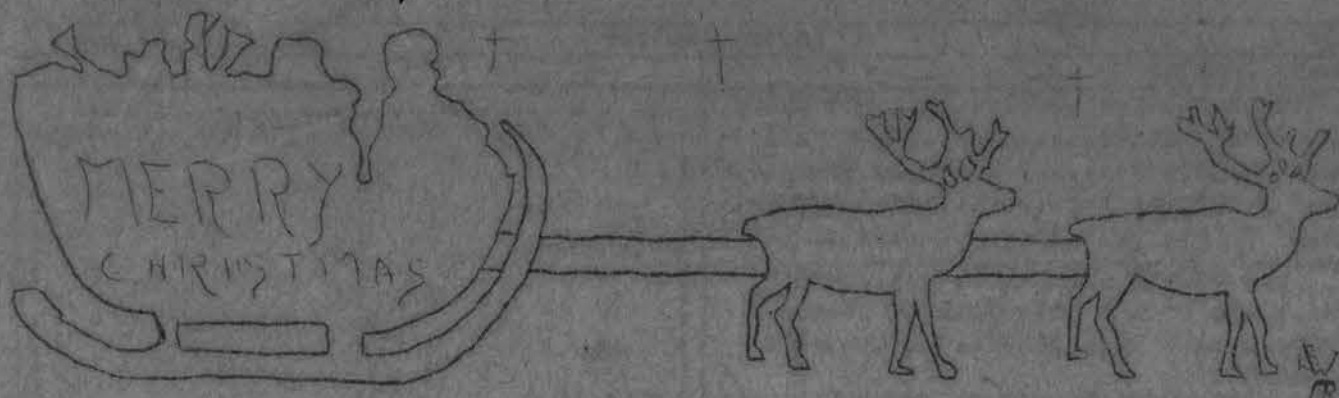
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Today Humphrey is happy again, for he has a new glass bowl. He is swimming around as usual and feeling very spry.

J.H.

Find a name for each of the objects listed at left side of this brain teaser. Note that each name you supply should begin with the letter of the alphabet which appears at top of the column.

	A	B	C	D	R
CAR	Auburn	Buick	Chrysler	Dodge	Pontiac
FLOWER	Aster	Buttercup	Carnation	Daisy	Rose
COLOR	Amber	Brown	Crimson	Gold	Red
CITY	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	London	Richmond



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MINNEAPOLIS 1940 LIGHTING CONTEST OPENS DEC. 20

RAMSEY MUSIC GROUPS TO

GIVE ANNUAL CAROL CONCERT

Five hundred children in the choral clubs together with 189 in the orchestra and band will join in presenting the annual Ramsey Christmas carol concert in the auditorium at two programs Thursday, December 19, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.

To the morning program will be invited grades 7B, 7A, 8B, and 8A, 9B and 9A will be guests at the afternoon concert. Parents and interested friends are invited to attend at whichever time they wish.

Miss Agnes Smith, Miss Lois Powell, Mrs. Leslie Harper, and Clarence Hegg will direct the program.

We publish on page 12 of this issue the complete program.



RAMSEY BOYS WINNERS IN SEARS

ROEBUCK WOODWORKING CONTEST

Among the winners announced in the 1940 wood-working contest conducted by Sears Roebuck and Company for the best work entered by boys in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 are David Hester, 9B6, 2, and Richard Gaylor, 9A3, 204.

David Hester received third prize, a machinist's vise, for his entry, a canape tray, in wood turning class.

Richard Gaylor won fifth prize, a workbench, for his checker board in machinist's work class.

A former Ramsey boy, Paul Rufsvoid, now 10B, Washburn, won first prize, a work bench, in the hand-working division, for his clock which he finished last May while a pupil in Ramsey's woodshop.

The boys made their winners in Ramsey's shop. Walter Machula was their teacher.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE RAMSEY
RAMBLER:

AS YOU POINTED OUT IN THE

NOVEMBER ISSUE OF THE RAMBLER,

CARL VITZ, LIBRARIAN OF THE MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC

LIBRARY, IS CONSIDERING CLOSING THE JUNIOR HIGH

SCHOOL BRANCH LIBRARIES. IT WOULD BE VERY UNFORTU-

NATE FOR US AT RAMSEY IF THIS PLAN IS CARRIED OUT.

OUR LIBRARY IS A GREAT EDUCATIONAL FORCE. WE MUST

KEEP THE LIBRARY. PLEASE INFORM YOUR PARENTS RE-

GARDING THIS AS IT IS SOMETHING EVERY CITIZEN IN THE CITY SHOULD HELP TO DETERMINE. *Fred D. Lewis*

JR. ASS'N COMMERCE OFFERS

PRIZES FOR HOME DISPLAYS

By Nanne Hildebrand
Jim Maslon

Contests to encourage Christmas lighting in residential districts will be sponsored again this year by the Junior Association of Commerce. The contest opens December 20 and will close January 1, 1941.

At least one light in every home is the aim of the campaign. The theme is to be patriotic.

Electrical prizes will be awarded to residents, churches, and organizations.

The city wards are each divided into four districts. M.O. Morland, 4848 Drew avenue south, was the 1939 winner in Ramsey's district.

A city sweepstakes prize will be awarded also, to the display which the judges vote the best of all the entries.

Adolph Renning, 5030 Woodlawn boulevard, was the '39 sweepstakes winner.

Funds are being raised to provide the prizes from the sale of buttons at ten cents apiece.

The Jewish lighting festival will begin December 19, one day before the city contest. Both groups will be working hand in hand with each other.



FLASH TO SNOW SHOVELERS

DECEMBER 18-21 INCLUSIVE

Temperature near normal in Minnesota with little precipitation (snow) Wednesday.

Gradually rising temperatures Thursday night and Friday.

D.S.

Ramsey Rambler

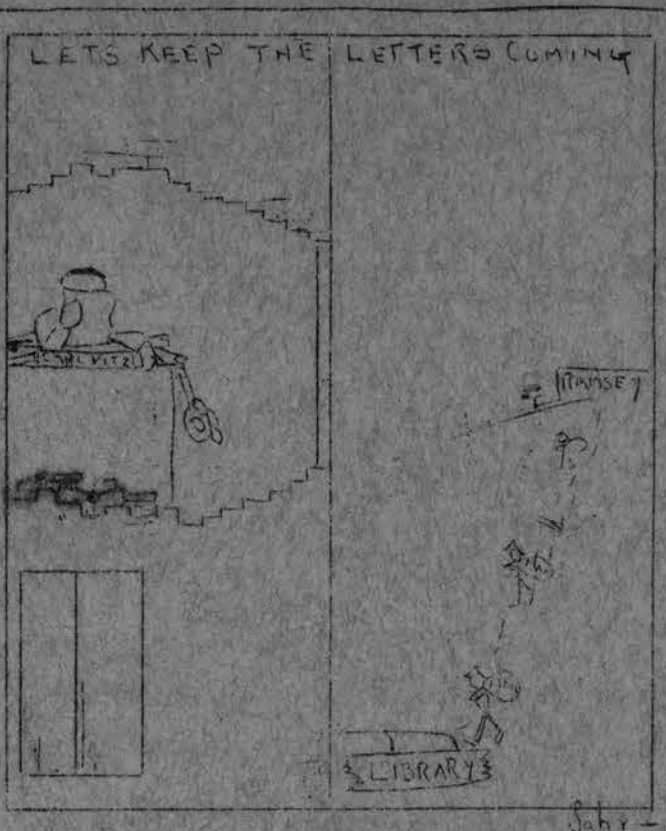
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

If you don't find your name in our LETTER TO SANTA, page 8, don't worry. We're sending him a flash over our special leased wire which reads:

please fill the stockings of all Ramsey pupils, clerks, janitors, cooks, teachers, and Mr. Lewis.

B.M.

SAFETY

vacation time again. There will be so much fun sliding and skating, but everyone will be happier if we all return to school again at the end of the vacation in one piece, not in casts or on crutches. Be careful, slide only where sliding is permitted, and DON'T SLIDE IN THE STREETS.

B.J.

OUR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the very important letters written to the editor by two Ramsey patrons which appear on this page and to Mr. Lewis' letter printed on our front page we call your thoughtful attention.

Because we are all vitally interested in keeping our branch library open we hope you'll do your share to interest your dads and mothers in this cause.

Please ask them to write directly to Mr. Carl Vitz, Librarian, Minneapolis Public Library.

B.M.

CHRISTMAS SEALS ARE A GOOD INVESTMENT



Letters for this column should be brief. They must bear the name of the writer, and address.

MY DEAR EDITOR:

OUR JOB RIGHT NOW IS TO FIND A WAY TO PRESERVE OUR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICE, AND TO SEE THAT OUR LIBRARIES ARE ADEQUATELY SUPPLIED, STAFFED, AND USED.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT IN EVERY CLASS ROOM THE HABIT OF FINDING INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION IN BOOKS IS ESTABLISHED.

ONLY WHEN THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED HAVE WE, AS CITIZENS, DONE OUR SHARE TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN AGAINST THE FORCES OF IGNORANCE AND SUPERSTITION WHICH THREATEN DEMOCRACY.

MRS. GEORGE B. PALMER
2120 WEST FORTY-NINTH STREET

DECEMBER 9, 1940

DEAR EDITOR:

MAY I BE COUNTED AMONG THE PARENTS OF RAMSEY JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS WHO ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED OVER THE PROSPECTIVE CLOSING OF ITS LIBRARY. SINCE I FEEL THAT BOOKS ARE RECOGNIZED AIDS TO LEARNING, EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO HAVE THEM ACCESSIBLE IN THE SCHOOLS. A SCHOOL LIBRARY ACCOMPLISHES THIS PURPOSE MOST EFFECTIVELY AND SHOULD BE PRESERVED.

VERY TRULY YOURS,

SAMUEL H. MASLON
2100 WEST FORTY-NINTH STREET

Ramsey Day By Day

NEW FLAG WAVES IN RAMSEY'S OFFICE



A brand new silk flag, 20 x 15 inches, now floats from the top of a 4½ foot standard on Miss Della Hovey's desk, chief clerk at Ramsey, where it was installed November 28. It proudly waves to gladden the hearts of all the visitors to the office.

Fanned by a breeze from a small electric fan located in the base of the standard, this flag is a daily reminder to all who enter the office that WE ARE ALL AMERICANS.

A.R.

SCIENCE CLASS, 112, MANUFACTURES SOAP

Experiments in making soap conducted by pupils in Mrs. Truman Allen's science classes Wednesday, December 5, were successful.

They followed a recipe prepared by Victor Smith, co-author of "Science in our Daily Life", and instructor of science at Ramsey. The ingredients were:

- 1/3 test tube water
- 1/3 test tube fat, such as fat from a meat roast
- 3 grams sodium hydroxide (lye)
- 1/3 test tube alcohol

The directions were:

pour water and lye into a dish and heat until lye dissolves. Then pour melted fat and alcohol into the lye and water solution. The alcohol speeds up the boiling process.

The mixture changes in color as it boils, from tan to white. When it thickens remove from fire, pour it into a bowl and shape it into a small cake.

The soap making procedure takes only 20 minutes. Samples of the soap are on display in 112 and 209.

"It isn't guaranteed to keep that schoolgirl complexion, but it will remove dirt," Mrs. Allen stated.

Reporters who have tried it out on grimy hands have voted to give the soap "The Rambler Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval."

D.S.

WHAT DO YOU THINK, GALS?

One explanation of the cause of poor work among students has been located.

In the column entitled "Fifty Years Ago" appearing in the November issue of the Ladies' Home Journal, there appeared this statement made by a prominent New York physician, "The constant chewing of gum has produced weak minds in fourteen cases of young girls now under treatment."

P.B.

U.S. SURPLUS FOOD COMMODITIES PROGRAM

ADDS ONE FREE DISH DAILY TO LUNCHEES

Ramsey's cafeteria patrons enjoyed their first taste of the United States government's food commodities program Monday noon, December 2, when 1500 free cookies appeared on the lunchroom counter.

The cookies were made in the Ramsey kitchen by Mrs. Caroline Gjutman, pastry cook. Only a dozen were left at close of lunch period, Mrs. Gjutman reported.

Surplus commodities are foods which the government buys to stabilize prices, and then distributes where they will be used to benefit the nation's children.

Every school day, Ramsey's children will be given one free dish so long as these commodities last.

Some of the foods which will be provided are vegetables, fruits, and baked foods made from the materials furnished.

When asked if she thought this program practical, Mrs. Lillian Irmen, lunchroom supervisor, said, "It seems to be a success at Ramsey." She added, "It is important that each student should limit himself to ONE serving. Otherwise some children might not get their share."

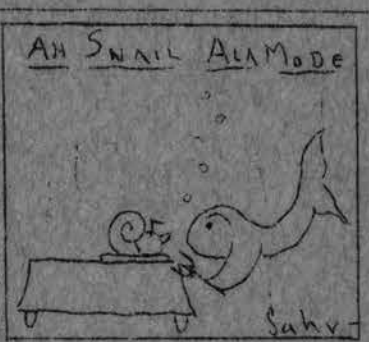
P.B.

RAMSEY STUDENTS ATTEND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT

Thirty season ticket patrons from Ramsey attended the second young people's concert at Northrop Memorial Auditorium Thursday, December 12 at 3 p.m. Rose Bampton, soprano, was the soloist. Dimitri Mitropoulos conducted the orchestra.

H.R.

GUPPIES MAKE RAIDS ON SNAILS



War rages within the very walls of Ramsey's library. Visit the aquarium and see for yourself. The guppies are the aggressors, making lightning attacks on the snails. They eat

them up!

Mrs. Van Konynenburg, librarian, says replenishing the supply of snails is getting to be a problem.

She attributes the guppies' success to the fact that they multiply so rapidly. Against their superior forces the snails haven't a chance.

N.H.

Help protect your home from tuberculosis.

-- Buy Christmas Seals --

FRED L. KILDOW, N.S.P.A. HEAD, IS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER AT CITY JUNIOR HIGH PRESS MEET

Fred L. Kildow, director of the National Scholastic press association, and associate editor of the Scholastic Editor magazine, spoke to the editors, staff, representatives and advisers of the Minneapolis junior high school papers at their semi-annual press conference at Lincoln junior high school, Friday afternoon, December 6 on "So You Want to be All American". He emphasized the importance of attractive newspaper make up, and interesting news content.

Beryl Miller, editor of the Lincoln Life, presided at the business session.

Following the conference, members of the Lincoln Life staff, and their adviser, Mrs. Julia Michelsen, served refreshments in the teachers' lunchroom to the visitors.

Representatives from Ramsey who attended were Jean Henderson, Richard Andre, and Miss Doreen Clancy, adviser of the Record staff, and Patty Benn, Bob Mabry, Roger Sahr, and Miss Laura Barrett, adviser of Rambler.

R.S.

RAMBLER CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Winners of the Book Week slogan contest conducted by the Rambler are Nancy Burlingame, 7B3, 209, Elizabeth Bruer, 8B3, 211, Robert Canton, 8A1, 315, and Robert Nolan, 9B2, 206.

Giles McConville, 9A2, 301, turned in the correct solution for the brain teaser.

The prizes were five tickets of admission to the noon movies.

T.H.

JANITORS BRAVE BLIZZARD

Ramsey's janitors fought through the snow drifts after the Armistice Day blizzard November 11, and arrived at school Tuesday about 10 a.m. November 12.

Frank Ellis, and Oris Holter, chief engineer, each walked six miles to get here. When they arrived they found that snow had sifted in through the sky lights in the shops. The ventilators were clogged with snow. In some classrooms snow had drifted in under the window sills.

Mr. Holter said they shoveled snow for four days that week to get the walks in good condition again.

Arthur Jahn, janitor, was the luckiest of them all, as Tuesday happened to be his "day off".

Ralph Thornton was quite lucky too, for he caught a bus on 38 street and got out to Ramsey on the first street car that went through on the Nicollet line.

J.R.

Help save lives, "Buy Christmas Seals"

MISS OLGA BJORNSTAD WILL REPRESENT RAMSEY ON CITY SCHOOL RED CROSS COMMITTEE

Miss Olga M. Bjornstad, mathematics instructor, will represent Ramsey on the Minneapolis Public Schools' Red Cross committee, organized at the request of Carroll R. Reed, superintendent of schools, Wednesday, November 27.

Knitting activities for the American Red Cross are already being carried on at Ramsey under the supervision of Miss Esther Gunderson in her sewing classes.

Girls who have finished their regular sewing projects volunteered to visit the downtown headquarters, fifth floor at Dayton's, and get supplies and instructions for knitting sweaters.

Georgia Abrahamson, 9B1, 205, and Jean Maas, 9B1, 205, are knitting men's size sweaters.

Jean Rockwell, 9B, 101, and Jean Bergerding, 9B3, 200, are working on large size boys' sweaters.

Z.L.

MICE ARE REFUGEES WHEN HOME IN PIANO IS WIPED OUT

Frank Hall, piano tuner in the employ of the Minneapolis Board of Education, while tuning the piano in Ramsey's auditorium Monday, November 25, discovered it was inhabited by a family of mice.

In reporting the situation to F.D. Lewis, Ramsey's principal, Mr. Hall said that he had heard reports that some animals enjoy music, but he felt these mice just wanted a home.

Sadly, Mr. Hall went about the business of a one man blitzkreig on their comfortable nest.

To what place in the building the mice have evacuated has not been learned.

Mr. Hall, who has been tuning school pianos for many years, stated, "I have never before encountered mice in a school piano."

B.O'R.

MISS RUTH CARLSON'S DRAMA CLUB GIVES

SIX PERFORMANCES OF ENCHANTED STOWAWAYS

The play, "Enchanted Stowaways", was presented in the library to large audiences each period Friday, November 15, by members of the drama club directed by Miss Ruth Carlson as their contribution to the observance of Book Week.

In the play, Sue and Bobby decide to run away and see the world. They hide in the library for the night. Soon characters from popular books come to life and tell what has happened to them. Among the book characters were Heidi, Jo from "Little Women", Caddie Woodlawn, and Robin Hood.

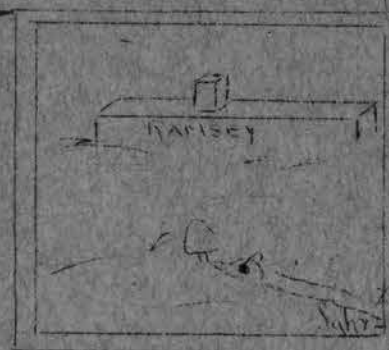
After the characters leave, Sue and Bobby decide to go home and read these books. I enjoyed it very much and I think it deserves "5 A's".

Louise Carlson, 7B3, 209

MAILMAN GETS THE MAIL TO RAMSEY TWICE

THOSE 7B GIRLS CAN SEW

DAILY, DESPITE SNOW AND SUB ZERO WEATHER



part of the day's work and he likes it.

Rain or shine, snow or sleet, he delivers the mail every day except holidays and Sundays in the district from 48 street to 50 street, and from Nicollet avenue to Harriet avenue.

Because of regulations, he wears no overcoat in the winter, but his uniform is a heavy bluish gray wool and around his neck he wears a warm woolen scarf. The finger tips of his gloves he has cut off--"so that I can handle the mail easier," he explained. The earflaps of his cap he wears rolled down and he wears overshoes, of course.

Mr. Turnbull said that on most days he delivers about 40 or 50 letters to Ramsey but on Mondays the Ramsey mail runs to about fifteen pounds.

"Monday is my hardest day," he said, "because I have Sunday's mail as well as magazines that are always delivered to Ramsey on Mondays."

On average working days Mr. Turnbull is on duty eight hours. He gets around his morning route in about three and a half hours, while his afternoon rounds take about three hours. Then he spends some time getting his mail in order.

Although Mr. Turnbull stood up against the radiator, warming himself, as we talked, he was anxious to be on his way because people don't like to wait for their mail you know.

J.S.

-- Buy Christmas seals --

Having given our boy reporters' impression of a girls' cooking class in our last issue of the Rambler, the editor thought it important to give you the same boy's slant on what the girls do in sewing class.

We headed for 103 at the beginning of the third hour Monday, December 2, where everyone was so hard at work making their needles fly that we heard little, but we saw much, for Miss Adeline Garden, instructor, invited us to look around.

Bonnie Benson, 7B2, 102, Joan Castles, 7B2, 102, Mary Urquhart, 7B7, 100, and "Prue" Maleckar, 7B7, 100, were making aprons to use next semester in cooking.

Miss Garden showed us some dolls that Joyce Witte, 7B6, 213, Ruth Nowack, 7B7, 100, Donna Peterson, 7B2, 102, and Virginia Sandahl, 7B6, 213, were making for Christmas presents.

These soft little dolls are made from men's socks and filled with kapok. The dolls' faces are made by stitching in the features with colored yarns, and they wear becoming hats and yarn frills for decoration.

Younger sisters and brothers who find these dolls under the Christmas tree are sure to squeal with delight.

Then, curious to know what the girls in 102 were making, your reporters visited their second hour December 7. Miss Esther Gunderson, sewing teacher, suggested that we go around to the sewing tables and talk with the girls about their work.

Among these busy little seamstresses Kathleen Paterson, 7B7, 100, Emily Jones, 7B, 213, and Marjorie Butcher, 7B, 213, were making aprons and doing a good job at it too.

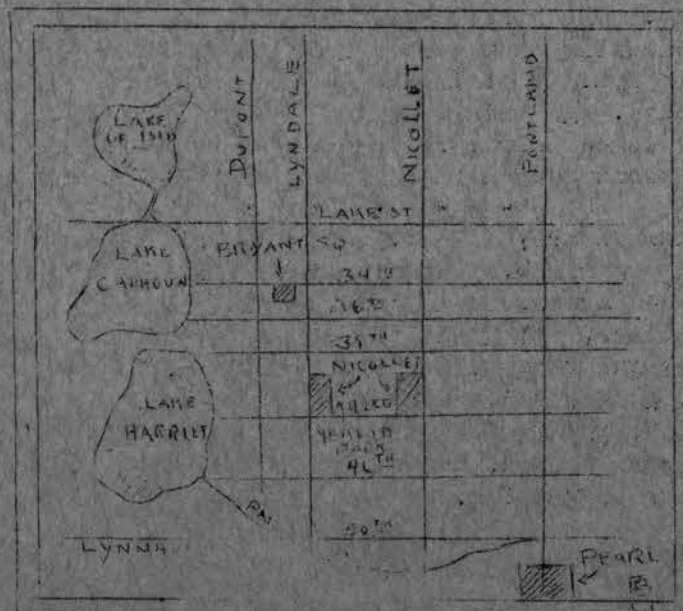
Nancy Jean Burlingame, 7B3, 209, Marjorie Paulson, 7B, 213, Nancy McKeon, 7B, 213, and Elizabeth Ogdahl, 7B, 305, were making appealing little stocking dolls, all decked in yarn furbelows.

Many of the girls were stitching away on Christmas stockings made from red and green starched gauze and decorated with sleigh bells, which are to be hung up at the fireplace for Santa to fill on Christmas Eve. We were pleased to see that the girls made these stockings good and big.

If you need a good-sized Christmas stocking, we recommend you to try to place an order with Marilyn Davis, 7B4, 103, or Donna Oliver, 7B2, 102.

C.J., J.M.

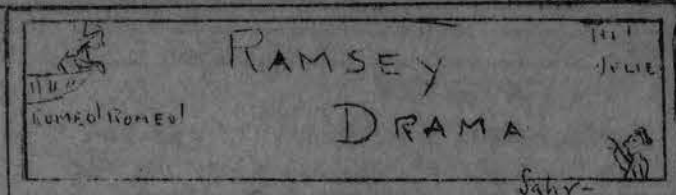
RAMBLER MAP OF NEIGHBORHOOD OUTDOOR SPORTS CENTERS



As you give this map the once-over, do it critically. See if you can find where he goes skating. Who? Why yehudi, of course.

plan to visit your neighborhood outdoor sports center during the holiday season.

E.B.



9A'S PRESENT DOUBLE TROUBLE

TO ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE

Seven hundred patrons were seated in the Ramsey auditorium when the house lights were dimmed and the curtain rose on the first act of "Double Trouble", the 9A class play, Friday evening, December 13.

The play, a three act farce written by James Reach, written about the Barry family, who have more trouble than the average family, kept the audience in suspense.

When the gangster, Spike, disguised as Aunt Deborah, played by Dick McFarland, and the would be doctor, Gropper, played by Jim Heffernan, were unmasked, the audience applauded wildly.

Other members of the capable cast, directed by Mrs. Ruth Gill, included Joy Park, Carolyn McLean, Kalman Lifson, Jean Ann Perrine, Patty Ross, Jim van Valkenburg, Gerald Paulson, Bernard DeVries, Bernadette Rouen, Phyllis Peterson, and Gerry Clark.

Patty Ross, who played the part of the daughter, Alice Barry, is leaving in January for a two weeks visit to Hollywood. She was chosen by Merle Potter in a contest sponsored by Campbell Corn Flakes.

B.B., J.M.

GLEE CLUB PRESENTS MIKADO

RAMSEY ARTISTS PAINT STAGE SCENERY

An enthusiastic audience applauded the Ramsey Glee Club's production of "The Mikado", a famous Gilbert and Sullivan comic opera, presented in the Ramsey auditorium, Friday evening, November 29.

Directed by Miss Agnes Smith, music teacher, who was assisted by Miss Stella Hillgren, coach of the speaking parts, the cast scored a great success.

Settings, designed and painted by members of Mrs. Helen Loenholdt's stage scenery classes, formed a setting of unusual interest and beauty.

Figures of four Japanese women, one of which decorated each of the four flats, were designed and painted by Janice Swanson, 9A3, 204, Rosemary Weinberg, 9A3, 204, Joan Taylor, 9B9, 101, and Muriel Townsend, 9B2, 111.

The realistic mountain backdrop was painted and projected on the screen by Richard Gauper and Bill MacDonald, both 9A1's, 208.

Small screen panels which completed the background were also done by members of the stage scenery classes including Patty Mettel, 8B1, 311, Patricia Clark, 8B4, 203, Gloria Bear, 9B2, 206, Robert Johnson, 4, 5AX, Norman Johnson, 4, 9AX, Jim Bergford, 9B3, 200, Duane Ness, 8B1, 311, Lawrence Lueck, 312, 8B1, Dick Ehlen, 8A, 302, Billy McCarthy, 8B2, 212, Bill MacDonald, 9A1, 208, Dean Mayer, 8B2, 212, and Richard Gauper, 9A1, 208.

B.B.

Monday, December 1

After getting out of school I came home post haste, hunger was gnawing at my vitals. I had fifteen cents but thought it not wise to spend it as Dad had given me a dollar this very morning. Running up to the door, I gave my emergency call on the buzzer. No answer. Could it be that Mom wasn't home? Still no answer. Well, as I dashed out this morning, I picked up a key off my desk. I tried it. Didn't work. Cause? Wrong key. I composed myself. Running around to the front door. Locked! Mom certainly did a good job.

Only one thing left to do, climb in an upstairs window. I went into the garage and carried the ladder out in a very undignified manner.

Just then down the alley came the girl I had been trying to impress for the last two weeks. I dropped the ladder and jumped behind the house. She was gone. Well, to make a long story short, I got into the house finally with only a tear in my pants.

Thursday, December 2

While studying my pass in my home room which had just been refused, I discovered that I couldn't figure out the initials. That gave me an idea. Why not reproduce some of the teachers' signatures on passes? Two bits you can't figure them out.

① J. W. ② B. P. ③ J. H. A.
④ P. B. ⑤ E. L. ⑥ J. R. K.
⑦ E. D. A. ⑧ R. S. H. ⑨ E. M.
⑩ H. M. ⑪ K. M. B.

Answers at bottom of page. Don't look.

Thursday, December 5

In study hall sixth period I met George Sher. We made plans to go to 9B Sunlite in the girls' gym. I was against it but he dragged me in. We were about the first ones there, but as the girls started to pile in I repented my rash doings. Deciding to get out of the place, I edged over toward the locker door. My escape was blocked. I dashed back to the hall doors, both locked.

The situation resembled Sadie Hawkins day. The girls edging around, and the boys squeezing in a corner near the exit from the gym. A girl came up and asked me to dance. As things went it wasn't so bad. I wished heartily, though, I'd taken those lessons when mother wanted me to take.

Answers are: (1) F.D. Lewis, principal, (2) George W. Paasch, boys' gym, (3) Florence Harper, orchestra, (4) Victor Smith, science, (5) Edith Lick, home economics, (6) Jan Vankonynenburg, librarian, (7) Etta D. Allen, science, (8) Ruth S. Gill, English, (9) Elaine Montague, clerk, (10) Aurora Nelson, mathematics, (11) Nora M. Barron, English.

R.T.S.

ENTER THE RAMBLER PICTURE-ARTIST CONTEST

From the pictures included in the exhibit by Ramsey artists now on display on the walls of the second floor corridors, the Rambler contest editor has listed ten pictures and ten artists.

To enter the contest visit the art exhibit. Then match the artist and his picture in this list.

For the first correct list submitted by entrants in each section of each grade, an award of five tickets to the noon movies will be made. The contest closes Thursday, December 19 at 3:15 p.m.

Danger Ahead.....John Liebeler
 Ouch!.....Harry Collias
 Hunting.....Barbara Collins
 The Battle.....Marion Flemming
 Too Much Jam.....Rosal Oldsoren
 Cannibals.....Arthur Galschutt
 Danger.....Mary L. Enger
 Here Doggie.....Donald Geil
 Afternoon Reverie.....Richard Pritikin
 Terror of the Deep.....Gloria Kjenstad

RAMBLER BOOK REVIEWER OFFERS

SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT BOOKS

1. Iron Doctor.....Agnes Hewes
 A story of deep sea diving and building the San Francisco Oakland bay bridge - \$2.00
2. Clear for Action.....Stephen Meader
 Jeff was captured while on the high seas, marooned on a lonely island during the war of 1812.-\$2.00
3. Come Colors Come.....Lucille Fargo
 Janet's new life in the Coeur D'Alene mountains meant more than just panning for gold. - \$2.00
4. Call of the Mountains....Gornolia Meigs
 A strong story of a lad's courageous efforts to work a deserted farm against strong opposition.-\$2.00
5. Highroad to Adventure...Howard Pease
 An exciting story of Todd Moran in Mexico. \$2.00
6. A Star for Hansi.....Marguerite Vance
 A story of a little German girl, Sophie, who solved her Christmas problem with an apple box. \$1.00
7. Uncle Toby's Christmas Book.....
 A book for all the family. \$.50
8. A Pint of Judgment. Elizabeth Morrow
 A Christmas story for children but grownups like it too. \$.50
9. The Rabbit's Nest. Elizabeth Morrow
 About the same Tucker family you read about in "A Pint of Judgment". \$.50
10. Christmas.....Roosevelt
 A story of a little girl, Marta, whose life was changed by the cruelties of war, told by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. \$.50



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

- Silent Night.....Gruber
 Orchestra
- The Heavens Are Telling.....Beethoven
 Orchestra and Band
- We Three Kings.....Traditional
 Hark, the Herald Angels Sing...Mendelssohn
 Boys' Glee Club
- Brahms' Lullaby.....Brahms
 Orchestra and Band
- Sing We All Noel.....Traditional
 French Carol
- Ave Maria.....Franz
 Schubert
- Silent Night.....Gruber
 Combined Girls' Glee Clubs
- Beautiful Saviour.....Melius
 Christiansen
 Orchestra, Band, Combined Choirs
- Today There is Ringing.....Christiansen
 Angels We Have Heard on High...Smart
 Gesu Bambino.....Pietro von
 Combined Mixed Glee Clubs
- Christmastide.....E. Delamater
 Orchestra, Band, Combined Choirs
- Silent Night.....Gruber
 Orchestra

SPORTS

HI-LITES FROM GIRLS' GYM

For defeating the 9A3's and 9A4's the speedball championship goes to the 9A1's.

When the 8B1's and 8A2's under the leadership of Ruth Anderson, 8B1, and Pat Hessian, 8A2, played for the eighth grade speedball championship December 4, Jean Jarsen, Caroline Funk, and Jacqueline Olsby, all 8B's, stood out for their catching of fly balls and strong kicking, while the 8A2's had good basemen. The 8A2's won with a score of 28-9.

We nominate for the "Best All Around Girl Athletes" for their respective grades:

- 7B - Joan Walgreen
- 7A - "pilly" Spice
- 8B - "Ellie" Balch
- 8A - Pat Hessian
- 9B - June Thompson
- 9A - "Sheve" Howard

The final badminton game was played Thursday, December 6. Peggy Dunnavan and Jean Ann Rosenbloom were victors over "Sheve" Howard and Mary Stevens.

POT SHOT

Connie Reigstad, 8A, 302, was up to kick during a speedball game, and instead of the ball, her shoe took a trip to the window ledge and stayed there. It was retrieved by members of the gym class.

The 7B Beatball champs are the 7B4's.

The ice skating season opens soon. Your newspapers will inform you of the opening dates. Many children are killed every year by skating on rinks and lakes that are not completely frozen over. If you want to save yourself a soaking and perhaps a life be sure the ice is SAFE.

P.B.

Ward off tuberculosis, buy Christmas seals

Washburn's basketball squad is expected to do great things this year. One of their ambitions is to become city champs.

Dave Ruliffson, one of their stars, was all-city last year and he is expected to be very good again. He is this year's captain and some of his team mates are Bob Polk, Matt and Paul Sutton, Dick Naugle, Bob Tustison, Jim Demos, and Ramsey's Mr. Tommeraasen's son Merle.

Coach Ray Ross has two former Ramseyites -- Dick Purrell and Don Lord, both sophomores on the team.

The Millers' first league game will be played January 17 against the mighty Vocational team.

Here's joining in with all Ramsey in wishing you luck.

M.B.

The gym classes are experimenting playing basketball a new way this year. The girls in the line stand at the sides of the gym instead of in front of the baskets.

Some of the gals seen on ski slides around Ramsey are Jean Brecke, 8B1, 311, Nancy Nightingale, 8A, Evelyn Johnson, 9B, Margaret Stewart, 9B, "Ellie" Balch, 8B2, 212.

The ninth grade speedball championship was played off December 12 between the 9B9's and the 9A1's.

At the end of the first half the 9B's were ahead 3 to 2, but the game ended 12-3 in favor of the 9A's.

STUDENTS VOTE TO SUPPORT HOCKEY RINK

After a week of discussion in home room and larger group meetings, Washburn students voted December 13 to support the hockey rink for the 1941 season. Leonard A. Fleenor, assistant principal, announced today.

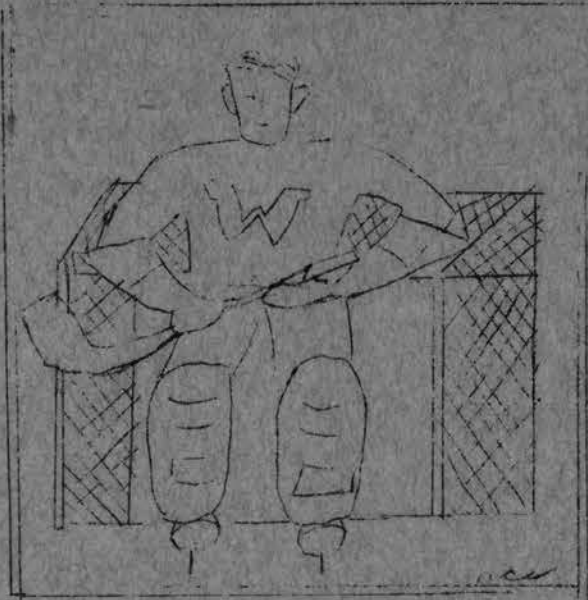
Besides the rink for Washburn there will be additional skating open to Ramsey students and the public. In talking to our reporter Mr. Fleenor said, "Ramsey has always supported our football games so we are glad to have them enjoy skating over here."

T.O.



Sports

HI-Y



Ramsey's annual ice carnival is scheduled for January 24. Why not plan to be there; all your friends will. It's to be held at the Arena, 2900 Dupont avenue south. Don't forget the date, January 24.

MILLERS TROUNCE OMAHA KNIGHTS 4-3

In the game against Minneapolis Wednesday, December 11, the Knights scored two in the first period to the Millers' one tally. In the second period the Millers tied the score. Minneapolis scored again, putting the score at 3-2. The Knights scored again tying the score at 3-3. The Millers came back to put the game on ice as they scored again in the third period. The game ended 4-3 in favor of the Millers.

WHO'S WHO IN HOCKEY

This boy is no stranger in Minneapolis hockey, as he was with the Millers last season. He is 28 years of age, weighs 190 pounds and plays defense position. He was secured in a trade with Kansas City last year. He played with the Millers some years ago before going to the Chicago Black Hawks. He is the captain of the Millers. Guess who he is. For the Answer look at the bottom of the column.

TUMBLER TRIES A FLIP: IT'S A FLOP

While practicing on doing "flips" at the tumbling club Wednesday, November 27, Tom Hoy, 8B3, 211, overdid it. He sprained his left wrist and hand. For about a week he has been carrying it around in a sling. Tom thinks tumbling is a lot of fun and is patiently waiting to catch up on what he has lost.

L.J.

PUT A CHRISTMAS SEAL ON EVERY LETTER

Among the Junior Hi-Y chapters at Ramsey, the Comets are one of the most active chapters. They were up and on a hike at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, November 19. They went to Hidden Falls.

On December 7, at 8 o'clock, they were off on another hike. Marvin Kahner, who is the chapter president, showed the most action by catching up with the boys at Lyndale park after an eight block run.

L.E.

BOXING IS POPULAR

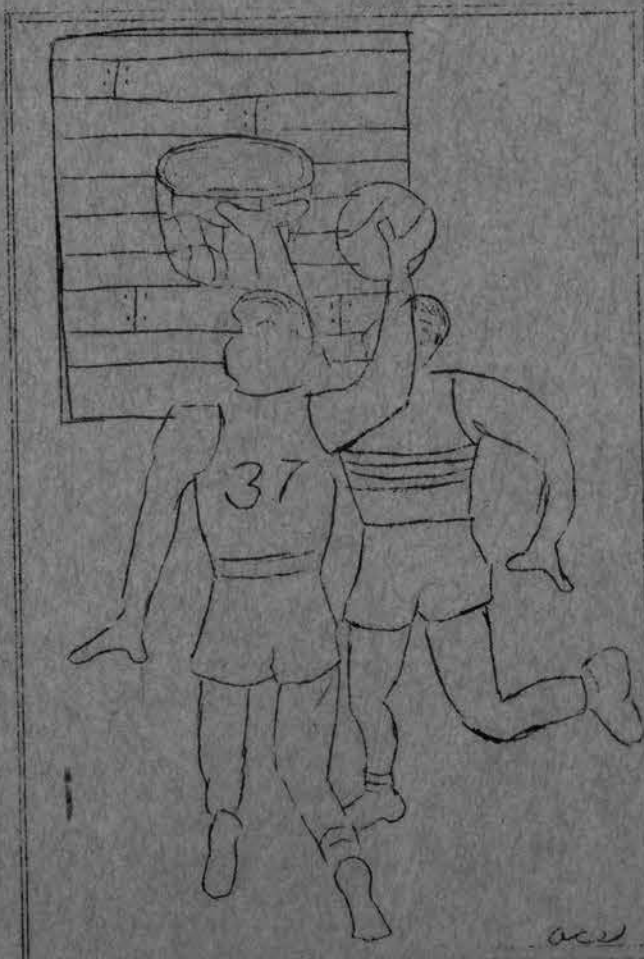
The boxing tournaments in the gym have been quite popular of late. Some of the best known figures are Jack Anderson, Joe Miller, Don Wamsley, Red Mellon, and Don Flikeid.

Sure, his name is Fat Shes

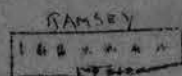
ANSWER TO WHO'S WHO

REFEREES FOR BASKETBALL

Bob Bergren - 208
Dick McFarland - 301
Jimmy Jackson - 208
Bill Holbe - 4C
Don Nelson - 110
David Mattheissen - 301
Marshall Ness - 4C
Bernard Hayes - 4B



SPEAKING OF THE NINE 'A'S —



Of the 1,568 pupils at Ramsey, 202, the present 9A class, will leave Ramsey January 24. Three of them will attend Roosevelt senior high and one is going to the new Southwest high school. The largest number, 198, will enter Washburn.

PREDICTIONS
AND
AMBITIONS

M. FARLAND - COACH



L. L. L. - CHAIRMAN



L. D. HEST - SEC.



BECKER - HONOR



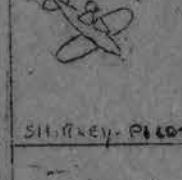
NIELSEN - PRES



CASE - TEACHER



SEFTON - COACH



SHIRLEY - PILOT



THOMPSON - TRAMP



HUCK - DOC



L. S. - RANCHER



CURRY - STAR

Andrews, David
Becker, Paul
Bergren, Robert
Carey, James
Considine, Clarence
Cruikshank, Robert
Devries, Bernard
Gauper, Richard
Haverstock, James
Huber, Robert
Jackson, James
Leighton, Dick
Lifson, Kalman
MacDonald, Bill
Baldwin, Wallace
Cooley, Burton
Berg, Marypaul
Boener, Charlotte
Curry, Virginia
Davidson, Phyllis
Dunnavan, Peggy
Johnson, Beverly
McEnary, Dorothy
McGrath, Lorraine
McLean, Carolyn
McMillan, Mary
Romano, Phyllis
Ross, Patty
Baxter, Vernon
Bergeron, Don
Jensen, Peter
Jordan, Donald
McConville, Giles
McFarland, Dick
McGeary, Roderick
Mattheissen, David
Miller, James
Mueller, Fred
Olson, Clifford
Peterson, William
Sefton, Bob
Shirley, Bob
Solberg, Bob
Thompson, James
Van Horn, Clifton
Borchardt, Alvina
Carlin, Jeanne
Corty, Gloria
Doty, Donna
Dufourd, Evelyn
Hill, Charlotte
Ohman, Betty
Olson, Corinne
Raymond, Geraldine
Rosenbloom, Jean Ann
Swanson, Loredythe
Volding, Claire
Wagner, Marian
Barth, Champ
Engberg, John
Gaylord, Richard
Guth, Jack
Jensen, Morris
Potter, Wilfred
Rasch, Thomas
Wallin, Kermit
Yeats, Joseph
Paulson, Gerald

Berdan, Elaine
Blegen, Dorothy
Case, Catherine
Des Marais, Sylvia
Martinson, Margaret
Mitchell, Lois
Paramore, Virginia
Park, Joy
Peterson, Muriel
Prescott, Frances
Ramsey, Lois
Rouen, Bernadette
Schwartz, Beverly
Stattman, Ruth
Sundberg, Marion
Swanson, Janis
Thorne, Gladys
Weinberg, Rosemary
Wallin, Lorraine
Whitman, Waneta
Winters, Betty
Carlson, Jean
Aschenbeck, Albert
Chamberlain, Louis
Clark, Warren
Couillard, Raymond
Ferris, Joe
Hawkinson, Richard
Holtzman, Wilmot
Livingston, Richard
Nelson, Donald
Randolph, Carl
Smith, Robert
Strand, Clarence
Strandberg, Carl
Sweet, Paul
Walters, James
Wineman, Jack
Zilka, Fred
Anderson, Delrose
Blaylock, Barbara
Blaylock, Jacquelyn
Chamberlain, Charlotte
Hinz, Candace
Hogan, Elayne
Holmgren, Mary Jane
Larson, Patricia
Lien, Doris
Matson, Elaine
Nelson, Audrey
Peterson, Jeanette
Peterson, Phyllis
Bullock, Bob
Butcher, Budd
Chapman, Dick
Davis, Robert
Eide, Ralph
Freeberg, Paul
Hayes, Bernard
Heffernan, James
Helte, William
Johnson, Frank
Johnson, Norman
Johnson, Robert E.
Johnson, Robert J.
Johnson, Tom
Kennedy, William
Klick, Bob

Kremer, Bob
Lasley, Jerry
Leubner, Don
Lindberg, Alfred
McEnary, David
McTaggart, Philip
Murdock, Allan
Ness, Marshall
Olderén, Roald
Olson, Frederick
Olson, Leonard
Peterson, Richard
Podany, Jack Paul
Pohren, Robert
Sanborn, Tom
Sengir, Thomas
Sheeran, Thomas
Sorenson, Henry
Teisberg, Carl
Vanvalkenburg, James
Westling, Oren
Wood, Richard
Wong, Robert
Harper, John
Allen, Leane
Amanson, JoAnn
Auld, Constance
Cheney, Julia
Clark, Gerry
Dalton, Helen
Daniels, Joan
Dempsey, Delores
Dinham, Loranda
Gavett, Joan
Hanson, Betty Lou
Henderson, Jean
Howard, Eva May
Johnson, Mary Jeanne
Johnson, Mildred
Jude, Suzanne
Kinney, Gloria
Lundquist, Dorothy
Miller, Catherine
Miller, Ruth
Murdock, Betty Ann
Neal, Mary Jane
Neal, Nancy
Nielson, Mary
Norby, Florence
Nugent, Jane
Palmer, Geraldine
Pecke, Patricia
Perrine, Jean Ann
Reuterdaahl, Gayle
Stanchfield, Sharon
Stevens, Mary
Strohmeier, Peggy
Tinkel, Joan
Tommeraasen, Mildred
Tritle, Betty Ann
Uppgaard, Vivian
Wash, Peggy

L.E.

Roving Reporter

JAY RICHTER, CITY NEWS MAN, MARRIES

PERSIS HARPER, DAUGHTER OF RAMSEY TEACHER

A wedding of special interest to Ramsey Rambler readers was that of Persis Glenn Harper, daughter of Mrs. Florence Harper, Ramsey's orchestra director, and Jay Junod Richter, a reporter on the staff of the Minneapolis Star Journal, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Richter, Albert Lea, which took place Saturday afternoon, November 30, at Lynnhurst Congregational Church. The Rev. Rodney L. McQuary read the service.

The chancel was banked with ferns and chrysanthemums. Lighted candles in tall standards stood at either side.

Through the stained glass windows the mid-afternoon sunlight streamed making a colorful setting.

While the guests were being seated, Miss Barbara McQuary, organist, played a program including "Liebestraum" by Liszt, "Andante Cantabile" by Tschaiakovsky, "To a Wild Rose", by MacDowell, and "Ave Maria" by Schubert.

To the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march played by the organist the wedding party assembled as Dr. McQuary took his place before the altar.

Mrs. Mark Forgette was matron of honor, Frank Claybourne was best man, and Fred D. Lewis, Ramsey's principal, gave the bride away.

During the service, Miss Helen Mueller sang "I Love Thee" by Edward Grieg, and "I Love You Truly" by Carrie Jacobs Bond.

The bride wore a honey colored light weight wool dress and jacket embroidered in contrasting colors. Over her turban, which matched the material of her dress, she wore a brown shoulder length veil. She carried a bouquet of white and yellow roses.

Mrs. Forgette, the matron of honor, wore a softly tailored sheer wool dress in moss green, and a brown turban. Her flowers were bronze chrysanthemums.

Following a reception for the bridal party and close friends of the families at the Leamington, Mr. and Mrs. Richter left for a trip to Mexico City.

They will be at home, on their return, at 5100 Nicollet Avenue.

Dorothy Burckhardt

CALLING PAUL HAMMER

A Rambler reporter coming into the office in search of a news story at the beginning of the third period, Monday, December 2, didn't have long to wait.

"Please send Paul Hammer to the office," Miss Betty Evanson Ramsey Clerk, was saying as she called 107, the woodshop, from her switchboard.

A few minutes later, in hurried a boy, carrying a good sized hammer. He dashed up to the counter and said, "Who wants this hammer?"

B.W.

put a Christmas Seal on every letter.

CIVICS STUDENTS VISIT GLEN LAKE SANITARIUM,

TALK WITH DR. E.S. MARIETTE.

To get first hand information about Glen Lake Sanitarium, Hennepin County's largest health rehabilitation center, 43 students from Ramsey's civics classes, supervised by Marvin Johnson, counselor, visited the sanitarium Tuesday afternoon, December 3.

Dr. E. S. Mariette, chief of staff, and one of the nation's recognized authorities on tuberculosis, met the group on their arrival there, and conducted them to the auditorium, where he explained the organization and maintenance.

The Sanitarium has a capacity of 700 beds. About 72% of its support comes from taxes. The state allows \$5.00 per week for each patient, he said.

"Glen Lake gets no direct revenue from the sale of Christmas seals as this money is used to help maintain clinics and provide funds to employ visiting nurses for Hennepin county," stated Dr. Mariette.

A person is eligible for treatment there who has been a resident of the county for 12 months.

The scale of charges depends upon the patient's ability to pay; the maximum charge is \$22.50 a week for a resident of the county.

The usual length of time per patient in the sanitarium is 16 to 17 months.

Dr. Mariette pointed out that treatment is voluntary except in cases where a patient is proven to be a menace to the public. That group he said, comprises only 2% of Glen Lake's population.

"Rest alone is sufficient to effect a full recovery in 50% of our cases, but, where it fails to produce the desired results other methods are resorted to, heliotherapy (sun treatment) and surgery."

The monotony of the routine of the patient's life in the sanitarium is somewhat relieved by listening to the radio, reading, having visitors, attendance at school classes, occupational therapy, vocational rehabilitation, and movies once a week.

Religious services are conducted every Sunday.

Dr. Mariette emphasized, "The important things in combating tuberculosis are intelligent education of the public, prompt treatment of active cases, and provision of a sufficient number of sanitariums to care for all cases."

Judith Dudley, 9B4

WASHBURN'S HONOR STUDENTS ARE FORMER RAMSEYITES

Washburn's four top ranking honor students of the January '41 class are Betty Freeman, 5644 Wentworth, Carol Hendrickson, 5101 Tenth Avenue South, and Mary J. Lothberg, 4227 Nicollet, all valedictorians, and Helen J. Tenney, 4904 Third Avenue South, salutatorian, announced A.E. MacQuarrie, Washburn's principal, Sunday, December 8. All four attended Ramsey Junior High School, which is a boost to Ramsey.

Dear Santy:



To help you in sorting out your Christmas gifts we have a few suggestions.

Please give some poor tire company those rubber boots the girls are wearing.

Louis Howard, 9B, 111, would like a pair of hard toe hockey skates.

A new baton for Clarence Hegg, our band leader, since he broke one of his last week when it dropped.

For the mice who were evicted from the piano, a new home.

Please arrange things so a girl named Marilyn can come to Ramsey, instead of Jefferson, for Bill Waller, 9B6, 2, misses her.

Lyle Nash, 7B7, 100, asks you to see that James Olson, 7B7, 100, gets plenty of cowboy books.

Reams and reams of paper for Charles Sylvester, 7B2, 102, and Jim Root, 7B3, 209, so they can continue to publish their paper, The Washburn Chronicle.

Phyllis Jean Snyder, 7B7, 100, says, "Give Mr. Lewis a lot for Christmas. He sure deserves it for he's given us so many lovely programs."

To Jess Bickelhaupt, 7B1, 207, one of those electric jig saws for his workshop.

A lead in the 9A class play for Bob Blaustone, 9B3, 200, his friend, K.F., 9B, recommended it.

Marilyn Kelley, 7B1, 207, would like a campfire uniform.

John Bolander, 7B1, 207, is getting a little impatient. He says, "Please send me that partition for my room downstairs that I asked for last Christmas."

Howard Reedy, 9BX, 303, thinks Jim Knight, 9BX, 303, would like a dog to help him deliver his morning papers.

A subscription to "The Shadow" for Jay Berkin, 9B1, 205.

Don Heyer, 7B6, 213, says "Please drop some more good movies down Ramsey's chimney."

To Ramseyites a letter from Carl Vitz, city librarian, saying he will postpone closing Junior High School libraries of the Minneapolis Public Library.

A swimming pool for Ramsey would be the best of all, boys' gym classes agree.

For Tom Carrol, 7B4, 103, John Stout, 7B5, 305, and Edward Carlson, 7B5, 305 new rulers. Mary Ann Hitchcock's, 7B7, 100, has traveled too much.

B.O'R.

