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MERRY CHRISTMAS SPRAG



SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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SCHOOLS MUST CLOSE, BOARD RULES

SPRINGFIELD HIGH TEAMS TO MEET TWINSBURG TONIGHT

One of Springfield's most important games of the present basketball season will be played tonight on the local gym floor when Twinsburg boys and girls are met.

The girls' game is expected to have much bearing on the county league championship. Both teams look strong enough to go through the season successfully after tonight's tilt.

Twinsburg girls have been county champions for the past two years. They are out to add another cup to their collection.

The local sextet expect to give them plenty of opposition.

Twinsburg boys are strengthened this year by the addition of Shellburn to the lineup--a forward from one of the Cleveland high schools.

Coach Hadfield's boys are anticipating a merry skirmish in their half of the evening's program.

The girls' game starts at 7:30.

DRAMATIC CLUB AND EIGHTH GRADE TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This afternoon at 2:00 the following program will be given in the auditorium by the Dramatic club and the eighth grade:

Musical Selection Springf. Revellers
Recitation Alta Kurtz
Song Mildred Mendenhall
Music Amos Holland, Twyman Riley
Playette, Cowboy's Christmas-- Eighth Grade
Recitation Ruby Adkins
Monologue Lucille Walker
Vocal Selection Vera Grace Snyder
Christmas Gifts Edward Cochran
Christmas Carols Audience
History of Christmas Marian Markle
Song Agnes Holland
Pantomime Eighth Grade
Song "We Three Kings of the Orient" June Nolte, Paul Sewell and Edward Cochran
Dialogue, Scrooge's Nephew-- Fax Myers and Jas. Shepherd
Springfield Revellers
Recitation Winifred Chapman
Specialty Marjorie Switzer
Recitation Wilda Shepherd
Christmas Skit-- Members of the Dramatic Club

MASS MEETING OF RESIDENTS TO BE HELD

At its last regular meeting the township board of education adopted a resolution to close all township schools on Friday, January 20.

This action was necessary because of lack of funds with which to finance education in this township.

The residents of all the school districts in the township are to meet in the high school auditorium next Tuesday night, December 27 to discuss the situation.

Some action will be taken at this time to bring pressure to bear on the state authorities to relieve the situation.

Parents are urged to attend this meeting. Pupils of all the schools are asked to tell their parents.



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WHY HONOR STUDENTS?

The journalism class made an investigation into the factors that contribute toward achieving success as an honor student.

A questionnaire was handed to each of the pupils on the list published in the last SPRAG. Some interesting information was secured.

All except two out of the twenty admitted they like to study; these two, however, said they aspire to class honors.

Two said they did not merit the grades they had received, then admitted later they did not know the meaning of merit,--so asked that their answer be changed.

Eleven expect to attend college and three others business college.

There were nine members of Haromano, six girl scouts, one boy scout, three basketball players, and two members of dramatic club.

Seven study at home at night Two have some help from someone at home, five get none, and thirteen do no studying at home.

All but one have a definite study schedule.

All except three make use of the library. Six admit they cram for examinations. Fifteen take notes in classes.

As to choice of vocation, four expect to become nurses, six teachers, six secretaries or stenographers, one musician and one engineer.

Six of the twenty honor students have had double promotions at some time.

Eleven have perfect attendance for the year; one has been absent for eleven days; five have missed but one day; two, two days, and one, six days.

The one whom everyone expects to be valedictorian of the class of 1934 DOES NOT LIKE TO STUDY!

Probably some of the above facts may induce others to try to make the next honor roll by being on the job every day and seeing that <u>every</u> grade is at least 90%.

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BIG TRAGEDY HITS S.H.S.

One of the wierdest and most baffling mysteries ever befalling a school has hit Springfield. Fourteen dead, two wounded and one missing. That is what Mr. Myers and Mr. Simmermacher are facing today.

Since the tragedy a few weeks ago there has perveded a hushed atmosphere around the murder room. The bodies are being held in the coroners room on the second floor for further investigation and there are secret service men everywhere.

Mr. Myers lies awake nights wondering if his little kidnaped friend is being tortured or if he is dead. The mails are being watched daily for ransom letters but as yet none have appeared and all hopes are fast dying. This suspence is terrible.

The victims of this unmerciful fiend were friends of everyone, the whole student body loved them and miss them.

Their names? You'll have to ask Mr. Simmermacher about that since the list is so long and the space so scarce, but somehow I don't believe gold fish have names.

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SENIOR NEWS

The senior girls class basketball team will hold a party Tuesday January 2, at the home of Verlene Dye.

The seniors are still expecting their class rings.

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ALUMNI

Mrs. Elsie Rhodes Justhan, graduate of the class of 1931, died Tuesday at the city hospital. She has been ill for several weeks.

Services will be held Friday, at 2 p.m., at the Lakemore church.

Mrs. Maxine Beech Shauger visited her friends and relatives in Lakemore recently.

Several friends of Mrs. Fay Switzer, the former Marian Ewing, surprised her with a shower at her home in Lakemore.

Mrs. L. M. Raymen was happily surprised recemtly when some of her friends showered her with gifts at the home of Marian Markle.

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The senior class held their regular class meeting Tuesday minus their president, vice president, secretary and treasurer- and most of the class.

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AN INTERCEPTED LETTER TO SANTA

Springfield High
December ;2, 1932

DearSanta Claus,

It 's a long time since any of us have written to you but we never fail to look in our stockings on Christmas morning and thanks nearly always rembering us. Y will probably get a lot of lett from the freshies as they are still fresh enough for most anything and perhaps a few sopho will write altho they are b g - ning to strut as upper-classmen already. We don't think you will ear from the juniors as they ave not yet recovered their equilibrium since getting their class weaters.

Dear Santa, it is the seniors who most need your care at this time. Pretty soom we will be out in the world and we want to be ready. Some of us would like to be fatter and most of us would donate a few pounds. We would all like curly hair, especially the boys.

Won't you please put the big flag, Eva asked for, in her stocking. It 's plenty bit enough.(The stocking, we mean.) And perhaps you could help out the Board of Education financially, although if the school closes we will not be unduly depressed for with plenty of ice and snow we could still find life worth living.

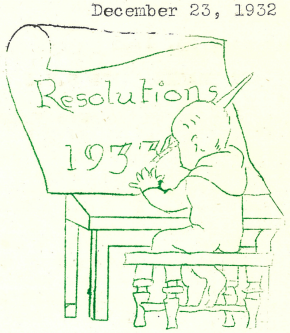
Please put a large slice of success in our misused relatives' stocking.

Most sincerely yours,
The Seniors

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"GREETINGS, GUS"

Gus Ballas, a great friend of the school children and a financial backer of student activities, is all enthused over the Twinsburg game. In fact he is going to attend the game in person, the first game he has ever witnessed.Incidentally this is the first in the past eight years he has left his business alone. We'll be looking for you, Gus.



Basketball teams:
To take over Twinsburg and all other opponents this year.

Faculty: To make a two weeks' pay check do the work of two months.

Custodian: To clean out the desks in assembly hall twice daily.

Miss Mitchell: To stop using sarcasm.

B. Whims: To try to keep her two feet within the six foot center circle.

John Brown: To quit poking Jr. Smart.

Eddie Cochran: To try "spoofing" his teachers.

Mr. Hadfield: To like the "Sprag" despite its dirty digs.

Mr. "X": "To knock about three teachers in the head."

Orchestra: To be independent.

Mr. Lynch: To fire the whole Sprag staff.

Staff: To get a new sponsor.

Barbara Ann: To teach my dad to sing lullabies.

Mr. Simmermacher: To try to remember all the music he's forgotten.

Freshies: To get their names in the SPRAG.

SPRINGFIELD HIGH EIGHTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Room 25--Mildred Caughron, Willian Johnson, Vinnie Fuller, June Stephonson, Eutha Mae Mourey, Marie Wise, Esther Lynch, Sue Williams, and Mondel Riley.

Room 24--Darold Stine, Ruth Stevinx, Shirley Jarret, Ted Zimmerman, and June Anderson.

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SAWYERWOOD PLANS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Sawyerwood grade school is planning a Christmas party on Thursday afternoon. It is being financed by the different orginizations in Sawyerwood.

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SPRINGFIELD GRADES WIN TWO

Springfield eighth grade boys and girls won two basketball games from Lakemore seventh graders last Thursday, December 15. The girls had a fairly easy time winning 15-2 and the boys, 13-7.

The boys' game was fairly exciting. Mr. Clark used the smallest boys on his squad to even up the struggle. Only a small crowd paid admission to see the game.

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Peninsula, Northfield Boys In Victories

Wednesday night of this week four county high schools met in league games. Northfield boys won over Tallmadge 31 to 12, while the fast Peninsula outfit downed Hudson 37-24, [illegible]. Northfield girls, led by Horn star center forward, who made 18 points herself, won from the Tallmadge girls, 25 to 7.

Hudson girls won over Peninsula, 20 to 5, Bissel of Hudson accounting for 14.

Orlowske was the star of the evening for the Peninsula boys. His shooting from all angles was spectacular, as a majority of them regestered.

Other LEAGUE GAMES This Week

Twinsburg	At Springfield
Norton	At Macedonia
Richfield	At Copley
Stow	At Chagrin Falls (Non-League)

UNDEFEATED BOYS TEAMS
SPRINGFIELD, Peninsula
Norton, Richfield
Twinsburg.

UNDEFEATED GIRLS TEAMS

SPRINGFIELD Twinsburg
Mogadore Northfield
Clinton

VACATION GAMES SCHEDULED

Coach Hadfield has scheduled two practice games during vacation week for his boys' squads. On Wednesday night they meet the Switzer Service Station team in a charity tilt at Sawyerwood; and on Thursday night the two squads will play two teams at Uniontown high school.

Mr. Hadfield feels that these games will be just as beneficial as the same number of practice sessions would have been.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL REVISES ADMISSION PRICES

At a meeting last week for the purpose of considering a reduction in basketball game admission prices, the Athletic council adopted the following plan:

Tickets purchased at school from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the day of a home game will cost students 10 cents and adults 20 cents.

After 5 p.m. the regular admission prices will prevail as this is uniform thruout the county. In this manner, the local supporters of the athletic teams are given a break in reduced prices, while all others will pay the same as local fans must pay when attending away-from-home games.

This new plan pleases all.

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Santa Claus decided to be real good to the seniors. Their rings arrived today. And are they proud of them?

TEACHERS HAVE VARIOUS PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS VACATION

Mr. Lynch: "I'll spend most of my time in the vicinity of Ellet".

Miss Mitchell: "I'm planning to spend my vacation in Detroit".

Mrs. Slife: "Having Christmas dinner at my husband's home in Canton at noon, and dinner at my home in Columbus Christmas evening.

Miss Mellinger: "At home in Alliance. Will spend Christmas day in Youngstown."

Mr. Clark: "At Marion, Ohio, with my mother and father."

Miss Whalen: "To go places, do things, and see people". (And is he nice?)

Mr. Myers: "At Strassburg with my folks, doing nothing in particular".

Mr. Simmermacher: "At Cleveland and Willard, Ohio. Lack of funds makes my plans indefinite."

Mrs. Reed: "To rest quietly at home.

Mr. Hadfield: "Be with my basketball team most of the time. Try to recover from the flu."

Mr. Schropp: "I have to work, but will find time to play with Bob's new Christmas toys."

MANY VISIT SPRINGFIELD HIGH

Alumni and former students visiting the high school this week were: Evelyn Herzog, Donna Eisenhart, now of South High. June Prince of Suffield; Byron Claflin of Mogadore, Robert Iden, class of 1932, now attending Western Reserve University at Cleveland.

Mr. John F. Moore, head of the biology department in Barberton high school, visited here Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Helen Nicely, niece of Mr. Lynch, and junior at East high also visited Springfield Wednesday.

At a meeting of the girls' basketball squad today noon , Janet Richards was elected captain for this season. Congratulations to you, Janet. Merry Christmas!

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Wouldn't it be a nice fad if all the men wore short pants like Jack L. in "Be An Optimist"!

All the girls fell hard for Bill M. for the way he makes love.

Violets are blue,
Bluets are bluer,
If I were a knocker
I'd jump in a sewer

We wonder if there is any thruth(pardon the lithp)to those rumors that Dan Cupid is about to wreck the membership of the senior class? New Years Day will tell.

A new way to gain popularity has been found out by a girl at our school. Try fainting-it's a good way.

MrLynch:"I am awfully worried about my wife!"
Mr Hadfield:-"Whats the matter with your wife?"
Mr Lynch:- "She has my car out!"

We print this in apology to the underclassmen for having all upperclassmen on this page last edition.

Leona W:-"But my mother objects to kissing!"
Joe Miller:-"Gosh, I didn't want to kiss her!"

Add Famous Excuses: Dan Wolfe- "Hadda go git m' chicken."

"Illness in the family was due to Ruth's absence."



Suggestions To Santa

Dear Santa: Please give heed to the following needs at SHS.

All of us--More leisure time.
B.B. Teams--Lots of good luck.
School Board--State aid.
Hi-Y Boys--Ability to stay away from Haromano meetings.
Mr. Lynch--A book on how to pay off school creditors with no money.
Faculty--Their back pay.
Mary W. and Donna R.-A new set of nerves.
Janet R. and Evelyn Tovey.--An anti-giggle device.
Kinney and Lennox--A new list of excuses for staying out.
Jennings Sisler--A silencer.
All of us--Better conduct grades.
School--100 tons of coal; assurance of an eight month school term.
Journalism class-New ideas for SPRAG
E. Hazle and J. McIntyre-Pink fur-lined earmuffs for the trips to Sawyerwood.
Bob Dornan-A new supply of jokes.
Mrs. Slife--Some "common sense" for her French class.
Mr. Moore--A new sled to go a-sliding on.
Mr. Hadfield--Three bushels of walnuts.
Mr. Schropp--A paper baler for torn up paper in assembly hall.
Joe Honer--A toy for history class.