

School Gets Brush Tape Recorder

The school has recently bought a Brush Tape Recorder called the "Sound Mirror." The tape used for this machine is made of Mica. Because of the greater frequency in a tape recorder, it is much better than a wire recorder. This particular type of recorder is used by many broadcasting stations to record programs outside of their studios.

This new purchase is intended to be used by all departments of the school and especially by the music, dramatics, and language departments. It will also be used as Audio-aid for all types of instruction.

Will Induct New Honor Society Members

An assembly for the purpose of inducting new members into the National Honor Society will be held on February 25.

The West Lampeter Chapter of the National Honor Society was begun in 1940. The National Honor Society was organized to put more emphasis upon scholastic interest, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students.

Membership is based upon scholarship, service, leadership, and character. In order to be eligible to membership in the society, students must have a scholarship rank in the upper third of their class and must excel in the other qualities. Not more than 15 per cent of the senior class may be elected to the society by the end of the senior year.

The following members of the class of '49 are in the National Honor Society: Shirley Lefevre, Arlene McKinney, and Stella Steinman. These members will assist in the induction in February.

Appreciation

The directors of the MLHS school district wish to express their appreciation to the classes of 1948 and '49 for the fine gift to the school. New curtains were an urgent need here and the cooperation of the two classes to make this possible, is very commendable.

School Calendar

February

- 18—Booster Club—Film show
- 18—Eighth Grade Assembly
- 25—National Honor Society Assembly
- 26—Senior Supper

March

- 4—Junior Play Skit Assembly
- 5—Junior Play
- 18—Tenth Grade Assembly
- 25—Booster Club—Film show
- 26—Gym show

Will Communism Prosper in '49

As this paper goes to press 1949 is in full swing. What will this year hold for the nations over the world? During the past year we have read and studied the economic and social conditions of many countries. The conditions in Europe have improved considerably over those in 1947. However there is still much to be accomplished on this continent. China is at war against the Communistic forces which threaten to overthrow their government. Russia is trying to spread Communism while the United States is trying to stop Communism.

These problems are continuing into 1949. What is your outlook? With the democratic government that our nation offers we should continue to prosper. However these various problems must be met and solved. We can do our part by respecting our leaders and the legislation which executives continue to diligently lay before us.

BETWEEN THE BOOK-ENDS

By-Line Dannie by Neta Lohnes Frazier.

Dannie Morton wanted to be a newspaper woman. She had been sure of that ever since the time at North Central High when she had promised Bob Molly that she would go to college and help him run a newspaper some day.

Of course, money for college was a problem. If only Pat, Dannie's older sister, were not planning to marry Bill when he came home from Germany. Or if only the Morton's new little house had not taken all the family's ready cash. Dannie decided to spend the summer earning money. And what an exciting summer it was. How Dannie solved her problems makes this an exciting adventure story.

Don Marshall, Announcer by Edward Ford.

Thousands of boys would like to become radio announcers. This book tells the story of one boy who did something about it.

Starting out on a summer job with a small Florida station, Don learns the job the whole way, from the bottom up. He acts as a telephone operator, as a disc jockey and general handyman. Don finds himself in hot water more than once and the way he survives these episodes makes the book an interesting one.

To Initiate Five

June Houser, Pat Keener and Joanne Brubaker have been selected from the senior class for membership in the Honor Society. Martha Rex and Elizabeth Weaver from the 11th grade have also been selected.

"It is better drive slowly and be laughed at than to drive fast and be cried over" — June Houser.

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS AT WLHS



Left to Right—Patty Landis, Arlene Barley, Patsy Shell, Grace Mylin, Nancy Rentschler, Patsy Keener. The arousing cheers and noisy yells of this energetic group have helped to provide our basketball games with much enthusiasm.

Two from WLHS Play In District Orchestra

Concert is Presented By Amvets Chorus

The Junior Class sponsored a concert by the Amvet Chorus, which was given in the West Lampeter High School building, January 15, at 8 o'clock P. M.

The chorus of 25 voices was under the direction of Mr. Jack Ryan, with Mr. Richard Walk at the piano.

The chorus opened the program by singing a group of sacred songs, followed by Chanteys, etc. Solos were sung by various persons of the organization.



"GUESS WHO"

Since the bell for lunch hour had just rung, the kiddies were scurrying to get in their seats. This was Valentine's Day and school would be dismissed at 2:00 o'clock instead of at the usual time.

Now was the big moment when Miss Tucker would pass out the Valentines from the big box in the corner of the room. Oh! to get the most Valentines in school was a big thrill, especially for little Tom who was competing with his brother Jack, in the next grade.

It so happened that Tom had a special girl friend, Susie Long, who sat in the seat in front of him. To get a Valentine from Susie would have made him the happiest boy in town. But hark! What could that white envelope be lying on Tommy's desk? With trembling hands he tore open the envelope and found inside

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District Orchestra was held January 14, 15, and 16. About 140 pupils from the Southern District spent three days at Mannheim Twp. High School. Powell Middleton, professor of music at West Chester State Teachers College directed the orchestra.

The program was made up of six numbers. "The Port Royal Suite" was a number for string orchestra. Robert Shumann's Symphony No. 4, Twelve Contradances by Beethoven, Der Rosenkavalier Waltzes by Strauss, and "Russian" and "Isolde" were some of the compositions from classical composers. "Revival", a medley of several Negro spirituals by Norton Gould and "Czech Rhapsody", was composed of several selections in the more modern vein.

Representing West Lampeter were Joanne Brubaker, senior cello player, and Martha Rex, the junior who played the flute.

Another WLHS Poll Reveals Odd Facts

It probably won't come true, but it's fun to dream sometimes, isn't it? I am speaking of "the expression of a desire," a wish.

Recently a poll was taken among the students and faculty of W. L. H. S. as to what they would choose if granted one wish.

These are the results:

Billy Myers—"Never see another girl in my life."

Harper Calloway—"Wish for gym every day and therefore get out of Biology Class."

"Mazie" Herr — "I wish I wouldn't be quite so stout."

Roy Esbenshade—Wishes for a Model A Ford.

Dorinda Howry — "Get through lunch line in one piece."

Harold Herr—"I wish I had three other wishes."

John Burkholder—Wishes he were a millionaire.

Darwin Eckman—"I wish I had more time for study."

Mr. Finkelday — "Earlier retirement for school teachers."

So there you have it; what would your wish be?

Junior High Cheerleaders Active

Newly established last year, this year's Junior High cheerleaders are very active. Although they don't attend the away games we get a chance to see them in action at each home game.

Junior High cheerleading provides a stepping stone to Junior Varsity and perhaps even Varsity cheerleading. The two freshmen and one eighth grader who supply pep for the Junior High basketball games are Shirley Erb, Florence Quinn and Doris Burkins. Their activities include:

Shirley Erb: Girl Reserves, Spanish Club, Hockey (manager), Junior High Chorus, Cheerleading.

Florence Quinn: Junior High Chorus, Junior Girl Reserves, Library Club, Cheerleading.

Doris Burkins: Cheerleading, Music Club (vice-president), Junior High Chorus (accompanist), Dramatics Club, Band, Class Secretary, We La Hi Times.

49'ers Will be Yearbook Theme

The 49'ers have been selected, by the present Senior Class, as the theme for their yearbook. Why?

In 1848, gold was discovered in California. As a result of this discovery, everyone left their homes, in 1849, and traveled in their covered wagons to California in search of gold. These people became known as the 49'ers.

Since this is the one hundredth anniversary of the gold rush, the Seniors have chosen this as the theme for their yearbook. All illustrations on the division pages of the book will be based on this historical event.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Lincoln was famous for his simplicity. Many stories have been told about his hilarious experiences.

One of these stories is told as follows:

Lincoln was riding in a train a short distance from a town. At this time he was President of the United States. The engineer blew the whistle with a steady shriek. He didn't realize he was blowing off all the steam the engine had in store. He ran out of wood and was forced to stop to cut wood. Most of the passengers obligingly got out and helped him. Among these was Lincoln. The people were astonished that the President of the United States would stoop so low as to help a trainman collect wood.

Of course, today we recognize this as an honorable deed, but even the Great Emancipator considered himself one of the simplest of men.

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WHY ARE WE IN SCHOOL?

The answer to this question may seem self evident. But apparently to many now in school it is not self evident. The inescapable truth remains that the main function of the school is to educate youth for the duties and responsibilities of present and future citizenship. This doesn't mean that we have to believe all we hear and see in the world today. But we must learn to discriminate.

Granted that it is important to learn proper habits and attitudes, it is also important to learn skills and techniques. We must also learn the how and why of things.

In this modern world of vast contrasts, we must know some answers to the problems of mathematics, science, English, social studies and other fields. It is high time that more emphasis be placed on scholarship and that students have a genuine regard for high standards of scholastic standing. It does actually matter whether we know or whether we do not know.

Our parents expect teachers to teach such things as grammar, composition, principles of art, laws of science, and facts of history and other forms of general knowledge.

It is not uncommon, I regret to say, that in West Lampeter High School we have students who deliberately will not make high grades because they do not wish to incur the displeasure of their group. They do not wish to be termed "apple polishers." I have detected this attitude even down as low as grade four. What an alarming state of affairs! At this point I wish to call upon parents for co-operation with the school in helping to establish proper study habits and a higher regard for superior class standing. Parents can help. Now we cannot all be teachers, preachers, doctors, and lawyers. But we can try to improve ourselves so that whatever vocation we get into, we can become the best of whatever we do. It takes something special, too, today to farm, to lay bricks, and even to perform the functions of general labor.

In letters I receive from past seniors, the thing they talk about most of all is the teaching of their past teachers or the disciplinary control exercised over them while in school. I think this would be sufficient reason alone to realize why WE ARE IN SCHOOL.

Now, how can we become better students. Well, first, we must want to be better students. Second, we must have seriousness of purpose. (Smedley Butler called this "tenacity of purpose".) Third, we must study—this involves a desk, a light, paper and pencil and old-fashioned concentration. This means a quiet corner, away from crying babies and blaring radios. Fourth, performance in the class room. Fifth, a follow through with your teachers to check progress. This is not prohibi-

OFFICERS OF THE WLHS Y-TEENS



Standing, left to right—Mary Kreider, president; Janet Graybill, vice-president. Others shown are students doing Red Cross work such as making stuffed elephants, etc.

Y-Teens Prove to Be An Active Organization

The Y-Teens for junior high girls, which was formerly called the Girl Reserves, is sponsored by the Y. W. C. A. Y-Teen, a national organization, is the branch of the Y. W. C. A. that is adapted to teen-agers.

The purpose of the club is to help girls spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially, to train for abundant living, and to provide wholesome recreation.

The following girls are officers of the club: President, Mary Kreider; Vice-President, Janet Graybill; Secretary, Dorothy Mowery; Treasurer, Elva Harnish; Inter-Club Representative, Gloria Neal.

During the meetings held each Wednesday, the girls have carried on discussions on etiquette; given talent programs, and held parties. At the present they are making stuffed toys and knitting an afghan for the Junior Red Cross. In the future they plan to attend special activities at the "Y" in Lancaster, such as a covered dish supper or a splash party. They will also have service projects.

County-wide Y-Teen activities are held at the "Y" in Lancaster. These activities include the Recognition Service, the Hanging of the Greens, and regular meetings of the Inter-Club Council.

Students in the past have done it and you can do it too.

The high school, through its National Honor Society, recognizes superior performances. The class of 1944 had the biggest percent of students with a general average of 85 or better. Since then, we noticed a steady decline. Why?

This article is not to be interpreted that West Lampeter does not have some good students. There are many. But there are also many who are wasting their time.

The school also recognizes that there are other qualities extant in good students and that there are different types of instruction for different types of students. This article is meant for those who can, but won't.

I hope that the new year and the beginning of the second half of the school year will inspire you to do the best you can and study your lessons diligently from day to day. Your teachers will expect nothing less.

Supervising Principal
Robert L. Adams,

Crafts Club Plans Varied Activities

In order to develop new hobbies, members of the Crafts Club are working at various types of handicraft. Some are buying wooden trays, jewelry boxes, rings, bracelets, etc., and paintings or carving designs on them. Others are interested in oil painting.

Procter and Gamble, the makers of Ivory Soap, are offering a contest on sculpturing. Those interested will carve a figure from a piece of soap and make their entry.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Barr this club is accomplishing much in furthering artistic abilities. They have one officer, the Secretary-Treasurer. Esther Doner fills this position.

RUMORS OF HUMOR

Well, we have been out again sneaking from room to room and through the hall. We had our shovels with us looking for dirt, and this is what we've dug up. We noticed Bonnie Sheaffer on the floor before Marguerite Roland.

Will someone please inform Paul Eshleman that Pittsburgh is in Southwestern Pennsylvania? He insists it is in the North, and Paul never makes mistakes! We want to prove this one.

Have you been wondering why Mary Ann Hunt sits around day-dreaming? Well, it is just because of Danny, that nice little soldier boy.

Faye Rineer has a planned and shining future. Does the future include Herman Greer?

The Y-Teen Club has been doing some knitting but it seems that one girl is especially interested. It has been rumored that she is knitting stockings for Harold Burkhart.

Not all lockers contain living animals. Betty Lefevre has a furry one with a tail in hers. It seems to keep company with her at lunch sometimes.

1. Why does Ed Appel walk past Leibs every night after basketball practice? Have you forgotten where the Howry residence is?

2. The most popular boy in the 9-G section is Glenn Hess. I wonder why? Might it be because of all the candy he supplies?

3. Why did Mrs. Barr almost run out of the 9-A Art class in fright? It wasn't because of a toy mouse, or was it?

POETRY CORNER



After a long hard winter,
We yearn for signs of spring—
Violets, grass and crouses,
And robins on the wing.

But ere this season comes
around,
Bringing sunny skies above—
We've set aside a special day—
Dedicated, entirely to love.

We tell our parents, teachers,
friends—
Our love for them is true,
By sending them a Valentine
With a verse saying, "I Love
You."

The girls send Valentines to
the boys
But never sign their names—
Their initials are only numbers,
But the boys are wise to their
games.

The boys will work both hard
and long
And save their money too,
They buy a lace trimmed
Valentine
With a verse ending "I Love
You."

We read the Valentines over
It's surely a lot of fun,
But of all the Valentines we
receive,
We only save—"The One."

Although the spring is not yet
here,
And the robins from us hide—
When you receive a Valentine
It makes you warm inside.

JUST THINK IF . . .

1. Vincent were a prune instead of a Pietsch.
2. Nancy were a hunter instead of a Fisher.
3. Ethel were kettles instead of Potts.
4. Doris were a boxer instead of a Ressler.
5. Dick were streets instead of Rhodes.
6. Nora would be low instead of High.
7. Helen would be happy instead of Grimm.
8. Elizabeth a spinner instead of a Weaver.
9. Shirley were sharp instead of Dull.
10. Ted were a pear instead of an Appel.
11. Delores were short instead of Long.
12. Betty a him instead of a Herr.
13. Ray a cistern instead of Wells.
14. Arlene were wheat instead of Barley.
15. Peter were stupid instead of Wise.
16. Dorothy were a pamphlet instead of a Book.
17. Chet were a vegetable instead of Flowers.
18. Tommy were a bird instead of a Fish.
19. Patsy were yolk instead of a Shell.
20. Richard would be a ridin' instead of a Roland.

ETIQUETTE

Written by Miss Esther Straley,
Teacher of English and History

Listen, children, you shall hear
Of manners a la Lampeter.
Forget about old Emily Post
Since we know best—though I
shouldn't boast.
First: Always run; don't ever
walk;
Be sure you shout instead of
talk.
And chew gum always — you
know how:
So you resemble some old cow.
Now, fellows, this part's just
for you:
With girls, be careful what you
do.
Don't ever ever stoop so low
As common courtesy to show.
Don't wait to let the girls go
first,
Open doors, offer chairs, or —
what is worse—
Hold the fountain while they
drink.
Jeepers! What would people
think?
But dash in first, drink
leisurely,
Then rush off on your merry
way.
In fact, you'll find the general
rule
For girls and fellows at this
school
Is: Never watch where you are
walking;
Concern yourself instead with
talking.
Rush wildly, blindly, speed your
aim;
Pretend you're in a football
game.
You never know if you'll get
through
Without an accident or two.
You may not; then, again, you
may.
And you can have more fun
that way!
Don't let patrolmen hold you
back,
Barge into anyone you like.
Although you hurt someone
severely
You mustn't stop to say, "Ex-
cuse me."
Forget these words, too:
"please" and "thank you";
The world is peopled just to
serve you.
And now a word about class
meeting:
Just shuffle quietly while
there's reading.
But when there's talking,
drown it out;
You don't care what it's about.
When opinion's asked for, give
yours, do—
Not to the group—to the people
near you.
Don't bother to address the
chair;
Just forget the poor guy's
there.
When question's called for,
shout out, "Aye",
You'll learn what the question
was by and by.
There's the lunch bell! Run for
shelter!
Here they're coming—helter-
skelter!
Whoops! A head-on! Page Miss
Jones!
Just a cut and fractured bones!
Now we're almost to the door.
Can't you shove a little more?
Push and kick, and just for fun
Trip that kid — no, no, that
one
Coming by us with her tray—
Aw,—you let her get away!
Here we are inside at last;
Hey, wait a minute! Not so
fast!
If we don't poke and dawdle,
surely
The line will get through much

PROFILES

Wilmer Rutt is 9th Grade
Vice-President

A shy brunette, Wilmer Rutt, is vice-president of this year's Freshman Class. He is majoring in Agriculture and is a sentinel in the FFA. He is a member of the Junior High Chorus and enjoys sports most as a spectator.

Winter weather suits Wilmer very well, since he enjoys all winter sports.

We wish lots of luck in the future for this Freshman class officer, from Strasburg.



A Valentine Wish

Living in a small, poor section of the city was a girl by the name of Mary Jean. She was very poor and very seldom ever had a penny to spend. Having five sisters and four brothers who also were very ragged and poor made home life more difficult.

Tomorrow would be St. Valentine's day and Mary Jean did want to send a Valentine to her parents, and her best friends in school. However Mary Jean wished she owned a few pennies for valentines.

After school was over, on her way home, she saw a man's hat blow off. He was very old and the hat was blowing fast. Mary Jean ran after the hat for two blocks. Out of breath, she finally returned the hat to the man who graciously handed her a quarter. Being very much astonished and thanking the man kindly, she dashed to the store where she bought twenty-five one-cent Valentines. Happily she walked home and put the Valentines in the en-

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too early.
Now with your tray charge
through the hall.
We mowed down three — not
bad at all!
Put garbage, paper, on the
floor.
That's what janitors are for.
Take your tray back—that's all
right.
But toss the bottle out of sight.
It's time for class; there goes
the bell.
Now follow my suggestions
well
And you will have no trouble
here.
That is—if you survive the
year!
P. S.
Our faculty is rude, you'll find
They always try to buck the
line.
Though grudging, give them
room all right;
Prove that, though they aren't,
you're polite!

Something old—Detention Hall.
Something new—An "A"
Something borrowed—Home-
work
Something blue—Report cards

F. F. A. NEWS

Paul Krantz, Reporter

Delegates to Annual Farm Meeting:

Our chapter was represented at the Annual Interstate Milk Producers Co-operative meeting held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania by Donald Garman, delegate.

Richard Hess and Harold Rohrer were the chapter delegates to the Lancaster County Production Credit Association's annual meeting held at the Guernsey Breeders Pavilion.

Many of the chapter members attended the annual meeting of the Producers Co-operative Exchange held at W. L. H. S. Auditorium.

These meetings are worthwhile, both from an instructional and co-operative phase. The delegates returned to class and chapter meetings with very interesting reports on Marketing and credit programs.

Congratulations:

To J. Rohrer Witmer. Rohrer was presented with a cash prize totalling \$135.00 from the National FFA Foundation for his excellent judging of dairy cattle and milk at the World's Dairy Congress, held at Waterloo, Iowa.

To Harold Bomberger. Harold was selected by the FFA State Advisory Council to receive the Keystone Farmers degree Wednesday, January 12, at the Farm Show.

To Richard Hess. Richard, according to Dr. Henry Brunner, Penn State College, is a member of the great 110 piece State FFA Band which played at the Farm Show for a 3-day program.

To Melvin Peifer, Ira Welk and Jacob Houser for placing 4, 6, and 15 in the state project contest for outstanding accomplishments with their Supervised Farming Programs. Melvin will receive a gold medal for his achievements at the Farm Show.

County FFA Elects Officers:

At the December meeting of the Lancaster County FFA Chapter, held at Manheim Boro High School, Melvin Peifer was elected President. Other members your chapter elected to office are: Richard Hess, Secretary; Ira Welk, Reporter; and Wayne B. Rentschler, County FFA adviser.

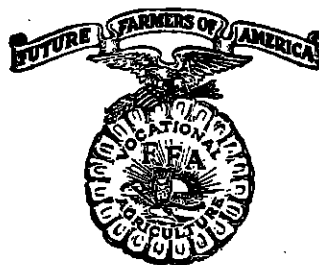
Local Chapter Meeting:

At the regular monthly chapter meeting in December, held in the Vocational Agriculture room with Melvin Peifer, President presiding, the following were elected to office for 1949: President — Richard Hess Vice-President — Harold Rohrer Secretary — Reuben Harnish Treasurer — Henry Balmer Jr. Asst. Treas. — Marvin Miller Reporter — Paul Krantz Chaplain — Raymond Witmer Sentinel — Wilmer Rutt Adviser — Wayne B. Rentschler

Also very interesting reports of the highlights of the National FFA convention held at Kansas City were given by Mark Bushong and Carl Herr, who received the American Farmer Degree. Jacob Houser Jr., a member of the National FFA.

FFA Insignia:

All of the Freshman boys received as "Green Hands" into the chapter and last year's Green Hands advanced to Chapter Farmers were presented with a degree pin.

F.F.A. News
of Convention

By Wayne B. Rentschler

The 20th Anniversary celebration of the Future Farmers of America held at the National F.F.A. Convention, November 14-18 in Kansas City, Missouri was a grand affair.

Approximately 15,000 F.F.A. boys, their leaders, and guests from all over the nation, attended the convention and paid tribute to the 20 years of progress of the national boy organization, which now has a membership of 260,726 in 6023 chapters and has a financial asset of \$103,316.84.

The celebration was officially opened by the National F.F.A. Band, of which Jacob Houser, Jr. was a member. Group singing, and invocation by Gus R. Douglass, past national F.F.A. President. William E. Kemp, Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri, voiced a word of welcome and greeting to convention delegates and visitors.

While the session officially opened Monday morning, the first group gathering was Sunday night for the annual F.F.A. public speaking contest. This event was won by William Beverly Poff, Christiansburg, Virginia, with a talk on "The Farmer's Health—A National Problem." His award was \$250.

A dramatic peak was reached at the first session, Monday morning, when the state presidents, according to chronological order of charters granted to state F.F.A. Associations, beginning with Virginia, marched one at a time to the platform to pin a star onto the blue field of an 8 foot American flag. The lights were dimmed and a huge spotlight illuminated the flag while the F.F.A. Band played. Forty-seven states, plus Hawaii and Puerto Rico, had representatives standing at attention, flanking the flag when all stars were fixed. Only Rhode Island was missing.

At the second session of the convention, the outstanding youth among the Future Farmers for 1948, and thereby given the title of the Star Farmer of America was acclaimed by Kenneth LeWayne Cheatham, Greenville, Illinois. He was presented a \$1000.00 award by the Kansas City Weekly Star. The presentation ceremony in Kansas City's huge municipal auditorium was the most elaborate in the program of the convention. The program was opened by the National F.F.A. Band. This was followed by massing F.F.A. flags from every state of the union. The spotlight was thrown on a huge picture frame at the center of the stage of the auditorium arena. While the F.F.A. delegation looked on, tableaux were presented, outlined in picture frame, illustrating the steps taken by a farm boy to become a Star Farmer. Finally, four spotlights picked out four huge glass-covered stars on the stage. The names of the four Regional Star Farmers were called out and each one took his place in front of one of the stars. The Star Farmer from the South came from the State of Georgia, Star Farmer of the North Atlantic Region from New Mexico, and the Star Farmer of the North Atlantic Region from Illinois.

The degree of American Farmer was awarded to 214 members of the F.F.A. Mark Bushong and Carl Herr were two of these boys awarded this degree. Ervin Martin, National F.F.A. President, presented the awards, consisting of a certificate and a golden F.F.A. key.

Forty-six men were awarded honorary American Farmer degrees for service to Agriculture. This group included leaders in business and industry, state supervisors and teacher trainers, Vocational Agriculture teachers and fathers of the national officers and Star Farmers.

Guest speakers at the convention included Charles F. Brannan, national Secretary of Agriculture; Henri Bonnet, Ambassador from France; Shirley Osborne, national president, Future Homemakers of America; and Oscar R. Ewing, Administrator, Federal Security Agency. Hon. Ewing urged F.F.A. boys to prepare for leadership and develop leadership qualities along with farm skills. He said, "the problems of rural education, national health and federal aid to education are just as important a part of the over-all problem of agriculture as the price of hogs."

Special entertainment was provided by the National F.F.A. Chorus; Amateur show by F.F.A. members; The Swiss Family Froundfelder Yolders from the Swiss Alps; Judy Canova and Warren Durrett's Band; Roy Rogers and Dale Evans; the Kansas City Saddle and Siroin Club and General Motors Corporation. Also in a colorful presentation, the Louisiana F.F.A. Association put on the Evangeline Pageant and a motion picture on Leadership—"By Jupiter", was presented.

A motion to double the requirements for local, state and national awards was defeated at one of the business sessions. The delegated body also voted to give the F.F.A. board of trustees, F.F.A. advisory council and state F.F.A. Associations full power to consider a national magazine, and to go ahead with its publication, if they see fit.

Gold emblems were awarded to 24 chapters participating in the National Chapter Contest. Presentation of farm mechanics awards, farm and home electrification awards and star dairy farmer awards were made by donor representatives of the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc.

At the closing session, the new national F.F.A. officers were officially installed. Doyle Conner, from Starke, Florida was elected and installed national President for 1949.

Dates for the 1949 national convention have been set as

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BASKETBALL NOTES

The West Lampeter teams traveled to East Hempfield, November 16 to play their first game, a non-league game. The evening opened with a bang with the J-V's winning the preliminary. Skip Mentzer made a field goal to win in the remaining 10 seconds. Then the game with Bonnie Sheaffer varsity came on to win their high-scorer with 10 points.

The team then on November 30, went to Upper Leacock where both teams dropped their decisions. On December 3 the blue-and-whites dropped another to Elizabethtown as Goodling sparked the E-towners.

Columbia came to West Lampeter to win a 45-34 decision over our boys. This was a league game.

Neither Coach Finkelday or the team liked the idea of losing, so with the feeling of revenge in their minds they met with Rothsville and downed them as Jim Musser led the blue-and-whites scoring.

Then later they lost to Mt. Joy as McCue sparked the winners.

On January 8 Manor, an old time rival of West Lampeter won out 64 to 38 as Herb Ott-hofer of Manor dropped 9 field goals and 8 fouls for the biggest total in one game which was 26 points. Ed Appel and Bonnie Sheaffer were tie for scoring honors for W. L. with 15 points. Manor has possession of first place in Section II at the time.

Manor			
	G	FI	TI
Kepner F	7	1	15
Hess F	1	0	2
Herr F	2	2	6
Ott-hofer C	9	8	26
Baker G	1	3	5
Gehr G	1	1	3
Barr C	1	0	2
Aument G	2	1	5
Totals	24	16	64
West Lampeter			
	G	FI	TI
Sheaffer F	6	3	15
Appel F	7	1	15
Musser C	1	0	2
Rhineer C	1	2	4
Werner G	0	2	2
Binkley G	0	0	0
Lefever G	0	0	0
Hershey G	0	0	0
Totals	15	8	38
Manor	22	7	15 20-64
W. L. H. S.	5	13	9 11-38

Basketball Has Begun

I think a little space is due—A group of boys well known to you,

The boys who always give their all, .
For West Lampeter basketball.

Arousing cheers, noisy yells
To let them know they're doing well;
And when they're on the losing side,
Our presence there may turn the tide.

The Varsity, Coach, and J.V.'s too,
Are giving up a lot for you,
So let's attend the games and see

If we can't help bring
VICTORY.

DEFINITIONS

1. Fog—What every student gets into when a test comes around.
2. Lunch line — Getting nowhere fast!
3. —Clam—The "friend" who won't tell you the answer at the needed moment.
4. —Chewing gum—The stuff that sticks you in detention hall.
5. Study Hall—Place to carry on social conversations.
6. Chemistry class—Where all explosions come from.
7. Fish — The person who fishes all the answers from someone else.
8. Crow — The teacher who sends you to detention hall for talking when you didn't even open your mouth.
9. —Snake—The person who hisses you when you don't know History.
10. Reports — Handed down from generation to generation.
11. Knife—A test!
12. Spitballs — Reason why teachers get grey.

F. F. A. CONVENTION NEWS

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October 11, 12, and 13 to more closely coincide with the American Royal Livestock Show.

Special transportation schedule of trips to points of interest in Missouri were arranged for F.F.A. delegates, which included the journey to the Swift and Company meat packing plant, Kansas City Stock Yards, American Royal Livestock Show Building, Longview Stock Farm, Swope Parke Zoo, Ford, Butler and Chevrolet automobile assembly plants, museum, and airports.

The trip was most inspiring and worthwhile made in Carl Herr's Chrysler Windsor Sedan automobile covering a distance of 2322 miles round trip over good highways and through beautiful country, mostly farming territory, where the corn grows tall and the cattle and hogs thrive. The route selected took us to Harrisburg, over the four lane super-highway to New Stanton and Washington, Pennsylvania, into Wheeling, West Virginia, over the Ohio River to Columbus, Ohio, into Indianapolis, Indiana, through level, well cultivated plains to Springfield, Illinois and over the Mississippi River into Hannibal, Missouri, the home of Mark Twain and the scene of Tom Sawyer's and Huckleberry Finn's Adventures, and finally into Kansas City, the Municipal Auditorium Convention Headquarters.

"GUESS WHO"

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the most beautiful Valentine he had ever seen. It had a satin heart on the front of it covered with silver sparkles.

Coming from the heart was the sweetest smell Tom had ever known. The scent reminded him of his Mommie's perfume that she used on special occasions. The second page of the Valentine read "To the sweetest one I know," signed "Guess Who." Tom just knew it was from Susie, although he had no proof.

On the way home from school Tommy whistled and sang, all the while thinking of Susie. When he got inside he overheard his brother Jack talking to his mother. Tom heard Jack say that by mistake he had sent the Valentine, intended for his girl, to his brother. Immediately Tom's grin left his face. What a let down, to think that beloved Valentine was from his brother!

A Valentine Wish

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velopes. Now there were plenty for her parents, and her playmates and also her teacher.

The next day when she gave them her Valentines her classmates all were very surprised that the poor girl had sent them. In the years to come Mary Jean never had any money to buy Valentines but she received more Valentines than any one else in her one-room school.

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Cleaning the Aquarium

By Martha Rex

Not long ago a friend of mine had a rather amazing experience while cleaning her aquarium. One of her daughter's pet goldfish went down the drain. Fearing to tell her young daughter of the mishap, she refilled the bowl and returned the lonely goldfish to his home.

Suddenly she realized that the goldfish might clog the drain. Hurriedly she turned the faucet on full force. A faint glimmer of gold caught her eye and on looking closer she saw the valiant goldfish, struggling upward in the pipe. She grasped his tail and pulled him from the drain. For a short time the fish was dizzily bewildered but he soon realized that he was safe in his own home.

DID YOU KNOW

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