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## DEMOCRACY AT WORK

## PERSONAL FREEDOM

The development of a superior type of school system is dependent upon several factors which may in some cases be difficult to determine without careful analysis.

Certainly a school system must have a building suitable to its needs and it goes without saying that our needs increase faster than the ability to pay for those needs. Even so, some progress is being made on this line. Then the equipment for the various departments must be modern and complete. Here again there are plans for increased facilities. The mechanical drawing room equipment was a start.

The faculty must be chosen for knowledge of subject matter, for ability to instill an enthusiasm for further study in students, for a capacity for hard work. The faculty of this year is one of the finest in the history of the school. (It is said by outsiders that it is even getting to possess more beauty.)

The last and most important requirement is a student body which is possessed of a desire for a better school and with members who believe that a democracy can work in a school that follows the orderly process of government.

Along these must go, on the part of administration, faculty and students, an ability to dream and have visions of great improvements, courage to try to find a way for such changes and the willingness to work hard to attain these ends.

I believe we have these attributes.

M. D. Harbough

The right of personal freedom is slowly being caught in the wave of political strings. Today a person must be of this party or that party. By the investigations of Congress into communistic workings, the right of personal freedom is being badly mistreated. The Constitution states that a man has freedom of speech and may belong to any party of his choosing. It may be true that Communism is not right for America, but Congress should take other ways of destroying or discouraging it. The best way to weaken Communism in this country is to build up arguments for Democracy and strengthen our own beliefs. The next attack might be on the Socialist or Progressive parties. These third parties often prove their worth by furnishing some good ideas that are taken up by the major parties. Before long there would be no parties at all. Each time a party would have control of the government it would say that the other party is trying to undermine the democratic government.

Remember what happened in Germany in the 1920's and 30's. Hitler took power by destroying the political parties one by one. He also said that these parties were undermining the German government. Soon there were no parties.

One reason why the government has brought up these investigations have been made concerning high prices, the ways to stop inflation, better education and other items concerning our country's welfare. All these are forgotten. The infringement of political machines, if he does not take an active part in learning the real

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PERSONAL FREEDOM

issues behind each party--and voting the way he believes. We, as students, should study our government and other subjects, so that we, as future voters and more active citizens, can help make our government strong.

ETIQUETTE CLUB INITIATION

Sixty-one new members of the Etiquette Club were initiated in an impressive ceremony Wednesday night, October 6, at the Washington-Clay school. The following officers presided:

Garry Borkowski	President
Christine Zurat	Vice President
James Brown	Secretary
Robert Huddleston	Treasurer

Ann Kreps sang "My Task", accompanied by Jane Danielson at the piano. Following the candlelight service, refreshments were served in the hall. The table was lovely with fall flowers and candles. Fruit punch, open-faced sandwiches and cookies were served. Dancing in the gymnasium was enjoyed afterwards by old and new members. Guests were Miss Margaret Eurt and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Eaton.

SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

OCTOBER 1...Seniors gave their "Tenth Annual Sweater Hop" Softball game with Lakeville at WCHS.  
 OCTOBER 5...Softball game with Walkerton at Walkerton.  
 OCTOBER 15...End of first grading period. Six weeks attendance reports due. Junior Dance.... "Autumn Swirl."  
 OCTOBER 21- North Central, Indiana  
 22...Teachers Association.  
 OCTOBER 29...Carnival given by PTA and Junior Class.

ENROLLMENT OF VARIOUS CLASSES

SENIOR CLASS.....	60
JUNIOR CLASS.....	78
SOPHOMORE CLASS.....	77
FRESHMAN CLASS.....	106
EIGHTH GRADE.....	99
SEVENTH GRADE.....	93
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TOTAL	513

## THE "PORTABLE" FACULTY

By Mary Syson and Adrain Wiggins

In the last issue of the Colonial, you, the readers, were introduced to most of Clay's teaching Staff, but not to all to all. Now meet the Portables!

These buildings, though separated from the main building, are usually considered as part of our school. They were built to handle the overflow from the lower grades in the township, since there are over 1600 pupils registered in Clay Township this year.

Their teaching staff includes the following:

Mrs. Bernice Norton, first grade teacher, taught at Stucky School; previously. After a period of retirement, she is teaching again. Her 43 students are using folding chairs in lieu of temporarily unavailable tables and chairs, and doing very nicely in spite of it.

There is no second grade. In the third grade, we find Mrs. Mitchell, who also taught at Stucky. She has three sons, two of high school age. One is going to Jefferson and the other to Adams. She is in charge of visual education and music.

Skipping the fourth (there are none) we find Mrs. Genevieve Welch, principal and fifth grade teacher. She is very proud, and well she may be, of her "Straight Shooters" Club.

In the sixth grade, and facing the school, is Mrs. Ruth Sellers, who taught at Webster for some length of time. She especially lines the windows and the lighting in the new buildings.

Mrs. Schwartz and the band and glee club will be featured in a future issue.

## PORTABLES HAVE OWN DEMOCRACY

By Adrian Wiggins and Mary Syson

Good citizenship is the target for the Straight Shooters Club in the fifth grade in the Portables.

Meeting every Friday; conducted by Parliamentary Rules, the club, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Welch, is making big plans for a puppet show.

"When Betsy Ross Made Old Glory" is the play chosen, and will be given at a later date. The students are making their own puppets and doing their own work.

The proceeds will be used to buy needed things for the school. Last year, in Ullery, the club bought \$50. worth of records and dictionaries. The officers are:

Jackie Webster	President
Janet Haussman	Vice President
Dale Neely	Secretary
Margot Gerharz	Treasurer

Perhaps there are some few facts about these buildings that you don't know. For instance, did you know they have green "black" boards. Their lighting is completely modern and up-to-date, consisting of large fluorescent lights well-distributed over a low, light colored ceiling.

The buildings are nice and clean, being new. In fact, they are not completely finished on the outside yet. The plywood walls are painted a light green, and the ceiling yellow. For this winter, heat will be supplied by an oil furnace. Ventilation is fine with the large number of windows.

Playground facilities are not finished yet, but they are on the way!

The entrances are on the South and East sides.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
ELECTS NEW MEMBERS

by Mary Syson

Chosen from the top 15% of the Senior Class were Lois Voss, Jean Brewis, and Adrian Wiggins; and representatives of the top 10% of the Junior Class are Ann Kreps, Helen Gross, Mildred Grabowski, Marilyn Bernhart, Janice Meyers, Clara Bultnick, LouAnn Keeth, and Dougless Roth.

Tuesday, October 5 in Room 11 these new members were given a welcoming ceremony by the club's sponsor, Mr. M. Dale Harbaugh and the old members: Charlotte Claxton, Dolores Snow, Eva Weinhold, Margaret Zoller, Shirley Holmes, George Flain, and Sam Mirkin. Refreshments were served as part of this ceremony.

Washington-Clay has one of the many Chapters of a National Organization for Secondary Schools. The members are judged on scholarship, leadership, service and character. They must retain at least a "B" average to remain in the club, as the scholarship average must be from "90 to 100."

Officers of the National Honor Society are:  
President- Dolores Snow  
Vice-President- Eva Weinhold  
Secretary- Margaret Zoller  
Treasurer- Sam Mirkin

The club's next meeting was October 11, forth period, in Room 9.

A formal initiation will be held for the new members at an unknown date.

CYM-JAMS  
By Dolly

G. A. A. started off with a bang this year under the direction of Miss Burt.

Officers for the current year are as follows:

President.....Mary Ann Lamson  
Vice-President.....Ruth McMullen  
Secretary.....Dolores Vexel  
Treasurer.....Marlene Thompson

Initiation was held October 13, 1948 at 7 o'clock. The highlights of the evening were the scavenger hunt and the presentation of initiation certificates. Forty girls were initiated. Miss Hoover and Mrs. Eaton were our guests. Refreshments were served. Lois Scheid was Chairman of the Initiation committee. A good time was had by all.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor,

Why are we made to stay out of the halls completely during noon?

Our noon hour is the only free time we have to complete the various business procedures we are not allowed to do during the day.

We, as juniors and seniors, object to being imprisoned during our only leisure time.

Money matters, such as the Colonial Funds, Senior and Junior dance affairs, must be left undone, because of the strict enforcement of the unfair ruling.

Will you please give us the rulings and reasons for the noon confinement.

Sally Mowers  
Leona Pearson  
Eva Weinhold  
Dolores Snow  
Laura Simpson  
Margaret Zoller  
Evelyn Blackford  
Shirley Holmes

Dear Girls,

Due to crowded conditions, the halls must be cleared to prevent turmoil, accidents and general trouble, at noon. By clearing the halls, we hope to improve the health of both pupils and teachers by bringing about healthful recreation and a chance for quiet meeting and talk for both instead of general confusion and noise for all. There are now 600 students milling around the halls which should hold only 350-- these conditions make this rule compulsory.

The rules are:

1. The halls are to be cleared between 12:00 and 12:25.
2. Meetings and activities can and are urged to be conducted at this time. Those attending such meetings, however, must remain in the rooms for this period of time.
3. Help the teachers and yourself by obeying the above rules.

Dear Editor,

Why don't they open the stairway above the cafeteria at noon for those going up that way can buy their lunch? This way they have less chance of being knocked down as when they are on the other stairway.

Becke Youngquist

Dear Becke,

The stairway is closed to keep dust and dirt from falling in your food. This dust is stirred up when pupils are walking up and down the stairways. I would rather have my food free from dust.

The Editor

## KING & QUEEN CANDIDATES

Grade

6	Patricia Keating	Daniel Augh
7	Pat Kush	Raymond Cole
8	Mary Ann Kush	James Webber
9	Frances Coles	Jerry Miller
10	Evelyn Voss	Jack Stone
11	Christine Zurat	Jack Pingle
12	Verla Berends	Richard Miller

Juniors Will Present  
Autumn Swirl Tonight

The Junior class of Washington-Clay High School will present one of the season's gayest events, the Autumn Swirl at 8:00 P.M. tonight in the gymnasium.

Warren Souder and his band will give out with the sweet notes. This dance will be the last one for the season.

If for any reason you do not have your ticket, you may get it from Joyce Kane, Jim Haney, Frank Hahn, Anne Welch, Beverly Martin Don Ansbaugh, or Carolyn Squint

## CLUBS AND CLASSES ATTENTION!!!

Any class or club announcement that you wish published in the Colonial are to be written by your own publicity writer and turned into Ronald Riter--the Friday before the Colonial is to be published.

Appoint your publicity writer now!! Take advantage of this opportunity to let the entire student body know of your plans and activities!

# SNOOPY SCOOPER

By  
LOIS  
SCHEID



Did you know that?

The seniors have appointments for the 26th and 27th at Priddy-Tompsetts for class pictures?

The Juniors Autumn Swirl is tonight?

The G.A. initiation was October 13th?

The Etiquette Club initiation was October 7th and was a success?

The Juniors and P.A. are sponsoring the carnival October 29th?

The Senior dance was a big success?

The juniors ordered their class-rings?

Our softball team won second place? The Tigers were first.

A school papers exchange has again been started--the papers are in the school library for your convenience.

Halls are to be cleared between 12:00 and 12:35.

The Christmas Seal Speech Contest is to be held again this year. See Miss Treeland if interested in entering---cash prizes are to be awarded.

John Neher, the Sophomore class president, received a serious knee injury while playing football. He spent several days in the Memorial hospital, but is back in school and informs us that there are some good-looking nurses there.

The various home-rooms have selected their king and queen candidates and the race is on to see who can sell the most tickets.

Our new roll leaders are Louann Keith, Christine Zurat and Raymond Johnson.

Our physical examinations were held October 13th.

## FADS AND FASHIONS

by Elaine Plew

Midfall season is once more upon us so let's look into our Fashion Calendar and see what it has in store for us.

Corduroy suits are quite the popular thing this fall. Most of the suits are the boxy type. Featuring the new suits were Anna Toth and her favorite color--red, and Mary Ann Lamson and Lois Scheid with the boxy type jacket and straight skirts.

"T" shirts were featured in the new autumn styles. Copied from the boys---the neat Johnny collar with inset yokes or the Gaucho neckline that gives the effect of a shirt collar worn over a plain "T" shirt were featured in October's issue of the Calling All Girls magazine.

Beauty on a Budget is a challenge to us school girls so here is a bargain that will be worth your while--The Helene Rubinstein's new Four Color Keys to Beauty. These four lipsticks keyed to your coloring and costume are hung on a gold chain with a heart-shaped mirror for initials.

Girls attention!!! Seven hide-away buttons smoothly close the new boxy Cardigan Sweater. It's all wool, soft, warm, light-weight, and comes in wardrobe-maker colors.

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# Mystery Miss

By  
ANNA TOTH



This week I have selected a very gay little senior. Here are a few secrets I'll let you in on:

Her first initial is E. She is 17 years old, weight - 105 lbs, is 5'4" tall, has brown hair and blue eyes.

She likes journalism class and thinks our Colonial this year is "super".

On the subject of how many nights off a week should a highschool student have, she remarked 2 or 3. Maybe we ought to look into this a little further---

Incidentally, when I asked her about favorite pastimes, she simply replied "Ho-Ho" but later on she said that show's and horse-back riding were two of her favorites of the many.

Her favorite place while on a date with her steady beau, is the show or to "park" ----that's what she said---. Of course, when it comes to eating-her usual is Bonnie Doons. (Not to change the subject or anything like that).

After school is out and she graduates, office work is what she has in mind. She mentioned something about a housewife too, but we'll give her a little time anyway.

Now----try to guess this week's Mystery Miss, from these hints I don't think it will be too hard.

-----See you soon

Our last week's mystery man was Jack Brady----surprised?

STRICTLY PERSONAL  
By Lois & Bonnie

The question of the week is----  
What was your most embarrassing moment????????

Upon asking, Ray Johnson, our only boy cheer leader, he replied, "When I was talking to a man about one of my escapades in a watermelon field and then the man said he was the owner!"

Nancy Harrison, "When I read my character sketch in Journalism class! Now, Nancy, what did you say???"

Joan Jackson, "When I fell on the ice in front of the Colfax theatre." What happened, Joan?

When Sam Mirkin was asked, he said, "Are you kidding!"

"Besty" Sowers, when she played finders-keepers with her shoes in a movie.

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These sweaters are featured by Benton's and many other leading stores in town.

Are you invited to a Slumber-Party?? Well if you are--I have just the thing for you... Why not be the brightest of the bunch by showing up with---one of the three Firehouse Flannels featured in this month's Seventeen? One style is an old-fashioned red nightshirt that's down to your knees and buttons around the top like a bib. Or a pair of big-baby pajamas with a drop-seat and ruffled bib. Another good idea----balbriggons with a striped T-shirt and red britches.

To the Juniors, I wish them lots of success on their forth-coming dance.

# KEYHOLE - SHORTS

SALLY  
MOWERS



MARILYN  
BARNHART

Poor Ricky Miller all those girls chasing him!

Boy, are those Junior rings going to be sharp!!

Barbara Crynes and Robert Grabarz seem to have eyes for each other??

Jimmy Dale certainly pulled a fast one on Vesta the night of the Senior Dance.

What's this about Gene Gregory having a serious crush on Betty Strunk?

Say, Wayne Gore, just why is it you want Lonnie B.'s phone number?

Joan B. and Ricky M. make a cute couple! Anybody surprised??

Bob B. wants to know how John and Phyllis got along the night of the Senior Dance. It seems he was too busy to watch them and now he wants to know.

It seems that Shirley N. and Jack M. had fun at the dance. Hm!

Does Beatie Marsh know where her seat in Study Hall is? Sometimes I wonder.

Audrey Hamilton seems to think Tom K. is pretty nice!!

That was some "character sketch" you wrote, Nancy H.

Who is this heart throb we hear Barbara Horvath talking about?

It seems as tho' John Neher is in some sort of trouble. How come John? Did D. Lynch have anything to do with it???

Big crowd at Martha Badman's Sept. 30. I wonder what happened. I wonder!

We see that Dolores Neiswender and George Hess get along fine in Choir! Hummm!

Gene Gregory, someone seems to think your pretty nice! I think her name is Mary Lour Romine.

Marilyn D., your dreams didn't seem to work out at the Sweater Hop did they???

What's this about Mae O. going with a guy from Central???

When asked where she got such a charming hair-do, Leona Berend s calmly said, "That's a secret."

Ann Kreps and Bob Roden keep up quite a conversation in Latin class. They wouldn't if they had to speak in Latin, I betcha'.

Can't Mary Syson make up her mind whether she is going to be mad at Adrian or not?

Judy Felix and Roger Hestad like History class! Why???

Susie Britton and Howard Bailey! Hmmm!!

Why was Joyce Kane having troubles a certain Friday noon? Did you almost loose your best friend, Joyce?

I wish I had a "pot of gold" don't you, Lois Voss??

Is it true that Janice Snyder thinks James Volber is alright??

Mary Ann Fraasier, why don't you deliver those notes to Ronald personally??

Etiquette Club initiation provided fun for everyone, particularly Susie R. and DonL.

Ronnie Logan, did you enjoy diving the hayride while your guest was occupied???

Tom Haney was at the New Carlisle softball game. Who's heart was fluttering???

Someone said Jack Melton likes to eat cigars. Don't you think Mail Pauch would taste better???

What's this about Don Ansbaugh and a certain junior girl?????

Marilyn Hawblitzel and Dale Froh! Hmmm!

May Dee Hogan has a new nickname. It's Richardson. Just where did that come from?

Nancy Golnick, is it Jim H. or Bob H. or both???

Doris H. and Donald B. would make a cute couple if they would ever quit beating around the bush.

Janet Lane and Dennis L. Cute!!

Well, Betty S., how successful can we get. Hmmm Jim!!

Louann shocked a few people when she came to the dance with Russ Huss!



OFF THE RECORD  
By Beverly Martin

This week "Underneath the Arches" is the main disc hit. Andy Russell's rendition with "Just for Me" on the flip over is most requested.

An oldie that is coming back is "Confess" by the Mills Brothers. "Someone Cares" is on the reverse.

Dinah Shore has recently waxed "Buttons and Bows" which is predicted to be quite a hit. It has catchie words and tune.

A new record team is Gordon Mac Rae and Jo Stafford. They recently put "Say Something Sweet" on shellac, and in case you haven't heard it yet, don't miss it.

Whad do you all think of "Life Gets Tedius"? It's quite a novelty record.

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RIDING THE BUS WITH  
A PRE-NURSERY SCHOOL  
By Dick Wisner

This isn't exactly an English theme. It's more of a warning. Don't ever take the three-thirty St. Mary's bus to South Bend. I did!!!

I boarded the bus, put a slug in the token box and took a seat. I was enjoying the beautiful scenery as the bus pulled into St. Mary's Academy. I was just sitting there minding my own business with not a care in the world; then, I saw them. There were about thirty or forty of the little darlings, all ready to spring on the bus the minute it stopped. Unfortunately it did. The instant the doors opened, the little dears were all pushing, shoving and screaming to get on the bus. Each little girl would grab a seat, throw her lunch-pail, coat and books on it and yell "Saved". Then there would be a big fight over who was going to sit next to whom.

Finally they all got on, and the bus started. As we went around a curve one little girl decided that she would use my ear for a support. She may have been enthusiastic about the idea, but I wasn't.

Before we reached town, I was kicked, mauled, stepped on and beaten over the head with lunch-pails. So if you want to keep your sanity, and also your physical fitness, never take that three-thirty bus.

CHARACTER SKETCH OF A CHARACTER  
By Beverly Martin

If you have never met a true "Character" you have never met my brother Rickie.

Rickie is three years old, has flaming red hair, blue eyes and a flaming temper to go with the hair. It cannot be said that he likes to be well dressed or clean because he doesn't. Rickie is much happier in blue-jeans and a tee-shirt with dirty smudges on his face and hands; although when he is dressed up, he asks everyone if he doesn't look "sharp". This dirtiness doesn't apply to other things though, because he gave six three-day-old puppies a bath with cold water and Palmolive soap because "they were dirty".

Rickie is "crazy" about toy cars and has twenty; although it seems like a million for no matter where you walk in our house you step on a car or garage made of blocks.

I could write a volume on all the mischievous things this specimen of the male race has done, but here are only a few---he tried to eat a light bulb to see what was in the bulb, cut off the neighbor's broom handle, shut the cat in the cold airduct and bribed the neighbor children out of their pennies so he could buy another toy car.

It could be said that Rickie is mischievous and curious, but in simple language he is a brat!!!

**NEW CARLISLE WINS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
by "Willie" Yena

The 1948 St. Joseph County Softball League has finally come to an end. The New Carlisle Tigers won the Softball Championship, with a record of five wins and one defeat. Madison Township and our own Washington-Clay Colonials tied for second place honors.

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.
New Carlisle-----	5	1	.833
Washington-Clay-----	4	2	.667
Madison-----	4	2	.667
Walkerton-----	3	3	.500
Lakeville-----	3	3	.500
North Liberty-----	2	4	.333
Greene-----	0	0	.000

COLONIALS FINISH SECOND

The Washington-Clay Colonials won their last two games by defeating Lakeville 15 to 6 and Walkerton 7 to 4 in nine innings. This enabled the Colonials to finish in a tie with Madison for second place.

COLONIALS WALLOP LAKEVILLE

Friday afternoon, October 1, The Washington-Clay Colonials defeated the Lakeville Trojans by a score of 15 to 6 on the Colonial's diamond. The Colonials were very strong at the plate in this game; they got 12 hits off losing pitcher Rouch, which featured Jim Brown's two home runs. Lakeville got 3 hits off winning pitcher Yena and also got two hits off Wildeman who relieved Yena in the seventh inning.

LAKEVILLE TROJANS	9	3	0	0	0	0	3-6/5
WASHINGTON CLAY	8	3	1	0	2	1	0-5/2

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Colonial's Map Walkerton

Tuesday afternoon, October 5, the Washington Clay Colonials defeated the Walkerton Indians by a score of 7 to 4 in nine innings. The game was played on the Walkerton diamond. Jim Brown and Don Ansbrough paced the Colonial's attack each hitting a home run. Winning pitcher Yena, Losing pitcher Kanoff. Each pitcher yielded four hits.

WASHINGTON CLAY	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	3
WALKERTON	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0

COLONIALS BEGIN BASKETBALL

By Jim Brown

Monday afternoon, October 4..... "First Call", this sound was heard all throughout the school that day. There were fifty-five boys out for basketball practice, which only included three lettermen returning from last year. The three returning lettermen are as follows: Garry Borkowski, Dale Walsh and Jim Brown. There were a great variety of players out from various classes which included, 5 seniors, 15 juniors, 14 sophomores and 20 freshmen. This will be a rough year for the Colonials, because they have a tough schedule ahead of them.

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The room was quiet, the light was low. "What are you thinking about, darling?" he asked.

"The same thing you are, dear," she replied.

"Hot dawg!" he cried. "I'll race you to the icebox!"

Patient: "Why stick me in that room with that crazy guy?"

Doctor: "Is he troublesome?"

Patient: "Troublesome! He's nuts! Keeps looking around and saying, "no lions, oh tigers, no elephants,"--and all the time the room's full of them!"