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## CARTWRIGHT SPEAKS

### CAMP FIRE GIRLS MEET

Junior High Camp Fire Girls Club will hold their next meeting Dec. 14 in room 12 to discuss plans for the Christmas Party, Dec. 19.

Chairmen for the party are: Judy Colip, food committee, Sharon Eates entertainment, and Marilyn Brame, decorations.

The program for the new year will be planned and discussed at the next meeting by the sponsor, Miss Huepenbecker.

### THE STORM

by Joanna Kreps

"I don't think you should go today, Sally," Mr. O'Mara said as he stomped into the kitchen, depositing an armful of snowy fire wood by the stove. "The wind is blowing hard and there's sure to be a blizzard before noon."

Sally smiled. How could she explain to her father that if she didn't go, there would be talk in the small village about their new schoolmarm? Goodness knows it was hard enough to come back to her old home-town to begin her profession, besides the fact that she was a female--and only nineteen!

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The students of Washington-Clay had the privilege of hearing one of the most interesting speakers ever to be heard here, last week. Mr. Richard Cartwright's interesting speech on the Philippines gave us an idea of what the Islands are actually like.

Mr. Cartwright spoke of his Jeep and Jalopy experience in Luzon. He gave us a vague idea of what languages are spoken, of the head-hunters, whom he visited now and then, the Communistic stand, the religion, the feeling the people have toward Americans, the sports, the bright clothing which costs them very little to make, the superstitions and customs, and last but not least, the food. The dog is eaten for nourishment as rice is deficient in vitamins, proteins and other essentials. A law was passed forbidding the use of dog for food but as the people have no other kind of meat, most of them still stick to dog.

Mr. Cartwright is a school teacher in Baguio. In his talk he pointed that all 7,083 islands have their own beautiful touch. It might not be such a bad place to get lost now that head-hunters are out of circulation.

He is also a representative for the World Book Encyclopedia.

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"Your father is absolutely right, my dear," chimed in Percy Jordan, a local clerk, and suitor for the hand of Sally O'Mara.

Sally shook her auburn curls stubbornly.

"This is December 24th and today is the day when parents will be coming to school to hear the Christmas program. The children have been looking forward to this day for a good many weeks. They've learned poems and songs especially for the event. I can't let them down. Mama, will you help me wrap the taffy and chocolates? It's seven and I'll have to hurry."

They packed the saddlebags, one with Sally's lunch, the other with candy for the children. Sally bundled up warmly for her five-mile journey and assured her mother and father that she would be quite all right.

Jordan stopped her in the doorway, fumbling with his ruffled shirt which so well matched his effeminate manner.

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"You understand if I don't go to the barn with you?" he asked through chattering teeth. "It's frightfully cold, you know."

"No, I wouldn't know," she murmured, closing the door firmly behind her and heading toward the barn.

Liberty, her faithful horse, was at first reluctant to leave his quarters, but after a little coaxing with a lump of sugar, he followed the small path which they trudged together so many mornings.

The one-room red brick school stood on a small knoll with the protection of only three small trees, under which the children spent their recess.

From a distance, Sally could see a thin curl of smoke spiralling upward from the chimney. She knew it was Alan Stevens; he had come early to see that things were warm as toast for the day's session, bless him. Alan was the village blacksmith, handsome and strong for his 21 years. He was attending school so that some day he might become a minister, but some of the village spinsters firmly believed that it was because he was in love with Miss Sally.

"Good morning, Alan," she greeted after she had tied her horse securely to the post in the shed, and had pushed her way into the warm room.

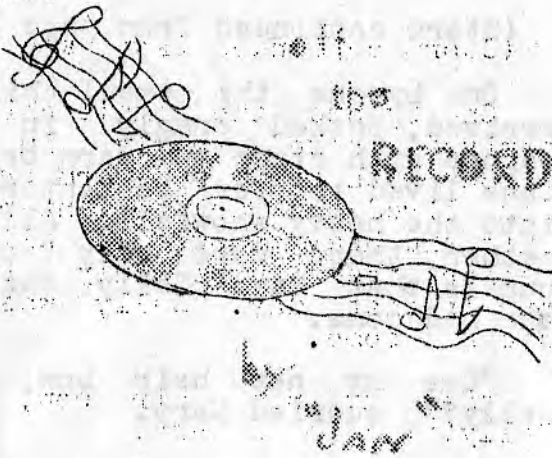
"Morning, Miss Sally. Trifle cold, isn't it?" He pressed his brown hair against the window and glanced questioningly at the sky.

Reading his unspoken thoughts, she remarked, "I'm sure the storm won't come before nightfall."

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## STAMP COLLECTING



Hi Kids!

Well here I am again with the latest platter chatter and some of the new record releases.

As we jump into the shellac stack today we see that honors for the best record of the week go to "Don't Cry, Joe" which was first on the hit parade this week. I think it is especially good when sung by Vic Damone.

A song that is a close runner-up in popularity is "I Can Dream, Can't I?" The Andrews Sisters with Gordon Jenkins have just made a hit recording of it for Decca.

A new musical has just been produced recently called "Lost in the Stars" which has a great many songs that are bound to become hits in the near future. One that I think is very good is called "Stay Well."

For all of you Frankie Laine fans, he has just come out with a brand new release called "You're All I Want For Christmas" which I think will soon replace his current "Mule Train."

The Andrew Sisters and Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians have just waxed a cute little thing called "The Merry Christmas Polka" coupled with "Christmas Candles."

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Mrs. Sculthorp has been donating magazines regularly to the library for the students who are interested in stamp collecting.

The different kinds of stamp collecting are: used stamps, plate blocks, sheet collecting, stamps of one particular country, industrial stamps, Catholic subject stamps, etc. Most young people collect used stamps. Mr. and Mrs. Sculthorp collect commemorative stamps.

In the library there is a handbook of stamps called the "Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue" and can be used by anyone.

A few of the Washington - Clay collectors are: Mr. Larbaugh, Mrs. Sculthorp, Bill Woodhurst, Reginald Towne, Gale Irish, Dennis Coyle.

(Off The Record continued)

Two novelty numbers which are currently popular are "Makin' Love Ukulele Style" done by Russ Morgan and "I Ain't Gonna Give Nobody None of This Jelly Roll" by Phil Harris.

For all of the kids that saw the movie "Oh You Beautiful Doll" I'm sure you remember these two swell tunes: "I Want You To Want Me" and "There's A Broken Heart For Every Light on Broadway."

My prediction for a coming hit this week is "Open Door, Open Arms" as recorded by Richard Case.

Well this just about wraps up the wax works for this week, but I'll be back again soon---

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The lawyer got his client a suspended sentence--they hanged him!

JOE OF THE WEEK  
by Velma

President of the Senior Class, plays varsity basketball and is one of the nicest fellows I know, that is our Joe of the week.

Joe is six feet even, and weighs 145. He has blond hair and blue eyes, and is of the ripe old age of 17.

His opinion of girls is "Some are all right." Say, what happened to the rest of us?

Hot Rods are his hobby, and the faster they go the better he likes it. (Oh well, he didn't want to live, anyway!)

If you ever want to find our Joe, go to Snyders Service Station and no doubt he will wait on you. Gerald Snyder, will you put down that can of oil long enough to take a bow?

JANE OF THE WEEK

This week we have an unforgettable character (and I do mean character) for the Jane of the week. She has blond hair, blue eyes, and is 5 feet, 4 3/4 inches tall, age 17. Oh, I almost forgot to tell you she's a Senior.

When I asked her that most important question, what she thought of boys, she softly answered with "Why express your opinion?" "Whatever you say will get you in trouble (but I kinda prefer them tall and blond)."

Her favorite food is fried chicken and naturally basketball ranks high with her.

Well let's find out who this character is. Joyce Kane will you take a bow?

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One by one the small children arrived, packed snugly in the wagons with straw and warm bricks. Some lived too far to venture out into the heavy snowfall. All together, there were only twelve pupils that day. Sally was glad she had come.

"See my new hair bow, Miss Sally?" queried Mary.

"I wanna say my piece now," said Donnie.

"Did Jo bring the candy?" little Jimmie asked.

"Children--first we must have our lessons as usual." The teacher set the children to work, then began her special physics work with Alan.

The wind blew harder by the minute and the snow fell faster and faster. Shortly before noon, when snow had completely covered the windows, Alan want to get extra fire wood.

When he returned, he whispered the very words Sally feared must be true.

"The snow is pretty deep, Miss Sally. Too deep for anyone to reach us in this blizzard--too deep for us to get out. We're snowbound, Miss Sally, snowbound in school on Christmas Eve!"

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BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Would You like to help a very worthy cause? You can-- for only 20¢. Tuberculosis Christmas seals are on sale now through December 16. The goal for the school is at least 20¢ per person, making a grand total of \$121.60 for the students.



## GOSSIP

MR. ROGERS

What's this we hear about Dwight Smith taking Joanne Harter home from the Lakeville game??

Nancy M. was that Dave Blackburn's picture you had at the Lakeville game??

Say, Janet Lane, just who are you going with??

Bev Martin, did you have fun over Thanksgiving vacation?

What did Joe want to see you about, Virginia I.?

Congratulations to Jim and Nancy Cute, huh??

Whose lap were you sitting on at the Lakeville game, Susie R.??

Why doesn't Jack Melton make up his mind??

Dorothy Johnson and Ronald Klein from Madison are going steady.

Joan B. and Jim B. have been going steady quite a while now! So have Beaty and Dale!!

What's this we hear about Mary Van Lue and Larry Tennyson??

Don Tam has been seeing a lot of Teresa McMerney lately!!

John Neher, do you really think you have a chance with Anne Welch?

Agnes DeMeyer has been going with Bob Roden quite a lot!! Anything serious??

Who is it Pat Danielson, Don or John?

Vera Struever and Susie Roden, do you know anyone by the name of Joe and Gene from Madison???

Looks like Evelyn Voss and Don Lynch are getting back together!!

Why is Jack Richardson always laughing in English? Is it girls or feathers??

Nancy Kleinrickert, tell us more about Bruce!!

The flame between Nancy T. and Dwayne S. seems to be burning a little low!!

The big attraction from Bremen is still number one on Maxine Grodey's list!!

The flame is burning between Gene G. and Marilou R.

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Mr. Roy Rogers, our school librarian met with an accident while hunting last Saturday, December 3. He was confined to the Memorial Hospital, where he underwent an operation. Several teachers have visited him and they report that he is in the best of spirits and just aching to get back on the job. The faculty sent him a basket of fruit and there will be other gifts sent from some of the class home rooms. He is expected to return around the first of the year. Mrs. Paul Gerard has taken Mr. Roger's place for the time being.

## G. A. A. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The G.A.A. Christmas party is to be held at Pat Morse's house on Wednesday, December 14. Dorothy Johnson is the general chairman of the party. Exchange of gifts, Christmas caroling, and various other activities are being planned.

(GOSSIP, continued)  
Bobby Huddleston is trying to give all the girls a thrill now-a-days!

J. C. Studer and Shirley Myrges Since when?? Tell us all!

Carol Patterson, don't you get tired chewing on that poor, aggravated thumb nail??

Did Charlyn S. and Bill L. have fun at the basketball game??

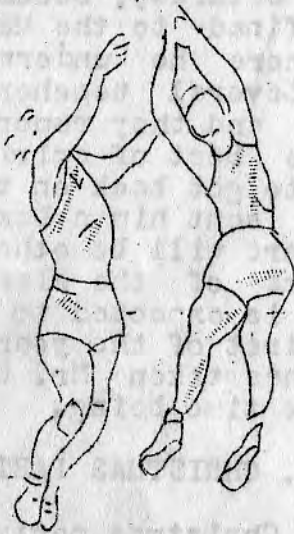
Who is this tenth grade boy Shirley Sharpe is so interested in? Could it be Tom A.??

Congratulations Alice D., Pat K. and Pat for making Junior High Cheer Leaders!

Dick H., when are you going to look at Mary Louise and find out she likes you?

What's this we hear about Julie Stevens and Dick Butterbaugh? Anything serious??

When is Keith Stone going to find a girl, "He wonder!"



### COLONIALS DEFEAT TROJANS

The Washington-Clay Colonials were just too much for the Lakeville Trojans on the night of November 29, when they beat Lakeville 45-42 in the Colonial gym. The Colonials showed their desire to win by coming from behind in the third quarter to finally win the ball game by three points. Dick Lightfoot led the Trojans with 17 points, Don Schlundt the local team with 23 points.

### FIFTH VICTORY FOR CLAY TEAMS

A week ago, last Friday, December 3, the Colonials overpowered a strong Walkerton five 65-45 in the Walkerton gym. The Colonials attack was led by Schlundt and Ansbaugh with 29 and 13 points respectively. Walkerton's LaFeber led their attack with 14 points. Eight men for the Colonials saw action during the contest. The Colonials were never in much trouble throughout the entire game.

The varsity and B squads have now won five games in a row. Tonight the Colonials will travel to North Liberty to play the Shamrocks which should prove to be an interesting game.

# SPORTS

### SHOOTS 140 POUND BUCK

Bill Garten, Senior at Washington-Clay, a novice archer who belongs to the Cobus Creek Archery Club, shot a 140 pound buck deer in Allegan County, Michigan, Sunday. Bill, 19, made the trip with 80 club members from the Elkhart, Indiana, area.

### SOUTH BEND TRIPURE

### Junior High Defeated

In their first game of the current season, the junior basketball team, coached by Howard Fick, lost to New Carlisle 35-19, Dec. 1, in the Clay gym.

Coddens scored 14 points for the Tigers, while the Colonials high-point man was Bill Lindzy with 5 points.

### CHEERLEADERS CHOSEN

The junior high cheerleaders, who were chosen in the same manner as the high school cheerleaders, are Pat Keating, Alice Duncan, and Pat Kush.