

ACTIVITIES



SCHOOL LIFE





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The Parties of Yesterday

THE parties of yesterday, while not so elaborate and expensive as those of to-day, were nevertheless very beautiful. Simplicity was the keynote, which every host or hostess strove to show. Of course at each party the best plates and silver would be used and the servants dressed in their plain black dresses with white aprons always added some dignity, still no fussy details were ever shown. Usually a beautiful basket of wild flowers placed upon a plain spotless table cloth was the only decoration on the table. Sometimes at very formal weddings wreaths of evergreen were wound around the light fixtures and the huge mantels. A dinner was usually served in four courses. The chief amusements at most parties were the playing of checkers and croquet. Occasionally buggy or sleigh rides furnished much excitement. The dress up or costume party fad lasted many years. There was much rivalry among the younger generations to see who could have the most unique and original costume. At other parties snow white gowns were the most appropriate for women. This fact made the party very picturesque, for the lawn was the place often chosen for the amusements, and to see the joyful people in their quaint attire moving about among the beautiful flowers and trees must have given new life to each one present. Delicious home-made ice cream and lemonade refreshed the guests. A party never lasted later than ten o'clock, for it was considered ill-bred to remain after that hour. One could always rest assured that the party would be appreciated.

Gold Medal Contest

IT has been the custom since 1919 to present a gold medal to the winner of the Junior-Senior Declamatory Contest which is an annual event. The medal was first awarded by Mr. T. E. McGillan, who was then a member of the Board of Education. The next year the Board decided they would award a medal as a means of showing their interest in the event. Ever since then there has been a medal awarded. The winners of the medal from 1919-1924 follow: 1919, Marilla Rempel; 1920, Lilliosa Gruper; 1921, Aileen Rempel; 1922, Henrietta Hall; 1923, Jeanette Jones; 1924, Evelyn Arnett.

This year the Gold Medal Contest was held December 22, 1924, in the high school auditorium. The Seniors received the highest honors although the Juniors did splendidly.

Gold Medal	EVELYN ARNETT
Second Place	MARIE KOWALKOWSKI
Third Place	CECIL KAIN

These results were due to the excellent work of the coach, Miss Anita Jones.

The program was:

Music	HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA
Jim Fenton's Wedding	EVELYN ARNETT
Strongheart	LYDIA REED
Laddie	MARIE KOWALKOWSKI
Music	GLEE CLUB
Repentance	CECIL KAIN
The Heart of Briar Rose	KATHLEEN LIEBL
Man O'God	HELEN JONES
Decision of the Judges.	

The judges were: Reverend Best, Frances Corry, and Mrs. Paul Bach.

We were very sorry to learn at the last moment that Miss Helen Jones was unable to attend because of illness.

The Interclass Declamatory Contest was very successful in more ways than one. Besides the contest itself, there was another to decide which class was the one that was the most sportsman-like and could be the most original in decoration as well as cheers. There was a very good showing from all classes and excitement ran high. The speaking was good, the cheering was good, and the decorations were good. All in all it was a very good program.

Each class decorated its particular side of the room with its colors. The Sophomores won first place for spirit and the Seniors won second. The front of the room was decorated by the Annual Staff with the help of Miss Hampel and Miss Smith. It had a background of green and was further enhanced by Japanese cherry blossoms, umbrellas, and lanterns.

The following program was given:

Selections by the Glee Club	
Jim Fenton's Wedding	EVELYN ARNETT
The Heart of Briar Rose	KATHLEEN LIEBL
The Little Mother	MARION WEIGLER
Billy Brad's Big Lie	ARVILLE KAIN
Selection by the Glee Club	
The Initiation of Georgie Basset	LUCILLE SCHWARTZ
Laddie	MARIE KOWALKOWSKI
The Soldier's Reprieve	BETTY WEYENBERG
Man O'God	HELEN JONES

First place went to Helen Jones; second, to Lucille Schwartz; while third was tied between Marie Kowalkowski and Evelyn Arnett.

Penny Dances

THIS year the Annual staff is endeavoring to raise money for the Annual by a number of different ways and means that have not up to nineteentwenty-five, been tried in Menasha High. The first attempt was quite a success. Although the proceeds of this affair were not so remarkably high, still we have planted the seed.

On Friday, December 12, at 3:30 o'clock the Annual staff gave a dance in the corridor of the High School. The music was furnished by the Second Floor Syncopators. This was the first dance ever attempted by the students, and the fact that it was a "penny dance," made it very popular. By the crowd of students and teachers present we believe that this is just what was needed, not only to help financial matters but to increase the pep of the school, and enable the students to get to know each other better, thus working more in unison and cooperating more strongly.

The dances on each succeeding Friday were successful both financially and socially.

The Football Banquet

In appreciation of the good team work of the High School football squad the girls of Menasha High School gave a banquet at the Menasha High School building November 25, 1924.

Each member of the squad was privileged to invite a young lady friend and preparations were made to accommodate forty guests.

The banquet was served at 6:45. The dinner was followed by a social program and speeches were given by Mr. Plenzke, Mr. Calder, Mr. Littlefield, Urban Rimmel, our ex-captain, and Clarence Mottl, our captain-elect. Carl Remich, the smallest fellow out for football, also gave a short speech.

The room was beautifully decorated in blue and white and a football trimmed with blue and white ribbons suspended by a string from the ceiling adorned the middle of the room.

After the dinner dancing was enjoyed until 10 o'clock and then the guests departed.

The Basketball Banquet

Because of the good work of the Basketball team of Menasha High School, the Girls' Athletic Association gave the squad a banquet in the Domestic Science Room of the Menasha High School building on April 16, 1925.

As at the football banquet each member of the team was privileged to bring a young lady friend.

After the dinner several speeches were made and then dancing was enjoyed. The event proved to be a very successful one.

Nicolet Benefit Movies

THE Annual Staff have given movies, sales and dances for the benefit of the Annual. Four clubs have been organized to sell for the various happenings. Two movies have already been given and two more will follow soon. The titles of the two are: "Mother, I Need You" and "Twenty Dollars a Week."

The four clubs are:

THE PEP-PER CLUB

THE GO-GETTERS

THE BEAT 'EM ALL CLUB

THE SALESMAN SAM CLUB

The Staff is divided like this so as to kindle a spirit of competition. The purpose is to see who and which team can sell most tickets and make the largest amount of money. The individual who earns the most, gets a prize of \$2.00 and the winning team is treated by the other teams to a banquet. Opposition and competition run high and many pupils have made goodly records.

Prom Boosters

The Junior class gave several boosters to raise money for the Prom to take place this year. These boosters were given at the "Orpheum" and were very successful.

The first one took place on November 14, 1924, and was Laura La Plante in "Excitement." The next one was held on February 20, 1925 and was entitled "Lost in a Big City."

They were both very successful, and all the pupils showed their splendid cooperation by turning out 100%.

Program for Lincoln's Birthday

Opening Song	ASSEMBLY
Lincoln's Place in History	ANNE NOVAKOWSKI
Recitation	MARIE KOWALKOWSKI
If Lincoln Were Living Today	ELLSWORTH ELLINGBOE
Solo	DOROTHY CRAWFORD
Stories About Lincoln	RUTH DENNIS
Recitation	HELEN JONES
Closing Song	ASSEMBLY

Reading of the Lincoln Essay by Miss Jones.
 Miss Hampel awarded the Lincoln Medal to Merle Bliss.
 The title of the winning essay was "God's Great Man."

Program for Washington's Birthday

Opening Song	ASSEMBLY
Recitation "Washington"	EDNA GUTCHOW
The Boyhood of Washington	HAROLD SCHOLL
Solo "The Home Road"	KATHLEEN LIEBL
Stories about Washington	MILDRED HOFFMAN
Recitation "Ages of Washington"	EVELYN ARNETT
Duet "Land of Hope and Freedom"	BERNICE LANDIG AND HELEN WALTER

The remainder of the program consisted of a talk by Mr. S. E. Crockett, Director of the Vocational School, on his trip to Washington, D. C.

Closing Song	ASSEMBLY
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The Junior Prom

THE Junior Prom given by the class of 1925 was held May 2, 1924. This event proved to be very successful.

The hall was beautifully decorated. A large vase filled with colored flowers adorned the center of the hall. Crepe paper was hung from the sides of the hall to the center. Butterflies were suspended from this paper. Blue and gray panels with lattice work of white and blue were placed in each corner of the hall.

The Edgewater Beach Orchestra of Milwaukee furnished the music.

The Prom committee was composed of:

<i>Prom Chairman</i>	JACK HOHEISEL
<i>Finance</i>	FREDERICK JENSEN
<i>Orchestra</i>	ROBERT SCHLEGEL
<i>Invitations</i>	URBAN REMMEL
<i>Refreshment</i>	HELEN WALTER
<i>Decorations</i>	WALTER PIERCE

Class Play of '24

The class play, an annual event, was held in the Auditorium on May 29, 1924 and was a decided success, due to the able coaching of Miss C. O'Connor. The title of the play was "Miss Somebody Else" and those who participated were:

JEANNETTE JONES	<i>Constance Darcy</i>
LUELLA WATTEN	<i>Celeste</i>
MILDRED POHLEY	<i>Ann Delavan</i>
BETTINA SINDELAR	<i>Mildred Delavan</i>
DORCAS PAGE	<i>Mrs. Blainwood</i>
VIOLA VETTER	<i>Fay Blainwood</i>
MAY YOUNG	<i>Alice Stanley</i>
HELEN CORRY	<i>Freda Mason</i>
FLOSSIE BURROWS	<i>Mrs. Herrick</i>
LEONA BOYCE	<i>Susan Ruggs</i>
MILTON MALCHOW	<i>Cruger Blainwood</i>
HYMAN ROGATZ	<i>Ralph Hastings</i>
LAWRENCE GOSZ	<i>John</i>
LORRAINE WHEELER	<i>Selma Taylor</i>
CLEMENS KOSLOSKI	<i>Jasper Delavan</i>
RAY GIESE	<i>Sylvester Crane</i>
MILTON ZICKUHR	<i>James Kelsey</i>
CARL KRONBERG	<i>Arthur Mills</i>
CLAUDE MEYER	<i>Bert Shaffer</i>

[[THE NICOLET]]

Vaudeville

A Vaudeville was given at the Auditorium by the Annual Staff on Monday, March 23. Through the splendid coaching of Miss Anita Jones the Vaudeville was successful.

The piano accompanist was Miss Doran.

The following program was presented:

How Do You Do	CHORUS
Minstrel Opening	CHORUS

VAIT A MINUTE

Abie	JACK HOHEISEL
Ikey	HARVEY CLOUGH

THE LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE

German Schoolmaster	JACK HOHEISEL
The Hebrew Boy	HARVEY CLOUGH
The New Boy	KARL HESS
The Bad Boy	FRED JENSEN

THE SPANISH TARANTELLA

HELEN PETERSON ELEANOR CLOUGH

Hey, Rube	WESLEY SAECKER
Solo	WALTER PIERCE

SOLOS

Roses of Picardy	WALTER PIERCE
Absent	WALTER PIERCE

MATTER OF CHOICE

One Act Play

John Brent	HAROLD PIERCE
Mrs. John Brent	HELEN WALTER
Aunt Margaret	EVELYN ARNETT
Jennie Brent	BERNICE LANDIG
Marcia Brent	RUTH DENNIS
Phoebe Brent	MILDRED HOFFMAN
Henry Brent	FRED JENSEN

BUY A NICOLET	CHORUS
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