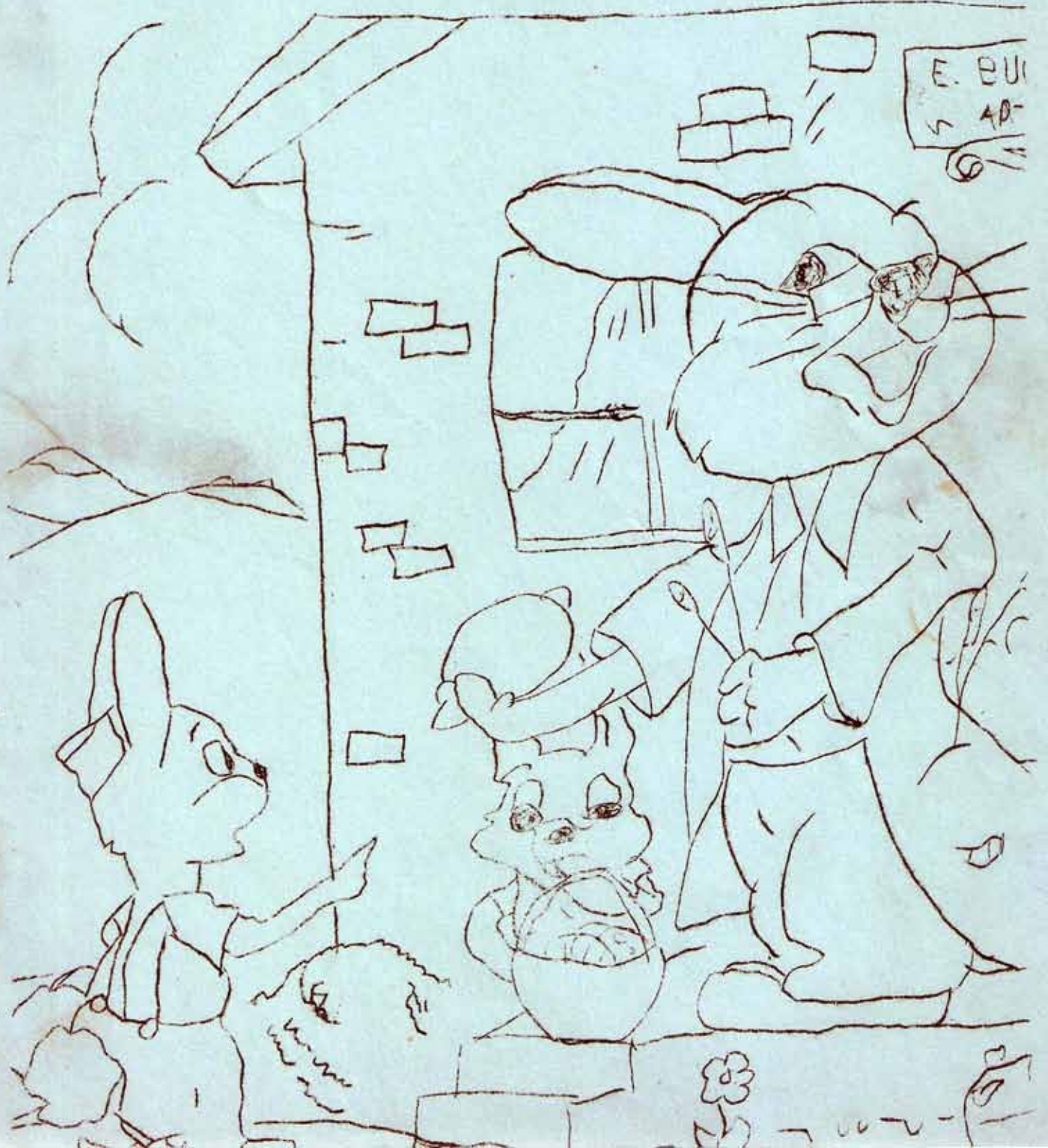


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SCHOOL CALENDAR

March 12 - Operetta, "Mississippi
 Melody"
 March 12 - Volleyball - Pike at
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 March 19 - Volleyball - Pike at
 Zone
 March 24 - County Teachers' Meeting
 March 26 - 7th & 8th Skating party
 March 30 - Educational Movie
 March 24 - 26 State Tests

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OPERETTA

This year the operetta will be on March 12. The name of it is "Mississippi Melody" and is all about Mark Twain's famous characters, Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. Here is a list of the characters and who portrays them.

Tom Sawyer - - - - -Rex Ulrich
 Huckleberry Finn - - - Larry Shelt
 Joe Harper - - - - Ralph Beaverson
 Ben Rogers - - - - Theodore Moon
 Sidney - - - - - Roger Smith
 Pudd'nhead Wilson- - - -Carl Kolbe
 Steamboat Sam - - - -Duane Peabody
 Aunt Polly - - - - Gloria Thompson
 Mary - - - - -Ann Lane
 Mrs. Sereny Harper-Janice Tuckerman
 Susy Harper - - - - -Pat Armstrong
 Becky Thatcher - - - - -Carol Cook
 Widow Douglas - - - -Carol Kistner
 Miss Watson- - - Kathleen Onweller
 Mrs. Sally Phelps- - - -Sue Linn
 Ella Mae Phelps - - - - Pat Nord
 Mammy - - - - -Carol Sue Smith
 Jim - - - - -Roger Viers

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ANNUALS

We are very sorry to announce that there will not be any annuals distributed this year. We would have gone ahead with the 60 orders that came in, because Mr. Danis

thought that with 60 guaranteed orders we could have easily sold 100 copies. However, it was decided that if an annual is to be really complete it must contain a record of the whole year's activities, and so to be really effective it must be started in the fall instead of early spring. He also believes that with more investigation of different types of annuals this year, we will be ready to start next fall on an annual that will serve our purposes better than the one put out by the company we had considered.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE

This year we were again asked to make posters for the Farmers' Institute at Brailey. Our school contributed five posters.

In the eighth grade division, Larrie Skates won first prize and Rex Ulrich won second prize. In the seventh grade division, Roger Smith won second prize.

We were very pleased to hear of these awards.

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TUBERCULOSIS PATCH TESTS

By Pat Nord

The first, third, and sixth grades were patch tested Monday, Feb. 15 and were read Friday, Feb. 20. All results were negative.

In case some people might get the wrong idea about these patch tests we will explain a little bit of what they are for.

A positive patch test T. B. reaction does not mean that you have tuberculosis. It only means that you have at some time taken enough tuberculosis germs into your body to set up a reaction. Therefore, all reactors and all of the members of his or her family are given a chest X-ray authorization. The X-ray is what they go by to determine if you have or do not have tuberculosis.

Patch tests can only be given with the written permission of the parents on slips that were sent home with the children.

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MARCH OF DIMES

This year the little March of Dimes folders were in the shape of musical notes. The amount of money collected by our school with these folders was \$35.12.

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INQUIRING REPORTER

By Pat Nord

Since I had to make this a short question, here is the one I have chosen.

"What is the name of your favorite horse in the movies?"

Carol Kistner - Ko Ko, Rex Allen's horse.

Ralph Beaverson - Champion, Gene Autry's horse.

Carol Cook - Topper, Hopalong Cassidy's horse.

Chuck Riegsecker - Buckshot, "Wild Bill" Hickok's horse.

Carol Sue Smith - Trigger, Jr., Roy Roger's horse.

John LaSalle - Fury, Straight Arrow's horse.

Paul Ulrich - Trigger, Roy Roger's horse.

Sue Linn - Topper, Hopalong Cassidy's horse.

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FIRST GRADE NEWS

We are happy to have a new pupil, Alfred Fegly, from Toledo.

Our newest work is learning our number combinations. So far we have learned sixteen different ones and know them well. We have 90 altogether to learn before school is out, so we have to work hard.

If you would come to visit us, you would find that we are becoming pretty good readers. Some of us are through with our primers, and ready for our first readers. The rest of us are reading in our primers.

We are working on the letters and their sounds. This is fun, and we enjoy it more than anything else we do.

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SECOND GRADE NEWS

We made some clocks for arithmetic class. They have hands that

move. They will help us learn to tell time. We are learning Roman Numerals, too. We are doing good work in arithmetic.

We made kites to decorate our room. They have long tails. Some day we will fly them.

Beverly Whitmire had a birthday party. Her mother brought ice cream, cup cakes and suckers.

We have a new girl in our room. Her name is Eloise Watkins and she is from Liberty. We are glad to have her with us.

We are learning to write. We write our spelling words and make up sentences. It is fun to use these words in sentences and stories.

The Jets have just finished reading about Cowboys and Indians and are reading about the seashore. The Rockets are in the mountains with Mr. Carl.

We are getting anxious for spring. Some of us have seen signs of spring on the way to school. Kathy saw a robin and Jean Ann brought some beautiful pussy willows. We are all watching for other signs.

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FIFTH GRADE NEWS

Hello Pike Gazette readers. Here we are again to write the news. We all like school very much.

In arithmetic we are learning fractions; add, subtract, and changing denominators.

In spelling we have races every Thursday and on Friday we have our test.

In geography we have been reviewing states and capitals and all of our outline.

We have been using synonyms and antonyms in English.

In history we had our tests and are starting a new chapter.

In reading we are reading about "The Spring Thaw". It is very interesting.

In music we are learning new songs and have been listening to records which Miss Meier has brought.

Mrs. Havens is now reading "The Son of the Black Stallion".

In art we made shamrocks and Irish hats for our bulletin boards.

We had a Valentine party with all good things to eat. We didn't get to play games at our party because time ran out. But we had a lot of fun playing the games the next gym day.

Oh yes, we also have helpers for the room to keep it tidy.

Connie and Bonnie Kistner have had their tonsils out.

Well, good-bye for now.

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THIRD GRADE NEWS

We have a new girl in our class. Her name is Janice Herod. She used to go to a school near Toledo.

In arithmetic we are learning to multiply.

We are learning about dairy products in geography.

We have spelling races with the fourth grade to learn our spelling words.

We had a nice Valentine party. There was lots of food to eat and we played a few games.

School was closed for three days because of the bad weather. We enjoyed our vacation very much.

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FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Hi! Here we are again.

In reading we each read a different story and give reports to the class on that story.

In arithmetic we are multiplying by two numbers.

We made Irish pigs and shamrocks and pipes to decorate our room.

Miss Barnes had two wisdom teeth pulled. Mrs. Lane was our teacher while Miss Barnes was absent. Miss Barnes is to have two more teeth pulled and she promised to bring one to school if they come out good.

'Bye until next time.

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SIXTH GRADE NEWS

By Janet Reed

Hi everyone! Well, here we are again. This six weeks we have worked pretty hard.

I think we all enjoyed our school community play very well. We had a couple of movies, too. Every noon both boys and girls have played basketball which included the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. They have chosen teams. The girls play one week and the boys the next.

In arithmetic we have worked on some decimals, story problems, and some problem practice. In spelling we are doing fair. In social studies for some of us it has been pretty good.

In English we are working on different kinds of speeches. I guess our newest thing is prepositions.

In the rest of our studies we sometimes have trouble and sometimes we don't.

Well, I guess that's all for this six weeks. So long.

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SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

By Roger Smith

Hi there!

In arithmetic we are reviewing percentage, discounts, and the like. In English we are studying pronouns and their forms. In geography we are learning about South America and its different countries. In spelling we are on Unit 22.

We had a basketball game between the boys on the 8th grade team. They picked their teams from the fifth, sixth, and seventh graders; two seventh graders, and as many fifth and sixth graders that they wanted, as long as they only had 7 on the team. The Eagles, Rex's team, won the boys' championship.

The Pilots, Carol Cook's team, won the girls' championship.

See you next six weeks' period.

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EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

By Gloria Thompson

Hi everybody! My how time flies. It's time to write news again.

We had a Valentine party in our room on February 12. We had quite a few little visitors.

In English we are studying the common use of nouns and pronouns.

In health and science we are studying the body's muscles and what they need in order to grow. In spelling we are on Unit 22. In arithmetic we all made big field protractors to measure ponds and marshes. Some of the boys and girls went out to measure the pond back of the school to see how wide it is.

In history we are studying the beginning of our industries.

Well, that's about all for now. See you next six weeks.

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8th GRADE A B C's

By Pat Nord

Ardent - - - - -	-Carl Kolbe
Brilliant - - - - -	-Gloria Thompson
Calm - - - - -	-Roger Viers
Eager - - - - -	-Dannie Miller
Famous - - - - -	-Beatrice Smith
Goodlooking - - - - -	-Ralph Beaverson
Hilarious - - - - -	-Nathan Bliss
Innocent - - - - -	-Twila Olmstead
Joyful - - - - -	-Roger Viers
Keen - - - - -	-Larrie Skates
Lean - - - - -	-Rex Ulrich
Marvelous - - - - -	-Carol Kistner
Novelist - - - - -	-Carol Cook
Organized - - - - -	-Pat Nord
Perfect - - - - -	-Carol Kistner
Roundabout - - - - -	-Carl Kolbe
Smart - - - - -	-Carol Cook
Thoughtful - - - - -	-Gloria Thompson
Universal - - - - -	-Chuck Riegsecker
Visible - - - - -	-Beatrice Smith
Watchful - - - - -	-Gerald O'Brien
Xciting - - - - -	-Twila Olmstead
Young - - - - -	-Chuck Riegsecker
Zealous - - - - -	-James Riegsecker

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FIVE FAT PIGGIES

By Beatrice Smith

Five fat piggies quarreled for their dinner,

One didn't get any and he became thinner,

Four fat piggies in the mud they rolled,

One got wet and caught a cold,

Three fat piggies sleeping in the hay,

One wasn't tired so he ran away,

Two fat piggies saw a bumblebee,

One got stung on his left hind knee.

One fat piggy lonesome for his brothers.

He got tired and ran away like the others.

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GIRLS' SPORTS

by Twila Olmstead

We have been playing basketball in gym. We think it is fun since we learned how to play it. About two weeks ago Mr. Denis said that the girls were to have basketball teams. All of the eighth grade girls were to choose a team out of the fifth, sixth, and seventh graders.

Monday, Feb. 15, Gloria Thompson's team, "Jets" played Pat Nord's team, "Indians". The "Jets" won 10 - 4. Tuesday, Twila Olmstead's team, "Golden Rockets" played Carol Kistner's team, "Eskimos". The "Eskimos" won 7 - 6. Wednesday, Beatrice Smith's team "Rockets" played Carol Cook's team "Pilots". The "Pilots" won 8 - 3. Thursday the winners of Monday, the "Jets" played the winner of Tuesday, the "Eskimos". The "Eskimos" won 4 - 2. Friday the winners of Wednesday, the "Pilots" played the winners of Thursday, the "Eskimos". The "Pilots" won 14 - 4. The "Pilots" were the champions of the basketball teams.

Now that basketball season is over, we have started practicing softball when weather permits.

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GIGGLES & GOSSIP

Here's a young couple for you. Richie K. and Susan R.

Well Ann L. has made the column again. This time with Carl K. Quite interesting!!

Pat A. and Twila O. both have some pretty shiny rings! Could they be from Carl O. and Robert S.?

I hear John S. has his eye on Carol S.

Ralph B. has really got some admirers. Among them are Sharon L. Carolyn T., Beatrice S., M. W. and Evelyn H.

Gloria T. thinks J. G. and M. L. are pretty nice. J. G. is from York.

What's this about Patricia L. from the 2nd grade and Bob S.?? Where does Dick L. stand?

I've been hearing some pretty good reports lately on Bonnie K. and Leland H. and Connie K. and Bill L.

It seems there's some doubt in Sharon M.'s mind about H. B. and M. H.

I hear Sharon O'B.'s been doing a lot of talking about her latest, Hal L.

I hear that Deanna M. likes Allen L.

Nancy O'B.'s a puzzler. First I hear she likes Ronnie M., then G. M. and now some boy from Illinois. Since Joyce W. likes Ronnie M. now, it's either G. M. or her Ill. boy.

I asked Larry S. about his latest and his reply--"Huh!"

Wouldn't you just know P. N.'s got another? Now it's Jim Carlyle from Washington D. C. In every letter she writes, "I don't want a ricochet romance!"

I guess Larry Shelt and Janet R. are still on the list of the year-round love interest group. The others, needless to say, are Rex and Janice, and Roger and Sue.

Carol K.'s been keeping pretty quiet about her latest, but I understand she doesn't have much trouble finding companionship at the skating rink. E. S. from Wauseon, for example.

I couldn't leave Marilyn W. out. Especially after she told me to put Larry L. and Corky V. both in.

Here's some cheerful news now. Joyce H. and Jim G.

There's quite a question about Kenny K. and Jackie H. There seems to be a third party. V. R. to be exact.

Wouldn't you just know that Carolyn D. has Hal W. and Jim M. interested? Well, it proves that two are better than one.

Carolyn Secondcost has a boyfriend with the initials of J. G., too. Now which is this?

The last I knew Sharon H. liked Joey H., but now there's some doubt. Maybe Kenny O'B.??
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