IN AND AROUND THE HIGH SCHOOL

The school year is almost at its close. We have but three weeks after the present one, and every pupil in the High School should put forth his best effort during that time to complete the work in a meritorious manner and be able to come in "on the home stretch" with flying colors.

It is a poor athlete who begins his race with a blare of trumpets but falls by the wayside ere his goal is reached. It is a poor student who begins the year's work with strong resolve and high ambitions, but who fails to keep up his interest and zeal until his work is complete. It is the steady faithful, day by day endeavor that wins out in the end.

The ball player is not satisfied with merely making first or second base, but his full determination is to make every base and get "across the plate" safely. Our year of school work may be likened in a measure to the game of ball. We should not be satisfied with good work the first month, or the first semester, but we should have the stick-to-it-iveness which will make us do our level best up to the last day of school. Such firmness of will marks the true student—the one who is not satisfied to merely "squeeze through," but rather who studies for the sake of knowledge itself.

It seems to me that at this time it would not be amiss for we boys and girls of the High school to recall one of Aesop's fables, the one which relates the race between the hare and the tortoise. The hare, confident of his speed, considered himself the champion runner of the animal kingdom. When the tortoise agreed to run a race with him, he thought the animal was a joke. He was so sure that the slow plodding turtle could never cut him down that he decided to take a nap before starting on the race. When the tortoise lacked the speed he more than made up in sure, steady plodding and by going steadily on and he came out victorious.

There is a great satisfaction in work well done, and especially in school work. If we school students look upon our vacation as a time for rest, we shall not be able to appreciate the vacation a little but better if we realize that we are now in "on the home stretch" in a good manner.

Wednesday morning the High school assembled as usual but things did not move smoothly. Your friends all around were seen holding their head and feeling wretched. In the half mothed looking group assembled the last victim, there, sick and feeling. By the time he had called with several companions of your sex, you getting the fatal mutants years of fo you, he said, they said.

By afternoon the conditions had decreased quite rapidly and we were getting quite alarming. A member of the Board of Health was called in great haste to see the sick people. He could find no particular cause and announced that they thought that the trouble was only the old fashioned lazy germ. He gave us feeling quite well enough to get in bed and a bill passed with "The grand" [illegible] the coming [illegible] which they heard rush by [illegible] and not come very sick.

That evening the Senior recital and [illegible] of the School Band were in great demand [illegible] for [illegible] of every [illegible] were heard. It would take too long to mention the variety of [illegible] which it was supposed to be started and some [illegible] stated that it was smallpox.

The next morning the students were very glad to hear the announcement that a meeting had been held the evening before and it was decided to close the High school for [illegible] the work as even the teachers were feeling very badly. We here [illegible] poor mortals that had to be in bed at home on a "liquid diet" while the rest were having a vacation will get their vacation soon.

The college requirements for shorthand are seventy-five words a minute in dictation on new material, and twenty-five words a minute transcribed on the typewriter. Of the shorthand class Fred Shoger, Joseph Miller and Vera Dickson have already passed that test. We wish to congratulate those people, and say to the others that we hope that they will pass the test before the finals.

The most difficult thing which the Freshmen have had to do in English this year is, write a magazine story. The stories are especially good this year. Some of the pupils illustrated their stories, and others made them like a regular magazine, putting all kinds of advertisements on the pages. Miss Edsall has put the stories in book form and laid them on the stage, so that we may all read them in our leisure moments. Some of the most popular stories are: "The Young Violinist" by Ethel Johnson; "The Unclaimed Trunk" by Catherine Butler; "The Gold Leak" by Merville Morton and "The Three Spies" by Barbara Skelly.

The Sophomores are learning a lot of things which they never knew before. (We wonder how that is possible). About three weeks ago the Ancient History class finished the book which they began at the beginning of the year, and began "The World War and What Was Behind It." Besides this, they report on the war every day, and they usually have some interesting discussions on conditions in foreign countries. In English the Sophomores are reading a book called "Democracy." This book contain Lowell's address on Democracy at Birmingham, England; Cleveland's address on Washington; Rossevelt's Inaugural address and several of President Wilson's addresses to Congress. The Sophs have decided that they would rather live in this country than in Russia or Germany. We wish to congratulate the Sophomores for this wonderful display of brains, as we didn't know that they had any.

Personals

Miss Miller says that school will close three weeks from this coming Friday or May 24, A. D. 1918.

Leo Rogers and Margaret Wolf have been sick for several weeks.

We are sorry to say that Paul Vaughn and Winston Roth left their home town, Downers Grove, last Monday morning to help detect the Hun in working on a farm in South Dakota.

Miss Edsall spent the past week in the city. She says that nothing exciting happened except that she saw a good play.

Mr. Fearley and Miss King were [illegible] day [illegible]

The Freshmen party has been put off because there are so many things going on at the school. The new date for the party has not been set.

The boys who work on farms this summer will learn one thing that they did not know before, namely, the number of acres in an acre.

Let Life's Tool!

There is one important date which we wish all to keep in mind, and that is May 10th when the Senior play "The Girls Over Here" (For the Boys Over There), will be presented at the High school Assembly Hall. On account of illness in the school it was found necessary to postpone it from the date previously mentioned to May 10th.

HONOR ROLL FOR APRIL

Seniors

Bessey, Ruth	Klein, Esther
Diener, Martha	Shoger, Fred
Ichl, Ruby	

Juniors

Conley, Clare	Kobley, Veronica
Conley, Helen	Modjeska, Roland
Gregory, George	Nielsen, Viola
Hoffert, Charlotte	Wheeler, Grace
Kellog, Hazel	

Sophomores

Breidelman, Helen	Phelps, Dorothy
Boon, Guthrie	Putnam, Harriet
Campbell, Margaret	Verdenius, Delight
Christofson, Grace	Wales, Raymond
Kolar, Edward	Waples, Ruth
Morgan, Ben	

Freshmen

Brun, Harold	Johnson, Ethel
Butler, Catherine	Morton, Merville
Campbell, Whitney	Nielsen, Marie
Dorgan, Helen	Radell, Fannie
Kelly, Flora	Reed, Jack
Kobley, Elizabeth	

Swindlers' Trick Takes Money Sent to Soldiers

Relatives and friends of several soldiers in Army camps have been victimized by swindlers who wired for funds under false pretenses. In substance it was stated that some be sent by wire waiving identification, or by mail to general delivery, the customary explanation being that the soldier had been discharged and would have no means of establishing identification, nor of getting mail addressed to his company.

The following is a typical telegram sent to the father of a soldier in a southern camp:

"Have been discharged. Coming home. Going to Atlanta through country tonight. Please wire me $60 at Atlanta so I may pay for uniform and come home direct. Waive identification as I am not known in Atlanta. Wire cash quick so I can get it tomorrow morning."

Before being complied with, any request for money to be sent under such conditions should be verified by a letter or telegram to the commanding officer of the camp in which the man whose name is signed to the request is stationed.

Substitute That Shines.

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Experts in Shooting Train Men at Camps in Use of Rifles.

The National Army and many organizations of the National Guard having been equipped with the United States rifle, model of 1917 (mounted Enfield), it became necessary to devise some plan whereby troops might be efficiently trained in the use of this weapon on short time.

A statement authorized by the Department tells how expert rifle shooting, many of them members of United States teams which won international shooting matches, were commissioned and sent to various camps as instruct officers and men in shooting and in the operation and care of the rifle.

Taking camp [illegible] more than three men gave a shooting exhibition on the company and a squad [illegible] which subdivided the [illegible] being 5 minutes for the [illegible] and 22 minutes for a [illegible] firing. There also [illegible] the rifle. The [illegible] in the package [illegible] to make repairs to rifles in the field. Frequently they will have to do their work at night, when they will not have the use of light, and therefore they must be thoroughly trained in taking down the rifle and putting in new parts by touch.

Motor Truck Companies Get Training in Driving at Night.

Night driving of motor-truck supply trains from the West to the seaboard has been started by the Quartermaster's Department as a step toward final training to fit men for service in France.

According to the Council of National Defense, the experience gained in cross-country convoy work has made the truck companies able to travel entirely independent of the countryside. Camps are made at the regular hour, no matter where the company is located, except that open country is given preference over cities.

Food for Soldiers Is Carefully Inspected by Quartermasters Corps

The Quartermasters Corps, charged with the responsibility of feeding and clothing the soldiers, is rigidly inspecting the food purchased for the troops to see that only pure articles are supplied. As an indication of the amount of food [illegible] be maintained, [illegible] authorized by the Quartermaster General [illegible] 400 men consume daily [illegible] in beef, 225,000 pounds of [illegible] 60,000 pounds of [illegible] 30,000 pounds.

[illegible] to launch [illegible] which began at the [illegible] Each of [illegible] the Quartermaster [illegible] subsistence [illegible] inspectors on the [illegible] and other [illegible] The result at Washington [illegible] of a well-[illegible] for the Army. The specifications which the packer must [illegible] are [illegible]

[illegible] of any [illegible] inspectors, meaning the [illegible] of dealers who have [illegible] to supply [illegible] of parts of the Army [illegible] account attempts to obtain contracts at other points.

The officers and crew of the German submarine captured November 17 by the U. S. S. Fanning, have been brought from England to the United States.

The total acreage in sugar cane in the 24 sugar parishes of Louisiana in 1918, is estimated at 218,000 acres as compared with 293,000 in 1917 and 315,000 in 1909.

The minister of Agriculture of Brazil has been authorized to establish modern experimental farms and agricultural colonies, especially for the education of orphans and abandoned children.

Two per cent of the enlisted personnel of the divisions and detached units of the Regular Army, National Guard, and National Army, excepting the Coast Artillery and various staff corps, will be designated to attend the fourth series of officers' training schools, which will open May 15. Admission has also been granted to some men who have had at least one years' military training under Army officers at educational institutions that have earned Government recognition.

LODGE & CLUB DIRECTORY

GROVE LODGE NO. 824, A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings, second and fourth Fridays at 8 o'clock p. m. at Masonic hall, Curtiss and Main streets. Fred Dowe, Sec. Geo. O. Prickett Worshipful Master.

GROVE CHAPTER, NO. 230 R. A. M. — Stated meeting first Thursday of each month in Masonic hall at 8 o'clock p. m. Visiting Companions always welcome. H. E. Tank, E. H. P., H. F. Legenhausen, Secretary.

VESTA CHAPTER, No. 242, O. E. S.—Meet second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Mrs. Minnie Olsen, Worthy Matron; W. F. Heintz, Worthy Patron; Ona Lower, Sec.

MAPLE GROVE LODGE No. 529, K. of P. Meets first & third Wednesday nights in Zindt's hall. L. L. Cheyalier, Chancellor Commander; H. F. Legenhausen, K. of R. & S.

NAPER POST, No. 468 G. A. R.—Meets the second Saturday, 2:30 p. m. of each month in G A R hall. F. A. Rogers, Commander; George L. Hughes, Senior Commander; P. Leibundguth, Jr., Commander; E. W. Farrer, Officer of the day; R. W. Bond, Adjutant; George B. Heart Quartermaster; W. [illegible] Breidelman Chaplain; George [illegible] Officer of the day.

DOWNERS GROVE HIVE [illegible] Meets [illegible]

VICTORY COUNCIL, No. [illegible] Meets [illegible]

DOWNERS GROVE LODGE No. 750, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Masonic hall. [illegible] Secretary.

MAPLE CAMP NO. 89, M. W. A., meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in Zindt's hall. W. B. Fleming, V. C.; L. O. Miller, Clerk.

DOWNERS GROVE CHAPTER Daughters of the American Revolution. Hold a monthly meeting on the third Tuesday of each month in the homes of the members. Officers of the chapter are; Regent, Mrs. Verne Franciscus; Mrs. Lavara Harmon, Secretary.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA Home Camp, No. 379. Meets the third Tuesday evening of each month in Zindt's hall. Mrs. M. E. Cooper Oracle; Miss Agnes Venard, Recorder.

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22 acres with 10 room house, modern, large barn, all buildings new, fruit trees. A real bargain for $13,000. Make me an offer.

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[illegible] acres with 6-room house, barn, [illegible] village limits [illegible]

[illegible] room house, cement basement [illegible] all buildings in good condition, about two blocks [illegible] price $4,500.

[illegible] with 6-room house, cement basement, hot water heat, hardwood floors downstairs, barn, extra large [illegible] all kinds of fruit, city [illegible] one block from village limits price $2,800. Easy terms.

[illegible] bungalow near, all modern east front, lot 75x125 price $3600.

[illegible] room house, steam heat, bath, hardwood floors, [illegible] stores, on paved street a bargain for $3,000 easy terms

[illegible] acres with 8-room house, barn, [illegible] fruit, about two and one-half miles from station price $4500 [illegible] on main stone road some timber and fair buildings price $135 per acre.

[illegible] house, all modern in best condition large front porch lot 40x275 [illegible] price $4500.

If you are looking for a trade in a country home let me hear from you as I have several parties that will exchange a small farm for Downers Grove property.

[illegible] room cottage with cement basement water and gas on paved street best of location price $2000.

6 room cottage, with water gas and bath one block from station can be bought on easy terms price $2000.

[illegible] new stucco house on paved street, cement basement, furnace heat [illegible], large living room, book cases [illegible] oak trim, bath, sleeping porch [illegible] station, good neighborhood. A bargain at $4300. Terms.

6 room house, hot water heat, all modern, best part of north side, $800.

58x142 east front lot, just outside of village limits, good neighborhood, price $200.

7 room house, cement basement, furnace heat, laundry, bath, fireplace, electric lights, large lot, $4,300.

5-room bungalow, new, all modern, good location, east front, lot 75x125, price $2,600.

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