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AWARDS ANNOUNCED IN BOOK BINDING CONTEST; STUDENTS HIGHLY PRAISED BY JUDGES

SEVERAL weeks of work by students in the art classes of the public schools on a book binding project reached a successful conclusion Friday and today, when prizes were awarded for the best books. The project was carried on under direction of Miss Emma Grattan, supervisor of art.

The board of judges has not completed its work, but so far as the results are known, they are as follows.

The first prize for the best book made by a student at Washington high school, a \$5 gold piece, is awarded to Carlisle Shields, a twelve-A student. It is the gift of Mrs. George B. Douglas.

Three prizes of \$2.00 in gold are awarded for the three next best books made by Washington high students. They go to Alfred Pills, ten A; Robert Thompson, 12A, LeRoy McFarlen, ten B; Arthur Poe is the giver of two of these three prizes. Mrs. Douglas of one.

In the ninth grade junior high school, two awards have been made. Lucille M. Stumph, a student at McKinley high, is awarded a book, "Rhymes of Childhood," by Edgar A. Guest, for the best book containing clippings of poems taken from The Evening Gazette. The award is made by Morris Sanford company through Mrs. Lulu Teeter of the book department.

Prize for Masterpieces. Another book prize for the best ninth grade book containing prints of art masterpieces is awarded to Mary Nissen of McKinley. It is a book, "East of the Sun and West of the Moon," containing old tales from the North. Illustrated by Roy Nielsen. It is presented by Mrs. Douglas.

The judges were Mrs. George B. Douglas, Mrs. Arthur Poe and Mrs. Howard Hall. Mrs. Hall took the place of Dr. Harry M. Gago of Coe college, who was on the committee but was called out of town.

Several other prizes are yet to be awarded and the judges were at work making the selections this afternoon.

The art department of the Women's club has offered \$10 in cash to be distributed as follows: three prizes of \$1 each for each of the three best books of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, one prize of \$1 for the best book made by a third grade pupil.

The judges are Mrs. Harry Johnson, Mrs. C. H. Britton and Mrs. F. E. Ormsby. Mrs. F. E. Ormsby was a member of the committee but was unable to serve.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Poe, several prizes were made possible. They were so generous that they gave the books that they made the added offer of the cash prizes given to Washington high school students.

Good Work Done. The Morris Sanford company gave another book prize for the best book made by a student at Washington high school. This book will be given as a special prize, the recipient yet to be chosen.

Several hundred books were spread out on the tables in the board of education rooms. These represented the cutting out by the teachers of the best from all those submitted.

Washington high books have cover designs in relief work with burnished finish. They will be used for note books, memory books or diaries.

Junior high books are neat examples of book binding original in color and design. The intermediate grade children made pretty colored books.

The judges conferred the highest praise on these books, and the project which has taught the boys and girls something of the artistry and skill represented in book making.

Both artistic beauty and workmanship were taken into consideration in the judging.

The art teachers under whom the books were made are as follows: Lou Truby, Washington high; Toile Benedict and Gertrude Romig, McKinley; Doris McGraw, Van Buren; Edwin Bruns, Mac Bryner; Ethel Bjorklund, Roosevelt; Elizabeth Sykes, Franklin.

CLEVELAND PARENTS AND TEACHERS HOLD MEETING

About fifty mothers and teachers were present for the meeting of the Cleveland Parent Teachers' association, held Tuesday at the school. The president, Mrs. F. L. Bokorney, presided. A program was given and many matters of interest were discussed.

The program included song "Welcome," recitation by Betty Coyne, "The Little Boy Who Lost His Shoe," by Mary Chalmers, two songs by Mrs. Jean Lancaister, accompanied by Mrs. Hopper.

At the conclusion of the program, Mrs. Lancaister, who was assisted by Mrs. Hopper, presented a paper on "The Importance of the Home in the Education of the Child."

The program was held in the school building, and the meeting was a most successful one.

NOTICE

To School Children

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Several guests have had luncheon in the school building. The last was Mr. Johnson and Mr. O'Brien, fathers of two of the pupils.

Among the guests Mrs. Emma Beck visited the building and had lunch there Thursday. John E. Judge, T. H. Fowler and Mrs. C. E. Roberts had lunch at the voting booth Monday and ate in the cafeteria.

Miss Gladys Arne, reporter and school editor for The Evening Gazette, was a guest at a luncheon given at the school building Monday.

Members of the class, Miss Ruby Biers principal and Mrs. L. H. St. John, English teacher, had an informal talk about the school on Tuesday.

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Take Principal Parts In Cantata To Be Given By Pupils Of Johnson



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BOBBY YAW, ELLEN WEIR, MARTHA JOY MASON

INTRODUCING the Prince, the Queen, and the Princess, Snow White.

They are three of the principal figures in the fairy cantata, "Snow White," telling the well known story of childhood, all about Snow White and her adventures with the Seven Dwarfs, to be presented by children of Johnson school at 7:30 on the evening of March 24 at McKinley Junior high school.

Ellen Weir as "Snow White," Martha Joy Mason as the "Queen," and Bobby Yaw as the "Prince" will have the support of the following children: Jack Edwards, "Chief Huntsman"; Harriet Matter, "Queen's Maid"; Margaret Crawford, "Fair Godmother"; Stanley Vesely, "Marvin Messenger"; Howard Secor, "John Winter"; James Moran, "James Munger"; Joseph Buss, the "Seven Dwarfs."

In addition there will be a chorus of twenty children. Mrs. Ella Williams, teacher of music at Johnson, is training the boys and girls. Miss Laura Thompson, principal, is in general charge. Color and quiet scenes are being made with the assistance of some of the parents, and will enhance the charm of the dramatic effects and the lyric beauty of the music, which was written by Sidney C. Durst.

The three children having the leading roles are all gifted young performers. Ellen Weir is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Weir, 1821 Blake boulevard. She is 9 years old. Martha Joy Mason, who is often heard in programs at St. Paul's church, is 11, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Mason, 1810 Washington avenue. Bobby Yaw is 10 years old and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Yaw, 392 South Twenty-first street. All three are in the fifth grade.

PUPILS' CONTRIBUTIONS

Editor's Foreword: The following article, by Harry D. Van Kuren, a junior at Washington high school, is the first that has been submitted to the department from a high school. The writer has had four years of military training. He is a member of the Fort Snelling Post, and has written a clear and interesting account of a military training camp.

By HARVEY D. VAN KUREN.

With all the discussions and controversies in our country today in regard to peace, disarmament and settlement of misunderstanding by friendly arbitration rather than by force, many citizens are inclined to look askance at the national movement to offer military training to boys and young men.

If one is inclined to take a narrow view of it, this does appear to be somewhat militaristic. But certainly the United States as a whole, with its broad views and acute perception of principles, would not permit such a movement, were its aim merely to create a formidable array of armed force which would threaten our peace and that of other nations.

On the young men and women of a nation depends the future success and security of that nation. For this reason numerous efforts are being made thoroughly to prepare our younger generation for its battle with life. The military training of our young men and boys is one of these efforts.

The Ideal Man. The ideal man has a well developed body and a thoroughly trained mind. He has both trained to work almost in perfect synchronism. Military training strives for all three results. Let us take, for instance, the citizen's military training camp.

Any young man from 17 to 24 is eligible to attend these camps. He is held at regular army posts in all parts of the United States. He is given a thorough physical examination and is issued uniform, equipment and training are furnished at the expense of the government.

At arrival at camp the young man is given a thorough physical examination after which he is issued uniform and equipment and assigned to his camp and barracks. For that day forth he is put through a system of revised army training.

He gets up at 5:45 every morning, cleans and tidies up his share of the barracks and goes to breakfast. After a substantial meal, prepared by army cooks, he goes out on the drill field.

For an hour he is drilled by regular army officers and non-commissioned officers. During the next hour he studies first aid, camp sanitation, personal hygiene, topography and nomenclature of his weapons.

He is given a half hour of singing up exercises. In this manner his drill and studies alternate until noon when he is dismissed for dinner.

Again he is treated to a sample, and a large sample of what army cooks can do. Immediately after his meal he sets off at a dead run for the barracks "cause the sergeant is calling for the mail." To the student soldier "mail call" is one of the most important incidents of the day.

After he has had ample time to read his letters and read the bulletin again, he is called to rank. But after a short hour of drill and another hour he is "on his own." He may go to the camp service club and write letters he may go swimming; he may watch activities of the regular soldiers at the post or he may read. He has no cares from then until 5:30, when he must "fall in" for "retreat."

Regular Routine. This is the most beautiful and in inspiring of all ceremonies. While the men stand at rigid attention, the band plays the "Star Spangled Banner" and the flag is lowered.

Following supper he is again "on his own" till 10:30 when "call to quarters" is sounded and he goes to bed.

The one notable characteristic of his day in camp is its regularity. At the end of his thirty days he receives his travel allowance, reluctantly takes leave of his buddies and starts for home. And nothing can equal that feeling of pride and glory when he enters the front door of his home, snaps to attention and says: "Hello, folks! Sure glad to see you and I've got a terrible appetite!"

Can you see the change in him? Well, I should smile. One is his swag, his stooped shoulders, muddy complexion, flabby muscles and ailing manner. He does everything with snap and energy. His mind is alert. And he comes back a far better prepared and loyal citizen of our United States than he was when he left.

A Talk on Holland. The seven-B class of Franklin junior high school enjoyed a talk about Holland by Lena Vonding. She told us mostly about Amsterdam. We were told that Amsterdam is a city of canals. For this reason numerous efforts are being made thoroughly to prepare our younger generation for its battle with life. The military training of our young men and boys is one of these efforts.

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JUNIOR HIGH MUSIC STUDENTS PERFORM

Four Hundred Children Take Part In Orchestra Program And Demonstration; Kansas City Fund Boosted.

A proud and appreciative audience, most of the members of which were parents of the young performers, filled the auditorium of Franklin junior high school Thursday evening to hear 400 junior high school children in an orchestra program and demonstration.

The program was in two parts, the first part given by 200 members of the beginning orchestras of Franklin, McKinley, Roosevelt and Van Buren, the second by 200 of the advanced orchestra members of the schools.

Hearers Impressed. The sight of the 200 little tots, many of them scarcely as big as the little children in the audience, which they played with remarkable skill and understanding. Their program opened with "America," and "The Star Spangled Banner."

Maj. Frederick Doetzel, head of the instrumental department, gave a talk explaining how the work is taught the beginners. The rhythmic drills used are of his own arrangement, planned especially for the junior high schools, and thousands of duplicates of the books have been made for this purpose. The beginners played exercises and scales to illustrate the method used.

The combined advanced orchestras of the high schools with Maj. Doetzel conducting, played, "March Militaire" (Schubert), "Meditation" from Thais (Massenet), "War Song" from The Merry Widow (Lehar), "The Swan" from Swan Lake (Tchaikovsky), "The Swan" from Swan Lake (Tchaikovsky), "The Swan" from Swan Lake (Tchaikovsky).

In order to illustrate the development of instrumental work in the schools, Maj. Doetzel had the players of the various instruments stand the oboes, the French horns, the clarinets, the violins and the more common instruments. It was shown that the instrumentation is now practically complete, but only a few years ago, the schools did not possess any of those more unusual instruments.

Solos Given. Special features of the program were a violin solo by Adella Kriz, concert master of Washington high school orchestra, accompanied by her sister, Edna, and a trumpet solo by Jack Decker, Long Ago, a junior high, with Miss Ruth Richards accompanying.

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School Boy Hobbies Found To Range From Cranberry Growing To Radio

THE HOBBIES of school boys may range anywhere from radio to cranberry growing, from music to collecting stamps, a recent investigation by members of the journalism class of Washington high school revealed.

Members of the class, taught by Miss Elizabeth Cook, interviewed some of the students about their hobbies, and the class assignments. They obtained the following accounts:

In Pioneer Radio Fan. Clark Chandler is a relentless radio fan. He was one of the first boys in Cedar Rapids to choose radio as his hobby, having been interested in it since 1920. He has a powerful receiving and transmitting set which he has assembled himself. He is able to send and receive from all parts of the United States.

In George Zbanek, Washington high has a musician of whom to be proud. Five years ago, he was a teacher in the music department of the school, gave George twelve lessons on the alto trombone. He was then a pupil at Jackson school, but he joined the Washington high school band.

The average person can perhaps name and locate twenty-five countries without referring to a geography. A stamp collector must be familiar with 800 countries, including those as obscure as Malta, Soudan and the Caroline Islands.

Moreover, Herbert has an extensive collection of stamps, of various sizes of perforations, colors of paper and its watermarks, the sizes and designs of the stamps, and other details not ordinarily noted about a common everyday postage stamp.

With these features to recommend it, stamp collecting, Herbert believes, should prove an interesting hobby for girls as well as for boys.

recently obtained five new members for her class, Mildred has been appointed an assistant teacher in the Sunday school.

For the fourth consecutive week all of the rooms of the junior high school were one hundred per cent in banking last Tuesday. The following intermediate and primary rooms were also one hundred per cent: Miss Hazel Davis' five-A and B room, Miss Lena Kerr's four-A and five-B room, Miss Myrtle Berg's four-B room, Miss Hazel Elmquist's three-A room, Miss Lois Vasey's three-B room, Miss Frankie Gratt's two-A room, Miss Janice Sanderson's two-B room, Miss Carlotta Stout's one-A room, and Miss Dana Hansen's one-B room.

M'KINLEY CAFETERIA ART WORK SOON DONE

In an atmosphere of fairy castles, snow-capped mountains and islands bright with flowers and palm trees, the pupils of McKinley Junior high school will eat their noonday lunches hereafter.

The work of decorating the cafeteria catch has been done by students of the school under direction of Grant Wood, is almost completed. The keynote of the decorative scheme is formed by the frieze, "Imagination Isles," every foot of which was designed and painted by the boys, with Mr. Wood's assistance.

About 100 boys, members of the ninth grade art classes, with some who have now passed to Washington high, will be represented in the completed work. A small panel will bear the name of each boy on the section of the frieze which he has made.

The entire room has been painted and decorated in soft neutral tones to afford a proper background for the frieze. Curtains of orange crepe are being made by the girls of Miss Leonora Beggs' sewing classes and will hang at the windows. Lanterns and other decorative objects are being made and painted by the boys, in keeping with the panel, and will be placed on the electric lights, the central ones being arranged in groups so that they may be lit down over the tables where the banquets are served. Cream colored molding will outline the frieze.

The work will be completed in about ten days, it is expected.

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