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Life of Mark Twain

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"Say Jud, you remember that there auther fella, name's Clemens? They just called him Mark Twain, don't know why; that means water is two fathoms deep. No connection as I can see. Funny name. Well, I jus' run across a story of his life, like to hear it? Says he was born in Florida, Missouri in 1835 and met his end in Hartford, Connecticut in 1910. Only lived to be seventy-five. Short life don't you think? Was quite a jack-of-all-trades too it 'peers. He didn't stick to one thing long. Had very little education, was a printer's apprentice and secretary to his brother. Couldn't get Mississippi out of his blood though, poor fella, so became pilot of a river-boat. Also says he had a slight success with gold diggin's and then returned to San Francisco as a journalist, "somethin' to do with newspapers I guess." Did a great deal of travelin' in Europe then returned here as editor for a paper in Buffalo. "That didn't last long either." Soon after he took the fatal step and got himself a wife and settled in Hartford." He received the honorary degree of litt. D. from Oxford too.

Says his humor is characteristically 'merican and he often wrote against good taste, "taste of what I wonder," and was irrecerant and flippant at the wrong times and places. Pretty odd fella, don't ya' think? Tells here no other author so vividly portrayed the 'merican boy or gave his readers so adequate an impression of the large lonely life led by native 'mericans in the great Mississippi Valley as this Twain fella did in Huckleberry Finn or Tom Sawyer. "What's them Jud, somethin' about berries? I thought he wrote about that there Mississippi River. Oh well, guess they know what their talkin' 'bout." By gosh it sure gives a long list of names here, must be places he's been or somethin'. Oh! no, guess these books he wrote. Here's one "Life on the Mississippi" and "The Celebrated Jumping Frog." Betcha you'd like them, Jud. Ya oughta read them instead of all the trash you read. He wrote lots of other books too. Too bad he had to die but he probably felt like it after all that work. Famous fella. Well, Jud, that's all it says here 'bout him."

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GRADE NEWS

Miss Jordan's fifth grade have just finished a unit in Social Studies covering the Revolutionary War and the Constitution. Their stamp sales total $149.60.

Miss Baker's fourth grade held an election of officers for their Good Citizen Club. Those victorious were: Roger Theetge, president; Norma Payne, vice president; Mary Ann Joyce, secretary and Mary Jane Sackett, treasurer. They have started a science museum and also an Indian village in connection with their Social Studies.

Mrs. Schwarzenbach's sixth grade held a program in English on the life of George Washington.

Mrs. Hall's first grade have started a movie on Little Black Sambo and are now drawing the pictures. They have been having a health contest since so many have been absent.

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Teacher: "Can anybody give me a definition of a duck?"

Jimmy: "Why, it's a chicken with snowshoes."

Sponsor Second Skating Party

The Hi Herald skating party certainly went off with a bang last Thursday night. There was a large crowd and they all seemed to enjoy themselves.

We wish to thank Mrs. Ralph Temple and Mrs. Charles Lynch for chaperoning, as all the teachers were going home for the long week-end and we also want to apologize for crowding them off the bus.

It seems several members of the staff went over the limit of asking just one friend. Thanks to the Backus Ford, our chaperones got a way home.

There were the usual bumps and falls. Rita Goodridge fell over someone, only to look back and see that her good friend Margaret Jackson, had purposely sat on the floor a few minutes previous to trip her.

Carlton Ordway and Gloria Ellis seemed to enjoy themselves and Essie Temple and Jim Backus cooperated nicely too. George Phillipson took a sudden turn for Marjory Collins while Pat Temple enjoyed herself with a neat brunette Wellsville resident.

Mary Alice Horan's elbows really get around. Goodness, I wouldn't want to meet her in the dark.

Jeanne Stevens and Jo Ann Theetge not only skated a lot together, but found some nice male partners.

Pat Ludden and Lois Matison really waltz nicely, don't they? Keep it up, girls!

Gerry Lynch also rode down in a private car. He's not a bad skater and has no trouble "Stan"-ding up, does he, Gerry? We didn't see Mary E. Driscoll down once, so I guess she's broken Vic Clark's record.

The thermometer recorded two below zero when the rink closed and we sincerely hope no one catches one of those horrible clinging colds that are so prevalent when they come out from that warm exercising.

All school skating parties seem to have been enjoyed immensely and attended by good crowds, so here's hoping we may have more such gatherings. Ed.

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Sophomore Gives Dancing Lessons

A dancing class has been started in ACS where the instructor is Jerry Lynch. The object of these lessons is to provide helpful dancing instruction and practice for students who would like to dance in the minstrel show and spring concert. The lessons are given once a week to each class in the corrective exercise room.

The following people now receive regular instruction:

Monday, Fifth Period—Joyce Fuller, Patricia Baker, Kay Mickle, Jackie Vickers, Ann Harvey, Janet Lang, Sandra Bostwick, Jackie Baker.

Wednesday, Noon Hour—Mary Teresa McAndrew, Harry Stadelman, Dennis Joyce, Richard Baker, James Harvey, Carol Goodridge, Virginia Wilson.

Wednesday, Fifth Period — Robert Grossman, Laura Jean Grossman, Jean Daley, Jimmy Riffle, Lucille Smith, Joan Clark, Gerald Clark, Nancy Hulin, Lorraine Cornish.

Wednesday, Eighth Period — Lee Handcock, Norma Freeland, Sylvia Lusk, Ronald Glover, Dale Ordway, Richard Foster, Carol Brown.

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"And what lesson do we learn from the busy bee, children?"

"Not to get stung."

CHIT-CHAT

The news is really slow in coming this week, so we haven't much for you. What we really need is someone to create a little excitement.

Well, Barb Childs was happy Monday. She received three letters from Duff in the morning! Some faithful fellow.

Earl Gross is still dizzy headed over his blonde friend in Wellsville. She is cute, and we don't blame him at all.

We noticed a queer incident at the rink last Thursday night. Carlton Ordway skated the moonlight skate with his girl friend's sister. What's going on around here?

Joe Yannie really gets the hard knocks. While playing basketball in Wellsville Sunday he broke his glasses (the second time this year) and he also had several stitches taken near one eye.

Jo Ann and Ray are still going strong. She averages two letters a day, a telephone call almost every night, and several dates a week. Boy, can you beat that?

Genevieve Green had a nice week-end, we notice. Pete is another of these really swell fellows, and if you don't believe us, just ask Genevieve. LPJ-AMT

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Movies Shown

The girls of all the homemaking classes enjoyed a movie on "Good Grooming." The girls of the health classes also enjoyed this movie. It showed the importance of good grooming, cleanliness and personal health habits that we all should have or acquire.

The 7th, 8th and 9th grade science classes saw an interesting movie on "Trees for Tomorrow." This showed the importance of production of trees, reforestation and the need for conserving our natural resources.

A movie, "For a Better Life," was shown to all the homemaking classes. This showed the importance and the big part that electricity is playing on all our American farms. JL

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BUY A VICTORY BOND!

Students and Songs

Love Letters—Esther Grover.

Somebody Loves Me — Vic Clark.

Temptation—To skip school on Monday morning.

Let It Snow—Who can do anything about it?

Hubba-Hubba-Hubba — Mareta Perry.

Ya Ta Ta—Pat Joyce.

A Stranger In My Own Home Town—Jo Ann Theetge.

Playmates—Jim Backus and Essie Temple.

Night and Day—Homework.

My Baby Said Yes (or did she) —Jim Smith.

Personality—Frannie Green.

Slowly—Bob Jackson.

I Can't Begin to Tell You—Pat Ludden.

I Cried for You—Helen Yannie

I'm Always Chasing Rainbows —Doris W.

It Had to Be You—Genevieve Green.

What Do You Want to Make Those Eyes at Me For?—Dick Wheaton to Helen Yannie.

Dolores—who else but Delores Snyder?

The Last Time I Saw You—Barb Childs.

Jose Gonzales—Don Baker.

You Came Along—George P. to Madge Collins.

He's My Guy—Pat Temple to guess who?

No Can Do—Jerry Lynch.

Aren't You Glad You're You—Janice Walton. RS-DW

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Faculty News

Miss Sherwood — spent the week-end in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Miss Spino—spent the week-end at her home in Olean.

Miss Hall—spent the week-end at her home in Perry and did not return until Monday noon. Mrs. Connor substituted in her place.

Mrs. Schwarzenbach—went to Canandaigua.

Miss Jordan — went to her home in Friendship.

Miss Elliott—spent the week-end at her home in Brockport. JB

The Right Spirit

Black

Senior Interview

The senior interviewed this week was Janice Walton born in Rochester, New York, March 19, 1929. Some of her favorites are: food: rice pudding, the kind her mother makes. Color, blue; subject, Latin; Book, "The Robe"; Author, Honre Morrow. She has no pet peeves whotsoever.

She hopes to become a librarian. We know she will be a great success and wish her the best of luck.

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Freshman Frolics

We see Evelyn Glover has a new pin which "Dewey" sent her through the mail. It's nice Evelyn.

We hear quite a few reports from the skating rink Thursday night. How are your bruises, kids

Ruth Halsey, where were you Friday night? You weren't at the dance.

What happened to John Connor and Reta Goodridge during the Kentucky Reel down at the rink Thursday night.

Who was Mary Ellen's Visitor Friday night?

Who was Joan Joyce's soldier at the rink Friday night? Wasn't his name Roger, Joan? ?

What Hornell girl did Teddy O'Dell meet at the dance Friday? Who is she Teddy?

We see Betty O'Dell was out to the show Sunday night with Pat Lynch—two timing on Charlie, Betty.

If Joan Woodruff cuts any more of her hair off she is going to be bald. You could join the circus then, Joan.

Who was the good looking soldier that knocked Mary Alice Horan down Thursday night at the rink.

Margaret Jackson seems to have a very sore finger. Somebody bite you, "Maggie?"

Wayne Sherwood and Betty O'Dell seem to find a lot to talk and laugh about in General Science class, second period. Just old friends, kids. MH-MJ

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Limerick

A Jap-hating pilot named Jake
Named his plane the Flying Beef-stake,
When asked why, he'd reply,
"Well, meat is sky-high,
And well done are the missions we make."

Teacher: "Spell weather, John, please."

John: "W-e-t-t-h-e-r."

Teacher: "Well, that is certainly the worst spell of weather we've had for a long time."

"You should have seen the fish I caught last week. It was so big that it pulled me into the river with it."

"Did you get a good dunking?"

"No, I was lucky. Landed right on top of the thing."

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Friction from a steel cable passing around a dry stump started a forest fire in Oregon's Wilson River area in 1933 which destroyed more than 260,000 acres of the finest virgin timber valued above $20,000,000.

The busy bee lived up to its reputation in 1945, for production of honey ran over 11-million pounds in the state. This put New York in sixth place among honey-producing states.

Teacher — "Tommy, name five things that contain milk."

Tommy — "Butter 'n' cheese 'n' ice cream—'n' two cows."