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BAND TO PLAY FOR P.T.A.



On Thursday, April 14, the chairman of the Highland Park P.T.A. will call the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. The main speaker of the meeting will be Noble Prentice, who will speak about future plans for Highland Park.

The Highland Park band will play several selections for the parents at the meeting. Jo Faith Hutton will play a flute solo "Steal Away to Jesus". The first and second chair players will be featured in a number called "Easy Steps March". The band will also play "America" and "Lightly Run".

NEXT!!

Next! is what the School nurse, Mrs. Ruby Saunders, will be calling out on April 21 and 22 to the first and second graders. They are the children who are going to get polio vaccine shots. They will be protected for life.



SPRING IN THE WOODS

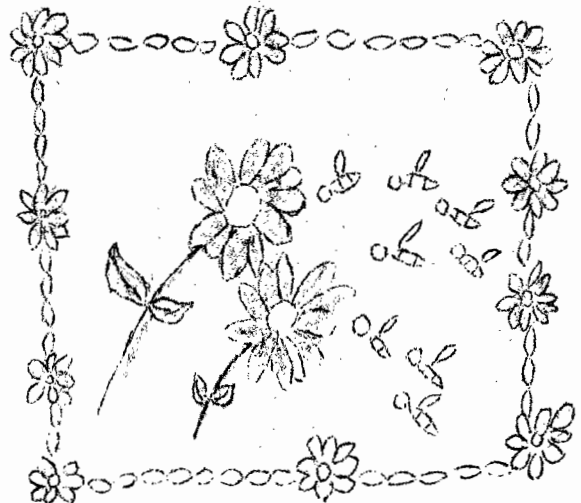
Have you ever seen the woods in Spring? There all day the birds will sing. All day the Teddy bears will play. "They're crazy", the hoot owl would say.

Deep in the cave the bear will stay, Away from the sunlight of the day. Soon the coons and squirrels will come and busy bees will start to hum.

The trout will be swimming in the brook, and MAN! would they taste good to cook! The old black crows up in the trees are picking trouble with the bees.

Children come from here and there and all at once they're everywhere. They skip and jump and have lots of fun,, but when the animals come close, they run and run.

by Jimmy Wilson



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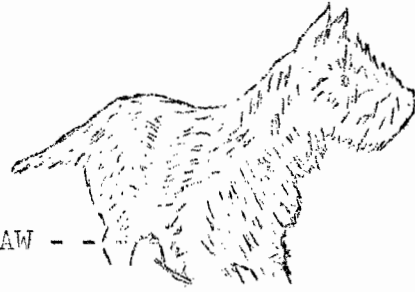
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MAGIC

You know the old saying, "Now you see it. Now you don't!". That's true. When Torrini and Phyllis gave their magic show, there were two live white pigeons flying around. Torrini put them into a box. When he took the box apart, the pigeons had disappeared.



"Oh, wadsome power the gift'ie gie us
 To see ourselves as ithers see us."



PIPER SAW - - -

...Mark Smith helping Mr. Wolfe with after-school chores.
Clark Embry for helping a little boy who dropped his lunch kit on the bus.
You thoughtful friends who send cards and telephone your classmates who have to miss school because of the mumps.
You hard-working boys and girls who are helping make our school more beautiful by planting flowers.

SPRING FLOWERS

Spring flowers
 Look like beautiful towers.
 Bluebonnets and daisies,
 Gathered in masses.
 Daffodils make
 Funny-looking hills.
 Roses are dressed
 In their very best.
 And butterflies go here and there,
 As if they didn't have a care.

by Bobby Giddings

LUNCH ROOM

We are all very grateful for having the cooks in the cafeteria. If it were not for them, we would have to bring our own lunches. Here is a list of the women that work in the kitchen:

Mrs. Henderson - Manager
 Novel Lee Clark and Georgia Smith - Meat Cooks
 Ella Mac Martin and Ellen Johnson - Dessert Cooks
 Velma Coulter and Lucille Urdy - Vegetable Cooks

ANIMALS, ANEMOMETERS, AFRICA

A stuffed deer head was brought by Ed Small during the study of animals in Mrs. Roberts' fourth grade. Besides Joe Hull's turtle shell, they have a crawfish and a collection of caterpillars. They are having a contest drawing Easter rabbits. Hobbies in the room are collections of rocks, stamps, coins, and ships.

The children of Miss Zaat's room are studying mountainous countries. They are making a booklet about the Scandinavian countries. They found it hard to study the little maps of Switzerland, so Jeane Hofman's father, Professor Hofman, brought two wall-sized maps. One was of Switzerland alone and the other was of all the Scandinavian countries.



A collection of snakes, including a coral snake, a ribbon snake, a grass snake, and a garter snake, is in Mrs. Newberry's room. The snakes are stuffed but they have some live fish in the room. They are studying about wild life.

Mr. Leavitt's room has many interesting exhibits. The children have been working hard to prepare their exhibits. The "Wagon Trains" exhibit staff includes Harold Broadbent, Daman Cockman, John Pojman, Ogden Baur. A "Small Weather Station" exhibit consists of thermometer, rain gauge, anemometer, barometer, hygrometer, cloud charts, weather maps, weather symbols, and a wind sock. The weathermen were Henry Currington, Buddy Alford, Eddie Barnes, Harold Broadbent, Bill Pool, Ogden Baur, John Pojman, John Moore, and Sammy Demuth. Bill Pool made an exhibit about Indians. Harold Broadbent arranged a small airport and a small horse exhibit. An exhibit about birds was made by Sammy Demuth.

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Miss Remschil, the practice teacher in Mrs. Preston's room had made an interesting arithmetic game for the room. The children enjoy playing the game, which is called "Stop the Clock". Eggshell characters and an old-fashioned "Egg Tree", are being made during art. They have an interesting collection of cotton materials on their bulletin boards, which they made as a part of their study of clothing.

The children of Mrs. Sayer's room have been writing a newspaper, "The Rattler Review", for practice leading toward this Highlander. Each week a new staff got all the news about the room. The class enjoyed working on "The Rattler Review" because it was worked like a real newspaper. Miss Holbrook took Vicki Lyman to the teachers' convention to share our paper with the teachers.

Kathleen Otto went on the radio program, "Search for Talent", on March 26, telling a story. On April 2, a quartet of choral readers, Ann Walters, Charles Green, Gail Gross, and Mike Putman, appeared on the same program (at 9:30 Saturdays, KTBC) giving a reading of "The Robinson Crusoe Story", a poem by Charles Carryl. Ann Matthys and Ginger Benson were finalists in the first 6-weeks' contest and told their stories a second time in the run-off. Ann won this contest too, so she told a new story on the program April 2.

Mr. Koch's room is studying Australia and New Zealand. Their art work has something to do with their studies. They are drawing strange animals and plants of Australia and New Zealand.

Some of their hobbies are collecting stamps, rocks, coins, matchbooks, butterflies, maps, marbles, postcards, and seashells.

Mrs. Wiseman's sixth grade is studying Africa. The title of their study is "Africa Awakens". They have done a mural on the tribes, animals, and plants of Africa. They are also doing maps and have done the window at the library entrance.

It was sad to hear that Mrs. Wiseman has the mumps. We hope she will be back soon.

THE FARM ROOMS

Miss Traconi is a practice teacher for Mrs. Feuerbacher and Mrs. Carrol. This room is studying "The Farm". Some of the children have brought some strange animals, including a snake, a salamander, a parakeet, and a baby goat. They have a vegetable garden outside their windows. There is a "Word Pond" in the room. The children fish out words from the pond with fishing poles. When they hook a word they read it aloud.

Mrs. Barnhart, Miss Torn and Miss McClendon took their room to the Running Rope Ranch to give the pupils some ideas about what a farm looks like. They are studying the farm. One of their pupils, Gaye Hayes, brought a tractor that really plows to school. They are going to make a garden with the tractor. Another pupil, Mike McKetta, has some very interesting hobbies of collecting stamps, soap, and Indian relics.

Mrs. Bateman's and Miss Branom's second grade is studying "Community Helpers". The policeman helps us cross the street. The postman delivers letters. The fireman saves our houses from fires. In our school community Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe do many important jobs to keep us clean and comfortable so that we may learn as much as possible while we are in school.

On March 22 Mrs. Miller's and Miss Oswald's classes made bread. The teachers made dough, some of which had yeast and some had none. The children could tell the bread had yeast in it if it rose. But if the dough did not rise, it had no yeast. On Friday they had lots of fun, too. Both classes went to the Butter Krust Bakery. They had a good time seeing how the bread was made. When they came back, they made a movie of the bakery by drawing pictures and pasting them on a long sheet of paper. They also wrote stories about the thing they liked best in the bakery.

Spring arrived on March 21. The pupils of Mrs. Banksten's room strolled through the woods to observe different signs of Spring. This was done because they are studying the interesting season of Spring. When they returned from the stroll, they drew pictures about the Spring.

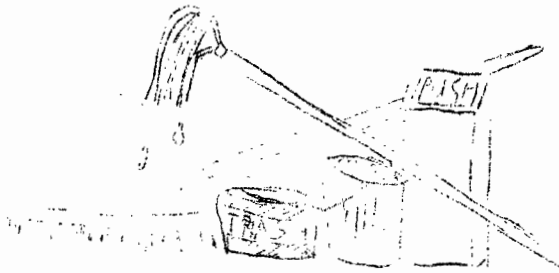


INDIANS ON THE LOOSE!

Mrs. Mang's room has been working on Indians. They all rounded up oatmeal boxes and made small Indian Drums. Besides that they made some headdresses. Danny Taylor brought a real tomahawk, used by the Cherokee Indians. They made small Indian Villages in cardboard boxes. Then they gave a play to their parents in little stages which they had made themselves. The class also wrote original "Indian Stories" and, after reading them to the class, they voted to see whose story was the best. A girl and a boy won. The girl was Yvon Reeder and the boy was Jerry Walton.

Indians are being studied in Mrs. Ball's third grade. They made a beautiful picture of Indian life which fit the bulletin board in their room. The picture was used as an example of children's work during District 10 Teachers' Convention. During their study of foods, they made an exciting chart about breakfast. With their colors they drew eggs and bacon at the bottom of paper plates. Some good plates were then put on the bulletin board. The class plans to take a trip to see how bread is made at the Butter Krust Bakery.

How do you get the egg out of the shell without breaking the shell? This question came up in Mrs. Greenwood's room. So to the rescue came Golda Hooton. She had made a lady's head out of an eggshell. She was willing to show the class how to make one. The class has also finished a unit on the cold countries and now are starting a study of the hot countries.



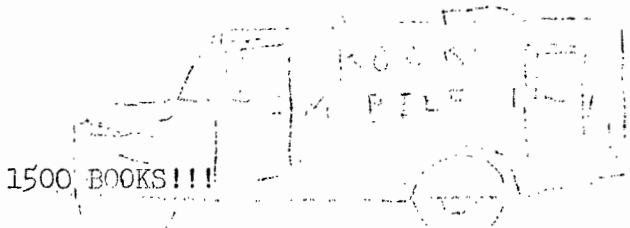
LET'S KEEP OUR BUILDING NICE!

Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe like being our custodians. They work about nine hours each day, five and one half or more days a week. Mrs. Wolfe said the children could help her by picking up pencils, crayolas, and closing the windows each day. We like to help her, Don't you?

THE MEANING OF EASTER

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, was tried and sentenced to death. He was turned over to the Jews and Pontius Pilate to be crucified and buried. On the third day the women came and saw the stone had been rolled away. Jesus had risen. "Now is Christ risen from the dead." 1 Corinthians, XV 20

We are going to have a vacation for Easter. Now we will have a short time to attend Good Friday church services and to enjoy Spring weather before we go back to school. All your little sisters and brothers will be excited and very ready for that wonderful day.



Mrs. Brown, assistant librarian of the bookmobile, and Mr. Palmer who drives it, were interviewed by Ronald Tite. Mrs. Brown said that they carry about 1500 books each time they leave the Public Library. They go to one hundred nine schools in all. They go to thirteen county schools, nineteen city schools, nineteen colored schools and sixty-five community centers.

MR. MATTHYS IS EVERYWHERE

Mr. Matthys really does get around. We've seen him inspecting the new building, sometimes from on top of the new roof which is being put down. Sometimes we've seen him showing someone how to level the ground with a shovel or talking to the builders about the progress of the work. He makes inspection tours of the work being done by the big tractors. We haven't seen him drive one yet, but we're watching.

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!

Each time we get a new shipment of books in our library, Miss Holbrook has a little contest. Every child in school is given a chance to guess how much the order cost.

The last contest was held in the middle of March. Allen Baker, a fifth grader in Mrs. Sayers' room, guessed within eight cents of the right amount which was \$275.95. Plossom Podolnick, a sixth-grader from Mrs. Wiseman's room came within thirty cents of the correct amount.

THANKS, MOTHERS AND DADDIES

At the last P.T.A. meeting our mothers and daddies voted to give the library \$200.00. We ordered books with the money. The order for these books has been mailed and Miss Holbrook expects them in ten days.

Last year the P.T.A. also gave us \$200.00. Thank you, Mothers and Daddies, for your generosity.

DISPLAY CASE

Charles McKetta and David Robertson decorated the glass show case with models of the White House and the Presidents of the United States. The background, a full sized reproduction of the Declaration of Independence, looks just like the original, even to the antique finish on the imitation parchment paper.



WHEN SPRING IS COMING



Have you found a sign of spring
A Robin, a flower, or anything?
Just take a walk you're sure to meet
A sign of spring along the street.

Farmers already are planting their seeds,
Watching them grow and fighting the weeds,
Flowers are shooting from the ground;
Grass is spreading all around.

Buds are bursting on every tree.
Hear the hum of the bumble-bee?
In light clothes children run out to play,
While winter coats are put away.

By Pamla Raymond

A LITTLE BUTTERFLY

Once I saw a butterfly
It was cute as cute can be.
Then that little butterfly came
Flying round to me.

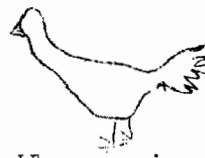
He was blue and white
And very light.

I chased him in the house
Just like a little mouse.
He got very red and flew upon my bed.

Then, "Snap", I got him!
He felt very slim.
I put him in a can with a little grass and
sand.

But a butterfly must be free
To fly from tree to tree,
So now my little butterfly
Will have to go away, away, away.
And now my little butterfly
Shall never, never stay.

by Emily Tracy



SPRING, TO ME



When spring brings beautiful things to see
I know my Heavenly Father has made them
just for me.

The wonderful rains, and sprinkles and
showers.

Soon will bring our friends, the flowers.
The dogs chase cats and love to bark,
And it's nice outside after it's dark.
The little leaves appear on our tree.
That's what spring means to me.

by Barbara Monroe

NONSENSE

Take a trip through the stars,
On your way to Mars.
Go with a boom,
To the moon.
Walk with a running pace,
As you travel through space.
Put stars in your eyes,
As you go through the skies.
And take along,
A couple of guys.

by Bobby Gidding

THE LITTLE HERMIT

There was a little hermit,
Who lived out in the woods,
Who loved to eat all kinds and kinds of
canned goods.
He used to sit out by the trees
And eat and eat his English peas.
And when he goes to bed at night,
He buffs his nails with all his might.

by Ginger Benson

CINDERELLA! CINDERELLA!

The three-act play, "Cinderella", given by the Junior League of Austin, was a smash hit. Cinderella was great. She gave feeling to the play more than anybody else. The play was held on Friday, March 25, in the cafetorium.

The Prince and Cinderella danced to the music, "Two Hearts in Three-quarter Time". The Prince danced with the Sisters to "Suite No. 3." During intermission, "Waltz Dream", and "March of the Toys", kept the audience in the mood of the play.

Those cast in the play were:

Cinderella	Mrs. D.N. Rickert
Step-Mother	Mrs. C. Meriwether
First Sister	Mrs. T.Z. Fisher
Second Sister	Mrs. J.H. Miller
Prince	Mrs. T.C. Womack
Fairy Godmother	Mrs. Anna Caswell
Chamberlain	Mrs. Howard Cox
Costumes	Mrs. Charles Khunipp
Costume Director	Mrs. Jake Avis

The scenery was provided by the City Recreation Department and was painted by Mrs. Patty Rutherford. The Junior League presents the play in all the schools in Austin. They have already given 52 performances.

PAPERS, PAPERS, PAPERS

There's paper everywhere. Here are the number of pounds of paper that each room has brought in for the last paper drive:

Miss Oswald	123
Mrs. Bankston	62
Mrs. Bell	2
Miss Branom, Mrs. Bateman	319
Miss Torn	51
Miss McClendon	131
Mrs. Carroll and	
Mrs. Feuerbacher	230
Mr. Koch	780
Mr. Leavitt	1132
Mrs. Sayers	252
Mrs. Newberry	110
Mrs. Mang	408
Mrs. Preston	175
Mrs. Wiseman	344
Mrs. Miller	122
Mrs. Roberts	77
Mrs. Greenwood	126
Miss Zaat	186

PUPPET SHOW

On March 30 we were pleased to have the Texas State Health Department, Dental Division, bring us their puppet play about how to care for our teeth.

This show has been given for the schools of Texas for five years, but it seemed bright and new to us.

The puppets were named Jane, Betsy, the Nurse, Jack, Billy, Rusty, Doctor Carson, and Gramps. There was also a puppet Hereford calf and a square dance orchestra. All the puppets and scenery were of papier mache. The voices were played by Mr. and Mrs. Sargent.

IF YOU LOST IT, CLAIM IT!

At the office, we have many things which have been lost. Mrs. Howard would appreciate it if we would come in. Look the lost items over and claim your own things. Please do not claim anything that does not belong to you.

COURTESY IS THE KINDEST WAY OF DOING THINGS

If it were not for the buses, some of us would have to walk a long way home. Let's watch our manners on the bus. Some of the following rules will help us to remember:

1. If there is a seat on the bus, sit down.
2. Talk quietly; don't shout.
3. Don't hang on the bars.
4. Respect the property of others.
5. Don't fight.
6. Don't stand on the seats.

Let's watch our manners in the lunchroom, too. If we use low voices in the lunchroom, it will be quieter. Also, remember to stop talking and bow your head even when other tables are asking a blessing.

ANTIDOTE FOR SPRING FEVER

The best way to get rid of work is to do it.

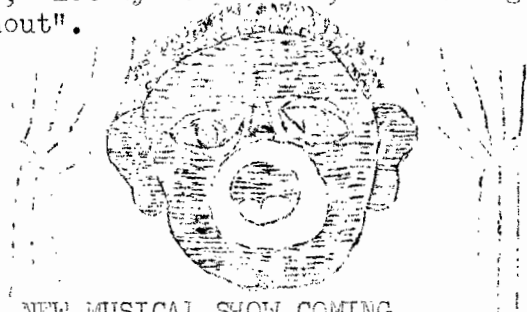
MUSIC AND CONCERTS

Were you one of the twenty-five children who went to all four concerts? There were forty children who went to three concerts and eighty who went to one or two. Those who did go enjoyed it very much.

OUR MINSTREL SHOW

Mrs. White worked very hard on the Negro spirituals for the last P.T.A. The three fifth grades taught by Mr. Leavitt, Mrs. Preston, and Mrs. Sayers, took part in the show. The actors who spoke were: Ginger Fenson, Peggy Lyda, Allen Christenson, Sandy Pinkston, Wayne Williams, Jimmy Williams, Mitchell Huber, Bobby Giddings, Edward Lyon, Jerry Taylor, Mike Stafford, and Mayrene Howson.

Songs included in the minstrel were: "That's Why Darkies Were Born", "Lonesome Valley", "Mary and Martha", "Dry Bones", "Lord, I want to be a Christian", "Swing Low Sweet Chariot", "Roll Jordan, Roll", "Let My People Go", and "Going to Shout".



NEW MUSICAL SHOW COMING

Every year in the Spring the sixth graders give an operetta. This year the sixth grade is working hard with Mrs. White on "The Cowboy Who Couldn't Sing". The operetta will be presented to the P.T.A. on May 12.

FAMOUS COMPOSERS

The girls of the fifth grade divided into small groups giving reports on famous composers. Every Tuesday a report is given during their music period. Both the girls and the boys are learning to sing "Stodla Pumpa", and "The Tootin' Turk". The boys are also learning "Drill, Ye Terriers, Drill".

QUIT PUSHING!
YEA! NEW ROOMS!

The four new rooms being added to Highland Park School are being built by the F & D Construction Company. The Fourth and Fifth grades will be happy in the new rooms next year. These rooms will help eliminate the double classroom sessions. The builders expect to have finished the rooms by the end of the semester.

Other plans to relieve our crowded conditions at Highland Park are to send the three sixth grade sections and one fifth grade section, made up of pupils living in Allandale, to the new Lamar Junior High School."

WE ARE GROWING

Highland Park School really is growing. Have you ever stopped to think about how more and more people keep coming to this school?

In 1952, when Highland Park school had just opened, there were only 319 children enrolled. But, little by little, we kept getting larger, till at the end of the term we had 344 children in this school. The next fall, in 1953, we had a total of 486 pupils.

As in the year before, we grew and grew until we had 507 pupils when school let out for the summer. Then, in the fall of 1954, we really had the students! (613 to be exact) Now we have 651 people. Next year we will not have enough rooms to hold them all. That is why some children will have to go to another school.

OUR SAFETY PATROL HELPS

The Safety Patrol has to be able to help other people at all times at school. They help protect children from traffic. The patrolman is an example for other people to follow.

The best patrolmen are the fourth graders, according to the captain of the Safety Patrol.

Bernsey Linder and Jerry Head are Captains; Ronald Tobin and Jimmy Fitzgerald are lieutenants.