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SENIORS START PLAY PRACTICE

"CLARENCE" is the name of the three act comedy drama that the senior class play cast started on last Monday in preparation to give it on the evenings of May 13 and 14. Miss Maude Clifton is coaching the group. From the twenty eight members of the class, ten characters have been tentatively decided upon by means of a secret ballot from the high school faculty.

The play according to Miss Clifton is a rather difficult one for high school students, but with its great amount of action and humor together with a well worked out plot, should be one of the strongest plays ever staged by Edgewood seniors.

Plan Vaudeville Stunts

Between acts, the seniors will put on a number of vaudeville stunts under the direction of Miss Thelma Hansen. From her work in the carnival and operetta, the members of the graduating class look forward to a carnival of fun to intersperce the three acts of the comedy.

The orchestra will furnish music for the occasion.

A two night presentation was decided upon because of the fact that last year a large number of people had to stand while seeing it, while others missed out altogether.

TO CHOOSE 1928 STAFF

The staff of the Woodland Echoes for the year 1927-1928 will be chosen by the faculty before the appearance of the May 2 issue.

Following the method already in use, each teacher on the faculty will be given a ballot and will list those whom she or he feels is best fitted for the particular places on the journalistic staff. The plan has been adopted in order that future workers on the paper may get experience in helping issue the two remaining numbers of the paper.

CALENDAR

April 11, ~~Grade Operetta~~
April 19, Junior High Declam.
April 22, Earlville here.
April 22, Arbor Day Program.
April 29, Junior-Senior Banquet.
May 3, Orchestra-Glee Club Concert.
May 6, Flag and Exhibit Day.
May 13-14, Senior Class Play.
May 15, Baccalaureate Sermon.
May 17-18, Examinations.
May 19, Commencement.
May 20, Cards out.
May 20, Earlville there.

SENIORS MAKE FINAL PLANS

Senior plans, politics, and commencment excitement have held sway in the councils of the class of 1927 during recent weeks. What to wear, what colors to have, what invitations to send, how to best stage the senior class play, have been some of the problems confronting the more or less dignified seniors.

CHOOSE MOTTO AND COLORS

A committe headed by Francis Wooldridge and having as other members Vesta Nading, Iota Miller, Frances Barr and Robert Minkler submitted three mottoes for the class consideration, "Tonight we launch; where shall we anchor?" was the one selected. "Finished, yet beginning" and "Out of the harbor; out on the deep" were the other two.

Considerable hesitation was shown in regard to the class colors. Rose and Old Gold were first decided upon with the idea of continuing colors formerly used by the class. When some of the home economics girls held up their hands in horror, saying, "We could only serve carrots and beats at the banquet", the upper classmen returned to their councils, appointed a committee consisting of Aurelia Funk, chairman, Kathryne Lucey, Gertrude Ashline, and Harold Beatty, and followed its reccommendation in deciding upon Silver Gray and Old Rose.

EDGEWOOD ENDS GOOD SEASON

When Cresco defeated Edgewood in its second game at the district tournament of the state high school athletic association at Vinton, the Orange and Black suffered the first reverse in fourteen consecutive starts. Conceded at half time an excellent chance to defeat the northern Iowa opponent, Edgewood, worn through its work at the county and sectional tournaments where it came out champions, was overwhelmed in the last half by a fresh string of substitutes and lost the game 36 to 23.

Defeat Lamont

In the preliminary at Vinton, Edgewood decisively routed the strong Lamont quintet by a score of 30 to 21. Victory was more than a victory. The Lamont cagers had previously beaten the Orange and Black twice. Not only did Lamont win the class A divisian of the Oelwein tournament, but had defeated practically all the teams in this part of Iowa. By the defeat of Lamont, Edgewood placed herself among the best teams of Iowa Edgewood was one of the few teams to win a contest in the district tournament.

Outpoint Opponents

During the season, Edgewood won fourteen games and lost eight making its average 633 for the year. In the games Edgewood pilled up 611 points to the opponents 505, or an average of 27.75 a game to the other teams' 22.98.

Howard Stalnaker was high point man with 214, made up of 93 field baskets and 28 free throws. Bradley Stone came next with 160 points resulting from 65 field and 30 foul tosses. Ted Robinson was third with 85, Max Reusch fourth with 65. Point ranking in order of other players was Gayle Peick, Lynn Todd Raemond Ash, Harold Beatty, John Gates, Howard Scovel.

In the free throw department, Max Reusch ranked first on accuracy making 9 out of 16 attempts or 57 per

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A WINTER SUNSET

(By Lorraine Coolidge)

The snow is rose above us
And shadows blue below,
The pines are topped as golden
While the sunset clouds go
Like heaven's precious banners.
A crimson veil is thrown
O,er the sunbeams scarlet flooding
And the sun hangs low alone.

The eastern moon is riding,
The shadows longer lie
The great pine tops are swaying
As the evening wind flits by.
The snow is crisp and dulling
While the sun's great blood-red arc
Dips down behind the mountains
And the world is steeped in dark.

GIVE FEW SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Social life during recent days has been at rather low ebb so far as the high school classes are concerned, athletics having absorbed much of the energy of the pupils during the winter months. However, a few functions materialized. while others were planned and may be given in the future.

The sophomores and juniors held a joint after-school party in which they romped all over the gymnasium in their fun and ended up things by making a clean sweep of a bountiful supply of refreshments.

Senior-class spirits ran high on the evening of March 30 when frolic was held in the gymnasium. A dozen seniors, Miss Clifton, the sponsor, and Supt. and Mrs. Gardner were present. The evening was spent playing various games among which indoor baseball, bottle snatching and bean carrying were featured in a program planned and ably conducted by John Ellis and Harlold Beatty. Refreshments were served.

Seniors and faculty members were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Ray Minkler Saturday evening at a 6:30 o'clock dinner where all were delighted with the fun, food and hospitality.

A mysterious Mike and Pat radio party was called off when many of the invited guests found themselves quarantined at home in bed with the mumps. Information from the Irishmen is to the effect that the party will yet be given.

CELEBRATE ARBOR DAY FRIDAY

Arbor Day will be observed Friday afternoon in the Edgewood schools in a program that will embrace numbers and activities from many departments of the institution.

Most of the numbers will be given before the whole school in the auditorium while plans call for finishing the program with tree planting. A faculty committee consisting of Mr. Cottrell, chairman, Miss Johnson and Miss Pope have made the plans and arrangements and will be in charge of the affair.

Five hard maple trees, furnished by Harold Appleton, will be planted in a group on the north side of the building.

The preliminary program follows.

Reading of the proclamation of the Govenor, Seventh Grade reading class
Eleanor Chapman

Origin and Meaning of Arbor Day,
High school Geography class,
Violet Ross

Arbor Day Exercise,
Primary room
Eight pupils

The Value of Trees to the Community and Nation,
Twelfth Grade Sociology class
Raemond Ash

Different Kinds of Woods and Their Uses,
Ninth Grade Manual Training class
Francis Wilson

Music,
Boys Glee Club

What the Trees teach Us
3rd and 4th Grades

National Park Reserves, Rangers, and Forest Reserves,
Biology Class
Earl Sterling

The Planting Song,
Junior High Girls'
Six Girls.

Method of Planting Trees,
Tenth Agriculture Class,
Harold Appleton

Song by the School

Planting of Trees and Shrubs,
Tenth Agriculture Class,
Ted Robinson, Chairman.

President Gates of Gates Business college, Waterloo, talked before the high school assembly two weeks ago The students applauded his short lecture roundly.

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Home Makers Corner

Home Ec. Club Meets Thursday

"Etiquette for High School Girls" is the subject for discussion at the next meeting of the Home Economics club which will be held in the sewing room Thursday.

Plans will be made for a home economics picnic to which prospective new members will be invited.

PROGRAM

Club Songs.
Talk on School Room Etiquette
Violet Ingles
Conventions of Society
Marion Minkler
Dinning Room Etiquette
Helen Smith
General Discussion
Club Members

At the meeting, the question will come up as to wether or not the eighth grade girls who will take home economics work next fall should be asked to join the club before the end of the year and initiated into the organization sometime in May. In case, the question should be decided affirmatively, the girls will organize for next year, electing new officers. Some of the members have said that they believe the work would be easier to start next fall if this was done.

Start New Projects

Both the ninth and tenth home economics classes are starting upon new class and individual projects.

The ninth grade plans to decorate and make new curtains for the old office which is now known as the rest room. Included in their plans is papering and possibly the refinishing of the woodwork. Miss Wigdahl's plans call for their occupying part of their class periods at this work. At the same time a new unit of study will be started. It will include personal hygiene, child care, and home nursing.

The tenth grade girls have launched out on some individual projects. Marion Minkler, Aurelia Funk, Mary Todd and Grace Moser are among those who are planning to make hat boxes. The cardboard material has been sent for; the boxes will be tastily covered and lined.

Edna Flasher and Gertrude Borton have partially completed hand bags made of silk taffeta. Maxine Fisher, Dorothy Waldron and Edna Flasher are some of those who will attempt the making of hats. Other projects will include scrap books, collections of poems, and the like.

Progress on Home Work.

Some of the home economics pupils are working out garden projects which include both flower and vegetable gardens Laura Bushnel, Alice Fensterman and Evelyn Wooldridge are among those who may start work in lawn beautification.

Lucille McGuire has completed the papering of a bed room while Lucille Wooldridge is planning to start a similar project. Helen Hansen, as part of her home project work, has completed three dresses.

TO ISSUE SENIOR NUMBER

Members of the class of 1927 will be featured in the next issue of Woodland Echoes which will appear May 2. In addition to a group picture of the class, cuts of the girls' and boys' basketball teams will be shown.

Among the articles that are being prepared for the occasion will be the class will, history, prophecy, poem, log and possibly other special write-ups. A full description of Clarence the class play, will appear together with the cast. A stunt featuring all the members of both junior and senior high school will be one of the attractions of the number .

"Now, my little man," said Mr. Alcorn to Kenneth Arthur in his barber chair," how do you want your hair cut?"

"With a hole in the top, like dad's" was the reply.

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THE PRIVILEGED LIST.

Has the privileged list worked?

Last autumn the teachers were casting about to find some means whereby pupils could be given an opportunity to develop and use their own judgment in matters of conduct while in school. After various experiments the "privileged list" was decided upon as the best means to give worthy students an opportunity to carry on their activities within the assembly without continually consulting the faculty member in charge.

The list was made up at the end of the first six weeks bearing the names of scholars who had deportment above average that is, A or B. About half the name of those in the high school enrollment appeared on it. It was soon discovered that some of the pupils were not exercising proper judgment and a line appeared thru their names on the list. Since that time some have worked succesfully to get their names back an the list. Others have been added.

It can be fairly said that the innovation has been a success. Those enjoying the privileges have been better students than ever before. Many have improved their deportment standing to be able to enjoy the privileges. It has done away with much of the confusian formerly resulting from having to continually ask permission to do things that the average boy or girl ought to be able to do with discretion and without disturbing other pupils at work. Let the good work go on. Many more should have their names on the list next year.

GRADE OPERETTA SCORES HIT

"Uncle Sam's Tour", the grade operetta, was presented Monday eveening, April 8, to a crowded house after having been postponed from the previous Friday on account of rain and bad roads.

Uncle Sam, in the person of Hubert Appleton, accepted the invitation of The Old Woman Who Lives In a Shoe to visit the various peoples of the world. Accompanied by Miss Columbia, (Helen Robinson) his daughter, a group of American soldiers represented by Wayne Perry, Bernard Shaffer, Alfred Arthur, Cleo Seward Harland Bushnell, and Everett Bacon the journey was commenced. The boy messenger of the Old Woman (Francis Arthur) introduced the various national groups to Uncle Sam and the audience.

The various nations were presented in groups, the parts being chiefly by grade pupils augmented by a number from the junior and senior high schools.

Among the nations represented were:

Sweden ---------- Primary
Japan ---------- Primary girls
Holland ---------- 3rd grade
Russia ---------- 4th grade
Italy ---------- 5-6th girls
Scotland ---------- 5-6th girls
Spain ---------- Charles Chapman
Ireland ---- Eva Robinson, Delores Putz
American cowboys ----Primary boys
American Indian ---------- 5-6 boys
Southern girls ---------- 7-8th girls
Old Black Joe ------Geo. Hagensick
Southern negroes-------- 7-8-9 boys
American beauties ------ 7-8-9 girls
Modern dancer ------ Tommy Skally

The nations as they assembled and gave their part of the program were afterwards seated on bleachers at the back of the stage, giving color to the occasion. Bunting draped at various places on and about the stage gave it a patriotic air. The program ended with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by the whole cast.

The work was directed by Miss Thelma Hansen ably assisted by the grade teachers, the Misses Pope. Johnson and Farr. Pauline Peick accompanied on the piano.

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JUNIOR HIGHS STAGE DECLAM.

Junior High declimers will stage their annual contest in the high school auditorium on the evening of Tuesday, April 19 at 8:00 o'clock. Twelve boys and girls will strive to be the first to get their names engraved on the big, eighteen inch Greecian trophy cup purchased for the yearly contests. Winners in each class will be so honored.

The contest has been delayed on account of variou s members being out of school with the mumps. Those in charge believe that by the 19th all contagion will be over.

Those participating in the contest will be.

ORATORICAL

The American Boy's Heritage
Francis Arthur
Youth's Capital Investment
Kenneth Fairweather
Stack Arms ------ Howard Robbins

DRAMATIC

Mother Fingers ---- Eva Fairweather
Friend of the Family--Alberta Schultz
Bobby. Unwelcome -- Bernice Stone

HUMOROUS

What For? ---------- Marion Baker
How to Manage Parents
Lorraine Coolidge
Hannah Sprouts ----Ruth Lannholm
Over the Bannisters----Delores Putz
Aunt Elnora's Hero----Eva Robinson
A Case of Fits------Helen Robinson

Miss Ardis Swordes is coaching the contestants.

The Girls Glee Club will furnish the music.

TO HOLD FLAG DAY AND EXHIBIT

May 6 will be Flag Day at Edgewood when the school will stage a big outdoor program in which every pupil will have a part. A parade, raising a new flag, singing, pledging allegiance to the flag, recitations, and speeches, will make up part of an extensive program that has ben planned by a committee of which Miss Clifton is chairman and Miss Hansen and Miss Farr members.

During the same day, an exhibit will be held throughout the school in which the work of the various rooms and departments will be open to the public.

A baseball game here for that day is also being sought.

BOY SCOUTS ORGANIZE

With fourteen active members and numerous applications, a boy scout troup has been organized among the youths of the school and has been actively at work during the past month.

Scout Master L. B. Shaffer heads the organization with Fern Sharp and Dr. Newman acting as assistant scout masters.

Members of the organization to date are Hubert Appleton, Wayne Perry, Jerome Newman, Glen Wonleighton, Charles Chapman, Burdette Hansel, Howard Bishop, Howard Scovel, Howard Kramer, Howard Robbins, Gerald Logan, Alfred Arthur, Bernard Shaffer and Paul Beyers.

The national charter was received last week.

FOURTH GRADERS TURN POETIC

Members of Miss Johnson's fourth grade competed in a limerick contest recently in which Miss Farr, primary teacher was the judge. The following two poems by Fay Rossow and Bernard Ackman, respectively, were chosen as being among the best.

There was an old man a walking around
And of course he fell and broke his old crown
And then when he fell
He let out a yell
And then he found he was brown.

There was an old man who had an old cow
He was so mean he made her pull the plow
She pulled so hard
He found a can of lard
The cow thought it was pretty hard to plow.

GRADE NEWS

Mabel Funk of the sixth grade and Eugene of the first with their mother Mrs. C. A. Funk, left in a moving truck for Chicago, April 7. In writing to members of her class, Mabel said that they drove through without getting stuck by means of two caterpillar tractors which pulled them through mud hub deep. They arrived in Chicago at 8:30 that evening.

Mabel makes the eighth pupil the sixth grade has lost this year, the room starting with thirty pupils, rising to thirty-two, and is now down to twenty four.

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Tinkles from the Farms

BOARD MEMBER MILKS GOATS

Arthur Platt, new member of the board of education, father of Arthur Plattt Jr. of the second grade, has started a goat farm. At least he has made a beginning, according to the Woodland Echoes cub reporter. The flock originally consisted of two does and a kid. The kid recently was given away but the two mother goats remain. The object of the goats, the cub reports, is to furnish milk for Arthur Junior and his two small brothers, one of whom just recently arrived. The cub says his investigations show that goat milk is the most palatable of all animal milks because of the smallness of the fat globules in it.

According to Supt. Gardner, goat keeping is becoming a popular occupation and hobby near populous centers. He told the cub that his father at Ottumwa keeps three goats, one of which gives three quarts of milk a day. He also said that high milk yielding goats are very expensive, many of them selling for several hundred dollars. Goat milk is highly sought for baby food and in many places sells for twenty-five cents a quart.

AG. CLASS TESTS SEED CORN

Clyde Fisher hauled in seven bushels of his father's seed corn to be test by members of the tenth agriculture class to which he belongs. Working under difficulties and with improvised equipment in the manual training room the class tested 650 ears of the corn by the rag doll method and discarded the weak ears.

Doyle R. Cottrell, the instructor, reports that the corn, which was red, tested about 97 per cent, a high average. In addition, the boys tested corn picked by themselves last fall and found the test ran over 99 per cent. Mr. Cottrell says the corn all over the state is testing out very well much better than it did last year.

Mr. Gardner: "What is the law of gravity?"
John Rhines: "I don't know; they are making so many new laws nowadays".

PUPILS TO EXHIBIT OWN CROPS

Pupils who plant their own vegetable gardens this spring and raise crops on them will be allowed to enter their produce in a special class at the Harvest Exhibit to be held next fall at Carnival time.

Last year over 150 entries were made. In next autumn's exhibit indications are that many more things will be shown.

ALUMNI RECALL FOOTBALL DAYS

Football, now a dead sport at Edgewood, was the first game to be played by the school boys in competition with other schools according to alumni residing in and near town.

The game received its first impetus back in about 1900 and was in full swing when Prof. R. C. Areldson was superintendent--about 1902 and 1903. The team had some of the same contestants that modern day orange and black athletes compete against, among them being Lamont.

In 1902, Edgewood's "rough and tumble boys" went to Lamont with the determination to win, but after the ball was carried up and down the field and each team scored twice, the game ended with the score tied at ten points with Lamont tearing up the turf and spitting blood (as one alumus puts it) because they could not win.

The Edgewood team was composed in part of the following: (Positions are given where known) Lee Densmore; Fred Robinson; Ernie Ullman; half back; Otley Beyer; Ray Minkler, tackle; Fred Mellow; Worthy Robinson; Clair Whipple, quarter back, Blain Robbins, half back; Joe King, full back; and Dwight Newman.

Blanchard's Sweater Runs

When Lamont came to Edgewood to take vengeance, the weather man seemed to think he would join in the fun, for it began to rain, and as told by Dr. Newman, Charles Blanchard, wearing a red sweater became soaked with the rain, and dyed everything red, including the field, he came in

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START BASEBALL PRACTICE

With a squad of twenty candidates Coach Doyle R. Cottrell has started his men out with a vim to build up a formidable team for the season which will probably include six games and the county tournament. Earlville will be met next Friday on its own diamond.

Concerning the prospects of the team, Mr. Cottrell states that mumps and sickness have been holding the team back in practice although most of the players have returned and are now indulging in daily practice. Starting with a green team last fall, the boys were able to get some experience and win a third of their games. Most of the players will be back again this year, he says. Much depends upon how well the boys stand up under fire, he believes. He has set as his task the giving of the technical side of the game to the boys and seasoning them just as much as possible.

Have new equipment.

The team will be assisted considerably by new equipment purchased this year. A new mask, body protector and catcher's mitt together with the new bases made by the home economics girls last fall and a good supply of basesballs should equip the team to a point where it should function efficiently. The boys themselves have purchased their own bats and are planning to make speedy running and fielding possible by shodding themselves with baseball cleats.

School Will Root

Indications are that the school will back the team. A yell leader for the season will be appointed, the bleachers will be set up to afford safety and a good view of the game, and it is expected that the team will do the school and community good through its playing.

Two new indoor baseballs have afforded the boys practice in the gym during inclement weather.

Mr. Stone has been doing his part in draining and dragging the baseball diamond. He will have it in excellent shape for Friday.

The following are among the candidates for the team: Lou Arthur, Harold Appleton, Earl Sterling, Austin Weyant, Howard Scovel, John Rhines and Bradley Stone for field positions. Frank Weyant, Raemond Hochhaus, Ted Robinson, Gayle Peick, Clyde Sevey, Merwin Stone, and Harold Beatty. Several possible candidates have been out of school with the mumps.

EDGEWOOD ENDS GOOD SEASON

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cent. Bradley Stone scored 49 per cent by netting 30 out of 61 tries from the line. Howard Stalnaker out of 65 opportunities scored 28 times with an average of 43 per cent. Of the regular players, Ted Robinson and Gayle Peick tied, each missing 24 and making 9.

PERFECT CONCERT PLANS

Preparations for the Spring Concert, planned for the evening of May 3, are nearing completion. The girls and boys glee clubs and the orchestra are hard at work on special numbers for the big occasion.

Each glee club will sing its songs without the written music before them. The girls will contribute four special numbers. Color will be given to their part of the program when a sailor's hornpipe will be danced by two of the girls in connection with Lehor's Sailing Song.

The orchestra has tackled some difficult overtures, far more pretentious than anything heretofore attempted, together with popular and other music that will add to the attractiveness of the program. Violin trios, cornet, trombone and other combinations are among the possibilities being arranged by the orchestra leader, F. DiTella.

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ALUMNI RIPPLES

DOROTHY CUNLIFFE WRITES

Dorothy Cunliffe, class of 1921, writes the alumni members and students in response to the Woodland Echoes" invitation.

"It is with great pleasure that I fulfill your request to write a letter to the alumni and students who read the "Woodland Echoes".

"Let me first congratulate the students who take part in the publishing of the paper. It certainly shows that you are actually "doing things" that you wish to tell us alumni about.

"You asked me to mention what I have been doing since I left high school. Possibly most of you know that I attended Iowa State Teachers College for two years. Those two years were happy. Some of my high school class mates were there, too, and although they were not in my classes, I often met them on the campus and talked over old times with them.

"While in college I took the home economics course. I found it very interesting and I am sure I received a lot of good advice from my instructtors. Yet, college life is not all study. It enables you to meet other people and form new friendships. I'm sure that I gained some I shall cherish all my life.

"At the present time I am teach- home economics and some junior high school subjeces in the Randalia consolidated school. Using the classification of Dean Schneider, the University of Cincinnati, in which he describes different kinds of work as "enervating" and "energizing", I find teaching the latter. There is always something new, some pupil eager to learn, or perhaps some little difficulty to reason out with the student body.

There--that's enough about myself. I do want to say, though that I enjoy immensely reading the school and alumni news of the "Woodland Echoes".

Dorothy Cunliffe.

Clyde Wathen of Oelwein, father of Clayton, visited in the primary room last Monday.

ALUMNI RECALL FOOTBALL DAYS

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contact with.

When it comes to the result of the game, the players have failing memories but indications are that Lamont got what it came after. The game was played on a gridiron situated just south of the W. F. Belamy residence.

Accident Ends Football

An accident explains the absence of football from the local athletic menu of today. The boys were practicing after school and when the ball was kicked out in the road, a number ran after it and began to have a free-for-all tustle to see who would get it. Dwight Newman, the victim of the accident which followed, tells the following story: "It was entirely accidental . I was not in the struggle but watching it. In a playful spirit I tripped one of the boys near me and in turn he took after me and tripped me, breaking my leg. We were not near the ball, most of all not playing football".

Nevertheless, the school board met and passed a ruling banning football. The game was never revived.

Baseball was just coming into prominence as a school sport. The national sport soon became a local sport and games were played between the school and town teams and afterwards with teams from nearby towns.

The first and second grades are collecting pictures for a poster on "Ways of Travel". In the handwork period, the primary children have been busy drawing rabbits and making Easter baskets.

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