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HOW IT WORKS!

The superintendent of schools in a large industrial city in a Northern State found it necessary to suspend 600 pupils because they refused to attend school with colored children, there is something radically wrong in that community.

Such is the situation in Gary, Ind., where there has been much previous trouble in the school system because of the racial issue.

The position taken by Superintendent of Schools Charles Lutz is eminently correct and in line with the best American traditions, and he is to be commended for his forthright stand.

Anytime a majority of the students of a high school refuse to attend because it has been ruled that colored children shall attend with them, there is nothing left to do except to suspend or expell them.

We have had on so many occasions to criticize public officials for not doing their duty in cases like this that it is a relief and a pleasure to be able to praise Superintendent Lutz for his stand.

In this case it would seem that the parents are guilty, for if they had been true Americans they would have insisted that their children attend classes instead of staying away from school on a phony issue.

Although it may often seem to be unjust, it would appear to be true that parents have the kind of sons and daughters they deserve; and what the youngsters do or say comes largely from their parents and not out of a vacuum.

If real progress is to be made in improving group relations in this country, the mothers and fathers of America will have to assume a greater role than they have.

It is not the children of Gary but the parents who are responsible for the disgraceful occurrence that has given the city such a black eye.

Like so many parents in so many other American communities they failed in their duty, to teach their children the real meaning of democracy.

If they had done their duty as parents, this incident would never have occurred.

MY YEAR IN JAPAN

By Clifton Greene

The Japanese people are very friendly. They open their homes freely to the GI's who in exchange for their hospitality offered cigarettes and candy.

A Japanese wedding is very funny to watch, and I imagine, quite embarrassing to be in. The

ceremony seems to last for an hour or two. Afterwards they walk to the bride's home in single file, whether the distance is a mile or ten miles. The bride leads the parade with the relatives following, and the groom at the tail end. The groom is not allowed to see the bride for three days after the marriage, then he may take her away. That's just one of the ways to get married. There are several more.

The funerals are on the same order as the weddings. Long ceremonies and the single file march behind the casket or little tin box, if the deceased has been cremated, up steep mountain trails. Brother, these are long walks you can never forget!

Teen Age Chatter

By Dorothy Green



Hello Teen-agers. I am glad to be back reporting again after an absence of a few months.

Susie May White Hall spent Saturday in the great city of Omaha. She said she had an excellent time. (I know she did.)

Mattie Sue Nevels came back to visit us Sunday. It seemed like old times having her with us again—even though it was for just a day. Miss Anna Ware of Omaha accompanied her.

We were fortunate to have some more out of town people in our fair city. They were Nate Harvey, Sammy Lee and Jimmie Meyers, all Omahans. They came by special invitation.

Also visiting in Lincoln Sunday were Lloyd and Cannon Kinchlow, both from Hastings College. Daniel and Lowell Smith, Frederick Cannon and Oliver Middleton. They were also from Hastings. They were enroute to Omaha, but because of car trouble spent the day here, much to their delight.

A most attractive dinner party with the Misses Freddie Powell, Joyce Williams and Ruby Harper as hostesses was given Sunday afternoon for Jimmy Myers, Nate Harvey and Sammy Lee. Other guests were Robbie Powell, Cannon and Lloyd Kinchlow and Dorothy Green.

After dinner the group went bike-riding to show the out-of-town guests a few center of interest spots in Lincoln.

We've noticed a beautiful diamond on the third finger of Mary Bass' left hand. We wonder who this lucky person could be. (Who can tell us?)

Till next week,
Dotty

Our Children

By Mrs. W. B. Davis



An artistically brilliant boy or girl is always to be admired. If there is only one child, no comparisons need be made, you can express your pleasure and share the sense of achievement with that child without feeding his vanity.

You can make him feel that he has had certain gifts bestowed upon him by nature, and that he deserves credit only when he has made full use of them. But the other child, the one who brings home the poor report card—there is a different situation to face.

You will not meet the low marks with anger or evidences of disappointment. The first duty will be to find out why your boy or girl had difficulty doing his work. It may be lack of interest and effort on his part. It could be lack of average intelligence or a mind and temperament that will never fulfill themselves through book work. Some physical drawback, such as sight, hearing, or low physical tone. And it has happened that it was the wrong teacher.

If only moderate success is possible in school, do not make your child feel that school is all of life for him. There can be other opportunities, and abilities other than classroom ones. Help them develop them.

SPORTS CHIT CHAT

By Virginia Botts

Hello again sports fans. Tis about time your tid-bit writer rounded up some news for you. As our softball season is over and our Independents walked away with both the city class A and the tournament medals for the season, they are now preparing for basketball season. Tho it is far off, the boys are getting things lined up so there will be no delay when they do start.

Two of the Independent boys who have left our city will certainly be missed. The first to leave was George Alexander, who played a keen position of right field. And, of course we'll all miss Lewis Dickens, who has taken off for the east coast. The team is grateful for the swell sportmanship of these two faithful players.

The Red Shield team played a very good game of hard ball last Sunday at York, Nebr. Although they lost the game, it was interesting and the boys showed good sportmanship. Lets wish them more success on next year's games.

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Just in case some of you haven't seen the two medals presented to each boy, just take a look at any member of the team as they may be seen on caps, key chains, jackets, sweaters, and shirts. These are lovely bronze pins and are proudly worn by the members of the big "I" team.

Tis now I hear we're losing another "I" man next week. Perhaps some of you already know who he is and if you haven't guessed yet, I'll give you a hint. It's our latest groom; that ever alert, third-base thrower, catch-all man (know now?) Well it's none other than Calvin Rodgers. He and the Mrs. are leaving for Benton Harbor, Mich., for the winter. Here's hoping he returns for the ball season next spring.

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