



SHIRLEY SANDERSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Sanderson, Lone Oak, recently was crowned Queen of Lone Oak high school. The coronation scene is pictured here. In the group are, left to right, Peggy Galloway, Norma Reber, Roy Pate, Jimmy Rushing, Dwight Timmons, Buddy Fields, Bob-

by Anderson, Marella Gore, Margaret Dean Rein, Queen Shirley Sanderson, Jeanette Winchester, Patty Owen, Shirley Freeman, Crown Bearer Carroll Elliott, James McLeod, James Fesmire, Donald Parker, Billy Rushing, E. M. Evans, Babe Rushing, Barbara Baldree.

### YULETIDE SPIRIT SPREAD BY MUSIC DEPARTMENT

(By Barbara Baldree)

"A Christmas Carol off" will cheer, a poor man's heart through half the year."

So wrote Sir Walter Scott. A cheer for those who listen and a cheer for those who sing, that is the dual delight of caroling. How many carols do you know? The best known ones are: Silent Night, O Little Town of Bethlehem, O Come All Ye Faithful, Hark The Herald Angels Sing, It Came Upon A Midnight Clear, Joy To The World, God Rest You Merry Gentlemen, The First Noel, and Deck The Halls.

The Music Department made it possible for every home in Lone Oak to once more hear the carols America loves best. On December 23, a mixed chorus of approximately 45 music students were heard gently harmonizing the notes that filled each heart with good spirit. There were many "shut-ins" who appreciated the lifting of youthful voices ringing out the strains, "All is calm, all is bright."

Of course the listeners enjoyed this but the joy of singing was almost as great. The chorus met at the School at 7 p. m. and sang carols for two hours, after which Mrs. Routen entertained the group at "Carters."

### LONE OAK BUS SCHEDULE

Both Lone Oak students and residents of the community are supporting wholeheartedly the long-awaited "City bus to Lone Oak". The official first run was made on Thursday, December 12. Among Lone Oak students riding the bus on Thursday were Jimmie Raper, Joyce Word, Eddie Cothran, Shirley Sanderson, Bettie Hopkins and Mayme Sue Vanvactor and May Margaret Enderlin.

The bus schedule is:

Morning: Leaves Lone Oak — 6:20; 7:20; 8:20. Leaves 4th & Broadway: 6:50; 7:50.

Afternoon: Leaves Lone Oak — 1:20; 2:20; 3:20; 4:20; 5:40; 6:40. Leaves 4th & Broadway: 1:50; 2:50; 3:50; 5:10; 6:10.

### CARTERS REOPENS

New Years Day may be the big day for the reopening of Carter's new Luncheonette. The new place is bigger, better, and will take care of the crowd that is always going there.

Carter's new place is very neat in appearance, being well lighted. Parking space is abundant, now being provided on three sides of the building.

The interior is done in blue and coral. Six blue and wine leather booths line one side with the counter running the full length of the opposite wall. Fifteen red leather stools serve the counter. Music will be provided by remote control from each booth and from two places at the counter. Drive-in customers may be entertained by music also, through loudspeakers at each end of the building.

New kitchen equipment includes a steam table, stove and ice cream freezer.

The people of Lone Oak should be proud to have such a grand place to meet friends and enjoy good food.

### HOME EC. XMAS DINNER

On Monday, December 16, the Home Ec. III class cooked and served a Christmas dinner. The menu included: chicken and dressing, English peas, mashed potatoes, Waldorf salad, hot biscuits, butter, lemon sherbet, and ice tea.

Members of the class enjoying this dinner were: Ernestine Boaz, Earlene Boaz, Katherine Ross, Margaret Johnson, Myrtle Mitchell, Clara Shaeffer, Virginia Abell, Mildred Champion, Margaret Rein, Helen Driskill and Delores Toy.

### LONE OAK FHA REPRESENTED AT DISTRICT MEET

On Saturday, December 7, several members of the Lone Oak Chapter of FHA went to the district meeting at Sedalia. Those making the trip were: June Allen, district president, Beverly Hines, Betty Ruth Hunt, Marianne Pryor, Virginia Abell, Aimee Warner, Katherine Ross and Mrs. Florence Reynolds.

### PATE-RAGLAND EXCHANGE VOWS

Among the interesting programs planned for the basketball queen contest, was a social event of December, a womanless wedding presented by the boys of the Senior

given in marriage by her father, D. E. Parker. The groom was Eugene Ragland. The ceremony was solemnized at 8:30 in the Lone Oak gymnasium with Reverend Snelling officiating.

The bride, who wore a formal white gown of organdy and carried white lilies was attended by Edna Mae Evans, flower girl.

Barbara Anderson, maid of honor, wore a pale pink backless gown. Her flowers were pink roses. The bride's maids were Janis Richmond and Tressa Adams who chose for their dresses, shades of lavender and pink and carried arm bouquets of roses.

The music for the wedding was furnished by two talented musicians, McLeodski and Baldwinus, who played the wedding march and "Nothing" written by neither one of them. "I Love You Truly" was sung by Jane Raper, who was dressed in yellow with a shoulder corsage of red roses.

### EXCITING CHAPEL

High school students enjoyed an unusual chapel program on Thursday, December 12, the morning after the exciting close of the annual basketball queen contest when Mr. Robinson introduced Queen Shirley and her attendants to the student body. Each of the class candidates and each sponsor was given a large box of candy as an expression of Mr. Robinson's gratitude for the splendid showing made by each individual.

### ANNUAL EDITOR

Eugene Ragland has been selected editor of the Flash yearbook and will begin plans for the 1946-47 annual at once. Betty Hunt was chosen co-editor. James Lee McLeod will serve as advertising manager. Other members of the staff will be elected this week.

### SHIRLEY SANDERSON CROWNED QUEEN

In a colorful ceremony preceding the La Center-Lone Oak game on December 17, Shirley Sanderson successful senior candidate was crowned basketball queen for

the crowded gymnasium were the ten members of the varsity squad. The team made a brilliant picture in purple and gold as they formed a large V on either side of the throne. Next to enter were the four cheerleaders, Norma Reber, Babe Rushing, Peggy Galloway and Barbara Baldree wearing their attractive new uniforms of purple and gold with large yellow mums tied with ribbons in the school colors. Marella Gore and Shirley Freeman, junior maids of honor entered next. Both Marella and Shirley wore floorlength colonial dresses of white and carried French bouquets of pale pink and white. First of the queen's high school attendants to enter was Jeanette Winchester, Freshman candidate, who wore pink and carried an arm bouquet of carnations in shades of pale pink. Margaret Dean Rein, Junior candidate came next wearing white and carrying carnations in a darker shade of rose. Entering just before the queen was the Sophomore candidate and runner-up in the queen contest, Patty Owen who wore pale blue and also carried an arm bouquet of carnations in deep rose shade. Next came Queen Shirley wearing a portrait gown of white marquisette over white taffeta. Her only jewelry was a large antique cameo which she wore suspended from a narrow black velvet ribbon. She carried a beautiful bouquet of talisman roses with cysanthemums and carnations in shades of cream and gold.

Queen Shirley was followed by Carroll Elliott, Flash mascot, who carried the queens crown on a pillow of purple velvet.

Captain Bob Anderson crowned the queen who in a brief speech of acceptance wished Captain Anderson and his team a basketball season of continued success.

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### NEW YEAR AT LAST

As the New Year rings in and the old year out we see a lot of people making New Year resolutions. We hear the beautiful music from the chimes and ringing of bells, the blowing of horns. We see people celebrating the coming of a better and more prosperous year. Most of us should be celebrating for the same thing, making our school life and environment better and happier. That also takes a few sacrifices, or what is better known as New Year resolutions.

Resolutions are more than just saying you are going to make a resolution. You have to carry them out all during the New Year and years to come. If everyone in the school would make one resolution and carry it out we would have a lot better school.

If when the New Year of 1947 comes, you remember to make at least one good resolution. You'll find in the long run a more pleasant and happier year.  
Happy New Year!

The Editor.

### CUSTOMS OF NEW YEAR

When we think of New Year we think only of celebrating. We never stop to think of the customs of New Year. So maybe we can refresh your memory of some of the customs of New Year.

We usually think of the first day of the year for celebration, it is a custom that dates back to the earliest dawn of civilization. The Jews celebrated their New Year in Autumn, while the Romans celebrated on December 21, but was changed to January 1. If we could fly over China and Japan on a magic carpet we would think they were celebrating all their holidays at once. They make merry with feasts and fireworks and exchange of gifts and good wishes. New Year's day in Scotland is considered more important than Christmas.

As you see in the other countries that they celebrate more than we do. But just like us they think only of celebrating on New Years. So if anyone asks you what your going to do one New Year just say, "Doin' what comes naturally, celebrate."

—Editor.

### SENIOR MINSTREL

The much talked of an often postponed Senior Minstrel will open rehearsals immediately after the Christmas holidays. "The Darktown Follies" will be a really authentic old-fashioned Minstrel Show with plenty of fresh comedy material combined with an unusual musical program.

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### RESOLUTIONS

As the old year passed away, so did my other self. . . It took my bad traits all away and put them on the shelf. . . With pen in hand I did resolve to be an angel sweet. . . To be a good girl all the time for me would be no feat. I'd do my homework too . . . I'd I'd do my housework too. . . I'd hand my lessons in on time and make the teachers coo. . . I'd even part with chewing gum, I'd give up chocolate candy. . . I'd never tell those awful lies that were so very handy. . . The straight and narrow roadway would be the path for me. . . I'd never see the winding lane that called me to be free. . .

Monday found me fast asleep when the school bell rang. . . But I told my teacher I was ill without a single pang. . . I chewed my gum with gusto, I ate late during class. . . I wrote a note to Sally I was a weak

I'd left my housework all undone, my homework was no better. . . For of my lessons for the next day, I didn't know a letter. . . My better self forgot to be my better self and so . . . I tore my little paper up and to next year let it go. . .

—Selected.

## What Poetry

By MARIAN SANDERSON

### SNOW IN LONE OAK

There's many a lovely poem  
Of snow like patterns of lace,  
But the guy that wrote of wonderful snow  
Has never seen this place.

Sure, of course it's restful;  
Soft, living things in sleep—  
But listen brother, It's time to Awake  
When you're out in it fender-deep.

We love winter's refreshing coolness  
And the frost that is swirled all about  
Why is it that stuff ain't so pretty?  
With the fire in the furnace gone out.

Of course we'll never mention  
The slush of the snow from before  
And the poets have never written  
Of water, four feet in the door.

The ice around here, it doth sparkle  
(And effects from the "falls" can be seen)  
Some folks dreaming of a white Christmas,  
But I think I'll take mine green.



### TEACHER'S XMAS GIFTS

Although I do not really know  
I'm willing now to bet—  
That these are Christmas gifts  
Our teachers waited to get.

Alderson wanted a heated room  
And it really was quite funny,  
That Mrs. Page would want a thing  
With all that "pencil money".

Mrs. Routen wanted a whip  
Especially to students cater,  
Mrs. Hirst is looking now  
For a "Pate" exterminator.

"Lib" wanted only peace and quite  
And Reynolds was seen sending—  
Scissors with her greeting cards—  
And the words, "I'm tired of lending!"

Mrs. Hicks wanted vitamins  
To boost sixth period pep,  
"Coach" Thursten deserved a badge  
For Guiding traffic on the step.

Two Agriculture teachers we know,  
Being momentarily "Sane"—  
Are asked the great big Board of health  
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### WHO'S WHO IN PERCENTAGE

The Juniors led this months attendance percentage with a percentage of 97.97. Which is lower compared to the Seniors percentage of 98.89 last month and the Senior-Eighth grade tie of 98.89 the first month.

The Eighth grade were second with a percentage of 96.82. The Seniors followed with 96.09. Next came the Sophomores with 93.71. Last were the Freshman with 89.

The attendance percentages for the third school month were lower than those of the two preceding months so lets all try to make this month, which will be the last month of the first semester, the highest in percentage attendance for each class.

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# Flash Edged Out Of JC Tournament

## Lone Oak Downs Sharpe; Loses To Tilghman In Semi-Finals

The Tilghman Tornado edged out a smaller, more aggressive, and very determined Flash to enter the finals of the Jaycee Christmas tournament by a score of 39-35. The Tilghman-Lone Oak game was easily the most exciting and probably the most decisive of the tournament. In the end it was the extreme difference in height that swung the victory for Tilghman.

**Lineups:**  
**Tilghman 39** Lone Oak 35  
 Curtis 9 F Pate 7  
 Elliott 6 F McLeod 5  
 Lansden 15 C Rushing 3  
 Price 3 G Anderson 14  
 Dickson 3 G Timmons  
 Subs: Lone Oak—Fesmire, 6, Fields, Allen. Tilghman—Warner 1, Cromwell 2.

**Quarter scores:**  
 Tilghman ..... 11 20 26 39  
 Lone Oak ..... 10 18 27 35

Lone Oak's aggressive Purple Flash ruined a perfect Sharpe record on Friday night, Dec. 27 by winning their first game of the Jaycee Christmas tournament by a score of 42 to 36. It was a great night for the Lone Oak boys who were playing in the Jaycee fracas for the first year. McLeod led the night's scoring with 12 points.

**Lineups:**  
**Lone Oak 42** Sharpe 36  
 Pate 10 F Lampley 10  
 McLeod 12 F Hester 6  
 Rushing 10 C Reeves 4  
 Timmons G McGregor 14  
 Anderson 8 G Blakney 2  
 Subs: Sharpe, Metcalfe 4, Lone Oak: Fesmire.

**Score by quarters:**  
 Lone Oak ..... 13 18 26 42  
 Sharpe ..... 7 13 24 36

### BASKETBALL SCORES TO DATE

- Oct. 22—Blandville, Here 41-23.
- Oct. 25—Kuttawa, There, 57-22.
- Oct. 29—Melber, Here, 39-28.
- Nov. 1—Reidland, There, 58-22.
- Nov. 8—LaCenter, There, 42-21.
- Nov. 12—Fredonia, There, 47-35.
- Nov. 15—Clinton, There, 38-39.
- Nov. 19—Kuttawa, here, 69-31.
- Nov. 26—Sharpe, Here, 45-49.
- Dec. 3—Reidland, Here, 62-43.
- Dec. 6—Heath, Here, 58-24.
- Dec. 10—Benton, Here, 45-27.
- Dec. 11—Dawson, (Tilghman), 53-34.
- Dec. 13 Smithland, Here, 63-49
- Dec. 14, Hazel, Benton, 46-33.
- Dec. 17, LaCenter, Here, 68-43.

### COUNTY TOURNAMENT

The McCracken County high school basketball tournament will be renewed this season. The tournament will involve Heath, Reidland and Lone Oak and will be held Jan. 3-4 at Heath. The tournament will be rotated in alphabetical order with Lone Oak acting as host next year.

The mentors voted to hold a second team tournament in connection with the varsity affair. Each school will keep eight varsity men out of reserve competition with the remainder of the squad becoming eligible to play in the reserve games.

The Heath and Lone Oak reserves will clash at 7:15 o'clock on Friday night, Jan. 3 with the winner to play Reidland in the finals on Saturday at 7:30.

For varsity competition Heath will rest Friday getting set to meet the winner of the Lone Oak Reidland game which is scheduled for 8:30 Friday night. The finals will be played at 8:45 Saturday night, Jan. 4.

Bill Young and Herbert Hurley were selected as officials.

### NEW STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBER

The Junior Class lost one of their representatives on the Student Council when Bill Shawmeyer returned to Illinois to enter school. At a class meeting, December 13, members of the class elected Buddy Fields to take Shawmeyer's place. Buddy is a member of the basketball team and prominent in his class activities.

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## Focusing The SPOTLIGHT

By PERRYMAN SELLARS

Pictures of the varsity basketball team may be obtained by placing your name on the list which is found on the bulletin board in the Senior home room. The price for these pictures will be 50 cents each. ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY JANUARY 4.

In their first salute to High School teams Radio Station WKYB honored the Lone Oak Purple Flash on Friday, December 6, at 12:15. The Master of Ceremonies, Sam Livingston introduced to the radio audience, the Captain, Bob Anderson and Co-captain, James McLeod. Coach R. L. Thursten answered questions concerning the team and expressed his belief that Lone Oak had not reached the peak of their ability.

After having basketball suits ordered for nearly five months and not receiving them for the crowning of the queen and the J. C. C. Invitational Tournament, Mr. Robinson has purchased ten gold satin uniforms which will be used until the ordered suits arrive.

Seen in a recent issue of the Sun Democrat: "Coach R. L. Thursten has a good enough team on the bench every game to beat at least seven teams in this district. What coach in this section wouldn't appreciate such "second-stringers" as Buddy Fields, who has got just about the best left-hand shot in this section; Don Parker, E. M. Evans, Nolan Allen, etc?"

## LITTLE STREAKS OF THE Future Flash

(By Paul Snelling)

The 1946-47 Junior League season started off with a bang although it found Lone Oak at the little end of the scoring. Coach Robinson's Jr. team showed plenty of fighting spirit as well as the ability to play a better brand of ball than they played in dropping their opener to St. Mary's Squires by a score of 39-41.

Showing plenty of reasons why Lone Oak Jr. League will be hard to beat were the performances of Jr. Poyner, Glen Yates, "St. Louis" Johnson, Wilbur Pirtle, Bobby Henson, Bobby Horton, Harold Rogers, Zolan Wallace, Glen Dexter, and Don Elliott. Subs who will get their chance to prove their ability are Bob Bell, Jack Phipps, Douglas Abell.

To the Subs and the boys who did not get to dress, I personally, would like to say don't blame yourself, your coach or your teammates. Remember names like — Bobby Anderson, James McLeod, Jimmy Rushing, Dwight Timmons, Roy Pate, Donald Parker, Nolan Allen, Billy Rushing, Buddy Fields, E. M. Evans, Joyce Word and many others who have played on the Jr. League before your time, then think—how many of them started or how many of them were on the squad the first time they went out for ball.

Maybe "Boss" editor will give me just a little more room to say "Boys, when you lose a game, we're as sorry as you but no matter how big a score separates you from victory, we'll still be on your side when you play your next game."

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# GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

## GRADE OPERETTA

Before the monthly meeting of the Lone Oak P. T. A. on Monday night, December 16 and again on Tuesday morning before the student body, the first five grades of the Lone Oak School presented an operetta, "Where Was Santa?" Mrs. Routen directed the music and grade teachers, Mrs. Lamm, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Meunier, Peeples, Mrs. Burnley and Miss Futrell and Mrs. DuLaney coached the children in their speaking parts and also helped to make the costumes.

The charming little operetta told the story of a wicked witch who upset Santa into a snowbank and took his sleigh. She started to take the toys and the toymakers away with her to her castle in the sea when Santa who had been rescued by Polo the aviator returned just in time to give the witch a Christmas gift which released her from a curse which had held her under a spell for three hundred years.

The cast was as follows:  
 Santa—Charles Wickliffe.  
 Polo—Alton Yates.  
 Wixwax, Princess of the Golden Cloud—Linda Stevenson.  
 The Crooked Man—The Prince Cerulean—Craig Foster.  
 Queen of the Northern Lights—Emma Katherine Tinsley.  
 Polar Bear—Russell Harper  
 First Toy Maker—Randall Robinson.  
 Second Toy Maker — James Owen Slusemeyer.  
 Third Toy Maker—Harold Reed.  
 Fourth Toy Maker — Bobby Agnew.  
 First Earth Child—David Morris.  
 Second Earth Child—Mary Joe Alderson.  
 Third Earth Child—Marjorie Fieldson.  
 Fourth Earth Child—Jerry Morris.  
 First Bugaboo—Ann Hurt.  
 Second Bugaboo—Jean Winchester.  
 Third Bugaboo—Annita Kelly.  
 Fourth Bugaboo—Lanoka Overstreet.

Miniature Toy-makers' chorus: John Ryan, Nancy Kelly, David Coram, Larry Hooper, Judy Yates.

## DONALD PARKER RECEIVES SCROLL AND QUILL PIN

Our editor, Danold Parker, has received his gold Editor's pin from the Quill and Scroll, International Society for Student Journalists. The staff has also received their membership certificate from the same society, of which our class is very proud to be a member.

Michael Smithson, Janet Ann Taylor, Phyllis Skaggs, Patsy Phelps, Jimmy Perdue, Charlotte Lamarr, Elizabeth Faith.

Northern Lights Chorus: Patricia Poynor, Betty Sue Alderson, Dorothy Owen, Shirley Howard, Margaret Rose Ward, Gloria June Carey, Avonda Rudolph, Barbara Morris, Patricia Palmer, Nancy Fondaw, Nonnie Jean Davenport, Norma Jean Andrecht, Jacqueline Waltman.

Bugaboo's Chorus: Beth Pippin, Nancy Joe Myer, Sandra Jean Clark, Jerry Vaughn, Sonny Stanfield.

Earth Children Chorus: Barbara Nestler, Bobby Nestler, Sue Marrs, Gerry Bazzel, Barbara Groff, Sammy Freeman, Rudolph Sanderson, Edwart Knott, Tommy Morris, Ned Buchannan, Gerald James, Gary Dowell, Monroe Faith.

Carolers: Margaret Jett, Edna Owen, Peggy Evans, Clara McGrew, Billy Davenport, Dickie Anderson, Ruth Ross.

James Claypool: "I want to type the word "Look" but the machine has only one 'o'!"

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## Best We Forget

Well, here is news, Perryman Sellars is actually dating. I bet those twins get a lot of fun out of fooling him. Anyway he's out of knee pants style.

Since Frank Dunlap has been home, you can refer to Betty as a neon-sign, she's lit up all the time.

Who is that we see with Joe Morris? That's right Patty Owen.

What would happen if Johnny didn't appear in Journalism class and say "Mom," where is my lunch money?

The girls in Latin are teasing Mr. Robinson about his lumpy mattress. He took the money from the queen contest home for safe-keeping and hardly slept a wink.

Shirley Sanderson pricks up her ears when anyone sings "Burlesque Theater." Especially when they get to the refrain of "Queenie, Queenie, queen of them all."

I wonder who gets more telephone calls—Jimmie Raper or Norma R.

Bobby, when are you going to give Murline that ring? The suspense is killing us!

It looks as if June Allen can't make up her mind. You had better

hurry June!

Elizabeth Sanderson has told about her dramatic entrance to the office down the stair rail Wednesday afternoon three minutes before four o'clock.

Well Carl Howard, just before Christmas is the best time to quit a girl we always say.

What was Mr. Thurston talking about when he called Bobby Baldwin a love-sick kitten?

Shirley, since the contest has closed are you sending your picture back from where it came from? We heard you received a letter Friday morning.

A merry Christmas to the Senior Class from Mrs. Hirst will be their six weeks test papers tied with a red ribbon.

Peggy Galloway has really been occupying B. B. Hook's car lately (and to think she has such a short distance to walk).

It really must be winter time, because Agnes Winn is sure carrying a hunk of ice on her third finger of the left hand.

Floyd Fesmire acts as if he was off women for life—what's wrong Floyd, did some Fraulein give you the air?

James Claypool—"This typewriter isn't any good."

Mrs. North: "What's the matter?"

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