



Count Mountjoy (George Romkema), Duchess Gloriana XII (Karen Muckey), the page (Carla Wagner), and Mr. Benter (Darrel Vanden Hoek) discuss the fate of their tiny Duchy, Grand Fenwick.



The Secretary of State (Roy Beukelman) and his secretary (Mary Hoekman) show amusement at the "fake" declaration of war sent by Grand Fenwickian leaders.



COMET EDITOR CHOSEN DAR DELEGATE

Pat Van Roekel was selected the DAR delegate from CHS. The Editor of the Comet, Pat was honored for good citizenship and for participation in a wide variety of school and community activities.

The top three girls chosen by the senior class were interviewed by the faculty. Pat was chosen to represent CHS in the county and state contests.

Excellent Production of "The Mouse That Roared" Staged By Drama Club

Actors and actresses in the comedy "The Mouse That Roared" excelled themselves in production staged last Friday and Saturday evenings.

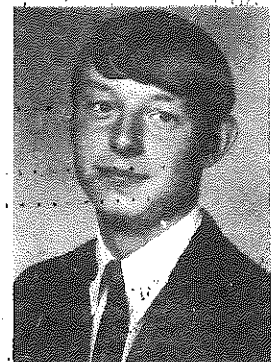
Karen Muckey, Brent DeBoer, George Romkema, and Darrel Vanden Hoek gave fine performances in the leading roles--Grand Fenwick's leaders.

Roy Beukelman, Ricky Krull, Keith Sprecher and Elwood Vanden Berge gave fine character readings of American leaders reluctantly involved

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FOR YOUR DIARY: Attend the Christmas Concert, December 22.



GARY OLAWSKY MAKES ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM

Senior Gary Olawsky, who played End-Guard for the Comet football team, has been selected to the All-State Team.

Playing defensive end and offensive left guard, Gary rolled up an impressive list of statistics this past season.

(For details, see page 5)

Why would anyone take the time to drive safely and alertly? What I really mean is--why bother? If every person would become a conscientious and law-abiding driver think how it would effect the nation's economy.

Fewer funerals would mean less flowers, this would effect the florists. The call on morticians and gravediggers would have a sharp drop; not to mention all the workers who would be laid off in the repair and body shops. Car manufacturers would not have as great a demand for their products so the profits would be less and this could have a great effect also.

Professions which would become non-existent would be research personnel and engineers who do work on new safety devices and perfecting the ones that are already in use.

The medical profession as well as dental would have to find new patients due to the decrease of those who need their services. They would have to charge more for the services they perform on any non-accident victims, trying to keep the same income. This is a good reason! No one wants to see medical expenses go up due to a lack of serious accidents on the road.

Deaths keep down the unemployment rate. Fatalities on the roads create new job openings, thereby giving the next guy a chance at your former job.

As I mentioned in the beginning of this article, why bother to drive carefully? In my opinion it is the most unrewarding habit that any person could ever fall into. When you are out on the road go ahead and have a good time--that is all that really matters! And if by some unfortunate "accident" you should get killed or injured, just remember that you had your fun and also it was your way of contributing to the welfare of our nation. M.V.Z.

People who do not believe in anything never accomplish anything worthwhile in the world. You can do a job that you think is impossible, if you believe that the job can be done, but not if you take the attitude "it cannot be done, as there is no use attempting it." You can better the world if you believe that conditions of the world can be improved, but not if you take the position that, human nature being what it is, there is nothing anyone can do about them. If you want to do something worthwhile with your life, you will have to believe that whatever needs to be done can be done, if only someone is brave enough to undertake it, and you will yourself have to be brave enough to undertake it, whether anyone else does so or not.

This, of course, is also to say that you must devote to something that is truly great and significant. You must find a good cause and give to it the best you have as long as you live. Today, there are many great causes that are looking for your support: world peace, desperately; and the abolition of poverty (the kind that denies to human beings the necessities of life and of personal development); and the preservation of those civil liberties that are essential for the existence of everyone in a democracy.

You should have no difficulty in finding a good cause. But you may have difficulty in supporting it. People who support good causes are not always understood or approved of by their contemporaries. (con't. page 3 col. 3)

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BETTY CROCKER TEST GIVEN

The Betty Crocker Home-maker test was given December first to all Corsica High School senior girls by Mr. Billars, guidance director. This is a fifty minute test which measures general information and understanding of such subjects as family budgeting, buying, home furnishing, child care, health and safety, family relationship, and involvement in community life. This test provides an opportunity for the girls who rank high in the state and nation to compete for scholarships ranging from \$500.00 to \$5000.00 awarded by General Mills.

STUDENTS SELL ADS

On November 21, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Kruse took eight students, in two groups, to sell annual ads. Mr. Kruse took Nancy Noteboom, Sherry Reimntz, Chuck Holstein, and Doug Kredit to Stickney and Platte. Mr. Wilson took Karen Muckey, Pat Van Roekel, Margie Van Zee, and Mary Hoekman to Armour and Parkston. The combined total of all the ads sold was \$227.50.

SALES

TOTAL

\$483

December 4, during half time of the basketball game, four quarters of beef were given away. The lucky winners were Mrs. H. Kruse from Wetonka, Andy Spaans from Stickney, Sam Veenstra from Harrison and Ernest from Parkston. Total sales of raffle tickets amounted to \$483, this amount will go into the athletic fund.

SSC VISITED

Principal, Owen Kluksdahl, and Guidance Director Robert Billars, attended the South Dakota Vocational Technical Institute held at Southern State College in Springfield on the December 2. This Institute provided those attending with information regarding vocational-technical education that will help in counseling students, as well as an opportunity to visit with representatives from business and industry about their needs and desires regarding new employees. A tour of the vo-tech departments of Southern rounded out the day.

SOUP SUPPER WAS A SUCCESS

The Senior Class Soup Supper was a big success. It was held Saturday night, November 21, in the school gym, from 5:00 to 8:30 o'clock. The bake sale, also held in the gym, was a success as well.

The menu consisted of one of four kinds of soup, (vegetable, chicken, chili, and oyster), barbecue, a desert, and coffee or milk. A free will offering was taken. Proceeds from the evening were \$204.81.

The Senior Class would like to thank everyone who came and contributed.

ASSEMBLY GIVEN

Mr. Jerry Adams of the State university of Fargo North Dakota will present an exciting demonstration of the sports and games played by millions around the world. Don't miss it at 12:30 today!

CHRISTMAS FANTASY

What are you doing over Christmas vacation?
Mr. Wilson: Fix my car and Mr. Kulhavy's. I'm also going to stuff myself with nuts and cranberries.
Greg R.: I'm just going to live right and enjoy life.
Janice B.: Look for Henry and keep Zigfree out of Penelope.
Lois G.: Going to Mitchell and hide.
Carla W.: Dream of a white German Christmas.
Russell M.: Confiscate snow balls.
Dawn B.: Celebrate!
Donna S.: Make a snowman.
Ginger S.: Write a letter to Santa Claus.
Mr. Selchert: Go to bowling Tournaments.
Faye M.: Go to Florida for the weekend.
Cheryle M.: Go to a lot of parties and write my research theme.
Rod S.: The usual-go to all the annual Christmas parties.
Randy J.: Going to Washington D.C., and have fun?
Mary H.: Shrivell up and perish.
Keith S.: How should I know?
Brent D.B.: Can't tell.
Lois K.: Beats me.
Mrs. Keith: Sleep.
Tom G.: Think of what I'll be doing in the summer.
Chuck H.: Eat, drink, and be merry.
George R.: What? When I'm sober?

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It's only when a good cause has succeeded and the worth of it can no longer be doubted or denied that most people begin to understand and appreciate the faithful few who have so unwaveringly supported it.

The question is: Are you going to do something worthwhile in the world?

WINTER

by Russell Metzger

Winter is a gay season, it is a time for snowball fights, torturing teachers, and it is also the season when Milton the gopher, takes a three day vacation to go and visit his mother, the only reason he goes to his mother, is because she bakes the best alfalfa root pie in the country.

Winter is also the time, when Adolph the venture, makes his annual trip to Hamiltons Flying School, to pick up a few pointers, and the latest techniques on flying.

For tiny the elephant winter is the season, to run down to Ted's Place and buy a winter supply of salt and peanuts.

For the typical human, winter is the best season to try and build a snowman, because it is rather hard to do in the spring, summer, or fall.

The only person I know who does not like winter is Zac the pigman, his main excuse for hating winter is that he doesn't have a pair of overshoes, and the last time he tried to steal a pair he got bit by Henry, the watch rabbit.

(Continued from page 1) in the conflict with the tiny Duchy whose economy is being threatened by an unscrupulous firm in San Rafael.

The U.S. Secretary of State (R. Benkelman) pays no attention when his secretary (Mary Hoekman) brings him a Declaration of War from Grand Fenwich. He is unable to attract the President (Elwood Vanden Berge) to the matter, and so mat-

DID YOU RECEIVE ONE?

A new policy of reporting to parents has been adopted in Corsica for Jr. and Sr. High school. This policy is the use of a mid-term deficiency slip sent to parents of students who are doing failing work or are on the borderline at midterm. The objective of this slip is not to punish any student, but to give those students a warning that their work is not satisfactory at midterm. It is hoped that this will give any student receiving one a chance to bring his grade up. It is felt that the regular nine week reports will then find a smaller number of failing grades. One thing all students must remember, and that is that just because they didn't get one of the deficiency slips is no sign that they couldn't possibly fail. Everyone must keep working to keep those grades above the failing mark.

ters stagnate.

Having decided to invade and lose a war to the U.S., so as to qualify for aid, Grand Fenwich's forces, led by Tully Bascom (B. DeBoer) and Will Tatum (D. Kredit), unexpectedly captures a scientist, a general and his two daughters, and the new and dreaded Q-Bomb.

Playing minor roles and performing well were Cindy Arlt (with purple feet), I. Gramann, K. Gardeman, D. Noteboom, Dawn Bordewyk, J. Maunders, G. Rexwinkel, F. Menning, M. Van Zee, L. Van Zee, K. Klein, L. Ligtenburg, J. Brink, C. Wagner and M. Ligtenburg.

To show their appreciation the cast presented Director Mrs. Keith with a potted plant after the last show.

WHY WE SKIP SCHOOL

by Valerie DeVries

Why do we miss
And then so soon
Get back to school
And skip at noon?

It seems so fun
To miss a class
Cause we imagine
We will pass.

We hate to live
Behind a book
And look at teachers
Who have that look.

That look of sadness
And bitter dismay,
When us poor kids
Feel just that way.

Why shouldn't us kids
Feel just that way
When we are trapped
The live-long day.

We think about
The fun outside.
The sunshine and
That horse to ride.

Our brows do sweat
Behind the pages.
Cause we are tied
In here for ages.

Ages of agony
While he teaches.
Of numbers and letters,
And liquids and leeches.

We study the moon
And the wind. Big deal!
If we'd be outside
We'd have them for real.

So this is why
We must so soon
Get back to school
And skip at noon.

The world would be immensely better off if people would do nothing when they have nothing to do.

OLAWSKY'S FINE FOOTBALL RECORD

Gary Olawsky started both ways for three years. He has led the team in tackling the past two years and was second in his sophomore year.

This year he averaged about eleven tackles at his end position. He has thrown the opposing Quarter Back for losses seventeen times as he was attempting to pass. He personally blocked four punts, recovered three fumbles, and has scored three touch downs while he was on defense.

On offense he played left offensive guard and was a very fine blocker, opening up good holes for our backs when they carried the football.

LITTLE COMETS START SEASON

The Corsica "B" team also picked up one win and one loss as they downed Geddes 29-28, and lost to Wagner 61-31.

In the Geddes contest, which was very close, Rus Metzger led in the shooting and rebounds. The team shot a cold 23% from the field and 34% from the free throw line. It was a team effort on defense.

The Comet "B" team was defeated by Wagner 61-31 in a hard fought battle as the Little Comets just couldn't find the range to the bucket. They shot 21% from the field and 50% from the free throw line.

Leading scorer was Mike Buck with nine, followed closely by Curt Kredit with eight and Rus Metzger with seven. It was a team effort on defense while Metzger led in the rebounding department.

SPORTS



WRESTLING PROGRAM BEGINS

COMETS WIN OPENER

Corsica High School started its Wrestling Program on November 2. This is the first year that Corsica will be competing on an inter-school basis.

Wrestling is a very tough sport as the boys have to meet a weight requirement that is set by a doctor every time they wrestle. The weight classes are at maximums of: 98, 105, 112, 119, 126, 132, 138, 145, 155, 167, 185, and an unlimited weight class. (180 pounds or over.)

The team is very fortunate that they are going to have a boy in nearly every weight division.

Here are the boys and what classes they are likely to be in if they meet the weight requirements.

Weight Class

098-Alan Herrig, Kevin Van Gorderon, and Albert Heber.

105-None

112-Duane Vanden Hoek and Brent Uilenburg.

119-Clyde Grauman and Glen Van Zee.

126-Steven Vanden Hoek.

132-Doug Kredit, Glen Herrig, Dave De Vries, Rod Plooster, Gary Van Zee, and Loren Sperlich.

138-Randy Manning, Darryl Jongsma, Gary De Vries, Brad Hamburg, Dale Weerhagen, and Lowell Bye.

The Corsica Comets opened the 1970-1971 basketball season successfully as they downed the Geddes Rams 77-41. The game started out rugged as neither team could get their offense in high gear, and at half time the score was 29-17. The Comets then fired up and scored 24 points in the third quarter and 22 in the fourth, to come away with a 77-41 victory. The Comets shot a warm 48% from the field, and a cold 30% at the free throw line.

Leading a well balanced scoring attack was Joe Mauders with 18 points, followed closely by Roy Boukelman and Randy Jendersee with 15, and 13 points respectively. It was a team effort on defense in which Gary Olawsky was the leading rebounder with 11 while Elwood Vanden Berge and Randy Jendersee each had nine.

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145-Kevin Gardeman, Tom Gerlach, Ivan Grauman, Vandel De Vries, Jim Spaans, Harlan Spaans, Dave Spaans, and Dan Everson.

155-Dewayne Mulenburg.

167-Dwayne Van Roekel. Heavy weight-Greg Rexwinkle, Chuck Holstein, and Rod Schrank.

WRESTLERS

OPEN SEASON

by Greg Rexwinkle

The Comets traveled to Mt. Vernon to open their wrestling season. The Comets lost by a score of 45 to 15. Picking up wins for the Comets by pins were: Kevin Van Genderen 98 lb., Duane Vanden Hoek 112 lb., and Dwayne Van Roeled 185 lb on a forfeit by Mt. Veron.

The Mustangs won all their matches by pins also. The ones picking up wins for Mt. Vernon were Brulm 105 lb., Royalty 119 lb., Weiczorel 126 lb., Mayer 132 lb., Johnson 138 lb., Youngstrom 145 lb., Starr 155 lbs, Nicoliason 167 lb., Giemon Hwt.

There was a 5-match exhibition before the varsity match. Mt. Vernon won this by a score of 20 to 5.

B.B. SCHEDULE

CONTINUED

Jan. 6-9	CBH Tourney Plankinton
12	Bonesteel**
15	Kimball***
19	Tripp
22	Mt. Vernon*
29	Stickney***
30	Platte**
Feb. 5	Reliance***
9	Armour**
12	Ethan*
13	Lake Andes**
19	Plankinton***
23-26	District Wagner

Denotes

* Conference

** Home

*** Home Conference

The paper staff apologizes for the error in stating that the opponents gained 90 yards rushing. This figure should have been for rushing and passing.

COMETS WHIP

MITCHELL J.V.

The Comets picked up win Number Two of the young season Thursday night by defeating the Mitchell J.V.'s. by the score of 63-43. The Comets played a very poor game by shooting 33% from the field and 60% from the free throw line. The Comets also had about 25 turnovers.

The Comets led throughout the whole game as a free throw by Joe Maunders and a field goal by Randy Schryvers gave them a 3-2 lead which they never gave up. At one time Corsica led by 15 but them Mitchell cut it to six with one quarter remaining. Then the Comets really went to work and started hitting the bucket more frequently. Final score 63-42.

Leading scorer for the Comets was Joe Maunders with 25 points followed by Randy Schryvers with 15 points and Randy Jendersee with 14 points. Schryvers and Brent DeBoer played a fine defensive game while Maunders and Jendersee led in rebounding with 19 and 14 rebounds respectively.

WRESTLING

SCHEDULE

Dec. 10	Mt. Vernon
14	Lincoln Loggers
19	Tournament at Lake Andes
21	Woonsocket
28	Tournament at Mt. Vernon
29	Platte*
Jan. 4	Avon*
14	Wagner
21	White Lake*
23	Lake Andes
Feb. 1	Lincoln Loggers*
2	Woonsocket*
8	Mt. Vernon*
12-13	Region Tournament-Wagner

* Home matches

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CHRISTMAS

WISHES

Mr. Kruse: paper staff that gets their articles in on time.

Mr. Wagner: a wig

Mrs. Keith: a miniture violin case.

Mr. Kluksdahl; a nice new school building.

Mr. Wilson: all our things left in storage.

Mrs. Schulz: nice weather and no icy roads.

Mrs. Meidl: a better anatomy class.

Mr. Eitemiller: a bigger violin case--preferrably a cello case.

Mr. Droppers: peace and quiet--on second thought, a white tie to go with my red socks.

Mr. Billars: good-will, and respect of all the people I work with.

Miss Cundiff: always has what she wants.

Mr. Dreitlow: money--preferrably in \$100 and \$1000.

Mr. Henthorne: a new chalkboard.

Mr. Kulhavy: pneumatic hammer.

Pat: the Thursday before the paper comes out that Mr. Kruse isn't in a bad mood.

Karen: not another play

Margie: a six month vacation.

Kay: my own personal Santa Claus.

Merlin: a car.

Joe: a blonde, 5'8"--good looking.

Marilyn H.: a black and yellow Chevy.

Peggy: ability not to be in a bad mood.

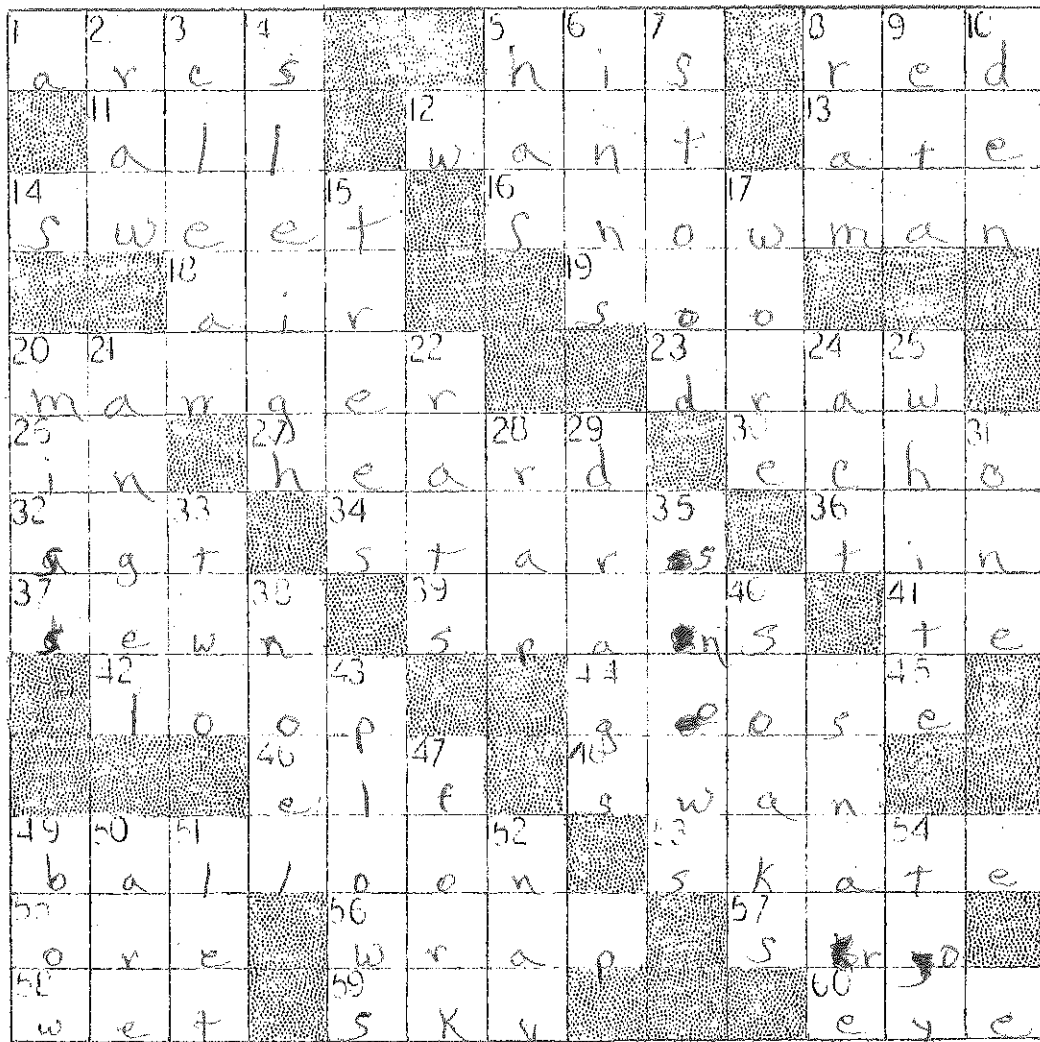
Nancy: Cromie Cleaner.

Gary O.: a new car.

Carla: Clearasil.

Mother: Joe, what's all that noise in the pantry?

Joe: I'm fighting temptation.



ACROSS

- 1x Parts of a circle
- 5x Belonging to him
- 8x Color of Santa's suit
- 11x "O come, --- ye faithful"
- 12x "That's what I _____ for Christmas."
- 13x Dined
- 14x Sugary
- 16x Frosty, the _____
- 18x Atmosphere around us
- 19x _____ Canal Locks
- 20x "Away in the _____."
- 23x Make a picture.
- 26x "...and a partridge _____ a pear tree."
- 27x "I _____ the bells on Christmas Day."
- 30x Sound that returns
- 32x Sergeant (abbr.)
- 34x "Above thy deep and dreamless sleep, The silent _____ go by."
- 36x Metal used for cans.
- 37x Stitched
- 39x Reaches across
- 41x Thomas Edison (abbr.)

- 42x Part of a bow
- 44x Mother
- 46x One of Santa's Helpers
- 48x Trumpeter
- 49x Toy that floats in air
- 53x Glide on ice
- 55x Metal dug in a mine
- 56x Put paper around a gift
- 57x Standing room only (abbr.)
- 58x Moist
- 59x "Not a cloud in the _____"
- 60x Organ of sight

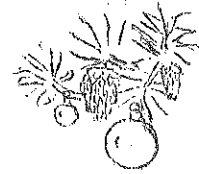
DOWN

- 2x Uncooked
- 3x Freshly washed
- 4x "O what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open _____"
- 5x Owns
- 6x Hotels
- 7x Remained on his feet
- 8x Sheep
- 9x Estimated time of arrival (abbr.)
- 10x Where a bear hibernates
- 15x Firs and cedars
- 17x Had on, as a coat

- 20x Young woman or girl
- 21x "The first Noel the _____ did say."
- 22x Rodents
- 24x Take part in a play
- 25x "I'm Dreaming of a _____ Christmas."
- 28x Knock
- 29x Pulls along
- 31x No. of partridges in "Twelve Days of X-mas"
- 33x No. of turtle doves in "Twelve Days..."
- 35x Blizzards
- 38x Christmas (abbr.)
- 40x Leaves clothes in water
- 43x Remove snow from roads
- 45x Net or trap
- 47x Eating utensil
- 49x Package decoration
- 50x "We Three Kings of Orient _____"
- 51x "God rest ye merry gentlemen, _____ nothing you dismay."
- 52x Old form of "no"
- 54x Plaything



DECEMBER



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1 Bodles (away) Betty Crocker Tests	2	3	4 Wagner (home)	5
6	7	8	9  Mr. Eiteniller Salle Reimutz	10 WRESTLING Mt. Vernon (Away)	11	12 ACT TESTS
13	14 WRESTLING Linc. Loggers (There)	15 Sports Assembly Armour (Away)	16	17  Dorita Koster	18 White Lake (Away)	19 WRESTLING TOURNAMENT L. Andes
20  Jim Spoons	21 WRESTLING Woonsocket (Away)  Chase Heber	22 Christmas Concert at 8 p.m.	23 Christmas Vacation Starts	24	25 Christmas Day Happy Birthday Karon Muckey	26
27	28 WRESTLING TOURNAMENT Mt. Vernon (Away)	29	30 	31	HAPPY NEW YEAR 	TO THE WORLD 1971 MAY THIS YEAR BE A BLESSING TO ALL



"Listen, Ed, they're playing our song."

NEWS FLASH!

The Corsica High School Music Department will be on the air over radio station WNAX at 9:30 P.M. December 24. They will be presenting a half hour of vocal and instrumental Christmas music.

Tune in and hear yourselves, your friends and your neighbors as other schools will be on during that evening and the next day.

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