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## Life of Washington.

George Washington was born on a farm near Virginia. The brown tobacco fields stretching about it. Passersby often stopped here. They were never sent away.

Mr. Washington was a man who had negro servants to do his work. George's mother was a kind gentle woman. His father died when he was eleven years old. His two elder brothers were sent to school. But there was not enough money for George to go so he had to go to school in Virginia. He liked to read books. He could shoot well, jump far and run fast. One day his father gave him a box of tools for his birthday—a hammer a saw and a hatchet. George tried them on every thing to see if they were good. He went to the orchard with his hatchet when he saw that the gardner was not there. He took his hatchet and tried it to see if it would cut down a tree. The hatchet was sharp and he cut down his father's favorite cherry tree. He went and hid behind the barn. Soon his father came walking through the orchard. He saw the tree then he cried, "Who cut down my cherry tree?" George did not answer. Soon he called again. Then George said I will not be a coward, I will go and tell him. He went and said to his father, "I cut it down with my new hatchet that you gave me." Mr. Washington was glad he did not tell a lie.

One day while Gerorge was

playing with his comrades, he said to them, "If you boys will help me bridle that colt I will ride it." The boys agreed with him. They chased it around the pasture. Soon they got it in a corner they got the bridle on. George jumped on his back. The colt did not like to have the boy on his back. It tried every way to throw the boy off its back. At last he fell down on his head and was dead. Though George had a rough ride he won the battle. He felt very sorry that he killed it for it was his mother's favorite colt. The boys told him not to tell his mother. But George went to his mother and told her the whole story. His mother was sorry he killed the colt but she was glad that George did not lie.

When Lord Fairfax came to Virginia George liked him very well. He bought four hundred acres of land. George Washington surveyed it all.

George Washington was a general in the Revolutionary war. Though he was beaten before he tried with all his might. When the British were in Philadelphia. He took his cannons and shot about it for two weeks at last the British gave up. They were glad enough to sail away with the few ships that were left. This was the first war Washington and his army had won.

After the Revolutionary war was over Washington hoped that he could go back to Mount Vernon to live the rest of his days. But in two years time he was elected president. He went to

New York where the capital of the United States was at that time and there was made president. He would have gladly escaped from being president but he was true to his country. He died at his home in Mount Vernon. Many people of France mourned with the American people.

MARIE VAN DER LINDEN.  
5th Grade.

## Description of Corsica.

Seven years ago Corsica was nothing but a corn field. A railroad was built from Armour, coming thru this part of the country and Corsica was started. It made rapid progress from the start. There are now about four hundred people in Corsica. It contains a large school house, two churches and nearly all kinds of business houses. The school house contains four rooms and there are four teachers. The town has cement sidewalks. Corsica is well protected against fire by a good water system. Corsica has only lost one large building by fire, that being a livery barn, which has never been rebuilt. Corsica has had four celebrations since its beginning and each has been a grand success. Nearly every year they have had a good ball team. They also have a good firemen's team tho not fast enough to take part in the fireman's tournament. Next year on the 17th day of August Corsica will be seven years old. It has grown faster than Stickney, its rival, of the same age.

CLAYTON CARY.  
11th Grade.

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### A Word About The Corsica Reporter

This paper is controlled and operated largely by the pupils of the Corsica schools and aims to set forth in a clear and concise manner the events which take place at the school and to serve as an interesting and educational diversion from the regular and sometimes monotonous daily grind of books and studies.

It is hoped that the publication of such a paper will bring pupils and parents into closer touch with one another, especially in matters which pertain to the schools.

The paper is supported by the funds received for advertisements and for subscriptions. It is hoped the advertisements will be read as well as the rest of the paper, and that the merchants who advertise will be given the benefit thereof.

It is planned to publish the paper once every two weeks. For subscription price and advertising rates, see the business manager. Any articles of local interest especially of school interest, are cordially solicited.

(SIGNED.) S. J. DALEY,  
Principal.

### Current Events.

No. 1. Finances of South Dakota State Treasurer make a call for outstanding warrants—January Disbursements.

No. 2. February 19th. St. Paul opera house burnt down, with loss of \$150,000. 1 man killed, and 1 injured by falling from a ladder.

No. 3. February 19th. Attorney general Wickersham invaded LaFollette's territory to confer with Taft's leaders, in an effort to capture the state for Taft.

No. 4. February 20th. Taft sends to congress report of employers liability law with his approval.

No. 5. Nankin, China. The national assembly elected Yuan Shi Kai, president of the republic, the first president of China and have decided to make Nankin the capital. Yuan Shi Kai was the last premier under the Manchu rule and had much to do with bringing peace.

OLLIE MULLENBURG,  
5th Grade.

### The Lost Ring.

It was on Monday afternoon, when Irene's mother said, "Irene, to-morrow will be your sixteenth birthday, wont it." "Yes mamma," said Irene.

Monday forenoon Irene and her mother were busy baking for Irene's party. Part of the time Irene was busy writing out invitations to her friends. In the afternoon all of Irene's friends came, each brought her a pretty present.

Her father and mother gave her a ring. Katherine, her friend, wanted to wear it, and Irene let her.

While the girls were at the party they had a splendid time. At four o'clock luncheon was served.

It was six o'clock when the girls went home. They all told Irene they had a very nice time. When the girls were about home, Irene said, "Mamma, Katherine forgot to give me my

ring, and I suppose she will not think of it till she gets home."

When Katherine got home her mother asked her where she had gotten her ring. She said, "why that is Irene's, she let me wear it, and I forgot to give it back to her."

That evening when Katherine went to bed she put the ring in her what-not so she would not lose it, but in the morning she forgot about the ring. About eight o'clock that morning Esther, Katherine's sister, came into Katherine's room, and looked in her what-not. She saw the ring and thought it would be very nice for her to wear, so she put the ring on, and went out to play. Katherine did not see her. In the afternoon Katherine went to get the ring, and take it to Irene, but when she looked in her what-not it was not there. She went down to the sitting-room where her mother was sewing, and she said, "Mother have you seen Irene's ring? I put it in my what-not last night, and it is not there now." Here mother said, "No I have not seen it since last night." Then Katherine ask Esther if she had seen it. Esther said, "No I have not." Katherine began to get worried. She went up stairs again, but it was not there. Katherine did not know that Esther had had it that morning, and lost it when she was playing.

Katherine went over to Irene's home that day. When Irene saw her coming she was very glad for she thought Katherine was bringing her ring. When Katherine got there she said, "Irene, I am very sorry your ring is lost. I put it in my what-not last night, but it is gone now." Irene was also very sorry. Both of the girls went over to Katherine's home to try to find the ring. But in vain. Katherine, ask Esther again if she had not seen the ring. Esther said, "Ye-e-e-s, I took it from your what-not this morning, and lost it while I was playing." "Why didn't you tell me that this morning?" Asked Katherine. Esther did not say any thing. Irene and Katherine looked for the ring. But in vain. Both of the girls were very sorry.

Esther began to save her money from that day on. On Irene's next birthday Esther gave her a ring just like the one she had lost.

CORA E. STOLT,  
7th Grade.

### George Washington's Boyhood.

When George was a boy his father died. They were left with a wise mother. They lived on a plantation, something like a large farm with negro slaves to do the work.

George Washington's oldest brothers were sent to England to school but there was not enough money to send George to England. So George went to school in Virginia. He could shoot very well and was very strong.

George had a brother whose name was Lawrence Washington. He wanted him to know something about school. He used to say to him "a boy should know books as well as the gun."

A noble man from England came to live near by. He had land there. Washington liked him very much. Lord Fairfax was his name. He wanted his land surveyed. George had taken the study. He was very brave. Lord Fairfax asked him to survey it. Washington did it. He was not afraid of the Indians. Lord Fairfax knew this. By and by he brought the maps to Lord Fairfax. Lord Fairfax paid him. He had learned to do good work. The French were taking English land. They wanted to tell them but needed a brave man. Washington was brave so they asked him. The forests had no paths in them but Washington was brave. He got there safe with the message. The French told him they would not get off though they were very polite in saying it. Washington was very fond of games. The boys liked him. When they played soldier he was captain. Afterwards when he was a man he was captain of some of his friends.

Washington was brave and honest. He was our first president. He fought in the Revolutionary war and won. We all honor him for that.

MARTHA NIEVEEN,  
4th Grade.

The entire school took examination last week.

Washington's birthday is being kept as a school holiday.

The surprise party on Albert Lammke was well attended.

The girls of the high school are planning on organizing a basket ball team.

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### Bear Hunting.

Says Johnnie to Willie,  
let's go hunting today,  
Says Willie to Johnnie, bear  
hunting I say!  
So Willie gets his popgun,  
Johnnie gets his pistol,  
Says Willie to Johnnie,  
We'll make the bullets whistle.  
So Johnnie and Willie  
Walk off to the wood,  
And carry their weapons,  
as hunters should.  
From behind a stump,  
Says Johnnie to Willie,  
I see a bear.  
Johnnie and Willie take good aim,  
Pop goes the popgun,  
Crack goes the pistol,  
Says Johnnie and Willie,  
We made the bullets whistle  
Willie runs and picks up the hare.  
Carries it home and says,  
Papa! papa! we shot a bear.  
HENRY LAMMERS,  
FRANK DEN BESTE.  
8th Grade.

Nettie Van der Linden is organist of the high school pupils.

Nelson Jordan has returned to school after a short absence.

Fine weather has brought the boys out to playing ball again.

The O. O. T. club was organized lately by some of the high school girls.

The guests were all present at the surprise party on Clark Culver last Thursday evening. All reported a good time to the hostess.

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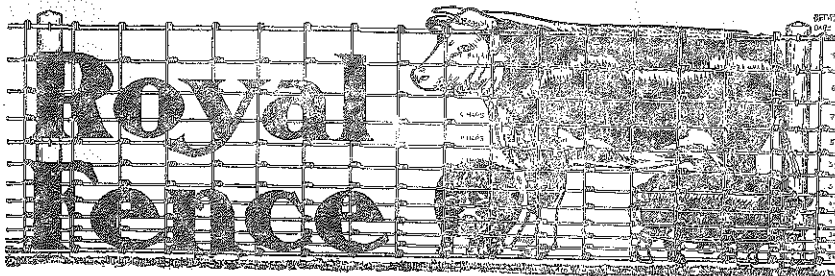
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