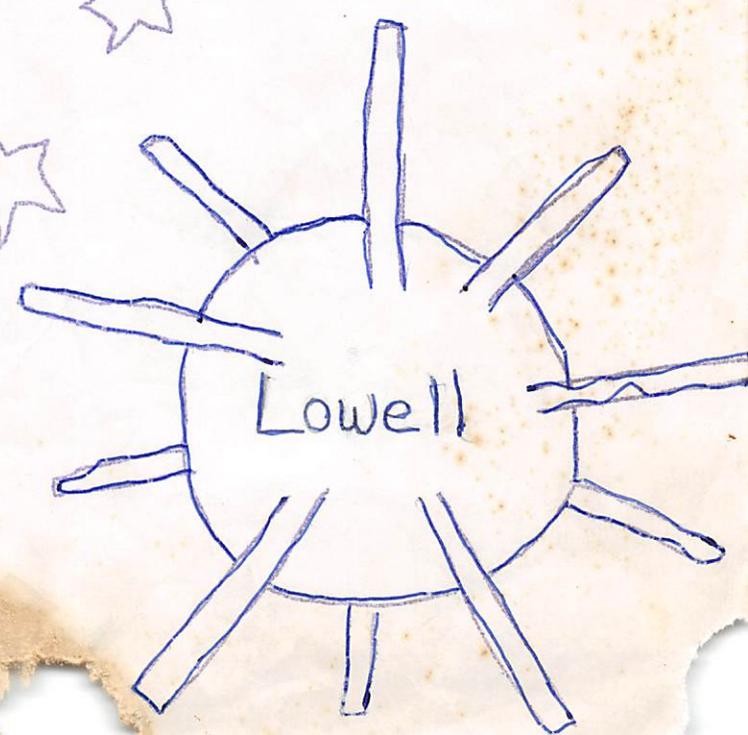
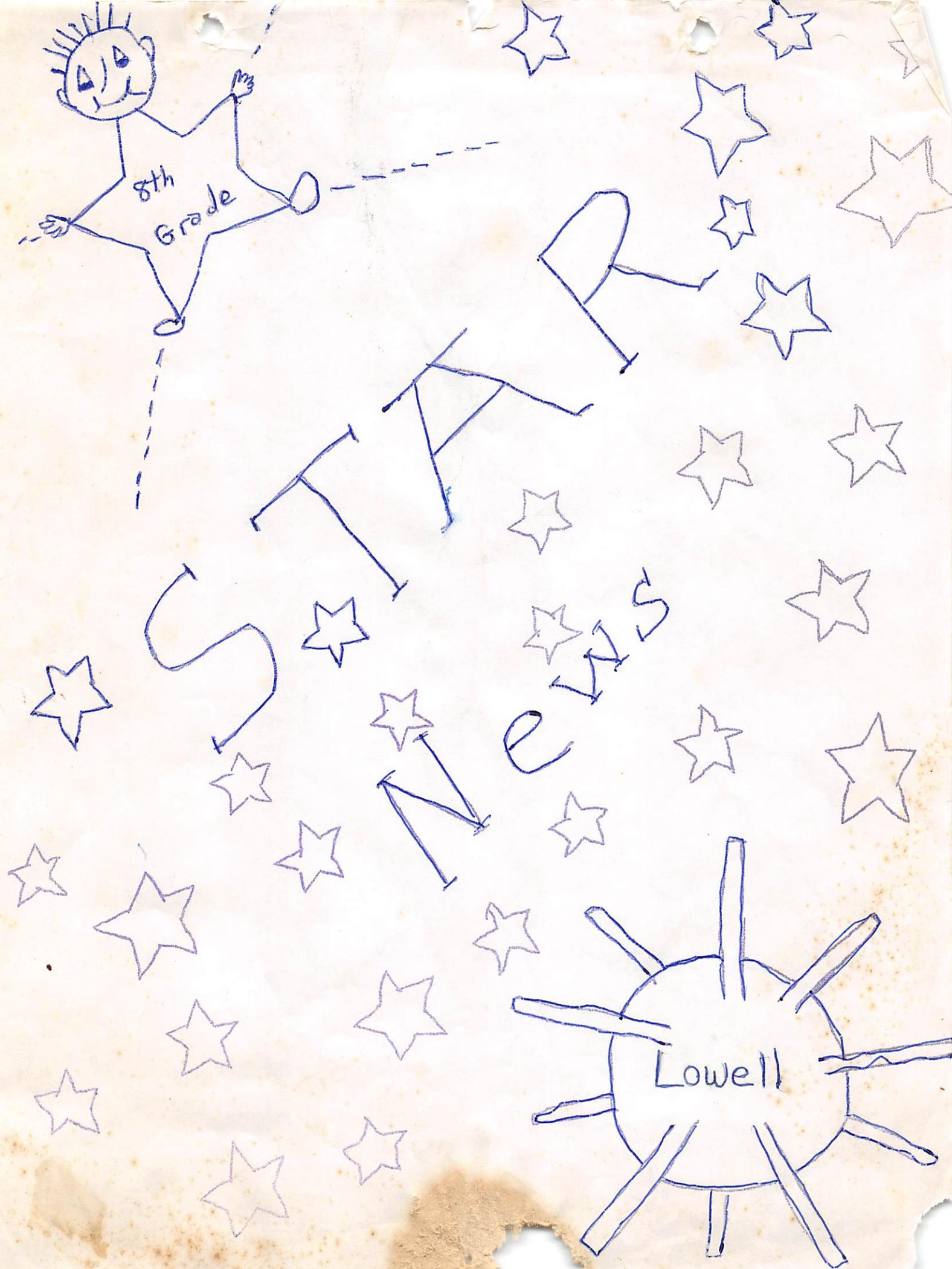


8th
Grade

STAR
NEWS



Lowell



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We, the eighth graders would like to dedicate this paper to the future children who follow in our footsteps. And also the teacher who have helped us throughout the years.





THIS WEEK'S NEWS March 23, 1959

ON MARCH 20th we had a half day of school.

RACHEL STONGE and DENNIS Field were absent from school on the 23rd of March on account of illness.

We will have a half day on Good Friday

The sun shone brightly and it thawed some of the snow

The seventh grade gave reports on books they read.

In case of a fire in the hot lunch room, we practiced a fire drill - on the 25th of this month.

The eighth grade recently made maps of The First World War, Some made reports on Helen Keller, History of the Hawaiian Islands, The Sound of Freedom and The First World War.

Robert Morse made a chart of the Presidents from Abraham Lincoln to Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The seventh grade made maps of The Lands from which our Forefathers came.

The following were elected for this school paper editor Ethel Powers, News editor Phillip Sheltra, Sports editor Dwight Richardson, Humor editor Sharon Bonneau, Literary editor, Sherrill Hodgeman, Art editor Dianne Pion

The following got a hundred in spelling: Dennis Field, Phillip Sheltra, Dwight Richardson, Sherrill Hodgeman, Donald Willey, Dianne Pion, Lynette LaBlance, Sharon Bonneau.

The rest got the following: Rachel Stonge 70, Rose McCallister 85, 6, Grassette 95, Robert Morse 95, Ethel P

Phillip Sheltra



Alaska and Hawaii

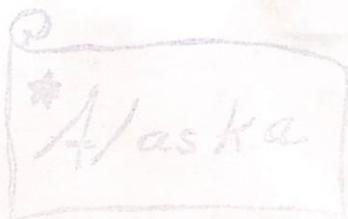


Alaska has just become our 49th state. It is our largest state with about 128,643 people living there. Alaska is still new and has room for many more people. Fertile valleys await farmers. It has natural resources of gold and other minerals, salmon, furs and forests.

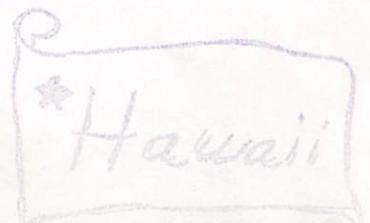
Alaska is an important defense outpost and a vital crossroad of air transportation. The Al-aska Highway built across Canada providing a land route to the United States.

Hawaii has become our 50th state. It is composed of eight islands out in the Pacific Ocean. It is a wonderful vacation place and tourists are sometimes called it's third industry. The Hawaiian Islands are famous for their beauty and year round summer climate. The Islands have been called "Paradise of the Pacific".

Here is the great United States navel base of Pearl Harbor where in 1941 the Japanese attacked and drew us into the Second World War.



by



You, A Citizen of America

One who is really a good citizen will find a greater amount of happiness in life than the poor citizen.

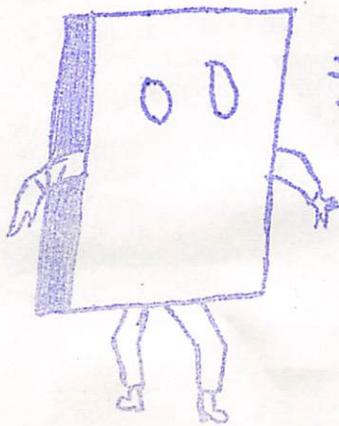
A democratic form of government will be successful only insofar as its citizens are well informed and able to vote wisely for the good of ALL. It follows that, in assuming your duties as a citizen, you will take an active part in the affairs of your local community, your state, and your nation. You will co-operate with other members of the community in making it a desirable place in which to live. You will be loyal to your country and seek to perform efficiently and well your various duties whatever they may be.

Another way to look at your duties as a citizen is finding satisfaction in one's work. The pleasure of any work is increased if its importance to others is fully appreciated.

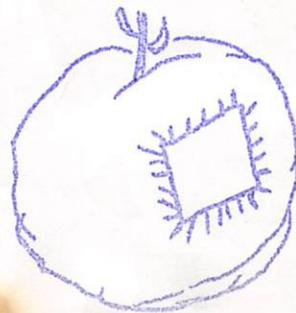


This is well illustrated by the story of the three men who were cutting stones at the side of a road. Grogged the first: "I'm breaking rock," Growled the second: "I'm making a living." Smiled the third: "I'm building a cathedral." The third man was finding genuine satisfaction in his work.

In every store, shop, factory, office, and school you are likely to find some workers whose attitudes toward their jobs correspond to those of these three men. There is no more trying work than that of the soldier in trenches or the sailor on war duty. Few people would voluntarily choose such work for their own pleasure, but many young persons volunteered during the last war because the freedom of their country, for their families and themselves, was worth such a prize. They had keen satisfaction in giving the needed services.



GOOD
CITIZENS
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YOU
CAN STILL
PATCH YOUR
CITIZENSHIP

Now that we have taken a good look
at you as a citizen, and some of the things
which make a good citizen, let's look at
some of the ways we get this training.
Training in good habits of citizenship is
one of the major purposes of our schools.
This training is given through emphasis
on good conduct that is provided in all
classes of the school.

Let's all see what kind of
citizens we can be, to ourselves, our
school, our community, our state, and
to our nation.

by
Ethel Powers



Let's grow to
be good clean
citizens.

Better Co-operation Makes Better Citizens

Good citizenship begins at home and in the school.

At home when your mother or father asks you to do a chore, do you do it as neatly and quickly as possible, or do you go away somewhere and hope that they will soon forget about it?

When you are doing a chore for your mother and she tells you that you are not doing it correctly, you should not sulk around and say that you'll do it your way or not at all; you should ask your mother or father how to do the task correctly and cheerfully begin again.

Everyone should co-operate with the teachers in school. The teacher usually has a genuine interest in your welfare and is doing his or her best to prepare you for your later life.

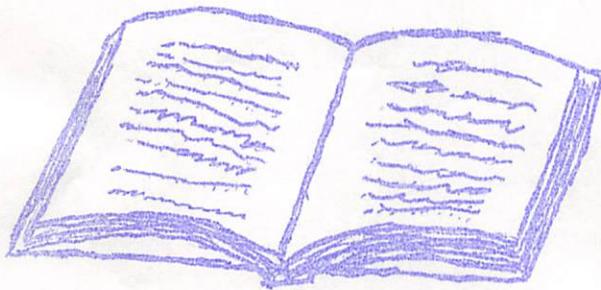
We must pay attention and keep alert in class or we will never learn anything. It is bad citizenship to play around and whisper in school. It is also very poor manners.

Our teachers are doing their best to prepare us for our future life and they can do this only with full co-operation from everyone.

What we are as citizens today in our youth will influence us greatly in our adult life.

Everyone should co-operate to help make his life
and the lives of people around him better and
happier through the years.

Sherrill Hodgeman





THINK AND GRIN



Teacher: "John can you tell me where the Red Sea is?"

John: "Yes, its on the third line of my report card."

Terry: "I saw some cops chase a crook. through a store."

Terry: "Did he get caught?"

Terry: "No, he stepped on a scale and got a weight."

You can tell a Freshman by his eager looks!

You can tell a Sophomore cause he carries two more books.

You can tell a Junior by his dashing looks and such

You can tell a Senior, but, boy! You can't tell him much.

Joe: "Bet you a dollar I've got the hardest name in the world."

Moe: "Okay, what's your name?"

Joe: "Stone."

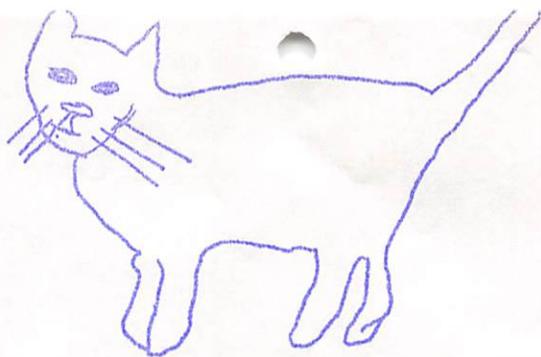
Moe: "Pay me. My name's Harder."

Teacher: "When do the leaves begin to turn?"

Student: "The night before a test."



By Sharon Bonneau



As I awoke one morning, as happy as could be
I heard a cheerful robin singing merrily
He did not know, nor seem to care
What was approaching him.
But as he struck a high note
Around the corner came a great big black pussy
To bring his morning feed cat
And there on a branch not far above
A robin he could see
He knew he must make no noise
For it would fly away, and his tasty dish
Would be gone
When I saw the big black cat
I did not know what to do
But luck was with the beautiful bird
Because he flew away into the blue sky
The cat lost the bird but it didn't seem to
care
Because he seemed to sense spring was
in the air.

by Rose McAllister

LAKE CHAMPLAIN HAS A BIRTHDAY

EVERY TIME I THINK OF LAKE CHAMPLAIN, I THINK OF SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN. LAKE CHAMPLAIN WAS DISCOVERED IN 1609.

IT HAS A LENGTH OF 110 MILES, AND A WIDTH OF FROM 1 TO 13 MILES. WHEN CHAMPLAIN DISCOVERED IT, IT WAS A BATTLE-FIELD FOR TWO TRIBES OF INDIANS, THE ALGONQUINS, AND THE IROQUOIS. IT WAS ALSO A GOOD FISHING AND HUNTING GROUND FOR THE INDIANS THROUGHOUT VERMONT.

THIS JULY 4, LAKE CHAMPLAIN WILL CELEBRATE ITS 350TH BIRTHDAY IN MEMORY OF ITS FATHER SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN.



BY DONALD WILLEY

Why I plan To Go To High-school

This year, if I pass, is my last year of Graded school. I plan to go to Sacred Heart High School IN Newport City.

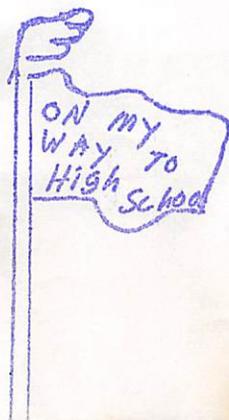
This school is taught by NUNS.

When I first get to high school, I hope to meet children my own age, and meet my new teachers

IN High-school I hope to take up different subjects such subjects as Arithmetic, Spelling, English, Religion and French.

High school Education Will help me to get a better job IN the years to come.

High-school Education would give me much more out of Life.



by Rachel ST. ONge



Spring



Spring is a time everyone looks forward to. The snow starts to go away, the trees have buds and the flowers start to grow.

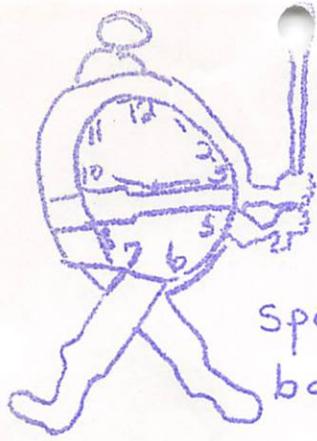
For farmers find it is time to tap the trees to make maple sugar. The horses are harnessed and the maple sugar house is ready. The horses are eager to work after a long winter. The sun is shining with a little breeze in the air.

Children dread having to go to school. Having to sit in the stuffy school house all day waiting for the minute they will go out to play.

Everyone seems to be happy in spring, the plants, the animals and especially the people. People say there is no time like it. The birds arrive from the south and look for a place to build their nest. I am sure everyone will agree with me that spring is the best time of the year.



by
Gynette LeBlanc



We have played three different sports this year so far. They were baseball, basketball, and football.

Most of the boys have taken part in one or all of these sports. Although we may not know all the rules and our play is not exactly professional, we still have a lot of fun.

Some of the boys are looking forward to playing baseball, if the snow ever leaves and warm weather comes.

Sports I Enjoy

One of the sports that I like to play is baseball. It is played on a diamond-like field. You have nine players on each side; four bases, first, second, third, and home plate. You have a catcher, pitcher, first, second, third, basemen and an umpire. It is played outdoors in the late spring and all through summer.

by Dwight Richardson



Deer Hunting

Robert Morse

Last year I asked my father if I could go deer hunting with him. He said "O.K." and we went down and got me a license.

The next day there was school. He said I couldn't go that day. When he got up the next morning I asked again. He said alright, so I went and got my gun and bullets. Then I made a little lunch and we started off.

We went on a back road until we came to a little apple orchard. We went down to it and looked for tracks. There were and they were fresh.

So my father went down to the north end of the orchard and I went to the south end.

I didn't get very far when I heard a noise. I stopped and looked. Coming right toward me was a spike horn buck. I took a good aim and fired. He fell and I ran over where he was. He was dead. I called to my father and told him the good news and he came running.

After we had reported him we dressed it. Its weight was 170 LBS. dressed.

I had more fun that day than school I ever knew and more the next day telling my friends all about it.

SUGARING IN Vermont

Vermont is one of the leading states that produce Maple sugar. Thousands of gallons are produce each year. ITS quality IS CONSIDERED better than it is in other States.

This is the time OF year when Sugar-Makers are getting ready For sugaring. First they break into the sugarplace and then they tap the trees to get the Sap From them and then boil it down to Sirup or sugar.

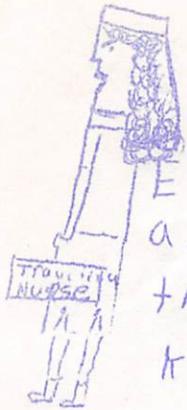
When the pail is Full it is emptied into huge gathering tanks.

We are grateFULL to the Indians For Teaching the early settlers the method of tapping trees and boiling the Sap down to make sugar

By DENNIS FIELD



MY DREAM COMING TRUE



EVER since I was old enough to talk I always talked about nursing. I thought that watching people get well and knowing I had a part in it would be wonderful.

But of course I always wanted to travel, touring the United States and also foreign countries. But I've found the ANSWER. I think that when I finish high school I can go and enlist in the Waves. That way I can get my travel and perhaps also my training NURSES, how the country needs more nurses. What would they do if war broke out and there was no one to take care of our soldiers? Even if the ones in the country volunteered there still would need more.

So that's my dream but however probably I'll let it slip away because like many other girls I'd like also to be someone more important than a nurse, someone who always gets her name in the papers.



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The House on the Hill

Who lives in the old gray house?
Away upon the hill
Is it a person or is it a beast?
I just can't seem to tell
What he eats or what he stays there for
It is a mystery to be solved by some detective
fare
I must go to the house some day
And find who lives in there
And if it is a person old and gray
I'll ask him if I might spend the day
But if a beast I would not want to spend
Even an hour or so
I would go as fast as I could
And not return again
But I think I will wait until
I find a friend who likes mysteries
And then we will soon solve
What goes on in the house on the hill



by
Rose Mc Allister

THE April Fools Joke

Today was the first day of April. I had forgotten all about it being April fools day. I got up this morning and I couldn't find my shoes. Someone had left a letter on the foot of my bed saying, "If you want to find your shoes look behind the door."

I looked behind the door they weren't there. I looked high and low for those shoes.

Finally I went down stairs and asked my mother if she knew where my shoes were. She said, "why no dear, I haven't seen your shoes."

I asked my father he said, "I don't know where your shoes are." Nobody seem to know where my shoes were.

I finally gave up when I walked my sister saying, "Have you been looking for these?"

I said, "How did you get my shoes?" OH! she said, "I took them while you were asleep."

Well, I guess that's an April fools joke on me.



Dianne Pion