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The Senior Class Organizes

We Seniors held our first meeting of the year on September 19th, with Mrs. Slife as our advisor. The meeting was called for the current year. Robert Iden was elected president; Catherine Switzer, vice-president; Joan Simpson, secretary; and James Sherlock, treasurer.

We are planning a weiner roast with the seniors of Magadore High. Everyone is looking forward to a grand and glorious time. We hope to make this year the biggest and best of our high school career.

The seniors have a good representation on the football squad. Among them are Arthur Held, Herbert La Morder, Harry Greenlese, Robert Iden, James Sherlock, Earl Ankeny, Irvin Weiland, and Laverne Baptiste.

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Junior Class Organizes

The junior class reorganized September 8, with last year's president, Janet Richards, presiding. The following officers were elected: Jack Kinney, president; Virginia Meyers, vice-president; Rhoda Goff, secretary and treasurer.

Meetings of the class are to be held twice a month.

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Let's Subscribe

Last year Springfield subscribed almost unanimously to the Sprag. This year there should be more subscribers; it should be unanimous with no almosts. Last year our paper was in the trial stage; now we have had a little more experience. If everyone will help, the Sprag should be the best paper in the county.

Next Friday Springfield will play Norton in Football. Everyone who can possibly be there will try to help Springfield beat Norton. At present Norton is reputed to have the best school paper in Summit county. Let's all back Springfield in the competition with Norton in regard to newspaper work as well as to football.

The business manager is taking advantage of elections to help you get your Sprag at a cheaper rate. We are going to run the political ads in this and the next issue. With the increased revenue you will be able to save money.

The subscription price will be twenty-five cents a year. Please pay as soon as possible to your home room teacher. The Sprag will give to the first 100% room either five dollars for their treasury or five dollars for a picture for the room. Who is going to be 100% first?

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Editor-in-chief.....Robert Iden
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 Sophomore Reporter.....?
 Freshmen Reporter.....?
 Eighth Grade Reporter...?
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 Mr. Howard

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Sprag History

The Springfield high school paper was founded in the middle of February 1931. No definite date can be stated. Mr. Cady inspired the school with the idea and gradually, through Miss Binet's help, our paper came into being.

The first staff was chosen by the faculty, after editorials and budgets were turned in by prospective candidates.

Then came the subscription drive, conducted in the form of a contest with a banner given to the first class with all members subscribers. The sophomore boys won easily and were presented with an attractive maroon and gray banner. Stephen Routh of this class was the first subscriber to the paper.

About this same time another contest was going forward. This was the important duty of choosing a name for our brain-child. The name selected had been turned in anonymously, so the treasury saved a dollar.

The name "Sprag" stands for Springfield's Red and Gray. The word means to support and keep from sliding back. It applies only to Springfield.

This is the history of your paper. Whether its name will mean an enviable paper depends on you. If you take the trouble to subscribe and the time to write for it, it will succeed. If you sit back and let somebody else do it, it will probably fail.

Our New School

With the acquisition of the fine new building, life for Springfield high school students has turned another corner. The path ahead presents to us a most promising view of the future, with all the courses and developments that will be made possible when our equipment is complete. Our new school bears the same relation to Springfield township as the new airship bears to the city of Akron. Our pride is quite as justifiable.

No-one in Akron, I am sure would think of destroying or harming the airship; but rather will each individual seek its preservation. Should the perfection of our building not inspire us to keep it as nearly intact as possible? There will necessarily be deterioration of a kind, but let us not hasten that by marking on the desks, damaging walls, and destroying property. As it has been the work of the township to possible this excellent building, it is the duty of each student to preserve that building.

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The Struggle Is Over

Just what it is all about, some of you are perhaps wondering. The trouble is over. Soon the juniors will be strutting around in their new sweaters. The gleaming colors are scarlet and gray. Was it a fight? Yes! But it's all over now and the results are wonderful. Now you must just all sit back and wait patiently until we bring them on.

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 SEE ANYTHING WRONG? "H" WEEK?

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Haromano as an Incentive

The Haromano club should be an incentive for all girls of the high school toward better scholarship. This is the only girls' club in the high school and it is recognized as an active organization. This is proved by the invitation the club receives in the spring from the Girl Reserves to attend the assembly and banquet held in the Y.W.C.A. building. It is a joint conference which is held by the Girl Reserves, Y.W.C.A., Y.M.C.A., and the Hi-Y Clubs. At this joint conference in the afternoon is the large assembly followed by the "round table discussion". Later in the evening is the banquet and dance.

This club was organized in order to promote higher scholarship and higher ideals, and to place the social standards of Springfield high school upon a higher plane. It also aspires to promote more and better friendships among all the girls.

The Haromano club has, as have all regular organizations, the customary officers: the president, vice-president, secretary, assistant secretary, and treasurer. At present Haromano has two very capable advisors in Miss Whalen and Mrs. Slife. Miss Whalen is one of our charter members. Mrs. Slife was invited by the club. The "big problems" are taken to them and they always help to find solutions.

Any sophomore, junior, or senior with a general average of 85% for the preceding semester is eligible. That does not necessarily mean that a girl should strive for only 85%, for the girl in the entire high school who, at the end of the school year, has the highest average of all the girls will get her name engraved on the Haromano cup along with the year and percentage. Anyone who looks at the trophy case in the activity room can see this cup. There is only one name on it at present, that of Gladys Palmer of the class of '30. The name for the year '31 has not yet been chosen. The Haromano club is a very active organization and is a great incentive for all girls of the high school.

added, due to the confusion of moving into our new high school. That will be taken care of later in the year.

The various social activities of Haromano are interesting. At for mal initiation there is always a big dinner followed by entertainment from the talented members of the club. At Christmas the club has a rather elaborate party. For Mother's day the club has a party for the girls and their mothers. Then to wind things up in the spring, a big dinner and theater party! This is always the final party of the club for the school term.

The first meeting of the club for the current year was held at the home of Marion Markle, Tuesday evening September 29th.

Three alumnae members were present: Anne Gilbloom, Mildred Campbell, and Marion Ewing. After the business meeting, cards were played and delicious refreshments were served by Miss Markle.

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Hi-Y Meeting

The first meeting of the Hi-Y was held Thursday October 8th. A talk was given by Mr. Cady and a letter read from Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz, parents of our 1st sponsored member (Galen Kurtz). Thanking the club for its donation to flowers.

Election of officers was held. The following were elected: Irvin Wisland, president; James Perry, vice-president; Jack Lennox, treasurer; Robert Iden, Secretary.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 13.

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JOJO Graham
 CONSTABLE
 ON HIS FIRST RECORD

New Teachers

Springfield boasts of three new teachers this year, making a total of nine on our faculty.

Mr. David D. Howard, of Delaware, Ohio, is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan. He is instructor of commercial subjects and economics.

We also have Mr. Dwight J. Meyers, who comes from Strasburg, Ohio, and is a graduate of Kent State College. While at Kent State, he was student assistant in biology, an honor which only one from each class may receive. He teaches biology, American history, and high school geography.

We are especially proud to have with us this year, Miss Thelma Mitchell, a graduate of Akron University, who teaches eighth grade.

Mrs. Reed is a new high school teacher, but an old acquaintance, as she taught in Snywood eighth grade for the past two years. Mrs. Reed is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University. She teaches first and second year English.

The Reporters (?)

Timid, no, lets hope not. Talented, sure everybody has some sort of a knack for writing something of interest to the public. Now take an inventory of yourself and decide what you're able to do. Here's your chance to develop that little knack that's just been itching to get out and be put into use. Here's how!

Wishing to make our Sprag the best paper in the county, the staff has decided to stage a contest in the various classes. Every student in high school is privileged to enter articles for the paper. He may choose any interesting to the student body, such as class functions or the different functions of the school organizations. These are to be turned in when notices are posted, and the best are selected for publication in the Sprag. In this manner the student body as a whole is responsible for the Sprag news until the reporters are appointed. Don't be afraid to turn in your editorials, as everyone has an equal

chance.

The question arises as to who is to become a reporter? The one taking the greatest interest in the in the progress of the paper by contributing suitable articles of use in the improving of the paper as a whole.

Don't consider yourself eliminated the first week, but continue working for a position until the reporters are appointed, then help them out. These will not be appointed for three or four weeks at least.

This isn't a paper which belongs to the staff and faculty. It is your paper. Every student of Springfield high school has a duty to perform in the publishing of each issue. Therefore, let's cooperate and improve our paper, which is only in its infancy. Lets us make it grow stronger with every publication. We can not do this until everyone is willing to lend his bit of talent.

Odd-

A cross-eyed camel sat on a stump, Restfully and thoughtfully stroking his hump.

He dreamed of his youth, in his throat came a lump, As he silently slapped down his tail with a thump.

"Ah me, Ah my," the old camel said, I wish I could sing a nice tune, I'd sing of the land where the Jabberlocks fed,

On Geogies they ate with a spoon. But now I am old and my eyes have grown pale,

And its time I was put on the shelf. So closing his teeth on the end of his tail,

The old camel swallowed himself.

The Call Of The Wild.

Hey! You trumped my ace!

ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 1931.

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RE-ELECT JAS. W. BOYD For COUNCILMAN Lakemore, Ohio.	ELECT GEORGE W. CLINE For MAYOR Lakemore, Ohio.	RE-ELECT DORIS KITTINGER For CLERK Lakemore, Ohio.	RE-ELECT Wm. A. ROLL CLERK SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
RE-ELECT C. E. MICHAELS For COUNCILMAN Lakemore, Ohio.	RE-ELECT A. E. (ACE) MILLER For TRUSTEE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	VOTE FOR ORVILLE G. KERR For TRUSTEE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	ELECT A. H. HOBBS EFFIE WELLS TO THE SCHOOL BOARD SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
Resident eleven yrs. Vote For W. G. (Buss) Krohmer CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	PLAY SAFE Vote For WM. W. HOUSTON CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	VOTE FOR FRED J. LITKE CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	ELECT J. R. PERRY CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
VOTE FOR R. A. ARCHER CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP You Won't Regret It	Vote For E. G. POE CONSTABLE SPRINGFIELD TWP. Residence Lakemore, Ohio.	VOTE FOR ALBERT E. BOWEN Justice of the Peace SPRINGFIELD TWP. Justice & Common sense	VOTE FOR GENERAL BURROWS Justice of the Peace Springfield Twp. Resident Lakemore, Ohio
James James E. Burley For MAYOR World War Veteran Lakemore, Ohio. Resident 10 yrs.	RE-ELECT FRANK BROWN TRUSTEE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP	IT TO PAYS ADVERTISE IN THE SPRAG	

Dear Old School Days

The purpose of going to high school is to get a higher and better education and this should be the highest ambition of every boy and girl in this country as well as other countries.

Entering high school is a new experience for the pupil. He must adapt himself to new rules of order, choose his course, settle down and get his lessons the very best way he can. Trying, alone, wins some credit.

This year we are very fortunate in having a new school, of which we are very proud.

This fall when I entered high school for the first time, I, as well as others did not know where to go or what to do. When we were finally located in our home room, we sat there all forenoon what would happen next. Finally, noon came and we "Freshies" were initiated. In the afternoon we all went to classes, looking intelligent as possible, and looking on all the doors so as not to make an error and run into the upper classmen.

We have adapted ourselves to the building now, and feel very much grown up, as we suspect they all felt when they first entered high school. We are looking forward to having lots of fun, as well as studying, so after all there is nothing like "dear old school days!"

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The Patient Patient

Doctor Slife: "Your system is poisoned. You must get rid of your teeth."

Patient: (very): "Alright, Doc. throw them away. You'll find them under the pillow."

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WATCH FOR "H" WEEK

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School Stage

Our stage has taken a dressed up appearance during the past week. In addition to the visible rich hanging, there is a rigid painted scene; also one drop scene.

There are six wing entrances and one back entrance. The two rear side entrances and the back stage entrances are controlled by pulling ropes as on a large theatre stage.

The stage will be lighted by six spot lights on the ceiling of the gym and by two portable arc lamps, such as those used on a motion picture machine. The arc lamps give a colored or a clear light. The spotlights are operated in triplots from a control box on the right side of the stage where the curtain ropes are located.

With this improvement over former Springfield stages, there should be inspiration for some unusually fine plays.

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Eighth Grade

In order to organize itself on a higher plane, the eighth grade has elected a student council for self-government.

The officers are: Pres. Mary Frances Myers, Vice Pres. Earl Leo Morris; Members, Helen Johnson, Patricia Stinnott, Richard Cliver and Jack Elliott. Their duty is to keep order on the school playground and roads.

We have organized a library for the use of the pupils. It has approximately one hundred books, which have been approved by

Miss Mitchell, Norma Shaffer, Jack Elliott, and Karl Braucher are librarians.

On October 9, we are planning a winner roast with Robert Teirter in charge. The object is to study stars for science.

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Lost (?)

Lost, somewhere between last year and this, the pop of Springfield High School.

It has not been lost permanently only mislaid.

Are you responsible for this loss? Ask yourself the question. See if you're the cause of the lack of enthusiasm at our football games.

Come on, gang! Snap into it! Let's get the old fighting spirit back and support the team with more cheering.

Shall we give dear old S.H.S. our loudest cheers and do our share in bringing home the victories? YEH

"Your Pop"

Your pop! You had it, but lost it! You're as dead as a door nail. No vitality, no interest, no spirit. Your slower than a snail.

Students of SHS we ask of you Where are your old lively stunts? Come on and poppy be as you used to what we lack in regular players. Yell instead of making grunts!

Let's restore our interest and pop And make our school better than before

Let's all yell, "Springfield!" with a big hop hop And all be poppy once more.

Girls Baseball Game

Lakoview Alligators
vs
Sawyerwood Bulldogs

Sunday at 2:00 P.M.

at the
Lakoview Field

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It Won't Be Long Now! What?

"H" Week

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Football Schedule

We, S.H.S. are hoping that the boys will finish the football season with a crash.

Here is the schedule for the rest of the year.

Come, help back up your team.

October:

9 Norton at Norton

16 Stow at Springfield

23 Peninsula at Peninsula

29 or 30 Groesburg at S.H.S.

November:

6 Coventry at S.H.S.

12 Open

Springfield, Vs. Norton

Springfield high school ball-toters leave for Norton today to make their third county debut.

Springfield is out for her second victory of the season. We are backing 5 players today; consequently, we must make up in loyal support what we lack in regular players.

Prize Winner

Hoggar: "Will you kindly give me a dime for a sandwich?"
Scotty Idem: "Sure, lets see the sandwich."

Alie. J.: Is it dangerous to drive with one hand?
PAUL M.: I'll say! More than one fellow has run into a church doing it.

Bob Dornan (to teacher): Why does Swiss have all the holes in it when Limburger needs the ventilator?

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