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On one of the buses coming home from the ice-skating party last week, there was some semi-vandalism going on. Several students were smoking, and others throwing wads of paper, and so forth, with the result that the bus was left in a messy state. This was news to me when I first heard of it at the Students' Council meeting the next day, as the bus which I was on was devoid of any such activity. In any case, this action prompted a letter of apology to the bus company from our Social Convenor, who said that she was quite embarrassed about the whole thing.

The blame rested mainly on a group of about twelve students who were reported to be engaged in these inordinate actions. It was also pointed out that there was no teacher on either bus. Lack of supervision certainly does not indicate a call to arms, with wads and fags poised for action. It has been a general rule for some time that there is no smoking on buses travelling to and from any school activity. The irresponsibility of these people may cause the bus company to turn "thumbs down" on transporting MRSSS students to and from any future social activities. Let's hope that this is not the case.

Juvenile activity such as this should not be found in a Secondary School in the first place, let alone on a Students' Council-sponsored outing.

RAMBLER EDITORIALS (continued)

In this Rambler issue, you will find an ABSOLUTELY FREE (detachable) copy of the Easter Exam timetable (revised), suitable for framing purposes, etc.

Open House held at M.R.S.S.S. last Wednesday proved to be a bit of a farce. Very few parents showed up, and those that did found no help to direct them to the various rooms. The failure of this Open House can mainly rest on lack of advertising and lack of interest. The advertising in the Gazette was almost nil, and yet this is the only "mass media" in Maple Ridge to inform the public of such an event.

Many years ago, Open House Day was a big affair at MRSSS, with interesting displays of student work. This concept has, in the past two years, been replaced by the Exposition, which reaches more people than any Open House ever has. Last Wednesday, nothing went on except the students carried on as if it were a normal school day (which it was) - I doubt if any parents would find this interesting.

Parents are also barred from talking with the teachers at any great length on Open House Day, with the result that Parent-Teacher conferences are held periodically at this school each year.

With this in mind, the question remains: Why did we have an Open House last week? Seeing that it was rather a flop, I would suggest that next year we either perk it up with a bit of properly-timed advertising, or drop it altogether, leaving the Parent-Teacher Conferences and the Exposition to act in its place.

FROM THE SENIOR MATRICS:

Club News:

A new club is being formed amongst the Senior Matrics. It is called "I.O.'s Anonvmous". All Senior Matric students wishing to join will have to take a test and fail it miserably. Only I.O.s of less than 90 will be accepted.

NOTICE

Will the thieving Grade 12s who pilfered the articles from the Conference Room please return same. (We trusted you). Namely - 1 "NO SMOKING" sign
1 Rugger ball

(In regard to the above, the following was also received last week. - Ed.)

SENIOR MATRIC CRYING SONG

Where, oh where, has your rugger ball gone?
Oh where, oh where can it be?
And you're minus one little "NO SMOKING" sign too,
So we feel so sorry for you.
- "Terrible Twelves"

(See also the literary section for more comment along this line. I believe a terrible conflict may soon ensue! - Ed.)

STUDENTS' COUNCIL REPORT

SOCIAL : The Ice Skating Party held Tuesday night, March 9, at the Coquitlam Sports Centre, brought in under \$50 to the Council (not less bus charges) The rink rental was paid by the council, making the cost of the tickets less.

The Spring Prom will be held Thursday evening, April 15, with the Nocturnals supplying the music. Students should start thinking about Prom Queen candidates.

ATHLETIC : The B.C. High School Vollevball Tournament will be held at Kelowna on April 2.

A committee has been set up to look into the renaming of the teams next year.

Sweatshirts should be here in about three weeks.

GRADE 11 EXECUTIVE : Elections were held on Thurs., Mar. 11, with Lynn Abra elected as President, Sherry Soles as Vice-President, and Donna Soles as Secretary.

MISCELLANY : A suggestion box for the Exposition has been put up by the office.

Deadline for orders of rings and pins is drawing close - see Dave Fraser if you wish to order any of the items on display in the small showcase.

TREASURY : At the meeting on Wed., Mar. 9, it was reported that there was \$751.46 available to the Students' Assn.

SEASON RECORD

Ramblers

# Maple Ridge 50	Como Lake 63
Maple Ridge 37	Chilliwack 43
Maple Ridge 71	Garibaldi 28
Maple Ridge 30	Aldergrove 22
Maple Ridge 50	Mission 60
Maple Ridge 78	Langley 41
# Maple Ridge 63	Grads 59
# Maple Ridge 41	Port Moody 31
Maple Ridge 47	Chilliwack 65
Maple Ridge 69	Garibaldi 17
Maple Ridge 39	Aldergrove 13
Maple Ridge 55	Mission 27
Maple Ridge 70	Hope 44
Maple Ridge 42	Como Lake 61

- denotes exhibition game

Intermediate Boys

Maple Ridge 12	Chilliwack 50
Maple Ridge 27	Garibaldi 25
Maple Ridge 10	Aldergrove 31
Maple Ridge 33	Mission 40
Maple Ridge 41	Langley 40
Maple Ridge 30	Garibaldi 25
Maple Ridge 33	Chilliwack 46
Maple Ridge 32	Garibaldi 40
Maple Ridge 41	Mission 58

In the official statistics of the Fraser Valley Senior High School Basketball League, the Ramblers placed second next to Chilliwack in scoring, with 552 points. The Ramblers were also the second least scored upon, with 361, and the lowest fouling team, with 103 personals. Ridge's Dave Harris placed third in scoring with 145 points, while George Allen finished with 96 points to place ninth.

The Ridge Intermediate Boys' team was the most scored upon, with 420 points. Bernie Lehman placed sixth in the scoring with 92 points.

The Ridge Senior Girls' team led in the most fouls with 152. Sherry Mover was the only Ridge player to place in the top ten scoring, with 41 points.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Ice Skating Party was held from 8:30 to 10:30 Tuesday evening, March 8. About ninety students travelled by bus to the Port Coquitlam Sports Centre. Everyone from the novices to the experts got into the act at the rink - three teachers also showed up, Mr. Voth, Mr. Zebroff, and Mr. Tvson. Many students bit the ice, especially when playing crack the whip. The students arrived back in Haney at about 11:15 after an enjoyable time at the rink.

SCHOOL CLUBS - Y-TEENS

President - Elaine Hansen
Vice-President - Donna Villiers
Treasurer - Gail Hamilton

The Y-Teens is an organization of teenage girls, which, through the fellowship of girls of all races, hopes to promote a better understanding between people of different nations.

The club is considered primarily a service club in the school that takes part in projects that aid the school itself, as well as outside groups. For example, the Y-Teens held a fashion show in September, a car wash, and just recently, a hamburger sale. The social activities are held out of school time.

Every fall, all the new members, called preppers, are required to go through some unusual experience or initiation before being fully admitted to the Club. Then, after the writing of a short test, the preppers become full-fledged members of the Y-Teens.

- Donna Newbery

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The Public Speaking finals for our school were held second period on Tuesday morning, March 2. Judges were Miss Poole, Mrs. Moore, and Mr. Wright, with Mr. Wilson acting as chairman. Speakers and their topics were as follows:

Cathy Rhodes - Censorship
Nancy Hilbert - Curling on the Pacific Coast
Allan Emery - Crime Detection
John Humble - Comparison Between the British and American Form-s of Govt.
Jean Dunbar - Diplomacy
Joanne Morsh - Racial Prejudice
Dianne Williamson - International Co-Operation Year
Doug Harner - Electing a President

Of these, Cathy Rhodes was picked winner, with Nancy Hilbert as runner-up. However, at the district finals, Cathy was not able to attend because of a knee injury, and Nancy unfortunately failed to place.

RAMBLER REVIEWS

Two recent soundtrack records are of interest:
(Reviewed by Michael Quigley)

"Goldfinger", made with the Mancini fan in mind, with music composed by John Barry, is available on the United Artists label. Most of the music purports to be from the original soundtrack, but a few of the pieces seem to have been expanded a bit. Moreover, the best music from the film, which accompanied Bond on his pre-credits escapades, is not on the record. The music is quite palatable aside from these few oversights, and the record will be enjoyable to all 007 cinemaddicts.

The music from "Lord Jim", available on the Colpix label, composed by Bronislau Kaper (who did the music for "Mutiny on the Bounty") and conducted by Muir Mathieson, is excellent, especially as far as high-fidelity is concerned. The record contains some unusual instrumentation with Cambodian bells, native drums, gongs, et al., which are, among other things, good for testing stereo sets. On the record, after a brief prologue complete with thunder from the movie soundtrack, a most beautiful theme is richly developed, with the full orchestra putting forth total effort, the French horn soloing. Some of the other selections contain shades of "Bounty" music, but this is not too noticeable. There is a nasty cut at the end of one selection, from a break in the original tape, which makes a crashing orchestral climax suddenly go pffht, dropping considerably in volume. All that the record really lacks, however, is some interpolation between the Cambodian instruments and the symphony orchestra, which would have had, I feel, a dynamic effect.

Film Reviews

"Mary Poppins" is that great cinematic wonder-of-wonders, a 100% pure, "family entertainment only" type of picture, which will reap in a bundle of Academy Awards for Mr. Disney, much to the displeasure of Warner Brothers.

Julie Andrews and crew lead the viewer through a merry two and one-half hour romp to the tune of such original songs as "Supercalifragilisticexpicalidocious". The acting is as polished and British as possible, with the exception of Dick van Dyke, who puts in an excellent performance despite his wavering Cockney accent.

The special effects in "Mary Poppins" are quite unique and fantastic - people fly up and down with great ease and enter in and out of sidewalk paintings with little effort. The colour photography is exceptional, and in the chimney-sweeps' roof-top dance, it is the most realistic I have ever seen, that is, taken on a closed set.

In short, a good movie to see during the Easter holidays (if not sooner), if you aren't afraid of being noticed standing in the Strand lineup.

RAMBLER REVIEWS (continued)

"Percival - The Rattle of a Simple Man"

Percival was a simple, sweet sort of character, a worker in a cotton mill in Manchester. He claimed he was 33 and terribly experienced, but the poor chap was actually 39, and chaste as snow. Made foolhardy through drink and companionship one night, Percival found himself, because of a bet, in the flat of a very beautiful girl of very, very questionable virtue. Percy was somewhat perturbed by the girl's business-like attitude towards her work ("What's the time, darling? For the income-tax people, y' know."), and he'd rather talk and have a cup of tea first. He (naturally) falls in love with her. In short, you too, can be amused (in black and white) by the problems of a simple man (Harry Corbett).

- N.A.

LITERARY - Edited by Neil Arthur

This week's literary contributions vary interestingly from philosophy in verse to limerick.

The author of the following asks an old question, but the difference lies in the answer - an unusual one in high school.

"What's the Use?"

What's the use of working?

What's the use of life?

What's the use of loving?

What's the use of strife?

What's the use of crying?

Sighing, crying, dying?

What's the use of a
one-sided love?

There must be a reason,

There's always a reason,

God has His reason

So there must be a use.

- "Cards" Co.

Readers; you and I, clever things that we are, know the source of this questioning lies in the last line of the second verse, and in the following "Philosophy" by the same author, don't we?

Philosophy

The joys of love are but a moment long

The pain of love endures a whole life long.

The following was too good to be wasted in the "Letters" Dept.

Grade 12 Grievances

We object to the Grade 13s
cause anyway they're always snivelling
or complaining about something and
they think they're so smart
because they have their own
box of scotties

so they stand on their autographed
garbage receptacle
and preach to use grade 12s
but they don't know nothing
and we don't even care because
they write silly poems on silly hunks
of scotties and the silly senior matrices
tape them to their silly walls but
we pay no attention because
they're immature and don't know any better
and anyhow they should save their scotties
'cause they will need them for we took
their football and they'll be sorry
cause probably they don't know
where it is.

The Terrible Twelves

This one leaves you feeling as if something rather depressing happened to the author, apart from having me as a literary editor.

Lamentation

Nothing comes out of the cold barren earth -
Earth, the mother. She was young once,
Fresh, wild, and free.
Fresh as a cool summer day at the seashore,
Wild as the tossed hair of a brunette in an open sports car,
Free as the echo of a young voice on a closed street.
The earth could have been mine once,
When she was young, but now it is
Too late - gray is the shadow cast on.
Nothing came out of the earth,
Cold, barren, and mine.

- M.J.Q.

On a lighter note, here is... Well, anyway, on a lighter note:

There was a young lady of Lynn
Who was deep in original sin.
When they said "Do be good",
She said "Would if I could",
And straightway went at it again.

There was an old person of Tring,
Who, when asked to sing,
She replied: "Isn't it odd?
I can never tell God
Save the weasel from Pop goes the King."

There was a young fellow named Sydney,
Who drank till he ruined his kidney.
It shrivelled and shrank,
As he sat there and drank,
But he'd a good time doin' it, didn't he?

- R.E.P.

I should like to thank this week's contributors, and leave you with a simple proposition: If you would like to be able, whilst moving in some of the world's more distinguished circles, to clear your throat modestly and say "Well, actually, I've contribute on several occasions to the "Ridge Rambler"!", and hear the envious mutterings of the less fortunate, here's your chance!

REVISED EASTER EXAM TIMETABLE

	Friday March 26	Monday March 29	Tuesday March 30	Wednesday March 31	Thursday April 1	Friday April 2
9:00 to 11:00	En 30 En 10x En 40 En 41 En 100/101 (Lang.)	Ph 91 En 31 En 100/101 (Lit.)	Ma 91 SS 10 SS 10X	Ma 20 Ma 10 H.Ec. 91	Fr 92 Fr 110 V Ma 10 Ma 30 Co 44	Fr 91 BK 10 (Co 24)
11:30 to 1:30	L.A. 92 Co 34 En 10	S.S. 30 S.S. 31	H.Ec. 23 H.Ec. 30 I.A. 31 Ww 9 Mw 9	S.S. 32 I.A. 91H I.A. 30	Bi 91 PM 9 FN 9	IA 91C CT 9
2:00	Fr 9, 10 Zo 105 Ma 31 Geo 91	Hi 91 H. Ec. 26 Ma 101 (120)	En 91 En 93 Ch 101	Sc 10X Sc 10 Ch 91 Ph 101 Co 92 Co 93	Co 91 RK 9 (Co 11)	Hi 101

GOSSIP

- G.S. - Big groggers! R.N. - Making time with L.L., I see.
S.F. - Is he really nice and cuddly? J.G. - How's your twitch??
D.D. - Did you get R.D.'s car Friday night?
B.G. - Get any fingerprints on your most prized possession yet?
S.K. - I think "fickle" is a cute nickname.
B.K. - "What You Doin' to Me?" A.B. - Which tribe do you belong to?
L.H. - Music lesson, eh? Who's your cat?
G.B. - Imagine washing your hands in SNOW!!
J.E. - Why don't you show any manners in Math class?
W.D. - 50 ways to bug your Lab Partner.
B.J. - Did you buy those because you needed them in the past, you need them now, or you are going to need them?
D.M. - Is it true you've got a mysterious object in your piggy bank?
L.MacG. - In the bus of the Jolly Green Giant....ho!...ho!
P.B. - Are the heels of your shoes still squishing up behind you?
E.S. & friend - What were you two doing on the junior high school steps Friday afternoon? B.B. - Congratulations for what?
S.M. - Miss P's little pet!!! G.M. & G.R. - Congratulations!!
J.C. - He's tall, he's dark, he's handsome, and....he's Linda's.
R.F. - Had any accidents lately, like falling off your bike?
M.E.H. - Why did you keep passing your boyfriend by?
D.D. - You're quite a cake baker!! B.H. - Pretty hot sun, eh? (Ha Ha)
M.F. - We sure wish you would wear your "feminement" cotton crepe dress to school. B.J. - How about teaching us to play pool?
D.W. - Pretty nice ring you got there, kid!
L.L. - It would have been better to leave your nylons on.
G.B. - Do you always go around borrowing mustard?
K.S. - How did you enjoy the surprise party on Saturday?
L.McL. - You don't b any chance like watching P.T. wash his dad's car,
J.R. & K.S. - Happy birthday, 16 year olds. do you?
E.H. - You've wilted your last violet, Pocahontas!
A.K. - That was some dance you have with D.S.!!!!
B.A.D.H.Jr. - Do you always pull girls out of their desks? (How embarrassing for E.H.!!!!)
D.H. - Believe us, it was a good party!! M.K. - What's this about a family?
L.G. - Are you really scared of girls?
J.D. - You're a dirty old lady, get a cane.
A.V. - I didn't think they'd appreciate your sunbathing on the roof.
M.Z. - Going _____ in the girls' A&W washroom, shame, shame!!
G.Mac. - Dr. MacDonald, I presume. You say she had 13!!
C.R. - Don't you know it's illegal to park in the middle of 2nd Avenue so early in the morning? T.Y. - What'll you do for a nickel?
R.E. & L.Mc. - What are you waiting for, is it going to be in June?
D.N. - Moving your bed into the washroom, eh?
Mr. Z. - Going for nature walks along 14th Ave. on Sunday afternoons?
S.C. - Collars up, now! Is her bark worse than her bite?
A.D. - Who's the little Frenchman I saw you with? With all those curls, who could resist him?! Was it R.S.J.?
E.B. - Stop kidding yourself. We all know why you went to the Teachers' Convention.
E.H. & G.H. - What were you doing behind that tree?
B.S. & D.M. - Did B.G. & J.H. give you a big thrill on Friday afternoon in G.G.'s car? J.M. - You got a nosy little brother.
S.W. & S.D. - Heard you had a pretty wild weekend. Hope B.M., R.P., & K.M. don't start telling "tales".
J.H. - What were you doing in the back of the bus the night after the skating party, eh? Bet it was something you shouldn't have been doing.
A.K. - Keep trying - that fire's bound to start sometime!!
M.F. - Can you really see the top of your..... when you wear your "feminement" dress?
D.M. - According to N.M. you don't stick to peanut butter!
S.M. - Gets a little damp sitting in the middle of the field, doesn't it?
B.G. - Are you sure you haven't any pants on?