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# Liers and Otters **Entertain Students** At NUHS Assembly

The movie "My Pals and Playmates" was presented in an assemgly on Wednesday, December 2, by Emil E. Liers. The movie was about Mr. Liers and his otters.

With the otters as the principal actors in the movie, it shows them at play, sliding, fishing and underwater, retrieving ducks and other game. The dramatic fight with a bull snake demonstrates the otter's fearlessness.

The otter is not only fearless but also comical and friendly. The movie shows some comical scenes with the otters playing with dogs, raccoons, beavers, cats and skunks.

World's only Collection

Emil Liers has the only collection of otters in the world as they are quite rare.

As champion swimmer of all land animals, many people have told false stories of how the otter is, a destructive enemy of fish life.

Living near a stream, on the bank of a river or a lake, except for a short season when on the move, the otter does most of its hunting in the water where it lives. Strange as it seems, otters are beneficial, feeding on the enemies of fish life.

#### Otters on Stage

At the end of the assembly; Mr. Liers brought two of his pets up on the stage for the audience to view; but some of the students wanting so get a closer look at their new acquaintances, stayed on the stage for awhile before time forced them to go to their classes.

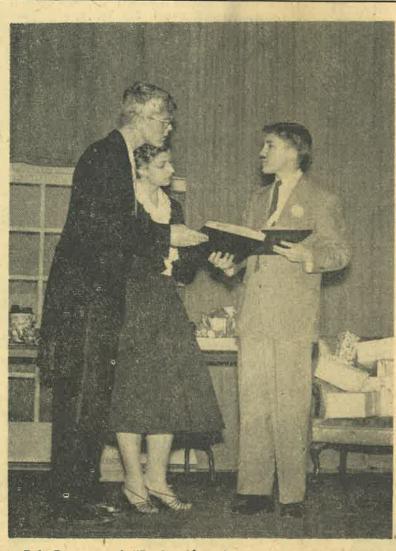
An Otter's Story, by Mr. Liers describing accurately the life's cycle of otters, was published April 3, 1953, and in September it won a prize sponsored by the Junior Literature Guild. The book will be published in England during April, 1954. NUHS library has a copy of this book.

## Senior Girl Scouts Invite Teen-Agers **To Attend Dance**

The Senior Girl Scout Troop of New Ulm cordially invites every "teen-ager" who reads this article, to come to the big Teen-age Benefit Dance the troop is sponsoring.

The dance will be held on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1954, in the new Turner Hall Gymnasium. The time is eight o'clock, the admission 25c, and the clothes strictly school clothes.

Besides just dancing, there will be the chance of renewing old acquaintances, and making new ones, because of the invitations that have been sent to eight surrounding towns: Springfield, Gibbon, Sleepy Eye, Redwood Falls, Fairmont. Mankato, St. James, and St. Peter The entertainment is something extra special, with Mike Fesenmaier giving out with some of his new "renditions." Also the instrumental quartet, with Mary Huhn, Jake Lentz, Jimmy Ginkel, and Jimmy Wolf, will give out with some smooth dance music. The rest of the dance music will be supplied with records.



Bob Dempsey of "Buckingham Caterers" shows Bill Fritsche and Helene Fesenmaier sample pEotos of wedding cakes in a scene from tEe ;unior class play, "Father of the Bride." [Photo by Bill Fritsche].

# Varsity Debaters Prove Ability In Meets At Macalester, Hamline

## "Superior"-Macalester "Excellent"-Hamline

The N. U. H. S. debate team, consisting of Charles Hauenstein, Les Dirks, Bill Fritsche and Bob Dempsey, and coached by Mr. Reber, copped "superior" and "excellent" ratings in two meets held at Macalester College and Hamline University, respectively ..

At the Macalester College debate tournament, held on December 5, the New Uln High School debate squad tied tiree other Minnesota schools for first place honors. "Superior" at Macalester

The rating of "superior" was awarded the New Ulm team after it had won seven out of eight scheduled debates. The affirmative team composed of Les Dirks and Charles Hauenstein were victorious in three out of four debates. They defeated Minneapolis West, Visitation, and won another by default. The only was dealt by a Jackson high school team. The negative team composed of Bill Fritsche and Bob Dempsey had a perfect record winning all four of its debates. The negative team defeated Patrick Henry and Concordia of Minneapolis, and St. Agnes and St. Thomas Academy of St. Paul. The Macalester tourney is reputed to be the largest debate meet of the year. 240 debaters from 50 schools took part in this tournament.

# Newsy Notes

#### Pepfest programs.

The cheerleaders have decided to continue an idea that really worked out fine last year. It is to assign certain clubs and organizations to each basketball pep fest. The first ones presented this year were successful; and if every one assigned those in the future pitch in and have theirs ready, they will continue to be suclessful. Senicrs, Attention!

This is a reminder to all seniors to take their proofs for class pictures back as soon as possible so that they can be set in order for the annual.

#### Happy Vacation!

Many students are eagerly awaiting the longest vacation of the school year-Christmas Vacationwhich starts December 18 at 3 P.M. After two weeks of "freedom," classes will resume the regular schedule on January 4 at 8:45.

# Leo Brandel Wins Top Crop Awards At Annual F. F. A. Banquet

# Band Will Sport New Uniforms At Winter Concert

The annual winter band concert will be held January 17 at 3:00 P.M. in the high school auditorium. A special feature will be the new Senior High band uniforms.

The Junior High Band will begin the program with "Military Escort March," by Bennett. Their main number will be the "Voyager Overture," by King. Also on the program will be a clarinet quartet, a cornet duet, and a trombone solo. "The Thunderer March," by Sousa, featuring Patsy Glasman will close the Junior High portion.

"American's We," by Fillmore starts the Senior High Band's program. Johann Strauss' famous "Waltzes from Die Fledermaus" will be the main number. Included in the program will be "The Caisson Song" featuring three trumpets, a tenor sax solo, a bass solo, a march featuring the trombones, two novelties, and various marches.

A portion of this program will be given before the student body in the morning assembly on Friday, January 15.

### Driver Training Class To Join Curriculum Of New Ulm High School

An experimental program of driver instruction will go undr way at the New Ulm Public Schools, 1953-54. Registrations will begin about April 1, and Behind-Wheel in-

structions during the summer after the parent's signature is presented, accompanied by a fee of \$2.50.

To be eligible, trainees must satisfactorily complete the classroom instruction given in the General Science course. They should qualify for the learner's permit in the test given by the Highway Patrol and should attain the age of 15 before their wheel training begins.

A waiting list will be made for late registrants and for New Ulm out-of-school adults who have qualified for the necessary learner's permit. The Behind Wheel Instructor will be Mr. Dahl, who completed a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  semester credit course for driver trainers at the University of Indiana last summer.

The classroom instruction will amount to 30 hours. Behind-Wheel trainers are instructed in groups of four for one hour a day for one month. Each trainee will have six hours of actual driving time,

The Annual Parent Son Banquet was held Thursday evening, December 3, in the high school cafeteria.

Happy

Leo Brandel, for the second consecutive year, won the top crop show awards. Leo won trophies for champion crop and corn exhibitor in the contest which is held every year with the banquet. He exhibited thirty-two entires which netted him nineteen blue ribbons, twelve reds, and one white.

Also doing an excellent job of showing was Fred Bianchi who received fifteen blues out of eighteen exhibits. This was a very outstanding job for a freshman exhibitor.

#### Forsberg and Kunkel Judge

Vererans' Ag Instructor Win Forsberg and County Agent Paul Kunkel judged the crop show consisting of 309 entires. Of these, over half were blue ribbons.

Receiving the champion hog award was Ken Stueber, whose project consisted of forty-four pigs raised from four of his Purebred Spotted Poland hogs. In second and third place were Charles Hesse and Harvey Janni, respectively.

Arlon Fritsche, a NUHS graduate, was champion in the dairy division with his eleven Guernsey cattle. Jim Albrecht won second with his Holsteins.

Championship honors were also given to Ernest Tiedeken, who raised eight purebred grade ewes, and Harlan Stueber, who raised 200 turkeys.

#### Stueber Grand Champ

Ken Stueber, with his 121 bushel yield, was named grand champion in the Minowa Corn Contest. The reserve Championship went to Gary Current with a 111 bushel yield.

Harland Stueber won grand champion in the general corn contest with a 100 bushel average from three varieties. Gary Current again won the reserve championship.

At the banquet itself, chapter president, Clifford Laurence, presided as toastmaster and advisor Ed Fier introduced the visiting guests and businessmen.

Lewell Gieseke gave the invocation. The banquet was prepared and served by Miss Westling and her staff. George Maha, who won second place in the state FFA talent contest last year, then played a few musical numbers on his concertina. Lynott Speaks

Also on the program were a welcome by Principal M. A. Lynott, musical numbers by an instrumental trio consisting of Mary Huhn, Loren Lentz, and Jim Wolf, and an appraisal by La Verne Schugel, former member of the local chapter and former FFA State President. Dale

## **Betsy Oswald Paints Murals In Emerson**

The murals made up of the nursery rhymes, "Three Men in a Tub," "Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary" and "Humpty Dumpty" on the walls in Miss West's Kindergarten room in Emerson were drawn by Betsy Oswald. She used the colors of blue, green, yellow, red, grey and white.

It took Betsy about four hours to do each one of these nursery rhymes, and she plans to finish another one in the near future.

#### "Excellent" at Hamline

Three weeks previous to the Macalester tourney, the debate team travelled to the first meet of the season at Hamline University. The team walked away with an "excellent" rating winning four out of six debates. Bill Fritsche and Bob Dempsey rated as two of the seven top debaters at the meet, earning "superior debater" awards. Charles Hauenstein earned an "excellent" award. Up to this time both teams combined have won almost 80% of their debates.

The next tournament will be held at Carleton college Dec. 18 and 19.

#### The Christmas Spirit-

Student Council, instead of having their regular meeting Monday, December 7, took time out to decorate the Christmas tree which stands in front of the senior lockers.

## "Father Of The Bride" Is Financial Success

The Junior Class Play, "Father of the Bride," which was presented in the school auditorium November 21 and 22, turned out to be a big success.

An audience of over a thousand overflowed the auditorium to its full capacity. With all the hard work which was done by everybody, the play was a success and came out with \$347.74 net proceeds.

Concluding the class play were parties on both Friday and Saturday nights for the cast and staff at the Helen Hoffmann and Bill Fritsche homes.

A Chevrolet from Clauss Motor Company will be used for the driver training.

## N. U. H. S. Will Host Little 10 Disscussion

On January 27 again this year the schools in the Little Ten Conference will send representatives to New Ulm High for a discussion.

Three groups will discuss at the same time. One in front of the N.U.H.S. student body in the auditorium, and two in classrooms will hold 50-minute discussions. The chairmen will be two participants from New Ulm, and one from another participating town. After the discussions the group will enjoy a mixer until 5 o'clock when they will go with their advisers to dinner at Eibner's.

The ten towns eligible to send representatives are Fairmont, Glencoe, Hutchinson, Marshall, New Ulm, Redwood Falls, Sleepy Eye, Springfield, St. James, and Tracy. Mr. Reber is in charge of all the arrangements.

Sauer did an outstanding job of giving the chapter accomplishments of the previous year.

Guest speaker of the evening was Dave Livingstone of Washington, Iowa, who lived up to his claim of America's funniest farmer with his topic, Bread, Butter and Baloney.

Previous to the banquet, exhibits were taken to the Pfister corn contest at Mankato. Gene Rollof won the reserve championship.

On Saturday, December 5, Lowell Gieseke won fourth place in the district cow clipping contest at Mountain Lake.

## Art Class "Staining" Window

The art room has a busy hum of activity lately. One group is coloring a window on the South side of the room to resemble a stained glass Nativity scene. This is done with colored chalk. Come out next week to see this masterpiece created by your fellow students.

The rest of the students are designing Christmas cards on linoleum blocks and transferring them to white paper.

Hauenstein Tells of

The Radio Show That

Feature Music, Records

By Charles Hauenstein

radio looking for good relaxing entertainment,

only to find some tragic soap opera or the

latest stock quotation or a quiz program de-

signed for people with I. Q.'s of eight-year-

olds? Is there good entertainment in those programs? Certainly not !! I think many of

you will agree with me when I say that the

best entertainment radio has to offer is music.

can find music on the radio ranging in taste

from a Beethoven Symphony to Lefty

his duty to help you find your type

of music on the radio so he conduct-

ed a survey and here are the re-

Living in the Polka Capital of the Nation

your first preference might be for old-time

music and what better place is there than the

Polka Station of the Nation? If you're an

old time addict, KNUJ will satisfy your de-

If you're a fan of popular music, you have

a variety of choice. WDGY has popular

record programs almost twenty-four hours a

day. KTOE in Mankato has a request pro-

gram every week-day afternoon. If you like

your popular music a little more select and

a little on the "cool" side, listen to KSTP

But God knows you are stronger than I am."

His beak holds more than his belican.

Though I'm darned if I see how the hel-

There was a young lady named Banker

Who slept while the ship lay at anchor.

on Saturday afternoons.

You'll have to use force,

He can take in his beak

Enough food for a week,

She woke in dismay

A rare old bird is the pelican;

Your faithful columnist feels it is

Frizzel.

sults.

sires.

If you know when and where to listen, you

How many times have you turned on the

# Christmas What It Used To Be?

#### by Helene Fesenmaier

In the days of King Herod there was a man who with his wife, went from Nazareth to Bethlehem. They journeyed thus to register for a census which Caesar Augustus had decreed. And so it came to pass, that while they were in Bethlehem a child was born to them in a stable just outside the city. The parents were Mary and Joseph; their Child was called Emmanuel meaning "God with us" or Jesus. The child had come to save the world and bring peace to all mankind, and they wrapt Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger. And this was the first Christmas.

It is now Christmas 1953, with bells and music, laughter and good will that truly this season enjoys. We have much to be thankful for this December 25. For besides the delicious food, tinselled trees and many presents, we again have peace. Our country is yet unscathed by the destruction and desolation of war, and "people" the world over are engaged in a fight to stop Communism so that we may continue to have peace.

But an even more serious threat to our American security is that of a moral cancer from within. This danger is exploited in grotesque crime stories, sensationalized sex and crime comic books and obscenity that we see in movies and TV, advertisements, and on our newstands.

A shocking thing to note is that many of our cosmopolitan newspaper editors support the publishing of this lewd literature or printed trash on the grounds of "Freedom of the Press." Do we want a freedom of publication and production that will one day lead to the shackling of our American de-mocracy and heritage? "The longer we continue to support the progressiv edeterioration of private and public morals, the easier we will become prey to communism", stated Gen. William Dean upon his return from Korean captivity. We must be firm and strong in setting up our ideals. We must stick to

them so that we do not endanger everything that we as Americans hold dear, our freedom, our safety and our unity.

This Christmas we must thank God that we have retained these things through the years and that by His will, we may continue to enjoy them, reap their privileges and hold them fast to our hearts and enjoy Tidings of peace.

Even though Christmas is a time for gaiety, tinsel, and the giving of gifts to our loved ones, we must remember that now in this time of "moral break more than ever before we must put the Christ Child back into our down, own 1953 Christmas. For it is because of the advent of the Christ Child, that we now celebrate Christmas.

# We Seniors

by Marty, Corky and Nita

#### Jerome Filzen: "Jerry"

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If you hear "Wanta make something of it" look around, Jerry will probably be there. This senior boy likes all food that is prepared "his" way. His pet peeve is sophisticated women and his future ambition is farming. Jerry also likes to dance. He will always be remembered for being a good wrestler. Norma Fischer: "Francie"

Some of Norma's pastimes are going to shows, hiking, and sewing. People who tease her about "Pete" are her pet peeve. Norma wants to be a medical secretary. She eats cashew nuts, her favorite food, and Norma can be remembered for "wising off in the classroom."

#### Marlene Freese: "Mar"

People who pronounce her last name freeze to rhyme with breeze are Mar's pet peeve [Mr. Lynott?]. Her pasttime is going to oldtime dances. "Oh man, you know it" is her pet saying and she loves to ;eat scalloped potatoes. I think we will all agree that Mar has a wonderful sense of humor and will be remembered for it.

#### Robert Freiderich: "Bob"

Bob's pet peeve and hobby tie together quite well. His pet peeve is staying home nights and his hobby is having a girl in every town. His pet saying is "Baby Doll." Bob's favorite song is "God Bless All" by Jimmy Boyd. Bob can be remembered for keeping Woolworth's clean.

#### CARLA FRITSCHE: "Fezz"

Stuck-up people don't rate with Carla. Playing the piano is Carla's hobby and College Prep. her favorite subject. Taking up journalism in college is her future ambition. Carla can be remembered for being the friendliest girl in the senior class.





What do you want from Santa Claus for Christmas?

Paul Radke-his two front teeth. Loren Lentz-a good-looking movie star.

Jacky Erickson-a stack of \$100 bills. Bev Wilson- a baby blue Cadillac convertible

Juanita Pipping-a way to remember Connie's long address.

Mary Lou Schmitz-clothes, clothes, and more clothes.

Norma Fischer—a hippopotamus. Rosemary Stadick-Mike Quinn.

Marlene Koenig-Rudolph.

Ione Carlson-Santa's sleigh so I can drive without a license.

Ann Diedenhofen-a longer vacation.

Betsy Oswald-10 million dollars.

Miss Englerth—a boy's gym class. Marlene Freeze-a shovel so she can dig

shorthand. Donna Dhaltorp-a house in town.

Miss Schmid-a nice long vacation with lots of interesting things to take pictures of. Margaret Dittrich-Santa Claus.

Kenny Brueske-Marilyn Monroe.

Lloyd Steinbach-a car that runs.

Tom Liesch-a cadillac convertible with Marilyn Monroe in it.

# Inside N. U. H. S. by Sluggo

It's nice to see so many seniors signed up for intramural basketball. This should raise the calibre of the playing to be done. [?] Besides that, Howie Schroeer's 210 lbs. and Jim Hagemestrer's 6 feet, 3 inches seem to be scaring off all the underclassmen.

The student council and the senior boys wish to express their sincere appreciation

to Butch Rockvam for the use of his glasses for pep fests.

Speaking of pepfests, the result of the one held on December 4 is as follows: Mr. Ness is now the sole pupil in a class on basketbail technicalities. The tutor? You guessed it; Sheryl baker, our seventh grade sports quiz kid.

Most people are color blind; they think they are blue when they are only yellow.

How many of you ever knew that the density of water at 3.98 degrees Centigrade is .999973 grams per cubic centimeter. It's go d to know facts like that . One never lknows when the problem of fluid density might arise in his daily struggle for existence.

I'll let the car out of the bag. The trigonometry class had a party this morning complete with Christmas tree and presents.

Here's some yuletide advice that should ast longer than the holidays. "It takes 34 muscles to frown and only 13 to smile. Why, make the extra effort?"

Merry Christmas.

# Les and Wally ... Jokes and Folly ...

We're going to take a crack at it! This is a column dedicated strictly to humor; that is, if you can consider limericks humor, because they're the subject of this issue.

In general limericks can be classified as any short poen that makes you groan. A guy by the mane of Ed Lear made the modern five-line style "popular." At one time or another all of the so-called literary geniuses have tried to write good limericks, even Cosmo Monkhouse. According to that eminent humorist, Looie Untermeyer, though, the best ones are the unprintable ones. After reading some of the printed ones, we're rather inclined to agree with him. Here are a few classic illustrations of what we mean: A diner while dining at Crewe

Found quite a large mouse in his stew. Said the waiter,"Don't shout

and wave it about, Or the rest will be wanting one too."

There once was a maiden of Siam Who said to her lover, young Kiam, "If you kiss me, of course,

# Dear Dairy, by Squeaks ....

#### Fri. Nov. 6

Tonight was the last football game. We beat Springfield 20-6. Although I don't know much about football, I think we had a pretty good team.

Mon. Nov. 9

Boy, this is Twirp Week. I wish I had a girl to take me out. The boys sure have it nice this week.

Tues. Nov. 10

I heard terrible noises coming from the cafeteria tonight. I thought it might be burglars so I ran down to see. All I found

parties. I am convinced that directing is the career for me.

Wed. Nov. 25 School was out at three today. Everybody sure was in a hurry to get away from here.

Thurs. Nov. 26

Thanksgiving! And to make it perfect it's snowing. I just stuffed myself and didn't do a thing. What a day! Fri. Nov. 27

Gosh, it's dark and quiet around here. I guess I miss those noisy kids more than I thought I would ...

...Jim Palmer Editor. Sports Editor....Janice Neumann Faculty Advisor..... Miss Kayser

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ican.

When she heard the mate say, "Now hoist up the topsheet and spanker." Agreed?

Delores would like to become a stewardess. Her pet peeve is "people who complain about the food in the cafeteria." She likes to sew for a pastime and also keep a school scrapbook. Corn-on-the-cob is Delores' favorite food and "Hi Lili, Hi Lo" her favorite tune. We will remember her for that "giggle." Gordon Gehrke: "Gordy"

Farming is Gordy's ambition. He says Sunday drivers are his pet peeve. Wrestling and the gym team are his extracurricular activities and he can be heard saying "Oh, those blondes!" His favorite song is "Crazy Man, Crazy." Gordy will always be remembered for his interest "from California."

#### Norma Jean Gehrke: "Jeanie"

Jeanie wants to be a beauty operator and raise two mean little boys. Her hobby is eating and eating and eating although her favorite food is soup and toast [Ho!] Jean's pet saying is "Boy, I know," and her favorite song "Because." She can be remembered for being our 1953 Posture Queen.

#### Lowell Gieseke: "Giezy"

Archery is Giezy's hobby and poetry his pet peeve. The crystal ball fortells farming as his ambition. His favorite subject is shop and he's often heard saying, "Good Deal.'

La Donna Eckstein-a man! Billy Meyer-a box of No-doz.

No. 1 on his hit parade is "Crying in the Chapel." Lowell can be remembered for his interest in a Trinity girl.

#### Dale Gluth: "Sonny"

T-Bone steak is Dale's favorite food. "Get off my back" is his pet saying and women smokers his pet peeve. Dale's favorite song is "Oh" and basketball is his pastime. Dale will always be remembered for going to oldtime dances.

#### Jerry Gottschalk: "Jerry"

Girls, don't get a poodle cut for that's this senior's pet peeve. He likes to make model airplanes in his spare time. Jerry's future ambition is college and work. He likes apple pie a-la-mode and his favorite sport is football. Jerry always has a smile and "Hi" for everybody and is rated one of the friendliest boys in the senior class. Katherine Gratz: "Alice"

Listen to this girl's favorite food: liver and onions. Alice's pet peeve is school and her pet saying is "Gell." Her favorite song is "I See the Moon." Alice's future ambition is marriage [Wesley?]. She can be remembered for her long, black hair.

was the Fri-le-ta initiation party in full swing. I stayed for lunch.

#### Fri. Nov. 13

I have to be careful today, it's Friday the 13th. I heard that a lot of the girls are taking their dates to the midnight horror show. How romantic!

#### Sat. Nov. 14

What a mix up! Some thought the Twirp Dance started at 7:30, some at 8:00 and some at 8:30. But it was a wild success when it did get going. Sam Traurig was crowned Twirp King by Mrs. Ness.

#### Tues. Nov. 17

I have been helping the juniors with their play practice every night but I'm getting a little disgusted. Mr. Reber must recognize my great directing ability and I thought surely by this time he would have made me codirector.

#### Fri. Nov. 20

The opening night of "Father of the Bride." And I must say it was good. My directing was supurb. I suppose Mr. Reber and the juniors will get all the credit, but that's alright; I'll just be a martyr.

#### Sat. Nov. 21

Another grand performance, and oh, those

Mon. Nov. 30

Well, they're all back again. I think some are back to rest up after the vacation. I heard that they had a party every night. Tues. Dec. 1

Tonight was the first basketball game. I hid in Mr. Ness' pocket and rode to Sleepy Eye with the team. We won 40-30. Boy, have we got a tall team. When I stand next to Clint, I feel as tiny as a mouse-oops, that's right, I am a mouse. I'm with people so much I begin to think I am a person, too. Wed. Dec. 2

Oh, what a day. I think I'll quit going to assemblies. Mr. Lier and his otters were here this morning. I watched the real interesting movie and then ran back stage to keep out of the way. The first rhing I knew two "playful" monsters were after me. They started a lively game of catch [I was the ball] but then one of them knocked a chair over and Mr. Lier came and got them. I surely got out of there in a hurry.

#### Fri. Dec. 4

The first home game. Wow!, is our team good. We beat Springfield 58-30. There was a dance after the game. I tried to go to sleep, but everytime I drifted off they would play a wild polka and who can sleep to that!

### Eriday, Dec. 18, 1953

New Ulm, Minnesota

# Eagles Upset Saint James 53-51 In Final-Minute Rally

## N. U. Gets Tall Team As 33 Players Try Out

One of New Ulm High School's tallest basketball squads was fighting for individual positions on the team. 33 men tried out for-a place on the varsity or B team.

Four players from last year returned. They are Tom Liesch. Warren Sonday, Dale Sauer, and Mike Fesenmaier. The team lost Tom Ubl, Ted Ranheim, Doyle Schneider, Jim Kagermaier, Ernie Sauer, and John Heymann.

Among the tallest of this year's squad is Howie Lokkensgaard, a senior who has been an understudy for the past two years. He reaches in the neighborhood of 6-4 as do Clint Hammer and Dale Sauer. Clint is a transfer from Mankato where he played center with the Mankato Scarlets.

The boys that reported for practice were:

Seniors-Ken Boelter, Chuck Hintz, Mike Fesenmaier, Clint Hammer, George Tyrrell, Howie Schroeer, Loren Lentz, Tom Liesch, and Howie Lokkensgaard.

Juniors-Dale Sauer, Warren Son day, Sam' Traurig, Ken Rockvam, Myron Ahle, Sid Herrick, Ervie Boelter, Rich Hayes, Rich Rieger, and Rich Heymann.

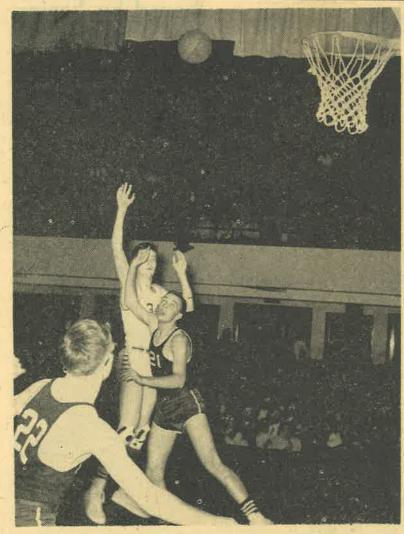
Sophomores-Craig Anderson, Bob Klessig, Mike Farrell, Gene Wilfahrt, Hans Klotz, Jerry Lindmeyer, Roger Wiedl, Dick Pollei, Norman Sell, George Peterson, Marty Steffl, Allen Gebhard, Rich Marks, and Tom Ackerson.

# Indians Fall 40-30 In N.U. Season Opener

The Eagles won their first basketball game of the season by defeating the Sleepy Eye team 40-30. The game was played in Sleepy Eye's new gymnasium, which is figured in the District 10 tournament plans this year.

New Ulm's taller line made the difference although it didn't dominate the game as much as expected. Clint Hammer, Howie Lokkensgaard and Dale Sauer, averaging 6-3 Lokkensgaard, however, tossed

Midway in the second quarter the Eagles went ahead seven points and later made it eight before making it nine at half time. Junior Dale Sauer did the outstanding board work of the evening as he worked and offensively and defensively as



Duke Lokensgaard goes up in the air to fire a ;ump shot in the Springfield game. [Photo by Tom Olson].

# **Nessmen Topple Tigers** 58-30 In First Home Tilt

The Eagles won a 58 to 30 victory over the Springfield Tigers as there were just too many tall men for the Tigers to cope with.

Clint Hammer was high point man with 19 points. He hauled off enough rebounds off the offensive and defensive boards to show more individual rebounds than the entire Springfield team.

In the first quarter the Tigers were in the game as they trailed the Eagles 10 to 8. In the second

## Sonday Tops 1,000 Yds., For New NUHS Record

Warney Sonday, star Eagle halfback broke all records for New Ulm\_ by rushing more than 1,000 yards. He officially gets credit for a net yardage of 856 yards and 211 yards for passing. However these statistics do not include the first two games with Glencoe and Waseca when he made considerable yardage

### The Eagles won their third straight game of the season by defeating the St. James Saints. It was the Eagles' first South Central Conference game. With less than a minute to go, the Eagles sank in six points to make the score 53-51, one of the season's top upsets.

# Eagle Matmen Drop Initial Meet 39-6

The Eagle Mat Men lost their first wrestling meet of the season to Tracy. Although its point showing was poor, the team drew some praise after their 39 to 6 defeat.

Many of the Eagles were wrestling for their first time in competition. Thd only Eagles to win were "Warney" Bakken in the 120 pound class and Jerry Filzen in the 133 pound division. Bakken defeated his man 4-3, while Filzen won a 9-7 point decision. The results:

95 pound-Noyes, T, pinned Traurig, NU, in 1:44

103 pound-Robinson, T, decisioned Ulrich, NU, 9-7 112 pound-Neethe, T, pinned

Peterson, NU, in 3:11 120 pound-Bakken, NU, de-

cisioned Sanderson, T., 4-3 127 pound-Stevens, T., pinned

T. Filzen, NU, in 3:06 133 pound-J. Filzen NU, de-

cisioned Suess, T, 9-7 138 pound-Halverson, T, pinned

Brueske, NU, in 1:55 145 pound-DeVetter T., de-

cisioned Drexler, NU, 9-8 154 pound-C. DeVetter T.,

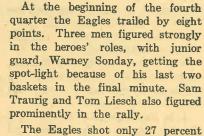
pinned Sell, NU, in 3:40 165 pound-Wendorf T, pinned

Lindemann, NU in 28 seconds Unlimited-Horsemen T, deci-

sioned Schroeer, NU, 8-0 Exhibition 145 pound-Williams

T, decisioned Deopere, NU, 7-6

Dec. 1 Sleepy Eye [there] Dec. 4 Springfield [here] Dec. 11 St. James [there] Dec. 18 Fairmont [there] Jan. 8 Waseca [here] Jan. 12 St. Peter [here] Jan. 15 Hutchinson [there] Jan. 22 Blue Earth [here] Jan. 29 Redwood [there] Feb. 2 St. James [here] Feb. 5 Springfield [there] Feb. 8 St. Peter [there] Feb. 12 Waseca [there] Feb. 19 Redwood [here]



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in the first half while St. James got 30. In the second half the story was altogether different, as the team play and scrap took hold.

With 45 seconds remaining, the St. James team led by two points. Traurig, who was in the game for the first time, out-flanked Gerry Kintzi and fired a jump shot to tie it all up.

The Saints then got the ball and missed a shot; then John Jackson missed a rebound and the Eagles took over.

Sonday got the ball; and thinking the horn was about to be blown, shot from the middle of the floor to put the Eagles ahead 51-49.

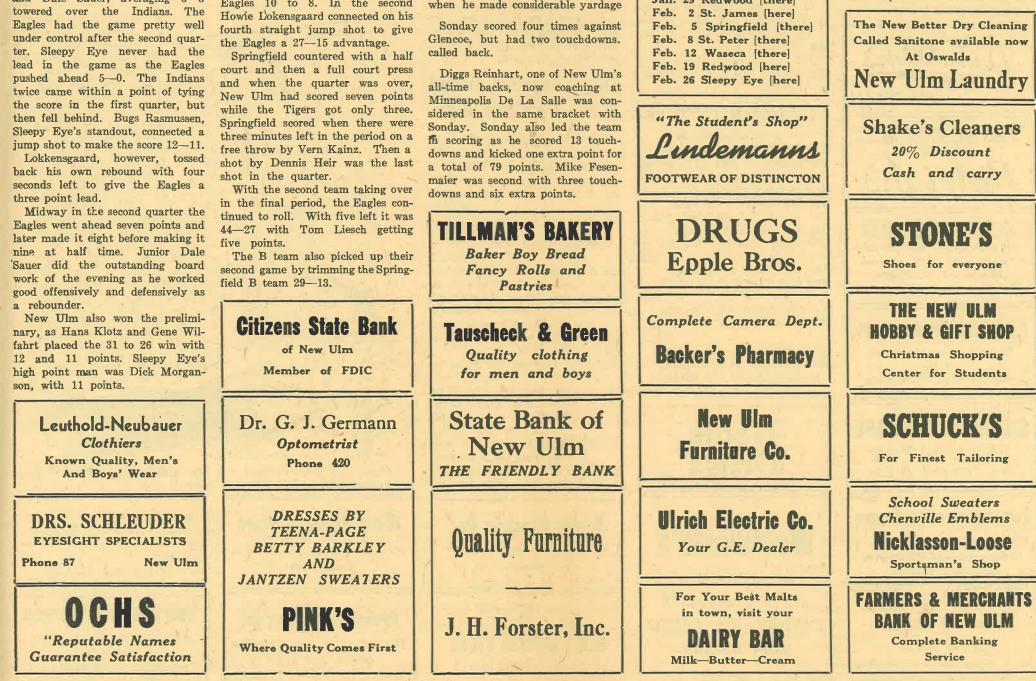
Liesch stole the ball from the Saints and fed off to Sonday who drove in for a lay-up.

The Eagles played with the limited services of Clint Hammer, who had a broken blood vessel in his foot. Chuck Hintz also missed the game because of illness.

Although the Saints were expected to be the better rebounding team, the Eagles managed 26 of the 54 board pick-offs. Dale Sauer made eight of them.

# **Gridsters Bow Out** 20-6 Over Tigers

The Eagles finished one of their most successful football seasons with a 20-6 win over the Springfield Tigers in a non-conference game. The highly favored Eagles didn't play as well as expected until the fourth quarter.



**Basketball Schedule** 

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# Six NU Football Players Rate All-District Teams

The once beaten Eagles put three of their men on each of the first and second football teams for the first all-District 10 eleven-man team selected by the New Ulm Daily Journal with the assistance of coaches, officials, and writers.

Top choice was Warney Sonday, as he won a spot hands down, with virtually every ballot listing his name.

Lyle Rassmussen of Sleepy Eye, Darold Ashton of Springfield, and Joe Hoffmann of Lamberton were mates of Sonday as they fell in with a backfield that boasted power, passing ability, deception, and speed.

Howie Schroeer and Les Dirks were named on the first team also. Chuck Hintz was chosen for the second team; although Hintz missed several gams he played well in those in which he participated. Others on the second team were Tom Liesch and Sam Traurig.

## Mr. Pfaender To Lead Group On Mexican Tour

At 6:30 A.M. Saturday, December 19, Mr. Pfaender and 17 other people will leave from New Ulm. Five cars are driving the 5,000 miles [round trip] to MEXICO, returning to New Ulm, Monday evening, January 4.

Some highlights of the tour will include the following: A specially arranged fiesta at Valles, the famous pyramids outside Mexico City, a tour of Mexico City including a leather factory, a day in worldfamous Taxco, [one of the silver capitals of the world], the Floating Gardens in Mexico City on Christmas Day, and four days in fabulous Acapulco.

Those going on this year's tour are: Mr. Pfaender, Supt. Herrmann and daughters, Joy and Mary; Judge and Mrs. George Erickson; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Schleuder; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fenske; Ruth Wold; Marion Meine [all of New Ulm]; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fohl, Nonette Magensen of Sleepy Eye; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Daufany of Calumet and Mrs. Theodore Haar of Fremont, South Dakota.





Tom Traurig is crowned Twirp King by Mrs. Ness at the annual Twirp Twirl sponsored by the journalism class.

## Annual Twirp Dance Big Hit With Students

"A huge success,"—"Lots of fun," —this was the general opinion of those attending Twirp Dance, November 14.

There were considerably more names on the date list this year, and as a result, more kids at the dance. [Seniors showing the greatest majority.] About one hundred students attended.

Something "new" was also added, dance programs. Opinion of these varied in degree from "nuisance" to "nice."

# SeniorWoodworking Progressing Well

The seniors in Mr. Achmann's classes seem to be doing a very nice job in woodwork. They have been making end tables and things of that sort. These are being finished in various ways.

Mr. Tyrell's classes are doing a little bit of everything.

In the Hobby Club the girls are making candles and pencil holders. The seventh grade boys are mak-

ing Christmas toys. Mr. Epp has charge of the Junior High classes and they are working in plastics.

# A Students Prayer

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Now I lay me down to sleep, My home-work piled up in a heap. If I should die before I wake, I have but four requests to make: Put my history in my hand; Tell Mr. Zahn I don't understand;

Lay my English at my feet; Tell Miss Treadwell it's got me

beat. Lay my biology at my head;

Tell Miss Raverty I'm glad I'm

# "Singing Marines" To Vocalize For NUHS Assembly

The Singing Marines, a group of singers, who have a reputation for being one of the most solid and dependable musical acts in show business, will present an assembly program in the high school auditorium at 3:00 P.M. on Friday, January 8.

The group came to public attention for the first time when they opened the Swiss Chalet at the Bismarck Hotel in Chicago, where they remained for an extended engagement. Since then, they have been appearing throughout the Middle West, at clubs, theaters, and conventions. The group comes from Chicago and at the present they are touring Minnesota, Iowa, and the Dakotas.

The Singing Marines have been together for several years and have appeared on radio as well as television. The act consists of five superbly matched and blended voices. The Group gives special arrangements of the best-loved musical comedy and operetta numbers, as well as patriotic and marching songs.

The present tour of The Singing Marines is arranged by the University of Minnesota Concerts and Lectures.

## Tumbling Team Split Into"A" and"B" Squads

The tumbling team for the coming year was chosen at a try out a few weeks ago. This year there are two teams, a B team and an A team. It meets every Monday and Friday from 5:00 to 6:00 and has been planning an assembly program. It is also planning a surprise performance between the halves of a basketball game. Tumbling to music and also working on the trampoline have been its latest activities.

The A team is as follows: Roberta Beecher, Karen Diedenhofen, Jyneal Erickson, Patsy Glasmann, Shirlene Lindmeyer, Joanne Minnick, Janice Neumann, Sharon Nelson, Betsy Oswald, Dee Ann Schleuder, Marlene Shaul, and Nancy Turner.

Members of the B team are: Virginia Barnell, Mary Lee Clobes, Katherine Harrick, Coral Johnson, and Nancy Naumann.

# Improvement In '54 Vowed by Students

- 1. La Nay Lindmeyer—Go away more often.
- 2. Virginia Liebl—See Buddy more often.
- 3. Warren Sonday—Not to work so hard.
- 4. Myron Ahle—Get an "A" in Chemistry.
- me 5. Sharon Nelson—Get an "A" in shorthand.

6. Brace Hintz—Never join with John Purtzer in his "mocks," es-

# Christmas Spirit Found by Senior by Carla Fristche

"Where's my Christmas Spirit," I thought, as I watched the busy shoppers bustling in and out of the stores, carrying armfuls of bundles. I unconsciously reached into my pocket; and after feeling desperately, I pulled out thirty-three cents. I looked this time, just to make sure that I hadn't left anything. But alas, I could find no more money. After racking my brains, I decided that there was nothing I could get my parents for thirty-three cents! I gave up my shopping, and decided to earn enough money for nice Christmas presents for everyone.

However, after a few sorry attempts at babysitting, I decided that my hard-earned money didn't make up for all the black and blue marks which I got on the job. So I devised a new scheme for making my millions.

With my hard-earned babysitting money, I bought all the necessary materials for making Christmas gree ornaments, and then set to work on my project. My first attempts were terrible, but luckily, I slowly improved. When the time came to sell the ornaments, I was happily surprised to see that people bought them. And wanted more. When I calculated my profit, I found that I had been earning for myself the staggering amount of ten cents an hour. All my work hadn't brought me any nearer to the Christmas Spirit however. The season just seemed like any other time.

Now that I had enough money for presents, I had to to decide what presents to give everyone. My careful hinting brought me nothing but an answering hint for a red garbage can to go in the kitchen! Any other holiday would be fine for a red garbage can, but Christmas? It's impossible to buy anything for my father. If I gave him another tie, he would throw it right back in my face! As for my brother Charles Antel's Formula N. 9, and a bottle of freckle remover would have 14 Lettermen Appear For Gym Squad Practice

On November 12, the first meeting of the high school gym team was held. Fourteen lettermen are among the 31 who are participating in inter-scholastic gym team work.

Jim Palmer and Alan Iverson are the only seniors; they are both in the class C division.

Other lettermen are juniors Harlan Asleson, Duane Neubauer, Tom Christensen, and Jim Wolf, a sophmore. They are also in the class C division.

In the class D division the lettermen are Roger Gehrke. Vern Radloff, juniors; Roger Radke and Wayne Haber, sophmores; Vic Reim and Jim Scheible, freshmen; and Bill Green and David Frank, eighth graders.

Tom Olson is the only non-letterman in class C while the remainder of non-lettermen are:

Seniors-Gordon Gehrke.

Juniors-Bob Bodine, John Purtzer, and Brace Hintz.

Freshmen-Gary Nelson, Don Mathiowetz, Richard Kramer, Joel Erickson, John Diedenhofen, and Don Bodine.

Seventh grade—Martin Hanson, Bob Hanson, Nehls Iverson, Jeff Johnson, Dave Silcox and Gary Asleson.

Coach Tom Pfaender has set up five tentative meets. The first was an invitational at Fairmont December 2. The first home meet was with Glencoe Dec. 12.

suited him nicely, but what kind of a Christmas present is that! The more I thought about my problem, the more puzzled I became, until one day I hit upon a solution. On Christmas Day, I am going to walk down the church aisle, kneel at the nativity scene, and give the baby Jesus my earnings, for after all, he is our reason for celebrating. Now that I made this decision, I could almost feel the Christmas Spirit flooding into me. And do you know something? I think this will be the nicest Christmas I have ever had. I hope it will be your nicest Christmas, too.

LITTLE MININ OUR CONTENDS

by Dick Bibler



F.H. RETZLAFF HDWE. CO. Over 65 Years of Service New Ulm Our Own Hardware Store	dead. Lay my shorthand at my side; Tell Mrs. Franklin that's why I died. With apologies to the Murray-Go- Round. Murray, Utah	pecially those about Tom Olson's certain weakness. 7. Bob Klessig—To improve my sense of humor so I can laugh at the teacher's jokes. 8. Patsy Boettger—To get on the honor roll. 9. Yvonne Anderson—Get along with Billy Meyer. 10. Craig Anderson—Give up girls		
SILVER LATCH CAFE Where Good Foods Are Prepared Better	Henle Drugs	in the future. 11. Mike Farrell—Have Mr. Ness quit mocking me in hostory. 12. Harold Drexler—Stop going with girls—one day or ,so.	"Now that we've finished the the next nineteen for tomorrow's	e first problem in class, we'll work
<b>Fesenmaier Hardware</b> Maytag and Frigidiare International-Harvester Stewart Paints	Woolworth's for	Alwin Electric Co. Your Westinghouse Dealer Phone 148	Muesing Drug Store We have it, will get it or, it isn't made.	Eichten's Shoe Store Make our store headquar- ters for all your footwear needs. X-Ray Shoe Fitting
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