

# 'Music Fills the Spheres' During Holiday Season

## Choir Preforms

Ding, dong! Merrily on high, the bells in heaven are ringing! Once again the bells rang with reverent joy and the cares of the year were laid away as Christmas revisited New Ulm High School on Sunday evening, December 16, when the annual Christmas program was given in the auditorium.

Amid the traditional Christmas settings, the musical groups presented their numbers, beginning with all groups singing, "Angels We Have Heard on High."

While tableaux with Sue Anderson as Mary, James Gostonezik as Joseph; John Schnobrich as Ga-

briel; Sandra Helget and Marilyn Gieseke, angels; and John Anderson, Bob Alfred and Hilarian Brey, shepherds, portrayed scenes of the Nativity, four senior high narrators—Jeanette Lang, Katherine Knopke, Tom Ginkel; and Janeen Onstine—read the Christmas message between the appearances of the various groups.

The Freshman Choir sang "I Amb of God," "The White Dove," and "Christmas Awake, Salute the Happy Morn." The Select Choir presented "It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas," "Sleigh Ride," "The Twelye Days of Christmas," "Beside Thy Cradle," and "The Door

of Heaven Opens." The Girls' Glee Club numbers included "Ding Dong! Merrily on High," "The Cherry Tree Carol," and "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." The Bel Canto sang "Willie, Take Your Drum," "Legend of the Sheep," "Winds Through the Olive Trees," and "He Shall Feed His Flock"; the Boys' Chorus numbers were "March of the Three Kings," "Silent Night," and "O Tannenbaum."

The program ended with all groups singing "O Come All Ye Faithful." Mrs. Wiechert and Mr. Jenson were in charge of the vocal groups and the narrators, respectively.

## Band Rehearses

With the aid of the stage crew directed by Mr. Jensen; the ushers, headed by Miss Franklin, and the recording by Mr. Blackstad, Mr. Strang and Mr. Iverson will conduct the annual Winter Band Concert, Sunday, January 19, 1964, at 8:00 P.M.

The program will begin with the Grade School Band, under the direction of Mr. Strang, playing "Step Along March" by Olivadoli, and will then follow with the "Skater's Waltz," by Waldtenfel; "Toyland Waltz," by Victor Herbert; "Entrance of the Mikado," by Gilbert and Sullivan; they will conclude their part of the program with the "Trophy Winner", a march by Frank.

Next on the program will be the Junior High School Band, who un-

der the direction of Mr. Iverson will play "Forward March," by Lester Brockton; "Civil War Suite," by Harold Walters; "The Green Leaves of Summer," by Dimitri Tumkin; "Appalachian Fantasy," by Philip Gordon; "Themes from Polovetsian Dances" (from the Opera "Prince Igor") by Alexander Borodin; and "Parade," by Jean Francis Dandrieu.

The remainder of the program will be presented by the Senior High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Strang. Their list of pieces include "Einzug's March," (from "Gypsy Baron") by Strauss; "The Invincible Eagle," a march by Sousa; "The Crosley March," composed by Fillmore; "Highlights from Camelot," by Lerner and Loewe; and a concert march, "Mount of Might," by Asterling.

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## Cast Begins Rehearsal Of Midsummer Night's Dream For One-act Contest Here

A cutting from the play *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will be presented by NUHS as its entrant in the one act play contest. This cutting is considered a play within a play, exposing some of the adventures of Pyramus and Thisby, two important characters.

The cast consists of six members, Tom Ginkel as Peter Quince; Dennis Kral as Snug; Willis Runck as Nick Bottom; Bill Chambard as Francis Flute; Richard Sundstrom as Tom Snout; and Don Brown as Robin Starveling. Mrs. Ackerson is the director; Janeen Onstine, assistant director; and Butch Burnett, technical director.

The District 10 contest will be held January 18 in the high school auditorium with Dr. Raymond Hammers of the University of Minnesota, Morris, as judge.

Tryouts for the play were held in the speech room December 5, 6, and 9. Both junior and senior high students were eligible.

## 145 Juniors Receive Smallpox Vaccination

When the small pox vaccinations were given December 9 some 145 juniors participated. Dr. Kaiser and Dr. Carthy administered the vaccinations in the school cafeteria.

## KNUJ Speak For Scholarship Begins; Lang First to Participate Locally

Jeanette Lang was the first of five students from NUHS to be selected to participate in the Speaking for a Scholarship program on KNUJ. She spoke on December 3. The program began Monday, December 2, and will continue through May.

Each school is allowed only five contestants and one finalist who will compete on May 1. Program director Perry Galvin, will select the finalist from each school.

## 'Melody Masters' Will Entertain With Spirituals

The "Melody Masters", a vocal quartet, will appear next on the list of attractions at NUHS auditorium, Tuesday, January 21 at 8:30 A.M.

This quartet places a heavy emphasis on the natural singing of spirituals. These four men sing of their own heritage in work songs and levee songs. Because of the requests of Midwest audiences, spirituals will make up the major part of their program.

Each member of the quartet has been featured with other outstanding negro groups in the country.

The Melody Masters was organized by Norris J. Strokes, who is remembered for his wuartet and solo appearances on the Al Pierce Show over NBC radio.

Among the students being considered as the other four contestants are Candy Stone, J. W. Burnett, Bill Chambard, Dick Kanstrup, and Willus Runck. Selection is to be made in January. There is a possibility that others may try out also.

The dates that the four will speak are January 14, February 10, March 6, and April 10.

Judging will be based on two things, 50 per cent content and 50 per cent presentation.

One scholarship of \$500 will be given to the winner. The winner may chose his or her own college, but it must be a two-year junior college or a full four-year college.

The runner-up school will receive a tape recording machine to further interest in speech work at that school.

## Fritsche Recieves DAR Good Citizen Certificate

Jane Fritsche has been named as Good Citizen of NUHS as a result of voting by members of the senior class and the faculty. She will receive a Good Citizen DAR Certificate and a Good Citizen Pin.

Jane's name will be sent to the district chairman of the DAR to be placed in competition with others in the district. The winners in the seven districts will be considered in the state competition. The final step is national.

## Class Officers Chosen For 63-64 School Year

Class officers for the 1963-64 school year in senior high were elected early in November. Tenth grade elected the following: president, Robert Bieraugel; vice president, George Wolf; and secretary-treasurer, Betty Christensen.

Eleventh grade, president, Allan Lambrecht; vice-president, Henry Frisch; secretary, Eileen Karl; and treasurer, Tom Noyes.

Twelfth grade, president, Mike Stewart; vice-president, Glen Peterson; secretary, Dolly Webster; and treasurer, Zana Lundeen.

## School Extends Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to David Brey, ninth grade, and to Dick Kanstrup, twelfth grade. Both boys' mothers died last week.

## Debaters Stage Public Debate

The question: That Social Security Benefits Should Be Extended To Include Complete Medical Care was discussed at a public debate staged by the NUHS Varsity Debate Squad, December 12, in the high school library at 7:30. This public debate served as a public relations gesture to give the parents of the debaters, and others, a chance to see what really happens at a debate.

Participants were as follows: Dave Schwartz, introductory remarks; Ben Pieser, John Schnobrich, affirmative; Greg Heille and Charles Forsberg, negative.

The squad attended a debate on December 14 at Loyola in Mankato.

Trips planned for the future include Albert Lea and Sibley, although these are not definite; January 17 and 18 to Saint Cloud; and on January 30 and February 1 to Saint Olaf. The trip to Saint Olaf will unofficially end the debate season, depending on how the debaters do at the regional contest to be held here on January 25.

## Crocker Test Given To 20 Senior Girls

The Betty Crocker test was taken by 20 senior girls on December 3.

The first part of the test was subjective and took about 35 minutes, and the second part was objective and took about 10 minutes to finish.

The topic of the test was "Why is it important to be a homemaker to be a mature person."



Student Council members spent one evening after school decorating the tree in the lower hall. Trimming the tree is an annual project of the group. From left to right are Duane Lambrecht, Kathy Nelson, Pat Korth (almost hidden), Mary Eyrich, Dorothy Young, and Tom Seifert.

## Tree, Decorations Put Up, But What Do They Mean?

Have you ever wondered where we got all the things that make Christmas what it is—things like the Christmas tree, star, lights, cards and most of all, Santa Claus?

There are several stories of the origin of the Christmas tree. One is that the Scandinavian people worshipped trees; and when the people became Christians, they kept their sacred evergreens as part of the feast of Christmas. The evergreens were decorated with fishing nets and little flags. The Germans, however, decorated their trees with stars, angels, toys, gilded nuts, and brightly wrapped candies.

Shining down from the top of the tree is the star that represents the one the three Wise Men followed to Bethlehem.

It is said that Martin Luther was the first person to put lights on a tree. These lights symbolize the many stars shining down over Bethlehem. Irish people, as well as others, leave a candle burning in their windows so the Christ Child



can find His way.

The origin of Christmas cards is disputed. Many give credit to William Egley, an English artist, who designed hundreds of cards and sent them to his friends instead of the regular hand-written notes of cheer.

The Yule Log came from the Norse and Anglo-Saxons who burnt a huge oak log once a year in honor of Thor, the thunder god. When they became Christians, they left the log as part of their Christian ceremonies.

No one knows definitely how the use of mistletoe was started. An-

cient Celtic priests used it for charms to give to people, and then hundreds of years ago it was found to be used in religious gatherings. Of course we all know what it is used for today.

Now we come to the most important symbol of Christmas. Santa Claus! His story really is quite simple. You see, the American children fell in love with the Sant Nicholas that the Dutch settlers in New York told them about. But when the children tried to pronounce his name, they found it too hard so they called him Santa Claus. The jolly old man we know today wasn't known until he was described in Clement C. Moore's "A Visit From St. Nicolas", which was later called "The Night Before Christmas."

We hope that this article helps you understand why you are putting up the tree and decorating it and why hundreds of William Egley's invention come pouring into your mail box each Christmas.



### Fairmont Triumphs Over NUHS, 59-46

New Ulm bowed to Fairmont 59-46 here Friday, December 6.

Fairmont bounced out ahead in the first period to get a nine-point lead over the Eagles, and to dominate them throughout the game by both shooting and rebounding.

New Ulm once edged up on Fairmont 15-12 by using a half-court press.

After that the Fairmont team led by from 10 to 16 points throughout the remainder of the game.

High scoring for Fairmont was done by Wiltmer with 16, while Dan Loose scored 10 points for New Ulm.

	FG	FL	TP	R
Bleick	3-6	3-6	9	6
Wieland	3-11	3-4	10	3
Romberg	0-2	0-1	0	0
Loose	5-12	0-0	10	7
Cunningham	2-6	1-2	5	3
Gulden	0-4	2-4	2	4
Koeckeritz	0-0	0-0	0	2
Wiesner	4-9	0-2	8	5
Frisch	0-0	0-1	0	3
Silcox	0-0	2-2	2	0
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Sprengler	0-1	0-0	0	0
Plagge	0-0	1-2	1	1



Kathleen Mack, Sandra Lundholm, Lois Hesse, and Linda Luepke pose for the photographer after modeling their suits at the winter style show.

### Fighting NUHS Five Steal Victory from Sleepy Indians

The New Ulm Eagles edged the Sleepy Eye Indians 49-47 at Sleepy Eye, November 26.

Sleepy Eye led by 5 points with 5 minutes left in the game, but long shots by Ron Wieland and Dan Loose kept New Ulm fighting down to the end; the score was tied 44-44 with 4 minutes left on the clock.

The ball changed hands frequently in the last 4 minutes without success, but with about 2 minutes to go Loose was fouled and made two free throws. That put New Ulm ahead for good. Meyer for Sleepy Eye got one free throw back, but Wieland scored right after that for New Ulm, 48-47.

With less than a minute left New Ulm tried to stall; but with 11 seconds to go, Loose was fouled and scored the first of two free throws to make it 49-47.

Loose and Wieland were top scorers for New Ulm, Loose with 16 points and Wieland with 14, while Meyer of Sleepy Eye topped all scorers with 22 points.

Sleepy Eye made costly mistakes in the final minutes to give New Ulm an opportunity they took advantage of.

	FG	FT	TP	R
New Ulm	11-11	13-14	49	
Sleepy Eye	14-10	12-12	47	
New Ulm	FG	FT	TP	R
Wiesner	0-4	0-0	0	1
Silcox	0-0	0-0	0	0
Frisch	1-3	0-0	2	3
Romberg	3-7	0-0	6	5
Wieland	7-13	0-2	14	3
Bleick	2-10	2-3	6	8
Gulden	2-7	1-3	5	5
Loose	5-9	6-3	16	3
Cunningham	0-4	0-0	0	2
Totals	20-62	9-15	49	30

### NUHS Wrestlers Lose, But Improvement Noted

Improvement was noted, even though Redwood downed NUHS grapplers, 36-12 at Redwood, December 2.

With Greg Burdick, Dale Lietzau, Tom Noyes and Dean Falk all getting decisions at NUHS's second dual meet, the team's score rose over the score received at St. James, November 26.

Arlyn Keute and Jerry Sandau racked up all the "B" team points for NUHS. Arlyn pinned his man, while Jerry got a decision.

### GAA Plans to Tumble, Bowl After Christmas

GAA girls seem to be resting up for the bowling tournaments after Christmas.

"Non-GAA members may also form a team if interested," stated Miss Mueller.

Tumbling and working on the various apparatus for the GAA girls will also start after Christmas, on Saturdays.

The annual playday will be held at the Mankato State College, January 18. Girls may sign up at any time now, but only ten girls from each class may attend.

### Hutchinson Wins At Wrestling Meet

Although NUHS wrestling team lost to Hutchinson here December 10, 42-6, Dean Falk and Tom Noyes added another win to their records.

Dean and Tom lead the "A" squad in the number of individual wins; each have two.

Four "B" squaders scored team points: Jay Wentz and Ben Stadick by pins, Tom Peterson by a decision, and Greg Roiger by a tie.



by Butch Burnett

We got a letter in the office last week (a real one) addressed to the sports editor, journalism dept., NUHS. After a long and tedious search for the sports editor of this paper, we finally decided to steam open the letter and sneak a look at its contents. What we found may be interesting.

A new state-wide newspaper has been recently been put into operation. Its name is the **Minnesota SportsLite** and its primary purpose is (to quote the letter) "to give comprehensive coverage to all Minnesota high school sports." Local papers, the publishers feel, do not do this well enough.

This weekly paper will be sold for fifteen cents per copy or seven dollars a year. In part this money will go for the payment of cash prizes to the ten best sports stories and ten best sports pictures submitted to them each month. Eventually they hope to have full time reporters in each district, but right now the need for writers is great. More information about this new paper will appear in the first issue on January 1, 1964. If you are interested, contact Gary T. Johnston, LeSueur High School, LeSueur, Minnesota.

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Marvin Romberg Jr. has been complaining that wrestlers get better treatment than anybody else in this column. So to satisfy Marvin Romberg Jr., we have decided to give credit where credit is due: Congratulations to the gymnasts on their 210-8 romp over Willmar. How's that, Marvin?

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Some of the "sports" in the Friday first-aid class struck upon an ingenious system two weeks ago. They discovered that, since two bells rang during fourth hour, the clock could be set so that the first bell would ring when the clock showed dismissal time. When the bell did ring, their German guard at the Emerson 2 concentration camp would never know what happened.

As zero hour approached, snickers spread across the room and heads nodded to one another as if in silent signal. The clock slowly ticked off the remaining seconds. . . .7. . .6 . . .5. . .4. . .3. . .2. . .1 The bell sounded! Over thirty prisoners rushed toward the door as one! The plan was a success!

Later some prisoners returned of their own free will and were treated liberally, emerging only slightly bruised. Those that did not return spent some time in the guardhouse in room 201. The Great Escape was over.

### Grapplers Drop Season Opener To Saint James

St. James pinned NUHS wrestlers to a 41-5 loss at the season's opening match at St. James, November 26.

Only NUHS team points came from Chuck Shay's comeback effort of a 14-2 deficit to pin his opponent in the 103-pound class. Arlyn Keute and John Albrecht were the only other grapplers to score match points.

The "B" squad lost 57-2. Greg Roiger in the 145 point class tied his man, getting the only team points. The remainder of the squad was pinned.

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## Girls Top Boys On Honor Roll Again

This may be a man's world, but the women are on top, perhaps not so much in brawn as in brains. Of the eighty-six students on the senior high honor roll, 58 are girls and 28 are boys.

On the "A" are seniors, none; juniors, Henry Frisch and Roger Schmid; sophomore, Connie Johns.

On the "A" average: seniors, Jane Fritsche and Jeanette Lang; juniors, Bruce Burdorf, Sylvia Dethmers, Eileen Karl, Thomas Lendt, John Schnobrich; sophomores, Cathy Anderson, Jan Hagg, Robert Hogg, Ruth Klossner, Katherine Knopke, Quentin Onstine, Dave Schwartz, Ruth Webster.

Those on the "B" are the following: seniors, Kay Aufderheide, Dinah Cordes, Kathleen Cordes, Anita Hesse, Linda Holland, Avery Knopke, Zana Lundeen, Ben Pieser, Janet Roberts, Pamela Schlottman, Patricia Wandersee, Ronald Wieland; juniors, Sue Anderson, Kathryn Ballard, Patricia Drexler, Charles Forsberg, Tom Hinkel, Greg

Heille, Jeanett Hopp, Kenneth Lang, Linda Luepke, Diane Marier, Elizabeth Newman, Mary Ann Schirlinger, Shirley Wager; sophomores, Sharon Albrecht, Jerylyn Berentson, Diana Bergstrom, Paulette Boack, Janice Femrite, Donna Fischer, Myrene Jones, George Marti, Donald Nelson, Kathy Nelson, Steven Plautz, Cheryl Roberts, Michael Rolloff, James Schiller.

Those students on the "B" average are: seniors, Joseph Burnett, Jo Ellen Christiansen, John Erickson, Judy Fehlman, Sharon Hogfoss, Patricia Korth, Penny Olson, Mary Ellen Scheibel, Robert Schirlinger, Candyce Stone, Jane Vogel, Dolly Webster; juniors, Patrick Boesch, Jean Eyrich, Jane Gaut, Neil Gulden, Linda Haire, Allan Lamprecht, James Matteson, Tom Noyes, Pauline Precht, Ann Schaefer, Marjorie Seitz, Robert Tanley, All Wentz; sophomores, Ann Fesenmaier, Bret Steiner, Sally Vogel, Roger Zahn and Roberta Lieberman.

## FFA Breaks Record; Rolloff Wins Contest

The New Ulm Future Farmers of America chapter membership has reached a record high enrollment for the 1863-64 year of 91 boys.

Membership has increased nearly three-fold under FFA advisor Ed Fier in seventeen years. When Mr. Fier took over the job in 1946, there were 34 boys enrolled in the chapter. Last year the enrollment was 80 boys and this year, 91.

In individual achievements, Carl Rolloff, for the second straight year, won the high school division of the Brown County Soil Conservation District speaking contest at Sleepy Eye. Carl's speech was on "Soil and Water Conservation: My Responsibility." He received a ten dollar prize for his accomplishment. Carl, a senior, is president of the FFA.

Paul Brandel placed second in the junior high school division at the same event. He received five dollars for his efforts.

Rolloff represented the district at the regional soil conservation speaking contest at Waseca where he placed third.

Roger Wellmann and Rolloff represented the New Ulm chapter at the annual parent-son banquet at St. James High School on December 7.

Roger Besemer represented the New Ulm chapter at the district cow-clipping contest, placing third.

On December 3, the New Ulm Rotary Club invited the senior members of the chapter and their Dads to dinner.

## Students to Visit Florida, Bahamas

by John Schnobrich

With all my problems, I count myself lucky. My parents, my two brothers, Todd and Mark, and I have decided after much changing and reversing of plans, to go to Florida during vacation. We were planning to go many places but we finally had to take a vote. Everyone wanted to go someplace different, but somehow, we ended up going where my father wanted to go.

Our plans are to leave on Friday the 20th. We are going to drive, because of all the side trips we want to take on the way. If all plans hold, we intend to spend Christmas in the British Bahamas, flying there from Florida.

After a long hard trip, which I know will be exciting and interesting, we will return on January 5 to start the old grind again.

## Thoughtful Students Add Seasonal Spirit

The true spirit of Christmas is in the blood of Miss Berberich's eighth and ninth grade English classes.

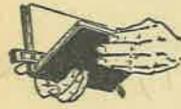
According to Miss Berberich, when the students found that they could not have a Christmas party or exchange gifts, they decided to give food and money to the JC Christmas fund.

Two of the five classes are bringing non-perishable food or canned goods, while the other three are bringing money. It is estimated that about \$35 will come in, with each child bringing from fifty cents to a dollar.

The Christmas packages will be delivered some time next week.

## The Book Nook

by Linda Haire



Some definitions of poetry: "If I read a book and it makes my whole body so cold no fire can ever warm me, I know it is poetry."—Emily Dickinson.

"Poetry is a language that tells us, through a more or less emotional reaction, something that cannot be said."—E. A. Robinson.

Reading poetry is a very personal thing. By the very nature of a poem, it means a different thing to each individual. No one can dogmatically state what any poem means. Even the poets sometimes don't interpret their works. Archibald MacLiesh sums it up when he says, "A poem should not mean, but be."

Most everyone has favorite poets. My favorite poets are the ones who say things that I wish I had said.

Ezra St. Vincent Millay writes with a subtle touch and bright imagery that makes new a favorite with many. She writes of nature's beauty, of love, and of death.

Sara Teasdale is another of the great women poets. One of her special themes is the importance of beauty.

Vachel Lindsay is a very exciting poet. His poems were written for reading aloud. He skillfully uses the tools of rhyme, rhythm, alliteration, and onomatopoeia.

Walt Whitman's poetry is extremely powerful. His *Leaves of Grass* is a monumental work of the Civil War. Whitman forsook traditional forms to start a new kind of poetry—a free, un-rhymed type. Carl Sandburg, especially, has followed his method.

Ogden Nash is a giant of light verse. He has written many tremendously popular books of fresh, original rhymes. He has created many patterns (or non-patterns!), and even some new words.

There is a poet and a poem for everyone. So why not spend next Sunday afternoon with a poetry anthology? You never know.

## Declam Contest To Be At Gibbon

Declamation activities have begun for the year, with thirty-six students, freshmen through seniors, participating.

Many have already begun to prepare for the sub-district contest to be held March 14 at Gibbon. The district contest will be held on Apr 4 at Redwood Falls; the region contest, at Montevideo April 9; and the state contest, at Hamline University, April 18.

Declam activities include humorous and serious interpretation, storytelling, discussion, memorized and original oratory and extemporaneous speaking and reading. The coaches are Mr. Oien, Mrs. Ackerson, Miss Berberich, and Miss Reinhart.

## Woodchopper's Ball Planned For Jan. 25

Get out those costumes! No, not for a late Halloween party, but for NUHS's annual Woodchopper's Ball on January 25, at 8:15 p.m.

Music will be provided by the Le Sueur Swing Band as part of an exchange plan. The NUHS Swing Band will play for a school dance in Le Sueur on December 21.

Prizes will be awarded to the couple with the most original costumes; to the single girl and single boy for the most original costumes; to the individual with the most beautiful costume; and to the individual with the most humorous costume.

The price of admission will be 30 cents for a single person and 50 cents for a couple.

## 27 to Tour Mexico During Holidays

It will be sunny Mexico, during Christmas vacation, for twenty-seven teachers, parents, and students from the New Ulm area. The group includes a large number of teachers and students at NUHS; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Olson, and Penny; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Epp, Jeanne and Judy; Miss Ellen Mueller, Miss Fran Piehl, Jane and Kathy Fritsche, Anita Hesse, Carol Lindquist, Jack Aaker, and Tom McCleary.

According to Mr. Pfaender, tour manager, the group will leave December 20 and will spend time in Monterey, Mexico City, Acapulco, and Taxco, before returning home January 4.

## Private Resolutions Now Revealed

Everybody makes resolutions that they tell everybody like "I shall do better this six weeks." But what about the private resolutions, the kind you never tell anybody? Here are some that the GRAPHOS has found out about.

Tom Ginkel—I resolve to wash my hair at least 3 times a week.

Mr. Werner—I will play "Swedish Rhapsody" at least 2 times a day.

Dennis Kral—I resolve to eat only five meals a day.

Mr. Jensen—I do hereby resolve to smile at the second semester classes, no matter what happens.

Tim Silcox—I resolve to be quiet during study halls.

Miss Raverty—I resolve to give only six tests a week.

Kathy Anderson—I resolve to clean out my locker.

Mrs. Ackerson—I resolve to put away a much bigger supply of aspirin before we start another play.

Linda Haire—I resolve to re-analyze Santa Claus.

Sharon Ackerson—I resolve to see Mr. Werner's gownless evening strap.

Tom Dyre—I resolve to hold on to the gymnastic equipment a little tighter.

Jack Aaker—I resolve to win a debate.

Liz Newman—Resolved to stop making resolutions.

Bill Radke—Resolved to come to school more than 1/2 second before the bell rings.

## Senior writes Poem "If It Had Only Rained"

This poem was written by a senior boy on the day that President Kennedy was assassinated.

IF IT HAD ONLY RAINED! The day began like all other days, He did things in his care-free ways. The rain now had started to slow, As this great man decided to go. The sun was shining brightly now, For the clouds had slipped away somehow.

The top was removed from his limousine,

So by the crowds, he could be seen. The crowd was greater than was estimated,

His safety by some was being debated.

But he told them not to worry or fear,

For help would always be very near.

"The people are there to see me," he remarked.

And on his final journey he embarked.

"See," he said, with a smile so wide, "There is nothing to fear, no reason to hide."

"This is America, a land so free and dear;

Nothing wrong or very bad could ever happen here."

He was waving proudly at the crowd,

As a shot rang out—not very loud.

The shot had struck him fatally, And to the hospital they went hastily.

The doctors worked hard to keep the man alive,

But John Kennedy died so world peace could survive.

It couldn't be in our time, it was said;

So tell me now, why is he dead?

## Private Resolutions Now Revealed

Charles Forsberg—I resolve to make a resolution that will both help me, and amuse me, and will be educational at the same time.

Jim Stegeman—Resolved to land on his feet after a handspring.

Bruce Melzer—Resolved not to give Mrs. Ackerson as bad a time as he gave Mr. Jenson.

Joe Minnick—I resolve to be the perfect student.

First hour German class—We resolve to laugh at all of Mr. Werner's jokes.

Mary Eyrich—Resolved to make only non-breakable resolutions.

Jerry Sandau—Resolved to win something in PHY. ED.

First hour Chemistry class—Resolved to listen to the teacher.

## Psych Class Visits St. Peter Hospital

"A visit to the St. Peter State Mental Hospital is truly an experience," report members of the Psychology class. The 28-member class and their instructor, Mr. Oien, toured the hospital the morning of Monday, December 9. The group was shown the hospital's facilities and equipment and was allowed to tour several of the wards.

This is the second trip the Psychology class has made this year, in an effort to make their study of human behavior more vivid.

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