

## National Honor Society Introduced Here *Santa Claus Arrives In City Today At 2:00 P. M.* Dual Cast Is Selected For "WHAT A LIFE"

### Faculty Committee To Select Members

In 1921 the American Torch Society, now the National Honor Society, was established. To create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership and to develop character are the purposes of the organization. The recognition bestowed upon students who gain admittance to the society is one of great honor.

This year New Ulm High School will become a chapter in the National Honor Society. On the basis of scholarship, service, leadership, and character, a faculty committee will elect students to the organization. Pupils eligible for membership must be in the upper third of their class, and of the entire senior class no more than fifteen per cent may be chosen. These students must have attended this school one year. When the first semester marks have been determined, these students will be selected.

Some of the main advantages of the society are as follows:

1. It sets standards for the ideal school student.
2. Rank, rather than marks, determines eligibility scholastically.
3. It is very flexible.
4. Its national scope gives it significance and prestige.
5. It is an educational agency because of the opportunities in its constructive program.

One of the neighboring schools which belong to the National Honor Society will conduct the initiation of our members.

### Christmas Parties Again Underway

"Deck the halls with boughs of holly 'Fa, la la, la, la la, la la la."

A festive air penetrates the monotony of waiting for Christmas vacation as various clubs and organizations plan their annual Christmas parties.

Monday, December 9, the members of the P.T.A. will forget business and enjoy a holiday party.

Kappa Gamma Beta Boys' Club awaits December 11 as the evening of its yuletide celebration. A big feed is promised the members.

"Here we go 'round the Christmas tree, the Christmas tree, the Christmas tree" will be the theme song at

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"You better watch out,  
You better not cry,

Yes, Santa is coming to town today at 2:00 P. M. and is giving the kiddies a big Christmas party. The performance will be held on Center and Minnesota streets on a huge stage. Santa Claus will arrive by streamlined reindeer.

There will be a sound truck from which the music will be furnished. A piano will be in the sound truck, so small singing groups from the Lutheran

You better not pout,  
I'm telling you why,"

school, Trinity school, and our high school can furnish music between the acts. The sound truck will tour the city stopping at various places including the hospitals.

Among the outstanding acts will be the dog review. A dog wedding will be staged and a dog will perform on parallel bars.

All students will be excused from school at 2 00 P. M.

### December 19 To Be Grand Performance

December 18 and 19 will be the nights on which the play, *What A Life*, will be produced under the direction of R. J. Sutherland, speech Director of New Ulm High School. For most of the juniors it will be their first public appearance.

Because of the fact that students trying out for various roles have



L. to R. front row: E. Kretsch, D. Dirks, H. Woebke, B. Dannheim, C. Merkel, L. Kneess, M. Marti, D. Oswald, G. Veigel, J. Bosel, K. Baril.

L. to R. back row: P. Lingenhag, O. Abraham, R. Freese, E. Marinka, G. Stoltenburg, J. Yost, D. Graves, G. Wagner, D. Paige, W. Penkert, R. Teynor, F. Iseli, H. Evenson, R. Kimler, T. Pivonka.

### 1940 Graduates Show Their Talent

Two more of last spring's graduates are climbing the ladder of success and fame. Marion Dietz, who was active in speech work and is especially remembered for her fine performance in the class play, *Our Town*, has been pledged to the Mask and Dagger dramatic club. This is one of the leading clubs at Mankato Teachers' College.

George Olsen, remembered for his fire on the football and debate squads, has been elected vice-president of the freshman class at Gustavus Adolphus college at St. Peter. He is also participating in debate work.

### Nephew Of Aguinaldo, Phillipine Leader, Addresses Students

"From 82 to 87% of the population of the Philippine Islands do not want independence," stated Dr. Aguinaldo. Three questions—what political groups say, what they want, what the majority want — were brought up as topics of discussion. He also discussed their school system compared to ours. For instance, subjects such as chemistry, biology and Latin are compulsory and have to be taken "whether they like it or not." Compulsory for boys is domestic science in which they take up needle work as well as cooking. In a joking fashion he demonstrated how useful cooking can be when the wife goes on a sit-down-strike.

Another subject of discussion was about the girls in the Philippines. He stated that his two sisters even cut off their hair in a boyish bob; and when they walked down the street, one couldn't tell whether they were "feminine or neuter gender."

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shown equal ability, a dual cast has been chosen so all have the opportunity to perform.

### Parents To Be Guests At F. F. A. Banquet

Mothers and fathers will be the guests of their sons at the annual F. F. A. banquet to be held Thursday, December 12, in the cafeteria at 6:30 o'clock.

The arrangement of the program has been left to the program committee, consisting of Eldon Le Bert, chairman, Warren Hippert and Melvin Steward. Mr. Hodgson, superintendent of the experiment station at Waseca, will be guest speaker, and Mr. Andrews will talk to the boys and their parents. Reports will be given by the boys that went to Kansas City, and Vernon Mack will show the moving pictures he took on that trip.

"Life is not so short but that there is always time for courtesy."

Emerson

# THE GRAPHOS



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## Where Is Your Spirit?

What's the matter with N. U. H. S. dances? A solid, unbroken row of females protects one wall while just opposite an equally long row of "stags" is found. Dotted the dance floor are a few exclusive little circles, the N. U. H. S. cliques, who keep interchanging dances all evening.

Can't something be done about this? Boys! Where's the old vigor, vim and vitality the male is supposed to possess? It's not present when the wall of timidity and pride stays put and he is afraid to ask a girl to dance. Try out that row of feminines and see whether you can't find one in the entire lineup that suits your taste. And if you don't, what have you lost?

Girls! Don't look so bored when the dream man doesn't come up to ask you to dance. The little neighbor boy might not be a handsome Romeo, but he could possess nimble feet, and after all beauty is only skin deep.

Cliques! Break up occasionally. Give the favorite girl or boy friend a chance to dance with others for a while. Fewer cliques make for more democratic relationships in a high school, don't they?

Dear Editor:

The New Ulm High School gym team has been in full swing for some time and it is about time that we let the students in high school know how the team is getting along. The gym team this year is one of the best we have had in years. The team has lost three or four veterans, but new material has been discovered, and most of the top-notchers from last year are still on the team. Mr. Thomas Pfander, who is in charge of the gym team, has said that the team will compete against other schools and also enter in the northwest gym meet, which will be held in Minneapolis sometime in February or March. A Reader.

## Christmas Party

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the all-school Christmas party given by the seniors Saturday evening, December 14. A well-known orchestra will furnish the music.

Under the guiding hand of Miss Fisher, the Fri-Le-Ta Girls' Club will frolic and exchange Christmas gifts on December 18. The seniors have charge of the entertainment.

This year the wives of the faculty men have charge of the faculty Christmas party on December 19. Mrs.

## EXIT

- \* Nov. 26 Cushing-Hutton Duo
- \* 27 First basketball game—Winthrop—here
- \* 28 Junior Class Card Party
- \* 29 F. F. A. Dance
- \* Dec. 3 American Historical Exhibit
- \* 4 Fri Le Ta Meeting

## Hobbies Of He-Men

Everybody collects something—if only dust. Some people collect dolls, dogs, stamps, autographs, butterflies, and so on, ad infinitum.

Of course, there are some who can never make up their minds as to what they should collect. Take, for instance, the sad case of Richard Engel. He started collecting at an early age. What did he collect? Toys! This is not so strange since most of us collected toys when we were small. However, this fancy passed with time, and collecting stamps took its place. Richard collected stamps for some time then he grew bored and collected toy dogs and other animals. He collected toy animals until he found he wasn't getting enough of them for birthdays to pay. So-c-o-o-o-o-o, he collected 1940 pennies.

One day Richard made a startling discovery namely that it takes one-hundred pennies to make one dollar but only twenty nickels. As soon as Richard made this discovery, he could see that he had been wasting his time for if he had a nickel for every penny, he would have two dollars and fifty cents. Now Richard is collecting Jefferson nickels. No one knows how long this will last, and no one knows what he will collect next.

Another such case is Oren Abraham. Though his record, since to date he has collected only post marks and bottles, is not so grand as Richard's we have high hopes for Oren's future collecting life.

Henry Hambrecht has only one love—in the collecting world. He collects match books. So far he has seven thousand different kinds of match books. Whew! We didn't know there were so many.

## BASSETT WINS AGAIN

Huntley Prah and Coach Bassett had different views on the outcome of the Army-Navy football game last Saturday. A bet resulted. Coach Bassett favoring Navy, and Prah choosing Army to win. A trip on hands and knees, carrying the winner of the bet around the gymnasium, was the penalty for the loser. Navy won 18 to 0. Coach Bassett, have you had your ferryboat excursion around the gym? If not, Prah had better be on the lookout. Coach isn't so light in weight as he might look.

Little fly upon the wall  
 Ain't you got no home at all?  
 No mama, no papa?  
 You wanna go to heaven?  
 Squish.

## ENTER

- \* Tonight Lamberton there
- \* Dec. 11 Kappa Gamma Beta Christmas meeting
- \* 12 F. F. A. Banquet
- \* 14 Christmas Dance
- \* 15 Concert at 3 P. M.
- \* 18-19 Junior Class Play—"What a Life"

## Quoty Quotes

By the Mastermind

"I came, I saw, I conquered" can be applied to newcomer Lorraine Fartman, who has certainly come, must have seen, and is said to have conquered the one and only heart of Bob Gislason. Caesar

"They never fail who die in a great cause." With a mixture of feeling akin to pity in our hearts we dedicate this to the senior social classes who are struggling to complete their house plans for their "hemes to be" in the hope that it will gird them on to victory. Byron

As unwilling footsteps turn in the direction of the detention room unseen voices of past victims are heard to chant, "All hope abandon, ye who enter here." Dante

"Get thee behind me, Satan," muttered Carol Marti while headed for dcom because of Mr. Ciernia's soaped door handles. New Testamer t

Our esteemed drum corps might well take this little quotation to heart: "Practice is the best of all instructors." Publius Cyrus

To you freshies of the present and to those who have gone before, we say [especially the milk and water part]:

"O Mirth and Innocence!"  
 O milk and water!  
 Ye happy mixtures of mre  
 happy days. Byron  
 Ode to exams past!! "Cudgel thy brains no more about it!" Shakespeare

Could our favorite, Byron, have had the boys' home ec. class in mind when he made the statement, "Besides they always smell like bread and water"?

## VALUABLE EXHIBIT DISPLAYED HERE

Twenty-five thousand dollars is the amount of insurance placed on the priceless American Historical Exhibit which was displayed here Tuesday. Among the most valuable articles in the collection was one of the three existing lists of dead and wounded at the Battle of Concord, a document valued at fivethousand dollars.

The collection was started in 1834 and is now under the direction of Mr. Vaughn, national field secretary, who has been in history research work for twenty-two years.

The exhibit came to New Ulm through the school assembly service and continued to the State Teachers' College at Winona.

## Corny Cracks

By Cobina and Co.

The school idiot [Flea Christiansen] stood over the water fountain with his fishing rod and line in hand. An incoming visitor, dropping a quarter in his worm can, asked:

"How many have you caught young man?"

"You are the third," was the reply.

We wouldn't bat an eyelash if sunflowers started growing out of Anton Eckstein's ears. He has fallen prey to those mammoth pickle bags of sunflower seeds and practically forces them on his helpless chemistry classmates, notwithstanding the fact that his face changed to a brilliant red hue when Mr. Ciernia greedily grabbed them away. We wouldn't know where they are now but suspect them to be floating around in the vicinity of Mr. C's solar plexus.

Seldom seen apart!!!! [Ahem!!!!]

Norman Machaus-Bernadette Dorn  
 Ray Reed-Toris Gronau  
 Ray Lauts-Dolores Oswald  
 Ralph Krueger-Elvera Kunz

Three cheers for the knitting section at the Winthrop-New Ulm game! Knit one! Purl two! "At any rate we'll get our Christmas presents done," Miss Kittel was quoted as saying in defense of herself.

The balcony of the New Ulm theater is the weekly scene of a timely romance. Bob Herzog and Shirley Loose are said to be the star performers.

Mr. Dirks: The smallest things seem to bother my wife. She was doing a crossword puzzle and she asked me, "What is a female sheep?" I said, "Ewe," and she burst into tears.

Mickey Schauer is redoubling her efforts to win the "boss's son," John Griffith.

CWAZY CUOTES, three cute little sentences, are snatched from the **Mankato High News**. All credit is given the fertile masterbrain of M. H. S.'s feature writer. Could be we should get a syndicated column from them.

CWAZY CUOTES:  
 Said the cucumber to the vinegar, "A fine pickle you got me into."  
 Said one tire to another, "Stop squealing, you get all the brakes."  
 Said one fire to another, "You remind me of an old flame."

## Nephew Of

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He imitated our mode of dancing, "jitterbugging," which they also copied.

Dr. Aguinaldo, a nephew of General Aguinaldo, Phillipine leader, is an instructor at Penn University and is touring the United States lecturing in an effort to promote friendly relations between the United States and the islands.

Some of our reporters personally interviewed Mr. Aguinaldo, who stated, "I wish to extend my thanks to the instructors and the student body for their kind attention during my visit."

### Are You Planning To Go To College?

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<b>Total</b>	<b>303.00</b>

**2. Student Employment**  
The college endeavors to find employment for all worthy students who cannot otherwise attend.

The classes of '16, '17, '19, '33 and '37 left as their class memorials an aggregate sum of approximately thirteen hundred dollars to be used as a student loan fund.

**3. Honor Point System**  
Honor points are determined on the basis of marks. For each quarter-hour credit of A quality, students receive three honor points; of B quality two honor points; and of C quality, one honor point. Work of D quality commands no honor points and for each quarter of E quality, one honor point is deducted.

**4. Graduation Requirements**  
Graduation from four-year curriculums is based upon the earning of 12 quarter-hour credits. Two majors or one major and two minors outside the division are required for graduation.

Graduation from the two-year curriculums is based upon the earning of 96 quarter-hour credits.

In order to be graduated from the college, a student must have as many honor points as he has quarter-hour credits.

### HIDDEN TALENT EXPOSED

If you heard hilarious laughter or thunderous applause coming from within the closed doors of the cafeteria, you may be curious to know what was taking place. Many talented junior girls were the contestants in a Major Bowes amateur program.

Before the close of the program

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### Speech Students To Have Busy Year

Debate teams in the N. U. H. S are ready for action and, so they hope, for a successful year. All contest plans have been arranged according to the following schedule:

Mankato, Nov. and Dec.: Debate.  
Brookings, Dec. 13 and 14: Memorized Poetry, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking, Discussion, Debate.  
Worthington, Jan. 18: Debate. Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking.

New Ulm, Jan. 23: Debate.  
Minneapolis, Jan. 31: Debate, Declamation.

Gustavus College, Feb. 7, 8: Debate, Original Oratory.

N. F. L. Tournament, Minneapolis April 2, 3, 4: Debate, Declamation, Poetry Reading, Original Oratory, Oratory, Student Congress.

Sub District Declam, Dec. 24: Declamation, Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Oratory.

District Declam, place undecided March 3: Same as for Sub District.

Regional Declam, New Ulm [?] March 10: Same as for Sub District and District.

Regional Debate, place undecided Deadline: Debate.

Siegel Trophy Contest, Feb. 13: Declamation, Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Oratory.

the girls drew names for the exchange of gifts for their annual Christmas party on December 18. The plans hint at a gay, fun packed, better-than-ever Fri-Le-Ta party.

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### CARD PARTY SUCCESS JUNIORS CLEAR \$25

As a result of the card party held Thursday of last week, the junior class is richer by about twenty-five dollars.

Prizes at the card party were won by R. A. Schmucker, contract bridge; H. A. Dirks and Mrs. Graunke, 500; Mrs. Puhlman, auction bridge; Mrs. W. A. Dannheim and Bern Johnson, Schafskopf. Door prizes were won by Mrs. Puhlman. Mrs. W. A. Dannheim, Mrs. Frank Guldan, Viola Bechel, and Verne Johnson.

The junior class is grateful to the following New Ulm merchants for their generosity in donating prizes: Pinks, The Bee Hive, Olson Drugs, Backers Drugs, Muesing Drugs, Schleuders, Raleighs, Reliable Drugs, Salets, Epple Drugs, and Henle Drugs.

A lunch of coffee, cake, cookies, and sandwiches was served by members of the junior class.

Those many excellent, colorful, masterpieces of art displayed in the library for the past week prove what talent girls and boys from grades one through

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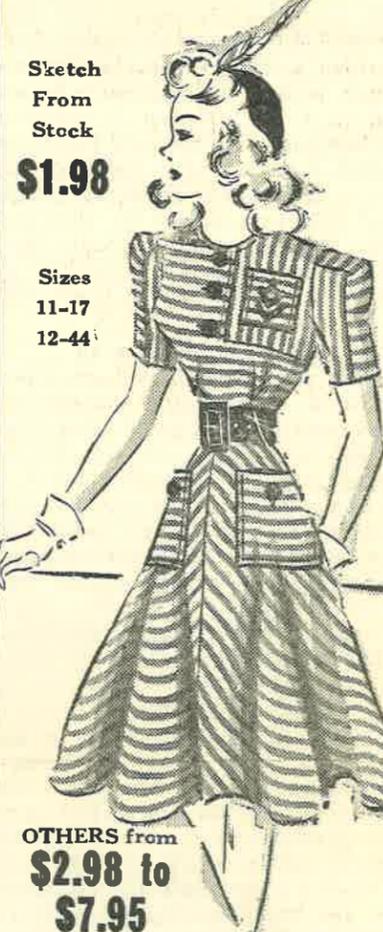
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# Eagles Are Impressive In Initial Cage Win

## Lamberton Tonight

"Now to take Lamberton," was the shout raised by the Eagle hoopsters after a rather easy Winthrop win. Lamberton presented two strong teams to the Eagles last year. No doubt this year they will present two more strong teams for the Eagles to face. As you probably know, Lamberton's coach is Edor Nelson, better known as "Red Hot" Nelson, of Augsburg college fame. He not only knows the game, but has many tricks up his sleeve to turn loose against the purple and white boys through his black and gold Lamberton cagers. Eagle fans, check your schedule for the date of this game. It's tonight at Lamberton.

### Fairfax December 13

Last year the Fairfax team, which appeared in the district tournament, was small but very good. New Ulm makes this town a new stop on its annual tour of surrounding towns.

Fairfax was well coached and very fast last year and by all means will not be a pushover for the 1940-41 Eagle cagers. This team still has the services of pudgy, left-handed, Bruce Frank, a smart, well coordinated, "Deadeye Dick" at center.

### Whiffs From Winthrop

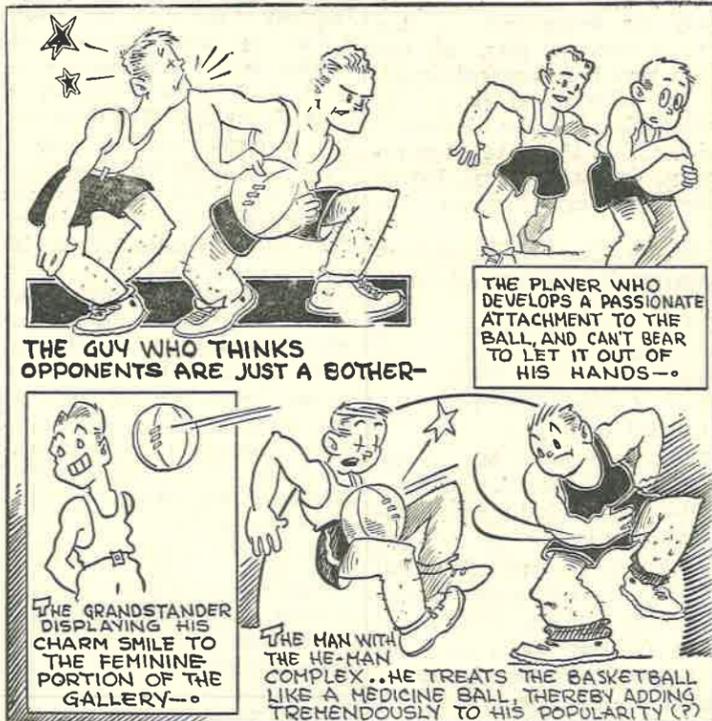
Many statements were made on the exhibition which the Eagles' cage teams put on against Winthrop. The new boys, who had never before played a first-string game, created the spark that over-scored Winthrop.

These boys are Gislason, Prahl, Backer, and Rich Kennedy. Cal Backer was the hot shot of the evening's game, sinking seven long shots for a total of 14 points.

Bob Gislason was a thorn in Winthrop's side throughout the game. He would stretch his six-foot-two-inch body in all directions to get the ball, and he did get it as every onlooker could tell you.

The players who had played before seemed to be the better on defense, with Bob Gerber, "Flea" Christianson, Harry Kennedy, and "Hank" Hambrecht doing the honors.

Winthrop never had the Eagles in trouble during the game. The Eagles had a distinct advantage in height. New Ulm's tallest player was 6'2" in height and Winthrop's only 5'11".



## SIX-FOOT-TWO PLAYS LIKE—[Phew!!!]

Robert Gislason, lanky center of the New Ulm Eagles, decided it was too hard to dribble a basketball, so he took the ball out of an opposer's hands and ran down the floor with it. After Gislason started on his mighty run, the crowd started to laugh; and Bob politely threw the ball back to Winthrop. Bob's nickname has now been changed from "Gaffy" to "Runaway" Gislason, a fitting title for this determined fellow. Really, "Runaway" Gislason feels ashamed of his little act for the crowd's benefit.

The guy that seems to think opponents are a bother seems to typify Bob Gerber. The player who devel-

opes a passionate attachment to the ball just fits Bob Gislason. We have often noticed Calvin Backer displaying his charming grin to the fems.

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## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 6	Lamberton	T
Dec. 13	Fairfax	H
Dec. 17	Mountain Lake	T
Dec. 20	Gaylord	T
Jan. 3	Winthrop	T
Jan. 7	Glencoe	T
Jan. 10	Redwood Falls	H
Jan. 17	Sleepy Eye	T
Jan. 21	Hutchinson	H
Jan. 24	Gaylord	H
Jan. 28	Springfield	T
Jan. 31	St. James	H
Feb. 7	Redwood Falls	T
Feb. 11	Lamberton	H
Feb. 18	Hutchinson	T
Feb. 21	Glencoe	H
Feb. 25	Fairfax	T
Mar. 4	Sleepy Eye	H

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