

OYSTERS! OYSTERS!

"Close your eyes and hope for the best" is the motto of "our oyster eaters," alias the fifth period biology class.

Deep in the weighty process of studying the clam family, these future "what have yous" decided it was a pity to waste those perfectly good (except for a few punchings here and there) oysters. The dish filled with these enticing dainties was duly opened to the class members by "Professor" Cernia.

Spike Furth made one leap to the front of the room and gulped down five whole oysters. He probably would have downed the whole mess had not John Herzog, in a mad attempt to get a few himself, shoved him out of the picture. Hilary Koreis and Warren Baer with "to do or die" expressions on their manly faces managed one dinky little oyster between them. A truly heroic attempt was made by Florence Lindemann, who then unceremoniously dashed through the nearest exit. Emily Galloway rescued the reputation of the female biologists by finishing "the remaining two."

Best Citizens To Be Chosen As Members Of Honor Society

Scholarship, service, leadership and character will be the basis on which not more than fifteen percent of the senior class will be chosen as members of the National Honor Society. Grades were averaged this week and all those in the upper third of the senior class have a chance for membership. Names will be announced in the near future.

The charter for New Ulm has already been received; our member is 2443. The Mankato chapter of the society will carry on the initiation ceremonies.

The purposes of this society have been defined as follows: to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership and to develop character.

One of the most attractive things about the organization is the National Honor Society pin. Each member receives one and after a year of membership it becomes his permanently.

Mr. Ciernia is the chairman for the organization of the New Ulm society. Other members of the committee are Miss Kearns, Miss Kittel, and Mr. Harman.

The swing band which was scheduled to appear last week made its initial public appearance before the student body this morning. Perhaps a school swing band for future dances is in the making.

Students: !!! Have You Personality?

"Be Yourself" has been the theme of New Ulm high school's first personality week, which began Monday morning and will end tomorrow night with a barn dance.

Students are wearing colorful tags to keep up the spirit and as a reminder of the week's theme.

Selected members of the senior high gave inspiring talks each morning at 9:25. Dorothy Ann Dirks and Richard Engel, juniors; Lorraine Wendland and Jack Gruenenfelder, sophomores; and Colleen Milliman and Eddie Eggers, seniors, were the speakers. They gave their opinions on what they considered was included in a personality plus.

Man Who Knew Hitler Speaks To Students

"I Knew Hitler," topic of Bernhard M. Ridder's address, was elaborated on by Mr. Ridder at this afternoon's assembly. Mr. Ridder, publisher and owner of the **St. Paul Pioneer Press** and **Dispatch**, met Hitler in the 1920's before Hitler became dictator of Germany in 1933. Ridder resided at the home of Franz Hanstapel, a great German band leader during that time.

He will also speak at the Rotary Club on Thursday and at the Layman's Fellowship of the Congregational church Friday evening.

Together with his brothers—Herman, Victor, and Joseph—Mr. Ridder owns many newspapers, including the **Duluth Herald and Tribune**, the **Aberdeen American** and the **New Yorker**. They also own the greatest German newspaper in America, **Stadts Zeitung**.

Future Debate Tourneys

Madison, South Dakota, is the scene of the annual debate tournament February 1. The debate squad from New Ulm is traveling out there in hopes of winning some honor and glory. Mr. Sutherland, debate coach, will take the boys there in his '40 Plymouth.

The debate team will also go to the Gustavus Speech Festival in St. Peter on February 7-8.

Bernie Bierman To Speak At Football Banquet

Kunkel, Roverud Address February 10 Set As Date For Recognition of Gridiron Heroes

Mr. Paul Kunkel will speak to the agriculture classes next Wednesday, February 5. He plans to discuss the possibilities of professional positions in the field of agriculture, such as county and state agents, agriculture teachers, and the like. Miss Barbara Roverud will speak to girls who are interested in the 4-H club and the Home Extension Division.

Last Wednesday was a busy day for students of the agriculture department. Barley and flax school speakers from the University of Minnesota gave talks and returned the seed samples that they had tested for various students. The part time agriculture school held a joint meeting with another group at Springfield the same day. That evening the F.F.A. basketball squad played a team at Lake Crystal.

Second Quarter Record Shows No Half-Holidays

"No half-holidays awarded" is the report for the second quarter. And—the seniors and sophomores vie for being the worst offenders! The sophomores had 10 unexcused absences and 156 more absences, 134 more tardinesses, and 98 more persons in detention than allowed.

The seniors have 6 unexcused absences, 302 more absences, 132 more tardinesses, and 53 more persons in detention than allowed.

The other grades went high above their minimum requirements. The seventh grade had 90 half-day absences, 6 tardinesses, and 2 more persons in detention over their limit.

In the eighth grade there were 67 half-day absences, 10 tardinesses, and 2 persons in detention more than allowed.

The ninth grade had 343 half-day absences, 106 tardinesses, 2 unexcused

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Featuring Bernie Bierman as guest speaker for the evening, plans for the annual football banquet to be held Monday, February 10 are already under way. Motion pictures of the undefeated Gopher team of 1940 taken by Henry Berg and Phil Brain will be shown. These pictures are a valuable contribution to the program, for they contain some of the best action shots of last season's victories.

The dinner will be held in the high school cafeteria. Time for the banquet is not yet decided, but probably it will be near 6.00 p. m. The sumptuous meal will be prepared by the home economics department.

Awarding of honors and other recognition for team members are shrouded in mystery. Who will get awards and so forth is the surprise of the evening. No information is being released which would furnish a clue as to who is going to receive letters.

The general public is cordially invited to attend and pay honor to a team which had a very successful season. Tickets are now on sale at 75c per plate and may be purchased from members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Siegel Trophy Honors Once Again At Stake

Contestants of all classes have been gathering in Mr. Sutherland's room for some time. Their only hope is to represent their class in the Siegel Trophy contest on February 12. Some of the contestants are as follows: Harriet Woebke, Jimmie Yost, La Verne Behrman, Eldon Le Bert, Delores Oswald, Harold Krieger, Bob Gislason, and Fred Iseli.

The week before the contest will be spent in eliminations in order to decide who will represent each class.

History Course Aims At Patriotism

If you hear the strains of patriotic music floating down the halls on the third floor, or if you run into a junior going around mumbling "My Country 'tis of Thee" under his breath, don't be alarmed. It's only the result of Mr. Harman's course on patriotism. During the two weeks' course the juniors will learn verses from patriotic songs, write themes on patriotic topics, and in general learn what patriotism is. The course will be supplemented by a series of recordings from the American School of the Air.

Frolic Tomorrow Night at the Barnyard Follies

"Swing your partner—left, right—da dee dal de, de dal de, de dal de de dal de! Couples forward! All join hands—da de dal del de da dal de da del de da da da!" And so the floor show goes on at the big barn dance tomorrow night in the small gymnasium. An old time fiddler from way down in old Arkansaw will be there (we hope); and the three yodeling hillbillies—Hank, Ed, and Al—will serenade the rest of the revelers.

Yes, sir. All come and dance to the rug-cuttin' music of the Swingsters, a little canned jam in the form of good records, and some real barn dance music from station XERA, Del Rio, Texas.

Diluted liquor, (pop to you) and those super-delicious cornmeal bars (candy) will be sold by the one and only student council. A five-cent admission will be charged. Warning! All those appearing with slugs will do solo jigs!

Are You Going to College?

University of Minnesota

General Course

Most students entering the freshman classes of the university are high school graduates. In order to enter without entrance examinations, the applicant must be a graduate of an accredited high school in Minnesota. For admission to a college of the university, which accepts students without preliminary college training, an applicant must present a record of at least twelve units completed in grades X, XI, and XII.

School of Nursing

Students in high school who are considering nursing should arrange their subjects so that they meet the entrance requirements of the college of science, literature, and arts of the university. Mathematics is desirable as it is essential that the students have a good working knowledge of arithmetic. English, history, physics, social studies and a foreign language are all recommended.

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Expenses of Three-Year Curriculum

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His piercing eyes and oft heard voice
discomfort me.
He annointeth my papers with zeroes,
My report card runneth over with the
same.
Yea, though he maketh me to quake
with fear now,
It shall soon be a thing of the past.
He prepareth a place for me at the
foot of my graduating class,
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of us,
For I have dwelt in the shadow of his
evil clutch far too long.
*You may substitute the name of
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Seniors of Lake City are already planning for their class play to be given April 3.

Lincoln Torch, Lake City

"Lelawala," an operetta centering around an Indian legend, is to be presented as Mankato High's annual operetta. Beverly Brazier plays Lelawala, an Indian maiden, and Joe Smith takes the part of Shungela, a young rejected lover.

Ott Menke was chosen to play for Pi Delta Rho spring formal to be held in June.

Mankato High News, Mankato

The first issue of the Latin magazine "Nuntius Latinus," edited and distributed by members of the Latin class, made its appearance. It consisted of legends, jokes, and original stories contributed by Latin scholars.

The Otter, Fergus Falls

Seniors at Mountain Lake have chosen their class colors, duobonet and sand, and motto "Let us be known by our deeds."

Mountain Lake Spirit, Mountain Lake Helen Thiede, formerly of New Ulm, "Haggy" to her Farmer friends, was one of eleven pupils on the honor roll for the last six weeks.

The Echo, Farmer, S. D.

"Otter Follies of 1941" is being planned by the senior class for the purpose of raising funds for the annual. February 12 has been set as the date.

The Otter, Fergus Falls

Beating Around

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to become more efficient operators." (It didn't sound to me as though it was projectors that were being discussed.)

Two members of the **Girls' Handicraft Club** were busily engaged in constructing beach shoes. Emma Ubl had a cute pair of book ends in the shape of little dogs. The shelf Marion Harris was varnishing also appealed to me.

Quarreling is mixed with card playing by the **Bridge Club**. Loretta Bassett insisted that Rosella Suess had played out of turn.

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"Men Without Fear"

Floherly's new book gives an account of these men. Men with courage are the heroes of this book—divers who salvage lost ships and build bridges, test pilots who must have trained experience and be daredevils in the air, lightship men who live in small ships by the dangerous reefs to warn the larger ships of the danger—many others, too, risk their lives to save their fellow men. They place higher value on duty than on life. Some receive princely sums for their work while others get meager pay. This book is illustrated by actual photographs and actual experiences.

No Half-Holidays

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absences, 27 persons in detention over their number.

The junior class record is not so bad as those 7 the other senior high classes. They had 181 half-day absences, 7 unexcused absences, 105 tardiness, and 37 persons in detention more than allowed.

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Fri Le Tas Feature Hawaiian Number

Norma Faaborg will give a Hawaiian song and dance number in a genuine Hawaiian costume at the Fri Le Ta program on February 6. Norma is the new student who came from Hawaii.

Mrs. Walter Muesing will speak on a current topic, **Charm**. Virginia Meerfeld will give a piano selection.

The future looks rosy for the Fri Le Ta girls. They plan to have a dance session soon and a mother-daughter tea in the early spring. Rumor has it that the Kappa Gamma Beta boys will be their honor guests at a spring party.

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Jimnies and Redmen Stand in Eagles' Path

Eagles Hope For Comeback

St. James meets the Eagles for the first time on January 31 on the Eagles' home floor. The Jimnies were tall, clever, and fairly accurate shooters last year. The Eagles are also getting better game after game it seems and are bound to crack their present losing streak very soon. The fine spirit of the team has accounted for the close scores in many previous battles. Information on this game is very slight, but it seems as though St. James uses a "zone" defense. Gaylord also used a "zone" defense, and the Eagles overpowered it.

Springfield, after putting a black spot on the Eagles' record, comes on February 4 to New Ulm to try to defeat the lavender and white boys for the second time. The Eagles are not in the habit of forgetting defeats by another team and are determined to win the second encounter of the season. Springfield is about on an even basis with New Ulm. If there is any advantage, it might be in height. Coach Bassett thinks he has a solution for this losing game problem, and the boys are determined to execute it for him one hundred per cent. It seems that the eagles have several things to settle with the Brickmakers and are out to start it on February 4 with a basketball victory over Springfield.

On The Rebound By "Hank"

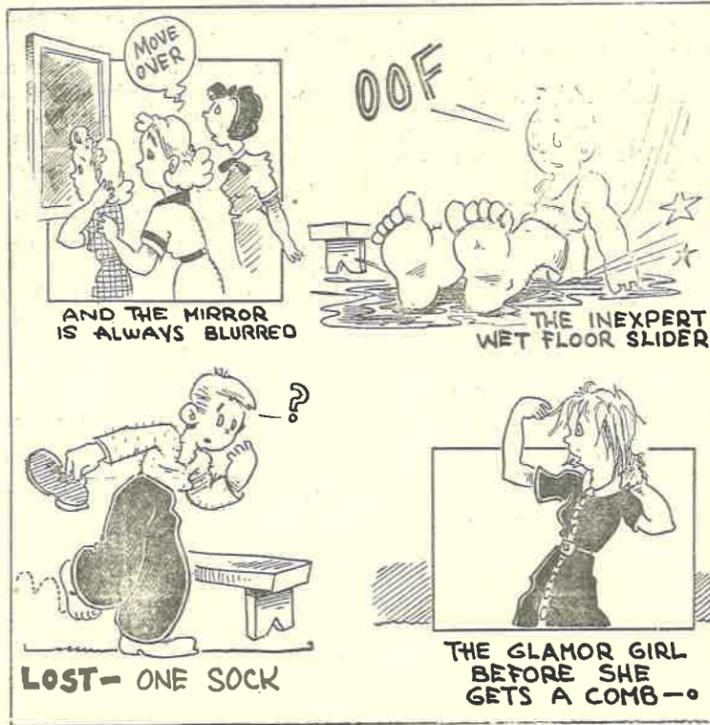
Sleepy Eye again proved to be dynamite on its own floor by upsetting New Ulm 30 to 20. The score at the half-time was 12 to 12. The game was rather well played, both from an offensive and a defensive stand-point. Sleepy Eye being the taller and more aggressive. New Ulm was greatly handicapped by the loss of key-men because of the flu epidemic.

Hutchinson's height played havoc with the Eagle cause. It was the main factor in determining the score of the game, which ended 39 to 31 in Hutchinson's favor. The Eagles showed much improvement over the Sleepy Eye game. The return of Bob Gerber to the line-up provided the needed spark for the Eagles to play another good game.

The Brickmakers proved to the Eagles on January 28, that they were the more aggressive of the two teams by defeating the Eagles 25 to 19. The Eagles couldn't hit the hoop for field goals but free throw shooting was very near perfect. Springfield comes to New Ulm February 4 for the second encounter of the season.

The Eagles scored their third victory of the season over the fighting team from Gaylord on January 24. Gaylord was by no means a push-over. The score was, New Ulm 29; Gaylord 28.

Splashes From The Shower Rooms



"Can't you hear them calling, Old Black Joe," mixed with a little "Down Argentina Way, makes plenty of noise! No, it's not the chorus practising—it's just the girls in the shower room. Besides that, the floor is a regularswimming pool. Reason: they've improvised a system of putting the rubber foot bath containers over the drains. A race around the shower room under alternate cold and hot showers often prevails. Even though most of the girls try to keep their hair dry by tying towels around their heads like Hindus, many of them are 'dunked.' When you're down there, don't be surprised if you find a wet stocking or two. It's all in the game.

No, we aren't going to leave the boys out; they commit just as many offenses. When it comes to putting shoes and coats in the water, that's the boys. How would you like to have a wastebasket thrown at you? No? Then beware; don't enter the boys' shower room. Playing tag on top of the lockers is a favorite sport, too. Three paddles—large, medium and small—are used for first, second or third offenses if the "culprits" get caught. "Turn about is fair play."

Bowling Bazoo

The craze for bowling has now "struck and spared" its way into New Ulm High School. The bowling game has become the number-one winter sport for young and old. Lately it hasn't been an uncommon sight to see Jean Bosel, Dolores Oswald, Betty Dannheim or Correen Merkel sticking their dainty fingers in a fourteen-pound ball, sighting between the first and second pins, taking their stride, and hoping for dear life that all or most of the pins will fall.

The masculine section is represented by the famous team of Schmucker and Eggers, O'Malley, Kennedy, and, no doubt, many more.

Incidentally, if anyone would like lessons on how to bowl, Eddie Eggers is the person to see. Reports are that Eddie bowled a 201 game not so long ago. Second choice would be Mr. Ciernia, an experienced man at almost anything, it seems.

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