

Merry Christmas to All

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"Singers of Peace" to be Given By Students Tuesday Evening

Language Classes Sing Christmas Carols at Hospital

Sunday afternoon, December 12, Miss Fisher's Latin, German and Spanish classes assembled to sing Christmas carols at the hospitals. A number of students volunteered to furnish transportation.

Miss Fisher and her students went to the Union Hospital first. Solos in different languages were sung by representatives from the various classes. The entire group joined in singing the choruses. Miss Tharalson accompanied them playing the violin. Harold Krieger sang "America the Beautiful"; Eileen Esser, "Oh Holy Night"; Norma Faaborg, "Silent Night" in Spanish; Joleen Siebenbrunner and Irene Gag, "Gloria In Excelsis Dio"; and Thelma Muesing sang a German Carol.

After the classes had carolled at the Loretto Hospital, they were given a treat; they then journeyed back to the high school.

A lunch was served in the cafeteria to all who participated in the singing. Miss Fisher's beautifully decorated Christmas tree served as a center piece. The lunch ended the events of the afternoon.

"O, the Merry Life of a Conventioneer"

By Verda and Priscilla

Have you ever been to a convention? Well, you really have missed something exciting! After some last minute packing of our suitcases, we left on the 5:20 bus from St. Peter for the M.H.S.P.A. Convention, December 3-4. After a wonderful night's sleep, we started on our merry way to the University of Minnesota campus, but of course we had to separate and each go to a different class. The campus is really quite a big place, but you never get lonely as there are 10,000 servicemen there. [Girls, that's where our men are!] It gives you quite a thrill to see the squads of service men—air cadets, sailors, soldiers—singing and marching to and from classes in perfect harmony. They do this because of the fact that talking is not allowed.

Helen Clapesattle, author of "The Doctors Mayo", spoke to a general assembly about where to get your material for a story. Classes started after that and continued until 3:30. They were on various phases of newspaper work. Then came the mad rush home to change clothes and get back in time for the show and dance. The show consisted of solos by a few girls, piano numbers, corny jokes, little skits, and best of all a ventriloquist. He was good, too!

Saturday morning came definitely too soon, but to classes we went until 12 o'clock, when the convention closed. Waiting for a street car isn't any fun, but finally we managed to catch one for Minneapolis. [Continued on Page 4]

Three Hundred Fifty To Participate In Gala Program

"Singers of Peace," an original Christmas tableaux, will be presented in the New Ulm High School auditorium on Tuesday, December 21 starting at 8 o'clock. This play was written by Miss Helena Lee Corcoran and Mr. Ted J. Kallsen, former members of the faculty.

The massed chorus will consist of 350 students including the senior high school mixed choir, the junior high choir, the senior high girls chorus, the grade school singers and student volunteers. The high school string ensemble will accompany the chorus.

The baritone soloists are Harold Krieger and Robert Iseli.

The narrators are Leo Wilfahrt and Ralph Werner.

This play is a series of scenes depicting the first Christmas. Amy Schulenberg will play the part of "Mary" and Jerome Lake will play the part of "Joseph."

Other members of the cast are as follows: Charles Doering, Thorval Johnson, Wm. Huevelmann, Marvin Nelson, and Otto Apitz as shepherds. The Magi will be played by Lloyd McGuire as "Melchior", Roman Sellner as "Gaspar" and Adolph Kahle as "Balthazar." Jean Bartl, the soprano soloist, Norma Faaborg, the contralto soloist, Linda Peterson and Lois Anderson will take the part of the angels announcing to the shepherds the tidings of Jesus' birth.

Cherubim from the Emerson grade school will be Yvonne Rude- [Continued on Page 4]

Student Council Buys and Trims Christmas Tree

Hear those rapturous "Ohs" and "Ahs" being expressed by the students these last few days? Well, there's a good cause for them; it's the beautifully trimmed Christmas tree in the lower corridor.

Each year the Student Council buys a giant tree and trims it. This year the tree is resplendent with blue lights and tinsel, not to forget the huge red star on the very top, donated by Mr. Lynott.

It seems that Mr. Lynott had a little difficulty with his helpers about that star. They just couldn't agree with him that red and blue are complimentary colors, but who won? That's all right, Mr. Lynott, it looks very nice.

The tree was decorated by a committee of Student Councilors, including Mr. Lynott, Dean Ohland, Rose Mary and Elizabeth Kosek, Helen Pivonka, Jeanette Bergmeier, Charlotte Ulrich, and Betty Jutz.

Oh, yes, Leo Wilfahrt, council president, was also there, arriving at the moment the tree was finished; but he was allowed to hang three pieces of tinsel on the tree, so he could say that he helped.

Robert Iseli Wins Honors With TB Theme

Reads Essay Over WCCO Saturday, Receives Gold Medal

Bob Iseli, a junior, one of the winners of the tuberculosis essay contest, gave his talk on the Christmas seal, Saturday, December 11, over station WCCO at 3:15. Bob, with nine others, received a gold medal for his work.

The ten students whose talks were considered the most outstanding from the hundreds submitted were presented over the radio, on WCCO, December 11 and 18; five pupils presented their talks at each broadcast. The number of junior high school students eligible to broadcast was limited to two.

The trophy for the most outstanding talk in the senior group went to the Albert Lea High School; and in the junior group, to the Washington Junior High School of Duluth.

The judges have commented on the high standard in all of the talks entered and also the timeliness of presentation. It took a great deal of time and careful grading and re-grading for every talk before the final selection was made from those classed as the most outstanding.

Fri-Le-Ta Holds Annual Xmas Party

Last Wednesday evening the Fri Le Ta club had its annual Christmas party in the high school cafeteria.

Norma Faaborg started the program by singing "Silent Night", in Spanish; after which Gloria Thiede played a piano selection, "Lullaby of the Rain." The two selections sung by Elaine and Lorraine Neihoff were "Walking in the Winter Wonder Land", and "Chata-nooga Choo Choo".

While a lunch consisting of cocoa and cookies was served, Eileen Esser

May the New Year be a Victorious One!

As the Christmas Season of 1943 approaches, a glow can be seen from yonder rising hill beyond which the people of the world are fighting a furious battle. The glow is an omen of a forthcoming victory; the battle is to preserve all that is beautiful and holy concerning Christmas—the tree, the carols, the greetings, the gifts and the laughter of children. Perhaps it is too much to expect a Merry Christmas in 1943 in the literal sense. There are too many vacant places at the fireside this year for old-time merriment. Too many of our boys will be spending Christmas in the mud of New Guinea, in the bitter cold of the Aleutians, in the heat of India, the rain of Italy or in the penetrating fog of England. No one can really feel the genuine sense of Christmas in his heart unless during the past year, through some service or some deed he has lightened the load of those who are fighting so valiently for us. Christmas is something to be earned. Will it be a joyous one for you?

—W. A. Andrews

On behalf of the New Ulm High School faculty I want to wish every student a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We wish that your vacation days will be happy and joyful. We hope that everyone grasps the true message of Christmas bells, the real meaning of Christmas music, and the genuine spirit of Christmas giving.

We trust that we will not forget these things in the days that lie ahead. Again, then, your faculty wishes you the merriest of Christmases and a Happy 1944.

—M. A. Lynott

Can They Spell??

Did you say that students in high school are good spellers?

Well, they're not in New Ulm High School. This was proven in recent tests given to the students in the various English classes.

In a test given on novels, "Les Miserables", a French novel, was spelled eight different ways by one senior English class.

These included Lamb as a Rub, Lamb as a Robe, Les Misarbes, Les Misearbles, Les Miserup, Lames Robe, and Lame is Robe.

Probably Victor Hugo would have been most surprised, however, to see his famous novel called "Lamb I Rub".

and Thelma Muesing each sang a number. Thelma later led the girls in a community sing.

Keith Oswald Enjoys Visit Here

"Have you seen Ozzie?" That question was on everyone's lips last week. You see, Keith Oswald, a former student of NUHS, was here for a short visit with his friends and classmates for several days.

"Ozzie" now lives in Missoula, Montana, a city with a population of 18,000. This summer he worked on the Alaskan highway with John Esser and Donald Gollnast, returning to Missoula on November 8.

"The weather is much colder in Minnesota than it was in Alaska", states Ozzie. He laughingly added, "The girls in Montana aren't so bad, but they don't measure up to those in New Ulm."

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Hi Seniors

Nylah Huelskamp's pet peeve is getting up in the morning especially on Monday morning after those Sunday evenings. Nylah's favorite song is "My Heart Tells Me". She simply loves to devour a lettuce mayonnaise tomato sandwich.

Carol Kemske has been currently sporting a gold Marine pin. That couldn't possibly be why one of her favorite songs is the Marine Hymn and the other "You'll Never Know". "I'm just Wild about Harry" could well be her favorite song, but Carol insists it isn't because he doesn't like the tune [the words seem to agree with her]. In order to balance her sweetness, Carol has had to eat sauerkraut so now it's her favorite food. Because of a bespectacled professor, music is Carol's most enjoyable school subject.

Florence Kuester's pet peeve is seeing girls wearing anklets with high heeled shoes. Shows like Mrs. Miniver attract Florence because they co-star her two favorites, Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon. She likes her senior year in high school better than other years, with one exception, she doesn't like the billions of themes assigned by Mr. Harman and Miss Kayser.

Delores Lindorf really enjoys one thing in school, the salesmanship class. Whether it is the teacher or the students in the class that attract her wasn't revealed. Her favorite band is Harry James. There is something about a farmer that seems to attract Delores' eye, especially one from Fairfax. No wonder her favorite song is "Put Your Arms Around Me Honey".

Betty Milliman's favorite song is "No Love, No Nothing", but why is really mysterious. You certainly would call her associations with that Webster boy—No Love. Betty has a marvelous suggestion to offer to the school, start school at 10; it certainly would save the office a lot of paper. Probably the most frequent visitors in the principal's office at about 8:35 are the Milliman twins.

Bonnie Milliman, the other half of the senior twins, is a true high school girl because she also likes Frank Sinatra. If only Frank would sing "My Heart Tells Me", Bonnie would probably be seen floating thru the halls. "Why not have more informal school dances?" said Bonnie, "and to heck with dressing up."

blood plasma as donors have yet given. When will civilians wake up to this patriotic duty? Of course, not all of us, especially in this city, can give our blood to help win the war, and that's why we should in other ways do our bit to bring victory nearer.



BOOK TALK

Now that Christmas vacation is almost here, many students will find time to catch up on their reading.

Our library has many new books, ranging from "The Robe", a best seller for over six months, to "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay".

"Teresita of the Valley" brings us the adventures of a young girl of Spanish decents, who, because of fate, goes to Denver. Her desire to be more like American girls often-times brings her disappointment and hurt. There is an unusual ending that will surprise anyone who reads it.

"Lassie Come Home"—by Eric Knight—who lost his life this year in American services—is one of the best dog stories of this generation. Lassie, the loved dog of a poor household, taken hundreds of miles from home, begins the long trek back. If you thought that dogs can't think, read *Lassie Come Home*.

For those who wish to add to their knowledge of American aircraft, there is *American Warplanes* by Conger. Besides descriptions and explanations of these planes, the book contains stories of the brave deeds our courageous airmen have done in them. Exciting!

If you want to laugh, read "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" by Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough. These two, at the age of nineteen, went to Europe alone. Of all the predicaments they managed to get themselves into, none is funnier than Cornelia's measles, or the time that Emily, overawed at meeting a famous personage at a tea, ate the baby ribbon around a sandwich.

Three years ago Mr. Dirks had a Christmas message in the Graphos that we feel can bear reprinting:

"May you in the security of your homes, cheery with the many advantages of our democratic way of life dedicate yourselves to maintain the American way of life against all dangers. May you continue to enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Xmas Orders Complete

Once every year around Christmas time I get an air mail letter. I bet you'll never guess whom it's from. Give up? Well, I'll tell you. It's from dear old Santa Claus himself. In this letter he appoints me as his New Ulm assistant and my job is to find out what the students of New Ulm High School want for Christmas. Upon receiving his letter, I set immediately to work; and even tho some of our students are a little bashful about telling me what they want the very most, these are some of the informations that I unearthed in my searchings. If you're wondering how I found out these secrets, just remember that Santa Claus' helper sees all, hears all and tells everything.

Leo Wilfahrt wants more visits from a certain red-head at the "U". But we notice he's doing all right for himself while she's not around. "Mutzy" Manderfeld wants a basketball autographed by a certain basketball player whose initials are B. M. Patty Tierney wants a heart big enough to hold all her heart throbs. She finds a new one every day. John Esser says he wants a cute little secretary to sit on his knee and to write out passes and take care of all his fan mail.

Bob Schneider wants a day with 36 hours in it so he'll have more time to walk with Shuzzy. Jimmy Ohland wants a leash so he'll be able to keep track of that blonde he's seen so much with. Janice Streissguth wishes she knew of a way to keep cool and calm in an embarrassing situation. Bonnie Neuwirth wants a dance that Trinity kids can come to. Nylah Huelskamp wants a car with only a back seat guaranteed not to reach its destination after the Ballroom dances on Sunday nights. All the Ballroom goers want a free trolley line from town to the Ballroom to save them a lot of money. Denny Krieger has something to give away to anyone who will take it now that he's settled down to one woman [we hope]—his fickleness. The Milliman twins wish that Man-kato was about thirty miles nearer. Of course, we don't have to ask why! Verda Rolloff's asking Santa for more letters from a certain soldier in Alaska.

Well, be good children; Santa won't forget you!

Rollo's Ravings

By Verda



It's nice to have a vacation but personally I'd rather go to school than stay home in bed with the flu. I bet most of you agree, too.

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It is sure to be dark if you shut your eyes.

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"Spend, Sucker, Spend" is the slogan for the January Bond Drive. A New York advertising executive thought that clever thing up.

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"Ouch" "Please let me through!" "Oh, my poor feet!" Yes, I was Christmas shopping. There wasn't much to buy, but plenty of people. War Stamps were the easiest, quickest, best, and safest gift on my list.

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While on the subject of Christmas here is a little thought—

Puzzle of all time; to wit; Why don't Christmas Presents fit!

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"Everybody is wise until he speaks! Who said that? I don't know, but whoever did surely knows what he is talking about."

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Recently a survey was taken and it was found that the jeweler has more business on Monday than on any other day. Broken eye glasses are the most important item on the Monday morning list; and on the Monday morning after New Years Eve the place is generally overflowing with broken glasses! Need more be said?

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Daffy definitions were in order in Social classes last week when the Glossary was being studied. Here are some of them—

- Divorce—Legally junking a wife
- Degeneration—next generation to come
- Dole—pineapple juice

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Scene on walking to school these days: Say, that couldn't be the moon going down, could it?

Three Yuletide Duties

Have you sent your soldier a Christmas greeting? We hope each of you has made an attempt to make at least one soldier happy by sending him a card or some little note of greeting. We do not need to send him presents; no, a happy Christmas greeting from "the kid back home" is enough to make him happy and inspire him to do great things. Most of us take the attitude that why should we send him a card? Why, he doesn't even know us! You'd be surprised to find how many of us kids he does know, and how happy he would be to receive our little greeting. It will help him to a good start in the new year.

Everywhere you turn, you read and hear the words, "Buy war stamps and bonds", but have any of you stopped to consider the full meaning of these words? By buying war stamps and bonds you are lending your money to your government, yes, our government, the best in the world, the government that has allowed us to be what we are, and granted us privileges surpassing those of any other country. It has given us this, and a lot more; and now, in time of need, it asks us to come to its aid by buying stamps and bonds to help win the war and everlasting peace for our posterity. How can we let it down? How dare we refuse it!

Wouldn't it give each of you a satisfaction to be able to say "My blood is in the war"? In the *Reader's Digest* is an article about a young girl who was "just plain scared" to be a blood donor—until she found out how easy it was. Our wounded will desperately need at least three times as much

Between Us Two

By the Twins



BONNIE



BETTY

These letters to Santa Claus fell out of a mailbag on Minnesota Street—and because of the Graphos' wide circulation we know Santa'll pick them up from here. Dear Santa,

I have been unusually good this year—Haven't stuck out my tongue at or pinched anyone. Could you please arrange fewer German tests for the coming year and a popcorn ball or two?

Ann Kruger

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Dear Santa,

I have helped the war effort to the best of my ability this year. You should've seen me tend them chickens. Please bring me Lenore Windland all tied up in a big blue bow—and a box of chocolates to bribe Miss Enger with.

Marvin Nelson

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Dear Santa,

I can hardly wait for you to come this year as I'm very interested in getting some basket ball games that will be real victories. That's all I want Santa—please don't bring me a doll—I have no time for 'em.

Roland Schmidt

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"Oh Fuzz!"—cried Roger Nelson after two weeks of trying to grow a beard!

The combination of the two Fenske brothers really made the team click at Gaylord.

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WANTED: A person who knows how to do the Lindy Hop and can teach it to others.

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In the parlor there were three The girl, the lamp, and he Two is company, no doubt That is why the lamp went out.

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If you see the girls rolling their eyes these days, its not eye trouble. They're trying to catch the Victory Belles technique.

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The Christmas spirit has really taken Miss Raverty by storm. Her room is resplendent with a tree, candles and evergreen.

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Here's a belated welcome to Hanska's cute cheer leaders and their fine team. We hope they will return soon.

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Miss Fisher should have a glow in her heart these days for the happiness he brought to the patients at the Loretto Hospital and the ones at the Old Peoples' Home, when she took her group of carol singers there.

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Bob Stout certainly thinks that the Freshman Class has possibilities.

Esser Sparks Eagles to 46-35 Victory Over Tigers

Reserves Proves Up In Battle; Gaylord Next Here Jan. 7

Johnnie Esser, hard driving Eagle senior, paced the New Ulm basketballers in their 46-35 victory over a strong Springfield team on the high school auditorium hardwood Friday night. Springfield — branded top District 10 favorites along with the Eagles — was completely outplayed by the Eagles, as the whole team clicked for their third straight victory.

Esser was outstanding on the floor Friday with nine buckets and four free throws for a 22 point total that spearheaded the Eagle attack. Harold Fenske, Esser's running mate at forward, wasn't quite on the beam from the accuracy standpoint but played a smart ball game on defense which helped in the victory.

Leo Wilfahrt, Eagle guard, allowed Leo Domeier to sweep passed him only twice to tip the ball into the bucket. But Domeier dropped in five buckets and a free throw for an 11 point total that led Springfield. LaGrande Wegner left the game midway through the second period on four personal fouls, but up to that time had played his best game in an Eagle Uniform.

And fans, who for a moment doubted the stability of Eagle subs, found their answer in Friday night's duel. When Wegner left the game, Austad's flu made Harman bench him, and Fenske was jerked for a rest with a sore ankle, it was the Eagle sophomores who took over and played a brilliant brand of ball. Stan Martinka, Johnny Pollei and Herb "Doc" Furth displayed the poise and confidence of coming cage greats.

Esser recently was out with a slight touch of the flu but unleashed power and stamina that spelled

Esser, Fenske To Co-Captain Squad This Year

Friday afternoon before the evening game against Springfield, all varsity basketball men were called to the coach's room where Coach Joe Harman asked them to elect a captain for the current season. A vote was taken and ballots collected by Manager Roland Schmidt who reported the final results.

Johnnie Esser and Harold Fenske have been elected co-captains of the Eagle basketball team for the current season. They are the "king pins" as Coach Harman put it and it's their duty to carry the Purple and White banner. They are the two evenly paired Eagle forwards that have caused much talk in this section for they play heads up ball.

doom for the Tiger cagers. His speed, aggressiveness, and accuracy couldn't be stopped and he was an unstoppable man on the floor. Fenske scored nine points on three buckets and as many gift shots for a nine point total.

The game promised to be a thriller from the opening tip off when each team dropped in a gift shot to open the game. But Eagle superiority told the final story as they took a 13-7 lead at the end of the first period and widened that margin to a 24-12 count at halftime. A 35-24 score marked the three-quarter mark and then the Eagles swept to a 46-35 victory over the fighting Tigers.

Springfield was off on its passes and missed quite a few shots which might have made the score a bit closer. Fenske hurt his ankle during the first half but because it worked freely when warmed up it not believed to be serious. Fenske and Esser are without a doubt tops in the forward division as far as the district or even the region is concerned.

The Eagle "B" cagers took it out on the Hanska varsity team Friday by a 34-19 victory. Larry Caswell and Don Fenske spearheaded the offensive maneuvers along with Burton Mahle, Chuck Doering and Don Eichten. The regular Hanska team played the Eagle cagers and took it on the chin to prove again that Harman is building basketball material.

Big Eagle Test Comes After Holiday Vacation

Sparked by John Esser and Harold Fenske at the forwards, the New Ulm high school Eagles have whipped three potent rivals since the basketball season opened two weeks ago. The first game with Luther saw the Eagles pull away during the second half when they turned on the steam for a 39-25 victory. Minus a coach and partly crippled with the flu, the Eagles managed a 34-23 victory over a definitely inferior Gaylord crew.

Friday night they outplayed a highly touted Springfield aggregation 46-35. Fenske and Esser have played an important part in all victories, but credit goes not to them alone. Leo Wilfahrt and Roy Austad have performed brilliantly in feeding that ball for setup shots.

LaGrande Wegner played his best game against Springfield although being in the game only a quarter and a half before four personals sent him to the showers.

But the great season lies a head following the vacations. There will be another game with Gaylord on Jan. 7, and although the Eagles are scheduled to sweep to a comparatively easy victory, upsets have been known to occur and probably will.

A game with Luther—the Hilltop team that put up such a tough battle in the Eagle opener—and Springfield, Redwood Falls, and Sleepy Eye all follow after the holidays. Can the boys continue the grind throughout the new year? They have the ability and the coaching necessary for it and from indications intend to do it.

Harman admits he has a "pretty good team" and the boys are proving his statement. His coaching has ironed out many of the kinks that were outstanding.

Sports for Fems By "Lee"

Perhaps you have noticed Miss Zahn wandering about in deep thought lately. The reason seems to be that she is racking her brain for a device for stirring up G.G.A. interest. Really, girls, where is that old spirit? The last few times, G.G.A. attendance has been terrible! Remember, it really is a privilege for the girls to use the small gym on Thursdays after school, so let's make the most of it!

Any new ideas or suggestions are always welcome. For instance, a few weeks ago Dot Saffert organized a girls' daredevil squad similar to the "Suicide Squad" of last year. Girls interested in tumbling or apparatus work could form teams too. Later, the girls play basketball if enough want to. There is also a slip of paper up on the auditorium bulletin board on which girls interested in bowling should sign. Beginning the first Thursday after Christmas and on every Thursday after that the different teams that have signed will go to the Concordia after school to bowl. Beginners as well as advance bowlers are signing up for a team.

Need I mention that the Minnesota State Efficiency Test is being given for the second time this year? Perhaps the news has already gotten around since a few of the classes have already begun the strenuous task of trying to beat their first record. Following this test, Miss Zahn has announced that the girls will go through an obstacle course. Sounds like more fun!

Reviewing Sports

by Wiener

We'd have to look pretty far throughout this fair state to match Harold Fenske and John Esser as a pair of forwards. These two boys were seemingly made to work together in the Eagle advance line. And Eagle guards take advantage of the accuracy of the Eagle forwards with some beautiful passing that sets up the buckets.

Our congratulations to Hanska on their spirit of sportsmanship and friendliness. They made a very favorable impression on all of us. We hope this game is only the beginning of friendly relations between New Ulm and Hanska.

Leo Wilfahrt plays a good defensive game in basketball although not so hot on offense. Leo Domeier, Springfield's speedy ace, got past Leo only twice Friday night for buckets but made a few more on unorthodox shots or plays. Leo must get his inspiration from a certain readhead named Ruth that attends the University of Minnesota.

Jerry Kosek, Eagle alumnus, is making a name for himself on the St. John's varsity team. Teamed with Stanton Wilfahrt, last year's Trinity scoring ace, Jerry is accounting for a good share of the

points when the St. John's teams clash on the hardwood. Jerry played basketball, football, and baseball while in high school and was good in all three.

Stan Martinka, Johnny Pollei, and Herb "Doc" Furth deserve a good pat on the back. For the brand of ball they played against Springfield Friday night was most impressive to all concerned. Martinka proved a good running mate to Esser in setting up plays when Pollei and Furth were outstanding defensive performers.

Perhaps the real inspiration for the boys' victory marches comes from Coach Joe Harman. The veteran Eagle coach should take a good share of the spotlight for his excellent job in coaching the boys. He works hard with them and teaches them what to do and when to do it. Timing, passing, footwork, dribbling and various other skills come to light on the basketball floor.

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Service Slants--

Many Former Students Visit School

Once again we see many service men roaming the halls of good old New Ulm High School. One of whom is none other than our famous athletic star S 2-c Cal Backer. Cal arrived from Jacksonville, Florida, where he is training with the United States Naval Reserve V-12 program. He will return Dec. 15.

Another of our great athletic stars both in football and basketball is also with us for the holidays. It is Chief Cook Ray Weise. Ray has arrived from Charleston, South Carolina. He is an assistant steward on a merchant ship. Ray has been stationed many different places along the Atlantic Coast. He does not have to return until Jan. 2, so he will be able to bring in the New Year with us.

The Graphos staff has again received a very nice and welcome letter. This time it is from Johnny Herzog. Johnny is stationed at San Bruno, California. Here is the letter; read it for yourself.

Hi Everyone,
Just a short line to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending the Graphos to me. It sure is swell.

I get out of the hospital for good Monday or Tuesday.

Gosh! In another month and a half, I will be in the Navy a year, but the time sure has passed fast. I'm feeling swell now, and it sure was perfect to get home again.

Chick Huhn was over to see me this morning, and it was good to see him again.

I'll close now, but thanks again for the Graphos, it sure peps a guy up when he is lying in bed.

So long for now,
Johnny

After many delays, Harry W. Beyer S 1-c has finally arrived in New Ulm Thursday morning and will spend a 15-day furlough at home. He came from San Francisco California. Hucky was one of the

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gun crew on his ship when it was sunk about three weeks ago; he was lucky enough to escape without injury. He has been in the Navy now for nine months. Seeing home again was the happiest moment in his life.

Ralph Thiede A-S also arrived Thursday morning. Ralph has just finished Boot training at Farragut, Idaho. He is also lucky enough to be home for Christmas.

Now who was the owner of that smiling face I saw in the lower hall? Yes, it is Sgt. Kenneth Classen. He has come from down good old Texas way. I believe it is Amarillo, Texas. He is stationed at the air field there. Kenneth graduated from mechanics school Nov. 27, and was then promoted to Sgt.

I see Sgt. Arno Wandersee was also with us for a few days. Arno came from Langely Field, Virginia. He is an engineer on a B 24. He has been in the service for 15 months Arno has already left us. He returned Dec. 15.

College Preparatory Class to Present Program Wednesday

An informal program, combining nonsense and the more serious, will be presented by the college preparatory class on Wednesday morning. Every person in the class is taking some part in presenting this program.

Sue Heyman, the teacher, "Miss Grouch", will conduct the class.

The program will consist of "Harold Krieger's Flea Circus"; piano solos by Arvilla Bergstrom; Christmas carols sung by Norma Faaborg, Irene Gag, Joleen Siebenbrunner and Carol Kemske; a parody by Janice Streissguth and Norma Faaborg; a discussion of Christmas symbols by Ardis Johnson, Dorothy Anderson, Betty Lund, Richard Nelson, Doris Hacker, Darwin Reese, Fred Naumann, Betty Gottschalk and Roger Nelson; a reading by Joleen Siebenbrunner; and—well, that's a surprise.

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Rationed Fashions

Almost everyone has purchased Christmas presents, but just in case you haven't, here are some suggestions which may help you for some last minute shopping.

Mother will certainly appreciate some toilet water or a nice pair of kid gloves. Don't forget the size!

You can't go wrong on stationery for anyone, since everyone seems to be writing more and more letters everyday. Military insignia stationery is very widely shown at most of the drug stores.

Baby won't be satisfied unless he receives toys of all sizes and shapes; most important is that they are of an unbreakable nature.

Since ice-skating is a favorite sport among many teen-aged boys and girls, why not get sister or brother a pair of ice skates?

Dad, it seems never has enough shirts, so you can't go wrong when you get him a nice white shirt and a matching tie, or if he's a great pipe-smoker, get him a can of his favorite tobacco.

"Singers of Peace"

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nick, Loren Lentz, Carol Wicherski and Brace Hintz; from Lincoln, Marlene Freese, Carol Brust, Richard Brey and Gordon Gehrke; from Washington, Carol Paa, Richard Wiedl, Marlene Kornmann, and LaVonne Ring.

The production staff is made up of faculty members and some students. The dramatic director is Ralph Sutherland. Mary Jane Martin and Paul Heltne are production directors; the music directors are Martha Tharalson and Howard Johnson; Aurelia Zahn, Lucille Bruce and Wm. Grete are the stage managers. Richard Pengilly is in charge of properties with Janice Heiser, Lenore Johnson, William Madsen and Martin Klingler as his assistants. Bernita Severson, Dorothy LeDuc and Lucille Bruce are supervising the costumes. The lighting will be cared for by Bob Dahl, Bob Naumann and Howard Brust. Paul Fuller is in charge of sound; Katherine Enger and A. J. Snowbeck, of programs; and of publicity, Mary Kayser. Lillian Groebner and Germaine Martinka have charge of make-up.

The ushers will be members of the Fri-Le-Ta club sponsored by Irene Fisher.

There will be no admission charge and the public is invited to attend.

Robert Iseli

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polis where we were going to do some shopping. Many people must have considered us rather curious, because we couldn't get all of ourselves on the bus; so we sort of hung over the edges of that little platform on the back of the street car. It was chilly!

You always hear about people standing in line for hours and hours to see some celebrated person. Well, on Sunday afternoon we stood in line for 45 minutes in order to see Jimmy Dorsey, but it was worth every minute of it. Boys, I believe you would have enjoyed it when Kitty Kallen sang "They're Either Too Young or Too Old"; but don't worry, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves when Paul Carey sang "How Sweet You Are". The biggest thrill was Peg-Leg Bates. He's super! We had a fine time. Enough said!

Speech Spotlight

By Harold Krieger

After a considerable delay, the Speech Department of New Ulm High School has found its vitamin pills. Yes, it was just recently decided that the Speech Department, including debate, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, declamation, and discussion, be reinstated in the list of the high school's extra-curricular activities.

Speech training is invaluable whenever the occasion arises where you must say exactly what you are thinking—no more, no less.

A number of underclassmen have signified their intentions of joining the speech classes, and with a turnout such as this, we are looking forward to a successful year. Several interscholastic tournaments are being arranged.

The season will officially start immediately after Christmas vacation, and we will be expecting all of you who like to talk or argue at that first meeting, the exact date of which will be announced by Jan. 4. As in previous years, the squad will be coached by R. J. Sutherland, who has coached state championship teams as well as finalists in the state meets.

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The Jackson Journal
Charleston, West Virginia
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The Beaver Booster, Cumberland, Wisconsin, informs us that the Ethel Hanley Company presented a marionette show, "Pinnocchio" at their school.

Students had an opportunity to see the scenes behind the scenes so that they may better understand how a marionette show is run.

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The Senior Class of Copley High School, Copley, Ohio, will present a Christmas cantata. Among the selections the mixed chorus will sing, "Silent Night," and "Bells of Christmas."

The Circle
Copley, Ohio
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The P.T.A. of Marshall High sponsored a card party, Dec. 14 for the purpose of raising \$100 to start a fund to be used in installing a loud-speaker in the school auditorium.

The Spokesman
St. Paul
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Over \$60.00 was contributed to the Christmas seal drive in St. James High school, up to December 9.

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