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## Band Schedules Second Matinee, "Victory Sing"

**H. S. Musicians To Appear Jan. 31 In Sunday Concert**

Sunday, Jan. 31, at 4 p. m., the New Ulm high school band will present the second in a series of Sunday matinee concerts, with the program including numbers by the band, a soloist, one instrumental ensemble, and a VICTORY SING in which the audience will have an opportunity to participate.

The senior high school mixed chorus will assist with this feature of the program. Songs of patriotic dedication, songs for fighting spirit, songs for home and community, and songs for faith and courage will be chosen for all to sing.

Friday, Feb. 5, at 10:30 a. m. the New Ulm high school band will present another auditorium program, with Paul O. Heltné directing.

Saturday, Feb. 6, the northwest high school activities will meet at Gustavus Adolphus college, St. Peter, Minn. The local music department will send contestants in the following entries: boys' quartet, girls' trio, vocal solo, piano solo, and instrumental solo. Names of the soloists will not be available until the local elimination contest has been held.

## Anderson Lists Classroom Films For January

Twenty-five instructional films have been secured for classroom presentation for January, Elmer Anderson, visual education director, announced recently.

"Modern Metal Working with Oxyacetylene Flame", "Wise Use of Land Pays," "Transportation," and "Territorial Expansion," were shown today. Miss Irene Fisher is showing "Picturesque Salsburg" to her class Jan. 21.

Jan. 25, "People of Mexico" will be shown to Mrs. Grace Ewy's classes. Science classes will see "Nervous System" "Fungus Plants," and "Butterflies." "Boss Didn't Say Good-Morning" will be shown to the commercial classes Jan. 26. They will also see "Aptitudes and Occupations" Jan. 28. "Fourth Kingdom" will be presented Jan. 29. Social classes will see "Defense of America" Jan. 29.

Films that have been shown so far this month are "People of the Congo", "Oxidation and Reduction" and "Monroe Doctrine" Jan. 4. Social classes saw "America Marching On" Jan. 5. "Clothing" was shown to commercial classes Jan. 8 and Jan. 11, "Wheat On Call", "Sound Waves" and "Territorial Possessions" were presented. Journalism students saw "World of Paper" Jan. 14.

### TO MISS ANN WESTLING:

The students and faculty wish to welcome Miss Westling, who recently underwent an appendectomy, back to school. Congratulations on your recovery!

## Miss Blackman To Become Bride Of D. E. Drum

Miss Alice Blackman, high school home economics instructor for the last one and a half years, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Blackman, 4700 Isabell Ave., Minneapolis, will become the bride of Douglas E. Drum, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Drum, 3038 Forty-seventh Ave., Minneapolis, at the Hennepin Avenue Methodist church at 8:30 p. m. Jan. 30. Miss Blackman will leave for her home next Friday.

Attendants will be Charlotte Hagen, bridesmaid, Miss Blackman's cousin; and James Blackman, her brother, who will act as best man. Francis Hintzen and Sharon Hawley, Mr. Drum's small cousins, will be flower girls. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Drum, will be hosts at a bridal dinner in the Neo-Classical room at the Curtis hotel Jan. 29.

Both Miss Blackman and Mr. Drum are graduates of the University of Minnesota. The bride is a member of Gamma Omicron Beta sorority and Mr. Drum, of Beta Alpha Psi.

Following the ceremony, the bridal couple will leave for a wedding trip and will be at home at 3531 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis, after Feb. 15.

Members of the home economics club were hostesses at a shower for Miss Blackman Jan. 6 at the home of Mrs. Paul Fuller.

## Dr. Kathleen Jordan Administers 1943 Mantoux Test

Dr. Kathleen Jordan from the Minnesota Public Health association spent last week in New Ulm administering the Mantoux test for tuberculosis to students in all of the New Ulm schools.

All students in the kindergarten, first, eighth, ninth, and twelfth grades were given opportunities to be tested. Any new students were also eligible for the test.

Blanks for parental permission by signature were provided to students. If positive reactions were noted, students were given x-ray examinations.

The Mantoux testing program eventually includes all students in the public schools as they proceed through the system.

## Council Lists Service Men

Recent meetings of the student council have been devoted to discussing ways and means of providing the school service bulletin board which would contain the names, rank, and branch in the service of all boys and girls who are graduates of New Ulm high school and who are in the service of the United States. Students have been asked to cooperate with the council in securing the list of names.

The board will be twenty-seven by thirty inches, and a plaque will be fastened above the names. Miss Lucile Bruce of the art department and William Grefe of the manual training department will be in charge of designing and constructing the board, while Margaret Puhlman and Marie Seifert, members of the student council, will have charge of preparing cards listing each individual's name and rank in the service.

## New Instructor



REPLACING MISS ALICE BLACKMAN, home economics instructor, Miss Mary Lou Hardt of Monona, Iowa, will begin her teaching duties in New Ulm high school Jan. 25.

Miss Hardt is a graduate of Iowa State college at Ames, Iowa. She will teach the boys' foods classes and all clothing groups.

## Boys Discontinue School To Enlist In Naval Service

Just as other 18 and 19 year old boys throughout the country are doing, three seniors and two juniors of New Ulm high school recently left school to serve their country.

The seniors, John Herzog, John Furth, and James Schleuder, enlisted in the U. S. Navy last week.

Pat Keckeisen, junior, has also joined the naval branch of the service.

Another junior, Willard Breu, has discontinued school, planning to enter the armed services or to help out in the farm labor situation.

## Two Jerks Hear Chirps

Spring is here! How come? Well it's simple—just hearken to an experience two N.U.H.S. students had recently.

Al and Pat took a trip to the cities via the thumb, spent the day visiting various theaters and stores, and then proceeded homeward. Ride No. 1 took them to the thriving little town of Mankato where they were obliged to spend the better part of an hour. It was in this town that spring made its grand and glorious debut. Pat and Al got out of the car, seated themselves on the curb and immediately began to get the chills.

Just then, as if to mock them, a robin fluttered up, settled upon a branch of a nearby tree and began to chirp. And if that doesn't prove that spring is here, then nothing can. They were so busy watching the antics of their Feathered Friend that they almost missed Ride Number 2. They want to go on record for spotting him first, too.

At a recent meeting of the Fri Le Ta club, a boy-and-girl party was planned for the near future.

## Lyceum Program To Feature Music, Acrobatic Trio

Acrobatics, baton twirling, and the solovox will be featured in an auditorium lyceum program to be presented by the Novelty Trio, Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 3 p. m. The group is sponsored by University of Minnesota Extension service.

Ripley's "Believe It or Not" has centered attention on Nelson Thomson, a member of the trio, who is able to raise his feet above his head while his thumbs rest on top of two upright bottles, his only support.

National champion baton twirler Stephan Markham will demonstrate his skill in keeping the batons in constant motion.

Great variety of effects and beauty of tone through the solovox, a new musical instrument, will be presented.

## Juniors Choose Ring Pattern

Junior class members, at a recent class meeting, reached final decisions on their class dues and rings. The ring pattern was selected, and the Josten company of Owatonna, Minn., expects to make shipment in the early part of April.

An orchestra and light refreshments were decided upon in connection with the prom. A banquet and nickelodeon music were voted down.

## Navy Life, South American Cities Are Film Topics

"A Trip Around South America" and "Men of War", a navy film, were two movies shown in the assembly during activity period Jan. 8.

Two short talks by Teddy Ristau and a member of the navy recruiting station in Mankato, Minn., followed the films and made the second movie of particular interest to New Ulm high students. Teddy, who is a naval machinist's mate first class, is a 1934 alumnus of N.U.H.S.

Among cities depicted and described in the travelogue film were Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, and Lima.

## Faculty Gives Farewell Party

Faculty members attended another of the monthly faculty dinners held Jan. 14, a farewell dinner for Miss Alice Blackman who will leave soon to be married Jan. 30.

Members of the committee were: A. J. Snowbeck, chairman; Elmer Anderson, and the Misses Lila Sogn, Oattie Applen, Alice Steen, and Evelyn Ogrosky. Small gifts tagged with humorous verses were presented to the guest of honor.

## Council to Sell Keys to Dealer

The key drive recently sponsored by the student council has been terminated, and Charles Johnson, who headed the key drive committee has collected all the keys and will sell them to local junk dealers, the profits to go into the council treasury. "The drive was quite successful," Charles commented.

## Victory Corps Places Students In Service Units

### Program Provides For Participation In War Effort

(By Bernice Binder)

"New Ulm high school Victory corps, which goes into effect at the beginning of the second semester, Jan. 25, has a double-barreled aim," says Principal H. G. Dirks. "It is to provide accelerated training for war service to members entering the service after graduation and to give high school pupils an opportunity for active participation now in their community's war effort."

Organization of the Victory corps marks the completion of the "all-out for victory" program in New Ulm high school. It will provide opportunities for every student in the school to contribute in some way to the war effort.

### LOCAL COMMITTEES

The local committee to head this program, which is nationwide, will have Superintendent W. A. Andrews and Principal H. G. Dirks as administration directors. They, with Dr. T. F. Hammermeister and Ralph J. Stewart, members of the New Ulm Board of Education, also compose the advisory committee on military drill. Miss Oattie Applen and Joseph Harman will head the mathematics and guidance program. Science will be under Miss Orlene Raverty's supervision. Thomas Pfaender will head the physical fitness program. Critical operations will be headed by Ernest Hoefs, William Grefe, and Paul Fuller. Chosen to head agriculture is Richard Pengilly.

These directors function above the councillors of the special service division.

### PFAENDER IS COUNCILLOR

The councillors of the special service division will be headed by Thomas Pfaender, general councillor. Miss Oattie Applen is to direct the air service, and land service will be under the direction of William Grefe and Joseph Harman. Miss Orlene Raverty will supervise sea service. Production is under the guidance of Richard Pengilly and Ernest Hoefs. Communication service will be taken care of by Paul Fuller.

Voluntary members, who are the students, compose the third category. Bases for membership are as follows: the student must be enrolled in a secondary school and have permission to join from the principal and councillors. He must be participating in some war time activity, and the subjects that he is taking must be in line with the war effort; if not, he may change to those that are. Physical education classes also must be attended.

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## Senior Speech Group Selects Class Play

Well, seniors, it's your turn now. Can you outdo the juniors? Yes, it's the senior class play.

The advanced speech class, which includes Herb Brugger, Louis Marti, Phyllis Niehoff and Warren Sandmann, under the direction of R. J. Sutherland, speech and dramatics instructor at New Ulm high school, will select the play in the near future.

Each student will read two plays a week for about four weeks. The plays are from the department library, and after this inspection and examination program, a final selection will be made by the group.

The play will probably be given in the middle of March, Mr. Sutherland reports.

# Hear Ye! Hop on the Band-Wagon--- Be a Victory Corps Member!

Are the students of New Ulm high school war-minded? The answer in many cases is "No." Many of us don't even realize we're at war. But the time has come when we must and will begin to realize that there is a war and that we are fighting. With the "all-out for victory" campaign being emphasized through the Victory corps, everyone will have a chance to get on the band-wagon.

The Victory corps has two main objectives: [1] the training of youth for war service after they leave school, and [2] the active participation of youth in the community's war effort while they are yet in school. This corps will give all the students an opportunity to do their part for their country.

Let's all do our best and cooperate 100 per cent with this project. Every red-blooded American student must, can, and will help if he wants to get in the fight to save his own land, the land of the free and the home of the brave.

## Marking Insures Against Loss

During the cold winter months when conditions exist which require us to annex many extra small articles of clothing for additional comfort, the lost and found department does a thriving business.

Experience has proved that mittens, scarfs, rubbers, ear muffs, and other articles of that nature are easily mislaid and likewise never located.

To alleviate this condition, make an effort to mark your belongings. A very simple process—and a good insurance against loss. This will spare the school and you a lot of trouble.

## Heinemann Comments On Fine Schools

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Department of Education  
St. Paul

December 17, 1942

Mr. Ralph J. Stewart  
Clerk, Board of Education  
New Ulm, Minnesota  
Dear Mr. Stewart:

Upon the occasion of my official visit to your schools on December 10th, I was favorably impressed with the fine educational program that is being provided for the boys and girls of your community under the able administrative leadership of Superintendent Andrews. The fixing of departmental responsibility and the constant study of professional problems by departments is an evidence of sound planning.

The cleanliness of every building and the fine program of building maintenance is very commendable.

The excellent program of health and physical education is noteworthy and is entirely in keeping with the present emphasis on physical fitness.

I was pleased to observe the fine library facilities, the development of a good counseling program in the high school, and the comprehensive adult-education program.

The level of instruction is high throughout and the teacher-pupil attitude is excellent.

Your school continues to make steady progress in every department.

Very truly yours,  
F. E. Heinemann  
Director, Graded Elementary  
and Secondary Schools

## The Future Holds-

Hats made of Bubbfil, which is a continuous stream of cellophane bubbles filled with air, wrinkle proof trousers with Lamisel interlining, glass frying pans and mailboxes, bathroom pipes of colored plastics, dresses made of milk products—these will all be in our daily life after Victory.

Is necessity really the mother of invention?

## Basketball

by "Vogie"

B is for basketball,  
A sport loved by all;

A is for action  
In handling the ball;

S for success,  
Wished by each man;

K is for keenness  
In guarding each man;

E is for energy  
It takes to succeed;

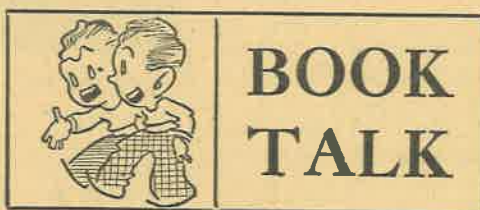
T is for team spirit  
In holding the lead;

B is for baskets  
Needed to win;

A is for ability  
To take it on the chin;

L is for loyalty  
We have for our team;

L is for luck,  
With all "on the beam."



The Doctors Mayo by H. P. Clapesattile is an outstanding book about three outstanding men, the Mayo doctors, father and sons

The cyclone of 1883 blew fame their way and set the Mayos' course in life. In Rochester, after a permanent hospital had been built, a world-famous medical center was quietly born.

"We were reared in medicine as a farmer boy is reared in farming," Dr. Will often said. Even though they started at the top of the ladder they pulled up the ladder after them, climbing to new heights.

Anyone living in this part of the state will greatly enjoy this book since it gives a clear and accurate picture of conditions in Rochester and Southern Minnesota in earlier days. The personalities of the doctors are made to come alive through the work of this author, and young and old alike could not help finding the book a rare reading treat.

## WE SENIORS

By "Marti"

NAME: Betty Case  
NICKNAME: Casey  
PET PEEVE: Mean people  
PET SAYING: "Nuts"  
HOBBY: Farming

NAME: Eunice Olson  
NICKNAME: Ole  
PET PEEVE: Modern Dancing  
PET SAYING: "Woman?????????"  
HOBBY: Biology

NAME: Georgine Michelson  
NICKNAME: Mike  
PET PEEVE: Students on Monday mornings  
PET SAYING: "What do you think?"  
HOBBY: Day dreaming

NAME: Marlys Johnson  
NICKNAME: Mars  
PET PEEVE: People who don't say "hello" when you say it  
PET SAYING: "Ball of Fire!"  
HOBBY: Dancing

NAME: Eunice Havemeier  
NICKNAME: Pat  
PET PEEVE: Men who act like boys  
PET SAYING: "Darn"  
HOBBY: Collecting air

NAME: Herb D. Brugger  
NICKNAME: Herb  
PET PEEVE: Training rules  
PET SAYING: "You ain't a-kidding"  
HOBBY: Women

NAME: Ellen Brust  
NICKNAME: Shrimp  
PET PEEVE: Cliques in school  
PET SAYING: "You ain't just a-whif-fin!"  
HOBBY: Scrapbooks

Some of the plaid skirts and pants hurt the eyes, eh?

## 'Round the Route

With Ruth



Hollywood is having competition now. Pretty stiff competition, at that. A new film industry is rushing into existence down Mexico way. Sigh..... I can just see those dashing Mexican caballeros now, can't you, girls?

According to the student council president, mistletoe is quite the thing.....even after Christmas.

Have you ever heard of concentrated orange juice? That's what British children are getting now. It comes in bottles and is shipped from America. I wonder how it tastes.

Periodical writers say some apt things: Mayor La Guardia observed his sixtieth birthday by giving the Red Cross a pint of his blood. Any invalid soldier who gets that is likely to be a tough customer to handle..... The British Eighth Army has now reached the arid wastes of Tripolitania. All the soldiers can see is sand, rocks, and Rommel's heels..... It is good news that the United Nations are gaining air superiority in the Pacific. The Japs are losing planes faster than they can be built and pilots faster than they can be grown.

Those papers—more commonly known as income tax reports—are floating around again. Thank goodness, we students don't have to figure them out. It'll give the faculty a slight headache, I'll bet. Can't say I envy them either.

Here's a little information that should make us think. A while ago, Cedric Adams said something in his column about the marvelous way the California people are taking shortages and rationing. Someone wrote in and told him why they're not complaining. Quote: "It's because periodically a ship comes in from combat area. We see our boys in blue come joyously home grateful for a look at the good old U.S.A. We see those lads, many of them swathed in bandages, others limping, but all smiling. We saw the U.S.S. San Francisco with her bridges away, her sides a mass of shrapnel scars. We saw the U.S.S. Shaw return from Pearl Harbor. We know what those men and ships have gone through. Why should we squawk about a few simple little changes in our living habits?" Unquote.

## Deduction by N. U. H.S Physicist

In all the realm of science,  
The perplexing laws of gravity  
Are held by students in defiance,  
Until explained by Raverty.

We then proclaim when thus explained  
With statement wise and true,  
Why, gravity is the very same  
That sticks the earth to you!  
By Eimstein(ed)

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# The Catty Kitty



BACKER

If you hear Robert S. singing the "Marines G Hymn", don't be surprised. U. S. Marine Corps—look out, here he comes.

A group of junior girls are sitting in the "Maid." A few boys walk by. The girls run to the window with many "Oh's and "Ah's." All their eyes are on one and the same person. He is wearing boots and breeches. The mystery is—that Old Country Gentleman, Henry J. Nicklasson.



KRAHN

PURRS: To those, especially boys, who have gumption enough really to sing out when the national anthem is played.

To you spirited senior boys who even went so far as to leave some of your voices up at the Fairfax game. Remembering that some of the boys would have been more at home on the floor, they deserve real credit.

To the navy for showing us the movies and fine examples of what they turn out.

To you girls who have been making frequent visits to the O.P.A. office. Guess why?

HISSES: To those who still "Boo" at basketball games. C'mon! let's see a little sportmanship in there.

To you, student council. You're not giving us enough dances and parties. (Who am I kidding?)

To the weather man for not giving us enough snow. Gee whiz! What's winter without a lot of snow? Hmm!

Well, it looks as though New Ulm high school is going to be well represented in the navy. The crystal ball also shows a corresponding decrease in the male population.

MEOW! MEOW!

Nice going there, band! You done us up

right smart Friday night—not over-looking the help the majorettes gave.

The taller girl's twirling seemed to be especially appreciated by one "Hogy."

### THE KITTYS DAY OFF

Mr. Pfaender (to little boy in cafeteria) "You were a very neat boy not to throw your orange peels on the floor. Where did you put them?"

Little boy: "In the pocket of the kid next to me."

Denny (returning to theater seat after intermission): Did I step on your toes as we went out?"

Seated Man (grimly): "You certainly did."

Denny: "Here we are, Lilly. This is our place."

Betsy K.: "Did you ever hear anything so wonderful?" (as the radio ground out the latest swing.)

Her mother: "Can't say I have, although I once heard a collision between a truckload of empty milk cans and a car filled with ducks."

Something bare about the front hall? Of course! The X-mas tree is gone.

# Redwood Falls Hands Eagles First Defeat, 30-22

## Team Wins First Three Contests

(By Ralph Werner)

Fighting all the way, the New Ulm high school Eagle basketball team suffered their first setback recently when the powerful Redwood Falls cage team invaded the local court and took home a 30-22 victory. The Eagles just couldn't match the height and skill of the Redmen.

This was the Eagles' first loss after winning three straight contests over Fairfax, Gaylord, and a strong alumni team. The Eagles took an easy victory over the Fairfax Cardinals in the opening game in early December and defeated a stronger Gaylord quinton the foe's court a week or so later. During the vacation the Eagles met a strong alumni team that included some of the best cagers the high school has produced and again came through on top.

MORRIS SAATHOFF has sparked the Eagles in all of their wins and played good ball against the Redmen who proved to be too powerful. Coach Joe Harman has been experimenting with the men in an attempt to find the scoring combination that will click. Such boys as Cal Backer, Leo Wilfahrt, Johnny Esser, Keith Oswald, Bill Kuester and Harold Fenske have seen plenty of action while Harman has such reserves as Ray Reed, Oran Borchert and Charles Doering to rely on.



THE CERTAIN LOVELY SOPHOMORE WHO HAS A CRUSH ON THE CAPTAIN OF THE TEAM—

THE DEAR OLD COUPLE WHO HAVEN'T MISSED A GAME IN TWENTY YEARS—THE STUDENT BODY ADDRESSES THEM AND CALLS THEM MOM 'N POP.

THE STUDENT FROM THE OPPOSING SCHOOL WHO TALKS ALL EVENING ABOUT WHAT HIS SCHOOL DID TO ALL ITS OTHER OPPONENTS—

THE CRONIES OF THE STAR PLAYER, WHO SHOUT CHOICE BITS OF HIS OWN PRIVATE LIFE AT HIM WHICH HE, IN AN UNGUARDED MOMENT, TOLD THEM.

## Reviewing Sports in the Spotlight with "Wiener"

Hats off to all of the men of the basketball team for playing such a fine game in the first four contests. The student body will be behind you in the rest of your games, and many of the students are eyeing that district meet. That should be your goal, too.

Our congratulations also go to Coach Joe Harman for the things he has done with his team. Harman took the boys into practice every evening and taught them the things they are supposed to know, and now he is grooming them for the rest of the season. One thing he has been having difficulty with is to establish a stable starting five, but he should get around to that shortly.

Dick Pengilly and Tom Pfaender are also two coaches that shouldn't be forgotten. Dick is coaching the wrestling squad and is preparing them for several tournaments if arrangements can be made. Dick has quite a few boys and he should be able to have a good squad. Tom has charge of his gym squad which is showing up well and which after several more practices, will go out to try to attain last year's record—eight wins and no defeats.

Each student should bid goodbye to several New Ulm high school athletes who will soon enter the service of their country in one branch of the service or other. A complete list of these boys is not now available, but will be printed in this column as soon as they leave, together with their high school athletic accomplishments.

Although basketball is still in the spotlight, every once in a



## Fems Keep Fit

(by Vogie)

Due to the occupancy of the small gymnasium by the junior boys on Tuesday nights after school, the girls are limited to one night a week, Thursday, for their activities.

Basketball is now being played by G.A.A. members, but more girls are encouraged to come out. This activity will be continued for several weeks.

Every Thursday new teams are chosen from among girls who are present, and everyone gets a chance to play.

To distinguish between the two teams, one team wears purple "pinays", a type of bib.

Two main "hot-shots" of the basketball floor in G.A.A. are Laura Wieland and Dorothy Saffert.

The senior high girls have few representatives in G.A.A., and more are urged to come out. The junior high girls must be interested in keeping physically fit and earning points towards their all-school letter.

Basketball is new to many young girls, but they are all willing to learn. Girls like Bonny Neuwirth and Cleo Volinkaty know why.

Dropping in on the girls dur-

while you hear some of the boys talk about the sports that have passed by, thinking of the time when they will come again. These boys still remember football and are looking forward to baseball and track.

## Eagles To Meet D. M. L. C. High School Team Jan. 19

(By Warren Sandmann)

Tomorrow night the New Ulm Eagles trek up the hill to tangle with a speedy Dr. Martin Luther college high school team. This is the first time in the history of D.M.L.C. that the school has had a high school team, and Coach Victor Voecks has turned out a winning team with such men as Fred Kiekhaefer, Roman and Aaron Valleskey, Gerhard Bauer, and Paul Priest making up the squad.

This should prove to be a good game, and anything can happen. Coach Joe Harman will probably put the same five on the floor which he has used in the past, with Morris Saathoff, Cal Backer, and John Esser as sure starters.

Friday night New Ulm travels to Hutchinson to meet a strong Hutch five. This game will give the Eagles a chance to redeem themselves after the Redwood defeat.

In their physical education class, we find Miss Lorraine Graff teaching ninth to twelfth graders the fundamentals of basketball. The girls will also play nine-court basketball, which will continue for the next few weeks.

Quoit tennis or deck tennis is being taught to the seventh and eighth graders.

In a couple of weeks the girls will once again receive the state physical fitness test. This includes several different types of tests, including the broad jump, pull-ups, and several body-building exercises.

## Obstacle Racing Is New Phy. Ed. Program Unit

Commando training recently became part of the boys' physical education training program when obstacle racing was introduced as part of the required work in gym classes.

Among the obstacles used in a typical race are climbing a rope suspended from the ceiling, crawling through a tunnel one and a half feet high, and vaulting over various objects.

The boys who prove to be the fastest at these exercises will receive special medals, Thomas Pfaender, instructor, has announced. As the GRAPHOS goes to press, George Wittenberg, Victor Reinhart, John Griffiths, and Chas. Jacobson have established race records of 24, 25, 26, and 30 seconds respectively.

An intramural obstacle race will take place soon with boys in the junior and senior high school eligible.

Obstacle racing is also an intercollegiate sport at present.

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# Wardrobes In War-Time

By Syd



Dear Kit:  
Now after the holiday season is over, I can breathe again. And since I have so much time on my hands, I'll discuss that favorite topic of mine—clothes!

Looks as if all the boys in school received heavy plaid shirts for Christmas. Certainly wish I had one, because in this weather nothing would be more appropriate.

Skirts and sweaters, blouses and suits seem to be the favorites as far as the girls of N.U.H.S. are concerned. Saw a number of nice skirts and sweaters after Christmas vacation; looks as if Santa really paid dividends!

Stadium boots are among the latest in foot apparel for girls. If you haven't ever seen them, perhaps a description will help. The boots are usually brown or black, have zippers down the front, and the inside is fleece lined. Very warm in any cold weather.

Two junior boys (namely Tom O'Malley and Harold Fenske) have started another new fad—wide, "flashy" suspenders.

"Hucky" Beyer certainly has a nice sweater! Believe it is a Jantzen. The design woven in the front of it is mooses' heads in red and

white. Definitely a bit of all right! Must close, so until two weeks from now—

Love,  
Syd.

## New Junior Girl Is Formerly From St. Peter

"It surprised me to find New Ulm high school larger than my former high school. Compared to this school, St. Peter high is the 'little brick schoolhouse,'" said Lorna Jobe, blonde and blue-eyed junior, who enrolled in New Ulm high school shortly before Christmas.

"What impresses me is the communication system. It particularly does away with the running of endless errands, I think. At St. Peter, the students volunteer to do errands—and every student has the same motive: to linger in the halls, if possible!" she said.

Lorna is enthusiastic about the friendliness of New Ulmites. "And the students strike me as being particularly friendly—they seem less formal than other students I have met, and they are also more spontaneous — not over-sophisticated. I'm sure you know what I mean," she laughed.

"Oh, it's a bit hard getting up a half hour earlier for school here, but I guess one gets used to it. I'll have to ask someone else the questions about that," Lorna concluded.

## Dr. W. A. Lundeen To Be Speaker

Dr. W. A. Lundeen, president of Gustavus Adolphus college of St. Peter, Minn., has been chosen commencement speaker for graduation exercises at the close of school this year, Supt. W. A. Andrews announced recently.

Serving his first year as president at Gustavus Adolphus, Dr. Lundeen is a newcomer to Minnesota.

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## Jinx the Jap! And Don't Spare Your Neighbor

Strange commentaries on war-time activities have been forthcoming from some of the grade school students who recently wrote essays on their campaigns to collect tin cans for the metal conservation program.

Said one enthusiastic girl-grader, "We have a big pile of cans in the hall that haven't been collected, that is getting bigger. Some of us are still asking more neighbors and friends and adding them to the pile."

Reporting on her efforts to collect Crisco and Spry cans, another said, "I tried to get some from our neighbors but didn't have any luck. They were all full of gas. At home they are full of cleaning gas."

## Baboon "Listens In" As Explorer Davies Tells of Africa

(By Bernice Binder)

"It gave me an eerie feeling when I saw Africa for the first time ten years ago. It was the things I had read and heard about it that frightened me," commented Hugh Davies of Tulsa, Okla., who spoke recently to New Ulm high school students on his trips to Africa as a photographer with Martin and Osa Johnson, as he was interviewed on the auditorium stage following his lecture.

Holding his little captive baboon, "Carmaleta", which had been taken from its mother when it was barely an hour old during the Johnson expedition, Mr. Davies related the incidents that led to the African adventure.

### ACCOMPANIES JOHNSONS

"Being a photographer and interested in excitement and adventure, I interviewed Martin Johnson after his return to Kansas from various trips. I was immensely interested in their work, and Mr. Johnson, realizing my ambition to photograph jungle life, took me on two trips to the Dark Continent," related Mr. Davies.

"We never had any serious encounters with natives, but I have

## Victory Corps

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Uniforms are not part of the program, but arm bands will be worn to designate the particular branch of service in which the individual is enrolled. Later caps and other insignia may be used.

Some changes in program will be effective at the start of second semester, as New Ulm high school will be "all-out" in the war effort by that time. All clubs not yet affiliated with war work in some way will be eliminated and others of more value substituted. The curriculum will be slightly revised for those boys who are to enter the service and who desire to take pre-induction courses. The three pre-induction courses offered are: Fundamentals of Shopwork, Fundamentals of Machines, and Fundamentals of Automotive Mechanics.

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