



# The Graphos



## Junior Play Cast



## Journalism Class Sponsors Toy Drive

by Barb

"It is better to give than to receive."

Every student in N.U.H.S. will give, and by giving, make this Christmas a happy one for certain families right here in our own community.

From December 10 through 17 the journalism class is sponsoring a drive to collect toys and clothing.

You might wonder how you as students can help. Many of you have toys and clothes at home that you've outgrown which are just

lying around collecting dust. Think how happy these things with a little fixing up will make some child or adult. An old doll, a piece of doll's clothing, a broken sled, a pair of mittens, or even something brand new certainly will be appreciated. The articles can be placed in a box in the journalism class room on second floor anytime during the day.

The journalism class will repair the toys and clothing that need repairing and wrap them, and the Brown County Welfare Office will distribute them during Christmas.

The success of this drive depends on "all of you". Making Christmas happy for some unfortunate family will also make yours a happier one.

## Christmas Concert To Present Five Local Groups Dec. 16

"Music From Around the World" will be this year's theme for the annual Christmas Concert, given December 16 at 3:00 P.M. in the N.U.H.S. auditorium, under the direction of Miss Charlotte West. Five different choral groups will be participating. Miss Nancy Cave, Phy. Ed. instructor, will accompany the chorus on the organ for two numbers: *Stille Nacht* and *Sleep of the Child Jesus*.

A feature this year will be the bells which will be used in the selection, *The Night Before Christmas*. These bells, belonging to Miss LeDuc, a special teacher at Emerson, have been used for the last 20 years. They were first used in 1875 on a sleigh, taking North Mankato children back and forth to school each day. They are still mounted on the original piece of leather.

### Various Groups Perform

The concert will include: *Sleep of the Child Jesus* and *The Night Before Christmas* by the mixed chorus; *The Twelve Days of Christmas*, *Christmas Roundelay*, and *The Sleigh* by a mixed ensemble; *That Holy Night* and *As Lately We Watched* by the girls' Glee Club; *Deliger Jordan* and *Santa Claus is Coming to Town* by the girls' ensemble. These last two groups will combine singing *Lullaby for Mary's Son*, *Carol of the Shepherds*, and *Deck the Halls* with the 9th grade chorus.

## Rotarians Selected

For the month of December the New Ulm Rotary Club has selected Billy Fenske to be Rotarian. Since his freshman year he has participated in many activities including basketball, football, and golf.

The January Rotarian chosen by the club is Ken Werner. His various activities are basketball, football, and F.F.A.

The question has arisen as to what is a Rotarian? He is a member of the senior class, who the Rotary Club thinks has been outstanding in these fields—agriculture, athletics, music, or speech. He is a guest of the Rotary Club at their weekly meetings for a month.

## 'Who Was In Kissing Booth, Patrons Wonder'

About 50 dates attended the Twirp Dance on November 10. As you descended the stairs to the small gym, your eyes were drawn to the "Kissing Booth". And girls, believe it or not, we made 54 cents on the booth. Some boys had five kisses. Now the girls can say, "Yes, boys, that's where my money goes."

So on the dates walked into the decorated gym. The decorations gave the impression of a may pole and to some it appeared as a merry-go-round. Some kigmy and shmoos were dressed as boys and girls.

The Swing Band furnished the music. Refreshments were sold. The journalism class and their dates formed the clean up committee.

On the whole, "A good time was had by all."

## 'Peace On Earth, Good Will Toward Men'



## Mr. Herrmann Has Favorite Christmas Message

"Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough—to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front of you so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas."—Henry Van Dyke.

## February 2 is Date Set for Annual Woodchoppers Brawl

Put on your old jeans, hitch yourself a goodlooker and get ready for a good time at the annual Woodchoppers Brawl sponsored by the Journalism class. February 2 is the date, the small gym is the place. The swing band will play. There again will be refreshments sold. So, gals and guys of senior high, get ready for the Woodchoppers Brawl.

## News in Brief

### Wedding bells

Doloras Scherer, last year's Graphos sport's editor, was married to Harvey Martens on Monday, November 26. Dorothy Campbell and Wally Eckstein, class of '51, were members of the bridal party.

### Congratulations!!

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Halligan announced the adoption of a four-month old son, Gregory Michael. The Halligans now reside in Fairmont where he is a commercial manager of station KSUM.

### Attention, speech students!

William Reber of Gustavus Adolphus will be student teacher in speech and English starting January 20.

### Hooray!!

There will be three senior high dances before Lent begins February 29, with the swing band playing at each one.

### Smile Pretty!

Work on the 1952 Yearbook has begun. Seniors have had their pictures taken at Meyer's Studio.

### Strictly senior high

A dance will be held in the small gym after the Springfield-New Ulm game on December 15. All senior high students are invited. Music will be by records.

### Welcome Home!!

Don Rausch, a former New Ulm High School student, now in the Marine Corps, has been home on a furlough for the past several days. Don brought with him a friend from Kansas who has been on the Korean battle front. His friend related his experience in Korea to Mr. Olson's home room.

### Former English Teacher

Miss Evelyn Larson former junior high English teacher, is resigning

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## Honor Roll

Once again the junior class leads the honor roll with 28 students. The number of senior high students on the senior high list has increased by nine.

In the senior class Barbara Fesenmaier and Evelyn Sauer are on the A list. The A Average includes Sharon Current and Sharon Oswald. On straight B are LaDonna Heck, Patricia Herrian, JoAnn Herrick, Renelda Hirschert, Geraldine Kramer, Dorothy Lee, Marianne Martinka, Carol Niemann, and Elaine Pechtcl. On the B average are Lorraine Groebner, Jean Keckeisen, and Kenneth Werner.

Junior A's are Alton Buggert and Theodore Ranheim. Mary Jane Tauscheck is the only junior on the A average. The B honor roll includes Robert Aslesen, Lorraine Bruske, Arlyn Enstad, John Heymann, James Kagermeier, Barbara Kral, Evelyn Lippmann, John Lloyd, George Maha, Marjorie Mielke, Betty Miller, Jerome Renner, Naomi Schapekahn, Janet Schmidt, Joam Schrimpf, Mary Schuck, Richard Veeck, and Rudolph Weissmann. On the B average are James Albright, Gladys Anderson, Joanne Bierbaum, Betty Carlson, Joy Herrmann, Lawrence Hippert, and Harold Ulrich.

There are no sophomores on the straight A. Jacqueline Erickson, and Mary Huhn are on the A average. On the B list are Ruth Bakken, Donna Mae Dahltorp, Leslie Dirks, Charles Hauenstein, Germaine Heck, Corrine Hessing, Edith Kottke, and Beverly Wilson. On the B average are Norma Fischer, Mimi Reim, and Verna Waibel.

## Little 10 To Meet Here

Discussing the question, "What should be the role of student government in our high schools?" the Little 10 discussion will be held January 23 at New Ulm.

Each school in the Little 10 will send three representatives. The chairmen are to be from New Ulm, and also the three students representing New Ulm will be picked from the discussion club which meets Monday, during homeroom period. The discussion participants will have dinner at Eibner's Pioneer Room.

For the purpose of planning the District 10 Speech contest which will be held March 8, faculty members representing this district will meet December 11 at Eibners.

## 'Night of January 16' Presented by Juniors

"Very fine casting," "wonderful job done by all," and "marvelous acting", were some of the comments made about the junior class play, "The Night of January 16."

The unusual part of the play was that a jury was selected from the audience, and that verdict was "not guilty," both nights.

A party was held for the complete play production crew at Mary Jane Tauscheck's home. Directors were also present.

## Adios Amigos! Mexico is Destination

The plans for the third annual Holiday Tour to Mexico are nearly completed. Seventeen adventure seekers are scheduled to make the trip. Car owners, are Mr. Tom Pfander, tour manager, F. H. Krook, Mr. Achmann, and Dr. H. E. Schwermann. Passengers in these cars will be Miss Norma Ordahl, Joy Herrmann, Barbie Kral, Mary Tauscheck, Joanne Bierbaum, Miss Nancy Cave, Ronnie McKinnon, Mr. Carl Pfander, Darwin Jones, Ken Werner, Ann Schwermann, Mimi Reim, and Carla Fritsche.

These people will cover 5,200 miles during the Christmas vacation. They will leave early December 22 and return January 6 or 7. The destination is, of course, Acapulco, Mexico, where it is 90 degrees in the shade, with palm trees swaying, and the beautiful Pacific Ocean inviting all for a swim. If you watch the New Ulm Daily Journal during the time they are gone, you will see a daily account of their travels written by a few ambitious members of the tour. Happy Holiday!

## Bjornson Speaks At FFA Banquet

A Parent-Son Banquet and Crop Show will be given December 11, in the cafeteria, by the local FFA chapter. Val Bjornson, Minnesota treasurer, will be guest speaker at the banquet which begins at 7 p.m.

Corps will be judged in the afternoon. Each FFA member will exhibit two or more crop entries.

School Board members are invited to the banquet. Donald Klossner will play a concertina solo as part of the program.

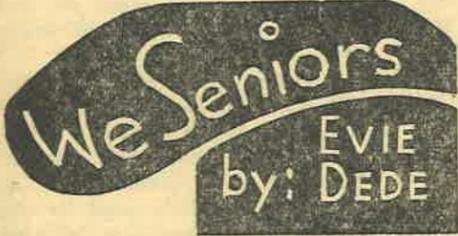
# Your Christmas In 1951

Gaily decorated streets and store windows, scurrying crowds of last-minute shoppers, Christmas carols in the air, and well-behaved children—all mark the beginning of the Yule Season. In this atmosphere few stop to realize the true meaning of Christmas.

Christmas as it means to us is the Birthday of our King and the exchanging of gifts with our family and friends. Seemingly, the latter has become the more important of the two. American Christmas is now too commercialized to stress the spiritual meaning.

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," was the message of the angels on the first Christmas. Yet since then, there have been very few Christmas seasons when universal peace has prevailed. The prayer for peace in 1951 is for a Korean Truce. This problem is increasingly important to us; for if the truce is not fulfilled within the coming year, a great share of the NUHS grade may have to serve in the armed forces in Korea.

All religious denominations now agree that universal prayer is the answer to world peace. So why not stop to think about the true meaning of Christmas and maybe, sooner than you think, the message "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" will again be echoed throughout the world.



Name: Donald Alfreds  
Nickname: "Khaki"  
Pet saying: "I hate women."  
Hobby: Studying  
Pet peeve: Women  
Future ambition: Doctor  
Remembered for: His nights out at the beach in his '41 Chev.  
Ex. Cur.: Football, band, chorus, track, intra. basketball.

Name: Ramona Finley  
Nickname: "Mona"  
Pet saying: "That's Snazzy!"  
Pet peeve: People who criticize others and not themselves.  
Future ambition: To Work in an orphanage  
Remembered for: Being a walking candy store.

Name: Frank Steinbach  
Nickname: "Red"  
Pet saying: "I don't know!"  
Pet peeve: Watching junior class play practice  
Future ambition: To raise redheads with freckles  
Remembered for: His unconcerned attitude  
Ex. Cur.: Football, basketball, baseball.

Name: Beverly Ulrich  
Nickname: "Bev"  
Pet saying: "No!"  
Pet peeve: People who go to outdoor theaters  
Future ambition: Theater manager at Klossner  
Ex. Cur.: Fri-Le-Ta.

Name: Michael Pollei  
Nickname: "Mike"  
Pet saying: "You like that, huh?"  
Hobby: painting figurines  
Pet peeve: senior girls  
Future ambition: College  
Remembered for: His decoy dinners  
Ex. Cur.: Basketball, baseball, Graphos Staff.

Name: Ronald Glaser  
Nickname: "Buddy"  
Pet saying: "Ouch!"  
Pet peeve: Anyone who goes bowling  
Remembered for: His daily naps  
Ex. Cur.: Intra basketball.

Name: JoAnn Herrick  
Nickname: "Jo"

## The Wondrous Light

Majestical, a star of splendor bright  
Enhanced the eve when Jesus came to earth.  
Rich wisemen knelt—adored the Savior's worth;  
Roused shepherds worshipped at the Holy Sight.  
Yea, pure and faithful Mary say that light:  
Child in the manger bed and swaddling girth  
His Father, Spirit of Love! This was the birth  
Revealing God's own Truth in all its might.  
It was His Plan: This Son, all mankind's brother,  
Should, by the triumph of the Cross, teach all  
To give each other's burdens kind release;  
Make this commandment ours, "Love one another";  
And show His Father father of us all:  
So in our lives may shine the Star of Peace.  
John B. Seeley

Pet saying: "Ach no!"  
Hobby: Keeping her date book filled  
Future ambition: College  
Remembered for: her contradicting manner members.  
Ex. Cur.: Debate, G.A.A., Fri-Le-Ta, Discussion, Dramatics, Declam.

Name: Stanley Youngbloom  
Nickname: "Stan"  
Pet peeve: boisterous girls  
Future ambition: To be a bold old man.  
Remembered for: His height  
Ex. Cur.: Band, F.F.A.

Name: Sharon Current  
Nickname: "Sherrrie"  
Pet saying: "Holy Cow"  
Hobby: 4-H activities  
Pet peeve: People who gossip  
Future ambition: nursing  
Remembered for: Her interest in Camp McCoy.  
Ex. Cur.: Band, Fri-Le-Ta, Chorus.

Name: George Grossmann  
Nickname: just plain "George"  
Pet saying: "ACH"—!  
Pet peeve: fast and reckless drivers  
Future ambition: surgeon, jet fier, hot rod racer, traveler.  
Remembered for: his slow drawl.  
Ex. Cur.: Intra Basketball, F.F.A.

Name: Jeanne Gherke  
Nickname: "Jeannie"  
Pet saying: "Chrononatuical miles?"  
Pet peeve: People who criticize those they don't know.  
Future ambition: to be a third and fourth grade teacher.  
Remembered for: her sweet, innocent personality.  
Ex. Cur.: G.A.A., Fri-Le-Ta.



## I HEAR MUSIC by Faith

Something new is featured in my column this issue. I hope you enjoy it. It's called "Fitting Tunes".  
"Those Wedding Bells are Breaking up That Old Gang of Mine".....Senior girls  
"Put That Ring on My Finger".....LaDonna Heck  
"Mr. Touchdown U.S.A.".....Vernie Walden  
"Always".....Renelda and Cal  
"Bashful".....Henry Brandel  
"Goofus".....Larrys Krueger  
"Going Steady".....Carol Niemann  
"Dimples and Cherry Cheeks".....Kenny Peterson  
"Too Young".....all of us. [at least our parents think so]  
"The Loveliest Night of the Year".....Graduation  
"Sometime".....Freshmen

Flash! The NUHS Swing Band is going to get uniforms. The boys will have new jackets and the girls will wear weskits. Since dark blue was the color most popular with the band, the stands will be repainted blue by the art class. The band's last performance was December 8 for the junior high dance.  
The band concert on November 16, introduced the concert band to the student body for the first time this year. In the spotlight were the brass ensemble, composed of seven boys and two girls. A clarinet duet by Margie Mielke and Joanie Schrimpf was accompanied by Mary Huhn.



## THE NOOPER

Whats your opinion of going steady?  
Jacky Erickson—No, its no good. What's the use of tying yourself up with one man?  
Rich Kosek—Can't get the girl I want!  
John Heymann—I love It!  
Liz Ewald—It depends on who you are going steady with.  
Barb Fesenmaier—That depends on how steady two people go. Although they can always be sure of a date, it sometimes hinders their having fun with girls and boys in their own group.  
John Guemmer—I'd give my right arm if I could.  
Ken Werner—I'm gonna get myself a blond because I'm tired of squeezing black-heads!  
Norma Jean Gehrke—I think it's swell, especially if he has a car.  
Jim Gasner—Going steady, what do you mean? All the girls two-time their steadies.  
Jim Kagermeier—Its wonderful all the time.  
Rich Veeck—I don't think it's a good idea until a fellow has played the field and has decided upon what kind of a girl he likes.  
Ernie Sauer—Going steady, I think it is okay if the boy has the money and a "Chev" [36] not saying what year or model it is.  
Mike Fesenmaier—If you're going steady then you can't go out with any other person if your guy is away at college.  
Leo Dittrich and Dale Gluth—Going steady is all right as long as the girl you go with does not belong to a clique.  
We think that going steady is one of the nicest things in life [provided you go steady with a certain Trinity basketball player or a

## Graphos Files by Janet Schmidt

The Senior Class presents, "The Night of January 16". That was the headline of a 1942 Graphos, way back in the days when present juniors were making a name for themselves in the first grade. That year the cast was a little larger because five reporters, two policemen, and the jury members were also chosen from the class. Fred Iseli, Rev. Iseli's son, played the part of Stevens, the lawyer.

Mr. Ness and his "Navy hero" would have been right at home in NUHS in 1921. The Bee Hive advertised "Paul Jones middle blouses" in the Graphos. The advertisement pictured a high school girl wearing a white blouse with a sailor collar, "the popular school costume".

Hummel Bros. advertised, "Brown, wooly suits and overcoats ideal for the young man." The prices were 20, 25, and 30 dollars. My, how times have changed!

The first "school-sponsored" dance was held in 1921.  
1932 home basketball games were played at the armory.

## 'B+J' HAVE THIS TO SAY:

It actually happened.  
In chemistry class the other day, Miss Raverty asked the class "If you had 17% apples, 20% pears, 18% lettuce, 30% peaches, what would you have? Alton Bug-gert pops up with "Fruit Salad."  
Something new and different.  
So seldom do we see the senior boys dressed up. Last week when graduation pictures were being taken they really looked like—men!!  
Look Alikes.  
Jerry Lewis—Loren Lentz  
Flash! Flash! Where?

boy with the National Guard in Alabama.]  
Signed,  
Two Senior Girls with the Love Bug Itch  
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WHAT IS A GOOSE PIMPLE?  
A goose pimple is something that comes when you get cold. It goes up in a hurry.  
—Jimmy Wieland  
A goose pimple is a bump you get when you get full of water—Babe Rand Jerry Gutschschuck  
A goose pimple is something that comes when you kiss a girl. It makes your skin feel funny.—Chuck Hesse  
A thrill or a chill old as the Greeks  
Caused when dancing cheek to cheeks.—Mary Schuck  
A goose pimple is something Jerry Renner gets when someone mentions girls.—Richard Ginkel  
Like a dingleberry only different.—Al Bug-gert  
A goose pimple is when you see a good looking babe.—Haldog Singapore  
Those things that are so common at the beach after shows and dances.—"Sluggo" Palmer, Esq.  
A goose pimple is a supporating postule located on the epidermis of a lamelliostal bud of the Anatidoe, having a long neck and raticulate tarsi.—Noah Webster and Joy Herrmann.

## Junior Whirl by Betty and Shirl

Before Orlue Schmidt knew her lines for the play, she had a little trouble reading the words. Her line was, "It was a dirty trick, Judge!" But she made the mistake of saying, "It was a dirty judge!" Poor Teddy Ranheim, [he's the judge.]  
The students from Lafayette always have a good excuse if they're late for first hour class. They say that the bus was late.

The new play books for the speech department have arrived, so now the boys and girls will have a fight over who decides what play we read next.

We want to congratulate all the members of the junior class play for the wonderful job they did in presenting it.

Evelyn Lippmann perfected her limp for the class play, by breaking her toe just before curtain time Friday night.

Third hour speech class tamed down quite a bit lately. Maybe because Mr. Olson [practice teacher] changed Charles Scharf's and Jerry Hames' seats around.

If you're walking through the halls and you hear voices from Amos and Andy's radio program, don't be mistaken. It's only Jim Kagermeier imitating the "Kingfish."

Joan Schrimpf didn't eat the other noon, and Lolly Jutz couldn't work or sleep the other night. My, my, Darwin Jones and Wayne Broderson are hard characters.



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## THE GRAPHOS

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**News In Brief**

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her position in the high school in Bloomington on December 14. She will be married to Mr. Perry Williams of Portland, Oregon, on December 22.

**New Library Books**

Miss McLaughlin, librarian, has made ready for the shelves 373 books up-to-date. Most of these are of the junior and senior high level.

**Committee Meeting!!**

Miss Schmid, guidance director will attend a committee meeting at the Continuation Center at The University of Minnesota on December 13, 14, and 15. This group is the Curriculum Guides Committee for Social Studies in Secondary Schools.

**We too, Have Parties**

The faculty members will hold their annual Christmas party at Eibner's on December 18.

**Uncle Sam's Man!**

Lt. Vernon Zahn, last year's junior History teacher, is now stationed at Landstuhl, Germany. He is doing rehabilitation work in an American Army Hospital.

**Local Boy Makes Good**

Photography for the 1952 Eagle will get under way December 13 and 14, when Phelps Schulke, class of 1949 will be here.

Pictures taken will be large groups, some organizations, and some candid classroom shots. Schedules are to be posted and announcements made as to time and place.

"Flip" is attending Macalester college and is head photographer for the college yearbook there.

**Home Ec. Student Teacher!**

Miss Jeanne Koski, is the practice teacher in the Home Ec. department of N.U.H.S.

Formerly, Miss Koski practice taught at Minneapolis and plans to continue the teaching profession. She will graduate from the University of Minnesota in January. She considers the students of N.U.-H.S. "very nice and friendly" and gives special attention to the beautiful Home Ec. department.

**New Grade Teacher**

Miss Patricia Lewis of St. Cloud began her duties yesterday as teacher in the first grade at Washington School.

The winter band concert is scheduled for Sunday, January 20, at 3:00 p.m. Mr. J. Strang is director of this organization.

**GIVE ME THE WIDE OPEN SPACES!**

The class of '52 decreased one in number on December 5 when Pat Kosek left for Lackland Air Base, Texas, to join the Air Force. Pat wants to be a gunsmith, and he took a test in which he scored 94 out of a possible 95 points.

**Awards and Trophies Explained In Assembly**

An assembly was held on November 31 to acquaint the students with different trophies awarded by various departments. Miss Westling explained the bread baking award; Mr. Pfaender told about the system employed by NUHS for giving out letters, chevrons, etc. Mr. Lynott showed the assembly the wrestling awards and told us about the American Legion Award. Mr. Harman explained the Tante Meyer and Harry Dirks awards. Speech awards were explained by Mr. Peterson. Mr. Olson spoke of the commercial awards and Miss Treadwell spoke of the Latin Trophy. Mr. Strang told about the Music award. Orville Broste told us about the Agriculture awards. Miss Steen gave us the points about the National Honor Society.

Every sophomore and junior should remember these awards because they are really something to work for.

**Student Music Officers and Directors**



Pictured above are the student music officers. Back row left to right are Loren Lentz, Evelyn Sauer, Duane Neubauer, Joy Herrmann, Carol Farchmin, and Janet Schmidt. Seated are Faith Fischer and Larrys Krueger.

**Mr. Strang To Attend Band Clinic In Chicago**

Mr. Strang will attend the Annual Midwest Band Clinic in Chicago, December 13-15. The Sherman Hotel is headquarters for the bands from various sections of the country, and also for lecturers who are big names in the field of music. The purpose of this convention is to familiarize band directors from the Midwest with latest trends in music and techniques.

**Gustavian Gives Views Of School and City**

Have you ever wondered what a student teacher thinks of our school, of the students, of the teaching profession? To get the answers to these questions we have interviewed Milton Olson, a teacher in speech and American history. Mr. Olson is attending Gustavus Adolphus college. He has taken over ninth and eleventh grade speech and American history classes. He has two majors, speech and history.

"Not only a beautiful building inside and out, but well organized and immaculately clean", was Mr. Olson's first impression of New Ulm High School.

Since Mr. Olson has not worked with many high school students he

can not by comparison classify the students of NUHS, but he did say that thus far his experiences have been without exception interesting and enjoyable.

**Has discovered his work is difficult**

Teaching has been discovered as hard work by Mr. Olson. He feels that practice teaching is perhaps even harder, since he has to keep a written record of what he does, which will be examined by the Dean of Education at Gustavus when he returns.

"My first impression of New Ulm and it's citizens was that they were both very nice. I think the city itself is beautiful and as George Grim said, it is historic." I have one minor gripe, and that concerns a personal encounter with a local business man which didn't materialize into anything serious."

**Compliments teachers, also**

"The faculty of New Ulm," he feels, "particularly my critic teachers Chauncey Peterson and Roger Leak have helped make my work here enjoyable, intellectual an interesting."

Fasston, "state basketball champs of 1913" is the home town of Mr. Olson. He participated in debate and dramatics at Gustavus. He also is a member of Nu Upsilon Gamma Fraternity.

**When Do You Work?**

The year has 363 days. If you sleep eight hours a day, you sleep 122 days. That leaves you 243 days in which to work, but.....

If you rest 8 hours a day, that takes another 122 days and leaves you, for the balance of the year, 122 days.

As a good Christian you must deduct 52 Sundays, leaving only 69 days.

Then comes 52 Saturday half-holidays equalling 26 days and leaving only 43 days for working purposes.

An hour and a half for lunch each day totals 20 days. Two weeks vacation, which you are entitled to, leaves a balance of 6 days. But remember that you will need everyone of them in order to celebrate New Years Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas. When do we work? Mazasha Messenger

**Debate Tourney Held at Tri-Mont**

With five wins and three losses the NUHS debate team competed in its first tournament of the year. The tourney was held at Tri-Mont High School in Triumph, Minnesota. There were 15 to 20 schools from southern Minnesota and northern Iowa. The New Ulm team members are Jean Keckeisen, JoAnn Herrick on the affirmative, and LaDonna Heck, and Noel Iverson on the negative.

The next tournament the team will attend will be at Macalester, December 7 and 8. At this time, Dick Veeck will be on the negative, taking Noel Iverson's place.

The debaters will also attend the Carleton tournament December 21, and 22.

**A Thought For '52**

Last night I saw a star  
As bright as a star could be  
A shining from afar—  
It brought memories back to me.  
It reflected the times I was good  
And also the times I was bad;  
The times I was happy  
The times I was sad.  
It made me stop to count My blessing  
Of which there are many; I'll only name a few  
My family, my home, my friends,  
my living—  
Why don't you stop and count too.  
"Dear Master, help me love my fellow man  
Grant peace the whole year thru  
May that in your heavenly plan."  
That's my prayer for '52.

By—  
the Least

**Music Officers and Artists Named**

Behind the scenes in preparing for the Christmas concert are groups that most people never hear of—the officers of the music groups and the artists who made the posters.

The officers that were elected for different groups are these: student directors—Faith Fischer, Loren Lentz, and Duane Neubauer; presidents—Evelyn Sauer, Larrys Krueger and LaVonne Ring. The posters were made by Shirley Wallner, Janet Schmidt, Shirley Sandau, Edith Kottke, Paul Radke, Betsy Oswald, Duane Neubauer, Warren Locker, and Rance Purleburg.

**Views On Home Ec and Shop**  
by Carla Fritsche

"A stitch in time saves nine" certainly seems to be true of the home economics clothing classes now. They're all working hard on dresses, skirts, weskits, jumpers, etc. We'll certainly be looking forward to the days when the girls wear them to school; we'll have a regular style show. Who knows, they might even attract some new Home Ec students.

"Umm, good." That's what you'll be hearing in a few days when the senior boys home ec class bakes their fruit cakes. After the fruit cakes, they'll begin to make Christmas candies and cookies. Next on their calendar will be meal preparations. They have covered a unit on food for health during the first two six weeks.

Baking is the unit that the 9th grade girls are taking. They'll also bake Christmas goodies.

Cookies, cakes and quick mixes are being baked by the 8th grade girls.

The boys in shop are making the sound effects for the song, "Open the door Richard!" In other words, they're making door knockers. The knockers are steel and each is designed individually. There is quite a bit of work in designing them, cutting out the design, from the steel, polishing, filing, etc.



**Combination of Ideas Used in Redecoration Of Library**

"Out with the old in with the new!" Everybody's talking about the new, more elaborate decorations our library will be getting during Christmas vacation.

The 10, 11, and 12 grade art students are contributing to the planning by working out their ideas of a color design. Stanley Wold, art instructor, will supervise.

Elizabeth Reinhart and Bob Nichold made perspective drawings of the library while Rudy Weissmann constructed a model of the room. The resulting project will be a combination of everyone's ideas, students and teachers alike. The art classes should be congratulated on their fine work in adding to the beauty of N.U.H.S.

**NOTICE**

Anyone knowing of any NUHS alumni in service please let us know the address and we will send him the "Graphos".



### Large Percent of Students Take Mantoux Test

The annual tuberculin testing program was given November 13 at N.U.H.S. when Dr. Kathleen Jordan gave the tests. Of the 47 seventh graders who took the tests, only one was questionable. Questionable means that the individual is advised to take the test next year. Those who react positively should not take the test next year, but should be X-rayed instead. One hundred and nine students from the ninth grade participated in the Mantoux test. Of these, 102 were negative and seven positive. The senior class had 77 people take the test. Four proved positive; 3 questionable. Miss Bruess stated that the percentage of students taking the test this year is better than any other year since the test began.

### Marionettes Perform Jan. 8

The Cole Marionettes will present "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" in the school auditorium on January 8. The play revolves around Ichabod Crane, the eccentric school teacher, including his escapade with the Headless Horseman. It is said to be an entertaining, pleasing play given with life-like marionettes, appropriate background music, and suitable settings.

### Fri-Le-Ta To Have Christmas Party

Talent was emphasized during the Fri-Le-Ta meeting held Thursday, December 6. Mary Lou Schmitz did a tapdance and Faith Fischer sang "Can't Help Lovin' That Man" and "If I Loved You."

The next meeting will be a Christmas Party. White elephant gifts will be exchanged. Barbara Fesenmaier is in charge of entertainment.

The annual boy-girl party will be held sometime in February.

### Christmas Always

There's always be a Christmas—

The bells, the candle glow,  
And babies' stockings by the fire  
Because we will it so.

There'll always be glad greetings  
To ring through every land,  
And carollers will sing to hearts,  
And hearts will understand.

We'll always watch the heaven,  
Watch one star's Christmas glow—  
We'll always have a Christmas,  
God help us keep this so!

—Cynthia Hurst



### Dear Santa

- Dear Santa,  
Please bring to:  
John Erickson—a horse to go with his cowboy boots  
Bill Fenske—a key to the physics tests  
Mr Harman—a 14day reducing plan  
Harold Mees—a Toni home permanent  
Noel Iverson—a collection of Wylie's latest  
Sharon Current—free mail service to Camp McCoy  
Joan Schrimpf and Darwin Jones—a peace pact  
Mr. Olson—fewer "shintzy" typists with more typing paper  
The Weismann family—a joyous first Christmas in New Ulm  
Miss Raverty—a new fender for her car  
Jean Keckeisen—one way ticket to Cambria  
Red Broderson—his "lolly"-pop back  
Miss Kayser—her students; an appreciation for Shakespeare  
Mexican tourists—a nice tan and lots of tequilla  
Mr. Achman and Mr. Wold—a recipe book for their new apartment  
Jim Kagermeier—a "Joy"-ful Christmas  
Betty Mite—an "Al-bright" holiday  
Shirley Sandau—peace with John Wolf  
Everyone—a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

### N.U.H.S. Debate Squad Travels to Macalester

The New Ulm debaters went to the Macalester debate tournament December 7 and 8. The students that entered the tournament were La Donna Heck, Richard Veeck, Jo Ann Herrick and Jean Keckeisen. Ruth Bakken also went on the trip to observe.

The affirmative team, Jo Ann Herrick and Jean Keckeisen, won two out of five rounds. The negative team, La Donna Heck and Richard Veeck, also won two out of five rounds.

About 30 teams from all over the state were present. Friday night Macalester College gave a banquet for all the debaters and their coaches. Later in the evening Macalester presented a play, "The Christmas Nightingale" for all the visiting students.

Certificates were given to the outstanding debaters in the tournament but unfortunately, no one from New Ulm received one.

The next tournament the team will travel to is Carleton December 21-22. The team is really out to win this tournament.

### Final Spelldown in Assembly

Home-room spelling contest winners will be awarded NUHS pins. A spelldown was held in each home room on Monday, December 10. These winners will compete in a spell down in assembly.

### Six Attend American Vocational Convention

Six of the N.U.H.S. teachers attended the forty-fifth American Vocational Convention in Minneapolis November 26-30. It was a great opportunity for them because these national meetings are usually held in cities like New York or Atlantic City.

Tuesday evening Miss Hanson and Miss Westling heard lectures by Mr. Evelyn Millis Duvall and Mr. Fernando Romero. Mr. Romero is from Peru. The next afternoon they heard panel discussions on "What New Families Want from an Educational Program" and "Home Life with World Horizons."

Mr. Olson attended two meetings, one on "Coordinating Activities and Public Relations" and one on "How Television Can Be Used in the School." He saw a half-hour class televised. Then he went through the studio and saw a show and a movie broadcasted.

Mr. Fier heard agriculture reports and panel discussions. There were 121 different exhibitors there showing text books and other up-to-date vocational equipment. Thursday

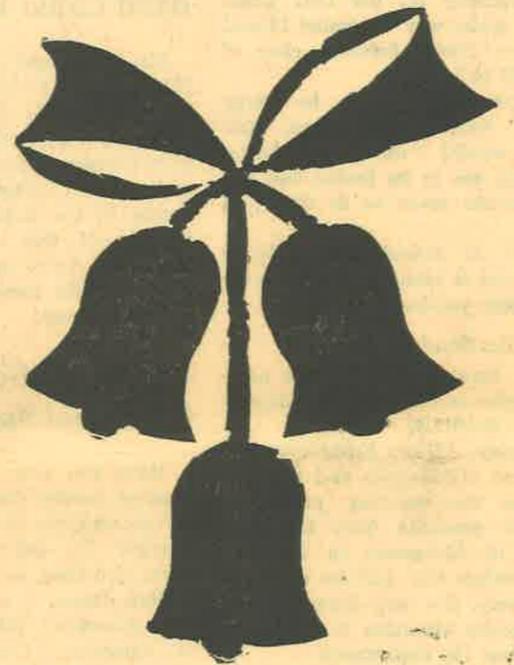
evening he attended a banquet where he heard Senator Chavez from New Mexico speak.

### Delegates from Various Countries

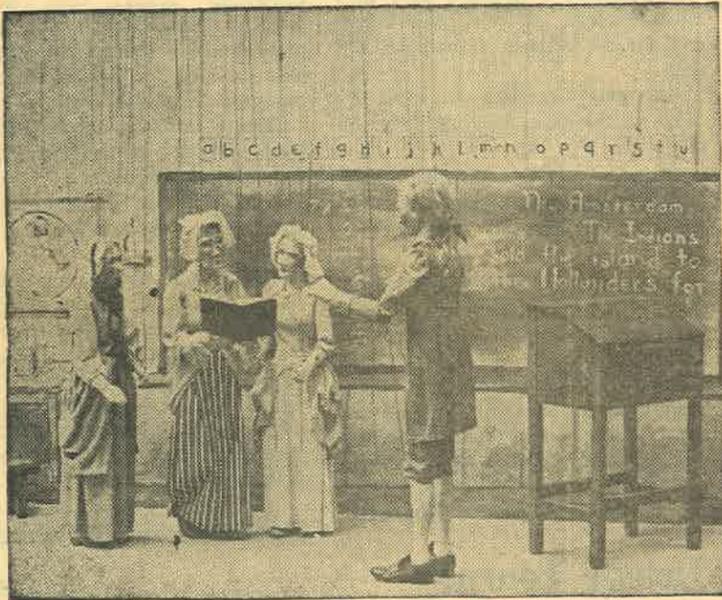
Television was also discussed at a meeting Mrs. Franklin attended. She saw an advanced Stenography Class televised. She also heard two panel discussions; one on "What Business Expects of High School Graduates" and the other "What We [educators] Expect from Business." Mrs. Franklin commented on the number of people and where they were from. A person next to her in one meeting was from Germany and she heard there were several there from Thailand.

Want to know anything about Indian silversmithing and carving plastics? Then ask Mr. Tyrrell because those were the subjects of two of the meetings he attended. Another meeting which interested him was one on how blind people are taught to run machinery.

*This linoleum block was made by Lavonne Ring as a project in art class.*



### Cole Marionettes



### Sophomore A, B, C's

- Ambition .....Richard Wollin
- Basketball .....Charles Hintz
- Cheerleader .....Betsy Oswald
- Diligent .....Edith Kottke
- Eyes .....Ann Schwermann
- Football ....."Easty" Dirks
- Galla .....Tom Liesch
- Healthy .....George Tyrrell
- Identical .....Doris and Iris Johns
- Joyful .....Darlene Hirschert
- Kind .....La Donna Eckstein
- Lively ..... "Babe" Ramnes
- Musical ..... "Jake" Lentz
- Ness-mad .....All Sophomore Girls
- Optimistic .....Bobby Fredricks
- Physique .....John Breu
- Quiet ..... "Gib" Hauenstein
- Remarkable .....Mike Fesenmaier
- Shape .....LeNay Lindmeyer
- Teeth .....Chuck Hesse
- Unique .....Carla Fritsche
- Voice .....Mimi Reim
- Wrestling .....Lowell Gieseke
- Xtra Special .....Sophomore Class
- Youthful .....Richie Kosek
- Zestful .....Jackie Erickson

### Bob Nichols Given Credit for Cuts

The Graphos staff of N.U.H.S. would like to give credit to Bob Nichols, who is doing a wonderful job of making the linoleum block cuts for the columns on the editorial page.

"Perfect design" is the first step Bob undertakes to complete a cut; next he traces the pattern on a sheet of linoleum which is mounted on a plywood block. To make the work a little more difficult all printing must be done backwards and in reverse, so as to look right on the printed page. He carves away all areas which are not to print, thus leaving raised surfaces which are the printing surfaces. "Proofs" are taken and the block is corrected. Bob sends it to the printer and hopes—

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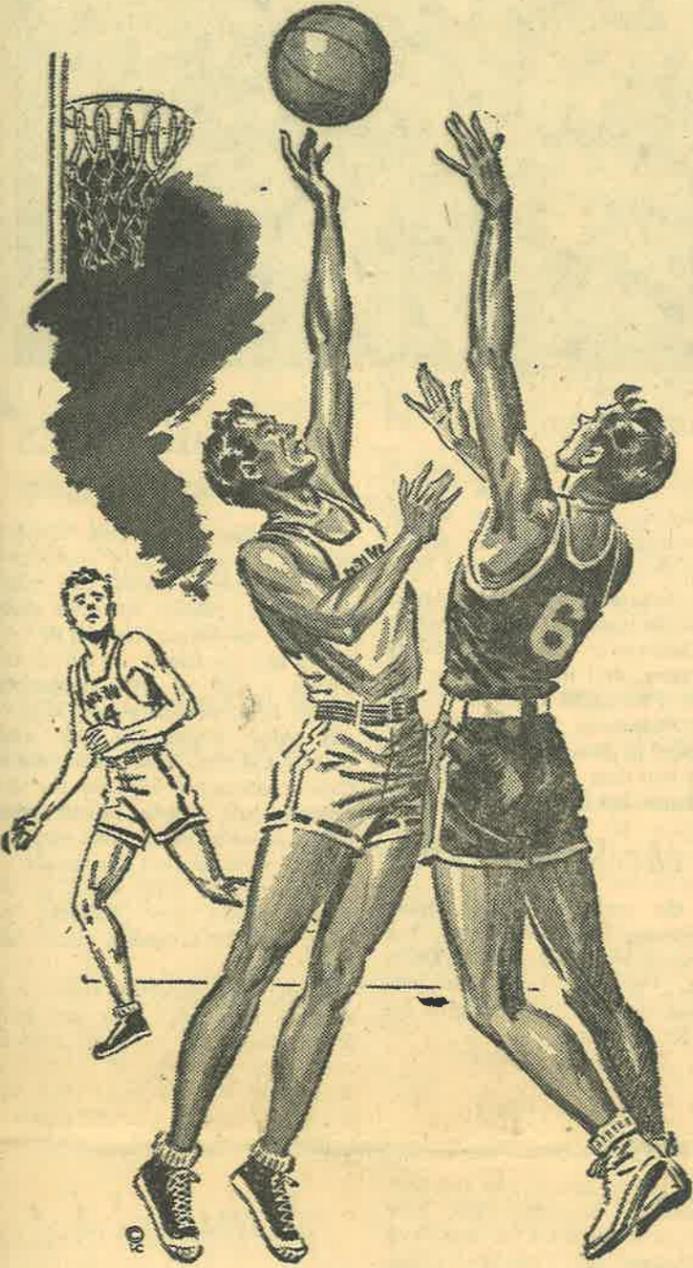
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## New Members Are Welcome on Gym Squad

Many students don't realize what the gym team is. It is definitely not a "glory sport" such as football and basketball. This fact accounts for the relatively small turnout in previous years. The forms or phases of gymnastics in general are divided into four classes, A,B,C,D, from complex to fundamental, respectively.

The Eagles work in two of these classes at present. These are C and D. The meets are not scheduled for a year ahead, as in the other sports, but are planned as the season progresses. There are eight men on a regulation gym team, along with beginners, which complete the squad.

Each man on the team must work on three apparatus and may work on more. Some of these apparatus are the mats, side horse, horizontal bar, parallel bar, and trampoline. There are others also.

In regular meets the contestants are judged on individual ability, form, and fluency of their exercise. The judging is based on a percentage foundation. That is, 100 for perfect, 75 for failure. The team with the largest total score is the winner.

Gym meets are not limited to two teams contending; as many teams as practical may enter. In the State Meet, medals and trophies are awarded to the winning teams and high scoring individuals.

The Eagles have a completely veteran team this year since no members were lost through graduation. There practice time is 4 to 6 every Wednesday. If you are interested, don't be afraid to try out. New members are always welcome.

## Eagles Win Final Game

The New Ulm Eagles won their final football game of the season 18 to 6 over Springfield on November 6. The game was scoreless until late in the first quarter when Vern Walden passed to Ken Werner for the Eagles first touchdown. The try for the point failed.

In the first few seconds of the second quarter, Tom Ubl sprinted 28 yards to make the score 12 to 0, New Ulm over Springfield. It was a tough, scoreless third quarter, but both teams let loose in the final period. Frank Stiemach passed 10 yards to John Heymann in the end zone. Springfield retaliated with a 10 yard fullback plunge for a score. The final tally of this cold, late season game was New Ulm 18, Springfield 6.

## Seven Eagles Gain Positions on Elite

John Heymann was the only New Ulm Eagle to cop a spot on the South Central All-Conference team. This is Heymann's second straight year on the South Central elite.

The team was picked by the coaches of the various schools in the conference. The grid coaches wound up with a fourteen-man team in order to give all concerned a fair representation.

The teams overall average weight is 176 pounds; the line average is 180 pounds for eight men, and the backfield average is 167½ pounds for six men.

Those who made honorable mention are fullback Frank Steinbach; tackle Jim Gasner; tackle Harry Christian; guard Larry Krueger; center Bill Fenske; and halfback Vern Walden.

This year three Eagles made the All-Star Team. Two boys made the first team; and one, the second. These teams are selected by the sports writers of this area. Two seniors, Jim Gasner and Frank Steinbach, copped a spot on the first team and John Heymann, a junior, was selected by the sports writers for the second team.

When the All-State, All-Conference, and All-Star teams are chosen we know that the end of the season has come. The New Ulm Eagles are well represented on these teams and we know that their selection to these teams is due to only one thing: hard work. Congratulations, boys.

## Forty-One Boys Report For 1951-52 Gym Squad

On November 7, coach Pfaender got his '51-'52 gym team organized. Forty-one boys turned out for the first few weeks of practice, but the less hardy dropped out the third week and thus it automatically became a normal size.

## 1951-52 Schedule For Basketball

Nov. 27	Sleepy Eye [There]	.....
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Dec. 7	St. James [There]	.....
Dec. 14	Fairmont [There]	.....
Dec. 15	Springfield [Here]	.....
Dec. 20	Waseca [Here]	.....
Jan. 8	St. Peter [Here]	.....
Jan. 11	Hutchinson [There]	.....
Jan. 18	Blue Earth [Here]	.....
Jan. 25	Redwood Falls [There]	.....
Jan. 29	St. James [Here]	.....
Feb. 1	Springfield [There]	.....
Feb. 5	St. Peter [There]	.....
Feb. 8	Waseca [There]	.....
Feb. 15	Redwood Falls [Here]	.....
Feb. 21	Sleepy Eye [Here]	.....

## New Ulm Bows to St. James 43-39

The New Ulm Eagles lost a close game to St. James by a score of 43-39. In the second half the Eagles scored only two points to the Saint's 10. The second quarter was the turning point of the game. St. James led 23-14.

The Eagles made a comeback in the second half but it wasn't enough to upset the Saints. In the final quarter the New Ulm boys tried to close the gap by scoring fifteen

points to St. James' nine, but in spite of this a final burst from the Saints clinched the score.

The main factors for the loss were a height disadvantage and a bad shooting eye.

John Heymann scored top honors for the evening with 18 points. Mike Pollei was second with 13. Top men for St. James were Bob Erdman with 12 points and Norm Anderson with 10.

## G.A.A. by Joanne Bierbaum

Six teams have been formed of the many volleyball enthusiasts of NUHS. Tournaments are going in full swing with captains being Barb Fesenmaier, Joanne Bierbaum, Dorothy Lee, Shirley Stolt, Sharon Oswald, and Marianne Martinka.

Each Monday, Miss Cave makes out a new schedule and the teams battle it out until the winner is acclaimed. At the end of the season the team winning the most games will be pronounced grand winner. After Christmas we will play our class tournaments which also promise to be exciting clashes.



## Merry Christmas

The Graphos staff wishes to extend their heartiest greetings to all Eagle athletes. We also wish their coaches, Messrs. Ness, Harman, Leak, Dahl, Achman, Olson, Tyrrell, and Pfaender, a very joyful Christmas and a victorious New Year.

## Twirlers to Perform At Game Dec. 20

The N.U.H.S. "A" twirlers will perform between the half of the Waseca-New Ulm basketball game, December 20. The band will play "Grandfather's Clock" and the twirlers will use it as their theme. The "A" twirlers performing are Jean Keckeisen, Joanne Bierbaum, Geraldine Kramer, and Barbara Fesenmaier, head Majorette. New twirling outfits will be featured during this performance.

Later on in the basketball season a combination of the "A" and "B" twirlers will high-light a game. The "B" twirlers include Margie Moe, Ruth Bakken, Barbara Keckeisen and Mary Lou Schmitz.

## Wrestlers Lose First Match to Albert Lea

The N.U.H.S. grapplers bowed to the polished team of Albert Lea 46-5. The contest at Albert Lea December 7, proved fatal for the green Eagles who with the exception of one, lost every match. George Walden, 133 pound senior, pinned Donald Whitcomb for the team's only win. Actually Walden pinned his man only after he had been knocked out by a hard fall to the mat. This was not known until after the decision, Mr. Tyrrell, coach, said.

Members of the wrestling squad include; Gordon Gerhke, 112 pounds; Jerome Feldsein, 120 pounds; Lowell Gieseke, 138 pounds; Richard Wollin, 145 pounds; Jim Albright, 154; Vern Walden, 165 pounds; and Charles Anderson, in the heavyweight class, which includes anyone over 165 pounds.

The next home match will be against Blue Earth at 4 p.m. on December 14. Other matches to be held later on are with Redwood Falls [December 13, there] and St. Peter [December 20, there.]

## New Ulm Falls to Sleepy Eye in Opener

The New Ulm Eagles traveled to Sleepy Eye November 27 only to lose the opening basketball game 35 to 43.

John Heymann who scored 17 points sparkplugged the Eagles in the fast game at Sleepy Eye. It was an off-night for Cal Rolloff, who left the game on personal fouls early in the fourth quarter without a score. The Eagles chief weakness was their defense which hasn't been stressed too much in practice due to their late season start, and the need for offensive work. New Ulm's chief lay-up artist, Tom Ubl, led the team in percentage of baskets made, with 50%.

Ken Schwartz of Sleepy Eye led the Indians with 12 points and the chief percentage of baskets was stacked up by C. Russel.

Doyle Schneider was the leading scorer in the "B" squad game with 7 points. The Indians also won the "B" game 31 to 18.

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**Season Greetings and Addenda**

I have a lengthy list of names, but moderately dear to me, Of people who dispatch their mis-adventures once a year to me; When all the world is mistletoe and myrrh and Tom and Jerry, Their Christmas cards arrive to wish my Yuletide season merry. The postman bears December's weight appropriately cheerfully— But me, I have to read the stuff; a prospect looked to fearfully. "Warm Tidings" say the billets, and the Yule motifs are jolly, But look what's scrawled inside the cards—oh, fan my brow with holly! I have a lengthy list of names, both relatives and friends to me Who annually, though they may not know it, make amends to me; I write: "Joe broke his ankle and he has to use a crutch," Et cetera. At Christmas it's so nice to keep in touch!

**How to Stay in School**

1. **Look alert. Take notes eagerly.** If you look at your watch, don't stare at it unbelievably and shake it.
2. **Bring the teacher newspaper clippings dealing with his subject.** Demonstrates fiery interest and gives him timely items to mention to the class. If you can't find clippings dealing with his subject, bring in any clipping at random. We think everything deals with his subject.
3. **Nod frequently and murmur, "How true!"** To you, this seems exaggerated. To him, it's quite objective.
4. **Sit in front, near him.** [Applies only if you intend to stay awake.] If you're going to all the trouble of making a good impression, you might as well let him know who you are, especially in a large class.
5. **Laugh at his jokes.** You can tell. If he looks up from his notes and smiles expectantly, he has told a joke.
6. **Ask for outside reading.** You don't have to read it. Just ask.
7. **If you must sleep, arrange to be called at the end of the hour.** It creates an unfavorable impression if the rest of the class has left and you sit there alone, dozing.
8. **Be sure the book you read during the lecture looks like a book from the course.** If you do math in English class and English is math class, watch the books for size and color.
9. **Ask any questions you think the teacher can answer.** Conversely, avoid announcing that you have found the answer to a question he couldn't answer, and in your younger brother's second grade reader at that.
10. **Call attention to his writing.** Produces an exquisitely pleasant experience connected with you. If you know he's written a book or an article, ask in class if he wrote it. As to whether or not you want to do some work, in addition to all this, well, its controversial and up to the individual.

**January 20 Concert to Feature 'Guess Conductor'**

The junior and senior high bands will present a public band concert on January 20 under the direction of John Strang.

The 48 piece junior high band start the program by playing *Semper Fideles* by Sousa. This will be followed by the next selections: *Metropoles Overture* by Holmes, a clarinet solo by Duane Neubauer, the familiar *Syncopated Clock* arranged by Anderson, and a cornet solo by George Peterson. *Cracker Jacks*, a novelty number with a cornet trio, will be presented. Those included in the trio are George Peterson, Don Mathiowetz, and Warren Sunday. Continuing on the program will be Don Mathiowetz with a cornet solo. Concluding the program, the band will play *Sharpshooter March* by Metallo.

The second portion of the afternoon concert will feature the 56 piece senior high concert band. *Glory of the Trumpets* will get their program under way. This will be followed by *Hymn of Freedom* taken from a Brahms selection. Elaine Gluth will proceed with a clarinet solo. The band will then continue by playing *Gavotta* by Prokofieff. Carol Niemann will then play a flute solo accompanied by Mary Huhn. Mary will also accompany Loren Lentz as he plays his clarinet solo. An added attraction featured is going to be *Guess Conductor*. An air of mystery is rising as to the nature of this novelty number and to who the guess conductor is. The band members seemingly are having a lot of fun in preparing this special rendition of the *Poet and the Peasant Overture*. The famous Sousa march, *Stars and Stripes*, containing a piccolo solo concludes the Sunday's concert.

Mr. Strang also announced that the 50 piece pep band has been rehearsing and they are going to play at all the home basketball games.

Friday, January 18, the senior high band will play for the assembly.

**How Big is Christmas?**

I cannot give you the exact measurements of Christmas, so elusive it is. Christmas is very little, and it is a spacious abiding place; so big, that a mansion can become its cozy home.

Christmas is to be found in a number of places, but its favorite haunt is home. Wise people will search for Christmas there, although foolish ones are wont to wrap their children in their winter clothes, draw their savings from the bank, and go hunting Christmas in stores!

Sometimes I have thought that Christmas likes the kitchen of a home above all other rooms, especially when kitchens are filled with the spicy odor of Christmas cookies, made by mothers and children together. I have known Christmas to vanish entirely however, when mothers tried to confine it to the cookie jar. When mothers' voices become high and tense, and children are rudely chased from the kitchen, Christmas flees.

Christmas is very small; but it is too big for the cookie jar!

It is strange how Christmas both loves and despises money. How Christmas loves money when it is used to buy warmth and comfort, cheer and health and happiness! When Miss Money begins spending herself on vain display and in "keeping up with the Joneses," she becomes the scorn of Christmas.

It is as if Christmas had said, "Nice girl, Money, when she doesn't lose her head and get too possessive. She tried to tuck me into her purse one year, but she had me size all wrong!"

Christmas is very tiny, indeed; but it is ~~such~~ too large for my purse!

Christmas cannot be tucked away in a Christmas stocking either; although some deluded parents have tried to do it.

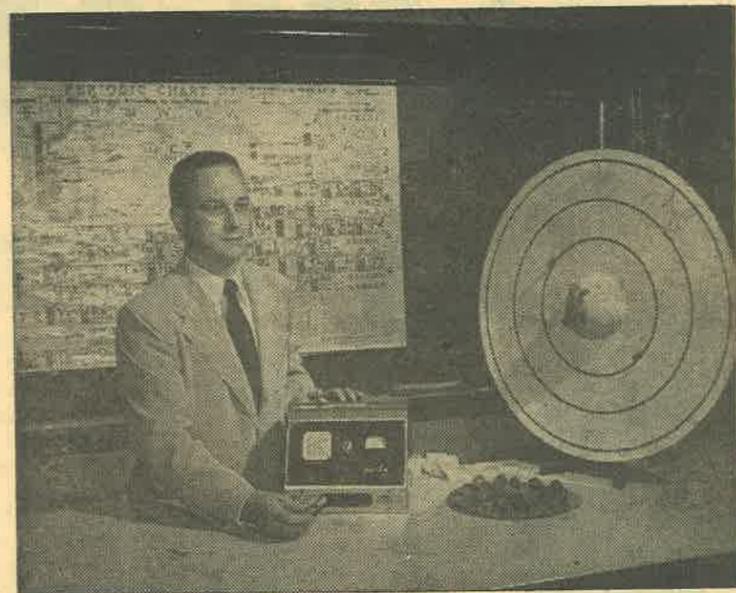
Although Christmas is often to be found in kitchens, certain kinds of living rooms are a favorite haunt also, especially those where "homey" gifts and tree trimmings are being made or little creches set up by chubby fingers. It is found where parents and children are enjoying together the old, old story of the first Christmas, or newer stories of the transformation wrought by the magic of the Christmas spirit; or where families are gathered about the piano singing carols of shepherds, and boats sailing in on Christmas Day in the morning.

Yes, Christmas is small, but it can be made large when its spirit encompasses beauty and joyousness.

Each year, Christmas comes to us—a wonderful gift wrapped in tissue and tied with red and silver ribbons. The wrappings are lovely, and are for our enjoyment, but the gift of Christmas which is within is of supreme importance. When the wrappings become too important, the gift of Christmas disappears; for Christmas is too big for a red and silver package!

—Armilda Brome Keiser

**W. L. Steinmann Presents Demonstration**



**Atomic Assembly Dec. 20**

"Peacetime Uses of Atomic Energy" is the topic which Mr. W. L. Steinmann, University of Minnesota lecturer, will present in assembly December 20 at 8:45 A.M.

The lecture will consider topics such as the nature of atomic energy, tracer isotopes in medicine, in biology in industry, and in agriculture, and control of radiation hazards.

Mr. Steinmann was formerly an instructor in Electrical Engineering and at one time connected with the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratories.

**To the Senior Girls**

All the senior girls are hoping and praying for Prom Dates, but look what happened during Twirp Season. Only 12 senior girls participated—so only 12 senior girls deserve Prom Dates.

The Senior Boys

**New Year Around the World**

Long before history was recorded the Persians discovered sugar cane and made sweetmeats an important part of their New Year celebration. These pagan Persians also made human sacrifices on the eve of the New Year in the belief that their barren fields would be fertilized by the Gods.

In ancient China it was a custom to make visits shortly after the New Year had begun. Hilarity reigned supreme in old India and Babylon, where celebration of the first day of a New Year was a very wild affair.

The superstitious people believed that during their frolicsome celebrations the pagan gods were asleep, else conveniently away from home.

The Japanese always used holly for decorations at New Year's. It is an old belief that "the prick of the thorns on the leaves would scare away devils." The emperor's first bath, *Hatsumizy*, taken early New Year morning, was called a "religious rite of cleansing and purification performed by the ruler to bring peace and prosperity to Japan and his people."

Smart children in Belgium gather keys to every room in the house on New Year's eve, and then lock the elders in their rooms on New Year's morning, refusing to release them until promised a portion of sweets.

**'Helpful Hints' for Student Shoppers**

Know what to get that "special" friend of yours for Christmas? With Christmas about two weeks away this problem concerns many N.U.H.S. students. Instead of having to ask the friend of your special friend, a list of gift suggestions might help the perplexed boy or girl. After asking the girls what they would like, it seems identification bracelets are high on the list. Cologne, silk scarfs, scatter pins, books, records, candy, and sweaters all rate with the teen age female.

Boys, on the other hand, go for gloyes, scarfs, ties, billfolds, tie clips, cuff-links, socks, and key chains.

Girls, don't expect a Buick convertible or a mink coat and boys forget about the cashmere sweater and diamond studded cuff-links. Remember it isn't how much the gift costs, but the spirit in which it is given!

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