

25, LaCrosse Logan
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The News

THE FOOL

I love to do my English,
It makes me feel so good.
I love to do exactly as
My teachers think I should.
I love school, oh so much!
That I never ditch a day,
I even love the men in white
Who are taking me away!

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Eau Claire Senior High School, Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Thursday, January 24, 1957

Sno-Ball Queen to be Elected Friday Night

Debaters Compete in Two Tournaments

Senior High's debate teams have compiled an excellent record in their last two tournaments.

Before Christmas vacation our first team competed with varsity teams from four states in Northfield, Minnesota, at Carleton College.

Eau Claire's varsity debaters gained the highest total team points in the tournament while winning six rounds and dropping four. On the affirmative, Lynn Spicher and Betsy Vankat won three and lost two as did Kathie Kidd and Jerry Weller on the negative.

Eau Claire debaters again swept a tournament January 12, at the college.

The second team entered in the "A" division and amazed everyone by taking third place. That was the first time in the history of the tournament that a second team has placed that high. On the affirmative were two sophomores, Ann McCutcheon and Leonard Friede, who won two and lost one. On the negative Jim Jones and Kathy Kappers won three out of three.

The "A" division second place trophy was won by the first team winning five out of six. On the affirmative were Lynn Spicher and Betsy Vankat. On the negative team were Kathie Kidd and Jerry Weller.

Betsy Vankat of the first team affirmative and Kathy Kappers of the second team negative were chosen for the all-tournament team. Out of a possible 60 points, Betsy had 53, and Kathy 52.

In the "B" division Eau Claire attended 94 team points. This was the highest number of "B" division team points in the tournament. For the affirmative, Barry Winick and Jack Powell won all three rounds, while on the negative, sophomore Pat Drabant and Reed McKenzie, a freshman, won two and lost one.

Reed McKenzie not only helped win the "B" division fifth place but also was named for the all-tournament team. This team was composed of the five highest scoring debaters throughout the tournament.

The Eau Claire debaters next major event is a tournament at Gustavus Adolphus College. This is a weekend tournament on January 25-26 at St. Peter, Minnesota.

Forensic Plans Made at ECHS

Forensic activities here at ECHS have begun. The speaker has a choice of eight different categories. Registration will be held in Miss Ausman's room, 203, between 3 and 4 o'clock. The final date for registration will be Friday, January 25.

The Contest Classifications are:

1. Extemporaneous Speaking
2. Extemporaneous Reading
3. Interpretive Reading
4. Original Oratory
5. Non-Original Oratory
6. Four-Minute Speech
7. Humorous Declamation
8. Non-Humorous Declamation

Extemporaneous speeches are original speeches organized within a one-hour time limit. Current affairs are the subjects the talks are based on.

Extemporaneous reading is read-
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Three Seniors Named Finalist in Merit Tests

Three seniors from ECHS, Richard Kennedy, Kenneth Lippen and Judith Meltz, have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition of 1957.

This nationwide college aptitude examination in 12,500 high schools on October 24, 1956. On January 12, 1957, the finalists took a three hour college board examination at ECHS and were screened for leadership and extra curricular activities by a selection board. This test was given by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey. Mr. T. R. Kunz is the supervisor for Eau Claire.

Scholastic Aptitude Tests and Achievement Tests will again be given on March 16. Students must register with the Educational Testing Service — 20 Nassau St. Princeton, New Jersey, three weeks in advance. Some colleges require that students take the college entrance examination and students should check to see if their specific school requires this test, or not. About April 25, a fortunate 700 will become the Merit Scholars of 1957.

The value of each scholarship varies from \$100 per year to \$2,200 per year or more. Merit Scholars choose the college they wish to attend, and the colleges chosen will grant, and the colleges chosen will grant, averaging \$2,000 per scholarship to help defray the actual cost of educating the students. Funds are provided by business and industrial corporations, professional societies, and even individuals interested in helping students of high ability.

The runners-up will each receive a certificate of merit attesting to their ability; and all colleges and universities will be notified, enabling

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'Our Town' Cast, Committees Chosen

Thornton Wilder's play "Our Town" will be presented by the Footlighters, February 12 and 13. The cast is as follows: Stage Manager, Ron Lindere; Dr. Gibbs, Paul Marcus; Joe Crowell, Joe Duerre; Howie Newsome, Fred Rusch; Mrs. Gibbs, Lynn Spicher; Mrs. Webb, Virginia Lind; George Gibbs, Roy Gilbertson; Rebecca Gibbs, Sue Anderson; Wally Webb, Bob Paulson; Emily Webb, Kay Furrer; Mr. Webb, Bill Holstein; Simon Stimson, Reed McKenzie; Constable Warren, Paul Klawiter; Sir Crowell, Glen Hanson; Sam Craig Jim Jones; and Joe Stoddard, Roger Winter.

The student director is Katy McIntyre and the prompter is Judy Franck.

"Our Town" concerns the daily living in the early 1900's. As the stage manager in the show explains, Act I concerns the daily life. Act II shows love and marriage, and Act III tells of death and the hereafter.

Season tickets will be honored. However, tickets may be purchased at the door.

The committee chairmen are: publicity and tickets, Lenny Friede; costumes, Judy Catlin; make-up, Mary Catlin and Florence Morris; business manager, Ken Lippin; ushers, Carolyn Conway; props, Sandy Meyer; lighting, John Bell; and stage manager, Al Perry.



The Sno-Queen candidates are: (left to right) Back row—Kay Anderson, Lyceum; Beret Brown, Footlighters; Ruth Horstlick, Stump; Mary Engebretson, Cheerleaders; Janice Jensen, Library Club. Middle row—Mary Campbell, Home Economics; Sharon Schultz, Pep Club; Judy Catlin, Mike and Platter; Jackie Hicke, Ushers Club; Judy Kruger, GAA. Front row—Masako Shimamura, Girl Reserves and Jayne Ahlstrom, Ski Club. Johanna Tronsdal, French Club, and LaVonne Jacobson, Student Council, are not pictured.

Friday night, the journalism staffs annual booster dance will be held in the high school gym, with dancing from 7:30-10:30, to the music of Jimmy Knight's Orchestra.

Again this year, the News and Kodak classes are sponsoring the Sno-Ball over which Jackie Frost will reign. As an added feature this year, the queen will choose her king, Jack Frost.

As is tradition, each club in school was asked to nominate a candidate for the queen who will choose her king by surprise at the dance. This year 14 clubs are participating.

Jeri Moehle, editor of the News, will act as mistress of ceremonies with Kodak editor, Diane Swanson, as her assistant. A bouquet of white roses will be presented to the queen from the remaining 13 girls who will serve as her attendants.

Johanna Tronsdal

Dark hair, creamy complexion and a ready smile for everyone, that's Johanna "Jo" Tronsdal. She was nominated by the French Club in the race for Queen of the Sno-Ball. Jo, a junior, has been very active through out her three years here at ECHS. Jo is really a language enthusiast. She took two years of Latin, belonged to the Latin Club and was secretary of that organization. This year she is taking beginning French and plans to take advanced French next year. Johanna naturally is a member of French Club. In her freshman and sophomore years she took debate and was a member of Footlighters. In her sophomore year she was elected to hold the office of business manager in this drama organization. This year Jo holds membership in Pep Club and Ski Club.

She is also a junior cheerleader and on the Kodak staff. For relaxation Johanna swims and likes to dance, football and basketball are the sports she likes best, especially when the Old Abes are playing. Beside all these activities Jo holds a parttime job at Jensen's Drug Store.

Masako Shimamura

The Girl Reserves chose a very active girl as their candidate, Masako Shimamura. Masako enjoys school very much and likes music especially well. She plays the piano and also enjoys singing in the first Choir. Reading was a favorite pastime, but she says that it is rather hard to understand our books. Mako was the editor of her school paper in Japan. She is now a member of the Girl Scouts. Among her favorite classes are sewing, typing and choir.

Sharon Schultz

The Pep Club made a wise choice in choosing peppy Sharon Schultz as their candidate. Among her favorite pastimes are: skating, dancing and swimming. Although very active in the senior class, Sharon holds a job after school. Being appreciative of popular music, Sharon finds much enjoyment in collecting records. During her high school years, Sharon has been a member of the Latin Club, Girl Reserves and Mike and Platter.

Judy Kruger

Judy Kruger, a lovely blond junior, has been chosen by the GAA to compete for the title of Jackie Frost. Judy is an excellent choice for this club as she is one of its more active members. Earlier in the school year she was selected as a junior cheerleader. She is also working as business manager on the Kodak staff, in addition to participating in Girl Reserves and Ushers Club. Judy's favorite pastime is tumbling, and she enjoys sports of all kinds.

Janice Jensen

Chosen by the Library Club was Janice Jensen, a short, dark-haired and brown-eyed senior. Showing her love for outdoor sports, Janice claims the summer to be her favorite time of the year. She especially enjoys water skiing and swimming. Even though she is an active member of her class, Janice holds a job every night after school.

Among her school activities are: French Club, and the Library Coun-

cil which she was chosen president. Janice also served as a homecoming attendant this year.

LaVonne Jacobson

LaVonne Jacobson, the pretty senior whom the Student Council hopes to see crowned as Queen Jackie Frost, is well-known for her neat appearance and pleasing personality. Besides being a member of the Student Council, Vonnice belongs to the Pep Club and Girl Reserves. Last fall she reigned over the annual Girl Reserve Prom as prom king. During her first two years in high school she was a cheerleader and as a freshman, she was in Second Choir. Last year at prom time she was busy serving on the bid committee, and in the fall of her senior year she participated on a homecoming committee. Vonnice likes to swim and ice skate, and she is also a fan of such spectator sports as football and basketball. Dancing is another of her favorite pastimes, as is sewing.

Ruth Horstlick

Pep and enthusiasm are the keys to the outstanding personality of Ruth Horstlick, candidate of Stump Club. The lovely, black-haired senior is popular with all who know her. "Fifi" puts her many abilities to work in the numerous clubs to which she belongs. She is president of cheerleaders, program chairman of Girl Reserves and a member of Student Council. In her sophomore year she was an officer of her class. Ruth has taken a language in each of her four years at ECHS; Latin the first two years, and French as a junior and senior. She was a member of Latin Club, and she belongs to French Club. Last year she was a junior homeroom chairman and served as chairman for the Prom bid committee. During the summer before her senior year, Ruth enjoyed a trip to Germany in connection with the program of the American Field Service. Last fall she had the honor of being an attendant at the Pigskin Pow-Wow. When not occupied with school

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 and extracurricular activities, Ruth likes to read and collect records.

Jackie Hicke
 Jackie Hicke, who was a new comer to Eau Claire Senior High last year, was nominated by the Ushers Club for Jackie Frost. Jackie is not only a queen in name, but she also has a wonderful personality and makes friends easily. Jackie, another junior in the contest, is secretary of the Ushers Club. She likes to sing and naturally belongs to the choir. The clubs of which she is a member are: Girl Reserves, Mike and Platter, and Horizon Club. Jackie is a sports enthusiast for she enjoys softball, bowling, swimming and tennis. Although she is sports minded, Jackie loves to sew. English and home economics are her favorite subjects here at ECHS. During the Christmas holidays of the SnoBall, Judy is a junior days Jackie held a job at Kresge's Dime Store.

Mary Engebretson
 Mary Engebretson, is a vivacious cheerleader with a blonde pony tail and sparkling green eyes. She is very active in Ski Club and Pep Club. Mary has been a member of the Student Council for the past two years. In '56 she was a homecoming candidate. When she was a junior, she belonged to the Future Nurses Club. Mary also took Latin in her freshman and sophomore years and was a member of the Latin Club the second year. Her hobbies are sewing and painting.

Since Mary is the cheerleaders candidate, you might guess that she is a sports enthusiast. Although she enjoys all sports, her favorites are bowling and swimming. Mary gets a lot of enjoyment from cheering for the varsity football and basketball games.

Judy Catlin

Judy Catlin, another dark haired beauty is the Mike and Platter choice for Jackie Frost, the Queen of the Sno-ball. Judy is a junior and has been seen in many ECHS dramatic productions some of these are: "Adam Loves Eve," "Chharleys Aunt," and "Why I am a Bachelor," a one act play that was featured in the variety show, "County Fair." Judy holds membership in Footlighters, Mike and Platter and Horizon Club. Her two favorite subjects are radio speech and dramatics. Judy is one of the more talented seamstresses at ECHS. She made the dress she will be wearing the night of the dance. Swimming and dancing are also among Judy's favorite past-times. Just recently she was elected Sweetheart of Demolay. Judy also sings in her church choir. Besides all these activities she holds a part time job at the Farmer Store.

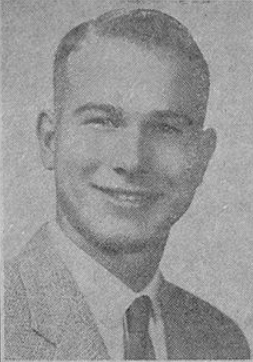
Mary Campbell

A sweet personality is one of the characteristics of Mary Campbell, pretty dark-haired nominee of the Home Economics Club. Mary participates actively in the club which has chosen her and she is one of the juniors who make up First Choir. She also belongs to Girl Reserves and 4-H Club. Mary took two years of Latin and was a member of the Latin Club. In her spare time Mary enjoys sewing, cooking and reading.

Beret Brown

A pretty black pony tail, a dark complexion, and a flashing smile are all trademarks of petite Beret Brown. She has been a Footlighters member for three years and has been chosen as their representative at the Sno-Ball. She is very active in Girl Reserves as well as French Club. Beret took Latin her first two years at ECHS, and she has been in the First Band for two years. She is also in the Ski Club. Beside all this she is very active in church activities, Girl Scouts, and Job's Daughters. Upon graduation, Beret plans on go-

Russ Helwig is Uthrotar for January



Russell Helwig

This month's Uthrotar Russell Helwig, has a variety of interests and participates in school activities. His main interests lie in agriculture and science. Russ is vice-president of three clubs pertaining to agriculture. They are FFA, Pleasant Valley 4-H Club and the Junior Dairymen's Association. He is also a member of the Eau Claire County Junior Leaders.

Russell's school schedule keeps him busy, too. Physics, chemistry, senior social studies, typing and agriculture were chosen by Russ for his last year's subjects at ECHS.

After school hours are taken up by working on his father's farm. When asked what the future holds for him, Russ commented he plans to attend River Falls State Teachers College.

Undecided on what his major will be, he said it will pertain to either agriculture or science.

Among his sports activities, Russ play softball and basketball for the Pleasant Valley 4-H Club.

ing to St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

Kay Anderson

A pleasant personality and friendly smile for everyone is the only way to describe Lyceum's nominee, senior, Kay Anderson.

Dark-haired Kay is one of the more active students in ECHS. Last year Kay was chosen to go to Badger Girl's State, and in her sophomore year, she was elected by her classmates to represent them on the Student Council. She belongs to the Ski Club and is a French Club alumni. Kay is a senior cheerleader and is vice president of the organization. In her junior year, she was chairman of the Prom decorating committee. One of Kay's main interests is music. She plays the piano and likes both popular and classical music. Kay also sings in the First Choir and holds the office of secretary-treasurer. This year she was one of the homecoming attendants at the Pigskin Pow-wow. Kay also likes to swim and rollerskate.

Jayne Ahlstrom

Petite, bright eyed Jayne Ahlstrom was the choice of the Ski Club. Jayne has been a very active member throughout her years at ECHS, as a member of Girl Reserves, Pep Club, Ski Club and Latin Club. Also Jayne serves as vice-president of her church league, secretary-treasurer of the Ski Club and Tea Chairman of Girl Reserves. She spends much of her time sewing and is very enthusiastic in all sports especially skiing, skating and swimming. Jayne also enjoys dancing very much and likes to collect popular records. This year she reigned over homecoming activities as queen.

Linda Wahlstrom Places in Contest

Linda Wahlstrom, a member of the senior class, placed among the top three hundred contestants in the Royal Portable Annual Essay Contest. Linda was notified late in December that she had been awarded a \$10 prize.

The contest was announced last fall. Linda's composition was one of those chosen from the essays written by students in Miss Pearle Landfair's classes and entered in the competition. The title of the composition was "What My Home Town Means to Me".

At the present time Linda is a member of Girl Reserves, in which she holds the position of treasurer, French Club, Footlighters, Pep Club and Girl Scouts. During her four years at ECHS she has maintained a 4.0 average. In the past she has been active in debate and National Forensic League activities and in the Future Nurses organization. Next year she hopes to attend the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Catlin to Enter Contest

Judy Catlin was chosen the candidate from Eau Claire for the Demolay Sweetheart. Judy and her mother will have an all expenses paid trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. While she is there, Judy will attend a banquet and will be introduced to other members and candidates of the Demolay. Then a vote will be taken and the Sweetheart of the Demolay will be announced at the dance, January 16 a meeting was held with some boys from Milwaukee and Judy was told when she will leave.



By Judy & Sue

This issue being the first of the year, we would like to review the fashions of last year and the popular fads carried over.

Bulky knit sweaters held the spotlight here at ECHS last year and now more styles and colors of these sweaters are being seen since Christmas.

Last year's new sweater fabric was Tycora. These sweaters are of a very fine knit and a-soft smoothness. Another color of sweater which most girls own is the black sweater. Black has slowly taken over the spotlight the past year. Of course, we can't forget the matching sweater and skirts. These are favorite outfits among the girls.

Sheaths and Tyronian dresses are the fashions in the dress line. Sheaths were worn to many of the holiday dances such as the Demolay and the Elk's dance. Tyronian dresses are worn all year round, because they are either made out of summer or winter cottons.

Football season brought out the different styles and array of colors of the fashionable carcoats. The luxurious Borgana coats have lately been seen on the fashion scene. These coats certainly reward a second look.

The fashion focus is still on shoes, rock 'n roll and flying saucer saddles and the warm snow boots. Flats and loafers are still the ever popular standbys.

Ivy League seems to be the word in fashion this year, as it was last. It is a favorite with both boys and girls.

The boys choose their neat shirts, pants, and hats of catchy strips and plaids, white blouses, skirts, and slacks are worn by the girls.

Eye for now, but don't forget to attend the Sno-Ball Dance sponsored by the NEWS and KODAK.



"We Sweep Up All the Dirt"

Spring has sprung, Fall has fell, Winter is here, and it's colder than usual! Much fun, many affairs, so, much news!

DeMolay

Robbie Hale came attired in a tuxedo with Judy Mautz. Also present were: Dave Hanson and Mary Gilbertson, Dean Hugdahl and Mary L. Johnson, Bill Lind and Suzi Linton, and Jim Stillman and Jayne Ahlstrom. Here's a unique idea for something to do after a formal, Ruth Horstiek, Gerry Gabert, Bob Stringer, Kay Anderson, and a few other couples went skating. Sounds like fun, huh?

After-dance parties were held all over the city. John Anderson was host to a very interesting one, hear tell!

Most of the time, it's our duty to find out who made it home in time to bring the morning paper with them, but here's a switch! Pete Spitt and Sharon Wingad got in at midnight. Who did he think she was? ...Cinderella??? Their fun on New Year's Eve made up for it, though!

The cheerleaders try their hardest to put on the cutest skits for the student body, but everyone has noticed that John Beebe and Karen Sletner put on a show of their own at the pep assemblies. And all of us thought he was shy!!

If you have a Saturday night date, go to the Hollywood! There's always a double feature...the regular movie and then there's Craig Carlson and Lynn Everson!

New Year's News:

The town was dead,

The NEWS staff and the entire student body and faculty expresses their sympathy to Noela Lanphere on the recent loss of her father.

The kids were quiet;
 But inside the houses,
 They were having a riot!

A perfect example of this poem was the party Ann McCutcheon threw. The kids walked and crawled out. Sandra Wensel, Annette Hanson, Barb Bair, and Jim Stillman were among those who had their friends in for the festive evening.

The trip to Wausau proved to be quite something! Betsy Draper really had fun on that trip, at the expense of Tom Platter!

EVERYONE IS ASKING:

Why the big change in Dan Roscoe? What's D. Swanson going to do for a boyfriend?

What is Gary Goebel's newest business effort?

Who's gonna catch Shelly Lewis in a corner? (What's going to happen to poor Shell)

Freshmen Frolic:

Linda Boortz didn't know the results of the recent debate tournament. The reason—she was sitting next to Barry Winrich during the result announcements.

Who does Bette Hartwell think she is anyway—a football player?

What about these freshmen gals and their free-flowing jokes on the trip to Wausau?

Tricky Triangle:

The other night Jo Cowley went to the movie with one of her ex's—Eddie Arnsdorf, and who should usher them down the aisle but—you guessed it, her latest heart throb, Len Killen!!!

Well that's about it for this time. String and Pete have to start sweeping up news for the next issue!

Bye now!

ECHS Senior, Bob Baker, is Typical Teenage Boy



We have in our midst here at Senior High a senior named Bob Baker. He is well known and equally well liked for his friendliness and his snappy sense of humor.

Bob has been a member of First Band for three years. He plays the tuba and is sectional leader. He also holds the office of Quarter Master in First Band.

Bob has had two years of art in high school. He uses unlimited imagination in the drawings of his cartoons. The one shown here is a perfect example of his ability. Many of his other cartoons and drawings have appeared in the NEWS in previous years. He has also supplied illustrations for the TV shows "Storytime" and "School Reporter."

Outside of school work, Bob's main interest is his car. Most of his spare time is spent "tinkering" around with it. He is especially interested in old cars, the older the better. Antique "Model T's" really intrigue him.

Bob has two jobs. He works at Jensen's Drug Store on week days and at the Oak Park Dairy on Saturdays.

Bob has all the characteristics of a typical teenage boy. He loves cars, lunchtime, and vacations; and he hates "Elvis", homework, and semester exams.

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Abes Cagers Continue Undefeated

Abes Swamp 2 Opponents; Keep Top Post in Loop

The Eau Claire Old Abes outscored LaCrosse Central, 76-54 at Eau Claire January 11, to rack up their sixth Big River Conference win and their ninth straight victory this season.

The Old Abes sank 27 out of 51 shots for a .529 shooting percentage compared to Central's .363.

Neal Wagner scored 28 points, Tom Partlow had 23, and Rick Carlson added 17 more. Wagner swished 8 out of 18 shots and made 10 out of 10 free throws. Partlow sank 11 of 17 tries and dunked 1 of 5 free throws. Carlson made 4 of 11 shots and swished 9 of 11 free throws. High scorers for LaCrosse were Synaground with 20 points and Heins with 18.

Central gave Eau Claire a rough time in the last quarter by using a full court press which worked by LaCrosse getting the ball three times via interceptions.

Eau Claire 'Bees' Sneak Out Victory

The Eau Claire "Bees" squeezed out a victory over a hot Wausau B-squad 63-61. The game was played at Wausau January 4.

The "Bees" were in trouble only once in the game. That time was during the second quarter when Wausau scored 23 points to our 8 to take a 36-29 lead. Coach McGinnis evidently had something to say about that during the half-time intermission, for our boys came roaring out and scored 22 points compared to Wausau's 14 in the third period to take a lead of 51-50.

High scorers for our "Bees" were "Hud" Gelein with 23 points, John Coggins with 17, and Mike Tietge with 13 points. For Wausau, Himmer dunked in 16 points, Broecker had 12, and Erdmann and Weaver tied with 9 apiece.

The "Bees" came out of the scramble with a 6-2 won-lost record.

Start of New Semester Causes Schedule Changes

Now that the end of the semester has come and gone, many changes have taken effect. The social studies classes have switched around again.

Teachers having these classes are Mr. Poquette, social problems, Mr. Berg, economics, Mr. Rist, American government, and Mr. Barnes, geography.

Also some home ec. classes have changed from cooking to sewing and vice-versa. These will not change again, while the social studies classes will change once more before the end of the year.

In the previous semester, assemblies were held during second period. Now they are being held during first period.

Elk's Dance Rated 'Tops'

The second annual Elk's Dance was held on December 29 for the sons and daughters of Elk members and their friends. Many ECHS students attended this gala affair of the Christmas holiday. White flocked trees added to the decorations of the dance hall.

Dancing was from 8:30 until 12:30 to the music of Tom O'Brien's Orchestra. The adult members of the Elk's Club served punch, mints and Christmas cookies to the dancers.

A special attraction of the dance was the progressive dance set that was held. Judy (Shorty) Fjelstad and Dennis Ecke were picked to begin the dancing. When the music ended they chose different partners. Soon, other teens began dancing and changing partners. Not only was the progressive set a success, but everyone agreed that the Elk's dance was "tops."

Eau Claire's powerful Old Abes continued their basketball domination of the Big River Conference Friday, January 4 at Wausau, when they built up a big lead and then withstood a late Lumberjack rally to win, 79-66.

Coach Gibbs five was paced by forwards Rick Carlson and Tom Partlow, who riddled the Lumberjacks defense for 49 points between them. Carlson, blasting in 19 in a sensational first half, ended up with 25, while Partlow, a defense hawk all night, dunked 12 bucket for 24 points.

The Purple victory brings them closer to the Big River's title with a 5-0 record and three loop games left to play. Wausau remains in third place with a 1-2 mark. Menominee is second with two wins and one loss, that being an 84-35 drubbing by Eau Claire.

Carlson threw in seven straight points after a bucket by Partlow to give Eau Claire a 29-19 lead early in the second quarter. Field goals by Jay Whiting and Al Cronk of the Lumberjacks cut the margin to 29-23, before the Abes spurted for nine points and a comfortable 38-23 lead. Carlson's four free throws, giving him 19 points, closed out the first half at 42-29.

Don Lee's free throw ignited a nine point Purple rally that made the score 79-64 in the final two minutes. Cronk ended the scoring with a shot in the fading seconds for Wausau.

Classmates Give TV to Student

A seventeen inch Admiral television set was given to Jerry Kortness by the senior class, a few underclassmen, the French Club and some of the faculty. Benedict Sales and Service sold the television to John Turk and Don Lee at cost. John, Don and Bob Stringer delivered the T.V. set at Christmas time. Jerry was so surprised and speechless he couldn't express his feelings. John Turk solicited the names while Don Lee collected the money. John said that when asked, no one refused to give less than a dollar.

Sandy Polinske took up a collection for an electric razor, which was also given to him as a Christmas present.

Jerry was very active in athletics and school life. He is now hospitalized at the Luther Hospital with injuries received in an automobile accident.

K. Urness, Senior Attending College

Karen Urness, a senior at ECHS, is doing something a little different this year. She is taking French at Eau Claire State Teachers College. This is the first time any student while still in high school has taken a course at the college here in Eau Claire.

She has taken beginning and advanced French at Senior High and is a French Club alumni. At the college Karen belongs to the French Club and is secretary of that group.

Karen's teacher is Mr. Mcullen. He teaches four classes of French: beginning French, intermediate French, advanced French and French humanities. Karen is in the intermediate class. There are six other students in her class. Karen's class is putting on a play called the "Barbier de Seville" in which she has a part. Besides French, Karen is also

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Duwayne

On January 19, the FFA held its annual Corn-tor-Polio drive.

About 13 pick-up trucks were furnished by the FFA members. The boys drove these trucks around the area served by the high school. After filling the trucks they unloaded the corn at a central collecting station. The corn was picked up by larger trucks supplied by local feed mills. The corn was then sold to a grain elevator and the proceeds were turned over to the Polio Foundation.

About 45 boys took part in the drive.

The planning committee for this drive consisted of Joe Schimmel, Gary Mayer, Roger Christy, and Dale Wirth.

During the regular meeting on January 25, 21 Greenhands are going to be promoted to Chapter Farmers.

The 21 boys promoted are: Bill Anderson, Donald Baker, Lyle Bien, Ronald Bollinger, Dennis Bushendorf, Jerry Cleasby, Eugene Gunderson, Edward Hempleman, Richard Jarosch, Charles Johnson, Fred King, Larry Koenig, Robert Olson, Richard Perry, Jack Powell, Bruce Shafer, David Shafer, Jeffrey Smith, John Soley, Pat Soley, and Lloyd Sorenson.

Three Chapter Farmers are applying for the Wisconsin Farmer Degree. This is the highest award that the state can give. These three boys are: Joe Schimmel, Gary Mayer, and Steve Surgay.

On the basketball program before Christmas, Eau Claire FFA lost to FallCreek 39-32, beat Augusta 48-36, and beat the FFA Alumni 31-23.

Since vacation, the FFA has played three games, but only the results of two were in on time for printing. Eau Claire lost to Chippewa 40-13 on January 11, and beat Augusta 40-18 on January 15.



By Betty

The Spikers, the champs in volleyball, played the boys intramural team on Thursday, January 10.

To make it even they played with mixed teams. The Spikers won two out of three games.

The Spikers consisted of: LaVonne Hrubesch, Donna Hrubesch, Joanne Baker, Pork Madson and Jim Stelter.

Their opponents were: Bonita Carrey, Jean Helstrom, Jeri Carlisle, Judy Johnson, John Barstad and Kenny Kool.

Miss Christensen, GAA director, has explained that the club would lower the fee for membership. The fee of twenty-five cents a semester was dropped since not enough girls participated. The fee was lowered to twenty-five cents a school year. The money will go for any social event the club would like to have.

MERIT TESTS

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) these students to be considered for thousands of other awards and prizes.

The program was established in 1955 and is designed to search the nation for those students most able to benefit from a college education.

Interested in chemistry.

When asked whether she thought French was helping her any she said, "Yes, I think it's helping me because when I'm reading and doing school work, if I come across a word I don't know, and if it's derived from French I can figure the meaning out."

Senior High Puckmen Take Loss As Wausau Overwhelms Them 7-0



Bob Stringer ices the puck as Dick Hove, Al Perry and a Wausau player watch.

Eau Claire Senior High's hockey team played host to Wausau January 12, in Eau Claire's first game. Wausau emerged victorious, 7-0.

Approximately 30 boys are out and the following "Will most likely see action," stated Mr. Marshall Barnes, hockey advisor: Dennis Jacot, Larry Reali, Gene LaRock, Darrell Madison, Leonard Svec, Dick Turk, Dave Nelson, Pat Soley, Dick Hove, John MacLoren, Jim Eddy, Bob Stringer, Gordon Blexruide, and Jim Anderson.

Gordon Blexruide and Bob Stringer were chosen co-captains by their teammates.

On January 30, the team travels to Stevens Point for a night game. February 9, Eau Claire for the second time plays Wausau and a chance to beat them on their own home rink.

Skiiing Begins for Students

Despite the lack of snow covering, the students of the Ski Club were able to start skiing January 8. There will be skiing for the students every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons after school.

The club participated in the first home tournament of the year January 19. This tournament consisted of skiers not only from Eau Claire but also from other schools in the surrounding area.

At Wausau on February 9, Eau Claire defending champs will try to defend their title when they participate in the state down hill and slalom events.

Bush Leaguer's Battle is Great

The YMCA Bush League has been underway for quite sometime now.

This league consists of mostly high school students. There are four teams in the league and each team has eight members. They are "Turk's Trotters" having John Turk, playing manager, Pork Madson, John Barstad, Larry Reali, Tom Perry, Gerry Mattson, Tom Hessler and Frank Brown. Although this team is in last place they have possibilities.

Another team is "Berman's Bombers" consisting of: Eud Berman manager, Tony Snoerenbos, Pete Gillson, Pete Speckien, Ron Johnson, Karl George, Kirk Clark, and Roy Hall. The Bombers stand in first place.

Managing and playing with the "Sheils Stars" is Tom Sheils. Other members are Tom Anderson, John Nicolai, Ron Dutter, Bob Hale, Ron Knutson, Fred Rusch, Terry Shepler and Larry Telgen. The stars are in third place.

Last but not least are "Bement's Bums" made up of "Mouse" Bement playing manager, Dennie Geertz, Mark Shea, Gary Larson, Roger Halderman, Jim Anderson, Ron Lindeke and John Putney. The Bums are now in second place.



Skiiing has once again entered the winter spotlight and many students have been out on the slopes perfecting their skiing abilities.

The ECHS Ski Club has been skiing at the Pinchurst Ski Bowl lately. Many boys and girls take part and everyone is welcome to try, whether he or she has any equipment.

The Eau Claire Flying Eagles have been practicing since middle December and have accomplished very much. They hold their practice sessions on the Mount Washington Hill at the end of Menomonie Street. A new hill was just completed last fall by the club which enables the younger boys to get off to a better start. On the bigger hill, which is along side the small one, jumps of 90 to 100 feet are possible. Among the boys who attend high school and belong to the club are: Jerry Kent, Bruce Thompson, Steve Thompson, Jack Hanson, Larry Bergh, Bob Strassman, and Mike and Tony Pope.

The Eau Claire Ski Club is preparing for its annual tournament to be held at Hendrickson Hill on February 12. High school student price is \$5.50 and the adult price is \$90. Among the boys who will be taking part are: Ernie Fried, Ken "Juice" Lahner, George Carter, and John Barstad, all students at ECHS.

The intra-mural league is at its peak now with the Bogeymen and Go-Goods in first place in the junior and senior division. The Bogeymen were handed their first loss by the Go-Good group, the score being 23-16. Pork Madson made his debut with the Bogeymen in that game and was in good shape.

The Bogeymen bumped off another team, this time being victorious over the GAA, coached by Miss Christensen. The teams were split up but it ended in a smashing victory for the Bogeymen.

The same night after no rest at all, the Bogeymen defeated John West's Junior Varsity 65-59.

Spanish Students Eat Fritos



Spanish students, S. Wensel and J. Peterson, are shown testing Spanish fried worms, while other students wait their turn.

"Would you like another worm?" asked the teacher. One might think a biology teacher had asked this question during a dissecting period. However, this was the question asked by Mr. Harry Rosene, the Spanish instructor here at ECHS, last Tuesday, January 15.

Mr. Rosene's Spanish students were given a special treat--worms. The Spanish name for them is "fritos."

The cooks in the cafeteria fixed the worms for the classes to eat. The worms were eaten with salt and ketchup, much like American French fried potatoes.

"Not too bad," were the words of Barb Gilbert.

Joe Duerre, a freshman, stated, "They sure don't taste much like French fries."

Mr. Rosene brought the worms back with him from his trip to Mexico this summer. He told his students how they were prepared in the Mexican markets.

Most of the students tried them although there were a few who just couldn't "brave it." Everyone agreed, however, that it was quite an experience.

Dr. Gamelin Speaks at PTA

The guest speaker at the recent PTA meeting, held on January 15, was Dr. F. C. Gamelin, a noted psychologist. Dr. Gamelin, who is training director of psychological research in the public schools in Austin, Minnesota, spoke on the subject, "Helping Children Discover Themselves."

The Eau Claire County Association for mental health and the Senior High PTA sponsored Dr. Gamelin's appearance.

After the lecture, there was a question period open to the audience. The lecture was open to the public.

Regular business of the PTA was discussed under the supervision of Mr. Connor T. Hansen, president of the organization.

Coffee was served in the cafeteria after the program.

Office Secretary To Leave

Mrs. William O'Brien, the former Carol Miller is leaving her job at ECHS at the end of January. She will be succeeded by Miss Karen Nelson, a student here at the high school.

Carroll has held the position of secretary in the class advisors office for the past five years. She has had various duties during this period. Among these are the filing of new students and withdrawals. Carroll also has complete charge of the school records.

The former secretary plans "to be just a plain old housewife." She will continue to live here in Eau Claire.

Karen Nelson will be working part-time as Carroll's successor. After she graduates in June, Karen will assume full responsibility of the job.

Miss N. Slaughter Weds A. Carlson

Friday, January 18, was the last day of teaching for Miss Nina Slaughter of the Commercial Department.

After 22 years of teaching shorthand and typing to the pupils at ECHS, Miss Slaughter has given up the teaching profession and was married January 19, to Mr. Arthur Carlson of Beaver Dam. She is making her permanent home in Beaver Dam.

Miss Slaughter started teaching here at ECHS in the fall of 1929 and she taught for 14 years. In 1943 she gave up her teaching job to take the job of serving her country as a WAC in the armed forces.

In 1945 she was discharged from the WACS and after a short time, enrolled at Columbia University for one year where she obtained a master's degree.

When asked if she had any thing she would like to say before she left, she commented, "I certainly have enjoyed my years of teaching here at Eau Claire High and I think that the students are very fine and well behaved."

Seniors Take Science Test

During the week of January 14 to 18 the junior and senior science classes were visited by a traveling science teacher, Frank Starr.

Mr. Starr, who is a science teacher at the Laurens, Iowa, Senior High School, is on a year's leave of absence for these lectures. This tour is sponsored by the Oak Ridge institute.

At each class Mr. Starr discussed atomic structure, radioactivity, nuclear reactors, space travel, solar energy, wave motion, mechanics, electrostatics, and opportunities in science.

Classes that he visited include: Mr. Torgerson's chemistry classes in 311, Mr. Gibb's chemistry classes in 308, Mr. Ludvigson's physics classes in 308, Mr. West's senior science classes in 310, Mr. Martin's senior science class in 309, and Mr. Thorrington's chemistry classes in 308.

Conservation Lecture Held

A conservation lecture was held January 15 and 16 for sophomore and senior classes.

The sopomores were shown and told of the artificial preservation of fish and the reasons for opened and closed seasons on wildlife.

The senior classes met at the public library. They were lectured on precautions with the use of firearms.

This group of men was commissioned by the state to instruct the youth for better conservation habits.

Seniors Take Science Test

Three high ranking science students took a \$2800 Westinghouse Science Scholarship test December 19. These students were Joan Hahn, Kenneth Lippin, and Russell Helwig, all members of the senior class. In addition to writing the test, they were required to write a thousand word theme. Joan's theme was on Blood Types and Microscopic Slide Making. Kenneth chose Chemistry in Photography as his theme. The theme written by Russell was on the Verification of Chemical Calculations by Experimentation.

The students will be notified of their standings before March. The scholarship will be awarded at graduation.

FORENSICS

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 1) ing with preparation for one-hour before giving the speech.

Interpretative reading, the speaker reads aloud with the printed page of literature before him. This type of speech may consist of stories or poems the reader thinks will be appealing to others.

A ten-minute speech which will influence belief and arouse feeling is the original oratory speech. It must be written by the student.

Non-original oratory is much the same as original oratory, the difference being the speech is written by some person other than the speaker.

Humorous and non-humorous declamations are memorized short series poems, novels, or plays. They are usually non-original.

All students, freshmen through seniors, interested in speech work, are invited to participate. "If you work" Miss Ausman says, "This is

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