

The News

Len Friede Selected To Go Overseas By A.F.S.; Embarkation Date June 21

About June 21, Len Friede, a junior, will leave for an unknown European country. Len has been selected by the New York American Field Service office to represent Memorial High in the summer program.

The choice was based on three things: his scholastic ability, his interests, and his school activities. Len will not arrive in Eau Claire again until the second or third week in September.

Speech, beside being one of Len's favorite classes, also takes a large share of his extra-curricular activities. He belongs to Footlighters, Theatians, and Mike and Platter. He is vice-president of both Footlighters and Theatians and holds the office of Sergeant at Arms in Mike and Platter.

Len was also on the varsity debate team which won the state championship this year. He has attended the State Forensic meet for two years. Last year he received an "A" rating and was entered in the extemporaneous reading category this year. As a sophomore he won the district American Legion oratorical contest and placed second in the sectional contest.

Len has also appeared in two school plays this year and in the variety show. The plays were "The Late Christopher Bean" and "Double Doors". He was Master of Ceremonies of the variety show. Two of his own other high school activities are NEWS and Prom Publicity

chairman. Len is on the track squad and also enjoys golf, tennis, swimming, and baseball. After school the drum and bugle corps also takes up some of his time.

Church work is another activity of Len's. He was vice-president of the Walther League, and is on the zoning executive board at Epiphany Lutheran Church. Len was chosen to travel all over the United States this summer as a Youth Caravaner. But he couldn't do this because he was chosen AFS representative from MHS.

Math Test Taken By MHS Students

On Saturday, April 12, in twenty-seven centers in Wisconsin, a math test sponsored by the Mathematics Association of America was taken. The Memorial High students took the test at the Wisconsin State College in Eau Claire.

The cost to take the test was \$1.00. Awards, in the form of cash, pins, books, and certificates, will be given to the students that score the highest.

Students who took the test were: Betsy Draper, John Long, Bert Ross, Jon Hillman, Kent Hagen, Jim Anderson, Brian Blakely, Jan Bliss, Bob McQuillan, Steve Olson, Paul Marcus, Pat Drabant, Jim Allen, Gary Thompson, Bill Perry, Don Sheppard, Eric Luttrell, Brad Easterson, and Rodney Britten.

Various Reasons For Absences Cited By Office

What is the difference between an unexcused absence and a skip? This question seems to be bothering quite a few students as well as parents. The following explanation was given by the Co-ordination Office.

An unexcused absence may be received by a students for several reasons.

When a student leaves for a trip with his family or a group of friends, he must first bring a note from his parents to school. This note must be signed by all his teachers. Then, and only then, will he be excused from classes. Failure to do this will result in an unexcused absence. When a student stays home to work for his parents, when no one is home to answer the phone when the school calls, or when other things such as these happen, the office has the privilege to give a student an unexcused absence.

If a person receives an unexcused absence by failing to bring a note concerning his illness this may be changed to an excused absence by bringing a slip from home.

If a student becomes ill during the school day, and must go home, this is perfectly alright with the office, AS LONG AS THE STUDENT CHECKS OUT FIRST! If he fails to check with the office, he will receive a skip.

A skip is received when a student either is not present for a homeroom period without an excuse, from any one class, or for a whole school day. The office feels that the only valid excuse for an absence from school is illness.

Excused absences are given to students who have the proper notes from home ahead of time for a trip with the family, friends, attendance at a funeral, or other valid reasons. Teachers may also excuse students for field trips, and club activities which represent the school.

Whatever the reason for absence, the student must make up all the work missed.

Elks Contest Held B. Blakely Winner

The local Constitution contest, a school-run-off, was held Wednesday, March 26. The first test was to eliminate some and pick entries for the district contest. Twenty-five students took the preliminary test. The contest was conducted by Mr. Lewis Rist.

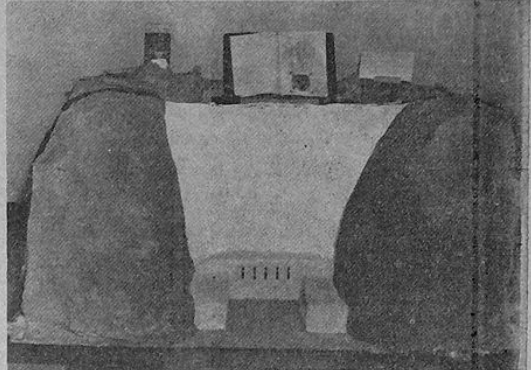
Winners in the run-off were: first place, Brian Blakely; second place, Ann MacLaughlin; third place, Jerry Welter, and fourth place, Janice Mathews. Brian received a cash award of \$10 and second place winner, Ann MacLaughlin received \$5. The Elks provided the awards.

These four students took part in the district contest which was held at 10:00 this morning at the Eau Claire Elks Lodge.

The winners of the district contest will be eligible to enter the state contest as the Lodge's entry. All expenses will be paid by the Elks Lodge for contestants. Liberal cash awards are made. The awards for district contest will be first place, \$50; second place \$35; third place \$20.

COMING EVENTS

- April 19 French Poetry Contest
- April 30 Pop Concert
- May 3 Music Festival
- May 9 Prom
- May 14 Senior Banquet



Skip Van Gorden, Gene Park and Mike Tietze constructed this scale model of Hoover Dam, which was on display at the Math Fair.

Memorial High Math Fair Held April 8 by Students

Shooting the sun, seeing a robot in action, and watching a wind tunnel were only a few of the interesting things that a student could do at the annual Math Fair, held April 8 and 9 in room 161.

This math fair is held every year to show the students some of the uses of math outside of the classroom, and to create in interest in math.

All projects for the fair were created by the students in the senior trigonometry classes. They are taught by Miss Elii Ottosen.

Taking a walk around the room to hit some of the high spots, the first thing to catch the attention was David Borton's wind tunnel. Using sawdust to show the wind currents, the various aerodynamic effects of different shaped objects can be seen.

Next to this is a model of Hoover Dam, constructed by Gene Park, Skip Van Gorden and Mike Tietze.

Further on we have Robert Brummond's model of the solar system. Using different colored balls to represent the various planets, it revolves at a speed proportional to the real thing.

Against the far wall we see some superb work in model building in the form of two bridges. The first, the Golden Gate Bridge, was built by B.H. Mousel and Roger Nelson. Behind this stands the Firth of Fourth Bridge, constructed by Erain Blakely.

Next in line is the robot. This little man, designed and built by John Anderson and Warren Johnson, moves his arms, legs and head and blinks his nose.

Beside him is a Model T engine, on display with the blockhead remov-

ed to show the pistons. This display was the work of Mike Brown and Kent Hagen.

At the end of the room is a carbon arc furnace, constructed by Brad Easterson, Mike Coffman and Kirk Clark.

A rather shocking device is next and it is an electrostatic generator. This was donated by Gene Rugojske.

In the middle of the floor we see a paper folding display, done by Mareia Duffy.

A model of the Grand Coulee Dam is also displayed. This dam is the work of Dick Tornowski, Jim Anderson and Ron Lindeke.

Also on display in the room were many themes on scientific items, slide rules, a binary changer, a model of some of De Vinci's inventions, and a device that showed the various speeds of marbles on different grades.

Students Win Typing Contests In Madison

Judy Ecke, Jim Armstrong and Judy Ward all recently won first places in a state typing contest held in Madison. The contest took place April 12. It was sponsored by the Madison Business College.

Judy Ecke won first place in the electric division and won a clock radio. Jim took first place in the advanced contest and also won a clock radio. A flash camera was Judy Ward's prize in the beginning division as first place winner.

Mr. Tremain accompanied the students on the trip. The students and teachers were guests at a banquet Saturday noon in the Hotel Lorraine.

Seven 'A' Ratings Gained At Madison

Twelve MHS speech students attended the State Forensic Tournament held in Madison, April 12. These students qualified by receiving "A's" at the district Forensic Tournament held at Wisconsin State College. Out of the twelve entries, seven won A rating.

The seven A ratings were won by: Jim Jones—extemporaneous speaking, Reed Mackenzie—extemporaneous speaking, Jerry Welter—learned oratory, Len Friede—extemporaneous reading, and Suzi Hulbert—original oratory.

Those receiving B ratings were: Kay Schreiber—interpretive reading, Barb Benson—humorous declamation and play reading, LeRoy Gilbertson, Virginia Lind and Marlys Lee.

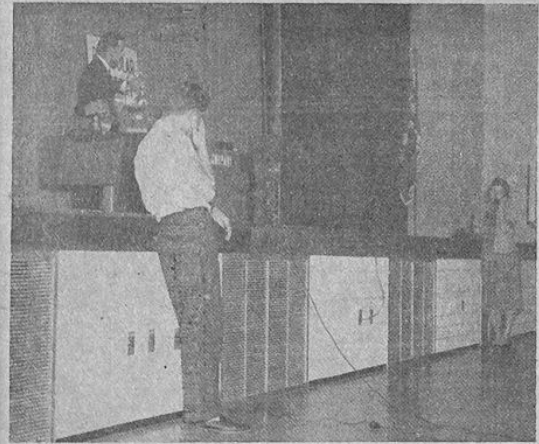
Pupils Attend State Art Meet

Six art students under the supervision of Mr. Ed Fish, are attending a three day meet at the University of Wisconsin.

The students representing MHS are Tom Graham, Donna McCrue, Shirley Smith and Jeanne McClusky.

They will attend many panel discussions where they will exchange ideas of art and art education. Many well known artists in their fields will be present to show movies and lecture.

Eau Claire is one of the schools which has been asked to exhibit some of the students individual work. Their work will be on display in the sculpture room of the Art Education Building. They will also have a chance to visit the campus of the University of Wisconsin.



Bob Anderson and Sandy Kaufman are demonstrating the new telephones that were shown by Mr. Ed Shaffer in the assembly program.

Representative of Telephone Company Presents Assembly to MHS Students

An assembly of an intellectual nature was held in the auditorium on Tuesday, April 8, following the homeroom period. The main speaker for the day was Mr. Ed Schaefer of the Wisconsin Bell Telephone Company.

Mr. Schaefer spoke to the entire student body concerning the rapid pace of progress at Bell Telephone and applied this progress to our every day lives.

The transistor, an important part of radios, hearing aids, and a new type of "seeing", the bell solar battery used in our missile programs, and the silicon diode rectifier were fully discussed through the use of a film

strip, Mr. Schaefer's lecture, and experiments of various nature.

Sandy Kaufmann and John Anderson took part in the assembly. They carried on a telephone conversation during which Mr. Schaefer proved to the audience that any form of light could be converted into electricity.

The assembly was opened by the playing of the bugle by Burt Larson, the flag procession by Ron Lindeke and Kathy Kappers, and the traditional singing of America, the Beautiful, led by Carolyn Neperud.

Judy Catlin of the Radio Speech Department introduced the guest speaker for the assembly.

It's Time to Better Yourself; Improve Your Hall Conduct

How is your hall conduct? Is your locker dirty, and do you close it noisily and disturb others? Are YOU the person who throws paper on the floor to clutter up the halls? Are YOU the hall wanderer? Are YOU the person who throws Your gum in the drinking fountain after you are through chewing it?

If your answers to these questions are yes, it's time for you to change and better your hall conduct.

Lockers seem to be the biggest problem. Some people think it is smart to have the dirtiest locker in school and are always bragging about how dirty their locker is. A dirty locker just shows how messy and unclean the person who owns the locker is.

The person who loudly slams lockers during, after and before school is showing discourtesy for other students and the teachers. He disturbs classes and makes a general nuisance of himself.

The paper found in the halls, many times, is there because of dirty lockers. The lockers are stuffed full of papers and one might happen to fall out while opening and closing the lockers. No one picks it up so it lays there until the janitor puts it in his wastebasket. Another way paper gets on the floor is when a person no longer wants something he discards it not in a wastebasket but on the floor. Is this what high school students are taught to do at home?

Another problem at MHS is the person we shall call a "hall wanderer". He is constantly running about the halls. Maybe he has a legitimate excuse to get out of class, but after he is out he goes from door to door waving at his friends and disturbing classes, in general. Loitering around the halls and wasting time is all he has to do in school.

The fourth problem is the unsanitary person who, after chewing his gum, no longer wants it, spits it into the drinking fountains. This person seems to think that drinking fountains aren't for drinking. They are places to discard your gum, apple cores, and what have you! The person who does this not only shows disrespect for others, but is very unclean himself.

If you are guilty of promoting any of these hall problems, it's time to change your hall conduct. You will not only be helping others, but you will be helping yourself to become a better person.

Fair Weather, Ample Room Give Gym Students Chance To Work Outdoors

Being outside is a common desire of all high school students. Realizing this the physical education department has set up a new program with many sports that can be played out of doors.

All students will be able to go outside during gym period because there is adequate space for all the games to be played. This could not be done in previous year because the old school did not have the space that is now available.

Many students around MHS do not realize just how many different activities are offered by the physical education department.

Miss Ulrich and Miss Buxton, who are advisors for the girls, have a very interesting schedule line-up for all girls' gym classes as soon as the weather permits.

The senior girls are now trying their hand at bowling. Later the girls will participate in archery, golf, field-hockey and track.

The activities the boys will take part in are archery, softball, baseball, and track. The boy's gym classes are under the direction of Mr. Bussell and Mr. Gallagher.

Because there are so many different things for the students around MHS to look forward to, it would be very worthwhile for each and every student to take an interest in his gym classes.

Physical fitness is very important to the growing teenager of today. Every student would benefit if he took advantage of our physical education program and really did his best to better his skill and coordination.

'Lefty' Gelein Selected As Uthrotar For April



Harold "Hud" Gelein

One of the most outstanding sports personalities in our school has been chosen as the Uthrotar for April. This senior is Harold "Hud" Gelein.

Athletics is nothing new to "Lefty" as he is called by his buddies. His father, a former basketball coach for ECHS, is now Director of Recreation for the city of Eau Claire.

"Lefty" has played baseball for many years and has been a member of the high school varsity team throughout his high school career. During his junior year he led the team to the state championship in an excellent year during which he pitched three no-hitters. There is only one little black mark in "Lefty's" pitching record during high school: one loss, with twenty wins.

This popular senior boy made quite a name for himself in basketball this season, becoming the seventh highest scorer, for one season, in Abe history with 446 points to his credit. "Hud" had a 17.2 point average per game in the season just past. Harold has played basketball for four years in high school, and has always had fine potential and has shown good leadership in all sports.

"Lefty" is an active church goer and attends the Lake Street Methodist Church. Here at school he is a member of the Stump Club.

Students are well aware of "Lefty's" talent as far as art is concerned. He has won many prizes with his talent, and many of his works have been displayed here at school. With sports and art being high on his list of favorites, "Hud" is looking forward to college.

"Hud" is still undecided about which school he will attend. He is choosing between the University of Wisconsin and the University of Minnesota at the present time. Whichever school he does choose, "Lefty" plans on majoring in art.

Cons't Contest



Spring is in the air. Or at least it seems that way as the warmer weather has descended upon us.

A perfect supplement to any girl's wardrobe is the sissy shirt-waist blouse which can be worn any season of the year. It can be worn with the spring straight skirts. One of the more outstanding sissy skirt-waist blouses is Diane Hemmingstad's mint green blouse.

New spring slacks and the ever popular Burmuda shorts are arriving in great numbers and in attractive plaids. Bonnie Bolier sports a pair of yellow and black denim slacks which she accents with a black sweater.

The new pastel bucket purses are a bright breath of spring but the larger purses are coming back into style.

The new pastel colored sheaths arriving in the downtown stores are a sure sign of spring. Some can be worn for school wear but they are more appropriate for dressy occasions.

Chemise is the latest word in fashions. Coats, dresses, and blouses have all taken on the new look. They are not only popular with the teenagers but also a few of the teachers at MHS have been wearing them.

The chemise has really taken over the Spring fashions with the girls at MHS, since coming back from Easter vacation. Mary Catlin fashions an avocado green chemise styled with a Peter Pan white collar and full sack back.

Rhene Reseld made her own sack dress. It is a floral print on a white background. The dress has a boat neck with short sleeves.

Barb Thompson sports a red and white polka dot dress which she made.

Mary Lueck's chemise is a robins egg blue background with small white figures. It has a full back and a long waisted belt with a bow in the back.

Call it a shift, call it a sack—a chemise by any other name is still the newest line you'll find.

Less skirt, more leg seems to be the latest. Skirts have been steadily inching up and now, skirts are prettiest 15 to 17 inches from the floor; which ever is most becoming to you.

Bye now— Sue and Joyce

School Keeps Janitors Busy

In order to give credit where it is due, two reporters stopped in the boiler room next to the cafeteria to get some information about the maintenance of our school building.

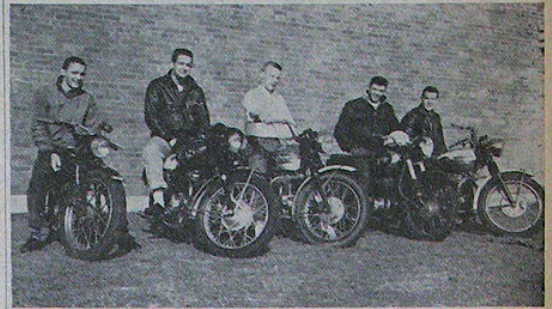
Mr. Hotchkiss, the head custodian and Mr. Paulson, next in line, have definite, varied duties between 7:00 and 4:00. Both of these men take care of maintenance work. Mr. Paulson is in charge of the halls, lunch room, and pool. Mr. Hotchkiss orders the needed supplies, keeps the furnaces in order, helps with the pool, and lines up work for the six sweepers that come in from 3:00 to 11:30.

Twice a year this building is thoroughly cleaned and painted and major repairs are made. It takes approximately three days to clean the pool and filter. It takes 80 gallons of wax for the floor, 30 gallons of seal for wood floors, 40 gallons of oil seal for halls. For washing the windows, 2 cases of ammonia are used not to mention all the supplies for the 17 washrooms.

In addition to this there are 50 miles of lights that have to be cleaned. Put end to end, all the light tubes would reach from here to Chetek.

With all this the custodians feel that this school is easier to clean than the other one.

Motorcycling Becoming A Popular Sport In E. C.



The boys that belong to the newly formed motorcycle club are pictured from left to right on their motorcycles: Bob Fein, Tom DeMars, Jim Jensen, Tom Beebe and Jim Henderson.

"What's making all that noise outside?" or "Have you had a ride on it yet?" These have been only a few of the various comments made about motorcycles by the students of MHS.

Now that spring, together with warm weather, has arrived many boys have begun to take an unusual interest in cycling as a new sport. Although in the past years it hasn't been proven to be a popular sport, it is now beginning to take its place among the activities of boys in high school.

There is a motor cycle club in Eau Claire called "The Eau Claire Northern Knights." This club meets every other Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. in their club house which is located near the Ideal Speedway. The meetings are run by the officers of the club.

Original Titles For Silly Topics

In the life of every student, there comes a time when he is assigned a theme on "any subject you want." After a few years of this, when one has exhausted his repertoire of hobbies, ambitions and embarrassing moments, he is faced with the dreadful dilemma of not waiting to write on any subject, whatsoever! As a guide to those poor souls, the News offers the following list of topics designed especially for the students wishing to be original.

1. How to shrink and prepare a human head.
2. Life and Love in Lower Slobbovia.
3. Observance of "National Eat More Powdered Pearl" week.
4. Is heroin really harmful for the pre-school child?
5. Comparative figures on comparative figures.

I hope we've been of some help and please let us know what your grade is.

History Is Offered In Varied Forms

"I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience. I know of no way of judging the future but by the past," were the immortal words of Patrick Henry.

It is on this premise that all history courses are based. Here at Memorial High School, students are offered a copious variety of selective history courses. In their sophomore year, the students have world history offered to them. Mr. M. Barnes, Mr. Rist, Mr. Eilert Berg, and Mr. Kunz teach this phase of history. The course is open to all levels, but a majority of the students are sophomores. The course includes the study of ancient and prehistoric people, the famous world powers, the European Conquest, and other important events in the history of the world.

Perhaps one of the most interesting courses is offered to the juniors. The course is called American History. Mapmaking, lectures, discussion, book reading, and oral reports are all a part of this fascinating (Continued on page 4, Col. 4)



Hi there, gang! How's everything in your life today? If it's not good now, wait until you hear what's coming.

Jackie Hicke gave up all her past pleasures now that her ex-ex came home on leave. However, the day after Larry left, she decided she just couldn't stick to it! What a nice car that Bill Nelson has!

You senior fellows are really in a rut, aren't you? Isn't there one nice senior girl around here?

VOICES FROM VACATION: Parties were "the thing" during our recent vacation. Carolyn Gabriesses, Carolyn Neperud, Sue Olson Sherry DeMars, Karen Thorson, Darlene Madson, Sharon Steinmetz, and many others had get-togethers... and that's what most of these parties turn out to be.

At Carolyn Neperud's party, Sue Anderson and Warren Johnson could be found no where, until someone yelled down the basement stairs, and Warren popped up with this unique answer, "We're down here petting... the puppy!"

Sherry DeMars has the habit of running down country roads screaming that no one likes her, if she only knew the truth!

"Shorty" Fjelstad is getting all set for her wrestling match with an unknown opponent. Seems Jim Madson set up the match!

A senior girl's hopes of tearing up a rather personal note to one of her friends was to no avail. Although it was ripped up, a certain clever senior boy put it back together and brought it up to the NEWS room. And here is the dope! Girl X still likes that junior boy and still knocks over music stands when she finds him looking at her during band. She hopes he doesn't know she still likes him though... that's why we didn't dare mention any names. That mean senior boy who broke a prom date was also discussed in full, as well as his best friend, who seemed to be the main topic in the note!

Both girls decided white floor (Continued on page 4, Col. 2)

Baseball Tryouts Held; Team Picked

A record number of baseball candidates reported for opening practice in spite of the lack of openings left on the squad. Only ten of the eighty would-be-team members have letters from last year's State Champion team.

The candidates are grouped as follows: thirteen pitchers, seven catchers, twenty-three infielders, and thirty-seven outfielders.

Usually the Abes would just be starting outdoor drills, but with the unusually good weather, they have already had several full-scale scrimmages.

Mr. Berg planned to start an all-veteran line-up against Colfax, April 15. The line-up was: Hud Gelein, Kirk Clark, Frank Kopp, and Al Perry in the infield; Vern Schellfeffer, Dick Tornowski, and Gary Hoepner in the outfield; and Tom Garnett at the back-stop position. The starting pitcher had not been announced when this story was written.

Larry Bergh, when not pitching, will see action in the outfield. Gene Park will take over at first when Gelein is on the mound and Jim VanGorden or John Schaaf will fill the third base post when Kopp pitches.

Three returning lettermen have a total of seven years experience. Hud Gelein leads with three years and Frank Kopp and Al Perry each have been on the team for two years.

The Old Abes are especially hoping to make their way into the state tournament this year because the tourney will be held here in Eau Claire, June 6 and 7.

OLD ABE SCHEDULE

- April 15 Colfax (H)
- April 18 Stanley (A)
- April 21 Tomah (A)
- April 22 Winona (H)
- April 24 LaCrosse Central (A)
- April 28 Augusta (A)

- April 29 LaCrosse Logan (A)
- April 30 New Richmond (H)
- May 1 Wausau (H)
- May 6 LaCrosse Logan (H)
- May 7 Augusta (H)
- May 16 Colfax (A)
- May 15 LaCrosse Central (H)
- May 24 Chaska, Minnesota (H)

In the district tournament at Eau Claire, Stanley and Thorp are pitted against each other May 19, at 9:00 a.m. At 7:30 a.m. Cadott and Eau Claire do battle, also on the nineteenth. Owen-Withee takes on the winner of the Stanley-Thorp contest at 2:30 in the afternoon. The winner of that game takes the field against the winner of the Cadott-Eau Claire game on May 21.

The District Playoffs are going to be held May 26 and 27. The Sectionals will be held May 28-31 and the State Tournament will be held at Eau Claire on June 6 and 7.

36 Finish Life Saving Program, Gain Badges



Miss Buxton demonstrates with Marina Turner the proper way to save a person with the chin carry as Karen Waterman looks on.

Since January 16, there has been a lot of activity taking place in the MHS swimming pool. The reason for all this activity is because there has been a course in senior life-saving given by Miss Pauline Buxton and Miss Connie Ulrich.

There is always a great need for extra water safety and better knowledge of life saving. This course was given for this reason. Many students

have taken junior life-saving and advanced in the skill by taking the advanced course.

Both boys and girls took the life-saving course. Miss Ulrich taught the boys while Miss Buxton supervised the girls.

Sixteen hours of work is required in order to pass this course. Because of many complications such as vacations, it has taken longer to complete the course than was anticipated. But now that all the hours have been put in and all tests have been passed there are quite a few proud people around the halls of MHS. It took a lot of hard work and a lot of ambition to complete the course, but never the less many did make it to the end.

The girls who earned their life-saving badges were Barb Anderson, Karen Thompson, Sherry Shaw, Marina Turner, Carole Bliss, Myrna Bradson, Clarrisa Waters, Barb Harmon, Marcia Olson, Laurel Olson, Lynne Anderson, Joan Clarke, Virginia Lippin, Anita Olson, Lonnie Peterson, Sandy Rush, Karen Waterman, Nancy Olson, Prudy Larson, and Betty Patrow.

The boys who fully completed the course are as follows: John Baker, Dave Borton, Tom Bernicke, Jan Bliss, Chuck Dutter, Ed Jensen, Dan Hotchkiss, Jerry Miller, Dave Pierson, John Putney, Mark Hanson, and Kent Hagen.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA HIGHLIGHTS

By Wayne

Yesterday, April 17, the FFA had a very interesting meeting. At the meeting was James Whelan, local game warden. He gave a talk on fishing and game regulations, and also told of some of his experiences in that work.

April 30 is the end of the FFA's merit system year. An award night will be held at which the awards will be given. So far there are about 3 members who will receive awards for outstanding achievement this year.

This year Eau Claire sent one team to the state Judging Contest, held April 14 at Madison. The team going was on farm management, and consisted of Joe Schimml, Gary Mayer, and Steve Surguy.

This contest is sponsored by the FFA and the College of Agriculture at Madison.

Going back a bit, on March 20 a JDA convention was held at Bloomer. Fellows who attended this convention from Eau Claire were Roland Johnson, Gerald Kinderman, David Day, Robert Rieckmann, Joe Schimml, Steve Surguy, and Lyle Bien.

At the meeting Joe received state director and district Junior Dairyman awards, and Lyle took part in an extemporaneous speaking contest.



by Sandy

The badminton tournament is well underway with many girls participating. When the tournament first started there were approximately 55 girls playing the game. The tournament eliminations will continue until the winners are named.

All girls who are interested in additional swimming will be happy to hear that Miss Ulrich has started a synchronized swimming course, which will be held after school. Just when this will begin is not as yet definite.

Synchronized swimming is a ballet in water, which is very beautiful when done in the correct manner. This takes a lot of practice and handwork on the part of the girls and the instructor. Miss Ulrich hopes that as much use as possible will be made of the pool. All girls interested in synchronized swimming are urged to take part.

Don't forget that recreational swimming is still being held on Tuesday nights. Remember, with summer almost here a little swimming practice may be a real safety factor. Make your swimming or boating recreation safe by taking advantage of the chance to learn and practice water safety.

News In Brief

M. Tietge Takes USAF Test
Mike Tietge, a senior, has taken examinations for the Air Force Academy in Denver, Colorado. He took the tests from March-31 to April 2 in Illinois. He will be notified May 1 if he has been accepted.

Students Win Typing Awards
Jim Armstrong took first place in the March Advanced Typing Contest with a total of 78.1. Second place with 55.5 words was won by Judy Eeke. With 53.2 net words Judy Catlin took third place.

In the Beginning Typing Contest Katy Paulson was the first place winner with 41 net words. She was followed by Ruth Rossow, who took second place with 33 net words. Beverly Starks placed third in the contest with 31 net words.

Parking Spaces Marked Off
The parking lots at MHS have a new addition. There have been white lines painted to mark off separate parking spaces. These lines are there for a purpose and students are asked to please observe them when parking their cars. Also yellow lines have been painted for all buses.

In the near future numbers will be painted in each stall, and each student driving a car to school will be assigned a stall.

Tennis, Golf and Track Open '58' Spring Season

GOLF

This year the Old Abe golf team is going into action with plenty of experience behind them and a bright outlook ahead.

The first four men from last year's team are back again, bringing with them the experience of state competition.

This year's team, coached by Harry Gibbs, includes Tom Grip, Marty Grip, Peter Speckien, Jack Wendt, Paul Blom, Mike House, Dave Sorrel, George Long, Eric Wakk, Reed MacKenzie and Bert Ross.

The schedule for this year stands as thus:

Team	Date
LaCrosse Logan	April 23
Menomonie, Wis.	April 30
Wausau	May 1
La Crosse Central	May 5
La Crosse Logan	May 6
La Crosse Central	May 12
Menomonie	May 21

The Conference meet will be held May 14 at Wausau. The Sectional will be held May 23 and 24 at New Richmond, and the State meet will be held at Green Lake May 30 and 31.

TENNIS

Tennis, under the direction of Mr. O'Brien, has gotten into full swing at MHS. Seventeen boys reported for the first meeting held the Friday before Easter vacation.

Eight of those will vie among themselves for the four or five man team which will play the matches. They are Brad Easterson, Mike Coffman, Erik Midelfort, Wayne Boehlke, Bryon Schwark, John Speckien, John Glenz, and Gary Hanson. Any other boy may challenge these eight, however, and if victorious, will take their opponents' places.

The racketeers have a nine game schedule ahead of them including a

Cooks Prepare 750 Meals Daily

Arriving at school at 7:00, preparing dinner by 11:30 and cleaning up the cafeteria by 3:00 in the daily routine of the eight cooks at Memorial High.

The head cook is Olga Ringlien. Working under her are: Flossie Knutson, Nora Anderson, Ida Scholz, Burnice Hauger, Marie Stanwick, Irene Mattison, and cashier, Martha Nicolet.

The menus are planned a month ahead by the superintendent at Junior High. The meals are not only cooked for Memorial High, but also Arlington School. They serve on the average of 750 a day.

The head cook, Olga Ringlien, has been cooking for schools for 11 years. When she was asked if she liked cooking she said, "Yes, I enjoy being around kids, and the students of Memorial High are well behaved in the cafeteria."

Big Rivers Conference meet to be played at Wausau.

OLD ABE SCHEDULE

- April 22 Winona (H)
- April 23 LaCrosse Logan (A)
- April 28 Chippewa Falls (A)
- May 1 Wausau (H)
- May 5 LaCrosse Central (A)
- May 6 LaCrosse Logan (H)
- May 8 Chippewa Falls (H)
- May 12 LaCrosse Central (H)
- May 14 Big Rivers Conference Meet at Wausau

TRACK

In his first year as track coach, Mike McGinnis has a big job ahead in trying to steer the Old Abes toward the top in state track and field events. Mr. McGinnis will be assisted by John Haig.

There are 66 candidates eagerly drilling for the track team. When asked about outlook for this season Mr. McGinnis remarked, "We expect a lot from our four letter men, but we are putting a great deal of emphasis on underclassmen this year."

A squad of five traveled to Wisconsin Rapids April 5th and placed fourth in a six team meet despite the fact they did not run in the relays. Letterman Skip Van Gordon soared 10 feet 11 and one quarter inches.

Bruce McDonald finished second in the mile. Bruce Neuman was third in the 40 yard dash; Mike Teigte was third in the shot put; and Bob Steidman wound up fifth in the high jump.

Gym Classes Take Fitness Examination

Have you heard anyone complaining about sore backs, aching muscles, or stiff joints. If you have, it has probably been from one of the gym students who have been participating in the physical fitness tests now being given to the girls as well as the boys gym classes.

The test is part of a nation wide program for better physical development among the young people of the country.

A few examples of what can be found in the test are; pull-ups of which the sophomores are expected to do nine, the juniors ten, and the seniors are expected to do twelve. Sit-ups; sophomores should be able to do 122, the juniors and seniors 138. In the endurance swim; the sophomores are expected to swim 20 lengths, juniors 35, and the seniors are to swim 70. Other parts of the test include the following; 100 yard dash, jump and reach, parallel bar dip, skin the cat, standing broad jump, medicine ball put, rope climb and push-ups.

In almost every instance Memorial students measured at least average and in many cases the students equaled the desirable rating in the tests.

Five New Classes Added To Next Year's Program

Next year several new classes will be added to the curriculum, along with some classes that have been offered in previous years but dropped.

One of the new classes is personal typing. This class is for those people who want to learn how to type for their own use and who do not plan to make a vocation out of typing. It is a 1/2 credit course and will be held on off gym days.

Another new class is the advanced literature and composition course. This is for students who are interested in writing and who have good grades in English. It is not a substitute for the regular English class.

A music appreciation course will be offered again if enough students sign up for it. This also holds true for a Latin 3 class.

Tumbling will also be offered as a class again. It will be held sixth period, with the beginning tumblers coming two days a week and the advanced tumblers coming three days a week. Swimming will also be a part of this six weeks in the fall and spring of the year.

Scholarship Awarded To Terry Bresina

MHS senior, Terry Bresina, has won a \$1000 scholarship for the college of his choice. This award was given by the Central Co-operatives. To win this he wrote an essay of 2000 words on the subject, "How Co-operatives Can Strengthen American Democracy."

In his essay he told of the current economic problems of farmers and laborers. He showed how these problems could be solved by government intervention or by personal means. Terry also told how government intervention had been disastrous in the past and how co-operatives enable people to take care of themselves so government isn't necessary.

The two top essays in each sales district in Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, and North Dakota were selected for the finals. Finalists from these areas traveled to Duluth on March 25-26 where their essays were read.

The judges were college teachers and professors of speech and English.

Jr.-Sr. Girls Perform Service To Students

The girls who work in the school store do all the students a big favor. Without it what would be do for special things for a class?

Besides waiting on customers the girls deposit money, clean shelves, and close up at the end of the day. For doing this they receive a KODAK at the end of the year.

Girls working in the store this year are: Sharon Markle, Arlette Borens, Nancy Heintz, Delores Hays, Nancy Julson, Sharon Hawke, Sandy Wickham, Rosemary Sosnouski, Diane Matson, Judy Huer, Mary Haas, Carolyn Books, and Clara Harper.

Any other girl with a free period and who would like to work in the store may sign up with Miss Forsjord, advisor of the group.

The NEWS staff and the entire student body and faculty express their sympathy to Thomas and Robert Phelps on the recent loss of their father.

Junior Class Preparing For Junior-Senior Prom

Have you seen such signs as the Little Blue Man says, "Come to the prom," or "Get in your bomb and come to the prom." These signs are the result of the many evenings of hard work by the members of the junior class.

At the beginning of this year the juniors were told by their class advisor, Mrs. Coffman, that if the whole junior class worked together they could produce the best prom that has ever been held. It looks as though the juniors have taken the advice and have gone all out to advertise their prom.

If the posters are any indication of the cleverness of the junior class work, the prom should prove to be a great success and a lot of fun for all who attend.

Just a reminder to all the fellows to be sure and ask that special girl to the Junior-Senior Prom to be held May 9, at Fournier's Ballroom.

PARTY LINE

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length formals are for the birds, and around and around they went. One thing for sure, there are two very two-faced people in this school!

Now that summer is almost here again it seems that Jane Atkinson is all excited about Tom DeMars... wonder if it's that motorcycle or just what?????

Curt Hutchens' devotion has switched from one church to the other, and now he's strictly a West Side man!

JOKE OF THE WEEK:

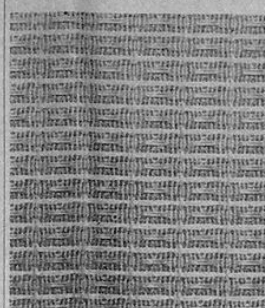
Judy's theme song: "Chicago".
FROM ONE NUT TO ANOTHER:
How are the nut cups coming, Donna????

There is so much dirt we could pass on to you, but in the process we might pass on too!

News will probably be centered around the seniors during the next issue with all the activities which will be going on, but never, fear, we'll never forget about YOU!

Happy Springtime!
Stringer
and
Peter

What is it?



What is it? This is an item seen everyday by everyone in Memorial High School. The only catch is it is a closeup of the item and only a part of it. The person who guesses what this is and turns his answer in to room 205 first will receive two theater tickets. So hurry and get your entries in, all you have to do is guess what this is. NEWS students and photography students are not eligible to enter this contest.

"When I go to bed at night, I always see yellow lights and green lights in front of my eyes."

"Have you seen a psychiatrist?"
"No, only yellow lights and green lights."

"If I am studying when you come in, wake me up."

HISTORY DEPARTMENT

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course. Mr. John Haig, Mr. A.J. Johnson, Mrs. Beebe, Mr. Hokanson, and Mr. Poquette are the teachers who guide the juniors on their paths of learning.

By the time a student is a senior here at MHS, a new variety is offered to them. Since the faculty feels that many students will either marry or not complete their education, they thus, have inaugurated the American Problems course. This consists of four nine weeks periods in which economics, sociology, geography, and civics are taught. The courses consist of lectures, discussion, film strips, memorization of certain articles, and tests! Each student is required to complete a notebook on the material studied in class.

Civic Art Center Opens; Mr. E. Fish President

The Civic Art Association of Eau Claire opened the first Civic Art Center in Eau Claire, Wednesday, April 9. Mr. Edward Fish, MHS art instructor, is president of the Art Association.

Over 150 persons attended the initial showing of 20 art award paintings. The center will be open from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm and on Sundays from 1 pm to 5 pm. Everyone is urged to visit the Art Center which is at the Public Library. It should be very rewarding.

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