

# The News

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Above are the students with high honors: 1st row, left to right: Pat Larson, Kathy Kappers, Mary Olsen, Marcia Duffy, Janice Matthews. 2nd row, left to right: Carol Barney, Paul Klawiter, Fred Rusch, Kent Hagen, Brian Blakely, Ann MacLaughlin.

Lower left are the students who have earned honors in the graduating class this year, L-R, they are: Jim Kinney, Karen Gabus, and Bert Ross.



## Mike And Platter Awards Are Given

More pins and letters have been awarded recently by Mr. Krammes to the members of the Mike and Platter Club who have earned them. To receive a pin you must have twenty points and to receive a letter, sixty points. These points were earned by participating in the various programs of the radio-speech department.

The Mike and Platter members who have earned pins are: Jeanne Anderson, Karen Gabus, Mary Lee Helstrom, Faye Henning, Prudy Larson, John Putney, Ruth Reid, and Jane Walker.

Letters have been awarded to Barb Benson, Judy Catlin, Karen Gabus, Gloria Simonson, and Jack Taves. Before the Class Day Program on May 9, four senior boys were awarded certificates. They were: George Brown, 201 points; Ron Lindeke, 162½ points; Terry Shepler, 140 points; and Roger Winter, 125 points.

The Mike and Platter Club also held a picnic on Monday, May 19, at the Rod and Gun Club. The picnic was \$5.00 per person, and three girls were selected to collect the money. They were: Bonnie Buck, Barb Benson, and Diane Hemmingsstad.

## MHS Senior Band Takes Annual Trip

The High School Senior Band left on their annual trip Tuesday morning, May 20. This year they went to Minneapolis, Minnesota. On the way they stopped at Humbolt High School in St. Paul and gave a concert. Then they went on to Minneapolis where they stayed over night at the Andrews Hotel. Wednesday they presented a concert at South High School in Minneapolis. They returned to Eau Claire Wednesday night. The trip was paid for by the High School Band and Orchestra Association.

## Traditional Rings Upheld by Juniors

The junior class is once more in a fury of excitement. The time has come to select a class ring. Will it be the traditional school class ring or something altogether different?

The juniors have decided to carry on with the traditional class ring. The only difference being the initials EC and the number 59 will appear on the side instead of the doors of the school.

Every three years the contract of the company is up for renewal, the companies of this area then have the chance to bid against each other to see which will get the contract for the next three years.

This year the contract went to a new company, Mrs. Coffman stated, "The only thing we are trying to do is to get the best class ring at reasonable cost to the junior."

The juniors were able to decide for about a week, then the rings were moved to Lasker's where the juniors will order them.

## Class of 485 To Graduate On May 28

The graduating class of 1958 will hold its commencement exercises May 28. The class has a total of 485 students.

A short invocation given by Mr. Garnet will start the exercise and is to be followed by speeches given by three honor students. They are: Kent Hagen, Bert Ross and Marcia Duffy.

Scholastic, departmental, and National Honor Society Awards will be presented to the students by David Barnes, "Cy" Berg, John Thorngate, Orville Torgerson, Ron Lindeke, and T. R. Kunz.

Mr. David Barnes will present the class to Homer DeLong, Superintendent of Schools. After telling the audience that the students have completed their graduation credits, he in turn presents the class to Stephen Andrews, who is president of the Board of Education. Mr. Andrews will then hand out the diplomas.

## Honor Students Selected for '58

This year instead of naming the top students valedictorians and salutatorians, these graduates are said to be graduating with high honors (straight A's) and honors (only one B).

The straight A students have been announced for the senior class of 1958. There are four boys and seven girls. The boys are: Brian Blakely, Kent Hagen, Paul Klawiter, Fred Rusch. The girls who have a 4.0 average in their studies are: Carol Barney, Marcia Duffy, Kathryn Kappers, Pat Larson, Ann MacLaughlin, Janice Mathews, and Mary Olsen.

The second highest award a student can receive is that of graduating with honors. This year there are only three students in the senior class that Karen Gabus, Jim Kinney, and Bert will receive this award. They are: Ross.

## Queen of May To be Crowned

Friday, May 30, the second annual May Ball will be held at Fournier's Ballroom. Dancing will be from 8:30 to 11:30 to the music of the Rhythmaires.

The candidates for May Queen were chosen at a dance held April 25, by a committee made up of employee's at Fournier's.

The May Queen Candidates from Memorial High are: Judy McElwaine, Kathy Turney, Barb Gilbert, Priscilla Gram, Bert Brown, Barb Anderson, Mary Lee Helstrom, Sandy Parisi, and Marlepe Winger. The Regis candidates are Lorraine Benson, Sue White and Judy O'Driscoll.

The queen will be chosen by the votes of the people attending dances being held on May 16 and 23. They also voted at a dance held May 2. The queen will be announced at the May Ball and will also choose a king.

The king and queen will be crowned by last year's King, Fred Turk and last year's Queen, Karen Zutter.

A dinner will be given at the Hotel Eau Claire for the Royal Pair and their attendants before the dance. This dinner will be given by the manager of the hotel.

They will be driven to the dinner and the dance in a 1958 automobile and will have a police escort to Fournier's for the coronation.



The "Black Hornets" entertain the students in the class day program. This talented group is made up of "Chips" Flodin, Bob McQuillan, Chuck Kuhnert, and Bruce Neuman.

## Class Day Program Given; Juniors, Seniors Participate

A two hour class day program was held in the auditorium Friday, May 9. The program was highlighted by the reading of the class will, history and prophecy and the presentation of many awards.

The program started with the presentation of awards. Mr. Krammes presented radio-speech awards to Ron Lindeke, Terry Shepler, Rog Winter and George Brown. These awards were for outstanding achievement during their high school years.

Brad Easterson and Kathy Kappers were presented the good citizenship awards sponsored by the American Legion and the DAR.

The Bausch-Lomb Science Award was given to Bert Ross. National Honor Society certificates were also presented.

Music was provided for the program by Paul Marcus and his Pied Pipers, Bert Larson played a solo part.

Everyone got a big kick of what the kids on the class will, history and porphecy had "dug" up.

The history, which took the seniors back several years, revived many memories of the past. The history of the first two years of school was narrated by Brad Easterson and Ron

Lindeke. The junior and senior years were narrated by Bruce McDonald and Mike Coffman.

The class will was narrated by Myrna Bradison and included sketches from Macbeth, Tale of Two Cities and Hamlet presented by Shirley Thorson, Sue Anderson, Mary Lucille Johnson, Bert Brown Sandy Vincent and Tom Partlow.

The prophecy, which predicted just what would happen in the future, was narrated by Judy Peterson and Dick Hove. The theme of prophecy was "Bridges of the Future".

The highlight of the program was when four senior boys, quite surprisingly, showed that they really had a lot of talent. Garbed in black leather jackets, white helmets, and motorcycle boots the "Black Hornets", as they called themselves, made quite an impression when they pantomimed three rock and roll records. These talented boys were: Bruce Neuman, Chuck Kuhnert, Bob McQuillan and "Chips" Flodin.

A Rock and Roll dance was presented by Judy Mc Elwaine and Chuck Dutter.

After the program the seniors were excused for the remainder of the day and the juniors returned to classes.

## Junior Wins Essay; To Represent C.A.P.

Dave Hulett, a junior here at Memorial High, has been informed by Major General Walter A. Agee, Commander of the Civil Air Patrol, of his selection to represent the United States this summer in the International Cadet Exchange Program. He has been chosen to visit West Germany, and will have headquarters at Frankfurt. He will leave the United States on July 6.

Dave's hobby has been airplanes since his grade school days. Last summer he entered an essay contest sponsored by the Wisconsin Wing Civil Air Patrol on "Why I Would Like to Fly." His essay won him a flying scholarship. With this scholarship he has been receiving lessons at the local airport and has made his own solo flight.

## News In Brief

### Armstrong Wins Contest

Jim Armstrong, a senior, won first place in a typing contest held May 3 at Milwaukee.

He averaged 75.3 strokes to win first place. The second place winner had a net of 59 strokes.

Jim won a portable typewriter in a leather carrying case.

Another senior, Barb Benson, won an honorable mention in the advanced shorthand contest.

### Lawyers Speak to Seniors

In commemoration of National Lawyers Day, Friday, May 2, city attorneys spoke to senior students in the little theatre. Mr. Thomas Barland spoke to the morning social studies classes, while Mr. William Adler gave his talk to the afternoon classes.

Their speeches told a little about the history of law and gave a review of a few of the books necessary to lawyers. Questions were asked at the end of each period.

### Final Exams Taken May 23-26

Final tests are scheduled for May 23 and May 26.

Because of the location of the school, classes will be held just like a regular day. Instead of having one two hour exam, we will have two one hour exams.

### Board Purchases Maple Trees

The Eau Claire Board of Education recently made a purchase of 42 hard maple trees at a total cost of \$336. The trees, which were planted in front of Arlington Heights Grade School and Memorial High School and also in the MHS courtyard, are primarily for ornamentation of the grounds and, after growing a bit, for shade.

### Annual Debate Banquet Held

The annual debate banquet was held Thursday, May 15, at the Hotel Eau Claire. The banquet was planned by the juniors.

Those attending who were in advanced debate are: Terry Bresina, Len Friede, John Hibbard, Glenn Holman, Dave Johnson, Jim Jones, Kathy Kappers, Dave Kneer, Eric Luttrell, Reed MacKenzie, Ann McCutcheon, Erik Midelfart, Diane Page, Allen Patraz, Tom Phelps, Jerry Welter, and Jack Powell.

In attendance from the beginning debate class were: Louie Arnold, Mike Berkman, Barb DeLine, Jim Prinsel, Barb Halverson, June Kopplin, Mike Milward, Ron Pynn, Sharrie Shaw, Walter Tibbitts, Gary Thompson, and Joan Yates.

After the banquet, Mr. Robinson gave a short speech. Short skits were presented by the juniors and the seniors.

# A Passing Thought

Four years have passed since all of us entered high school to begin the first lap of our school instruction. Of course, most of us will go to college, but for many this is the last lap.

These four years have held many interesting and carefree good times along with schooling. The time we tied with Wausau for the Big Rivers Conference in basketball, our victory at state in '55, our school dances, pep assemblies, the copies of the NEWS and the arrival of the KODAK, the parties, football and basketball games, the leather jackets, the Elvis and Jimmy Dean era, the cluttered park across from the old school, the homecoming set-to, the cheers led by the cheerleaders, the pop concerts, our senior class play, the variety shows, the contests, the debate tournaments, and many other activities all stand out in our memories. We have studied hard, played and skipped school, and for the most part, led a typical high school life.

Now when the time comes for us to leave we realize how much we'll miss our "good old times". For many of us this means not just leaving our books behind, but also possibly never seeing some of our friends again. In the years that are upon us, we will scatter all over the nation, and many of us will not return. There will be new friends to meet, new places to go, and new customs and traditions to become acquainted with. Of course we'll take this in our stride because it's just another part of our growing up.

We won't forget the wonderful memories our high school days have provided us with and how wonderful everything seems now.

We can't forget how, at these last few assemblies, we have choked up, knowing the end was near.

We have about three days left of school. After four years have gone so fast these few days will disappear in no time. When they are gone, one book will have closed for us and another will begin. But we'll always have our books to keep with all their memories to look back on. Some of these memories will be funny, some will be sad, but they'll all be interesting because they will consist of our high school days.

We hope that each and every one of us in closing our high school books has nothing but the best to look back on and something very lovely to look forward to. . . . GRADUATION.

## Students Have Improved; No Marred Desks Evident

Three school days from now and it will be all over with. Of course, you know that I mean the 1957-58 school year.

This past year, being the first in this new building, has seen many changes. Most noticeable or perhaps we should say the least noticeable of these changes is the change that has taken place in you, the student body. From a pack of chair scratching, table carving and initial carving wreckers, you have come through this year a group of well-mannered students.

If you care to turn your dulled and exam filled mind back to the last year in the old building you may recall some of the dire warnings of the teachers about your desk carving habits. Pessimistic prophecies were given on how long the furniture would last here. Well, you showed them. You showed them that students can and do respect a new building and the equipment in it.

Throughout the year, in all of my classes, I cannot recall hearing a teacher reprimand some student for writing on his desk. Except for some odd-ball characters that are in every crowd, I bet that you have had the same experiences.

Except for a minor epidemic of gum sticking on lockers and students hanging on door check or closers as you might call them, nothing very serious has happened this year. This does not include the flicking of the light switches and the jumping up and unhooking of lights.

As you might guess though, it's more than likely those few odd-balls in the crowd who are doing these things.

On behalf of the teachers, custodians and taxpayers of the city, we want to thank you, the students who know how to act. We want to thank you for the fine job that you have done this year. P.S. Have fun with those exams.

## Robt. Hokanson Receives Recognition As the Advisor of the NEWS Staff

This being the last issue of the year the NEWS staff would like to introduce to the students the person behind the paper who advises and teaches the newspaper techniques, Mr. Robert Hokanson.

When Mr. Hokanson first joined the faculty in 1955 he was asked to also be the school's newspaper advisor. He took over the job with little experience in this field and has now been a helpful guide for NEWS students for three years.

Before teaching at Senior High he taught at Moose Lake, Minn., grades seven, ten and eleven.

At college, history was his major with English and biology as minors. He hopes some day to be able to teach history exclusively. He received his Bachelor of Science degree at the State College in Superior, Wisconsin. He also attended the University of Wisconsin and obtained his Master of Science degree.

At MHS Mr. Hokanson teaches three classes of United States history, one class of junior English and two classes of NEWS.

Recently he took a trip to the Southwest. When asked what he thought of the Southwestern States, all we could get him to answer was "Very interesting". During the summer vacation period that is approaching Mr. Hokanson plans on going to Yellowstone National Park. "There," he stated, "I will sell souvenirs and



Mr. Robert Hokanson

trinkets to tourists. I think it should be very interesting and relaxing." Golfing and listening to hi-fi records consume the little time he has for relaxing and recreation. Although he insists he can't golf very well it's rumored he isn't as bad as he tries to tell people. As for his choice of songs to listen to he likes anything from classical to popular music. But, please exclude certain rock and roll idols.

While he enjoys working with the high school students, Mr. Hokanson's ultimate aim is to be a college professor. "There's so much more schooling left and so much to learn from high school teaching yet, I'm afraid it will be a few years before I can teach college students," was his reply when asked when he thought he would attain his goal.



Ho-Hum. . . These sure are lazy days! With just two more days of school to go our minds aren't working too hard, thank goodness we don't have to scrape for scoop!

Sandra Wensel probably stole the spotlight of senior skip day with her antics. "Let's Pack It to Brackett" is her theme song now! Jan Lord was not to be outdone that day either.

Although he didn't go to the prom, Rus Dunham entertained the largest amount of kids. Things weren't too quiet around that cemetery were they, Russ?

### QUESTION MAN:

What was Mary Erickson doing in the woods with John Francey that day? That party sure moved around in a fast hurry.

Why doesn't Gerry Van Dyke join a circus as a snake eating woman. . . she has plenty of practice we hear.

Jo Tronsdal just made it out of the cemetery before her "Daddy" came a checking!

It was interesting to see all the funny acting couples at the prom (Rog Casper and Ruth Bergeson, Jack Emerson and Nancy Marx, Gary Stafne, Jo Tronsdal and Larry Liddell, and many more).

Some of the cocktail parties held before the dance were given by Priscilla Gram, Karen Thorson, Janet Stocks, Kay Furrer, and Judy Peterson.

Many couples took advantage of the offer from a local photo studio to take pictures, for an everlasting memory of this wonderful night.

Carole Bliss, Bob Luchsing, Sharon Markle and Len Freide, and one party stayed out all night and were among the first to go swimming this season.

Prudy Larson entertained at her cottage after the prom, and from what we hear, no one got too much sleep.

Steve Stolp served breakfast to his group the following morning at his cottage, and several couples went on picnics, either in groups or ALONE.

Before we give you the very latest and most up to date gossip, we'd like to reminisce a bit. In the past two years, we've had a lot of fun, and quite a few bad times when things didn't seem to be going too well, but all in all we're glad that we had the opportunity to give you the gossip of the school. We hope that we're all still friends, and that there are no hard feelings!

### NOW, BACK TO THE GOSSIP!

This year has been really something, hasn't it? We've decided, along with the help from the school (Continued on Page 6, Col. 3)

## News, Kodak Select Editors

KODAK and NEWS advisors recently chose editors for the yearbook and newspaper staffs. The editors names were announced at the annual NEWS-KODAK Banquet.

Wayne Sargay was chosen by Mr. Hokanson to be NEWS editor for the 58-59 school year. He has been on the staff for two years. For the past year he has done various writeups in sports and has written editorials and feature stories. Wayne will be a senior next year and in his third year of NEWS.

Anita Olson, junior, was chosen by Mr. O'Brien to serve as KODAK editor. Anita was chosen for her outstanding leadership in the past year as a member of the staff. This year was the first year she worked on the KODAK. Her job included laying out pages on the school board, principals and other people in the offices, dances, and the prom. Anita will also be a senior.

Other editors will be chosen for NEWS Staff next year. Other KODAK editors will also be chosen in September.



Karen Gabus



Barbara Thompson

## Seniors, K. Gabus, B. Thompson, Take Special Interest in Journalism

Although these girls differ in many respects, they have one thing in common. They are both editors in the journalism department.

Two familiar girls around the halls of MHS, in activities, are senior Karen Gabus and Barb Thompson.

Being editor of the News is of course Karen's first and foremost concern. She has many other tasks as a member of the staff other than helping others. She has worked on the News staff for two years. Another important position for Karen is that of being a Student Council member.

School activities such as homecoming committee, Girl Reserves, assistant director have played an important part in Karen's life. This year she was publicity chairman for the girl reserves. She has also served as a homeroom chairman.

Sewing and swimming rank high in Karen's interests chart but she also enjoys being a cheerleader, and secretary of the organization.

She hardly ever misses a school activity as one may already have guessed but she still has kept up her studies all through high school. Karen has gone through all four years with only one "B" final. She was also recently elected to the National Honor Society.

Teaching is Karen's main aim now and to receive her teacher's training she will attend Fresno state in Fresno, California.

Editor of the KODAK this year was Barb Thompson, a senior. Barb did a very fine job on the KODAK, as we all know and her work was appreciated very much by her helpers as well as her advisor, Mr. O'Brien. Barb is

## Science Classes Finish Projects

The senior science classes of Mr. West and Mr. Gibbs are now in the last stages of completing their projects of drawing house plans.

During the course of the year senior science classes study a unit of house construction. To enable the students to get a better understanding of the unit, each student is required to complete a scrapbook.

This scrap book consists of pictures cut out of magazines to either show the right or wrong way to construct a house and the best place to build it. These pictures also illustrate the types of landscaping best suited for particular houses and locale. Each student is required to draw up floor plans of the house they would like to build some day. This is done on ink type graph paper. All electrical outlets, drainage and minute details of the house are expected to be shown on these plans.

All sides of the house must be drawn on an elevation scale with shrubbery and other foliage indicated.

Each room of the house must be drawn on an individual sheet of paper, showing all details of the room. Each room is drawn to scale. Furniture, type of floor and color schemes are made to suit the house.



The Junior-Senior Prom, which was held May 9, was the grand social event of the year. Girls adorned in pastel nets, gay cottons, and light wispy chiffons drifted along in rhythm to sweet music. A host of different styles were displayed.

The queen, Kathy Smith, led the Grand March with a white net formal. Three bodice was fashioned with white sequins and small pearls. The skirt featured an underskirt made up of ruffles. She donned white heels and accessories. Her pink flowers added the final touch and matched her crown of pink.

Vice-queen, Judy Stringer, arrived in a red taffeta formal with a scalloped skirt. Her dress was set off with white shoes and white pearl earrings. She also wore white gloves.

A white nylon formal with mint green and pale orange figures in it was the choice of Shirley Smith. It had a waltz length skirt and was strapless. She wore mint green earrings and white strap heels.

Sue Johnson fashioned a white, formal of ruffled net trim with red velvet. She wore red accessories and the final touch was a red velvet cumberbund.

Another startling beauty was sophomore, Sandy Celein. Sandy arrived in an aqua chiffon formal designed with a harem skirt, and strapless bodice. She wore strap heels which were pink and aqua.

A strapless formal of blue crystal and white and gold trim was chosen by Anita Olson. Blue heels and blue accessories completed her outfit.

Donna Walker was a spring delight in her white lace formal which was set off with a pink underskirt. It was styled with a large pink accessories.

Karen Zutter fashioned a ballerina length formal of blue and (Continued on Page 6, Col. 5)



# Class History

During all the excitement and confusion of the Class Day Program the first two years of the class history were lost. Due to this we are only printing the last two years.

The fall of 1956 started a string of events for this years seniors that is to end with graduation on May 28.

Yes, it was the beginning of two years of social life and a little bit of studying as well as the start of many romances which ended in-----.

The class officers were elected during September and consisted of Brad Easterson as president, Jan Bliss, Judy Stringer, Linda Harsh and Kay Bernicke.

The football team, which ended the season with a 7-1 record, was led by Mike Tietge, Brad Easterson, Bob McQuillan and Al Perry.

One of the couples seen leaving many after game dances was Bette Hartwell and Jerome Hazen. It was also the year Dan Roscoe and Jackie Paape started leaving basketball games early; seems as if they wanted to get to the 9:00 show.

There were 12 junior cheerleaders chosen but of the 12 only 10 remained after this year's basketball season.

Two years after acting out the love scene from the movie "From Here to Eternity" with Leslie Wieberg, Jo Tronsdal was elected snow-ball queen and chose Benny Olson as her escort.

The night of April 26 was the most thrilling night of the year for

many couples. The theme of our prom was "An Enchanted Evening." It was reignied over by Brad Easterson and Toni Bennett as well as our vice president Jan Bliss with Beret Brown. Many of the couples went on early morning picnics but in the excitement the food was forgotten.

And who can forget the fight over class rings. But it is all forgotten now as many of the senior girls have traded them in for wedding rings.

As final tests drew nearer everyone switched their attention to the coming summer and all forgot that in three months they would finally be seniors.

But there was one honor left for ECHS. The baseball team, led by coach Cy Berg, brought Eau Claire the State Baseball Championship.

In our last year of high school we were greeted by a new school. But it didn't take Al Perry and his girl too long to find a nice small corner. The trouble is, Miss Landfair found it at the same time.

The class officers were Ron Lindeke, Barb Benson, Barb Thompson, Mary Lucille Johnson, and Beret Brown.

Ah yes! And who can forget the homecoming celebration. The bonfire went off wonderful with only one small incident. But Bob McQuillan took care of that visitor from Regis with his nice little hammer. The celebration by the Junior High Kids

downtown afterwards led to the end of a nice homecoming weekend.

We were fortunate enough to have three of the state's top football players in our midst this year. Al Perry and Mike Tietge gained all state honors and our captain, Brad Easterson, led the squad like a veteran.

Tom Partlow and Dick Tornowski co-captained our basketball squad to Madison where Tom and Hud Gelein were named all state. Hud later was nominated for the All-American High School Basketball Team.

Mr. West became the proud possessor of a Christmas present bestowed upon him by senior science classes. We won't mention what it was.

Mr. McGinnis almost resigned his "B" squad coaching post during a practice at the "Y"; how about that Dick?

Ron Lindeke's house has been very crowded on a certain night of the week lately.

Perhaps the enjoyable experience for the members of the gym classes was the donning of their new tank suits. Quite a few were stolen, but we think they will be the fad at Half Moon this summer.

We hear that Mr. Gibs is having some trouble getting his experiments to come out right in chemistry class. Oh, well, we got to Madison.

Well, that's all for the history program but we're sure that there will be more history made tonight.



LeRoy Gilbertson, Jerry Welter, Judy Catlin, and Sue Anderson talk things over with Charlie's aunt (Chips Flodin) during dress rehearsal of "Charlie's Aunt" in our sophomore year.



Our junior cheerleaders leading a rouser during a pep assembly.



Badger Boy and Girl State Candidates . . . 1957



Pig-Skin Pow-Wow Homecoming Royalty . . . 1957

# Class Will

Kirk Clark leaves his little "Cookie" to anyone that's hungry. (P. S. Mr. Kunz approves of this one.)

Bradley Gay "Rodney" Easterson, well known composer, leaves Elli Otteson.

Jim Fallon invests all he has in stocks, and wills his business techniques to Melvin Coggins.

Jim Hardy leaves his pudd to Tom Garnett, who doesn't want it because he has one.

Jerry Welter and Chips Flodin will their Red Wing explorations to all the Columbuses in the junior class, namely Steve Stolp.

Bonnie Buck leaves her ability to hang on boys to Anita Olson.

Burt Larson wills his sour notes to Paul Marcus, in hopes that he will be able to play better.

Ron "the changeable" Lindeke leaves Kay Furer in hopes he will be able to get Beret.

Bob MacQuillan wills his ballpen hammer to Butch Zelle, who has been doing a lot of pounding.

Dick Tornowski, who's mood is to shoot before you dribble, leaves his basketball ability to Tom Steiter.

Skip VanGorden and Mike Tietge will their dam, cars, and hot rods to Vern Schellfeffer and John Schaff.

Al Perry, back from a recent pow-wow, leaves his silver cream orders to Luchsinger.

Jackie Hickie and Sandy Brown, and everyone else who likes pizzas, leaves their Samy Pizzas to Trudy Moehele and Karen Zutter. By the way girls, how did it taste.

The senior class leaves their well worn path to Stillwater to all the juniors who may take it next year.

Sherry DeMars leaves her old home to Mary Lueck. Seems she has established permanent residence at Lake Hallie.

Charles Amundson leaves the brownie points he earned in Ell's class to Eugene Engelbreton.

"Shorty" Fjelstad wills that no junior will do what she did a year ago tonight.

Jim Anderson leaves his drumsticks to Bill Anderson, who likes to beat too, meaning also.

John Anderson and Warren Johnson leave their robot to Tryg Ager to tinker around with.

LeRoy Gilbertson leaves his acting ability to any junior boy who wants to put on a good act.

Rodney Bathke and Ronnie Robertson leave their thrilling experiences together to Steve "Lugger" Dennis and Len Freide.

Larry Berg leaves his love letters from Colorado to Wayne "Cricket" Boehlke who is tired of writing love letters in the sand.

Tom Bernicke leaves.....

Cal Blaisdell leaves his grappling talents to Bill Perry.

Manly Brian Blakely leaves his 1 1/2 footer frame to Roger L. Little, who needs a little.

Jim Bortel leaves his romances to Wesley LaMuska. Keep up the good work.

Doug Bye hates to roll out of bed at 4:00 o'clock in the morning, and leaves his sunrise walk to Bob Tarbox.

Roger Casper and Ramon Johnson leave their behind the scene episodes to whoever wants them.

Bill Holstein wills all his out of town prospects to Roderick LaRock, who is just another romeo.

Dick Hove leaves Julie Wilson to Joe McClaren, Jerry Dale, Jim Rude, and his brother, Beast.

Jerome Hazen and Dick Jorgenson will their bridge parties to Jim Van Gordon and Wayne Boehlke, otherwise known as "Cricket".

Jack Taves and Mike Coffman leave their cows, horses, moose and bears to Bunny Bread and David Hoffe.

Toby Meyers wills his shoe shining ability to Jimmy Dick Allen.

Gary Stafne and Marilyn Risberg will the quiet corners in the halls to Betsy Draper and Bob Steidman.

Sue Anderson leaves all her love problems to Jane Fjelstad.

Judy Carroll leaves her knowledge and experience...to Betty Menecl. Practice makes perfect.

Carolyn Neperud wills her idea about the grass is greener on the other side of the fence to Joni Brown.

Jan Bliss wills his wish to find the perfect female to Jim Aeby. Good luck in the future Jan, but remember everyone has a let down.

Linda Harsh wills her ability of burning a candle at both ends to Joyce Jensen.

Marina Turner wills her horse to another horse.

Marlys Lee's candy coated tongue is willed to Karen Waterman.

Mike Tietge, Skip Van Gordon and Dick Hove will their notes from Miss King to three junior boys who will be in her class next year.

Kathy Kappers and Jim Jones will their escapades on debates topics to Ann McCutcheon and Len Friede.

Mary Lucille Johnson gladly wills her pleasant job with Miss Ottersson

to some fortunate Junior Girl Reserve member.

Beret Brown wills her embroidery work and steel armor to Carole Bliss. Kay Bernicke wills her ability to get rings from Chippewa boys to Janet Targart.

Judy Peterson wills her ability to keep two boys on a string at the same time to Sue Engebretson.

Sandy Hessler leaves .... thankfully.

Chuck Davey leaves his careful, considerate driving habits to Tom German.

Arnold Ableiding leaves his dirty dish tray to Dale Potts, who asked for it.

# Athletic Banquet Held in Cafeteria

Monday, May 19, there was a banquet held for all athletes. The banquet was in the high school cafeteria at 6:15. It was sponsored by the Booster Club, which is made up of parents and active citizens.

Lou Cassera, of WBIZ was the Master of Cermonies. Mr. Shaw, end coach at the University of Wisconsin, was the guest speaker. All participants in football, basketball, wrestling, baseball, track, tennis, golf, cross country, gymnastics and hockey were invited.

Coaches of all teams introduced their teams for the coming season.

# Three Seniors Win Scholarship Awards

Scholarships have been awarded to three seniors here at Memorial High. Jim Jones has been awarded two \$500 scholarships. One was given by the P.T.A. and based on a theme, "Why I Want To Be A Teacher", along with his high school accomplishments.

The other scholarship was presented to him by the Consolidated Freight Ways. This scholarship was on his scholastic ability, along with teachers recommendations and his participation in school activities.

Steve Surguy and Vera Hasart both were awarded scholarships of \$100 a piece by the Eau Claire Womens Club. Steve's was given to him for general field of scholastic achievement and Vera's given to her for elementary education.



King and Queen of the Prom Niki, our foreign student





# Abes Win String Broken; Record Now Stands at 12-2

The Eau Claire Old Abes had their win string stopped when they traveled to LaCrosse Logan, but increased their won-lost margin by downing Wausau, Augusta (twice), LaCrosse Central, and New Richmond.

## Logan Victorious Over Abes

Eau Claire Old Abe pitching ace Hud Gelein lost control in the eighth inning to walk in the winning run in LaCrosse Logan's 7-6 victory. The loss was Eau Claire's first in over 25 games.

Gelein struck out 15, walked 13, and gave up six hits in his second loss since starting on his pitching career for the Abes. At the plate, he tripled, doubled, and singled in four trips. Larry Bergh powdered Hauser's offerings for a triple and a single in four trips.

Eau Claire scored two runs in the second, third, and fifth innings. LaCrosse pushed across one run in the second, two in the third, one in the fourth, two more in the seventh, and one in the eighth.

Hauser, victorious for the third time in three starts for the Rangers, walked only five, gave up nine hits, and struck out ten. Hauser also allowed four Abes stolen bases. The Abes were Dick Tornowski, Frank Kopp, Gene Park, and Larry Bergh.

## Bergh Pitches 9-4 Victory

Eau Claire scored one run in the first, and four in both the second and fifth innings to hand New Richmond a 9-4 loss here April 30. The win was Larry Bergh's second of the season, as he struck out thirteen and gave up seven walks and five hits.

Gene Park, Abe's lead-off hitter, opened the game with a triple. He scored minutes later on an error by Tiger third basemen Eckstrom. In the second inning, Kirk Clark, Gene Park, Dick Tornowski, and Frank Kopp singled and Chuck Johnson walked two more to push across four more runs.

Hud-Gelein, Al Perry, Gene Park, Tom Garnett, and Larry Bergh bunched singles to score four more runs. Gelein's hit came with the bases loaded.

## Eau Claire Shuts Out Beavers

Leland Hoyt, Eau Claire pitcher, joined the ranks of Abe hurlers who have furlled shutouts as he blanked the Augusta Beavers, 2-0, May 7.

Eau Claire was held to only four hits, but managed to group two hits and a single in the second frame for one run, and one hit, two walks, and an infield out for their second run. Gary Hoepner, besides his single in the second, blasted a triple to account for two of the Abes' four hits. Hud Gelein and Tom Garnett were the others who hit safely. Perry, Gelein, and Hoepner each had one stolen base.

## Gelein Strikes Out 17 for Win

Hud Gelein struck out 17 batters in his attempt for a no-hitter this year, but saw it ruined when Elmer Allen, Wausau pitcher, grounded a pitch through the mound and beat the throw by inches in the Abes' 2-0 victory May 1.

Wausau batters could find only four other pitches to hit into fair territory, but none of those were safeties. All went into the infield. In four of the seven frames, Lumberjacks didn't even get to try for first as Gelein whiffed them.

Al Perry started the Abes on their road to victory when he singled. Tornowski flied deep into center, but Gelein boosted the ball into left-center, for a double, scoring Perry. After another out, Hoepner hit the ball against the power pole in left field to score Gelein.

## Rally Fails; Rangers Win, 4-3

Eau Claire's rally attempt fell flat after one run had been scored to allow LaCrosse Logan their second victory of the year over the Abes, 4-3.

Eau Claire took the lead in the second inning when they scored one run on a single, two errors, and a walk. They added another tally in the third on two walks, interference from the catcher, and an error.

Logan teed off in the fourth inning when Dahl singled, Perry dropped Larson's pop fly, and Nelson hit safely. Gilbertson then lapped a slow roller down the third base line, but the throw was low, allowing two runs across. Houser's single scored the fourth run.

# Abe Trackmen Gain 49 Points To Win May 6

The Eau Claire Old Abes track squad continued its winning ways by winning the Eau Claire Invitational Track Meet on Tuesday, May 6.

The Old Abes had a total of 49 points followed by Osseo with 28 1/2 points. Third was won by Chippewa Falls. Others competing were: Durand, Cornell, Rice Lake, Barron, Black River Falls, Baldwin, Menomonie, Altoona, River Falls, Winton, Mondovi, Glenwood, Chetek, and Ladysmith.

The Abes trackmen showed well in almost every event of the day.

Pacing the way for the Abes in the 100 yard dash was Steve Meyer who placed third.

In the 220, Mike Tietje placed second. Bruce "Dibber" McDonald once more led the 880 and gave the Abes a first.

120 yard high hurdles proved to be a weak spot for the Abes, however, Ed Benedict placed 5th.

In the 180 low hurdles, John Coggins took 3rd.

Tietje also won second in the shot put for Eau Claire, and Tom Partlow won fifth. In the high jump Bob Steidtmann placed first and Skip Van Gordon placed second.

In the broad jump John Coggins took fourth. In the pole vault Skip Van Gordon soared 10'6" to win first.

The Eau Claire Medley Relay team managed to place fourth and the Abe sprint relay team followed suit.

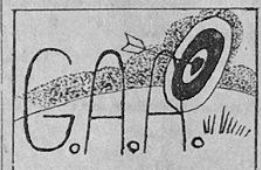
## Abes Defeated at LaCrosse

The Eau Claire Old Abes trackmen traveled to LaCrosse on Saturday, May 10, and finished in sixth place.

La Crosse Central won the track meet with a total of 66 1/2 points.

Skip Van Gordon and John Coggins were the only Old Abes to place in the individual events. Skip copped third in the pole vault and fourth in the high jump. Coggins finished third in the broad jump.

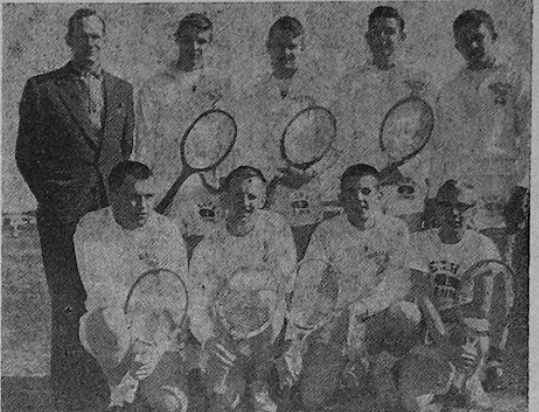
Other Eau Claire points were gained in the 880-yard relay by finishing fifth; fourth in the low hurdle shuttle; fourth in the two mile relay; and fifth in the mile relay.



by Sandy  
The winning softball team has just been announced. The girls that made up the winning team are: Linda Sprague, Sue Storie, Barb Pendergast, Betty Pendergast, Janet Pendergast, Pat Severson, Doris Hanson, Marilyn Severson and Karen Cates. Congratulations to all these girls.

The Swim Club has decided on a name for their club. Neptune Daughters is the name they have chosen. They have also worked on the organization of the club. They are ready to ratify the constitution and charter the members. The club will be divided into two groups, beginners, and advanced. The girls that began this year will be in the advanced division and those starting next year will be in the beginners.

Now that vacation practically upon us our thoughts will turn from books and school work to more invigorating things such as swimming, softball tennis, horseback riding and many more other activities that will require skill, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Because these things were taught to students all through the school year in gym classes it should be easy to work along well with your friends. It is very important to be a good sport in whatever you may try to do and that is one good reason why this course in physical education and GAA is open to all girls.



The tennis team this year is: left to right: Brad Easterson, Gary Hanson, Mike Coffman, John Speckien. The 2nd row is: left to right: Mr. O'Brien, coach, Wayne Boehlke, Eric Middelfort, Bryan Schwark, John Glenz.

# 'Hud' Gelein Named Valuable Athlete

As Athlete of the Year, we of the NEWS sports staff have selected "Hud" Gelein, who in our eyes depicts the perfect picture of an athlete.

Hud, throughout his four years of partaking in sports, has compiled quite a record for himself. Although not used very much in baseball his freshman year, Hud was able to pick up some valuable information from the coaches and from watching other pitchers during his sophomore term, he put this accumulated knowledge to work to help the Abes through an undefeated season, only to watch them go down to defeat in the last game of the state tournament play.

As a junior, Hud used his agility and co-ordination to work his way onto the Young Abes and to become the top scorer among the "B" squad players.

Also during his third year at high school, he hurled three no-hitters and literally threw the Abes baseball team into and through the WAAA state tournaments which they won easily.

This year, Hud took over the vacated center spot and jumped and shot his way to a nomination to the East-West All-State Basketball Team. He showed his steadiness on the floor under pressure in the state tournament games by scoring 75 points. His senior year brought heart-break also, as a fired-up La Crosse Logan team blotted his previously unblemished pitching record, 7-6.

# Track Fundamentals Studied in Girls' Gym

The junior and senior girls' physical education classes have been working on the fundamentals of girls' track for the past weeks. They have been doing such things as the 75 and 100 yard dash, jumping the hurdles, broad jump, softball throw, hop, skip and jump and relays.

Last Thursday and Friday the gym classes had a regular track relay with all the girls participating. Each girl could choose two events she thought she could do her best in and her time and total number of yards was marked down.

This year is the first year that track has been presented to the girls and if the happening of the past weeks prove to be successful by all the girls and the teachers, it will continue to be a scheduled sport of the girls physical education program.

# Juniors Enter in Field Event

Four junior girls recently took a trip to La Crosse Wisconsin where they participated in a field day program. These girls were: Carole Bliss, Virginia Lippin, Sandy Rusch and Sharon Shaw.

This field trip was organized in order to show girls who were interested in physical education some of the things that can be taught to high school students.

# Netman Lose Four Matches

Wausau defeated the Purple tennis team by a score of 9-0 in the match held here May 1. The match was held at Carson Park.

May 6, the Old Abe netmen played LaCrosse Logan at Carson Park. They were defeated by the score of 5-2.

The E. C. tennis team bowed to the LaCrosse Central players in the match held there May 5. The score was 7-0.

Eau Claire's netmen suffered another defeat at the hands of the Chippewa Cardinals, losing by a score of 8-1 in the match held April 8.

Brad Easterson gained the Purple's only point by defeating his opponent 6-4, 1-6 and 6-4 in the singles match.

In the rest of the singles Mike Coffman, Jerry Kruger, Erick Middelfort, John Glenz and John Speckien were all defeated.

The teams of Coffman-Easterson, Kruger-Middelfort and Glenz-Speckien were also defeated in the doubles matches.



The award winners for the FFA merit system year have been determined. Fifty boys will receive awards, which include an FFA sign for the first year members, an FFA letter for the second year, an FFA ring for the third year, and a pen and pencil set for the fourth year.

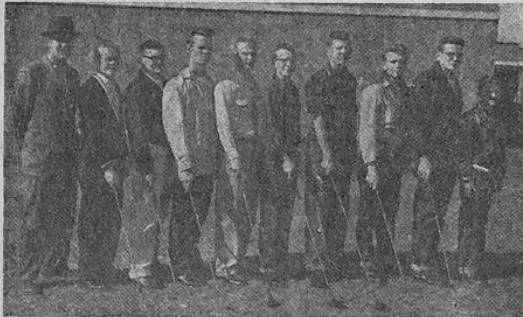
The first year members who will receive an award are: George King, Gary Champion, David Carter, William Jackson, Dale Shifter, Gordon Steinhauer, Gary Johnson, Ronald Welke, Leon Schuh, Roland Johnson, Richard Jensen, Kenneth Bollinger, Douglas Dohms, Duane Buckweat, Ronald Russell, Richard Welke, Duane Stafsholt, Thomas Brown and Ralph Holbrook.

The second year winners include Dale Thorkelson, Richard Erickson, Bob Riekeman, Leon Schretenthaier, John Tollefson, William Gullickson, David Day, Ronald Carey, Jim Lantz, Kenneth Hunt, Mike Blum, George Orth, and Jim Warden.

Third year winners include Russell Dunham, Gary Mayer, Thomas Haas, Pat Solcy, Fred King, Lyle Bien, Jerry Cleasby, Jeff Smith, Lloyd Sorenson, John Soles, and David Shaffer.

Fourth year includes Larry Pederson, Joe Schimmel, Don Bushendorf, Steve Surguy, and Bill Spelhe.

Next years officers were chosen at a meeting held May 6. As explained before, the outgoing officers and a board of officers selected the new ones. Jack Powell was chosen as president; John Soles as vice president; Leon Schretenthaier as secretary; Lyle Bien as treasurer; Richard Jarosch as reporter and David Day as sentinel.



This years golf squad consists of these players: Mr. Gibbs, coach, Eric Wahl, Paul Blom, Pete Speckien, Marty Grip, Tom Grip, Reed MacKenzie, John Wendt, George Long, Mike House.

# Old Abe Linkmen Continue Winning, Capture Big Rivers Golf Championship

On April 14 the victorious E.C. golfers captured top honors at the Big Rivers golf meet held at Wausau.

The Abes finished the match with a total score of 324, leading Wausau with a 345, La Crosse Central with 349, Menomonie with 356 and Marinette with 414.

Gaining medalist honors for the Abes were Reed MacKenzie and Tom Grip, who both shot a 79. Jim Ford or LaCrosse Central also received medalist honors for shooting a 79.

Firing 82 and 84 respectively, Jack Wendt and Marty Grip finished up for the Purple.

Ending the match by a score of 345-367, the Eau Claire linkmen pro-

ved victorious against the New Richmond linksters April 25. New Richmond was the host.

April 30 Menomonie, Wisconsin, lost to the Purple linkmen by the score of 448-481. This match was held at Menomonie.

The Old Abe golf team defeated the Wausau Lumberjacks May 1 by a score of 418-443. This match was held at Country Club course.

Eau Claire defeated the LaCrosse Central golfers 401-435 May 5. This match was held at LaCrosse.

La Crosse Logan fell victim to the Old Abe golf team in the match at the country club May 6. The final score in this dual match was 415-453.

### Printing and Ag Classes Take Various Field Trips

Several classes have gone on field trips as the end of the school year arrived. Among these were the printing and agriculture classes. Both these classes took their trips on Wednesday, May 14.

The senior students in the printing classes visited the Johnson Printing Company. The advisor of this group, Mr. Wisbroecker, went with them.

In the agriculture classes, the senior and junior boys went on a market study trip to Minneapolis. The purpose of this trip was to give the boys additional instruction on the marketing of farm products.

While there they toured the Minneapolis Grain Exchange, the Land-o-Lakes Feed, Seed and Fertilizer Plant Store, and the Land-o-Lakes Creameries. Here they were dinner guests. They also traveled to Anoka to see the Minnesota Herd Improvement Division.

### B. Neuman, Senior, Is May Uthrotar

The Uthrotar for the month of May is senior, Bruce Neuman. Bruce has been a very active student during his four years of senior high.

Bruce has played football for four years and was vice-king of the Pig Skin Pow Wow.

He has been a member of this years varsity basketball team which won a berth in the state tournament. Another activity of this busy senior is track. Bruce has worked out for the track team during his four years.

Being chosen May Uthrotar is not the only honor bestowed on Bruce. He was recently elected to the National Honor Society by his teachers.

Bruce was also a member of the senior class will committee and is a member of the Stump Club at MHS. Besides all of Bruce's activities, speech also takes up a lot of his time.

With graduation so near Bruce is making plans to attend the Bethesda Lutheran College in Mankato Minnesota.

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### Picnic Ends Year For French Club

The French Club has completed its annual end-of-the-year activities.

Thursday, May 15, a picnic was held at Eau Claire Lake. Nearly 30 members and alumni took part. Mrs. Chatterton and Miss Gloria West practice teacher, went along. The members of the club supplied food and transportation.

The following Monday, May 19, the Advanced French Class went out to eat at the Coach Club. Each paid for his own meal. Mrs. Chatterton again chaperoned, while Miss Almair, former practice teacher, was invited as a guest.

During a meeting in class, officers for next year were elected. They are: president, Mercedes Thompson; vice president, Janet Targart; secretary, Judy Finn; and treasurer, Mary Mierow.

This year the club also bought pins for its advanced members. Officers were given the opportunity to buy additional guards signifying their office. These guards are attached to the pins and each officer paid for his own.

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### THE PARTY LINE

(Continued from Page 2, Col. 3) gossips, what the highlights of the year are.

Party of the year . . . Russ Dunham  
Goof of the Year . . . Homecoming  
"Nut" of the Year . . . Donna Macrae  
Couple of the Year . . . Sue Quella  
Clare Russel

Dance of the Year . . . The Prom  
Hooters of the Year . . . Jim Oatman,  
Shelly Levin, Odie Mork  
Heartbreaker of the Year, . . .

Tom Partlow  
Chamois of the year. Skip VanGorden  
Date of the Year . . . Karen Tweet  
Teacher of the Year Mr. Torgerson  
On-Again Off Again . . . Curt Tweet  
and Carolyn Peterson

Shorty Fjeldstad sure knows how to keep a secret, huh Chuck?

Janet Holtz dragged a real hunk to the Senior Banquet. What's your charm, Jan?

Seemed as though the LaRock family was well represented at the dance Monday night. Gener was with Judy McElwaine per usual, but two new romances seemed to be budding between Rod and Dar Madson and Ab and Sharon Krigsvold.

Incidentally, we of the NEWS want to congratulate Bob McQuillan on his great talent. Not everybody can play the piano without any hands.

Congratulations are in order, too, to Judy Catlin. She finally got her man! What a rock!

Shelly Levin and Karen Tweet left her house for the dance at 9:00, but took a detour. What did the drive-in get that the Senior Banquet didn't have?

### Fred Turk Has Many Interests

"Never a dull moment when he's around," is one of the many comments which describe active junior Fred Turk. Variety is the spice of life, and Fred certainly does make use of this saying.

Although Fred's interests are varied, his main interest is sports. In school he has been on the varsity football team for two years and played fullback. Intramural basketball was one of the MHS sports he participated in during his sophomore year. Fred is also interested in swimming, water-skiing and hunting.

Fred has belonged to Stump Club for three years, and this year was elected vice president. Last year and during his freshman year he sang in the First Choir. He was elected to the office of librarian in the music group when he was a sophomore. Fred's hobby is working on his car in his spare time and after school. Eating is also one of the things he enjoys doing in his spare moments.

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**THE RAG BAG**  
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white floral design on a white back ground. It featured a scoop neck and a harem skirt. She completed this ensemble with light blue strap heels.

For those of you who have been reading our column this past year, we want to say good-bye for the last time, and we hope you have an exciting and fun-filled summer.

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