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### ALUMS BRIGHTEN HALLS OF LHS DURING THEIR RECESS

For those who have left home to seek a higher education, getting back to family and friends is probably the biggest treat of the holiday season. Naturally LHS is near and dear to the hearts of its alumni, many of whom were vacationing from their college duties this week.

Wasn't it like old times having Dave Lee, Ronny Johnson, Don Randall, "Zip" Reincke, "Butch" Lester, Dick Bain, Jerry Boyce, Jerry Knuth, Dinon Boyer and many others meandering through the halls? Another familiar face whom everyone was glad to see was Miss Pederson from Eau Claire.

Probably it seemed strange to see the former basketball stars, Dean Showers, Mike Daly, Francis Simonis, Jack Torresani, Harold Brewster, and John Ritchay watching the Nekoosa game instead of taking part in it.

Some other alumni who attended the French club dinner, Monday, were Sally Teas, Carol Cole, Sue Tate, Peter Bunde, and Sue Baker.

### ISN'T THAT LUCK?

Coming back to school January 9 won't be as distasteful as you might expect. Why? We're happy to announce that another paid assembly is scheduled for that Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Polomene Potters are the entertainers who will show us the fundamentals of pottery making.

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, A FAREWELL TO SCHOOL, A HELLO TO VACATION

With the orchestra playing a welcome the holiday-minded students enter the fieldhouse this afternoon for the annual Christmas program.

A reading, "Child's Dream of a Star", will be given by a senior Nancy Oakes, with another graduate of this year, Donna Braeger, playing the accompaniment on the piano.

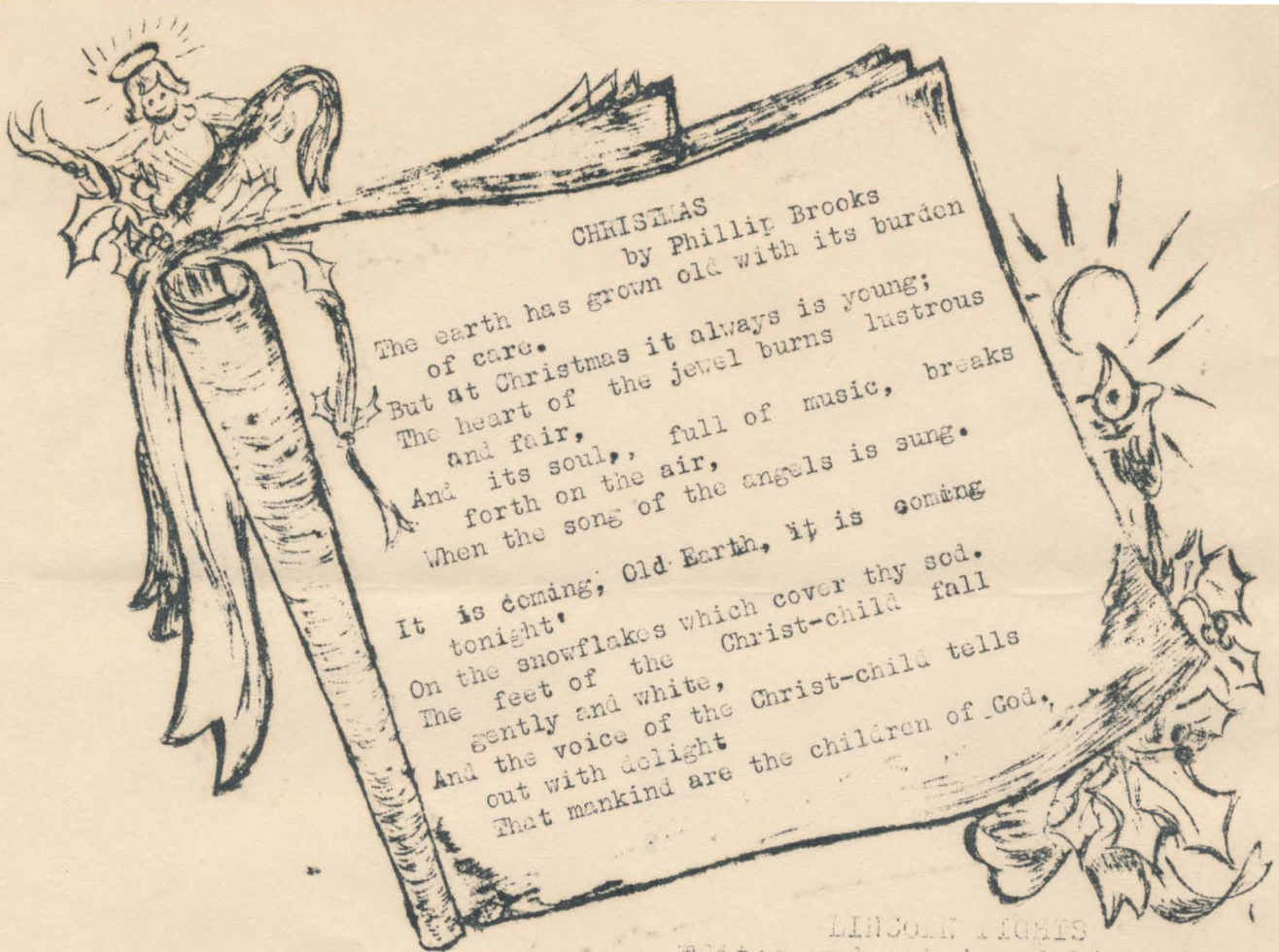
A one act play "Geraldine of the White Robe," will be enacted by members of the Dramatic club. The cast for this Christmas attraction are as follows: Angel I Jeannette Gill; Angel II, Clara Pasciak; Dick Rogers, Bill Johnson; Jerry, Beryl Royan; Chuck, Ronnie Maxwell; Pete, Dick Hornigold; Mrs. Rogers, Betty Crook; Reverend Parsons, Ken Peterson; Dale Bascomb Ed Oakes; Mrs. Bridges, Janet VanOrnum; and Stacia Burnell, Linda Brundidge.

Besides "Noel" and "Cradle Hymn" the choir will also sing "Lullaby on Christmas Eve" and "Winter Wonderland" with Gladys Arendt and Bob McLendon carrying the solo parts respectively.

The senior sextette including Gladys Arendt, Jeanette Almusin, Donna Braeger, Carol Kuechle, Dawn Mielke and Lorraine Woodward will sing "Gloria in Excelsis".

As the finale, the audience will join in singing "Silent Night" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem".

Happy holiday season. Remember the doors of LHS will be closed until Monday, January 9.



CHRISTMAS  
by Phillip Brooks

The earth has grown old with its burden  
of care.  
But at Christmas it always is young;  
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous  
and fair,  
And its soul, full of music, breaks  
forth on the air,  
When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, Old Earth, it is coming  
tonight.  
On the snowflakes which cover thy sod.  
The feet of the Christ-child fall  
gently and white,  
And the voice of the Christ-child tells  
out with delight  
That mankind are the children of God.

#### WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN?

For the past six weeks, on turning on our radios, we have heard, "All I want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth", "I Yust Go Nuts At Christmas", "Here Comes Santa Claus". Or else it has been the continued repeating of "This is your last opportunity to order your talking Santa, so order today". Children have been reminded since Thanksgiving to write their letters to Santa Claus. And from the announcements that were made, that old fellow can certainly be everywhere at anytime. We were plagued with, "Do your Christmas shopping early", and almost led to believe that if we did not buy elaborately, Christmas day would not be a happy one.

Surely the true story and spirit of Christmas have been hidden by the commercializing of it. Let us not forget the real significance of the great holiday we celebrate on Sunday. It is the anniversary of the birth of Christ.

Remembering that, I can still say with Yogi Yorgesson, "I enjoy it too". Merry Christmas, everyone!

JOHN NELSON

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A Christmas club check.....eleven gifts to be purchased.....can't decide what to buy Mom.....three dollars in the hole.....cards lacking in quantity .....stamps disappeared.....last minute rush for the dog's gift....forgotten souls send cards.....Christmas eve and no gift wrapping paper.....sister discovers her gift in the bed-ding closet.....can't find hidden presents.....tree arrives bare on one side .....hunt for ornaments is futile.....discover long awaited gift only to note it's for brother.....cat climbs tree .....buy new ornaments.....Christmas dinner excellent.....scale shows four pound increase.....vacation is set on two-meal day.....candy good.....have dentist appointment soon.....candy not so good.....late for church.....sweaters and skates exchanged for size smaller.....crawl into bed to await the next holiday.....MERRY CHRISTMAS? It sure is!!

THESPIAN FORMAL SLATED FOR JANUARY 27--  
"CANDLELIGHT CAFE",  
THEME CHOSEN

Work has begun on the annual Thespian formal to be held Friday, January 27th. The couples will dance to the music of Cliff Hoene of Wausau, in a "Candle-Light Cafe" which is the theme.

The co-chairmen are Betty Crook and John Scheunemann. Serving under them are the following committees:

Decorations, Joan Pomainville, head artist, Marylyn Bachtle, Bob Gamroth, Marjorie Karnatz, Jim Reader, Paul Bossert, Nancy Baker.

Programs, Phyllis Karnatz Arylss Brown, Sally Witte.

Punch, Jeannette Gill, Nancy Oakes, Sally Dickerman.

Invitations, Ethel Farris, Ken Peterson, Jim Randlett.

Orchestra, Nancy Baker.

FRESHMEN SHOW SPIRIT; CHEER  
LEADERS TO DON PEDDLE PUSHERS

"We have cheerleaders for our varsity team but what about the Freshman team, don't you think they need some pepping up?" asked the freshmen. They got some results because on Tuesday night, December 13, nearly 30 freshman boys and girls gathered in the fieldhouse for tryouts.

Now maybe we will have a little more interest in the games since Patsy Wood, Virgene Sprafka, Judy Clark, Helen Pandow, Diane Monske, and Jean Sweet will be the cheerleaders. They will furnish their own uniforms which are to be red corduroy peddle pushers and white sweat shirts with the letter 'W' on the front. We'll be watching for you girls at the next game.

G. DICKERMAN ADDRESSES GEOGRAPHY  
CLUB

At the regular Tuesday meeting of the Geography Club Mr. Gilbert Dickerman spoke of his experiences in England and Germany in 1945. His talk was accompanied by appropriate slides he had taken in Europe.

MISS TALBOT RECOVERS FROM  
OPERATION

Miss Talbot, senior advisor and Latin and math teacher, is now recovering from a serious operation performed Monday morning at the local hospital. Several transfusions were necessary, but her condition is now much improved.

The women who substituted for her this week were Mrs. R. Cooke and Mrs. L.J. Reinhart. The seniors and the students in Miss Talbot's classes are planning to send her a gift.

We hope that January 9 will find Miss Talbot back in her classroom.

FRENCH DINNER A SUCCESS

The French club dinner was held last Monday night in the cafeteria. The guests were Mrs. Klevene, Sally Teas, Carol Cole, Sue Tate, Nancy Smart, Audrey Chiswell, Josephine Bush, Sue Baker, Steve Hill, Kent Dickerman, Pete Bunde and Frank Thirkell.

The meal consisted of six courses, all French foods. The program which followed was in French also. Mrs. Klevene gave a short talk, Ken Purdy read the Christmas story from the Bible; Jeannette Gill, Marylyn Bachtle and Ted Brazeau gave a Christmas skit after which they sang a few French Christmas carols.

DRAMATIC CLUB ENJOYS SPIRITED  
EVENING

The Thespian Dramatic club held its annual Christmas party last Wednesday night. A short skit was presented after which Dawn Mielke and Donna Braeger led the group in singing Christmas carols. Gifts were exchanged among the members. Refreshments were served followed by dancing in the fieldhouse.

Serving on the committee were Bob McLendon, chairman, Bill Johnson, Sondra Reimer, and Arlene Sandrin.

Christmas is a joyous time. Happy Christmas carols fill the crisp sparkly night air. Inside the brightly lighted homes, there is a warmth of contentment and happiness. Colorful evergreen streamers drape the downtown streets, and beneath them are many merry shoppers hurrying to and fro with their arms loaded high with bundles. When all the last minute shopping is over and the stores blink out their lights one by one, a beautiful stillness settles down. As you walk to church, your heart sings with joy.

On Christmas Day, it's a pleasure to see faces light up with joy at the sight of a much wanted gift. Little sister, her face all smiles, cuddles her new doll with the frilly dress. Father delights in showing off his new scarf and glove set. Even Grandmother rocks in her new chair, lifting her happy countenance to watch the twinkling lights on the Christmas tree, while below it the kitten slaps a ball with her little paws.

All these things are outward signs of joy. But inside every heart is the joy of the knowledge of the Christmas story and why the Christ child came to this earth.

S.S. PETER AND PAUL'S GYM BECKONS ALL TO CHRISTMAS DANCE, DEC. 27

"Are you planning to go to the Christmas formal?" You have overheard this question many times lately and are probably wondering just what the details are. It is the annual dance given every Christmas by the Rosa Mystica Sodality at the SS Peter and Paul school gym.

With "White Christmas" as the theme this year, the formal will be December 27, dancing from nine until one o'clock with the Squires furnishing the music. Tickets which are \$1.50 per couple will be sold at the door. Everyone is welcome to come have a good time.

The Art club members have contributed a great deal to the Christmas spirit in Lincoln high school. The windows of the Art room portraying "The Night Before Christmas" were cleverly done by Louie Kermitz, Gail McCarthy, Frank Steinke, Beverly Nachon, Janet Van Ornum, June Hewitt, and Don Hoffman. Another attraction in the Art room is the paper sculpturing of a Christmas scene done by Lilas Smith.

The paper mache of the manger scene in the library is the beautiful work of Audrey Wilke. The stenciling of cloth also in the library was done by Rosemary Greeno, Rita Nobles, Jean Pope, Lilas Smith and Marjorie Smith.

It is too bad the boys can't see the lovely Christmas scene done by Marjorie Link in the girls' locker room. Marjorie also made the novel paper mache Santa Claus seen at the Christmas concert.


Some other art students, Lilas Smith, Lee Budahl and Rosemary Greeno, are busily making linoleum block - printed Christmas cards.

Other works of art not done by art students are the wreaths, pictures and other decorations adorning almost every room in school. Of course, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without the large tree decorated by the Pep club in place of Lincoln's statue.



GAMMA SIGMA PARTY AT OAKES'

The Gamma Sigma Christmas meeting was held at the home of Nancy Oakes. After the business meeting, the program was given with Phyllis Karnatz, Ethel Farris and Nancy Oakes performing. Games were played, gifts were exchanged, and refreshments were served by the hostess.

TRIPLE HOLIDAYS FOR SOME  
 December 23  
 Dean Abbott, Veronica Honkomp,  
 David Minta

December 25  
 James Johnson, Pat Van Tassel  
 Harvey Nystrom

December 30  
 Dick Hornigold

December 31  
 Jim Bowen, Delwin Sweeney, Marjorie  
 Weigel, Carol Wittenberg

January 1  
 Marion Hahn, John Podawiltz

January 2  
 LeRoy Johnson, Fred Shaffer

January 3  
 John Kuehl, James Purdy, Hazel  
 Hanneman

January 4  
 Kathleen Schilter

January 5  
 Wayne G. Johnson, Donald Bottensek

January 6  
 Roy Clark, Tom Lutz, Dawn Mielke

January 7  
 Joan Bolzer, Richard Gasch, Joyce  
 Newman, Harold Hill

January 8  
 James Wall, Lou Ann Shymanski,  
 Shirley Kauth

January 9  
 Patricia Gasch

January 10  
 David Patrykus, Dean Saeger, Bill  
 Mertens, Donna Mann

January 11  
 Bob Dillingham, Gloria Suchow

January 12  
 Sally Anderson

January 13  
 Bette Eickhorn, James Hagerstrom

January 14  
 Jerry Fritsche

January 15  
 Donna Panzer, Barbara Pagel, James  
 Johnson, Helen Rickhoff, Alvina  
 Tomszyk

January 16  
 Donna Braeger, Lois Warner, Gladys  
 Arendt, Bernadetta Gerum, Wayne  
 Kauth, Carol Vollert

January 18  
 Gordon Zager, Roger Sanger, Kath-  
 leen Amundson

January 19  
 Calvin Lieber, Jerry Nash, Tom  
 O'Day, Ronnie Lecker, Wayne Pro-  
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## VERSATILE GAL PROUD TO GRADUATE FROM LHS

If you ever turned on the radio on Tuesdays about 7:05 p.m. when the Booster club was on WFHR, you tuned in on a cheerful voice that said, "and now for some gossip from LHS!" The face behind the friendly chatter belongs to Ethel Farris.

Ethel is very active around school with her long list of extra-curricular activities. Ethel is a member of the orchestra, marching band, Dramatic club, Pep club, Chemistry club, Gamma Sigma, Thespian, Ahdawagan Staff, Lincoln Lights' Staff, Girls' Glee Club, Senior Girl Scouts, and G.A.A., where she enjoys basketball most. One would think that all this would take up every minute of her time, but besides, Ethel has written and directed plays.

Ethel, like so many of us, believes in having a little play with her work, and she has her share of fun, too. One of the exciting experiences she had this year was attending the state annual Speech Institute at the Stevens Point State Teachers' College. She also loves hiking. If you see Ethel with a sunburned face some hot day, you'll know she has been to Point or Wausau on her bike.

If Ethel is ever accused of not seasoning her cooking enough, she can't blame it on not having the proper "tools" because she collects salt and pepper shakers as a hobby.

Ethel will graduate from the English course, after which she hopes to attend the Stevens Point college, hoping to do work in the primary and dramatic fields.

As for her opinion of LHS, Ethel thinks it's a wonderful school, being proud to graduate from it. But best of all she enjoys the many extra-curricular activities it has to offer the students.



The coming holiday season brings with it dances, dates, and parties which present the often-debated problems of just what to do when various situations arise. Therefore we have selected the following questions on which you can rate yourselves.



1. If a boy gives a corsage of pink rosebuds to a girl wearing a tomato-red dress, she should (a) not wear the corsage. (b) wear it on her dress. (c) rearrange it to be worn in her hair or on her wrist.

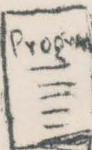


2. When a girl who has already accepted an invitation is invited by another boy with whom she'd prefer to go, she (a) may cancel the first invitation. (b) must go with the person whose invitation she first accepted. (c) may decide not to go at all.



3. A girl who refuses one boy a dance (a) may dance that same dance with someone else. (b) must not dance that particular number. (c) must not dance any more that evening.

4. When asked for a date by a boy she likes, a girl should (a) pretend indifference. (b) show enthusiasm. (c) promise to let him know later.



5. To be a successful host or hostess, you must (a) plan in advance for the event. (b) have lots of money. (c) be born with the gift of entertaining.

6. When you're invited to a party, you go (a) solely to be entertained. (b) partly to help make the evening a success. (c) mainly to see a particular person.

Now look at the correct answers and see just how your answers rate with the preferred ones. If you have them all right, congratulations. 1 c, 2 b, 3 b, 4 b, 5 a, 6 b.

I am Christmas Spirit with a heart so good and true;  
May God look down and bless everyone of you.  
May His birthday have a meaning and your Christmas be just grand  
Yes, I wish a Merry Christmas to the best kids of the land!

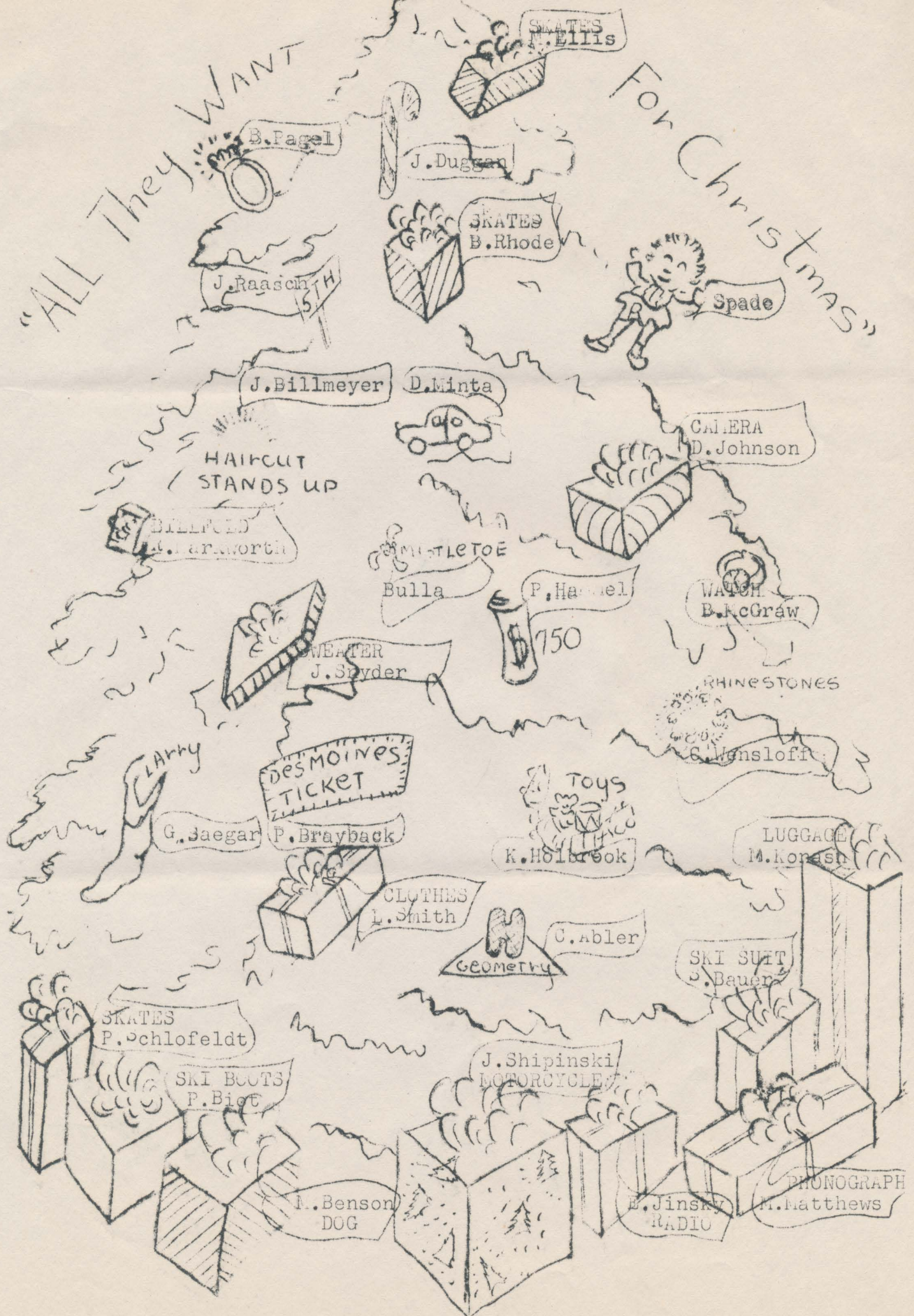
Sally Witte



'Twas THE NIGHT  
BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN W. R.

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the town  
Not a creature was stirring, except Joan Braun.  
M. Nobles was hanging her stockings with care,  
In hopes that "Jugger" soon would be there.  
J. Haney was nestled all snug in her bed,  
While visions of Jim danced in her head.  
And Ma Ritchay in her 'kerchief, and Pa Ritchay in his cap  
Had just settled down for a long winter's nap.  
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,  
'Twas Jim getting home with his clothes all a tatter.  
Away to the window Pa flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.  
When, what to his wondering eyes should appear,  
But a maroon "Chevie" filled with tiny dear.  
With George K. as the driver, so lively and quick,  
He knew in a moment they were up to some trick.  
When down the street four girls came,  
They whistled and shouted, and called them by name.  
Come, Marge! Come, Kootie! Come Shirley! and Jakie,  
Come for a ride for which we will now take ye.  
He heard them exclaim as they drove out of sight.  
"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

"ALL They WANT For Christmas,"





## HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING LEAGUE

High Individual and Series  
for December 17, 1949

### High Series

Boys		Girls	
J. Biot	524	P. Biot	472
E. Anderson	499	L. Spencer	359
G. Wolosek	495	S. Dickerman	343

### High Individual

J. Biot	188	P. Biot	175
G. Wolosek	177	P. Kelly	157
E. Anderson	174	B. Mader	152

### TEAM STANDINGS

Crowns Auto Sales	3	0
Warsinski Motors	3	0
Consolidated	2	1
Friendly Fountain	1	2
Obermiers	0	3
Casey Son's	0	3



### G. A. A. NEWS

Volleyball class teams have been organized, and are under the supervision of Phyllis Karnatz. The Heath's were the only undefeated team when the tournament closed. The seven outstanding players in volleyball this year were: Sally Dickerman, Marylyn Bachtel, Betty Mader, Kath Daly, Joan Duggan, Marilyn Jacobs, and Betsy Dickerman.

That little Santa Claus Cobbie has on her office door is pretty novel, isn't it? Yes, there really is the holiday spirit in the girls locker room.

Basketball will get under way as soon after vacation as possi-

## RAIDERS MEET TWO MILWAUKEE FOES OVER CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

As the Christmas season descends upon us, the Raider varsity will have a brief rest but will resume play December 29-30 when they will meet strong opposition from Shorewood and Waukesha respectively. It is a renewal of the Doubleheader series also involving Stevens Point.

The Red Raiders will enter into the two day invasion with an undefeated basketball quint, but will have to show great improvement if they wish to uphold that record.

The Red Raiders maintained a slim margin in the Valley title race with a roughshod 50-35 triumph over Nekoosa. However after the holidays, the Red Raiders will put their record before an unbeaten Marshfield team which has looked extremely good in a few of its games this season.

One week later will be the showdown with Stevens Point on the Raider home floor.

ble. This year girls are allowed to have two dribbles, instead of one, (really getting generous). Now that we have two weeks of vacation, it would be a good idea if we would all get busy, and get enough points for that emblem, pin, or letter for G.A.A. Remember that you get two points an hour for skating, skiing and tobogganing (not behind a car though), and two points a mile for hiking.

Have a Merry Christmas, and don't eat and sleep too much during vacation.

See you next year.