

MUSICAL TONIGHT

EDITION OF ADDITION

The New Addition is near completion. The grade rooms may be ready after Christmas vacation while the band rooms may be ready for use in another month.

The hall walls are done in baked and ceramic tile, the hall floors are made of green terrazzo (the same as in the present grade building). There will be a gate to keep the grade children from entering the high school building and one also for the band room. There is a large skylight where the east-west and north-south halls intersect.

The entrance of each classroom is a cloak room for the student's things. The classroom has thermopane windows on one wall and tag board on another. Cupboards run under the tag-board and windows.

There are two lavatories in each class room instead of one large one. The floor is done in tile and the walls are plastered. The ceiling is made of acoustical tile which is made of gypsum. The color of the floor and walls on the west side of the building will be in cool shades of green because of the heat of the sun. The rooms on the west side of the building will be in shades of red or brown.

The southwest wing contains the grade library, principal's office, sick-room, and janitor's storage room.

The high school was not left out of the wonderful project. They will have a new band and music addition. It consists of a large uniform room, seven small and Mr. Halling's office, the instrument room, and the main band practice room.

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Christmas bells are ringing all over Pine City High School as everyone prepares for the annual Christmas Program, which will be held tonight, December 15.

A saxophone quartet will play some of the favorite Christmas melodies from behind the curtains as the proud parents of talented children enter the auditorium.

REVIEW - PREVIEW

Three months ago, Pine City High School again opened its doors to begin a new school year. Since then much has happened and even more is on the way.

The first big event of the year was Homecoming--the coronation, parade, and the 7-7 tie with Rush City that night. Later, Darlene Krube reigned over the Homecoming dance.



Sandy, Karin, Darlene.
Just a memory . . .

Almost before it was over, the Juniors began to practice for their play. A month later, "Room for One More" was set down as another successful production in the history of Pine City plays.

The football season was over and as the spotlight was shifted to basketball, the grade and high school began

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The program will be opened by a triple quartet, chosen from the chorus, singing The Sleigh and Go Tell It To the Mountains. The members of this group will be Pine City's representatives for the All Star chorus.

Perhaps you've heard strains of The Ukrainian Bell Carol being hummed around school. That is one of the numbers that the chorus will sing. Led by Miss Ditty, they will also sing Today There Is Ringing.

The High School Band, which is conducted by Mr. Halling, will play Prelude as an opening and the beautiful Christmas Suite, a selection which includes many Christmas songs, such as O Come Emanuel, What Child Is This, Twelve Days of Christmas, and others.

Miss Ditty is also in charge of the Children's Operetta. This part of the program will be opened by the fifth and sixth grade in a chorus of Christmas songs. The highlight of the program is the play "The Toys That Had to Wait". The first through the fourth grades will portray the story of how Old Santa forgets some of the toys at home. This really worries Mrs. Santa, but the good fairy appears on the scene, brings the toys to life and makes it a happy Christmas for the little toys after all.

These groups have been rehearsing their parts for some time and the efforts they have put into the program promise to make it an entertaining evening for everyone attending.

GUEST EDITORIAL

by Mr. Sporer

Pine City, Minnesota
December 3, 1954

Dear Editor,

What would the world be like today if people like Thomas Edison, Louis Pasteur and Madame Curie had been satisfied with their first achievements and never continued to work for the betterment of humanity? These people were never content to rest on their laurels, but were always striving for high achievement.

The pattern you follow during your high school days is the pattern you will follow during later life. The habits you acquire now, and they are acquired, not inherited, will be the habits of your future life. About one-third or more of you will go on to college. As I think back on my own college days, I remember that those who couldn't make the grade were those who had not acquired good study habits, those who had not learned to respect authority, or those who had not learned that one must buckle down and get to work if one is to get anywhere.

Why trade high achievement--why sell your future for seeming "popularity"? Acting up in class, talking back to teachers, showing off, not studying, being satisfied with just a passing grade, are not things to build your future on. If your foolish actions appear to make you popular, remember that this type of popularity is not real and lasting. Don't be satisfied with a "C" when you know you could have done "B" work. Remember, the person who is successful is the one who goes the extra mile.

I believe in giving compliments where they are due, and I believe our Junior Cheerleaders really have a bouquet coming.

These peppy girls must find it hard to lead cheers when there is no one to cheer with them. The girls are working on several new cheers and we should try to get to the basketball games and cheer with them.

I'm sure everyone will agree with me on this point. Let's give our cheerleaders a square deal!

Cleo Clem

Eds. Answer

It is primarily the responsibility of the Junior High to support their cheerleaders. Let's see some action!

Editorial

... Review-Preview

preparing for the Christmas program, which will soon be presented.

Christmas vacation is still to come. The rush with presents and decorations hasn't reached full swing yet, but already the vacation is the main topic of interest.

January is an active month with the All-Star Band and Chorus two weeks after vacation ends, followed closely by the "March of Dimes" show put on for the general public the first time last year.

Farther in the future is Senior Skip Day, the Prom, the spring Music Festival, basketball tournaments, and at the end of the year graduation for the seniors.

Many things have happened so far, but the biggest and best part of the school year is yet to come.

After going to the farthest extreme of commercialism, Christmas may be finally returning to its true meaning.

More religious Christmas cards are being printed and distributed. Even the decorations used in homes and outdoor displays are becoming more Christmas-like.

But what's happened to the Christmas music? The popular records are taking over the place previously held by Christmas carols. These substitutes are helping to lose the purpose of Christmas.

The value of Thanksgiving is smothered in the force of Christmas pressure which starts about November 25. Instead of being thankful for our blessings, we're all reminded to be thankful for the month that remains in which to do our Christmas shopping.

Celebrate in the right spirit; don't forget what CHRISTMAS means.

LETTERS WANTED
for
ANN MARIE

Ann Marie Minar has been in the Braham Hospital since October 2 because of injuries received in a car accident. She will be spending her Christmas there too. Let's shower her with Christmas cards. We know she will appreciate it.

Her address is:

Braham Hospital
Braham, Minnesota

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Speaking of Christmas

by Janet Rypkema

The buzz and the buzz,
As you walk down the hall,
Is merely the planning
Of committees and all.

There's food preparation
And the games to be played,
And the lovely decorations
On the tree to be laid.

Let us take a look in
On room 103.
Where Miss Rogstead's "beavers"
Are at work on their tree.

Oh, look! on the ladder
Way up at the top
Art with the angel
"Be careful! Don't flop!"

In comes Miss Rogstead
Amazed at the sight,
She did not expect us
To do this tonight.

Our room is now finished
And all filled with cheer,
'Tis the happiest place
In the building this year.

So let's make this Christmas
Here at Pine City High
The merriest for all.
We can if we try.

Big Joke

Russia's seven hit tunes are as follows; compiled from the "Molotov Cocktail Hour".

1. You're the Kremlin in My Coffee
2. Cometo Me My Molenkov Baby
3. Little Red Crowd that Spied
4. Ural I Want
5. Red Jails in Siberia
6. Oh, What a Beautiful Mourning
7. Lenin Call You Sweet-heart, Ivan Love With You

S-D DAY

December 15 is S-D Day-- Safe Driving Day--all over the nation. The goal of S-D Day is "for every community to go accident-free for the 24-hour period of Dec. 15." The purpose is "to show that motorists and pedestrians can eliminate traffic accidents by their own actions."

The Freshmen Health and Safety Classes are making S-D Day their special project by a poster campaign in school and in town, a display in the window of the East Central Electric Company, giving tickets to jay-walkers, signs on the school stop lights, pledges for each family to sign, and a canvas of every house Tuesday, December 14.

The idea is to have each motorist and pedestrian--everyone--obey all the traffic regulations, instead of taking the "quickest" or "easiest" way.

Are you the kind of driver and pedestrian you'd like others to be?

Whozits

The movie star smile--
Dick Kosik
A jokester--
Chuck Thieman
A George Gobel fan--
Andy Edin
Man with a pick-up--
Earl Pixley
An all-around guy--
Ray Stevens
A "Bowlerama" girl--
Fran Nelson
Three blondes--
Laura Grover
Margaret Rasmussen
Jane Blanchard
He races to the roller rink--
Roger Vacinek
A "Future Farmer" champ--
Dave Fischer
A subscriber to "Sports Affield"
Fred Hodge

BIRTHDAYS

	December
Bonita Raines	7
Louis Shumway	7
Frank Peil	7
Sandra Barnes	9
Gary Sommer	9
Leroy Geissler	9
Herbert Meyer	10
Caroline Najmon	12
Mike Selleck	13
Don Tollefson	13
Joanne Mills	17
George Stevens	18
Dave Miska	21
Donna Magnuson	22
John Bauer	23
Joanne Anderson	25
Leo Caroon	25
Roger Haavisto	25
Jerry Schlosser	26
Lorene De Long	26
Donna Yost	27
Sharon Roubinek	27
Kay Nelson	28
Beverly Tuma	29
Tom Stoffel	30
Marlys Erickson	31

IMAGINE--

Leslie Benson as the "Tall Texan".
Doris Caroon as the hat-check girl at the Stork Club.
Oscar Thorson master of ceremonies at the Miss America talent contest.
Gary Rohweder the judge.
Wanda Bell as Long Sam's understudy.
Lucille Saumer supplying sound effects for the "Fun House".
Mike Selleck picking up where Glenn Miller left off.
Virgene Anderson as Arthur Murray's prize pupil.
Abel Korf the whiz of the Roller Derby.
Alf Grandt singing with the Metropolitan Opera.
Donna Mae Erickson the Power's model.
Bill Roubinek owner of a chain store of jet-propelled helicopters.

"Twas in a restaurant that they met,
Romeo and Juliet.
He had no cash to pay the debt,
So Rome-oad what Julie-et!

STAFF SAYS MERRY CHRISTMAS

L A U G H S

from the

S T A F F

The CHENGWATANA Staff dedicates to the various departments in our high school, the following:

Administration:

Teacher (answering the phone): "You say Billy has a cold and can't come to school today? Who is this speaking, please."

Voice (with assumed hoarseness): "This is my father."

Home Ec:

"The cannibal prince came home late one night.

"Am I too late for dinner?" he asked.

"Yes," said the king. "Everyone's eaten."

Biology:

"What has a thousand legs but can't walk?"

Five hundred pairs of pants.

English:

Teacher: "Johnny, name a collective noun."

Johnny: "A vacuum sweeper."

Math:

Joe: "How are you getting along with your arithmetic?"

Moe: "Well, I've learned to add up the zeros, but the figures still bother me."

Geography:

How much did Pittsburgh Pa?

How much does Columbus O?

How many eggs did Louisiana La?

What grass did Joplin Mo?

We call Minneapolis Minn.

Why not call Annapolis Ann?

If you can't tell the reason why

Perhaps Topeka Kan.

F.F.A.

Visitor: "I see you raise hogs almost exclusively around here. Why don't you plant corn and get more money?"

Native (slowly): "Hawgs don't need no hoeing."

History:

Teacher: "Give me one fact about the men who signed the Declaration of Independence."

Bright Student: "They're all dead."

Drivers' Training:

Bill: "How did Ed hurt his hand?"

Jack: "Reckless driving."

Bill: "Did he smash up his car?"

Jack: "No, just his finger. He missed the nail!"

Commercial:

I've invented something that will make my fortune."

"What is it this time."

"Why, it's an extra key on a typewriter. When you don't know how to spell a word, you hit that key and it makes a blur that might be an "a," an "e," or almost anything else."

Health and Safety:

Pupil: "What part of the body is the fray?"

Teacher: "The fray? There is no such part of the body."

Pupil: "Well, it says here the captain was shot in the thick of the fray."

Music:

"Did your music teacher really tell you that your voice was heavenly?"

"Well...she said it was unearthly."

SEASON



STARTS

Basketball season will soon be in full swing, so here is some useful information about the team and the schedule.

The captains this year are Jon Stratte and Andy Edin, two of the squad's scarce seniors. They were picked unanimously by last year's team.

The team is now polishing its playing technique for the opening games.

Here is a complete schedule of the games:

Dec. 10	Taylor's Falls	T
Dec. 11	Forest Lake	H
Jan. 8	Lindstrom	T
Jan. 11	North Branch	H
Jan. 14	Rush City	T
Jan. 18	Sandstone	H
Jan. 21	Chisago City	H
Jan. 25	Taylor's Falls	H
Jan. 28	Forest Lake	T
Feb. 1	Lindstrom	H
Feb. 4	North Branch	T
Feb. 8	Rush City	H
Feb. 15	Chisago City	T
Feb. 18	Hinckley	H
Feb. 22	Hinckley	T

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C A T

You don't really get a true picture of Pine City High School until you have seen what piles up in the lockers between locker inspection.

Several members of the staff conducted a survey after school one day and they reported these items:

- Gum
- Candy wrappers
- Thumb tacks
- Magazines
- Sheet music
- Decaying lunches
- Notes
- Shoebbox
- Baton
- Cartridge shells
- Towel and gym suit
- Crushed Kleenex box
- Candle
- Mirror
- Pictures of movie stars
- Bread crust
- Camera box
- "Pocket Guide to China"
- "History of World War II"
- Dictionary
- Dish towel and apron
- Compass
- Autograph book
- Shelf paper
- Aspirins
- Metal file
- An empty "pickled pigs' feet" jar
- Hand lotion
- Unfinished birdhouse
- Shoe heel
- Dust rag
- Growing plant
- Pair of glasses with nose attached

Our next article will be a psychological study on why the students put these things in their lockers.

The results should be interesting.

Mr. Hanson: Did you know that 90% of the women in the Women's Jail in Minneapolis are women?

... Addition

The last is built in a semi-circle and the floor will be built in steps so that all may see the director.

The overcrowding now in existence will be greatly relieved with the completion of the addition.