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V Hoekman Heads For Girls State by Cheryl Beukelman

Girls State is an honor that goes to a deserving junior girl once every year. To be up for Girls State there are a few qualifications to be met. She must be in the top third of the girls of the junior class with a 'B' average for the two and one-half hears she has completed. She must be a citizen of the United State, unmarried and expecting to complete high school after Girls State.

This year Vera Hoekman was given the honor to represent Corsica. When Vera was asked if she is looking forward to this honor she replied, "Yes, I am looking forward to Girls State very much." Vera participates in a variety of school acttivities. These include Drama Club, declam, math and instrumental contests, pep club, librarian, band, chorus, and also was up for Snow Queen as a candidate from Corsica.

Girls State will be held May 30-June 5 on the DWU campus in Mitchell. Vera will be learning the fundamentals of how a government is run.

This year's alternate is Tami Hamburg.

Filing System Helps Originate Title by Randy Dockendorf

Almost anything worthwhile requires a lot of patience and hard work. The same holds true of most musicals, with one very great and very beautiful exception. While doing some researching for the Publicity Crew I ran across the very unique story of how 'The Wizard Of Oz' was born.

Lyman Frank Baum was born in New York and traveled to Chicago to try his hand at some journalism and writing. Unfortunately, his literary magazine got off to a slow start and the bills mounted up. The only break from his discouragement was the entertaining stories he told the children at night. One evening he started to weave a tale about a girl named Dorothy who traveled through a beautiful magic land with her friends named Scarecrow, Tinman, and the Lion. His final worry was what to name the new land, for a land cannot be a magic land without a magic name. His wandering eyes came upon a filing cabinet divided into two parts-letters A-N and (you quessed it) O-Z. His worries were over and the Land of Oz was born. Each new idea evolved into the story that has enchanted children and caught the imagination of adults for years. 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz' was made into a musical comedy in 1901 and the famous motion picture (starring Judy Garland) in 1939.

As I said before, worthwhile things take much work, time, and patience, which has been the trademark of the CHS Drama Club. After putting in approximately 108 hours of work, all they ask is your support to make this musical a success. As we have proven before, this is one play you won't want to miss. Remember the dates—April 8, 9, and 10, at 8:00 p.m. in the CHS gym. See you there!

CHS Gets In To Spring by Cheryl Bamberg

The Music Department of Corsica High School will present its Spring Concert on Tuesday April 27, under the direction of Mr. Ralland Bartelt. The Mixed, Girls, and Boys Chorus will sing

a variety of numbers and the Band will also play several selections.

Also that evening there is something to look forward to: "a science and industrial arts fair," to see the accomplishments of the students. The students in the junior and senior high See SPRING CONCERT

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EDITORIALS AND NEWS-76

Easter Has A Special Meaning

by Wanda Oakland

Don't you sometimes wish you were a little kid again, and wake up on Easter Morn and find that the Easter Bunny had filled your basket with all sorts of goodies? But since we can't go back to those days, let's look at how we can make Easter a happier time for teenagers and older people.

It seems as we are supposedly approaching adulthood we are to see only the religious side of Easter which we should do, but that doesn't mean Easter can't be a time where friends and relatives can get together and spend the real meaning of Easter and have a good time. Why can't Easter be spent like some of the other holidays like Christmas or Thanksgiving?

Easter should be a day to remember and cherish, not just a day to stuff the kiddies with candy and throw the meaning out with the candy wrappers. It should be a day where loved ones can get together and feel the jous of Easter with one another.

Drugs Are Not Worth The Loss

"So, you were stopped for a traffic violation and were discovered in possession of pot. And you were convicted of possession just enough—a felony—and received a suspended sentence. Do you think that is the end of it, son?

"NOT QUITE!" You also lost your right to vote, to own a gun or to run for public office. You lost the opportunity of EVER becoming a doctor, dentist, certified accountant, engineer, lawyer, architect, realtor, osteopath, pharamacist, school teacher, barber, or a stockbroker. con't next col.

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25 Days To Go.Seniors!

You can't EVER hold a job where you must be lincensed or bonded and you can NEVER work for the city, the county or the Federal Government. You can't be admitted to West Point, Annapolis, of the Air Force Academy; but you CAN enlist in the military service...and be assigned to a labor battalion.

"Son, take it from some guys with a lot of mileage behind them: To you—with a lot of mileage still ahead of you—it just isn't worth it! DON'T DO IT!
From the Torrington Telegram

Math Adds Up

by Delwyn Vreugdenhil It's spring again and along with it comes many contests with schools statewide. A few among them would be the Merten-Hasse Math Contest at USD in Vermillion on April 3 and the CBH Contest at Plankinton on April 15. This year only three are going to USD, one in each division. Those students attendind are Paulette Vanden Hoek in the Geometry division. Vera Hoekman in the Algebra division, and Steve Beukelman in the Senior division.

Corsica again has a good chance in taking the CBH conference this year because they have a team of experienced veterans. Those representing Corsica will be Sheryl Beukelman, Rose Drefs, and Debbie King in the Algebra I division; Ivan Brouwer, Scott Muckey and Paulette Vanden Hoek in the Geometry division; Vera Hoekman, Darwin Brouwer, See Math Contest

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Sophomores Obviate ldleness

by Dianne Menning

The Sophomores have been busy with boys and girls track, working on the play. and having to worry about the parent-teachers conference and report cards, and the final 9-week tests. Some of them are also getting ready for Prom.

Juniors Keep Planning

by Vera Hoekman

The Juniors, like all the other students, have been kept busy studying this month. As a "reward" for their studying they received their report cards. This told the juniors that they had a year and onefourth left and some can't wait until that is over.

Prom is coming closer and so is the time for the musical, Many of the Juniors are participating in the musical and have most of their evenings planned. Track is also keeping them busy so they will stay out of mischief.

Freshman Are Takina A Break by Cheryl Bamberg

With the nine-weeks tests over and book reports handed in, the Freshmen are taking a break.

Several of the freshmen have been selected for casts or crew in the upcoming play. They are Connie Everson, Mona Maunders, Lori DeVries, Jeff Hamburg, Dave Buck, and Sheryl Beukelman, all in the

chorus. The ones in the make-up crew are very important also. They consist of Rose Drefs and Lori DeVries. The head of the light crew is Keith Niewenhuis. Dave Buck will be head of the stage crew. Aheryl Beukelman will assist the heads of the Publicity Crew and Cheryl Bamberg will play in the band: The cast and crew are working hard and hopefully looking forward to a successful musical.

This year only two freshmen girls are out for track. They are Debbid King and Sheryl Beukelman.

This mine weeks is the last nine weeks of the school year. Most of the freshmen are anxious to have the school year come to an end.

Music Festival Keeps Music In The Air by Connie Everson

At 8:30 Friday morning. March 26, the band packed up and were on their way.

On their way where? To the Music Festival held annually in the Mitchell Corn Palace.

The day begins with a morning of hard practice on the part of the band. the afternoon the band is joined by the Mixed Chorus. and finally at 8:00 p.m., after a long afternoon of practice, the participants are ready.

The concert, a rendition of all the songs practiced. intermittently spiced with a special musical selection from each school.

The day on a whole is a a very educational and enjoyable event.

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Seniors Plan Skid

by Renee Tecklenburg

After much discussion and inquiries the Senior Class has decided to spend their skip days, April 29-May 1, in the Black Hills. We will be 'hosting a soup supper April 3 to raise some extra monev.

Our announcements have arrived, although they're not quite what we expected, so you can look for a stamp shortage soon.

A couple weeks ago the guidance counselor from Tripp High School visited us and gave us information on finances and how to apply for them.

We have approximately thirty days of school left.

SPRING CONCERT

cont'd from p.1 can exhibit a project and the shop class can also exhibit the projects they have made. The exhibits will be dosplayed in various rooms of the school.

MATH CONTEST

cont'd from p.2 and Delwyn Vreugdenhil in and Algebra II division; and Deb Eggers, Steve Beukelman, and Randy Olawsky in the Senior divisions. Let's support these people so we can show other people that Corsica High is a school of high scholastic achievement.

Soup Supper Date Changed Now To Be Held April 17

Mr. Graves Gives His Account On War

by Randy Dockendorf

April's rays of sunshine beam through the classroom window as the teacher gets ready for another trying day at Corsica High School. To his history and social studies students Mr. Ron Graves doesn't seem the type to bear any burdens, and seems to be the jovial type. On the other side, few students would link him to Vietnam, a faraway jungle known only through he news media. For Mr. Graves, the so-called 'conflict' carries many bad memories.

Mr. Graves was drafted in 1970 and was discharged in Jamuary, 1971. In that year he gained vivid impressions which leave sour feelings of our role in Southeast Asia. Mr. Graves' job in Vietnam was lab echnician in a hospital which housed more bodies than a y other in the nation. Being close to the battlefield, Mr. Graves describes his hospital as a "stopping-off" place where we received bodies blown apart by booby traps. I tested the blood for transfusions, and necessary surgery was performed to stabilize the patient, who was shipped to Saigon or Japan for better care (if they made it). Actually, we were nothing more than an assembly line where bodies came and went, because none stayed more than three days."

The Vietnamese society was disgusting disappointment filled with corruption, black market, prostitution, and drugs. "The pretty women served as prostitutes, while uglier ones worked with munitions." explains Mr. Graves. "Drugs were wide open. Pot could be bought like cigarettes, and heroin was available—only you never knew what you were getting."

Politically, the situation wasn't much better. "The Vietnamese didn't care who won—we were just there to profit from. We didn't even care. The whole waste was just to protect overseas American interests." In Mr. Graves opinion, all of Asia will eventually fall to the Communists.

Peace with honor? Detente? These phrases are empty words to Mr. Graves and fellow Veterans. After hearing such accounts, it may be worth while to re-examine our own values and foreign policy before fully committing ourselves.

Seniors Take Part by Steve Bamberg

On March 3 a group of energetic Seniors departed from Corsica High at 9:30 and went to the Court House in Armour. The day was a Government Day in which the seniors of Douglas County met ot learn about county government.

The day started with everyone meeting in the

courtroom to hear the chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Garian Van Roekel. introduce the board members and himself. Each county worker then introduced himself and told what kind of work ha ddes. In the afternoon the group that was assigned to a county officr went to that place and saw. the work and how he or she does their work. The day ended at three O'clock with everyone coming back to CHS.

Birthdate Has No

Sandy Beukelman

April Fool's Day has always been the day in which anyone and everyone can play one, two, or three practical jckes. The amount depends on the personality or brain capacity of the specified individual, upon whom the joke is being played. However, have you ever taken the title up another way, excluding the day? Take a moment and think to yourself April Fool. It sounds like a pretty good slam to those unlucky individuals who were born in the month of April.

Now we're not trying to imply that anyone born between the 1st and 30th of April is a fool; however, the saying does point towards the possibility. Let's look into this discovery and see if there is any real truth in the statement.

There are thousands born each year in April, four of which attend CHS as students (the names will not be mentioned to protect the innocent(). Do these fools (just a manner of speech there) walk, talk, or act Do they stick out funny? in a crowd or can you tell by sight that they might be a little bit odd? Maybe you have a sister of brother who was born under the ram or bull. Do they react differently to normal circumstances? If the answer to any of these pertinent questions was yes maybe this educated guess would become a fact, but who s to say for sure? It could have been a February, May, or September fool, too.

IDEAS DON'T WORK UNLESS YOU DO!

Big B's Offer Fun For All

by Dave Holstein

On the weekend of March 11, 12, and 13 the fortysecond annual State B's were held. It was a weekend of excitement, parties, sleep and just plain fun for all who attended. A person saw many new faces and some very exciting basketball games if you attended them. Otherwise, if you were tired of basketball you could gp to the "Y" and work out on the weight set they have, swim, play pool, or just relax. You could also test your skills at driving in the big city if you drove your own car, or you could wander around in the malls and do some shopping. you happen to attend all of the games in the "B" tourney you would have seen two surprise teams wind up in the championship game, Dell Rapids and Custer. The tourney resulted in: Dell Rapids, champions; Custer, runnerup; Freeman, third; Ipswich, fourth; Wilmont, fifth (consolation); Hamlin, sixth; and Agar and Andes Central tied for seventh. quite a weekend!

Olawsky Joins Elite Group

by Tami Hamburg

The CBH All-Conference Basketball team for the 1975-1976 season was announced on March tenth with Randy Olawsky selected from CHS Darwin Brouwer, received Honorable Mention.

The team is selected by all the conference coaches, and the coaches are not allowed to vote for their See ALL-Conference con't on page 6.

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Tracksters Dash Off To Good Start Polistein 6

On March 8 there was a boys! track meeting held in the Science Room. This year the boys are smaller in number than they have been in past years. There are seven lettermen returning this year. If the weather holds up so the guys can work on the road we should be pretty good in the open events. Those out this season are: Seniors: Mick Schrank, Don Schrank, and Kent Dockendorf; Juniors: Darwin Brouwer and Mark Noteboom; Sophomores: Ivan Brouwer and Tim Engelland; and Freshmen; Rod VanRoekel, Jeff Hamburg, Mark Bormann, Dave Buck, Troy Notegoom, Dwight Plooster, and Dwight DeVries. The track schedule for 1976 is as follows:

April April April April April April	7 10 13 20	Dan Lennon Relays Winner Relays Platte Relays Raider Relays Flyer Invitational Tyndall Relays	Vermillion Winner Platte Stickney Freeman Tyndall
May	1	Howard Wood Relays	Sioux Falls
May	5	CBH Conference	Mitchell
May	8.	Tri County Meet	Platte
May	. 8	Avon Relays	Avon
May	14	Region Meet	Mitchell
May	21	State Meet	Rapid City
May	22	State Meet	Rapid City
		by Debbie King	- , , , ,

Well, it's that time again. Track has started, along with all the hard work and the pains that go with it. Those girls enduring these aches and pains this year are: Juniors: Sandy Beukelman, Kathy Kuyper, and Diane Bordewyk. Sophmores: Laura Noteboom, Barb Peters, and Keren Vreug-Freshmen: Sheryl Beukelman, and Deb King. Eigth denhil. grade: Cindy Baier, Karen Brouwer, Suzanne Fisher, Kim Van Roekel, and Becky Weerheim. Seventh grade: Renee But all this hard work also adds up to track meets. Here is the schedule as it stands right now, and is subject to change at anytime.

April April April April	15 20	Bonesteel Invitational Kimball Duel Freeman Invitational Platte Invitational	Bonesteel Kimball Freeman Platte
May	5	CBH Platte Invitational Regional State Meet State Meet	Mitchell
May	8		Platte
May	14 ·		Mitchell
May	21		Rapid City
May	22		Rapid City

There are two track meets which have no date as of yet, Raiderette Relays and the Tyndall Relays.

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Driver's Education Class Gets Firsthand Experience

Many people who haven't had driver's education usually wonder what driver's ed. is really all about. Some of the stories of what the kids do while driving are sometimes unbelievable, so I'll give you a typical first day of driving in the driver's ed. car.

Before you even start the car, Mr. Wagner tells you the rules, which are:

- 1. Lock your door and make sure everyone else does too.
- 2. Put your seat belt on and tell the other passengers to put theirs on also.
 - 3. You can have candy but NO pop (because he doesn't like pop cans lying all over the floor).

After the rules you start the car and supposedly back out of the garage. The first day of driving you learn hand over hand steering by making corner after corner until you get it right. On the second day, you get to drive either to Platte, Armour, Stickney, Plankinton, New Holland, Harrison, or Mt. Vernon. Each time you drive an hour because every student has to have six hours of driving before they can get their final grade. You would think that Mr. Wagner would have to take nerve pills. Just think of going out and having to ride with someone who has never driven a day in their life, it would be pretty scary.

Driving usually never is boring because Mr. Wagner could practically write a book on what happens during everyday of driving. He said that he really does like the driving part of Driver's Ed. because without too much hair over his ears he hears plenty of the current events, latest parties and the latest town gossip.

Musical May Gan Progress

by Sheryl Beukelman

The cast and crew of the "Wizard of Oz" has been working hard for the past four weeks in order to make their presentation on April 8-9-16. Since the first rehearsal the cast has been working on their music and reading over their lines. Starting last week Friday the band and cast combined their efforts and put the production on stage.

The various crews have also been working on their jobs involved in putting on the musical; the stage crew on the sets, the publicity crew has been busy with posters, articles and other advertisements; the light crew starts work on the lighting at the end of the week. The make-up crew will also start work using newly-ordered make-up such as fake noses and green paint for the munchkins and various types of make-up for the other members.

The kids are working hard and looking forward to a very successful production. Remember the dates and make plans to attend.

ALL CONFERENCE

Cont. from p. 5 own boys

The rest of the team was made up of Doug odens; Stickney; Roy wilson, Plankinton; Bob Jacobson, Letcher; Bob parsons, Mt. Vernon; Ray Sundstrom, Artesian; Rich Hohn, Ethan; Mike Wiezorek, Stickney; Kevin Dahl, Artesian; and Ron Kristenson, white Lake.

Others on hon rable mention were Calvin Helmusm Stickney; Kevin Nowotony, White Lake; Earl Tripp, White Lake and Steve Endres Ethan.

The final records in the CBH conference were as follows; Stickney 7-1, White Lake 7-1, Plankinton 6-2, Corsica 5-3, Ethan 4-4, Letcher 3-5, Artesian 2-6, Kimball 1-7, and Mt. Vernon 1-7.

Yearly Epidemic Strikes by Connie Eversan

There is a bug going around, and no one is immune to the sometimes devastating results from its sting.

The epidemic may be referred to as Spring Fever, Although not fatal, it is very contagious and affects everyone alike—student, teacher, or administration.

Some symptoms to be noted are as follows: unattentiveness in classes, long and frequent "out of the window" stares, and of course, the "I don't need a coat" blues when you really do.

Watch out—the bug is out to get ya! if it hasn!t got ya! already.

Math Contest Has Students Figuring By Kathy Kayper

Spring is the time for many contest and the CBH Business Contest is one of them. Because Corsica is in the CBH, we are sending See BUSINESS CONTEST

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cont'd from p. 6 several students to battle for placings. The tests will be given at the Vo-Tech building in Mitchell, on April 8. Going for Typing I are Elaine Vanden Hoek, Ivan Brouwer, and Joy Uilenberg. Sandy Beukelman and Pam Engelland are competing in the Typing II division. Those going for bookkeeping are Cheryl Beukelman, Darwin Brouwer, and Kathy Kuyper. Competitors in shorthand are Bonnie De Boer and Debbie Groseth. Hopefully this will be the day the students can coordinate their little fingers and brains, with a little luck, and make a great show for CHS!

Bonics Not A Hoax

by Randy Dockendorf "Kissme, darling" whispers Steve into her bionic ear.

"Oh, sweetheart, I can't take my eyes off you," sighs Jaime as his bionic eye meets hers.

The two then jog equally and gracefully off into the sunset at a sixty mile an hour clip and wait for next week's exciting adventure.

"Sick!" you cry as the station gets changed. "How can they insult our intelligence? Batman and Robin make as much sense as that!"

Now wait a minute! The program may be corny, but believe it or not, bionics is one of a new set of medical breakthroughs available to citizens of the twenty-first century. According to WOW-radio (Omaha) the year 2000 will bring the following:

(1) Electronic arms and legs will be able to replace lost limbs.

Student's Work Pays Off Last Nine Week

by Tami Hamburg :

The Honor Roll for the third nine weeks period was announced by Mr. Anderson on March 18th. Those making the "A" Honor Roll are Randy Dockendorf, Randy Olawsky, Bonnie DeBoer, Steve Beukelman, and Deb Groseth, Seniors. The juniors were Darwin Brouwer and Kathy Kuyper. Ivan Brouwer and Denise Markus, for the Sophomores and Sheryl Beukelman and Connie Everson, freshmen.

The seniors making the "B" Honor Roll are Linda Van Genderen, Renee Tecklenburg, Deb Eggers, Brian Stredde, Pam Engelland, Karla Beukelman, Deb Bartelt, Steve Bamberg, Laura Vanden Hoek, Debbie Arlt, Doug Plooster, Carol Buck, Jim Reimmitz, and Todd Vander Pol. For the juniors Vera Hoekman, Cheryl Beukelman, Delwyn Vreugdenhil, Tami Hamburg, Sandy Beukelman, Wanda Oakland, and Gindy Bultje.

Scott Muckey, Joy Uilenberg, Elaine Vanden Hoek, Paulette Vanden Hoek, Colleen Olivier, Laura Noteboom, Karen Vreugdenhil, Steve Groseth, Doug Plooster, Barb Peters, Jean Bormann, Jim Olivier, and Londa Groeneweg, for the sophomores. The freshmen were Rose Drefs, Debbie King, Cheryl Bamberg, Dave Buck, Glenda Vanden Hoek, and Lori DeVries.

(2) Artificial eyes will help the blind see.

(3) Cancer will be eliminated and a solution to heart disease and reversing blood cholesterol will be found.

(4) Senility in old age can be stopped.

(5) A person's IQ can be raised permanently.

(6) A baby's sex can be changed before birth.

(7) Life expectancy will be 100 years.

Sound great? This is the solution to future problems. Now if only we could get rid of a present problem—namely "The Six-Million Dollar Man" and his "Bionic Women". Before we know it, next season we can look forward to "The Bionic Baby". Beware—programs are based on the public's wants and intelligence!

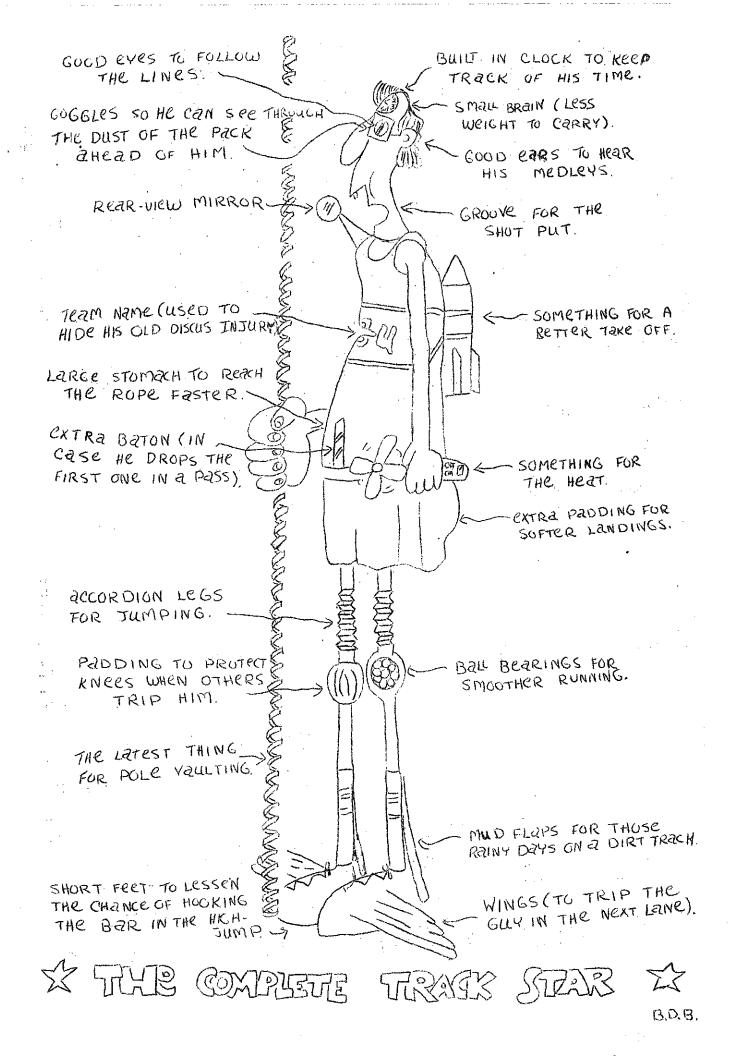
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Perfection by Tami Hamberg

As the third nine weeks came to an end 20 people didn't missa day of school for the whole nine week period. They were Randy Dockendorf, Randy Olawsky, Doug Plooster, Renee Tecklenberg, and Linda Van Genderen. seniors. Brouwer and Vera Hoekman, juniors. Jean Bormann, Ivan Brouwer, Londa Groeneweg, Steve Groseth, Denise Marcus, Dianne Menning, Phyllis Olawsky, Barb Peters, and Harlan Star, sopho-Bamberg, Cheryl mores. Mark Bormann, Dave Buck and Lori De Vries, freshmen.

School Is Not Out Keep Up Grades And Attendence



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by K.B 4 B.O.

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