

# **ACTIVITIES**





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SENIOR CLASS PLAY

Front row: I. Hillis, S. Leroux, R. MacKenzie, K. Kuggell. Back row: P. Ranney, M. Pease, D. Brown, R. Brown, I. Fischer, J. Mosman.

#### THE SENIOR PLAY

The Senior Play Reading Committee during our Junior Year selected "Dear Ruth" by Norman Krasna as the class play to be presented in the fall of our Senior year. Mr. Garnett and Miss Heagney conducted tryouts, cast the various roles, and produced

the play.

"Dear Ruth" is the comical tale of a high school senior, Miriam Wilkins (Karen Kugell), who writes letters during the second World War to overseas servicemen. Lt. William Seawright (Peter Ranney), and Harold Klopbbermeyer (Richard Brown). To these boys, Miriam sends a picture of her sister Ruth (Irene Hillis), who is engaged to a serious-minded banker, Albert Kummer (David Brown). The father, Harry Wilkins (Ronald Mac-Kenzie), a traffic court judge, and the one-track-minded mother, Edith Wilkins (Simone Le Roux) get mixed into the problem, while trying to straighten it out. Bill comes home to marry Ruth, and panic ensues. Along with Bill comes Sgt. Chuck Vincent (Irwin Fischer), the ex-fiance of Bill's sister, Martha (Judy Mosman). The captivating maid, Dora (Mardell Pease) adds more comedy to an amusing play. After a few amusing incidents such as Albert getting pushed off a train, trying to determine the difference be-

tween a closet and a bathroom, the truth is revealed. Chuck and Martha are married, and Ruth jilts Albert to marry Bill.

The play was substantiated by an eager Senior class, who rose to the occasion enthusiastically to give support. Ticket sales went very well, having been boosted by a publicity march from the Common to Natick High in the rain. The Seniors marched, armed with books, rain apparel and even a few beach umbrellas.

The cast worked hard during rehearsals, but found many amusing incidents to help them over the hard spots. The cast's twin brothers, fortunately, weren't identical. Had they been, only one could have been in the play. Another comical thought was that the "acting" father of the two girls was really younger than both. The hard work was worth all the pleasure it gave the cast to help the Senior class.

Mr. Harry Garnett and Miss Elizabeth Heagney, the play advisors worked very hard to produce the play. Without them the success of the play would have been impossible. They gave tirelessly of their efforts, and gave up much of their own time to

devote to our Senior Class.

















On Wednesday and Friday March 11, and 13 the students in the Science classes presented their projects to the public in the Gym. Unfortunately this year as last the weather kept some spectators away. However, there were many new and novel exhibits to interest old and young.

Robert Olshansky, a junior, was awarded the grand prize. His project, "An Analysis of Birefringent Media under Polarized Light," also won first prize in Chemistry. The Science Fair was sponsored by the Rotary International of Natick.



# **SCIENCE**







# **FAIR**

#### Other first prize winners included:

General Science	James Mannos
Biology	Beverly Hunter
Advanced Biology	Ronald MacKenzie
Physics	Gail Phillips

Gail Phillips, Natick's third place winner in the Massachusetts State Fair held at Rockwell Cage, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, April 24 - 26. Robert Olshansky won honorable mention.







## "THE COLONEL COMES TO KANSAS"

For the first time in many years, and for the first time in this auditorium, the music groups under the direction of Mr. Leo Bachini, assisted by Harry L. Garnett of the English Department as dramatic coach, presented a bright and sparkling musical production. Dancing, singing and comedy captivated an enthusiastic audience and all left with the hope that more of this type entertainment would be offered by future classes.

Presented on a stage that was most attractive and colorful, the performance got







under way promptly at 8:15 and for the next two and one-half hours such talented artists as Patricia Harcourt, Marilyn Mitchell, Sandra Chamberlain, Nancy Hunt, Mary Pierce, Bruce Connell, David Brown, David Lehan, Peter Ranney, Simone LeRoux, Ted Nelson, Jeffrey Hass, Beverly Ward, Barbara Montgomery, and Roberta Rogers kept the audience well entertained. They were ably assisted by the well-trained choruses and dance teams.







NATICK HIGH SCHOOL BAND



#### MUSIC DEPT. — BAND

The Natick High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Joseph LoPresti, had another successful year providing music for school functions. The marching band played at football games, rallies, the Transfer of Flag Ceremonies, and marched on Veterans' Day and Memorial Day. The concert band, playing concert music and broadway hits, played at assemblies and in the Music Festival. The 15-piece dance band was an equally great success playing in assemblies and accompanying the Musical. The orchestra also took part in the Music Festival, and played for graduation.





#### ACAPPELLA CHORUS

The Acappella chorus was directed under Mr. Bachini and accompanied by Barbara Montgomery.

On December 23 the annual Christmas Festival was held. The Senior Six: Marcia Burke, Sandra Chamberlain, Mary Pierce, Nancy Sullivan, Kris Kerr, and Mardell Pease made their appearance. Also the group called the Junior Jills: Marsha Webb, Beverly Ward, Diane Young, Eileen Parsons, Marcia Thompson and Merryl Donley appeared. These two groups are accompanied by Bob Carroll.

On January 15, the choral assembly included Acappella, Girls Chorus, Boys Chorus, Senior Six, and Junior Jills.

The musical comedy "The Colonel Comes To Kansas" was on March 6. The Acappella Chorus accompanied the soloists and the Dance Band offered background music.

The music festival in April included all choruses, band, orchestra and dance band.

The Acappella Chorus and Girls Chorus attended Wakefield High School in the annual exchange music assemble.

The Senior Chorus sang at Graduation.





THE DOUBLE SEXTETTE



BAND CONCERT





1958 Junior Prom





1958 Christmas Cotillion





### **CHEERLEADERS**

Personality, precision, and pertness can well describe the best group of cheerleaders N.H.S. has ever had, the 58 - 59 squad! This group is the first squad that cheered the hockey team on to victory by performing on skates in the Boston Arena.

Their personality really shined during the football season, always there cheering the team on to victory.

Precision stood out during the basketball season

with all those difficult cheers.

To cheer on ice took courage but these girls did just that. Pert, as ever, looking like pros.

The squad this year consisted of: Diane Campisi, Carol Hawkins, Peggy Keaney, Peggie Kilroy, Pat Morgan, Patti Perry, Charlene Pinkham, Marsha Webb and Ruthann Meagher, with Jean Ghilani as their capable leader.

