

Blanche Shaut Hockey Captain



Raymond Baynard Football Captain



Robert B. Woodruff Coach



William Stark Wrestling Captain



Jack Hemenway Track Captain

The Sports Program

"All right boys, twice around the field," shouted Principal, alias Coach Robert Woodruff. The perspiring boys of the Van Hornesville Central School football squad started their tiresome gait around the football field, which appeared much larger than ever before.

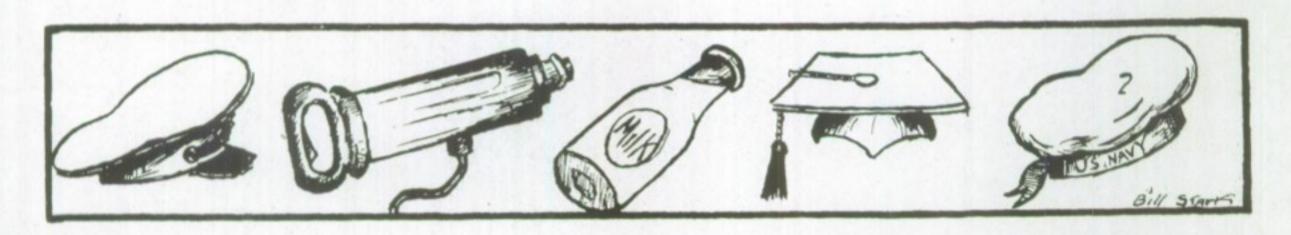
Although the boys may not always enjoy the grueling calisthenics, or various running exercises which they are required to do, it is to their utmost advantage. By these strenuous exercises, all their stiff joints and the muscles in their bodies are loosened up, which helps to prevent any serious injuries while playing football. Each individual is taught the art of tackling and blocking, important in both defensive and offensive playing. Split second timing and cooperation is required of each individual in order to make the desired play turn out successfully. A team's success depends greatly on plays that are properly functioned.

At the other end of the field, sharp cracks could be heard ringing through the crisp autumn air. The girls' hockey team which was under the supervision of Miss Edna Austin were again exchanging blows with their hockey sticks. Many times a determined young lady exhibited a mighty swing at the swift little ball, but was soon disappointed when she realized that her extreme vitality did little to stop the oncoming ball. Although there were only a few hockey games scheduled, the girls remained victorious throughout the season.

When outdoor sports were no longer possible, the familiar word "wrestle," and the thud of bodies striking the mat resounded as the VHS wrestling team shaped into condition and learned its holds. When a wrestler clashes with his opposing rival, he must use his knowledge, ability, and strength to outwit his determined rival.

The present world conflict with its shortage of gasoline and tires, created a depression in the sports scope of this school. Teams which were to encounter other schools were transported to their engagements by cars driven by Principal Woodruff and other teachers, who were generous in cooperating in the sports effort.

The fact that all available manpower is required to serve our country, physical instructors are a great necessity to the armed forces. With the help of Principal Woodruff, who has taken the position of coaching, the students of VHS have had an opportunity to carry on some of the sports which are important in the morale of the school and the physical condition of future fighters.



FOOTBALL

Left to right, first row—John Herron, William Stark, Raymond Baynard, captain, Peter Wichowsky, Chester Janczuk, Joseph Hubiak. Second row—Louis Richvalsky, Sigie Ucasz, Donald Yule, Robert Barrett, Jack Hemenway, Albert Putnam. Third row—Gordon Ostrander, Stanley Wichowsky, Ralph Mead, William Sywetz, Carlton Dingman.



WRESTLING

Left to right, first row—Sigie Ucasz, Robert Barrett, William Stark, William Sywetz, Carlton Dingman. Second row—John Hubiak, Albert Putnam, Peter Wichowsky, Leland Collins.