

Come Ye All—Hear the  
"Chimes of Normandy"  
Ring

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Better Be Good!  
Only 9 More Days Until  
Christmas Vacation!

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## MYSTERY CARNIVAL OF STUDENT CLUB ATTRACTS CROWD

Booths, Shows, Fortune  
Telling Are Popular  
With Students

### HELD SATURDAY

Teachers and Girls Work  
All Day in Y. W. C. A.  
Gymnasium

Babbling voices, tripping feet, excited laughter, tinkling glasses, popping balloons, and the strains of melodious music blending together formed a festive, joyous atmosphere at the Mystery Carnival given by the Student Club girls at the Y. W. C. A. last Saturday from 1 to 11, to raise money for their club.

Miss Mary A. Parker, faculty advisor, and Frances Hendrickson, student general manager, have been working on the carnival, the biggest affair given by the Student Club, for two months and have been aided by many committees and sub-committees.

#### Gym Is Delight

Black magic, a circular staircase, a mystic maze, a regular roller coaster slide, candy, pop corn, and novelty booths were the attractions found in the Gym. Decorations were carried out in black, white and purple. Miss Julia Carlson and Miss Mary Jorden, teachers, and Betty Lee Fradenberg were in charge of this floor.

The balcony with its Bozo and Bodo Oracle, Cake and Coffee, and Novelty booths was in charge of Miss Bess Bozell and Ruth Willard.

Dancing Attracts Many  
Dancing in the auditorium lured many to the second floor. Music was furnished free by an orchestra composed of James Leary, piano; Billy and Charles Cox, saxophones, and John Sharp, drums. Hot Dog and Punch booths, a shooting gallery, fortune telling, and a side show offered enticements to those

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## MIDLAND MAGAZINE EDITOR LECTURES AT MASTERS' HOME

Professor John T. Fredrick, of the University of Iowa, editor of the Midland literary magazine of the middle west, lectured in Omaha last week. He spoke on "Literary Appreciation" at the home of Principle J. G. Masters, and on "American Literature in the Middle West" at the Unitarian church.

The Midland magazine is published for the purpose of encouraging literature and writers in the middle west. A story by Mrs. J. G. Masters was published in the December issue.

## Purple and White Handbook Issued Free to Students

Finally the long looked for and eagerly anticipated Purple and White Handbooks are in the student's possession. Each student received a handbook free during home room last week.

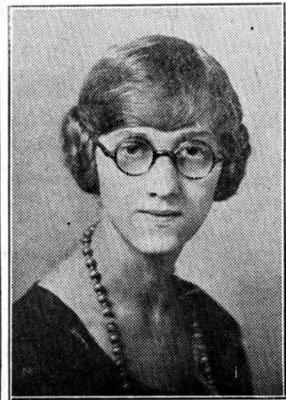
The Purple and White Handbook is all that it was promised to be and more. Its convenient size and large amount of information about everything interesting to both high school students and the faculty such as, courses offered at Central, activities, scholarships, college entrance requirements, Central's faculty, growth of Central, board of education makes it very acceptable to those who feel any interest in Central high.

This handbook, the first of its kind, in Central and in the city, was compiled by The Weekly Register Staff of the fall of 1923. A new book will probably be published in about two years.

## Miss Towne Reads Play

Miss Jessie Towne, assistant principal and dean of girls, read parts of St. Joan, a play, at the Drama League meeting in the Burgess-Nash auditorium last Friday.

## TO PLAY GERMAINE HEROINE IN OPERA



—Matsuo Photo  
ALICE MAE CHRISTENSEN

Alice Mae Christensen, who has the part of the heroine, Germaine, in the opera, "The Chimes of Normandy," is the president of the Senior Girls' Glee Club. She has a beautiful soprano voice, which has often been heard over KFCZ, the Central high school radio.

## Senior Girl Wins Prize for Story

Frances Elliott Receives  
Loving Cup for Writing  
Feature Article

Frances Elliott '24, present Sport Editor of The Weekly Register, won a silver loving cup for the girl's prize feature story, in the recent Boulder Conference, sponsored by the girls' sorority of the University of Colorado. The winning school had to be a member of the Rocky Mountain Press Association.

"It was a complete surprise, that's all I can say," said Frances when she was asked about her feelings concerning the matter.

The story is entitled "Nebraska's Hall of Fame," and concerns the great personages that Nebraska has produced. It tells of Dr. Harold Gifford, John G. Neihardt, the poet laureate of Nebraska, Dr. Gilder, and Willa Cather, and what these people have done to make Nebraska's Hall of Fame.

Frances Elliott wrote this feature story in Journalism I for the feature story assignment, and then submitted it to the contest. She is a member of Central Committee, Press Club, the O-Book staff, the Register staff, and the Junior Honor Society.

## Miss Verda Williams' Girls Display Work Downtown

Articles revealing skill and study of hand-painting, painting, wood-blocking, and stenciling were displayed by Miss Verda Williams' design class on December 6, 7, 8 in a window of The Pattern Shop at Sixteenth and Farnam.

For weeks, the girls have been working to complete the display, which included trays, scarfs, hats, runners, and many similar articles.

According to Miss Verda Williams, the course in design is a thorough drill in the theory and practice of color as applied to home beautifying and dress design problems.

## Students Should Support Movies, Says O. J. Franklin

Not a bobbed-haired girl! Strange, indeed, but such was the case in the movie, "Yankee Doodle Jr.," which was presented Wednesday afternoon at the C. H. S. auditorium. And that isn't all. There was the regulation handsome hero with an abundant supply of pep, a beautiful senorita (with long hair), a handsome and dastardly villain, a revolutionary plot, followed by our American hero, and lots more. Fireworks at night proved a good chance for some exceptional color filming, also.

In spite of the beauty and entertaining ability of the picture, however, the proceeds did not even cover expenses, according to O. J. Franklin, movie chairman. "We need the support of the student body to keep these movies going as they have in the past," he said.

## Register Reporter Gets Confidential Interview From Shakespearean Actor

Sitting on a trunk in a deserted dressing-room, genial, friendly, and at times carrying his dramatic character into real life, Fritz Leiber (pronounced Liber), the only actor now playing a Shakespearean repertoire, made the astounding statement, "There are a lot of crazy people on the stage," when interviewed last Monday afternoon among scenery and stage props at the Brandeis theater. According to Mr. Leiber, one doesn't need any qualifications to be an actor. "You can say that you're an actor, even if you have a part in which you merely walk across the stage," said the real actor, who played in Omaha from Monday till Wednesday of last week.

Fritz Leiber thinks there isn't any "kick" in just reading Shakespeare—his plays are to be seen and enjoyed as entertainment, and not considered merely for education.

"Shakespeare wrote for the stage. He wasn't thinking of what people would read and say about him in schools and universities three hundred years later," he said. "His plays are full of action—they are complete even without words, and the genius of Shakespeare from the educational standpoint is his beautiful verses, his exquisite language, and his diction.

This earnest, laughable man who so attracts one by his congenial personality doesn't like Valentino. "Rudy" is a "ninny," he thinks, although he doesn't want his views spread around.

Mr. Leiber and Valentino disagree as to the latter's acting ability. And

## Central Debaters Even Up Scores

Win Affirmative, Lose Negative Unanimously in Contests With Lincoln

When Central's affirmative debaters took a three to nothing decision from the Lincoln negative team last Friday evening in the Central auditorium, they evened up a three to nothing defeat which they received from the Capitol City speakers the same afternoon at Lincoln. This dual debate ended the second round of debates in the Mississippi Valley league.

Lawrence Mollin, Catherine Southard, and James Mason composed the Central negative team which lost to the Lincoln team, Douglas Timmerman, Reginald Miller, and Paul Marti.

The evening debate showed some of the best talent of both schools. Edward Brown and David Fellman alone made a strong team, and Sam Minkin in the rebuttal twisted the Lincoln arguments to the point of absurdity. Gordon Hager, who is considered the Lincoln Star debater, spoke convincingly, while Perry Morton and Charles Bruce ably supported him.

The debate at Lincoln was judged by C. L. Clark, F. A. Williams, and W. A. Selliek, all of that city. Fred Hellner, and Richard Missner, both Omaha attorneys, and William Phillips, of the Federal Reserve Bank, judged the debate at Central.

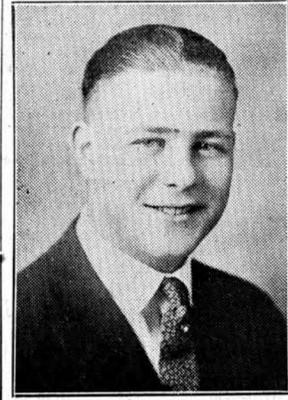
## 229 Is 100% in Banking

First to become one hundred percent in home room banking is J. W. Lampman's room, 229. For several weeks they have been working to attain this distinction.

## CALENDAR

Thursday, December 11—  
Meeting of the Junior HI-Y at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:00.  
Friday, December 12—  
Meeting of the Senior HI-Y at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:00.  
Debate with South high school.  
Meeting of the Mathematics Society at 3:00.  
Monday, December 15—  
Hockey practice at 32nd and Dewey at 3:00.  
Gym Club meeting in 415 at 3:00.

## HAS LEADING ROLE OF LOST MARQUIS



—Matsuo Photo  
VOLCOTT SWIFT

Volcott Swift will take the part of the hero of the opera "The Chimes of Normandy," which will be given by the Senior Glee Clubs on Friday and Saturday. Volcott has been in Senior Boys' Glee Club for four years and has taken part in "Captain Crossbones," "Mam-zelle Taps," and the "Bohemian Girl."

## Annual and Paper Place in Contest

O-Book and Register Graded  
In First Division by  
Press Association

The Weekly Register and last June's O-Book each won a diploma for their general excellence in the national contest conducted by the Central Interscholastic Press Association at Madison, Wis., Nov. 28-29. Nearly 1,000 delegates from all parts of the United States attended the convention.

The Southerner from the South high school, Minneapolis, Minn., was the all American cup winner selected from the seven All American newspaper winners. The Quiverian annual from Kansas City, Mo., was selected as the All American cup winner among the annuals.

Both The Weekly Register and the O-Book were rated in the first division, second class. The North Star, North high's paper was placed in the second division, second class. The Lincoln Advocate, Lincoln high's paper and The Tech Daily News were rated in the first division, third class.

A total of 254 high school papers, 203 annuals, and 53 magazines were entered in this national contest. The total number of papers, annuals, and magazines were separated into four

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## French Cross Word Puzzles Make Entrance in Central

"O, do you know the cross word fiend, who writes his puzzles in French?"

Yes, indeed! And Central has two of these budding geniuses. Their great ability was displayed in Miss Bess Bozell's VII Hour French IV class. Cross word puzzles wholly composed of French words with even the explanation of the puzzle written in French were composed by Tony Kuznit '25 and Harry Fisher '27, members of the French class.

"It's more interesting and easier to write puzzles in French," said Tony, who has written two French cross word puzzles.

The VII Hour French class has been trying to work the two puzzles which were drawn on the blackboard by the boys, but so far neither puzzle has been completely solved.

## Book Given by D. A. R. Has Important Facts for Citizens

A valuable little book, "Facts for Patriots" by Clyde Davis Connelly, has been presented to Central high school by the Major Isaac Sadler Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The book, which has been passed on to the school library by Principal J. G. Masters, contains interesting and important facts about the Government, the Flag, the Army, and the Navy.

## HAUNTED CASTLE PLAYS BIG PART IN COMIC OPERA

Baffling Plot of "Chimes of  
Normandy" Concerns  
Old Chateau

### GIVEN THIS WEEK

Mrs. Pitts and Miss Lena  
May Williams Direct  
the Production

Lovers, French peasants, ghosts, and misers, these are the characters around which the charming story of the opera, "The Chimes of Normandy," is woven. This comic opera will be presented by the Senior Glee Clubs on the nights of December 12 and 13, and on Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Carol Marhoff Pitts, director of the Senior Glee Clubs, is training the voices, and Miss Lena May Williams is in charge of the action of the opera cast of ninety-five people.

#### The Marquis' Return

In the first act, Henri, the long lost Marquis of Corneville, returns to his native town, and finds that a hiring fair is in progress. Gaspard, an old miser who was left in charge of the Marquis' estate, has hoarded his gold in the castle, and has taken advantage of the superstitious villagers by playing the ghost, thus spreading the story that the castle is haunted.

Gaspard desires his niece, Germaine to marry the old Bailiff whom she does not love. Germaine feels herself under obligation to Jean Grenicheux, a scoundrelly young fisherman, because of his claim of once having saved Germaine from drowning. Serpolette, a gossip and mischief-maker, and former sweetheart of Grenicheux, is ridiculed by the village girls, when she believes herself of noble birth. She is threatened by Gaspard when she gossips of him, and so, with Grenicheux and Germaine, who is escaping from marriage with the Bailiff, she is hired by the Marquis. An old legend is told that when the heir, the Marquis de Corneville, returns, the chimes will ring.

#### Gaspard Discovered

Henri, leading a band of villagers, decides to investigate the ghost affair, and so goes to the haunted castle. Some papers are discovered that indicate that Serpolette is the Marchioness de Lucenay, who was abandoned in the fields of Corneville when a child. Gaspard is discovered with his hoard of gold, and as the chimes ring out, he goes mad.

#### Germaine the Real Marchioness

As a fitting ending to the opera, Gaspard recovers his reason and discloses that Germaine and not Serpolette is the real Marchioness. Grenicheux's claim over Germaine is broken when Henri proves that he, and not the fisherman, saved Germaine's life. The chimes then joyfully ring out as wedding bells for the Marquis and Germaine.

## NEW COMMITTEES WILL START WORK AFTER CHRISTMAS

Two new faculty committees, appointed last week by the office to replace present committees, will begin to function after Christmas. Miss D. Davies is chairman of the Mass Meeting Committee, and Miss Lella Bon is chairman of the Home Room Committee.

The other members of the Mass Meeting Committee are the Misses Anna Adams, G. Clark, Nell Randall, Helen Scott, and Edna Stewart, and Mesdames Campbell and Craven; the other members of the Home Room Committee are the Misses B. Fry, Sarah Ryan, and Emma Ure, and Senior Reyna.

The Mass Meeting Committee will enroll and supervise carefully all mass meetings, and approve the programs at least twenty-four hours in advance. The Home Room Committee will schedule dates and supervise and direct home room activities.

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**MOVIES AND EDUCATION**

How often have movies been blamed for unlearned lessons? It is so much more interesting and agreeable to look at a motion picture than to work over historical dates, campaigns, or formulae. Indeed, no one can deny that there is a difference between the thrill of an evening spent viewing such a film as "Captain Blood" and that of one spent digging out Caesar's campaigns. However, thrills next day in class are in inverse ratio.

Realizing the attraction of motion pictures, educators are utilizing films in the classroom, and making the camera a help instead of a hindrance. The Harvard "Chronicles," a set of films being prepared by Harvard University and dealt with American history, are as enthralling as any "blood-and-thunder" melodrama. If this plan succeeds, the movies will be supplementary to every course.

Speed the day when all lessons are presented after the manner of animated ads, and figures come galloping across the screen to arrange themselves in perfect order, and chemical formulae miraculously appear in Dr. Senter's regulation "ten seconds!" But until that happy time comes, students, perforce, must prepare their lessons first and go to the movies afterwards.

Have you heeded the call of the "Chimes of Normandy?"

**THE PLIGHT OF OLDER NEWSIES**

Pitiable—this was the term used for years to describe the poor, ragged, sniffing, little news fellows. They, as Dickens and older authors often wrote, were poor lads who were beaten, starved, and poorly clothed. If one may judge by the external appearances, this condition has passed in Omaha. However, there is a real cause to be stressed in the great number of old and crippled newsies. Necessity demands that they support themselves and their families. From all appearances their earnings are highly inadequate.

These poor souls, undernourished and poorly clothed, have to compete with their more youthful and appealing co-workers to make a trifling income. In Omaha there are seldom over three or four editions. Seldom do they sell over thirty-five papers of each edition, often less. Their work is not easy, not certain. Their lungs and voices are not capable of the volume of a youngster's. How could a crippled man, a woman, either, compete with healthy boys in the hustle-bustle of selling extras? They are contending with Child Labor, a national question of great import. Should they have such competition? Not in such circumstances. Not in a time of unemployment.

Though this is a commercial age favoring youth, one would do well to favor and to aid these struggling individuals.

Br-r! The weather man is playing politics. He insists that we keep cool with Coolidge.

**FOUR FLOORS AND A BASEMENT**

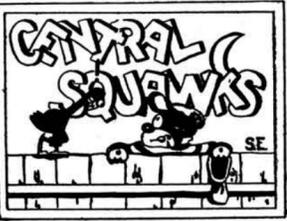
Four floors and a basement with a long way between the floors (and a doubly long way when one is hurrying down to lunch) is the average student's conception of Central high school as a building. To freshmen, "the school on the hill" offers much of interest, but—

How many upperclassmen can find the ice water machine, the ventilating system, the tunnel beneath the school, the apparatus that regulates the clocks, or even the boiler and power room? How many have noticed the old equipment in the passageway between 435 and the south gym? Have you?

"The College of Yale of China has been recognized as a full-fledged school of learning."—News item. Who says the Chinese aren't becoming westernized? With football and revolutions the Orientals are enjoying all the bloodshed offered by modern civilization.

According to recent figures compiled, the number of automobiles in the United States is 10,959,571, while the number of women of voting age was 26,759,952. The Raditor Man concludes that is about two and one-half chickens for every coupe.

The more that some men think they are worth, the more worthless they become.



Great minds run in the same channel, but great noses don't run in the same handkerchief.

And that's nothing to blow about.

If a man says he won fifty dollars in a poker game, he's lucky.

If he says he quit when he was fifty to the good, he's wise.

If he says he came right home without having a drink or two he's a super-man.

But, if he says he gave the whole fifty to his wife, he's a liar.

I will now render, "If the lip sticks around till the face powders its nose, will the grease paint?"

There once was a fella named Ooze, Who often his slippers would looze, And he was sore pressed, Because half undressed, He was, when he took off his shooses.

According to the papers slang is being added to the new dictionaries. Thirty years from now an interview in The Weekly Register will sound like this:

**ACTOR GIVES KNOCKDOWN**

Reporter Crashes Gate of Baron Waste

Baron Waste the famous ham who has had his mug in the Police Gazette more times than Jack Dempsey, and who is murdering the innocent audiences at the Brandeis this week in the soul stirring play, "Why Wash Your Neck When There's Plenty of Cold Cream," was warming a chair in a swell dump at the Fontenelle hangout when Yours Truly was brushed in.

Being a half-wit by birth and a dumbell by habit, and not thinking of any wise-crack the same fell back on the old reliable, "What do you think of this country?"

B. W. expectorates in the general direction of the gaboon not being careful to call his shots since he has plenty of filthy lucre and could get away with cold slaughter. "How did you know I was a foreigner?" says he.

"Oh, I could tell that first off," says I "by the fact that you don't wear socks, by the way you hold your mouth, and by the absence of buttons on your vest. You foreigners are so different."

"Very clever," says he, "but I was born in Council Bluffs."

"I knew I was right!" I busted out. Whereupon I found myself parked in the hall in a most unconventional position with a morbid opinion in regards to tempermental actors and especially foreign ones.

Some people are so low that if they wanted to hang themselves all they'd have to do is tighten their shoestrings.

And say if there is any boy who don't know what vanishing cream looks like just come down to the cafeteria during lunch period.

Physical Culturists claim that for every half hour spent in a shower bath a pound is lost. This discovery would be a great benefit to mankind if some of these habitual borrowers would go in and stay for a week.

What's wrong with this sentence? The students then repaired to their respective class rooms to receive their A's.

I useta know a little cut-up, He cut-up too much one day, Backed into a plate glass window, He's still a little cut up they say.

Suggestion for a bread advertisement.  
Oh Baby! Oh Baby! Don't say bread, say Betsy Ross!

And it turned out that the student who was so pale sixth hour only had cake with white frosting for lunch.

Yeh! He was frosting at the mouth.

Say did ya know that the difference between tired feet and rested feet is just one care-plug?

Well, excuse me while I go give the gold fishes their bath.

—SCOTTY.

**FOUND IN UNCLE PETER'S MAIL BOX**

Dear Uncle Peeter:

Been some time sence I rit ta you but then time flees as do the little birdies.

I have been doin several things which I have not did before. Fer instance last week after putting on my hat and coat, I rolled over to North High ta see what it looked like n' believe me its sure some place. It's big, so I had no difficulty findin it, but I had ta get used ta several things such as the stairways bein enclosed with doors at the top an bottom. I understand that these doors are put there so in case of fire they would be safe fer the kids ta run down, which is I. K. with me. While wandeeing around the halls I seen several family persons which made me feel well night to home.

Sence football games has stopped, I have to find a new okupation fer Sat. afternoons. I have not found one yet with so much kick in it as football.

I trust you are in your usual healthful state so's ta stand the Christmas rush which has no doubt started by this time. I can already see Si Smith whizzin past your house bout 20 per on his old hoss ta get the citron Ma Smith forgot fer her fruit caks, and little Johnnie Jones willingly cleanin up the sidewalk.

Till I see you again,  
ME.

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. Irene Jensen, music teacher, entertained her History of Music class at her home recently.

Carmen Lewis '25, formerly sergeant-at-arms of the Mathematics club, is now attending South high school.

Members of Miss Mary Angood's VI hour class are making their own Christmas cards and book plates by block printing.

Donald Bollard, formerly a sophomore at Lincoln high school, is now attending Central. His father, Donald C. Bollard, is a graduate of Central.

Miss E. Van Sant Jenkins, who is a former teacher of English at Central, and who is now connected with the National Headquarters of the Y. W. C. A., visited Central last week.

Frances McVey '27 returned Thursday from Illinois, where she spent her Thanksgiving vacation.

Mrs. Ferdinand Smith, grandmother of Franklin Smith '26, died recently. Mrs. Smith, who was 87, played the piano for an Omaha radio program shortly before her death.

Ernest Steel '27 and Frances Lemmon '25 have dropped school.

Hills Knisley '28, Dorothy Graham '28, and Lillian Keating '27 have been absent for a week due to illness.

Miss Bessie E. Shackell, Latin teacher, is very ill with a severe cold. Mrs. William Burton has been substituting for her.

A luncheon was given for the Misses Bess I. Dumont, executive secretary at Central, Louise Stegner, English teacher, Margaret Bartlett, Harriet Mueller, and Mrs. J. M. Hendrie by Mrs. George T. Morton at the University Club Friday, December 5, in honor of the common birthday, last Wednesday, of the five guests.

Mrs. J. H. Dumont, mother of Miss Bess Dumont, entertained at a birthday party at her home for the Misses Bess Dumont and Louise Stegner on last Wednesday evening. Each of the honor guests was given a birthday cake with one large candle.

**ALUMNI**

D. L. Dimond '23 has been awarded the Henry Christian scholarship at Yale University.

George McBride '23 is a member of the Blade and Scabbard, an honorary military fraternity at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., where he is attending school.

Among the University of Nebraska students who spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Omaha were Judd Crocker '23, Jean Hall '23, Margaret Robinson '23, and Elice Holovitchiner '23.

Wilmer Beerle '22 and Gilbert Reynolds '23 are trying out for the basketball team at the University of Nebraska, where they both attend school.

Joe Drozda '23 has received highest scholastic honors in Creighton pre-Medic college.

**THE MEMOIRS OF A MADISON DELEGATE**

Thursday evening, Nov. 27—Some crowd at the station to see us off. Got loads of candy and letters to take along.

Friday—Arrived in Madison this morning. Welcomed by C. I. P. A. reception committee. Rushed to meetings all afternoon. Had half an hour to scramble into clothes for the grand banquet. Laughter and fun at the vaudeville show following banquet. And then, heavenly bliss at the carnival ball. Ball was everything it should be—only more so.

Saturday—Saw something of the town this morning. More meetings. Just caught the train tonight. Shoot! Why couldn't we have missed it. Had kept time on train coming home.

Sunday—Arrived in Omaha. How familiar!

**OTHER SCHOOLS**

Fifty-three students play on the Lewis and Clark Orchestra, Spokane. Since 1915, the orchestra has grown from nine members to its present size.—The Lewis and Clark Journal.

Charles M. Courbain, noted organist, played two concerts on the Lewis and Clarke pipe-organ, Monday, November 24. The Lewis and Clark Instrument is the largest and best in the Inland Empire.—Lewis and Clark Journal.

**PAUL ALTHOUSE, TENOR, ADMITS HIS INTEREST IN CROSS-WORD PUZZLES**

"Cross word puzzles are taking up all my time now," laughed Paul Althouse, tenor, who gave a recital last Thursday night with the Associated Male Chorus at the Brandeis Theater. According to Mr. Althouse, Webster's Dictionary has become the best seller of the year because of these puzzles.

Mr. Althouse has the distinction of being the youngest Metropolitan opera singer ever to make his debut in a leading role, for he sang "Boris" at the age of twenty.

He began his career as a singer at the age of six, when he sang in a boy's choir in Reading, Pennsylvania. "Choir singing is the best training a singer can have," he said. "It gives one practice in sight-reading that cannot be equaled."

Mr. Althouse was with the Metropolitan opera for ten years after his debut at the age of twenty. During the last two years, he has been making concert tours. On this trip, he is going from New York to Vancouver and back again.

Mr. Althouse, who is a large well-built man, has a charming personality and has the slightest trace of a New York accent in his speech. When interviewed, he was about to brave the unwelcoming slush to make the rounds of the city, and so wore a heavy gray coat and hat, and a grey silk muffler to protect his voice for the evening.

On one hand, he wore an unusual diamond ring, which he calls his "get-back-home" ring, for, he explained, "If I ever lose my wallet, I can always hock my ring to get back to New York."

"How can a date get a date with another date?" That is the question, as least so as John Trout sees it. And so Johnny answered that it all depended on the girl.

"I'll bet that the boys who say they hate women most, are the ones that love them the most," remarked Mr. Chatelain. Edward Brown, Charles Haas, and Fred Larkin piped up, "Gee, but we hate girls."

Why Mr. Reed's puzzled looks at Charles Haas' ankles at the debate banquet?

Fred Lemere seems to get a lot out of putting snow down people's backs, 'specially girls.

And Arthur Green doesn't know what a T. L. is. Did you ever?

Dox wants to know if you've heard about the panic. We wonder what it's all about?

**CHAFF**

**The Missing Chinks**  
Three Chinese laundrymen there were,  
Who tolled the livelong day;  
Then one broke down from overwork  
And went insane, they say.  
His brethren deemed it very wise  
To take him down the track  
And put him in the mad house  
Till his wits he should get back.  
A fast express roared by just then  
And through the trio cut;  
That evening on the tracks were found  
Two washers and a nut!  
—Blair Breeze.

Father: "What is worrying you, son?"  
Jack Adams: "I was just wondering how many legs you had to cut off a centipede to make him limp."  
—The X-Ray.

A man in a mental hospital sat dangling a piece of stick, with a string attached, over a flower bed. A visitor approached and wishing to be affable, remarked: "How many have you caught?"  
"You're the ninth," was the unexpected reply.—The X-Ray.

Life is just one darn thing after another, and love is just two darn things after each other.—The X-Ray.

Whattodoyouthink—"Why are girls like spaghetti?"  
Guess—"I don't know."  
W—"When you think you have them, they slip away."—West High Weekly.

Professor (meeting his class for the first time) "And on this paper I want your names, not your signatures."—The Creighton Prep.

**YOUTH**

Oh lightly dancing, tripping toe,  
All clad in satin, lace, and bow,  
How nimble, graceful, quick you are,  
You twinkle like an evening star.  
How skillfully you frisk and spring,  
A tiny, light, fantastic thing.  
You twirl, you twist, you cut a caper,  
You skip about as light as paper.  
And just as buoyant, brisk, and perk,  
As if all life were void of work,  
As if the world were built on play,  
As if there'd never come a day,  
When you must labor, quit your fun,  
When you must bravely face the gun,  
When you must staunchly march along,  
With smiling lips and plucky song,  
For this you will, for this you must,  
'Tis only right; 'tis only just,  
That you, my youth, must take your share,  
And justly earn your humble fare  
on Earth.  
—Virginia Powell '24.

Prizes for the best articles on "Why Girls Should Take Home Economics in Their High School Course" are offered to students of Los Angeles high, California, by the Home Economics Department. The contest is open to both boys and girls.—Blue and White.

The Spotlight, East Denver high, Colorado, was judged the best high school paper entered in the Rocky Mountain Press Association.—The Spotlight.

## Dual Debate Results in Tie

### Affirmative Teams of Iowa and Nebraska Win in Both Debates

The debate teams of Thomas Jefferson high school tied the debate teams of Central high school in the dual debate on Tuesday, November 25 at 3:15 and 7:30 in the Thomas Jefferson and Central high school auditoriums respectively on the question: "Resolved, that the United States should enter the League of Nations." The affirmative team of Thomas Jefferson defeated the negative team of Central, while Central's affirmative team defeated the Thomas Jefferson negative team.

In the afternoon debate, Central's negative team, which consists of Henry DeLong, Leona Pollack, and James Mason, debated with the Thomas Jefferson affirmative team, whose members are Irene Rosen, Alberta McKenny, and Elmer Ogren.

**Attorneys Are Judges**  
J. A. Williams, Council Bluffs attorney, R. E. Hines, Omaha attorney, and E. A. Groover of the Iowa School for the Deaf, were the judges in the first debate at which F. J. Paluka, teacher in the Thomas Jefferson high school, presided. The Thomas Jefferson orchestra played two selections before the debate.

**Affirmative Team Victors**  
Sam Minkin, Edward Brown, and David Fellman, Central's affirmative team, were victorious in the debate with Thomas Jefferson negative team, James Buickma, Ernest Olson, and Grace Kolb.

Charles Swanson, Council Bluffs attorney, Winthrop Lane and Walter R. Johnson, Omaha attorneys, were the judges in the evening debate at which Principle J. G. Masters presided.

## CENTRAL'S O-BOOK GIVEN LOVING CUP FOR EXCELLENCE

Central's O-Book of 1924 was rated first in nine states in the Year Book Editors' conference held the last of November at Boulder, Colorado. The Weekly Register won a ribbon for first place in inside make-up and rated fourth in class A at the same conference. A large silver loving cup will be awarded to Central for the O-Book by the Coloradoan, the year book of the University of Colorado, and a first place ribbon given by Sigma Delta Chi, a professional journalistic fraternity, has been received.

**Editor Is Graduate**  
Glady's Reynolds '24 was the editor of the winning annual, and Miss Elizabeth White, instructor in journalism, was the faculty sponsor.

"Congratulations! The book is outstanding as a high school annual. More power to you in putting out the publication for 1925." This is what G. E. Helmer, chairman of the High School Editors' Conference committee, said of the O-Book in a letter received last week.

**Convention Under Fraternity**  
The convention was held under the auspices of the Colorado chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, a professional journalists fraternity, and the University Boosters' Club. High schools belonging to the Rocky Mountain Press including nine western states entered the conference.

## CROWDS ATTRACTED TO CLUB CARNIVAL

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who did not wish to dance. Miss Louise Stegner, Miss Ethel Spaulding, and Catherine Mills were the overseers of the second floor.

Plays and vaudeville in the club rooms were offered to visitors on the third floor. Freshmen Student Club girls under Miss Dorothy Kitchens and Miss Grace Fawthrop gave a play in the afternoon. Older girls under Miss Lella Bon, Miss Bertha Neale, Ruth Manning, and Ellen Ann Slader entertained the pleasure seekers in the evening.

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## "THE TITANS" IS NEW NAME FOR RED-HAIRED CLUB

Red-haired aristocracy—um-hum. And then some. That no lack of local color is apparent in Central high school was demonstrated recently by the forming of a new club, "The Titans," with an exclusive membership of golden-tressed lassies.

The second meeting of the "Titans," held last Wednesday afternoon, was the occasion of the election of officers. Kathryn Douglas is the stately president, Janice O'Brien is vice-president, Georgia Morgan is secretary-treasurer, and Nancy Marie Marble and Marjorie Smith uphold the honor of the red-haired co-workers as sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Irene Jensen is sponsor for the club, although, strange to say, she is not of Titan coloring herself.

The club, which was formed for social and service purposes, will count as an activity. Requirements for entrance of the twenty-eight members range in color from sandy gold to flaming brick color. Predominating hues in this exclusive circle are auburn, henna, brick, flame, burnt orange, orange, tomato, magenta, vermillion, scarlet, blood, crimson, and cardinal—and then several more might be named.

Some of the members gave out "Rolocs" on Color Day at the Rialto mass meeting. The "Titans" will also usher for the opera on December 12 and 13.

The idea for the club was received from a like organization at the University of Nebraska, "The Golden Fleece."

## O-BOOK AND PAPER WIN NEW HONORS

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divisions according to the number of students in the high school, and each division was divided into three classes according to merit.

Being rated in the first division, second class places The Weekly Register among the first 26 high school papers representing the United States, and puts the O-Book among the first 21 publications of its kind.

Thirty-four prominent persons talked at the convention. Among these were listed, Dr. Willard G. Bleyer, director of journalism at the University of Wisconsin, Grant M. Hyde, associate professor of journalism, E. Marion Johnson, assistant professor of journalism, and Miss Helen M. Patterson, instructor of journalism at the University of Wisconsin.

F. D. Fredell, manager of the annual department of the Buckbee-Mears Co., St. Paul engravers and R. H. Nason, manager of the Art Crafts, Inc., Chicago, were the principal speakers on annuals.

## Cooking Classes Learn How to Serve Lunches

Arranging and serving refreshments for parties on the special occasions of the year such as Christmas and Valentine's Day were demonstrated yesterday and today in Miss Marian Morrissey's beginning cooking classes.

Last Friday, Miss Grace Pinckney, school nurse, talked to the girls of the Household Arts department on "General Health."

Miss Morrissey has adopted a novel idea for giving special credit, as two percent is added to the final grades of the girls if they make salads or desserts at home, or plan a luncheon, breakfast, or supper. Two per cent is also given if the rules for eating habits are carried out.

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## O-Book Staff Is Completed

### "Meetings Will Be Held Soon," Says the Editor

O-Book sub-committee members have been appointed by the various editors and have been approved by the sponsor and editor-in-chief. Various chairmen say that separate meetings of the committee members and chairmen will be held in the near future.

"Seniors, please look this list over and see if you are on one of the following committees," says Beverley Manning, editor-in-chief.

**Athletics:** William Thomas, chairman; Golf and Tennis, Stanfield Johnson; Basketball, Frank Horacek; Reserves (2) Freshman, Eugene Howard; Baseball, Henry Glade; Track, Basil Turner; Swimming, William Thomas; Football, Ralph Jeffries.

**Girls' Athletics:** Lois Reichenburg, chairman; Lucille Gannon, Sue Hall, Katharine Allen.

**Debate:** Leona Pollack, chairman; Mary Claire Johnson, Elizabeth Mills, David Fellman, Byron Dunham, Justine Wolf.

**Dramatic:** Virginia Powell, chairman; Madeline Miller, Betty Fradenburg, Robert Hartman, Lawrence Mollin.

**Honor Society:** Carroll Blanchard.

**Military:** Lloyd Marquis, chairman; Bartlett Quigley, John Byron.

**Snapshot:** Wilma McFarland, chairman; Florence Christie, Jessie Mitchell, Josephine Vaught, Adelaide Seabury, Howard Robison, Harold Barris, Chester Nielson, Holland Hart.

**Write-Up:** Ruth Fitch, chairman; Alberta Elsassner, Mary Blackwell, Margaret Dailey, Katherine Frietag, Marian Griffin, Ethel Grace Hart, Ritchie Hikell, Jane Leeper, Vivian Wrenn, Dorothy Light, Lois Langley, Evelyn Mansfield, Jessie Means, Catherine Mills, Arvilla Bossoh, Dorothy Tenant, Merla Themanson, Dorrine Bush, Paul Jenkins, Lynn Norris, Murray Peterson, Henry De Long, John Byron, Charles Chadwell.

**Undergraduates:** Beatrix Manley, chairman; Junior, Nora Perley; Sophomore, Tom Gannett; Freshman, Silence Wilson.

**Typing:** Dorothy Braash, chairman.

## HAVE STYLE SHOW AT STUDENT CLUB

A style show! The real thing, too! Such was the entertainment offered at the Student Club meeting held after school Thursday at the Y. W. C. A. The entire program, under the management of the Service Committee, consisted of a talk on the meaning of "style," by Miss Louise Hatch, an explanation of correct dress, by Miss Chloe Stockard, and a demonstration of new fashions from Thomas Kilpatrick company.

At the business meeting held before the program, the club decided to give fifty dollars from the treasury toward supporting Miss Ethel Hartley, Girl Reserve Secretary, in her work in China. Gifts for the Indian children whom the club aids annually were requested, after which last-minute details of the Carnival were discussed.

At this meeting the girls were divided into nine groups of twenty each for future club work. A different sponsor has charge of each group.

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## MAKE RULES FOR ELEVENTH ANNUAL C. O. C. ROAD SHOW

"We have to restrict dancing to some extent, but we have no intention of forbidding popular music in the Road Show," laughed Miss Jessie Towne, dean of girls and vice-principal at Central, last Thursday morning while talking about the Eleventh Annual Road Show to be given March 13 and 14.

Miss Towne said that several students have already consulted her about acts. She also stated that "fronts" are especially wanted.

The Executive Committee for the Road Show composed of faculty members and Stanfield Johnson, president of C. O. C., has made several regulations regarding acts.

(1) Since the Road Show is given for the military encampment at Valley, all voluntary acts must be self supporting.

(2) Only students of Central high are eligible for parts.

(3) Sponsors for acts are to be registered at the same time the acts are submitted.

(4) All training for the Road Show must be under the direct supervision of the Committee.

(5) It is advisable for students to begin work on their acts at once as they are to be completed by the time of the tryouts. Acts may be filed with Miss Towne.

## K F C Z NOTES

"Get all the mathematics you can," S. Kruse, technical editor of the QST magazine of Hartford, Connecticut, urged the radio class in his talk when he visited Central's stations, KFCZ, 9XAR, and 9SB. Mr. Kruse attended the convention of the Midwest division of the American Radio Relay League, November 24, 25, and 26. Mr. A. A. Hebert, secretary-treasurer of the American Radio Relay League, and a member of the official staff of the QST Magazine also visited Central's stations.

Mr. Kruse is a very interesting speaker, as his wide experience in the radio field has furnished him with a large store of incidents and anecdotes of famous radio engineers.

Mrs. Elsie Howe Swanson, music teacher at Central, is in charge of the programs to be broadcast over KFCZ Tuesday, November 9 and Thursday, November 11 at 7:30.

The icy snow and sleet storm that struck Omaha last week also affected KFCZ. Mr. C. H. Thompson and the radio boys had the wires partially adjusted by Thursday evening so that necessary information could have been broadcast, but by Friday evening KFCZ was completely restored.

About fifty cards were received by KFCZ congratulating the station on the midnight program broadcast November 29.

The contest to secure a slogan for KFCZ has been indefinitely extended by C. H. Thompson, radio instructor. As the first prize for this contest is a year's subscription to The Weekly Register, and as the second winner will have a radio program dedicated to him, every one should send in a peppy slogan and boost KFCZ.

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## CENTRAL'S BOOSTING UNITS

### CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Eight new glass inkwells, which are expected to aid in getting better ink, have been installed in study halls and at the West entrance, where a student is in charge every morning from 7:45 to 8:30, by the Central Committee. At the meeting of the Committee, held Friday after school in 118, this fact was included in the report of the Ink committee.

Several designs for a club pin were submitted, out of which club members are to select three preferences. These preferences are to be handed in to Mrs. Ada Atkinson or Vera Hansen before Wednesday.

Lynn Norris and Harold Barris were appointed to form a committee to investigate the poor condition of the drinking fountains.

### PRESS CLUB

Irene Goosman, managing editor of The Weekly Register, Leola Jensen, reporter for The Weekly Register, and Miss Elizabeth White, instructor of journalism, who attended the convention of the Central Inter-scholastic Press Association at Madison, Wisconsin, November 28 and 29, spoke on their trip to Madison at the meeting of the Press club last Tuesday in 131.

Announcement was made of the awards won by the 1924 O-Book and The Weekly Register, at the convention of the Rocky Mountain Press Association.

### FRESHMAN STUDENT CLUB

Interesting, entertaining talks by eight girls and a piano solo by Madge Cejnor formed the program given by Miss Elsie Fisher's triangle of the Freshman Student club at the meeting of the club last Tuesday at the Y. W. C. A.

The Freshman Student club is divided into seven groups which are called triangles with twelve girls and a sponsor for each group.

### O-CLUB

Candy will be sold at both the Saturday performances of The Chimes of Normandy by O-Club girls. Lucille Gannon is the chairman and Vivian Wrenn and Fern McGuinty are members of a committee which is managing the sales.

### GIRLS' BAND

The first event of its kind in Central high school was the party given by the Girls' Band in honor of the Boys' Band, last Saturday evening at eight o'clock in the band room. A rollicking period of fun packed full of enjoyment marked the first social mixer for Central's musical supporters.

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### SPANISH CLUB

Mary Giangrosso was elected president of the Spanish club at the meeting of the club on Wednesday, November 26, in 120. Mary is a member of the Mathematics Society and the Junior Honor Society.

The Spanish club will give a Christmas basket to an Omaha family, and before the end of the term will donate a Spanish book or picture to the school.

Eight new members were initiated into the Spanish club last Friday in room 425. The new members were required to walk a tight rope, give a charade, become a ham or nut sandwich, and say "I want to eat" in Spanish. Apples and lollypops were served.

### GREENWICH VILLAGERS

How an ear of corn can be changed into an old farmer (by adding a few lines, of course) and other equally astounding feats were shown to the Greenwich Villagers and their friends at a chalk talk given by H. R. Putnam of Fort Omaha, last Tuesday in 215 at 3:00.

The next meeting will be held a week from today in 249.

### FRENCH CLUB

Celebrating vacation with a Christmas party at the University Club on Monday afternoon, December 22, for French Club members and their guests was decided upon at the business meeting of the French Club held last Tuesday afternoon in room 235 at 3 o'clock. A fruit cake with money inside will be sent as a Christmas present to the little French orphan adopted by the Club.

Several French plays were read at this meeting to determine what play Central French students will give in the near future.

### KEEN KEY KLICKERS

A bookkeeping machine was demonstrated to the Keen Key Klickers at their meeting last Wednesday in room 317 by Miss Alice Lessler of the Underwood Typewriting Company.

### LININGER TRAVEL CLUB

The members of the Lininger Travel Club will sell candy at the performances of the opera on Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13.

On November 28 the club gave a program at the House of Hope, and on November 26 two Thanksgiving baskets were given by the club to two families in Omaha.

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### LEADS DO WELL

#### Bernarr Wilson and Esther Ellis Are Hits—Chorus Is Fine

Bursts of laughter, spontaneous applause, and genuine admiration were the response of an enthusiastic and interested audience to "The Chimes of Normandy," the opera given by the Glee Clubs Friday and Saturday nights with Saturday matinee in the school auditorium. Mrs. Carol Marhoff Pitts directed the music; Miss Lena May Williams the dramatics; L. N. Bexten the stage; Miss Floy Smith properties and make-up; Mrs. Elsie Swanson student management; Mrs. Irene Jensen, ushers; and F. H. Guigard, tickets.

#### Leads Do Good Work

Alice Mae Christensen, as the supposed niece of a cranky old miser, and later found to be a long lost marchioness, carried out the modest, sweet character of Germaine admirably. Her vocal ability was sincerely appreciated by the audience.

Volcott Swift, as Henri, Marquis de Cornerville, demonstrated his ability as a lead in his swaggering, care-free role, as well as in his clear, strong vocal presentations; while Bernarr Wilson, as the miser Gaspard, won the admiration of every member of the audience at his remarkable acting. He fitted the part of a grumpy, rheumatic, gold-loving peasant exactly and his fine acting and singing in the second act, where Gaspard goes insane, was all that could be desired.

#### Serpolette Is Charming

Esther Ellis, as the gay little peasant girl, Serpolette, proved ideal in the part. The audience was kept in a continual roar of laughter by her excellent portrayal of a comical role. Throughout the whole opera her clear melodious voice received the approbation of the audience.

Sam Minkin, as the eccentric ball, did some excellent and laughable acting, and added to the musical quality of the cast with his clear bass; while Roy Larsen, as the fisherman Grenicheux, gave a true representation of a timid, superstitious, comical weakling, and sang with a fine voice.

Warren Chiles, David Waterman, and Sylvan Erman, were a laughable trio and helped give a successfully light atmosphere to the presentation.

The four village maidens, as well as the choruses, did praiseworthy work throughout the opera.

## Board Recommends Points For Weekly Register Staff

The titles of Editor-in-chief, Associate Editor, and Associate City Editor were dropped from the official list of titles of the Register staff at the meeting last Friday of the Register Board, which consists of the principal, vice-principals, executive secretary, and journalism instructor. The Register Board also recommended to the Activities committee that the Editorial Writer be given eight points, the managing editor ten points, and the reporters and other members of the editorial staff eight points.

The title of Editor-in-chief was changed to Editorial Writer, and Associate Editor to Staff Secretary. Proof and Copy Readers will take the place of the Associate City Editor.

## Interior Decorating Class Plans and Furnishes Home

A mythical five hundred dollars with which to completely furnish a five room bungalow for a poor family, and any sum they wish to equip an ideal home, furnish thrills for Miss Verda Williams VII hour Interior Decorating class.

Trips to the second hand stores and auctioneers have been necessary to plan the poor home. Furnishing Lorena James' ideal home will cost twenty-five thousand dollars, and Alice Mae Christensen is having furnishings costing five thousand dollars, the most expensive.

## Central's Teams To Debate South

### Contest This Week Decides Purples' Chances in River League

"Central stands on a critical brink this week when she debates South high school. If Central wins both debates, the one tonight at Central with the negative and the one Thursday night at South with the affirmative, a place in the running for the Mississippi Valley League championship is assured," said V. E. Chate-lain yesterday. "Resolved that the United States should join the League of Nations," is the question.

#### Centralites Working Hard

Central debaters, who have been preparing for these clashes are Byron Dunham, Leona Pollack, David Fellman, and Edward Brown, for the affirmative. Harry Wise, Harold Holtmeyer, Sam Minkin, El' beth Mills, Catherine Southard, and Henry DeLong have been striving for the negative team.

#### South Debaters Announced

Pearl Starman, Greshon Herman, and Ralton James compose the South affirmative team which comes on Central's stage at 7:30 tonight. On Thursday Lillian Simon, Joe Rothkop, and Fred Hill, South's negative debaters will endeavor to down the undefeated Central affirmative team at South high.

Last week South received a double 2 to 1 defeat at the hands of the Thomas Jefferson orators with whom Central broke even in the first debate of the season.

## COURSE OF STUDY WILL BE ENLARGED BY NEW SUBJECTS

Four new subjects will be offered next semester, Costume Design in the Art department, Costume Construction in the Expression department, Newswriting in the Journalism department, and Electrical Drawing under the supervision of L. N. Bexten.

Botany, which is new every second semester, will again be on the curriculum this year. There will also be beginning classes in Typewriting and Shorthand.

The Journalism I class consisting of picked members of Junior and Senior English classes will be carried on as usual. The Newswriting class will be open to any Juniors or Seniors. The class will be limited to twenty-five.

A class in analytic geometry and one in the slide rule will be formed if there is a sufficient demand. All courses in Household Arts will be open, and all grades of gymnasium work will be offered if enough girls register. There will be a seventh hour class in Gymnasium I for older girls.

## Central English Teacher Gives Report at Forum

At a Forum meeting held last Wednesday afternoon at 4:15 in the Technical high school auditorium, Miss Katherine Hilliard, Central teacher and chairman of the Forum social committee, was among the chairmen who gave reports on the year's work of the committee.

## Class to Pick Photographer

The photographer for the picture of the June graduates will be voted on at an important meeting of the Senior class to be held this afternoon directly after school in room 215. Seniors will be asked to list their activities at this time.

## SANTA CLAUS HAS PRESENTS ALMOST READY FOR CHRISTMAS; PROMISES A'S

"Ha, ha, ha. Sure, I know all the boys and girls at Central!" chuckled Santa Claus last Wednesday afternoon in Toytown as he sprang down from his white bearskin throne and slapped his guest on the back. "Why I've been watching them for weeks, and I know who's been naughty."

Santa looked just like himself. His red suit matched his rosy cheeks, his long beard flowed down like snow, and his little blue eyes had the merriest twinkle. "Do you know why I'm so chubby?" he asked. "Why it's because I eat so much snowball soup and fried icicles."

According to this jolly little gentleman, who has just arrived from the north pole, the gurney was wonderful, only Jimmie, one of his reindeer, suffered a blowout in his left hind leg.

## Pine Manor Girls Set Up Memorial To Virginia Pearce

Memorials in honor of Virginia Pearce '22, the first girl president of Central's Student Association, who died in January, 1924, of complications following an operation, have been set up by the girls of Pine Manor, Wellesley, Massachusetts, where Virginia was attending school.

Two candelabra and an endowed bed are constant reminders of their former classmate. A picture of Virginia hangs in the assembly room of the Morrill House where the girls may see it every day and especially at chapel time. Miss Adele Lathrop, principal of Pine Manor, has written to Mrs. F. E. Pearce, Virginia's mother, of her vitality, capability, and personality. She says, "No Pine Manor girl who has known her will ever forget her."

When in Central, "Gin" as she was better known from the smallest most timid freshman to the most important senior, was known for her happy and radiant disposition, and the way her face was always shining with smiles. It seems very appropriate that the seniors of the school she was attending, in selecting their annual school gift to dedicate to her, should choose lights. Two tall wrought iron candelabra are now used at every evening service to light candles. They were first used at the commencement vesper service. (Continued to Page Three)

## Nine Radio Boys Pass Examination And Win Licenses

Central's radio boys went one hundred per cent in the Radio Civil Service examinations which were taken by the nine boys of the radio class at the Federal Building Wednesday evening. Commercial licenses in the first and second grades were awarded to Bert Badgerow and Arthur Dunn, respectively. E. A. Beane, government radio inspector of the ninth radio district, gave the examinations.

The first part of the examination was translating from the continental code. The first grade commercial license operator must be able to write twenty words a minute, and one hundred letters in succession, perfect copy, while the second grade commercial operator must be able to write twelve words a minute, and sixty letters in succession, perfect copy.

Seven boys in the radio class were given amateur licenses. The amateur operator must write ten words a minute and fifty letters in succession, perfect copy.

"Very hard written examinations were taken by the boys," says C. H. Thompson, radio instructor at Central. The first grade commercial operator must make the grade of seventy-five per cent, and the second grade commercial operator must make sixty-five per cent. Twenty per cent is given for previous experience.

## MEETING OF NEW FRESHMEN HELD; GET HANDBOOKS

The meeting of the Freshmen who will attend Central in January was held Thursday after school in room 215. Principal J. G. Masters explained the course of study, discussed college entrances, told the freshmen the required subjects, and distributed pink schedule cards, and Purple and White Handbooks.

About one hundred and fifty students attended the meeting. Principal Masters also advised all incoming students to take The Weekly Register. The next meeting will be held at two o'clock on January 26, the first day of the new semester.

## Advanced Art Students Sell Christmas Cards

Hand-made, block-printed Christmas cards are now being sold for ten cents, with the addition of five cents for the envelope, by Miss Mary Angood's advanced art students in 249. For weeks, assisted by the Greenwich Villagers, they have been making these cards, which are now being exhibited outside of 249. As long as the cards last, students may purchase them.

## DESIGN MAGAZINE TO PUBLISH WORK OF CENTRAL BOY

Deane Starrett, one of the members of the Greenwich Villagers and Art Editor of the O-Book, received a letter last week from the Ceramic Studio Publishing Company of Syracuse, New York, announcing that his original designs have been accepted to be used in the Ceramic Studio, a design magazine, which is the only one of its kind in the country.

"It is very unusual for the Ceramic Studio to accept the work of a high school student," said Miss Mary Angood, Deane's teacher in design. Deane's designs are based on some Peruvian textiles which were published in the September number of the Ceramic Studio.

A letter received by The Weekly Register from Harry C. McKown, professor of education at the University of Pittsburgh, contains enthusiastic praise of the Purple and White Handbook.

"It is one of the best I have seen," says Mr. McKown. "The general organization is good, and topics as well as school activities in general are well covered."

## Central to Form City Press Club

### First Meeting to Be Held February 6, 1925, in School Cafeteria

A City Press Club including Technical, North, South, and Central is being organized to promote interest in high school publications. The idea originated with Miss Elizabeth White, Journalism instructor in Central.

The Club's first meeting will be a banquet in Central's cafeteria, Feb. 6, 1925. Leona Pollack is the chairman of the program committee, and Deane Starrett is in charge of the invitations. Miss Mabel Carter is planning the dinner for the banquet.

## Perfect Banking Room Does Its Bit of Christmas Cheer

The "bankers home room" is full of kind hearts as well as financial minds, judging by the Christmas plans of home room 229. The home room students, under the direction of J. W. Lampman, have selected a letter family and plan to fit them out with clothing, food, and toys for the children.

A committee from 229 composed of Ralph Helgren, Jerry Cheek, Nelle Paine, and Eleanor Hartnett reported that there are six children in the family, all under 14 years of age. The father is in the hospital.

"The family is in special need of shoes, but any articles of clothing that the high school students could collect and bring to room 229 would be greatly appreciated," said Mr. Lampman when interviewed recently concerning the annual Christmas plans of his home room.

## Teacher to Chaperon Trip To Europe Next Summer

Miss Bess Bozell, French teacher in Central, will chaperone a group of college and high school girls on an extended European tour next summer. They will sail from New York, June 27.

The trip is under the direction of the Temple Tours, and will include England, France, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, and Germany.

## EPIC POET WILL READ AT CENTRAL

### Richard Halliburton Is Fine Example of Adventurous American Youth



JOHN G. NEIHARDT

## Sophomore Group of Junior Honor Elects Secretary

Billie Mathews was elected permanent secretary of the Delta chapter of the Junior Honor Society at the meeting of that chapter held last Tuesday morning in 139.

A report was made by the committee, of which Verne Reynolds is chairman, to further the interests of the Honor Society among underclassmen. Suggestions were also made by honor society members concerning the accomplishment of the purpose of the committee.

Miss Genevieve Clarke, sponsor of the chapter, urged all members to be present at the mass meeting to be held on Wednesday, December 17, at which the Delta Chapter is to be seated in a body. Gretchen Standeven, secretary of the entire society, presided.

## EXPRESSION CLASS PRODUCES PLAYS WITH MINIATURES

Back to the land of Lilliput! In Central high school there is a race of little people living their own lives, and getting entangled in their own troubles. They tell stories of love, despair, trickery, and conquest.

The characters are well-known personages, among whom are the famous Pierrot and Pierrette, Harlequin and Colombine. A fight between Harlequin and Pierrot for the love of Colombine is the plot of one story; another is a modern tale of Romeo and Juliet.

Where do these little people have their abode in Central high school? Should they be taken back to Lilliput? They cannot be found in the Project room, but they do appear nearly every day in the auditorium, seventh hour. The Expression III classes are making miniature stages with miniature furniture and miniature people.

One-act plays were chosen by the students, and dolls were dressed to represent the characters. The students read the play and move the dolls as they would move if they were real people. The plays cannot be presented to the whole school, but the land of Lilliput has come to stay.

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## Traveller Lives Life of Thrills

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He is young. He is good-looking. He is witty. He is of a romantic-loving, daredevil type. This is Richard Halliburton, the young world traveller, who lectured Friday afternoon at Hotel Fontenelle on "The Royal Road to Romance" before the Society of Fine Arts. "It's the steady, stay-put people who run things, but it's the unsteady, wandering people who put the excitement, the song, and the poetry in life," said this eloquent young exponent of a wanderlusting spirit.

Mr. Halliburton, who is now only 24, fared forth to see the world after his graduation from Princeton University. As a common seaman, with only three hundred dollars in his pocket, he put out to sea for a trip of two years covering 50,000 miles. Reaching Switzerland with a great desire to climb the Matterhorn, he qualified himself for so doing by telling the guides that he had climbed everything from the Palisades to Popocatepetl.

Gibraltar was the young traveller's next goal. "I was tickled to death to see, for once, a Gibraltar without the looming sign, 'The Prudential Life Insurance Company of America,'" he exclaimed. Here Mr. Halliburton was seized as a German spy. "It was 1922, and they still had the German spy complex," he said explaining his arrest.

Slipping past the frontier in a clever and unique way with a woman's passport, he next arrived at historical old Egypt. Here he spent a night alone at the top of a pyramid. In India he contrived to be locked overnight in the Taj Mahal, saw the unequalled beauty of an Indian night from the most perfect building in the world, and went for a swim in the alabaster fish pool.

Then back to America came this man whose travels are like a story from the Arabian Nights, to lecture and thus gain enough money to wander off again, this time to follow the travels of Ulysses in the Odyssey. He plans to be a writer. He was editor of his school paper when he attended a preparatory school for Princeton.

## BOYS WIN MEDALS FOR HIGH PLACES IN RECENT DRILL

Official spelldowns in the regiment were held in each of the six companies last Thursday at drill.

Gold, silver, and bronze medals were given to the three winners in each company. The victorious cadets keep the awards until the next similar drill, and are accredited with five, three, or one point according to the place secured. At the end of the year the medals are awarded to the cadet with the highest number of points. These men also compete in individual competitive drill at camp.

#### The first place winners are:

- Company A, Sergeant Lowell Humphreys.
- Company B, Sergeant Morris Brodsky.
- Company C, Sergeant William Byrne.
- Company D, Corporal Robert Thompson.
- Company E, Sergeant Richard De Buse.
- Company F, Corporal Benjamin Cowdery.

Taking a Christmas dinner to a poor family is what the O-Club girls will do with the proceeds from their candy sale at the "Chimes of Normandy." They planned to do this at their meeting in 425 before school today.

## CALENDAR

- Tuesday, December 16—French Club meeting in 235 at 3:00.
- Freshman Student club meeting at the Y. W. C. A. at 3:00.
- Spanish Club meeting in 120 at 3:00.
- Greenwich Village meeting in 249 at 3:00.
- Wednesday, December 17—Linniger Travel Club meeting in 240 at 3:00.
- Thursday, December 18—Student Club meeting at the Y. W. C. A. at 3:15.
- Meeting of the Junior Hi-Y at the Y. W. C. A. at 6:00.
- Friday, December 19—Central Committee meeting in 118 at 3:00.
- Meeting of the Senior Hi-Y at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:00.
- Christmas vacation from December 19 to January 5.
- Tuesday, January 6—Meeting of the O-Club in 425 at 8:15.
- French Club meeting in 235 at 3:00.
- Spanish Club meeting in 120 at 3:00.
- Wednesday, January 7—Linniger Travel Club meeting in 240 at 3:00.
- Thursday, January 8—Meeting of the Junior Hi-Y at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:00.
- Friday, January 9—Meeting of the Senior Hi-Y at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:00.

## Alleging Plagiarism, Neihardt Sues Oil Man for Large Sum

### Infringement of Copyright on Poem, "Battle Cry," Is Charged

#### DEMANDS \$143,139

#### Nebraska Poet Laureate to Give Reading at Central

A millionaire oil king of Los Angeles, C. C. Julian, Cornelius Vanderbilt, and the Vanderbilt Newspaper Company are being sued by John G. Neihardt, poet laureate of Nebraska, for \$143,139 for infringement of copyright on Neihardt's poem the "Battle Cry." Neihardt is being presented by the January seniors for their class program January 16.

The name of the poem in controversy was changed to "Undismayed" and was printed over Julian's own signature in the January eleventh edition of the Los Angeles Illustrated News.

#### Case Grew Out of Oil Battle

A battle between Julian and other oil concerns led to a newspaper war, and Julian, a social lion, a financier, and an oil king, published Neihardt's poem as his own, affecting to be something of a poet himself. Jim Tully, a noted novelist, recognized the poem and sent a copy of the paper to Neihardt.

#### Damages for Each Issue Asked

The damages asked are \$143,139, being one dollar for each issue, since every copy was a violation of the law. The poem was written and copyrighted by Neihardt in 1909. "Everything is in his favor, and he will undoubtedly recover substantial damages," said D. M. Vinsonhaler, Omaha attorney, who filed the case in Los Angeles.

#### Neihardt's Poem "Battle Cry"

The first stanza of the poem, "The Battle Cry," is:

"More than half beaten, but fearless,  
Facing the storm and the night,  
Breathless and reeling, but fearless,  
Here in the lull of the fight,  
I, who bow not but before thee,  
God of the fighting Clan,  
Lifting my fists, I implore Thee  
Give me the heart of a man!"

Neihardt will give readings from his most recent poem, "Song of the Indian Wars" when he appears on the Central high school stage.

#### Neihardt, Nebraska's Poet Laureate

In 1923 a chair of poetry was created for Neihardt by the University of Nebraska. He has spent much of his time among the Plains Indians, and is known by the "Omahas," an Indian tribe, as "Toe-Nuga-Zhinga," the Little Bill Buffalo. He began writing verse at the age of twelve, and as early as 1908 was recognized as one of the foremost living lyric poets. By a joint action of the legislature, Neihardt was created Poet Laureate for Nebraska in 1921.

His appearance in Central will be his debut on the program of any graduating class of Nebraska high schools.

## Reporter Is Advised to Sell Article Which Won Contest

The loving cup presented to Frances Elliott by the Woman's Press Club of the University of Colorado for the best girls' feature story submitted to the contest arrived last week. When Frances was asked what she thought of the cup, she said, "I'm just wild about it. I didn't realize it at all until I saw it."

In a letter received with the cup, Virginia Harrell, chairman of the girls' special feature contest and vice-president of the Woman's Press Club, says, "Your story was a subject well chosen. I would advise that you send your story to some magazine or paper. You show great talent and ability and we would like to have you enter any other contests that we may have."

A note was enclosed in the letter from Dr. Richard F. Harrell, Virginia's father; he said of one of the men Frances would put in Nebraska's Hall of Fame, "I know Dr. Gifford, he is a great man."

## College Exams June 15-20

College entrance board examinations will be given in Central from June 15-20. Students from Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, and sometimes Wyoming come to Omaha for these examinations.

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## CENTRAL COMMITTEE

"School spirit is devotion to a school and its traditions; it is a steady, loyal force ruling the uncertain waves of victory or defeat; it is the principle guiding him who seeks, through study and co-operation, to benefit his school." The Central Committee, under the direction of the faculty sponsors, has been working since its inception to crystallize the thoughts of this accepted definition of Central school spirit.

Little things must be corrected before big things may be perfected. The minor discomforts of the high schools, the Central Committee has been continuously attempting to correct. The latest of improvements accomplished is providing a better grade of ink than was formerly used in the school. But more important than cure is prevention. The most important task for the Central Committee to set for itself is to establish in the heart of every Central student desire "to benefit his school through study and co-operation." And the Central Committee has been doing that, is doing it, and will continue to do it.

## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### NEIHARDT

John G. Neihardt—chronicler of the frontiers of America! Mr. Neihardt is an epicist whose work is already recognized. He has been praised by one critic, in these words, "In the work of John G. Neihardt are no borrowings, no mimicking of other poets, but personal vision, fire, and the fruit of experience."

The poems of John G. Neihardt are epics of the Missouri country, the land in whose bosom Nebraska rests. Too infrequent have been the opportunities of Omahans to hear him. With excellent judgment, therefore, the February class of '25 is presenting Mr. Neihardt on January 16 to give "Readings on Songs of the Indian Wars." The high plane inaugurated by preceding senior classes in their presentations of Henry G. Southwick will undoubtedly be carried on by Mr. Neihardt.

About Christmas time, it is gently hinted that presents make the heart grow fonder.

### RESOLUTIONS TO BE KEPT

The hardest thing on earth to do is to write a New Year's editorial that isn't a dissertation on resolutions. Following the line of least effort, as this is the season when a spirit of good-will and good intentions is abroad, one can suggest many much-needed resolutions. Some reforms might be practical; most are impossible. But, to those who'd avoid friction in life, this three-fold advice will be practical:

- (1) Assume an appearance of modesty, even if you have it not.
- (2) Be duly impressed with the importance of things as they are.
- (3) Wait at least until you know your own job before suggesting improvements for others.

"Although voting in Congress is usually by 'ayes' and 'noes,' the talking is still done by mouth," wondered Aunt Miranda.

### ROME INFLUENCES MODERN WORLD IN USE OF CHRISTMAS COLORS

"So now is come our joyfulest feast, Let every man be jolly, Each room with ivy leaves is drest, And every post with holly."

Have you ever wondered why green and red at Christmas time have become as natural a combination as bobbed hair and galoshes? The idea did not originate with the manufacturers of Christmas cards, but developed back in the days of Roman glory, when the contemporaries of Cicero decked their homes with evergreen and laurel in honor of the god Saturn.

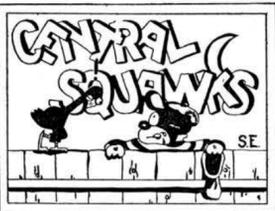
There is no record of a definite color combination in early history, but during the last two centuries the association of holly leaves and holly berries has standardized the use of red and green as holiday hues.

Green bay leaves were strewn through the temples of heathen deities, and the windows of Julius Caesar's festal palace once hung with

very modern looking holly wreathes. The ancient use of living green as a symbol of merrymaking and joy has extended to the present day, when green signifies the memory of the Saviour.

Crimson holly berries and the heart of the yule-log flame are reflected in the glowing Christmas red. Human yearning for spring finds hope of tender leaves and summer warmth in the holiday colors.

The well-known use of the mistletoe was first established in London, but during the early history of Germany and Scandinavia the plant was regarded as sacred, and a kiss beneath its boughs meant a solemn oath of friendship in the presence of the deities. Perhaps the modern youth who lightly steals a kiss beneath the mystic mistletoe will some day be held accountable to the shades of those old Norse gods of long ago.



The stone age has not yet passed! This remarkable fact was discovered by the boys after asking the girls what they want for Christmas.

And say, could a butcher shop that sold hams be called a hock shop?

It has been suggested that Central adopt a school flower. My suggestion would be mistletoe.

Brunettes are the most fickle women on earth—except blondes.

I will now render an excruciating ballad entitled, "A cake in the hand is worth two on the coat."

A girl named Lotta Rot, Went out and bought quite a lot, But now in a cell, She curses like everything, She paid not for all that she bot.

A bank in Sarkasm, once ran this ad in a local newspaper: WANTED—A clerk. Must be experienced in foreign exchange. Salary \$10 a week.

This is one of the replies received: "Dear Bank—I would respectfully apply for the position you offer. I am an expert in foreign exchange, having frequently exchanged blows with the laborers working in front of my house. In addition, I converse fluently in Gum Arabic, Zola, Gorgonzola, and Billingsgate. I write shorthand, long-hand, left-hand, right-hand, and back-hand. I can supply my own typewriter if necessary, and I may mention that I can do half an hour in ten minutes—the record.

I would be willing also to let you have the service, gratis, of my large family of boys, and if agreeable to you, my wife would be pleased to clean your office regularly without extra charge. The cost of postage for your answer to this application can be deducted from my salary. Please note that if you have a back yard, I would make bricks in my spare time. Awaiting an early reply, I remain, etc.

A very unsophisticated Central flapper was recently informed that the new Elk's building was dedicated to Mr. Sears. "Oh," she exclaimed, "but why should they slight Mr. Roebuck?"

How to get about in the school—Go up and call a perfect stranger a sap.

Now days all cases are tried before the bar. There was a time when all cases were tried across the bar.

**Holiday Greetings**  
 To the faculty—A merry Christmas, and may the New Year bring many boosts in the pay-check.

To the Seniors: A voluptuous Yuletide and for the New Year may the knocks of opportunity sound like the inside of a boiler factory. (Original.)

To the Juniors: Snappy parties and a sober New Year's eve.  
 To the Sophs: A painless Christmas dinner and may the New Year find you brighter than an old maid's nose. (Original.)

To the Freshmen: May Santa Claus bring you something nice and may the New Year add inches to your height.

He is a 5-A student.  
 He can play any instrument from a mouth harp to a pipe organ.  
 He plays football, baseball, basketball, and tennis.  
 He is a wonderful dancer.  
 He breaks all the ladies' hearts.  
 He is an all round good sport and good fellow.  
 He has his pictures continually in the paper.  
 BUT, he runs to lunch just like the rest of us.

Some people think because they got a petrified carbunkle they're hard boiled.

And say but Caesar certainly did have his Gaul.

Breathes there a one with breath so dead,  
 Who never to himself hath said,  
 "I wonder what garlic tastes like."

"It Floats!" Yes, his head is 99 99-100% Ivory. Wonder what the other 1-100% is?

English students' favorite song "Sweet Adeline" (Ad-a-line). Also the journalist's.

Well, Guzzle Wump (Tasmanian for Ta Ta). SCOTTY.

## FOUND IN UNCLE PETER'S MAIL BOX

Dear Uncle Peeter:  
 Hot man as the Scotch says insted of hot dog. Next week is Xmas vacation. Huzza! Huzza! Nobody is sheddin any tears over the fakt either.

Say, Unc, do you remember them big boots you used to wear in winter? Well, the gals in this town wear some something like em which they call gulashes. These said animals bein quite big are kinda out of the way inside tho they do be handy outside. Lockers after bein filled with meny outer clothes plus our numerus books aint got much place left for them pet gulashes so the girls hev been in the habit of puttin em on top of the lockers which was just vetoed by hi officulhs who evidently don't approve of sein them gulashes parked roe after roe in the air.

In a way I don't blame the officials seen as how such don't approve the looks of the school none, and then their is the danger of them falling off an swampin somebody on the head tho that aint likely. I guess maybe the girls will hev to go clumpin around in them gulashes but that aint so practical beth on account of the uncomfart and the noise. Of course a officul parkin place could be made and layed aside fer them.

Funny what an interest people do take in ya, but I didn't know it till the other day when I had a runner in my stockin. ME.

## ALUMNI

Adalin Kingsley '24 has left the University of Utah on account of sickness. She was specializing in Art. She will not be able to return to college until next September.

Edward Perley, former Central graduate, is engaged to be married to Miss Geraldine Nusbaum of Los Angeles, California.

Elizabeth Paffenrath '24 returns December 21 from Hollins college, Hollins, Va., to spend the holidays in Omaha.

Helen Pancoast '24, member of the National Honor Society, is expected home from Wellesley college during Christmas vacation.

Richard Vette '24 will come up from Lincoln, Neb., where he is attending the University of Nebraska, to spend Christmas at home.

Emil Shukert '24 will arrive home for Christmas from Dartmouth college.

Robert Weller '24, member of the National Honor Society, and Ralph Barris '24 will also arrive from Grinnell college to spend the holidays in Omaha.

Ann Pearsall '24, who is attending the Frances Shimer School for Girls, will be at home for the Christmas season.

Hawthorne Arey '24 is expected home from Grinnell college, Grinnell, Iowa, on December 20.

Ernestine Dunaway '24, who is attending the University of Nebraska, will spend Christmas at home. She also visited Omaha last Saturday to attend the opera, "The Chimes of Normandy."

Agnes Dunaway '23 will also be with her family during the holidays. Agnes is attending the University of Chicago.

Albert Anderson '24, former Lieutenant-Colonel of the regiment and member of the National Honor Society, will arrive from the University of Chicago during Christmas time.

John Waterman '24 arrived home last Friday from Park college, Parkville, Missouri.

## Teachers' Book Club Names New Server of Committee

The new Book Committee of the Teachers' Book Club to serve for three months has been announced, and the Permanent Committee has elected two officers.

The members of the committee are The Misses Helen Lane, chairman; Annie Fry, Pearl Judkins, Marie Schmidt, and Dr. H. A. Senter. Miss Margaret Mueller was elected chairman, and Miss Penelope Smith, treasurer of the Permanent Committee.

To Edwin  
 Oh! Eddie, our Ed  
 With cheeks so red,  
 And voice so mellow and sweet.  
 He wears a white collar  
 Worth almost a dollar,  
 And all the girls at his feet.  
 Now don't mistake him for Brown  
 Because he is not nearly the clown  
 As Eddie, Oh! Eddie, Our Shiek!  
 —The Needle.

## GOSSIP

So Bill Kearns was the first beau Wilma ever danced with. And he wore knee pants. Did ya ever! Are your feet still sore, Billi-e-e?

Someone in the Public Speaking class declared "that he would handle the divorce case of "Swede" versus "Stan," then someone piped up, "What about Lucile?" So, Mr. Major, that is your line, eh?

Wanted, a Junior boy four feet tall. For further information inquire of Helen McChesney, or any of her desolate friends.

## MAY THIS INSPIRE OUR LATIN SHARKS!

The Grammarian's Love Letter  
 When first I saw you from afar,  
 I cried: "Oh, Miss McPherson,  
 Thou (Second Person Singular)  
 Shalt be my own First Person!"

I bore the tortures of the fiend,  
 And suffered throes unpleasant,  
 When a Third Person Intervened,  
 Singular, Active, Present.

Oh, pardon me if I intrude,  
 But do not give him credence;  
 Pray think of his Potential Mood!  
 Indefinite Antecedents!

Indirect have his Objects been,  
 And indirect his discourse;  
 He takes the Plural Feminine!  
 Adopt, my lady, this course.

Decline him, every mood and tense!  
 Hark to my words, I beg; you'll err  
 If you do not discover thence  
 His Past is most Irregular!

Heed my Imperative Active Voice,  
 And let my ardent love earn  
 That I be the object of your choice—  
 The Object that you Govern!

And down the years our mission'll  
 Be to transform our kisses  
 Imperfect and Conditional  
 To Future Perfect Blissess!  
 —Morris Bishop.

Russ: "Do you really think ignorance is bliss?"  
 Giss: "Oh, I don't know. You seem to be happy."—Jack High Times.

## AH! WHAT THINGS ARE REVEALED WHEN TEACHERS ARE ASKED ABOUT CHRISTMAS

When Christmas is remarked about, A thought comes to your mind no doubt,  
 But now the question that's at hand, Is what you think of, dumb or grand, Or is it funny, queer or old,  
 This thought of Christmas which you hold.

Mistletoe, holly, stockings, presents, vacation, Santa Claus, or what of a hundred more things do you think about first when someone mentions Christmas?

For fun, last week, we asked some sedate and dignified faculty members what came to their minds at the word Christmas, expecting of course to get some very uplifting answers. Would you believe it, most of them reverted to very childish things while happy, expectant looks crept over their faces as if they were waiting for Santa Claus to come popping down the chimney at any moment.

For instance, from the honorable J. G. Masters tumbled out in rapid succession the words, "Christmas bells, Santa Claus, and good times."

Miss Bess Dumont, executive secretary in Central, laughingly exploded one word, "Florida."

"Santy Claus spelled with 'Y' " is Miss Sara Vore Taylor's thought.

Miss Jessie Towne exclaimed, "Heavens!" when asked the fatal question, but evidently this wasn't quite right, for she added, "Christmas tree, Santa Claus, and hanging up my stockings."

"Vacation" monopolizes Miss Emma Ure's mind.

"Family gatherings" comes to Miss

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James: "He surely was foresighted."  
 Joe: "How so?"  
 James: "He had a fire extinguisher put in his coffin."—The Flashlight.

Ding: "Why don't you take psychology fourth hour?"  
 Bat: "I never could sleep before lunch."—The Flashlight.

Doctor: "I'll have to go back. I forgot my kit."  
 Father: "Don't bother. The plumber forgot his in the basement. I'll get it right away."—The Round-Up.

"Were all the ball players drunk?"  
 "Yes, even the bases were full."—Jack High Times.

Edith Field, while "Children and their happiness" occurs to Miss Carrie O. Browne.

Mrs. Katherine Campbell said, "Honestly, making doll clothes for Beth." As a word of explanation—Beth is her small daughter.

These are a few of the choice samples of Christmas thoughts gleaned from great minds, and thus we close for want of space.

## PERSONALS

Maude Minnick '25 has dropped school.

Ruth Rhunka '24, who is taking a post graduate course at Central, was absent from school three days last week on account of an infection in her hand.

Josephine Drapier '23, who has been taking a post-graduate course at Central, has dropped her work on account of her mother's illness.

Gwendolyn Stoner will undergo a nose operation during Christmas vacation.

Doris Haverstock '27 and Robert Oliver '26 have dropped school.

Arthur Pirruccello '27 has been out of school for a week.

Clarence Pritchard will not return to school till after Christmas vacation.

Fairfax Dashiell '25 was absent all last week.

Gladys Foy '27 returned to school Friday.

Basil Turner '26, prominent athlete and former president of Speakers' Bureau, has dropped school on account of the illness of his father.

A tea will be given in honor of Georgene Rasmussen '27 by her mother, Mrs. George Rasmussen on Tuesday, December 30, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Alice Putnam '27 will entertain at a holiday bridge party on Saturday afternoon, December 20.

Miss Bessie E. Shackell, teacher, returned to school after more than a week's illness.

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### Chemical Society Offers Big Prizes

Contest, Closing in March, Gives Scholarships As National Awards

"The American Chemical Society prize essay contest will close March 1, 1925. The two weeks of Christmas vacation offer a good opportunity for work," says Miss Louise Stegner, English teacher in charge of the essay contests.

**Are Valuable Awards**  
A \$20.00 gold piece will be awarded in each state for the best article written by a high school student on any of the following subjects; The Relation of Chemistry to Health and Disease, The Relation of Chemistry to Agriculture or Forestry, The Relation of Chemistry to the Enrichment of Life, The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense, The Relation of Chemistry to the Home, and the Relation of Chemistry to the Development of an Industry or a Resource of the United States.

**Will Be National Contest**  
Winners of the state contests will be entered in a National Contest, in which the prizes will be six scholarships, one for each subject, to Yale University or Vassar College.

### Install Extinguishers to Guard Against Fire

"Central will never have another fire. We'll put it out before it gets started." This is the promise solemnly made by Principal Masters. Large fire extinguishers have invaded Central and are placed in all available parts of the building.

"Central is not fire proof. At any moment a fire might break out which would cause serious damage not to mention loss of lives. To guard against this the Board of Education has provided nine new fire extinguishers," said Principal Masters when interviewed recently.

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#### STUDENT CLUB

The Social committee of the Student Club is planning a Christmas program to be given at the Old People's Home. As the program is not completed as yet, it will be announced at the next Student Club meeting, which will be held Thursday, December 18.

#### KEEN KEY KLICKERS

Crossword puzzles and guessing games were the feature of the Keen Key Klicker meeting held last Wednesday after school in room 317. Alice Bondesson composed the words to a song which was sung at the meeting.

#### GREENWICH VILLAGERS

Designs on week-end traveling boxes for Miss Chloe Stockard's costume design class, were made by the Greenwich Villagers last week. The making of the letters for athletic awards has also been taken over by the art club. The money made by this work has been added to the Greenwich Villagers' scholarship fund.

#### SPANISH CLUB

Peggy Denise is chairman of the committee to get the Christmas basket which the Spanish club will give to a poor family. The Spanish club will meet tonight in room 120.

#### FRENCH CLUB

Foot-stirring music by an orchestra, a little sketch by Mme. Refregier and Mme. McConnell will make up the program at the French Club tea to be given at the University Club next Monday afternoon, Dec. 22, from 3 to 5 p. m.

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Members of the club sold candy at the opera, using the proceeds toward making Christmas merry for a poor family.

Clarice Vance, chairman, Irene Mancuso, and Grace Johnston were appointed members of the party committee.

#### MATHEMATICS SOCIETY

Lost in Northampton Court in England with no idea of how to get in or out! No member of the Mathematics Society will ever have that experience for at the meeting held in 240 after school Friday, Jane Leeper, chairman of the program committee, showed the club how to get in and out of this labyrinth of gardens when she spoke on "Mazes." Marian Cosmey, a member of the organization, played a piano solo.

The rest of the meeting was devoted to business. The constitution was amended to the effect that the club should have dues. Plans were partly completed for a Christmas party to be held on Friday, December 19.

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### PINE MANOR GIRLS RAISE MEMORIALS

(Continued from Page One)  
vices on June 1, 1924, which Virginia was to have attended.

The greatest thing that her classmates have done is to endow a bed in her memory, at the Children's Convalescent Home at Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts. It costs five hundred dollars to do this, and the girls have raised all of that amount themselves except one hundred dollars which Mr. and Mrs. Pearce sent to them.

Besides being president of Central's Student Association, Virginia was a member of Student Control, Student Club, was in the Road Show, and altogether was active in practically every organization during her high school career. She was a member of Omaha's royal court of Ak-Sar-Ben.

As the flapper says, "Oh, how U-nequel!"

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### K F C Z NOTES

Three Central high school students, Kenneth Shirk, 9DUO, Paul Maxwell, 9EGA, and Donald Fetterman, 9AL, were recently appointed to the technical committee of the Citizen's Radio Club, a local organization of radio enthusiasts. Their duty will be to provide topics for study and discussion.

Every Saturday evening at 11:30, pipe organ programs are broadcast over KFCZ. Listeners are asked to write to KFCZ telling how they enjoyed the program. Each letter is numbered, and the numbers are put in a box and shaken up. A drawing is then held and the prize-winning letter is awarded a prize. Last Saturday, Melvin Shrier of Perrysburg, Ohio, won a set of Brandies head phones.

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The program to be broadcast over KFCZ December 18 at 7:30 is in charge of Mrs. Elsie Howe Swanson. An artists program will be broadcast tonight at 7:30.

WNAL, Central's other station, will be on the air Friday, December 19 at 7:30. An artists program in charge of Hazel Belt will be broadcast.

The Rialto programs are broadcast over KFCZ every afternoon at 3:00 except on Saturday.



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# ATHLETICS



## SWIMMERS PLAN ANOTHER TRYOUT FOR NEW TALENT

Standard Requirements to Determine Selection of Entrants

Attention Central fishes! A new tryout is to be held after Christmas vacation and all men will be required to pass certain tests to make the swimming team. The exact date has not been set but it is expected to be either the first or second Tuesday after the vacation.

It has been decided that all freshmen wishing to make the squad must swim 50 yards in 39 seconds, all sophomores in 35 seconds, all juniors in 33 seconds, and all seniors must cover the distance in at least 32 seconds. This time only applies to those wishing to make the speed tryouts. All men trying out for the plunge must go 35 feet except the seniors who must go 40 feet. The divers must exhibit good form to make this squad.

Gym Club girls are still trying out in 415 for parts in their Road Show act, The Toy Shop. The cast will be announced after Christmas.

## PURPLE GRIDMEN RECEIVE LETTERS AT BIG BANQUET

Seventy-one Oval Chasers Are Guests—Ends 1924 Grid Season

"Athletics have played an important part in the history of the human race ever since two monkeys hung by their tails from adjacent trees and exchanged forward passes with coconuts." This statement by J. F. Woolery inaugurated Central's annual football banquet Wednesday at which seventy-one moleskin followers received "O's", "R's", and numerals for their good work for the past year on the Purple grid. The big supper held in the cafeteria was a fitting conclusion for Central's 1924 grid season proclaimed by the coaches, speakers, and players alike to have been successful in every respect.

Diet was cast to the winds after three months of "bread and water." After the meal vice-principal Woolery, as toastmaster, introduced the speakers. F. W. Jeffries expressed his gratitude for the excellent showing made by the team, and M. E. Muxen, another guest of the evening, hoped that each player would show the same spirit in the classroom as on the field.

Coach Schmidt thanked every man for his devotion in practice and good spirit. L. N. Bexten, F. Y. Knapple, F. H. Gulgard, G. E. Barnhill, Andrew Nelsen and Principal J. G. Masters helped to make the banquet a success.

Besides the sixteen letter men, thirty-two "R's" were given:

Harold Barris	Findley McGrew
Sam Bender	George McKee
Dave Bleicher	Harley Moorhead
Glen Cackley	Bert Mortensen
Neale Carmichael	Joe O'Hanlon
Jerry Cheek	Murray Peterson
Willoughby Connor	Clarence Pritchard
Russel Doty	Arthur Pirruccello
Dana Eastman	Bert Redgwick
Henry Glade	Earl Saar
Charles Haas	Bernard Schimmel
Edward Kurtz	Frank Sutphen
Carl Lindell	Grenville Thomas
George Logan	Deloss Thompson
Marvin Lundgren	Ernest Weymuller
George McIntyre	Deloss Thompson

The following received numerals:

Harlan Haulman	Jesse Schalle
John Hauser	Norman Summers
Leslie Huff	John Thomas
Walter Ingram	Moorehead Tukey
Wesley Langol	Glysses Watson
Alvin Lindell	Ralph Wellman
Willis Melcher	Raymond Wirchler
Leland Moore	John Wright
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## COMPETITION STRONG FOR CAGE POSITIONS

After the first week of cage practice many promising men are being disclosed and the squad is fast developing into regular players. This first week has been devoted to training the proteges about how to handle the ball in dribbling, in passing, and in pivoting.

This week is being devoted to the formation of the team and to scrimmaging. The men are divided and play against each other in order to get practice in the fine points of the game.

This scrimmaging will continue during the latter part of the Christmas vacation beginning on December 29. It is expected that this practice will be held with the University of Omaha squad.

This year's team ought to have a good showing at the state championship if the players keep practicing the way they have been and develop speed on the floor, according to Coach Knapple. "The turnout here at Central is better than what I had at Sutton in so much as it is larger, and I have more men to pick from," was the way the coach put it.

In as much as the games start just after the beginning of school after the Christmas vacation, much has to be done in the molding of a championship squad. The team will start their practice at the North high gym after vacation, just as soon as the baskets are up.

## Twenty-five Men Will Work for Hoop Honors

Out of the promising aspirants to cage jobs, Coach Knapple has picked twenty-five men. From this group Central's 1925 basketball team will be molded. A week of practice is showing up excellent material for the squad.

Joe Burkhardt	Collins Lee
Charles Chadwell	Thomas Love
Wallace Chadwell	Wallace Marrow
Jerry Cheek	Charles Mallison
Clement Clark	Matthew Muxen
Henry Clark	Philip Price
Bill Egan	Emmanuel
Paul Fetterman	Robertson
Leon Fouts	Ben Stiphen
Henry Glade	Weldon Solomon
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## Three Basketball "O" Men Return to Purple Floor



ROBERTSON

Three letter men of last year will return to the basketball fold this year. They will form a foundation around which Coach Knapple hopes to build a real team. With the aid of these experienced basketeers, a well balanced quintet is assured. Horacek plays center, while Robertson and Marrow usually hold down the forward positions.

Central has thirteen games on the regular schedule, Sioux City, St. Joe, and Lincoln will clash with the Purple aggregation twice during the season.



HORACEK

## SIXTEEN GRID STARS RECEIVE PURPLE "O'S"

The ultimate in high school grid attainment is the Purple football "O", awarded each year by the coaches to those men on the first squad who measure up to the required degree of efficiency. Sixteen letters were given Wednesday at the football banquet. This is three more than were issued last year.

Leo Chalkin	Wilbur Jones
Henry Clarke	Ray Lepicier
Bill Egan	Wallace Marrow
Don Gorton	Alvin Mooney
Elmer Greenberg	Matthew Muxen
James Hamilton	Fred Oliver
Frank Horacek	"Manny" Robertson
Ralph Jeffries	Weldon Solomon

Central high school's basketball squad is rapidly being whipped into shape by Coach F. Y. Knapple. The new Purple hoop mentor claims that it will be no easy matter this year to make the Central five.

## Girls' Sports

Hockey is over. With the awarding last week of 5 points toward an O to 13 girls who displayed skill in navigating on the hockey field and faithfulness in turning up at 32nd and Dewey on Monday afternoons, the Hockey season officially closed.

The girls who received the 5 points are Lila Showalter, Catherine Allen, Sue Hall, Ruth Stark, Bernice Elliott, Edith Grau, Fredricka Campbell, Lois Reichenberg, Ruth Richardson, Vera Hansen, Emily Rutter, Gertrude Welch, and Adah Allen.

Great enthusiasm is shown by the sixty-five girls who appeared last Wednesday night in room 425 for the first volley ball practice. Miss Elinor Bennett is coaching them.

Good material was revealed at the various girls' cage practices this last week. Miss Marion Gray, coach, says the juniors, especially, show stellar work.



MARROW

## Season Opens Jan. 9

Coach F. Y. Knapple's hoopsters will open up the basketball season January 9 when they tackle the Bluffs five.

The head Purple mentor has not yet decided upon a regular lineup, but hopes to put a good squad on the hardwood floor.

Marrow, Robertson, and Horacek are probably making the strongest bids for positions on the squad.

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## Sport Comment

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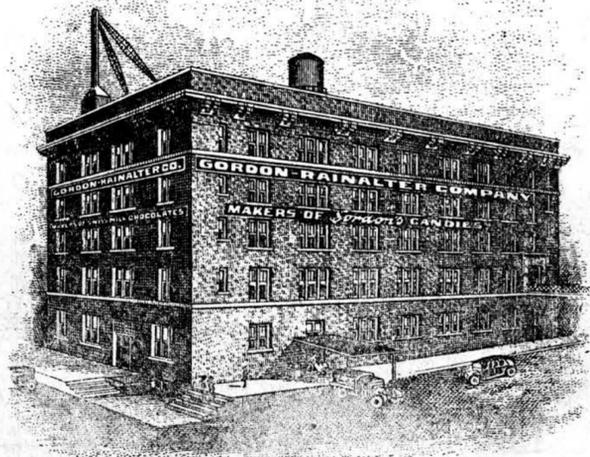
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## VETERANS GROOMED TO BOOST PURPLE 1925 CAGE TEAM

Marrow, Robertson, and Horacek Slated to Return to Central's Crew

### ALL WORKING HARD

Central has a bright outlook to have another fine cage team this year with many of the old players back and many new ones showing up with fine speed and ability.

Robertson and Marrow, two of last year's letter men, are back and should land the forward positions without much trouble. Horacek is another man from last year and should hold down center. It is not certain whether H. Clarke will be back this year because he has been having some trouble with his eyes.

Three men battling hard for the guard positions and with good chances of landing them are Muxen, Chaikin, and Solomon, all having subbed last year. Bleicher has also been playing a good game and may land the guard position.

Cheek, Fetterman, and Egan are playing a good game at either the guard or forward positions and can be relied upon as reserves. Lee is another forward who has displayed fine style at that position.

C. Clarke and Foutz have been making themselves conspicuous on the floor at the forward positions. Foutz has injured his nose, and it is doubtful if he will be able to continue practice, but Clarke will make a good man with more practice.

Burkhart is another possibility for the center position, having played a bang up game in the inter-group tournament. Besides center, he can also play the forward position.

### FEMININE HOOPSTERS PLAN INTERCLASS MEET AFTER XMAS

Feminine hoopsters appeared in gratifying numbers at the first round up last Tuesday in 415. Miss Marion Gray, the coach, is quite pleased with the material and a rip-roaring season is in sight.

After Christmas vacation, a big interclass tournament is planned, and work in preparation of this annual event has been started.

Practices, all to be in 415, will be held as follows:

- Seniors, Tuesday and Friday.
- Juniors, Wednesday.
- Sophomores, Thursday.

### First Team Hoopsters to Practice at North Gym

A great inducement has been secured for first team basketball practice in the way of improved facilities. Through the efforts of the coaches the North high gym has been secured for each Monday and Wednesday. This new gym has a playing floor of 46 by 85 feet. A seating capacity of 1000 makes it an ideal place to play, and it is possible that some scheduled games will come off on this floor, according to Coach Knapple.

Permission to use the North hardwood floor was secured from Fred Hill, assistant principal at North high, and former basketball coach at Central.

Girls of Central started their regular basketball practice Friday after school.

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### TOURNEY RESULTS

Football season is now over and all eyes will soon be turned to the indoor sport of basketball. The team needs the same old fighting spirit that the student body instilled in the men on the grid oval.

Although football is supposed to be a game where a larger amount of pep can be displayed than in any other activity, just attend a cage game and see the pep rise in yourself. Now, the team expects you and your friends to be at the first game at Council Bluffs on January 9 and to come to every game thereafter. Boost the team at every chance and have confidence that they will win the championship and then watch them do it.

### PURPLE FANS TO MISS FORMER CAGE STARS

Lawson, Gerelick, Now Attending Nebraska University—Others Also Gone

When the Central high school cage team swings into action within the next few weeks, the Purple hoopsters will be minus the services of five of the best cage artists that Central has ever developed.

The Central hoopsters are now being moulded into fine fettle under the eagle optics of Coach F. Y. Knapple, who will commandeer the Central five this year. The head Purple mentor has plenty of material to work with and indications point toward a banner year for the Purple and White hardwood artists.

Despite the fact that the Purple will have a fairly good team in the run this year, Central fans will not be able to see some of the best talent that Central has developed, due to graduation. Those stars who will not report this year are Lawson, Percival, Gerelick, Church, and Forcade.

Lawson and Gerelick are now attending the University of Nebraska. From reports from the Cornhusker hardwood floor encampment, these Omahans are groomed to make the kettle hot for last year's Nebraska hoopsters.

While playing with the Purple, Lawson was considered to be one of the best guards in the state of Cornhuskerland. In the big game against Tech last year, it will be remembered that "Vint" rarely let his man out of sight. Philip Gerelick, Lawson's running mate, also proved to be an able cager.

The other veterans Church, Percival, and Forcade cannot be forgotten. Percival as a center could not be beat. Forcade and Church were able forwards during the entire season. Church in particular depended upon his speed and his unusual cunning eye to locate the hole from all angles of the floor.

"Volleyball will start tomorrow." To all girls interested in athletics, Miss Elinor Bennett sends forth this call. Wednesday will probably be the day for practice.

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## Tech to Lose Entire Backfield by Graduation—Has Excellent Reserves

"Omaha" is once more engraved in Nebraska's hall of fame.

By defeating Cambridge recently for the state football championship, Technical high school gridsters carried the name "Omaha" to various parts of the country. The record established by the Drummonders is very remarkable, though it seems that they were regarded as a second rate aggregation before the season really commenced.

With the championship, Tech also realizes that some of the state's best moleskinned warriors are in the midst of their ranks. The Cuming street backfield will be entirely gone when the season opens next year. But the fans can stop and notice that a wealth of second string material, rather beefy too, is coming to the assistance of Coach Drummond.

One of Tech's great successes is its seemingly impregnable forward wall. Year after year Drummond seems to mould out a formidable "7" that hold the line like a stone barrier.

### O-CLUB GIRLS WILL OFFICIATE AT GRADE SCHOOL VOLLEY MEET

O-Club girls are refereeing games in the grade school volleyball tournament at North, South, and Technical high schools. Ten points for O's may be won by doing this every Saturday morning for three months.

Girls have been assigned to the three schools as follows: South, Ruth Richardson, Helen Dodson; North, Marjorie Meyers, Dorothy Zimmerman, Fredrika Campbell, Maxine White. Technical: Vivian Wrenn, Lucille Gannon, Ethel Ricks, Audrey Potter, Vera Hansen, Marjorie Gangstead, Christine Rullman, Dorothy Smith, Elsie Sopher, Oletha Jugram.

### THREE PURPLE MEN ON ALL-STATE TEAMS

Heinie Clarke, stellar Purple wing man, secured an all-state position on the Omaha Bee's mythical eleven. During the entire season Clarke played one of the most consistent games of his career. He is a menace to the opposing backs and capable of booting the leather between forty and fifty yards when called upon.

The World Herald's mythical football team placed Marrow and Muxen, both Centralites, in the first ranks. Marrow was considered to be one of the fastest halfbacks in Nebraska last season, while Muxen performed satisfactorily at the fullback post.

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cade. When once the Maroon backfield swings into action, the line momentarily sweeps the oncoming tacklers off their feet.

Thus disappears one of Omaha's strongest football teams. Zust, Holm, and Charquist are slated to enter the school of Coach "Snap-It-Up" Dawson at Lincoln, while Swartz plans to turn professional this summer when he tries out with Barney Burch's Buffaloes. Many of the linemen also graduate.

### COACH KNAPPLE SOUNDS INITIAL HOOP CALL

Bexten Announces the First Stringers Will Use North Gym—Tourney Ended

A loud and long first call for regular basketball practice was blown yesterday afternoon by Coach Knapple. The announcement was made at a basketball meeting preceding the final games of the cage tournament in which the Bruisers battled the North Omahans for the championship title.

The Jr. Flippers, Hoopsters and Centralites tied for second place in the second division. It was therefore decided by the Basketball committee to let each team play one quarter with the Long Tigers of the first division and allow the quintette making the best showing to battle the fourth quarter against the Tigers.

In regular practice the freshmen and sophomores will use the South gym, and the East gym will be occupied by the juniors and seniors. The first team will use the North gym, according to L. N. Bexten.

The cage tournament has been successful from beginning to end. Each team has met every other contender in its class. In all, the twelve contestants have engaged in five games apiece, giving every man good experience besides showing the coaches what he can do.

Anyone desiring to try out in regular practice may procure a locker upon application to Coach Schmidt.

Snow and cold weather have put the finishing touches on hockey. The final team will be announced some time this week by Miss Elinor Bennett, who piloted the girls through a strenuous season which started early in September and ended last week.

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### INDOOR BASKETBALL

The following scores give the results of the cage tournament with the exception of the finals in each division played Monday night. The scores are compared on a percentage basis by dividing the number of games won by the number played.

First division:	Won	Lost	Per Cent
Bruisers	5	0	1000
Long Tigers	4	1	800
Independents	2	3	400
Flippers	2	3	400
O-Club	2	3	400
Medalists	0	5	0
Second Division:	Won	Lost	Per Cent
North Omahans	5	0	1000
Jr. Flippers	3	2	600
Hoopsters	3	2	600
Centralites	3	2	600
Leather Shovers	1	4	200
Home Brewers	0	5	0



The Central high school tanksters are rapidly plunging into form for the coming swimming season. Indications point toward a successful year in the pool.

North high will enter a football team in the field this coming season.

The inter-class basketball tournament was one of the most successful that Central has ever had. The youngsters participating in the tourney displayed rare form in the various games.

Coach F. Y. Knapple predicts that the Purple will have one of the best hoop teams this season. With three veterans around which he hopes to build his nucleus, the new mentor hopes to have Central well represented on the hardwood floor this year.

## CENTRAL PLUNGERS PRACTICING HARD FOR COMING YEAR

Captain Thomas Working to Put Purple Tanksters in Good Form

### STATE MEET IN JAN.

Central's swimming crew has been practicing faithfully for the last month and has the goods to chow for it in the way of improvement. The star on its horizon is the big State Swimming Meet, in which the Purple splashers bid fair to repeat the standard of excellence set in previous contests.

Although practice makes a swimming team, there is always the opposite danger of over workout before a crucial test, according to Captain "Bill" Thomas. For this reason, there will be no hard practice until after Christmas vacation.

The Nebraska State Swimming meet, has been postponed and is now scheduled to come off the latter part of January. In the meantime, Thomas expects to get the team into top-notch condition.

The individual men have been showing up good lately. "Dick" Hayden, one of Central's stellar free-style swimmers, recently broke the state record for 50 yard free-style in an unofficial tryout. His time was 26.2 sec. against the official record of 27.2. Paul Enger has also distinguished himself in this line, and Clarke Powell is displaying good form in diving. In fact, if the present progress continues, Central will meet her rivals of the aqua with the best of chances for a win.

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