

## LATIN ASIDES

Granddaughter Graduates Seventh Annual Loquax Hall Family Active Greek in Curriculum

Sixty or eighty years is a long time in the history of a midwestern school down near the banks of a muddy river on the edge of prairie and sand hills.

Seventy-seven years ago in November a young man from Williams college began to teach the first public high school in Omaha. His grandson, now a student at Central, relates elsewhere on this page a simple and factual tale of his family and their connection with Omaha High school and Central High school from 1859 to 1936.

Sixty years ago in June, in the first class to be graduated from Omaha High school, was a young lady whose granddaughter will be graduated next month from the same school from which her grandmother, father, and mother were graduated. The granddaughter recounts her grandmother's memories of that first class, when Capitol square was on the extreme west fringe of town and signs, "This way to China," made light of the muddy streets.

Other students, too, represent the third generation at Central, for many are here whose parents were also. Central High is in the process of obtaining a history, a tradition.

Loquax, in its seventh annual edition of the Central High Register published by the Latin department, dedicates this issue to the class of '76, to all the classes since then of grandparents and parents, and to our posterity!

R. S. Hall was vice president of the Omaha High School Literary and Debating society for the spring term of 1875. He was able to enter the Washington University Law school in the fall of 1876 without finishing high school. He was graduated the next year and came back to Omaha to practice law. He served on the board of education for three years in the eighties.

His son, R. Ware Hall, was graduated from O.H.S. in 1906. He also took an active part in debating clubs. He had four years of Latin and three of Greek in high school and one year of each at Yale university.

The third generation is Richard S. Hall, a freshman, who is now taking Latin II.

Greek was offered at Central High school from about 1874 to 1924, beginning with a class of one student taught by Mr. Kellom.

Later teachers of Greek were Mr. Lewis, principal of the school, and the Misses Snyder, Peterson, Copeland, and Fulton.

The course consisted of three years' grammar, the Anabasis, and six books of Homer's Iliad.

Miss May Copeland, former Central Latin teacher who retired in 1931, was the first girl to go to Vassar from Omaha High school. Since she had only one foreign language, she returned to high school for a post-graduate year, in which she took three years of Greek at one time and reviewed mathematics.

When she began teaching in Central, advanced Latin pupils read eight complete orations of Cicero, one term of Horace, six complete books of Vergil's Aeneid, and some Ovid.

## Latin Society Begun Here 33 Years Ago

Organized Under Leadership of Misses Paxson and Rooney

Thirty-three years ago Central beaux and belles became bored with all study and no play; so, under the leadership of Miss Ellen Rooney and Miss Susan Paxson, they organized a Latin society which was to be a combination of both, with printed programs for a whole year.

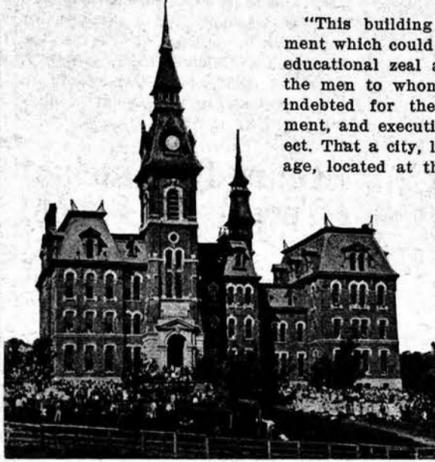
Beulah Buckley, Central sweetheart of 1903, was the first president, while other charter officers included Raymond Steel, Frank Willis, and Carol Marhoff, now Mrs. Pitts, the director of Central's well-known a cappella choir.

In 1903 Lyman Bryson and Hugh Robertson debated earnestly how "Caesar had a more amiable character than Cicero." Two years later Bryson was president of the club. Now he is a prominent lecturer and writer. In the same year May Hall, now Mrs. Miles Greenleaf, played the part of Dido in an episode taken from Aeneid. Leslie Higgins was Aeneas and Clarence Schneider had the part of Mercury. Cecil Berryman, pianist, Carroll Belden, John McCague, and Arthur Potter were eagerly flogged by the teacher in "A Roman School." Dr. Clyde Moore, pediatrician, was also prominent then.

Those were the days when haberdashers advertised the latest in rubber collars for cadets to take to camp. And boys and girls, after their strenuous labors in Latin classes and Latin society, gathered at the drug

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## New Omaha High School Building; First Occupied in September, 1872



"This building is the grandest monument which could have been erected to the educational zeal and business sagacity of the men to whom the city and state are indebted for the conception, encouragement, and execution of such a noble project. That a city, less than twenty years of age, located at the gateway of what was until recently designated as a desert, and in the youngest state of the Union, should have dedicated such a building to the free education of the present and future generations, is a marvel to all who behold it." — Quoted from Superintendent of Schools Nightingale's annual report of 1874.

By WILLIAM KENNEDY '37

July 1, 1855, saw the opening of Omaha's first school. The school, consisting of one room in the old state house on Ninth street, and having an enrollment of 40 pupils, was taught by Miss J. Adelaide Goodwill, later Mrs. Allen Root. The meeting of the second territorial legislature about the middle of December caused the end of the school term. In 1856 was another short term, and in 1858 no school at all.

The next year, however, under the first territorial school law, the actual public school system of Omaha began. On the first board of trustees was Dr. G. C. Monell, grandfather of the late Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock. This board in November, 1859, brought my grandfather, Howard Kennedy, from New York under a year's contract of \$1,000. He became Omaha's first superintendent of schools and first high school principal. With the aid of four women assistants he conducted school in the old State House, teaching the high school course himself and supervising the women teachers. He had been trained at Williams college.

**Start New Building**  
After one year he went back to New York, remaining until 1865, when he returned to Nebraska. During this time the school enrollment had increased. To meet expenses during the hard years of 1861-62 tuition was charged: The upper grades paid \$12 and \$8 a year, the primary \$4. J. H. Kellom, Miss Smiley, and S. D. Beals were some of the high

school instructors in these years.

Pictured above is Omaha High school, the first high school building to be built in Omaha. On February 15, 1869, the old capitol building and grounds were by legislative act presented to the city of Omaha, "for the purpose of a high school, college, or other institution of learning, and for no other purpose whatever;" a board of high school regents was appointed to have charge. Since the capitol building was judged defective, a new building, begun in the fall of 1870, was finished in the spring of 1872 at a cost of \$225,000. The grounds were valued at more than \$75,000.

**School Board Formed**

Students of today do not realize how eminent the high school once was; the hill, then ungraded, towered above the city and from the high school down to Sixteenth and Dodge was a steep descent. Many large and beautiful trees surrounded the building of 1872.

That winter, through the energetic efforts of Edward Rosewater, founder of the Omaha Bee, the state legislature abolished the old board of high school regents and the board of common school directors. Control of all Omaha schools was given to one board of education, consisting of two members from each ward. Of this board, organized in April, 1872, Gov. Alvin Saunders and Howard Kennedy, my grandfather, represented the fourth ward. Under this charter A. F. Nightingale was first superintendent of Omaha schools; his term

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## Lee Grimes Takes First Prize of \$10 in Annual Susan Paxson Latin Examinations in Section on Vergil; Harry Seagren High for Cicero

Out of 63 students who took the annual Susan Paxson examinations the following won cash awards:

- Vergil**
1. Lee Grimes—\$10
  2. Bonnie Young—\$6
  3. Sol Wezelman—\$5
- Cicero**
1. Harry Seagren—\$7
  2. Naomi Harnett—\$4
  3. Jeanette Wilkinson—\$3

- Caesar**
1. Ephraim Gershter—\$5
  2. John Cockle—\$3
  3. Jim Haugh—\$2

On April 1 all Latin students eligible to enter took examinations in Room 120 under supervision of Miss Jane Fulton, Latin instructor. Prizes are awarded on the basis of the examinations.

To Miss Paxson, whose bequest of a thousand dollars to the classics department made these contests possible, Latin students owe a great deal. Miss Paxson, head of the Latin department from 1917 to 1922, had two degrees from the University of Iowa. She came to Central High in 1897 as a teacher of Latin and retired in 1922 on account of illness. While she taught, she wrote three Latin plays: "A Roman School," produced here in 1911 by twenty boys; "A Roman Wedding"; and "Roma Non Delenda Est"; the latter were published by Ginn and Company. "Roma Non Delenda Est" was given before the Nebraska State Teachers' association in 1916 and before the Classical association in Omaha in April, 1918.

Miss Paxson passed away June 7, 1922. In her will, written in her own handwriting, she bequeathed one thousand dollars "to the department of ancient languages of Central High school, Omaha, as a nucleus of the fund that I hope may be increased by friends who believe in Latin and

Greek to promote interest in the study of these languages."

Former pupils of Miss Paxson who have sons or daughters taking Latin speak very highly of her and with much pleasure. Among these are: Alan Tukey, father of Catherine Ann; George Grimes, father of Lee and Tom; and Merrill C. Rohrbough, father of Betty and Jack, who have completed two years of Latin.

## Present Latin Club Organized in 1930

The present Latin club was organized in January, 1930, by members of Mrs. Bessie Rathbun's Cicero class, among them such prominent Centralites as Robert E. Johnson, the first president, Raymond Young, Ellet Drake, Donald Ross, and others. Members of the class presented a play, "Medicus," which they gave before the State Teachers' convention and at North High school. Through it they became so enthusiastic that they formed a Latin club in which to produce plays and other features.

The club has also presented other plays; a paper, our own Loquax, which is an anniversary number this issue; and annual banquets held in the first semester of every year, each working out a different theme. At this year's banquet, celebrating the bi-millennium of Horace, a play was given enacting stages in the poet's life, with odes sung in his honor.

The membership of the club has increased from fifty-one to ninety-five in six years, which shows growing interest in the subject. Mrs. Rathbun has continued as efficient sponsor since the reorganization of the club. Mrs. Bernice S. Engle has acted as adviser and manager of Loquax.

## Mrs. S. Rees Essay Contest Prize Winner

'Why My Son (or Daughter) Is Taking Latin' Topic; Many Excellent Entries

JUDGED BY TEACHERS

Mrs. Samuel Rees was awarded first prize in the essay contest held for parents of Central High Latin students on the subject, "Why My Son (or Daughter) Is Taking Latin." Mrs. Rees, nee Ruth Harding, was graduated from Central as were her husband, Mr. Samuel Rees, and three of her children. A son, Ben, is taking Latin II.

The judges in the contest were Dr. L. V. Jacks, chairman of classics at Creighton university, Miss Alice West, English instructor at Central, and Mrs. Bernice S. Engle, head of the Latin department.

Other interesting articles were submitted by Messrs. S. H. Chambers, A. D. Frank, and Major Wilfred Higgins; by Mesdames Genevieve Gulou, Winifred Moore, Alice P. Maxwell, A. Greenspan, and H. F. McGrane. Mr. Samuel Rees wrote a skit entitled "Somnium Patris Familias."

The judges emphasize the great difficulty of choosing a winning article from so many excellent entries.

For her prize Mrs. Rees chose "The Last Puritan," by George Santayana. Her article follows:

### WHY MY SON IS TAKING LATIN

In this day of over-crowded grade school classes and too many grade school subjects necessarily taught too hurriedly by over-worked teachers, altogether too many children are thrust into high schools with little idea of how to study or how to organize their work.

The value of Latin soon becomes apparent. Pupils discover that superficial methods no longer answer, for Latin is a precise language with rigid constructions and exacting rules. It requires and consequently develops observation, analysis, and memory—all good habits—which are soon applied to the other studies.

Latin study leads to better understanding of English, partly due to the Latin ancestry of many English words, but chiefly because the necessities of translation force improvement in ability of expression and better understanding of the much-neglected rules of our own language.

The study of Latin is a foundation for the study not only of English but of all languages. Some are direct descendants, and as for the others the habits of study formed in mastering Latin and the understanding of its principles are easily applied to all of them.

And finally, in the study of Latin there is the pleasure of accomplishing a task sometimes difficult, sometimes, perhaps, a little tedious, but which, when completed, brings to life again in the light of our own times the thoughts which were the dominant ideas of one of the most important periods of the world's history.

## School Library Buys Recent Roman Books

Biographies of Living Personalities and Heroic Warriors

If the history of the past is the instructor of the present, within the last few years American literature has amassed a large collection of revealing examples. Especially has a flood of books on Rome, fiction and non-fiction, appeared. The biographies are of living personalities, and the adventures are those of heroic warriors. Among these are numerous stories which make very enjoyable reading. A list of recent editions owned by Central High library is below:

- Freedom, Farewell!—Bentley
- Caesar's Mantle—Mainzer
- Augustus—Birkenfeld
- Hail, Caesar—Pratt
- Golden Peacock—Atherton
- Monuments and Men of Ancient Rome—Showerman
- Rome and the World Today—Hadley
- Twelve Centuries of Rome—Baker
- Cicero, a Study—Richards
- The Jew of Rome—Feuchtwanger
- Claudius the God—Graves
- The Religion of Vergil—Bailey
- The Roman Way—Hamilton
- Rome for Sale—Lindsay
- Tros of Samothrace—Mundy
- Purple Pirate—Mundy
- Somewhere an Empire—Healy
- Within the Walls—Vaughan
- Festival at Meron—Sackler
- What If This Friend?—Hanson
- The Scarlet Beast—Gerard
- Swords in the North—Anderson

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## Principal Praises Former Instructor



Miss Snyder

Mr. E. E. McMillan, principal of North High school, former vice principal of Central, said of Miss Snyder, "She was untiring in her work and held a very high professional standard of teaching. She had a very fine personal character which had a great deal to do with her success. Miss Snyder, Miss Paxson, and Miss Rooney were all highly successful teachers, also, because they believed so thoroughly in the value of the study of Latin."

## Former Teachers Revealed by Query

Questionnaire Prepared by Latin Department Answered by the Parents of Present Pupils

Parents of Central students who attended Central mention among their Latin teachers Homer P. Lewis, Earl J. Kelsey, Bessie Snyder, Susan Paxson, Ellen Rooney, Claire Rustin, May Copeland, Elizabeth Craven, Nona Bridge, Anna Peterson, Mary MacIntosh Bath, Janet Wallace Curtis, Zora Shields, Jessie Towne, Mabel Sterling, Lillian Timms, Florence Cook, and Jane Fulton.

Miss Copeland, Mrs. Craven, Miss Rooney, retired, live in Omaha; Mrs. Curtis lives in the East; Mrs. Bath is a member of the present Board of Education; Miss Towne is assistant principal and dean of girls; and Miss Shields is head librarian at Central. Mr. Lewis, Miss Paxson, and Miss Snyder are no longer living.

Information gathered from 116 questionnaires filled out by parents shows that 100 had one semester to four full years of Latin in high school. Twenty parents took one or more semesters in college.

**Opinions Differ**

Many former students, the Mesdames Alice Pritchard Maxwell, Hildred Churchill Stult, Louise Shad-duck Zabriske, Dorothy Henderson, Erma Jones York, Laura Myers Johnson, Lorna Travis Crowley, Nell Brown Bickel, Frances Allyn Combs, and Dora Olsen Carney, and the Messrs. Thomas E. Allen, William Chuda, Charles G. Johnson, and H. C. Parker have found their previous study of Latin valuable.

Several parents believe that too much time should not be spent on Latin—not more than two years, and that the course, optional always, should be organized so as to obtain the maximum value in that time. Mrs. Helen Hendrie Morton, herself a former Latin teacher, Merrill and Helen Heaton Rohrbough, and Mrs. Luella Petersen Le Mar are of this opinion.

A few parents, as Jack Raapke and Ellen Becker Appleby, consider Latin of not enough permanent value.

Frank Malm, Mabel Whitehouse Carlson, and Amelia Mercer Hartman, among others, relate anecdotes about Miss Paxson and Miss Rooney.

## Mr. Kelsey First Latin Supervisor

According to available records, Mr. Earl J. Kelsey was the first Latin teacher to be designated head of the Latin department. He left in 1899.

In the fall of that year Miss Bessie Snyder was appointed head. She had come to the high school ten years earlier, a graduate of Westminster college. She resigned in 1917. She was succeeded as head by Miss Susan Paxson, whose career is described elsewhere in this paper. In 1922 Miss Ellen Rooney became head, retiring in 1928.

Miss Sara Vore Taylor, head of the constructive English department, thus characterized the three women in the November 16, 1928, issue of the Register: "Miss Rooney is the last of a remarkable triumvirate—Miss Bessie Snyder, Miss Susan Paxson, Miss Ellen Rooney—under whose leadership an exceptional department of Latin has been developed over a span of 29 years."

## Central Grads of Class of 76 Now Scattered

Nine Girls, Two Boys Made Up First Class; No Trace Found of One Member

STUDENTS PROMINENT

By MARTHA WOODBRIDGE

Sixty years ago Central High school, then Omaha High, celebrated a memorable occasion—the first formal graduation ceremony. The first class consisted of nine girls and two boys. Many of them have since died, a few live in distant cities, and no trace can be found of one.

Mrs. Esther Jacobs Rosenberg, a member of the class, is the mother of Pauline and Edwin Rosenberg, both Central High graduates. Four children of Mrs. J. F. McConnell, who was Bertha Isaacs, also were graduated from Central.

Two students, Stacia Crowley and Ida Goodman, became teachers in Omaha schools. Mrs. Addie Gladstone Gross' daughter, Irma Gross, taught here for several years after graduation. Henry Estabrook, a former member of the class who left to attend college, was later a candidate for presidential nomination.

**Mathematics Featured**

To me the most important member of the class was Fannie Wilson, who became Mrs. Sands F. Woodbridge, sr., my grandmother. Her reminiscences of school in those days are very interesting. High school was very different when grandmother was a girl. The curriculum included a smattering of everything. All students had to study the same subjects. The principal of the school was J. H. Kellom, and R. E. Gaylord was assistant. Theodore Decker, a part-time German teacher, Job Babin, W. H. Smith, who succeeded Professor Gaylord, James H. Dodge, Alice Williams, and W. H. Meritt, who took the place of Professor Kellom, were also members of the faculty at one time or another.

"In mathematics," my grandmother said, "we took in succession algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and analytical geometry. Latin consisted of Aesop's Fables, Caesar, Cicero, extracts from Ovid and Curtius, and the Aeneid. Besides history and English, science was considered very important, and the course included botany, natural philosophy (physics), geology, meteorology, astronomy, and chemistry.

**Penmanship Taught**

"We had," she continued, "at one time a special teacher of penmanship, who paid daily visits. He was quite a dandy, and when he wore white duck trousers, the boys made him useful as a penwiper."

The class had extra-curricular activities, which were often in the form of plays and readings. "Miss Stacia Crowley and Miss Isaacs were especially gifted," my grandmother stated. "We also had a high school paper, the Excelsior. After a few years it became commercialized and was taken out of the school by the manager.

"The actual graduation ceremony was quite different from those of today. Our program consisted of eleven essays, two orations, two little plays, and a class song. The song was written by Miss Crowley and set to music by Martin Cahn, a former member of the class who left to study music abroad."

Grandmother added, "We had class rings, designed by Miss Crowley, bearing the letters O.H.S. in black enamel. The H was formed with the numerals 7 and 6, thus: 7-6."

**Latin Prizes Awarded**

Three Latin prizes were awarded the class for excellence and one, given by the Hon. A. J. Poppleton, first Omaha attorney, was won by Miss Fannie Wilson, my grandmother.

My father, Sands F. Woodbridge, jr., was graduated from Central High in 1913. He studied Latin for two and one-half years and appeared in two Latin plays written and directed by Miss Susan Paxson. My mother, who was Miss Margaret McFarlane, was graduated in 1916.

I, of the third generation, have also enjoyed my three years' study of Latin. I shall be graduated this June from the school of my grandmother, father, and mother. Instead of a class of 11 graduates, my class will have 377 boys and girls, of whom nearly half are boys.

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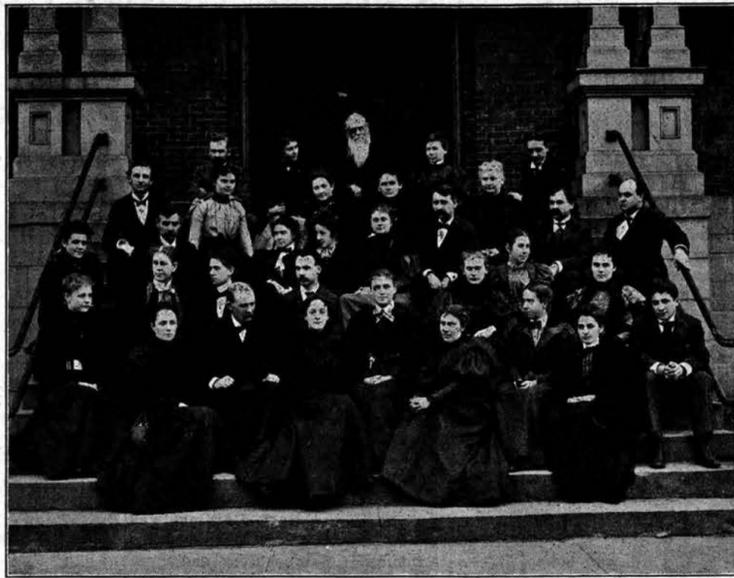
## Latin Society Begun Here 33 Years Ago

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 store to sip "Maple Crema," the favorite drink of high school youth. Five and ten years later the Latin society was flourishing with additional sponsors, such as Miss Zora Shields, Miss Anna Peterson, Miss Jane Fulton, and Miss May Copeland. In 1907 Dr. Calvin Davis, now a well-known physician, gave a recitation, "Rome," Another production of "The Roman School" was presented in 1908, in which leading roles were taken by fathers of several present Central students: Merrill Rohrbough, father of Jack and Betty; Stanley Beranek, father of Joy; Allan Tukey, father of Catherine Ann.

**Well Dressed Students of 1910**  
 The year 1910 and later: Girls wore middie blouses, high topped shoes with fifteen or twenty buttons, and white lawn frocks with yards and yards of ruffles and val lace. For basketball and other athletics they donned voluminous pleated bloomers that came far below the knees. The well-dressed boy bought a combination belt, four-in-hand, and hat band all to match. George Grimes, father of Lee and Tom, was an officer for three years in the Latin society, including president one year. Two new plays were added to the club's repertoire: "Roma Non Delenda Est" and "A Roman Wedding."

In the cast of the former were Barton Kuhns, Omaha attorney; Sol Rosenblatt, famous movie lawyer; Rodman Brown, Robert Buckingham, Lee Huff, Jr., and Clarence Bantlin. In "The Roman Wedding" cavorted Sands Woodbridge, jr., father of Martha, E. G. Cockrell, Lawrence McCague, and Frank Malm. Frank Malm is the father of Betty Malm, who had two years of Latin at Central, and whose maternal grandmother, Mrs. T. E. Sanders, belonged to the class of 1886.

## 1899 Faculty Picture Shows Styles of 'Gay Nineties'; Central High Under Principal Leviston in Horse and Buggy Days



### FACULTY OF 1899

Right to left, front row: Copeland, Roudsbush, Wigman, Towne, McHugh, Morse, Wallace, Snyder, Bernstein  
 2nd row: Landis, Valentine, Dinturff, McClintock, J. von Mansfelde, Adams, Browne  
 3rd row: Blake, Ogden, Evans, Walker, Leviston, Kelsey, Woolery  
 4th row: Read, M. Wheeler, Pfeiffer, Paxson, Quackenbush  
 Top row: Senter, Green, Beals, Okey, Brooke

## First Omaha School Opened July, 1855; Held in Single - Room State House on Ninth Street; Enrollment of Forty Students Taught by Miss J. Adelaide Goodwill; Year Started Under Territorial Legislature

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 was one year, his wages \$2,400. The first principal of the new high school was J. H. Kellom, whose wages were \$1,900. He taught all the subjects himself with the help of one assistant, who received \$750. A part time teacher of German got \$700. There were 60 pupils.  
 My grandfather was a member of the board for ten years; he was once president and twice vice president. In his honor Howard Kennedy school, built many years later, was named. On Thursday, January 21, 1873, King Kalakaua, of the Sandwich Islands, was a royal visitor at the high school, escorted by my grandfather. The king made a speech urging students to study hard and so gratify their parents.  
 During grandfather's tenure S. D. Beals and George B. Lane succeeded A. F. Nightingale as superintendent; J. H. Kellom, W. H. Meritt, C. H. Crawford, C. D. Hine, and Homer P. Lewis were successively principals of the high school. In 1882, when my grandfather left the board, there were 139 high school pupils and 6 teachers.  
 My father, Howard Kennedy, jr., was one of 20 graduates from Omaha High school in 1885. There were then 206 students and 11 teachers. My father took four years of Latin under Principal Lewis and Miss Claire Rustin, who married later Mr. J. H. McIntosh, now a distinguished New York lawyer of national reputation, uncle of Mrs. Mary McIntosh Bath, member of the Board of Education.  
 In the fall of 1886 my aunt, Ethelwynne Kennedy, now Mrs. Grigor, entered as a freshman. In December of that year the Register, a four-page biweekly paper, was started by Wallace Broatch and Herbert Taylor. In October of the next year the paper was changed into a monthly magazine; in this form it continued for

45 years. My aunt was on the editorial staff for 3 years. When she was graduated, in 1890, she wrote the class poem.  
 During the high school days of my father and my aunt two vocational departments were instituted. In 1885 a manual training department was installed in the basement at a cost of \$3,500. A. Buman was the first instructor.  
 In 1887-88 a cooking class lasted only part of a year because citizens and the Omaha Bee objected extensively to teaching a trade like cooking.  
 Military drill was started in 1886 by Wallace Broatch, who organized a volunteer company. The Thurston Rifles lent arms; the uniforms consisted of caps and belts. At the end of the second year, because of several accidents from a sham battle, the company was disbanded. A law introduced by Hon. H. D. Mercer in October, 1892, and passed by Congress detailed an officer from Fort Omaha to drill the high school boys. Lieutenants Penn and Clements were early commandants. H. M. Rogers, Ralph and Karl Connell, Harry Tukey, Joel Stebbins, H. A. Wigton, and R. L. Robison, father of Marjorie, were officers during early years. The band was organized in 1898. Girls organized Co. Z in 1896 but it did not continue long.  
 From its opening in 1872 the high school had also housed the Central grade school. In 1887, when my aunt was a sophomore, the high school enrollment had grown to 372, with

20 teachers; to give more room the seventh and eighth grades, after some opposition, were moved to other buildings. For three years afterwards various plans, involving two law suits, were advocated to take care of the remaining grades. Finally the supreme court in 1890 ruled that neither building nor grounds of capitol square could be used for "the mere primary department of the common schools." Central grade school was then erected on a site nearby and the grades housed there.  
 Even so, the high school building did not long remain adequate. In 1901 the east wing of the present building was begun and connected with the old building; following this, a south wing was constructed; during part of this time my cousin, Alfred Kennedy, was a student. The old building was then demolished and the new one finally completed in 1912, when my uncle, Alfred C. Kennedy, was on the school board.  
 In 1915 Room 117 became the library. Into it were gathered all available books and \$500 worth of new ones, mostly reference volumes. Miss Zora Shields taught three classes and kept the library open the rest of the time. Many patrons considered a high school library an unjustified extravagance. "High school students should study, not read," they said. Miss Towne and Mr. Woodland were

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## Moot Questions of Yesterday, Today

Several articles in the 1874 and 1875 issues of High School, publication of Omaha High School, argue for and against the teaching of Latin or German. One writer of 1874 urges "Young America to study rather how to make a wheelbarrow or a hoe, and the mode of using them, than the dead languages." In 1898 John Swenson and in 1900 George Parker and Willard Lampe wrote articles or speeches in defense of the classics. Ralph S. Connell, 1896, and O. T. Alvison, 1899, published essays in The Register on the benefit of military drill in the high schools.

## Kennedy Principal Territorial School

### Beals, Second Principal, Established High School in North Half of Old Nebr. State House

**Territorial**  
 1859-60—Howard Kennedy  
 1861-67—Samuel De Witt Beals, established high school in north half of old State House, near Ninth and Farnam streets.  
**Board of Education**  
 1872-75—John H. Kellom  
 1876-77—W. H. Meritt  
 1877-81—C. H. Crawford  
 1881-82—Charles D. Hine  
 1882-96—Homer P. Lewis  
 1896-99—Irwen Leviston  
 1899-1908—A. H. Waterhouse  
 1908-11—E. U. Graff  
 1911-14—Kate McHugh  
 1914-15—C. E. Reed  
 1915—J. G. Masters

## Vocabulary Test Shows Latin Big Aid to Exactness

### Students Having Highest Grades Former or Present Pupils of Ancient Language Classes

That the study of Latin is a decided help in building up one's vocabulary was shown by results of the Inglis tests taken in several classes at Central High recently. Of the three groups taking the test, Miss Jessie Towne's English VIII classes, the journalism department, and Mrs. Bernice Engle's and Miss Jane Fulton's Latin VIII classes, the third group had a higher rate in proportion to the other two. Because of their Latin origin such words as diurnal, pelagic, and animadversion, which stumped the English and journalism classes, were answered correctly by most Vergil students.  
 According to Johnson O'Connor of the Human Engineering laboratories, "An extensive knowledge of the exact meanings of English words accompanies outstanding success in this country more often than any other single characteristic which our laboratories have been able to isolate and measure."  
 A check-up of words most frequently missed in the tests reveals that proletarian ranks high. Evidently class consciousness has made little inroad on the intelligentsia of Central High.  
 The following made the highest average, that of a college graduate: Lee Grimes, Gray Burr, and Elaine Davis, all 91; Martha Woodbridge, 89; Mary Louise Votava, 88; Sol Wezelman, Betty Ann Pitts, and Peg Sheehan, all 86; and Jay Weisman, Natalie Buchanan, Margaret Hertz, and Richard D. Smith, 85; all but Elaine Davis and Betty Ann Pitts have had three years or more of Latin.

### Ancient Boners

Boners from the 1904 Register: O passi graviora—O pass the gravy. Quaque polo posita est glaciale proxima serpens—And each serpent played polo on the nearest glacier.

## Parents of Present Students Took Latin

R. L. Robison, father of Marjorie, took four years of Latin at Central. He was captain of Co. B his senior year.  
 Dr. Victor Rosewater, first editor of the High School Register, was the first O.H.S. alumnus to take the degree of Ph.D.  
 Albert Busch, father of Joan and Albert, was a Latin student of Omaha High school in 1907.

### Latin Poetry

**DIDO**  
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### Announce Junior Honor Groups at School Meeting

Miss Towne Delivers Charge to Newly Appointed Members; Musical Numbers Presented

Receiving the highest honor attainable by underclassmen, 189 freshmen, sophomores, and juniors were elected Monday to the three chapters of the Junior Honor society. Announcement was made at an all-school assembly. Miss Jessie M. Towne delivered the charge.

The 67 members of Gamma chapter, junior classification, were announced by J. G. Schmidt. They are as follows: Joel Abrahamson, Betty Ann Allyn, Edmund Barker, Phyllis Beerman, Frances Bortin, Virginia Borton, Norman Bressman, Natalie Buchanan, Zella Cherniss, Lorraine Cramer, Roger Crampton, Abraham Dansky, Betty Dodds, Maurice Feldman, Lillian Friedlander, Albert Friedman, Ahuvah Gerstater, Howard Gregg, Lee Grimes, Naomi Harnett, Charles Harris, Fahn Hochstetler, Lucille Hodek, Doris Holmstrom, Joe S. Hornstein, Robert Humphreys, Margaret Hutz, Marian Johnson, Mary Lou Johnson, Eugene Jorgensen, Mary Easter, Helen Marie Knieside, Morris Knieside, Hedwig Klammer, Betty Knox, Antoinette Koory, Mildred Layton, Pearl Lipsey, Ellen Jane Lovgren, June Mairland, John McAvin, Helen McCroory, Ruby McGee, Charles McManus, Virginia McNulty, Dolores McWilliams, Haskell Morris, George Morton, Olive Odorasio, Betty Ann Pitts, Virginia Lori Pratt, Rozanne Purdham, Gertrude Rainey, Sarah Resnick, Betty Rosen, John Scigliano, Marian E. Scott, Harry Seagren, Joe Soshnick, Marion Strauss, Adeline Tattelman, Arnold Viener, Nettie Wilkinson, Guy Williams, Mary Wolfson, Margaret Yeaggar, and Dewey Ziegler.

Delta chapter, made up of 47 sophomores, was presented by Frank M. Rice. Members are June Rose Anderson, Rita Barnhart, Loy Brown, Robert Buchanan, Gwendeth Carson, John Catin, John Chamberlin, John Cockle, George Dyball, Bill Engler, Philip Ford, Nellie Forest Gaden, Ephraim Gershater, Sarah Gulou, Amelia Hartman, James Haugh, Shirley Hoffman, Warren Johnson, Mary Jane Kopperud, Yetta Lerner, Byron Lower, James McDonald, Helen McGinnis, Jean McTavish, Frances Morris, James E. Myers, Norma Rose Myers, Gloria Odorasio, Orville Olson, Harry Oytis, Evelyn Paepser, Ernest Peterson, Peyton Pratt, Irving Rosenbaum, Howard Rosenblum, Betty Slusher, Edna Schaefer, June Ellen Steinert, Effie Lorraine Stockman, Janet Traub, Betty Jean Tyler, George Wales, Barbara Wenstrand, Marian Westering, Phyllis Williams, Jayne Williams, and Mary K. Wyllick.

The 75 new members of Epsilon chapter, freshman division, were introduced by Mrs. Irene Jensen. Goldie Azorin, Mac Baldrige, Mary E. Billig, Jack Bohan, Ruth Eotmal, Betty Brown, Katherine Buchanan, James Burgess, Jean Christie, Harriet Connor, Paul Crouse, Mary Ellen Davis, Shirley L. Eppstein, Elizabeth Finlayson, Ruth Forrest, Julie Frazee, Bernice Friedel, Rogger Frohardt, Beulah Galbraith, Jack Gariss, Leonard Goldstein, Rose Goldstein, Frank Grasso, Betty Jane Hanford, Ardith Hardianert, Alvin Hertzberg, Suzanne Howard, Stanley Irwin, Betty Jean James, Jane Kaiser, Sylvia Katzman, Magdalen Kelle, Neta Kirkpatrick, Louise C. Knox, Louie Knudsen, Barbara Koll, Della Kopperud, Richard Krimlofski, Beth Kulakofsky, Dorothy Ledstrom, William Lewis, Roger Lisher, Harriet Maxwell, Mary Alice Merritt, Edwin E. Milder, Leonard Morgenstern, Harold Nesselson, Jack Nimen, Dorothy Phyllis Peterson, Ben Rees, Dorothy M. Reynolds, Dorothy M. Rice, Pearl Richman, Frances Riha, Marjorie Rivett, Jean Rogers, Ann Rosen, Rosalind Rosen, Shirley Rosenblum, Ruth Rosenstock, Marian Rubnitz, H. M. Sinclair, Max Vest, Carolyn Voss, Marjorie Waldron, Marjorie Ward, Sheldon Waxenberg, Virginia White, Eleanor Wiess, Betty Wilkinson, Rona Willrodt, Justin Wolfson, Charles Yohe, and Janet Zimmerman were elected.

Preceding announcements, the Imperial quartet sang three numbers, and Betty Mae Nelson '39 played a violin selection.

### Ten Central Students Win Places in Music Contest at Kearney

Ten Central students won high ratings at the State Music contest at Kearney last week. Those who received the rating of superior are: Betty Mae Nelson, violin; Franceline Phillips, flute; Abraham Dansky, piano; Doris Holmstrom, girls' high voice; Janet Rohlf, girls' low voice; and Joe Edwards, Bill Fry, Jim Alis, and Brandon Backlund, male quartet. Shirley Parks, girls' medium voice, placed excellent.

### VI Hour Expression Class Wins Trophy

Members of Ned Greenslit's VI hour expression class presented a play, "Robert Makes Love," Wednesday night at the J.C.C. It placed first in competition with five other plays for Skit Night. Betty Soref '36 was director, and Sarah Sterling, Granum Kaplan, and Norman Bordy, all '36, and Frances Bordy '37 took part. A silver loving cup awarded them is exhibited in the trophy case.

### Teacher Pole-Vaults for Exercise

Chief Behave-Yourself at Central Reveals Secrets of Private Life; Tells of Fancies with Pets

Q. What is your name?  
A. Irene Sophrona Mittel Haskins Jensen.  
Q. What is your occupation?  
A. I am chief "Behave Yourself" at Central High school.  
Q. What is your parentage?  
A. I am of good old Scotch-Russian-New Zealand stock; and proud of it.  
Q. What sort of clothes do you prefer?  
A. Nothing suits me better than suits and tweeds of any kind. I go for pancake hats and berets in a big way and adore elbow length mitts, and I like any color as long as it's purple or orange. (Red will do in a pinch.)  
Q. Can you describe yourself?  
A. Easily. I am petite and rather hard to know. I have raven black tresses, but my secret ambition is to be a platinum blonde. I have a quiet, modulated voice, never shout, and—so help me, I can't—I have a slight English accent.  
Q. What's more I abhor not only slang but also its users.  
Q. Do you drive a car?  
A. And how! I have a nifty little green chartrreuse Austin that I run around in.  
Q. What book, character, and part of the Register do you like best?  
A. Well, don't let everybody know, but "Why Gentlemen Prefer

Blondes" is my idea of a great book. I guess Winnie the Pooh is my favorite character—I don't know why. But for a spiritual and moral uplift on a Friday morning, there's nothing like the editorials in the Register. I can't express the effect they have on me.  
Q. Do you go in for any sports?  
A. Of course. I do a lot of bicycling and horse-back riding, but for some reason or other I'm always having to have my bicycle repaired. Occasionally, for a little variation, I do some pole-vaulting.  
Q. Do you have any pets?  
A. Boy, I'll say I do. I've the duck-iest little parrot called Hobart. You see, during the week-ends and vacations, I got lonesome because it was so quiet, but now I have Hobart to chat with me. Gee, do I get a lot of fun out of Hobart!  
Q. Do you have any hobbies?  
A. Well, being a high school girl, I naturally collect something. I have a very complete collection of kangaroos—models, of course. Then, when I have nothing better to do I make dresses for Amy Rose, my paper doll. Right now, I have over 350 dresses and coats for Amy Rose. She's a cute little red-head. Come over any time and I'll let you play with her.

apologies and such... first of all, to those who were over-slammed in last week's register (helen jean, we don't blame you for kicking... it was a raw deal), and second, for running three columns as lousy as those were... we hope we'll never do such a thing again... seen and heard... gordon randall up on the trestle last friday at two different times and with a different date each time... guess gordon's putting something over on a coupla people... sunny conlin afraid to go home after being voted "most romantic"... evidently papa doesn't appreciate sunny's charms... and lysle abbot is going the way of all "fresh"... why not show howley you don't give two darns, and act like you hadn't smelled the cork... the fellas who were stuck at the vice-versa are the ones who yelled the loudest when they have to dance twice around the floor with a duty cut... the house party last week-end was fair to middling... the sophomores acted their age and played jacks... lawrence hickey did a keen imitation of poor 'ill june bliss... funny, but june tries so hard to act like ann thomas, but her only success is silliness... thoughts... guess ruthie whalen's one and only isn't frank laier, but ted wood, at least, she's taking ted to a. k. tonight... 'bout time for north and gordo johnston to call it quits, or will they? senior day will be may 15... hear that it will really be fun for the members of the class, and that any club dances scheduled for that nite will be sunk... petunias and dandelions... just one... dandelions to zelma humphreys for cutting all the boys at the vice-versa...

### Lewis Leads Singing at Rotary Luncheon

Meeting to Observe National Boys' and Girls' Week

Leonard Lewis '40 led community singing at the Rotary club luncheon held Wednesday in the Fontenelle hotel ballroom to observe National Boys' and Girls' week. Each grade school sent two boys chosen on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and improvement. Lewis was selected while an eighth grade student at Lake school.

The Rotary club, organized as a good will society, is composed of one outstanding man from every profession. The purpose of the annual luncheon is to encourage better work among grade school students. The club gave a banquet for boys earlier in the year and presented each with a penknife engraved with the club's name.

### First Omaha School

(Continued from Page 2) enthusiastic supporters of the new library.

Central saw another Kennedy graduate in 1918—my sister Elizabeth, now Mrs. C. F. Dondore. My brother Howard finished in 1926; he took two years of Latin as preparation for a later training in law.

I am the last of three children of the third generation to be connected with the high school. When I am graduated in June, 1937, I shall end, for the time being, at any rate, the connection of the Kennedy family with Central High school—a connection which has extended over a period of 78 years!

### Senior Play Will Be Presented in Our Auditorium

Seniors Have Choice of Various Athletic Events on Their Day; Evening Dance at Birchwood

"Ladies of the Jury," successful production of Broadway and the movies, will be presented in the school auditorium tomorrow night at 8 o'clock by the senior class.

Julann Caffrey, Walter Louis, Lois Burnett, Russell Amberson, Corinne Ernst, Mary Louise Cornick, and Warren Schrempp have leading roles in the production which is different from any play previously presented by seniors.

A legal atmosphere of a court and jury room is portrayed. In the first act, which takes place in the courtroom, the jury is sworn in, and testimonies of the various witnesses are given. The second and third acts, in which the innocence of the accused is established by the gradual persuasion of the jury by one of their number, take place in the jury room.

A capacity audience is expected to attend the play which will be presented only once. Tickets are on sale for 25 cents; no seats will be reserved.

### Senior Day Activities Planned

Bridge, table tennis, fencing, tennis, horseshoes, bowling, and baseball are a few of the varied activities in which seniors may participate at Miller park next Friday as a part of class day. In the morning seniors will be permitted to teach classes, and a dance will be held at Birchwood in the evening.

Due to the crowded spring schedule, a date for the class celebration could not be set which does not conflict with events already arranged. Some students will not be able to attend, but the response of the class was enthusiastic enough to warrant a large attendance.

The committee, under the leadership of Jim Milliken, has met with Principal J. G. Masters to make final arrangements.

### Theatre Directory

BRANDEIS—Richard Dix in Special Investigator with Margaret Callahan. Second feature, Brides Are Like That, starring Anita Louise and Ross Alexander. Plus a short with the Dinone quintuplets.

OMAHA—Main feature, Sutter's Gold with Edward Arnold, Lee Tracy, Binnie Barnes, Katharine Alexander, and John Miljan. Also Next Time We Love, starring Margaret Sullivan, James Stewart, and Ray Milland.

ORPHEUM—Dave Apollon on the stage with his International Varieties. Feature attraction, Joan Bennett in Big Brown Eyes with Cary Grant.

Harriet McIntosh '39 is ill with scarlet fever.

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### Al Capone Body-Guard Sans 'Chick'

THE FOLLOWING tale takes place in the year 1931, beneath the gigantic football stadium of Northwestern university. Scene: between the halves, the bustling locker room which housed the mighty red-jerseyed Cornhuskers of Nebraska, who had battled vainly for two periods against the even mightier North-westerners.

"Someone to see Justice and Rhea," a voice called out.

The noise suddenly ceased as two very dark and expensively dressed men were ushered into the sweaty room. The four people conversed a moment and the two strange men left quietly. As the door opened, the short, dapper figure of a man with what seemed to be a very familiar face, was seen standing outside. He was accompanied by a group of men similar to those just leaving.

"Chick" Justice spoke: "The fellow outside was Al Capone. The two men asked us if we'd care to drop school and join his body-guard." "Chick" laughed, "We said no!"

"S' truth s'help me. So it is lucky for us that Mr. Justice is teaching Modern Problems and coaching the football team, for he might just as easily be packing a .32 caliber revolver or operating a deadly typewriter."

### Clyde Ketelson Wins Monthly Art Contest

Art Room View of Capitol Ave. Is Winning Litho Drawing

Clyde Ketelson '37 won first prize in the monthly contest held in the Denver art museum and sponsored by the Western Artist, an art news monthly magazine. Entries are accepted from college and high school art departments in twenty-two states west of the Mississippi from November to April. Only one drawing from each college or school is considered each month.

Ketelson's winning entry is a lithograph drawing of Capitol avenue as seen from the art room windows. The drawing with winners of previous monthly contests will be entered in the final exhibition at the Denver museum. The three best entries will be selected by a jury of prominent artists.

### Central Players Give Playlet

"The New Poor," a playlet, was presented at the meeting of the Central High Players. Mary Jo Patton '36; Mary Lou Kelly, Frances Bordy, both '37; and Effie Lorraine Stockman, and Donna Neely, both '38, participated. Reba Dulin '37, secretary, presided.

### Busch and Field Selected as Ideal Central Girl, Boy

Outstanding Students Elected by Senior Class Ballot; Winners Named at All-School Assembly

Thirty-seven seniors were announced as winners of the senior popularity contest at an all-school assembly Tuesday morning. Students possessing outstanding qualities were elected by ballot vote taken by the class.

Joan Busch and Jim Field were selected as most popular seniors and ideal Central girl and boy. Sol Wezelman and Katherine Rivett were voted best scholars, and Morris Miller and Peggy Sheehan the most likely to succeed.

Mary Jane Bennett won titles of prettiest and sweetest girl, and Jean Patrick was chosen most sophisticated and best dresser. Elizabeth Ramsey was selected as having the most personality and being the best natured.

Other titles are Dick Fuchs, best looking boy; Bud Yoder, most happy-go-lucky; Cornelia Cary, peppiest girl; and Jim Milliken, biggest nib-buster.

Possessors of the best line are Lawrence Hickey and Dorothy Wickstrum. Best athletes are Lorna Borman and Bob Burruss, who also has the best physique; best musicians, Franceline Phillips and Bill Braden; best dancers, Bill Stelzer and Jean Kohn; best voices, Lydia Pohl and Joe Edwards; and wittiest, Betty Travis and Bob Putman.

Other winners are best dresser, Jack Sabata; most romantic, Harriet Conlin; biggest flirt, Kay Cross; best actor, Bill Morris; class man about town, Walter Louis; best chiseler, John Caldwell; most independent, Mary Louise Votava; best actress, Julann Caffrey; best vocabulary, Gray Burr; best salesman, William Burton; and worst woman hater, Bill Schwartz.

Winners were announced by Paul Gerhard, chairman of the popularity contest committee.

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# CENTRAL CINDER TEAM RETAINS INTER-CITY TITLE

## PURPLES NOSE OUT BENSON AND TECH SQUADS TO TAKE CHAMPIONSHIP AGAIN

Final Relay Event Decides Winner of Annual Prep Track and Field Title

### TRUSCOTT SETS MARK

The mile relay, the final event of the annual inter-city track meet held at Technical field Saturday, decided the 1936 championship for "Papa" Schmidt's Purple tracksters. Finishing one, two, three, were Central, Benson, and Tech with 43 1/2, 41 1/2, and 40 points, respectively.

The three teams were bunched within one point of each other prior to the running of the race which produced Central as the title winner for the second consecutive year.

Coach Schmidt's mile relay team, composed of Bob Hefflinger, Milton Reinhard, Vance James, and Dick Howell, grabbed an early lead and held it throughout the relay, finishing 50 yards ahead of the field.

Al Truscott, Central's star hurdler, shattered the old high hurdle mark with a :16.3 performance. Carl Ousley, also of the Purple, placed third in this event.

In the 220-yard dash it was all Vance James as he scampered over the course in :23.1 to finish ahead of the other contestants with a five yard lead. Hird Stryker placed second and John Taylor fourth in this dash. Taylor, with a third place, was the only Central man to score in the 100-yard dash.

Howell and Reinhard placed third and fourth respectively in the quarter mile dash.

Besides winning the mile, the Eagle team, made up of Taylor, Howard Humphreys, Stryker, and James, won the half mile relay, and the freshman team was third in the frosh relay.

Bob Sconce successfully defended his shot-put title by heaving the twelve pound sphere 43 feet 5 1/2 inches. This gave Central its only first in the field events. Maynard Swartz was third in the shot as well as second in the javelin throw. Having broken the old city javelin record with a throw of 159 feet, Swartz was immediately beaten by Jordan of Benson who established another new city record of 161 feet 2 inches.

**Summary:**  
120-Yard High Hurdles—Won by Truscott (C); second, Vaughan (T); third, Ousley (C); fourth, Overman (B). Time—:16.3. (Breaks intercity record of :16.4 set by Brown (S) in 1934.)  
100-Yard Dash—First place dead heat between Beal (T) and Williams (A L); third, Taylor (C); fourth, Pfisterer (N). Time—:10.2.  
1/2 Mile Run—Won by Skelton (A L); second, Lawton (B); third, Knight (A L); fourth, Newell (B). Time—4:51.9.  
200-Yard Low Hurdles—Won by Beal (T); second, Vaughan (T); third, Damon (T J); fourth, Sorensen (N). Time—:23.7. (Sets intercity record at new distance for low hurdles.)  
Shotput—Won by Sconce (C); second, Lawton (B); third, Swartz (C); fourth, Housh (C). Distance—43 feet 5 1/2 inches.  
Frosh Relay—Won by Tech (Samson, Edson, Gibson, Cullison); second, Tech Jay; third, Central; fourth, North. Time—1:43.9.  
High Jump—Won by Williams (S); second, Grote (B); third, Hobbs (B); fourth, Wall (T). Height—5 feet 10 inches.  
440-Yard Dash—First place dead heat between Beal (T) and Williams (A L); third, Howell (C); fourth, Reinhard (C). Time—:53.  
220-Yard Dash—Won by James (C); second, Stryker (C); third, Pfisterer (N); fourth, Taylor (C). Time—:23.  
880-Yard Run—Won by Cone (A L); second, Lawton (B); third, Skelton (A L); fourth, Allan (A L). Time—2:17.4.  
Pole Vault—Won by Hurd (B); second, Sullivan (S); third, the between Jackson (T) and Grote (B). Height 11 feet 1/2 inch.

## Central Golf Team Beats Lynx; Fourth Win This Season

Captain S. Morgan and J. Haugh to Compete in State Meet at Capital City Next Week End

The Purple golfers won their fourth victory last Friday against Abraham Lincoln at Dodge park. The final score between the two teams was 347 to 354 in favor of Central. Day of Abraham Lincoln copped the low score of the match with a beautiful 79, while Morgan of Central and Hansen of A. L. were tied with 84.

Although the Dodge park course was absolutely unknown to the Central squad, some very fine scores were turned in. The scores of the players were: for Central—Morgan 84, Haugh 86, Uren 86, and Harris and Anderson 91; for Abraham Lincoln—Day 79, Hansen 84, Van Druff 96, and Larsen 95.

The last match in this intercity round robin for the Eagles will be against South May 6 at Dundee. The intercity golf meet begins next Monday and will be an elimination affair. The four teams which will be watching in the meet this year are Central, who has won the intercity title for the last three years; Benson, South, and Creighton Prep. If Central wins its match against South, they will have finished the round robin with five wins and one loss. So far the Purples have lost only to Benson and have defeated Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, North, and Creighton Prep.

The state meet is to be held at Lincoln and will be next Friday and Saturday. Those entering from Central this year are Sam Morgan and Jimmy Haugh. Last year Central sent Morgan and Bob Langdon and Morgan qualified for the first flight and Langdon for the second. To qualify for the first flight, one must be among the low eight of the entire field of entrants from all over the state. Morgan hopes for better luck this year than last year when he lost his first round match.

## Seen and Heard

By IRVIN YAFFE  
Congratulations, "Papa" Schmidt and "Chick" Justice. Congratulations, Central tracksters for bringing the inter-city track title to Central for the second time in successive years. You have the distinction of being the first team to bring a title to Central this year.

We can imagine how Maynard Swartz must have felt when he broke the city javelin record with a throw of 159 feet, only to have Jordan of Benson step up with a throw of 161 feet. Better luck next time, Maynard.

At present Coach Justice is not quite sure whether or not there will be an all-school softball tournament. It seems that there is some difficulty in getting the field and time, but just the same, "Chick" has hopes of running off the tournament a little later on. Anyway, get your teams organized now, as the competition will be tough.

We have talked to a person who has seen the letter so we know now that the rumor—about Hub Monsky getting an offer from Notre Dame—is true. The letter makes no mention of scholastic requirements, but mentions leadership, initiative, etc. It also states that there is a possibility of Hub getting a job, as they have heard about his high school career. Hub has also received an offer from Stanford and is very much tempted in that direction.

## Ten Qualify for State Tournament

By placing first or second in the Central Invitational, the following boys have qualified to compete in the state track meet to be held at Lincoln on Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16: Vance James, John Taylor, Richard Howell, Milton Reinhard, Hird Stryker, Carl Ousley, Bob Sconce, Maynard Swartz, Dave Weiner, Howard Humphreys, and Al Truscott.

The order of events for the finals of the meet are:  
2:00 p.m.—120-yard High Hurdles  
2:30 p.m.—100-yard Dash  
3:00 p.m.—One Mile Run  
3:30 p.m.—200-yard Low Hurdles  
4:00 p.m.—440-yard Dash  
4:30 p.m.—220-yard Dash  
5:00 p.m.—880-yard Run  
5:30 p.m.—880-yard Relay

Half-mile Relay—Won by Central (Taylor, Humphrey, Stryker, James); second, Abe Lynx; third, Tee Jay; fourth, Tech. Time—1:35.5.  
Mile Relay—Won by Central (Heffinger, Reinhard, James, Howell); second, Abe Lynx; third, Benson; fourth, Tech. Time—3:41.9.  
Broad Jump—Won by Hollowell (T); second, Beal (T); third, Jordan (B); fourth, Grote (B). Distance—20 feet 5 inches.  
Discus—Won by Housh (B); second, Adair (C); third, Rardin (T); fourth, O'Brien (B). Distance—113 feet 3 inches.  
Javelin—Won by Jordan (B); second, Swartz (C); third, Skelton (A L); tied for fourth, Truscott (C) and Jackson (T). Distance—161 feet 2 inches. (Breaks intercity record of 156 feet 2 inches set by Jackson (T) in 1935.)

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## Name National Athletic Members

New Rulings Made by Society: Membership Now Open to All Lettermen; Small Fee Asked

Many more members are eligible for the National Athletic Honor society this year according to a card received by Mr. Fred Hill from H. A. Swaffield, executive secretary of the National Athletic Scholarship society of secondary schools at Fairfield, Connecticut.

At the annual meeting of this society in St. Louis last February two important changes were made in the by-laws. One was that membership is now open to all boys who have won scholastic letters, and second, in order to defray mailing and printing expenses of certificates and member-

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## Central Netsters Beat A. Lincoln, South Hi Squads

R. Mueller, D. Donham Best in Doubles; Warren Schrempp Consistent Winner in Singles

Winning every match, the Purple netsters whipped the Abraham Lincoln tennis team 3-0 at the Dewey courts on Tuesday, May 28. Warren Schrempp, playing his usual steady singles game, won his first set, 6-3, and had a lead of 5-2 in his second set when Mueller replaced him for a game and then Donham played two games. At that time the score stood 5-5 and Schrempp went back in and played a see-saw set with Krasne of A. L., finally winning, 13-11. It was an exciting set with Schrempp first having the advantage and then Krasne until Schrempp finally got the necessary margin of two games.

Charles Birk and Carl Fredericks both played to defeat Freeman of A. L. in a close three-set match in the other singles encounter. Losing the first set, 3-6, the Central players came back to win the other two sets and the match, 6-4, 6-3. With nothing depending on the outcome of the doubles, Mueller and Donham went ahead and swamped the A. L. doubles team of Krasne and Freeman easily by 6-1, 6-1.

This was the first win of the season for the Eagles and they did it in a real way. The new doubles combination of Dan Donham and Rudy Mueller seems to be the one Coach G. E. Barnhill has been looking for since the beginning of the 1936 season. With Birk and Fredericks picking up nicely in the singles and Schrempp's steady playing, the team has finally found a winning combination.

Showing the same fine form of the Abraham Lincoln match, the racquet wielders of Central defeated the South netsters decisively by a 3-0 score. The match against Tech scheduled for May 1 was called off because of unfavorable weather but will be played off later on.

With two shutout victories in a row, Central presents a team which will probably figure highly in the state meet which takes place Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week. The North squad is the pre-meet favorite with Creighton Prep holding a close second.

ship cards, there will be a fee of ten cents charged each member.

Those who have won minor letters at Central will therefore be eligible for the Central High group. Among those eligible are those who won swimming letters in their freshman year. The final list of the members is: Sebastian Castro, Grant Caywood, Ed Clark, Dick Ellis, Ernie James, Vance James, Ray Koontz, Don McCotter, Bob Nourse, Bill Schwartz,

## NORTH VIKING RALLY IN SIXTH INNING UPSETS CENTRAL BASEBALL TEAM, 6-3

### Girls' Sports

The round robin tennis tournament between the high schools of the city started Wednesday with Central competing with Benson. Each school enters from 6 to 8 girls. Wednesday's match resulted in a tie—Mary Allen won her singles, and Sally Robison and Jane Rosenstock, their doubles; Billie Appleby lost her singles, and Wanda Lawson and Mary Anna Cockle, their doubles. Central played Tech Thursday, South on Friday, and will play North Tuesday. The tournament will be followed by an elimination tourney which will decide the inter-school winners.

Fun Nite at the Y.M.C.A. for G. A. A. members will be held Saturday, May 16, at 6 o'clock. Dinner will be served in the Log Cabin, followed by ping-pong, bowling, and swimming.

A baseball tournament of a new type was started Monday under the direction of Miss Marian Treat. Instead of determining the winning team by the number of victories as usual, the one with the most points is the winner. Each team gets a point for every member on the team that turns out, and five points are given to the winner of the game. Captains are Lois Hoyer and Helene Smith. Smith's team won Monday.

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## Polar Nine Held Scoreless Till Fatal Inning; Score Six Tallies on Six Hits

After holding a 3 to 0 lead during the major portion of the game, the North High Vikings came through in the sixth inning to score 6 runs and upset the Central High baseballers 6 to 3. Up to the fatal sixth, Baltzer pitched brilliant ball, and behind the excellent support of the entire Purple infield, he was shutting the Norsemen out with but one hit.

The Eagles gathered their first two runs in the initial inning to take an early 2 to 0 lead. Ellis walked and went to second when the Viking shortstop muffed Vecchio's grounder. Wagner then sent a timely single through shortstop which continued to roll through the right fielder's legs, both Ellis and Vecchio scoring.

Central scored their final run in the fourth inning on a North error and a beautiful double down the third base line by Pitcher Baltzer.

Everything went on smoothly before the Norsemen came to bat in the sixth inning, and it seemed as though the Purples were going to win their first city tilt; however, Baltzer weakened and the Vikings began to hit him at will. Lausterer opened the sixth reaching first base safely when a bad throw got away from first baseman Hall. Then a long triple by Luby, and singles by Cheek, Smith, J. Kauffold, Cooper, and D. Kauffold produced 6 runs and the winning margin for the Norsemen.

When the Eagles came to bat in the final inning, they seemed to have lost their pep and were all broken down. Baltzer struck out, Castro walked and stole second, Ellis grounded out, and when Castro attempted to take third, third baseman Waterman of North tagged Castro sliding in, thus ending the game.

Box score:  
NORTH CENTRAL  
Laustr' 2b 3 1 0 0 3 Castro c 3 0 0 6 0  
Cheek cf 2 1 1 2 0 Ellis 2b 3 1 0 4 0  
W'man 3b 2 0 0 1 3 Vecchio ss 4 1 1 1 2  
Luby ss 3 1 1 2 4 B. Hall 1b 3 0 0 8 0  
Smith c 3 1 1 4 1 Wagner rf 3 0 1 1 0  
L. Kau'd lf 3 1 1 0 0 Moore 3b 3 0 0 1 1  
Cooper rf 3 1 1 0 0 J. Hall cf 3 0 0 1 0  
D. Ka'd 1b 3 0 1 9 0 Koontz lf 2 1 0 0 0  
Browne p 2 0 0 1 4 James lf 0 0 0 0 0  
Baltzer p 3 0 1 0 2

Totals 23 6 6 20 15 Totals 27 3 3 22 5

Summary: Errors—Waterman 2, Luby 2, J. Kauffold, Moore. Two-base Hits—Cheek, Baltzer. Three-base Hit—Luby. Sacrifice Hits—Waterman, B. Hall, Stolen Bases—James, Koontz 2, Cheek. Bases on Balls—Off Baltzer 2, Browne 2. Struck Out—By Baltzer 6, Browne 3. Umpire—Ollinger.

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