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TEN CENTS

Two Shows Top Activity Of Semester

Preparation for two of Central's big productions, the Road Show and the senior play, are underway this week.

Mrs. Elsie Howe Jensen, director of the Road Show, has announced the student managers for the '57 production. Sharon Bauer, Charles Marvin and Don Dichsen will assist Mrs. Jensen in preparations for the annual variety show. These students will hear auditions, help choose skits and acts, and help plan the final show.

Tryouts will begin Feb. 4 and will run throughout the week. Jan. 30 was the deadline for registering acts for auditioning. Anyone wanting information or help with his act should see Mrs. Jensen in Room 14E.

Tom Welch and Marcia Zalkin have been chosen for the leading roles in Central's senior play, "Pygmalion."

This play, the non-musical version of the Broadway success, "My Fair Lady," will be presented in Central's auditorium May 2 and 3 by the class of '57.

Tom and Marcia will play the parts of Professor Higgins and Liza Doolittle. Other students in the play will include Jerry Rosen, Colonel Pickering; Alyce Brown, Mrs. Pearce; Roger Hub, Freddy Hill; Jim Cobb, Alfred Solittle; Leni Wine, Mrs. Eynsford Hill; and Sharon Wilson, Miss Clara Felt.

Minor parts will be filled by Marlyck and Dennis Lundgren.

Student directors in charge of the rehearsals beginning April 1 will be Frances Davidson and Jim Hedrick.

Try It Out!

February

- 1 Basketball, at South
- Wrestling, at Tech
- 4-7 Road Show tryouts
- 5 Wrestling, Abraham Lincoln here
- 8 Basketball, North here
- Science club sox dance
- Wrestling, at North
- 12 Activity program
- Wrestling, at Thomas Jefferson
- 15 Basketball, at Tech

Zacharia Scores High in NU Exam

Laurence Zacharia, Central senior, was recently named to be one of the winners of the University of Nebraska Regents scholarships.

Larry received the highest score among all Centralites competing for the scholarship. The award was based on the results of an all-day test given Nov. 24 at Central.

The eight from Central selected as alternate winners of the scholarship are Peggy Soucek, Jeff Scott, Larry Kahn, Albert Olson, Roger Dilley, Diane Brown, Bart Hoemann and Charles Evans.

Those receiving honorable mention are Julie Harmon, Dena Lagman, Serena Dvoskin, Harriet Epstein, Gerald Hilliar and Elizabeth Richards.

The University makes 250 awards annually to students of Nebraska high schools. Each award is for one year's full tuition at the University of Nebraska and may be renewed in subsequent years.

In the case that Larry declines the scholarship, the next highest alternate will be awarded it.

There may be only one winner from each of the top 250 Nebraska high schools.

2,500 to Partake In Music Festival

Practices have begun for the annual All-City Music Festival which will be held in the Civic Auditorium, March 15 at 8 p. m. Over 2,500 students from Omaha's public grade schools and high schools will be included in this production which is Omaha's contribution to the North Central Music Educators Conference to be held in Omaha March 15-19.

Junior high and high school students will participate in all-city chorus, band and orchestra divisions. Mrs. Elsie Howe Jensen, head of Central's vocal music department, will be the local conductor, and Dr. David Foltz, guest conductor of the high school festival chorus. Conducting the high school orchestra will be Samuel Thomas, head of the instrumental music department at North high school. Hamilton B. Smith, head of the instrumental music department at South high, will direct the high school band.

Miss Harriet Nordholm will be guest conductor of the junior high chorus; Miss Leota Sneed will be the local director. Merwin Tilton will conduct the elementary-junior high orchestra.

The purposes of the Music Festival are to draw students from the city into one activity on an educational and non-competitive basis and to give the better students a chance to perform work which is above their usual routine.

5 Seniors Qualify For Honor Finals

Five Central seniors have qualified for the finals of the National Honor Society scholarship competition.

Howard Kaslow, Marty Greene, Paul Festeren, Carol Cortelyou and Arthur Staubitz will vie for the coveted scholarships with 1,304 other top students throughout the country March 19. As each student taking the test is a member of National Honor Society, which requires that one be in the upper 10 per cent of the class, the competition promises to be keen.

The five Centralites were selected for the final examination on the basis of their showing in the National Merit Scholarship test given at Central Oct. 24, 1956. All five also qualified for the National Merit Scholarship finals.

The examination, lasting 90 minutes, will test both mental alertness and reasoning power.

'Peanuts for Polio' Nets \$1,800 in Omaha Drive

"Peanuts for Polio", a familiar slogan to downtown shoppers, was chanted by Omaha high school students Jan. 19 as they offered their services in selling 17,000 bags of peanuts to collect money for the 1957 polio drive.

With the help of more than 100 Central pupils, the drive made a profit of \$2,800. This was a gain of \$1,800 over the polio drive of last year.

"With 500 teen-agers located at strategic points in downtown Omaha, South Omaha and Benson," stated Steve Newcomer, chairman for Central, "the peanuts were all sold within three hours of the allotted time."

Selling the most sacks for the drive—700 in two hours—were Angelo Cuva, Tim Johnson, Louie Miloni and Don Twiford, all Centralites.

Another project for polio netting \$311.20 was the annual benefit basketball game held Jan. 13 at Creighton university.

Did You Know That . . .

There are 29 window panes, 5 typewriters, 4 blackboards, 3 portraits, 2 waste-baskets, 1 teacher and 4 bullet holes in the Journalism office?

CHS Debaters Victorious, Win Sweepstakes Trophy



Top-notch debaters polish trophies—not apples. Standing, Howard Kaslow and Marvin Freedman; kneeling, Judy Hoemann, Mary Ann Damme and Sherry Dailey.

Central debaters garnered the Sweepstakes trophy at the annual Nebraska Wesleyan Enid Miller debate tournament in Lincoln, Jan. 17 and 18. Kearney and Hastings high schools placed second and third, respectively. Howard Kaslow and Marvin Freedman, after beating Hastings in the semi-finals, were victorious over Kearney in the finals to win the debate trophy. The Kaslow-Freedman team entered the semi-finals after having received superior rating in four out of five debates.

Marvin also placed third in extemporaneous speaking while Howard earned fourth place in the radio newscasting contest and also picked up valuable points in the oratory contest. The team of Sherry Dailey, Mary

Ann Damme and Judy Hoemann was undefeated in five debates.

The sweepstakes were won through the united efforts of all five debaters.

Trophy for Total Points

The trophy was awarded to the school with the highest total points for individual speaking.

Central participants in the Enid Miller tournament will also take part in the St. Olaf College Invitational debate tournament in St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 1 and 2.

Five teams, Richard Speier and Mike Persell; Tom Kully and Saul Kripke; Sherry Dailey and Mary Ann Damme; Larry Zacharia and Paul Shyken; and Howard Weinberg and David Kellogg; will take part in the Hast-

ings College Invitational, Feb. 7 and 8.

"Resolved: that the federal government should sustain major agricultural products at not less than 90 per cent of parity" is this year's proposition. A national committee of legislators and prominent business men choose several topics each year and send them to high schools to select one. The proposition receiving the highest number of votes then becomes the topic for the entire nation.

Next Year's Topics

Natural resources, foreign aid and labor management are the topics which the committee has selected for next year. Central's debate coach, Mr. Don Johnson, and the debaters voted for the foreign aid proposition.

Mr. Johnson commented on the achievements of the debaters: "We are naturally quite pleased. We have used a great number of debaters this year and therefore counted upon the seniors to come through. They haven't let us down."

Senior debaters Howard Kaslow and Marvin Freedman maintained: "Mr. Johnson's guidance, not only during class but also after school, was a chief factor in the victory."

'Mid-East War Unlikely'; Theme Rejects Idea of Red 'Volunteers'

The editors of The Register feel that the following theme written by sophomore Nancy Longworth will answer many questions asked by Central students. It was compiled after study of current literature on the Middle East topic.

Blunt warnings from Russia tell of big "volunteer" forces standing by for use in the tense Middle East. Does it mean a new "Korea"? As U. S. military men in the area see it—the Kremlin is bluffing. Talk of a Red force big enough to take on Israel is propaganda.

Friend or Enemy? Centralites Identify

Many Central students have served their community in the past by doing volunteer work at the Omaha filter center. Seven Centralites now helping are Sherry Dailey, Dorothy Steele, Nancy English, Carolyn Cox, Mary Ann Damme, Lynne Kelly and Kay Best.

The Filter Center, located in the American Legion building, works with the Ground Observer corps in the detection of enemy aircraft.

"Spotters" phone the number, type, function and altitude of planes in to the center. Volunteers then process the information to determine whether the plane is friend or enemy. If workers cannot identify the plane, it is deemed unfriendly; and radar is used for identification. If radar is unsuccessful, planes are "scrambled" or sent to investigate.

Obstacles are too great for communists to conduct a Korean-type war in the Middle East. Land, sea and air supply routes to that area can be easily cut in wartime.

Overwhelming Risk

Risk is overwhelming. A "volunteer" attack anywhere will automatically commit the UN police force, British ships, U. S. bombers to retaliate—with real danger of starting World War III.

Aside from these facts, there are many others that Russia has to face. There is no common border between the Arab world and the communist empire across which arms, supplies and troops could flow as they did into North Korea. Shipments of essential war supplies, as a result, would have to go by land, sea and air at least 1,000 miles, exposed to attacks by land and air, and to blockade by sea.

Communist Shipments

Communist shipments of arms and volunteers, to be effective in a bigger war in the Middle East, must be large and continuous. Fuel for tanks and vehicles, ammunition for hundreds of thousands of guns, weapons and parts of all kinds are required in vast amounts.

If Soviets should send big "volunteer" forces to fight in the Middle East:

By land—Soviet shipments must be sent into Iran, then through Iraq to

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Military Ball Names Bena As Regimental Commander

Jack Bena was announced as colonel and commander of Central's ROTC regiment at the 20th annual Military Ball Jan. 25. Assisting cadet Lt. Bena will be the new regimental executive officer, cadet Lt. Col. Coral Hufeldt.

Lou Vogel was selected by the cadet officers to be the honorary colonel of 1957. She was presented a bouquet of flowers by Barbara McEneaney, honorary colonel of 1956.

Jane Adams, Sharon Bauer, Connie Le, Arlene Dergan, Laurie Frank, Edy Lewis, Marilyn Olsen and Sandra Pierce were named honorary company commanders. Each received a bouquet of flowers, presented by the members of the Crack Squad.

The Fred Hamilton award was given to cadet M/Sgt. Tom Conroy. Fred Hamilton presented the award on the basis of the leadership ability which the cadet has displayed in his first three years in ROTC.

Charon Allen, Miss NCOC of 1957, presented the Crack Squad members their cords after their performance. Cadet Sfc. Paul Shyken was the announcer during the ball.

After the presentation of the Colors to the Color Guard, Mr. J. Arthur Olson gave the welcoming address. This was followed by the announcement of the cadet officers by Mr. J. V. Planteen.

An innovation to the regiment was the addition of two lieutenant colonels. Promoted to the rank of cadet lieutenant colonel and commanders of the first and second battalions, respectively, were Tom Welch and Payson Adams. Central, out of all the Omaha high schools, has the only ROTC unit with a cadet colonel and three cadet lieutenant colonels.

Promoted to the rank of cadet major were Steve Silver, Marty Greene, Larry Zacharia, Mike Herzog, Bob Joseph, Allen Krizelman, Bob Crosby, Bob Julich and Arthur Stautz.

Receiving cadet captain were Dick Chamberlain, Don Dichsen, Marty Phipps, Bob Hebert, Ray Thompson,



Bena . . . new colonel

Why Vandalism?

Webster defines vandalism as "willful destruction or defacement." The dictionary, of course, fails to explain why vandalism occurs. The "why" is left to the psychologist or psychiatrist who may find an answer upon observation of the individual involved.

Central, then, according to Webster, occasionally is the victim of vandals. We find bullet holes in windows and scratches in desks. After a recent basketball game, a completely demolished chair was found near the gym.

Do vandals think? If they do, one wonders what they think. What goes on in the mind of a vandal? Does he think of the fact that the destroyed items belong to someone else? Does he realize that they belong, in part, to his taxpaying parents?

We wonder if vandals know why they want to destroy something. Are they mad at their school, their teachers, their fellow students or the whole world in general?

Whatever the answers to these questions may be, acts of vandalism are unpardonable. It takes a wicked mind to "willfully destroy or deface" useful property.

TV Can Teach!

Some say the habit of watching television is destroying the teen-ager's character, morals and school progress. It is true that many programs are a waste of time for most of the viewing public. However, there are many good, sound educational programs which many teen-agers, as well as adults, enjoy.

Some programs benefit today's youth by relating historic events or by explaining scientific subjects. Others are simply good entertainment.

"Wide, Wide World," "Disneyland," "You Are There" provide some of today's educational television programs. Other good shows are "Circle Theater," "Project Twenty," and the Kaiser Aluminum and U. S. Steel Hour programs.

If the teen-agers would view these shows, their studies would not suffer, and they would increase their education through entertainment.

S. D.

Inform Yourself

Want to know the population of Athens, Greece, in 530 B.C.? What country won the Olympics in 1948? Who was awarded best actress in 1953?

Information unlimited can be obtained on a large variety of subjects from "soup to nuts" by merely using our well-stocked libraries. If more of us were resourceful in locating information, it would save our local and federal government, plus many other institutions, the unnecessary work of sending information to inquisitive teen-agers.

Chambers of commerce and various business places are plagued daily with simple but time-consuming requests. Only a few of these are questions which would be answered by the institution itself. The majority of appeals can be found in any World Almanac or even in the phone book.

While everyone appreciates an inquisitive mind, the person who values time in today's progress is unable to waste hours with unnecessary tasks. Up to a certain point commerce even encourages letter writers on the theory that today's curious youngsters are tomorrow's customers and tourists.

The letter-writing boom has become a national habit for the easy way out. Students seem to believe that government and industry have a duty to help them through school.

Digging out one's own information instead of asking someone else is more profitable and even gives one the self-satisfaction of accomplishment.

Central Profiles

TEN-SHUN!

Lou Vogel, Jack Bena

Stepping from one Central spotlight to another over the past four years seems to be the pattern of colonel's lady, Lou Vogel.

Lou's years at Central have been filled with numerous honors; and since her final year is not over yet (remember, colonel's ladies never die, they don't even fade away!) she may acclaim even more honors.

During each of her freshman, sophomore and junior years, Lou was vice-president, president and treasurer of her class, respectively. A cheerleader until this year, Lou is now president of fast-growing Pep Squad. As a two-year member of a cappella choir Lou climaxed her participation in the choir by portraying "Ado Annie" in "Oklahoma!", '56 opera. She was also selected as this year's dance band vocalist and can be heard "warbling" under the auspices of Mr. B. and the boys.

A past secretary of Safe-Teens, Lou is secretary of Junior Red Cross and is a member of Colleens. In the junior county elections she was elected Clerk of the District Court.

Claire Louise hates to be called by her proper name; therefore, the writer of this profile will refrain from referring to her by her proper "handle". Strangely enough Lou doesn't mind being tagged as "Lulu" or "Birdie". The latter name probably refers to Lou's love for bird dogs and the former to her love for intellectual comic books.

Aside from her interest in school activities and P.A., Lou's special loves are young brothers, Mitchie and Teddy. If the two boys take up where Lou and her older sister, Pat, left off, the name of Vogel should resound in these halls of ivy for many a day.

Lou quips, "Ya know, when I was little I used to eat candles at birthday parties instead of the cake." Oh well, maybe the candle diet has something to do with that Lux complexion Lou possesses, heh? Take heed, girls and start munching on candles. Nine out of ten colonel's ladies do!

After two years of study at Omaha university, it's up in the air for "Birdie"—Lou plans to become an airline stewardess. Here's hoping she wins her wings later; she's already got colonel's pips for a start!



Proud moment for cadet colonel, Jack, and lady Lou... photo by World-Herald

Army life seems to agree with cadet colonel Jack Bena. While at Central he's been a member of NCOC, COC, and a King's Hussar. After serving two years in the Crack Squad, he was appointed commander this year.

Jack's "civilian" life at Central has consisted of joining the Science club, the Outdoorsmen club, the Library club and the Latin club.

Though a connoisseur on military rules and regulations—it has been found that even a cadet colonel can blunder. For example, on the TV program showing the "Highlights of the Central High Military Ball", one Jack Bena stood rigidly at attention—while the other cadets were executing maneuvers.

Jack also remembers the time he "removed half the throne" while "hussaring" at the coronation.

Jack's military modesty was witnessed after the Military Ball when he was asked selling his major's pips! When asked about honor roll or rank in class, Jack also modestly (I think it was modesty that prompted that hang-dog expression) and slyly said, "Above average."

Jack's plans for the immediate future include listening to the questions and insults of freshman cadets (relax boys, he laughed!) and pursuing a career in pharmacy at Creighton university.

Hi-Y Progresses, Plays Basketball

Hi-Y at Central has come a long way since its founding more than 30 years ago. The first meetings were held in the early '20s. A dinner was served at Y.M.C.A.; and the boys divided into small bible discussion groups, one of which was headed by Joseph G. Masters, former Central principal.

Activities now feature three major events. In Nov. the club participates in the model legislature in Lincoln. This year Central's Hi-Y presented a bill to shorten the ballot on presidential election years. The spring Lenten week services will again be given before school in co-operation

with the Hi-Y and Y-Teens. The club also helps to promote the Coronation Ball.

After the Jan. 11 Central-Benson basketball game, Central's Hi-Y opened the sox dance season by sponsoring the Clod Hop.

The latest activity, since Tony Gray became self-appointed assistant to the advisor, Mr. Nystrom, is the inter-city Hi-Y basketball league. The two top Omaha teams go to the state tournament held in Lincoln. Any of the Central Hi-Y members are eligible to play if they can get the ball away from Bob. A. Peterson long enough to shoot.

Maybe That's the Way She Thought of It!

So you think you have talent, huh? Well

Somewhere in Central High there lies an undiscovered talent that should be brought from its cubbyhole into the spotlight.

If one can believe Jean Johannsen, this as yet hidden talent would be a tremendous hit. While helping Miss Treat with some GAA business, which consisted of filing all the members' favorite sports, their preferences as to the committees they'd like to work on and their talent, Jean found that one girl wrote under talent, "I play the 'piano'".

Karen McKee, '52, Speaks to CHP; Y-Teens Participate in Polio Drive

Central High Players heard Karen McKee, '52, speak on creative drama at their Jan. 8 meeting.

Thespians will merge with the Players club at the Feb. 5 meeting. The business proceedings of the meeting will be conducted by the Thespians.

Still thawing out from their winter camp-out Jan. 3-4, Outdoorsmen are busy prepreparing for this year's sports show to be held this spring.

The boys have abandoned the "Conservation Pledge" idea from last year's show and are building two scaled topographical maps of the 200-acre game refuge near Gretna, Nebr.

One map will depict the present layout of the reserve, and the other will depict the pending layout.

Norman Kirschbaum, English and dramatics teacher, spoke to the Future Homemakers of America at their Jan. 21 meeting.

Mr. Kirschbaum explained to the girls the difference in the making of street clothes and the making of stage costumes.

Future Nurses of America club met Jan. 23. Miss Ruth Ann Davis, '55 Central graduate, spoke on the qualifications and advantages of her job as an X-ray technician at the Lutheran hospital here.

The Nurses' club will hold an open meeting on Feb. 27, for all girls interested in attending.

Mrs. Zelda Nelson, director of Counseling and Placement Service for the Nebraska State Nursing Association, will speak on high school subjects for nurses-to-be.

Junior Red Cross clubs of Omaha held an Inter-city meeting on Jan. 16 in the school library.

The three main male leads of 'Oklahoma!' Tom Christensen, Bill Hyde and Steve Newcomer, provided the entertainment by singing selections from the opera.

Y-Teens met Jan. 9 to hear Mrs. Mary Lou Templeton, YWCA health education and recreation director, explain the physical training program there.

After the meeting, 26 girls signed up to sell peanuts for Omaha's "Peanuts for Polio" drive.



At the National Convention of International Famous Writers the other day, a group of us were sitting around the fireplace, talking over the literary situation. T. S. Elliot was saying, "You know W&T, it seems to me that the Register could use a good column," he then added, "in which the public could express its opinion."

"Yeah," added James Thurber, "sort of like the Public Pulse."

"Wonderful! All the students could put their 'gripes of wrath' in the Register box in the office. John Steinbeck joined in enthusiastically.

"You could really doll that baby up," exclaimed Tennessee Williams, who's always plugging his new movie.

So, in this issue, we're going to take the advice given us by our chums and inaugurate a sensational new feature in G.C., "The Public Heart, Organ of Public Opinion." Here's the cream of the first crop of letters.

Teen-agers a Problem?

What's the matter with the teen-agers today? get terribly perturbed when witnessing the display of vulgarity commonly known as "rock 'n roll" feel that Elvis Presley is merely a figment of the warped imagination of the typical mind of the troubled generation. Even my psychiatrist rather odd. As a matter of fact, I get the impression that I'm the only normal one left.

Missy McGowan

P.S.—No one leaves the premises until I get my diamond brooch back!

We'll All Be Killed!

The cost of living is up! There is a drought the southwest! Mars men will come any day! When the Russians invade us we'll all be killed! The world is coming to an end. Civilization doomed to traceless oblivion.

Norman Vincent Peale

Basketball & Fan Stuck.

I was watching the basketball warm-ups the other night, and noticed that whenever two basketballs coincide simultaneously at the same time on a basket, both balls drop into the basket and stay there. Which team has to get the balls down the referee is too short?

Howard Kaslow

(We suggest you read *The Bull Pen*. The author is a bright, newcomer to the journalism scene and shows exceptional promise and logic. Ed.)

Comics for Register!

Speaking of adding new features to the Register we have great possibilities for comic strips. The characters running around school would supply enough material for a whole series. For instance Payson Tracy, Dennis the Newland — er Menard Blondie and Donelson and Gasolineless Alley (the gas was sent to England with the '57 taxes).

Al (Capp) Forman

III for IV, or II, too, for V???

I noticed the name Howard Kennedy III in your column last week. I think that is me, or I am. Anyway, I am one Howard Kennedy more than the H. K. III; that is, I am Howard IV. My father H. K. III, you see. I presume you were really referring to me because the reference was to a Howard Kennedy whose slender gracefulness was delicately accented by a softly draped sweat shirt and my father (the III) was neither delicately accented or slenderly graceful since I (the IV) can remember!

Howard Jorgensen

(Ed's note — Are you the H. K. who did the baffling imitations on T.V.?)

A Logical Mistake

Perhaps I was wrong. You better go back to take-offs on Shakespeare.

T. S. Elliott

(Ed's note #2—Okay! There's one big package left. What's in it T&W?)

The card says, "I agree with T. S. Signed, T. Mad Bomber. !!!!!!!!!!"

!!!!!! BOOM! (Ed's note #3 — The bomb exploded! Run T&W!)

"Unthinkable!" moaned wounded Mr. Saalberg crawling from beneath a pile of scoops and coffee readers.

"Bet Me!" bellowed T&W.

James Thomas 'n Ruthie Wardle

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By Howard Kaslow

With the winter sports whirl just past its midway point, a brief review is in order to see how Eagle athletes have fared in their toils thus far in the 1956-57 season.

Hopes for a championship basketball team have alternated between good and poor. The Central crew, in its place, is but two games behind league leaders, Thomas Jefferson and Creighton Prep. Coach Marquiss' faithful squad has more than held its own, downing such foes as North, South, Benson and the highly-touted Tee Jay.

The pre-season key to Central success was experience. The Eagles did have it! However, under veteran coach Marquiss' tutorage the entire team has come a long way and entered the second round of competition with little—if any—disadvantage.

Phil Barth's rib injury may hamper Central's fortunes for a few weeks, but the addition of Anthony Wright to the squad will bolster Central's chances.

Freshman Johnny Nared has continued to live up to all expectations, while Art Reynolds, Gene Owens and Ken Russell are steady competitors. With the Intercity race in its pre-turmoil, there is no telling what final outcome may be; but there's no doubt that the Central cagers will be among the leaders.

Grapplers in Third

The reserve squad, on the other hand, has not fared quite so well. Phil Sulentic's boys have managed to win only two victories, and they hang onto seventh place.

Among the outstanding second-rounders have been Fred Clough, Frank Jones, Bob Sterling and Joe Sweeney. The experience that these youngsters gain this year will prove valuable when many of them move to varsity ranks next season.

Turning to the grappling scene, Central finds the Central wrestlers in third place with a 3-3 record. Angelo Cuva, Louie Miloni, Charlie Whitner and Bob Light have been among the steady winners for Coach Sorenson's team.

The primary difficulty has been the inability of some of the heavier grunts to groaners to win their crucial matches. The squad has a number of younger men who are getting valuable experience that will stand them in good stead in future contests. At this point South seems destined to retain its Intercity title, having been undefeated in six matches.

Undergrads Important

Rifle team coach Sfc. Donald Hibler has seen his boys suffer two slight losses after winning the first of-season championship without a defeat. The sharpshooters still have a chance to capture the overall title in a match between the two half-season champs later in the year. Payson Adams holds the highest Intercity shooting average.

Ed Clark's determined aquamen have given a number of more experienced teams a "swim for their money" even though the Eagles haven't been able to bring home a victory yet. A great deal of credit is due the boys of the swimming team for their interest and hard work.

Junior Kuniaki Mihara has been one of the bright spots in the liquid sport picture. He's been a steady competitor and has won at least one in every match.

It is indeed gratifying to note the unusually large number of sophomores and juniors participating in varsity competition. Central athletes seem to be in a transition period in which the coaches must attempt to compensate for the lack of veterans. All of the seniors are to be congratulated for fine job under the existing handicaps.

Eagles Upset Tee Jay; Eclipsed by A.L. Crew

by Bob Oberman

Thomas Jefferson's Yellowjackets fell before Central's roundball team 55-41 on the Eagle maples Jan. 22 in what proved to be the biggest upset of the current Intercity league season.

Without the services of injured Phil Barth the Eagles struggled through the first quarter, trailing by a margin of 13-10. The Flyboys broke the game open in the second quarter with a flurry of baskets by Ken Russell. However, the important factor in grabbing the lead was that Central began to control both boards.

Owen Takes Charge

The Purples grabbed their first lead of the game with 4½ minutes left in the second quarter on a set shot by Dick Nared. From that point on Art Reynolds and Gene Owen were constantly breaking-up and intercepting Yellowjacket passes to hamper the Tee Jay attack and give the Eagles a 31-23 halftime lead.

Central gradually pulled away from Tee Jay in the second half. Owen took charge of the scoring in the final half by contributing 12 points and gobbling up many rebounds.

Defense Stymies Stars

The Eagle defense limited Tee Jay's top scorers, Bob Frieze and Bruce Johnson, to only 14 and 7 points, respectively.

Ken Russell took scoring honors for Central by meshing 17 points. He was closely followed by Owen and John Nared, who both garnered 12 points.

Abraham Lincoln's court crew dumped Central's Eagles 49-42 Jan. 18 in the Eagle gym. Phil Barth set the pace for the Purples in the opening quarter by gunning home Central's first 4 field goals.

After enjoying a 14-10 first quarter lead, the Flyboys couldn't buy a

basket in the second stanza. Not until six minutes had elapsed in the quarter did Gene Owen tally Central's first field goal. The Eagles trailed 25-22 at intermission.

A. L.'s fast break, which was working to perfection in the second half, caused the Eagles to drop as far as 12 points behind at one time.

The Purples made a valiant attempt to knot the score midway in the final quarter, but excessive fouling cost them the game.

Barth led Central scorers with 18 points, and Bob Hannon tallied 17 points for the Lynx.

Central Grapplers Drop Decisions To Potent North, South Wrestlers

Central's grapplers got off to a bad start in the second round of mat meets by dropping a 31-14 tilt to South, the defending champs, on Jan. 22.

Angelo Cuva, Louie Miloni, Andre McWilliams and George Crenshaw were the Eagles' only victors, while Jim Howard garnered the remaining points in a 2-2 draw with Jack Philby.

McWilliams, a strong young 154-lb. sophomore, beat seasoned Paul Rowe 4-3 to capture his second varsity victory in three attempts. He drew with Bruce O'Callaghan of North in his debut on the squad and has yet to drop a match.

Second Team Upsets

Cuva decided the Packer's Gary Kirwan 5-0, and Miloni won his match 9-2 conquering Ed Nemecek. Crenshaw decided Melvin Masek 3-0 for the Eagles final victory. Morris Meadows then lost a decision to Richard Neville, and Bill Hyde was pinned by Bill Pickering in 3:05.

State Champ Richard Brown from South had a tough time with Charlie Whitner but the flashy Packer nevertheless won 13-6. Bob Light lost a decision to Clint Meehan, 6-2, and Mike Govan, Chuck Ravitz and Bruce McGilvray were all pinned. Central's second team won their match 28-26 to hand South's second team its first loss in four years. Mike Melin, Eugene Hilton, Kendall Brink, John Chamberlain and Phil Johnson were among the Central's victors.

Smooth Sailing!

Thomas Jefferson's wrestlers went winless on Friday, Jan. 18, in the Eagle gym, as a vicious Central squad literally tore up the dazzled Tee Jay crew, 47-2.

The Eagles nailed six of their twelve competitors to the mat and lost their only two points to Bill Vogt who drew with Meadows.

Cuva, Miloni, Whitner, McGilvray, Howard and Crenshaw all pinned their men for 30 of Central's season-high total of 47 points. Govan, Ra-

Hoopster Heroes

JUNIOR, PHIL BARTH—The only letterman back from last year's fine squad, Phil is the sparkling 6 foot 2 inch junior who is this season's floor leader. He is a consistent shot from both outside and inside and patrols the boards well. Barth's experience and ability should help the Eagles to finish far above the predicted cellar position.

JUNIOR, KEN RUSSELL—Ken is another 6 foot 2 inch junior whose size and speed make him an exceptional rebounder. Experience should give him more polish and improve his shots.

JUNIOR, EUGENE OWEN—Owens is a good shooter and will be one of the team's consistent scorers. This junior stands 6 feet tall and is another aggressive, well-groomed ball handler. He has had little varsity experience but demonstrates a veteran's confidence.

JUNIOR, ART REYNOLDS—"Little Art", the Eagles' smallest competitor at 5 foot 7 inches, is an adept ball handler and a little "fire-pot" on the floor. He'll contribute much pep and vigor to the Flyer's fast floor attack.

FRESHMAN, JOHNNY NARED—Johnny is the first freshman to be playing varsity basketball at Central for many years. He's an excellent shot and handles the ball with a show of experience. Johnny stands 6 foot 2 inches and should be one of the Eagles' top scorers.

Hoopsters Seek Revenge From Slipping Packers

Warren Marquiss' giant-killers, fresh from an upset defeat of Tee Jay on Jan. 22, move to South High tonight in an attempt to earn a third-place tie in the Intercity court standings with the Packers.

Coach Cornie Collin's roundball crew, which mauled the Eagles in first round competition, 63-32, has not fared so well in subsequent contests. The Packers lost to Tee Jay by three points and dropped an even closer game Jan. 25 to Creighton Prep, 41-

40. The Bluejays also handed South its other loss earlier in the season.

Even the last place Benson Bunnies managed to knock off the highly touted 1956 champs, but the game was later forfeited to South because of Benson's use of an ineligible player.

Key men in the Packer attack are Ernest Littlejohn and Don Ostronic. Littlejohn, a 6 foot 4 inch center, is a tremendous rebounder and a constant scoring threat. He flipped in 26

points against the Eagles in their first clash this season.

Ostronic, South's chief floor man at 6 foot 2½ inches, consistently augments the talents of Littlejohn. Big Don must concede nothing under the boards, and his keen eye allowed him to tally 184 points last season.

Dave Wiksell and Ron Swanson, two other senior lettermen, ably handle the guard spots, while junior Claude Thomas rounds out the squad at the other forward position.

Larry Kozeny, a senior, and Larry McClinton, a junior, add bench strength at guard and center assignments.

Barth Out of Action

On the Central side of the ledger Phil Barth's injured rib will keep him out of action tonight. Barth, the team point leader and only letterman, will probably have to hold down a sideline seat for another week or two.

With Barth out of the game against Tee Jay, junior Ken Russell took on both boys' share of the load. Russell scored 17 points before fouling out in the third quarter and managed to control both boards almost singlehandedly.

Veteran Returns

Coach Marquiss will start regulars Gene Owen, John Nared and Art Reynolds along with Russell. Seniors Howard Lipton and Richard Nared will probably see action in Barth's spot. Both Lipton and Nared proved their fill-in ability against Tee Jay.

One bright spot in the Central picture is the return to action of Anthony Wright. Wright, an outstanding junior who added needed strength to the 1956 squad, was ineligible last semester but has been working out with the team.

Game time is 8 p.m. on the Packer maples.

	W.	L.
Tee Jay	6	2
Creighton Prep	6	2
South	5	3
Abe Lynx	5	3
CENTRAL	4	4
North	2	6
Tech	2	6
Benson	2	6

	W.	L.
Creighton Prep	8	0
Abe Lynx	5	3
Tee Jay	5	3
Benson	4	4
North	4	4
Tech	3	4
CENTRAL	2	6
South	0	7

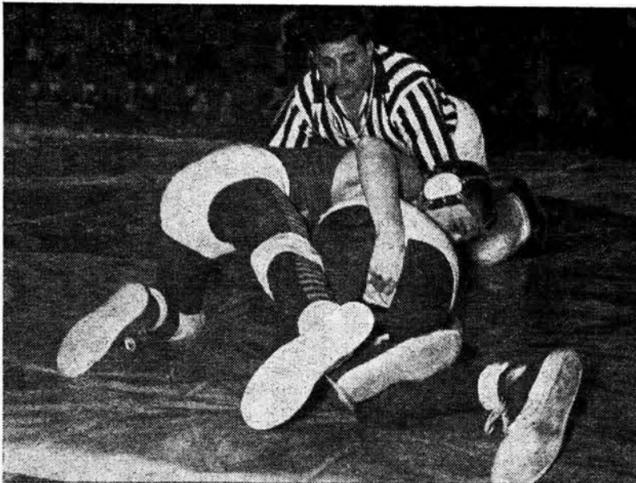


photo by Jack Pearson
Veteran grappler Angelo Cuva—en route to 5-0 decision over South's Gary Kirwan.

Girls Bowling Ends; Mary Foley on Top

Central's Monday bowling league completed its season Jan. 14 with Kay Showell bowling the day's high game of 146. Mary Ann Foley reaped high series honors with a 262. Mary Ann also holds the league's high average of 129.

Final leaders:

	W.	L.	Pins
Whiz Kids	14	2	6,434
*Hot Shots	11	4	6,980
Turkey Trotters	10	6	6,980
Lucky Ducks	10	6	6,579
Strike Outs	10	6	6,340
*Tied 1 game.			

Wednesday League

Wednesday's league wrapped up action Jan. 16. Ellie Guide rolled 120 for high game, and Linda Disbrow took high series honors with a 223. Kathy Splitterger had the season high average of 111.

Final standings:

	W.	L.	Pins
Pin Balls	10	6	4,458
RLLK	10	6	4,201
Ace Bowlers	9	7	4,187
Pin Savers	8	8	4,668
Strikers	7	9	2,221
? Ers	4	12	2,985

Thursday Action

Carol Krush had the high game of 162 as the Thursday league finished its action Jan. 23. Jeannie Silver had the high series of 290. Sandy Sechrest held the league's high average of 124.

Final leaders:

	W.	L.	Pins
Mighty Midgets	13	3	6,450
Bowling Bums	13	3	5,594
Strike Outs	11	5	5,461
Lucky Strikes	10	6	6,090
Eagle-ettes	10	6	5,293

Andrew's Young Eagles Nipped By Trojans, A.L.

Five more points by the freshman "A" team would have meant three victories instead of their present one-win and two-loss record. After winning the inaugural from North they lost to Tech Jan. 19 by two points, 23-21. The next week they were nipped again by A. L., 55-54.

Against the Lynx Central lost their lead in the fourth quarter and were not able to pull the game out. Helping the Eagle cause were timely baskets by Steve Scholder and newcomers Walter Graves and Joe Belitz. Roosevelt Mason, hitting most of his shots, was high-point man with 18 while Scholder dumped in 10.

Central's freshman "B" team is on the way to winning the Intercity title. They defeated Tech 28-15 and one week later bounced back to rout A. L. by 33-17.

Cagers Clip Lynx For Second Win

Central's reserve basketball team notched its second victory of the season on Jan. 18 by downing Abraham Lincoln 50-42 in the Central gym.

The Eagles maintained a slim lead throughout most of the first half, due principally to the 16 points which Frank Jones meshed.

Central's Bruce Hunter, Joe Sweeney and Jones controlled most of the rebounds during the game. Bob Sterling and Bob Peterson both turned in excellent floor games for the young Purples.

Jones and Peterson were high men for Central with 19 and 18 points, respectively.

The Eagle reserves dropped a tough 51-47 decision to Tee Jay Jan. 22 on the Eagle court.

First half scoring was very close, as the halftime score of 20-18 in Tee Jay's favor would indicate.

As the game progressed, it became apparent that the team which controlled the boards was going to win.

Although Central was never far behind, they had trouble coping with the well-balanced Council Bluffs outfit.

Pat Salerno, in his first reserve game, led Central with 12 points.

Wrestling Standings

	W.	L.
South	6	0
North	5	1
CENTRAL	3	3
Tech	2	3
Abe Lynx	0	4
Tee Jay	0	5

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Central High Spotlight—

PTA Meeting Features Counseling; Plans for College Night Underway

"Career and Counseling Night" was the theme of the Jan. 16 meeting of the PTA. Counselors and department heads advised parents on students' school activities. Mr. Planteen also spoke to the parents.

March 20 will be "College Night". Approximately 100 colleges and universities will be represented. Students from Omaha high schools and surrounding areas are invited.

Excuse Me!

One of the more absent minded of Central's teaching staff was just about to leave school one day recently when a ninth hour student came in.

Being in a hurry, the teacher dismissed the boy with a curt warning against talking "again." "But," protested the boy, "I didn't talk. You gave me a ninth hour for forgetting my text book."

Movie Man

"Contrasts by Clark," a movie contrasting the ways of life in southern France and Copenhagen, Denmark, was shown by Ed Clark, English teacher, to his English VII classes last week.

This film, taken by Mr. Clark during the summer of 1955, was especially relevant to senior English because it showed Hamlet's castle in Elsinore, Denmark, and scenes from a pantomime theater.

Theater Talk

Mrs. Amy Sutton, dramatics instructor at Central, attended the National Speech and Educational Theater conference held in Chicago during Christmas vacation.

In accordance with the conference, Mrs. Sutton has been asked to join the faculty of the National High School Institute of Speech, a summer conference for high school students who are interested in a career in speech and dramatics.

Advertisement for Towle Sterling Valentines featuring silver flutes and a record shop.

Biologist-lecturer Shows Colored Nature Films

Thomas Cargon, biologist, lecturer and photographer presented an activity program for the student body, Thursday, Jan. 31.

Mr. Cargon showed two time-lapse color motion pictures called "Beauties and Beasts" and "Ballet of Flowers", the latter an exciting real-life drama of unusual plants. Included in this movie were flowers in action, carnivorous plants, plant oddities and dancing flowers.

I. Famous Alumni: Actor Henry Fonda—

Stage-hand Sweeps Way to Screen Stardom

This is the first of a series of features on noted Central graduates.

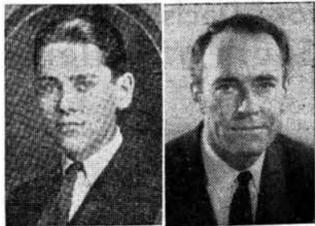
Back in the third year of the Roarin' Twenties a certain young man graduated from Omaha Central High school. He was Henry Fonda, who is today one of America's foremost actors.

As a junior at the Hilltop, Henry was a member of Hi-Y. His graduation O-Book describes Henry as a person who "has great ability in art. He can detect a good picture or a pretty girl with no trouble at all."

After coming home from the University of Minnesota, Henry wanted to ply a career as a journalist. He couldn't find a newspaper job and drifted into acting. In October, 1925, he placed in try-outs at the young Omaha Community Playhouse and received a small part.

After this Henry spent most of his time at the Playhouse, painting scenery, ushering, sweeping up the stage, pulling the curtain. But his break came when he got the lead in "Merton of the Movies."

Henry received great praise for this role but in an interview in an October, 1928, issue of the Central High Register, he stated: "I prefer light parts. I don't intend to make acting by profession. It is just my hobby. I am a business man."



1923 1957 Henry Fonda... Stage-hand.

Henry contact the motion picture industry. Henry had a \$100 a week job on Broadway and wanted to keep it. He decided to ask the movie company for \$350 a week thinking he would discourage them. However, before he could contact them, he was offered \$1,000 a week and his Broadway career ended abruptly. He starred in 41 movies before enlisting in the Navy during World War II.

After the war he returned to Broadway in "Mister Roberts", the role which placed him in view of the public eye as a truly great actor. Since that time this famous CHS alumnus has starred in the motion picture version of "Mr. Roberts", and in "War and Peace".

Mr. Fonda returned to Omaha in June, 1955, as a guest star opposite Dorothy McGuire in the Omaha Community Playhouse presentation of "The Country Girl".

Student's Theme Probes Controversy—

Mid-East Military Strategists Label Kremlin 'Volunteer' Threat as Sham

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Syria as a staging area. But mountain passes here are few and could be blocked by bombing. Iran, allied to the West, is likely to resist and call for Western aid. Iraq is highly anti-Russian and cannot be counted on by the Soviets. The distance from Russia to Syria by land is 1,400 miles.

By air—Russia must send ships through the Dardanelles into the Mediterranean to Egypt or Syria. But Britain's fleet can easily blockade the Mediterranean coast if shooting starts. Turkey, allied to the West, can stop Soviet ships from going through the Dardanelles in wartime. The distance from Russia by sea is 1,600 miles, to Egypt by sea, 1,500 miles.

A bigger war over the Suez, in other words, is definitely not expected now by experienced military men in the Middle East, despite all of the Kremlin's bluster.

U.S. Health Officials Seek Medical Cards

Every year the United States Public Health authorities require all public high schools to give medical cards to junior students. These cards are to be filled out by a physician and returned to the school nurse before commencement.

Mrs. Marie Dwyer, Central High nurse, reports that from the senior class only 35 girls and 16 boys have returned their medical cards, given to them last year.

Colleges, the business world and armed forces agree that students should have a thorough examination before graduating from high school.

Mrs. Dwyer said, "Students should co-operate with us not only because the cards are required, but also because serious illnesses in later life may be prevented."

Miss Luhr Judges Comic Contest

Miss Zenaide Luhr, art department head of Central high, will act as a judge on a five-member committee appraising entries in the World-Herald's big comics contest.

Working with Miss Luhr on the committee will be chairman, Herb Armbrust, World-Herald youth activities director; Miss Evelyn Simpson, women's editor of the World-Herald; Henry Barrow, World-Herald editorial cartoonist, and Homer Schleh, World-Herald art director.

The World-Herald big comics contest offers 13 cash prizes, a grand prize of a weekend in New York City

and a \$450 art course to students submitting the best comic or adventure strip character.

Entries may be sent to: Comics Contest, World-Herald, Omaha 2, Nebr., until February 11. The only requirement for entering the contest is that the student is under 15 years of age.

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I can't say I blame the old boy After all, where else can you get such great clothes for SO MUCH LESS? After seeing Bonnie Burnett, Angelo Cova, Miss Blanche Eleanor Falkenstein, Serena Dwyer and Mr. Planteen roaming around there at various times, guess it's pretty unanimous.

Little Bo Peep Was losing sleep For she had nothing neat to wear Then at Brandeis store, She found clothes galore: And now she buys everything there.

Enormous Satchels

Bo Peep's motto being "The early bird finds her sheep," she found the Junior Colony just her spot. She especially liked the newest thing in shirt dresses, the SISS shirt dress. Made of no-iron Dacron, this perky dress comes in yellow, lavender, green, pink, blue or shrimp trimmed with white lace. The Junior Colony price is only \$17.95, and Liz Richards will tell you that it costs just as much to make one.

Having trouble closing your dinky little clutch purse lately? If you can spare \$4.95, your problems are solved. Junior Colony has ENORMOUS new satchels (and I mean that literally) of natural-colored leather. Judy Platner, Phyllis Abrahams, Shelley Green and Irene Winer say they're great for carrying your lunch and books, among other things.

'Fashion Plate'

A little reminder to bargain hunters: Junior Colony has been having some mammoth sales of winter skirts, sweaters and dresses. Perhaps you'll find a dress you've been mooning over for ages, reduced to a price you can pay. Look no further than the Schuette did.

Mary knew a grubby boy, Which really was a blow, 'Cause everywhere that Mary went, The creep was sure to go. He followed her to Brandeis one day, And Mary was no fool. She clued him in on Ivy League. So now he's really COOL.

First thing Mary did was tell him about the latest in crew-neck sweaters, McGregor's "Scandia" inspired by Oslo. The sweater's special feature is the vertical ribbed knit. Steve Carroll, Linda Kavitch, Sallie Markovitz and Jim Thomas all recognized a bargain in this sweater. "For only \$10 can be a grade-A fashion plate," cried Steve. "Holy cow! I'll challenge Terry Foster to his grand championship title of 'Mr. Clothes Horse of 1957!'"

'Lost Weekend' Shirt

Another item from the Campus Corner which particularly caught Mary's eye was the "Lost Weekend" shirt, especially appropriate after the Military Ball and various dinners, parties and breakfasts which followed it. Right, Payson. The shirt has stitched borders and comes in plain colors.

For boys and girls who haven't gotten their crew-neck sweaters yet (and for those who want some more), the Campus Corner has fuzzy McGregor lamb-fleece ones for \$7.95.

Rub-A-Dub-Dub If you're just a grub, I'll tell you what to do. Leap down to Brandeis, Where you pay a small price, And buy a "lambfleece cru." Adieu!

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