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57 ROTC Cadets Honored at Retreat

Central's ROTC regiment climaxed its 1956-1957 school year at its annual retreat, May 14, by honoring more than 57 cadets both individually and as units.

Best cadet awards went to Ronald Misaki, best freshman; Donald Townsend, best sophomore; and Joe Jarvis, best junior.

Receiving the new superior cadet ribbons were Justin Greenberg, Holmes Empson and Ray Thompson. The outstanding senior cadet award went to Jack Bena, and the World-Herald citizenship award was given to Bob Crosby.

This year's best squad was commanded by Edwin Pentecost, the best

platoon by William Farrell, the best company by Gary Gray and the best battalion by Payson Adams.

Each of the top five members of the rifle team—Payson Adams, Robert Julich, William McDaniel, Ken Johnson and Terry Foster—was awarded a medal for excellence in marksmanship.

Medals for the high intercity averages in the sit-and-kneel positions, as well as the high average, were given to Payson Adams. Ken Johnson received the high average stand medal.

For the coming year, Tom Conroy and Holmes Empson will head the crack squad; William McDaniel and Victor Lich will be hussar commanders; and Bernie Crossman and Bennett Hornstein will command the color guard. William McDaniel will also be captain of the rifle squad.

Central ROTC instructors, M. Sgt. John Murphy and Sgt. I.C. Solly Johnson, and Jack Bena, Central's regimental commander, were among those presenting the various awards and trophies.

History Teachers Attend Meeting

Five Central history teachers attended the combined meeting of the Nebraska History Teacher's association and the Mississippi Valley Historical association at the University of Nebraska, May 3-4.

Central teachers, the Misses Dorothy Cathers, Irma Costello, Verona Jerabek, Gayle Phillips and Mr. Fisher, heard many outstanding college history professors lecture.

One of the speakers, John D. Hicks, of the University of California, is a familiar name to Central history students. The Federal Union, The American Nation and A Short History of American Democracy are a few of his books.

The meeting also included election of officers for the Nebraska History and Social Studies Association. Miss Verona Jerabek was elected vice president.

Welch and Zalkin Capture Awards At CHP Banquet

Announcement of this year's best actor and actress was made Saturday evening, May 25, at the Central High Player's banquet held at the First Methodist Church Annex at 20th and Davenport streets. Tom Welch and Marcia Zalkin received "Amys" for best actor and actress. They had leading roles in Pygmalion. Jim Hedrick and Ruth Ann Ganzs were awarded "Amys" for best supporting actor and actress for their roles in Our Town.

The new officers of Central High Players were also announced. They are Joan Marx, president; Leanna Haar, vice-president; Ruth Ann Ganzs, recording secretary; Barbara Bercutt, corresponding secretary; Judy Fredericksen, treasurer; Madalyn Miroff, historian; Howard Kennedy, marshal; and Marlys Isack and Gregg Minter, sergeants-at-arms.

Paxson Awards To Latin Students

Four girls are the winners in the advanced category of the annual Paxson contest in Latin achievement, while three boys received the cash prizes in the intermediate category.

Fourth year students Bonnie Burnett and Carol Corteloy were first and second prize winners, respectively. Bonnie won \$10; Carol received \$6. Judy Fredericksen placed first among third year students, winning \$5. Bonnie McNeil, second, was awarded \$4.

Steve Fisk was first among second year pupils; Lowell Baumer, second; and Bruce Jafek, third. They were awarded \$3 and \$1 certificates, respectively.

Prizes, presented in honor of Susan B. Paxson, former Central Latin teacher, were awarded on the basis of scores in city-wide Latin tests.

Vocalists Tune Up For Festival Tonight

The entire vocal department will unite to present the annual Spring Music festival tonight at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Included in the program, which is free of charge and open to the public, will be the freshman glee, girls' choir and junior and a cappella choirs.

Girls' choir will sing alone for the first time in 30 years under the direction of Mrs. Elsie Howe Jensen.

Leads in this year's opera, "Oklahoma!" will be soloists for this event.

The festival will be closed as former members of the choirs join the group in singing "Salvation is Created."

Seniors Recognized Throughout Nation By Honors, Grants

As the school year draws to a close, many Centralites are receiving honors and scholarships.

Graduating seniors receiving scholarships are Pat Brady, Sterling College; Diane Brown, endowment from Sears; Tom Christensen, Dana; Mary Corbley, Nebraska State Women's Federal scholarship; Rosemary Faust, Creighton; and Paul Festeren, Yale.

Others awarded scholarships are Marty Greene, Harvard; Jean Johannsen, Midland; Larry Kahn, Iowa; Howard Kaslow, Dartmouth; Bob Nelson, Colorado college; Gary Tibbetts, CIT and MIT; Tom Welch, Colgate; and Larry Zacharia, Dartmouth.

After an exhibition at Carnegie Institute, the winners of awards were announced by the 1957 Scholastic Art awards committee. Edith Farr was awarded \$25 by the lettering department. In the photography division Steve Bergquist received a second award of \$25 and a Sylvania Supplementary award of the same amount for his "Portrait of a Person."

Roger Sharpe, also competing in this field, won the third award of \$15 and an Anso Supplementary award of \$15 for his "Still Life." His photograph, "School or Community Life," won an honorable mention.

Steve Fisk represented Central at a luncheon, May 21, given by the Exchange club for the best sophomore of each school. He was chosen for this honor in view of his outstanding scholastic and extra-curricular standing. Steve was presented with a fountain pen by Mayor John Rosenblatt.

Frosh Pamphlet New Experiment

An experimental pamphlet is being sent to all incoming freshman students this year.

The pamphlet contains useful information about the instruction offered at Central. Such subjects as courses offered, requisites for graduation, general school policies and requirements for good citizens are discussed.

This pamphlet is being tried at Central so freshmen will have a better knowledge of the required courses for developing the best education.

Freeman to Preside At Student Council

Student Council elected its officers for '57 and '58 Monday, May 13.

Sally Freeman will be taking over the reins as president, and Charon Allen is the new vice president. Linda Larsen is the council's new secretary while Bob G. Peterson will count the money next year as treasurer.

Barbara Brodkey and Nelson Gorman are the new sergeants-at-arms.

Student Council will soon elect three members to the intercity Student Council, composed of elected members from councils in the five Omaha public high schools. Sally and Linda are automatically members of this group.

Linda Larsen will be secretary for the intercity group.

Graduation Climaxes Year



Lou, Gwen, Sharon, Warren and Liz . . . robes and mortar boards

P-TA Honors 1000 Students

P-TA officers for 1957-58 were elected and installed at the P-TA meeting, April 22.

New officers are Mrs. Mervyn K. Wrench, president; Mr. J. Arthur Nelson, first vice-president; Mrs. Ralph Wardle, second vice-president; Mrs. Parke Soule, recording secretary; Mrs. Charles W. Dickerson, Jr., corresponding secretary; Mr. Arthur Krecek, treasurer; Mr. H. F. Festeren, advisor.

The P-TA commended more than 1,000 Central High students in the school auditorium after the election at the third annual Recognition night.

Centralites who have made noteworthy contributions to curricular and extra-curricular activities were recognized by Principal J. Arthur Nelson and their activity sponsors.

Summer Classes Begin Mon., June 10; Sessions To Be Held in Morning

Central High school will be the scene of summer school sessions, June 10 to July 26.

Students from high schools all over the city will attend the Monday through Saturday classes. Tuition for the summer school is \$5 per hour of instruction for all courses except instrumental music, which is \$3.50.

Two credit subjects offered, two semester's subjects combined, are General Science I and II, Biology I and II, conversational Spanish and French and third year Spanish.

Full credit subjects include courses in English, mathematics, social studies, public speaking and mechanical drawing. Half credit subjects are type, art and vocal music.

A six-week session of instrumental music will also be on the schedule. Driver education for those 15½ and over will be taught in two sessions, starting June 10 and July 3.

Anyone interested in taking summer school courses should see Mr. Nelson.

Lack of seating space in the auditorium makes it necessary that the number of guests each person may invite be strictly limited. Every senior will be given four tickets to the event to distribute among friends and relatives. No one will be admitted without a ticket.

Commencement arrangements were handled by a committee headed by Biff Olson and Rosemary Faust.

Final practice will be held June 7. It is compulsory that all graduating students attend and plan to stay until the end.

For the seniors the ceremony will be the climax of an exciting week, to begin this afternoon at 3:10 when they officially complete their last day of high school.

Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate services will be held at Dundee Presbyterian church, 5312 Underwood Ave., June 2, at 4 p. m. The speaker will be Dr. Edward W. Stimson.

On this date seniors will receive their caps and gowns, to be kept by them until commencement. Warren Barth and Liz Richards were chairman, respectively, of the cap and gown committee.

Parents and friends will be welcome at this service. There will be no reserved seats.

Senior Banquet

The seniors will meet at the Sheraton-Fontenelle hotel, June 3, at 6:30 p. m. for the annual banquet.

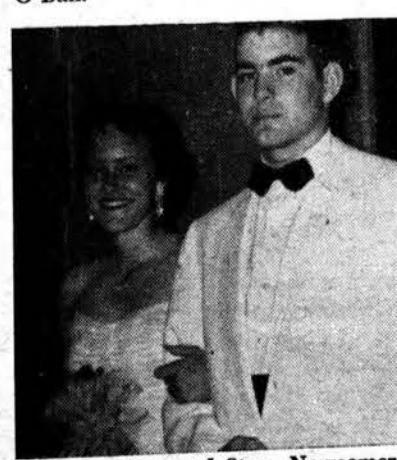
After dinner there will be dancing to the music of Eddy Haddad and his orchestra.

Chairmen and co-chairmen of the various banquet committees are Sharon Olson, and Peggy Johnson, arrangements; Bonnie Burnett and Russ Goddard, program; Ruth Wardle and Donna Sorensen, table; and Roger Dilley and Penny Buchanan, dance.

O-Club, GAA Recognize Athletes; Olson, Newcomer Rule at Ball

Central's outstanding athletes were honored at the tenth annual O-Ball, held at Peony park ballroom, May 24. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of Steve Newcomer as King of Sports and Sandy Olson, Queen.

were made by General Chairman Norman Sorensen and by committee heads named by the GAA and O-Club, Central's two sports clubs sponsoring the O-Ball.

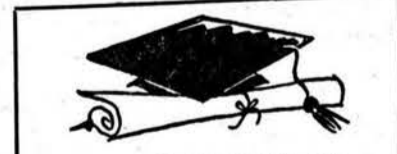


Sandra Olson and Steve Newcomer photo by Irvin Belzer

The two "Pop" Schmidt trophies were presented to Steve Newcomer, outstanding senior athlete, and to Rich Nared, best track star. Coach Norman Sorensen awarded the Mancuso brothers trophy to Angelo Cuva, outstanding senior wrestler. At this time GAA members received their awards for their work in Central's athletics.

Mr. Frank Knapple, director of athletics, was master of ceremonies. Eddy Haddad's band furnished the music for the dance following the ceremonies.

Preparations for this spring activity



We wish all '58, '59, '60 graduates "the best of luck"

- "Jungle Jim" Ann Williams
- Carol Sue 'n Penny Don Dichen
- Art Staubitz
- Peggy Soucek
- Jeff Rapp
- Jess Tagney
- Bob Epstein
- Diane 'n Jean Gwen Sandvall

Junior Honor Society

Several underclassmen were accidentally omitted from the list of Junior Honor society members in the last issue.

They are Joyce Bigger, Justin Ban, Charles Marr, Douglas Platt and Victor Shrader, Epsilon chapter; Joanne Schrag, Delta; and Anne Cockrell and Patricia Holmes, Gamma.

Centralites Keep Grammar Alive

A recent survey shows that, according to the English skill tests, our native tongue has not abandoned the minds of many students.

These skill-tests are given to English III-VI students in order to keep alive a knowledge of grammar. If the student has not attained a certain mark, he will be required to take the English VIII-G course to learn basic grammar.

Arthur Staubitz Gains Gold Medal for History

Arthur Staubitz has been awarded the Woodmen of the World Gold Medal for the "best American history student."

Runner-up was Lowell Baumer while Laurence Zacharia placed third. Marty Greene and Carol Johnson tied for fourth place and Marvin Freedman came in fifth.

Teachers Receive Fellowships For Study at Various Colleges

School will not be over on June 7 for 8 Central teachers, Virginia Lee Pratt, Roy Busch, Don Johnson, Duane Perry, Harold Eggen and Frank Rice. They have all been awarded fellowships for summer work in various universities throughout the country.

The National Science Foundation is sponsoring awards for outstanding educators to investigate proposed changes in high school mathematics and science curricula. Under this sponsorship, Miss Pratt, Mr. Busch, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Perry plan to attend Iowa, Minnesota, Chicago and Stanford universities, respectively. The sessions, starting June 17, will last for 6 weeks.

Mr. Eggen, who will study at Iowa State Teachers college, will attend 6

weekly sessions over the subjects of genetics and math in their relations to biology. The first session, beginning the week of June 24, is also sponsored by the National Science foundation.

Mr. Rice, head of the English department, has been awarded a fellowship in American Studies at the University of Wyoming. The program, sponsored by the Coe endowment, has chosen 25 superior American educators to attend the five-week session, June 10 - July 12.

Other Central teachers will also be studying this summer. Those attending the University of Omaha are Mr. Murray, Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. Truell, Miss McVicker, Mr. Sulentic, Mrs. Paden, Mrs. Dillman and Mrs. McKean.

The Future Beckons

It is with no little consideration that we seniors contemplate the future. Within a very few days four years of study, of activity, and of growth will have drawn to a close; and as the uncertain period of adolescence nears its end, we cannot help but wonder if we are now ready to assume some of the burdens and the responsibilities of an adult world.

Our answer to this query must be that of countless generations before us: We are willing and unafraid.

We live in an age of turmoil and controversy on one hand and of progress and prosperity on the other. For which of these powerful forces we choose to bear arms is our choice to make.

The great endowment that Central High School has given to us has been the opportunity to train our minds and develop our talents so that we may wisely and maturely make our choice of how we shall serve the future and our fellow man.

Ahead of us lie college study, the armed services, or some for mof employment. To you, my classmates, who will undertake these varied occupations, and to all who follow us, I say: No aspiration is too great, no goal too lofty, no ambition too extravagant if we remember always to bear ourselves in a manner that will reflect creditably upon our parents, our school, our community, and ourselves. For then indeed will the world profess confidently that we have made the proper choice, and will it welcome us as productive and contributing members of its society.

If we resolve to strive in the American tradition alongside the forces of progress, then we can, as Longfellow said, "Go forth to meet the shadowy Future without fear and with a manly heart."

Howard Kaslow
Senior Class President, 1957

Death For You?

Innocent teenagers are condemned because of the reckless driving of a few. Property is damaged because of the driving of a few. Even a life may be snuffed out because of a few. Why?

Why do a few drive this way? Do they think it's a timely opportunity to demonstrate courage and bravery? Are they really proving fearlessness by stepping on the pedal and watching the needle climb to 90?

Definitely not! Whether they realize it or not, they are actually displaying sheer cowardice, proving how "chicken" they are, for it takes solid nerve to do the right thing. Only a strong character is able to withstand the ridicule and razzing of others.

Maybe they feel more adult or grown-up when they step down a little harder on that pedal in order to pass the next three cars ahead of them. But they are mistaken again if they think that adults would intentionally endanger lives. It takes but a split second to lose control of a car. If this happens, it may mean death.

Lacerated Languages

FRENCH?

- Fin de siecle - I'll give you five dollars for bicycle
- Debut - North end of a south-bound mule
- Loin - What you came to high school to do
- Petit - What you should do to your dog
- Bois - What girls marry
- Coup - What they keep chickens in
- Debarquer - A watchdog
- Carte Blanche - Better take Blanche home
- Pas de deux - Pass the duck
- Chef du gare - Shift the gears
- Eclair - What did you say, Claire?
- Matin - Ouch, my sunburn
- Bigamist - Foggy day in Italy

LATIN?

- Lax no scripta - Too lazy to write
- Hic haec hoc - Who's been drinking?
- Sic est ut dixi - I was sick down south
- Victoria gaudet - Vicky has it
- Pax vobiscum - Pass the biscuits

SPANISH?

- Ayudar - Are you there?
- Castillo - Abbott's partner
- Porque - Pig's meat
- Tres - What grow in Brooklyn
- Coman, Tomas - Come on to my house
- Digale que sobre - The girl is sober
- Que lo haga Carlos - Carl's got a blind date

-Max Shulman's
Guided Tour of Campus Humor

Last Will

As seniors we have stood the test
Now juniors you must do your best!
From us big wheels to you li'l
spokes,

We leave you much, including
funny jokes!

Marty Green leaves his colorful name to Greg Svolopoulos.

Howard Kaslow leaves all of his Bull to the new sports staff.

Liz Richards leaves O.U. until next year! Ho, ho.

Jane Rowland leaves her cow eyes to the biology classes.

Lowell and Bonnie leave Bayer aspirins to Mary Ann Damme and Gretchen Shellberg.

Ruth Wardle leaves Central for Radcliffe.

Karen Rigby leaves her "I Like Karen" pin to Ike.

Al Jensen leaves his sincerity to Leonard Sweeney.

Steve Newcomer leaves his favorite record, "Once I Had a Secret Love," to next year's BMOC.

Dianne Fellman . . . she doesn't want to leave!

Dick Chamberlain leaves Martha, mostly!

Chuck Evans leaves . . . with Dick! Jim Thomas leaves his blush to John Salladay.

Diane Brown leaves Jean Johannsen . . . finally!

Jan Mastos leaves for Lincoln (after a brief stop at Tiner's).

Carol McVicker leaves her neat, neat history outlines to the world's foremost decipherist.

Laurie Frank leaves her crown to tarnish.

Ray Thompson leaves . . . whoops . . . he stayed to polish the crown.

Sharon Olson leaves her Brooklyn accent to Mrs. Ring.

Marilyn Olsen leaves her famous snort to Jann Bottom.

Carol Cortelyou leaves her dry humor to Linda Kavich. (?)

Tom Christensen leaves his slinky walk to Mike Melin.

Biff Olson leaves his no-hit gems to Art Reynolds.

Jack Pearson leaves the innocent freshmen to next year's con man.

Dody Shapiro leaves for greener pastures.

Centralitis

by Phyllis Bernstein

When spring arrives,
And summer's near,
A high school lad
Is filled with cheer.

Dances, rides and parties
Constitute his fun.

His life is awfully busy;
His homework's never done.

The lighter things upon his mind
Make school seem secondary.

But spring is only once a year
So, why not be gay and merry!

Studies aren't important
Until he gets his grades.

Then his life, in general,
Looks like the ace of spades.

His mind was like a crystal ball;
The future bright ahead.

He pictured summer mornings
When he could stay in bed.

But now the looming future
Looks very black and dim.

No days of carefree pleasure,
It's summer school for him!!!

One last word to wiser teens,
Or you, too, will be "dead" -

Live the summer with your heart
And springtime with your head!

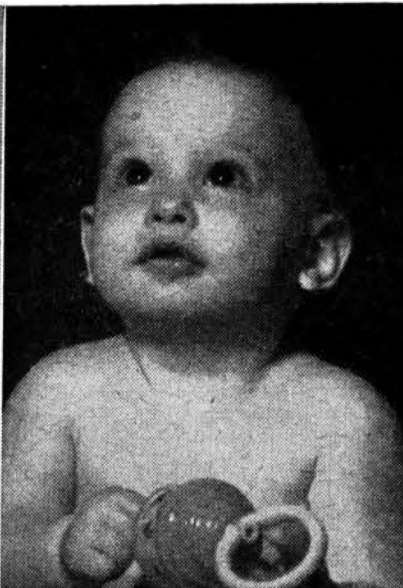
Central Profiles

Pretty Baby

Gwen 'n George



Gwen



George

Winners of the annual senior baby picture contest have been announced: Cutest boy.....George Bialac
Cutest girl.....Gwen Sandvall
Most changed.....Shelly Green
Least changed.....Lynn Fricke
Most personality.....Bonny Spiegall

Judges for the event were faculty members Mr. Harry Stayer, Miss Zenaide Luhr, Mrs. Amy Sutton.

George Bialac's first great triumph over the English language was the magnificent two syllable word "Da da."

At an early age he revealed that he is venerable to the suggestions of the opposite sex. Under the influence of his older sister, our boy George rode his tricycle down a flight of concrete steps. However, the venture was not successful, and he wound up with a painful bump on the noggin.

George does not have an inferiority complex. He won money on a bet that his picture would win the contest.

George is a First Lieutenant in ROTC. As a hockey fan, he mourns the fact that his favorite team, the Omaha Knights, no longer exists.

His future occupation is still undecided, but he plans to attend the University of Oklahoma next year. George is considering an Air Force career as a test pilot.

Club Corner

Presenting New Officers

Here are the officers for the 1957-1958 school year for the following clubs:

French Club: Charlotte Brodkey, president; Gretchen Shellberg, vice president; Helen Spilman, secretary; Karen Schultz, treasurer; Phil Gorelick and Barbara Garber, sergeants-at-arms.

Future Nurses: Ruth Ann Gansz, president; Judy Brown, vice president; Mary Ann Foley, secretary-treasurer; Diane Rich, corresponding secretary.

Hi-Y: Bob A. Peterson, president; Rusty Clark, vice president; Holmes Empson, secretary; Tim Thoelecke, treasurer; Kent McCallum, chaplain.

G. A. A.: Linda Jelen, president; Ginger Kelly, vice president; Judy Nichols, secretary; Sue Voss, treasurer; Sharon Anderson, Diane Ferguson,

Carol Krush, Karen Skanning, sergeants-at-arms.

Greenwich Villagers: Jackie Jepsen, president; Kitty Shearer, vice president; Andy Gross, secretary; Karen Schultz, treasurer; Line Miller and David Hoffman, sergeants-at-arms.

Inter-American Club: Jane Gabrielson, president; Jan Severance, vice president; Sandra Matters, secretary; Margie Dohse, treasurer; Greg Erwin and Pam Mead, sergeants-at-arms.

Math Club: Brad Lacina, president; Paul Shyken, vice president; Dennis Lacina, secretary-treasurer.

Red Cross Council: Andy Jean Gross, president; Nancy Lewis, vice president; Maureen Zevitz, secretary; Gretchen Shellberg, treasurer; Mary Ann Damme, committee chairman; Tony Kaplan, reporter.

The Outdoorsmen club picnic was held this year at Ray's Valley Lakes. Thirty-five members and their dates attended the event.

Some of the main activities of the afternoon were swimming, boating and baseball. Though Mr. Clarke pitched for the girls' team, the boys won by a score of 37-6.

A bonfire was built on the beach to dry out some of the victims of rambunctious Outdoorsmen who were pushed into the water, clothes and all.

Everyone went home with clean cars thanks to more of the Outdoorsmen who sprayed shaving soap on all of the vehicles.

Central's Chess club won the city-wide chess tournament Saturday, May 18. Members of the winning team were Jack Lieb, Marty Bercovici, Brad Lacina, and Dennis Lacina. Dennis Lacina received a book for being the most promising young chess player in Omaha.



"Do you think we should tell the readers who's writing this column?"

"No, I think we should keep it quiet for a while."

"Well, what if they like it?"

"Don't worry. They won't."

"I like it."

"No wonder. You wrote it."

"Well, what are you doing on top of the type-writer?"

"Damn it Haar, you gave my name away. I'm reading Simple Ideas for Simple Minds."

"That figures. What's in it?"

"Just 434 pages."

"Would you mind moving your feet so I can write the column? It's about summer vacation, you know."

"This should be good."

Bon Voyage

Are you one of the unfortunates being forced to leave the enchanting atmosphere of Tiner's for a boring jaunt to California or Bermuda? That's too bad. If the following games don't keep you awake on the trip, you probably need the sleep.

On boats: Put a pair of barracuda in the ship's swimming pool. Start a mutiny with some of the other passengers - especially successful if you outnumber the crew.

On buses: Let the back of your reclining seat down, and gaze thoughtfully at the person behind you. Organize penny-pushing races up and down the aisle.

On trains: Test the pop-out windows to see if they really work. Lead a small group in singing the Mickey Mouse club song at 3:00 a.m. This will awaken the other passengers who will gladly join in.

If you haven't yet gotten a job, the following suggestions might prove helpful, though most likely they won't (prove helpful, that is).

1. Test tube washers are needed badly in large chemical plants; however, you must be small enough to fit in a test tube.
2. Collect grass, and sell it to chlorophyll toothpaste manufacturers.
3. Get a job scraping dance stickers off stop signs.
4. Remove gum from water fountains.

Fun Is Where You Find It

Summer vacation wouldn't be complete without several hundred parties. These parties have been tested and discarded by a U. S. Senate investigating subcommittee that didn't have anything to investigate.

1. Have a Get-lost party! Everyone meets in the old Mormon cemetery, and at 9:37 p.m. the host shouts, "Get lost!" then the guests, who have cautiously brought along a 14-day supply of food, scatter in every direction. The character who stays on the F.B.I. Missing Persons Bureau list for three years or longer wins.

"Say, Haar."

"Don't interrupt me. I just got started."
"We're running out of space, and we haven't congratulated T&W (or is it W&T) for winning a silver key from Nebraska university and a 2nd place University of Omaha award."

"Congratulations. Now back to our next party."

"I hate to interrupt again, but we haven't wished everybody a happy vacation."

"Oh. Happy vacation!"

leanna & marty

P.S. - Write any complaints in the box at the right, and mail to leanna & marty, c/o Royal Igloo, Juneau, Alaska.

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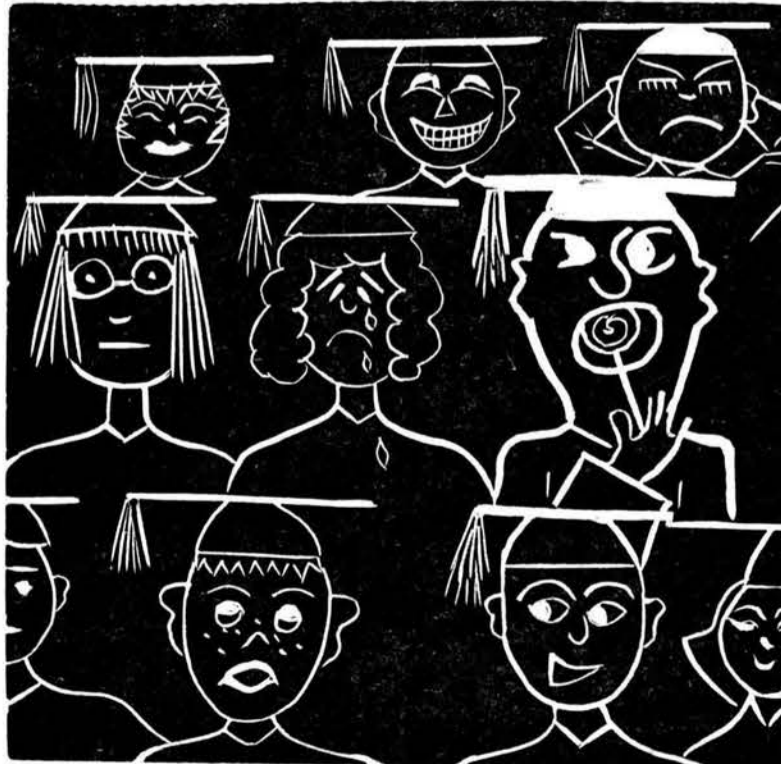
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bull pen



By Howard Kaslow

It's not difficult to write this final Bullpen, but the denizen of the warm-up spot must confess some remorse at the knowledge that it's the last one. It has been a source of both pride and pleasure to have been associated with Central High athletics for the past four years. There is no question that participation in sporting activities is rewarding in the relationships that are created among team members and coaching staffs, in the contributions that teamwork makes to maturity and in physical and emotional development that takes place in an eager athlete.

Behind the Scenes

Sportsmanship is the essence of athletics, and nowhere has it been better demonstrated than on the gridirons, the courts and the tracks where Central teams have participated during 1956-57.

In every phase of life the final act is but a minute part of the work that goes into its preparation, and this is no less true in athletics.

Eagle sportsmen owe a great deal to their coaching staffs, a group of men whose patience, skill and interest are the catalyst which binds together a successful squad. Appreciation is due the men behind the scenes as well, gentlemen such as Frank Knappe, who has spent many long hours planning schedules, arranging contests and seeing that all of the fellows retain their eligibility.

Perseverance

Of course, these tributes must not detract from the boys who are out there on the field at game time, hoping that their long nights of practice will pay off in victory. They're not just the varsity, but the freshmen and the reserves and the student managers, too.

We've seen many a lad work his way up to the first string after three years of tough competition, good and bad breaks and plenty of perseverance. The achievements of seniors who fall into that category are not only to their everlasting credit but also stand as guideposts to those individuals who will, in years to come, seek to equal these performances.

Records are broken; new records are set. And this will continue to happen as long as the good sports who wear the "purple and white" remember that it's only the job that they do which will score the last run or make the winning basket or drop in a tie-breaking putt. No doubt many a boy has learned this at Central, and of that, too, we're proud.

Thanks

The news and views of sports happenings around Eagleville could never have been brought to you as they were this year without the top-notch job of reporting turned in by Bob Oberman, Tom Christensen and Joe Knowles.

Carol Johnson has done an outstanding job of keeping us up to date on girls' sports, while Marty Greene, the "boss man," has also been a great help throughout the year. To all of those persons this writer is indebted.

As the time comes to turn the old bull out into the pasture for the summer, we're turning this spot over to Howard Weinberg and his assistant sports editor, Holmes Empson, whose pleasant responsibility will be to give you a box seat as the fortunes of Eagle performers pass in review next year. "Victory, victory, that's our cry..." —and our wish for Central.

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Batsmen Win Three; Upset North, Benson

The Eagle diamond men ended this year's baseball season with a very respectable 5-5 record. The last half of the season proved very successful for Jim Karabatsos' crew, a team predicted to finish next to last.

Central went down in defeat to Tech in the season's finale. Three base hits, two walks, and a costly error enabled the Maroons to get five big runs in the second inning. With the exception of this inning, sophomore pitcher Alex Stolarsky pitched a very fine ball game.

The outlook brightened when Central triumphed over Creighton Prep, 8-3, May 22, under the fine pitching of Tom Christensen.

With the score tied 3-3 at the end of the sixth inning, the Eagles pushed across five runs in the seventh to win the game. Key doubles by Howard Lipton, Steve Newcomer, and Pat Salerno along with Roger Dilley's single proved the difference.

Olson Wins Own Game

Fontenelle park was the scene of the year's most thrilling contest as Central downed the Benson Bunnies, 14-9.

At the end of six innings the Eagle nine led by Central's mound ace, Biff Olson, was breezing along with a 9-2 margin. Suddenly the roof fell in as the Bunnies scored seven runs to tie the score in the seventh.

Going into the ninth with the score still tied 9-9, the Eagles exploded for five big runs to win the game. Biff Olson won his own game with the tie-breaking single.

Howard Kennedy, one of the Intercity's top batsmen, had a perfect day at the plate.

Netmen Cop Second Spot In City Play

Central's tennis team stroked its way to a second place finish in Intercity play with three successive wins over Abraham Lincoln, North and Tech.

Undeclared Creighton Prep accounted for the Eagle netmen's second loss on May 8.

Abe Lincoln fell before the Purple racket squad as Keith Stevens, in singles, and Pete Hoagland and Jack Lieb, in doubles, routed their opponents.

Dick Donelson and Stevens led the Eagle attack against North. However, the Viking doubles team did manage to wrest a victory from Hoagland, Lieb and Fred Burbank.

Hoagland Stars

Coach Esmond Crown, looking toward next year, shifted Hoagland and Lieb to the singles positions.

The boys reflected Coach Crown's good judgment by outscoring the Trojan front line. Tony Gray and Burbank stepped into the doubles slot and won a decisive match.

Sophomore Pete Hoagland held his own in the Nebraska State Tennis Tournament at Lincoln, May 10-11. Pete finished in third place along with Prep's Tuck Vosburg, a member of last year's winning doubles team.

Lincoln High's Neil Unterseher, defending state champion, proved his right to the crown by trouncing second seeded Jack Craft of North Platte, 6-0, 6-0. The Lincoln ace downed Vosburg by the same score in the semi-finals.

Indoor Play

Rainy weather forced first round competition indoors on wooden courts. Because of inside play, the scoring system was changed. A limit of 12 games—or a margin of two games in matches past 12—won a match.

The tennis ball has a tendency to skid sharply and bounce lower on the wood surface. The area behind the baseline was noticeably shorter than on outdoor surfaces.

Hoagland drew a first round bye, then he defeated Dick Johnson of Fremont 12-7. In Saturday's semi-finals, Pete came close to turning the tables on second seeded Craft, who won 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

Central's Keith Stevens and Dick Donelson had trouble in their quarterfinal doubles match. The Eagle veterans were leading 5-2 when the roof fell in, Lincoln High took nine straight games. The final tally was 12-7.

The Central nine pulled another upset out of the bag, as they knocked off the high-riding North Vikings 6-1 at Boyd Field, May 17.

The Eagle "stopper" Biff Olson, silenced the big bats of the Vikings as he held them to three hits. The game started true to form as North scored in the first inning, but Biff then closed the door on the Norsemen.

Central, led by Phil Barth's double, tallied three runs in the second, and went on to score three more in the fourth inning. Howard Lipton and Barth each garnered two hits to lead the Eagle batsmen.

This game was quite a contrast to the last Central-North contest in which the Eagles were humbled 16-3.

Stolarsky Relieves

The fighting Central baseball crew lost another heart-breaker Monday, May 20, at Boyd Field, as they fell to first place South 3-2.

Al Stolarsky relieved Art Reynolds in the first inning, and the young sophomore held the Packers to five hits and one run in six and two-thirds innings.

A last inning Central rally was squelched when Roger Dilley's long fly ball was pulled down in deep left field to end the game.

Central baseballers' two game winning streak was ended at Boyd Field, Tuesday, May 7, as they were upset 9-8 by the cellar-dwelling Tech nine.

The Eagle attack was led by Subby Politi and Steve Newcomer who each collected three hits in four times at bat.

Biff Olson pitched creditably as he fanned eight Tech batters, but four errors behind him were costly.

Jay Murrell sent the Tech crew home victorious with a two-run homer in the bottom of the sixth inning.

TRACK

Eagle's Ken Russell, Phil Secret, Bob Sterling and Eugene Owen consistently improve their mile relay time.

Juniors Ken, Bob and Gene and senior Phil have won the mile relay event at every track meet in which Central has competed this year.

Cinders flew as they won the State meet with a speedy 3:31.1.

Each received a World-Herald championship gold medal for the feat.

Previously, the boys, running only .3 seconds slower, aided Central's win in the qualifying O. U. District carnival.



Four Earn Double Victory In State, 'City' Mile Relay

The mile relay team was Central's only bright spot under the dismal skies that prevailed at the 55th annual State High School Track Meet in Lincoln, Saturday, May 11.

The team of Russell, Secret, Sterling and Owen covered the eight fur-

longs in 3:31.1 to lead the field and garner a gold medal for the feat.

The track was in good condition for the amount of rain it had soaked up in the previous days, but it was far from ideal.

Most Qualifiers

Central finished the Friday preliminaries with more qualifiers than any other school with five. However, lack of entrants in the hurdles and field events definitely hurt the Eagles, as they finished fourth with 14 points, 10½ points behind Scottsbluff, the grand champions.

Frank Jones, our only qualifier in a jump with a hurdle of 5' 8".

Girls' Crew Beaten In Semi-Finals

The girls' tennis city-wide elimination tournament began May 15 at Dewey Park.

In the singles Centralite Linda Kavich beat her North foe 6-4, 7-9, 6-4. Jane Adams was victorious over her Tech opponent 6-4, 6-4.

The Eagle doubles team of Carole Lind and Karen Skanning lost a very close match in 42 games, 5-7, 11-9, 6-4.

Jane and Linda were eliminated in singles semi-final play.

field event, tied for second in the high Others who placed in their events are freshman Roger Sayers, third in the 100 yard dash; Ken Russell, fourth in both the 220 and the 440 yard dash and Gene Owen, fifth in the 440.

An unusual event was re-enacted for the third time in a state championship track and field meet. Scottsbluff won the World-Herald plaque emblematic of superiority in all four classes, but they failed to win their class title. Beatrice repeated their last year's win in Class A.

Injuries Hamper

Hard luck and misfortune followed Coach Smagacz's tracksters home to the Intercity track chase held Monday, May 20, at Creighton Stadium.

The favored Centralites finished third, with 48½ points, one point behind second place North and seven points behind Creighton Prep.

Intercity Baseball Statistics

	G	AB	H	R	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Avg.
Kennedy	10	33	15	13	2	1	1	11	.454
Politi	7	12	5	3	0	0	0	2	.418
Newcomer	10	38	15	6	2	1	1	8	.395
Barth	10	38	14	9	5	1	0	8	.368
Salerno	10	37	11	9	5	0	0	6	.297
Evans	10	26	7	10	3	0	1	7	.269
Dilley	10	27	7	4	1	0	0	5	.259
Miloni	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	.167
McMahan	7	14	2	1	0	0	0	0	.143
Howard	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Svolopoulos	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000

	G	AB	H	R	RBI	Avg.	W	L
Olson	7	16	3	4	3	.188	4	2
Stolarsky	2	2	0	0	0	.000	0	1
Christensen	3	6	0	0	0	.000	1	0
Reynolds	3	4	0	0	0	.000	0	2
Dickerson	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0

Intercity Tennis Final Standings

	W	L
Creighton Prep	7	0
CENTRAL	5	2
North	5	2
Benson	4	3
Abe Lynx	4	3
Tee Jay	2	5
Tech	1	6
South	0	7

Kavich Elected By Cheerleaders

Linda Kavich was elected cheerleading captain by the squad May 16. Linda, a two year cheerleading veteran, will be responsible for scheduling practices and organizing the squad. She also will coordinate cheers with the progress of the games.

The squad is adopting its own regulations concerning absences and tardiness to practices and games.

Varsity yellbells for the 1957-58 school year were chosen in a final elimination held April 12. Seven juniors and one sophomore were selected by a committee composed of faculty members and students. The new squad is reduced in size from past years' 15-member groups.

Juniors Charon Allen, Barbara Brodkey, Sally Freeman, Pat Holmes, Linda Jelen, Linda Kavich and Nola Pearce will lead the cheers next year; Elaine Raskin is the lone sophomore on the squad.

Final tryouts for the sophomore yell squad for the coming year were completed April 22. Cheering for Central's reserve teams will be Julia Bural, Marsha Havlu, Suzy Irvine, Violadora Johnson, Thea Kayser, Jackie Nybbelin, Shelia Schuster, Loretta Shukis, Bonnie Skaleske, Janie Taras and Marilyn Weinberg.

Stickmen Finish In First Place Tie

Two victories and one defeat placed Central's golfers in a deadlock for first place in the Intercity league with Benson.

On Friday, May 17, Eagle stickmen defeated North, 360-380. Low man for Central was Bob Epstein with a 41.

Their only loss, at the hands of the Bunnies, occurred May 21. A fired-up Benson team placed all their men under 45, while the best Central could manage was a 41 by Epstein.

Central finished the season with an impressive win over South, May 22; Epstein again led the Eagles with a two over par 38.

Ahlstrand, Goddard, Hill and Julich followed with 41's, bringing home a team score of 341 as opposed to South's 386.

Central's golf team met defeat at the Happy Hollow club golf course, Friday, May 10.

The Eagle crew fired a respectable 257 but was not able to capture the title which was won by the sizzling golfers from Lincoln High school.

Bob Julich led the Central team with an 85 over the rain-soaked course. Bob Epstein, trying for his third state championship, and Larry Linn, a dependable linksman, followed with 86's.

The Hilltoppers wound up in seventh place, 15 strokes behind the out-state team.

The medal honors went to Lincoln's "Bud" Williamson who fired a one-under par 71.

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Intercity Golf Final Standings

	W	L
CENTRAL	6	1
Benson	6	1
North	5	2
Creighton Prep	4	3
Tech	3	4
Abe Lynx	2	5
South	1	6
Tee Jay	0	7

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Alumni News

Jim Child '56 has maintained a 3.55 out of a possible 4.00 grade average for the first semester at the University of Idaho. Jim has been "tapped" for Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman men's honorary fraternity.

Kay Talty '53 has been awarded a National Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate study. She is the first University of Omaha student to receive the fellowship, awarded to outstanding students interested in graduate preparation for college teaching. Kay plans to use the fellowship for graduate study at the University of Minnesota where she will work towards a masters degree in American studies, a combination of American literature and American history.

Inga Swensen '50, opened in "The First Gentleman," a Broadway play, on April 25, and has apparently embarked on a very successful acting career.

Reports from critics in and about New York claim that Inga is a talented young actress with remarkable talent and variety. Inga plays the part of Charlotte, the daughter of a prince regent, who is attempting to arrange a marriage for his daughter. But she has a strong mind and finally succeeds in marrying a prince of her own choosing.

Kay Jorgenson '54 has been named to Mortar Board, national senior women's honor society, at Grinnell college. Kay was one of six junior women chosen by the out-going members to carry on the Grinnell chapter next year. Selection for this honor is on the basis of scholastic standing, campus activities and leadership.

Mrs. Hazel Abel, '05, was selected as American Mother of 1957 from a group of 48 other state mothers.

Mrs. Abel, Nebraska's Mother of 1957, is the first Nebraska woman ever elected by popular vote to the United States Senate, and also the first Nebraskan to be American Mother of the Year.



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Guilty or Not Guilty Says Clarke's Court

Students in Wentworth Clarke's American government classes have learned court procedure first hand. Last week a mock trial was staged in each of his three classes.

One of the cases included Muriel Rosenblatt, Rod Reiff and Judy Church, all versus the state of Nebraska. Judges Pat Salerno, Jerry Volenec and "Hangin' Ed" Cowger made each of the defendants and witnesses swear to tell the truth "so help him MacGruder."

Attorneys for prosecution and defense for the three cases included Kendall Brink, Stuart Persell, Myron Papadakis, Bernard Bloom, Holmes Empson and Phil Barron.

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Don't Be a Squirt Wear a "Swirt"!

About this time of year every one's fancy turns lightly (??) to VACATIONS. The study halls are full of people poring wistfully over travel brochures. That is the reason this column will be devoted to a world tour via Brandeis.

No matter where you go, you must be dressed correctly. To those going by boat, we suggest Brandeis Junior Colony's "swirt." ("It's a sweater, it's a shirt, it's a swirt!"). By Thermo-Jac, the Swirt is of light-weight denim. If you don't have a boat, by all means don't let that stop you from buying a swirt. It is blue with white dinghy plans printed on it. Build your boat from the plans! The swirt has white cotton-knit collar and cuffs. It is only \$5.98.

Those who plan to travel by car will be out of it if they don't own a "Jag-Jac," also by Thermo-Jac. This jacket is white denim with Jaguars printed on it in tan, red and green. It has knit cuffs and waist-band. A black scarf comes with it to protect your coiffure. (No, I'm not getting high-brow. All people who drive Jaguars have coiffures instead of hair.) The Jag-Jac is \$7.98 at Brandeis Junior Colony.

Away We Go

We're off! First stop is Switzerland. There we see Steve Olson sitting in front of his chalet overlooking Lake Geneva singing mournfully, "I miss my Swiss, my Swiss miss misses me." No cause for alarm, Steve, here comes your Swiss miss now. Yes, it's Judy Hutton in her Serbin "Swissette." Knowing Switzerland could do no better, she bought it at Brandeis Junior Colony before she left the States. In tiny blue and white stripes, the Swissette features a full skirt and eyelid lace trim. Although it is sleeveless, a matching blue Orlon sweater makes it practical for chilly nights as well as warm days. The sweater is trimmed with the blue and white striped material and eyelet lace. The complete outfit (which also comes in pink) is \$19.95.

Down in Spain, we find that famous designer of junior clothes, Joan Miller, busy being inspired to put out a new line of dresses. One of them has a full skirt, a scoop neck and short, puffy sleeves. It is made of white polished cotton with a red and green floral print. The ruffled bodice was copied from the costume of the famed Spanish bull fighters. (All of you who sling the bull should have one.) The S.P.C.A. overruled the suggestion to throw in a bull free of charge, but the dress is \$14.95.

In Italy, we find the Pisa Belt company which has gone democratic and put out a new belt which features gold replicas of not only their own leaning tower, but also the Statue of Liberty and the Eiffel Tower. The genuine leather belt comes in white, brown and red. At Brandeis Junior Colony, it can be had for only \$5.98.

In France, the Fleurette company is busily making life-like yarn and wood models of the French national trademark—French poodles. About three inches high, the delightful toy comes in lavender, shrimp and yellow. At Brandeis Junior Colony, they sell for \$1.00. Cheap n'est-ce pas?

Day-01

On our side of the ocean, south of the border, the password is "Calypso!" Arlene (not Dergan, thank goodness) has designed a darling Calypso outfit for the girls. The sleeveless blouse is made of red handkerchief-printed cotton; the white knee-length pants have a matching red sash. The slacks are \$5.98 and the blouse is \$2.98.

Not to be outdone by Arlene (not Epstein, either), White Stag has come out with a Calypso outfit for BOYS. The outfit includes knee-length white pants, a gay shirt with a "Banana Boat" print, and a natural straw hat with a handkerchief band. The pants are \$5.98; the shirt, \$4.98, and the hat, \$1.49.

Our tour is about over, but before we go, I'd like to say that the Brandeis column will be back in the fall written by Sharon Maucher.

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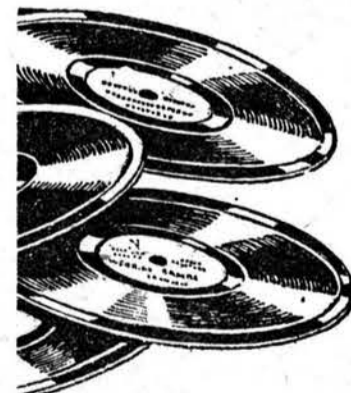
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