

# Central High Register

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TEN CENTS

## Kris Juffer Rides Nebraska Float In Presidential Inauguration Parade

A most happy and grateful Centralite just finished an unforgettable week in Washington, D.C. Kris Juffer, the CHS representative, went to Washington to ride on the Nebraska float in the January 20 presidential inauguration. Kris was among the 113-member delegation from Nebraska sent to Washington to participate in the inaugural parade.

Kris left Omaha January 18 by train; her trip to Washington was not uneventful. In Pennsylvania the baggage car caught fire, causing all the baggage to be delayed several hours. When the group arrived in the nation's capital city, they were greeted by Senators Hruska and Curtis and Congressman Cunningham at the depot. Kris and the other three girls who were to ride on the float all stayed together in an ultra-modern motel in Washington, D.C.

On Tuesday, January 19, the program for the day included a visit to Arlington Cemetery and the late President John F. Kennedy's grave. The group also saw the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the changing of the guard, and Mount Vernon.

On Wednesday, Inauguration Day, Kris went to the float at 12:30 p.m. The Nebraska float, which was the largest float in the parade, contained a stage coach, horses, buffalo, and Indians. The float symbolized "Nebraska—the crossroads of the nation: Pioneers in Progress." Kris spent approximately 90 minutes on the float in 38° weather, wearing a long, old-fashioned rose-colored dress and a black, feathered hat. Kris stood by the driver of the stagecoach, throwing kisses to the crowd, including to President Johnson. Mr. President responded by pointing at Kris, and waving and clapping.

A party was given for the Nebraska delegation Wednesday evening by Governor Morrison. Thursday and Friday were also allotted as sight-seeing days for Kris and the group. The bus tours included visits to the Smithsonian Institute, the FBI Building, the Washington, Jefferson, and Lincoln Memorials, the National Archives Building, the National Art Museum, and the Iwo Jima Memorial. An added highlight to the weeklong activities was meeting Miss America for 1964-65.

The work of Mr. Sam Thomas of Omaha should be mentioned, as he was responsible for the entire Nebraska delegation being able to go to the inaugural parade.

## Barnes Takes First

On Saturday, January 30, the Central debaters entered the Bellarmine Memorial Tournament, which was hosted by Marian High School. Central didn't compete for the sweepstakes; it entered only the debate and extemporaneous divisions.

In the Novice Division, Amy Brodkey and Sheldon Zwerling placed second in power match cross examination debate. After going through five rounds, the quarter-finals, and the semi-finals, they lost to a Marion team.

Alan Siporin placed second in the Boys Extemporaneous Speaking. Bruce Barnes won first place in Impromptu Speaking.

## JONES ACES TEST

Orville Jones, a senior at Central High School, received a perfect score on the Airman Qualifying Examination given on January 23, 1965.

The examination is an aptitude test that is offered on a voluntary basis to high school seniors through the nation.



Four award-winning seniors: Westinghouse scientist, Don Rogers (left); Elks Leaders, Max Richtman and Wally Taylor (center); and "Homemaker of Tomorrow," Sue Post.

# Barrage Of Honors Hits Seniors In National, State, Local Contests

Two Central High senior boys have been named winners in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Youth Leadership Contest for 1964-65. The winners, Max Richtman and Wally Taylor, dominated this local competition for leadership by obtaining first and second places respectively. The boys competed against other male applicants from all the schools of Omaha and the surrounding area.

Max, as first-place winner, is the recipient of a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and will compete in the statewide competition. The winner of the state contest will then enter the national contest in the spring. Wally receives a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond for being the second-place winner.

Wally and Max, along with the first-place girl winner, Leni Sykora, from Marian High School, and second-place winner Rene Steimle, from Beveridge High School, were judged according to their "leadership brochures," which they themselves prepared through a long period of careful planning and organization. The brochure, which could not exceed 20 ounces in weight, contained a statement of required facts, at least three letters of recommendation from responsible persons, a recent photograph of the applicant, and a letter of not over 300 words prepared by the applicant in his own handwriting, summarizing activities, accomplishments, and objectives in promoting the welfare of the youth of

the community. Also in the brochure was a letter of not over 200 words from a parent showing the applicant's family background, and newspaper clippings and other material showing evidence of the applicant's leadership. This contest was not a scholarship contest. Standards for judging were as follows:

- (1) Leadership .....40 points
- (2) Citizenship Appreciation.....20 points
- (3) Perseverance, Resourcefulness, and Sense of Honor.....20 points
- (4) Neatness and Arrangement .....10 points
- (5) Compliance with Instructions .....10 points

The "two leaders" both presently rank first in the senior class scholastically and were both Boys' State delegates in the summer of 1964. Should Max go as far as the national competition, he could win as much as \$1,200 in U.S. Savings Bonds.

## Rogers in Honors Group

"On Solutions of Equations and Integers"—a rather modest title for a selection in the Honors Group of the Westinghouse Science Talent Search Contest? Certainly, but only as a reflection of the scientific character necessary to produce a project worthy of national recognition.

Don Rogers, the Central High scientist who wrote the project, was one of two Nebraskans chosen for the Honors Group in the Science Talent Search (the top ten per cent). Besides writing the 1200 word report, Don

had to take the Science Aptitude Examination and supply a personal data blank, a school record, and recommendations. Six other Central High students were entered.

From the Honors Group forty students were awarded all-expense paid trips to the five-day Science Talent Institute in Washington, D.C. At the Institute the students have an opportunity to get acquainted with one another, exchange ideas and attend events planned especially for them. They learn about the most recent developments in science, visit places of scientific interest, talk with prominent scientists, and are introduced to possibilities for their future in scientific research.

During the Institute a board of judges decides on the scholarship winners. The scholarships and awards amount to \$34,000 divided among the forty people.

The top five students chosen from the forty trip winners receive Westinghouse Science scholarships amounting to \$25,000. Awards of \$250 each are given to the other thirty-five students.

The purpose of Westinghouse Science Talent Search is to attempt to eliminate the critical shortage of scientists which exists in America today. This attempt is sponsored jointly by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation and Science Service, a non-profit institution for the popularization of science.

Although Don was not chosen for the visit to Washington, he certainly merits the title of a promising young scientist. His "Profile," as an outstanding senior, is on page two.

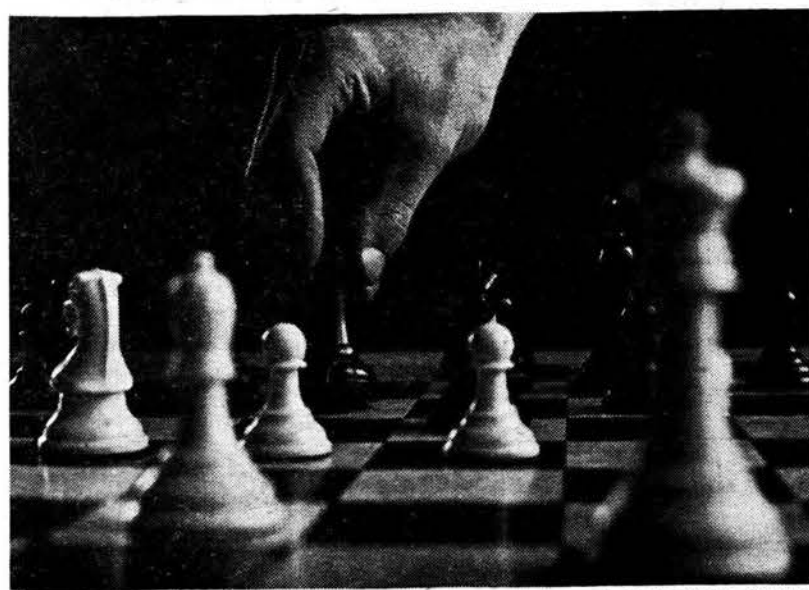
## Post Named Betty Crocker Homemaker

Susan Post has been named Central's 1965 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. She scored highest in a written homemaking examination taken by senior girls December 1, and is now eligible for state and national honors.

Test papers of all school Homemakers of Tomorrow in the state are currently being judged. The state's highest-ranking girl will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from General Mills, Inc., sponsor of the annual Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow, with the state runner-up to be awarded a \$500 educational grant. In addition, the school of the State Homemaker of Tomorrow will receive a complete set of the Encyclopedia Britannica from Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc.

Later this spring, the State Homemaker of Tomorrow, together with a school advisor, will join first-place winners and advisors from each of the fifty other states and the District of Columbia in a tour of Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, Washington, D.C., and New York City. Climax of the week-long tour will be the naming of the Betty Crocker All-American

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"The Battlefield"

photo by Dave McQuinn

## Chess Team Nabs State Championship As Central Keeps Competition In Check

Central's winningest team, the chess wizards, have, in the past few weeks, added two games to their nine-game winning streak and captured the State Chess Championship.

Two four-man teams spent Saturday, January 16, in deep concentration as they checkmated opponents for first and third places at the State Tournament held in Lincoln. Don Rogers, Steve Erickson, John Kula and Don Gibson formed the winning combination. Between them, eighteen games were won, one game lost, and two games drawn. Don (Rogers), Steve, and Don (Gibson) won first, second, and third places respectively as individuals.

The second team, made up of John McKean, Bill Brunell, Jim Fuxa, and John Wilson, sweated out twelve hours of mentally tiring chess to capture third place.

Seventy-two entrants from all over the state were on hand. This was the first such tournament, but plans call for the continuation of it as an annual tournament. It was conducted under the auspices of the University of Nebraska.

Meanwhile, the chess team did not remain idle in city competition. Both Benson and Bishop Ryan were the locations for more lopsided victories. Scoring 1 point for a win, ½ point for a tie, and 0 points for a loss, Central beat Benson, 5-0, and Bishop Ryan, 5½-½.

The victors at Benson, on Friday, January 8, were Don Rogers, Steve Erickson, John Kula, Don Gibson, and John McKean. Don Gibson, Steve Siporin, Steve Erickson, John McKean, and Don Rogers forced checkmates at Bishop Ryan while John Kula played to a tie.

## Essayists Triumph

Patti Pease, a senior, has recently won second place in a Voice of Democracy contest.

The contest, sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was open to all students in Omaha public and parochial high schools.

The theme for Patti's essay was, "The Challenge of Citizenship." After Patti had written her essay, she entered it as original oratory in the Kearney State Invitational Debate Tournament.

Another senior, Candy Rasmussen has been announced as a winner of the Good Citizens Essay Contest sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

A senior girl from each public high school in the state was asked to write an essay on patriotism. Candy chose to write on the subject of how religion should affect our patriotism.

DAR members judged the essays. Three final winners were picked from all the entries. Candy claimed one of these positions. The final winner will receive \$100.

## Cold Weather Fails To Chill Outdoorsmen's Enthusiasm

The sub-zero temperatures in the Omaha area recently were not enough to stop the Central High Outdoorsmen. On Saturday, January 31, the club held their annual winter hike in Fontenelle Forest from 9:30 A.M. to 2:40 P.M.

The hikers included eight members and two sponsors, Mr. Edward Clark and Mr. Samuel McMillan. It was Mr. McMillan's first winter hike with the club. The Outdoorsmen met at Central High School and travelled the 9½ mile distance to Fontenelle Forest by car. From the entrance of the forest, the club began their hike in -13° weather. The blood-chilling winds blowing off the river made it seem even colder than it actually was.

The group followed the railroad tracks to a large waterpipe and then hiked along several old Mormon trails. They returned to the waterpipe at 1:30 P.M. to eat lunch, consisting of chili and apples furnished by the club. The chili was almost impossible to cook as it almost froze in the cooking process.



photo by Ed Clark

The hikers kept warm by wearing heavy boots, insulated socks, heavy jackets, and plenty of warm underwear.



## Statesman Mourned

As the veil of death closed around the great and valiant man lying desperately ill in his home at 28 Hyde Park Gate, London, a curtain of grief descended upon all the free nations of the world. For in Winston Spencer Churchill the cause of democracy and freedom had a champion without equal, and his palling was felt everywhere, by everyone, deeply.

"I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears, and sweat," he once told his countrymen, and his life was one of unselfish, dedicated service to his country and to freedom's cause.

To the millions of people caught up in the horrors of World War, he was a symbol of guidance; to his countrymen he was a bulwark of leadership and responsibility; to statesmen and peacemakers everywhere, he was the supreme manifestation of diplomacy and international understanding. In all these capacities he served well.

Indeed, the essence of this society, this age was captured in the life of Winston Churchill, while, at the same time, he was one of its greatest contributors—he helped form it and give it meaning.

The world mourns not only the passing of a great man, but also the passing of an era. The grief goes deep, and the pain will be a long time easing. But perhaps our greatest solace can be drawn from the words of Churchill himself, who said:

"The world does not end with the death of any man."



Churchill displays famous V for Victory sign.

## Concert Under Way

"A light, balanced program of listening pleasure, designed for relaxation, as well as being informative." This is the way an ideal concert for young adults has been described. Everyone has his own tastes and viewpoints on the idea of "good music opposed to bad music," but Joseph Levine, Omaha Symphony Conductor, and a group of representative students from the Omaha-Council Bluffs high schools are blue-printing a concert for the spring, designed to appeal to every teenager in the area.

Many students have not yet been to a concert. Such a program would introduce the wonderful world of music to these students. At the concert, people will hear a balanced selection of musical comedy, popular music, and classical music. This light concert would be followed by a pop concert dance, where everyone attending the concert would also be admitted to the dance. With such an arrangement, young adults become exposed to more than one kind of music, can improve their minds, and have a very enjoyable evening of entertainment.

This concert, although only in the planning stages, is almost sure to become a reality. One can't develop a better appreciation of the art merely by reading a book about it. Start thinking in terms of a light, entertaining concert for young adults. Would you be interested in such a concert? Opinions on this subject may be submitted to Room 317. More information on the concert will be forthcoming in future Registers.

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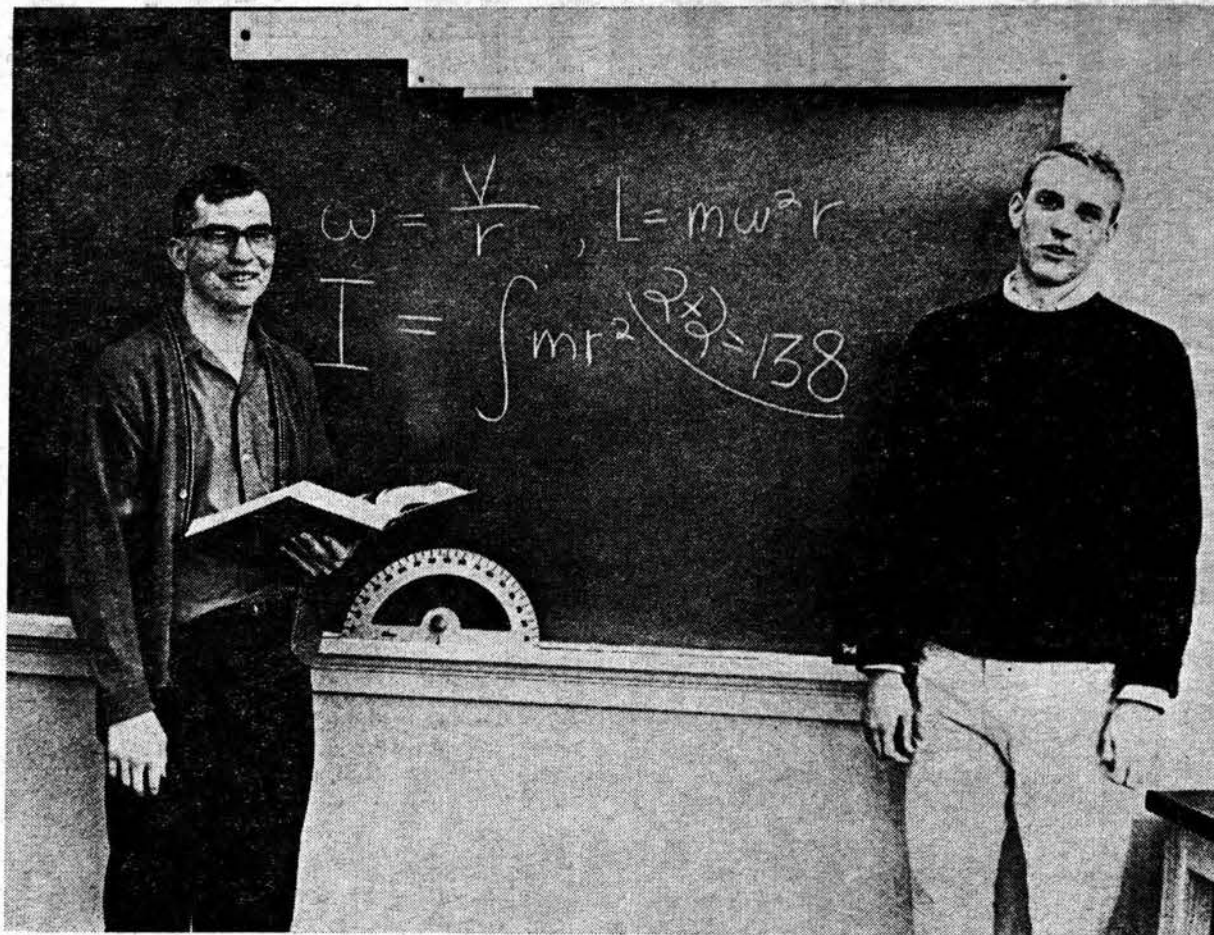
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Don and Steve attempt to mathematically prove that 2+2 = 138. photo by Chuck Kurtzman

## CHS Profile

### Math Masters: Don Rogers, Steve Taff

by John Kuhns

Steve Taff has participated in a wide variety of extracurricular activities, both scholastic and athletic in nature. He has been a member of O-Club for two years and has been on the swim team since his sophomore year. The field of mathematics is of great interest to Steve, and he has participated on the math team as a sophomore, junior, and senior.

Music is another field of interest among the variety of Steve's activities. Presently he is vice-president of A Cappella Choir. For several years he has participated in the musicals, Road Show, and All City Music Clinic.

Last spring Steve was selected as a Boys' State representative. In the summer he attended the convention in Lincoln as a representative of Central. There he was elected to the Senate.

High test scores are another accomplishment for Steve. He is a National Merit semi-finalist and a Nebraska Regents finalist. He received the highest score from Central on the Nebraska Regents examination and is a member of the All State Scholastic Team.

Sports and reading are two of Steve's favorite hobbies. He is also a member of Explorer Scouts and president of his church youth group.

### City Hosts Leader

A press conference was held Sunday afternoon, January 31, at 4:00 on the second level of the Eppley Air Field Terminal Building, following the arrival of Robert B. McCreech, president of the Association of Volunteer Bureaus of America.

Among his many duties, Mr. McCreech is recognized as an authority on youth leadership programs. His leadership of youth in the community service program "Operation Kindness" has been featured in Time and Reader's Digest and described over the radio and television.

A graduate of Fordham and Harvard Universities, Mr. McCreech has served as both teacher and principal in the Boston and Springfield public school systems. Since joining United Community Services in 1956, he has become identified with the Red Feather volunteer services of some 20,000 Greater Bostonians who weekly serve 300 public and private health, social welfare and youth agencies.

In May of 1963, he was elected President of the Association of Volunteer Bureaus of America and in this post provides the inspiration for 17 million citizens who serve the cause of United Community Funds and Councils.

His talents as a keynote speaker bring him to conference all the way from New York to Hawaii. His leadership of youth is recognized by membership on several national boards and committees, including the Committee on Youth Service of the National Social Welfare Assembly. He is also a consultant to the American Hospital Association on Volunteer Programs.

Courses in advanced placement American history, accelerated experimental English, Latin VIII, math analysis, and experimental mathematics occupy much of Steve's time. A two-year Junior Honor Society member, Steve currently ranks eighteenth in the senior class with a 3.84 grade point average. He hopes to attend either Macalester or Carleton College next year and eventually become a mathematics professor.

Rogers Honored by Westinghouse  
Don Rogers was recently notified that he was chosen as a member of the honors group in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. His project was on solutions of equations and integers. This is an outstanding achievement, but it is only one of numerous distinctions awarded to Don.

Last summer was an extremely active one for Don. He was a Boys' State representative at the convention in Lincoln. There he served in the capacity of Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court. He also attended a

summer institute in mathematics at the University of California in Los Angeles. There he completed a project on vector spaces.

Don has done exceptionally well on state and national tests given during his high school career. He is a National Merit semi-finalist and a Nebraska Regents alternate. Last year he ranked fourth in Nebraska in the state mathematics contest.

Don has been a member of Latin Club, Math Club, and math team for three years. Currently he is vice-president of Math Club. As a junior and as a senior he has been a member of Chess Club and the chess team. He recently took first place in the state chess tournament.

Don's schedule is filled with advanced placement courses in English, mathematics, and physics. He is also taking fourth year Latin and American history. Don ranks seventh in the senior class with a 3.98 grade point average.

Don has applied to M.I.T. and hopes to become a math professor.

## Music Department Gives Show; Magic, Music Entertain Students

On January 28, the Central Music Department presented a variety of entertainment to students who wished to go to the auditorium during study hall. The entertainment was presented continuously from first hour through fifth hour and then again seventh hour.

The Central Band presented a program first hour featuring a Dixieland number, two marches, "The Poet and the Peasant" overture, and selections from "How the West Was Won."

Second and third hours Mr. Williams, speech instructor at Central, presented a magic show. He was aided by his wife who appeared miraculously from a magic Arabian tent. Mr. Williams was also featured fourth hour and was accompanied by Don Schmidt on the mirimba.

The Central Orchestra under the direction of Mr. Harrison, the instrumental music instructor, provided entertainment for fifth hour students. The Orchestra played a standard symphonic concert including selections

from Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet," Wagner's "Prelude to Act III of Lohengrin," and music from the musical show "No Strings."

The final entertainment was presented by the Dance Band featuring Don Schmidt on the mirimba and Donna Hansen in a dancing number. The Dance Band overcame the lighting difficulties resulting from the power failure by playing extensively from memory.

## Council Capsules

January 26, Dr. Paul Miller, Omaha Superintendent of Schools, served as host to a group of students representing the Omaha Intra-City Student Council. Attending this meeting from Central were Judy Nogg and Ken Hoberman. Items of the agenda included informal introductions, serious discussion about the problems of Intra-City Student Council, and the future goals of this organization.

February 1 saw the initiation of Central High's new Student Council members, Susie Baird, Amy Brodkey, Debbie Clark, Lee Dinsmore, Barb Grell, and Maynard Belzer. All survived the initiation and are ready to begin work with the council.

The Student Council is looking forward to a busy second semester. Members are all engaged in revising an outdated school handbook; and, when not revising, they are busy tossing about the idea for a senior prom dance. If you have any ideas, comments or complaints, please feel free to consult the council. Everyone remember; SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL —BUY VICTORY RIBBONS BEFORE EACH GAME!

## Creative Writing

With his head always in one position as if he were in deep thought, a short, almost thin man walked very slowly along the sidewalk near the wall of a tall brick building. He stopped suddenly and lit the cigarette already in his mouth with the lighter he was carrying. The burst of light from the flame broke through the darkness and illuminated his face until the flame was extinguished and a sharp click broke the death-like silence. Still with the same slow movements, he placed the lighter into his pocket and assumed a slightly inclined position with his back pressed firmly against the wall.

He could feel a warm breeze blow gently across his face. His mind began to wander. He gazed about him as if he were seeing the world for the first time—and as if he were seeing exactly what he had expected. He stared at the office building two blocks away to his right. It was sprinkled with a random pattern of lights from the few offices still in use. The man looked at the lighted windows and stared at each separately. The light from each window was broken into a different pattern by the now bare branches of the trees that were closer to him. He thought about simple things as he looked at the windows: what he now saw was that which was always taken for granted. "It's too bad," he said to himself, "that the beauty of the intricate patterns of light and darkness coming from that building is being utterly wasted; it cannot be enjoyed because there is no time. People must sleep now so that tomorrow they can return to their world of hurry and cares."

He turned his head slightly and fixed his eyes upon the nearly full moon. It appeared to be a large, yellow disk entangled in the branches of a tree. But when the branches rustled gently in the wind while the moon stayed fixed, his belief that the moon was really in the sky was confirmed.

His eyes moved slightly to the left but were partially blinded by the street light which illuminated the street corner about five feet from him. Quickly he moved further to the left and stared at the park across the street. Only the two park benches nearest him were visible, and the trees receding from him became less and less discernible fading into the blackness of the night. The thought of the habitual tramps who sit all day on the benches came to his mind. "Those people without jobs, those who don't have all the cares and worries that we do. They can really enjoy nature. The others take it all for granted."

Again he turned toward the left. This time he moved his whole body and leaned against the trash can which formed a corner with the wall. He gazed down the narrow street which became darker as it receded except for an occasional bright spot due to a dim street light. Here and there he could see a parked car along the sides of the street. "Not even a moving car or dog," he thought. "Am I the only one who can enjoy such a sight as this? I suppose, of course, it wouldn't be as enjoyable if everybody was out here enjoying it." The thought seemed to lead in a ridiculous circle so he gave it up.

He listened intently for any sound. He heard only the steady chirp of a few crickets which up to this time he had not noticed—sound being all but inaudible to the accustomed hearer. He listened until the sound became monotonous and then moved his eyes farther to the left, but his vision was abruptly cut off by the wall jutting into the sidewalk and making a corner. Because there was nothing more to see in this direction, he glanced up at the sky overhead. It was perfectly clear except for one small cloud which covered all the stars within its circumference.

Out of the silence the sound of church bells, muffled by the distance, were barely audible. The three soft gongs snapped him out of his dreams. He moved away from the wall, and the thought of his home enveloped him. He crushed the cigarette which he had not smoked and started back in the direction from where he had come. The artist vanished into the darkness.

## CHS Choristers

### Wear New Outfits

A Cappella choir has a new style and new look for 1965. This new look is the outfits which members voted for and ordered last fall. Mr. Rod Walker, director, introduced the idea of wearing uniform blazers, skirts for the girls, and slacks for the men. He felt that the blazers would add to the appearance of the choir and give it the polished and professional look of a well groomed choral group.

The girls look sharp and high-styled in their box pleated, oxford grey skirts, light blue ivy blouses, and midnight navy, plain tailored blazers. The men match the ladies' appearance in every way. The dress slacks are made out of oxford grey wool, which are worn with light blue shirts by Manhattan, and navy blazers. Mr. Walker also purchased an outfit for himself.

The members wore their outfits as a group for the first time at All City Music Festival rehearsal on January 17. They will wear them for Road Show and also for their spring concert on May 23.

Mr. Walker commented that the outfits are very practical as seniors can take them to college or sell them to incoming choir members. He hopes that the blazers will become a long-time tradition for the top choir for many years to come.

## O-Club Is Booster For School Spirit

Upon sponsoring the pep rally Friday, January 22, the O-Club realizes and appreciates the time and hard work of the Pep Club and cheerleaders in previous rallies. At the basketball games the lettermen sit in a block formation holding printed signs to boost spirit. They would like to have the pep band play at Central games as the other schools have. It is felt that the accompaniment of the band will develop more school spirit throughout the games.

The O-Club vs. faculty basketball game is in the process of being approved. It is planned for Tuesday, February 23.



## Harley's Headliners

by Harley Schrager

Now that the aftermath of what appeared to be a great injustice to Central's fine basketball team has subsided, Eagle fans can look forward to perhaps the season's most crucial encounter next week against Prep.

The Bluejays pose an ominous threat to any optimistic views of Central's supremacy in state high school basketball circles. The last time Central squared off against Prep, it resulted in utter disaster for Eagle hoop fortunes. Entirely outplayed throughout the game, Central went down to a 78-67 defeat. The last glimmer of hope that Central will at last be accorded the recognition it deserves as the best team in the state rests on the outcome of this upcoming contest.

Two Prep starters that Central will have to contain in order to be victorious obviously are guard John Padden and center Sam Buda. The only time this season that these two teams met, Padden and Buda both played key roles in the Prep triumph. Buda led Prep scoring with fifteen points, while Padden directed the Bluejay attack with his fine passing and all-around team leadership. Padden's ability as one of the area's finest hoopsters is exemplified in the fact that he was chosen as a member of the All Tourney team during the recent Holiday Tournament.

Buda, 6'5" tall and an All State football player, is Prep's mainstay on the backboards. He teams with Mike Tomcykowski as Prep's most able rebounders. Tomcykowski and guard John Olson also contributed greatly to Prep's previous victory over Central as they scored 16 and 19 points respectively.

Although Prep proved itself the superior team on December 18, it should be noted by all that Central is not the same team that was beaten by eleven points. Ten games have been played since the Central vs. Prep game, and the Eagles have gained invaluable knowledge of each other, as well as of their opponents. This factor, added to the element of desire, should make the Eagles a much improved quintet.

The mere fact that Prep bowed to Westside on January 22 as compared to Central's victory over the same Warriors on January 8 should be proof enough of the Eagles' vast improvement.

Prep's obvious height advantage will deal the Eagles fits; however, Central has been plagued by just such a problem in almost every game this year. Arthur Allen and Jim Hunter must respond to the challenge of rebounding against players three and four inches taller than they are if Central is to capture the victory it has long deserved and needed.

Not only will the Prep encounter have a great effect on the state ratings, but it may also forecast the outcome of the district play-offs for state tournament berths. Prep is the only threat to Eagle ambitions of getting into the season capper, as the Bluejays are the only team of any recognized ability in the Central bracket.

Thus, the stage is set for a thrilling contest on February 12 at Norris. My personal observation is that the Eagles will once again play the role of giant killer and finally be acclaimed as the finest quintet in Nebraska.



Taff takes a breather after winning Metro breast stroke in 1:09.5  
photo by Dave McQuin

## Mermen Defeat Benson, Place Second In Metro

Central's tankers closed out a rather disappointing two weeks of swimming competition by placing second at the Metropolitan Swimming Conference Championships. The Eagles were second to the Warriors of Westside who one week earlier had disposed of Central in a dual meet at Westside's pool.

Westside finished with 281 total points compared to Central's runner-up total of 193. Central placed second despite the fact that Prep had qualified 6 more swimmers than the Eagles in the preliminaries on Friday, January 29.

Central's old dependables, Steve Taff and Dennis Tibbetts, won the breast stroke and butterfly handily. Tibbetts was timed in :56.7 and Taff in a disappointing 1:09.5. Other Central standouts were Tom Ames who barely was beaten by Kim Erickson in the 50 free and Tom Cook who placed second in the 200 yard free.

Westside simply had too much overall power for the Eagles. However, Central displayed its power in the relays by capturing both the medley and free style relays easily. In the medley it was Larry Charles, Steve Taff, and Dennis Tibbetts, and Dick Boyer, Kent Jantz, and Tom Cook paced the Eagles in the free relay.

Jeff Knoll, although he didn't make the finals, placed higher than any Eagle diver has finished in seven years. Knoll ended up seventh and just missed the finals by .25 of a point.

### Eagles Down Bunnies

Highly favored Benson was dealt a stiff setback by underdog Central in a swim meet held Friday, January 22. The Eagles, supposedly the weaker of the two teams, completely humiliated Benson by a score of 62-33. Benson managed victories in only

three events while bowing to an obviously superior tank team.

Standouts Steve Taff and Dennis Tibbetts turned in their almost mechanical winning performances as they were clocked in times of 1:07.5 and :56.9 in the breast stroke and butterfly respectively.

Sophomore Bob Elsasser captured first in the backstroke in a time of 1:03.5, while teammate Tom Cook broke the school record in the 200 yard free style with a time of 1:57.8.

Central's fine medley and free style relay teams also were victorious against an overrated Benson team.

Dick Boyer was another Central swimmer who brought home the bacon by winning the 200 yard individual medley.

### Westside Triumphs

The Eagle victory over Benson the day before may have proved costly as the Eagles were soundly defeated on Saturday, January 23, by Westside High, 64-31. Central times against the Warriors were poor for the most part, and an all-out effort against Benson might have been the cause.

Taff in the breast stroke, Tibbetts in the butterfly, Ames in the 50 yard free and the free style relay were Central's only winners.

Central apparently was "psyched" out of a possible victory when they were disqualified in the all-important first event of the meet, the medley relay. The Eagles had scored a victory by a wide margin in this event, and consequently all hope for an upset went down the drain with that disqualification.

Credit is due, however, to a fine Warrior squad which proved itself superior, at least on this particular afternoon.

## Baby Eagles Top Viking Reserves

The Reserve basketball team came out fighting mad against North after dropping a disputed game to A.L. On Friday, January 22, the "baby Eagles" were beaten by three points at the A.L. gym in a very close and disappointing contest. However, the Eagles redeemed themselves the next night against North as they drubbed the Vikings 55-42.

Central built a fourteen point half-time lead which it never relinquished. The Eagles went on to a twenty-one point lead at one time, however; Mr. Charles then began using his second and third strings.

For the first time this season everyone on the Reserve squad got to play. The Reserve record now stands at 2-7.

Ben Brown was leading Eagle scorer as he amassed twenty points. Brown received offensive aid from Dana Jackson who pumped in thirteen.

## Freshmen Defeat Marrs; Maintain Perfect Record

Central's freshmen basketball team preserved its perfect record by defeating Marrs Junior High 54 to 47 on Friday, January 22. The Eagle victory pushed the frosh season mark to 4-0.

Four Central starters scored in double figures as the freshmen put together their first balanced offensive attack. Robert Hunter once again led the scoring parade as he tossed in 15 points. John Biddle, Jerry Fischer, and Victor Lewis each reached the double figure mark with eleven points apiece.

For the first time this season the freshmen Eagles faced a zone press; however, they handled the situation adequately, as is proved by the final score. A big lead was quickly diminished when Mr. Andrews attempted to give some experience to some of his second line players.

## Pep Personalities

Pep Club and G.A.A., which are probably the two largest organizations in the school, are headed by Jody Wilson and Sherry Anderson respectively. These two girls put in a great deal of time, patience, and energy to keep their club's standards ranking high.

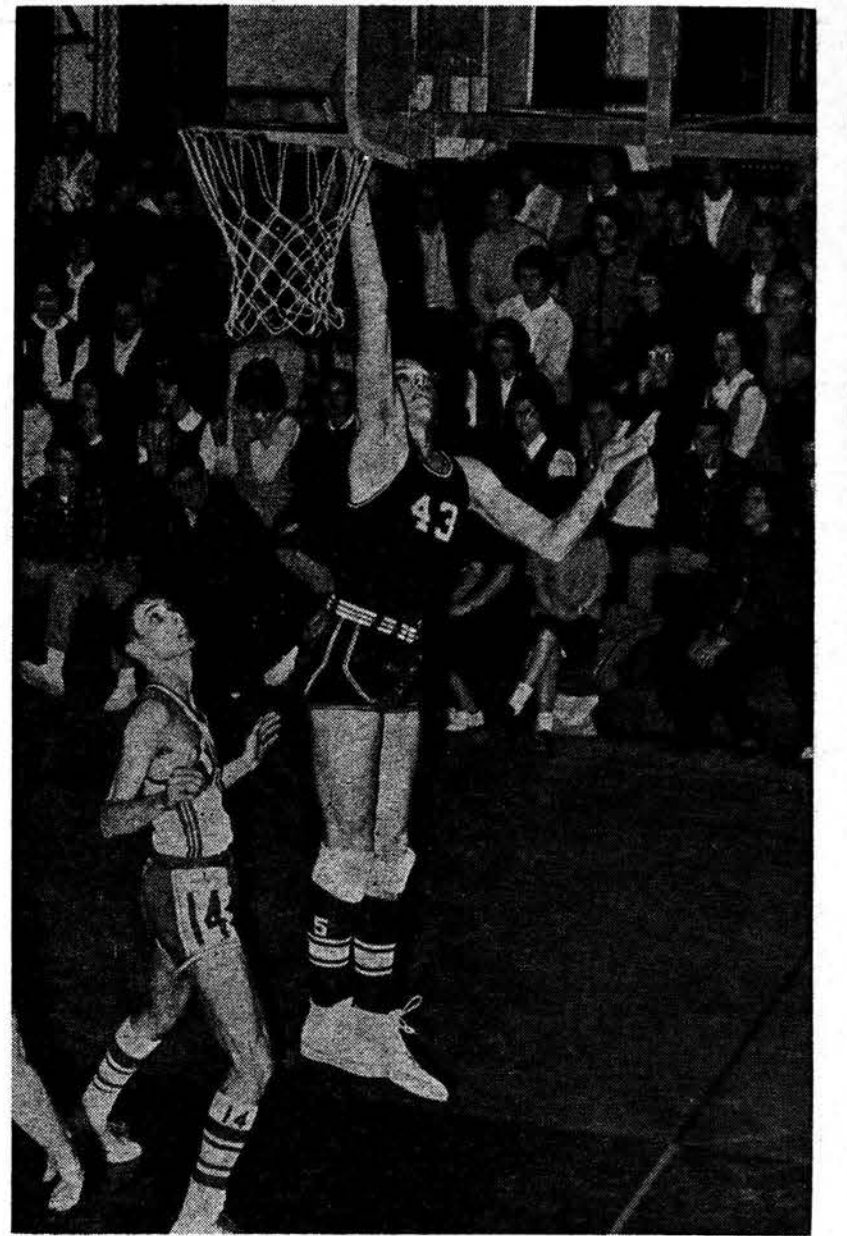
Jody Wilson, who presides as president of Pep Club, is also active in many other clubs at Central. She is a member of Safe-Teens, G.A.A., French Club, Inter-American Club, and she is on the Girls' Tennis Team. Out of school, Jody is a member of the Young Republicans.

Jan Knudson, vice-president of Pep Club, is serving as Road Show Manager for the 1965 production. Jan is a member of G.A.A. and Safe-Teens, and she plays in both the band and the orchestra.

Sherry Anderson is now serving as president of G.A.A. and also Douco, her Junior Achievement Company. Sherry's other activities at Central include Red Cross, Math Club, and Latin Club.

Margaret Grummert, a senior at Central this year, holds the office of vice-president of G.A.A. She also belongs to German Club, Safe-Teens, Pep Club, International Relations Club, and she is a teacher's helper.

# Benson High Snaps Eagle Victory String



Dillman scores an easy two against A.L.  
photo by Dave McQuin

Coach Marquiss' hoopsters captured victories over A.L. and North while bowing to a strong Benson team during the last two weeks of Metro competition. A close decision over A.L. hurt the Eagles in the state ratings; however, Central bounced back the following night against North and whipped the Vikings by 30 points. The Benson game was an entirely different story as the Eagles were outclassed by 12 points.

### Bunnies Save McBride

Eagle fans came to the Benson vs. Central game last week full of vigor; however, the Bunnies soon brought Central down to earth. Central's newly acquired Pep Club hung Gregg McBride in effigy, but Benson's fine play made the Eagles eat their words. The final score of Benson 84, Central 72 was indicative of the type of game the Eagles played.

Benson jumped out to an 8 point lead in the first quarter, and they were never again headed. Although Central cut the lead to 3 at halftime, Benson soon gained full control of the contest.

A 33 point fourth quarter completely put the game out of the reach of the Eagles. Ron Johnette and Gene Pace led the Bunnies with 19 and 23 points respectively. For Central the offensive leaders were reliable Arthur Allen with 25 and Neal Borchman with 14.

Jim Hunter also played a fine all-around game for the Eagles; however, Jim was in foul trouble most of the game which proved costly to Central.

Central almost kept pace in the final stanza as the Eagles clicked for 29 points, however the game was already decided. Central's chance to move up the ladder in the state ratings went down the drain with the Benson game. Throughout the season Benson has been the team which Central has had its most difficulty in beating.

### Central Buries North

A narrow escape at A.L. the previous night was all the incentive Central needed in dealing North a 78 to 49 beating. The Eagles started the assault on the Vikings in the first quarter as they raced to a 23-10 advantage.

The game turned into a rout when the Eagles held North to four points in the entire third quarter. This fine

defensive play enabled Central to hold a 50-29 lead as the last stanza of play began.

Highly regarded guard Al Jones found the going slightly rougher against the Eagles. Jones managed to score 15 points; however, most of his points came when Central's second string was in the game.

Central's showing against North pushed the Eagle League record to 6-1 and moved Central into a tie for second place with Prep.

Arthur Allen led all scorers with 25 points, while Borchman canned 16.

### Eagles Stave Off A.L.

Abraham Lincoln High School of Council Bluffs worked a fast break to perfection in throwing one of the biggest scares of the season into Central's Eagles on Friday, January 22. Central did, however, salvage a 67-64 victory over the lowly Lynx, and thereby improved the Eagles' Metro League record to a stout 5-1.

The Lynx played as they never have before, going to the locker room at halftime with a three point margin of 37-34, despite the fact that Central held a two point lead at the conclusion of the first quarter of play.

A.L. used only five men throughout the game although they played a constant fast-breaking brand of ball.

Although the Eagles trailed frequently, it was evident to all present that Central was in command, and there was no doubt as to what the outcome of this hotly contested game would be.

Neal Borchman hit scoring stride against the Lynx as he contributed 19 points to the Eagle cause. Borchman's offensive display included a basket and two free throws during the vital last minute Central surge. Three other Eagles scored in double figures, with Art Allen hitting for 17, Greg Butler for 13, and Jim Hunter for 15.

Central's inability to score a decisive victory over the weak Bluffs team may be attributed to the fact that A.L. was unusually keyed up for this contest. The announcement that the A.L. coach was quitting his position at the end of the season, added to the challenge of knocking off the second ranked team in the state, provided the Lynx with great incentive. However, Central's superiority was ever present.

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Central boasts last year's State Homemaker of Tomorrow, Gerry Schneiderwind.



photo by Dave McQuinn  
Bitzes puts forth "Coconut Theory" of man's evolution.

## History Important To Bitzes' Success

You're sure to get quite an education when you've got Mr. John G. Bitzes as your history teacher. Mr. Bitzes has been teaching at Central for four years. Previous to that, he taught in Crescent, Iowa.

Mr. Bitzes attended Hastings College and was graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Nebraska. Last August, he received his Master of Arts Degree in history from the University of Omaha.

Before becoming a teacher, Mr. Bitzes worked as a registrar at the University of Omaha. It was here that he began to develop an interest in teaching. It soon became apparent that he would follow this profession. History was his primary interest—and he testifies to the fact that he really enjoys history. "In history lies the understanding of humanity. It is in the history of the past and present that there lies the secret to man's future," he said.

Perhaps it was through his avid enthusiasm of history that Mr. Bitzes formulated The Coconut Theory of Evolution. According to his hypothesis, which is based on tolerance and understanding, man evolved from a coconut. The details are involved, and though he has yet to prove his concept, he enlightens his students with the basis for his contention.

This year Mr. Bitzes teaches three American history classes and two advanced placement American history classes. He finds his work challenging and interesting, and he hopes that his students find their work as such, also.

Besides his teaching duties, Mr. Bitzes is sponsor of the Chess Club and coaches the Chess Team which won the Nebraska State Chess Tournament this year.

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## Junior Classical League Presents Movie To Foster 1965 Convention

The Junior Classical League, in place of their regular January meeting, presented a full length movie in the Central auditorium. The movie, "Barabbas," was a deeply moving story of a villain who was pardoned and given freedom while Christ was crucified in his place.

The funds that were obtained from the movie will be used by the Latin Club (Junior Classical League) to send members to the National Convention in August. The convention takes place in California and includes approximately 120,000 students from the nation who participate in the Junior Classical League, a national organization.

Last year four students from Central were sent to the convention: Carol Grissom, Rick Kuethe, Ann Musselman, and Tom Novotny. Two years ago Rick Kuethe took second place in the nation in the Latin vocabulary contest. The activities at the convention include work in various interest groups ranging from archaeology to journalism to music.

The Latin Club has already begun committee meetings in preparation for the traditional Latin Banquet which is given in the spring. The dates for Latin Week for this year are April 19, through April 23, and the banquet will be held on April 22.

## French Club To Promote Election; Mardi Gras, Contests Scheduled

The French club is planning an election of second semester officers in April. The club has been organized into two opposing political parties, the "Pamplemousse" and the "Concombres." Beginning with a party caucus to nominate candidates, campaigning will follow leading up to the primary elections, more campaigning and finally, the general election. Offices held in the French club are given French titles such as Premier (president), prefect (vice president),

chairman of economic council (treasurer), minister (secretary), subprefects (sergeants-at-arms), and parliamentarian. The standing committee heads arrangements and publicity.

This is the first year that the French club has ever ordered pins. The club is also working on obtaining a French movie spoken in French dialogue.

The New Friend Garden Orphanage in Korea sent the French club Christmas cards made by the children. The club hopes to be able to contribute to the orphanage, but it will have to be approved by the state department.

A contest among "Roquefort" members will be held. Contestants will be judged on their maps, stories, and essays according to depth, clarity, and possibly oral presentation in some cases. Monetary awards will be given.

A Mardi Gras is being planned in May, complete with combo and costumes. The club also hopes to put on a French toast breakfast before school soon for all Central students. A new constitution was revised this year and it is hoped that it will be approved at the next monthly meeting.

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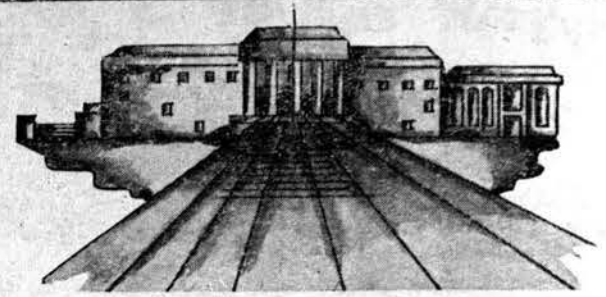
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## She Walked the Halls of Central . . .

by Steve Siporin

Would you like to attend tuna tournaments in Nova Scotia, go on bear hunting expeditions, and spear fishing voyages, or perhaps travel to England, France, Scotland, the Caribbean, and Peru? If you would, then the story of Mrs. Joyce Ballantyne Brand, a graduate of the Central High Class of 1935, should be an interesting story for you.

Mrs. Brand is actually not a great hunter; she is one of the leading commercial artists in the country. Her particular talents lie in sports illustrations, and so she has travelled to many odd places in order to paint exciting sports illustrations. She has been employed by Sports Afield, a sports magazine, for the last twenty years.

Her work seems to take her to places where many women would be, to say the least, uncomfortable and out-of-place. However, it does not bother her—"After twenty years experience I've disciplined myself to work under any conditions cheerfully."

Mrs. Brand's discipline began at Central High under her art instructor, Miss Angood. Mrs. Brand gives a great deal of credit to the now-retired Miss Angood for her early training. She went on from Central to the University of Nebraska and then to the American Academy of Art in Chicago. After her training she embarked upon a professional career, but the going was rough—"I struggled for six years in Chicago doing anything that would produce some cash."

Her situation has changed now. Mrs. Brand is a recognized leader in the field of commercial art. She lives in Bronxville, a suburb of New York City. Her neighbors and close friends include Jonathan Winters and Durwood Kirby.

Her position has not lessened her work, however—"Competition from ambitious twenty year olds—who have lots to say—keeps one from becoming complacent."

### Taylor Leads Liturgy

Wally Taylor, a top student at Central, went a long way towards fulfilling his goal of becoming a Pastor last Sunday. He led the services as Liturgist at Bethel Lutheran Church in both morning services. The Pastor, C. William Carlson, said that it was only the second time in the fifty year history of the congregation in which a high school student was allowed to be Liturgist.

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