

# Moller heads Central's administration



Dr. G. E. Moller

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The 1968-69 school term at Central opened under a new principal, Dr. G. E. Moller. Dr. Moller served as an assistant principal at Central for five years before succeeding Dr. J. Arthur Nelson as principal.

Moller attended Nebraska State College at Chadron for two years. He then transferred to the University of Nebraska where he received his Bachelor's degree. He became high school principal in Valentine, Nebraska, after teaching there for two years.

Moller remained in Valentine for seven years. He worked on his Master's degree during the summers at Chadron. He

then became high school principal in Gering, Nebraska, for two years. After coming to Central, Moller continued his advanced work at the University of Nebraska. He received his Doctor of Education degree in June, 1968.

Moller commented that he feels Central was "fortunate in receiving real good faculty replacements." He also said, "I am extremely pleased with the appointments of the new assistant principals. I feel they are very well-qualified."

Minor changes, made by Moller, in Central High procedures include holding faculty meetings every two weeks,

whether they are needed or not. Department Chairmen will be giving Moller a report at least once a month containing an account of the outstanding activities of that department.

Students who arrive at school during home room period now go directly to home room. The home room teachers keep tardy records so students do not have to report to the office first. Students must report to the nurse only after an absence of three or more days.

In regard to the current school year, Moller stated, "I am extremely optimistic about a fine year."

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### Thirty attend summer institutes to supplement work at Central

Attending separate summer institutes and touring Europe and Asia as well as the United States, occupied about 30 Central students this summer.

Anne Aresty, editor of the *Central High Register*, studied the art and Philosophy of Communication at the Andover Summer Session for six weeks. Judy Hahn spent six weeks at Mount Hermon Summer School studying Forms of Literary Imagination.

Several students were involved at Northwestern University for various programs. Harlan Rips spent five weeks in a summer journalism course. Sandy Lowder and Sandy Lipsman were enrolled in music courses at Northwestern for three weeks. Also at Northwestern, Julie Ramsey attended Engineering classes for five weeks.

Marsha Wittman and Bilha Karpman were involved in art courses this summer at Kansas University Art Institute.

Here in Omaha Dennis Moore, Greg Wees, and Frank Kaiman

attended the six week session of the University of Nebraska at Omaha Forensics Institute. Frank also toured California on a biology field trip with a group of students from District 66.

Craig Clawson, Wendy Hanscom, and Mary Goodrich spent eight days at the Wayne State Music Camp. All three Central students received scholarships for next year's program.

Penny Chatfield also received musical instruction at the Girl Scout National World of Arts and Music Clinic in New York.

Two students attended Georgetown University for the Forensics Institute. Larry Kay and Arie Bucheister studied speech as well as debate.

Michael Sellz and Jeff Hochster studied Comparative Religions as well as Judaism at the International Leadership Training Conference sponsored by B'Nai B'Rith Youth Organization in Pennsylvania.

Howard Gould attended the National Science Foundation

Summer Institute at Lawrence University this summer and took courses in Physics and Experimental Psychology. Marilyn Johnson also studied Physics at Western Michigan University.

Gary Anderberg received college credits this summer in European History and Marxist Political Theory at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Hank Shrier attended the American Freedom Summer Institute at Washington University in St. Louis to study Political Science, History and Economics. At the Colorado School of Mines, Robert Brody studied Electronics.

Amy Helling has traveled this past year throughout Europe and Asia and she lived in Ankara, Turkey. Valerie Enholm toured Germany and Austria with the Foreign Language League for six weeks. Also in Germany, Peggy McNichols was involved in an Experiment International Living program.

### Pierson, Jones, LaGreca aid Moller in CHS office

Central students will find three new men at the reins of the school's administration.

New to Central is Mr. William Pierson, Assistant Principal. He comes to the Hilltop from William Jennings Bryan Junior High School where he was Assistant Principal. Pierson comes well prepared for his new post. He attended Omaha University and received his Bachelor of Science in Education. His Masters degree was awarded by the University of Nebraska.

Pierson takes charge of Class scheduling, student teachers, hall patrol and the bookroom. In addition, the Air Force Reserve Major will manage ninth grade discipline.

Mr. Anthony La Greca entered the administration through Central's Economic department serving there for four years.

La Greca has a wide educational background, having attended Tulsa University and majored in Business Management. He took educational courses at Creighton. He taught at Tech for four years before coming to Central.

This year La Greca's administrative talents are being turned toward the growing computer programs here. The computer program is getting an increasing share of the clerical paper work that teachers formerly did. This year it will place everyone in classes and study halls, and do report cards and class rank. La Greca commented, "If there is a mistake on your card, don't say that the computer made it. There is probably a human error behind it someplace."

In addition to administrative duties, he is in charge of senior discipline. However, he hopes to continue a close relationship with the student body at large.

A new position in the hierarchy is filled by Mr. Richard Jones, last year's junior counselor. Jones becomes Central's first student Activities director. He will be in charge of clubs, sports, student council and discipline for the ninth and tenth grades. Jones received his Bachelor of Arts from Wayne and Masters from the University of Colorado. He taught at Benson for five years before coming to Central.

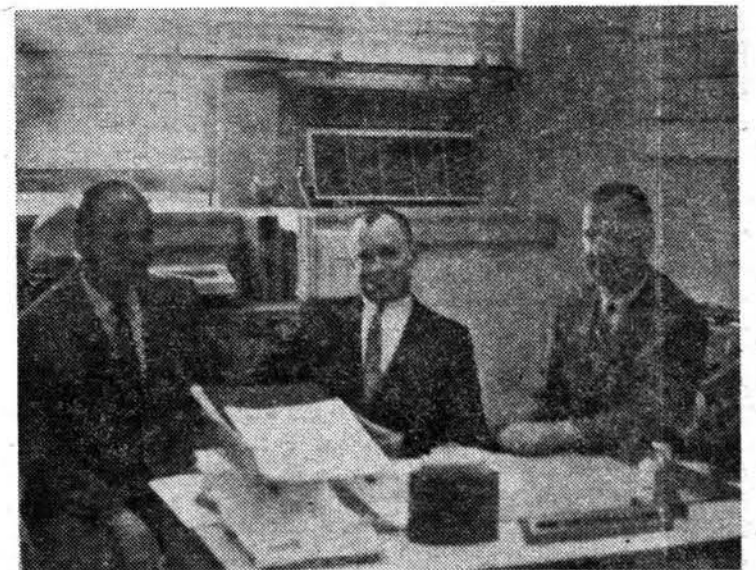


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LaGreca, Pierson and Jones at administrative conference

### Teachers tour US, New Zealand

Miss Virginia Pratt, head of the Math Department, spent most of her summer in three different states.

In June, she attended an AP Math Conference held at Lake Forest College, Illinois. There, she learned the changes to be used in this year's Advanced Placement course.

In July, she spent a week in Asheville, North Carolina participating in a seminar on Purposeful living which was led by some outstanding women of the United States.

And to conclude the summer, she visited relatives in Virginia for two weeks in August.

Mr. Bruce Riley, boys' gym instructor, took his vacation in Wellington, New Zealand.

Before coming to Central in 1964, Riley taught at Wellington College for 18 months. Because of this, he returned to visit old acquaintances and see the beautiful islands. He also attend competitive sport tournaments at Wellington which included rugby, football, soccer, rowing, and track and field events.

### New opportunities abound for Centralites

A vast array of clubs are open to Central students who possess S.A. tickets. Newcomers will discover a club that coincides with almost any interest or study.

For language students there are French and German clubs. Junior Classical League for Latin students was established in 1903 and is the oldest club at Central. Inter-American Club centers around Spanish, but deals with relations to Latin America.

In the field of careers, there are clubs for future nurses, future physicians, and future teachers. Homemaking Club deals with career possibilities in the field of home economics. Library Club gives its members a chance to learn the duties of the librarian.

In the area of hobbies there is Stamp and Coin Club and

Chess Club, which has won the state championship for the last four years.

Those interested in the theater as a hobby or career can join Central High Players which is sponsoring the fall production of "Twelfth Night." Thespians, a national drama society, admits students on the basis of their stage experience.

Artists and art enthusiasts comprise Greenwich Village, which sponsors the Little Gallery, a changing art display. Secretary Marsha Wittmann says plans for the club include a trip to the Market Gallery, several interesting speakers, and an art auction.

Literary enthusiasts can join Forum. President Gary Anderberg says there will be dramatic readings held. This year club members will also read the works of Negro authors.

For people who are aware and concerned about current national issues there is the Domestic Relations and Political Science Club, commonly called DRAPS. President Julie Ramsey says the year's activities will include a mock convention, and elections, and an effort to get more Afro-American history into Central. International Relations Club extends the same kind of interests to foreign affairs.

Central's Math Club has produced state champions nine out of the past eleven years. Last year it was also first in our region. The score topped the highest scores from fourteen other states and two Canadian provinces. Members in good standing of Math Club may also join Mu Alpha Theta, a national mathematics club.

## Register representative of Central

The Central High Register is the product of a small group of students. These students are participating in Central's journalism program in order to gain some experience in this field. So in part, the Register becomes a learning experience for a small group.

Yet the purpose of the Register must not end here. A school's paper should be its spokesman. It is often the only way through which the public learns about a school. Thus, staff members do not merely learn how to produce a paper. While learning, they try to publish a paper that will be the best possible representative of Central High School.

Too often, only a small segment of school news is printed. A staff of 16 finds it difficult to utilize the entire student body as a news source. As a result, only the honor students' successes and the most well-known activities are reported. It is the desire of this staff to probe further into the student body, and to report the interests and rewarding activities of its various members. The Register will become truly representative of Central only when this desire is realized.

Each year the Register staff tries to add new items to the paper and to change some existing policies. By striving to perfect continued practices and trying to make new ideas work, the staff prevents the Register from appearing the same year after year.

One change made this year concerns the editorial policy of the paper. Previously, at least one editorial has appeared in every issue. For years, students have read about school spirit, school apathy, and the evils of chewing gum. This year, there will be no attempt made to print an editorial each issue. Editorials will only be written when a worthwhile subject arises.

Last year, the Register staff attempted to initiate a "Letters to the Editor" column. The attempt failed, mostly because very few letters were received. We would like to have a regular "Letters to the Editor" column this year. We strongly urge all students and faculty members, who have an idea or opinion they want made known, to contribute to this column. Please sign your name to the letter and bring it to the journalism room (317). Co-operation on the part of the student body and faculty in establishing this column will enhance the first step in the effort to make the Register representative of the entire school.



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Mr. Clark, new English department head.

## Mr. Clark is new head of English

Assuming the position of Chairman of the English Department this fall is Mr. W. Edward Clark. He replaces Miss Josephine Frisbie who retired at the end of last year's term.

Clark teaches Advanced Placement English and creative writing in addition to his other duties as department head.

A Chicagoan by birth, Clark moved to Omaha at age four. After graduating from Central, he studied for his Bachelor's degree at the University of Chicago.

Majoring in English and Philosophy, he earned his Master's degree at Columbia University. Shortly after graduation, Clark entered World War II where he learned the arts of aviation as a pilot.

Upon returning to Omaha in

1946, Clark returned to Central as an English teacher. In 1955 he was awarded a John Hay Fellowship which enabled him to do work in the Humanities at Yale University.

During recent summers Clark has traveled extensively throughout both Eastern and Western Europe. He has collected over 3000 slides which, according to Clark, capture the continent "from beyond the Arctic Circle to Central Turkey and from Portugal to Finland."

While not pursuing travel abroad, he enjoys mountain climbing in the American Rockies. During this past summer he spent two months in the Grand Tetons where he scaled no less than six peaks, climaxed by his ascent on the Grand Teton itself.

## CHS Profile

# Aresty, Ogborn direct Register, O-Book

by Gretchen Menke

Central activities may appear to be reported from the female standpoint. And this would happen naturally since Anne Aresty and Susie Ogborn head the Register and O-Book staffs respectively.

Although Anne devotes most of her time to her responsibilities of the Register she carries a busy schedule. Anne's schedule includes AP English, AP French, accelerated trigonometry, American history and journalism.

Extra-curricular activities provide another outlet for Anne's many interests. She takes part in Math Club, DRAPS and plays the violin in Orchestra.

Anne is not only active in school activities, but also in the Omaha Temple Youth Group. Through this group she has attended various conventions and retreats. "This organization has not only provided me with the chance to meet other young people, it has given me an opportunity to widen my interests in the cultural arts."

Anne's future plans include attending a college in the eastern part of the United States. In college she plans to concentrate on English. Anne's main interests lie in the writing aspect of her major.

Although an English major dominates Anne's college plans she is still interested in journalism. Anne recognizes the important role that newspapers play in today's society. "Journalism is so involved in today's government activities that newspapers may be considered to be a main influence on the public."

Anne looks forward to her responsibilities as Editor-in-Chief of the Register. Anne stated, "Journalism is providing for me not only experience

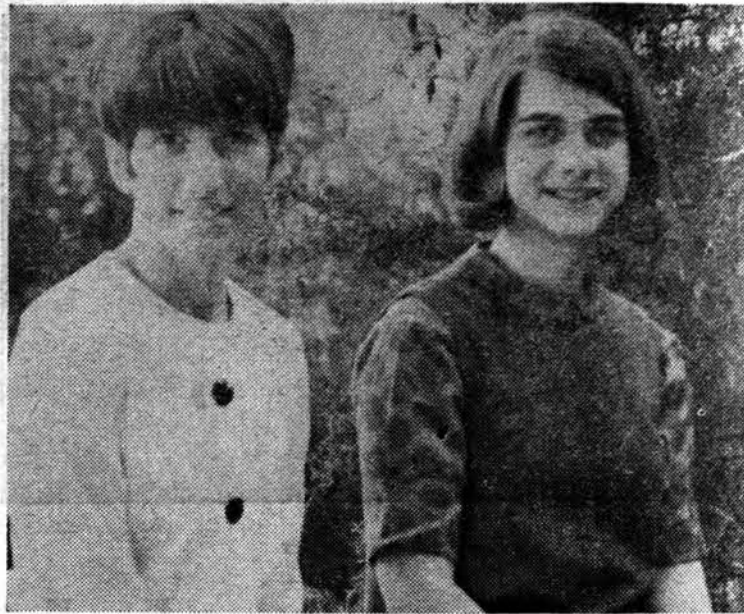


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Ogborn and Aresty share common interests in journalism and religious youth activities.

in leadership but also a means of learning discipline in writing."

Susie Ogborn divides her time among many various activities. Her duties as Editor of the O-Book consume a large share of her time. But Susie also finds time to take part in other activities at Central. Susie is an active member of French Club, Inter-American Club, DRAPS and Human Relations Club.

Church activities are also important to Susie. Her church activities include youth group, teaching Sunday School, serving as a counselor at camp, and helping to organize retreats and other social functions. She also takes part in various service projects sponsored by the church.

Susie also finds time to en-

joy swimming, bowling and ice skating. Although she is not a participant in track she is a very active spectator.

Susie's schedule this year includes two AP courses, experimental English and American history, also French, Spanish and journalism.

Next year, she hopes to attend Hanover College. While attending college, Susie plans to major in English and to minor in journalism. After college, Susie hopes to gain further experience in writing by working for a magazine.

Susie has already experienced some personal satisfaction from her work as Editor of the O-Book. She stated that she has begun to "learn to organize time, ideas, material and most important, working with other people."

## Andy's dandies

Mr. Weintraub confessed to his debate class that "Speech isn't my bag."

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Walter Bennett has been arguing with Mr. Hart all week, against having to go into ROTC. Walter says "The pants itch."

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One poor sophomore was overheard in the ice cream line asking the cafeteria madame if the ice cream machine was really Central's own computer.

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Mr. Bitzes told his AP History class last week that if the height of the ceilings was any indication of human height, everyone should be 11½ feet tall.

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One student was heard last week bragging to a friend about being promoted to Art II. His friend's reply was, "You can't draw a straight line with a ruler."

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If anything funny happened to you write it down and drop it in the Feature Editor's box in room 317.

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## Superfluous Survey One

Polishing off another slick survey this weeks staffers have slid into an enormous victory in shellacking the competition in this slippery reporting field.

The staffers have dipped into the acres of highly waxed woodwork that adorns our hallowed halls. With three stories of wooden hall floors Central manages to lead the area in the amount of wax used to preserve its floors for the 110th straight year. It takes about 15 gallons of wax and varnish to keep Central in skinned knees.

With these facts the survey crew came up with these startling facts.

a) Over the years enough varnish has been put down on the floors to pave an interstate highway 2,000 miles long, six inches deep. Or to completely

pave the long, long way to Tipperary.

b) Varnish coming from pine trees, the staff has found that if all of the trees used to get the varnish resins were placed side by side a stockade could be built around the United States 30 feet thick and thirty feet high.

c) In measuring the true slickness of the floors we found that the average Olympic ice skater could do 28½ figure eights between the nurse's office and the foreign language lab. When the floors are in top shape the Norwegian cross country skiing team can make it around the halls in 3.2 seconds. After much research the Survey staff has decided that Central could easily hold the 35th annual roller derby world championships with room to spare.

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# Hilltopics

—Steve Marantz  
Sports Editor

## Dineen Leads Gridders

Central football fortunes this fall will be guided by new head coach, Mr. Tom Dineen. He moves into the post vacated by Mr. Pat Salerno, who returned to the University of Nebraska to continue studies. Mr. Dineen, who came to Central in 1965, had been assistant football and head baseball coach for three years. During his career, he has coached football teams in Sidney, Nebr., San Francisco, San Rafael, Cal., and Ryan High School in Omaha.

## New Look in Metro

The Metropolitan Conference has been realigned for the 1968-69 year. Central has been placed in the National Division along with Benson, Boys Town, AL, South, Prep, and Bellevue. The American Division consists of Westside, Tech, North, Ryan, Tee Jay, Rummel, and Burke. The National Division appears to be the stronger with perennial powerhouses Prep, Boys Town, and Bellevue setting the pace.

## Eagles the Team to Beat

Central's state champion tennis team will open its season with seven returning lettermen to defend the crown obtained last May. New coach, Mr. Russell Ingram, inherits a veteran squad led by juniors, Jim Crew and Dan Grossman. Crew reached the semifinals in the State meet last May before succumbing to Westside's Steve Gerdes. Grossman teamed with Tom Crew, a graduate, to take the State Doubles Championship. Other lettermen include: seniors Dave Dinsmore and Dick Brezacek, and juniors Jim Roseman, Dave Slosburg, and John Ellerbeck.

## Former Eagles Shine

Central basketball fans were greeted with a familiar sight at the Cage Classic on August 28th at the Civic Auditorium. Leading the National All-Stars and playing together much of the game were former Rhythm Boys, Dwaine Dillard, Willie Frazier, Phil Griffin, and John Biddle. Although Dillard was plagued by foul trouble, Griffin, Biddle, and Frazier kept the Nationals in the game before losing in the last minute, 95-91. Frazier led the Nationals with nineteen points, followed by Griffin with thirteen and Biddle with ten.

## Sport Queries

Any comments or questions concerning the Central sports scene can be deposited in Room 317. Each comment or question that merits the attention will be printed in the HILLTOPICS column and answered in the following issue of the Register.

## Ross stars on grid, mat

Tony Ross is an outstanding performer in two sports at Central High School.

During the past two years that Tony has been wrestling at Central High School he has won five tournaments. These include victories at Thomas Jefferson, the South High and North High Invitationals, and the District Tournament. As a junior Tony was the first Central wrestler since 1962 to win in the state tournament. Tony wrestled at 165 pounds last year. However, this year he plans to wrestle at 180 lbs. Tony has compiled a 39-7-1 record in the past two years.

Tony feels that this year's wrestling team shows great promise. Seven returning lettermen along with Tony should make Central a wrestling contender this season.

Tony feels that the top wrestlers he has ever faced are Joe George of Creighton Prep and Virgil Mitchell of Technical High School.

Tony, the 1967 World Herald All-Metro halfback selection, will start at both tailback and outside linebacker this season. Tony was Central's second leading rusher last year. Tony gained an average of 5.1 yards every time he ran with the ball. When asked about the key to his success, Tony replied, "Those guards and tackles made me what I am today."

Tony gives this advice to those who are interested in

football, "Start young and don't give up if you want to be a football player. All it takes is desire and guts."

Tony feels that after the first two or three games Central should have the toughest team in the league.

Tony deserves much credit, not only for his work on the football field, but the job he does for Central on the wrestling mats.



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Eagle All-Metro fullback Ross

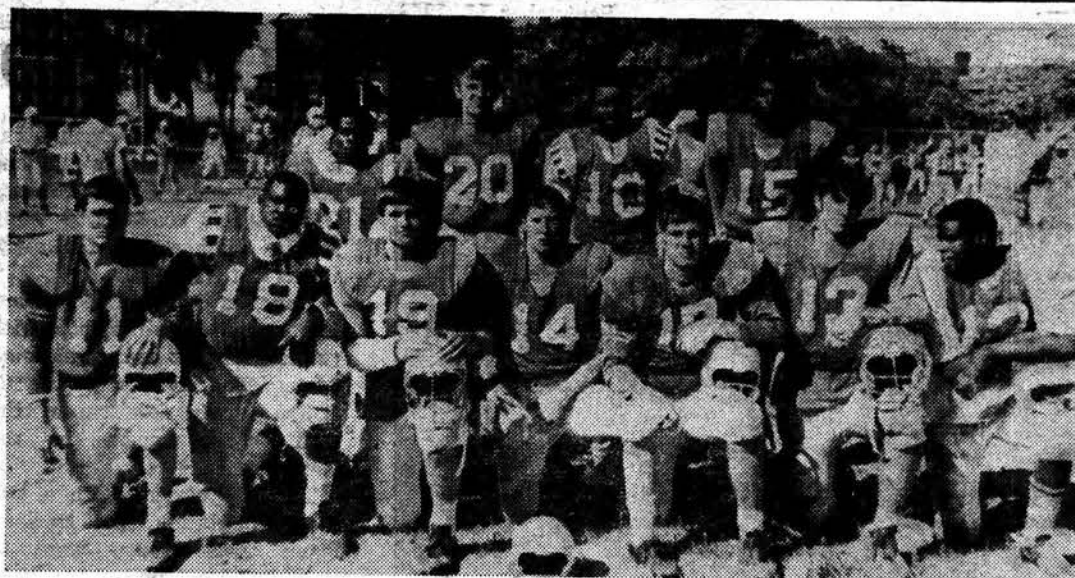


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Starting offensive unit, top row, left to right: Sampson, Majors, Ross, Butler; bottom row: Small, Sanchell, Meehan, Katzman, Crew, Wolmacque, Moss.

## Eagles prepare to meet South

Prospects look bright that the Central High football team will have its best season since the "Sayers Era". According to the new head football coach, Mr. Tom Dineen, "We should come out better than 50% this year."

Although only six lettermen will be returning this year, Coach Dineen sites quality to overcome inexperience.

Coach Dineen feels that this year's team will be small in comparison with the rest of the competition. However, this deficit should be made up by speed, and desire.

Coach Dineen sites Tony Ross, Joe Sanchell, and Tom Vincen-tini as possible All-Metro selections.

This season the Eagles will be operating out of the "I" formation. Coach Dineen stated that, "We shall pass about 50% of the time. We didn't pass hardly at all last year."

Derek Majors, a junior, quarterbacked the sophomore team last year. Major's strong 'arm combined with the wide open "I" formation offense should be an exciting combination. Coach Dineen expects approximately

40% of Derek's passes to be completed. Majors is ably backed up by Delmar Givehand.

The backfield will be a mixture of power and speed. Tailback and last season's All-Metro selection Tony Ross supplies the power, while fullback Bruce Sampson and flanker Nate Butler supply the speed.

End Ken Small has the desire and good hands needed to be at the receiving end of a Major's pass.

Jim Crew at guard and Joe Sanchell and Scott Wolmacque at tackle have the size and desire to stop opposing linemen; center Steve Katzman and guard Ed Meehan depend on speed and agility to make the holes for our running backs.

The defensive line will be a combination of the size of Sanchell, Crew, and Wolmacque and the speed of Lindberg White.

The outside linebackers will be Ross and Small, while Tom Vincen-tini and John Maliazewski will be the interior linebackers.

Speed is the description of the Eagle defensive backfield. It will be composed of Sampson,

Butler, and Jim Neal.

This year's punting will be done by Jim Crew while the place kicking will be done by Fred Tichauer.

Others making the squad include: center John Lawrence; guards Abe Hoskins and Larry Goldstrom; tackles John Gaines, Les Long, and Ray Parks; fullbacks Jeff Krum and Davis Lewis; halfbacks Keith Trimble and Gene Moore; tailback Monroe Coleman; and ends Rick Theisen, Jim Johnson, and Mike Srameh.

- September 14 South at Berquist\*
  - September 20 Tech at Berquist\*
  - September 27 Burke at Burke
  - October 4 Boys Town at Berquist\*
  - October 11 Abraham Lincoln at 21st & J St.
  - October 18 North at Berquist\*
  - October 25 Bellevue at Bellevue
  - November 8 Benson at Benson
- \* denotes home football games

**CENTRAL  
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## Martin heads CHS harriers

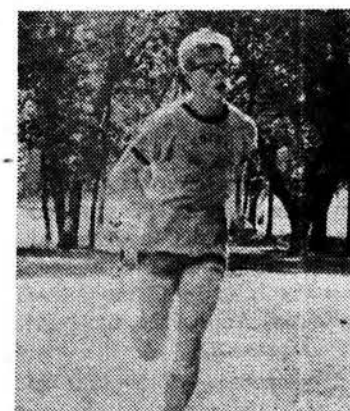
The Central cross country team opens its season with a home meet against Abraham Lincoln on September 17th. The James Martin coached Harriers are expected to be one of the pacesetters of the Metropolitan Conference.

Senior Henry Caruthers leads a squad of six returning lettermen seeking to improve on last year's 3-4 record and ninth place finish in the Metro meet. Teaming with Caruthers will be senior's Andy Guzman, Scott Yahnke, Ned Williams, Jim DeMott, and Gary Swain.

Coach Martin commented, "This should be one of the best teams in Central history. Our toughest rival will probably be North." He mentioned that "Scott Yahnke and Gary Swain could be the big surprises" after working out all summer with former Central track and cross country standout, Mark Wilson. Caruthers added that unity would play an important factor

in the team's success. The schedule:

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| Sept. 17 | AL        | Home |
| 20       | North     | Away |
| 24       | Boys Town | Home |



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# Oostenbrug visits Holland



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Senior Carol Ramsey toured throughout Europe

## Ramsey tours Czechoslovakia, Spends 3 weeks in U.S.S.R.

Many young people dream of touring the Iron Curtain countries and finding out what life is really like there. This summer the dream came true for Carol Ramsey, a Central High senior. She went to Scandinavia, the U.S.S.R., Poland, Czechoslovakia and West Germany, with the Friends World College.

Her trip began in Scandinavia. The high point of her trip was a four day stay in Sweden with an exchange student who lived with the Ramsey's last summer.

From Scandinavia Carol traveled with her group to the U.S.S.R. where they camped for three weeks. "While in the Soviet Union we had no contact with Western Newspapers. We did get to talk to some members of the Communist party as well as to the regular Soviet citizens. They seemed to be hopeful about the future."

While in the Soviet Union, Carol got to see parts of the cities of Leningrad, Moscow, and Smolinsk. "The effects of World War II were still obvious in Leningrad. You could still see the ruins of the buildings bombed by the Germans."

A trip through the Kremlin was the high point of the stay in Moscow. "We got to see the rooms where the Czars lived. However we were unable to see any part of the Kremlin that is now in use."

## Grossman sees convention

Junior Dan Grossman had the opportunity to attend the Democratic National Convention under the Hugh O'Brien Foundation. He was in Chicago from Saturday, August 24, until Friday, August 30.

The purpose of the trip was to study the democratic process of the United States. The Foundation picked a representative from each state. Thirty students attended the Democratic Convention, while the rest went to the Republican Convention.

Dan attended the convention Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights. He sat in the gallery. His group was not able to obtain tickets for Thursday night.

"Mayor Daley gave a lot of his supporters tickets on Thursday night, so they could yell 'We love Daley!' from the gallery. There weren't any tickets left that we could get," Dan explained.

Dan also attended seminars on leadership. John Glenn and Bob Considine were two speakers that he heard.

The students stayed at a

From the U.S.S.R. the tour continued to Poland. "The first thing that I noticed was the difference in the countries behind the Iron Curtain. The idea of the Communist countries being all alike is not true."

As in Russia the Second World War is still very much a part of the life of Poland, especially in Warsaw.

Perhaps the most exciting thing that happened to Carol occurred in Czechoslovakia. She was in Prague when the Russian tanks came in. "The people were all shocked. No one expected the Russians to come in. I saw one man in the streets show his Communist Party card to the Russians and tell them that the Czechs didn't want them. I saw some people crying, some screaming, some preparing to fight, no matter what the odds. Everywhere I went I saw signs proclaiming 'Viva Tito, Viva Dubcek.'" The Czechs want a Czechoslovakia for Czechoslovaks, not for Communists.

When asked what part of the trip was most beneficial, Carol said, "I think that just seeing how people in another country live was very beneficial. The people taught me to look at both sides of a question instead of just accepting what is taught in school."

"Who would ever dream that a girl from Omaha would end up in Holland." This was Nancy Oostenbrug's reaction to being in the Netherlands for eight weeks of the summer.

Nancy, a Central High senior, went to the Netherlands with the Experiment in International Living. She lived with the G. Milius family for five of the eight weeks spent in the Netherlands.

The trip started with a two day orientation in Harlem. From there Nancy went to Domburg, the home of her "foster" family. She recalled, "I had two brothers and two sisters. The whole family could speak English except my little sister. She was sort of my incentive to learn Dutch. I couldn't stand not being able to talk to her."

When asked about the difference between life in Europe and life in the United States Nancy thought of two very big differences. "The first thing you notice is that the pace there is much slower. If you live with a family and get to know the people you notice that World War II is still very real to the Dutch, especially to the older people. The Dutch have not forgotten what the Germans did to the people and to the country."

The major facet of the experiment was traveling all over the Netherlands. "I enjoyed Amsterdam very much. I think I had the most moving experience while in Amsterdam. A few of us went to see the house of Ann Frank. Nothing has been changed since the war. Even the map of the Allied advances with the pins locating the troops kept by Mr. Frank was still intact. I could still see the marks measuring Ann's height on the wall. I could hardly speak when I came out."

Nancy felt that one of the major benefits of the trip was that by living abroad she was able to look "at the other side of the coin" concerning world problems. She said, "The Dutch showed me that there are alternatives to problems that we never see in America."

Besides the obvious differences between the life in the U.S. and life in the Netherlands,

Nancy noticed many other dissimilarities between the two countries. "Holland is a happy country. The people are free with their emotions. The atmosphere is relaxed. In Holland, people invite you into their homes. Family life is much stronger there. Parents rarely do things without their children. Many pleasant evenings are spent at home. Don't misunderstand, kids are not tied to their parents, by any means. It just seems like they enjoy being with each other."

Even though the pace is slower and things are more relaxed in the Netherlands Nancy found the people far from apathetic. "The Dutch are very interested in the civil rights is-

ssue. Some of the Dutch know nothing in English except 'We shall overcome.'" The Dutch are also deeply concerned about the problems of Biafra according to Nancy. While in the Netherlands she participated in a one day Hunger Strike. The money saved from the food allowance was sent to the Red Cross to be used for food for the starving children of Biafra.

Nancy did get a chance to see a small part of one other country besides the Netherlands. On the final day of her stay Nancy and one of her "sisters" took a boatride on the Rhine River. "The Castles were magnificent, but the highlight of the whole trip was seeing the Cathedral of Cologne. It was really beautiful."

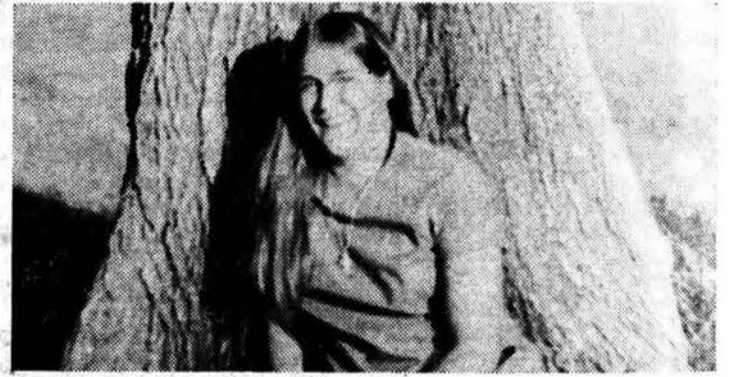


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