

Disturbances at CHS; Moller hopeful for future

On Wednesday, October 1, and Thursday, October 2, several displays of physical violence took place at Central High which resulted in much anxiety on the part of faculty, parents, and students. City police were stationed around the building before and after school for the following two days.

On both days the main disturbances took place in the morning. Before school on Wednesday, there was a fight involving a small number of black and white students. The trouble on Thursday involved the use of knives by one or two students. A couple of students were hurt during the fighting, one seriously.

After school on Thursday, large groups of black and whites formed outside of Central's west entrance. They were dispersed by police and no violence occurred.

Friday brought no new trouble, and

most members of the student body and the faculty made strives to retain an atmosphere of learning.

Of the disturbances, Dr. Moller said, "I sincerely believe that the vast majority of our students, black and white, want to solve any problems of racial nature that exist in the school. I think that if everyone works hard enough at it, we will solve these problems eventually."

He continued, "I read an epigram somewhere that said, 'If you can't think of a solution, think harder.' This saying applies to our problem."

"I do believe that, unfortunately, we have a small minority of students, both black and white, who for one reason or another don't care to use good judgment or restraint. They seem to want notoriety and a bad situation. They want

to create excitement.

"I think that it is the responsibility of every sincerely concerned student to control those in this minority by reporting their undesirable activities to the proper authorities."

During the disturbances, many students crowded onto the staircases and into the halls attempting to get a better view of what was happening. While these students meant no harm, they greatly hampered attempts by the authorities to get control of the situation.

These spectators cannot help but encourage violence. Dr. Moller requests that students move from any commotion that breaks out in the future.

"I really believe that all of our students are 99.5% safe in this building at all times," commented Dr. Moller. "We have now what we feel to be good

security. If we have to keep on increasing security, we will do so.

"However, an increase in security people is not going to prevent periodic verbal insults from a few misguided individuals. That would take a one to one student faculty ratio."

Dr. Moller attributed the violence partially to a lack of communication between different groups of students. He expressed a hope that students would take their grievances and suggestions to the Student Forum meetings.

Dr. Moller added, "We can only hope that our sincere and concerned students will understand the necessary tightening of restrictions. This is a matter that concerns everyone's safety. These restrictions will be continued in force as long as we have evidence that there is any threat to the safety of persons or property."

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Alston, Johnson Negro merit semifinalists

Two Central seniors, Ellen Alston and Derrick Johnson, are among 1,500 Semifinalists in the sixth annual National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro students. Julie Mallory is one of 1,700 Commended Students who scored just below the level required for a Semifinalist standing.

Semifinalists were selected from over 35,000 black participants from more than 4,500 schools nationwide. They were the highest scorers in their geographical regions on the

National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMSQT) administered last February.

Semifinalists who advance to Finalist standing are considered for approximately 325 Achievement Scholarships. To become Finalists, they must receive the endorsements of their schools, take a second examination, and meet other standard requirements.

About one hundred of the Achievement Scholarships will be four-year renewable awards ranging in value from \$250 per year to \$1,500 per year. The

exact amount is based on the need of the individual winner. These four-year scholarships are sponsored mainly by corporations or corporate foundations.

Over 200 of the awards will be National Achievement \$1,000 Scholarships that provide a single payment of \$1,000 to the winner when he enrolls in college. Rosters giving the names of all Semifinalists and Commended Students will be sent to all accredited colleges and universities. These rosters help colleges locate talented black students.

Hussars, Lancers perfect routines

On Friday and Saturday, the 17th and 18th of October, Central High School will be represented in the Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation as 16 ROTC cadets will perform.

These cadets are divided into two groups: The Queen's Own Lancers under the command of Second Lieutenant Michael Peterson; and The King's Own Hussars under the command of Second Lieutenant William Jaksich.

This year's Lancers besides Michael will include Joel Estes, William Hartso, Andrew Nearing, Paul Chapwick, David Hopkins, Kim Warner, Alan Johnson, and alternate Jeffrey McCann.

Other Hussars are Jeffrey Vaca, Gregory Hackett, Ted Sleder, Maybre Johns, John Obal, Tom Jaksich, George Perlebach, and alternate Frank Beck.

Michael and William were selected as the commanders of the Lancers and Hussars at the end of the last school year. Tryouts were held

during the second week of school this year for the squads.

Practice started the 4th of September with various marching drills. The cadets were watched for how they carried themselves, their walk, and how they were able to match the appearance of the others.

As commanders, it was Michael's and William's duty to work out an original routine for their respective groups. These routines are to last three minutes.

Since the Lancers and the Hussars have been chosen this year, much work and practice has been done. These drill teams are perfectionists, and practice until their routine is right.

When the Hussars and Lancers perform for the Coronation, they will bring a great deal of honor to Central High School. In 1940, the Central ROTC Department was asked to serve as the Hussars at the Coronation.



Photo by Bleicher

Marvin Moss and Marilyn Katz were elected the Homecoming king and queen on Saturday night.

Katz, Moss royalty

Marvin Moss and Marilyn Katz are Central's 1969 Homecoming king and queen. The two were crowned last Saturday night, climaxing the Homecoming festivities that included a pep rally, a parade, the victorious football game against Abraham Lincoln, and the dance.

Friday festivities

Purple and White Day began Friday. In the morning, before homeroom, students filed behind the cheerleaders, Pep Club, Eaglettes, and the marching band to parade through the halls.

Any student wearing purple and white or a carnation bought from the Eaglettes was excused near the end of eighth hour for a pep rally held in the auditorium. Homecoming candidates were introduced, and Paul Garedys won a football in the raffle sponsored by the cheerleaders.

Candidates presented at dance

The dance was held on Saturday at the Diplomat from 8:00 to 12:00. The Les Smith Soul Band supplied the music.

At 10:00 the procession began. Skip Rosenstock and Dick Bernstein introduced the king and queen candidates. The Student Council gave the queen candidates flowers and initialed necklaces. The boys received boutonnieres and wallets.

Queen candidates and their escorts were: Nancy Anthony and David Slosburg, Mary Clotfelter and Terry Zimmerman, Debbie Danberg and Radley Clemens, Marilyn Katz and Irv Blumkin, Joan Mauer and Tony Paletto, Carol McColley and Mike Lebens, and Linda Wagner and Monte Sothman.

King candidates and escorts were: Larry Brisby and Cindy Rasp, Buzz Anderson and Kathy Haile, Jim Crew and Susan Strauss, Larry Goldstrom and Rickie Goodman, Derek Majors and Charlene Moss, Marvin Moss and Charlotte Crooms, and Tom Vincentini and Vicki Janisek.

Forums aid communication

The Principal-Student Discussion Forum and the Student Forum are two groups that meet to help form a more effective communication between the students and the administration.

The Student Forum, sponsored by Student Council, had its first meeting on October 6 at 3:20. Student Council President Ellen Alston presided. Dr. G. E. Moller, several members of the faculty and administration, Student Council members, and about sixty students attended.

This group will meet bi-monthly after school. Any CHS students will have an opportunity to voice his opinions to the Student Council and administration.

Topics under discussion at the first meeting included a request to observe The Vietnam Moratorium, to modify Student Council representation, and ways to better race relations at Central.

The Principal-Student Discussion Forum, established last year, will continue this year to help inform Dr. Moller of student thinking. This group will meet during school hours, twice a month.

Student representation of the Forum will consist of five Student Council members, three seniors, five juniors, four sophomores, three freshmen, and five possible guests.



Photo by Mintz

Special ROTC units participate annually in the Ak-Sar-Ben Coronation.

Emotions result in tension

The first editorial appearing in this year's Register discussed the variety of people who attend Central. That may be nice, but stopping at this point is no longer relevant. This editorial will discuss the relationship of students to students and students to the administration with regard to racial tensions and dissent.

Let's look at a pattern. Three years ago the atmosphere of these halls was not half as tense as it is now. Why have racial relations become more and more strained? Who has failed? Does the blame fall on the administration or does it fall on the shoulders of each student individually? This editorial can only present the author's answers to some questions. However, more important, it can start every individual thinking carefully and reasonably about these questions.

First, an examination of the examples of tension at school is necessary. Last year thirteen demands by black students were presented to the administration; this year a fight between two individuals erupted into a free-for-all for anyone who wanted to make the newspaper. Already a basic difference can be seen between the two situations. While the events of last year were reflections of reasoned actions, this year's fight cannot be called a united action with a definite goal.

Therefore, what parallel does exist between these two circumstances? The first problem was between students and the administration; the second problem was between students and other students. Where is the similar cause of an atmosphere which could produce such tension? What is the origin?

The origins of Central's problems can only rest with each individual. Personal feelings must be the cause of such an outbreak of violence. Obviously, the administration did not cause the fight. Again, we are left with the only alternative cause — the students are simply unwilling to understand the other side. Any argument between two people or any other disturbance which presents itself should not have to develop into a war with sides drawn along racial lines. Personal quarrels should be just that. Whether we want to or not, whether or not we're sure that our opinions are right, it will be a useful step if every student stops and examines his motives for getting involved.

Every problem has an origin or a cause. To solve a problem the solution must attack the cause and not merely the effects. Let's apply this general principle. The cause of the problem is that students at Central have failed to understand and peacefully exist with each other. The effects of this failure are apparent from recent tensions. Now, the solution of the problem is being thrust upon the administration alone. However, a solution must come from both the students and the administration together.

Again, a solution must attack the roots of the problem, not the effects. Therefore, a solution cannot be simply better and quicker disciplinary methods or stricter security in the school. That would be like aiming the cure of a disease at a symptom rather than at the original germ. Racial tensions at school can only be alleviated originally by each of us. Those who remove the blame from themselves for causing circumstances which they dislike at Central should either re-evaluate their position or offer a better solution to the key problem of misunderstanding.

If pessimistic students feel that the situation is becoming worse, then who is making it worse? Is the administration? Or, perhaps, have students become more and more closed-minded on both sides?

If we're all striving for one goal, peace and normalcy in these halls again, then each of us must first, examine his own private dislikes and prejudices, and second, present and provide a solution through any of the channels which are now open.

Joan Faier

Centralite Dean publishes poem

A poem by Centralite, Pamela Dean, has been accepted by Seventeen magazine. The poem entitled "After Sorcery" is Pam's interpretation of death. She feels that it can be read on two levels.

Pam believes that it is "up to each individual to translate the poem as it seems to him." No one interpretation is right. This is the first article that Pam, a junior, has submitted.

She was awarded \$25.00. Pam has been writing since the sixth grade. She feels that her English courses stimulated her interest in writing. She is interested in a career in journalism.

Pam says that she often writes down everyday occurrences and dramatizes them. Then she quoted one of her favorite authors, Harlan Ellison. "Some people have the mistaken opinion that a writer is a person who gets his name on the front of a book, that is an author. A writer is the unfortunate person who is compelled to put down every random thought he ever has on paper."

Pam is taking Chem. Study, American Government, Spanish VII Honors, and Algebra III Honors this semester.

Council Column

This month being only the second month of school, I'm sure that most Centralites will agree that we have had our share of disturbances. For this reason, the first of a series of Student Forums, held on October 6, was well-timed. Those students and faculty members who attended the Forum participated in an hour-long discussion of Central problems and possible solutions. A second Forum will be held later this month and it is hoped that more students and faculty members will attend.

The suggestion box on the desk by room 113 has been put to good use by the students. Student Council has received numerous suggestions ranging from "Let's have a sock hop" to methods of bettering communications. These suggestions are important for many reasons, but mainly because they illustrate the interest of Centralites in Central.

If you consider Homecoming a success, and you were in attendance, then chalk one up for yourself under the heading of "Personal Accomplishments." Thank you for your support.

Ellen Alston

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Music interests Couch and Polson

by Karen Smith

Patti Couch and Dave Polson share an active interest in instrumental music. Patti is the majorette, and Dave is the major for marching band. Both are organizing this year's Dance Band.

Patti composes, arranges music

Patti plays the piano, flute, oboe, and organ. She enjoys composing and arranging music as well as playing it.

Patti is a member of Orchestra, Band, A Cappella, and Swing Choir. She has been in Road Show for three years and in the musical for two years.

Patti had the female lead in *Androcles and the Lion* last spring and composed the music for her songs. She composed, arranged, and played the music in *Twelfth Night*.

Patti is also active in several combos, including her own, "The Central Highlighters". It is primarily a jazz combo and vocal group that performs for benefits and the Veteran's Administration.

Patti works for the Parks and Recreation Department four days a week and is the staff accompanist for the Omaha Civic Ballet. She also gives private piano lessons to a few students.

Plans for the future

Patti plans to major in music education at either Drake University or the University of Kansas at Lawrence. She would like to be a utility girl in a recording studio because she feels that is where true creativity takes place.

Patti enjoys sewing, reading and painting. She designs some of the posters for the instrumental department. Patti complained, "I wish I had more time to do more things."

"I strive for creativity and originality," Patti remarked and



Photo by Mintz

Dave Polson and Patti Couch: Major and majorette of 1969 Central marching band.

her actions seem to agree with her statement.

Dance Band leader

Dave, who will be the head of Dance Band, said that Dance Band would have an almost entirely new personnel as well as a new format. Dave commented, "We have the potential to have the best Dance Band ever, and it all depends on how everyone applies themselves."

Dave plays alto, tenor, and soprano saxophone, and the flute. He is a member of "The Central Highlighters" and another combo.

Dave likes to play jazz "because it's a break from the ordinary." He also favors blues

orchestra.

Dave enjoys listening to jazz as well as playing in combos that specialize in jazz. He cites John Mayall and Count Basie as his favorite musicians.

Wide spectrum

His plans for the future include college, but he isn't sure where he wants to go. He plans to be a musician and a music teacher. Dave remarked, "There is a wide variety of music in which to experiment and it's possible for a musician to make it big because of the wide spectrum and changes."

Dave also enjoys watching hockey and claims the Omaha Knights as his favorite team.

Survey ventures into space

Hello again, survey lovers! This issue, the Superfluous Survey crew has decided to concern itself with the problem of all the empty space sitting around Central in the form of lockers.

Several uses have been suggested for lockers that are being left largely unused until the advent of the winter season. We've already noticed a few mummies occupying the lockers of those former CHS students who recently received downslips.

Those who wish to avoid a similar fate are advised to use their lockers as individual study cubicles. The lighting isn't too great, but the ventilation is perfect. With the aid of a hundred watt flashlight, your privacy and good grades are insured.

In case you decide not to utilize your locker for one of these fascinating purposes, the Superfluous Survey crew will gladly accept the donation of your locker space.

The steel and wooden lockers have volumes of seven and six

and one half cubic feet respectively. Therefore, we figure that we can make a room with a volume of 8576.7 cubic feet by combining the volume of all the lockers. The English Department could make good use of this room for the storage of all of those old themes that CHS students never get back.

The 1,065,640 square inches of metal from the first floor lockers would make an excellent all-weather roof for the courtyard. The lunchtime rope-jumpers would greatly appreciate this year-round sanctuary.

The destination of the 3,196,920 square inches of wood from the second and third floor lockers could be a modern Trojan horse. This would provide a fantastic hiding place for the members of the Superfluous Survey crew.

And so, Survey lovers—until next time—keep counting!

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Athletes' Feats

by Andy Lubetkin,
Sports Editor

Central begins to take form

In some sports the score doesn't give an accurate account of the event. Football is such a sport. A good example is the Central-Boys Town game. The score was 35 to 0, but the Eagles played an excellent game.

I can say this because the statistics were almost even. The only place they held the definite advantage was on the score board. The only way the Cowboys could score on our defense was in the air, and they did.

I was most impressed with some of the new jerseys in the line-up, along with some of the old ones. Of course, when one thinks of the Boys Town game one remembers the hard running and constant determination of Art Foster. Foster was shaken up several times during the game, but refused to quit. Assistant Coach, Mr. James Bond told me, "Foster played the best game I've ever seen him play (offensively and defensively)."

Along with Foster there was a new quarterback, Tom Gallas, who looks like he can't see over the center. Well, let me tell anyone who questions his abilities that he is one heck of a quarterback.

Eagles enjoy the taste of victory

On Friday night, October 10th, 1969, on the Home-coming week-end, the gridders came through with their first win of the season. The big difference in the squad was the attitude. The team finally coordinated its attack. Everyone played as a member of the squad.

Again, an all around good effort was made by everyone. Foster and Gallas both played a fine game, but I wouldn't want to leave out the star of the game. The right end who scored the winning touchdown, Marvin Moss. Moss played an excellent game.

Tennis team enters Metro

The netmen went into the Metro Tournament as a heavy favorite, and came out the victors. The team continues to look sharp. The netmen that took part in the tournament were Dan Grossman, Irv Rodin, and Jim Crew. Crew played with a 102 degree temperature. All three played excellent ball.

On Monday there was the Metro Division Play-offs. The Eagles took on Westside, with their super-star Steve Gerdes. Unfortunately we will not be able to report on the outcome. We probably will go into the State Tournament as the favorite on the 17th and 18th of October. If Coach John Talty plays his strongest players, I can foresee a state victory.

Gym men turn it on

The Central gymnastics team is one of the best in the state. In the past two weeks the gym men seem to have had a little trouble getting started. They lost to South and Bellevue. In both meets we failed to perform up to our potential. On Friday, everything fell back into place with a romp over Abraham Lincoln. That makes our record 5-2 over the season.

Looking into the future, we will meet Prep tonight after school in our gym. The person to watch will be Gene Mackie from Prep. He was an All-State gymnast last year as a sophomore.

When I asked Coach Brian Watson about the up coming meet, he gave me one of his unusually clever answers. He said, "It could be a close one, then again it couldn't. In other words I'm not giving you a prediction. No comment." Squad Captain Ken Vorhies told me, "If our guys hit their routines, it will be close." I agree with Ken.

School spirit

The school spirit at Central is sky high. Now this causes one to think what is behind this constant school support. I believe I have figured it out. This year we must have one of the most ambitious group of cheerleaders and pep-club members ever.

Keep up the good work.

Grid men enjoy first win

October 15, 1969

Sports Page

The Eagles have compiled a 1-4-0 record so far this season. They fell to the number one rated Cowboys at Boys Town, and then came back to beat Abraham Lincoln the next week. The gridders will take on the Vikings from North this Friday night at Bergquist Stadium.

Central falls to Boys Town

In the Boys Town game, the grid men lost by the score of 35-0. The Eagles weakest point was their pass defense. The Cowboys scored four of their five touchdowns with their aerial attack. The squad never quite put together a complete drive against a tough Boys Town defense.

In this game, the Eagles were without their head coach, Mr. Tom Dineen, because of an illness that kept him in bed all week. The assistant coach Mr. Frank Hanel filled in for Dineen. When Assistant Coach James Bond was asked about the way Hanel handled himself, he replied, "Mr. Hanel did an excellent job."

Eagles victorious

Central took the lead for the first time in the season against Abraham Lincoln, at our homecoming game. Back Tom Vincentini plunged over the goal to make the score 6-0. The conversion attempt failed.

A. L. struck back on a twelve-yard pass play. Their two-point attempt was good, giving them an 8-6 lead.

Then with 4:55 left in the ball game, the gridders got possession of the ball on our forty yard line. After seven plays, the grid men had moved the ball to the Abraham Lincoln twenty-seven yard line. It was fourth down and two yards to go for the first down.

Quarterback Tom Gallas began the play by fumbling the snap from center. He picked it up, fell back into the pocket with excellent protection, and fired the bomb to his split end Marvin Moss, who was in double coverage on the seven yard line. Moss made a sensational catch and took it into the end-zone for the winning score. After succeeding in a two-point conversion, the final score was 14-8.

Eagles to take on Vikings

On Friday, the Eagles will meet North, which will be an away game. The man to look for will be Gene Washington. Washington is one of the fastest men in the state. He will play half back and split end. The up-coming game should be a good one.

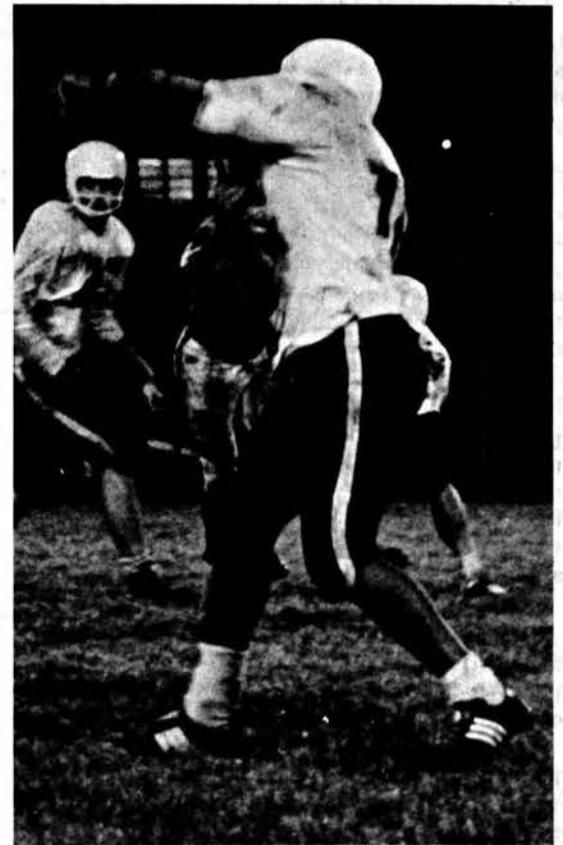


Photo by Lambert

Reggie York passing for a six yard gain.

Reserve squad goes 2-1-1

Central's reserve football team has compiled an impressive 2-1-1 record so far this year. The squad's only loss was to Benson. They beat Boys Town and Abraham Lincoln and tied Bellevue.

According to Reserve Coach, Mr. Funkhouser, the sophomore gridmen have the ability and the desire to win. He went on to say, "Our morale is very high." When asked about this year's team compared to the previous squads that he has coached, Funkhouser replied, "This is the best group I have ever coached."

The Coach summed up his team as a fine football squad. He said that he thought Central has the best reserve football team in our conference. The coach believes that when these sophomores become seniors, Central will have a great team. The coach has come to this conclusion with the idea that all the reserve football players will stay as a unit and continue to play as a team, not as individuals.

Gym men look good

With a 5-2 record there seems to be only one obstacle in the path of Central's gymnastics squad taking Metro. That obstacle is Creighton Prep's Gene Mackie. Last year as a sophomore, Mackie was an all-state gymnast. This year he promises to be even more of a challenge. The Eagles will meet Creighton Prep on October 15.

On October 3, the Central gymnastics team suffered their second loss by a score of 56 to 54. The Eagles were outmaneuvered by the Vikings in practically every event. Ken Vorhies was awarded the only first place for Central on the trampoline.

The gym men then took on the Bellevue Chieftains. Once again Vorhies took first on the tramp. Rick Weiner and Gabe Scott snared first and second places on the parallel bars and in tumbling respectively. The final score of the meet was Central 51, Bellevue 47.

On October 10, Abraham Lincoln fell to the Eagles 77 to 33. Standouts in this meet were Ken Vorhies taking first on the tramp and the rings, Fred Genovesi taking first on the side horse, and Gabe Scott taking first in tumbling.

J.V. unpredictable

Mr. James Mott has put together a strong junior varsity football team. His biggest problem this season has been the inconsistent playing of his team. The squad has a 1-2-1 overall record.

The team has put forth good efforts in every game with one exception, Benson. They beat Abraham Lincoln, tied Boys Town, lost to Bellevue by two points, and then suffered their first bad game against Benson. Benson won 61-6.

Coach Mott answered the question about the Benson when he replied, "The moral and ability of the team seemingly was above average for the first three games, however in the Benson game we lost our stamina, but we will be back."

Some of the J.V.'s stand-outs are Bob Vacek (fullback), Eddie Davis (quarterback), Rick Vondia (line backer) and Pete Goodman (tackle). The coach said that if the team sticks together he can foresee a good season next year.

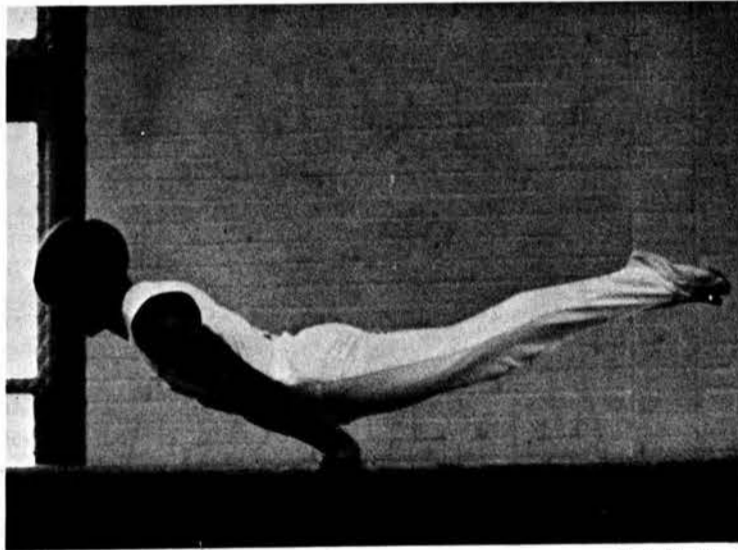


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Fred Genovesi working out on the parallel bars.

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Journalistic pros recognize talents

The Central High Register received three awards at the Creighton University Round Table for Newspaper Editors on October 11. These awards were presented for individual articles that appeared in last year's school newspapers.

A Byline Award, the highest honor given, was won by Gordon Katz in the category of feature writing. Harlan Rips and Howard Rosenberg both won third runner-up awards in the categories of front-page layout and photography, respectively.

Gordon was the fourth page editor on the 1969 Register staff. Harlan served as executive editor, while Howard was one of the photographers.

The purpose of the Round Table is to give the students working on a school newspaper the chance to hear a professional journalist's opinion of their work. Nine members of this year's staff and the sponsor attended the conference.

The staff had discussions with seven experts, each on a different phase of the newspaper. Most of these people either worked for the World Herald or taught at Creighton University.

The different topics included at the conference were sports writing, advertising, feature writing, news writing, layout, photography, and editorial writing. The Round Table is held annually in the fall and is sponsored by the Journalism Department of Creighton University.

Many high schools from all over the Midwest attended the conference.

Students ready Little Gallery for reopening

The Little Gallery will open October 15th after school. Teachers and all students are invited to attend. Paintings by art students will be hung in the Gallery, and occasionally sculptures will be displayed. The paintings will be changed every three weeks.

The Little Gallery is being remodeled by some of the art students. They are painting the upper part of the walls and the floor olive green. The ceiling and lower half of the walls have been painted light blue.

The Little Gallery was first started by art student Tom Distefano in 1962. Tom designed the lamp shade hanging in the gallery. The shade is three sided and is made of wood, glass, and cloth.

Central stats

The student enrollment for the 1969-70 school year at Central High is 2,102. The services of 95 teachers are enlisted to handle the important task of educating this body of the future leaders of America.

Among the students girls outnumber boys by the narrow margin of 42. The freshman class consists of 101 girls and 96 boys, a total of 197. The sophomores boast the largest class, 708 students, with the girls holding a dubious lead of five over the boys.

The juniors are 575 strong - 301 girls and 274 boys. The senior class contains 622 veterans. If paired co-educationally, only two girls would be left in the wings.

The student-teacher ratio this year is approximately 22.2 students for every teacher. The faculty is composed of 52 women and 43 men.

Central High library receives new books

The Central High library has been given 60 books on Afro-American history and culture. The books, donated by the Omaha Anti-defamation League, represent a wide variety of sources and opinions on the influence of the Negro in America. They also present literature written by and about Afro-Americans.

Dr. Gaylord Moller said that the League donated the money for the books in an effort to provide a source of information on the role of Black people in the history and culture of the

Grad on Dean's List

Sarah Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Reed Watson, 722 North Happy Hollow, Omaha, is one of 15 seniors named on the first semester Dean's List at Sweet Briar College.

Thirty-seven seniors, juniors, and sophomores won this distinction, which is based on their academic records for the second semester last year.

Sarah is a graduate of Central High School.

United States.

Miss Margaret Weymuller, Central librarian, together with Dr. Moller selected the books this summer from lists prepared by the Anti-defamation League. Dr. Moller said that in choosing the books they tried to get a balanced selection, rather than too many books slanted toward any one point of view.

The books represent many phases of the Black history, culture, and literature. History books include *Black Reconstruction in America* by W. E. B. DuBois and *Lay My Burden Down: a Folk History of Slavery*. Some of the biographies are those of Marian Anderson, Martin Luther King, Jackie Robinson, and Harriet Tubman.

Among the books on the Black man in today's society are *Let's Work Together* by Nathan Wright Jr. and *Black Metropolis* by St. Clair Drake and Horace R. Clayton. The new books also include several anthologies of poetry by Black writers such as Langston Hughes, LeRoi Jones, and Mari Evans.

Centralites score


Seventeen Central students have been named Commended students in the fifteenth annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These students were selected on the basis of their scores on the 1969 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Each attained an NMSQT selection score of 133 or higher, up to the qualifying score required for Semifinalists in their state or selection unit.

Commended students were: Teresa Beck, David Berman, Patricia Couch, Joan Faier, Diana Fuller, Howard Gould, Barbra Guss, Ann Hodgson, Franklin Kaiman, Peter Lambert, Susan Prohaska, Susan Rippey, Paul Sorenson, Kenneth Vorhies, Joel Wentworth, Richard Witzig, and Judy Zaiman.

Commended students will not be considered for Merit Scholarships. However, their names, addresses, NMSQT scores, and proposed college majors and career choices are being sent to the colleges they indicated as their first and second choices at the time they were tested last spring.

Each of the students will also receive a Letter of Commendation.



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