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announced!

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Photo by Mintz

Larry, Iretha, and Jim have been honored for various activities.

Centralites receive service recognition

Larry Botts, Jim Crew, and Iretha Langford were honored by the Omaha Optimists Club at a luncheon on November 12 at the Sheraton-Fontenelle Hotel.

The three were chosen by a panel on the basis of their contributions to the community, scholastic achievements, and various activities.

The names were submitted to a committee which then read resumes of the students and made the selections. Central had the largest number honored. Benson had two, Mercy two, and Tech one.

Larry participates in scouting

Larry Botts was nominated by the Mid-America Council of Boy Scouts. Larry is an Eagle Scout, and is also active in his church, the First Baptist Church. He has a job after school. Larry is a member of German Club, Math Club and Mu Alpha Theta. He is planning

to attend Iowa State University or the University of Nebraska.

Jim active in student council and sports

Jim Crew's name was submitted by Mr. Charles Funkhouser, a counselor at Central. He was chosen on the basis of his participation on Student Council and in many sports. Jim has been on Council for three years and is parliamentarian. Jim plays on the tennis, football, and basketball teams. He won the doubles competition in the state tennis tournament. Jim was in the Junior Optimists in 7th, 8th and 9th grades.

Jim was also selected as a Rotary boy. This summer he was a Boy's State representative. He is senior consul of Latin Club, and in his four years at Central has been a member of Mu Alpha Theta, O-Club and Math Club.

Next year Jim plans to at-

tend either the University of Nebraska or Creighton University to study medicine.

Iretha does volunteer work

Iretha Langford, a junior, has given over 1000 hours of service in volunteer work. Iretha was nominated by Mrs. Bertha Myers.

Iretha is co-chairman of the student committee of the United Community Service. She is one of the sectional representatives for the Central Red Cross Club. Last year Iretha was chosen as Student Volunteer of the Year.

She has worked at the Carter Lake Community Library and at the Head Start project at Kellom School. She was a volunteer at Methodist, St. Joseph's, and Booth hospitals.

Iretha is a member of Red Cross Club, French Club, Math Club and Future Physicians. She plans a career in the field of medicine as a doctor or a pharmacist.

DECA goes to state

The Second Annual DECA Regional Conference was held November 21, 22, and 23. Thirteen states participated. The Central delegates left Friday after School and spent Friday night, Saturday and Sunday morning at the Leadership Conference.

DECA delegates and officers

CHS delegates to the state delagte assembly were Robert Jedlicka, Anita Lemme and Diane Paces. The state meeting was held October 17th and 18th in Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

CHS DECA officers are: Robert Jedicka, president; Leslie Babender, vice president; Anita Lemme, secretary; Diane Paces, treasurer; Denise Cooks, reporter; and Fred Bruce, Parliamentarian.

Dr. G. E. Moller was the guest speaker. He talked about the advantages of taking vocational training whether or not a student plans on taking a full time job after high school graduation.

Other guests were Miss Mildred Blair, supervisor of business and distributive education for the Omaha schools, Mr. Merle Gier, supervisor of business and distributive education for the Omaha schools, and Mr. Richard Kunl, head of the business department at Central. Mrs. Bertha Myers and Miss Josephine Valasek, the girl's counselors, were also present.

DECA organization

The Central High School branch of DECA, Distributive Education Clubs of America, was started in September. The purpose of the club is to promote leadership among the members, to provide wider contacts with businessmen, to develop competence in handling social situations encountered in business activities, and to provide opportunity for involvement in civic activities.

DECA members gain selling experience through their fundraising campaigns. Students select merchandise which they sell in a coordinated campaign of personal selling, advertising, and display.

Members organize social activities and attend state, regional, and national DECA leadership assemblies. They attend the city-wide Employee-Employer Banquet where senior members invite their employers to dinner.

Instructors lecture business classes, present plan of banking by phone

Several classes in the CHS Business Education Department were treated to an unusual demonstration of telephone potential for the future on Friday, November 21. Mr. Dick Selinger and Mr. Ron Nemer, educational instructors for Northwestern Bell, gave presentations using a telephone linked up with a central computer.

Homework by computer

The instructors demonstrated the vocabulary and the mathematical capabilities of the hook-up. Mr. Nemer stated that "Students in parochial schools in Brooklyn, New York are using the computer from their homes at night." He noted that these students, though relieved of the actual solving of their math problems, were learning to set up equations for the computer.

Banking by telephone

The focal point of the presentation was a demonstration of "banking-by-telephone" processes. Mr. Nemer noted that the use of this process will lead Americans into the "checkless society", where all bills and monetary transactions will be handled over the telephone through

a computer.

The instructors commented that a person will be able to obtain money through this system at times when banks are closed. The computer can give the exact amount of money in the person's account and handle any transfers of money almost instantaneously, regardless of the time of day or night of the week.

Mr. Nemer said that the system is being developed in order to solve the problem of "too many checks being written." However, he reassured the students that, "We're not going to eliminate cash. This is only going to eliminate the need for checks."

Charge cards become prevalent

When asked about present-day signals pointing to the era of "the checkless society," the instructor remarked that the use of charge cards with very wide varieties of uses and the ever-growing interchange of information between banks both are forerunners of the new era. Some businesses are now using the service.

Aides add varied interest

Mr. Phillip (Mike) Seuberling and Mr. George Tailor are both security aides at Central with unique backgrounds and activities. Both of these men came to Omaha through the Air Force, although they are both originally from the East.

Mr. Seuberling, from Coco Beach, Florida, graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha with a B.S. in criminology and law enforcement.

Judo and karate enthusiast

His hobbies include judo and karate. He currently holds the ranks of black belt second degree in judo and brown belt first degree in karate. Mr. Seuberling is now teaching classes in judo.

In explaining the difference between judo and karate, Mr. Seuberling said, "judo is falls and grappling; the other (karate) is striking." He also stated that "karate" means empty-handed.

The highest ranking non-Japanese in judo is a black belt sixth degree. In order to be promoted, one must participate in a competition in front listed when he was 18. Since then, he has served of a promotion board. Points are awarded to the lower ranked contestant if he defeats his opponent.

Twenty years of service

Mr. Tailor had served through three wars and been in the Air Force for 20 years before his retirement. He was in the position of supply supervisor when he retired completely from the Air Force this summer.

Mr. Tailor, of Charlotte, North Carolina, enlisted when he was 18. Since then, he has served in Hawaii, Guam, Japan and France, and visited Spain, Germany, and England.

Attending Johnson C. Smith College in North Carolina for three years as a pre-law student, and working for five years as a salesman are only two of the jobs which Mr. Tailor undertook before finishing his 20 years of service.

"As a supply supervisor, it was my duty to be in charge of all parts of aircrafts and to issue and to store ammunition, including nuclear weapons," said Mr. Tailor.

He also defended the anti-ballistic missile system by stating, "... power keeps us free. If we didn't have the power to protect ourselves, we'd lose it overnight. All that this nation receives is a 15 minute warning of when a nuclear warhead launched in Russia will reach here."



Photo by Hood

Mr. Tailor and Mr. Seuberling are presently working as security aides at Central.



Photo by Mints

Jean and Mark are involved in community activities.

CHS Profile

Dunn and Fleisher, active in politics

by Karen Smith

Two CHS students who are politically active are Jean Dunn and Mark Fleisher. Both are supporters of the Viet Nam Moratorium and the grape boycott.

Interest in human relations

Jean devotes much of her political efforts toward improving human relations. She said that "hearing Mr. Ernest Chambers exposed me to a totally different view of the society, especially of the white races."

As president of Human Relations Club, Jean stated "We want to really make an impression of some kind on the school—possibly a change for the better in human relations."

As a member of the Inner City Players, Jean remarked that the organization "has given me an opportunity to

meet kids from across the state. We work to change some of the attitudes they've grown up with, the stereotyped viewpoints."

She is also a member of A Cappella Choir and a feature editor for the Register.

Looking ahead to next year, Jean wants to attend either Antioch College in Ohio or Goddard College in Vermont. "I'm interested in them because they both have work programs, combining academic studies with experience in a real job situation," she explained.

Education reform is Jean's choice for a career "because of my experience with human relations and my experience with the Omaha Public Schools."

Weariness of war

Mark explained his purpose for supporting the Moratorium when he said, "I'm getting tired of the war and this is my way of showing it. I'm against the Viet Nam War as it stands now."

When asked what the Moratorium would accomplish, Mark replied, "If anything, it will

show the rest of the nation that the youth of America are a political faction that must be dealt with." He added, "Our efforts should be concentrated on showing the President and others that this is a large part of the American people that is sick and tired of this war."

His solution for the war is a withdrawal "not like immediately, one day or the next, but more quickly than what Nixon is doing now. I think the Vietnamese people should fight their own war."

Blues music is one of Mark's current interests. He prefers listening to the black blues artists and songs that are 50 to 60 years old, as well as some old rock and roll records because he feels they have a truer sound without as much electrical sound as is found in modern music.

Some of Mark's other interests are drama, radio broadcasting, black history and political science. Next year Mark plans to attend Roosevelt University in Chicago to prepare for a career as a secondary school teacher.

Barb's Barbs

Mr. Watson, economics teacher, is keeping his classes well informed about the next project scheduled at Cape Kennedy. He claims the astronauts will be accompanied by cattle on the upcoming moon flight. "This will be the first herd shot around the world," explains Mr. Watson.

One can be a little skeptical

Letter to the editor

Students view on dress code

Dear Editor:

What is the function of a school? To educate students so they become worthy citizens, or to moralize students on ethics and appearance?

I was always told that the family handled the personal qualities of an individual, and the school was a bridge between individuals and society.

Are our schools bridges or correctional institutions? Do I come to school to learn social studies, math, and science; or do I come to school to learn what is "proper" in society?

There are two schools here at Central - the classrooms and the halls. Which is more important, that I be a walking beautiful person with every part of me socially accepted, or a walking moron who has gained intellect and who can go out and be a positive factor in society?

A committee on the dress code has been formed here at Central. It is an affiliate of the Human Relations Club. We feel it is time for revision of Central's dress code. We feel Central can be a leader in the Omaha School District.

We would like reform on boys' hair length and mustaches regulations. This would be possible through parental approval. We would also like girls to be able to wear slacks.

Too many students and teachers take a passivist attitude. "I agree, but I doubt if change is possible," is a common reply. These reforms are just now coming to the Midwest. They have been in the West and East for two years.

Students and faculty support is needed in order to obtain our goals. Discuss it with your teachers.

Dennis Cleasby

Chairman of the Dress Code Committee

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Student Council lacks representation of students

What is the purpose of Student Council? How is Student Council accomplishing this purpose? What can be done to better Student Council? During the past three weeks, I have been pursuing answers to these questions from students, administrators, and Student Council members.

To begin with, it would be easy for anyone to criticize the Student Council. But the Student Council doesn't need criticism, they need suggestions as to how they may become more efficient toward their aims. Our Student Council is by no means perfect, and the members admit it. However, it seems that they should be doing more than they are. Most students had definite ideas as to what a student council should do. The most frequently given purpose of council was "to represent the student body." But how does our Student Council go about representing the entire student body?

This is probably the first pitfall of Student Council. It isn't representative of the student body. The members are basically selected on a popularity contest format. This is detrimental toward having a council which is representative of the student body. As of now, there are only 15 members on Student Council.

In order to deal with this problem of representation, I have three plans. The first deals with elections of candidates. Perhaps it would be more realistic if Student Council representatives were elected from their junior high classmates that entered Central. That is, that all those students who entered Central from Norris, for example, would elect representatives from among themselves. There would have to be some realistic apportionment of the number of representatives chosen from each group.

Another plan toward better student representation would be the re-establishment of homeroom representatives. But this time, I would argue that the purpose of the homeroom representatives would be only to discuss school policies and school problems. Its main function would be to act as a sounding board. If one particular subject, such as a new dress code, has enough sup-

port among the representatives, then this subject or plan should be brought to the attention of the Student Council. A president and vice-president should be elected among the representatives. These two could participate in the Student Council meetings, and insure the fact that Student Council knew what was being discussed by the homeroom representatives.

A third idea would be for the principal to appoint a few persons to serve on Student Council. By appointing a few responsible and active students to serve on council, the principal would insure that there would be some activity on Student Council. Also, since it requires at least a majority to pass any idea, these appointed members would be over-ruled in number by the elected members.

Today, our Student Council is making an effort to let the students air their wants. By hosting the student forum, which was Dr. G. E. Moller's idea, the council permits students to talk to members of the Student Council and the administration. Student Council also publishes their minutes on the bulletin board by the office, and has a column in the paper. But even more should and could be done.

If the Student Council were to have a designated time and place, such as before school in the large auditorium every Wednesday, at which three or so council members would be present, students could present their wants and problems directly to the council. This would help toward making Student Council representative of people, rather than some abstract cause.

Our Student Council is doing an ineffectual job. It does not represent the student body. The only way that any student council is going to be representative of the students is if the students become active in letting the student council know their desires. Anyone having a suggestion for a new method of election of our Student Council, or an idea as to the improvement of Student Council should either personally present it or write it in. Remember, it is only through the students that Student Council can become effective.

D. David Slosburg

Superfluous Survey

Survey crew unrolls ribbon for new uses

Hello again, survey lovers! For your information and entertainment in this special Thanksgiving issue, the Superfluous Survey crew has gone to an enormous amount of work in unrolling and measuring little rolls of ribbon to be found around CHS in the form of typewriter ribbons.

A close check of various rooms around the building discloses the fact that there are 124 typewriters at Central High. It has been calculated that the use of each typewriter consumes five ribbons per year at 34 feet per ribbon. This brings us to a grand total of 21,080 feet of ribbon in use per year.

Perhaps many of you do not realize that there are other uses for typewriter ribbons aside

from that of use in typing. For all of you skeptics, the survey crew wishes to inform you that approximately 4,360 Thanksgiving turkeys could be stuffed with Central's annual quota of ribbon. Interesting, yes - tasty, no.

Another timely use of the ribbons would be on moratorium duty. Allowing a one foot ribbon for each protester's arm, the ribbons would mark the limbs of 21,080 protesters. (Red, white, and blue typewriter ribbons are presently being manufactured for the use of the Great Silent Majority.)

Noting that the Elmwood Park Ravine has approximate dimensions of 300 by 600 by 20 feet, the Superfluous Survey crew found that our faithful

ribbons could be sewn together to form a sheet of wrapping paper approximately big enough to cover the ravine. The surprise package could then be presented to the University of Nebraska at Omaha as a present from Central High. It is to be hoped that Mayor Leahy would appreciate the thoughtfulness of the CHS student body.

One final use for the superfluous ribbons at CHS would be as the essential ingredients of a ticker-tape parade for Central's upcoming basketball team in the hopes that this team's season will be more successful than that of the hardworking football squad.

And so, survey lovers, we must once again bid you farewell. Until next time - keep counting!

Omaha restriction on movies needs revision; arguments for removing ban

Nowadays planning an evening's entertainment is much more complicated than it used to be. After deciding to see a movie, a quick look at your Movie Clock will reveal to you a variety of letters which must be decoded before your decision can be made. In addition, Omaha has its own special movie ban. This editorial will investigate several arguments against retaining Omaha's restriction on certain movies to age 18 or above.

First, and perhaps most important, you should be aware that the nationwide restriction on movies rated R applies to those under 16 years of age. Why are Omaha teens considered less mature than teens across the country? At the beginning of every movie rated R, a written statement says that the film is restricted to those under 16 years of age.

The value of forbidding a 17½-year-old Omahan to see such a movie is questionable at best. A teen may see a movie in another city and be restricted from seeing that movie again upon returning to Omaha. Such a rule may well seem pointless.

A second argument against retaining this ban also suggests the artificiality of such a law. For instance, a 17-year-old may see a movie rated for a

mature audience, but, in doing so, he may sit through the "coming attractions" of a movie rated R. "Coming attractions" for such movies usually concentrate on interesting the audience by showing the exact scenes which cause the movie to be restricted.

In other words, a 17-year-old attending an un-restricted movie may nevertheless see the most extreme scenes from a movie that he is not allowed to see. In view of this discrepancy, what difference can it make if this same individual is forbidden to see an R-rated movie?

Thirdly, a rule such as Omaha's restriction on movies invites a general disrespect and disregard for the law. Two ways are used for circumventing this law. First, often movie theaters simply do not check theatergoers. In other words, sometimes the law is enforced; sometimes it is not enforced.

Also, many teens simply borrow a friend's identification or fake one of their own. Certainly, any law which seems unreasonable and unfair enough in its enforcement to encourage persons in large numbers to break the law should be reconsidered by officials.

Fourthly, often the "over 18" restriction is used as

an attention-getting device by movie theaters. As soon as a movie is rated R or X, interest in seeing the movie is rapidly increased. Everyone has to go and see for themselves why the particular film is restricted.

Finally, going to movie theaters is often the chief destination of a date. Often the only movies in town left for a teen to see are those which are rated R. Is it more wholesome to be refused admittance to a movie and drive around all night rather than sitting in a theater to watch a movie with five minutes of objectionable scenes?

This editorial raises five arguments against the retention of the movie restriction to those over 18. As this law is both inconsistent and unjustified, a removal of which are being shown today seem corrupting and obscene, the best channel to work through would seem such a ban should be considered. However, if the films to be an elimination of such movies rather than an unrealistic restriction on them. A re-evaluation of film production should be made. Concerned individuals should direct their attention toward the movie industry not toward the audience.

Joan Faier

Jorgensen announces managers

From a highly recommended group of twenty-four students, ten people have been selected for Road Show Managers. Mr. Jorgensen had originally planned on the selection of only eight students but because of the tremendous credentials presented, and the overall recommendations from the faculty, ten were selected. Mr. Jorgensen said that any or all of the applicants would have made fine managers. The following then, are the Managers for the 1970 Road Show.

Sue Anderson has been in band three years. A Cappella one year, participated in the All-City Festival in 1969, and has been the accompanist for various vocal groups the past three years. Sue is a member of the Inter-American Club and was secretary last year and is presently vice-president. She is a member of F.T.A., Girl's Outdoor Club, and highly active in her church. Sue has studied piano for nine years, flute for seven, and participated in the Young Artists Concert. She was also a member of the Junior Honor Society.

Patti Couch has been a member of the band for four years, orchestra three years, dance band four years, A Capella one year, drum majorette one year, pit orchestra three years, and swing choir for two years. Patti composed the music for last year's fall and spring plays. She was in charge of all music for the '69 Road Show. She also is a salaried employee for both the City Parks and Recreation Cultural Arts Department and the Omaha Civic Ballet Academy. She has studied piano eleven years and oboe for two. She was this year's accompanist and musical coordinator of this year's production of "Pajama Game." Patti is also a National Merit Commended Student.

Mark Erikson has been a member of the band for three years, dance band for two years, and wind ensemble for two years. He is a member of the Central High Players. He has been a member of the stage crew for two years and is the lighting technician. This includes providing for all sound systems for all shows in the past two years. Mark has performed in several dramas sponsored by his church. He was in charge of the entire food operation at his church camp last summer. Mark is a member of the Junior Achievement Company sponsored by KMTV, Tee-Vee III Productions. He has been nominated treasurer of the company.

Ronald Fellman has been a member of the band for three years. He is an active member of the United Synagogue Youth. Ron has served as both treasurer and president of the U.S.Y. Ron's forte is business as he is a member of Entrepreneurs, serving this year as president. Among his other duties, Ron is business manager for the Central High Register.

Dan Grossman has been a member of the orchestra for three years, pit orchestra for three years, and participated in the Road Show for three years. He is a National Merit Semi-finalist and was a Boy's State delegate. Dan has played clarinet for eight years. He attended the Democratic National Convention for the Hugh O'Brien Foundation. Dan is the Nebraska state tennis

champion. His class rank is 3. Dan has received straight 1's and has an over-all grade point average of 4.52.

David Ogden has participated in band and pep band for three years at Central. He was also in the wind ensemble last year as well as All-City Band. He is an active member of the Central High Human Relations Club. Dave has been a member of the Junior Honor Society for the past two years. He is also a member of the German Club. Dave is presently one of the feature editors of the Register staff. He is an Eagle Scout and is active in the Order of the Arrow. Dave has been a counselor at the Hummel Park Natural Science Day Camp which is operated by the Omaha Parks and Recreation Department. Last summer Dave traveled with nine other American students to Austria where he lived with a native family.

David Polson has been a member of the band for three years. He also has been an active member of the dance band and is presently the leader. He has participated in the Road Show for three years and has been a member of the pit orchestra for three years. Dave was first chair alto sax in both his sophomore and junior years in All-City band. This year Dave was selected as Drum Major for the marching band.

Janet Schmidt has participated in both band and orchestra for the past four years. She has participated in the Road Show for three years. She is a member of the Town and Gown Orchestra held at U.N.O. She has played in Pit Orchestra for three years and this year was selected to play First Horn in the Nebraska All-State Orchestra. Janet is also a member of the Omaha Youth Orchestra.

David Slosburg has played in orchestra for two years and band for one year. He has been involved in the Road Show for the past three years. Dave has a grade point average of 4.1. He was treasurer of the French Club last year and also a member of the Math Club and Mu Alpha Theta. Dave is a member of Dr. Moller's discussion group and was homeroom representative his junior year. David is presently the executive editor of the Central High Register. He has also been a member of the tennis team for the past three years.

Judy Zaiman has been a member of the band for three years. Judy has participated in All-City band for two years. She also belongs to the National Piano Guild. She has participated in her church and Sunday school groups and was piano accompanist for "America Can Do" put on by the Parks and Recreation Department. Judy is a Commended Student on the National Merit Scholarship Program. She was a member of the Junior Honor Society. Judy was Girl's State chairman of the nationalist party, representative to the Governor's Youth Council, and Cornhusker County Government Representative. Judy has also been Student Council Vice-President, Intra City student council, homeroom representative, Junior Classical League secretary, an Eaglette, president of Pep Club in Junior High, and a member of Dr. Moller's student discussion forum.



Sue Anderson



Patti Couch



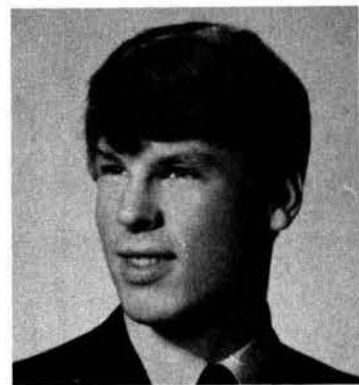
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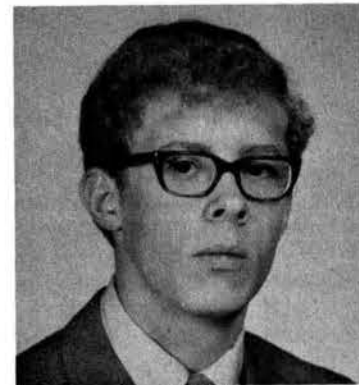
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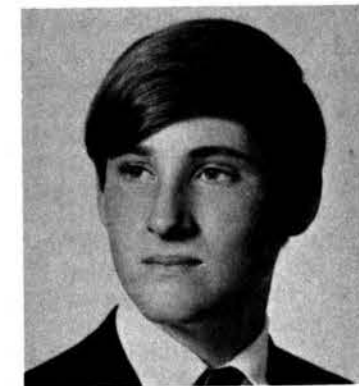
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Judy Zaiman

Stan Logan demonstrates his great leaping abilities, as he drives for the basket. From left to right:

Picture one shows Stan at the start of his drive.

Picture two captures his body fully extended, as he moves toward the basket.

Picture three shows Stan releasing the ball at the top of rim, as he makes his shot.

Picture four shows him following through with his shot.

Picture five captures Stan's final position. He is concentrating on the basket as he descends.



Photo by Hood
Arranged by Lubetkin

Athletes' Feats

by Andy Lubetkin,
Sports Editor



A star is born

Last Monday, when the bowls were announcing the teams that they had invited, Dave Slosburg and I stopped in our assistant principal's office, where we found Mr. Anthony LaGreca hard at work. We were trying to call the **World-Herald** to see if any bowl bids had been taken. Of course, at the time neither of us had a dime, so we asked Mr. LaGreca if he'd let us use his phone. He agreed, but we found that no one had accepted any of the bids.

We were just leaving when Mr. Pierson happened to mention that Mr. LaGreca was in a bowl game. To that Mr. LaGreca replied, "I played ball for Tulsa in 1946 in my freshman year. They put me at end and halfback. We had a pretty good team. Tulsa beat the Southwest Conference Champs, the Big Eight Champs (Kansas), and lost to a highly rated Indiana team by a fluke touch-down."

After that touching speech, David and I were thinking of the Orange or Sugar Bowls, but to our surprise, Mr. LaGreca told us, "We played in the Oil Bowl." The Oil Bowl was located in Houston, Texas.

Tulsa falls to Georgia Tech

Tulsa played Georgia Tech that year and lost. Georgia Tech had a halfback named Charlie Trippi, who later turned out to be one of the greatest early pros.

At the conclusion of that season, Mr. LaGreca decided not to return. He told me, with tears in his eyes, "They canned me after that game."

By the way, if you do not remember the Oil Bowl, it is called the Blue Bonnet Bowl today. Auburn will play Houston this year.

Vincentini takes honor

Eagle fullback Tom Vincentini is Central's lone member of the All-Metro football team. He was elected by the local

press and local national affiliates.

Tom is certainly deserving of the honor. During the season he was voted "player of the week" (North game), led our ground game, and played hard-nose defense.

Winter is coming

Now that the fall athletic season is over, everyone is looking on to the upcoming winter sports. These include basketball, wrestling, and swimming.

Basketball is promising

With only Calvin Forrest returning from last year's starting five, Coach James Martin will have to work hard. There is no doubt that the team will have great material. I think Martin's biggest problem will be experience. He will need time to put some experience in his team.

I am confident that Coach Martin can do an admirable job. Martin told me, "I am very optimistic. If the boys can play good defense, use their scoring potential, and perfect a good fast break we will be hard to beat."

Wrestling is strong

This year's squad should be a good one. Tony Ross, will be missed, but Tom Vincentini, George Thompson, and Jerry Lloyd will fill the gap.

The team has lots of depth. With their fine coach, Mr. James Bond, the team should have a successful season.

Tankmen Begin

The Central swim team will depend on its lettermen. Two people to be looking for will be Doug Gillan and Mike Sramek. Both have shown that they have good potential.

The team seems to have plenty of talent and seasoned swimmers. These two qualities should provide for a good swim team. Coach Frank Hanel replied, "We'll be over .500."

Girl gymnasts win

Four Central girls attended a local gymnastics meet held at Burke High School on Saturday, November 8. Centralites participating were Joyce Riley, Becky Graffs, Jodi Test, and Linda Jacobsen. Each of the four girls placed in one or more events.

Joyce received a second place rating in both the 11th grade trampoline competition and the 11th and 12th grade uneven bars contest. Becky was rated second in both the 10th grade tumbling and trampoline contests.

Jody placed fourth in 10th grade balance beam competition, while Linda was rated fifth in the 10th grade vaulting match. Seven places were awarded in each contest. All Omaha high schools and junior highs were invited to the event.

Miss Joyce Morris, girls' gymnastics coach, noted that all of the girls worked very hard in preparation for the event. She said, "I was very proud of their performance and of their representation of Central."

Miss Morris also noted that the upcoming freshman and sophomores are doing well. "I expect an even better team next year," she commented.

The Score Sheet

GAMES	(1)	(2)	(3)
Central vs. North	—	N 4	N 10
A.L. vs. Burke	B 10	B 6	B 8
Bellevue vs T.J.	T.J. 14	B 12	B 6
Benson vs. Boys Town	B.T. 7	B.T. 8	B.T. 7
South vs. Ryan	S 5	S 12	S 8
Prep vs. Rummel	P 12	P 14	P 14
Tech vs. St. Alberts	T 11	T 6	T 16
Iowa vs. So. Illinois	S.I. 1	I 10	S.I. 6
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Cagers are optimistic

On November 17, 120 anxious potential basketball players took part in this year's try outs. The players were divided into groups according to the alphabet and their grade level. Each group was allowed a specified length of time in which to engage with their peers in competitive combat. By the end of the second day the first cut had been made and the remaining survivors were permitted to continue on in what will become Central's hope for the '69-'70 season.

One starter back

With only one returning letterman, Calvin Forrest, Central has been rated as only a possible threat in this year's competition. However, on the basis of past performances, Forrest might be all the cagers need to spur them to a victorious season.

Forrest's highest single game outputs came during the '68-'69 playoffs. He made 21 rebounds in the district tournaments against Bellevue and 23 rebounds in the state meet against Westside.

Aiding Forrest will be Stan Logan and Marvin Moss. Both Logan and Moss saw action last year and should help provide the team with

leadership. Also, both were among the top scorers on the junior varsity and should offer a large amount of assistance in the scoring department. In previous action Moss has had a habit of getting "hot" whenever points were needed and in setting up the fast break.

Additional speed and outside shooting could come from Tim Williams and Tavon Briggs. Other potential starters are Radley Clemens, Jim Crew, Keith Kemble, Rick Lein, Mark Liekus, Greg Peck, and Carlos Dillard.

According to Coach James Martin, this year's team will be a slower, more deliberate one because of the lack of experience and great speed. He plans for the most part to have a paternal team that will try to work the ball in.

The coach hopes that one of the big assets to the team will be the ability of center Calvin Forrest to take advantage of the three-point play, which consist of a shot, a foul, and a free throw. When asked about the coming game against North, which is expected to be one top team in Metro, he had this to say, "I see it as a tough ball game with a lot of tough contact."

Gym men conclude season

It's that time of the year again, when one sport has to move out of the way to make room for another. Such is the case with gymnastics. As the gym men bow out of the spotlight for the last time this year, attention turns towards winter sports: basketball, swimming, and wrestling. However, no one will forget the impressive record left behind them.

Review of the season

Central's 1969 gymnastic team seemed to have only one goal in mind as they started off their season; winning. With over half the roster lettered, the Eagles appeared to have a very promising team. Although Coach Brian Watson complained of the lack of time to prepare he said, "We have an excellent chance to finish among the leaders."

Within two weeks his hopes were confirmed as the Eagles compiled a 3-1 record by defeating Tech, Burke, and Benson. The one loss was suffered against South in a hard-fought match.

From there the gym men went on to establish themselves as contenders for their division. After losing to the Vikings from North, they rallied to a 5-2 record by rolling over Bellevue and Abraham Lincoln.

By this time the only obstacle in the path of Central's gymnastics squad was Creighton Prep's Gene Mackie. Coach Watson, in his usual cautious manner, had this to say about the upcoming meet against Prep, "It could be a close one, then again it couldn't." Team captain, Ken Vorhies, was a bit more confident as he said, "If our guys hit their routines, it will be close." The result of the meet was Prep 68½, Central 41½.

The last test for the Eagles was against Boys Town. The result of this meet was 67 to 43 in favor of Central.

With the preliminaries of the year out of the way, the next steps for Central's gym men were Metro and District. Prep, led by Gene Mackie took first place in the metro tournament. Following close behind were Benson, second; North, third;

South, fourth; Bellevue, fifth, and Central, sixth. In district Prep once again emerged victorious with 104½ points. The Eagles, spurred on by their team captain, Ken Vorhies, took fifth place with 40 points.

Eagles performance at state

November 14 and 15 were the dates of the Nebraska high school gymnastics tournament in Lincoln. This is the meet towards which the entire seasons work had been geared. Team member Gabe Scott had this to say about state. "It's not just another meet. It's what you work for all year. When you make it to state, you've reached the top as far as high school competition goes. There's just no where else to go."

The Eagles once again qualified four gymnasts for the finals. They were Ken Vorhies, Gabe Scott, Rick Weiner, and Fred Genovesi. However, only Vorhies was able to place, taking sixth in tumbling and tenth on the trampoline. As a result Central finished fifteenth out of nineteen teams with six points. Lincoln Northeast took first place with 71 points to displace Lincoln Southeast as the reigning champions. North Platte racked up 62½ points to take the second place title. Other teams placing in the top five were Lincoln East, third; Omaha Creighton Prep, fourth; and Lincoln High, fifth.

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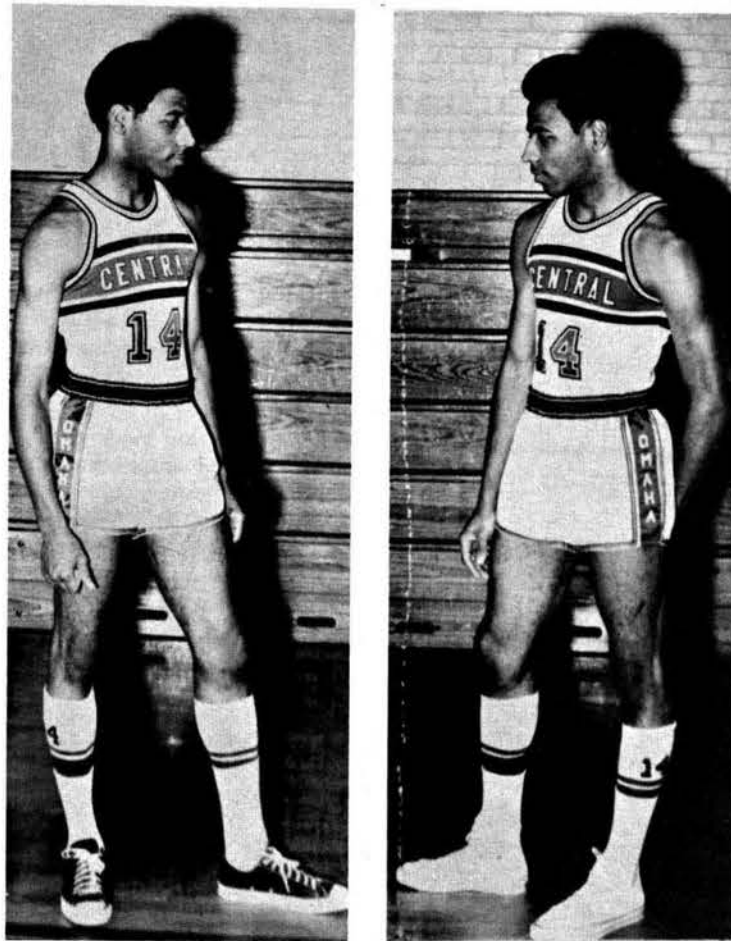


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Questionnaire

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Centralites visit circus, become a part of "greatest show on earth"

Central High students are always getting into the act. When the circus recently came to Omaha promising "the greatest show on earth," a few Centralites were determined to get in on the excitement.

After watching Thursday night's circus performance, Debbie Roach, Jo Henry, Kathy Williams, Debbie Corbin, Mike Hill, and John Matthews decided to wait around and see if they could talk with and get autographs from the performers. The students were told to come back the next day to get an interview.

The group talked to the public relations man, the dog trainer, the clowns and many others of

the circus world Friday. They were particularly impressed by the friendliness of the circus people. "They were just one big family, and I wanted to be part of it," explained John Matthews.

The boys did have a chance to join the action. While watching the clowns apply their make-up, Ray the Clown asked them, "Would you like to try?" At first John and Mike shied away, but their curiosity got the best of them.

Ray told the boys that if they returned later that day, Corky the Clown would put on their make-up, and they could be clowns for that evening's performance. Kathy also wanted to be a clown, but Ray told

her that being a clown was mostly a man's job.

The group returned that evening, and Corky made up the boys as white-faced clowns. Every clown, though, has a different face. There were no rehearsals for John and Mike.

They went out into the ring four times, and the head clown gave them directions. They also went into the audience and gave the kids balloons.

John pointed out that, "Most people think a clown is just silly. But these circus people are really devoted. In fact, to become a true clown you would have to go to clown school for six weeks to study acrobatics and clowning."

John has no intention of becoming a clown, although he admits that the salary is quite good—\$150 a week and up. Mike said that he wouldn't mind being a clown, "It was fun!"

All the world loves a clown, and Mike and John loved being clowns.



Makeup crew member applies a clown face. Photo by Hood

Debaters take top honors

Central debaters received two first place four-man team trophies at the Notre Dame Hill-topper Tournament on November 21 and 22. The four-man team of Mike Rips, Annette Loch, Bennet Rodick, and Debbie Simon was the winner of the trophy in the novice division. The team of Jim Lehr, Barb Guss, Jim Kirshenbaum, and Joan Faier won the first place trophy for the varsity division.

After compiling a 7-0 record, Debbie Simon and Bennet Rodick won the first place two-man team trophy at the same tournament. With a 6-1 record the team of Joan Faier and Jim Kirshenbaum claimed the varsity second place trophy.

won a third place trophy. Fourth place in the varsity division was captured by the team of Jim Lehr, Barb Guss, Jim Kirshenbaum, and Joan Faier. Mike Rips and Annette Loch, Ron Myerson and Jon Kile; Barb Guss and Jim Lehr; and Debbie Simon and Greg Wees all received certificates for being undefeated during the Invitational Tournament on November 15, the novice team of Mike Rips, Annette Loch, Bennet Rodick, and Larry Williams tournament.

Mr. Arnold Weintraub, Central's debate coach, commenting after his debaters' success at the past tournament, said, "I'm very confident that we're going to have a winning year."

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