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## January Seniors Receive Diplomas

Thirty-four Central seniors received diplomas as the end of the first semester on completing their required 32 credits for graduation. Of that number, 20 are boys, and 14 are girls.

Graduates who received diplomas are Emil Ambrose, Jack Chapman, Lewis Cimino, Ellsworth Devereaux, Harry Fellman, Sam Gendler, John Giangreco, Ethel Graham, Allen Grove, David Jones, Kenneth Lorenzen, Howard Lowery, S. Eugene Owen, Joseph Ratliff, Robert Selden, George Stathas, Wally Van Houghton, Howard Johnson, Jack McArthur, and Dean Hatfield.

Others are Marie Anderson, Norma Axelsson, Joyce Blair, June Dokuhl, Ruth Fiala, Margaret Johnson, Joan Kinder, Roberta Longmire, Norma Jane Percival, Lucille Sgroi, Ophelia Story, Maude Talbitzer, Anne Watson, and Leota Levison.

## Remember Pearl Harbor And You'll Be Sure To Buy Defense Bonds

## Teachers

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of a series of articles explaining the financial situation of the Omaha schools.

In our first article, we attempted to show that mainly because of the 29 per cent reduction in tax valuations, plus large payments for bonded indebtedness, the school board has not had enough money to operate Omaha schools efficiently.

This reduction in school revenue has necessitated serious retrenchments in the school program in the past ten years. What has it meant to the student in school? How does it affect you?

### School Year Reduced

The school year was reduced from 38 to 36 weeks in 1932-33; at the same time, kindergarten sessions were reduced from a full to a half day. The number of elementary school principals has been cut. Twenty schools now have only half a principal.

The school board admits that many school buildings are improperly maintained, so that they are not only detrimental to health, but also dangerous to the student's safety.

A number of worn out roofs should be replaced. Floors and stairways in some of the older sections of build-

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FIVE CENTS

## O-Book Receipts Pass Thousand Mark As Twelve Day Drive Assures Annual



Here is the O-Book staff for 1942. Left to right, top row: Al Pattivina, Charles Rosenstock, Margaret Hughes, Stuart Borg, Gisa Neuhaus, Barton Greenberg, Bob Frankin. Bottom row: Ruth Trachtenborg, June Veber, Lucille Perelman, Darlene Heinlen, Jan McConnelee, and Barbara Bussing.

## Central High Road Show in 1914 Started Annual Tradition of Splendid Programs

Under the direction of Mrs. Elsie Howe Swanson, plans for the twenty-eighth annual Road Show are well under way. If this year's performance repeats the success of former years, Central students are assured the tops in vaudeville entertainment.

The Road Show has been produced annually, through thick and thin, since its initial performance in 1914. Through censoring of acts, snow storms that cut attendance, changes in direction and production, and a transfer to Tech auditorium for one year's performance, the high standard of amusement has been maintained.

### Called 'Daring'

The Road Show of many years ago, before the Register had become a weekly paper, were not nearly as "daring" as they are now. Members of the faculty were shocked at the boldness of an act in the first Road Show in which two girls were dressed as a Dutch couple. The objection was evidently based on the fact that one of the girls represented a man.

For the first 24 years, until 1938, the regiment managed the Road Show, taking charge of sales and receiving most of the profits. The president of the Cadet Officers' club was usually student manager during that time. The regiment's contributions to the show generally consisted of a comedy and a tragedy in addition to the crack squad.

Director for the Road Show from 1915 to 1930 was Frank Gulgard. He was assisted by a faculty committee

which managed the show. Although several other teachers succeeded Mr. Gulgard as director, he was connected with the production until 1938.

### Tickets Went Like 'Hot Cakes'

The mother of Gay Follmer, literary editor of the Register, participated in the first all-girl act, which took place in the 1919 show. In this act, the girls wore black bloomers, sang and played guitars and violins. Since then, all-girl acts have become an integral part of the extravaganza.

A group of girls doing an interpretive dancing act caused quite a scandal in 1922. The Register reported that year that "tickets are going like hot cakes." Mothers and ministers protested against the act so strongly that Principal J. G. Masters and Miss Jessie Towne were forced to ban the act at the last minute. Apparently the only reason for the opposition was the fact that the girls danced in bare feet. As compensation, the girls were allowed to give the tabooed act at a private showing for the protesting mothers and ministers.

In 1923, a heavy snow stopped all transportation and cut attendance drastically, but the next year all the tickets for evening performances were gone by the fourth day of the sale, and the performance was a great success.

According to the Register in 1925 the performance of that year was "tremendous." The COC announced "blood drinking Hindus, hard-boiled women," and a special feature "Jazz a la Perfection."

In 1927 eighth grade students were

guests at a performance for the first time. A record breaking crowd attended the show the next year when a magician was featured.

In 1929, the show introduced a "blue singer—for the first time," and in 1930 a "Black Art" play, in which the characters appeared to be merely heads floating in the air.

In 1931 the present Central annex containing the gym and auditorium was under construction, and the production therefore was held in the Tech auditorium.

### Mrs. Swanson Takes Over

Mrs. Swanson's acts have included many large reviews, including Rainbow Revelries in 1929, Pleasure Bound, a fantasy on a make-believe ship in 1931, and Hello, Prosperity in 1933. In 1935 she directed the first finale, which was built around the crack squad, and since then has directed and produced that part of the show. Mrs. Swanson succeeded Miss Myrna Jones as director of the show in 1936.

Mrs. Jensen sponsored her first act in 1925, when girls represented the cover girls on current magazines. Since then, she has sponsored an act every year, many of them consisting of boys dressed as girls. In 1929, she featured a burlesque called "Hoopee," a revival of the Floradora.

In 1938 the management was turned over to a faculty committee headed by Mrs. Swanson. In that year, the compiling and publishing of the Road Show program was transferred from the military department to the journalism department.

## Students Gain Yearbook After Days of Crisis and Controversy

### Perelman Expresses Appreciation for Splendid Support Students Rendered

O-Book sales passed the 1,000 mark Wednesday.

So ended the days of crisis and controversy, days of arguments and pleas for purchase, and enthusiastic students parading through the halls, beating drums, and proclaiming for all to hear!

"We want an O-Book!"

From the very moment the word to begin the sale was given 12 days ago, there began an intensive sales campaign, headed by Lucille Perelman and Darlene Heinlen. For if 1,000 O-Books were not sold in twelve days — no O-Book.

Since circulars were distributed to all seniors, asking their opinion on a 1942 O-Book, there has raged a controversy that said on one side that in times of war there was no reason to spend money for a school annual, and on the other side that it was a school activity and an unbroken tradition.

## City-wide Youth to Rally February 22

### General Uhl to Highlight Entertainment at Central

Central High auditorium will be the site of Omaha's city-wide Youth and Democracy rally to be held this Sunday at 3 o'clock.

With Brigadier General Uhl, commander of the seventh corp area as the main speaker, the program will consist of music by the Central High band under the direction of Warren Watters; Negro spirituals by the gossypeteers, a Negro quartet; the South High choir; and a panel discussion of tolerance by a Jew, a Protestant, and a Catholic. Also on the program will be several addresses by youth speakers representing some of the various sponsored organizations. Among the youth speakers will be Gay Follmer and Muriel Goldberg of Central.

The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will be in charge of presenting the colors at the opening of the Rally and retiring them before the benediction which will be made at the close of the Rally by Dr. E. A. Rowsey, of the Dundee Presbyterian church.

With over two hundred similar meetings being held throughout the United States the week of February 15 to 22, H. M. Baldrige, prominent Omaha attorney and honorary chairman of the Rally, has expressed the belief that the Omaha meeting will be one of the largest in the country.

Being sponsored locally by 33 different youth organizations, the Rally is entering its third year locally and sixth year nationally.

The controversy gained some attention in the local newspaper, and for a time the certainty of a '42 annual seemed doubtful.

But once the actual sales were begun, students showed their desire for an annual and 1,000 copies were sold in the allotted time.

Circulation manager, Lucille Perelman and her assistants appreciate the splendid support of the student body. The homeroom representatives should receive special recognition for their work as salesmen. The new system of campaigning in the individual homerooms was initiated this year in an effort to cut the expense of contest prizes for general salesmen and to make sure that no one was overlooked.

### Shirley Miller Made Posters

Publicity for the drive was managed by Darlene Heinlen. The grim warning of what would happen to non O-Book purchasers was the theme of a promotion stunt to make every student aware of the drive. Jack Anderson, Jack Chesnut, Burt Olsen, and Ray Phares took part in this unique walking advertisement. Shirley Miller is responsible for the poster showing the gain in daily sales which was hung in the east hall to increase interest in the struggle to reach the 1,000 mark.

The O-Book staff, under the editorship of Margaret Hughes and Gisa Neuhaus, will begin publication work next week. Seniors should be recalling the activities in which they have participated during their high school careers as slips will be distributed in all senior homerooms Monday for the purpose of gathering this information.

### Borg Activities Chairman

With the completion of the staff organization Stuart Borg has been named chairman of the activities committee which has charge of the arranging of club pictures. Included in this group are Betty Compton, John Cottingham, Virginia Hefflinger, Jean Surface, and Rosemary Webb.

The honors committee headed by Barbara Bussing will arrange the pictures of the Junior Honor societies and the honorary clubs. She will be assisted by Maxine Chapin, Barbara Doud, Mary Jean Fisher, Regina Hoyer, and Lois Middleton.

Last week several Omaha studios displayed samples of their photography in the east hall show case for the benefit of the seniors. All Senior O-Book pictures must be taken before February 27.

O-Books may still be secured in the Register office for \$1.25 with or without a Student Association ticket.

### Shorthand Classes at Work

On Saturday, February 14, students in Mrs. Edna Dana's Shorthand IV class acted as secretaries for the afternoon session of the Regional Vocational Guidance conference held at Creighton university. Those who participated are Arda Allen, Gene McLoud, Shirlee Weiner, Jeanne Weaver, and Betty Williams.

## Trustin Appointed to West Point Academy

### Stanford Smith '41 Gets Annapolis Nomination

Yale Trustin '42 and Stan Smith '41 were notified recently that they have been appointed by Representative Charles F. McLaughlin to West Point and Annapolis, respectively.

Yale is a captain in the battalion and has been an honor roll student for four years. He received letters of recommendation from Principal Hill, Sergeant Wyatt, and several Omaha business men.

On March 3, at Fort Omaha, Yale will take physical, mental, and scholastic exams. He must take three exams of three hours each covering his high school work on English, math, and history.

Stan, a member of last year's National Honor society, is a freshman at the University of Nebraska and member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He will take a similar eligibility test.

If the boys fail to pass the exams, the appointment will be given to an alternate. James Duffy, colonel of the regiment in 1939, is one of the alternates. He is stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

## Pupils

size. There are now 28 students for every teacher in Omaha, and even more pupils will be added as national defense brings additional families to Omaha.

All of these retrenchments are still in effect.

### Slashed Pay 25 Per Cent

The school board made its greatest reduction in overhead by slashing employees' salaries 25 per cent. The teachers accepted the cut cheerfully because of depression times. They were promised a restoration as soon as times improved. Now, because of increased taxes and the high costs of living, the teachers must have at least part of those cuts restored.

Students are also affected by the cuts in teachers' salaries, because the school district faces increasing difficulty to obtain qualified teachers. It is becoming difficult to hold the able teachers we now enjoy. Many teachers and other employees are leaving for much better pay elsewhere. To avoid paying even the present low salaries, the district is forced to use an increasing number of substitute teachers (approximately 200 at present) on regular full-time assignments.

ings are so worn and cupped as to be hazardous.

Playgrounds, athletic fields, walks, and drives need repair to assure health and safety to pupils. Some months ago, a promising Tech High athlete died from injuries sustained while playing on his school field. The Board of Education was severely criticized at that time for the bad condition of the playing ground. Their only excuse was that there were insufficient funds to improve or repair the football field.

### Inadequate Light

Most of the children attending public schools in Omaha work at desks where the light is so inadequate as to be detrimental to their eye sight. One elementary school sold hot dogs to provide adequate lighting. Many schools do not have proper toilet or lavatory facilities. Paper towels, soap, and hot water are frequently not provided. Walls and ceilings in the older buildings—many of which are badly cracked and broken—are replastered only when an emergency confronts us.

Heating and ventilating equipment in many schools is deteriorating below a safety margin. Two city inspec-

tors only recently ordered five unlicensed steamplant engineers replaced, although George Adwers, school building superintendent, considered the unlicensed men "satisfactory from a safety standpoint." He said they were employed temporarily pending city examinations or until licensed men were found. Adwers admitted the "technical violations" but added, "Pay for school boiler engineers has been the lowest in town, making our jobs the last in the town a licensed man would consider."

Summer schools — which were formerly operated from school district funds—now operate entirely from fees paid by students. During the past ten years, money for instructional supplies and books has been seriously reduced. In fact, some text books printed in 1916 are still in use. Visual education, although greatly advanced throughout the country, has hardly been started here.

Omaha schools have 270 fewer teachers than in 1925-6, although there are a few more pupils in attendance at the present time. Omaha's pupils-per-teacher average is much larger than other cities of our



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## You CAN'T Do This To Us

"Above all others must the children of a republic be fitted for a society as well as for themselves..." Thus spoke Horace Mann, the great educator. Today, when the free nations of the world are giving their very life blood to preserve a democratic form of government, it is even more important than ever to educate our future citizens.

And that education should be complete; it should prepare the students of today to take over the jobs of tomorrow successfully and efficiently. Experts are needed in every field... art, teaching, music, engineering, athletics... and so on.

How will we master these occupations... indeed, how will we even become acquainted with them if the opportunity given us to learn them at school is taken away? Yet a group of Omaha citizens have suggested dropping all extra-curricular activities as one means of decreasing school expenses.

The reasoning behind such a plan is not very sound. According to the state law, all children are required to attend school until they are sixteen. Then, regardless of what subjects they are taking, approximately the same number of students will be in school. If courses such as art, music, and gym are cut out, the people who have been taking these subjects will automatically be placed in other classes. As most of our classes are overcrowded now, this would mean that new classes would have to be organized under new teachers. Thus, although the curriculum would have been altered, there would still be the same number of faculty members. This can hardly be considered a "saving."

Certainly we do not save if we fail to train our students for their life work. Very few entering freshmen have decided on their occupations. By graduation time, they ought to have had a chance to try their skill in several different fields in order to find where their aptitude lies. Then there would be fewer occupational misfits... fewer "square pegs in round holes."

Fairly extensive interviews with the Student Council, with parents of school children, and with adults who have no school children, and are therefore not particularly affected show a general consensus of opinion. These people agree that Omaha must maintain its standards of education, and if present conditions endanger these standards, steps should be taken to remedy the conditions.

Almost everyone interviewed felt that gymnasium is absolutely necessary for health; and that music, art, expression, and other like subjects are essential to keep up morale and to develop our appreciation of beauty and culture. In short, thoughtful persons are convinced that we must support public education, and that extra-curricular activities should certainly not be dropped from the curriculum.

## Diplomatic Escape

PIED PIPER  
By Nevil Shute

"Subtle!" "Charming!" "The improbable seem real in a probable setting!" This is the consensus of reviewers and

readers of Nevil Shute's "Pied Piper"—a story of seventy-year old John Howard who was tired of his comfortable arm chair and senile companions in an elite London club. Now that his son was dead, nobody needed him—not even war-torn London. He packed his fishing rods and went to a secluded resort in the French Alps. But the Germans invaded France. Howard, with two little English children entrusted to his care, boarded a train to the west coast to catch a steamer to London.

The train broke down. The bus they then took was bombed. They had to walk the rest of the way. The road to the coast was crowded with apathetic French refugees and soldiers fleeing before the German army.

One by one, five more children of different nationalities, each a victim of ruthless warfare, joined him in his journey toward the coast, now occupied by the Germans. Near Brest he contacted a young French girl, a close friend of his family. With her help they at last got through to the coast.

Escape was carefully planned. Then at the last moment, the Germans discovered that Howard was English, and arrested the group as spies. But the Gestapo agent made a bargain with Howard. If the Englishman would take the German's little niece to Britain, and then send her to the United States and safety, the agent would secretly arrange for Howard and the children to cross the Channel.

Such was the story of suffering and patient endurance that John Howard calmly related to a fellow club member during an air raid over London!

—Helen Gearhart

I've got to get up at least by seven  
I'd much rather sleep till ten or eleven.

But on school days I can't be choosy  
Get dressed, and eat, and then wait for Susie.

Away we go through the fog and the smoke,  
Take off our coats, and 'round the halls poke.

First hour's a bore—why is no mystery;  
Up in 425 I just slave on old history.

I'll skip second hour and go straight to third,  
For then I have gym! (or hadn't you heard?)

Fourth hour's so changeable that I really can't say  
If I like it or not, for it's different each day;

You see it's then I have Algebra II;  
And thought problems are so awful to do.

I love fifth hour can't imagine why...  
But without lunch, I simply would die.

History comes next not so very bad,  
But when the bell rings I'm usually glad.

Next hour's a study... comes in pretty handy  
If you don't just talk, write notes and eat candy.

I have Latin eighth hour, and I like it quite well,  
But when it rings, I don't object to the bell.

Everyone knows what it's like on the bus;  
As long as you're breathing you don't fuss.

Don't study too hard! I don't think it pays;  
And there is the plan for a frosh's school days.

—Mary Frazee

## DIS-PATCHES

Greetings, fellow students (of what?):

Since I can't think of anything especially bright to begin this column, I'll just start. Today's important advice goes to any of you boys who are enlisting in one of our country's armed services. Remember that when you get in, you're working for a straight salary, not a commission.

The other night when I went to the movies I just couldn't understand why my date said that the usherette had as good lines as the heroine. I didn't hear her say anything special.

I never realized before how much life was like fishing. It's the girls with the best lines that make the biggest catches, and once caught, some poor fish is forced to live on a higher scale.

Speaking of high scales, the time when women are really poor losers is when they diet.

After the vice I decided that if the kick were taken out of dancing, a lot of people would be happier... particularly the girls.

Some boys are so dumb that I actually feel sorry for them. They keep getting stuck on some pin... head.

Last Saturday night at a slumber the girl that slept with me certainly was a "sound" sleeper. I could hear her snoring clear on the other side of the room.

Now I must close, but not before I add that (even if I am a brunette) it's times like these that girls learn that the boys all prefer bonds.

P. S. — Girls, too, on the last.

A.P. . . . and that doesn't stand  
for Associated Press.

## Ex-Centralites in Service

Allan Mactier '40 is the highest ranking student officer at the University of Michigan. His rank is cadet lieutenant commander and battalion commander. The Naval Reserve Officers' Training corps was established at the University of Michigan in the fall of 1940; Al is already in his second year of training.

James Lipsey '38 and Ervin Simon '36 are now stationed at Shepard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas. Jim was editor of the Awgwan at the University of Nebraska before he enlisted.

Johnny Goodsell, the best caveman in the class of '39, provided the sound effects for the Community Playhouse recent production, "Green Grow the Lillacs." Following his realistic imitation of a turkey gobbling, Johnny left for San Diego to join the marines.

Lt. Eugene Jorgenson, former captain of the Central High rifle team, was, when last heard of, in Luzon, Philippine Islands, building roads. After graduating from Central in 1938, he attended the University of Nebraska where he was active in the R.O.T.C.

## Mag and Moe Decode: Bags and Brawl

Every dog will have his day, but the nights are reserved for cats... and speaking of cats, there were certainly a lot at the Ace of Hearts... to say nothing of all the wolves. One Jane (pardon, one Joan) got all tangled up in her line on the sensation of the evening. She'd better get out a map the next time she relates her summer vacations. However, it was the first time I ever saw a male smart enough to hang a girl on her own line!

Aside from the wolfesses, there were a few daring girls who did bring out their favorite "voices," and then, there's always the riff-raff that gets in when they let the bars down... By the way, congrats to Van! We were surprised... but pleasantly! He certainly had the right ace up his sleeve!

For your info, it wasn't a Jap in a jeep that you saw maneuvering around third floor seventh hour. Just Dave Grimes being taken for a ride (literally) by Dick Fowler. In spite of the arguments against senior study halls, the behavior in 325 last week should prove that at least some seniors are eligible. Of course, all the babies had to amuse themselves by stamping their feet, but after a while even that stopped. Didn't Bill Lambert make a darling teacher?

Things we'd like to see at Central...

More P(r)ep among the boys

More "I've bought my O-Book" tags

More of Toby with George (at least more of George!)

Less cases of measles around the Register office

From the looks of the blue jeans and football togs sporting around the halls, you'd think that priorities had brought a new trend of fashion, but no, darn it! Only Road Show practice.

## Profs Have Their Say

Miss Griffin—"An apple for the teacher, please."

Mr. Bedell—"Speak now or forever after hold your peace."

Mrs. Sayige—"And zzzt—it was gone!"

Miss Costello—"Take out a sheet of paper for a test."

Miss Jones—"A nickel for the gum, Holly; five cents after the second bell."

Mrs. Blanchard—"You may get your books now."

Mr. Knapple—"Keep quiet or get out."

Mr. Eggen—"Now, class, let's—"

## 'Is Everybody Happy?'

Last week Ted Lewis asked the Orpheum theater patrons the same question he has been asking his audiences for a quarter of a century, "Is Everybody Happy?" and under the magic spell of the top-hatted tragedian of jazz, everybody has been happy.

Ted declares it all began back in the small town of Circleville, Ohio, where he was born. As a youngster he was fascinated by the flourishing drum major of the town's brass band, and used a cane to emulate his intricate baton twirling. Today Ted's cane and battered top-hat are among the best loved traditions of the show world. They are as much a part of Ted's appeal as the whimsical minstrelsy with which he puts over his songs.

For years Ted Lewis played tent shows and carnivals before hitting the big time of Broadway and Hollywood. Ted's old topper has appeared with its owner before seven presidents and King George VI of England. He acquired his celebrated head piece in 1917... won it in a crap game from a colored New York cab driver! He has spent between five to seven hundred dollars on repairs for his hat, and wears it at every performance.

Although most people doubt it, Ted Lewis is only 48 years old, and has a passport to prove it. After his present stage tour, he goes to Hollywood to join his wife, play golf with his friend, Bing Crosby, and make a new movie. And when you see that diminutive man with the brown curly hair, pop eyes, and battered top hat in action, you will understand why a group of New York critics picked Ted Lewis as one of the five greatest showmen of modern times.

—Sol Crandell and Melvin Linsman

## Voice of the Students

What do you think of cutting out all extra-curricular activities?

Natallie Nimmo, H. R. 329: We have to have a little recreation, don't we? Do they want to take all the fun away from us?

Jack Anderson, H. R. 29: Don't ask me. I just work here.

Joan McCague, H. R. 335: Terrible! Unfair to kids. I couldn't live without expression.

Dotty Cowger, H. R. 149: I think the old "fuddy duddies" should leave us alone, by George!

Herb Cornell, H. R. 230: Oh! No! That would take all the joy out of life.

Lois Jean Turner, new auditorium: Quote: See my editorial—unquote.

Lois Snyder, H. R. 313: It would make school perfectly flat.

Jack Busch, new auditorium: I think it's silly. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

Jan McConnelee, new auditorium: First impression: Impossible! Second impression: Well, better than no school at all.

What would you do if school closed in March?

Hugh Mactier, H. R. 220: I would go home and sleep and sleep and sleep—for six months (if possible).

Jeanne Anderson, H. R. 212: If things get that bad a job would be the best thing for me.

Wilma Smalls, H. R. 220: Take a trip—for educational purposes of course.

Burt Olsen, H. R. 139: Celebrate!

Barbara Whitlock, H. R. 145: Why I would have to continue my education by studying a certain amount of time at home each day.

Marjorie Ogden, H. R. 249: Instead of spending a portion of my time, as I do now, on Red Cross and defense work, I would spend a great deal more on it.

Olyve Miller, H. R. 220: Finish my education at a private school (out of town).

## Star Bright

## Co-Twinklers

★ Margaret Hughes and Gisa Neuhaus ★

Twins? No, but what a pair! Double stars of the week are a pair of vivacious seniors, Margaret Hughes and Gisa Neuhaus. Mag and Moe, as they are known to their more intimate friends, are co-editors of this year's O-Book.

Margaret is tall, blond, eyes of blue, and oh yes, glamorous. Besides being an editor of the O-Book and secretary of the Spanish club, Marg finds time to belong to the Colleens, Lininger Travel club, Central High Players, and to the Junior Honor society. Marg also participated in the Young Citizens' contest.

Gisa, also reasonably tall, is a brunette with sparkling brown eyes. Aside from being co-editor for this year's annual, Gee ("G" like in "giddy") is also president of the Spanish club, sergeant-at-arms of Lininger Travel, and member of Colleens, Central High Players, and Junior Honor society. She also was an alternate to Girls' State, and entered the Young Citizens' contest.

Most thrilling experience... here, as usual, the two agree that being editors of the year book is their big moment. And strangely enough, tho they claim it is unintentional, their most embarrassing moment also is duplicate. The same day that Gisa fell out of Marg's house, right into the arms of some man, Marg gave a repeat performance on Gisa's front porch!

"We want a man in a covert cloth suit!" That's the gals' slogan at the present. However, the only ones they have found so far are fat and forty! Other qualifications: height, lots and lots of it; personality, enough to be crazy at the right moments; common sense as well as a sense of humor; and an ability to dance well, as both of the girls are grand dancers themselves.

Maggie's pet peeves are frilly clothes, and at the moment, anyone who won't buy an O-Book. Moe has too many minor ones to print. (We're short on space this week.)

On favorites, Mag claims the color red; any food, with chicken and cherry pie heading the list; and suits. Gisa is partial to anything with plenty of calories, but detests turnips and parsley. A nice sizzling steak, and Colorado as a vacation spot are also tops with her.

"I detest milk," says Marg, "even if I had to drink two quarts a day so I could get enough tops for Gisa and me to send in for our Superman badges."

Favorite pastimes for the couple include swimming, dancing, and reading; especially the Register, with second page as tops. (Of course, they couldn't be prejudiced!) As for Gisa, she is always happy to tell someone about her operation... Both approve of Glenn Miller, and "Blues in the Night." Also riding and writing poetry are other of their likes.

Since her father was recently transferred to Minneapolis, Margaret was quite distraught for a while. But suddenly she found the easy solution... go to live with Gisa! She's looking forward to Minneapolis, but she's also looking forward to a perpetual madhouse at Gisa's!

Here's our salute to Margaret and Gisa, two swell girls! If their past is any hint to the future, we're going to be proud to say, "Central, class of '42."

—Stu Borg

## Juke Box Jibs

"Happy Birthday to Love".....Barb and Cut  
"Easy Street".....Bette Anne and Sally  
"This Love of Mine".....Vernon Talcott  
"So Near and Yet So Far".....Graduation  
"Blues in the Night".....Students first hour  
"You're a Lucky Guy".....Van Ketzler  
"Angels Come Thru".....Betty Henderson  
"Daydreaming".....Stebie  
"Gee but Ybu're Swell".....Burton  
"Moonlight Cocktails".....Breakfast nowadays  
"I Got It Bad".....Betty Cronland  
"Home on the Range".....Girls' Rifery class

## Along the Clothesline

Do you realize there are only twenty-five shopping days till spring? Have you been dashing downtown without the slightest idea of what to look for and not finding it? Well, so've I. But why not take a few pointers from some of these smart Centralites?

Something popular any time are those pastel station wagon sweaters sported by Billie Wilson, Carolyn Covert, and Jeannie Anderson. If and when they tire of them, I hope they remember me. And speaking of sweaters, Fannie Miller is just a bundle of softness in her short-sleeved, hip length, white angora one.

Originality plus... that's Kay Kirkbride and Ruthie Traub. Have you seen those adorable necklaces they've made lately? Just give them a box of breadfast food, a box of dog biscuits, and a package of cellophane straws, and the next day it'll be around their necks.

Seen at the Vice with the men they "bagged"... Dorothy Devereux in her British tan crepe with hat to match... Rosemary Eastlack looking right chipper in her canary yellow jerkin and pleated skirt... Maggie Malm looking cool, calm, and collected in that darling white wool dress with the long torso top, set off by red accessories.

Definitely in the smooth class is Bobbie Boen's brown and white checked suit with the box-pleated skirt... an eye-catcher if there ever was one. And Lois Snyder's lo-n-g blue jacket is really in tune with the times, too.

And now, if you'll promise not to give this information to the enemy, here's the weather forecast:

Fair and warmer... around 249 where Hasse was last seen in her baby blue wool dress with a matching jerkin.

Snow forecast... when Ethelyn Lashinsky wears her winter white wool pleated skirt and white flannel blouse.

Cooler tomorrow... if Doris Clancy appears in that darling ice blue crepe with the torso length top and accordion pleated skirt. The tangerine colored gladiolas she wore with it Saturday were very becoming, but just ask her where she got them. Shame on you, Doris!

Lovely weather... we know cuz Arda Allen just turned the corner in her dark green peasant dress with the bright embroidery on the neck, waist and sleeves.

And with that, we close... but don't forget to buy your O-Book and fast, or your life won't be worth nothin'... 'n that ain't all.

—Dottie Cowger



# Corregidor, America's Pacific Stronghold, Pupil's Old Home

## 'Stronger Than Gibraltar, Best Place in the World'

### Comments Robert Carter

"It's the best place in the world, and Omaha comes in second," beamed Robert Carter as he spoke of Corregidor, his home for the year and a half previous to last May. Robert is the sandy-haired, hazel-eyed lad of 16 who suddenly appeared in the 9A classes last week.

A list of the places he has been will explain his lack of school credits. It will also account for his enviable knowledge of people the world over, and his complete understanding of this present war. Born in Maryland, his father's position of master sergeant in the United States army has carried him to Virginia, Utah, California, Panama, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Japan, Corregidor, and finally to Omaha.

Vividly, Robert described the island of Corregidor which defends Manila bay. "Far stronger than Gibraltar," he said and told of the mass of rock rising 625 feet out of the bay, three miles across, and 27 miles around. Underneath stretches miles of a branching cement tunnel where military objectives and food are stored. The meat is packed in ice, and some of it is 20 years old—and still fresh!

Bombs cannot injure the rock, and gas will have no effect at that altitude because of strong air currents which blow it out to the sea. The only possible defeat of the island would be by actual siege. If MacArthur's men were forced to retreat to Corregidor, they would eventually starve to death.

Thirty-five army post children attended school with Robert on the island. Swimming and boat riding were every day pleasures. When asked if there were movies there, he replied, "Yes! And uncensored, too!"

MacArthur and his soldiers often came to Corregidor during Robert's stay there. He has met the famous Sergeant Anderson. It was inquired of him whether Anderson was good looking. "He's a sergeant," was the reply.

"Omaha," in Robert's opinion, "is quite interesting, and the girls are pretty." How Omaha can be interesting after all the places he has been and seen can only be explained by the fact that Robert is a polite boy. Or, then again, maybe it's because of the convenience of bowling alleys and movies here.

## Effective Assembly Recalls Abe Lincoln

In commemoration of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, a program by the debate and expression students was presented in the auditorium last Thursday.

"It is Abraham Lincoln's birthday; it is the 67th day of the war," stated Jim Stryker as he opened the program. He explained that the program was not presented as a monument, but to build up the morale of Americans and to commemorate the birth of Lincoln.

With the Lincoln monument serving as a perfect background and with a curtain drawn before the statue, Lo'Raineclair Triska delivered a speech on Lincoln. "The spirit of Abraham Lincoln is in the hearts of all Americans," declared Lo'Raineclair.

Tyler Gaines, who portrayed Lincoln in the monument, recited the Gettysburg address. The curtains were drawn slowly while Lo'Raineclair continued her story, telling of the deep silence which followed Lincoln's address. Lo'Raineclair followed this with a dramatization of "The Perfect Tribute."

Concluding the program thirteen members of the cappella choir surrounded the Lincoln monument and sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Those taking part in the number were Nellie Butera, Nell Evans, Doris Clancy, Genevieve Fitzpatrick, Marge Heyn, Margaret Moran, Bernice Pospical, and Emily Reynolds. Also partaking were Dick Devenney, Ted Mallory, John Martin, Joe Moore, and Richard Reynolds.

## Let's Go, Central!

In their first material support of the defense effort, Central students have purchased \$225 in defense stamps since the sale was opened on February 10 by the Lininger Travel club.

That averages up to very near one 10c stamp for each student. It constitutes a start; nothing more.

When the sale gets over its "growing pains" and more students know when and where stamps can be secured, more can be expected.

Stamps will be placed on sale Tuesdays in all homerooms. Wednesdays in senior homeroom.

Thursdays at all entrances in the morning and at the colse of school; in the lunch rooms, and at specified posts in the halls.

Special commendation is due to: Adele Cheek—in charge of homerooms.

Barbara Osborne—in charge of booths.

Gisa Neuhaus—in charge of money.

Kathleen Anderson—in charge of the entire defense stamp drive.

## Student Driving School Begins Second Year

Designed to instruct the public in traffic safety, the second annual driving school began at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday morning, February 14. The course is sponsored by the Central High and is directed by the Omaha Police department.

Registration for classes is limited to 350 students, boys or girls attending some Omaha high school. The course is to include six lessons concerning Omaha's safety rules, and a certificate is to be awarded to those who pass the final examinations. Its purpose is to inform those who drive as well as those who intend to learn.

Application blanks are obtainable from Hi-Y members.

## Shields' Gang Wins Volley Ball Tourney

The Shields' Gang, undefeated, won the girls' volleyball tournament this week. Linda Sue Colley '42 captained the team of eight players. Members of the team included Marilyn Hughes, Beverly Backlund, both '42, and Gloria Gray '45.

Dorothy Leibie '45, Marcia McCaig '45, Vivian Phillips '45, and Mary Anna Williams '44 also played on the team. Lorraine Beckwith's team, the U. N. I.'s won second place.

Captains who have been chosen for the girls' basketball tournament include Harriet Percival '44, Tina Vecchio '44, Nancy Consolin '43, and Doris Manley '45. Marilyn Hughes '42, Pat Devereaux '44, Barbara Cook '43, and Gloria Lincoln '45 are also captains. The tournament is to be played after school on Mondays.

## The School Situation

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There is also the point that Omaha teachers do not make enough money to improve their training during summer vacation. In past years many teachers were able to do so. In fact, teachers are forced to get jobs on the side and in summer because their school pay is not adequate. People have the impression that school teachers have no dependents, but a recent survey shows 58 per cent of Omaha teachers with dependents.

In the future we can not hope to bring well equipped teachers to Omaha. As time goes on, our pay will attract only poorly trained teachers.

Thus you can readily see how the slash in employees' salaries has affected all of us. It is our job now to acquaint our parents with the critical situation in Omaha public schools. We must see that the mill levy election is carried.

## Here n' There

### New Officers Elected

### Teachers Active

### Students Work on Plays, Art

### Centralites Gain Distinction

The Young People's organization at the Central United Presbyterian church has elected Shaun Gunderson '42, president; Harold Boker '42, vice president; Lois Snyder '44, secretary; and Joan Jacobsen '44, treasurer.

The recently installed officers of Bethel 13, Order of Job's Daughters, are Jeanette Mallinson '43, musician; Barbara Brintriall '43, assistant recorder; Dottie Cowger '43, librarian; Dorothy Stepanek '41, chaplain; Doris Clancy '42, marshal; Lo'Raineclair Triska '42, guide; Irene Roadhouse '42, junior princess; Marion Rapp '41, senior princess; and Jean Roadhouse '45, Honorable Quack of the Ducky Daughters.

Mrs. Bernice Engle is not only generous but also patriotic. She rewarded certain Latin I students who had prepared their lessons especially well with defense stamps.

Mrs. Anne Savidge, journalism director at Central High, and Gunnar Horn, journalism director at Benson High, prepared a list of textbooks and references that should be a part of every school newspaper's library. This list was published in the National Scholastic Press Association Newspaper Manual.

Central was well represented in the play "How Green Grow the Lilacs" staged at the Community Playhouse last week. Among those having active parts were Billie Wilson '43, Barbara Byrne '43, Bob Wells '44, Lenke Isaacson '43, and Lo'Raineclair Triska '42. John Goodsell, a Central alumnus, also participated in the play.

Students entering the National Scholastic Art contest this month were Shirley Hassler '43, Ardyth Hellner '43, Shirley Miller '42, and Bill Wrasse '43 in the pictorial watercolors and chalk class; Patton Campbell '44 and Bill Wrasse in the ink sketch class; Dona Pillsbury '45, Jean Cook '44, Jean Jacobsen '45, Phyllis Burgess '45, Irene Merrill '42, Arnold Linsman '45, and Roy Fredericksen in the textile decoration division; and Jane Condon '43 and Bill Wrasse in the pencil sketch division.

Shirley Miller and Emily Reynolds '42 have the distinction of being the only girls ever to be on the stage crew. The reason—they are designing the scenery for the minstrel act in the Road Show.

Friday, February 6, when A.Z.A. fraternity presented their annual Sabbath, two Central High pupils distinguished themselves by outstanding contributions. Selwyn Roffman '43, a member of the cappella choir, sang and led the entire service; and Aaron Raznick '44, also a member of the choir, led the congregation in prayer.

Joan Emmert '43 transferred to Brownell Hall at the beginning of the new semester.

## John Schmidt Severely Ill With Pneumonia

In a critical condition at Methodist Hospital is John Schmidt '45 who was stricken with pneumonia February 12. John is the son of Mr. John G. "Poppa" Schmidt, physics and athletic instructor here at Central High.

Arriving home on Thursday, John complained to his mother of feeling tired. After his temperature was taken, his illness was found to be pneumonia, and he was taken to the hospital that night. John's activities include wrestling and band.

## Homer Kellems, Famed Alaskan Explorer And Skipper, to Lecture Here Wednesday

A dynamic speaker and a foremost authority on Alaska is Homer Flint Kellems, commander of eight Alaskan expeditions during 1931-1941, who will give a lecture February 25 at Central.

Dr. Kellems comes from a long line of American patriots. His family has



DR. HOMER KELLEMS

participated in the Revolutionary, Civil, Spanish-American, and World wars. Educated at the University of Oregon and Columbia university, he has been a platform personality for twenty years.

Dr. Kellems, who is the skipper of the Pandora, a diesel cruiser, knows the far north as few men know it. He led the Will Rogers-Wiley Post Memorial expedition to Pt. Barrow in 1938 and also searched along the bleak east Arctic coast for six lost Russian flyers in 1938. Since then he's made several Northwest Passage expeditions.

Expecting to prove the feasibility of moving United States vessels from ocean to ocean via the Northwest passage during the summer months, Dr. Kellems will attempt to cruise from Seattle to New York over the top of the world for the Navy department sometime this year.

His subject, naturally enough, will be "Alaska—in the World Picture Today"—and should prove informative, entertaining, and significant in respect to the events now taking place.

## Girls Win in Close Tally For Highest Exam Grades

Only by a slight margin did the girls exceed the boys in the tabulations of examination grades for last semester. Over 130 pupils were represented this year with grades of 98, 99, and 100 per cent. Of these, 48 were in mathematics and 39 in English. Girls scored highest in languages and history, while the boys were stronger in mathematics and science.

Penelope Anderson made 99 in English V and French V, and at the same time received 98 in Latin III. Martha Street scored 98 three times: in English IV, in History III, and in Biology I. In Physics I, Charles Welsh and Everett Gantz were able to hit the 100 mark. Charles also reached 98 in Geometry II, while Everett received 99 in Algebra III and in World History II.

David Frederick was the only pupil to reach 100 in his Algebra I exam, and 99 was scored by Patty Evans, Johnny Morris, Barbara Searle, and Dorothy Houson. Eleanor Dent, Claire Dudley, and Adessie Goodwin made 98. Vernon Smith received 99, the only high grade in Algebra II. Francis Brogan made 100 in Algebra III, and Muriel Yuenger received 99. Charles Macchietto stood alone with 99 in Algebra IV.

In Geometry I the 100 mark was reached by Maxine Ford, Marilyn Johnson, Clea Hunter, Beverly Ulman, Harvey Davis, and James Koll. Roy Frederickson, Harold Mozer, Neal Davis, Dolores Lahr, Lois Ann Synder, and Jane Weinhardt all made 99. Those receiving a grade of 98 were Nathalie Mason, Marjorie Allan, Glenn Williams, Scott Christian, Bill Cook, Lowell Hertzberg, Peter Isacson, Justin Simon, Bob Koll, Robert Smith, Duane Havarka, Thomas Landale, and Ernest Price. In Geometry II Roland McFarlin and Richard Winthrob both received 100, and Pat Roessig, and Rae Dickenson made 98.

Emma Dus and Richard Nordstrom both scored 100 in their trigonometry examination, while Muriel Johnson made 99 and Leonard Potash 98.

The highest scorer in the biology examination was Eva Rundell with a grade of 100. Grades of 98 were received by Dorothy Saitta, Marilyn Gray, Darlene Prather, and George Forgan.

In Physics I James Stryker, Erwin Witkin, and Everett Gantz reached the 100 mark. Joe Frederickson, Ben Schwartz, Sylvan Siegler, and John Cottingham all made 99. A score of 98 was made by Charles Macchietto, Sol Schwartz, Dick O'Brien, Moya

Freymann, Laurel Childe, Lincoln Klaver, Barton Greenberg, and Frank Latenser.

Katherine Phelps, with a grade of 98, was the only high scorer in English I. Beverly Ulman, Barbara Weiss, and Harry Leffer made 99 in English III, and Marion Cardella, Norton Garon, and Billie Pepper received a grade of 98. In the English IV examination, Meyer Halprin made 99. Ruth Collins and Moya Freymann received 100 in English V. Lenke Isaacson scored 99, and Dorothy Drishaus made 98. English VI had a high examination rating with Dorothy Randall, Doris Maroney, Maxine McCaffrey, Sylvan Siegler, and John Cottingham all scoring grades of 100. Gay Follmer, Anne Marie Jakeman, Bruce Greenberg, Marilyn Peterson, Mary Munger, and Vivien Rasmussen made 99, and Betty Gleason, Thomas Brogan, Virginia Bouton, Jean Schultz, Alys Jorgensen, Margaret Malm, Francis Brogan, Norman Barson, Bonnie Baysdorfer, Laurel Childe, Jean Douglas, Ann Gilman, Lois Bealer, and Erwin Witkin all received grades of 98.

In the Social Studies exam Ellen Jorgenson and Jean Marie Roadhouse scored 99, and Jeanette Larson 98. In World History II Delores Lahr reached the only 100 mark. Everett Gantz and Eileen Rosemont made 99, and Robert Faier and Arlene Cooper received 98. The single scorer of 100 in History III was Harold Margolin. Harold Paulsen made 99 while Nellie Nigro, and Marilyn Gray received 98. The high Civics exams all hit the 98 mark with Alys Jorgensen, John Stice, Bernard Wolfson, Jack Larsen, Janet Street, and Jean Schultz all receiving that grade.

Martha Redfield received the highest grade in Latin I, 99, while Susie Carson, Phyllis Studna, Tom Reid, and Mary Shick all made 98.

Marcia Parker stands alone with the high score of 100 in Spanish I. In French V Lucy Rodicia made 98 per cent.

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## Air Raid Patrol Is Prepared to Protect School in Emergency

Formed in accordance with the orders of the nation's National Defense committee, an air raid patrol, composed of all cadet officers and a picked group of non-commissioned officers, has been in operation since the advent of our war with Japan. Headed by Richard Linke and co-commander Irving Allison, the patrol is responsible for the security of all those in the school building in the occasion of an enemy air raid. The patrol has received special instruction in the use of the fire extinguisher and have taken all precautions in making the air raid shelters as safe as possible.

As it is imperative that the majority of the patrol members have their uniforms on at all times to meet any emergency, the leaders of the patrol have divided the non-commissioned officers into three groups and arranged a schedule, so that at least two groups will have their uniforms on every day of the week. All officers wear their uniforms throughout the school week.

On Wednesday, February 18, a test was given to all eligible second year men covering subjects taught in the second year's instruction. This test is to count for the cadet's written grade in his consideration for promotion.

Promotions announced February 12 and 18 are Captain Frank Lepinski; First Lieutenants Jim Stryker, Dick Coyne, and Van Ketzler; Second Lieutenant Norman Polonsky; Master Sergeant Al Willauer; Staff Sergeants Bob Lahr, Leon Hickman, Walter Miller, and Herb Benson; Sergeant Vernon Talcott; Corporals Dick Benson and Bob Mitchell.

Company B retained its lead in the flag race by tying for first in the merit book inspection, general rating, and absentee reports to gain a total of 82 points. Company C is second with 73 points, while Company A is third receiving second in the merit book inspections, general rating, and absentee reports for a score of 72½ points. Company D is fourth with ties for first in the merit books and absentees, and a second in general rating.

In the freshman race, Freshman Company 1 leads with 78½ points. Freshman Company 3 is second with 74½, and Freshman Company 2 trails with 71½.

Margaret Groves with 99 was the only high scorer for Shorthand I, and Mary Laferla, Davis Cain, and Ann Gilman all made 98 in Shorthand II. In Salesmanship Sally Mickel and Ellen Ristick both received a grade of 99. Alys Jorgensen received 99 in Bookkeeping I, and Jack Larsen made a grade of 98. Allan Blank was the highest scorer in Economics, with an examination grade of 98.

Shirley Bloom '44 is recuperating in St. Joseph's hospital after an appendectomy February 14.

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Last Friday night when the Purple and White played North at the auditorium over 500 Viking fans turned out to cheer their team on to victory. You could have counted the Central fans on your ten fingers and still have room left to include the Dionne quintuplets.

If some of you so-called rabid basketball fans could be inflicted with some of this kind of enthusiasm, the Eagles might go places in the coming tournament. So come on, all you sport fans, take your women and let's hear you cheer, March 3, 5, and 6 for those Purple and White hoopsters.

It's interesting to note that Leonard Muskin, former Central and Nebraska football star, left Monday morning for Kansas City where he will take preliminary training in the naval air corps. Muskin, who played guard and tackle, earning two letters at Nebraska and four at Central, was graduated last June from Nebraska.

Even though they dropped a match to South last week, the Eagle grunt and groan artists are still one of the best bets to win the state wrestling championship coming along soon. The loss to South kicked the boys into second place, two full games behind the league-leading Thomas Jefferson toughies from across the river. The Yellowjackets do not compete in our state meet, so the Eagles will have to take full revenge when the two teams meet in the season's finale on February 27, and from where we're sitting, we'll put all our money on the boys in the Purple and White.

#### HALL OF FAME

Last year at this same time Vic Boker was honored in the Hall of Fame. Vic had been a state champion the year before and seemed a cinch to repeat again. He did not disappoint his followers, but retained his title with ease.

This year his brother, Harold, is repeating the same story. He is gunning for another state title to place along side the one he won last season. Thus far this year he is unbeaten and threatens to remain thus. Coach Morrison has nothing but praise for Harold, stating that, "he is not only a great wrestler and competitor, but he is always in good shape and ready to learn new holds."

Harold will graduate in June, but don't you go a worrying, folks — there's another Boker coming along by the name of Marshall. He is a freshman at Central now.

Two former tennis lettermen received distinguished appointments last week to West Point. The two are Stan Smith, who played in 1941, and James Duffy, who earned his letter in 1939. Duffy is the alternate and will go if one of the other candidates finds that he cannot go. Smith is a freshman at Nebraska and Duffy is stationed at Fort Leavenworth.

Our sincerest regrets to Joe Scarpello, whose father passed away Wednesday. He died of a heart attack after a severe case of double pneumonia. Because of this, the Tech High wrestling match scheduled for today has been postponed to next Wednesday afternoon.

Also in line for his share of orchids is George Moore, dusky basketball player for Central. Up to last Friday night George didn't see much service, but Coach B. saw fit to insert him into the lineup in the closing minutes and Moore came through with two quick baskets and some good defensive work. Tab Moore for a coming player under Buising's smart tutelage.

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—Sports Editors

## Grapplers Defeated By South

Eagles Lose Decision To Packers 22-20 as Trio Remains Unbeaten

Central's mat team suffered their second defeat in seven starts last Friday, when they were upset by South High, 22-20, in our gym. Vito Sutura, Harold Boker, and Joe Scarpello remained undefeated with easy wins over their Packer opponents in the 105, 145, and 165 pound classes respectively.

Joe threw his rugged foe, Kocis, in 3:16, being the only Purple man to gain a fall. Joe's five points drew the Eagles up to 19-20, but the experienced Stefack of South proved too much for green but willing Don Gorman. Gorman, wrestling for the second time, was out-pointed but not out-gamed as he dropped a decision.

**Boker and Sutura Triumph**  
Boker shaded Dyer 4-0, although he was close to a pin from the start. Sutura snatched a decision from Brennan in a bout which was a thriller throughout.

Ken Leabee came from behind in the last half minute to take the nod in a fast match in the 155 pound division. The Eagles won six of the twelve "tussles," but the Packers' two pins gave them the margin. Tee Jay, with seven victories and no defeats, holds first place in the Intercity race.

85—Yambor (S) decisioned Maxwell, 4-0  
95—Salerno (C) decisioned Hayuka, 4-0  
105—Sutura (C) decisioned Brennan, 6-3  
112—Payton (C) decisioned Matula, 4-0  
118—McCawley (S) threw Mangiameli, 1:19  
124—Goodell (S) threw F. Scarpello, 3:45  
130—Czyz (S) decisioned Pattavina, 4-0  
136—Grace (S) decisioned Evans, 6-4  
145—Boker (C) decisioned Dyer, 4-0  
155—Leabee (C) decisioned Ryck, 7-6  
165—J. Scarpello (C) threw Kocis, 3:16  
Heavyweight—Stefack (S) decisioned Gorman, 4-0.

## Gal Reporter Moans Loss of Wrestlers On Unlucky Friday

Uhhh, ohhh, uhhh! "Oh, is this wrestling?" "Stupid" talkin' . . . stupid me! Well, can I help it if I didn't know the finer points of the noble art of wrestling.

I do now. I know just how many points we get for a decision and how many for a fall. You don't believe me? O. K., we get three points for a decision and five points for a fall. Friday the 13th proved unlucky for Morrison's prides and joys and they came out on the short end of a 22-20 score in the big upset of the season.

Scarpello proved the ablest of the Eagles when he threw Kocis and brought the score up to 19-20 for Central, the closest it came to winning the match.

Don Gorman, only a sophomore, came up against Stefack, one of the toughest men on South's squad, in the heavyweight division. There seemed to be too much Stefack for Don and the Red-clad grappler won by a decision ending the matches 22-20. Scarpello was the only wrestler to defeat Stefack last season.

Mr. Morrison is a show in himself; wrestling every match along with his boys. Anyone who has witnessed a

## Bowling

TEAM STANDINGS		W.	L.
1. River Rats	.....	24	12
2. Thunderbolts	.....	21	15
3. Strikers	.....	20	16
4. Midgets	.....	19	17
5. 300's	.....	18	18
6. Q.M.P's	.....	18	18
7. Eagles	.....	18	18
8. Lucky Devils	.....	18	18
9. Headliners	.....	17	19
10. Purples	.....	7	29

Sweeping three games from the Strikers, the River Rats increased their lead in the boys' bowling league to three games last Tuesday at the Music Box alleys.

Bob Barber's series of 551 for the River Rats was the edge of victory. By closing with games of 209 and 204, Barber moved up to second place on the high five with an average of 154.

#### Thunderbolts Climb to Second

By winning two games from the Midgets, the Thunderbolts climbed into second place. Captain Dayton Smith of the Thunderbolts led the way with games of 163, 138, and 161 for a 462 series to boost his average to 152. Smith holds down third place on the high five. Kenny Batchelder of the Midgets rolled a 460 series to raise his average to 139.

The Lucky Devils moved into a tie for fifth place by taking two games from the Eagles. Ray Sak's games of 181, 145, and 160 for a series of 486 was the decisive edge. Bob Griffiths rolled a 500 series to have the second high series last Tuesday. Both Griffiths and Sak are members of the Lucky Devil team.

#### High Five

Still occupying first place on the high five is Dick Nordstrom of the Strikers with a 155 average. Ray Sak raised his average one pin to 152 to take over fourth place. Dayton Smith, Bob Barber, and Bill Campbell are the other members of the high five.

A question has been raised about the five cents extra charged each week of bowling. The extra nickel is taken to pay for trophies at the end of the year. Trophies are awarded members of the high five and to members of the winning team. The keggers are now in their thirteenth week of bowling and have six more weeks. Bowling will be at 3:45 at the Music Box on Tuesdays. Through an error, bowling last Tuesday started at 3:30.

HIGH FIVE			
1. Nordstrom	36	5592	155
2. Barber	33	5081	154
3. Smith	36	5455	152
4. Sak	30	4532	151
5. Campbell	30	4493	150

## Girls' Gym Custodian Quits after 35 Years

"I enjoyed every bit of my work at Central," stated Mrs. Mary Vanderford who had charge of the girls' gym locker room. She retired after the Christmas holidays because of ill health.

Mrs. Vanderford came to Central High school over thirty-five years ago before the south wing of the old high school building was built. She recalls the time when the girls' gym was in Room 445.

Mrs. Anna Borne has replaced Mrs. Vanderford in the girls' locker room.

Central match knows how thoroughly the former Olympics champ goes through every motion with his boys when they are in action.

It seemed strange when our men were struggling with South's grunt and groaners to see a Mr. Sorenson, that's a reasonable facsimile of our own Mr. Sorenson, plugging for the other side. No small wonder though that our Mr. Sorenson's brother was rooting for the Packers; he's their wrestling coach.

Gosh, we've really had a swell season . . . that is, up until that Friday the 13th caught up with us. We'd had five wins and one loss . . . that one loss to Tee Jay, leaders in the Intercity race.

That's all for now . . . Bye . . . Max.

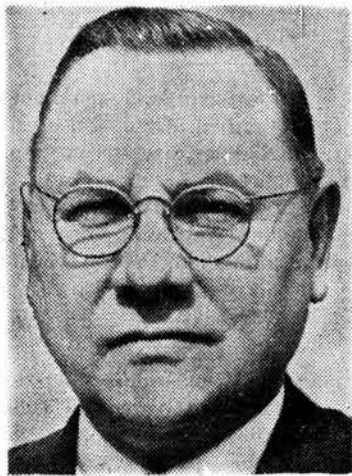
## Students Vote 'Pop' Schmidt Leading Coach

Track Mentor Still Tops; Morrison, Buising Make Poll Nip and Tuck Race

What Central coach, in your opinion, has developed the most outstanding athletes in the past 15 years?

When this question was put to 100 Central sport fans and athletes last week, a very close vote resulted, but finally J. G. "Papa" Schmidt, our track tutor for 20 years, was named the winner.

In his long career at Central, "Pop" has produced many championship cinder squads. Last year the track team, competing against outfits from both Nebraska and Iowa, finished second in the Missouri Valley meet. Such '41 stars as George Grimes, state half-mile king, and Dwayne Feecken, outstanding high jumper, were proteges of Mr. Schmidt.



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### Track Coach 'Pop' Schmidt

A close second to Schmidt in the poll was Allie Morrison, wrestling mentor. For the last three years Morrison's grapplers have taken the state crown, and are in a favorable position to repeat this season. Among the recent Nebraska high school champions developed by Coach Morrison are four present members of the team: Art Sholkofski, Don Payton, Harold Boker, and Joe Scarpello.

Last year's basketball team, which won the Intercity, district, and Missouri Valley titles, was led by Loren Buising, third place winner in the poll. Cage coach for only three years, Buising has developed several stellar players. Slim Vosika and Davey Jones, members of the '41 squad, made all-state and Intercity ratings.

#### Results of the poll:

Coach	Votes
Schmidt	30
Morrison	28
Buising	17
Justice	11
Sorenson	8
Perry	5
Knappe	1

Two of the opinions expressed during the poll were:

Dayton Smith, track, "I think Mr. Schmidt should be picked because of the record of his pupils after high school.

Bill Lambert, football, "Morrison has developed the greatest number of individual champions."

## Guess Who?

Age—17  
Weight—155  
Height—6' 1 1/2"  
Eyes—Blue  
Hair—Brown  
Ambition—To be another Harry James

Activities—Basketball, ROTC  
Favorite song—"Memories of You"  
Favorite saying—"Rump-fed ronyon"

Nickname—Monk

Last week's Guess Who was Coach Loren Buising.

## Sgt. Wyatt Plans Rifle Team Visit To Boonville, Mo.

Tech. Sgt. L. O. Wyatt, coach of the Central squad, is making plans for the team to journey to the Kemper Rifle meet at Boonville, Missouri. In 1940 the team from Central High won first place in this meet, and last year the Eagles took fifth place. Usually 70 of the finest high school rifle teams in the country attend this meet, thus making it a fine honor to win the tournament. North High is probably the only other school in Omaha which will be represented at the Kemper meet. The meet is scheduled for March 12, 13, and 14.

#### Defeated by North

Although turning in their highest team score of the season, Central's riflemen met defeat at the hands of the North High rifle squad on Monday, February 9. Out of a possible 1,500 points, the Eagles made a score of 1,293, but the Viking squad scored 1,329. Leading the Purples was team-captain Herb Miller with 269 from a possible 300.

In a match with the Bell Telephone company team on February 2, the Eagles were defeated once more. Paced by manager Barton Greenberg, the Central squad scored 1,274, but the Bell team made a score of 1,309x1,500. Greenberg shot a tally of 270x300.

#### Clip South

Breaking their losing streak, the Eagles came through with a decisive victory over South. The Central squad ran up a total score of 1,210 points to 1,174 for the Packers. Fred Bekins was high for the Eagles, shooting 256x300.

At the expense of an American Legion team from Carson, Iowa, the Central squad gained another victory. In a close match, the Eagles outscored the Legion team, 1,267x1,500 to 1,243x1,500. Team captain Herb Miller again paced the team, with a card of 272x300.

## Hiffernan Tops Purple Scoring

Johnny Hiffernan's growing accuracy on long shots boosted him into first place in basketball scoring with a total of 52 points to date this season.

Right on his heels are forwards Bobby Fry and John Potts with 50 counters apiece. Sonny Trigg is next in the standings with 16 field goals and ten free throws for a 42 point aggregate.

Al Grove, who scored 41 markers in the first half of the season, probably would be topping the list if he had not graduated in mid-term.

Name	FG.	FT.	TOT.
Hiffernan	20	12	52
Potts	20	10	50
Fry	17	16	50
Trigg	16	10	42
Grove	11	19	41
Grimes	8	9	25
Emery	5	2	12
Miller	2	4	8
Moore	2	3	7

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## Viking Quintet Wins Fourth Straight from Central Basketeers

Jim Sharp Leads Norsemen To 38-20 Victory in Game Played at City Auditorium

Winning their fourth straight victory over the Eagles in the last two years, North's basketball team blasted their way to a 38-20 win at the city auditorium last Friday night.

The Purples started out with a rush to lead 4-3 in the first three minutes, but three quick baskets by Sharp put North in the lead as the first period ended. Beginning where they left off in the first quarter, the Vikings rang up eight more points and the score stood 17-5 after Gray sank a free throw. At intermission the score was 19-7.

With a verbal "cover" on the basket for the Eagles, the Norsemen increased their lead to 31-11 at the end of the third session. In the final period, the Purples made a gallant but futile try for a comeback but fell short by 18 points.

The outstanding player on the floor was Jim Sharp, Viking guard, who bagged five baskets in the first half and two in the second for 14 points. His defensive play was a strong factor in the Viking victory. Second high man was the Norseman Schleiger with four buckets and two gift tosses for 10 points. John Hiffernan was high man for the Eagles with six points.

## Scarpello Paces Wrestling Squad

At the completion of seven matches, Joe Scarpello leads Coach Morrison's grapplers in the scoring column with five falls and one decision. He was held to a decision by state heavyweight champion, Mike DiBiase, or otherwise would have a perfect record of five points in each match.

Vito Sutura and Harold Boker hold identical records to two falls and five decisions for an aggregate of 25 points apiece to trail Scarpello.

Name	Falls	Decisions	Pts.
Joe Scarpello	6	1	33
Vito Sutura	2	5	25
Harold Boker	2	5	25
Bob Kriss	2	2	16
Gene Evans	2	2	16
Ken Leabee	0	5	15
Tony Salerno	1	3	14
Sam Maxwell	2	1	13
Don Payton	0	4	12
Al Pattavina	1	2	11
Art Sholkofski	1	1	8
Tom Mangimeli	0	2	6
Jake Dreier	1	0	5
Don Gorman	0	1	3
Ted Niess	0	1	3

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