

# ROTC Officers Present Military Ball Tonight

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## 33 Lieutenants Eligible To Be Battalion Colonel

**Bergman, Busch, Cloyd, Hawkins, Stuht, Watkins Nominated as Candidates to March with Commander**

By BARNEY KADIS

Highlighting the eighth annual military ball tonight at the Peony park ballroom will be the announcement of the cadet lieutenant colonel, who will command the Central High ROTC battalion, and the naming of the colonel's lady.

According to Tech. Sgt. Palmer Peterson, 33 cadet officers are eligible for lieutenant colonel, who is chosen for his outstanding ability to lead his fellow cadets; while one of six girls chosen by the officers will march as the colonel's lady. Candidates for the colonel's lady are JoAnne Bergman, Barbara Busch, Nancy Cloyd, Belva Hawkins, Sally Stuht, and Nancy Watkins.

## Preparations Commence for 'Calico Ball', Eleventh Annual All Girls' Party; Celebration, Coronation To Be April 13

### Awards for Unusual Costumes; Climax Is Election of Queen

Under the direction of Jean Roadhouse, president of the Student Council, preparations have begun for the eleventh all girls' party, the "Calico Ball." The annual masquerade will take place on Friday, April 13, in the school auditorium and gym.

Prizes will be awarded to the girls with the most unusual costumes, and the judges will be on the lookout for originality. The earlier part of the evening will be spent in dancing and in watching a specialty floor show.

### Countesses Announced

Highlighting the occasion will be the coronation of Miss Central XI, the outstanding senior girl, who will be chosen from the 33 countesses by the girls attending the ball. The senior girls selected to march as countesses are Amy Jo Bergh, Jo Anne Bergman, Peggy Jo Brainard, Barbara Buseh, Beverly Busch, Barbara Cannon, Marjorie Chambers, Nancy Cloyd, Marian Cooper, Charlotte Dawson, Carolyn Driscoll, Mary Frazee, and Lois Fritts.

Other girls who will march are Marie Graham, Emogene Hanna, Elaine Hannibal, Belva Hawkins, Carrie Helaney, Helen Kirk, Mary Ann Korb, Nancy Low, Patricia McKeen, Delores McNamara, Katherine Phelps, Martha Redfield, Jean Roadhouse, Frances Ross, Margaret Rossiter, Grace Smith, Sally Stuht, Ramona Thompson, Barbara Turk, and Nancy Watkins.

### Traditions Followed

Of these girls nine will be elected princesses, and from the princesses three in turn will be chosen for Miss Central XI and her ladies-in-waiting. Officers of the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes will also participate in the colorful march to the throne, with the girl members of the Student Council.

In last year's party, "The Cameo Ball," Bonnie Sliger was voted Miss Central X, and at the "Crystal Ball" in 1943, Joan Huntzinger received the crown. The seniors will remember the coronation of Marilyn Hughes in the 1942 "Eight Ball." Mary Joan Evans, now an Army nurse, was chosen queen of the "Lucky Ball" in 1941.

The "April Frolie" was presented in 1940, when Jeanne Burke was named Miss Central VI. The election of Betty Marie Wait as queen of the "Charm Ball" in 1939 was followed by her being selected as the University of Nebraska "Sweetheart" in 1942. Frances Morris was voted Miss Central IV at the "Circus Ball" in 1938, and one of Central's teachers, Virginia Lee Pratt, received the crown at the "Cinderella Ball" in 1937.

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WHICH ONE OF THESE GIRLS WILL BE THE COLONEL'S LADY? Back row: JoAnne Bergman, Belva Hawkins, Nancy Cloyd. Front row: Barbara Busch, Sally Stuht, Nancy Watkins. — Photo by Stan Lipsey

## State University To Give Exams

The University of Nebraska regents' examinations will be given at Central High, Monday, March 26, and Tuesday, March 27. The tests, supervised by Principal J. Arthur Nelson, will cover three fields: psychological (college aptitude), mental ability, and general culture.

The University of Nebraska scholarship awarded as a result of the examinations is worth approximately \$85. Recipients are exempt from tuition fees, but must pay matriculation, medical service, registration, Student Union, and the Daily Nebraskan fees. Each scholarship is good for the freshman year only. The University has awarded approximately 2500 scholarships to students since the beginning of this competition.

Besides the winner from this school who will receive a scholarship, those who earn honorable mention will also have a chance for scholarships. Those taking the tests are William Bade, Julien Bahr, John Barber, Louis Bernstein, Barbara Busch, Edsel Hudson, Mary Ann Korb, John Morris, Ellsworth Nelson, Eugene Nesselson, Pauline Noodell, Patricia Nordin, Charles E. Peterson, Byron Raznick, Jean Roadhouse, Norman Roffman, Annette Segal, and Edward Zorinsky.

## Students Save Bonds for Post-War Education; HR 240 Boosts Stamp Sales by Novel Method

The majority of Central students who buy War Stamps and Bonds every Wednesday morning in homeroom are saving for post-war education, according to a recent poll conducted in six homerooms.

The 143 students polled, representing all classes, were asked to state the purpose for which they were saving their War Stamps and Bonds.

Sixty per cent of the 85 girls questioned are planning for college or educational training after the war, while 17 per cent are saving bonds and stamps to provide an emergency fund for future needs. Ten per cent of the girls are thinking of marriage, 5 per cent are planning post-war travel, and 3 per cent are planning to purchase a car. An additional 2 per cent of the girls polled plan to invest in a business, while 3 per cent intend to use their savings to buy clothes.

Of the 58 boys who participated in the poll, 45 per cent are saving for post-war education, 16 per cent are planning an emergency fund for future needs, and 18 per cent are saving for marriage. The purchase of cars is planned by 13 per cent of the boys, while 5 per cent intend to enter some business and 3 per cent wish to travel.

A cross section of student opinion was taken in the poll, which was conducted in cooperation with the War Finance division of the United States Treasury department. The results of the poll will be sent to Washington for national tabulation.

During the past five weeks, Homeroom 240 has bought war bonds and stamps totaling over \$558. Following a unique system suggested by Polly Robinson and Delores Cohn, a drawing of Uncle Sam is partially colored each time the average reaches 100 per cent.

Sales for the individual weeks have always totaled \$70 or above. Not once this semester have the 32 girls in Mrs. Mary Kern's homeroom let Uncle Sam down, while on the other hand Hirohito has remained down at zero each week.

**FLASH: Stamp sales totaling \$230.80 meant that Homeroom 240 finished coloring Uncle Sam this week.**

Other homerooms have devised original plans in order to increase their purchases. All homeroom representatives and war stamp treasurers are urged to promote the sales in their rooms on Wednesdays and Thursdays in order to keep the "Schools-at-War-E" flag flying at Central.

Homeroom 232 was omitted from the homeroom table on War Stamp sales in the last Register. They have maintained a 99 per cent average for the past three weeks. Homeroom 137 also should have been listed with 97 per cent average and Homeroom 132, 95 per cent average.

## Sophomore Kirby Smith Writes Memory Device

Remembering names is one of the minor problems of civics students; so Kirby Smith, a sophomore, wrote a memory device to help students in his class remember the justices of the United States Supreme Court. The jingle, which the class submitted to the Register for publication, is as follows:

"Use Rutledge glue to glue Jackson's picture on a Stone step at Murphy's cafe on Douglas street where they serve Frankfurters and you can Reel the Black print on Roberts' milk."

Last week because the jingle was not printed, Miss Irma Costello's seventh and eighth hour classes presented a legally worded petition to the Register staff, demanding the publication of the device.

## Teacher Speaks for AAU

Mrs. Marguerite Rosemont, Central Spanish teacher, spoke on Latin American culture interpreted by Latin Americans at a meeting in Lincoln of the American Association of University Women, March 17.

## Students Fill Educational Gift Boxes For Children in Liberated Countries

A total of 400 educational gift boxes for children in liberated countries was filled by students of Central High during the past three weeks in the first school-wide Junior Red Cross project of the year. The boxes, which contain crayons, pencils, paints, small notebooks, and a variety of other school and health materials, were filled by the homerooms and by school clubs.

Members of some homerooms placed a variety of clever and original items in their boxes. The girls in the gym, using feminine ingenuity, put in hair ribbons, needles, thread, and pastel wash cloths. Room 130 put a copy of the Christmas issue of the Register in each box. An original touch by Room 132 was the use of powder puffs as needle books. Room 131 made penwipers and needle books for their boxes.

Room 230 combined ingenuity with skill by making neat, brightly colored print marbles containing a spring supply of marbles. They also put an American penny in each box. Sewing

kits and washcloths were the extra contribution of Room 425, while Room 335 insured recipients of clean teeth with tooth brushes and tooth powder.

In addition to filling their boxes, Rooms 128, 235, 249, and 312 turned in a total of \$4.35 to the Red Cross council. The money was used to buy handkerchiefs and combs for boxes which had none.

Members of the Latin club filled 40 boxes, which contained modeling clay and a variety of puzzles and games. Lininger Travel club filled 15 boxes, putting a compass, a protractor, a small doll, and a can of talcum powder in each one.

Members of the Red Cross council inspected the boxes before they were sent to Red Cross headquarters.

Miss Dorothy Cathers, faculty Red Cross sponsor, noted the amount of soap which was contributed, enough to put two bars in each box. In addition dozens of sample bars of hotel soap from all over the country were collected.

## Senior Girl Dies In Auto Accident



Geraldine Chait, Central High senior, was fatally injured in an accident March 18, when the cab in which she was riding collided with a truck at Thirty-third and Burt streets.

Geraldine, who was well-liked by both students and faculty, had been a member of the French club during her senior year, and also served on Student Control and as a homeroom representative when she was a freshman. After school she did secretarial work at the Jewish Community Center.

Many students attended her funeral services which were held Monday afternoon, March 19, at the Jewish Funeral Home.

## Cadet Promotion List Announced

### Sgt. Peterson Names ROTC Advancements

In the largest promotion list posted this year, Tech. Sgt. Palmer Peterson announced the advancement of 93 cadets, Monday, March 19.

Two cadets, Kenneth Clinefelter and Richard Randall, were raised to master sergeants. Technical sergeants are Robert Chapman, Leonard Seagren, Patrick Thomas, James Swancutt, and Byron Raznick.

Those advanced to staff sergeants are Aristides Abariotes, Harold Abrahamson, Robert Bierman, Bill Cahoon, Phillip Gilmore, Saul Greenberg, Martin Haykin, Robert Howell, John Hoyer, and Robert Jones.

Others include Barney Kadis, Richard Kohan, Darold Nelson, Milton Parker, Gerald Ries, Norman Roffman, Donald Stern, Richard Stewart, Irving Veitzer, and Corey Wright.

Those promoted to sergeants are James Andre, Russell Bloomquist, Richard Boudar, William Christensen, Earl Elsasser, Albert Feldman, Jack Keiner, Milton Lehr, Jerry Magee, Lee Magee, Bennett Raduziner, Steve Swartz, Frank Thomas, William Whited, Raleigh Wilkerson, and Donald Woods.

Fifteen cadets were advanced to corporals. They are Henry Byrne, Theodore Cunningham, Donald Fox, Donald Green, James Haggert, Harry Koch, Kenneth Iske, James Kremers, John Merriam, Mayer Moskovitz, Robert Olson, Congdon Paulson, Gilbert Roth, Frank Rusk, and Burkett Van Kirk.

Completing the list of advancement are the privates first class: Paul Bashus, Hubert Bath, Richard Beem, Richard Burdick, Stanley Cooper, Herbert Denenberg, James Dinsmore, Donald Fairchild, William Hinchcliff, William Hunter, Kenneth Johnson, Herbert Kennedy, Edward Kolar, Richard Kottman, Raymond Landolt, John Mellinger, and Orvel Milder.

Others include Richard Miller, Harold Novak, Henry Pederson, John Peterson, William Peterson, Eugene Rabe, Morton Reznick, Richard Rosenblatt, Fredrick Smith, John Smith, Franklin Vachal, Leonard Veitzer, Robert Warner, Douglas White, Othol White, Samuel Turitz, Monroe Williams, and Joseph Yousem.

## Program Completed For Victory Gardens

At a Master Gardener dinner sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday, a program was completed for the elementary and high schools' victory garden project.

The purpose of the project is to increase food production and to give students the opportunity to aid directly in the war effort.

Two representatives from each student body have charge of that school's project. Central's representatives are Alice Seig '46 and Gerald Carter '47.

Children may work individually or with their parents. All students will keep a chart recording hours spent in the garden and products grown. An adult garden chairman in each community will advise students what to plant and aid them in forming garden clubs.

A contest is planned for late summer to pick the two best exhibitors, who will enter a national contest.

In 1938 when the ROTC was first started at Central, James C. Haugh and Shirley Hoffman were chosen colonel and honorary colonel. In 1939 James Duffy and Jeanette Emmert were selected to lead the regiment, and in 1940 J. Gordon Freymann and Marjorie Johnson were the honored pair.

George Grimes and Mary Thomas were colonel and honorary colonel in 1941, while Richard Creedon and Nell Evans held the top positions in 1942. Robert Spier and Mary Mallory led the battalion in 1943, and Edward Swenson and Shirley Lierk held the positions last year.

### Tickets on Sale for \$1.50

Tickets for the ball may be purchased from any cadet officer for \$1.50, tax included. An additional charge for stags will be made at the door. Spector tickets will cost 50 cents; however, no one of high school age will be admitted as a spectator.

The doors of the peony park ballroom will open at 7:45 p.m., and at 8 p.m. the ROTC band, under the direction of Merwin Tilton, will present a 30 minute concert. Following the concert, Bill Bock, master of ceremonies, will introduce distinguished guests.

Supt. of Schools Hobart M. Cornig will present purple and white chords to the five highest scorers of the rifle team: Frank Mullens, Julien Bahr, Sidney Nearensberg, Thomas Page, and Richard Stewart.

Following a short performance in precision drill by the Crack Squad, Fred Hill, assistant to the superintendent of the Omaha schools, will present shoulder chords to the members of the Crack Squad.

### Howard Outstanding Junior Cadet

Principal J. Arthur Nelson will then present a medal to Roswell Howard as the outstanding junior cadet. The next event will be the long awaited promotions of cadet officers. Frank Y. Knapple, dean of boys, will announce the promotions beginning with the rank of second lieutenant and ending with the highest, lieutenant colonel. Assistant Principal Andrew Nelson will then present the newly appointed lieutenant colonel with his insignia of rank.

The silent platoon will give a performance in manual of arms. Captain B. F. Clark, PMS&T of Omaha and Council Bluffs high schools, will award the members of the silent platoon with their bars.

### Woods to Announce Officers, Ladies

Afer the presentation of the silent platoon bars, Donald Woods will announce cadet officers and their ladies as they leave the ballroom stage. Officers will be announced in order of rank. Master Sgt. Roswell Howard will then present the colonel's lady with a bouquet of flowers from the Noncommissioned Officers' club.

The colonel and his lady will pass through an arch of officers' sabers, escorted by an honor guard of four crack squad members. The first dance will be reserved for the officers' and their ladies.

General dancing to the music of Web Feierman's orchestra will continue until 12:00 o'clock.

### Fox Chairman of Ushers

Don Fox '47 will serve as general chairman of the first floor ushers for the San Carlo Opera company, which will appear in Omaha, March 24-25, with Truman Wood as his assistant. The music department will furnish ushers for the balcony.

Supers for the operas Carmen and Il Trovatore will be taken from the various high schools in the city.



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V-E Day

Opinion of the prophets is divided as to whether or not there will be a V-E day. One school contends there will be merely a protracted tapering off of hostilities until the German armies become utterly impotent.

Let it be an observance, not a celebration. At best the war will be only half over, and common sense dictates that we should not celebrate at the half.

Let it be a day of thanksgiving for the part that is over and of renewed devotion to the unfinished work which lies ahead of us: the fulfillment of our faith that final victory will bring a peace which is not just a brief armistice.

Let it be an occasion of prayer and humble gratitude. In Central's east hall is a plaque. Let us dedicate ourselves, as we dedicated this plaque, to those who have given and will give "that last full measure of devotion."

Tribute and Au Revoir

The Class of '45 registered four years ago last fall, and you shared with us all that has gone into the making of Central's Seniors. You seemed definitely to know what it was all about.

Tribute! and Au Revoir, GERRY CHAIT, Class of 1945

The Easter Parade

Swinging down the avenue on Eastern morning will be many of our jolli mademoiselles showing all their new finery. We'd call them Easter chicks —

We could write a sonnet on Barb Turk's Easter bonnet — Frills and thrills are featured in the yellow straw, pastel flowers, and black velvet bow.

Suits, always the most popular outfit in the Easter parade, are by no means left behind this year. On her way to church, June Cox proudly displays her lovely three piece suit of soft blue.

Marriann Saunders looks saucy and smart in a fresh straw hat of pink 'n' it has streamers down the back, too. Pat McKeen shows Easter sophistication when she wears, for the first time, a tailored black gabardine coat, set off by kelly accessories.

Still more suits are the order of the day. This time it's Claire Cassman who we find in a 'specially nice three piece outfit of gold. Helen Wilson comes happily over to greet us, and no wonder, because she was wearing a brand new skirt and jacket ensemble of soft pink.

Something new in indoor dress jackets is the brown leather, Indian-styled, direct from Mexico, jacket of Lucia Grove. The fringe on the shoulders, and the pointed scallops around the collar lend a different note.

At last, something new and unique in the way of suits is shown by Joan Cahill. The one in question is of heavy, white wool; the blazer jacket, pockets, and buttonholes are trimmed with rosy wool.

And so, since all things must come to an end (including columns and school), we wish you a wonderful vacation—for a week.

If I Were a Girl . . .

- I'd never wear slacks, and I'd never break dates. Beans Gilmore
I'd wear pan-cake, have a smooth line, and I'd be a good dancer. Bill Beck
I wouldn't wear pan-cake; I wouldn't peroxide my hair; but I would be unaffected and would wear boys' clothes. Truman Wood

Central Profile--

Her Heart Is Young and Gay

The day is a dark and depressing Monday. Through the sombre halls trudge bleary eyed "lost weekenders." Suddenly a girl appears around the corner, blonde curls bouncing and hazel eyes sparkling in a face with ruddy cheeks and retroused nose.



SUSIE CARSON

If you knew what I knew! . . . The Editor

These steps date back to Miss Quick's dancing class where chubby, red faced Susie in tiny skirt step—turn—step turned at the head of the ballet line.

Susie is equally glad to do a repertoire of hillbilly songs or impersonation of friends or teachers. As when Susie held her breath until her whole face was the shade of her puffed up rubicund cheeks. Then she exploded in a realistic and hilarious imitation of exasperated Miss X.

Susie's course in acting began in infancy when she and Phoebe called up a neighbor woman and mimicked maniacs. The woman, frightened be-

cause of rumors of an escaped lunatic in the neighborhood, called the police. A squad car sped to the Carson residence, and out popped a policeman demanding if anyone had been using the phone.

Susie loves food and Gregory Peck. All day she eats, concentrating on fifth hour, such rare tasties as stuffed figs, dried apricots, cheesits, fried chicken sandwiches and odd little club numbers composed of (1) choc-

olate, (2) squashed jelly plus peanut butter and honey. Her lunch is always gift wrapped in a brown paper sack and bow tied with green and white or pink and blue ribbons.

Periodically Susie surprises her family with something like upholstery material for a jumper or a dickey on backwards, or sending St. Patrick's card on Valentine's day.

In the days of "Billy the Kid" and "The Lone Ranger" at the Dundee, Susie and Phoebe gave the show a free ad by standing out in front in cowboy suits and luring in the reluctant customers.

But our Susie is far more than a cute little number good for laughs only, and she is very popular. Some girls are girls' girls, some girls are boys' girls but Susie is everybody's girl. As associate editor of the Register and president of the French club, she is of the brilliant type but not a true "brain" since she is human enough to have "evaded" school on the day of the "big blizzard" with Truman. Circumstances, however, brought them back finally.

This escape nature goes back to the second grade when Susie skipped one whole day all for love to play "cars" with a good for nothing play boy named Johnny.

Susie's good humor can only be destroyed by someone who doesn't speak to her in the halls. Now, however, everyone is careful to keep their Monday morale builder upper in a good temper for a peaceful life at Central.

—Arlene and Susie

Feathers from the Eagle's Nest

Since our aim is always to play fair with our victims, we wish to make this statement in retribution of past wrongs committed at our hands:

We, the undersigned, think that Joanie Vingers is a sweet, lovely, adorable girl; whose name will be a shining beacon in the annals of central . . . correcting an erroneous statement made in last week's column concerning John Pothan, —he can be seen most anytime, anywhere with Lucie Catalano . . . the road show started off with a bang featuring Marge Chambers and Lad Tesar leading the band . . . warming up in the wings for their act were Charlotte Dawson and Bill Newey . . . while Toey Muller and Joanie like demonstrated the "black bottom" backstage . . . a mighty raw deal was tossed off Friday night when Dave Gamel failed to show up at the road show . . . little Kay anyway needn't think she has enhanced her popularity any, nor need she suffer under the misapprehension that her feminine wiles are so potent . . . Dave's resistance was low . . . gone are the days when respect for the seniors was an integral part of an underclassman's life! . . . matching his eyes with the red and white striped tie he was wearing was Jim Swancutt—sans date lois fritts . . . wowing the gals in the dressing room with her tales of hollywood was Billie Rose Canterbury . . . we call 'em canterbury tales . . . (whiz bang, 1918) . . .

our thanks to the evanstonian for the following feature:

my high-school class in first-aid work was learning how to treat a case of fracture of the ribs, if one of these they'd meet. at random i had picked a girl on whom to demonstrate and passed cravats around her ribs and cried to her, "deflate." her breath passed out in little gasps with great force then i bound her. she lay inert, as if in pain with all the class around her. "you do it tighter then the doc." she whispered in my ear. i sought an explanation of these words, and then in fear i learned she was a fracture case. one rib or maybe two she'd cracked in falling down the stairs and to the doctor flew. he'd bound her up in proper style i'd bound her as per lecture. my face was red, for all i knew i'd caused a compound fracture.

—Peg and Barb

Applause Handshakes

Enthusiastic Audiences Acclaim Road Show

By Leah Mendelson and Dorothy Resnick

From the stirring strains of "Stars and Stripes Forever" in the opening patriotic medley to the popular hit "Accentuate the Positive" in the gay finale, the thirty-first Central High Road Show surpassed all expectations by its clever comedy, lilting music, and decorative sets.

The production, presented March 15, 16, and 17, under the direction of Mrs. Elsie Howe Swanson, assisted by student managers Howard Loomis and Jim Keith, was acclaimed by enthusiastic audiences in the capacity-filled auditorium.

A dimly lit stage, a misty curtain, and beautiful renditions of traditional Russian folk songs blended together to form the highlight of this year's Road Show, "Russian Fantasy," which featured ballet dancer Dorothy Deffenbaugh in the dreamy "Yearning for Home," and Mary Louise Kjellsen in an authentic Cossack dance.

Presenting a modern interpretive dance in the "Revue Moderne," Pat Hunt, Kenna Lois Hunt, and Menla Mills, wearing vivid black and red costumes, held the audience spellbound by their provocative version of "Begin the Beguine," as sung by vocalist Frances Bunch. Featured as a climax in the finale were Edsel Hudson and Udoxie Goodwin, "jitterbugs deluxe," as they danced to "Blues on Parade" against the musical background of Bob Bursik and his orchestra.

Repeating their successes of former years, the Crack Squad directed by Cadet First Lt. Hugh Follmer and Cadet Second Lt. Temple McFayden, and the Silent Platoon directed by Second Lts. John Pothan and Wray Scott again earned hearty applause for their intricate precision drills.

"Girls Must Talk," presented by the National Thespians, was a highly amusing comedy skit, depicting the thoughts and desires of shop window manikins. The second play sponsored by the Thespians, "Hicks Court," an original courtroom melodrama in which the pronounced beat of a boogie woogie piano served as the background, was well received by the audience.

Directed by Merwin Tilton, the ROTC band, conducted by Cadet First Lt. Lad Tesar, Cadet Second Lts. Bob Bursik and Sidney Nearenberg, and Cadet First Sgt. Marvin Hornstein, marched in from both sides of the auditorium to the stage where they offered a medley of songs dedicated to the armed forces.

Gales of laughter greeted the musical burlesque "Italian Salad," in which elaborate costumes, affected acting, and exaggerated operatic arias combined to produce the most hilarious skit to be presented by Mrs. Swanson. "Wreaths of Spring," a graceful ballet with colorful garlands, under the direction of Miss Marian Treat, was featured in the classical interlude.

Opening with the "Trolley Song" sung by Adnelle Vauck, the "Central Trolley" skit held the spotlight as the passengers stepped forth to give their versions of popular hits. "Always," sung by Bob Knight, followed the initial song, while Lois Brown's appealing "Honey-suckle Rose" was one of the most enjoyable moments in the Road Show. "An Irish Lullaby" by Seb Cortese, "Waiting" by Nancy Landwehrkamp, and "Getting Corns for My Country" by Marianne Sanders concluded the skit.

Giving such a realistic performance that many people were unaware of the fact that an actual record was being used, Barbara Cannon's impersonation of a "Smarty" and a neglected bride, "Waiting at the Church," were excellently enacted. An entertaining mode was introduced by Leonard Leftz as Carmen Miranda, while Charlotte Dawson and Bill Newey proved amusing in a musical comedy routine. Also in the "Variety" was Henry Pederson whose energetic interpretation of "Star Dust" was applauded.

Appearing throughout the Road Show, the Central High male quartette, consisting of Morris Beachy, Jim Keith, Alan Fleishman, and Allen Olson, gave a varied performance of both popular and semi-classical tunes in their distinctive arrangements. A fast moving domestic comedy was "Home Sweet Home," co-starring Helen Wilson and Dexter Peterson, which drew appreciative laughter from the audience.

Frank M. Rice, faculty sponsor, Dick Weekes, student manager, and the stage crew deserve much credit for the designing and construction of the lavish sets which added to the enjoyment of the production. The electricians, who were in charge of switchboard, stage lights, and spotlights, contributed greatly to the success of the Road Show, while the make-up classes, under the direction of Mrs. Amy Rohacek and Manya Friedel, make-up mistress, lent a professional tone to the performance.

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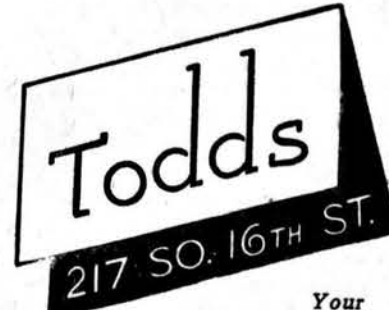
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# Executive Council Names Senior Class Committees

## Phelps, Blacker, Gray, Davis, Linsman Head Newly Chosen Groups

With the announcement of senior committees by the class officers and Miss Julia Carson, class executive sponsor, plans for graduation exercises and activities are now in progress.

Five committees are planning the senior banquet and dance. Katherine Phelps is chairman of the program committee which consists of Dave Elmore, Peggy Spiegel, Susie Losch, Marilyn Miller, and Sol Baumer.

Jeanne Blacker will head the table committee. Also on the committee are Burton Sistek, Peggy Whitlock, Willis Steinberg, Doris Biggs, and Leo Waltz. In charge of decorations for the banquet is Zoe Gray who will be assisted by Connie Grasso, Jim Keith, Thelma Chrisman, Doris Davis, Ramona Thompson, Amy Jo Bergh, Anna Jane Kulakofsky, and Margaret Rossister.

### Homeroom Treasurers Will Sell Tickets

Ticket sales will be handled by the homeroom treasurers: Charles Marks, 215; Sumner Porter, 235; and Gordon Johnson, auditorium. Salesmen are Carolyn Bukacek, Marjorie Chambers, Robert Chapman, Earl Elsassner, Gene Gilmore, Phoebe Low, Bill Rubin, John Schmidt, and Nancy Watkins. Dick Clay, Don Rice, and Bob Tully compose the dance committee.

Arrangements for commencement exercises will be handled by Joe Davis, chairman, and his committee composed of Bill Newy, Arlene Sconce, Pat Hunt, Dexter Peterson, Grace Smith, Barbara Curtis, Helen Kirk, and Joyce Petty.

Arnold Linsman is publicity chairman for the senior play. Members of his committees are John Morris, Patt Nordin, Thomas Page, Eileen Petrie, Ray Buresh, and Earl Shrago.

Senior play ticket sales are under the direction of the homeroom treasurers. Harry Alloy, Pepi Votava, Dorothy Resnick, Marge Bock, Mary Ann Korb, Bruce Poyer, Carolyn Driscoll, Salvatore Mangiameli, and Leah Mendelson will be ticket salesmen.

### Stamp, Bond Committees Listed

In charge of maintaining the almost perfect percentage in the three largest homerooms in the school are the Stamp and Bond committees. Rooms 215 and 235 boast a 100 per cent average; while the auditorium just misses with a 99 per cent average.

Truman Wood is chairman in 215. Julien Bahr, Susie Carson, Margorie Demorest, Belva Hawkins, Howard Loomis, Sally Meyer, Charles Pedersen, Sally Stult, and Lad Tesar compose the committee.

The sales in Room 235 are handled by Fred Barson, Chairman, with Beverly Barnes, Lorrie Carter, Dorothy Danielson, Jane Hunter, Dorothy Leibe, Vaunceel Mueller, Mary June Shick, Grace Smith, and Kay Willey serving as assistants.

Gordon Johnson has charge in the auditorium. Helping boost the sales are Mary Allyn, Rose Behn, Marilyn Carman, Irvin Gendler, Delbert Jacobson, Jeannette Larson, Nancy Low, Mary Montgomery, Shirley Rushlan, and Nancy Watkins.

The general senior play committee and the senior popularity contest committee will be announced soon.

### French Students See Movie

"Pepe Le Moko," a French movie starring Jean Gabin, was presented at the Muse theater recently.

This daring movie which takes place in the Kasbah is known to America as "Algiers," which starred Hedy Lamarr and Charles Boyer. Gabin, known for his charm and fine acting ability, thrilled the audience with his portrayal of Pepe Le Moko. Playing opposite him in the feminine lead was Mireille Bakim, a French actress.

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### LATIN CLUB

A rhymed parody of the adventures related in the first book of Virgil's Aeneid was presented Tuesday at the Latin club monthly meeting in Room 145 by members of Mrs. Bessie Rath-bun's Virgil class.

Betty Caldwell, Charles Beber, and Jonathan Goldstein, as Juno, Neptune, and Aeolus, respectively, were principal actors, while Jim Petring, Carol Munger, Ruth Lehmer, Jerry Ries, Sebastino Cortese, and Suzanne Bockes took minor parts in the skit.

### LININGER TRAVEL CLUB

Members of Lininger Travel club had a chance to meet Corliss Archer at their meeting, held last Thursday, when Eunice Feldman and Dorothy Stoklas presented "Dear Diary," a scene from the Broadway version of this famous play.

Before the program, Elizabeth Fullaway, club president, conducted a short business meeting. Plans for the O-Book picture were discussed; hand work made by the doll committee was displayed; and members were urged to check their committee membership.

### STAMP CLUB

The purposes of the Stamp club, which held its organization meeting March 21 in Room 219, are to promote and encourage stamp collecting at Central, according to Miss Pearl Judkins, faculty sponsor.

Plans for the club include speakers on stamps, trading sessions, and stamp auctions. In addition, the members will learn about the history and origin of various stamps.

Hubert Bath, Dick Kirkpatrick, Lyle McBride, and Kirby Smith, all sophomores, suggested that Miss Judkins help reorganize the club and serve as sponsors. Although not a stamp collector or an authority on stamps, Miss Judkins accepted the sponsorship of the club and hopes to get all interested pupils into the club.

### Sophomore Girls Elect

#### Joel Bailey President

Joel Bailey was elected president of the sophomore girls in an election held recently. The following girls were chosen to hold the other class offices: Nancy Porter, vice president; Nettie Cortese, secretary; and Marcia Tepperman, treasurer.

Betty Edwards will be top sergeant-at-arms, and Darlene Nelson, Kathryn Anway, Nadine Hancock, Jean Nordgren, and Rose Anania were elected to assist her as other sergeants-at-arms.

In addition to planning and presiding over meetings of the sophomore girls, these new class officers will march at the All-Girls' party to be given on April 13.

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## Graduates Win College Honors

Forty former Central High school students were among the 140 students honored at the annual Honors Convocation, March 12, at the University of Omaha. A group of 111 students was honored for high scholastic achievement during the past three semesters as well as 29 students who are attending the university on the various scholarships.

The list of Central High graduates honored at the meeting in the College of Arts and Sciences are Sylvia Blumkin, Sophie Blumkin, Ruth Bruhn, Dorothy Drishaus, Jane Griffith, Roberta Gross, Louis Hanish, Virginia Hefflinger, M. Jean Holland, Elinor Kay, Marion Keller, Abraham Klaver, Jacqueline Maag, Sam Maxwell, and Aloha Jan McConnelee.

Others are Patricia Neevel, Betty Nygaard, Adele Pangle, Magdalene Pickens, Betty Pospichal, Patricia Roessig, Eva Rundell, George Scholnick, Belle Sommer, H. Bonnie Stewart, and Mariella Wolf.

Students in the College of Applied Arts and Sciences who were honored are Beverly Drake, Phyllis Folda, Alvin Hertzberg, Dorothy Kaplan, Rose Kirshenbaum, Lucille Perelman, Gloria Petersen, and Eva Swanson.

Barbara Bergstrom, Donna Christensen, Beverly Drake, Marion Keller, Patricia Roessig, and Eva Swanson were among the 29 students honored who are attending the university on scholarships awarded last June upon graduation from Central High.

### War Department Reports Hickey Killed in Combat

Lt. John Hickey '40 was recently reported killed in the European theater of war while in an armored tank engagement, according to word received by his parents from the War department.

While at Central, Hickey was elected to the Junior Honor society for three years, and was a member of the 1940 O-Book staff and the stage crew.

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## 'Calico Ball'

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The "Story Book Ball" was presented in 1936, when Peggy Sheehan was chosen Miss Central II. The queen of the first all girls' party in 1935 was Betty Nolan, who was later to receive the title of Nebraska state golf champion.

Heading the party committees are Student Council members. Mary Ann Korb and Jean Roadhouse head the coronation committee. Elaine Mendelson is in charge of the courtesy committee, and the prizes for costumes will be awarded by the committee under the direction of Joel Bailey and Ruth Stewart. Lee Taylor is chairman of the floor show committee, and Charles Marks and Don Fox will be in charge of doors and refreshments.

Nancy Porter is in charge of publicity, while Dorothy Deffenbaugh will have charge of the invitation list. Margaret Knapple is the election manager, and as Council treasurer Patti Nordin is in charge of ticket sales. The grand march will be directed by Beki Finer and her committee.

Tickets for the ball will go on sale April 2, and can be purchased from members of the Student Council. Student tickets will sell for 30 cents, and spectators' tickets may be purchased for 50 cents.

### Grad Heads Omaha U. Class

Pierre Lawson '41 was elected president of the senior class at the University of Omaha in a recent student election, according to word received from the university. Lawson was elected to fill the vacancy left when the class president, John Shirck, was graduated at midyear.

## Ramblings 'Round Central

Penny Giannou '45, a Type VI student, has achieved the highest type average in Miss Marguerette Burke's fifth hour class. During a ten minute type test, Penny typed 65 words a minute.

Dick Flynn '44 has been elected to the freshman house committee of Willaird Strait, Cornell University, Ithica, New York.

Barbara Cosgrove '47 gave a whistling program in Miss Mary Angood's homeroom on Friday, March 2. "Begin the Beguine" and "A Little on the Lonely Side" were the numbers presented.

Janice Bliss '47 entered Central High on March 1, transferring from Cherry Point, N.C., a marine air station. Janice formerly attended school in New Bern, N.C.

In response to a request by Leon Smith, assistant superintendent of

schools, special emphasis on Safety First week was carried out in some of the Central High homerooms last week, and special discussions took place in Room 130.


Each day in homeroom pupils discussed safety first laws and rules, and Lila Mae Snyder '48 and Bill Hunter '47 wrote special themes on the subject. Some of the ideas brought forth in these discussions were fire prevention, safety in homes, and safety in handling dogs and other pets.

Shirley Miller '42 was married to Lieut. Robert Griley of Madison, Wisconsin on January 12. While at Central Shirley won many art awards and designed several sets for the Road Shows.

Returning to school this week is Al Milana '45, who has been absent for five weeks because of influenza.

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### Returning Golfers Boost Prospects

The prospects for a championship Eagle golf team are fairly bright this year with two standouts from last year returning to carry the Purple colors around the various city links this season.

Both Dick Knight and Sandy Crawford will automatically be given first team berths and will not be required to participate in the playoffs which will be held for the remaining two spots. Harold Ironfield, another performer from last year, may also be on hand. Regulars such as Walter Graves and Tom Shea will be missed; however, a happy note is the fact that Dick Knight has proved himself one of the finest young golfers in the state. Last summer Knight parred the difficult Field club course with a hot 72.

Last year the Creighton Prep golfers headed by Jim English easily won the Intercity championship by defeating teams from Central, South, and Tech. The Prepsters, who are expected to be equally tough this year, will be led by little Tommy O'Brien, who may give Dick Knight some close competition. Tech and South do not appear to have any outstanding golfers and will very likely occupy the bottom two places in the standings as they did last year.

### Eagle Sharpshooters Compete in Tourneys

During the last month, Central's rifle team fired in several notable matches, taking top honors in the Intercity meet, third place in the Hearst match, and eighth place in the Intercollegiate battle.

The Seventh Service Command Intercollegiate tournament is always one of the highlights of the season. With schools from eight states participating in the 1,000 point match our rifle men placed eighth with a total of 962 points.

In the Intercity match Sidney Nearenberg, who is on the high five, lived up to his reputation by firing 29 consecutive bullseyes. Richard Stewart, who is also on the high five, was high scorer with a total of 370 points out of a possible 400 points.

The high five for the present season will be formally announced at the military ball tonight.

### Guess Who?

Age—17  
Weight—135  
Height—5 feet, 7 inches  
Eyes—Brown  
Hair—Black  
Nickname—"Mr. Beebe"  
Activities—Track and football  
Hobby—Women  
Pet Peeve—People without a sense of humor  
Last Guess Who was Frank Slogr.

### Fifty Hopefuls Turn Out for Pre-Season Baseball Discussion

Hoping for continued good weather and at least three weeks of preliminary practice, fifty or more baseball prospects turned out to discuss the diamond sport with Coach Vernon Ekfelt last Monday. Lettermen and promising Legion players were issued warm-up equipment Tuesday and Wednesday, and the squad engaged in several outdoor drills during the first week of practice.

The weather is still the main factor in Coach Ekfelt's baseball hopes. With a month of practice, Central will be able to present a pretty formidable entry, even though other teams would also be farther developed. Last year's stormy spring weather permitted the squad to play only two out of ten games on schedule, and batting eyes were just beginning to develop when the season was over. Early practice is especially advantageous when lettermen are numbered, as is the case this year.

### Lacy to Head Mound Crew

Central's keynote this year will probably be pitching. Jack Lacy, a junior who lost only one game last year, will head the list with lanky Frank Slogr a potential great if he can muster some of Lacy's control.

Coach Ekfelt anticipates a pitchers' league this year with the chuckers doing most of the commanding and the sluggers in the minority. If this proves to be the case, the Eagles will be highly qualified to figure in the title running.

If hitting ability figures more in the race this year, Coach Ekfelt will be able to hold up this end with Clipper Weekes and Bud Abboud, both better than 350 hitters, and Dick Duda and Corey Wright who are dependable at the plate.

### Strong Opposition Seen

Coach Ekfelt pointed out that competition will be as strong this season as it usually is. On paper, South and Prep look best. The Packers will have their last year's entire Legion team intact with pitchers Bob All and Ed Zawada back to cause trouble. Prep lost all-staters Loren Babe and Bob Koraleski, but still has Wickencamp and Ferryman to perform on the mound.

Benson, playing its second baseball season this year, will present Dutcher, Thune and Green in leading roles, while Tech has its Legion team all back except for Danze. North is always strongest in baseball, and will be tough this year with Dinzole and Zich returning.

### Davis, Pisasale to Lead Tennis Team

Although tryouts have not yet been held, the outlook for this year's tennis team does not look as bright as in the past.

The Eagle netmen came through to cop the state and Missouri Valley titles last year, but six of the boys that helped turn the trick have been lost through graduation. Among them are Jim Harris, Central's ace singles player, and Jim Lyle, who was one-half of a championship doubles team.

Only one letterman, Dave Davis, will be on hand to bolster Purple hopes. Davis, who will act as captain and coach, is a four year veteran who will take his turn at singles this year. He has been Central's chief threat in doubles in the past. Fred Pisasale, who was a squad member last year, is the only other man seemingly assured of a spot on the team. Pisasale was a standout on Vernon Ekfelt's wrestling squad the past season.

Another man who shows considerable promise is Tom Page, champion at Camp Vermillion, who will be making his first tryout for the Central team. Pete Randall and Johnny Schroeder, freshman, could prove troublesome for anyone trying for the team. Davis plans to hold the tournament for positions as soon as weather permits.

### Basketball, Wrestling Lettermen Announced

Coach Vic Jennings has announced letters for the following members of the basketball team for this season:

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|------------------|----------------|
| Bud Abboud       | Bruce Poyer    |
| Joe Frank        | Frank Slogr    |
| Steve Lustgarten | Robert Stedman |
| Dick Minken      | Corey Wright   |
| Jim Moore        | Sumner Porter  |
| Dexter Peterson  | Manager        |
| Chris Petrow     |                |

Coach Ekfelt has awarded wrestling letters to the following boys for the 1944-5 season:

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|--------------------|---------------|
| Charles Beber      | Herbert Reese |
| Marshall Boker     | Richard Reese |
| Meril Evans        | Jerry Ries    |
| George Fowler      | Louie Rotella |
| Russ Gorman        | Joe Scigliano |
| Sam Kals           | Jack Tamai    |
| Manfred Kreitstein | Joe Vacanti   |
| Dave Mackie        | Robert Zevitz |
| Henry Nyberg       | Frank Thomas  |
| John Nyberg        | Manager       |
| Fred Pisasale      |               |

## Cindermen Start Training for Tough 1945 Track Schedule

### Gym Janes

Three cheers to Nettie Cortese's team for winning every game they played in the volley ball tournament. They deserve to be the winners, as their teamwork and cool-headed playing won the crown for them. The three teams tying for second place are: Bennett, Kittoe, and Hughes, with five wins each. Wednesday they played for the final second place.

Next on girls' sports is the ever popular game of baseball. Miss Marian Treat hopes for some good material this season, and the contestants will be given the chance to choose which team they want. Any ten girls who want to play together should hand in their names to Miss Treat in the gym office.

Delores Hughes, last year's advanced champion, will hold her title in ping-pong for another year. Her match with Jo Weir was fast moving and both players showed excellent form. Hughes won, 21-19, 21-9, 21-13.

### Rotella, Vacanti Seek National Championship

Two of the most outstanding wrestlers Central has ever developed in the middle weight divisions left last Wednesday for the National AAU wrestling tournament to be held at Dallas, Texas, during the week of spring vacation. They are Joe Vacanti and Lou Rotella, who will seek national recognition in the toughest meet in the country. Joe Scarpello is the only Centralite who has ever taken the national title in this rugged elimination meet which brings together state champions and others from all parts of the country.

### Marshall Leads Dashes; Schmidt Heads Weights

Without being optimistic, Coach "Pop" Schmidt has given indications that the prospects for a successful 1945 track season are shaping up favorably; however, it would be foolish to predict any outstanding performances for any of the tracksters since all practices thus far have been devoted almost entirely to conditioning and fundamentals.

### Central Has Well-Rounded Squad

Forming the nucleus of the team will be sprinter Cleveland Marshall who was a gold medal winner in the 220 yard dash at the state carnival last year at Lincoln. He will also compete in the 100 yard dash and form the backbone of the sprint relay team that was so successful last season.

Other members of the relay team that established a new record at the Tee Jay relays in 1944 are Don Brill, a fine athlete, Aaron Dailey, and Al Thompson. Brill and Dailey, originally dash men, may be groomed for the 440 yard dash where there is a deficit of material.

In the longer distances, Jack Solomon, a point-getter last year, and Alan Olsson, a highly regarded prospect from Chicago, will carry the major part of the burden.

The job of handling the weights will be ably carried on by John Schmidt and John Pothan, both lettermen.

### Coach Schmidt Lacks Jumpers

One dark cloud hanging over Coach Schmidt's head is the scarcity of jumpers. He lost all of last year's aggregation through graduation, and as yet has found no prospects to replace them.

### TRACK SCHEDULE

- Apr. 21—Thomas Jefferson Relays
- Apr. 28—Omaha U. Invitational
- May 5—Missouri Valley Meet at Lincoln
- May 11-12—State Tournament
- May 17-18—Intercity Meet

Although the Central High cagers did display occasional flashes of the brilliance that pre-season experts predicted would carry the Eagles to a coveted Intercity championship, the boys disappointed most expectations by registering one of the poorest records in Eagle cage history.

Many opinions have been expressed by sports writers and fans concerning the failure of the veteran-studded Purple quintet to win but five games while losing several times that number. One fact, however, is agreed by all. When the Central basketweavers did get hot, their unfortunate opponents were in for a four-alarm fire.

While chatting with Dick McCann, popular Omaha radio sports caster and old time basketball pupil and coach, yours truly picked up an interesting and unusual sidelight as expressed by a gentleman who has seen and covered more basketball in his day than you and I would see in a whole lifetime.

"The trouble with this year's Central High aggregation, as I see it," commented McCann, "is the fact that they have been unable to muster enough height, with the exception of Frank Slogr, on the front line and consequently have had a rugged time getting their hands on the ball. Slogr does a great job, but his height can not suffice for the drouth of able, tall lads."

This disadvantage plus the fact that the boys were compelled to change from the modified fast break style of ball taught by Stu Baller to the firehouse brand instructed by Vic Jennings seem to sum up, logically, the handicaps that the Eagles fought vainly to overcome.

Win or lose, the Eagle cagers showed the same spirit and fight that has characterized Central athletic teams of the past, and provided an abundance of thrills and action to keep cage rooters talking far into the summer months. With that note we mark fins to another basketball season with most optimistic hopes and wishes for a 1945-1946 Purple hoop championship.

Although the sports staff failed to venture out on the well-known limb for all-city basketball predictions, we now commit ourselves to the much more difficult task of choosing an all-state lineup. In violation of the customary procedure, no vote was taken among the coaches or officials, so this imaginary team is purely the creation of your sports writers.

- F.....Gayle Lebsack, Lincoln Central
  - C.....Frank Slogr, Omaha Central
  - F.....Glenn Richter, Benson
  - G.....Ric Schmidt, Scottsbluff
  - G.....Subby Salerno, Creighton Prep
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