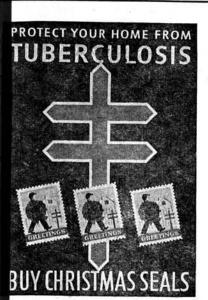
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on of civilian health by this camn is a necessary part of our home nse. When tuberculosis is deed at its early stages, it can be d in less time and at less cost. TB campaign has done much to ent and stamp out this dreaded e plague, so it is our duty to now to the Christmast Seal fund fight this insidious enemy of man.

## irl Reserves ponsor Party

ne annual world fellowship pro-, sponsored by the Girl Reserves, held Saturday evening, December the YWCA. The events are held aise funds for YWCA and Girl rve clubs in the forty-eight tries served by the organizations also to promote a better underling of foreign countries. The ram for the evening consisted of s and folk dancing and the prodof some of the countries were

ntral's club was responsible for Czecheslovakian exhibition and al students participated in the ram. Doris Krecek and Alice Noy presented a Czech dance with oup of girls from the Sokol gymc class. JoAnn Hruska, accomed by miss Angeline Tauchen. two songs. Elaine Breen, Eli-Haykin, Doris Levenson, Jean nson, Marsha London and Ar-Marenof presented a number of stinian songs and folk dances.

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cial dancing and refreshments wed the program.

## oldstein, Lehmer ore High in Test

fty-one students made grades of one hundred in the 150-word is vocabulary test which was givall English VII and VIIa classes ember 20.

e highest score, 143 words corwas made by Jonathan Gold-Other high grades were as fol-Ruth Lehmer, 138; Marsha on, 132; Rodney Carlson, 128; nne Bockes, Fred Scheuermann,

Steve Swartz, 125; Eunice Feld-123; Sally Sears, 123; Margery er, 122; Charles Beber, 121.

he median among all classes takthe test at Central was 89, two ts higher than the national aver-The same test will be given again etime in January to show the volary improvement accomplished he tests.

## School Board Plans Ground Improvement

**Program Would Rearrange** Drill Field, Paths, Drives

Plans for the improvement of the Central High school grounds were authorized last Tuesday at a meeting of school board officials.

extensive construction program, only the work on the ROTC drill field will be begun immediately. The field on the southwest corner of the grounds is to be filled in, terraced, and enclosed with a fence.

Included in the other proposed improvements are the removal of the cement driveway leading from Twenty-Second street and repairs for the leaky roofs over the engine and boiler rooms also on the west side.

The building of a new service drive, to be constructed from Davenport ponsored by the National Tuber- street, has been proposed to replace the old one which will be removed.

To avoid continuation of the diagonal trails worn by students in cutting across the grounds, a beautification committee will place shrubs in such a way that traffic over the lawns may be prevented.

The cost of the intended program of improvements will total more than \$20,000. However, except for the drill field and several smaller items, the actual construction of the major projects will wait for authorization upon the formation of a city-wide committee on schools.

## Students Opposed To Sharing A-Bomb According to Survey

In the second Institute of Student Opinion poll, taken Tuesday, November 27, 222 Central High students expressed their opinions on the atomic bomb and the factors which influence their thinking.

Pupils from various American history, civics, physics, modern problems, and music appreciation classes answered the following questions:

(1) Do you believe that the atomic bomb makes a large U. S. Army and Navy unnecessary? Boys: Yes-48, No-67, No opinion-4; Girls: Yes-32, No.—67, No opinion—4.

(2) Do you thing that the United States should share the atomic bomb secret with other nations? Boys: Yes -46 No-70, No opinion-3; Girls: Yes-39, No-55, No opinion-9.

(3) In your opinion, which of the following influences your thinking to the greatest extent?

(a) Parents and other members of my family: Boys-37, Girls-

(b) My school teachers: Boys-5,

Girls-2. (c) My close friends ("the gang"):

Boys-18, Girls-17. (d) Community and student opin-

ion ("What will people say?"): Boys-11, Girls-9 Magazines and newspapers:

Boys-30, Girls-23.

(f) Radio: Boys-10, Girls-9.

(g) Movies: Boys-2, Girls-3. (h) School books: Boys-3, Girls

(i) Church: Boys-3, Girls-4.

## Business Class Grads

Acquire Jobs Rapidly

down-town stores.

Twenty-three students, who graduated from the vocational education course instructed by Gilbert Barnhill after school, have secured temporary positions as clerks or assistants at

Madeline Molletta, Richard Glissman, Keith Steele, Virginia Petricek, and Joan Simon work at Brandeis. Penney's hired Mary Hawkins, Marilyn Hultman, and Joy Olsson. Three students are assisting at Robinson's: Jean Kaplan, Frances Fisher, and Dorris Bennett, Orchard Wilhelm also employed Eleanor Wachter, Sam Milone, and Wayne Helgeson. Joan Plotkin and Eugene Hampton obtained positions at Sears.

Miscellaneous jobs are as follows: Edwin Moore, Dr. Goldware; Mitzi Badger, Aquila; Max Maire, Dixon's Cafe; Alvin Burstein, Canar Drug; Adnelle Vauck Kilpatrick's Dorothy Parilman, Kresge's and Dorothy Fox, Goldstein's.

# Romantic Opera, 'H.M.S. Pinafore' Features Gay Music, Bright Choruses

## Although the proposal outlines an No Manpower Shortage Here



GROUPED AROUND Ann Hesler, from left to right, are Jack Focht, Jim Hiltabidel, Roswell Howard, and Frank Thomas

## Ruth Fossum Talks to Club

"Baguio, 180 miles up in the mountains of Manila, is the summer capital of the Philippines and is also the vacation spot of many of the wealthy people, including the President of the Philippines," stated Ruth McDonald Fossum in her travel talk on the Philthe Lininger Travel club, Thursday, November 15.

The business section of Manila is entirely different from cities of the States. When the business houses close at noon, the working populace goes home to lunch, changes clothes. and returns to work at two o'clock.

The houses are so close together that fires, which are frequent, prove disasterous. However, when an apartment building does burn, the roomers welcome having a new building. The interior of their houses are different in one respect. They have no basements for they don't need furnaces, and most of the land is filled-in land, once having been a bay or swamp.

As a custom, every house usually employs a Philippino house boy to do the cooking, a laundress that works all day six days a week, and a gardener. The general pay for a houseboy is from \$10 to \$12 a week.

The school year is different from that of the United States. It runs from early June through March. Their system of teaching is the same as ours, with trade schools, normal schools, convents, and religious schools scattered over the island.

#### Former Custodian, John Wichert, Receives Gifts

The old saying "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" was proved true last week by members of Central's faculty and office staff.

John Wichert, janitor at Central for many years, has been transferred to Central grade school; and in appreciation of his years of service to this school, the office staff and faculty presented him with a barrage of gifts designed to make smoking easier for

Among the gifts was a war bond, a leather tobacco pouch, an assortment of pipe tobacco, and a package of pipe cleaners.

## Students Participate In Radio 'Quiz Bee'

The "Quizzer Bee", a KOIL radio program, was held in the journalism office, November 19, with Register staff members participating. The quiz, given Monday afternoon, was recorded and broadcast at 8:30 Monday evening on KOIL.

Each contestant, who was chosen ippines, at the monthly meeting of at random by announcer Lee Barron because of the design into which a and quiz-master Virgil Sharpe, selected his own category. By winning one dollar for the first question, another dollar for the second, and three dollars for the final one, each student could earn as much as five

Those receiving five dollars were Irene Soiref, Donald Nogg, Corey Wright, and Delores Cohn; Donald Green and Margery Turner were awarded two dollars each

Winning one dollar were Barbara Carleman, Lee Taylor Elizabeth Carignan, Caryl Bercovici, and Eleanore Bernstein. Other participants were Gloria Polsky, Suzanne Bockes, and Alice Seig.

Jonathan Goldstein became eligible to win a one hundred dollar scholarship to any college he wishes by first answering the special scholarship question. Later Jonathan will compete with other school winners of the scholarship question in a contest which KOIL gives every six

#### Red Cross Approaches 100% Membership Goal

The Junior Red Cross membership drive for 100 per cent enrollment has almost reached its goal with \$200 contributed thus far by the students.

The homerooms having 100 per cent are as follows: 118, 120, 121, 129, 130, 136, 137, 149, 211, 229, 237, 240, 312, 313, 318, 336, 336, and 348. Mrs Mary Kern and Miss Virgene MacBride held an auction in which \$16 was raised to furnish their money for the drive.

The Red Cross Council has undertaken "The Book for Russia" campaign which started December 3 and will last to Dec. 14. A box was placed in each homeroom for books which students bring. Paper covered novels are not acceptable, nor those translated from other languages.

# Gaspar, Muxen Star in Roles Of Sailor, Captain's Daughter

By CHARLOTTE KATZMAN

With Joan Muxen and Harold Gaspar cast in the romantic leads. rehearsals for the opera "H.M.S. Pinafore" by Gilbert and Sullivan, which will be presented December 7 and 8 at 8 o'clock in the Central High school auditorium, are nearing completion.

"Pinafore," which is under the direction of Mrs. Elsie Howe Swanson, assisted by Mrs. Alice Ingraham, is a nautical opera telling the story of a British sailor's love for his captain's daughter. Harold and Joan take the roles of Ralph Rackstraw, the British tar, and Josephine, the captain's daughter.

The curtain rises on a jovial chorus of sailors singing of their merits as they swab the decks, and polish the rails in preparation for the visit of the First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., as portrayed by Douglas White.

# Colorful Pottery To Be Exhibited

Sponsor Display Dec. 10 A collection of Soriano Ceramics will be on exhibition in the east hall display case under the sponsorship of the Greenwich Village Art club,

**Greenwich Village Artists** 

beginning on December 10. Several examples of the ceramics are on display now in Room 249. The groups consist of trays and framed tiles, some hand painted and some stenciled, covering a range of subjects such as landscapes, caricatures, and figures and floral designs executed in gay colors. Also, there are bowls, plates, and book ends.

A wooden box with detachable tile top to use as a tea tile is decidedly practical, as are the square coasters indented to keep the glass from sliding. The compartment trays for cheese and crackers are of natural wood with richly decorated center tiles. The framed tiles or plaques may also be used as trays if desired. The bowl en-

titled "Birds" is of special interest

motif of music notes is carried out. Some of the tile titles give one an idea of the diversity of subjects, as for instance: "Central American Park", "Man with Goose", "Wine", "Summer Afternoon", "Girl with Birds", and "Banjo Player." In the three tile unit trays or plaques, there are plates entitled "Flowers", "Dancers", and "South American Scene." One outstanding plate in the group

is called "Harlequin." Esteban Soriano is well known for the feeling and the color which he carries into his cartoons and illustrations of South America where he lived in his youth. His versatility is demonstrated in his underglass decorations in ceramics. Mr. Soriano has had his work shown in numerous museums and the present collection will be on tour throughout the year.

## Member of Office Staff Leaves Post

Mrs. Thelma Stenlund leaves Central this week to return to her home and housekeeping after working in the office for thirty months. LeRoy R. Stenlund, ART 1/C, her husband, who has been a radar technician with the Carrier Aircraft Service Unit attached to the Atlantic fleet, is being discharged from the Navy after two and one-half years of service.

Since her graduation from Central, Mrs Stenlund has worked in the office on and off for ten years. She has been employed in the school since her husband entered the Armed

The Stenlunds will live at their home at 1331 South 51 Avenue, which they kept during the war years. After a long rest and time "to see those hockey games", Mr. Stenlund will return to work the first of next year.

Their song is interrupted by the entrance of Little Buttercup, the bumboat woman, as played by Ann Hesler, who comes aboard to sell ribbons and tobacco to the crew. While vending her wares, Buttercup mystifies the men by hinting of an important secret which only she knows.

Roswell Howard as Captain Corcoran, the commander of the Pinafore, comes on deck, and after greeting his crew, tells Buttercup of his plight. Sir Joseph wishes to marry Josephine, but she shuns his attention while secretly pining for Ralph.

#### Sir Joseph Visits the Pinafore

Amid the flutter of skirts and hankies, Sir Joseph's female relatives skip on board the Pinafore to herald the arrival of their exalted relation, who is accompanied by Hebe, his favorite cousin, as played by Barbara Russum.

While Sir Joseph speaks with the captain about Josephine, Ralph offers her his love and is rejected. In despair, he attempts suicide, but is saved at the crucial moment, when Josephine repents and confesses her love for him.

The couple plan to elope that very night, but are warned by the villain Dick Deadeye, portrayed by John Campbell, that their plan will not succeed. Deadeye informs Captain Corcoran of the intended elopement, and the two are waiting on deck to foil the scheme when Ralph, Josephine, and the crew come tiptoeing on.

#### Lovers Are Reunited

Upon hearing of the proposed marriage, Sir Joseph exercises his full wrath by ordering Ralph confined to a dungeon cell, but the unfortunate sailor is saved from prison when Buttercup divulges her long concealed

The lovers are reunited and Sir Joseph turns to his cousin Hebe for solace and love, as the curtain falls on a joyous group of laughing sailors and blushing girls.

Heading the crew as the boatswain and his mate are James Hiltabidel and Frank Thomas. Crew members are Alvin Abramson, Buck Allen. Jack Asbyll, Gordon Auguston, Rodney Bertleshofer, Rodney Carlson, Ray Dappert, Joe Dewell, Martin Faier, Don Ehrenberg, Alan Fleishman, Bill Fitzsimmons, Jack Focht, Art Heiam, George Hudson, Robert Johnson, Don Johnson, Dick Mallo, Richard Miller, Jack Peterson, Robert Price, Lewis Roccaforte, Leonard Seagren, Phillip Sheridan, George Slenker, Jack Solomon, Keith Steele, Jack Street, Wilford Sykora, Wayne Thomas, Hugh Wells, Bob Wolverton, and Mason Zerbe.

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#### Stamp Club Elects Officers

Plans for future activities of the Stamp club and an election of officers climaxed the third meeting of the Stamp club, held in Room 219, November 28.

The club's officers elected at the meeting were Fred Scheuermann. president; Martin Faier, vice-president; Lyle McBride, secretary; Ed Moore, treasurer; and Larry Nordin, sergeant-at-arms.

# Building for the Future

Is the average high school student's knowledge of current events limited to hasty glances at the headlines and the compulsory reading of "American Observers" once a week in history or civics classes?

If young people are to think and act intelligently in settling the problems which they will meet as tomorrow's citizens, they must begin today to build a background of knowledge and experience in formulating opinions.

And yet courses such as journalism and debate, which emphasize such training, are ignored by the great majority of students. A recent attempt to organize a daily class in international relations failed simply because, in a school of 1,700, there was not a sufficiently large number of students interested in such a course to make a class practical.

Journalism classes, which will be organized soon, provide numerous opportunities to acquire a broader knowledge of world affairs and problems, giving access to a wide selection of current books and periodicals. To those students who qualify for journalism, it offers a chance to become acquainted with personalities, events, and trends of opinion in the news as they study the makeup and the written style of the news itself. In much the same way debate groups, though more limited in the training offered, teach students to be aware of the world in which they live.

Such courses perform the all-important function, so often forgotten in classrooms, of teaching, not merely a knowledge of facts, but the ability to think seriously and independently. If those students who think they dislike current events could discover through these classes the interest and color contained in the news they would forget to avoid so carefully all forms of serious discussion or editorial comment in their reading.

## The Bookshelf

SOVIET POWER By Edgar Snow

THE PATTERN OF After several unsatisfying trips to Russia Winston Churchill is supposed to have said in despair, "Russia is a riddle wrapped in an

enigma." Under the barrage of conflicting stories about Russia, the average American can only agree with Mr. Churchill.

Edgar Snow's book, "The Pattern of Soviet Power," seems to be the best, most concise unwrapping of the Russian enigma yet produced by an American correspondent. Although written before V-E day, the book easily bridges the still short gap between Russia at war and Russia at peace.

Even at present one of the biggest problems facing European reconstruction is the Russian attitude toward the conquered Balkans. Without whitewashing, Snow untangles this puzzle, too. Although the Soviet Union does not intend to bolshevize the conquered countries, there is only one course open to those nations: friendship with the Soviet. The complete ruin of large-scale capitalism by the Nazis will push economic policies from Poland to Bulgaria toward socialism. Snow's story of German efficiency in exterminating the people and in laying waste the land of eastern Europe should convince any skeptic.

By far the most valuable chapters are those on Stalin and the little-known members of the powerful Soviet Politburo. Stalin appears as the hero, almost the god of the Russian people—a position which is hard for a less hero-worshiping American to understand; Snow's Marshai is not the capricious dictator of the alarmists. But the newest important information is Snow's very brief sketch of the never-interviewed men around Stalin-Zhdanov, Malenkov, Andreyev.

Snow closes by demolishing the myth that Russia is "going capitalist." Yet, while the foreign office was stupidly hostile toward newsmen, the Russian individual was pleasingly frank and critical of his government - a sign of increasing democratic attitude. "Only when Russia feels strong and secure in a peaceful world can it set up a political democracy, and only then will the doors to understanding between Russia and the capitalist powers be fully open. Those doors are now at least ajar. It is our responsibility as much as Russia's to see that they are not again slammed shut," Snow concludes.

For the puzzled citizen, this unpretentious book is an excellent guide to Russian policy. By living with the peoples of Russia and China, Edgar Snow has learned to understand them and to make them understandable to the American. The American should now understand.

Jonathan Goldstein

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# Command Performance

Harold Gaspar

All of his experiences are exciting, he's full of snappy answers, and his secret ambition is to get on the good side of Miss McBride. He sings first tenor in the a cappella choir, wants to study medicine, and would love to find a woman who can drive. His nick-name is "Hal" and he has the romantic lead opposite Joan Muxen in "H. M. S. Pinafore." The name is Harold Gaspar.

When the 1945 Ralph (pronounced Raif) Rackstraw walks out on Central's stage this Friday and Saturday night he won't be facing his first audience. Harold's a veteran of this year's Fall Play and has been up against "trials" all of his life.

Harold's favorite pastime is girls, good books and parties. He thinks the ideal way to spend his time would be to be marooned seven days out of every week on a small desert island-with six gorgeous gals wandering hyah and thar.

Harold's very musically minded—classical preferred, but he doesn't mind popular. Jive is strictly out. One of his favorite classics is the "Warsaw Concerto" and he carefully cherishes his record of "Martha" by Caruso.

Any girl has a chance with Hal but he'll strike a particularly good note with her if she's about 5' 4", 112 pounds, has nice eyes and an interesting figure. No one fills these specifications at present. In fact, it's open season on Harold Gaspar!

Pet peeves with Harold are independent women, swooners, Van Johnson fans, and women with one-word vocabularies. His flicker favorites are Ronald Colman and Bette Davis, and his tastes in food run to the inevitable steak and French fries.

All during the war Harold kept waiting to feel the effects of the manpower shortage but he's untouched as yet. He believes one of the reasons why is his little brother who's good looking and speaks such fluent Spanish he keeps everybody guessing, including Harold. "Girls are always falling for him and I wind up playing second fiddle to a ten year old. It's embarrassing!!"

Have you ever taken music five periods a day? If not, you don't know what you're missing, according to the feminine star of this year's opera, Joan Muxen. Anytime, from second hour through sixth, our Lily Pons can be found in Room 145 singing her heart out.

Joannie is 5' 3" tall and weighs 113 pounds. Her brown eyes fairly sparkle when she relates some exciting experience, but they quickly dim when she has to drink milk. She says her life would be perfect if the cows would only go on strike.

She has a different attitude from most people on being tied down. She thoroughly believes in going steady because "you never have to worry where your next date is coming from." She loathes tall men, since she is so tiny, and wants "the one" to be one or two inches taller. He also has to love music.

Joan has lived and breathed music all her life. When she was six and in pigtails, she began daily voice exercises. Her grandmother was her teacher and made practice compulsory.

Outside of music, Joannie loves murder and mystery. In what little spare time she can squeeze out she reads thrilling mystery books or goes to see Dana Andrews. Our future "Met" star is not the swooning type. She can't see how anyone can look twice at Van and Frankie. "They both ruin everything they try to do."

Her embarrassing moments are "too embarrassing and certain people would never speak to me again." but she did mention dropping her bracelet during the opera last year, and causing a riot. . . . Joan has high aspirations for her future career. After graduation in '47 she plans to enter the music conservatory at Rochester. Some day she hopes to be a musical comedy star, for which lines she is piling up her "A Star Danced" experience Friday and Saturday nights.

Lee and Maggie

## The Latest Wrinkle

Having a wonderful time . . . wish you were here . . we're simply surrounded by sleek chics!!! F'rinstance, there's Kathy Peterson, a beautiful blonde in a brown-and-white shepherd-checked wool sports dress . . . the sleeves are long with tight cuffs . . . the skirt has three deep pleats and a narrow brown leather belt . . . and then there's petite Fifi Feldman, who has a gorgeous suit with a kelly-green skirt and a box-jacket . . . the back and sleeves of the jacket are brown pin-stripe, while the front is the same kelly-green material of the skirt . . . as an added attraction there are the brown pin-stripe slacks which accompany the ensemble . . .

Gert, you simply hain't lived until you've seen Barb Ludwig's royal-blue gabardine dress . . . 'tis tailored with a full skirt and a v-neck collar . . . the subject of gabardine dresses can't pass by without mention of Joan Nickerson's charming tailored grey dress . . . with it she wears a wide grey belt with a huge silver buckle . . . the v-neckline is collarless, and the skirt has two side pockets . .

Chaz Katzman has been floating around the old bastille, with a solid silver ring brought back from Germany by her favorite brother-in-law Lou . . . the ring has quite a history . . 'tis the death's head sign of the storm troopers . . . about dropped our teeth when we saw Alice Van Brunt . . . Al has an adorable white cardigan jacket with brown piping and a brown pleated skirt to match . . . with it she wears a round-neck bow-

Closing time is drawing near, but before we go, we must tell you about the identical fuchsia cardigan suits of "B" Caldwell and Sal Sears . . . The suits are made on dressmaker lines with three large buttons on the jackets . . . the skirts are plain with one kick pleat in front . . . with them "B" and Sal wear white silk blouses which are round necked and have pleated

Now that you know what a paradise is Central, Gert, we'll sign off - just hoping you aren't too terribly

Wit lerve-Zan and Janie

## Tempestuous Climate

Don't know why

There's no sun up in the sky . . . (Dirty window . . .)

Since my man and I ain't together . . . Keeps rainin' all the time . . .

(Roses are red . . . Violets are blue . . Rain on the roof-top

Reminds me of you . . . Drip!)

Life is bare . . . Gloom and misery everywhere . . .

Stormy weather . . . (Editor's note: Song title accidentally mentioned.)

Just can't keep my poor self together . . . (Hmm . . . when will those two-way stretches be

back on the market????) So weary all the time . . .

When he went away The Blues walked in and met me . . . If he stays away

Old Rockin' Chair will get me . . . (Bragging or complaining???) All I do is pray

I'll graduate from Central And walk in the sun once more . . . Can't go on . . .

Everything I had is gone . . . (Finance company . . .) Since my man and I ain't together . . .

(When he left me I thought I'd die . . . But I'm not one to sit and sigh . . . Or mope . . . and groan . . . and sob . . . and cry . . .

I'm marchin' with a second looey!!!) Keeps rainin' all the time . . . (Burma Shave!!!)

Mildred Pierce

## Bus Turns Squad Car

"Get on the Crack Squad and learn to ride the bus without hands"-the motto of the members of the Crack Squad. Each night they take home a seemingly ten ton gun and helmet in addition to their books.

There are several techniques which seem to be in favor at the present time. The member may carry his books, gun and helmet in one hand, leaving the other hand free. The aggregate weight of this load is about 12 pounds, and the arm and hand soon become numb; or he can balance the gun on his shoulder and place the helmet on his head, but then strangers look at him until he feels that he belongs in a circus side show.

The third and probably most comfortable method is to carry the gun and helmet in one hand, and books in the other. This system is the best until he attempts to board a bus or street car. After throwing the gun down, or forcing it on one of his cohorts, our victim fumbles through his pockets for the fare. About this time a book or two drops, making the situation more interesting and complex; but soon everything is well in hand again, and the member boards the bus with a triumphant air.

Confidently he deposits his nickel in the little box and prepares to battle for a seat or a few cubic inches of standing room. The bus driver (who has a devilish streak in him), waits until our subject is reasonably well settled and then nonchalantly asks for his card. Our hero may either stalk off the bus in an attempt to make the driver feel like a heel, or may once more go through the process of unloading, getting his card out, and reloading. In the ensuing ride, the driver finds it necessary to stop suddenly several times and to select the roughest part of the street.

And people envy the members of the Crack Squad!

By Steve Swartz

Disc Dope: The three releases made this week, two by Columbia and one by Capitol, are strictly fine. The two new Columbias include a new tune disced by Benny Goodman entitled "Symphony". The song was a favorite of the servicemen in the E.T.O. and is adapted from an old French folk song. It features Liza Morrow on the vocal. The reverse is "My Guy's Come Back", a future hit, with B.G. and Miss Morrow.

The second Columbia hit is a Sinatra platter, tagged "Nancy", and is dedicated to "the Voice's" daughter. It should not take long for this beautiful ballad to catch on. The flip over is "The Cradle Song" by Brahms, and it shows off Sinatra's pipes. It is not, however, the type of disc that the cats will go for.

Capitol's latest King Cole Trio release, "Come To Baby, Do" shows a Nat Cole vocal, and is a tune that is destined for fame. The opposite side is called "The Frim Fram Sauce", and spots another Nat Cole vocal, as well as some very fine group work.

Band Biz: The Sonny Dunham aggregation which visited the Orpheum stage recently did a very fine job on such tunes as "9:20 Special", "Stardust", and "Homesick-That's All". The vocal on the latter was taken by his vocalist Pete Hannley, who is due for big things. The outstanding feature of the Dunham ork was his terrific sax action.

This week's returns on the Downbeat Band Poll shows that Woody Herman leads the nation's swing bands, and Charlie Spivak leads the nation's sweet bands. Herman has undisputed possession of the top spot, leading his nearest rivals, Duke Ellington and Benny Goodman, by some ninety votes. Spivak, however, is trailed by one vote by T. Dorsey, who in turn has Duke Ellington and Les Brown close at his heels.

Radio Ramble: The Omaha radio stations are at last latching on to some of the late record releases, and it it is a relief to hear these fine new tunes coming over the air after so many months of corn. Among the top local platter programs is the "1490 Swing Club" with that fine platter jockey, Sandy Jackson. The program is aired over KBON on Mondays thru Fridays at 11 p.m. It features some of the fine new discs as well as a little corn, but that is to be expected on any request program. The show runs for an hour and is well worth your while, so be sure and check it.

## Joan Muxen Influ-ential Info

It was a terrible day at the bastille! 'Twas the Monde after Thanksgiving vacation, and approximately 1 inmates were suffering from colds and the flu! (Shudde Imagine, 1,649 noses blowing in unison. The noise

I didn't mind when I sneezed and tore a hole in a necktie. And it didn't bother me when I coughed ; broke the homeroom window, BUT when I sneezed ; snapped my suspenders, that was too much!! Dash it a I was cold standing there in my long red underwear!!

The treatment of such a cold, according to Dr. P. Wood whistle Borscht, is described in his new book. Ho Nursing Made Confusing" or "Lend Me Your Special Doctor; Mine Are Sewed Up in the Patient."

First, you stand on one foot in a tub of ice water at gargle with arsenic and milk of magnesia at the san time. As you do this, your mother stands by and s you in the face with a wet towel. If you didn't have a fe before, you have one now. Finally, you go to bed, i this isn't the end! We now pack you in with hot was bottles and ice bags. Now you are really a mess! As a le resort, your father runs in every fifteen minutes ; breaks an egg over your head. Simple, isn't it? The o trouble is, you wish you were dead.

In desperation, you go to a doctor. After three hor of waiting, he takes one look at you and says, "At Inj tion, that's what you need. Yes, sir, an injection the thing. Now let's see, where's my hypo needled W took my hypodermic? No, no, not that one! The eight inch one! Oh yeah, there it is, sticking in the last partie Now we're ready, aren't we? What did you say yo trouble was? A cold? Brrumph! Steady now! Hmmn. n where should I put this thing? In the arm? In the leg In the-no, that'd kill 'im. Don't be nervous, young may ond p I've never done this before, but I'm not nervous. Now let me see, I wonder if this needle is long enoug Hmm! He fainted!"

Don't be a Casper Milquetoast!! You too can live normal and happy life without catching cold! Remen it's KRUMBLIES that does the trick!! KRUMBLIES breakf-f-f-er-er-szznazzooooo! Goodneth, I muth coming down with a code in my node. Ah, Shakes thertainly had the right idea when he uttered D in immohtal wo'ds:

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There was a young lass in Peru Who figured her beaus were too few. So she walked out the door With a fig leaf, no more, And now she's in bed with the flu. . . .

# Underground

spring has sprung fall has fell winter's come it's cold as usual

it coitanly was a relief to see everyone looking so (?) after thanksgiving vacation . . . loads of stuff w on while we were gone . . . the turkey trot went swell, despite the forty-'leven flu cases that were arou . . . the boys actually had a real live turkey for a do prize . . . but the question now on everyone's lips (and we quote!) "who was that strange girl bob johns odd reason he just won't tell a soul . . . quite a po of discussion was some of the dates to wednesday dance . . . (take it from there!) . . . aristides "bar oats" certainly has a diabolical sense of humor in chemistry class he told roz that his hydrachloric tasted just like peppermint candy . . . some ultmotive persposibly? . . . cood be! . . . as marie toinette said to joan of arc, "a good chop is better a hot steak!" . . . (we said it . . . an we're glad) don't-you-wish-you--knew dept . . .

why they call schoultz and j. coufal the "rendezve from boys"

what happened to bloom's recent "affair du cou (that means heart, knuckle-head!)

saw all the guys an' gals watching jimbo lyle and wall graves (both of '44) doing their "forward march" right face" routine through the old halls of CHS week, while joie cronland sat back and waited for "present arms" from one certain guy . . . nomination-of-the-week:

greatest driving power on way to lunch-sophomgirls . . . we still haven't gotten back down to earth  $\boldsymbol{a}$ that zooty visit of jack kerr last week . . . the sp of "hong kong blues" and "begin the beguine" is runni wildly through our veins . . . oh, well, better spirit nothing . . . just leaving the post for the "stea race are peggy stika and van kirk . . . already disqu fied on default are johnny and doris henderson chalk up another date to the coc with bobbie bierman dodie carlson . . . chen yu polish on your nails? yes, we chen . . . chen yu??!! . . . (yuk, yuk, yuk) the froshs hit the front page of omaha's paper when started their mad search for blonde-boy van johnson seen sneaking in and out of some o' the better (nate places were jackie murphy, darlene stevens, nancy hick sue porter, barb smith, and donna carlson . . . fame last lines of a senior. "just get me something inexpens for christmas . . . and have it engraved . . .!"

see ya, sooner than you think,

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#### Central Cinema

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# gt. Peterson Appoints New **Battalion Staff**

#### Company A Maintains Lead in Competition

Cadet Second Lt. Roswell Howard as appointed battalion commander the month of December in an orposted by T/Sgt. Palmer Peter-Friday, November 29. Cadet Secd Lt. Linae Anderson was appointadjutant, and Cadet Second Lt. orey Wright was assigned as plans d training officer.

The company commanders are aire, Co. A; Broderdorp, Co. B; ariotes, Co. C; Raduziner, Co. D. the freshman battalion the compacommanders are Kadis, F 1; Johnn, F 2; Samuelson, F 3.

The platoon leaders were also resigned; they include Hoyer and ldman. Co. A: Bloomquist and es, Co. B; Randall and Thomas, C; Rice and Vietzer, Co. D. In freshman battalion Christensen d Magee from F 1, Kohan and ryker of F 2, and Haykin and nited, F 3 were assigned as platoon aders.

A company leads the race for the g with 50 points; Co. D is in secd place with 47 1/2 points. Co. B has points, Co. C 191/2 and the Band 1/2. Freshman Co. 3 pulled up from habitual last place to nose out F 2 d threaten F 1 for first place. Point ores in the freshman battalion are follows: F1, 49; F3, 471/2; Junior and, 45; and F 2, 421/3.

The Band won the monthly inspecon in the regular battalion with Co. in second place. The Junior Band ok first place in the freshman inection and F 3 came in second.

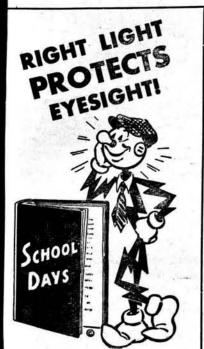
## lub Presents Latin ersion of Classic

Ishering in the Christmas season, s. Bessie S. Rathbun's Latin III ss will present a Latin version of scene from Dickens' "Christmas rol" tomorrow at the Latin club

The leading parts of Scrooge and arley's ghost are portraved by orge Knoke and Richard Undeland. vin Burstein will be Scrooge's neph-Frederick, and Jack Noodell will Bob Crachet. Neal Schneiderman d Edsel Friday are the carol sing-Shirley Nelson, Patsy Friday, liot Downs, and Marianne Swanson m the singing quartet, accompani-Erna Hanselman

An English translation of the ne will be read by Gloria Older-The script was prepared by two mer Latin students several years under the direction of Mrs. Rath-

Because of the opera dress rehearthe meeting has been postponed m Wednesday to Thursday.



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## Jack Kerr, Noted Entertainer, Sings To Choir Members

The a cappella choir enjoyed an unusual treat last week when Jack Kerschner '27 entertained them by singing and accompanying himself on the piano.

His charming personality and beautful tenor voice delighted the choir; responding to many requests, he sang such favorites as "Hong Kong Blues" 'Smoke Gets in Your Eyes", "Stardust", and "If I Loved You".

Mr. Kerschner, or Jack Kerr as he is known professionally, broadcasts for CBS in New York and has appeared in many Broadway musicalsamong them "Spring in Brazil" with Milton Berle.

"I find life as an entertainer very exciting and adventurous," remarked Mr Kerr, "because it leads one to places all over the world."

#### **Embassy Boys' Trio Leads to Success**

Entering upon his career at the age of twenty, Mr. Kerr went to New York where he obtained a job playing the piano in vaudeville. The "tired, old act" toured every "brokendown" theatre in Brooklyn. When he and two other fellows formed a trie, "The Embassy Boys", his luck changed, and the group appeared in night clubs and were featured in "George White's Scandals".

Offered an opportunity to tour England for four weeks with a group of entertainers, Mr. Kerr left the trio. Because of his instant popularity, he overstayed his leave somewhat and returned to America five years later. The highlight of his stay in England was a request performance before the king and queen; he also appeared in Noel Coward's production, "Operette", and "Happy Return" with Beatrice Lillie.

#### Submarine Danger on Return Trip

"My return trip lasted fourteen days," reminisced the singer. "The ship made such wide detours to avoid submarines that one day we would be freezing off the coast of Greenland, and the next day we would be steaming near the equator."

Mr. Kerr's following engagement took him to the "Copacabana", a famous night club in Rio de Janeiro. When he arrived back in New York, he began broadcasting for CBS at the Madison hotel: and when he completes his two-week visit in Omaha, he will return to that position.

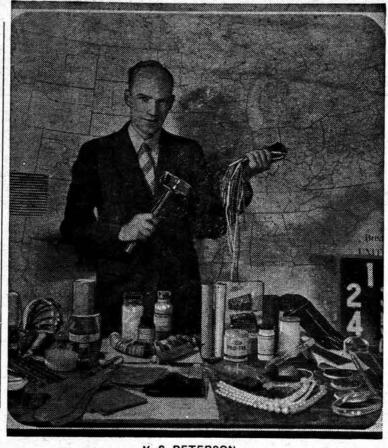
The students and faculty were all able to enjoy his singing and playing when Mr. Kerr appeared at an assembly this morning.

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The assembly will consist of an exhibit and an explanation of the civilian use of numerous military secrets and articles recently developed by the Dupont company.

#### Two Graduates Receive Grinnell College Honors

Two Central High graduates received honors at Grinnell college, November 30, for their scholastic achievements. Ruth Hassler '42 was named to the dean's honor list for maintaining a high scholastic average last semester. Marjorie Demorest '45 was named an honor student as the result of her high standing in a competitive scholarship examination.

## Pauline Rudolph '45 Wins Music Award

Pauline Rudolph '46, has received scholarship offered by the Matinee Musical Club of Omaha, an organization interested in promoting professional study of music in this city.

The music scholarship includes private violin instruction and expenses for a period of nine months, starting immediately, and was given after an investigation and tests by the club committee.

Pauline plans to attend the Juillard Graduate School of Music in New York City after graduating from Central next spring.

#### Chess Tournament Begins

The long-inactive Chess club at a meeting November 28 in Room 329, voted to begin activities for the year with a ladder tournament. The five top players at the end of the tournament will constitute the tentative Central chess team. Dues were announced as 25 cents for the year or 15 cents for one semester.

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## Colleens Donate Thanksgiving Box

The Central Colleens presented their traditional Thanksgiving box of canned food, clothing and soap for a poor Omaha family to the Family Welfare board. The box was filled under the direction of Betty Edwards' Service committee and the faculty sponsor, Miss Ruth Pilling. Charles Mancuso and Herbert Reese took the gift to the Welfare board for the committee.

Two representatives from the attendance committee of the Colleens, Beverly Benson and Mary Lambert, devoted their time Thanksgiving morning to the Hattie B. Monroe Home for Crippled Children. The girls adorned the playroom and the dinner tables with decorations made by a group from the attendance com-

#### Central Girl Debaters Enter Regional Contest

Central's girl debaters entered the regional Missouri Valley girls' debate tournament at North High school last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Helen Sherman and Pat Ahern composed one team; Beki Finer, Patricia Burkenroad, Elizabeth Carignan, and Marcia Tepperman formed a second team. The teams won a total of three debates at the contest.

The Missouri Valley boys' tournament will be held at South High school, December 13-15; Central will enter two boys' teams in that tourna-

#### Christian Hapke Leaves For Berkeley, California

Christian Hapke '46 left Omaha this week for Kansas City. Missouri. where she will stay until her parents find a home in Berkeley, California. Christian plans to finish her senior year of high school in Berkeley.

While at Central, she has been a member of the Register Staff, a member of Junior Honor Society, and active in Central High Players, the choir, and the French club.

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The orchestra is under the direction of Merwin Tilton. Members of the orchestra are Paul Alperson, John Berqquist, Edward Berry, Tom Clark, Shirley Colnic, Frank Di Mauro, Selma Hovdet, Perry London, Beverly Mason, Martha McMillon, Larry Mc-Nichols, Phyllis Meissner, Doris Menshik, Elaine Roddy, Gayle Roxberg, Pauline Rudolph, Jack Sacca, Jackie Siekert, Bill Smith, Jack Smith, Kay Srb, Gwen Srb, Keith Stoklas, Helen Tiahrt, and Charles Will.

The setting for "H.M.S. Pinafore" has been designed, constructed, and decorated by Frank Rice and the seventh and eighth hour stage craft

Make up of the cast will be managed by Miss Amy Rohacek; student make-up mistress, Peggy Hoyes; and the make-up class.

Faculty ticket sales adviser, Mrs. Irene Jensen, who is assisted by Phyllis Wohlner and Lewis Roccaforte, has announced that those holding S. A. tickets may still reserve seats at the box office. Opera tickets, which are sixty cents, may be purchased from any choir member. Mr. R. B. Bedell is handling reservations, and is assisted by Mrs. Sylver Taylor, and Norma Ryan.



# THE KING OF and all his subjects! (Read this inside story in

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As Old Man Winter once again sticks his frost-bitten nose around the bend and we bid farewell to King Football, we put out the welcome mat for Central's two most popular wintertime sports: basketball and wrest-

As Coach Knapple tucks away this year's football gear and Coaches Tom Murphy and Vernon Ekfelt start to unpack the basketball shorts and wrestling tights, Central may anticipate the greatest mat season for the Eagle grapplers.

WANTED: A team of five faculty members (preferably male) to encounter the sharp-shooting Register sports staff in a basketball game between the halves of any regular game. Last year the hard-hitting boys from the sports desk nosed out a faltering faculty five in a real thriller. All applicants please notify the Sports Staff in Room 149.

Whenever a football season reaches a climax, there is always wide spread discussion over the great games, the stellar performances of the star backfield men, and the work of the rugged linemen; but there is little, if any, mention about the coach. Few observers recognize and appreciate the actual value of a good tutor. He is the brains behind each maneuver, and he gets many gray hairs over the development of new plays designed to fool the opposition and to baffle the crowd. Many mediocre players have acquired ability and knowledge through the instructions of a "know how" mentor. Remember this, and when you see a spectacular grid tilt give a vote of thanks to the man behind the scenes, the always willing coach.

Tom Murphy, Central's new basketball coach, may not have all the material in the world this year, but he has impressed observers with his thorough teaching tactics. For the first few days of practice Coach Murphy had the candidates run around the court a few times-quite a few times, in fact. The "ambitious" candidates disappeared as if by magic, and his experiment not only discouraged lackadasical candidates but put his boys in excellent condition.

## Sports Staff Top Pin League Fifth Consecutive Time

Although they dropped two games to an improving Eager Beaver team, the Sports Staff still maintained a narrow lead for top honors in the boys' bowling league the past week.

Newest threat to the leaders is the red-hot 4 B's team. After a mediocre start, the 4 B's have hit their stride and won their last nine games. Also tied for second are the Centurymen, who have been close to the top all season but have been unable to push to the front so far.

In contrast, the Jokers, who looked like a sure thing for the first few weeks, have hit a cold streak and lost their last six games. The flu bug deprived the Jokers of two of their best keglers, Rodney Carlson and Gordon Auguston, in last week's match with the 4 B's.

Jack Browning, whose efforts are not enough to move his team, the 4 Cards, out of ninth place, still leads the high five with a sizzling average of 143. Corey Wright of the Sports Staff is next with 142.

This week's feature match pits the 4B's against the Sports Staff. If the 4B's win, they will displace the Sports Staff as league leaders. Corey Wright and Irving Veitzer are expected to lead the Sports Staff, while Jim Miller and John Hoyer have been high for the 4 B's.

Standings	w	L
Sports Staff	 .14	7
4 B's		8
Centurymen	 .13	8
Eager Beavers	 .12	9
Jokers		10
Sharpshooters	 .11	10
Fighting Four	 . 9	12
Atoms		12
4 Cards	 . 8	13

	Next Week's Schedule
1-2	Fighting Four vs Sports Staff
3-4	4 Cards vs Sharpshooters
5-6	Atoms vs 4 B's
7-8	Jokers vs Centurymen
9-10	Eager Beavers vs Trojans

# 12 Lettermen Bolster Eagle Mat Chances

Seven State Champs To Return to Team; Meet Finals Friday

After watching the footballers grope through one of the most disastrous seasons in history, and the basketball team apparently set for the same fate, Central fans will be privileged to watch one athletic squad, the wrestling team, discard the red ink for the winning, or black, kind, this season.

From all prospects Vernon Ekfelt's wrestlers are set for another state championship, as they have 12 lettermen included in a turnout of 61. Among the lettermen are Fred Pisasale Sam Kais, Herb Reese, John Nyberg, and Dave Mackie, all state champions.

Coach Ekfelt has received 61 entries for the fourth annual all-school tournament, which helps decide who will represent Central on the team. The tournament started Monday and will be concluded Friday, when the finals will be held in the gym.

#### 136 Pound Class Undecided

Most interest is being shown in the 136-pound clash between Fred Pisasale and Sam Kais, both state champions last year, who have outgrown their last year's weight.

Both boys have but one semester of competition left, as they will graduate in January. Ekfelt believes he will use one of the boys in the 136pound class and one in the 145pound, so he can benefit from having both mat veterans on the team at the same time, although they actually weigh about the same.

In addition to the lettermen, Ekfelt has several promising lettermen coming up from last year's second team. Included are Joe McQueen, Ed Moses, All Bovee, Jack Skelley, Bob Sullivan, Bill Kittoe, Don Bates, and Louie Garrotto.

#### Many Promising Freshmen

Promising freshmen are Harry Nystrom and Melvin Firestone in the 85-pound class; Raymond Hampton and Jim Farris in the 95-pound division; Frank Mancuso, in the 118; Frank Hahn, Bernard Beber, and Lloyd Richards, son of the former Central debate coach, who will wrestle in the 155-pound class.

Other lettermen besides the state champions who will fight for berths are Manfred Kreitstein, Joe Macchietto, Bob Zevitz, Jerry Ries, Roy Evans, Richard Reese, and Charles

The Eagle grapplers drew a bye in the first round, so will not see league action until next week when they engage Abraham Lincoln.

#### WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Dec. 13 Abe Lincoln at Central
Dec. 18 Central at Tech
Jan. 11 Central at Tee Jay
Jan. 16 Tech at Central
Jan. 25 South at Central
Jan. 29 Central bye
Jan. 31 Central at Abe Lincoln
Feb. 7 Tee Jay at Central
Feb. 15 Central at South
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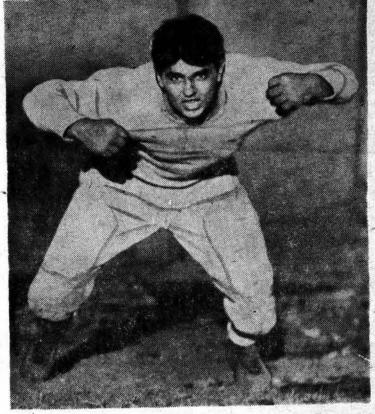
#### Twenty-Two Gridders Earn Football Awards

F. Y. Knapple, head football coach and director of athletics, has announced the letters in football for the following boys: Fred Pisasale Charles Beber

Herman Haver	Dick Reese
Dick Hollander	Herbert Reese
Sam Kais	Jerry Reis
Jim Kremers	Yale Rholff
Jack Lacy	Jim Robb
Dave Mackie	Bill Tetrick
Charles Mancuso	Frank Thomas
Cleveland Marshal	l Don Tosaw
Ed Moses	Corey Wright
Bobby Owen	B. Tunnell, Mgr.
	ernsen, Mgr.

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Jack Browning, 4 Cards143
Corey Wright, Sports Staff142
Milton Parker, Centurymen141
Joe Zajicek, Eager Beavers 139
Dick Beem, Atoms
Ed Berry, Eager Beavers138

## Captain Mancuso



CHARLES MANCUSO, rugged Central guard, was elected captain of the 1945 football team at a meeting of the players prior to the Thomas Jef-

# Creighton Prep's Central Gym Open Cage Team Best Monday Evendays

Benson, South, A. L. Quints to Be Tough

By BRUCE ROSEN Well, chillun, here we go again, climbing out on that well-worn limb with the Intercity basketball pre-

From here, it looks as if defending state champion Creighton Prep will be the team to beat.

Although they lost Subby Salerno and Bill Harvey via graduation, the Junior Jays will retain Tom Emery, Gene Wickencamp and Jack McMillan, an all-city selection last year. This should give Coach Bob Miller a firm foundation to build another championship squad around.

#### Benson Strong

Benson, with the addition of Bob Farner, a transfer from Norfolk, will be close behind the Jays. Farner can be remembered for scoring the basket that gave Norfolk a last-second victory over Prep here last year.

In addition, Coach Ralph Ross has Roger Sorenson and Jerry Babcock returning from his starting lineup of last year, and will have the city's champion second team to draw from.

Over on Cuming street, Tech will be fighting for honors against South and Abraham Lincoln. Although the Maroons have Bud Gibbons, Wayne Armer, Bill Williams, and Bill Bauer, an all-city, all-state choice last year, they don't seem to have the power to garner top honors.

#### **Graduation Hurts Tech**

Coach John De Boer has a host of other capable players to choose from, but will be considerably weakened by the loss of Bauer, Armer, and Williams at the end of the semester.

South will depend on Bob All, Bud Yambor, and Congo Collins. Collins will be remembered by Eagle fans as the boy that gave the Packers a victory over Central last year by dumping a basket in the third sudden death overtime period.

Next will be Central, fighting to stay out of the cellar with North and Thomas Jefferson. The Eagles and Vikes will depend on newcomers while T.J. will feel at home at the bottom of the heap.

# For the past month, and for the

winter months approaching, Central's gym will be open Monday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 for high school boys of this section of the city. This opportunity is provided through the efforts of the City Recreation Department. Tech is open also on Monday evenings, and North and South on Wednesday eyenings.

#### Gym Open Mondays

This venture is initiated particularly for the benefit of boys who have little or no opportunity to participate in athletic activities. So far the turnout at Central has not been large, and authorities in charge are anxious that the number be increased

At Central High school 791 boys are enrolled, and regular school basketball teams take care of 30 to 40. Physical education classes provide opportunity for 250 more, but that leaves an additional three to four hundred boys who perhaps seldom see a gym.

#### **Turnout Small**

This is the group of boys whom the city recreation is anxious to reach. So fellas, here's your opportunity. Grab your shoes, shorts, and towels and come to Central on Monday nights for some great fun.

At the present time basketball is being stressed, but at a later date, if enough interest is shown, such sports as volleyball, tumbling, wrestling, and boxing may be added.



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# Purple Start With New Coach; Only One Letterman to Return

Although the volleyball tournament was hampered by opera practice and absentee flu victims, forty girls turned out for a practice and elected captains for the coming season. The two highest from each grade are as follows: seniors, Amelia Orduna, Dolores Hughes; junior, Jean Moore, Betty Morrill; sophomores, Rita Rotella, Pat Reafling; freshmen, Barbara Wilkerson, Nancy Golding.

Girl of the Week

This week Geraldine Kahler merits the title Girl of the Week, and a prettier athlete you'll never

Most of you know Gerry as the cute little cheer leader that puts that extra something in those cheers at the football games. Besides participating in the G.A.A. for four years, she is also a member of Colleens, Glee Club, and the French club,

Among her favorites in sports are basketball, baseball, volleyball, archery, horseback riding and swimming. As a matter of fact, Gerry doesn't think she could live without sports. Her talents run riot and aside from being a tap and ballet dancer, she can sing, play the piano, saxaphone, harmonica, clarinet, and tonette.

Being the unfavorable end of a donkey in a dance number made Gerry turn to the idea of being a music teacher, and then a secretary. No matter whether she is behind a desk or in the middle of a stage, she is an outstanding girl.

The ping pong tournament captured the interest of nearly 60 girls, the greatest turn-out in many a year. All games will be played by an elimination contest before and after school in the gym.

The next event on the G.A.A. calendar is a Christmas party to be held the evening of December 15 at the. Hanscom park pavilion. All members are invited to attend for there will be refreshments, prizes, and entertainment galore.

By DOLORES HUGHES

## Guess Who

Age-17 Eves-Brown Activities-Football and Wrestling Hobby-Combing his hair Ambition—To pin Henry Nyberg Favorite song—"It's The Cave Man In Me Coming Out"

Nickname—Flat-top Fitting song—"It's Foolish But It's Fun"

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#### Tom Murphy to Boss **Purples Initial Time:** Season Outlook Dull

By JERRY MAGE

Central's new basketball mentor husky, soft-spoken Tom Murphy, may have to do a lot of suffering before his current crop of cage offspring develop into anything approaching basketball team.

Murphy's willing but inexperience quint will get their first test under fire tomorrow afternoon when the face Elkhorn in the gym at 3:30. The Antlers proved they were no soft touch last year when they ruined Vid Jennings debut as Eagle coach by beating the Purples, 15-12.

Whether Murphy's team will suffer the same fate depends on how fas the green Eagle squad has taken to his teachings. The Purples have but one letterman, diminutive Core Wright, and but one squad member Bruce Rosen, returning from las year's team that won but four games and must rely on second team gradu ates and boys out for basketball for the first time.

#### Lack Experience

The squad shows some promise but it will take some time for ther to become adjusted to play in such a fast league as the Intercity. Until then, the Eagle five may have to take it on the chin while they gather more experience.

Wright and Rosen both lack height, but they have seemingly earned starting berths, and make u for lack of size with a lot of hustle speed, and basketball savvy. Teaming with Rosen at forward has been Bob Reynolds, who played with the second team last year and is expected to add scoring punch.

Wright is apparently assured of one guard position, and two more second team players are fighting for the other guard spot. They are Dick Hollander and John Shea, with Hollander holding a slight edge.

Alternating at center in the early drills have been Jack Lacy, taking up where he left off on the football team and Don Stern, rangy senior wh served a hitch in the Coast Guard.

Murphy will hold seven men in reserve to supplement his starters, and Agan many of the reserves could develop quickly enough to gain a first team

Some of the most promising are Cleveland Marshall, the sprint champion and football star who will attempt to use his speed to advantage on the basketball court: and Was Vogel, sophomore forward, who may develop into a fine player as he has two years of eligibility left.

In addition, Coach Murphy h picked a 12-man squad to play th reserve games, and any one of the second team boys might make the jump to the first team.





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