# CENTRAL HIGH REGISTER

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Central Seniors

Rate Top Spots

aptitude Examination. The final Na-

ional Society winners will be an-

Examinations are given each year

throughout the country to outstand-

ing seniors. This year the organiza-

tion will present five five-hundred

dollar awards, 30 two-hundred dollar

grants and 30 fifty dollar alternate

Students competing for these

wards from Central were Bernie

Feldman, Suzanne Festersen, Virgin-

Frank, Bob Goldstein, Judy

Graves, Jim Maxfield, Janet McLain,

Lineve McKie, Sheldon Rips, Gayle

Sunderman, Topper Teal, Bob Win-

Fifteen per cent of the senior class

who excel in scholarship, leadership,

service to the school and citizenship

during their years at Central are hon-

ored by membership in National Hon-

or Society. They are chosen by a com-

nittee of faculty members, headed by

Arthur Nelson, which meets each

spring to consider qualifications of

eniors from the upper third of the

Twenty-nine members have been

named. The 16 additional members

are Joyce Bennett, Phyllis Bradford,

Fred Davis, Stan Davis, Eugene Du-

Boff, Karen Kricsfeld, Barbara Lane,

Dorothy Loring, Julie Martin, Joanne

Moron, Judy Mullens, Jack Oruch,

oAnn Parrish, Sally Smith, Cynthia

Schau and Speedy Zweiback.

Instructor Wins

Hay Fellowship

W. Edward Clark, Central English

nstructor, has been awarded a fel-

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Foundation of New York. Mr. Clark

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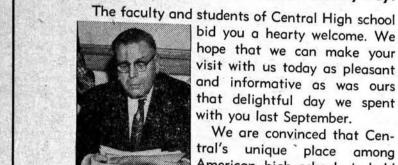
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CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, OMAHA 2, NEB., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1955

#### TEN CENTS

### To Our Guests on Education-Business-Industry Day:

bid you a hearty welcome. We



hope that we can make your visit with us today as pleasant in Honor Exams and informative as was ours that delightful day we spent Judy Graves, Jim Maxfield and with you last September. Topper Teal were among students We are convinced that Central's unique place among raining top rankings in the National Honor Society Scholarship General

American high schools is held largely because of a dedicated faculty. For this reason, we believe you will most enjoy observing the teaching process. Therefore, we urge you to remain with a class and teacher a full period.

> J. ARTHUR NELSON Principal

## Frank Chosen Miss Central XXI by Girls at Annual Coronation

It was the night of March 25, the place, Central High auditorium where hundreds of girls awaited the big moment. Ladies-in-waiting Paula Dichsen and Sandra Garey moved forward through the archways, and then everybody knew. Virginia Frank, in the traditional purple velvet, fur-trimmed robe, walked up to the throne as Miss Central XXI.

This event climaxed weeks of hard work and an evening of fun in the gym, where varied acts made up the floor show presented at intervals during the costume party. Annette Kosowski as mistress of ceremonies introduced Judy Fischer, Marjorie Schmidt and Lou Vogel singing "No More"; Billie Jo Berkley and her rendition of "Tweedle Dee-Dee"; a clarinet quartet with Sherry Dailey, Mary Ann Damme, Carole Lind and Jackie Johnson; and the senior girls' sextet.

### **Festival Practice Begins**

Nearly 500 Central students are preparing for the Annual Vocal Music Festival, scheduled this year for May 13.

Members of the a cappella choir, Junior choir, Girls' choir, Girls' Glee club and Boys' Glee club will combine to present the two-hour program.

Mrs. Elsie Howe Jensen will arrange and direct the entire festival. Assisting her are Miss Ruth Pederson and Miss LaVonne Kopecky, accompanist.

### Fellman Gains Honor in Oratorical Contests

Senior Stan Fellman recently won first place in the city, state and regional American Legion Oratorical contest. Under the direction of coaches M. C. Wyler and Richard Peterson, Stan wrote and delivered a 10-minute oration entitled "The Eighth Article of the Constitution-An Unwritten Article of Faith." He also delivered extemporaneous speeches on the topics "Taxing Powers of Congress," "Treaty Making Powers of the President" and "Distribution of Responsibility between the National, State and Local Governments."

With 12 speakers remaining in national competition Stan was defeated by Mike Miller of Los Angeles who went from the district contest to win the national meet.

### P-TA College Night Aids Pupils, Parents

Omaha public high school seniors and their parents gained useful information about college at the College Night program sponsored by the Central High P-TA and the Benson High Boosters club. This unusual meeting, held March 30 in Central's auditorium, featured representatives from 49 colleges and universities.

A panel of leaders of representative schools discussed requirements and standards demanded by the colleges concerning studies and extracurricular activities. Dr. J. Whitney Kelley, president of Central's P-TA,

# Commercial, Industrial Leaders View School's Classes Today.



Rehearsing their parts as romantic Kate Hardcastle and shy young Marlow in "She Stoops to Conquer" are **Muriel Green and Topper Teal**.

# Seniors Prepare Class Play for Presentation on May 5-6

May 5-6 senior students will present Oliver Goldsmith's sparkling comedy, She Stoops to Conquer, in the Central High auditorium. Director Richard Peterson and his senior cast are slated to give two evening performances.

Based on an actual incident in the life of the author, the play opens with Marlow and Hastings, played by Topper Teal and Pat Kuncl, lost on their way to the Hardcastles' home. Marlow is scheduled to meet Kate Hardcastle (Muriel Green) whom his father, Sir Charles, has suggested he marry.

Tony Lumpkin, played by Bill Watson, directs the two travelers to a nearby inn. At the inn, Marlow makes violent love to the inkeeper's daughter only to find out that she is actually Kate. By the time Sir Charles

(Mike Solzman) arrives on the scene the situation has been cleared up in a fresh comical manner.

With the assistance of Jean Jenson as Kate's cousin Constance Neville, Fred Simon and Dorothy Davitt as Mr. and Mrs. Hardcastle, Stan Fellman as the gardener, Diggory and Ellen Greenberg as the maid Pimple, the story is smoothly told.

Also in the play are Gwen Stoler and Phyllis Bradford as barmaids, Paula Dichsen as the servant, Dick Elliott as Stingo, and Don Bray, Dick Herre, Dean Jones, Don Kalisek, Ron Meier, Phil Schrager, Jerry Singer and Bill Welch in various minor roles.

#### Period Order Changed; Special Register Issued; **Student Council Directs**

Executives from the fields of business and industry will visit Central today for the second annual Education-Business-Industry day. The 50 men will spend the morning visiting an elementary school. Coming to Central, they will be met at the west door by Student council members who will join the guests at lunch.

They will receive copies of the special EBI issue of the Register and the Purple and White Handbook in the new auditorium, where they will be entertained by the orchestra and a cappella choir. While there principal J. Arthur Nelson plans to greet the visitors and tell them briefly about our school.

At 1:25 Student council members will take the guests on a tour of the building which will include the gym, biology, chemistry and physics laboratories, the library, art room, mechanical drawing, commercial department, shop and homemaking labs. The gentlemen will observe second hour classes.

Schedule of classes for the day is first, sixth, seventh, eighth, fifth, fourth, second and third.

A faculty tea in the north lunchroom at 3:15 for faculty members and the executives will conclude the activities of EBI day.

### **Central's Romans** to Dine Tomorrow

Latin club members and their guests will don their tunics and togas tomorrow at 5:30 for the Latin Week banquet in the west cafeteria.

More than 150 guests, including Dr. and Mrs. Harry A. Burke, Mrs. Doris Kath, Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Nelson, Miss Jane Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Planteen will dine on relishes, fried chicken, green beans and fresh fruit in authentic Roman style.

The theme of the banquet is the annual return from Hades of Proserpina, goddess of spring. Proserpina (Virginia Frank) will tell of her "Iter Per Inferna" or journey through Hades with her suitor Pluto, ruler of that dark region. As Proserpina narrates the trip, the monsters and spirits she describes will be interpreted by pantomime and dance. Entertainment in Pluto's court will include the spirits of a musician (Paul Festersen) and a ventriloquist (Sandy Dungan). "Iter Per Inferna" was written by Kay Carmony, club vice president. Interpretive dances will be directed by Cynthia Zschau.

1956 at Yale University following an ndividually developed program.

John Hay fellowships are awarded o 20 outstanding high school teachers who have demonstrated their bility to teach creatively and have aintained high intellectual and proessional standards in their classooms. The awards enable teachers to spend a year at either Yale or Columia universities.

### Raven to Compete in Fashion Contest

Jackie Raven was recently notified hat she has been chosen one of 13 inalists in the national Forest City Fashion Design contest. Her entry was selected from hundreds included n the primary competition.

Jackie, a senior, will now vie for one of two scholarships which are offered each year through accredited igh schools to encourage interest in ashion design. The scholarships, sponsored by the Forest City Manuacturing company of St. Louis, pro-'ide full tuition grants for two years' tudy at the Department of Dress Deign at Washington university in St. ouis.

### Art, Nature Assemblies Interest CHS Students

National Audubon Society lecturer, Bert Harwell, related the wonders of California nature to Central High students April 22. His lecture, illusrated by colored movies, was highighted by his own interpretation of bird calls.

Central students were "stretching heir eyes" while viewing colored slides of art masterpieces presented by Dr. Harry Wood March 25.

## Federal Inspectors **Check Central Today**

"Hup, two, three . . ." The familiar sound of cadence in the early morning marked the beginning of Curtan ROTC Regiment's practice for the annual federal inspection.

All cadets will be inspected in ranks during class periods today and May 4. The administration, supply and ordinance will also be examined by the inspecting officers.

A parade review at the University of Omaha May 6 will culminate this year's inspection. Battalions from Benson, North and South will combine with Central's regiment to pass before the brass.

### State Delegates Chosen

Eight juniors have been appointed by a committee headed by principal J. Arthur Nelson to be Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' Staters.

Representing Central at the meet June 14-20 will be Ruth Billingsly, Lora Franklin and Helen Hockabout. Alternate Girl Staters are Rosemary Pope, Rosanne Robertson and Phyllis Yoes.

Boys' Staters meeting June 12-18 are Franklin Greenman, Dick Kelley, Gene Kohn, Walt Neevel and Murray Newman. Alternates are Jerry Gray, Frank Kloke, Bob McKenzie, Bill Roark and Dick Serpan.

### Scientists to Blast Off

Members of the Science-Math club and chemistry and physics students will attend Engineers' day tomorrow on the University of Nebraska campus. A bus has been chartered, and instructors Mrs. Julia Buresh and Roy C. Bush, will accompany the group.

presided.

The schools presenting their views before the panel and the audience were a cross-section of large, medium-sized and local institutions. Included were Nebraska church and teachers colleges, liberal and fine arts schools, Eastern universities and - ngance - --- runne, technical schools.

## **Three Seniors Have Top Grade Averages**

A list of senior class standings has been made up to and including the last final exam grades. All 327 seniors are listed according to the grades they have received in all subjects since they entered high school.

The top 10 seniors on the list were announced by J. Arthur Nelson. Janet McLain, Cindy Zschau and Speedy Zweiback are tied for first place while Bob Goldstein holds fourth. Fifth place honors went to Suzanne Festersen, Virginia Frank and Gayle Sunderman. Karen Kricsfield holds eighth position and Lineve McKie and Sally Smith follow in ninth place.

### Test Results High

General Educational Development tests, given to seniors at the end of February, showed that Central rates above the national average. English, science, social studies and mathematics are the fields in which students were tested.

#### Results are as follows:

National	Upper Quar- tile . 75	Medi- um 50	Quar- tile 25
Central Correctness and Effectiveness of			
Expression	92.1	66.5	37.5
Social Studies		78.3	46.9
Science Interpretation of	94.6	76.8	52.0
Literary Materials	88.3	65.5	44
Mathematics	88.2	71.0	38

# Outdoorsman Club

**Builds**, Conserves

Outdoorsmen celebrated Arbor day by planting a tree on the grounds of Children's Memorial hospital. Club president Pat Kuncl read the conservation pledge and urged all others tree and help further conto plant a un ----orth Clarke servation. Sponsor Wentwercesstul assisted Mike Gray, Jack Murphy, John Noble, and Bill Reynolds at the presentation. In the past the boys have planted trees on Central's lawn.

While securing Governor Victor E. Anderson's declaration of April 3-9 as Nebraska Conservation week, four Central High Outdoorsmen received a citation from the State Game commission.

Running to Lincoln to deliver a scroll of conservation pledges, the boys observed two farmers shooting snow geese out of season. The boys immediately contacted a state patrolman and the farmers were apprehended. Outdoorsmen's testimony resulted in a conviction and a fine of \$50. Warden Walkow nominated Joe Jarvis, Pat Kuncl, Jim Christina and Bill Baird for the citation.

The club, under direction of Wentworth Clarke, helped center Nebraskans' attention on conservation by a "modern marathon relay" to Lincoln. Seventeen boys ran mile relays carrying a scroll containing 10,500 signatures with the conservation pledge. The signatures were obtained by the club at the Omaha Sports, Vacation and Boat show March 5-13.

The relay began April 2 when Mayor John Rosenblatt ran the "first lap" from City hall to Nineteenth and Farnam.

The scroll was presented to Governor Anderson April 4 at 11 a.m.

Heading the senior play committee is Tony Lang, while Judy Graves, Lineve McKie and Myrna Sandvall are chairmen of publicity, property and costume committees respectively.

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- MAY 5-6—Senior Play
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- 13-14-State Track Meet 13-Music Festival

### Journalists Win Awards

Dean Jones and Cynthia Zschau will receive Silver Key awards Saturday at the annual Journalism day luncheon on the University of Nebraska's campus. Cynthia will be presented a silver key for feature writing; Dean, a certificate for editorial writing.

Forty-seven Nebraska high school journalists will be honored at the assembly. Ernest H. Linford, chief editorial writer for the Salt Lake Tribune, will be the speaker for the day.

### Students' Art Displayed

Paintings by Central artists were displayed at Brandeis store the week of April 11 as a part of the International Red Cross exhibition. Central's work was combined with paintings from 24 countries. Following the exhibit at Brandeis, the art work was sent to New York City, where paintings will be selected from the collection for a world-wide tour.

Latin Week, the yearly highlight of the club's functions, is co-ordinated this year by chairman Gene Kohn and his assistant chairman them are commune chairmen Dixie Cagle, Kay Carmony, Marvin Freedman, Gary Gitnick, Karen Holm, Marvin Lue and Walt Neevel.

# Debaters to Journey to California Tourney

California next stop for three Central speech contestants who captured first-place awards at the NFL District tournament!

Winners of the contests held March 18 and 19 at North High are eligible to represent Nebraska and Kansas in the National NFL tournament in San Jose, California, June 21-24.

Debate honors were earned by Bob Wintroub-Stan Fellman and Jo Ann-Parrish-Virginia Frank who forged a record of seven wins, one loss to merit first place in the two-day contest. Two of these four speakers will compete in the national tournament.

Individual event winners were Jerry Marer, first place in extemporaneous speaking; Topper Teal, first place in humorous declamation, and Donna Weiss, second in dramatic declamation.

First-place winners in 1955 competition bested contestants from 11 schools in the Nebraska area.

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# EBI Day Promotes Amity Co-operation, Understanding

Understanding, always essential among the various groups in any society, has grown even more necessary as our civilization becomes increasingly complex. EBI day is one avenue through which understanding can be furthered.

The mutual exchange of ideas and appreciation between education, business and industry is especially emphasized twice during the year. In the fall, a day is designated for teachers to visit various commercial organizations and thus gain a better insight as to what skills and knowledge are needed in order to improve and enrich our present day society. In the spring when community leaders and executives visit the schools, they are looking over their investment in youth and getting a glimpse of what they may expect for the future.

By mutual understanding of the problems which exist in schools and industry we can work together toward overcoming obstacles. The net result of this interchange of knowledge is an ever increasing harmony in the community.

# Salk Vaccine Gives New Hope for Preventative Polio

New hope for life and the defeat of a crippling disease have been brought to the children of the world by the anti-polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk. The vaccine, proved 80 to 90 per cent effective by the laboratories at Ann Arbor, Michigan, will be available to many school children in this area.

. The vaccination program, sponsored by the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis, will be administered in Douglas county by county health director Dr. Edwin Lyman, the Red Cross, Omaha doctors, public school nurses, the Visiting Nurse association and P-TA members.

There will be a series of three shots given to many Nebraska children under 15. In contrast to last year's program in which the entire series of shots was given in a space of five weeks, plans have been made to delay the final shot seven months or more from the first two, in order to increase the effectiveness of the vaccine.

According to figures released at Ann Arbor, Michigan, says the **Omaha World-Herald**, Nebraska and Iowa children who received the test inoculations had about one-third as much polio as those who were not inoculated.

Dr. Salk has said he will continue working on his anti-polio vaccine until it is 100 per cent effective. He deserves a vote of thanks from all children and parents for his great contribution in the field of medicine.

Military Service and Work

Central Profile Miss Central XXI

Scholarship, service to the school and popularity are the outstanding attributes of Miss Central XXI, Virginia Frank.

In four years she has compiled a record of high scholastic achievement. After three years in Junior Honor society, Virginia was recently named to National Honor society. As a senior she has been recognized as Teen-of-the-Week and is winner of an Elks scholarship.

Last summer she attended Cornhusker Girls' State where she received the third highest grade in the government test.

Virginia's success in debate this year has brought additional prominence. Her debate partner and she are the winners of the Girls' Missouri Valley and the Midland college tournaments. Their victory at the National Forensic League tournament at North High school qualifies them for the nationwide contest in California in June.

While serving as president of the sophomore and junior girls' classes Virginia first displayed her leadership ability. She is now secretary of the senior class. Last fall she was general chairman of the Big Sister program.

Virginia is not only a member but also an officer of several clubs. As a junior she was secretary of Colleens, and this year she is marshal of Central High Players and president of GAA. Latin club and NFL are also included in her activities.

Musical ability is another of Virginia's talents. After she came to Central she learned to play the bassoon and became a regular member of the orchestra. She has also appeared in two Road Shows.

Working on the Register staff, being a cheerleader for four years and serving on two fall play committees have kept Virginia busy.

The past year and a half, however, she has found time to work at the Omaha Filter center. Her interest in civil defense prompted her to write an essay on "The Responsibilities of Citizenship" which won a trip to Washington, D. C., last year.

After 10 years in Girl Scouts Virginia is now a senior scout and was

### Many Scholarships Given

Central's high scholastic record has been recognized during the last nine years by the average award of 79 scholarships each year. Of the 235 Central '54 graduates that enrolled in colleges last September, about 20 per cent were using scholarships.

In 1954 as in preceding years, seniors have received the Seven College Conference scholarship as well as scholarships to Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Dartmouth. Each year



- Photo by Matsuo VIRGINIA FRANK editor of the senior scout newspaper.

"Judy Jo," as Virginia is sometimes called by her friends, loves to be busy. An "outdoor girl" she likes to spend her spare time horseback riding, hiking or swimming.

The University of Omaha is Virginia's choice for school next year. She hopes that a major in psychology may lead to either social work or teaching.

### Three German Girls Adapt to U S Life

During the year, three new students from Germany have entered Central high school. Two came from Berlin and the other from Stuttgart.

After coming to America 16 months ago from East Germany, Elfriede Mueller just recently entered Central. She and her family fled from the Russians and lived for two years in a concentration camp in Denmark.

Only one month ago, Brigitte Judernatz came to America from West Berlin. She also moved out because of Russian influence. Brigitte says that the basic difference in the two country's schools is the fact that there are no electives, only assigned classes, in Germany. Brigitte, who expressed an enthusiastic like for jazz music, attended a special school in Berlin for fashion designing and plans to continue the art in America.

West Berlin was formerly the home of Ingrid Leder, who came to Central one year ago, and is now a sophomore. She and her family moved to America because they

# Did You Know

that the liberty bell in the east entrance was donated to Omaha schools in 1945 by J. L. Brandeis and sons?

- that at least one-third of the student • population at Central are the third generation of families to attend this school?
- that the present building is the third on this site and the second high school?
- that the original plans for the present building included a tower in the court? (an architectural Nelson's office).
- that in 1935 "dandelion digs" on the school lawn were in vogue? Students were dismissed an hour each day to participate in clearing the grounds. The elm trees on the east side were planted the same year...
- that the north lunchroom used to be a gym where the boys practiced basketball? The cafeteria then was in our present bookroom and in 029. Also in the old building, a room for students who brought their lunches was at the site of our auditorium's lobby....
- that once a stone wall surrounded this school before being removed for landscaping the lawn? At that time, too, a statute of Lincoln stood on the southeast campus....
- that the first girls' physical education classes were held in rooms 415 and 425?

that the bookroom was once in 333 and 335?

that until 1931 hour-long pep meetings before the Tech gamesbiggest of the season-were held at Fifteenth and Douglas streets in an old theater? It was called color day; pennants, buttons and pep sticks were sold.

### Grads Further Schooling

For the last seven years, an average of 70.4 per cent of Central High's graduates have gone on to college. In 1954, 235 students out of a graduating class of 313 entered universities and colleges all over the nation.

Besides attending schools on the east and west coasts, a large number of '54 graduates have chosen midwestern universities and church-sponsored colleges. Among the Nebraska schools selected by last-year graduates are Creighton, Nebraska and Omaha universities and Dana, Doane, Nebraska Wesleyan and Wayne State Teachers' colleges.

Conditions prevent some students from attending college the following semester after graduation, but statistics show that five years after graduation another 10 per cent of Central's graduates have enrolled in schools.

# Departments Present Variety of Subjects

Central's curriculum which consisted of 101 courses last semester is prepared and carried on by departments. Each department supervises subjects included in its specific field.

A variety of interesting and challenging courses are offered by the Social Studies department. Required subjects are World Geography, World History I and II. American Government and American History I and II. Electives include Modern Problems, Economics and English History.

Since Central believes that everyone should have command of the basic fundamentals of mathematics, each student is required to take at least one year of general math or algebra. Students deficient in the elementary mathematical skills must take a refresher course their senior year.

An average student takes two semesters each of algebra and plane geometry. For the superior math student Advanced Algebra, Trigonometry and Solid Geometry are offered.

The Science department offers four courses: Biology, Chemistry, General Science and Physics. Of these, Biology only is required for graduation. General Science is open to freshmen while Chemistry and Physics are taken by upperclassmen. The department also gives aid and encouragement to students carrying on individual scientific projects.

For a student interested in foreign languages, French, Spanish and Latin are part of the regular curriculum with a four-year course offered in each. A class in German is formed whenever there is a demand for it.

Each language group carries on its own separate activities which include clubs, foreign correspondence and language week projects.

#### Readin' an' Writin'

The English department, largest at Central, tries to increase students' proficiency of communication. Study of essential grammar and literature and practice in speaking and writing are all part of the eight required semesters of English. The department also offers special courses in grammar and creative writing.

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This year in co-operation with the English department the Dramatic department has inaugurated a plan of presenting plays of educational and literary merit. The plan is illustrated by the selection of Billy Budd as the annual fall play and She Stoops to Conquer as the senior play.

Courses in the Dramatic department include Speech. Oral Interpretation, Play Production and Public Speaking.

Encouraging development of public speaking ability is the purpose of the debate department. The topic of discussion is the annual national debate question. Debaters compete in oratorical and extemporaneous speaking contests.

Central's Journalism department publishes the Register, bi-weekly student newspaper, and the O-Book, the school annual. Pupils begin the study of journalism the second semester of their junior year. After completion of the preparatory course, the students are appointed to positions on the staffs of the publications.

#### Specialized Courses

# **Possibilities Told to Seniors**

Central seniors were recently presented two assemblies which illustrated clearly the interest which the school has in the future plans of its students. The talk by the representative from the State Employment service and the discussion by the members of various armed services gave to many Centralites a picture of what to expect in the coming years in the way of work possibilities and military service.

Although most of the senior class will greater tend college next year, the assemblies were very beneficial to the pupils who are "looking ahead" and planning their futures.

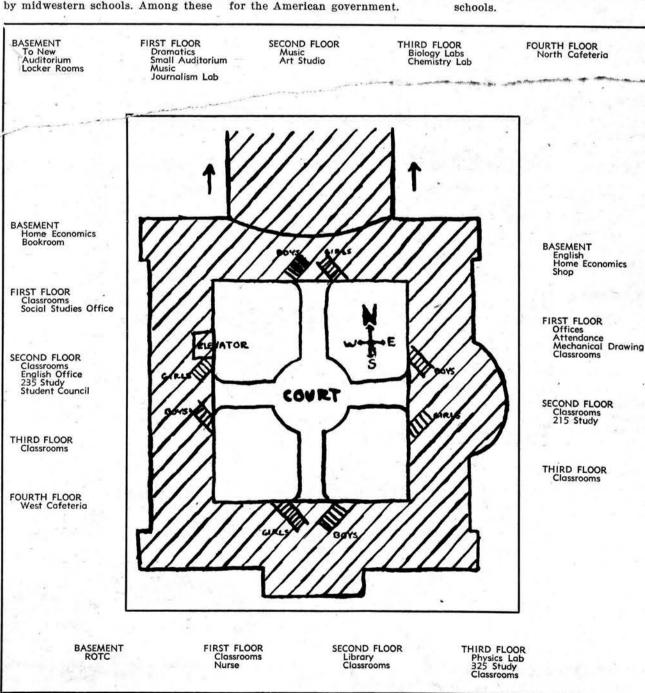
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Princeton and Dartmouth. Each year many scholarships are also awarded by midwestern schools. Among these Ingrid said that she hoped to become an X-ray technician in Berlin for the American government.



The Commercial department helps prepare a stude for jobs in the business world. Courses are offered typing, shorthand, bookkeeping and transcription.

Central's Art department offers more than four years of study in various types of art including the basic tech niques, figure-drawing and costume design. Senior ar students may work on the O-Book and senior banque decorations.

"he Mus' department is divided into vocal and instrumental divisions. The senior and junior a cappella choirs and Girls' and Boys' Glee clubs are parts of the vocal division and the orchestra and ROTC, marching and dance bands are products of the instrumental.

Giving cadets a basic understanding of army discipline and training is the job of the ROTC department, while the Athletic department produces the football, basketball, wrestling, track, baseball, golf and tennis teams.

## Student Council Council Assists Students

Your student council was formed to serve as a connecting link between the student body and the faculty. It is their job to co-ordinate the interests of the Central students, to exchange student ideas, and to work for an harmonious, effective relationship among the student body and the teachers.

Besides filling these expressed obligations, council members have had the privilege and satisfaction of participating in numerous school projects this year. Your representatives have taken charge of S.A. and Road Show ticket sales, T.B. testing and the Community Chest. With the aid of the homeroom representatives, they have served as ushers at various school functions. They are in the process of revising the Central handbook.

When each student casts his vote in the council election this spring he will be delegating responsibility to a person in whom he has confidence. However, the student's own responsibility does not end here. It is your job to bring to the attention of your class representative any problem of school significance. Only then can the council carry out its main purpose; to help the school by helping you. Wednesday, April 27, 1955

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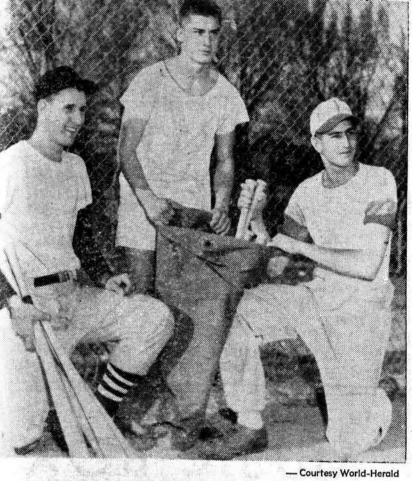
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# Spring Teams Vie; Face Rugged Opposition



BRIGANCE, ANANIA, WIDMAN . . . Eagle batsmen set to clip Hares.

# **Eagle Nine Battles Hares**

#### Brigance, Widman Lead Sluggers; Pullias Heads **Novice Purple Hill Staff**

Central's diamond crew will face enson tomorrow afternoon at Brown ark, at 3:50. On the mound for the unnies will be either Wayne Muenter or Bob Shields, both strong right anders.

Eagle pitching duties could go to ny one of three hurlers. Dave Pulas, top-notch starter, will probably iss up chores against the Bunny had in an effort to rest up for the lay schedule. Therefore, coach Karaisos will string along with either ry Gray or Biff Olson.

A summary of the Hilltop lineup eals an inexperienced infield and polished outfield. Either letterman ry Akromis or Larry Carmody will old down the first base assignment; improved Steve Rosenblatt is asured of his second base slot; Wally ryans will be at third and Bob Toole at shortstop. Behind the plate Frank Anania.

The Eagle bright spot is the outld. Bryant Brigance and Stan Widan, the big guns at the plate, will ay defensively in left and center lds respectively. Frank Moberg is e most logical right-field starter. hese boys compose what is most kely the city's finest outfield.

### Linksmen Second in Annual Tourney

The CHS golfers placed second in a six team tournament at Fremont, Nebraska, April 19. Led by sophomore Bob Epstein, the stickmen tied with Omaha North 13 strokes behind the winner, Fremont High.

Our team total was 267. Four men from each school play with the low three totals counting. Epstein carded a 41-45-86 to lead all Omaha entrants. Freshman Bill Encell followed for the Eagles with a 44-44-88. Captain Dennis "Moon" Mullins completed the official Central team with a 45-48-93. Jamie Shapiro also participated but failed to qualify.

The tournament, an annual affair, is played on a rough par 37 ninehole course. All players circle the "pasture" twice.

The winning Fremont squad placed all men in the 80s en route to their lucrative 254.

### Russell, Owens Lead



Traditional spring fever has not affected Central athletes due to the "taskmaster" efforts of all spring coaches. The last month has seen baseballers, golfers, trackmen and tennis enthusiasts being put through their paces in preparation for actual competition. Now, with the seasons under way, continued effort is necessitated by heavy schedules.

Yesterday, the tennis team and the diamond crew battled South respectively, and tomorrow our netsters tackle TJ and the Karabøtsosmen face Benson. The golfers also have two contests this week. George Andrews' cindermen have a number of dual and multi-team meets under their belts.

In short, almost every day finds some Central athletic contest on tap. However, fewer fans turn out to watch the warm weather crews than any of the other sports. High school baseball is only one step below professional and semi-pro ball and al-

# Spring Sportsmen

by Phil Schrager \* BASEBALL—BRYANT BRIGANCE—Playing the left field position is nothing new to this hard-swinging ball player; however, in last year's outing Bryant had to share the honors with Stan Widman, who is now playing the center field post. Carrying one of the more potent bats on the club, Bryant hit a sparkling .328 average in the '54 season. With a strong arm in the field, he should be a top candidate for intra-city honors. The husky outfielder gives a lot of the credit for his baseball knowledge to a Cleveland High school coach whom he played under three years ago.

\* BASEBALL—DAVE PULLIAS—An "all-around sportsman" is the best description of this fleet-footed and hard-throwing athlete. "Tex," as he is often called, started the '54-'55 year by playing halfback on the Eagle football squad. He is now indulged in the horsehide sport, and is ranked as the club's top pitcher. But Dave does not let baseball limit his spring season. When he is not busy striking out batters, he can be found on the track where his versatility is far stretched. With good support from this year's diamond crew, he could be among the city's finest hurlers through the '55 season.

most every season one Omaha teen goes directly from the intra-city league to a professional classification. In other spring sports similar situations are present. We all have the opportunity to enjoy top notch sport entertainment, but only an intelligent few are taking advantage of it. EV-ERYONE !!! Begin supporting your athletes. Start by hustling down to Brown Park or the Dewey "courts" tomorrow.

The fact that there is always a place in sports for a "little man" is exemplified by the 1955 intra-city golf league. Three of the best stickers in the circuit are under 5-feet-6. Central's Bob Epstein, Benson's Dick Bantner and Prep's Mark Ryan are the "midgets" in question. In fact, Epstein has the potential to become a pro or at least one of the best amateur shooters in the midwest. He has a natural swing and will really pulverize the ball when his physique fills out.

The final fate of our baseball, track, tennis and golf squads will definitely be more pleasant than the results of the football and basketball aggregates' record. The cindermen have produced under fire with a dual match victory over arch rival Benson; Ed Clark's netsters opened by trouncing Tech and the-golfers placed second in a six team carnival at Fremont.

At the writing of this article the horsehiders have not competed, but from all indications we should at least win half of our games.

Some grandstand support could boost the boys even higher making at least one championship a possibility. Remember! See the stars of tomorrow today!



# **Central Cindermen** Squeak By Benson

Central cindermen piled up enough points to defeat highly rated Benson in a dual meet at Benson 66-61.

Gene Williams, a three-letter track man, took home a barrel of blue ribbons for Central by figuring in four first places. Gene set the pace in the 440 and managed to keep it all the way to edge out Walt Neevel of Central who nabbed second place.

Central again took the top two places in the broad jump when Gene jumped 20-feet-3 to top Dick Kelly's 19-feet-11. Gene also ran on the winning mile relay team and tied with Dave Pullias for top high jumper.

Kelly turned in two victories in the 100 and 220.

The Eagles have come up with an exceptional freshman cinderman in Bob Sterling. Sterling provided a tremendous final kick to win easily the open 880, and he also ran anchorman on Central's winning freshman relay team.

In the field, Central vaulters Bob Weigel and Jim Demco tied for second place behind Bob Sponer of Ben-

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#### Kelley, Williams Take Point Lead; Throwers **Counted on for Places**

Eagle cindermen are anxiously awaiting Friday afternoon and the Quadrangular track meet to be held on Benson's track. The Bunnies, Central, Prep and South comprise the competing schools.

In a previous performance, Benson became the victim of the Purple tracksters by a 66-61 score. Highlighting the meet which was the Eagles' first dual competition of the season was Gene Williams. He copped four first places leading the Flyboys to victory. Another outstanding Eagle performance was seen from Dick Kelley, who won both the 220 and 100 yard sprints.

Creighton Prep should supply most of the difficulty in Friday's meet, with Bob Varley leading the Prepsters' broad jump and relay teams. Mike Lenihan will provide the Blue and White hopes in the distances.

In the weight department, the Eagles have not shown too much in previous contests, but the potential is there, and the boys could at any time break through into the victory circle and go as far as state championships. Mark Palmer, Gene Almy

### ennists Crush Tech

The Hilltop netmen won the initial me of their season April 14, as ey beat Tech 2-1 at Dewey Park. The Eagles, predicted to finish secnd in intra-city competition, were arked by returning lettermen Bob all and Lecky Young.

In the singles competition, Young eated Jack Vaccaro of Tech, 6-3, 3. Dick Donelson of Central was feated by Ronald Croft, 3-6, 6-0,

The Eagles' doubles team of Hall nd Keith Stevens garnered a vicry over Tech's Don Sleech and Ed kerson, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3.

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**Freshmen Speedsters** 

The first intra-mural freshman track meet of the year was held during the week of March 28-April1 under the direction of Frank Smagacz. Coach Smagacz hopes that these intra-school meets will aid in the development of his freshman track team and encourage any future stars for the varsity squad.

One of the standouts at this year's meet was Kenneth Russell who won the 100 yard dash, the 220 yard dash and tied with Art Reynolds for second in the 60 yard high hurdles. In addition to these honors. Russell placed first in the pole vault and the shot put and second in the broad jump for a total of 27 team points. Ranking second in total markers was Eugene Owens, who won the 440 yard dash and the broad jump, placed third in the 220 yard dash and tied for third with Willy Nared in the 100 yard dash.

Third place honors went to Bob Sterling who won the 880 yard dash. placed second in the 100 yard and 220 yard dashes, finished third in the broad jump and fourth in the discus.

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\* BASEBALL-STAN WIDMAN-Controlling the center field pasture this season, Stan is an important figure in Coach Karabatsos' plans for victory. Hitting at a terrific pace of .474 in the '54 season enabled him to gain the runner-up position in the intra-city batting race. "Stan the Man" could swish his way to the title this year and lead the Eaglers to a season of upsets. Speed and a strong throwing arm provide him with all the qualities of a highly-rated outfielder. Along with Brigance and Pullias, he is top material for intra-city honor.

★ TRACK—GENE WILLIAMS—Lanky Gene is making a successful return into the Eagle sportslight after suffering a knee injury which kept him from the '54 gridiron. Injury also hampered "Empty's" basketball season, and he was unable to participate in that sport. The track season, however, has thus far earned him high praise. Against Benson, Gene captured four first place victories, including a high jump of 5-feet-9.

\* TRACK-DICK KELLEY-One of the most promising junior athletes at Central, Dick is by no means a new face in the sportslight. Beginning the '54 school year, he played a semi-vital role on the Purple pigskin squad, but looks for a starting berth on next year's team. During the winter months, he was found on the roundball court fighting for a starting position. Though his potential is yet to be shown in football and basketball, Dick has come through in the early part of the '55 track season with flying colors, and has earned himself a place among the top spring sportsmen.

**★ TRACK—DON HAVLU**—Although Don missed receiving intra-city recognition for his play on the '54 gridiron, he is attempting to gain top honors on the track. Don admits his track feats are nothing like the "line-backer" position he played on this year's grid squad, but hopes he will be able to tackle the spring sport with as much ease and ability as he showed on the football field. (Concluded Next Issue)

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Eagle weightmen Jim Goermar and Gene Almy had an off night and managed to get only a second and a third out of the shot competition.

### **Golfers Drop Opener** to Defending Champs

Eagle golf hopes suffered a crushing blow as the linksmen lost an opening game heartbreaker to Benson 364-356. The contest was played at Dodge Park, April 18, under rugged conditions. Due to the appearance of the course, only 9 holes are open for play forcing the players on both teams to play the same greens.

Benson, 1954 champions, submerged the Hilltoppers behind the pro-like play of veterans Dick Bantner and John Mason. Bantner, 5foot-4 junior, carded a one over par 38, while Mason posted a 41.

The Eagle power stemmed from Captain Moon Mullins and sophomore Bob Epstein. Both lettermen posted 40's, but the rest of the team lagged far behind.

and Jim Goermar supply all the necessary power in the Purple's shot put and discus events.

Bob Weigel, improving with experience, could be the darkhorse in league pole vaulting. Garnering second place against Benson, Weigel has since added another half-foot to his former best jump, and will be in top contention for Friday's championship laurels.

### Stooges Accepted!

The traditional O-club initiation was held April 15-16. School stooge ing had the Friday spotlight, and the "informal" initiation occurred Saturday at a county farm. President Dave Pullias announced the complete initiation of 28 boys; eight seniors. 15 juniors, three sophomores and two freshmen. Excepting the seniors, these lettermen will help comprise next year's club.



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