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TEN CENTS

Colonel's Lady Candidates Chosen

Eight senior girls are awaiting the arrival of the Military Ball, January 27, when one of them will be crowned Honorary Colonel's Lady of the Central High ROTC regiment. The girls are Bonnie Haykin, Helen Hockabout, Karen Holm, Barbara Hyland, Karen Krause, Barbara McGlee, Sally Scheer and Phyllis Yoes.

These candidates were selected by members of COC, Commissioned Officers' club. The Colonel's Lady will be chosen by a secret ballot of the officers and will be announced at the Ball.

The 1955 Military Ball Committees and their chairmen also have been announced by M/Sgt. John P. Murphy, Central ROTC instructor.

Kollias, Harrow, Heads

Committee heads for the entire affair are Joe Kollias and Jack Harrow.

The Tickets and Invitations committee is headed by Jerry Ferer; co-chairman is Murray Newman. Members of the committee are James Perin, Joe Kollias, Cecil Wittson, James Shapiro, George Young, Joel Padmore and Mike Lazer.

Heading the Courtesy committee are chairman Dick Einstein and co-chairman Nate Goldston. Members are Donald Dynek, Dick Erickson, David Hufford and Willie Abney.

Chairman and co-chairman of the Grand March and Suspense Movement committee are Bill Roark and Tom Bollinger, respectively. Members are Bill Baird, Jim Dworak, Milo Cowdry and Willie Abney.

Bryans Handles Publicity

Publicity committee is headed by Wally Bryans; co-chairman is Frank Gaines. Members of the committee are Tom Kessler, William Trester, Dick Kelly, Mike Ban and Steve Cohen.

Heading the Escorts committee are chairman Robert Fulton and co-chairman John Holmes. Members are Bruce Price, Larry Hagan and Robert McKenzie.

Heading the Music committee are Ralph Keill and Bruce Donelson, chairman and co-chairman, respectively. Members are Bob Gash and Robert Anderson.

The Stage and Decoration committee is headed by Larry Pearson; co-chairman is Art Novak. Members of the committee are Lecky Young, Larry Hagan, Gaylord Brinlee, Leonard Wheeler, Murray Rose, Marvin Rose, Marvin Joseph, Tony Kalinski and Bob Devan.

Hall Plans Party

Announcements for the ball will be handled by Richard Raskin and William Cooper. They will be aided by Norman Maxwell.

Chairman of the Officers Party committee is Bob Hall; co-chairman, John Goldner. Dave McGaffin will also serve on the committee.

Heading the Saber Drill committee are Jack Harrow and Frank Greenman.

Flowers and Corsages will be taken care of by Roger Hall. Hall will be assisted by co-chairmen John Watts and Mike Erman.

Cords and Colonel's Pips committee is headed by Chester Thompson; co-chairman is Cliff Weeks.

OU Scholar, Miss Nevins, Rites Held

Carolyn Nevins, '53, former Central National Honor society student, was murdered December 9, on the University of Omaha campus.

Miss Nevins, an honor student at the university, excelled in speech and debate. She was also queen of the Job's Daughters. At the time of her death, she was being considered for a fellowship.

At Central, Miss Nevins was active in instrumental music, dramatics and girls' sports.

Twenty-nine Central students were excused December 12 for her funeral.

Choirs to Present Holiday Program

Festivity, wonder and religion are to be the three moods of Christmas depicted in the annual Christmas program December 21. The program features the newly-organized speech choir led by Mrs. Amy Sutton in addition to the orchestra conducted by Noyes Bartholomew.

The program will open in a mood of festivity as the orchestra provides "Toy Trumpet," "Jingle Bells" and "Sleigh Ride," and the speech choir completes the mood with choral speaking.

The mood of wonder will be marked by the playing of "Silent Night," "White Christmas" and "Winter Wonderland."

The program closes on a religious note as "Adeste Fidelis" is played by the instrumentalists.

Board Examination Offered to Any Interested Student

Once again Central High is the testing center for the College Entrance Examination board exams which are held five times during the school year.

The purpose of these tests is to give the 170 colleges participating in the program an idea of how well students are qualified for higher education.

One of these tests was given December 3. The dates of the other four are January 14, March 17, May 19 and August 8.

Any one interested in applying for one of the remaining tests should see Miss Adrian Westberg in the office. Application deadlines for them are December 17, February 25, April 28 and July 18, respectively. Late applications will be accepted, but an additional fee will be charged.

Freshmen Elect Ahlstrand, Larsen, Lazer, Watanabe

Dick Ahlstrand, Linda Larsen, Judy Lazer and Akiye Watanabe were elected December 14 by the freshman class to serve on Student council.

The new representatives were elected from 10 finalists after a primary December 9 in which 48 freshmen ran for office. The 10 finalists were Dick Ahlstrand, Jay Balderson, Bobbie Byers, Dick Harrow, Linda Larsen, Judy Lazer, Paul Madgett, Tom Rhoades, Akiye Watanabe and Pat White.

The four freshmen increase the council to 18 members. They will assist in current and future Council projects.

Freshmen members of Student council are elected to serve the second semester only. This gives the new students time to become better acquainted with their fellow classmates and to choose the best representatives.

'Soldier' Humor Captivates Crowd

The light and laugh-provoking opera, *The Chocolate Soldier*, was presented by Central High's a cappella choir in the auditorium December 8-10.

Mrs. Elsie Howe Jensen directed the opera. She was assisted by Richard Peterson, dramatic coach, and Mrs. Delma Barber, accompanist.

John Holmes handled the male romantic lead, Bumerli, the "chocolate soldier." Also sharing top billing were Barbara Boyer and Barbara Adams double cast as Nadina, a beautiful Bulgarian girl who falls in love with Bumerli. Barbara Boyer and John Holmes held leads in last year's production, *H.M.S. Pinafore*.

Sally Jo Scott as Mascha, a flirtatious, giddy girl, and Jim Goefmar as Alexius Spiridoff, a dashing, conceited major in the Bulgarian army, provided the secondary love interest.

Supporting Roles

John Hansen and Carolyn Cohn supplied comedy in supporting roles: Colonel Kasimir Popoff and Aurelia Popoff, Nadina's parents. Head of the Bulgarian army, Massakroff, was played by Larry Hill. Karen Krause and Dick Einstein played minor roles: Katinka and Stephan. The leads were supported by a 90-voice chorus.

Oscar Straus's *The Chocolate Soldier* is based on George Bernard Shaw's play, "Arms and the Man."

The Central High orchestra, directed by Noyes Bartholomew, accompanied the chorus throughout the opera.

Robert Beck and his stage crew designed and constructed elaborate, colorful settings. Mrs. Amy Sutton served as make-up director.

Performance Delayed

Saturday's performance started five minutes late and some members of the cast were five pounds heavier. This added weight caused a crisis just prior to curtain time when several boys ate the cake which was a part of the props. The opera was delayed until Karen Krause could find more cake.

Adding to the delay was the fact there were no props on stage. The key to the prop room was missing. It seems Karen, who had the key, had left the building to buy a new cake.

Members of *The Chocolate Soldier* cast presented a short preview of the opera at the December 3 student assembly. The opera orchestra, conducted by Noyes Bartholomew, played the overture, and the opera cast portrayed scenes from the third act and finale.



Safe-Teens Gaylord Brinlee, Quay Thompson and Barbara Griffin (left to right) apply safety emblem.

Central Debaters Win Second Crown At Missouri Valley

Central debaters again won the Missouri Valley Boys' debate tournament at South High last Friday and Saturday.

Coach Robert Neujahr's senior team of Gene Kohn and Gary Gitnick and his junior team of Howard Kaslow and Marvin Freedman defended their 1954 crown at the tournament.

Gitnick and Kohn served together when Central won the tournament last year. Their eight wins and no losses this year topped the six wins and two losses of 1954.

Central had sixteen wins and no losses, six wins over second place Benson high. "This was the first time in years that a school has gone undefeated in this tournament," said Coach Neujahr.

Alas! We're Free

- December
- 21—TJ wrestling match at TJ.
- 21-Jan. 4—Christmas vacation.
- January
- 6—Creighton basketball game at Creighton.
- 10—Tech basketball game at Tech.
- 12—Activity program.
- 12-14—Music festival.
- 13—TJ basketball game here.
- 13—South wrestling match here.
- 17—Tech wrestling match here.
- 18—PTA meeting.
- 20—AL wrestling match at AL.
- 20—North basketball game here.
- 20—Greenwich Villagers' sox dance.

National Contest Open to Essayists

How does \$1,000 sound? Pretty good?

Any junior or senior Centralite is eligible to win this amount if he or she partakes in the 1956 Governor's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped essay contest.

The essay should be on the subject, "Independence for the Handicapped Through Employment" and should be less than 1,200 words.

Outstanding essayists in Nebraska will be awarded cash prizes by the Governor's Committee. The state's first prize essay will be entered in the national contest, where prizes range from \$100 to \$1,000.

In judging the essays major credit will be given for significance of the content, originality, impact, organization, clarity of expression and neatness.

Closing date for the contest is midnight February 1, 1956.

For more complete information, students should contact their English teacher or Frank Rice, English department head.

Seniors Choose Committees

Seniors have completed signing up for seven committees which will arrange senior activities for the remainder of the school year.

These groups are under the direction of Miss Cecil McCarter, senior class sponsor.

The Banquet Program committee consists of Phyllis Freedman, Jane Fellman, Bonnie Haykin, Lora Franklin, Jane Brodkey, Rita Katzman, Carole Frank, Shelley Greenberg, Bruce Price, Susie Lipp, Julianne Kurtz, Wally Bryans, Dick Kelly, Marilyn Cerra, Tom Cooper, Ellen Ostronic and Lee Jahr. This committee will select the theme of the senior banquet and arrange other entertainment.

Also working on the senior banquet will be the Banquet Arrangements committee. Members of this committee are Janice Walters, Janice Snowdall, Clarice Elliott, Carol Nechodom, Sandi Shelton, Naikia Knotts, Norma Dunn, Donna Zimmerman, Rosanne Robertson, June Mitchell, Nancy Troxel, Kay Schmidtman, Lynne Lange, Carol Curtis and Pat Edwards.

Dance Committee Named

Dance committee members Janice Minnenhall, Tom Bollinger, Barbara McGlee, Jerry Gordman, Frank Gaines, Barbara Griffin, Mary Saylor, Rita Peltz, Bob Fulton, Gaylord Brinlee, Roger Hall, Eileen Warren, Miyeko Watanabe, Joe Kallias, Bill Roark and Leonard Wheeler will handle arrangements for the dance after the senior banquet.

The Spring Play committee, which includes Judi Gimple, Joan Mason, Karen Gustafson, Mike Meyer, Elva Campbell, Rose Mary Pope, Karen Peterson, Connie Hiner, Nancy Firbrache, Pat Smith, Ginny Sikso, Joyce Canar, Joel Pittlor, Marvin Joseph and Joe Padmore, will supervise the business functions of this annual senior production.

Cap and Gown

Members of the Cap and Gown committee are Sharoll Seeman, Gloria Hoffman, Arlene Jakub, Barbara Crowe, Patti Kirwan, Betty Lipert, Marilyn D'Agosta, Bettyjane Moore, Nancy Shaboz, Edith Schroeder, Robert Devan, Wayne Christensen, Ada Ruth Gerlec, David Widman, Donald Dynek, Marlow Fokken and Sheldon Krantz.

Janice Anderson, Ruth Counsell, Midge Greenberg, Judy Greenberg, Ruth Billingsley, Noreen Gilquest, Ruth Hoffman, Evelyn Turner, Shirley Gilreath, Karen Holm, Toby Raznick, Sandy Miller, Norma Beck, Jack Harrow and James Shapiro will serve on the Banquet Table committee. This committee will decorate the table for the senior banquet.

Seniors serving on the Commencement Arrangements committee will handle the practicing and decorating of the commencement exercises. They

Teens Push Safe Driving

Safe-Teens climaxed enrollment week with the distribution of stickers and bumper tags.

Gene Kohn is the president of Central's new Traffic council. Under him are Boys' and Girls' states, Boys' and Girls' county finalists and student council representatives. A member from each club will also participate in Traffic council. This group plans Safe-Teens policy in conjunction with other high school councils.

Safe-Teens is a city-wide organization promoted by Junior Red Cross and the Safety Education department of the Omaha Police department. It is backed by the Omaha Safety council.

It was started by a judge in Oregon who wanted to show that the majority of teen-age drivers are good drivers. A man came to her shouting about some crazy teen-age driver who nearly ran him over. It turned out that the crazy "teen-age" driver was 45 years old!

Friday was proclaimed Safe-Teens' day in Omaha by Mayor John Rosenblatt. Teen-age drivers were especially careful not to sneak through the yellow light or park in a "truck only" parking zone.

The purpose of Safe-Teens is to promote safety among teen-agers. A Safe-Teen must have a driver's license with no moving violations.

Records of Safe-Teen members and non-members will be kept at Police headquarters and at Central. These records will be compared with similar records all over the country. Eventually, Traffic council hopes to be able to lower teen-age insurance.

"Some, perhaps all, teen-agers could become better drivers," stated Frank Greenman in introducing the Safe-driving assembly December 7.

The assembly was held to interest the CHS student body in Safe-Teens, a newly organized city-wide safe driving group. Safe-Teen membership is open to all who have a driver's license with no moving violation charged against it and drive a car with an approved safety sticker. Membership cards were given out on Safe-Teens' day, December 16.

Participating in the assembly were Jerry Gray, Frank Greenman, Lora Franklin, Bob Hall, Helen Hockabout, Dick Kelley, Gene Kohn, Walt Neevel and Quay Thompson.

Council Members Exchange Visits

Members of the Student councils of the five city high schools put into action their exchange last Thursday. Eight students from other school councils were Central's guests; in turn, eight of Central's members visited other schools.

Learning about the six-hour day at South and Tech were Jim Howard, Sally Freeman, Ray Thompson and Laurie Frank. Nate Goldston, Dick Kelley, Arlene Dergan and Jerry Gray went through a routine day at Benson and North.

The Intra-city council, an organization with five representatives from each high school, planned this project with this purpose in mind: getting new ideas about school management and affairs for discussion and possible adoption, comparing the councils and promoting better inter-school relationships.

are Charlotte Steward, Givendolyn King, Gene Kohn, Betty Scheffler, Carolyn Ruge, Karen Krause, Holly Cyrus, Helen Hawley, Pat Tesar, Kay Jones, Karen Wilson, Bunny Ravitz, Murray Newman, Edwin Bercovici and John Goldner.

Good Will to All Men

No matter who we are—no matter what creed, race, or nationality—all of us have had our lives touched and bettered by the gentle philosophy the Great Teacher brought to this world. Next Sunday we celebrate the anniversary of His coming to earth. As all of us face the complex problems of a perplexed world in the New Year that comes to us during our Christmas vacation, none of us can resolve better for ourselves or for our world than to vow sincerely that we will live our lives in the ideals which the great religious leaders of the ages have given to us. To live honestly with ourselves, to think charitably of others, to treat all men as our brothers, to submerge ourselves in the service of mankind and the building of a better world—these are the virtues out of which Peace on Earth is fashioned.

J. ARTHUR NELSON
Principal

True Holiday Spirit Outwardly Shines In All Walks of Life

Along with plum pudding, turkey, chestnut dressing and Christmas presents we should give some thought to the Spirit of Christmas. What is it?

It is that peculiar mystery which makes us overlook our little brother's comments about our latest dreamboat. It is that wonderful mystery which makes the bus driver forget to ask us for our bus card. It is that mystery which makes us remember those less fortunate than ourselves and makes us charitable toward everyone. The Spirit of Christmas is that awe-inspiring mystery which makes us forgive and love our neighbors.

True Christmas spirit creates within us all a glowing light which warms and unites us. It is that same spirit which inspired Tiny Tim of "The Christmas Carol" to say, "God bless us every one!"

Safe-teens Council Urges Better Driving

At last, something is being done to correct what probably has been the greatest deficiency in the Omaha high school system. Finally, Safe-Teens, a new safety organization for teenagers, is moving to revive and correct the dormant safety program for high school students. (See story on page 1.)

Much emphasis is placed on safety in the grade schools through student safety patrols and police demonstrations.

In high school, safety education stops at the time teenagers need it most—when they are approaching driving age. Safe-Teens' job is to see that students' safety education continues until they leave high school. This organization wants to impress upon teenagers the great responsibility that goes with driving.

Safe-Teens was originated by, is made up of, and is controlled by teenagers. Therefore, only teenagers themselves can make sure that Safe-Teens is a success.

Generation Must Strive for Respect

"What is this generation coming to?" This saying, familiar to everyone, is being used by the press and the public to describe our present day teen-agers. Through escapades of a small number, we have been given the title of juvenile delinquents. It is unfortunate, but true, that people have a tendency to judge the many by the acts of a few.

It is therefore up to us, "the many," to strive to erase this unfavorable reputation. If we will but extend ourselves at every possible opportunity to demonstrate courtesy, consideration and kindness, we can swing the pendulum of public opinion to our side.

Simple kindnesses like offering your seat on a bus, allowing elders first entry into elevators or showing them respect whenever you are waiting in a line, can be more important than you may think. Most of your offers to stand aside will be declined, but you will have made a good impression. It is up to us, the leaders of tomorrow, to make our generation respected.

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Spirit Shows Yule Import

It will surprise you very much to hear that there was once a man who didn't like Christmas. In fact, he had been heard on several occasions to use the word "humbug" in regard to it. His name was Ebenezer Scrooge, and he hated everybody and everything. All he loved was money.

When Scrooge went home at night from his office, he sat in his chair and dreamed of getting his hands on more and more shiny, gold coins.

Scrooge had a clerk who worked for him named Bob Cratchet. Grudgingly on Christmas he gave Bob the day off. Because he couldn't work alone, Ebenezer Scrooge went home to his miserable, cold house and indulged in more dreams. But instead of his usual dreams of mountains of money, he was confronted by a ghost.

Christmas 'Humbug'

The ghost said, "I am the spirit of Christmas. Now I am going to show you what Christmas is really like." In an instant, Scrooge and the ghost were whisked to Bob Cratchet's house. Although they were both invisible, they could hear and see the warmth and cheer in Bob's poor house.

They saw the family seated around the table eating their Christmas dinner, laughing and happy in spite of their poverty. In the midst of it all, Tiny Tim raised his crutch and piped, "God bless us every one."

The spirit turned to Scrooge and said, "Now do you see what Christmas spirit really is?" "Bah! Humbug!" shouted Scrooge. "This stuff is corny! The only thing that counts is money!"

The spirit was very angry at Scrooge. In another instant Scrooge was whisked onto the stage of a big TV show, "The \$100,000 Question!" And who was the contestant? Ebenezer Scrooge! The preliminary questions were quickly disposed of. Tension mounted!

'What a Dream!'

The drums stopped rolling. The announcer pointed his finger at Scrooge, and in a solemn voice said, "What is an expression of universal blessing for this time of the year?" Scrooge gasped. He choked. He almost had a stroke. One hundred thousand dollars and he didn't know the answer. His despair was overwhelming. But wait—his mind flew back to the scene in Bob Cratchet's house. "God bless us every one," he screamed.

"Congratulations, Mr. Scrooge! You have just won \$100,000," the announcer screamed back. Ebenezer fainted dead away.

When he came to, he found himself in his armchair at home. He had a feeling of well-being that he had never had before. For the first time in his life Scrooge felt like a human being. "Boy, was that a dream!" he thought. He felt so good that when he went to the office the next day, he gave Bob Cratchet a raise.

For Thee I Wish—Thine Own Wish; What is Thy Desire?

Thine own wish wish I thee in every place—

The Christmas joy, the song, the feast, the cheer:

Thine be the light of love in every face

That looks on thee to bless thy coming year.

Thine own wish wish I thee—what dost thou crave?

All thy dear hopes be thine, what'er they be.

A wish fulfilled may make thee king or slave;

I wish thee wisdom's eyes where-with to see.

Behold, she stands and waits, the youthful Year!

A breeze of morning breathes about her brows:

She holds the storm and sunshine, bliss and fear.

Blossoms and fruits upon the ending boughs,

She brings thee gifts. What blessing wilt thou choose?

Life's crown of good in earth or Heaven above?

The one immortal joy thou canst not lose

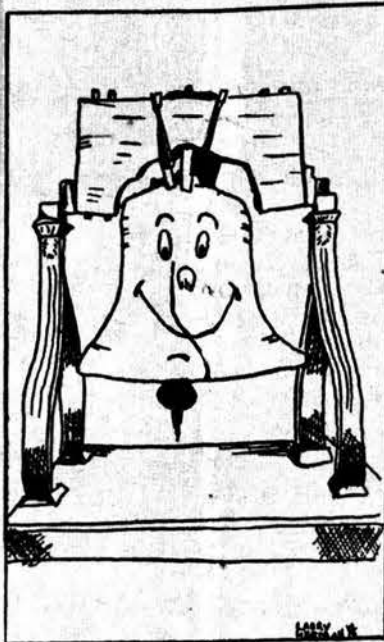
Is love! Leave all the rest, and choose thou love.

Celia Thaxter

Central Profile Belle of the Hall

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Justice and liberty brings to mind our current Central profile. An institution in Central's history, this week's



personality is as traditional to the school as the individual girl and boy stars.

Taking part in all activities, the profile belongs to every organization at Central. Although he prefers not to take active part in any of them, he supports them all. He often wears a campaign poster sticker for someone. Most of his time, however, is spent holding books, eavesdropping on student conversations and just loitering in the halls. Very popular, he is often in the center of a large crowd.

Winged Victory's Sneaky Expose

From the summit of Capitol hill, Central High school has grown for 83 years and I, Winged Victory, a statue, have watched its expansion and changes.

In 1902, I was donated to Omaha High school, now Central High school. I have since learned that Omaha High was first located at Ninth and Douglas streets and moved nine times before coming to its present location at Twentieth and Dodge streets.

In 1905, some friends, full-size casts of Minerva and Clio, joined me in Central's corridors.

I watched the student body grow and grow until it caused an unhealthy congestion. Therefore, I was living in a new quadrangle costing \$750,000 in 1910.

Mountain Climbing

As years passed I noticed the gym (425) become overpacked with students; consequently, the walls appeared to come closer and closer together. Then one day in 1930, I happened to glance toward the north and I noticed a new gymnasium and auditorium just being completed.

I remember all the students dashing down the stairs to the basement lunchrooms to see who could be first in line. Now, I watch everyone panting and puffing from climbing four flights of stairs to the modern cafeteria.

Boiler Room Decor

I realize that one improvement is not appreciated by many pupils now—the doors in the drafty halls which people are constantly colliding with when they are late to classes.

As I was standing on the west side of the building for almost a half-century, the cracks in the walls seemed to become deeper and deeper; the paint started to chip more and more and the stairs began to creak louder and louder.

Now, I am stored in a dark corner of the boiler room all but forgotten. I still hear bits of news from teachers who visit occasionally. This year I understand 425 is no longer a library and 225 is expanded to include 221.

Although through the years, I have become old, decrepit and covered with black, greasy soot, I am still interested in Central High school, and I will be happy to welcome you if you have time to stop by.

However, he is not as active as he would like to be because of an incident which happened to him at an early age. It seems he was hit by a reckless student who was driving down the hall in his brand-new kitty car. The result was a cracked side. The profile is certain that it won't happen again because of the newly-organized Safe-Teens.

In the future he will continue to serve as a symbol of freedom. Students should stop and pay their respects to him as they pass him in the hall every day. Who? The Central High liberty bell.

Fakulty Kwiz

If you're sleeping in class some day, And your thoughts are miles away, When you feel a pat On the place for your hat, It's your friend and mine —

You say your head feels like fire Though we think you might be a liar.

Who'll hear your refrain About your great pain? It's none other than our —

Who's the teacher so handsome and dark? When he walks by the girls he hollers "Hark!"

He's got so much dash With that charming mustache He's daring and bold, —

When you lose your school books you perturb her. When you buy your supplies you disturb her.

But she is always kind, And doesn't seem to mind. Did you guess, that's right,

This certain teacher is very Mathematical and he nary Gets at all upset Though he has reasons—you bet Of course, he's the one and only

Sleeping Pills For the Weary

It's coming to that time of year, Christmas vacation is drawing near. Books and lessons to be thrown in a heap, Wonderful weeks—to sleep and sleep!

I love my teachers; my school work too: History, algebra, pitching woo, Biology, English, civics so deep. But more than anything, I love my sleep.

Tiner footlongs, Miss Pratt so petite, The Operetta—these can't be beat. Sox dance? Hamburger? Ride in a jeep?

I'd trade it all for two weeks of sleep!

Christmas means presents; Santa Claus; A time to think—a time to pause, As for me—into bed I'll leap, Two long weeks—I'll sleep and sleep!

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In the far distant future—today—the long-awaited vacation of 13 days will finally unfold. What does that mean for most of you? Maybe you'll get a lot of sleep, date a little or even work 20 hours a day; but that's no way to spend the few days of freedom that you obtain once in awhile. Some of the more fortunate Centralites are going to break away from this pitiful type of vacation and reeeally live! For you poor homebodyists, here is what the other side is going to be doing while you stay and decay in town:

Paul Festerson, '57, after winning a national grape-peeling contest, is looking forward to the vacation of a life-time. He will spend Christmas in the wonderful, thrilling fun spot of America, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Prize for Beans

Lynne Lange, '56, for guessing how many jelly beans were in a grain elevator in Paducah, Kentucky, will go there next week to receive her prize. Lynne's only problem is that she can't figure out how to bring the darn elevator back.

Tom Kessler, '56, has landed a fascinating job. He is going to be a jockey at Antwerp racing grounds in Moscow, Russia. Tom is in for a rough time, however, as twerpy ants are hard to ride these days.

Joyce Koom, '59, is going to the L.U.G.S.P.L.-W.U.T. convention in Miami, Florida. For you illiterates, this is the Let's Us Girls Smoke Pipes Like We Used To. This newly-formed organization was started in the United States by some sweet mother in Dogpatch.

Ellie Guide, '58, is leaving soon on the Queen Elizabeth to see some friends. This ship will travel around the world before it reaches its destination which is a small island a few miles from San Francisco. (What small island is near San Francisco?)

What a Break!

There will be some consolation for you who are going to stay in Omaha. All the teachers have consented to be here at school every day without pay for all who want to spend vacation studying.

I, the Eagle, can fortunately say after the first half of the school year that I am still all here physically. Whether the little mentality left will survive until the last Register is put to press is the big question. I do have one big favor to ask of you. Please slow down the fan mail as it is very difficult to find the way around 149, and it also develops hard feelings among the other columnists.

Merry Christmas from all the little eagles and all their little eyes.

Is Anybody Available For this New Year's Eve

Have you written to Santa yet? What did you request? Did you say you'd like a cold, green frog, Or a purple and chartreuse vest?

Did you ask for some argyles, Or maybe some B. V. D.'s? I didn't ask for very much; I'm very easy to please.

There's just one thing on my Christmas list. I've kept it up my sleeve. What I want Santa to bring me is A DATE FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE!!!

Resolve or Dissolve

'56's drawing near, And resolution time is here. Those below promise faithfully To keep these promises—You Wait and See!

- I RESOLVE: Sharon Smith: Not to drive south on 17 street. Sally M. Scherer: To exterminate other Sally Scherers. Bruce McGilvary: To give up women. Al Noodle: To stop pulling pony tails. Bob A. Peterson: To exterminate other Bob Petersons. Bob G. Peterson: To change my name so I won't be exterminated. Warren Barth: To read the Register faithfully every week. Mark Palmer: To keep the rest of my front teeth. John L. Williams: To exterminate other John Williams'. Howard Goldstein: To G.G.G.I.J. (To Get Goldner A Girl In January). Steve Newcomer: To get a new line (clothesline that is). Nancy Lindell: To never, never, never make another resolution.

Clubs Celebrate Holiday; Sponsor Yule Programs

Mistletoe—that's jim dandy fine! One Inter-American club member was especially pleased with this thoughtful gift at the club's Christmas party. Members brought gifts and Santa popped in to deliver them.

That blindfolded creature who stood in the middle of the floor swinging a stick wildly was not mad; he was attempting to break the pinata, which is a Mexican decorated clay jar filled with goodies. The creatures who crawled on the floor after the pinata was broken were not squirrels; they were respectable club members picking up the candy and fruit which had fallen from it. Thus a traditional Mexican Christmas custom was carried on at Central.

The junior boys' choir sang, then everyone joined in singing Spanish Christmas carols.

Members of the Homemaking club demonstrated their entertaining skills at a Christmas party Monday.

Under the direction of Clarece Elliot and Jacqueline Hartline, the party gave CHS future homemakers a chance to learn skills they will someday use when entertaining in their own homes.

How does it feel to be Santa to a group of beautiful girls? Mark Palmer found out at the Y-Teens' Christmas party last Wednesday. Assisting with entertainment were Lois Hedell, who demonstrated baton twirling and Linda Jelen, who tap danced.

Members dressed 79 dolls for the Good Fellows, who will give them to poor children for Christmas.

This year's Central High Players' Santa Claus was Gene Kohn who gave presents to all members.

Committee chairmen who planned the Christmas party were Pat Brody, food; June Mitchell, decorations, and Karen Peterson, entertainment.

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Tra-la, la, la, la, la, la, la. 'Tis the season to have parties, and Greenwich Villagers will have their Christmas party tonight.

Homemade cookies, punch, candy canes and games will highlight the program. The committee, headed by Penny Buchanan, also will decorate the room with red, green and white crepe paper.

Others helping are Patty Bower, Helen Hawley, Sandi Shelton, Larkia Knotts, Sandi Feldman, Jean Reagan, Peggy Johnson and Bob Nelson.

Math club held its first Christmas party December 14. "How Mathematics Relates to Christmas" was the general theme of the party.

Miss Cecil McCarter, head of the program committee, arranged a discussion on the history of our calendar, including the origin, past changes and changes which may be made in the future.

Thespians annual Christmas party and initiation of new members took place Monday. Anita Ravitz, Thespians president, announced the addition of the following new members to the club:

Barbara Bercutt, Ann Williams, Shay Mayne, Sandra Lincoln, Diane Farwell, Jan Mastos, Barbara Nogg, Leni Wine, Elaine Raskin, Helen Vann, Marlene Swartz.

Linda Veret, Shelley Greenberg, Bernie DeKoven, Leanna Haar, Judy Frericksen, Rod Reiff, Emery Reiff, Jim Thomas, Carole Frank, Dick Raskin and Connie Hiner also are new members.

The American poem, "The Night Before Christmas," was adapted to fit in with the days of the Romans in a latinized version at the Latin club meeting Monday. Gary Gitnick played Santa Claus and members sang Latin Christmas carols.

The month of December was one of the busiest of the year for Colleens. December 14 was the day of their gala Christmas party which would not have been complete without the annual visit of Santa Claus. To add to the festivities, a senior quartet entertained the group.

Also in the holiday spirit, the adopt-a-family committee is providing Christmas dinner for a needy family. Tag committee members sold tags for Tuberculosis.

Colleens, together with Y-Teens, took 25 orphans from the St. James orphanage on an excursion to see Santa December 12.

To round out their holiday activities, the tree committee performed an annual feat by decorating the Christmas tree in the east hall. This tree will be sent to University hospital after school today.

Interest Groups Formed In Outdoorsmen Club; More Activity Planned

There is now a more democratic rule among Outdoorsmen. The club is divided into interest groups and members belong according to their own interests. Group captains, representative of boys in the groups, and club officers compose the inter-group council, the policy-making body of the club.

Those appointed captains are Larry Berger, Sebastiano Cacioppo, Ed Cowger, Bob Drake, Bob Fulton and Dave Hufford.

Others are Joe Kollias, Roger Sharpe, Joel Padmore, Jim Zadina and Larry Pearson.

Any team wishing to challenge the club's basketball team should see Jim Zadina.

Giving is an opportunity. Take advantage of this opportunity by giving your support to school clubs and activities. Your life at Central will be greatly enriched.
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Nurses' Club to Visit St. Joseph's Hospital

"In order to see a hospital in operation, members of the Nurses' club plan to visit St. Joseph's hospital," Pat Edwards, newly-elected vice president, reported.

Because of an election tie, the president will be announced in a later issue of the Register. Barb Griffin was elected corresponding secretary.

Future plans of this educational-service club, which is open to junior and senior girls, include having speakers from different branches of nursing.

Colleens Aid Hospital

St. Nicholas probably has an extra treat in his bag for members of the Colleens hospital committee. Mrs. Idelle Benedetti, committee sponsor, says the girls help at St. Joseph's hospital as nurses' aids every Friday afternoon.

Girls feed polio patients who come from all over the country and are all ages. They say they are rewarded by the feeling of satisfaction that comes from helping others.

Rosanne Robertson and Sally Jo Scott are committee chairmen.

Clubs Offer Opportunities; Round Out Education

"But what do clubs offer me?" wailed the quizzical freshman.

When you join a club you are entering into a reciprocal trade agreement with yourself. You are agreeing to work for rewards which will be in proportion to your labor.

Outdoorsmen Aid 'Pride' Campaign

Attention, all clubs! What can you do to further the cause of the "Take Pride in Central" campaign? The Outdoorsmen challenge you to surpass their current clean-up project.

During Christmas vacation the boys will clean walls and possibly sand desks in the 215 study hall. Don Dichsen is chairman of the project.

Bob Harriman, Joel Padmore, Irvin Neely, Mike Miller, Warren Mohrhussen, Dick Wrench, Fred Burbank and Jack Harrow will take an active part in the work.

Others helping are Dick Ahlstrand, Linden Hoas, Subby Cacioppo, Don Roll, Larry Kastrick, Joe Jarvis and Bruce Olson.

Here is one answer to the Outdoorsmen clean-up challenge. Members of Hi-Y plan to paint study hall walls on Saturdays after Christmas.

Other plans include organizing the club's basketball team. The league will begin after Christmas.

COC Elect Officers; Bob Hall, President

Senior ROTC officers for 1955-56 formed the Commissioned Officers Club December 13 around their newly elected officers.

Officers are Bob Hall, president; Joe Kollias, vice president, and Murray Newman, secretary-treasurer.

The COC also nominated candidates for colonel's lady.

By entering into extra curricular activities you become a working cog in the school and gain school spirit. You meet classmates who are outside your own small circle of friends and discover that they have interests similar to yours. With these new friends you have a chance to develop your ability to get along with others. And thus you gain that pleasant, needed feeling of belonging and of being known.

You round out your education by learning about others—their customs, their way of life, their sports and their needs. You learn, maybe for the first time, about community service. You learn how to lead and, indirectly, how to become a better citizen.

With the help of your counselor you learn the law of definite proportions. You learn to balance club activities with your school work and other activities so you get the full value of each. After finding that happy medium, you will have developed yourself into a happier and more mature person.

Donelson-Thomas Bill Defeated in Legislature

Dick Donelson told Hi-Y members about his experiences in Lincoln at the model legislature where he and Jim Thomas introduced a bill to abolish the Board of Control. The bill went through all committees but was defeated on the final voting before the senate.

Also at the meeting December 5, Dr. Latenser explained the harmful effects of alcohol and tobacco on the human body. The doctor showed movies and answered questions.

Members helped sell tickets for an all-day pancake mix which was given by the YMCA last week-end. Profits will go to help finance next year's Hi-Y model legislature.

CENTRAL HIGH PLAYER Wishes You A MERRY CHRISTMAS	SEASON'S GREETINGS from the AUDIO VISUAL CLUB	LIBRARY CLUB Wishes You A HAPPY NEW YEAR	YULETIDE GREETINGS from COLLEENS
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Jamie Shapairo
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Diane Brown and Jean Johansson
Ruth "Erskine" Wardle
Shirley Gilrath
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Linda Harmon and Judy Church
Kay Frost and Janet Folger
Jan Mastos
Liz Richards
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Neujahr Rebukes Prejudices

"The Japanese people are warm, friendly and honest," stated Robert Neujahr, Central High debate coach and social studies teacher. Neujahr was principal of a Japanese high school for two years before coming to Central.

The popular stereotype of "sneaky orientals" is entirely without basis, Neujahr pointed out. "Americans tend to judge others on their own level, forgetting that other people's cultures, ideas and standards are dissimilar to theirs."

Neujahr returned to this country with a pride in American facilities and buildings. He stated that the majority of Japanese schools have no heat and students sit on crude wooden benches. In spite of these conditions they are expected to study very hard if they want to continue their education. School in Japan is compulsory through the junior high level, but extensive and very difficult entrance exams are required for admission to high school or college.

Japanese teen-agers are similar to American youth in that they are very sports conscious. They are avid baseball fans and have judo squads which correspond to our wrestling teams. Soccer, tennis and basketball are also played.

However, Japanese differ from American youth in that social life is almost nil. Several Japanese "co-educational" schools consist of two buildings on one campus: one holding classes for girls; the other, for boys. Dances are never held.

Neujahr found that his limited knowledge of the Japanese language was not a large barrier as English is the secondary language of Japan.

Geometry Classes Design Windows

Stained glass church windows have nothing over those that Miss Irene Eden's geometry classes made. Students constructed stained glass windows from wood and colored cellophane.

They are also making geometric figures from paper for the class Christmas tree. Those who worked on the windows are Judy Loring, Carolyn Ruge, Paul Moessner, Judy McQuin, Judy Fredericksen, Gayle Glissman, John Nelson, Myron Papadakis and Rachel Douglas.

'55 History Club Donates Trophy

The 1955 ROTC History club of Central High school has donated a trophy in memory of M/Sgt. Donald C. Turner to Central's ROTC regiment.

The History club composed of Robert Sullivan, Larry Morrissey, Sidney Klopper, Sheldon Sterenberg and Raymond Young suggested that the trophy should be awarded yearly to the best company. The names of both the company commander and the first sergeant, together with the year of issuance, will be engraved upon the trophy.

Council Tabulates Reading Test Scores

Wrong answers is the problem that is confronting Student council. It is making an "error check" of seventeen hundred National Iowa Silent Reading tests taken November 30 by Central High school students.

"While waiting for special machines to grade tests, Student council is tabulating the questions missed most frequently," stated J. Jay Planter, assistant principal. After completing this check, Central High school will be rated with other secondary schools in the country on a basis of reading comprehension.

Library Aids Pupils; Exhibits New Books

New books on current events will be displayed in the fiction library the rest of the school year.

The purpose of the displays is to aid the students in the selection of meritable current events books. This policy has been started during the Christmas season so that students may select worthwhile books for vacation reading.

Books and posters discussing the festival of Christmas are on display in the library now.

Centralites Visit Court; Supplement Class Work

American government classes glimpsed true-to-life governmental procedures December 14 at the court house.

In past years students have viewed robbery cases, testimony of witnesses and arguments of lawyers in civil suit cases.

This experience links the pupil's class-room training with examples of actual legal practices.

Students Operate Ham Radio Station

Did you know that Central High is the owner of a ham radio shack?

Yes, unknown to many Centralites, Dick Noland, '55, and Roger Peterson, '56, began to build a radio shack last year from equipment supplied by the school. Roger, who has his novice operator's license, has done most of the wiring and set-up work by himself.

The probable range of the station under ideal conditions is to either coast. Last year an unsuccessful attempt was made to record radio Moscow.

At present the equipment's value is approximately \$500. A more expensive and complete transmitter will be added when the school receives a stronger power supply.

Book Club Urges Vacation Reading

Members of the Library club direct the following message to Central High students:

Support your school and boost your library. Everyone should check out a library book during Christmas vacation to improve his literary taste while enjoying a good book.

For seniors there are pamphlets from every college and university in the United States to aid the seniors in the choice of their future alma mater.

Dental Health Exhibited To All Biology Classes

Biology students viewed the Omaha District Dental society's exhibit, "Your Dental Health," last week.

This is the third year that the exhibit of dental care and cavities has come to Central. A representative of the dental society lectured last Wednesday.

New German Student Joins Central High; Speaks No English

Sprechen sie Deutsch? If you can speak German, talk to 14 year-old Werner Ebert. He is an expert.

He arrived from Konigsberg, Germany, with his father, mother and older sister only 22 days ago.

Although Werner was not taught English before he came, he is learning quickly. He already speaks a little English, but he is proficient in understanding the universal and unofficial sign language.

To clear up any misunderstandings Tony Huetter, a Central freshman, helps as Werner's interpreter and guide.

In Germany Werner worked as an apprentice in a lock-maker's shop. So, of course, Werner's favorite corner in Central is the shop room. After school Werner likes to watch television and work with locks.

What about the future? You guessed it. Werner wants to do something with those locks.

Grinnell Honors 6 Central Alumni

Peggy Peterson, '54, a sophomore at Grinnell college, toured with the Grinnell Women's Glee club November 29-December 1. The club presented concerts in Iowa, Illinois and Missouri.

Four Central graduates have been promoted in the Grinnell college Air Force ROTC detachment. Robert Madgett, '54, was promoted to cadet technical sergeant; Robert Lucas, '55, and James Schenken, '54, cadet airman first class; Miles Bell, '54, cadet airman second class.

Patricia Schroeder, '52, senior at Grinnell, has written a short story, "The Island," which was printed in the Grinnell college literary magazine, "Maverick."

Arabian Steeds, Fishing Vacations Spice Lives of Eagle Instructors

Pupils don't realize that teachers have other interests besides torturing their students. Teachers' hobbies and interests are numerous and varied.

Central biology instructor Esmond Crown is proof of the unusual interests that teachers might have—he is an Arabian horse enthusiast. Crown is a director of the Arabian horse association of Nebraska and owns four through-bred Arabian horses. He attended a convention of the International Arabian horse association in Colorado during Thanksgiving vacation.

ROTC Regiment Scores Two Superior Ratings

Central High's ROTC department received a superior rating in two inspections conducted by personnel of Fifth army headquarters.

The regiment earned the rating in the ordnance inspection held during the latter part of November and was complimented by Fifth army staff.

The second inspection was conducted by Colonel Stoker, inspector general from Fifth army headquarters. Over-all training facilities including supply, classrooms, range, ordnance and signal equipment were checked. Central also received a superior in this inspection.

Horses enter into the extra-curricular activities of other Central teachers also. Both Miss Verona Jerebek and Mrs. Joan Madeksza place horse-back riding high on their lists of interests. Miss Jerebek also enjoys ice-skating.

Wentworth Clarke, a true outdoorsman, cherishes outdoor living. His ideal way of vacationing is "seeing America in a tent." He enjoys fishing above all and has the honor of catching the biggest large-mouthed black bass in Nebraska.

Photography is the major hobby of several Central instructors. Miss Irene Eden, a beginner in this field, will probably seek help from pro's like Miss Virgine McBride and Miss Margaret Wymuller. Miss McBride concentrates her photographic skill on her 2½-year-old niece.

Besides enjoying photography Miss Wymuller likes sailing. Although she hasn't been able to sail for three years, she is looking forward to her next "voyage".

Many members of the faculty list reading as their hobby. Frank Rice has gone deeper into this field; he is now editing text books.

One teacher, when asked if she had any fun hobbies, answered, "No, but I have a funny 'hubby'."

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4. If chosen for semi-finals, entrants must appear in Omaha, Saturday afternoon, January 21, 1956.
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Two Points! Why? Read

Do you really understand the fundamentals of wrestling? A match lasts a total six minutes or three two minute periods. In the first period the grapplers begin wrestling from standing positions.

A flip of a coin decides which wrestler gets the commanding position in the second stanza. In the third period their positions are reversed.

During the course of a match there are five methods of earning points for the individual. A near fall, which is almost a pin, counts three points.

A take down and an escape, getting behind a man, gives two points. One point is garnered by facing an opponent or by a predicament. A predicament occurs when a wrestler's shoulders are at a 45 degree angle off the mat.

Points for the team are obtained by a pin, decision or tie. The pin, of course, counts the maximum five, the decision three and the tie one.

If it is not clear when a pin occurs ask Angelo Cuva or Bill Hudgins, boys from Central High's wrestling team.

Knapple Reaches Thirtieth Year in Central Athletics

For 30 years Central's athletics have revolved around Frank Y. Knapple. Whenever a controversy arises or a question needs answering, Knapple is the man to see.

Knapple was a coach at Central for 15 years and has been athletic director since 1939. He put his wide experience to use recently by answering several pertinent questions: What makes a successful coach? What makes a successful athlete?

"If a boy loves athletics, is willing to work and has some natural ability he can become a successful athlete." "Good material, knowledge of the game, adequate equipment and a student body that backs you up are probably the main factors that make a coach successful," he stated.

Knapple was very successful in his last two years of coaching—1937, '38. His basketball team won the old Missouri Valley conference in 1931.



Knapple, wife watch victory

Knapple's baseball teams were always a frontrunner and finished second in Inter-city standings several times. They failed to cop first place, however.

Knapple said that Central's athletic program shows signs of coming up at the present time. "Central was probably most successful in athletics in the late 30's and early 40's," he stated.

He said Central has been most successful in wrestling during the past ten years, crediting most of this success to wrestling coach Norman Sorensen. "Sorensen is one of the best high school wrestling coaches in the country. He has a thorough knowledge of the game, ability to work with individuals, a psychology that carries over to his wrestlers and the trick of developing a winning habit," Knapple stated.

At the present time in addition to his other duties, Knapple is Central's representative on the Student Athletic association, a high school athletic policy making organization.

Eagle sharpshooters have dropped only three points in the second phase of the National Matches. Results of these will be announced later in the year.

Reserves Cop Four; Loss to Bunnies Mars Team Record

The Eagle's reserve team has taken a step in the right direction with victories over Lincoln, South, Abraham Lincoln, North and a single loss to Benson.

Trailing 27-17 at the half, Central sparked by Phil Barth's 16 points, jumped to a 43-33 decision over the Lincoln High reserves. Ken Russell and Eugene Owen rebounded well for the hoopsters.

The South game and home opener for the baby Eagles found them setting a torrid 24 point first quarter pace and winning the contest 64-43. The Purples were led by Ray O'Brien who was playing his first game for the reserves.

In the contest with Benson, Central was hindered by the loss of Ken Russell who was promoted to the varsity. The Eagles sorely missed his rebounding power as they dropped a 39-32 decision.

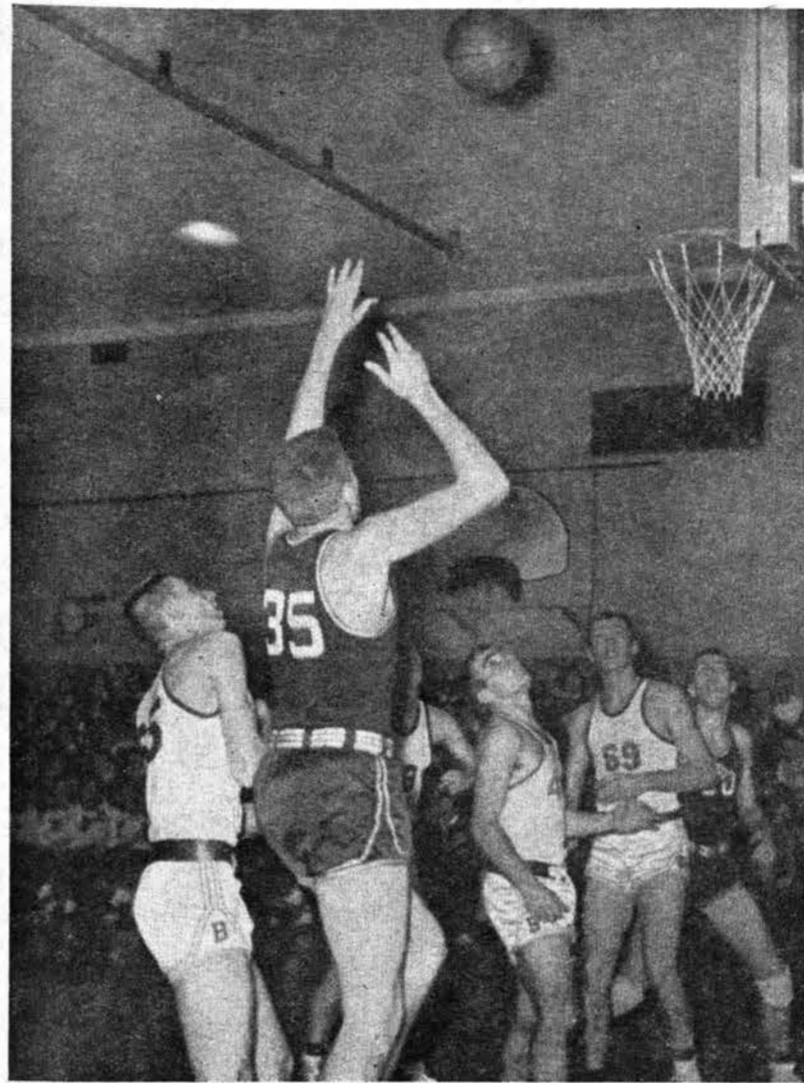
The Eagle roundballers overcame an early first period 8-5 deficit and fought to a 32-31 victory over North at Omaha university's field house.

Central took advantage of Viking fouls to pull away in the fourth period.

The reserves, coached by Jim Sharp, won a game over Abraham Lincoln which had the onlookers sitting on the edge of their seats.

The Sharpmen were behind at the conclusion of the first half 23-27. Central gained a fourth quarter lead and held on to win the game in the closing seconds 58-57.

Cagers Gain Top Spot



Carmody hits two against Benson

photo by Steve Cohen

Purples Capture Three Straight; Face Powerful Prep, TJ Teams Soon

Eagle roundballers are now prepared for the tough schedule which follows Christmas vacation as they have triumphed in four out of their first five contests.

Last Saturday Central took a 46-39 decision from a stubborn Lincoln High team in a game played in the Lincoln Northeast gym.

A series of buckets by Bob O'Toole and Wally Bryans late in the fourth quarter put Central safely in front of Lincoln. The Eagles were led by Larry Carmody and O'Toole who scored 12 and ten points respectively.

December 16, in Central's home opener, the hoopsters bounced undefeated South to earn a tie for first place in the Inter-city race.

Central went ahead to stay 8-7 when Anthony Wright scored with 2:15 remaining in the first period.

Larry Carmody paced Central to 19-13 advantage with eleven points in the first half.

South Closes Gap

In the third period two quick baskets by Bryans and Carmody raised the score to 23-13.

However, in the fourth quarter, Ed Hubbard brought the Packers within two points of the underdog Eagles 30-28. The Eagles again pulled away on buckets by Carmody, Wright and Bryans to lead by ten points with a minute left to play.

Carmody played his best game of the season as he did a fine job of controlling the backboards against the taller South players. He also added 23 points to the Eagle's cause. Dick Kelley's tip-in with 2:40 left in the second period put Central ahead of Benson 24-22 after a cold first quarter.

Wally Bryans and "Moon" Mullins kept the Eagles out of danger in the second half as they collected a total of 15 points each. Anthony Wright played a good defensive game for the Eagles and garnered ten points. The final score stood 57-47.

Francis, Chapman Lead AL

The Purples faced potent Abraham Lincoln December 9, at the Lynx field house and lost 70-50.

A capacity crowd saw A.L. make 83 per cent of their foul shots in the first half and forge ahead 34-24.

The victors were led by Chuck Francis and Jack Chapman who scored 25 and 23 points respectively.

In the season opener against North, Central staged an explosive second half scoring thrust while limiting the Vikings to only five points as the Eagles took a 46-22 decision.

The Eagle defenses held the Vikings scoreless for over 11 minutes of the second half until Norseman Terry Cook sank a pair of free throws. Dennis Mullins, Central forward, paced the hoopster's initial victory with 18 points.

a volley ball tournament sponsored by GAA.

Freshman captains are Sandra Barco, Mary Ellen Cole, Judy Johnson, Josephine Koom, Nancy Longworth, Judy Nichols and Marlene Rosenthal.

Upperclassmen captains are Edith Buis, Betsy Dayton, Laurie Frank, Dorothy Hatcher, Valerie Hayslett, Janet Lammers, Mary LaRosa, Joan Mason, Rita Swayzee, Joyce Toll, Leni Wine and Dawn Wright.

Girls will play every Friday night for eight weeks. Winning teams from each grade will then vie in a play-off tournament.

As zero hour for the reindeer's annual flight approaches, Eagle sports enthusiasts can look hopefully toward continuation of winter sports after vacation.

For the first time in many years, Central followers can find their team's name near the top in both wrestling and basketball.

The basketballers have fooled the "always accurate" pre-season dopsters. Predicted to finish near the bottom in the eight-team loop, the cagers have won four out of five to gain a tie for first place.

The roundballers face a tough schedule after the holiday rest. They begin against a Von Terschless Prep team and then meet a win-hungry Tech five. Both these games are on the opponent's court and neither can be considered a pushover.

Comparison Drawn

The Thomas Jefferson game, which finishes the first round-robin, will also be tough in view of the 77-73 defeat handed Abraham Lincoln by the Yellowjackets.

An interesting comparison was inadvertently drawn by the World-Herald on December 17. One headline showed Central ending South's winning streak to gain a tie for first and in the very next column was a headline proclaiming the termination of our wrestler's remarkable streak.

The loss takes the pressure off the grapplers and will allow them to go into each match more relaxed. The first match of 1956, against South, will go a long way toward deciding the Inter-city champion.

Talent Uncovered

The trip to Lincoln to meet Lincoln High exposed some hidden talent.

Other writers list certain dancers as extremely graceful, trippers of the light fantastic and other complimentary names. This column would like to offer a few additions to that list.

Among them are Fred Clough, Bob Sterling, Anthony Wright, Rich Nared and Art Reynolds. These soft-shoe artists wowed the team on the way back from Lincoln.

The win over Lincoln broke a long-standing Eagle jinx. The Purples hadn't defeated the Links in football and basketball during the same season for over 30 years.

'55 Season Closes

The victory came as sweet revenge for those players who made the journey to Lincoln two years ago. Many of the present varsity were on the second team when Lincoln romped through both halves of the double-header.

Today's wrestling match with T.J. closes the 1955 campaign. 1955 started with little good cheer for the Eagles, but Central's stock has risen on the Inter-city market and prospects look even better for 1956.

When you see the New Year's baby, look closely at her diapers . . . they'll be purple!

Marksmen Edged; Drop TJ Match

The Eagle marksmen were edged out of their fifth match of the season by the score of 895 to 891. The match was dropped to second place Thomas Jefferson on December 8.

Central's high five shooters were paced by John Watt's 187. Watts was followed by Bob Julich 178, Dick Einstein 177, Dick Erickson 175 and Payson Adams 174.

Central's three wins and two losses rank them third in Inter-city competition. Benson heads the list with five wins and no losses and Thomas Jefferson is in second place with four wins and one loss.

Streak Halted at 42 Eagles Need TJ Win

Will Central's wrestlers regain the victory trail so common to the Eagle campus?

Thomas Jefferson's Yellowjackets will hold the key to this question today as they oppose the Purples on TJ's mats at 3:15 p.m.

T.J. was beaten handily by South 33-14. This win is not entirely significant of the Yellowjacket's strength. South had six pins (30 points) while T.J. was taking the 112, 120, 127 and 138 pound weight divisions.

South is rated by their own coach as being Central's main nemesis this year.

Beginning the season with 40 consecutive dual meet victories, the Eagle grunt and groaners extended their number to 42 wins over Tech and Abraham Lincoln.

Eagles Top AL

Then it happened. Traveling to North with such standouts as Angelo Cuva, Bob Meehan and Sandy Rocca unable to make weights the Central chain was broken.

The Vikes, winners by 26-16, ended a string which will probably never be repeated. Forty-two consecutive matches without a blemish.

Central's forty-second straight victory was over Abraham Lincoln, 21-16.

Before the home crowd for the first time this season, the grapplers were erratic in the middle weights. Ron McGruder's 1-0 decision over Tim Hollinger was the only bright spot.

The Eagles were unable to capture those important five point pins. Abraham Lincoln had two pins; Central none.

With the Eagles behind 15-16 and

O-Club Incorporates New Award System

"We are reverting to the old system of awarding letter sweaters and honor stars," stated Dick Kelley, O-club president.

Under this system white sweaters will only be worn by members of Inter-city championship teams. All other letterwinners will be allowed to don purple sweaters.

Individual state champions will have a gold star on their shoulder. White stars will be awarded to Inter-city all-stars.

Team captains will wear gold chevrons. A white chevron will be awarded for each year a boy earns a varsity letter.

"This system is being revised with the new crop of lettermen in the hopes that a pattern can be set for future years," Kelley said.

Inter-city Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Central	3	1	.750
South	3	1	.750
Creighton Prep	3	1	.750
Thomas Jefferson	3	1	.750
Abraham Lincoln	2	2	.500
North	1	3	.250
Benson	1	3	.250
Tech	0	4	.000

Freshmen to Start Play Next Month

Freshman basketball players will begin their season January 7. The players will again be divided into "A" and "B" leagues.

Last year's "A" team finished second in the single round-robin season. Height is not lacking on this year's outfit. Four boys top 6 feet. Steve Carroll, Richard Mayberry, Frank Jones and Arnold Dailey are the young giants.

Other good prospects are Mike Hayden, Jim Hall, Bill Scheibler, Joe Sweeney, Don Townsend, Dick Harrow, Charles Dickerson and Bruce Hunter stated Coach George Andrews.

GAA Plans Winter Fun

GAA mermaids are splashing their way around the Jewish Community center every Wednesday and Thursday night.

The girls swim an hour once a week for ten consecutive weeks. Classes range from 20 to 25 girls.

Miss Treat has divided the "swimmers" and the "beginners" into separate classes. She is aided by GAA members with Red Cross life saving certificates.

Twenty teams are participating in

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- Jerry Mielke
- Milt Moskovitz
- Jim Olsen
- Art Reynolds
- Ken Russell
- Tom Corritore, Student Manager
- Fred Clough, Student Manager
- Ray Grace, Student Manager

Reserve Letterwinners

- Phil Barth
- Mike Blatt
- Pat Congrove
- Ron Dighlto
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- Bill Gibson
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- Myron Papadakis
- Chesley Pierce
- Jim Ruegge
- Mark Schimmel
- Bob Sterling
- Leonard Sweeney
- Dick Wrench

All-city Clinic Starts Practice

The All-city high school music clinic will be held January 14 at 8 p.m. in the Civic auditorium arena.

Rehearsals will be held at various high schools for choral, orchestra and band sections of the festival January 12-14.

George Howerton will conduct the festival chorus, which is organized by Miss Regina Place. The orchestra under the chairmanship of Noyes Bartholomew will be conducted by Richard Duncan. Chairman of the festival band, which will be conducted by George Wilson, is H. B. Smith. Lytton S. Davis is the general chairman of the entire festival.

A wide selection of numbers will

Beginning Homemakers 'Tea-Time' with Mothers

Students in Mrs. Fern McCready's Homemaking I classes acted as hostesses at Christmas teas given for their mothers last week.

In addition to greeting and introducing their mothers at the tea, the girls made refreshments that were served and room and table decorations. A cookie tree decorated the table.

be presented by each division. Choral numbers will include "Deaf Old Woman" by Davis and "Harmony in Marriage" by Haydn.

"Chit Chat Polka" by Strauss and "Czech Rhapsody" by McKay are among selections chosen by the orchestra.

Junior Red Cross Contributes Service For Yuletide Cheer

Community service! Central's Junior Red Cross has certainly been doing its share.

All members of Central's student body were asked to bring canned food to their home rooms. This canned food formed the nucleus for Christmas baskets which will be given to needy families. Meat or poultry for the holiday dinner will be added to each basket with funds from the Junior Red Cross treasury. Gene Kohn is in charge of the operation.

Varsity, Novice Debaters Shine

The Central High debate team has again achieved victory. Their conquest—Northeast high's debate tournament held in Lincoln December 3.

The five-man squad of Mike Ban, Marvin Freedman, Howard Kaslow, Saul Kripke and Tom Kully won three trophies. They were awarded as follows: Superior debate team—Freedman-Kaslow; School debate—Freedman-Kaslow and Kully-Kripke; Sweepstakes—Freedman, Kaslow, Kully. Central debaters tied with Tech for first place in the North high

Benson's Band Invited To Orange Bowl Game

Congratulations Benson "Bunnies"! Benson high school's marching band of 102 students has been invited to perform in the Orange bowl game at Miami, Florida, January 1 and 2.

novice debate tournament December 10.

The Central foursome of Richard Speier, Stuart Persell, Laurence Zacharia and Paul Shyken won five debates and lost one.

Brandeis Creations Danced Through Their Heads!!

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the hall Not a student was stirring... the mice had a ball!

The children were home asleep in their beds Let's see what visions danced through their heads.

Miss Chandler and Hockabout's dreams are, per chance, Of two reindeer tickets and some sort of dance.

Right here I'd like to inject my feelings about this dance (Commonly called the Dancer Prancer.) You probably think I'm going to tell you where you can find the prettiest, smartest, most reasonable dresses in town. You think I'm going to tell you to go to Brandeis. I am.

There's a winter-white wool sheath dress at Brandeis that has an Italian neckline and tiny gold buttons down the front. This perfect creation is yours for just \$14.95! Imagine that!

Another really great-looking dress is a baby blue Madeleine Faith original. The long torso has a jeweled effect. Come in and take a peek at this scrumptious dance frock.

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And Brandeis is here with a Bobbie Brooks plaid jacket that can be matched with a plaid skirt or mixed with a solid-colored skirt. Many girls buy a solid and a plaid skirt to go with their Bobbie Brooks jacket. It's really a good idea! The jacket is \$14.98; the skirt is \$10.98. It would be mighty nice in your stocking, too! While Rudolph in his harness and I in my sleigh

Were ready for parties to celebrate Christmas day.

You can be ready for parties, too. A jeweled orlon sweater is just the thing for a festive holiday party. A scooped-neck sweater costs only \$8.98. Or, how about an Ellen Tracy "Butterfly blouse?" This blouse is made of glamorized cotton that is guaranteed washable! For \$5.98 it would be nice for you or as a gift for one of your special friends.

When out on the speedway there arose such a clatter

It was good old Santa, now what was the matter?

Don't worry, it was only a little car trouble. But Santa fixed everything and was distributing gifts again in no time. I took a look in his bag. Some lucky girl is going to get a beautiful baby blue Hadley cashmere sweater from Brandeis third floor. She can match it up with a Petti skirt. Those wonderful Pettis come in pastels... They're really a bargain at \$5.98.



And then Santa shouted From the snowy-white yard, You'll still hear the echo If you listen real hard. You may hear him call As he drives out of sight: "Merry Christmas to all And to all a good night!"

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