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TEN CENTS

Marcia Zalkin, Tom Welch, Jerry Rosen Have Leads in Senior Drama Playing Friday, Saturday Nights, May 10-11

CHS 'PYGMALION' TO HONOR SHAW CENTENNIAL

Ticket Reservations to Begin April 30; Senior Committee Handles Sales

Tickets for the Friday night performance of *Pygmalion* may be purchased by SA ticket holders for 50 cents in the book room on April 30. Preliminary tickets, issued today, may be exchanged for reserved seats for the Saturday night performance for \$1.00 in the book room beginning April 30.

Five set changes will emanate from the two and one-half hour production. The scenes include a rainy street before St. James cathedral, Professor Higgins's elaborate French drawing room and an unusual surprise scene on Central's stage for the first time.

Bernard Shaw's clever piece of satire concerning this ludicrous transformation comes from the old Greek legend of the sculptor who made his beautiful statue come to life.

Members of the spring play committee who are carrying on the business end of the play are Don Dichsen, Arlene Dergan, Evelyn Levey, Judy Lewis, Sharon Wilson, Linda Veret, Brenda Katzman, Art Staubitz, Nancy Blotcky, Robert Wilson, Joan Mayer, Diane Singer, Lois Hedell, Lowell Baumer, Arnie Winer and Gini Brager.

Central high's orchestra will play the overture to *My Fair Lady* before each performance of the play.

Norman Kirschbaum Directs Costume Spectacle

Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11, are the days! Honoring the George Bernard Shaw centennial, the senior class will present the Irish playwright's *Pygmalion* at 8 p.m. on Central's stage. Directing the '57 show is dramatics coach Norman Kirschbaum. He will be assisted by Student Directors Fran Davidson and Jim Hedrick.

Tom Welch plays the crusty Professor Higgins; and Marcia Zalkin is Liza Doolittle, the brash, cockney pupil who achieves her aspirations.

Pygmalion is the amusing spectacle of a London cockney flower-girl who through the efforts of a skilled and dignified professor of phonetics develops in six months into an almost perfect lady of fashion.

The spring play is infused with a variety of Shaw's warm characters. Jerry Rosen plays Colonel Pickering, a gentleman always; Alyce Brown is Mrs. Higgins, the portly mother who doesn't understand her son but is always a lady; James Cobb is Alfred Doolittle, Liza's drunken and sloven father who is always in search of a fast buck; and Ruth Ann Garz is Mrs. Pearce, the practical housekeeper with both feet on the ground.

Leni Wine is Mrs. Eynesford Hill, a powder-pigeon dowager dotting on her children; Roger Laub is Freddy Hill, a young man tied to mother's apron string; and Sharon Wilson is Clara Hill, the overbearing daughter. Completing the cast are Marlys Isack, Dennis Lundgren, Jeff Scott, Stuart Fogel, Greg Minter, Ina Margolin and Skelly Green.

Besides acknowledging the Shaw centennial, *Pygmalion* was also selected, stated Student Director Fran Davidson, because it is one of the most producible and likable of Shaw's works and because it fits in with the successful musical adaptation in the form of Broadway's current *My Fair Lady*.

Pygmalion is a play with a period flavor and will be outfitted accordingly in the elegant court style dress of 1900. Women's costumes are characterized by wide skirts, tight bodices, large, ornamental hats and the universal practice of carrying parasols. Men's dress emphasize striped trousers, dress suits and tall-fitting hats.

Mr. Kirschbaum, who is also designing the costumes, pointed out how effectively color can influence the mood of the play. "For instance, when Liza blossoms forth as a lady, she will be costumed in a bright yellow ensemble analogous to the sun bursting forth," said Mr. Kirschbaum. "Dark brown will be used to stress the somber tone in the first part contrasted against a cascade of white and pink costumes in the second part."

Marcia's biggest problem in portraying Liza is to cultivate her cockney accent enough to be realistically effective but not so much that she cannot be understood. "If you don't think it's so hard, you just try to pronounce in correct cockney 'Ah-ah-ah-ow-ow-oo-oo'" she smiled.

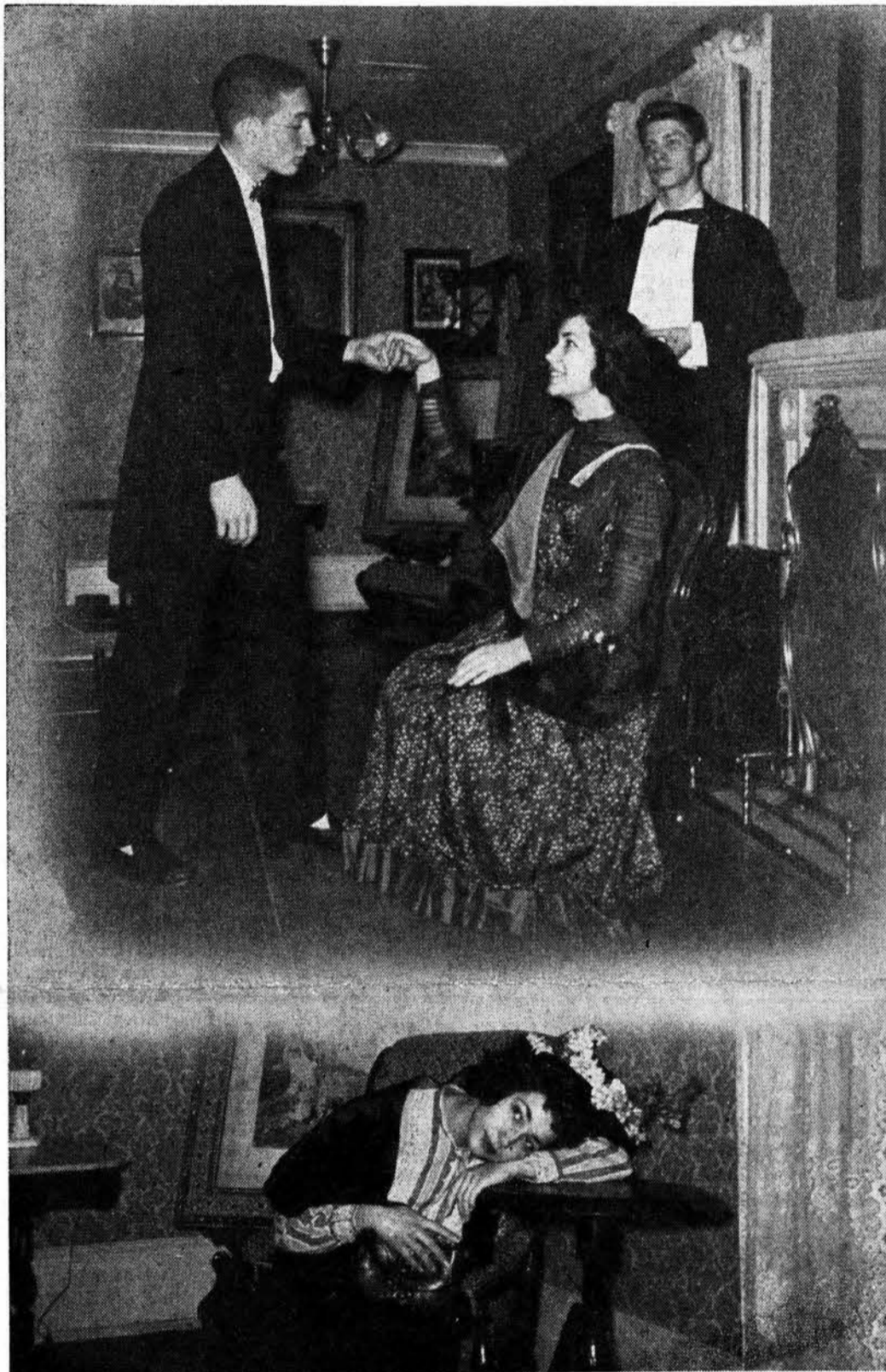


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"Men will throw themselves at your feet!" Liza Doolittle (Marcia Zalkin), a cockney flower-girl, dreams of her emergence as a great lady through the help of a phonetician. Liza extends her dainty hand to Colonel Pickering (Jerry Rosen) while Professor Higgins (Tom Welch) looks on. *Pygmalion*

lion is Bernard Shaw's version of "Cinderella" in modern dress. Marcia's wardrobe will include four costume changes, ranging from the drab flower-girl attire to a dazzling, full-skirted ballroom gown of chiffon trimmed with brilliant ostrich plumes. Costumes will be ready May 6.

37 Senior Students Gain Appointment To National Honor Society at Central

Thirty-seven Central seniors have been appointed to National Honor society, announced Principal J. Arthur Nelson, April 8. The selections were made under the direction of a faculty committee chaired by Principal Nelson.

Members were chosen from the upper one-fourth of the senior class on the basis of scholarship, leadership, service to the school and citizenship. Those appointed are Jane Adams, Dennis Brown, Diane Brown, Bonnie Burnett, Carol Child, Carol Cortelou, Sheron Dailey, Don Dichsen, Roger Dilley, Gary Ecklund, Edith

Farr, Rosemary Faust, Paul Festersen, Laurie Frank, Marvin Freedman and Marty Greene.

Others selected are Bart Hoemann, Carole Johnson, Lawrence Kahn, Howard Kaslow, Ingrid Leder, Carol McVicker, Albert Olson, Laurie Oruch, Elizabeth Richards, Peggy Soucek, Arthur Staubitz, Jess Tagney, Ray Thompson, Gary Tibbetts, Ruth Wardle, Tom Welch, Lyla Wetterling, Del Wilcox, Laurence Zacharia and Marcia Zalkin.

More members of the honor society will be announced later in the year.

Costumes, Wedding, Food to Enliven Central's Latin Club Roman Banquet

An authentic Roman wedding will highlight this year's Roman Banquet, sponsored by Central's Latin club in connection with Latin week April 22-26. This year's banquet will be held April 25 in Central's west cafeteria. Entertainment will include Barbara Brodkey, Judy Fredericksen and Sally Freeman in an authentic Roman dance, and Linda Jelen will be featured in an acrobatic act.

Susan Sittler and Gene Owen are co-chairmen of the banquet. Committee chairmen are Ingrid Leder, program; Sally Freeman, wed-

ding; Stan Greenfield, research; Charlotte Brodkey, publicity; Steve Fisk, banquet; Nancy Lindell, banquet tables; Terry Foster, showcase; Gail Dorsey, posters; Edith Farr, invitations; Marc Samuelson, photographer; Bonnie McNeil, scrapbook.

First-year students will be sold at the slave auction April 22 and will serve at the banquet. Other Latin students will attend the banquet dressed in costumes of Roman citizens.

Latin club sponsor Miss Fem McVicker and Miss Ruth Pilling helped plan the banquet.

Omaha's Jacee Organization to Hold Ak-Sar-Ben Teenage Road-e-o May 12

Omaha's Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored annual Teenage Road-e-o will roll into action May 12 at the Ak-Sar-Ben field parking. Any student under 20 who possesses either a learner's permit or license and has had no moving violations in the past six months is eligible to participate.

An innovation to this year's Road-e-o is the selection of a queen from candidates nominated by each of the Omaha high school Safe-teen groups. Central Safe-teen President Dick Chamberlain announced April 5 that Sally Freeman will be Central's nominee for the 1957 Junior Chamber Teenage Road-e-o queen. Final selection of the queen will be based on the girls' performances in a written test April 12 and the driving test May 12.

The Teenage Road-e-o is performed on three levels of activity: the Community level, with a written test on driving knowledge and a performance test in four obstacle-type exercises; the State level, with the written test, performance test and a road check for in-traffic performance and the National level, with a driving aptitude scale, a psycho-physical examination and a personal interview to supplement the three standard tests.

National winners will receive three scholarships, \$2,000 for first place, \$1,500 for second and \$1,000 for third. Each state winner will get an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D. C., for the final competition.

The Teenage Road-e-o grew out of a Jaycee regional safety conference in St. Paul, Minn., in 1952. Last year 300,000 teenagers participated in the Road-e-o.

Girls Outnumber Boys 159 to 109 on Mid-semester Honor Listing

Two hundred and sixty-six students made the honor roll at mid-term of the second semester. Girls again proved that they are smarter, by outnumbering the boys 159 to 109. Freshmen topped the honor roll with 86 members. Sophomores followed with 71 students. Juniors captured third place with 62 places, while seniors lagged behind with only 49.

Seniors
11
Boys: Lowell Baumer, Marvin Freedman, Howard Kaslow, Laurence Zacharia.
Girls: Carol Cortelou.

Business to Observe Education on May 1

On Education, Business and Industry Day, to be held May 1, a group of business men and women will visit the Omaha Public schools. They will visit the elementary schools in the morning and Central and other high schools in the afternoon.

EBI Day stems from the similar program in the summer when the teachers visit such businesses as General Motors, the World-Herald, packing houses, banks, etc.

The reason for the program is to give both the teachers and business leaders an opportunity to see how the other operates.

10
Boys: Arthur Staubitz, Gary Tibbetts.
Girls: Carol Johnson.
9½
Boys: Paul Festersen.
9
Boys: Marty Greene.
Girls: Bonnie Burnett, Edith Farr, Peggy Johnson.
8
Girls: Penny Buchanan, Harriet Epstein, Ingrid Leder, Laurie Oruch.
7½
Girls: Rosemary Faust, Carol Sue Child.
7½
Boys: Jeff Scott.
Girls: Carolyn Cox, Judith Eaton, Sharon Olson.
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Boys: Tony Gray, Larry Kahn.
Girls: Sherry Dailey, Carol McVicker.

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April	
12-22	Spring vacation
22-26	Latin week
26-27	University Fine Arts festival
May	
1	EBI day ROTC Federal Inspection
9-11	State tennis tournament
10-11	Senior play, <i>Pygmalion</i>

On Hitchhiking
Hitchhiking is a reflection of quality and of integrity. Students who hitchhike risk not only their lives but also the lives of others.
—J. Arthur Nelson

Central's ROTC Regiment Prepares For High School Federal Inspection

Federal inspection for Central's ROTC regiment will take place May 1 at Central. The following day a pass in review will be held at Fort Omaha for all Omaha high school ROTC regiments.

Maj. Albert Freeman, head of the ROTC program in Omaha, and two lieutenant colonels will be the inspecting officers. The officers will check the ordnance rooms, which contain rifles, sabers, a machine gun, a rocket launcher and general supplies.

The teaching methods will also be

observed, with the officers visiting several class sessions.

In each of the past five years Central has received a superior rating on this inspection, entitling Central cadets to wear a red star on their jacket sleeve.

CHS Rates 9 Winnings In Speech Tournament

Central high school students rated seven superiors and two excellent in the Nebraska District Speech tournament held at Central, Saturday, March 30.

Capturing superior awards were Paul Shyken, Interpretive Public Address; Howard Kaslow, Original Public Address; Jim Cobb, Oral Interpretation of Prose Literature; Marvin Freedman, Extemporaneous Speaking; and Jeff Scott, Superior Actor of the Day.

Central high also earned superior ratings for "The Importance of Being Earnest," Oral Reading of Drama; and "The Twelve Pound Look," One Act Play, Class A.

Marvin Freedman and Judy Fischer were awarded excellent ratings for Open Discussion and Poetry Reading, respectively.

9
Boys: Irvin Belzer, Bob Brodkey, Martin Lipp, Richard Speler, Howard Weinberg.
Girls: Barbara Brodkey, Judy Fredericksen, Bonnie McNeil.
8½
Girls: Mona Forsha, Susan Sittler.
8
Girls: Charlotte Brodkey, Judy Ban, Janet Gibson, Mary Catherine Hofschire, Diane Klippel, Joan Marx, Madalyn Miroff, Maureen Zevitz.
7½
Girls: Virginia Anderson, Marilyn Dvorokin, Louise LeDoyt, Carol Marino.
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By Howard Kaslow

Golf Team Guards Title

Eagle golfers step onto the greens of Dodge park in Council Bluffs this afternoon to defend their 1956 Intercity Championship.

Coach Warren Marquiss will count on last year's Intercity and State Champion Bob Epstein, together with his senior clubbing companions Bill Hyde and Bob Julich, to make the inaugural contest a successful one. Some replicas of last year's low scores would almost insure a blue ribbon in the 1957 campaign.

The Purple racket squad, this year to be directed by Esmond Crown, won't bound into their net-work until April 23.

Dewey park courts will accommodate the Intercity tennis teams again this year and will also be the site for the State Tournament. Eagle courtmen, led by seniors Dick Donelson and Keith Stevens, are busy working their four-man battery into a competent crew with Coach Crown leading drill practice.

Many boys have applied for admittance to the squad, so Crown will examine the aspirants in an effort to pick the best of the bunch for varsity action.

Tournament Over; Tennis Play Next

Two teams led the pack in a round robin girls' basketball tournament completed recently. Mary Aberseller's sophomores and Lyla Owen's sophomores and freshmen were victorious in all their games. Leaders in an elimination tournament, begun April 1, are the teams of Jeanette McAllister, Geraldine Gora and Lesly Smith. The tournament will be completed after vacation.

Physical education activity for the spring quarter will center in softball and tennis fundamentals. After-school softball competition will be organized later in the year.

Cheerleading practices were the cause of the resounding noises that have been coming from the gym during the past few weeks. Varsity and sophomore squads for '57-'58 will be announced soon.

Female Athletes Join Springy Racketeers--

by Carol Lind

With the arrival of spring the "weaker" sex of Central high is at last given its chance to show the masterful skills that they also possess muscle, skill, strength and endurance in sports competition. Although the girls can never achieve fame as matmen, courtmen, aquamen or cindermen, they can demonstrate their talent as netwomen.

April marks the beginning of the tennis season for many ambitious, sports-minded girls. This is the only sport that allows competition among girls of different schools. These athletes may even win a letter in tennis if they fulfill the necessary requirements. This is a surprise to many boys who think that only the male sex is athletically inclined.

Two To Return

At the present time Central's racket squad has only two lettermen, and there is a great demand for girl tennis players. Many girls have been practicing regularly in an attempt to develop the skill and experience necessary to form a good team.

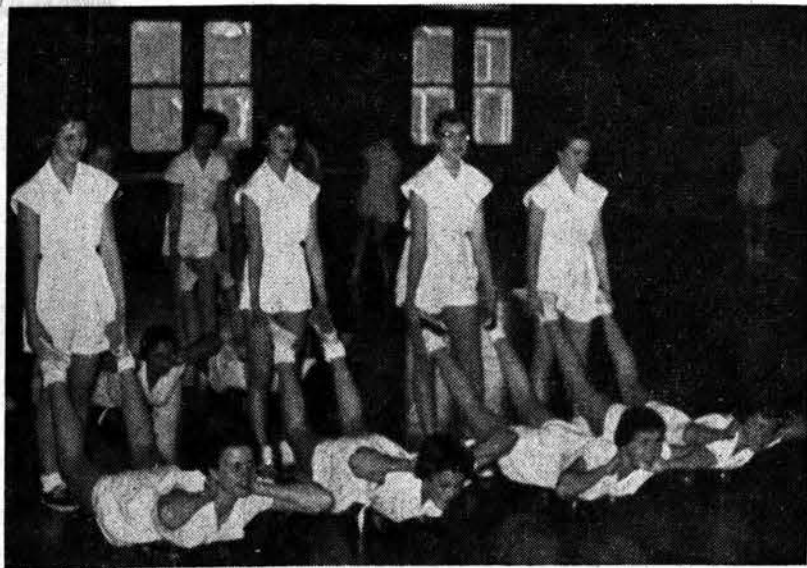
Tennis is a hit and miss game that keeps the player moving constantly. It requires a fast-moving, energetic player who has an eagle eye for following the little white ball around the court. Although many of the girls have these qualifications, it will take them awhile to master the game.

Offers Advantages

Besides the fun of competing with others, tennis offers a girl several advantages. She is among the first of the season to receive a sunburn from natural sources instead of a sunlamp, and she has an excellent opportunity to "play off" some of those unwanted pounds.

On the court she meets many new faces from other schools (including boys) and learns to accept defeat as well as victory. Tennis is the one chance that a girl has to experience the thrill and excitement of Intercity sports participation.

Stand Back, Here We Come!



Girls gym classes use new scooters for fun, exercise.

Instrumentalists Prepare For Spring Performance

Central's instrumental music department will present its spring concert May 17 in the new auditorium.

Unlike former spring concerts, this year's presentation will be given jointly by Central's band and orchestra.

Students of the instrumental music department have started to practice for the festival.

Cortelyou, Olson Receive Summer Scholarships

For the third consecutive year Central will be represented at the Pre-collegiate Science Summer program of the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology in Shrewsbury, Mass.

Carol Cortelyou and Biff Olson, both seniors, were recently awarded scholarships to attend the nine-week science program this summer.

Biff, as a first-year student, will study laboratory techniques used in biochemical research. Carol, who participated in the program last year, will work on a specific research problem in the laboratory of a member of the Worcester Foundation under his guidance.

Students participating in the program are chosen on the basis of recommendations and a 200-word statement by the applicant on his reasons for wanting to attend the school.

Rainy Weather Puts Skids On Spring Sports Work

Baseballers To See First Action Soon

Coach Jim Karabatsos and his diamondmen are preparing themselves for the season's initial encounter with the South High Packers on April 23.

Karabatsos has not had a real opportunity to see his run 'n glove men in action due to poor weather conditions. However, he plans to whittle the squad to twenty men before the season begins.

Weather is not the only obstacle facing the Eagles, as one look at this year's schedule will readily reveal. Central, in its first three games of the season, faces South, North and Creighton Prep, in that order. All three teams are given good chances to grab the title.

Local prep dopesters figure the probable order of finish in the Intercity league will be South, North, Prep, Central, Benson and Tech in that order. Prep and South will offer the league's top pitchers in Steve Scheer and Larry Kozeny, while North will lean on the heavy bats of Ely Churchich and Howard Waterman.

The situation, however, does not in any way discourage Coach "K." In fact, said the veteran mentor, "We shouldn't lose any games before April 23."

Treat's Tennis Crew Now Limbering Up

Tennis hopefuls numbering in the thirties are limbering up in the gym. Miss Treat is planning a tournament which will take place after vacation from which the 1957 team will be chosen.

The Eaglettes' biggest hurdle in Intercity competition will probably be the Benson championship team of 1956 sparked by returning stars Helen Ackerman and Barbara Patton.

Central last won a championship in 1950.

Physical Power Shown By "Muscular" Meehan

Bob Meehan, Central senior student, placed second in both the Mr. Omaha and Mr. Junior Nebraska contests. Sophomore Andre McWilliams also participated in the Mr. Junior Nebraska event.

The contests were part of the annual Physique and Strength show sponsored by the Weight Lifting club of the Omaha YMCA. Proceeds of the show will be used to purchase weight lifting equipment for the Y.

Four judges graded the contestants, giving each up to a maximum of 20 points.

Golf Schedule

April 12 South
April 23 Tee Jay
April 26 Prep
April 29 Abe Lynn
May 3 Tech
May 13 Benson
May 17 North
May 27 Intercity
All matches at Dodge Park, Council Bluffs

Tennis Schedule

April 23 Benson
April 25 South
April 30 Tee Jay
May 2-4 Intercity
May 7 Prep
May 9-11 State tourney
May 14 Abe Lynn
May 16 Tech
May 21 North

Badminton Begins In Andrews' Classes

Gym instructor George Andrews reports that the boys' gym badminton tournament has reached the halfway mark. The first, third and fifth hour classes have completed the fourth round of the seven-round contest. The second and fourth hour classes have finished the first two rounds.

In addition to the "gym scooters" which were recently acquired, shuffle-board triangles have been marked out on the west end of the gym floor to provide more variety in the boys' activities.

Custodians Keep School Ship-Shape

Behind the scenes of Central are the people who keep the building running in top condition, the custodians.

Ten men and seven women custodians make up the custodial staff. The women, whose hours are from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., sweep floors, dust, clean blackboards and erasers and empty pencil sharpeners every night. The men, working from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., fix and clean furniture, clean the premises and keep the building in operating condition.

Aside from the day staff, there is a night staff which consists of a night watchman and two engineers who operate the boiler room.

While students are enjoying spring vacation, the custodians will remain on the job, brushing walls, washing woodwork, repairing desks, scrubbing floors and cleaning the boilers.

John Smelser, who heads the staff, remarked, "Each vacation we scrape over 20 pounds of gum from under desks."

Tracksters' Tests Come Next Week

With but four weeks remaining until the 1957 State track meet and the Eagle flyboys yet to have an important outdoor contest; Coach Frank Smagacz is beginning to wonder if the weather is conspiring with some other school to stymie his bid for a state championship track squad.

Team workouts, for the most part, have been held on Central's version of an indoor track—the third floor corridors—or on a track too muddy to allow top performances. The third floor area, while serving adequately for warm-up activity, has no long stretches on which the speedsters can get up full speed.

Rain Checks Meet

In addition, its boards—a great deal different from the springy dirt and cinder outdoor tracks—are much too conducive to leg and ankle injuries.

Rain, which drenched South high's athletic field, forced the cancellation of an Eagle-Packer dual meet March 2 after only five events had been run.

Even though the pool-studded oval raised the recorded times, the Eagles managed a convincing performance.

Ken Russell copped the 100-yard dash without the benefit of track shoes, while Richard Nared took third. Stuart Lynn evaded the rain drops long enough to win the mile event. Bill Siekman and Gene Owen captured the one-two spots in the quarter-mile dash.

Snares Hurdle Victory

Howard Kaslow's flight over the sticks brought him a victory in the high hurdles, while Frank Jones grabbed third in that event.

Bob Sterling finished second in the 880-yard run and was pushed all the way by Juan McAllister, who placed third.

The tracksters are scheduled to participate in the Dutch White Relays on Monday, April 15. The Tech high tourney had originally been scheduled for April 6, but adverse weather conditions forced a postponement. April 20 is the date for the annual Tee Jay relays in Council Bluffs.

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April 25 North at Fontenelle Park
April 30 Prep at Boyd Park
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