

Two Friars, One Lay Teacher Join St. Bonaventure Faculty

Three new teachers joined the faculty group here this year. Mrs. Mildred Herrod, former Kramer High teacher, and two Franciscans, Father Kenneth Schlessler, O.F.M., replaces Father Conrad Motola, O.F.M., and Father Melchior Toczek, O.F.M., new assistant at St. Anthony Church.

Mrs. Herrod, originally from Fairbury, Nebraska is an A.B. graduate of St. Mary College, Notre Dame, Indiana, and an M.A. graduate of the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. She teaches sophomore, junior and senior English.

"My family is my one big interest in life," was Mrs. Herrod's reply when asked about hobbies.

Father Kenneth teaches fifteen religion classes weekly. He has charge of the Third Order of Saint Francis, the Franciscan Missionary Union, and the Society for Vocations. Nevertheless, he finds time to work with the young people, especially scouts, and to take an interest in amateur photography.

Father Kenneth entered the Franciscan Seminary in Teutopolis in 1933, and was ordained in 1946. After spending four years at St.

Joseph, Omaha, he took up residence at Our Lady of Angels parish in Cleveland, Ohio, and from there came to St. Bonaventure.

Teaching biology and algebra this year is Father Melchior, who entered the seminary at Teutopolis in 1937, and was ordained in 1949. He has had only one assignment before coming to St. Anthony, teaching at Quincy College in Quincy, Illinois.

Since Father's parochial and teaching schedule keeps him busy, no sparetime is at hand for hobbies at present.



Rev. Kenneth Schlessler, O.F.M.

Influences Classmen's Choice Ability to Assume Leadership

Voting at Saint Bonaventure isn't influenced by impossible political promises, long speeches, or the like, only by the students ability to be a true leader. Each class and organization chose the persons most capable to do the task required.

Students Elect Officers

The latest news from the class rooms gives class honors to the following . . .

Senior class:
President—Joan Badstieber
Vice-president—Eugenia Podraza
Sec.-Treasurer—Rose Mary Siemek

Junior class:
President—Paul Langan
Vice-president—Tony Kroenke
Secretary—Maureen Micek
Treasurer—Dolores Shefcyk

Sophomore class:
President—Kathleen Sokol
Vice-president—Kathy Huhman
Sec.-Treasurer—Donald Gablenz

Freshmen class:
President—Jack Odgaard
Vice-president—Margaret Mrzlak
Sec.-Treasurer—Connie Cronin

Y. C. Makes Choice

The cats and chicks, chosen to keep the Y.C. buzzing with activity for all the other fun-lovers . . .

Officers Plan Activities To Make Better Y. C.

St. Bon's Youth Center promises to be better than ever.

The newly elected officers will really get things going and will plan lots of activities.

This year, everyone will have a chance to work and help to plan things. In this way, more kids will spend time there on nights other than when there is a special party.

Probably a few youngsters in school don't even know how the inside of the Youth Center looks. Come and have a look see!

Father Tim makes a wonderful Youth Center director because he takes an interest in all the teenagers, and in what they are doing. He always finds time to talk to everyone that enters this recreational center.

Father Timothy Makes Important Announcement At All Sunday Masses

"Bids for the new junior high school will be opened on October 3 in the Social Hall." These words, spoken by Father Timothy at all Sunday Masses, were music to the ears of faculty and students of St. Bonaventure.

During the past year many different plans for a junior high have been studied and now a dream will become a reality. The new building will extend south and west of the present west wing. It will house a science lab, classrooms, offices, and washrooms. Senior high students will make use of the new building until the plans and building at the Central Catholic High is completed.

'Faith Solves All' States Carl Curtis

"There are many things that are right in our country but there are many problems that free men and free women, if they have faith, can solve."

These words, spoken by Republican Senator Carl Curtis, at a student assembly on Sept. 18 held the listener's attention. Senator Curtis' speech dealt chiefly with the good things of America and the many privileges of living here.

Curtis, as congressman, served on the Immigration Committee of the Congress 18 years ago and thus made it possible for many less fortunate people to become American citizens. Yet, there are still millions who will have this opportunity. This is, as the Senator stated, proof that our country is indeed the land of opportunity.

Senator Curtis believes that three things make our country what it is: our form of government, our economic system, and our spiritual heritage. There are no dictators to tell us what to do or how to do our work. Our economic system makes it possible for any man, with ambition and intelligence, to earn a suitable living. Freedom of religion allows a man to worship as he pleases in the church of his choice.

To preserve this government, each individual must work toward the goal of keeping this government secure. "We have to have courage, and a spirit of self-denial," said the Senator. As students, it is the duty to make use of every opportunity to learn and to increase knowledge of our country.

The senator concluded with this thought, "People of faith and learning must be interested in government in order to make it secure."

Girls Dominate Upper Classes Sophs and Frosh Break Even

Enrollment figures show girls dominate upper classes while sophomore and freshmen groups break almost even. By exact count the girls number 119 and the boys trail along with twelve less.

Children and more children coming to St. Bonaventure necessitated grades seven and eight to move to the high school building. This building now accommodates 329.

Homerooms—Relocated

Freshmen and sophomore homerooms are relocated on the second floor. Freshmen are to be found in the former typing room and the sophomores in the auditorium, which is also used as study hall quarters.

The mighty upper-classmen return to familiar stamping grounds on first floor—seniors in Room 2 juniors in Room 3.

Grades seven and eight occupy the third floor, former quarters of the sophomore and freshmen groups.

New Studies Added

New additions to the curriculum this year are an ambitious Latin III class taught by Sister Edwina and an equally interested group of young drivers taking drivers' training from Mr. Charles Wolever.

Something new added in the music department is a junior band consisting of 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students and also a junior chorus of the same grades. The senior band and chorus are made up to 10th, 11th and 12th grade classes.

Did You Hear . . .

The patter of slow feet answer the fire gong that gave such a weak summons? The electricians will remedy the wrong, and the next time . . .

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Any comments concerning the parade of ivy-legaues? St. Bonaventure's boys wear this style of trousers to school. Many girls copy the mode in skirt and blouse.

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Elvis Presley became vice-president of the senior class—almost! One vote did not put him in office.

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Y'Vonne Mitera presented the well-deserved trophy to Harold Peterson of Schuyler, driver of car No. 22. Y'Vonne reigned as trophy Queen at the Columbus Speedway, Saturday, September 15.

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National Newspaper Week will be observed during the week of October 1-8.

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Present plans indicate October 3, the date for B.E. Day. Students and teachers always enjoy this day.

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Carroll Novicki received a \$4,000 scholarship from The Steel Corporation of Omaha.

Carroll is attending the U. of Nebraska.

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To prepare a nice dinner at home is a task, but to satisfy the innerman of 545 hungry youngsters is a bigger one.

Four women, Mrs. Micek, Mrs. Sebek, Mrs. Scharwath and Mrs. Sokol accomplish this every day at the cafeteria. Three other women, Mrs. Keuter, Mrs. O'Kane and Mrs. Shefcyk help to keep the lines moving, the tables in order, and the dishes clean.

With the cooperation of the students the serving is accomplished in sixty minutes.

Juniors' Vote Decides Latest Style Class Ring

Did you hear the latest? It won't be long 'till you will see a shiny little ring on the juniors' fingers. Yes, it's true. The salesman, with his new line of samples, found a cooperative group and in no time the latest pattern in stock was voted—the ring of the year!

Do you want to know exactly how they look? "Well, they're—ah—" "Oh—kind of—ah—" "Well sort of—ah—" "I know I'm stuttering, but why don't you just wait and see for yourself. They are just indescribable!"

The regular curriculum of subjects and teachers is as follows:

Father Roch—religion, seniors
Father John—religion, juniors
Father Kenneth—religion, sophomores
Father Timothy — religion, freshmen
Father Melchior — Algebra II, biology
Sister Edwina — physics, general science, world history, Latin II and III
Sister Leonella — English, world history
Sister Bernardis — algebra and geometry
Sister Cyril — shorthand, typing, bookkeeping, journalism, secretarial training.
Mrs. Mildred Herrod—English
Mr. Joseph Van Ackerman—band, chorus appreciation
Mr. Robert Costello—craft, mechanical drawing shop, physical education
Mr. Charles Wolever—U. S. history, drivers' training, physical education

Three Lettermen Return To Aid General Morale Of Bob Costello's Team

Three lettermen return to the gridiron this fall under the supervision of Coach Bob Costello along with 20 other boys. Even though weight, numbers, and experience may be lacking, leadership by the three seniors adds much to the general morale of the boys.

However, the team's spirit and determination are excellent, and improvement in playing will come as the season progresses.

Joe Woerth, one of the three lettermen, is the only veteran in the line to hold down the left guard slot. Dennis Shefcyk and Mike Micek, the other two lettermen, will handle lefthalf and fullback respectively.

Shefcyk, former quarterback, now holds the left halfback position. Dennis carries twelve points to his name from last year's season. Mike Micek, the Irish high scorer of last year, with a total of 32 points, becomes team captain.

Probable Starters

Ends:
George Arasmith
Tony Kroenke
Tackles:
Paul Langan
Leo Kosiba
Guards:
Joe Woerth
Carroll Wemhoff
Center:
Don Kaminski
Quarterback:
Pat Tooley
Halfbacks:
Dennis Shefcyk
Allen Kusek
Fullback:
Mike Micek

Enrollment Boasts An All-Time High

St. Bonaventure enrollment this year boasts an all-time high. Many new and friendly faces appear on the grounds each day. Because Uncle Sam called, the senior group is the smallest. Their number was increased to 42 by the coming of: Marietta Liebig, Joan Schaeffer, Rosanne Dvorak, and Rose Marie Kellman, a returnee after a year in Colorado Springs.

Fifty-six is the roll call of the junior class. New additions are: Elaine Blahak, Jane Burzynski, LeRoy Hamling, Clures Hobben-seifken, Mark Liebig, Kathy Shonka and the Smith twins, Janet and Jane.

Seven more sophomores than juniors make that class 63 strong. New comers include: Barbara Bonk, Terrie Sue Cadwallader, Maxine Foltz, Jim Jarecki, Theresa Langan, Norma Liebig, Phyllis Mahoney, Edward Peterson, and Jim Thalken.

In Junior high, the freshman take the lead. This class boasts 65 members. Grade eighth's enrollment numbers 45, and grade seven has a group of 58.



Sweepstakes in Columbus' Fair Parade and Second Place Award at Schuyler's Labor Day Parade were taken by St. Bonaventure float. Mr. William Gregorius and committee planned and completed the float.

To the High School Boys---

Appreciation is the keynote of this article. It comes from the adults who see you frequently.

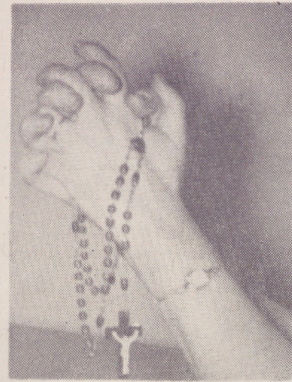
Thanks to you and your parents for the cooperation given in the "Better Grooming" campaign talked about last April, and realized when the school term began in September.

Many favorable comments have been heard about the gentlemanly appearance and good behavior of the St. Bon's boys.

Personal appearance is an important asset in your everyday life now, and this importance will continue when in college, in the Service, and on the job.

Any inconvenience endured at present will pay dividends later.

Sincere thanks
The Parishioners



Beads Hold Attention

Brightly colored beads, red, green, blue, and amber, hold the attention of a little babe, and thus mother can accomplish the daily tasks in the home.

Adolescence finds many admiring and desiring to possess the ropes, snap beads, pearls and all the varied beaded neckwear available.

Even Mom matches bead necklaces with her casual and evening wear.

Mary, our heavenly Mother, has a special love for a certain kind of beads—her rosary. Weave garlands of red, white, and gold beads to adorn your Lady during Rosary Month.

New Roof Prevents Rainy Day Puddles

"No more puddles on rainy days" quoted a senior as she admired the new roof on St. Bonnies.

Mr. Virgil Clark and Mr. Raymond Clark from the Brick Re-Nu Tucker, Pointing, and Water-proofing Company, Central City, Nebraska, have put a new look on the west wing of old St. Bon's. When the electric drills discontinue the staccato beat, the students will know that the building has been completely tuck-pointed, stone-cleaned, and water-proofed. All window and door frames have been caulked. Joints have been cut out three-fourths of an inch and filled flush with masonry cement and roundin. Another item made to look like new is the sanded and polished floors.

Squeaks in the sophomore and freshmen homeroom give way to new formica-top desks. To find the sophomores at home go to the auditorium.

All the Royal typewriters returned to their former room at the east entrance, and the freshmen call the old typing room their homeroom.

New IBM's await electrical outlets. Eyeing these machines are the members of secretarial training and typing classes.

Just as cold water on hot days helps to add pleasure to the pause between classes, a shorter noon intermission adds to a longer line of hungry teenagers going to the cafeteria.

Another contribution for the welfare of the school patrons is the new regulation requiring all cars to remain in the parking lot until after school.

The building remains the same but the improvements add much joy to living therein.

Characters Interest Fun-Loving Student

Oh, what an interesting subject shorthand is. Some of the odd-looking characters in the book look hilarious!

At the first glance in my book I thought: "Here's where I have fun." And it was fun, the first few days anyway! When Sister Cyril gave an assignment of making some of these characters I thought it was a very easy task. After I finished writing it a few times I looked at my paper. It looked as though some chickens with muddy feet had scrambled over it!

But now I really think that shorthand is a worth-while subject. I hope I learn it well and get more out of it than just chicken tracks.

Invitations Will Be Sent By Friend To All Students Of St. Bonaventure High

Party invitations bring anticipation of a good time. A big party invitation will be sent to each student of Saint Bon's, by a special friend. Look for its arrival on September 30.

Yes, you guessed it! An invitation will be given to spend some of your precious time before the Blessed Sacrament during the coming days of the Forty Hours Devotions.

During these days, special services will be conducted by Rev. Raynold Schaff of St. Joseph Church, Omaha.

Dance-Autograph Party Attracts Large Gathering

The "Welcome Freshies Dance" together with the promised Annual Autograph Party, held at the beginning of school, attracted a large crowd of students to the Youth Center.

Everyone enjoyed dancing to music furnished by the ever famous juke box. To break the ice for freshies, the upperclassmen honored them in several dances. Soon everyone was "rippin' it up!"

Many of the students hurried around between dances to get fellow classmates to sign their annuals.

The party ended on a gay note, with everyone anxious to come back again to the Youth Center.

Happy Birthday	
Sept. 4	Joan Badsteiber
5	Delores Shefcyk Robert Stachura
7	Kathy Shonka
8	Gerald Brown
11	JoAnn Bothe Karen Fouts
13	Joe Woerth Esther Shefcyk Billie Jean Coles William Keating Joseph Swalek
15	Kathy Briggs Delores Roebuck
18	Salvin Zoucha
20	Joe Badsteiber
22	Jane Smith Janet Smith
23	Richard Morgan
27	Gary Mohrman
29	Mike Micek
Oct. 1	Patricia Wiedel
2	Maxine Foltz Jim Bator
3	Leo Hanus Margaret Scharwath
4	Janet Sebek
14	Eugene Zywiec
15	Lea Markhofer
16	Louis Euteneuer
17	Dick Podraza Virgil Pilakowski
18	Gerald Haller
19	Duane Blahak Tom Watkins

Alumni Takes Bow

Shorthanded Shamrocks bowed to the alumni 25 to 0 in a rugged workout Saturday, September 15. The heavy load was carried by green hands lead by only three regulars—Joe Woerth, guard, and Dennis Shefcyk and Mike Micek, backs.

Herman Kefer paced the capable grads by scoring three touchdowns, one of them an 80-yard run. John Tooley tallied with the other marker and Ted Mimick kicked an extra point. The tough squad was led by the able quarterbacking of Dave Bowe.

The Irish squadmen learned some valuable lessons in the contest. The bright spot for the varsity was provided by the two veteran backs.

Various Fields Call Graduates of 1956

Various fields of endeavor beckon the graduates of '56'. Many of the class will remain in Columbus.

St. Benedict's, Atchinson, Kansas, will claim Bob Snell, Judy Olivetti will also go to Kansas. Her destination will be Marymount College at Salina. The University of Nebraska will give a scientific education to Carroll Novicki, Allen Pensick, and Jim Laska. Pat Schuele also will be in Lincoln, but at Lincoln Business Institute. Tom Stevens will further his knowledge of business administration at Omaha University. Mariann Shonka will enter Norfolk Junior College.

Three class members, Madge Tank, Joan Minette, and Jackie Michaelen, entered St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Lincoln.

Enlistments in the navy are Leonard Nosal, Jerry Micek, Larry Sleddens, Mark Kobus and Clifford Roddy. The marines lured Floyd Arasmith, Ed Kavanaugh, Don Noonan, Ambrose Placzek and Bob Zoucha.

Those working in Columbus and their place of business are: Marilyn Adams and Barbara Cielocha, Dale Products; Anita Augustine, receptionist for Dr. Abbott; Sharon Hoshor, bookkeeper at George Ewert Company; Pat Tworek, Bluebird; Milo Herink, Saunders Archery Company; Maxine Scheule, secretary at Irrigation Pump Company.

Two graduates are working out of town. Bill Markhofer works for Behlens at Lexington; and Frances Merrill is employed as a long distance telephone operator in Lincoln.

Those helping at home are Lloyd Bartholomew, Lorus Leutkenhaus, Joyce Shaefer, Janet Bures, Ann Schilz, Esther Liss, Bea Euteneuer, Norma Irwin, Joyce Soulliere, Richard Tworek and Frances Valasek. Janet Melcher, now Mrs. Flamme, cares for a home of her own.

New Drinking Founts Replace 'Old Faceful'

"Our 'Old-Faceful' drinking fount has been junked" quotes Elaine Wieser as she takes a cold drink from one of the new, electrically cooled drinking founts.

Father Tim looks on in dismay. "How will that affect the sales on cokes, and profits for the athletic fund?" he asks.

Time alone will answer that question. It depends on what teenagers consider a cold drink and a refreshing drink.

Will cold water or coke be the "Pause that refreshes?"

Gradly Wedding Bells Ring

Marilyn Johnson '53—Bernard F. Roche
Joan DeLarme '54—Joseph W. Timms
Patricia Wozny '54—Jerome Gabriel
Rosalie Burzynski '54—Donald Begley
Paul Gutzmer '50—Claudia Lange
Janet Melcher '56—Fritz Flamme
Donna Jarecki '54—Jon Robb '53

Freshies Cite First Impressions

Virginia Hembd—St. Bon's High is fun and exciting. Moving from room to room gives time to relax.

Pat Gregorius—The first day was a thrilling adventure. I discovered St. Bon's is made up of good friendly kids. The teachers are nice, and always willing to help us freshies.

Lois Gablenz—I enjoy being able to go to the Y.C.

Rosemary Costello—With only four subjects I thought I would be free as a bird, but do my lessons ever keep me on the run!

Jim Bator—I think the Youth Center is a credit to St. Bon's. You can have fun because everyone is so cheerful.

Janet Hilger—We've returned to the old, familiar building where we spent our first three years.

David Kampovitz—I was impressed by the conduct of the students. The schedule must have taken much time and skill to plan. Everything runs so smoothly.

Pat Keating — You know, high school isn't so bad after all.

Melba Koci—It seems so different going to such an old relic after our last few years in the beautiful new grade school.

Marlene German—My teachers and classmates are so friendly.

Bill McAnuliff—The upper classmen have been swell to us so far.

Rogers Motor Co. Gives Car For Drivers' Course

Isn't it swell? That beautiful '56 Ford that Rogers Co. so generously gave St. Bon's for the Drivers' Education class! Mr. Charles Wolever, the teacher, is equipped with a clutch and a break on his side in case of an emergency. So far there have been no real close calls.

Those poor gears! The students have a lot of fun learning the "right way to drive." The class of fourteen consists mostly of girls! Some day soon, people won't be saying: "Those crazy women drivers." It might be the other way around!

Do You Belong To . . .

- The ganders who litter corridors . . .
- The guzzlers who spill on cafeteria tables . . .
- The grouchers who find fault with student leaders . . .
- The growlers who can't be loyal to the team . . .
- The grumblers who know teachers are agin' 'em . . .
- The Sad Sacks who always have a gripe . . .

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QUEEN MARIAN . . .

Elaine Boettcher Steps Into Coveted Annual Editor's Chair

Elaine Boettcher steps into the coveted editor's chair of the 1957 BONA VENTURE. Elaine has been an all-around good student since her freshman year and has taken part in many extra-curricular activities. Taking precedence among them are band, cheerleading, and Student Council. From reporter in the freshman year to one of the editors in the senior year, briefly explains Elaine's work on the school paper. Last year's Press Convention at Lincoln, found Elaine with the group attending, and this year will find her there again.

Wiedel—Mick Share Honors
Sharing the honors, the work, and the fun of putting out an Annual, are Patricia Wiedel, elected assistant-editor, and Mike Mick business manager. Senior class votes gave these worthy students the desired positions.

Co-workers Help Leaders
Helping the three top notchers this year is an industrious group of co-work. The staff includes: Dennis Shefcyk—sports editor; Kathleen Briggs, Virginia Mimick,

Faculty—Students Enjoy Senior Class Convocation

A welcome "break" in the daily school routine occurred for the faculty and student body at the convocation given by the senior class. Margaret Mielak spoke of her experiences at Girl's State this summer. The Four Clovers wittingly sang about a typical day that could occur in the life of any normal teenager.

The presentation left a smile on the faces of everyone and lightened the hearts of the students of Saint Bon's High.

Lou Daly Spurs Drive By 'Mystery Home' Tale

Lou Daly, Curtis Publishing Company representative, caught the attention of the student body by telling them of twelve mystery homes. "In each of these home a prize will be given to anyone who tries to sell a magazine subscription there," said Mr. Daly.

To add zest to the undertaking, decorative signs bedeck class-room bulletin boards, and other eye-catching places in the corridors.

Most of the upper classmen have rocks or lead in footwear, or money might be scarce in the homes where push-button action brought no reward. To date, a display of the mystery home prize won in awaiting a first showing.

Leona Paprocki, and Elaine Weiser—copy readers; Ted Pfeifer—photographer; Darlene Bollig, Joan Badstieber, and Corrine Sebek—typists; Marian Skorupa and Joe Woerth—circulation managers. Sister Leonella will sponsor this year's annual.

Staff Plans First Copy
The editor, assistant-editor, and business manager meet regularly with Sister Leonella to get the first copy ready for the deadline. This will include the cover, theme, and dedication. Pictures, lay-outs, and cut-lines will be coming up next to require burning more of the midnight oil.

Democracy Contest To Take Attention Of Juniors-Seniors

Soon the contest theme, "I Speak For Democracy," will be uppermost in the minds of juniors and seniors. This yearly contest brings students of Kramer High and St. Bonaventure High in keen competition. Each school tries with might and main to take first honors. And if that cannot be achieved second and third places give recompense.

This activity affords students a good opportunity to learn more about and to better understand the United States Government. This knowledge, in turn, brings about a fuller realization of the many blessings American citizens enjoy in having the freedom and rights under this form of government.

Officers Discuss New Regulations

Youth Center officers met to discuss new regulations governing members. Some important points stressed.

Anyone wishing to belong to the Youth Center must purchase a season ticket, to be presented at the door on all occasions except special parties and after games.

Members must conduct themselves properly at all times or be asked to leave.

Tuesdays and Fridays for the high school only from 7:30-10:15. Sunday and Wednesday evenings the seventh and eighth grade students will have access to the centers facilities from 7:00-9:00. However, these two grades will not be permitted on the premises after-games.

Senator Hruska Speaks To St. Bonnie Students On Tuesday, October 2

Republican junior senator, Roman Hruska, spoke to the student body of Saint Bonaventure High on Tuesday, October 2.

Senator Hruska's speech, a rather informal one, stressed the need of an education to improve the way of living. The senator called this a day and age of magic in which the marvelous means of communication, such as the airplane, telephone, and television bring all peoples closer together; an age in which the atom plays an important part in everyone's life.

Impressing upon the minds of the students, the idea of how much the nation depends on them, Senator Hruska, concluded the speech by stating how fortunate to have in high school a spiritual, social, and sports program that is so complete and entire.

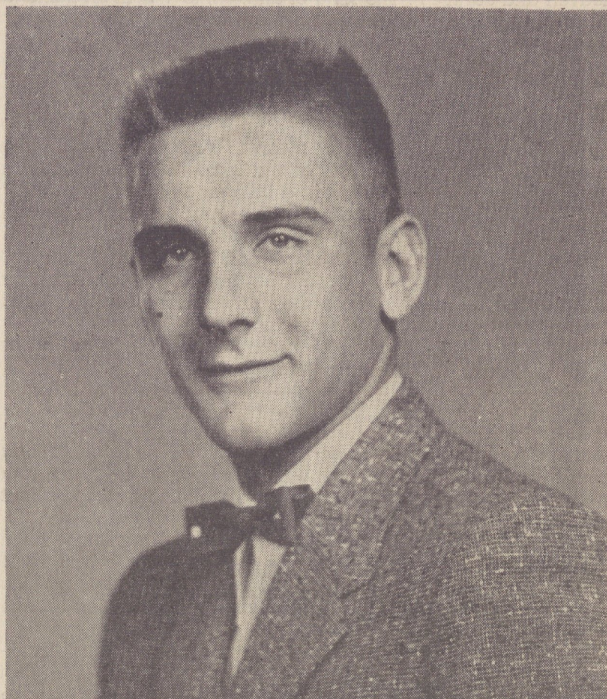
Sodality Moderator Launches Activities For Coming Year

With Moderator, Sister M. Gerard, busy at the helm, the Mystical Rose Sodality launched the year's activities without delay.

Prefect, Ted Pfeifer, gave the sodalists the first project of the year—the sale of Christmas cards and wrap. Proceeds of this drive will be used to purchase a Sodality banner, membership certificates, medals, books, and incidentals necessary for the proper functioning and organization of the Sodality. Simultaneously, a spiritual bouquet for the Holy Father's Christmas gift began. Each class also pledged itself to receive Holy Communion, in a body, on two chosen days each week.

One hundred and sixty-one sodalists officially became members of the Mystical Rose Sodality on October 25. This ceremony began with the singing of the Veni Creator, conference by Father Roch; followed by the blessing of the new medals and reception of candidates. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the singing of the Te Deum concluded the investiture.

Unit leaders assist the senior staff officers in the persons of Leona Paprocki, senior; Pat Tooly, junior; Betty Markytan, sophomore; Don DeLarme, freshman; Robert Storz, grade eight; and Tom Frazer, grade seven.



KING DENNIS . . .

Queen Marian and King Dennis Reign Over 1956 Homecoming

"Marian Skorupa and Dennis Shefcyk reign as Homecoming Queen and King" boomed over the loud speaker at half time of the Hastings, St. Cecilia-St. Bonaventure game. Other royalty claimants, Margaret Mielak, Mike Mick, Elaine Boettcher, and Joe Woerth helped the royal couple.

Three convertibles, decked for the occasion, brought the candidates on the field, King Dennis accepted the scepter from Milo Herink, substituting for Bob Zoucha, last year's king. Ann Schilz, last year's queen, gave Dennis the royal robe and crown to bestow upon Queen Marian.

Band Performs
To add pomp, the St. Bonaventure Band under the direction of Joseph J. VanAckeren gave two drills to the music of "Bells Up" and "Hesitation Strut."

Festivities Continue
After the game, festivities continued at the social hall, The Grand March led by the attendants and followed by the royal couple began about 10:30 P. M. A solo dance, "Ain't She Sweet," took the King and Queen on the floor. Soon the attendants joined in and finally the entire student body caught the

rhythm of El Mills orchestral strains.

Refreshments, provided by the pep club, gave respite between dances.

Fun Stops
Homecoming fun came to a happy close for some near the midnight hour. Senior girls prolonged the affair with a slumber party at Virginia Mimick's home.

Seniors Anticipate Press Convention

Right now, six seniors plan to attend an exciting and educational day at the Silver Anniversary Newspaper Convention in Lincoln. The convention will last two full days, but due to the crowded schedule here at school the participants only will take in the first day's agenda.

Girls Will Enter Contests
To get into the spirit of the day, the girls attending will take part in special contests: Joan Badstieber, newspaper layouts; Pat Wiedel, journalistic terms; Elaine Boettcher, news writing; Y'Vonne Mitera, editorial writing; Nancy Beck, copy reading and headlines; Elaine Wieser, feature articles.

Opening Convocation Will Attract
Participation in the contests will still allow the girls time for the opening convocation; panel discussions, advisor's workshop, and short courses in featured subjects, the main attractions of the convention.

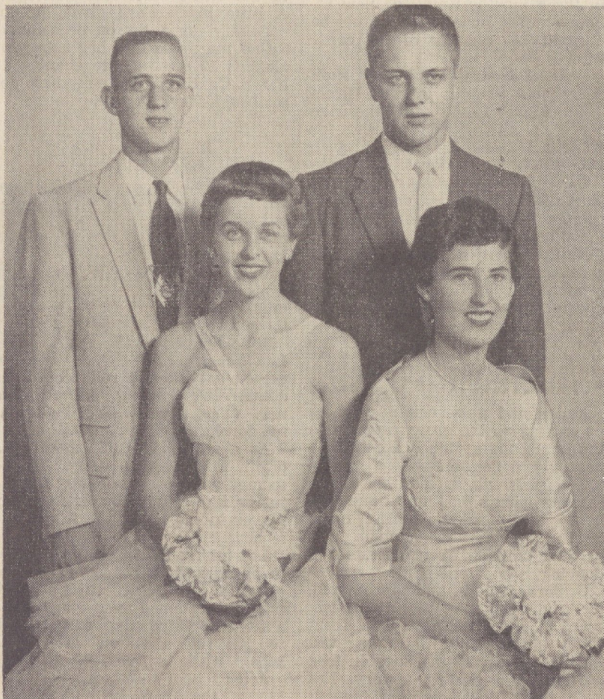
Social Side Offers Variety
The social side of the convention offers a variety of entertainment. An adviser's luncheon Friday noon will take up the important business matters of the Association. The convention banquet Friday night will feature a talented speaker, the presentation of new awards and souvenirs for all. Best of all, the PI party, a gala, colorful soiree, including dancing to a "live" combo, variety show numbers, and games will end a great day in a grand fashion.

Books Satisfy Whims

Seventy new books should be enough to satisfy the whims and fancies of any bookworm.

Browse around a bit. And in looking about, take note of the books donated by the library's benefactor, Mr. Louis Rambour.

Another worth-while addition, a 15-volume set of Compton's Encyclopedia, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller, offers many pages of information.



AND ROYAL COURT . . .

Hymn Will Resound

"Glory, Hosanna, to Christ the King . . ." begins the familiar hymn that will resound on the Feast of Christ the King. Glory—a word designating triumph, honor, admiration, renown; an exclamation expressing delight, surprise, radiant beauty, joy, resplendence.

Hosanna—jubilant acclamation of adoration and praise to Jesus, the Saviour.

These words comprise a little offering of love to Christ the King . . . To Christ the Anointed One . . . To Jesus, the King of heaven and earth . . . The King of all men, to Whom all homage is due. The King Who desires to reign over the heart of every man.

Glory, Hosanna, to Christ my King!

Do You Await Free Day?

What does All Saints Day mean to you? Perhaps nothing more than getting up early to attend Mass in order to have a long, free day. If so, how about a little thought on the subject? All Saints Day observance commemorates all the known and unknown saints. You say you know all this. But wait. How long do you remember it? Only as long as you're in church? Has it ever occurred to you that these friends of God pray for you day after day. Since they do this for you, why can't you take off one day a year to thank them? November first will soon be here. Keep this in mind. What does All Saints Day mean to me?

Hunting Allures

At this time of the year, because duck and pheasant hunting allure young and old alike, the wide-open spaces call boys from study. Hookey playing may become a well-known word about school.

It takes a lot of will power to keep from playing truant when this picture appears on the mind's eye—a quiet, peaceful place in a blind with about a hundred mallards coming in low and the reward at the end of the day a nice bag of good eating to take home instead of a load of books.

Every duck hunter should feel better however, if the weekend could be awaited with patience. The hunting spree then could be enjoyed to the full, without the fear of having to make up time upon return to class on Monday. Those excuses—"John had a severe cold" don't always ring true.

Teachers Try to Create Study Hall Atmosphere

In a study hall, teachers try to create an atmosphere of study. This is sometimes rather difficult, students admit, but there is sometimes an unseen, unknown and unsung element of study—namely rubber bands, spit balls, paper clips, etc.

What better example of inertia than a spit ball flying through the air propelled by a rubber band. For biology students, it takes perfect co-ordination of the biceps to land a paper wad down Johnny's shirt. The staccato beat of a pencil on a desk may be a prospective telegraph operator practicing the Morse Code. The book dropped on the floor is merely someone proving Newton's Law of Gravity. And if someone is day dreaming, don't judge too harshly. Just think, Columbus might never have discovered America had it not been for dreaming.

Yes indeed, there are many benefits to be derived from an ordinary study hall and all this without opening a book. Whether something would be learned or not is the question but it would be fun to try.

P. S. Teachers are not expected to believe this.

Bonnies Agenda Check the Calendar

Oct. 11-12—Interdiocesan Teacher's Convention, Omaha

12—St. Mary, David City, here

12—Ground Clearing Began for Junior High Building

15—Site for New School Staked and First Shovel of Dirt Turned

15—Youth Center Meeting

15—Grand Island, Central Catholic, here

19—Pius X, Lincoln, here

22—Youth Center Meeting

24—Mock United Nations

25—Holy Name, Omaha, there

25-26—State Teachers' Convention, Omaha, Norfolk, and Lincoln

Nov. 1—All Saints Day

2—All Souls Day

Dear Sponsor

Enclosed is one hard-earned dollar. I was told this is the price for a year's subscription to the VENTURE. If it's more, please let me know. Although it's self-evident that the students you have now, will never reach the heights our class did, it would be interesting to be informed of their meager attainments.

Seriously, under your capable direction, I do expect the journalism class to put out a good newspaper, and I'd like to be a subscriber.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Carroll Novicki

Thank you, Carroll. But don't judge the present journalists too soon! Did you note they surprised the student body by getting an EXTRA edition to press during the first two weeks of school?

The Sponsor

Noise Gives Assurance

Tractors uprooting trees, tearing up sidewalks and in general making hubbub on the south side of the present building gives the assurance that another building project is underway.

Contracts amounting to \$97,181, 3,000 less than the original estimate, started the wheels rolling. In three months time, the new St. Bonaventure Junior High should be a reality — another dream come true.

General contractor, Walter Roth & Son bid \$65,000; Rector, Hirshbrunner, and Hanke will take care of the plumbing and heating for \$23,695; Hoessel Electric will provide bright lights for \$8,486.

The one story structure, 155 feet long and about 70 feet deep will be constructed of buff brick to match the other buildings.

By this addition, five classrooms, a science lab, men's faculty room, women's faculty room, utility room, and restroom facilities will be provided.

Attention Folks!

Fellas and gals, can anyone be as excited as the green freshies as the homecoming dance approaches nearer and nearer?

The girls, all in a dither about that evening's costume, and the boys, the more thoughtful ones, betting on the games outcome rather than thinking about costume or dancing.

Seniors, juniors, and sophomores, don't get the idea that the freshmen girls don't care a rap about the game. Oh, no! This gang will be there cheering the boys on to a glorious and shining victory. But . . . the dance . . . that thought thrills . . .

America Rediscovered Columbus

As the fall winds blew, the early morning sun arose upon a 300 acre village made up mostly of corn fields. Along with this there was a special airfield built and equipped with lights for take-offs or landings at night. This village also had a 212 acre parking lot and the largest display of machinery in the world.

Public Power Strings Wires
Consumers Public Power District spent a week setting poles, stringing wires and bringing in transformers to hook up juice for motors on exhibition, including electrical powered irrigation systems, and for lighting.

This village had many facilities that "real" cities wish to have: excellent firefighters and equipment, a telephone system police and traffic control organization, radio and television networks and news-reporters.

Two-Day Population Grows
This now-you-see-it, now-you-don't community population in two days grew to be over 75,000 people. Its first honorary citizens were Vice-President Richard Nixon, Governor Anderson, Senator Hruska, Senator Curtis, and Senator Estes Kefauver, the democratic candidate for Vice-President of the

Editors Draw Month to Edit Venture Issue

Slips of paper bearing the months of the year gave each editor the opportunity to choose, without looking, His Edition for the Year.

Another batch of slips with co-editors' names offered a second choice for Partner of the Year.

Drawing results placed the following as editor-in-chief and co-editor for each issue.

October—Pat Wiedel; Mary Kay Wozny.

November—Elaine Wieser; Billy Jean Coles.

December — Elaine Boettcher; Delores Shefcyk.

February — Mike Micek; Dick Sansoni.

March — Joan Badstieber; Judie Bator.

April — Nancy Beck; Geraldine Cockson.

May — Y'vonne Mitera; Tony Kroenke.

A January Extra will surprise everyone if all the editors can overcome the Christmas inertia.

Bonnie Tells Tales . . .

Kathy Briggs
Dressed as Elvis Presley and winner of that contest, Kathleen Briggs really goes to town when it comes to stunting.



Being a normal teenager, this five feet and four inches of height, curly brown hair, and pleasing voice is often found singing gayly with the "Four Clovers," Clarinet playing in the band adds to the extra curricular activities. A little black Ford gives an opportunity for a lift on occasion.

One may also find her asleep in English 12 after a late evening at the Y. C. Happy go-lucky best describes Kathy.

Billie Jean Coles Lea Markhofer

Two juniors, not too quiet, but a n y w a y much interested in and busy with all school work g i v e s a quick survey of these two girls.



Billie Jean and Lea each received a rock and roll record for outstanding dancing in that manner. (Yes, it was tiring, but great fun anyway!)

As a musician, Billie Jean likes organ and piano playing. In the former, she is accompanist for the junior high High Masses. As sax player in the band, the first chair is hers.

Lea makes music on the clarinet in band, and in glee sings second soprano. Dancing, at present, takes precedence over other extra activities. Modeling school will receive full attention after high school work is finished.

After school hours, one may find Lea at the Y. C. helping prepare for the next evening's entertain-

United States.

Human Life Disappears
This was the site of "The National Corn Picking Contest" and the 48 hour life span of the village a couple of days ago. Today, no human life appears; there is only dirt, a trampled alfalfa field, and a few papers that the wayward wind did not blow into the ditches. The once famous cornfields are ripped and ragged, bereft of the big ears of corn, lying dead in the field.

Anyway, on October 12, 1956, America rediscovered Columbus.

'Smile A Bit, Please' Will Be Heard Soon

"A little to the left . . ." "A bit more to the right . . ." "Now smile." "No, not that much, just a little smile." "Hold it! Ah! Got it!"

These words, and many more similar ones, will be heard all day long by the pupils of St. Bonaventure's high very soon. Yes, once again, picture taking will be the order of the day. Annual time means picture time.

After the fuss has been made, patience will be practiced until the proofs come. Then the old laments will be heard: "That doesn't look like me." "My, what a funny, crooked grin." "Do I look that mean all the time?" "Why didn't someone tell me my lipstick was such a mess."

Then peace and quiet will again descend upon all classes and normal, every day living will reign until picture time a year hence.

Building Log

Sept. 23—Father Timothy announces new building project at all Masses.

Oct. 3—Contracts let for \$97,181

3—Man with Geiger Counter goes over grounds

11—Trees uprooted and hauled away

12—More trees and shrubbery uprooted

13—Site cleared of all debris

14—Sunday; day of rest

15—Site staked. First ground turned. Much more turned during the day.

17—West side porch and walks demolished and hauled away.

18—Some workmen join the "Bonnie Breakfast Club"

19—Foundation trenches getting deeper and deeper

20—Mapping work for the coming week

21—Sunday; day of rest.

(To be continued in November issue)

Boys Like to Hunt

What young, ambitious boy doesn't like to hunt? Only one lacking the power to dream dreams of getting the biggest haul—the limit; of being unable to enjoy the many-colored leaves, the scent of ripening grain and fruit, the coolness of a swiftly running stream or placid lake.

Nothing can prove more refreshing than a jaunt with a friend or two and a trusty gun.

Duck season, now in full swing, offers a good chance to try out the old shotgun again. It might give a good kick, but what of it?

Another bang might be acquired by dodging the game warden, that is, if the billfold does not contain a hunting license.

No matter what, hunting always provides lot of fun even if the good shot fails to bring a return other than wet feet, an aching back, and a bunch of sore muscles.

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Shamrock Shenanigans

Attention Senior Girl Scouts: If you are missing any articles which you took on your trip to the Ozarks, look in the school garage. While decorating the floats we found many valuable items such as, 1 pair of broken sun glasses, about 10 bent hangers, a pair of dirty, torn up white tennis shoes, size 12, and one-half eaten orange.

Have you any need of photographic services? If so, please see Pat Wiedel. If you wish to see her in action, be out at the Ranch House some night.

While discussing the senior floats, a conversation like this went on.

Sister R, just coming into the room looked disgustedly at the black board and said; "Surely you're not going to use "You ain't nothing but a hounddog" as a theme for your float!"

Seniors: "Sister, it's a popular song and the kids will understand it."

Sister R: "But how will that look with girls in formals?"

Seniors: "Oh Sister, that isn't for the Queen's float, it's for our class float."

Advice to football players: While practicing please avoid falling into holes. It doesn't feel so good, right Jim?

Congratulations to the Kramer High Band for rating a Superior at Ak-Sar-Ben. Nice work kids!

Orchids to 56-57 junior and senior varsity cheerleaders. New yells, new actions add vim to the cheering section.

Mr. Wolever, in reply to a wise answer by M. P. "If your brains were dynamite, you couldn't blow your nose." Wonder who M. P. is!

Mrs. Herrod passing out the new senior English books which arrived shortly after school started: "Well now, I guess you'd better think up a new excuse for having your English assignment."

After Sister Edwina had explained a particularly difficult physics problem, the senior girls bombarded her with many confusing questions.

Several minutes and many questions later Sister asked Mike M. if all was clear to him. Mike replied, "Now I know less then when I came in."

Replied Delores R. with a snicker, "Impossible!"

Our little freshies aren't so green after all. They have almost perfect attendance at the Y. C. Keep up the good work.

Father Melchior in Algebra II explaining a principle of the atomic bomb: "This reminds me of a book I had that all the college boys wanted to read. It was entitled Bikini. They lost interest when they found it was about the atomic bomb explosions at Bikini!"

Mr. Van Ackerman: "What is all that racket going on in the drum section David?"

David A. "Well, you said you didn't want any talking so I was whispering."

Mrs. Herrod's definition of the senior homeroom — "Lullaby Land". (Must be the restful atmosphere she mentioned).

Father Melchior: "My prof once told me, you think one thing, know another could be the answer, write still a third thing, and the fourth is correct."

"This is the best watermelon I've tasted." "Did you ever taste anything so good?" Such were the remarks coming from the football players after practice on Oct. 2. Hope you enjoyed the watermelon feed, boys!

Who needs a lesson on the proper way to read comic strips? Modern problems group advises—read them across, not down. That-a-way they make more sens.

Mr. Wolever to a certain junior girl, "Did you go to the Teen-age Hop last night?"
Girl: "Yes!"
Mr. W. "Where was the dance held."
Girl: "On the floor."



Ah, If I Could Vote For . . .

Ike, because so far he has proved to be a very sensible and efficient president — **Mary Ellen Minette.**

Ike, because he seems to know how to run the government, and has so far kept us out of war—**Helen Ann Galley.**

Ike, because with the world at a crisis, as it is now, it is better to have a man in office who knows what is going on—**Pat Tooley.**

Ike, because he has more knowledge of world affairs as they now stand—**Virgil Pilakowski.**

Ike, because at the present time, there is much trouble with Russia and I don't think it would be wise to have a man in office who is not familiar with the present state of affairs—**Terrie Cadwallader.**

Ike, because I like the platform of the Republican Party, and I think he is capable of leading our country for another four years—**Marietta Liebig.**

Ike, because I think he is the only man who can possibly keep peace in the world at this crucial

moment—**Salvin Zoucha.**

Ike, because I believe he is more capable and tactful in handling our problems here and abroad—**Elaine Boettcher.**

Ike, because I think our country has prospered more through his leadership than it has ever done before—**Marian Skorupa.**

An Accident Did It

One day, as my meandering took me down the street, I noticed an old, grey-haired man looking under the hood of his car. As he was thus engaged, another figure attracted my attention. A still older person, a woman, sat in the car.

Their helplessness aroused my sympathy. Upon questioning, the old man replied: "Old Jenny ain't what she used to be."

As I walked around to the end of the car, a strong odor of gas made me stop. Then the trouble was spotted. The old man had lost the cap to the gas tank and the motor wasn't getting any gas.

From a nearby home, the gas station was called and in a short time the old couple's troubles came to an end.

Since that happening, it has been my ambition to become a mechanic.

Big Run On!

A big run is now on! This big run for the presidency and vice-presidency of the United States now in full swing will tell a tale of victory and defeat come the November elections.

Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard Nixon hold the attention of the Republicans. On the other hand, the Democrats keep watchful eyes on Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver.

This year's campaign promises a hot struggle for both political parties. Both sides feel victory to be certain because of the many good, solid planks offered, and the weak spots made known in the opposite party's platform.

As high school students, the opportunity to vote is lacking, but the ability to acquire knowledge along these lines cannot be measured. Older people sometimes forget the importance of casting a vote. High school students can help keep this idea uppermost in the minds of the voting group.

Boys Pull Dilly

Several weeks ago some of the freshmen boys really thought a dilly had been pulled. It is known that the papers lying about on the school grounds give the school yard a disorderly appearance.

In an effort to solve this problem the teachers appointed the seventh grade to clean up the papers.

Everything was going fine until one noon several weeks ago. The seventh graders were picking up papers, and as fast as the papers were picked up the freshmen boys threw more about.

The culprits were caught, and if any more papers are found on the school premises the guilty ones will be made "official after school trash collectors."

Ike, because the formers have the soil bank from which the farmers get money for practically nothing—**Leo Kosiba.**

Ike, because of course, I think he is the better man. I also think he has done a good deal of good for our country. The main thing in his favor is that he has kept peace and for that reason alone, I like Ike!—**Margaret Mielak.**

Adlai, because he will help the farmers—**Dwayne Johnson.**

Adlai, because I like his ideas on the important problems of the world today. He also has had much more and wider political experiences than has "Ike." We don't need a purely military government. We need a good one and Adlai will give it—**Darlene Bollig.**

Stevenson, because I think small businesses would have a better chance under his administration—**Kathy Shonka.**

Adlai, because he represents the Democratic Party. While I do not favor him as a person, the Democrats offer a better program all

around, especially to the farmers and the schools—**Kathleen Briggs.**

Adlai, because he is younger and more physically fit than is Eisenhower—**Janet Markytan.**

Adlai, because he has good democratic ideas by which he could better this country and help the small businesses and farmers—**Leona Paprocki.**

Adlai Stevenson, because after listening to both the Democratic and Republican convention speeches, I decided that the Democrats have better principles which I would want my government run on and based upon. They seemed to be good and sound ideas—**Darlene Wemhoff.**

Adlai, because the Democratic Party is for the common people and the small businesses; while the Republicans favor big business to an extreme. I belong to the common people—**Virginia Mimick.**

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St. Mary Retains Place In Sun Bonnies Lose Exciting Game

St. Mary, David City, keeps place in sun after overcoming the Shamrocks 19-12 in an exciting well-played game.

The visitors made several long-gaining plays mostly through the air while the home team kept with short gains on the ground.

Bon's Lose Ball

St. Mary's took the ball on their 40 after the St. Bonaventure kick-off went out of bounds. After two plays they were on the Irish 18 when a pass-lateral from Max Coufal, Wayne Smith and Ken Dill clicked. Tom Peters, a star half-back covered those yards in two plays. His kick was blocked.

Tooley Recovers Fumble

Midway of the opening quarter, the Shamrocks marched 47 yards after Pat Tooley recovered a St. Mary fumble. Mike Micek, Shamrock offensive standout, and Allen Kusek plowed out three first downs, and Dennis Shefcyk's pass to Tony Kroenke put the ball down on the David City one yard line. Mike

Junior Gridders Fall Before Schuyler's Big Freshmen Players

St. Bonaventure junior high gridders fell before Schuyler's "giant" freshmen in a well-played game at Schuyler 24-6. The young Irish used seventh, eighth, and ninth graders whereas Schuyler used an all freshmen unit. They stayed within 6-12 until the closing minutes of the game when Schuyler, led by Sobota, cashed in on two more touchdowns.

Ron Kudron tallied for the Shamrocks and ran very good the entire night. Others who stood out on offense were Staroscik, Gumm, Bator, and Murphy. Those who looked good on defense were Huhman, Shonka, Tyle, Odgaard, Michaelson, and Micek.

Twenty-six to nothing spelled defeat again for the Junior Hi team. St. Mary's, Grand Island took home the spoils of the game at Pawnee Park.

Sister Edwina to Head Science Club

A science club under the supervision of Sister Edwina, is being organized in the junior and senior physics classes. To know the very latest about the atom, nuclear physics, speed tests, and all phases of science is the aim of the club. Regular meetings held during the physics class period will accomplish the goal set.

Alfred Hanus heads the science-minded group in the senior class; Elaine Boettcher is the vice-president and Nancy Beck, secretary. The job of planning the experiments, reports and discussions will be Ralph Hadcock's program chairman.

Because each class will hold separate meetings it was necessary to elect officers for each grade. The juniors have chosen Dick Sansoni as president, Don Kaminski, vice-president and Kathy Shonka as secretary. Tony Kroenke fills the post of program chairman.

plunged across. No extra point made.

Micek Makes Plunge

In the second quarter the Irish went ahead on a 48 yard drive. Power running by Micek and a 13 yard gallop by Shefcyk hastily had the pigskin on the four when Micek plunged across. Shefcyk's boot was low.

Reisdorf Hits Paydirt

Three minutes later, the Shamrocks were deep in their territory. A bad pass from center caused Shefcyk to be "smeared" on the Bonnies nine. In the second play of the series, Coufal went over from the eight on a keeper play.

A pass from Peters to Gene Reisdorf was good for the extra point giving St. Mary's a 13-12 advantage.

During the waning seconds of the half, Wayne Smith intercepted a pass and went 47 yards untouched. The Shamrocks started marching from their 15, in the third quarter, but the drive died on the St. Mary's 35 the first play of the closing canto.

Pass-Lateral Play Fails

The visitors repeated their pass-lateral play, which set them upon the Bonnie's 20. Later Dill went across but the score was called back by a penalty. This time the Irish defense stiffened and held the invaders on the two.

The Shamrocks started another drive which fizzled on the St. Mary's 33 after two pass plays failed.

Ten Girls Will Become Communistic Minded

Attention all FBI personnel! Ten girls turn to the Communist way of thinking. This change will take place when Y'Vonne Mitera, Elaine Boettcher, Darlene Wemhoff, Marietta Liebig, Kathleen Briggs, Judy Bator, Katherine Kurtenbach, Mary Jo Dush, Mary Ellen Minette and Mary Kay Wozny represent Bulgaria at the Mock United Nations Conference. These girls will express ideas on the Cyprus conflict, the Suez problem, Algeria, Japan vs. the UN, and the Sudan.

Duchesne College will welcome student politicians from Omaha and surrounding high schools.

This yearly meet brings to light the importance of current events in the lives of high school students.

Scrappy Irish Cash In On Cathedral's Mistakes By 19-7 Surprise Victory

Coach Bob Costello's young, scrappy Irish cashed in early on Cathedral mistakes and finished with a 19-7 surprise victory. The hustle paid off in the first quarter when two touchdowns were scored by the determined Irish who were out hitting and charging their "Class A" opponents.

Micek plunged over for the first touchdown after Don Kaminski recovered a Cathedral fumble on the Omaha's 15, as the backs banged their way down to the two. Shefcyk's placement was blocked.

With in the opening 10 minutes the second TD was scored, Arasmith regained the pigskin for the Irish on the Cathedral 18 after a Cardinal's fumble. Pat Tooley did the able quarterbacking as Micek and Shefcyk carried the ball down to the one, where the latter tallied. A run for the extra point failed.

In the closing seconds of the half an apparent touchdown was called back when the referee ruled that Tony Kroenke had stepped out of the end zone in catching a pass from Shefcyk.

The Shamrocks started taking over once again in the third quarter after Arasmith recovered another fumble. From their 42 they marched down to the two, from where Shefcyk scored. Micek ran the extra point.

Cathedral came to life in the fourth quarter through the work of Ted Tierney and Chuck Caniglia. They drove downfield until the Irish featured a goal-line stand, in which Woerth and Allen Kusek carried the load.

A few minutes later the Omahans took advantage of a short kick which went out of bounds on the 19. Caniglia ran 17 yards for a TD and also gained the extra point.

Green and White Hit High Score To Defeat St. Cecilia's--Hastings

Coach Bob Costello's Shamrocks defeated St. Cecilia of Hastings 46-0. It was the greatest score ever made against the Hawks and was won with surprising ease in a battle between two undefeated teams.

Scoring was divided among all backs and an end. Mike Micek and Dennis Shefcyk each getting two markers and Pat Tooley, Allen Kusek and George Arasmith accounting for the others, with Tooley flipping a couple of TD passes.

Linemen Give Good Defense

Those standing out on defense include Joe Woerth, Paul Langan, and Don Kaminski.

The Irish took the lead within the opening three minutes as they took advantage of a weak Hawk punt which put the ball resting on their 26. Three plays later, Shefcyk ran 20 yards on an end run and also kicked the extra point.

A little later the Shamrocks drove 66 yards in seven plays, with Micek pounding out 44 yards in four tries, the last a five yard scamper and the score.

Arasmith set up the third TD by recovering a fumble on St. Cecilia's 26. Shortly afterwards Kusek converted from the seven and Shefcyk's kick made it 20-0.

Kosiba Recovers Fumble

A fumble recovery by Leo Kosiba on the Irish 39 started another march. A pass from Tooley to Shefcyk covered the final 42 yards, as Shefcyk raced 30 yards untouched for the score.

Tony Kronke curled around another St. Cecilia fumble in the beginning of the second half. A few plays later, Tooley sneaked over from the one foot line and Shefcyk's attempt was good.

Within a couple minutes of the second half Woerth collected the Hawks fourth fumble of the night, on Cecilia's 45. The next play Micek broke through, cut back and went all the way making it 39-0.

Second Team Plays

The final touchdown drive started on the Shamrock 41. Jim Talken, Dale Henke, and Francis Krzyski, all second team players, did some nice running down to the nine yard line where Tooley passed to Arasmith. Micek's run for extra point was good.

St. Cecilia's Shows Sportsmanship

St. Cecilia's good sports kept hustling the entire game but only penetrated the Irish territory three times. The chief threat came when Wayne Gilmore ran 21 yards down to the Shamrock 24, where the defense stiffened and threw the Hawks for a 13 yard loss on the following plays.

Big Slips Show...

(Corrections for Sept. issue)

Sister M. Rayneria, Principal of St. Bonaventure High, belongs very much to the teaching staff. Latin, modern problems, and guidance help to keep Sister busy.

Without Sister M. Gerarda, the library would be a mournful place to go. Sister's smile and readiness to help locate—"Just what I need for that assignment!"—makes library browsing a pleasure.

* M *

Beatrice Euteneyer is not spending time at home. Look for this '56 graduate at St. Mary Hospital, Yankton, South Dakota, in training to be an angel in white, another Florence Nightingale.

* M *

Add one more to one and two is the answer. Thus, Mr. Charles Wolever also came to St. Bonaventure as a new faculty member.

* M *

This jargon—Influences classmen's choice ability to assume leadership—should have read: Ability to assume leadership influences classmen's choice.

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Snappy Marching Unit Will Give Fancy Drills

Mr. Van Ackeren's snappy marching unit, consisting of 35 members, will make several appearances this fall. To boost the spirits of the fans and to offer added attraction during half time, the marching band will give demonstrations at all football games.

Half-time shows will consist of fancy drills rather than "Picture making" viewed by the public last season.

The "tooters" will study more constructive music for concerts to improve the finer points of playing. More concerts appear on the schedule. Music lovers will enjoy extra concerts at Thanksgiving and in the spring.

All band members thrilled to the honor of marching in the parade opening the National Corn Picking Contest.

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Sister Edwina, Department Head Conducts Four Science Classes Father Melchior Teaches Biology

As head of the science department, Sister Edwina has little time for idle thoughts. As a part of her duties Sister conducts a senior and a junior physics class, freshmen general science class, an eighth grade science class. Father Melchior takes over as an instructor of the sophomore biology classes.

Students Prefer Experiments
Of the senior physics class, which numbers fifteen, Sister says: "A class of this size should make rapid progress." All the students heartily agree, but feel the experiments are the most interesting and educational part of the class. Weekly discussions on current science news ranks second in popularity. These discussions help to inform students of all recent developments and improvements in the modern world of science.

Competitive Spirit Prevails
The juniors too, most enjoy experiments and regular discussions which form a part of the junior science club. Nothing speeds up the juniors (or seniors) more effectively than Sisters casual comment: "The seniors (or juniors) are one chapter ahead of this class." This spirit of competition provides a healthy sign in any class and Sister hopes will continue.

Father Makes Drawings
Father Melchior's drawings and lists of definitions give no time for napping during biology class. Ability to reproduce these drawings challenges every one. Memorizing the definitions make good homework tasks. Just now, the final results of the quarterly test might

bring smiles or tears to biology minded sophies.

Jr. Hi Finds Treasure
The junior high division of the science department has been termed a veritable treasure box of knowledge.

A number of interesting topics have been studied including the many worlds in space, the earth, and health. Weather and climate currently from the subject matter treated. Experiments concerning the instruments of measuring air pressure and humidity keep interest alive in this group.

Mr. Wolever Kept Alert By Juniors and Seniors In Drivers' Education

"Easy now, straight backs, cramp your wheels!" These and similar words can be heard by the members of the drivers' ed. class. This is a brand new class, offered to the juniors and seniors this year and keeps Mr. Wolever on the alert at all times.

To make the class more enjoyable and profitable, films on the correct method of handling cars give weekly dark room sessions. So far, only one major catastrophe came to spoil the good record. A senior driver ran a red school signal light.

Some taking advantage of this class enjoy a spin during regular school hours—this makes a class different.

Football Banquet Will Honor Local Gridsters

The annual city-wide football banquet honoring Kramer and St. Bonaventure gridiron players will be held Tuesday, November 20. Invitations from the business men of the city designate escorts to accompany the boys to the banquet at the City Auditorium.

Annual Staff Promises Biggest, Best Yearbook

"We'll have the biggest and best yearbook ever," promises the 1957 yearbook staff. Recently Sister Leonella gave a resume of the added features for this year. Sister says: "For the first time at St. Bon's, colorama will be used; not much color—just enough to make it pretty and different. You Irish, shouldn't wonder which color will appear in THE BONA VENTURE. More pages of pictures will be added, and the book will have the best sports display ever. For the cover, a beautiful green with white lettering will make the book good looking. The entire staff is working hard and unless I miss my guess they'll succeed in giving you a wonderful memory book."

The circulation committee reports an increase in the number of copies requested by students. This shows a greater interest on the part of the school body.

Mike Micek, the business manager, says that the businessmen of Columbus are being most cooperative in a financial way.

Bill McAuliff Gains Eagle Scout Honor

Bill McAuliff now ranks as an Eagle Scout. To achieve this honor requires painstaking effort.

Beginning as a tenderfoot, twenty-one merit badges must be earned. These earnings require tests of various kinds and degrees.

An Eagle Scout can be proud of this achievement because only one out of 200 starters attain this goal. Something else acquired is knowledge equivalent to two and a half years of college in any course.

Another goal Bill will strive to add to scouting honors will be the Silver Award. Four very difficult tests must be passed and for each of these perform a service, a social, and an outdoor activity. Only one out of 400 rank as Silver Award Scouts.

"What a challenge this will be," said Bill.

Annual Fall Music Clinic Schedules Full Program For Everyone Attending

Advance news and announcements concerning the annual fall music clinic shows a full program for everyone attending. The clinic and conventions will be held November 15, 16, and 17.

Guest Conductors Will Attend
Guest conductors for chorus, orchestra, and bands who will attend come from three different states.

Chorus: Robert W. Milton, Director of Dept. of Music Education, Public Schools, Kansas City, Missouri.

Orchestra: Dr. Richard Duncan, Director, Omaha Symphony, Omaha, Nebraska.

Band: Frank Piersol, Director of Bands, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

St. Bons Will Send Five
Five students will represent St. Bonaventure's music department. The five Rose Mary Siemek, Marian Skorupa, and Pat Wiedel will do choral work; Y'Vonne Mitera and Geraldine Cockson will play in the band. The choice came through students' musical interest and ability.

Three days will be spent in rehearsals, sectionals, and individual practicing. A concert will be the climax of the clinic.

Science Club of America Opens Door to Success On Scientific Creativeness

The Science Club of America offers to 40 Americans the open door to success in scientific and engineering creativeness. This invitation, extended to all high school seniors, comes through the courtesy of Westinghouse.

Girls will receive as great an opportunity to compete as boys. Special trips to Washington will be meted out equally between high ranking boys and girls.

Start now to compose the 1,000 word theme on "My Scientific Project." And between December 3 and 27 the scholarship exam will be given. In the interim current science review offers many valuable pointers to help refresh rusty brains.

Eleven thousand dollars in Scholarships should allure any science-minded student. Besides, the five-day all-expense paid trips to the Science Talent Institute at Washington will repay forty high school students for any extra effort made.

Elaine Wieser Receives Press Convention Award

Elaine Wieser, one of the editors of The Venture, received an award at the Press Convention for excellent work in feature writing. The award was presented to her by the president of one of the sororities on campus, at a luncheon held Saturday noon, November 10.

Others in attendance at the Press Convention and contest entrants include — Elaine Boettcher, news writing, Joan Badsteiber, printed newspaper layout, and Pat Wiedel, journalistic terms.

Mrs. Johnson Awards Extension Scholarship

With congratulatory words, Mrs. Harold Johnson, President of the local Extension Council, gave Leona Paprocki a \$150 scholarship. Yearly, the Platte County Home Extension Council awards a scholarship to students interested in home economics, nursing and agriculture. Recognition is given at the Annual Fall Achievement Day.

About 250 extension club women witnessed this year's presentation. Leona, who plans to enter nurse's training following graduation, must use this scholarship in a college or university in Nebraska.



Mr. Joseph J. Van Ackeren, Band Director, with niece Patty and nephew Larry Van Ackeren.

St. Bonaventure Band Will Give Appealing, Expressive Musicales Program Will Have Three Parts

"People, in order to avoid the Christmas rush, let's give the annual winter concert early." These words from Mr. Van Ackeren put the band members on the spot, and without further quibbling all began to work with a will. To make this concert the best ever, the band members meet every day and twice on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A program of appealing and expressive music, enriched with color, contrast and interpretation will be given.

March Opens Concert
The first down beat of the conductors baton will be responded to by the majestic strains of the concert march, "Marcho Poco" by D. I. Moore. Following in order, the first section of the concert will be: "Canyon Passage", "Waltz Medley," including "Diane" and "Char-maine" followed by Romberg's "Desert Song."

Program Will Have Solos
Featured in the second section of the program will be two solos and a trio. Billie Jean Coles and Margaret Mielak will combine talents in a sax solo "Talent Scout." Rose

Mary Siemek will play a trumpet solo — "Trumpeter's Lullaby." "Dancing Reeds", a clarinet trio will be played by Y'vonne Mitera, Geraldine Cockson, and Dolore Shefcyk. The final feature of the second section will be "Spook Session" a drum solo by Ronald Kryczki.

Part III Offers Variety
The final section will be filled with variety ranging from "Prelude and Fuge in D Minor" to "Goofin'." The others—"Citadel", "China Doll", and "La Mascarada" will hold the audience's attention till the very last note.

Pastor Appoints Chaplain
Something new for the band came in the appointment, by the Pastor, Rev. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., of Rev. Kenneth Schlessler, O.F.M., as chaplain and advisor for this group.

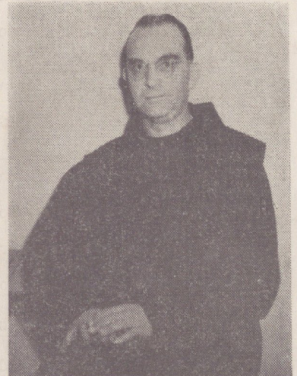
Halloween Party Offers Evening of Merriment

Fun and frolic greeted anyone that stepped into the Youth Center on October 30. Each entrant caught the spirit of Halloween, for on that night the high school students really gave a party to be remembered.

Decorations Add Color
Orange and black streamers, interspersed with brightly colored balloons decorated the Center, and provided the season's atmosphere. With students' attired in very original costumes, crowding the dance floor, the masquerade got underway at 7:30.

Classes Provide Floor Show
Entertainment was provided by each class. Pat Wiedel, representing the seniors, played a piano solo — "Sentimental Journey"; Darlene Bollig gave a humorous reading. As a contribution from the junior class, Kathy Shonka and Mary Kay Wozny did a pantomime — "The Great Pretender." This act gave every one the opportunity for a good laugh. The sophomores provided music. Lorraine Paprocki and Kathy Kuta played several numbers on piano accordions. These numbers set toes 'atapping. Music also came from the freshmen group with Margaret Mrzlak at the piano playing — "Autumn Leaves." The frosh also gave a rather mixed up version of — "How to Throw a Baseball." This skit gave Larry Staroscik, Bill McAuliff, and Larry Minette a chance to show what the boys can do.

Lunch was served later in the evening followed by more dancing.



Rev. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M.

Despite Diverse Opinions Students Agree On Point

Diverse as students' opinions usually are, the entire student body of St. Bon's agrees on one point—that its present superintendent ranks the best. Father Roch is one grand priest. Many reasons can be cited for this conclusion. Foremost and the one that impresses each student is his spirit of progress.

As proof of this, the erection of a new junior high holds the attention of the entire group. Father Roch sees the needs of the young people and goes to it to do something about it.

He's our pastor, our benefactor, and our friend. This issue of THE VENTURE is dedicated to him as a tribute of appreciation and gratitude for being on the students' side.

Building Log

- October
- 22 Foundation cement poured
- 23 Iron braces set up
- 25 Pipes laid out
- 26 Trenches filled to the top with cement
- 27 Bricks delivered and stacked
- 28 Sunday, day of rest
- 29 Finishing touches on cement pouring
- 30 Grounds surveyed again for checking with blueprints
- 31 Sewage pipes brought out
- November
- 1 All Saints Day (Not a day of rest for the workers)
- 2 Sewage pipes laid
- 3 Finishing touches on the digging near the ditches completed
- 4 Work on layout of hadite blocks above ground started
- 5 Continuation of work on hadite blocks above the ground
- 6 Insulation sheets delivered
- 7 Insulation sheets laid on base outline
- 8 Sand hauled to grounds
- 9 More cement mixed and poured
- 10 Bricks for exterior delivered
- 11 Sunday, day of rest
- 12 Monday, Veterans Day
- 13 Floor cement poured
- 14 Sand laid on cement
- Laying of bricks begun (To Be Continued)



Junior Varsity—Top: Leona Mimick, Bernardine Paprocki. Bottom: Kathryn Kuta, Terry Sue Cadwallader, Carolyn Backes.

Will Tears Avail?

Why is it that some people are walking about with tears in their eyes or moping. This anonymous writer notes the cause can be traced to cards.

This week marks the end of the first quarter. And these quarter marks provide jolts and jars to folks who like to walk on easy street.

A new type of report cards, sent out by the Diocesan Superintendent, surprised all. For each subject there is a different card, and the individual teacher can mark down just how the pupil does in that specific course.

But, despite the new cards, not everyone shows happiness about the letters written on them. Still something can be done about that—**STUDY HARDER.**



Senior Varsity—Top: Margaret Mielak, Judith Bator. Bottom: Kathy Shonka, Marian Skorupa, Elaine Boettcher.

Alma Mater Visit Revives Long Forgotten Memories

One bright morning recently I visited my old Alma Mater, Rutgers University, at New Brunswick. While strolling through the beautiful campus, I came upon the gymnasium. Though old and worn, I couldn't help but drop in and have a look at one of my old haunts. After entering and taking the sharp turn to the right I came upon the gold plaque, tarnished and very old-looking but very rich in tradition and history. For the 100th or more time I slowly read the memorabilia words written there. It said, "Here on the soil on which you now stand, on Nov. 6, 1869, took place the first Intercollegiate Football Contest ever held.

Suddenly my thoughts began to roam. I could clearly visualize that great day so many years ago.

The day was chilly and the followers of Princeton and Rutgers were wrapped tightly in thick blankets, or large heavy coats. There was a great anticipation among those few gathered there that day for they all realized the importance of that first game.

Finally the players appeared, big, rough, and ready. They used no uniforms but merely played in street clothes. The first play in college football resulted in a score for Rutgers. Princeton speedily bounced back and tied the score. The first cheerleader in football was busily coaxing on his favorites with such cries as, "Sis," "Boom," "Ah", and "Yea Boys." The game went back and forth with one team leading and then the other until it was tied 4-4. Leggett, Rutgers captain, with a few minutes remaining rallied his team-mates to score twice quickly and the contest was won 6-4 by Rutgers.

A voice startled me back to what might be called consciousness. "Dad, hurry or we'll miss the kickoff," my son said.

Do Birds Need Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving is not strictly for the birds. By this is meant a fine turkey, especially when it is roasted to a buttered brown, coming from the oven and surrounded by all the trimmings—dressing, gravy, candied sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, Waldorf salad, a favorite vegetable, pumpkin pie topped with whipped cream.

All these tempting odors, emanating from the kitchen sends one scurrying to the table. No, back up a minute and think it over. Hasn't something been forgotten?

This day has been set apart to give God thanks for the many blessings received. On this day, attend Holy Mass. There, offer God to God with God. Nothing is more pleasing to Him than uniting with this act of worship one's own acts of adoration, atonement, petition, and thanksgiving.

That's the correct way to start Thanksgiving Day celebration. Before you stretch that eager hand to Tom Turkey, fold grateful hands toward God in prayer and thanksgiving.



It Chases Satan!

It chases the devil! This could well be the slogan on all holy water founts.

Few people realize the great powers of this sacramental and the many benefits which may be derived from its use.

As a sacramental, holy water remits venial sin and gives protection to all who use it. Poor souls long for holy water. Only a drop may be sufficient to release a holy soul from this cleansing fire.

For an increase of spiritual wealth, often make the sign of the cross carefully while saying:

"By this holy water and by Thy Precious Blood wash away all my sins, O Lord."

School Spirit Runs High

First-class school spirit runs high here at St. Bonnies at all games, pep rallies, and membership in school organizations.

Keep up this noticeable good trait, but not to the detriment of other activities just as important.

Take for example, the cafeteria. Wantonly wasting food, and worse yet, throwing it about; dropping napkins and straws on the floor or pushing them in the milk bottles; leaving tables and chairs in disorderly array; all tend to tear down and ruin the spirit of cooperation that the school tries to attain and retain.

Just a few, so-called smart alecks, bring looks of disfavor upon the entire group.

Spark up, you! Don't be a drag! Rather be a lift. Join the group that keeps order!

Need Appears

In these troubled and unsettled times, intelligent leadership appears as an urgent need.

With the re-election of Dwight D. Eisenhower to the Presidency of the United States, the burdens of the entire nation will continue to be placed upon his shoulders.

What better offer of Americanism can be given than that of fervent prayer? Ask God to grant to the President all needful grace to carry out conscientiously the appointed duties of this difficult office.

No longer prayer need be said than just these few words—**"Please, God, Bless Ike."**

Nine Week Honors Earned...

Seniors
Elaine Boettcher, Joan Badstieber, Nancy Beck, Marietta Liebig, Eugenia Podraza, Elaine Wieser, Rose Marie Kellman, Leona Paprocki, Darlene Bollig, Margaret Mielak.

Juniors
Kathleen Kurtenbach, Delores Shefcyk, Clures Hobbensiefken, Mary Jo Dush, Kathy Shonka, Janet Smith, Mary Kay Wozny, Janet Sebek, Arda Meysenberg, Judith Bator, Judith Tylle.

Sophomores
Norma Liebig, Gerald Haller, James Schmidt, John Scharff, Leona Mimick, Kathleen Sokol.

Freshmen

Connie Cronin, Margaret Mary Mrzlak, Jack Odgaard, Marlene German, Mary Kavanaugh, Bill McAuliff, Marvin Henggeler, James Gdowski, David Kampovitz, Larry Starosck, Jane Woodworth, Dennis Hilger, Pat Keating.

Connie Cronin and Margaret Mary Mrzlak head the list with 17 Honor Points each.

Reel Gone!

Come Next Spring—Vacation, no more school.

A Day to Remember—The morning after.

Five Steps to Danger—From the Southwest door to the ditches.

The Man Who Knew Too Much—Not found in the senior class.

On The Threshold of Space—Third floor fire escape.

Unidentified Flying Objects—Spat balls, maybe?

Yang Kwei Fei—When we cross the Pacific.

Anything Goes—While in study hall.

Attack—On all the flies in the senior room.

Beyond A Reasonable Doubt—This is ridiculous!

Creeping Unknown—Snakes in Biology.

Crime Against Joe—Woerth?

Crowded Paradise—St. Bonaventure High School.

The Deadliest Sin—Late articles to THE VENTURE.

Foreign Intrigue—Second year Latin.

Hold Back Tomorrow—Physics Test!

I'll Cry Tomorrow—If I don't pass.

Interrupted Melody—The drum section again!

Let's Make Up—You still owe me 10c.

1984—Virgil finally graduated!

The Searchers—Looking for a pony in English class.

Solid Gold Cadillac—Bob Augustine's jalopy.

Somebody Up There Likes Me—If not I would never have gotten away with that.

There's Always Tomorrow—To make up that work.

Light Spot—Haven't got your assignment.

We're No Angels—But boy; do we have fun!

Blackboard Jungle—Sr. Edwina's Physics Illustrations.

The Tall Men—Shefcyk and Kroenke.

Bus Stop—18th Avenue.

A Developing Career

For the real story of my developing career, the year 1953 marks the beginning. That year, the 4-H Club accepted another new member.

From the projects offered, that of dairy work appealed most. It came in the form of a Guernsey heifer.

As the months passed, this little animal grew and put on weight under the very special care of an interested boy. But when Fair time came, and a red ribbon became the prize, well, that was not too good.

After another year's practice, on a different heifer, a blue ribbon brought joy to my heart. This year, 1956, a return to the red ribbon class showed a lack of something essential in my work.

Ike-Anderson Win Classroom Election

Did you hear who won the election? None other than Ike and Anderson topped the list. I'm not referring to the real election people over 21 took part in. We had our own election in world history class. It was fun to put the x's on the ballot and then drop them in the ballot box. It gave us a real grown-up feeling even though it wasn't a "for sure" vote.

Election day was just one of the interesting things we do in Sister Leonella's world history class. One of our favorite recitations is having a panel discussion on current news. Sister believes in our keeping up with the times for we have a daily newscaster give a report.

At least one day a week we study our little paper "Every Week" and sometimes we have extra news reports. The bulletin board in the history room is kept supplied with clippings of world events. At the top of the board are the letters "We are making history as we read it."

Add Another Candle Happy Birthday

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| Nov. 4 | Leona Mimick |
| 7 | Paul Kudron |
| | Carolyn Backus |
| 9 | Donald Kaminski |
| | Larry Starosck |
| 11 | JoAnn Woodworth |
| | Marvin Henggeler |
| 13 | Jerry Blahak |
| | Richard Dush |
| 14 | Diana Kosiba |
| 16 | Virginia Mimick |
| | David Altmanshofer |
| 18 | Joni Schaefer |
| 20 | Jerome Kneifel |
| 21 | Rose Mary Siemek |
| 23 | Margaret Mrzlak |
| 24 | Ronald Krzycki |
| 25 | Dale Hanke |

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Bonnies Agenda Events Acomin'

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| Nov. 3 | St. Joseph, here |
| 5 | Youth Center Meeting |
| 9 | Junior Convocation |
| 9-10 | Press Convention |
| 12 | Veterans Day, no classes |
| 12 | Boy's Town "B" here |
| 12 | Youth Center Meeting |
| 15-16-17 | State Music Convention, McCook |
| 19 | Youth Center Meeting |
| 22 | Thanksgiving Day |
| 22-23 | Thanksgiving Vacation |
| 26 | Youth Center Meeting |
| 27 | Movies "The Right Touch" and "Electric Typing Time" |
| 28 | University of Nebraska Scholarship Senior Exams |
| Dec. 2 | Band Concert |
| 8 | Immaculate Conception |
| 16 | Choral Clinic |

New Reports Show Old News

Now it's that time of the year again! What time? Oh, time for the unwelcome bits of unnecessary information. Anyway, that's according to my line of thinking.

This year, a brand new kind of report cards came into use, but—gosh, they still carry the same old news!

Now, take for example those few special people who always land a card with good marks. They're the privileged ones! But, take Me, —Why, the only good marks I get are the ones my dad leaves after he has seen my card.



St. Bonaventure School Activities Provide Welcome Diversions

Snappy Majorettes Lead St. Bon's Marching Band

"It is better to be seen and not heard" must be the motto of the five snappy majorettes and drum majorette as they lead Bonnies' marching band. These girls rise early on the cold mornings with the band members to practice formations on the football field or to practice marching for a parade.

The shiny batons fly swiftly through their fingers, twirl high in the air, around in back, between their legs, and back to their fingers again with lightning speed! New and old routines to be worked out and practiced again and again keep the girls on the go.

Leading the band as drum majorette for the second year is Jane Holys. Maureen Micek heads the other majorettes who are Joyce Haney, Diana Kosiba, Janet Markytan and Jo Ann Woodworth.

Football Brings Nostalgia To the Hearts of Alumni

Football is as much a part of fall as October and November and a sport which never fails to bring a bit of nostalgia to the hearts of the alumni as they recall school days gone-by.

But what would football be without its gridiron heroes? To the spectators watching the team perform, a different boy plays the hero's part in every case.

To mother—Her boy sitting on the bench who jumps up eagerly when the coach beckons and runs onto the field with a rack of water bottles has the role of hero!

To father—No one but his boy tackled that hard running back just in time to prevent his reaching the goal-line. (Approximately 70 yards away!)

To sweetheart—Her muscle-bound he-man sprained his ankle for the cause in a scrimmage with the freshmen!

To coach—The kid he thought would never make it, but who kicked the field goal in time to save the squad from embarrassing defeat to an underdog scrub team!

To little sister—That mean 'ole brother of mine thinks he's smart just because he made the winning touchdown!

To kid-brother—My big brother won the game!

O'Leary Awakes to Poll Current Music Favorites

O'Leary sleeps the greater part of the time, but wide awakesness came when ballots for the music poll began to float about. After counting the returns, O'Leary can say . . .

Lawrence Welk gains the votes of most of the participants, as the favorite orchestra.

Canadian Sunset easily got the title as the favorite instrumental.

The editors could hardly believe that Davy Crockett holds the favorite spot of the students. "The Ballad of Davy Crockett" remains the favorite ballad.

Competition appeared in the votes for a favorite Rock 'n Roll Song. "Hound Dog" came up with the most votes.

Various Classes Prefer Different Library Books

As the students browse through the library shelves Sister Gerarda notices that certain books take precedence among the various classes. Do you have a favorite type of story you prefer to read?

The freshies tend to lean to animal stories, especially dog and horse tales. Popular among them are the Walter Farley horse stories and such books as Smoky and Sand by Will James.

Personal development and improvement stories hold the interest of the sophomores. Career books for young moderns such as the Sue Barton series and the Cherry Ames series are favorites with sophie girls. The boys like the adventure and airplane flight stories.

In the junior class you will find many of these upper classmen reading historical novels and biographies of great people. Fulton Oursler's Greatest Story Ever Told and Thomas Costain's Silver Chalice are worthy examples. Especially well-liked by the junior boys are Trent's Cases, a book of detective stories; also personal narratives of wars. The girls enjoy reading novels depicting happy family life and personal adjustment stories.

"The seniors like to get a peep at the parish library," claims Sister Gerarda.

Cheers Resound

Three Cheers and fifteen Raahs for Father Tim! Hip—Hip—Hooray! Hip—Hip—Hooray! What's the special reason for the noise from the cheering section, you ask?

Thanks a million to Father for the hard work and effort to get that Pep Club reorganized. St. Bons again will sport a unified cheering section at all games.

The club members will wear green and white outfits. School spirit runs high in this group Watch 'em, Shamrocks, watch 'em!

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When I Grow Up

Remember when you were little, and you used to dream about what you would do when you were big enough to make dreams come true?

Didn't you plan to be a nurse like the one who took care of you when those dreaded tonsils came out? Or a Sister like your favorite teacher? Maybe you hoped by the time you were old enough, women could be President, or pilots, or firemen! Whatever form your dreaming took, anything seemed possible in that magic world of—WHEN I GROW UP.

Now, you're older. You still think about what you will do and be when you are finished with high school. However, there's a difference in your approach. You're more realistic now. You think about your own abilities and limitations. You know that education costs money and what's possible for you is taken into consideration.

Furthermore, you've learned to pray hard for help in choosing the right vocation. Now when we began this sentence—When I grow up—it was make believe; it is finished seriously.

Soon you will be grown up. Start now with serious planning and discuss these ambitions and big dreams with someone who knows.

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Bonnie Tells Tales...

Clures Ann Hobbensiefken

St. Bon's welcomes another product of the little town of Platte Center in the person of Clures Ann Hobbensiefken. She was born on May 30, 1941 in the fair city of Columbus, and is the oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Albin Hobbensiefken.



District No. 11 gave the rudiments of learning for the first eight grades, and Platte Center High added to this knowledge during freshman and sophomore years.

Two hobbies help to keep this little brunette busy: piano playing and horse back riding. In this latter interest, Clures holds membership in the Silver Spur Saddle Club.

For the future, Clures plans to attend college to become a laboratory technician.

Maxine Foltz



October 2, 1941 marks the date and Humphrey, Nebraska the place in which Maxine Foltz entered this world, to become the fifth member of a family of six children.

St. Mary's School, near Humphrey supplied the foundation for Maxine's education the first six years. The seventh, eighth, and the first two years of high school were spent in Platte Center.

Strictly an outdoor girl, Maxine enjoys all sports with special preference for tennis and ice-skating.

After high school, a business college education will be pursued with emphasis on secretarial work.

Karen Fouts

A little whirlwind of activity, in the person of a freshman, often is seen hurrying through the halls of St. Bon's High.



Formerly of Stanton, this five-foot blond fits right in the rank and file of Bonnies. As a member of the band Karen plays the flute. For other pastimes, collecting pictures of birds and flowers proves equally as enjoyable. People who pop gum and talk at movies constitute pet peeves.

The exciting vocation of some day being an alert airline hostess, now attracts as a worthwhile endeavor after graduation. For the present, school, with English and general science, keeps this freshman busy.

Shamrock Gridsters Take Lead Margin Vanishes In Last Half

Within four minutes of the game, St. Bonaventure gridsters took the lead, but this margin did not remain in the second half.

The Irish took the opening kickoff on its own 38 yard line. Allen Kusek made a first down on the first play. Seven plays later, Mike Micek took the pigskin to rest on the Lincoln five. Dennis Shefcyk maneuvered to the one from where Micek bagged across. The try for the extra point was blocked.

Pius Loses Yardage

Pius X lost 13 yards in the first series of plays, and the fightin'

Irish took over on the hosts' 38. Pat Tooley "hit" the right play; Micek broke through the line, aided by beautiful blocking, went 38 yards to tally. The husky fullback plunged for the extra point to make the score 13-0.

McWilliams Hits Paydirt

In the next series of plays, the Thunderbolts threw the Irish defense, and Joe McWilliams sprinted 59 yards to playdirt. George Easley, who kept Pius rolling, passed to Don Thompson for the extra point.

Easley Makes Good

Pius took the kick off at the half and marched 62 yards in 14 plays to pay dirt. After a 15 yard run, Easley scored, but lost the tally by a duble penalty. Shortly thereafter, Easley made good the previous failure.

The Irish received the kickoff and failed to make a first down after a fourth and two situation. From here the Thunderbolts took over on downs.

Neal Closes Gates

With five minutes to go Pius "closed the gates" for the Shamrocks as Joe Neal raced 54 yards for the final TD. Easley ran the extra point.

Led by Joe Woerth, Bonnies shown brightly the first half.

Kaminski Receives Injury

Kaminski, center, received an injury, a chipped ankle bone, during the last quarter. Carroll Wemhoff replaced Kaminski.

Coach Costello Admits Doubts Cause Concern At Season's Beginning

As Coach Costello takes a backward look on the 1956 football season, no regrets about its outcome can be found. To be very frank, the coach admits many doubts as sailed him at the beginning of the season. One reason for the misgivings came because of the lack of returning lettermen. With only three returning lettermen, namely Mike Micek, team captain, Dennis Shefcyk and Joe Woerth, it looked like a long and painful season. Another cause to arouse fears came from the standpoint of the size of the squad. This group numbered 23 strong, with only six members that had seen a very limited amount of service previously. However the biggest worry throughout the season arose from fear of injury to any one member of the first team.

Arasmith Gets Injury

But, by the grace of God, each game saw the starting line intact except for the last game of the season. George Arasmith sustained a knee injury in practice the week before the Boys' Town "B" game.

Coach Costello considers the acceptance of responsibility, the desire to play hard and clean football, and the knowing of good leadership to the under classmen by the three Senior Shamrocks the biggest aids—the bright lights shining in the darkness. For these boys, the coach will retain a thankful remembrance. For the underclassmen, a hope cherished that this year's spirit will continue to grow to further improve football at St. Bon's.

St. Bonaventure Shamrocks Hand Boys Town Reserves First Defeat Four-Three Record Ends Season

Boys Town Reserves bowed to a 20-14 decision to hand them their first defeat in eight outings. The Shamrocks ended the season with victory which gave them a 4-3 record.

Irish Wide Awake

The wide awake Irish defense recovered four enemy fumbles. The first bobble came two plays after the opening kickoff. Mike Micek recovered on the Cowboy's 22 and the Shamrocks scored within a few plays. Micek tallied from the nine.

A little later a poor Omaha punt put the ball on the Boys Town 33. Hard running by the backs, and a nine yard pass from Pat Tooley to Tony Kroenke placed the pigskin on the four. Micek converted and Shefcyk's kick made it 13-0.

Micek Recovers

On the first play after the kickoff, Micek recovered a fumble on the Cowboy's 22, but a 15 yard penalty canceled the Shamrock bid.

St. Bonaventure's were threatening once more in the waning minutes of the first half, but Gerald Brady intercepted a pass on his 10 and was brought down on the Irish 38. Three plays later Dan Owens raced 18 yards to score.

Bonnies Hit Paydirt

In the opening of the third period, the Bonnies' team marched with the ball from their 17 all the way to

paydirt. The drive took 19 plays, and about eight minutes.

A 22 yard pass from Pat Tooley to Shefcyk and Micek's line blasting featured the drive. Another pass to Shefcyk became good for the final five yards and the score.

Sibodnik Runs Sixty-two

The Irish began to threaten again, but Charles Pena's interception stopped this drive. In the closing minutes of the game, Bob Sibodnik's punt return would have gone all the way were it not for a clipping penalty on the Shamrock's 18.

Jim Brady passed to Peters for 17 and tallied the next play. Tackle, Paul Langan, grabbed on on-side kick to keep the Bonnie's lead.

Standouts for St. Bonaventure—the three seniors—Micek, Shefcyk, and Woerth. Owens and Guard, Bud Snyder led for Boys' Town.

Did You Hear...

Members of the Journalism Club helped Y'vonne Mitera to celebrate her birth anniversary. Being a bit different, Y'vonne supplied the duck—birthday cake and orange ade.

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During 45 school days a total of 40,389 half pints of milk constitutes the amount consumed at St. Bonaventure School. You say: "That's lots of milk." The rejoinder: "Much money too, a mere \$2,019.45."

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St Bonaventure's P.T.A. donated a 1956 set of World Books Encyclopedia to the school library. Sister Gerarda exclaims that words can't express how much they are appreciated. The new books will fill the gap left when the old set was moved to the study hall.

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The annual staff in appointing co-workers to help with the yearbook left out the all-important job of art editor. Jo Ann Woodworth now fills that post and is working industriously with the rest of the staff to make the annual a success.

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Lincoln Host To Girl Scouts

The Convention City of Lincoln was buzzing with the activities of Senior Girl Scouts from all over Nebraska the week-end of November 10-11.

The Cornhusker Hotel provided the headquarters for the conference which began with registration Saturday morning. The girls enjoyed a program of reports on summer camping events and the Region VIII Conference. Elaine Boettcher gave an informal talk on the arena events at the first National Scout Round-up held in the latter part of June and first part of July. Virginia Mimick took charge of a buzz session in which the Columbus group participated.

Scouts attending the Convention from St. Bon's were five seniors and five freshmen: Joan Badstieber, Elaine Boettcher, Virginia Mimick, Marian Skorupa, Jo Ann Woodworth, Jane Burns, Connie Cronin, Peggy Gregorius, Melba Koci, and Margaret Mrzlak.

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St. Bon's Glee Group Will Give Variety Program December 16

Variety will be the main attraction of the annual high school glee concert to be presented in the St. Bonaventure Social Hall December 16.

The selections to be given will include: "Deck The Hall," a traditional Welsh Christmas carol; "Holiday For Strings", David Rose; "Pat-A-Pan," a Burgundian air by Bernard de la Mannay; "Noel, Noel", Wilbur Chenoweth; "Gesù Bambino", Pietro A. Yon; "Here A Torch, Jeannette, Isabella", an Old Provencal Noel; "Carol Of The Bells", Ukranian Carol by M. Leontovich; "O Holy Night",

Adolphe Adam; and "Sleigh Ride" by Le Roy Anderson.

Lower Grades Join Group

Added to the group this year will be grades five and six singing six traditional carols. They are: "Joy To The World", "Deck The Hall", "Little Town Of Bethlehem", "Away In A Manger", "The First Noel", and "Adeste Fidelis".

Triple Trio To Sing

Featured on the program will be the Triple Trio. Songs they will sing consist of three novelty numbers—"Twelve Days Of Christmas", "I'm Gettin' Nuttin' For Christmas", and "Jingle Bells" and also the ever-popular "White Christmas", "Winter Wonderland", and "Sliver Bells".

Pat And Maureen Will Play

Rounding out the evening's entertainment will be selected piano solos by Maureen Micek and Pat Wiedel.

Council Members Add Another Responsibility--- To Help Keep Order

The student council members have taken on a new responsibility. It is now the duty of these students to keep order in the school cafeteria. At the suggestion of the student council advisor, Sister M. Rayneria, president Dennis Shefcyk has organized the members into four teams with one student acting as captain for each.

It is the duty of the captain to see that there is no pushing or loud talking in the line. Other team-members keep the tables in order, seeing that they are cleared and the chairs are in place.

The teams may be identified by the green bands which are worn on their arms.

Festivities Will Begin With Yuletide Carols

Christmas festivities, at St. Bonaventure Church, will begin at 11:30 Christmas Eve with the adult choir singing the traditional Yuletide Carols.

At Midnight, during the singing of "Silent Night, Holy Night," a group of little children, two representing Mary and Joseph, will accompany the clergy and the acolytes to the crib.

After the blessing and prayers, the Infant will be placed in the manger. Thereupon, Solemn High Mass will begin. At this time the choir will sing:

Missa "Regina Pacis" by Pietro Yon
Offertory—"Tui Sunt Coeli"
Recessional—"Adeste Fidelis"
During Communion, Mrs. Charles Stone, will play organ interludes. Two low Masses will follow the High Mass, with the choir singing carols.

Other Masses will be at six, seven, eight, nine-fifteen, and ten-thirty. During the eight o'clock Mass, the senior high school choir will sing, and at the nine o'clock Mass, the members of the junior high school choir will raise voices in praise of the newborn King.

Our Holy Father Asks Prayers For Hungary In His Latest Encyclical

From the pen of Pope Pius XII the latest Encyclical letter pleads for prayers for all sufferers in a strife-torn Hungary. In the words of the Holy Father:

"We desire also that all Christians join their prayers to Ours for this purpose." His Holiness protested against the "sad deeds" in Hungary which have provoked bitter sorrow and indignation, not only of the Catholic world, but also of all free people throughout the world. He declared that a people's desire for freedom cannot be smothered in blood.

All readers of *The Venture* are asked to redouble their efforts to arouse the fervor of fellow students and families in supplication according to the wishes of Our Holy Father.



Kathleen Briggs receives \$25 Savings Bond from Al Becher.

General Officers Use PA System To Direct Mystical Rose Sodality

Because of the lack of adequate room this year for a large assembly, the reports of regular meetings of The Mystical Rose Sodality reach the students from the general officers by means of the public address system. Whereafter, the room officers hold discussions in the respective class rooms on the issues presented by the general officers.

Prefect Calls Order

Prefect, Ted Pfeifer, called to order on Thursday, December 6, the last meeting before Christmas. Father Roch opened the meeting with prayer. Reports from officers came next on the agenda. Marian Skorupa, secretary, read a letter of thanks from Rev. Charles F. McCarthy, M.M. Father McCarthy expressed gratitude to the Sodality for putting Christ back into Christ-

msa by selling Catholic Christmas greeting cards.

Father Roch Gives Conference

Living in the state of sanctifying grace keyed the conference by Father Roch. "In order to maintain this life of grace, receive the sacraments, especially holy Communion, frequently," urged Father. "By daily attendance at Mass, and receiving holy Communion during the Mass one participates to the full in the holy Sacrifice. By this means can be attained the sanctity God asks of all." With these words, a very inspiring talk came to a conclusion.

Lastly, Father gave the blessing to all, and the last meeting for 1956 was adjourned.

Kathleen Briggs Takes First Place Twenty-three Contestants Compete

Kathleen Briggs captured first place at the city-wide "I Speak for Democracy" contest held November 29, in the St. Bonaventure Social Hall. A \$25 savings bond was presented to Kathy. She won over 22 other contestants from Kramer High and St. Bon's.

Kramer Captures Two

Kramer High students took second and third places. Lois Muhle received a cash award of \$10 for second prize. Gretchen Gaver and Marianne Devlin tied for third prize.

Fifteen Bonnies Try

Bonnie students taking part in the contest: Virginia Mimick, JoAnn Woodworth, Eugenia Podraza, Elaine Wieser, Gerry Cockson, Dolores Shefcyk, Carroll Wemhoff, Jane Helys, Judy Bator, Don Kaminski, Paul Langan, Bill Reuss.

Juniors Dig Deep To Find Dollars

By digging deep down into pockets, the necessary dollars came rolling out. Now the juniors can display those dreamed about class rings.

Gold bands with the crest of St. Bon's adorns the center; on top of this crest is the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove; the year is embossed in white gold on the side; further down the initials of the students can be seen.

Y C Events Promise Everyone Good Time

Entertaining Youth Center events in the making for the coming holiday season promise a good time for all.

"Caroling Party" Coming

Bonnie students will want to take part in the "Go Caroling Party" before Christmas. A definite date has not yet been set, but the bulletin boards will carry the announcement.

Biggest Event To Happen

A formal dance will be held on New Year's night in the social hall. It promises to be the biggest event yet for St. Bon's. The couples will dance to the music of the Charles "Mike" Reilly Combo. The Alumni and young married couples will receive a special welcome.

Building Log

November

- 19—Cement floors laid.
- 20—Snow—Work partially halted.
- 21—Remnants of various materials picked up.
- 22—Thanksgiving Day.
- 23—More bricks laid.
- 24—Covering for floors delivered.
- 25—Sunday, day of rest.
- 26—Protective covering placed on new floors.
- 27—Inclement weather halts work.
- 28—Work remains at a halt.
- 29—West wall begun.
- 30—West wall grows in height.

December

- 1—One wall completed!
- 2—Sunday, day of rest.
- 3—Bricks laid for south wall.
- 4—Vents put in south wall.
- 5—South wall takes shape.

(to be cont.)

Bob Augustine, Arda Meysenburg and Kathy Shonka.

Kathy's winning speech will be entered in the State Competition for further consideration. State winners will be entered in the National Competition.

Students Will Broadcast

Daily, during this month, one of the essays will be broadcast over station KJSK by the respective writer.

New Triple Trio Comes to Life

St. Bon's Triple Trio came to life again! Under the direction of Mr. Van Ackeren, Darlene Wemhoff, Virginia Mimick, and Joyce Haney carry the first soprano; Pat Wiedel, Margaret Mielak, and Marian Skorupa, second soprano; Dolores Roebuck, Kathy Briggs, and Rose Mary Siemek, alto. Billie Jean Coles accompanies the group.

At the city-wide football banquet the songsters entertained. Other public appearances will come during the choral concert, the music contest, and at banquets and luncheons given by social groups.

Craft Students Enjoy Making Leather Items

Learning to make a key holder proved to be an interesting first project in the craft class. The craft students find working with leather, a most enjoyable subject and even a little difficult at times, especially when it comes to confusing lacing tricks or making original designs.

In craft, just as in regular classes, there is a correct procedure to begin work. First the leather must be designed and shaped into the right size. Holes have to be punched for lacing, and then the lacing itself must be done. Necessary snaps, key rings etc. are added, along with the finish, and the articles are then considered ready for use. Making a comb case and coin purse are other projects in which the craft enthusiasts have practiced the art. Setting initials in the finished articles adds a decorative touch.

Coming up next in the line of project is carving to which all the craft students are eagerly looking forward.



St. Bonaventure Band. Front: Rev. Kenneth Schlessler, O.F.M., Mary Jo Tucek, Mr. Joseph J. Van Ackerman, Director. Band members: Left Top Row: Jolene Shemek, Carol Johnson, Rose M. Moschenross, Patricia Gregorius, Jane Woodworth, Pat Keating, Julie Litjen. Second Row: Lea Markhofer, Joan Badstieber, Patty Badstieber, Frances Pfaff, Kathleen Briggs, Jane Holys. Bottom Row: Y'vonne Mitera, Geraldine Cockson, Dolores Shefcyk, Sharon Messersmith. Center: Top Row: David Altmanshofer, Ronald Krzycki, Alfred Starostka. Second Row: Rosemary Siemek, Jerome Kneifel, Alan Kusek, John Scharff, Gerald Haller, Jack Odgaard. Bottom Row: Elaine Reichter, Pat Wiedel, Maureen Micek, Betty Wozny, Mary A. Kavanaugh. Right: Top Row: Joe Woerth, Carrol Wemhoff, Gaylord Kafka, Richard Friedman, Paul Scharff, Bob Reuss. Second Row: Billie Jean Coles, Margaret Mielak, Jane Byrnes, Ted Pfeifer, Elaine Wieser, Dennis Daly. Bottom Row: Kathy Shonka, Melba M. Koci, Karen Fouts, Donald Mostek.



What Makes Christmas?

The brightly colored Christmas lights of a city look down on the bustling crowds of last-minute holiday shoppers. The department stores ring with the sound of the cash registers opening and closing.

And where is Christmas? Can it be found among the splashy wrapping paper, the shiny ribbons, the incandescent tree bulbs?

In a lowly manger, even one erected in the poorest church, the Infant Babe proclaims the true meaning of Christmas. The simple childish trust of a boy or girl in prayer before this Babe brings out the faith that should be everyone's.

Today, too many people consider the material side of the Feast, forgetting that without the coming of Christ to redeem mankind there would be no Christmas.

Must We Wait?

Why wait till Christmas time to bid a kindly word, a note of cheer, to write that friend you write but once a year?

It is good that Christmas comes so we do greet our friends with a merry saying and a happy smile; so the old folks and the sick are remembered with maybe just a Merry Christmas card.

The grumpy soul dares not complain on Christmas day; the children do not talk back at all. The churches are packed to overflowing.

Yes, it is good that Christmas comes, but why wait till then?

Do You Qualify?

Are you qualified to be a member of the Quill and Scroll? This international honorary journalism society is an organization of high school journalists who have earned the right to belong to this selected group.

Requirements are combined from national and local standards. The Quill and Scroll constitution states that a candidate must be in the upper third of his class at the time of his nomination. He must be at least a junior although sophomores and second-semester freshmen may be working toward this honor. The nominee must be recommended by the local faculty advisor and approved by the national executive secretary of the organization.

February will be here soon. Then the installation of new members will take place.

Pep Band Takes Bow

Hurray for the Pep Club! Yea for the cheerleaders! But does one ever hear about the other all important part of the cheering section, the pep band? The band, rarely misses a game and performs regularly at the sidelines and at the halftime. Besides making music the members of the band always seem to reserve enough energy to cheer as loudly and wildly as the rest of the student body.

Another cheer for Mr. Van Ackeran who in any and all kinds of weather shows up to direct (and worry) the band through the many minor crises which accompany the activities of the pep band.

And what would the music department be without Mary Jo? Honestly though, Mary Jo is appreciated and "next time for sure I'll remember to bring my own music!"

Despite all the worries and little (sometimes they seem immense) inconveniences no one would give up that respective chair as a member of the band.

Christmas Bustle

I've always wondered what the North Pole was like at Christmas time. With all the hustle and bustle down here I imagine it must be terribly busy, but I wasn't prepared for this, a twentieth century Christmas!

Someone was hollering, "Dig that crazy nose!" and I knew they could be talking about none other than Rudolph. A busy elf shouted, "Get the lead out, if we don't get that sled downtown for a lub job, she'll never make the rounds." Another voice, "What is this business? Do you want to burn out Rudolph's nose just before Christmas?" Last year was enough. We almost left Lyman A's gifts at Terrie Sue C's house what with the fog and all.

Santa was wailing, "Oh, it gets worse every year. Wherever will I find a cat with black side-burns yet!! A pussy cat, an alley cat, but a cat with side-burns! The orders from the Briggs house get harder to fill every year."

Thoroughly confused I walked into what appeared to be a toy factory where the head machinist was saying, "Now this year our Davy Crockett assembly line must be entirely changed to an Elvis Presley line. Why can't these fads last a little longer. Who knows, next year it will probably be King George V!"

But through this all, a feeling of Christmas prevailed and just as down here I left with a shout of Merry Christmas and the ring of answering replies.



St. Bonaventure Pep Band livens things up a bit.

Did You Hear . . . Father Kenneth Assures Reporter 'It's A Pleasure to Give Interview'

The loud crash as a window shattered in the hallway by the senior room. Five junior boys stood sheepishly by looking about innocently(?)! Investigation revealed that it was purely an accident due to a little rough play. No ill effects were sustained except the cold winter wind which blew freely through the corridor.

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The senior girls, out-numbering the senior boys two to one, have added another girl to their numbers, Mary Jane Moser, a pert and peppy blond from Hooper, brings the class total to 43.

Patricia and Rose Mary Steiner of Humphrey have also joined the rank and file of Bonnie students. They are in the eleventh and tenth grades respectively.

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A heap of pennies, nickles, dimes, quarters and a few half dollars, given for the Missions netted a sufficient amount to procure an altar cloth for Rev. Othmer Rollman's mission in the jungles of Brazil. How about a few more days without a coke, candy bar, or movie during Advent. Father could use a second altar cloth. Through the self-denials of the Commerce Club, this project became a reality.

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The freshmen scholarship exams from the University of Nebraska were taken by thirteen seniors. The exam, administered in the morning and afternoon of November 23, tested the students' functional more than factual knowledge.

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The Four Clovers have turned professional! Well, not quite, but they are now under the watchful eye of Mr. Van Ackeran and in the future will be known as the Double Duo. They even have their own accompanist, Elmer Gattermeyer, who played for them when they entertained at the city-wide football banquet.

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All art students in junior and senior high schools of Nebraska will have an opportunity to work for recognition of their talent and achievement by participating in the 1957 Scholastic-Art Awards, sponsored regionally by J. L. Brandeis and Sons in cooperation with Scholastic Magazines. All entries from this territory are to be submitted during the week of February 4, and not later than Saturday, February 9, to J. L. Brandeis & Sons.

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This week, Floyd Arasmith and Bob Zoucha visited their Alma Mater after finishing boot training at Camp Pendleton. Both boys acclaim that—school days are the best days in ones life after all! Floyd advises the boys to strive to become expert typists!

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Thirty-eight seniors spent December 5 in taking the State Employment Aptitude Tests. Some girls report—"Those tests really make one dizzy!"

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Twenty years is a long time to publish a school paper. This year THE VENTURE celebrates that birthday. The first year's issue shows the name as THE BONA VENTURE. The format has changed considerably during the years: from a mimeographed paper to a printed one, from a thirteen inch to an eighteen inch edition, and to one that contains a generally larger coverage of the school news.

Christmas Eve

On Christmas eve I went to the tree And lying there was a package for me

I started to wonder what it could be So I opened it and guess what I did see.

It's shape was different and very small

So I thought it must be a basketball I opened it further and to my surprise

It was a tiny puppy with pretty brown eyes!

(A cub-reporter interviews a music appointee.)

Reporter: "Father Kenneth, I'm from our school paper, THE VENTURE, may I have an interview with you concerning your new assignment?"

Fr. Kenneth: "Surely, what would you like to know?"

Reporter: "What does your job entail?"

Fr. Kenneth: "I guess you would call me the Music Faculty Advisor. Or let's put it this way—I'm to the Music Department what Father Tim is to the Athletic Department."

Reporter: "Then what will be your duties?"

Fr. Kenneth: "My job, as far as I perceive it, will be to give limited advice as to procedure to Mr. Van Ackeran; to plead the cause of the Music Department; and to encourage our budding musicians."

Reporter: "Have you any immediate plans for the Music Department?"

Fr. Kenneth: "We (I use the word 'We' purposely because Mr. Van Ackeran and Miss Tucek, and myself are working in perfect harmony—excuse the pun)—we have some future plans, but our big concern now is to make the coming Music Concert a grand success."

Reporter: "You speak of 'future plans'—would you give us some hints as to what these future plans might be?"

Fr. Kenneth: "Yes, although they are only in the talking stage, we hope with the school authorities' permission to stage a Music Talent Show, a Grade School Musicales, and a crack mixed Glee Club."

Reporter: "You mentioned a crack mixed Glee Club with a twinkle in your eyes, why?"

Fr. Kenneth: "That is our secret ambition. I would like to see St. Bon's produce a good male quartet or octet—or even a Columbus 'Pat Boone.'"

Reporter: "That's a big order!"

Fr. Kenneth: "Let me explain! We are convinced that there is a lot of hidden musical talent among the boys. Look at the goodly number of quartets that are going over big on your popular records. The Ames Brothers, the Four Freshmen; the Four Aces, the Cloverleafs, the Blackwood Brothers, the Diamonds—to name a few. Did you ever notice the male section which accompanies the singers on the Perry Como Show? One group of male singers that I like is the one that harmonizes with the guest singer on the Firestone Hour."

Reporter: "How do you propose to go about getting the boys to sing either singly or in groups?"

Fr. Kenneth: "First there will have to be an education program—noting formal, mind you. But it will consist in trying to convince the lads that singing is a skill or art, just as shooting a basket in basketball. It will endeavor to prove to them that singing is fun; that the voice he has which so suddenly began to crack can be trained to produce manly musical tones; that singing is an expression of the heart—that the singing ambitions of many a young man

can be realized if he will give it half a try.

Reporter: "You mentioned about training for boys—have you any plans in that direction?"

Fr. Kenneth: "Yes, we hope to set up a training program either for the individual or for a group. So far we have been talking about singing mostly. We do have big plans for the Band as well as for the Glee Club. We hope also to work more with the Grade School in the instrumental line."

Reporter: "That's quite a future, if you can produce it!"

Fr. Kenneth: "With the cooperation of the students, we feel that we can put the Music Department before the world."

Reporter: "Well, Father, I wish you all kinds of success in your new job and in your plans. Thanks for this nice chat."

Fr. Kenneth: "Not at all, I find it's a pleasure to work with the Music Department and I will be most cooperative with the Venture. Come around again."

Bonnie Tells Tales...

LEROY HAMLING

LeRoy Hamling, a new junior here at St. Bonaventure, spent his first ten years of learning at a Catholic school in Elgin, Nebraska with an almost identical name—St. Boniface.



Seventeen year-old LeRoy is the youngest of a family of four. He has no particular hobbies and he keeps us in suspense as to his favorite pastime! When asked what some of his extra-curricular activities are, LeRoy replied, "Eat, sleep, and go to school!" Busy boy there! He does play basketball with the varsity though. Uncle Sam will have another helper when LeRoy graduates.

JIM JARECKI

A husky 15 year old sophomore is Jim Jarecki, a transfer from Clark High.



Jim, the oldest of a family of four, has been active in sports here at St. Bon's since his arrival. Playing football with the varsity keeps him plenty busy in the fall and now basketball will take lead.

Jim's athletic preferences make swimming and hunting his favorite past times. History seems to be the best-liked subject in school-work.

St. Bon's agrees with Jim and Jim likes St. Bon's, especially the kids, he states.

College is the goal he will work for after graduation.

JOE BADSTIEBER

"One of the things I like best about St. Bon's is that you get to change classes all the time," states fourteen year-old, Joe Badstieber. Joe spent his grade school years at St. Anthony's and is now enjoying the grand life of a high school freshman.



The only boy in the family, Joe has made no comment as to life with two older sisters, both in high school! He enjoys passing the spare time by working on his hot rod or on his electric train. Hunting and attending the Youth Center are favorites with him, too.

In school-work at the present, Algebra and general science are pet subjects. Future plans are a long way off for Joe but he says he might go to college after graduation.

White Winter

The most beautiful season of the year all is when starry patterned snowflakes begin to fall. All the remains of autumn are gone, we know. And what is left is covered with silvery shining glow.

Winter

Slippery streets
Icy creeks
Snow falling
Wind calling
All describe
Winter frolics.

Snow-capped peaks
Ruddy cheeks
Snowballs flying
Children crying
All describe
Winter frolics.

—Janet Hilger

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Rev. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., welcomes His Excellency, Bishop Ambrose Pinger, O.F.M., D.D., after his return from imprisonment in China.

Valentine Festivities Will Center About King and Queen Crowning

On February 13, Youth Center festivities will center about the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts, at the Valentine Party. Choice of these dignitaries came by way of student body vote, and the results of this secret ballot will be made known at the party.

Six Will Try

Candidates' names submitted to try for honors include: Virginia Mimick, Joan Badstieber, Darlene Wemhoff, Cliff Finkral, Virgil Liss and Ted Pfeifer.

Dancing Will Attract

After the crowning, dancing will be the main attraction. To add spice, the Triple Trio and the Double Duo will sing a number of favorite songs.

The ever important item, "eats" will be furnished by the seniors.

Quill and Scroll Society Will Add New Members

This month eight juniors and two seniors will be enrolled as members of the Quill and Scroll, an International Honorary Society for High School Journalists. This is a select organization and the nominees must work hard to fulfill the requirements. He must be in the upper third of his class at the time of his nomination; he must be recommended by the local faculty advisor, and approved by the national executive secretary of the organization.

The following students will be installed: Judie Bator, Geraldine Cockson, Don Kaminski, Rosemarie Kellman, Tony Kroenke, Y'vonne Mitera, Arda Meysenburg, Dick Sansoni, Delores Shefcyk, and Mary Kay Wozny.

This is the largest group ever to be enrolled from St. Bon's at one time.

Sodalists Will Provide Adorers For Saturday To Make Reparation

The Mystical Rose Sodality will provide adorers for the perpetual adoration in church every Saturday from 6 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Other organizations such as the C. D. A., the Legion of Mary, the Third Order of St. Francis, and other volunteer members of the parish will spend a weekly hour before the Blessed Sacrament. Eventually, someone will be at prayer in church each day, the entire week.

The Legion of Mary started this movement in the parish for the purpose of reparation to the Blessed Sacrament, to petition special favors, and to give thanks for the blessings bestowed upon the parish.

Dr. Foltz to Conduct Annual Vocal Clinic

Dr. David Foltz, as guest conductor for the annual vocal clinic, will direct the massed mixed choruses from York High School, North Bend, Schuyler, Kramer, and St. Bonaventure on Tuesday, February 12.

The program for the day will include registration by the teachers at 8 o'clock and rehearsals from 9 o'clock to 12 o'clock and again in the afternoon from 1:30 to 4 o'clock.

The evening concert to be given for the public at 8 p. m. will begin with a presentation by the mixed voices of, "O God, Our Help In Ages Past," arranged by Croft and Barton, Dr. Foltz' own "Save Us, O Our God," "Kyrie Eleison"—Dietrich, "To the Dawn"—Williams, the delightful Simeon's arrangement of the "Inch Worm" and in conclusion, "Ride the Chariot" by Smith. The girls' glee will then sing "Night Song" by Clokey and "Sheep and Lambs May Safely Graze," by Bach and Treharme.

Many weeks filled with much hard work and diligent practice are spent in preparation for this event. A capacity crowd, to show appreciation, will do much to encourage young music students. The program promises to provide an evening of fine entertainment.

Faculty, Students Enjoy Business-Education Day

For a change B-E Day came in February rather than in October. Faculty members, visiting various businesses on Wednesday, found this to be an enjoyable diversion from daily classes.

Students, on the other hand, did not mind the extra day out of the class rooms.

On February 27 the faculty and student body will welcome the business leaders to observe daily class work.

Annual Fund to Benefit

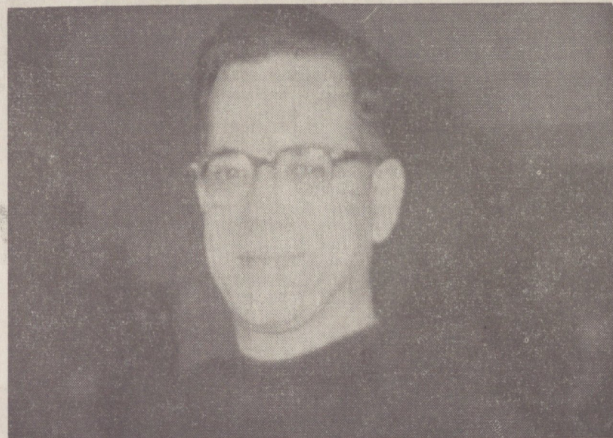
Funds realized from this party will be placed to the benefit of the annual treasury.

Men's Voices Add Beauty

Men's voices add to the beauty of the evening Masses at St. Bonaventure Church. Under the direction of Mr. Louis Rambour, this male choir really should take a bow.

After a day spent at work as business managers, department heads, or other duties, these men finish the day's activity by attending First Friday or holiday evening Mass and receiving holy Communion.

Men's voices have a depth of beauty that cannot be surpassed.



REV. JASON KOMMER, O.F.M.

Students Impress and Edify Retreat Master, Father Jason

Father Jason Kommer, O. F. M., was highly impressed and edified by the spirit of the high school students making the retreat at the end of the first semester of studies.

Works With Mission Band

The retreat master, Father Jason, works with a Franciscan Mission band out of Chicago. The chief work of this band is to sponsor retreats and missions across the mid-west.

Parents Turn Out

A mid-retreat parents' night drew a large crowd of high school fathers and mothers despite inclement weather and the fact that stores were open down town. Father Roch and Father Jason both expressed pleasure at the large turnout and said the success of the parents' night was made possible by the high school students who put in a "plug" at home!

Proves Big Job

Keeping quiet proved a big job

for the effervescent high schoolers. However, after the first morning session, quiet reigned on the western front! Interest never lagged; the many humorous stories brought out the points Father Jason was putting across.

Sodality Conducts Monthly Meeting

A short meeting of the Mystical Rose Sodality was held this past month.

Following the regular procedure, Father Roch opened the meeting with prayer. A thank-you note from the Holy Father was read to the Sodality thanking them for the Christmas Spiritual Bouquet.

In his monthly talk to the Sodality, Father Roch advised them to be faithful to the sodality.



"Mr. Stevens! that terrible thing!" quotes Janet Markytan to Ralph Hadcock, while Mike Micek and Elaine Wieser enjoy the prank.

Seniors Decide 'Orchids to Lori' Will Be 1957 Class Presentation

The senior class will present a three act romantic comedy, "Orchids to Lori", sometime in the near future. The play written by Harold J. Gregory carries a cast of thirteen women and eight men.

Cast Will Have Doubles

A double cast will portray the following characters: Lori Parker, a seventeen year old politician—Elaine Boettcher, Virginia Mimick; Alfred, Lori's sissified boy friend—Ted Pfeifer; Dick Stevens, the mayor's son who is in love with Lori—Joe Woerth; Mavis, the "dumb dora"—Y'vonne Mitera, Roberta Podraza; Josey, a vixen—Margaret Mielak, Pat Wiedel; Cora Parker, the mother—Joan Badstieber, Darlene Bollig; Hilda, a Swedish cook—Marietta Liebig, Kathleen Briggs; Ben Parker, the father—Mike Micek; Sissy Parker, the younger daughter with a collection of unusual pets—Corrine Sebek, Elaine Wieser; Madge Brown, a jealous girl—Janet Markytan; Mr. Stevens, the mayor and Mr. Parker's boss—Ralph Hadcock; Mrs. Sloofenhofer, Eugenia Podraza; Mrs. White, Rose Marie Kellman, Leona Paprocki; Mrs. Finch, Jo Ann Woodworth; Skeeter, the high strung nervous boy—Virgil Liss; Francy, a sweet high school girl—Mary Jane Moser, Marian Skorupa; Barbara, a high school pal—Darlene Wemhoff; Henrietta Bong, the speech teacher—Nancy Beck, Delores Roebuck; Murphy, an Irish cop—Clifford Finkrell, Jim, Eddy and Bugsy,

vigilantes—Salvin Zoucha, Dwayne Johnson, and Gary Hembd; Coca Cola delivery boy—Jack Jones; and the Master of Ceremonies—Dennis Shefcyk.

Plot Fast Moving

The plot is simple, but fast moving. The story is centered about a seventeen year old girl who tricks her father into running for mayor of Beaverbrook. Lori and her school pals try several wild campaign schemes, but each one results in failure. Lori discovers that the ballot boxes were fixed and suspects Mr. Stevens of being crooked. The result brings the play to a climax of excitement and a sudden surprise ending.

Other Seniors Will Help

Behind the scenes, helping the cast to put the play off smoothly will be Rose Mary Siemek and Je Ann Woodworth as the play directors and Betty Wozny and Joni Schaefer, the make-up artists.

Children Canvass Town To Sell Chocolate Bars

Students of St. Bonaventure grade and high schools canvassed the town from January 11 to 25, selling chocolate bars, in order to raise money to equip the new Junior High School.

The chocolate bars, personalized for Saint Bonaventure school, came from the World's Finest Chocolate, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

The goal set, \$1200, was achieved.

Envelopes Carry Message To Give Cheer or Chagrin

Tan envelopes containing as many as seven cards carried a message of cheer or chagrin to the recipients. Semester grades followed the headache of semester examinations.

Connie Leads Frosh

Twelve of the 65 frosh took places in the sun, and resolve to remain in the upper bracket for another nine weeks. Connie Cronin leads in the straight A's followed by Margaret Mrzlak, Marvin Henggeler, Kathy Borer, Jack Odgaard, Mary Kavanaugh, Marlene German, David Kampovitz, Patricia Gregorius, Paul Scharrf, Larry Staroscik, and Pat Keating.

Sophs Boast Twelve

Not to be outdone in honors by the freshmen, the sophomores also claim twelve honor roll members with Norma Liebig, James Schmit, John Scharrf, and Leona Mimick carrying straight A's. Others ranking in the upper bracket: Lenore Nosal, Phyllis Mahoney, Alan Kusek, Kathryn Kuta, Leo Hanus, Kathy Sokol, Joyce Haney, and Jim Thalken.

Juniors Take First

If numbers count, the juniors take first place with thirteen members, having Kathleen Kurtenbach in the lead, followed by Clures Hobbensiefken, Jane and Janet Smith, Dolores Shefcyk, Mary Kay Wozny, Pat Tooley, Tony Kroenke, Paul Langan, Kathy

Shonka, Don Kaminski, Judie Bator and Arda Meysenburg.

Seniors Add All Girls

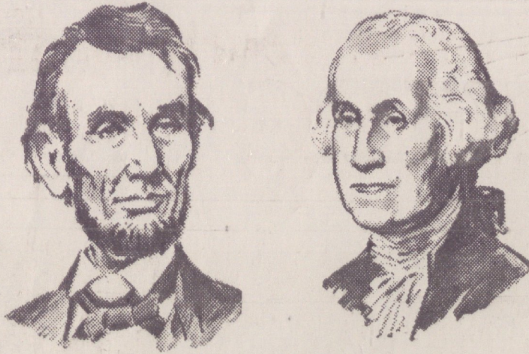
Being the smallest group, the seniors only needed eight names to keep an average representation equal to the other classes. Elaine Boettcher and Elaine Wieser lead the girls' octet in honor achievements. Mary Jane Moser, Darlene Bollig, Nancy Beck, Margaret Mielak, Leona Paprocki, and Eugenia Podraza make it an all girls senior honor roll.

How Did I Get Involved? Algebra II Students Ask

How did I ever get involved in this class is probably a question some of the Algebra II students may be asking themselves! Although the ten girls and boys enjoy the class immensely, especially Father Melchior's jokes, some of the problems really drive them insane. Father Melchior's advice to them in cases like this is, "Go have a chocolate malt!"

All in all Algebra II is proving a very liberal course. With Father's wide knowledge of science, the students not only learn algebra, but a touch of chemistry and physics is often added for flavor. This succeeds in confusing the students only more, but they love it!

Freshmen English Class Choose Ideals



Teenagers Find Models

Of all the idols and heroes that modern day teen-agers admire, there probably never could be any to deserve more emulation than George Washington, The Father of Our Country, and Abraham Lincoln, The Emancipator of the Slaves. These men lead the list of great men for all times.

Washington had much within his reach; Lincoln lived a life of hardships as a boy. Yet, as grown men, they both advocated truth and justice, proving that neither wealth nor poverty were the greatest influences in their lives.

In time of stress, both men stood with their men in battle, not just by them.

Biographies written about these men always praise the greatness of character displayed.

A worthy example for teenagers to follow can be found in these leaders of men.

Joy Found---Win or Lose

First of all, what is sportsmanship? Sportsmanship is conduct becoming to a sportsman, involving honest rivalry, courteous relations, and graceful acceptance of results.

Conduct becoming to a sportsman: Watch that temper! A flare up during a contest does one no good. It only makes one the laughing stock of the crowd and therefore doesn't add importance to the team, the school, the town or the family honors.

Honest rivalry: Clean play constitutes a man's way of participating in a game. A "dirty" player loses the respect of teammates, coach, and rivals.

Courteous relations: To make mistakes is a common happening. Don't elaborate on them. Give a broad smile, a cheering word, and a pat on the back to the offender. These kindly gestures will be remembered.

Graceful acceptance of results: No matter the outcome of the contest, congratulate the opponent. A lot of work goes into each friendly conflict, and no matter the decision a sense of pride will be the rich reward.

Did You Hear . . . Bump Time Arrives

Nancy Boettcher, a recent graduate of St. Bon's, has undertaken a project to keep the members of class of '55 informed of each other's adventures. She has published a mimeographed news paper, *The Grads Ventures*, containing news of each classmate, their addresses, letters from the students and even plans for a reunion in 1960!

Air Force Recruiting Officer, T/Sgt. Paul E. Adams visited the senior boys and girls to tell them about the Air Force and its program. A short film entitled "The First One-Hundred Days" gave the future graduates a good idea of life as Flyboys in this branch of the Armed Forces.

The school library is ever growing! This month many new books in the fields of biography, fiction, literature and modern science have been added. Students taking driver's ed. are especially interested in two new fiction stories portraying safety — *Hot Rod and Street Rod* by Felsen.

Barbara Mitera, '55, is now attending the National School of Aeronautics in Kansas City, Missouri. After finishing the course she will be placed in that branch of service in which she is best suited.

The Bona Venture for 1957 is well under way and if the work continues to move along smoothly, the future owners of this annual may be assured a beautiful book. The last set of pictures and copies will be sent in the first of March and the 1957 Bona Venture will arrive ready for autographing early in the spring.

To amuse the crowd at the half-time of the Grand Island Central Catholic-St. Bon's contest the junior high boys played a short basketball game. This game was a little unusual in that all the boys wore boxing gloves! As might be expected the two referees, Joe Woerth and Allan Kusek, had a hard time keeping the players under control.

Jack Odgaard—I choose Woodrow Wilson as my ideal because he was a man of great intelligence and leadership; a man with a strong, moral, mental and physical foundation. Wilson faced all problems with the greatest of ease and understanding.

I think Woodrow Wilson was an asset to his country as a President.

Virginia Hembd—I have chosen my Dad as my ideal. He generally has a smile on his face, and good words to be spoken, but when the smile has disappeared and words come out in an angry tone of voice, I know that I have offended him in some way. Dad corrects me, and is loyal and lovable as a father should be. I always try to imitate my dad in every way.

Larry Staroseik—My ideal was one of the greatest batsmen in baseball history. He is Lou Gehrig. Besides being one of the greatest athletes of all times Lou was also a great man who showed an extreme desire to play the game he loved. He was a striking example of courage and fortitude. When the chips were down he never gave up and this alone made him an inspirational figure. Because of his sportsmanship, ability, and courage, he is my ideal.

David Melcher—As I sit here and think of all the great people in this world I think of my brother. I would like to be like him because he is kind, understanding, and patient. He also flies a jet, which is something I would enjoy very much. He was a good student all through school as well as an athlete. He is a good guy and I would like to be like him.

Norbert Peterson—General Alfred Gruenther is the kind of man I would like to be. As a young man he studied hard in school and saved money to further his education. General Gruenther is now retired from the service and is devoting his time to helping the Red Cross.

Marvin Henggiel—I find it very exciting to read about my ideal. He was a general in the Second World War, and today Dwight Eisenhower is the president of our United States. "Ike" has worked hard to keep peace between nations. Another reason Eisenhower is so popular is because he helps the farmers very much.

Lois Gablenz—I choose my Mother because her sweet words of kindness are so consoling. Her angry words make me ill at ease because I know I have offended her. I'll try to work just like her, and say the right things at the right times like she does. Mother knows what is best and is hardly ever wrong. She correct me and puts me on the right track. Some day I hope to be as precious to my children as she is to me.

Richard Friedman—What I have heard and read of Chief Sitting Bull makes me believe that he was a very good, just, and wise man.

He was just because he gave his captives a chance for their life; good because he never wanted war, and was usually forced into it. Sitting Bull was wise because he knew how to defeat enemies without much bloodshed.

Barbara Jean Sokol—My ideal should have lived a life of a queen, as she was. But instead, Mary lived a life of poverty, humility, and endurance. She withstood sorrows and pains for the love of God, and watched her only Son be crucified. My admiration for Mary will never cease because she is my spiritual mother as well as the mother of my Creator.

Janet Hilger—Clara Barton helped the poor by means of a nationwide agency for first aid. During the ninety years of her life she did much to promote such an agency. Finally and single handed she or-

ganized the American Red Cross. This was her most valuable contribution to America and for this reason is my ideal.

Margaret Mrzlak—I think the saying, "Deeds and actions speak more than words" is especially true in the relationship between my mother and me. More and more I find myself trying to imitate the characteristics of my mother so that someday, I may follow her footsteps in the profession she was most active—nursing.

I hope that if I choose nursing as my career in the future, I will be capable of following it as my mother.

Bonnie Tells Tales

Rosane Dvorak

To the senior class another girl was added this year in the person of Rosane Dvorak. Rosane hails from Clarkson, Nebr., where she attended high school for three years. Grade school knowledge was acquired at District No. 14.



Rosane, when she has spare time, likes to read and spends time browsing in the library. This hobby, however, does not keep her from being a good student. Science is her favorite subject, but mathematics runs a close second.

Rosane's dislike might cause some controversy since it is Elvis Presley. She gives no reason for this distaste for obvious reasons. (His adoring fans!)

To work in a dress shop constitutes her great ambition for the future. Perhaps modeling will be the outcome.

Jane and Janet Smith



Where there's smoke there's fire and where there's Jane there's Janet, Smith that is. More than once St. Bon's students have done a swift double take, positive they were seeing things. But after getting used to the idea we are glad to see the pretty Smith twins.

Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, who, since the twins were born on September 22, 1940, have probably been the only two people who never get them mixed up. Newcomers to St. Bon's, the twins attended St. Stanislaus Grade School for eight years and Duncan High School for two years.

Jane is the musician of the family and one of her favorite hobbies is playing the piano. Janet has an artistic bent and likes to draw. Ice-skating lends enjoyable pastime to both.

The likes and dislikes of the twins are shared by almost every student here. Jane likes 3:30 P. M., and Janet is very fond of weekends. The common dislike, semester exams, bothers them both.

Both Jane and Janet are very adept in typing and shorthand and plan to use this knowledge as secretaries.

David Kampovitz

David Kampovitz lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kampovitz, on a farm near Shelby, Nebraska. An older brother and younger sister compose the rest of the family. Being a farm boy has certain advantages especially when one's ambition tends toward running a truck garden farm. Living in the country gives David many opportunities to enjoy his hobbies, which include gardening, hunting, and fishing. Another pastime which can be pursued indoors, especially on rainy days, is stamp collecting.



David enjoys going to school and his favorite subjects are Latin and Algebra. This preference explains why David is considering going on to school in the field of advanced mathematics.

Happy Birthday Add Another Candle

February 2	Larry Dischner
9	Robert Beck Clifford Finkral
11	Leona Paprocki Marietta Liebig Alfred Hanus
14	Allan Kusek
15	Joseph Liss
17	Joyce Haney
18	Yvonne Adams
21	George Arasmith Ed Peterson Terrie Sue Cadwallader
24	Pat Liss
25	Bernadine Paprocki
27	Glenn Shonka Geraldine Cockson Don Gablenz

Father Kenneth Conducts Recent Teen-Age Survey

A teen-age survey, conducted by Father Kenneth, was taken recently by 212 of the high school students at St. Bon's.

Purpose Explains Survey
To establish a norm of social conduct for young people of high school age in accordance with the laws of God was the principal reason for this survey. The questionnaire was designed to determine teen-age thinking in regard to dating, going steady, money, use of family car, chaperones, crashing parties, and curfew hours.

Results Show Responsibility
The results of this survey show that the majority of teen-agers are responsible and desire to do what is right, but confusion exists because of the following: (1) Lack of uniformity by individual parents regarding behavior and privileges

of teen-agers; (2) Pressure existing upon parents by their own children because of practices permitted other teen-agers by their parents; and (3) Detrimental effects of "gang" influence.

Situation Differ Today

Teen-agers face situations today which differ greatly from those encountered by the teen-agers of yesterday. A plentitude of money, world tension, pleasure-mad desire, and the years of Arm'd Service confronting the boys add up to a restless and unsettled environment. Boys and girls are dating younger and more are going "exclusive" steady. The divorce rate has soared.

Concluding Survey

In conclusion of this survey, Father Kenneth encourages group activities, cooperation of the parents with youth activities, and planned recreational programs. He advises family meetings and chats and frequent reception of the sacraments.

ABC's Describe Bonnites

Ambitious—Clues Hobbensiefken
Bashful—Mary Hilger
Colorful—Kathy Shonka
Darling—Jane Byrnes
Energetic—Judy Pillen
Frank—Eugenia Podraza
Generous—Mary Kay Wozny
Handy—Jo Woodworth
Imaginative—Bernie Paprocki
Juvenile—Virginia Hembd
Kind—Margaret Mrzlak
Lively—Judy Bator
Merry—Pat Wiedel
Noticeable—Joyce Haney
Original—Lea Markhofer
Pretty—Mary Jane Moser
Quiet—Kathy Kurtenbach
Romantic—Yvonne Adams
Studious—Connie Cronin
Truthful—Joan Badstieber
Unconcerned—Melba Koci
Vivacious—Terry Sue Cadwallader
Wimsical—Jane Woodworth
X-tra nice—Marian Skorupa
Youthful—Karen Fouts
Zany—Virginia Mimick

Attentive—Tony Kroenke
Boisterous—Jim Gregorius
Calm—Dennis Shefyck
Daring—George Arasmith
Eager—Larry Minette
Fresh—Joe Woerth
Gallant—Pat Tooley
Handsome—Lyman Andreas
Impish—Tommy Watkins
Jovial—Mike Micek
Knightly—Jim Thalken
Likeable—Bill McAuliff
Masterful—Paul Langray
Noisy—Jim Bothe
Optimistic—Dick Sansoni
Personable—Larry Staroseik
Quick—Ron Kudron
Rowdy—Duane Blahak
Sincere—Jerry Braun
Tough—Don Kaminski
Useful—Ralph Hadcock
Vigorous—Jim Jarecki
Witty—Bill Reuss
X-tra small—Jack Jones
Yapper—Ray Syslo
Zealous—Alfred Hanus

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Name	Nickname	Favorite Subject	Favorite Pastime	Favorite Song	Best Pal	Pet Peeve	Ambition
Joan Badstieber	Joni	Shorthand	Riding around	Honky Tonk	"Boxer"	Waiting for people	College
Nancy Beck	Nan	Physics	Garry	Young Love	Garry	Flat tires	Learn to ice skate
Elaine Boettcher	E. E.	Journalism	Horsebackriding	Star-O	"Buttons"	Algebra II	To be a social worker
Mike Micek	Mike	Mechanical Drawing	Sports	Teenage Goodnight	Darlene	Gripping at games	Go on to college
Y'Vonne Mitera	Bwauna	Physics	Talking	I Walked the Line	Len	Having to hurry	To go on a safari
Patricia Wiedel	Poddy	Bookkeeping	Playing piano	Young Love	Harriet Hunter	Easter-egg cars	Music career
Elaine Wieser	Little Wieser	Literature	Swimming and reading	Banana Boat Song	Everybody	Hard ice	Be a nurse
Rosemarie Kellman	Kelly	Journalism	Laughing	Don't Forbid Me	Carolyn Clark	TV commercials	Be a stenographer
Judie Bator	Bates	Latin III	Dancing and eating	Paralyzed	Skip	Coffee-cup ash trays	Be a Latin teacher
Geraldine Cockson	Gerry	Typing	Playing clarinet	Young Love	Bill	Interruptions	To be a nurse
Tony Kroenke	Tony	Science	Eating	Love Me	Dick Sansoni	Working	Take it easy
Arda Meysenburg	Art	American History	Skating	Jamaica Farewell	Kathy, Mary, Pat	Rodding around	Secretarial work
Dick Sansoni	Dick	Religion	Eating	Good-night My Love	Tony Kroenke	Studying	Pro-basketball player
Delores Shefcyk	Little Pud	Shorthand	Goofing off	Love Me	Jerry	Green letters	To go on a safari
Mary Kay Wozny	Mic	Latin III	Ice skating	Jamaica Farewell	Kathy and Arda	Gas moochers	Phys Ed teacher

Shamrock Shenanigans

What's this we hear about Sister Raynaria passing out vitamin pills to some of the seniors! Nothing like more energy to help keep you awake during classes! Ask the seniors!

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If you ever need a push getting out of snowy parking places just call on Ted Pfeifer. Pat Wiedel finds his assistance most helpful.

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Sister Cyril: "Is Jo W. still going with Ken S?"

Pat W.: "Oh, no! That was ten boys ago."

* M *

If anyone wants any information on rare, delicate flowers, just contact Mrs. Herrod. She has quite a collection of rare, delicate flowers in the senior room.

* M *

Besides going to school, Jim J. has taken on an extra-curricular activity assisting the warden at the Pen in Lincoln. (What's this business, Jim?)

* M *

Typed on a letter received by Pat W.:
Postman, Postman do your duty,
Deliver this note,
To an Alcatraz beauty. (?)

* M *

S. R. (discussing class play):
"And what part do you have Betty?"

Betty W.: "I'm make-out director!" (Don't you mean make-up director, Betty?)

* M *

Three scrubwomen have been added to the janitor staff at St. Bon's. They excel in cleaning blackboards and dusting woodwork. Just call on Pat, Rosie or Elaine for any help you may need.

* M *

Mr. Van Ackeren over P. A. system: "Band people don't forget to come dressed tonight."

* M *

Sign seen in a repair shop:
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And Save Their Soles.

* M *

A new fad has hit the freshmen class. The houses of 1967 are being erected—on paper of course. Some students' living rooms are equipped with pool tables, slot machines, miniature golf courses, and swimming pools. These styles would make today's decorators wonder about tomorrow.

Small Fry Quips . . .

After noting the look of disapproval on dad's face, Leo Kowalski III, said: "You shouldn't be disterpointed in me dad, but in Sister Frances, because she gave me those grades on my report card."

After viewing a stuffed alligator, passed around the class, a little first grade boy remarked: "Sister, you're just kidding us, that's not a real alligator that's made from billfolders."

Species Roam Campus

Long, long ago a peculiar species of mankind roamed the campus of St. Bonaventure High School—the seniors of 1957. This particular group of human beings is of special interest to us living today because of their eccentric way of living. They are now extinct because of the late hours they kept, the many hard hours of study they put in, and from too much riding around on Sunday afternoons.

An extensive investigation is being carried on so that the lives of these students may be made known and better understood. The years they spent at St. Bon's were happy-go-lucky ones, filled with the joys of doing their lessons, of rising early in the morning for band practice, of keeping silence in the study halls, and always being wide-awake for classes. This group of supposedly normal seniors of the 1957 period had many idiosyncrasies which we have found prevalent among the human beings of these ages. Loud talking and singing are noted as some of their favorite eccentric habits, while coming late for classes and eating all the time deserve mention. Chewing gum, having parties, talking "old country talk," and always being broke are just a few more.

The motto of this great class of students was "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow Mrs. Herrod will have another English test!"

Bonnies Agenda Ventures To Come

February

- 4—Youth Center Meeting
- 6—Business Education Day
- 5-8—Stanton "B" Tournament
- 11—Youth Center Meeting
- 12—Choral Clinic
- 12—Lincoln's Birthday
- 12—Omana, St. Joseph's there
- 13—Sweethearts Dance
- 14—Valentine's Day
- 15—Seward, Concordia, there
- 18—Youth Center Meeting
- 22—Washingtons Birthday
- 22—Clarkson, there

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Sister Mary Eva, O.S.F.

God, God! calls the soul in flashing light,
God, God! she moans in lowering night,
God, God! whisper winds light, playful, strong,
Their refrain is vigintillian birds' glad song.

God, God! roar descending avalanches of snow

God, God! rumble myriad streams as seaward they go.

God, God! sibilantly swishes all waves' foamy crest,
Groaning, gleaming sandslip as they roll to rest.

God, God! shouts the resounding reverberating thunder,

God, God! rebounding echoes chant in awestruck wonder.

God, God, rhythmically thobs my measuring full-heart beat,
God, God! in Thee, with Thee is all life complete.

O Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Spirit,
Help me to realize—

That You are Infinite Power;
That You are Infinite Goodness;
That You are Infinite Love;

Help me to think—
How I should please You if I were big enough in mind,

To see no slights;
To accept no insults;
To cherish no jealousies;

To admit into my heart no hatred;
Help me to know—

That no one can love my enemy but me;

That I cannot envy and really produce;

That I cannot hate and really acquire;

Triune God, let me live in You!

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Joan Gregorius '54
Sharon Hosher '56
Norma Irwin '56
Rosemary Irwin '53
Sheila McGowan '54
Barbara Mitera '55
Julene Pfeifer '53
Lorraine Pickhinke '55
Pat Selleck
Rita Simons '55
Frances Valasek '56

Jim Beller, Lindsay
Charles Kosinski, Cedar Rapids
Dick Tooley '53
Jack Johnson '55
Richard Saxer, Plattsmouth
Rudy Brunkhorst
Tom Loisel, West Point
John Woerth '55
Lou Meisenbach, Lincoln
Bob Luchten, Carroll, Ia.
Jim Hosher '54
Darwin Meister, Omaha
Jack Ernst

Mitera-Hanus to Complete Home Scientific Project

Y'Vonne Mitera and Alfred Hanus will soon complete the scientific projects in construction at home. Both Y'Vonne and Alfred are building Wilson Cloud Chamber, but each in a different manner. Y'Vonne's chamber will be based on the condensing of air through temperature differences, and Alfred's will be on the sudden air expansion theory.

Essays Will Be Judged

Each of the two seniors have written essays of 1,000 words on "My Scientific Project" to be judged in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. Along with the essays and projects, Y'Vonne and Alfred tried their skill in science on a three hour scholarship exam. This exam, sent out by the Westinghouse firm, will make the students eligible for a five day trip to Washington, D. C., if they are ranked among the top forty contestants. In Washington, another competitive exam will decide the \$4,000 scholarship recipient.

Many to Participate

According to figures of previous years, the estimated number to participate this year is 35,000 persons within the age limit of high school seniors to 30 years. All these persons will be awaiting the door to a scientific career to open to them through exams or competitive contests such as the Westinghouse people offer.

Building Log

December 7-15 — Work on south wall continued, Foundation laid for north wall. Pipes brought out.

December 15-31 — Beams put across top of structure, Eastern and northern cement sections laid. Lumber hauled to site.

January 1-5 — Work begun on east wall. New north wall cuts street view from science lab. Theme song of science students becomes "Don't Fence Me In." Snow storms prevents brick-laying, cement work of any kind, and in general no more work on the new building until balmy breezes blow again.

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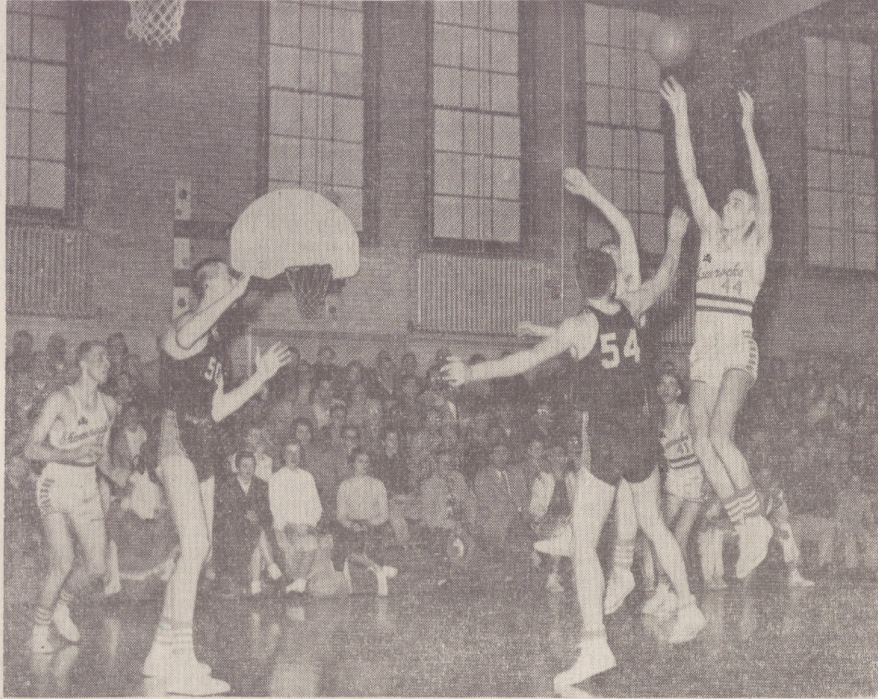
Retaining a lead acquired early in the game, the Irish downed Fullerton 65-54, to pick up a second win.

Dennis Shefcyk was top scorer with 24 points, followed by Tony Kroenke with 16, George Arasmith 14, and Ted Pfeifer with 10.

St. Bon's had a 16-9 first quarter edge and led by a 28-23 score at the half. After the half, Fullerton cut the margin 7 points, but Kroenke hit one and Shefcyk and Arasmith helped widen the gap.

Kroenke's shot with 1:20 remaining iced the game with the score 59-54.

With Mike Micek sidelined by illness, Pat Tooley did a good job aided by LeRoy Hamling and Don Kaminski.



Dennis Shefcyk fires a jump shot in Friday night's St. Bonaventure-Howells thriller, which went to the home team by a 60-56 margin. Others in the picture are Tony Kroenke of St. Bonaventure, far left, Dave Wragge of Howells, Joe Molacek, (No. 54) and another unidentified Howells player, partially hidden, and Pat Tooley of the Irish (No. 41). — Courtesy Columbus Daily Telegram.

Shamrocks Notch Victory

Coming from behind after the first quarter, the Shamrocks notched a third straight victory at the expense of Blair.

Dennis Shefcyk led scoring honors with 29 points followed by Pat Tooley with 13, Tony Kroenke with 10, and Ted Pfeifer 8. George Arasmith showed a good defensive game.

Led by Jerry McCay, the Bears went to a 16-11 first quarter lead.

Another hot streak by Kroenke, who found his range again, and aided by Shefcyk put the green and white to a 25-22 halftime advantage.

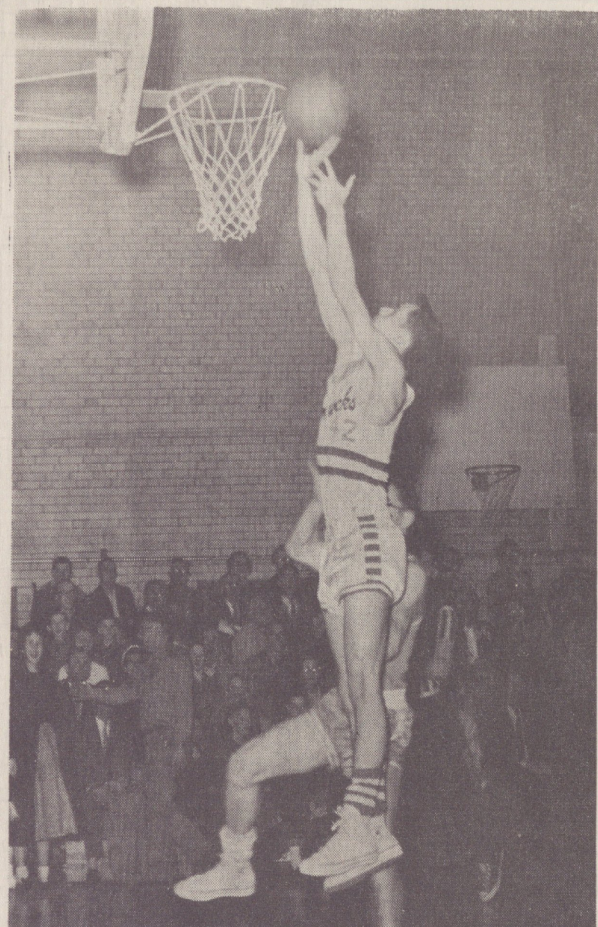
Both teams scored effectively in the third quarter but the Shamrocks outpointed the Bears by 3 points.

With Tooley helping with a fielder and three necessary free-throws, the Shamrocks picked up their third win.

Ted Pfeifer Receives Lincoln Journal Award

St. Bonaventure Ace, Ted Pfeifer, received The Lincoln Journal's Prep Basketball Player of the Week award and led all other state prep performances for that week.

Ted was awarded this honor on the fine steady play showed in the decisive last quarter of the Howells-St. Bon's game. Pfeifer hit 10 points in the last quarter to salvage the 60-56 win and to break the Howells' 11 game winning streak.



Ted Pfeifer makes jump shot to boost score against Grand Island, Central Catholic. — Courtesy The Columbus Telegram.

Costello's Quintet Sets Scoring Record

St. Bonaventure set a single-game school scoring record by defeating Grand Island Central Catholic 86-63.

Coach Bob Costello's Irish out hustled and out shot the taller rivals. The Crusaders trailed 23-47 at half. Although they came to life the second half, the Bonnie's lead was much too great.

Dennis Shefcyk paced the home team with 27 points and led in rebounding. He was backed by Tony Kroenke who had 18, Pat Tooley with 17, Ted Pfeifer 16, and George Arasmith scoring eight. The Irish hit 30 out of 41 at the charity line.

George Borowski led the losers with 23 points and Jim Keefer had 10. Central Catholic hit only 13 for 34 at the gift line.

St. Bonaventure jumped into an early lead, and two baskets by Pfeifer along with a pair of free throws by Shefcyk gave the Irish a 22-14 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Baskets by Tooley and Shefcyk and two free shots by Kroenke gave the Shamrocks a 28-13 lead before Central Catholic dented the scoring column. The Irish out scored the visitors 25-10 the second canto.

In the third period the home team showed a 21-18 edge, where as the Crusaders took a 22-20 margin in the closing quarter.

The reserves lost to the hosts 59-44, in which Don Gablenz had 12 points for the young Irish.

First Quarter Rally Gives Host Victory

A blasting first quarter score sent Holy Name to victory over the fighting Irish 53-36.

The score at the first quarter was 25-8, but the rest of the game was on even terms. Action started evenly at 6-6 when the Rambler splurge came. The Ramblers picked up 19 points to the Shamrock's 2.

Tony Kroenke hit a hot streak in the second period, but the Ramblers were equal to the task.

Shefcyk's shooting and rebounding enabled the Shamrocks to outscore the Ramblers 11-7 in the third period. Bonnie's hopes for a win were lost when the Ramblers played to stall the final quarter.

Shefcyk had 17 points and Kroenke 12. St. Bon's having a 6-6 record play host to Grand Island Catholic the 29.

Bonnies Hold 4-2 Record

Some bad ball-handling during the first half play was a major factor in the Shamrock's loss, and resulted to Wayne's sixth victory in a row. This also gave St. Bonaventure a 4-2 record.

Tony Kroenke, sparkling junior forward, was the bright spot in the Shamrock play with 24 points.

Wayne took an early lead in the game and ran up a 18-12 first quarter score. After an 18 point splurge by the Blue Devils and 14 for the Bonnies, the half time score was 36-26.

After the Shamrocks started rolling in the third quarter they narrowed Wayne's lead 6 points, but the hot Schworzenback put on the pressure for the 72-64 win for Wayne.

Loopsters Outscore Undefeated Howells

Bob Costello's determined, hustling Irish defeated Howells, who were taller and more experienced. The victory broke a 4 game losing streak for the Shamrocks and ended the 11 game winning streak for the visitors.

Although Dennis Shefcyk led his teammates with 24 points, it was a team victory. Joe Molacek paced the Bobcats with 20 points.

Even a pressing man to man defense could not stop the spirited Irish. Twice in the game St. Bon's held a six point lead, 25-19 in the second quarter and 32-26 early in the third quarter, but this was by no means a safe lead. The Bobcats came storming back and held a 43-42 lead in the final canto. Shefcyk made 5 straight points to put the Irish on top to stay, and Ted Pfeifer sparked the Irish in the closing minutes netting 10 points for the Shamrocks good. The Bobcats came up twice in the last quarter to tie the game 47-47 and 48-48. The entire game kept the Shamrock's largest crowd on edge and bedlam broke loose when Pfeifer sank two free throws to "cinch" the game.

The final whistle blew with the score standing at 60-56 and the Irish victorious.

St. Francis Edge Irish

Irish edged 70-69 by St. Francis in one of the wildest basketball games of the season. This included 37 personal fouls, 21 on the Irish, two technical fouls and the ejection of a St. Bonaventure player.

The game was a see-saw affair from the opening jump until the final gun. Without the aid of three of the top five in the last quarter, the Irish couldn't quite make it.

Kroenke led the Irish with 24 points while Van Dyke gained 18 for St. Francis.

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Vocation month brings out in clearer focus the various vocations or callings that attract. To call special attention to life's offerings, the journalism editors portray different walks of life.

Joan Badstieber, religious; Nancy Beck, marriage; Elaine Boettcher, social worker; Mike Micek, religious; Y'Vonne Mitera, research; Elaine Weiser, nurse; Pat Wiedel, office executive and Rose Marie Kellman, secretary.

Each of these fields play an important part in this modern day and life. Each one plays a leading role.

To the Priest . . .

belongs the greatest call. In becoming an *Alter Christus* a young man puts aside all worldly ways, and gives himself up entirely to the

service of God, His Church, and his fellowman.

The priest carries out Christ's work here on earth by saying holy Mass, by preaching and teaching the Word of God, by anointing the dying, and by administering the other sacraments. A priest's big task consists in being a good Shepherd of souls—helping the good to become better, and leading the stray lambs back into the fold.

Much work of a business nature arises because of the duties of keeping a parish operating smoothly and efficiently.

In the performance of all these duties, happiness is the reward even though the life is not an easy one.

keen competition prevails because the ladies entered the field.

Communication facilities make for easy contact between home and office; electrical appliances take away housework drudgery thus providing ample leisure hours; attractive office furnishings give added allure; in fact, the entire way of life has changed in favor of the ladies.

The saying: "It's a woman's world" gives the assurance that the woman executive will remain in the field to continue to give to

earliest forms of social work became organized to aid the needy. Now, many different fields are offered — public assistance and welfare, family service, child welfare, school, medical and psychiatric social work.

Like all professions, social work makes demands upon its practitioners—demands of formal education, continuous study and growth, self-discipline, and high ethical standards.

All walks of life . . .

in some way become affected by new inventions in machines or discoveries in chemistry. But the demand for workers in this field exceeds comprehension. The demand for research workers in science covers every field from industry to truck gardening. The reason for the small number of people now engaged in this field cannot be laid to schooling difficulties, to the lack of scholarships available, to the length of training, but rather to the fact that people just aren't interested enough in the welfare or future of the country to look to science for the answers.

It only takes four years of college to attain a Bachelor of Science degree and from there the possibilities of advancement are unlimited.

That big day . . .

when attired in a gorgeous gown of chantilly lace with a long train and finger tip veil, carries an undecipherable allure for teenagers and anyone contemplating marriage as a goal in life.

This state continues to be the most desired and most followed.

Vocation Month Stresses Life's Offerings

Many joys and much sorrow will continue to be part and parcel of this vocation, but all entering it and faithfully keeping these vows will reap a rich reward.

Nursing offers . . .

many different and interesting phases of activity. Among them are medical and surgical nursing, nutrition, pediatric nursing, maternity nursing, and psychiatric nursing.

Because of the great need of young men and women in the medical field, students interested in medicine can usually obtain financial aid, if necessary, in the form of scholarships and students loans.

To become a registered nurse requires 1730 hours of study, the equivalent of three years of study. To receive a Bachelor of Science degree one or two more years of study are necessary, depending on the school attended.

Science Research?



Y'VONNE MITERA

Mr. Wolever Announces Drivers' Ed Teen Club

"To test skill in driving, a Teen Club will give impetus to this class," announced Mr. Wolever. "Contests in safe driving, not speedy driving, will give all something to work toward," added the teacher further.

Taking a poll for a contest committee ended with Judy Tylle, Jane Holys, Virgil Liss, Dwayne Johnson, Katherine Kurtenbach, and Diane Kosiba holding the reins. And specific duties for each will be to take charge of an assignment, (to be given later) and to schedule an event.

An activities chairman for the girls and one for the boys finds representation in Judy Bator and Ralph Haddock respectively.

Members of drivers' ed come under one of three classification: beginners, intermediate, or advanced drivers.

Social Worker?



ELAINE BOETTCHER

the men that rivalry so beneficial to keeping everyone on the alert.

Business offices . . .

could not run smoothly and efficiently without the alert secretary of today. Executives depend on the secretary for the proper execution of hundreds of details which heretofore burdened employers.

Advancing further, the secretary is not only a typist or receptionist, but becomes a source of information and a coordinator of business inside and out of the company. The modern secretary is a vital asset to the business office.

A recent issue of THE BALANCE SHEET carries a picture of an office force with the caption: "Look, the boss has a woman writing his letters." That was yesteryear. Today the LADY SECRETARY is an integral part of the business.

Social work begins . . .

with a concern for people. From the very earliest times, even though men fought and quarreled, concern for each others welfare and a great capacity for helping one another was always shown.

Poverty was the first and most obvious of man's difficulties to attract attention, and hence the

Marriage?



NANCY BECK

Rhythmic Typing Offers Allure On New IBM's

Rhythmic typing offers a new allure when 'tized done on a new IBM. This surprise in mid-term came through the generosity of Rev. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., superintendent of St. Bonaventure High. Father never permits anything new to pass that will increase the efficiency of students attending St. Bons.

Light green machines, replacing the gray tones of the former typewriters in use, give a brighter aspect to the classroom. Students privileged to use the machines first make various commendatory statements as: "I wouldn't change to another machine for anything!" "When will there be a free machine for me to use?" Others comment as follows: "One saves time in typing on an IBM "With electricity doing the work, typing is so much easier!" "May the journalism class type first copy for 'The Venture' on the electric?"

Executive positions . . .

can be filled by ladies just as efficiently as by men. That never could have happened just a few short years ago! Today a spirit of

Building Log

January 15-31 — Temporary roofing set up to permit work inside of building. Work on wall continued.

Miscellaneous jobs require work inside of building.

February 1-15 — North walls completed. Hallway connecting Junior High and Senior High completed. Additional concrete work completed.

February 15-28 — Cement sidewalk poured. Windows put in new building. Roofing completed. Powder rooms finished with tile. Sisters choose latest pastel colors for interior of new building. South doors put in. Entranceway facing south completed. Some plaster work done in hallway.

March 1-15 — Secret goings on in the interior. Fine touches here and there will soon give a finished building for students to share.

(To Be Continued)

GUEST EDITORIAL
Father Kenneth Schlessler, O.F.M.

No Candy! No Shows!

"Hi Bill, what are you going to do for Lent?"

Most answers to this question would be to give up candy and/or stop going to movies. Both are good forms of PENANCE. However, the Church, although encouraging such practices, is much more interested in promoting MORTIFICATION.

Generally speaking "PENANCE" is external (like giving up candy). Whereas MORTIFICATION is internal (like practicing obedience). The external is only a means to strengthen the will. A strong will, will help the Christian to practice virtue and overcome temptation. Mortification, as can readily be seen, is more direct. It deals with the will immediately. It is an actual exercise of the will, hence more effective. Further, it offsets the accusation that a person practices PENANCE all right, but continues to commit sin.

The BEST object to "give-up" during Lent is SIN. Check that disobedience, that improper language, that uncharitable conversation, that anger and impatience! Pull in the reins on that "pet-sin"! PRACTICE VIRTUE—like charity, patience, respect, self-control, responsibility. But whether you concentrate on overcoming sin or practicing virtue be sure to use the means to accomplish both. The main means are—Daily Mass (on time), frequent Communion, and Confession. Extra Prayers (said devoutly) and Church Services (Stations and Wednesday night sermons) can also be put in your Lenten schedule.

Why PENANCE? Why MORTIFICATION? The LOVE of God and THANKSGIVING for having suffered for us (as shown in the Passion) should be the basic motives. As also REPARATION (for your past sins) and APPRECIATION to Christ should prompt you on.

Only a Reminder

Lent in a special manner reminds all to meditate on Christ's passion, death, and glorious resurrection. It is a special time to spend in fighting against three of the greatest enemies: the world, the flesh, and satan.

Christ does the heaviest fighting, but the Church offers the weapons of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as unending helps.

To be victorious in the battle, the attack must be well-planned and carefully executed at home, abroad, and in Church.

At home, all can gather around the family altar for the Lenten devotions on evenings when there are no Church services.

In Church, the devout attendance at Holy Mass and the reception of Holy Communion by each member of the family will be most helpful.

Finally, unite all Lenten sacrifices with the sacrifice of Christ as a true member of the Mystical Body.

Bonnies Find Shakespeare

"The quality of mercy is not strained. It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven upon the place beneath." Have you heard any of the freshman mumbling passages of Shakespeares lately? It's possible. Sister Leonella's freshman class has undertaken "The Merchant of Venice" in literature. Various students, portraying the roles, have proved equally humorous and interesting.

Those who scorned the idea of studying Shakespeare at first had to admit he is a rather pleasant character with brilliant ideas at that. Why, even the love scenes are thrilling. But more than that the freshman discovered Shakespeare and Shakespeare found us.

Atoms Become Large

Don't be too surprised to hear the general science students using new words just introduced in class. Some catching attention include: nucleolus, proton, electron, cyclotron and other terms pertaining to the science of the atom.

Finding out what makes an atom tick was a new and different experience for most of the group. Why, one of the members even came up with a logical method of disposing of radioactive wastes! Most of the class found it hard; it doesn't seem possible that such an infinitesimal object could be so complicated. However, most students agreed that further study of the atom would be interesting.

Bonnies Agenda Events Acomin'

- March
- 4—District Constitution Contest at Wahoo.
- 4—Assembly for seniors, Dean MacDonald Speaker from Norfolk Junior College.
- 5—Assembly for junior and senior boys, Speaker, Army Reserve Officer.
- 5—Movie, "War and Peace."
- 6—Ash Wednesday.
- 15—Close of C. D. A. Poetry Contest.
- 17—St. Patrick's Day.
- 17—Style Show, Armory Hall.
- 21—Feast of St. Joseph.
- 24—"Vocation Day" in Omaha.

Happy Birthday Add Another Candle

- March
- 1 David Melcher
- 5 Lorraine Paprocki
- 9 Leroy Seiler
- 11 Madonna Kaus
- 11 Nick Wheeler
- 11 Barbara Bonk
- 12 Norma Liebig
- 14 Mary Ellen Minette
- 14 Janet Sliva
- 15 Virginia Hembd
- 15 Shirley Miller
- 16 Betty Jane Markytan
- 21 Robert Hanke
- 21 Dennis Daley
- 22 Dorothy Peterman
- 24 Catherine Huhman
- 28 William Schuele
- 29 Elaine Blahak

Class Routine Break Gives Students Joy

A break from the regular routine of school was enjoyed by the junior high and high school students when given the afternoon off to see the movie "War and Peace".

Tolstoy's great panorama of Russian gaiety, love, and war, tells of the historic duel between the French emperor, Napoleon, and the Russian Czar, Alexander I. The three and a half hour movie revolves around Nastasha (Audrey Hepburn), her lover, Andre; (Mel Ferrer) and the mystic-minded Pierre (Henry Fonda).

Get Busy!

Hurry! no time to lose. Get out those pens and pencils, buy yourself a ream of paper. The Poetry Contest is here again. This is a time of locked doors, stuffed keyholes and plenty of cokes. A time when all the Shakespeares' and Longfellows' show hidden talent. Be sure to have a typewriter, waste basket, and plenty of erasers handy because they will be needed.

Although it is not a celebrated holiday or really anything special to anyone but the contestants, the teenagers at St. Bonaventure really take pride in trying to write a good poem or having the honor of winning a prize.

Can You Imagine?

Dick Sansoni six foot four,
Rosie Siemek being a bore!
Mary Kay Wozny not being a clown,
Mary Ellen Minette wearing a frown!
Francis Krzycki not taking a dare,
Yvonne Adamy with red curly hair!
Margaret Mielak disliked by all,
Bob Augustine not roaming the hall!
Gary Hembd with tiny feet,
Kathleen Sokol not being sweet!
Delores Shefcyk without a tan,
Janet Markytan without her man!

Virginia Mimick not able to act,
Ed Peterson not being a cat!
Virgil Liss awake in class,
Joe Woerth not throwing a pass!
Mike Micek - Darlene Wemhoff ever alone,
Judie Bator talking in low sweet tones!

Jerry Braun without a line,
Lea Markhofer ever feeling fine!
Lenore Nosal not wanting to perform.

Al Jarecki willing to reform!
Jim Thalke ever getting sore,
Teen-age boy not banging a door!
Margaret Mrzlak not being nice,
Judy Tylee with a couple of dice!
Elaine Boettcher ever on time,
George Arasmith not borrowing a dime!

Joan Badstieber not riding around,
Pat Wiedel not making a sound!
Ted Pfeifer without his car,
Connie Cronin's grades below par!

Don Kaminski without a remark,
Jim Bator not having a lark!
Dennis Shefcyk not being tall,
Maureen Micek not on the ball!

Shamrock Shenanigans

Question in senior literature test: What physical defect did the Wife of Bath have? Answer: Her hips were too large!

* M *
Sister R.—"All right, students. Take your places. The door has rung!"

* M *
Mr. V.A.—"I have to go to Kram for a date!" (About what, now?)

* M *
Congratulations to all the seniors on their fine performance in "Orchids to Lori". It was a grand success!

* M *
Anyone interested in having their hair cut and styled cheaply? Just call on Joe W. He did an excellent job on Rosie S.'s hair!

* M *
E.B.—"I wish I had a sucret for my sore throat."

* M *
P.W.—"I wish I had a cigarette too!"

* M *
Francis calls of "Wiedel, Wiedel, you're on!" discovered Pat under the piano on stage trying to prompt? the other students!

* M *
Pud S.—"Them two bonus questions really helped me."

* M *
Mrs. H.—"Them two?"

* M *
Pud S.—"Yep, them really did!"

* M *
Memories of the senior class play were auctioned off to all claimants. Such lost items as a picture of Jimmy Dean, pair of black pants, a white can-can, red tie, and Seventeen magazines were returned to rightful owners!

* M *
What's the mystery of the drawn shades in the freshmen room? Could Mr. Wolever be showing pictures, to the deserving freshmen?—or otherwise?

* M *
Echoes of laughter resound in seventh period study hall. It's nothing more than Father Kenneth's freshman history class in back of the stage! Father's humor is just too much for the little freshies!

* M *
Virgil L.—(reading in religion)—"We must be careful not to indulge in the "useful" waste of money!"

* M *
What are the sweet words Pud S. has been whispering in the ears of Joe W.? (Could a new romance be blooming?)

A March of Facts

March presents a month filled with historical facts and happenings. On each day of the week a commemoration of some incident in the history of America takes place.

On Sunday, March 3, in 1847, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone and Florida was admitted to the Union two years previously.

On Monday, March 4, in 1888, Knute Rockne, a famous Notre Dame football player, was born and on Monday, March 25, 1867, Toscanini, a great Italian conductor, was born.

On Tuesday, March 12, in 1789, the United States Post Office was established by Congress and in 1912, the Girl Scouts of America came to be.

On Wednesday, March 13, in 1884, standard time was established in the United States.

On Thursday, March 7, in 1849, Luther Burbank, American plant breeder, was born.

On Saturday, March 30, 1867, Alaska was purchased from Russia.

Other personages have anniversaries during the days of March, but the above-mentioned ones might revive a few historical events.

Money! Money!

Money, money, money, sounds the everlasting cry, especially to seniors in high school. To help finance a senior class project—a trip for sneak week—the group decided to throw a chicken feed.

"I'll bring French fries," shouted a half dozen simultaneously. "Let the donation from this gang be cole slaw and deviled eggs," countered as many girls. Offerings of jello salad, apple pie a la mode, dinner rolls, and fried chicken soon completed the planned menu.

However, the sister moderator noted one name missing from the list of donors. Finally this question was put to the silent onlooker. "Manuel, what will be your contribution?" "Oh, sister, I'll bring a great big, heavy hen. You can depend on me!"

Come the day for food preparation. All volunteer donations showed up in good measure except that big, heavy hen from Manuel. Sister said: "Manuel, you promised so faithfully and with such a loud voice to bring a big, heavy hen. Where is it?" "Please, sister, I forgot. But may I go now to get it?"

Within half an hour Manuel returned, offering sister a scrawny looking fowl. "Manuel, where is that big, heavy hen you bragged about bringing?" "Well, gee whiz, sister, that is the only hen I could run down in half an hour."

Fun Found

Sum laetus quoque cepi Latinam. That means "I am happy because I took Latin". At first I thought Latin was miserable, but now it is fun. I like to conjugate verbs and decline nouns. Learning a new language is not very difficult, once you catch on to it. Our class is pretty large, but, Sister Rayneria can still get us all in. Our assignments are usually one or two pages long. The hardest thing for me in Latin is learning the Perfect endings. It always happens when I know an answer I never get called on, but the minute I don't know one, Sister calls my name. But, all in all, Latin is fun. So I would say anyone debating whether to take Latin or not. Take it!

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Bonnie Features Liebigs

Marietta Liebig . . .

transferred to St. Bon's for the last year of high school life.

"Since February 11, I'm 17" she quotes. "Riding the bus to school each morning, causes one to be an early riser, but meeting all the friendly folks at St. Bon's makes up for those 50 extra winks lost each A. M., when sleeping is such a pleasure."

In class work, Marietta states preference for modern problems and secretarial training.

Popular music, dancing, and reading afford pleasurable after school time amusement, and letter writing together with candid camera shots add to the hobbies enjoyed.

Mark Liebig . . .

claims Columbus as home town, and Platte Center home by adoption.

As a junior in high school, Mark takes delight in classes of craft, history, and drivers' ed. Training horses keeps this son of the sod busy after study time is over.

Believe it or not, but a first vote for likes at St. Bonaventure High goes to the good teachers! But, the dislike came in the loss of a well-kept ducktail hair do. (Poor Mark!)

"When I get going, after high school, says Mark, "I'll be a RODEO contractor."

Norma Liebig . . .

sings a song of straight A's. This tune continues in extra-curricular activities. No assignment is too difficult for mastery. Platte Center High's loss spells gain for St. Bon's.

What does 16 year old Norma like best about St. Bon's? "Free-days" is the reply! Dislikes? Geometry tests! English and history are the favorite subjects.

Dancing and listening to KOWH are musts with Norma. Playing the piano, swimming, and skating also keep this sophie busy.

Lois Liebig . . .

also hails from Platte Center town. St. Joseph's provided the fundamentals in education.

At present, much time is spent studying history and Latin, favorite subjects.

Piano playing and dancing include the firsts for amusement, and ice skating, roller skating and swimming round out the hobby schedule.

When asked about likes and dislikes this frosh said: "I especially like the Bonnie kids, and there exists no dislikes."

Dancers Pay Attention When Dennis Shefcyk Makes Announcement

Master of Ceremonies, Dennis Shefcyk, held the attention of the dancers with this announcement: "Ted Pfeifer, receive the King of Hearts crown, and give like honor to the Queen of Hearts, Darlene Wemhoff. To Virginia Mimick and Clifford Finkral go first attendant honors. Joan Badstieber and Virgil Liss take second honors."

The youth center, aglow with colorful lights, red hearts and streamers, truly gave a valentine spirit to all present. Occupying a place of honor, the thrones too carried a theme of hearts' and cupid.

Latest top platter' tunes punched dance music. Cookies and punch gave the needed help to keep the rock and rollers, the jitterbugs, and the waltzers 'going.



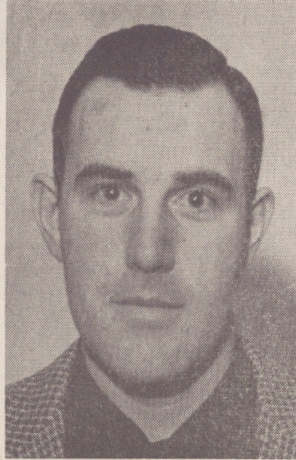


Periodically these nurses check all the students attending St. Bonaventure schools. Before the enrollment reached an all high, St. Bon's was cared for by Mrs. Herford, the city-school nurse. A vote of thanks goes to these nurses for the many hours of free service given to the schools. Left to right: Mrs. Emma Markhofer, Mrs. Helen Shadle, Mrs. Leonard Smith, Mrs. Russell Thomas.

Bob Costello resigns head coaching post

Bob Costello, head coach at St. Bonaventure high school, has resigned his position effective at the close of the current school year.

Mr. Costello, now in his fourth year at the school, said today that



BOB COSTELLO

he plans to continue in the coaching field but will not have an announcement as to future plans until a later date.

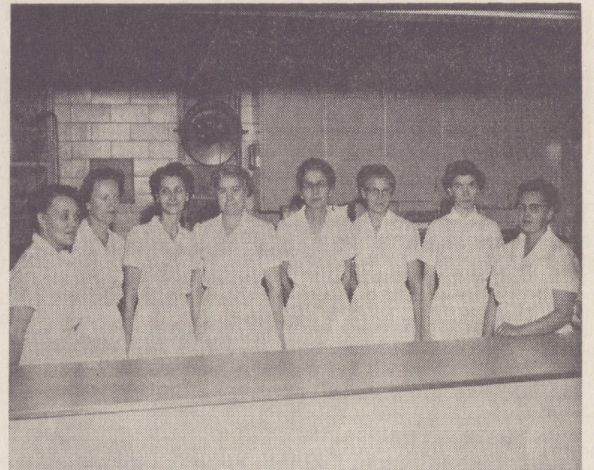
The Rev. Fr. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., pastor, stated that Charles Wolever, who joined the St. Bonaventure staff this year after previously coaching at Silver Creek, will take over the head coaching position for the 1957-58 term.

Another man will be added to the coaching staff, but a selection has not yet been made.

"We regret that Mr. Costello is leaving our faculty," Father Roch commented "He has done an excellent job here, and we wish him continued success in the future."

Mr. Costello has been head basketball coach at St. Bonaventure for four years, and head mentor in football and track two years after previously assisting Cletus Fischer in those sports. Mr. Fischer is now head grid coach at Omaha South.

A graduate of Lincoln Cathedral high school, Mr. Costello received his B.A. at the University of Nebraska, where he was a football and basketball letterman. He is married and the father of four children.



Many hours of food preparation goes into each day's appetizing meal served at St. Bonaventure cafeteria by these "ladies in white." Left to right: Mrs. Helen Sokol, Mrs. Helen Sebek, Mrs. Helen Shefcyk, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Kane, Mrs. Mathilda Dickey, Mrs. Catherine Scharwath, Mrs. Teresa Keuter, and Mrs. Loretta Micek.

Did You Hear ...

The junior and senior physics classes visited the Oak Ridge, Tennessee "Atoms for Peace" Mobile Unit when it passed through Columbus. This Mobile Unit's displays are a part of the work of the Atomic Energy Commission to further the peaceful use of the atom.

* M *

The seventh and eighth grade students undertook the class project of selling candy at the February 22 matinee performance of the senior class play. The money from this project will go for the building fund.

* M *

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Woerth entertained the seniors during homeroom period with colored slides of the Rose Bowl Parade. The boys and girls really enjoyed the pictures of the pretty girls and floats and all have aspirations to be there next year!

* M *

Congratulations to Coach Wolever and his wife on the arrival of their first son, Marti Lee. Perhaps in fourteen years a new Shamrock star will be on Bonnies football team!

* M *

Three graduates of the class of '56, Joan Minette, Jacqueline Michaelson, and Madge Tank received their caps at the St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Lincoln. The girls are now officially accepted into the field of nursing after having successfully completed the six months' pre-clinical period.

* M *

Congratulations to Kramer's band on their fine concert. Really a superb performance!

Elaine Wieser Wins U. of N. Scholarship In Competition Exam

Elaine Wieser, a St. Bon's senior, won a University of Nebraska Freshman Scholarship on the results of the competitive examination taken last fall. Elaine is in the upper one-fourth of her class, has good academic promise and obtained a high composite score on the scholarship examination. The high ranking students, one from each school, are ranked in descending order according to their scores; the first three hundred of these students are designated as **Winners**.

Boettcher Named Alternate
Named alternate from St. Bon's was Elaine Boettcher. Alternates are selected from the list of pupils whose composite scores on the examination are at or above that of the lowest winner.

Larger Number Participates
Three thousand and forty-seven seniors from four hundred and thirty-seven Nebraska high schools took the competitive examinations last November 28. A scholarship amounting to one hundred dollars per year is available to each winner who plans to attend the University of Nebraska. Scholarships that are not used are awarded to the alternates in descending order according to scores.

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Two of the best known scholarships in this locality include the "Elks Award", for the "Most Valuable Student", and the B-D scholarships. Each year the Elks National Foundation Trustees present thirty thousand dollars in the United States. Any high school student, a citizen of the United States, may file an application. All participants fill out various application blanks. Criteria judged includes personality, leadership, perseverance, general worthiness, need for financial aid, and scholarship.

B-D Offers Big Incentive
Offering a greater incentive to students is the B-D scholarship of two thousand dollars over a period of four years.

One is available to any student ranking in the upper third division; the other offers an opportunity to any employee's child.

The University of Nebraska offers between eighty thousand and one hundred thousand dollars yearly in scholarships in every field. Special awards for foreign and displaced persons merit recognition.

Duchesne Has New Memorial
Duchesne College of the Sacred Heart, Omaha, Nebraska, offers Duchesne Memorial League Scholarships for the first time in 1957-1958. Three tuition awards totaling two thousand four hundred dollar will be presented to honor stu-

dents. Partial scholarships offered annually, and Lewis awards given according to need may be found among the long list of awards.

Many Offers Open
In addition to the above mentioned scholarships, almost every college in Nebraska offers awards to deserving freshmen students.

Colleges outside of the state, present merits of recognition to applicants receiving honor results on pre-entrance examinations.

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Bonnie Boys Suffer From Rare Disease Known As Optimism

Bonnie boys from the freshmen and sophomore classes now suffer from a disease known as optimism. This comes as the result of writing speeches for the Optimist Contest. Brains twist, pencils chewed to the point of complete destruction, and finally thoughts reach the stage of words. And the outcome should be a five minute talk on "Why Optimism Is An Indispensable Asset".

Writing a speech about the brighter side of life brought thoughts of the fun that could be had if the pencil didn't have to be pushed. After the last "U" is crossed and "I" dotted no one seems to regret the day they said, "That's for me."

Soon the words, expressions and clauses that were scratched on paper leap about in the corner of the mind called memory. Before long the big day will come. Each one will open up his mouth and hope the right thing comes out.

What will be the results? — As wise men have said—"That's another story."

Tryouts in process include: Lyman Andreas, Duane Blahak, Jim Bothe, Francis Krzycki, Tony Labenz, Alan Kusek, Jim Jarecki, Virgil Pilakowski, Florian Placzek, William Schuele, James Schmit, Jim Thalke, Dennis Hilger, Larry Starosick, Robert Stachura, Jack Odgaard, Tom Watkins, Ray Syslo, David Kampovitz, Jim Bator, Larry Minette, Gary Mohrman, Pat Keating, Raphael Micek.

Baseball Roster

SENIORS	
Gary Hembd	Pitcher
Jack Jones	Outfielder
JUNIORS	
Dick Sansoni	Catcher
Dale Hanke	Catcher
Pat Tooley	Pitcher-Outfielder
Kenny Backes	Infielder
Jerry Kneifel	Infielder
Leroy Hamling	Infielder-Outfielder
Don Kaminski	Infielder
George Arasmith	Outfielder
SOPHOMORES	
Jim Gregorius	Pitcher
Don Gablenz	Infielder
Allan Kusek	Outfielder
Leo Kosiba	Outfielder
Jim Thalke	Outfielder
FRESHMEN	
Larry Starosick	Infielder
Ronald Kudron	Outfielder
Joe Badstieber	Outfielder
Bernard Bogus	Outfielder
Jim Tylle	Infielder
Joe Liss	Outfielder
Tom Shonka	Infielder
Tom Watkins	Infielder
Vernon Jakob	Outfielder
Jim Bator	Catcher
Robert Stachura	Outfielder
Raphael Micek	Infielder
APRIL SCHEDULE	
Norfolk Sacred Heart	5, here
Howells	9, there
Seward Concordia	16, there
Howells	23, here
Creighton St. Ludger	26, here
First Round District	29
MAY SCHEDULE	
Otoe	14, there
Seward	17, here
Creighton	20, there
Second Round District	1
Finals District	7

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Shamrocks Edge St. Joseph Omaha

Coach Bob Costello's Shamrocks edged St. Joseph's of Omaha by a score of 65-63 in a "nip and tuck" battle.

An exciting opening period, gave the Irish a slim advantage of 17-16. In the beginning of the second canto the Johawks tied up the score at 19 all; but fielders by Dennis Shefcyk and Ted Pfeifer gave a hold of 29-23 lead at half-time.

The third quarter saw the home team behind by one point on two occasions; the first came on Jim Konon's layup and this gave the visiting team a 35-34 lead, and the second on Rich Paskevics loop to give the Omaha team a 38-37 advantage.

Bonnies Hold Margin
St. Bonaventure held a 59 to 49 margin with less than four minutes in the closing period. However, the Johawks began to roll and Bill Wellis' bucket with less than two minutes left tied the game at 61 all. Tony Kroenke's two baskets gave the home team 65 and iced the game after Jerry Crum's basket with only seven seconds to go.

Shefcyk Paces Winners
Shefcyk paced the winners with 26 points along with rugged rebounding. Ted Pfeifer had 15 points. Paskevics led the losers with 18 and Crum and Koudelha picked up 10 apiece.

Green-White Lose Consolation Game

Howells defeated St. Bonaventure by a score of 65-47 in the consolation game at the Stanton tournament. The Bobcats led all the way after Dennis Hilz made the opening basket.

St. Bonaventure couldn't hit with any consistency, thus being outscored in every quarter until the final one in which both teams hit 17.

Hilz had 23 points for the Bobcats while Gary Prucha and Joe Molacek had 13 and 15 points respectively.

Dennis Shefcyk paced the Shamrocks with 26 and was the high scorer in the tournament with 72 points.

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"This makes the Sixteenth sheet of paper ruined since starting to make that perfect copy for the OAT Contest." Thus sighed Carroll Wemhoff when the last copy went into the IBM. However, perseverance pays big dividends in the final analysis. Of the 3 participants, only one receives the grand award an OAT pin. Carroll takes that honor.

Others receiving certificates: Norma Kretz, Kathleen Kurtenbach, Mark Liebig, Lea Markhofer, Sharon Messersmith, Arda Meysenburg, Maureen Micek, Mary Ellen Minette, Margaret Pensick, Dorothy Petermann, Janet Sebek, Leroy Seiler, Dolores Shefcyk, Kathy Shonka, Janet Sliva, Jane Smith, Janet Smith, Eva Stachura, Judith Tylle, Nick Wheeler, Mary Kay Wozny, Joseph Adams, William Andreas, Kenneth Backes, Judith Bator, Bob Beck, Elaine Bierman, Elaine Blahak, Jo Ann Bothe, Jerry Braun, Jane Burzynski, Geraldine Cockson, Mary Jo Dush, Rosane Dvorak, Helen Ann Galley, Dale Hanke, Mary Hilger, Clures Ann Hobbensiefken, Jane Holys, Gaylord Kafka, Jerry Kneifel, Diane Kosiba.

During the past several weeks, the shorthand classes diligently practiced curves, slants, and straight lines.

After patiently rewriting copy for the International OGA Contest and the annual Esterbrook Gregg Shorthand Contest, commendable papers finally went to New York and Camden, New Jersey. Results of this contest will be known in May.

Bookkeeping students will participate in the Gregg International Bookkeeping Contest. These papers will be due in New York City on March 1.

For the contest the participants must demonstrate the ability to correct a journal, make a work sheet, and a balance sheet.

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Dennis Shefcyk Sets School Scoring Mark

Dennis Shefcyk set a school scoring mark in the past basketball season. Shefcyk, 6-3 center, poured in 438 points in 20 games, or about 22 points per game. The previous record was held by Dean Soulliere, who made 422 points in 1954.

The St. Bonaventure star, also an outstanding rebounder, summed up 163 field goals and hit 112 for 183 at the charity line. His free throw total was 22 more than that of Soulliere, but the latter still holds the record on field goals, 166.

Shefcyk's highest score in a single game was 29 against Blair. Ted Pfeifer with 166 points, and best scoring game, 17 against Fremont, St. Pats. Pat Tooley chalked 126 points, with a maching 17 against Grand Island Catholic. George Arasmith hit 94, with a high of 12 in the Fullerton game.

Coach Bob Costello's Shamrocks closed the season with a 10-10 record, making 416 field goals and hit 306 for 543 at the gift line. The Irish ran up a total of 1138 points, against 1141 of the opponents, or for about 57 per cent.

Seniors - Juniors Make Science Fair Projects

The ambitious seniors and juniors in Sister Edwina's physics classes are busy preparing projects for the Science Fair.

The Science Fair is sponsored by the Academy of Science and will be held in Lincoln during the month of April. The object of the fair is to help high school students realize the importance of science today.

Several students have been working diligently on different projects. Delores Roebuck, Leona Paprocki, Roberta Podraza and Eugenia Podraza are studying different types of blood cells. Conducting experiments to show what effect different colored lights have on plants has been keeping Elaine Boettcher and Mary Jane Moser busy.

Four seniors, Dennis Shefcyk, Ralph Hadcock, Alfred Hanus and Y'Vonne Mitera are making cloud chambers. A project concerning cancer will be the contribution of Elaine Wieser and Nancy Beck. The only junior, Mary Ellen Minette, is working on a family tree.

The students are looking forward to the Science Fair as it gives them a chance to see what other high school students are doing in science classes and gives them an opportunity to see the latest developments in the field of science.

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Stanton Upsets St. Bonaventure In Tournament

Stanton upset St. Bonaventure in the Stanton Tournament 65-61 in a breath taking game. The Irish set a hot pace the first quarter. At one time the Irish led by 15 points, showing 23-15 when the period ended.

The Shamrocks still held a margin of nine points in the second canto, when Stanton started a rally and Art Freiburg's shooting cut the Bonnies lead to one point at half-time.

Bart Matthie's long shot in the beginning of the third period gave the Mustangs the first lead of the game and at the closing quarter the score stood at 46-43.

St. Bonaventure came within one point on four occasions in the last canto, the last of which came when Tony Kroenke hit, making it 59-60.

Rich and Art Freiburg paced the Mustangs with 20 and 19 points respectively.

Dennis Shefcyk led the Irish with 21 while Pat Tooley had 14 and Kroenke had 12.

Stanton made its last 11 points at the charity line, but coach Bob Costello lost three regulars — Ted Pfeifer, Tooley and George Arasmith, via personal fouls.

Seward Cages Easy Victory

Seward Concordia caged an easy victory by downing St. Bonaventure 67-43. The Shamrocks trailed 37-31 early in the third quarter. However baskets by Don Pieper and Roger Schmidt of Concordia set the team afire. The tall crew showed good ball-handling throughout the game. Don Zimbrick paced the victorious Blue Raiders with 19 points, while Pieper followed with 15.

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Junior Classmen Prepare Campaign Talks, Slogans For County Government

Campaign speeches and slogans presently occupy the Junior classmen as preparations for County Government Day to be held April 9, at the County Court House.

Student body activities will begin with registration. This will entitle registrants to vote in the general election as a member of either the Nationalist or Federalist party.

Members of the junior class qualify to file for any one of the following offices: County Clerk, Attorney, Assessor, Judge of the Circuit Courts, County Judge, Sheriff, Highway Commissioner, Treasurer, Assistance Director, Superintendent of Schools, Home Demonstrator, Register of Deeds, and Highway Engineer.

Soon the office seekers will give campaign platforms over the P.A. system to solicit votes.

Seniors Present Vocation Month Panel Discussion

Six high school seniors presented a panel discussion relative to plans for the future at the monthly meeting of the P.T.A. As March is vocation month, this topic was especially fitting at this time and held the interest of all the parents present.

Dennis Shefcyk acting as moderator, introduced each of the students who in turn gave a short talk on the vocation most appealing. The panel members and subjects included: Elaine Boettcher—social work; Ralph Hadcock—service and television electronics; Mike Micek—college in general; Y'Vonne Mitera—X-ray technology; and Ted Pfeifer—draftsman. The discussion terminated with questions from the audience.

'Streamlined Cinderella' Will Be Junior High Class Presentation

With a cast of sixteen, and a supporting chorus of fifty, the operetta, "Streamlined Cinderella" will be presented by the junior high. This delightful production written by Charles George, is the familiar Cinderella story in reverse. A rich boy, young Prince Dean, gives a party to which he invites everyone. Cindy Lou is jealous of her step-sisters, Flora and Dora, and aided by her mother, she sees that they are kept in the background. With the help of their father they manage to get to the party but Cindy is furious and threatens to tell her mother. How it comes to a happy end with the help of Cuthbert Percy Algernon Custard and the familiar lost slipper brings the story to an exciting and delightful climax.

The cast of characters includes: Cindy—Deanne Ryba, Flora—Mary Messersmith, Dora—Madonna Bothe, Veronica, Cindy's best



Meeting for the first time after appointment, the new editorial staff for 1957-58 begin making plans for future Ventures. Left to right: Mary Kay Wozny, Kathleen Kurtenbach, Judie Bator, Donald Kaminski, Dolores Shefcyk, Geraldine Cockson, Arda Meysenburg. (Photo by Landgren Studio.)

Last Year's Idea To Have Issue Editors Gives Most Cooperative Working Group

Last year's idea to have a different editor-in-chief for each issue of *The Venture* gave a most cooperative working group with gratifying results. April brings warning of the approach of May and the need for another new staff. No editor carried a heavy burden and all worked wholeheartedly to meet the deadline for each issue.

Again this year, seven editors will accept the call to be responsible for one issue each. Any extra issues will be shouldered by the group.

Shefcyk Draws First

Drawing slips bearing months of issues gave September to Dolores Shefcyk. To Judie Bator goes the November issue; Arda Meysenburg will furnish the Christmas news; Mary Kay Wozny will combine the semester standards and Press Month offerings in the January-February paper; Kathleen Kurtenbach will find much to write about during March, vocation month; Geraldine Cockson will sing of birds and flowers during April, and Don Kaminski will tell the secrets of Prom, Graduation, and last farewells in the May Venture.

Venture Needs Ads

Without good advertising managers, *The Venture* could not long continue to give school news to interested patrons, hence Dennis Daly and Gaylord Kafka will be the contact men in this field.

Old Staff Finds Fun

"You'll find putting out the

school paper, heaps of fun", say the outgoing seven staff members of 1956-1957.

Roy Lang, Guest Speaker, Affirms Athletics Instills Real Americanism

"Athletics instills real Americanism in the youth of today," guest speaker, Roy Lang brought home to the guests and players at St. Bonaventure Annual Sports' Banquet.

Fowler Presides

Franklin Fowler, Master of Ceremonies, introduced the coach, Robert Costello. Mr. Costello emphasized the need of better facilities in order to continue the athletic program at St. Bon's. The coach also

Fremont Will Welcome Band and Singing Groups To District Music Contest

Fremont will again welcome band and singing groups to the annual District Music Contest. April 11 and 12 will be the important dates to remember.

Mr. Van Ackeran To Direct

Many entrants, under the direction of Mr. Van Ackeran, will participate. All work hard toward that much-coveted "superior" rating. The band will play two selections, "Pearl Fishers," a new and modern piece, and "Beaded Belts." Girls' glee will sing the difficult, "Clair de Lune," and "Sing, Robin Sing."

Trio To Sing Two Numbers

Three ensembles will take part also. The Triple Trio will sing the ever-popular "Lady Of Spain" and "Oh Dear, What Can The Matter Be." A clarinet trio composed of Yvonne Mitera, Gerry Cockson and Dolores Shefcyk will play "Meditation." Elaine Boettcher and Pat Wiedel will play horn duets entitled "Cracker Jacks" and "Mona."

Girls To Play Solos

Two piano soloists, Margaret Mrzlak and Pat Wiedel will try to add to the school honors by playing "Themes and Variations" by Beethoven, and "Grillen," respectively.

Building Log

MARCH 15-31—

- Acoustical tile put on classroom ceilings.
- Outline for chalk boards takes shape.
- Terrazzo flooring set in rest rooms.
- Fluorescent lighting installed.
- Installation of furnace begun.
- Wood work placed around some of the windows.

Senior High PTA Will Be Organized

Because many problems arise which cannot be easily discussed in the general P.T.A., a special P.T.A. for junior and senior high school parents will be organized.

Having this special P.T.A., will eliminate burdening the general group with problems that concern the junior and senior high school

Meetings for this group will take place every other month instead of monthly as does the regular P.T.A.

Science Club Chairman Makes Study Enjoyable

Ralph Hadcock, program chairman of the Senior Science Club, is making the study of physics more enjoyable for both the junior and senior physics classes.

Ralph has undertaken the project of showing technicolored movies on different phases of science to the ever-curious physics students. The first film presented, "The World That Nature Forgot" told of the world of plastics.

In the future the juniors and seniors may look forward to two more technicolored films — "Packaged Power" (story of Canadian aluminum) and "Dynamic Measurement" (electronic wonders).



Little Terry Mrzlak, 2½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Mrzlak, models spring fashions for the younger set at the St. Bon's Spring Style Show. Courtesy Landgren Studio.

Three Hundred Attend Spring Style Program

The latest parish project, the Spring Style Show and Coffee Hour, resulted in a big success with approximately 300 persons attending the program at the National Guard Armory.

High School Students Participate

Fifty spring outfits for men, women, children and toddlers, provided by the clothing stores of Columbus, paraded on stage for the audience's approval. Elaine Blahak, Judie Bator, Connie Cronin, Melba Koci, Mike Micek, Y'Vonne Mitera, and Ted Pfeifer represented the high school as models.

Graduates Take Part

Mary Gerhold, a graduate of St. Bonaventure, modeled the gown she wore as a Countess of Ak-Sar-Ben in 1956. Another special feature was the showing of costumes for a bride and her attendants with Lorraine Herink portraying the bride, while Dorothy Gladfelter and Shirley Jiranek were the attendants. The three girls are all former students of St. Bon's.

Wiedel And Mrzlak Entertain

Pat Wiedel and Margaret Mrzlak provided special entertainment during the style show with piano solos. A social hour and refreshments followed the program.

presented letters to the football and basketball players.

New Coach Tells Plans

Charles Wolever, taking over as head coach next year, explained the system that would be used, and paid tribute to Mr. Costello for the wonderful job done at St. Bon's.

Rev. Fathers Speak

Rev. Timothy Healy, O.F.M., discussed the Booster Club activities. Rev. Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., in his talk, agreed with Mr. Costello about the need for sport's facilities, and said the plans now on paper will remedy this shortage in the near future.

Students Provide Diversion

Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Triple Trio; a novelty pantomime by Kathy Shonka and Mary Kay Wozny; and dinner music by Margaret Mrzlak.

Happy Group Makes Trip

A busload of laughing, peppy cheerleaders, and pep club members plus three boys made the trip to Lincoln to take in the finals of the State Tournament and the Cheerleader Clinic.

The yell squad of the University of Nebraska hold this clinic annually to give the girls a chance to exchange ideas on cheerleading outfits, yells, pep rallies, stunts, and correct sportsmanship during games.

Those attending include junior varsity members — Kathy Kuta, Leona Mimick, Bernadine Paprocki; senior varsity — Elaine Boettcher, Margaret Mielak, Kathy Shonka, Marian Skorupa; pep club members — Joyce Haney, Arda Meysenburg, Mary Jane Moser, Dolores Shefcyk, Mary Kay Wozny; and the boys—Dick Sansoni, Larry Staroscik, and Bob McCarty.

Don't Forget That Easter Egg!

"Every Catholic should eat an Easter egg on Easter Sunday," is the saying often quoted by many oldsters.

"Why?" Did you say?

Because the Easter egg is a symbol of the Resurrection of Jesus.

As Jesus, without the aid of any outside force, emerged triumphant from the tomb, so the little chick, without aid from anyone, picks its way out of the egg shell.



Be Sure To See "STREAMLINED CINDERELLA"

Junior High Operetta April 28, 1957

Sleepyheads!

"Old sleepyheads, Peter, James, and John!" You couldn't stay on watch for just **one little hour!**"

"Well, if I'd had the chance, there would have been no sleeping!" "I'm the wide-awake kind of guy!"

"Not so fast, Mr. Braggadocio!" "How about that hour of adoration—just keeping watch—on Saturday morning or afternoon? Don't blame the three Apostles before taking a good look at yourself to make sure that you too, are **wide awake** and not asleep."

"Well, did you look? Are you **asleep?** Or are you **awake?**"

Happy Birthday Add Another Candle

- April 1—Ted Pfeifer
5—Dwane Johnson
Jolene Shemek
12—Darlene Bollig
18—James Schmit
20—Norma Kretz
Darlene Wemhoff
23—Walter Niedbalski
25—Elaine Wieser
Kathy Kurtenbach
26—Robert Bures
29—Joan Legenza
30—Gaylord Kafka
Betty Wozny
Kathleen Sokol

Honor Roll

SENIORS

- Joan Badstieber
Nancy Beck
Elaine Boettcher
Darlene Bollig
Marietta Liebig
Margaret Mielak
Virginia Mimick
Leona Paprocki
Eugenia Podraza
Elaine Weiser

JUNIORS

- Judith Bator
Jane Burzynski
Clures Hobbensiefken
Don Kaminski
Tony Kroenke
Arda Meysenburg
Maureen Micek
Richard Sansoni
Dolores Shefcyk
Kathy Shonka
Jane Smith
Pat Tooley
Mary Kay Wozny

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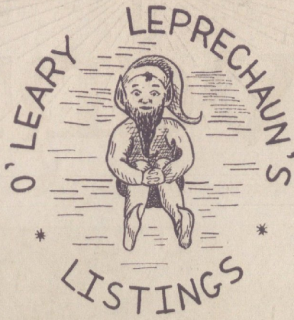
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Darlene Czuba
Donald Gablenz
Joyce Haney
Allan Kusek
Anthony Labenz
Norma Liebig
Phyllis Mahoney
Leona Mimick
Lenore Nosal
Dennis Novotny
John Scharf
James Schmidt
Kathleen Sokol
Jim Thalken

FRESHMEN

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Jane Byrnes
Connie Cronin
Marlene German
Marvin Henggeler
Dennis Hilger
David Kampovitz
Mary Kavanaugh
Pat Keating
Margaret Mrzлак
Jack Odgaard
Larry Staroscik
Jane Woodworth

To Toast the AdvertisERS

AdvertisERS! AdvertisERS! What would we do without them? They finance our "Ventures", Which is indeed a lot, They fill each empty spot. The cleanest of them all we see, Is Columbus Laundry Company. The tastiest spot we will To Jourdans and to Jack and Jill. Coca-Cola, the pause that refreshes, Where to get it? I'll give you three guesses Tooley's Drug soda fountain Serves Coke and ice cream by the mountain. Need new colthes for boy or girl? Give Irene Shop and Curry's both a whirl. They satisfy to please your taste; And in your daily post school haste, Adams Cafe or Ranch House Drive-in Have foods and drinks we all thrive in. If you need boots or shoes just stop At R&S or Prokupeks Shoe Shop. And if you haven't found them yet Woodrick and Allen can surely get A pair to please, and Penney's too Might find the kind fit just for you. Joseph's and Larson-Kuhn agreed For all the family clothing need They fill the bill, but for the home To Alexands and Brenners you should come And if you ever need a loan, Becher, Hockenberger and Chambers is known For its kind service, and with all that dough Speice, Echols, and Boettcher is the place to go To buy a house to please you all. And with the guy who's handsome, dark, and tall Brodkey's, McOfe's, and Froemels take pride In pleasing every blushing bride. The Central National and Columbus banks Take care of your money with interest and thanks. To please the ear of everyone, The Music Company calls that fun. To please the tummy through and through, Luschen's and Beatrice Foods is just for you. Drink Dr. Pepper and Squirt, it really pays. Miessler's and the Art Printery for school supplies And Daniel Studio to please the eyes. Fleischer-Rogers give S&H Green Stamps Blue Bird's best on shopping tramps. Becton, Dickinson Manufacturing Company Offers a scholarship for you or me. The Daily Telegram prints the news For us to read the many views, And last but not least, our patron friends Thanks a lot and here this ends!



Sure 'n begorra, vacation comes rollin' 'round 'afore me Bonnie lads and lassies realize 'tis time.

With the feelin' o' spring in the air, the young'uns have been stricken with spring fever. As I gaze at them standin' in the halls, some look very dead and other very ambitious. I have tried to guess by jest lookin' what they will be doin' this summer.

Jane H. will be enrolled in a summer course of "Practical First Aid and Tree Rescue Work."

Larry M. looks promising on owning a huge grey hound dog farm.

Lea M. will mysteriously disappear, but return knowing a thousand and one new dance steps.

Ray M., Lyman A., and Jim G. will enjoy buzzin' around on Jim's scooter. (ALL AT ONCE???)

George A. will be handling hammer and nails for Mr. Wiedel, contractor. This exercise will put muscles in shape for football next year.

Diane K. will continue driving lessons in order to handle the big Mercury.

Bob R. promises to read the book, "The Little Boy With The Big Horn."

Betty M. will try to reach her life's goal by gaining the title of "Number One Potato Scrubber" at the Y-Knot.

Nick W. promises to out-drag every car in town. Through rumor I hear he has a T-bird engine under the hood.

Dick S. will be faithful in taking One-A-Day vitamins with the fond hope of getting taller and wider.

Leo K. will spend the summer trying to live up to his idol, Mike M.

Kathy K. most likely will go about in a daze trying to figure out this year's seniors. (They give you trouble?)

Pat T. will practice memory gems so he won't forget the plays. Jane W. can sit and whistle wood into reeds for her oboe.

Ernie H. will spend time learning from Dad the choice cuts of beef, and correct way to wrap them for the freezer.

Carolyn B. will take speech and vocal control lessons so the halls won't echo with so much rauchus next year.

Geradine C. will entertain the hospital patients by playing her clarinet.

Dolores S. will manufacture green stationery.

And as for me, well, lads and lassies, I'm goin' to pack my things and vacation in ol' Ireland.

Jog That Memory

REMEMBER WHEN . . .

- Elaine B. was on time for class? no one had home work to do? the halls weren't crowded? Father Reinhard took all of us on those field trips? Sister R. gave vitamin pills to the sleepy classmen? we didn't have a daily English test? Darlene C. didn't have a pony tail? Bea M. had short hair? there were more boys than girls in school? Pat W., Joe W., George A., and Y'vonne M. had all their teeth? Sister G. didn't have something to sell? the Green Hornet was the only bus for everyone to use? there weren't junior high students present in the halls? freshies looked up to seniors? Sister R. had slumber parties? the kitchen wasn't filled with hungry seniors and juniors? there were no IBM's in the typing room? no one drooled over E. P.'s rock 'n roll? Herkie brought Donna J. to school on 3 cents worth of gas?

New Eucharistic Fast Regulations

Because of the changes that have taken place in the disposition of work, public offices, and all social life, the Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, on March 19, 1957, issued a document revising the Eucharistic fast.

The decree, which became effective March 25, 1957, states:

- 1. Holy Mas may be celebrated every day after midday without a special mandate.
2. Priests and faithful must abstain for three hours from solid foods and alcoholic beverages, and must abstain from non-alcoholic beverages for one hour before Holy Communion. Water does not break the fast.
3. This fast must be observed at all times, even in cases of receiving Holy Communion at midnight Mass.
4. The infirm and the sick may take non-alcoholic beverages and that which is really medicine before Holy Communion without any time limit. Although the new law has been signed by the Holy Father, His Excellency strongly urges the veneration of the old form of the Eucharistic fast whenever possible.



Bonnies Agenda Events Acomin'

- April 2 St. Bon's Invitational Track Meet
3 Election of County Government Officials
5 Norfolk, Sacred Heart—Baseball
9 Howells—Baseball
9 Norfolk Junior College Spring Band Concert—Social Hall
9 County Government Day
10 Kramer Invitational Track Meet
11-12 State Music Contest—Fremont
15 B-D Scholarship Exams
16 Seward Concordia—Baseball
18 Track Meet—Norfolk
18 Holy Thursday
19 Good Friday—Easter Vacation Begins
20 Holy Saturday
21 Easter Sunday
23 Classes Resumed
23 Howells—Baseball
26 Creighton, St. Ludger—Baseball
29 District Tournament (first round)

Did You Hear . . .

Charles Micek visited his Alma Mater when he was home on leave from his Navy station at Sanford, Florida. Next August Chuck will be transferred to Spain. Meanwhile he's enjoying his stay in the U.S., especially in good 'ole Columbus!

The Youth Center officers, committee, and twelve other interested students took in the Ice Capades in Omaha. Father Tim treated the officers and committee to this trip as a reward to them for the fine work they've done in promoting activities and keeping the Youth Center lively.

Experiments and more experiments have been going on in the senior physics class with the cloud chambers which the students plan to take to Lincoln to the Science Fair. Some days the try-outs prove a success and the next, a failure. But eventually the Bonnie, scientists hope to be able to produce cosmic, alpha, and beta rays at the snap of their fingers!

The senior class held a bake sale after Church Sunday to help earn money for their sneak day to Denver, Colorado. Money is the main problem in planning this sneak day which will be participated in by the class as a whole—the first time for a senior class to take a trip as a group. Another bake sale will take place the Sunday before Easter, April 14.

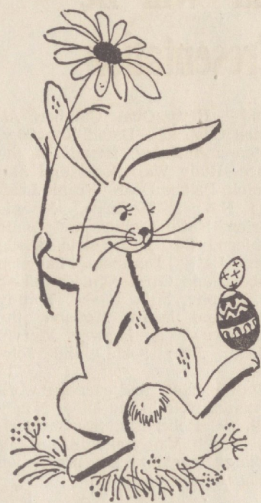
The mailman will be bringing prizes and more prizes to the home of Virginia Mimick! A letter written by Virginia's brother won the weekly contest on the teen-age portion of the Big Pay-Off, a quiz program originating from New York.

The local Lions Club awarded Darlene Bollig and Marietta Liebig a first prize twenty-five dollar bond in the senior division of the annual contest. Darlene gave a short comedy monologue and Marietta narrated the story. They will next compete at the District Contest held in Broken Bow, Nebraska.

Mission work in Japan was the topic of the film shown to the junior high students by the Columban missionary who visited the school. The senior high boys and girls enjoyed short talks on vocations given by the Father.

Margaret Mielak Will Receive Scholarship

Margaret Mielak, St. Bonaventure senior, will receive the St. Mary honor tuition scholarship given by the College of St. Mary in Omaha. Given annually, the scholarship is based on scholastic ability, achievement, personality and character. The value of the scholarship is seventy-five dollars a year, renewable for the three consecutive years if a "B" average is maintained. Margaret plans to attend the College of St. Mary and take a liberal arts course.



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Shamrock Shenanigans

Mr. V. A.—(after playing recording of "Symphony in D Minor") "As you can see we have only one of the main themes in our number."

Cork K.—"Thank heavens!"
* M *

Sister R. has been having slumber parties after school for all seniors who insist on sleeping during class! They aren't as lively as the ones most of the girls are used to, though!

* M *

Heard from a freshman boy leaving the principal's office—"Gosh, what would happen to us if she were a six-footer!"

* M *

Little Boy—"Daddy, why can't I go out and play like the rest of the kids?"

Father—"Shut-up and deal."
* M *

Bill R.'s plans for this summer are unique! If he doesn't find a job Bill is going to publish a 9 book containing the answer to 9. He has figured so far the answer will be 9 multiplied by itself 387,420,489! (Keep at it, Bill!)

* M *

It must be catching! Even Lady Macbeth comes up with, "What's this business?"

* M *

Some junior and senior boys were asking Sister R. if they could see the State Tournaments. Sister said, "It's against the school rules to let you out." The boys replied, "The senior boys got out last year!" Sister answered, "God alone knows what the senior boys did last year!"

* M *

Mary J. M.—"Can anyone tell me how I can earn \$1000 dollars this summer?" (All suggestions will be welcome!)

* M *

FLASH! The freshman class has been split. Boys in one room, girls in another. Figure this one out for yourself!

* M *

Boy: "What do you repair these shoes with?"

Cobbler: "Hide."

Boy: "Why should I hide?"

Cobbler: "Hide, hide! The cow's outside."

Boy: "So what? Who's afraid of an old cow?"

—Compact
* M *

We were all shook up about the few cats that showed up at the St. Pat's Party. Let's get hip and start turning out for some of these events!

* M *

Mrs. H.—"What is a Cavalier?"

Darlene W. — "Formerly a Cavalier was a horseman or knight."

Alfred H. — "Now it's a cigarette!"
* M *

Mr. V. A.—"Take 'Pearl Fishers' for a minute. I just want to catch a few things!"

* M *

Suggestions given to M. J. M. on how to earn \$1000 dollars this summer: (1) Work 6 days a week at \$1 an hour, 13 hrs. a day, 72 days and have \$64 dollars! (2) Work 8 days a week, 26 hours a day, 36 days at 50c/hr. and have \$64 dollars! (3) Invest! (4) Find a rich uncle—preferably dead! (5) Purchase a good printing press!"

* M *

Mrs. H. believes some of the senior boys would do better at playing in the meadows, among the daisies, and with the little lambsies then at senior literature! Only drawback—no little girls to play with!

* M *

Be it known that the seniors are not the only Irishmen in school. Therefore, let the editors know the shenanigans you do!

Bonnie Tells Tales

Kathy Kurtenbach

When Did She Arrive? December 25, 1940, in St. Bernard.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kurtenbach.

Where Early Schooling? St. Bernard Catholic School near Lindsay.

What High Schools Gave Help? St. Francis in Humphrey and St. Bon's.

What Studies Prove Most Interesting? Typing and shorthand.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Dancing and writing letters.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? Secretary.



Jim Thalken

When Did He Arrive? December 14, 1940, in Leigh.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Thalken.

Where Early Schooling? Rural school.

What High Schools Gave Help? Clarkson High.

What Study Proves To Be Most Interesting? Geometry.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Hunting and fishing.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? College.



Julie Litjen

When Did She Arrive? May 26, 1943, in Seward, Nebraska.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Litjen.

Where Early Schooling? Grade school in Staplehurst, Nebraska.

What Studies Prove Most Interesting? Algebra.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Listening to popular music.

What are some likes and dislikes? Like the students because they are so friendly, and dislike all history tests.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? College.

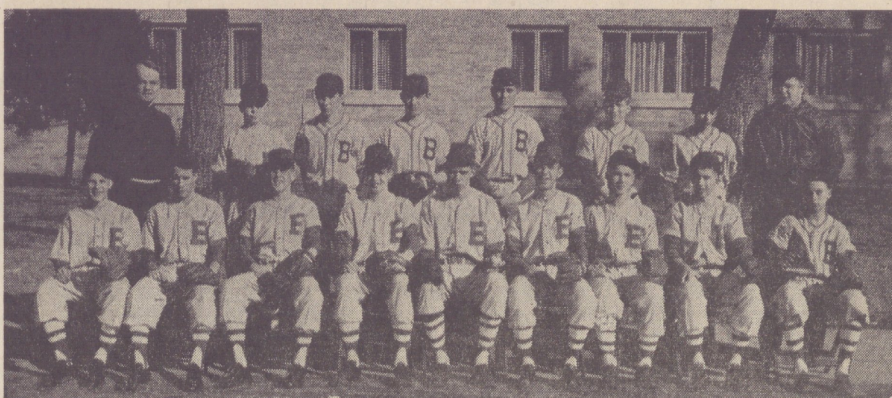


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Baseball players lined up to show off new outfits ere the base-running days begin. Left to right, front row—Richard Sansoni, Joseph Adamy, Don Kaminski, Pat Tooley, Gary Hembd, George Arasmit, Jim Thalken, Alan Kusek, Don Gablenz. Back row—Athletic Director, Rev. Timothy Healy, O.F.M., Larry Staroseik, Dale Hanke, Jerry Kniefel, Joe Liss, Jim Gregorius, Tom Shonka, Coach Charles Wolever.

Touch Me Not!

"Oh, don't touch me!" "That's a tender spot, careful now!" "This last one was terrible!"

Many exclamations, similar to the above have been coming from the senior girls for the last couple of weeks. The reason? Immunization shots! Those anticipating college entrance next fall have been "living the life of a pincushion." It isn't much fun, the girls admit, but it's worth the pains to know that soon the required number of shots will be completed along with an official immunization certificate. And after all, "it only hurts for a little while."

Match 'Em

Do you know how you rate with people? If not, take the initial of your first name and match it to the first column and the initial of your surname to the last column. Then you will know.

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| A-bsent-minded | Alligator |
| B-lockheaded | B-eetle |
| C-ranky | C-abbage |
| D-ignified | D-uck |
| E-efficient | E-lephant |
| F-risky | F-owl |
| G-lamorous | G-angster |
| H-appy | H-yena |
| I-ignorant | I-diot |
| J-jealous | J-umping Bean |
| K-een | K-ickapoo |
| L-ame | L-emon |
| M-angy | M-acaroni |
| N-oble | N-oodle |
| O-bnoxious | O-strich |
| P-rissy | P-endguin |
| Q-ueer | Q-uetzal |
| S-ly | S-lowpoke |
| T-alkative | T-oad |
| U-nique | U-ndertaker |
| V-ain | V-agabond |
| W-ild | W-igmaker |
| X-erotic | X-ylogen |
| Y-outhful | Y-aboo |
| Z-ealous | Z-ebra |

World History Classes Boast Champ Newscaster

World history classes boast champion teen-age newscasters. At St. Bon's, the students believe in keeping up with modern times and trends. Teachers and students think much can be accomplished by means of daily news reports. Consequently, every morning someone in the group tells about the up-to-the-minute happenings in local and foreign events.

To stimulate even greater interest, the class subscribes to Everyweek. Almost an entire period is spent weekly to discuss this paper. Sometimes, to vary class procedure, discussion leaders carry on informal group work.

At other times, sister assigns the various topics to volunteer classmen. Interesting class reports result from this method. Latest news topics become more and more meaningful as students become adept in the use of maps, chalk drawings, and the globe while giving a report.

After the paper has been gone over thoroughly, a quiz follows to test knowledge, attention, and memory.

Senior Group Looks Ahead

Senior girls and boys are looking ahead. Many have been busy making plans for next fall, reading up on different colleges and universities, and applying to the schools which appeal to the individual.

Darlene Bollig, Virginia Mimick, Leona Paprocki, Marian Skorupa, and Elaine Wieser have taken entrance examinations at St. Elizabeth's School of Nursing in Lincoln. The entrance exam for St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Omaha was taken by Delores Roebuck and she has been accepted to enter next fall. Elaine Boettcher took the Duchesne Scholarship Tests in Omaha, but results are not yet available.

St. Bon Shamrock Makes True Voice All-Star Team

Top St. Bon's Shamrock, Dennis Shefcyk, made the all-star True Voice team as announced by the official newspaper of the Catholic Archdiocese of Omaha.

Shefcyk was cited for his rebounding and scoring ability, which led to a new one-season record for St. Bonaventure. Standouts from Catholic high schools in this area compose the all-star group. Dennis earned additional honors by receiving honorable mention the all-state Class B team of the Omaha World Herald.

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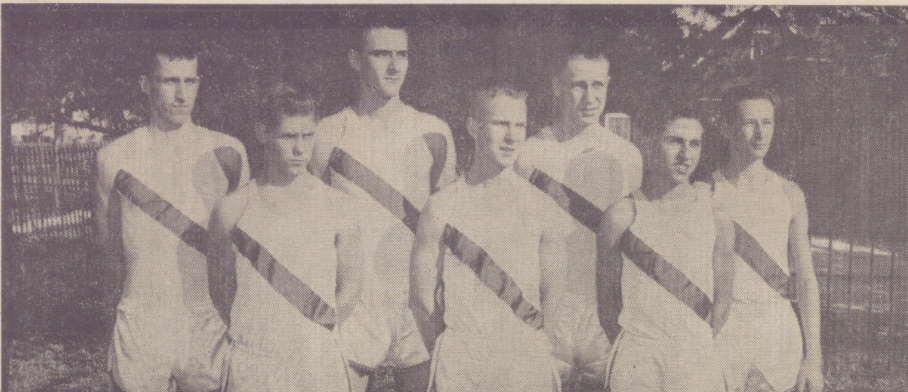
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Cindermen thoughtfully gazing at the goals to be achieved during the coming meets. Left to right—Tony Kroenke, Francis Krzycki, Dennis Shefcyk, Jim Thalken, Leo Kosiba, Edward Petersen, Dennis Novotny.

Tracksters Place Sixth Good News Comes

St. Bonaventure tracksters placed sixth in the annual St. Bonaventure Invational. Blair won the ten school meet with 41½ points. Other schools participating and the order in which they finished were: Schuyler 38, Tekamah 35½, David City St. Mary 31, Wayne 23½, St. Bonaventure 20, Neligh 19, Omaha Holy Name 16, Bellwood Marietta 12, and West Point Guardian Aangel 3½.

All four lettermen placed for the Irish. Dennis Shefcyk, Shamrock ace hurdler, swept both the high and lows in :08.1 and :11.8 respectively.

Tony Kroenke placed second in the 880; Dennis Daly fourth in the 100; and Leo Kosiba fourth in the 440.

Friday, April 5, good news came to junior high and senior high classmen in the form of announcing the winners in the C. D. A. Poetry Contest.

Mostek Takes First

Junior high winners—first place, Don Mostek; second place, Larry Minette; third Robert Stachura.

Kroenke Leads

Tony Kroenke's poem "Thanksgiving" merits a first; Elaine Wieser takes second for "On Meditations and Distractions"; Arda Meysenburg receives third place for "Why".

Winners Get Cash

Contestants gaining first place receive a five dollar cash award; second place winners, three dollars; and third place, two dollars. All winners happily called at the office for the prize awards.

Sixteen Tracksters Report

Coach Bob Costello has 16 tracksters reporting this spring. Two lettermen represented St. Bonaventure at the State Track Meet last spring; Dennis Shefcyk in the high hurdles and Tony Kroenke in the half mile. The Roster . . .

Senior

** Dennis Shefcyk—180 Lows and 120 Highs

Juniors

* Tony Kroenke—880
* Gaylord Kafka—880
* Dennis Daly—100 and 220

Sophomores

* Leo Kosiba—Discus, Shot Put and 440

Jim Thalken—180 Lows
Dennis Novatny—880
Francis Krzycki—440

Lyman Andreas—Pole Vault

Freshmen

Larry Minette, David Melcher, David Kampovitz, Richard Friedman, Bill McAuliff, Jim Huhman, Joe Swalek
Asterisk — signifies number of letters.

Why

Jesus of Nazareth, who are You?
Why do they call You, King of the Jews?
Why have they said that You must die?
"Let this man be Crucified!"

Why the bloody crowns of thorns?
Why the sneers, the scoffs and scorn?
Why must You endure this shame,
And suffer in silence such cruel pain?

How great Your love must be for men
To die so willingly for sin.
O grant us graces from above,
That will be worthy of Your love.
—Arda Meysenburg

Thanksgiving

We thank You, God, for everything,
That we can walk and laugh and sing,
For animals, plants and birds on wing,
We thank You, God, for everything.

We thank You, God, for everyone,
Our parents, friends, Your only Son,
For Work and health, and play for fun,
We thank You, God, for all You do,

For those on earth and in heaven,
too,
And when we join You in the life anew,
We'll thank You, God, forever too.
—Tony Kroenke

Judie Bator to Attend Nebraska Girls' State

"Judie Bator receives the honor to represent St. Bonaventure at Nebraska Girls' State." This good news came to the student body last Thursday.

To be eligible one must have outstanding qualifications in leadership, honesty, good character; must rank in the upper half of the junior class scholastically; must have a serious attitude toward an intensive citizenship training.

Bator fills all these requirements to a "T". Besides maintaining an "A" minus average in class work, Judie finds time for extra curricular activities including membership in the Young Ladies Sodality, the Third Order of St. Francis, Glee Club, Pep Club, Youth Center, and varsity cheerleader. And also taking part in music, Democracy, O.G.A., O.A.T., Latin, poetry, United Nations, and shorthand contests. An outstanding student in Latin, Judie plans to attend college, then teach high school Latin. Delores Shefcyk will be the alternate.

The purpose of this project, by the American Legion Auxiliary, is to bring to the girls of Nebraska a knowledge of the fundamental principles of American Government through actual participation and control of the State offices during Girls' State.

St. Bonaventure Girls' Stater will be sponsored again this year by the Court Little Flower of The Catholic Daughters of America.

Lincoln will be host to the girls during the week of June 11-17.

The Master Artist

Who painted the sky, and hung up the sun?
Who drew the white clouds, and made the brooks run?
Who colored the moon, and hung out the stars?
Who made the flowers, of colors so bright?
Who made the birds, so swift in their flight?
What great artist, waved His magic rod?
The Greatest of all, of course, it was God.

—Don Mostek



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Going to Vote Proves Fascinating Diversion

Going to the polls to vote the County Government Ticket proved a fascinating diversion to all classmen, because voting did not take anyone from the homeroom for a change.

After a speedy, but accurate and careful vote count by Virginia Mimick, Betty Wozny, Ted Pfeifer, and Dennis Shefcyk behind locked doors, the following results became good news for the lucky candidates.
Clerk Mary Ellen Minette
Register of Deeds Dolores Shefcyk
Supervisor Dick Sansoni
Judge Mark Liebig
Agent Dale Hanke
Assistance Director Kathy Shonka
Clerk of District JoAnn Bothe
Courts Judy Tyle
Treasurer Tony Kroenke
Assessor Carrol Wemhoff
Attorney Judy Bator
Superintendent of Clures Hobbensiefken
School Judy Bator
Home Demonstrator Judy Bator
Highway Engineer LeRoy Hamling

On Meditations and Distractions

Dear Lord, I try to meditate
On things I know I should,
Like how to live, and what to do
To make me strong and good.

But gosh, its hard to meditate
With distractions all around me,
Like Mary's beau, and Johnny's pranks
Which surely do astound me.

But with Your Grace I'm sure I can,
And will be strong and good
And may be after twenty years
Think only what I should.
—Elaine Wieser

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The Waiting Goal

Jesus, my master, merciful and pure,
Help me through sufferings I must endure;
To gain that ever blessed place,
Where people go, whate'er their race.

Help me to be patient, true and kind;
And keep You always on my mind.
The path may be narrow and hard and long;
But I'll merit heaven, if You make me strong.
—Larry Minette

Prayer Changes Things

I have prayed for courage,
Longed for stability;
I have sought for patience,
And longed for humility.

Thankful for my burdens,
Grateful for each task;
Give me strength to bear them—
This is all I ask!
—Robert Stachura

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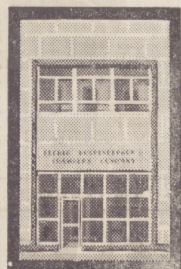
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THE VENTURE



Senior Sodalists Take Limelight In May Crowning Ceremonies Room Officers Lead Groups

With the senior Sodalists taking the limelight and the lead, the solemn crowning of the Blessed Mother opened the May devotion at St. Bonaventure.

At seven-thirty, the room officers, wearing blue capes or blue stoles, lead the respective classes in procession. Junior high sodalists entered the Church first followed by the sophomores, juniors, and finally the seniors.

Margaret Crowns Our Lady
Vice-prefect, Margaret Mielak, wearing bridal attire, crowned Our Lady. Prefect, Ted Pfeifer, assisted Margaret. Maid of Honor, Elaine Boettcher and Janet Markytan, and Rose Marie Kellman carried arm bouquets of pink snaps. Marian Skorupa carried the crown of miniature red roses on a white satin pillow. All the other senior girls present, carried lace baskets filled with sweet peas. These bouquets and baskets of flowers decked Our Lady's bier after the crowning. To

the senior boys was accorded the privilege of acting as guards of honor.

Girls Carry Statue
Rose Mary Siemek, Delores Roebuck, Kathleen Briggs, and Jo Ann Woodworth carried the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in procession. During the procession, the saying of the rosary was alternated with appropriate May hymns in praise of Mary.

Seniors Receive Rosary
At a lasting remembrance of this final group consecration, each senior present received a black or white rosary made by Sister M. Gerarda, Sodality Moderator.

Officers Will Be Installed

Installation of the new general officers of the Mystical Rose Sodality will take place sometime in the middle of May. The officers elected by the student body constitute, Prefect—Pat Tooley; Vice-Prefect—Judy Tylle; Treasurer—Tony Kroenke; and Secretary—Judie Bator.

Upon graduation of the seniors currently holding these offices, the juniors will assume the new duties for the summer and coming school year.

Directly under the parish daily adoration bulletin hangs a new one bearing names of Sodalist adorers. To begin with, the Sodalists pledge half-hour adoration periods, whereas the adult group has hourly rotation.

Social Hall Displays Twinkling Stars In Bonnie Annual Junior-Senior Prom Juniors Offer Farewell Token

Beneath a sky of twinkling stars the juniors of St. Bonaventure gave a token of appreciation to the departing seniors of 1957 at the annual Junior-Senior Prom. "When You Wish Upon a Star", was the theme carried out in the most important social event of the year which was held May 6, in the Social Hall.

At 6 o'clock the junior class president, Paul Langan, together with his date, Kathy Kurtenbach, led the promenade from the high school to the monastery where Fathers Roch, Kenneth and Timothy joined the group. The youngsters stopped for a brief visit to the Blessed Sacrament. The procession then wound its way to the social hall where the members of the faculty and guests of honor awaited the carefree group.

Father Roch Leads Grace

After being led in grace by Father Roch the party was seated at a large U-shaped table facing the stage. The center piece for the main table consisted of a glittering star encircled with a blue ruffle. Two miniature graduates stood upon it. On either side arrangements of red roses and white snaps together with blue candles completed the setting. Red roses in bud vases adorned the side tables. Crystal star holders held the candles. At each place was a blue and silver nutcup and a blue-covered memory book inscribed with "Wishing on a Star."

Rambour Featured Speaker

Paul Langan, toastmaster for the evening, introduced Don Kaminski

Toastmaster Club Judges Designate Contest Winner

Last evening, the freshmen-sophomore finalists in the Optimist Oratorical Contest appeared before the Toastmaster Club judges, Messrs. Orval Cooley, Charles Dickey, and Elmer Miessler.

After the tallying of the points, the following announcement came:

First place—Jack Odgaard.
Second place—Dennis Hilger.
Third place—Pat Keating.

On May 26, 27, and 28, St. Bon's first place winner will attend the district finals in Omaha where fifty-four other boys from three states will try for first place. This winner will attend the International Contest to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Robert Stemper To Fill Assistant Coaching Job

Robert Stemper of Bellwood will fill the assistant coaching position here at St. Bon's which was vacated by Charles Wolever, the new head coach.

Mr. Stemper, a student at Kearney State, will graduate this spring with a B. A. degree in education. At St. Bon's he will be an instructor in shop and craft classes.

A graduate of Bellwood High School, Mr. Stemper participated in basketball for four years there and was also a letter winner at Kearney State.

Group Take Trip

Mrs. James Mitera, Y'Vonne Mitera, Joan Schaefer, and Betty Wozny drove to Wichita, Kansas, for a business and pleasure trip.

Joan and Betty spent most of the time shopping, while Mrs. Mitera and Y'Vonne visited the Wichita-Saint Joseph Hospital.

After meeting with Sister Rebecca, head of the X-ray department, and Dr. Fitzgerald, Radiologist at the hospital, the party drove to Hutchinson, Kansas, to visit with friends.

who gave the welcome speech for the juniors. Alfred Hanus responded for the seniors.

A delicious dinner was prepared by the junior mothers. Sophomore girls helped with the serving. Breaded veal chops featured the menu. Also served was juice, baked potatoes, buttered peas, fruit salad, dinner rolls, ice cream, brownies, milk and coffee.

Immediately following the dinner, Judy Bator gave a toast to the seniors, "The Pathway," and Kathy Briggs presented a talk entitled "The Stars." Joan Badstieber, senior class president, read the class will. Climaxing the banquet, Mr. Louis Rambour gave a most interesting speech. Father Roch made a few remarks and gave the closing benediction.

Combo Furnishes Dance Music

Following the banquet the dance was held. The social hall was turned into a garden. Rose covered trellises divided stone walls on both sides of the hall. To the right was a shrine to the Sacred Heart and on the left was a shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A panel covering the front of the

stage had the theme written in blue letters against a background of clouds and stars. On each side were three large candles with a silver star. Tiny stars hung from the curtains on the stage. Red, blue, and green lights reflected hundreds of glittering stars hanging from the ceiling.

A three piece combo from Grand Island furnished the music for the dance which started at 8:30. Chaperons for the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tylle, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Shefcyk, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Tooley, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Shonka.

Certificate Awards Arrive

Certificate awards in the International Bookkeeping Contest came to each participant. Joan Badstieber, Virginia Mimick, Eugenia Podraza, and Darlene Wemhoff's papers merited special recognition. Each girl was awarded an OBE blue and gold pin.

An Honorable Mention Certificate mounted on a mahogany plywood plaque, laminated with gold bevel and gold stripe around the certificate, becomes the school's award in the contest.

St. Bonaventure Band Will Give Seventh Spring Concert Mr. Van Ackeren Will Direct

For the seventh consecutive year, the St. Bonaventure Band will give its spring concert. The concert, under the direction of Mr. Joseph J. Van Ackeren, will be presented at the Kramer High auditorium on the evening of May 10.

Band Plays Contest Piece

The highly-rated band, which recently received an "excellent" at the district music contest, will begin the program with one of the contest pieces, "Beaded Belts." This will be followed by "The Glass Slipper," a musical description of Cinderella. Selected for the third number will be the band's second contest piece, "Pearl Fishers." Rounding out the first section of the concert will be "La Cumparista," a snappy tango; "Wait For The Wagon," and "King Cotton," a short, rhythmic march.

Ensembles Will Be Heard

The second section of the concert will consist entirely of ensemble solos and novelty numbers. A horn quartet, composed of Elaine Boettcher, Pat Wiedel, Maureen Micek, and Betty Wozny will play "The Four Hornsmen," followed by Ted Pfeifer, on the tenor saxophone with "Nola," and Elaine Weiser playing "Chartreuse" on the baritone.

Charter Members Play Last Time
Featured this year will be the

last two charter members, Rose Mary Siemek and Y'Vonne Mitera playing trumpet and clarinet in "A Georgia Camp Meeting." This will be followed by two novelty numbers, "Crazy Composer" and "The Typewriter."

Concert March Concludes Program

The third section will start with "Holiday of The Winds," with Y'Vonne Mitera leading the clarinets. The "Cat and The Fiddle" from the show of the same name will be followed by "Blue Fantasy" and "Dedication." The final touch will be given to the concert with "March Forth" a snappy concert march.

Welch-Cummings Present College Players, Singers

Merton Welch, director of the Norfolk Junior College band, and R. C. Cummings, director of the vocal groups, gave St. Bonaventure students an enjoyable concert during the annual spring tour.

To keep interest high, a varied program was offered featuring . . .

- Concert Band.
- Women's Ensemble.
- Gentlemen of Note.
- Mixed Ensemble.
- Solos.
- Novelty Numbers.

All types of music and songs, including modern Calypso, concert overtures and marches, elicited hearty applause.

Marian Shonka, St. Bonaventure grad of 1956, introduced Mr. J. J. Van Ackeren as guest conductor of the Black Hawk Band.

Students Eagerly Await Annual Award Assembly

A day which all the students eagerly await is awards day. On this day, outstanding students will receive recognition for achievements both scholastically and in extra curricular activities. The Elks Scholarship also will be presented at this assembly which will take place on May 17, at 2 P. M.

Father Roch will distribute the well-earned awards to the deserving students.

Since The Venture goes to press before the recognition is given, names cannot be published at this time.

Boettcher Will Receive \$400 College Scholarship

Duchesne College will award Elaine Boettcher a \$400, four-year scholarship this coming fall.

This scholarship is given annually to deserving students. It is based on a competitive examination taken last February, on grades, personality, and character.

Elaine plans to major in sociology while attending Duchesne College.

Queens

"I crown you queen." These words spoken so frequently puts the "Queen" idea before the public eye in the news section of almost every daily paper.

Every university, college, and high school crown a Homecoming queen, Sports' Day queen, Sweet-heart queen, et al.

In Nebraska, the Ak-Sar-Ben queen and court rule during the autumn festival. From the Southern States, the Mardi Gras Queen, Cotton Queen Magnolia Queen, Orange Bowl Queen and Sugar Queen take the bow. California honors the Rose Bowl Queen in a pageantry of floral floats. Other titles abound to fit the season in certain sections of the country or a specific day.

May heralds the crowning of the Queen of all times, for all places, for all men—Mary, Queen of heaven and earth.

Not Queen for just a day, but Queen for all time, Mary, Queen of angels and men, accept this diadem of un fading blossoms today and every day—my rosary.

Mary

Her name is Mary
Her month is May,
Her home is heaven,
We follow her way.

We pray the rosary,
On her request
Her image we see
While doing our best.

She shows us the light,
Which is the way,
To heaven so bright
Let this be our pay.

Relax

Summer vacation to most students means days of relaxation. But, to another some it portends anticipated days of dread. "Why on earth this odd notion," you ask.

Simply this. Non-participation in extra-curricular activities during the school term has engendered a spirit of boredom. This spirit, in turn, will have more leisure in which to grow during vacation.

Liven up the coming summer by actually taking part in things never tried before; e. g. keep in contact with school mates by joining the group in swimming, boating, picnicing, and any other summer sports promoted by the gang.

Then, when the old familiar bong sounds the call to fall classes, a wealth of interesting experiences will make good conversation topics. And what is best, will be the ease to get back into regular school work after a super-enjoyable vacation.

Summer offers the time to perk up and work off some of that winter surplus of weight and spring laziness, and not the time to wilt away and mope.

Last Charter Members Leave

This year the band loses the last two charter members. Rose Mary Siemek and Y'Vonne Mitera joined the band when it was first organized in 1950. The two girls have witnessed the band's increase in number and ability.

"Do you remember those funny uniforms all wore in the first parade?" quoted Rose Mary, "Now the band members can be proud to be seen marching as a unit because of the dress uniforms rather than the old green sweaters and white trousers of the first appearance."

Rose Mary and Y'Vonne will retain many memories connected with the band such as, State Band Day, playing or performing at the home and for out-of-town games; the thrill (or chill) of practicing on the foot-ball field as the sun begins to emerge from its night's rest, and the glory of the spring and winter concerts.

One thing doesn't seem right to the two girls though—the gradual decrease in members. "Without too much difficulty, a 75 piece band could be organized," sighs Y'Vonne. "Too many students lack interest in music and what it takes to build a fine band."

Queen of Peace

The stars and stripes, the red, white, and blue

Immaculate Lady belong to you.

We fly to thy patronage, and pray for thy aid.

O Mother Immaculate, how can you ever be repaid?

Keep us from sin and sadness,

Fill our hearts with peace and gladness

Help us fight in all temptations

Help us find salvation

Protect us, defend us, Our Lady most dear

In danger, in battle, O Mother be near

Our Lady of Victory, Queen of Peace

Queen of Peace, Queen of Peace.

Orchids

A truck load of orchids to the following:

Father Roch, for his excellent work and improvements in the school and his help toward all students.

Father Timothy, for all the work he has done in building up the sports program.

Father Kenneth, for his interest in the music department.

Father Melchior, for his fine work with the science and math classes.

Sister Rayneria, for her guidance and all the extra work in behalf of all the students.

Faculty, for the numberless hours spent in helping the students individually and as a group throughout the year.

The students, advertisers, patrons and friends, for the good school spirit so necessary to make a good school.

Bonnie Tells Tales

Leroy Seiler

When Did He Arrive? Columbus, Nebraska, March 9, 1940.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. Edward Seiler.

Where Early Schooling? Monroe Public School.

What Study Proves Most Interesting? Typing on the new IBM's with that delicate touch.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Working with model airplanes.

Likes and Dislikes at St. Bon's? Likes everything at St. Bon's. No dislikes.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? Join the Air Force and race with the Comets.

Terrie Sue Cadwallader

When Did She Arrive? Grand Island, Nebraska in 1942.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cadwallader.

Where Early Schooling? Queen of the Rosary Academy, on Long Island, New York.

What Study Proves Most Interesting? English.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Having Y'Vonne Adams teach me to ride a horse.

What Are Some Likes At St. Bon's? Youth Center.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? Secretary.

Jack Odgaard

When Did He Arrive? December 4, 1941, in Omaha, Nebraska.

To What Family? Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Odgaard.

Where Early Schooling? Fort Riley Public School and St. Bonaventure Grade School.

What Studies Prove Most Interesting? All subjects are favorites.

How Is Leisure Time Spent? Music, philatelist, numismatist, boating, fishing, hunting, swimming, scouting and scholarships.

Crystal Ball Gazing Says? Study hard and keep an eye out for scholarships. I would like to apply at West Point.

By These Sayings You Can Spot 'Em

Dolores S.—All right, I don't know.

Judy T.—Oh, really.

Mr. W.—What can I do you for?

Helen G.—Oh, fish.

Barbara S.—You old scrounge.

David M.—You bet.

George A.—You get all the luck.

Sister R.—What's this business.

Joe W.—Holy Cow!

Dennis S.—Shut up.

Elaine W.—I'm going to cuss.

Mr. C.—They have a tendency. . .

Tony K.—Too piercing, man, too piercing.

Jerry C.—Goody, goody, goody.

Father T.—Like wise.

Nancy B.—Hey, kid.

Pat W.—What the Dick?

Sister C.—What's that.

Judy P.—All right, already.

Kathy S.—Blast it.

Elaine B.—You better believe it.

Joan L.—That's the way the cookie crumbles.

Mr. V. A.—Ye gods, people!

Happy Birthday Add Another Candle

May	
1	Leroy Hamling
4	Larry Minette
5	Dick Sansoni
17	Norbert Peterson
	Edna Tworek
18	Robert Reuss
21	Roberta Podraza
23	Jane Woodworth
26	Julie Ann Litjen
28	Raymond Micek
	Melba Koci
30	Clures Hobbensefken
31	Karen Carrig

Ode To The Seniors

Best Wishes to the Senior Class of 1957! May your blessings be many, and your hardships few in your life's goal ahead.

Graduation is such a beautiful time in your life, especially when your education has been strengthened by God's help through the Fathers and Sisters at Saint Bonaventure's.

Your life may be compared to a book dedicated to God. As you started your education the pages were being opened and turned—each year a new page—until now you are part way through. May the remainder of the book contain as many pleasant memories and thoughts as the pages that have been turned thus far.

Each one of you has a particular job in this world, and we know, you, the Seniors of 1957, will make yourselves a class to be proud of in the years to come.

The road you travel may be very rough at times, but with strong faith in God's Providence, no problem will be too difficult to conquer or to solve.

Through the intercession of God and our Blessed Mother Mary, we, the freshmen, wish you God speed, God's blessing, and every success in all your ventures whether they be near or far.

Someday may the pages in your book turn to gold, and close with a heavenly reward.

—Melba Mary Koci

And Away We Go!

Listen, you hepsters, and you shall hear

Of a real gone cat named Paul Revere.

On the eighteenth of April in '75, Before the years of jump and jive, Paul said to a friend at the trading post,

"You are the cat I dig the most, So I'll let you in on a secret, pops, Those British squares are blowing their tops.

So cut out, man, for the North Church tower, And shoot me the downbeat within the hour.

A couple of lanterns will do the trick, And over the river I'll be looking across,

From a sitting position on top of my horse."

"One, if by land; two, if by sea, If they don't come at all, it's a horse on me!"

So later when Paul saw the lights glow, His wife brought the horse and said, "Go, man, go!"

The horse took off with a real gone beat Through every Middlesex alley and street,

And Paul kept yelling in a cool B-flat, "The British are coming!"

How about that? And the cry went up from a thousand throats,

"Don't fire till you dig those crazy red coats."

So you know what the rest of the story's about, How the Minutemen fired, and the Redcoats cut out,

And thus they defeated both British and Hessian, They went back to the inn for a crazy jam session.

And that's why all of you cats are here, Because of the real gone Paul Revere,

But Paul wasn't doing a single, of course, We've got to give some credit to his horse.

He wasn't the world's fastest nag, I suppose, But, heck, I wish I'd had two on his nose!

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Shamrock Shenanigans

Pud S. to Joan B. "Hey, that fence you have around your bun is coming off."

Mr. V. A. "The clarinet section sounded better before—some of you weren't playing."

Father M. "The best board of education is one that's hard enough and applied low enough."

Mrs. H. (after alarm lock goes off in senior Literature) "From now on, we'll set the alarm at 10:00 each morning to wake everyone up."

Joni S. "Will you go to the hospital with me to see the baby show?"

Betty W. "I don't know. Is it class A?"

Y'Vonne M. discouraged by the snow in April commented, "I hate to wear overshoes the night of the prom. They don't even match my formal."

Mrs. H's daughter, Ann, is helping her mother make up questions for some of her tests. An example of Ann's questions: Yes or no—(1) Dick Tracy is a nomad. (2) Elvis Presley discovered Africa!

It was said that through the years of high school the pupils became lax in their answers, but it has been proved different here. These are the various answers given in class:

Freshman: I don't know.

Sophomore: I'm not prepared.

Junior: I do not remember.

Senior: I don't believe I can add anything to what has already been said.

In taking the Popularity Poll, it was noted that Mike Micek and Darlene Wemhoff received some votes for "most likely to succeed." This isn't too surprising!

Mr. V. A. gave the band members safety instructions before leaving for the contest, "You older people help the younger people (Freshies) get across the street."

Complaint: Why should freshman bow to seniors? What is this, a dictatorship?

Have you heard the latest? Try brushing your teeth with Life Buoy soap. Ask Nancy Beck how it tastes.

Sister R. "The County Government election was close—for instance this one—103 to 109."

Virgil L. "Who won?" Sister R. "The one with 109."

Bea M. "If I don't get enough sleep at night I get circles under my arms."

Bea M. to Jane H. "If you don't look out, Jane, I'll knock you on your feet."

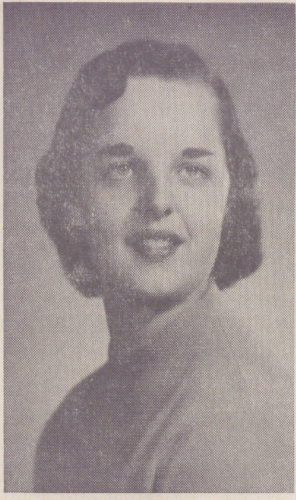
Mary J. M. "Have you ever seen a mummy?"

Jerry K. "Yah, I see my mummy every day."

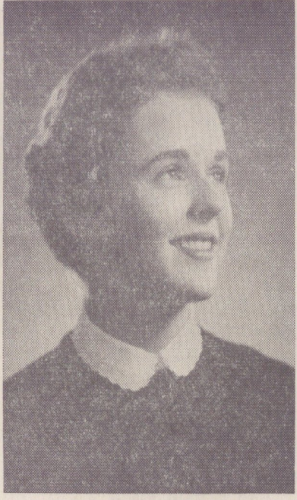
Mr. V. A. being annoyed by a bee in the band room suggested, "Let's start playing and maybe it will leave."

Bonnies Agenda Events Acomin'

May	
1	May Crowning
1	District Tournament (second round)
3	Senior Sneak Day
5	Silver Sacerdotal Jubilee of Reverend Oswin Kemmer
6	Junior-Senior Prom
7	Freshman-Sophomore Hop
7	District Finals (baseball)
7	Junior High Track Meet
	Schuyler
10	Spring Concert
14	Otoe, (tentative)
16-17	Final Exams for the Seniors
17	Award Day
17	Seniors Dismissed
17	Seward, Concordia
19	Ascension Day
20	Creighton, St. Ludger
22-23	Final Exams
24	Close of School
26	Corporate Communion for the Seniors at 8 o'clock Mass followed by Senior Breakfast at cafeteria.
26	Graduation Ceremonies in Church at 8 P.M. Grad Reception in the Social Hall after Church Services.



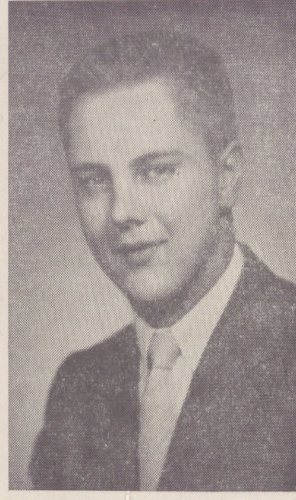
JOAN BADSTIEBER - "Joanie" - Band 2, 3, 4; Band Day 2; Annual Typist 4; Bookkeeping Contest 4; Choral Clinic 2; Class Play 4; Class President 4; Class Secretary 2; County Government 3; Democracy Contest 3; Glee 1, 2; Junior Librarian 3; Mock U. N. Delegate 3; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Press Convention 3, 4; Pep Band 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 3, 4; Student Council Secretary 4; Venture Editor 4; Venture Reporter 1, 2, 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Poem Contest 3; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Shorthand Contests 4; Attendant for Queen of Hearts 4.



ELAINE ROETCHER - "E. E." - Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3; Brass Quartet 2; Centennial Parade 1; Horn Quartet 3, 4; Horn Duet 4; Band Day 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Choir 1, 2, 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; County Government 3; Class Play 4; Class Secretary-treasurer 1; Class President 3; Democracy Contest Runner-up 3; Mock U. N. Delegate 4; Press Convention 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 2, 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Sodality 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Venture Reporter 1, 2; Venture Co-editor 3; Venture Editor 4; Annual Editor 4; Legion of Mary 1, 2; Vice-president 2; Science Club Vice President 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Poem Contest 3; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Regent Scholarship Alternate 4; Science Fair 4.



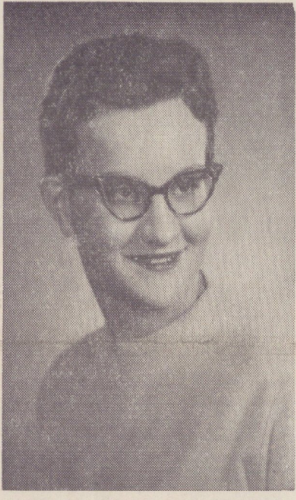
PATRICIA WIEDEL - "Pat" - Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 2, 3, 4; Band Day 2; Horn Quartet 3, 4; Horn Duet 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Accompanist 4; Adult Choir 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Organist 1, 4; Triple Trio 4; Jr. Triple Trio Accompanist 1; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; State Music Convention 4; Venture Staff 1, 2, 3, 4; Venture Editor 4; Press Convention 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Annual Co-Editor 4; Legion of Mary 1, 2; Officer 1; Sodality 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club Officer 4; Class Play 4; Democracy Contest 3; Shorthand Contest 4; Bookkeeping Contest 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4.



MICHAEL MICEK - "Mike" - Class President 1; Sec.-Treas. 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Press Convention 3; Winner 3; County Government 3; Class Play 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Annual Business Manager 4; True Voice All Star Team 4; Honorable Mention from The World Herald and The Lincoln Journal and Star 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Venture Reporter 1, 2; Assistant Sports Writer 3; Venture Editor 4; Sodality 3, 4; Altar Boy 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Rotarian 4; Science Club 4; Democracy Contest 3.



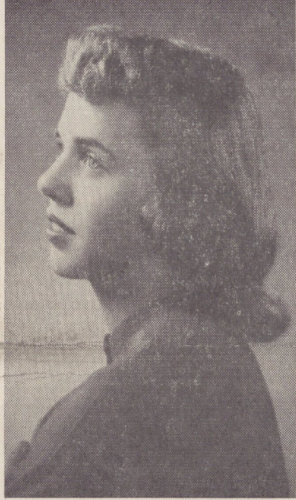
MARGARET MIELAK - "Marshat" - Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Sax Trio 3; Pep Band 1, 3; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Jr. Triple Trio 1; Sextet 3; Triple Trio 4; Double Duo 4; Pep Club 3, 4; Pep Club President 3; Cheerleader 2, 4; Sodality 3, 4; Vice Prefect 4; Jr. Librarian 3; Class Vice-Pres. 1; Girl's State 3; Senior Class Play 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; State Music Clinic 3; Homecoming Attendant 4; County Government 3; Poem Contest 3; Venture Reporter 2, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; St. Mary's Scholarship Winner 4.



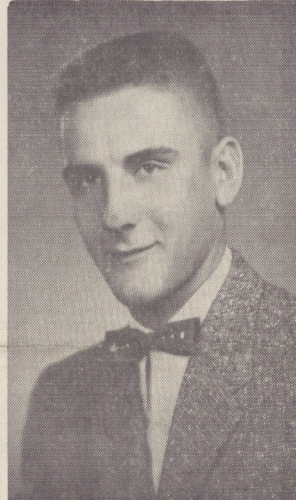
JO ANN WOODWORTH - "Jo" - Glee 1, 2; Band 1; Majorette 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3; Music Contest 1, 2; Choral Clinic 1, 2; Sodality 3, 4; Officer 3; Legion of Mary 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Play Student Director 4; Democracy Contest 3, 4; Poetry Contest 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Librarian 2, 3, 4.



KATHLEEN BRIGGS - "Kathy" - Band 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Triple Trio 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Democracy Contest 3, 4; United Nations 3, 4; Band Day 2; District Music Contest 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 2, 4; Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4; Sextet 3; Double Duo 4; Choir 4; Jr. Librarian 2; Annual Staff 4.



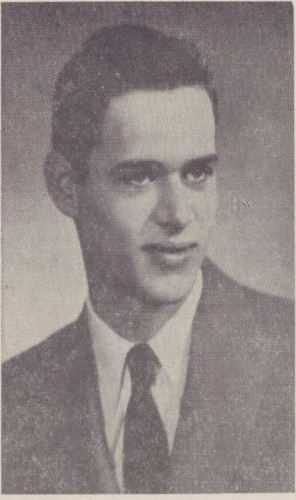
DARLENE WEMHOFF - "Dolly" - Pep Club 3, 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Student Association 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2; Student Council Officer 2; Mock U. N. Delegate 4; Sodality 3, 4; BFW Bookkeeping Contest 4; Choral Clinic 4; Music Contest 3, 4; Shorthand Contest 3, 4; Youth Center 3, 4; Triple Trio 4; Queen of Hearts 4.



DENNIS SHEFCYK - "Pud" - Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Homecoming King 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; State Track Meet 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2, 4; President 4; Sodality 3, 4; Prefect 3; County Government 3; Class President 2; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Fair 3; Annual Staff 4.



Y'VONNE MITERA - "Yogi" - Chorus 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 2; Pep Club 1, 2, 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center Officer 3; Junior Librarian 3; Constitution Contest 3; Mock U. N. Delegate 3, 4; County Government 3; Venture Reporter 1, 2, 3; Venture Editor 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Clarinet Quartet 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State Music Contest 3; All-State Scholarship Winner 3; Music Clinic 4; Class Play 4; Science Club 4.



THEODORE PFEIFER - "Ted" - Altar Boy 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Student Manager 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 1, 2; County Government 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center Officer 3; Student Council 3; Vice-President 3; Sodality 3, 4; Sodality Prefect 4; Saxophone Trio 3; Class Play 4; Annual Photographer 4; Venture Reporter 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Rotarian 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Centennial Parade 1; King of Hearts 4.



VIRGINIA MIMICK - "Forthysania" - Sodality 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club President 4; Cheerleader 3; Student Council 4; Junior Librarian 2; Democracy Contest 4; County Government 3; Mock U. N. Delegate 3; Triple Trio 2, 3, 4; Ave Maria Choir 1; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Constitution Contest 3; Senior Class Play 4; Shorthand Contest 3, 4; Bookkeeping Contest 4; Annual Staff 4; Venture Staff 3, 4; Sextet 3; Choir 1, 2, 3; Girls State Alternate 3; Attendant for Queen of Hearts.



ELAINE WIESER - "Little Wieser" - Glee 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 3, 4; Legion of Mary 3, 4; Newspaper reporter 1, 2; Venture Editor 3; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Shorthand Contest 3; Democracy Contest 3, 4; Class Play 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Press Convention Winner 4; Press Convention 4; Poetry Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 2; Pep Band 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Science Club 4; Band Day 2; Regent Scholarship Winner 4.



MARIAN SKORUPA - "Tiny" - Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; State Music Clinic 4; Triple Trio 4; Sextet 3; Choir 1, 2; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President 3; Class Play 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Sodality 3, 4; Sodality Secretary 4; Annual Staff 4; Junior Librarian 2; Democracy Contest 3; OGA Shorthand Contest 3, 4; BFW Bookkeeping Contest 4; County Government 3.



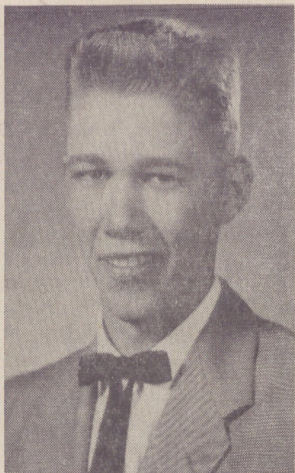
ROSEMARY SIEMEK - "Rosa" - Class Vice-president 2; Class Sec.-Treas. 4; Class Play Director 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Vice-President 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club Vice-President 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Triple Trio 4; Cornet Trio 1, 2; Band Day 2; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; State Music Contest 4; Sodality 3, 4; Sextet 3; Junior Triple Trio 1; Double Duo 4; Centennial Parade 1.

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JOAN SCHAEFER - "Joni" - Pep Club 2, 3; Glee 1, 2, 3; Chorus 2; Class Play 4; County Government 1; Speech Contest 3; Sodality 4; Sodality Officer 4; Music Contest 1, 2; Book-keeping Contest 4



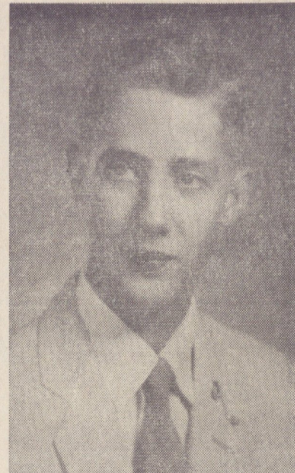
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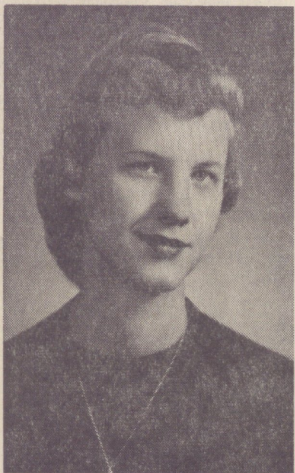
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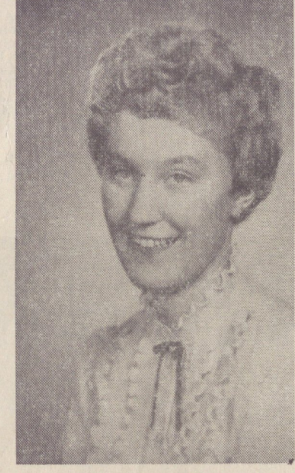
RALPH HADCOCK - "Amos" - Glee 1; Knights of Altar 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club Program Chairman 4; Class Play 4; Science Fair 4; Venture Staff 4.



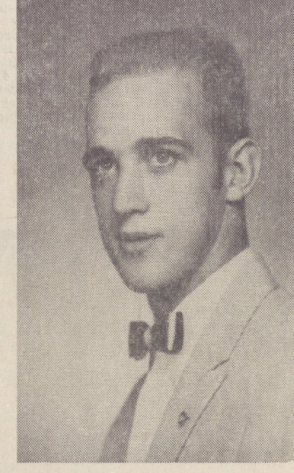
VIRGIL LISS - "Coyote" - Glee 2; Track 1, 2; Senior Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4; Sodality Officer 4; Football 1; Attendant for King of Hearts.



JANET MARKYTAN - "Marky" - Glee 1, 2, 3; Legion of Mary 1, 2, 3; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2; Band Day 2; Majorette 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 3, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3; Choir 1, 2, 3; Venture reporter 3; O. G. A. Shorthand Contest 3, 4; Esterbrook Shorthand Contest 3, 4; BEW Bookkeeping Contest 4.



ROSE MARIE KELLMAN - "Kelly" - Glee 1, 2; Sodality 4; O. G. A. Contest 4; Esterbrook Contest 4; Book-keeping Contest 4; Legion of Mary 1, 2, 4; Choral Clinic 2; Pep Club 4; Chair 1, 2, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Class Play 4; Newspaper Reporter 4; Music Contest 2; Press Convention 4; C. D. A. Poetry Contest 2.



JOSEPH WOERTH - "Joe" - Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 2, 3, 4; Trombone Quartet 1; Trombone Trio 2; Trombone Duet 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Track 1; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Board Member 4; Sodality 3, 4; Treasurer 4; County Government 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 4.



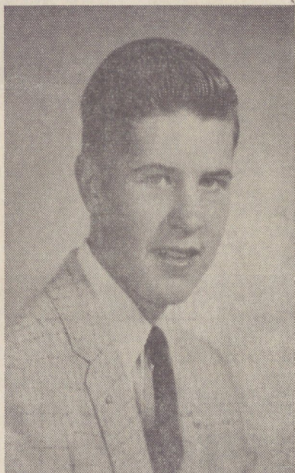
DELORES ROEBUCK - "Dee" - Band 2, 3; Pep Club 2, 3; Triple Trio 1, 4; County Government 3; Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Bookkeeping Contest 4; Sodality 3; Sodality Officer 3; Music Contest 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 2, 4; Youth Center 2, 3; Pep Band 2, 3; Band Day 2; Choir 2, 3, 4; Junior Librarian 2.



DARLENE BOLLIG - "Darl" - Book-keeping Contest 4; Shorthand Contest 3; Toastmasters Speech Contest 2; Poem Contest 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 2, 3; Music Contest 2, 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 1; Legion of Mary 3, 4; C. D. A. 2; Sodality 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Annual Staff 4; Choral Clinic 2, 3; Legion of Mary officer 4.



MARIETTA LIEBIG - "Etta" - Pep Club 1, 2, 3; Class Play 4; Sodality 4; Librarian 3, 4; O. G. A. Contest 4; Esterbrook Contest 4; County Government 3; U. N. Delegate 4; Chamber of Commerce debate in Norfolk 4.



ALFRED HANUS - "Al" - County Government 3; Choir 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club President 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 1; Class Treasurer 2; Class Vice-President 3; Sodality Unit Officer 4.



NANCY BECK - "Nan" - Glee Club 1, 2; Sodality 3, 4; Venture Reporter 1, 2; Venture Co-editor 3; Venture Editor 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Choir 1, 2; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Mock U. N. Delegate 3; Student Council 4.



CAROLYN CLARK - "Clarky" - Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee 1, 2; Choir 1, 2, 4; Legion of Mary 4; Sodality 3, 4; O. G. A. Contest 3; Esterbrook Contest 3; Choral Clinic 2; Music Contest 1, 2; Book-keeping Contest 4.



CLIFFORD FINKBAL - "Cliff" - Glee 1, 2; Student Council 2, 4; Youth Center 3, 4; Board Member 4; County Government 3; Music Contest 1, 2; Senior Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4; Attendant for King of Hearts 4.



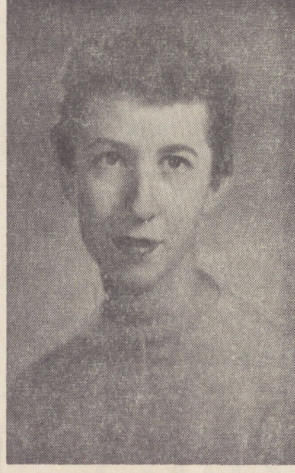
EUGENIA PODRAZA - "Gene" - Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 3, 4; Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4; Bookkeeping Contest 4; County Government 3; Democracy Contest 4; Class Officer 4; Poem Contest 4.



LEONA PAPROCKI - "Ona" - Glee 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Triple Trio 1; Double Duo 4; Choral Clinic 1, 2, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Sodality 3, 4; Class Play 4; Annual Staff 4; Music Contest 1, 2, 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 4; Poetry Contest 3; Sodality Unit Perfect 4; Choir 1, 2, 3.



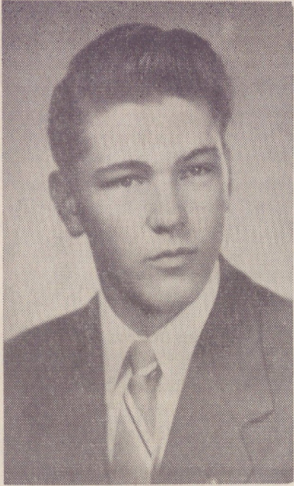
MARY JANE MOSER - "Moss" - Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society 2, 3, 4; Triple Trio 3, 4; Trio 3; Horn Solo 2, 3; Brass Sextet 2, 3; Brass Quintet 3; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Music Clinic 4; Music 1, 2, 3; Adult Choir 4; Class Play 4.



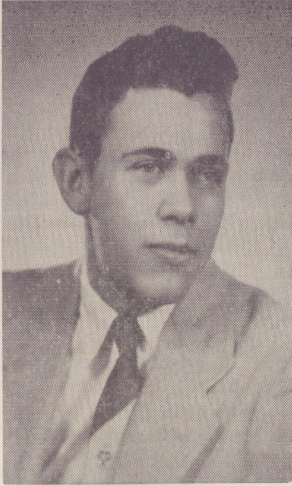
ELIZABETH WOZNY - "Betty" - Band 2, 3, 4; Glee 2; Pep Band 4; Sodality 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Day 2; Choral Clinic 2; Music Contest 2, 3, 4; Youth Center 1, 2; County Government 3; Class Play make-up director 4.



CORINNE SEBEK - "Corky" - Glee 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Sodality 3, 4; BEW Bookkeeping Contest 4; Shorthand Contests 3, 4; Music Contest 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 2, 4; Venture Reporter 3; Annual Staff 4; Youth Center 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Pep Club 3, 4.



SALVIN ZOUCHA - "Sal" - Glee 1, 2; Class Play 4; Youth Center 4.



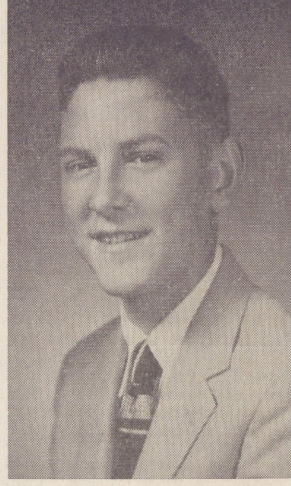
LARRY DISCHNER - "Happy" - Poetry Contest 1; Glee 2; Class Play 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4.



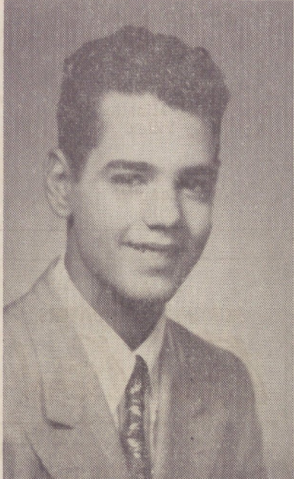
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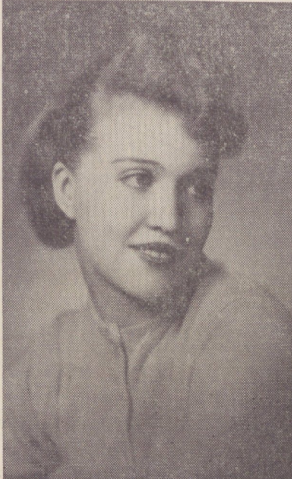
DWAYNE JOHNSON - "Nigger" - Glee 2; Track 1, 2; Senior Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4.



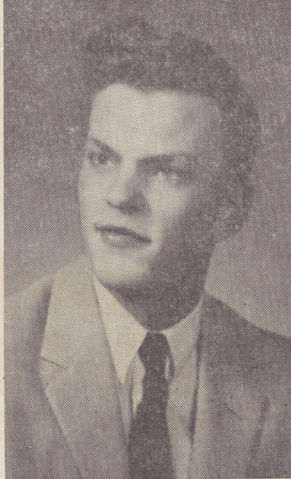
JACK JONES - "Jack" - Glee 1; Sodality 3, 4; Senior Class Play 4; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4.



RICHARD PENSICK - "Rich" - Football 1; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4.



ROBERTA PODRAZA - "Bert" - Sodality 3, 4; Glee 2, 3, 4; Choral Clinic 2, 4; Music Contest 2, 3, 4.



ROBERT STEINER - "Bob" - Track 3, 4; Glee 1; Youth Center 1, 2, 3, 4.

Twenty-Two Seniors Will Visit Denver --- Colorado's Capitol

On May 4 twenty-two members of the senior class will embark on the annual sneak day trip. Father Roch introduced a new idea this year which was very well received by the students—a tour of Colorado's capitol city, Denver.

The trip will begin on Friday night with a bus trip to Fairmont, Nebraska, where the tourists will board a train for Denver.

Upon arriving in Denver the following morning, the seniors will leave immediately on a bus tour of the surrounding country. This trip will include sightseeing through Big Thomson Canon, Hidden Valley, and Loveland, Colorado.

The Auditorium Hotel will provide a safe haven for happily weary sightseers at the days end. Sunday morning the group will

attend Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral. Afterwards all will enjoy a picnic dinner at Evergreen Park. During the remainder of the day time will be spent taking in the points of interest in the city.

The students will arrive in Columbus at 8 A.M. Monday with many happy and fun-filled memories of a wonderful trip.

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Dennis Takes High Hurdles

Dennis Shefeyk placed St. Bonaventure seventh out of 11 Class A schools in the annual Columbus Track Meet. The Shamrock hurdler won the 120 yard high hurdles in 15:9; and placed second in the 180 yard low hurdles, being beat out by a tenth of a second after matching strides with Jim Peterson of Fremont.

Hanke Hits Lone Score

Gary Hembd went all the way for the Irish against Seward Concordia, giving up seven hits and losing 7-1. Leroy Hamling's hit drove in Dale Hanke for the lone score of the Shamrocks.

Box Score

	AB	R	H
Gary Hembd	1	0	0
Dick Sansoni	3	0	0
Leroy Hamling	3	0	1
Don Gablenz	3	0	0
Don Kaminski	2	0	0
Larry Staroscik	3	0	1
Dale Hanke	2	1	0
Allan Kusek	3	0	0
Jim Thalken	2	0	0
Tom Shonka	1	0	0
Total	23	1	2
Jvergensen	4	0	1
Kroger	4	2	0
Bredow	2	0	0
Schweter	3	0	0
Schmidt	4	2	1
Otto	4	3	3
Haffman	4	0	1
Mejer	3	0	0
Total	32	7	7

The Hitter's Prayer

Dear God, when I step to the plate tonight,
Guide my bat straight and fast;
Don't let me stand scared and full of fright,
Dear God, let me smash a blast!

Oh God, my batting average is down,
I've moved from clean-up to eight;
That pitcher looks vicious from the mound,
Oh Lord, don't let me swing too late!

Oh God, here comes that ball a-flyin,
Around sixty from his mitt;
Oh Lord, I'm strainin' and a-tryin'-
Thanks God, for the hit.

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The Man

O Mother, see that poor Man,
Struggling beneath the cross?
Why are they beating Him, Mother?
Look at the blood He has lost.

Behold the crown of thorns
That is pressed into His head;
But His blood-streaked face shows calm
As if He had nothing to dread.

Look now, my dearest Mother.
He is dying upon the tree,
Could that be the Messiah, Mother?
That will make all men's souls free?

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Senior Girls State Plans

Joan Badstieber—Will take a liberal arts course at St. Mary's College in Omaha.

Nancy Beck—Will find a good position. (Maybe a college course will come after the money is earned).

Elaine Boettcher—Will become a social worker.

Darlene Bollig—Will work toward a B.S. degree in nursing arts.

Kathleen Briggs—Will study interior design at Contra Costa Junior College in California.

Carolyn Clark—Will get a good position for the summer and perhaps enter college in the fall.

Rosane Dvorak—Will find a high paying easy job.

Rose Marie Kellman—Will enter upon a college career in September.

Evelyn Koziol—Will take a much-needed vacation. Colorado, California, and Mexico will be visited.

Marietta Liebig—Will go to college.

Janet Markytan—Will continue as dental assistant for Doctor Irwin.

Margaret Mielak—Will attend St. Mary's College in Omaha.

Virginia Mimick—Will enter St. Catherine's School of Nursing in Omaha.

Y'vonne Mitera—Will become an X-Ray Technologist.

Mary Jane Moser—Will enter Mt. St. Scholastica College in Atchison, Kansas.

Leona Paprocki—Will attend nursing school at St. Elizabeth's in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Eugenia Podraza—Will enter nurses' training in Yankton, South Dakota.

Roberta Podraza—Will look for a position.

Delores Roebuck—Will enter nurses' training school at Creighton Memorial, St. Joseph Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska.

Joni Schaefer—Will work during the summer and college thereafter.

Corrine Sebek—Will do secretarial work.

Rose Mary Siemek—Will work in California.

Marian Skorupa—Will enter the School of Nursing at St. Catherine's in Omaha.

Patricia Wiedel—Will go to college in St. Louis, Missouri, in the fall.

Elaine Wieser—Will earn money, enjoy life, and later attend college.

Jo Ann Woodworth—Will attend St. Mary's College in Omaha, Nebraska.

Elizabeth Wozny—Will work this summer and afterwards attend art school.

SENIOR BOYS

Clifford Finkrel—Join the Navy

Larry Dischner—Continue working at Hinky Dinky

Ralph Haddock—Join the Navy in June

Alfred Hanus—Attend college

Gary Hembd—Join the Army in six months

Jack Jones—Attend college

Virgil Liss—Join the Navy

Mike Micek—Attend college

Richard Pensick—Work with a construction company

Ted Pfeifer—Attend college

Dennis Shefcyk—Attend college

Robert Steiner—Work in Columbus

Joe Woerth—Join the Navy in July

Salvin Zoucha—Electronic Trade School in Omaha

Students Take Annual Popularity Poll

	SENIORS	JUNIORS	SOPHOMORES	FRESHMEN
Best Personality	Dennis Shefcyk { Marian Skorupa { Tie { Elaine Boettcher	Pat Tooley { Judy Tylle { Tie { Mary Ellen Minette	Jim Jarecki Joyce Haney	Jim Bator Jane Byrnes
Most Talkative	Mike Micek Pat Wiedel	Tony Kroenke Kathy Shonka	Jim Gregorius Lorraine Jarecki	Ray Syslo Virginia Hembd
Best Dancers	Joe Woerth Margaret Mielak	George Arasmith Lea Markhofer	{ Corky Kusek { Tie { Jim Gregorius Joyce Haney	Bill McAuliff Kathy Borer
Neatest Dressed	Ted Pfeifer Marian Skorupa	Pat Tooley Mary Ellen Minette	Jim Jarecki Joyce Haney	Butch Staroscik Jane Byrnes
Most Marylike	Jack Jones Elaine Weiser	Dennis Daly Judy Tylle	James Schmidt Theresa Langan	Marvin Henggler Margaret Mary Mrzлак
Most Likely to Succeed	Alfred Hanus Elaine Boettcher	Pat Tooley Delores Shefcyk	Jim Thalken Joyce Haney	{ Jack Odgaard { Tie { David Kampovitz Margaret Mary Mrzлак
Most Active	Dennis Shefcyk Elaine Boettcher	Pat Tooley Judie Bator	Corky Kusek Joyce Haney	Bill McAuliff { Connie Cronin { Tie { Peg Gregorius
Handsomest	Ted Pfeifer	Pat Tooley	Jim Thalken	Tom Watkins
Prettiest	Marian Skorupa	Delores Shefcyk	Joyce Haney	Jane Byrnes
Most Humorous	Virgil Liss Rose Mary Siemek	Tony Kroenke Mary Kay Wozny	Francis Krzycki { Lenore Nosal { Tie { Lorraine Jarecki	Larry Minette Judy Pillen
Most Fun To Be With	Dennis Shefcyk Rosemary Siemek	George Arasmith Maureen Micek	Jim Gregorius Joyce Haney	Bill McAuliff Judy Pillen

Brave Ship—St. Bonaventure Carries Senior Passengers To Future Island

Place: Island of The Future
Time: 1967

As the sun rises slowly in the east, we see the brave ship—St. Bonaventure—dock at Future Island. As the gang plank is lowered, the crew and a large number of passengers come to view.

Busily checking the passenger list is the captain, Robert Steiner, with the ship's secretary, Corrine Sebek close at hand. Seen giving the deck a good scrubbing are two "swabbies", Salvin Zoucha and Dwayne Johnson. The cargo manager, Mike Micek, ably assisted by Darlene Wemhoff, is seen helping three "stowaways" on board. A closer look reveals the guilty ones to be—Marietta Liebig, Rosanne Dvorak, and Evelyn Koziol.

Having a tour planned for the afternoon, several of the passengers are hastening toward the sightseeing bus. The bus driver, Ralph Haddock, hurries the passengers along. However, it seems someone is having trouble getting her French Poodle aboard. Sure enough, it's Virginia Mimick.

All goes well until one of the passengers, Pat Wiedel, is seen reeling toward the door, (car sick of course) helped by friend and companion, Marian Skorupa, R.N. The tour is interrupted while she is taken to a near-by clinic where Doctor Richard Pensick is in charge. He is assisted by three student nurses, Eugenia Podraza, Delores Roebuck and Leona Paprocki.

A look around the clinic reveals

only one patient, Nancy Beck. It seems she is suffering from a rare tropical disease, Garitus.

Meanwhile, back at the tour . . . The bus, traveling through Hembd's Hamlet, named after Gary Hembd, the rich oil man, screeches to a halt as the town peddler, Joan Badstieber moves her ware back from the street. One of the passengers, Cliff Finkrel, runs from the bus to help.

As the bus goes on its way, the melodious voice of Virgil Liss is heard as he paddles his canoe down the river, serenading two lovers, Kathy Briggs and Alfred Hanus. Rumor has it that Alfred stole Kathy from the town Casanova, Larry Dischner.

The first stop of the tour is made at the fashionable night club, the "E.A.B." Its owner, Elaine Boettcher, has provided entertainment for the tourists, by the famous duet

of Darlene Bollig and Jack Jones, whose latest hit song is "Cacoon," from the opera "Butterfly."

After being refreshed at the night club, the tour continues on its way through the countryside. A stop is made at the farmhouse of Joe Woerth, the dairy farmer. Joe has been prospering quite rapidly with the help of his dairy-maids, Rosie Siemek and JoAnn Woodworth. As we look around we see the barn being painted an unusual floral design by the great artist, Betty Wozny.

As evening approaches, the bus slowly makes its way back to the ship. A last stop is made at the Carolyn Clark Memorial Museum, built by Jim Cummings in her honor. The guard, Dennis Shefcyk, shows the tourist through the museum. The object that attracts most attention is the statue of Margaret Mielak who was fatally injured by a foul ball while viewing a baseball game at the University of Nebraska.

Back at the ship a "hot" game of checkers is in progress between American checker champion, Yvonne Mitera and German checker champion, Joni Schaefer. While the game is in progress, lunch is served by the two head waitresses, Rose Marie Kellman and Elaine Wieser.

Late at night, the ship leaves Future Island. The chief whistle blower, Roberta Podraza, sounds the farewell. As we look back towards the island we see someone swimming madly towards the ship. The muscular life guard, Ted Pfeifer, rushes to the rescue and we see it is Janet Markytan, who like all the rest wanted to stay on Future Island.

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to bold,
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