



## Choral Groups Sing, Model In "Salute" to America Pageant

Music by American composers with the theme "Salute to America" was presented by the music department on November 20 in Cummings Auditorium.

The school's three choral groups each depicted an historical era with the typical music of that period. Mrs. Mary Ellen Collins directed the affair.

The mixed chorus sang two spirituals entitled "I Am in His Care" and "Little David Play on Yo' Harp." They also sang "Standing on the Corner" from *The Most*

Happy Fellow and "Heart" from *Damn Yankees*.

The 101 members of the girls' chorus selected the period from 1865 to 1920. Their songs included the Civil War music, "Carry Me Back to Old Virginy," and "Over There" by George M. Cohan from the time of World War I.

To illustrate the music, the girls modeled clothes worn by ladies of those periods, with narration by Janet Soltow.

Winnie Buzinskis accompanied the new girls' quartet — Karen



—Ashley  
Conrad Choir rehearsing one of its numbers for the "Salute to America" program.

## Adams Briefs Faculty on DYFA Plans

The DELAWARE YOUTH FOR AMERICA entertained the faculty recently to orient the teachers as to its purpose and plans. The teachers were told that the DYFA wants to open a school store with proceeds going back into the store to lower prices. It is setting up

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Gardner, Bertha Smith, Patricia Harmon and Dorothy Gasby—who sang "Bye-Bye Blues."

The Conrad choir performed music from the roaring 20's up to the present time. Its music included "The Birth of the Blues," with a modern dance interpretation by Rose Ann Reed. The American composer, George Gershwin, was represented by three of his pieces. "Swanee" was played by Sue Wilson, 11th grade pianist, and "Summertime" was sung by Winnie Buzinskis. The songs from *My Fair Lady* were sung by the choir and the final number on the program was "I Like it Here."

## Conrad Band to Sponsor Military Ball; Rival Bands Invited to Saturday Event

Tomorrow night the Conrad Band will sponsor a Military Ball. The dance, under the supervision of Mr. C. Richard George and the Senior Band officers, headed by Ann Follett, will be held in the school gym from 8:30 to 12:00 P.M. The bands that are being invited are

those of the opposing football teams which Conrad plays during the season.

The purpose of the affair is to promote good relations among the various school bands and it is hoped the ball will become an annual event. This should prove to

be a colorful affair as the boys in the various bands will wear their uniforms and the girls will wear formal gowns.

The schools receiving invitations are Mt. Pleasant, Wilmington, A. I. duPont, P. S. duPont, Howard, Claymont, William Penn, and Newark.

Music will be provided by the "Serenaders" under the direction

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## BEAT NEWARK

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, November 28, the Redskin eleven will meet Newark's Yellow Jackets in the final, climactic game of the season.

In this year's contest Newark, under the guidance of Don Miller, head coach, who has lost only two games since he joined the Newark staff, will move into Urie Stadium with a 1957 record of six wins against only one defeat.

Coach Jesse Malin's charges, who started fine and slacked off in the middle have been slowly coming back and should be at their peak come Thanksgiving, just in time to squash the Yellow Jackets.

The memory of last year's hard-fought game stirs Conradians with hopes of another like it, only this time with the scales balanced in Conrad's favor, as once more we are put into the role of spoiler. For those who missed last year's game, only six points, which were scored late in the final period, separated the traditional rivals (Newark—12, Conrad—6). However, more frustrating is the fact that Conrad was within 12 yards of glory land when the final whistle blew.

Newark, as compared to like opponents of Conrad, shapes up as follows:

- Newark, 35—Wm. Penn, 13
- Newark, 40—Howard, 6
- Newark, 19—Mt. Pleasant, 14
- Newark, 20—W.H.S., 0

The Yellow Jackets will field the following first eleven: Ends, F. Jezyk and D. Pyle; tackles, J. Knotts and I. Bryant; guards, F.

Truitt and P. Moroz; center, B. Field (co-captain); backs, L. Lackman, H. Hubbard, L. White, and R. Walstrum (co-captain).

"We can beat them Thursday, but we'll need your support." So say Conrad co-captains John Piccolo and Jack McAllister.

## WAMS Jockey To Spin At Hi-Y's "Beat Newark" Dance Wed, Eve.

"Beat Newark!" will be the theme of the Hi-Y sponsored Turkey Trot to be held in the Conrad gymnasium on Wednesday, November 27, from 8:30 to 11:30 P. M. In conjunction with the theme, students attending are asked to wear scarlet and gray. Come to the dance following the mammoth Student Council bonfire-pep rally to be held on the athletic field.

Roger Holmes, WAMS disc jockey, will be on hand to spin the latest platters all evening. He will bring his own records, so come prepared to dance to the best in pops.

Only Conradians and their guests will be admitted. The price is 60 cents stag or a dollar drag. Free refreshments will be served.

Dance chairman is Howie Cloud. He will be ably assisted by Michael Miller, William Kibler, Norman Masters, Stamber Brooks, Charles Bried, and Kevin Kirwin.



—Ashley

## Barbara Gregg 4H Winner

Last month Barbara Gregg was named the State 4H Clothing Winner and was crowned Clothing Queen of New Castle County. She has been a member of the 4H organization for six years. Barbara was chosen the winner after careful examination of the many things she has previously made, their appearance, and the way in which they were constructed.

On the day of the crowning she was wearing one of the dresses which helped her to win. The dress was lavender with white lace inserted in the front and the back. It has baby doll sleeves and a pleated skirt. (See picture.)

Barbara was awarded a nine day trip to Chicago which she will begin the day after Thanksgiving.

## Calendar of Events

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| <p>November</p> <p>23—Military Ball—8:00 P.M.—Gym—(Conrad Band Members and Guests)</p> <p>24—DuPont Concert Band—4:30 P.M.—Cummings Auditorium</p> <p>Hi-Y Sunday Afternoon Family Party (for Hi-Y members, dates, and families)—1:00-6:00 P.M.—YMCA</p> <p>26—D.S.E.A. Committee Meeting—7:30 P.M.</p> <p>27—Hi-Y Football Turkey Trot 8:30-11:30—Gym</p> <p>28-Dec. 1—Thanksgiving Vacation</p> <p>December</p> <p>2—F.F.A. Meeting—7:30 P.M.</p> <p>4—P.T.A.—Executive Committee—8:00 P.M.</p> <p>First Activities Group—8:40-9:40 A.M.</p> | <p>7—Hi-Y Co-Ed Splash Party—YMCA</p> <p>9—Conrad Parent-Teacher Association—Christmas music—8:00 P.M.—Auditorium</p> <p>10—New Castle County Credit Union Meeting—7:30-9:00 P.M.—Room 215</p> <p>14—Conradian Press Club Semi-Formal Christmas Dance—8:00-12:00 P.M.</p> <p>17—Boys' Basketball—Kennett Square—Home</p> <p>18—Second Activities Group—8:40-9:40 A.M.</p> <p>20—Christmas Assembly—12:15 P.M.</p> <p>Community Christmas Program—8:00 P.M.</p> <p>21—Christmas Vacation begins—School reopens Jan. 6.</p> |
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## Baird Announces Extra-Credit English Contests

According to Malcolm Baird, head of the English Department, special credit will be given by each English teacher to any student entering one or all of the following literary contests which have been approved by the Department. (See the bulletin board in Room 205 for details.)

**National High School Oratorical Contest** sponsored by the American Legion—prepared orations on an assigned topic relating to the U. S.

government and Constitution—Conrad deadline, March 1, 1958.

**National High School Poetry Association**—original verse—Conrad deadline, November 27, 1957.

**Scholastic Magazines Writing Awards**—for all fields of writing—Conrad deadline, February 15, 1958.

Turn entries in to your English teacher or Mr. Baird. Any student entering a contest earns extra English credit whether or not he wins.

## Uhla Entertains P. T. A. With Tales Of Norway

An American teenager's opinion of Norway was documented and illustrated when Uhla Lautenklos showed slides and discussed how she spent her summer in Norway at the Parent-Teacher Association meeting on Monday, November 11. A few interesting points made—which were not mentioned in *Smoke Signal's* October issue—are as follows:

Due to the fact that there were 700 students aboard the ship "Arosa Kulm" there were six students in each stateroom . . . Only the last two of the twelve days of the crossing were really warm, bathing suit weather . . . One thing that Uhla stressed was that in Holland there were fresh flowers everywhere a person looked . . . Uhla's foster parents' winter home was right near a ski-jump, and she spent much time there . . . Each peninsula in Norway flies its own flag, as well as the Norwegian flag . . . Uhla's parents drove a '51 Chevrolet, though most Norwegians drive European cars . . . One hotel Uhla's family stayed at on a car trip burned down a week later . . . Uhla's family took a swim in the fjord, where the summer cottage was located, each morning before breakfast much to Uhla's dismay . . . All of the American "Norwegian" exchange students spent

their last five days together at a mountain lodge . . . All Norwegians, Uhla's family included, like to hike any and all the time . . . Uhla's father was a dentist, but Uhla needed no professional services while in Oslo.



—Clark, Ashley

Co-editors for the school publications have been selected. At top are Jim Davis and Barbara Schulz, *CONRADIAN* Editors; at bottom, Sidney Clark and Harris Fischer, *SMOKE SIGNAL* Editors.

## P. T. A. Plans Programs

The December 9 P.T.A. meeting will feature students singing Christmas music. On January 13 the P.T.A. will sponsor a run-through of each student's class schedule, with parents following in their son or daughter's footsteps, with each "period" lasting ten minutes. At the March 10 meeting students and parents will compete in a giant spelling bee, co-sponsored by the English Department and the P.T.A.

## Want To Get Technical?

### Be a Technical Writer

Technical writing, a new profession on the career horizon, has grown tremendously in importance. The demand for technical, scientific writers far exceeds the supply.

A new profession, technical writing is just what it implies—writing down data on scientific research and explaining it to the average person. It is doing a job as a journalist for scientists whose abilities lie in research, not in composition.

A technical writer must be interested in science and writing and he or she needs backgrounds in both. Many girls, as well as boys, unable to obtain genuine science research positions, are finding this an admirable answer to their problem. The Society of Technical Writers, formed to secure recognition of the profession, welcomes women in this field and states that the only requirement is to have the proper training. Journalism in high school, plus all the science courses possible, are the subjects which interested students should take.

If you want more information on this new occupation, Miss Jackson has the answers in her office.

## Mr. Buchanan Gets D.S.E.A. Key

Mr. Trafton Buchanan, Assistant Principal, was awarded the "past-president key" at the Delaware State Education Association Convention in the Warner Theatre, Thursday, October 24. The key is a traditional distinction given to all retiring presidents as a reward for their labors during their terms. It has no special symbolic meaning.

The "honored key" was delivered to Mr. Buchanan by Edward J. Moynihan of Seaford, D.S.E.A. president during 1955-56.

When interviewed, Mr. Buchanan was asked about his main pre-occupations while D.S.E.A. president. "We tried to improve the professional standards of the teachers, to gain for teaching recognition as a profession, to improve their economic status and to carry out the business of the organization. Personally," he added, "I tried to represent and carry out the wishes and desires of the majority of the members of the organization."

### Convention's Speaker

Mr. Ashley Montagu, anthropologist, social biologist, and lecturer from Princeton University, main speaker at the D.S.E.A. Convention, stated in reference to education that "the three R's alone do not constitute education."

"The original definition of education," Mr. Montagu continued, "is to enable the child to grow and develop into a human being. The primary and only principle of education, is to turn out warm, loving human beings."

Mr. Montagu's statements on pupil psychology were appreciated by the teachers, though, according to an opinion poll, many of the members disagreed with him.

### New President

Wayne J. Pollari, American history teacher at Mount Pleasant High School, was elected 1957-58 president. However, Conrad is going to be personally represented in the D.S.E.A. by Mr. Buchanan, who remains on the Board of Directors as past president, and by Mr. Jay Hinnerscheetz.

## Bausch and Lomb Offers \$9,600 Scholarships in Science

The Bausch and Lomb Optical Company offers annually one of a group of major four-year science scholarships, each having a value of \$9600. Some top science student in Conrad's senior class may earn this scholarship if he acts now.

The school's candidate for the scholarship competition will be the winner of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science award. Only if the student wins this award is he eligible to compete for the scholar-

ship. The award winner is selected and notified in January, then may immediately obtain the scholarship blank from the Director of Admissions, University of Rochester, Rochester 29, N. Y. The application must be filled in and returned on or before March 1.

All students who stand near the top of the senior class in science are advised to check with the head of the science department, Mr. C. D. Jeffrey, immediately.

## Humor In Uniform

Larry "Swivel Hips" Schwartz, the boy who had trouble tripping over chalklines last year, gained an amazing 206 yards and scored two touchdowns against Wilmington High earlier this month . . . Maybe it was that free dinner the team was promised, if they came home with a victory . . . Wonder why Frank Gillespie always says, "excuse me," while passing someone in a cross country meet . . . If anyone says that hockey is not a rough sport, go see Janet Austin. So far she has turned up with a broken thumb, a bruised leg, and also received a blood clot in her leg as a result of being hit with a hockey stick. Asked what would happen to her next, she replied, "I

probably will break my neck." (She almost did, according to an item in this issue's *Inside the Tepee*.) . . . And in another game Carol Carew was hit in the head with a hockey puck . . . We must have a pretty strong hockey team. So far three hockey sticks were broken as a result of hitting the puck . . . One strange incident earlier in the month happened in the second quarter of the Wilmington Jayvee game. Bob Bower, Conrad's left tackle, was pushed off balance by a W.H.S. player and landed in the back of Conrad's line. At the same time, the quarterback handed the ball to Bower instead of to the halfback . . . Oh yes! He picked up a yard . . .

—Don Lenhoff

## DYFA

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three \$100 scholarships for members of the graduating class and a student loan board. Another plan is to offer student tutoring assistance with top scholastic students helping any who need an assist. The DYFA is also going to undertake school improvement projects. Students and teachers discussed the tremendous potential of such an organization as well as its present activities.

Roy Adams, executive chairman, said, "We hope to see the day when the DYFA will be a powerful youth organization for youth itself—youth working for youth. It is our chance to help ourselves. It is up to us to make it work."

## Military Ball

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of George Schaefer, as well as the dance bands of Mt. Pleasant, William Penn, Wilmington High, Krebs, and Conrad.

The dance committees are as follows: Supervision Committee, Ann Follett, president; Tom Zdrojewski, vice-president; Sandy Millichap, secretary; Dave Smith, treasurer; Decoration Committee, Tom Cox; Publicity Committee, Gerry Benson; Art Committee, Betsy Byrne and Jerry Szabo.

Chaperones will include a few band parents and the band directors.

## Secret of School Seal Solved

Have you ever wondered seriously about the school seal located between *SMOKE* and *SIGNAL* in the nameplate of our school newspaper?

A recent letter to the editor, submitted by a thoughtful senior, Ray Costello, asking the meaning and significance of the seal, started the wheels turning in the inquisitive minds of *Smoke Signal's* editors.

The seal was taken partly from the Delaware State Seal and was partially designed by Miss C. Louise Jackson.

According to Mr. C. W. Cummings, former principal of Conrad, and Miss Jackson, it combines law and order with the state and the seven original school districts feeding Conrad.

The ship which appears on the top of the seal is taken directly from the Delaware State Seal. It

## Student Council Debates Problems

Students! Did you get your Conrad caps or beanies? If not, don't worry, for the Student Council has ordered more, due to the fast sale of the first batch.

Aside from rehashing such problems as Tie Day (which some students seem to have forgotten) the Council has been discussing such problems as how to improve pep rallies, assemblies, and cut out smoking in the lavatories. The idea of putting all the students together in the gym for pep rallies was brought up, but it seems the thought offended some people, so things will stay the same, unless the sophomores and juniors will alternate having the privilege of sharing the auditorium with the seniors. One suggestion brought up at the Council's Assembly Committee Meeting was that there be two separate assemblies — first period for the seniors and juniors, and one second period for the sophomores, but again this is just an idea.

There has been quite a bit of discussion about the smoking problem. If you don't understand what is meant, take a look in one of the lavatories sometime. As yet, there have been no decisions made concerning these problems.

Miss Miriam Swayze and the Student Council successfully handled the Red Feather drive this year (with the help of the homeroom teachers, of course). They collected \$200, Mr. Earl Reist's room, 113, having the highest total. John Arey is the representative of that homeroom.

represents adventure—that is, adventure on the sea of learning.

The seven links in the center signify the seven original elementary school districts that comprised the Conrad High School district when it was established.

The bound sticks, together with an axe, appearing on each side of the seven links, symbolize strength in unity and are derived from the Roman fasces (Symbols of Authority).

The book on the bottom of the seal illustrates learning.

The need for a seal arose in 1935, the year the school opened.

The Balfour Company, printers of the yearbook at that time, did the final arranging after the design was submitted to them.

All Conradians should be proud of their school seal and should try their best to live up to the standards it represents.

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# SPUTNIKS—What They Are And What They Mean

On October 5, 1957, Soviet Russia announced that it had successfully launched a satellite 560 miles into space. This came as a shock to the world, for the United States, which had announced its plan for a satellite on July 30, was considered far ahead in rocket development.

Immediately after the announcement a chain of radio stations, set up to follow such a satellite, began listening for the signals sent out by the satellite's radio on a frequency of 108 megs. This frequency had been agreed upon by both the United States and Russia as a part of I.G.Y. (International Geophysical Year), a united world wide study of the earth, but Russia failed to use it. Instead the Russian satellite broadcast on 40.02 megs. and 20.05 megs., thus making the rest of the world's radio tracking stations temporarily useless. Russia claims that this was a test satellite and not the one it had agreed to launch for I.G.Y.

The first satellite propelled into space, about 23 inches in diameter, weighs about 184 lbs., nine times the weight of the proposed U. S. satellite, and was carried into its orbit by a multi-stage rocket for the purpose of collecting scientific

data needed for the advancement of man's knowledge of space. Satellite #1, which is now circling the earth every 96.2 minutes, has been named Sputnik, Russian for "the little traveler," and the third stage of the rocket, also circling the globe, "Nutnik." However, the official names are alpha 2 and alpha 1, respectively.

### Sputnik II

Just one month later Russia again announced that it had launched a satellite, only this time it had a passenger, a dog named Curly (Laika, in Russian). The so-called "flying doghouse" has the fantastic weight of 1120.29 lbs. (over half a ton) and is circling the earth once every 103.7 minutes at an altitude of 1056 miles. Sputnik II radioed the scientific data and information on Curly on the original frequencies. Curly survived the shock of the take-off and lived for several days until, according to news releases, she was killed by lack of oxygen in her chamber, thus becoming the first sacrifice to space.

### U. S. Expert Speaks

Dr. Wernher von Braun, considered America's leading missile expert, said in an interview that it would take the U. S. five years

to gain missile and satellite superiority and that we will probably have a few more setbacks in the next two or three years. Dr. von Braun blames our loss of superiority to the six-year lack of a missile program from 1945 to 1951, due to lack of public interest in weapons after the war.

### Scientists and Engineers

Although during the period from 1951 to 1956 the number of Russian scientific and engineering graduates has increased from 36,000 to 71,000 and the number in the U. S. had decreased from 53,000 to 26,000, Dr. von Braun does not believe Russia is turning out any better scientists and engineers. But he says ours are not given enough concentrated missile experience.

### Effect on Schools and Teenagers

Russia's gain in science will effect the teenagers of the U. S. by forcing a greater emphasis on science in the schools and perhaps will change the basic curriculum. It should also make scientific careers more attractive and rewarding to young men and women.

Regardless of its effects, the launching of the Russian satellite has put the world into a new era—the era of space.

—Jack Crelling

# Sock and Buskin Club Takes "Time Out For Ginger"

The Sock and Buskin Club's annual fall play turned out to be another roaring success, in more ways than one. A play in which a speech on manners, basic rights, the Constitution, football, and a few other things all get mixed together is bound to be funny, but when superb acting and expert stage-setting go along with the aforementioned subjects, it becomes nothing short of hilarious.

The play starts with Howard Carol (Bob Lidums) making a simple speech on manners. However, Howard gets a little carried away and finds himself embroiled in an equal-rights-for-women debate. He has three daughters who are inspired with all sorts of ideas as a result of his speech. Joan and Jeannie (Barbara Tanner, Kay Burkholder, Doris Jean Walton) decide they don't want to take gym any more. So they, along with the other girls in school, get up a petition against girls being made to take gym. But to top it all off, his other daughter, Ginger (Shirley Donahue) decides to go out for football. Then follows a hectic period during which Ginger makes the team; Howard almost loses his job; Liz, the maid (Emilia Martinez), attends all the practices and games; and, the piece-de-resistance, Ginger gets in a game and makes a touchdown. Howard goes wild. He tears down the goal posts, leads the victory parade, and finally comes home and relives the game in telling it to his wife (Sally Megonigal).

While watching the play, I tried to pick out the best performer, but failed miserably in my undertaking. Everyone fitted his part so well and turned in such an excellent performance that it would be impossible as well as unfair to pick anyone as the best. One comment was heard to the effect that the performance approached professional excellence.

As Mr. Donald Morgan said in his remarks between acts, there is



—Clark

Bob Lidums tells Sally Megonigal of Ginger's big moment at the football game.

more to a production such as this than the acting. In accordance with this, we would like to congratulate Mr. Cecil Schulze, Judy Golla, Barbara Hoagland, Wayne Ashley, and Gerry Benson, and their committees, on a fine behind-the-scenes job.

Smoke Signal wishes to extend special congratulations to Shirley Altemus, the student director, as well as to Mr. Morgan, the faculty director, for a splendid display of student-teacher cooperation and, as a result, a remarkable dramatic production.

P.S. At the party after the play, Gerry Benson got locked in the Altemus bathroom and couldn't get out. He was eventually rescued, needless to say, but not before the evening became more hilarious than that in Ginger's hectic household.

—Clyde Prestowitz

# Tests, Tests, Tests, Tests, Tests, Tests, .. Whew!

If you have heard some of your fellow students walking around, moaning and groaning, it is probably a result of the recent senior testing program. But cheer up! The tests were given with specific purposes in mind, to help seniors with their future plans. Sophomores and juniors will feel like mechanical wizards (see cartoon) when their turn comes around, since the testing program put in full operation this year will be continued.

All new students at Conrad have been evaluated as to their mental maturity as shown on the California Test of Mental Maturity. Designed to measure ability in language and non-language areas, the test is useful because it can indicate the student's ability to see visual relationships, to reason, to think in mathematics symbols, and to recognize the meanings of words. According to Miss Jackson, Dean of Girls, when the guidance counselor examines the school grades in various subjects, finds out the interests and ambitions of the student, and confers with the student and parents, the counselor is able to use the test results to help the student decide what should be his vocational and academic goals.

For seniors the program was more extensive. All seniors were given a battery of seven tests by the University of Delaware, under the direction of Dr. Pemberton. These tests (one set for college preparatory and another for non-college students) included SCAT (School and College Aptitude



Tests), with emphasis upon languages and mathematics ability, and STEP (Sequential Tests of Educational Progress), which surveyed progress in listening ability, social studies, writing skill, mathematics, science, and reading.

Results of this testing will be available to the counselors to use in advising students as to possible success in their educational and vocational plans, according to the deans.

All students who expressed an interest in attending college were given additional testing: The California Test of Mental Maturity, The American Council on Educational Psychological Examination, and (for those who qualified on the latter), the S.Q.T. (Scholarship Qualifying Test for the National Merit Scholarship Program). Results of the first two tests are now available, and Smoke Signal has been assured that the deans will be glad to discuss individual findings with students, parents, and teachers in order to help students plan for their continued education.

To students planning to enter industry immediately after gradu-

ation, the Delaware State Employment Service, under the supervision of Dr. Margaret Seitz, administered a series of tests designed primarily for vocational guidance. Areas included were academic, clerical, manipulatory, and such other abilities as, in later conferences, will help indicate the field of work, and level in the field, which students should enter. Dr. Seitz and her assistants will confer with students individually to explain the results and help them to examine their abilities in the light of their work or training plans. A complete record of the tests, the conferences, and their analysis will become a permanent record in the office of the State of Delaware Unemployment Compensation Commission for reference for future employment needs, both of the individual and employer.

When underclassmen become seniors they will have these opportunities to learn more about their capabilities, so studying efficiently now will make the help of Charlie Thompson's mechanical wizard completely unnecessary. He won't be available anyway—each student will be on his own.

# NEWS FROM THE NATION

### ORCHIDS TO . . .

. . . the eight P. S. students who were chosen for the School Report program on WDEL.

—"The Blue and Gray Clarion," P. S. duPont High School

. . . the Vagabonds, a hot rod club in Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, supervised by the village police, who are pledged to promote good sportsmanship and safety on the road.

—"Tower Times," Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin

### DO YOU KNOW . . .

. . . that colleges now require freshmen, sophomore, and junior, as well as first-semester senior grade marks as part of their stiffened entrance requirements.

—"The Blue and Gray Clarion," P. S. duPont High School

. . . that Debbie Reynolds has made more from her hit record, "Tammy," than she did from making the film, "Tammy and the Bachelor," from which the song was taken.

and

. . . that Pat Boone is a direct descendant of Daniel Boone, the great adventurer.

—"Redwood Bark," Eureka High School Eureka, California

The latest crazes at Seaford High School are crew neck sweaters with Bermuda shorts, and all the Ivy League styles.

—"The Blue Jay," Seaford, Delaware

### FROM "OXFORD AREA HIGH SCHOOL" COMES:

Q. Why is a boy's head like a door-knob?

A. Because any girl can turn it. and

Q. How did you make out in the exams?

A. Just like Napoleon, I went down in history.

—"O. A. H. S. Broadcaster," Oxford Area High School

### HAVE YOU HEARD THIS STORY?

An ambitious and unscrupulous African tribesman decided that he wanted to be chief, so he stealthily stole the chief's throne and hid it on the roof of his grass hut deep in the jungle. During the night the weight of the throne caused the roof to collapse, killing the tribesman.

Moral: People who live in grass huts shouldn't stow thrones.

—"Redwood Bark," Eureka High School Eureka, California

# INSIDE THE TEPEE

Edited by Wayne Ashley and Sidney Clark  
(Assisted by Dean Ballance and Barbara Miller)

... Will Bill Stevens please report to the office and pick up as much of that Army surplus paper as he can carry and take it to the incinerator . . . (click) . . .

Let's see, what color are we down to now? Mr. Gormley's history tests were on yellow and white and the Smoke Signal assignments sheets were color-coded: page 1 was pink, 2 was orange, and 3, 4, and 5 were baby blue. When will this multicolored menagerie of digested, dehydrated, dyed and dried wood fiber desist? As soon as we hit black!

In his journalism class Mr. Baird was saying, "The deadline for the first issue of *Smoke Signal* will be October 11."

Then Emily Martinez says, "Mr. Baird, what is the meaning of 'deadline'? Does it have something to do with a mortuary?"

... Bill Stevens . . . Bill Stevens . . .

Overheard at the Skripchuk house: "Quick, dear, hide the scissors—here comes Daddy with the newspaper."

EDITOR'S NOTE: to the uninformed—Mr. Skripchuk has that strange propensity known as collecting newspaper clippings.

Say, was that a masquerade the choir held the 2nd of November or was it a masquerade? Or maybe a maskerade? Could it have been a Mousekerade? Nevertheless everyone had a safe and sane time and all spelling errors on the posters are forgiven. For instance, they all laughed at Larry Blackway when a sparrow flew down from the gym rafters and lighted on his head. Attractive boy, that Larry.

... Pfff . . . Pfff . . . Bill Stevens . . .

"Quick, Mr. Garfield, the Flit!" This is the cry that goes up from Mr. Garfield's classes whenever a *Musca Domestica* motivates its lateral appendages to locomote around the room.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Unlax — this only means a fly is buzzing about.

### BRAVE VOLUNTEER—

And now, so that the seniors won't feel entirely left out . . . The other day Miss Jackson's senior English class was discussing the word 'obeisance,' meaning a bow or curtsy. When Miss Jackson asked someone to demonstrate, peppy little Rollie Boucher promptly volunteered. So that everyone could see, she was asked to stand on a somewhat shaky table (and in a slim skirt, at that). Ah, well, live and learn we always say.

... Bill Stevens . . .

### UNIQUE EXPERIMENT—

Here's another bit of Senior news—(applause) Mr. Jeffrey's physics class had a little delay in its study of liquid pressure when, by undetermined means, the demonstration tank became polluted. When it was drained, there were found in the mud at the bottom one goldfish, several hairpins, paper clips, and little green algae. This is liquid pressure?!

### GAS PRESSURE—

"I have a gas problem," said Mr. Jeffrey.

"Take bicarbonate of soda," suggested Jim Davis cheerily.

... Hey, you! . . . Stevens !!

### PAUL MAY—BOY WITH A TALENT—

In the last year and a half he has built himself a Mostly-Ford-Partly-May car—not available in stores nor for even 29,000 box tops. He cut a Model A coupe to a height of 52 in. and a length of 115 in., then modified it with a '48 Ford V-8, '41 Ford hydraulic brakes, a '34 Ford gearbox and '48 Ford differential with dropped axles, among other things, to produce that little red machine you see in the parking lot—if it gets there. But the last we heard, some engine trouble had developed and its master had it on blocks in the back yard.

Paul plans to take his you-name-it to the drag races at Lancaster, Pa. and bring back some trophies. Before that time he will have to make a few additions: to meet racing regulations, he must have a safety belt, a roll bar, and a special transmission housing. To meet his own comfort regulations he must have foam rubber seating in place of the carpeted boards that are now made to do. Sitting on this floor he operates the steering wheel, the '54 Ford pedals, and the specially bent shift stick. His handmade but temporary dashboard includes a tachometer for gear timing and a green plastic spoon for good luck.

To a hard worker, Paul May, we wish good luck in the races and we say, let's see that thing running again soon, HUH?!

### SATELLITE?—

Mr. George fooled everybody. We all thought the big round thing he was building for a halftime stunt was another satellite. But it wasn't. It was only a pumpkin. He fooled himself, too, when he built the bloomin' thing too big to fit any exit and had to tear it apart beep by beep.

Speaking of Mr. George, he would like to know who pinned the sign on his back that read, "Kiss me, I'm a sweet kid." It's not the actual deed that made him angry but the fact that no one took him up on it.

### TOO EARLY—

Again Mr. George makes the *Smoke Signal* small type. This time, it seems that after arriving at school bright and early, he placed a long distance call to Utah to get prices on some Indian head-dresses for the twirlers. After the phone rang for about five minutes, a sleepy voice answered and said, "What the dickens do you want? It's 6:30 in the morning out here!"

Those prices probably went up a few dollars right then.

### POOR JANET—

Our sympathies are with Janet Austin, who, before the Wilmington High game, fell into a storm sewer. ("This is worse than hockey!") And Janet has been having her share of hockey troubles lately. (See page 2.)

### MONEY-MAKING SECRET REVEALED—

In government class, Mr. Sullivan wagered a dollar with Joe Horisk that a dollar bill was not legal tender. After pointing out that on the dollar was printed the phrase, "This certificate is legal tender for all debts, public and private," Joe relieved Mr. Sullivan of one of his legal tender certificates.

... Bill Stevens . . . out of the girls' gym . . . OUT, I say . . .

If anyone wondered why the pretty vocalist with the band at the Hi-Y Homecoming Dance started laughing during her last song, it was because David Matthews, the Homecoming Queen's brother, had asked her to sing "Houn' Dawg."

That reminds us. During a recent English class's discussion of Elvis Presley, Jon Cottrell sidetracked with, "Mr. Hinnerscheetz, what do you think of Jayne Mansfield?" Came the reply, after a short pause, "She's too academic!"

If anyone, say, from Roving Redskin, should ask your opinion on something, reply as Willard Minner would: "Some aid, but no help to social gains."

I had one grunch but the eggplant over there.

... Bill Ste—

CRASH ZZzzt.  
Remember — tomorrow's Saturday.

### Student Leaders Elect Leaders

You may have noticed a considerable amount of confusion in and around the gymnasium towards the end of last year. All the bustle signalled the tryouts for the 1957-58 Student Leader Corps. The Student Leaders help Miss Doris Eipper and Mrs. Marilyn LeFevre with the girls' gym classes. You can tell these girls by their red tunics and their skill in almost every phase of sports, skill which was needed in order to become members of the corps.

Carol Wrobbel and Ann Simmons are the only new senior members. The juniors include Beverly Bried, Ruthann Brinkmann, Elizabeth Mitchell, Roberta Putt, and Beverly Roberts. Karen Ellis, Terry Henretty, Leta Martin, Alice Watts, Leslie Elliott, Linda Churn, Linda Rice, Phyllis Campbell, and Gena Borinsky are the new sophomore members.

At the first meeting of the corps the following officers were elected: president (known as chief), Barbara Graham; vice-president (known as squaw), Elizabeth Mitchell; secretary (known as warrior), Gail Stemler; treasurer (known as brave), Peg Collingwood; chaplain (known as medicine man), Jeanne Moore.

The Tribal Council, acting as an executive committee, along with the officers, includes a sophomore, Karen Ellis; a junior, Nancy Hayden; and a senior, Ann Jones.

Jeanne Moore gave an interesting account of her religious caravanning experiences in and around New York during the summer at the October meeting. Uhla Lautenklos has showed slides and has given some very interesting facts concerning her summer in Norway. Betty Squires has given some helpful and much-needed hints on charm. These are some of the speakers who have entertained the Student Leaders during their weekly meetings.

# THE ROVING REDSKIN

Edited by Harry Sharp

The day is a typical one in all of our lives; old man laziness has finally taken his toll in your fourth period class, when suddenly—YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE! This is the shrieking cry of the domesticated mechanical megaphone, known scientifically as Electronius Squawkboxus.

This little fellow has been causing some controversy at dear old Conrad, and with the aid of some old-fashioned leg work, your Roving Redskin reports the reverent opinions of the masses . . .

Billy Joe Webster thinks "it's the best thing that ever happened to Conrad."

Winnie Buzinskis reflects the opinion that "it is a little over used." ("It's too piercing!")

Mr. Hinnerscheetz thinks "it is a very effective means for rapid communication."

Ruth Ann Brinkman believes

"they should play music over it during study halls." Bill Gore comes up with the question, "What squawk box?"

Joan Leonard says, "it's the best thing that ever interrupted classes."

Mrs. Dill gives us this statement in a serious (?) tone of voice: "A time miracle, but it does interrupt classes."

Tommy Hanna is probably the smartest one to answer; he stood on the Fifth Amendment.

Ralph Cicconi thinks, "it's wunnerful."

Mr. Baird wonders why the daily bulletin can't be read by speech students to give them microphone ease and training.

So, while the fur is still flying over our heads, your Roving Redskin has reached his own brilliant conclusion that the squawk box is a very fine thing; but there are times when . . .

## ILLITERATE CONTEST

### Win a Big, Big Well, Enter the Contest Anyhow

Edited by Harry Sharp

Here at last is a contest in which everyone at Conrad can participate! We're looking for the dumbest, most lame-brained person ever to grace our hallowed halls with his presence.

To enter, you must write, in 25 words or less, a statement explaining any of the following:

- A. Why traffic is always blocked during the periods of peak traffic.
- B. Why acting sane in a study hall is "strictly for the birds."
- C. Why butting up in line during lunch periods is so important.
- D. Why destroying the faculty's peace of mind is the objective of students.
- E. Why some of the better art work in school is to be seen

on the tops of desks.

F. Why anyone is shunned if he cheers at a pep rally without wrecking up.

Entries must be placed in the box (look for the star on top and don't confuse it with the Christmas contest's barrel) provided at the Student Dictators' desk in the main hallway of Conradinowski High School, Siberia.

Entries will be judged by a panel of experts (all ex-Premiers) on illogical thinking, bad grammar, and illegibility.

The grand prize will be a three week, all-expense paid vacation for two in scenic Elsmere!

Hurry, get your entry in today, and leave the halls, cafeteria, classrooms, and study halls of Conrad with a little peace and quiet!

## 1982 - by Ann Marie Corrigan

As you look into the future it is now in the 1980's, just 25 years from now, and you are twenty-five years older. Time has changed the world considerably in these past years. The population has multiplied many times, and new civilizations have sprung up.

The frontiers of outer space have been breached, and we now know many more things than we knew 25 years ago. The universe has been challenged.

In a single generation the standards of living have risen to levels that would make the people of the 1950's look old-fashioned and out of date.

Modern living has made possible much more leisure time for travel and recreation. There are many more people who have good health and longer life than they have now. There is also more money to be spent and of course many more things to buy. The world now of-

fers chances in daring adventure ready to be used to conquer it.

But all things can't be a bed of roses even in the future, even though we wish there would be no problems. Industry needs raw materials. Schools and colleges are overcrowded with more and more people each day realizing the need for an education.

Social problems are also things to be considered. The aging need homes and protection. There must be more homes and employment for the rising population. The cities are also overcrowded and the traffic congestion is a major headache.

This is just the beginning of a series of articles stressing what life will be like in the amazing 80's. See you in the next issue.

—Ann Marie Corrigan  
Distributive Education Department

# Nine Teachers New This Year at Conrad

## Miss Jean Leonard

Miss Leonard teaches home economics here at Conrad. She was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, and went to the University of Delaware. After finishing her schooling, she came to Conrad. Miss Leonard is interested in the Future Homemakers of America Club and will assist Miss Conaway this year. She is very much interested in starting a Chef's Club for the boys.

## Miss Marjorie Norman

Miss Norman was born in Huston, Mississippi. She went to school at the Mississippi State College for Women. After completing college she taught in Mississippi before coming to Conrad. Miss Norman teaches mathematics.

## Mrs. Elizabeth B. Jefferson

Mrs. Jefferson was born in California and went to Long Beach City College and Long Beach State College. This is Mrs. Jefferson's first year of teaching. She teaches senior English. She is very much interested in the dramatics club and was the business manager of the fall play.



—Clark

Miss Jean Leonard, Miss Marjorie Norman, and Mrs. Elizabeth Jefferson relax in the teachers' room during a free period.

Mr. Ray Kipp, our new shop-teacher, lives in Downingtown, Pennsylvania. He is very active in Boy Scout activities in Downingtown and is on the local troop committee. He likes to hunt and fish and is interested in archery. He is married and has a three year old son. He thinks that the students and teachers here are very friendly.

Mr. William Gerald, our new social studies teacher, is teaching for the first time in twelve years. He had been working as a vocational counselor for the Veterans Administration. He took night extension courses at the University of Delaware to refamiliarize himself with teaching. He is married and has a boy age nine. He is active in all civic activities in the Forest Brook Glen area.

# This Is Your Library

Our efficiently run school library, administered by Miss Miriam E. Swayze, is continuously open during school hours to help students and faculty, whether it be for reference work or merely for recreational purposes.

The library has recently been enlarged to keep pace with the increase in new students. Last summer it was redecorated and modernized, and new lighting equipment has been installed. There is

Mr. Ruskin Shahan is one of our driver education teachers who taught at Alexis I. duPont High School before coming to Conrad. He taught about five subjects there and is glad to teach only one subject here. His main interests are hunting, fishing, and playing a guitar in a band for fun and money. He says he likes Conrad very much. He is married and has no children.



—Clark

Mr. Ray Kipp, Mr. William Gerald, and Mr. Ruskin Shahan catch up on current events.

## Miss Wynona S. Dawson

Miss Dawson is new to the teaching profession, this being her first year. She was born in Atlanta, Georgia, and went to school at the University of Delaware. She is teaching biology, physics, and practical science. Miss Dawson is going to help sponsor the Science Club this year.

## Miss Belle Hayes Wiley

Miss Wiley was born in Blairsville, Pennsylvania. She went to the State Teachers College in Pennsylvania and Columbia University where she received her Master's Degree. After finishing her schooling, she taught in Clearfield, Pennsylvania. Miss Wiley teaches business education. She is interested in the Commercial Club.

## Miss Nancy J. Snyder

Miss Snyder teaches English and German. She was born in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and went to Ursinus College in Pennsylvania. Before coming to Conrad, she taught in New Jersey and California. Miss Snyder is the sponsor of the German Club and co-sponsor of Smoke Signal.



—Clark

Miss Wynona Dawson, Miss Belle Wiley, and Miss Nancy Snyder smile for camera.

# Alumnae News

Edited by Sallie Evans

For those interested in what has happened to last June's graduates, here is a list of what many of the girls are doing. Look in the next issue for information about the boys.

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## UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

Marlene Ford, Janet Pierson, Sylvia Taylor, Janice Hurlock, Isabelle Jamieson, Barbara Heinel, Helen Bertrand, Anna Marie Conerty, Shirley Hall, Mari Harsanyi, Myrna Horowitz, Barbara Kennedy, Lynda Maddox, Nancy Twitchell, Mary Jane McVaugh, Lorraine Millelot, Nellie Watts, and Judy Wivel.

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## GOLDEY BEACOM

### BUSINESS COLLEGE

Mary Antonini, JoAnn Antonini, Joanne Bernard, Joanne Boulden, Clara DeAngelis, Alice Donaldson, Judy Edwards, Joyce Fenimore, Marian Finn, Bette Fuller, Vivian Havian, Helen Kyritsis, Phyllis Morris, Gloria Quillen, and Pat Shenberger.

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### OTHER COLLEGES

Deborah Benoit—Virginia Junior College.

Sylvia Black—Thompson's Business School.

Joy Curtis—Eastern Nazarene College.

Jane Deakyn, Barbara Walker—Oberlin College.

Judy Garrett—Madison College.

Toni Langenveld—R. K. University of Nyegen in the Netherlands.

Ann Leikel—Covenant College.

Mavis Roberts, Carolyn Sharp—Westminster College.

Susan White—Springfield College.

Barbara Jorison—Tobe-Coburn School for Fashion Careers in New York City.

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### NURSING

Judy Gregg, Virginia Osborne—Delaware Hospital.

Mary Glynn—Beebe Hospital in Lewes.

Joan Chiffons—St. Francis Hospital.

Nancy Phelps—Philadelphia Presbyterian Hospital.

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JoAnn Fuller, Sandra Davis, and Martha Tweddle have married. Joanne Brainard has joined the Roxettes. Many others are in the business world working for DuPont, Hercules, Delaware Power and Light, and the Bell Telephone Company.

All Conradians wish these girls the best of luck, and it is hoped that our alumni or their friends will keep us informed as to the whereabouts and activities of members of the class of 1957.

zines of varying interest (back issues of which are kept for two years), daily newspapers, Spanish, German, and French newspapers, a globe, and a picture file.

Miss Swayze is aided by two groups, the Library Squad and the Library Workshop. The former group consists of thirty members who volunteer their services and free time to charge books, to keep the books mended and in order, and to perform many other duties

# Clubs Elect Officers

## Commercial Club

The 1957-1958 officers of the Commercial Club are: Helen Levering, president; Betty Lou Klair, vice-president; Linda Ambrose, secretary; Miss Dorothea Rothwell and Miss Stella Chilek, sponsors.

The club is designed to supplement the curriculum of the senior stenographic and clerical girls by asking representatives from various fields of business to speak at club meetings.

## Science Club

The newly elected president is Dave Hamilton, Sam Simmons is the vice president, Harris Fischer is the secretary, and Elizabeth Bristow is the treasurer. "A trip to the Smithsonian Institute, just like last year," was the chief hoped-for '57-'58 activity, according to one member.

## Future Homemakers of America

This year the club is divided into two groups: juniors-seniors and sophomores. The junior-senior officers are: Arlene Fuddy, president; Elizabeth Mitchell, vice-president; Judith Stein, secretary; Joan Owens, treasurer. The sophomores elected: Leslie Elliot, president; Edwina Thomas, vice-president; Marilyn Bujak, secretary; Carol Ann Bacon, treasurer.

A supper meeting, date not yet set, and the state executive meeting in Dover on November 20 were planned at the November 6 meeting. Conrad is privileged to have two of the state's officers—Arlene Fuddy, vice-president, and Lois Maclary, historian.

## Mathematics Club

The chairman is Willard Minner, and the co-sponsors are Mr. Alvin Lewis and Miss Isabel Miller. The other members are Harry Sharp, Lee McMaster, and Carol Vautrin.

## Sock and Buskin

During the first activity period Shirley Altemus, president of the Sock and Buskin Club, asked for volunteers for three committees. The evaluation committee, headed by Tom Cassell, is to decide the number of credits or points each member of the club has earned. The program committee, with Charles di Michele as leader, has to plan interesting programs for

the club meetings. The last committee, initiation, is to plan an initiation for all the new Sock and Buskin members.

Officers of the 1957-58 Sock and Buskin Club are: Shirley Altemus, president; Tom Cassell, vice-president; Barbara Gregg, secretary; Roy Adams, treasurer.

## Library Workshop

At the November 7 meeting Miss Miriam Swayze, library sponsor, explained how to put newspapers and magazines on the racks. Actual library work will be started during the next club period December 4. Members of the Library Squad have been observing American Book Week by providing book marks for all borrowers and by releasing new books for circulation.

## Future Nurses of America

This club is for junior and senior girls who are interested in nursing. Members help Miss Jean Albers in the infirmary. Officers are: Rosemarie McCarns, president; Peggy MacInnes, vice-president; Gerrie Cole, secretary-treasurer.

A Christmas party is being planned.

## D.E.C.A.

The purpose of the Conrad Chapter of the Distributive Education Club of America is to fit people for useful employment. Officers are: Dick Dewitt, president; Faye Ann Brownmiller, vice-president; Sandy De Stafney, secretary; James Fink, treasurer; Inez Lloyd, parliamentarian; Kermit Taylor, sergeant-at-Arms. The advisor is Mr. Louis Dymond.

No future plans have been made. The advisor is Mr. Louis Dymond.

## Y Teens and Co-Recreation

Officers will be elected at the December 4 meeting. The Y-Teens is affiliated with the Young Women's Christian Association and it costs \$2.00 to join. The group has been divided, with some members joining the locally-sponsored Co-Recreation Club which has no connection with the Y. The clubs' purposes are similar—all-round development of girls. The faculty advisors are Miss Norman, Miss Allen, Mrs. LeFevre, and Mrs. Dill.

# Personality Pulse

Edited by Patsy Harper

Peggy Harris, a senior and a Conradian for six years, enjoys listening to popular music and likes Conrad, but thinks that the dances are too crowded. She favors the variety of courses given, is a band member, and wants to be in Oreads, Future Teachers, and the German Club. As for her ambition, Peggy would like to be a secondary school teacher.

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Clyde Prestowitz, an outstanding member of the Junior Class, has the same favorable opinion of Conrad as have many of us. He doesn't have any concrete plans for his future, as yet, but at the present



—Ashley

Carol Baynard, Clyde Prestowitz, and Peggy Harris absorb sunshine in front of school.

he is enjoying the sports at Conrad, (witness the injured arm), particularly football and basketball. Considering other interests in school, he okays the dances and the girls. Coming from Oak Grove after the ninth grade, he plunged into Conrad life and has German for his favorite subject.

Carol Baynard, a member of this year's Sophomore Class, is taking the commercial course and would like to be a secretary. She is all for rock'n roll music and likes Conrad's dances. A graduate of Krebs Junior High School, Carol is enjoying Conrad life and thinks the faculty is excellent.

## ALUMNI ATHLETICS

While the Redskins of Conrad have been fighting desperately to collect a few scalps, another team bearing the name of Conrad has been having an easier time getting a few wins. The Conrad Alumni, of the Interstate Semi-Pro League, have been one of the outstanding semi-pro teams in the N. J.-Del. area.

Most of the boys playing for the alumni team are graduates of Conrad. They are Charles Camac, Bill Miller, Red Zimmerman, John Kempinski, Herk Smith, Bob Shearer, Chick Bullen, Reds McGee, Jack Covert, Ace Kempinski, Jim Kirwin, Don Baer, Jim Hackman, and Bill Quinn. Other players (not graduates) are Don Houston, Porky Galezinak, Jimmy Pabst, Albie Sparks, and Don Growzier.

There are two players who have brothers on the 1957 Redskin squad. They are Ned Brown, brother of Mike Brown, and Lou Holdren, brother of Kenny Holdren.



WHO'S WHO?? —Ashley

## Original Thinking Can Win Money in Christmas Contest

Christmas is coming! And you know what that means, and we do mean Santa Claus. Yes, another Smoke Signal literary and art contest! Everyone can participate and some can pick up Christmas spending money. The general topic, of course, is anything concerning Christmas. Original poems, prose, essays, humorous cartoons, and serious drawings are the areas to be judged. Entries may be riotously funny or decorously serious.

So sit down right now and put your thoughts on paper. To be eligible to win you must sign a fictitious name to your entry before putting it in a sealed envelope. On another envelope write the same fictitious name and put inside your actual name, grade, and homeroom number. There will be two boxes at the reception desk in the front hall. Deposit the envelope with your entry in one and the sealed envelope with your name in the other. Entries will be judged by the Smoke Signal literary staff, Miss Nancy Snyder, and Mr. Malcolm Baird.

The deadline is Thursday, December 5 at 3:00 P.M. No entries will be accepted after this date. All written material must be less than 300 words and, although typewritten work is preferable, manuscripts will be accepted. Sketches must be made on white cardboard in India ink; the size must be 4" or 8" square. The prizes given for the best achievements in each field will be donated this year by the Conrad Parent-Teacher Association whose generosity is making it possible

for more students to win. Prose, poems, and essays each rate a first prize of \$5, second prize of \$3, and a third prize of \$1. The best artist will win \$3. Winners will read their contributions on stage during the Christmas Assembly program.

All English teachers are accepting properly sealed entries, or students may use the front hall contest boxes. The important thing is that you must start thinking now! Two weeks from yesterday is the deadline.

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## Masquerade Ball Success

On Saturday evening, November 2, the Choir sponsored a Masquerade Ball, which, needless to say, turned out to be loads of fun for all who attended, as well as the first affair of its kind in recent Conrad history. The only restrictions on admittance were that dancers had to be disguised and pay a small entry fee.

The judges had a hard time choosing winners from the many masqueraders, but they finally decided on the following: First prize was awarded to Carol Biggers, considerably bigger because of a barrel around her middle. Second prize went to the set of clothes poles with a wash in between, Ann Ruggles and Betty Jean Daisey. (These two ingenious characters each had a cleaner's bag the length of her body.) Mr. and Mrs. America, Jeanne Moore and Dave Stevens, respectively, received third prize. Dave Stevens, as Mrs. America, certainly deserves a lot of credit for acting out of character, dressed in a girl's bathing suit and long, black, silk stockings. Last, but not least, the Pot Belly and Sleeper, David Smith and Sandy Boswell, respectively, won the fourth prize. (See pictures.)

The Dance Band provided entertainment for part of the evening. To top off the occasion there was plenty of apple cider and cake for everyone. Mrs. Mary Ellen Collins was the head chaperone and supervised arrangements.

## M.V.P. Awards

### Most Valuable Player

It will be the Sports Staff's pleasure to award this year's M.V.P. awards, the second year Smoke Signal has presented these certificates. The achievement award was inaugurated last year as the result of some talented thinking by Robert Masters, '57. The merit winners, who received their surprise at the athletic assembly last year for football, cross-country, and hockey were Joe Abrams, Bob Wolf, and Sue White, respectively.

### Cross Country

Congratulations to this year's thinclads, many of whom will graduate to the track team come spring, for a job well done in the shadow of the heralded football campaign. F. Gillespie, C. Evans, J. Crelling, C. Harmon, R. Jernigan, N. Masters, T. Kolasinski, D. Lenhoff, J. Ruth, and E. Spirlock are the members of the '57 outfit. They rate Conrad's highest praises.

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## Hockey Team Ends Season

The girls' varsity hockey team completed its season with a 0-6-1 record. However, the junior varsity team ended the season with a 6-0-1 tally. Thus, the varsity and junior varsity records indicate that next year's varsity should rack up a happier score.

The senior team members were Barbara Graham, Uhla Lautenklos, Mary Lu Boyer, Ann Jones, Peggy Collingwood, Carol Biggers, Nancy Bretz, Elaine Kessell, Sally Higgins, Jeanne Moore, and Carol Wrobbel. The juniors included Janet Austin, who scored the majority of goals for the varsity team, Louise Maske, Carolyn Skip-ski, Elizabeth Mitchell, Peggy Watson, Beverly Bried, and Carol Carew. The sophomore members included Nancy Corie, Karen Ellis, Alice Watts, Naomi Jones, Lillian Hughes, Paulette Bailey, Carol MacDonald, Janice Evers, Leta Martin, Pat Brittingham, Karen Gardner, Vivian Burton, and Cath-

erine Kyrstis.

The high scorers for the junior varsity games were Louise Maske and Alice Watts.

### Hockey Personalities

**Jeanne Moore** has played hockey for two years at Conrad. She was very lucky in getting to play with the varsity team as a junior. Jeanne especially enjoys working on the hockey team. She is also a cheerleader and a Student Leader Corps officer.

**Carol Biggers** has played her favorite sport, hockey, at Conrad for 3 years. Carol enjoys hockey because it helps her build a good physique!

**Mary Lu Boyer**, the captain for this year's team, enjoys the aggressiveness necessary in playing hockey. She also likes the cookies, milk, and meeting new friends after the game.

—Elizabeth Mitchell



—Clark  
The camera freezes an exciting moment in girls' hockey game.

## J. V. Talk

The Conrad Junior Varsity footballers ended their 1957 football season with a record of 1 win and 6 defeats. Their win came over A. I. duPont by a score of 8 to 7. Their losses were to Salesianum 13-0; William Penn 39-0; Claymont 33-0; P. S. duPont 26-0; Wilmington 18-12, and Mt. Pleasant 19-0.

Despite the slimness of this record, the team has played interesting ball, which indicates that we should have a commendable season next year.

According to the coaches, the standouts on the team this year are backs Mike Brown and Quinn Ubil, end Wayne Dabson, center Ted Magonigal, tackle Jack Macklin, and guard John Caldwell.

Brown is a dashing halfback with a lot of speed. This makes him a dangerous threat to the opposition at all times, because if he should ever break into the clear, he is almost a sure bet to score a touchdown. Mike is only a sophomore and is showing great promise as a varsity football player.

Quinn Ubil, also a sophomore, is a good defensive player. He has thrown his opposition for many a loss, and one of his encounters accounted for a safety in the A. I. duPont game.

Wayne Dabson, Jack Macklin, John Caldwell, and Ted Magonigal also have shone on defense, and are very good on offense too. They are big boys who can really hit hard when they want to, and, along with Brown and Ubil, they hold the keys to Conrad's future.

The individual scoring statistics are as follows:

|               | TD       | EP       | Totals    |
|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Ken Holdren   | 1        | 0        | 6         |
| Mike Brown    | 1        | 0        | 6         |
| Jim Woolard   | 1        | 0        | 6         |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>18</b> |

TD—touchdowns EP—extra points

## Basketball Bows In

The Thanksgiving Day football game marks the end of Conrad's football season this year, but it also marks the beginning of the 1957-58 basketball season.

The Redskins suffered a rather discouraging season last year, but this year should prove to be a successful one.

Varsity coach Michael Visnovsky and J.V. coach Calvin Wood expect the support of sophomore, junior, and senior boys in order to have a bang-up season. Since several lettermen have returned from last year, Coach Visnovsky expects a

strong squad. In all, there are four lettermen returning. They are Don Wallace, Toby Craig, Elwood Scales, and Bill Webster. There are also several boys on last year's J.V. squad who will most likely be seen wearing varsity uniforms this year.

Making up this year's schedule will be Kennett Square, Newark, Wilmington High, A. I. duPont, Mt. Pleasant, Salesianum, Claymont, P. S. duPont, Howard, and William Penn.

**REMEMBER! THE TEAM WILL NEED YOUR SUPPORT! COME OUT AND SEE THE GAMES!**

## FOOTBALL REVIEW

Oct. 12—Wm. Penn

Roger Stanley, Wm. Penn halfback, put on a one-man show for the onlookers at Urie Stadium before a partisan Conrad homecoming crowd. Stanley scored three touchdowns for the boys from New Castle, who downed the Redskins 20-0. The Black and Red's passing game broke the back of the Redskins along with some in-between goals running by back Larry Alfree. The perfect placements by guard Wilbert Moore added the other two Colonial points. Conrad, hindered by the absence of some key players due to illness, witnessed some fine play by halfback Larry Schwartz, who averaged five yards per carry and made some good blocks when needed.

Oct. 19—Claymont

Conrad won the toss and elected to kick-off and defend the goal which provided a wind advantage. The fireworks started when, on the kick-off, converted end Harold Trotter picked up the ball and scampered some 80 yards for the first score of the contest.

It was an uphill battle for Conrad from the first quarter on. Clyde Prestowitz helped the cause as he tied the game on a 3 yard plunge, with fullback Scales adding what was to be the margin at half time, with his run for the P.A.T.

Trotter, not to be denied this day, then came back, rested, and legged it for another T.D. Claymont quarterback Tonny Bucci scored to ice it for the Indians, and, as they converted on the P.A.T., to make it final at 19-7, Conrad supporters witnessed their team's third straight loss in the '57

Oct. 26—P. S. duPont.

First-half touchdowns by Clarence Herry, Watson Brown, and Bob Vair, along with a successful run by Wayne Snavely for one of the three-point after attempts, iced a victory for a strong-running P.S. eleven.

Conrad broke the shutout attempt in the third quarter as Elwood Scales scored on a two-yard plunge and followed up with the P.A.T. on a run.

P.S.'s 19 came on runs of thirty-seven and twelve yards and a pass play which covered twelve yards. P.S. 19—Conrad 7.

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## The Winters' Circle

by Lew Winters

Football is a great sport, but, oh how that pigskin can take funny bounces. With a line averaging 190 lbs., along with an experienced backfield going for them, Conrad's Redskins were aiming for the driver's seat in the race for state honors this season.

Back in September, at the start of another school year, Conrad was loaded as far as that first eleven was concerned. However, they lacked depth. Well, you can't have everything and not too many high school teams in the Diamond state have that strong a bench.



—Clark

This Claymont player won't go any further!

Well, Lew, where's the excuse for those dandelion predictions? Rosy was the word, but they did literally kill the green grass thinking of hopeful Conrad fans, when they fell flat on their face (the predictions, not the fans). In fact, until that joyous Monday when Wilmington High appeared on the program and played true to my thinking, I was about ready to crawl in a hole until basketball season. Now there's a good topic, I believe we ought to have a real—. No, I might jinx them too.

### Sallies Blamed

Getting back to the gridiron dilemma, can you remember that spirit and fight all Conrad students displayed the week before and during the first half of that Sallies game? However, 27-0 is enough to take the starch out of anybody, especially the players. Wm. Penn moved in the next week and it was homecoming day for the Redskins. You remember that game, I'm sure. That's the one in which those creatures from outer space landed on the day of the pep rally. They must have put the "wammy" on Conrad, as the losing streak rose to two, then three as the presumed inferior Claymont eleven turned on the scoring machine. After the setback by Pierre S., the boys woke up, to High School's amazement. How about that Larry Schwartz, the Red Devils' public enemy number one! Moreover, it was a complete team effort.

### 21st Newark Classic

You've seen how Newark compares to Conrad in identical contests. (See page 1.) The Yellow Jackets look much stronger, mostly via the Wm. Penn contest. However, this can mean little in a traditional game of this nature. Newark-Conrad mud slingsings have dated back to 1937 with Newark taking that first encounter, 13-0. Since then Newark has compiled thirteen more victories, while Conrad has pulled out only six. Never have the two played to a deadlock. Conrad last defeated the Yellow Jackets in '53, 33 to 25. Now hear this!

Conrad last beat W.H.S. in '48, the same year the 'Skins came back to beat Newark, 13 to 0. If this feat can be repeated Conrad's season will be a success, regardless of the win record. Strangely enough, these two victories over Newark, which are the only ones over Newark in the last nine years, have produced in the same years a first string All-State player, the only two we've ever had. (All-State selection started in '48.) For the record, Newark has had eleven who made this honor roll.

Note to varsity football squad: "Determination and desire is equal to material." And keep this in mind: this Newark tussle is the big one. And for seniors: this is farewell to your high school football career, which for some has been a long one full of hard work.

## FOOTBALL REVIEW

(Continued from page 7)

Nov. 4—Wilmington

Baynard Stadium was the scene of Conrad's second victory of the '57 campaign against a rival it could not beat in eight previous outings, Wilmington High.

Two scores by halfback Larry Schwartz, along with tallies by Toby Craig and Elwood Scales, who also was successful in gaining one extra point via a run, totaled 25 for the night for the victorious Redskins.

Billy Smith reached paydirt twice for the Red Devils for their only scores, with center Ted Elder converting twice. Conrad—25, W.H.S.—14.

Nov. 9—Howard

Conrad Redskins entertained the Howard High School Wildcats and gained their third 1957 victory by a score of 39 to 6.

On soggy turf Conrad won the toss and proceeded to dominate the game. Larry Schwartz and Elwood Scales got together to grind out the first touchdown, Scales scoring on a 12 yard run. The extra point attempt was no good. Scales scored the second touchdown also, on a 4 yard run. The score then was Conrad 12, Howard 0.

Clyde Prestowitz owned the next two tallies. He scored one on an interception of 20 yards and the other was on a 35 yard run down the sidelines. The score: Conrad 26, Howard 0.

Toby Craig and Dick Dewitt added Conrad's fifth touchdown on a Craig aerial to Dewitt which covered 36 yards. The extra point conversion made the score 33 to 0. This score at the half was the exact duplicate of last year's final score.

In the third quarter, William Pearson scored Howard's only touchdown of the afternoon on an 8 yard run. Larry Schwartz countered with a 35 yard run and then a one yard plunge for Conrad's sixth and final score.

Conrad—39, Howard—6.

## Gillespie Stars for Cross Country Team

Led by Frank Gillespie, Conrad's cross country team captured second place in the First Annual Suburban Cross Country Championships. In his best performance this year, Gillespie finished just under 11:40 for the 2.3 mile course to earn the second place trophy. (See picture.) Following Gillespie, Conrad placed two more in the first ten—Jack Crelling, 8th, and Roy Jernigan, 9th, while Con Evans, Carl Harmon, Norm Masters, and Jack Ruth provided the essential depth.



—Clark

Frank Gillespie and trophy he won by placing second in the First Annual Suburban Cross Country Championships 2.3 mile run.

The winning school was Mount Pleasant with 20 points, then Conrad with 55, A. I. duPont with 65 and Claymont with 91. Low score wins.

### State Meet

Mr. Gormley's thinclads ended up their 4-1 season by taking third in the State High School Meet. The team bowed only to Howard and Mount Pleasant, while defeating Salesianum, A. I. duPont, P. S. duPont, and Tower Hill.

The surprising runner for Conrad was Roy Jernigan, as he sprinted to finish 10th, just behind Gillespie who was 9th. Behind Jernigan and Gillespie were Carl Harmon, Jack Crelling, Norm Masters, Con Evans and Jack Ruth.

### 4-1 Season

The thinclads' first victory this year was against Claymont in their first meet, Conrad 20, Claymont 38 with Frank Gillespie and Con Evans finishing 2nd and 3rd, respectively. In the second meet A. I. duPont met defeat with the effective use of the team's depth in Norm Masters and Tom Kolasinski. The team's closest score to a shutout (15) was 19 when Carl Harmon, Jack Crelling, and Roy Jernigan finished 1st, 2nd, and 4th against Tower Hill. The team's only defeat came when Mount Pleasant, led by Jay Lutz, outscored us 23-32. The dual meet before the State Championship was with Kennett Square whom we defeated with another low score of 20-39. Although this was the team's first time on Kennett's course, the squad took 2nd through 7th to win.

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