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Administration Announces Complete Addition Plans

Building Program To Begin Soon

Preparations for the long awaited expansion of the Henry C. Conrad High School are now moving along in high gear. Since the approval of the referendum on December 10, the administration and faculty have been working and thinking in terms of the "new building."

This building program does not mean that the students at Conrad will be having a brand new building as do some of the students in the Conrad District, but it does mean that these students will have, in addition to the tried and true facilities of the existing building, more room and improved facilities.

The plans for Conrad call for a program of renovation and construction to serve 1100 students. The improvements call for:

1. four self-contained science classrooms.
2. three additional shop areas.

3. one industrial arts classroom.
4. a new gymnasium.
5. converting the existing gym storage space into a student Distributive Education laboratory.
6. converting the existing gym into a library.
7. converting the existing girls locker room into a health room.
8. renovating the office area to centralize administrative and guidance functions.
9. converting existing library, guidance area, and mechanical drawing room into four additional classrooms.

Ground breaking for this project is set to start in the near future. The new construction is to take place at the south end of the present building. Part of the present parking area and much of the football field will be used for the new construction.

Just how long it will take to complete this project is not known, but probably the best part of 18 months will be gone before

the entire project is finished. School will be able to continue while the contractor is working, as little of the new construction will affect the present building.

This plan is going to mean a lot more to the students than meets the eye. The entire curriculum will be revamped, which means that additional courses will be offered. Also, the possibility that classes will be smaller and that facilities will be improved to such an extent that students will be able to progress more rapidly is not without some truth.

Items of Current Interest

Girls to Visit

Business Show

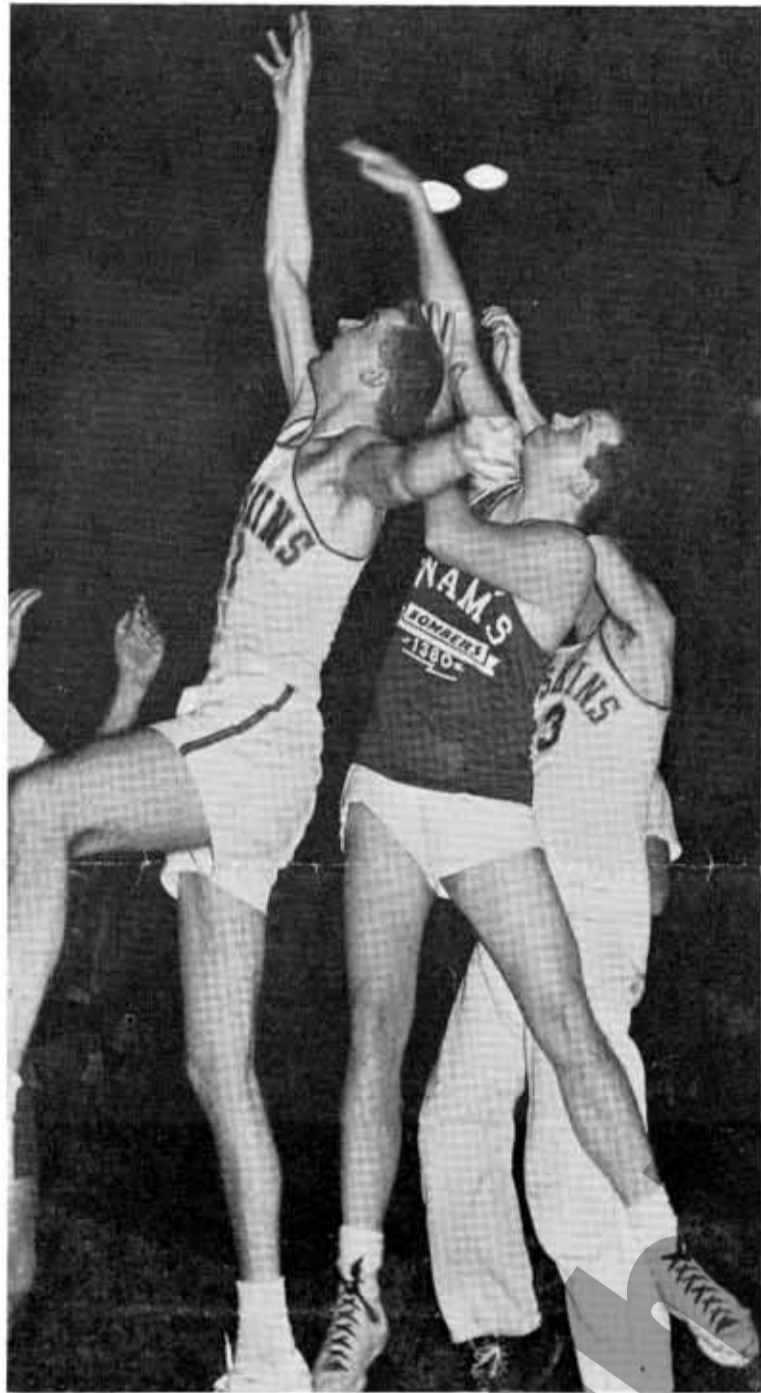
The Office Practice and Clerical Practice classes will visit the Business Show sponsored by the National Office Management Association in the Gold Ballroom of Hotel DuPont on the morning of February 15. This show features the latest equipment used in business offices.

Help Is Available

Are you having trouble with some of your subjects? If so, members of the Future Teachers' Club will be glad to help you. Tutoring is a project just started this year by the F.T.A. as a service to the school and students. Members are assigned to a teacher, at the teacher's request, to help students having trouble, during study halls or after school. Students may receive this free tutoring simply by telling their teacher they would like help.

Student Store Is In Full Swing

Are you tired of lending pencils, paper, and dates to your buddies? From now on, just remind them that the Student Store is open fifteen minutes before the opening of school and for fifteen at the close of school. Also inform them that it is located in the center hall next to room 217. Although they can supply pencils, paper, and other school supplies, I am afraid you'll have to consult the phone book for your dates.



Could it be a modern dance class? No, just our Faculty and the "Bombers."

Highlights of "Bomber" Game Linger Various Impressions Held by Onlookers

New Look

The latest fashion in the world of basketball seems to be "suspenders," red ones! In addition to red suspenders one other of the "Bomber" players sported a very chic head piece of dazzling white silk which gave a sophisticated appearance to his red shorts.

Another fashion fad which will go over big with the boys this summer is a pair of black bermuda shorts. To give this outfit that divine look of elegance, no shirt is worn; however, the suspenders are a "must."

Still another first in basketball is the numbers on the uniforms. The use of whole numbers is rapidly becoming obsolete. The use of fractions is the latest thing. (Note: Is this because our minds correspond more nearly with the fractions in size?)

Comments Heard During Game:

"Get your hand out of my pocket."

"That's my head you're scratching."

"Now I know how a sardine feels."

"Is there anything Mr. Smith can't do?"

"Three cheers for Mr. Schulze."

"Say, look at Mr. Kilhefner and Mr. Work over there k'bitzing. How come they're not in here, too? Didn't they make the team?"

"Gee, but that Mr. Keay can run!"

Notice

Attention all juniors and sophomores planning to attend college. April 26, 1961, there will be a Northern Delaware College Night held in the Wilmington area. Keep your eyes and ears open for further details.

"I think it was a nice gesture to let a couple of Dickinson teachers play."

"Isn't he dreamy?"

"But I did too have a ticket."

"Look at Diane's face."

"Don't you think Frank Lawrence is just too cute." (Yeah, Frankie!)

Notes

Bones Dobbins thought he was high scorer and signed autographs on \$1 bills . . . Jim Barrier thought it was football with his blocks and his recovery of the fumble in the third quarter . . . Wonder what Mr. Smith did when he learned that his wife booed him when he fouled? . . . This was the best dance ever . . . Conrad stopped the WAMS two game winning streak . . . WAMS presented this whole program without any charge to us.

Neither Snow Nor Howling Winds Stopped This Pair

It was a cold, snowy morning when two stout-hearted Conradians set out on what developed into a most memorable day. This was the day of the inauguration of our 35th President, John F. Kennedy. The two Conradians were Bob Bried and Tom Spain, the President and Vice-President of our Student Council. This once-in-a-life-time opportunity was offered to them through the (Continued on Page 2, Column 4)

Some of the students came up with these names for the faculty following the game.

- Dead-eye Davis
- Killer Keay
- Baby Hughy Patterson
- Hot-Shot Ott
- Lefty Schulze
- Pooped-out Pletcher
- Sleepy Smith
- Terror Terranova

The Smoke Signal staff would like to extend their appreciation to all the people, especially the teachers, who freely and willingly donated their time to help make this game a success.

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Editorials

THINK BEFORE COMPLAINING

Now that the exams are over and some of us feel that we haven't done so well as we should, let's not try to push the blame—which, because we're not grown-up enough to bear it, we feel isn't ours—upon someone else's shoulders, namely the teacher's. We're no longer infants; our responsibilities must be faced. It's easy to say, "He's not a good teacher. If I had just had a good teacher I would have done much better," when we're avoiding the facts about our own laissez-faire attitude. True, some teachers can make a subject seem easier than can others, but as the old saying goes, "A person receives from an undertaking that which he puts into it." And it's pretty safe to say that this is true at least ninety percent of the time. For that other ten percent you may have a point, but before you start complaining, take stock of yourself. Consider your previous grades, the grades which other members of your class have received, and then, if you still think it's not entirely your fault—but before, if you're the type person to which I'm referring, you start complaining—go to see the teacher. Find out his views. Then, perhaps you will be able to make a better judgment of both yourself and your teacher.

WHAT IS AN INTELLECTUAL?

As Gilbert might have put it, "what a dastardly bad shame, old chap," that so many people have a distorted, immature, and jejune conception of the quality of intellectualism. I have no doubt that the average American when hearing a person described as "an intellectual" immediately conjures up a mental picture of a rather sissy-like character who wears inch-thick glasses and walks about mumbling the theorems of Einstein. Or, if they are of a more romantic nature, they might perchance imagine a small, potbellied creature with a long, white beard and wearing a moth-eaten tweed coat. But whatever the picture, it is almost sure to carry with it the idea that an intellectual is a sort of in-human person—a walking computer, immersed in floods of knowledge and separated from normal human feelings.

What then is an intellectual?—if not one of God's weirder creations, what can it be? An intellectual is merely a person who faces life through thought rather than through blind emotion, the father of all prejudices. An intellectual is a person who lives life below the superficial things which consume the time of unintellectual people—he attempts to search life for meaning, he attempts to experience a true emotion in seeking truth. Outwardly there is no certain guide for identifying an intellectual. He may be athletic or uncoordinated, fat or thin, witty or jovial or dry and humourless; there is no cut and dry standard.

How then may an "intellectual" be identified?

The intellectual is one who is ever eager for knowledge, in whatever guise it may come. An intellectual, because of his deeper acquaintance with the wherefores of life, can find stirring pleasure in the solemn wisdom of Euripides, the skip of a leaf on a windy day, the eternal rhythms of Beethoven, a setting sun, the smile of discovery on the face of a student—as well as the common but superficial things of life.

An intellectual is a person who, when in love, thinks not only of the "beauty" and "perfection" of the one to whom he is attracted, but who also can see past the physical and emotional aspects to a truer and more complete picture—that of the "total person." "Total person" is made up of the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual characteristics of the person. Is not mental and spiritual rapport much worthier than only the attraction of the physical? Does form, shape, or color endure as something related to the greatness of life? No! The things that last, the things which are of a deeper and more profound significance are those things that originate in the sensitive and deadly serious mind of a thinker. For is not life itself deadly serious? Is the fact and mystery of existence something which can be forced into

dogmatic patterns and explained in the puny and meaningless terms of man's ideas? It is not completely ignorant and dangerous to continue living a life surrounded by lack of thought, guided by stereotyped ideas and values picked up here and there, and allowing oneself to follow the rule of fashion in social relations? Oh praised be the person who through strength of mind and originality of spirit can throw off the bonds of conformity without fearing reprisal!

This is the slow but continual and pernicious fault of the human race. The things which men cannot understand he pushes back into misty oblivion; the things which he can understand he enlarges and adds to them his own imagined structures of ideas that he delights in calling "truth." Those who attempt to go beyond what man has made and "explained"—to them the human group assigns the name "Foolish." Man laughs at and tries to suppress the only persons in whom he may trust for truth in the future.

I challenge you: Who is the Foolish One?!

J. S. Bragdon

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Our assemblies seem to have come to a complete halt. There must be a lot of information to be extended to the student body which would enlighten our views. A program curriculum should be a major issue in the school and I feel an interesting hour spent more often in the auditorium would promote more enthusiasm from the students. Informative speakers could be called upon to talk to us; the different activity clubs could plan a program in which the respective members could take part. I feel this would provide experience for the ones who take part and an interesting and entertaining activity for the student body. Let's have more assemblies!!!

Susan Kowalski

Dear Editor:

It is our opinion that the support of school activities is a major part of a pupil's curriculum. To have a well-balanced school life one must attend activities as well as performing the natural scholastic achievements.

It appears evident that the needed support of the student is lacking. The clubs are not receiving the needed enthusiasm from their members. To keep club activities alive at Conrad, there must be full support from the student body.

We only receive that which we put in.

Dennis Holton
 Ellen Hinrichs

Dear Editor,

If you were one of the few Conradians at the Newark game, you'll know what I'm talking about. At the beginning of the season there was a good sized crowd on the Conrad side but slowly the number of people attending the games has gotten smaller and smaller. The cheerleaders are practically cheering by themselves and the team doesn't have any support. Lately, after about the second quarter, you can just see the boys giving up when they are only a few points behind and, with some support from the stands, could win. The games are good even if we don't win them all! What happened to all the spirit we had for the football games? The team needs your support so let's have those bleachers filled from now on!

Disgusted

Dear Editor:

I want to take this time to say how the game we played Monday turned out. It was the biggest turn-out we had at school since the Conrad-Dickinson game. It was an exciting game as well as funny. The Wams Bombers were very good but of course we were better. The score was 56 to 50 in favor of Conrad. With this game, the Press Club's finances were greatly helped; thus it can publish better papers. We, the Press Club want to thank you, the student body.

Brenda Jaremchuck

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10th Grade

Second Marking Period

Linda Bruce	Margaret Hughes	Norman Kiddell
Phyllis Clougston	Thomas Lee	Robert Tanner
Kathleen Dashiell	John McMinn	Frances Sapp
Mary Eastburn	Arlene Kreer	Ann Schell
Harriet Garver	Arlene Lance	Robert Vinyard
Harry Gr'esback	Harvey Mitchell	John Wilson
Julia Guida	Phyllis Murray	
Joann Kania	Martha Neave	

First Semester

Linda Bruce	John McMinn	Roger Suro
Phyllis Clugston	Arlene Lance	Robert Tanner
Mary Eastburn	Harvey Mitchell	Nancy Russell
Harriet Garver	Phyllis Murray	Frances Sapp
Ann Hafslund	Martha Noave	Ann Schell
Joann Kania	Patricia Price	Nancy Valentine
Margaret Hughes	Norman Riddell	Robert Vinyard
Thomas Lee	Al Sonchen	John Wilson

Poetry Corner

My Visit

by Sharon Shoenfelt

I visited a place of mystic display
 clothed in a drape of ice.
 The trees bade me come—delicate
 arms open wide.
 O'er the carpet of lacy delight,
 I went and I stayed only long as
 I could
 'Neath the trees, on the carpet,
 how downy and white
 Then the Spring came and
 changed my mystic
 display to a forest of water not
 ice—

Number, Please

by Frank Lawrence

Here I am in a telephone booth
 The door is stuck (and I'm only
 a youth)
 The building surrounding seems
 to have caught fire,
 And of this terrible heat I'm beginning
 to tire.
 Uh-oh, now the ceiling upon me
 is piled.
 Good-bye dear world, I guess my
 number's been dialed.

"Whether Later or Sooner"

It seems to me
 That to be
 Is to BE
 And forgotten
 But to have been
 And be
 Is far better.
 Fame quoted today
 Is good
 But fame tomorrow to be
 (And not know)
 Brings sorrow—
 Not pleasure!
 HOWEVER,
 I think as I seem
 And seem as I be
 But never
 Will a tomorrow of fame
 BE as nice
 As when
 I
 Be
 Here then
 Just the same.

Neither Snow Nor Howling Winds
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efforts of Mrs. Margaret Manning, Republican Representative from Christiana Hundred.

The day started for Bob and Tom at about 6 A.M. Boarding the Inauguration Special, the boys reached Washington just in time to run over to the Capitol for the swearing in ceremonies. The proceeding certainly inspired them, but what really moved the boys were the policemen saying, "Let's move along boys." From here the two fellows made their way to their box seats just across from the White House. Although Tom and Bob were determined to see the whole parade, (Continued on Page 4, Column 2)

Varsity "Greenhorns" Coming Along Well

This is the second year for varsity wrestling at Conrad. The team is under the guidance of Mr. James Pletcher. His boys can be found working out every day after school. For most of the boys this is their first year. There are only three boys back from last season.

It will be a few years before wrestling really develops at Conrad, but we can all help by attending the matches.

The following boys are on the team:

Don Latorney—junior	Mike Bachman—sophomore
Rich King—senior	Emery Beacher—sophomore
Bill West—sophomore	Ron Nichols—sophomore
Al Shepperd—junior	Bill Taylor—sophomore
Neal Larson—junior	Fred Loveless—senior
Charles Preibe—senior	Tom Hartnell—sophomore
Russel Rough—senior	Don Willard—senior

Learn Those Cheers!

We know everyone would yell louder if he knew the cheers, so here are the new ones. Learn them and then let's hear them loud and clear at the games!

THE BASKET YELL

Tip it in the center,
Dribble down the floor,
Shoot that basket,
Score, Conrad, Score

THE BEATNIK YELL

Like man we're swinging and we're here to stay,
We've got the fight and the team and we'll win today.
So come on boys let's boost that score;
Like man let's yell and win one more!

Girls Have Spirited Team

In spite of the fact that the Girls' Varsity Basketball Squad has only one victory to its credit, they have shown plenty of spirit and ability. They started off with a loss to Brandywine, 32 to 27, but quickly brushed the defeat off their minds with a victory over Middletown 57-21. The girls were unsuccessful in their next two attempts, losing to Alexis I. DuPont 52-19 and Mount Pleasant 50-41. But these figures don't dampen their hopes of winning future games, especially when they won over Dickinson, 35 to 29.

The Varsity have recently elected Joan Corrie, a Junior, as their captain. The other members of the starting line-up are usually five of the following: Shirley Flowers, Wilma Harrington, Jean Brooks, Diane Cunningham, Gloria Faye Smith, Linda Grehawick, or Gerrie Finan. The outstanding scorers are usually Joan Corrie and Jean Brooks.

The Junior Varsity, captained by Barbara Altemus, have a 2-2 record so far this year. They were the victors in contests against Middletown 21-7 and Alexis I. DuPont 25-3. They were defeated at the hands of Brandywine 27-13 and Mt. Pleasant 21-16, but rallied to win over Dickinson.

The other members of the squad are as follows: Pat Hammond, Doris Morris, Kathy Dashiell, Kathy Smith, Mary Peet.

Armed Forces to Present Program

Monday evening, March 20, from 8-10 P.M. Conrad High will hold an Armed Forces Night.

Students and their parents are invited to attend this meeting in Cummings' Auditorium where all branches of the armed forces will be represented.

During the course of the evening, the following will be explained:

- 1.) Military obligations of all boys.
- 2.) Training programs for each branch of the service.
- 3.) Preparation (school subjects needed) for training programs.

A general session will last fifty minutes, followed with two sessions by each of the services. Everybody will be able to attend two sessions where a film and a period of questions and answers will be featured.

5 Seniors, 7 Underclassmen Make All-County Band

Five Conrad Seniors and seven underclassmen have received announcement of their acceptance to the newly conceived All-County Band, composed of high school students throughout New Castle County.

Tryouts were held here at Conrad January 10th, at which time more than one hundred musicians demonstrated their comparative abilities.

The players will get together several times for rehearsal before presenting their concert, in the Spring, at the new Wilmington High School.

Those Conradians elected, noting their instruments and positions are as follows: Seniors—Margaret Smith, 1st flute, 3rd chair; Herbert Hoefler, 2nd clarinet, 4th chair; Margaret Anderson, 3rd clarinet, 1st chair; John



Russ Rough and Rick King demonstrate "Cradle"

Interscholastic Wrestling Gains Sure Foothold

When someone mentions wrestling, most of us think of the farcical display of physical brutality as seen on T.V. However, Interscholastic Wrestling is quite different; it is a sport of skill, speed, and strength. Extreme care has been taken in establishing rules which protect the welfare of the participants.

The object is to pin the opponent (that is to keep his shoulder blades against the mat for three consecutive seconds), or to score more points than the opponent. For every pin the team is awarded five points and for a decision it is awarded three points.

There are twelve weight classes: 95 lbs., 103 lbs., 112 lbs., 127 lbs., 133 lbs., 138 lbs., 145 lbs., 154 lbs., 165 lbs., 180 lbs., and unlimited. A participant must be below the designated weight in order to wrestle in that class. From January to February two additional pounds are allowed, and in February one more pound is granted.

Different points are awarded for certain movements:

Take Down—two points—a man is awarded the points if he can take his opponent to the mat and remain in control.

Reversal—two points—a man comes from disadvantage to a position of advantage.

Escape—one point—a man breaks completely away from his opponent.

Predicament—one point—the man's shoulders must be within 45 degrees of the mat.

Near Fall—three points—a man is held down on the mats with his shoulders pinned for two seconds.

Pin—five points—a man's shoulders are against the mat for three seconds. A pin automatically end the match.

At the beginning of the match, the participants shake hands and

Gahan, 1st bassoon; Emily Boyer, alto clarinet, 3rd chair. Juniors—Daniel Mahan, 2nd coronet, 2nd chair; Debbie Smith, 1st horn, 1st chair; Wally Schock, 4th horn, 2nd chair; Curtis Livermore, baritone, 3rd chair. Sophomores—Barbara Marvel, 3rd horn, 2nd chair; Edward Ranck, snare drum; Lee Mitchell, 2nd oboe.

cross the mat. There are three, two minute periods. The first period the wrestlers start in a standing position. The second period they start from the referee's position. The man

which has the advantage in this period will have the disadvantage in the third period. At the end of the match the participants shake hands as the better wrestler emerges as the victor.

Office Announces First Honor Roll

12th Grade

Second Marking Period

Janice Livermore Joanne Mansfield

First Semester

Janice Livermore Joanne Mansfield

11th Grade

Second Marking Period

Lorraine Crowl Joanne Porter

Kenneth Maclary Carol Pry

First Semester

Lorraine Crowl Kenneth Maclary

10th Grade

Second Marking Period

Patricia Price Judy Ryan

Al Sanchen Jeanne Schmidt

Roger Suro Mary Simmons

Nancy Russell Nancy Valentine

First Semester

Barbara Lee Marvel Mary Simmons

Judy Ryan

Jeanne Schmidt

Second Honor Roll

Second Marking Period

Barbara Francis Frank Lawrence

James Gregg Carol Powell

Dennis Holton James Shrouds

Charlotte Ann Jones Margaret Smith

Marilyn Kessel Grace Witt

First Semester

Dennis Holton Anne Walters

Charlotte Ann Jones Grace Witt

Marilyn Kessel Joan Eyre

Patricia Lenhoff

Margaret Smith

11th Grade

Second Marking Period

Curtis Livermore Larry Renninger

Lois Lynch Deborah Smith

Angela Malanga Nancy Taylor

Linda Morris William Taylor

Dianne Moshier Carolyn Stewart

Michael Norris

Elizabeth Phelps

First Semester

Wilma Harrington Joanne Porter

Lois Lynch Carol Pry

Angela Malanga Larry Penninger

Lynne Kamperman Deborah Smith

Linda Morris Nancy Taylor

D'anne Moshier William Taylor

Michael Norris Carolyn Stewart

Elizabeth Phelps

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Eugene Lincoln

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Gail Borinsky

Jonathan Bragdon

Gail Borinsky

Jonathan Bragdon

Rodney Chronister

Frederick George

Ann Haplund

Barbara Lee Marvel

Rodney Chronister

Kathleen Dashiell

Frederick George

Diane Bishoff

Emily Boyer

Robert Bried

F'rmin de Erabender

Herbert Hoefler

Diane Bishoff

Emily Boyer

Herbert Hoefler

Barbara Francis

James Gregg

Joyce Buckworth

Burman Burgess

Marcia Clapp

Eileen Clark

Geraldine Finan

Robert Hill

Thomas Hutt

Joyce Buckworth

Burman Burgess

Marcia Clapp

Eileen Clark

William Cross

Linda Eschelwick

Geraldine Finan

Thomas Hutt

Roving Redskin

Ask Mr. Work who his favorite student is. While you're at it, ask Frank Lawrence who his favorite teacher is.

Attention a certain senior boy! We think you'd better return that article of clothing, whatever it may be, to what's-her-name. It seems you borrowed it for football season and uh-well, you know how news gets around.

Some members of the senior class are throwing a Hurray!-the - Exams - Are - Over - Golly-Gee - Whiz - How - Come - We-Funked-Party, to be followed by an Avoid - the - June - Rush-Flunk - Now - Party, to be followed by a Hello-Again-Conrad-Party.

If you see a piece of Machinery looking at you with a balefed stare, don't be surprised. It's probably our own shutterbug Cameraman Lincoln taking picture of School Life for the Conradian. So mind your p's and q's.

What teacher at Conrad High School is known as the "Lancaster Lover" and wears blue and red ties that look purple?

You say your trig test was easy? What class are you in?

We want to know who interviewed Bob and Tom for their article in this issue.

Well we always say, it's better to have wrestled and lost than never to have wrestled at all.

Student Personality



Have you decided yet what you want to be? We asked her. She cringed her eyes mischievously and replied, "I have long dreamed I would be an airline hostess, someday. That is, if I grow at least two or more inches taller!" Keep hoping Cookie, we're hoping for it, too.

"Sentimental?" They Say

Aren't people funny! (No plug for Art Linkletter.) I tend to get misty when I remember Valentine's Day and the sentiment with which it is associated.

Do you ever remember receiving a card from someone and you didn't send one to him? Wasn't it dreadful! What to do . . . do you erase the name of a kid who didn't send you a card or use one of the spares you bought? Then there is always a "be my valentine" from the kid who used to pick on you at the playground. He's always the one who sends the "neatest" card. You won't admit it to your little friends, but when you're by yourself or nobody's looking you start moving the parts frantically.

The true sentiments come out in the card from your boy or girl friend. This is usually signed with his or her best attempt at printing their name.

Yes, Valentine's Day is truly a day of sentiment. The sentiment is there if you only look for it.

Neither Snow Nor Howling Winds (Continued)

nevertheless when dusk approached, their spirits dropped along with the temperature. They proceeded indoors to a reception for the Delaware Delegates in a nearby hotel. But time was running out for the boys so they wearily made their way back to the station to await the long ride home. Tired and weary Bob and Tom boarded the train, looking forward to dry clothes and a warm bed, which they eventually found when they arrived home at about 2:00 A.M.

Lawyer Lincoln To Be Presented At Festival

"Lawyer Lincoln," a gay and delightful comedy in one act, will be the Conrad Sock & Buskin club's entry in the 19th annual Delaware Dramatics Festival to be held March 23 and 24 in Mitchell Hall at the University of Delaware.

High Schools and community theaters from everywhere within a 100-mile radius of Wilmington enter one-act productions and cuttings from full length plays in the competition. The productions are rated by a guest Critic Judge chosen by the Delaware Dramatics Association. The Sock & Buskin club is the only producing group which has participated in the Festival every year since its beginning.

Conradians will see this year's play at a special assembly before the Festival. A lively, swift-moving comedy, universal in theme, based on the amusing foibles of human nature as well as the almost legendary wit and wisdom of Abe Lincoln, the play holds appeal for everyone.

The setting is a boardinghouse in a small town in pioneer-day Illinois; the time, the spring of the year 1849. The characters include four men and five women.

Janice Livermore will portray Sis Seasey, "keeper of a boardinghouse, plump, jolly, 40." Bill Harlow will play her son Nate, "a bashful youth, basically good-looking when slicked up proper," just turned 21, who is having a hard time building up both his nerve and his finances before proposing to Keenie Jackson (Sre Kowalski), "a vivacious, rather strong-minded girl of 18" who insists she must have "a pretty proposal, vows of undying love, and a travelin' honeymoon," in the words of Mr. Abraham Lincoln (Bob Fisher) "a Circuit Court lawyer, clean-shaven and 40." But how did Age get mixed up in all this anyway? Well, he and Judge Davis (Earl Wilt), "handsome, portly, and very much on his dignity," and Mr. Craig, (Earl Wilt) "a young lawyer and something of a dandy" have been taking food and lodging at Sis Seasey's boarding house while preparing for the opening of a Circuit Court session. The Judge has become most impatient with Lawyer Lincoln, who takes up much time in swapping yarns and "delights in settling things out of court." Abe responds to Mrs. Seasey's plea for him to help Nate get up the gumption to propose to Keenie by making a deal with the Judge: "If I succeed in getting Nate to propose, you are never to lecture me again about wasting time." If he fails, Lincoln agrees, he will mend his ways to suit the judge.

Judge Davis, however, takes underhanded measures to make certain that the proposal will never be made; but he fails to

consider Lincoln ingenuity—and the ways of love!

Other characters who help to thicken the plot are Keenie's mother, Mrs. Jackson (Carol Colmery), "tall, strong, and practical;" Keenie's best friend, Luly May (Lee Clark), and Miss Sophrony, a "brisk, gay maiden lady" who is far from resigned to old-maidhood!

Mansfield Brings Fame to Conrad

Joann Mansfield received top spot among Conrad students competing in the Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow contest. As the school winner she becomes a candidate for the State Homemaker of Tomorrow award which will be announced in March. She also received a pin which represents the slogan, "Home is Where the Heart Is." The contest, which consisted of a written examination on homemaking knowledge and attitudes, was sponsored by General Mills.

The first place winner in the state will receive a \$1500 scholarship and the second place participant will receive a \$500 scholarship. Also the first place winner and her faculty adviser receive an expense-paid educational tour of New York City, Williamsburg, Va., and Washington,

D.C., April 8-13. The trip will culminate in the announcement of the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow who will receive a \$5000 scholarship.

What Would We Do Without Them?

Among the many clubs of Conrad High, there is one that never seems to get much praise or mention. This is the Visual Aides Club, which is really the service club of the school. Many Conradians do not actually realize the services that this club renders and the good the club does for the school. When we want to hear a tape recording or see a film in our various classes, it is this club that we call on. When there is any dance, our Visual Aides are there to set up the equipment. Before any assembly, you can probably see members of this club scurrying around to get the "mike," etc., in order. What could we do without these "servicemen?"

The officers of the club are President, Don Willis; Vice President, Russ Read; Treasurer, Wayne Dahling; Secretary, Linda Szariko. So let's give credit where credit is due and thank Mr. Peak, sponsor, and all the members of the Visual Aides Club for carrying on a fine job.

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