



Conrad Welcomes Holland's Toni Langenveld Bertrands Open Home To Exchange Student

The newest, and one of the most interesting members of the senior class, is Miss Maria Christina Antoinette Langenveld, a native of the town of Heerlen, in the province of Limburg, which is located in a country with the frightening name of Koninkrijk Der Nederlanden, or, more improperly, Holland. Toni is with us through the courtesy of the American Field Service. She is staying with Helen Bertrand, a senior, and is very happy with her. When asked how she liked living with Helen she said, "I love her."

If you could catch her in a pair of wooden shoes, she would look just like a picture drawing of a little Dutch girl, with her shimmering blond hair and sparkling blue eyes, but this is very unlikely because she says wooden shoes even in Holland went out with the horse and buggy.

She commented on the United States the other day, saying, "So far as I am here — I haven't been here more than two months — really, I would like to live here always. I think here there is more opportunity to get on in life than in Europe." However, she is not



—Green
TONI LANGENVELD, CONRAD INDIAN, AND AMERICAN SISTER HELEN BERTRAND

afraid to criticize anything American that displeases her. So far the only two things she has found are poison ivy and squash.

She thinks that the public schools here are very easy, because in Holland students are given no choice as to the course they may follow — they take all of them. Eighteen subjects, including five years each of four different languages, were numbered among her studies. She took a complete math and science course, too, including physics, and "chemics," as she would put it. European college makes up for it if you are comparing their school system to ours, because in Tilburg, the university she will attend upon her return to the Netherlands, they study only the subject they select as their major and do not have a multiple curriculum such as that which gives us our bachelor's degree in this country. She plans to major in public service and become a social worker in an orphanage.

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—Green
TOM CASSELL, ROY ADAMS, NANCY STRYHOLUK, SKIP GAINOR, AND SHIRLEY ALTEMUS REHEARSE FOR FALL PLAY IN CUMMINGS AUDITORIUM

"JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT" PUSHES FREE PRIVATE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM

WHAT IS JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT?

"Junior Achievement," says Mr. Thomas S. English, its local executive director, "is a nationwide non-profit organization whose main purpose is to give high school students a chance to see what the American free enterprise system is really like, by making it possible for them to join small corporations that they run for themselves."

HOW DOES JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT WORK?

Each year, junior and senior boys and girls meet at a Junior Achievement center one night a week for thirty weeks. During this time, corporations are formed, each having about a dozen boys and girls as members. Each corporation decides on a product to manufacture or service to sell, and raises capital by selling stock at fifty cents a share. They then buy raw materials, rent work space, and begin making their product. Next, and most difficult of all, they go from door to door selling the finished products. At the end

of the year, the corporation is liquidated, and if there is a profit, dividends are paid to stockholders. In other words, Junior Achievers are the directors, wage earners, and salesmen of their own corporation. Though counseled by experts from local sponsoring concerns, the Junior Achievers are

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VITAL STATISTICS

STATE FUNDS

1955-56 school year — \$253,293.00
1956-57 school year — \$256,721.00

LOCAL FUNDS

1955-56 school year — \$28,749.92

Enrollment in June 1956—843

Graduates in June 1956—187

Enrollment in October 1956—946

Enrollment breakdown (1956-57)

210 seniors

337 juniors

399 sophomores

New Administration Lauds Conradian Spirit and Cooperation

Our principal, Mr. Long, first entered Conrad as a teacher in 1938, but left in 1943 to go to Middletown. There he was the Superintendent of Middletown High School. During 1945-1946 he was active in Dover working for the Army on the Food Production War Training Plan. After this he returned to Conrad. Here he remained as a teacher until February of 1955 when the school board named him as the assistant principal.

Although most students seem satisfied, the question that bothers Mr. Long the most is the way the seniors have been treated this fall. It may not seem fair at the present time, but there are reasons why the seniors have been asked to put up with so many hardships.

Conrad's administration feels that the seniors have enough sense of loyalty toward the school that they will take good care of the auditorium while they are forced to camp out there until the addition is completed. Then their privileges will be restored.

Mr. Buchanan, vice-principal, was graduated from Lock Haven Teachers College in Pennsylvania in 1935. The following September, he started teaching at Conrad, where he taught mathematics until 1942. He married a former Conrad teacher, Mary Lee Jones. After serving 3½ years in World War II, he returned to the States to work for the Veterans Administration. In 1949 he accepted a

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"Little Dog" Will "Laugh" Nov. 15, 16

The annual fall play, sponsored by the Sock and Buskin Dramatics Club, and this year entitled "The Little Dog Laughed," will be produced Thursday and Friday nights, November 15 and 16.

The play, to be directed by Mr. Donald Morgan, involves a college sophomore girl, Laurie Huntington (played by Nancy Stryholuk), who comes home from college fascinated with psychology. Her family — Sidney Huntington, the father (played by Skip Gainor); Martha Huntington, the mother (played by Shirley Altemus); Wally Huntington, Laurie's little brother (Tom Cassell); and Gus, the maid (Barbara Hoagland) — all become victims of Laurie's psychological tests. The house becomes a jumble of notebooks and strange-looking blocks. Everyone is getting intelligence tests, word association tests, "blood-to-the-brain" tests, etc. To complicate matters, there is a feud between

the Huntington family and the Wood family. Mr. Wood (Bob Lidums) and Mr. Huntington are rival used-car salesmen and Mrs. Wood (Isabel Helms) is an ex-friend of Mrs. Huntington. The last straw, though, comes when young Wally Huntington falls for the Woods' daughter—pretty, 16-year-old Joan (Barbara Tanner).

Others in the cast are Roy Adams as Mark Bradford, Joan's cousin and medical student; Russ Fulton as Horatio P. Honeywell, taxidermist; and Sally Helwig, Joy Larrimore, Judy Toy, Barbara Gregg, and Joan Cadmus, all playing society matrons.

This laugh-packed comedy is being directed by Mr. Donald Morgan, new head of the Dramatics Department succeeding Mr. Joseph Simmons, who is now teaching at A. I. duPont. Mr. Cecil Schulze, co-advisor of the Sock and Buskin Club, is the technical

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Cottrell Wins First Place in National Trapshooting Contest in Ohio

This year we have a national celebrity in our school. He is Jon Cottrell whom many of you may know. On August 24, 1956, Jon won the title of "National Junior Handicap Trapshooting Champion." Jon has had an avid interest in guns and shooting for the past several years, and his hobby has finally paid off. Now he carries a gold Hamilton automatic wrist watch.

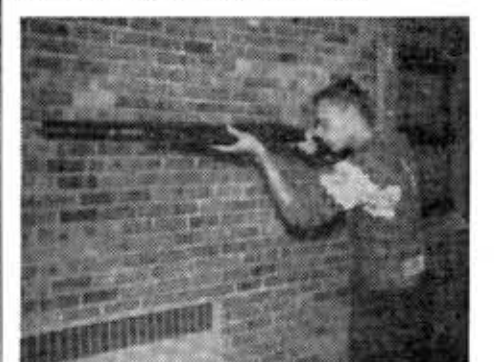
In Vandalia, Ohio, each year, there is a national trapshooting contest. Last year and again this year, Jon attended the meet. The contest itself was staged for one week, with Jon participating for only three days. The players were handicapped by a method which forces them to retreat to a greater distance from the target area after each series of shots. Jon managed, with a few tight moments, to get to the finals where he and another boy shot off for the title. His most dangerous opponent was John Harris III of Canton, Ohio.

Jon used a Winchester model XII, which is an excellent twelve-gauge shotgun. His scores were in the 90's, but his win was by a narrow margin against Harris. Jon says he will be back next summer to compete again.

He intends to follow in the footsteps of his father who is a salesman of supplies and ammunition for guns. Jon also feels that it is a wonderful hobby for active boys, and that a boy can really gain experience and enjoyment from guns and shooting.

COMING EVENTS

- October
20—Football—P. S. duPont (H)
22—J.V. Football—P. S. duPont (A)
25—Girls' Hockey—Wm. Penn (A)
Cross Country — Claymont, Mt. Pleasant, Conrad
No school—Teachers' Convention
26—No school—Teachers' Convention
27—Football—Wilmington (H)
29—J.V. Football—Wilmington (H)
31—Polio Shots (2nd set) 1:30 P.M.
- November
1—Newark—Hockey (A)
Cross Country—State High School Meet—2:30 P.M.
3—Football—Howard (Baynard Stadium)
5—P.T.A. Meeting—8:00 P.M. Auditorium
J.V. Football—Howard (H)
10—Football—Mt. Pleasant (A)
Cross Country—State Open Championship—10:30 A.M.
12—J.V. Football—Mt. Pleasant (A)
15 and 16—Fall Play—8:30 P.M. Auditorium.
22—Football—Newark (A)



—Green
SHARPSHOOTER COTTRELL TAKES CAREFUL AIM

Berlin Diary*

by George Kenyon

In writing my story about my wonderful summer in Europe this year, I shall informally follow the travel diary into which I wrote each day while in Europe. I shall try to divide the material as evenly as possible over the next issues of the paper. This first edition will deal with the time spent getting from New York to Berlin, Germany, my summer home for six and one-half weeks. Succeeding articles will be devoted to life in both East and West Berlin. (I lived in the American Sector, West Berlin, but visited the Russian Sector or Communist East Berlin many times during my stay in Berlin). I shall endeavor in future articles to give you a picture of life behind the Iron Curtain first hand. My description will end by telling about my tour of West Germany and Paris at the end of the summer.

First of all, though, before the diary, I would like to give each reader some background as to how I had the opportunity to go to Europe. The organization that made it all possible was the American Field Service, which was started in Paris during World War I as an organization of volunteer ambulance drivers. Although the organization still existed and functioned as an ambulance unit during World War II, its student exchange program was not started until 1946, when a few foreign college students came to America to study.

In 1950, it was realized that juniors in high school (aged 16-17) were the best possible exchange prospects because (1) they tend to be less prejudiced than older students and (2) they have a year in high school after they return in which to tell about their experiences.

Last summer 696 juniors in high school (future seniors) went to Europe to live with foreign families. They sailed on June 25th and returned to New York September 11th, having been abroad for eleven weeks. Last August, a similar number of foreign students from over 25 different countries came to America to live with American families and attend American high schools. Toni Langenveld, our exchange student from Holland, is an American Field Service girl.

The A. F. S. (abbreviation for the Field Service), headed by Mr. Stephan Gallatti, a New York businessman, is dedicated to the furthering of world peace. Its motto comes from the Bible and is "Walk together, talk together, O ye peoples of the earth; then and only then shall ye have peace."

The Diary

7th of July, 1956, on the T. S. S. Arosa Kulm in the North Sea off the coasts of England and France.

The long journey is about to end. We sailed on June 25th from Hoboken, New Jersey on the T. S. S. Arosa Kulm (a Swiss boat with a capacity of 750, sailing under a Panamanian flag). At 5:00 A.M. on the 6th of July, we landed at Le Havre, France, the first land we'd seen for ten days. This was my first sight of Europe. At 3:30 A.M. the harbor at Le Havre was just a row of multi-colored lights in the darkness of this early hour. As we crept into the harbor, the sun showed enough light to enable us to see the outline of the city built on a hillside. The many piers we passed were clean and deserted except for two lone cyclists riding on a road behind the piers. As we came nearer to the pier, a big sign, "The Arosa Line," became visible. Five French A. F. S. representatives were waiting and waving to us on the dock. By the time the longshoremen had us docked (about 5:30 A.M.), about ten more people had assembled on the pier (including two gendarmes). We pulled away again about 8:15 A.M. that morning and began to sail through the English Channel and up the North Sea to Bremerhaven, Germany. Only the students going to France, Austria, Spain, Belgium, or any of the lower European countries, debarked at Le Havre. The rest (going to Germany and Scandinavia) are to debark at Bremerhaven about 7:00 A.M. the morning of the 8th of July. From there we will go to Bremen, Germany, stay for two days, and then proceed to our families.

8th of July, Sunday, at Bremen immigrant camp. Got up at 5:30 A.M. aboard the "Arosa Kulm" and ate breakfast at 6:30. Left ship (my first steps on foreign soil and my first steps on any soil for 13 days) and watched the welcoming ceremony by a U. S. Army Band and an official welcome by the Mayor of Bremerhaven. I then took a thrilling train ride from Bremerhaven to Bremen (about

* With apologies to William L. Shirer, author of the original *Berlin Diary*.

Letters to the Editor

What Do You Think?

A "Letters to the Editor" feature is to be published in each issue of *Smoke Signal* as a service to the students of Conrad, in hopes that they will voice their opinions and ask questions. Space is limited, but the editors will publish as many letters as possible and will answer all the questions they can. All letters submitted for publication must be signed, but names will not appear in print if a request to this effect is made. A notice will appear on the daily bulletin stating the deadline date for contributions of letters.

TO THE EDITOR:

We are Young America. The morals upon which we stand, the problems we solve, and the decisions we now make will determine the America of tomorrow. We as teenagers face many problems, to us both great and small. How we overcome each individual crisis forms character upon which we will later depend.

We offer humble gratitude to the faculty and our new principal for their understanding guidance in our personal problems as well as our studies.

—The Student Body

TO THE EDITOR:

In previous years, Conrad Seniors have had the honor and privilege of marching in and out of the assemblies and pep fests.

This year, we were informed that this privilege is not ours until senior homerooms are finished.

It's bad enough that we have the auditorium as our homerooms while the underclassmen have regular homerooms. But, must we have this honor suspended until possibly the middle of February?

We are sure many of our classmates feel the same as we do. Cannot some compromise be made?

—"Underprivileged Seniors"

Ed. Note: Please see Mr. Long's feelings on this matter, discussed on Page 1.

TO THE EDITOR:

Sometimes I wonder what people think of themselves when they use profane language. They give the appearance that they are really "big wheels," but what do they really think? How can people lower themselves enough to take the Lord's name in vain? It must give them a peculiar kind of satisfaction or they could never do it. Do they themselves really think that they are "big wheels" or are they trying to tell other people that they don't care what is thought of them?

The minute I hear someone use bad language I think, "Why do they do it?" It is a very difficult question to answer and I think the users are the only ones to answer it.

Sometimes it is the fault of their home life; perhaps that's all they hear at home. So you can't expect them to talk any other way. Other times they think that is the only way to get to the top. But their "top" is really as low as they can go. Many times it shows their limited vocabulary. When they can't think of any other word to use they stick one in that they feel describes the situation the best.

Regardless of what view you take of the matter, profanity does nothing but lower you and your school in the sight of others.

—Pam Baughman

TO THE EDITOR:

The Junior class wishes to apologize for the actions of a very few of its members during a recent class election. Because a few considered it "smart" to stuff the ballot box, election proceedings at a scheduled class meeting were disrupted, the subsequent election of officers being delayed a week. Perhaps this incident has taught us the value of the democratic process and its dependency upon the cooperation of the entire group. It is the earnest hope of the Junior class that such is the case.

—Isabel M. Miller
Junior Class Sponsor

an hour and a half). At Bremen we parted from the Scandinavian-bound boys and girls and went to a suburb called Bremen-Lesum.

This afternoon Dick Ullman (a senior this year at Tower Hill and a former Conradian who lives in Hockessin) and I went into the town of Bremen-Lesum. Since it was Sunday, all the shops were closed, but we looked through all the shop windows and saw a surprising variety of goods, ranging from Western novels (one entitled "The Revolver Kid" but printed in German) to television sets. The prices were generally about $\frac{3}{4}$ of our prices (German money is exchanged at a rate of about four German marks to the dollar). The most striking things about the town were all the bicycles, the friendly people, the clean streets, sidewalks, and shops. The most wonderful thing (and something that America needs) was that in every alley, backyard, frontyard, even between stores, were plants, flowers, and gardens. This being Sunday, the town was very peaceful and attractive. While walking, we met a German man who spoke English, and who had been a bootlegger in the United States during the prohibition era and had lived in Long Island, New York. This evening Dick and I went back and walked through the town again, realizing it may be the last time we would see this place that took our fancy so quickly and pleasantly. Tomorrow night at 11:00 P. M. the 23 Berlin kids will take the train from Bremen.

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9th of July at Bremen-Lesum, Germany

Had a long and tiring day. I arose at 7:30 A.M. and had a light (Germans, I've found, don't eat much for breakfast) meal at the immigrant camp. We then went on a guided tour of Bremen. We (about 300 German-bound students) went by buses from Bremen-Lesum to downtown Bremen. We then walked through the old, old section of Bremen. The houses were very small and the streets narrow and spotlessly clean. It was just a short walk from there to the main square of Bremen. In the middle of a big paved area where the market place is found (it was not operating today) is a fifteen-foot-high statue of "Roland," the patron saint and symbol of the free market place. Straight ahead is the huge, historic Bremen Rathaus (city hall) that survived the war without a scratch, and to the right is the beautiful Gothic cathedral that has lasted down through centuries.

This afternoon we went to a reception tendered us by the Bremen Senate in the Rathaus. After dinner in a German youth-hostel, there was a big A.F.S. ball at the "Glocke" with exhibitions of "German Dance Through the Centuries" given by a local troupe. The Berlin group had to leave the dance early to catch the U. S. Military train to Berlin through Communist East Germany. Tonight I go behind the Iron Curtain and will stay on an island in this sea of "Red" for 7 weeks. I nervously await meeting my new family for the first time. What will it be like?

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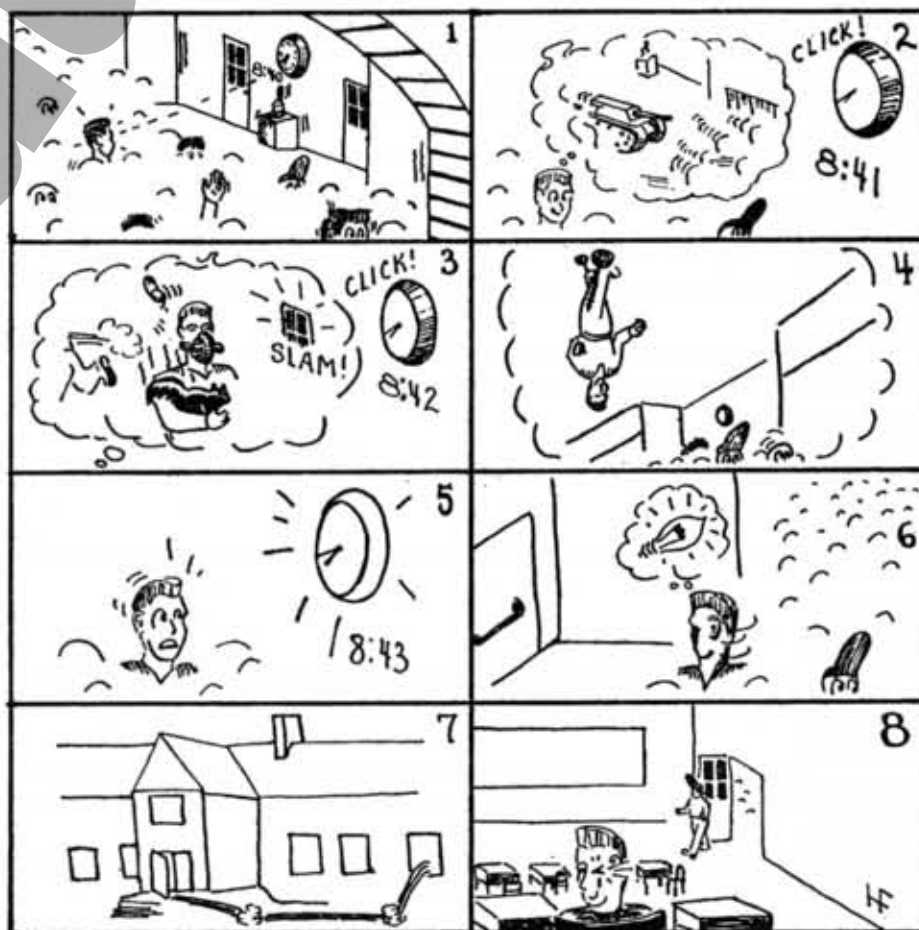
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Editorial

Transitional Blues

While we are waiting to enter the new classrooms and to enjoy full service in our new cafeteria, there are many inconveniences for us, the students, and also for the faculty. This situation periodically develops in all growing schools, and to most it is considered the small price we must pay for these unquestionably necessary improvements.

However, many of us have caught ourselves griping about these little things (mostly about auditorium homerooms and crowded cafeteria conditions). We do this for these three basic reasons: 1) Such griping gives us something to talk about, 2) It gives us a little feeling of superiority when we criticize authority, and 3) It gives us something about which we know everyone will agree.

Actually, starting or spreading a gripe accomplishes nothing, except that the complaint soon spreads all over the school. This attitude can slowly build, and after everyone hears several gripes, tempers begin to flare.

School spirit, too, can be deadened in a similar manner. On the first day of school this year here at Conrad, a sophomore girl, just up from junior high, was standing in the gym with a girl friend. She was obviously excited about her first day in high school and, in fact, she commented about it to her friend. An unthinking upper-classman then turned to her and said: "Well, wait till you've been here a while, you'll see." This one person, by saying this one thing, may well have destroyed this girl's school spirit before it was even started.

This is not saying that there is no room in this school for legitimate griping of the constructive type. On the contrary, that is the reason for "Letters To the Editor" and your Student Council homeroom representatives. So next time you have the urge to gripe, stop, think it over first, and see if it is constructive or destructive criticism. This should pay off big dividends in school spirit, which is the real key to a happy high school life.

—George Kenyon



Edited by Pete Fisher

Now that Charlie Jackson is in Swarthmore College you have a new Roving Redskin. I have the happy task of trying to fill Charlie's shoes. This will not be easy — they were size 12's. Seriously, though, he really did a swell job with this column and I will be hard put to do as well.

The subject of my first try will be what is probably the most controversial national issue of the present time. No, it's nothing as unimportant as the up-coming presidential election or the Thanksgiving Day game. It's ELVIS PRESLEY. I imagine every would-be columnist has taken a shot at him one time or another.

Most people either can't stand listening to him or can't stand not listening to him. But I suppose many of these opinions are put forth merely for the sake of argument and not as honest opinions.

We (I and my crew of blonde assistants — Rollie Boucher and Dean Ballance) took a poll around Conrad to see how people feel about Elvis and came up with these figures: Violently Pro-Elvis—108; Moderately Pro-Elvis—56; Moderately Anti-Elvis—28; Vio-

FALL PLAY

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director. As assistants in the production, the following students have been chosen: Student Director (working under Mr. Morgan), Phyllis Harvey; Stage Manager (assisting Mr. Schulze), Betty Squires; and prompters, Anna Jane Faust and Joan Ferrara.

From all reports this play has been a terrific success in other high schools, and it has kept audiences laughing throughout the evening. So get your tickets early and come prepared to be well entertained!

CAPPA LOCKS HORNS WITH BULL IN MADRID

Every month I wait impatiently for a letter. It isn't just any letter from any place, because it's a friendly letter from a friendly place. You see, I am very fortunate in being able to correspond with Rafael Cappa, last year's American Field Service exchange student whose home is in Spain.

Ray, as most of you know him by, is naturally very happy to be back home with his family, but does miss America very much. The Spanish people seem to think that he is very "Americanized," because he is always talking about his many experiences here. You know, the Spanish people have given us many different types of dances such as the mambo, the cha-cha-cha, the samba, and others. Well, I think some of our Conrad Cool Cats must have impressed Ray, because all the boys and girls in Madrid just "dig" "rock n' roll" and "jitterbugging" the most!

Ray's summer has been filled with many varied experiences.

Preparing to take economics at the University of Madrid for five years has been something to look forward to. Visiting one's school acquaintances and relatives is always the thing to do after a long trip away from home.

A very fortunate, or should I say unfortunate, thing happened to Ray about the last of July. A friend asked if he would like to attend a bullfight, which is to him as football or baseball is to us. Little did Ray know, but he was to participate in helping the matador with the bull! Well, as Ray said, all he wanted to do was to see the bull dead! Finally, after being hit a few times and struggling very hard, the bull was dead.

I'm sure you're all very glad to know that Ray is well and happy, and in his last letter he said to be sure and say "hello" to everyone who knows him. Maybe someday he'll be able to say it in person again; at least that's what many of us hope.

—Jeanne Moore

lently Anti-Elvis—100; Never heard of him—1.

Big Bob Payson said, "Oooh, He ain't nuthin' but a houn' dawg." Big Mr. Kushinka said, "He must be a little loose upstairs."

Personally, I can listen to him without losing my breakfast and I think that people who say they can't are not being reasonable and open-minded. Elvis is a natural outgrowth of the current fad for rock-n-roll, because the people who are really crazy about it need an idol to be a kind of patron saint to them, and the little flare-ups directed against him would be directed at someone else if he were not around.

Oh, well, enough of Elvis. I think I'll go listen to some of the soothing sounds issuing from the mellow lips of Little Richard.

Well, there it is — my first column. I suppose it is not perfect and I would welcome any suggestions as to how it could be written better. If you have any, please write them on the edge of a one dollar bill and give it to me at your earliest possible convenience.

Why Not Smoke?

by Calvin Wood, director of physical education

With an apparently harmless habit such as smoking, it is very difficult for a student to observe health implications. A person usually smokes without any signs of discomfort. It is a difficult task to make a student realize that over a period of years smoking will probably influence his health and well-being.

WHY NOT SMOKE?

Let's look at the facts. The facts presented in this article are tobacco and smoking facts about which there is little or no controversy. Smoking causes certain definite, measurable effects on the circulatory system. The smoking of one cigarette causes distinct changes in an individual's heart rate, blood pressure, temperature of the skin at the extremities, metabolism, chemical changes in the body, and stomach activity. These combined reactions probably affect the athletic performance of an individual. **WHY NOT SMOKE?**

Heart-rate — Let's look at the results of many studies. A record of the pulse at rest as compared with the pulse during smoking and pulse after smoking will clearly indicate the increased heart rate caused by smoking.

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In Holland she lives with her parents, just outside of Heerlen. Her father is an electro-technic engineer working for a state mining project. Her schooling has been something of a feminine paradise. She attended a school, Hoensbroek, that had enrolled only one girl—Toni. So she isn't as naive as you might be led to believe.

A typical date in Holland would be a movie. Once in a while a special date would take her to the opera, or a play, or a concert, but the average run-of-the-mill date would be a movie. When she was asked how she liked Elvis Presley she said, "Don't be cruel!" She does like American jazz though, especially that produced by Louis Armstrong.

In Holland they have very little TV and what they have is state-controlled, taxed heavily, and comes on only from 8:00 to 10:00 in the evening. There is also a heavy tax on the radio.

Conrad's First Dance Of Year Celebrates Football Victory

Conrad's first dance of the year was held Saturday night, September 22, from 8 to 11, sponsored by our baton and flag twirlers. The dance offered fun and enjoyment to approximately 250 Conradians, who were present to help celebrate our victory over A. I. duPont.

Kenny Bass and Angie Poniecki were chosen the best couple in the jitterbug contest, which was judged by the rock'n roll experts, Don Harper and Dick Greenhill. Everyone enjoyed the classical number that was especially requested. It turned out to be "Hound Dog."

Miss Plunkett, Miss Miller, the twirlers, and everyone who helped make the dance a success, should be congratulated. Conradians are looking forward to more dances like this!

WHY NOT SMOKE?

Blood Pressure—Our circulatory system is a pressure system and the higher the pressure the more work the heart must perform. The heart, therefore, must work harder since it has to pump the blood against greater resistance. **WHY NOT SMOKE?**

Circulatory Weakness — When one smokes, the temperature of the skin in the extremities, hands and feet, is decreased from 1 degree to 5 degrees. **WHY NOT SMOKE?**

Metabolism — An increase in metabolism is hardly desirable in a young growing person who needs all the energy he has to perform his daily tasks and to have sufficient reserve for proper growth and development. **WHY NOT SMOKE?**

Stomach Reactions—In a young, growing person, this factor could easily mask the effects of malnutrition which could lead to serious complications. **WHY NOT SMOKE?**

ENOUGH FACTS — Even with the bad example of 50 million or more adult Americans before you, I feel confident that you athletes, particularly, will not be misled when you digest the facts. Knowledge and truth are powerful weapons. **WHY NOT SMOKE?** You know the answer!

This petite little blond from the land of Dutch chocolates and tulips does not have any Conrad teachers she does not like and especially likes that "nice gentleman in Government" (Mr. Sullivan). She thinks the students at Conrad are wonderful and says, "I should like to thank all the many boys and girls who helped me in my first days at Conrad because I was all the time getting lost."

Although she was an honor student in her native land, she thinks herself to be very lazy, and admits that on nights when she had had a heavy load of homework and there was someplace special she wanted to go, she was not above using one of our traditional American solutions — copying homework.

I have no idea what Holland received in trade for her, but I have an idea that we got the better part of the bargain when we got Toni.

—Pete Fisher



Edited by Joanne Boulden

LADY DISCUS THROWER?? No, just Miss Conaway's home ec students disposing of their gum.

IT WAS A MIGHTY CONFUSED BOY who walked into the library one afternoon and tried to give a reluctant Mr. Garfield his library book. Strange what happens in government classes these days!!

MISS ALBERS has decided on the reason why Friday is her easy (?) day. The football players make up three-fourths of the patients, and they just won't come near the infirmary on Friday. Why? Miss Albers just may keep them from playing in the big game. Let's face it boys — you're cowards!!

Speaking of the infirmary, while there, don't think your heart is beating louder than usual. That's just the steady hammering of the construction workers.

TONI, OUR EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM HOLLAND, walked into study hall one day only to find someone in her seat. After asking the boy to remove himself and receiving a not-too-nice reply, she pretended not to understand him. It seems she only understands when she wants to. Nice way to get out of homework, I would say.

MR. HINNERSCHEETZ, after calling on one particular girl in his English class, decided to have her correct a sentence similar to the one she had missed previously. The girl hesitated and Mr. Hinnerscheetz asked her if she knew why she had been called on again. To this she replied, "Yes, because I was jotting something down here!"

MR. BAIRD was telling his third period sociology class that the students' marks, as a whole, had been very good thus far. Tying this in with sociology, he intended to say how the fact that the group is "homogeneous" (similar in intelligence and ability) had helped to make this possible. Instead he blurted out: "homogenized."

What does he think those seniors are? Grade AA Guernsey milk?

ADMINISTRATION

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teaching position at Wilmington High School from 1949 to 1956, except for 3 years and 2 months spent in Korea. He has obtained a Master's Degree from the U. of Delaware and has taken extension courses in school administration. He is now the vice-president of the Delaware State Education Association.

In response to the question of changes at Conrad since 1942, Mr. Buchanan said: "The attitude has improved so greatly that the real Conradian Spirit is easily found today. It's a very wonderful and warm feeling to be back in familiar surroundings. I am extremely well pleased by the manner in which I have been received by the students of Conrad High School. With this kind of cooperation and support we will have one of the best schools in the state."



ELECTION OF F.F.A. OFFICERS

On Thursday, September 13, the Future Farmers of America met in the ag shop to elect officers for the new year. Officers chosen were **Arnold Boyer**, president, a second place winner in the State Future Farmers Public Speaking Contest for the past two years; **Bill Dill**, vice president, first place winner in the State Dairy Judging Contest and the Silver Medal winner in the national contest held in Waterloo, Iowa in 1955, and winner of high honors in milk judging this fall; **Francis Farmer**, treasurer, winner of high honors in the State Soil Judging Contest; **John Michener**, secretary, active member who participated in many state and local contests; **Alex Kearney**, reporter, first place winner in the State Poultry Judging Contest in 1955 and winner of honorable mention in the national contest held in Kansas City, Missouri; **William Naudain**, sentinel, who was a delegate to the National Cattle Congress held in Waterloo, Iowa in 1954. The advisor is **Mr. William Simpson**, a recent graduate of the University of Delaware.

BILL DILL IN MASSACHUSETTS

Last year Bill Dill judged in the State Milk Judging Contest held at the University of Delaware. He won fourth place in the state contest and on September 14, 1954, Bill judged in The Regional Milk Judging Contest held at Springfield, Massachusetts, and won fourth place there. Bill's awards, along with awards won by other boys in the F.F.A., are on display in the ag shop.

RAY WOODWARD GOES TO WATERLOO

Ray Woodward, a 1956 graduate of Conrad and president of the F.F.A. last year, won first place in dairy judging at the University of Delaware last year and this year went to Waterloo, Iowa on October 1, to judge in the National Dairy Cattle Congress for national dairy judging honors. While in Waterloo, Ray was entertained by the Sears Roebuck Co. and the John Deere Farm Machinery Co.

GRANT WEBER, JAMES ASHBY, AND MR. SIMPSON IN KANSAS CITY

Each year the Pfizer Livestock Judging Contest conducts poultry, dairy, and swine judging, and the boy who comes out highest in the State wins an all-expense-paid trip for himself and his ag teacher to the National F.F.A. Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, where he will judge in the organization's National Contest. **Grant Weber** from Conrad won the contest last year. He and Mr. Simpson flew to Kansas City on Monday, October 15, for a week at the National Convention. **James Ashby** won first place in the State Poultry Judging Contest at the University of Delaware last year, so he also went on an all-expense-paid trip to Kansas City, Missouri to judge in

the National Poultry Judging Contest. James left by train with the Delaware delegation on Sunday, October 14.

At the convention Jimmy enjoyed a show put on by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. and a host of other activities planned for the convention.

All-expense trips, such as the one enjoyed by Bill Dill, Ray Woodward, and James Ashby, are made possible by the members of the F.F.A. Donors Foundation which is made up of large companies that are interested in the work of agriculture and F.F.A. work, such as the DuPont Co., Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., and John Deere Company.

F.F.A. MEETINGS AND INITIATION

F.F.A. meetings are held on the second Monday of every month. The first meeting after the election of officers was held mainly for the purpose of initiating new members. The initiation was first informal, then formal. The new members can be proud to be a part of such a great organization. It is not only a nation-wide organization, but a world-wide organization as well.

STUDENT LEADERS CLUB

Sponsor, **Mrs. Marilyn Le Fevre**. The Student Leaders Club will be composed of about thirty girls from grades 10-12. These girls will meet every week after school to receive advanced instruction in physical education procedures. The requirements for this club are skill, good grades, attitude, and general knowledge.

LATIN CLUB

The first meeting will be held after report cards come out. Students must have a "B" average or above in order to belong. At the first meeting, **Miss Swayze** will show slides of her trip to Europe. In December the club will go caroling and have a Christmas party. The club's sponsor is **Mrs. Heffner**.

FUTURE TEACHERS

The F.T.A. held their first meeting on October 2. At that time officers were elected: President: **Susan White**; Vice President: **Janice Hurlock**; Secretary: **Uhla Lautenklos**; Treasurer: **Becky Hall**; Historian: **Jane Deakyne**; Librarian: **Nellie Watts**. Club sponsor is **Miss Jean Burns**.

During the year the F.T.A. will tour a school or college and have a dinner party.

MR. ROBERT BASHAM

Mr. Robert L. Basham, the new shop teacher who is revolutionizing the Industrial Arts offerings for the 10th, 11th, and 12th grade boys, hails from Charleston, West Virginia. He graduated from Stonewall Jackson High School and from West Virginia University.

His interests are spread from aviation to entertaining. Guess what! He is a ventriloquist!

U. of D. Student Teaching Program

Were they students or teachers? That was the question prevalent in our minds when we walked down the hall and saw either more sedate pupils or younger instructors coming toward us.

Well, we'll let you in on the secret, if you don't already know. They were both — students from the University of Delaware and teachers at Conrad. There were three of them, **Miss Wilgus**, who assisted **Mr. Garfield**; **Mr. Hicks**, who assisted **Miss Plunkett**; and **Mr. Dalton**, who assisted **Mr. Wood**.

In order to student teach, according to **Miss Wilgus**, you must be a senior in either the School of Arts and Sciences or the School of Education at Delaware. You work for approximately eight weeks, observing half of the time and teaching the other half. One of the purposes of this training is to give the prospective teacher the advantage of acquiring the finer points of teaching which one otherwise would have to obtain through experience.

When you are assigned to a school you are considered a member of the faculty. Your regulations are the same as those of any employed teacher. Each year you teach your salary is increased and student teaching is considered as experience. Thus if you student teach it is easier for you to get a job because you have had experience, you get paid more, and you have a vague idea of what the future holds.

Conradians who worked with these student teachers have been doing these university students, themselves, and their future children a real service this year.

T.N.T.

Sponsor, **Miss Dorothea Rothwell**. At the first meeting of the T.N.T. club, members elected chairmen for the initiation. The chairmen are:

- Rosemarie McCarns**—entertainment and initiating.
- Jackie Ratcliff**—refreshments.
- Carol Gold**—clean-up.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club is open only to second year students. The officers were elected after school on October 3, 1956. They are: President: **Robert Masters**; Vice President: **Judy Gooden**; Secretary-Treasurer: **Dave Stevens**. **Miss Mildred Morrison** is club sponsor.

If activity periods are begun, it will be open to first year students with a "B" average or above.

CLASS OFFICERS

Joseph Abrams was recently elected president of the Senior Class. The other officers selected were: **Jay Kelso**, vice president; **Lynda Maddox**, secretary; and **Judy Wivel**, treasurer.

Officers elected by this year's Junior Class are **John Piccolo**, president; **Peggy Collingwood**, vice president; **Patricia Drake**, secretary; and **Delores Sullivan**, treasurer.



EIPPER, RICHARDSON, SCHULZE, BUCHANAN, CUSTIS

Faculty Grows

MISS MARGARET CUSTIS

Miss Margaret Custis is the new Spanish teacher who has come to Conrad to help reduce the population in some of Miss Morrison's popular classes. She was graduated from the U. of Delaware and was a student teacher last year at er. This is her first year of teaching at Conrad, her alma mater. She likes Conrad very much and thinks the students are friendly and "down to earth kids." She enjoys dancing and sports and was glad to see so many at our first football game.

MRS. SARA RICHARDSON

Mrs. Sara Richardson was born in Chestertown, Maryland, and went to Newark High School, having been graduated from the University of Delaware. Before coming to Conrad as our new English teacher, she taught Latin and English at A. I. duPont and was also a librarian there.

Raising African violets and roses and arranging flowers are her favorite pastimes. **Mrs. Richardson** is now taking dressmaking lessons at the Y. W. C. A. and makes most of her clothes. For a few years she taught Sunday School for teen-age boys at Red Clay Creek Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Richardson thinks that Conrad is very friendly and she likes the attitude of the boys and girls toward each other and toward the faculty.

MR. CECIL SCHULZE

Who's the doll of a speech teacher in Room 215 this year? Well, he's **Mr. Cecil Schulze** from Huntington, West Virginia. He attended Barberville High which is just outside Huntington. In high school he was active in all sports, president of his senior class, and was graduated from Marshall College, which is also in West Virginia.

This is **Mr. Schulze's** first year of teaching and he says he likes it very much. He also said that he thinks Conrad is a fine school in many ways.

Mr. Schulze is married, and he and his wife are expecting their first child in December. He likes all sports, especially swimming, and he played football in the Navy. The theater and music from rock 'n roll to classical are two of his favorite pastimes.

MR. GEORGE BROWN

Mr. George Brown is a native of Delaware and a former Conradian. He graduated from the University of Delaware and, before joining Conrad's mathematics staff, he taught at Wilmington High School.

He is married and has four children, Beverly, Cindy, Larry, and Debbie.

His interests are school teaching and in his spare time surveying and gardening.

MR. ALVIN C. LEWIS

Mr. Alvin C. Lewis, another new math teacher at Conrad, hails originally from Fair Chance, a suburb of Uniontown, Pennsylvania. He attended Fair Chance High School and played on their football and baseball teams. Football is **Mr. Lewis's** favorite sport.

He graduated from California State Teachers College and West Virginia University. Quite a back-



ALLEN, SIMPSON, BROWN, REIST, BASHAM

ground! He has taught at Fair Chance High and was a principal at Turkeyfoot Valley Joint High School.

Mr. Lewis is married and has a little boy, Alan, who is three years old.

His main interests are sports. He also likes all types of music and is fond of dancing.

He thinks Conrad is fine, but he hasn't seen too much of it, since he just arrived here October 1. He does, however, think the conditions are somewhat crowded but will be much better after the addition is finished.

MISS DORIS EIPPER

Conrad not only has a male trap-shooting champion, **Jon Cottrell**, but also a female one. She is our new physical education teacher, **Miss Doris Eipper**, who is a graduate of A. I. duPont High School and attended Goldey Beacom School of Business. She graduated from the University of Delaware in 1956 after majoring in Physical Education for 4 years.

Many of her varied experiences over the years have been camp counseling, supervising both water front and land sports and playing all varsity sports in high school.

MR. WILLIAM SIMPSON

Have you seen a familiar face in the ag shop this year? Well, it's **Mr. William Simpson**, who is now an official agriculture teacher here, instead of the student teacher he was last year. He was born in Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, went to the Woodston, New Jersey High School, and graduated from the University of Delaware.

Some of his many interests are auto mechanics, hunting, and swimming. It is also very interesting to note that he has just recently taken the most drastic of all steps—marriage!

MR. EARL K. REIST

Mr. Earl K. Heist is a native of Lititz, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

He graduated from the State Teachers College in Millersville, Pennsylvania, and attended Rutgers University.

His teaching career has included junior high and senior high schools in Morrisville, Pennsylvania, Hamilton High School in Trenton, New Jersey, and Lititz, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Reist is married and has two girls.

He is interested in all sports, and teaches Industrial Arts, grades ten to twelve, here at Conrad.

MISS NANCY L. ALLEN

Miss Nancy L. Allen was born in Virginia, but has lived in Wilmington for about fourteen years.

She graduated from the University of Delaware and came to Conrad as an English teacher. She teaches grades ten and eleven.

Miss Allen is interested in reading, dramatics, sports, and traveling.

Jernigan First Twirling Corps Captain

Our twirling corps is putting its best foot forward again this year. The corps is headed by Sylvia Taylor, who is the drum major-ette (see picture), and Donna Jernigan, who is the captain. Other members are Phyllis Morris, Elizabeth Huber, Beverly Owen, Phyllis Harvey, Jeanne Moore, Jeanne Armstrong, Rosalie Callahan, Peggy Collingwood, and Carol Peterson.

This is the first time in the history of the corps that it has had a captain. Another first for the twirling corps is twirling two batons in all pre-game exhibitions. The corps will be twirling fire again this year, according to Miss Eleanor Plunkett, sponsor.



—Ashley
DRUM MAJORETTE SYLVIA TAYLOR POSES AT SALLIES GAME

Junior High Leaders — Know Them?

Every year the junior high schools in the Conrad district choose their leaders in the form of class officers. But when the graduates are all mixed up at Conrad, they are placed in such a position that they often do not get to know many of their leaders until late in the year. So here is a list of the 1956 graduating class officers at the five Junior High Schools in the district. Sophomores take note.

Richardson Park

- President—Joan Owens
- Vice President—Wayne Hager
- Secretary—Janet Romaniak
- Treasurer—James Hughes

Go, Go — Fight, Fight — Win, Win

This is what we've heard coming from the gym for the last two weeks. The J.V. cheerleaders are in the expert hands of our varsity squad, who include **Marlene Ford**, captain; **Gerrie Cole**, vice president; **Joyce Brainard**, **Jeanne Ann Rowe**, **Claire Mathews**, **Barbara Schulz**, **Patty Drake**, and **Lynda Maddox**.

Girls out for the J.V. squad are **Ruth King**, **Patty Bussard**, **Jeanne Brooks**, **Faye Coverdale**, **Golda Gebhart**, **Dotty Phillips**, **Susan Gebhart**, **Dotty Phillips**, **Susan Skinner**, **Barbara De Marco**, **Margaret Di Maio**, **Linda Boyer**, **Claire Mooney**, **Lida Dempsey**, **Nancy Fletcher**, **Beverly Bicknell**, **Barbar Nasler**, **Mary Ann Szymanski**, and **Lucy Burnside**.

No date has been set for try-outs, but within two weeks we should have seven peppy J.V. cheerleaders out cheering the J.V. football team on to victory.

Under the able sponsorship of Miss Eipper, the cheerleaders are planning to have bigger and better pep rallies, along with some new cheers and songs.

So let's go gang! Get out and support our cheerleaders and cheer our team on to a successful season!

WOLF CAPTAINS FIRE SQUAD

According to State Law, every school is required to have a fire drill at least once a month. Until the new building is finished, the school is handicapped by not having enough exits to enable the drills to be executed within the State's recommended three-minutes.

Mr. Jay Hinnerscheetz, Fire Marshal, is being assisted this year by a squad of boys captained by **Robert Wolf**.

Krebs

- President—Harry Bratton
- Vice President—Harold Hanna
- Secretary—Elizabeth Mitchell
- Treasurer—Lois Ann Smith

Marshallton

- President—George Parris
- Vice President—Ronald Gregg
- Secretary—Sandra Starrick
- Treasurer—Cary Kerrigan

Oak Grove

- President—Tom Kalisanski
- Vice President—Larry Coe
- Secretary—Nancy Fletcher
- Treasurer—Joyce Nash

Absalom Jones

- President—Phyllis Jackson
- Vice President—Oliver Edwards
- Secretary—Delores Masoddo
- Treasurer—Irma Crawford

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responsible for everything accomplished.

WHAT DOES IT DO FOR ME?

For the average boy or girl, the business training obtained during this year is equivalent to a seventy-five dollar scholarship in a business school.

WHEN CAN I JOIN JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT?

Early next school year there will be another Junior Achievement assembly, such as the one held here last month, where any junior or senior may sign up. This year's quota from Conrad has already been filled.

HOW DID JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT START?

In 1919, a man named Horace A. Moses organized the first Junior Achievement Company in Springfield, Massachusetts. Today there are over 40,000 members in Junior Achievement. Our local branch, Junior Achievement of Northern Delaware Incorporated, now in its first year of operation, is headed by Mr. Thomas S. English. His headquarters are in the Wilmington Savings Fund Building at the corner of 9th and Market Streets. Further inquiries relative to Junior Achievement should be addressed to him.

CONRAD TO GET SECOND POLIO SHOT OCTOBER 31

The Health and Safety Committee of which Miss Albers is chairman is considering the possibility of health classes for the school.

Free inoculation of the Salk polio vaccine was started by the State Board of Health on October 10. The second shot will be given on October 31 and a booster shot in the spring, to the 600 students participating in this program.

Baton, Flag Twirlers To Initiate Drill Team

This year the flag twirlers are captained by **Angie Poniecki**. They include **Barbara Jorison**, **Marie Ferguson**, **Mavis Roberts**, **Dee Dee Benoit**, **Nancy Stryholuk**, **Nancy Bretz**, **Uhla Lautenklos**, **Louise Atkinson**, **Dottie Knotts**, **Betty Lou Klair**, **Betty Squires**, **Joan Leonard**, **Joyce Lafferty**, **Rolly Boucher**, and **Ginger Naudain**.

Along with the baton twirlers, the flag twirlers sponsored the first dance of the season and hope to have another one soon. (See story on Page 3.)

The regulars were picked at this year's Band Camp where they worked continually, since there were only seven old members present.

The flag twirlers have twirled at all the football games and will continue to do so the rest of the season. They also twirled October 6 at the University of Delaware game.

Along with the baton twirlers, the flag twirlers plan to initiate a precision drill team. They hope to have this team ready by November 1, according to Miss Plunkett, sponsor of the activity.

FUTURE ASSEMBLIES ANNOUNCED BY NEW ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

The new faculty-student assembly committee, appointed by Mr. Long, held a meeting this month to plan for some future Conrad programs.

Under the overall direction of Mr. Donald Morgan, the student representatives — **Jay Kelso**, Senior Class; **Alan Start**, Music Department; **Judy Gooden**, Junior Class; **Bill Chernish**, Sophomore Class; and their class sponsors, **Miss Isabel Miller**; **Mr. Frank Loucks**; and **Mr. Anthony Carbone** have scheduled the following dates for assemblies:

- October 19—Sophomore Talent Assembly
- October 30—Debate of Election Issues—Student Council
- November 13—Education Week Assembly—Future Teachers Club
- November 30—Music Department Concert
- December 7—Delaware Day assembly, or Athletic Award assembly
- December 21—Christmas Assembly—Music and Speech Department (No date scheduled)—Program on Conservation—Brandywine Valley Association

THINCLADS DEFEND STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Starting the season off on the right foot, our cross-country team whipped Claymont's Indians, 19-41. (low score wins.) In breaking the tape, **Bob Wolf**, a senior, set a new school record completing the 2.3 mile Rockford course in 11:47, thus breaking the old one set by **Jerry Quigg**, class of 1955. To add to it, the course was wet and muddy in spots as it had been raining almost all day, although it did stop around two o'clock.

Close behind Bob came teammates **Don Harper** and **Irvin Hirshfield** who both set new personal records. Behind this trio to complete the top seven were **Mark King** and **Frank Cook** of Claymont and our own **Con Evans** and **Carl Harmon**.

Fourteen Hockey Vets Return — "Need More Recognition", Says Squad

There are forty-two girls out for hockey this year and Mrs. Le Fevre, the girls' coach, is conducting an all-varsity squad. The best qualified for a hockey game will play, regardless of age. They are expecting a very good season, and to add to their spirit they were issued new uniforms. The uniforms are dark grey tunics with long-sleeved white blouses and red argyles.

There are fourteen veteran players, and here are some of their viewpoints on sports.

MYRNA HOROWITZ, hockey veteran, golf, and bowling enthusiast, thinks sports are great for losing weight. She plans to be a physical education teacher. "Girls get no recognition," complains Myrna.

JANICE HURLOCK, enthusiastic hockey hero, said this when asked why she played hockey: "Because **Dick Broadbent** likes it." She also swims and plays badminton and would like to play hockey in college. None of us will forget the time Janice went swimming in one of our many mud puddles one day after a heavy rain.

LORRAINE MILLELOT, hockey and basketball veteran, says she plays because she enjoys being with the kids and the team. She says it's also a chance to show school spirit. She would like to be a physical education teacher. "Sue and I are always getting in each other's way," she says. Lorraine thinks girls should have separate uniforms for each sport.

LIZ HUBER, active in hockey, basketball, and softball, said this when asked why she played in sports: "Because I believe that every girl should broaden her background not only in studies but also in sports and other extracurricular activities." Liz thinks we need better equipment.

HELEN KYRITSIS plays hockey, basketball, and bowls because sports are her favorite pastime. She plans to play in the Industrial League. "I wish more games were scheduled," says Helen. "And you know what else, girls don't get half the recognition boys do."

DONNA JERNIGAN, veteran baseball and basketball player, who formerly played on her church team, is out for hockey for the first time this year. Donna states, "I play sports because I love them." She also adds, "I don't think there was one basketball game last year in which I didn't dust-up the floor." Donna is glad the girls are getting new uniforms this year.

MARTY TWEDDLE has been playing hockey and basketball for three years. She loves sports. Marty usually hits the ball, but she didn't the time she hit a Newark "inner" on the nose.

SUSAN WHITE has been playing hockey for three years, basketball one year, and softball three years. Susan picks up a little tennis and swimming here and there in the summer. As a catcher, she remembers the many times she was knocked over at home plate. She doesn't think girls' sports receive enough recognition from the student body.

DEE-DEE BENOIT has two years of hockey under her belt. Dee-Dee told us she plays because it keeps her trim. She has suffered injuries—broken thumb and knuckles. She says she is always getting hit on the head. Dee-Dee really digs those red argyles with the new uniforms.

SYLVIA TAYLOR, who excels in hockey, basketball, and softball, also played for her church softball team and thrilled us one day by hitting a home run with the bases loaded. Sylvia dives and plays tennis on the side.

JOYCE FENIMORE is another senior who has played three years in three sports. Joyce loves sports more than anything else she does and can you blame her? She plays for the church softball team and hopes to coach someday. Joyce scored the winning point last year in hockey when the score was tied. She duplicated the feat in basketball with two seconds left to play in the game. Quite a gal, huh?

MICKEY FINN, hockey and basketball player, participates mainly because she likes sports. Mickey doesn't engage in sports outside of school, but she told us if she ever works for DuPont, she would like to play on its basketball team. She would also enjoy playing with the Delaware Field Hockey Association. Mickey loves riding on the bus to games. She would like to see more students and teachers support and back up girls' sports.

CAROL TURNER played sports in Jr. High and plays hockey here at Conrad this year. Carol plans to go to the University of Delaware to major in physical education. Her favorite pastime is water-skiing at her summer home in Dewey Beach.

BARBARA JORISON water skis and plays hockey, plus a little basketball and softball here and there. "Babo" plays for enjoyment and remembers the time at an A. I. duPont game when one of our team enthusiasts grabbed her by the neck with her hockey stick and dragged her up the field.

These fourteen veteran players have certainly revealed, very frankly, some of the reasons why girls play sports and what is lacking in the girls' sports program. Recognition is the biggest lack. Whose fault is this?

—Nancy Martin

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SPORTS



Familiar to anyone who lingers around the school after 3:20 for various reasons are the football players, all decked out in their classy red and white uniforms, listening to Coach Malin's advice outside the boys' locker room. While this is going on, the cross-country team is exercising and loosening up on the lawn or parking lot. All this comes about before the boys swing into full practice and hard, tiring work.

Now just what is this leading up to? Well, for the sophomores and any other new human additions to Conrad, this column is designed to familiarize you with last year's sports results as well as (and this is for everybody) the outlook for this fall's boys' teams.

Last year our cross-country thinclads finished on top. That's right—state champs. In football, however, we weren't quite so lucky, as a good many of you may know, winning three while losing six. 1955 scores:

Conrad 0, Millville 45
Conrad 12, Salesianum 13
Conrad 21, A. I. duPont 7
Conrad 27, Claymont 12
Conrad 13, P. S. duPont 14
Conrad 0, Wilmington 26
Conrad 6, Howard 0
Conrad 6, Mt. Pleasant 13
Conrad 0, Newark 30

Football

Now before I make any predictions, I would like to have it understood that I am certainly not a pro. I do not really sincerely follow other teams as I do ours. I can only judge by last year's results, including several very tight contests and the fact that we have been tabbed as a "sleeper" by the *Journal-Every Evening*. I also have two showings from this year to work on.

PREDICTIONS

That's not too much, but here goes. Beginning with football, I start by saying that this year figures to be rather interesting because of very keen competition. The kickoff:

Millville was dropped from our schedule. Then we dumped A. I. duPont, 18-6, while the next week Sallies sparked us, 18-0 (shudder). So we're sure of at least one win. Seriously though, Claymont is gaining in power and must be respected, but I think we'll take 'em by two TD's. (Ed. Note: This column was written before the Claymont game). The remainder of four games could go either way, but we can take them if we put a little "umph" into our showings. The P. S. game tomorrow should be a corker. They've lost some fine players, but there are others to take their places. Still, I'll give the nod to us by six points. As for Wilmington High, they'll take us by two TD's. Howard promises to give us another good match as they are still smarting from last

year's upset, but once again we should win, this time by one TD. Next on the agenda — Mt. Pleasant. Now this is a fine, balanced team. It began to show power last year and should continue. This eleven must be respected. I believe this will be our toughest opponent, so I'll give it to the Green Knights by three TD's. The Thanksgiving Day classic also promises to be a tough match. But they've lost too many fine players that can't be replaced, so I take Conrad by one, possibly two touchdowns.

Remember, starting with P. S. it's going to be tough. It could go either way. We might end up with a 5-3 record or 2-6.

Cross-Country

As for cross-country, last year's state champs figure to remain on the throne if they can get by Howard and also Kennett Square. The Redskin squad has much depth in vets **Don Harper**, **Irvin Hirshfield**, and **Bob Wolf**, all seniors; and **Neil Evans** and **Carl Harmon**, juniors. A pleasant surprise has been a junior, **Bill Kesmodel**, who has shown he has what it takes by sticking "right with them." ("them" being the afore-mentioned stars).

PREDICTIONS

Now on to my predictions. Claymont has already fallen to us, Conrad 19, Claymont 41. (Note: low score wins.) The dual meet against Howard and Mt. Pleasant figures to be "the" contest. However, considering the fact that the main push behind last year's powerful track team has graduated, I think we have the edge over the Wildcats, as well as Mt. Pleasant, although they too promise to be no pushover. Another big one is the Kennett meet. This could go either way although it has no effect on the chances of being Delaware champs. The other four should be taken care of pending the outcome of the Howard-Mt. Pleasant meet with us.

Well, do you agree with me? These could be very wrong, but I'll stick with them. Once again: football: 5 wins, 3 losses; cross-country: undefeated state champs (again).

—Bob Masters

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Conrad's Football Record Stands at 2 Wins, 1 Loss

Playing their first game under Conrad's new coach, **Jesse Malin**, our Redskins successfully opened the new football season, winning 18 to 6. In spoiling A. I. duPont's opener, Conrad crashed into the scoring column in each of the first three periods.

After an exchange of punts, **Elwood Scales** and **Grafton Brittingham** drove down to the one-yard line where Grafton plunged over. **Joe Abrams** then missed the extra point. The quarter ended with Conrad leading, 6-0.

In the second quarter the opposing Tigers were not to be denied. They drove down to the 26 where halfback **Jack Carmean** eluded all tacklers to go all the way. A. I. then got off a beautiful kick-off down to about the five-yard stripe where Brittingham returned it twenty yards to the twenty-five. This set the stage for Scales and the longest run of the game, a sixty-five yard off-tackle play. The extra point attempt was blocked. Just before the half-time ended, **Dick Broadbent** made a nice grab on a Tiger pitch. Nothing resulted, however, as time ran out.

Half-time found a quiet tribe of Redskins in the locker room munching on oranges. As they sat around recuperating, Coach Malin went to his boys, giving them advice and correcting their mistakes.

He then poured it on. "Just too many mistakes out there. They want to beat us. They're pushing you around out there. Dig in. Remember, you're expected to win this game. It's a feather in their hat if they can beat us."

Seemingly inspired by this, the Redskin eleven went out and held the Tiger offense in check for the remainder of the game. In the meantime, junior quarterback **Toby Craig** boosted our score another six notches in the third period when he scampered forty yards to a TD. The pass attempt for the extra point was missed.

Nothing further developed, although late in the fourth period, **Kenny Bass** broke away, but was brought down on the one-yard stripe. However, the game ended before the pigskin could be pushed across the goal line.

In the locker room the boys peeled off their dirty jerseys, shouting above the jubilant noise, "Bring on the Sallies!" Thus Conrad successfully opened their new schoolboy season. The final score: Conrad 18, A. I. duPont 6.

Sallies Swamp Conrad

In a bid to give Salesianum a bitter surprise, Conrad had 11 spirited, and well-conditioned boys ready to do battle with a very capable opponent.

Elwood Scales galloped to the longest gain on the ground in the second period on a 42-yard run, after an uneventful first period. Also in the second quarter, Sallies started a drive deep into their own territory, breaking out on a

58-yard completed pass from **Harry Manelski** to **Joe Clark** to just within the Conrad 5-yard line. Sallies were pushed back to Conrad's 15, and appeared stopped, until Manelski lofted a pass to all-stater, **Vince Scott**, for a touchdown. The extra point was missed, and the half ended. Sallies — 6, Conrad — 0.

Late in the 3rd quarter, **Joe Clark** caught a beautiful pass that netted Sallies 70 yards, also from Manelski, who had just returned from the bench after being hurt on intercepting a pass at the goal line and stopping Conrad from a touchdown.

The start of the 4th period saw Manelski score Sallies' 12th point on a 2-yard plunge. The extra point was blocked. In the final minutes of the game, **Joe Clark** was spotted again, this time all alone in the end zone, and Sallies scored their final touchdown on a 30-yard pass play. The extra point was missed, but Sallies had won 18 to 0, their second shutout victory of the new season in as many starts.

Malin Brothers Clash— Jesse's Team Wins

CLAYMONT, OCT. 13 — Our Redskins refused to say "die" as they overcame a thirteen point deficit in the last quarter.

Claymont was the first to draw blood, wasting little time after the opening kick-off. Their stout defense held the Redskins in check, forcing them to punt. On the balance of **Jack Matlack's** running, the Indians drove sixty-five yards to a TD, climaxed by his 33 yard jaunt across the final chalk line. He also kicked the extra point and Claymont was off and running.

Conrad then took possession of the ball on its 20. However, the first play from scrimmage produced a fumble which Claymont recovered. Once again it was Mr. Matlack—this time 23 yards for another six-pointer. The extra point attempt was missed. Claymont kicked off a third time. Again Conrad could do nothing and was forced to punt as the quarter ended.

Conrad kicked off and the two teams exchanged punts. With Claymont in possession and the third quarter nearing an end, **Jack McAllister** recovered an important fumble in Conrad territory. With **Sheldon Shultz** and **Elwood Scales** eating up valuable yardage, the Redskins drove to the Claymont 36 where they were awarded an additional fifteen yards through a roughing penalty. With the final period now in progress, the anxious Redskin eleven drove down to the five. At this point, with their backs to the wall, the stubborn Indian defense dug in and held. Claymont rooters were able to breathe again, but not for long. The Redskins, angry at themselves, poured through the line on the first play

and dumped quarterback **Bucci**, jarring the ball loose. Seeing pay-dirt, a red uniform closed over the pigskin, now in the end zone. The Conrad cheering section was frantic as number 4, **Don Cazier**, got up. The frenzy continued as **Elwood Scales** rambled across the goal line for the extra point.

Conrad kicked off and Claymont had possession on their own 21. Three downs took them to the thirty. That made it fourth and one. The next play was the key play of the game. Claymont gambled and lost. **Wayne Holmquist** and **Scales** made the all-important tackle on **Jack Matlack**. Conrad had the ball thirty yards away from the goal. There the inspired Redskins put together a twenty-four yard pass from **Toby Craig** to **Holmquist** and a six yard run into the end zone by **Scales**. Again the ball was given to **Elwood** in the try for the all-important extra point. He made it. Conrad 14, Claymont 13. But the Indians were not dead yet. A completed pass, an eight yard run by **Tony Bucci**, a brilliantly executed Statue of Liberty, and Claymont was marching. But it was too late. The game ended.

For the Redskins, it was their fourth straight victory and thirteenth win in the eighteen-game meetings between the two. In boosting our record to two wins and one loss for the season, Coach **Jesse Malin** had the satisfaction of beating his brother, **Ed**, who is the head coach at Claymont.

M. V. P. Award Started by Smoke Signal

This year an idea has been conceived concerning the sporting year — for both boys and girls. This is a "Most Valuable Player" (MVP) Award for each of the eight major sports here at Conrad. It includes football, hockey, and cross-country in the fall; boys' and girls' basketball in the winter; and baseball, track, and softball in the spring.

The award, which is to be made by **Smoke Signal**, will be a certificate of meritorious achievement which will be presented during an assembly program, in a fashion similar to the awarding of sports Leadership quality.

The basis for this award is to be threefold: 1) Performance and skill, 2) Scholastic standing, 3) letters to participants in athletics.

Each team will nominate three candidates who will be voted upon by the faculty athletic committee. This committee is comprised of our principal, **Mr. Long**; the head of the Physical Education Department, **Mr. Wood**; and the head coaches of the various teams.

The purpose of this award will be to stimulate more team morale and also to give the players a little something more to play for.

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