



Governor Administers Oath To Safe Drivers

The year the Safe Drivers League has enjoyed an overwhelming turnout of new members. The first public activity was the assembly on January 29. Governor J. Caleb Boggs and other guests representing Delaware's Safety Committee were present. The Governor congratulated the League for a fine job on its safety campaign and called teenagers an asset to our driving community. He also administered the Pledge to the new members who promised to uphold all safety rules and regulations. Then a report on the Annual Youth Conference on Traffic Safety, which was held in Dover on December 7, was given by Breech Kaufman. Some of the points brought out in the conference concerned hot rod clubs, pedestrian safety, and compulsory driver education courses.

Next month the League is sponsoring a teenage rodeo and some members of the League are forming a traffic squad to help out in the parking lot before school.



Governor Boggs speaks before leading Safe Drivers in their pledge.

CHESS TEAM TRIUMPHS

Conrad's fledgling chess team, playing its first tournament against Wilmington High, scored a smashing victory as it took 4 out of 5 games, tying the fifth as lack of time cut off another Conrad win. The February 14 tournament was also Wilmington's first contest.

The five woodpeckers, expecting a hard-fought battle, got their first pleasant surprise as Dick Toland, playing white against High School's Michael, checkmated in twelve moves for the team's first victory. Steve Spangler, losing his queen early in the opening, fought doggedly to a win over Fallers, playing the black pieces

for Wilmington on board 5. Jim Davis, playing white on board 3, and Dave Hamilton, defending on board 2, triumphed easily over Spicer and Mavek respectively. Harris Fischer, playing the black pieces on board one, and Zsotnik were still playing as time ran out, leaving Fischer with an advantage as the game was drawn. Will Miner, an alternate, kept Conrad's spirits up by defeating several Wilmington players in unofficial matches. The team hopes to take on F.S. McPheasant, and Friends in the near future, says Mr. George Brown, the chess team's sponsor, who arranges the tournaments.

Different . . .

Everybody knows how inflation has boosted the price of everything. It used to be that you could go to a good dance for a quarter. But now—a dance admission is 60¢ stag and, even then, it's a rare dance that gives you the most fun possible. The problem is to find a good time on a Saturday night for a reasonable price. Any suggestions?

How about a dance that's different? Make it different dress, with a different DJ—some different entertainment—call it the Ivy League Hop and hold it tomorrow night, March 1st. For comfort and a casual atmosphere, limit the dress requirements to Ivy League styles; select a popular fellow from the student body as a mystery DJ; liven things with all types of dancing contests and special dances; and when free refreshment time comes around, keep things moving with the singing and strumming sounds of Carol McDonald. Then, when things close up at 11 o'clock, you'll be able to say that, for once, you got the most for your hard-earned money.

Speaking of money—tickets are still on sale today in Room 205 and will be at the door tomorrow night at the usual price, 60¢ stag, 51 per couple. See Jack, Credling, Bill Campbell, or Maurice Miller for more details as they are co-chairmen of tomorrow night's SMOKE SIGNAL Ivy League Hop.



Mr. John G. Leach informs Conradians of the great importance of spelling.

David Jones Awarded D.Y.F.A. Citizenship Honors

Mr. Long to Present Savings Bond at Assembly

At the beginning of today's assembly program, David Jones will be presented the first Delaware Youth of America award for personal accomplishment. The presentation will be made by Mr. Darrell Long, principal, on behalf of the D.Y.F.A. organization.

For a long time the D.Y.F.A. has felt the need to give special recognition to the students who make significant strides in the line of personal character development. It was realized that never before had the students of our school honored one of their number in just such a fashion as this.

Realizing that our society depends upon a steady influx of young people for survival, we, as young people, should encourage the development of character among ourselves. The Executive Board, acting upon this premise, set standards for an award which would be presented to a student who had made a worthy accomplishment in the line of personal character development and contribution to the D.Y.F.A. program. The award is designed for two purposes: (1) to recognize the individual on behalf of fellow students, and (2) to encourage the development of outstanding personality and participation in the D.Y.F.A. program.

How the individual is chosen:

A list of candidates is thoroughly discussed by the Executive Committee. If the general qualifications are met (ie (1) a sophomore, junior, or senior in good academic standing (75% average or above) of H. C. Conrad High School, (2) an active D.Y.F.A. member having been approved by the Executive Committee—a brief paragraph concerning the personal accomplishment of the applicant is sent to Mr. Long for approval. After his approval is received, Miss Miller and the Executive Board begin the tedious job of a final selection. Suggestions for candidates are received in written form stating reasons, from any student or faculty member on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. The names are added to the list of candidates, pending approval, and the process is begun. Before the final decision

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David Jones is D.Y.F.A. Award Winner.

Spelling Bug Bites

Spelling improvement was the theme of the English Department assembly on February 7, at which Mr. John G. Leach, Director of Education and Vice President of Golbey Beacom School of Business, was the distinguished guest speaker.

Mr. Malcolm Baird, head of the English department, told Conradians about this month's public spelling contests, one of which will be held in the auditorium this afternoon with Dick Adyellotte of WDEL as M. C., to stir interest in this important part of education, and about the elimination procedures within the English classes conducted all this month.

Contestants Battle Today

Those thirteen boys and girls—six from each grade level—who will be competing for the gold and masonry championship plaque offered by the English Department earned this honor in the intramural competitions held last Wednesday. They are:

1957—Gordon Truitt, Carolyn Schlotter, Catherine Perry, Jack Palmer, Karen Ellis, Judy Vorely, 11th—Joseph Gregg, Barbara Urvich, Nicholas Drummond, Elizabeth Voren, Yvonne, and Wilson 11th—Rene, Victoria, Barbara, and Barbara Kups, 10th—William Hoarline, Jerry Watkins, and Diana Duncan.

The first student mentioned in each group is the top speller at his respective grade level and has already received a gold medalion for his students.

The top student and the two See SPELLING; p. 7, col. 1

Calendar of Events

- February
- 28—All-school spelling bee 2:20 to 3:20 P.M.
- Boys Basketball, away
- 7:00 P.M. Claymont
- March
- 1—Smoke Signal Ivy League Hop 8:00 to 11:00 P.M.
- H.Y. Splash Party—YMCA 7:30-11:30 P.M.
- 3—Hi-Y Basketball 8:30-9:00, Conrad gym
- 4—Boys' Basketball, away—William Penn
- 7—Band Concert
- 10—P.T.A. Spelling Bee with Mr. John Leach as Master of Ceremonies (Students Invited)
- 12—New Castle County Education Convention at New Castle (No school)
- 13 & 14—State Band Festival
- 15—Future Nurses Dance 8:30-11:30 P.M.

- 17—Hi-Y Basketball 6:30-9:00, Conrad gym
- 18—Building Commission meeting
- 19—Activities Program — second group
- 21—Student Government Day
- 24—Hi-Y Basketball
- 26—Evening of One-Act Plays
- 27—Delaware Play Festival
- Dajaware Math Exams (1st & 2nd periods)
- 22—Delaware Play Festival
- 29—D.Y.F.A. Dance 8:00-11:00
- April
- 1—Organ Recital—Auditorium
- 2—Activities Program (First Group)
- 3—Hi-Y Holy Thursday Assembly Program on World Affairs (Installation of 1958-59 Officers and address by YMCA General Secretary in Athens, Greece, Mr. Hobart Creighton)
- 4-13—Spring Vacation

WHAT? ANOTHER CONTEST

Ask Joe Dehority, who won \$100 in 1956! The annual high school Auto Safety Contest pays big awards for feature articles and cartoons. Submit yours to SMOKE SIGNAL before April 1 and let yourself in for the \$100! Read directions posted in Room 205.

THE LEPRECHAUN

Conrad's entry in the Delaware Play Festival will be held March 27 and 28 in Mitchell Hall at the University of Delaware and will be the remarkable Irish fantasy, THE LEPRECHAUN, by Ruth Angell Purkel. The all-star cast in this one-act drama will be headlined by Tom Cassell, playing Egan Molloy; David Hamilton, playing Himself; Kay Burkholder, playing Katy O'Donnihan; and Van Tribiani, playing Shawn McCarthy. How Irish can you get?

The production is being directed by Mr. Donald F. Morgan, assisted by Sally Megonigal. It is expected that a performance for the student body will be given at one of next month's assemblies.



—Clark

Conrad Candidates Selected For A. F. S.

Conrad has sent the names of two candidates for the American Field Service Summer Program scholarships to New York. The Committee, formed of Mr. Anthony Carbone, Chairman; Mr. Darrell Long; Matthew Sullivan; Trallon Buchanan; Miss C. Louise Jackson; Mrs. Eleanor Dill; Mrs. George Kenyon; and Mrs. Vera Patterson, A.F.S. Woodrest Chairman; and Ulla Lautenlos and Judy Gooden as students' representatives, has chosen Carol Carew and Clyde Prestowitz as competitors for this great educational experience. Mr. Carbone, Junior Class sponsor and chairman of the Committee, expressed his feelings when he said to your Smoke Signal reporter, "The applicants in general were a good group but I feel that the two candidates we're to send to the office (N.Y.) are as strong as anyone else ever sent from Conrad. They combine a superior capacity of adaptation, excellent social attitude, etc., with a superior record." In a humorous touch he added, "I wanted to send my own name but the Committee overruled me."

Why These Candidates Were Chosen

Mr. Carbone revealed that the candidates were chosen by the Committee, who made the final determination, according to the teachers' judgment of the students. Candidates were also judged on reliability, personal integrity, leadership, emotional stability, respect for authority, courtesy and tact, personal appearance, social adaptability, ability to meet new people, willingness to try new experiences, and initiative. According to Mr. Carbone, they were required to be at least "B" students.

"so that they will evade difficulties from that scholastic point of view."

The final candidates were submitted to a personal interview. Nevertheless, teachers' judgments were given high priority.

The Candidates Speak

When asked by Smoke Signal's reporter about her reaction when she knew her name was sent to New York, Carol Carew answered, "I was just happy."
Carol Carew counts among her activities swimming, membership in the Press Club, Junior Class Executive Committee, and J.V. Hockey Team. Sports are her favorite activities.

In case of being chosen, she would like to go to an European country but she has no preference. Regarding the Carol-Clyde final competition she only said, "I think it's pretty tough; I'm hopeful, but not overly optimistic."

Clyde Prestowitz's first reaction was very similar to that of Carol; he told your reporter, "I was very happy; they (Committee members) called me at night; I had been thinking about it that day and at the moment I was overjoyed." Clyde also stated that "it will be a tough competition—the one we will face in New York." Nevertheless, he realizes that both Conrad candidates have equal chances.

In spite of being a well-known football star, Clyde's favorite pastime is reading. He is a member of the Press Club (Smoke Signal Features' editor) and the Pi-kappa Club.

Clyde stated at the end of his interview that if he would be chosen he will try to be "strong and above all, a good ambassador of my school and my nation."

May 21—"The" Day

As yet, very few definite plans have been made for 1958's Student Government Day, so long awaited by the student body.

The purpose of Student Government Day, to be held this year on March 21, is to give those seniors who might be interested in teaching as a career a chance to get a taste of what teaching is like and to emphasize the need to develop leadership and responsibility among seniors. The student teachers, who will be counseled by the Student Council and the Future Teachers of America, will be in complete charge of their classes and will teach new material, according to Mr. William Garfield, Student Council sponsor. The teachers whom they will be replacing will visit other schools, congregate in the faculty rooms, or will be on a committee to evaluate this day's accomplishments. The president of the Student Council will act as principal; the treasurer as assistant principal; the president of the F. T. A. will serve as dean of girls; and the senior class president as dean of boys.

Student Government Day is a vote of confidence by the faculty and administration in the student body. It is the students' day; and, if they wish to have it continued, they must show that they are worthy of such confidence.

It is just as important to do a good job as listeners and students as it is to be a success as student teachers.

POETRY

THE MOUNTAIN'S STRENGTH

By Sam Simmons, Grade VI
You mountain—massive, steep, and tall—
Covered with snow, adorned with trees,
And looking down upon us all
With lofty, haughty, contemptuous gaze.

Come of a cataclysmic birth,
Attacked by time and wind and rain,

Your patience, faith, and silent strength
Are tested by all in my domain.

What force could ever topple you?
What storm could make me cringe?

Who would dare to challenge you
Or on your rights infringe?

May my faith be strong as yours;
May your strength be mine.
And may I face the storm of life
With courage such as thine.

A WONDROUS GIFT

By Clyde Prestowitz, Grade II
To some, there is no God nor Almighty Being;
No faith, no hope, no everpresent guide.

To these is life often drab;
A shallow thing at best.
Beginning by accident and ending through the same.

The spreading oak is great, and strong;
As long as roots remain.
But oh the sorrow of the sight,
When the decayed oak are done,
Those roots no longer labor and life's glory fades.

I often think how similar are people without God,
Who, like the rotten oak, topple, when strong winds blow.

I have a God, who from all sin has ransomed me.



—Howard Bachman

Lindsay Greenplate, state chairman of the Voice of Democracy, presents Harris Fischer with a plaque symbolizing his triumph in the state contest, as Thomas Faix, president of the State Jaycees, looks on. Other prizes were a \$100.00 bond and a trip to Washington, D.C. (See page, col. 2).

He bled, and suffered agony,
To make my life complete;
And, when old, with senses dulled,
To bring me home with him.

Oh how sweet is life today,
To feel him always near,
To know him ever ready
to give a helping hand, or comfort
any care.

I would not trade this precious gift
with any man.
For money is one thing, but love
of God is quite another.
There is no substitute for love
like this.

A WILD PIGEON

By Roland Comery, Grade II
It wakes in the morning
Before you or me,
It opens its eyes
Astounded to see
A running brook at the
Bottom of the tree.

As the sun is shining
Above the trees,
It flutters down with
The morning breeze.

It is fluttering down
To the brook below
To get a drink
Alongside of a doe.

It flies all day getting
Twigs for its nest,
Stopping on occasion for
A brief, quiet rest.

The day is coming to a close.
The sun is setting in the West.
And everything is going to rest.

It flies to a tree whose
Branches reach high,
To sleep through the
Night beneath the sky.

AN INSPIRATION

By Bill Campbell, Grade II
Abe Lincoln was his name,
And all the world knows his fame,
How he rose from the bottom of
the heap,
And how the highest glories he
did finally reap.

He should be an inspiration to the
common people,
His achievements should be shouted
from the highest steeple,
How with so little education,
He eventually rose to lead the
nation.

How, with grim determination,
He set a course for preservation,
But, seeing this to no avail,
A war course he was forced to sail.

ABE LINCOLN

By James Collins, Grade II
He was born in a cabin, this honorable man.
He was tall and rugged with a
deep brown tan.

He studied by the hours, by a
crude fire light.

And this, to Abe's parents was
wonderful sight.

His family was poor but they asked
no loan.

And so they went roaming from
home to home.

In Illinois Abe became a grocery
store clerk.

And though tough was his duty, he
did not shirk.

And then this lad who was born
to nature

Became a candidate for Illinois's
legislature.

And though he lost, he was not sad,
For young Abe Lincoln was
a wonderful lad.

To Springfield Abe went, to study
law.

Then he was the pride of his
dear old "ma."

Young Mary Todd became Abe's
wife,

And stuck with him always
through struggle and strife.

In his later years, Abe won a Con-
gress nomination.

And with the aid of a speech won
the help of the nation.

He was elected president to many's
surprise.

And his happiness was seen in the
tears from his eyes.

All through the war Abe did his
best,

Though all of the burdens lay right
at his chest.

He then freed the slaves with his
proclamation,

And the cheers went up from all
over the nation.

Then in Ford's theater honest Abe
was killed.

And around his coffin the crowds
sadly miled.

Abe Lincoln is gone but not out of
sight,

For he had just won the most bit-
ter of fights.

Abe Lincoln had mended the na-
tion's tear,
And now he is gone, the angels
know where.

For honest Abe Lincoln, as I am
told,
is now in the heavens with the
angels of old.

MONKEY, FOOT OF ALL EVIL.

By Dan Ceel, Grade II
A girl named Lou
Had money it was true,
And she bought herself a ship
And went out for a trip.

But the ocean was rough,
And the wind it was tough,
And it blew her off the ship,
Which undoubtedly ended her trip.

TOO BAD

By Verna Yeoman, Grade II
Accomplishment is the smile on
someone's face,

When he finds his special place.
The only trouble is,
When he finds his,

It's usually mine!

JAZZ

Although the big style of music at present is "rock 'n' roll," there is another type which is popular with people who are really interested in music. This relatively small group is the mainstay of progressive jazz fans. However, anyone with any musical interests can come to enjoy this style of music.

When you mention jazz, the average person says, "I know what that is. Why that was popular way back in the roaring 20's." But modern jazz is a genuinely different sound from the days of blue-jazz. Progressive jazz is a style in which cohesion of musicians is strived for. It is a painstaking effort to weld the best possible combinations. It is derived from a very technical process in which the artists try to relay to the listeners a special sound.

Some of the big names in pro-

gressive jazz are Chris Conner, vocalist; Dave Brubeck, Jay and Kai; Chet Baker; and Gerry Mulligan.

Actually the average person doesn't know very much about this new form of jazz. However, he has had a taste of it in popular recordings. "Swinging Shepherd Blues" is a product of modern jazz.

The Brubeck Quartet is a good example of this kind of music and is one of the big names in the field. This group has a teamwork which is without parallel in music. Each one is one of the best in his profession. There is a great deal of improvisation in their names. This improvisation is the chief reason for their great fame.

Why not latch on to a Brubeck record and see why some music-lovers dig this sound?

—Larry Shyer

Hinda Bopar

EDITORIAL

Homeroom Run Around

Every school morning the students enter their homerooms to "start the day right." They have their attendance counted, hear the bulletin, hear the Bible read, pray, and salute their flag. Then the bell rings and they troop off to classes.

Does this ten-minute period really start them off as well as it could? Does it accomplish its true purpose and do the students themselves realize that purpose?

It is said that one can always do well if he puts his heart into his work. These students very soon will have to find a living in the world and will no longer have "dear old Dad" to depend on. Are they realizing their present responsibilities to their God and country? Or do they plod along through their daily work years accomplishing little and caring little, as long as no one complains?

The homeroom period was originally intended, in addition to counting attendance, to remind the students, through the prayer and flag salute, of their true purpose in schooling; to prepare for later life and fulfill their debt to their Creator and their nation. But now, does it do this?

A few years back, when Ray Capps was our exchange student, a few fellows in his homeroom couldn't figure out why he did not say the pledge of allegiance. "What's the big idea, you unpatriotic or something?" was their query. These boys did not know what they were doing themselves and why they did it! If they had been in Spain would they have said, "I pledge allegiance to the flag of Spain . . .?"

This is an example of neglect and discernment for reality. Some of the young people of this nation and of this very school have forgotten, just plain forgotten, one of the true responsibilities of living as citizens of the United States; to preserve the good living conditions the country has granted to them. Men such as Lincoln and Washington, whose birthdays were recently celebrated, fought and strove to set up, preserve and defend the kind of living standards that are now taken for granted. It remains the job of the young people of today to carry on this job for the benefit of those that will follow them. Their job is nothing that is being forced upon them; unduly; it is only their duty, in all fairness to their descendants. The first and most important part of this job is to cultivate a reverent and agreeable attitude to this responsibility, and right here, in this very school, in morning exercises, is the place to start.

A confident and faithful attitude is the best weapon against the worries of the future.

—Sidney Clark

EDITORIAL

Drivers' Age 18?

Don't get excited! Conrad's foremost vehicles expert (Dave Jones) says, "It can't be!"

Mr. Skripkeff (the real expert) says the idea of raising the driving age to 18 and requiring drivers' education in the schools is strictly rumor. He marked that for such a law to be passed there would have to be available enough drivers' ed. teachers to offer the course to everyone. Since there are not nearly enough such teachers, the rumor is not dangerous.

Seriously speaking, we wonder if such a law wouldn't be just a little ridiculous. We admit the situation is bad. It is an undignified fact that the percentage of teenage accidents is up to 40 percent of the percentage of teenage drivers. However, the figures also show that the worst drivers aren't those between 16 and 20, but those nearing 25. In the light of these facts the age-raise would have to be the driver's age to at least 25. Certainly everyone will agree on the ridiculousness of this.

Also, as Mr. Skripkeff says, "We can teach them what to do, but after they leave us what they do is up to them." It will take more constructive measures than this proposed negative approach to reduce the number of teenage-caused accidents on the highway today.

—Clyde Prestowitz

EDITORIAL

Washington Reflections

"Eastern Airlines, flight 663," cracked the loudspeaker. "Here we go," I thought, and pushed my way through the glass doors into the whipping wind. The bright-colored, twin-engine plane looked like one you might say in a five-and-ten cent store, with its shiny blue-and-irid trim—except for its size. But the wind was too cold for me to stand and look at the airplane that was to carry me to Washington on my first airplane one-way ticket and hurried up the steps.

In a few minutes the craft was straining down the runway, engines roaring. The wheels lifted from the ground ever so slightly, and we were airborne. In seconds, the buildings below dwindled to little boxes, and the roads were narrow white lines painted across the ground.

I was on my way. What am I doing in an airplane six thousand feet above the ground, some where between Wilmington and Washington, D. C.? I was bound for the National Voice of Democracy Competition, the same as fifty-one other students and territorial winners. Actually, for us the competition was over; we had already tape-recorded our speeches and they were being judged even as we journeyed from all parts of America to Washington, D. C. Our four-day stay in Washington was a sort of prize for winning the state and territorial contests.

What is the Voice of Democracy Contest? "All 10th, 11th, and 12th

How To Take Tests And Like 'Em

The most common pet-peeve and day-runner of Conradians, or for that matter, all students, is a test. This is the fabled contrivance with which the teacher, vainly endeavoring to determine how well they are presenting the subject to their students. A test may have been the cause of that lone C spoiling your report card. (Yes, we're spiteful.)

Since a test can be reasonably assured that tests will be around long after we will, the problem is then to learn, if not to like tests, at least to pass them. So, we'll wait a second. It is possible, if you wish, we really are optimistic!

We are not being facetious when we say that the first step in liking tests is doing well in them. After all, to do a "D" on a test will contribute to a "D" on the year. In doing well in is being prepared. (Studying beforehand sometimes helps.) No, my friend, cheat-sheets are not the answer. You know you'll get caught; besides why go to all the trouble of making a cheat-sheet when it is so much simpler to flunk honestly?

Second, get a good night's sleep the night before. If you've gotten this will help you to be more alert. If you haven't studied, why lose your sleep, you're sunk!

Third, when test time comes around, have at least two well-sharpened pencils and at least many erasers. (You know how hard they are!)
The fourth step is understanding the questions on the test. This is important.

Those directions at the top of the page may be a clue. (Read them carefully, take over 15 minutes.) Now, we've set it. (Type here, the teacher is really

grade high school students were invited to enter a broadcast script on the subject, I speak for Democracy. The script had to be 3 to 5 minutes long and was judged on content, delivery, and originality. This year three quarters of a million students from the 48 states, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia entered the contest. From "BACKGROUND MATERIAL FOR VOICE OF DEMOCRACY STATE AND TERRITORIAL WINNERS," a mimeographed pamphlet provided some background for us when we were interviewed on radio or TV. What are the prizes? This year, the Wilmington first prize was a \$25 Bond, the Delaware prize a \$100 Bond, and the National prize (of which four are awarded each year) a \$500 scholarship and a gold record of the speech. The greatest prize of all, however, is a four-day, all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, with the lucky winner gets to meet fifty-one of the craft's smartest, prettiest, handsomest, funniest and nicest teenagers in the United States and its territories.

Yes, with all this to be gained with so little effort (one boy won his speech in a study hall), why is it that only four or five people from Conrad entered the contest? I'm sure that if I could convey an idea of the wonderful time I had in Washington, even though Conrad would enter the contest next year. Of course I can't describe all the experiences I had, but I will say to all those who will be eligible next year: enter the contest. It's worth it.

—Harris Fischer

asking for it. Let yourself go, tell about your father's opinion, the president's opinion, and your own view. (If you don't have one, it's cricker to make one up.) While you're at it, try to include some "G" words in the book. (It impresses the teacher.)

The true and false questions are always fun, too. But they can be tricky; for instance, True or False —It is not true that Alexander did not cut the Gullion Knot, to undo a knot which had been undone before. Try guessing; your chances are 50-50.

Another type is the completion question. Study for this type of question should include all finalized information given in your text, with any other little bits of information having little or nothing to do with the overall theme of the subject.

For instance, the name of George Washington's horse just might come in handy. (It will also come in handy for the essay type.)

Well, now, with this valuable information to aid you, you will certainly be able to get an "A" on your next test. (No? Pessimist!)

One and all, good luck!
—Rolande Boucher
Jim Davis

CLARIFICATION

In a story on the history of the Conrad school seal printed in the November issue of *Smoke Signal*, it was mentioned that the Balfour Company did the final arranging of a design made in part by Miss Joan G. Living. The word "credit" is due; it should be noted that this final design was the work of Mr. Walter Allen, well-known to the yearbook staff through their business relations, who also designed the Conrad seal rings. Mr. Allen was shown the seal design for a job behind the scenes well done.—Editors.

How To Get A Summer Job

When you look out the window and see snow on the ground, I'm sure the first thing you think of is a summer job! But don't kid yourself. The time to get a summer job lined up is now! Next May will be too late to get a good job. Anyone who lands a good job can easily make from \$200 to \$600 this summer. Better get with it if you want your choice.

Many employers are in the process of making out their plans for the summer. These plans could include you! The first thing you should do is make up the types of employment in which you are interested. This list might include grocery store, gas station, industrial plant, S. & T. Women's store, men's store, summer camp, etc. Check the help wanted section of the newspaper. Now get on the telephone, or better yet, inquire in person.

Employers may want you to fill out an application form when you apply for a job. If this is the case there are certain rules to follow. 1) Have a Birth Certificate and Social Security card with you. 2) Read the application carefully and answer all questions. 3) Use ink and write neatly. 4) Know the date. 5) Have an idea of the salary you would desire. 6) Ask for it in the hardest one. Find out the average current salary on the particular job and put down a figure close to this.

After the application, the employer may want you to come back for an interview. Remember to (1) wear a neat suit, (2) not chew gum, (3) not smoke, (4) be courteous, (5) be on time when you go for a job interview.

Contact all the different companies or employers on your list. It will be much better, come summer, to have too many jobs waiting for you than none at all.

If you please your employer this summer, he may want you back in succeeding summers. By landing your summer employment now, while you have your choice, you can gain valuable work experience, not to mention the money, when vacation rolls around. Start looking around now, and here's wishing you luck!

—Sam Simmons

Letter To The Editors

I think that if the D.Y.F.A. had the full backing of the school, it would be a great success. The teachers would have better response from the students in their attitudes and their work. Many students feel that they come to school to play. But they have been led in the wrong way.

As Roy Adams has said, we have to make plans for the future graduating classes and make clear the way to success that others have traveled. Conrad High School has plenty of ambitious students who really want to see Conrad get ahead in the D.Y.F.A.

I think the idea of the square deal is really swell. This will help the fellows who haven't got any cars to have one at easy-to-pay prices. The plan to help the students when they are having problems at home is a good idea too. I know for a fact that many students will like this. They can get the advice of teenagers of their own age. They can come to a conclusion together in a sensible way. By doing this the students will not have to carry it over into their various classes during the day.

In the assembly the juniors and seniors proved that they wanted the D.Y.F.A. at Conrad. They decided that something had to be done, and they want Conrad to be ahead in whatever the future unfolds.

—Ethel Smith

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OUR AIM: To promote the spread of knowledge, knowledge with a capital 'N'.

What the heck are "slinkies"? In case you didn't hear, on the day of the A.I. game, Conradian girls were advised not to wear slacks or "slinkies" to the game that evening. Guess they didn't want anyone getting out of control going down the stairs.

Try and associate the following pet expression with the correct teacher:

- "In this class you'll just have to forget logic and try to follow me."
- "These drawings are bad in exactly two weeks, with POSITIVE-LY NO EXTENSION!!"
- "By the horned spoon!"
- "Oh, peanut butter!"
- "The devil's own task . . ."
- "RAYMOND GREHWALKER!"
- "Watch out for the poogies."
- Mrs. Dill
- Mr. Reist
- Mr. Morgan
- Dr. Batel
- Miss Miller
- Mr. Briggs
- Miss Snyder

See answers at end of column. Score one weegee button for each correct answer.

ditto machine maintenance .05

depreciation of both machines .10

Man-hour value of time 35 teachers take

to read bulletin every morning 4.20

\$6.13

However couldn't this cost be saved by having the bulletin read over the public-address system, the only costs being those of electricity and maintenance? Considering all factors, the cost of running the intercom for a whole year comes to less than \$.50.

And furthermore consider the excellent educational values of permitting our speech students means to learn ease and confidence at the mike. There is more to this than meets the ear. We would appreciate hearing YOUR comments on this subject through letters to the editor.



EXPOSE—who's that smoking in the lavatory?

Several Conradian girls were reported seen wearing SALLIES buttons at the last Sals basketball game. Now we won't mention any names, but the girls' initials are Winnie Hurstakis, Mickey, Ross, Lois Hurst, and Lois Harvey.

Our congratulations to the long-suffering company which removed the bubble gum that stuck our sliding gym doors for so long.



We suppose you've heard of Mr. Briggs' latest book. It's called "Man on Fire" or "I Searched for a Gas Leak in the Chemistry Lab with a 147 Match".

After two janitors came into the German II class several time and looked all around, Lanny Elmer was moved to advise them, "Look in the Yellow Pages!" The two janitors went to the back of the room and opened a trap door in the floor, letting forth mist. Shortly thereafter who should appear in the hole but Bill Stevens, who clambered out, saying, "I thought they'd never find me."

Barbara Miller, astonished, asked, "What was he doing, hiding from them?" Whereupon Jim Davis replied, "Sure, they play hide-and-seek every lunchtime!"

We've heard of the controversy over the name for the new high school and here's our two-cent's worth! Try these for size, shape and stretchability.

Bill Stevens Memorial High School

Great Horned Lizard High School

Twelve O'clock High

Darnoc C. H. High School (that's Conrad spelled backwards)

POININ High School (Pain of Headache, Neuritis, Neuralgia)

Heard on the wire-tap: "Say, Mabel, did you hear about Mrs. Dill?"

"No."

"She had a fight with her husband."

"No."

"Yeah! They were in the kitchen and he made some crack and she squirts him with the Redi-Whip. Just a little bit, mind you."

"Yeah, then what?"

"Why, he grabbed the can and squirted her back! Pretty soon the place looked just like the Aragon Ballroom."

And here we hung up.



Cute, isn't he? (The dog, that is). From left, Peggy Collingsworth, Dale Leach, Janet Austin, Mr. Conrad, (with long ears), and Yan Tribunal.

The scene is the Hand Room. . . Mr. George "What a bid for the top beat-up music stand!" Tom Hanna: "Twenty-five cents!" The bidding was continued by Ray Grehwalk and Wayne Robson until, at \$125, Ray had to leave to call his mother for some more money. Finally, the bidding stopped at \$1.65 and Ray walked off the winner of a dandy little piece of beat-up metal.

Miss Snyder's second-year German class, it seems, has discovered the value of psychological tactics in their never-ending war on teachers. Take for instance, one day . . . Nobody is in his right seat.

Next day, everybody takes different wrong seats.

More wrong seats the day after that (supposedly influences the homework center of the teacher's mind.)

Another day . . . Bill Haxtable calls out, "What time is it?"

Class answers, in song, "It's Howdy Doodie Time!"

Puts teacher in hysterics, unable to teach for at least 15 minutes.

Most effective method of all: For whole period, no one in class says a word unless called upon.

Puts teacher in state of complete SHOCK.

Unconsciousness results.

Remember the day a pipe blew in the chem lab and half the school had no heat? That was the day that Helen Bridges, in Mr. Hinner-scheett's fourth period English class, wanted to know what we'd have for lunch. Steve Spangler said "Stew!" but it was John Or'd who saw the light and reported, "Cold plaster soup!"

Answers to Puzzle Corner

3-9 J-E
P-7 Q-G
W-2 3-9 9-1

Cyclotron

By Jack Creling

Satellites! Brain twisters!

Science Fair! If you want to learn the latest about these as well as how to stomp your chemistry teacher and how to figure your mid-year exam marks, read on! This is a new column in the *Smoke Signal* with the purpose of bringing science with its many fields closer to Conradians. Although the cyclotron is actually a machine to smash atoms to make atomic energy, we have borrowed its name for this column.

Mid-Year Marks

Believe it or not, Math is not all homework and tests. It can be fun and practical. For instance, if you want to know your mid-year exam mark in any subject, just double your first and second marking period numerical averages and add the results together; then subtract this from five times your semester average, and you have your exam mark.

Example: X=5A-B

X equals mid-year exam mark. A equals semester average. B equals the sum of two times the first marking period mark, plus two times the second marking period mark.

Teacher's Problem

As you have just seen, the terms of math are fairly easy, but in chemistry they are a bit more complex. You might even stomp your chemistry teacher with a name like methylpropenylendihydroxyaminomylaric acid (43 letters, not counting case, in case you're wondering.)

Science Fair

This year's State Science Fair is at Tower Hill School on April 10, 11, and 12. It is open to any students in grades 7 through 12 who wish to display any science exhibit they have made. The exhibit may be on any scientific subject in the categories of biology, physics, and chemistry, made by an individual or a group of two. There will be two divisions—junior high and senior high—and awards will be given for the first, second, and third places in all three categories in both divisions. Two grand prize winners will also be named. The science teachers will be glad to help you and they have entry blanks. However, the deadline for entry is March 4, so hurry if interested.



The Science Fair will be open to the public on April 10, 11, 12. The admission will be free. If you do not enter an exhibit this year, now is the time to start planning for next year.

Satellites

As you probably know by now, the United States at last has a satellite in space. It was launched from Cape Canaveral, Florida on Friday, January 31, at approximately 10:45 p.m. The satellite, which is the final stage of the Jupiter C missile, weighs about 268 lbs., is 6 inches in diameter and 80 inches long. The Explorer, as it is called, completes its orbit once every 113 to 114 minutes, traveling at an average speed of 18,000 miles per hour. It also spins on its own axis 700 times a minute and is expected to stay up from 2 to 10 years.

Although it cannot be seen with the unaided eye, the signals of its two transmitters can be heard on 108 and 108.03 megacycle radio band. Among its 11 lbs. of instruments are a microphone, a Geiger counter, and devices for detecting meteors and recording temperatures.

A fact not to be forgotten is that the satellites of both the United States and Russia are just a part of the international Geographical Year (IGY). IGY is the united effort of scientists all over the world working together to learn more about the Earth on which we live.

The satellites now in the sky are the completion of an idea, an idea that has considered insane just a few years ago. Yet, man has put three such ideas into space and we have seen this fantastic thing happen.

Our parents and grandparents tell us about the beginnings of the automobile and the airplane but we can tell our children about the beginning of the conquest of space!

Brain Twisters

You may be surprised to learn how a very simple and easy problem can baffle your mind to its very limits. Here are some problems, and only the last one requires the use of math. How many can you do? The answers will be posted in Room 205 today.

- Arrange 4 golf balls so that each one touches the other 3.
- Arrange 5 half dollar coins so that each one touches the other 4.
- Arrange 6 cigarettes so that each one touches the other 5.
- A man has one 5 qt. bucket and one 3 qt. bucket and he goes to a well to fill them. He has to leave exactly a total of 4 qts. of water left. He can only use the two buckets and he cannot guess measurements. How does he do it? (Try to do this one in two minutes.)

5) A knight is riding through a village and his horse starts shoeing. The village blacksmith, being a good mathematician, says he will charge a penny for the first nail and will double the price with each following nail; the knight agrees. If the blacksmith has 24 nails, how many pennies will the knight owe him?



Betty Lou—she didn't really do it . . .

A Special Smoke Signal Report to Taxpayers.

Dear Taxpayer: Do you know how much it really costs to print the daily bulletin? Here are the results of a special *Smoke Signal* survey:

The bulletin, at 50 copies per day costs \$1,163.40 every year! Wow! Breakdown: \$6.14 every day

paper	.10
secretary's time	1.25
ditto fluid	.05
Kleenex to remove ditto fluid from secretary's hands	.02
ditto sheets	.08
typewriter ribbon	.25
typewriter maintenance	.03

NEWS from the Nation

Do You Know—

a good way to stop a nose bleed? Put a towel around the patient's neck.

*Redwood Bark
Eureka High School
Eureka, California*

that's it's impossible to drive a car in California without breaking the law? A law was passed when automobiles were first introduced making it illegal to drive a car, and the old statute is still in the books.

*Redwood Bark
Eureka High School
Eureka, California*

Heard these?

Girl (on the doorstep): "Since we've been going through all night, you kiss yourself and I'll kiss myself."

and
A freshman entered a barber shop "How long do I have to wait for a shave?" he asked. The barber looked at him carefully and replied, "Oh, another year or so."

*"The Who?"
Wilmington High School
Wilmington, Delaware*

"Turkey—first you get your chance to stuff it; then it returns the gesture."

*"The Highway?"
Wilmington High School
Wilmington, Pennsylvania*

"I asked Bill what he thought the height of stupidity was? He asked me how tall I was."

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

Tongue Twister
A skunk sat on a stump. The skunk thought the stump stunk, the stump thought the skunk stunk.

*"The Who?"
Wilmington High School
Wilmington, Delaware*

Our compliments to—
A. A. Herr, Oxford Area High School senior, who helped represent Pennsylvania at the 1957 4-H Awards program at the 36th National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

*"A.H.E. Broadcast"
Oxford Area High School
Oxford, Pennsylvania*

Carolyn Carney, at Seaford High School, who won the Voice of Democracy Contest for her region (Harris Fischer took the honors for Conrad, swept New Castle County, the State of Delaware and finished among the top twelve in the nation).

*"The Blue Jay"
Seaford High School
Seaford, Delaware*

Jennie Lavin and Richard Leegar who became Olney High School's participants in the semifinals of the National Merit Scholarship examination. Eight hundred scholarships will be awarded and will range from \$100.00 to \$2,200.00. (Harris Fischer and Dave Hamilton were members of Conrad's top pole in this scholarship test).

*"Olney Highlights"
Olney High School
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

Penny Krams, a P. S. student, who was chosen 1957 Football Queen.

*"The Blue and Gray"
Pierre S. duPont High School
Wilmington, Delaware*

It's a fact that—
Over 20 A. L. duPont High School students are participating in the Delaware Junior Achievement program. (Conrad also has a large delegation of junior achievers).

*"The Blue"
Annie L. duPont High School
Wilmington, Delaware*

In Eureka High School, California, a student court has been set up. Penalties: First offense, some kind of school improvement related to the offense; second offense, recommendation suspension with parents to appear to get student back into school; third offense, recommendation to send offender to juvenile court.

The decision of the court will be final unless evidence is shown which will indicate student's innocence, or appeal is made to a student body (consisting of principal, court advisors, and the three justices) made by student's parents.

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

Youth For Christ

Perhaps, after hearing so much about the Youth For Christ Club on the bulletin, you are wondering what it's all about. This is your formal invitation to come to the meetings and see.

The Y. F. C. club isn't a "secret meeting of the Saints." Nor is it a study church service. It is a club, part of a growing, international organization, open to all students at Conrad who are interested in helping American youth to lead clean, moral lives before God.

Statistics show that seventy-five per cent of the teenagers in the United States have never been on the inside of a church, except to attend weddings, funerals, and such special services. They don't seem to care about God. This percentage is appalling when you recall the promise that we have from God. Our nation was Africa, not from those of Europe and Asia, not because it was the "melting pot" or because it was religiously tolerant, but because, as a nation, we openly displayed our faith in God.

During the past century or so, our faith has somewhat deteriorated. Our nation has become on the down-grade as far as faith in God is concerned. Our people no longer depend so much upon Him. The Y. F. C. may be the organization which will help to bring this nation "back to God."

This Youth For Christ idea is far from new. Clubs have been established in high schools all over the United States. Many nice clubs exist in the Wilmington area with full co-operation of school boards, churches, and even whole communities. As a matter of fact, Conrad is the sixth school in New Castle County to form a club. Clayton's club in existence for two years, already has an average weekly attendance of 70.

Although comparatively new, our club is already well on its way to being a successful organization here at Conrad. Every other Saturday evening, the "Wilmington area Y. F. C. clubs sponsor a rally, at which there are guest speakers, special music, films, and, also, keen competition between quiz teams from the various clubs. So far, Conrad has participated twice and is undefeated.

You can have a part in helping your team stay on by coming to the meetings and cheering the team on, or by actually studying and becoming a member of the team.

Why don't YOU come to the next meeting and see what YOU think? The meetings are not limited to any faith or denomination. This club is open to anyone by any one church. In fact, it is not sponsored by any church at all! Youth For Christ International is an independent, self-supported organization. It belongs to you, the youth of America, and it's not take advantage of it!

—Russell Fulton

... "OF, BY, AND FOR" ...

A special report by Sam Simmons, Co-editor News Staff

The Delaware Youth for America is an idea. It is an idea being turned into accomplishments at Conrad High School. D.Y.F.A. emphasizes the principle that youth in private life, that is the governing of its school, community, and nation; that youth can help themselves; and that a force of 800 active teenagers can organize and be of vast service to its state and nation.

Letter From Washington

Our Congressmen in Washington, D. C. have expressed a desire that youth take a more active part in civic affairs. The following statement is quoted from an open letter to United States Senators J. Allen Frear, Jr. and John J. Williams, and United States Representative Harry G. Haskell, Jr., to the students of Henry C. Conrad High School.

"As you know, our society depends upon a steady influx of young people for survival; this is no less true in civic affairs than in private life. Thus as you approach maturity it is well to bear in mind your civic obligations. Whether they are entirely pursued depends, of course, upon a great many factors. However, a willingness to approach these responsibilities with a sense of understanding is a requirement of extreme necessity."

"It would be well to begin now to develop an active concern about our form of government; its framework, motivation, aims, objectives, and most important, its ultimate effects upon you as an individual."

"If taken altogether, it is likely that the most serious problems presently occupy in Congress will fall into your hands, just as your generation will likewise be charged with those vast—and sometimes burdensome—responsibilities presently shouldered by your elders. Thus, it is entirely proper to assume that your present training will be reflected in the decisions which will be demanded in that not too distant "tomorrow."

We at Conrad High School intend to do something about it. We want to be ready for the "not too distant tomorrow" that the Congressmen speak of. Through the D.Y.F.A. we can accomplish our aims. We feel that by helping to govern ourselves today, and by learning about how the government operates, we will be ready to face the responsibilities of helping and governing our nation when we become citizens.

Nearly every student in Conrad High School pledged its active support to the D.Y.F.A. at an assembly. Since then, great strides have been made toward the fulfillment of the D.Y.F.A. purposes.

D.Y.F.A. Accomplishments

A student store has been established to serve the student's needs. All types of school supplies are sold, and candy is sold after school. The students, through the D.Y.F.A., expressed a desire, and need for such a store, and permission was granted by the school administration. The store is not operated to make a great profit, but simply a way of help to the student body. (1)

For some years the students had been dissatisfied with the boys' locker room. The D.Y.F.A. is the means of answering such complaints. The locker room was painted and new mirrors installed. This was done by D.Y.F.A. mem-

bers under the leadership of Steve Soltow. (2)

The D.Y.F.A. is sponsoring the student tutoring program at Conrad. "A" students are on hand after school to provide free help in any subject. It is hoped that student tutoring will raise the academic level of our school. (3)

The most ambitious way that D.Y.F.A. members have sought to learn about our government has been through the luncheons with the mayors. Dave Jones, Chairman of the Citizens' Committee, believes that if youth can come to know their governing officials, and can discuss civic duties with them, it will better know how to help and support the government. Conrad students have had two luncheons with Mayor Lemont of Wilmington, Mayor Briggs of Newport, and Mayor Walling of Blaine.

Panel discussions and informal talks brought the students and mayors into each other's understanding. The luncheons were

also go to Mr. Traflet, T. Buchanan, Mr. Michael Vinovsky, and Mr. Louis Dymond who have helped the D.Y.F.A. This is an organization of young people, but without the studying hand of adults, it could not and would not have attained any degree of accomplishment. (6)

The following is the organization of The Conrad D.Y.F.A. Executive Committee:

Roy Adams, Executive Chairman.

Steve Soltow, Executive Co-Chairman.

Jerry Winnington, Executive Co-Chairman.

Dolores Sullivan, Treasurer.

Barbara Miller, Secretary.

Janet Austin, Dave Ewing, Janet Soltow, Bill Larmore, Harris Fischer, Sandra Boswell, Willard Miner, Gale Steiner, Bill Huxtable, and Jerry Watkins.

The following are pro-tem members of the Executive Committee; they are part of the Committee,



—Roy Adams, Wayne Ashler, Sidney Clark

D.Y.F.A. IN ACTION

(See numbers in Text)

both successful, and the mayors expressed their encouragement for the D.Y.F.A.

At the D.Y.F.A. mass meeting on Tuesday, February 11, a "This is Your Life" program was presented by Steve Soltow, a D.Y.F.A. member, as the subject. Steve's life unfolded with his family, minister, and teachers present. This program was presented to show that D.Y.F.A. exists for the individual and stresses the individual above all else. (4, 5)

The D.Y.F.A. is planning to award \$100 scholarships to deserving seniors in June. There will be at least three and perhaps as many as ten of these scholarships, which are to help students finance their college careers. Anyone interested should submit his or her application to Roy Adams as soon as possible.

The members of the D.Y.F.A. wish to express their gratitude to Mr. Darrell F. Long and Miss Isabel Miller, who have been the two greatest guiding influences and have worked diligently to make the D.Y.F.A. a success. Thanks

but are being retained on certain issues:

Judy Gooden, Larry Tasker, Orville Donovan, Richard Toland, David Jones, Anne Simmons, and Ruth Mitchell.

The Executive Board of the D.Y.F.A. has the following statement for the readers of the Smoke Signal:

"We are weaving the tapestries of our lives. Every day we add a thread toward its completion. We hope that Delaware Youth for America might better enable us to present this tapestry one day and have someone say, 'Well done.'"

The Executive Committee would encourage all members to remember one thing daily. Our motto is: "Glorious as is our country, it is not above God nor equal to God, but under God and subject to Him." Let us lay the bricks of progress on a solid foundation, which will one day testify to what we as a believing youth were able to do. Will we erect a monument or destroy an ideal? Get behind the wheel and let us work every Wednesday afternoon in the library.

The Executive Column

It seems this year that the boys have won the eternal battle to come out on top. Our three class presidents this year are John Piccolo, Tom Hanna, and John Caldwell. (The John's have it.)

John Piccolo

The senior class president is a real swell guy known to his friends as "J.P." This certain John Piccolo has dark brown hair, brown eyes, and he's five feet, nine and a quarter inches tall. Anyone interested?

Concerning sports, "J.P." goes all out for football, proof of this being that he was one of the two co-captains of this year's football squad, even though a broken arm kept him out of the limelight last year. Although football is his mainstay, J. P. also likes swimming. Some of his other likes are girls, food, dancing, and "tie day."

John is an active member of the Varsity "C" Club and he is also a member of the Student Council. His ambition is to become, as he laughingly puts it, a "5-star general." Really though, he plans to take basic training and become an air force pilot. "J.P." has nothing against going steady and he plans eventually to get married. He believes that he will be at least twenty-four before he marries.

Tom Hanna

Tom Hanna is doing a junior class president and he's doing a wonderful job. He has brown hair and blue eyes that go neatly with a keen, humorous personality.

Tom's favorite sport is basketball. He is a member of the J. V.

team this year and has helped them make admirable progress. He is active in the H.Y. Club; in fact, he is its vice-president. Tom is a junior officer in Conrad's band in which he plays the trumpet. He prefers popular music and he also likes to dance. As to going steady, he says, "It's high school. If you ask Tom what kind of food he likes, the answer will probably be, "food" (in general).

Tom's ambition is to become a chemical engineer so he can make lots of money to buy F-O-O-D!

John Caldwell

The sophomore class president this year is John Caldwell. He has sandy hair and blue eyes, and, like the two upperclassmen, he also enjoys sports. This year John was captain of the J. V. football squad and he played seven out of the ten games. He also went out for basketball this year. In the fall John enjoys hunting (animals, that is). He enjoys going after fowl, small game, and deer.

John, as far as dancing goes, he prefers slow dancing, but he likes rock and roll music very much.

John's ambition is to become a state trooper. Although he doesn't quite agree on the idea of going steady in high school, John does not intend to be a bachelor.

Among some of his likes are food, and good books, preferably war stories. John also approves of "tie day" and thinks that possibly he could have it twice a week.

So sums the school life of our three "big wheels." Let's support them so that they may continue to do a good job for our classes.

—Carol Oliver

The \$15.00 Challenge

How would you like to make an easy \$15.00?

The Wilmington Drama League is producing a two act musical entitled *Wing Mariner* at 8:00 p.m. on March 18. Tickets for the play, which was written by Bruce Laird and directed by Don Mathewson, are being sold for \$2.00, and the Conrad student selling the highest number of tickets over the minimum of 25 will receive a \$15.00 prize.

Anyone who is interested in this opportunity should see Mrs. Eleanor Dill as soon as possible for further information.

The Parent Teacher Association is sponsoring the drive and it will get a certain percentage of the profit made from the show. This is to be put in its treasury to be used for various things, especially for the after-the-prom party in May.

Get out and sell those tickets and let's fill the house that night! You'll fill the house and the P.T.A. will fill someone's pocket with \$15.00!



Connie Pease, Conrad's winner in the Betty Crocker HomeMaker of Tomorrow Contest.

Wait!

—Don't throw away that old model airplane!

Educators point out that the many thousands of youngsters who assemble and collect authentic scale models of ships, airplanes and cars learn a great deal about them while enjoying the hobby. After April 15th, when the "Pride of the Navy" contest closes, three U. S. Navy Admirals will find out how much these model builders have learned about the ships and planes of the Navy and its air arm.

Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy, Rear Admiral John J. Bergen, National President of the Navy League, and Rear Admiral Robert W. Berry, Regional President of the Navy League are judges of the contest co-sponsored by the U. W. Woolworth Company and Revell, Inc., as their contribution to the Navy's national stay-in-school education program.

Over a thousand prizes, including a mystery "Sealed Orders" trip, sponsored by the Navy League's Buddy Program; a vacation on a Tucson, Arizona dune ranch, and a swimming pool will be awarded for the identification of Navy ships and planes and writing what the contestant learned by building scale models of them. Free entry blanks are available at any F. W. Woolworth store. Chief Jasper Popp & Staff at 6th and King Streets, Delaware will assist contestants in the identification of the Navy task force.

Scholarship Opportunities

There are many scholarships available to the Conrad High School graduate. These are listed in both Deans' offices, Miss Jackson and Mr. Sullivan will gladly help a student select the one that fits him best. Here are just a few:

- I) National Secretaries (One year's tuition to a Delaware Business School) Requirements — Applicant must:
 1. Be American Citizen
 2. Be graduate of a Delaware high school
 3. Take secretarial course
 4. Have real financial need
 5. Take qualifying examinations
 6. Be personally interviewed

- II) American Association of University Women \$400 Scholarship Qualifications on which the awards are based:
 1. High scholastic standing throughout high school.
 2. Contributions to the life of high school community.
 3. Evidence of character and purpose to profit from college education.
 4. High comparative standing on standard psychological examinations.
 5. Financial need for scholarship.

- III) Wilmington Sales Executives Club
 1. Five years at University of Delaware in Business Administration.

- Qualifications:
 1. Be an American citizen.
 2. Be a graduate in upper third of his class from a Delaware secondary school.
 3. Meet the entrance requirements of the University of

- IV) Illinois Institute of Technology
 1. Be a 1958 graduate of an accredited high school.
 2. Be in the upper quartile of class.
 3. Submit written recommendation from high school principal or counselor.
 4. Be qualified for admission as outlined in the Institute Catalog.

- V) Three year scholarships in Nurses Training or for the hospital expenses at the University of Delaware.
 1. Applicant must be resident of Delaware.
 2. She must be accepted in a Nurses School in Delaware.
 3. Preferably in the upper third of her class in school.
 4. She must be in need of financial help.

- VI) Drexel Institute of Technology
 1. Scholarships ranging from \$275 to \$1250 plus 15 foundation and industrial scholarships for undergraduate study in fields of "The College of Engineering" and "The College of Business Administration" and "College of Business Administration." College Entrance Board approval required.

ALUMNI REPORT

Edited by Sallie Evans

Here is some information concerning the vocations the boys who graduated in the Class of '57 have chosen. In case this list is not up to date, we would be glad to know the whereabouts of any of last year's seniors—boys or girls.

Those attending college have entered the field of engineering, agriculture, education, chemistry, law, and medicine. Others have joined or plan to join the armed forces or are working for business firms in the Wilmington area.

University of Delaware

- Joe Abrams Jim Haynes
- Arnold Boyer Irvin Hirschfeld
- Dave Bragdon Jay Keiso
- Pete Fisher Bob Masters
- Elliot Goldy Dave Stevens
- Norman Harper Ronny Trivitt

Other Colleges

- Delaware State—
- Grifton Brittingham
- Wentworth—Bob Cairns
- Bucknell—George Kenyon
- Duke University—Bobby Payson
- Muskingum—Don Schaefer
- Golley Beacom—Richard Schulte
- Wilmington—White
- Bob Wolf

Armed Forces

- Joseph Abbott Donald Lee
- Don Cazier Frank Malorano
- Joe Comer Marvin Perry
- Bonnie Cline Sheldon Scutts
- Lee Dabson Alan Start
- Nell Fleming Jack Turulski
- Bob Biehn Bill Watson
- Jackie Goll Arthur Weber
- Dick Greenhill Bill Wilson
- Wayne Holmgist Tommy
- Alex Kearney Wisniewski
- Tom Lang Larry Dignan

Delaware and be interested in enrolling in Business Administration.

Several 4 year scholarships and numerous 1 year scholarships for men and women entering college in September 1958.

Scholarships are for Liberal Studies, Science, Engineering and Design.

- Qualifications:
 1. Be a 1958 graduate of an accredited high school.
 2. Be in the upper quartile of class.
 3. Submit written recommendation from high school principal or counselor.
 4. Be qualified for admission as outlined in the Institute Catalog.

V) Three year scholarships in Nurses Training or for the hospital expenses at the University of Delaware.

- Qualifications:
 1. Applicant must be resident of Delaware.
 2. She must be accepted in a Nurses School in Delaware.
 3. Preferably in the upper third of her class in school.
 4. She must be in need of financial help.

VI) Drexel Institute of Technology

Scholarships ranging from \$275 to \$1250 plus 15 foundation and industrial scholarships for undergraduate study in fields of "The College of Engineering" and "The College of Business Administration" and "College of Business Administration." College Entrance Board approval required.

SPRING S. Q. T.

This spring scholarship qualifying tests will be given to all 11th grade college preparatory students who wish to take them. It is expected, according to Miss C. Louise Jackson, Dean of Girls, that in a few years most of the colleges in the United States will have chosen their freshman class before the end of the student's junior year in high school, thus making it necessary for high school juniors to compete for scholarships before their senior year.

This fact was one of the many critical situations pointed out by Miss Jackson in her talk to juniors on February 12. She also stressed the importance of working to one's capacity and of obtaining the highest marks one possibly can. Only those who are willing to put forth a great deal of effort will be able to enter and graduate from college, especially in the years to come.

The results of these S.Q.T. tests will be carefully checked and from this information the student will be able to get a clearer picture of his abilities and can arrange his senior schedule accordingly. These tests will be of the greatest value possible to the students, their parents, and their teachers—and will make it possible for juniors to chart their future more intelligently.

CLASS NEWS

SENIOR CLASS

This year's Senior Class officers are: John Piccolo, president; Peggy Collingwood, vice-president; Pattie Dear, secretary; and Don Wallace, treasurer. The members of the executive committee are: Jack McAllister, John Peach, Sandy Quentz, Betty Squires, Betty Smallwood, Elwood Seales, Roy Adams, Bill Hoefling, Ruth Ann Follett, Ella de Courcelle, Helen Levering, and Jeannette Perry.

Recently the seniors, assisted by Isabel Miller, sponsor, had been industriously planning the Senior Hop, which unfortunately had to be postponed because of the blizzard. To help raise money for their dance they sponsored a record hop early in the year and also sold fruitcakes. The numerous committee chairmen for the Senior Hop were as follows. Theme, Bill Huxtable; Program and Entertainment, Jim Davis; Tickets, Jean Andrews; and Ruth King; Decorations, Ray Weber; Music, Ella de Courcelle.

Seniors are now in the midst of ordering name cards, caps, and gowns. June will soon be here!

JUNIOR CLASS

The Junior Class officers elected at the beginning of the school year are: Tom Hanna, president; George Parr, vice-president; Carol Carra, secretary; and Susan Skinner, treasurer. The Junior Class, consisting of a representative from each club, is currently included: Ruthann Brittingham, Ralph Cicconi, Ed Engle, Patsy Harper, Jim Hughes, Peggy MacInnes, Bonnie Merrill, Richard Shaffer, Sue Winger and Ray Workman. Mr. W. C. Carberry, room 202, assisted by all the junior home room teachers, is sponsor of the

The major project for the junior class is sponsoring the Junior Prom, which is being held this year on May 15 in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont. This move has been made necessary, in part, by the ever-increasing student enrollment. An "After-Prom" party is being arranged for the students by the Parent-Teachers Association and the parents of the junior students. (See page 2)

The arrangements for class ring purchases are being made by the class for those students who have not failed any compulsory courses. Once planning for the Junior Prom has been successfully completed, the class will focus attention on a school service program.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

The officers of this year's Sophomore Class are: John Caldwell, president; Pete Cloud, vice-president; Rose Ann Reed, secretary; Terry Graham, treasurer. The executive committee members are: Ben Carey, Jack Fulmer, William Gore, Doris Ivins, Jean Lear, Mary Ann Young, Richard Rash, Carol Strazella, Beverly Slater, Ethel Thomas, Judy McEwee, Johanna Shwartz, Michael Cooper, Christine Morgan, Ronald Collins, and Michael Brown. The class sponsor is Mr. Joseph Laake.

Various means of raising money for the Junior Prom in '59 have been discussed at a recent meeting. Mr. Laake stressed the need for the sophomores to take an active part in all school activities. A written report on class activities, sponsored by the room teacher, is also a necessary part of the program.

SPASH!

Another Hi-Y Splash Party at the YMCA, planned by Ronald Maddox, president, and members of the Hi-Y executive committee, is on the docket for sixty Conradians and their dates tomorrow night starting at 7:30.

Those participating can have their choice of activities from bowling, which will be available all evening, to social swimming from 8:30 to 9:30 and dancing from 9:30 to 11:00. Refreshments will be served during the dance, according to Howie Cloud, program chairman. The cost to each member attending is 50¢ per couple, plus 35¢ per string if couple is desired. No reservations will be made after today at 4:00, so all members planning on attending should sign up in room 206 before 4:00. Free transportation will be available if the student asks for it when he signs up, according to Mr. Malcolm Baird, Hi-Y sponsor in charge of YMCA activities.

Other Hi-Y Activities

The Hi-Y's crammed activity schedule for a membership which has more than doubled since last year has necessitated a division of the club into two activity period sections, with some members attending both meetings. So far this year the Hi-Y has learned the finer points of wrestling at a demonstration conducted by the YMCA's wrestling coach; has enjoyed colored slides taken in Europe by Frank Mullen, YMCA Southwest Branch Executive Secretary who, incidentally, is being transferred to the Newark branch next month; and has studied the way in which an adolescent's body develops and how a teenager can best adapt himself socially to the normal changes which take place as adulthood nears. A film, HUMAN GROWTH, sponsored by the Delaware Mental Health Association, was shown on February 25 to encourage a healthier attitude toward relations between the sexes, according to Lew Winters, program chairman. On February 18 the club held a recording of last year's "Queen of Snow" among the world's champion crews.

Future Hi-Y programs includes plans for a talk by Emilia Martinez on youth in Argentina, a discussion of church history led by Mr. Mullen, a World Service illustrated talk by Mr. Parker Lansdale of the YMCA, and an analysis of "The Young Marines" referred to young men by the various

armed forces and reserve programs. On March 5 Dr. Charles J. Katz, noted Wilmington psychiatrist, will answer specific questions on teenagers' social and physical developments prepared in advance by club members. It is expected that all active members will make a field trip to West Point Military Academy in May.

Hi-Y Sports Program

The Hi-Y basketballers, any members who wish to play, have been rolling up victories in their meets at the Conrad gym on Monday nights in January, February, and March, according to Mr. George Brown, Hi-Y sponsor in charge of at-school sports. (More details will be found in this issue's sports section.) Also, all interested members have enjoyed 125 meetings at the YMCA on the first Saturday evening of every month during the school year, alternating between co-ed and all-male sessions.

School-Wide Activities

The student body as a whole will have an opportunity to share in the Hi-Y's world service program when it holds its induction of officers for 1958-59 at the April 3 Holy Thursday assembly, for the YMCA's general secretary in Athens, Greece, Mr. Hobart Creighton, will discuss the Mid East's current problems at the invitation of America's own future.

All Conradians will be invited to attend this year's Sadie Hawkins (gals do the askin') Dance which was so immensely popular last season. Almost 500 people attended the Hi-Y's homecoming dance last fall, and it is hoped that as many took part as Sadie Hawkins' date on April 26, since profits earned will be used to help bring an exchange student to Conrad next year and to help increase Conrad's giving as far as world service is concerned. Last year the Hi-Y was able to contribute \$100 toward the expenses of Emilia Martinez, and it is hoped the club can double that amount this year.

To help in this campaign for funds all Hi-Y members will be selling 81 chocolate kits throughout March and April to all teachers. Students and teachers wishing to support the Hi-Y's drive for world service and exchange student funds can help best by reserving their candy now in Room 206 or contacting any Hi-Y member.

"Propaganda, (words) will also determine the course of Africa and Asia."

"Many students' surface spelling is not necessary in later life, but it is. A knowledge of spelling and vocabulary is needed to join the army, in nursing, and in many occupations where writing is not the main part of the employee."

Club ended with two thoughts, first that our theme for this spelling campaign should be "persevere and be interested," and second, the words of Henry C. Conrad himself—"This is a great state, I love it," which will make the most of my opportunity."

Mr. Baird and the entire Executive Department are hoping that all Conradians will be making the most of their opportunities to learn during this spelling improvement campaign which will be made an annual affair at Conrad.

of the Executive Board may be announced in the name of the promoter to the deans for approval. If the recommendation is favorable, the selection is made public.

The award consists of a \$25.00 United States Saving Bond and a D.Y.F.A. Pin.

DAVID JONES
Most of us are acquainted with David Jones, and know him as "Mr. Humor," or by some other title of a light nature. His friends know him as a swell guy, but previously a no definite future plan, he is somewhat vague desire to go into the armed forces upon graduation. Recently, David's friends were moved to find that he was making definite efforts to be admitted to Rutgers' University. They were so pleased that they organized a surprise party to show their approval of Dave's new goal. On top of the cake was written, "To the New York Times, Schenectady. It's great to know you are going to college."

Recently the Executive Board revealed the story which has made David its selection. About a month after the beginning of his college year, Dave realized that a decision concerning the future must be made. This time he was not kidding. He began to spend eight hours a week in research. He looked up colleges and analyzed vocations, finally deciding engineering was his goal. With the help of teachers and friends he set up an active program of study and research which would enable him to excel at Rutgers. He studied Latin and Algebra on his own, and his nomination his enrollment in a trip course without adequate preparation. He called on friends such as Wil Minner for help in mathematics.

Here is a fellow who faced a problem and made a decision, despite the lateness of it, realizing the senior year is not the time to begin. Not only did he decide but he has now a reason for all his hard work. Dave has asked to convey one thing that all Start Early. We hope that Dave will have success, and will learn from Dave's achievement what determination and hard work is.

In connection with D.Y.F.A., anyone will testify to the value of Dave's ideas and his work on the program of luncheons with the majors. These luncheons have promoted a better relationship between the student officers and citizens of the student community. The tribute is not to Dave alone, but to the friends who helped in his achievement. Mr. Darrell Long, Mr. Trafletton Buchanan, Mr. Michael Kushing, Mr. Isabel Miller, our faculty members, Don Wallace, Peter Cloud, Nathan Clond, Willard Minner, Jerry Wilmington, Jim Kirwin, and many others.

Roy Adams
D.Y.F.A. Executive Chairman

WILD HEART
By Ken Holdren, Grade 11
Wild heart, uncaptured, untamed;
You run away from love, afraid you will be claimed.
No arms can hold you for long,
And if they try to they will find you are gone.
What can it be?
What dark mystery lies in your past?
Did someone long, long ago, whom you treated so,
Break your heart and make your heart an outlaw?
Can you be wild as you seem,
Or is your wild, wild heart just tied to a dream?
Let your dream go in the past,
For here I am at last.

Club Corner

Art Club A-1958 officers are president, Larry Coe; vice-president, Pat Vesty; secretary, Virginia Edwards; treasurer, Margaret Burns. The club (for juniors and seniors with art experience) hopes to have Miss Edith I. Mitchell, state director of art, from Dover speak at a future meeting, and a trip to New York is planned on May 7. Mrs. Nettie Currier is club advisor.

Future Nurses of America—The Nurses have had a very active semester. They visited the St. Francis and Memorial hospitals where they went on a tour of the hospital and the nursing home. On these tours the girls became better acquainted with the hospitals and learned more of a nursing career. The Future Nurses Rally Day was held at John W. Wannamaker Store last month. Here Future Nurses from the State of Delaware learned about the relation of their high school courses to a nursing career. At the last meeting the girls went to the Albert Einstein Hospital, Philadelphia, by two members of the hospital staff.

Future plans call for record hop with Mel Burnham of WAMS for March 15, and they are also planning to fill stuffed animals, the Varsity Rat and Campus Owl, in school clothes, which may be obtained from any member shortly.

Camera Club—The officers are president, Wayne Ashley; vice-president, Steve Spangler; secretary-treasurer, Bertha Smith; sponsors, Mrs. Sara Richardson and Mrs. Lay Hinnerstadt.

The club has sponsored a snapshot contest with first prize, five dollars, and second, three dollars. Film was developed by the members of the club at reduced prices. First prize was won by Wayne Ashley. The entries were judged by Mrs. Richardson and Malcolm Baird.

Biology Club—The officers are president, John Caldwell; vice-president, Alfred Andrews; secretary-treasurer, Dolores Strahorn; sponsor, Mr. Joseph Gilligan.

In this club blood smears, blood counts, and hemoglobin percentages will be taken. They hope to arrange to enter a display of this in the Science Fair next month.

Do you have AB blood? If so, go to the Biology Club. They will serve a few lunches in our cafeteria to those Conradians with AB blood.

Stamp Club
Something has been added to the long list of activities this year, the Stamp Club, sponsored by Mr. William Garfield.

The members meet during the second activities period and in the homes of the students every other week. New members will be accepted, either at school or at the homes.

Officers were elected and are as follows:
President—Marilyn Bujak
Vice-President—Charles Brown
Secretary-Treasurer—

Doris Parks
Members of the club are submitting entries to the Carley Memorial Community exhibition with prizes. All entries will be displayed in the Montgomery Insurance Company window. The winners of the contest will have their exhibit displayed in the Wilmington Trust Company window in the Hotel DuPont.

Prizes will go to exhibits showing truly creative thinking.

Intercultural Club
Mr. Anthony Carbone talked on the inter-cultural evolution at the Intercultural Club's first formal session on the evening of Wednesday, February 5.

Mr. Carbone's talk was illustrated with interesting slides. An explanatory session followed each one of the slides. Among the outstanding artistic figures mentioned were some contemporary American and foreign painters and the greatest Renaissance figures.

The Club was reorganized during the month of January by a group of College Preparatory English students. Meetings will be held in different members' homes where room and H. F. facilities can be counted as helpers. Membership is limited to thirty College Preparatory English students in order that the club may accomplish its debating purposes. However, according to Miss C. Louise Jackson's statement, another group can be organized if enough students show interest.

Miss Jackson can be considered the Club's sponsor even though it is not organized on the basis of the extracurricular activities' pattern.

The Club aims to develop cultural information for those students that are planning to go to college so that they will find a background indispensable for their liberal education.

SPELLING (from page 1)

top parents in the Parent Teacher Association contest, to be held on Monday evening, March 10, will receive complimentary tickets for the Wilmington Drama League production of "The Young Marines" to be held on March 18. All students are invited to attend this public spelling bee.

Mr. Leach's Comments

Mr. Leach began his talk by relating a few nursery rhymes and showing how the people adapted their rhymes by singing these in the street.

Then he talked about a more serious problem. He said, "The cold war of the classrooms vs. students of Russia will determine the fate of the United States in the future history of the world."



TOMORROW NIGHT !!

PET PEEVES

By Don Lenhoff and Harry Sharp

Almost every member of the student body spends at least ten solid uninterrupted minutes a day doing nothing but griping.

This daily procedure begins on the very first day of school in September, and continues through the fall, winter, and spring months into that fateful day in June when Conrad's hallowed halls echo no longer with the gurgling offerings of its inhabitants.

Through the miracle of movable type, it is our pleasure now to air some of the problems of the average teen-ager at Conrad (although

after studying the list, it may be your opinion that the people who wrote these lastings words should be left out in the cold to air themselves . . . possibly for 6 to 7 years).

It may be further stated that the views expressed are not necessarily the views of the editors of Smoke Signal (view), and should not reflect on them in anyway whatsoever, heretofore, etc., etc., etc.

Jim Davis

"They don't pass out Chlorettes when subs are sold in the Cafeteria."

teria." (What (sniff, sniff) makes that so (sniff, sniff) important, Jim?)

Carol Stradley

"I don't care for the bells that ring before I can struggle into my seat. They make those detentions pile up fast." (Incidentally anyone interested in joining the "After 3:30 Club," see Miss Stradley for detailed instructions)

Bob Voorhees

"School" (What more can we say?)

Harris Fischer

"Teachers who use tests as a weapon, rather than tools." (Really . . . aim . . . study!!!)

U. N. AND OR BUST!

On February 4 fifteen Conrad students visited the United Nations Building in New York City. The trip was sponsored by the Student Council, and was conducted under the leadership of Mr. William Garfield.

The group left the B. & O. station at 8:30 a.m. along with about 300 other high school students from New Castle County. Emilia Martinez spent the trip making eyes at every boy who walked down the aisle. (She called them "old friends!") Jina Lautenkos took half the train trip trying to find her right seat. She finally ended

sembly Building and heart of the U.N.

The General Assembly was not in session so we sat in on a meeting of the Trusteeship Council. The delegates discussed a Trust Territory in Africa called Rohlunda Urundi. On the seats were headphones and little buttons. By turning these buttons we could hear what a person was saying in English, French, Russian, Spanish, Chinese, and in the speaker's native tongue.

Everyone who went learned what the U.N. stood for and realized that the United Nations is the one great hope for peace in our world.

Those who made the trip from Conrad were Ralph Alls, Charlie Bjed, Harold Cloud, Becky Hall, Barbara Hoagland, Uhla Lautenkos, Ted Lynam, Emilia Martinez, Barbara Miller, George Parris, Sam Simmons, David Smith, Bill Southam, Dolores Sullivan, and Rusty Taylor.

—Sam Simmons

SURVEY PROVED

Jean Ann Rowe was one of many to express gladness when the office finally realized THE radio station to listen to while we warmed up that deep-freeze day. After a lot of fumbling around with the Voice of Vineland and WTUX, which at last found Wilmington's Most Listened-to Station, WAMS.

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Carol Carter

"Lunch periods are entirely too short." (Would you please repeat that . . . and take that milk container out of your mouth!)

George Parris

"Someone wising off." (Old Chinese proverb say, "He who wises off last, take trip to see Mr. Buchanan.)

Peggy MacInnes

"Boys who need hair cuts." (Oh, Tony . . . Tony Curtis, I'd like you to meet Miss MacInnes.)

up right where she had started out. Everything settled down until the ferry rides across New York Harbor. Everyone got lost and got on the wrong bus. All the buses were headed for the U.N., so it didn't make much difference.

When we arrived at the U.N., we were briefed as to the purpose, powers, and functions of the United Nations. The main purpose of the U.N. is the settlement of world problems by peaceful means instead of war.

We were taken on a tour of the General Assembly Building by guides from many different countries. We saw the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Chamber, the Trusteeship Council Chamber, and the Security Council Chamber. That tall skinny building is not the main United Nations building. It is the Secretariat Building, merely an office building for the delegates. The low-domed building is the General As-

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Girls Split Season

So far this season the girls' basketball team, with but one game to go, has tied up their score. They have played six games—won 3 and lost 3. Linda Ambrose is the captain of the team this year and second highest scorer.

The forwards on the starting line-up for the varsity team are Linda Ambrose, Janet Austin, Nancy Bretz, and Doty Knotts. The starting guards on the varsity team are Bonnie Merrill, Peggy Collingwood, Elaine Kessel, and Ann Jones. Beverly Bried and Doris Elwood as forwards and Jean Ann Rowe and Barbara Graham as guards make valuable reserves for our varsity squad.

The J.V. starting line-up includes the forwards—Louise Maske, Evelyn Piazza, and Dale Leach—and the guards are Liz Mitchell, Karen Ellis, Carolyn Skipski, and Gina Borinsky. Reserves for the J.V. team are Doty Furdy, Shirley Donahue, Nancy Corrie, Carol MacDonald, and Doris Ivins as

forwards. The guards are Ginny Henretty, Paulette Bailey, Alice Watts, and Leta Martin.

Janet Austin leads the scoring for the varsity squad with 72 points. Linda Ambrose scored 63, Nancy Bretz 42, and Doty Knotts 24.

The girls have one more game to play with Claymont today. The games played so far this season are as follows:

Middletown 26	Middletown 31
Conrad 44	Conrad 30
Mt. Pleasant 52	Newark 32
Conrad 22	Conrad 48
A. I. duPont 28	William P. 39
Conrad 22	Conrad 51

J. V. TALK

The J. V. squad this year has furnished many interesting and thrilling prelims for loyal Redskin fans. These underclassmen with a record of 9 wins and 3 defeats, following the Feb. 14 contest with Newark, in the future may reign as one of Conrad's better varsity squads.

The team consists of 16 players and only six are juniors. The juniors include Jack Ruth, captain, along with Joe Harris, Tom Kolasinski, Tom Hanna, Dick Mavity and Bruce Clinton. Rounding out the squad are sophomores, Pete Cloud, Wayne Dahsen, Mike Brown, Dale Reiter, Ed Chiochi, John Caldwell, Buckley Wallace, Lee McMaster, Charles Lautenkos and Jim Barger.

Under the leadership of its

NEW COACH

Mr. Luther Jones, a teacher at Conrad for the past six years, has been named assistant baseball coach by Mr. Calvin Wood, director of physical education and athletics.

Mr. Jones brings to this new position experience gained in semi-pro leagues in Northern Pennsylvania.

According to Mr. Joseph A. Palermo, head baseball coach, the squad will begin training around March 15.

coach, Cal Wood, the team has put everything into an effort to finish with a winning record.

The wish of all junior varsity players is to be promoted to varsity ball. Pete Cloud and Joe Harris have fought their way up the line and through their determination have nabbed prominent roles under a new director.

The J. V. scores:

Conrad 20—K. Square	12
Conrad 55—Newark	40
Conrad 50—W.H.S.	30
Conrad 70—A.L.	43
Conrad 23—Mt Pleasant	47
Conrad 64—Sallies	54
Conrad 56—Claymont	29
Conrad 59—P.S.	55
Conrad 29—Sallies	42
Conrad 41—A.L.	33
Conrad 35—Mt. Pleasant	40
Conrad 63—Newark	40

TRACK FORECAST

Clear and Fast:
It's clear to see that this year we are definitely going to have a fast track team. Mr. Gormley's charges feel very confident that they will appear in the winner's circle very often. Some of the thinclads have started practicing already and will be out in full force when the weather breaks. (See picture.)

Sophomores are invited and urged to come out for this year's team. Since track is a very versatile sport, there are many positions still open. There are two new events this year, the 120 yard high and the 180 yard low hurdles.

Girls, Golf and Mr. Reist

Spring is near (meanwhile turn up the heat) and a young man's fancy turns to girls and . . . girls and spring sports. Let's talk about the latter just for a change.

One of the newer sports at Conrad is golf. This has been in existence for three years at Conrad under the supervision of Mr. Jay Hinnerschetsch. This year another advisor, Mr. Earl Reist, will be added to the staff.

Last year the Conrad team had a 4-6 record and placed fourth among six teams. Included among the teams were Mt. Pleasant, Record 10-0; P. S. duPont, A. I. duPont; Dover, and Sallies (who, incidentally finished behind Conrad). Newark will also be a possible entry this year (2 against each team). All of these matches are sponsored by the Delaware State Golfers' Association.

Mr. Hinnerschetsch explained that he is expecting great things from this year's team. He says he will rely on Ray Grechawick and Charles Lautenkos to be his 1-2 punch. He feels Charles Bried and Steve Spangier are unpredictable but good. He has 17 signed up for the squad, including three girls headed by Nancy Bretz.

Which brings us back to the subject of girls. . . .

My Old Jalopy

By Brech Kauffman, Grade 11

I own an old jalopy;
It sputters oil and makes me sloppy.

The motor sounds like a corn popper,
But it's always chased by some fast copper.

I work on it all day;
This makes my money go like, hey!

On cold mornings I was kidded
Cause it was so cold and frigid;
Now there is a top fitted,
And it has a heater in it.

Oh, my way to school
I heard them say, hey cool!

Even though it is so happy,
I love my old jalopy.

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The Winters' Circle

By Lew Winters

The basketball season is already nearing its climax—it seems like only yesterday that Conrad whipped Sallies.

This year's Redskin squad is considered as strong as its underclassmen can make it. The fact that their best performances are coming late in the season is explained by the fact that many of the boys were inexperienced and after the earlier contests they picked up the needed seasoning. With 5 Juniors and one sophomore holding prominent positions, many students are already overheard saying, "Wait! It's next year," and well they might for representing the underclassmen are the following: Nathan Cloud, 6 ft. 4 in's and still growing; Charles Neal, a boy who can really pull 'em down; Larry Purcell; Cary Kerrigan; Joe Harris; and the other half of the Cloud family, Pete, who is only a sophomore.

Senior Co-Captains have Toby Craig, who upset Sallies' fame, and Don Wallace, the Redskins' fine playmaker, represent the squad before each game in the role of co-captains. Other seniors on the 1958 edition are Bill Webster, Elwood Seales, Jack Dasher and Bob Spain.

Cartwright's "If Conferences"

All Cartwright of the Journal-Evening has had his public watching with interest at his simulacrum of what conferences in Delaware would be like. The name of the column, "If Conferences," shows that it is not an official interpretation, but it gives a good idea of what might be a reality in one or two years. Each public high school is put into a specific group. Conrad appears in group "A" along with P. S. duPont, Wilmington, Mt. Pleasant, Howard, Newark and William Penn. I believe the state of Delaware is capable of handling such conferences and they would bring the interest of the spectators and armchair fans to much greater heights. In high school athletics it is my belief that the students should have a big say in the actions as, after all, they are usually the biggest stock holders in a team's success. From the talk of friends and students I have been convinced that the majority of students would like to give the conferences a chance and see them recognized, with finals to crown a true state champion in all sports. No longer would there be any such thing as a "mythical champion." It would be ever so important, however, that the students uphold their sportsmanlike conduct even in the heat of an important conference game.

All-Opponent and All State

I've been following not only Conrad's schedule this season, but also the games of other state teams. As a result I've found names

coming up time after time and read of many sparkling performances. With the help of some varsity players I have picked a Conrad All-Opponent team, which follows:
Don Goldstein, P. S. duPont
Tommy Hall, Salesianum
Frank Shaban, Wilmington
Richard Murphy, Mt. Pleasant
Richard Rybinski, Wilmington
Each year the W.S.B.A. picks an All-State team. I don't mean to tread on their toes, but five boys who could represent the State well, follow:
Frank Shaban, Wilmington
Winfred Backus, Redding
Chester Townsend, Lord

Baltimore
Sonny Harris, Brown Vocational
Tommy Hall, Salesianum

Track

Talk has it that this year's track team will leave little for Coach Gormley to desire. We hope the rumors are true.

"Even if you don't participate in a sport, you still are a sport."



—Clark

Hi-Y — Basketball — F. F. A.

This year has been interest prevalent in Hi-Y and Future Farmers of America's basketball. On Monday nights from 6:30 to 9 p.m. the Hi-Y boys give the old basketball a workout under the supervision of their coach, Mr. George Brown. Thus far this season the Hi-Y "scoublers" have wins over the Conrad F.F.A. #9688, and the Cedar Methodist quintet 36-25 and 41-40. They have yet to taste defeat. Mr. Brown hopes to get a set schedule with other Hi-Y's in the area. Among them are officially scheduled are Wilmington and P. S. duPont. The first team consists of Lew Winters, Ted Lyman, Ray Costello, Ronnie Maddox, and Tom Carroll. Others include Howie Cloud, Charles Greig, Joshua Daine, and Ronnie Wolf. Any Hi-Y member can participate.

The F.F.A. holds its sessions in the Conrad gym every Wednesday night and is led by Mr. William Simpson, the F.F.A.'s boss. Following are getting victories. This year they have a 0-4 seasonal log, including the loss to the Hi-Y. This year the Future Farmers are

fortunate enough to participate in the County F.F.A. League. Other teams participating in this league are Louis L. Redding, Newark, and Alexis J. duPont. This been competition will bring a F.F.A. banner to the champion. The Varsity consists of Ken Holdren, George Harris, Tom Farrow, Jim Kirwin, Jim Ashby, Eugene Artois, and Ronnie McLucas. Rounding out the jayvees are John Fox, Howard Maclary, Bob Michener, Ron Collins, Bernard Figurrel, Orville Sapp, Francis Cox, and Bob Leasure.

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BASKETBALL REVIEW

For the first time since 1953 Conrad, under Coach Michael Vinosky, managed to defeat a basketball team turned out by Salesianum.

A brief recap of all the games up to this issue's deadline follows:
Woodcrest, Dec. 17.—Conrad opened the season with Kennett Square and appeared to have opening night jitters, but increased its 29-22 halftime edge in the final two periods. In the second half the Redskins' defense tightened to hold the Pennsylvanians to only 3 field goals.

Conrad 46—Kennett Square 38

Newark, Jan. 7.—With the scored tied at the end of three quarters, 40-40, Newark's Yellow jackets put on a final period spurt which carried them to their first victory of the new season.

Newark 52—Conrad 32

Wilmington, Jan. 10.—Frank and Richie Rybinski combined to total 45 points and led the Red Devils to a victory over Conrad.

Wilmington 54—Conrad 43

Woodcrest, Jan. 17.—Nathan Cloud's 20 point performance enabled Conrad to post their second victory of the campaign over an inferior 4-40-20 team.

Conrad 47—A. I. duPont 35

Delaware, Jan. 21.—Conrad managed their first upset of the season as they increased a 27-23 halftime advantage to down the Green Knights. Nate Cloud again led the attack with 18.

Conrad 56—Mt. Pleasant 49

Woodcrest, Jan. 24.—The stubborn Redskins led throughout the first half and most of the third quarter. The crowd grew more tense as each second ticked away and the Sallies began catching up. With three minutes left, Sallies, led by Tommy Hall, reached a five point lead and just drew away.

Sallies 61—Conrad 47

Woodcrest, Jan. 28.—Toby Craig and Larry Purcell combined for 33

points as Conrad squeezed out a victory over Claymont.

Conrad 59—Claymont 54

Woodcrest, Jan. 31.—A strong Dynamite offense and an equally strong scoring machine proved too great for the Redskins as they dropped their fourth of the year and their percentage to 500 percent.

P. S. duPont 53—Conrad 36

Wilmington, Feb. 4.—Many Conrad students were saying on this day, "Well, even if we can't beat Tom-let's go see the boys." No matter what the reason, those who did see that Conrad-Sallies game will never forget it. Sallies led throughout the game and were ahead 39-31 after three quarters. Toby Craig then started to move the Skins as they squared away their deficit and managed to halt the Salls attack greatly, then went on to win in what has been called the biggest basketball upset in Delaware this season.

Conrad 52—Sallies 46

Wilmington, Feb. 7.—Conrad went into this contest with its spirits high and was very confident after upsetting Sallies. The Redskins had little trouble in turning back A. I. duPont for the second time. Toby Craig hit his seasonal high by dunking 33 points in the basket.

Conrad 81—A. I. duPont 42

Woodcrest, Feb. 11.—Mt. Pleasant was boiling over with the urge to upset Conrad. The Green Knights' sharpshooters took every advantage of Conrad's mistakes and made enough of their own breaks to go on to win. Dick Murphy led the visitors with 23.

Mt. Pleasant 61—Conrad 41

Woodcrest, Feb. 14.—Newark up to this game had only one victory for the year and it came against Conrad (Jan. 7). The Redskins were out to avenge this loss and they did so easily. Toby Craig, along with Pete Cloud, combined to score 40 points.

Conrad 61—Newark 33

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