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IN  
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# EDITORIALS

## WORLD PEACE ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN

What can I, as an individual, contribute to world peace and understanding? Sounds like a big question, doesn't it?

During World War I a group of soldiers asked themselves this very question after seeing the destruction, torture, and death of war. They found the answer by forming and initiating the foreign exchange student program, the American Field Service Organization. Many hundreds of foreign teenagers, just like you and me, now come to this country each year in the hope that they may profit from the experience. You and I can also learn from these foreign exchange students about their country and way of living.

Now you, too, can help make this world a place in which all men may live in peace by sharing your home with a foreign student.

Does it cost anything for you to set an extra place at the table for an unexpected dinner guest? Is it any trouble to find room to sleep an out-of-town relative? Would it be too

much to share a little extra love and attention with a new brother or sister?

You may have obtained a new brother or sister, not just for his year's visit, but as a lifetime friend, if you make a home for a foreign exchange student from August to July. Contact Mrs. Henry C. Lautenklos in Woodcrest if you are interested in participating in this program. All it requires is that each member of your family has a little extra time, patience, love, and understanding to give a stranger in this country. The host family furnishes only room, board, and transportation for the student while in this country. Each student has an allowance for incidentals given by the American Field Service.

Let a foreign student become a member of your family, share in household chores, discussions, arguments, joys, problems, and fun, and you will be contributing more than you can realize to world peace and understanding.

## HAVE FAITH, WILL TRAVEL

The world would be stunted in its growth if it were not for faith. This motivating force which inspires men to strive for success plays an important role in the life of every person and in the progress of mankind.

The trust an infant has in its mother is the beginning of faith. The child has been instilled with faith which can either be nurtured or neglected. However, no human is born devoid of faith so the child's future is decided by the things and people in which he can believe and trust.

To have a feeling of security as a growing child will help him to become an emotionally healthy person. The child subjected to doubts and discrepancies will grow to be an

overly-inhibited and maladjusted adult. A limit will be placed on the child's success because he has few things in which he can believe.

The belief in a Supreme Being is a very important aspect of faith. Adults have been reared to worship One who is capable of all things. Therefore, they look to Him for assistance and communicate with Him through prayer.

People accept God because they realize that they were not created by an equal. The birds, earth, and trees are all evidence of one who is supreme and does not have an equal. Even individuals who profess a disbelief in God cannot say that trees are produced in a factory, so they,

therefore, have a belief of a sort.

The importance of faith can not be over-emphasized. When no faith is present, there is also no will to live. There would be no growing America if there had not been faith.

Hence, there would be no progress of any kind if there were not some motivation. There would only be insecurity and self-doubt, the results of lack of faith. There could be no going-forward because no one would have that essential virtue. So the answer to success lies in faith. Believe, and you will find yourself trying harder.

## WHOM DO YOU SUPPORT- AND HOW?

Where were you the nights Conrad played Newark, Wilmington High and Salesianum in football? At the games? We should hope most of you were! But where were the rest? At home, probably, propped up in front of that mighty magnet, the television, or out with Dad's new car, hot-rodding up and down the hi-and-bi-ways. That was no way to keep our Redskins' homefires burning brightly.

Think back to early October, Harry, the Hot-Rodder, was the one who grumbled the loudest because our football team wasn't the greatest. (But you never came to the games and cheered with the rest of us, Harry.) "A lost cause..."; "they're not much..." This was Sheena, the T. V. screener's perennial excuse.

Well, another day, a different dollar, and Conrad now has a winning basketball team—a team which has been playing to "standing room only" crowds. Conradian cheers (and we hope we don't mean boing which is one part of the American Teenager's abbreviated lingo that should be kept strictly for Halloween—not for the teams and referees, regardless of the situation), can be heard echoing up and down the corridors of our Alma Mater. School spirit now appears to be overwhelming.

Undoubtedly, this roaring approval from the entire student body has helped keep our team out in front. But if some night victory slips from our grasp, don't let defeat crumple our spirit. Everyone loves a winner, but let's back ALL OUR TEAMS, win, lose or draw.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## HARRY SHARP

has won this year's "I Speak for Democracy" Contest at Conrad. The 12th grader's original and effectively delivered essay, matched against fourteen other entrants' taped speeches, was judged best by Mr. Malcolm Baird, head of the English Department, Mrs. Elizabeth Webber and Mrs. Irene Long earlier this month.

## JOSHUA BAINE

is the newly-elected captain of the 1959 non-varcity Hi-Y basketball team which has been winning victories right and left. Any Hi-Y member is eligible to play in the Wednesday night matches coached by Mr. George Brown.

## WINNING JAYVEE TEAM

Members of Mr. Cal Wood's winning J.V. boys' basketball team this year are Lee McMaster, Ed Chocki, Bill Cooke, John Shew, Don Becker, Roger Goldyn, Bill Coplin, Pete Frederick, Jay Parthemore, Jim Barger, Joe Coney, Don Wallace, Ron Bianco, Larry Short and Ken Frederick.

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## The LAST of the LOWRIES'

By Paul Greene is now in rehearsal as the Sock and Buskin Club's entry in the Delaware Play Festival on April 9 and 10. The play will be given for the student body on the evening of April 3, along with two other one-act plays—Tennessee Williams' "The Case of the Crushed Petunias," and Conrad Seiter's farce, "Why I Am a Bachelor." The productions will be directed by Mr. Donald F. Morgan. A Sock and Buskin Club initiation and party is being planned for next month.

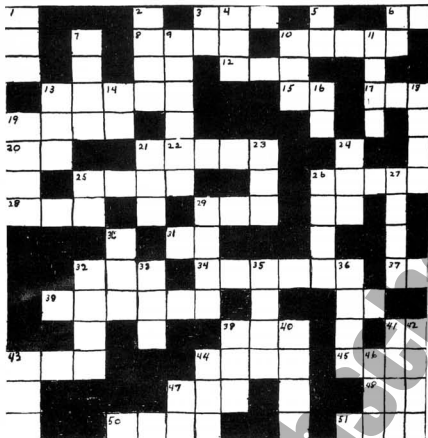
## CLYDE PRESTOWITZ

is Conrad's representative at the Junior Chamber of Commerce's judging of the best high school entries in the "My True Security" essay contest sponsored for seniors. Jack Crelling's entry was selected as runner-up by the English Department's contest-judging committee. Scholarship help will be given national winners.

# PUZZLE CORNER

## Teacher of the Month

### MISS EIPPER



Across

Down

3. concealed from sight
6. United Nations (Abbreviation)
8. a container for holding liquids
10. material used to conceal face (plural)
12. a wreath of flowers
13. small, hard elevations of skin
15. education (Abbreviation)
17. cry of a crow
19. long slender piece of wood
20. opposite of out
21. statement of belief
22. bamboolike grass
25. to strike one's toe
26. two or more taxis
28. "to \_\_\_\_\_ is human; to forgive divine"
29. a preserve
31. iron
32. a person (slang)
34. a city in Northwestern Ohio
37. negative answer
38. to move slowly, as a baby
39. punch
41. "Wizard of \_\_\_\_\_"
43. Supreme Being
44. mud
45. a knot
47. a girl's name
48. conjunction
50. a sarcastic remark
51. Roman emperor

1. falling of the tide
2. a petty quarrel
3. exclamation of greeting; hello
4. sick
5. Maine (Abbreviation)
6. objective case of "we"
7. Small vessel for liquids
9. to engross wholly
10. to contend for superiority
11. "Chantilly \_\_\_\_\_"
13. Past tense of win
14. syllable which is second tone of scale
16. Doctor (Abbreviation)
18. artificial coverings on heads
19. an evergreen tree
21. cow's food
23. not bright
24. to outlaw
25. senior (Abbreviation)
26. rear or back
27. furnace which bakes clay
29. planes
30. to repent
32. a grating
33. desire
35. one who tells untruths
36. plural of ox
39. boy's nickname
40. a vegetable
41. a smell
42. figure below one
43. slang for gun
44. to plan
47. Greek letters

Now that all of the sports-minded people around Conrad have turned their attention to basketball, Miss Doris Eipper has become the Teacher of the Month, since basketball is her favorite sport and her efforts are helping make girls' sports successful at Conrad.

Miss Eipper has lived in Delaware all of her life and attended Marshallton Junior High School. At Marshallton she played on her first basketball team and it was there that she became more sports-conscious. After graduating from Marshallton she attended Alexis I. duPont High School where she participated in hockey and softball. She was the highest scorer on the basketball team in her senior year. It was in her senior year of high school that she decided to become a physical education teacher.

She attended the University of Delaware where she majored in physical education.

Although it hardly seems possible that she would have any free time after she has finished teaching her regular school day, along with managing the cheerleaders, she does find time to enjoy trap shooting, bowling and many other sports. In 1952 she won the Women's Trap Shooting Championship of Delaware.

Our Teacher of the Month spent several summers working as a camp counselor in a camp in Massachusetts, but don't think for one moment that she was broken away from sports, because on this job she taught all types of land sports along with swimming and canoeing.

Miss Eipper has urged students to "come out and enjoy all the games, boys' and girls'", but while doing this let's limit our excitement, and cheer, rather than boo. Remember it's your own school's name and reputation that you're ruining when you catcall referees or the other team."

Best advice possible from Conrad's Teacher of the Month!



(SOLUTION IN NEXT ISSUE)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JANUARY

- Friday, 30 - Basketball, P.S. duPont, away.  
 Saturday, 31 - Smoke Signal Dancing Party featuring King Richard and the Knights 8:00 to 11:00 (free refreshments).

## FEBRUARY

- Tuesday, 3 - Basketball, Sallies, home, 6:30.  
 Wednesday, 4 - Girls' basketball game, Newark, away. Hi-Y basketball, 6:30.  
 Friday, 6 - Varsity "C" Club meeting, 10:00 to 11:30 P.M.; after game dance. Basketball, A.L. duPont, home.  
 Saturday, 7 - Parent-Teacher-Association Dancing Party for all students. (Free refreshments.)  
 Tuesday, 10 - Basketball, Mt. Pleasant, away.  
 Wednesday, 11 - Girls' basketball game, Wm. Penn. home. Hi-Y basketball, 6:30.  
 Friday, 13 - Basketball, Wm. Penn. home, 6:30.  
 Saturday, 14 - Hi-Y Valentine's Day Sweethearts' Dance, 8:00 to 11:00.  
 Tuesday, 17 - Building Commission meeting, 7:30 P.M. Basketball, P.S. duPont, home, 6:30.  
 Wednesday, 18 - Girls' basketball, Claymont, away. Hi-Y basketball, 6:30.  
 Thursday, 19 - Basketball, Wilmington, away.  
 Monday, 23 - State Evaluation of Conrad. (Classes and school plant will be inspected and evaluated.)  
 Tuesday, 24 - State Evaluation of Conrad (continued.) Basketball, Brandywine, away.  
 Wednesday, 25 - Senior High Choral Festival in Auditorium. Hi-Y Basketball, 6:30.  
 Friday, 27 - Basketball, Claymont, away.  
**MARCH**  
 Tuesday, 3 - Basketball, Wm. Penn. away.  
 Wednesday, 4 - Hi-Y basketball, 6:30.

# Today's Science

This issue's science column is dedicated to explaining some of the names and terms that have come into common usage since the launching of Sputnik I last year.

**AIR FRICTION:** the friction caused by air molecules, only noticeable at extremely high speeds.

**ATLAS:** an eighty foot intercontinental ballistic missile with a speed of Mach 15 and a range of 5,500 miles which recently was orbited as our largest satellite.

**BELL X-15:** an experimental research rocket plan scheduled to be the first manned rocket into space.

**BOOSTER ENGINE:** an auxiliary engine that gives the rocket its initial thrust before the main engine takes over. It may or may not be dropped off in the rocket's flight.

**CAPE CANAVERAL:** the main launching site for our nation's missiles in Florida.

**ESCAPE VELOCITY:** the speed necessary for an object to escape the earth's gravity—approximately 25,000 M.P.H.

**EXPLORER:** the name given to the Army's pencil-shaped satellites launched by the Jupiter-C missile.

**"G'S":** the amount of force equal to the earth's gravity.

**ICBM:** Intercontinental Ballistic Missile whose range is about 5,000 miles.

**IGY:** International Geophysical Year: eighteen months between July 1957 and December 1958, devoted to international exploration of the planet Earth.

**IRBM:** Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile whose range is about 1,500 miles.

**JUPITER-C:** an Army missile used to launch the Explorer Satellites.

**LUNIK:** the recent Russian rocket which passed the moon and is now the first man-made planet orbiting the sun.

**MACH:** the speed of sound—approximately 760 M.P.H.

**MOONPROBE:** a satellite launched toward the moon in an attempt to explore it.

**ORBITING:** flight around the earth at a speed in which the centrifugal (outward) force equals the force of gravity, so that the orbiting object does not fall to earth.

**SATELLITE:** any object which revolves around the Earth. Examples: Our Moon and Explorer III. **SPUTNIK:** the name given to Russia's earth satellites.

**TELEMETERING:** a radio code used to broadcast information by varying the frequencies and intervals used in our earth satellites.

**THRUST:** the forward force in a rocket that is produced by the discharge of gases from the rocket exhaust.

**THOR:** a sixty-five foot IRBM with a speed of Mach 10 and a range of 1,500 miles.

**VANGUARD:** a seventy-five foot Navy rocket used in launching earth satellites.

## \$100 SCHOLARSHIP

will be awarded by the Varsity "C" Club to the senior boy who has the most varsity letters and an 80 or better average, according to Mr. Michael Visnovsky, faculty advisor. To earn a Varsity "C" jacket an athlete must have earned two letters in one sport or three letters in any sport. 1959 officers are Nate Cloud, president; Mike Brown, vice-president; Roy Jernigan, secretary; Dan Cecil, treasurer; and Ken Holdren, sergeant-at-arms. The club is sponsoring this year's popular after-the-dance basketball games.

## SUPPER CLUB

Sponsored by Miss Mabel Conway's Future Homemakers of America. This newly-organized club has the following officer roster for 1959: Jeanette Connell, president; Bonnie Ward, vice-president; Helga Glaesel, treasurer; Sandy Rager, secretary. The menu committee includes Joan Galbraith, Karen Brzozowski, Patti Briggs, Carol Cronney, and Linda Sullivan.

## ENTER THE 1959 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

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\$10,000

# Reward Offered

FOR INFO LEADING  
TO MORE RECOGNITION  
OF  
TWO PUBLIC ASSETS  
NO. 1



"PAT"



Bill  
Nave

"SID"

**WANTED:** Patricia Hall and Sidney Clark (alias "Pat" and "Sid") or more people like them!

**FOR:** Doing bang-up jobs as editor-in-chief of the Conradian and as editor-in-chief of the Smoke Signal, respectively.

**DESCRIPTION:** Patricia: 4'10", petite, sandy blonde hair, blue eyes. Dangerous! Armed with a charming personality!  
Sidney: 5' 7", brown hair, brown eyes. Wears glasses to look scholarly, but beware! Marvelous wit beneath disguise!

**CONVICTED OF:** Hard work, intelligence, and perseverance.

**SUSPECTED OF:** Being among those students most likely to bring credit to Conrad High School.

**CHARGED WITH:** Master-minding the many-sided activities of the busy Conradian yearbook and Smoke Signal Monthly crews.

**INTERROGATION:** When questioned separately, Pat and Sid admitted the following, according to Jane Sarius, features Co-editor:

**Question:** Give a brief resume of your position. What do you do as editor-in-chief?

**Pat:** "It's my job to make sure the theme is developed throughout the yearbook, to keep my finger on what the staff editors are doing and to help them if they have any problems, and

to write the foreword."

**Sid:** "The first thing is to make sure the paper comes out. That involves planning or getting ideas, assignments, cracking the whip, selling advertisements, copy-reading, planning with the printer (mostly cutting prices), proof-reading, and finally, doing the layout and writing the headlines."

**Question:** What do you think is the hardest part of your job?

**Pat:** "The hardest part is rushing to meet our deadlines."

**Sid:** "The hardest things are selecting stories suitable for publication, deciding which articles and contributions can't be printed solely because of lack of money, and giving the proper emphasis with illustrations and layout."

**Question:** What do you enjoy most about your job?

**Pat:** "The fun of working with cooperative students toward a common goal."

**Sid:** "Hanging around the print shop and working with the layout."

**Question:** How did you become interested in journalism?

**Pat:** "I worked on the summer supplement of '58. The editors were chosen after it was completed."

**Sid:** "In my sophomore year I volunteered to take pictures for the Smoke Signal. Then I be-

came more and more involved in the newspaper's production."

**Question:** What are your hobbies?

**Pat:** "I like to sew, roller-skate, swim (although I don't know how!), and play ping-pong."

**Sid:** "I take pictures to excess (you might say that I'm addicted to photography!), and play badminton."

**Question:** What are your plans for college?

**Pat:** "I plan to attend the University of Delaware to become an elementary school teacher. I'm going to live on the campus."

**Sid:** "I may attend Harvard, Dickinson, or the University of Delaware. I'll major in physics."

**Question:** What are your other school activities this year?

**Pat:** "I'm in the Oreads, and am also President of the Future Teachers of America."

**Sid:** "My other two activities besides Smoke Signal are working on the staff of the Conradian and doing homework."

**NOTE:** During the intensive interrogation neither of the accused invoked the Fifth Amendment, but gave their answers freely and willingly. —J.S.

## VALENTINE DANCE

- WHO:** Conrad Hi-Y  
**WHAT:** Valentine's Day Sweethearts Dance  
**WHERE:** Conrad Gym  
**WHEN:** Saturday, February 14, 8-11 P.M.  
**WHY:** To raise money for Y.M.C.A. world service and help bring foreign exchange students to Conrad next September.  
**HOW:** Live rock 'n roll for listening - best in pop records for dancing.

### COUPLES ONLY

\$1.50 per couple

Party Dresses - Girls

Coat and Tie - Boys

We do not furnish dates

BUT

everything else is on the house

Organized and planned by Harry Bratton and other officers and members of the Hi-Y assisted by Mr. Malcolm Baird, Mr. George Brown and Mr. Fred Hanna, executive secretary of the Southwest Y.M.C.A.

## SOPHOMORE'S COMPLAINT

According to Dorothy Perry, sophomore reporter for Smoke Signal, there ought to be a giant closet for 10th graders to hide in until the upper-classmen leave school at the end of 7th period. It breaks sophomore hearts to see all those juniors and seniors so eager to leave school by 1:45, and it breaks their necks to try to get to their lockers while the mad rush in the hallway is going on.

## ONE FROSTY MORNING

Two oversized and frozen sophomores were passengers on the 10:00 a.m. school bus. Mrs. Hoff and Mrs. Squerciati looked as though they really needed the lift that the bus driver donated, no questions asked!

## ASK MISS POWELL

Where the new chamber orchestra is going to hold rehearsals. (According to her version of the bulletin it's scheduled for Mr. George's bedroom, not band room.)

## QUEEN, FETED AT GALA CHRISTMAS DANCE



QUEEN OF THE CHRISTMAS DANCE AND HER COURT -- top, Susan Skinner, top row - Pat Hendrick, Nancy Harvey, Peggy MacInnes, Carol Carew. Bottom row - Bonnie Merrill, Peggy Glass, Nancy White, Sue Vincent, Rose Ann Reid.



RECEPTION LINE -- Principal-Darrell F. Long, Mrs. Long, and Sidney Clark, managing editor of SMOKE SIGNAL MONTHLY, greet guests.

# KODAK ANNOUNCES 1959 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Camera-toting gals and guys are reminded that it is still not too late to enter the Kodak High School Photo Contest for 1959. The Contest closes March 31, but pictures taken since last April 1, are eligible. At Conrad the contest is being co-sponsored by Smoke Signal and the best entries will be printed in subsequent issues if they are left in Room 205.

To help you get into the winners' circle, the sponsors are providing two helpful pieces of literature which tell what to look for when you go out with your camera, where to look for it, how to shoot it, and what to do with the pictures once you have taken them. One is a booklet showing last year's winners, the other is a fact-packed sheet of "Contest Cues."

The number of prizes this year has been increased to 328. Top prizes in the senior division (grades 11 and 12) will be \$400, \$300, and \$200 in each of the four contest categories. Parallel top prizes in the junior group (grades 9 and 10) will be \$300, \$200, and \$100.

Subject matter is unlimited, but for purposes of judging and to provide categories for ideas, four classes are listed in the rules. They are: (1) School Activities; (2) People (no school pictures); (3) Pictorials; and (4) Animals and Pets. Just about any picture a camera-happy photo fan can dream up will fit into one of these categories. Black-and-white pictures only are eligible.

There will be national recognition and salon honors for those whose photos are in the exhibit which tours the nation's schools.

Contest details and specific rules are posted on the bulletin board in Room 205. Contestants can get more information by writing Kodak High School Photo Contest, Rochester 4, New York.

## WHAT'S A COLLEGE BOARD? duPonter TELLS ALL

Being a senior is glamorous and exciting. That's what they tell you when you're a junior. Oh, it's fun to talk about college, careers and going away; but before you can think of college these days, you must think of College Boards.

What is a College Board? Well, first of all it's not made out of wood; it's made out of paper. Literally closets full of paper. It just goes to prove that people aren't going to take your word for it; they want to find out on black and white how little you really know.

About a month before the time to take the test, the typical senior suddenly realizes he should start to study. Study? Ha! This poor chap has to cram in one month, seventeen years of knowledge that he never

learned. You say it can't be done? You're right.

After being told to calm down, because only his future depends upon the test, the day finally arrives, and the senior, once a happy-go-lucky individual, is transformed into a jittery, empty-headed lump of molecules.

The shaking senior enters the testing room. Everything is quiet and secretive. As a matter of fact the only thing that is lacking is an isolation booth. After the first half hour, which it took for him to break the seal and get to the test, our senior suddenly realizes that he would rather be a freshman after all.

P.S. duPont High School "Clarion,"  
Dec. 23, 1958

## HISTORIC CABIN DISCOVERED ON DICKINSON SCHOOL SITE



This CENTURIES — old log cabin located on the site of the new John Dickinson High School on Milltown Road, now being transferred to the jurisdiction of the Smithsonian Institute, will be the subject of a special feature story in the next issue of SMOKE SIGNAL MONTHLY. Watch for it!



—Ben Carey

## PERSONALITIES: CONRAD'S BIG FIVE IN BASKETBALL

Since Conrad boasts one of the best basketball teams in many a year, the sports editors felt an investigation of the "Big Five" was definitely in order. If you are interested in Conrad's "Big Five" - Nate, Pete, Charlie, Mike and Wayne - read on.

### NATE

The biggest gun of all is Nate Clout, a 6' 5" senior. From his center position he leads the team in shooting and rebounding. He is also a defensive wizard at blocking shots. Besides being active in basketball, he has also won letters in cross country and baseball, where he played third base. He is also a member of the Varsity "C" Club. Nate is a product of Krebs Junior High where he played varsity basketball and baseball. Other activities that kept him busy in junior high were being vice-president of the Student Council and sports editor of the yearbook. When it comes time to pick the "All State" players, watch for Nate's name.

### PETE

Next is Pete, Nathan's younger, but just as able, brother. As a forward, Pete scores many points. Besides winning his varsity letter in basketball last year, a rare fete for a sophomore, he was on the baseball squad and this year he participated in cross country. Also Pete is kept busy being president of the Junior Class, a member of the Student Council,

and a member of the Varsity "C" Club. Although this schedule seems to leave little time for the books, Pete maintains a high academic average. Before graduating from Krebs Junior High in 1957, Pete played varsity basketball and baseball, was vice-president of his class and was vice-president of the Student Council. At the next game watch Pete, and you will know that next year's team will be a good one.

### CHARLIE

The third member of the "Big Five" is Charlie Neal. Charlie is in his second year of varsity basketball. From his guard position he scores many points with a deadly jump shot and is a good playmaker. Last year he played varsity baseball as well as basketball. Charlie is also a member of the Varsity "C" Club. Charlie, too, is a product of Krebs Junior High where he played basketball and baseball. He was a member of the industrial arts club there, and participated in intramural sports. If you want to watch a guard who consistently scores in double figures, watch Charlie.

### MIKE

The next member of the "Big Five" is Mike Brown. Mike is in his first year of varsity basketball and is a good ball-handler and shooter. Mike

is also interested in football, where he was chosen a second team "All Conference" halfback and co-captain of next year's team, and track, where he won state wide fame for his quarter mile. He is state quarter-mile champion.

Besides being successful in sports, Mike is also treasurer of the Junior Class-juniors, your money is in good hands-and a member of the Varsity "C" Club. Mike is a graduate of Ab-salom Jones Junior High where he was a stellar performer in sports, president of the Student Council, and vice-president of his class.

Next spring you will be missing something if you don't come to a track meet and watch Mike run the quarter mile.

### WAYNE

The last, but by no means least, member of the Conrad quintet is Wayne Dabson. Wayne is a forward and his "Shot to Watch," is a jump shot which is deadly. Wayne is also active in football where he is first string end. He, too, is a graduate of Krebs Junior High where he was a member of the Student Council and participated in varsity basketball. Watch Wayne next year on the grid-iron.

If you want to see the best in high school basketball, come watch Conrad's quintet, "The Big Five." Don't be the person who always asks the score the next morning.

## WRESTLING TEAM ORGANIZED ON INTRAMURAL BASIS

Wrestling is finally coming to Conrad under the sponsorship of Mr. Jesse Malin and Mr. George Brown. Although wrestling will only be on an intramural basis this year, by next year the sponsors hope this sport will be added to the Conrad varsity program. Wrestling is on the athletic program of every school in the Blue Hen Conference except Wilmington High and Conrad.

Since this is the first year of wrestling for the boys of Conrad, they are learning the holds and the basic fundamentals of the sport. Because of gym classes and basket-

ball practice, the boys have been using part of the cafeteria for their matches. They have been working with weights to condition themselves. Since the club is new and regular wrestling mats have not yet been purchased, the boys have been practicing on gym mats. Guest speakers will discuss their experiences in the sport so the boys can learn by listening as well as by doing.

Contrary to popular belief, size is not a factor in wrestling, since contestants are matched according to weight. This can readily be seen by glancing at the roster below which

lists boys of varying shapes and sizes. The wrestling club roster includes: John Caldwell, Jack Naudain, Ronald Millelot, Don Wills, Joel Weaver, Jim Vincent, Fred Loveless, Les Kersteter, Howard Maclary, Orville Sapp, Joe Cavalier, Jim Hamilton, Bob Malish, Tom Hogate, Harold Hildreth, Robert Burns, Ted Me-gonigal, James Collins, Martin Halvorsen and Wilmer Abbott.

Although it is now too late to join the wrestling club this year, there will be another opportunity to participate starting in September.

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## What was your New Year's Resolution?

**John Caldwell** - To take out a different girl every night.

**Virginia Brown** - To try to get up earlier and get to school on time, at least once in awhile.

**Charles Christy** - To stay off girls for good!

**Catherine Kyritsis** - To meet new friends and influence people.

**Margaret Seitz** - To make my New Year's resolution time next year and stick to my guns.

**Winnie Buzinskis** - To get in a little more Shakespeare this year. (Wow!)

**Bill Luck** - 1) To make all A's this year. 2) To break my first

resolution.

**Bob Voorhees** - No comment.

**Barbara Hurlley** - If I made any resolution it wouldn't be the kind I'd tell.

**Beverly Slutter** - Not to make fun of my mother's wedding hat.

**Mickey Ross** - Not to let dinner burn while I'm watching Bandstand.

**Clyde Prestowitz** - I never want to get my choir robe mixed up with Sam Simmons' again.

**Sue Wilson and Sam Simmons** - We resolve to save money by staying home more often at night-together!

## Dancing Party Tomorrow Night Features Former Hurricanes, D.J. TOO!

**DON'T** plan on attending tomorrow night's informal (dressy school clothes) dancing party in the gym, if you only want to waltz and do the minuet.

**DON'T** plan on getting in on all the fun if you're an enemy of Dick Clark, The Playboys, The De John Sisters, and the Three Little Bakers, as one of the featured attractions of the evening will be *King Richard and the Knights* (formerly known as the Hurricanes) who have hob-nobbed professionally with such stars as these.

**DON'T** show up tomorrow night (8:00 to 11:00) if you prefer the two-step to real rock 'n roll with a different sound—Dick (tenor sax), Lou (fender bass), Joe (guitar), Paul (Hammond organ), and Richie (drums).

**DON'T** come near the gym if you're terrified by Joe Charnik's accordion polkas or upset emotionally by Carol McDonald's

and Lois Harvey's frantic singing.

**DON'T** bring 75¢ for a ticket (75¢ per person) if you dislike to dance to professionally-rendered popular recordings spun by disc jockey Bob Parris with patter by Emcee, Van Tribuani.

**DON'T** make it a date if you hate to eat—there'll be free refreshments for all (including cokes, cookies, pretzels, etc.)

**DON'T** arrive if you hate free door prizes and other surprises in store for dancers throughout the evening.

**BUT DO COME** if you want to have the time of your life at Conrad (and, incidently, help SMOKE SIGNAL to continue publication).

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## LIZ MITCHELL IS BASKETBALL CAPTAIN

LIZ MITCHELL, a senior here at Conrad, has been chosen as the captain of the girls' basketball team for this season. Before coming to Conrad, Liz attended Krebs Junior High School. She has risen quickly in just two years of basketball to the top position on the team. She was also the captain of the varsity hockey team this year and is president of the Student Leaders Corps, vice-president of the Oreads and state secretary of the Future Homemakers of America organization. Her other activities include membership in the Student Council and the Senior Class Executive Council.

When asked her opinion of split-sessions she replied that she didn't mind them, except that they interfere with basketball practice, which now does not begin until 4:30 and continues until 6:30. Quite a long day for the junior and senior girls who come at 7:30 in the morning!

**BONNIE MERRILL**, another team member, was also interviewed by SMOKE SIGNAL. Also a senior, Bonnie came to Conrad from Krebs. She is a guard and the tallest member of the squad. She has been playing basketball for six years. Bonnie also plays softball and is interested in music. She is the band secretary and secretary of the Future Nurses Club. Also, Bonnie is a member of the Student Council, and is an honor student.

Senior, **JANET AUSTIN**, the third member of the team interviewed, also feels that the split-sessions interfere with basketball practice. Janet is a forward on the team and was the top scorer in the Conrad-Middletown game on January 16, with 10 points. A feature story on Janet Austin can

be found in the October-November 1958 issue of SMOKE SIGNAL.

## Eight Cheers

What a thrill when the whole student body bursts into a loud cheer! The cheerleaders are at it again, doing their bit to help make our basketball season successful.

Coached by Miss Doris Elpper, the varsity and junior varsity squads have tried to promote school spirit and enthusiasm by conducting pep rallies usually held before each game for the purpose of learning new cheers and reviewing old ones as well as stirring Conradians' emotions.

Each year girls displaying coordination, making a good appearance, and having a good quality of voice are chosen by qualified judges.

This year's varsity squad is all new except for Susan Skinner, the Captain. It is comprised of eight girls including Pat Hendrik, Co-Captain, Barbara Carty, Beverly Roberts, Carol Jordan, Georgeanne Gregg, Terry Henretty and Anne Pearson. The varsity squad practice three times a week in order to learn more cheers and to get ready for the pep rallies and games.

There were approximately 50 girls that tried out for the junior varsity squad. Out of these 50 girls eight had to be chosen. It was a tough decision for the judges to make; but finally, after an hour and a half, they chose the following: Jane Dillman, Ruth Collins, Carol Ruth, Jo Ann Nowak, Gina Borinsky, Nancy Eaton, Ingrid Magnusson and Sherrell Cooper.

## GIRLS SQUELCH MIDDLETOWN IN OPENER

The girls' varsity basketball team began its season with a victory over Middletown High, 30-24. Seniors Janet Austin with 15 points and Evelyn Piazza with 8 were the leading scorers. Four additional points were contributed by Beverly Bried and 2 by Dale Leach. Other members of the squad are captain, Liz Mitchell, Bonnie Merrill, Karen Ellis, Leta Martin, Louise Maske, and Phyllis Boulden.

The J. V. team also walloped their opponents by scoring 29 points over

Middletown's 13. The starting line-up included forwards, Nancy Corrie, Carol MacDonald, and Karen Gardner, and guards, Gina Borinsky, Alice Watts, and Paulette Bailey. Reserves for the J.V. Squad were Gloria Smith, Dean Crelling, Joan Gooden, Faye Ellington, Judy Maxwell, Janet Moon-ey, Barbara Hurley, Judy Rice, and Linda Chillas.

The girls are looking forward to a good season with Miss Doris Elpper as their coach.

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## Lineup by Lenhoff

"Things look good", was the optimistic comment made by Conrad's coach, Michael Visnovsky, before our basketball season opened this month. Well, apparently he was right because our rampaging Redskins have gone literally wild over Kennett Square 57-48; Newark 76-53; Wilmington 61-39; and Brandywine 59-19. The latter three are conference foes, and thus they had put Conrad by the middle of January on the top rung of the "Blue Hen Conference" ladder with a 3-0 log.

### VARSITY TEAM

This year's varsity team is a towering one consisting of a starting array of Nathan Cloud, our 6'5" center; brother Pete, 6'3"; Wayne Dabson, 6'3"; Charlie Neal, 6'; and Mike Brown, 5'11". For depth, seniors Jack Ruth and Tom Kolasinski, 5'8" and 5'10" respectively, form our top reserve power. Others on the squad are juniors Jim Barger, Lee McMaster, Bill Coplin, John Shew, and Ed Chocki.

### CONFERENCE PREDICTIONS

In the "Blue Hen Conference" Pierre S. duPont has been labeled as "the team to beat." But don't forget our own Redskins. Based upon seeing most of our opponents in play earlier this season and on comments of the students of the various schools, I predict an almost unbeatable season of 16 victories and 1 defeat for Conrad. The two frays with P.S. duPont loom as our toughest and one of them could result in a loss. Salesianum also is riding high, as usual, and although they are winning, they haven't looked up to par in early outings. Almost everyone is looking for a double Redskin victory over the Sallies this year. In the "Blue Hen Conference" my predictions are: *Conrad Redskins* and the *P.S. duPont Dynamiters*, co-champions; *Mount Pleasant*, 3rd; *William Penn*, 4th; *Newark*, 5th; *Wilmington*, 6th; and *Brandywine* filling the cellar.

Here is the outlook on our "Blue Hen" foes this season: *P.S. duPont*—the "team to beat." With the exception of one operative, the "Dynahts" have the same array back this season that compiled a 15-2 seasonal log last winter. Watch out for veterans Richard McElmoyle, Donald Goldstein, and Orville Crab-



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tree. Crabtree and McElmoyle are always big scoring threats and Goldstein is a fine playmaker. And let's not forget Steve Saville 6'2" and Robert Baker 6'11" with their splendid rebounding.

*Mount Pleasant*, along with Conrad, rates as a top contender. The Green Knights have a well-balanced team, one of the best in the conference. They have a good 1-2 scoring punch in Bratt Sneed and Ray Dougan. Another player to keep a watchful eye on is sophomore Warren Hayes.

*William Penn*—has height but lacks scoring punch. William Penn, along with Conrad, has the tallest team in the conference but they lack scoring power. The trio of William Reader, Glen Waters, and Donald Karl should decide whether the Colonials will have a winning season or a losing one.

*Newark*—could improve—if mistakes are corrected. The Yellowjackets have big guns in Carl Rice and Gene Waller. So far this year, they have been hit hard in their opening games, due mostly to their own mistakes in ball-handling. They are certainly a better team than they have indicated. Watch for some victories to pile up in their direction if they settle down.

*Wilmington High*—lacks height, just to make things rough. Lack of height and the loss of Richie Rybinski has spelled "rough going" for the Red Devils this year. They are the smallest team in the league, boasting only one six-footer on the squad. The remaining players range from 5'7" and up. Rybinski, who was to be their top player and star this year, has a job and decided not to participate in basketball this season. Last year he had a 20-plus point per game average. Wilmington will place their hopes chiefly in Joseph Crockett and Frank Lesniczak for a successful campaign.

*Brandywine* — lacks experience — no senior class. Brandywine, the infant of the "Blue Hen Conference", still has another year to go before they reach the stage where they will have a senior class. Monte Kennedy will probably lead the team this year in its fight to reach the high status of its other "Blue Hen" foes.

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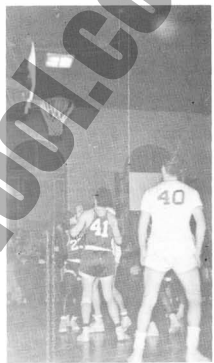
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# Redskins on

The Cloud brothers, Pete and Nate, have sparked their team to a five-game winning streak by connecting for 158 points between them, as of the middle of January.



## KENNETT SQUARE

Conrad started the 1958-59 season with a non-conference game against Kennett Square. The Redskins invaded Kennett and walked off with a 57-48 victory. Our team enjoyed a 28-15 lead at halftime and had no trouble maintaining the lead for the rest of the game. Pete and Nate Cloud led the attack by hitting for 21 and 12 points respectively, Charlie Neal, Mike Brown, Wayne Dabson and Tom Kolasinski assisted them by racking up 24 points. The very lively J.V. preliminary game was also taken by Conrad by a score of 44 to 18.

## NEWARK

The Redskins' first conference game was with the Yellow Jackets of Newark. The Newark High School snipers gave Conrad a run for its money the first half. Carl Rice of Newark sunk a barrage of shots and wrapped up 23 points, but he was no match for the ever-ready Redskins. Charlie Neal proved his skill, playing a good defensive as well as an offensive game. He gave Conrad 18



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# Winning Streak

points, while the Redskins romped to victory, sidetracking the Yellow Jackets 76-53. As usual the Cloud brothers gave a sterling performance, racking up 46 points together. Assistance from Jack Ruth, Mike Brown, and Wayne Dabson accounted for 22 points. The pre-game activity was won by Conrad's J.V. team 42-23.

## WILMINGTON

The Redskins' quintet was slated to beat Wilmington High School due to a lack of height on the opponent's team. Wilmington's tallest man was only six foot and no match for the towering six foot-five Nate Cloud. Conrad mauled the Red Devils, 61-39, with Nate Cloud and Charlie Neal leading the attack. John Shew, junior varsity star, connected for two points while Jim Barger made good a charity toss for 1 point. Pete Cloud, Jack Ruth, Mike Brown and Wayne Dabson chalked up 26 points together. Joe Crockett, High School's ace, managed to scrape up 14 points, but it was to no avail. This game was well attended and enthusiastically supported by loyal Conrad fans. The J.V. game was won by the Redskins 54-36.

## BRANDYWINE

Our third conference game was with Brandywine. Conrad whipped the rookies, 59-19. Nate Cloud and Charlie Neal topped the rest of the team by sinking 14 and 15 points respectively. The Redskins led from the start and were never once threatened. The preliminary game was a cinch for Conrad's well-balanced team which won handily 74-23.

## A.L. DU PONT

The Redskins took a night off from league ball and invaded the hardwood camp of A.L. DuPont. The Cloud brothers really displayed their talent by wrapping up 40 of the 81 points scored. The final score was 81 to 37. Mike Brown, second highest scorer, with 16, boosted the team to a run-away victory. The excitement mounted in the last period when the score was 79-37. The Redskin fans, hoping the team would reach 80 points, stood up and cheered the team on. With 20 seconds left, Bill Coplin, J.V. star, was fouled and he made both shots to raise the score to an exciting 81-37. The crowd went wild. The J.V. preliminary was just as exciting, for Conrad won 59-25.



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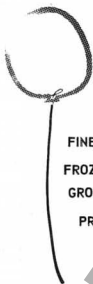
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