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WELCOME TO CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL



A GRAND OLD BUILDING—The clatter of Centralite's feet will echo through her halls for the last year before this sixty-one-year-old landmark is replaced by the new Central High on Highway 58.

By Barbara Button

Beginning her sixty-first year, Central welcomes both new and returning students to her campus, looks forward to a new location on Highway 58, and invites each person to take advantage of her many assets:

—Accreditation which has been awarded to her by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges for more consecutive years than any other high school in this area.

—Diversified studies which include over seventy courses offered to give preliminary training for almost any career of interest to students.

—A qualified faculty, a high percentage of whom hold Masters Degrees.

—A powerful spirit which envelops everyone who participates in all phases of school life, from academic studies to extracurricular activities.

—An outstanding record of honors, including the Twenty-second National Bellamy Flag Award received for her patriotic programs, distinguished principal, loyal faculty, active alumni, and other accomplishments.

—Numerous athletic honors won by students trying to maintain Central's reputation as a strong competitor in all sports.

—Twenty-one Freedom Foundation Awards, including those to the school, individual teachers, and the Social Science Department, and the Digest.

—Northwhile clubs where the student can find, from among over thirty organizations, a group which shares his particular abilities and interests.

—Active staffs which allow students to give service directly to the school and which aid faculty members in the office, library, gym, guidance office, bank, and corridors.

—A promising future in which Central will be relocated on Highway 58 in a modern five-pod building next to J. B. Brown Junior High School.

Yes, Central has many assets to offer those who are willing to give of themselves for the benefit of the school. This year at Central will be rewarding to every student who works diligently to make "honor synonymous with Central spirit."

Alma Mater

*What a wonderful school is ours to love,
With its ups and its downs and its joys;
What a wonderful banner of purple and gold
As it floats o'er her girls and boys.
What a wonderful school that I love so well,
With its wonderful rep so high,
So you've heard of the school that's true as blue
What a wonderful school — CENTRAL HIGH!*

Numerous Facilities Aid Students in School Daze

By Beth Jeffers

For Central's many new students, adjusting to the pace of everyday activities in an unfamiliar building can be made easier with the aid of the following information about the school's facilities.

With approximately 19,000 volumes, Central's E. Y. Chapin Library is the largest public school library in Tennessee. Located on the second floor, the library issues not only books but also record players, records, films, slides, and filmstrips.

Miss Ellen Mullenix, with an assistant and a staff of student helpers, head the library. Students may receive assistance 20 minutes before school, 30 minutes after school, and during the day except for assembly period. A pass signed by a teacher is necessary for admittance during a class period. Identification cards issued by homeroom teachers must be presented when a book is checked out.

Mrs. Mirvne Okrasinski and Mr. James Wood counsel students in the Guidance Department, also located on the second floor. They assist the individual student in areas related to academic progress, subject choices, college or career plans, and personal matters.

The bank and bookstore are under the direction of Mrs. Virginia Summer, who is assisted by the Bank Staff. Students can cash checks and purchase stamps, bus tokens, and tickets to school games and functions. School supplies and workbooks are sold in the school bookstore, which is open before school and at lunch periods.

First Aid in room 108 is operated for students and faculty by Mrs. Eva Spaulding and a staff of seven girls. Lost and found articles may be located in First Aid, where students also need a signed pass for admittance.

Identified by purple and gold arm bands, Ushers can help students find any of these places. These girls also direct traffic in the halls, supervise the cafeteria, act as official school hostesses, and assist teachers. Their sponsor is Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges.

School Holidays

November 1	E.T.E.A.
September 18	Fair Day
November 13	B.I.E. Day
November 28, 29	Thanksgiving Holidays
December 21 - January 5	(inclusive) Christmas Vacation
March 28	T.E.A.
March 31 - April 4	Spring Holidays

Six Decades of Tradition Make This Year Unique

By Wayne McCoy

As Central enters her last year at the present site, various customs and traditions accumulated over the past six decades provide a foundation for the development of a unique school year, one to be remembered long after the halls are silent.

The rooms of the old building, the much-used desks and blackboards, the halls, the rotunda, and the falling plaster have almost become as much a part of Central as the students themselves.

The election of Mr. and Miss Central, the May Day ceremonies, the spirited pep rallies, and the Champion Night entertainment serve as part of Central's annual traditions.

In addition to these events, Central's tradition of achievement is exemplified by the enormous array

of trophies, plaques, and certificates, placed in various display cases throughout the school.

Although each Central family has a unique heritage, the school year remains to be successful only in proportion to the achievements of the individual students. Each senior, for example, is challenged by the preceding graduating class to add to the heritage of customs. The juniors and sophomores, in turn, maintain the warmth, friendliness, and spirit of hope as they look forward to being in a new building where they will continue the spirit of achievement.

The school spirit of this sixty-first year will still be as powerful as it has been in the past, proving, regardless of building and location, "... what a wonderful school — CENTRAL HIGH!"



BUY NOW, PAY NOW—New students will learn that, like senior Chris Keefe, they will make many visits to the school bank on the second floor to pay fees and purchase tickets for school activities.

POUNDERS LEADERS IN SPORTS ACTIVITIES



GAME PREPARATION—Planning strategy for Central's first football game are, from left, Coaches Jake Seaton, Jack Archer, Stan Farmer, and Head Coach E. B. Etter. Kneeling are Captain Tim Thornhill and Co-captain Rick Holder.



HALFTIME ATTRACTIONS—Vicki Harris, Debbie McClain, Janie Arnold, Michele Tink, Cheryl Reed, Cathy Rooks, Teresa Railey, Karen Askew, and Drum Majors Chris Keefer and Vicki Funk, at bottom, will add enjoyment to the halftime activities at the football games.

"Central has one of the best well-rounded sports programs in the city," stated a local sports writer.

Sportswriters have had plenty to write about during Central's long reign over area sports. The Pounders have had eight state championships in football, the latest being in 1965. In 1958 Central was state runner-up and in 1964 they were HIL champions.

Last year after a Thanksgiving Day victory over Brainerd 14-12, the Purple Pounders slid into second place in the HIL AA Division with a 5-1-1 league mark. The gridmen this year will be out to avenge their loss to Howard and their tie with Red Bank.

Captains Tim Thornhill and Rick Holder, guided by Coaches E. B. "Red" Etter, Stan Farmer, Jake Seaton, and Jack Archer, will lead the Pounders in what is hoped to be another successful season.

With four lettermen, including only one starter, Captain Larry McGill, the outlook for Central on the basketball court is not too

By Jake Arbes
optimistic. Fighting against great odds is no new story to basketball mentors.

According to many fans before the season, the Purple quintet wouldn't have too good of a season. Apparently no one informed the Pounders or Coaches Gordon Smith and Ed Test about their hopeless cause, since the cagers ended the regular season with a 17-9 slate and respectable performances in the district and regional tournaments.

Central can look forward to another successful wrestling season behind Captains Glenn Rievley and David Ashley and the effective recruiting of Coach Jack Archer.

Rievley closed his season last year with a state champion in the 105-pound class and a perfect 12-0 seasonal record. Ruben Justice also starred with a third place in the state tournament. The Pounders were sixth in the state.

Although the Pounder trackmen finished the 1968 season winless, they are much improved, according to Coach Smith. Speedster Anthony

Crutcher, a Digest All-Star, will be back this year.

With all members of Central's golf team returning, the squad is one of the most experienced clubs in the city.

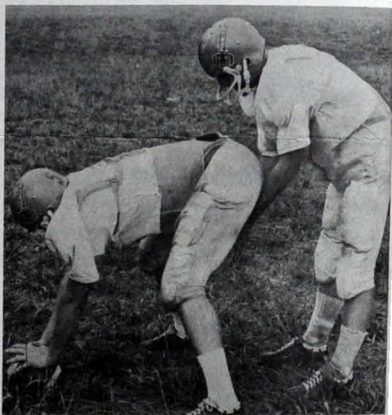
Thanks to the outstanding pitching of Kin Choate and Charlie Rogers, the Pounder diamondmen captured second place in the HIL and the district tournament.

A vast array of errors against City snapped Central's hopes of another state baseball championship.

Trained by Coach Ed Test, the Purple nine will have strong hitting this season and good pitching from Stan Cox and Steve Brown.

Central also has a sports program for girls. Through various intramural teams and a volleyball squad that placed in the top eight in the city, there is no longer a "weaker sex."

It seems as though Central does offer every sport known in Chattanooga. But it doesn't. Tennis anyone?



SNAP JUDGEMENT—Quarterback Pat Chadd takes the snap from Bobby Downs during a practice session for this week's game with City.

1968 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- Sept. 7—Memphis Carver*
- Sept. 14—City*
- Sept. 20—Riverside*
- Sept. 27—Howard*
- Oct. 4—Open
- Oct. 11—Brainerd
- Oct. 18—Red Bank
- Oct. 25—Brawley*
- Nov. 1—East Ridge
- Nov. 8—Kirkman
- Nov. 15—Notre Dame

*Home games will be played at Brainerd High School



LEAPING LEADERS—Leading the cheers for this year's sports activities are Starr Ivester, Tricia Pyle, Karen Weaks, Debbie Senterfit, Aileen Bradford, Steve Meyer, Debbie Phillips, Gene Lawson, Julia Massey, Janet Kropf, and Linda Westbrook.

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Classes Choose Student Officers

By Jan Templeton

Open class meetings have been a long-time senior tradition, but this year juniors and sophomores also met together for class elections.

Elected to lead the senior class are Larry McGill, president; Jimmy Indermill, vice-president; Ginger Nye, secretary; and Ronnie Holder, treasurer. Class marshalls are Tim Thornhill, Ricky Holder, Harold Downs, and Danny Adams with alternates Jake Arbes, David Alonso, David Ashley, and Reuben Justice.

Junior officers for 1968-69 are Bobby Downs, president; Bob Few, vice-president; Debbie Breon, secretary; and Tommy Sedman, treasurer.

Officers for the class of 1971 are Paul Luttrall, president; Genee Lawson, vice-president; Mary Alice Barnett, secretary; and Ray Henry, treasurer.

All of the class officers have various jobs throughout the year. Senior officers, for example, function at Commencement programs, work with junior officers in the annual money raising project, and help in the selection of the graduation gift to be given to the school.

The junior officers plan the junior-senior prom and co-sponsor the annual money-raising project for the junior-senior fund.



STUDENTS' CHOICES — Newly elected class presidents are Larry McGill, senior; Bobby Downs, junior; and Paul Luttrall, sophomore.

In addition to these duties, all presidents will speak on Senior Day. Retiring officers preside at the open meetings.

Sponsors for the classes are Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, seniors; Miss Marjorie Ogle, juniors; and Mrs. Mildred Sanders, sophomores.

Class parliamentarians are Dr. Edward A. Owens, seniors; Mr. E.

B. Etter, juniors; and Mrs. Flora Ware, sophomores.

Nominations for class officers were taken in English classes, September 5.

Student Enrollment 1058; Faculty Committee Plans Year's Assembly Series

By Terry Woods

With a total enrollment of 1058 students, Central begins her last year in the old building with three new courses and a series of assembly programs to honor this historic year.

Leading the school in enrollment are the newest members of Central's family, the sophomore class with 375 on roll. The juniors follow with 356, and the class of 1969 trails with 327.

Three courses have been added to the curriculum. For the first time clerical record keeping, taught by Mrs. Clarone Hughes, will be offered. Two other courses, speech and drama, will be instructed by Mrs. Frank Robbins.

A series of assembly programs has been planned by a faculty committee whose theme is "Goodbye, old Central! Hello, new Central!" Mr. J. Pope Dyer is the general chairman.

The committees and their respective chairmen who are responsible for various aspects of the assemblies include Mrs. Pat Coggin, publicity; Mrs. Reba Fults, invitations; Miss Mildred Major, program;

Principal W. Hobart Millsaps, finance; Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, "Big Week"; Dr. Edward A. Owens, transportation and reservations; Mr. Sam T. Stoner, orientation and promotion; and Mr. Robert Wharton, house, grounds, and hospitality.

"Everyday we have something unusual for the students here," Mr. Dyer pointed out.

On "Old Timers Day," for example, Central alumni will tell how Central has changed since their graduation.

Mrs. Fults has planned approximately ten programs for various school clubs. Bands from such institutions as Middle Tennessee State University, the University of Tennessee, and the Navy will also perform.

Among the featured speakers will be Dr. Robert Abernathy, Fields Services Director for Middle Tennessee State University, and, during "Spiritual Emphasis Week," Dr. Ralph W. Mohney, senior minister of the First Centenary Methodist Church.

Eight Teachers Join Central Faculty; Seven Instructors Retire, Transfer

By Marianne Tinker

Eight teachers have joined the Central staff this year as replacements for those who have either retired or accepted other positions.

Mr. Ron Cole, new art teacher, is a former basketball captain and 1959 Central graduate. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Chattanooga.

New in the English Department is Mrs. June McEwen. While earning her Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Chattanooga, she was assistant editor of *The University Echo*, the school paper.

Lt. Col. Ben Thompson, a 1939 Central graduate and former Cadet Colonel, returns after 26 years of active Army service to be Professor of Military Science and Tactics. He has won 21 medals including the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and the Army Commendation Medal.

Mr. John Heaton is the new library assistant. He is a graduate of Milligan College, where he majored in English.

Teaching in the Business Department is Mrs. Pat Coggin, who received her Bachelor of Science Degree in business education at the University of Kentucky.

Mrs. Janette Crawley, another Central graduate and former junior high science teacher at Central, is teaching in the Home Economics Department. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree at the University of Chattanooga.

Miss Anne Lovell, gym instructor, is a Tyner High School graduate. Majoring in health and physical education, she received her Bachelor of Science Degree at the University of Chattanooga.

The new math and French teacher is Mrs. Janet Heck, a 1964 Brainerd High School graduate. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Chattanooga.

Mr. Everett Fields, economics and geography teacher, has trans-

ferred to East Ridge High School. Mr. Bill Ashley, art instructor, is teaching at Red Bank High School; and Mrs. Renate Huff, Latin and French instructor, will teach at Cleveland State Community College.

Retired are Miss Pauline Shearer, business teacher, and Mrs. Jamie Shropshire, home economics teacher. Mrs. Virginia Cox, gym instructor, is on leave of absence. Mrs. Nancy Stiefel, former library assistant, is presently employed at Moccasin Bend Hospital.

Mrs. Reba Fults Winner Of 1968 Teaching Award

By Sharon McGill

Mrs. Reba Fults, social science teacher and club coordinator at Central, is the recipient of the 1968 Evans Foundation Award for outstanding classroom teaching.

Mrs. Fults was nominated for this award by a committee composed of past recipients, Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps, and Mr. W. Everett O'Neal. Mr. H. Clay Evans Johnson, president of the Evans Foundation, presented her with the \$600 award.

In her thirty-five years of teaching, Mrs. Fults has taught twenty-five years in Central's Social Science Department. She received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts Degrees from Middle Tennessee State University and has done other work at the University of Tennessee and George Peabody College for Teachers.

At Central she serves on the finance and the compilation committees. She is director of the annual Business, Industry, and Education Day and is chairman of the Boys State, Girls State Committee.

Mrs. Fults is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an honorary teacher's society. She is a charter member of the Hamilton County Classroom Teachers Organization and holds membership in other local, state, and national professional organizations.

In 1947, Mrs. Fults was designated in the Digest as the year's most dedicated and was honored as the Champion Deductory in 1952. She has participated in the winning of Freedoms Foundation Awards in the Social Science Department.



Mrs. Reba Fults



NEW TEACHERS—Reporting at Central for their first year are Mrs. Pat Coggin, Mr. Ron Cole, Mrs. Janette Crawley, Mr. John Heaton, Miss Anne Lovell, Mrs. June McEwen, and Lt. Col. Ben Thompson. Not pictured is Mrs. Janet Heck.

A Challenge . . . Students Respond

"This will be the greatest year in Central's history!" As the speaker gave his address, the faculty looked around a crowded auditorium. They looked for a sign from the students that the new plan would be enthusiastically supported.

The program that the speaker outlined showed that many hours of hard work had been spent in planning to honor Central's last year in the old building. Clubs and staffs were to present stimulating assemblies, centered on the theme "Good-bye old Central! Hello new Central!" A "Big Week" with distinguished speakers and entertainment was scheduled for April.

To review Central's traditions, the Digest Staff planned to print a special column each issue spotlighting a different aspect of Central's heritage.

But plans weren't enough. Unless each student decided to do his best for the programs—for Central—the plans would be in vain. For only an enthusiastic response would show that the students supported this important set of events.

The faculty waited patiently for the answer. When the speaker finished, the answer came—a student body had accepted the challenge.

—B. B.

Leading — A Big Job

When school started, 1058 students enrolled at Central. Now, 16 of these students have become leaders as the result of class elections. What brings about such a distinction to these individuals?

It isn't a matter of popularity. It isn't the athletic prowess of the boys. It isn't a matter of who can sparkle most brilliantly at a school social function.

Rather, it's that rare quality called leadership which relegates 16 individuals from the ranks of the followers to the ranks of the followed.

Good class leaders know how to promote co-operation between the faculty and the students by co-ordinating student ideas with administrative policies. Class leaders promote academic excellence and good public relations.

Class leaders provide the enthusiasm that helps make Central's school spirit the best. Class leaders have to work hard at their jobs.

With a little understanding and a lot of support, 1042 students can make the job easier for the 16 they have chosen to follow.

—P. S.

A Pedagogue's Plea

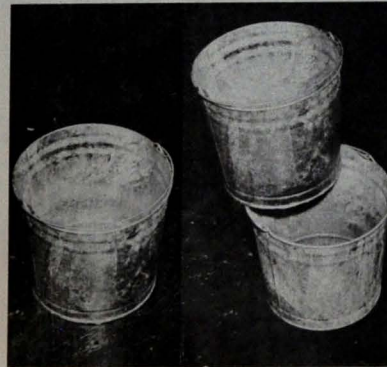
After a few days here, Central's dedicated new teachers probably gazed heavenward with these thoughts in mind: "How did I get into this mess?"

"Registration day was chaos, and the first regular class day was only half that good. I arrived at school ten minutes before I left home and found that I was an hour early. The school clocks are, to say the least, quite mixed up."

"But I don't want to gripe, for I really do like Central. With the help of friendly students and fellow teachers, I managed to survive the frenzy of locker numbers and fees, green, pink, blue, and white cards, book numbers, and schedule changes."

"And I'm learning all the time. Just this morning someone told me that I was letting my fourth period go to lunch 20 minutes early. . . ."

—T. M.



LOST TRADITION — This is one of Central's "rainy day" traditions that will not be carried over to the new school.

Spotlight on Seniors . . . Debbie Senterfit, Tim Thornhill Make Future Plans in Dramatics, Biology

By Beth Jeffers

Marine biology and dramatics may someday replace football and cheerleading in the lives of Tim Thornhill and Debbie Senterfit.

Tim revealed, "It may sound childish, but I like adventure. As a new field, marine biology offers adventure."

Debbie can remember enjoying reading dramatically in the third grade and hopes to realize her childhood dreams of acting on television or in movies.

"People don't take me seriously when I say I'm interested in this field, because all little girls want to be actresses. I'm serious about dramatics; and if I can't become successful in acting, I want to teach drama."

While planning for the future, these two Centralites are busy leading Central activities.

As co-head cheerleader, Debbie is "proud to cheer for Central." She disagrees with anyone who says Central spirit is dead.

Teamwork is vitally important to Tim, who is captain of the football team. "If we can get together and play as a team, no one in the city can beat us," insisted Tim.

He added the cheering at games is also important to the team. "It helps to have the school behind you; if the school doesn't support you, you can't support the school."

Secretary of the Student Council, Debbie "keeps the minutes . . . and helps in everything the Council does." As a delegate to Girls State, Debbie ran for governor and was appointed to the governor's cabinet.

Vice-president of the Key Club

and C-Club, Tim is also a senior class marshal. In ROTC, Tim is a captain, and Debbie is a sponsor.

A member of the Gym Staff and Tr-Hi-Y, Debbie is military editor and faculty co-editor of the Champion.

Both students plan to attend college before beginning what promises to be fascinating careers.



BLOCK THAT PASS — 220-pound linebacker Tim Thornhill cannot understand that tackling co-head cheerleader Debbie Senterfit will not make her fall for him.

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Rotunda Reflection

By Betty Hardison

Junior Anthony Crutcher, 13 Digest track all-star, won the place in an oratorical contest, August 17. He received a \$20 scholarship from Lane College which sponsored the contest.

Seniors Chris Keefe and Gini Nye, accompanied by Miss Mildred Major, Student Council sponsor, attended the National Student Convention held in Fort Worth, Texas, during the summer.

Harold Haggard, former Central basketball player, has been elected president of the University of Chattanooga student body and the student council for 1968-69.

"Lots of people think it's glamorous, but it's a maturing responsibility," says Jo Smith, 1968 Central May Queen, concerning her recently acquired title of Miss Chattanooga.

"I've had lots of fun," stated Jo, "but I can't be the regular Jo Smith when I'm out in public."

"So I'm excited over the car she received as Miss Chattanooga but seemed happier that she will replace it with a 1969 Oldsmobile Outlass this month. She exclaimed, 'I love my car, but it drinks the gas.'"

As part of her duties, Jo not only helped celebrate Eastgate's sixth anniversary but also made appearances at luncheons and at

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Monday is the last day for seniors to order rings from the bank. A \$10 deposit is required to make the order.

Chattanooga Central High School Library

Teacher, Students Spend Vacation Time Traveling

Travel was the highlight of several Centralite's summer vacations as they visited places such as Canada, Europe, and Hawaii.

Seniors Larry McGill and David Ashley represented the Key Club at the national convention in Montreal, Canada, which was attended by more than 2,000 delegates, representing the 50 states.

"The boys were the friendliest you'll ever meet," said Larry, "but the city is a place I would want only to visit."

Senior Barry Cole counseled eight boys at Camp Ocoee for two and a half weeks and then climaxed his summer activities with a trip to Camp Waikiki in Hawaii.

"The only thing I really missed was hot water," joked Barry.

Mike Haddock, vice-president of Central's Student Council, attended a workshop near Memphis for two days. Highlighting the session was a leadership workshop in which representatives divided into four councils to solve assigned problems.

Senior Mike Puryear traveled to California, where he visited Disneyland, Haight-Ashbury, and Los Angeles. "Haight-Ashbury is really fascinating," stated Mike.

Mrs. Louise Claude journeyed to the West coast for her summer vacation, while Mrs. Reba Fults traveled to Florida. Mr. Sam T. Stoner attended the Republican National Convention in Miami.

Jimmy Idemill, president of the Student Council, toured Europe on a trip sponsored by the National

Champion, Digest Win Awards



HANGIN' AROUND—Relaxing between selling ads and checking layouts for the Champion are staff members Ginger Nye, Brenda Cook, Chris Keefe, Debbie Senterfit, David Alonso, Wes Gilliland, Debbie Morton, and Susan Daresport.

Both of Central's publications—the Champion and the Digest—won top honors in local and tri-state competition this summer.

Brenda Cook, editor-in-chief of the Champion, along with David Alonso, Susan Spears, Susan Davenport, Amanda Rhodes, Chris Keefe, and Roy Willott, attended the Tennessee Wesleyan Summer Workshop where they placed second in the tri-state area and fourth in the student competition.

"The workshop has helped us out a lot," states Brenda. "By having underestimates from last year's staff and additional members composed of seniors and underclassmen, our work has accelerated beyond that of the work accomplished at this time last year," she added.

Attending a yearbook workshop in Chattanooga was Champion staffer Charles Brymer who won third place for his institute lead story.

Eight of Central's journalists received nine of the fifteen awards offered in workshop competition at the University of Chattanooga Journalism Institute. Barbara Button, editor-in-chief of the Digest, won first place in the institute lead story; Junior Terry Woods placed second. Terry also placed first for her story of the keynote address by Ray Howe, managing editor of The Chattanooga Post; and Junior reporter Russell Cobb was third.

In editorial writing senior Tommy Mathis placed first; in feature writing, junior Linda Westbrook placed third. Junior Gayle Young and senior Beth Jeffers won second and third places, respectively, covering a press conference by John Popham, managing editor of The Chattanooga Times.

Each year of Central's life holds memories for its alumni. As you become the alumni of future years, this fact will become more important to you.

Central's Golden Years

Many Changes Over Past Six Decades Involve School Tradition, Way of Life

By Wayne McCoy

Instead of a crowded bus, a trolley car may well have been your means of reaching school had you attended Central during the 1920's to the 1940's.

As Central's last year in the present building is being emphasized, many former Centralites will

look back over the years, remembering such facts as the one mentioned above.

The older alumni will recall that the Digest was organized in 1910, and it has continued recording the history of Central High except in times of war.

A graduate of the 1920's and 1930's might not recognize the Purple Pounders as they are known today, for during this time they were called such names as Purple Hurricanes, Purple and Gold Warriors, and Purple Cyclones.

For the sports fans, 1943 may hold many memories, because it was during that time that Central's E. B. (Red) Etter served his first season as head football coach.

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"Lots of people think it's glamorous, but it's a maturing responsibility," says Jo Smith, 1968 Central May Queen, concerning her recently acquired title of Miss Chattanooga.

"I've had lots of fun," stated Jo, "but I can't be the regular Jo Smith when I'm out in public."

"So I'm excited over the car she received as Miss Chattanooga but seemed happier that she will replace it with a 1969 Oldsmobile Outlass this month. She exclaimed, 'I love my car, but it drinks the gas.'"

As part of her duties, Jo not only helped celebrate Eastgate's sixth anniversary but also made appearances at luncheons and at

the opening of a housing project.

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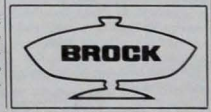
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Pounders To Battle Tigers Tonight

Central Downs City, Memphis, Eyes HIL Title

Central's Purple Pounders, with their eyes on another HIL AA Division crown, take on Howard, who beat them out of the title last year 20-6, tonight at Brainerd High.

Howard, unbeaten in 10 games last season, started this football season with only seven returnees from that team which tacked a Strawberry Bowl victory onto its regular season string. In addition to a lot of new faces on the playing field, the Tigers have a new head coach in Fred White and also have a new assistant in Albert Wade, who handles the offensive backfield.

Audry Allen, Ira Nance, and Richard Sparks are expected to be the stalwarts for Howard while the Pounders will rely on Pat Chadd, Rick Holder, and Danny Adams.

Previous Games

In two previous games Central shaded City 14-13 and swamped Memphis Carver 29-12 before a total of about 10,000 fans.

Jim Barclay's two extra points proved to be the difference in this year's typical, hard-fought City-Central clash.

The Pounders scored on a one-yard plunge by Rick Holder late in the first half and a 17-yard fourth down touchdown pass from Chadd to Bill Ogleby late in the third period.

Danny Adams scored twice, the first on an 11-yard run and the second on a 16-yard pass play from Chadd, to place Central against invading Memphis Carver.

Chadd and Holder each plunged one-yard for the other Purple touchdown.

Central's varsity team and Notre Dame tied 0-0 while the Pounder Bees rapped the Irish Bees 28-0 in the annual Jamboree.

Henry Ratford, Randy Goins, Bill Ogleby, and Mike Cagle starred for the Central Bees.

Coach E. B. "Red" Etter recorded his 200 victory as Central downed Riverside last Friday.

Coach Etter has been at Central since 1943 and has had only one losing season.



LOOKING AHEAD—Coach E. B. Etter looks forward to his two-hundredth coaching victory.

Central Sports Program Takes No Summer Pause

By Jake Arbes

Although June marked the end of the last school year, it started a new season for some of Central's athletes and coaches who continued to win honor and prestige for themselves and Central High.

Wes Gilliland, captain of the Pounder golf squad, took medalist honors and led his foursome to the Chattanooga City Pro-Am Golf crown.

Playing in the National Golf Tournament in Brookline, Massachusetts, Wes posted a 9-8 victory before dropping his second match 5-3. He also placed sixth in the State Jaycees Golf Tournament and placed second in the City Junior Golf Tournament.

Wes believes that his improved swing helped him. "I feel that my swing is much smoother and that my ball is traveling straighter."

Coach Jack Archer, Wes' golf mentor, was busy last summer, too. For the past four years, he has been athletic director and coach of Fort Oglethorpe's Dixie Youth Baseball team. This year, for the second time under Coach Archer's

direction, the team went to the Dixie Youth World Series.

Fort Oglethorpe, considered by local sportswriters as a "dark horse" team in the district tournament, went from an opening loss in the district to second place in the DYB World Series.

Though the baseball season was over in June, the Pounders kept in practice through various leagues until August. In both the Optimist and American Legion Baseball Leagues, Coach Ed Test's teams had winning seasons. The Optimist team was undefeated during the regular season. In the district playoffs, however, Central lost the Optimist title to City and the American Legion crown to Cleveland.

Coach Test cited the pitching of Stan Cox and the hitting of Rick Holder and Tommy Hylar as the main reasons for the victorious season.

"All in all," Coach Test commented, "the boys played well."



Arbes

Time Out With Jake

Still Breaking Records

His first goal posts were the forked-limbs of a big oak tree behind his house. He set his first record (breaking the one held by his brother at the time) by kicking extra points.

Bobby Etter has gone a long way since then. He has, so to speak, picked himself up by the boot strings to become what the Associated Press calls "maybe the best thing that has happened to the Atlanta Falcons" since linebacker Tommy Nobis.

For two years, after graduating from the University of Georgia, Bobby tried to hook on with a pro football team but was snubbed by team officials because of his small size (155 pounds). The National Football League Falcons probably wouldn't have had Etter either if his father—Central's own head grid coach E. B. Etter—had not written Atlanta officials last spring, urging them to give him a trial.

"I had a pretty good record in the trial," Bobby said, "and they signed me."

Etter is now Atlanta's first-string kicker. With his mysterious, metal-braced shoe, which he won't discuss, broke Atlanta's distance record with a 50-yard field goal an exhibition game.

Bobby Etter is still breaking records, but now he's practicing on goal posts instead of forked-limbs.

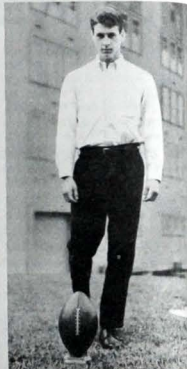
Tommy's Two Talents

Tommy Hylar, a Central High junior and second baseman on the baseball team, won an \$8,000 full baseball scholarship to the University of Southern Missouri.

Each year Southern Missouri sponsors the two week Micky Owens Baseball Camp in Miller, Missouri, where athletes are given instructions in fielding and hitting. The four best "students" were awarded scholarships.

Tommy was also, for about a week, the newest member of Tommy James and the Shondells. He quit the band, however, because James asked him to quit school.

He decided to become a singer instead of a singer.



Bobby Etter

Coming Events

Guidance Tests.....October 1-3
Senior Class Program October 8
PTA Day.....October 10
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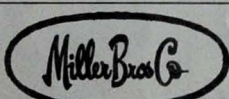
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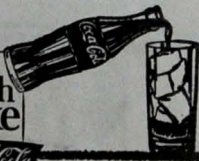
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Class Leaders Disclose Plans For Programs

The senior, junior, and sophomore classes will present programs in assembly on October 8, 15, and 22, respectively, announce the class presidents.

Jake Arbes will emcee the senior variety show. Debbie Senterfit, assisted by Mrs. Frank Robbins and Ginger Nye, will be featured in a pantomime.

Rodena Cook and Linda Griffin will sing in a duet; and a dance routine will be performed by Cheryl Reed, Michele Tinker, Debbie Phillips, and Debbie Senterfit.

Senior president Larry McGill will lead the presentation of the senior officers. Other student leaders to be recognized include Jimmy Indermill, Student Council president; Debbie Phillips and Debbie Senterfit, head cheerleaders; Cheri Moss, head Usher; and Cadet Colonel Tommy Mathis, student commander of the ROTC brigade.

Deviations for this occasion will consist of a musical selection sung by Donna Norris, who will be accompanied by Mike Lees. The junior class will also present a variety show the following Tuesday. Steve Meyer will emcee this program.

Majorette Jayne Arnold will perform a baton routine. Ronnell Owens will sing and play on her guitar.

Giving a comical reading will be Becky Cook. Sharon McGill and Carolyn Chaney will sing a duet.

On Tuesday, October 22, the sophomore class will present its assembly program.

David Ashley To Attend Annual Bellamy Ceremony

Senior David Ashley will leave next Tuesday to represent Central High School, recipient of the National Bellamy Award in 1963, at the presentation of the twenty-ninth Bellamy Award to Hibbing High School in Hibbing, Minnesota.

David will be accompanied by Principal W. Hobart Millsaps and County School Superintendent Sam P. McConnell.



David Ashley



— Photo by Barry Cole.

TEN-SHUN — Commending this year's ROTC brigade are cadet officers Tommy Mathis, colonel; Lynn Carr, lieutenant colonel; Terry Tuell, major; Wes Gilliland, lieutenant colonel; and Barry Odom, major. Not pictured are Reuben Justice, major, and David Ashley, lieutenant colonel.

National Honor Society Picks Leaders; Jake Arbes First Semester President

By Linda Westbrook

Jake Arbes has been elected president of the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools for the first semester, announces Mrs. Flora Ware, club sponsor.

Other first semester officers include Barry Odom, vice-president; Patricia Sheetz, secretary; Sandra Barnes, treasurer; Pauline Boyd, chaplain; Barbara Button, social

chairman; and David Ashley, program chairman.

Officers were chosen from the senior members who were tapped on May 3, 1968. These members include Jake Arbes, David Ashley, Sandra Barnes, Janet Blevins, Pauline Boyd, Barbara Button.

Rodena Cook, Byron Dalton, Susan Davenport, Linda Griffin, Amy Hackney, Betty Hardison, Donna Harris, Tommy Mathis, Barry Odom, Becky Rievely, Patricia Sheetz, Harold Tyler, and Steve Watson.

To be eligible for membership in this organization, juniors and seniors must possess a B scholastic average based on a points system where an A is four points; a B, three points; a C, two points; a D, one point; and an F, zero points.

Along with scholastic achievement, membership is based on the principles of character, leadership, and service.

Students who have the necessary requirements are voted on by the faculty. After these votes are tallied, the Honor Council makes the final decision concerning the induction of members.

Members of the Honor Council are Principal W. Hobart Millsaps, Mrs. Reba Fults, Mrs. Louise Caudle, Miss Mildred Major, Dr. Edward A. Owens, and Mrs. Flora Ware.

"The responsibility of the Honor Society is to give an attendance banner and a scholarship banner at the end of the first semester to the honorroom with the highest scholarship and attendance record," stated Mrs. Ware.

The original charter of the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society was issued

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January 6, 1931. "The Society's purpose is to promote excellence and quality in work," Mrs. Ware explained.

There are two inductions a year: one in the spring for juniors and one in the fall for seniors.

When the new members are tapped, they are given ribbons that symbolize the four cardinal principles of the Honor Society: gold for scholarship, white for service, purple for leadership, and blue for character.

After every induction there is a tea held for parents and close relatives in honor of all new members.

ROTC Names Commanders For Brigade

By Terry Woods

Central's ROTC Department has been reorganized to include two battalions in a single brigade under the leadership of Cadet Colonel Tommy Mathis.

Because of an increased enrollment in ROTC, and the addition of another company and the appointment of more student officers was necessary to handle the large number of cadets.

Serving under Cadet Colonel Mathis will be Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Lynn Carr, brigade executive officer, and Cadet Major Reuben Justice, brigade adjutant. Brigade staff captains are Steve Weymeyer and Roger Cunningham.

First battalion commander is Cadet Lieutenant Colonel David Ashley; executive officer is Cadet Major Terry Tuell; and battalion staff captain is Mike Love. Officers of the second battalion are Lieutenant Colonel Wes Gilliland, battalion commander; Cadet Major Barry Odom, executive officer; and staff captain is Courtney McInturff.

The company commanders and their executive officers include A Company, Cadet Captain Darryl Atkinson and Cadet Lieutenant John Shadwick; B Company, Cadet Captain Bill Ryan and Cadet Lieutenant George Love; C Company, Cadet Captain Wally Sanders and Cadet Lieutenant Bill Crowder.

D Company, Cadet Captain Mike Puryear and Cadet Lieutenant John Wilson; E Company, Cadet Captain Tim Thornhill and Cadet Lieutenant Sid Herne; Support Company, Cadet Captain Don Wilkinson and Cadet Lieutenant Jack Meyer.

Cadet Captain Byron Dalton is drill team commander; Cadet Captain Robert Ganaway, rifle team; and Cadet Captain Buddy Childers, color guard.



— Photo by Barry Cole.

SOCIETY LEADERS — Honor Society officers presiding for the first semester are Jake Arbes, president; Barry Odom, vice-president; Patricia Sheetz, secretary; and Sandra Barnes, treasurer.

A True Bellamy School

Five years ago many members of the class of '69 witnessed an event which in all probability will never be repeated in Central's history. At the time these seniors were only seventh graders, trying to understand just what the National Bellamy Award was all about.

Even though they weren't personally connected with planning the ceremony or with winning the award, they knew that Central was being brought into national focus. During that Bellamy Award week, from October 7 to 11, each student gained an even stronger respect for Central's reputation around the nation.

At the ceremony, during which the coveted Bellamy flag was presented, they heard Miss Margarette S. Miller, director of the National Bellamy Award, praise Central's faculty, principal, alumni, and patriotic achievements.

One of the youngsters who watched the ceremony from the balcony was David Ashley. Next Tuesday, he will leave Chattanooga to represent Central in the Bellamy Award program in Hibbing, Minnesota. He goes not only to congratulate Hibbing High School for being selected but also to assure the Bellamy schools that Central still maintains the high standards indicative of each school honored by the award.

But how long can the 1963 memories inspire students to keep these high standards? This year's graduating seniors are the last Centralites to remember this event.

Four factors responsible for this award being presented to the school are her Freedoms Foundation Awards, ROTC program, Bible classes, and active alumni. Each of these can be continued by the students of the future.

But only if these and other high standards are upheld, will Central remain a true Bellamy school.

— B. B.

Boys Stater Recalls . . .

And Wonders

Five hundred boys stood at attention and saluted as "Retreat" was played and the flag was lowered — and spine-tingling chills ran over my body.

Five hundred boys assembled in an auditorium and sang "God Bless America" and "The Star Spangled Banner" — and I was near tears.

I was a delegate to the American Legion's Tennessee Boys State, and I was proud. I was proud of my country, my flag, my fellow teen-age Americans.

I was proud, yes, even of those spine-tingling chills and those tears which almost crept from my eyes. For these were evidences of patriotism and love of country which I had kept hidden in my heart for 17 years!

When Boys State 1968 ended, I came back to Chattanooga, and I saw and heard some things that made me wonder. I heard young people complain about standing for the national anthem. I observed the lack of respect for my school and country.

And now I wonder — why? Why do some young Americans show such a lack of patriotism and school spirit?

I don't know the answer. But I would like to take these indifferent classmates and Americans with me and go back to Boys State . . .

Back to the spine-tingling chills and the misty eyes and back to the feeling of oneness and mutual patriotism that makes the United States of America truly united — in love, respect, democracy.

— T. M.



— Photo by Barry Cole.

FASHION MINDERS — Representing Miller's Teen Board are Dee Dee Moore, Chris Keefe, and Becky Rieley. Members of Loveman's Board are Debbie Price, Debbie Phillips, Ginger Nye, and Jenny Bradford. In front is Gail Coley, Jo-Ann Teen Board member.

Spotlight on Seniors . . .

Julie Painter, Larry McGill Think Senior Year at Old Central Best

By Beth Jeffers

Two completely unlike people in interests, Julie Painter and Larry McGill, share at least one opinion. Both would rather be a part of the last graduating class at the old Central than the first at the new Central.

Larry admitted, "At first I thought about playing basketball in the new gym. . . . But I don't think I could go to a school that didn't have a rotunda, because the rotunda is such a vital part of Central."

Sentimentally, Julie recalls, "The old Central holds many memories for me. As the last graduating class, we can set an example for future classes to follow."

Larry revealed, "I enjoy watching sports, and I like participating in most sports, especially baseball. It's the greatest feeling to hit. The pitcher throws the ball, you hit it solid—and a single goes through your body."

Involved in many activities, Julie is president of two Central organizations — FBLA and El Circolo Espanol Spanish Club and is a

member of the Senate, Bank Staff, and an executive member of the Student Council.

As president of FBLA, Julie presides over the meetings, is in charge of sending delegates to Nashville for the national business competition, and directs the Toys for Tots campaign and Dress Right Week.

Larry takes his responsibility as president of the senior class seriously, but he insisted, "The students make the class. If the class of 1969 is willing to work, we can. But I can't do it unless every one wants to."

Larry is president of C-Club and secretary of the Key Club.



— Photo by Barry Cole

AND AWAY WE GO — Senior class president Larry McGill hops a ride. FBLA president Julie Painter presents a "speedy" speech.

INSIDE OUTLOOK

Rain Attire Tells Story

By Tommy Mathis

On a rainy morning, one can always distinguish the "mature" high school teen-ager from his miniature counterpart — the elementary student.

(But if one will notice some of the sophomores, he will realize that size is no longer an accurate determinant of age and grade.)

The grade-schooler can be recognized by his yellow raincoat and rain hat ensemble and his "matching" red galoshes. Inside this heavy garb, he willingly waits 15 minutes in the rain for his bus — and later arrives at school dry and comfortable.

The high school bus-rider, however, stands in a neighbor's carport, dressed in a "sensible" school attire, with the bus driver toots his horn. Then he makes a mad dash for the bus.

(There are lucky ones who don't ride the bus. They drive to school — and park a block and a half from the building.)

In either case, by the time three period rolls around, these young adults are almost dry.

Area Teen Boards Adopt Teen 'Boutique' Fashions

Uniforms have evolved from a drab military look into a fashion boutique.

Included in the boutique are the uniforms of Loveman's and Miller Brothers' Teen Boards. Each girl enjoys wearing her uniform not only because she's proud of her position on the teen board but because the outfits are the latest in fashion.

Loveman's outfits are noticeable because of the maroon wool vests over white crepe blouses with French cuffs and paisley silk ties. The straight wool skirt is maroon and white Scottish plaid on a gray background.

The ensemble is a total idea in fashion, complete with maroon opaque stockings. Central students on the Loveman's board are Ginger

Here Comes the Teach; Order in the Classroom

By Sharon McGill

"A means of trial" — that's what a test is, and I can prove it because the American College Dictionary says it is.

In my dreams on the night before a test, I picture my class as a courtroom with lawyers, judge, and jury.

I am the defendant, the prosecuting attorney is my teacher; the jury is my teacher; and the judge is my teacher. Although obviously out-numbered, as the defendant I have a chance to prove my case in the test itself. It is well known that the defendant must show clear evidence of his ability to think and write without his property preparing the case.

Slowly taking the stand, I listen to the opening statement, the teacher's directions. The teacher-judge asks if the defense has any thing to say; I helplessly say "What can I say?"

As the questioning progresses, try to consider all sides of prosecution's questions and answer as sanely as I can. Finally he rests his case. The trial is over.

The jury returns to consider the verdict. The court is adjourned until the next school day.

Court resumes. The judge's jury agree on the decision. The courtroom is hushed, and the defendant is edgy as the verdict read.

"We hereby find the defendant . . ."

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Teacher, Student Attend Valley Forge Pilgrimage

By Marianne Tinker

Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, American history teacher, and Susan Davenport, senior, accepted Central's tenth principal school award at ceremonies held September 18-20 during the annual Valley Forge Pilgrimage.

The pilgrimage, a planned educational experience which relates the origin of America to the present, included tours of the historical and famous sights in Washington, D. C.; Fredericksburg, Virginia; and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Each school that received the award was entitled to send two delegates, one teacher and one student, to represent the school and to accept the award. This year, there were schools represented from across the continent and Hawaii.

Central's award came from an entry which depicted a form of the rights of the American people and their way of life.

'67 Graduate Tours Europe In EIL Venture

By Marianne Tinker

Russell King, a 1967 Central graduate, spent two and a half months in Europe this past summer as a participant in the Experiment in International Living program.

This project, designed to help citizens from different countries better understand one another, is sponsored by organizations all over the world.

"The important fact of the program," Russell explained, "is that in addition to seeing what a tourist would see, you are also able to live with a family and learn the traditions of the country."

Russell lived with a family in Lucra, Italy, for one month. He spent the remainder of his stay touring Italy, except for one week which he spent in Paris.

"Seeing socialism in operation, the government and religion so united, and the Italian Communist Party in action were some of the most impressive things," related Russell.

Ten people from the Chattanooga area participated in this year's program, and next year the number is expected to double. Three area high schools each sponsored a student, and in the future other schools are expected to give financial aid to the program.

Last year, another former Central student, Harry Austin, participated in the EIL program in Ghana.

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Central's Golden Years Rotunda, Soon A Thing of the Past

By Wayne McCoy

The rotunda, very often taken for granted by today's students, may one day bring back unforgettable memories to this year's Central graduate.

A meeting place of joy, happiness, and friendship, the rotunda has served students since 1907. It has heard conversations of the election of 1909 when William Howard Taft was elected President on up to today's three party race.

Described by Central graduates as the hub of the school, the rotunda is virtually the only circular portion in the present building while the new structure consists completely of circles.

The feeling of many former Centralites is that by just coming back to Central and leaning on the rotunda or on the columns, they can relive the experiences of hearing their former classmates and sharing their problems and their joys.

The question that faces Centralites of today is how will they remember Central? Will it be a crumbling building where leaking pipes and falling plaster are all about or will it be the gathering place where many friendships are formed.



SOON A MEMORY — One of Central's most popular traditions which will be missed at the new school is standing around the rotunda before and between classes.

Head Usher Cheri Moss Leads Staff for 1968-69

"Our job is to maintain order in the school," explained senior Cheri Moss, who along with Myra Payne, heads the 1968-69 Usher Staff, sponsored by Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges.

Other members of the staff include Martha Adkins, Mitzi Anderson, Starlena Bailey, Connie Bowman, Pauline Boyd, Belinda Butler, Shelby Camp, Pauletta Carson, Carolyn Clowdus, Brenda Cook, Linda Cooper, Sharon Crabtree, Virginia Curtis.

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Cheerleaders Overjump During Friday Activities

By Jake Arbes

Did you know that each Friday every cheerleader jumps high enough to reach from the end of Bales Field to the Bailey Avenue side of the ROTC field?

For you skeptics, the distance between the boundaries of the fields is 362 feet. The average cheerleader jumps three feet high. She (or he) jumps 33 times during the pep meeting and 88 times during the football game for a total of 121 feet. By Coach Smith's "Theory of Math," 3 times 121 equals 363 feet, which is greater than 362 feet.

Since there are 11 cheerleaders and 10 games, all the cheerleaders together jump a total of 36,993 feet.

Each football player wears about seven pounds of padding, much more than the cheerleaders (with the possible exception of Steve Meyer.)

Whereas in 1917 the complete uniform weighed 5 pounds, today it tips the scales at about 15 pounds and costs about \$50. The average player can don his uniform in 12:30.5 minutes.

Injuries on the gridiron range from sore necks (undoubtedly due to watching the majorettes) to broken bones (undoubtedly due to their girl-friends who watch them watch the majorettes).

Daffynitions

Here are some useful daffynitions which will help you understand what's going on during a football game.

1. **Bootle Play** — Quarterback takes drink from canteen he keeps under his jersey.
2. **Clipping** — Player trying to cut hair during play.
3. **Pipkin** — Unkasher football.
4. **Personal Fowl** — Other team's mascot (usually chicken).
5. **Unbalanced Line** — Mentally ill offensive team.
6. **Huddle** — What players get in to keep warm between plays.

A Record Breaker

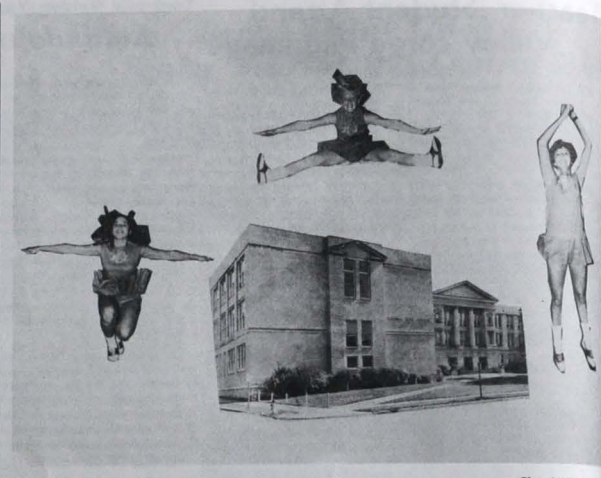
"It's your team and I want you to win it for your third in a row; just forget that anything was said about 200 victories," stated Coach E. B. "Red" Etter before the game that gave him his two-hundredth win.

Concerning the Riverside game, however, Danny Adams, senior halfback, commented, "Of course, we wanted to win this one for our third victory and for a chance at the HILL title, but our main purpose was to win Coach Etter's two-hundredth victory, and we all played harder to win for him."

The City of Chattanooga, in order to recognize Coach Etter and his many achievements in sports, declared Thursday, September 26, as "Red Etter Day."

A program honoring him was held in the Central auditorium.

Coach Etter is the first Coach in the Chattanooga area ever to achieve this mark.



JUMPING HIGH — It's a bird. It's a plane. Would you believe a cheerleader? They may not be able to leap a building in a single bound, but they'll try. Pictured are Tricia Pyle, Janet Kropff, and Linda Westbrook.

Central To Meet Brainerd, Red Bank As Grid Season Nears Middle Mark

By Layton Jackson

The Central Purple Pounders will reach the halfway mark of their 1968 season October 11 against the Hill arch rival Brainerd and then tackle the Red Bank Lions on October 18.

"Our team this year has better depth and size in the backfield," admitted Brainerd Head Coach Pete Potter, "but the line, along with being small, does not have a great deal of depth."

Brainerd has only three starters returning from its 1967 squad. Among those missing from the team will be All-State end David Carmichael and quarterback Bill Romans.

In the Brainerd backfield Robert Tucker is expected to start at halfback with Clifford Wagner holding down the fullback slot. Either Ken Wilhoit or Freddie Rohrdanz will start at quarterback.

Central shaded the Rebels last Thanksgiving Day 14-12. Led by the running of fullback

Joe Cook and the passing of quarterback David Metcalf, Red Bank will be out to better last year's 7-7 tie with Central.

Robert Merritt, out most of last year with injuries, will be playing tailback and is alternate-captain of the Lions.

One of Red Bank's strong points is a big offensive line led by Jackie Simmons and Don Jackson, a pair of 210-pound tackles.

"We lost our entire defensive line plus our linebackers," said Coach Frank Cofer, who is in his second year as head mentor at Red Bank.

Pounders Shade Trojans

A Central interception stopped a Riverside drive late in the fourth quarter to preserve a 7-6 victory September 21 at the Brainerd field.

Danny Adams picked off the pass with seconds left in the game. Riverside started the drive on their own 34 and rode the passing of

quarterback Ronnie Moore to a Central 30 before the interception. The game was Central's second straight one-point victory with Barclay's extra points providing the difference each time.

Reuben Justice, who gained yards rushing in the game, scored the Central touchdown on the yard plunge. James Featherston went over for the Trojan score.

David Carroll led the Central defense which stopped the Troy cold in the first half. The defense, secondary, in their first year joining together as a unit, played well for the Pounders, according to Coach Jack Archer.

Central Fans Now View Pounders in Technicolor

By Charles Collins

To insure that they leave the old Central in style, the Purple Pounders have purchased new uniforms consisting of gold helmets and shoes, purple and white jerseys, and purple pants.

"We have two sets of jerseys — one white with purple trim which is used on road trips and one purple with white trim, for our home games," commented Harold Downs, head football manager.

To identify the players easily, the Jerseys have the names of the varsity players sewn on back; how-

ever, they aren't the tear-away type.

When Harold was questioned about the new pants, he stated, "They fit great and are made out of stretch nylon; the colors are purple with gold and white trim."

"As for the shoes, we spray each pair with gold enamel the day before each game," explained Harold. "Contrary to popular belief, the helmets aren't gold but are clear plastic with 'Pounder' placed inside and then sprayed in gold," the manager revealed.

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CROWN HOPEFULS — Anticipating tonight's Homecoming ceremonies are Homecoming queen candidates Debbie Senterfit, Cheryl Reed, Debbie Phillips, Ginger Nye, and Brenda Cook. — Photo by Barry Cole.

PTA Hosts Chili Supper, Open House; Military Officers Present Sponsors

The annual PTA chili supper, open house, and presentation of military sponsors will take place this coming Monday, reports Mrs. Margaret Hammack, co-ordinator of the events.

The supper will be served this year by members of the faculty from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Open house, a time when parents can visit with teachers, will last from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Following these activities the military officers will present their sponsors at 8:00 on McCallie Field located behind Central.

Officers and their sponsors are Colonel Tommy Mathis, Susan Davenport; Lieutenant Colonel Lynn Carr, Ginger Nye; Lieutenant Colonel David Ashley, Debbie Senterfit.

Lieutenant Colonel Wes Gilliland, Janis Willcombe; Major Reuben Justice, Yvette Clark; Major Terry Fuell, Marcia Green; and Major Barry Odum, Becky Rievely.

Captains and their sponsors are Steve Wehmyer, Sandra Unger; Roger Cunningham, Diane Evans; Mike Love, Cathy Rooks; Courtney McInturff, Jenay Bradford; Darryl Atkins, Michelle Tinker; Bill Ryan, Cheryl Reed.

Wally Sanders, Janet Mavesty; Mike Puryear, Chris Koefe; Tim Thornhill, Debbie Phillips; Don Wilkinson, Cheryl Moss; Byron Dalton, Sybil Smith; Robert Ganna-

way, Julie Painter; and Buddy Childers, Kathy Moss.

Sponsors march in the Armed Forces Day Parade, participate in Neatest Cadet Inspections and marchmanship training, attend the Military Ball in January, and serve as official hostesses for federal inspection.

Tickets for the annual supper

Senior Cast To Perform In Comedy

Miranda, a three-act comedy farce, will be presented by a cast of eight seniors on Thursday, November 14 at 8:30 p.m. states Mrs. Frank Robbins, director.

Cast members include Beth Jeffers, Miranda Trewella; Steve Watson, Dr. Paul Marten; Debbie Senterfit, Clare Marten; Rodena Cook, Isobel Lambert.

Mike Lees, Nigel Hood; Sandra Barnes, Betty; Carl Stone, Charles; and Norma Miller, Nurse Cary. The plot develops when Dr. Marten's wife, Clare, becomes jealous of Miranda, a somewhat extraordinary invalid and patient of Dr. Marten.

Assisting Mrs. Robbins in play direction and production are Linda Griffin, assistant director; Gary Jones, stage manager; Bill Crowder, business manager; Annette Pell, make-up; Julie Painter, prompter. Debbie Lyons and Barbara Gardner, publicity; Janet Blevins, wardrobe; Miti Anderson, house manager; and Linda Cooper and Belinda Douglas, property.

The annual Alumni Association Banquet will be held prior to the play.

will be 70 cents if purchased during the day at school and 75 cents if bought at the door. Mrs. C. W. Sedman, president of the PTA, states, "Cakes and pies donated by the parents will be on the menu."

Other officers for the 1968-69 term of the PTA include Mrs. R. C. Cook and Mrs. W. E. Few, vice-presidents; Mrs. W. E. Mathis, recording secretary; Mrs. Aaron McInturff, corresponding secretary; Mr. W. E. Williams, treasurer; Mrs. R. B. Owens, historian; and Mrs. M. E. Indermill, parliamentarian.

In addition to sponsoring the chili supper and open house, the PTA operated a booth at the Interstate Fair and plans a Teacher Appreciation Dinner in April.

Alumni To Name Queen In Halftime Ceremonies Of Homecoming Tonight

One of five senior girls chosen as candidates by the senior class will be crowned as the 1968 Homecoming Queen by Mr. Terrell Fugate, Alumni Association president, during halftime at the Central-Bradley game tonight.

The candidates are Brenda Cook, Ginger Nye, Debbie Phillips, Cheryl Reed, and Debbie Senterfit.

Brenda serves as editor-in-chief of the Champion, the school annual. She is a member of the Usher Staff and the Future Business Leaders of America Club.

Ginger is president of the Y-Teens, social chairman of the Student Council, and associate editor of the Champion. She serves as secretary of the senior class and the Gym Staff and is a military sponsor and member of Loveman's Teen Board. During the summer she attended the National Convention of Student Councils.

Debbie Phillips, co-head cheerleader, is a member of the Student Council, Loveman's Teen Board, and the principal's advisory committee. In 1966 and 1967 she was chosen as one of the ten prettiest girls at Central. She is also a military sponsor.

Cheryl co-heads the majorette squad. She is a member of the Student Council and the Y-Teens and serves as a military sponsor.

Juniors Work With Seniors To Sell Cards

Juniors and seniors have four more days to sell boxes of notecards to increase the junior-senior fund, announces Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, senior class sponsor.

"We have had an excellent response," commented Miss Marjorie Ogle, junior class sponsor and co-chairman of the sale. "Originally 150 boxes were ordered from the Bright Company in West Virginia but we later ordered 750 more."

In 1965 the junior-senior toothbrush sale was initiated as a fund-raising project to provide money for the senior gift to the school and to defray the cost of the junior-senior prom.

"When other schools started selling toothbrushes," Miss Morgan stated, "we decided to sell a product for which we could obtain a franchise in Hamilton County."

Each box of cards costs \$1 and contains twelve notecards with six different photographs of Tennessee landmarks.

Student representatives from each English class have coordinated the sale with junior and senior class officers.

Debbie Senterfit serves as co-head cheerleader and is recording secretary of the Student Council. She is military editor and faculty co-editor of the Champion, a military sponsor, and a member of the Gym Staff and Tri-Hi-Y. As a junior she was one of four delegates to Girls State. This past summer she went to a state workshop for Student Council officers.

After the candidates were announced by Mrs. Flora Ware, secretary-treasurer of the Alumni Association, the entire student body selected the queen from the list.

Following the Homecoming game, a dance sponsored by the Student Council will be held in the study hall. Joe Burke and the Inclines will provide the entertainment for the occasion.

Five Gain National Merit Recognition

Three semifinalists and two commended seniors received recognition on the basis of their scores on the 1968 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Mike Turmmire and David Ashley are Merit semifinalists; Pauline Boyd is a semifinalist in the National Achievement Scholarship Program; and Harold Tyber and Patricia Sheets are on the commended list.

At the present time the three semifinalists are filling out various forms concerning college choices, high school achievements, family income, and planned vocations.

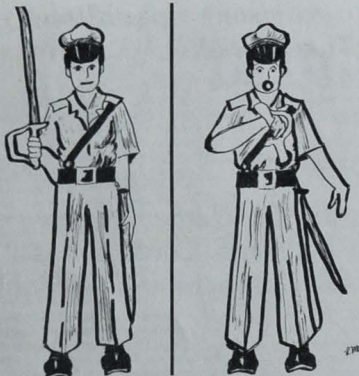
Mrs. Mirvine Okrasinski, guidance counselor, explained that only one out of five finalists actually receives a Merit Scholarship. She added, however, "Being a finalist, semifinalist, or commended scholar will aid the student in receiving scholarships from other organizations."



SCIENTIFIC SEMIFINALISTS—Solving a physics problem concerning equilibrium forces are Merit Scholarship semifinalists David Ashley, Pauline Boyd, and Mike Turmmire. —Photo by Barry Cole.

Champion Orders

Orders for the 1968-69 Champion, the school annual, will be taken from October 28 through November 11 in the bank. The cost is \$5. Students may pay the full amount or a \$2.50 deposit.



Officers are getting the point.

Spotlight on Seniors Ginger Nye, Jimmy Indermill Active As Class, Student Council Officers

By Beth Jeffers

Working together is becoming a habit with Jimmy Indermill and Ginger Nye. They share a part of the reins of the senior class, with Jimmy serving as vice-president and Ginger as secretary. Jimmy presides over the Student Council, and Ginger directs the Council's social activities.

The two students will be able to share more activities at the University of Tennessee next year, where both will be taking sociology. After their freshman year, however, they'll go separate ways. Ginger will begin stewardess training in Miami, Florida; and Jimmy will finish at UT before he goes into social work.

In giving his reasons for entering this field, Jimmy explained,



Ginger Nye

"I'm thankful that I'm as fortunate as I am, and I want to see that others get a chance in life."

Modeling for Loveman's Teen Board helps Ginger to prepare for her career. The gracefulness, poise, and good grooming habits she acquires in her modeling will help her in the future. Ginger chose to become a stewardess because, as she says, "I like to meet people . . . and teen board gives me a chance to meet many other girls in preparation for my career."

As Council and Inter-County Council president, Jimmy disclosed, "There's a chance the Student Council will conduct a domestic exchange with a school in Washington, New Jersey. We will send representatives to their school for a week; at the same time they'll send students to Central."

Ginger is "glad to serve Central" as president of the Y-Teens and secretary of the Gym Staff. She is associate editor of the Champion and is in charge of the student life section.

"The Champion will have some big changes with a great theme and a new type of cover," she reported. "We've already won a second place for layout."

Although Jimmy has many responsibilities, he finds time for his favorite sports—baseball and basketball.

"A lot of team work and skill is involved in basketball, but baseball gives me more of a feeling of accomplishment."



Jimmy Indermill

INSIDE OUTLOOK Teachers Dip, Students Smile

By Tommy Mathis

I can see it now—vivacious Ms. Hammack bouncing from chair to desk to desk to Coke fountain flinging orders at fellow teachers faster than the ear can discern.

I can see Principal Millsaps dipping the first ladle of chili to be the PTA's annual chili supper.

Mrs. Hammack volunteered (she volunteered) to head the committee in charge of the affair. Somehow persuaded fellow faculty members to serve at the supper.

I can see smiling students using their dexterous teachers as pie instead of bisecting and dishing out chili instead of homework . . .

I can see Mr. Millsaps pleading with the teachers to quit "flaming" around the hot dog line. And it should be interesting to watch the fastidious ones who have an aversion to chalk dust. How they react to slaw and mustard, greasy chili and spilled drinks, sticky cake icing?

I don't know about you, but I attend the chili supper October 30. For a few laughs and some good food.

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Officers, Director Make Band Plans

Twenty senior officers, headed by Captain David McClure, are now helping Band Director Morris Bales plan the year's marching and concert activities.

Senior Gloria Tolmie serves as band sponsor with Robert Jackson, Johnny Vandagriff, Charles Westbrook, Amy Hackney, Susie Hayes, Jackie Loving, and Jackie Moon serving as first lieutenants.

Assisting these officers are second lieutenants David Beene, Gail Coley, Bill Crowder, Rebecca Dugan, James Ellison, Barbara Gardner, Anthony Morgan, Ricky Price, and Mike Lee.

For the first time in Central's history the band has two drum majors, seniors Chris Keefe and Vicki Funk, who lead the marchers on the field.

The office corps, which consists of seniors who have taken band at least two years, was selected by Mr. Bales on the basis of leadership, musical talent, character, and all-around value to the band.

Since Central was, until last year, a junior-senior high school, some of these officers have participated in band classes at Central since the seventh grade.

Among the officers' duties, one is "to act as administrative assistants to the director in all matters pertaining to equipment, finances, and music," Mr. Bales explained.



BAND-AIDS—Band captain David McClure practices excusing sponsor Gloria Tolmie for tonight's presentation of band officers while drum major Vicki Funk and Chris Keefe look on.

New Advisory Committee Aids in School Relations

A new organization, the Student Advisory Committee, has been formed to help the faculty "feel the pulse of the school," announces Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

The organization will enable the principal to make decisions based on the findings and opinions of student leaders.

Student representatives forming the nucleus of the organization are Larry McGill, senior class president; Bobby Downs, junior class president; Paul Luttrell, sophomore class president; Tommy Mathis, cadet colonel of ROTC; Tim Thornhill, football captain; and Jimmy Indermill, Student Council president.

Five additional students selected by the original group will also

serve on the committee. They are seniors Debbie Phillips, Randolph Higginbotham, and Reuben Justice; juniors Debbie Breen and Ann Smith; and sophomore Joe Hollerbach.

Mr. Millsaps hopes the committee will assist the faculty in developing an insight into the problems of the school and the students. He believes that it will give the students an insight to some of the administrative problems of the school and will prove beneficial in helping to solve some problems that might face Central in its new location.

The committee will have an assembly program in the near future to encourage all students to assume their responsibilities in and out of school.

Centralites Attend Rally; Observe Nixon Followers

By Wayne McCoy

"An oversized, patriotic pep meeting" is how Central seniors Barbara Burton and Patricia Sheets and Junior Mary Snyder described the Nixon political rally held September 27 at Chattanooga's Memorial Auditorium.

Arriving early at the rally, Mary was able to find a top balcony seat. Barbara and Patricia, who were not so fortunate, were forced to watch the proceedings from the middle of McCallie Avenue.

"One of the most interesting aspects of the rally," declared Mary, "was the variety of signs the people carried. Among these," she stated, "were sayings such as, 'This is the Nixon Generation,' 'Security is Nixon in the White House,' and 'Hubert Who?'"

"A warm feeling of enthusiasm seemed to fill the auditorium," expressed Mary, "as the University of Chattanooga Marching Band

played 'Dixie'; and the Tennessee Republicans, a young singing group of campaigners, led the group in other patriotic songs."

Outside the auditorium Patricia observed the newsmen and secret service agents, all of whom were actively occupied. "One reporter," she claimed, "took pictures while standing on top of a car in a parking lot across the street from the auditorium."

Despite the fact that the weather was hot and the crowd was enormous, even Barbara, a Humphrey supporter, commented, "It was a very exciting and informative experience."

Editors Say 'Thanks'

With approximately 825 subscriptions, this year's Digest is being read by the highest percentage of students in several years. We of the Digest Staff would like to express our appreciation to the faculty and students for their support in the subscription drive.

In the hands of the staff has been placed the responsibility of reporting Central's sixty-second and final year in this building as well as recalling events of its past years.

Although several mistakes have been made in the first issues, the staff is striving to make the paper better, not only in accuracy but in all other areas.

— B. B.

... And Invite Opinions

What a country, what a country, What a crazy place to be! A hundred-eighty million people, And not two of them agree.

Since Ray Bolger sang these words in 1962 in the musical "All-American," this country's population has skyrocketed to 200 million persons and still "not two of them agree."

Discussion of varied opinions can be a healthy asset to any nation, town, or school. For this very reason, the editors of The Central Digest invite you to voice your disagreements and ideas in the form of a Letter to the Editor.

Take signed letters to room 312 or drop them in the Digest suggestion box at the rotunda.

— P. S.

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Presidential Poll Shows Student Opinions Differ

A recent poll reveals that students favor no one in particular but find good and bad points in all three presidential candidates.

I'm glad I'm not able to vote now, because I wouldn't know for whom to vote," stated junior Jeanie Hammonds.

She favors Humphrey because she likes the things he says he will do for America. "Nixon hides what he feels and beats around the bush," Jeanie added.

Senior Ricky Cox, an avid Wallace fan, admitted, "I feel that Wallace's choice of General LeMay as his running mate was excellent because of LeMay's Air Force experience and firm opinions." He also thinks the Wallace ticket has a "good chance" in the election.

"I don't feel that anybody who is running is qualified for the office of President," decided junior Alan Houts. "If I had to make a choice, I would choose Wallace, because he stands up for what he thinks is right."

"None of the presidential candidates could stop the war, but Humphrey would probably end the racial problems," explained Mike Lawrence, another junior.

"Wallace will get lots of votes and make a victory hard for any candidate."

Sophomore Debbie Tatum asserted, "If I could vote, I would be for Nixon, because he seems to be level-headed and reasons things out with thought and consideration."

"Wallace would be good in domestic affairs but would make a mess of foreign affairs. Humphrey is just a rubber stamp of Johnson."

Speaking of Wallace, senior Jennifer Ledford observed, "I think he would have a pretty good chance of stopping the riots and the war, but he'd better start with the riots first."

"Richard Nixon is the one," junior Steve Meyer emphasized. "He has good plans that will be put into use if he is elected President. I don't like Wallace's tactics . . . and Humphrey has had a chance to change things in the past four years."

"I'm for Wallace," declared senior Becky Rievey. "He's going to do what he says. He explains what he's going to do and the other candidates don't bother to."



Jeanie



Debbie



Ricky



Jennifer



Alan



Steve



Mike



Becky

Two Senior Girls Report Activities To Local Papers

Seniors Barbara Gardner and Chris Keefe are Central's reporters to The Chattanooga Times and The Chattanooga News-Free Press, respectively.

As a member of the Senate, the Art Club, and second lieutenant in the band, Barbara reports Central's activities and club news to the Tempo. This weekly supplement appears in Friday's edition of The Chattanooga Times and the Chattanooga Post.

Concerning her job, Barbara commented, "I think Tempo is great, and I feel that it's an honor to represent Central."

Chris, an Usher, a drum major, and the Student Council treasurer, reports for the School Scoop column of Friday's Chattanooga News-Free Press.

Chris remarked, "I feel honored to write for the school because I think it is great. I have no problem finding news here," she added. Barbara and Chris were chosen as Central's reporters after being recommended by their creative writing teacher, Miss Mildred Major.

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Central's Golden Years Clubs Provide Foundation For Tradition of Service

By Wayne McCoy

Central's numerous clubs and organizations, combined with the long hours of work required by them, form an intricate part of Central life and tradition.

Among these traditions is that of giving aid to others, which is well exemplified by the many service clubs active here. The Senate, Central's oldest service club, was organized in 1915 for the purpose of "giving drill in both prepared and impromptu debate."

Since then it has presented officials of the state of Tennessee in assembly, given numerous controversial debates, and just last year distributed Central's honor code cards.

Equally important in service is the Key Club. Its various projects include the Vocational Guidance Day for juniors and seniors, the Key Club Calendar, and the sign that will be placed at the entrance of the new school.

The Student Council, one of Central's most active organizations, sponsors an annual leadership

clinic for club officers, the Academic Awards Day, Homecoming and Christmas dances, and Christmas food baskets.

Other service clubs include the girls' Tri-Hi-Y, which compiles the student directory, "Hello Central," and the Hi-Y, whose purpose is to show the best in Christian attitude while serving others.

Essentially important to each of their respective fields are the vocational clubs, consisting of FHA, FTA, and FBLA, the Science Club, and the language clubs, which include Central's oldest club, the Spanish Club, founded in 1908.

As shown by their various achievements, these clubs have served well in the past and are an integral part of Central's history.



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Judges Talk to Students About Teen-agers, Crime

By Terry Woods

Teen-age marriage, high crime rates, and the criminal results of a broken home were discussed on Wednesday, October 23, by a panel of three local judges and two student questioners.

These three alumni — Judges Riley Graham, class of '25; Joe Hunter, '23; and Tillman Grant, '28 — were questioned by junior Sandy Doan and senior Jake Arbes during the program. Mr. J. Pope Dyer, general chairman of assembly programs, was the moderator.

When asked to list the major trends of crime in Chattanooga, Judge Graham, city court judge, rated murder and robberies high on the crime list; but he added that the violation of traffic laws is the most serious of these trends.

Automobile Accidents

The city official estimated that as many as 600 persons had been seriously injured in Hamilton County this year as a result of automobile accidents. He cited this year's traffic fatalities within the city at 20 and those within the county at 30.

Judge Grant, criminal court judge, explained that most crimes are committed by people from 20 to 25 years of age; but Judge Graham added that most cars are stolen by teen-agers from 16 to 20 years old.

Judge Grant maintained that adults are almost always behind the car-stealing racket and "they

are the ones that should be caught and punished."

Lenient Parents

He also cited parents' permissiveness as being a major factor in creating the youthful criminal. He asserted that teen-agers haven't been taught honesty and decency and that most offenders are without training in the church.

Judge Hunter, circuit court judge, observed that a broken home can be a contributing force in teen-age crime.

When asked about teen-age marriages, Judge Hunter stated that teen-agers can handle the responsibility of marriage only if both parties have the proper attitude and maturity.

In his estimation there are approximately 1600 divorces filed in the county each year—many more than the number of marriages during that time.



ACTORS, ACTRESSES—Beth Jeffers as Miranda is being carried by her chauffeur, Carl Stone, while Dr. Paul Marten, alias Steve Watson, looks on.

Senior Play To Be Given Next Week

"One of the most entertaining plays that I have ever seen" is the way Mrs. Frank Robbins, speech and drama instructor, describes "Miranda," the senior play which will be given next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

The production will be the last senior play to be given in Central's present building and will also serve as the entertainment for the annual Alumni Association Banquet.

"All alumni who purchase a \$2 ticket for the banquet will be automatically admitted to the performance," explains Mrs. Robbins.

"Miranda" has had a long professional run in London and has also been produced on television.

In the play, Miranda Trevelia, played by Beth Jeffers, is an invalid who, for some unknown reason, has never been able to walk. As the patient of Dr. Paul Marten, alias Steve Watson, she is carried from room to room by the chauffeur, portrayed by Carl Stone.

Keeping a watchful eye over Miranda's advances toward these two gentlemen are the other members of the household—Debbie Senterfit as Clare Marten, Rodena Cook as Isobel Lambert, Sandra Barnes as Betty, Mike Lees as Nigel Hood, and Norma Miller as Nurse Cary.

"In order to make the play a complete success," Mrs. Robbins stated, "we have purchased new costumes as well as new stage props."

Tickets for the senior production are presently being sold by members of the cast and production staff for the price of 75 cents.

Old Timers Day to Feature Graduates From 1908 Class in Assembly Program

Five of the nineteen members of the 1908 class, the first class to graduate from Central, will appear along with a member of the first faculty on the Old Timers Day assembly program this afternoon.

Mrs. Florence Shehee Hunekc, Mrs. Elsie Hays Bridgers, Mrs. Edith Her Mianer, Mrs. Rob Church Vandagriff, and Mr. Charles Allen Ward, salutatorian of the class, will be presented on the stage, announces Miss Ellen Mullenix, chairman of the program.

In observance of National Book Week, November 3-9, Miss Mullenix, school librarian, is having her program guests to appear through a giant scrap book.

Senior Jimmy Mahoney, a member of the Library Staff, will portray Father Time and will turn the pages of time as Miss Mullenix narrates the school's history by decades.

Mrs. John A. Shelton, a member of the first faculty, will represent the 1907-17 period.

SFC Warren Luttrell, ROTC instructor and 1938 graduate, will portray the 1917-27 decade by wearing a World War I uniform

while senior Mike Lees plays a series of war tunes on the organ.

For the 1927-37 era, Judy Harness and Sharon Overton, members of the Library Staff, will do the Charleston.

Mr. Luther Masingill, a WDEF radio personality and 1941 graduate, will represent the period of 1937-47.

For the patriotism period of 1947 to 1957, Mrs. Jean Coffield Smith, a 1948 graduate and former Miss Central, will sing "God Bless America."

Concluding remarks will emphasize the school spirit and accomplishments of the 1958-68 decade.

Senate Election Results

President	Congressman
Wallace 61%	Brook 81%
Nixon 22%	Pope 19%
Humphrey 17%	

Key Club Names 1969 Calendar Girls



—Photo by Barry Cole.

SWITH/11/21 1911. The three sweethearts chosen by members of Central's Key Club are, from left, sophomore Starr Ivester, senior Ginger Nye, and junior Debbie Price.

This year the Key Club Calendar will feature three sweethearts — senior Ginger Nye, junior Debbie Price, and sophomore Starr Ivester—rather than one senior sweetheart, states David Ashley, club president.

Along with the sweethearts twelve other girls will appear in the calendar. These girls and their respective months as selected by Key Club members include Cheryl Reed, January; Debbie Phillips, February; Debbie Senterfit, March; Kathy Moss, April.

Brenda Cook, May; Becky Rievey, June; Michele Tinker, July; Cathy Rooks, August; Vicki Funk, September; Jenay Bradford, October; Gail Coley, November; and Sybil Smith, December.

Each girl will appear in a costume representing either a season or holiday of the month which she represents.

Calendars can be purchased during the first week of December for 75 cents from any club member or calendar girl. Proceeds will be used toward the purchase of a sign that will be erected in front of the new Central High School.



—Photo by Robert Gannaway.

HOMECOMING QUEEN—Senior Ginger Nye smiles as she is crowned by Mr. Jerry Sammart, vice-president of the Alumni Association, during halftime of the Central-Bradley game.

Grades End Daze

For nine weeks they walked, talked, thought, and acted as though they were in a trance. They snickered at requests; they scoffed at reminders; they rebelled against demands.

They were all controlled by the same force, a force which compelled them to defy the "establishment" and its standards.

They were in the middle of a dream, and it would end happily—so they thought. They were blinded to the inevitable by their illusionment.

But soon their unconcerned manner ended abruptly; the moment of awakening, of truth, had arrived. The first-quarter grades were given, and now they could see their mistakes.

The F in English meant that a lot of hard work would be needed in the second quarter to pass the course. And it wouldn't be easy to raise that D in math to a decent grade.

Yes, they could see now. And they weren't snickering or scoffing or rebelling. They were too busy thinking about what lay ahead—thinking and planning their homework schedule for the second quarter.

— T. M.

First Things First

With a troubled expression, a senior looked at his ACT test. He wondered what the big words meant and what the math problems were all about. Somehow he sensed that he would not be passing this entrance examination or any other—but why?

During his years in high school he had tried to take it easy. Every night he went home empty-handed, saying that homework was for the "brains." When he showed up for classes, he paid no attention to the teacher; his thoughts were on his girlfriend, a football game, or his bright future—a college degree and a good job.

Now, however, he realized that this future doesn't come to the poorly-prepared. It is earned by those who labor to gain an education, no matter how great the task.

What can be done to enlighten this and other students who think that they will pass the ACT or any other college entrance test without first getting the fundamentals for higher learning?

The Future Teachers of America are trying to draw attention to the answer during American Education Week. By presenting speakers in assembly, they hope to emphasize the wealth of knowledge to be found in high school and to encourage students to take advantage of this opportunity to prepare themselves for the required examinations and their desired futures.

— B. B.

Where the Acting Is

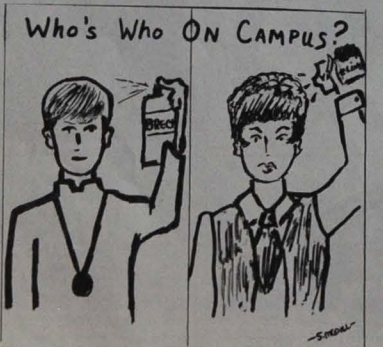
Next Thursday, members of the class of '69 will stage the senior play, a three-act farce "Miranda." In order to present the play, many hours have been spent in hard work and on tedious plans for scenes, sound and light effects, make-up, and properties.

Practices were held every night for many weeks, so that the individual parts could be perfected. Also, various students volunteered their time to work behind the scenes on make-up and costumes to improve the total effect.

The number of people present influences the cast's performance. The actors also sense the interest of their audience and respond accordingly.

You determine whether or not this play is successful; be there and give your full support.

— B. H.



Spotlight on Seniors

Editors Brenda Cook, David Alonso Share Duties in Publishing Annual

By Beth Jeffers

While most students are thinking about ordering their yearbooks, Brenda Cook and David Alonso are preparing to publish it.

Champion editor-in-chief, Brenda tries to "keep harmony between the staff members." She assists each member, especially the new

ones, including David, who works on the sports section.

Brenda is responsible for the opening section—the first fifteen pages—of the yearbook. David covers basketball, track, and golf in the sports section.

"Each staff member draws the



— Photo by Barry Cole.

VERY HANDSOME INDEED—David Alonso notes his satisfaction with the Champion layout as Editor Brenda Cook quite readily agrees.

layout for his section," Brenda explained.

David added, "This is the first time we've drawn the layouts ourselves. Always before, we've had the company do it."

Brenda commented on publishing the yearbook, "Each section has a deadline, and we send the parts one at a time. Near the end of the year, the company sends a dummy to proofread. After checking it, we send it back and get the print it."

Treasurer of FBPA, Brenda's future plans include being a secretary for a business leader.

"I want to be an executive secretary (president's secretary) or a legal secretary (lawyer's secretary). The routine would never get old, because I'd always be meeting new people."

David, Senate president, plans to study law at the University of Georgia and the Vanderbilt Law School. After graduating, he'll go to his state bar exam.

"When I become an attorney, I hope to participate in politics. It's exciting, and I like being in contact with people," he revealed.

Brenda was a candidate for Homecoming queen and representative on the Key Club Calendar. Besides his Senate presidency, David is also a member of the E Club.

Friends, Foe, Weather Annoy Students

Most schools have a custom that grew out of a desire to keep students safe. It is called a fire drill.

Most schools also have an unwanted custom that comes from someone's inability to relieve his hostilities in an orthodox manner. It is called a bomb threat.

Even though both customs have become an essential part of most schools, each of them produces several unfortunate results.

During these periodically scheduled events, a source of concern for the faculty is the "great disappearing act."

The number of students returning to the building at the end of a drill is sometimes smaller than the number leaving.

Some of the problems that a fire drill creates are similar to

those involved with bomb threats but a sharp individual can also spot the difference immediately: the bomb "drill" the teachers stand by the doors with watches. Another sure giveaway: the group of policemen who so chivalantly pace the halls during student exodus.

Although several students have been known to worry about the officers searching their lockers, they soon forget their worries as an unscheduled downpour dampens the unsuspecting victims.

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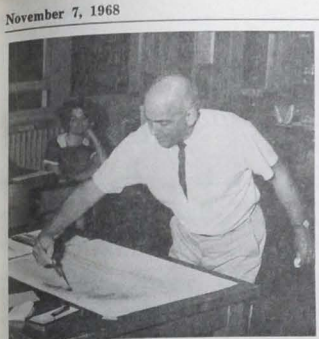
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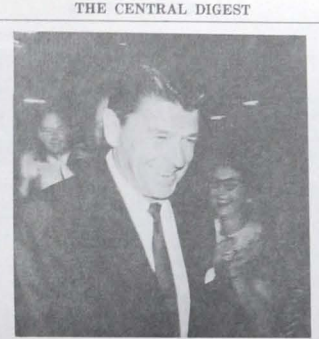
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WATCHING A PRO—Central students often participate in activities related to school work. Here, an art class watches Mr. George Cross paint a landscape for the new Central.



— Photo by Jimmy Barger.

COVERING A VIP'S SPEECH—Junior photographer Jimmy Barger snapped this picture of Governor Ronald Reagan, while attending a \$100-plate dinner.



— Photo by Barry Cole.

REPRESENTING CENTRAL—Senior Linda Franklin, a recent delegate to the American National Bank's opening ceremony, pauses for a moment by the bank's new water fountain.

Student Council Adds New Members

The Student Council begins a new year adding 84 homeroom and class representatives, announces Jimmy Indermill, Council president.

Representatives from the various homerooms include Starr Ivester, Archer; Ronnie Holdaway, Gaudle; Debbie Shipley, Coggin; Sharon Crabtree, Cole; Sandy Gist, Crawley; Randy Finnell, Dyer; Mike Puryear, Etter.

Sharon Tims, Farmer; Tommy Hunter, Fletcher; Matricia Shadwick, Fulk; Jenay Bradford, Hamrick; Ricky Holder, Haskins; Stan Cordell, Heck; Bobby Rogers, Hoover; Dieder Polston, Hughes.

Ronnell Owens, John; Dale Wyatt, Lovell; Joe Downs, Major; Tyrone Burk, Mayfield; Robert Lewallen, McEwen; Sheryl Grider, Morgan; Pam Sivil, Ogle; Randy Goins, Owens; Vicki Harris, Rice.

Steve Creswell, Robbins; Myra Payne, Roberts; Kerry Upton, Rogers; Becky Holdaway, Sanders; Kyle Askew, Seaton; Barry Odom, Smith; David Jernigan, Stone; Bill Crowder, Stoner; Joe Hollerbach, Trowley.

Tommy Gulas, Ware; Pam O'Rear, Webb; Annette Pell, Wharton; Walt Kasper, Williams; Joyce Smith, Williamson; and Marty Shope, Test.

Class Representatives include seniors David Alonso, Mitzi Anderson, Mike Horton, Debbie Lyons, Cheri Moss, Cheryl Reed, and Janis Willcombe.

Junior representatives are Vicki Alden, Jim Barclay, Anthony Crutcher, Bob Few, Sybil Lusk, Johnny Turner, Dale Wyatt, and Gayle Young.

Sophomore representatives are Cathy Button, Mary Alice Barnett, Teresa Rayton, and Bruce Willbanks.

The main projects of this year's Council include Welcome Week and the Student Academic Awards.

Alternates for the various homerooms are Karen Weeks, Jo Adams, Darryl Atkinson, Cathy Pace, Carl Stone, Pauletta Carson, Susan Runyan, Ken Kaylor, and Rick Cox.

Dee Dee Moore, David Carroll, Tommy White, Jennifer Ledford, Miriam Cooper, Melvina Williams, Joan Clesp, Kevin Alexander, Cathy Rooks, Ola Wood, Judy Stroud, and Teresa Railey.

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Four Centralites Perform In East Tennessee Chorus

Four glee club members represented Central at the All East Tennessee High School Clinic Chorus held last week at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Chosen by Mr. K. W. John, director of Central's Glee Club, the delegates were Susan Hayes, soprano; Linda Griffin, alto; Mike Lees, tenor; and Steve Roe, bass.

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Pounders Raid Golden Hawks' Nest

Central Drops Bears, Rebels; Falls to Lions

Tomorrow night the Central Purple Pounders will try to clip the wings of the Golden Hawks on Kirkman's field at 8 o'clock.

Expected to pace the Hawks are Larry Clayton, tail-back, and Ken Shaw, all-Hill tackle. Larry Mercer, recovering from a knee operation, is also expected to see limited action.

Central will again rely on the passing of Pat Chadd and the running of Randy Goins, Rick Holder, Reuben Justice, and Henry Radford to spark the offense.

Defensive stalwarts are expected to be Tim Thornhill, Mike Underhill, and David Carroll.

"Kirkman always plays its best game against us," Coach Jack Archer commented.

In three previous games, the Pounders demolished Bradley 33-0, fell to Red Bank 14-7, and downed Brainerd 20-7.

Reuben Justice, Central's speedy halfback, scored four of the five Pounder touchdowns in the Homecoming game against Bradley.

Justice scored on sprints of 3, 7, and 12 yards, plus a 70-yard punt return which brought the 4,000 fans to their feet.

Randy Goins scored Central's other touchdown on a 12-yard sprint. Jim Barclay booted three extra points. The Pounder defensive wall held Bradley to minus 22 yards rushing.

For the first time in 32 years the Red Bank Lions defeated Central. Two Tom Patrick interceptions set up the Lions' scoring drives. The lone Central tally came on a Chadd to T.L. Young five-yard aerial.

Tim Thornhill blocked one punt and partially blocked another to set up two touchdowns as Central surprised Brainerd.

The Pounders scored on aerials from Chadd to Johnny Turner and Rick Holder, and on a run by Henry Radford.



CRAM SESSION—Members of the basketball team listen as Coach Gordon Smith outlines strategy for the first cage encounter October 22.

Veteran Sharpshooters Aim for Winning Season

By Layton Jackson

Hoping to improve last year's record of 2-6, the Central Rifle Team will open its 1968 season October 26 at Columbia Military Academy.

"We experimented a lot last year," stated team instructor SFC Warren Luttrell, "but the team looks like it might go undefeated this year."

Junior Craig Brothers, who led the team in firing last year as a sophomore, is expected to be the top man again this year, according to SFC Luttrell. In a practice round, Craig fired a 265 out of a possible 300 points.

Other members of the team include seniors Lawrence Wilbourn, Howard Thomas, Lynn Patterson, David Howell, and Junior Ed Bradley. Senior Robert Gannaway is the rifle team captain.

"Although this is the same team we had last year, the boys seem

to be firing much better," admitted their coach. "They are more experienced, and they aren't as nervous as they were this time last year."

During a match, Central's sharpshooters fire three rounds with ten targets to each round. They are given ten minutes to complete each round. The four highest scores are taken as a total team score.

"Sophomore Terry Cheek has looked real good in the tryouts so far," commented Sergeant Luttrell. "He fired 79 out of a possible 100 in a practice round."

Other members of the team have been turning in series scores between 960 and 979 out of a possible 1,200.

"I believe that we can profit from last year's mistakes because now the team members won't be as nervous as they were last year and will fire with more confidence," summed up Sergeant Luttrell.

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If it weren't for Coach Stan Farmer, Tim Thornhill might have been just another face in the crowd at City High School.

Timothy Wyatt Thornhill went out for football in freshman year to "prove that I wasn't a chicken."

When Tim started spring practice in his freshman year, he knew that football was not for him. "I hated it," he said. "I knew I wasn't going out again the next year."

And he didn't. Coach Farmer remembered the big junior high lineman and wondered where he was the first few days of spring practice. Coach Farmer decided to investigate.

While the football team was sweating it out at the practice field in Glenwood, Tim Thornhill was swimming in Murray Hills. His mother had even suggested his switching to City High School.



Tim Thornhill

Fateful Decision

Coach Farmer's visit to the Thornhill household changed everything. "He came over to my house and told me the football could develop me.

"He said it would improve my health, my character and my whole outlook on life. He was sincere, and I decided to be at spring practice.

"Without a doubt, it was the most important decision I made in my life," reflected Tim.

Tim began sweating it out with the other guys. "I hate it just as much that year as my freshman year. But changed.

"Coach Farmer switched me from guard to linebacker. This added responsibility made me try harder. I earned," grinned Tim.

Apparently, the more responsibility Tim acquires, the more he improves. This year he is captain of the Central football team and is regarded by local sports writers as one of the best football players in the area.

College scouts seem to agree. He has already been approached by more than 16 schools, including West Point, Annapolis, Alabama, and Tennessee.

City High School, eat your heart out!

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- American Education Week.....November 10-16
- Alumni Banquet, 7:00 p.m.....November 14
- Senior Play, 8:30 p.m.....November 14



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Junior Achievers Learn, Get Business Experience In Miniature Companies

By Jan Templeton

Learning about business while still in high school by operating a miniature company is part of the purpose of the Junior Achievement Company, states Mr. Ronald G. Emory, executive director.

Centrals involved in Junior Achievement with their respective companies and sponsors are Edward Russell — Antco, sponsored by American National Bank; Margie Dulin — APS, sponsored by Gutter Laboratories; Linda Sehorn — ARTCO, sponsored by Arthur Anderson. Ginger Harris — Atco, sponsored by Atlas Chemical; Sandy Cooper and Pam Sivley — Ceramco, sponsored by Clowes Ceramics; Elizabeth Ochsneben and William Burkhalter — C and E Co, sponsored by Combustion Engineering Corporation.

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Edna Black — Gilco, sponsored by Gilman Patent; Paula Legz — Glow Co, sponsored by Chattanooga Gas Company; Terry Woods and Glenda Thomas — I.A.A. of Chattanooga, sponsored by Interstate Life and Accident Insurance Company.

Steve Horten, Judy Harness, Charles Horten, and Ann Vaughn—

Jabelco, sponsored by South Central Bell; James Keller — Jacobel, sponsored by South Central Bell; Diana O'Neal — JAPont, sponsored by Dupont.

Steve Cooper — JaroyalCo, sponsored by Royal De Soto; Terry Tuell — Kosoco, sponsored by Koehring Southern; Edward Nichols and Sheila Fuller — Moco, sponsored by Modern Maid.

Martha Hughes, Joan Adams, Sandy Doane, Ednah Keith and Jacqueline Suttles — Pioneer J. A. Bank, sponsored by Pioneer Bank; and Annette Pell, Irene Pell, Roxanne Douglas, Chuck O'Mary, and Kevin Alexander — Profco, sponsored by GAF Corporation.

Each company seeks stock to get essential finances for the miniature business.

The various companies meet weekly during two-hour sessions in the Junior Achievement building across from Central High on Dodds Avenue.

Clothing Drive

Tomorrow is the last day for students and teachers to bring in their garments for the annual clothing drive, announces Mr. Sam T. Stoner, general chairman.

He hopes to attain a goal of more than 15,000 articles, last year's record total, which exceeded the total contributions of all other Hamilton County schools.

The drive is being conducted at the request of Dr. Sam P. McConnell, superintendent of Hamilton County Schools, who stated that there is a definite need for the garments.

Former Faculty Member Revisits 51-Year 'Home'

By Debbie Price and Terry Woods

Mrs. John A. Shelton, member of one of Central's first faculties, returned to Central November 7 to participate in the Old-Timers Day program in assembly.

"Central is an outstanding school that trains students in courage, scholarship, and character," Mrs. Shelton commented.

Mrs. Shelton taught a total of 52 years, 51 of which were spent at Central. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree at George Peabody College for Teachers and her Master of Arts degree at Columbia University.

She began teaching English and Latin and, for a short time, taught civics and arithmetic. In 1921 she became head of the English Department, a position she kept until her retirement in 1960.

The former sponsor of the Digest declared, "I am still a reg-

ular subscriber to the school paper."

Mrs. Shelton formed the National Honor Society in 1931. It was known as the Lookout Chapter until 1961 when it became the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter in her honor. In addition to her duties with the Honor Society, Mrs. Shelton served as director of the senior plays.

The Champion of 1919 was dedicated to Mrs. Shelton for her achievements as a teacher.

Upon her retirement, she was awarded a plaque by the English Department inscribed with the names of all teachers who had served under her and a replica of the Annie Mae Shelton medal to commemorate her years of service.

In addition, the department annually awards the Annie Mae Shelton medal to an outstanding senior student in English.

Cast of Eight To Present Senior Play As Entertainment for Alumni Tonight

By Marianne Tinker



—Photo by Robert Gannaway.

ON WITH THE SHOW—Rehearsing for tonight's performance of "Miranda" are, from left, Debbie Senterfit, Mike Lees, and Rodena Cook. Standing are Norma Miller, left, and Sandra Barnes.

Tonight the senior play, "Miranda," will be presented at 8:00 in the school auditorium immediately following the annual Alumni Association Banquet at 7:00 in the study hall.

After six weeks of practice, the following eight cast members will present the three-act comedy farce: Beth Jeffers — Miranda Trewellia Steve Watson — Dr. Paul Marten Debbie Senterfit — Clare Marten Rodena Cook — Isobel Lambort Mike Lees — Nigel Hood Sandra Barnes — Betty Carl Stone — Charles Norma Miller — Nurse Cary

Sanda said, "The hardest thing was learning the lines. After that I had to put myself in the place of the person whose part I am playing. The rest came easily."

During practice sessions Mrs. Frank Robbins, director, helped the students learn to speak to the audience to "make them feel as if they're in the room with you."

"Since I'm an 'invalid' in the play, I've had to learn both to keep my legs still and to project my voice while sitting down," Beth remarked.

Assisting Mrs. Robbins in play direction and production are: Linda Griffin — assistant director Gary Jones — stage manager Bill Gower — business manager Annette Pell — make-up

Debbie Lyons and Barbara Gardner — publicity Janet Blevins — wardrobe Mizel Anderson — house manager Linda Cooper and Belinda Douglas — property

"In previous years most of the plays have been high school plays, but this year's is a professional play which should appeal to everyone," commented Mrs. Robbins.

Beth claimed, "This year, the costumes are to be really effective." All costumes and props were purchased new for this year's production.

Debbie Lyons stated, "I think it will be a funny play that even the adults will enjoy."

Juniors Top Honor Rolls; Seniors Lead Star Lists

Juniors led the first quarter honor roll, and seniors led the star roll with students from 24 out of 40 honorooms comprising the list, announces Principal W. Hobart Millaps.

An A must be made in every course to make the star roll and all honor roll students must have at least three A's and no grades below a B. To qualify for either roll, students must have all A's in residence.

Senior

Star Roll: Jake Arles, David Ashley, Barbara Button, Rebecca Duggan, Amy Hackney, Patricia Shetz, Larry Shadrick, and Taylor Tyber.

Honor Roll: Bill Christian, Linda Colbaugh, Susan Davenport, Linda Griffin, Betty Harrison, Susan Hayes, Chris Keefe, Mike Lees, Tommy Mathis, Jackie Moon, Cheri Moss, Donna Norvis, Barry Odum, Julie Painter, Becky Rivley, Mike Turmino, and Steve Watson.

Junior

Star Roll: Arthur Finch, Nancy Hunt, Nancy Lewis, Steve Meyer, Susan Spears, and Ola Wood.

Honor Roll: Vicki Alden, Jayne Arnold, Robin Atchley, Denise Bacon, Jimmy Barger, Debbie Barnes, Pam Bishop, Becky Bradcock, Janice Buuck, Kay Clark, Miriam Clopton, Becky Cook, Anthony Crutcher, Barbara DeSha.

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Sybil Fleming, Bill Kennedy, Jane Leonard, Jay Martin, Julie Mass, Sharon Overton, Brenda Sewell, Mary Stroud, Jim Stratigos, Judy Stray, Jan Templeton, Marianne Tinker, and Linda Westbrook.

Sophomore

Star Roll: Debbie Cloud and Debby Tatum.

Honor Roll: Susan Bankston, Janet Cook, Hunt Cooper, Danny Creswell, Rick Duncan, Joe Hollerbach, Janice Jenkins, Sammy Jones, Tim Kollar, Becky Kitts, Ramona McRay, Mike McGill, John McQueen, Ted Moon, Sherry Ritchie, Patti Shley, David Townley, and Taylor Underwood.

Sophomores' Sponsor Leaves; New Instructor Joins Staff

By Linda Westbrook

Mrs. Mildred Sanders, sophomore English instructor, left Central on October 31 to teach English at East Ridge High School.

Taking Mrs. Sanders' position is Mrs. Barbara Delaney, a University of Chattanooga graduate and a former employee of Tennessee Valley Authority.

This is Mrs. Delaney's first teaching job. She did her practice teaching at Signal Mountain Junior High School.

Mrs. Sanders, whose home is in the East Ridge community, explained that the inconvenience of transportation to the new Central on Highway 58 was her only reason

for transferring. The sophomore class sponsor commented, "As far as I'm concerned there will never be another Central."

Sponsor of the Y-Teens, Mrs. Sanders directed the junior and senior plays of 1967-68. She has sponsored trips to Europe, New Orleans, and Nashville and has taken some of her classes to see musicals which pertained to books or plays her classes have studied.

Mrs. Sanders attended Berea College in Kentucky and the University of Chattanooga. Before coming to Central in 1964, she taught at Fairview and Valleyview Elementary Schools.

From the Editor's Desk Recognition and Challenge

During the first quarter of school a number of students were quietly working toward a goal. While their friends were watching television or talking on the phone, they were busily preparing homework assignments, realizing that their daily efforts would affect the final grade.

And now their hour has come. We of the Digest Staff would like to honor these students who have reached a pinnacle of scholastic achievement at Central—the star and honor rolls. It is through their effort that Central will remain an outstanding institute of higher learning and therefore will accomplish its major objective.

Even though these scholars perform an important service for the school, they are often unrewarded as individuals until their senior years. By printing the star and honor rolls the Digest tries to give the ones who achieve their goal recognition for their effort and hopes to challenge others to work harder in the future.

But all we can do is issue this challenge. Actual improvement requires determination and work by the student himself. It doesn't come from spasmodic bursts of enthusiasm but from daily preparation of assignments. —B. B.

Holiday No Different

Last Monday was Veterans Day, and I thought it might be different.

Usually I just hang around the classrooms inconspicuously; not many people really recognize my presence. Oh, several of the teachers still notice me and think about what I stand for.

And a few of the "square" students take an occasional moment to look at me and rejoice in my standards.

Mostly, though, I just hang in the rooms and collect dust. I can't remember when I last heard the pledge of allegiance which someone wrote for me.

Veterans Day came and I waited expectantly for some patriotic soul to gaze in my direction as he remembered and honored the thousands of soldiers who had fought to keep America free.

But all I got were a few fleeting glances during a dry lecture.

Apparently no one was thinking about fathers crippled in the war, or uncles buried in Iwo Jima or brothers fighting and dying in Vietnam. And apparently no one was thinking about what all those soldiers were fighting for — the freedom and unity that I stand for when I hang unnoticed in the classrooms.

—T. M.



Did you know there is one in your hometown?

Why Don't You?

Two girls overheard at a football game were involved in a heated discussion about a seemingly controversial subject. After a few minutes of fervent debate, one of the students stated, "I'll write a letter to the Digest about it."

We don't know who the girls are or what they were discussing. But we do know that the Digest would be glad to hear the opinions of these girls as well as the views of more than 1,000 other students.

Signed letters to the editor may be turned in to room 312 or dropped into the Digest suggestion box at the roundtable. Names will not be printed if the writer so requests.

—P. S.

Senior Spotlight

David Ashley, Debbie Phillips Describe Meaning of Last High School Year

By Beth Jeffers



—Photo by Robert Gannaway.

HERE'S HOW—David Ashley, co-captain of the wrestling team, tries to show co-head cheerleader Debbie Phillips a wrestling position so she will know what's happening at this year's matches.

New Maneuvers Create Problems In Presentation

Locked doors, a faulty "return saber," and cracked fingers added variety to the annual Presentation to Sponsors several weeks ago.

While commentator Charles Collins was preparing to announce the evening's events, Stanley Cox visited the press box and fatefully closed the door.

"When Stanley started to leave, we realized that we were locked in — without any keys!" Charles exclaimed.

The boys had attempted to escape several times when five teachers came to the rescue. They couldn't open the door, but they

INSIDE OUTLOOK Alumni Know 'Where It's At'

By Tommy Mathis

They'll walk in tonight and go straight to the study hall. They won't have to humble themselves to the point of asking some sophomore where they're supposed to be.

I'm talking about the alumni who'll be coming to the annual banquet this evening. They're lucky.

Next year, we seniors (who are so proud to be the last to graduate from this building) will not be so fortunate.

The alumni banquet will lose something in the change. We'll see our old friends; but we'll miss the rickety floors and cracked paint and old classrooms—all of which bring back memories to faithful Centralites.

We'll walk into the new building and wander in circles until we find some sophomore to tell us we're in the wrong pod of the complex.

We'll probably go to the new commons and look around, and with former schoolmates, wish we were back at the old Central. It won't be the same.

called SFC Augustus Warren, who tried to force the door open.

Charles began to disassemble the door with his fingernail clippers. But before he was able to remove anything more from the door knob, SGM Robert L. Hall arrived.

Realizing the boys' predicament, Sergeant Hall jerked on the door. It opened easily. Two small screws had been holding it closed.

While Charles was wrestling with the door, frozen officers were attempting to parade with their sabers in carrying position.

At the order "return saber," Reuben Justice "returned saber," chopping off part of one of Cathy Rooks' flowers.

The chilly weather brought another mishap to the occasion. After the cadets filed off the field, part of the drill team returned for a rifle exhibition. Cold hands made the routines difficult, especially when James Ellison tossed a rifle to Barry Cole a moment too soon.

Barry kept the rifle from hitting his right hand, breaking two of his fingers and cracking his thumb.

ROTC Cadets Fall In, Out

By Russell Cobb

"We've got a great first sergeant!" . . . "Yeah! Who is he?"

"Your shoes aren't shiny; your brass is on wrong!" . . . "Was that him?" . . . "Company, fall in!"

"What did he say?" . . . "Is he mad?" . . . "I don't know, but his face is red." . . . "Jackson!" . . . "Here, SIR!" . . . "JACKSON!"

"Here, SIR!" . . . "I'd like to introduce Lieutenant Colonel . . ."

"We already know . . ."

"Ten Hat . . . Look sharp — Here comes the big brass . . ."

"What's the rock for?" . . . "So I can tell my left from my right." . . . "Fall out!" . . . If only my men would fall in as fast as they fell out!"

To an underclassman, being a senior may seem the ultimate in school life. To seniors like David Ashley and Debbie Phillips, however, the senior year can mean many more things — from a stepping-stone to a time for reminiscing.

Debbie recalls looking forward to becoming a senior "as a goal to achieve after 12 years of school. It's a little sad, though, to realize that this is the last time that participating in school functions as a Centralite."

David's goal is college, but he has found his senior year "a stepping-stone to bigger and grander things." He is not certain what college he will attend. Which ever he chooses, he will be majoring in engineering.

Debbie plans to attend college at Middle Tennessee State University to prepare for social work.

A member of FBLA and Office Force, Debbie was a Homecoming queen candidate and represented February on the Key Club Calendar.

As co-head cheerleader, she enjoys "the feeling of getting behind the team and supporting it." Her position as corresponding secretary of the Student Council gives her chance to "be in contact with people," as does her membership in Loveman's Teen Board.

In preparation for his case, David holds membership in the Alpha Theta Math Club and on the Math Team; he is a Merit scholarship semifinalist.

As a delegate to the Bellamy Award ceremonies, David had chance to meet "outstanding students of the United States."

President of the Key Club, David is also captain of the wrestling team and has lettered for six years. In ROTC, David is Lieutenant Colonel, and Debbie is a sponsor.

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British Artist Predicts Fashion Trends of Future

Mary Quant, "Mother of the Mini Skirt," is more than just a fashion designer; she's also an expert mentor with solutions to weight and skin problems.

This fact was learned recently during a personal interview with the inventive designer and her English models, the "Four Dollies," whom she brought to America on a tour sponsored by J. C. Penney Company.

Wearing a black dress — mini, of course—she answered questions for local school reporters and professional newsmen about her designs, inventions, and future intentions.

Although they answered most questions, one of the models refused to discuss her weight but revealed, "I have a phobia about food. Whenever there's no one around, I go out and buy the biggest ice cream cone I can find."

Widely known for designing the mini skirt, which she calls the "classic of our time," Miss Quant is now in the process of perfecting a pill that will burn excess calories. "Everybody will be the weight he wants to be," she explained.

The pill will be sold as soon as the side effects can be eliminated. "Already on the European market are a vitamin pill and a cream

which she invented to prevent skin problems. Her company also produces cosmetics, false eyelashes, which can be cut to the desired length and thickness, and paint used to apply false freckles.

Commenting on the future designs, Miss Quant stated, "Clothes will get more decorative and more fluid. Once you get to making fabrics out of chemicals you won't have to put them on a table to cut them." Concerning the length of the miniskirt, she expressed, "It will become shorter and shorter."

When asked how she became interested in fashion, she exclaimed, "I just can't tell you. It's so forever."

Her first recollection, however, is when she had the measles at the age of three. "I cut out bits of bedspread to make a new dress," she disclosed. "You see, the clothes I had as a child were all handed down."

The models' stop in Chattanooga ended a one-week tour of America. After seeing Los Angeles, one of the models stated, "Everything in America is faster and so big."

(Editor's note: This information was gathered from an interview with Mary Quant by Digest Editor Barbara Button and Reporter Debbie Price.)

Clubs Pick New Officers To Lead Year's Projects

By Gayle Young

Seven clubs have selected new officers to lead them in their various projects and activities for the upcoming year.

Serving as president of the Intercontinental Club is Lynn Hamrick. Other officers are Janet Maveety, vice-president; Sherry Edwards, secretary; and Bill Camden, treasurer. Mrs. Janet Heck sponsors this club.

Associated with the ROTC Department is the Disc and Diamond of which Wes Gilliland is president; Courtney McElruff, vice-president; Tim Thornhill, secretary; and Barry Odum, treasurer. SGM Robert L. Hall serves as the sponsor.

Also affiliated with ROTC is the Honor Platoon headed by Lynn Patterson. Assisting him are Buddy Childers, vice-president; Gene Glenn, secretary; and Danny Fine, treasurer. SFC Augustus Warren sponsors this group.

Presiding over the Y-Teens is Ginger Nye, president. Other leaders are Debbie Price, vice-president; Debbie Breen, secretary; and Gayle Young, treasurer. Mrs. Barbara Delaney is sponsor of this club.

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Central's Golden Years Pounder Yearbook Changes With Time

By Wayne McCoy



STUDENT DESIGNS—Mr. Ron Cole, art instructor, helps senior Charlie Russo with his cover design for the Champion.

The Champion, a history book of Central life and tradition, has changed in various ways over the years just as today's student will change in future years.

In 1911 the yearbook was called the Sleepless Eye. Enclosed in a brown leather cover, the annual was about as thick as today's monthly magazines.

Covered with paper and held together with a purple and gold cord, the 1913 edition of the yearbook was simply called Central. It was even printed by Central High School!

The name Champion first appeared on the annuals in 1914. Bound with a purple leather cover, the edition contained pictures of students in baggy pants and long dresses, fashions not found in today's annual.

One tradition that has survived over the years is the signing of the yearbooks. At about the same time every year, one can see the halls cluttered with yearbook signers.

Although they may seem insignificant now, in future years these signatures and remarks will provide many pleasant memories.

As a new feature this year, the annual cover may be designed by the Art Department. Several sketches of the building have been submitted by seniors Charlie Russo and Gloria Tolmie, and junior Becky Braddock. The Champion staff is now awaiting approval from the publishing company.

In order that students may be able to view past issues of Central's yearbook, Miss Ellen Mullenix, librarian, has placed some of the first annuals in the display case located in front of the library.

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GOING, GOING, GOINS—Randy Gains (11) picks up a sizeable gain for the Pounders who swamped previously unbeaten East Ridge. The victory clinched the second WFLI Team of the Week Award for Central.

Next Friday, the Pounders meet, as of this writing, an unknown opponent in the first annual Cystic Fibrosis Bowl game at the Brainerd High field.

The Pounders received the bowl bid by winning the HIL AA Division crown and seven games, as the TSSAA requires for eligibility for a bowl.

All proceeds, following payment of team expenses, will go to research for the cure of cystic fibrosis.

Before worrying about the bowl game, the Purple Pounders will try to take a little of the fight out of the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame tomorrow night in their last regular season game.

In the throes of a losing streak last year, Irish Coach Tom Clary benched most of his seniors and started underclassmen in the final three games of the year.

The eager-for-action newcomers responded by winning two of the three contests. This year, the Irish have already not-so-pleasantly surprised a few of their opponents.

Fullback Pevzan Whatley, center Mike Eckenrod, cornerback Rick Pullman, and guard Martin Ellis are expected to pace the Irish.

In a previous game, Central erased seventh-ranked East Ridge from the unbeaten list to the tune of 27-7.

Reuben Justice bolted for a total of 165 yards, including a five-yard touchdown dash to pace the underdog Pounders.

Quarterback Pat Chadd also starred with a one-yard touchdown plunge and a two-yard scoring aerial to T. L. Young.

Henry Radford accounted for the other tally on a nine-yard sprint to paydirt before about 8,000 fans. Jim Barclay booted three extra points.

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Purple Pounders Prepare For Upcoming Cage Tilts

By Jake Arbes

"We've never had a losing season as long as I've been here, and we don't intend to make this an exception," commented Coach Gordon Smith on the 1968-69 edition of the Pounder cage squad.

Central, returning only two of last year's starters, is expected by local sports writers to take a back seat to Riverside, Brainerd, and Red Bank in this year's HIL race.


However, last year the outlook was even more gloomy for the Pounders, and they finished with a respectable 17-9 regular season record.

"This year we have more boys coming out for basketball than last year," confided Coach Smith. "We have a real hustling team; and I think that on a good night we could give any team, including Riverside, a good game."

Guards Larry McGill and Howard Fuislen, center Nathaniel Hunter, and forwards Rudolph Chambliss and Jerry Mackey or Jimmy Indermill will be the probable starters for Central.

Basketball Schedule

- Nov. 23—At City
 - Nov. 29—At Red Bank
 - Nov. 30—At Howard
 - Dec. 3—At Riverside
 - Dec. 6—Brainerd (1:00)
 - Dec. 10—Howard
 - Dec. 20—At Notre Dame
 - Dec. 26, 27 28—Round Robin at City
 - Jan. 7—At Bradley
 - Jan. 10—Kingsport (tentative)
 - Jan. 14—At City
 - Jan. 18—At Maryville
 - Jan. 21—At Tyner
 - Jan. 24—City
 - Jan. 28—Notre Dame
 - Jan. 31—Bradley
 - Feb. 4—Riverside
 - Feb. 11—At Brainerd (1:00)
 - Feb. 14—Red Bank (1:00)
 - Feb. 18—Tyner (1:00)
- Varsity games begin at 7:30. B-team games start at 6:00.



Time Out With Jake

Memories

Next week Tim Thornhill, Rick Holder, Pat Chadd, Reuben Justice, Ronnie Holder, Danny Adams, Jerry White, Earl Newport, Joe Gibson, Mike Combs, Ricky Adams, David Carroll, Mike Hartline, and Bobby Baker may play in their last football game.

Sure, some of these boys may play college ball; after next week, they'll never again wear the purple and gold of Central High School.

All these 14 young men will have after next week game are a jersey, some bruises, and some wonderful memories.

Danny will remember the Memphis Carver game. Rick Oglesby was supposed to take Danny's place in the game for a pass.

Signals got confused. Danny stayed in the game. Coach Etter told Chadd to call time, but too late. The ball was snapped. Pat was rushed. He threw. You guessed it. Danny Adams pulled it in for a touchdown.

Tim Thornhill will remember the time he blocked Brainerd punts. After the game he spoke to some college scouts. The team bus left him. It's a long way to the house from Brainerd.

These seniors think of many different things during football game.

Pat Chadd, what goes through your mind when you see 230-pound tackle crashing through the line toward you? "I wonder why I ever started playing ball. I just want to ignore him and get the pass off. Also, I make sure I get in good with our offensive line."

Reuben Justice, being a three-year letterman, doesn't feel any different playing as a senior? Do you try harder?

"Just like all the other players, I try to play each game better than the one before it. As a senior I have more responsibility. Unlike last year, I have learned not only game patterns but also those of my teammates."

Rick Holder, does a large cheering section really help the team?

"Yes, when the crowd's up, you really feel like playing. When they're not, you don't. We concentrate on the game but we can still hear the cheering. It gives us more spirit."

Tim Thornhill, since the bowl game will be the last ball in your high school career, what will you be thinking about?

"I'll probably remember all the hard work I've put in football at Central, run out into the huddle, and come knowing it's all been worth it."

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NHS Plans For Tapping Of Seniors

By Sharon McGill

Induction of new senior members into the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society will take place in assembly next Tuesday, announces Mrs. Flora Ware, club sponsor.

Scholarship, leadership, character, and service are the standard qualifications which a prospective member must possess.

Representing these four cardinal principles will be Barbara Button, scholarship; Becky Rievely, leadership; Rodena Cook, character; and Amy Hackney, service.

Tappers for the ceremony include Tommy Mathis, Susan Davenport, Betty Hardison, and Shirley Blevins.

The telephone committee composed of Amy Hackney, Rodena Cook, Susan Davenport, Becky Rievely, and Betty Hardison will invite parents of new members to the induction and to the tea following the ceremony.

Honor Society president Jake Arbes states, "These new members will be helping us in the year's project, the publication of a student handbook."

Pounders To Play in First Cystic Fibrosis Bowl

By Jake Arbes and Layton Jackson

It has been a football season full of accomplishments for the 1968 Central Purple Pounders: Coach E. B. Etter's two-hundredth victory, an HIL AA championship, a top ten ranking in the state polls — all being capped by a berth in the first annual Cystic Fibrosis Bowl tonight at Brainerd.

The Cystic Fibrosis Bowl was the brainchild of an HIL committee consisting of 13 area coaches.

It will be an annual game between the HIL AA Division champs and each other team chosen by the committee.

Kingsport, a member of East Tennessee's Big Eight division, will be the probable opponent for the Pounders in the charity game.

Counselors Give Entrance Exams; Advise Students

Seniors who plan to attend college next fall will have the chance to take their SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) on December 7 and their ACT (American College Test) on December 14, states Mrs. Mirvine Okrasinski, director of the Guidance Department.

Giving such tests to college-bound seniors is just one of the many jobs performed by the Guidance Department.

Mr. James Wood, guidance counselor, and twelve girls on the Guidance Staff assist Mrs. Okrasinski in areas related to vocational guidance and high school education as well as college planning.

The counselors analyze and record results of achievement and IQ tests, hold conferences with students' parents, and sponsor College Day for juniors.

At this writing, Kingsport has a 5-1-2 record. To be eligible for a bowl bid, a team must win at least seven games. If Kingsport wins its last tilt, however, the two ties will count as one victory and the Indians will be able to play in the bowl.

Oak Ridge is also a strong contender for the bowl. In previous years Oak Ridge has had a policy against playing in bowls. Three weeks ago, the school board voted to permit the Wildcats to play in one this year if they defeat Knox Central.

Offensively, the Pounders will rely on Reuben Justice, Pat Chadd, Rick Holder, and Henry Radford. Tim Thornhill and Mike Beno are expected to pace the defensive unit.

Thornhill summarized the feelings of the entire team when he stated, "It's great to be on a team good enough to go to a bowl game."

Four Chattanooga Ministers To Speak In Spiritual Emphasis Week Programs

By Mary Snyder

During Spiritual Emphasis Week, December 3-6, the faculty committee for assemblies will introduce a new kind of program when four ministers of Chattanooga speak to the student body, states Mr. J. Pope Dyer, general chairman.

"This is one opportunity the school has to emphasize moral and spiritual principles, especially to

the young people of our school who attend neither church nor Sunday School," commented Mr. Dyer.

Speaking on Tuesday, December 3, will be Dr. J. Fred Johnson, minister of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

On Wednesday, December 4, Dr. Ralph Mohney will speak in assembly. He is the pastor of the

First Centenary United Methodist Church.

Rev. Jack H. McEwen, husband of junior English teacher Mrs. June McEwen, will talk to the student body on Thursday, December 5. Assistant minister of the First Baptist Church, he is also assistant dean of students and physiology professor at the University of Chattanooga.

Rabbi Samuel April of the Bnai Zion Synagogue will close Spiritual Emphasis Week with a discussion of Judaism.

as one of twelve finalists noted for their talent, personality, poise, appearance, and scholastic ability. Practices have been held at regular intervals since the day of notification and will continue through tomorrow afternoon. As a group, the girls will perform a routine they have learned from dance instructor Patsy Brown.

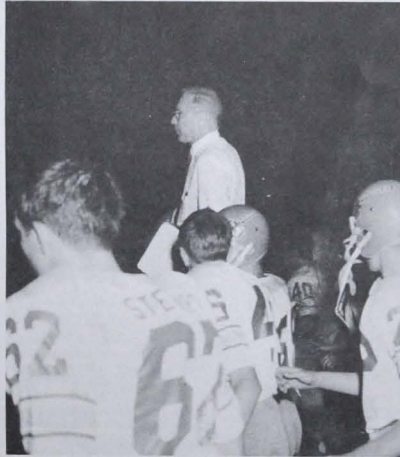
"The only reason I tried out was to gain experience in performing before an audience," Chris explained. "I was surprised when I was named a finalist."

Chris enjoys both singing and sewing as her hobbies. She is co-drum major of the band, chaplain of the Y-Teens, and treasurer of the Student Council.

In addition, she holds membership in Miller Brothers Teen Board and the Usher Staff.

Last summer, she was a delegate to the National Student Council Convention in Dallas, Texas.

For three years Chris has taken voice lessons from Mr. David Pennebaker at Cadek Conservatory.



BOWL BEARINGS—Coach E. B. Etter gets a lift from members of the football team after winning the East Ridge game, which gave them the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl bid.

Senior in Pageant Finals

By Linda Westbrook

Senior Chris Keefe will represent Central High School in the Junior Miss Pageant to be held at 7:30 in the East Ridge Town Hall tomorrow night.

For her talent presentation, Chris plans to sing "A Real Nice Clambake," a selection from the musical Carousel.

Chris was chosen on October 11



Chris Keefe



GETTING TO WORK—Planning projects for the Alumni Association, are front row from left, Mr. Robert Mansfield, Mr. Jerry Summers, and Mr. Floyd Keith. Back row from left are Mr. Terrell Fugate and Mr. Floyd Fuller. Mrs. Flora Ware and Mr. Clyde Willhoit are not pictured.

Alumni Select 1969 Officers To Lead Association Projects

The Central High Alumni Association held its annual banquet, Thursday, November 14 in Nelson Hall to elect officers and to recognize contributors to the school.

New officers for 1969-70 are president, Mr. Jerry Summers; vice-presidents, Mr. Ernie Peagans, Mr. Floyd Keith, Mr. Floyd Fuller, Mr. Richard Mansfield, and Mr. Clyde Willhoit.

Executive vice-president is Mr. Terrell Fugate and secretary-treasurer is Mrs. Flora B. Ware. Mrs. Ware has held this position since 1951.

Retiring officers are president, Mr. Fugate; vice-presidents, Mr. Peagans, Mr. Keith, Mr. Summers, Mr. Willhoit, and Mr. Jim Woods.

Senior class officers, football captains, and the class of 1958 were acknowledged during the program; and Coach E. B. Etter spoke on this season's football team.

Principal W. Hobart Millsaps reported on the progress of the new building on Highway 58; and Mrs. Carolyn Owens Schaefer, Mrs. Tennessee, led the singing of the alma mater.

Mr. Bill Ballinger, ex officio officer, announced that he had been successful in securing an avnil to be placed in a prominent site at the new Central.

The alumni promote many projects during the year to aid the school. They annually present a scholarship to a deserving senior and on Awards Day they give an award to one senior boy and one girl.

"We support the school with any project on which they call upon us," Mr. Fugate commented. This association also furnishes free programs for all home football games.

Edifice Address

Three score and one years ago our fathers brought forth on this site, a new building, conceived in pride, and dedicated to the proposition that it should be kept intact for future generations.

Now we are engaged in a great transition period, testing whether this institution, or any institution so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met in a great era of this institution of higher learning. We must now renew our dedication to preserving this building as long as we occupy it, keeping it as a final testimony of those who here gave their best that education might be furthered.

But, in another sense—we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not care too much for our building. The brave ones, alumni and faculty, who struggled here, have used the building to its fullest extent.

The community will scarcely note, nor long remember what we are saying here, but it can never forget what our alumni did here. It is for us the seniors, juniors, and sophomores, rather, to be dedicated here to preserve (intact and as clean as possible) this building which they have endeavored so nobly these many years to preserve.

It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from our alumni we take increased devotion to the preservation of Central's building—that we highly resolve that these alumni shall not have worked in vain—that this institution this year be presentable and safe—and that education of the students, by the students, and for the students, shall be preserved both in this building and in the building of the future.

— P. S.

Fowl Decries Foul Play

Dear Editor,

Since 1621, humans have persecuted us. They have taken our feathers, they have made wishes over our bones, and they have eaten us.

I have evaded the axe for three years, but I'm no "spring chicken" any more. This year I and many others may utter our last, gobble before going to that giant barnyard in the sky.

But we will not die without a fight. We will not accept any more Thursday dinner invitations. In past years, I've seen too many of my friends go to pot that way.

No longer will we eat our feed mixed with 80 percent sawdust and have our beloved young hatched with wooden legs.

FEATHERED FOWLS, UNITE!

Shake off the chains of man's oppression. Punish man, that heartless creature who has taken us from the forest to the stove.

To achieve our lofty goal, all 51,000,000 of us must work together. On the night before Thanksgiving we must all meet in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

By forming a gigantic circle in this strategic location and wildly fanning our tails in unison, we could form tornadoes that would keep the humans indoors, unable to kill us.

Remember, feathered fowls, I expect to see all 51,000,000 of you on the night before Thanksgiving in Plymouth. Roll call will be taken.

A Militant Turkey



WHY SO HAPPY? They didn't even have electric toasters.

Spotlight on Seniors

Fashion, Professional Golf Careers To Replace Hobbies in Seniors' Lives

By Beth Jeffers

High school interests of Rodena Cook and Wes Gilliland may play a major part in their future careers.

Rodena has been sewing and designing clothes for three years. Her future plans include fashion co-ordinating.

Wes admitted, "I've always played golf." His ambition is to play golf professionally.

Rodena likes to sew and to create clothes. "As a fashion co-ordinator, I could help others make new clothes and new styles. . . I love clothes and shoes," she confided.

"Playing golf is all I do," Wes grinned. "But I plan on making it my life, so I need to practice a lot."

"I get to travel all over the country for tournaments. At Christmas, I go to Miami for the International Junior Orange Bowl Golf Tournament," he revealed.

Before becoming a fashion co-ordinator, Rodena wants to teach elementary school. She explained, "I'd like to teach second or third grade, because the children's minds begin to develop then."

Playing golf isn't really all Wes does. He is active in several clubs and is sports editor of the Champion.

He considers his membership in Key Club an honor, because of the services it performs for Central. He is also an executive member of Student Council.

As president of Disc and Dia-



—Photo by Robert Gannaway. 'SHH!'—While caddying, Rodena Cook finds time to mend Wes Gilliland's golf-club covers as he prepares to putt.

mond, Wes is helping to reestablish that organization. He remarked that his training as lieutenant colonel in ROTC will help him when he goes into the service.

Although Rodena makes many of her clothes, she tries to find time for many school activities. Vice-president of Tri-Hi-Y, Gym Staff, and Glee Club, Rodena is sergeant-

at-arms for the Student Council. "In Tri-Hi-Y, the girls work with us together. They seem interested in another as individuals," Rodena emphasized.

Of Rodena's varied interests, acting is important. She portrays Isabel Lambert in the senior play and plans to continue in dramatics at college.

INSIDE OUTLOOK Thanksgiving - Still The Same?

By Tommy Mathis

"Over the river and through the woods. . ."

Things have changed a lot since the writer of these lyrics penned this old Thanksgiving favorite.

This Thanksgiving Day we'll cross the river on a suspension bridge instead of on the ice. We'll travel through highly-populated suburbs instead of the woods.

And instead of letting the horse find his way to grandfather's house, we'll follow the big green signs on the super-highways.

The icy wind won't sting our toes and bite our nose—instead the warm air of the automobile heater will keep us comfortable.

Yes, it'll be different. But we'll still be happy to see grandmother; we'll still say "hurray" for the fun and the pumpkin pie and the pudding.

And we'll still thank God in heaven for the bountiful blessings of life. That's what Thanksgiving's all about, and that part'll never change.

Plaster, Cracks, Puddles Produce Cautious Pupils

By Sandy Hickman

Since it is obviously impossible to do two things at once, students have limited their cautiousness to either surveying overhead eiders or examining ground hazards. Their discretion can prevent problems, especially when ceiling-watching student does see the floor-watching student is approaching in the opposite direction.

Open for membership to faculty members as well as to students, the club strives "to give individuals the opportunity to use their talents and knowledge for the service of the school," stressed Mr. Ron Cole, club sponsor.

Members are also encouraged to participate in group activities that will assist any other school organization.

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rotunda reflections

Bob Johnson, a '67 Central graduate, received a four-year scholarship from The Chattanooga Times. Bob is a freshman at the University of Chattanooga.

Mrs. Carolyn Schaefer, '58 graduate, is reigning as the 1968 Mrs. Tennessee. She is the sister of Ronnell Owens, Central junior, and was Miss Chattanooga in 1959.

Seniors Jackie Loving and Rachel Grant have been chosen to serve as ushers for the 1968-69 school year.

Girl Designs New Banner For Central

"There was a school flag when I came here in 1943 and this is the first change that I can remember since then," stated Assistant Principal W. Everett O'Neal in regard to the new Central flag.

The banner of purple and gold was presented to the school in assembly November 8 by Mike Hadlock, vice-president of the Student Council.

Designed by Debbie Breen, Council chaplain, the new gold-girded flag has a bright purple background with the school's seal and name engraved in gold.

It will be displayed in the auditorium and at athletic events for the remainder of this year. Next fall the standard will be exhibited in front of the new Central alongside the flags of Tennessee and of the United States.

In order to pay the expenses of the flag and other school projects, the Student Council conducted a sale of miniature school flags.

Miss Mildred Major, Council sponsor, described the sale as "very successful." "It netted approximately \$200 of which \$85 was used to purchase the large school flag," she added.



TERM-PAPER TIME—With aid from Mr. John Heaton, assistant librarian, students select material for term papers. —Photo by Jimmy Burger.

FBLA Initiates Project to Raise Funds For Annual Trip to State Convention

Members of the Future Business Leaders of America recently began their annual fund-raising drive, disclosed Mrs. Clarone Hughes, club sponsor.

Selling Tom Wat Kits to raise funds for the state convention.

FBLA members try to persuade students to purchase stationery, stuffed animals, scented candles, or other novelties as solutions to their Christmas shopping problems.

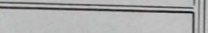
"The items in the kits make good Christmas gifts, and they are all inexpensive," commented Mrs. Hughes. "Prices range from \$1 to \$1.50. Orders may be placed on any of the items and must be paid for when delivered."

Proceeds from the sale will pay for the club's annual trip to the state convention, help the finances of the Business Department, and provide for a scholarship fund for a worthy Central student who plans to continue his business education in college.

Club members are Julie Painter, Jennifer Ledford, Gayle Young, Brenda Cook, Debbie Bouldin, Myra Payne, Pauline Boyd, Becky Bradlock, Debbie Breen, Becky Burns.

Pauletta Carson, Linda Colbaugh, Joan Cosper, Pam Denham, Jeanie Dulin, Nancy Foster, Linda Griffin, Marjorie Hammonds, Brenda

Junior Janis Myhan expressed her opinion of the usefulness of the club by stating, "It gives us an opportunity to learn more about art in and outside the classroom."



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Central's Golden Years

Central's Library Largest Of High Schools in State

By Wayne McCoy

As term-paper deadlines draw nearer, students begin to realize the importance of the helpful services that are rendered by the Central library and its workers.

Originally a branch of the public library, the E. Y. Chapin Library is now the largest and only endowed high school library in Tennessee.

Miss Mullenix, head librarian for two decades, stated, "The library has a varied selection of over 19,000 books, and its main purpose is to serve the aims of the entire school."

"We hope to accomplish this," she asserted, "by providing a rich

variety of books and audio-visual materials, offering assistance in developing techniques for their use, and making services and equipment available for use as instructional aids."

In her endeavors to add new resource materials to at least one department yearly, Miss Mullenix recently purchased new dictation tapes for use in the Business Department. These tapes, which are catalogued like books, may be checked out by teachers for classroom use.

New dictation records have also been added. They are available for classroom use or may be checked out by students for home use.

Other audio-visual aids controlled by the library are filmstrips, transparencies, slides, projectors, tape recorders, and record players while literary aids include books, magazines, pamphlets, newspapers, and numerous reference materials.

Although the library will continue to actively serve the school the remainder of this year, preparations have already been made by Miss Mullenix and Mr. John Heaton, her assistant, for transporting its contents to the new school this summer so that it will be ready for the fall term.

To be located in the school's center pod, the new library will operate as a materials center. One of the new facilities it will handle is the proposed closed-circuit television system.

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Cagers Open Slate Tomorrow Night

Hope To Short City Dynamos In HIL Contest

Tomorrow night, the Central basketball team will open its season by trying to down the Dynamos of City High School in City's gym at 7:45.

Central's starting quintet will probably be composed of guards Larry McGill and Howard Fluellen, center Nathaniel Hunter, and forwards Rudolph Chambliss and Jerry Mackey or Jimmy Indermill. Indermill will probably see action as an alternating guard, announced Coach Gordon Smith.

"Our team should be a better ball handling and shooting club than last year's," commented Coach Smith.

"Our defense is weak," continued the mentor, "but this is mainly due to inexperience and should straighten out after the first few games."

Coach Smith praised the squad for its effort and co-operation during the tryouts.

City, on the other hand, is expected to go with Wayne Blake and Gary Holder as forwards and Darrell Witt and Ken Wilhoit as guards. Randy Russell will hold down the center position, announced Dynamo Coach Jim Phifer.

Blake is the only returning letterman for City, which has its smallest team in years with an average height of 5-9.

"Even though we are small, our speed and desire should bring us victories in some games we were expected to lose," grinned Coach Phifer.

Coach Smith and Coach Phifer, although rivals, do agree on one point: "No matter how good a team is, it will be better if there is more student support."

With only six days rest following the City duel, the Pounders take on Red Bank, the Founders next night by Howard.

Three days later, on December 3, the Purple cagers will battle Riverside, the defending state basketball champions.



UP, UP, AND AWAY — Jimmy Indermill attempts to block Larry McGill's shot in a practice for tomorrow's cage tilt with City.

—Photo by Robert Gannaway.



Time Out With Jake

Arbes

Was It Really a Success?

Today, hours before the end of football season and a day before the first basketball game, I am wondering whether Central had a successful football season or not.

Of course, the Pounders have won the HIL AA crown and many other honors attesting to their athletic ability. But, have they shown good sportsmanship?

Interestingly enough, the football players have, though the fans, on occasion, have not. The gridgers did not lose their tempers when all but one of an opposing team's players walked away from the traditional handshake after the game.

The Avengers

Apparently, Central fans took it upon themselves to become the avengers of these deeds.

Central athletes didn't laugh at a bus loaded with players, crying after their narrow loss to them. They know how it feels to lose. Some of Central's "loyal fans," though, thought it was hilarious to see a 230-pound tackle with tears running down his cheeks.

These same fans also thought it was fun watching cheerleaders try to unite the stands in one cheer to urge the team on to victory. That's why these "supporters" made up their own "cheers."

Is it too late to do something about these "loyal fans" who have barred the Pounders from a truly successful season?

Yes, it is too late. The football season is over, but it's a day before the first basketball game.

Scores, Statistics Show Success of Grid Season

By Layton Jackson

The HIL AA championship and a berth in the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl highlighted Central's 1968 football campaign.

The Purple eleven opened their season September 7 against invading Memphis Carver. Halfback Danny Adams scored twice for the Pounders on an 11-yard run and a 15-yard pass reception from Pat Chadd.

Rick Holder and Chadd scored on one-yard plunges while Mike Reno registered a safety for Central.

Win Number 200

Central and City had their closest game since 1940 with the Pounders winning 14-13. Ricky Holder scored the first Pounder touchdown on a one-yard dive. Bill Oglesby caught a 17-yard pass from Chadd for the second TD, and Jim Barclay booted two extra points.

Adams intercepted a pass in the closing seconds of the game, as Central shaded Riverside 7-6. Reuben Justice scored the lone touchdown, and Jim Barclay added the PAT. The win number 200 for Coach Red Etter, who became head coach at Central in 1943.

In its fourth game Central received 124 yards rushing from fullback Henry Radford in stopping Howard 27-18. Radford picked apart the Tiger defense with runs, one of which was for 62 yards. Radford and tailback Justice had scoring runs of one and nine yards at Central, while Pat Chadd threw scoring tosses of three yards to Ron Holder and 13 yards to Oglesby.

Loss to Lions

Johnny Turner and Rick Holder caught scoring aeriels of nine and five yards, respectively, from Pat Chadd, as the Pounders tapped the Brainerd Rebels 20-7. The win gave Central sole possession of first place in the HIL AA Division. Radford scored for the Pounders on a one-yard scamper.

Even the coolness of the night couldn't stop a fire-up team of Red Bank Lions as they celebrated their homecoming by knocking Central out of the unbeaten ranks 14-7. Lion cornerback Tom Patrick intercepted two Pounder passes, taking one 60 yards for a touchdown.

Red Bank's Joe Cook caught a 23-yard pass for the Lions' score. The Central score came on a five-yard Chadd to T. L. Y. pass.

Ranked in Top Ten

It was homecoming for Central on October 10, and they celebrated by crushing Bradley County 30-0. Justice scored on a 70-yard punt return and on runs of three, six, and twelve yards. Radford scored for Central on a 12-yard run.

Central moved into ninth place in the state rankings by beating eighth-ranked East Ridge. Justice, Chadd, and Radford scored points for the Pounders, and Chadd threw a three-point touchdown pass to Young.

Justice returned the opening kickoff 95 yards for one touchdown and plunged over from the two for another to pace the Pounders over Kirkman 34-7. Central's tallies came on a run by Gale and a pass from Chadd to Young, and a pass interception by Bobby Des.

Team Statistics

(Through Kirkman game)

RUSHING	Carver, Yds. Av.	356	13.2
PASSING	Central, Yds. Av.	102	5.1
ATT. COM. Yds.		162	5.1

Individual Statistics

(Through Kirkman game)

Scoring

Reuben Justice	60
Rick Barclay	10
Rick Holder	10

Rushing

Reuben Justice	Carver, Yds.	178	7.0
Henry Radford		124	13.8
Rick Holder		102	13.6
Reuben Justice, Rick Holder, Jim Barclay lead the Pounders in farsive machine, which has been averaging 22 points per game this season. Justice, who missed Central's opening game due to an injury, has rushed for over 700 yards this year while scoring a team high of 60 points.			

The defensive unit has given an average of only nine points per game.



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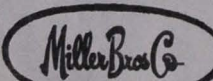
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Principal Estimates June As Time for Completion Of New Central Building

"Like stepping out of one of Wilbur Wright's planes and climbing into a Boeing 707" is the comparison Principal W. Hobart Millsaps used to describe Central's move from its present site to the new location on Highway 58.

The new building, Mr. Millsaps explained, will be ready for inspection and occupation by June 1, 1969.

The county was forced to build a new Central when in April, 1964, the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools threatened a then 57-year-old institution with loss of accreditation unless major repairs were made or plans were drawn up for a new school.

Work on the new building began soon after an informal groundbreaking ceremony on December 8, 1967.

The walls are unique, like much of the rest of the building, because they do not support the roof.

Another of the unique features about the new Central is the fact that it is built in circles. There is one large pod for offices and other service areas. The four pods extending from this house the classrooms.

For example, in pod A, the center nucleon, administrative offices,

infirmary, materials center, and commons, which will serve as a cafeteria and an auditorium, will be located.

Pod B will house the Language Arts Department; Pod C, the Math and Social Studies Departments; Pod D, the Business Education, Industrial and Graphic Arts Departments; and Pod E, the Science and Home Economics Departments.

Although not considered a pod, the house for the Sports and Music Departments will be labeled as G. On the top floor this building will contain a gymnasium, wood and auto shops, rooms for instrumental music, vocal music, driver education, and health classes, and the dressing facilities for indoor sports.

The bottom floor of G will be the armory and the team dressing rooms for outdoor sports.

Outdoor sports facilities will include a football stadium to be constructed in about two years, a football practice field, a baseball field, two softball fields, a track, four hardtop tennis courts, four basketball courts, and a field for ROTC and band drilling.

Offices, in which teachers can counsel students or do desk work, will be located in the center of each nucleon.



—Photo by Mr. Everett O'Neal.

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES—Work nears completion on the new Central gymnasium. Seen is the steel framework of the roof, which will be a triodetic dome covered with a lightweight concrete fill on fiberglass.

New Advisory Committee To Present Speaker in Assembly Next Thursday

The recently organized student advisory committee, composed of student leaders who discuss problems with Principal W. Hobart Millsaps, will present an assembly program next Thursday, states Jimmy Indermill, committee chairman.

Coach E. B. "Red" Etter will speak to the assembly of students and will also answer questions posed by a panel of committee members.

"The student advisory committee," Debbie Breen, the committee's

recording secretary, explained, "is a 'go between' for students and teachers. We are able to discuss problems that arise among the students."

Mr. Millsaps also emphasized, "The committee will provide an outlet for student opinion. If the students feel that they need to communicate with the administration, this committee can be a vehicle for that purpose."

The committee meets weekly on Friday mornings before school to discuss group as well as individual

problems.

In one recent such discussion the group talked about Central's providing a reporter to call in news to WFLI, a local radio station.

Other discussion topics have included school spirit, problems concerning the transition to the new school, and the planning of a domestic exchange program with a New Jersey high school.

"In the end," Mr. Millsaps clarified, "the decision about any particular problem is always mine to make, but I can make it more intelligently with the help of these students."

Committee members include class presidents Larry McGill, senior; Bobby Downs, junior; Paul Luttrell, sophomore.

Tommy Mathis, ROTC cadet colonel; Tim Thornhill, football captain; and Jimmy Indermill, Student Council president.

Seniors Debbie Phillips, Randolph Higgenbotham, and Reuben Justice; juniors Debbie Breen and Ann Smith; and sophomore Joe Hollerbach are also members of the committee.

Tri-Hi-Y Members To Sell Directories in December

"Hello Central," the student telephone directory published by the Tri-Hi-Y, will go on sale next Monday, announces Barbara Button, Tri-Hi-Y president.

The directory contains an alphabetized list of students' names with their addresses and telephone numbers. In the front of the booklet is a list of officers of all clubs and staffs.

In compiling the directory, one of the Tri-Hi-Y's main service projects, the club members copied the schedule cards in the Guidance Department, where they edited and typed the handbook. North Georgia Printing Company printed the book, which will be sold until Friday, December 20, for 50 cents.

Other service projects of the Tri-Hi-Y include the giving of an annual Halloween party for orphans, serving at the Alumni Association Banquet, and polishing Central's trophies.

In addition to the service projects, the club will present a talent show in assembly on December 17.

Barbara states that the talents of the Tri-Hi-Y and the Key Club may be combined for the program.

The Tri-Hi-Y recently inducted sophomores into the club.

Barbara commented, "The main reason we publish the 'Hello Central' is to make the job of finding addresses for Christmas cards or locating friends' telephone numbers easier."

NHS Inducts Seniors, Plans Projects

The Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society recently inducted new senior members and completed plans for the year's service project.

New members are Mitzi Anderson, Gwen Ashburn, Shelby Camp, Brenda Cook, Betty Dedmon, Rebecca Duggan, Carol Dykes, Sherry Edwards, Linda Franklin, Barbara Gardner, Susan Hayes, Ronnie Holder.

Jackie Loving, Jackie Moon, Sandra Morgan, Cheri Moss, Julie Painter, Geneva Roberts, Phyllis

Scoggins, Larry Shadrick, Sybil Smith, and Mike Turnmire.

These 22 seniors will assist the former members in renewing the student handbook, states Jake Arbes, Honor Society president.

Distributed every five years, the handbook includes the rules and regulations of the school, the clubs and staffs at Central, and the program of studies offered.

Susan Davenport, chairman of the project, commented, "The new version of the handbook will be

Student Council Sponsors Food Drive To Aid Needy

The Student Council's annual food basket drive for homeboys will continue through December 20, states Miss Mildred Major, club sponsor.

Jimmy Indermill, Student Council president, said, "It is an annual project to bring joy to needy families at Christmas time."

The Council obtains a list of names of needy families in the Chattanooga area from the Welfare Department. Each person on the list receives at least one basket of food delivered by students and teachers after the annual Christmas program.

To add color to the Christmas gifts, each homeroom representative is responsible for decorating the baskets from his room and making certain that they are adequately filled.

These representatives will take the baskets to the auditorium during the first period on December 20.

"Following the assembly period, the food items will be redistributed in the baskets so that each family will receive a varied assortment of food," said Miss Major.

The distribution of the food baskets will climax the week's activities of December 16-20. Special music programs will be presented by the swing band and the school band prior to the Friday music special by Mr. K. W. Jehn and the Varsity Glee Club.

The Student Council has sponsored the annual service project at Christmas time since 1958.

Senior Invitations

Next Monday, December 8, will be the last day for seniors to order graduation invitations and calling cards at the school bank.

Pearl Harbor: A Reminder

Tomorrow, Pearl Harbor Day 1968, will remind a lot of Americans of the shocking news that was sweeping across the nation on December 7, 1941.

It will remind a parent and wife of the son or husband who died there with his 2,326 comrades.

Survivors of that early-morning raid will remember the bombs and the smoke and the fear. And they will recall the surprise and the confusion and the fear. And they will not soon forget neatly aligned rows of airplanes being destroyed or docked ships, loaded with men, sinking to the bottom of the harbor.

On this eve of the tragedy's twenty-seventh anniversary, young Americans, think for a moment. Think for a moment about the bombs, the blood, the pain, and the fear.

But don't stop there. Think about the brave men who fought with stubborn loyalty that they and millions of others might retain the freedom that they loved.

And note that since that tragic day, almost three decades ago, American soldiers have been fighting and dying on foreign soil — Germany, Korea, Vietnam — for the freedom of others.

After this moment of thought today, pause for a while tomorrow to pay tribute to the thousands of Americans — dead and alive — who have made this country what it is and to say a prayer for the ones who still strive to keep it this way.

—T. M.

Students Speak Out On...

Spirit

As a member of the first graduating class of the new Central High School, I have often wondered what the spirit of my senior class, the Class of 1970, and the underclassmen will be.

I would like to say thanks for the papers we have already received this year. Good luck in the future.

—Kerry Upton

Straight-forwardness

I have a pride for our spirit, even though the old rotunda, an excellent symbol of Central's spirit in the past, will not be with us. However, it is not the building that makes the spirit. It is the vigorous youth of the student body that will really make the greatest school spirit.

I think the Digest is a very good paper. I feel that "it tells it like it is." The Digest is an excellent school newspaper. That is why I read it every week.

—Marcia Wimpee

Senior Play

Let's begin the old school spirit in the new building in a great way by being pioneers of the school spirit in the Class of '70.

—Martha Snyder

Responsibility

As editors of The Central Digest you have a great honor and a tremendous responsibility. This year, our last year in the old building, we want our paper to be even better than before. With the team work of your staff, I know you will work hard to make this one the best.

Many of us as readers do not fully understand the great task which you and your staff have undertaken. We do not realize all the time and hard work

After the curtain rose on the first act of "Miranda," the characters spoke and moved stiffly — then the audience laughed. Almost crying with happiness, the cast relaxed, and the performance continued smoothly.

Without the audience, we could never have made "Miranda" the success we felt it was.

—A Student Actress

(Editor's Note: Thank you, girls for your ideas and kind words. The Digest will be glad to hear any ideas, disagreements, or complaints from other Centralites. Drop signed letters in the suggestion box at the rotunda.)

People, Props, Performance - - Success

By Barbara Button

Without a talented cast, exquisite costumes, and a hard working production staff, the senior play, "Miranda," would have been just a mediocre attempt at entertainment.

After directing her first senior play, Mrs. Frank Robbins is to be commended for selecting the script and giving each scene a natural effect.

Mr. Hillman Mayfield and the production staff deserve much credit for managing the makeup, properties, publicity, and stage.

Steve Watson did a good job of portraying Sir Paul Martens; and Sandra Barnes, Norma Miller and Carl Stone added color to the production.

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Costuming was greatly improved over previous years. With rented tuxedos and color-

Spotlight on Seniors

Game Obligations End With Season; Officer, Majorette Duties Continue

By Beth Jeffers

Although the football season ended two weeks ago, taking spectacular touchdown plays and colorful half time shows with it, football end Ronnie Holder and co-head majorette Cheryl Reed are still busy.

As senior class treasurer, Ronnie helps guide the class. Besides distributing and collecting for the junior-senior project, I haven't had any special duties yet; but I'll have other responsibilities later in the year," Ronnie revealed.

Cheryl's job as majorette isn't over when the football season is. She explained, "Even though the majorettes don't have half time shows to prepare, we practice for talent shows. We're already getting our routines ready for Christmas Night."

Cheryl confided, "I can't explain exactly why I like to twirl. I've been twirling a baton since I was seven years old."

Ronnie is occupied with the Key

Club and C-Club and will begin baseball practice in March.

He admitted, "I like the feeling of accomplishment I get playing football and baseball, but I don't want to play either sport professionally."

Cheryl was a candidate for Homecoming queen and is a military sponsor. On the Key Club calendar, she represents January. Both students are planning to attend college. Ronnie isn't sure

where he is going, but Cheryl tends to go to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Ronnie will major in chemistry. He discussed his future, "I want to be a chemist so I can continue to be interested in math and science."

Cheryl revealed her plans, "After two years of college, I will be a stewardess training. Being a stewardess is the best way I know to meet people and travel — things I've always wanted to do."



BATTER UP—Ronnie Holder just doesn't understand the techniques that co-majorette Cheryl Reed uses in her routines.

—Photo by Jimmy Jay

INSIDE OUTLOOK

Christmas - - What Is It?

By Tommy Mathis

Only sixteen shopping days till Christmas. . . .

I know what you're thinking. It's sort of early to be writing about Christmas. Thanksgiving was only a few days ago and part of you are still eating turkey sandwiches for lunch.

And you're thinking about the multi-colored decorations that have been in the stores since the last of October. . . .

And about how commercialized Christmas has become. You're thinking that the merchants have forgotten good taste so that they can sell their products.

You're thinking that people need to stop for a moment to contemplate upon what Christmas and Christmas spirit are all about.

I agree. But maybe you'll forgive me for writing about Christmas today if my purpose is to emphasize what it means instead of what it is worth to merchants and department stores.

Christmas is giving, not receiving. Christmas is love, not greed. Christmas is a season to thank God for His gift to mankind.

I hope you'll forgive me, because I don't think it's ever too early to write about Christmas if you say the right things.

Teachers Relate Misery; Pupils Tell It Like It Is

By Gayle Young

Centralites' opinions of misery range from cars to pup as shown in the following definitions given in interviews with students and teachers.

Vicki Funk, senior—Misery is a term paper on Peter Mike Baskette, junior. . . . Censored.

Nancy Lewis, junior—Being caught with your Centralite's opinions of misery range from cars to pup as shown in the following definitions given in interviews with students and teachers.

Debbie Phillips, senior—Starting a cheer and discovering that are pointing toward all the wrong goal.

Miss Ann Lovell—A cold gym on a cold day.

Randy Flannell, junior—Being a 135-pound end and trying to fit a 250-pound tackle.

Harold Downs, senior—Going to the field house and having to Coach Archer.

Coach Seaton—There isn't such a thing as misery.

Jennie Harding, junior—Sewing your thumb onto your dress in home economics.

Ruby Justice, junior—Bringing home a "D" on your report card.

Sybil Smith, senior—Losing your senior ring.

Pete Ewton, junior—Learning how to tie your shoes and finding out that you have loafers.

Results of Recent Drives Show Decrease in Totals

The results of three annual projects—the PTA membership drive, the clothing drive, and the fundraising project for the junior-senior fund—were recently released by the organization that sponsors them.

The PTA membership drive, which lasted from October 21 until October 31, enrolled 352 new members.

Concerning the results of the drive, Mrs. C. W. Sedman, president of the PTA, stated, "We didn't get as many members as we wanted, but we would like to encourage anyone to join anytime throughout the school year."

To promote the drive, a contest was held on each floor and a \$10 prize was awarded to the home-

rooms that attained the highest percentage of members.

Winners were Mrs. Reba Fultz, first floor; Coach Stanley Farmer and Coach E. B. Etter, second floor; and Miss Marjorie Ogle, third floor.

This year's total of 10,228 garments fell more than 13,000 short of last year's drive when 23,458 articles of clothing were collected.

The five homesomes that contributed the largest number of garments were Mr. Sam Stoner, 1,637; Mr. J. Pope Dyer, 966; Miss Marjorie Ogle, 638; Miss Lavene Roberts, 426; and Mr. Robert S. Wharton, 424.

To raise money for the junior-senior fund, juniors and seniors sold approximately 1,500 boxes of notecards.

Central Alumnus Reveals Program, Purpose of EIL

"If you like to go places, meet people, and do things abroad, the Experiment in International Living is for you," related former Centralite Russell King, who participated in the program last summer.

Addressing a Spanish Club meeting, Russell and Darlene Ubanks, who also experimented in the program, explained the different phases of their EIL venture.

"The program is designed to help the experimenter know the people and their way of life," explained Russell.

"A participant lives with a family for one month, not as a guest or a boarder but as a member of the family in the country he chooses," he added.

"At the end of the 'homestay' the experimenter and other members of his group tour the country he has visited," continued Darlene.

Concerning the possibility of a Central student participating in the program, Miss Mary Ellen Rice, Spanish teacher, stated, "The students seemed very enthusiastic, and I hope that one of the school clubs or an area civic club will help to raise money to sponsor a Central representative this year."

In regard to this, Mrs. Betty Harner, EIL Council representative, revealed that the council is prepared to give \$200 to the student selected to represent Central

Central Bank Staff Accepts Six New Sophomore Members

After serving a three month probationary period, six sophomore members were recently accepted by Central Bank Staff to assist in the bank, bookstore, and cafeteria.

The new members are Mary Alice Barnett, Renee Hall, Susan McNeely, Patti Sheley, Pam Shipley, and Gail Womack.

To be eligible for membership, students must be recommended by a staff member or teacher, maintain a "B" average, and serve a period of probation. They also must demonstrate honesty, initiative, and courtesy.

As staff members, they are responsible for collecting money for fees, game and movie tickets, bus tokens, stamps, orders for the Champion, bookstore supplies, and other financial transactions.

Central's Golden Years Pounders Get Name, Symbol in 1938

By Wayne McCoy

Because they pounded out yardage, Central's 1938 football players were repeatedly called pounders by local sports writers, and as a result, the athletes, previously known as Purple Warriors, were dubbed the Purple Pounders.

Consequently, former Central Coach Dean Peterson, who is now Commissioner of Education and Health in Chattanooga, thought that a hammer and an anvil with a muscular arm pounding it would be an appropriate emblem for the name.

With this in mind Manager Ben Sparks, '38, made the first sketch of the Pounder emblem that Centralites know today.

In a recent effort to obtain an anvil for display at the new school, Mr. Bill Ballinger, ex officio officer of the alumni association, beseeched radio listeners for a donation.

In response to the announcement, Mr. Bob Loveday, Chattanooga businessman, contributed a hammer and anvil once used by his late grandfather who was a blacksmith in Madisonville, Tennessee.

Commenting on the contribution, Mr. Loveday stated, "I thought the anvil would be more beneficial to everyone if displayed at the new Central although my daughter, who attends Red Bank, had other feelings."



ANTIQUE CONTRIBUTION—Mr. Bob Loveday, left, presents his grand-father's hammer and anvil to Principal W. Hobart Millsaps for placement in the new Central.

Social Studies Students Visit Local, State Courts

By Gayle Young

"Visiting the criminal, state, and circuit courts of our city and state is the present program in my classes," revealed Mr. J. Pope Dyer, sociology and psychology teacher.

On a state level, the classes recently traveled to Nashville, where they visited the state penitentiary and the Capitol. They also toured the Middle Tennessee State University and the Tullahoma Reform School.

In another trip, the students visited Judge Riley Graham's city court, where they observed trials of various kinds of criminal cases.

Concerning the benefit of the city court trip, Mr. Dyer commented, "The students saw all types of criminal cases pertaining to felonies and misdemeanors."

In regard to the different trips, Mr. Dyer concluded, "They give students a good chance to learn about the courts of our state."

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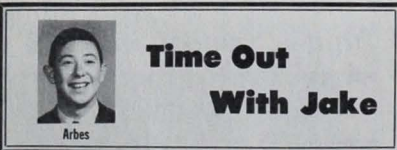
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Time Out With Jake

What's Up, Doc?

Dear Dr. E. E. Litkenhous,

Thank you very much for easing my fears that some day the world might be controlled by a computer.

I must admit that Mr. Gallup and Mr. Harris had me worried when they predicted last month's election to the decimal point.

But, when all seemed lost to automation, you and your "difference by scoring" ratings for Tennessee high school football teams put my faith back in Mom, apple pie, and all the other American ideals.

I first became suspicious of your "computer analysis" scoring system when you ranked Brainerd first in your opening poll.

The very next day East Ridge, ranked 35, "upset" Brainerd 20-7. On the next poll, you made amends by topping the Rebels 36 places in your rating.

By virtue of Central's victory over Memphis Carver, the old-fashioned Associated Press put the Pounders in the top ten. Meanwhile, in the same week, you dropped them from 32 to 59.

Consistent Computer

At least your computer is consistent — it makes the same mistakes week after week. But, on October 17, your computer really blew its coil.

It prognosticated Brainerd over Notre Dame by 16. It was a tie game. Finally, you prophesied Central would win—over Red Bank.

You did, however, pick East Ridge over Tyner. But, why did East Ridge's win cause them to slide from 9 to 13 and put Tyner one place ahead of them at 12?

If that wasn't enough, you stated that the losing Rams would be a one-point favorite over victorious East Ridge if they were to play again the next week.

I don't know what you feed your computer before it makes its weekly predictions, but I wish you had sent a few cases of the stuff to Central. We could have served it at the open houses after the "upset" victories over Brainerd and East Ridge.

Pounders Rap Cookeville In Cystic Fibrosis Bowl

Quarterback Pat Chadd hurried four touchdown passes to lead Central to a 35-14 victory over Cookeville in the first annual Cystic Fibrosis Bowl at Brainerd before a disappointingly small crowd of 2,500.

Reuben Justice, winner of the

Most Valuable Player Award for the game, scored on two Chadd passes and a one-yard plunge.

The Pounders' other two tallies came on a nine-yard pass play from Chadd to Ronnie Holder and a 54-yard Chadd to Mike Reno aerial.

David Carroll led the defensive effort and was named the Outstanding Lineman for the game.

The Pounders ended their regular season by downing Notre Dame 27-14.

For the second time in three years, Central's Coach E. B. (Red) Etter has been awarded "Coach of the Year" by both The Chattanooga Times and The Chattanooga News-Free Press, while his trainees dominated the all-city teams in both newspapers.

Coach Etter won the award by leading his Purple Pounders to a 9-1 slate, winning his two-hundredth victory in the process. He has compiled a 205-54-14 record since taking over the head coaching reigns in 1946. This record cannot be equaled by any other active coach in the state.

Central's Purple Pounders grabbed five first places on The Times' star roll and three on The News-Free Press' first team.

The News-Free Press does not select a coach of the year, but rather a coaching staff. This year's award went to Central. The three members, chosen to be honored with Coach Etter, are Coaches Jack Archer (backfield), Stan Farmer (line), and Jake Seaton (end).

Pounder members of The Times All-City first team were Tim Thornhill, tackle and team captain; David Carroll, guard; Mike Reno, end; Reuben Justice, half-back; and junior Bobby Downs, linebacker.



ALL-CITY GRID STARS—From left, are Reuben Justice, Bobby Downs, E. B. Etter, Tim Thornhill, David Carroll, and Mike Reno, who were recently honored for their outstanding coaching and playing ability in the 1948-49 football season.

Pacing the second team were seniors Earl Newport, guard, and Joe Gibson, back. Honorable mentions were received by seniors Ron Holder, end; Pat Chadd, quarterback; Joe Gibson, Rick Holder, and Danny Adams, backs.

Thornhill, Justice, and Downs were selected to The News-Free Press' star squad team with Carroll, and Reno on the cheer squad. Thornhill and Justice were named to the all-state honor roll mention list by the AP.

Cagers Battle Brainerd Today at 1; Shade City in TSSAA Benefit Game

By Layton Jackson

The Purple Pounders entertain the Tiger Rebels in their home opener today at 1:00 and then move against the Hustlin' Tigers of Howard for the second time in 11 days on December 10.

The Rebels, with Johnny Cunningham and Jimmy Elliott returning from last year's squad, will depend on a fast break in their encounter with the Purple cagers.

Cunningham and Elliott are expected to start at the guard slots with Davis May and Joe Scruggs at the forward positions. Tommy West will probably be starting at center.

In their first encounter with Brainerd last year, the Purple quintet came up with a 59-51 victory while nosing out the Rebels 48-45 in their second tilt.

Central, bombing Howard 70-58 and 67-44 last year, will be out to keep its victory skein unblemished.

The Tigers will rely on the strong shooting and rebounding of 6-6 center Aubrey Allen. Rounding out the probable starting lineup for Howard will be guards Albert Fifer and Mardell Finley and forwards Leon Caudle and Raymond Harris.

Howard hopes to get a balanced attack going to beat Central. "We will use the fast break occasionally but will try to generate a stable offense and defense," stated Howard Coach J. D. Peterson. "We have a tall team and will try to work the backboards."

"The difference between a successful season and a poor season will depend on our ability to hit the outside shot," concluded Coach Peterson.

Central gave basketball fans some idea of what they could ex-

pect this season by downing 41-37 at City in a TSSAA benefit game.

Nathaniel Hunter bombarded baskets with 13 markers, and earned forward Rudolph Charnick added 12 to pace the Purple quartet. Larry McGill was close behind with nine.

The Pounders put the game ice by hitting several layups during the final period after Dynamos started a half-court press.

The game did not count as teams' official season records.

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Clubs Help To Gather Dolls, Toys

By Gayle Young

The Toys for Tots campaign, a project sponsored by the Future Business Leaders of America and the Future Homemakers of America Clubs, began its annual drive November 25.

These Central clubs are co-operating with the Marine Corps Reserve, which repairs the toys to be given as Christmas gifts to underprivileged children.

Gunnery Sergeant Earl McCullough of the Marine Corps stated, "We don't have to have all new toys. We can use old toys and repair them."

The FHA at Central is repairing, cleaning, and dressing approximately 100 dolls for the campaign.

Mrs. Patricia Williamson, sponsor of the FHA commented, "The toys will help bring countless smiles to the faces of many children who otherwise may have been forgotten at Christmas."

Organizations such as women's clubs, school clubs, churches, and the Girl Scouts will also help to mend and to repair the toys at Engle Stadium.

The toys will then be turned over to charity groups in Chattanooga which will distribute them.

Mrs. Clarone Hughes, sponsor of the FBLA, commented, "This project is not limited to members of these clubs but is opened to the entire student body."

All students who wish to donate toys should bring them to room 909 or turn them into an FBLA or FHA member.

Any junior boys interested in trying out for the junior play should speak to Mrs. Frank Robbins, play director, this month. Two plays are being considered. Nine boys are needed for one and ten for the other. Each play requires two to four girls. Tryout dates and play choice will be announced later.



—Photo by Robert Ganaway.

FOOD FOR NEEDY—Adding food and finishing touches to the Christmas baskets are chairman of Mr. Ron Cole's homeroom. From left are Jack Denton, Mr. Cole, and Sharon Crabtree.

Club Plans Holiday Prom; Sponsors Drive for Food

By Marianne Tinker and Linda Westbrook

The Student Council is preparing the seventh annual Christmas prom and sponsoring the annual food basket drive, which will conclude with the annual glee club program on December 20 in assembly.

The "Silver Bells" prom is to be held next Friday at the Hamilton County Pavilion from 8-12 p.m. Mr. Morris Bales, school band director, and his professional band will provide the music.

The beginning of the Christmas holidays will mark the end of the food basket drive. The top five homerooms which have brought in the most food will be recognized at the afternoon assembly.

From Royalty

For the third year, a prom king and queen will be elected. This year the voters will cast their ballots at the prom, and the king and queen will be announced after

the votes are tallied.

Committee chairmen who are helping in the prom preparations are Randy Goins, tickets; Debbie Brown, decorations; Ann Smith, cards; Cheryl Reed, chaprains; George Love, bulletin boards; and Debbie Senterfit, refreshments.

Tickets for the affair will be sold for \$1 per person. The cost for pictures, which must be paid before the prom, will be \$3.12 per couple.

Christmas Musical

The Varsity Glee Club, directed by Mr. Kenneth W. John, will be presenting the annual Christmas program, which will feature spiritual as well as popular Christmas songs.

Accompanists for the glee club will be seniors Mike Lees and Susan Hayes.

Two of the selections will be taken from Handel's Messiah. They are "And the Glory of the Lord" and the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Other selections of spiritual music include "How Far Is It to Bethlehem," "Infant Holy" and "The Drummer Boy."

Popular selections will be "The Sleigh," "Jingle Bells," and "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth."

The performance will be taped by a local radio station and presented at other local high school and college programs at a later date.

Six Central Faculty Members Study Team Teaching Methods at Kingsport

By Terry Woods

A faculty committee recently observed team teaching at Kingsport's Dobyns-Bennett High School and will include their findings in a report to faculty members at a later date.

The investigating committee consisted of Dr. Edward A. Owens, head of the science department; Miss Ellen Mullenix, librarian; Mrs. Valene Webb, typing instructor; SGM Robert Hall, ROTC instructor; Mr. Hillman Mayfield, English teacher; and Mr. James Wood, guidance counselor.

"The purpose of team teaching," Mr. Wood explained, "is to prevent duplication of efforts. Teachers work only with that aspect of teaching that they know best."

"For example," he continued, "one teacher taught a large group

on the Elizabethan period. The group then broke up into smaller sections."

"This division," Miss Mullenix added, "permitted individual drills. The students were placed in special sections where they receive special help or do individual

study."

Dr. Owens was impressed by the organization of the school itself.

"We were amazed to see how smoothly it operated," he stated. "The school has over 1700 students, and there was very little noise between classes."

Chris Keefe Wins City Pageant Title; Becomes Junior Miss of Chattanooga

Senior Chris Keefe was crowned the 1968 Chattanooga Junior Miss at the East Ridge Town Hall on November 23 by Miss Royal Jo Smith, 1968 Miss Chattanooga and a 1968 Central graduate.

Chris, who said she was "excited and surprised" at winning the title, competed with twelve area girls before an audience of approximately 600. The girls were judged on the basis of their talent, personality, beauty, and poise.

With the title Chris was offered a \$200 scholarship at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and a \$100 bond. She is undecided about colleges but thinks she will accept the scholarship and attend UTC.

The winning of this pageant also gave her a chance to become the 1969 Tennessee Junior Miss. The Tennessee pageant, which will take place this month at the Tivoli Theater, will be broadcast on television.

In the talent portion of the contest, Chris sang "A Real Nice Clambake," a selection from the musical Carousel.

Chris has taken voice lessons from Mr. David Pennebaker at Cadek Conservatory for the past three years.

Mr. Larry Johnson, a WDXB radio personality, served as emcee

for the Chattanooga pageant.

Two other area pageants were also held November 23: the Northwest Georgia competition was at Lakeview High School and the Solly-Daisy pageant was at the Solly Elementary School.

Mrs. Carolyn Schaefer, a 1957 Central graduate and sister of junior Ronnell Owens, was a judge for the Chattanooga pageant. Mrs. Schaefer, who is the 1968 Mrs. Tennessee, held the title of Miss Chattanooga in 1959.



—Photo by Robert Ganaway.

CROWNING HONOR—Displaying her trophy and crown is Chattanooga's new Junior Miss, senior Chris Keefe.

Ginger Nye Reigns as Queen In First Cystic Fibrosis Bowl

Senior Ginger Nye was crowned queen of the first annual Cystic Fibrosis Bowl Game on November 22 at the Brainerd High School field.

Ginger received this honor because she sold the largest number of tickets to the bowl game. Mr. Al Miller, a member of the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl committee, crowned the queen.

All Homecoming queens of HHS schools contended for the title and served as Ginger's attendants during the halftime ceremonies.

"I enjoyed selling the tickets because I knew that all the money not used to defray expenses of the game itself would be used for a worthy cause," Ginger stated.



Ginger Nye

Communications Barrier

All of Central's classrooms come furnished with a blackboard, chalk and eraser, a teacher's desk, some books, and 20 to 40 student desks. Most of them have a teacher and 20 to 40 students, too. And most of them come equipped with an invisible communications barrier that puts the teacher on one side and the students on the other.

The teacher sits up at that big desk, stares out at the students, and tries to teach them what he thinks they should know. On the other hand, the students look out the windows or write notes and occasionally catch a word or two from the teacher's lecture.

The solution to the communication problem is really quite simple. It lies in the realization of the two words **exchanging and understanding.**

When students are prepared for their lessons — when they know the facts about each subject — then they can exchange not only these facts but also the more important ideas and deeper, hidden meanings in the subject material.

The exchange of ideas which takes place when a class is well prepared is the first step toward real communication and ultimately toward understanding. —P. S.

Giving — A Privilege

G is for gifts, given unselfishly with the true spirit of love for mankind.

I is for interest in others, which seems insignificant to some but which is actually the foundation of brotherhood.

V is for value, the intrinsic worth of stewardship. I is for individuals, who must work together in order to improve the community.

N is for needs, realistic necessities that some people cannot afford to buy.

G is for gratitude, a sincere "thank you" from the recipients of gifts.

GIVING is an essential part of everyday life. At Central, students can attain a spirit of giving every year by sacrificing time and donations to the Student Council food basket project.

It is the responsibility and privilege of individuals at Central to see that the food basket project is supported fully — with a true spirit of giving to the less fortunate of Chattanooga. —B. B.

Toys for Toby

We sat on the porch, Toby and I, and we talked. Inside the little house Toby's mother sat with the grandparents around the coal stove. Toby's father had deserted them when the little fellow was only three months old.

There was a rusty, two-wheeled wagon overturned in the barren yard. The screen door behind me was hanging on one hinge.

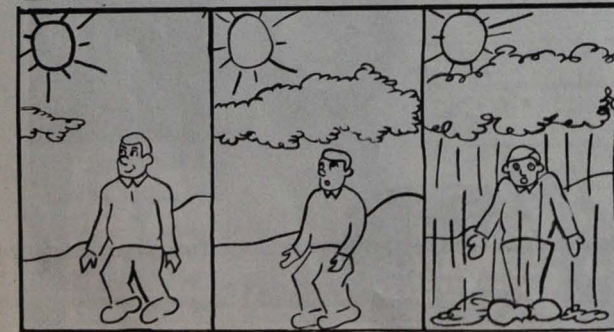
"Toby," I asked, "what do you want for Christmas?" "A bike! Or a new wagon. But I won't get it. Mama says we can't afford nothin' much," he sighed, resting his chin in his dirty little hands.

"What did you get last year?" "Nothin'."

"Nothing at all?" "Well, I got some candy. An' somebody give me some shoes. An' some people bring us a basket of food. That was all."

I must admit now that both Toby and this conversation are imaginary. But I'm sure that without much trouble I could find a lot of Tobys in Chattanooga.

That is why the Marine Corps and Central's FBLA are sponsoring "Toys for Tots." —T. M.



Unlucky Friday the thirteenth? That's a silly superstition. It's ridiculous!

Spotlight on Seniors

Pauline Boyd, Reuben Justice Display Interest in Careers Involving People

By Beth Jeffers

People interest Pauline Boyd and Reuben Justice in different ways. Pauline wants to help people as a doctor; Reuben wants to work with them as a teacher.

Central's National Achievement Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist, Pauline will take pre-medical training at Middle Tennessee State University.

Reuben, who teaches a Sunday School class of young boys, plans to major in education.

Pauline emphasized, "I want to be a doctor—not so much for the money but for the chance to help people. Doctors are needed all over the world."

"I get a kick out of teaching Sunday School, and I like working with people," Reuben explained. "Teaching school is the best way to combine these two."

He continued, "I'm not going to play professional football because I'm not big enough or fast enough."

Pauline has taken business courses, belongs to FBLA, and intends to minor in business in college. She also holds membership in the Bible

INSIDE OUTLOOK

Bad Topic For Bad Day

By Tommy Mathis

Friday the thirteenth may not be a good day to talk about it, but the second quarter is quickly drawing to a close.

I know, it seems that we got our first-quarter report cards just the other day. We've been too busy to notice how fast time is passing.

We've been busy with club meetings and club projects, committee reports, dates, ball games, homework, term papers, and clothing and food drives.

Too many of us have been too busy dating to do homework. Too many have been too busy reading TV to do term papers. And too many have been too busy reading comics to prepare book reports.

And we're going to be busy for the rest of the quarter. The food basket drive is still going on. Then there'll be the Christmas prom, holidays and shopping, and the military ball. And the quarter will be over.

In this "too busy" society, something had to give a little — and I think it was education.

Club.

Pauline confided, "I also wanted to be in an organization that advocated the love of God. I also wanted to be with Christian young people so that from them I can learn better ways to express myself."

For his skill in football, Reuben

was given the Most Valuable Player Award for the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl game, named to the Chattanooga Times and the Chattanooga News-Free Press all-city team, and awarded an honorable mention on the Associated Press all-state team.



—Photo by Jimmy Boyd

JUST FOR A MINUTE!—Hallback Reuben Justice tries to talk studious Pauline Boyd into having a short game of football with him.

Christmas Spirit Brings Rash of Sudden Kindness

By Gayle Young

"Sugar and spice and everything nice—That's what little girls are made of."

But "snakes and snails and puppy dog tails" just doesn't fit the boys around this time of year.

Have you noticed the astonishing sweetness, the amazing actions of boys, and the constant expressions of kindness that are beginning to appear?

For example, your best friend decides to pay back the five dollars he borrowed six months ago. Then he accidentally leaves a note in your mailbox saying he just ran out of Jade East.

On the other hand, the "nice" girls try a helpful approach. In-

stead of writing a Christmas list just to Mom, Dad, boyfriend, and Santa, they send mimeograph copies to all their friends.

The list includes not only gifts wanted but reads, "The print name, address, and number presents available for me."

For the next few weeks, he will be looking stronger and better. They get their daily exercise by carrying their girl friends back up three flights of stairs and then covering they have one minute to mechanical drawing.

It just proves that boys, at times as girls, are made of "sugar and spice" — at times.

rotunda reflections

Mr. and Mrs. David Cox have a new son — Christian Todd, born on November 22. Mrs. Cox taught gym at Central for two years.

Doug McVeay, 1967-68 news editor for the Digest and '68 Central graduate, has been selected to serve on the President's Council at David Lipscomb College. The Council consists of campus leaders who meet regularly with the college president to exchange suggestions and ideas. Doug won his place in the organization because of his position as president of Mission Emphasis.

Former Central football player Bobby Etter kicked a winning 35-yard field goal to take the Atlanta Falcons to a 17-14 victory over the Chicago Bears.

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Spanish Club To Sell Pins For Project

"The El Circulo Espanol, better known as the Spanish Club, has planned a full season of activities," stated Miss Ellen Rice, club sponsor.

For the second consecutive year, the group will sell Central class pins, which have already been ordered.

The club also hopes to make Christmas cards for hospital patients and have a party at a Spanish restaurant.

For the first time in its history, the club will publish a Spanish Club yearbook, featuring the club constitution and other documents.

For entertainment and educational purposes, Miss Rice and some of her Spanish students recently saw the movie, "The Grand Tour of Fabulous Spain," at the Esquire Theater.

This year's activities will conclude with the annual Spanish Club banquet to be held in the spring.

Tony Metcalf is president; Julie Painter, vice-president; Caroline Chasney, secretary; Buddy Childers, treasurer; Robert White, chaplain; and Sid Hearn and Gary Phillips, sergeants-at-arms.

WORKING HARD—Detailed planning is underway as Spanish Club officers prepare this year's activities. From left are Julie Painter, vice-president; Tony Metcalf, president; Carolyn Chasney, secretary; and Buddy Childers, treasurer.

Disc and Diamond Adopts Emblem as Club Ensignia

"A medallion, to be worn on the coat pocket of the ROTC uniform will distinguish the 40 members of the Disc and Diamond Club," revealed SGM Robert Hall, adviser.

Designed by the Art Club, the emblem is about the size of a silver dollar; it is gold and has a purple and yellow design on it.

"Research has been made as to the type of crest that should be placed on the medallion," indicated Mr. Ron Cole, art instructor. "This was done so that we might use the correct principles of heraldry."

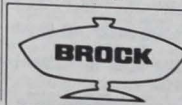
"We think it will look real sharp on the uniforms," commented club president, Wes Gilliland. "Only Disc and Diamond club members will wear them so they will be distinctive of the club," he added.

Showing the cadets' approval of the new emblem, Wes stated, "We hope the use of the insignia will become traditional at Central."

Soon after the second semester, new junior members will be invited to join the club. "The purpose of this is to keep enough members in the club for next year so it will be well organized," explained Sgt. Hall.

Concerning the club, Sgt. Hall concluded, "This club is made up of boys that have a greater interest in military training."

Other officers of the staff are Ginger Nye, secretary; Vicki Marsh, treasurer; Patricia Sheets and Linda Colbaugh, chaplains; and Charlotte Forester and Barbara Button, program chairmen.



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Central's Golden Years Four Men Lead Central During Six-Decade Period

By Wayne McCoy

Only four men have served as Central's principals since its establishment in 1906.

Central's first principal, Professor A. E. Darrah, headed Central until 1912. He supervised the first relocation of Central.

The move is little known by many, but in 1907 the first classes at Central met in one of the buildings in the Ridgedale community. It was early 1908 before the school was moved to the present site.

Four years later, Professor John Ziegler took charge. It was during his term, in 1919, that Central became an accredited member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Probably the principal most familiar to older alumni is Professor Stacy E. Nelson, who began his term in 1921 and served until 1950.

One of the major achievements of his 29 years was that all additions to the original building were completed.

Professor W. Hobart Millsaps, who has headed Central for the past 19 years, completes the list of Central administrators over its past 62 years of service.

During his tenure, Central has accomplished many athletic and scholastic achievements. Mr. Millsaps' leadership was one of the factors which earned Central the 1963 National Bellamy Award for Tennessee.

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Rifle Team Battles CMA Tomorrow

Squad Remains Without Loss In 3 Matches

Tomorrow night, the Central riflemen, with victories over Science Hill, Tennessee Military Institute, and Columbia Military Academy already tucked under their belts, travel to Columbia, Tennessee, for a return duel with CMA.

The sharpshooters, paced by junior Craig Brothers' perfect score in the prone position and overall score of 255, edged Science Hill 988-931.

"I think that I should fire a 275 before the end of the season," commented Craig after the match.

Following Brothers was Howard Thomas, who fired a 253. Both Lawrence Wilbourn and David Howell came in with 240.

"Although all members of the team are capable, Brothers has already fired, and Wilbourn should fire, a perfect score of 100 in the prone position," commented Sergeant Luttrell. "Brothers has fired a 100 and 99 in matches this year, and Wilbourn shot a 99 last year."

Earlier this season the Pounders fired dropped CMA 971-920 as Brothers, Wilbourn, and Thomas all came in with scores of 243. David Howell was just one point behind with 242.

TMI was next to fall to the Pounders 936-907. Leading the way for Central was David Howell with a 244. Brothers and Wilbourn turned in a 238. Lynn Patterson placed fourth with a 220.

The team members fire from three positions: lying flat (prone), kneeling, and standing. Since the prone is the steadiest position, the firer has the best chance to achieve the perfect score.

The standing would be the weakest position, and therefore it would result in the lowest score.

Sports Scope

Wrestling

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Dec. 19—At Soddy-Daisy.....4:00
No basketball games are scheduled.

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FIRING SQUAD—Members of Central's undefeated rifle team pause in preparation for their next match. Front row, from left, are Howard Thomas, David Howell, and Lynn Patterson. Back row, from left, are Lawrence Wilbourn, SFC Luttrell, and Craig Brothers.

Cagers Down Red Bank; Bow to Hustlin' Tigers

By Layton Jackson

Central stopped a last minute comeback attempt by Red Bank for a 49-48 opening game victory but fell the next night to Howard's Hustlin' Tigers 54-43.

Larry McGill scored 27 points and kept the Pounders ahead of Red Bank with some clutch foul shooting late in the game. Behind the shooting of McGill and the rebounding of Nathaniel Hunter and Rudolph Chambliss, the Purple cagers held a 30-19 lead at half-time.

After a slow third quarter the Lions slipped in 21 points, paced by center Pat Renfro, but fell a point short at the final buzzer.

Fouls plagued the Pounder quintet with Chambliss, Hunter, Howard Fluellan, and Wallace Massengill all fouling out.

Howard used a blistering fast break in their victory over Central. The Tigers scored four points be-

fore the Pounders got off a shot and never relinquished their lead.

McGill and Fluellan led the Central attack with 14 and 12 points, respectively. Howard used a well-balanced attack with nine men getting in on the scoring. Marcell Finlay was high point man for the Tigers with 11.

Central's junior varsity basketball team, coached by Mr. Ron Cole, has a record of 0-2 losing to Red Bank 39-32 and to Howard 47-40. Jimmy Barger, Anthony Crutcher, Richard Duncan, and Arthur Finch led the junior squad.

Red Bank Game

CENTRAL (49)—McGill 27, Carr 1, Chambliss 7, Hunter 6, Mackey 4, Massengill 2, Fluellan 2.
RED BANK (48)—Renfro 21, Melton 9, Mabe 5, Ridge 2, Bagan 5, Eldridge 7.

Howard Game

CENTRAL (48)—McGill 14, Indermill 2, Mackey 9, Fluellan 12, Chambliss 4, Hunter 3.
HOWARD (54)—Finlay 11, McGee 6, Caudle 2, Allen 6, Harris 8, Jackson 7, Hicks 8, Rogers 2, Fitchboard 4.

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The first seven are football managers, and the last two are basketball managers. All nine probably work at least as hard as any player you can show me yet receive little or no glory.

A manager must be a doctor, psychiatrist, coach, janitor, and mother.

He has to tape ankles and tend to other injuries a player might receive during a game or practice. He has to wash clothes, sweep floors, and keep things in order.

The managers have to try to keep up the team spirit when the players are down. But, above all, a manager must be patient. He must be willing to work late into the night and on Saturdays.

Not All Work

Since all work and no play make managers dull boys don't think these managers don't play.

Probably one reason the Pounder cagers had such a bad season last year was because manager Steve Holmes burned one set of their uniforms in the dryer—accidentally.

The grid managers, on the other hand, got their kicks by swamping the East Ridge managers 24-13 at Central field house.

You don't see many doctors, psychiatrists, coaches, janitors, or mothers that can play that well these days.

Girls' Volleyball Tourney Brings Noise From Gym

By Sharon McGill and Gayle Young

"Set it up! Hit it over!" is the cry ringing through the physical education classes during the robin volleyball tournament.

The tourney, which began November 25 and will end December 29, is being played in Mrs. Margaret Hammack's and Miss Ann Lovell's gym classes. There are five teams in every period.

Teams will remain in continuous competition until all the teams have played one another at least one time.

Following the robin, a double elimination tournament between the winners in each gym class will be held.

"A good volleyball player must



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Royal Couple To Highlight Holiday Prom

By Mary Snyder

"Silver Bells" is the theme for the Student Council Christmas prom to be held tonight at the Hamilton County Park Pavilion.

Queen and king candidates who were chosen by the Student Council are: Rosena Cook, Ginger Nye, Debbie Phillips, Debbie Senterfit, Sybil Smith, Michele Tinker, David Ashley, Harold Downs, Wes Gilliland, Jimmy Indermill, Larry McGill, and Tim Thornhill.

The people who attend the dance will vote on the candidates, and the royal couple will be announced at intermission.

Dates from area secondary and prep schools will be permitted to attend after a questionnaire is filled out and approved by Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps, principal.

From 8-12 p.m. Mr. Morris Bales, school band director, and his professional band will provide the music. The lead-off dance will be "Silver Bells."

No breaks will include "On a Clear Day," "White Christmas," "Wonderland by Night," "Days of Wine and Roses," "I'll Be Home for Christmas," and "Love Is a Many Splendored Thing."

Tickets for the semi-formal dance are \$2 per couple. The cost of prom pictures, which is \$3, must be paid when tickets are purchased from any Council officer.

Debbie Breen, Tim Thornhill, Ricky Holder, Tricia Pyle, Michele Tinker, Ginger Nye, Debbie Senterfit, Ann Smith, and Jimmy Indermill are in charge of the decorations.

Debbie, who is also on the refreshment committee, will be assisted by Vicki Funk, Gail Coley, and Mitzi Anderson. Randy Finwell, Courtney McInturf, and Tommy Mathis are in charge of getting the tickets printed.

The prom has been held at each Christmas for the past five years.

Varsity Glee Club To Present Christmas Program; To Sing Secular, Religious Selections At 2 O'clock

By Terry Woods



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

VOCAL PARTICIPANTS—Members of the Varsity Glee Club who will sing in today's assembly program are, from left, Linda Griffin, Susan Hayes, Donna Norris, and Mike Lees.

A selection of popular Christmas music will highlight the Varsity Glee Club's annual Christmas program this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The songs, chosen by Mr. Kenneth W. John, music department head, include both secular and religious selections.

The program to be sung by the choir is composed of the following: "How Far Is It to Bethlehem?"—Paul Christiansen

"A Very Merry Christmas"—Dot and Dick Gilbert

"Infant Holy"—Edmund Rubbra

"And the Glory of the Lord"—from Handel's Messiah

"Hallelujah Chorus"—from Handel's Messiah

"The Little Drummer Boy"—Harry Simeone

"The Sleigh"—Konuntz

Program Change

Mr. John said of his choices for the program, "We've been giving either Handel's Messiah or a cantata for the last 12 to 14 years, and we wanted to have a change."

Soloists and their selections are: Linda Griffin, "Oh, Thou That

Tellect Good Tidings"; Alicia Lambert, "What Child Is This?"; Carolyn Chaney, "Sleep, Holy Babe."

Susan Hayes, "Oh, Holy Night"; Theola Coleman, "Sweet Little Jesus Boy"; Nancy Foster, "The First Noel"; Linda Westbrook, "Silent Night"; and Donna Norris, "White Christmas."

Becky Cook and Jan Templeton will sing "Silver Bells." Accompanying the singers will be seniors Mike Lees and Susan Hayes.

Radio Presentation

The presentation will be taped during assembly for the Christmas program on WAPO Radio Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Seven other high school and college choruses will perform after Central's presentation.

Students will be dismissed from school at the completion of the program and will not return for classes until January 6.

Officers of the glee club who will assist in the annual presentation are: Mike Lees, president; Rosena Cook, vice-president; and Linda Griffin, secretary-treasurer.

Coming Events

- January 6—Return to school.
- January 8—Feature movie.
- January 9—Selection of senior superlatives in senior English classes.
- January 9—"Good News" singers in assembly.
- January 15, 16—Semester exams.
- January 16—End of first semester.
- January 20—Report card day.
- January 21—Tennessee Tech Band in assembly.
- January 22—University of Tennessee Band in assembly.
- January 23—Middle Tennessee State University Band in assembly.

Cadets Select Five Queen Candidates For Presentation At January 16 Ball

By Marianne Tinker

Highlighting the annual Military Ball will be the crowning of the Military Queen from one of five candidates selected by the cadets: Cheryl Nye, Debbie Phillips, Cheryl Reed, Debbie Senterfit, and Michele Tinker.

The ball for ROTC cadets and their dates will be held January 16 at the United States Army Reserve Armory. Officers will serve as escorts for the queen candidate whom

they sponsor. The candidates were chosen from the list of military sponsors.

After the holidays the cadets will vote on the queen. The girl receiving the highest number of votes will be queen and the other four will make up the court.

Tickets, which will cost 50 cents per person, will go on sale January 6. A photographer will take pictures of couples.

"The boys are to wear their winter uniforms with white shirts and four-in-hand ties, and the girls should wear after-five attire," stated SGM Robert Hall.

"As in previous years, the girls will wear no flowers," emphasized Sgt. Hall.

Cadets' dates will be restricted to high school girls. All those who wish to bring dates from schools other than Central must fill out forms which may be obtained from the office.

Besides the crowning of the queen by Principal W. Hobart Millsaps, other activities of the evening include the presentation of door prizes and the serving of refreshments, announces Sgt. Hall.

Mr. Morris Bales, school band director, and his professional band will provide the music for the 8-12 affair.

Committee chairmen who have been named to help in preparation are Lynn Carr, entertainment; Wes Gilliland, decorations; David Ashley, tickets; and Barry Odum, refreshments. Sponsors of these officers will assist the committee chairmen.

"We hope as many cadets as can will come," said Sgt. Hall. Other than the cadets and their dates, all the faculty and military advisers are invited.

In past years the Military Ball served as an annual co-function for City High School and Central cadets. When the City ROTC was disbanded, the dance continued as a Central function only.

Principal Names Exam Dates; Semester To End January 16

By Betty Hardison

The first semester examination schedule has been announced by Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Wednesday, January 15		Thursday, January 16	
First period	8:45-10:15	Fourth, fifth periods	8:45-10:15
Second period	10:30-12:00	Sixth period	10:30-12:00
Lunch	12:00-1:30	Lunch	12:00-1:30
Third period	1:30-3:00	Seventh period	1:30-3:00

On Wednesday the cafeteria will be open to serve lunch to the students, but it will be closed on Thursday.

Exemptions from the exams are based on the following: students with A averages for the semester may have four excused absences; B averages, three; C averages, two; and D averages, one.

An unexcused absence will immediately cancel exemption privileges. School service absences do not count against exemptions.

January 17 is in-service training for teachers. Students will not report to school.

Report cards will be issued Monday, January 20, when regular classes will be conducted. As on all report card days, students will be dismissed early from seventh period to turn in cards to homerooms and to get first period grades.



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

ROTC ROYALTY—Anxiously awaiting the Military Ball are queen candidates Cheryl Reed, Michele Tinker, Debbie Senterfit, and Debbie Phillips. Not pictured is Ginger Nye.

As God Gave, So Give

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son . . ."

Almost all students have memorized these familiar lines at some time in their lives. But after constantly repeating the verse, they have forgotten the basic idea of self-sacrifice which makes its meaning so wonderful.

Almost 2000 years ago, the story of God's gift to the world began when He showed His love for all mankind by sending His Son into the world.

With only five days left before Christmas, we are going through all the motions of giving gifts — from purchasing to delivering. But is the important part of Christmas — love — still within us?

During the remaining week before Christmas, we, as children of God, can develop the true spirit of love as He has shown to us. For just as God gave His Son, that He has shown to us. For just as we give of ourselves to so much a part of Himself, we must give of ourselves to our fellow man.

"Ourselves" does not mean money or jewels of similar material gifts. It does not necessarily mean food, clothing, or other donations given just because they are taking up space in the house.

"Ourselves" means something personal. Although we cannot equal God's great gift, we have the capacity to give love; and this can be manifested by giving to others the kindness, respect, and understanding we, too, desire. —B. B.

Old Custom Lives On

"Janus am I: oldest of potentates!
Forward I look and backward and below.
I count — as god of avenues and gates —
The years that through my portals come and go."
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

January honors Janus, as the Roman god of doorways.

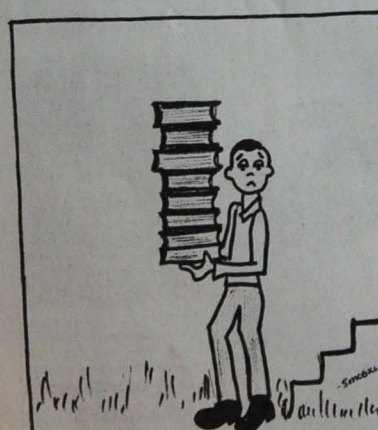
Early Romans believed that the outcome of a year depended on the blessing Janus bestowed upon it. But before he would bless, the mortals had to write New Year's Resolutions.

They had to look over their actions of the past year and decide what they did wrong and what they needed to improve. Then, resolving to do better in the coming year, they recorded resolutions on slips of paper. In an elaborate ceremony, they sent the resolutions to Janus by burning the bits of paper.

Using both faces to look backward and forward, Janus observed the honesty of the people in judging their own actions. If they had been truthful, he would bless their year.

Years ago, Romans quit sending Janus their New Year's resolutions, but people today are still writing them.

Janus wants mortals to think about what they write in their resolutions and purpose to keep them. They should incorporate the hindsight and the foresight of Janus in choosing the resolution which will better them in the year to come. —B. J.



Merry Christmas?

Spotlight on Seniors

Courtney McInturff, Becky Rievley Think People Should Accept Obvious

By Beth Jeffers

Seniors Courtney McInturff and Becky Rievley agree that people shouldn't look for hidden meanings in everything.

Courtney mused, "People are too serious; they look too deep. They're always trying to find too much beneath the surface."

Becky agreed, "Everybody looks for things that aren't there. They want to find a meaning underneath when they should accept things as they are."

Although both students realize people are not perfect, they enjoy being with them and plan to work with them in their careers.

Courtney thinks it would be fun to work with young people as a teacher.

Becky wants to be a beautician or a florist. She explained, "I like to work with my hands. To be really happy, I have to be able to communicate with people."

Courtney and Becky are involved

with many people in school activities.

Courtney participates in the K.K. Clubs' many activities. As chairman of the committee to buy the sign for the new school, he checked the local prices and heads the planning.

He is treasurer of the Band Staff, an executive member of the Student Council, vice-president of the Disc and Diamond, and a member of the Senate.

"School activities aren't getting the support they deserve. Students don't get behind anything 100 per cent; they just form their own opinions," Courtney observed.

As secretary of the Tri-Hi-Beecky helped set up a constitution with the other officers this year. She is a member of the Hunt Society, F.B.I.A., Guidance Staff and Usher Staff and is an executive member of Student Council.



NO! QUIT!—Courtney McInturff protests as Becky Rievley practices her gift-wrapping skills on him.

Russell Hunts for Gifts; Waits for St. Nicholas

By Linda Westbrock

All over the world, Nye before Christmas day, there will be few Little boys and girls who will not be awaiting the arrival of St. Nicholas.

Every Brother(s) and sister will gladly Pyle into bed at 9 o'clock Sharp to wait for Santa Claus.

Parents have Loving(lf) placed Heaps of Green, red, and White candy Caine(s) in children's Christmas Baskete(s).

In one house Russell climbs Down(s) from his bed to Hunt for a trace of his Fine presents. To his surprise he finds only Combs for his sister, a Bishop for his brother's chess set, and a Button for his mother.

Sitting on the Davenport, Mother and Daddy listen to a Christmas Carrol, watch the Wood on the fire Burn into ashes, and eat roasted Chesnut(s). They are unaware of the small Hunter, searching for toys.

Russell's Lively dog, Prince, bites the boy's Leg(s) a Little too hard, making him hit the Wall. Mom and Dad come running to Fine(d) the cause of the noise.

The snowy Cole Weather(s) continues, and the Hard-ison finally goes to sleep.

After a Long night of waiting, Russell finally awakens to the smell of Bacon and eggs and finds a house full of Price(less) toys.

Movies Feature Actors As Liar, Lion, Scientist

The last three full-length movies scheduled for the year include a mystery, a comedy, and a science-fiction thriller.

The Boy Cried Murder, to be shown January 8, is a suspense-packed drama about a young boy who often tells lies. Consequently, his parents don't believe him when he says he has witnessed a murder and that the murderer is after him.

On February 19, Fluffy, a situation comedy, will be shown. The talents of Fluffy, an union-like lion, combined with the acting of Tony Randall and Shirley Jones, make a hilarious story.

Another science-fiction movie, The Time Machine, is scheduled for March 18. Beginning at the turn of this century, this film relates the adventurous episodes of an inventor testing his original time machine. To prove that it works, the scientist journeys through time by entering the fourth dimension.

Played by Rod Taylor, the inventor finally experiences life in the year 802,701 and finds himself well suited to that century. He returns to 1900 but soon realizes that he will be happy only if he returns to the year 802,701.

Juniors Represent Central In Home-Designing Course

By Mary Snyder

Juniors Ruby Justice and Jan Templeton recently represented Central's Home Economics Department in interior decorating classes at Fowler Brothers Department Store, downtown.

"We learned everything from buying upholstery to making checked bedspreads," stated Jan in regard 18 and continued through November 23.

Mrs. Patricia Williamson, home economics teacher, explained that the two students were selected because of their interest in home economics and the fact that they are third-year home economics students.

In addition to learning about interior decorating, the girls participated in the "Create-A-Room" Contest.

Two Juniors Relate Ideas In Magazine

Juniors Sandy Hickman and Debbie Price, home economics majors, are Central's correspondents to *Central Magazine* for the 1968-69 school year.

Appointed by Mrs. Janette Crowley and Mrs. Patricia Williamson, Central home economics teachers, the girls submit their opinions and ideas concerning the school and various extracurricular activities to the editor of the magazine.

The girls were chosen on the basis of enthusiasm and interest displayed for home economics. Scholastic records, along with good conduct grades, also affected their selection.

Margaret Hauser, editor of *Central*, explained, "The correspondents are selected on their qualities of leadership and a motivated outlook toward future organizing."

Besides serving as adviser, Sandy is a member of the Future Homemakers of America, the Intercontinental Club, and the Digest Staff. Debbie is active in the Future Homemakers of America, Future Business Leaders of America, Y-Teens, Student Council, Digest Staff, and Lovemans Teen Board.

INSIDE OUTLOOK: Holidays-- Rest for Weary

By Tommy Mathis

Well, the holidays are practically here — and none too soon.

I think we can all use the respite. Maybe the Thanksgiving holiday spoiled me, but I'm about fed up with research and current events and homework.

I'm tired of taking tests at hearing lectures; and starting about 3:15 this afternoon, I'll be free — for a week or so.

So during the vacation I'll probably get a part time job. And chores for me will turn up around the house.

I'll stay a little later at night and sleep a little later in the morning. And I'll watch a little more TV than usual.

Relatives and friends galore of "drop in," and I'll have a few headaches. I'll eat too much and have a few more stomach aches.

Then, about January 6, I'll be glad to start back to school — can rest up.

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Central Clubs Plan Holiday Projects

By Gayle Young

Entertainment for hospital patients, a French Christmas program, and a fruit cake sale are some of the projects sponsored by Central clubs for the Yule season.

The Red Cross Club, sponsored by Mrs. Valene Webb, plans to make tray favors for patients in local hospitals.

They will also present a special gift to the club's adopted grandmother at Oak Manor and give the other ladies a gift.

Headed by Mrs. Barbara Delaney, the Y-Teens have arranged a Christmas program for the elderly ladies at a rest home and will present small gifts to them.

A French Christmas is being planned by the Intercontinental Club. Supervised by Mrs. Janet Heck, the members have arranged to have French foods and sing French Christmas carols.

The Office Force, sponsored by Mrs. J. Pope Dyer, has been selling fruit cake for their Christmas project. The cakes sell at \$3.50 for three and a half pounds and may be purchased from any office force member.

The Tri-Hi-Y, directed by Mrs. Dorothy Stone, plans to donate the profits from the sale of "Hello Central," school directory, to the Times Neediest Cases Fund.

Central's Golden Years

Tradition Of Giving Part Of Central's Christmas

By Wayne McCoy

With only five days left until Christmas, Central students are involved in the traditional activities associated with the Yuletide season.

Among these traditions is that of giving. Some years ago, Centralites decided to distribute food baskets to needy families instead of having parties or exchanging gifts among themselves.

Associated with the giving of food and presents is the giving of one's time and self. Each year various Central clubs entertain homeless children and elderly ladies by having parties and presenting small gifts to them.

Along with the traditional giving is celebrating a Christmas prom is sponsored each year by the Student Council, enabling students to have one big party for the entire school.

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CHRISTMAS PROJECT—Members of the Red Cross Council prepare favors to be placed on the trays of local hospitals. From left are Miriam Clappor, Shelby Camp, and Debi Jordan.

Senior Girls Take Exams To Find Best Homemaker

The Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Test was recently administered to all senior home economics students by Mrs. Janette Crowley, home economics teacher.

Sponsored by General Mills Incorporated, the test was based on general knowledge and aptitude skills concerning all divisions of home economics.

Girls scoring the highest in their respective schools will become eligible for state competition in which the winner will be awarded a \$1,500 college scholarship.

In addition, the named State Homemaker of Tomorrow and her sponsor will tour Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, Virginia, at the expense of General Mills.

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Cagers Invade Irish Country Tonight

Central's Purple Pounders travel to Notre Dame tonight and then participate in the ninth annual Round Robin Basketball Tournament December 26-28 at MacLellan gym.

The Irish are led by Joe Theobald, who has been averaging 13 points a game.

Guards Terry Enos and Rick Pullman, center Pat Eckenrod, and forward Bill Landry are expected to round out Notre Dame's five.

Competing along with Central in the double-elimination round robin will be Red Bank, Brainerd, and City. The Pounders finished second to City in last year's tourney with a 1-2 record.

In upcoming regular season games, Central takes on Bradley (January 7), Kingsport (January 10), City (January 14), and Maryville (January 18).

All-state guard Richard Fugua scored 19 points as state champs Riverside lowered Central 81-40. The Trojans exploded in the second period, outscoring the Pounder quintet 28-4. Howard Fluean had 15 and Larry McGill 12 for Central.

In its first home game of the season, Central's Purple quintet shaded the Brainerd Rebels 37-32.

Both teams were cold from the field, but the Pounders converted a mass of free throws in the final period to pull ahead of the Rebels before the buzzer.

Rudolph Chambliss paced Central with 12 points; McGill was close behind with nine. Tom West scored



—Photo by Barry Cole

UP FOR GRABS—Pounders Nathaniel Hunter and Jimmy Indermill battle Brainerd players for rebound control.

14 in a losing effort for Brainerd.

In another game, Howard collected 40 points in the last quarter to down Central 99-90.

The Pounders, who were taxed with 40 fouls, had six players foul out. When the game was over, only Rudolph Chambliss, Lynn Carr, and James Sardin were still in action for the Pounders.

Howard committed 39 fouls. Five Tigers left via the foul route, but five players were still in the game when it ended.

Thornhill Picks Vandy

Tim Thornhill, captain of Central's football team, signed a full four-year football scholarship with Vanderbilt University last Saturday.

Tim, who was picked on three all-state squads, said he picked Vanderbilt over the 25 other schools that approached him because, "I felt like I could fit into the surroundings at Vandy better than at any other school."

Pounder Matmen Start Preparing For Red Bank Invitational Tourney

By Russell Cobb

With basketball in full swing, athletes are treating Central sports fans to another type of competition—wrestling.

The Pounder grapplers will travel to Red Bank for the annual invitational tournament January 2 and 3. Last year they took fourth place in the event.

East Ridge, Red Bank, Notre Dame, Chattanooga City, Brainerd, and Father Ryan are among Central's strongest opponents in the tourney.

Coach Jack Archer will be relying on seniors Glenn Rievley, captain; David Ashley, co-captain; Mike Underhill, heavyweight; Re-

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Jan. 2-3	At Red Bank Invitational
Jan. 7	At Red Bank
Jan. 10	Brainerd
Jan. 14	At Hickam
Jan. 15	Bayler
Jan. 21	At East Ridge
Jan. 24	Riverside
Jan. 28	Kirkman
Jan. 30	Notre Dame
Feb. 4	At Howard
Feb. 7-8	Regional Tournament
Feb. 14-15	State Tournament

ben Justice, 165-pound division; and junior Tommy Sedman, 120-pound division.

As of this writing, Coach Archer has several weight divisions in which nobody has tried out. He hopes that by the time of the tournament these vacant spots will be filled.

The matmen are out to better last year's team which placed three men in state competition.

Rievley was state champion while compiling a 12-0 seasonal record in the 103-weight class.

Time Out With Jake

A Mother's Lament

"He'll tear you up. I'll have to send an ambulance to pick up your pieces," lamented my mother when I told her I was going to wrestle David Ashley, co-captain of the wrestling team, on the morrow.

It's the morrow and, my fellow Americans, I come before you with a heavy heart, sore arms, legs, liver — you name it and I've got a sore one.

To make an extremely short story long, David narrowly defeated me 47-0 and pinned me with a little over a minute to go in a wrestling match.

The whole misadventure began when I, jubilant after doing ten pushups in a row and desperate for a sports column, challenged David.

I began preparing myself. I watched live wrestling on TV, said my prayers, and ate a good lunch before the match.

An Amateur Grappler's Lament

Finally, H-hour came. David, the rest of the wrestling team, and I started doing warm-up exercises. David and the rest of the wrestling team continued to do exercises. David continued to do exercises.

After the exercises the match began. For a minute I was on my feet — dancing around, weaving in and out. The David walked out the mat.

Within five seconds he got the takedown. I put up spirited resistance for about ten seconds, but then I became fatigued.

Encouraged by Coach Archer's jeers, I got fancy and tried a reverse.

All of a sudden during the move David let go. I kept reversing myself and ended up right back where I started — flat on my stomach.

What really got me mad was that David told Harold Downs, the referee, exactly what he was going to do and how many points he should get.

About this time, the fried chicken that I had for lunch started winging its way to happier pastures. Oh, the pain!

Every time I tried to move, David moved. My arms ached great very heavy, and I could hardly move.

It Wasn't Fair

Finally, after seven minutes, he pinned me. Seven minutes of wrestling, by the way, feels like seven hours of swimming. I was so tired David had to help me off the mat.

I was quite dizzy. All I could see were white snow flakes. I probably would have fainted, but my body ached too much.

Yes, David won the match, but it wasn't fair. I weigh 163 and he weighs just 137. I was afraid to hurt him because he was so small. Now, if I wrestled someone in my own weight class, it would have been a different story.

Mother said there'd be days like this.

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Underclassmen Prepare Play For February

By Marianne Tinker

Thirteen juniors will perform in the melodrama "Seven Keys to Baldpate," the junior play to be presented on February 21, announces Mrs. J. C. Robbins, director.

The six girls and seven boys who are members of the cast include: Marsha Quimby, Jeanie Hammonds, Ellie Quimby, Deborah Wiley, William Magee, Steve Meyer, Sandy Doane, Mary Norton, Carolyn Chayer, Mrs. Rhodes, Jim Stratigos, Jim Cargan, Steve Crowell, Lou Max, Thomas Hayden, Layton Jackson, John Bland, Henry Radford, Myra Thornhill, Jan Templeton, Peters, Scott Phinizy, Jiggs Kennedy, Rick Wade, Owner of Baldpate, Vicki Alden. Production staff members are Assistant director, Gayle Young, Janice Bueck, Tickets, Janice Bueck, Properties, Laura Bryson, Validity, Marianne Tinker, Make-up, Becky Cook, Prompters, Gayle Young, Vicki Alden.

The play is George Cohan's adaptation of the novel by Earl Derr Biggers. The plot is centered around Mr. Magee, a novelist, who has made a bet with the owner of Baldpate Inn that he can write a play in a day.

Baldpate Inn, a summer resort in the mountains, is chosen as the site for Mr. Magee to work because in the winter it is supposed to be a secluded spot.

"The play has proven to be one of the outstanding dramatic successes of modern times," remarked Mr. Robbins about the recent Broadway production.



—Photo by Jimmy Bagar.

SUPERLATIVE LAYOUT—Debbie Morton and Amanda Rhodes work to perfect the final layout for the senior superlative section of the Champion.

Champion Staff Reveals 1969 Senior Superlatives

By Patricia Sheetz

Barbara Button and David Ashley have been selected by the 1969 Senior Class as their Torchbearers, announces Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, senior class sponsor, and the Champion Staff.

Disclosed today for the first time, the other senior superlatives are Leadership, Debbie Phillips and Larry McGill; Service, Debbie Senner and Jimmy Indermill; Dependability, Brenda Cook and Joe Downs.

Most Likely to Succeed, Patricia Sheetz and David Alcock; Most Athletic, Charlotte Forrester and Tim Thornhill; Best All Round, Ginger Nye and Ronnie Holder; Most Courteous, Cheryl Reed and Harold Downs.

Wittiest, Norma Miller and Jake Arbes; Most Talented, Susan Hayes and Mike Lees; Neatest in Appearance, Kathy Moss and Wes Gilliland; and Friendliest, Michele Tinker and Reuben Justice.

The Scholarship superlatives will

be revealed when the four-year honor students are announced after Mrs. Pauline Ellis, registrar, completes the tabulation of the seniors' grades for seven semesters.

In a special section of the Champion, each of the superlative copies will be shown in one of the scenic areas of Chattanooga.

The Torchbearers' picture will also appear with the inscription, "He who beareth a torch shadeth himself to give light to others." These superlatives "embrace all of the other superlative honors," Miss Morgan explained.

Nominations for the senior honors were made on Thursday, January 9, through the senior English classes. A committee composed of Miss Morgan, Mrs. Maxine Williams, Champion adviser, two feature editors, and the editor-in-chief of the Champion counted the votes. The boy and girl who received the highest number of votes in each case were the final winners.

Each superlative selected by the students has also been approved by the administration.

One senior commented, "In voting for the senior superlatives, I tried to pick the ones who are best qualified and not necessarily the most popular."

Another senior said, "To me, the superlatives of the last class in this old building represent the heritage of the past, the best of the present, and the hope of the future."

Mrs. Reba Fults To Head Committees For Election, Activities of Senior Day

By Terry Woods

Senior Day elections will take place February 17 under the supervision of Mrs. Reba Fults, general chairman of Senior Day, states Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Committee chairmen who will aid Mrs. Fults in the preparations for the annual event are Mrs. Valene Webb, program; Mrs. Dorothy Stone, costumes; Mr. Ron Cole, stage; Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, house; Mr. K. W. John, music.

Mrs. Virginia Summerour, invi-

tations and flowers; Mr. Sam Stoner, reception; Mrs. Patricia Williamson, luncheon; Mr. E. B. Etter, welcome; Mr. Jake Seaton, traffic; Mrs. Pat Coggin, publications; and Mrs. J. C. Robbins, speeches.

"Only those seniors who rank in the upper one-third of the class are eligible for nomination," Mrs. Fults explained. "Leadership, character, and service, however, must also be considered."

The two seniors who receive the most votes will be Mr. and Miss Central, and the eight who receive the next highest number will constitute the court, Mrs. Fults explained.

The crowning of senior royalty was begun in 1933 as a project of the Digest. Feeling the effects of the depression, the paper had difficulty in maintaining a desirable circulation. To increase readership,

only those purchasing a spring issue of the paper in which the ballot was printed were eligible to vote.

This year's program will be held on Friday, March 21, at 10 o'clock a.m.

Teen Musicians Proclaim 'Good News' To Central

What's going on? You haven't heard? Sounds like fun; What's the word? Good News!

That's the word that a group of 92 junior and senior high students, directed by Mr. Jack Kay, minister of music at First Baptist Church, came to Central with on January 9.

"Good News" is a musical folk drama which originated in Nash-

ville and has been performed throughout the nation.

The group was organized a year ago this January when young people from the Oakwood, Concord, and First Baptist Churches were combined to present the drama. Anyone from any denomination, however, may learn the music and join the group, states Mr. Frank Drewery, minister of music at the Oakwood Baptist Church.

Centiles who participate in the organization include Susan Spears, Jayne Arnold, Dale Wyatt, Kay McKay, David Talley, Dottie Wheeler, Nancy Hunt, Amy Hackney, Susie Hayes, Barry Odum, Jim Barclay, Johnny Wilson, Linda Davis, Frances Tribble, and Sandra Trewitt.

"We are trying to get across the gospel in a way teen-agers can understand," remarked majorette Jayne Arnold. "Some people think you miss out on everything by being a Christian; but you really get more. My life is much happier."

Founder offensive tackle Jim Barclay stated, "The Christian life is a big part of me, and 'Good News' is a way to witness to others about the joy and happiness I receive from being a Christian."

Headmasters Club Asks Principal To Join Group

By Barbara Button

Principal W. Hobart Millsaps was recently invited to join the Headmasters Association, a nationwide organization to which only two other Tennesseans belong.

Founded in 1939, the group is composed of at least 75 members from private schools and not over 25 members from public schools.

The organization will hold its annual meeting February 13 and 14

in Rye, New York, where Mr. Millsaps and the other members will exchange experiences and will listen to guest speakers on the subject of high school education.

Commenting on the organization, Mr. Millsaps related, "The association is a distinguished group of men who are concerned with secondary education whether on the public or private level."

Requirements for active membership include being directly involved with secondary education and, if possible, attending each annual meeting.

Mr. Millsaps revealed, "I knew that I had been nominated for membership, but I didn't know I had been accepted until I received a letter in December."

Other Tennessean members of the association are Mr. Spencer J. McCallie from McCallie School and Mr. Robert Webb from Webb School of Knoxville. Dr. Herbert B. Barks, former headmaster at the Baylor School for Boys, is an honorary member.

Coach Edward Test Resigns Central Post for Sales Job

By Jake Arbes

For the second time in 15 years, Mr. Edward Test has put in four years at Central and graduated with athletic honors.

Mr. Test, B team basketball coach from 1964 to 1968 and baseball mentor from 1966 to 1968, brought his active association with Central to a close last month when he resigned to become a salesman for J. B. Roering Pharmaceutical Company.

In 1954 Mr. Test entered Central as a freshman. He lettered three years, led the Pounders to a state basketball crown, and won a cage scholarship to the University of Chattanooga.

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Mr. Test, retiring from teaching and coaching because of "simple economics," said that the high point of his coaching career came in 1967 when he directed his first baseball team to a second place in the state.

In summarizing his feelings after eight years at Central he said, "It afforded me an education, employment, and many happy memories through contact with a group of great teachers and students."

Mrs. Gwendolyn Dargan transferred from J. B. Browning to take over Mr. Test's teaching duties in the Social Studies Department.



Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps

A New Leader

Richard Nixon is the new President of the United States of America — my President. It doesn't matter whether I'm a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent.

I may be a Harvard graduate or an illiterate backwoodsman. Maybe I'm a millionaire or a pauper — a preacher or a criminal.

Perhaps I'm just a worker — white-collar or blue-collar. Maybe I'm a bachelor, a single girl, a dad, a mother, or a young child.

Or I could be one of thousands of 17, 18, 19, and 20-year-old young Americans who will for the first time help to determine the political fate or fortune of the Presidential nominees on Election Day, 1972.

But whoever I am and whatever my occupation may be, Richard Nixon is my President.

I probably won't agree with every decision he makes. But oddly enough, my support, with the support of 200 million other workers, educators, students, dads, mothers, and children, will help to determine the kind of leadership President Nixon will provide for my country in these days of continual crises.

I may be too young to influence the President's decisions, or I may be too old to perform a daring feat for the defense of America. But I'm just the right person to support my leaders.

— P. S.

Think Before You Vote

On February 17 the student body will elect a senior and a senior girl to bear two of the most coveted titles that Central students can receive.

Along with this honor comes a great responsibility, for the seniors chosen Mr. and Miss Central reflect the high qualities of Central High School — its scholastic and program, services to others, training in leadership, and dedication to strengthening the character of every student who enters its doors.

They typify the kind of student the school strives to produce every year; in other words, they should be the superior at Central.

Just as citizens should not want to be represented by an unworthy congressman or senator, so students should not want anyone but the best representatives of should not want to receive these honors.

Each student's vote will influence the outcome of this important election. And whether or not Central's student bodies will be chosen depends on how many students carefully consider the choices before marking their ballots.

— B. B.

Mrs. Janie L. Shropshire

Mrs. Shropshire left us last year after 46 years of dedicated service to Central.

She came back for one day, December 17, as a substitute teacher. That day she attended the annual faculty tea sponsored by the Home Economics Department — the tea of which she, as head of the department, had for so many years been in charge.

And six days later, to the shock and sorrow of Centralites and friends, Mrs. Janie L. Shropshire died suddenly while visiting relatives in Knoxville.

Besides being a devoted faculty member at Central, Mrs. Shropshire had been active in Brainerd Baptist Church and in Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority.

Her death was indeed a great loss to all with whom she was associated.

Spotlight on Seniors

Sybil Smith Loves To Create Beauty; Glenn Rievley Enjoys Individual Sports

By Beth Jeffers

Glenn Rievley and Sybil Smith share a common wish to excel as well as a relationship that began when Glenn exclaimed "She's shorter than me!" the first time they met.

Sybil's height must have attracted him because they started dating the next week. Sybil said, "Next Tuesday will be the end of the fifteenth month we've been dating."

Sybil wants to excel in a hobby, hairstyling. She explained, "It gives me a feeling of satisfaction to be able to create something with my hands. Later, I'll go to beauty school to train to become a beautician."

Glenn wishes to be successful in wrestling. "All boys like sports. Wrestling is the only sport I can do well," he admitted. Last year, he was state wrestling champion in his weight class.

Glenn remarked, "It's an individual sport. You lose or you win, and

you can't depend on someone else who does the blame if you do lose." Besides spending time together outside of school, Sybil and Glenn participate in several of the same school activities.

They belong to the Senate and are executive members of the Student Council. Glenn is sergeant-at-arms of the Key Club, and Sybil posed for December on the school calendar.

He plans on majoring in mathematics. "I'm going to be an engineer. I like drawing; engineering is just a higher form of it."



DOUBLE DUTY—Sybil Smith has a busy time supporting Glenn Rievley both wrestling matches and around the refunds.

INSIDE OUTLOOK

New Year Brings Student Sighs

By Tommy Mathis

Well, 23 days of 1969 have passed, the twenty-fourth has begun, and the cries of "Happy New Year" have been replaced by sighs about how quickly the first semester vanished.

Some seniors sigh either from relief because they were accepted by a college or from disgust because they weren't. And a few of the loyal upperclassmen sigh because they realize that graduation will soon be upon them and that they're going to miss old Central High.

Juniors utter a sigh of contentment in the realization that only one short semester and one very much shorter summer vacation separate them from their senior year — in a brand new Central.

The Class of 1971 breathes a sigh of despair because they have two more years of high school to face — and because they haven't yet awakened to the fact that they'll be sighing the nostalgic sighs of seniors in a couple of years.

Sigh. . .

Hong Kong Disease 'In' For Swingers This Year

Through all the kleenex, sneezes, and laryngitis of this year's "in" disease, the Hong Kong flu stores somehow manage to stay open, schools try to stay full, and the world still moves along (but slowly).

Many stores are trying to combat the flu. Instead of giving customers a copy of the store's latest bargains, clerks hand out a pamphlet that reads, "Drink plenty of liquids, take two aspirin, and get plenty of rest."

Schools cooperate by sending pupils home if they sneeze once. It is rumored that some school boards had cough syrup substituted for water in the drinking fountains. Because of the student shortage, principals no longer look for substitute teachers; they try to find students for the teachers to instruct. Billboards say "Fly to Hong Kong. Escape the flu" because latest reports are that the bug has not hit Hong Kong. Flying to Hong Kong may be the answer as long as people check with their doctors before they leave. Those people shouldn't be surprised if the receptionist says, "I'm sorry, but the doctor is out; he has the flu."

Santa Leaves Presents To Torture Pupils' Feet

The Christmas holidays have flown by, and all that's left is used wrapping paper, clothes that don't fit, and maybe a new pair of shoes from Santa.

The wrapping paper has to be thrown away, clothes have to be exchanged, and shoes have to be broken in.

These new shoes sometimes make it easier to speed down the halls at Central. In fact, some people think they're flying when their shoe heels slide across the newly oiled boards.

If a teacher wonders why it takes so long for a student to go to the blackboard, it's not because he's

lazy. He probably has his shoes off, and his feet are so swollen that he can't get them back on.

It will take a few months break in the shoes and the students will be able to walk a little like any normal person. Well, February, March, April — Oh, Easter, and new clothes. . . shoes. . .

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Mr. Stoner To Assist On Council

By Terry Woods

Mr. Sam T. Stoner, American history instructor, has recently been appointed to a position on the executive committee of the Tennessee Council for Social Science Teaching.

Mr. Stoner was one of twelve teachers in the state chosen to serve on the committee which includes six college professors, four high school teachers, and two elementary school teachers.

"The council was organized to broaden the social studies teaching in Tennessee," Mr. Stoner explained. "The council members help to solve problems, give suggestions for new teaching techniques, secure aids, and deliver speeches at social studies meetings."

The organization works with colleges, secondary schools, and elementary schools and has jurisdiction over many phases of the social sciences such as anthropology, archeology, psychology, sociology, political science, history, geography, civics, and economics.

To discuss the program for these areas, the committee will meet several times this year. The first meeting, scheduled for March, will be held in Nashville.



ALL SMILES—Senior Ginger Nye reigned as queen of the annual Military Ball, January 16.

Gym Staff Initiates 16 As New 'Little Sisters'

By Mary Snyder

"Leadership, good gym grades, and school records determine the final selection of little sisters who are approved by Miss Lovell and myself," stated Mrs. Margaret Hammack, Gym Staff sponsor.

The senior staff members, sponsors, and their little sisters are

Michele Tinker, Karen Askew; Patricia Sheetz, Linda Bonine; Debbie Senterfit, Aileen Bradford; Charlotte Forrester, Barbara Brown. Barbara Button, Cathy Button; Vicki Marsh, Pam Cain; Linda Payne, Cathy Hawk; Ginger Nye, Starr Ivester; Miss Ann Lovell, Jenny Jenkins; Linda Colbaugh, Rhonda Kennedy.

Marilyn Underwood, Susan Jackson, Mrs. Hammack, Claudia Paris; Shirley Blevins, Pam Rogers, Sandra Barnes, Joy Sanders; Gail Coley, Della Shadrick; and Rodena Cook, Karen Weeks.

Duties they will perform along with the Gym Staff will include checking roll, stamping cards, officiating games, leading exercises, taking care of equipment, and running errands.

"A lot of little things must be done, and with our girls' help we have more time to devote to teaching," expressed Miss Lovell, co-staff sponsor.

"Since most colleges choose the recipients of their funds between the first of the year and early spring, a delay in filing could mean that a student would not be eligible for financial aid," commented Mr. Wood.



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Central's Golden Years Former Central Teacher Composer of School Song

By Wayne McCoy

The origin of Central's Alma Mater dates back to 1924 when Mr. Rankin first composed it. These involve basically the changing of single words.

Mr. Rankin, who now resides in Red Bank, says he did not write the song for an alma mater but admits that its selection gave him a good feeling of having contributed to Central tradition.

"The Alma Mater, which begins, 'What a wonderful school is ours to love,' was written to the tune 'What a Wonderful Girl.'"

Assistant Principal Everett W. O'Neal revealed that he, aided by Jimmy Wilson, class of '46, wrote the arrangement which is now used in 1943, when Mr. O'Neal was the director of the Swing Band.

Only a few changes have been made in the Alma Mater since Mr. Rankin first composed it. These involve basically the changing of single words.

Although Mr. Rankin held prominent positions ranging from classroom teacher to superintendent of county schools, he still likes to aid Central in any way possible.

One of his more recent contributions is the collecting of old annuals to add to Central's library. Mr. Rankin made a project of looking through old yearbooks and finding people who might have the volumes of the Champion not already on file.

This, only one of Mr. Rankin's contributions, substantiates the feeling he expressed in his lines of the Alma Mater: "What a wonderful school that I love so well. . ."

Senior David Ashley Gets Air Force Appointment

By Sandy Hickman and Debbie Price

Senior David Ashley, recently appointed as one of three principles from the third Congressional district, is now eligible for admission into the United States Air Force Academy.

Although David and first alternate senior Barry Cole were letters to Congressman Bill Brock, Albert Gore, and Howard Baker Jr. and former Vice-President Hubert Humphrey, their appointment was made by Mr. Brock.

Requirements for this appointment include academic achievements, recommendations, and leadership qualities.

"I am very happy about the appointment, but my absence de-

pends on the result of the physical," revealed David.

Both Barry and David took a civil service exam in November. They are scheduled to take the physical examination in January at the Stewart Air Force Base in Smyrna, Tennessee.

Concerning the appointment Barry commented "My ambition has always been to have a military career, though I admit I was still surprised by the appointment."

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Central Battles City Tonight

By Russell Cobb

Central's Purple five will try to avenge a Round Robin Basketball Tournament loss to the Dynamos of City tonight on Central's court at 7:30.

Barring any more knee or leg injuries and the flu, the Pounders should be in good physical condition for the game.

The outside shooting of Wayne Blake and Ken Wilhoite led the Dynamos in their round robin tournament win and will probably be their chief threat tonight.

The Dynamos are expected to start with Blake and Mark Eaton, forwards; Randy Russell, center; with Darrell Witt and Wilhoite, guards.

The fighting Irish of Notre Dame, paced by the scoring of Joe Theobald and the rebounding of Greg Kimball, invade the Pounders' court January 28 at 7:30.

Theobald, averaging 19.6 points per game, scored 20 points in an earlier encounter with Central.

Other probable starters for the Irish are guards Rick Pullman and Steve Givins and Pat Eckenrodt at center.

Bradley's Bears, employing a blistering fast break and a constant full court press to beat Central in their first meeting, will be out to win again January 31 on Central's home court at 7:30.

The Bears, who have been beaten once, will probably be sparred by Pat Ensley, Steve Williams, and Danny Jones.

Riverside, defending state champions, travels to Pounder country January 4 at 7:30. They have compiled a 12-0 record and are riding on a 40-game winning streak, as of this writing.

The Trojans, ranked number one on all high school polls, have All-State Richard Fuqua as their big gun. He leads all scorers in the HIL with 20.8 points per game.

Earlier in the season, Riverside humbled Central 81-40.

Injuries, Influenza Hurt Pounders in Cage Games

Plagued by a rash of stolen passes and an assortment of injuries, the Pounder cagers fell to Bradley 67-52 and finished the Round Robin Basketball Tournament at City with a 1-2 performance.

Pat Ensley, 5-8 and the tallest member of the Bears' squad, scored 19 points and snagged seven rebounds and nine stray passes to lead Bradley.

Nathaniel Hunter starred for the Pounders with 15 points. Howard Fluellen and Rudolph Chambliss were close behind with 12 and 10 points, respectively.

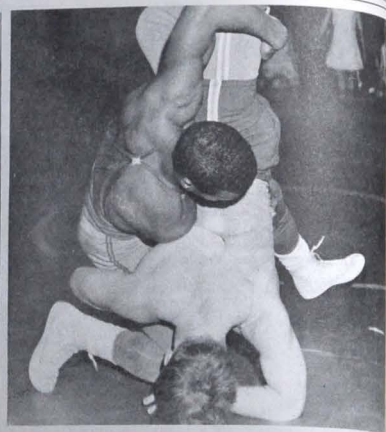
Without the services of Hunter and Larry McGill, the Pounders posted a 55-49 victory over Brainerd but lost to Notre Dame and City 50-40 and 56-50, respectively, in the round robin.

In the Notre Dame encounter, the Irish jumped to a half-time lead which they never relinquished.

ambliss pumped in 20 points to pace the Pounders as they rolled

over Brainerd. It was Central's second victory over the Rebels this season.

Coach Gordon Smith, confined to his home with the flu, was forced to miss the last game of the tourney against City.



—Photo by Jimmy King
MAT JUSTICE—Central's Reuben Justice stands a Brainerd grappler on his head during a recent match. The Pounders fall to the Rebels 24-16.

Sports Scope


Basketball		
Jan. 24	City	Central
Jan. 25	Notre Dame	Central
Jan. 31	Bradley	Central
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Strange Recipe

Take three bugs imported from beautiful, downtown Hong Kong, one stretched socket, and some water on the knee, and what have you got?

No, not a recipe for cookies made in home economics. These strange ingredients go into the makings of a coach—at least, in Larry McGill's case.

On the final night of the Round Robin Basketball Tournament, when the Pounders battled City, all three of Central's basketball coaches were struck down with the flu.

Coach Stan Farmer rose to the occasion and attempted to cover for Coach Smith. However, not knowing any of the plays, he could just pace up and down the sidelines.

Spunky Larry McGill did know the plays, though. And since he couldn't play in the game because of stretched ankle sockets, he started "coaching" his team.

Coach McGill

"You know all the coaches are out with the flu," he told the Purple quintet before the game. "Nathaniel (Hunter) is out with water on the knee. It's going to take a lot of guts to win this one. I can't win it for you. If you want it, you'll have to do it yourselves."

The team wanted the victory, but at the final buzzer they were down 56-50.

"If Larry had coached the night before, when we beat Brainerd, he could have retired undefeated," Coach Smith later chuckled.

Tough luck, Coach McGill—I mean, Larry.

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Purple Grapplers Meet Trojans This Afternoon

Central's grapplers hit the mats with Riverside, the first of four squads the Pounders must face within the next ten days, in Central's gym today at 4.

The Trojans will be led by James Latimore and heavyweight Ike Smith.

On January 28 Kirkman moves against the Purples. The Golden Hawks will rely on 156-pounder Guy Nix and 135-pounder Billy Hines.

Central completes its January schedule against Notre Dame. The Irish matmen, last year's state champions, will probably be sparred by Pezevan Whaley, Reggie Gaddis, and Steve Hammond. Whaley was last year's champion in the heavyweight class.

The Pounders square off against Howard, February 4. Captain Mike Strickland and Nat Jackson are the main threats of the Hustlin' Tigers.

Rebounding from an eighth place showing in the Red Bank Invitational Tournament, the Pounders picked up their fourth win in five matches by bombing powerful Red Bank 34-12.

Coach Jack Archer, Central wrestling mentor, obviously pleased with the victory, said, "I think John Farr (Lion coach) is the best high school wrestling coach around here, and the boys have to do a real fine job when they beat one of his teams."

David Ashley and David Carr pinned their men to set up a win. However, Glenn Riewley sustained his first loss of the regular season.

Even though the Pounders led the tournament, one member commented, "It was real good experience for us and showed us some weak points we could remedy to strengthen the team as a whole."

Glenn and Keith Riewley and Mike Underhill all reached the consolation finals but were defeated, leaving them in fourth place.

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Pupils Hold Conference On Vietnam

By Marianne Tinker and Terry Woods

The Vietnam War and several other major national and world issues were the topics for discussion at the Citizenship Conference held on Thursday, January 23, at the Ridgedale Baptist Church.

"It was to emphasize the importance of good citizenship through outstanding community leaders," stated Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department.

Speakers and discussion groups placed "much emphasis on communism," explained Mr. Dyer, who was responsible for organizing the event which has been held annually for the past 10 years.

Mr. Lee Anderson, editor-in-chief of the *Chattanooga News-Free Press*, delivered the key-note address in which he explained the importance of strong citizenship and outlined the weapons a good citizen must possess to combat communism.

Discussion leaders included the Reverend Marshall Roberson, the Reverend Charles Turner, Mr. Lonnie Melton, Mr. Warren Thompson, and the Reverend John Andrus.

Sgt. Herbert Cagle of Cherry Point, North Carolina, concluded the day's activities with an address in which he explained the effects of communism on the role of the United States in Vietnam.

Sgt. Cagle is a Central graduate and a Vietnam veteran.

The conference, planned for Mr. Dyer's sociology and psychology classes, was attended by approximately 250 students including representatives from several other area high schools.

Seniors Jake Arbes, chairman, and Susan Davenport, secretary, presided over the conference. Debbie Senterfit, Terry Woods, Cheryl Red, Nancy Baker, Cathy Brooks, Sharon McGill, and Theola Coleman served as ushers.



—Photo by Robert Gannaway.

PLANNING FOR COLLEGE DAY—Junior class president Bobby Downs questions Mr. James Wood, guidance counselor, about his duties for College Day.

College Representatives To Visit, Advise Juniors

By Gayle Young

College Day, an annual event for Juniors, will be held Tuesday, February 11, at Ridgedale Baptist Church, announced Mrs. Mirvive Okrainaki and Mr. James Wood, guidance counselors.

Mr. Wood stated that the purpose of College Day is to enable students to choose a college which will fulfill their academic and social needs and to teach them the necessary facts every prospective student should know before applying to a college or university.

"Each junior will meet with three college representatives, two of his own choice, with whom he will discuss costs and the courses and various opportunities the colleges have to offer," stated Mr. Wood.

Assistant Principal W. Everett O'Neal said that juniors will report to their homerooms before going to the morning session.

The morning session will begin at 9 o'clock when the juniors will meet in the auditorium, and representatives from the colleges will be introduced to them.

They will then adjourn to Ridgedale Baptist Church for discussion groups which will last thirty minutes each. There they will have the opportunity to ask questions and gather information concerning the colleges.

After lunch the juniors will reassemble in the auditorium for a panel discussion led by Mr. J. Pope Dyer about why young people should attend college.

During sixth period a film titled "Into the World" will also be shown. Students will then report to their seventh period classes.

Junior Susan Spears commented, "I am looking forward to College Day in order to find out what colleges have to offer and which I would like to attend."

Ronnie Holdaway, junior, added, "I plan to attend the University of Tennessee, and I hope that College Day will give me a better understanding of its requirements."

Approximately thirty colleges such as the University of Chattanooga, Middle Tennessee State University, Carson-Newman, and Cleveland State Community College will participate in this year's activities.

The Usher Staff, sponsored by Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, will serve as hostesses for the college representatives.

Central Students Receive Recognition On First Semester Star, Honor Rolls

Eighty-seven Centralites achieved the star and honor rolls for the first semester, states Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Seniors

Star Roll: David Ashley, Barbara Button, Susan Davenport, Rebecca Durgan, Linda Griffin, Amy Hackney, Betty Hardison, Sandra Morgan, Becky Rievley, Larry Shadrick, Patricia Sheets, Sybil Smith, and Harold Tyber.

Honor Roll: Jake Arbes, Gail Coley, Jeanie Dulin, Susan Hayes, Jimmy Indermill, Phyllis Jackson, Beth Jeffers, Chris Keefe, Tommy Mathis, Jackie Moon, Cheri Moss, Donna Norris, Julie Painter, Debbie Senterfit, and Steve Watson.

Juniors

Star Roll: Vicki Alden, Arthur Finch, Nancy Hunt, Susan Spears, and Judy Stroud.

Honor Roll: Robin Atchley, Jim Barclay, Debbie Barnes, Pam Bishop, Pam Bowman, Janice Braddock, Debbie Breen, Becky Buuck, Kay Clark, Becky Cook, Patti Dukes, Sybil Fleming, Nancy Foster, Judy Higdon, Diane Jones, Bill Kennedy, Frank Key, Nancy Lewis, Julia Massey, Sharon McGill, Tony Metcalf, Steve Meyer, Myrnda Sewell, Joyce Smith, Mary Snyder, Jan Templeton, Marianne Tinker, Debbie Turner, Judy Wmack, and Ola Wood.

Sophomores

Star Roll: John McQueen and Debbie Tatum.
Honor Roll: Kevin Alexander, Sa-

Senior Girl 1969 Winner Of Homemaking Award

By Mary Snyder

Senior Amy Hackney is the recipient of the 1969 Betty Crocker Homemaking Award for scoring highest on the Homemaking Test taken on December 3, states Mrs. Patricia Williamson, home economics teacher.

Approximately 630,600 girls from over 15,000 high schools in the nation took the 50-minute aptitude and written knowledge test on homemaking, which serves as a basis in the Betty Crocker search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Earning the title of Homemaker of Tomorrow for her school, Amy will be awarded a silver charm and a certificate on Awards Day for statewide and national competition.

"I was shocked at winning this contest since I am only a first year home economics student," stated Amy.

Miss Williamson explained, "The annual test is not limited to girls who are taking home economics. Any senior girl can have the opportunity to participate."

The contest is held to arouse interest in homemaking, to enhance the dignity and prestige of the American home, and to emphasize the outstanding contributions being made to the home by high schools and their teachers. Mrs. Williamson further commented.



Amy Hackney

Eight Singers Try for Choir

By Sharon McGill

Eight members of the Varsity Glee Club will try out for the East Tennessee All-State Chorus today and tomorrow in the Brainerd High School auditorium, announced Mr. K. W. John, glee club director.

Those members representing Central are sopranos Norma Miller, Donna Norris and Cheri Moss; altos Linda Westbrook and Linda Griffin; tenors Mike Lees and Anthony Morgan; and bass Steve Roe. Mike will also try out for accompanist.

The students will sing in quartets and octets at Brainerd. Four judges will then choose one singer out of each quartet or octet to sing in the Tennessee Chorus. The choir will perform for the Tennessee Education Association meeting in Nashville, Tenn., at the Chattanooga Central High School Library.

Honor Society Members Elect Semester Leaders

By Sandy Hickman

Barry Odum has been elected the second semester president of Central's Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society. Mrs. Flora B. Ware, the sponsor, has announced.

Other newly elected officers include Harold Tyber, vice-president; Rodona Cook, secretary; Becky Rievley, treasurer; Mike Turnmire, chaplain; Brenda Cook, social chairman, and Julie Painter, program chairman.

Mrs. Ware explained that the officers are elected each semester to meet the requirements written in the society's constitution. Retiring officers from last se-

master are Jake Arbes, president; Barry Odum, vice-president; Patricia Sheetz, secretary; Sandra Barnes, treasurer; Pauline Boyd, chaplain; Barbara Button, social chairman; and David Ashley, program chairman.

Patricia commented that she feels the society has been more of a service than a symbol this year. "Since we have changed our meeting to every Thursday instead of once a month, we have accomplished more," she added.

The new officers will plan the induction of junior members into the society and will continue the project of the student handbook.

Maybe Next Year

President Nixon has been in office only 19 days, so he hasn't had time to solve the Vietnam problem.

There are a lot of men (not boys any longer), already fighting, who would like to see their favorite girl (be it Mom, sweetheart, or wife) next Friday, Valentine's Day.

But they won't be able to, because President Nixon hasn't had time to get anything settled yet. So the men will have to be satisfied with receiving a card (if it isn't lost in the mail).

There are a lot of boys at Central and at other high schools all over the nation who are thinking about their futures — the draft and Vietnam with its swamps, rice paddies, diseases, and guerrilla fighters.

These Americans, both men and boys, love their country. The men are fighting and dying in its armed forces. And the boys want to serve America, but they hope it will be in a different way—for no one truly wants to die.

So they're all looking to the new administration and wondering what the world situation will be about this time next year.

—T. M.

Mission: Possible

Abraham Lincoln was a frontier student who didn't have the benefit of a formal education, but he possessed unusual determination.

Since no qualified teachers lived nearby, he had to make his own arithmetic textbook and work the problems on a homemade wooden slate.

All of Lincoln's studying was done at night after a hard day in the fields. In front of an open fireplace, he read books like *Pilgrim's Progress* and *Aesop's Fables*.

But despite these disadvantages, he became President.

Students of today spend approximately seven hours a day at school with professional instructors. They have up-to-date textbooks and modern equipment to make studying easier.

At night they can do homework in well-lit rooms. And yet with all the modern equipment which facilitates learning, there is no replacement for determination, an important element of Abe Lincoln's achievement.

For with this ingredient an average student can achieve any goal he desires — the honor roll or star roll or even the Presidency.

—B. B.

College Day For All

College Day is important to juniors. In fact, it was originated solely with these middle-classmen in mind.

It would be false to assume, however, that the other two-thirds of the student body cannot profit from this time of contemplation about the future.

College Day should remind sophomores, for example, that they still have five semesters of high school left before their 1971 graduation — five semesters in which they will determine their lifetime vocation and/or the amount of training they will need beyond high school.

The fact that College Day has rolled around again should remind seniors that college testing and application deadlines are fast catching up with those who didn't take last year's College Day seriously.

And for juniors, College Day is the prime time to start making those decisions which were too vague to make last year and will be much too pressing at this time next year.

—P. S.

Spotlight on Seniors

Susan Davenport, Harold Tyber Work Together on Champion, NHS Handbook

By Beth Jeffers

Susan Davenport and Harold Tyber have discovered that school activities can help them to prepare for their futures.

Susan commented, "In planning to become a teacher, I've found that the FTA provides training that I can apply when I begin to teach. Our Guidance Staff helps me in preparation for the college minor, guidance, which I'll go into on an elementary level after teaching a few years," she continued.

Susan plans to teach fifth or sixth grade. "I want to teach the children while I'll still be able to influence them," she explained. She hopes to earn her B.S. degree at UTC.

Harold revealed, "As an aeronautical engineer, I'll be working with airplanes, which I have been interested in for several years. I've designed and built my own model plane."

"Math Club is helping me get ready for engineering. I'm learning to develop perspective in mathematics. Through the club, I've also learned of new fields," he added.

"I'm going to Georgia Tech, which is a good place to train for an engineering career," he commented. "After college, I hope to get my masters degree and work for the government NASA."



PICTURE THAT—Harold Tyber, copy editor, points out new ideas to senior editor Susan Davenport for the '69 Champion.

Carlos Cardenas Returns To America

By Jan Templeton

"When I came, I saw machine. I asked what it was, and it was a Coke machine. We didn't have Coke machines in Peru," remarked Carlos.

Ricardo Lanfranco Cardenas about his first visit to America in 1965.

Now Carlos, age 17, is visiting America for the second time.

Last time he came with a group. This time he's here alone as a representative of the American Youth Exchange program and is staying with senior Bill Crowder.

He is from La Punto, Peru, where the summer vacation ends in March. "We must wear uniforms at my school," explained Carlos, "and here you take only 5 subjects; we take 14."

"They take subjects on a time basis," added Bill Crowder, who visited Peru last summer. "It's sort of like college; they don't take 14 subjects every day."



Carlos

From June 14 through August 21, Bill stayed in Lima with the Carlos Zsar family with the understanding that an exchange student from another family would stay with Bill this year.

Carlos arrived in Chattanooga on January 9 and will be staying with the Crowders until March. This trip gives Carlos the opportunity to view American life other than simply as a tourist.

Carlos has noticed the girls at Central. He commented, "Girls have more liberty in America. Here a girl can start dating at 14, while in Peru, girls never date till they are 16 or 17."

Bill put in, "Dating is different over there."

"Girls can go out with boys, as boys said out girls," Carlos added.

"I liked to go so much," continued Bill.

Bill went to Peru in two years. I went to Peru because my Mom had been reading about the American Youth Exchange program in a magazine said I wanted to go, and I've he stated simply.

On the Champion Staff, Susan is the senior editor. "I've changed the senior section by putting in different types of pictures," she remarked.

Harold is copy editor. "I write copy for the division pages, and helped Susan write copy for the section," he said.

Central's Golden Years

Central Faculty Includes Former Active Students

By Wayne McCoy

An unusual feature of the Central faculty is that 15 of its members are graduates of this school as students, participated in many of the activities today's students enjoy.

Heading the list is Miss Ellen Mullennix, librarian, who took part in such things as the senior play and delectatory contest and at the same time was a four year honor student.

Miss Mullennix is serving as classmates, the now Mrs. Flora Ware, math instructor, and Mrs. J. Pope Dyer, school secretary, were active in many phases of extra-curricular activities.

Mrs. Ware, whose past hobbies include tennis, swimming, and sports in general, was a member of several social clubs and the glee club.

Mrs. Dyer, who was a member of the Bank Staff, shared many of the same activities.

Mrs. Ware Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, head of the English department, describes herself as being "quite shy" but was active in the Science Club, Latin Club, Girls Reserve, and glee club, and occasionally made contributions to the Digest.

Formerly the business manager of a monthly Central magazine, Mr. Hillman Mayfield, senior English teacher, was also active in the Boys Hi-Y and Junior Red Cross.

Coach E. B. Etter depicts himself as an old country boy who was lost at Central and who took part in football and basketball.

Described by the class poet as dashing and becoming to the fairer sex, Mr. Morris Bales, band instructor, played in the band and orchestra. He was also a letterman on the football team and a member of the Senate and National Honor Society.

Serving as president of the Ushers, editor of the Champion, member of the Senate, and secretary to National Honor Society, Mrs. Frank Robbins was very active in Central life. She now teaches reading and dramatics.

(Editor's Note: The other eight faculty members who attended Central will be featured in the next issue of the Digest.)



Miss Mullennix



Mr. Etter



Mrs. Ware



Mrs. Robbins

Printing Classes Offer Aid, Experience



DEMONSTRATING TECHNIQUES—Mr. R. S. Wharton, printing instructor, shows senior Rosanne Douglas how to print the Digest.

As the only school in the Chattanooga area that prints its own newspaper, Central offers printing courses which afford students the opportunity to learn and at the same time to aid the school.

Printing the Digest, absence reports, dismissals, activity tickets, and school programs are only a few of the services that give the students experience for obtaining a job after high school.

As explained by Mr. R. S. Wharton, printing instructor, "The objectives of the printing classes are to learn about the fundamentals of printing, operating the printing presses, and doing job printing."

Central offers a three-year course in printing. First year students learn printing fundamentals such as setting type for small jobs, making proofs, spacing lines, indenting, and setting heads for small material.

Second year students make up small jobs for letter presses, set different kinds of type, and learn how to make all work look attractive. They also learn how to operate the letter press, power paper cutter, and folder machine.

After learning these basics, the third year students aid in printing the school newspaper on the offset press and learn the make-up and photographic work connected with it.

Concerning the prerequisites of a printer, Mr. Wharton commented, "To be a good printer you must have good coordination between your hands and your mind."

Printing is only one subject out of the Industrial Arts Department, which also includes mechanical drawing, blueprint reading, woodworking, and auto-mechanics.

Play Rehearsals Provide Fun, Laughs for Juniors

By Jan Templeton

"I don't know my next line." "Somebody tell me when I come in." "Someone hand me a play book," are cries heard every day at junior play practice after school.

Since most of the actual props have not been put up yet, the cast must run up and down make-believe staircases, peer over un-real balconies, and try to figure out why stage right is really left and stage left is really right. Stage center is the only direction that is not confusing.

Two cast members who did not get their stage directions mixed up still made a mistake. Busily reading their directions—"Center right" and "Center left"—they collided in center stage.

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- Mrs. J. C. Robbins, director of the play, announced several changes and additions to the play cast and production staff.
- Policemen—Steve Hales
- Tom Phillips
- Assistant Director—Laura Bryson
- Prompters—Laura Bryson
- Vicki Alden
- Properties—Mary Snyder
- Publicity—Marianne Tinker
- Nell McCullough
- Janice Myhan
- Becky Cook
- Make-up—Gayle Young

Two New Teachers Join History, English Staffs

By Sharon McGill

Prior to her coming to Central, she taught at Booker T. Washington High School and J. B. Brown Junior High School. Mrs. Dargan stated, "Well, I haven't been here long enough to comment on my new teaching position."

Mr. Wall graduated from Tennessee Temple College. In addition to his teaching job, he works as a photographer for the Chattanooga Times.

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Mrs. Dargan received her B.S. Degree from Spellman College in Atlanta, where she was a member of the yearbook staff.

INSIDE OUTLOOK

Saints' Day Fowl Custom
By Tommy Mathis

St. Valentine's Day is for the birds.

No, I'm not a teen-age Scrooge. I'm just stating the facts.

The conventional belief of medieval times was that on February 14 the birds began to court their mates. Following their example, people began to send love-tokens to those near and dear.

Then, several hundred years ago, a Roman priest and an Italian bishop, both named St. Valentine, were killed on February 14.

In honor of these martyrs, the love-tokens became known as "valentines," as did the recipients.

I'm not against the heart-adorned cards that profess undying love. And I'm not against the boxes of chocolates and pretty flowers.

I'm just saying that Valentines Day, if not for the birds, at any rate is for the birds.

And the holiday is only a week away. All you love-birds better start picking out your love-tokens.

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Wrestlers Battle in Regional Tourney

Central's grapplers begin action in the Region One Wrestling Tournament tonight at New Dame.

Next week the top four winners in each weight class will travel to Brainerd for the Tennessee State Wrestling Tournament. Last year Glenn Rievley won the state championship in the 105-pound class.

Rievley compared last year's Central matmen, who captured sixth in the state, to this year's. "We're really got a much better team this year. This year we are ranked about fourth in the state and should be able to finish within in the state competition."

In previous action the Purple grapplers bombed Riverside 35-1 behind pins by Rievley, Randy Fimmel, and David Ashley. Reuben Justice increased his winning streak to 7-0.

The matmen shaded East Ridge 25-19 in a 16-11 heavyweight decision by Mike Underhill. A pin by Pete Faulkner, the East Ridge grappler, would have won the match, while a decision would have tied it.

Baylor, one of the prep school grappling powerhouse, closed Central 35-9. Central only had three winners in the battle: Glenn Rievley, Mike Love, and Fimmel.

Underhill once again proved to be the deciding factor in the Division match, as he pinned him twice and Central dropped the Wildcats 25-19.

The Brainerd grapplers, though proved to be too much for Central, as they edged the Pounders 24-18.



—Photo by Robert Gannaway.

'TOO LATE, I'VE GOT IT' — Central's Rudolph Chambliss snags another one of his rebounds in the Pounders' 47-43 victory over City. Dynamo Randy Russell (52) was a bit late in the action.

Time Out With Jake



Arbes

New Baseball Coach

The "Flying Dutchman" has taken on a new load of cargo. In other words, Coach Jack Archer has added baseball to his other coaching duties.

Coach Archer has all praise in describing the jobs Coaches Hale, Etter, and Test had done on the baseball team. However, he still has his own style. "I like a team that can hunt often and accurately. Speed is another factor on which the team will have to work," he remarked.

"The team compares favorably to last year's, but, on paper at this time, the pitching looks just a bit weaker," he concluded.

Coach Archer has been interested in sports ever since he was a boy in Dayton, Ohio. He was an All-State halfback at his high school there. Also he was a member of his school's state championship baseball team for three years.

Upon completion of high school he was awarded a grid scholarship to Ohio State for one year and two quarters. In 1955, just as in this year, Ohio State met Southern Cal in the Rose Bowl and won.

Flying High

The "Flying Dutchman" led the way. Well, he didn't lead the way, but he played. I mean, what do you expect, he was just a sophomore?

Coach Archer earned his nickname through Dutch ancestral heritage coupled (hold on to your hats) with his "blistering speed." He ran the 100-yard dash in about 10.5. His weight never "exceeded 172 pounds" in college (No, I didn't make that up. I'm just writing what he said).

Because, or in spite of, his speed he was offered a football scholarship to UC. He accepted and soon after graduation was offered a spot on the Central coaching staff.

So now Coach Archer coaches baseball, football, wrestling, and golf and teaches biology. Besides all that he was named as a referee for the district cage tourney.

Under that load, it's a wonder the "Flying Dutchman" can even take off.

Pounder Firers Prepare For Last Three Matches

By Russell Cobb

Central's rifle team completed its first half of competition undefeated in six matches and is now practicing for its second half encounters with Columbia Military Academy, McCallie School, and Decatur High School of Atlanta.

The Pounder sharpshooters, in their last match of the first half of the season, defeated McCallie 997-973, Sewanee Military Academy 997-925, and Science Hill High School 997-890.

Central's David Howell took high man honors with 263 in the four-way match.

In three earlier battles the rifleman defeated CMA, 971-920; Tennessee Military Institute, 936-907; and Science Hill, 989-931.

Central's team average for the first half was 981. Their opponents averaged 926 points per match.

Howell is the top firer with 262 points per match, followed by Craig Brothers with 247; Howard Thomas with 239; Lawrence Wilborn with 237; and Lynn Patterson with 234.

Brothers has the top score in the prone position with a perfect 100, while Howell has the highest individual score for one match with 263.

Brainerd, Red Bank, Tyner Complete Central's 1968-1969 Cage Campaign

By Layton Jackson

Central's Purple Pounders are preparing to complete their 1968-69 basketball season with three games in one week, the first being next Tuesday.

Central travels to Brainerd on February 11 at 7:30 for its third encounter of the season against the Rebels. Some clutch foul shoot-

ing by Larry McGill carried the Pounder quintet over the Rebels in the first two meetings.

Joe Scruggs, who is averaging 15 points per game, and Davis May are expected to start at forward for Brainerd with Tommy West at center. The probable starting guards are Jimmy Elliott and Johnny Cunningham.

The Lions of Red Bank, hoping to avenge an earlier one-point loss to the Pounders, invade Central country February 14 at 1 p.m.

Red Bank depends heavily on 6-6 center Pat Renfro, who is hitting an average of 20 points per game.

Central plays host to the Tyner Rams February 18 at 1 p.m. in its last regular season game. The Purple five will rely on captains McGill and Rudolph Chambliss to stop the Ram stalwarts, Wayne Combs and Mike Bower.

In three previous games the Pounders dropped decisions to City 59-52, Maryville 64-44, and Tyner 66-42.

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Actors, Production Staff To Present Junior Play 'Seven Keys to Baldpate'

By Marianne Tinker

Tonight, 13 juniors will climax 6 weeks of after-school practice when they present "Seven Keys to Baldpate" at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Tickets for the play can be bought from members of the cast or production staff for 75 cents in advance and \$1 at the door.

Mrs. J. C. Robbins, play director, has described the recent Broadway hit as "a combination of mystery, farce, and intrigue."

It portrays one night of mass confusion in the life of William

Magee, a novelist played by Steve Meyer.

Mr. Magee makes a \$5,000 bet with the owner of Baldpate Inn that he can write a play in a night.

Baldpate, a summer resort in the mountains, is chosen as the sight for Mr. Magee's work because it is supposed to be secluded during the winter.

Mr. Magee has been told that there is only one key to Baldpate, but before the night is over he has 11 visitors, 6 of whom have keys.

Although Mr. Magee has written

about similar scenes in his novels, he has never experienced them. This might he even finds the true meaning of "love at first sight."

"Everybody has his big scene and the parts are well distributed," explained Jan Templeton, alias Myra Thornhill, the blackmailer who appears as one of Mr. Magee's unexpected guests.

Other cast members include Jennie Hammonds, Martha Quimby; Deborah Wiley, Ellie Quimby; Sandy Doane, Mary Norton; Carolyn Chaney, Mrs. Rhodes; Jim Stravigos, Jim Cargan; Steve Crewsell, Lou Max.

Layton Jackson, Thomas Hayden; Henry Radford, John Bland; Scott Phinizey, Peters; Rick Wade, Jiggs Kennedy; Vicki Alden, owner of Baldpate; and Steve Hales and Tom Phillips, policemen.

Members of the production staff are: Laura Bryson, assistant director; Laura Bryson and Vicki Alden, prompters; Janice Buuck, ushers and tickets; Mary Snyder, properties; Marianne Tinker, Neil McCullough, and Janice Myhan, publicity; and Becky Cook and Gayle Young, make-up.

"It is a play where the audience really gets to know the characters, and the cast gets to know each other," Jan stated. "Practicing for the play has been a blast."

Instead of the usual three acts the play has a prologue, two acts, and an epilogue. "This made practicing for the play easier," said Steve Crewsell.

Principal Names Seniors To Four-Year Honor List

Twenty-three seniors have qualified as four-year honor students on the basis of their scholastic records. Principal W. Hobart Millsaps announced recently.

The students are Jake Arbes, Gwendolyn Ashburn, David Ashley, Shirley Blevins, Pauline Boyd, Gwendolyn Brooks, Barbara Button, Rodena Cook, Byron Dalton, Susan Davenport, Betty Jean Dedmon.

Linda Griffin Amy Hackney, Betty Ann Hardison, Thomas Mathis, Cheri Moss, Barry Odom, Rebecca Rievley, Patricia Sheetz, Sybil Smith, Michael Turnmire, Harold Tyber, Steven Watson.

To be eligible for this honor, a senior must have a 3.5 average from his freshman year through the first semester of his senior year. He must have attended Central at least two semesters.

Senior averages are tabulated by Mrs. Pauline Ellis, Central registrar, on the point system. An A is four points; B, three; C, two; D, one; and F, zero.

Chosen from this group of honor students are the faculty and senior class representatives who will speak at the Commencement exercises.

Also during graduation, the four-year honor students will be introduced to the audience.

Barbara Button, David Ashley Achieve Highest Academic Rank in 1969 Class

By Patricia Sheetz

Barbara Button and David Ashley are the valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, of the 1969 Senior Class, announces Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

The two students who rank first and second in the graduating class are named when Mrs. Pauline Ellis, registrar, compiles the averages of seniors for seven semesters of high school work.

The compilation is based on a points system with an A as four points; B, three; C, two; D, one; and F, zero. Barbara has a perfect four point average, and David has a 3.986 average.

Students at Central since the seventh grade, Barbara and David have taken college preparatory math courses, such as algebra and trigonometry, geometry and analytics, and honors science courses, such as advanced biology, chem studies, and physics.

Editor-in-chief of the Digest, Barbara is also Torchbearer of the senior class, president of the Tri-Hi-Y, secretary-treasurer of the Math Club, points chairman of the Senate, executive member of the Student Council, and a member of the Gym Staff and the National Honor Society.

A National Merit Scholarship finalist and senior class Torchbearer, David is president of the Key Club, co-captain of the wrestling team, 1968 Bellamy delegate, and a member of the Math Club, Senate, and Student Council. Barbara plans to attend the Uni-

versity of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she will either continue her mathematics studies or major in home economy.

David, who plans to become an engineer, has not decided whether he will attend the Air Force Academy, to which he has received an honorary appointment, or a technical school, such as Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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Barbara Button

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—Photo by Jimmy Berger.

NOT SO ROUGH!—Mrs. J. C. Robbins gives pointers to Jim Stravigos and Steve Crewsell in final practice for their roles in tonight's production.

Central To Send Singers To County Choir Festival

Central's Varsity Glee Club will be among 300 students participating in the County High School Music Festival at 8 o'clock tonight at Red Bank High School.

Students from six area schools—Red Bank, Tynes, Ooltewah, Hixson, East Ridge, and Central—will rehearse today at Red Bank in preparation for the program.

The festival chorus delegates, directed by Mr. Everett O'Neal Jr., from Red Bank, Miss Jane Reeder from Ooltewah, and Mr. Kenneth

W. John from Central, will present nine numbers.

"In addition each school will have one special number composed of quartets, solos, trios, or ensembles," Mr. John stated.

The special number from Central will be presented by ten boys from the glee club, Steve Roe, Tim Keller, Stanley Patterson, Willie Lane, Sam Taylor, Charles Chavis, Jim Holman, Robert Stewart, Marcus Ford, and Michael Bruntridge will sing "Amen."

Club Names Two To Try For National Boys Title

By Nancy Hickman

Nationwide competition is the next step for senior Larry Shadrick and sophomore Frank Carpenter in their bid for the Boys Club "Boy of the Year" title.

They were chosen to compete for

awards which include national recognition, scholarship grants, and a visit with President Richard Nixon. The selection was made through applications and service to the Boys Club of Chattanooga.

Receiving a \$1,000 scholarship, the national winner will be honored by President Nixon during National Boys Club Week, March 16-22, in a special White House ceremony. Nine regional winners will receive scholarship grants of \$200, and ten sectional winners will receive \$100 scholarships.

Larry is a member of the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society. He is a 12-year member of the Boys Club and is vice-president of its Lookout Keystone Club. In his junior year he served as a Central delegate to Boys State in Cookeville.

Frank is a member of the Bible Club, the Boys Club wrestling and basketball teams, the Lookout Keystone Club, and the Teen-age Boys Council.

Attention!

Seniors will be measured for their graduation caps and gowns next Thursday, February 27.

Juniors must pay the \$5 deposit for their senior rings when orders are taken on March 17.

Apology

In the February 7 issue of the Digest, the following names were omitted from the story about the Citizenship Conference:

Sandy Doane, Rebecca Duggan, David Ashley, Bill Crowder, Charles Chavis, and Joe Downs moderated the discussion groups.

A New Heritage

Since 1907, Central students have striven to make their school the best.

And through these collective efforts Centralites have brought to the school nation-wide recognition and have left their successors a wonderful heritage. But no longer is "Central tradition" reason enough for many students to follow a certain course or to accept a particular custom.

Is this bad? If it is due to original, individual, and logical thinking — no. If it is due to rebellion for the sake of rebellion — yes.

As final preparations are made for moving to the new campus, the students—a vital component of any school—should begin to plan what they want their alma mater to be after sixty-one years at the Harrison site.

Centralites—the ones who work on the heritage that will be passed on to the new Central.

This new page of history should begin on a note of maturity, disciplined democracy, honesty, and respect for God and fellow man; it must be authored through a co-operative effort.

And cooperation is possible only if good relations exist among students, faculty, and administration. Each person must respect the rights of others. And he must realize that with each of his rights comes an equally important responsibility toward self and peers.

Central's past is important, but the future is even more so. And tomorrow depends on what Centralites are, not yesterday, but today.

— T. M.

Trait For All Seasons

When most Americans think of February, they think of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

One of the traits shared by these great Presidents is honesty. Lincoln earned the nickname Honest Abe. Parson Weems has preserved Washington's reputation for honesty in his famous legend about the cherry tree.

Honesty, however, is not a characteristic to be exhibited only in certain times and places by certain prominent persons. Honesty should be demonstrated by the rich and the poor, the educated and the uneducated, and the young and the old.

And it should be demonstrated by Centralites. Period. — P. S.

A Small Step Forward

Teen-agers of today consider the word "rule" an unpleasant one. They often run into it at school or in the community and seek to abolish or ignore the reasons for which it exists.

Many students at Central complain that they don't have enough freedom of choice. They say that their maturity has earned them the right to do many things which are forbidden by the administration.

And yet the people who make school rules notice that these same students lack the characteristic of responsibility. One prime example of this can be seen every day in the cafeteria. After eating their meals many students leave milk cartons and other litter which should be thrown away.

If these young adults believe that they deserve more privileges, they should accept this minor duty which reflects their sense of responsibility to the school.

Several years ago the school sponsored a drive to improve lunchroom habits. The Digest Staff would again like to see this situation changed. If any students have solutions to this problem, they are urged to write a letter to the editor immediately.

— B. B.



Spotlight on Seniors

Superlatives Susan Hayes, Mike Lees Earn Title Singing, Playing Instruments

By Beth Jeffers

Susan Hayes and Mike Lees have been competing with each other for several years. Last year, Susan won the junior music award, and Mike was runner-up. Now, they share the title of Most Talented in the senior superlatives.

Both display their talents mainly in music. They play the piano, sing, and are in the band. "My main interest is music,"

Mike explained. "After graduation, I plan to teach music in public schools and instruct piano and organ students privately. I've already taught piano for two years, and I play for our church."

Mike accompanies the Varsity Glee Club and is the school organist. When a sophomore, Mike participated in the all-state chorus. For the past two years, he has been

in the East Tennessee State Chorus, and last year, he won the grand piano award.

"What I accomplish in music is not for me," Susan said simply. "It's for God."

She has received many honors for flute playing. She has been awarded five superior ratings by the National Federation of Music Clubs and two in a rating sponsored by the Tennessee Education Association, and she won a place in the All-State and East Tennessee State Bands. Last year, she was in the All-State and East Tennessee State Chorus.

Susan remarked, "I started playing piano in fourth grade, because my church needed a pianist. In an eighth grade, I took up flute. I could gain experience in a different technique."

Susan plays in the band and accompanies the swing band. She plays the clarinet and saxophone in the band. Both are band officers.

Both students are members of the Masque Club. Mike presides over the club, directing its plays and skits.

"Acting relieves you of the pressure of being yourself while you portray another person on stage," he commented.

Mike has participated in the junior and senior plays, Masque Club skits, and two Champs Nights.



TALENTED TWOSOME—Mike Lees practices vocal selections with Susan Hayes as they take time out from their busy schedules. —Photo by Robert Gannaway.

Central Students Eat Peanut Butter On Everything From Apples to Gravy

By Gayle Young

Centralites' unusual tastes range from smoked oysters to peanut butter and mayonnaise, as shown in the following survey of students and teachers.

Mike Haddock, junior—The most unusual and best food that I have ever had is fermented pineapples and cherries over vanilla ice cream.

Gene Runyan, senior—Chili for breakfast.

Mike Stevenson, junior—Peanut butter and cornbread.

Mike Puryear, senior—Ice cream and toast.

Reuben Justice, senior—Potato sandwich.

Mike Basket, junior—S h r i m p pizza.

Danny Sharp, sophomore—Spaghetti and bananas.

Bart Slatton, junior—Peanut butter, bananas, and mayonnaise.

Dale Wyatt, junior—Peanut butter and apple butter on hamburgers.

Walt Kasper, sophomore—Peanut butter and tomatoes on crackers.

Jennifer Ledford, senior—Cornbread and mayonnaise.

Miles Shaesten, junior—Sardines, boiled eggs, pickles, and crackers.

Coach Archer — Cheese omelet with catsup.

Becky Thurston, senior—Mustard on French fries.

Tommy Youngblood, sophomore—Lettuce, bananas, cherry, pecans, and mayonnaise sandwich.

Susan Speers, junior—Lee.

Mr. Hoover—Sardine and banana sandwich.

Jimmy Indermill, senior—A fish with head and tail cooked on it.

Jake Arbes, senior—Matzoh balls and gefilte fish.

Mishaps Cause Doubts

By Tommy Mathis

"I hope I get to graduate from the old Central."

I wasn't one of the skeptics who exclaimed that we didn't need a new Central. I knew about the creaky stairs, the falling plaster, and the cracked paint.

But I trusted the old building to last till May, 1969. So when I heard the scheduled completion date for the new Central, I was "glad that I get to graduate from the old Central."

Matters, however, have worsened.

The plaster falls more often; the steps creak a little more; and now the roof leaks.

If something isn't done, the Military Department, with its flooded armory, may have to convert to Navy ROTC. And the Math Department may have to give swimming lessons.

I hate to admit it, but I have developed slight doubts about our school. "I DO HOPE I get to graduate from the old Central."

Gym Staff Chooses Two Sweethearts

By Wayne McCoy



DUAL HONOR — Charlotte Forrester, left, and Gail Coley discuss the excitement of the recent Gym Staff banquet where they were named co-Sweethearts. —Photo by Jimmy Baiger.

For the first time in Central's history two girls, Gail Coley and Charlotte Forrester, have been named co-Sweethearts of the Gym Staff.

Named at the recent annual banquet, Gail and Charlotte each received the same number of popular votes from the staff.

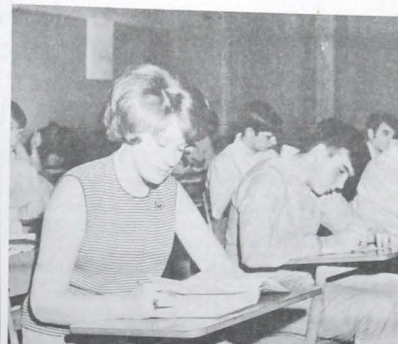
Besides being president and three-year member of the Gym Staff, Gail represents the month of November as a Key Club Calendar Girl and is a representative of the Jo-Ann Teen Board.

She is also publicity chairman of the Student Council, a member of Central's volleyball squad, a second lieutenant in the band, and winner of the underclassmen physical education award last year.

Charlotte, also a three-year member of the staff, serves as captain of the volleyball team and program chairman of the Gym Staff and was selected Most Athletic Girl in the senior superlatives.

Each year, the junior members of the staff entertain the Sweetheart and senior staff members at the banquet, which was held at the Town and Country Restaurant.

Providing a portion of the evening's entertainment, the little sisters performed assigned songs, dances, and stunts. These acts concluded their six-week initiation period.



HARD AT WORK — Barbara Button and other college-bound students prepare answers to problems in Mr. Gordon Smith's analytics class. —Photo by Jimmy Baiger.

Central's Golden Years

Central's Faculty Alumni Leaders In Many Ways

By Wayne McCoy

(Editor's Note: This is a continuation of last issue's tradition column.)

As an English student of Miss Elie Mullenix, librarian, Miss Sibbie Ruth Hodges was a member of the Usher Staff and Tri-Hi-Y. She now teaches American history and supervises the Ushers.

Both students are members of the Masque Club. Mike presides over the club, directing its plays and skits.

Another alumnus in the Military Department is SFC Warren Luttrell, junior ROTC instructor, who was a second lieutenant and a member of the Stage Crew.

Mr. Sam Stoner, American history teacher, was nicknamed "Roman" by his classmates. He was a member of the Junior Red Cross Club in his junior year and served as president in his senior year.

Serving as secretary of the Senate, Miss Marjorie Ogle, present junior English teacher, was also a member of the Tri-Hi-Y, Usher Staff, Digest Staff, and National Honor Society.

A member of the first graduating class with Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps as principal, Mrs. Jeanette

New Members of FBLA To Aid Next Year's Club

By Terry Woods

Five sophomores, one junior, and one senior have been selected as new members of the Future Business Leaders of America, disclosed Mrs. Clarone Hughes, sponsor.

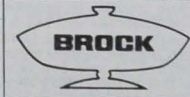
New members include senior Kathy Perkinson, junior Janet Hannah, and sophomores Jo Adams, Jennie Harding, Karen Weaks, Susan Johnston, and Patti Turner.

Students who have one year of business may apply for membership. The business education teachers check the grades of these applicants in business courses. Eligible students are then introduced to the club members, and the final selection is made.

Concerning the new members,

Mrs. Hughes commented, "We tried to take in mainly sophomores so they can be learning about the club now and will be able to carry it over to next year."

Other members will be selected in the spring before the annual banquet for the installation of next year's officers. These additional students are chosen in order to maintain a constant membership when the current twelve senior members graduate.



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MORNING SURPRISE— Photographed soon after the announcement of Mr. and Miss Central candidates are nominees, seated from left, Michele Tinker, Cheryl Reed, Ronnie Holder, Ginger Nye, Charles Chavis, Barbara Button, and Debbie Senterfit. Standing, same order, are David Ashley, Jimmy Indermill, and Larry McGill.

Principal Reveals Names Of Senior Court Royalty; Crowning Date March 21

By Terry Woods

Central's student body has selected ten seniors as candidates for Mr. and Miss Central to be crowned March 21, announced Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Barbara Button, Torchbearer and valedictorian of the senior class, is editor-in-chief of the Digest, president of the Tri-Hi-Y, points chairman of the Senate, and executive member of the Student Council, secretary-treasurer of the Math Club, a delegate to Girls State, and a member of the math team, National Honor Society, and Gym Staff.

Ginger Nye, Best All Round in the senior superlatives, is secretary of the senior class, Military Queen, Homecoming Queen, associate editor of the Champion, social chairman of the Student Council, president of the Y-Teens, Key Club Calendar Senior Sweetheart, and a delegate to the National Student Council Convention.

Cheryl Reed, Most Courteous in the senior superlatives, is co-head majorette, a candidate for military queen and homecoming queen, a member of the Y-Teens and the Student Council and January representative on the Key Club Calendar.

Debbie Senterfit, Service in the senior superlatives, is co-head cheerleader, a candidate for military queen and homecoming queen, recording secretary of the Student Council, military editor and co-faculty editor of the Champion, a delegate to Girls State and last

summer's Student Council workshop representative of March on the Key Club Calendar, and a member of the Gym Staff.

Michele Tinker, Friendliest in the senior superlatives, is co-head majorette, a candidate for military queen, an executive member of the Student Council, and a member of the Gym Staff.

David Ashley, Torchbearer and salutatorian of the senior class, is president of the Key Club, Lieutenant Colonel in ROTC, co-captain of the wrestling team, Bellamy Award delegate, a member of the Math Club, math team, National Honor Society, Senate, and C Club, and a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.

Charles Chavis, new to Central this year, is a member of the Varsity Glee Club. He was president of both his sophomore and junior classes at Booker T. Washington High School and would have been president of his senior class had the school not been closed.

Ronnie Holder, Best All Round in the senior superlatives, is a member of the football and baseball teams, C Club, and Key Club.

Jimmy Indermill, Service in the senior superlatives, is vice-president of the senior class, president of the Student Council, sergeant-at-arms of the Key Club, and a member of the baseball and basketball teams and the C Club.

Larry McGill, Leadership in the senior superlatives, is president of senior class, president of the C Club, secretary of the Key Club, captain of the basketball team, and a member of the baseball team.

Key Club To Sponsor Guidance Days For Juniors, Seniors March 11, 18, 25

By Mary Snyder

In order to acquaint juniors and seniors with available vocational jobs, the Key Club's annual Vocational Guidance Days will be held March 11, 18, and 25, stated Mr. Ed Hoover, Key Club sponsor.

Instead of attending assembly programs, juniors and seniors will go to designated rooms to hear experts from 30 to 35 different fields speak, while the sophomores will report to the auditorium for programs planned by the Guidance Department.

Seniors and juniors were given a choice form to fill out in their English classes and were to select five fields of interest in which they would like to hear a speaker.

Each student will be given the

opportunity to hear representatives from three of the five fields selected, ask questions, and talk to them individually on these consecutive Wednesdays.

"The program is designed so that students may talk directly with people who are currently employed in various fields," said Mr. Hoover.

The Key Club, in co-operation with the vocational guidance committee of the Chattanooga Kiwanis Club and the Central Guidance Department, will sponsor these career days.

"The purpose for this annual event is to familiarize students with vocational fields," stated

David Ashley, president of the Key Club.

Professionals who will speak to students on these days include a doctor, lawyer, beautician, florist, and engineer.

David commented that the Key Club will not know the exact people who will visit Central until they arrive.

Three Seniors To Represent Central In All-State Band, Choir in Nashville

Senior Susan Hayes has won a place in the All-State Band and seniors Anthony Morgan and Steve Roe will participate in the All-State Chorus, states Mr. Morris Bales, band director, and Mr. K. W. John, glee club director.

The band and chorus will perform for the Tennessee Education Association at its annual Nashville meeting March 28.

Susan was delegated to attend All-State Band after she and Jackie Loving attended the East Tennessee State Band and Orchestra Concert. Susan played flute in the second chair, and Jackie played clarinet in the ninth chair.

All members of the East Tennessee Band who achieved places in chairs one through five will attend the All-State Band.

"The tryouts gave me an opportunity to play with different students on a higher level," Susan commented. Both Susan and Steve agreed that the tryouts were helpful.

Tryouts for All-State Chorus were held at Brainerd High School February 7. Bass singer Steve

stated, "I really gained experience in those auditions. The judges placed us with students from different schools in groups of eight, leaving us to sing on our own."

Mr. John will accompany Susan, Steve, and Anthony during their

three-day stay in Nashville. The music teacher commented, "The trip should provide these students with an excellent opportunity to learn more music. It should prove to be both educational and rewarding."

Guidance Director Visits Air Cadets at Academy

By Sandy Hickman

"Because of the strenuous athletic program at the Air Force Academy, cadets consume at least 5,200 calories a day under the meal program," said Mrs. Mirvina Okrasinski.

As director of the guidance department, Mrs. Okrasinski discovered this fact when she visited the Colorado Springs institution on February 6 and 7.

One of thirty representatives from East and Middle Tennessee, Mrs. Okrasinski visited the school to learn more about the academy's programs, qualifications, and requirements so she can inform students who are interested in applying for admission.

The group of counselors left on the two-day excursion in an Air Force plane. As guests of the academy, they were given a tour of the campus the following day.

Mrs. Okrasinski stated, "In terms of high school grades and scores on nationally used college entrance tests, the average Air Force Academy cadet falls in the top ten per cent of all boys admitted to colleges and universities."

In addition to these facts, Mrs. Okrasinski learned about the daily routine of the Air Force cadet. She commented, "Their courses are about equally divided between the sciences and mathematics and the humanities."



—Photo by Jimmy Berger.

MUSICALLY TALENTED— Stopping for a friendly chat are these outstanding music students, from left, Anthony Morgan, Susan Hayes, Steve Roe, and Jackie Loving.

'Not Everybody ...'

Throughout the year different groups of students are drawn into the spotlight at Central. As graduation nears, the attention is directed toward the superlatives, four-year honor students, and, recently, Mr. and Miss Central.

These students are being honored because they have given of themselves to the school. Instead of existing at Central as "islands" unto themselves, they have shared their talents and have contributed to the heritage of this institution.

But the school's heritage cannot be preserved solely by this small percentage of the student body. Although these students lead the way, an equal responsibility rests on those who must follow.

Not everyone can be Mr. or Miss Central, a senior superlative, or a four-year honor student. But each student can give time and effort to furthering his education and aiding the school before he graduates.

The accomplishments of this senior class and its outstanding members will soon fade into the past. But Central will live on — fulfilling the dreams of many students and teachers who have labored to make the new school as great as the old.

—B. B.

Mrs. J. Pope (Anna) Dyer

Mrs. Dyer was a member of the Central family for a long time. In 1926, when she was still Anna Adams, she graduated with honors from Central High School.

And 22 years ago — after she had become Mrs. J. Pope Dyer, wife of Mr. J. Pope Dyer Sr., head of Central's social science department — she came back to her alma mater as secretary and assistant registrar.

In this position Mrs. Dyer worked closely with seniors concerning their high school records and college applications. "She worked patiently and quietly — not seeking recognition for her contributions," one faculty member recalled.

Her death on February 16 dealt a blow to all who were acquainted with her. Mrs. Dyer was well-known and well-liked by the girls on the Office Staff. "Something is missing now. We look at her desk and expect to see her — but she's gone," one of them stated.

Another of her friends on the faculty remembers Mrs. Dyer as "quiet and unassuming — a lovely, gracious person."

She was a charter member of Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church and chairman of her Church Circle No. 9 for two years.

Mrs. Dyer's death was a tremendous loss to her church and to her two families — the Dyers and Central High School.

Bo Thompson

On Tuesday night, February 17, Rev. Warren E. (Bo) Thompson, a 1964 Central graduate, was shot and killed behind the Hamilton County Juvenile Detention Home, where he served as recreational director.

Bo came to Central in 1956 from East Side Junior High School. A restless student, he dropped out of school for several years.

Faculty members and Centralites remember Bo best as the young man determined enough to get a good education that he returned as a junior in 1962-63 and graduated the following year.

The 1963 Social Science Award winner, Bo had an interest in teen-agers and their problems — the reason for his working enthusiastically at the detention home. In addition to his duties there, Bo pastored a small church near Chickamauga, Georgia.

The city of Chattanooga as well as Central High School faculty and alumni are greatly saddened by the loss of the 26-year old social worker and father of two.

He Came Back: 'Pretty Lucky'

By Tommy Mathis

Ronald James Rooks greeted me with a firm handshake and a friendly smile, and he told me it was good to see Central again.

"It just hasn't hit me yet that I'm back," he added. "It seems like it was only yesterday that I was getting ready to leave."

Ronnie, a 1966 Central graduate, recently returned from a 14-month tour of duty in Vietnam. The sun had streaked his dark blonde hair — much too long for a regulation GI cut. He wore no socks on his loafered feet, and

he talked to me as one boy to another.

But he had proven his manhood in the jungles and rice paddies; and this, along with his next statement, demanded respect:

"Being in Vietnam and coming back to the states — America — makes me appreciate more what I have and how my parents brought me up. It gives me a better outlook on life in general."

I asked for his views on the war.

Spotlight on Seniors

Barry Odum, Janet Maveety Describe Central Rotunda as Useful to School

By Beth Jeffers

Janet Maveety and Barry Odum think the rotunda is the thing they'll miss most when Central moves to Highway 58 next year.

"When we come back to visit,"



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

ENJOYING LEISURE TIME — Meeting at the rotunda between classes, Janet Maveety and Barry Odum talk over the events of their years at Central.

Janet explained, "It won't be the heart of Central. Everybody can gather there, so it makes a friendly atmosphere."

Barry agreed, "It just won't seem like Central without it."

Janet described the rotunda, "It's

the heart of Central. Everybody can gather there, so it makes a friendly atmosphere."

"Being together around the rotunda and being able to talk to your friends on all three floors at once creates a unity at Central," Barry said. "It's the center of what's happening."

Next year, Janet and Barry will be attending U.C. Barry plans to major in mathematics; Janet hasn't decided on a major.

"I'm not sure what I want to do after college," said Janet, "but I want to do something connected with art — design or architecture. I like art, and I've taken art lessons at Hunter Art Gallery and mechanical drawing at school."

Barry stated, "I want to have a vocation in connection with math, because it's my best field of study. Math is used in so many jobs I have no idea exactly what I want to do."

Both Barry and Janet are members of the Bank Staff and Student Council. Barry plays the guitar for the Chattanooga Good News group.

"Good News is effective," Barry explained, "because it appeals to teens in their language and music while telling the message of Christ."

rotunda reflections

By Betty Hardison

Paul Faulkner, '68 Central graduate, serves as the 1968-69 president of the freshman class at Tennessee Temple College.

A Central graduate of 1965, Bonnie Meers, and a '66 graduate, Sharon Atkin, were on the honor roll at David Lipscomb College for the fall quarter.

Former head cheerleader Kathy McQueen, '67 graduate, is a varsity basketball cheerleader at UC.

Gene Carroll, '45 graduate, has recently been appointed head librarian of the University of Chattanooga. He is the first trained librarian in the school's history.

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Those of you who've been gazing out the window, thinking you'd rather be outside than cramped up in a classroom — forget it. You don't have the fever — it's just your imagination.



SHADES OF FASHION — Short skirts have made textured stockings, at left, the trend in girls' leg wear. A 1925 Centralite, center, sports the same style of dress as some of the sixty-niners. Junior Scott Phinney, right, goes for the mod look in clothes today — beads, tinted glasses, and turtle-neck.

Central's Golden Years Styles, Fashions Reappear Periodically

By Wayne McCoy

Although mod is the word for the fashions seen at Central this year, many of these styles have appeared in past years.

Saddle oxfords, fashionable in almost every decade, are again back in style as well as the once-popular, double-breasted coats. Navy clothes that people may remember wearing when they were kids are back in the form of bell-bottom pants.

A somewhat unusual sight, although it was popular in the '20's, is ties, vests, and coats worn by the "weaker sex." And some boys are often surprised to learn that their girlfriends' long beautiful hair is really a fall or a wig.

Sun glasses, once seen mostly at the beach, are now worn inside and have various shades and shapes, some resembling those used by Ben Franklin.

Although many fashions have been seen before, some are completely new. Girls who seem to have a strange disease on their legs are more than likely wearing fishnet stockings.

And the boys who look as if they have broken necks are actually wearing turtle-neck sweaters.

An interesting feature to some people, notably boys, is that girls' dresses are getting longer or possibly both. What all this adds up to is whether students attend Central in 1939 or 1969, they still witness the revival of past fashions and the discovery of new fads.

Central's principal, Reuben and Mike submitted opinions and ideas dealing with smoking, recreation, and in general student regulations.

"During this, their first year, the Pine Breeze School is trying new techniques," explained Mike. "The teachers familiarize themselves with the students' problems and try to determine the cause for their emotional disturbances."

"Much to my surprise," related Reuben, "the school has a schedule similar to Central's."

"Besides offering a variety of study courses, the school also sponsors social functions such as field trips, dances, and parties," he added.

The office at the building on Highway 58 will be located in the center pod, making it easily accessible to all parts of the school.

Seniors of Office Force Pick Staff Replacements

By Marianne Tinker

Senior girls on the Office Force have chosen "little sisters" to take their place on next year's staff.

Bucky Thurston, staff president, recently announced. Those selected are Janet McNabb, Debra Polston, Pam Rains, Sandy Gist, Charlotte Siveley, Ann Helton, Malody Cooper, Linda Westbrook.

Sherry Holder, Theresa Quarles, Gene Lawson, Susan Everitt, Linda Crownover, Freida Pell, Debbie Tatum, and Valerie Thompson. These girls, along with the juniors of this year's staff, will be the

first to serve in the office at the new Central.

Their duties in the new school will include answering the office telephone, picking up absentee and dismissal slips, making out the daily announcement sheets, and running general errands.

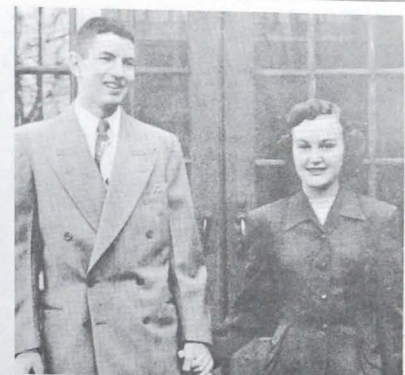
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RETURN OF THE OLD — Double-breasted jackets with wide lapels, worn here by one of the 1951 Torchbearers, are coming back into style.

Masque Club To Present Suspense-Packed Comedy

By Terry Woods

Filled with suspense and comedy, "The Bearded Buckle," will be presented in a March assembly program by the Masque Club, stated Mike Lees, president.

The cast includes Louise Bailey, Royce Howell, Joe Miller, Steve Creswell, Agnes Miller, Annette Pell, Mrs. Berkeley, Ola Wood, Herb Shine, Steve Watson, Looma King, and Beth Jeffers.

Mike, student director, said, "Students will enjoy the play, because it's different. It's an old-fashioned play with modern ideas."

The one-act production concerns Mrs. Berkeley, an aristocratic lady who is the pillar of North Carolina society. Action revolves around her search for a buckle on a dress that a shopkeeper had refused to sell her.

When the buckle mysteriously disappears, she is accused of stealing it. At last she persuades the shopkeeper to admit that he saw the buckle drop through a hole in the floor.

"Don't be fooled into thinking this is the end," Mike warned. "Our climax will fool everybody."

Sponsored by Mrs. J. C. Robbins, reading and dramatics teacher, the club had planned several plays but preparations could not begin until after the junior play because the stage was not available.

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Rievley, Justice Capture Mat Titles

By Russell Cobb

Glenn Rievley and Reuben Justice snagged state wrestling championships in their respective weight classes to lead the Pounders to a fourth place finish in the Tennessee State Wrestling Tournament.

Justice also was voted as runner-up for the Best Wrestler Award in the tournament.

Central sent five men into the state competition, three placing in the top four finishers. The trio consisted of Glenn Rievley, Keith Rievley, and Justice.

In team scoring the Pounders collected 32 points finishing behind Nashville Father Ryan with 71, Notre Dame with 56, and City with 39.

In the quarterfinals Keith Rievley won a decision over Doug Hendri of Father Ryan 4-0 in the 98-pound class. In the 106-pound division Glenn Rievley pinned Nashville Glencliff's Billy Watt in 4:50.

However, David Ashley bowed to Steve Chambers of Glencliff 4-2 in an overtime, while Jim Holman lost to Emile Catignani of Father Ryan 2-0.

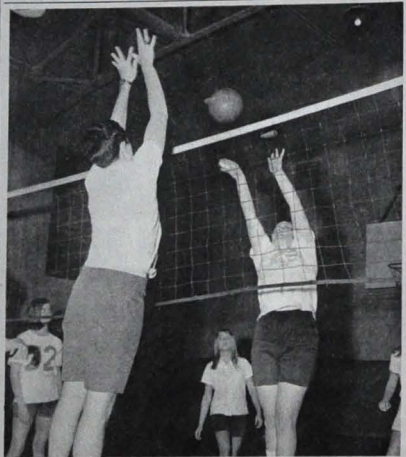
Justice pinned Woody Miller of Hillwood in 1:45, the fastest pin recorded in the tournament.

In the semifinals Keith Rievley was decided by Martin Pricans of Notre Dame, while his brother Glenn scored a reverse for a 2-0 victory over Ryan's Jim Holzner.

Justice edged Ryan's Frank Baltz, last year's state champ, 8-6 on riding time.

In the finals Glenn Rievley clipped Brainerd's Danny Brown 4-2. Brown was last year's 98-pound champ, while Rievley was last year's 106-pound champ. Justice swamped City's Tom Pappan

in the finals 8-3 for his first state mat title. Ironically enough, Rievley and Justice had both been defeated in the regional tournament by the men they beat in the state tournament.



OPPOSING FORCES—Jake Arbes returns a serve to Charlotte Forester, volleyball captain, in a tryout session for this year's volleyball team. (See Time Out With Jake.)



Time Out With Jake

Can You Imagine?

Imagine yourself surrounded by 58 beautiful girls in short-shorts and T-shirts.

Imagine that you're the only boy in the place and the you're handsome and unattached. All around you girls are shouting at one another, "Pick those legs up. You're not trying hard enough."

What would you do?

Of course, that's exactly what I did. I jumped right in the middle of those 58 girls and started playing volleyball.

Trying to regain my confidence after a humiliating defeat in wrestling, I decided to take on something a little easier—volleyball. It wasn't much easier.

Before we could begin the actual play, we had to go through some fundamental exercises.

Volleyball Business

Have you ever seen 58 bouncing girls chugging through wind sprints? Have you ever seen one boy among 58 girls doing some form of knee bends and falling on the gym floor? Have you ever heard 58 girls simultaneously roaring with laughter?

Finally, the game began. Everything turned to business. Girls like Charlotte Forester, Marcia Wimpce, the Snyder girls, Rodena Cook, Becky Braddock, and Becky Burns all intent on one thing—volleyball.

No gossip, no small talk, no giggling was heard. I was there just for a good time, but I still could feel all the girls were in there trying to learn.

Mrs. Hammack and Miss Lovell, volleyball coaches, stressed the importance of working together: "Tournaments are not won by individuals; they're won by teams," Mrs. Hammack warned.

One boy surrounded by 58 girls and two coaches who urge teamwork. What I have to do for a column!

Eleven Centralites Shine In Golden Gloves Event

Five of the finalists in the thirty-first annual Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament were from Central.

David Carroll, Joe Lloyd, Robby Keller, and Phillip Stancil, representing Lookout Valley's Jaycees, and Charles Neal of Expressway's Optimists reached the finals but were beaten on decisions.

Carroll advanced to the finals with a Wednesday night decision over Red Bank's Mike Hobbs; how-

ever, he lost to Danny Colvard of Pikeville.

Riverside's John Billups used a big third round to leave Lloyd in the finals. Pikeville's Billy Ferguson also needed a strong third round to decision Neal.

Other boxers from Central included Steve Sewell and Tom Hunter representing Lookout Valley's Jaycees, Jay Boyd and Mike O'Rear, from Metro Ambulance Service, and Steve Watkins and Jack Owens, fighting for Hudgins' Chili.

Carroll, Lloyd, Keller, Stancil, and Neal all received miniature silver gloves for taking second place honors in the tournament.

Cagers Swamp Tyner in Final Contest

Central closed its 1968-1969 basketball campaign with 58-34 victory over Tyner, thereby bringing its regular season record to 8-13.

The Pounders roared to a 16-6 first period lead, while holding Tyner to just 14 points in the first half and 19 after three quarters.

Howard Fluellen led the Pounder scoring attack with 15. Rudolph Chambliss contributed 11.

Central converted a total 48 percent of its field goals.

In previous action the Pounders narrowly fell to Red Bank and Brainerd 49-48 and 49-45, respectively.

Red Bank's Randy Ragan snagged a miss free throw and tossed it in with three seconds left in the second overtime to lead the Lions to victory.

Central's Rudolph Chambliss set the game into overtime with a free throw with 30 seconds left in the final period.

With 52 seconds left in the second extra segment, Larry McGill scored and Chambliss made two free throws to give the Pounders a four-point lead.

Pat Renfro hit for the Lions to make it 48-46, setting the stage for Ragan's shot.

Howard Fluellen paced the Pounder effort with 15.

In the Brainerd game, the Rebels used a strong second half surge to topple the Pounders.

Jim Elliott led the Rebel effort with 15 markers, including a pair of foul shots that put the game out

of Central's reach with about 12 seconds left in the last quarter.

McGill and Fluellen starred for the Pounders with 11 points each.

Individual Statistics

(Through Red Bank Game)

Scoring		
	Pts.	Phi
Rudolph Chambliss	23	50
Larry McGill	20	17
Howard Fluellen	14	19

Rebounds

	Pts.	Phi
Rudolph Chambliss	10	18
Nathaniel Hunter	10	18
Jerry Mackey	10	18



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Central Teacher, Department, Digest Receive Freedoms Foundation Awards

By Marianne Tinker

Central High School is the recipient of three Freedoms Foundation Awards along with nine other cities and organizations in the Chattanooga area.

The Social Science Department; Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, history teacher; and the Digest have earned these new awards. This makes a total of 24 Freedoms Foundation Awards presented to the school.

"These honors are given to citizens, schools, and organizations that have promoted patriotism in an outstanding way," explained Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department.

See Editorial

The three awards for Central were among the more than 1,800 which were announced formally February 22 at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, in commemoration of George Washington's birthday.

Mr. Dyer will accept the George Washington Honor Medal Award for his department. The entry made for this award is a scrapbook with detailed reports of the speakers, conferences, trips, and projects promoting citizenship sponsored by the Social Science Department last year.

Miss Hodges will receive the Valley Forge Teachers Medal Award for her outstanding accomplishments in helping to achieve a better understanding of the American way of life.

She was nominated for this award after recommendations were given concerning her efforts to make each student a better citizen. The Digest merited the George Washington Honor Medal Award and \$100 for an editorial, "We Are America" that appeared in the December 1, 1967, issue. It was written by Lynn Button, last year's editor-in-chief.

The 12 medals and money won by Chattanooga area recipients are to be presented at a school assembly program. All winning entries are selected by the National and School Awards Jury.

"We are ranked among the top high schools of the nation in receiving the greatest number of such awards," commented Mr. Dyer.



—Photo by Ricky Vaughn.

FREEDOMS FOUNDATION AWARDS WINNERS—Examining George Washington Medals won in previous years are, from left, Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, Mr. J. Pope Dyer, and Barbara Button.

David Ashley, Mike Turnmire Attain Finalist Positions as Merit Scholars

By Gayle Young

Seniors David Ashley and Mike Turnmire were recently named as finalists for National Merit Scholarships, revealed Mr. James Wood, assistant guidance counselor.

David and Mike were selected from the group of semifinalists across the nation and will be eligible for additional scholarships presented according to the amount of funds available and the financial need of the student.

The recipients are selected by their scores on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. This year out of a possible score of

160, Mike made 140 and David, 139. The winners of the Merit scholarships may choose the college and course of study that they wish. They will receive the scholarship funds after they enroll in an accredited university or college.

David and Mike also qualify to receive various other scholarships awarded by industrial firms, col-

leges, professional groups, unions, and individuals.

After taking the test in their junior year, David and Mike were selected as semifinalists and later filled out forms about their parents' financial status and their intended vocations. The Merit foundation considered these forms with their scores before they became finalists.

Student Council To Host Awards Day Ceremonies In Afternoon Assembly

By Terry Woods

Dr. Sam P. McConnell, superintendent of Hamilton County schools, will be the featured speaker and master of ceremonies at the Student Council's annual Academic Awards Day program today in assembly.

who have excelled academically when they might not otherwise have been recognized." Each department elects a senior and an underclassman winner and two senior and two underclassmen runners-up.

Since his election in 1955 to his present post, Dr. McConnell has maintained an interest not only in the academic program but also in school facilities. Central is one school that has benefited by this interest.

He will deliver an address on scholarship prior to his presentation of the awards.

Jimmy Indermill, club president, chose five Student Council members to organize the program. These include senior Debbie Senterfit and junior Mary Snyder, who will present certificates to the runners-up, and juniors Steve Meyer and Mike Haddock and sophomore Tommy Gulas, who are in charge of trophies.

"The purpose of the program," explained Debbie, Council secretary, "is to acknowledge students



Dr. Sam McConnell

During the program, the three nominees will be recognized and called to the front of the stage where the winner will be announced.

The winner will then receive his award and be seated on the stage, where he will remain until the conclusion of the program. Seniors will receive trophies and underclassmen will receive pins. Runners-up will be presented certificates signed by Dr. McConnell and Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Scholarship trophies will be given to the boy and girl with the highest grade point average in the senior class.

A special events schedule will be followed to allow maximum time for awards to be presented.

Seniors of 1970 To Buy Rings With New Design

By Jan Templeton

"The 1970 senior class rings will be changed in design to incorporate engravings of both the old and new school buildings," stated Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

"Chattanooga Central" will be etched around the royal purple stone where "Chattanooga Central High School" is now inscribed.

Replacing the picture of the old school will be the Central seal, which can be seen in the upper right corner of the Digest magazine.

Small leaves and the date 1907 will be placed below the C. Above

the seal will be written the graduation year of the class.

On the opposite side of the new ring will be inscribed the entrance to the new school with a hammer and anvil under it. Engraved under the anvil will be a scroll with "Founders" written on it.

The price of the new rings will be \$29.50 for boys and \$25.50 for girls. A \$10 deposit for the rings must be paid on March 17.

A committee composed of faculty members and the junior class officers approved the ring design.

Tri-Hi-Y, Hi-Y Select 1969-70 Presidents

Juniors Mary Snyder and Mike Baskette have been elected as next year's Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y presidents, announced Mrs. Dorothy Stone and Mr. James Wood, club sponsors.

One of the first duties of the two juniors will be to give the devotions on Senior Day and Class Day.

Mary is a member of the Gym Staff, Senate, Digest Staff, band, Student Council, and volleyball team.

Mike serves in the Intercontinental Club and is a member of the Senate. This is Mike's second year as a Hi-Y Club member.

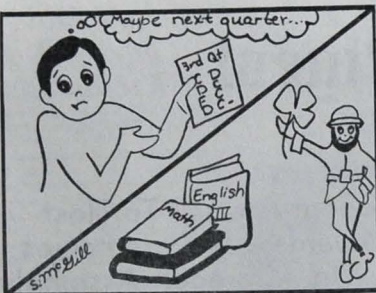
The remaining Tri-Hi-Y officers will be elected the first week of April and will be announced at the annual banquet in April.

In April both clubs plan to send delegates to the Youth in Government Conference, the state convention of Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y Clubs, at the Capitol Building in Nashville.



—Photo by Ricky Vaughn.

NEW LEADERS—Mike Baskette, new Hi-Y president, and Mary Snyder, new Tri-Hi-Y president, are discussing their new duties as leaders of the clubs.



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Today many students will be recognized for their achievements in the various scholastic fields. These honors symbolize much time and energy spent in a quest for knowledge—time that could have been wasted, but wasn't.

We congratulate the winners and nominees in each category. We encourage the remaining students to apply themselves to the task of gaining an education—now. —B. B.

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I am an American!
 I am a mixture of all the peoples of the world. Some of my forefathers died while fighting for this land and for its preservation; others immigrated later; and although they were all different, they had one common tie—they were all Americans.

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I am a free individual—free to live without the fear of waking up one morning in prison for expressing an opinion. As an American, it is my right to say what I feel as long as it doesn't injure another.

I have opportunity. Nothing hinders me from making the most of myself. If I let my talents and initiative work together, there is little I can't do. "All men are created equal" in America.

I am an American. I am, along with all of you, a vital part of this great country. It is through us that the world judges our nation.

We are America!
 (Editor's Note: This editorial—by Lynn Button, 1967-68 editor-in-chief of the Digest—won a Freedoms Foundation Award in the high school editorial division.)

Juniors Make Drama 'Key' of Success

By Beth Jeffers

A small but appreciative audience relaxed and prepared to enjoy itself as the curtain opened; and as the prologue began, Martha Quimby (Jeanne Hammonds) and her sister Ellie (Deborah Wiley) started "Seven Keys to Baldpate" on a humorous note.

Steve Meyer, as William Magee, dominated the stage from the moment of his entrance. Sandy Doane (Mary Rhodes) helped Magee to prove his theory of "love at first sight" very well. As an old friend named Peters, Scott Phinizy kept the audience laughing with his eccentric muttering and pointing. A hardened, professional blackmailer, Jan Templeton played her part brilliantly.

A crooked politician was portrayed realistically by Jimmy Stratigos. Carolyn Chaney, playing opposite him, did well as his temperamental fiancée.

Henry Radford played his part humorously; and his boss, Layton Jackson, made a perfectly dignified railroad president. A missing fortune and a walking corpse created a most perplexing case for "sheriff" Rick Wade and his police assistants, Steve Hales and Tommy Phillips.

Vicki Aiden and Steve Creswell, experienced student players, did well in their supporting parts.
 Mrs. Frank Robbins, dramatics teacher—aided by Laura Bryson,

Spotlight on Seniors

Gail Coley Helps Head Volleyball Team; Harold Downs Manages Three Sports

By Beth Jeffers

Gail Coley chose her career when she got braces; Harold Downs picked his when he took a test.
 "I had a lot of work done on my teeth when I was little," Gail said. "I noticed the dentist's assistant, because she looked so nice in her uniform; and she seemed interested in me."

She continued, "I became interested in her work, and next September I'll begin training to become a dental assistant. I want to work particularly with the younger set—teen-agers—after I complete the one-year course."

Harold said, "I became interested in IBM when I took a test I got in the mail. I could go into training with IBM right after graduation, but I want to go to college first."

He explained, "IBM is growing; almost everything is run by computers now. Even Apollo flights are completely programmed by computers. I'm also interested in business management, maybe more than in IBM," Harold revealed.

Co-captain of the volleyball team, Gail is president and sweetheart of the Gym Staff.

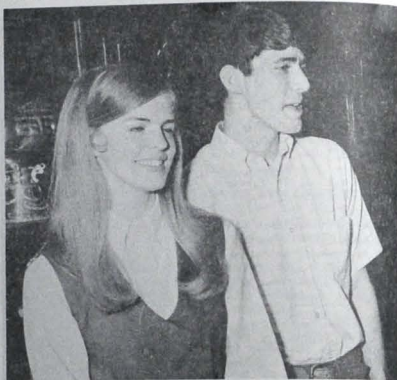
"I've been on the volleyball team for three years," Gail said. "I like

participating with other girls competitively."

Senior class marshal and Most Courteous in the senior superlatives, Harold has managed the football team for three years, the wrestling team for two years, and

the baseball team for one.

"I don't think I could sit in the stands at a football game," Harold said. "Being on the sidelines makes you feel like you're part of the team."



GETTING TO REST—Harold Downs and Gail Coley stop a minute to enjoy leisure time between classes behind the trophy case.

Revenge!

Boy Seeks Attacker of Mangled Friend

By Tommy Mathis

I rescued the poor thing from the clutches which held it.

Its left wing was broken. As I gently carried my mangled little friend to the house, the three gaping wounds in its side turned my stomach.

Here my family became hysterical at the horrendous sight of the injuries.

INSIDE OUTLOOK

A Sham-What?

By Tommy Mathis

What in the world is a shamrock? No, it's not a good-luck symbol. You're thinking of a four-leaf clover.

Now you remember! A shamrock has three leaves; it's the national flower of Ireland. The story goes that St. Patrick planted it there because its three small

leaves represent the Holy Trinity. Oh, come on! Surely you know who St. Patrick is. He's the patron saint of Ireland.

Sucat (Pat's British name) was a successful missionary—he "found Ireland all heathen and left it all Christian."

The people adored him, and he became a legend. His feat is still celebrated by all loyal Irish—wearing green and sporting shamrocks in their lapels—on March 17. (For those of you without a calendar—Monday is St. Patrick's Day.)

Many legends grew up about the popular saint. One of the best-known is that he charmed all the snakes of Ireland so that they flocked to the sea and drowned.

If he was so great, why didn't he make it clear what the shamrock is? White clover is usually considered the true shamrock, but other plants have at times shared the title: black medick, nonesuch, yellow treflow, hop clover, and wood sorrel.

What in the world is a shamrock?

picked up Dad's new axe—bored to razor sharpness.

I stalked to the field where I had left the terrible creature. It stood defiantly, awaiting my return.

With great anger—and slight trepidation—I attacked. The battle was soon over, and the monster lay dead on the ground.

My small gored friend was avenged. With a sigh, I turned and, dragging the axe, I walked toward the house.

That horrible tree would never eat another kite.

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Art Course Aids Senior In Contest

Sketching and painting were probably two main factors which helped senior Steve Sewell win first prize in the recent National Crime Prevention Poster Contest, stated Mr. Tom Cole, art instructor.

Steve received a \$25 cash award for his prize-winning entry. Concerning the contest, Steve explained, "We competed with students from other junior and senior high schools. Besides winning \$25 myself, the Art Department received \$25 in art supplies."

By the award Mr. Cole stated, "It was pleased that Steve received first prize, and we were both invited to attend a luncheon at the Exchange Club of Chattanooga, which sponsors the contest."

"Painting and regular art work such as sketching with magic markers, making portraits, and studying scenic drawing are among the activities that could have helped Steve in making his poster," Mr. Cole explained.

The art classes plan soon to start work in carving wood and working in plaster, wax, and papier-maché. Another art student, senior Royce Sewell, has submitted her entry to the Q-Tips 1969 Art Awards Contest, which was open to any junior or senior high student attending art classes at any accredited school in the United States.

A \$500 first prize is offered with \$250 and \$100 second and third place awards.

David Ashley Competes For National Scholarship

Central senior David Ashley is a state finalist for one of six engineering scholarships offered by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

David applied for the Ramsay Scholarship which pertains to the study of electrical oceanographic engineering and may be used at any of twelve colleges. In the event that David wins and accepts the scholarship he would apply it for study at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Another senior, Jack Myers, was

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Central's Golden Years

Pounders Overdue For State Crown; Average Top Spot Every Three Years

By Wayne McCoy

Among Central's various athletic honors is that of being named state champions in football eight times in the past twenty-three years.

After winning numerous city championships before the state title was initiated, Central captured its first state championship rating in 1946 when the Pounder gridmen

rounded out the season with a 58-6 victory over arch rival City, leaving Central with a 9-2 record.

Starting in 1951, Central began a four year reign as state champion with an 11-1 season record and a number one rating by Litkenhous.

Utilizing an effective T-offense, the 1952 Pounders were successful in all but one outing and received from the Associated Press the Tennessee State Championship rating.

Named as Litkenhous State Champion in 1953, the Pounders compiled a 9-1-1 record with a loss to Memphis Central and a tie with the Bradley Bears.

The Purple and Gold recorded another near-perfect record in 1954

with their only loss again being to Memphis Central 14-13.

In 1957 the Purple Pounders were successful in all outings, compiling a perfect record with ten wins, no ties, and no losses.

Ending the 1962 grid campaign with an 11-0 record, the Pounders were named state champions and were rated as the fifth best team in the nation.

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Swing Band Chooses Ten For Beauty

Central's Swing Band members have selected the Ten Prettiest Girls for the 1968-69 school year, disclosed Mr. Morris Bales, band director.

The musicians' choices are seniors Brenda Cook, Ginger Nye, Kathy Moss, and Cheryl Reed; juniors Linda Westbrook, Ann Smith, and Jayne Arnold; and sophomores Bertha McDonald, Starr Ivester, and Lana Clark.

Members of the band nominate whoever they think deserves the title; and from the nominees, three sophomores, three juniors, and four seniors are chosen.

Each girl must get four votes, and those obtaining the highest number of votes are selected. If a tie results, the balloting continues until a winner is picked.

The title Ten Prettiest Girls was chosen in April, 1955, from the song "Ten Pretty Girls."

"We are not making any claims," asserted Mr. Bales concerning the selection. "There are many other pretty girls at Central, but these are the ten girls chosen by the Swing Band for this year."

Central's Ten Prettiest Girls are to be presented formally to the school at the annual Champion Night, which is scheduled for May 2.

Champion Night hosts an array of talent from each of the three classes and is directed by Mr. Bales. Proceeds help finance publication of the school yearbook.

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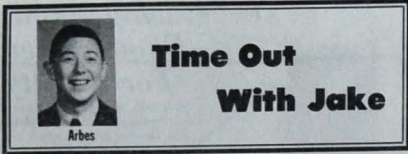
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 You're the only one there.
 The track team is at a meet;
 The runners are racing round.
 Hear their shoes hit the cinders?
 Why is it the only sound?
 Spring is here,
 Winter is dead,
 And get hit on the head!

Yes, sports fans, spring is here, but all the people who lined the stands during football season aren't.

Even though baseball is perhaps the best attended of the spring sports, Coach Jack Archer and members of the baseball team feel that even better attendance could be achieved if a greater interest in the game could be instilled in students.

How do you create student interest in a sport? First, you need a team worth going to see. Larry McGill, Ronnie Holder, and the other players have already taken care of that.

Guess-the-Score Gimmick

But, no matter how good the team is, a gimmick always helps. And that's our job.

One suggestion is a guess-the-score type sweepstakes. The day of each game a box would be placed by the rotunda. Students would write on prepared ballots what they guessed the score in the upcoming game would be and in what inning the most runs would be scored (to break a tie).

After each game the cheerleaders would check the ballots in the box. WGOW radio and some local sporting goods stores have promised to donate valuable prizes for winning guesses.

If you have any comments on this plan or have any constructive gimmicks of your own, please see me, Coach Archer, or McGill. Coach Archer said all ideas will be considered except ones which call for a new baseball coach.

Pounders Begin Practice For 1969 Baseball Season

The Central diamondmen, for the first time under the direction of Coach Jack Archer, opened practice for the 1969 baseball season earlier this month.

This year's team, led by captain Larry McGill and co-captain Ronnie Holder, will rely on a well-balanced squad, including twice experienced players from last year.

Senior Stan Cox is expected to assume the mound duties left vacant by the graduation of Kin Choate and Charlie Rogers.

Coach Archer has already set up a vigorous training schedule including hitting, fielding, running, exercising, and dieting for the team.

Because of spring football practice, the new baseball mentor was forced to miss the first two weeks of baseball training. During his absence the returning lettermen coached the new players in the basic fundamentals.

Last year, under the direction of Coach Ed Test, the Pounders captured second place in the district tourney. City was first, dawning the Pounders in the finals which went nine innings.

Cagers Bow Out of District Tourney



WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN—Central's Nathaniel Hunter and Kirkman's Hollis Stockburger vie for a jump ball in district tournament action. Central won 49-39.

Central's Purple Pounders fell to City 45-40 in the quarterfinals of the District 9 Basketball Tournament, after ripping Kirkman 49-39 in the opening round.

The Pounders were able to convert six more field goals than the Dynamos but could capitalize on only six of thirteen free throws.

City scored on 23 of 31 charity tosses. The Dynamos' ability to hit foul shots also beat the Pounders in the annual round robin.

"They ran the Carson-Newman wheel and tried to collect fouls," commented Coach Gordon Smith.

"We started pressing and attempting to foul with 4:35 to go though," continued Coach Smith. "We had to try to get back in the game."

In first round action Central's cagers, behind the sharpshooting of Fluellen and Larry McGill, who had 15 and 13 points, respectively, used a strong fourth quarter to down the Golden Hawks.

With six minutes to go, Kirkman knotted the score 35-35. But then went cold, scoring only four points in the remainder of the game.

Taking advantage of the situation Hunter and McGill scored three and four points, in that order, to give the Purple Pounders a 42-35 edge with 3:40 left. Fluellen then hit a bucket and free throw to put the Pounders safely out in front.

Visit to Opening Spring Football Drill Gives Reign to Writer Imagination

By Layton Jackson

"If you can jump over all three hurdles I'll give you an ice cream cone," shouted Coach Archer.

"Who does he think he's kidding?" said fullback Henry Radford with a note of resignation in his voice. "If I jump all three hurdles, he will just tell me I did it for the ice cream and make me run ten laps for breaking training."

This is just one of the many interesting "happenings" a visitor to the practice field will notice during spring football practice.

The coaches are also colorful to watch. It occurred to this writer how humorous it would be if, after a hard day in the classroom, the coaches came to the practice

field and got their academic and athletic subjects confused.

Coach Archer might get Bob Few up in front of the team and point out (biologically) where a tackle hurts and where it doesn't.

Coach Jake Seaton would probably be on his hands and knees, drawing in the dirt to make Johnny Turner a mechanical drawing of a pass pattern.

Coach Stan Farmer, drivers' education instructor, might chastise players for trying to run through the line without using proper hand signals, warning that this mistake could cause a collision.

Maybe, after completing two

hours of grueling workouts, the athletes might move inside for a talk from Coach "Eter." To the dismay of the tired heroes, they find out that Coach Eter has written all the plays in Latin and that they must stay until Jim Barclay can translate it for them.

But, no matter how one looks at it, for the players and the coaches, spring practice is hard work.

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SENIOR DAY ACTIVITIES TODAY

Mr., Miss Central Reign To Highlight Senior Day

By Patricia Sheetz

Ginger Nye and Larry McGill will be crowned Mr. and Miss Central during the Senior Day activities starting at 10 o'clock this morning, announces Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

The royal court will be composed of the following eight seniors: Debbie Senterfil, Charles Chavis, Cheryl Rees, David Ashley, Michele Tinker, Ronnie Holder, Barbara Button and Jimmie Indermill.

Class Marshals

Class marshals who will lead the seniors in the procession are Danny Adams, Ricky Holder, Harold Downs, and Tim Thornhill. Sophomores Ernest Burke, Richard Duncan, Willie Gilbreath and Samuel Jones will serve as pages during the ceremony.

Kay Suzanne Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Williamson, will be the flower girl. The crown bearer will be David Edward Hoover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoover.

Ceremonies

Senior Theola Coleman will honor Miss Central when she sings "Sweetheart of Central High." A quart composed of Nancy Foster, Rebecca Cook, Stanley Patterson, and Tim Keller will sing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" for the royal couple.

Junior Jayne Arnold will perform the traditional crown dance for the court.

Devotions for the occasion will be

given by Mary Snyder, incoming Tri-Hi-Y president, and Mike Basketie, incoming H.S.Y. president.

Mrs. Flora B. Ware, the 1969 Champion dedicatory, will be the featured speaker. In her speech, entitled "A Last Long Look," she will be emphasizing Central's heritage and the role of the new school.

Senior class representative David Alonso will give the senior class response; and Bobby Downs, junior class president, and Paul Luttrell, sophomore class president, will bring the addresses for their respective classes.

Junior Ushers

Twelve junior girls will serve as ushers. These include Vicki Alden, Bonnie Carr, Sandy Doane, Ruby Justice, Jane Leonard, Linda Moore, Brenda Sewell, Martha Snyder, Susan Spears, Marianne Tinker, Kerry Upton, and Judy Womack.

The audience will remain seated until after the recessional. Mr. Jake Seaton, who is in charge of traffic, will invite the parents and guests to a reception in Nelson Hall before he gives instructions to the student body.

Former Royalty

The crowning of Mr. and Miss Central was started in 1933 as a project of the Digest to boost circulation. During the ceremonies Mr. Millsaps will recognize all of the former Mr. and Miss Central's who are present.

Senior Class Dedicates 1969 Champion To Mrs. Flora Ware, Math Teacher

By Barbara Button

Mrs. Flora B. Ware, math instructor at Central for 38 years, has been selected by the senior class as the 1969 Champion dedicatory.

Speaking today at the last Senior Day program in the old Central, Mrs. Ware will present "A Last Long Look" into the school's heritage, including past, present, and future goals of the institution.

The Central graduate has been involved with the school's past since its establishment in 1907. Her brother and sister were sophomores in the first year of the school, and nine other relatives of her family have attended since then.

After her graduation from Central, Mrs. Ware attended Martha Washington Junior College and received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Tennessee. She also did graduate work at Duke University after teaching at Central for a number of years.

Active in alumni work, Mrs. Ware has served as secretary-treasurer of the Central High School Alumni Association since 1950.

Concerning her duties in the association, Mrs. Ware commented, "My main jobs are billing the companies who buy ads for the football programs and arranging for the election of a Homecoming queen."

Sponsor of the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society, Mrs. Ware advises the group on the annual projects which include planning the induction ceremonies for the new members.

Mrs. Ware became the sponsor in 1963 when the former head of the history department, Mrs. Virginia Skates, vacated the position. During her first year with the group, she initiated the tradition of tapping new members of the society from the audience.

Professional organizations with

which Mrs. Ware is affiliated are ETEA, TEA, NEA, and National Council of Teachers of Math.

As a member of the Math Department, Mrs. Ware teaches Algebra I and geometry.



Mrs. Flora B. Ware



—Photo by Robert Ganaway.

CENTRAL ROYALTY—Two of the above candidates will reign as Mr. and Miss Central during today's Senior Day program. The candidates are, front row, from left, Ginger Nye, Cheryl Red, Barbara Button, Michele Tinker, and Debbie Senterfil. Back row, same order, are Charles Chavis, Larry McGill, Jimmy Indermill, Ronny Holder, and David Ashley.

Commanders To Rate ROTC Program; April 8 Date for Federal Inspection

By Terry Woods

Federal inspection of the Central ROTC battalions will be April 8, announced SGM Robert Hall, military instructor.

"The inspection will be a three phase affair," explained Sgt. Hall. "Inspectors will view a normal classroom instruction period and investigate the administrative aspects of the department.

"The cadets will then be inspected," he continued, "and the inspection will conclude with a parade on McCallie's football field." The purpose of the inspection is to insure the army that the unit

is meeting all required standards. A unit is rated either honor, satisfactory, or unsatisfactory by the way they measure up to these standards.

Central's battalions have been awarded the honor unit rating every year since 1927. This is signified by the blue star worn on the right pocket of the cadets' uniforms.

The brigade will be inspected by four representatives of the third army command, including the president of the inspection board at Fort McPherson, Georgia, and del-

egates from the ROTC units at Tennessee Tech and the University of Tennessee.

Cadet Colonel Tommy Mathis, brigade commander, will brief the inspectors when they arrive, giving them a history of the battalion's organization.

Key Club Chooses Seven As Officers for 1969-70

By Marianne Tinker

The Key Club has elected its 1969-70 officers and will send the president and new secretary to the annual Kentucky-Tennessee District Key Club Convention.

The newly elected officers are Jimmy Barger, president; Jim Harty, vice-president; Mike Hadlock, secretary; Bobby Downs, treasurer; Sammy Sedman and Joe Eshbach, sergeants-at-arms; and Chuck Flora, chaplain.

The convention, which is to be held in Knoxville March 28-29, will enable representatives from throughout Kentucky and Tennessee to make laws, regulations and penalties for their organizations.

At the convention the delegates elect a governor, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer to preside officially over all the activities.

Other events of the gathering include award presentations to clubs that have made outstanding accomplishments in drives or money-making projects and a period of instructions on leadership and citizenship.

Larry McGill, retiring secretary who attended last year's convention, said, "It is the most interesting and beneficial convention that a high school boy can attend because the individual boys carry on all of its activities by themselves."

Beginning of the End

Senior Day 1969 will be a significant part of Central's history for a number of reasons. It will be the last time Mr. and Miss Central will walk down the aisles in the old auditorium.

Also, it marks the beginning of a long chain of events leading to graduation. This occasion is most meaningful to the Class of '69, which has the distinct honor of being the last graduating class from this 62-year-old building.

To juniors this emphasis on upperclassmen reminds them of a great year looming large in the near future. They—as individuals—are beginning to hope that their contributions to the Class of '70 will merit some of the honors to be bestowed next year.

And to the faculty committees, who worked hard to make Senior Day 1969 the best in Central's history, it is a time to gain satisfaction in a job well done.

The school year 1968-69 will soon end and will be closely followed by an exciting start at a new location. But the memories of this Senior Day program will remain with all who recall the last days of a wonderful old school.

— B. B.

Just One More Day

Next Wednesday, March 26, will be the last of three Vocational Guidance Days provided for Central juniors and seniors by members of the Key Club.

We of the Digest Staff would like to commend this student organization along with the Chattanooga Kiwanis Club and the Central Guidance Department for the fine sessions they have already sponsored on March 12 and March 19.

Prominent citizens from diversified professions are also to be commended for they have taken time out from their busy schedules to discuss their work with interested young people.

For the students who have already decided what their vocations are to be, these sessions have given further insight into the professions. Others who do not have their plans completed have been introduced to two different fields and will learn about another on next Wednesday.

Spotlight on Seniors

Kathy Moss, Joe Downs Plan Futures With Help of Friends—Teacher, Parent

By Beth Jaffare

A teacher and a parent influenced Joe Downs and Kathy Moss in their selection of careers.

"I developed an interest in law mainly because of Mr. Dyer, my psychology teacher," Joe explained. "I like his ideas about our country. The essays he has us write about citizenship have helped me to prepare for a career in law."

"I want to be a corporate lawyer," Joe said. "I'd like to work for some corporation, handling all its law cases."

Kathy said, "My mother's a nurse. That's how I became interested in that type of work."

She continued, "She does many different types of jobs; I want to stay in one particular field, so I'm going to be an X-ray technician."

Most Dependable in the senior superlatives, Joe has found that his present activities can help him with his career plans.

He explained, "When I'm a lawyer, I'll be meeting the public, which I get to do now as president of Combustio, my Junior Achievement company. Taking psychology has helped me to learn a little about people, too."

"I want to go into politics after several years of law work," Joe revealed. "Belonging to Central's Senate helps to build a foundation



For politics, because it is handled basically the same as the United States Senate."

President of the FHA and vice-president of the Office Force, Kathy is one of the ten prettiest

girls, a military sponsor, and Neatest in Appearance in the senior superlatives.

A four-year member of the Student Council, Joe belongs to the C-Club and Disc and Diamond.

—Photo by Jimmy Bartz. HURRY UP! — Joe Downs, known for his "Dependability," glances at his watch while Kathy Moss, Neatest in Appearance, takes time for last minute touches.

INSIDE OUTLOOK Quiet Duo Unnoticed

By Tommy Mathis

They're pretty inconspicuous; but they're there — watching. They see you when you talk in assembly; they stare reprovingly when you cut up during the feature movies.

They swell with pride as you shake the old roof during pep meetings. And, in their hearts, they sing the alma mater with as much feeling as the most loyal student.

Both of them have been at Central for 36 years. It's a pity there are no plans to take them to the new school next year.

They've watched and listened to fine student talent at many Champion Nights; and they've been

proudly as lovely girls and handsome boys have marched down the aisles on Senior Day.

Yes, they've seen and heard a lot. But they never quiet in assembly or clap for you when you're on the podium.

They never say a word. They just hang in the auditorium high above the stage—mutely guarding the big CH of Central High School.

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They also learned not to drink a Coke out of the bottle and to eat sandwiches with a knife and fork.

"England's okay," they agreed, "even though it wasn't what we had expected."

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Business Students Win AMS Awards

By Sandy Hickman

Three Central business students were named among the thirty-three winners from Chattanooga city and county schools in a spelling and mathematics testing program, sponsored by the Chattanooga Chapter of the Administrative Management Society.

Winners in the mathematics division are junior Kerry Upton and senior Shirley Blevins. Senior Mary Barnes won in the spelling division. The test was administered February 22 at the Interstate Life Building.

Mrs. Clarence Hughes, bookkeeper and accounting teacher, reported that the purpose of the testing is to assure young people that businessmen are interested in their preparedness for the business world.

The comprehensive tests consisted of one hundred spelling words and various mathematical problems. All persons who scored 75 per cent proficiency were named winners.

Participants were chosen through preliminary testing in the Business

Central's Golden Years

Bank, Bookstore Manipulate Finances; Operate for More Than Fifty Years

By Wayne McCoy

A unique feature of the facilities which aid students and faculty at Central is the school bank, which is thought to be the only high-school-operated bank in this area.

Established January, 1915, through the efforts of the Chattanooga Savings Bank, Central's bank has served students and clubs for more than half a century.

Directed presently by Mrs. Virginia Sumner, business department head, the bank has had only a few directors in its fifty-four years of operation.

As head of the bank, Mrs. Sumner serves as the treasurer and purchaser for the entire school, handling all orders made by any department. She also supervises the distribution of textbooks.

Guides serving as a depositary for Central's clubs and organizations, the bank cashes checks, sells bus tokens, and issues tickets to all school activities. It is also responsible for distributing caps and gowns, diplomas, senior rings,

graduation invitations, and the Champion.

Another facility, the bookstore, functions in close cooperation with the bank and has been in existence since Central was established. School supplies of all kinds are sold in the bookstore, which employs only boys and is open for business before school and during each lunch period.

Another phase of school life involved with the bank is the operation of the cafeteria which is partially aided by members of the Bank Staff, who collect and total lunch fees.

The Champion business staff also consists of three senior Bank Staff members, Julie Painter, Janis Willicombe, and Janet Maveety, who sell ads and manage the financial problems of Central's yearbook.

Besides devoting a period a day for staff service, students begin their yearly duties a week before

ceremonial banquet held March 6 at the Downtown Inn. Aided by their Business Education Department, eleven area high schools participated in the contest. Although this marks the first year Central has had winners in the mathematics division, it has had several winners in spelling competition.



—Photo by Ricky Vaughn. BUSINESS LEADERS—These girls were winners in a recent contest sponsored by the Administrative Management Society. From left, are Kerry Upton, Mary Barnes, and Shirley Blevins.

Alicia Williams Designs Award-Winning Bedroom

By Linda Westbrook

Junior Alicia Williams recently won first place in the Create-A-Room contest at the downtown Fowler Brothers Department Store.

Alicia won a \$25 Savings Bond and a \$25 gift certificate for use at Fowler's.

Second place winner was senior Amy Hickory, who received a \$15 gift certificate and \$10. Another senior, Janet Blevins, placed third and was awarded a \$15 gift certificate and \$5.

Junior Sandy Gist, who received Honorable Mention, was awarded a \$20 gift certificate.

The object of the course, which was held January 24 through February 21, was to make a dream bedroom. Mr. Worley and interior decorators judged the entries on a basis of 25 per cent for color; 25 per cent, scale and balance; 25 per

cent, effort; and 25 per cent, neatness. There were more representatives from Central than from any other school. "It was pleased that so many Central students responded to this opportunity of decorating," declared Mrs. Patricia Williamson, head of Central's home economics department.

At the end of the course, there was a special graduation for the girls, which parents and friends could attend. Miss Joan Barry, television personality, was the commentator for the event.

Other Central girls who participated in the program were Marcia Black, Denise Bacon, Beverly Lawson, Martha Snyder, Mary Snyder, Myriss Boyd, Kerry Upton, Debbie Tatum, Susie Trotter, Pat Shotton, Linda Commons, and Alicia Lambert.

Teacher Donates Books In Mrs. Dyer's Memory

By Terry Woods

Three books have been donated to the Central library in honor of the late Mrs. J. Pope Dyer by Miss Bobbie Ruth Hodges, senior history instructor.

Mrs. Dyer, wife of Mr. J. Pope Dyer, social science department head, passed away on February 16. She had served as Central's secretary and assistant registrar.

The volumes bear the "Tree of Life" bookplate, used in all memorial donations, which reads "In Loving Memory of Mrs. Anna Dyer."

The books donated are Our National Parks in Color by Devereux Butcher, Spellbinders in Suspense by Alfred Hitchcock, and Famous First Flights by Lowell Thomas. Miss Ellen Mullenix, head librarian, plans to construct a display for the books in the library.

Each student must receive the recommendation of his teachers or a staff member and serve an eight to ten week probation period to be eligible for membership.

Miss Mullenix also announced the purchase of a Se-In Labeler for the library. The apparatus consists of a special typewriter and labeling attachment.

The machine is used to establish a uniform lettering method on the spines of library books. Miss Mullenix explained that lettering the 19,000 volumes will take several months. So far, all reference books, fiction A through F, and new books have been labeled.

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It's happy smiles and daydreams and half-finished homework. It's sitting on the school lawn during lunch and wishing you were on the school lawn during class.

It's spring! And it has sprung with all the grandeur of sunshine, flowers, new green leaves, and God's ethereal art—white clouds on a beautiful blue sky.

Yes, spring is all this, and it is the season, so say, when "a young man's fancy lightly turns" to what girls have been thinking about all year.

Now figure that out! Perhaps girls have secretly been looking forward all year to baseball season. It seems unlikely.

Maybe girls are the only ones who yearn all year long to escape from the classroom.

Or it's possible that the fairer sex has been anxiously anticipating the first fishing trip of the year—with wriggly worms and slippery minnows. It's doubtful.

Love? Someone says it's love. "A young man's fancy turns to love" only in the spring? Who're you kidding? You girls, don't be fooled by that saying.

Whoever said it didn't know much about red-blooded American boys.

— T. M.



Gym Classes Elect Five As May Queen Royalty For April 29 Ceremony

By Mary Snyder

Student Council, candidate for Christmas prom queen, four-year honor student, Girls State alternate delegate, and a member of the Student Council Intercounty Council, volleyball team, and Senate.

Ginger Nye—Miss Central, senior class secretary, president of the Y-Teens, Military Queen, Gym Staff secretary, Homecoming Queen, one of the ten prettiest girls, Best All Round in the senior superlatives, Cystic Fibrosis Bowl Queen, Christmas Prom Queen, and a member of the Student Council and Loveman's Teen Board.

Debbie Phillips—Corresponding secretary of the Student Council, co-head cheerleader, Key Club Calendar Girl, Homecoming, Military, and Christmas prom queen candidate, and a member of the Office Force, Student Advisory Committee, FBIA, and Loveman's Teen Board.

Debbie Senterfit—Recording secretary of the Student Council, military queen candidate, candidate for governor of Girls State, Service in senior superlatives, co-head cheerleader, Key Club Calendar Girl, candidate for Miss Central, and a member of the Tri-Hi-Y and Champion Staff.

Seniors and sophomores in the girls' gym classes will present a program of dances and tumbling along with the traditional winding of the Maypole during the ceremony.

Senior girls who have had all A's in gym grades since the ninth grade are eligible to participate in the guard or the court.

Star Roll: John McQueen.

Honor Roll: Karen Askew, Debbie Cloud, Richard Duncan, Susan Everett, Charles Flora, Becky Hicks, Susan Jackson, Ramona McBay, Bertha McDonald, Ted Moon, Clyde Moore, Claudia Paris, Patti Shely, Stephanie Thompson, and Rebecca Westbrook.



—Photo by Robert Gansawer.

MAY DAY CANDIDATES—Enjoying an informal discussion are nominees, from left, Gail Coley, Rodena Cook, Debbie Phillips, Debbie Senterfit, and Ginger Nye.

Two Place In Contest For Essays

By Sandy Hickman

Two juniors, Mary Snyder and Sara Holmes, recently received certificates of Acceptance for essays they submitted to a semi-annual publication, Young America speaks, an anthology of prose.

The essay topics were presented by Mrs. June McEwen, English instructor, to her college preparatory classes as an assignment. The best essays were sent to the National Essay Press for judging.

The contest was open to all senior high school students, who were eligible to submit as many manuscripts as they desired on their assigned subject. The only restriction in the contest was the length of 150 words.

Other entrants competing in the contest were juniors Terry Upton, Robert White, and Kay Martin.

Principal Releases Third Quarter Roll; Ninety-five Reach Star, Honor Lists

The third quarter star and honor roll carries the names of ninety-five students, the highest number since the junior high was a part of Central announces Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

Senior

Star Roll: Jake Arbes, David Ashley, Barbara Button, Susan Davenport, Rebecca Duggan, Amy Hackney, Jimmy Indermill, Tommy Mathis, Becky Rievley, Debbie Senterfit, and Patricia Sheetz.

Honor Roll: Pauline Boyd, Gwen Brooks, Charles Chavis, Eugene Cheek, Yvette Clark, Linda Colbaugh, Gail Coley, Harold Downs, Joe Downs, Jeannie Dulp.

Linda Franklin, Linda Griffin, Betty Hardison, Susan Hayes, Phyllis Jackson, Chris Keefe, Mike Lees, Jackie Moon, Sandra Morgan, Cheri Moss, Julie Painter, Wanda Quarles.

Geneva Roberts, Phillip Rodman, Larry Shadrick, Sybil Smith, Harold Tyber, Mike Turmire, Steve

Watson, and Janis Willcombe.

Junior

Star Roll: Kay Clark, Arthur Finch, Nancy Hunt, Nancy Lewis, Steve Meyer, Mary Snyder, and Susan Spears.

Honor Roll: Linda Ault, Debbie Barnes, Pam Bishop, Pam Bowman, Janice Buuck, Myron Casada, Becky Cook, Barbara DeSha, Patti Dukes, Phyllis Fleming, Nancy Foster.

Sandy Gist, Sandy Hickman, Billy Kennedy, Jane Leonard, Sharon McCall, Julia Massey, Tony Metcalf, John Neff, Glenda Porter, Brenda

Patricia Sheetz, Jimmy Indermill Win 1969 DAR, SAR Medals, Certificates

By Terry Woods

Seniors Patricia Sheetz and Jimmy Indermill have been elected to receive the Citizenship Awards presented by the Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution, revealed Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, election co-sponsor.

The students were nominated by the senior class on the basis of dependability, leadership, service, and patriotism.

According to the rules of the Chickamauga Chapter of the DAR and the John Sevier Chapter of the SAR, the four girls and four boys receiving the highest number of votes were presented for approval by the office and then voted on by the faculty.

Patricia is associate editor of the Digest, first semester secretary of the National Honor Society, and a member of the Gym Staff, Tri-Hi-Y, Senate, Math Club, and Student Council.

Jimmy, Student Council president, is vice-president of the senior class, a candidate for Mr. Central, sergeant-at-arms of the Key Club, and a member of the C Club and baseball and basketball teams.



—Photo by Robert Gansawer.

PATRIOTIC TWOSOME—Observing a national tradition, the saluting of the flag, are Jimmy Indermill, SAR winner, and Patricia Sheetz, DAR recipient.

New Teacher, Secretary Join Faculty at Central

By Marianne Tinker

Mrs. Paul E. George, business education teacher, and Mrs. John V. Allyn, school secretary, are two new additions to the Central faculty.

Mrs. George has taken the place of Mrs. Patricia Coggin, who is on leave of absence.

A former Central student, Mrs. George has done substitute teaching at the school for over twelve years.

She received her Bachelors Degree in Business Administration at the University of Chattanooga, where she was a member of the Phi Kappa Sorority.

Chattanooga High School and Wiley Business College. She has worked as a secretary at the Provident Life Insurance Company and North Chattanooga Elementary School.

She and Mrs. George both agree that they like Central and commented on its "good school spirit."

Mrs. George said, "Central has always seemed to have more school spirit than any other school."

Prior to coming to Central, she was employed by the Hamilton County Department of Education. In addition to her present duties as school secretary, she sponsors the Office Force.

From the Editor's Desk

Things Have Changed

Over two centuries ago, Americans (called colonists at that time) were fighting for an idea. Their theory was that they, as citizens of 13 independent colonies, should be free to live in a democracy with equal rights for all and without oppression from a foreign country.

Many men of this era were willing to fight and to die so that this idea would become a reality — men like George Washington and John Sevier, who led a bold struggle for independence.

Today, the situation in America has changed; and, for many, the ideas behind democracy have changed; also. The spirit of patriotism which once inspired men to fight for independence has become somewhat inconspicuous because of the attitudes of draft dodgers and demonstrators. The pride in country and flag has been overshadowed by the indifference and uneasiness of embarrassed "patriots."

Although two centuries have erased for many people the memories of America's long fight for freedom, the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution (descendants of soldiers in this war) try to honor those who show a strong love for their country and exhibit it through good citizenship.

We congratulate the seniors who, in the opinion of the senior class and the faculty, best represent the ideals of good American citizens — Patricia Sheetz and Jimmy Indermill.

I Just Want To Say...

Dear Editor, I am writing to you only in the interest of self-preservation. Unlike my predecessors, I am not willing to take a beating without having my say about the college application situation.

In approximately six weeks Central High School will graduate around 300 seniors, many of whom plan to attend a college or university next fall. I am not particularly worried about those who know exactly where they're going and have taken steps to make certain they'll arrive there.

It's those who can't make up their minds that cause the frustration, headaches, and eventual collapse of us here at the office. In fact, the uncertainty of this minority group that exists in every senior class in Hamilton County is the direct cause for the chaos here when we have to mail and process applications, transcripts, financial aid applications, and health forms in half the time we were allotted for the other applicants.

In short, this letter is a direct plea to your undecided potential college students. If it is not somehow heeded, I am afraid that next year at this time I shall no longer be your

Friendly College Registrar —P.S.



Not Any More

Walking your girl home after school... stopping for a malt on the way... talking and laughing with friends as a jukebox blares out the latest hit tunes...

Sharing personal problems with understanding classmates who are always ready to listen and suggest solutions... Sound like scenes from a television melodrama? Odd as it may seem, this was a way of life for many people before the advent of the television, radio, telephone, and other means of communication.

That was before. Not now, though. Why walk your girl home when you both drive cars and live across town from each other?

Why go into a malt shop to talk with friends when you can drive in your car? Why share personal problems and feelings with acquaintances who hardly know you?

Achievements in communication do acquaint more people, but in what ways? A voice over an inter-com or telephone, a toot of a horn, an occasional "hello," or wave of a hand...

In any phase of life, a price must be paid for progress. Sadly enough, the price for these advances in communication is a degeneration of personal relationships among the individuals of today's growing society.

—W.M.

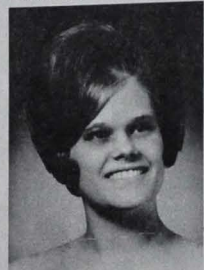
Spotlight on Seniors

Anthony Morgan, Norma Miller Enjoy Active Participation in Vocal Music

By Beth Jeffers

Music dominates conversations between Norma Miller and Anthony Morgan, and they seem well-qualified to discuss it.

Anthony can talk about many phases of music since he plays the piano, participates in the band, and



Norma

Spring Brings Long Weekends

By Tommy Mathis

Spring has established the "latest thing" in school attendance—three-day weekends.

On Mondays teachers are swamped by excuses from those who believe in "long weekends." Our harried pedagogues have learned to read between the lines, though.

For instance, they've learned that "illness" could mean several things: you were really sick, you were sick of school, or your friends were sick of you.

And "funeral" could mean someone you knew truly died, your car suddenly passed away, or your interest in school died.

"Appointment" means you had to see your dentist, you had to have your car repaired, or your girl (or beau) was meeting you at the lake.

"Cold" indicates either that you had one or that the wind was too chilly.

Then there are those who have an "appointment" on Friday and a "cold" (contracted over the swinging weekend) on Monday.

There are extremists in every group.



—Photo by Mr. Steve Wall.

PENNIES FROM HEAVEN—Jake Arbes showers Eddie Nethery with pennies, his award for solving a puzzle in the April Fool's edition of the Digest. The other winner is Earl Newport.

sings in the glee club. "Music can be used simply for entertainment," he said, "but it has a serious side, too."

A senior in the Varsity Glee Club, Anthony sang in the all-state chorus at the end of March. He remarked, "It was great singing in all-state. I received help for my career there. I got to meet people and discuss music."

He continued, "I want to be a music teacher simply because I like music. Even though I'm planning to major in vocal music in college, but acting is very important to her, also.

Wittiest in the senior superlatives, Norma was able to display her wit through humorous characters in the junior play and Champion Night last year and this year's senior play.

"Although I love to sing, I can express myself better when I act," she said. "When acting, I don't use just my voice to show my emotions; I use my whole body.

"Singing leans more toward

reality, while acting is different from life," she explained. "I can make myself a completely different person on stage if I need to."

"I like to sing and act, but I don't want to do either one professionally; I want to be a nurse," she revealed. "The 'Angel of Mercy' idea appeals to her. 'I want to be connected with people, nursing and helping them.'"



Anthony

Cafeteria Cowboys Bring Old West Back To Life

By Layton Jackson

"This is for an ice cream" or "Where's my change?" Peace usually reigns; but when one cowboy gets high (either by drinking two pints of milk instead of one or by eating potato chips with his ice cream), Sheriff Bobbie Ruth Hodges is on the job to restore order.

Using only her will of iron and a piercing stare, Sheriff Hodges can break down the most desperate hound. With the help of her cowhands, she can keep order on the frontier.

Yes, the days of Billy the Kid, Jesse James, and Wyatt Earp are gone, but the tradition of the "Old West" will never die as long as there are rails and ice cream for Central's "Cafeteria Cowboys" to depend on.

The "Riders of the Purple Domain" are ever threatening to bury cashiers Julia Massey and Nancy Hunt under a barrage of dimes. The hearing of these poor, hard-working members of the Bank Staff is also endangered by shouts of

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Students Express Views On Area Social Problems

Several psychology and sociology students at Central are using panel discussions and experiment teams to relate their ideas to parents and acquaint themselves with area welfare organizations.

Directed by Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department, the experiment team consists of above average students who report their observations to their classes.

During the week of April 5-9, the teams visited the Siskin Memorial Foundation, the Big Brothers Association, Orange Grove School for the Mentally Retarded, and the Goodwill Industries.

Eighteen Receive Awards For Academic Endeavors

Eighteen seniors and juniors were presented Student Council Academic Awards by Dr. Sam P. Connell, superintendent of schools, at special ceremonies on March 14 during an all-student assembly.

Receiving trophies as the senior girl and boy with the highest scholastic average were Barbara Butley with a 4.0 average and David Hickey with a 3.986.

Besides receiving the award for high scholastic average, David Hickey also presented trophies for achievements in science, mathematics, English, ROTC, and social studies.

Other upperclassmen who received departmental honors were Patricia Sheetz, English and Latin; Leah Partain, girls' physical education; Harold Downs, boys' physical education.

Gail Coley, home economics; Susan Hayes, music; Edward Pell, art; Sean Davenport, social science; and Linda Franklin, business education.

Underclassman awards went to Susan Spears, English and social studies; Janice Myhan, art; Brenda Howell, business education; Tony Hecoff, foreign language; Don Ingram, ROTC.

Steve Meyer, science; John Neff, mathematics; Steve Crewe, well, music; and Jan Templeton, home economics.

A special award was presented to Jimmy Indermill for his achievement.

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Central Places First at Cheer-o-rama

A group of six Central cheerleaders was recently named the Most Outstanding Squad at the annual Cheer-o-rama held March 8 at Woodward Academy near Atlanta.

Central representatives were junior Julia Massey and sophomores Aileen Bradford, Starr Ivester, Janet Kropff, Genee Lawson, and Karen Weaks.

Concerning the award, Miss Anne Lovell, who accompanied the girls, commented, "The squad's enthusiasm, group co-ordination, overall attitude, and ability to learn cheers were determining factors in Central's being the recipient of the award."

This year's judges felt that three squads deserved the award; and since they had only one trophy, they agreed to present two additional trophies to Central and the other squad at a later date.

"We will present ours to the school during assembly as soon as we receive it," explained Julia, who acted as Central's head cheerleader at the workshop.

At the workshop cheerleaders learned new cheers, songs, formations, and co-ordination exercises. They were judged on their performance at the end of the sessions.

In regard to the program, Aileen stated, "The workshops were particularly beneficial because we are



PERFECTING FORMATIONS—Karen Weaks, Julia Massey, Starr Ivester, Genee Lawson, and Aileen Bradford, from left, practice stunts learned at a recent cheerleading camp. Not pictured is Janet Kropff.

able to meet other cheerleaders, learn new methods of cheering, and are taught the proper principles to follow at sports events."

Besides leading the group, Julia Massey was also one of the four elected, from approximately 400 girls who attended, to be a teacher in the two-week camp which will be held at the academy during August.

Guidance Selects Fifteen To Help in Staff Duties

By Gayle Young

Ten juniors and five sophomores have been named as new members of the Guidance Staff, announced Mrs. Myrvin Okrasinski and Mr. James Wood, guidance counselors.

Newly-selected juniors are Judy Womack, Alicia Bueck, Amanda Rhodes, Alicia Lambert, Barbara DeSha, Glenda Porter, Kristine Tacklin, Debbie Barnes, Pam Denham, and Sharon Overton.

Sophomores are Becky Watson, Becky Hicks, Sherry Ritchie, Diane Burke, and Judy Graham.

Concerning the duties of the staff members, Mrs. Okrasinski explained, "The girls help in the orientation of new students, do clerical work, and run errands."

In April the new members will aid in the registration of next year's students and in the compilation of schedules.

Mr. Wood added, "During the remaining months we plan to have the new members helping in the guidance office so that they can get acquainted with this type of work."

ROTC Program Celebrates Five Decades of Training

By Wayne McCoy

Observing its golden anniversary this year, Central's Reserve Officers Training Corps has provided additional military instruction to eventual soldiers of World War II, as well as of lesser conflicts, including the present one in Vietnam.

Besides taking an active part in the ROTC program, many Central graduates have chosen various branches of the armed forces as their careers.

Other than regular ROTC training, the program offers a study in precision exercises by the drill team and marksmanship firing by the rifle team.

Perhaps a fact unknown by today's cadets is that ROTC was set up by the United States Congress in 1919 at the end of World War I to help guarantee a supply of adequately trained men in case of future emergencies.

Only eight years after the program was initiated, Central gained the distinction of being an Honor School from the Secretary of the Army.

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Diamondmen Battle Trojans Tuesday; Clash With Hustlin' Tigers Thursday

Central's baseball team, with two HIL AA games behind them, travel to Soddy-Daisy for their first HIL A Division test Tuesday and then to Howard on Thursday.

The Trojans will be relying on the hitting strength of Kenneth Heiss, Steve Walker, Mike Williams, and Tommy Daniels. Right-handers Barry Hudson and Daniels or southpaw Gerry Cox will handle the mound duties.

"Our hitting and defense are solid, but we need pitchers," commented Coach Jack Archer. Stan Cox and Steve Wehmyer are the most likely to start for Central.

The Pounders will be led by captain Larry McGill, shortstop, and co-captain Ronnie Holder, leftfielder.

First-baseman Tim Thornhill, second-baseman Tommy Hyler, third-baseman Bobby Downs, and fielders Jim Nelson and Ricky and Ronnie Holder will also start for the Pounders.

Coach Archer still hasn't decided who will get the catcher's spot left vacant by the graduation of Craig Odman. Seniors Lynn Carr, Jimmy Indermill, and Kyle Askew are the most likely to receive the assignment. Indermill and Askew received limited experience in games last season.

Leading the Purple batting attack will be Ricky Holder (.394), McGill (.381), Downs (.375), Thornhill (.363), and Ronnie Holder (.331).

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

APRIL	
22 SODDY-DAISY	Away 4:00
24 HOWARD	Away 4:00
25 EAST RIDGE	Home 4:00
28 OOLTEWAH	Away 4:00
29 RIVERSIDE	Away 4:00
MAY	
1 BRAINERD	Home 4:00
2 TYNER	Home 4:00
6 KIRKMAN	Away 4:00
8 NOTRE DAME	Away 4:00
10 OAK RIDGE	Home 9:30 a.m.
12:23 DISTRICT TOURNEY Engel Stadium	

Net Squad Meets City On Tuesday

In its first six games of the season, the girls' volleyball team compiled a 2-4 record and is now preparing for an April 22 encounter against City's Dynahs.

The Pounder losses came at the hands of East Ridge 5-0, Ooltewah 5-0, Soddy-Daisy 2-1, and Kirkman 2-0. Victories were gained over GPS 5-3 and Brainerd 2-1.

"This year's team is better developed than last year's; they have a better team effort and are making progress every practice," stated Mrs. Margaret Hammack, girls' volleyball coach.

A new addition to the team is sophomore Pam Cain.

"Right now we're playing only practice games to see what sixteen girls will survive the final cut," explained Mrs. Hammack.

The Pounder netters will continue to play these practice games until the City-County Volleyball Tournament to be held May 5.

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That's the day the Pounders travel to Soddy-Daisy, and you can play our guess-the-score baseball game.

Here's how the game works: On the day of each game a box will be placed by the rotunda. Write what you guess the score of the game will be and in what inning the most runs will be scored (to break a tie), sign your name, and drop your guess into the box.

After the game the cheerleaders will check the ballots in the box. They will announce the winner and award the prizes the following day.

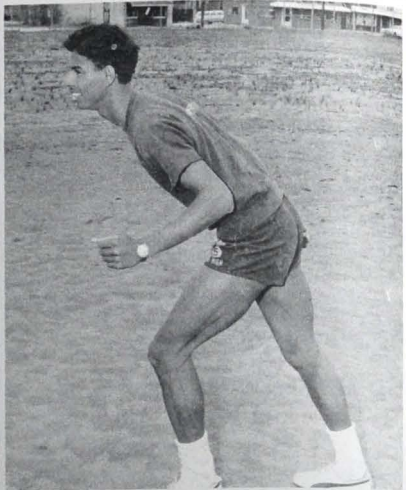
Looking at the upcoming game scientifically, Central had 300-plus hitting from Rick Holder, Larry McGill, Tim Thornhill, Bobby Downs, and Ron Holder last year. On the other hand, the Trojans had only four hitters past the magic 300 mark.

Last year the Pounders had an 11-3 record, while Soddy-Daisy had an 8-7 slate.

Super Scoop

From our "Things You Might Not Have Known If You Didn't Read the Digest" department comes this tidbit: Bobby Downs, captain of next year's football team, will not be eligible to participate in any other sports after the next football season is over because he transferred to Red Bank for a short time when he was in the eighth grade.

Red Bank has a disturbing way of throwing a bolt into Central's athletic success.



—Photo by Robert Gansaway

MOVING RIGHT ALONG—Anthony Crutcher, a 220-yard dash specialist, practices to cut down his time for the Tyner meet.

Central Busy Preparing For Golf, Track Meets

By Layton Jackson

Central's track team travels to Tyner tonight and then visits Ooltewah and Kirkman within a four-day span in preparation for the City-County Track Tournament, April 26.

Tyner, the defending HIL A Division champion, will depend on its top point-getter from last year, Gary Johnson, and low-hurdles record-holder James Gallahan to offset the Pounders' Rudolph Chambliss and Anthony Crutcher.

In golf, Central's linksmen prepare for the City Prep Tournament, April 28, with matches against Cleveland, April 21, and Baylor, April 24.

Cleveland, which defeated the Pounders last year 6-0, will be led by its only returning letterman, Scott Hannah.

Baylor, with four returning lettermen, will rely on Bobby Palm-

quist and King Oehmig to carry the load.

Central's Wes Gilliland, a senior, recently competed in the Junior Orange Bowl Golf Tournament, along with Baylor's Palmquist.

Track Schedule

April 18—at Tyner; April 22—at Ooltewah; April 24—at Kirkman; April 26 at Brainerd (City-County Tourney).
May 3—at Brainerd (District Tourney); May 10—at Knoxville (Regional Tournament).

Golf Schedule

April 21—at Cleveland; April 24 at Baylor; April 28—City Prep Tourney.
May 1—City; May 5—Kirkman; May 8—Tyner; May 12—at Brainerd; May 15—East Ridge; May 19—Regional Tourney.



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—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

TO REIGN TODAY—May Day king and queen candidates are, from left, front row, Debbie Senterfit, Gail Coley, Miss Royal Queen, Miss Royal Jo Smith, Harold Downs, Tim Thornhill, Ronnie Holder, Ricky Holder, Danny Adams. Not pictured is Debbie Phillips.

Gym Classes To Perform For King, Queen of May At 2 O'clock Ceremony

By Terry Woods

Central's Dodds Avenue campus will be the scene of the last May Day ceremony at the present location at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Queen candidates chosen by the girls' physical education classes are Gail Coley, Rodena Cook, Ginger Nye, Debbie Phillips, and Debbie Senterfit. They will be attired in full-length white gowns.

King candidates, selected by the C Club, are Danny Adams, Harold Downs, Ricky Holder, Ronnie Holder, and Tim Thornhill.

Entertainment will be provided by six girls' gym classes after the crowning of the royal couple by Principal W. Hobart Millsaps and the 1968 May Queen, Miss Royal Jo Smith.

In keeping with the "Frontier Days" theme, the first and sixth periods will present an Indian dance; second and third periods, a square dance; fourth period, a tumbling act; and seventh period, a novelty routine.

Mrs. Margaret Hammack and Miss Ann Lovell, gym instructors, will co-ordinate the performances. Mr. Morris Bales and the school band will provide the music for the occasion.

Sophomore Aileen Bradford, court jester, will perform with each of the gym classes. Junior Susan Spears will be the announcer.

Tami Shuford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shuford, will be the trainbearer, and Roger Thomas Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Williamson, will serve as the crownbearer.

The court, seniors selected by the queen candidates, will wear lavender dresses; and the guard, seniors who have received all A's and 10 more than one B in gym, will be attired in pink and blue gowns.

Juniors, wearing green and yellow dresses, will wind the two Maypoles.

May Day ceremonies were formerly held on Frawley Field but eventually had to be moved to McClellan Field because of lack of spectator space. At these locations, approximately 1,200 participated in the activities each year. All girls took part, and the senior girls wound 15 Maypoles.

Until 1942 the name of the queen, her runner-up, and her maid of honor were revealed immediately after the election.

Eleven Central Mathematicians Place In Three Divisions of City Competition

By Marianne Tinker

Eleven Central students placed the top ten in three different divisions of the thirteenth annual State Mathematics Contest on April 15.

In the geometry division, John McQueen placed first; Cathy Bunt, fourth; and Chuck Flora, eighth. Also entering this division were Clyde Moore and Ted Moon.

In the Algebra II division those in the top ten were John Neff, second; Ola Wood, fifth; Billy Ken-

edy, seventh; Steve Meyer, eighth; and Arthur Finch, ninth.

In the comprehensive division Barbara Button placed second; David Ashley, ninth; and Harold Tyber, tenth. Mike Turmmire also entered this division.

Students across the state take the tests at designated places in their region. Tests of the top three in each division from each region are then compared.

Then the top three contestants

of the state are determined from these papers and are given plaques or trophies according to their scores.

In the previous years Central has had four first place state winners along with others who placed high. In 1964 Hank Mosberg placed first in Algebra I; in 1965 Frank Goforth won the same honor. Frank placed first in geometry in 1966, and Barbara Button placed second.

Last year, Frank tied for first place with Jimmy Mullican in comprehensive, while Barbara, David Ashley, and Patricia Sheetz tied for first in geometry in local competition.

Tickets for May 9 Prom Free to Juniors, Seniors

By Sandy Hickman

Tickets for the annual junior-senior prom, to be held May 9 at the Hamilton County Park Pavilion, are available through the English classes for only three more days.

"Over the Rainbow" is the theme for this formal dance, and music will be directed by Mr. Morris Bales. The junior class sponsors of the prom, which is financed by the annual junior-senior selling project.

Letters from other area high schools must have signed permission slips, which may be obtained from Miss Marjorie Ogle, junior class sponsor. Tickets are free to juniors and seniors and must be turned by their English teachers.

Student committees are Debbie Brown, Patti Duke, Jayne Arnold, Dale Wyatt, Susan Spears, and Steve Meyer, decorations; Debbie Brown, Linda Westbrook, and Gayle Jones, publicity; Bobby Downs, ticket distribution.

Orla Tyle and Julia Massey, ticket list; junior class officers Bob Downs, president; Bob Few,

Faculty To Show Talents on Stage In Annual Display

By Terry Woods

For the third straight year, the faculty will be in the spotlight during their annual talent show, tentatively scheduled for tomorrow's activity period.

Mr. Jack Archer, master of ceremonies for the third straight year, will introduce the teachers, some of whom have participated in the past two programs.

"Plans are very hush-hush," states Mrs. Frank Robbins, who is acting as co-chairman for the show with Mr. Everett O'Neal.

Tickets are on sale for 15 cents in advance or 25 cents at the door.

If May Day is cancelled because of bad weather, the show will be today.

Eight Juniors To Attend Girls, Boys Conventions

By Gayle Young

Eight juniors will represent Central at Girls and Boys State, and one 1968 Girls State delegate, senior Debbie Senterfit, will serve as a counselor.

Representatives to Girls State are Mary Snyder, Marianne Tinker, and Sandy Doane. Alternates are Susan Spears, Jayne Arnold, Jan Templeton, and Debbie Breen.

Delegates to Boys State are Jim Barclay, Steve Meyer, Myron Casada, Jimmy Stratigos, and Bobby Downs. Alternates are Steve Creswell, Don Howard, and Layton Jackson.

Students are chosen by a faculty committee headed by Mrs. Reba Fults. Their selection is based on honor, courage, leadership, service, and participation in school activities.

"Learning about governmental procedures and patriotism are only a few of the accomplishments achieved at Girls State," stated Debbie.

Girls and Boys State is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary of Tennessee. The girls will meet June 1-7 at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro. The boys' convention will be held May 31-June 6 at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville.

Delegates to Boys State must be in the upper third of the junior class in scholastic standing.

The conventions give students an opportunity to increase their knowledge about government and gain experience by operating a miniature Tennessee state government and electing their own governing officials.

"After attending Girls State, you come home feeling much better about your country," Debbie said. "You feel proud to stand when you hear the national anthem."



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

CHYDING BRIEFLY—Girls and Boys State delegates are, from left, Mary Snyder, Bobby Downs, Debbie Senterfit, Myron Casada, Sandy Doane, Jim Barclay, Steve Meyer, and Marianne Tinker. Not pictured is Jimmy Stratigos.

Limits of Dissent

Today's youth are in revolt—a revolt primarily stimulated by the rude shattering of idealistic conceptions about their nation as a classless society in which all persons are assured of basic rights and opportunities.

Thousands of young men protest that they should not be subject to induction or, if drafted, should be given conscientious-objector status because of their belief that the nation's participation in this particular war is "immoral."

One may respect their sincerity and sympathize with their problem; but in fact, their claim that rejection of a certain war should prevail over the state's needs is hardly consistent with the idea that democracy is for the nation as a whole—not the individual.

From the state's viewpoint, a disagreement about a war is a difference of judgment or policy and should be weighed in light of the general welfare of the masses; it is not and cannot be accepted as stemming from a moral or religious belief.

Once the state has decided that a war is right and/or necessary to its survival and the honoring of commitments, the individual must conform to the government's position until it is changed by official action.

Conformity, however, does not necessarily mean agreement. Disagreement may take the form of protest, mass demonstrations, and similar methods. But it is important that these "other methods" use by dissenters be within the limits an organized, democratic society can endure.

— J. A.

New Spring Malady

Central teachers have the fever. It isn't the lovebug, the skipping itch, or the contagious daydreaming blues which reach epidemic stage among students at this time every year.

Head librarian Miss Ellen Mullenix, for example, will close the library earlier than usual this year. She must complete her inventory and records early in order to prepare approximately 19,000 books and other equipment for the movers.

Mr. R. S. Wharton, printing instructor, will also have earlier deadlines this year so he can get the presses ready for the big move.

Other faculty members, too, are cleaning out files and arranging their stacks of books and folders for removal to the new building.

All this feverish activity can only make the last days at the old Central a bit more confusing and chaotic than usual.

— P. S.

Dial-A-Date

Centralites who don't attend the junior-senior prom next week will be missing a great thing.

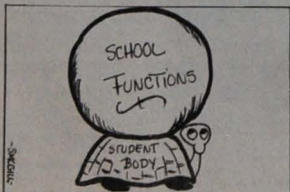
First of all, this is one of the few chances students have to witness their teachers attempting to fit old-fashioned steps to modern music. That's quite a show—and it's free!

And when else can girls see their masculine boy friends eating dainty sandwiches—with little fingers outstretched?

Another prime attraction of the evening is seeing how many couples are still together after all the no breaks are over... or seeing how many girls (who have dates with two left feet) are still there at all.

Yes, the evening offers unexpected entertainment from all angles. So, to the boy who can't decide if he really wants to spend his money on the junior-senior "frolics" this year, I implore you to ask someone tonight—happiness may be just a phone call away.

—265-1411.



Spotlight on Seniors

Eddie Nethery, Cheri Moss Organize Plans for Graduation, Then College

By Beth Jeffers

As the end of their senior year draws near, Eddie Nethery and Cheri Moss are starting to plan for graduation and the future.

Cheri is planning for graduation by writing the speech she will present at Commencement as class representative. Her future plans include a career in art, although she's not sure what college she will choose.

Eddie is looking beyond graduation. He has selected a college to attend—UT at Knoxville—and a career to follow—corporation lawyer.

Eddie explained, "I want to be a corporation lawyer, because I'm interested in sociology and politics, which are basic parts of law."

He continued, "As a corporation lawyer, I'd work for a company behind the scenes, trying to get the company's cases settled out of court. The corporation lawyer doesn't have the dramatics of a court lawyer, but I'd rather not have to speak in front of groups of people."

"I've made an agreement with the Navy, so I can complete my education before I serve in the armed forces," he said.

"When I finish four years of liberal arts courses and three years of law at UT, I'll go directly into the Navy as a Navy lawyer with the rank of first lieutenant."

"I don't have specific plans for the future, yet," Cheri admitted, "but I do plan to go to college."

After college, I'll probably work with art in some profession, possibly as an art teacher. "I'm interested in art, because when I'm working with it, I can go into another world," she smiled; "I can escape from this world into another that doesn't have all sorts of little troubles—like Excedrin headaches."



UP THE DOWN STAIRCASE—Cheri Moss, head user, scolds Eddie Nethery as he tries to sneak past her to go up a down staircase.

—Photo by Jimmy Berger

At the Prom

The Romance Is Over When—

By Jake Arbes and Charles Collins

Your date says he'll pick you up at 8:30 sharp, and the prom starts at 8:00.

Your date brings you a corsage—of poison ivy.

Your date tries to give away his prom tickets in front of the Hamilton County Pavilion.

Your date pays a guy a quarter to sign your no break.

Your date's friend offers him a Coke for you, and he says it would be a fair trade.

Your date asks you if you'd like to dance and then goes to find you a partner.

Your date leaves to get you a drink of punch and comes back in 1½ hours—with an empty cup.

Your date says that you're wearing too much make-up, and you suddenly realize that you don't have any on at all.

Your date introduces you to a teacher as Mary—and your name is Teresa.

Your date says he won't engage you in a battle of wits, because he never attacks anyone who's unarmed.

Your date says he'd like to help you out and then asks which way you came in.

Your date says you have a very striking face and then asks how many times you were struck there.

Your date goes to get the car and forgets to take you home.

Your date asks if you'd mind riding in the back seat on the way home.

Your date's car breaks down in a wooded area, and he really tries to fix it.

Your date kisses you good night through the screen door.

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Plebeians Mark Triumph As Next Year's Leaders

By Sandy Hickman

Juniors Jimmy Stratigos and Mary Snyder of the Plebeian Party defeated Ronnie Holiaway and Steve Meyer of the Populist Party in the Senate Debate held April 11 in assembly.

Jimmy and Mary presented the affirmative side of the question "Should the government have control over the censorship of television?" while Ronnie and Steve stated the negative.

A debate is held each year to test new club officers. After the assembly presentation, the faculty and the students voted for the side which presented what they thought



SENATE OFFICERS—Discussing plans for next year with Mrs. June McEwen, sponsor, are Jimmy Stratigos, newly-elected president; and Mary Snyder, vice-president.

Central's Golden Years

Champion, Digest Compile Highlights of Past Year

By Wayne McGoy

As the conclusion of another school year approaches, students have many memories, the highlights of which are recoded in Central's Champion and Digest.

The Champion, which contains photographs of the faculty and students, also displays the different facets of student life, including athletics, clubs, and various other extracurricular activities.

Each year, the Champion Staff strives to typify the spirit of the students through the annual, and each copy becomes a little more personal with respect to the various signatures and messages written in them by classmates.

Formerly the yearbook contained the speeches of the Reader of the Fall, the Poet, Prophet, and Historian, as well as an editorial and a joke section, which featured sayings of that era.

The Champion Staff has participated in various workshops, and this year the yearbook won second place in tri-state competition for layout.

Established in 1910, The Central Digest covers students' academic and extracurricular activities and serves as a permanent record for the events of every school year. The Digest has since earned the title of Superior, Medalist, and Best Place from either Columbia Scholastic Press Association or the

Sophomore Places First In Southern Skate Meet

"I have never been so nervous or excited in my life as the moment they announced my name," stated Central sophomore Brenda Lawson, who recently won first place in the Gold Coast Roller Skating Meet.

She entered two divisions, earning her trophy in the dancing competition and placing sixth in the figure-skating event.

"The contest was held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and was primarily for Southerners; but some participated from as far away as California," explained Brenda.

Her achievements in this meet enable her to enter the regional competition. If she places in the top three there, she will be eligible for the national contest to be held in Lincoln, Nebraska.

In regard to her number one rating, Brenda commented, "I've entered about 20 similar contests, but until this one I had never placed over fourth or fifth in any of the different classes."

Brenda, who estimates that she practices about 22 hours a week at Southland Roller Ring, said, "It's really worth it because of the chance to meet people, the challenge of competition, the feeling of accomplishment, and the fun."

Steve Horten Runner-Up In JA Salesman Contest

Sophomore Steve Horten, purchasing manager of the Jabelco Junior Achievement Company, was recently named first runner-up in a best salesman contest.

The contest, sponsored by the Sales and Marketing Executives of Chattanooga, was designed to find the most persuasive merchandise seller of all the JA corporations.

"Winners were determined by their ability to sell products to a sample customer, a lady contacted beforehand by officials of the contest," explained Steve.

"We were judged on our selling ability, knowledge of the product, and speech technique," said Steve.

Tyner's Frank Davey won the contest and went to Jacksonville, Florida, for the regional competition. Second runner-up was Kathy Gnome from Notre Dame.

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Clubs, Staff Participate In Meetings

Members of the Future Business Leaders of America, the National Honor Society, and the Digest Staff recently represented Central in three state conventions.

At the FBLA convention, held April 11 and 12 in Nashville, members of the club competed with representatives from other high schools. Gayle Young was elected secretary and ranked third in a speech contest. Joyce Smith received a seventh place rating general business.

Becky Rievely ran for Miss FBLA, Jennie Haining served as Gayle's campaign manager, and Gayla Wheeler acted as Central's activity reporter.

The East Tennessee State Convention for the National Honor Society was April 12 at East Ridge High School.

Jake Arbes nominated Central as the president chapter and host for next year's convention but was defeated in his effort by Knoxville Bearden High School, which won the election.

Susan Hayes and Barry Odum provided a portion of the entertainment with a flute and guitar duet.

Other Central representatives were Susan Davenport, Amy Hackney, Sybil Smith, Tommy Mathis, Harold Tyber, Rodney Cook, Sandra Barnes, and Barbara Batten.

On April 5, members of the Digest Staff attended a workshop at David Lipscomb College in Nashville, where the Digest was ranked the second best paper in the competition.

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Diamondmen Battle Riverside Tuesday



—Photo by Jimmy Berger.

ALMOST ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH—Pounder Steve Wehmyer slides in too late as Red Bank's Lynn Floyd puts the tag on him. Central won the game 5-4.

Central's baseball team, riding high on the HIL AA standings, collides with Riverside Tuesday. The Pounders entertain Brainerd this Thursday and Tyner the following day to round out their busy schedule for the week.

Pitcher Edward Strickland is expected to be the Trojans' main threat to the Pounder hitting attack. Strickland hurled a perfect game last year.

Bobby Crutcher and Joseph Lawrence are Riverside's leading batters. Leading Brainerd, last season's HIL AA Division champions, will be pitcher Johnny Cunningham and catcher Jerry Shive, both Times All-City players last season.

Also seeing action for the Rebels will be Coleman Burroughs, whose homer helped put the Pounders out of the HIL AA championship race last year.


Bobby Allison's pitching and Wayne Combs' hitting could pose problems for Central when the Pounders meet Tyner. Allison threw a three-hitter against East Ridge.

In the first game of the season, Central made Coach Jack Archer's coaching debut a happy one by coming from behind to nip Red Bank 5-4.

"If we can keep improving, we'll scare some people before this season is over," said Coach Archer after the game.

After trailing 3-1 in the first inning, Central steadily fought back with the pitching of Stan Cox and Steve Wehmyer and the hitting of Bobby Downs, Ricky and Ronnie Holder, and Larry McGill.

The winning run for Central came in the sixth when Ricky Duncan got aboard with a walk and scored when Ricky Holder drew a walk with the bases loaded.



Time Out With Jake

Arbes

Nelson's Big Comeback

When you were a little kid just starting to walk, frightening your parents to death by knocking over tables and lamps as you ran through the house, Jim Nelson was frightening his parents to death, too — but in a different way. Jim was frightening his parents by not being able to walk through the house, much less run through it.



Jim Nelson

Jim's father signed a contract with a professional team, but he quit to enlist during World War II.

You see, until Jim Nelson was about two and one-half years old, he had polio.

"I think I was born with it," Jim said. "The doctors didn't even know what it was until I was around two; and then, since the cure hadn't been developed yet, they didn't know what to do about it."

"When I was two and a half, the polio just went away," Jim shrugged.

As you can imagine, Jim's parents (especially his father) were quite glad when he started running around the house. Mr. Nelson wanted Jim to follow in his footsteps — as a baseball player.

Key To Success

"He's been the biggest influence in my life," Jim said of his father. "Ever since I was five, I got anything I wanted from him that had to do with baseball."

"When I was in grammar school, he was my first coach, and he helped us win a championship. Even now, he gets off from work just to watch me play."

Jim's father must see some familiar faces when he comes to watch his son. Jim has known most of the players since he was eleven.

"Ricky and Ronnie Holder and I played on the same Little League team against Tim Thornhill, Tommy Hylar, and Bobby Downs on other teams. I think that's the key to our success," said Jim.

"We've known each other for so long that we play harder. With this cooperation we can do anything any other team can do — only better."

If you don't believe him, ask Red Bank and Soddy-Daisy.

Golfers Meet Dynamos; Lose to Lions, Wildcats

By Layton Jackson

A match up between Wes Gilliland and Gary Chazen, considered by local sportswriters as two of Chattanooga's better young golfers, should highlight the May 1 match between Central and City.

Playing without the services of senior Larry McGill, the Pounder linksmen will be relying heavily on Gilliland and sophomore Joe Hollerbach in their effort to better last year's 6-0 loss to the Dynamos. McGill will be in a baseball game that day.

Kirkman, in his first year of golf competition, provides the opposition for Central May 5. Steve Arnold

and Jim McMurray are the mainstays in the Hawk foursome.

Central dropped its first two matches of the season to Hixson 3½-2½ and to Red Bank 4-2.

In the Hixson match Hollerbach and the team of Gilliland and Hollerbach won. McGill was Central's only singles winner in the Red Bank match.

Gilliland, slowed by poor health in the first two matches, dropped the Red Bank match to David Mabe but gained a tie with Richard Zerwer in the Hixson duel. Both matches were held at the Brainerd course.

Track Squad Finally Captures Victory

By Jake Arbes

Grab your paper hats and your New Years Eve horns. It's party time at Central High. The track team finally won a meet.

Yes, after one whole year without a victory the trackmen beat somebody — Notre Dame. Not only

did the Pounders defeat the Irish, but they held them scoreless.

Central won every one of the track and field events. Notre Dame might just as well have not shown up at the track. And that's exactly what happened.

Notre Dame was on spring vacation on the night of the meet. However, the Irish coach failed to call Coach Gordon Smith to cancel the meet.

When the Central team arrived at the track, all they had to do to

win was enter one man in each meet. Don't laugh. It's still a victory in the books, forfeit or not.

The Pounder trackmeets were not so fortunate against Soddy-Daisy; the Trojans came to the meet and downed Central 79-46.

Central notched victories in the discus, high jump, broad jump, 440-yard, 100-yard dash, 440-yard dash, 220-yard dash, and low hurdles.

The Pounders completed in the County Track Meet April 26.

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Juniors Complete Plans For Annual Formal Prom At County Park Pavilion

By Terry Woods

Over the Rainbow" will be the theme of Friday night's junior-prom at the Hamilton County Park Pavilion.

Bobby Downs, junior class president, said, "The reception line will be formed at 8 o'clock, and dancing will begin at 8:30. Mr. Morris Bales and his professional band, the Jerry Men, will play."

The lead out numbers will be "Over the Rainbow," and the no-walks are "Tara's Theme," "More, Cherish," "When the Snow is on the Roses," "If Ever I Would Leave You," and "Sonny."

Decorations

"A rainbow will highlight the theme of the dance," said Debbie Brown, decorations chairman. "It was constructed by Bobby Downs, Danny Goins, and Bart Slattoh, who were assisted by Mr. Cole."

A simulated fountain will be erected in the middle of the floor, and individual rainbows will be on every table.

Chaperones are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cawyer, Mr. Stanley Farmer, Dr. Edward A. Owens, Mr. Ron Cole, Miss Ann Lovell, Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, Miss Mildred Major, and Miss English teacher Miss Mar-

gorie Ogle, Mrs. Jack McEwen, and Mrs. Dorothy Stone.

Pictures

Beginning at 7:45, school photographer Barry Cole will take pictures of couples. Two 5x7 and four wallet size color photographs will be taken for a cost of \$3.

Fourteen juniors served on committees in preparation for the event: decorations—chairman, Debbie Brown, Patti Dukes, Jayne Arnold, Dale Wyatt, Susan Spears, and Steve Meyer; publicity—Debbie Price, Gayle Young, and Linda Westbrook; tickets—Bobby Downs; no breaks—Ann Smith and Debbie Price; and date list—Julie Massey and Tricia Pyle.

Refreshments

Girls to serve refreshments during intermission are Jayne Arnold, Debbie Price, Linda Westbrook, Debbie Brown, Ann Smith, Susan Spears, Vicki Harris, Patti Dukes, Gayle Young, Julie Massey, and Tricia Pyle.

The Hamilton County Park Pavilion has been the site of the prom since 1967. The event was renewed in 1966 after a lapse of several years. The 1966 prom was held at the Chattanooga Golf and Country Club.

School Presents Portrait to Principal At Special Assembly Program Today

By Patricia Sheetz

Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps will be honored in this afternoon's special events assembly program with the presentation of his portrait to the school, announces Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, general chairman for the program.

Principal of Central High School since 1956, Mr. Millsaps is the fourth and last administrator of the school at its present site.

Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department, will present the portrait which will be accepted by Assistant Principal W. Everett O'Neal.

Dr. Sam P. McConnell, superintendent of Hamilton County Schools, will be guest speaker for the occasion, and E. B. Etter will be master of ceremonies.

Special music will be given by Mrs. William G. Hensley, niece of Mr. Millsaps and presently a practice teacher at Central. The Varsity Glee Club will lead the audience in singing the Alma Mater at the close of the program.

The Reverend Edward Briggs, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Daisy, Tennessee, and Mr. Mill-

saps' pastor, will give the devotions and the benediction.

Students, who will attend a reception with the honored guests and faculty, are sophomore class officers: Paul Luttrell, president; Gene Lawson, vice-president; Mary Alice Barnett, secretary; and Ray Henry, treasurer.

Junior class officers: Bobby Downs, president; Bob Few, vice-president; Debbie Brown, treasurer;

Senior class officers: Larry McGill, president; Jimmy Indermill, vice-president; Ginger Nye, secretary; and Ronnie Holder, treasurer; and the executive officers of the Student Council.

Honored guests include Mrs. W. Hobart Millsaps, Miss Martha Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Fox, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Burgess, the Reverend Jack McEwen, Mr. Edwin M. Kayler, Mrs. Frances Holder.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Hensley, Mr. Ernest Eldridge, Mr. W. Bernard Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Millsaps, Jr. and children, Mr. Bryant Millsaps, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Hensley, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Millsaps, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jones, Miss Eleanor Jones.

Members of the Hamilton County Board of Education, executive officers of the Central Alumni Association and the PTA, area high school principals, and retired teachers of Central High School.



Mr. Millsaps

Convention Elects School As State Vice-President

Mike Haddock, newly-elected president of the Student Council, successfully nominated Central vice-president for the 1970 convention of the Tennessee Association of Student Councils.

Council officers who will be aiding Mike in numerous organizational duties for the conference are Tommy Gulus, vice-president; Debbie Brown, recording secretary; Patti Dukes, corresponding secretary; Jayne Arnold, treasurer; Nancy Hunt, parliamentary.

Tricia Pyle, sergeant-at-arms; Debbie Price, foreign relations chairman; Dale Wyatt, publicity and program chairman; Ann Smith, social chairman; and Jan Templeton and Mary Snyder, chaplains.

The main duties of these officers will be to plan next year's club activities and to establish a strong Student Council at the new Central, Mike stated.

Mike, Tommy, and Debbie Brown were the council's delegates to the convention held April 17-19 at Clanton High School located outside Knoxville.

Concerning next year's club, Mike remarked, "I hope that the council can be as active as it was this year and that all of the officers will work together to make the year of 1970 the best yet."

Mike said, "The Student Council is the biggest and one of the most important clubs at Central and plays a prominent part in school spirit."

"One of our main projects for next year will be a campaign to boost school spirit," he added. "With all of the seniors co-operating, I am sure that we can set good examples for the upcoming juniors and sophomores."

"Since the new building is progressing almost on schedule, we should be able to move into it by the first of July," said Principal W. Hobart Millsaps.

"All the roof is complete, the walls are up, the inside plastering is complete, the concrete base on the gym floor is finished, and 75 per cent of the terrazzo flooring is down," he added.

Teachers have been instructed to

prepare for the move by discarding equipment and materials that are of no particular value. They are to pack all necessities in large labeled boxes for easy dispatch.

"We don't want to take a lot of old things," said Mr. Millsaps. "Some of the text books and file cabinets will be new, plus all new desks, library tables, and other general furnishings."

Because of the complications of the move, the library will close on Monday, May 12. The print shop will also finish work early this year.

Other departments which will have heavy equipment to move are

the business, home economics, and industrial arts departments.

In addition to moving difficulties, there will be some improvising at the new school for the first year. Wooden bleachers may be available. If so, some of next season's football games may be played on the field; however, the permanent stands will not be ready until plans for finance and construction are complete.

Additional finances will be needed to furnish some facilities of the school. The type and number of fund-raising activities will be determined by faculty, student, and community response.

Central Digest Receives Awards in Two Contests

The Central Digest recently received a first place award in national competition and a rating of excellent in state competition.

Scoring 936 out of 1,000 points from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, the Digest received a first place certificate. The entries submitted included issues from this year and last.

At the Tennessee High School Press Association's annual convention, April 18-19 in Memphis, the paper won an excellent rating. Three consecutive issues were judged in the printed newspaper division.

At the Tennessee conference, staff members Jake Arbes, Terry

Woods, Gayle Young, Barbara Button, and Marianne Tinker presented a panel discussion on interviewing for news.

Other delegates were Beth Jeffers, Mary Snyder, Layton Jackson, Russell Cobb, and Jan Templeton. All attended sessions conducted by journalists.

In all areas of competition, the Digest was evaluated on general layout, photography, content, coverage of school events, and quality of writing and editing.

Other area school papers and their ratings are McCallie Tornado, superior; Baylor Notes, excellent; City Maroon and White, excellent; and Ooltawah Owlette, superior in the mimeograph division.



—Photo by Jimmy Barber.

BEGINNING WORK—Discussing plans for next year's Student Council state convention are new officers. From left, Mike Haddock, president; Jayne Arnold, treasurer; Debbie Brown, recording secretary; Patti Dukes, corresponding secretary; and Tommy Gulus, vice-president. Chattanooga Central High School.

Looking Ahead

Juniors who will be inducted into the Annie Mae Shelton Chapter of the National Honor Society tomorrow will be one of the most distinguished groups at the new school.

But how much service can a club like this provide—one which contains people with so many different interests? PLENTY!

This year's Honor Society, for example, took a partially dormant organization—one whose main business throughout the year was to initiate new members—and transformed it into a useful part of Central's extracurricular activities.

The formula for reviving this club included one Central handbook which needed updating, an optimistic president who knew the project would be good for the club, and several enthusiastic members who promised to contribute their share of time and effort.

—B. B.

The Real Danger

So w a thought, reap an act.
So w an act, reap a habit.
So w a habit, reap a character.

Sometimes it is difficult to realize the far-reaching effect of one little thought. Take cheating, for instance. It starts with a simple thought in the mind of an unprepared student who wants to avoid the embarrassing situation of receiving a low grade. The student doesn't really want to disturb his conscience—but neither does he want to mar the record in the teacher's roll book.

So an act replaces the thought. The amateur cheater, who looks on his neighbor's paper for the first time, little realizes that it will become easier and easier for him to come to class unprepared and, consequently, to cheat.

When the conscience is no longer bothered and the cheating act becomes habitual, the offense that was once considered a minor one becomes major in every respect.

—P. S.

Heart Transplant

Central has undergone surgery . . . Two people were lying in the operating room. One body, badly mangled, had no chance of survival. The other could live—but only if it received the other's heart.

Surgeons were huddled in a corner, discussing the problem. An odor of anesthesia contributed to the air of expectancy and dread. The men reached a decision:

"We will transplant the heart if there are no objections from either family."
No one objected, and the operation began. Skillfully, the doctors removed the heart of the recipient and attached an artificial heart to the body. They delicately took the heart from the donor and placed it in the body of the recipient. Carefully, they completed the tedious operation.

The old body was dead, but the heart lived on within its new owner . . .

The heart of Central High School—its traditions and spirit—will be transplanted to its new body on Highway 58. The success of the operation depends on the doctors—the incoming seniors and juniors.

—B. J.

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Spotlight on Seniors

Michele Tinker, Ricky Holder Discuss College Demonstrations, New Central

By Beth Jeffers

Michele Tinker and Ricky Holder have different opinions about student demonstrations on college campuses.

Ricky said, "I don't go along with 'em. When students try to take over, the police ought to go in and take control. If a student

doesn't like the way the college is run, he should get out.

"Rioting isn't the way to get things done," he said. "I wouldn't join in a demonstration, but I might support the cause with words."

"Most demonstrations are senseless," Michele said. "I wouldn't join

one unless it was about an issue I really believed in.

"Peaceful demonstrations can call attention to problems," she said, "but violence simply causes resentment."

Since graduation is near, both seniors are thinking about the responsibilities of life after high school.

"When you're in high school, you have a set pattern to follow," Michele said. "If you go by it you come out on top."

"In college, you have to set your own goals—and reach them. You have to concentrate and take more time to make decisions."

Ricky disagreed. "I think our responsibilities will be about the same after we get out of high school. The pressure on us will be greater, though."

They also discussed the new school.

"For sentimental reasons, I'd rather graduate from the old school," said Michele, "but I'd like to attend the new school. It would be a real challenge to help take our traditions up there."

"Yeah, but the last class here will have more recognition" Ricky said. "I would miss the old building and the rotunda too much to change. To me, Central is here, not up on the highway."



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

BLOSSOMS GALORE—Michele Tinker and Ricky Holder enjoy early moments of spring as they chat beneath a dogwood tree on campus.

INSIDE OUTLOOK

Even the Sad Times Are Good

By Tommy Mathis

The end is near.

After Centralites walk out of this building the last day of the school year, they will probably never return. And a lot of things that they've grown to know and to cherish will be left behind when Central moves to Harrison.

The first to come to mind is the rotunda—and, of course, the bust of Longfellow which has guarded that central point for so many years.

Then there's the cafeteria — so dear to the hearts (or should I say stomachs?) of the students. Sure, there'll be a place to eat next year—but no kitchen. Food will be carried in from the J. B. Brown kitchen. It won't be the same.

A big problem will be presented by the absence of an auditorium in the new Central.

This could eliminate the traditional Central pep meetings and greatly interfere with assembly programs and plays.

A lot of boys will miss the third floor view into the girls' gym, and the girls will miss their view of the cadets of neighboring McCallie School.

There will be no front lawn for a while — and no big shade tree for quite a few years.

Students will miss the windownore more will they watch the snow fall or check the progress of spring.

Yes, the end of a dear old building is near. It's one of the saddest happy times Centralites have known.

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Class Gives Added Help To Seniors

"Not everyone should take creative writing," stresses Miss Milford Major, senior English teacher.

She pointed out that only students with a good background in grammar and a creative ability are qualified to take the somewhat varied course, which does not include grammar exercises or standardized tests.

"Miss Major really makes the class interesting by bringing in professors and guest speakers," Jimmy Indermill said. "Also we have had opportunities to examine various underground newspapers and magazines."

During the first quarter over 20 essays from 200-500 words had to be written, and in this quarter's work students have been required to read and analyze magazine articles.

Jolie Painter stated, "We have decided to compile our best work into a booklet and have it published." Miss Major expressed hope that it would be available to students before the conclusion of this school year.

"I feel this is one of my most rewarding classes at Central because it has developed my thinking ability and given me a deeper insight into the world around me," stated Jake Arbes.

Creative writing students are required to write numerous poems of which the following, "To the Sea," by David Ashley, is an example.

Rush on flagrant seas. Tempt the bonds which hold you prisoner. Dash the air with your warm salt spray. Entice the pallid heavens with your fragrance.

Change to a thing of beauty. Span the globe with matchless



—Photo by Jimmy Barger.

TABULATING RESULTS—Examining the amount collected during the Bible Love Offering drive sponsored by the Tri-Hi-Y are, from left, Mrs. Dorothy Stone, club sponsor, Jayne Arnold, and Dale Wyatt. Contribution totaled \$622.18.

serenity. Savor the aura of a warm, pink-streaked strata, slowly sinking into your being. Be a home for solitude.

Central's Golden Years Unique Traditions Evoke Thoughts of Old Central

By Wayne McCoy

According to Mr. Webster, Tradition is the handing down orally of customs and beliefs from generation to generation."

Not to be confused with traditions are fads which may include anything from putting chewing gum over water fountain nozzles to pitching pennies off the rotunda.

While these acts may evoke laughter, it seems unlikely that anyone would want to claim them as his contribution as a tradition to be passed on to future generations.

Central's heritage combines 62 years of tradition handed down to each year's member of the Pounder family.

Fraternizing at the rotunda or on the lawn, looking for chairs in

Digest Survey Discloses Intellectual Larceny Rate

By Terry Woods

"Cheating is a cheap way of getting a good grade," writes a junior boy in answer to the recent Digest survey on cheating.

Although virtually all of the 694 students responding to the questionnaire condemned cheating, 90 per cent admitted that they have cheated, but only 77 students revealed that they do so frequently.

All three classes rated closely on the number who have cheated. The highest percentage is 92 in the sophomore class. The juniors follow with a close 91 per cent, and the seniors had 88 per cent.

Cheating methods are varied but evidently one of the most common is that of accepting answers to a test from a student who has taken the test at an earlier period. Sixty-one per cent of the student body has received answers in this manner.

If the sale of answers is a business on campus, it is not very successful: only 41 students have ever bought the answers to a test, even though 54 per cent of the student body has knowledge of the selling of answers.

Most students agreed that cheating cannot be eliminated. "You can't stop it," said one, "because it is something that a student can easily manage to get around."

If it cannot be eliminated, however, most conclude definite punishment is necessary. Many suggested an automatic "F" on any test paper from a student caught cheating. Others requested suspension or letting the student's conscience act as punishment.

Although 56 per cent of the students consider that cheating is a basic form of stealing, this survey reveals that they will cheat on a test anyway.

One reason, according to the survey, for high cheating rate is the teachers who are considered "easy marks" for cheaters and who, at times, encourage cheating by their laxity. This is suggested by the fact that 44 per cent of the student body have classes in which they consider it easy to cheat.

Many suggestions have been offered as to the best way to curb the problem. One of the most popular is the Honor Code; however, over 50 per cent of the student body admitted that they could not support such a system.

One girl summed up the problem neatly with "It's just a rotten way to get through high school."

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Mrs. Hughes To Serve As NEA Representative

By Sandy Hickman

Mrs. Clarone Hughes, general business teacher, will represent Hamilton County high schools at the National Education Association convention June 30—July 5 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Chosen by members of the Hamilton County Education Association, Mrs. Hughes will attend the convention with the two other Hamilton County delegates from the junior high and elementary divisions.

The purpose of the convention is to discuss problems of school systems in the United States. Past topics discussed include federal aid, education, civil rights, and teachers in politics.

"I feel it is a privilege to attend the convention as a Hamilton

County representative," commented Mrs. Hughes, who has taught in the system for eight years.

Mrs. Hughes, who received her Masters of Education from the University of Chattanooga, holds a life membership in the NEA. She is an education committee member of the Chattanooga Administrative Management Society and of the Tennessee Education Association and the East Tennessee Association.

Last year, Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department, attended the convention as a Hamilton County representative. Mr. Dyer stated, "These conventions involve a lot of hard work and no play."

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LAST LOOK—Principal W. Hobart Millsaps, carrying the floor plans of the new Central, descends the steps of the old Central—soon to be a memory.

Commencement To Mark Close of Era for Central As 1969 Class Graduates

By Marianne Tinker and Terry Woods

Part of an era will end and another will begin on the evening of June 3 as seniors participate in the final Commencement exercises of this tradition-filled 62-year-old institution.

The ceremony, entitled "Changing Times and New Directions," will begin at 8 o'clock at Memorial Auditorium.

Student speakers who will incorporate the symbols and colors of Central into their speeches, are salutatorian David Ashley, "Purple Haze of the Past"; class representative Cheri Moss, "The Arm of Love"; faculty representative Jake Arbes, "The Anvil of Strength"; and valedictorian Barbara Button, "Golden Promise of the Future."

Principal W. Hobart Millsaps will present the 1969 class for graduation. Accepting the graduates will be Dr. Sam P. McConnell, superintendent of Hamilton County Schools, Mr. Wylie Gross and Mrs. Helen Perry, members of the Hamilton County Board of Education, will award the diplomas.

Honor students, selected by each department, will be recognized at the Commencement exercises.

Seniors and the departments they represent are Cheri Moss, art; Reu-

ben Justice, athletics; David Ashley and Patricia Sheetz, English; Linda Franklin, business education.

Patricia Sheetz, classical foreign language; Amy Haskney, modern foreign language; Gail Coley, home economics; Earl Newport, architectural drafting.

Eddie Guinn, auto mechanics; Jack Smith, blue print reading; Lester Naftzger, cabinet making; Jerry Fortner, mechanical drafting; Steve Allen, printing.

David Ashley and Barbara Button, mathematics; Rodena Cook, vocal music; Mike Lees, instrumental music; Susan Hayes and Jackie Loving, hand music; Gloria Tolmie, hand service.

Danny Adams, boys physical education; Barbara Button, girls physical education; Tommy Mathis, ROTC; David Ashley, science; and David Ashley and Susan Davenport, social science.

The Varsity Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. K. W. John, and the band, directed by Mr. Morris Bales, will present the music.

The invocation will be given by Mr. J. Pope Dyer, head of the social science department. Giving the benediction will be Mr. Hillman Mayfield, Jr., English teacher.

Graduating Class To Receive Awards During Annual Honors Day Ceremony

Honors Day, the first of four annual graduating ceremonies, will be next Monday at 2:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

The awards and the persons presenting them are Annie Mae Shelton English Award—Miss Minnie Lee Morgan; Bausch-Lomb Science Award—Dr. E. A. Owens; Business Education Award—Mrs. Virginia Summerour.

Grandall Art Club Award—Mr. Tom Cole; Home Economics Award—Mrs. Patricia Williamson; Literary Award—Miss Ellen Munster; Perfect Attendance Certificate—Mr. Everett O'Neal.

Publications Awards: Digest—Miss Marjorie Ogile; Champion—Mrs. Morris Williams; Balfour Award—Miss Bobbie Ruth Bridges; Citizenship Awards: Chick-

amauga Chapter DAR—Mrs. Stanley Lane; John Sevier Chapter SAR—Earnest Clevenger.

Danforth Awards—Mr. J. Pope Dyer; FBIA Scholarship—Mrs. Clarone Hughes; Hazel Barton Award—Mr. Terrell Fugate; National Merit Scholarship Awards and Outstanding Scholarships—Mr. W. Hobart Millsaps.

Parent-Teachers Award—Mrs. C. W. Sedman; Read Magazine Award and Readers Digest Award

—Mrs. J. C. Robbins; University of Chattanooga SNEA Award—Mrs. Patricia Owens.

Previously announced winners are Patricia Sheetz, DAR Award, and Jimmy Indermill, SAR Award.

Senior Cheri Moss will sing "Turn Around," and Mike Lees will play the organ.

Mary Snyder, incoming Tri-Hi-Y president, and Mike Baskette, next year's Hi-Y president, will give the devotions.

'Promises To Keep' Topic For Class Day Speeches

"Promises to Keep" will be the theme for the Class Day program to be held June 2 in the school auditorium at 2 o'clock.

Speakers for the event include Patricia Sheetz, historian; Becky Rievely, poet; Jimmy Indermill, reader of the will; and Courtney McInturff, prophet.

Larry McGill, president of the senior class, will present a gift to the school from the class.

Principal To Accept Gift

Accepting the gift will be Principal W. Hobart Millsaps. Following the acceptance, Mr. Millsaps will deliver his parting words to the Class of 1969.

Linda Griffin will sing an original song to the tune of "Tara's Theme" from "Gone With the Wind." Words to the song were composed by Linda and Miss Minnie Lee Morgan, senior class sponsor.

Senior Mike Lees, school organizer, will play for the processional and the recessional.

Students To Give Devotions

Juniors Dale Wyatt and Mike Baskette, incoming Tri-Hi-Y vice-president and Hi-Y president, will give the devotions for the program.

Class Day is an annual program to honor the graduating class. It originally involved the presentation of numerous awards and the recognition of senior achievements, which are now awarded on Honors Day.

Baccalaureate

The baccalaureate service for the senior class will be held Sunday, June 1, in the school auditorium.

Dr. William West, pastor of the First Christian Church, will be the speaker for the occasion. Music will be presented by the Varsity Glee Club, directed by Mr. W. John.



MY TURN—While Jake Arbes records his speech, other Commencement speakers patiently await their turn. From left are Cheri Moss, David Ashley, and Barbara Button.



SPEECH SESSION—Finishing details for Class Day are speakers, from left, Courtney McInturff, Patricia Sheetz, Jimmy Indermill, and Becky Rievely.

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The End

In 20 days there will be a mass exodus from Central — similar to the ones seen every year as students depart for summer vacations.

But this year's exodus will be different. When the hundreds of students leave the old Central building on June 5, 1969, it will be forever.

In past years, only the seniors gave a final salute to this monumental institution as the last quarter ended. This time, however, everyone will experience a last look at Central and remember things that happened somewhere in the building — things that can never happen again.

For instance, they will remember thrilling to a pep meeting in that huge auditorium . . . meeting with friends at the rotunda between classes . . . crowding six people around a small table in that old cafeteria.

Yes, the seniors, juniors, and sophomores will share an experience in 1969 unparalleled in Central's sixty-two-year history — the experience of saying good-bye to a school that won't be there when they come back to visit teachers or to attend class reunions; because Central on Dodds Avenue will be gone forever.

— B. B.

Demonstration . . .

American Style

"God bless America, land of the free . . ."

Today is Armed Forces Day, a day of tribute to American servicemen who fight to keep this country a "land of the free."

This afternoon the streets of cities all over America will be crowded with eager men, women, and children — spectators anticipating the start of a mass demonstration, the kind of rally that America truly needs.

The demonstrators will be waving flags — not burning them. They will salute Old Glory — not spit upon her. Their purpose for demonstrating today is to say thank you to the thousands of soldiers who fight to preserve the American way of life — not to demoralize, as so many militants do.

Bands will play, crowds will cheer, and airplanes will soar above the cities as the leaders give the signal, and thousands will begin the Rich People's March, a parade of Americans who are truly rich — rich in freedom, in leadership, and in patriotism.

Indeed, God already has bountifully blessed America.

—T. M.

Credit Where Due

As Central's last year in this building is ending, there is little left to say that has not already been said about the change.

But we have not yet sufficiently commended those who have made the new school possible:

—The PTA and the Alumni Association, which have supported Central so long and so well . . .

—The administration, the school board, and the principals who tried so many years to get a new school building and, fortunately, never gave up . . .

—The voters who passed the one-cent sales tax a few years ago to help Central . . .

—Members of the faculty who have dedicated long hours to planning the new school and will sacrifice vacation time to help move equipment to Highway 58 this summer . . .

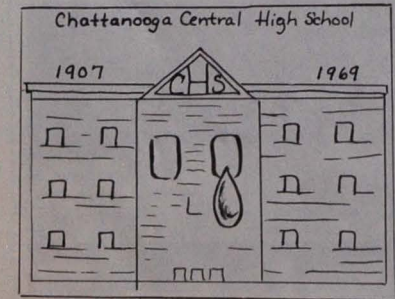
—Professor W. Hobart Millsaps, Central's dedicated and enthusiastic principal . . .

—The sophomores and juniors who will be taking Central's tradition to the new school.

—The graduating seniors who have preserved the heritage of the old Central.

We commend you for your efforts and hope that you will always share the honors that Centralites achieve for Central.

—B. J.



Spotlight on Seniors

Barbara Button, Jake Arbes Discuss Security of Past Lives, Future Goals

By Beth Jeffers

Centralites for six years, Barbara Button and Jake Arbes hesitate to leave Central because of the security they have found here.

"For six years, most of my time has been spent inside this school," Barbara said. "It has become a part of me. Now I'll have to start all over with a new building and new people."

"Central is a magnet that has attracted all types of personalities," said Jake. "It has given me a sampling of the kinds of people I'll meet as I continue my education."

"I'm glad I'm graduating, but I'm hesitant to leave the security I've gained here to start building new associations elsewhere," he said.

Both seniors are four-year honor students. Barbara is valedictorian with a 4.0 average, and Jake ranks seventh in his class with a 3.94 average.

"I started making A's in second grade," Barbara said. "It got to be a habit, something that I wanted to accomplish because I could."

Jake commented, "When I started high school, I wanted to get a scholarship, so I tried to make good grades. Being a four-year honor student is a by-product of my attempts."

Jake's attempts paid off in a generous scholarship to Harvard.



—Photo by Jimmy Berger.

SENIORS SPOTLIGHT OLD SCHOOL.—After six years of hard work at Central, Barbara Button and Jake Arbes shift their attention from books to a last glance at the old building.

Good-bye Old Central

Students Will Miss Squeaks, Leaks

Hello New Central

By Gayle Young and Marianne Tinker

Creaky floors, squeaky stairs, and leaky ceilings, along with the rotunda, create fond memories of Central which are described in the following survey:

Joyce Smith, junior — "I'll miss meeting my friends at the rotunda."

Lynn Patterson, senior — "I'll miss all the wonderful times and memories I have of the rotunda."

Jack Moore, junior — "Besides the rotunda, I'll miss the leaky water pipes in Coach Smith's classroom."

Miss Hodges — "I'll miss the short drive every day and dread the long one."

Steve Meyer, junior — "I'll miss the big wide halls and the high ceilings."

Debbie Breen, junior — "I'll miss

the way the halls echo with voices and laughter in between classes."

Bobby Downs, junior — "I'll miss talking around the rotunda during lunch."

Mr. O'Neal — "Most of all, I'll miss dodging the falling plaster in this old office."

Jim Barclay, junior — "I'll miss assembling at the rotunda."

Kathy Moss, senior — "I'll miss talking to all my friends and going to our great pep meetings."

Pauline Boyd, senior — "I'll miss my friends, teachers, and all my school activities."

Becky Hicks, sophomore — "I'll miss the big auditorium, the stage, and the assembly programs."

Mr. Millsaps — "The new school was built with the control of heat,

light, and sound. I will miss the noise of students going to class, the laughter of pre-school period, and the sound of creaking floors and squeaking stairs."

Theresa Quarles, sophomore — "I'll miss all my senior friends and the great pep meetings."

Jim Barclay, junior — "Of all its old parts, I'll miss the rotunda the most."

Jane Leonard, junior — "I'd rather they had remodeled the old building. I'd be able to come to Central if it wasn't moving."

Claudia Paris, sophomore — "I'll miss the old building, but we'll still have the same school spirit!"

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As Her Last Days Approach . . .

Her Last Plea

Central's falling; that is clear.

As her last days approach, we shed a tear,

We silently cry but it is in vain;

It's the alumni that bear the unlying pain.

They've lived through Central's growing days

And tried to keep her traditional ways

But must realize that now she's old

And think of memories long untold.

As we walk along her loving halls

We hear her weeping as she calls,

"It won't be the same when my students are gone

And I no longer hear their victorious song.

I'm tired and I've stood here as long as I should

But I'd remain here forever if only I could.

When they take my students away from me

That's when I'll die immediately.

So when you take them, take them fast

As they fade into my past."

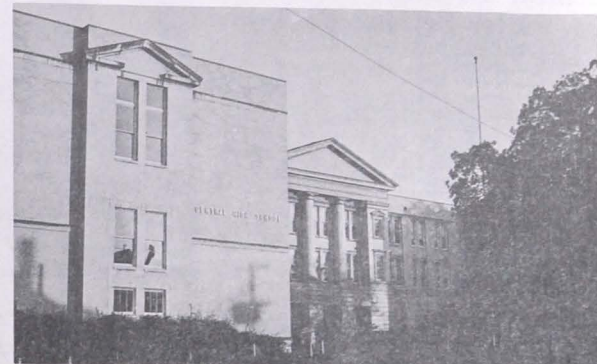
We've done our best to make her proud,

So when we leave, let's shake out loud

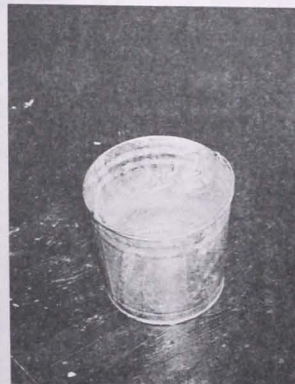
How great a school is Central High!

May her purple and gold forever fly!

... Brenda Ballinger



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What goes up . . .



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Preface to learning . . .

A head above the crowd . . .

Central's Golden Years

Central To Close Doors After Serving 62 Years

By Wayne McCoy
With the conclusion of the present school term, Central High's building will end 62 years of educational service to the Chattanooga area.

Although Central was created by an act of legislature in 1906, it was 1907 before instruction began in a building of the Ridgedale Community. In early 1908 the school was moved to its present location.

Serving as superintendent of schools at that time was Professor J. B. Brown, for whom the new high on Highway 58 is named.

In its first year, Central enrolled 269 students. Since then Central

May Royalty Reigns During Ceremonies



JOYOUS MOMENTS—Harold Downs and Debbie Senterfit enjoy the first minutes of their reign as 1969 May King and Queen.

By Marianne Tinker
Debbie Senterfit and Harold Downs reigned as the last queen and king of the traditional May Day ceremonies of the old Central before a crowd of approximately 500, estimated Mrs. Margaret Hamack, gym instructor.

Miss Royal Jo Smith, last year's May Queen, and Principal W. Hobart Millsaps crowned the royal couple, Susan Spears, junior, served as announcer, and Allen Bradford was court jester.

Surrounding the queen and king were other candidates and members of the court and guard with their escorts.

Debbie Breen, Janice Myhan, the Art Club, and the Gym Staff were responsible for the decorations.

Centralites Win Honors In Contests

By Terry Woods
Five Centralites have gained recognition in local and national writing contests.

Senior David Alonso finished first and senior David Ashley, fourth in the annual Civitan Club Essay Contest. Winners were announced at a luncheon held April 25 at the Hotel Patten.

Juniors Anthony Guterch, Nancy Hunt, and Terry Woods entered poems which were selected for publication by the National High School Poetry Press.

David Alonso was awarded a \$100 savings bond and is now eligible to enter district competition. If he wins this, he can compete in the national contest. David Ashley was awarded a \$25 savings bond.

The assigned topic for the 500-word essay was "Citizenship and the Student's Place in the United States."

Twenty students of Mrs. June McEwen, junior English instructor, submitted poems for the national poetry contest. From these Mr. McEwen selected six to submit for judging.

Other students whose entries were submitted are Jeannie Hammonds, Arthur Finch, and Vicki Alden. Winners will receive certificates of acceptance and a copy of the publication in which their poems were printed, Anthology of High School Poetry.

Seven Clubs Announce New Officers To Direct Organizations Next Year

By Gayle Young
Seven service clubs and organizations recently announced officers for next year.

Presiding over the Y-Teens will be Debbie Breen, president. Other officers are Gayle Young, vice-president; Jayne Arnold, secretary; Debbie Price, treasurer; Claudia Paris, chaplain; Julia Massey, parliamentarian; and Ronnell Owens, program chairman. Miss Lavene Roberts is club sponsor.

The Office Club, sponsored by Mrs. John Alleen, selected Gayla Wheeler as president. Assisting her will be Gayle Young, vice-president; Debbie Bouldin, secretary; and Valerie Queen, treasurer.

Heading the Gym Staff will be Becky Cook, president. Other officers are Becky Burns, vice-president; Tricia Pyle, secretary; Sharon McGill, treasurer; and Martha Snyder, chaplain. Its sponsor are Mrs. Margaret Hamack and Miss Ann Lovi.

The Tri-Hi-Y, sponsored by Mrs. Dorothy Stone, has as its officers Mary Snyder, president; Dale Wyatt, vice-president; Jayne Arnold, secretary; Judy Stroud, treasurer; and Jan Templeton, chaplain.

Math Club officers are Arthur Finch, president; Steve Meyer, vice-president; Judy Stroud, secretary-treasurer; Jimmy Stratigos, chaplain; and Cathy Button, parliamentarian. Coach Gordon Smith is sponsor.

Leading the Bible Club is president Joe Cunningham. Other officers are Ken Johnson, vice-president; Frank Carpenter, secretary-treasurer; and Jimmy Goins, song leader. Miss Margaret Winalett, Bible teacher, is sponsor.

The FHA, sponsored by Mrs. Jeanette Crawley and Mrs. Paty Williamson, selected Jan Templeton as president. Other officers are Martha Snyder, vice-president; Pam Rogers, secretary; Vicki Harris, treasurer; and Ruby Justice, chaplain.

Pam won the second place award for a batch of yellow and orange flowers on a blue background. Batik involves dying cloth on which melted wax has been painted around the design.

Becky was awarded an honorable mention for a polymer painting of a seated figure.

Other Central students who participated in the contest were Brenda White, Gloria Tolmie, Royce Howell, Marcella Black, and Steve Wooten.

The contest was held to give area students a chance to compete for scholarships to Hunter Art Gallery. Three such awards were given in the grammar, junior high, and senior high division.

Earlier this year Pam also won first place in Chattanooga in the Hallmark Art Contest with the same entry that won her second spot in the OLPH competition.

Artists Prepare Show—Recent art winners who helped prepare for the exhibit held at school last Monday and Tuesday are, from left, Janice Myhan, Betty Braddock, and Pam Shipley.

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Mr. Jack Archer Receives Dedication; Digest, Champion Reveal 1970 Editors

By Barbara Button
Mr. Jack Archer, biology teacher and coach, received the 1969 Digest dedication last night at the annual Publications Banquet.

Featuring the theme, "Early Evening Blues and Greens," the banquet was held at Quality Courts—South. The Champion Staff hosted the dinner.

Entertaining the staffs and their guests were David Alonso with a reading, Susan Spears with a song, and Debbie Senterfit with a monologue.

A graduate of Fairmont High School in Ohio, Coach Archer attended Ohio State University and played in the 1955 Rose Bowl. After completing his education at the University of Chattanooga, he joined the Central faculty in 1960.

Associate editor for the 1970 Champion will be Amanda Rhodes. Members of the yearbook staff who were presented with merit awards are Roy Willhoit, Cub Honor Award; Susan Spears, Craftsman Award; Brenda Cook, Star Honor Award; and Harold Tyber, Creative Writing Award.

Five members of the Digest Staff were also recognized for writing the best stories in five areas. The teachers who judged these stories were Mr. Steve Wall, news; Mrs. June McEwen, editorial; Miss Mildred Major, feature; Mrs. Dorothy Stone, news feature; and SGM Robert Hall, sports.

Another special guest at the occasion was Mrs. Flora B. Ware, who received the Champion dedication.



Mr. Archer



Marianne Tinker Susan Spears

Jim Barclay, Don Howard To Command Military Cadet Corps at New Central

By Tommy Mathis
Lt. Col. Ben Thompson, Senior Army Instructor, announced yesterday that junior Jim Barclay will serve as cadet colonel for next year's ROTC unit.

Cadet SFC Don Howard will serve as executive officer and will hold the rank of lieutenant colonel. These promotions were announced during the military awards ceremonies at which seniors and underclassmen received service and achievement awards.

Cadet Howard received the American Revolution cited Cadet Lt. Col. Wes Gilliland for his military and scholastic achievement during participation in ROTC. Cadet Maj. Reuben Justice received the Senior Army Instructor Award for his appearance, conduct, dependability, enthusiasm, judgment, and tact.

Other promotions and presentations were made, but names of recipients were not available in time for publication.

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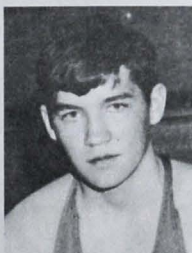
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Ronnie Holder



Glenn Rievley



Anthony Crutcher



Wes Gilliland



Charlotte Forester

By Jake Arbes

Seven Central sports stand outs have been named by their coaches to the ninth annual Digest All-Star team.

They are Reuben Justice, football; Larry McGill, co-baseball and basketball; Ronnie Holder, co-baseball; Glenn Rievley, wrestling; Wes Gilliland, golf; Anthony Crutcher, track; and Charlotte Forester, volleyball.

Speed, strength, skill, leadership, and desire are only a few attributes held by this year's team.

For the second time in nine years, there was a tie for top honors in baseball. Coach Jack Archer said

that both Holder's and McGill's leadership characteristics were such that it would have been difficult to pick one over the other. Also for the second time, a volleyball star has been named to the squad.

Four of this year's seven honorees are repeaters. They are Rievley, McGill (basketball), Gilliland, and Crutcher. Gilliland has won a spot on the team for three straight years.

All judges expressed difficulty in making this year's All-Star decisions. They said that selections were based on consistent excellent

play and leadership ability throughout the entire season.

All-Star selections were made by the head coach of each sport. They are Coaches E. B. Etter, football; Gordon Smith, basketball and track; Jack Archer, baseball, wrestling, and golf; and Margaret Hammack, volleyball.

In 1961 and 1962 the Digest featured only four All-Stars—football, basketball, baseball, and track. The following year wrestling and golf were added. Last year, honors also went to a volleyball team member.

Starting Four Unknown For Region Golf Tourney

By Charles Collins

Larry McGill could turn out to be the key to success for the Pounder golfers as they prepare for the Region Golf Tournament, May 19.

"If McGill is able to play, he will take over the third spot and improve our over-all play," stated Jack Archer, golf team coach.

"Willie Foster, a recent addition to the team, hits the ball real well and could take over the vacant spot in the lineup should Larry be unavailable," said Coach Archer.

Wes Gilliland, Joe Hollerbach, Eddie Nethery, and either Charles Collins, McGill, or Foster will round out the region foursome.

In previous action the linksmen, led by Gilliland with a three-under-par 33, handed City its second loss in three years to the team of

4 1/2-1 1/2. Hollerbach also won his individual match, but McGill was tied. However, both Pounder squads won in the team play.

Diamondmen Post Three Wins in Row

"Strong hitting, good over-all defensive play, and some surprisingly good pitching have accounted for our good start this season," said Coach Jack Archer after his Pounders won their fourth straight baseball game.

Third-baseman Bobby Downs said that the unblemished record was due to balanced hitting. "All of the starting nine are capable of hitting home runs," he explained.

The Pounders asserted themselves as serious threats for the HIL AA baseball crown by hitting a total of seven home runs in gaining victories over East Ridge 17-1, Howard 7-4, and Soddy-Daisy 12-2.

Downs led the batting attack against East Ridge by slugging two hits, one of which was a homer. Tim Thornhill and Ronnie Holder also tagged homers, accounting for two of the Pounders' 17 hits.

Winning hurler Stan Cox smashed two hits and teamed with Doug McDonough to limit the Pioneers to only three hits. East Ridge com-

mitted nine errors to aid the Pounders.

Although held to only five hits, the Central diamondmen capitalized on four Howard errors to lower the Hustlin' Tigers.

Downs again was the batting ace, rapping out two hits. Central came

through with four runs in the second inning for the come-from-behind victory.

Senior Larry McGill, the Pounder captain, smashed four hits as he, Ricky and Ronnie Holder, and Steve Wehmeyer each hit home runs in the victory over Soddy-Daisy.

Purple Cindermen Finish Season with 1-5 Record

Central's three-year-old track team ended its season April 24 with a 1-5 record, losing their last two meets to Kirkman and Ooltewah, 70-56 and 111-16, respectively.

The Pounders took nine of the 17 events in the Kirkman meet but could only come up with 3 second and 3 third place finishers, not enough for a victory.

Anthony Crutcher paced the Pounder trackmen by winning the 220-yard and 440-yard dashes. Larry Ramsey picked up eight additional points by winning the 100-

yard dash and coming in behind Crutcher in the 220-yard dash. Jim Hunt won the 180-yard low hurdles.

The team of Crutcher, Ramsey, Hunt, and Buddy Mullican captured the 440-yard relay. Mullican, Hunt, Ray Henry, and Richard McCoy snagged the 880-yard relay. McCoy, Billy Kimbro, and Ronald Moser were on the victorious two-mile relay team.

In other running events in the meet, Steve Cantrell placed second in the 880-yard run; Charles Holland, third in the mile run; and Moser, second in the 120-yard high hurdles.

Central took two of the six field events from the Hawks with Jack Moore winning the discus with a heave of 40-9 1/4. Kimbro won the high jump with a 5-2 leap and placed third in the long jump. Mike Combs came in third in the shot put competition.

Crutcher led the way against Ooltewah by taking the 220-yard dash, finishing just ahead of teammate Cantrell. Ramsey was runner-up in the 100-yard dash and third in the 880-yard run.

Rifle Team Ends Season

By Russell Cobb

Central's Rifle Team ended one of its best seasons with an 8-1 record, losing only to McCallie in the Third Army Postal Match.

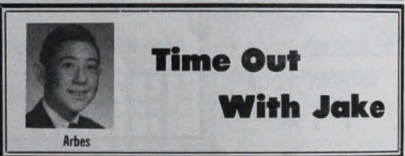
The Tornados defeated by the Pounders earlier this season 959-926, got their revenge in a most unusual manner.

SFC Warren Luttrell, Central coach, and MSG Robert Martin, McCallie coach, scored the match at 1006 points for each team. But, when the score sheets were sent to Third Army Headquarters at

Fort Benning, Georgia, the official scorer found them to be erroneous; and the Tornado rifles were awarded a 1012-1008 victory.

When all scores were tabulated in the Army match, McCallie came home with fourth and Central fifth out of the 84 teams competing in the event.

Craig Brothers was high man for Central with a 262. David Howell was second with 261; Howard Thomas, third with 250; and Lynn Patterson, fourth with 235.



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Time Out With Jake

Ten Who Dared

If there were ten more people on Central's track team, the squad could be on top of the HIL standings.

It takes at least 20 athletes to form a winning track team. Central has only ten, making it mathematically impossible to win a track meet.

Look at the statistics of the Kirkman meet. Central won nine of sixteen events but lost the match because it didn't have enough men entered to snag but 3 second and 3 third places.

Next year, conditions for track may be more favorable at the new Central. The cindermen will have their own track and maybe even uniforms.

Also, next year the track team will be able to recruit track stars from J. B. Brown. In the past these boys have gone to Tyner, which might be one reason the Rams are HIL A Division champs.

Dreams to Remember

But, the track team can only dream about the future. This year, boys like Anthony Crutcher, Steve Cantrell, and Larry Ramsey have to walk over a mile just to get to the training field. Then they have to practice for about two hours in tee shirts and shorts for a meet no one will come to see.

It might have been better for me to have written my last column extolling and lauding all the Purple Pounders for their various sports successes. However, I don't want anyone to rest on his laurels.

Next year is a new year in a new school at a new site.