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FRIDAY,  
NOVEMBER 3rd,  
1961

Davenport  
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## Last Year

# GREYHOUNDS NIP KNIGHTS, 20-19

Burlington, Iowa — Assumption High School scored 13 points in the final period Friday night, but fell to Burlington 20-19 in the season's finale for the Knights.

The Knights took the opening kickoff 75 yards in 12 plays for the first score. Bob Solis and Clarence Mason did the big work for the Knights in the drive with Solis banging in from the nine yard line. The extra point try was no good.

Things started to collapse for the Assumption gridders at the end of the quarter as Burlington received the kick and moved 77 yards to score.

Halfback Dale Brown did most of the work for the Greyhounds and he collected the score from two yards out with 10:57 remaining in the frame. The PAT was no good.

Assumption couldn't move the ball after the kickoff and John Fennelly was forced to punt. Burlington took over on the 47 and marched to paydirt in seven plays. Brown got his second TD on a seven yard sprint. He also added the extra point on a run.

A fumble by Clarence Mason on the Assumption 26 set up the final Burlington score. With 48 seconds remaining in the

half, Paul Wagler barged off tackle for the tally. Larry Mills passed to Gene Kerr for the point after.

After the halftime intermission, quarterback Fennelly opened up a big aerial barrage and Assumption took the ball on the Burlington 47 yard line.

Three straight passes by Fennelly and a 13 yard run by Mason moved the ball to the three. Fennelly pitched a pass to Karl Noonan for the score.

The final score came after a 91 yard drive by the Knights, sparked by the running of Solis and the passing of Fennelly. Solis collected the touchdown on a seven yard run and Bob Hammill took a pass from Fennelly for the extra point.

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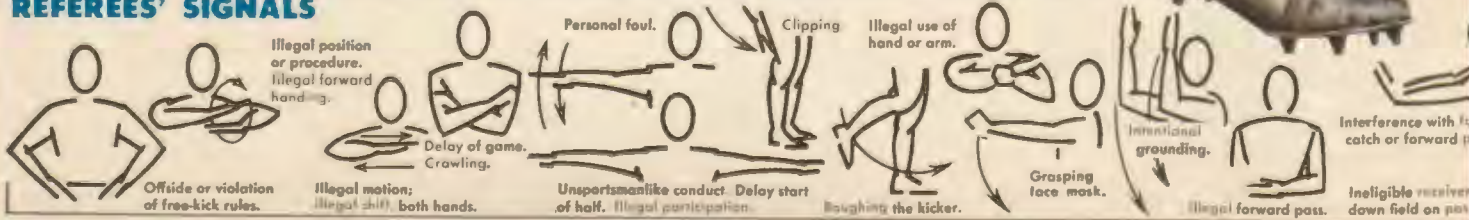




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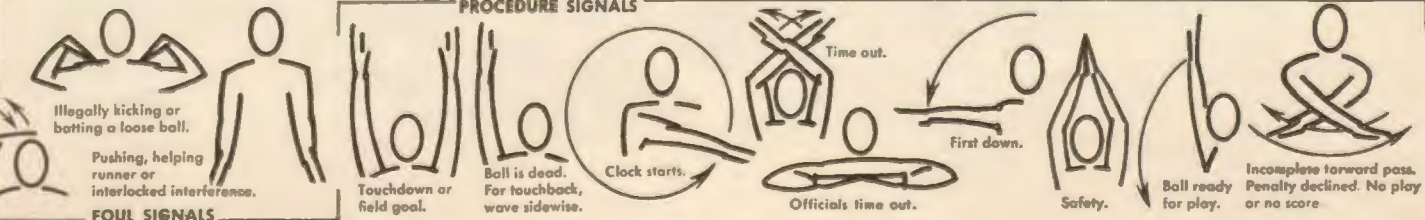
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5	Valeu—150	39	Fischer—200
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8	Switzer—184	45	Kelly—150
9	Berkshire—148	46	Danielson—215
10	Rambo—185	48	Kerr—180
11	Chase—220	50	Hamman—164
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15	Riley—150	74	Tackleson—120
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19	Lee—160	80	Charbonneaux — 155
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3	Nelson, David	B	145
4	Waugh, John	G	150
5	Valeu, Gary	B	150
6	Simonson, Terry	B	150
7	Wittkamp, Joel	E	150
8	Switzer, Dennis	T	184
9	Berkshire, Steve	C	148
10	*Rambo, Richard	T	185
11	*Chase, Irvin	T	220
12	Foster, Bob	G	150
13	**Mills, Larry	B	156
14	Manning, Richard	B	145
15	Riley, Don	B	150
16	Kerry, James	B	153
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19	Lee, Michael	G	160
20	*King, John	G	161
21	Graham, Gary	G	170
22	Rheinschmidt, James B.	B	158
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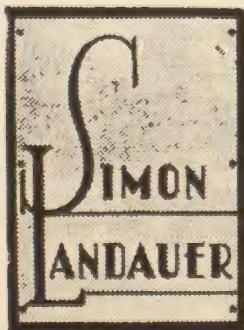
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# BULLDOGS BITE KNIGHTS, 32-14

By JOHN O'DONNELL  
Sports Editor

Coach Merrit Parson's alert Bettendorf Bulldogs continued merrily on their way to another undefeated season Friday night before a record crowd of 5,002 at their field when they defeated Assumption High, 32-14.

It was the 23rd victory for the hard-playing Bulldogs without a defeat.

The Knights threw a scare into the Bulldogs at the outset of the game, taking the ball on a sustained drive and never relinquishing it. Bob Solis, Clarence Mason and John Fennelly did the advancing.

On the eight yard line Fennelly got tricky with faking and handed off to Karl Noonan, who went over for the touchdown. Clarence Mason circled left end for the extra point, and Assumption had a 7 point lead.

They picked up one first down and were going for a second when Tom Mason fumbled and Dick Reiselt of the Bulldogs recovered on their 30.

That was what the ultimate winners needed to get going.

The Bulldogs used the fumble to start their second touchdown drive, and things worked out just right for them.

Fennelly kicked to Bettendorf. Dilts fumbled the ball, which squirted forward. John Brooke grabbed the ball and went from the Bettendorf 40 to the Assumption 20.

On the fourth play Dilts went over for the touchdown. He tried to pick up the extra point with a drive over center, but he failed.

So with the score 13-7 in their favor, the Bulldogs were on their way to their 23rd victory without a loss.

### Click Well

In the third period they broke the game wide open.

They had one touchdown called back because of backs in motion on a pass play. Anything but disturbed, Sparling tossed again to Reiselt. The latter got behind the Assumption defenders and galloped into the end zone. The play was good for 23 yards.

In the fourth period the Knights snapped back offensively and scored their second touchdown of the game after getting the ball on the 34 via a kick.

On the third play Fennelly crashed over for the touchdown. Solis picked up the extra point through the line.

That left the Bulldogs with a comfortable 26-14 lead, but they were not satisfied with that.

They wanted more and they got it. With Sparling and Rucker doing first class work and with Dick Barretto running around end 14 yards for the touchdown.

That was it for the night.

The Knights were the victims of their season's jinx, the fumble, but they battled the Bulldogs all the way.

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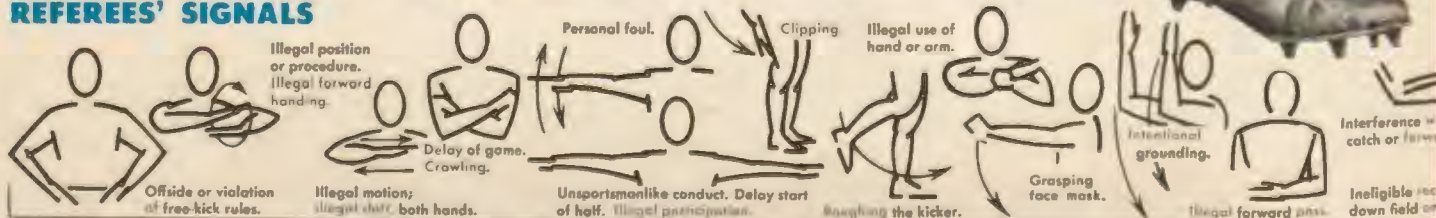




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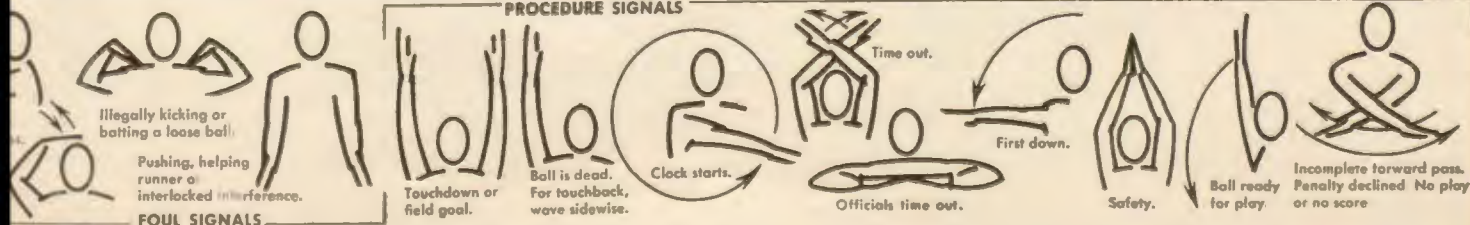
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DEC.	1	BETTENDORF .....	HOME
	8	WAHLERT .....	HOME
	12	NORTH SCOTT .....	HOME
	15	Davenport West .....	away
	21	Alleman .....	away
	29	Burlington .....	away
	30	DAVENPORT CENTRAL .....	HOME
JAN.	5	Muscatine .....	away
	6	EAST MOLINE .....	HOME
	12	ALLEMAN .....	HOME
	19	Wahlert .....	away
	27	MARIAN CATHOLIC .....	HOME
FEB.	1	Regina .....	away
	2	REGIS .....	HOME
	6	Bettendorf .....	away
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## Last Year

# CLINTON EDGES KNIGHTS, 14-13

CLINTON, Iowa — Clinton's River Kings scored two big touchdowns in the first quarter here Friday night and held on doggedly to defeat Assumption High School 14-13.

The Knights, who scored first, blanked Clinton in the remaining three quarters and had two fourth period touchdowns called back. In the third frame John Fennelly's pass into the end zone was dropped, which cut off another Knight TD.

Assumption took the opening kickoff 85 yards for the night's first tally. Fennelly snuck over from Clinton's one yard line.

Assumption fumbles accounted for both Clinton touchdowns. The River Kings picked up a loose ball on their 44 yard-line and moved it 56 yards for their first tally, with Bill Rose carrying the last 15 yards for the TD. Rose also added the PAT to make it 7-6.

Fennelly, back to pass on his 15 after the kickoff, was hit hard, fumbled, and Bob Hammond picked the ball out of the air, scampering to pay dirt. Rose again ran the point after, making it 14-6 Clinton.

Assumption added its second marker in the second frame on a drive that began on the Knights' 46 yard line. Fennelly capped the drive with 6:42 remaining in the period when he rifled a six yard pass to Karl Noonan for the score. Clarence Mason's run for the extra point was good and the score stood 14-13 Clinton.

The second half was a tight defensive battle with Assumption running into bad luck. In the fourth quatrer a Fennelly-to-Noonan pass clicked for a TD, but was called back because of an offside penalty.

In the same period, Fennelly, after being hit and brought to his knees, pitched out to Mason who dashed into the end zone for another score, but it was ruled the pitch out was made after the whistle.

The win hiked Clinton's season mark to 2-1, while Assumption now stands 1-3.

The Knights won the battle of statistics, however, outrushing Clinton 151 yards to 105 and completing eight passes to the Kings' one. The eight completions were good for 95 yards.

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**THE BIG THREE** — Head Coach Ray Ambrose, flanked by Assistant Coaches Bill McAfoos and Tom Sunderbruch, contemplates the season's prospects.

**QUARTERBACK KARL NOONAN '62** rears back for a long one. 

**GRIMACING**, Don Miller and Stan Maliszewski, both seniors, charge down the field.



## 1961 Football Schedule

### VARSITY

Sept. 16	.....	Alleman, away
Sept. 22	.....	Davenport Central away
Sept. 29	.....	CLINTON, home
Oct. 6	.....	North Scott, away
Oct. 13	.....	WAHLERT, home
Oct. 20	.....	Davenport West, away
Oct. 27	.....	MUSCATINE, home
Nov. 3	.....	BURLINGTON, home
Nov. 10	.....	BETTENDORF, home

### SOPHOMORE

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Sept. 22	.....	Davenport Central, away
Sept. 28	.....	CLINTON, home
Oct. 2	.....	MUSCATINE, home
Oct. 5	.....	East Moline, away
Oct. 12	.....	BETTENDORF, home
Oct. 17	.....	Alleman, away
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Oct. 28	.....	ALLEMAN, home





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<p>Offside or violation of free-kick rules.</p>	<p>Illegal position or procedure.</p> <p>Illegal forward handing.</p> <p>Delay of game. Crawling.</p>	<p>Illegal motion; illegal shift, both hands.</p> <p>Personal foul.</p> <p>Clipping.</p> <p>Unsportsmanlike conduct. Delay start of half. Illegal participation.</p>	<p>Laughing the kicker.</p> <p>Grasping face mask.</p> <p>Intentional grounding.</p>	<p>Interference with catch or forward pass.</p> <p>Ineligible player down field.</p>
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## Assumption

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50	Purcell, Barney	E
65	Maliszewski, Stan	T
69	Miller, Don	T
70	Hogan, Jack	G
75	McGee, Dan	G
82	Deluhery, Bob	C
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59	Law, Jim	E
34	Jenkin, Cliff	T
65	Brown, Don	T
62	Cole, Dick	G
63	Brown, Doug	G
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30	Spooner, Jack	HB
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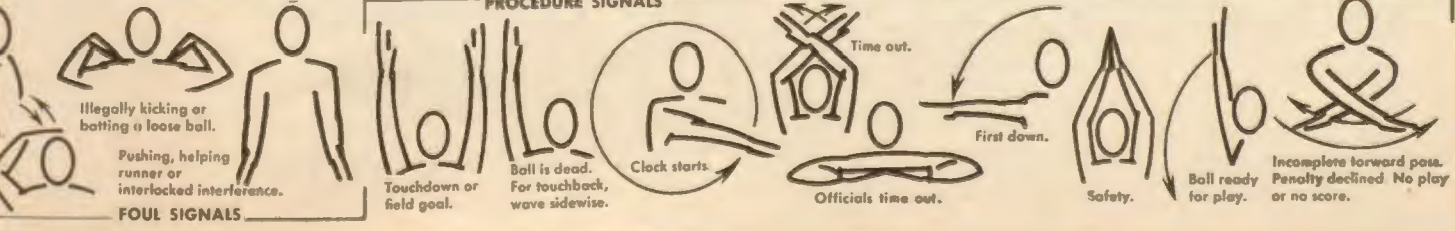
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26	Holmes-170	61	Mayer-174
27	Carr-172	62	Cole-168
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36	Gladhill-186	72	Pesetski-175
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31	McMahon, Jack	FB	160
32	Trinite, Mick	FB	175
33	Howes, Jim	FB	155
34	Wilkins, Kemper	E	160
35	McGrath, John	E	135
40	Braun, Dick	HB	145
41	Mason, Clarence	HB	160
42	Miller, Dennis	HB	150
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45	Brownson, Jim	QB	163
50	Purcell, Barney	E	153
51	Gadient, Jeff	E	150
52	Fiese, John	E	175
53	Kellenberger, Steve	E	165
54	Andrew, Dennis	E	165
55	Tandeski, Dwayne	E	150
56	Stolley, Ed	E	160
57	Sarver, Terry	E	170
60	Colbrese, Mike	T	160
61	Lehman, Al	T	170
63	Smith, Rich	T	160
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66	Donohoo, Bill	T	195
69	Miller, Don	T	200
70	Hogan, Jack	G	145
71	Fennelly, Tom	G	150
72	Sunderbruch, Art	G	140
73	Quigley, Mike	G	150
74	Koenigsacker, George	G	165
75	McGee, Dan	G	190
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18	Murphy, Pat	G	152
20	Current, Craig	QB	170
21	Wynkoop, Wayne	C	150
22	Smith, David	G	150
23	Kenworthy, Ron	G	154
24	Edmunds, Larry	G	140
25	Renkes, Dick	G	151
26	Robinson, Al	E	184
26	Hoimes, Rodger	E	170
27	Carr, Richard	E	172
28	Smith, Don	HB	140
30	Spooner, Jack	HB	134
32	Wilke, Grant	G	148
34	Jenkin, Cliff	T	234
35	Neubauer, Rick	HB	195
36	Gladhill, Bob	T	186
38	Venem, Don	HB	181
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42	Burlingame, Tom	T	187
43	Voge, Dennis	E	180
44	Vilmont, Ken	G	186
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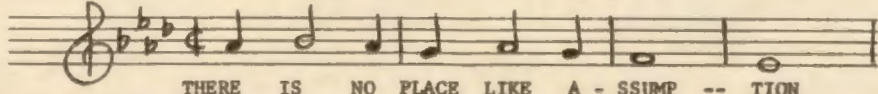
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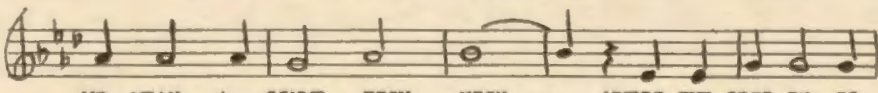


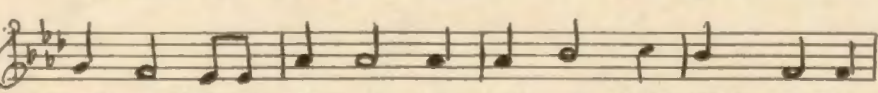


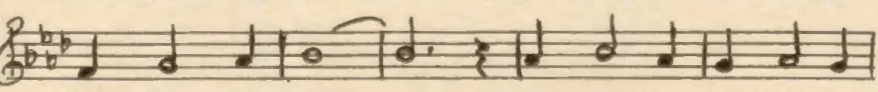
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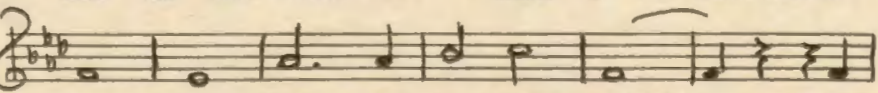
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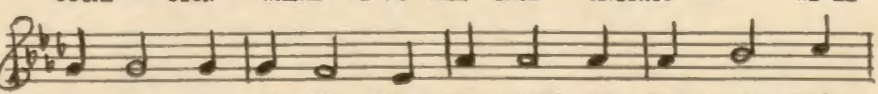

  
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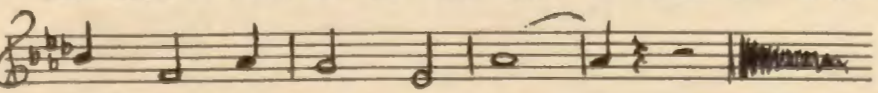

  
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## Last Year

# KNIGHTS KNOCK WAHLERT, 7-6

Dubuque, Iowa — A missed extra point was the difference here Sunday as Davenport Assumption won a bitterly contested 7-6 decision over Dubuque Wahlert in the Loras College Rock Bowl.

The win was the Knights' second against three losses, while Wahlert now has lost four of five.

Trailing 7-0 at halftime and badly outplayed throughout the first two quarters, Wahlert got a break when it recovered Bob Solis' fumble on the Assumption 36 yard line on the first play after the second half kickoff.

The Eagles then scored in 11 plays, with two passes from Pat Dowd to John Abitz the key plays. Dowd hit Abitz for 10 yards to the Assumption 22 on a fourth down situation, keeping the drive alive, and then fired a scoring strike to Abitz with fourth and seven on the Assumption eight yard line.

However, Dowd's attempted place kick for the extra point was wide to the left and so the Knights held a slim 7-6 lead.

Late in the second quarter, with the score 0-0, Wahlert had a fourth down on their own 22. Dowd faked a punt and passed to Abitz for a first down on the Eagles' 35.

On the next play, Dowd passed again, but Clarence Mason intercepted for the Knights on the Wahlert 37 and returned to the 15. Two running plays made seven yards, and on third down John Fennelly

hit Karl Noonan with a pass for the touch-down which came with just 28 seconds remaining in the half. Fennelly bootlegged the ball off his own left tackle for the extra point, which proved to be the winning point.

Before scoring, the Knights had once driven to the Wahlert 35, only to lose the ball on a fumble — one of three bobbles lost by the Knights.

Another drive in the second quarter moved the Knights from their own 15 to the Wahlert 15 where they lost the ball on downs. Then Mason came up with his interception which resulted in a TD for Assumption.

Wahlert surged back in the second half to dominate play as completely as it had been outclassed in the first two periods. The Eagles had made only one first down in the first half and had been held to a net total of 20 yards on offense — never getting the ball beyond their own 48 yard line.

But the story was different in the second half.

Assumption, which had gained 144 yards the first two periods, was held to two first downs and 35 yards in the second half. It had the ball for only 17 plays and never crossed the 50 until Wahlert lost the ball on downs at its own 40 late in the game.

— The Morning Democrat  
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**CENTER BOB DELUHERY gets ready to hike the ball to Qb Karl Noonan as Clarence Mason, Mick Trinite and Bob Hammill line up.**



**CHEERLEADER EVIE PANTHER and her junior cohort, Susie Wells, wave like windmills to churn up a rousing cheer.**



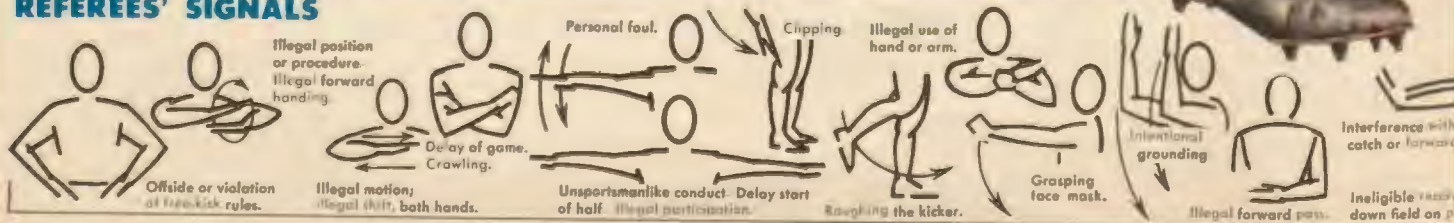




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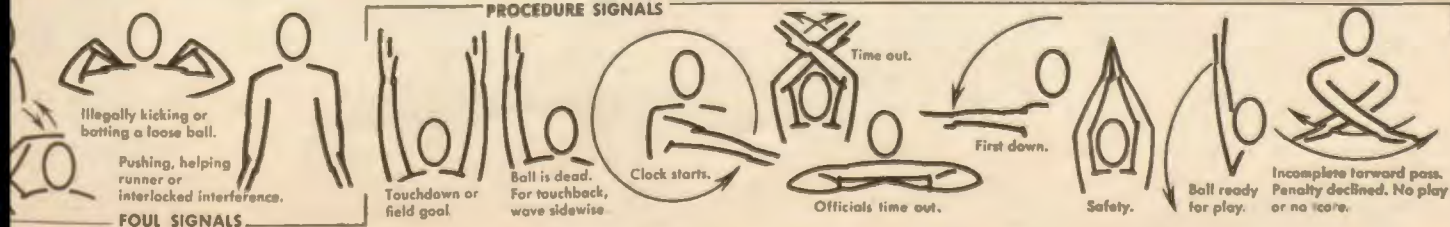
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	Badger, R. J.	B	135
	Graham, Joseph	B	130
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	Mueller, Mark	E	160
	Valentine, Wayne	B	145

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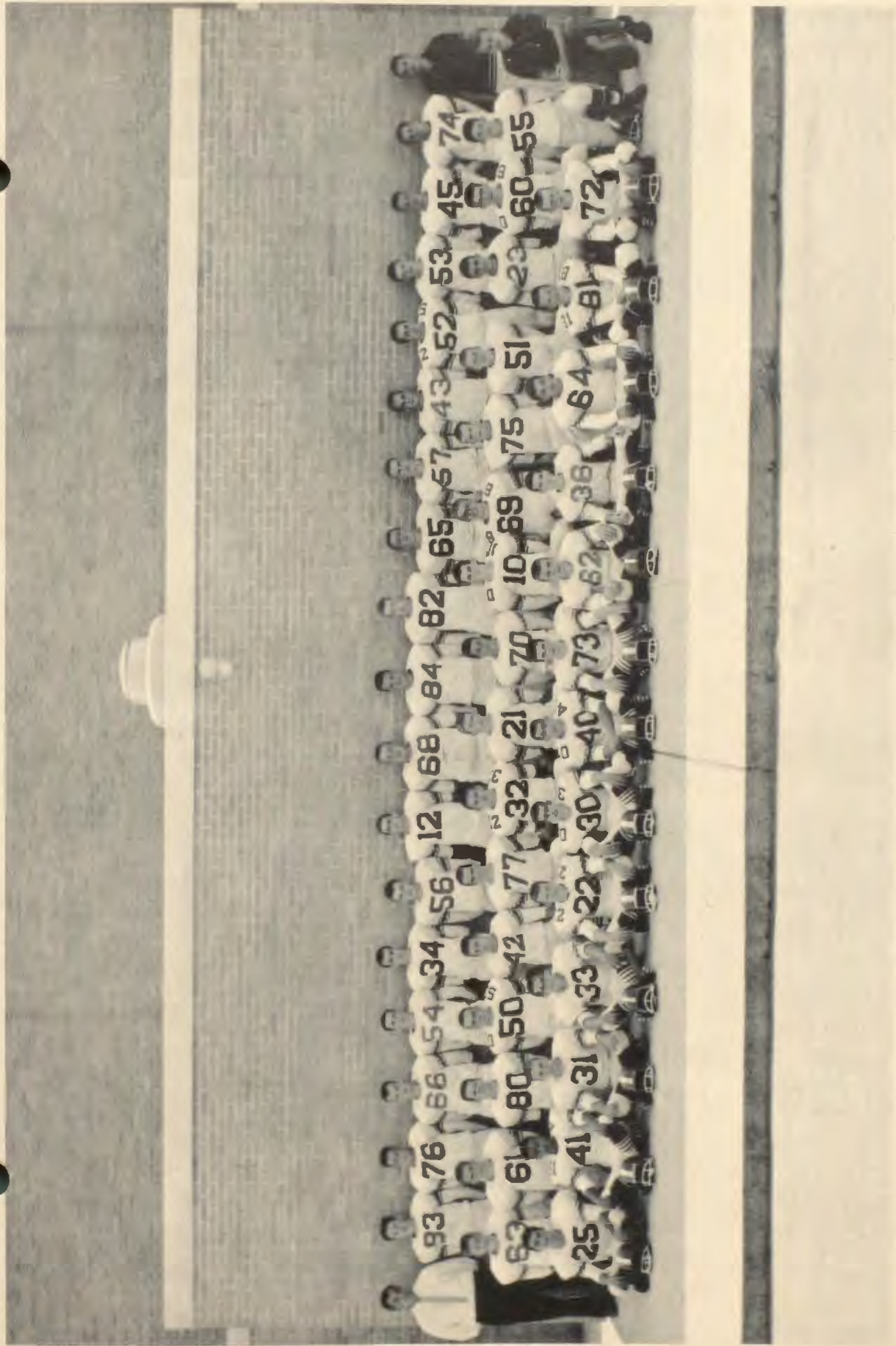
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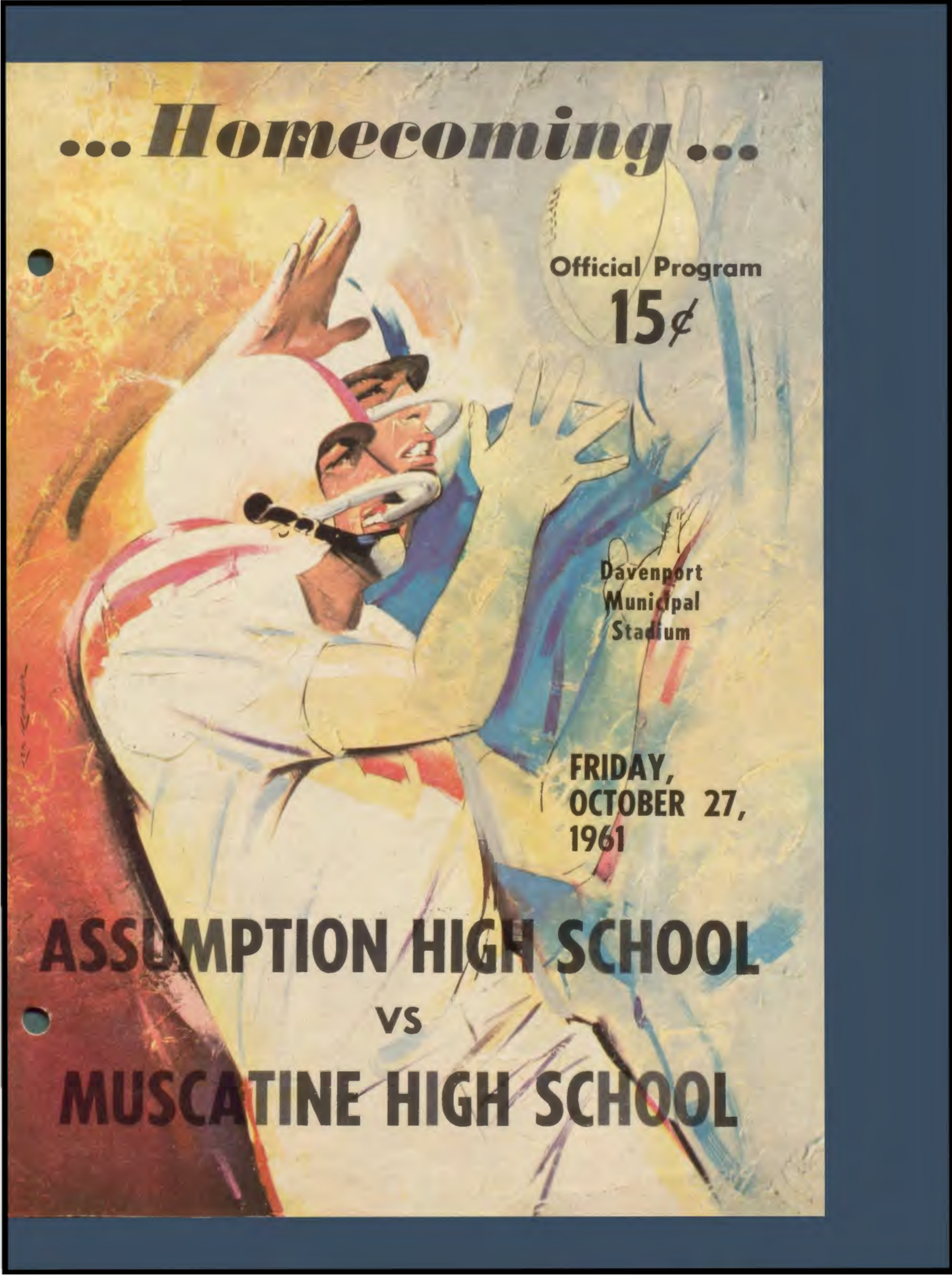
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OCTOBER 27,  
1961

**ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL**

**VS**

**MUSCATINE HIGH SCHOOL**



## Homecoming last year

# KNIGHTS GARNER CITY TITLE

By Don White

Assumption struck for two long-scoring touchdowns in less than four minutes of the first quarter Friday night and rolled to its first outright city football title, beating West 12-6 before more than 5,000 fans at Brady St. Field.

The Knights, who edged Central 13-12 a month ago to win the first leg of the title, made their homecoming followers happy with a couple of long stabs that put West on the ropes, but the Falcons never went down, striking back with fury in the fourth period.

**John Fennelly, Assumption quarterback, darted 47 yards for a touchdown before the game was two minutes old and little Bob Solis, the Knights' 135-pound speed-merchant, raced 38 yards with 6:26 left in the opening quarter.**

West, checked to only 37 yards rushing in the first half and completely baffled by the Assumption defense, roared back in the last half, barely missed one score and then hit on an eight yard scoring toss from Doug Tucker to Bill Nicholson in the fourth period.

Assumption turned in the biggest eight minutes of its season following that West tally. The Knights took over after West had scored with 8:20 left in the game, then held the ball until the final gun.

Assumption, whose 1959 Knights shared the city title with Davenport's one-school unbeaten powerhouse, wasted little time in jumping into the lead.

**The Masons, Tom and Clarence, picked up 12 yards and a first down in the first two plays and Solis took it into West territory with a four yard gainer to the 47.**

Then Fennelly started wide to the right, faked a pitchout and took off down the

middle on his stunning gallop. A key block by Karl Noonan near the 20 sent him into the end zone without trouble, but a Clarence Mason smash into the line for the extra point failed.

Little Jack Beardsley, a 5-foot-5 145 pounder, brought West back fast with a 13 yard gain to the West 47, but two plays later the Falcon's Tucker was hurled back for a four yard loss. He fumbled on the 45 and Assumption end Frank Valainis recovered.

Once again Tom and Clarence Mason started Assumption moving with seven yards in two carries. Solis took a pitchout on the next play, broke away from a pair of West tacklers who blew clear shots at him and darted 38 yards to paydirt. Fennelly tried to run for the extra point, and missed.

**West pounded back and drove from its 27 to the Assumption 38, then Tucker was thrown for a three-yard loss on a fourth down play and the Knights had it again, marching this time down to the Falcon 28 before they ran out of downs.**

A brilliant jumping pass interception by Nicholson on the West 15 yard line halted another Assumption first-half push and West wound up the half with Tucker completing three passes for 25 yards, but twice he was thrown for huge losses and the half ended with Assumption showing 168 yards rushing to West's 37-yard net.

Fennelly punted out and West came right back, going 38 yards in eight plays for its touchdown. Beardsley carried twice for one first down, then gained another on the 16 after Nicholson had picked up nine yards in two trips.

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<p>Illegal position or procedure.</p>	<p>Delay of game. Crawling.</p>	<p>Personal foul.</p>	<p>Clipping.</p>	<p>Illegal use of hand or arm.</p>	<p>Interference with catch or forward pass.</p>
<p>Illegal forward handing.</p>	<p>Grasping face mask.</p>	<p>Illegal forward pass.</p>	<p>Intentional grounding.</p>	<p>Interference with catch or forward pass.</p>	<p>Ineligible receiver down field on pass.</p>



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## Assumption Starting Line-up

52	Fiese, John	E
56	Stolley, Ed	E
65	Maliszewski, Stan	T
69	Miller, Don	T
70	Hogan, Jack	G
84	Miclot, Steve	G
82	Deluhery, Bob	C
12	Noonan, Karl	QB
32	Trinite, Mick	HB
41	Mason, Clarence	HB
31	McMahon, Jack	FB

### SQUAD

10	Burke-165	56	Stolley-160
11	Solis-140	57	Sarver-170
12	Noonan-175	60	Colbrese-160
21	Stoker-150	61	Lehman-170
22	Hammill-158	63	Smith-160
23	DiBlasio-155	64	Crossen-180
30	Rashid-165	65	Maliszewski-200
31	McMahon-160	66	Donohoo-195
32	Trinite-175	69	Miller-200
33	Howes-155	70	Hogan-145
34	Wilkins-160	71	Fennelly-150
35	McGrath-135	72	Sunderbruch-140
41	Mason-160	73	Quigley-150
42	Miller-150	74	Koenigsacker-165
43	Etzel-175	75	McGee-190
40	Braun-145	76	Haynes-180
45	Brownson-163	77	Goetsch-160
50	Purcell-173	80	Helmel-155
51	Gadient-150	81	Thompson-165
52	Fiese-175	82	Deluhery-205
53	Kellenberger-165	83	Schlitter-175
54	Andrew-165	84	Miclot-250
55	Tandeski-150		

### ASSUMPTION

Director—Rev. Robert Amborn  
Principals—Rev. E. J. Weeg  
Sr. Mary Ann Esther  
Athletic Director — Rev. Robert  
Walter  
Head Coach—Ray Ambrose  
Assistant Coaches —  
Bill McAfoos  
Tom Sunderbruch



### SQUAD

20	Rueckert-170	39	Dodder-195
21	Foor-140	40	Logel-185
22	Te Strake-165	41	Schroeder-170
23	Lloyd-140	42	Cook-165
24	Hale-150	43	Wright-135
25	Grigg-155	44	Furda-180
26	Albright-160	45	Lober-175
27	Fahy-130	46	Toyne-160
28	Felton-155	47	Roggeveen-165
29	Weeks-165	48	Burmeister-140
31	Hurr-160	49	Petersen-160
32	Bartelt-165	50	Welch-240
33	Bivens-145	51	Dodder-205
34	Day-160	52	Mess-180
35	Brown-145	54	Wagler-210
36	Cozad-150	55	Sellers-230

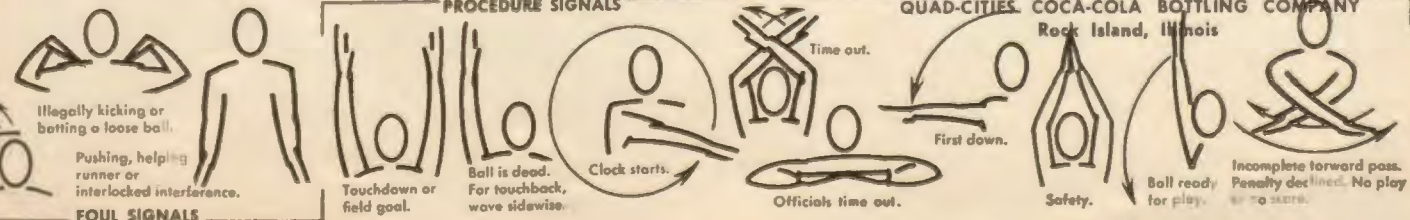
### MUSCATINE

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Coaches:  
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## Assumption Varsity Squad Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Weight
10	Burke, John	QB	165
11	Solis, Frank	QB	140
12	Noonan, Karl	QB	175
21	Stoker, John	HB	150
22	Hammill, Bob	HB	158
23	DiBlasio, Paul	HB	155
30	Rashid, Al	FB	165
31	McMahon, Jack	FB	160
32	Trinite, Mick	FB	175
33	Howes, Jim	FB	155
34	Wilkins, Kemper	E	160
35	McGrath, John	E	135
40	Braun, Dick	HB	145
41	Mason, Clarence	HB	160
42	Miller, Dennis	HB	150
43	Etzal, Erle	HB	175
45	Brownson, Jim	QB	163
50	Purcell, Barney	E	153
51	Gadient, Jeff	E	150
52	Fiese, John	E	175
53	Kellenberger, Steve	E	165
54	Andrew, Dennis	E	165
55	Tandeski, Dwayne	E	150
56	Stolley, Ed	E	160
57	Sarver, Terry	E	170
60	Colbrese, Mike	T	160
61	Lehman, Al	T	170
63	Smith, Rich	T	160
64	Crossen, John	T	180
65	Maliszewski, Stan	T	200
66	Donohoo, Bill	T	195
69	Miller, Don	T	200
70	Hogan, Jack	G	145
71	Fennelly, Tom	G	150
72	Sunderbruch, Art	G	140
73	Quigley, Mike	G	150
74	Koenigsacker, George	G	165
75	McGee, Dan	G	190
76	Haynes, Larry	G	180
77	Goetsch, Mike	G	160
80	Helmel, Bill	C	155
81	Thompson, Terry	C	165
82	Deluhery, Bob	C	205
83	Schlitter, Dave	C	175
84	Miclot, Steve	C	250

## Muscatine Varsity Squad Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Weight
20	*Mike Rueckert	B	170
21	Bob Foor	B	140
22	*Don Te Strake	B	165
23	Howard Lloyd	B	140
24	*Chester Hale	B	150
25	Herb Grigg	B	155
26	*Bill Albright	G	160
27	Terry Fahy	B	130
28	*Doug Felton	B	155
29	*Wayne Weeks	G	165
31	Jim Hurr	C	160
32	*Ralph Bartelt	E	165
33	Bill Bivens	B	145
34	Larry Day	E	160
35	Don Brown	B	145
36	Gary Cozad	B	150
39	Dave Dodder	T	195
40	*Jay Logel	T	185
41	*Ken Schroeder	G	170
42	*Dave Cook	G	165
43	Ron Wright	B	135
44	Dave Furda	E	180
45	Terry Lober	E	175
46	Bill Toyne	G	160
47	Len Roggeveen	E	165
48	Jon Burmeister	E	140
49	Dave Petersen	T	160
50	Clayton Welch	G	240
51	Joe Dodder	C	205
52	Jim Mess	T	180
54	Dan Wagler	T	210
55	Dick Sellers	T	230

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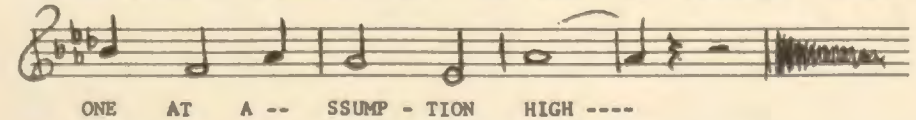
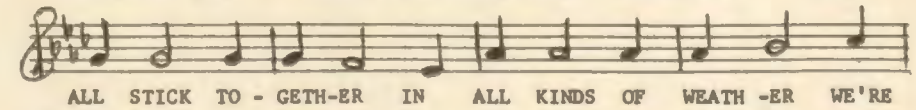
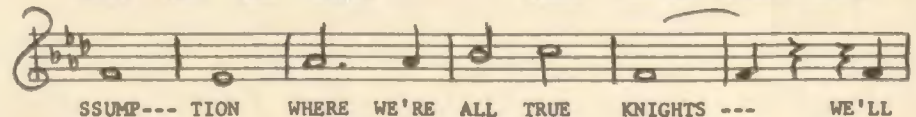
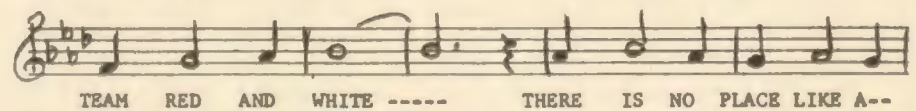
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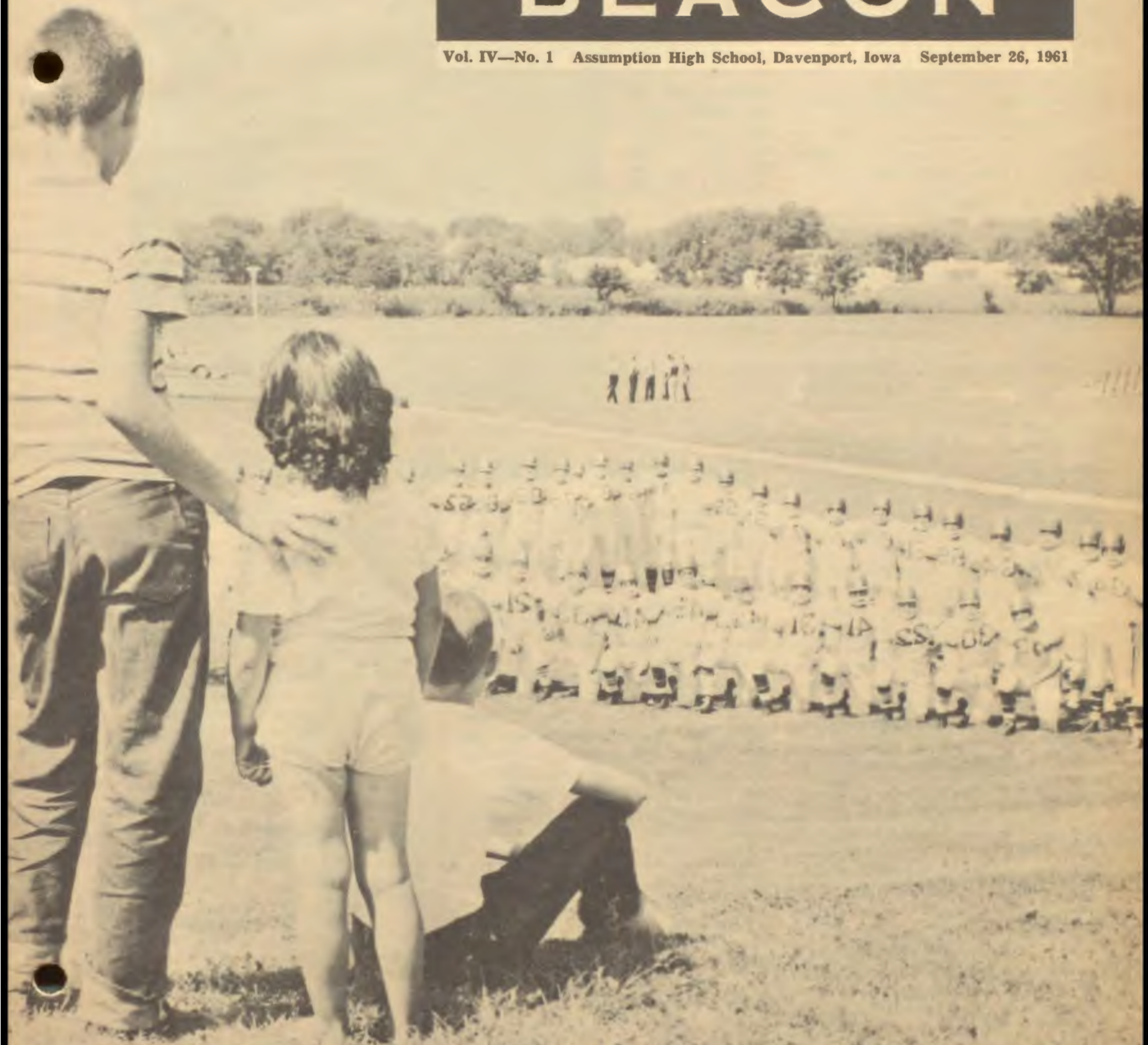


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# KNIGHT BEACON

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THE CLASS OF '72 looks to the team of '62 for some of the traditions which they will follow when they are on the field rather than on the hill. This four year class of '62 will also establish academic, social and religious traditions.



# US Mystifies 'Al'

by Jerry Ketelaar

Too young to be a Papal Volunteer? Well then, listen!

Take the advice of Student Council President Frank Solis '62 and be a PAVLA representative right here. "Assumptionites have the opportunity to set an example of North American life — an example to be carried back to Bolivia in South America," he says.

"Assumption's new exchange student, Alfredo Omiste '62 of Potosi, Bolivia, offers a chance for everyone in school to become a Papal Volunteer," says senior class girls' president Jane Murney.

## Visits President

Alfredo, who arrived in Washington, D.C., by plane via La Paz, Bolivia, and Miami, spent five days sightseeing in the capital before coming to Davenport by train. Among the exciting events in Washington was the presentation of President Kennedy to the group of visiting students. Since his arrival, Alfredo has been living with the E. A. (Gene) Wohlers family, 3830 Pacific Street. Their son Jack '63 has been introducing Alfredo to Assumption.

Although TV and the vast number of cars in the United States amaze him, other US features, such as dancing and American singers (yes, Elvis Presley's in Bolivia too) are not new to the 17 year old Bolivian who has high hopes of someday becoming a doctor.

At a senior party recently Alfredo proved to be truly "the life of the party." After showing the guests how to do the latest Bolivian dance (with the assistance of Joanie Kloss '62) Alfredo proceeded to try some watermelon — a new experience for him. After he opened a bottle of pop which exploded all over the room, the guys put Alfredo on their shoulders and he wiped the coke off the ceiling. Conversation was a lively combination of American and Spanish.

"American schools are harder and offer more subjects than schools in my hometown," notes Alfredo, in contrast to exchange student Helmut Steiner's statement last year about his European background. Alfredo has had chemistry, physics, religion, and six years of English among other subjects.

## Alfredo's Schedule

This year his schedule consists of physics, biology, English, American history, religion, glee club, and physical education. Spanish is also included in his curriculum. Because it is the lad's native tongue, registrar Fr. John Boyle feels Alfredo's presence in class will benefit all.

When Mr. Ron Mellen addressed Alfredo as "Al" the latter promptly corrected his teacher, explaining the pronunciation was "Alfredo." Apparently Alfredo didn't realize the shortened version of his name was meant as a nickname rather than a mistake.

**TRYING OUT AN AMERICAN backyard sport is racketeer Alfredo Omiste '62, foreign exchange student from Bolivia.**



## Mexico Mystifies Maestros

Mexico is not all bullfights and siestas. Just ask Frs. Louis Colonnese and Gerald Kraus who went south of the border this summer as representatives of PAVLA.

The two Assumption teachers went to Mexico to visit Cuernavaca and to live in the same conditions that PAVLA volunteers will face.

They discovered deplorable living conditions. The towns are dirty and unsanitary. The water is terribly unclean. These poor conditions will definitely be a test of the volunteers' missionary spirit. In one town of approximately 10,000 people there are only six water spigots.

Cuernavaca is the location of the Center of Intercultural Formation, CIF, according to Father Colonnese, "aims to take a person who exercises a skill in the United States, Canada, or Europe and prepare him to use that same skill among people of a different culture." CIF teaches these people the language and

Alfredo enjoys tennis, baseball, and soccer in his native land and is eagerly looking forward to football and basketball games. He hopes to make many friends during the coming year.

How about you? Have you met Alfredo Omiste yet? If not, he is looking forward to meeting you and adding your good example to his idea of Americans and the life they lead.

Papal volunteers go to Latin America but Alfredo has brought South America (or "America el Sud" in his language) to us.

culture of Latin America. It also instills the missionary spirit more deeply into the volunteers.

CIF is for "persons who, at the cost of serious personal sacrifice, want to contribute an extended period of their lives to assist the population of a developing country in the growth of their native institutions." CIF trains these people to know how to speak to the people and understand their ways.

The two priests first visited Mexico City. They found a city that thrives on tourists. Americans in Mexico City are constantly hounded by someone with things to sell. The government does not allow religious to wear clerical garb. The priests therefore dressed as laymen.

PAVLA will send volunteers to be trained under conditions found by these priests, then will assign them to certain areas in Latin America. These volunteers will try to help Latin America to overcome its poverty, to teach the people sanitary ways and the catechism. The Knight Beacon hopes to correspond with one of the Davenport diocese volunteers now training in Cuernavaca.

## Grad Goes to Sea

Assumption now boasts a newly stationed Cadet in the US Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut. Of the 4277 national applicants, graduate Gerald Kane '61 met the preliminary requirements and completed the examination to become one of the 410 who achieved the highest scores and were selected for appointment to the Academy.



# Model A Shifts to '61 Cadillac Prices

Your dad may have bought a Ford for \$900, and your mother may have bought butter at 30¢ a pound, but they're not going to educate you at Model A prices.

According to Fr. Robert Amborn, "Assumption high school students, till this year, have been paying pre-war prices for their education." Academy tuition was \$90, but there were typing, locker and lab fees, and other extras. Father Amborn and the Board of Education decided to combine all expenses in the tuition, setting the total at \$125.

Why has the tuition, now, been raised to \$150?

"Parents have been expecting this raise for several years. They realize that Assumption high school cannot run on the same income as when it started," Father Amborn commented. "Inflation and rising prices forced the institution to raise its source of income."

After many months of deliberation, in May '61, the Board of Education decided on the \$25 increase.

"It costs approximately \$250 per student to run the school annually," remarked the director. The balance between the tuition and the actual cost is assessed to the parishes, which in turn pay it off through parents' contributions.

For families with more than one high

school student, as in the Vincent State family, prices are consecutively reduced. Julie '62 must pay \$150 in tuition, while her freshman sister Evie is charged only \$75. For Mary '63 and sophomore John the prices are set at \$125 and \$100.

## AHS's Collaborate

College Night at Assumption will coordinate with College Day at Alleman High School in Rock Island. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors are invited to bring their parents to the program Oct. 12, at Assumption.

In order to give future students a better knowledge of what they have to offer, a number of Catholic colleges have been invited to both schools.

Boys' colleges sending representatives are: St. Joseph's College, Renselaer, Ind.; Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.; Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.; University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.; St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kansas; St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.; Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Mo.; College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn.; The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.; University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio; and St. Ambrose College, Davenport.

Girls' colleges sending representatives are: Clarke College, Dubuque; Marycrest College, Davenport; Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mount Mercy College, Cedar Rapids; Mount St. Clare College, Clinton; College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minn.; Webster College, Webster Groves, Mo.; St. Xavier College, Chicago, Ill.; Duchesne College, Omaha, Neb.; Ottumwa Heights College, Ottumwa; St. Mary's College, Omaha, Neb.; St. Mary's of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.; and Mount St. Scholastica College, Atchison, Kansas.

Having attended College Night last year, Donna Carpenter '62 said that, "It gave me a better idea of the expense, scholastic rating and courses offered in various colleges."

How did students make money to meet the rising cost of today's education?

Bill Grothus '62 spent his summer "vacation" as a brickmason laborer while Jerry Ketelaar '62 spent part of his time working for Ideal Plumbing & Heating Co. (The rest of the time he went fishing.)

Janie Murney '62 worked part time in a large supermarket; Sandy Berg '62 worked as a carhop in a local drive-in.

As in past years, this money will go towards general operating costs of the school. This involves faculty salaries, office and maintenance help, the cost of electricity and heat, and supplies.

So far this year there have been no complaints about higher tuition. As Mrs. Al Banks, mother of Mary Jo '64, stated, "Of course I would like the cost to remain the same, but that is like asking time itself to stop. The school must keep up with the times and we parents expect this."

## Students Select Religious Lives

Seven former Assumption students are now training for religious life. Dan McGuinness, Charles Skelly and Don Loftus, all '61 graduates, are entering St. Ambrose College Seminary. Mike Kernan '61 enrolled at Maryknoll to study for the foreign missions. Also entering St. Ambrose is Les Bickford, who would have graduated last year from Assumption but went to school in California for his final year.

Two of these seven students are graduates of two years ago. Dick Leonard and John Hyland are also entering the seminary department at St. Ambrose.

Fr. Charles Mann replaces Fr. J. V. Ryan as director of the Vocation Club this year. Father Ryan is now principal of Walsh high school, Ottumwa.

October

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TROLLAN

Mothers' Club - 10

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## Study and Strain Supply Scholarships

How would you like to earn \$30 an hour?

Such a prospect may not sound impossible but former editor Hal Feeney, a '61 grad, proved it was not only possible, but probable. Hal was not on Rockefeller's payroll, nor did he perform any bizarre feat. He instead took advantage of the UAW scholarship contest and won \$800 for his college education by writing the prize winning essay on the necessity of labor unions in approximately 26 hours.

Hal was not, however, the only Assumption prodigy. Graduates of '61 compiled a total of over \$20,000 in academic scholarships and an unknown amount in athletic scholarships.

How much will AHS graduates of '62 poll? The answer to this question must be decided now. Spring is entirely too late.

Scholarships are not, however, "for the taking" — they must be earned. Marycrest and St. Ambrose scholarships are granted to students at the top of their graduation class. Applicants for the Archdiocesan scholarship to Catholic University at Washington, D.C., from which Bill Keefe '61 netted \$3600, were graded from the college entrance board examinations.

Bill attributes his good fortune to College Night, where he first became acquainted with the offer. As Bill did, it would be wise to attend College Night on Oct. 12, if only to see what scholarships are available. Often, simply by applying for them, you find your college financial problems lightened.

The National Merit Scholarship Test, which qualifies students for most of the national scholarships, is taken in November of senior year. This leaves no time for inert students.

To qualify for a scholarship, ambition, as well as ability, is necessary. Many companies offer aid to the sons and daughters of their employees. Gary LaFayette '61 merited \$2000 on an Alcoa scholarship while Dave Cratty '61 obtained the same amount from the

Bill Keefe	\$3600
Dave Cavanaugh	2500
Mike Ceurvorst	2400
Dave Cratty	2200
Gary LaFayette	2000
Mary Ann Walter	2000
Paul Bauer	800
Hal Feeney	800
Roseann Laake	800
Carole Westphal	800
Sally Healey	600
Diane Miclot	600
Sharon Goettsch	400
JoAnn Ruge	400
Barb Smith	400
Pat Swails	400
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Girls with nursing careers in mind should look to aid offered by Mercy School of Nursing, or Osteopathic hospital, with no obligation in the choice of schools. Mary Ann Walter, Pat Swails, Sharon Goettsch and JoAnn Ruge, all '61, took these.

Remember: \$30 an hour!



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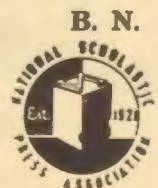
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## Cross 'n Crown From Death Comes Life

by John Crossen

The two academies die while Assumption grows.

Being only four years old, we are young, but the startling fact is that we are mature. Winning scholarships and writing letters to newspapers emphasizing the Christian outlook on racial discrimination (as Ken Wolf and Greg Cusack, both '61, wrote to the Times this summer) prove this.

According to the New York Times 27,000,000 children are not receiving religious instruction in this country. What about those who are in Catholic schools?

Our graduates are doing their part as Christians in the world, but what can we do as high school students?

It isn't necessary to be perfect Christians but it is most important to try to be — and that must be done in the classroom before trying it in society.

**That extra effort to get to Mass some morning, or not to berate the teachers after a hard day at school can do more than preaching. Students won't listen to our preaching, but they will follow our example.**

We should not try to become stereotype images of Christ. There are many ways to follow Christ and to bring Him into the student world.

Out of death will come new life. From Assumption will come the Christians who will change Davenport, the U.S., the world.



# Assumption Blossoms with First Four-year Seniors

As members of the class of '62 we can truly say it is a pleasure to be seniors. Unlike previous Assumption seniors, we are no longer hybrids from St. Ambrose or ICA, but rather loyal full-fledged Assumptionites.

This may not sound so great but when you consider that upon us lies the responsibility of acting as foundation and cornerstone, we would be wise to act prudently in our last year.

It has been a long struggle, but we are not yet to the top. We can compare it to climbing a very steep mountain that has three peaks before the large and final summit. No matter how long and terrible the climb is, one little slip will send us tumbling with all our work meaningless.

Furthermore people forget how far we climbed, but readily remember how fast we fell. Even though we are not climbing a mountain, we are never remembered for what we did as freshmen, sophomores, or even juniors, but rather as the leaders at the top of the ladder — the senior's role.

We the class of '62 will be remembered in our school. Our class has great potential in all fields of endeavor. It has taken four years to get here and we should make sure our memory will last many times more.

In memory we should not be remembered for the commotion and trouble that we caused, but rather for the good action we advocated and completed — athletically in football, basketball, wrestling, and track; academically through the number of scholarships received by our class; socially during the class project; and religiously by following Catholic Action in YCS and Sodality.

## Policies Pilot Beacon

The set standards and policies guiding the **Knight Beacon** through the following year will be:

1. The **Knight Beacon** will serve as the voice of the students, printing only student written material.
2. We will continue to develop the portfolio format: as a newspaper we will record the facts, as a yearbook we will highlight the year.
3. We will cover all phases of student life; academic, athletic, social, and religious.
4. To inform the students we will present both sides of controversial issues pertaining to school life.
5. The staff accepts for publication any student written work, subject to the editors' discretion.
6. Because this is a student publication, constructive criticism will be welcomed.
7. The **Knight Beacon** will be subject to suggestions rendered by an advisory council, composed of faculty and lay members.
8. As a Catholic paper, the **Knight Beacon** will promote Catholic Action.
9. Outlining the Christian ideals of the knight, the staff pledges to present news as "a beacon in the night."

Only when our full energies and capabilities are used to bring these fields to their highest peak can we truly graduate with pride as the first real class of Assumption.

S. M.

## Through the Year

### Student Toasts Teachers

Faculty members may be cheaper by the dozen, but Assumption looks for quality, not quantity.

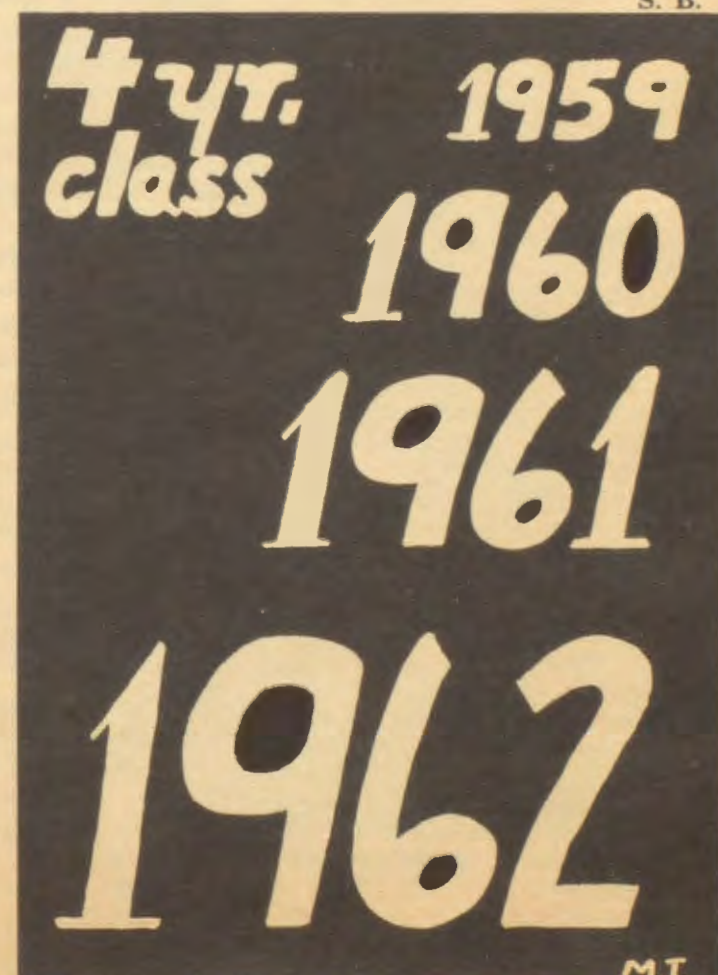
With the introduction of 11 new teachers, we see the arrival of new ideas for this young high school. Although students regret the loss of old friends in the faculty which guided us so well last year, we are anxious to start anew.

We welcome the following Sisters of Charity to the girls' faculty: Sister Mary John Therese, Sister Mary Mildred Ann, Sister Mary Gabriella, Sister Mary Meneve, Sister Mary Joannette, Sister Mary Joseline, and Sister Michael Mary, BVM. Also Mrs. Ben Steckel joins the lay faculty. Mrs. Young is not new, just her name; she is the former Miss Marian Thornton.

Fr. Marvin Eldred and Fr. Carlos Leveling are new boys' faculty members along with Mr. Thomas Sunderbruch.

Little by little Assumption gains its own traditions and memories. We are looking to the new faculty to help us further our traditions and add to the growing list.

S. B.





# Let Me See Your License

by Jim Bowe

"Hey Jim! Are you up? It's 7:20."

My mother's query was needless, for I was already washed and dressed.

Walking downstairs, I decided not to eat. My big brother, Denny, would be along any minute and I wanted to get there early.

Denny pulled into our driveway in his light green, stick shift Comet at 7:35. As he came into the house, we exchanged greetings.

"Hi Den."

"Hi Jim."

Finishing a glass of milk, I got the key to our dark green '58 Impala from my Dad.

We walked out to the car and were gone. It was Sept. 9, 1961 and I was getting my driver's license!

We got to the Bureau at Battery B on Brady Street at 7:50. There were already two people ahead of me for the road test, and by 8:00 there were nine.

When my turn came, I pulled the car up to the curb in front of the building.

My right foot was shaking a little, but otherwise I felt A-OK.

The patrolman asked for my permit, and then proceeded to check the equipment on the car. Satisfied, he got in.

"Turn left at the end of the drive."

As the car began to move, the patrolman and I began talking. He turned out to be one of the most sociable guys I have met in a long time.

Patrolman Alton Chrystal has been at the Davenport Drivers' License Bureau for 4 of his 10 years on the State Patrol.

For the benefit of any AHS girls who have seen him, Patrolman Chrystal is married.

As we rode, we continued talking so that it didn't seem like a test at all.

Like other people, patrolmen have pet peeves. Patrolman Chrystal's pet peeve is people who don't know how to drive taking a road test on the chance they might pass. "We get crumpled fenders every once in a while from this kind," he noted.

Approximately one out of 10 who take the road test fail. It isn't always the other guy. Just ask John Lepetit '62.

The secret of passing the test is knowing how to drive. So, as Patrolman Chrystal says, "Study for it just like you would an algebra test."

We went in as far as 29th Street before turning left. We then moved in a northeasterly direction until we came to 32nd Street, and then journeyed back to Brady. I made all the correct signals. Before I knew it, we were back at the bureau.

"Very good, Jim. Take this into the lady and she will fix you up," Alton said as he handed me my permit.

Yes sir, real sociable.



"DOLLAR DOWN AND a dollar a week?" asks Jim Bowe '62 as Patrolman Chrystal commends Jim as a "fine" driver.

## Let's Go To School All Year Long

"Self-activity is the first principle of education," is a phrase Fr. Marvin Mot-tet has all his senior religion students put on the top of their paper. This summer many of the Assumption Knights took this quote seriously.

What do you think of when the word "summer" is mentioned? Perhaps you remember the parties you and your friends had or those gay times at the beach come to mind. Some might remember those hot days at the factory or place where they worked. But, what did you do to increase your mental status?

"Summer school" in days of old might have been considered a dirty word to

students. But throughout the years it has gained prestige and now is termed as a definite aid to the student interested in college and advanced education. During the summer, "speed reading," a course given by Mr. John Fox and Mr. Carl Bell at St. Ambrose College, was frequented by Assumption scholars.

### Study Habits

This course attempted to increase the words a person can read per minute as well as comprehension. Study habits were also brought up and discussed at almost every class.

John Fiese '62 stated, "This course increased my speed and comprehension a lot, and I think it will be of great use to me in college."

Many newcomers to AHS this year noticed the need for extra curricular preparation for high school. Last summer quite a few freshman girls took typing at either JB Young Jr. high or at Marycrest College. "This is going to make things much easier in high school for me. I believe it was time well spent," remarked Peggy Parker '65.

### Top Rank

Dave Huyette, a student ranked in the upper 5% of his class, did something a little extraordinary. This summer Dave attended Northwestern University for five weeks, taking an introductory science and engineering course.

"During these weeks I received some very interesting introductions to college life. Since going to summer school I'm pretty well set on my vocation," remarked Dave, who received a leadership award as one of the outstanding students at the session.

Whether by taking an advanced course in mathematics, such as Dave Huyette, or simply spending some time reading books this summer you were increasing your knowledge and chances for college entrance.

## Math Deviates

by John Crossen

"Defective and redundant." Do these terms seem strange to you? Well, Sister Laurent, CHM, is hoping that her advanced algebra class can understand them. Currently, Sister is teaching her classes of junior boys to work with fractional equations.

These terms can be defined as:

(1) A defective equation is a derived equation which lacks one or more roots of the original equation.

(2) A derived equation is a redundant if it contains all the roots of the original equation and one or more additional ones.

Now, of course it is assumed that you already know the meaning of "equation" and "root." And you now understand the meaning of "defective," "redundant"? You do? Then will somebody please come over and do my homework?



# Watermelon, Swimming Pep Up YCS Workshop

Watermelons, workshops, swimming, and a lot of talk were all part of one full week for 20 Assumptionites.

These students attended the YCS regional study week, held at St. Ambrose College, Aug. 14-18. Fr. Louis Colonnese was general chairman of the convention, which drew over 500 YCSers. Sister Mary Ann Marita, CHM, planned and coordinated the week's activities.

In his workshop on "Color Blindness," Derek Williams '62 tackled the race relations problem. Ignorance and emotion play a big part in the misunderstanding of the Negro. "Fear and hatred impede reason and choice," claims Derek.

Traditional myths also foster difficulties. Since the "race question is primarily a moral matter," justice demands that the Negro be treated equally, Derek said.

To prepare their workshop Jane Molyneux '62 and Gwen Gaukler '63 inquired around the campus. They found that few students knew about lay missions. As a result they showed how students can spend from two to four weeks each summer helping in the missions. Arletta Hartman, full time YCS worker, presented slides on her work among the Navajo Indians in Arizona to round out their workshop.

Fr. Laurence Murphy, MM, told one of his general assemblies, "the Church needs your sacrifices to accomplish its mission."

Fr. Marvin Mottet also stressed sacrifice. "If you don't learn to sacrifice, to give yourself, you will be a failure in YCS," he stated.

The departure ceremony of three lay missionaries climaxed the Lay Apostolate Conference. Bishop Ralph L. Hayes blessed New Testaments and mission crucifixes which he presented to the three girls.

"Christ needs you for the cause of Christ," the Bishop told them. He said it was their duty as "lay leaders to solve

## Hey Bud, Watcha Doin' Friday Night?

What's that you say? You don't have time to read those books for reports? Well, perhaps you could try the "Read Only During Spare Time" plan advocated by four seniors, Terry Thompson, Bill Tiedje, Susy Welch, and Barb Niemeyer.

They experimented last year and now offer the results to underclassmen.

During the first quarter each picked out a book and agreed to read it only during spare time which otherwise would be frittered away. They compiled lists stating the time and place where they read the book and the number of pages read.

For example, Barb Niemeyer read 10 pages of *The Silver Chalice* during 12 minutes of lunch Sept. 27. Susy Welch took advantage of an impromptu

the problems of the world."

"YCS study week should be attended by all YCSers and interested students because 1) you obtain practical knowledge of the YCS movement, 2) you sense the movement active in your nation rather than just in your group, and 3) you gain enthusiasm for your lay apostolate work," advises Greg Cusack, past National President of YCS and '61 graduate of Assumption, now attending Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

tu 28-minute study hall during chemistry class Nov. 16 to read a portion of *The Ugly American*.

The Night Flight kept Bill Tiedje busy during the 15 minutes study after journalism class Sept. 15.

Terry Thompson finished his book, *Murder On The Links* between the Iowa Tests on Sept. 22 and 23.

Commenting on the merits of this plan, Terry Thompson states, "This method kept me from wasting time and also made it easier for me to get my book report done."

Listing some of the disadvantages Susy Welch says that reading a book in such a piecemeal fashion breaks the continuity of the story and consequently the reader loses interest. "I didn't get a good overall picture of the story," she concluded.

"WHAT'LL THE CLASS OFFICERS build this year?" asks Dave Huyette '62 of Jeff Gadiant '63, Jane Murney '62, Mardi Gaydos '63, Mary Motto '64, and Dave Votroubek '64 as they clamber atop the rock pile behind the gym.



NEW SGA MODERATOR Fr. Gerald Kraus smiles his approval as Frank Solis '62 and Don Chenoweth '63 look on helplessly while Kathy Ceurvorst '62 digs in the files to see if Father W. F. Dawson filed last year's minutes. Father Dawson is now studying for his doctorate in philosophy at Notre Dame University.





**MICK TRINITE '62** punts the season off to a good start with a long kickoff.



**JOHN FIESE '62** moves in for the short one thrown by Karl Noonan '62.

**CLEARING THE LAND** of unwanted opponents are backfield men Clarence Mason '62 and Bob Hammill '62.

# KICK



**COACH RAY AMBROSE** watches closely as his gridders toughen up for the games ahead.



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TAKING OVER MOMENTARILY, John Sunderbruch, the Coach's little brother, gives the boys a pep talk on the horn during calisthenics.



CASTING AN ADMIRING glance in the direction of a future cheerleader (Babe's daughter) perched on his lap is Bob Deluhery '62.

THE FOOTBALL PLAYERS line up in "A" formation as the neighborhood kids — John Sunderbruch, Barb and Jim Derouin — their first cheering section, watch from the hilltop.





## Rabbit Eye

# Abner Hides; Band Marches

by Ann Humphrey

Me name is Abner Rabbit. T'was a hot sultry day in July that I was sittin' in the grass behind the AHS parking lot watchin' another Assumption first when me true buddy, Morty, hops over to me.

He screams, screams he, "Why be they makin' all this infernal racket here? Why in the world don't they count over 8? 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-left-right-left-right. They be drivin' me crazy."

I explains, explains I, to true buddy Morty, that we is watchin' the Assumption band marchin' say practice. "There be more than 50, I say 50, members out there," says I, "what are practicin' and practicin' to do justice to them spankin' new band uniforms. They been out here four days a week ever since June 12, and will be till July 20. How's that for spunk?" I asks, asks I.

"There be seven, I say seven appearances for them this football season and each show to be different. They goin' to be playin' numbers like Hello, Hello, Tunes of Glory, Do-Re-Mi, I Ain't Down Yet, and a pot o' others.

"Even though the band be just startin' to march this year, the director, Mr. Carl Paarmann, says it be imperative that the band not use its newness as an excuse for doin' a poor job. He says there be a lot of keen, I say keen, competition. I been watchin' and he's done all but march the formation and precision drills for them. From now on it's up to the lads and lasses, says he."

"I been hearin', Morty," says I, "that Cheryl Kelsey '64 be the new drum majorette and Jill Schroeder '64 be the new drum major.

Stephanie Grant '62 says that it'll be awful hard for 64 of them to act as one when marchin' and playin' at the same time. "That's why they're marchin', Morty," says I. "Practice makes perfect."

"Now," I says, says I, "does you understand why the band is here, Morty?"

"You know why it, Abner," says Morty. "Imagine me watchin' history takin' place right in me own back yard."

## Clothe the Naked

The girls' clothing class sews polished-cotton skirts, aprons, and baby clothes, but not for themselves. Sewing for others is a good way to use the leftover material and benefit others at the same time, they feel.

"Mission work makes them think in terms of other than themselves," explained Sister Mary Loretta Cecil, BVM.



"GO TO THE END OF THE HALL and take the elevator," spoofs Father Amborn during registration days, as he helps out Sister Mary St. Catherine, BVM, in the bookstore during the first days' rush.

## AHS Is Closing Its Doors.....

What's new at Assumption?

Teachers . . . students . . . mixed study halls . . . books . . . and lunch periods are all numbered among the changes. But there's even more that's new.

If you guessed "brick walls" you are closer to the truth than you imagine. The unused doors in the courtyard halls have been replaced by brick.

The new teachers are discussed in an editorial on page five.

At the entrance of the driveway is a new sign, a gift from the class of '61. Another remembrance of the former seniors is the school name in blue on the front facade. The money for these gifts was raised in the annual spaghetti dinner.

School now starts with the "Pledge of Allegiance" before new classroom flags donated by the Student Council.

The Athletic Department also boasts new equipment. The practice field behind school now has a baseball backstop. The Booster's Club plans to purchase goalposts for the football season practice.

Fr. Robert Amborn summarized the summer's activity when he reported, "We kept the grass mowed, dug up the dirt around the shrubs, and cleaned the school from top to bottom."

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by Mike McCarthy

Sister Mary Laurent, CHM, on her way to the main lounge, came upon a lone freshman standing in the forbidden corridor between the two wings. After Sister inquired about his presence in the corridor he responded, "Well, our teacher mistakenly let us out of class early and all the guys were standing in the hall making noise so I came here to stay out of trouble." There's a guy who went out of the frying pan right into the fire

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Ever since the advent of the nectarine, science has never stopped trying to cross vegetables, animals and minerals. This type of science being my hobby, I've come across a new discovery. All you do is cross a jar of honey with a can of mush and the end result is "Money."

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Taking a simple picture can sometimes pose many expected problems. When a few of the male student council members showed up in Bermuda shorts to have their picture taken, Fr. William F. Wiebler decided that the rest of them should also wear Bermudas. So when Dan Brookhart '62 came walking down the hall, Father Wiebler instructed him to go quickly to the locker room, procure a pair from one of the football players and return.

When the Bermuda-clad student council members were finally lined up they came up with one too many. Father exclaimed, "There are too many student council members here." Dan Brookhart bashfully said, "Father, I'm not on the student council." The surprised priest asked, "Why were you coming down the hall?" "I work here during the summer," replied Dan.

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"The world will beat a path to the door of the one who invents a better mousetrap," so the saying goes. These words are verified by Sister Mary Diana, BVM. Sister developed an enchanting hobby of mousetrapping while studying chemistry at Notre Dame this summer. Although she spent most of her time setting traps, she could never catch her sly roommates. One night Sister was awakened by the gruesome sound of a mousetrap closing. It seems the trap failed and the mouse was flopping around the room dragging the trap. Sister spent the remainder of the night in another Sister's room. When the cat's away the mice will play.



# One Letter Changes Vacation to Vocation

by Pat Nemmers

The price for a vocation is a small vacation.

While Assumption students were enjoying the three summer months of vacation, the Sisters, priests, and lay faculty were busily preparing for another nine months of teaching.

Sister Mary Ann Esther, BVM, girls' principal, with 11 other Sisters, spent many hot summer days organizing files and classifying books in the library. They cross-catalogued all files to make it easier to locate needed books and reference material. After an eight-day retreat at Lake Villa, Sr. M. Ann Esther prepared for the school year by working out schedules and arranging study halls.

"On crutches" sums up Sister Mary Cecil's position this summer. But handicapped or not, Sister attended an eight-day retreat in Iowa City, returning to AHS to help in the library.

Summer is the time when teachers become pupils.

Sister Mary Lidwine, BVM, for example, took a student seat at Notre Dame University studying English. Theology student Sister Mary Leon, BVM, studied at Marquette University.

Assistant principal of the girls' division, Sister Mary Helen Regine, BVM, made Clarke College her home for the main part of the summer. After teaching during the day, Sister made use of the college pool in the evenings. Ten days of her "vacation" were spent in Haywood, Wis., at Two Spiders Lake, relaxing completely from the duties of

teaching.

Many people will vouch for the great amount of work accomplished this summer by Sister Mary Loretta Cecile, BVM, who solicited donations for the BVM Building Fund. Sister also attended the YCS Study Week at St. Ambrose College.

In the boys' division summer also brought work. To provide a satisfactory class schedule was the aim of Fr. Edmund Weeg, principal. The two weeks Father took off for relaxation were spent teeling off on the golf courses in Wisconsin. Exhaustion was, perhaps, the excuse used for those scores!

Swimmers at Lake Storey could often find Fr. William Stratman enjoying the water during his free time. Father studied a new physics course at Knox College, Galesburg.

Notre Dame homed Fr. Gerald Kraus and Fr. Arthur Perry. Father Kraus studied the "Civil War and Renaissance" during his stay while Father Perry worked toward his masters degree in education.

At Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Sister Mary Claire Marie, CHM, took two courses in microbiology and two zoology. The National Science Foundation Grant awarded Sister these courses on the basis of teaching background and the number of students taught. Approximately 10% of the candidates receive scholarships.

"It was a lot of work," was the phrase Sister Mary Ann Marita, CHM, used to describe her summer work at the offices of the Lay Apostolate in Davenport, Sister was an assistant to Fr. Louis

Colonnese. From Aug. 14-18 Sister attended the Regional Study Week at St. Ambrose and the YCS Study Week at Atchison, Kansas from Aug. 21-25. The last eight days before school Sister spent in retreat at Ottumwa Heights College.

The summer vacation brought Miss Marian Thornton back to AHS as Mrs. Gene Young. A three week vacation through Canada and the New England states was followed by a week at home in Minneapolis. After the seven-day honeymoon trip, Mr. and Mrs. Young returned to Rock Island.

Many grueling hours were spent this summer by Mr. Carl Paarmann as he and half the band practiced marching four nights per week for six weeks. After this, Mr. Paarmann vacationed at Devil's Lake, Wisconsin.

Summer jobs were held by AHS coaches. Mr. "Babe" Derouin worked at Alcoa and when he obtained a day off, he and his family visited relatives. With a team record of 20 wins and 11 losses, Mr. Ron Mellen's team boasted second place rating in the semi-pro baseball league. As a brick-mason, Mr. Raymond Ambrose worked on the new Long Manufacturing Co. on River Drive.

Mr. William McAfoos is the proud father of a baby boy born this last summer. A special Assumption football suit is being made according to the baby's measurements. As speech teacher, Mr. Joseph Maher worked this summer to enter the Little Six Forensic Conference. He also intends to enter the Catholic Diocesan Speech Contest.



PONDERING OVER THE book list, freshmen Peggy Parker and Mary Jean Goetsch wonder where to begin.

A NEWCOMER HERSELF, Sister Mary Meneve, BVM, explains registration to three freshman girls who are as puzzled as she.





# Pioneers Yield Frontier; Knights Check Kings

Friday night, Sept. 29, the Knights entertain Clinton in the first home game of the season. Although Clinton is rated as an up-and-down team, they sport two of the area's finest backs in Roger Bentley and Lee Brothers.

Brothers was one of the top ten rushers in the Mississippi Valley Conference last year as a junior. Quarterback Bentley, teaming with veteran end Jim Law, forms a strong passing threat.

The Knights opened the season with an 18-0 romp over Alleman. They were in control right from the start. On the fourth play of the game Bob Hammill '62 rushed 53 yards to pay dirt. The Pioneers never recovered.

A spirited Assumption defense continually repulsed Alleman. Only once did the Knights penetrate inside the Knights' 30 yard line. The defensive line, anchored by seniors Stan Maliszewski and Bob Deluhery, and juniors John

## Win Tourney

Classes at Assumption closed last June, but the activities of AHS athletes did not stop then.

Mike McCarthy '62 is always talking about the great golf team that Assumption is going to have next year. Mike seemed to be out to prove his point this summer for he started off the summer in great fashion by defeating a Central student, Dave Carroll, and capturing the J. C.'s golf tournament. Close behind was fellow senior Bill Flynn who pulled down third place.

Later this summer Mr. McCarthy went against future Assumptionite John Kehoe and easily won the Country Club junior division championship.

Other athletes making their marks were Clarence Mason '62 and Phil Pash '64 who participated in Colt League Baseball. During league play their team ran up 16 consecutive wins in earning the championship. They also played on the league All-Star team which won the district tournament.

Burke and Jack Hogan, held the Pioneers to 68 net yards rushing.

The Knights tallied their second score in the third period as Karl Noonan '62 went over from the four yard line. Mick Trinite '62 intercepted a pass on Alleman's 22 to set up the score.

The rampaging Knights grabbed their final score in the fourth quarter. Once again the defense made it quarter. Mick Trinite pilfered another Alleman pass and scampered 53 yards for the final score.

Pre-season pickers had called the Knights' defense the big question mark. Now it's an exclamation point, Coach Ambrose feels.

After Clinton the Knights have six games remaining on their schedule. On Oct 6 Assumption travels to North Scott. The Lancers, who have five returning starters, developed into a strong running team late last year. Their backfield is rated one of the fastest in eastern Iowa. It is led by Dan Paulsen and Terry Carsten, the state indoor quartermile track champion.

On the following Friday the Knights host Wahlert of Dubuque. For the first time in three years the Golden Eagles will be without the services of their all-state quarterback Pat Dowd, who was lost through graduation. Wahlert's seniors lost only one game as sophomores and are expected to be particularly strong in the line.

On Oct. 20 the Knights go against cross-town rival Davenport West. Even though West isn't considered too powerful, they sport one of the most explosive backfields in the area. All-state candidate LaVerne Allers and letterman Jack Beardsly form the backbone of the team.

Muscatine visits Assumption Friday, Oct. 27. This is Assumption's Homecoming game and as usual the team is expected to be up for this one. As letterman Bob Hammill '62 put it, "That's one we really want."

The Muskies have only two return-

**"KNOCK US DOWN, three balls for a quarter," dare four Assumption backfield men Mick Trinite '62, Steve Miller, John Burke and Jack McMahon '63.**

ing starters. They are led by letterman quarterback Mike Reuckert.

Following that, Assumption entertains Burlington, one of the pre-season favorites in the tough Little Six. Burlington has 13 returning lettermen, however, Rick Rambo is the only lineman. The Greyhounds' speedy backfield is dominated by quarterback Larry Mills and Fullback Tony Boher.

**The Knights close out their season with a home game against defending state champs, Bettendorf. Going into this season Bettendorf has not been beaten in 27 consecutive starts.**

Anchoring Bettendorf's strong line are returning starters tackle Gary Lane and end Curt VandeWalle. The Bulldogs backfield sports the state's number one place kicker Dick Castro, who plays the spinback in Bettendorf's single wing offense.

## Frosh Learn; Sophs Apply

Herds of red ants — clad in red pants. This is the impression Assumption's freshman and sophomore football squads give as they charge to practice.

Coach Ron Mellen has the mammoth task of whipping 60 freshman boys into a team. They must be taught the fundamentals of football, and formed into offense and defense.

The annual Freshman Jamboree was held Sept. 23. The play of each boy was watched and from the four teams the regular squad of 35 has been chosen. The frosh play an eight game schedule.

Forty-five sophomores comprise the nucleus of what Coach Babe Derouin expects to be a "spirited squad" which will improve last year's record of 1-4-1."

Defense is receiving the most attention. "This seems to be their major weak point," asserts Father Perry. "Fine passing should strengthen the little Knights' offensive attack, which is otherwise weakened by lack of size and speed."







# Sportlite

by Don Miller

The Knights opened this football season with one thought in mind — tighten the defense. Few people realize that even though they sported a mediocre 3-5 record last year, the Knights were one of the more potent offensive clubs in the Quad-Cities. In six of their eight games last fall the Knights scored the first touchdown. However, after that they couldn't stop their foes, and get the ball back.

While statistics show the Knights were near the top in the Quad Cities for average gain per play, they also reveal that they finished next to last in average number of plays from scrimmage per game. "We've got to concentrate on stopping our opponents and getting the ball. I'm sure very few clubs will be able to stop our backs," asserts Head Coach Ray Ambrose.

During football practice, Dan McGee '62 casually glanced toward the convent. He did a quick double take as he spied a dark clothed figure, hanging from a pole. No, one of the good sisters hadn't been so disturbed by the team's work that she hung herself . . . it was just a habit hanging out to dry.

We've observed that Assumption's football players still have some fight in them after practice.

It looks like a mob scene in front of the locker room. It's a mob and we've seen them a bit violent . . . all they're after is a glass of lemonade.

This priceless commodity is controlled by St. Vincent sixth grader Jimmy Derouin. For the second year the son of Assumption's basketball coach marches to the gym with his wares. "It's a good way to make spare money," Jim says, "but sometimes I have a little trouble controlling some of the squad."

You never saw a half a gallon of lemonade go so fast as when Bob Deluhery '62 hits the place. At ten cents a glass, Bob gets rid of Jim's overhead pretty fast.

Assumption's Booster Club got off their annual ticket drive a little different this year. On Aug. 29, the football

team pushed back afternoon practice to 6:30. Then the first two units put on game uniforms to parade before the club.

After practice Karl Noonan '62 modeled the new equipment for the Boosters at their regular meeting. We understand Karl looked real pretty.

Junior Don Chenoweth has been laboring industriously to get the football programs ready for the first home game Friday night, Sept. 29. The student body will snap these up to include in their Knight Beacon portfolio.

We salute Mr. Stanley Fiese, president of Assumption's Booster Club. Besides devoting a lot of his time to the club, Mr. Fiese has been at almost every football practice, observing and noting progress. As letterman Clarence Mason '62 feels, "It's good to know Mr. Fiese takes a real interest. He is what I'd call a Booster Grade A." What more can we say but hats off to Stan Fiese, Booster Grade A?

## Top Secret Sisters Become "Mata Hari's"

by Elaine Feeney

Assumption's convent should be listed as Top Secret Territory, because strictly confidential material could be obtained by a Blue Devil or Falcon trespasser.

Since the Knights' football squads no longer practice at St. Ambrose College, the sisters have a new pastime. In the dining room or on the patio, they have BVM ringside seats at the practice sessions.

Recognizing the familiar plays easily, the nuns notice the advancement of some players. Praise and spurring words of encouragement can be heard when a play or kick is successful.

Assumption nuns are proud of the team and wish they could watch the boys play a game. For this reason, every scrimmage is especially enjoyed by the practice-only fans.

Morning, noon and night, the boys perform their strenuous calisthenics. On one

"WE'VE GOT YOUR numbers," reply varsity cheerleaders Mary Ann Soenke and Suzie Wells '63, Evie Panther, Barb Lewandoski, and Louise DeZorzi '62.

## Duck Tells All

If quacking is heard from the gym, it's from duck waddling, which is part of the girls' physical fitness exercises.

Soccer for upperclassmen plus speedball for the freshmen and sophomores will keep the girls busy.

On Tuesdays and Fridays Mrs. Marion Steckel assists Mrs. Gene Young by taking one girls' class outside or in the balcony, while another class remains in the girls' section of the gym.

The first intramural sport will be volleyball. Tumbling, ping pong and a special activities co-ordinator are new on the GRA agenda this year.

And, as the girls will be saying, "Quack, quack quack quack quack, quack, quack, quack quack, quack, quack quack quack, quack, quack quack quack quack quack, quack quack quack, quack, quack, quack quack quack . . ."

occasion a sister became so engrossed that she was caught practicing pushups right along with the varsity.

While cleaning, Sister Mary Diana, BVM, was scheming different ways for them to use their brawn and energy. "They could come in and help me move furniture," she piped.

"The team seems so eager out there in the sweltering heat," Sister Mary Leon, BVM, exclaimed. "We can see them do the same play over and over and finally accomplish the improvements the coaches want."

The BVM football fans assisted the Knight Beacon when photographer Bob Hill '63 snapped the football team in a formation of the letter "A." "Some of the nuns were keeping us straight for the picture by giving hand signals from their terrace, showing us which way to move," comments senior Erle Etzel.



## Cheerleaders Girls Rehearse

If you happened to be passing through VanderVeer Park early some summer morning you may have seen odd, curled creatures jumping around on the gravel. These acrobats were not from outer space, but Assumption's cheerleaders.

Practice sessions were held from 7:30 or 8:00 am to 9 or 10 am. "Many of us had evening jobs so we had to get together in the morning," explains Pat Hogan '62 of the varsity reserve squad. Elaine Feeney '62, Mary Hart '62, Eileen Koestner '63, and Meg Sedlock '63 complete the group.

Bermuda shorts and comfortable sweatshirts made up the normal wearing apparel at practice. Many times the girls left their hair set, making a weird sight indeed. Visitors to VanderVeer conservatory often stopped to watch the girls' diligent drills.

The varsity group, consisting of Captain Louise DeZorzi '62, Barb Lewandoski '62, Evie Panther '62, Pat Maag '62, Mary Ann Soenke '63, and Susie Wells '63, often held their practices from 6-8:00 in the evening.

Each group met at least three or four times a week during August, although less often the two preceding months. Varsity and reserves got together occasionally to compare notes and polish techniques. "We plan to practice twice a week after school commences," observes Mary Ann Soenke.

"Cheerleading practice provided many strange occurrences," chuckles Eileen Koestner. There was the time an interested, elderly gentleman stopped his morning walk to give advice to the girls. The park maintenance men were amazed by the ambitious group. "Passersby were always inquiring as to the school we attended and adding their approvals and comments," recalls Meg Sedlock.

Mary Hart, while babysitting for a few of the other 15 children in her family, brought them along as spectators.

Any girl arriving early usually had to sit on a bench in the park by herself while waiting for the rest of the squad to arrive.

The method of selecting AHS cheerleaders was changed in '61. Rather than the student council voting in the final elimination, as was done in previous years, a more representative group including adults did the judging.

The new cheerleading uniforms, worn only for last year's tournament games, will be used this year. These consist of bright red pleated skirts, white sweaters with a red collar, a large varsity "A" and red leotards or knee socks.

In order to gain unity of appearance among the varsity squad, Captain DeZorzi explains, "We each had our hair cut shorter to make it easier for us during exciting games."

SETTING HIS SIGHTS on higher things in the newspaper world is Mike Quigley '62. Legs belong to senior editors John Crossen and Stan Maliszewski. Bob Hill '63 snapped the pix at the first staff meeting.



## Fable Predicts Assumption's Glory

by Mike McCarthy

Once upon a time there was a sleeping lion. He slept in one of the finest jungles which had two different kinds of plants in it. Gardeners hovered over these red and white plants to help them grow.

After three years, these plants grew so big that they pushed the lion out of bed. During this time, the lion's body had slowly matured and developed until he became a gigantic animal.

While he had been sleeping, other animals had ruled the jungle. Two animals, the bulldogs and the blue devils, had become kings. The lion was angry, so he set out immediately to track them down. Within a short period, the lion subjected both creatures. The lion was not satisfied with killing just these two animals. He was hungry.

Looking around for more food, he saw a huge warrior. The warrior had been king of his part of the jungle, so the lion immediately decided to kill him. He walked 60 miles to slay him, but only after a hard fight.

After such brutal killings, the lion was sought by many of his enemies. One of the enemies bent on killing the lion was a pigmy Indian, unheard of around the jungle. The Indian practiced archery on his own indoor range until he became an expert. Then one day he tracked the lion down and shot him.

For revenge, the next day the lion sought out the giant Mohawk tribe and defeated them in front of a whole greenhouse of plants of all kinds. The Indian that shot him was killed later that night by a bobcat.

After all these killings, the lion decided to go back to his own forest. When he reached his home, all the plants and

gardeners were waiting to congratulate him.

He said to them, "Instead of sleeping for another three years and then working very hard to gain my prestige back, I am going to build myself up so I can remain on the top in everything: drama, journalism, athletics, scholarship, science, music and speech."

## Pilgrim Returns

Assumption has its own Peace Corps volunteer or, at least, it did.

During his pilgrimage to the Holy Land this summer, Fr. William F. Wiebler spent the night with a poor Arab family.

Although Father counts the visit as a highlight of his trip, his memory of the native cooking isn't quite as fond. The menu included boiled weeds. The priest reported that if the fare wasn't appetizing, at least it didn't make him sick. He was inoculated before he left.

One memory of his trip Father won't soon forget is his audience with the Holy Father in Rome, Italy.

While in the Holy Land proper, the AHS instructor offered Mass at the Crib, Calvary and the Sepulchre.

The trip wasn't all holy though. Father swam in the Sea of Galilee, the Dead Sea, and the Mediterranean.

The priest wasn't on an organized tour. He maintains the advantages are that if you like a place you can stay. Luckily he had no trouble with arrangements.

Father feels such a trip makes Scripture come alive for a priest. Regardless, he was glad to get home and back to school.





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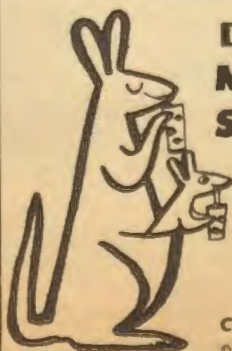
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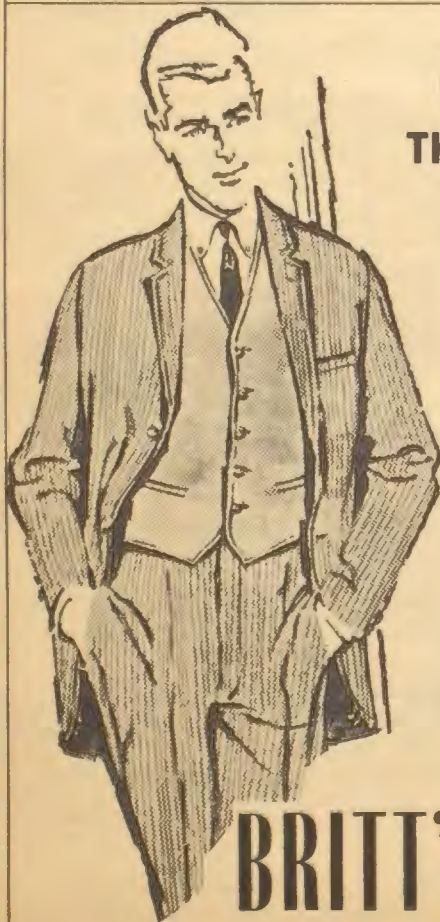
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# Seniors Eye Teachers' Day

Have you ever imagined yourself in the place of Fr. Charles Mann, Sister Mary Diana, BVM, or Mr. Ron Mellen? Then plan to attend Prospective Teachers' Day at Marycrest College, Nov. 9.

Following registration at 8 am, area students interested in teaching will be indoctrinated by Dr. Carl Fanzen, Educational Consultant at Marycrest, at a general assembly.

Roseann Laake '61, who observed a ninth grade speech class at JB Young Junior high last year commented, "If you have an interest in teaching the trip gives you an idea of what teachers go through. You look at teaching from their point of view."

The prospective teachers will return to the college for a general assembly conducted by Mr. Robert E. Owen, principal of Bettendorf high, followed by group discussion. At this time a panel will answer any questions that arise.

Since the program lasts the entire day Fr. Edmund J. Weeg has installed a selective method for choosing Teachers' Day candidates. He will send only those who showed a particular preference toward teaching during career week. This Father explains, greatly diminishes the number participating.

**AN UMBRELLA** saved the day at the first showing of the band uniforms — Jill Schroeder '64 at least protected her bearskin shako.



# KNIGHT BEACON

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## Fresh Elect New Councilers

Tomorrow, Nov. 8, will be a day of politics and decisions for the freshman class as they choose their Student Council representatives for the present school year.

In the boys' division five candidates have filed nomination papers for the presidency. Joe Barnes and Steve Huyette, two of the hopefuls, have previously held top offices in their respective grade school civics clubs and both stress that they will work to keep freshman and school spirit at the highest level possible.

Programs of various intramural sports is the platform of Tom Stratman who feels "physical fitness is important to make any class a success." Jim Cawley and Norman Ash who share the opinion that freshmen want more class activities, would give this major concern if elected.

Competing for the office of vice-president are Steve Gadiant, Tony Navarro, Cluster Graham, and Greg Shouley. Tom Kearney and Bob Panther oppose each other for the post of secretary. Treasurer nominees are Tom McGivern, Ken Otto, Bill Kurtenbach, John Peterson, and Gary Thompson.

In the girls' division elections are run a bit differently. From the initial number of candidates, four girls are chosen from each of the four freshmen homerooms. This gives 16 candidates. Through individual homeroom balloting the field is narrowed down to one girl from each homeroom. The freshmen girls then vote on these four remaining candidates and the one receiving the most votes is declared president, the second high vote-getter vice-president, and so on.

At the time of this writing, 16 candidates remain. The girls and their homerooms are: Sue Carroll, Jill Myers, Mary Hartkop, and Teresa Schwab — D-1; Jean Cavanaugh, Barbara DeZorzi, Barbara White, and Mary Woolheater — D-3; Mary Irene Gimbel, Mary Jeanne Goettsch, Margaret Parker, and Patricia Wells — D-4; Holly Fitzsimmons, Kathy Frater, Kathy O'Toole, and Diane Shaff — D-5. Only one girl from each homeroom will be elected to a council office.

As a reminder to freshmen, Dave Huyette, senior boys' president and chairman of the elections, says, "Every freshman should take these elections seriously; it is important that the best qualified people be elected."

## Wanted: Broom Balancers

"Can you dance, sing or balance a broom on your nose? If you have any talent at all then don't be shy! Try out for this year's variety show!" states Mr. Joseph Maher, director.

This fourth annual school event will be held Tuesday night, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. Student activity books may be used.

Prospects for this year's show include Louise DeZorzi '62, who is thinking of doing a monologue and Vicki Kruse '62, who will sing. Senior Jim Bowe and Dick Lindorfer '64 are still seeking a third partner for their combo, and Sue Riedel '64 plans to dance.

Juniors Suzie Wells and Eileen Koestner plan to do acts similar to their performances as finalists in the "Quint-Cities Miss Teen-Age America" contest. Suzie presented a monologue and Eileen sang.

Last year's variety show, Give my Regards to Broadway, had many outstanding acts such as the Votroubek brothers and their guitars, who brought down the house with their enthusiastic renditions.

Another outstanding act last year was Vicki Kruse and company singing "Do-Re-Mi" from The Sound of Music.

Sister Mary Leon, BVM, and Mr. Maher originated the first variety show, Have Show—Will Travel, three years ago.



# Teachers Expound Views on Your Money

What course does your paycheck follow — from the till into the fire, or from the till to good use?

YCSers attending the regional Study Day at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Oct. 8, delved into this widespread subject.

At the first assembly, **Money, Jobs and You**, Mr. Gerald Simpson of the Williams Junior high faculty, Davenport, explained the important part that teens play in the American economy. Not only do they have more money than any of their predecessors, he continued, but they also greatly influence the spendings of their parents and relatives.

Economical teens of today are faced with the problems of petty snobbery, monetary care of the car, and the financial burden of higher education. A great deal of money, Mr. Simpson feels, is apt to give the teen a superior attitude toward others. At the root of this snobbery is the age-old evil of conformity.

The YCS Study Day speaker approves of teenagers owning cars provided it is a necessity, the person is capable mentally, physically, and emotionally, and there are definite rules laid down concerning its use.

"One point was made that several of us didn't agree with," asserted Judy Noah '63. "Mr. Simpson said a car should not be used for single dating. During our group discussion this met with a great deal of controversial de-

bating." Mr. Simpson cleared this point by adding that the rule was adapted from parents' views which were not necessarily his own.

Mr. Simpson approves of jobs as long as they are necessary and do not interfere with schoolwork. He quoted a statistical report stating that the average student can work from 10 to 12 hours a week without affecting his grades.

Earning money, he went on, gives a sense of responsibility and valuable experience in money management to the student. He suggested that more teens set up a budget.

"Money and jobs," Mr. Simpson concluded, "will be of value only if you use them in serving mankind for the honor and glory of God."

Leaders Jane Molyneaux and Derek Williams '62 and Gwen Gaukler '63 then

helped to lead the assembly in group discussion. Mr. Simpson was most pleased that the groups had enough "interest to disagree with me."

Following Mass, celebrated by Fr. Louis Colonnese, speaker Fr. John Boyle "put in his two cents worth" and more as he urged YCSers to **Get Your Money Worth**. He attempted to alert them to carefully choose a college that does not shortchange the student in his development as a lay apostle. It is imperative, Father stated, that the student realize all his subjects are preparing him for this important state.

Yet, according to Joe Nahra '63, "Religion courses in most schools are not aimed directly in forming the lay apostolate. You study the sacraments but you don't learn how they can be applied in daily life."

## Fair Lures Student

An AHS senior, David Huyette, will attend a science conference in Chicago Nov. 8-11. Since Dave had already started his Science Fair project research, Fr. W. F. Stratman selected him.

The 1961 National Youth Conference on the Atom, sponsored by the Light and Power Companies of the United States, will be held in the Palmer House hotel. Dave will reside there with expenses paid during his stay in the Windy City.

This conference is expected to draw approximately 600 students and several hundred teachers. Topics will concern present activities in atomic research. Many noted scientists will give lectures and lead group discussions. According to Dave, "these should be very educational and well worth the time spent."

During the four days Dave will spend in Chicago he will attend these lectures and take notes while he observes. The conference is not a school and no tests will be given, the young scientist notes. However, on his return he will inform physics classes of his experiences.

The conference will also include a trip through Argonne National Laboratories. Argonne is an atomic research center known all over the world.

Ed Soenke '61 was Assumption's representative last year.



"GET READY, get set, go!" cries Mary Jo Steinmann '65 as she bangs the garbage lid to start the three legged frog race.

## Math Turns Modern at AHS

The math program at AHS this year underwent quite a change in both the material taught and the manner of teaching. Assumption is one of many schools to revise their math program in accordance with recommendations made by the Commission of Mathematics of the College Entrance Examination Board.

The change has been brought about by the vast progress of scientists in the last twenty-five years.

This year's elementary algebra students will be instructed in contemporary mathematics. Manipulative skills will not be neglected, but they will not be the center of study as in the past.

The geometry program will be consolidated into one year in which the

fundamentals of plane, co-ordinate and solid geometry will be taught. The commission recommended that the number of theorems should be drastically reduced, culminating in the study of the Pythagorean theorem at an early stage.

Juniors will study advanced algebra and modern algebra much as they did last year. Instead of a semester of trigonometry and a semester of solid geometry, the senior math course this year will include: study of trigonometric functions; sets; relations; exponential, logarithmic and circular function; probability and statistics.

Besides having these changes, the girls' division joins the boys' in offering general math to freshmen who do not take algebra.





# Freshmen Flaunt Costumes at Frolic

Have you ever tried eating soda crackers and immediately inflating a balloon until it bursts?

If you were costumed and in Assumption's cafeteria on Oct. 18, you would have.

It was Vin Motto's favorite Freshman Frolic antic. Phyllis Stanger, who borrowed a neighbor's fur cape for the evening explained, "it's hard to gulp the crackers down and immediately pop a balloon."

Chris Kriesa solved the problem and became a notorious balloon popper. His secret was a straight pin.

The newspaper masquerade was most enjoyable for Chris Young and Susie Jackson. Dan Hancock crawled on his hands and knees to the judges and won first place as a newspaper poodle.

Chuck Luther needed some help on

his costume. To acquire the necessary peach fuzz beneath his nose, he started using vigoro he claims.

Passing a hard boiled egg on spoons anchored in the mouth, was the game popular with the most fans.

"Our egg rolled off the spoon. We had to chase it across the floor," quipped Greg Miller. "It was the most dangerous game of all," Mary Hartcop felt.

Steve Van der Horn said he thought it was fun, while Jim Schepker agreed just, "because we dropped it!"

In the class of '65 Tom McGivern and Sally Stoops were found to be the champion jump ropers.

Generous Santa Fr. William F. Wiebler Claus attended the Frolic and gave Mike Stolmeier his costume. Mike was the mystery man of the night because he wouldn't tell anyone his name. Sister

M. Cecil, BVM, was mystified by the switch.

A loss of co-ordination brought many tumbles during the three-legged race.

For the costume judging, Steve Murray concocted the funniest outfit. It seemed like his trousers were slipping.

Faculty judges Sister M. Diana, BVM, and Sister M. Claire Marie, CHM, were surprised to find out the pumpkin really was Rene Wagner. She and John Reyes, who displayed himself as a Mexican caballero, were awarded the best couple title.

Bob Sternberg had the most original costume. He represented two co-institutional students.

Wrapping a ball of string around one's waist, hitting a ping pong ball off a pop bottle, a balloon throwing contest and group singing rounded off an evening of pleasure.

Seniors Tom Nolan and Kemper Wilkins and Sally Cogan and Mary Motto, both sophomores, made sure the freshmen had an ample supply of donuts and pepsi.

Ann Hart '64 and Jim Keefe '62 were in charge of the Frolic, while junior Mardi Gaydos was mistress of ceremonies

Tickets were handled by Betsy Ward '64.

The novel games were supervised by junior Barb Lewis, sophomore Jan Adamsky and Dan Brookhart, a senior.

**FIRST YOU PUT** your two feet close up tight, and then you stumble all over, and that's the secret for success at the Freshman Frolic. Only the middle sections are missing in these two views of the three legged race.

## TV Presents Teen - Views

Ever hear of the Teen-Views Telecasting Company? You will.

Teen-Views is a newly organized Junior Achievement Company that has a television program as its product.

After securing \$200 capital, the company will purchase time on WOC-TV. Part of this time will be sold to various firms in and around the Quad-City area who are interested in this type of advertising. Time will sell at \$50 a minute.

Out of the 166 students who applied for this WOC-TV sponsored company only 32 were accepted. Teen-Views is the largest of the Davenport JA companies.

President Gunter Hess, a Central senior, secretary Ann Humphrey '62 and treasurer Joe Nahra '63 have help in sales advisor Mr. Richard Upp, business advisor Mr. Wayne Blicke and production advisor Mr. Robert Gifford.

Sales manager Van H. Schwartz, a

Central senior, art director Suzie Wells '63 and stage manager George Koenigsaecker '63 are the other officers.

Starting Nov. 5 and continuing through the following 13 Sundays, "Teen-Views Presents" will be featured from 12:15 to 12:30.

On the agenda will be school news and sports from North Scott, Bettendorf, Central, West, and Assumption high schools.

In order to put on this 15 minute program the staff will edit the script, operate the cameras, act as cue men, appear on the program and take either the criticism or praise for the completed show.

Tim Maher '63, Denise Hoie '63, and Pat Westphal '63, all members of Teen-Views, agree that although the work will be difficult, the experience gained will be invaluable in the future.





## Cross 'n Crown

# What-Give God My Ring?

By John Crossen

Would you give your letter sweater?  
Or maybe your ring?  
To a girl, yes, but to God?

Jack Hogan '63, Janice Montford '65, and 60 Assumptionites who attended the YCS Diocesan Study Day recently at Mount Pleasant, could tell you that is what YCS students do during an offertory procession . . . for they offer themselves.

Books, letter sweaters, rings, etc. are symbolic offerings of their lives, their hobbies, their ambitions and desires. This is not a new movement devised by the modern-day Church but is an old custom which is being rejuvenated . . . equivalent to the ancient offering of bread and wine.

Certainly AHS supported this offertory but we can't get our students to attend the daily Mass, much less involve them in such liturgical affairs.

In fact, as Coach Ray Ambrose remarked the other day in homeroom, Fr. William Stratman must really get a good feeling saying Mass for four or five students out of the thousand-plus student body we have here at Assumption.

"We — the student body — are a team," husky right-tackle Don Miller '62 said at the pre-Wahlert game pep rally. And, as a team we've got to stick together, because if one of the team misses his assignment we won't score.

As the senior boys have heard in Fr. Marvin Mottet's religion class, our vocation in life right now is being good Catholic students. This is what God asks of us. If you can, name a better way than to start off your day with Mass to fulfill this vocation.

When the attendance at daily Mass increases, then we can start leading in these liturgical affairs such as experienced by our students at the Diocesan YCS Study Day.

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## Priest Defines 'Apostolates'

Nyahn — who wants to be an apostle of Christ? It's too hard!

But it's easier than you think. You must, however, fulfill the requirements set down in Fr. John Boyle's definition at the Mt. Pleasant Fall Study Day on Oct. 8.

"An apostle is a Catholic who realizes there is a job to be done in making the world what Christ wants it to be, and who wants to do his part as the Church directs," Father stated.

We can come to know this job by observing classroom, family, and neighborhood conditions. Then we must judge with the mind of Christ in forming an action which will alleviate the problem.

The Church directs us in the apostolate of Christ through different specialized organizations such as the Young Christian Students and Sodality groups.

Popes since the time of Pope Leo XIII have stressed the need for workers in the field of the lay apostolate. Pope John XXIII in his latest encyclical, *Mater et Magistra* (Mother and Teacher), pointed out this important role of the Catholic today.

The student apostle teaches others "how to live and how to die in Christ," according to Fr. Raymond J. Nogar. Moreover, Father indicates, he must do this "with his own life." In other words, the lay apostle spreads Christ's teachings through his own example. This will involve suffering — perhaps through being misunderstood.

Therefore to become an apostle of Christ we must recognize the problems of the world in which we live and then solve them in the light of Christian principles.

Now who wants to be a lay apostle?

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# Nine Apostles Roam Halls of Assumption

You would be rather surprised if you were to come across the 12 apostles roaming the corridors, yet Assumption has 9 apostles in its classrooms.

These apostles are the Assumption lay faculty. As PAVLA volunteers, in the age of the lay apostolate, are necessary in Peru, likewise the lay faculty is essential to Assumption.

Though there may be an abundance of priests and Sisters on the teaching staff, students need the lay faculty. The majority of students will follow the lay vocation and therefore it is to the laity that we look for example. The course of our lives in later years may depend on the example the lay members set before us today. For this reason they are on constant display.

**Why, then, do they chose this "spot-light" vocation? Mr. Ray Ambrose, realizing the position he is in, attempts to instill in his students his own competitive spirit so as to make them prime citizens.**

Likewise Mr. Carl Paarmann, after trying the professional and commercial aspects of music, finds the only satisfaction he can get is in culturing interested individuals to a better outlook on music.

The lay faculty should not, however, be disregarded in religious guidance. The Christian life is reflected in the lay state as well as the religious. Noting his preference for parochial over public teaching, Mr. Joseph Maher explains, "I chose teaching to further the education of the Catholic youth of our country in order to make better leaders. By teaching in a Catholic school I have the freedom to teach what I believe."

**Assumption lay faculty do not serve without sacrifice. Although their salaries are sufficient, they do not equal the wages of public institutions.**

Yet less pay does not mean less work. The lay faculty oversee many extra-curricular activities. This summer Mr. Paarmann toiled long to prepare the marching formation for the band. During six weeks prior to the opening of school he drilled his band in preparation for their marching debut.

Because they are wholly responsible for coaching sports, (with the exception of Fr. Arthur Perry's activities) Coaches "Babe" Derouin, William McAfoos, Ron Mellen, Tom Sunderbruch and Ray Ambrose spend countless hours in after-school practice, perfecting and polishing plays in their athletic areas. Mr. Ambrose also finds himself carrying the good word of Assumption to different speech engagements one night of the week.

Besides her full gym schedule, Mrs. Marian Young is responsible for all girls' intramural sports. These

activities, carried on after school hours, are duties more appropriate for the lay faculty. The Sisters are grateful to Mrs. Young and Mrs. Ben Steckel for monitoring these activities.

You needn't look to Latin America for examples of lay missionaries — they teach many of your classes.

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## To School Bi - Cycle?

Why are a sophomore and junior boy scared to bring their bikes to Assumption's parking lot? Instead of taking them to school, they hide them in the bushes across from Assumption. We've seen them.

The general trend of thought concerning riding bicycles to school is that it is strictly for the grade schoolers. Is this thinking right? Of course it is not, for even in our large universities a very large number of students ride bikes. Notre Dame is one of these schools. In fact, Illinois University has a special thru-way system in which there is a sidewalk for walkers, a street for cars, and an inbetween for bikes.

There is in fact nothing wrong with the idea. It has advantages over walking and stimulates physical development. According to America, "there is more to the physical fitness program than what we used to call 'gym'." In other words we cannot rely just on our P.E. classes for exercise.

Assumption, though, has taken steps in the bicycle field. Mr. William McAfoos, Phys. Ed. instructor, rides his bicycle to school regularly. But he is not scared like the rest of our students. He parks it in the coaches' office. The reason for his riding is that he has authority and is not intimidated by student conformity.

The coach decided to ride his bike when his wife started to use the car. Not liking to walk too much, he turned to the next best thing, the bike. He comments that it is helping him rapidly regain lost muscles.

From Mr. McAfoos' example we can readily see that a popular figure with enough initiative can start, as well as reverse, a trend. He can, because of his influence, change the thinking of others.

Mr. McAfoos has got a bad problem at the present. The coaches' office is no place to park his bike. If the right people would take it upon themselves to construct a bicycle rack for Mr. McAfoos, he would greatly appreciate it. This could be used not only by Mr. McAfoos, but by other students bringing their bikes to school.

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PERHAPS ON THE verge of a great biological discovery are sophomores Betty Flynn, Charlotte Gusta, Leah Cox and Pat Rudy as they peer into the murky liquid of their exhibits.

## Shifty Eyes Make Measurement

by Jane Wells

Hold a pencil a foot in front of you and look at it first with the right eye closed, then with the left. Notice the shift in the position of the pencil. This shift is called parallax.

But for the girls' physics class parallax meant more than the shift of an object's position when viewed from different spots; it meant a shift of classrooms from the lab to the football practice field.

With parallax viewers under their arms the girls followed Fr. William Stratman outdoors to the first spot for the experiment. As the girls lined up their viewers to find the distance to a light-post, Sue Schwarte '62 became extremely excited — not by class but by the grasshopper which had hopped down her neck. Sharon Williams '62 kindly removed the source of her annoyance.

Taking enormous meter-length steps Jane Mumey '62 began pacing off the distance through the half inch mud to check her calculations. The traces of dirt on seniors Pat O'Toole and Jane Neuhaus's shoes testified that Jane wasn't the only one to travel through mud to the next measuring point.

After figuring the distance to a telephone pole, the second distance to be measured, Jane Molyneaux '62 approached Father Stratman with the results of her calculations. Receiving only a smug smile and a shake of the head from Father, as a last resort Jane began to compare her answer with everyone's, even senior Evie Panther's.

At the third measuring position Pat Maag '62 ran into trouble. As she measured her ten meter base line with a meter stick she found it's hard to measure over, under, or through an evergreen. Donna Carpenter '62 was also

having trouble, getting senior Barb Lewandoski to lend her the meter stick.

After Betty LaFayette '62 had figured out the distance to the third significant figure and the two slow pokes, seniors Mary Hart and Elaine Feeney had almost finished their measurements, Father decided it was time to go in.

Windblown and full of knowledge the girls walked back to the lab. Faintly they could hear Mary Saunders '62 mumbling to seniors Diane White and Julie State, "I finally understand something."

## Homecoming

## Knight Conquers Terrible Foe

by Mary Ellen Trollan

"Why, George isn't afraid of a little old monster, are you George?" they all asked after telling me I had been chosen over the other Knights.

I wasn't really afraid, except that when those AHS seniors, led by Pat O'Toole and Dale Conard, put me together, they didn't exactly make me of lead or steel.

But being the good knight that I am, I was determined to make a good showing on the night of the big fight, Oct. 27.

Mounting my white charger, Nightmare, I galloped over to receive the colors of my fair lady, Mary Hart '62, who presided over the festivities this year. The members of her court, seniors Evie Panther, Pat Maag, Lori Neufeld and Janet Barrett, surrounded her and as I turned Nightmare around. I heard them whisper "My, what a brave Knight."

One hundred yards separated me from the monster. As we started across the field towards each other, I saw that he was really a giant muskrat. Rumor has that he came from somewhere down

## Field Trip

## KB Acquires Asian Agent

Do you know anyone who is entering President John F. Kennedy's Peace Corps? Mrs. Ann Ertl, AHS cafeteria manager, does . . . her son, Ken.

A graduate of St. Ambrose College, Ken became interested in the Peace Corps while he attended the State University of Iowa.

When Ken signed up, he was required to take a series of rigorous tests. "They were much like college board tests," he noted.

Before he can go into the field, Ken will be sent to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor for an intensive training program in customs and language.

He had originally been slated to go to Southeast Asia, but recently in a change of plans he was reassigned to teach economics at a University in Thailand (of The King and I fame).

When Ken was a student at St. Ambrose Academy, and later at the College, he worked on the sports staff of the Times-Democrat covering local football and basketball games.

During a Knight Beacon interview in his mother's office, Ken received a telephone call from Walt Hamilton. Walt wanted Ken to meet him out in front of the school for an interview in KSTT's mobile cruiser, "Big Red."

Mr. Ertl also consented to become the Knight Beacon's second foreign correspondent in order to give the student body firsthand information on the Peace Corps.

the big river and that each year he challenged the Knights to a duel.

As we drew closer, I saw that Musky was put together just like me. This wouldn't be so hard after all!

I aimed my lance at the monster but he sidestepped me. Wheeling Nightmare around, I charged again. This time I hit him in a soft spot and he fell with a thud.

I took aim for the fatal blow and hit in the middle. Bellowing, Musky took off for home thoroughly defeated.

"Yea, George, Yea," screamed the crowd as I rode in triumph to the sidelines. Then 11 Knights trotted onto the field to do battle with 11 other muskrats but I didn't stick around to see how that fight turned out.

"No sir, Nightmare," I said, "our place is right here on this senior float until tomorrow night when I receive my reward at the big dance."

Yep, they promised me one whole dance with that charming Mary Hart '62 and you can bet I was there with my finest armor on.



# Did You See a Telephone Pole Go By?

by Barb Niemeyer

If you come across a student intently analyzing a telephone pole, chasing grasshoppers, or peeking into a linotype machine, don't be alarmed. He is merely taking advantage of an increasing popular and effective facility for learning — the field trip.

More and more teachers are taking their students out of the classrooms to witness their subjects under natural conditions. Just as a dictionary prints a picture rather than elaborates a full page of description, so a good teacher conducts a field trip.

Fr. W. Stratman's physics students, armed with parallax viewers, invaded the practice field, measuring and remeasuring distances to telephone poles and lamp posts. One of the participants, Sue Schwarte '62 declared, "This trip enabled me to better understand what the text was trying to put across."

One sophomore English class was brought to an abrupt halt as Phil Pash and Jim Lonergan diligently chased a wasp among the Venetian blinds. They were eager to add it to their insect collection assigned by biology instructor Sister Mary Claire Marie, CHM. Later, when the class begins the botany unit, Sister plans to extend her classroom to the field behind St. Vincent School.

On Sept. 29, junior journalists toured the Times-Democrat building to witness the events in the life of a city newspaper. This large-scale "visual aid" illustrated to the journalists how a story was born in the news, sports, society or city department, or, when nationwide, the UP machine. The students watched the story grow in the composing room until it reached maturity and was flung across the shrill sounding presses.

Psychology students can expect to tour an area mental institution as part of their activities. Dave Offerman '61 was much impressed with the tour he took last year.

There were about 1700 patients in the East Moline State Hospital at the time of the tour. The majority of the patients were senile, ranging in ages from 45 to 96.

Two patients were interviewed by the head psychologist while students of Fr. Louis Colonese's psychology class were present. The first was a 36 year old woman. During the interview she stated that she had a masters degree in a variety of subjects ranging from champagne to jet piloting. If an idea was presented, such as in asking "do you own a plane?", she would immediately reply "yes." Because of their background in class the students were able to understand that she was making these exaggerated claims to gain prestige.

A woman psychologist took the students to an interview with a 38 year old man who had been in and out of

mental hospitals for 20 years. As soon as the interview began, he stated that he was just as sane as anyone present, then became irrational. When asked about his marital status he explained he had been married to both Queen Elizabeth and Elizabeth Taylor.

On the hospital tour, led by Mr. Robert Young, a Negro psychologist, the boys visited many different divisions. They were first taken to the dormitories of the main building which housed approximately 75 women. From there they went to the Physical Therapy building where they saw pictures which patients had drawn or painted. From these pictures psychiatrists analyzed and diagnosed the patient's problem.

From the Physical Therapy division they moved to the "rush" building and

## Staff Drinks at 100% Proof

by John Lepetit

Why the "boom" in the coke industry? Who's responsible for this upsurge?

KB advisor Fr. William F. Wiebler has spiked the proofreading. Proofreading, a very tedious job in the newspaperman's life, has become a "take-a-chance" project.

Many times when the galleyproofs come back, the linotyper has made some mistakes in spelling, paragraph structure, etc. In proofreading, the staff member must detect errors. Father has set it up so that undetected mistakes cost the victim a coke. On the other hand, if there are no mistakes or if all errors have been corrected, Father is in dutch one prize coke.

So far in the senior staff, only two

to the smaller buildings which the senile patients inhabited.

In summation the students found the tour quite depressing. Other than listening to the radio or watching television these people were idle. The boys further felt that curious people should not be shown through the hospital to ridicule the patients. However, they did feel that their own trip, preceded by lectures and class discussion, did enable them to better understand the mentally disturbed. Their experiences greatly heightened interest in their textbook problems.

Still in the "talking" stage is another proposed field trip. Under the guidance of Sister Mary Lidwine, BVM, the senior girls' modern math class hopes to visit one of the large corporations, such as Bendix or Alcoa, and observe the functions and operations of the electric computers.

boys have been caught: John Lammers '62 and John Crossen '62. But, to counteract this gain, since the program has gone into effect, Jane Wells '62 and Joe Duffy '62 have collected.

Father Wiebler, this year, has been trying to get stock in Coke Company. I wonder why?

**EXPLAINING THE construction of a science project to Bob Sternburg '65 is Chris Friemel '65. Jack Bowlin '65 also constructed an exhibit of the phases of the moon.**







**SHOWING THAT THEY'VE** got something besides new uniforms are a few of the male members of the band with their trumpets.



**"I KNOW IT'S HERE** some place," wails Nancy Hunt '62 to Ann Humphrey '62 as they go through boxes in search of uniforms.



**DOING ONLY HALF** a job of trying on his new band uniform is Bill Witchman '62.





Strike up  
the Band!



↑  
"I'M NOT NERVOUS," giggles Stephanie Grant '62 to Howard Mentzer '62 as Jack Schroeder '64 shows that he IS.

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MAKING A BANG-UP ending for the Assumption band's first appearance is drummer Nancy Hunt '62.

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HEADING THE PARADE through the band's victory line comes center Bob Deluhery '62.





# Scholars Scan Opportunities

by Claudia Townsend

Why is the parking lot packed on a week night? Is there a play or concert scheduled? These might be the questions asked by a stranger going past Assumption about 7:30, Oct. 12.

It was not a play, but the first casting for the future actors and actresses of the world. The builders of tomorrow were acquainting themselves with colleges at Assumption's College Night.

Assembled in the cafeteria, representatives from 34 Catholic colleges were prepared to answer questions concern-

ing the types of schools, requirements, tuition, housing, scholarships, and other aspects of college life.

Sister Mary Anna, OP, from Rosary College in Chicago, Ill., feels that the chance for personal talks with prospective college students and their parents is the only way to really find out what they need and want. Getting to know the other counselors and their schools was another big advantage, she thought.

"Very beautifully organized," was Sister Mary Anna's opinion of the arrangement of schools. She explained that with all the representatives in the cafeteria, parents and students were given a chance to roam around and see all the colleges, rather than having conferences with selected groups in the classrooms as in previous years. Having College Night in the evening may seem an inconvenience to the visiting Sisters, but Sr. Mary Anna assures that they are well taken care of by the Assumption Sisters. Parents are more able to come in the evening and it is important that they be present, she added.

Seniors were most seriously interested in College Night since their high school days are quickly passing. Joanne Cook '62 believes that "College Night gave me and I know many others, a chance to find out about different colleges and what they were offering. Although I enjoyed listening to the representatives from Duchesne and St. Mary's Colleges, my mother seemed particularly interested in Marycrest. An unexpected invitation to visit the Duchesne campus came from Mrs. Richard Ryan, who has three daughters who graduated from there."

The present is not too early for juniors to begin investigating colleges. Jo Luther '63 discovered, "When I attended College Night, I went in thinking I knew which college I was going to, and left thoroughly confused. So many colleges had excellent courses in the career I plan to follow, that I was lost after seeing only a few. Maybe next year I'll get straightened out. At least I have that advantage over the seniors. I recommend College Night to all incoming juniors because it's really enlightening and it sets you to thinking . . . maybe the first choice wasn't such a good one after all."

Senior grades, students learned, are not the only ones that count. Grades from freshman, sophomore, and junior years are important for acceptance into college. Commented soph Philip Andrew, "College Night gave me a good idea of what to work for in the next two years. The representatives pointed out what subjects I should pursue in high school as well as financial aids, requirements and grades necessary for entrance. Since I couldn't find out everything about all the colleges that night, the free literature will help later on."



by Mike McCarthy

An idea toward the solution of President Kennedy's physical fitness problem has recently been advanced. The person you see peddling his bike down W. Central Park Avenue every morning is not a freshman but Coach William McAfoos, our physically-fit coach and teacher. He has solved the compact transportation vehicle problem. It builds you up physically, takes up practically no space, solves the speeding ticket problem and, best of all, requires no gasoline. No gas, just steam. (See editorial on page 24-25.)

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Fr. Edmund Weeg's remarkable memory was questioned recently by a freshman boy. It is the habit of the boys' principal to know all the male students' names. One day while walking down the main corridor, he saw a freshman coming down the opposite side. This certain freshman boys' name gave him trouble. "John?" he asked. "No Father," replied the puzzled freshman, "library."

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Here is the latest pun from Father Weeg via Fr. Marvin Mottet. "Why do Eskimos wash in "tide?" Because it is too cold to wash out "tide." No wonder seniors Dave Pyne and Kemp Wilkins groaned.

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A certain senior recently stated that he wanted his name in every issue. It seems to me that the only way he will get it in is through the humor column. "Goodnight, Dan Brookhart, wherever you are."

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Harlan Fournier's artistic skill was recently given a rigorous test. When it came time to spray-paint the word "knight" on the junior float, Harlan volunteered to do the job. It so happened that the electricity failed in the garage where they were making the float. But this didn't stop Harlan. He went right on painting. Finally the lights went on and everyone inspected Harlan's finished work. He did a great job except for one minor error — knights was misspelled.

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The Congo crisis, Laotian crisis, Algerian crisis, Berlin crisis, the Russian-American merry-go-round and quarter tests give me no alternative — "stop the world, I want to get off."

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CHORAL  
CONCERT  
Dec. 17  
Frosh  
Elections  
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VARIETY  
SHOW  
Nov. 21  
BAND  
CONCERT  
Dec. 7th  
Thanksgiving  
Recess  
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# 'Venturesome' Knights Go B'ar Hunting

by Pat Morrissey

89,937 . . . that was the figure on the speedometer of my 1949 Plymouth when I, Pat Morrissey '62 and two other adventurers, Bill Grothus '62 and a former Assumptionite, George Knight '62, left for Canada.

Our parents were doubtful if we would or could make it to the wilderness region of Kenora, Ontario, Canada. Our objective was to go bearhunting in this sportsman's paradise, 800 miles from Davenport.

On May 27 the three of us had gotten together to pack our gear for the trip which we had been planning for about six months. Each man was allowed fishing equipment, a high powered rifle, 50 rounds of ammunition, a couple of changes of clothes and the necessary camping equipment. We each took approximately \$65.

## Plenty of Pop

That next week until school was out went very slowly. Final plans were made. June 2 came and at 2 o'clock that afternoon I picked up the other guys. Each of us had a last minute item to add, such as food and the freezer chest filled with 30 bottles of pop which had

## Club Hobbles

One of the most popular organizations at Assumption is the Crutch Club. This club has one strict rule — members must be on crutches.

President of the club is Sister Mary Cecil, BVM. On March 18, Sister slipped on a piece of ice on the sidewalk and broke her hip.

During her prolonged hospitalization she was cheered by "the prayers, visits and cheerful get-well messages of the Sisters, priests, and the students of Assumption who were real morale-builders." Although she is now teaching five math courses and is a moderator of the Student Council, she is still a loyal member of the Crutch Club.

Another loyal member is Jim Kellenberger '63, who was recently elected treasurer of the National Honor Society.

However, while the Crutch Club gained several new members it also lost members.

Gene Carstens '62, who was a loyal member last year, resigned this year. Gene has now been fitted with an artificial leg which enables him to walk without the aid of crutches. The disadvantages, according to Gene, are that he cannot walk or run as fast as he wishes, it is slower getting around and at times rather clumsy when he is in a crowd.

Dan McGee '62 and Dick Braun '63, both members of the varsity squad, also resigned from the club. Joe Dulaniski '65 and Al Rashid '62 are new members.

been given to us (we drank 120 bottles by the time the trip was over).

The first day of driving we made it to the northern outskirts of Minneapolis, Minn. In order to save money we decided to sleep in the car, so about 10 pm I pulled over into the center section of a four lane divided highway. George slept in the front seat with all the loose gear; Bill and I attempted to sleep in the 5' wide back seat. Bill, who is 6'3", slept on the floor while I "attempted to sleep" on the seat.

This was bearable for about a half hour. Finally I got out and slept under a nearby picnic table, which didn't provide enough shelter to keep the dew off. Then, of course, about every five minutes a semi would roll by on the highway which was only about 15' from our "beds." All in all, it was a very enjoyable night.

## Reach Border

Next morning, which I thought would never come, we were on the road about five o'clock. By noon we had made it to the border at International Falls, Minn., and proceeded across the border at Ft. Frances, Ontario, where we planned to have lunch. I pulled up in front of a cafe and, just as George stepped out of the car, his brand new Stetson hat blew off and was run over by a truck. I think that spoiled his lunch.

After our first Canadian meal we went to the hardware store where we purchased our angling and bearhunting licenses.

The next 150 miles, the last leg of our journey, seemed like the longest, but was some of the most rugged and beautiful country I have ever seen. It took over two hours to drive the last 45 miles.

As soon as we arrived in Kenora, we located the grocery store and purchased some food for our next days' meals. Upon returning to the car we found a parking ticket on the wind-

ANTICIPATING THEIR return to the gridiron are crutch ridden Dan McGee '62 and Dick Braun '63.



shield — I had forgotten to put any money in the parking meter. We found the police parking and paid our \$1 fine.

After locating the Catholic Church for Mass on Sunday, we proceeded to the Tourist Information Center in order to get some directions and to obtain a forest travel permit, which gave us permission to camp on any unfenced lands and to build camp fires. The two girl clerks in the center, students at the University of Toronto, were perfect examples of English beauty and architecture.

## Pitch Camp

We then headed north out of town to find a camp site for the night. After traveling about 12 miles on a road that would make any street in Davenport seem like a turnpike, we came to a river where we decided to fish. As we laid on the bank, a fox appeared on the opposite bank of the river. Bill let go with a couple of shots from his 30-40 Krag, but the fox went over the hill and that was the last we saw of any shootable game on our trip. An hour later we headed on up the road until we came to an old logging trail. We pulled in and discovered a large sawdust pile where we pitched our four man tent — right on top of the sawdust pile.

Next morning, after Sunday Mass, we grabbed a quick breakfast and drove out of Kenora on highway 601, which, about ten miles out of town, is a one lane, rutty gravel road. Twenty miles out I spotted an old, overgrown trail going off into the timber, which looked good for bear. George and Bill warned me against turning in, but I assured them that it was all right. We hadn't gone more than 30 feet through the grass, when the earth kind of gave away and the car sank into the mud. I couldn't get it into reverse or rock the car out because the engine pan and the transmission housing were sunk about four inches into the mud.

(to be continued)



# Sportlite

by Don Miller

Did you ever wonder where the placards come from? Or where those 500 megaphones and Homecoming pins came from? We did. With a little investigation we came upon a big surprise. It wasn't some rich alumni or the Boosters' or Mothers' Club. It's the Student Council. They're one group squarely behind the Knights. They jump at any idea to increase spirit. For instance, sophomore Pat Thompson made up the "Waylay Wahlert" slogan for the placards. John Burke '62 and Nancy Kearney '62 helped sell the Homecoming pins.

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Late in the North Scott game, the coaches were substituting freely. When the Lancers were ready to run, the Knights found only 10 players on the field. As the play started, Mike Quigley '62 came scampering on the field, just in time to run into the ball carrier. It seems North Scott doesn't usually block players on the bench.

Since it worked so well, the Knights should put one player on the field and send the rest when the ball is hiked. That ought to give the referees something to think over.

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The other day in gym, we heard foreign sounds from the feminine side of the curtain. At first we thought it was "quacking." But it sounded more like a football team than a flock of ducks. After some detective work we found that in their gym classes the girls now do their exercises to cheers. The idea originated in Jane Mumeys senior leader class. The girls' senior class president had just come from a student council meeting where the chief topic had been school spirit. She took it to heart and to the girls' gym classes.

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Jack Hogan '63, as practice drew to a close and the players lined up for their nightly wind sprints, came limping noticeably in front of Coach Sunderbruch. When asked what was bothering him, he painfully replied, holding his leg, "Gee, Coach, I've got an awfully bad attitude." Don't worry though, I cleared it up rather quickly with a good swift kick in the . . . attitude.

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Enroute to their 33-14 rout of North Scott, having just scored a touchdown, Assumption lined up for an extra point. Back to hold the ball for an unidentified extra-point kick was Mick Trinite '62. On the count the ball was snapped, sailing right over everyone's head. But somehow the unidentified birdbrain kicking didn't see the ball go by. Looking with anxiety toward holder Trinite he asked, "What happened?" Trinite turned and matter-of-factly said, "The ball just went over your head, be calm. Take your time and follow me."

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This month we salute Mick Trinite

'62. Mick moved to Davenport from Ohio in the middle of his junior year. He came as a highly touted football prospect. Everyone took over a wait-and-see attitude. They have seen!

Mid-way through the season Trinite led Assumption's high ranking Knights in total rushing yardage, rushing average, passing yardage, total offense, and punting average. Incidentally he tied for the team leadership in scoring.

## Frosh Excel

The Little Knights of Assumption have represented the name in fine fashion, says Coach Ron Mellen, since they have advanced untarnished to the half-way mark in their season.

Starting the season off Oct. 3, the frosh took an easy decision over the Bettendorf Bulldogs by a score of 19-7. Nine days later the Little Knights truly made Muscatine "Mellen land" by steam-rolling Muscatine West 32-0. Stand-outs in this contest were Denney Hammill, Joe Kellenberger, and Warren Mason. Coach Mellon hopes that "these boys continue to perform in the same fashion throughout the season as their older brothers have."

Oct. 17, Coach Mellen's charges did something that no other Assumption freshman team has ever done! They defeated Alleman in good style 18-0 and continued their winning ways by defeating a strong Clinton 7-0.

As of the fourth game the frosh remained unbeaten and had out-scored their opponents 76-7.

## Homerooms Volley

Finals for the girls' volleyball tournament will be held tomorrow, Nov. 8. Senior homeroom E-3 is a top contender. E-6 won last year.

During October and the first half of November each homeroom has been competing in the tournament. Student refs have been officiating and most of the games have been run without faculty assistance.

Other intramurals scheduled for this year are: badminton, basketball, tennis, softball, golf and recreational games. Each sport is under the direction of a student sponsor who is responsible for scheduling officials and referees.

Last year's tennis sporthead, Lynn McSweeney, announced tennis awards in October. First place went to Kathy McDermott '63 and second to Louise DeZorzi '62. The delay was caused by the tournament being carried into the summer.

Girls' bowling commenced in October with a total of 10 teams and 40 girls. The teams bowl each Wednesday at the Midway Alleys. Gloria Mendoza, a veteran of three years feels that, "bowling is one intramural sport anyone can take part in." Jackie Mulligan '62 agrees.

There has been a temporary addition to the teaching staff in the gym. Mrs. Gertrude Ehlers will be taking Mrs. Marian Young's classes till about Thanksgiving.

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"IS THERE A DOCTOR in the stands, or perhaps a couple of managers with a shoestring?" moans gridder Jack Hogan '63.







## Knights Seek Bulldog Yelp

Assumption will close out its first winning football season Friday Nov. 10 against Bettendorf. The Bulldogs invade Munny Stadium with the reputation of being an up and down team.

They have two returning starters, Gary Langan and Curt Vande Walle, from last year's state championship squad. A few key injuries were responsible for some early season defeats. But "with a Coach like Parsons and tradition like they have, you can always count on a rough game," feels Head Coach Ray Ambrose.

Bettendorf spouts one of the most potent backfields in Eastern Iowa. It features George Hesse, Dick "The Toe" Castro, and highly rated sophomore prospect Steve Carroll. Carroll is the first sophomore starter at Bettendorf since All-Stater Dave Cox.

In running up Assumption's best record the team has featured an explosive offense led by "Touchdown Twins" Mike Trinite and Karl Noonan. Not as well known but just as important has been the Knights' stout defense. The line has been especially rugged, anchored by such mammoths as seniors John Fiese, Ed Stolley, Mike Quigley and Barney Purcell, as well as juniors Tom Fennelly, Jack Hogan and John Burke.

### DAVENPORT WEST

The Knights ran into a bunch of upset minded Falcons on Oct. 20. They culminated a 5 yard march early in the second quarter when Mick Trinite streaked off tackle for eight yards and the first touchdown of the game. The all-important extra point was blocked. West then marched for their lone touchdown. The extra point was good. They led 7-6 at the half. The Knight's defense held West to only 45 yards rushing in the second half. While Assumption threatened many times they couldn't score. The last threat came in the final six minutes. The Knights took the ball

on their own 22, 78 yards from the goal. They then racked up 94 yards in gains but ended up only on the West 17. Five penalties were the big drawback. Rick Price ended the threat with an interception of a John Burke pass in the final minutes. The outstanding backs of the night were Laverne Allers of West and Mick Trinite.

### WAHLERT

The Knights smothered highly touted Wahlert 34-13 on Oct. 13. Mick Trinite and Karl Noonan scored two touchdowns. Trinite set up one of Noonan's with a pitch out after he had gone 30 yards. Noonan carried the ball the last 48 yards in the spectacular play. Jaok McMahon '63 tallied the last score. This was Assumption's fourth victory of the season, breaking the school record for most victories in a season.

### NORTH SCOTT

Early in October Assumption rolled past hopeless North Scott 33-14. Mick Trinite once again scored two touchdowns, one coming on an 89 yard gallop from scrimmage, the longest in Assumption's history. The Knight line was particularly impressive in this one, led by Stan Malizewski '62 and Bob DeLurhey '62. Seniors Karl Noonan and Bob Hammill and Jeff Gadiant '63 also scored in the win.

### DAVENPORT CENTRAL

The Knights suffered their first loss of the season against the Central Blue Devils. Central, ranked third in the state; jumped off to an early lead with two first quarter touchdowns. They tallied another in the second quarter and led 10-0 at half-time. The Knights shut the door in the second half; however, Assumption was unable to mount a sustained offensive drive all night. This was the first time in two years that the Knights had been stopped without scoring.

RUNNING INTO A little more trouble than he can handle in the Central game is No. 30, Al Rashid '62.

## Ball Bounces

Using basketballs instead of Halloween pumpkins, Assumption's basketball team opened practice Oct. 31. Some of the boys were still using footballs, however, and will not report until Nov. 10.

The Knights have only four returning lettermen from last year's state tournament squad. Leading this group is all-state candidate Karl Noonan '62. This will be Noonan's third straight season as a varsity starter.

Other members of this group are seniors Jerry Ketelaar, Dan Brookhart, and Mike Leonard. Six foot-four Ketelaar was sixth man last year, even starting a few games toward the end of the season.

Brookhart, a 5' 8" playmaking guard, is expected to be one of the team leaders. Leonard a 6' 3" forward is expected to take over Bob Schebler's vacated spot.

Coach Babe Derouin also expects to get a lot of action out of seniors Mike McCarthy, Pat Murray, Tom Nolan and Terry Thompson. Each of these were stickouts on last year's reserve team.

Other aid will come from the juniors up from last year's sophomore team. Last year's sophs compiled the best sophomore record in Assumption's history.

Standouts on the soph team were Mike Prochaska, the team's leading scorer, Steve Tullis, Jeff Gadiant, John Burke, and Jim Kellenberger.

Noonan, last year's third leading scorer, will lead the Knights in quest of their second consecutive winning season. Last season the Knights rolled up a 22-6 record including a third place finish in the state tournament.



## Epistle

# Dear Perry . . .

Dear Seniors,

This is a letter to the senior class of Assumption high school, the class I wanted so very much to be a part of. All of you should realize how lucky you are to have gone through four years of high school in one school. I have been in three. AHS holds for me the greatest memories of my high school years, however, and it shall always remain that way.

I remember the first day I came to AHS. I was scared; I felt like a stranger, which I was, and I felt as though nothing would go right for me. Fifteen minutes after I arrived, my fears left me. I was part of Assumption, and nothing since that time has made me feel any different.

When my homeroom nominated me for Student Council, how happy I was, how proud. When you honored me by electing me your treasurer, I experienced one of my many happy moments at AHS.

Everything we did at Assumption was a first. We started traditions and it was our class that led the way. We were — you are — the charter class of Assumption high school.

I remember so many things that we all started together: Drama Club, Variety Show, the Christmas Formal, the Faculty Christmas party, so many things that are now traditional institutions at AHS.

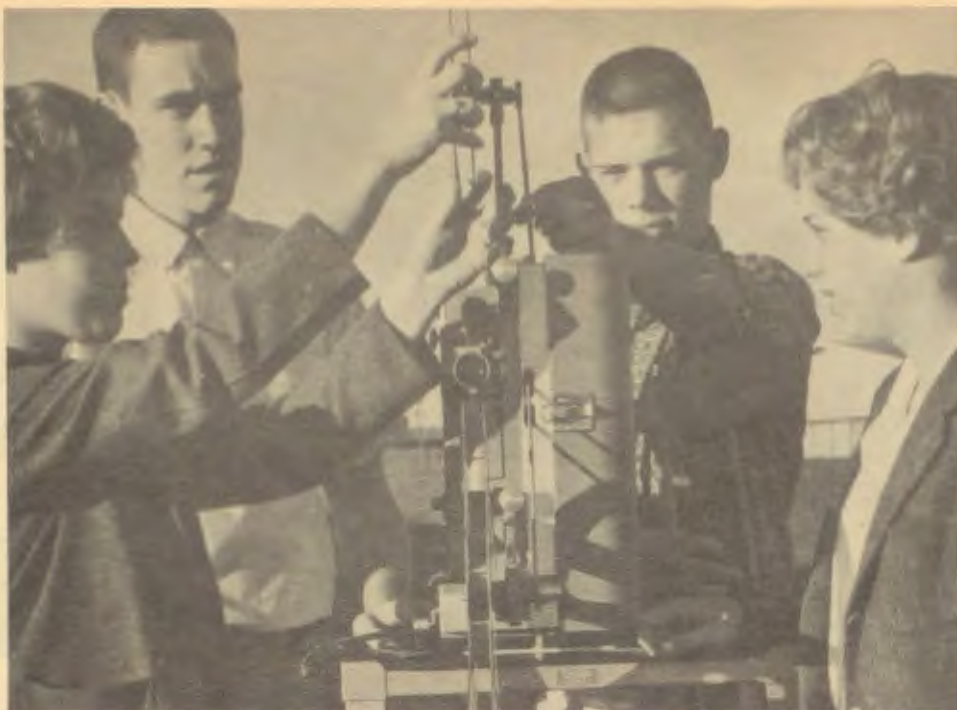
I remember so many going away presents from so many wonderful friends. I remember the unhappiness I felt when I left AHS for the last time. I remember my teachers, Sister Mary Diana, Sister Mary Leon, Sister Mary Francelle, Sister Mary Angele Therese, Sister Mary Cecil, Sister Mary Lidwine, BVM, Mrs. Marian Young, and many more.

To each one of them I owe a little bit of myself. I don't mean learning subjects. I mean the intangible things that really count, the things you can't learn out of books. To make them all feel as though their drilling me was worthwhile, I will mention one boastful fact — I am in the National Honor Society.

Please don't think I am hard-hearted and don't remember friends, because I do — more than you'll ever know.

I have done a very stupid thing! I went and lost my "Assumption Connections." Won't you all please write me a letter? I promise with all my heart to write faithfully. Please don't ignore a repentant friend.

My best to all Assumptionites,  
Patricia Perry '62  
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PROJECTING INTO THE future are newly elected Honor Society officers, Vice President Loretta Neufeld, President Mike McCarthy '62, Treasurer Jim Kellenberger and Secretary Sally Cogan '63.

## Aquanauts Enter 'Watery' Domain

by Doug Duda

It was a "watery blue" Monday morning and the prospect of having to suffer through another boring English lecture only made me slouch deeper in my seat. Hope was fading that time would mercifully run out before I fell asleep.

Suddenly I was aroused from my lethargy by the appearance of two strange beings. For a moment I thought some characters from outer space or the uncharted depths of foreign waters had invaded our second period senior English class.

When I convinced myself that my startled eyes were not playing tricks on me, I forced myself to scrutinize the scene more carefully.

It was with a sigh of relief that I discovered the "beings" were two of our own brilliant students — that inimitable and imaginative pair of aquanauts Doug Duda and Jerry Klimowicz, both '62.

Doug was rigged in a SCUBA (self-contained under water breathing apparatus) and Jerry was prepared to give a detailed explanation of its function.

Completely awake now, I riveted my attention on them and noticed the entire class was very interested. We listened intently and watched attentively as Doug, using his well proportioned and muscular frame to good advantage, demonstrated the use of various pieces of the equipment. Jerry exploiting his knowledge of the sport to the fullest, augmented the demonstration with well chosen remarks which gave us all a better insight into this increasingly

popular water sport.

They gave a concise explanation of every piece of equipment, how it was selected, donned, adjusted, and the purpose it served.

Somehow the boys gave us the impression that they were experienced in the art and knew well of what they spoke.

While interest was at a fever pitch, they explained that, cumbersome though it appeared, the equipment became weightless when submerged due to the phenomenon of displacement of an equal volume of water. (So says Fr. Stratman anyway.)

They elaborated on the cost of the items and after completing their lecture, they invited the class to ask any questions deemed pertinent, and gave a fine account of themselves in answering them all.

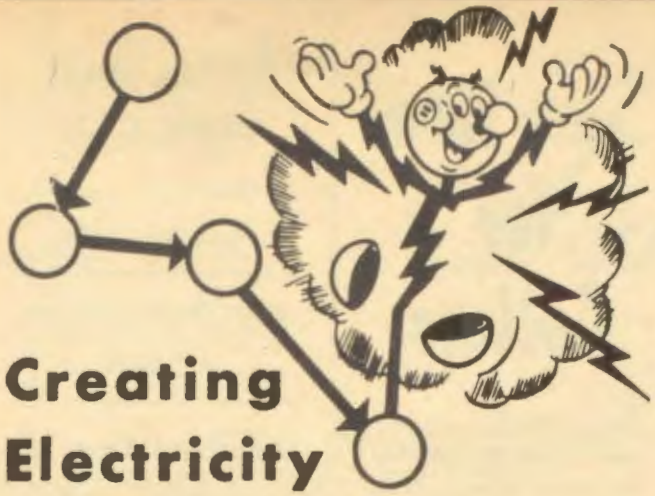
Bob Yoke '62 volunteered a description of his own underwater explorations. An intrepid adventurer, he has often gone to the bottom of a Bettendorf quarry.

It was evident that they were well prepared for their assignment. Everyone agreed that it was a highly interesting subject and one of the most exciting classes they had ever attended.

The greatest compliment to the deservng pair was that the class members were reluctant to leave and were truly sorry the period came to an end.

I think that many of them left conjuring thoughts of spending adventurous hours in the fantastic dream world of the mysterious under-sea domain. Exploring many fathoms under the surface they broke away for a time from the monotony of the usual school day.





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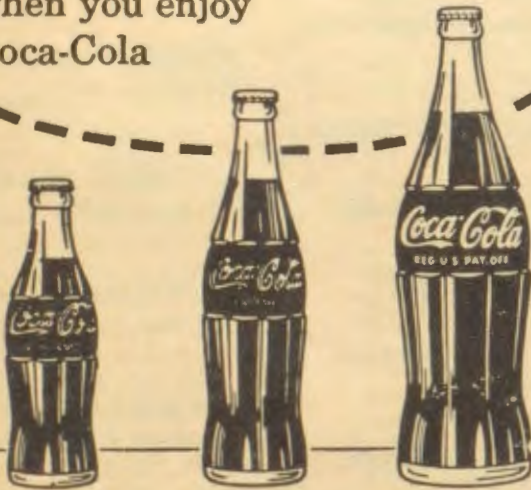
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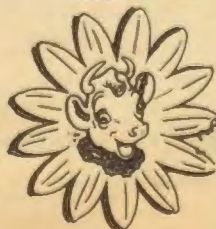
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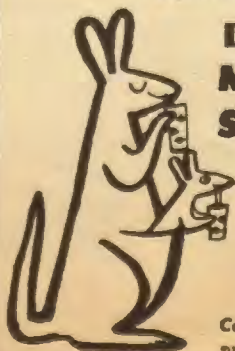
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Six contestants vying with pens and pencils are: Assumption, Wahlert, Alleman, Regis, Regina, and St. Mary's.

Each school may enter stories in each of five categories in the conference contest. Alleman will be in charge of editorials on the topic, "Materialism in Catholic Teens." Regina will judge news stories on the lay apostolate. Educational features will be sent to St. Mary's, and Assumption is in charge of the photography contest.

Entries in each field will be sent to the respective schools who will select qualified judges. To insure unbiased judgment, manuscripts will be coded.

Winning entries will be published in *The Journalist*, the publication of the conference, with biographies and pictures of the writers.

*The Journalist* will also contain statements from editors of each paper outlining their individual policies and explaining the function their paper serves in their particular school.

Distribution of *The Journalist* will be made in February, Catholic Press Month, to the students of the participating schools.



**TONY CHERNETSKY '64 and Mary Ellen Federson '63** light an advent wreath similar to those in homerooms throughout the school. Daily, Student Council and class officers have been lighting the wreath in the chapel corridor. Santa Claus has been banished to page 43, as you will see when you turn the page.

# KNIGHT BEACON

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## Teachers Acquire Servants

An apple for your teacher will be the goal of each homeroom Jan. 4, 1962, Assumption's initial Teachers' Day — the Epiphany Party.

At 7:30 am the celebration begins in the chapel, with the Mass stipend offered by the Student Council for the intentions of faculty members.

"During school hours Janet Benson '63, Tom Eischeid '64, Gary Hunt '65 and Gloria Brewer '62\* should check to see that all students turn in homework assignments promptly to help their teachers have a pleasant day," says co-chairman Mary Motto '64.

Juniors Jim Peiffer, Claudette Short, Peggy Schwerdtfeger, sophomores Stuart Hoover, Tony Murphy and Bob Coelln '62\* can promote courteous manners by carrying their teachers' books, while freshmen Jim Cawley, Mary Atkinson, Mary Kay Dudek, Rosemary Pauli '64 and Candy Cox '62\* aid the faculty by correcting homework papers.

Teachers' Day ends with the annual Student Council-Faculty Party, but this

year the agenda is different. Partners will receive prizes by winning the Progressive Christmas Bingo games. Each faculty member will receive an Epiphany present from the Student Council.

As planned, the entertainment will feature a solo by Mick Trinite '62, sophomores Mary Coyne on the piano and Janice Adamsky on the accordion. Group singing will be led by Fr. John Boyle and Fr. Arthur Perry, while Sr. Mary Meneve, BVM, and Sr. Mary John Therese, BVM, accompany them.

Boys and girls on the Student Council will bring cookies, mints and nuts to serve with the coffee and punch refreshments.

Co-chairmen for the event are: seniors Kathy Ceurvorst and John Stoker and John Burke '63.

\*Please insert your own name.

## Proposal Initiate Party?

"We want to send the seniors off from Assumption with something to remember us; something all of them can enjoy," stated Fr. Robert Amborn, director, in announcing plans for a senior party rather than the traditional Junior-Senior Prom.

This summer the pastors met to discuss various topics concerning the school and its social activities. They all came to the conclusion that the Junior-Senior Prom was not fulfilling its original purpose.

"The purpose of a prom," Father Amborn told the *Beacon*, "is to honor the senior class and to give them a memorable send-off. In the past only about 20-25% of the senior class attended. This is but a minority. The conclusion is evident: we must not take away the prom, but substitute an activity that will interest more students."

Junior and senior class officers met with faculty members to discuss a solution to the problem.

"At first we were all against it, but after dwelling on the subject for awhile we finally saw its advantages. It's not going to be a Junior-Senior Frolic as many of the students have labeled it. We actually don't know what the affair will consist of, but we would appreciate any suggestions that might come up," says Jerry Ketelaar, secretary of the senior class.



# Will The Real AHS Please Stand Up?

Why can't Assumption be more like Assumption? Though only half our size, Assumption high school of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., is installing one of the newest and most effective facilities for teaching — the language lab.

The lab's effectiveness corresponds to its method of teaching. For instance, a recent *Saturday Evening Post* article emphasized the fortune of the children of a certain international roving ambassador. Though the family remained in one country only a few years, the children left speaking the language fluently.

An analysis of this episode confirms the theory that the old grammar technique of teaching languages is "old hat." Instead of drilling on conjugations and sentence structure, the modern linguist learns through repetition — the fundamental principle of the language lab.

Many AHS Spanish students are confronted with

## *Squares, Cubes Erect Box*

"What's wrong with a mixer?"

"Nothing, except it's what we always have. Why not a box social? It'd be something different — and a lot of fun!"

This conversation illustrates the typical conservative attitude of Assumption students. We are too "set in our ways" to try something new — simply because it is new.

Before Homecoming, many complained about having the dance in the cafeteria. "What was wrong with the place we used to have?" they argued. Yet, students were pleased with the decorations and atmosphere created in the familiar dining hall.

When the Student Council announced last year that the Frosh Frolic was to be a costume affair, many freshmen frowned. "What do they think we are anyway — babies?" they wailed.

Students want Assumption to have its own traditions, yet they are unwilling to start them.

One tradition which we could inaugurate is a box social. The Student Council, the senior class, or some other organization could sponsor the affair as their money-making project.

Girls would pack scrumptious lunches in boxes and decorate them with crepe paper and ribbons. The rest would be up to the boys. All they would have to do is bring their money and empty stomachs, bid on the boxes, and meet some good cook.

This would provide an excellent opportunity for students to get to know their classmates, earn some money for their club project, and start a new tradition at AHS.

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a similar problem. They understand the pronunciation of their teacher but cannot understand a native speaker, as Alfredo Omiste '62. The language lab tends to break this barrier by injecting the voices of various native interpreters.

By the standards of this new system of education, AHS is far behind the times. Unlike the children of the roving ambassador, we don't have the opportunity to travel abroad. But we do have the opportunity to attain the next best thing. Why not take advantage of it?

This is where the seniors — the leaders of the school — can step in. Each year it is the custom to toil on some class project in order to raise money for a school gift. This year let's make it a language lab. True, signs and lights have their places and needs, but AHS is an academic institution — let it be said that the first four year class contributed to academic standards. We can leave a remembrance that will benefit our predecessors as well as recall our memory.

Up to date, AHS is the only area school, junior highs included, that is not equipped with a language lab. Alleman high has overcome the financial aspect with a simplified version, including earphones, tape recorder and record player. Also available are portable labs that can be transferred from one room to the other. With such a wide variety available, we have no excuse!

Que' dice Vd?

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## In God We Trust

by T. E. Edwards

*Why? Why? Why? — Is God so  
Angered with us that He cannot  
Give us peace? We cannot go on living  
Without freedom; let us have freedom.  
Freedom, Freedom, came cries from Berlin's angered  
people.*

*What is life without honor?  
What is life without peace?  
What is life without freedom?  
Free Berlin! Free Berlin!  
Who has God appointed to give them freedom's return?  
Let all Americans carry this task as one.  
Let us never negotiate out of fear, but let us never  
fear to negotiate.*

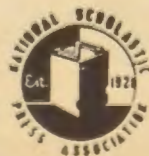
*Unite, Unite, for together we shall live or die.  
Onward then, Onward, press  
Berlin for freedom's return;  
What blocks our way we shall unmercifully burn;  
Glorious, Glorious, Glorious Americans;  
Marching to regain what belongs to all men;  
If there be a time, if there be a place,  
This is the time to liberate their race;  
Onward, Onward, pressing in God's due course;  
To regain their freedom without further remorse;  
Now it is said, to Russia's dismay,  
How those Americans won freedom in wonderful  
array:*

*And to assure you; — they did; God's way.  
Victoire! Berlin est prise!*



**KNIGHT BEACON**

*"As a Beacon in the Night"*



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**TAKING 2ND PLACE** to the advent wreath, bringing yuletide cheer, is Santa Claus Mike Stolmeier '65.

## Humor Accents Depression

The raid Tuesday, Nov. 21, was a complete success. All 63 members of the "Roaring 20's" variety show cast were caught and hauled in paddy wagons to the station.

Al "Capone" Rashid '62 and his gang of seniors — Bob Deluhery, Tom Bivens, Steve Kellenberger, Terry Thompson and Dan Brookhart — gave the "coppers" a run for their money when they wildly started shooting and bolted for the auditorium's many different doors. But since the moon was bright, Al's luminous white suit proved fatal. He was captured at once. The others soon surrendered and were led away by undercover agent Mike Barry '63.

Four members of the cast were charged with "bringing down the house": Barney Purcell '62, well known mobster, gangster and flirt; Miss Lulu Jones, alias senior Jane Wells; singer Mick Trinite '62; and Dick Bender '62 — a man with a growing problem.

Others were charged for disturbing

# Monastery Intrigues Seniors

Steve Kellenberger '62 leading morning and night prayers at New Melleray

## Santa Claus Plays Cupid

You'd better hurry . . . there are only seven shopping days 'til Dec. 27, the Christmas formal. Scott Clark will play for the affair in the Assumption cafeteria from 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Seniors Bill Gehlsen and Louise DeZorzi both have the right idea. They did their shopping early.

When Louise accepted Bill's invitation he crossed off the top item on his list. Ironically, Louise crossed off her top item at the same time.

Then came the real shopping. First Louise found a dress, not in a store but in her sister-in-law's closet. "It's white net ruffles over pink satin with a pink chiffon sash," she sighed as she went on to the third thing on her list, accessories. Well, to tell the truth, Louise hasn't finished all her shopping yet.

Meanwhile Bill bought the tickets, put in a request for the car, and started saving his money for dinner after the dance. Bill received help from Louise on deciding on a corsage. She tactfully told him, "Anything you like, Bill." He likes pink roses.

This finishes off their lists, but how about yours? Remember, only seven days left, no time for window-shopping. If you don't have a date yet, you'd better get busy.

the peace, inciting a riot, gum chewing, bootlegging, being out of uniform, and carrying concealed weapons. Mary Ann Tawney, Cathy Pauli, Kay Werthmann '65, and Rosemary Pauli '64 could be heard asking the desk sergeant "Tell Me Why."

Judy Leslein '62 wanted to "Make Believe" nothing had happened and Mary Lynn Wahlig, Liz Wadle, Mary Goettsch, and Patty Wells '65 were wishing they were down "By the Sea." The police finally reconsidered and released all of them on bail so they could attend school the next morning.

Mr. Joseph Maher, director of this "roaring" show and one-time teacher at Assumption high school, who was charged with contributing to the delinquency of minors, received many hand shakes and a money tree before his release.

The spectators just roared . . . for 20 minutes.

Abbey? No, this isn't fiction or a look into the future, or is it?

Nov. 24-26 the annual senior boys' private retreat was held at the Trappist Abbey outside of Dubuque. Steve was chosen to lead prayers, Bill Grothus served Mass.

The retreat began Friday, at 8:15. Retreat master Father Ansgar gave the first conference in which he welcomed the boys and spoke of the main objectives in life. The boys were then assigned rooms in which they retired for the night.

Saturday came very quickly: they arose at 6:15. After this early start the boys participated in Mass and ate breakfast, before a conference in which Father explained the different degrees of grace.

Retreat masters for this year are two Servite Fathers from Milwaukee, Wis.: Fr. Lawrence Calkins and Fr. Joseph Fitzgerald of Mt. St. Philip Monastery. Juniors and seniors will attend retreat Jan. 23-24. Freshman and sophomore retreat is on Jan. 25-26.

After rosary, another conference, and the Angelus, the boys ate lunch. They ate like kings! The monks served them homemade bread, roast beef, different vegetables, applesauce and other homemade goodies. They toured the farm and the monastery buildings, and visited the bakery and the monks' cemetery.

Conferences, spiritual readings, and visits to the Blessed Sacrament filled the afternoon. Supper at 5:15, looked forward to by John Stoker, Dan McGee, Bill Flynn, and Kemper Wilkens, was followed by another conference and spiritual reading. Lights went out at 9:45 — a 15½ hour day!

Don Yegge '62 who felt the trip well worth the time, said, "It seems as if the monks have attained as near as possible perfect happiness. They seem always to have a smile on their faces."

## Band Defrosts

Assumption's first marching band — minus cold feet, frost-bitten hands, beet-red noses, and football field — marched the audience through precision drills at the Dec. 7 band concert.

States Mr. Carl Paarmann, band director, "It's quite a shock for the band to realize that blaring is no longer required in order to be heard by the audience."

Clad in their new blue concert uniforms the band set the pace with numbers like **Tunes of Glory**, **Burst of Flame**, and **Golden Eagle**.



## In Chicago

# Boy Scientist Seeks Atom

(Editor's Note: The staff took a peek into senior Dave Huyette's diary in an effort to uncover the events that took place at the 1961 National Youth Conference on the Atom.)

**Wednesday, Nov. 8**

Our Youth Conference delegation, consisting of 16 students and 2 teachers from the Quint-City area, arrived at the Palmer House in Chicago at 9 pm. We talked religion till two in the morning. Three of us — a Methodist, a Latter Day Saint, and a Catholic — tried to explain our beliefs to one another.

**Thursday, Nov. 9**

I never thought I was going to last through all those lectures today. From 8:30 am to 9 pm, with time out only for lunch and supper, we heard talk after talk. "The Fundamental Particles of the Atom" was the title of the first lecture, given by Dr. Hans Bethe, professor of physics at Cornell University. Other lecturers of the day covered such topics as "Matter and Energy in Living Systems" and "Use of Radiation and Radioisotopes" in the fields of biology, medicine and industry. The president of the Pennsylvania Electric Company showed a series of interesting slides which followed the process of producing electricity from nuclear fission.

At the conference dinner this evening a number of well-known scientists dined with the delegates. I felt rather privileged to be eating at the same table with a physicist from Brookhaven National Laboratory and a biochemist from the Armour Research Foundation. The main speaker was Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg, chairman of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, who overwhelmed everyone with his excellent talk on "Transuranium Elements."

**Friday, Nov. 10**

I don't feel quite so exhausted tonight, which is lucky since we have the rest of the evening free. This morning we visited Dresden Nuclear Power Station, the largest operational atomic power plant in the United States. After that bumpy bus ride from Dresden, I was relieved to arrive at Argonne National Laboratory, a group of labs operated by the federal government to investigate the peace time possibilities of atomic energy. The highlight of the Argonne tour was the visit to CP-5, an atomic reactor used for research by the department of physics.

**Saturday, Nov. 11**

Two outstanding lecturers rounded out the program today. Dr. Edward Creutz discussed "Research Toward Controlled Thermonuclear Reactions" and Dr. Norman Hilberry gave a real "fire and brimstone" talk, "To Think or Not To Think," on the challenge of the future to youth. A final luncheon and speaker were the last official func-

tions of the 1961 National Youth Conference on the Atom. I digested the food easily, but it's going to take quite a while before I digest all I learned on this trip.

## Digs Deep

# Uncovers Tome

**Out of This World** might best describe Assumption's library. However, this is the title Dr. D. Q. Posin chose for his book on space. (Jerry Keefe '62 can find it under "science," to his left as he enters the library.)

It is one of over 7100 volumes available to students — over seven per student. Ten encyclopedias provide reference material for senior Anne Geske's term papers. AHS has two sets of the **World Book**, the **Catholic Encyclopedia**, and **Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia**, plus four other sets.

The largest single volume in the library is **Webster's Unabridged Dictionary** with 3393 total pages. A little used reference work has one of the oldest publishing dates, 1855: **Indian Tribes of North America**, a three volume set, may be found in the left center section.

Senior Pat Carroll's having a problem with languages. Assumption has German, Spanish, French, and Latin dictionaries which translate foreign words and phrases into English and vice versa. Also there is an all-Spanish dictionary for junior Pat Feeney.

Dottie Masterson '63 says communism is the topic. Well, two of the books, contributed by the Mothers' Club, are **From Lenin to Khrushchev**, and **You Can Trust the Communists** (to do exactly as they say . . .).

The first title in the card catalogue is **Abbe Pierre**, a novel by Jay Hudson. The last is an author card, Prince ZuLoewenstein's **The Lance of Longinus**. There are 106 cards listed under "Shakespeare."

**Assumption's Library** covers topics beginning with **Flower Arranging**, and **French Chivalry** and leading to **Fish on Friday** (a book of essays by Fr. John Feeney).

So if Carol Lewandoski '65 is **In Darkest Africa** and needs some help on her research paper, she can use the AHS library. Soph Rita Holzner, who helps staff the library, will assist her in the quest. Sister Mary Ernestine, BVM, is always ready to aid students with research problems.

Toni Colbrese '62 explains, "Working in the library is a good way to discover books on unknown topics. It also provides training for work in a college or public library."







## Glamour

# Magazines "Ad" Up To Trouble

by Pat Nemmers

The advertisements read: "The girl most likely to get a date to the Christmas Formal or win a popularity contest" must wear this brand dress . . . "When it's half past midnight and you're still Cinderella" then you're ready for that brand perfume . . . When you'd "go barefoot if you couldn't have" that other brand shoes to dance in . . .

With a little over a week left before the Christmas Formal, AHS girls study these ads and seem to believe the claims. Unknowingly they accept the invitation to buy, buy, and buy. Presuming that they will be transformed almost miraculously into the belle of the ball or the queen of the Christmas Formal they buy that certain exotic perfume.

But the modern high school girl is a mortal victim of conformity. With this in mind, the American teenage magazines are promoting uniformity in the daily lives of teenage girls.

In America, C. J. McNaspy, S.J., stated, "If all he had to go on were our women's magazines, what would a social historian think of contemporary American culture? For one thing he would find the feminine self image an unlikely blend of sophistication and naivete."

Magazines today are supported principally by advertising. Since advertisers demand guaranteed readership, publishers scramble for subscribers and a psychology to woo them. Fashion magazines — *Vogue*, *Glamour*, and *Mademoiselle* — are openly committed to advertising and average over \$4 million apiece in that revenue!

A poll of 12 freshman, 12 sophomore, 8 junior, and 7 senior girls, provided some interesting results.

Of the girls interviewed several admitted they purchased various products advertised in magazines. Six of the seniors, seven juniors, ten sophomores, and nine freshmen purchased Revelon products. Four seniors, six juniors, seven sophs, and nine frosh use Max Factor make-up. Other articles they purchased included Chanel, Arpege, Tweed, and Tabu perfumes, Pendleton and Jonathon Logan clothes and Ponds' products. These

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"OH WOE IS ME" coos Carol Flanagan '63 to her hero. The knight in shining armor Harlan Fournier '63 seems pleased to rescue her from the vanquished Muskies. Truly, fashions have changed since medieval times, as the above article indicates.

are all advertised in each issue of the above magazines.

"Magazines in general influence your way of life and the products you buy. The more they advertise a product the more interested a person becomes," states Mary Atkinson '65. Susan Barney '65 admits, "You can't always believe what you see and read in all-girl magazines." "The styles in these magazines influence me in buying clothes — the length, color and so on," tells Carol Spire '63. "Ingenuie is too centered on fashions," says Eileen McCarthy '64. "I think *Glamour* is too sophisticated," states Marianne McDonough '64.

"Magazine influence is subtle," thinks Mardi Gaydos '63. "Many American girls are influenced by magazine ads. There are many new attractions and methods used which increase the interest and sale of various products," agrees Kit Dower '63. "Magazines give us a clear view of the fashion world in which we are so involved," says Pam Roenfeldt '62.

A special report in *Business Week* states: The advertiser pays big money for the mass audience and he is increasingly concerned not so much over how many people are exposed to his commercial messages as over how many people actually get the word and are in a position to act on it.

To this extreme is the ad in the November *Teen* for a "Beatnik Dictionary — 'Swingin' Syllables' — The Official Handbook for Everyone in Orbit — Send one skin."

This is the type of educational material many AHS girls are digesting. "A steady diet of *Seventeen* — and other glamour magazines — can lead to the breaking down of morals unless we recognize the false ideas being presented," states an editorial in *Peace Points*, a Catholic high school newspaper from St. Paul, Minn.

Discouraging the "lopsided girl" idea, magazines such as *CO-ED* try to pre-set articles on good grooming, tips on future education, cooking and sewing skills, and proper behavior at home, school, and social gatherings. *Today* and *Hi-Time* feature varied articles of controversial topics of interest to the informed teenage reader. Such magazines as *Newsweek* and *Time* report to her the political happenings of her world.

The girl shopping for her formal finds advertising a convenient, legitimate means of information. But when this girl is nagged with a desire to buy a \$150 dress in the latest magazine, when, neither can she afford such a dress, nor would she "capture his heart" with this dress, advertising fails to fulfill its legitimate purpose.





↑ "HOME AGAIN," cheers Suzie Wells '63, flanked by lettermen Dan McGee, John Crossen and Al Rashid '62.

RADIANT homecoming queen Mary Hart '62 speaks to the student body at the game. →



# h o m e c o m i n g



← GRACING THE QUEEN'S float with their presence are Queen Mary Hart and attendants Pat Maag, Lori Neufeld and Evie Panther '62.

"WOW," SIGHS ONLOOKER Dave Huyette '62, momentarily forgetting the introduction of the homecoming attendants Evie Panther and Janet Barrett '62. →







WITH HER BIG SMILE and AHS corsage complimenting each other, Jean Saunders '63 seems to be having a good time at the homecoming dance.



↑ "I WENT WALTZING with Jan Adamsky '64," chortles suave Steve Kellenberger '62.

# 1961



"HOLD MY STEED FOR ME," pleads Harlan Fournier '63 to the senior girls at the homecoming pep rally.





# Intrepid Seniors Wrench Jalopy From Ditch

by Pat Morrissey

(EDITOR'S NOTE — This second installment about three intrepid Assumption explorers concludes Pat Morrissey's account of their adventures last summer in the Canadian wilds. At last reckoning, their car was mired in the mud.)

We unloaded all our gear and then chopped down two tall trees. Using the trees as levers we picked one end of the car up and put old wood and rocks under the wheels, backed it up about a foot and then repeated the process. One time George got in to put it in reverse and back up some more. When he let out the clutch, the car lurched forward about three feet — he had put it in second. Six hours later we made the 30 feet back to the highway.

### Camp Menu

That night, and the following two nights, we made camp on the outskirts of Kenora. During the day we fished, ate and slept. We cooked some mighty fine meals over the old campfire. One meal we had stew, beans and soda pop; the next consisted of soda pop, beans and stew. All drinking and wash water, which was purer than the water you drink at home, was taken right from the lake.

Wednesday morning we decided we

had better get busy bearhunting. So we packed up all our gear and headed south to Sioux Narrows, where we thought to find better hunting. After the 50 mile trip, we rented a cabin for \$7.50 a day from an ex-guide and bearhunter, Bill Frankchup. The cabin was real neat! The first night we were practically eaten alive by mosquitoes; that didn't surprise us though since you could see as well through the side of the cabin as you could through the windows. We did obtain an old wooden boat and two horse power motor free of charge.

Thursday morning George and I left the cabin about seven o'clock. In a boat we hunted for bear along the streams which feed into the vast network of lakes. We had traveled about five miles, stopping now and then to search for tracks and signs, when we met a couple of fishermen who told us they had seen a bear in a certain cove one day earlier. We then headed for the cove which was about two miles up the lake in the direction of our cabin. After reaching the cove, we put out bait in several spots, planning to return early next morning when the bears were feeding. We had gone approximately half a mile toward our cabin when our motor conked out and we knew we were out of gas.

### Rescue

We took turns rowing for about half an hour. By that time the sky had become very dark and the wind was mounting. We were in for trouble — a rain storm on the Lake of the Woods. There was only one thing to do: we let the boat drift into shore and then I climbed out and with the tie rope started pulling the boat along the shore while George tried to keep the boat from crashing on the rocks, which was an impossible task.

Finally it became necessary to re-

sume rowing, which was tricky since one oar was four inches shorter than the other. We tried to hail a couple of boats and perhaps obtain some gas, but they must have thought we just wanted to be friendly because they just waved back. Mr. Frankchup had become worried about us by then and sent out a search boat, which found us. The only trouble was that the boat was a big 60 horsepower job and when he hooked on to our little 12 ft. flat-bottom and gave her the gun, we hung on for dear life.

When we did reach the cabin Bill had some fish frying and they made us forget our troubles of a few hours earlier. The reason Bill didn't go out with George and me was because he had slept until just a few minutes before we returned, which was six p.m.

### No Bear

The next morning we overslept until 11 o'clock and therefore we didn't get a bear, which by the way had eaten our bait.

We left for home some time in the afternoon that Friday, bought a few souvenirs in Ft. Frances and made it to Mill Lacs, Minn., that night. Having grown accustomed to beds once again, we decided to spend five dollars to stay in a motel. And what a motel it was! Our room was about 10 by 15 feet, had black walls and a red ceiling, a double bed and a small fold away. To add to the luxury, it was alive with lake bugs, which are like giant mosquitoes.

Next morning we didn't waste any time since we were anxious to get home because we were short on cash. Eight o'clock Saturday night we were in Dubuque, George's new home, and after a warm greeting and a few hamburgers from Mr. and Mrs. Knight, Bill and I were rolling toward Davenport.

I had two bucks when I arrived home, Bill had one Canadian nickel, but we all had more fun and more tales to tell than money could buy.

## Fathers Serve City

Many Assumption students' fathers are serving the city of Davenport in various political offices.

In the city elections on Nov. 7, Raymond T. O'Brien, 914 Iroquois Drive, was elected the new mayor. He is the father of Pat O'Brien '65 and soph Kathy O'Brien. Mary Denise graduated in '60.

Acting as Second Ward Alderman will be Harold Stephens, 2028 N. Division, father of Judy Stephens '62.

Senior Anne Balluff's father, Bernard Balluff, 210 Ridgewood, will be serving as Davenport Park Commissioner.

Mothers' Club  
Potluck  
Jan. 7th

JAN. 18 1969  
Semester  
Examis

Epiphany  
Party  
Jan. 3

JUNIOR-SENIOR RETREAT  
JAN. 23-24

FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE  
RETREAT  
JAN 25-26

CHRISTMAS  
FORMAL  
Dec. 27th.

Teachers  
Day-  
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## Raffle Goes Well; Students Produce

"Only a few turned me down," boasts soph Eileen McCarthy.

No, she isn't referring to invitations for the Christmas Formal. Eileen sold the highest number of ticket books for the Mothers' Club raffle. With a total of 99½ books she topped sales in both the girls' and boys' divisions.

"Most of the people I asked agreed to buy a chance since it was for Assumption," Eileen recalls. Refusing to be outdone on her record of last year — when she sold 100 books and received a \$25 cash prize — Eileen contacted local merchants and business offices pleading her cause. The prize awarded Eileen was a leather-bound case of eight stereo albums.

Eighty books were sold by Bill Thiesen '62 for second place and a white and gold Motorola Transistor radio. "It was a lot of work but it was worth it," Bill declared. Perhaps a bit of prodding was given by his mother, who is Mothers' Club President, Bill admits.

The business merchants in northwest Davenport were approached by frosh Joyce Bergthold. She brought in \$44.80 and received a Motorola Transistor radio for her efforts. "It wasn't too hard to sell the chances when I said I was from AHS," says Joyce. She also mentions that buyers felt 10¢ a small donation for a prize of \$100.

Using his relatives and a former paper route for prospective customers, another frosh — Tony Navarro — was fourth with a total of 40 books sold.

Since the Mothers' Club offered 20¢ or two free tickets per book to the salesmen, Tony felt this a fine way to get some cash. Selling all 12 tickets in the 40 books, he made a profit of \$8. "Everybody I met — stranger or not — I approached with the idea of selling a chance," Tony laughs. He received cufflinks as a prize.

According to Fr. Robert Amborn, the money netted from student sales will be used for any needs of the school not covered by tuition.



STRAIGHT FROM THE "Roaring 20's" come flapper girls Carol Flanagan '63 and Jo Ann Luther '63.

## Pros Advise Prospectors

As graduation slowly creeps up on the senior, the thought of a career keeps hammering away at his mind. To hasten this process of choosing a career, Fr. Edmund J. Weeg and Sister Mary Ann Esther, BVM, conducted Career Week Oct. 16-20.

Earlier, Father Weeg had instructed the senior boys' homeroom guidance teachers to have the boys indicate three preferable careers they would like to pursue in later life.

The selections the senior boys made show that they are aware of and realize the importance of a college education or further education other than high school. Out of 112 boys, 83.1% chose a field requiring a college education, while 16.89% selected a field not requiring a college education but requiring apprenticeship; for example, a plumber, chef, carpenter, electrician or rancher. Those remaining chose a field not requiring any further education.

Engineering dominated the field with 35 selections. Next choice was teaching, with 33 selections. The professional field of business followed with 29 selections. Certified public accounting was fourth, and careers in service came fifth.

Three fields cannot be categorized because they are in a special humanitarian field: social worker, peace corps volunteer, and priesthood. The selections for these fields were surprisingly low — they comprised a meager 4%. "This indicates an apparent lack of social consciousness. Catholics should take a greater interest in the Peace Corps," stated Fr. Marvin Mottet, senior religion instructor.

How did Career Week aid seniors in choosing a career? "I think it helped me to know the true requirements of certain fields," chimed Karl Noonan '62.

"Career Week gave me a keen insight into the career which I hope to follow. I learned that college demands more than just learning the actual vocation I wish to follow," exclaimed John Stoker '62.

"I found advanced and often post-graduate work necessary for every field I wish to follow," quipped Mike Quigley '62.

This survey showed, according to Father Weeg, that most of the students realize further education is required in practically any field.

The Home Economics class has a spicy project. In order to get a dishwasher for the lab, the girls are selling spices ranging from 50c to \$1.00, salt and pepper shakers, and a mahogany spice rack. Pumpkin spices, oil of lemon, orange and pure vanilla are a few of the variety of spices.

## Quote

*From a '61 grad's letter to a faculty member: "Tell those seniors this year to keep their faces in those books. They'll really need it next year. We're only allowed two nights a week off campus and nobody I know has taken more than one."*

*You might also tell them not to get too serious over a girl. (A lot of good that'll do). Three freshmen up here have cracked already and gone home because of their girls."*



With the closing of the old year, new plans are in order for the all-important senior project. Last year's seniors reminisce over their antics as they make suggestions for the class of '62:

**Dear Karen Haiston,**  
I was suppose to be one of the spaghetti runners. After twice being ordered from the kitchen, we wandered aimlessly through the halls, took in the final minute, twenty-nine seconds of the Ambrose basketball game and told four Ambrose students where to go (to get out, that is).  
Suddenly, there was a need for more coat checkers, so we opened a stand. We were busy for awhile but soon the room was full and we were ordered into the D-wing to open a branch office.  
Sincerely yours,  
**Charles Sommer**



**Dear Erle Etzel,**  
Officially, I was listed as chairman of the bread cutters, but I didn't let that stop me. Fortunately, no one had yet recognized the most important job available — spaghetti sauce stirring. You may not believe it, but around 5:00 Sunday, people were actually fighting to take my place over the stove. Being a nice guy, I took three or four breaks so the others could have a turn.

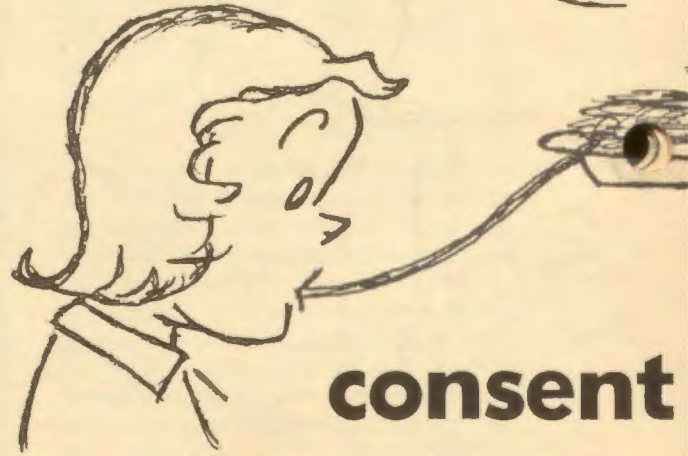
During these breaks I went back to the bread table and sliced four or five loaves. Most of the other bread helpers had found other jobs too, so eventually the job was taken over by Fr. Robert Amborn. Also during breaks, we were able to get a small snack, consisting of milk and pie.

Around 6:00 it became obvious that we were running out of sauce, so Fr. Louis Colonnesse found it necessary to borrow both St. Vincent's and the convent's supply of meat. We eventually borrowed all their milk and bread too.

At 6:30 Dick Tappendorf and I cooked ground meat for a new batch of sauce. What was eventually brewed didn't turn out very well but I guess it was used anyway.

Yours truly,  
**Bill Keefe**

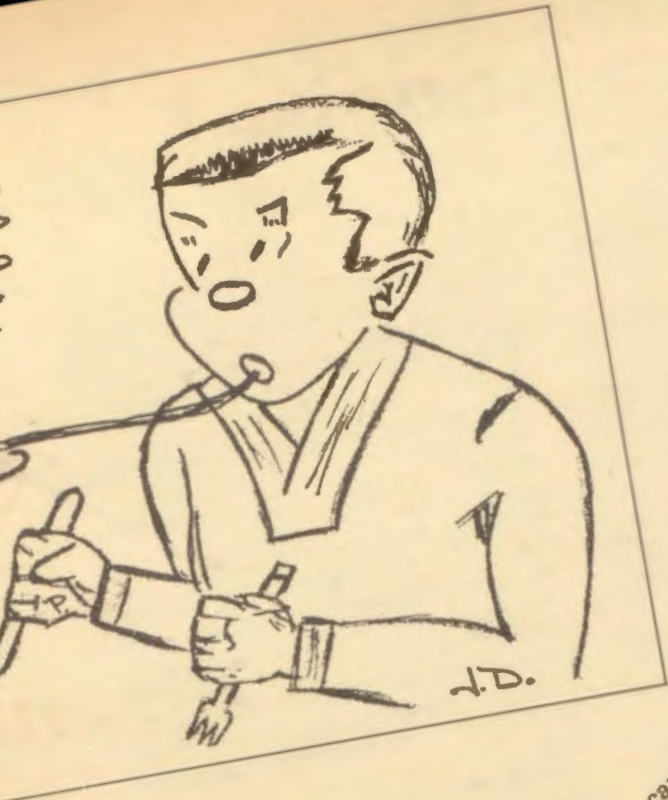
# advise!



**Dear Chris Froeschle,**  
I was cook for our senior project. This job was a lot of fun. First I had to mix meat and sauce, which was a real important job. At this job I found a lot of fun and togetherness — if somebody needed help another senior would relieve him.  
I also picked parsley and helped the girls decorate the tables in the few short times I had a break. Saturday, after we were all done, we raced up and ate the halls on push carts and had drag races. I think that you will have lots of fun if you will make every effort to have a success.  
Yours truly,  
**Thomas Mason**

What should be the Senior Project for the Class of '62? Turn to the editorial page, 42, for a suggestion by the editors.





Dear Joan Kloss,

The spaghetti dinner was a tremendous success — but what accounted for this? When volunteers were asked for specific committees, I signed up for the decoration committee. As it turned out, all who were appointed to preliminary committees were later employed as waiters. I think it is important that the senior volunteers; that he himself purchases a ticket; that he gets out and sells these tickets, not a day or two before the due date but a week in advance. If he is on, say, the decoration committee, he should be where the chairman of that particular committee designates and get things done, not make it completely a social hour.

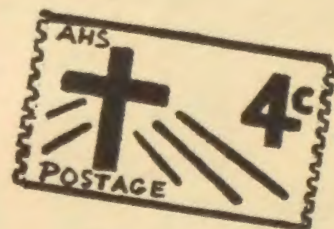
A few good suggestions have been compiled by some of the seniors as to how the dinner could be improved. The line should be extended out into the hallway. One of the main tables near the dishwashing room should be left out to facilitate smoother handling of platters and hardware and prevent congestion. Many complained about cold instant coffee, so a coffee urn is well in order.

With these few tidbits of reputable, experience-proven advice, how can the class of '62 possibly fail to live up to the tradition thus inaugurated?

Very truly yours,  
Edward Soenke

Dear Dave Pyne,  
I was on a good cold committee — parking cars. It was a lot of fun but it had me sweating a few times when the cars would come too close.  
I had the most fun after the dinner when we went to John Anderson's house for a party. At the party there was a combination of singing, sleeping and just plain goofing off. This was about the first senior class party we have had in which nobody could move. After this party some people, who weren't completely down yet, went over to Jim Hill's house for another party.  
All in all, I think the ones that worked the hardest had the most fun.

Sincerely,  
Jim Goetsch



Dear Pat Foley,

Some people came as early as eight o'clock Saturday morning to start cooking the sauce and didn't leave until late that night — that's class spirit. It wasn't all work, though. We had the record player in the cafeteria and a radio in the home economics room. Some of the kids brought playing cards. I think part of the fun was working with girls that I had never talked to before.  
My job was suppose to be chef, but I wound up dumping garbage into the furnace. All together I worked about 15 or 16 hours and enjoyed every minute of it.

Sincerely,  
Tom Chandler

Dear Dave Aldape,

The part I played in the senior project was a lot of fun. I was suppose to be a runner — taking spaghetti from the home economics room to the cafeteria — but I ended up as cook. I met girls that I had never known before in the three years I've been here. It makes me feel good to know that I had a part in the big success that we had — 2300 people came. At first nobody seemed to be enthusiastic about the idea, but at the end everybody put forth everything they had.

Sincerely yours,  
Frank Pena





# "To Be Or Not To Be; That's The Question"

To the Editor:

Since the days of Laika, criticism of all aspects of secondary education in the United States has become increasingly vocal, and, it appears, justifiably so. The inadequate college preparatory programs of our high schools have become a matter of national concern.

As a high school student I have often wondered what immediate action might be taken by any and all high schools to rectify the appalling situation.

My conclusion is that high school athletics should be de-emphasized. There are many reasons:

First is expense. The very cost of maintaining an athletic program is considerable, far overshadowing the cost of intellectual pursuits; i.e. math, science, literature. May I ask how many students benefit directly from these funds? Taking our own humble institution as an example, I estimate that roughly only 10% of the entire student body receives direct benefits from athletics.

Furthermore, what tangible benefits does the athlete himself receive? Does the ephemeral, misdirected acclaim accorded the athlete by the more ignor-

ant of his contemporaries have any real meaning? This writer can think of none.

Does the student, whose school time is disrupted by pep rallies and parades, whose nighttime study hours are frequently interrupted by numerous athletic events, receive any recompense for his time, more than if it had been spent in study?

The original purpose of athletics is to mold the participant into an asset to society. The present system defeats its own purpose. Since 90% of the people are sadly underdeveloped, 10% are over-trained animals. If true sports were maintained, all would have an equal chance to participate in and enjoy sports.

The real reason behind the evils of the present system is a false sense of values. The drug store cowboy, the overtrained gladiator is given greater applause than the zealous student. Who, I ask, who is of greater benefit to society? The obvious answer is the student of today who is the leader of tomorrow. The gladiator benefits society and civilization nothing, the scholar is the foundation of civilization.

GK

Reply:

We must begin by replying that we are in almost entire disagreement with GK. We agree with some of his points but we can't seem to reach the same conclusions. Let's go through and treat his points one at a time.

First expense: we grant the fact that expense is considerable. However, the profits from this function do not return to the athletic fund but rather to the school for its essential function of education of the mind.

Further on in his letter Mr. K. advocates participation by all. True, this is the ideal. But would it be practical? Already we have established the considerable cost of equipping the present number of athletes, so imagine the resultant cost. Furthermore, there would be no income to compensate for the outgo. We shall return to intramurals later.

The Athletic Director at Assumption estimates that around 250 boys participated directly in interscholastic sports each year. This is approximately 50% of the boys division and 1/4 of the entire student body.

By no means can this be called a minority group in the school. If you call this an insignificant number, what do we call small organizations such as the band, debate club and so on?

Then he asks what benefits does the athlete himself receive. Where else does the participant get a sense of justice instilled in him so effectively? Where else does the participant receive a sense of team work and a determination to work with his associates so directly? Where else does the participant gain the

sense of responsibility which he needs to be a successful member of a team? Where else does a participant learn to be humble in such understandable terms as a good winner or loser, or that there is no "I" in team? Where else can a participant gain the perseverance and courage to pick himself off the ground and keep going? Where else can a participant gain the competitive spirit so necessary for success today?

I can think of few if any activities which instill these qualities even 1/4 as well as athletics. Many activities can give one or two, maybe three, but not all. Furthermore these same qualities do not go exclusively to the players. The audience receives these, plus few unique to them, for instance — unity. By its very nature, an athletic event draws the students to fight toward a common goal. The unified cheering section is an outward example of this.

Using our own humble institution as an example, as my adversary did, to this date we have had seven pep rallies . . . 85 minutes in a total of four months. How many hundreds of times 85 minutes have students wasted on talking over some TV programs? Do we drop these shows?

In conclusion, society needs the whole man, not fractions. The ancient Greeks are commonly called the most scholarly of all people, yet they were probably the most athletic. It is a common biological fact that the mind cannot function without a healthy body. Concerning leadership, I offer the following. The presidents of two of the country's most respected companies, U.S. Steel and General Motors, are both former outstanding athletes.

Neither time nor space permits to answer every argument brought against athletics. We hope that in this space we have given some answers to those who can see no benefits in anything which does not happen to meet their qualifications, and who condemn and punish those who have gained a degree of excellence in these sports.

Don Miller, sports editor

## Wrestlers Rest

Assumption's wrestling team will be idle during the holidays until Jan. 4 when Cedar Rapids Prairie travels here.

The matmen romped to their second straight victory Dec. 5 as they downed East Moline 29-11.

In their first dual meet, the Knights defeated the Muscatine Muskies by a 29-13 margin.

The grapplers participated in the Davenport Invitational and Davenport Quadrangular meets. Stan Maliszewski '62 placed first in the Quadrangular heavy-weight division.

Fr. R. Walter, Athletic Director





## In Gym

# Round-ballers Work 'Overtime'

Thursday, Dec. 21, the Knights travel to Rock Island to play Alleman.

The Pioneers, out to revenge their football defeat at the hands of the Knights, sport a fast break offense headed by junior Tim Powers.

After the holiday break the Knights turn into the home stretch. They go back into action on Dec. 29 against Burlington. The Greyhounds have two returning starters from the team which dumped the Knights last year. The following night they return home to battle the Blue Devils of Davenport Central. The chief aim of Coach "Babe" Derioun's cagers will be to stop Central's junior scoring whiz, Jim Hester.

The Knights, led by Karl Noonan '62, get their five game January schedule on the road against Muscatine, a three time victim of the Knights last year. Next they entertain the East Moline Panthers. Assumption will be out to revenge an early season double overtime loss. As senior letterman Jerry Ketelaar says, "We're really looking forward to another shot at them."

### EAST MOLINE

The Knights opened their season Nov. 24 at East Moline in a barnburner. After rallying from a 19-10 second quarter deficit, the Knights trailed 23-19 at the half. They pulled even midway through the third quarter on a basket by Pat Murray '62. After a seesaw final four minutes Assumption trailed by two at the end of the third quarter. The Panthers maintained this margin throughout the fourth quarter before senior Jerry Ketelaar knotted the score at 39-39. East Moline got the tip at the start of the second overtime period and held it. With two seconds remaining, the Panthers' Jim Taylor sank a seven foot jump shot to down the Knights 41-39.

### DAVENPORT WEST

With little time to relax, the Knights met the Falcons of Davenport West the next night on Assumption's floor. Both teams showed fine defenses and deliberate offenses as they stayed together throughout the first half. However, when they went in at half, the Knights lagged 23-19. Assumption came to play in the second half, pulled even quickly and then edged ahead. But determined Falcons kept coming right back. Finally with 12 seconds to go in the game, West called time out, the score 38-38. West set up a play, and Jim Deters sank a 15 footer with four 'seconds left. Seniors Karl Noonan and Dan Brookhart led with 13 and 11 points respectively for the Knights.

### BETTENDORF

The Knights greeted the new month by spanking the Bulldogs 57-40 for

their initial win. Behind Karl Noonan '62 and a red hot first quarter, Assumption streaked to a 20-10 quarter lead. In the second quarter the Knights could find the range for only one basket, but still held a slim 23-20 half-time lead. The second half was all Assumption with the Knights pulling out to a commanding lead as Coach "Babe" Derouin shoved many of his reserves into the fray. Karl Noonan, finding his basketball legs, pumped in 22 points to lead the balanced attack.

## Knights Stars Shine

In response to their fine record, Assumption's football players received many post season honors.

Karl Noonan '62 became Assumption's first full fledge All-Stater. He was honored both by the IDPA and the Des Moines Register on their first teams. He also was named to the first team All-Quad City and Metropolitan.

Mick Trinite '62 was selected to the All-Metropolitan and All-Quad City in addition to an honorable mention All-State. Stan Maliszewski '62 was also awarded a berth on the All-Quad City squad. Seniors Bob Deluhery and Dan McGee received honorable mentions on several of the area's star squads.

## Sophs Win; Frosh Try

Led by the consistent scoring of Phil Pash and Dan Albers, Assumption's sophomore basketball team, after an opening game loss to East Moline, has reeled off two straight victories and now sports a 2-1 record.

Ron Mellen's little Knights, scrapping down to the wire, dropped a 35-34 thriller to the Panther underclassmen in the season opener for both teams. Phil Pash whipped in 16 points to lead the Knights' attack.

A fourth quarter scoring-splurge provided the little Knights with their first win of the campaign, a 38-33 decision over the West high school sophs. Albers led the winners with 16 points.

Dec. 1, the Knights squared off against Bettendorf and trounced the hapless Bullpups 68-39. Albers and Pash again topped Knight scorers with 23 and 14 points respectively.

Albers has emerged as the top scorer for the little Knights, collecting 48 points in the first three outings for a 16.0 aver-



**HIGH INTO THE AIR** for two points against Bettendorf goes Jerry Ketelaar '62.

age. He is followed by Pash who has scored 40 points and has a 13.3 average.

Coach Tom Sunderbruch's freshmen expected to see a lot of action in the coming campaign include: Dan Dugan, Joe Kellenberger, Jim Cawley, Denny Hammill, Tom Salsbury and Pat Crossen.

The Knight underclassmen opened their season Sunday, Dec. 3, by dropping a 39-37 heart-breaker to the Alleman yearlings. Joe Kellenberger collected 10 points in the loss.



# Sophs Are Bugged By Biology Projects

## Beekeeper

Buzzing in biology applies to the students in Sister Mary Claire Marie's class. Tom Duax '64 has provided the lab with a frame of bees — yes indeed, the buzzing, stinging kind.

"Since we're studying insects, especially bees and wasps, the beehive helps us to observe the life cycle of the bee," explains Sr. M. Claire Marie.

About 10 years ago Tom's grandfather began raising bees in Iowa during the summer months and moving them by truck to Florida for the winter. Now Tom works his father's bees on the Wapsie River. "We had 75 colonies last September but only 35 survived to May," Tom tells. Approximately 1000 to 1500 bees are found in one colony.

Unlike the worker bee, who lives only one month, the queen bee lives about two years. To continue the production of honey, the queen lays eggs which the workers fertilize and protect until new bees are hatched. Easily distinguishable, the queen is longer and darker brown than the workers. As their queen ages the workers begin to make other queen cells. When they kill the old queen, the newly hatched fight for queenship. The winner reigns for her life span.

Tom doesn't plan to return to the colonies until May. The bees live on the honey they produce during the winter. To get the frame for class, Tom and his brother Bob, a '61 grad, wore bee veils over their faces but no gloves since they merely annoy the insects.

Not only is Tom's hobby exciting; it also is profitable. In the basement of the Duax home, the men of the family process the raw honey. If not enough

honey is produced by his own bees, Tom purchases honey at about 11¢ or 12¢ a pound. In a large tank the honey is heated to 160° on gas stoves. After filter powder is added and the process completed, the filling tank pumps the finished honey into jars for sale to stores or in 60 pound cans for companies. The processed honey can be sold for 17¢ or 18¢ a pound.

Tom admits he may carry his project into the Science Fair this year. In eighth grade he won honorable mention for such a project in the fair at Bettendorf.

Although such a hobby is risky, you must admit it certainly is sweet!

## Machine Vs. Reader Who's The Faster

If you can read this in 10 seconds you are a fast reader. In case you don't have a stop watch handy, there is another way to check the speed at which you can read.

With Fr. John Boyle's permission you may use a machine which he uses in his reading and comprehension class — the Reading Pacer Machine. It can be set at any pace from zero to 120 lines per minute; as the number increases, the faster the reader must read.

Although there is only one in use now, Father hopes that two more will be added in the near future.

Speed is one factor in reading, but more important is comprehension. To get the benefits of good fast reading sign up for Father Boyle's reading class at the semester.

## Queen Bees

Why is science, definitely one of the harder subjects, usually considered fun? Maybe it's because you get to "do" things in science. Collections, experiments and lab periods bring the material in the text to life.

An example of learning-by-doing science is biology. The second day of class Sister Mary Mildred Ann, BVM, had the girls find live grasshoppers and bring them to school in plastic bags. As was expected, soph Geri Barrett "lost" her grasshopper in class. The screams of the unseasoned biologists could be heard throughout the S-wing.

The next assignment was an insect collection. To aid the girls in collecting, Sister demonstrated how to construct a home-made "bug net" from a hanger and a plastic bag. The captured insects were mounted and labeled.

These assignments were followed by similar collections of twigs, leaves, pine cones and roots. At school, slides were taken from the various specimens and analyzed under microscopes.

As the cold weather closed in, the class had to stop collecting specimens. However, not one to let cold weather freeze out scientific curiosity, Sr. M. Mildred Ann started science clubs in each of her four periods.

The clubs meet once a week, each period having been given a certain topic to develop as a club project. Officers co-ordinate their activities and are responsible for a science project based on the work of the club. Meetings are held during school time and the weekly assignments are given class credit.

The first period class, under the direction of Eileen McCarthy '64, collected several specimens of buds, mounting one and cutting the others up for examination. Says soph Carol Spire, "By collecting and examining the buds in science club, I got a lot more from the chapter on buds when we studied them in class."

Conifers are the project of the second period science club, whose chairman is Louise Puls. One of their weekly assignments has been to find samples of the various kinds of conifers. Sister has made a chart to clarify their study.

Fossils occupy the time of the seventh period club. Under the direction of soph Mary Kealey, the girls are making individual rock collections.

The sophomore scientists agree that these clubs, collections and other outside activities are a lot of work, but they also add a new enjoyment to studying. Quips Kathy Barrett, "The class subject I really be fun if it were the only subject I was taking."

JOANIE KLOSS '62 helps freshman Tom Duax into his bee veil so he can get some (a) honey for her.







PREPARING PAUL DiBLASIO '63 for his role in the choral concert are seniors Lynn McSweeney, Toni Colbrese and Pat O'Toole.



## It's Nix To Rocky Career

Lion claws, Lepidolite, Gypsum . . . these Davenport fossils are part of junior Martha Holm's collection.

"I started the collection in fourth grade," recalls the collector. "A friend gave me a book explaining the purpose and process of collecting fossils and I became really interested."

After reading the book, Martha and some of her friends organized a club. "Actually it only lasted about a year, but we had fun," she laughed. During that time members investigated back yards and wooded areas in the neighborhood and gathered quite a collection.

"It seems impossible, but you'd be surprised at what you can find when you really look for it," she explained. "For instance, the bulldozers overturned a lot of fossils, when they were building Hoover school."

Although some club members lost interest, Martha continued investigating the fossil world.

Gradually the neighborhood scavenging broadened and she began collecting items from other areas. "Whenever we went on vacation I brought home rocks, rocks and more rocks." Martha also utilized the Davenport museum to identify fossils and obtain some items otherwise impossible.

The collection consists mainly of fossil containing rocks as well as a dinosaur bone.

"I haven't really had time to work on it lately," commented Martha, "but it's been sort of a continuous hobby ever since I read that book."

Despite her interest, the junior does not intend to develop the hobby into a life work.

"I'm going into interior decorating,"

stated Martha, who also has an avid interest in art. When she was 13 her drawing of the Cork Hill Cathedral was hung at the Davenport Art Studio. To gain experience she has posed for the art class there.

"It's hard to find enough time to work on both hobbies," stressed the junior, "But I don't want to abandon either one."

## Juniors Practice Headshrinking

"For a pleasant and more impressive personality, we will help you analyze yourself as both you and others see you."

No, this is not an ad for a psychiatrist or a finishing school. Rather it's the reason behind the junior girls' guidance course, headed by Sister Mary Diana, Sister Mary Helen Regine, and Sister Mary Joannette, BVM.

Twice a week the Sisters attempt — with the aid of films, pamphlets, and evaluation sheets — to illustrate the traits and characteristics necessary for a good personality.

Early in the year the girls received self evaluation sheets in which they described the kind of person they are and hope to become. Then they gave the sheets to classmates for their personal opinions.

Another evaluation sheet aided the girls in sizing up their occupational fitness. This chart had check lists for below, normal, or above average self opinions on dress and grooming, intelligence, creative ability, and personal traits. Again after the owner judged

## Nativity Aud Becomes Crib

As the lights on stage dimmed and the chorus sang the tale of Christ's coming, a steel-gray curtain opened on the Virgin Mary, portrayed by Vicki Vaughan '64.

Gene Jerome and Mike Barry, both '63, then narrated Morton Luvaas' Cantata, and explained each successive tableau.

Sister Mary Meneve, BVM, new choral director, and the Varsity Chorus, 70 strong, thus presented the age-old story of The Shepherd's Christmas on Dec. 17.

The Holy Family — played by Geri Barrett '64 and Joseph Connell '63 — appeared in a scene. Three magi entered and knelt before the manager to deposit their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

At the finale the Holy Family, magi, shepherds and angels all sang "glory to God in the highest."

Varsity singer Vicki Kruse '62 feels that "such a cantata, as presented, challenges the chorus and tends to bring out the best in them."

Traditional Christmas carols were not forgotten; piano and organ renditions by Janet Barrett '62 and Mary Wacker '64 still ring throughout the auditorium.

Also 60 members of the freshman chorus warbled Nite Before Christmas as arranged by Waring, Drummer Boy, and a French carol, Pat-a-Pac.

herself she gave it to a classmate for her evaluation. Sally Cogan '63 feels, "The evaluation sheets have given me a clearer and more accurate scale on which to judge my personality."

A movie on grooming and popularity was shown to each homeroom, "This movie gave me numerous tips on make-up and hair styles that will please me as well as others," explains Colleen Walsh '63. "It was funny, too," chuckles classmate Jeanne Genzel, referring to the humorous but well meant points on sloppy clothes and make-up.

Another film on teenage feelings and emotions was shown earlier in the year. It confused the girls, but also caused a new enthusiasm in their quest for answers. Martha Holm '63, puzzled but fascinated by the film, read library books dealing with psychology.

Do you want a pleasant and more impressive personality? If so, don't dole out money for a psychiatrist or finishing school, just step into E-4, E-6, or E-8 any day of the week, for a new you . . . girls, that is.



# Eagle Flies Through Ranks

by John Genzel

Now I'm an Eagle Scout, but from a very early age I had scouting in my blood. My father helped start Troop 199; my grandfather was one of the founders of a troop in Milwaukee, and my uncle was the first Eagle Scout from that troop.

With this background, I eagerly entered scouting in September, 1957, and was on my way towards the ultimate goal of every scout — the Eagle rank.

In two weeks I became a Tenderfoot Scout and started learning the fundamentals of scouting.

The main purpose of the next rank — Second Class — is to learn to be a good hiker. I learned the hard way. After tramping through mud, underbrush, and even poison ivy, I came home experienced. Another interesting aspect of this rank was my meeting the cooking requirements. I cooked meat and potatoes for my scoutmaster on a Friday night!

Since I had set a record of speed in gaining my first two ranks, I was determined to keep the pace. When we went for a first class swimming test, I confidently jumped in and intended to swim the required 50 yards with ease. However, I had forgotten one important factor — I couldn't swim. Five months of swimming lessons later, I passed this requirement to become a First Class scout!

## Genzel Receives Award

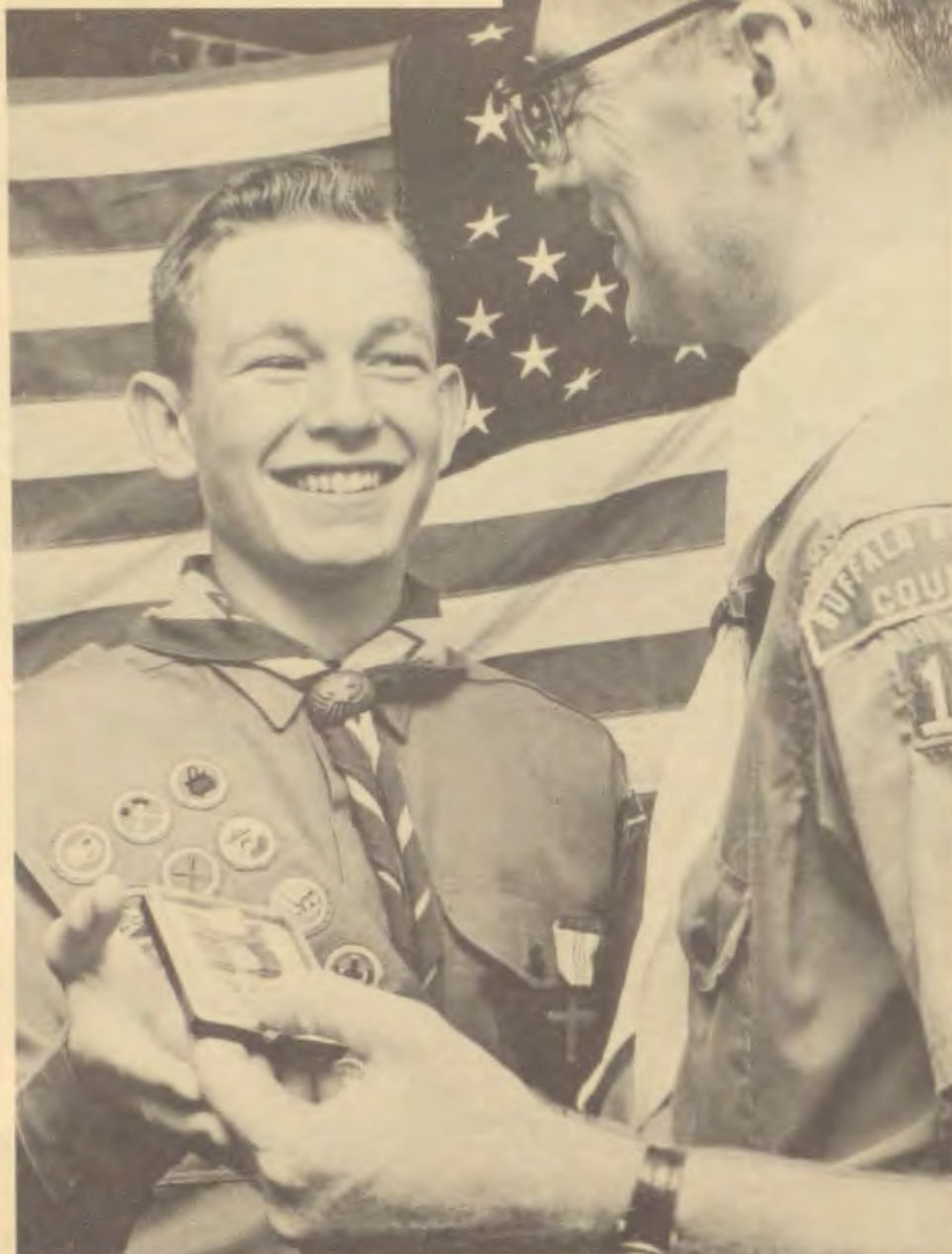
For the next two ranks — Star and Life — 10 specified merit badges were required. In the two years that it took me to acquire these, I developed skills in cooking, camping, first-aid, swimming and canoeing and also got an interesting and useful background in citizenship.

The last two years, my family and I have gone camping in Minnesota. Last August we left the car behind and traveled by boat, cutting ourselves off from civilization. We slept in tents, cooked over an open fire and drank water from the crystal clear lake. The scouting skills which I had acquired on three years previous were invaluable on these two trips.

A year and a half later I attained 11 more merit badges, furthering skills in various fields. This made a total of 21 — the required amount for the Eagle rank.

After sending in my application for this rank, I was called before a District Board of Review. The board — three prominent Davenport doctors — quizzed me on my knowledge of projects and ideas on citizenship. After a tense five minute conference among themselves, they informed me that I had passed and congratulated me.

My Eagle badge and certificate were presented to me by my scoutmaster in our troop court of honor Nov. 1.



## Cross 'n Crown

# Write A "Dear John" Letter

by John Crossen

Me talk to the Pope?

Yes, Pope John XXIII has asked you and me to write to him.

At the coming second Vatican Council many problems will be dealt with — one being the vernacular. Should the liturgy be in the language of the country or remain in the unchanging Latin?

The Pope wants to hear from people who would be affected by such a change.

Many of the senior boys, urged on by Fr. Marvin Mottet, have discussed the problem and have already mailed their opinions to the Pope.

Derek Williams '62 wrote that we should have the liturgy in the vernacular of the country because the common layman has no real understanding of the Latin and symbols used and therefore misses the meaning of the liturgy.

On the other hand, Howard Mentzer

'62 said that Latin has been the tradition of the Church. Its solemnity is universal, wherever you go throughout the world you can always find the Mass in Latin not in some totally unfamiliar language, such as Polish.

It would be interesting to find out what your parents think about it. Your teachers may differ. Undoubtedly you will differ with some of your fellow students.

Use standard size typing paper to type the letter; certainly the boys can all find a girl to type it for them, and it's an excuse to see her at night.

Address the letters to:

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# knigh mare

By Mike McCarthy

Dan Brookhart '62, whose locker room antics have earned him the title of "Dangerous Dan," recently was awarded a twist of fate. After "taking care" of his teammates' clothes, Dan departed to the gym for practice. In all his haste, Dan forgot to lock his locker, much to the delight of his teammates who returned to the locker room earlier than Dan. Upon opening his locker, Dan found it is better to give than to receive.

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"I can't wait till tomorrow," said senior Sue Welch delightfully, " 'cause I get cuter every day." Sue is in all her glory during a leap year.

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Senior editor Stan Maliszewski planned to drive Fr. William F. Wiebler's car to the recent Clinton Press confab. Father handed Stan the keys and left for Wilton Junction that night. Stan was to drive up the next morning. In order to foil thieves during the night, Stan locked the car door by pulling down on the handle. As he prepared to enter the car the next morning, Stan was surprised to discover that the key to the car's ignition would not open the door, but another key was needed. Even the smartest people make mistakes. Barb Niemeyer '62 bailed Stan out.

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The difficult and controversial selection of a theme for the Christmas Formal was met by Sister Mary Diana, BVM. "How about Snowman is an Island?" Sister quipped.

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"What did the tree say to the axe?" inquired Evie Panther '62. After getting a negative reply from yours truly, she responded, "I am stumped."

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The following is a confirmation of a letter received by Santa Claus from McAuley Hall

"In accordance with their fervid requests, Father Weeg and Leveling will each get their thick, black, curly toupees. A portable IBM machine will go to Father Boyle. Father Kraus will get the beautiful Irish shamrock he has been wanting. A new set of elevator shoes will be awarded to Father Eldred. To top it off, Father Perry will get that winning football season for Notre Dame next year.

A merry Christmas to all

S. Claus

## Sleigh Hovers Over AHS

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the school, not a creature was stirring, not even a ghoul. Report cards were placed in the office with care, sporting grades far better, far better than fair.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my desk to see what was the matter. When what to my wondering eyes should appear, but a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer. A little old driver, so lively and quick; I thought for a moment it must be a trick. Students with straight A's, as smart as they came, he whistled and shouted and called them by name:

On Dasher, On Dancer, Stan Maliszewski '62; Barb Lewis '63; Jan Adamsky, Barb Bauer, Mary Motto, Louise Puls, and Darrell Warta, all '64; frosh Mary Ann Hartkop, Teresa Schwab, and James Phelps.

### Seniors

Up to the principals' offices they flew with a sleigh full of second honors for boys and girls too. They were seniors Barb Niemeyer, Jane Wells, Janet Barrett, Sharon Barta, Jane Molyneaux, Cynthia Bunge, Diane Buxton, Ann Humphrey, Candie Cox, Betty LaFayette, Kay Campbell, Louise DeZorzi, Loretta Neufeld, Evie Panther, Claudia Townsend, Dave Huyette, Gerald Keteelaar, Pat Murray, Doug Duda, Gerald Kealey, Mike McCarthy, Don Miller, John Fiese, John Lammers, Bill Tiedje, Bob Deluhery, Jim Keefe, John Lepetit, Phil Miclot, and Robert Sprosty.

### Juniors

Included were juniors Pat Hammond, Mary More, Mary Ann Soenke, Suzie Wells, Sally Cogan, Kathy McDermott, Joan Berendes, Mardi Gaydos, Diane O'Toole, Denise Hoie, Carol Concannon, Jeanne Genzel, Marcia Kohler, Bob Schwarz, Bruce Borne, Jeff Gadiant,

Gerald Schutte, Mike Flynn, Pat McGreevy, Thomas Cusack, and Jim Kellenberger.

### Sophomores

The sophs were Kathy Barrett, Geri Barrett, Phyllis Hart, Jerelyn Ryan, Janet Abbas, Susan Mohler, Mary Stanger, Barb Beyer, Mary Buckwalter, Nancy DeJulius, Sharon Molyneaux, Karen Ohland, Julie Joyce, Cynthia Phillips, Susan Thorpe, Judy Anderson, Jackie Bald, Eileen McCarthy, Mary Anne Nix, Mary Schwarz, James Logan, John Genzel, Michael Townsend, John Loihl, David Ryder, Charles Foster, John Hasenmiller, Phil Pash, and Thomas Post.

### Freshmen

Frosh included Teresa Davis, Barb DeZorzi, Suzanne Schebler, Mary Wahlig, Eileen Figel, Kathy Morrissey, Kathy Schoffert, Joann Eischeid, Barb Herman, Thomasine Holterhaus, Nancy Nagle, Phyllis Stanger, Susan Barney, Michelle Chenoweth, Marykay Dudek, Mary Gimbel, Barb Grell, Kathy Herd, Mary Hogerty, Margaret Walatka, Susan Lawlor, Steve Murray, John Periolat, Bob Townsend, Mike Smith, Glynn Davis, James Lunardi, Leon DeJulius, Steve Gadiant, John Kearney, Steven Vanderhorn, James Cawley, William Cooper, Walter Foley, and Anthony Navarro.

With a wink of his eye and a twist of his head, they soon came to know they had nothing to dread. He was heard to exclaim as he rode out of sight, "Merry Christmas and congratulations, Assumptionites."

THE "A's" COME rolling in for sophs Louise Puls, Barb Bauer, Jan Adamsky and Mary Motto, who donned the boys' letter sweaters and jackets for the occasion. Darrell Warta '64 is not pictured — he was tired!







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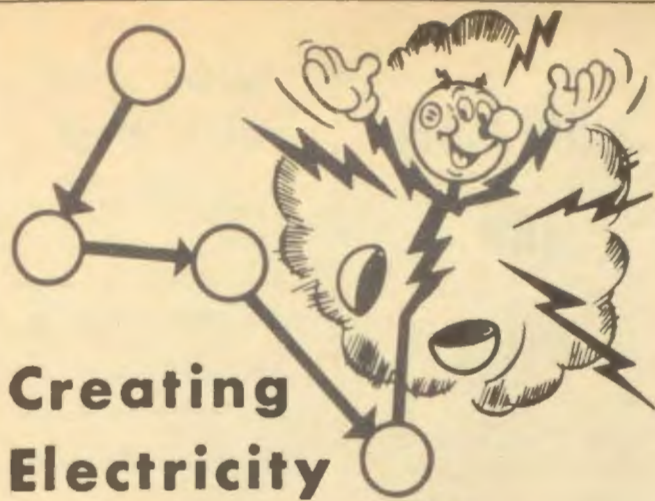
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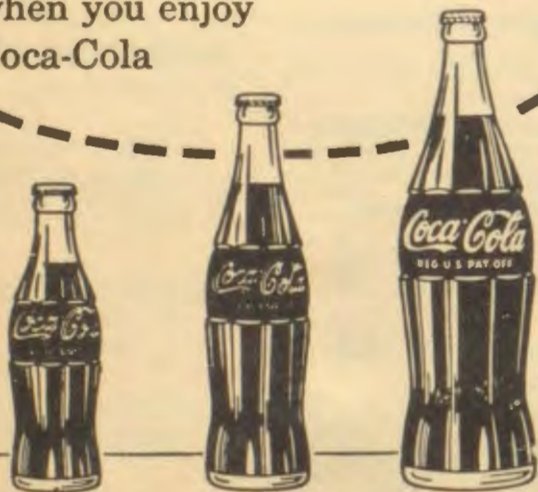
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David Huyette, left, Assumption High student, looks over material from the Atomic Energy Commission. With him are some of the other delegates to the National Youth Conference on the Atom from this area, left to right, David Loren, Central; Barbara Frick, West; and Michael Wonio, Bettendorf.

## Assumption High Student Company guest at Youth Conference on Atom

David Huyette was one of 600 outstanding science students and instructors in attendance at the 1961 National Youth Conference on the Atom held November 9-11 at The Palmer House, Chicago.

Thirteen students and two instructors from areas served by Iowa-Illinois attended as guest of the Company. The purpose of this annual conference was to present to a group of the nation's most gifted students and teachers au-

thentic information on the various peaceful applications of the atom and to advance interest in science study. Delegates attended general sessions conducted by leading nuclear authorities and toured both the Argonne National Laboratory and the Dresden Nuclear Power Station.

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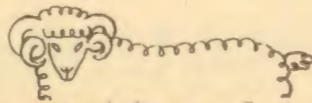
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# KNIGHT BEACON

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**PERSONIFYING THE THEME** of the lay apostolate for this trial issue, a Mercy-ette wheels a patient into the Mercy hospital chapel for a visit. Many Assumption girls are performing their corporal works of mercy through this lay organization. Other forms of the apostolate are reported throughout this issue.



## Beacon Vies With Journal

Two seniors — Don Miller and Dave Huyette — will debate the respective merits of Assumption's **Knight Beacon** and the **Journal** of Pius XI high school, Milwaukee, Wis., in the fourth annual newspaper trial, Monday, Feb. 26, 8:30 am, in the aud.

Both publications have devoted their January issues to the theme of the lay apostolate, and they will be judged on the basis of their presentation. Prior to the trial, copies of the **Journal** will be distributed to juniors and seniors for their perusal.

Six **Journal** staff members and their advisor will participate in the trial. Editors from several area schools will act as a jury. Later in the day, they will attend a workshop at the **Time-Democrat** plant in downtown Davenport.

"Just as athletic teams are spurred to greater heights because of competition with superior teams, the staff feels a challenge in this verbal contest with the excellent publication of Pius XI high school," commented Fr. William F. Wiebler, KB advisor.

In previous years the **Beacon** has been convicted twice and acquitted once on other charges. Last year the editors were found guilty of murdering Grandma Grammar. This year senior editors Stan Maliszewski and Barb Niemeyer will be defendants.

## Honor Society

### *Ever See A Spelling Bee?*

Can you correctly spell etymology, zephyr, paraphernalia, or rendezvous?

If so, you'll be given a chance to prove your ability in the National Honor Society's annual spelling bee. Sixteen finalists will match wits at an all-school assembly Feb. 22.

**Preliminary bees held Feb. 1-2 will select two contestants from each English class to vie in semi-final rounds Feb. 5-6. The top four students from each class (two boys and two girls) will participate in the final round.**

Students from Marycrest and St. Ambrose will judge the finals. Last year's winner, Janet Barrett '62, will act as honorary judge and present the awards.

Besides winning an award, the winner will be featured in a personality profile to appear in the **Knight Beacon March** issue.

Contestants may neither repeat nor correct a letter. Definitions may be requested and capitalizations of proper nouns must be specified. Any disputes will be settled by **Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary**.

At the Bee the NHS also will award certificates to scholars who merited a 3.0 average on their semester report cards.



# Girls Twist

Along with peppermint uniforms, 104 high school girls recently have donned the new title of "Mercy-ette." These student volunteers do various jobs for the nurses and sisters at Mercy Hospital. In attractive candy-stripped uniforms the girls work from 4-6 pm one afternoon each week after school and an occasional week-end shift.

Their numerous duties range from accompanying new patients from the admitting desk to their room to arranging flowers and feeding patients.

"Their youthful spirit encourages the patients and makes them happy," smiles Sr. Mary William Mary, second floor supervisor. Duties such as filling water glasses and delivering supper trays, answering the phone at the information desk, and delivering messages are all performed by the students without pay. "We spend much of our time trying to cheer the older patients," says Carol Miley '65.



Barb Lewis '63

## KNIGHTMARE

Have you heard about the girl who sent away for the book *How to Hug* and got back the seventh volume of a set of encyclopedias?

# Troubadours Sell School

Girls have won several awards in past weeks. Barb Lewis '63, for instance, placed second in the Voice of Democracy Speech contest.

Thirteen junior girls also have received certificates of publication from the National High School Poetry Association. Their poems will be published this spring in the annual anthology, *Young America Sings*. The poems dealt chiefly with winter and autumn description.

Haikus and cinquains were written by Claudette Short, Barb Lewis and Jo Luther, while Diane O'Toole and Peg Pohlmann used free verse and metric forms. Others wrote rhymed lines.

"The poems were written as an English assignment, and then we decided to submit them," explained Linda Cannon.

Kathy McDermott and Sally Cogan wrote of a winter evening and a winter road. "Wind" was the title Shirley Wedekind and Mary Ellen Feddersen chose.

Others accepted poems were contributed by Kathy McKenna, Jeanne Ehrecke and Pat Hammond.

# Graduates Serenade Alfredo

"We shall return!" Sound familiar? No, it isn't a quote from General MacArthur; it's the promise of four former Assumptionites. And they shall return . . . Feb. 12.

The Concert Chorus and the Marinotes of St. Mary's College, Winona, will entertain the student body then for the benefit of foreign exchange student Alfredo Omiste '62. Returning '61 graduates Paul Berendes, Dave Cratty and Paul Bauer are members of the chorus, while Gunars Norkus '59 is with the lighting committee on the tours.

"Last year Gunny sang with the chorus but he has moved on to bigger and better things this year," quipped Paul Bauer, who also plays trumpet in the dance band, the Marinotes.

The choral group of 50 male voices is under the direction of Brother H. Paul, FSC. In the last nine years they have given 400 concerts in such diverse places as Tulsa, Okla., Memphis, Tenn., Mobile, Ala., and now Assumption high school. Both the Chorus and the Marinotes have recorded several LP albums.

Each school year the Chorus and Marinotes make three or four extended tours. Because none of the members are music majors, traveling is scheduled over weekends and during midterm and Easter vacations. Since the second week in September, both the chorus and dance band have been practicing six to eight hours a week in preparation for the tours. It's a lot of work according to Dave Cratty, "but a lot of fun, particularly in the chorus," he says.

Brother Paul has planned the program "to give an entertaining and liberal sample of all types of music." What will they sing? "That is a very good

question — nobody knows the answer. Frequently we don't find that out until after the concert starts. Brother Paul frequently uses his own judgment, depending on the reaction of the audience. The same is true of the band numbers," replies Paul Bauer.

A sample of the repertoire ranges from Beethoven's *Hallelujah* to *Dry Bones* to Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Oklahoma*. The Marinotes complement the chorus on several numbers.

The Student Council will use the proceeds of this concert to finance Alfredo's stay in Davenport. "The program will cost 35¢," comments SGA vice-president Kathy Ceurvorst '62. "We think you'll get your money's worth."

Once upon a time in Arabia there was a very poor slave named Benny. One day a geni appeared to him and said he would make Benny the richest man in the world, provided he didn't shave from that day on. If Benny was ever to shave, he would turn into an urn. So Benny lived happily for 14 years. Finally he got tired of tripping over his beard, and shaved it off; immediately he turned into an urn. MORAL: a Benny shaved is a Benny urned.

Chorus & Dance Band  
Concert - Feb. 12

Faculty Meeting - 7th.

Valentine's Day - 14

February - Catholic Press Month

Feb. 22 - Spelling Contest

Press Assembly  
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M.T.



# D-Day is April 19; Will Caissons Roll?

Nine busloads of noisy, excited students rumble by. Could this be a renewal of the 1961 state tournament escapade? Are the Regina and St. Mary's students out to revive former diocesan athletic rivalry?

No, these consorts are representatives of diocesan parishes, heading toward Sacred Heart Cathedral for the Holy Thursday Mass of the Chrism. How did they get there?

At present this scene is more a possibility than a probability but student effort can reverse the order. Last year, due much to the persuasive efforts of the boys' senior English classes and YCS, 300 Assumption students voluntarily rolled out of bed an hour early to become a part of this ceremony. In a private Knight Beacon interview, Bishop Ralph L. Hayes expressed his appreciation but regretted that many of his flock were missing — only Davenport was represented.

"I noticed the increase in number but I would like to see many more there. You have to remember, though, the parishes have their own Holy Thursday services which they would like attended but I would like to see a few representatives from as many parishes as possible come to the cathedral," Bishop Hayes declared.

Greater attendance was not possible then, of course, because no one organized it. But, as Fr. Arthur Perry concludes, "The Mass of the Chrism represents the fullness of the Mystical Body as well as the Priesthood. For this reason all, indirectly or directly, have a role in the Mass, and since the parishioners will be the recipients of the blessed oils it would be a good idea if representatives could make arrangements to be present."

In a unique and colorful ceremony Bishop Hayes, attended by his priests, blesses the Holy Oils to be used throughout the year in conferring Baptism and Extreme Unction, and consecrates the Chrism for Confirmation. These oils and chrism will also be used in Holy Orders and the consecration of altars.

It is at this time that the bishop possesses the fullness of the priesthood and displays his authority as the shepherd of the diocese. It is at this Mass that he calls for his flock. Too many fail to see his beacon. To brighten his beacon, the Knight Beacon flips on its light.

Neighbor diocesan schools could cooperate with AHS. Perhaps representatives could be invited from the schools' Sodality, newspaper staff, YCS group or Student Council. The groups could make arrangements for buses or car caravans as they do for basketball



## KNIGHT BEACON

"As a Beacon in the Night"

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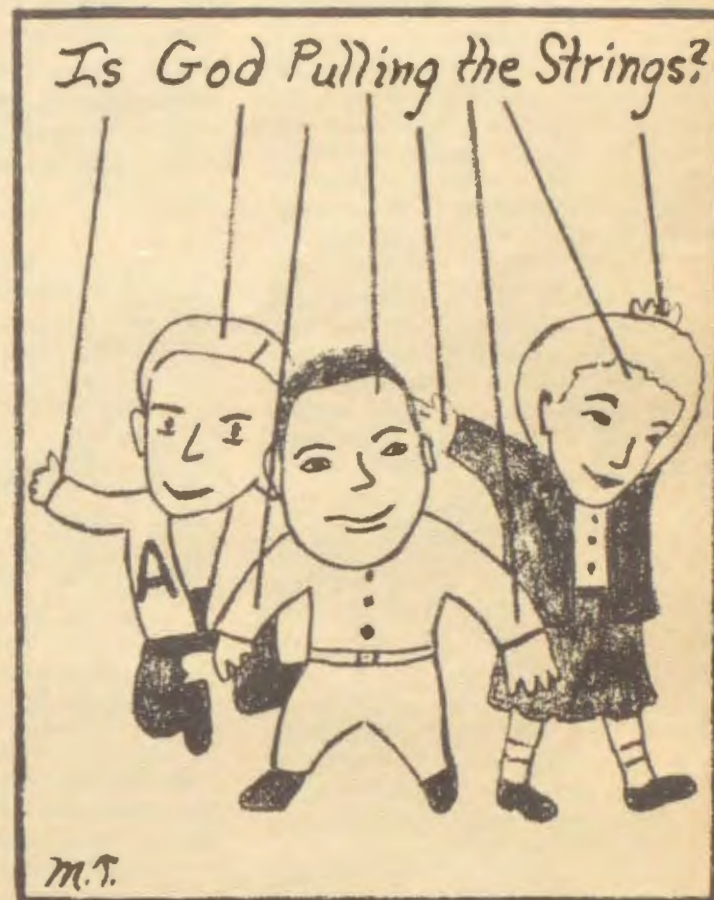


games. AHS's Student Council could act as host, sending out invitations and arranging for breakfast after Mass.

Though Holy Thursday is not until April 19, preparation should begin immediately. School authorities must be notified in advance so transportation can be provided.

This project would unite the entire diocese with its bishop and priests. It would be fun too.

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## Cross 'n Crown

## While Assumption Sleeps

Every school day at 6 am, two lay apostles — Mike and Pat Murphy — awake from their sweet dreams to prepare for their long school day.

Simultaneously, Fr. William Stratman is getting ready to leave McAuley Hall for the chapel at Assumption.

The Murphys arrive at McAuley Hall around 7:00. Punctually, Father Stratman comes out and the three depart for Assumption. After the servers put their belongings into their lockers, they hurry to the library to vest the spiritual director.

A few minutes before Mass several student participants straggle into the chapel. At 7:30 Father, preceded by Mike and Pat, enters the chapel to start the dialogue Mass.

When Mass is completed, Father returns to the library to remove his vestments, while the students go their own way. Those who received Communion eat their breakfast in the cafeteria.

And so begins another school day at AHS.



## Spanish Class

# Old Hat Doesn't Fit

Do you hear Spanish in the halls? at the lunch tables? at a basketball game?

If so, you are probably hearing Assumption's Spanish students practicing their conversations. These students find the study of this language more interesting because of the new approaches employed by Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM, and Fr. Louis Colonnese.

In a Dec. 19 Knight Beacon editorial Barb Niemeyer '62 observed, "The old grammar technique of teaching languages is 'old-hat.' Instead of drilling on conjunctions and sentence structure, the modern linguist learns through repetition — the fundamental principal of the language lab."

Both teachers have improvised their own "language labs" — stressing conversation rather than reading *Primera Vista* or *El Camino Real*. Sister comments, "In this way, the class receives the correct pronunciation of a larger number of vocabulary words."

Assumption's foreign-exchange student, Alfredo Omiste '62, adds color to the boys' class. "Now we get a chance to hear more than one person, our teacher, speak Spanish. This helps our comprehension greatly," observes Ronnie Rodriguez '63.

On Sister's blue classroom walls are Spanish and Mexican travel posters splashed with brightly-clothed matadors and pretty senioritas. A Spanish proverb or riddle, to be deciphered by the class, is on the bulletin board.

Not only colorful surroundings provoke enthusiastic responses from students, but as Juanita Walz '63 comments, "Sister M. Eustella's attitude, her patience and understanding, always encourages us to do our best."

The girls' Spanish classes are buying a series of individual records — one side with conversation, and the other side with songs. The small records are to be used at home for extra practice.

"They only cost a quarter and we'll use them in second year Spanish too," philosophizes Angie More '63.

"Although this is a more advanced record series, I have used them because I think the classes are ready for them," adds Sister.

Sister M. Eustella sometimes uses a tape recorder to test the students' comprehension, but more often the class hears gay Spanish songs played on the piano by Sr. Mary John Therese or Sr. Mary Helen Regine, BVM.

"Singing these songs and discussing the culture of Spanish-speaking peoples broaden our knowledge and create an interest I've never known in school," Kathy Wiland '63 sums up this popular course.

**HILARIOUSLY, Ruth Connell '65, Doris Leibold and Angie More, both '63, approach the serious subject of their YCS meeting.**



## 12 Apostles Renovate Cosgrove

"It's so big! It will take forever to fix up this place," exclaimed YCSer Barb Lewis '63 when she first saw the huge, vacant third floor of the Cosgrove Building donated by the bishop.

Since May, volunteers under the direction of Sr. Mary Ann Marita, CHM, and Fr. William F. Wiebler, have transformed the third floor into the present Office of the Lay Apostolate. Most of the paints, tile and furnishings were donated by business concerns, YCSers and other interested individuals.

Volunteers for the reconstruction included students, teachers, papal volunteers, nuns and priests. Assumption students Jack Hogan, John McGrath and Mardi Gaydos, all '63, Jane Molyneaux '62, Miss Dorothy Cubric (third grade teacher), Loretta Andaya (papal volunteer) and Mike Kernan '61 (now studying to be a Maryknoller), are only a few who helped in the extensive remodeling. As Sister M. Ann Marita noted, "So many helped that it is almost unfair to mention any of them in particular."

Work began as layers of black dirt were scrubbed from the ceiling of the future conference room. Floors were washed and waxed and dingy walls were painted. The focal point of the room — a beautiful glasstop conference table — was donated by the Blackhawk Hotel.

Workers then moved to the secretaries' room, the domain of Sister M. Ann Marita. Jane Molyneaux '62, Davenport YCS Federation Secretary and familiar sight at the office, affirms, "It's Sister who keeps this office running. If ever you don't know what to do, you

always go to Sister." Sister's sunny and spacious office has bright green tile and a long counter lining two walls. Jane also noted "personal touches" which Sister adds — numerous colorful flower pots.

After completing the smaller offices the volunteers moved into the huge room occupying the greatest part of the floor. Juniors Jack Hogan and John McGrath scrubbed layers of black dirt from the vast ceiling. Mike Kernan sanded the floor. Miss Cubric and Mardi washed windows. Loretta and Mary Jo Ryan reupholstered furniture. Sr. M. Ann Marita helped everyone.

As all healthy workers do get hungry, Sister usually had some rolls or potato chips on hand. At noontime everyone swung down from the ceiling and left their buckets for a hamburger-coke lunch.

The Lay Apostolate Office is more than plaster, paint and varnish, however. Under the direction of Fr. Louis Colonnese, it serves as the center of the diocesan lay apostolate, YCS federation and PAVLA.

Father Colonnese and many volunteers worked for several months, assembling speakers, preparing schedules, assigning rooms and classifying registrations for the August Midwest Regional Study Week at St. Ambrose. The latest project was the distribution of 600 Christmas messages to people connected with the Lay Apostolate throughout the country. The messages, written by Father Colonnese, were stamped and addressed by six Assumption seniors.

Although the place is now fixed up, the real work has only begun.



# Blackrobe Probes Unkown

Boiling water that isn't hot! Metals that burst into flames when placed in water! No, this isn't witchcraft; it's chemistry.

Sr. Mary Diana, BVM, is now engrossed in her third year teaching chemistry at Assumption. Previously she taught at St. Anthony's in Dubuque.

In addition to freshman algebra and junior religion, Sister M. Diana instructs four chemistry classes daily. Except for a few instances, she has two classes of girls and two of boys. Sister feels that this arrangement could be improved if the classes were more evenly combined. Juniors Joe Kehoe, Dick Foster and Mike Fitzsimmons are the only boys in a class of girls.

"After two years of being in classes which were made up entirely of boys, it seemed a little strange at first. Girls do things a little differently in lab, but in the classroom they do an excellent job," states Joe.

The popular chemistry teacher explained that, in lab, girls are better at careful things such as weighing and boys are better at assembling apparatus. Together they are faster and more accurate.

This isn't always true, however. When finding the percentage of oxygen in potassium chlorate, Mardi Gaydos and Joe Kehoe '63 were the only ones in the class to have a reaction that gained when it was supposed to lose.

Accidents are infrequent in Sister's classes. "Carelessness is the most common cause of accidents in the lab," Sister claims. "Slight cuts and burns are usually the extent of most injuries."

Juniors Tom Moore and Terry Sarver both received nasty cuts when the thistle tubes they were inserting in rubber stoppers broke. The fragile glass tubes must be coated with glycerin and slowly worked through the hole . . . they went too fast.

In another experiment John Molyneaux '63 heated too much red phosphorus and his table was soon engulfed in smoke and flames. It was rapidly put under control, however, by Tom Moore at the expense of two good towels.

Bob Schwarz '63 affirms, "Since chemistry is an interesting and challenging course, I enjoy it. Being able to work in the laboratory makes classwork easier to understand."

When Sister asked for a volunteer to help her in an experiment, Dick Braun eagerly offered his services. Patiently Sister claimed that boiling water could be poured over Dick's hand without causing him pain or discomfort. By using a narrow-necked bottle, plugging the flask, inverting it and then cooling the bottle with water, a small vacuum was made, allowing the liquid to boil at a lower temperature. Although Dick affirmed that the water was no warmer than hot tap water, he admitted that at first he was wary of the outcome.

An avid fan of all athletics, the black-robed chemist watched the boys' progress during the summer and fall football practice sessions. One day class was delayed a few minutes while steller half-back Mick Trinite '62 explained how a trap-play works. The lecture completed, Sister went back to teaching isotopes and acids.



## YCS

# Action Pays Off

Where are you planning to go to college? How much will it cost? What subjects can you take?

Last year Fr. Arthur Perry's sophomore YCS group realized many of the upperclassmen at Assumption were unable to answer these and many other questions concerning their college education. The boys discovered through surveys that many of the seniors had not yet started to make any plans for college.

Therefore, they decided to request all the Catholic colleges in America to send information on their respective schools. Joe Nahra '63, the group leader, borrowed the "Official Guide to Catholic Educational Institutions and Religious Communities in the United States" from Sr. Mary Borgia, BVM, from which he made a list for each of the group's members.

Mike Murphy wrote a standardized letter which was sent to each of the colleges. Each boy was responsible for at least 25 institutions, asking for five copies of pamphlets from each school. The response was excellent — about 75% of the 200-plus colleges replied. A large display was soon set up and made available to all interested students in the school library.

Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM, said of the action, "I think it was a benefit to a great number of students. The literature caused many students to ask questions, and several requested to take the material out of the library to read."

Greg Cusack '61 admitted that these catalogs helped him in his decision to attend Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

Many schools were more than willing to co-operate. Sr. Mary Margaret, registrar of Holy Family College in Torresdale, Pa., wrote, "Thank you for your interest in Holy Family College and for letting us have the opportunity to participate in your library display."

This year the remainder of the group — juniors Don Chenoweth, Don Berntsen, Dick Mullen, Jack Wohlbers, Joe Kubatska and Art Sunderbruch — under the direction of Fr. Marvin Mottet, plan to distribute the literature in junior and senior homerooms.

Joe Nahra observes, "I think this was a good action, by far our best of the year. Father Perry agreed with us that college is important to us and therefore we must think about it and plan for it while we still have time in high school."

**"NOW THIS WHICHAMAJIGGER hooks on to that whatchamacallit," elucidates Sr. Mary Diana to Tom Moore and John Molyneaux, both '63.**



# The Apostolate



"I THINK THAT'S EVERYTHING," asserts Harold Fredenburg '64 as Mike Morrison '64 places the last articles in the shopping basket.

↓ REVERSING THE OLD proverb "money is the root of all evil," Assumption students exchange the filthy lucre to treat a needy family.



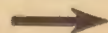
↑ WONDERING WHAT THEIR reception will be, Mike Morrison and Dave White '64 arrive with a real feast at the door of their destination.



↑ FINDING THE CANDY first, these pleased children examine the remaining contents of the overflowing baskets in picture at top of opposite page.



↑ "HOPE THIS IS enough milk for all five children," thinks soph Peter Beilstein wistfully, as he puts the milk in the refrigerator.







↑ EVEN THIS SMALL doll from "big guy" Bruce Borne '63 gets a big reception from these little girls.

MERCY-ETTE SUE Thorpe '64 checks the books after taking inventory. ↓





# Progressive Priest Stimulates Students

Disc jockey, retreat master, Communist, monitor, friend, moderator, billboard artist, mountain mover — these are the roles Fr. Marvin Mottet, religion instructor at Assumption High School, assumes at various times.

For instance, Father's a disc jockey during study periods. He keeps his students contented by spinning records — Montavani for reading, Victory at Sea for writing. The seniors agree that Father's "mood" music is conducive to work.

In the past three years Father has sent about 60 of his students up the river. About 80 miles up, to be exact; these students attended a retreat at New Melleray Monastery near Dubuque, Iowa. Father Mottet annually sponsors the Trappist retreat.

Father, a Communist! This is a big statement, but that's what was rumored after he presented a film concerned with the racial problem. Father's phone buzzed — because some Catholic parents thought that he was stepping out-of-bounds in making the students aware of problems parents have helped to develop.

This priest with the quiet manner has a strange urge to be a study hall monitor — so some of his students think. No matter how much class time may be cut because of a pep rally or some other event, still they are always allot-

ted a study period before class, as the Guidepost requires.

Being a friend is one of Father's most important jobs. Supplying books from his own personal library, he has helped many a student. Another task Father took on was to see that each year several students became acquainted with the short breviary in English (this doesn't make his wallet any fatter, either). Letters from these students in college or in later life are the thanks he gets.

Stretching his busy schedule still farther, the Mt. St. Bernard alumnus acts as moderator for a couple of YCS groups and as chaplain for the Catholic Interracial Council.

Brightening his classes are the posters and bulletin boards, which are always kept up-to-date. You can imagine looking up on a test day and seeing "Rest in Peace" posted on the wall. The

bulletin boards have scholarship notices, and articles of interest to students . . . even Father's musty jokes.

Father could be called the ant who digs away at the mountain so that he can move it — a grain at a time, but moved it will be. For example, Father is active in the race problem. Davenport is thought to have no prejudice. However, as Father pointed out when he was asked to join the K of C's, of all the Catholic Negroes that are very active in the Church, not one Negro had been admitted to this organization — even though they had many recommendations. Well, now not only is Father a member of the KC's but seven new Negro members as well have joined.

It's one thing to teach religion, but Father goes farther than the words of a lecture. He goes out and does more than his share of solving the problems facing the laity . . . he's a clerical apostle.

## Seniors Set For Mugshots

At last count 202 seniors were lining up outside Frederick's studio at 1612 Harrison St. for their "mug shots." These pictures will appear in the senior issue of the **Knight Beacon**.

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Boys should wear a suit coat or sports jacket with a white shirt and tie, he said. Also, it would be wise to bring a comb.

The principals ask that seniors be punctual in keeping their appointments and that they notify the studio if, for any reason, they must cancel an appearance.

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## Apostolate

# CIC, FEB, YCS, AHS Appear In Alphabet Soup

Race discrimination at Assumption? Ask any Negro Assumptionite — Warren Mason '65, Veronica Moore '63, Derek Williams '62, or Edwina Roberts '64 — and they reply, "Racial prejudice and discrimination is a problem, even at AHS."

The average white student says, "No, I'm not prejudiced against Negroes." But the same student's parents, asked a day later what they would do if a Negro moved next door, reply, "We'd move out of there as fast as we could."

Therefore, what have conscientious Davenporters done to solve the problem of racial justice? In 1957 Catholic laymen organized the Davenport Diocesan Catholic Interracial Council. Dr. Matthew M. McMahon, president of the council, explains, "The council was started to promote racial equality

as well as peace and justice, and it is opposed to economic and political discrimination."

At present, the council is trying to get a municipal human relations commission and the FEB (Fair Employment Practice) Act in Davenport. Its long range plan is abolishment of discrimination in housing and the creation of equal job opportunities. People of all faiths may join the council to work for racial charity.

"The race problem is the largest single problem facing the US. It is doing us far more damage than anything else. We should first clear prejudice from our federal capital," says Derek Williams, AHS senior. "Catholics in Davenport are either passive or negative, but the CIC gives them a chance to put into practice their ideals and doctrine — 'Love your neighbor.' It is a chance to take a definite, positive step to stand up and be counted on the right side as Catholics. We must be pro-Christian and pro-democratic to defeat communism."

"The biggest problem is education in social justice," adds Fr. Marvin Mottet, chaplain of the council. "Students identifying themselves with the council will help with projects such as selling tickets to Raisin in the Sun; they will bring in other members and change attitudes; and they will be ready at all times to practice the Church's social doctrine."

While discussing the problem, Derek notes, "Once I went to a Davenport restaurant. The waiter said I could buy food, but that I would have to eat it elsewhere."

"One student I know isn't prejudiced, but his parents are. Many students associate with Negroes at school and athletic programs, but never invite them to their homes or go out with them socially. It's all right just to be friends. Attitudes are subtle. We should start examining our own actions."

AHS Negro girls have also noticed discrimination. "I've never ventured out to try new eating places," comments Edwina Roberts '64. "When I was young, a little girl yelled at me, 'Hey nigger, come here.' Not knowing any better, I replied, 'My name isn't that; it's Edwina Patricia Roberts.'"

"However, last summer when I applied for a job at Palmer's Chiropractic College, I was hired right away even though there were others on the list. My mother knew the employer I worked for."

Young Christian Student groups have observed such race problems at Assumption and in Davenport. Fr. Arthur Perry's group noted them and decided to back the Interracial Council 100%. The seven members have joined and

each is to get four new members. Other groups have proposed similar actions.

AHS junior Don Chenoweth affirms, "I joined the CIC because I am in YCS, but also because I recognize the problem of racial discrimination. As a YCSer I became more aware of the problem and saw that the council was making positive strides. It was my duty to join."

## P.S.

### Helmut Writes

by Mike Schebler

"How well will I adjust to the culture of my native country after being in the US for a year?" ponders many a foreign exchange student on the last leg of his journey.

Helmut Steiner '61, who lived with me last year, has this exact problem, as he indicates in his letters from Vienna, Austria.

He admits that he misses most my little sister, Teri. "Please write about Teri because — believe it or not — I am missing her pretty much." Nevertheless, he said that it was wonderful to be back in Vienna again.


From his second letter it was apparent that he misses Davenport as much as Teri, for he wrote, "I bet not too much has changed since I left, and why should it? But it's cool to be in Vienna again. . ."

"Very often Helmut is thinking and talking about your family, Teri, the house, the school and the many beautiful things he was able to experience. America, and Davenport especially, will be always a second home to Helmut," explains Mrs. Steiner.

Special experiences remain uppermost in Helmut's mind. "Often when I listen to my records at night I am remembering the basement, the Hi-Fi, evenings in front of the TV, Bonanza, Pepsi, steak, baseball, comics, American cars, Assumption, Jim Rymars, cereal, Bugs Bunny, Huckleberry Hound, The Flintstones, Kennedy, Father Colonnese, the Mississippi, Sister M. Laurent, USA . . . 1961!"

"Life here is now so different from the life in the States, I can't say if it is better or worse, and I am trying now to find out what it is because I am now in a position to do that. I am very confused," continues Helmut.

As indicated Helmut finds his former environment difficult to get used to. He has seen things that have astonished him and, although he still tries to retain the ideas of his native culture, many new impressions have found their way into his life, as Alfredo Omiste '62 is learning.



**DILIGENTLY WORKING ON** material dealing with the lay apostolate in Davenport is Fr. Marvin Mottet, chaplain of the Diocesan Catholic Interracial Council and YCS moderator at Assumption.



## Interview

# Boss Ratifies YCS

(Editor's Note: Two seniors — Don Miller and Patricia Nemmers — visited the bishop in his Clay Street residence over the Christmas holidays. Bishop Hayes' views on the lay apostolate appear as they recorded them.)

**Don:** "What about the criticism of YCS that 'teenagers have no right to discuss the problems of the world?'"

**Bishop:** "Absolutely invalid! Although you will not be faced with the exact problems, you will in the future have to face basically the same problems in your adult life. The mistake is not in discussing and being aware of these problems, but rather in believing you know how to solve them better than the experienced. Experience, you know, is the best teacher. It is therefore your right and duty to concern yourself and study the problems and their solution."

**Pat:** "What about the criticism that YCS deters vocations?"

**Bishop:** "I can appreciate the fact that YCS is not a vocation club. It does, however, give young people the incentive to think about vocations. There is no doubt in my mind as to the future intellectual and spiritual encouragement received. Fulfilling the necessary conditions, YCS provides training through the meetings and provides opportunities to learn and know the faith better. It instills in youth the thought of the duty involved."

"Furthermore, I know this criticism to be untrue. In the last three years while YCS has been active, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of men going to the priesthood from the Davenport Diocese. In fact, the number has almost doubled. Facts and statistics prove it has not had a deterrent effect. I feel, therefore, that the YCS movement has had a positive influence on the increasing number of vocations."

**Don:** "What is the Lay Apostolate?"

**Bishop:** "Since Christ is no longer physically with us, and His priests can handle only so much, He needs all of us to carry on His work, Christianizing the world. The basis is that everyone is an apostle of Christ . . . not just the original 12 or 72 but all baptized and, especially, confirmed are apostles."

"The lay apostolate is the cooperation of lay people (men and women) in the work of Christ and His Church. Everyone should follow His command to participate in His mission. This participation of the laity is under the directing source of the Bishops and cooperates with the hierarchy."

**Pat:** "How does the lay apostolate compare with the lay apostolate in your day?"

**Bishop:** "As a young man and even as

**STILL SOMEWHAT SCARED,** seniors Pat Nemmers and Don Miller discuss the future of the diocesan lay apostolate with the genial Bishop Ralph L. Hayes.



a young priest, I found no such organization as YCS or at least not so named. The reason for this was the lack of realization on the part of the people that they are all apostles of Christ. In the last half century the action of the lay apostolate has again come to the foreground. The chief reason for this resurgence has been the greater emphasis on the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ. Although we did work for the Church 75 years ago, we were not taught that we were a part of the living Body of Christ or that we had to maintain this Body."

**Don:** "Exactly why did you establish the office of the Lay Apostolate in Davenport?"

**Bishop:** "Oftentimes the Bishop takes credit for things he has not actually accomplished. I am not sure that I really did establish the office of the lay apostolate. But the Popes have urged us to do so. The zeal of our priests helped and the demand of lay men and women of the diocese were the deciding factors. The credit is therefore due to the priests and lay people of the diocese."

**Pat:** "Why is the office of the lay apostolate so successful?"

**Bishop:** "There are three reasons for its success: 1) any work will be successful when performed by the Catholic laity; 2) this work is growing and continuing in the formation of apostles for Christ; 3) the actual work done has produced interest and work done for Christ will always be successful."

**Don:** "What can we as Catholic high school students do for the lay apostolate?"

**Bishop:** "Oh, you can do tremendous work. You can be trained or train yourselves intellectually and spiritually to be good leaders. You can produce great results through your good example. Show that you aren't swept along by the current of a modern world. You can solve some of the problems of others with your advice and example. Everyone you come in contact with has a problem and you can quietly help them."

## On Set

# Let 'em Roll

Movies are moving at Assumption from homemade versions to Shakespeare's immortal classic.

Hollywood can expect competition from Bob Hill and Denny Hogan '63 who produced, directed, and filmed the law case. Last year they made a movie and plan more for other classes.

Although the girls don't have a Walt Disney in their midst, they see movies in class. Dial Soap's movie on good grooming gave tips on clothes, hair and nails for the junior girls' guidance classes. Denise Hoie '63 found it "fit in with the course and helped me to get better ideas on the subject."

Movies add spark to religion periods. Fr. Arthur Perry's religion and guidance classes recently saw a movie on segregation. Bob Dauer '63 admits that the movie helped him to understand the problem of segregation and discuss it intelligently.

Algebra II was livened by a movie on the binary system. Apples, oranges, and little stick figures not only taught the system but entertained the students.

"Movies are a definite aid in studying because it's a relief from the humdrum of studies. We look forward to movies and since we like them we retain what they point out," bubbles Martha Holm '63.

Biologists also see movies. "One of the most clearly animated movies I've seen in biology was that of a flower blooming. It made me stop and realize the ingenious plan of nature. From the movie we were able to see the flower from the time it was a bud until it unfolded its last delicate petal," pipes Larelle Hughs '63.

To appreciate the style and perennial popularity of Shakespeare, now being studied in the senior girls' English classes, juniors and seniors viewed *Romeo and Juliet*. Mardi Gaydos '63 quipped, "I loved it; I think our school needs more cultural opportunities."



# Students See, Think, Do Through YCS

"Celebrate my baptismal and confirmation anniversaries!" exclaimed Doris Leibold '63. "I don't even know the date of my Baptism or Confirmation."

This was the reaction of many students when they first joined YCS. It might even be yours. After only a year of YCS membership, students learned the Christian spirit and are now invigorating all family, social, economic, and political life with it.

Last month, freshman Ruth Connell asked Pat Westphal '63, "I've heard a lot about YCS and have certainly become interested in it. Could you tell me, specifically, what is the nature and purpose of YCS?" Although it was difficult to think of the right words at first, Pat told her, "It is the formation of Christian leaders for and through the Christianizing of society."

These two aspects go on at the same time in the technique of formation-through-action. The YCSer is not isolated like a seminarian or novice but is trained right in his own environment. The job of the layman is to Christianize society. Pius XII said that the "consecration of the world to Christ" is essentially the work of the layman. He must learn that he is the Church in the world and that Christ wants to work through him. The layman must also learn that he can do nothing without Christ.

Jane Molyneaux '62, secretary-treasurer of the Davenport Federation of YCS, states, "We can't do the work of Christ unless we live the life of Christ, think the life of Christ, and love with the love of Christ." She stresses a greater

need for prayer, sacraments, retreats, Mass, reading, and spiritual direction of the scriptural quote: "He that abides in me, and I in him, the same bears much fruit; for without me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)

The YCS meeting which she attends is divided into three main parts: the Gospel, the Liturgy, and the Social Inquiry.

At every meeting her group discusses a part of the Gospel and applies it to everyday life. Their aim is to learn what Christ taught, what Christ did, and to see how that teaching can prompt them to think and act His way in their lives.

Whereas in the Gospel the members learn about Christ as He lived on this earth, in the Liturgy they seek to know Him in His Mystical Body as He lives and acts in the world today.

The Social Inquiry consists of the practical process of the "observe, judge, and act." The group observes the various aspects of life in which the members are involved, such as the parish, family, dating, leisure time, neighborhoods, work, and politics. Week by week the group seeks out the mind of Christ in relation to the given situation. Where a gap exists, they plan to effect some degree of change.

For a recent meeting a group of YCS members previously observed what kind of reading other students were doing, whether it was forced or voluntary, and what literature is available at home and on the newstands. The members then judged what types of material they should be reading,

what their attitude toward reading should be, and whether reading can have a definite effect upon their lives. They then planned a YCS book survey for their action.

"It is important that facts on real situations, not just opinions, are brought into the observation. Then actions can be planned on the basis of these facts. Without these facts it is difficult to arrive at a concrete action," stresses senior Derek Williams, national YCS representative of the Davenport Diocese.

A priest's presence at the meetings adds incalculable encouragement, and gives status to the sections' work by the remarks he makes at the meeting. From attendance he gets the feel of the movement.

"I sense the group's deficiencies, its potential, and its development when I see the young people of the parish at their work," feels Fr. Daniel Kelly, assistant pastor at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Observing, judging, and acting as the eyes, mind, and voice of Christ helps the individual members lead a fuller Christian life. Once members of YCS, they become acquainted with the formation of leaders and even the celebration of their Baptismal and Confirmation anniversaries.

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# Jenny Rolls On

While some girls are trying to bowl over boys, junior Jennifer Walatka is winning awards for bowling over pins.

With a 963 for six games, Jenny was named Iowa's second best girl teen bowler by the National Scholarship Merit Tournament. Midway, Hob Nob, and Des Moines were the steps up the ladder she took.

Pressure doesn't bother Jenny until her friends get her off the track — or laughing.

"During the tournament in Des Moines, I was in first place during four games. I didn't believe it until everyone kept reminding me during lunch. Then I became nervous for the fifth game and bowled only a 99. I came back with a high game but it wasn't high enough," Jenny relates.

The girl who feels any sport is loads of fun bowls every Wednesday after school with the Assumption Strickettes. She is treasurer of this Girls' Recreation Associate activity.

"I never bowled until I signed up for the GRA bowling league in freshman year. My biggest bowling thrill was the first game I broke 100," quips Jenny.

"Our team got second in the district and second in the city in 1961, so we're hoping for this or better again this year," comments the 16 year old. Her teammates are juniors Sandy Wertz, Mary B. Snyder and Sharon Morris.

Jenny bowls only for recreation instead of practicing for tournaments because, "I can't prepare for tournaments since one game I'll bowl a 190 and the next will be a 98."

During the Christmas holidays, Jenny competed in the National Mail-O-Graphic team event and such tournaments as the doubles, mixed doubles and singles. On holidays Jenny can sometimes be found bowling three, six or even seven games a day — just for fun.

## Frosh Wanna Win

Coach Tom Sunderbruch's freshman cagers have fared well since losing their opener to Alleman, 39-37. Their record now stands at 5-3.

Their first victim was North Scott, who fell 33-19. Assumption's Jim Cawley scored 18 points.

The Little Knights were nipped 39-38 in their next game against Muscatine Central. Pat Crossen had eight points for Assumption scoring honors. East Moline Orange also squeaked past the frosh 43-41. Dan Dugan scored 16 in a losing cause.

The frosh overtook Muscatine West 43-41, East Moline Black 47-31, and Bettendorf 56-32 and again 47-25. High scorer Dan Dugan collected 59 points in the four games.



RECALLING HIGHLIGHTS of the 1961 State High School Basketball Tournament, juniors Joan Berendes, Kathy McDermott and Peg Pohlmann wonder if they'll make the trip again this year.

# Sportlite

In the last issue of this publication there appeared an article on the pros and cons of athletics in general. The article was greeted by much uproar. The disappointing factor to this writer was the way many of our athletes took the article.

Some took the story as a personal offense and loudly condemned the writer of the opposite view toward athletics. We've often heard that it's the truth that hurts. While we can't say that Assumption's a school over-emphasizing athletics, the athletes must keep an open mind.

To say there's no problem and that anyone discussing the situation is to be condemned reminds me of a frightened ostrich with his head in the sand. Of course there is a problem as in any such undertaking. It's the duty of everyone connected with athletics to dissolve this problem. How? By presenting the athlete as he should be. If the athlete dislikes criticism, he shouldn't give any reason to be criticized. Maintain the principles of athletics at all times, keep an open mind and try for a conversion.

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The boys holding ropes at basketball games, carrying yard markers at football games, ushering at assemblies, and sponsoring other activities are all members of the newly activated AHS Monogram Club. This club consists of all male students who have won varsity letters for athletics.

The main goal of this club is to bring about a keen sense of school spirit where it is properly needed. Officers are seniors Karl Noonan — president, John Fiese — vice president, Jack Hogan — secretary, and Bob Deluhery and Barney Purcell — sergeants-at-arms. Mr. Ron Mellen is the faculty moderator.

The Monogram Club sponsored its first

activity on Dec. 3, a basketball game between the Harlem Magicians and the Davenport Bank Team, which featured coaches Bill McAfoos and Tom Sunderbruch of Assumption and Marshall Stoner of West.

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As tournament time draws near, discussion inevitably drifts back to last year. The big question seems to be "will the Knights return?" At first glance the odds don't look too good but recently we took a second look. Seven of the losses Assumption has absorbed have been by a total of 20 points or, more specifically, an average of 2.8 points a game — not very much.

Another consideration is the district tournament site and teams. The Knights will play the first half of their district tournament in their own gym — a definite advantage. Assumption opens the tournament against Muscatine, a team the Knights have already dumped once. Looking past that game, they'll play the winner of the Davenport West vs. West Liberty. The winner will probably be West. If so, the Falcons will be going for their third win over the Knights this season. A difficult feat anytime, but especially so considering the scores of the first two encounters — a total of six points separation for both.

If the Knights get by those two they will come to what we feel will be their real test. They will venture into the "pit" down on Main Street to play the winner of Central's half of the district, probably Central. Always rough to beat on their own floor, the Blue Devils still have their tournament tradition, plus a fine season. This year, though, the Knights have their own tourney tradition. And here's one source that's not counting the Knights out yet. Better save some time for traveling — around Mar. 20.



# With Four Leaf Clovers, Knights Aim at Regina

With senior post men Karl Noonan and Jerry Ketelaar leading the way, Assumption's hard luck Knights invade Regina of Iowa City this coming Thursday night.

The Regals are led by Larry Rodgers, their all-eastern Iowa football quarterback, who averages close to 15 points a game in Regina's fast break offense.

The next night Assumption returns home to battle one of eastern Iowa's finest clubs — the Regis Royals. Both teams sport a Burlington loss. The Royals fell to Burlington by nine, while Assumption was topped by four.

## Victory String

After four days rest the Knights travel to Bettendorf in an attempt to retain their three year basketball victory string over the Bulldogs. The Knights had previously dumped the Bulldogs, but since their last meeting Bettendorf's high scoring guard, Phil Williamson, has returned to full time action.

## Biv And Stan Lead Way

Paced by senior stars Tom Bivens and Stan Maliszewski, Assumption's wrestling team retains its winning-season record with a 4-2 count.

Bivens captured his first victory in the 95 pound class as a freshman — after only a week's practice. Since then he has defeated 48 opponents in compiling one of the finest records in Assumption's four year history.

So far this season Tom has recorded a 5-1 slate, his only loss being a 3-1 decision to Central's scrappy Bernie Powers.

Maliszewski, who owns a 31-9-2 mark, including seven wins this season, led last year's squad in total points scored with 45. Stan has continued that pace by picking up 23 of a possible 30 points this year.

"We're young," states head coach Ray Ambrose, "but we have a lot of spirit and pride in ourselves and would like to have the student body support us. We've been starting only four seniors — the rest of the team is comprised of underclassmen."

The Knights opened their dual meet season Nov. 30 with a 29-13 triumph over Muscatine. Varsity winners included: Tony Corsiglia '64, 103; Bob Berry '62, 112; Don Chenoweth, '63, 120; Tom Bivens '62, 127; Harlan Fournier '63, 133; Jim Keefe '62, 138; Jim Howes '63, 165; John Fiese '62, who sports a 5-1 record, at 175; and senior Stan Maliszewski, heavyweight.

The grapplers claimed their second consecutive dual win by downing East Moline's Panthers 29-11. Registering the only Assumption pin was 133 pound sophomore Tom Murray.

Central's powerful matmen handed

The Knights close out their regular season play the next weekend with their fifth Friday-Saturday night doubleheader. On Feb. 16 the Knights invade another former victim, the North Scott Lancers, who boast the area's leading scorer, Les Koch. Saturday they finish pre-tournament activity at G.E. Marshall gym against Central's powerful Blue Devils. In rolling up one of the area's finest records, Central features a balanced attack sparked by Jim Hester and Reggie Yates.

## Alleman

The Knights absorbed their first sound defeat Friday, Jan. 12, as they fell to Alleman 63-52. The Pioneers pulled away from a meager four point half-time lead and coasted to the victory. Alleman's Mike Fuller dropped in six of seven field goals to garner 16 points. The Knights Karl Noonan led scorers with 17.

## East Moline

The Panthers used a sharp-shooting

guard and a sophomore center to nip the Knights for the second time this year. In the first game the Knights lost in a double overtime. Hot hitting Denry Rusk spear-headed the Panthers attack with 20 points. Sophomore Jim Knott added 14 points to the cause. The Knights had three chances to score in the final minute but couldn't get the job done and fell 56-54, despite a 19 point splurge from senior Jerry Ketelaar.

## Muscatine

The Knights blew hot and cold before finally nipping Muscatine in an overtime 56-52. After trailing 11-2 early in the game, the Knights raced by for a 12 point lead. Then the Muskies pulled their own rally to tie the game at the end of regulation time. In the overtime it was all Assumption; they scored 10 points to Muscatine's 6. Junior Jeff Gadiant contributed four vital overtime points.

## Central

In the first post-holiday home game Assumption fell to Central 44-42. After trailing most of the game by as much as 10 points, the Knights pulled one of their patented rallies. Pat Murray '62 pulled the Knights even at 40-40 with a 18 foot jump shot as the gun sounded. In the overtime the Knights took their only lead of the ball game. They held it till the final 12 seconds when Central's Reggie Yates dropped through a pair of freethrows to ice the game. Mike McCarthy '62 sparked the rally with 10 points.

**TIPPING THE SCALES at 175 lbs. during preliminary weigh-ins, varsity wrestler John Fiese '62 grimaces as Coach Ray Ambrose calculates.**





# It's Never Too Late For the Apostolate;

On quiet Asbury St., North Evanston, Ill., stands a three story, white brick house which has the architectural charm of the turn of the century. It is one of the several old homes on the block.

Its family is a spiritual one — the only one of its kind in the United States — set up by the International Catholic Auxiliaries (ICA). This is where Fr. Louis Colonnese sent Jane Molyneaux '62 and Gwen Gaukler '63 for a weekend last summer to learn about lay missions and prepare a workshop for the Lay Apostolate Study Week at St. Ambrose College.

On arriving at LaSalle Street Station in Chicago they were met by a Canadian member of the Crossroads Student Center. On the way to Evanston, Denise explained that the ICA was a group of women who live and work in the mission countries under local Bishops for

the promotion and education of native Catholic laity. Like the girls on Asbury street they spend three years in spiritual and apostolic training.

At the house Jane and Gwen met girls from all over the world: Keiko from Japan, studying at Mundelein; Mary Jane from Formosa; Kathie from Germany, a Loyola student; Dolores from Canada, studying at Marquette; and Roslyn from Wisconsin, all under the guidance of Miss Virginia Leary, program director. They met other high school and college girls from all over America and Mexico who had come for the seven week training period.

Friday evening was Latin American evening at Crossroads — a home away from home for foreign students. "The people we met were wonderful and really educational to talk to," bubbled Gwen.

Next afternoon 12 girls with 12 cakes piled into a station wagon headed for the Puerto Rican slums. The children, some dressed in their older sisters' skirts that were much too big for them, were putting on a program for their parents.

One of the highlights of the program was a ballet dance that Anita Klerras, a Chicago high school junior, had spent four days teaching the 8 to 10 year old children. Laureta Andaya, Davenport's PAVLA volunteer from Honolulu, taught another group the hula.

After the program, hostesses served cake and punch and raffled off big stuffed dogs.

"The most fascinating part," reminisces Jane Molyneaux '62, "was the way those little Latins would speak perfect English one minute, then switch to Spanish right in the middle of a sentence."

## Get Your Red Hot Books Right Here

by Jerry Schutte

"Do you have *Don Quixote*? *The Scarlet Letter*? Got anymore of Dr. Dooley's books? Where's *The Picture of Dorian Gray*?" As the attendant of the boys' YCS bookstore at Assumption High School, these are questions I hear nearly every morning before school.

Fortunately, I can answer most of these questions satisfactorily, because the bookstore carries almost any paperback that a student would need to help with his studies or would want for leisure reading.

"The bookstore is convenient because everything we students want is there, and we can browse as much as we like," Fred Ebeling '63 comments.

Watching the students come in to look at the books, occasionally I myself pick up a book and browse through it. Other times, Art Hancock '63, my assistant, and I discuss homework or various topics from books we've read.

Most of these have proved helpful in many fields — among these English, religion, history, science, mathematics and even foreign languages.

*Don Quixote* is a good example of a book for English, as many of the juniors can bear witness to. *Animal Farm*

### 'They Also Serve'

In addition to those mentioned last issue, these fathers of students are serving the city of Davenport: Ed Masterson, 501 South Dittmer Street, First Ward Alderman, is the father of Dottie '63 and Steven '65; Charles McElroy, 2628 Farragut Place, father of Marsha '65, is Alderman-at-large; Richard Gadiant, 3029 Carey Avenue, on the Park Board, is the father of Jeff '63, and Steven '65.

is an approved book for religion. *Caesar's War Commentaries* is helpful to Latin II students (as I found out last year) as well as to ancient history scholars. *One Two Three Infinity*, written by George Gamow is as good a book for pleasure reading as it is for science. Moreover, any senior math student of Sr. Mary Laurent, CHM, can tell you that Irving Adler's *The New Mathematics* is a must for advanced math students.

Although freshmen and sophomores buy quite a few books, juniors and seniors buy more. The main reason is that their English and religion teachers seem to require more reading from them than do the English and religion teachers of the freshmen and sophomores.

Many boys come into the bookstore every morning, but there is only one who never fails to make an appearance — Denny O'Leary '65. Occasionally students have pocketed the books without paying for them; therefore I have a checkout desk at the doorway of the bookstore. Books are paid for at this desk, and upon receiving payment I stamp them with a PAID stamp.

"The YCS bookstore is a pretty nice place. Although it is handy, there are not enough books concerning life, history, or war," observes Gene Jerome '63.

Dr. Dooley's books are by far the best sellers of the bookstore. Runners up are: *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane; George Orwell's *Animal Farm*; *The Picture of Dorian Gray* by Oscar Wilde; and *Don Quixote* by Cervantes.

Three books that are beginning to sell are Dante's *Inferno*; Boswell's *Life of Samuel Johnson*; and Desmond Young's *Rommel, the Desert Fox*.

Books of past prominence are Edgar

Allan Poe's *The Pit and the Pendulum*; Joseph Conrad's *Lord Jim*; Henry Gregor Felson's *Hot Rod*; and *Hiroshima* by John Hersey.

Sales are down a little bit this year, but they are by no means slack. Since September, we have stocked 3,600 books and sold nearly 1,100. The YCS bookstore is not run as a money-making project, but as a service to students, and as sales indicate, the students appreciate this service.

I could go on and on about the bookstore, but I better stop now or it will be a complete failure. There's a line of boys waiting to buy some books!





# There Is Always Time to Make a Date

While at the Crossroads Jane arranged for Arletta Hartman, an Auxiliary, to show slides at Study Week of her work among the Navajo Indians. Another college girl told of her mission experiences with the Sioux.

Back in Davenport the girls took a poll on the Ambrose campus. They found that 76% of the high school students attending the workshops knew little or nothing of the lay missions.

From this survey they concluded that high school students either are not interested or lack the initiative to learn about the missions, that publicity is lacking, that the lay mission groups are yet too young, and that there is such a drive for religious vocations that the clergy tend to by-pass the lay mission vocation.

As Gwen and Jane found out in their trip, there are other things besides pray-

ing and giving donations that students can do in the mission field. Like the ICA, there are lay groups that sponsor summer programs for high school students.

The Glenmary Sisters have volunteers in the "no priests lands" of the South. Mary Murray, who worked in Roaring Fork — 93 of the 5,332 are Catholic — says, "In Roaring Fork I met many people. They are good people, who know their Bible and respect it. I met children who want to know more about the God who made them and the mountains they love."

Mary and other lay helpers serve as catechists, recreational leaders, drivers and typists. Prior to their mission work they spend a week in preparation. Most of these programs are for students who are at least juniors in high school.

College graduates are in great de-

mand in the foreign mission countries. They devote one, two, three years or their entire lives in serving God as members of PAVLA, AID, or Grail.

Pat O'Connor, a member of the Women's Volunteer Association, writes from Nkozi hospital in Uganda, "If you could see the condition of some of these children, it would break your heart. Their bodies are all edemateous, their hair hard, dry, red and falling out, and they have completely lost the urge to eat so that they must be tube-fed. The greatest difficulty in these cases is convincing the mother her child is ill because of lack of food."

Virginia Leary, who recently took a trip to Latin American beautifull. "These countries are beautifull. There is much work here but it moves slowly. We need help."

That's where the students come in!

## Bulletin Boards

### Many Teachers

What's one way to tell the boys' homerooms from the girls' homerooms? Look at the bulletin boards. You'll see many distinctive differences.

These differences are notable in the simple material and ideas displayed on the boys' boards as compared to the greater emphasis on art and drawings expressed in the girls' division.

A particular teacher's field can be recognized by themes displayed. "The Play's the Thing" topped the soph English classroom board, co-ordinating Sr. Mary Leon's program on Julius Caesar.

### Employ Advertising Techniques

Sr. Mary Laurent, CHM, boys' math instructor, displays prize winning science projects to interest her pupils. By attaching articles and stories on student life to the bulletin board, Fr. William F. Wiebler's five junior journalism staffs publish their own newspapers.

Religion classes are brought to life through themes such as senior E-2's "Queen of the Holy Rosary, Pray for US," with the Virgin Mary silhouetted in black.

"This year, Mary appears regularly as a different patroness. Each month different girls volunteer to construct it," Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM, declares.

Colored photos displayed by Fr. Marvin Mottet to encourage retreat attendance, gives the senior boys a vivid picture of the Trappist Monastery at New Melleray Abbey in Dubuque. Father quotes the retreat as "... a period of time during which a man seeks in peace and quiet to draw nearer to God." Thirteen seniors took up the suggestion and journeyed to Dubuque.

Sr. Mary Joseline, BVM, freshman religion instructor, emphasizes, "You shall be witness unto me," with pictures of school life, parties, home, and graduation.

Tricky sayings such as "Work is the finest escape from boredom ever de-

vised," drape Coach "Babe" Derouin's board, while Father Mottet's A-wing board quips, "Boomerangs . . . do fly back; speak well of others."

Class projects from drawings to poems often grace corked boards. Sister M. Leon displays poems ranging from fall description to the trickery of four year old Tommy.

Invitations to read are unfolded by quips, "Travel By Land, Air, Sea," in frosh homeroom D-1 to junior E-8's large lively-looking worms crawling on yellow, red, and blue books, urging, "Be a Book Worm."

Comments junior Barb Stiles, "Bulletin boards should tell something and not be there just for decoration. The students should make them, but with a different theme more than once a month."

Think you can tell whose homeroom you're in?

## AHS Donates

Student apostles delved into pockets and purses to net \$90.53 in the AHS Red Cross campaign. According to moderator Fr. Gerald Kraus, proceeds will be used to help finance two new safety programs. Beginning Feb. 10 and extending through a 10 week period, a Red Cross life saving-swimming program will be conducted on Saturdays at the St. Ambrose College pool. A first aid class will be inaugurated with the third quarter. Boys and girls will attend the two hour classes every Tuesday evening for five weeks.



"JUST ONE MORE and bingo," delights Fr. Arthur Perry to Sr. Mary Ann Esther, BVM, Sr. Mary Ann Marita, CHM, and Sr. Mary Diana, BVM, at the Student Council-Faculty Epiphany party.



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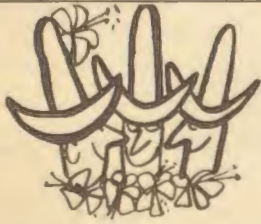
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# KNIGHT BEACON

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## Tuning Up Chorus Competes, Hosts Festival

Assumption chorus members are preparing for coming competition, the highlight of which is the annual Diocesan Music Festival, March 29, at Regina high of Iowa City.

This year's festival takes the form of a sectional meet with four choruses chosen to compete at Ottumwa Heights College on April 12. Dr. Harold Stark

## Gym Turns to Lab

Have you ever been to a fair which had no clowns, horses or high wire acts?

On March 28-31 Assumption will host such a fair — the annual Quad-Cities Science Fair. Students from area schools will assemble with their projects in the gymnasium.

Dave Huyette '62 plans to display his project on the solid steel diffusion. This, he claims, has taken a great deal of work with a heat treating furnace. The young scientist got permission to use the furnace at St. Ambrose College and started experimenting soon after retreat. He spent hours watching his project progress but forgot to watch the temperature. "I tried desperately to get the steel out of the furnace but it melted into a ball," Dave explains.

Most of Dave's materials have been supplied to him by his father who works at Alcoa. He has also obtained advice from an Alcoa metallurgist. Dave's project, along with countless others, will be on display for the public during the four days of judging.

## Authors Puzzle

"I was educated at Balliol, Oxford, and was a convert to Catholicism. My 'entertainments' are my thriller novels such as *The Confidential Agent* and *Gem for Hire*. Who am I?"

This clue was part of the Sodality sponsored contest identifying Catholic authors for Catholic Press Month. Seniors Kathy Ceurvorst and Louise DeZorzi read eight clues over the PA system while the girls filled in the answers.

There was an eight-way tie in the freshman-sophomore division, each with three correct answers, and a two-way

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from SUI School of Music will act as official judge for both events.

O *Gladsome Light*, *Children's Blessing* and *Younger Than Springtime* are numbers selected by chorus director Sister Mary Meneve, BVM, to be sung by the mixed chorus. The boys' division plans to do *This Train* and *Oklahoma*, while the girls will offer *Maria*, from *The Sound of Music*.

Employing the theme, "This is Our Country," the chorus will give a concert at Assumption on April 1, Laetare Sunday. Patriotic songs as *Battle Hymn of the Republic* and *America the Beautiful* will be included.

As their final engagement, the chorus will host a music festival May 18-19 with Muscatine and Bettendorf high schools. The program is affiliated with the Little Six Conference and will include band renditions from the participating schools. The festival will feature a mass chorus under the direction of Dr. Henry Veld, professor of music at Augustana College. Dr. Veld will also issue critical analyses of the choruses.

**JUNIOR HARLAN Fournier** gets ready to announce a ladies' choice at the GRA's Cupid Capper, while classmate Dave Schlitter selects the record.



## Society Pins

Fifteen students will be "pinned" on March 6 at an all-school assembly. The ceremony does not include fraternity-sorority pledges, however, but is the induction of the new members into the Pius XII chapter of the National Honor Society.

The induction ceremony will commence with an introductory address given by senior Dave Huyette. Immediately following, four senior members — Gerald Ketelaar, Don Miller, Sharon Barta and Jane Molyneaux — will explain the purpose and activities of the NHS, accentuating the four qualifications — character, scholarship, leadership and service.

Those receiving their pins are seniors Mary Hart, Mary Guile, Mike McCarthy, Bill Tiedje, Barb Lewandowski and Lori Neufeld. Juniors being inducted are Barb Lewis, Don Chenoweth, Joe Nabra, Mardi Gaydos, Sally Cogan, Gwen Gaukler, Jeff Gadiant, Jim Kellenberger and Bob Schwarz.

After the presentation of the pins by Fr. Edmund J. Weeg and Sr. Mary Ann Esther, the guest speaker will be introduced by director Fr. Robert Amborn.

NHS members sponsored the Spelling Bee on Feb. 22 and are considering, for sometime in the future, a High School Bowl, fashioned after TV's College Bowl.

The Society is composed of 10% of the senior class and 5% of the juniors. Present officers are Mike McCarthy, president; Lori Neufeld, vice-president; Sally Cogan, secretary; and Jim Kellenberger, treasurer.



# Grads Cool School

"It's a lot of work, but a lot of fun," describes choral member Jack Edelson of St. Mary's Concert Chorus from Winona, Minn.

With their Feb. 12 performance at Assumption for the annual Student Council-Exchange student assembly, the chorus and dance band completed a four day tour, including stops at Chicago, Detroit and Wheaton.

Four Assumption graduates, Paul Bauer, Paul Berendes, Dave Cratty, all '61, and Gunars Norkus '59, comprise part of the crew. Dave feels that joining the concert chorus helped him adjust to new situations of college life. "When working in the chorus, you can't help but become more at ease and make new friends," he asserts.

Members of the traveling troupe were impressed by Assumption and its responsive audience. "The crowd was wonderful — the best we've ever had," commented Tom Gerry. "A beautiful auditorium," observed Frank Doran. "I hope you enjoyed us as much as we enjoyed you," declared Jack Grady. Pete Moto offered, "You can have us down any time. We'll send the date list!"

Dave Knutson, leader of the dance band, the Mari-Notes, explained, "Our primary problem is that we attract talent who play well but do not plan to continue in music as a career. But the advantages of full school backing, publicity, facilities, and money more than compensate."

The Concert Chorus, dubbed "Masters of the One-Night Stand" by member George Dodro, is under the direction of Brother Paul, St. Mary's College Director of Admissions, who started the group in 1948. Brother Paul also teaches a course in music appreciation and is responsible for the organization of the Mari-Notes eight years ago.

Acting as spokesman, Ed Zappen commented, "We enjoy singing, especially before a high school crowd. They are the most enthusiastic."

1961 GRADS Dave Cratty and Paul Berendes chat backstage with Mardi Gaydos '63 after the St. Mary's benefit concert.



## — AHS Honor Roll —

From a total of 1001 enrolled at AHS, 2% became first honor students at the semester while 13% had second honors. Of this group 25.8% were seniors, 17.4% juniors, while the sophs claimed 23.1% and the freshmen 17.9%.

### First Honors

#### Seniors

Jane Wells, Dave Huyette, Stan Maliszewski

#### Juniors

Barb Lewis, Angie More, Jim Kellenberger, Bob Schwarz

#### Sophomores

Jan Adamsky, Geri Barrett, Phyllis Hart, Mary Motto, Jerelyn Ryan, John Genzel, Jim Logan

### Freshmen

Theresa Davis, Mary Ann Hartkop, Teresa Schwab, Jim Phelps, Mike Smith

### Second Honors

#### Seniors

Sharon Barta, Jane Molyneaux, Barb Niemeyer, Janet Barrett, Cynthia Bunge, Diane Buxton, Ann Humphrey, Loretta Neufeld, Claudia Townsend, Candie Cox, Toni Colbrese, Louise DeZorzi, Mary Gulle, Mary Hart, Barb McCloskey, Pat O'Toole, Sharon Steinmann, Betty LaFayette, Gerald Ketelaar, Don Miller, John Lammers, John Fiese, Bill Tiedje, Gerald Kealey, Jim Keefe, Mike McCarthy, Howard Mentzer, Bob Sprosty, Bill Grotho, Patrick Murray, Steve Kellenberger, Phil Miclot

#### Juniors

Mardi Gaydos, Mary Ann Soenke, Sally Cogan, Pat Hammond, Joan Berendes, Marcia Kohler, Kathy McDermott, Suzie Wells, Jeanne Ehrecke, Gwen Gaukler, Jeanne Genzel, Jo Anne Luther, Kathy McKenna, Diane O'Toole, Peggy Pohlmann, Denise Hole, Mike Barry, Bruce Borne, Jeff Gadiant, John McMahon, Tom Cusack, Pat Feeney, Pat McGreevy, Joe Nahra, Gerald Schutte, Tom Moore

#### Sophomores

Jan Abbas, Kathy Barrett, Barb Bauer, Louise Puls, Mary Stanger, Jackie Bald, Mary Callahan, Pat Carpenter, Sharon Molyneaux, Cynthia Phillips, Mary Buckwalter, Rita Davies, Nancy DeJulius, Charlene Gaul, Julie Joyce, Mary Kealey, Ilona Kuehnackl, Kit Meisenbach, Mary Anne Nix, Karen Ohland, Jill Schroeder, Mary Thompson, Judy Andersen, Barb Beyer, Leah Cox, Michele Morrison, Mike Townsend, Phillip Wash, Dave Ryder, Mike Schebler, Darrell Warta, Tom Post, Jim Riley, Charles Foster, John Neth, Stan Smazal, Patrick Thompson, Phillip Andrew, Pat Dray, Ronald Garris, John Loihl, Bob Williams

#### Freshmen

Barb DeZorzi, Joann Eischeid, Barb Herrman, Mary Ann Fick, Eileen Figel, Mary Gimbel, Kathy Herd, Kathy Morrissey, Suzanne Schebler, Mary Wahlig, Linda Walz, Mary Derouin, Mary Hogerty, Nancy Nagle, Carol Sampson, Kathy Schaffert, Susan Lee, Connie Knust, Karen Bergbauer, Leon DeJulius, Glynn Davis, Stephen Murray, John Perolat, Robert Townsend, Walter Foley, Roger Schaecher, John Kearney, Jerry Bald, Steven Gadiant, Daniel Hancock, Anthony Navarro

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# February Becomes the Pressing Month

Regardless of what people may try to tell you, Catholic Press Month has nothing to do with ironing.

It is a month — February — set aside to encourage interest in good, Catholic reading. This includes newspapers, pamphlets, magazines — and books.

From the titles of some books — hidden under green or red plastic covers — that some students carry around, Catholic Press Month is just another campaign for the Church to play up.

The moment someone mentions Catholic literature, we see students jockeying for a position in the opposite corner of the room. Catholic books, they argue, mean preaching and they don't care for that sort of thing.

What, then, do students want in a book? Excitement? What could be more exciting than taking a journey through the jungles of Laos and experiencing the ravenous threat of Communist guerilla warfare as in Dr. Tom Dooley's *The Night They Burned The Mountain?*

Enjoy comedy and satire? Then try *The Loved One*, a mocking take-off on Hollywood and cemeteries.

How about a travel into the world of the unknown?

## Are You A Common-tater ?

In the last issue of the *Knight Beacon*, a proposition was made to the students of the diocese to attend the Mass of the Holy Chrism. But as we discovered last year, there is more puzzle to this Mass than just acquiring transportation.

The first great struggle with which the participants had to contend was the language barrier. The Latin is difficult enough to decipher during the familiar Sunday Mass, but it was befuddling at such an extravagant display. The entire ceremony was so new and unfamiliar that no one was able to follow the Bishop's actions. Of course, books were purchased to explain the Mass, but those who used them missed many of the unusual movements.

As in news and narrative programs, we could have a commentator who could explain the movements and translate the important parts into English. For still a deeper insight, the entire ceremony could be explained and discussed in the religion classes. Thus the students will not shy from the Mass because of misunderstanding causing a rather inner dread.

To make this instruction more stable we should use our books, but with prior explanation they will serve as an aid — not a hindrance. When the lame man was healed by Christ, he threw away his crutch and walked. So too, we can throw away our crutch and follow the Mass.

Where can we find a commentator? A YCS group or the Student Council could take it as a project and train the commentator in his functions. Instruction can be obtained from Monsignor Feeney, pastor of Sacred Heart Cathedral. After the commentator has been properly trained, he could offer his services to Msgr. Feeney.

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Dwell, then, on *Brother Petroc's Return* and learn how a 16 century monk adjusts to 19 century living.

These books, and countless others, compose the Catholic literature honored this month. Students who feel that all Catholic books are sermons should take one, open it, and discover the entertainment inside. Then they will realize that "Catholic" literature means "good" literature.

The Sodality and YCS bookstores are filled with these captivating volumes waiting to be explored. The only prerequisite is an inquiring mind and half a dollar.

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## Cross 'n Crown

# Castro Altercates Racism

Listening in on the short-wave bands the other night, I came across Radio Havana.

As usual they were tearing down the United States.

This time, however, I had to agree with the commentator — he was speaking on racism in the United States. He went on to say that if the United States is so strong in its opinion of equality and liberty, why is the American Negro literally being tortured?

The Montgomery incident, Little Rock scandal, the Freedom Riders, and many other incidents were mentioned as examples.

Whether we want it or not this problem is ours to solve — it affects us here at Assumption as it affects our whole nation.

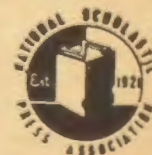
Here is where our YCS groups and other lay apostolate projects come in. We have to fight this situation on our local level.

In the last issue of the *Knight Beacon* we saw Harold Fredenburg, Mike Morrison, Dave White, Peter Beilstein, Sue Thorpe, all '64, and Bruce Borne, '63, working as lay apostles. This same like-to-like action can snuff out this racial prejudice problem.



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*"As a Beacon in the Night"*



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CONTEMPLATING a possible "scoop," Catholic Messenger editor John Leo checks a reporter's copy.

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by Mike McCarthy

In our modern society it is very common that the hunter often becomes the hunted, as Sue Welch '62 can testify. While a group of her friends were out pursuing rodents, Sue finally worked up enough courage to venture out of the car. As soon as she stepped out, she claims, she was chased by a revengeful rodent. Sue ran a few yards, only to fall and painfully twist her ankle. Life is just one big rat-race for Sue Welch.

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After recently buying a letter sweater, Kazi Maliszewski '64 asked his mother to sew on his numerals. He returned after a short duration to inspect the finished product.

"46!" he exclaimed, "Why did you sew them on like that?"

"Well, that was the year you were born, wasn't it?" inquired Mrs. Maliszewski.

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Life brings many sorrows, as Terry Thompson '62 can truly verify. It seems the Thompson's family car had been missing for 16 maddening days. Police and Highway patrolmen on both sides of the river were alerted. Finally it was found by Terry's older sister.

Barney Purcell '62 claims this is not such a tragedy. For two years his car has been missing — on two cylinders, that is.

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The word has it that the "Twist" is gradually dying out and that we adolescents are searching for a new dance. Comedian Red Skelton has the solution to this catastrophic problem. Simply procure a bottle of fleas, square off with your partner on the dance floor, and pour the fleas down your back. You will soon be dancing the new dance craze — "The Scratch." This dance will be more practical for the ensuing summer months since insects will be plentiful.

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When Fr. William Stratman brought out a slinky to demonstrate the motion of waves, he asked Sue Schwarte '62 to hold one end of the coil. The experiment was going fine until Father explained, "Watch as the wave goes from a less dense to a more dense medium." With a surprised look on her face Sue asked, "Me?" Once again saved by the bell, Father retreated redfaced to the adjoining room, leaving a slightly embarrassed Sue.

## KB Exceeds Public High Papers

(Editor's Note: In observance of Catholic Press Month, junior journalist Joe Nahra invaded the Cosgrove Building, headquarters of the Catholic Messenger, to solicit editor John Leo's opinions on the position of the Catholic press.)

"The purpose of any newspaper is to relate news about people and their needs," confirms John Leo, a Catholic Messenger editor, "Any specialized newspaper must tell the needs of the people it serves. A Catholic high school newspaper should ask 'How can our paper best serve the Catholic student?' or better 'What is a Catholic student?'"

"The Catholic student is a person in transit — in the process of becoming a mature Catholic adult. He has made no final choices in life; he only knows what he is supposed to be."

Therefore Mr. Leo asserts, "A Catholic high school newspaper must realize this fact. The Catholic student has a psychological, studential, recreational and spiritual life. A paper that serves this person must go into each one of those lives."

"Any student newspaper takes a very narrow view if it reports only extra-curricular activities. The student should be treated as a whole person — a part of whose life is filled with official activities and prescribed classes. Growth comes outside of school and should reflect itself in school activities," he continued.

Should a high school paper be concerned with national problems? The Messenger editor reports, "Any paper should know the audience it serves. Since national problems concern everyone, the high school paper should report students' views and opinions on these problems."

"But national problems can be handled subtly — by debates, letters to the editor, etc. Don't forget that the paper must train minds. News should reflect

a proper hierarchy of values. A student is not merely a spiritual being, but a physical and social being as well. A paper isn't serving its readers if, issue after issue, it stresses only one side of student life. But this character of values should be present. The spiritual should receive good stress."

Explaining the relationship between the Knight Beacon and the Catholic Messenger, Mr. Leo maintains that "both concern the person as a Catholic. The Knight Beacon differs from a public high school paper because it represents Catholic truths in students' every lives. This forms the whole character of the Catholic high school newspaper."

## Students Ponder

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tie in the junior-senior division, each with five correct. The tie was settled by a drawing and the winners are Judy Andersen '64 and Sharon Barta '62. Each will receive a paperback of her choice from the Sodality bookstore.

"Some of the answers were hilarious," reported Ann Humphrey '62. "For example, one girl identified the author, known for his initials, who wrote about a monk who woke up centuries after his burial to face the problems of modern living, as JFK. The right answer is SMC." Jackie Kennedy was misnamed for Maureen Daly, "a staid housewife of 35." Other authors asked for were Dante, Evelyn Waugh, Thomas Merton, Cardinal Newman and Covelle Newcomb.

"The contest, to include poets as well as authors, will continue until the end of February and we hope it will encourage more interest in Catholic literature," commented Sodality prefect Karen Halston '62.

By the way, Graham Greene is the author in the lead clue. One girl guessed Paladin.



# Don't Throw Religion in a Wastebasket

"What do you want that for?" must have been the comment of several mothers watching their sons rummage through wastebaskets in search of the latest issue of the **Catholic Messenger**.

They're rummaging for their junior religion classes taught by Fr. Arthur Perry. On Monday, Father requires his classes to bring the latest copy of the **Messenger** to class where articles are assigned to be read and reported.

Feeling that they are generally ignored, Father tries to pick articles dealing with today's social problems. By having his students read the **Messenger** he hopes they learn the Church's viewpoints and solutions. Sometimes the articles need only be read, but they are always discussed in class.

At the first of the school year, Father Perry explained that the **Messenger** — in addition to pastors and priests — is the official teaching organ of the bishop. The **Messenger** helps the bishop to fulfill his obligation to teach, rule and sanctify. One of the ways the **Messenger** teaches is to print the complete texts of important documentary articles such as the annual bishops' statement. Diocesan news is reported without being given over to card party announcements.

George Koenigsaecker '63 has found that reading the **Messenger** "familiarizes you with the activities of the diocese and helps you to understand the Church's stand on major issues of dispute."

Junior Ed Bills, feels that "valuable facts can be learned about the Pope in his announcements and encyclicals." One example was the recent announce-

ment of a new plenary indulgence granted by Pope John XXIII for offering the day's work to God.

Since Pope John's new encyclical 'Mater et Magistra' has been referred to many times in the **Messenger**, the religion classes procured copies of the encyclical from the YCS bookstore to read during the Christmas holidays. Father lamented that many of the papal announcements and encyclicals are seldom read either by clergy or laity. By reading and discussing 'Mater et Magistra' the religion classes will be able to learn the Church's mind on certain matters and act accordingly.

In one **Messenger** report on a recent convention of the Iowa Federation of Labor, the term "right-to-work" law was mentioned. This prompted an assignment to find what the laws were and the Church's position on them. The boys found the task a difficult one, with much research necessary. Bill Walter '63 sent to the Bureau of Labor in Des Moines and received some leaflets. John Burke '63 tapped the resources of Fr. Louis Colonnese's pamphlet library while others labored over their reports at the Public Library or consulted their parish priests.

After a discussion of a page in the **Messenger** devoted to the problems of Latin America, Father Perry required his classes to attend and report on at least one of a series of lectures sponsored by the Quad-City Institute of World Affairs. The theme of these lectures was "The Communist Threat in Latin America," and they ran over a period of three days. Said Bill Neth-

'63, who attended a lecture entitled "Cuban Debacle" by newspaperman Jules Dubois, "Although it meant giving up an evening, I felt that my knowledge of Latin American problems and especially the Cuban fiasco was greatly increased. Mr. Dubois made me realize the great extent of Communism in Cuba and how Baptista, by his suppression of the people, really gave birth to Castro and his plans."

Father believes that, with a little study and perhaps a third or fourth reading, all his students can understand the articles. He hopes that by introducing the **Messenger** to his students now, they will form the habit of reading it in later years, thereby keeping up to date with their role in the Church.

So mothers, don't bewail the mess caused by an overturned wastebasket; instead save the **Messenger** for your son.

## John Aids Sharon

While walking home from school, Sharon Molyneaux '63 falls . . . seriously injuring herself. Her brother, John '63, properly administers First Aid until a doctor can be reached.

He's receiving this knowledge from free, two hour First Aid sessions held every Monday night for five weeks.

"The program's well-organized to insure that everyone really learns the techniques properly," explains Fr. Gerald Kraus, who chose and arranged the program for Assumption.

The Scott County Chapter of American Red Cross willingly provides a team of trained people because they feel at least one member of every Scott County family should be trained in First Aid.

Jean Saunders '63 joined the program because, "I babysit a lot and think it's important to know how to handle accidents children might encounter."

Around 50 Assumptionites are learning such practical processes as how to apply splints, artificial respiration and bandages for severe burns and sprained ankles.

Junior boys Ed Schloemer, Bill Dardoff, Bob Daurer, Bruce Cusack, Lee Barta and Tim Maher put on a First Aid demonstration for the Scott County 4H.

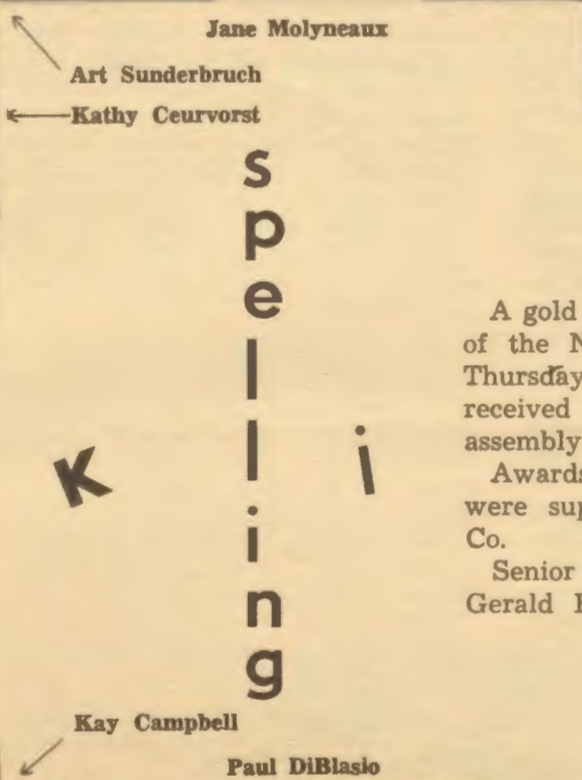
Assumption boys may also attend life-saving lessons, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, at St. Ambrose pool.

Denise Hoie '63 and Tony Chernetsky '64 are the representatives from Assumption in the High School Red Cross Council. Tony is president of this organization, which sponsors recreational swimming for handicapped children and their families.



PEERING INTO a wastebasket, Jim Brownson '63 retrieves a **Messenger** for religion class.





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A gold medal was awarded to the first place winner of the National Honor Society's Spelling Bee last Thursday, Feb. 22. Students placing second and third received silver and bronze medals at the all-school assembly.

Awards, inscribed with "Excellence in Spelling," were supplied by the Merriam-Webster Dictionary Co.

Senior finalists were Barb Smith, Cynthia Bunge, Gerald Kealey and Pat Carney, runner-up in last

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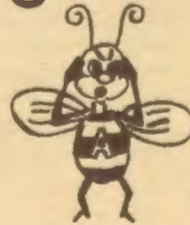
year's contest.

Suzie Wells, Barb Lewis, Bob Schwarz and Gerald Schutte represented the junior class. Sophs Mary Motto, Janice Adamsky, Patrick Dray and Pat Thompson also survived the preliminary rounds held in English classes Feb. 1-2.

Freshmen Michelle Chenoweth, Barb Kruse, George Allen and Bill Schutte rounded out the sweet sixteen.

A personality profile of the winner will appear in the March issue of the *Knight Beacon*.

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# Sportlite

by Don Miller

If you've ever wandered into an Assumption basketball practice session, you might have mistaken it for a zoo. Somehow, several of our roundballers have acquired some of the strangest nicknames.

Mike Leonard '62 answers to the name "Gazelle." Contrary to Mike's opinion, a gazelle is not a big, beautiful swan but rather a long-legged, high jumping, South African antelope. Although the name dates back to Mike's sophomore year, no one really knows why he, of all people, is called a gazelle.

"King" Karl Noonan has been tagged with several nicknames, the strangest of which seems to be "Eagle." Maybe he got it because he is so smooth and calculating on the basketball floor or maybe because he flies across the river so much.

By far the most proud of his nickname is Mike "The Hawk" McCarthy. Mike even has a sign in his locker with a picture of a hawk and his name imprinted on it. We're not sure what kind of a hawk Mike is, but Jerry Ketelaar '62 suggested that maybe he is a "chicken hawk."

The most baffling nickname to us was given to Pat Murray '62. The players call him "Ice Water." They tell us it's because he's so cool, especially when he's at a "sandy" beach.

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Some people don't know when they're well off. In an early season wrestling match, an aggressive heavyweight from East Moline was paired against Assumption's star Stan "King Kong" Maliszewski '62. He roared out at Stan, slapping and clawing. Ski took it for awhile then as they rolled of the mat, jumped to his feet and shaking his fist said, "Are you going to wrestle right or else . . . ?" The East Moliner calmed down and Stan pinned him.

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Back during football season a rule came out requiring players to wear mouthpieces. One September day the Knights trooped off to the local dentist's to have dental impressions made. At a Bettendorf office, as the first player entered, he found a man wearing a cowboy hat, gun and holster, boots and holding a puppet of "Quick Draw McGraw." The dentist stared at the high school boy in the letter jacket and said, "Oh my, you aren't at all what I expected!" The feeling was mutual but evidently didn't matter because the players couldn't get John Stoker '62 to leave the kiddie games. It wasn't a complete waste though. John was crowned the Knights' "Upsy Downsy" champion.

## Matmen Win Despite Reverses

According to assistant coach Mr. Joseph Maher, "The season went just about as we expected. We lost to the teams we thought would beat us, and we won the meets we figured we should win."

Head coach Ray Ambrose sums up the season in this manner, "We had just over a .500 record, but this figure is misleading. We lost veteran Jim Keefe '62 early in the season with a separated shoulder, and the flu bugged us all year."

Assumption boasts two super stars. Tom Bivens, 127 lb. senior, finished the season with a dual meet record of 9-1. He lost only to Central's Bernie Powers, and missed the West meet due to sickness. Heavyweight Stan Maliszewski '62 concluded his high school dual meet career with a 10-1 slate. His only defeat was to Larry Sherman of Central.

Both boys took second in their weight divisions of the Little Six Conference. Ironically, they both lost to grapplers from Bettendorf whom they had defeated earlier in the season. Tom was decided by Jack Deere, and Ron Owen was awarded a referee's decision over Stan.

Assumption has its unsung heroes too. Tom Fennelly '63, in his first full season of varsity wrestling, compiled a remarkable record. He finished second in the 145 lb. division of the Little Six tournament and has a 7-2-1 dual meet record. One of the losses was to Central's Terry Wigglesworth and the other was sustained while wrestling at 165.

The second of the lesser known stars is John Fiese. John alternated between the 165 and 175 lb. division. He possesses a 10-1 dual meet record, losing only to Glenn Mitchell of the high powered

Central team. In addition to sporting a fine record, John won the 175 lb. bracket of the Little Six tournament.

Coach Ray Ambrose says of these two men, "Both Tom and John were vastly improved over last year, and they did a tremendous job for us all through the season."

During the year, only four seniors — Bob Berry, Tom Bivens, John Fiese and Stan Maliszewski — wrestled varsity. The balance of the team was made up of sophomores and juniors. Mark Wall '63 held down the 95 lb. post; Tony Corsiglia '64 was the regular 103 pounder; and Don Chenoweth '63 wrestled every meet at 120. Tom Murray '64, Harlan Fournier '63 and Pete Beilstein '64 alternated at 133, while Jack Hogan '63 had a firm grip on the 138 lb. position. Mike Colbrese and Jim Howes '63 competed for the 154 post, while Terry Sarver, Rich Smith and Al Lehman, all '63, alternated the 165 or the 175 lb. post.

The reserve team, coached by Mr. Maher, was led by Bob Deluhery '62, who sports an 11-0 record. He won every match by a pin, with the exception of a decision over the West reserve heavyweight.

Another outstanding reserve was Jack Schroeder '64, who posted an 8-1 record.

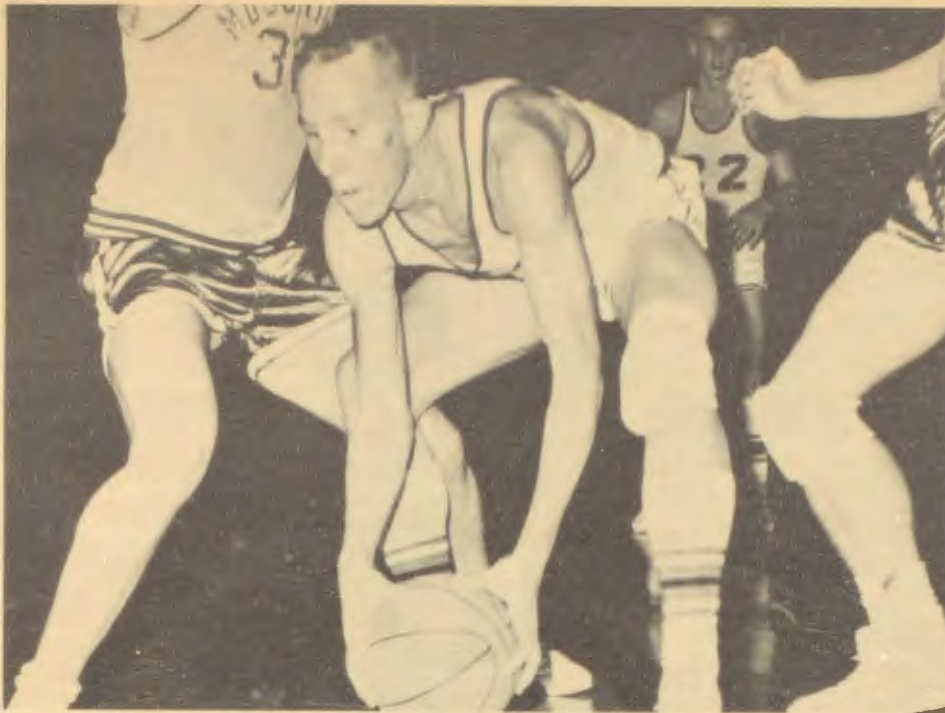
When asked about next year's possibilities, Coach Maher remarked, "We have many good juniors and sophomores coming back, and we should be pretty fair next year, unless they all get quite a bit heavier."

"All in all," added coach Ambrose, "the boys worked very hard and I got a lot more out of them than I thought I would."

GETTING A FIRM grip on his opponent is matman Tom Fennelly '63.







STOOPING FOR A low pass — or looking for his contacts — is senior cager Jerry Ketelaar.

## Compile Best Record; Await Next Year

This year the Little Knights ran up the most successful soph record in Assumption's history.

After an opening game loss to East Moline, the Assumption sophs reeled off five straight wins before dropping one to Alleman, 60-50. Bettendorf, Wahlert, North Scott and West were all soph victims.

The Little Knights then copped three more — Burlington, Central at 45-30, and Muscatine — before falling to the East Moline Panthers for the second time.

Old scores were settled in the next two games as Assumption beat Alleman the second time but fell to Wahlert despite 18 points by Dan Albers.

In the third game with Alleman, Dan

Albers again starred by dropping in 22 points as the Little Knights launched another victory string. Regina of Iowa City and Regis of Cedar Rapids were the next prey.

At Bettendorf, big Mike Seider poured in 23 points to pace a 67-60 win. Muscatine then felt the wrath of the Little Knights. A balanced scoring attack, which saw all five starters reach double figures, put Muscatine down from the very start.

Leading the squad, with only two games remaining, was Dan Albers with a total of 238 points and an average of 13.2 points per game. He was followed by John Loihl with a 10.5 average, and Phil Pash, who sported a 9 point average.

## Girls Are For The Birds

Cries of "I lost the birdie!" coming from the girls' gym bears no reference to a secret aviary.

The GRA badminton tournament is in full swing, with about 100 girls participating under the direction of sporthead Jane Wells '62.

A few weeks before the start of the tourney, freshman girls assembled after school for some tips on the game. Frosh who took part commented that the instructions helped to even out odds with more experienced players.

Another GRA project this year included a volleyball tournament. This was capped by the senior girls of E-3. Captain Pat Hogan led her seniors to a victory over a frosh team who took second place. E-3 will receive the traveling trophy.

Senior leaders have attended two Sport Days this year. A volleyball team, consisting of Anne Balluff, Jane Wells,

Mary Saunders, Jane Molyneaux, Denise O'Neill, Julie State and Donna Carpenter, all '62, and Mary State and Jean Saunders '63, journeyed to Central to take part in a play-off between Central, West, North Scott, the Villa and AHS.

## Frosh Conquer

The freshman basketball team, headed by Tom Sunderbruch, came through with a winning season. Their record stands 10-6.

Coach Sunderbruch attributes the success of his team to the fact that the boys had the will to win. They managed the winning season in spite of a large handicap — lack of height.

Dan Duggan led the team as high scorer followed by Joe Kellenberger and Jim Cawley. The team scored at least one victory over every team they played.

## Finish Strong; Defend Title

Monday, March 5, the Assumption Knights will begin defense of their 1961 state championship consolation. The Knights open tourney play against Muscatine.

Assumption has twice previously defeated the Muskies. They triumphed in an overtime on their first encounter and then rolled by 77-58 in a later meeting. Muscatine's attack is paced by two potent scorers, Ralph Bartlett and John Crumly.

The Knights finished the year with a sudden surge of five wins in their last seven games. This pulled their record up to 10-10.

### Central

The Knights winning streak was halted at three as they fell to the Blue Devils 59-57 ending regular season play. The Knights jumped off to a quick 5-0 lead and held on to lead 30-26 at the half. Central outscored the Knights 12-5 in the early moments of the third quarter, but Assumption rallied to keep a two-point lead at the quarter. Behind Jerry Ketelaar, the Knights raced to a six point lead with three minutes remaining. They held that lead until the final four seconds when Central's John Greenlee dropped through two free throws. Jerry Ketelaar led all scorers for the night with 23 points.

### Muscatine

The Knights poured through 44 first-half points, and then coasted to an early 77-58 victory. Assumption had red hot shooting and balanced scoring as keys to victory. Karl Noonan made his first six shots on the way to a 20 point night, but was nipped for high point honors by Mike Leonard who tallied 22 points.

### Bettendorf

Assumption rammed through six points in the last 45 seconds to nip the Bulldogs 60-59. After staying even for most of the game, Bettendorf moved out to a nine point bulge with four minutes remaining. Then Karl Noonan stuffed in four straight baskets to pull the Knights within one point. The Bulldogs then jumped back out to a five point lead with a minute to go, but Mike McCarthy '62 dropped in a tip-in with 45 seconds to go and Pat Murray '62 hit a drive-in shot with 25 seconds to go. Then Murray climaxed the rally by dropping through two free throws with one second showing on the clock to drop Bettendorf.

### North Scott

Played even for three quarters by spirited North Scott, Assumption poured in 14 straight points in the fourth quarter to coast to a 71-58 victory over the Lancers. North Scott jumped off to an immediate lead and then held off repeated Knight rallies. Karl Noonan led Assumption with 18 points followed by Mike Leonard with 14.



Dick

Mike



Bob

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## Strumming

# Mist Impediates B-Four Performance

by Art Sunderbruch

Starting almost an hour late and using borrowed instruments, the Brothers Four, Columbia recording artists, captivated over 2,500 Quad-Citians for nearly two hours during their Feb. 3 concert at the Masonic Temple.

Being assigned to cover the performance, I set out to make the proper arrangements. After some extensive background work, I finally ran down the information I needed. Mrs. Thomas Cozad of Rock Island, chairwoman of the Junior Board of the Tri-City Symphony Orchestra Association, informed me, "The best time to get an interview for your school paper would probably be backstage after the show." I then contacted Mr. Ed Gordon, the stage manager, who made arrangements to admit me backstage.

### Delay

I was ready and waiting 45 minutes before the show was scheduled to begin, but was informed of a possible delay. The Brothers Four were at the Holiday Inn, Moline, waiting for the plane to arrive with their instruments and costumes. It seems they had left from Toronto, Canada, that morning and when they landed at Midway Airport in Chicago, the baggage department was 7,500 bags behind. Airline officials promised that the equipment would be on the next plane — on time for the performance — but fog grounded all later flights from Chicago.

The large audience restlessly waited while Board members combed the area for a 12-string guitar and a 5-string banjo — two uncommon instruments. The search was fruitless, so the Brothers

were supplied with three guitars from Grigg's Piano Co., and a 4-string banjo from the Plantation. "Fritz," Bob Flick's bass fiddle, was with them, however. "Once it was broken in two in the baggage compartment and since then it stays with us on the plane," Bob later related.

Their usual costumes, consisting of Continental pants, Irish linen shirts and colorful ascots, were also grounded in Chicago and they were forced to wear their traveling togs. "If anything, this only added more to their casual-collegiate style," observed Pat Westphal '63.

### Discovery

The Brothers Four met as fraternity brothers at the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity House at the University of Washington. The Four — Mike Kirkland, Bob Flick, Dick Foley and John Paine — were actually discovered by accident. A practical joker, who had heard them play at college parties, called and told them that they were to audition at the Colony Club in Seattle. The farce became reality when they were permitted an audition and later "discovered" by Mort Lewis, Dave Brubeck's manager, at the "Hungry i."

During the interview following the performance, Bob explained that they each have one year of college left and will probably finish as soon as possible. When asked if they plan to assume their original careers, Mike noted, "No, we're so well established that we intend to stay in business together. We've bought joint interests in some advertising agencies."

Since they were all wandering in

different directions, I decided to follow Bob, the group comic, to the organ bench. When asked if he ever got tired of doing tours, the fiddle player laughed, "We only slept for two hours last night. We stayed up until three o'clock this morning doing the 'Twist', and then had to catch our plane at five."

Dick Foley offered his opinion of the 'Twist', "I like the 'Twist', but I'm more of a spectator when attractive girls do it." The twinkle in John Paine's eye illustrated his agreement.

### Education

Except for Dick's piano training, the troupe has no formal musical education background. "We don't even read music, but we write and arrange about 25% of our material," commented Bob.

"What about movies?" I queried.

"We have had several offers and plan to make one towards the end of the year. We don't feel that we should push our careers too fast though," Bob answered.

As for foreign tours, Dick explained, "We're planning to go abroad in April to Japan and stay there for a month. Our present tour will last until the end of the month, then we go home. Until now we haven't toured abroad because there are so many difficulties when planning such a move."

These young and ambitious Four insist theirs is a wonderful way to see the world. "Of course we'll be happy when we can finally settle down with our families," they added in unison.

Ever on the move, the group left the next morning at 10:30 for Stephen's Point, Wis., followed by stops in Minnesota and New York.



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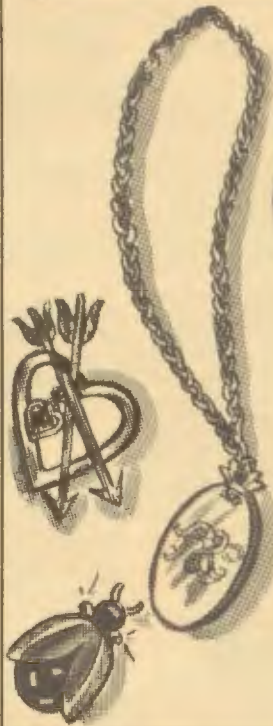
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**TWO APRIL FOOLS . . .** chewing over an idea, seniors Pat O'Toole and Bill Grothus contemplate their spaghetti dinner as they prepare for the expected guests Sunday 3:30-7:30, April 1.



# AHS Gym Sports 342 Science Projects

White mice, paramecium, chemicals and electrical devices will invade Assumption's gym for four days beginning March 28.

With Assumption acting as host, 28 schools are entering 342 projects in the sixth annual Quint-Cities Science Fair. Fr. William Stratman began preparations in early February, classifying divisions, organizing a brochure, and assigning booths. (See editorial)

Projects will be assembled between 7 and 10 pm Wednesday, March 28. Judging begins at 8 am Thursday. Fifty to sixty finalists will be selected and called to answer any questions which might arise during the judging. The fair will be open to the public on Friday evening and all day Saturday.

At an awards ceremony on Saturday night, first, second, third prizes, and 10 honorable mentions will be given in each of the four divisions. In the senior division, two students will receive grand awards, which entitle them to a trip to the National Science Fair in Seattle, Washington.

## Sophomores

AHS sophomore boys entering the biological division are: Darrell Warta with "The Structure of the DNA Molecule,"

which he illustrates by models of molecules; Mike Schebler is displaying "Comparison of DNA Molecule to RNA Molecule," by exhibiting the basic components of each on cardboard; John Genzel will present "Effects of Hormones on the Growth of African Violets," which has never been done before to his knowledge; Stan Smazal will illustrate "Mammal Respiration and Metabolism," whereby the fear of the animal is measured to find the breathing rate and amount of consumption; Ron Fall will explain "Sap Rise in Dormant Woody Plants" taken at various temperatures; Anthony Lamantia has tried to determine how small one can cut a seed and still make it grow; Patrick Collins has emphasized "Bio-Plastic Embedding" of small animals; Quinten Jansen will display the procedure "Embedding in Bio-Plastic"; and James Riley will demonstrate "Effects of Protein Deficiency on White Mice."

Soph girls are also entering the fair enthusiastically. Barb Bauer will show "The Passage of Sound through the Ear" by a diagram mounted on plywood; Carol Mullen will display "The Care

and Culture of Paramecium" using different types of water; Mary Kealey will prove the "Effects of Temperature and Hormones on Germination" with bean and oat seeds; Michele Morrison will explain "Soil and Plant Nutrition" in regards to the growth of plants; Kathy Barrett will present "The AHS Sophomore" with a model of an average girl at AHS, showing the inherited traits such as hair color, texture of skin, birth marks, etc.; Sharon Molyneaux will illustrate "Grafting and Type Breeding of African Violets"; and Mary Lou Schwarz will display "Insects in the Davenport Area" which were collected by the soph girls in the fall and displayed according to their type.

## Freshmen

Two freshmen are entering the physical division. Chuck Luther will use a 4½ pound thrust model airplane jet engine to demonstrate the "Comparison and testing Hypersonic Configurations," and William Schutte will explain "Foucault's Pendulum," using a model pendulum.

Three seniors will invade the physical science department. Bill Tiedje will test the "Strength of Concrete by Surface Area," while Dave Huyette will explain the "Metallographic Study of Diffusion in Alclad Alloys;" Howard Mentzer will display "Electrical Resistance at Low Temperatures as Metal Approach Superconductivity."

Also entered in the physical science division is junior Bruce Borne who will show "Dehydration Properties of Sulfuric Acid."

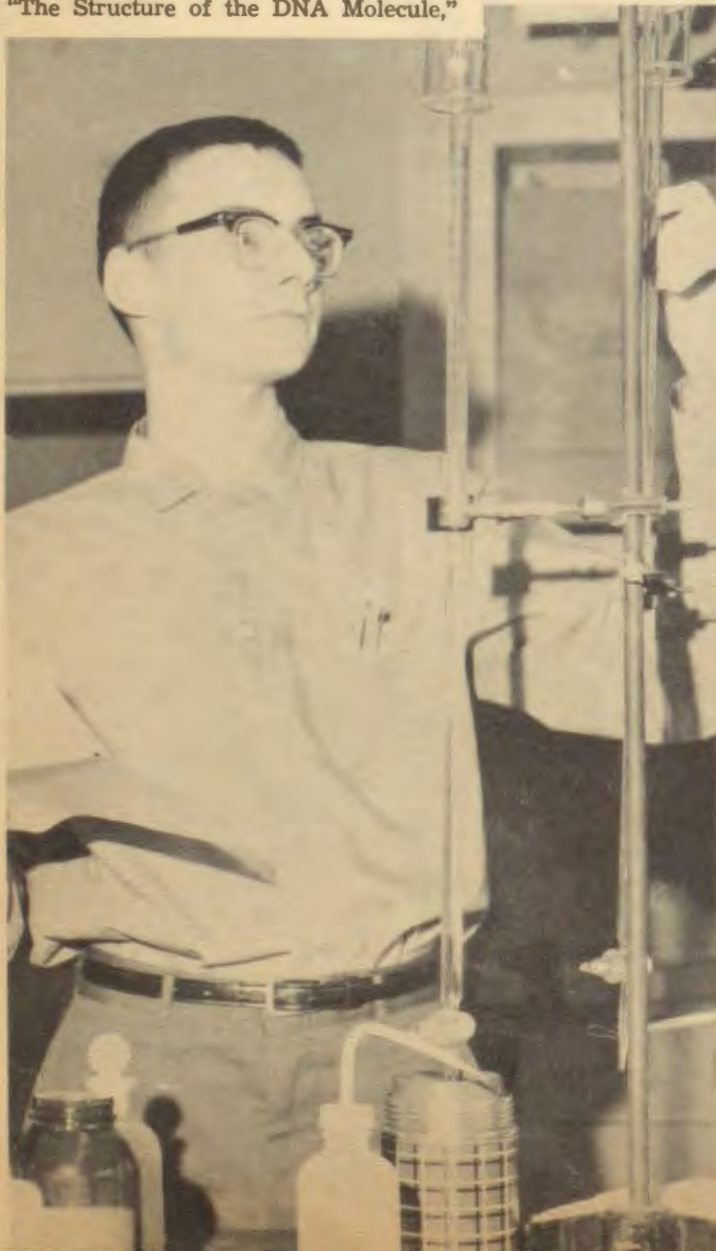
## Mortals Motor

"Chemists are a strange class of mortals . . ." reads certificates presented to four AHS juniors at Clarke College's "Focus on Science."

Assumption's chemists at the March 3 workshop were Mary Ann Soenke, Peg Pohlmann, Suzie Wells and Kathy McDermott. The group was accompanied by Sr. Mary Diana and Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM.

Twelve high schools participated in the annual event. After registration and a short welcoming address, each student was assigned to one of 15 different experiments. Peg Pohlmann worked on the "Decomposition of Nylon;" Mary Ann did a titration, while Suzie was assigned to the "Determination of Iron in Water," and Kathy did "The Determination of Lactic Acid in Milk." While participants worked on projects, faculty members attended a panel on "The Origin of Life."

"It was a day well spent as far as I'm concerned," summed Suzie.

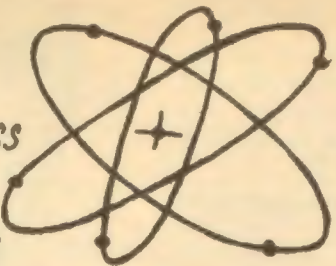


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by John Crossen

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The prophet Isaias says in the lesson for the Friday after Ash Wednesday: "Loose the bonds of wickedness, undo the bundles that oppress, let them that are broken go free, and break asunder every burden."

This concept, that "Charity is the lamp for the long dry passage of Lent," has been carried out though the Mercyette program by students such as Peg Parker '65, Michele Morrison '64 and Nancy Hunt '62. Right now, however, Derek Williams '62 is looking for students who yearn for social justice to join the Catholic Interracial Council, newly organized here in Dav-  
 enport.

Furthermore, Brother Justin Paschal, FSC, says in his article *Trimming the Lamp for Lent*, published in *Today* magazine: "Lent has been the season of self discipline and self-perfection, and ironically enough, our gaze has been fixed on ourselves instead of on the Son of Man, without whom the whole process of discipline has no point of significance."

Through our interest in the Negro we will become interested in the Son of Man and strengthen our weak spots.

Physics Prof Portrays Science Superman

About two months ago scientific-minded students began perking up white mice, plugging in generators and removing microscopes from moth balls.

About this same time another scientific-minded individual began preparing forms, classifications and registrations.

The object of attention was the annual Quint-Cities Science Fair and the diligent individual was Fr. William Stratman.

When Assumption was announced as the 1962 host, the greater part of the burden fell on Father Stratman. Letters and forms began pouring in from the 28 participating schools. To add to the confusion Father's phone rang with late minute cancellations — disrupting assignments.

Finally gripping a completed list, Father clamored into the process of combining material for a brochure. To save confusion detected in last year's fair, Father decided to arrange the displays in alphabetical order, excluding those needing electricity. Serving as his girls Friday were the BVM and CHM Sisters who typed lists and sorted applications.

With the preliminary preparations completed, Father turned to the initial preparations. Students must be registered and identified when they bring in their projects. This meant badges and forms.

Setting up the gym proved tedious and difficult. Father obtained a supply of tables from the Rock Island Arsenal and a floor covering from Central high. Under Father's ardent direction large sheets of protective paper were measured and fitted to the display tables.

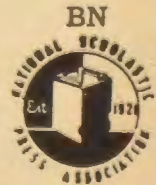
Large identifying signs "like you find in a grocery store" deck the walls and a public address system blares instructions — all preliminary activities with which Father Stratman had to contend.

All this preparation takes patience and perseverance — seemingly among Father's attributes. Along with the many awards given to the contestants, we propose a special humanitarian award to be presented to Father Stratman for his work on the fair.



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# Cheerleader Evie Scores

"Two year old Billy has begun to say 'no' when he is asked to put away his toys. This response

- A. typifies a normal child's growth toward independence.
- B. shows that Billy is spoiled.
- C. shows that Billy has not been properly disciplined.
- D. should be ignored."

Do you know the answer? Senior Evie Panther does, "It's A."

In the Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow contest, which contained 150 such questions and an essay on compromise in marriage, Evie ranked highest of the senior girls.

"This test is designed to discover your understanding about a wide range of situations concerned with homemaking — everything from the problems of raising children to menu planning. Much of it is plain common sense," the cheerleader comments.

Evie's test has been sent to the state finals. The winner will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from General Mills and a chance to compete in the national finals. A \$500 scholarship is awarded to the second place winner.

"I was really surprised," laughed Evie, "I never expected to win. I'm afraid in the practical application of homemaking I don't do as well as I did on the test. Last week when I was babysitting I had to fix dinner. There were two pans on the stove when I turned on the burner. When I came back 15 minutes later I found I had turned on the wrong burner and had burnt the bottom of an empty pan. I scrubbed that pan for half an hour but couldn't get the black off — it was a new pan, too."

At another babysitting job, Evie let the washer run for three hours and flooded the basement.

During retreat Evie took Sr. Mary

Helen Ann's advice — all between conference time shouldn't be spent reading — and brought embroidery with her. She even had seniors Sandy Berg and Barb Smith helping her work on a bedspread. Her knitting endeavors, however, haven't fared as well. Evie still hasn't finished the sweater she began in sophomore year.

This year the versatile Evie also won a medal in the Voice of America contest on "What Freedom Means To Me," and tied for first place in the Sodality's Catholic authors contest.

"THE EGG AND I . . .," senior Evie Panther, AHS's Homemaker of Tomorrow, seems to be explaining.



## Spaghetti Dinner Seniors String Along With Project

An Italian organ grinder and monkey in the AHS Cafeteria? This was just one of the ideas suggested for publicizing the 1962 senior project — a spaghetti dinner.

Headed by senior officers Jane Murney, Lori Neufeld, Elaine Feeny, Nancy Kearney, Jerry Ketelaar, John Stoker, Dearn Huyette and Jim Keefe, and faculty advisor Rev. Marvin Eldred, committees are being formed and enthusiasm is growing.

Senior officers held meetings early in March with Fr. Robert Amborn, Sr. Mary Ann Esther, Fr. Edmund J. Weeg. After discussion, class members decided on a

spaghetti dinner and chose April 1 from 3:30 to 7:30 pm.

"Good advertising from the success of the previous years and excellent kitchen facilities were the major reasons for choosing such a project," explained Elaine Feeny.

"Original decorations are a must," Nancy Kearney points out. Red and white striped tablecloths and perhaps an Italian violinist serenading the guests are a few suggestions.

"I am using the notes left by Sr. Mary Borgia, BVM, as a basis for planning," reports Father Eldred. Tickets went on sale March 16 at 50¢ for children and \$1.50 for adults.

An opening campaign assembly was held stressing the need for "Unity in the senior class." Slides were shown of last year's dinner and letters were given by Father William F. Wiebler to the '62 senior class from the '61 senior boys encouraging work, reminiscing over the fun, and wishing success. "All seniors will be involved in the dinner in some way," hopes Father Eldred.

Committee heads Toni Colbrese, Mary Trollan, Tom Bivens, Evie Panther, Terry Thompson, Dick BENDER, Pat Carroll, Al Rashid, Bill Thiesson, Anne Balluff, Jane Wells, Jim Keefe, Janet Barrett, Barney Purcell, Denny Andrew, Josie Fennelly, Bob Schroeder, Pat Murray, Dale Conard, and Mike Goetsch are busy readying themselves for the event.

## Diocesan Meet

# Trophy Lures AHS Speakers

Twenty-three Assumptionites will be setting trophy in the first place trophy in the Third Annual Diocesan KC Speech Contest. The meet to be held on April 7 at St. Ambrose College is the big project of the speech department this year.

Preparing for radio talks are juniors Martha Holm, Mike Barry, and Denise Hoie. Extemporaneous speaking will be tackled by seniors Bill Flynn, Don Miller, and Dave Huyette.

Entering the original oratory contest are Frank Solis '62, Derek Williams '62, and Janet Abbas '64. Two debate teams consisting of seniors John Lepetit, Howard Mentzer, Bill Weichmann, John

Crossen, John Stoker, and Mike Quigley, and two others will also compete.

Sophs Kathy Barrett, Sue Reidel, and Pat Ruhde, will interpret prose, while sophs Mary Elizabeth Griggs and Mary Wacker and Louise De Zorzi '62 chose poetry selections.

The second events for John Stoker and John Crossen include after dinner speaking. Sister Mary Leon, BVM, and Mr. Joseph Maher are coaching all contestants.

Next year the speech department hopes to enter Little Six, and Iowa High School Forensic League competition as well as the diocesan meet. Last year's team captured the second place trophy.



# AHS Helps Foot Costs

"Oh, I wish I could have some ice cream!" sighed senior Mary Saunders while at a local drive-in.

But Mary's saving her spare money for the daily lenten collections. Likewise, freshman Bill Tavegia is swearing off his luncheon desserts.

The sacrificial offering, "will be presented to the Bishop with the request he transmit it to the Holy Father as a gift from the students of Assumption High School," explains Fr. Robert Amborn, Director.

Each morning an SGA officer, or a junior or senior class officer is reciting the "Prayer to the Holy Ghost for the Success of the Ecumenical Council."

Assumption was given permission from the Bishop for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament once a week. So Sister Mary Ann Esther, BVM, and Fr. Edmund Weeg worked out periods of adoration for each class.

To keep students in the spirit of the Ecumenical Council, Father Amborn asked the faculty to remind students for prayers and communions, as Pope John XXIII requested.

To keep students informed new developments of the Ecumenical Council will be stressed in religion classes.

## Spelling Bee

# Tarantula Strikes Junior Dead

The "tarantula" strikes!

This is the word that Gerald Schutte '63 misspelled, giving soph Pat Dray the word "wrinkle" and the gold medal for first place in the all-school Spelling Bee.

"Since I thought the greatest competition would come from the upper-classmen I never thought I'd win," admits Pat. The Bee, sponsored by the Pius XII Chapter of the National Honor Society, was not the first spelling award won by Pat. In 1959, while attending St. Paul's, he placed 19th in the County Spelldown and in eighth grade won first place in the contest.

An avid reader and a member of YCS, Pat was awarded a certificate of merit by the honor society for maintaining a B+ average during the last semester. Although admitting he has corrected Pat for spelling errors in class, English instructor Fr. William F. Wiebler recalls, "I particularly liked his deliberate pronunciation and syllabification . . . Pat uses the 'be a bully' system in which he breaks down words into a small, easily handled size."

Looking toward the future, Pat, who has special interests in a career of political science and world affairs, hopes to attend Notre Dame.

Girls	-----	\$804.32
Boys	-----	\$166.40
1961 Total	----	\$970.72

## Lenten Gift

"Since the administration looks upon the lenten sacrifice as completely voluntary, it reluctantly releases these figures for 1961. The money was used for the Kahl Home for the Aged and the BVM novitiate. This year Bishop Hayes will personally take our gift to Pope John XXIII, who will use it for the missionary activity of the universal Church."

Fr. R. Amborn  
director

## Scholars Calculate

Tournament time finds Assumptionites trapped between triangles and logs.

April 7 is the date set for the annual Math Tournament held at Clarke College, Dubuque. Eastern Iowa, western Illinois and Wisconsin schools will participate in the event.

Representatives of the girls' advanced math, advanced algebra, and geometry classes will compete for certificates of merit and excellence. An award also goes to schools with combined high individual scores.

Two hours of triangle solving, log problems, and equations follow registration. A social hour will be held preceding the awards' presentation.

Girls meriting certificates in last year's tourney were Barb Smith '61, Jane Wells '62, Jane Molyneaux '62, Sharon Barta '62, and Mary Ann Soenke '63.

## Notre Dame

# What Makes Barbara Run?

Running for the office of secretary at Notre Dame on April 8 is junior Barb Lewis.

This particular Notre Dame, however, is the Burlington high school who will host the fourth annual YCS Spring Study Day for the Davenport Diocese Federation.

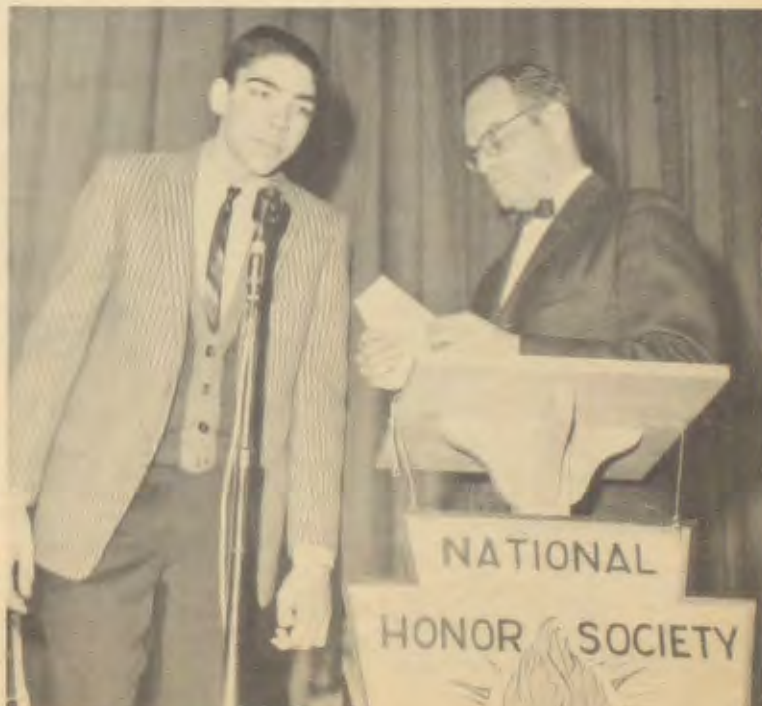
Headed by John Reigner, section president and under the direction of Fr. Jerome Leinen, section chaplain, Burlington YCSers will sponsor the event to inform and entertain area YCS chaplains, lay leaders and students.

The program will center around "Unity Through Participation." Main speakers include Right Reverend Maurice J. Dingman, Chancellor for the Davenport Diocese, and Fr. Cletus Madsen of St. Ambrose College. Each talk will be followed by group discussions led by students. After discussions a symposium will be held with comments on group conclusions.

Activities will start with registration from 8-9 a.m. and commence with a social hour.

"T-A-R-A--," PONDER'S winner Pat Dray '64 to Spelling Bee announcer Bob Brown.

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**"DID YOU, or did you not? . . ." Attorney Don Miller '62 questions Father John Boyle. Apprehensive at the examination, Judge Robert Deluhery '62 and Attorney Dave Huyette '62 prepare objections.**



**"OK! CURTAIN UP, let's roll 'em" barks Mr. Joseph Maher as he prepares for opening night of the Variety Show.**

## The Play's

**COURT IN SESSION . . . the Knight Beacon of Assumption high opposes the Pius XI Journal in the recent mock trial. The Journal won, decided the 12 man jury from area schools.**







EDVTTIA NVITVLI . . . "Turn that thing around and make mine rot gut," orders Al Rashid '62 to soph Cathy O'Brien, as senior Lori Neufeld waits for her date.



**THE WATER'S FINE,** invites Mary Jeanne Goettsch '65 as she cavorts through her act in the variety show.

## The McThing

**SEEING DOUBLE?** . . . yes, because there's a double cast for the school play, Mrs. McThing. Also, the witch replaces Howay with a stick so there's two of him. But see for yourself May 12-13.

**"WHEREIN** I'll catch the conscience of the King," Hamlet says in Shakespeare's play. But for AHS these three plays — Variety Show, Journalism Trial, Mrs. McThing — bring drama to the auditorium.



**BEWITCHED, BOTHERED AND** bewildered, Bill Schutte '65, Suzie Wells '63 and Bob Deluhery '62 rehearse a scene from "Mrs. McThing."



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# "Big Bad John" Knocks Four Off Road

by John Lepetit

Have you ever had the unfortunate experience of wrecking a car . . . or two . . . or three? No? Well, I really envy you. It's no fun — take it from the voice of experience.

When I think back I realize that "bad luck" has been my middle name for many years. It all started when I was born, and from there on accidents were common to the youngest of the Lepetit clan.

My parents made their first mistake on my fifth Christmas — Santa sent me a kiddy-car. Everything was okay for about a month or two. Then it all started. While racing around a corner, I met head on with a very stable fire hydrant. It wasn't much of an accident — only one broken wind shield and a crumpled fender. My folks took it calmly; after all, I was only five. (I wonder what Al Capone's mom and dad had to say after he committed his first crime.)

Everything was going just great until third grade when I received my first bicycle. It was a good looking bike for about three years until I decided to make a few alterations with the handle bars and fenders. Yes, it was a real hot rod. One look at her and the driver was urged to race, at least this driver was.

Every Saturday the boys around the block held their weekly race through the alleys. For the first time in three years I was in the lead, well, at least until we reached the first intersection. Then my first encounter with an automobile came about. I wasn't injured but the dent in the car's rear fender wasn't too attractive. Again my parents thought this was all in the life of a normal child.

Believe it or not, that was my only serious accident with a bicycle; however, the automotive industry was about to encounter a massive upheaval.

How could it be possible that one small, green piece of paper could cause so much trouble? Of course, I'm referring to the epitome of all evil for me — my driver's license. The succeeding is the morbid story of a "lonely teenager" not in love but in trouble.

"But mom, what possibly could go wrong? I'm no different than any other kid at Assumption." Perhaps I would have been better off to keep my mouth shut. But these words were persuasive enough to obtain my license.

The written test was a snap; only two wrong. However, in my actual driver's test I learned that you have to have eyes in the back of your head. As you probably presumed, I flunked. But I

persisted and passed on my second try. Those flying colors were soon to be at half mast.

I went for a whole month without an accident, but on Jan. 21 fate lowered the boom. John Crossen '62 and I had just left a certain person's house and turned on the corner of Rusholme and Francis Place when we started to slide (ice had now settled on the streets of Davenport). I tried to slam on the brake, but my foot slipped and the accelerator got in the way. It was like a roller-coaster as we went flying through the air and collided with a small bungalow. It wasn't that small, however. The car was completely demolished.

"Do you think we can get it fixed without letting his father know?" one of our elite sophomores asked Mr. C. W. Crossen. Unfortunately not, and soon my folks were well aware of the tragedy. My father had these few words to say when he first saw the mess, "Oh my God, how could anyone do such a stupid thing?" It wasn't easy, believe me.

Like a cowboy having been bucked off his horse I got back into the driver's seat within a month. Again, everything was going great and my father and I were both feeling brave just before the Clinton game, when he consented to let me drive to the game.

It was a great game with AHS pulling out another victory. After leaving off Jerry Ketelaar '62, senior John Lamers and I headed for my house. With my signal on we proceeded to turn into the driveway when my good friend, George "knuckle-head" Koenigsacker, decided to pass me on the left side. As you might have guessed this was number two. Not even my fault but out of the crowd that had gathered came

the phrase: "What did Lepetit do this time?"

Could it be that I'm bad luck, a human magnet? It sure seems that way. You see, it's not only when I'm driving that we get into accidents. All I have to do is to take a ride in the car. Just ask John Crossen, Mr. Bill Parker, or Fr. Daniel Kelly of Sacred Heart Cathedral. In each of these cases, within a week after I was in the car, these individuals got into an accident.

I'm beginning to think that the song "Big Bad John" has a great deal of truth connected with it.

## TV-VIP

# Sports Jacket

Have you ever been mistaken for a television star? Mr. William McAfoos has!

The source of this confusion was a sport jacket made of high quality black velveteen and trimmed with glossy pearl buttons — the likes of which Wyatt Earp would surely admire.

As Mr. McAfoos was crossing the street in his college town of Macomb, Ill., a little girl suddenly broke away from her mother and came running across the street shouting, "Mommy, Mommy, there's the Bounty Hunter." (Steve McQueen to TV fans.)

"Well, if anybody really felt like running, it was I," Assumption's coach laughed.

As much as he wanted to, Coach McAfoos simply could not supply his little fan with an autograph, since his only bounty is collected on the basketball floor.



**PARKING THE CAR** is no problem for John Lepetit '62 — it's just getting out of that newly compacted model.





JUNIOR EILEEN KOESTNER replenishes the supply of Chrism oil in the Sacred Heart sacristy while Mike Lamantia '64 waits his turn.

## Mass of Chrism

# I'll take 3 gallons of oil, please

What drug store pharmacist wouldn't do a double take if asked to fill an order for three gallons of olive oil?

But the order is valid and the recipient in this case is Fr. Daniel Kelly of Sacred Heart Cathedral. Father Kelly makes this unusual request every year in preparation for his role as first assistant in the Holy Thursday Mass of the Chrism.

The assistant pastor's role takes him even further — through the halls of St. Ambrose College and into cupboards.

"Since 37 priests — including some from Assumption — participate in the Mass, we must depend on St. Ambrose to furnish the amices and albs," explains Father Kelly.

Father rummages through cupboards to obtain lemon juice and bread. "After blessing the oils the bishop washes his hands in the lemon to cut the grease in the oils, and dries them with bread, which is absorbant," he continues.

Immediately prior to the ceremony, the Sacred Heart priests are kept busy training six Assumption boys to serve as acolytes, crossbearer, and thurifer (incense-bearer). On Wednesday they prepare the bishop's table, laying out two candles, a mixing spoon, and the pontificales — special books from which the bishop reads the consecration prayers.

The Holy Thursday ceremony begins with a low mass celebrated by Bishop Ralph L. Hayes. Following the consecration the deacons proceed to the sanctuary with a silver urn containing the oils of the sick. The bishop blesses the oils and returns to his mass until the ablution.

Preceded by a solemn procession, the remaining two urns are carried to the sanctuary table. The bishop blesses

the oils of the chrisms and the oils of the catechumens, mixing them with balsam, an oriental spice. Followed by the 12 priests, he breathes three times over each urn in the form of the cross.

With the ceremony completed, Father Kelly can be found in the rectory, bottling the oils for distribution. A representative from each deanery then picks up a supply of the oils for the use of the parishes throughout the diocese.

"Because the former oils can no longer be used, we usually take our old supply out back, stuff it with cotton, and burn it," Father Kelly describes.

The new supply is utilized to administer the sacraments and for other consecrations. "Oil is used because it is thought to be a sign of strength and healing power. Healing power, both spiritual and physical, is illustrated when the oils are used in Extreme Unction. The strength of the oils is demonstrated when a child is baptized or confirmed," concludes Father Kelly.

## S G A Reports

**Ring and Pix** — the council will purchase a class ring and arrange for Alfredo Omiste's senior picture.

**Student Congress** — Juniors Gwen Gaukler, Jim Kellenberger and Joe Kehoe will run for offices at the Quint-City Student Congress Convention April 14.

**Mass Books** — The council will appropriate funds toward the purchase of dialogue Mass books.

**Junior Project** — Juniors are sponsoring a movie — date indefinite — donation is 50¢.

## Class Jokes

Telling jokes is a method of gaining calmness in an Assumption speech class.

Since everyone is ill at ease before making a speech, calmness is a foremost necessity, asserts Mike Barry '63, star of last year's *Dobie Gillis*. "Before curtain time I didn't worry. However, when the curtain started to rise, my hands got clammy and my stomach felt queasy," Mike relates.

This year, as master of ceremonies in *The Roaring Twenties*, Mike found, "I've acquired more assurance since last year's play, and as the show progressed I gained more confidence." Speakers and actors, Mike explained, don't get over stage fright; they learn to control it, and perform better because of it.

Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM, girls' speech instructor, has listed several guides in promoting audience interest and enthusiasm. They include: 1) projection, 2) eye contact, 3) expression, 4) enunciation, 5) pronunciation, and 6) natural gestures.

Using these guides, Sister explains, the speaker can communicate the thought, the mood, and the spirit of his selection. "He must be vigorous, stimulating, communicative, direct, and effective," states Debbie Callahan '64, who is learning to utilize these guides.

Newscaster John Cameron Swayze, one of the outstanding announcers in America, has difficulty articulating words like "chef," "fastest," and "president." Sister M. Eustella urges her students to consult a recent dictionary for the correct pronunciation of words before their speech. Kathy Barrett '64 acquired the habit when Sister sent her to the dictionary to check the pronunciation of *mischievous*.

Sophomores Jan Adamsky and Pat Carpenter agree that actions are vital and should be definite so that they point, suggest, or emphasize, yet must be controlled as not to distract the audience. Pat recalls the speech about George, sophomore Rita Davies' imaginary henpecked husband. Rita startled her audience by yelling at George, but got them to react by her expressive actions.

Getting the audience to react with its speaker is an important attribute to a successful speech, believes Rita Davies. "I want the audience to react with my exact feelings, whether they are humorous, frightening, or sympathetic. If I can achieve this, I'll feel confident when addressing an auditorium filled to capacity, when participating in a debate forum, or simply talking in an everyday conversation," she says.

According to returning alumni, "A good speaker is better equipped to achieve many feats that he may encounter during his life."





**TEACHERS FOR AHS** will come from present classes — Barb Kruse '65 personifies possible future BVM-CHM vocations. Photo by Frederick

## Vocations

# Speakers Fire Up Recruits

"We don't give up things; we exchange one thing for another," stated Sr. Mary Carolanne, BVM, who returned to Assumption last week to talk about vocations to the girls.

Now a chemistry teacher at Clarke College, Dubuque, Sister said that "at Assumption there are many vocations, but the desire for a vocation is not always the key word. They have to be brought out of the closet and into the open."

Vocation talks in the boys' division start today with Fr. James T. Lawrence addressing the junior boys. Tomorrow, March 28, during the third period, senior boys will assemble in the auditorium to hear Fr. John Smith. Fr. Charles Greiner and Fr. L. Jerome Lein-

en will visit the sophomore and freshman religion classes.

Grads of last year who entered the seminary are: Mike Ceurvorst, Dan McGuinness, Chuck Skelly, Don Loftus, Mike Kernan and Les Bickford. Those who will enter this year ? ? ? ?

Since a vocation is a gift from God, the **Knight Beacon** editors will not attempt to designate who, among the present enrollment, have vocations. However, they did pick two freshmen to represent the future vocations from these four classes. Barb Kruse, dressed as a BVM sister, and Timm (sic) Boatman dressed as a diocesan priest, represent these future sisters and priests.

If you like, put yourself in their place and see what it feels like to don a coif or a biretta. Who knows, you might like the Roman collar or the veil!

## Law Students Film Hold - Up

Thirty hours of work for fifteen minutes of film!

Though it sounds fantastic, junior producers Bob Hill and Denny Hogan put this much time on a documentary film for third period law class.

This movie is a follow-up of a film on safety rules produced for Mr. William McAfoos' homeroom class in their sophomore year.

The law class film was taken at two locations. A trial scene was shot in the auditorium; the robbery was filmed at Britt's Men's Wear.

In the movie, Merle Shanley '63, who portrays a clerk, is shot by his boss, Mr. Britt, alias junior Bruce Cusack. Joe Connell '63, who represents Merle, attempts to win damages by showing

that Merle will be out of work for at least two months while his arm heals.

Junior Denny Thiessan, defending attorney, argues that in an emergency, such as a robbery, the owner has a right to attempt to stop the thief. It was only misfortune that Mr. Britt happened to hit his clerk instead.

Both boys consulted Mr. Stephen Hart, a lawyer, to learn what the outcome of the case would be in an actual court of law. Finding that the case could go either way, the directors decided to have the prosecuting attorney win.

One difficulty encountered during filming involved a conflicting schedule with the chorus, who were preparing for the Christmas Cantata. Bob explained, "Every time we had the stage set, the chorus would come in and move everything back." Repair work on the curtains above the stage also showed up on the tape recorder, supplied and operated by Bill Neth '63.

Props for the film included a gun, supplied by Bruce Cusack, Bob Hill's camera, and some rusty pipes, which enclosed the witness stand. Twelve members of the junior journalism class served as jurymen. Including film, developing, and tape for the recorder, the cost of the film ran about \$15.

## Principles\* Meet

Principals are busy people — especially when they are also the Iowa chairman of the National Catholic Education Association. In such a capacity Sister Mary Ann Esther, BVM, will attend the National Convention of the N.C.E.A. in Chicago March 27. She will be accompanied by Sister Mary St. Catherine, BVM. (\*we know)

Sister described her position that of a corresponding secretary. "It was my duty to notify all the Iowa schools of the up-coming convention and to encourage membership," she stated.

This is the first time Sister has attended the Convention. The topic of this year's convention is the Catholic Secondary School Appraisal and Projection.

Saturday, March 24, Sister Ann Esther, Father Boyle and two representatives from Alleman High School attended the CEEB Sub-Regional meeting at Rosary College also in Chicago.

## Pedagogue Is Poet

Senior English and homeroom teacher, Sr. Mary John Therese, BVM, has had two poems published, each in a different national magazine, in the March issues.

Her poem entitled "Spring Plowing — English IV" is printed in the current issue of the **English Journal**, published by the National Council of Teachers of English. This poem was written in syllabic-verse form.

Another poem, "The Gifted Child," a free verse about Jesus in the temple, appears in **The Catholic School Journal**.

## Hablas Espanol ?

Idioms and Argentine accents prove puzzling to the 25 girls who are preparing for the Spanish oral and written exam to be administered around the first of April.

The Assumption student with the highest score will be awarded a medal by the association, and her test, along with those of the second and third place winners, will enter national competition.

**BETWEEN CLASSES** Fr. Arthur Perry prays his breviary in the AHS chapel.





# Ambrose "Churchies" Spread The Church

The "Churchies" are kept quite busy spreading the Church.

Every Saturday from 10 o'clock 'til noon, six seminarians at St. Ambrose College (sometimes referred to as "Churchies") walk to Holy Family School to begin their lay apostolate work. They help the Sisters in teaching catechism to the boys and girls of the public schools. These children, ranging from 7 to 13 years old, are taught the same material as the pupils at Holy Family, attending these morning classes from late September to June.

The six seminarians taking part are: Pete Hart, Joe Sparks, Leo Feeney, all from Davenport and grads of Assumption High; Ronald Roth of LaSalle, Ill., Fred Payson and Joe Keeney both of Clinton, Iowa.

The boys gain a lot of experience by working with the youngsters. Joe Keeney had an amusing experience with one of his third grade pupils, Johnny. When Joe was talking about having relatives in foreign countries, Johnny raised his hand to mention that he had relatives in Europe. Quite pleased with Johnny's intelligence, Joe asked him where they lived in Europe. Johnny answered with a grin, "In Chicago."

Joe teaches his class of 14 students,

## B V M Turns I B M

Though there is no IBM machine in E-8, its proctor, Sr. Mary Joannette, BVM, is notorious for her guidance surveys.

Sister's latest survey, which she termed a socio-metric evaluation, began as a discussion among the junior girls about friends and the traits they should have.

The students were asked to write down the names of three girls who they thought had leadership for the Student Council, ability in athletics and ingenuity as a committee chairman for a dance. They also included those who would excel in a discussion group and the girls they would pick for a May Crowning.

The students who had the highest number of votes were considered by their classmates as possibilities for these phases of student life.

According to the survey, Kit Dower would probably take an active part in a discussion group and Kathy McDermott would make a good Student Council representative. Sandy Wertz and Jean Saunders, as a result of the survey, would excel in athletics.

Juanita Walz, who placed high as a possible Student Council officer, comments, "The students who received very few votes may lack leadership and athletic ability but it doesn't mean they are not friendly."

ranging from third graders to sixth graders, in the lunchroom. They call it "Fall-out Shelter No. Nine" because it's so far down in the school. One of the fifth grade boys announced, "The room must be in the basement of the basement." Joe explains, "For the first couple of weeks when school started last fall, I was usually a half hour late starting class because some of the younger kids couldn't find their way."

On Dec. 16 Joe's class had their Christmas party. Before the fun, Joe listened

## Students Stalk Bird

Looking for a two foot apple . . . a rare bird . . . a pirate? Many students leaf through stacks of magazines and newspapers to find visual aids such as these for class assignments.

After finishing a book report on *Gone With the Wind*, Denise Hoie '63 was directed to analyze a character and find a caricature in a magazine. "I really had to go back and think through the hero's (Rhett Butler) actions to get an accurate mental picture of him. After reviewing, I decided his pirate nature stood out. I pictured him as having a mustache, dark, laughing eyes and a cocky smile," she explains. Thus, the character stood out in her mind and the story became more vivid.

In Sr. Mary Gabriella's Latin classes each student is given a word and told to find a suitable illustration. When brought to class, these make learning vocabulary much easier. Pat Viggos '65, who was given the phrase, "Veni, vidi, vici," (I came, I saw, I conquered) to illustrate, brought a picture of a bride meeting her groom at the altar.

Students remember the material better, Sister stressed. "I don't think I'll ever forget the Latin expression for a 'rare bird'," groaned Barb DeZorzi '65, after looking through 11 magazines to find a picture.

Barb Carlin '63 finds this method fun as well as practical. When assigned to find pictures of the characters of several stories, Barb became so fascinated that she started a scrapbook of them.

Other students have profited from the displays, too. Recently several juniors had their interest in Latin revived when they wandered into Sister M. Gabriella's classroom and saw pictures of everything from grapes to cavemen posted around the room. Jeanne Ehrecke '63 piped, "I didn't know Latin could be this fun."

Students in Fr. William F. Wiebler's junior journalism class find examples of various types of news stories, leads and approaches and post them on the bulletin board.

Sums Kathy Morrissey '65, "Using visual aids is practical. It makes learning easier and more interesting."

to the prayers that the children were learning. The third graders were memorizing the Hail Mary, the fourth graders were mastering the Morning Offering, and the fifth and sixth graders were reciting the Confiteor. When this was completed, Joe explained the real meaning of Christmas. He said, "Christmas is Christ's birthday. It's fine to receive presents, but the biggest and best present should be Christ coming into our hearts on Christmas morning."

Pete Hart said the hardest thing to get the children to do is to go to Mass on holy days of obligation. On Dec. 1 Pete had to remind the kids to be sure to attend Mass on Dec. 8. The following Saturday several boys came with unwritten excuses. A fifth grade boy rambled, "Oh, we didn't know what time Mass started, if it was at 6:45 or 6. So I went to our neighbor's house and they said it was at 6:45. It was already 6:55, so my father said that anybody who wanted to go had better go, so nobody went."

Another boy explained, "My mother and I usually go, but when we go nobody is there, so we just decided not to go."

Pete also said, "The older pupils try to stall by talking about TV or something else, so they don't have to study."

Some of the children have been without the knowledge of Christ's teachings because they have attended a public school since first grade. One boy in Leo Feeney's sixth grade class couldn't recite the Apostle's Creed. Another girl didn't know how to pray the rosary. This was Leo's chance to spread the walls of the Church and let a few more souls in. Leo comments, "I sure took that chance. By the end of the course they knew their prayers backward and, of course, forward."

**IMPERSONATING FUTURE vocations.** Timm Boatman '65 dons a biretta. Photo by Frederick





# Freshies Edit

STABBING IN BROOKLYN, shouts the *Pen & Post* first edition. Newsboys aren't crying out the incident in Metropolitan New York or Philadelphia, however, but through the corridors at Assumption high school.

Freshman English students — taught by Sister Mary Leon, BVM — recently edited and published newspapers based on poetry studied during the third quarter. "The Cruel Brother" was the basis for the above headline and accompanying article. In this ballad, a bride is stabbed to death by her brother only minutes after her wedding. The event was modernized by such statements as: "Police are investigating the nature of the crime."

Several other poems used were: "The Little Girl Who Lost Her Finger," "The Raven," "Mycilla Dies Her Locks," and parts of *The Odessey*.

Barb Herrman, who edited the *Pen & Post*, explained, "Sister wanted to introduce us to the workings of a newspaper and to interest us in journalism. We were supposed to incorporate poems from our literature book into articles."

Barb also used ads in her publication. One read: **HAVE A NEW LOOK THIS SPRING. LET MYCILLA GIVE YOU A NEW TINT. MYCILLA AND GULLA HAIRDRESSERS.**

Besides news stories and advertisements, the "editors" utilized collections, lost and found departments, obituary columns, and pictures. Sister allowed the girls to spend two class periods on lay-out. She stated, "This is the culminating project of the poems studied this quarter."

Newspapers were decked with clever names, such as Marykay Dudek's *Lit Light*, Linda Beyer's *D-6 Dispatch*, Suzanne Lawlor's *Spotlight*, and Scoop, by Sandy Maus.

## Mrs. McThing

# Witches Sweep Assumption Stage

Though it's not Halloween there will be witches flying. Don't scoff — prepare to be bewitched on May 12-13 when the Drama Club presents *Mrs. McThing*.

Both Suzie Wells '63 and Kathy Barrett '64, who portray Mrs. Howard V. Larue III on alternate nights, are two former skeptics who no longer laugh at witches. When they did, Mrs. McThing put stick people in their places.

Senior Cheryl Carlin, alias Carrie the governess, realized Mrs. McThing's power when she saw what was done to Howay Larue, played alternately by fresh Mike Kane and Bill Schutte.

Even senior gangsters Bob "Stinker" Deluhery, Mike "Dirty Joe" McCarthy, and Bill "Poison Eddie" Grothus trem-

ble a little at her name, although Poison Eddie seems more frightened of his mother, portrayed by senior Jane Molyneaux.

As Mrs. McThing in one of her gentler moods, Kathy Ceurvorst '62 shows that witches are not always mean. To soph Sharon Molyneaux, or Mimi, she appears to be a very loving mother.

Director of this unusual fantasy is Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM. Seniors Denise O'Neill and Lynn McSweeney will assist her.

And if you don't appear either May 12 or 13 to partake of this brew, beware — Mrs. McThing may put a hex on you — say the cast.



FROSH MARY McGreevy, Barb Grell, Suzanne Lawlor and Mary Hartkop roll the press.

## Go For Broke

# Stamps Give Boys A 'Licking'

"We were anticipating a profit of \$50 to \$75 apiece, but we have yet to see it," commented Joe Nahra '63, in reference to his partnership with junior Bruce Borne in the "Borne Philatelic Service."

The "Service" originated this summer when the boys heard about a stamp collection worth over \$1,000, but being sold for \$200 because of damages. Paying \$25 at a time, and borrowing \$75 from Mr. Borne, the boys purchased the stamps.

Advertising and postage added at least another \$10 to the price. A \$4 ad in an issue of *Western Stamp Collector* brought requests for price lists of available stamps. Out of the 25-30 printed lists sent out, they received one order for \$6.85. Joe explained that individuals

bought very little and their best business was in selling to dealers.

Bruce noticed, "When we received answers to the ad, we got a cross section of the US. It gave us a chance to analyze the different kinds of people there are and to try to guess what jobs they have. We don't know if we ever guessed right, but it was interesting."

A man from Cheyenne, Wyoming, wrote in large black ink on wide lined paper, "Please send me your price list — Thanks." Is he always that concise? What kind of person wrote from Phoenix, Ariz., on personalized stationery with the "Lucky Bee Co." symbol? Note the others — Los Angeles, and other California addresses crossed out; strict, neat printing from Albany, Calif.; a postcard from Niagara Falls, N.Y.; an index card from Urbana, Ohio, written with green ink. Is the man who wrote from Walnut Creek, Calif., on "Dow Chemical Co." order sheets, a chemist?

The most unique letter came from Canada. Written in shaky, faint handwriting, the order read: "Please send me El used fine 195 as in list 55A; Great Britain No. 39 used good .45; as in list 930. New Brunswick No. 9 .50 and New Brunswick No. 9 .50, total — \$2.40." Payment was made with a \$2 Canadian bill.

The ads brought relatively few responses but Joe and Bruce think that it might be because of the exceptionally low prices.

Each of the boys have \$17 in the business and they still owe Bruce's father \$30; so they are still \$64 in the "hole." Hoping that it won't take long to "break even," Bruce feels "the experience of dealing with people, though not for too much money profit, was very interesting."



# Clinic Will 'Doctor Up' Band April 12

"Being exposed to other groups is educational. For this reason the participating schools in the Davenport Diocesan Music Festival at Ottumwa, April 12, will be asked to stay and listen to other groups perform," states Mr. Carl Paarman, Assumption band conductor.

Bob Daley '64 concurs, "It's fun to listen to other groups play, especially when we play the same numbers. By hearing someone else's interpretation of the music we can judge our own."

Music "contest" is a misnomer for the Ottumwa meeting, since no one actually wins. Properly, it is termed "workshop" or "clinic" because the constructive criticism given by the judges is meant to improve the band and chorus. "It is not the rating received that is most important at a music contest but the educational value gained," affirms Mr. Paarman.

This holds true in ensemble and solo contests. "Being able to work out a piece, to polish it and to memorize it is always a challenge to me, and I feel I am better because of it," says Stephanie Grant '62.

Mr. Paarman adds, "Anything over and above the required helps not only the individual but the band as well."

For example through co-operation between Mr. Paarman and his brother, Mr. Ralph Paarman, conductor at West, their bands were brought together for a combined football halftime performance. After the conductors worked out the intricate formations on paper, each band perfected its own section on the field. Then on two frigid mornings before the Assumption-West game, the brothers and their shivering bands lined up on the muddy Brady Street field.

That Friday, Oct. 20, the rivals united to perform as one. Majorette Cheryl Kelsey '64 remarked, "The work and effort put into a show like this is well worth it. When we heard the student body

**WHILE FROSH GIRLS** pound out newspapers, frosh officers Tony Navarro, John Kearney, Gary Thompson and Steve Huyette stoke their own blaze in the furnace room.



cheering, we knew they were truly proud of us."

Band competition is not restricted to the football field, however. In order to get the best players in the first chairs, Mr. Paarman chooses a number for each contestant to play. This saves the conductor from placing his students — they do it themselves.

In the larger schools, the Watkins-Farnam test is given twice a year. Students score from 0 to 147. In order to stay in the band they must score the minimum required at their school. Central sets its limit at 90 while West students are required to score 70 points. Musicians are tested on sight reading, articulation, dynamics, rhythm and key signatures.

At Assumption, a means of inducing achievement and practice is the awarding of letters on a point basis at the end of each year. Holding a first chair, par-

## Bands Melodize

The Assumption band goes modern with novelty pieces at the March 27 assembly.

According to director Mr. Carl Paarman, the majority of the selections will be of modern tempo. The program will include such numbers as **Pageant, Interval Town, Bach's Komm Susser Tod, Burst of Flame**, and a new selection, **Five O'Clock Rush**.

On April 12 band members will pack their instruments and journey to Ottumwa for the Diocesan Music Festival. The band will repeat some of the assembly numbers for the festival judges. Last year the band received a superior rating.

The Ottumwa trip will be financed with proceeds from the concession stand operated by band members and their parents at Assumption, St. Ambrose and grade school basketball games and tournaments.

ticipating in music contests, helping in the concession stand and extra practice hours builds up points. A minor award is 350 points, major is 500.

"Band work can be fun and still be educational, if the approach used and activities undertaken are interesting as they are at Assumption," sums Pat O'Brien '65.



by Mike McCarthy

*(Editor's Note: All junior journalists are required to bring their dictionary to class daily. The following theme (?) was written as a penalty for failure to have a dictionary in class, but it is evident Mike is acquainted with a dictionary. This article is printed as a warning to the present class.)*

The reasons I did not bring my dictionary are many and varied. The first one is because ice cream does not have bones. The second is because everyone in our family drives Cadillacs, except Grandma who eats peanut butter. The third and last is because I had to go and watch haircuts.

After hearing these excuses you may ask "Well, why is an elephant gray?" Not trying to lie or misguide you I would naturally say: To distinguish it from a blueberry.

I think it is pretty obvious that my excuses are valid and I certainly see no reason for writing this theme but since bananas have no bones I will finish it.

In my many travels and experiences it has often been asked of me "What do Santa Claus and Mickey Mouse have in common?" After years of research and incessant study and untiring service and perpetual devotion and undying tenacity and monumental elasticity I came to my famed McCarthian Theory: They both have beards except Mickey.

Those are just some of many of my famous theories that I deduced just from reason alone.

Therefore it is obvious why I did not bring my dictionary. I was working on my famous theories. I feel that I do not have to delve any deeper into the subject for fear that I might not have enough time to spend with my reasonable theories.



Dear Editor:

... As you know, your school paper is "top drawer" and I am glad to see that you are contributing your talents to keep it that way. With best wishes for your continued success, I remain.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence Irwin, vice president

West High Parents' and Boosters' Athletic Club

by Laverne Busch

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If I had a nickel, I'd tell you what I'd do. I'd spend it all on candy and eat it in front of you.

If I had a dime, it would be very nice. I'd buy myself a cherry-coke, and give you all the ice.

If I had a quarter, I surely wouldn't be blue, I'd buy a pound of oranges and give the skins to you.

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If I had a dollar, which is of course absurd, I'd buy myself a parakeet and give to you the bird.

If I had five dollars . . . . .  
If I had five bucks I'd run away from home!!!



## 'Knight' Chaplain Admonishes 'Knight' Reporter

March 13, 1962

Editor, Knight Beacon  
Assumption High School

The author of "Progressive Priest Stimulates Students" in your January issue made an unwarranted and damaging inference about prejudice in the Knights of Columbus against the Negroes. It is regrettable that, before repeating those remarks, he did not bother to get the facts from one of us who knows his Catholic Order from the inside. I hope the following facts will help clear the good name of the Knights and help prevent such irresponsible writing in the future.

Eighty years ago the Knights of Columbus was established under the direction of Father Michael McGivney as a Catholic Fraternal Society. Its purposes are stated in its charter in this order: To render 1) spiritual, 2) material and 3) social aid to its members and their families and 4) to promote works of charity and social welfare.

Our members are justly proud of the title "Strong Right Arm of Holy Mother Church" which they have earned since then by their charitable and apostolic works under the direction of our Bishops. However, we must not let this public image cause us to lose sight of the fact that the Knights of Columbus is still a CATHOLIC FRATERNAL SOCIETY, whose first obligation is to care for the needs of its members. It is not a Mission Society or an Apostolic Order established by the Church. Neither is it an open society to which every Catholic man has a right to belong. Its members have the right and duty to choose its new members carefully with the over-all good of their society in mind.

Concerning candidates for membership, however, our constitution lays down only one absolute qualification. They must be "practical Roman Catholic" men. Race or color is too insignificant to be mentioned here, in the by-laws or on the application forms. Indeed, there have been Negro members in the Knights of Columbus for years.

Following in this same Catholic spirit, Loras Council of Davenport has never rejected a Negro candidate, to my

knowledge. In fact, I know of one Negro who was approved for membership some years ago. Probably the main reason for our lack of Negro members here is simply that we have so very few Catholic Negro men in our area — surely not more than 20.

As for our seven new Negro members mentioned in the above article, we are happy to welcome them as "Fellow Knights". They were accepted and initiated as any other candidates because they were duly proposed, approved by their respective pastors and judged by our members to be among the best of our Catholic gentlemen, and interested in the benefits of Columbianism. Indeed, we do not claim that all the best Catholic men are K. of C's, but we are proud of the fact that every Knight is among the very best.

Sincerely,

A. L. Conrad

Chaplain, Council #532

### Editor's Reply:

Before the article *Progressive Priest Stimulates Students* was written, factual information was obtained from sources well acquainted with the facts. We still stand behind what we reported. There are several cases that can be offered as proof if need be. We prefer to let the matter rest. However, we think that the Knights of Columbus have about the greatest potential of any organization of the Catholic Church and our article should not be misconstrued. It was not intended as an attack but as a compliment to their recent exemplary action. Our policy is "Apostolate with action" and we feel that the action of the KC's in inducting seven Negroes illustrated this very effectively. What any individual may have read into this article was unintended.



# Seniors Shift To Overdrive In '63

Do you know what you're headed for in college?

Many students enter college unaware of what such life is like. Last year's grads report, via letters to the faculty, how college life appears to them.

Names have been withheld, but if you plan on going to college, listen to what they have to say:

"As the weeks go by, I'm beginning to find my subjects terrifically interesting, but also somewhat difficult.

So far, the main difference I've found in college work is the accelerated pace. Your reading requirements of last year really helped — I have seven books to read by the end of November. I also feel that the teachers did a pretty good job preparing us for note-taking and methods of study. The only thing that wasn't covered adequately was the accelerated pace of study. We cover a good 60 pages a week in our textbooks.

I have no gripes, though, for I know of no way in which Assumption can better prepare its students for college. There was no real shock for me when I hit college work, and this I owe to Assumption. My opinions of my high school have gone upwards. I'm convinced everyone at Assumption is doing a wonderful job.

There are two other things I think ought to be mentioned to students: First, college textbooks are written on a more advanced level, sometimes by the students' instructors. It means a lot more time spent in reading their texts. Second, students should be prepared for the idiosyncrasies of college professors . . . a lot of give is required of students in some classes."

Another grad remarked on leisure time: "Never before have I had so much

apparent free time. After the first few days, however, you realize it is not free. The thing to do then is to make out a schedule of what is to be accomplished the next day and force yourself to follow it. You find that things get done in about half the time. Of course, you can't have cars on campus and town is a goodly distance away. However, buses run right out to the campus. As for myself, I've only been in town four times since I've been here. You don't have all the distractions of the city to keep you from getting your work done."

Still another grad writes: "My grades are quite a bit better than I expected. I receive a schedule really helps. Before I go to bed at night, I make one out for the next day.

## Female Barber

# Nick Mars Jeanne's Record

Need a haircut? Why not do it yourself? Jeanne Genzel '63 has operated a private barber shop for two years. She calls it "a different experience."

Although Jeanne cuts her brothers' hair, she readily admits that she rarely cuts her father's hair. "I've only given my father a haircut once and only then because the barber shops were closed. He's never asked me to cut his since that time."

The most valuable barber's instrument, according to Jeanne, is the electric clippers. There are four attachments that snap over the head of the clippers and serve various purposes.

"I put the first attachment on the clippers and start at the back of the neck, trimming all the way down to the crown. I use the next two attachments to trim around and over the ears. Then I take the last attachment and

WITH COMB AND clippers, Jeanne Genzel '63 trims and tapers the curly pompadour of frosh Clester Graham.



The reading I did last year for your class gave me a fine preparation for college, especially the books not basically of religious nature. I refer to *The Ugly American*, *The Shook Up Generation*, the Tom Dooley books, *The Catcher In The Rye*, and many others.

Brother Gerard, my religion teacher, was really impressed by some of the books we had read. He really marvelled about *Lend Me Your Hands* and *This Tremendous Lover*."

Along the lines stressed by the grads, the school library and the YCS bookstores provide excellent opportunities for college preparation.

As Robert Frost said, "College is mainly a second chance to read the books you should read in high school."

cut close to the neck and clip the sideburns," the junior explained.

"Using a long narrow comb, one with a lot of teeth, and a scissors, I taper around the crown and even up the top. Before I finish I take the clipper and go around the neck, even off the sideburns, and the top," she continues, clipping at the air in way of demonstration.

Jeanne has had her share of bad luck, too. She vividly recalls the day she was cutting the hair of a 28 year old neighbor man. "I was doing fine until my brother Rusty bumped me. That nick in his neck ruined my reputation. Since that time he has never asked me to give him a haircut."

## Girls Strike

What's a "College Bowl" without a college?

The junior girls discovered it's twice as much fun. With nine girls competing, they staged their own "College Bowl" — minus college — on March 26.

Though the show was conducted similar to its TV equivalent, all questions pertained to Church history, and were composed by the students during religion class.

Contestants were selected according to quarter grades. Representing E-4 were Sally Cogan, Marcia Kohler and Angie More. Contestants for E-6 included Denise Hoie, Barb Lewis and Mary Ann Soenke, while E-8 entered Mardi Gaydos, Pat Hammond and Kathy McDermott.

To further aid their Church study a panel discussion on the upcoming Ecumenical Council is scheduled for the near future. Six contestants will compare facts from the Council of Trent in 1545 to students' attitudes on the fall council.



# Ice Water Cools Bulldogs

by Mike Barry

Though his name's not Reggie, and he's not a red-head, six-foot one senior Pat Murray has been dubbed Assumption basketball team "fireman."

Pat is a fine example of what hard work and sheer determination can do for any potentially good athlete. In his freshman year Pat was unable to earn a starting assignment on the 'B' squad but he bounced back his sophomore season to not only start, but rank as the team's second leading scorer.

That year Pat gave evidence of things to come. With the Little Knights trailing by one point and only two seconds left in the game, Murray dropped in a field goal to win over East Moline. The Panthers became the first to call Pat "Ice Water."

During his junior year, however, Pat was back on the bench. Playing behind such standouts as Thom Eaton '61 and Karl Noonan '62, Pat rarely saw action in varsity competition.

"I did play as a junior reserve," states Pat, "but about the only thing I could do as a junior was to give the regulars as tough a time as I could. I wasn't even able to make the tournament traveling team."

Last summer Pat took to the gym for improvement. "I played basketball all summer. I'd work out three nights a week trying to develop a good shot and settle myself down. I had to get a little stronger and perfect a good shot from out," he added.

When the season opener rolled around for the Knights, Murray was in the starting lineup and he has been there ever since. In his first varsity start, the cager maintained his mastery over East Moline by dumping in 10 points and

sending the contest into an overtime with a fielder in the last few minutes of the game.

On Dec. 30 the Knights squared off against rugged cross-town rival Central. Trailing throughout the game, Assumption was pulled into another overtime thriller when Murray popped a 10 foot jumper. The Devils rallied, however, to beat the Knights 44-42.

Three weeks later the wiry senior led a Knight rally with five seconds left in the game, that fell short against Wahlert of Dubuque, by sinking a shot that pulled Assumption within one point of a victory. The Knights dropped the verdict, 60-57.

Pat's most recent heroics took place Feb. 6 when Assumption tangled with Bettendorf, a team they had previously beaten, 57-40. It was here that Pat officially earned the title of "Ice Water."

With help from Noonan, Murray spear-headed a fierce fourth quarter comeback bid by the Knights to overhaul the Bulldogs who had led throughout the game.

Noonan pumped in eight points to bring the Knights within striking distance and with only 20 seconds remaining in the game, Murray canned a jumper that brought Assumption within a point of the Bulldogs, 59-58. Then, with only a second showing on the clock, he casually swished in two free throws to give the Knights a hard-earned 60-59 victory.

An experience like the Bettendorf game "is something that happens so fast, it's really hard to think about. I had two chances. Either I was going to make them or I wasn't. My first was okay — it looked good all the way. But it was that second one that really bugged me," recalls Pat.

# Sportlite

by Don Miller

Time is running out for Knight athletes to gain revenge on their crosstown rivals, West and Central. After maintaining a winning record last year, as far as the Davenport schools were concerned, the Knights prepared confidently for another year of superiority.

We remember Assumption's high ranking football team sported a fine 7-2 record. However, we also remember that the two blemishes came from West (7-6) and Central (19-0).

If the Knights were not yet discouraged when basketball season started they might be now. Having finished the season with an even 11-11 mark, the record shows that five of those 11 losses came from the Davenport "Hydra." The revolting part of it is that only one of those defeats came by more than five points. That one loss — the district tournament though, was the most disappointing.

After breezing through the opening game against Muscatine, Assumption girded itself for West. It appeared for awhile, that the Knights were going to break the jinx, but the roof fell in and the basketball team joined the football and wrestling squads by concluding their seasons winless over Davenport.

In the major sports only baseball and track have a chance to get Assumption back on the beam. The golf and tennis teams will also get a crack at the problem.

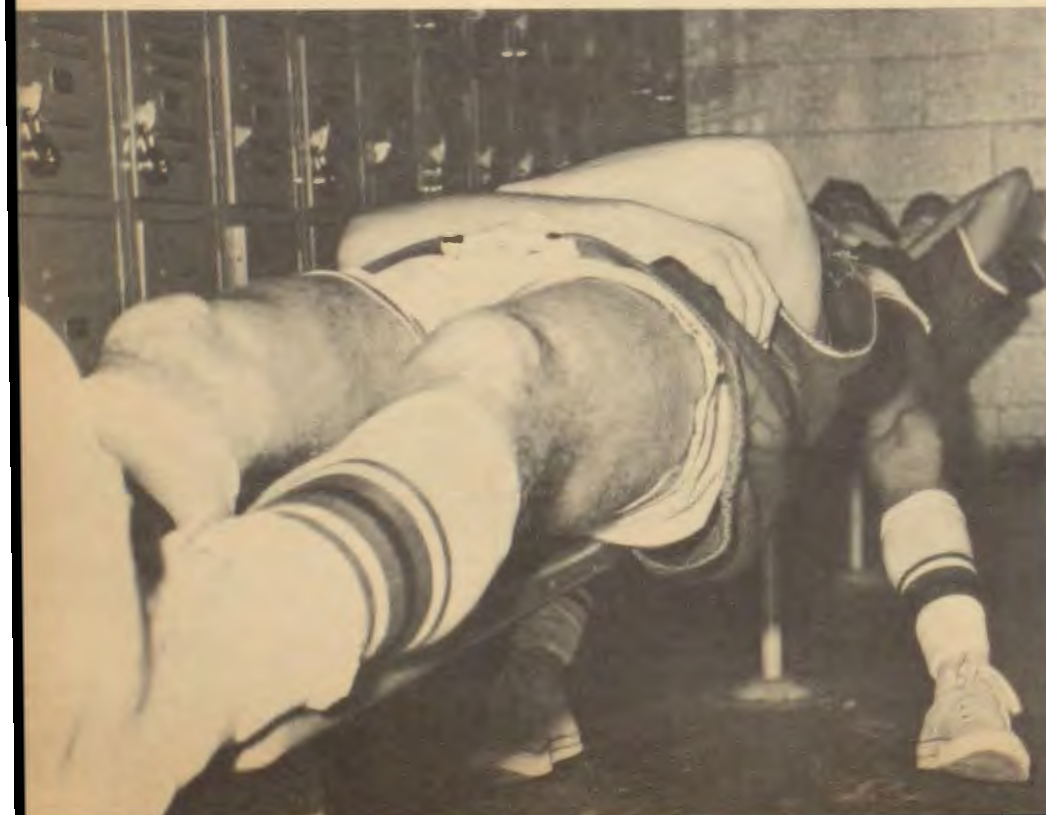
Never in the history of Assumption has one whole year gone by when Assumption teams have completed a year without downing one of the "twins" at least once. But it's getting late in the year and this is one Assumption first we don't want to see.

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Last year Assumption's basketball team finished third in the state. Although the roundballers didn't duplicate this feat Assumption did have a third place winner in a state meet. The sport was wrestling — the winner was Stan Maliszewski '62. Stan won the district championship in the heavyweight class which thereby qualified him for the state tourney.

Stan went to the state finals in his junior year but was eliminated in the first round. He was determined not to repeat that performance. After rolling through his first round match, he ran into a rough second opponent. It was touch and go all the way before Stan finally fell on a referee's decision. But he came back to win in the evening. Stan says he was "just plain lucky." But we know about 20 heavyweights who think he was just plain good.

STRETCHING BETWEEN halves, these Knights soak up strength for a comeback.







WITH UNDIVIDED attention, seniors Dan Brookhart and Tom Nolan absorb Coach Derouin's comments.

## Turf Flies For Linksters

Assumption "divoters" open their season against West and Central on April 5.

Although the linksters lost Scrap O'Donnell, Vince Neu, who shot seven consecutive 41's last year, and Hal Fee-ney, Coach "Babe" Derouin claims a bagful of experienced seniors, such as lettermen Bill Flynn, Mike McCarthy and Jerry Keefe. Juniors who are expected to see a lot of action are Pat McGreevy, Mike Flynn and Joe Kehoe. Out of the 30 candidates, Coach Derouin will choose a squad of 12.

Typifying the team's attitude, Jerry Keefe remarks, "This year we have the potential and experience to go all the way — to the state." Coach Derouin agrees that the Knights are state champs until someone else proves different.

This year the three Davenport high schools — Central, West and Assumption — will play all three Park Board courses. Each team will practice one

day a week at Emeis, Duck Creek and Credit Island.

Among the Knights' chief opponents this year are Muscatine and Clinton. The Muskies are the defending state champions and, as always, Clinton proves a challenge. The golfers will also be the first team to represent Assumption in the Little Six Conference to be held May 19.

"For four years, now, we starters have anticipated a state championship. This might be the year. After all, we can't let Father Walter feel superior with the only state championship golf team," concludes Bill Flynn, veteran golfer.

## Track Gun Goes

With the first meet only a few weeks away, Mr. McAfoos, head track coach, is working hard to get the cindermen in shape. Snow, ice and low temperatures, however, have proved obstacles.

The season officially opens at Iowa City, March 31, with the Iowa State Indoor Meet. Three days later, the Little Six Conference will hold their indoor meet at the Iowa Fieldhouse. Only a few will compete in the state indoor, while the remainder of the squad will start at the Conference meet.

Coach McAfoos feels that this year's team is shaping up better than many of the past squads. Returning veterans and promising underclassmen could give Assumption a fairly strong team.

## AHS Girls Handle Coaching Jobs

"The team was in a huddle. The coach was at the head."

Who's the coach? Every Saturday morning at Sacred Heart, 12 Assumption girls turn coaches for grade school girls' basketball.

"It all began when the Sacred Heart girls began looking for coaches for their intramural games. Since my sister is a captain, she asked me to coach her team. I called two senior and junior leaders to coach each of the other teams," explained organizer Cathy Speer '62.

"The girls really enjoy playing. We have trouble making them leave at noon," said Sue Schwarte '62. "They're good too! Some of them could put us to shame," observed senior Lynn McSweeney. "It's helping me to be a better referee because they play so fast," commented Fran Nelson '62.

The other girls who coach teams are seniors Denise O'Neill, Karen Haiston, Nancy Imming and Jane Wells, and

juniors Eileen Koestner, Carolyn Abresch, Mary Ann Carr, and Jenny Walatka.

So if you hear a whistle on Saturday mornings around the Sacred Heart area it's not for the AHS girls, but from them.

**BICEPS BULGING, Tom Murray '64 muscles a Clinton opponent.**



## Non - pros Get Start

Coach William McAfoos, intramural director, has set no date for the already planned boys' intramural tournament.

Homeroms will compete in a round-robin tournament. Winners will be awarded trophies. In case of ties a playoff game will decide the champion.

"We will begin the program with basketball, then follow with volleyball and later softball," explained Mr. McAfoos.

Students will participate after school; faculty and parents will moderate.



# Senior Shares Walk Along Silent Road

by Erle Etzel

I live with a deaf child — he's my brother.

About six years ago my parents began to worry because David had not begun talking. On one occasion my father, coming home from work, discovered David in the driveway. When he sounded the horn, David didn't even turn.

After consulting a pediatrician, Dad agreed to submit David for further tests in Iowa City. Doctors decided that David needed surgery. We were shocked to learn that David had less than 10 decibels of hearing out of a possible 120. He was at the hospital for three weeks. Although each operation was more serious, the results only showed that David could not be helped. That is when we all realized we would have to face the fact — David would always be that way.

Though the months went by we never gave up hope. My parents were always checking with new specialists, and we all kept praying for some miracle. Education, we learned, was the only answer. At three, David started school at Augustana College, for short periods a week. The next year he was old enough to go to Davenport Oral Deaf School for a full day, five days a week. Even in the summer he had to continue school.

The biggest hardship, however, was yet to come, for David needed a full time teacher of the deaf, and religious training. Since there isn't such a school in the Quad-Cities, my little brother had to leave home to attend St. John's School for the Deaf in Milwaukee, Wis. This not only effected David's life but also the lives of each member of the family. We all had to sacrifice something to pay the

tuition. We missed David too, because it's like a part of us missing.

One of the first sports David learned was swimming. Deaf children have very little conception of the danger of water. When David learned to ride a bike, we noticed his sense of balance was so different from ours. He learns easily and never forgets. He will be able to play basketball, football and baseball, but only with the deaf. They have their own way of signaling.

Communication is not much of a problem. David tries hard to say a few words, and if we don't get the idea, out comes the paper and pencil. Also, his little hands are kept busy waving and gesturing. Already David is very good at reading lips and his new Milwaukee training is helping him tremendously.

I'll never forget the many trips I've made around the neighborhood looking for David when it was time for him to come in doors. It seems funny, but I'd call him, even knowing he couldn't hear me. I remember how worried we were having him cross streets alone, because we knew he couldn't hear car horns.

Christmas my Dad brought home a new Stereo set. I had to laugh when David saw us "twisting" in the living room. Looking at us, he made a circular motion with his finger while pointing to his head, insinuating that we must be crazy.

David has a long hard road ahead of him, but we know it's the right road with the help he is getting. Although he likes school, he comes home every other week on the plane or by train, so the time goes by very fast. Some day, with all the specialized education he is getting, maybe David will be sitting at a desk in Mr. Maher's speech class.

## Money Talks

### Gold Dome Shines For Grad

"Money isn't everything, but it sure beats whatever is in second place." These words have been uttered by many a father trying to finance his son's or daughter's college education.

Take the example of Mr. Harold Feeney who wanted to send his son Hal to college. Hal tells the story this way.

"I probably began thinking seriously about college at the beginning of my junior year and, of course, I received encouragement from my parents. They are aware and made me aware that a college education is necessary to succeed in the world." Hal's parents aided him in his decision by visiting some of the colleges in which he was interested.

"I considered going to several different schools. Since I decided to major in electrical engineering I looked into Iowa State, St. Ambrose and Marquette, but Notre Dame is the only school where I applied for admission," Hal relates. His acceptance came April 1.

Hal applied for scholarships at Notre Dame and submitted an essay to the labor scholarship competition. His efforts were rewarded when he was put on the list of the top ten alternates at Notre Dame and received an \$800 scholarship from the Quad-Cities Federation of Labor. Hal also qualified for a full tuition scholarship to St. Ambrose on the basis of his high school grades, but declined this one.

Room, board, and tuition fees at Notre Dame are \$950 per semester. This includes instruction, meals in the University dining hall, laundry, room in the residence hall, use of the general library and department libraries, mimeographed notes for courses of study, lecture admission, concerts and other entertainment at Washington Hall, medical attention, use of the Rockne Memorial gymnasium and

the athletic fields, admission to athletic events, subscription to Scholastic (University news-magazine), and a copy of the Dome (University yearbook.)

"Merely wanting to, doesn't mean that a student will be able to go to college. Admission depends on marks in high school, college entrance tests, and various other requirements. Financially speaking, any student should be able to afford college. If he doesn't have enough money on hand to pay the tuition there are numerous ways he could get it — help from parents, scholarships, summer work and even skipping a year between high school and college to earn the required tuition," Hal concludes.

## "Turn Me

TWIRLING BUT not twisting, Dick Bender '62 gives Kathy Ritter a turn.

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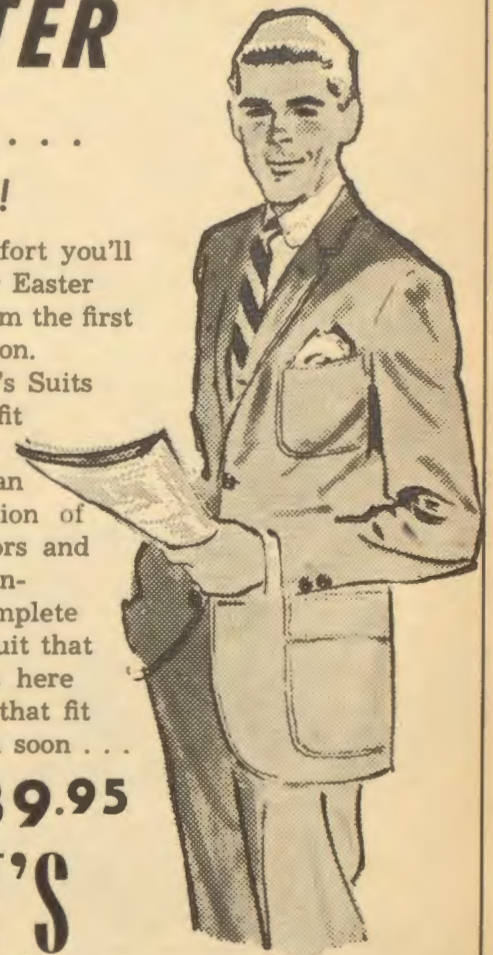
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Mrs. McThing

## BVM Veils Plot

"Witch Howay does witch Mrs. Larue want?" Confusing? That's the idea! The cast won't tell you that Mrs. McThing is a comedy that starred Helen Hayes on Broadway. They won't reveal why seniors Bill Grothus, Bob Deluhery and Mike McCarthy are rummaging through costumes left from the Variety Show last October.

Jokes director Sr. M. Eustella, BVM, "It's to keep the plot a secret. Even the scripts are stamped RESTRICTED."

If you will keep it a secret, however, they will divulge some UNCLASSIFIED information about the play. "I've been reading plays for the last few months, and finally decided on Mrs. McThing because it has been so successful at other schools," explained Sister.

In unison Suzie Wells '63 and Kathy Barrett '64 confide, "It will be held on May 12 and 13." "That's not unusual," quips Jane Molyneaux '62, "since they play the same part, that of Mrs. Larue." Adds Susie Welch '62, "It will be in the auditorium at 8:00." "Any questions?" asks Dan Brookhart '62. Al Rashid '62 suggests, "If you're still confused, talk to the cast; or better yet, see Mrs. McThing."

## Candidates Compete for Government Posts

*Doctor, lawyer, Indian chief!*

*Girls' State, sister and brother, Mercy-ette!*

*Sincerity, honesty, responsibility!*

During the next few days three classes will consider these and other qualifications of candidates for 1962-63 SGA offices. After nomination speeches for the Student Government Association Ap-

## Jrs. Seize K B

Seniors went into exile as junior journalists invaded the Knight Beacon pressroom to edit the April issue.

Leader of the invasion, now occupying the executive editor's chair, is Paul DiBlasio. His associates are Jerry Schutte and Denise Hoie. Joe Nahra, formerly a senior staff photographer, has taken over as picture editor, while the feature editor's post was captured by Mike Barry and Angie More. Standing firm as news editor is Bob Daurer. Joe Kehoe supports the sports desk. Martha Holm and Gene Jerome head the art department.

The staff was picked from the junior journalism class and is not necessarily permanent. The senior staff will return for the May composite.

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SGA CANDIDATES Jim Kellenberger and Barb Lewis '63, preparing for election speeches, port the lectern in the back door. Senior officers exit by the front. (Page 130)

ril 26, polls will open the following day.

### President

Presiding over all Student Council meetings and other school activities, the SGA president is the school's most important representative. Battling for presidency are John Burke, Don Chenoweth, and Jim Kellenberger, all '63.

John Burke is presently treasurer of his class. For the last three years John has been an active member of YCS and has also maintained a B average. He earned a varsity letter in football, is out for track, and previously worked in speech.

A National Honor Society member, Don Chenoweth was treasurer of his class for one year and is now SGA treasurer. Don is a member of YCS, has one year of track, and by wrestling for three years gained a varsity letter.

Honest Jim Kellenberger, secretary of his class and also treasurer of the National Honor Society, is the third candidate. Having a varsity letter in basketball, Jim is in track, worked in speech, and still holds first honors.

### Veep

A junior girl will vie for the vice-presidency. Running for this office are Barb Lewis and Pat Hammond.

Barb Lewis was previously president

of her class for two years. This year, Barb is SGA secretary, Assumption YCS leader, secretary-treasurer for Davenport YCS Federation, Honor Society member, third place winner in Spelling Bee, second place winner in Voice of Democracy contest, and Girls' State representative for the Davenport area at

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## Little Six "Jam"

Blaring trombones, squawking clarinets and screeching flutes will be heard as three participating bands warm up for the Muscatine - Bettendorf - Assumption Music Festival, held this year at Assumption, May 18-19.

Dr. John Leach, of Augustana, will direct the 180 piece massed band and Dr. Henry Veld, also of Augustana, will direct the combined chorus. Each school will be visited by the guest conductors on May 18 for rehearsals. May 19 all schools will be at Assumption in the morning for mass band rehearsals.

Afternoon schedules include individual performances by each group at which time the guest conductors will act as critic judges. The evening will be devoted to the concert of the massed groups which is open to the public.



**VICTORS DISPLAY TALENTS . . .**  
 Math Winners Betty LaFayette '62 and Pat Hammond '63 solve a math problem as seniors Don Miller, Dave Huyette and John Lepetit debate who will place the KC trophy in the case.



## Spring Is Sprung; AHS Students Bloom

Throwing off the effects of spring fever, Assumption students have been accumulating various honors ranging from government and speech to math.

### Government

Junior Barb Lewis completed another Assumption first when she was recently selected by American Legion Auxiliary unit 26 as Davenport's delegate to Hawkeye Girls' State (held June 17-23 on the State College of Iowa campus at Cedar Falls.) Although she is the first Assumption girl to be so honored, her achievement gains an added significance since only one girl is chosen from Davenport every two years.

### Speech

Out of 20 Assumption entries in the April 7 Diocesan Knights of Columbus Speech Contest held at St. Ambrose, 11 brought back awards. One of these was the first place school trophy.

In extemporaneous speaking, first prize was won by Don Miller '62, and second by Dave Huyette '62 (both were attorneys in the **Knights Beacon** trial).

Second in the field of news casting

## Sophs Expound

The sophs have said it again! Continuing last year's project, English classes are publishing "Said By Sophs," volume II.

"This year's edition will contain the sophomore alphabet. Listing the letters, we explain what each means to us as sophomores," explains Betsy Ward.

Other additions to the booklet include the lives of the saints in ballad form, and argumentative paragraphs debating, for example, "Is Assumption Catholic in Name Only?" and "Are Pep Meetings Effective?"

"Limericks comparing the lives of teenagers 50 years ago with teenagers today and similes telling what places at AHS remind us of, will help us measure up to the fine job done by last year's sophomore class," confides Barb Egger.

was Denise Hoie '63. Junior Martha Holm received a certificate of merit in the same division.

Telling about old school days and all the wonderful things mothers do won Pat Carpenter '64 the second place trophy in after dinner speaking.

The controversial topic of "Segregation — A Teenager's Challenge" won Sally Cogan '63 third place in original oratory. A third place award was won by Sue Riedel '64 in interpretative prose. Also rating third was the debate team composed of seniors John Crossen, Howard Mentzer, Bill Weichmann and John Lepetit.

Receiving certificates of merit in interpretative reading were Mary Wack-

## Scientists Tour

When April Showers come along, then folks "longen to goon on pilgrimages," Chaucer says. Assumption students are no exception, but they go on field trips.

Junior chemists, for instance, have their bags packed for a field trip to Chicago May 19. The bus will leave school at 4:45 am. First stop will be at the Illinois Tollway Oasis restaurant about 7:45 for breakfast.

Sr. Mary Diana, BVM, who arranged the tour, says, "We think the students will enjoy the stop. The restaurant is built on a bridge over the highway."

From there they will travel to O'Hare International Airport and then to the Field Museum of Natural History. At noon the troupe will go to the Museum of Science and Industry where they will eat and spend the rest of the afternoon.

At 5:30 pm they will begin the trip home, stopping again at the Oasis for dinner. The bus should arrive back at Assumption about 10:30.

On April 11, the boys' psychology class journeyed to East Moline to visit the mental institution. This was the second annual trip.

er '64, in poetry and Pat Ruhde '64, in prose.

### Math

Hailing as friends the once hostile logarithms and quadratics, Betty LaFayette, Jane Wells, Jane Molyneaux, all '62, and Pat Hammond '63 captured certificates of merit at the Math Tournament held April 7 at Clarke College in Dubuque.

## WHERE 'YA GOING?

The Knights will appeal to Rome for fund raising!

In order to raise money for the senior "knight to remember," the juniors will show the movie **Quo Vadis**. The movie will be held during school time — once for the freshmen and sophomores and again for the upper classmen. Although the admission charge has been set at 50¢, no date has been set.

## Seniors Dine

The seniors will have bacon and eggs a la royal for breakfast as they dine in the Gold Room of the Hotel Blackhawk May 23.

Every year seniors are treated as kings and queens for a day. The day begins at 8:30 in the auditorium as Fr. Robert Amborn offers Mass. Then the seniors will be the guests of the Mothers' Club. After breakfast Father Amborn will give a talk to the departing graduates, followed by Sr. Mary Ann Esther, BVM, and Fr. Edmund J. Weeg, whose talk "usually amounts to some last minute advice."

Following the breakfast the seniors will have the rest of the day free.

## Requiescat

Fr. James Hopkins  
 (Pastor of St. Mary's)



# Knights Combine To Remember A "Night"

Will a certain night in May be one to remember for the senior Assumption Knights and Damsels? The juniors say it will.

In medieval Europe, the origins of knighthood has been attributed to the Gallic Franks, a Germanic tribe. When a young man wished acceptance in the warrior ranks, the people of his district were called together. They inquired into his qualifications and, if he was deemed worthy, presented him a lance and shield.

Just as the Franks acknowledged their young men, the senior class will receive their lance and shield in the form of a "knight to remember," sponsored by the juniors. By their spirit and work on various activities, especially their own project — the recent spaghetti dinner — seniors achieved their "knighthood" and have actually made themselves "Knights to remember."

Thus it only seems fitting that the first four year class should be given something unique, for Assumption (take the Knight Beacon for example) is no weak imitator. Fortunately, alert members of the senior class realize that nothing has been taken away from them, rather something better is replacing it. Since they understand that it is impossible to honor the entire class with a prom at which there is only 20-25% senior representation, they are willing to replace a tradition that lacks its most important element and inaugurate one that will honor all.

Although the juniors face the responsibility of making the "knights to remember" a truly memorable evening, the seniors can make or break this affair by their anticipation, acceptance and action, or the lack thereof. Already the juniors have taken the first step by their co-operation in answering questionnaires which polled their opinions, comments and suggestions

## The Mike-rophone

### Mike Pens Easter Novel

by Mike Townsend

Many think that Easter is a novel idea.

How right they are!

With careful study and a little imagination, we can see Easter's resemblance to a novel. For example, Christ is the author of this popular edition, which, with three other volumes, makes up the liturgical year.

In the forward, the three week pre-Lenten period, we prepared ourselves for Lent. During Lent itself all ideas were woven around a theme of penance and led up to the climax — Easter.

This climax enlightened our lives and also clarified the rest of the book. If Christ had not risen, there would have been no meaning to the plot. The resurrection culminated the Easter Season; in fact, the entire liturgical year is centered around it.

Pentecost, the end of the novel, is fast approaching, but instead of laying the book down and forgetting it, let's reread the first volume.

Unlike the common best seller, this book never grows stale, but each year gives us a novel approach to Christ.

How about it, bookworms?

on general themes and ways to make the evening more enjoyable for all seniors. Ideas such as projecting the movies taken at the spaghetti dinner, and including a suitable farewell to Alfredo Omiste '62, our exchange student, are being considered.

The importance of this co-operation is explained in the Japanese proverb about the wise old lord who invited his people to a sumptuous banquet. However, the guests soon despaired as they tried to feed themselves with the yard long chopsticks that had been provided; no one was able to get a morsel to his mouth. Finally the old lord rose and suggested that each person co-operate with the one opposite him, using the long chopsticks to feed each other. Likewise, the seniors can co-operate with the juniors and the class officers to insure a successful evening.

Indeed, the seniors actually have a golden opportunity before them: the opportunity to co-operate in starting some new traditions (whether they be good or bad is up to them), traditions that will be remembered long after their spaghetti sauce has mellowed.

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# Don't Bring Lulu But Come To Luau

(Editors' Note: The following is a "flashback from the future" conversation between Denise Klingler and John Woeber as they recall their first experiences at a Hawaiian Luau.)

"Wonderful Luau, wasn't it John?"

"Sure was Denise! Ya know those juniors surprised me. I didn't think they had what it took to give us such a swell time. That Hawaiian guitarist was really cool and I'd still like to know who prepared that food. Man-oh-man . . . that poi was super! (Poi is a sauce prepared from the taro root which is pounded to paste and allowed to ferment.) This is the first time I've ever been to a luau!"

"Me too, and those decorations were simply dreamy . . . I could almost feel one of those soft tropical breezes sifting through those palm trees. Those coconuts caused a sensation when they fell.

"The turnout was great too, wasn't it? I was amazed . . . do you realize that all 202 seniors showed up? I know several felt that this was going to be just another mixer and not a night to remember. But the important thing is that we all gave it a chance and I'm sure no one is sorry."

"I think you're right, Denise. Couldn't

you just feel that air of uncertainty about everyone when you entered the doorway? Everybody finally snapped out of it though — when Dick Bender tipped over the punch bowl on his new suit, lei and all."

"Yes, John, how did that happen?"

"Well, Karl told me that in the process of loading both his and Barb Martens' trays with food, a pineapple rolled off his plate and in his haste to catch it, he snared the punch bowl and got a suit full of maraschino cherries instead! Everything turned out okay though . . . the pineapple didn't hit anybody and Dick was out kicking up a storm with Barb McCloskey on the dance floor in no time at all."

"By the way how's your hand?"

"Oh, it's okay, I only singed it."

"That'll teach you to be so eager . . . burning old note books in a ceremonial fire is fun though. Anne Balluff had to keep me from tossing my uniform in too . . . it's so frayed from wear that

my elbows have been showing for months."

"I got my hand taped just in time to catch the movies on the spaghetti dinner. They made me think of the many good times we've had as the first four year class here at Assumption."

"Yeah, me too. I didn't realize Bob Coelln looked so comical in a chef's hat! And when Barney Purcell's monkey got out of hand, Cynthia Bunge and Jane Neuhaus almost dropped plates of spaghetti."

"I think the presentation of Alfredo's farewell card was the real highlight of the evening . . . wasn't it the largest you've ever seen? Al Beh told me it was three feet tall! There was near chaos with everyone trying to sign his name first. When Kathy Ceurvorst presented the finished product, rolled and bound with that big red ribbon, the look in Alfredo's eyes were characteristic of a knight to remember!"

"Yeah, well aloha, John, see you at graduation."

## Seniors Suggest Cravings

(Editor's note: The juniors aim to please — and to help them present the seniors with the appropriate menu for the upcoming Hawaiian luau, the Knight Beacon has obtained the following suggestions from five hungry seniors.)

**Denise O'Neill** — For a luau I think we should have Hawaiian punch for sure, ham or turkey, and maybe a Hawaiian salad or dessert.

**Barb Martens** — Anything but spaghetti!

**Mary Saunders** — There should be lots of different kinds of food, including pineapples and coconuts. However, it shouldn't be so Hawaiian that the kids won't eat it — how about pork and beans?

**Phil Miclot** — Since I'm not particular, I think a line of cold cuts and potato salad with a Hawaiian touch like pineapples, assorted fruits and punch would satiate me.

**Erle Etzel** — Certainly the menu should be simple. Pineapple gin slings, a hor d'oeuvres tray of bees' knees and roast suckling pig would make appropriate appetizers.

**Impoverished student abroad to be fed from our Lenten fund collection** — "So hungry am I that anything edible would be fine — just a bowl of rice would make a banquet for me."

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May 30







## Investigators Abandon Text

by Agnes Mohr

Although textbooks, lectures and tests play a major role in science, the physics, chemistry and biology students also utilize bricks, glass and hamsters.

Using bricks, physics students search for the relationship between force, velocity and mass. Bricks, small wooden carts and rubber bands help in analyzing specific timing in varied distances between marks made on paper tapes. Pat O'Toole '62, with senior team members Pat Nemmers, Jane Neuhaus and Evie Panther, compiled a graph of their results.

### Bricks

The bricks, covered with white paper to keep the crumbs off the table, serve more than their primary purpose. Since both boys' and girls' classes are held in the lab, the paper offers writing space for special greetings. "Happy Holidays from table 4," was conveyed from the first to the second period and special mention to "see brick no. 2," appeared on a few of the much scribbled surfaces.

Brick no. 2 listed numerous phone numbers and initials with the note "no rush, Saturday is fine." Original Irish poetry was used in sending a special message.

### Glass

Glass plates in chemistry personalized the chapter on the Halogen salt producing family.

The etching process involves painting melted wax on a clean glass surface and clearing away portions of the wax with a sharp pointed object for the design. The surface is then treated with hydrofluoric acid.

Barb Carlin '63, taking her idea from the emblem of the 4-H, scratched out a four leaf clover. For those without a definite idea, Sr. Mary Diana, BVM, suggested etching their initials. Junior Mike Fitzsimmons began scratching in M. F., while Joan Berendes '63, taking one of her favorite cartoon characters, reproduced Lady, from Walt Disney's *Lady and the Tramp*. Bob Daurer and Mike Chenoweth, both '63, brought their own glass for the experiment. Bob inscribed his father's initials in an ash tray, while Mike etched the emblem of the Explorer Scouts on a plate.

### Hamsters

Hamsters roamed in biology class as soph Phil Andrew tested the effect of protein deficiency on hamsters. Two hamsters were tested; the first was given protein food and the second a non-protein diet.

Employing the small sea animal, Hydra, Pete Ebert '64 utilized three different amounts of dilute hydrochloric acid to test the resistance of Hydra for existence in the acid.

Experiments with bricks, glass and hamsters completed, the students faded back into the world of books, lectures and tests.

### COPY MACHINE

. . . You can use one and get away with it in mechanical drawing Father Conrad assures soph Paul Mapes.

## In G-Wing

# Boys Eye French Curves

by Martha Holm

Bow instruments, T squares, irregular curves, erasing shields, scales, files and now a **copying machine** are bewildering terms to the average student but to the 96 members of Fr. Anthony Conrad's mechanical drawing class they have specific meanings and purposes.

Copy machine? This isn't a device for cheating but a \$550 machine which was recently donated to the mechanical drawing department by the Engineering Supply Company. It facilitates correcting drawings because errors are easier to detect on the printed copy the machine makes.

Drawing instructor Father Conrad defines mechanical drawing as "a development of the ability to express technical ideas in a graphic manner on paper" or more simply, "a language of lines." He emphasizes that one who understands this language is able to speak to the whole industrial world.

### Background

A background in mechanical drawing is valuable for careers in engineering — both civil and industrial — architecture and professions in which women are also prominent, such as commercial art and interior decorating.

Jim Rymars '64, who is in his second year of drawing, feels that it will be of value in the career he is planning in woodworking. Mike O'Leary '64 remarks that it will assist him as a blueprinter.

Although Warren Mason, Ken Otto and George Musal, all '65, and John Georgen and Ed Ehrecke '64 haven't decided upon careers yet, they enjoy the drawing aspect of the course.

Father feels that the course helps in

rounding the personality so that one sees not just buildings, but the structure, tone, character and function of them. It also has practical applications, such as enabling a person to make a sound investment when purchasing a home in later life. If he is able to read and understand the blueprints, he is protecting himself.

### Model Furnace

During the second quarter the advanced class undertook the project of assembling a model furnace. The students made each part separately and were graded as they progressed. Some of the best models were displayed in the trophy case in the G-wing.

Artistic ability is not a necessity for good grades in this subject, confirms Father Conrad. He alleges that the basis of the course at Assumption is "a perfection of fundamentals." He grades on quality of lines, neatness and correctness.

The course is actually creative work and is also fundamental for those who hope to be fine artists. As Gary Bolster '63 comments, "Father allows us to exercise our ability by letting us work a great deal on our own." Some of the students become so engrossed that they can be heard singing, humming or whistling unknowingly as they work. This is usually quieted if it becomes too raucous.

Father would like to initiate a three year course at Assumption. In two years students can only be taught the fundamentals. A three year course would provide for more technical aspects of architecture and home design. He would also like to see girls as well as boys participate in this useful subject.



# Researchers Rocket in Science Fair

Out of 342 contestants, nine Assumptionites received recognition for their entries in the sixth annual Quint-Cities Science Fair held at Assumption March 28-30.

Receiving a first place in the junior high school division for his project, "Comparison and Testing Hypersonic Configurations," was Chuck Luther '65.

Chuck used self-made models to support his theory that blunt rocket nose cones can withstand more heat and friction upon re-entry into the earth's atmosphere than can the pointed cones.

In addition to receiving a volume of

the **Hand Book of Chemistry and Physics**, which was the first prize offered in his division, Chuck was presented a certificate by the Air Force for the most outstanding project in the field of Aero-Space Power.

Dave Huyette '62 was awarded a third place in the senior high division for a "Metallographic Study of Diffusion in Alclad Alloys."

"The project is a study of the diffusion characteristics of copper in two alclad aluminum products. I attempted to establish a relationship between the rate of copper diffusion from the core into the liner and the temperature and time of heat treating. I found that the rate of copper diffusion is comparatively slower at lower temperatures and shorter heat treating times," explains Dave.

"Correspondence with the foremost research laboratories and extensive reading confirmed the fact that information on these alloys and their diffusion properties is very limited and provides a field

open to further research and investigation," he added. (Underclassmen, please note!)

Dave received a transistor radio for winning third prize.

The only Assumption senior to receive an honorable mention in the physical science field was Howard Mentzer '62 for his experiment on the "Electrical resistance at lower temperatures as metals approach superconductivity."

In the junior high division Tom Brewer and Mike Foley, both '65, received honorable mention.

Those receiving mention for their biological projects were sophomores Kathy Barrett, Ron Fall, John Genzel and Stan Smazal.

## WPM

# Typists Click

Clickety . . . clackety . . . clickety . . . pounds Sue Ellis '62 at her typewriter. By making her clicks count, Sue prepared for the annual National Facit Accuracy Contest, April 14, Rockford, Ill.

Since Sue typed 68 wpm without errors, she had a chance to win a deluxe portable typewriter at Rockford. In the preliminary contest, she had competed with over 350,000 students from 10,500 regional typing classes.

Among the regional students winning medals for accuracy in the preliminary contest are: Cynthia Bunge, Sue Ellis, Diane White, all '62, and Veronica More '63.

In a recent Business Letter Project sponsored by the W. A. Shaeffer Pen Company, ballpoints were awarded to Lynn Mulvihill '62, and juniors Maureen McCarthy, Janet Benson and Barb Stiles.

For best business letters in their classes, Anne Geske '62, Carol Flanagan, Jean Ehrecke and Sandra Wertz, all '63, received notebook binders in the National Blank Book Company Contest.

Gloria Mendoza '62, Maureen McCarthy and Cheryl Tripp, both '63, also received typing prizes. The Faber-Castel Pencil Company bestowed these awards for best business letters.

Although the boys haven't entered any contests this year, Sister Ann Marita, CHM, considers Steve Miller '63, with a speed of 59 wpm, the fastest in the boys' division.

In the shorthand division, first year shorthand student Maureen McCarthy, won four 45 rpm shorthand dictation records from the Dictation Disc Company for her excellence in business letter writing in shorthand.

Instructor of the girl typists, Sr. M. St. Monica, BVM, has contributed articles to the "Problem Clinic" column of the **Business Education World Magazine** and also the "Tricks of the Trade" column of the **Business Teacher Magazine**.

## Candidates Vie

(Con't from page 125)

Iowa State College in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Senior scout Pat Hammond, **Daily Times'** correspondent for Patrol 18, after extensive preparation, was chosen as one of 16 delegates to attend the National Roundup this summer in Vermont. She is a member of the Mixed Chorus, GRA, and has maintained an A average for the past three years. Recently she won a certificate of merit at the Math Contest held at Clarke College, Dubuque.

### Secretary

Contending for secretary are sophs Mary Motto and Mary Thompson. Mary serves as president of the sophomore class, is a member of GRA, Sacristy Club, and YCS at Our Lady of Lourdes parish. Also secretary of Mercy-ettes in Davenport, she is in speech and is the representative from the sophomore class at Assumption for the BACT (Bettendorf Association of Catholic Teenagers).

Junior leader, Mary Thompson is in GRA, speech, and YCS at St. Paul's parish. Mary is on the honor roll, is working on art and lay-out for **Said by Sophs** magazine, was in the April 6 chorus show, and will work behind stage for the school play **Mrs. McThing**. Although Mary hasn't had any previous experience in Student Council, her brother Pat, a member of Student Council, has acquainted her with it.

### Treasurer

Pat Thompson '64 is the only candidate running for treasurer. Pat is now holding the office of class treasurer. He's in YCS, basketball, honor roll, and Glee Club. In February, Pat won fourth place in the Spelling Bee, sponsored by the National Honor Society.



SENIOR SGA officers Kathy Ceurvorst and Frank Solis leave from the front door of the school, as junior candidates start their long climb up the back stairs.



# knighthmare

by Patrick Thompson

Now that spring has arrived (?), Americans will stage a rush to the nearest barbecue grill supplier. This brings up a rather nifty thought related to some of our goofy American customs: the early settlers used to cook and eat outside until they could build a cabin; now Americans will cook inside until they can build a patio.

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After Barney Purcell '62 had been examined by a doctor in order to see the damage inflicted by a certain Italian monkey, the doctor asked if Barney had been sleeping well lately. Barney replied truthfully, "I sleep real good nights, pretty good in the mornings and up until noon, but after that I toss and turn until I get up to eat." Diagnosis: an acute case of insomnia in the afternoon due to the loss of a close friend, in this case, Barney's Henry J.

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\*How to get out of the following moods:

(\*Not guaranteed by Sr. M. Loretta Cecile's Home Ec. class.)

hen-peckedness . . . go lay an egg  
neglect . . . think of Whistler's father  
horniness . . . there's always someone worse off: Bullwinkle Moose, for example

down-to-earthness . . . go fly a kite  
spring fever . . . final exams

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Kemp Wilkins '62 quizzed Mike Morrison '64 about the problem "if April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?"

Retorting quickly, Mike exclaimed that Mayflowers bring Pilgrims.

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In reference to "Big Bad John" Lepetit's driving once again. I overheard John Crossen '62 say that he drives like lightning, so I asked if he meant that Lepetit was driving fast. John replied, "No, he keeps running into trees!"

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Discussing John Glenn's orbital flight, Sr. Michael Mary, BVM, asked her freshman history class about his faith. Eagerly Patty Wells contributed, "Well, he's got blue eyes and a nice complexion . . ." Later Patty explained she thought that Sister had asked about Glenn's face.

## Students Turn Gold Diggers

Returning from their "spelunking spree" (page 138) juniors Gene Jerome, Bill Neth, and Chuck Schmidt stumbled across Assumption students digging for good grades.

Turning up pure gold of grade "A" quality were seniors Jane Molyneaux, Jane Wells and Stan Maliszewski; juniors Barb Lewis, Angie More, Kathy McDermott and Bob Schwarz; sophs Jan Adamsky, Phyllis Hart, Kathy Barrett and Darrel Warta; freshmen Theresa Davis, Teresa Schwab, Barb DeZorzi, Jim Phelps and Steve Murray.

### Seniors

Nearby, 152 students had located a silver mine abounding in second honors. Senior prospectors were Sharon Barta, Barb Niemeyer, Cynthia Bunge, Janet Fleischman, Janet Barrett, Claudia Townsend, Sharon Williams, Betty LaFayette, Tana Cook, Frances Nelson, Donna Carpenter, Evelyn Panther, Pat Nemmers, Judy Leslein, Julie State, Candie Cox, Mary Hart, Diane Buxton, Ann Humphrey, Sue Schwarte, Sue Welch, Stephanie Grant, Sharon Steinmann, Kathy Ceurvorst, Don Miller, Dave Huyette, Gerald Kellaar, Gerald Kealey, Jim Kette, Kit Gehlsen, John Fiese, Pat Murray, John Lammers, Mike McCarthy and Bill Tiedje.

### Juniors

Juniors included Mardi Gaydos, Marcia Kohler, Pat Hammond, Mary Ann Soenke, Sally Cogan, Joan Berendes, Gwen Gaukler, Carolyn Abresch, Diane O'Toole, Kathy McKenna, Suzie Wells, Martha Holm, Jeanne Genzel, Peg Pohlmann, Gloria Borowicz, Jean Ehrecke, Mary State, Carolyn Concannon, Linda Concannon, Denise Hoie, Agnes Mohr, Jim Kellenberger, Jeff Gadiant, Bruce Borne, Bob Daurer, Tom Gusack, Tom Moore, Paul DiBlasio, Don Chenoweth, Tim Wilson, Denny Thiessen, Pat McGreevy, Mike Peterson and Joe Kehoe.

### Sophomores

Sophs were Louise Puls, Jerelyn Ryan, Barb Bauer, Geri Barrett, Janet Abbas, Mary Motto, Mary Buckwalter, Leah Cox, Mary Kealey, Mary Stanger, Debbie Callahan, Iлона Kuehnackl, Jackie Bald, Sue Mohler, Julie Joyce, Barb Beyer, Cynthia Phillips, Nancy DeJulius, Rita Davies, Kit Meisenbach, Anne Peacock, Jill Schroeder, Sharon Molyneaux, Mary Anne Nix, Charlene Gaul, Vicki Vaughan, Judy Andersen, Pat Carpenter, Mary Griggs, Mike Townsend, David Ryder, Jim Logan, John Genzel, Joseph Dray, John Hasenmiller, Philip Pash, Thomas Post, Mike Schebler, Ronald Garris, Robert Williams, Dave Votroubek, James Riley, John Neth and Charles Foster.

### Freshmen

Included were frosh Mary Hartkop, Joann Eischeid, Kathy Morrissey, Suz-

anne Schebler, Mary Wahlig, Barb Herrman, Catherine Pauli, Pat Wells, Eileen Figel, Mary Gimber, Susan Barney, Michele Vander Horn, Margaret Walatka, Phyllis Stanger, Mary Hogerty, Nancy Nagle, Carol Sampson, Linda Beyer, Michelle Chenoweth, Leon DeJulius, Robert Townsend, Michael Smith, Walter Foley, John Cogan, Glynn Davis, John Periolat, Tony Navarro, James Schepker, Bill Cooper, Steve Gadiant, Daniel Hancock, Steven Vander Horn, Michael Mulvihill, Roger Schaecher, James Lunardi, George Wahlig, Christopher Kriesa and Donald Wysoske.

Special large-sized academic nuggets were garnered by Dave Huyette '62 and Chuck Luther '65 for their prize-winning exhibits in the Sixth Annual Quint Cities Science Fair. (Page 130) Diamonds were awarded to outstanding students in speech, math, and government. (Page 126)

## Bells Hinder Belles

Three fourths of the students in Sr. Mary Diana's morning chemistry classes are blaming their exam failures on bells! They contend that the battery powered buzzers which Sister tested continuously through her first two classes were the cause of their third quarter flops. The bells were part of the preparations for the College Bowl held March 26 in the school auditorium.

Despite these protests, juniors Mardi Gaydos, Pat Hammond and Kathy McDermott of homeroom E-8, managed to sound their buzzers enough times to be declared champions in the field of church history.

The College Bowl contest, similar to the Sunday afternoon TV program, featured three varsity teams — representing the three junior girls' homerooms.

Homeroom E-6 was represented by Denise Hoie, Barb Lewis and Mary Ann Soenke, while Sally Cogan, Marcia Kohler and Angie More were delegates from E-4.

Questions were fired at the three teams for approximately 30 minutes. Toss-up questions were worth 10 points apiece and the team answering the toss-up was awarded a bonus question that paid a five point dividend for each separate correct answer.

Agnes Mohr, Jeanne Genzel and Kit Dower tabulated the score for their respective homerooms under the watchful eye of Sr. Mary Joannette, BVM.

To the victors, with a score of 170 points, went sterling silver medals. Homerooms E-4 and E-6 tied with a score of 145 points and the three representatives from each room were awarded gift certificates redeemable for a 50¢ book at the Sodality bookstore.





↑ "YOU WON'T HAVE to draft me," sighs relieved Chuck Luther '65 as he receives his first place prize from an Air Force officer.

"WATCH OUT TERRY, it bites," quips Jim Keefe '62 as the boys crowd around an interesting exhibit. ↓



# Seattle's

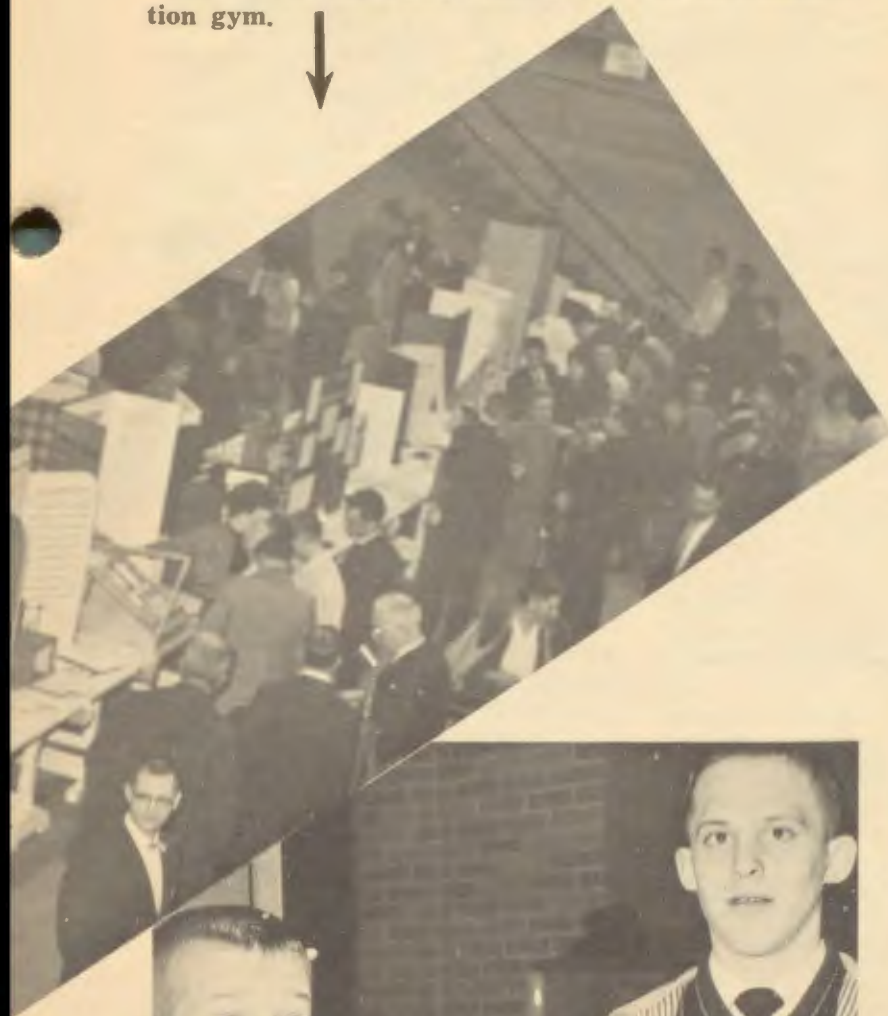
↓ "HIS FEET LOOK AS BAD AS MINE FEEL," says Ann Humphrey as her friend studies crowd dissection. They reached exhibit no. 259 before they had to rest awhile.



DEMONSTRATE, EXPLAIN, demonstrate . . . that's the hard work Chuck Luther '65 is engrossed in as he explains his prize-winning physical science exhibit.



FROM BIOLOGY TO physics in 342 easy lessons. This short course was offered March 28-30 in the Assumption gym.



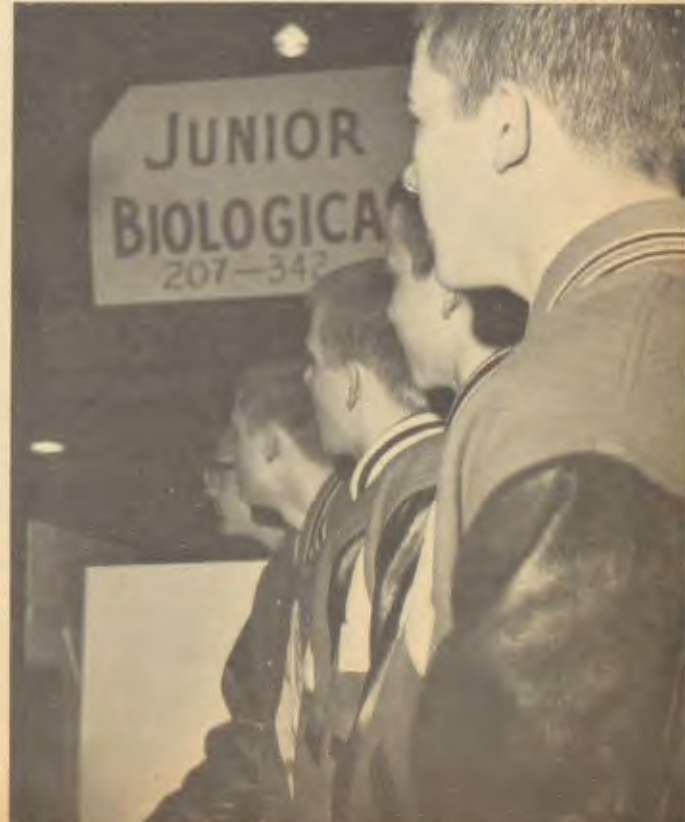
**"YOU MEAN WE** just give these out free, Father?" inquire Bob Panther and Jim Schott '65. This question was one of many put to Fr. William Stratman, Assumption's official host for the science fair.



**REACHING FOR A HANDSHAKE**, senior Dave Huyette breathes a sigh of relief and accepts the third place award in the physical science division.

## Rival?

**"THERE'LL BE NO practice tonight,"** exclaim lettermen as they line up before the Junior Biological displays set up on the gym floor.





# Guys and Gals Eye Trophies

It's a "toss-up" as to which is the best athletic homeroom in the girls' division.

For the past six weeks the girls have been competing in intramural basketball games. When the KB went to press, four freshmen and three sophomore teams were still competing for the crown. Frosh homeroom D-4, captained by Peg Parker, clobbered D-1 by the score of 34-7. Lynn Hamann was the high scorer with Pat Wells and Marge Walatka following close behind.

The high score was not the only unusual factor of the game. One of D-4's players was on academic probation which eliminates all sports activities. The game, therefore, had to be replayed.

In the junior-senior semi-finals April 24, junior homeroom E-8 will compete against senior homeroom E-2. Captain Jean Saunders '63 led E-8 to victory over two other junior homerooms, E-6 and E-4, by the scores of 14-9 and 17-7. Top scorers for E-8 were Jean, Maureen McCarthy and Juanita Walz. The juniors expect good teamwork and the fine guarding of Kit Dower to overcome their E-2 rivals.

Captained by Lori Neufeld, E-2 captured the senior crown by overpowering E-3 and E-5 with scores of 9-6 and 14-5. During the game between E-2 and E-3, seniors Pat Hogan of E-3 and Kathy Ceurvorst of E-2 collided in a rush for the ball. Kathy twisted and pulled several ligaments. Kathy later explained, "I was so embarrassed. Both the junior and senior were stopped when they had to carry me off the floor."

The E-2 seniors are counting on the shooting of Kathy Ceurvorst and the

Bouncing basketballs, screams of student coaches and tweeting whistles echoed in the gym again this year as the boy's intramural basketball program sprang into action.

"A possible Spring intramural set-up consisting of volleyball, 16 inch softball or kittenball and golf is being discussed," states Coach William McAfoos, intramural director.

Twenty homerooms participated in the round-robin tournament. Four engraved trophies donated by the Monogram Club were presented to homeroom champs.

Freshmen James Reistroffer (40) and Steve Huyette (35) led S-7 to a perfect record. Leading scorer Roger Cawiezell '64 averaged 20 points a game, pulling A-2 to a championship. Junior homerooms A-4 and A-6, with Jim Peiffer and John Burke scoring 27 and 40 respectively, sailed ahead of other contenders.

A-5's Doug Duda (46) and Barney Purcell (39) led the senior scoring while Steve Kellenberger and Mario Alvarez provided competition.

Reffing and keeping score, Monogram members aided the success of the intramural program.

rebounds from Denise O'Neill to bring them victory over E-8.

**This spring girls' gym classes will inaugurate a new sport — track. Beginning in early May the program will be under the supervision of instructors Mrs. Ben Steckel and Mrs. Gene Young.**

The girls will learn eastern and western styles of high jump, indoor standing broad jump, dash and relay running. Baseball and basketballs will be used for distance throwing.

**"HEY, WHO MOVED the hole?" inquires senior Mike McCarthy of junior golfers Mike Flynn and Joe Kehoe and senior Jerry Keefe.**



# Sportlite

by Joe Kehoe

Maybe the Assumption Boosters' Club decided that it was about time to bring the wrestlers out from under the mats. Whatever the reason, the Boosters' Club honored the wrestlers and basketball players at the same "Awards Knight." Bob Austin, well known American Football League referee, spoke.

This was not a typical Assumption banquet. First, food for thought replaced the customary minute steak and cold peas. Secondly, each speaker was given a definite time limit. Lastly, each senior was invited to the podium to say a few words.

During the evening, honorary captains for the varsity wrestling and basketball teams were announced. The wrestlers voted seniors Tom Bivens and John Fiese honorary captains, while basketball players chose seniors Karl Noonan and Dan Brookhart.

The grapplers and roundballers also presented gifts to their coaches. Mr. Joseph Maher and Mr. Ray Ambrose, the wrestling mentors, each received a desk set. The hoopers presented a tie to Mr. William McAfoos and a personalized set of cuff links to Mr. "Babe" Derouin.

The basketball team selected an all-opponent team: Dennis Rusk — East Moline, Jim Hester — Central, Tim Powers — Alleman, Jim O'Connor — Wahlert, Jim Wagner — Regis, and Terry Flannagan — Marion.

Senior Mike Leonard had tried his hardest to make the all-opponent team. In the tournament game with Muscatine, Mike got the second half tip. The cager dribbled toward the wrong basket. Well, Mike had his heart set on dribbling the length of the court and dunking the ball through the hoop for two points . . . however, Dan Brookhart finally woke him up. Oh well, it's the thought that counts.

# Linksters Roll

D-Day was April 6 . . . the first time that an Assumption team defeated Central or West this year. The Knight golfers chopped the head off the "Davenport Hydra" at Duck Creek by outscoring second place Central 172-178. West was a distant third with 179.

Joe Kehoe '63 led Assumption with 41, while Dave Correll of Central and West's Terry Thoem both notched 42's. Senior Mike McCarthy, Assumption veteran, also chipped in with 42. Jerry Keefe '62 stroked 44 and Bill Flynn '62 was close behind with 45.

Six days after decapitating Central and West, the Knight linksters clipped Rock Island Rocks 9-6.

Bill Flynn salvaged 56 in the wind and rain at Emeis to lead the Knights. Rock Island's Bruce Bjork was low for the day with 44.





**JUMPING FOR A JOB . . .** Mary Thompson '64 attempts to spring into the shoes of cheerleader Barb Lewandoski '62.

## Leaders Cheer

"B-E-A-T" . . . Spelling class in the gym? No, just the chant of 51 girls anticipating roles as future Assumption cheerleaders.

The girls attend cheerleading clinic three nights a week, learning four cheers under the guidance of varsity and reserve cheerleaders.

Earlier in the year the present squad met with Mrs. Gene Young to determine major changes in the method of selecting cheerleaders.

"Next year the number of cheerleaders will be reduced as the reserve squad will be eliminated. We decided that this year's reserves worked too hard for nothing. Next year's team will consist of six varsity and six sophomore cheerleaders. The six sophomores will cheer as a group at their games and take over the duties of this year's reserves," explained Mrs. Young.

The school song will also take on a new look. Both the sophomore and varsity squad will join to present the song between games.

Also under consideration is the choice of an honorary captain at the end of the year and an alternate captain for each game. Formerly the senior receiving the most points at try-outs was permanent captain. This year Louise DeZorzi was captain.

## Strikettes Strike

Assumption girls are compiling an impressive pin record. These girls belong to the GRA bowling league which meets every Wednesday night at the Midway Bowling Lanes.

During the Christmas season the league participated in tournament games: the Mother-Daughter, Father-Daughter, Mixed Doubles, Doubles and Singles. Assumption had first place winners in the doubles — juniors Mary Ann Gray and Donna Snyder.

"River Spooks," "Lucky 4," "Gutterball Queens," "Lucky Strikes" and "Lucky Rollers" are a few of the names the girls have given their teams.

During the regular season the girls concentrate on earning either trophies or badges, which are distributed at the spring athletic assembly. A Junior-Senior Bowlers' Banquet was held at the Masonic Temple on April 10. All leagues from Davenport high schools were invited the trophies and badges were distributed.

Several girls from Assumption received recognition. The "Gutterball Queens," with Jenny Walatka '63 as captain, received first place trophies and emblems. The "Lucky 4's" and "Lucky Strikes," winning second and third places respectively, received emblems. Sharon Morris '63, winner of the "high series," and Margaret McAllister '62, first place in the "high game," received trophies. The third place winners in doubles — juniors Donna Snyder and Mary Ann Gray — also received trophies.

"The League is really an excellent opportunity for anyone who likes to bowl and we get to meet a lot of girls from other schools," summed up Sandy Wertz '63.

## Big Feet Fly

Between tonight and May 2, the AHS track team will encounter five local rivals in away meets. Tonight they go against Rock Island and Alleman; May 1 it's Central and West, and the following day East Moline.

In the first meet of the year, March 31, at Iowa City, Assumption failed to place.

However, during Assumption's first Little Six track meet at Iowa City, April 2, Bob Hammill '62 set a new record for the 75 yard dash, finishing in eight seconds, just under the old record of 8.1 seconds.

AHS was also represented by runs of Tom Murray '64 and Karl Noonan '62. Murray took first place in the 880 yard run finishing in 2:09.9 and Noonan came in third in the 440 yard dash.

The team came in fifth with 26½ points to Ottumwa's 92, Burlington's 73½, Keokuk's 45 and Muscatine's 33. Two other records were set during the same meet: Ottumwa's Zerngast pole vaulted 11 feet 9-1/8 inches, topping the old record by 3/8 of an inch and Rich Bell of Keokuk, soaring 6 feet 1 inch, beat the old high jump record by better than an inch.

In the April 12 meet with St. Mary's Clinton and North Scott, AHS came in second with 47½ points to North Scott's 57. St. Mary's scored 18½. Bob Hammill came in first in the 100 yard dash and Pat Murray '62 and Clarence Mason '62 took first and second places respectively in the high jump. Dick Braun '63 took second in the low hurdles while Tom Murray got second in the ½ mile and Karl Noonan came in second in the quarter mile.

NOT A DOUBLE exposure . . . just flashy Joe Connell warming up at the Little Six Conference Indoor track meet.







Mary Thompson Barb Barta Michele Morrison Sue Willers Eileen McCarthy Kit Meisenbach Mary Kealey

## Chorus Adds Variety to Spring Concert

by Joan Berendes

Oklahoma! as sung at the April 6 mixed chorus concert left no doubt that the boys' chorus deserved the superior rating received at Iowa City's music festival. The stirring male voices captured the audience in one of the truly impressive numbers of the evening.

The theme, **This Is Our Country**, was ingeniously carried throughout the program by using phrases like "... keeper of traditions . . . land of festivals . . . and patriotic people."

Religious hymns sung by the varsity chorus included **Psalm 42, O Gladsome Light and Praise to the Lord**. These were

sung well but the songs were not familiar enough to be appreciated.

Broadway musicals were represented by **Younger Than Springtime (South Pacific)** and **Maria (Sound of Music)**. The latter of these was not the **Maria** taken from **West Side Story** as some of the audience expected.

American folksongs, such as **Pledge of Allegiance** and **No Man Is An Island**, were sung by the freshman mixed chorus. Eight freshmen, George Allen, Mary Goettsch, John Dunn, Jill Meyers, Leon DeJulius, Teresa Schwab, Linda Walz and Gerald White, presented square dances to **Lefthand Lady** and **The Texas Star**. This turned the concert into

more of a variety show, but was a refreshing change of pace.

In **The Lusty Month of May** from **Camelot** provided a musical setting for seven freshman and junior dancers. Jo Luther '63 offered a haunting interpretation of **Follow Me**. Led by tap-dancer Sue Riedel '64, eight sophomore girls marched to the colorful military selection, **Strike Up The Band**.

Senior soloists Vicki Kruse and Mick Trinite presented **So In Love** and **I'll Walk With God**. Pianists Joe Nahra '63 and Joe Barnes '65, who shows promise, joined to play the **Exodus** theme song. Accompanying the other numbers was senior Janet Barrett.

## Choo-Choo

## "This Train" Carries Chorus To Ottumwa

by Paul DiBlasio

With their wallets four dollars lighter, 32 bleary-eyed members of the Assumption boys' chorus boarded their bus for Ottumwa April 12 at the unthinkable hour of 6:30 am. The boys had merited the right to participate in the Diocesan Music Festival held at Ottumwa Heights by being chosen as one of the four finalists in the regional at Regina high of Iowa City.

In fact, the hour was so unthinkable that tenor Mick Trinite '62 arrived in school attire, a duffel bag in one hand and his suit on a hanger in the other. He then removed his shirt and shoes, put on robe and slippers from the duffel bag, and curled up across the back row of seats, covering himself with a cuddly blue blanket.

Meanwhile, others were either reading, talking or listening to the bus radio. Baritone Don Miller '62 conducted a tie-tying workshop in the "Duke of Windsor" method, but his instruction went to naught as baritones Gerry Kealey '62 and Rich Smith '63 ended with their fingers tangled up near their throats. Soph tenor Tom Snyder also presented his variation of the "Windsor."

With the trip three quarters of the way completed, "Peanuts" Trinite awoke, stretched his blanket across the back of the bus, and changed into his suit.

The bus pulled into Ottumwa Heights a half-hour before Mass was to start, so the boys were able to get an abbreviated look at the new school. The beautiful chapel was the most impressive, with the spacious student lounge

and snack bar rating second. Said tenor Joe Nahra '63, "If Assumption had a lounge like this, it would be the most popular place in the school!"

The pontifical high Mass celebrated by Bishop Ralph L. Hayes was an excellent example of participation as the congregation joined in the singing and recited some specific prayers along with the Bishop. In a sermon given after Mass, Bishop Hayes commended the students' efforts and urged them to continue this participation. After this the chorus went downtown for lunch.

In the afternoon, the boys put their best into performing **Defend Me, O God, This Train** and **Oklahoma**, but the top

award went to the Regina mixed chorus. Although there was good natured talk about "rumbling" the Iowa Citians for possession of the trophy, the boys felt that Regina did deserve it.

After supper downtown, the bus headed back to Davenport. The highlight of the return trip was the "story hour" narrated by "Uncle Bobby" Deluhery, senior bass, who kept his audience enraptured with tales of his numerous adventures. Bass Bill Donohoo '63 and tenors Mike Barry '63 and Frank Solis '62 also injected a few of their memorable experiences. Some of the stories had to be put back in the file as the bus arrived at Assumption and the weary minstrels trooped home.

### GOING OUR WAY?

. . . Men's chorus of Assumption ham it up for KB photographer on their return from competition at Ottumwa.





# Juniors Spell Oklahoma! With Exclamation Point

by Bob Daurer

Few of this year's junior journalists will forget that **Oklahoma!** is written with an exclamation point.

Lectures on drama, planned reading, speeches by graduates, and a play became part of their class for the past month as they prepared for the Marycrest-St. Ambrose production of **Oklahoma!** The play will be held April 26-29 in the Assumption auditorium.

In explaining medieval drama to them, Fr. William F. Wiebler used a model of the Globe Theater, where Shakespeare produced some of his plays. Also he used charts (made by Sr. Mary Eustella, BVM) to show the four levels of the theater which once stood outside London. This increased the students' awareness of theater history and traditions.

The class also read "Where the Song Begins," by Oscar Hammerstein II, and "Rodgers and Hammerstein," by Deems Taylor, which appear in the junior and senior literature books respectively. The stories told about the lives of these two men and how they produced **Oklahoma!** Individuals brought records of hit songs from the musical.

The Catholic Messenger had published an article about the play, which juniors read. Mr. James Powell had interviewed Fr. James Greene, of St. Ambrose, and Sr. Mary Elizabeth Anne, CHM, of Marycrest, who are music co-directors. Mr. Powell had asked them why they had picked **Oklahoma!** for the play. Father Greene had replied that in the past they had produced some sad shows that left the audience crying. He said, "This year we wanted something in complete contrast to that. We wanted something bouncy. **Oklahoma!** seemed just the thing." As a follow-up

to this assignment two AHS grads spoke to the class.

Kathy Kehoe '60 pointed out some of the comparisons between the original play, **Green Grow the Lilacs** by Lynn Riggs, and **Oklahoma!** She said that the language in the first had a rhythmic flow, and while **Oklahoma!** had most of its lines transplanted "... this play seems to move more." She also said that "The audience must be open-minded and not too critical. They must get into the play and really feel that they are there."

Kathy Mohr '59 went into detail telling how the play is being put together by the students. She said that Director Wayne Loui starts a new play almost as soon as the previous one is over. Kathy confirmed that this is a "do-it-yourself" play, explaining that almost everyone has several jobs in

addition to learning their own parts. She stressed that this is a group effort.

Class preparation ended with a play, the **Drop-out**, presented by a group of journalists under the direction of Kit Dower. The cast included Gene Jerome as Mr. Alquist, Juanita Walz as Mrs. Alquist, and Tim Maher as Jerry Alquist, the drop-out. Taken from the April 4 issue of **Practical English Magazine**, it was written by Roger O. Hirson. The original play was presented on the General Electric Theater earlier in the year. The story depicts the life of Jerry Alquist when he drops out of school and what he does about it.

The final step will be taken Thursday evening April 26. On that night 34 well prepared members of the audience will take their seats and wait expectantly as the curtain rises on **Oklahoma!**



**BASHFUL BEAST** ... Mick Trinite '62, encircled by beauties Jo Luther '63, Rosemary Pauli '64, Kathy Caylor '65 and Sue Riedel '64, blushes at choral concert.

## Barb And Joe Take Positions As YCS VIPs

"You can't just add Christ to your life; you must become Him." Closing the Diocesan YCS Spring Study Day held April 8 at Notre Dame high school in Burlington, Fr. Louis Colonnese reemphasized this remark made earlier by junior Mardi Gaydos.

For two Assumptionites, Young Christian Student activity is just beginning. In the federation elections, Barb Lewis '63 was named secretary and Joe Nahra '63 was chosen national representative. Retiring from these positions are seniors Jane Molyneaux and Derek Williams. Other newly elected officers include president Ed Fitzpatrick of Mount Pleasant, and vice-president Earl Volker of Otumwa.

The day climaxed with the offering of Mass by Father Colonnese. YCSers join-

ed in the responses, following Pope Pius XII's plan for Mass participation. Burlington section chaplain Fr. Jerome Leinen gave the sermon.

The Study Day centered around "Unity Through Participation." Speakers included Rt. Rev. Maurice J. Dingman, chancellor of the Davenport Diocese, and Fr. Cletus Madsen of St. Ambrose College. Each talk was followed by group discussion, a symposium, and comments on group conclusions.

Speaking at the first conference, Msgr. Dingman defined the liturgy as the public act of worship — "the Mystical Body at prayer." Again and again he stressed, "The Mass is an exchange of words followed by an exchange of gifts."

According to Father Madsen people are not satisfied by the exchange of words

in the first part of the Mass. "This is the reason for the exchange of gifts beginning with the offertory and climaxed by the minor elevation."

Following the elections, full time YCSer Audrey Pankratz read a letter from an 18 year old Brazilian boy who had recently joined the Communist party. A former YCSer, the boy had toured the United States expecting to find impressive YCS organization and activity. Instead he was confronted with much talk and little action. He then turned to the Communist party where he found abundant action. "This illustrates the drastic need for action in YCS," Audrey stressed.

The day was not all seriousness, however. After tracking down a vacant piano, Father Colonnese improvised a "Sing Along With Lou" session.





**ONE RAINY DAY . . .** Four juniors went spelunking (see story above): six sophomore girls, Geri Barrett, Mary Motto, Barb Beyer, Rosemary Pauli, Sue Thorpe and Mary Thompson settled for cycling.

## *Caves Cause Juniors to Slip, Slide, and Curse*

Slipping, sliding, and cursing through the darkness — dimly illuminated by flashlights and carbide lamps — three junior journalists and two St. Ambrose College students traversed the cold, muddy floor of Hunter's cave, ten miles north of Maquoketa, Ia.

The juniors — Bill Neth, Gene Jerome and Chuck Schmidt — made the trip with Ambrosians Stuart Peck and Pete Pederson Jan. 26. They left Davenport at 9:30 am and, after a brief stop in Maquoketa for last minute provisions, headed for the farm on which the cave was located. When the juniors came across what seemed to be the entrance, they proceeded in most enthusiastically, only to find it ended after 30 feet.

**"You guys have got the back door,"** laughed Stuart, guiding the boys to the correct entrance.

After tramping in about 30 feet they stopped in a large cavern to organize their supplies, leaving most of them on a shelf-like structure. They then filled and lit carbide lamps. After a last minute check of flashlights and clothing, they walked 120 feet across the "main room" and through a small opening, only to find another large cavern.

This room had a 50 foot ceiling. The five spelunkers, grasping the sides of the "pit," walked around an outer rim 15 feet high. This was the last "walking the boys did for quite awhile, for eventually the ceiling sank to two feet. Stuart offered to lead the way, followed by Bill, Gene, Chuck and Pete. After about 25 torturous feet of elbow-skinning, knee-breaking and shirt-tearing rocks, the boys came to a rather small room. There they regrouped. Stuart, pointing to a small opening and feeling in a joking mood, suggested Bill lead the group. Bill, being very ambitious, started in, only to find a smaller opening.

**"It's not humanly possible to get through here,"** Bill protested.

**"Sure it is. Just squeeze yourself through. We'll follow you,"** responded Stu.

**Bill pushed and squeezed, only to find**

**himself stuck tight. While pondering over the next move, he noticed lights ahead and soon the rest were looking back at him. They had easily walked around through another opening. (Bill's comments will be withheld.)**

Finally Bill backed out and rejoined the others. Feeling undaunted by his past failure, he resumed his position as head man. Stu and Pete lagged behind, watching the juniors carefully. After traveling 20 feet, partially walking and partially crawling, they came to another small room — this one with two exits.

Remembering his past experience, Bill suggested that Gene go first. "Oh, no! I conceded this honorable position to Chuck convinced the others that it would also remembering Bill's experience. Chuck convinced the others that it would be best to wait for Stuart and Pete.

When finally entering the room, Stuart took the lead and journeyed toward the left passage. Crawling through the opening, they found themselves in a small room which was lined almost completely with limestone. The only way out was over the top of a large, broad stalagmite (cone-shaped deposit protruding from the floor.) This was no easy task as Chuck — assuming first position — can testify.

**"I was probing for the floor with my feet while holding to the stalagmite for dear life. When Stuart said to let go and drop down, I had vivid sensations of a lengthy fall into the darkness. But since I was losing my grip and because I was in no position to argue, I decided to trust his word and let go. Since I was expecting at least a three or four foot fall, I was really surprised and relieved to find the floor only a few inches below,"** Chuck explains.

**Gene and Pete followed while Stuart and Bill stayed behind to take pictures. After the group had assembled on the other side, the journey continued with "fearless" Bill resuming his position as leader.**

They soon found their way to the rear of the room and again encountered

a small opening. Since it was at a 45° slant, they decided to go feet first. When Gene's turn came, he found himself stuck tight, but after considerable twisting, managed to get himself through. "When I first saw the hole, I thought I'd never make it and my forecast almost came true," he remarked afterwards. This room was about 100 feet long and, followed by a ten foot drop, led to another exit.

Hereafter the going was easy, until they came to a dead-end. This was the end of the cave and the boys were somewhat jubilant, for all their efforts had been rewarded. The "Skull Room," as it is called, became the center of attention as the boys snapped pictures of the desolated cow's skull.

**Their trip completed, the five turned back. Feeling confident, the juniors went ahead. After traveling some distance without incident, they found themselves confronted with another dead-end. Being certain they had not made a wrong turn and too proud to go back, they waited for Stuart and Pete.**

After catching up, Stuart took one look at the boys' predicament and solemnly quipped, "Well, boys, in a situation like this, I think that it is best to look up to our Creator and ask for His guidance." As all the boys looked up, they gazed at God's answer — the exit.

Feeling relieved, the spelunkers made quick progress back to the "main room." Digging into their supplies, they found the long awaited lunches, which they eagerly devoured while discussing their trip.

The remainder of the day was spent exploring other short passages, but none equal to the first.

Toward 8:00 they left the cave and walked back to the farm house. Here the weary young men thanked the owner and started their long drive home.

On the way, the once amateur, now experienced spelunkers, came to the conclusion that not only can they stand with their feet on the ground, but they can "stand" on their elbows, faces and knees as well.



# Say 'Cheese' When You Smile, Man!

"Bet you 10 to 1 that you looked at the pictures on this page before you read this article. Students always look at the pictures first when the paper is distributed," explains Picture Editor Patrick Morrissey '62.

Photo-journalists Bob Hill and Joe Nahra '63 and sophomore apprentices John Georgen and Mike Lamantia are responsible for all Knight Beacon pictures. After a staff meeting the picture editor contacts subjects and arranges for props. Then the photographers snap the shutter.

While setting up a recent picture of Evie Panther '62 in the economics lab, Pat upset some liquid in a bowl. The room smelled so bad that Pat, Evie and

photographer Joe Nahra quickly retreated.

On Sunday April 1 Joe Nahra met five seniors in the lobby of the Blackhawk Hotel at 1:30. Arrangements had been made to snap their pictures at the smorgasbord line as publicity for the junior-senior affair. Since it was rush hour they were asked to wait until the customers dwindled. After standing an hour with no sign of let up in the serving line, the seniors left. The persistent group returned the following Sunday before serving hours and took the picture.

Many times pictures are ruined by faulty equipment. The most common er-

rors concern shorted flash cords or miscalculated synchronization.

When a roll is finished, it is developed in Kodak Microdol-X and fixed in high-speed fixer. It is then washed, dried and printed. The printing paper, Kodabromide F-3 is processed in Dectol developer and high-speed fixer.

Saturday afternoons usually become printing sessions although working on week nights is not uncommon. Each session lasts about three hours (or until everything is finished). The finished photos are delivered to Pat Morrissey who crops and writes cutlines.

Results are displayed throughout the paper and particularly on the picture pages.

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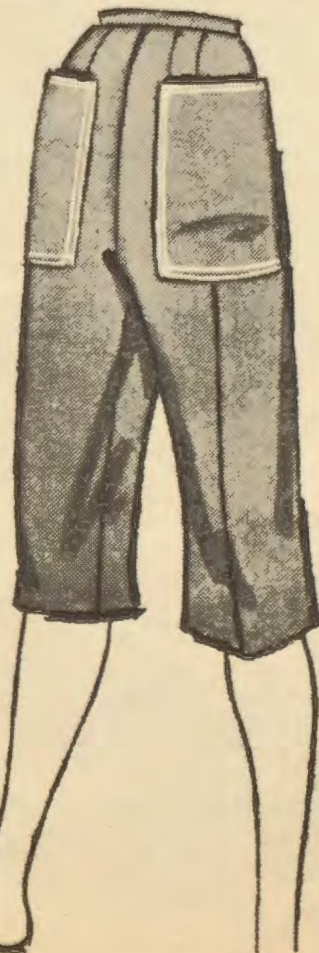
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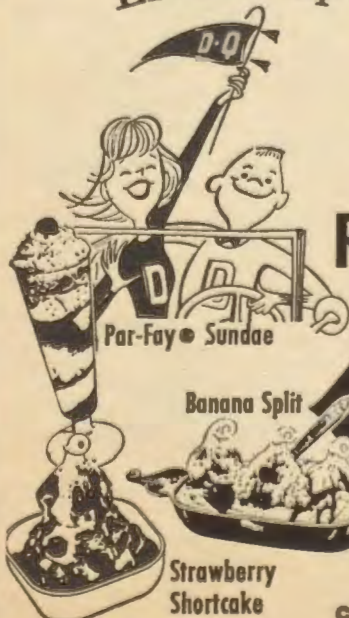


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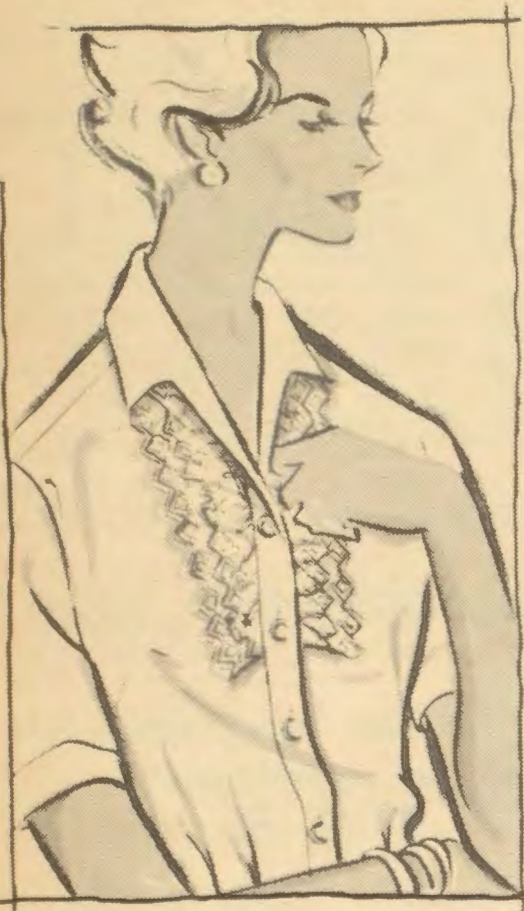


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# Diplomas Detour Thoughts

With a fresh trace of diplomas and motorboards infiltrating minds, seniors prepare to complete their remaining 15 days as active Assumptionites.

Activity begins tomorrow, May 23, when 202 seniors meet in the auditorium for graduation Mass. Fr. Robert Amborn will be celebrant at the 8:30 ceremony. Immediately following, the seniors will be honored by the Mothers' Club at a breakfast in the Gold Room of the Blackhawk hotel.

Exams begin early for the on-coming graduates. On May 29 tests will be given in the fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth period classes. First, second, third and sixth period class exams will take place on June 1.

A pleasant break in the hectic exam schedule in the Hawaiian Luau on May 30. Seniors will enter the cafeteria at 9:00 by way of a gangplank. After passing through a grass hut, they will be presented with leis and passports, which will contain various class prophecies.

A welcome address will be given by Jeff Gadiant '63, newly elected Student Council president, and answered by senior Dave Huyette. Lou Thorne and his band will play for dancing. Throughout the night, the band will be interrupted to present the remaining class prophecies over the PA, and for a song-fest, with Hawaiian music prevailing.

The Hawaiian-nautical theme will also dominate the decorations. Juniors will include a sea scape mural, decking an entire wall, a large sea shell, which will enclose the band, a water-

## Gavel Strikes

Ascending from previous Student Government offices, Don Chenoweth and Barb Lewis, both '63, accept the gavel as next year's SGA president and vice-president.

Mary Motto and Pat Thompson, both '64, will take over the positions of secretary and treasurer. All four officers have previously served on the Student Council.

Representing the '63 senior class are Jeff Gadiant and Pat Hammond, presidents; John Burke and Sally Cogan, vice-presidents; Jack Hogan and Mardi Gaydos, secretaries; and Tom Cusack and Angie More, treasurers.

Junior officers will be Dave Votroubek and Betsy Ward, presidents; Mike Morrison and Phyllis Hart, vice-presidents; Patrick Dray and Kathy Barrett, secretaries; and Mike Townsend and Barb Egger, treasurers.

Sophomore representatives will be Tony Navarro and Kathy Frater, presidents; Pat O'Brien and Teresa Schwab, vice-presidents; Mike Pracht and Mary Kay Derouin, secretaries; and Bob Townsend and Jill Meyers, treasurers.

fall and rows of palm trees.

At 11:30 a tempting buffet will be served, and the luau will terminate at 12:30.

Decked in caps and gowns, seniors will hold commencement practice on June 5 at 9:00 in the gymnasium. The final day, June 6, completes the span of Assumption's first four year class, as the seniors gather in the gymnasium at 8:00 to receive their diplomas.

## Pecuniary Aid Helps Brains And Brawn

Nine '62 grads have earned \$43,650 toward their college educations. They did not babysit, work in a drug store or mow lawns. Brawn and brain supplied scholarships for these seniors.

News of Dave Huyette's \$2,000 Alcoa scholarship came the same weekend as his Science Fair award and the Spaghetti dinner. Gary LaFayette '62, now attending St. Mary's, Winona, was last year's recipient.

This year Gary's sister, Betty, was offered a \$1,000 scholarship to St. Teresa's, Winona. Betty plans to study chemistry. For a nursing career at St. Mary's, Mary Hart will receive \$750. Both girls were awarded work contracts to help cover their remaining expenses.

On June 25 Don Miller will travel to the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs to begin his schooling. His education is estimated at \$14,000. Later plans include teaching junior high mathematics.

Princeton awarded a four year scholarship to Stan Maliszewski. Stan plans to use the \$9,600 grant to study medicine.

The Ladies of the Moose have presented Pat Nemmers with a full tuition scholarship for nursing. Pat will attend Mercy next fall.

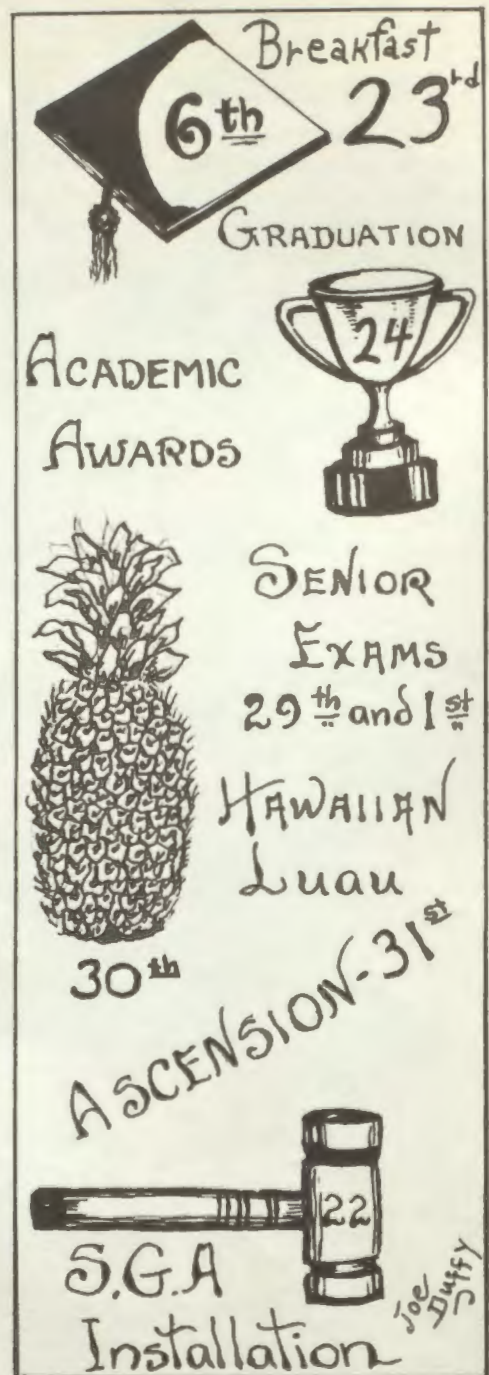
Athletic scholarships were awarded to Karl Noonan, Mick Trinite and Tom Bivens.

Although sought by others, Karl accepted Notre Dame's offer. The four year scholarship is valued at \$8,000. Dentistry will be Karl's field of study.

Mick Trinite has been awarded a full scholarship to the State University of Iowa, Iowa City. He plans to take a pre-law course.

Western Illinois University, Macomb, will provide Tom Bivens with a liberal arts degree. Tom's wrestling ability won him the \$2,000 grant.

Besides these, Marycrest and St. Ambrose Colleges offer scholarships to the two students with the highest academic standing in each division. They will be announced after fourth quarter grades have been compiled.



## Director Guides

"A few words of advice" will be dispensed to seniors at graduation ceremonies, June 6, by Fr. Ralph Thompson, spiritual director at Mt. St. Bernard Seminary, Dubuque.

Father Thompson was ordained in 1939 at the Pontifical College Josephinum, Worthington, Ohio. His first appointment was as assistant pastor at St. Mary's, Fort Madison.

During the World War II years, the spiritual director served as an Air Force chaplain in the African Theater. Later, during the Korean conflict, he was recalled to active duty.

Since his release, Father Thompson has served as assistant pastor at St. Joseph's and as resident instructor at St. Ambrose College. He was appointed to his present position at Mt. St. Bernard in 1960.



# Seniors Get Twice The Fun For Half The Price

Imagine spending \$100 in two minutes. Sounds fantastic, but unfortunately this often becomes the case as seniors walk to the podium to receive their high school diplomas.

Concerned with the rising costs of graduation, E. R. Moore, president of a large manufacturing company, conducted a survey among 788 high schools and 535,000 students. He found that 5,563 students dropped out during their senior year, just a few weeks before graduation.

One of the five major reasons was the high cost of graduation: rental of formal wear, proms, class photos, class rings, yearbooks, rental of cap and gowns, and invitations.

With the elimination and modification of several of these activities, Assumption has cut graduation fees in half. The customary yearbook, for example, is replaced by the **Knight Beacon** portfolio, which, because of its nature, presents a much wider view of student life.

The rental of caps and gowns is included in a \$15 graduation fee. This fee also covers their transportation, costs of faculty gowns, diplomas, decorations, and the speaker's fee.

Usually topping the list as far as price is concerned, the former Junior-Senior Prom has undergone a beneficial change this year. On the average, students last

year spent approximately \$6,000 on prom activities. This included formal wear, rental and decoration of the Gold Room, corsages, tickets, and dinner after the prom.

This year, with the inauguration of the Hawaiian Luau, the junior class will provide the fee — about \$800-\$1,000. The majority of this money was raised from the Christmas Formal and *Quo Vadis*.

This may be one of the few times when a person can get something for nothing — moneywise that is. Thanks to the ardent cooperation among the juniors to make the Luau a success, seniors can graduate without the usual deflated wallet or purse.



## KNIGHT BEACON

*"As a Beacon in the Night"*



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PAPER TO BED, the senior staff relaxes: (l to r) Mary Guile, John Lepetit, Stan Maliszewski, Gerry Ketelaar, Mike McCarthy, Barb Niemeyer; Ann Humphrey, Mary Ellen Trollan, Al Beh, Elaine Feeny, Bill Tiedje, Patrick Morrissey, Sharon Barta; Don Miller, John Crossen, John Lammers, Sue Welch, Claudia Townsend, Lynn McSweeney, Joe Duffy, Patricia Nemmers, Jane Wells, Terry Thompson, Anne Balluff and Fr. William F. Wiebler.





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# Spaghetti



**EXHAUSTED BY THE** hectic pace, Jim Keefe cat-naps in the faculty dining room.



**Patrick Morrissey**

**CUTTING IT CLOSE . . .** Marg Kelly slices cucumbers for salad.



**WITH AN EXPANSIVE** gesture, John Lammers hands out trays.





Henry Arguello



**HELPFUL**  
**BARB** Lewandoski passes out silverware to a hungry representative of the law.

# Sprinklings



John Woeber

**A STIFF-ARMED** Barb Niemeyer pours coffee for one of the customers. →







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**A SLEEPY-EYED Diane Buxton clears the table for soph Peggy Connell.**



**RELAXED SENIORS Sue Ellis and Mary Trainor smile as they slurp spaghetti.**



**MOBSTER PURCELL strong arms funds for the missions with the help of his monkey friend.**



**GLEEFULLY PAT Nemmers rows her way through the oceans of sauce.**



**Spaghetti**





**PENSIVELY PAT FRIEMEL** and Sue Welch stuff crepe paper and napkins into the chicken wire gondola.



**PAN WASHERS DON** Yegge and Barb Bergthold seriously discuss the success of the project.



**WOEFULLY, BEV JOHNSON** relieves her aching feet as Joan Kloss giggles.

**CLOAK ROOM BOY** Bob Berry checks a coat while Mike O'Brien looks on.







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BALLOON PEDDLER STEVE Kellenberger squints suspiciously at Mike Panther and Denny O'Neill.



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SORCERESS ANN HUMPHREY cackles over her cauldron while Bob Coelln watches.



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## knightmare

# Mike's Humor Column Dies Laughing

by Mike McCarthy

Recently I told Dan Brookhart that if he wanted to break into my column, he would have to prove himself worthy of such printed glory. In an attempt to achieve his aspired success, Dan went out and cut a record. It has been out on the market for three months. Believe it or not, it has not been a total failure — it has made one sale. The lucky customer was a sweet, old, retiring Italian man who thought he had purchased a licorice pizza.

This is a poem I received in the mail the other day. The author has desired to remain anonymous.

### THE SHOE BENDER

Who bent my Shoe!

By Gosh I wish I knew,

Here I am facing death,

With my toenails gasping their last breath.

There is a hot-selling item at the bookstore — sugar-coated shoes designed especially for students who keep putting their feet in their mouth!

In both plants and animals, it is common to find organs that serve no useful function. These organs are called vestigial organs. For example, there are some birds possessing wings that are too small for flight, whales possessing internal signs of legs, yet obviously they can't walk.

Man is no exception to the list of creatures inheriting vestigial structures. For instance, the hair is vestigial because it is too sparse to prevent heat loss. The outer ear serves no useful purpose. Your eyes are gradually growing closer together. Scientists claim in the near future your eyes will grow into one big eye.

Man is also growing taller. In medieval days, suits of armor were at an average of five feet in length.

What will be the impact of these evolutionary and vestigial changes?

Our songs will have to be revised. For example: "9'2", eye of blue, has anybody seen my gal?" or "I dream of Jeannie with the light brown scalp."

The "Cleopatra" look will be replaced by the "cyclops" look. Cosmetic sales will decline. Eyebrow pencils and eye shadow will become extinct. Best of all, the day of the cross-eyed teacher will be gone.

When each edition of the Knight Beacon comes out, I fulfill my fraternal

## Sportlite

# Athletes Star In Grads' Flashback

by Don Miller

What will the grads of the class of '62 think about, looking back 20 years from now? Prominent among their memories will be the athletic highlights of the past four years and especially of senior year.

When they think of their freshman year, maybe they'll remember Jim Cawiezell scampering into the end zone after one of his bootleg rollouts . . . or maybe how the varsity basketball team, with a sophomore named Schebler, usually came close but generally not close enough. At least they didn't until the opening round of the district tourney, when they threw the whole school into a panic by defeating Clinton by six points — a rare accomplishment in those days.

When minds wander into the 1959-1960 school year, grads might skip by that '59 fall except for that 13-13 tie with the last, and maybe mightiest of the Davenport football teams. No one can forget the way the Knights scored early and held on to the bitter end.

The next year brought something that Assumptionites were quite unaccustomed to: city football supremacy! They'll remember the West and Central games

duty by sending a copy to my brothers away at school. It is not too long when I get a postcard — "Thanks for Knight Beacon, needed tissue paper"; or "Humor Column, I thought it was Obituary Column."

Humor, whether stale or vibrant should never be criticized. The trouble with this world is that too many people are afraid to smile. In closing, I would like to thank you for your patience in deciphering this column.

even though the Knights lost 8 of 9 other games.

With Davenport under their belts, the Knight cagers decided there was bigger game to be had. They traveled to Des Moines for the state. Bob, Karl, Tony and Johnny and the boys would have made it, if it hadn't been for a bunch of wild Indians from Calumet.

After all these memories are blurred with age, those big events of that last year will still be bright. Who could forget seeing All-Stater Karl Noonan grab a short pass and twist 90 yards for a touchdown. Or who is going to forget, or live down, that the only blemishes on an otherwise perfect record were two losses to Davenport schools.

The grads will be pulling their hair when they think of that last basketball season. What about the hundreds — it seemed like hundreds — of games the Knights lost-by one point or in overtime? But then who's going to forget the way the Knights nipped the Bulldogs with six points in the last 30 seconds, and the way "Ice Water" Murray put the last two through with one second remaining?

These are only the highlights that come to one writer's mind in a brief glance over the shoulder. Think what we'll see in 20 years!





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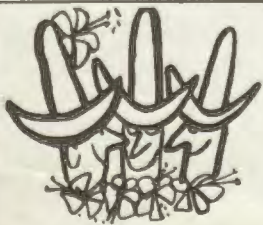
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