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School

reopens on Monday, January 7, 1963.

Happy New Year

from the HI-TIMES staff.

Contributors

to the first page of the HI-TIMES this week are Jacki Gruesbeck, Ellen Hartman, and Rosemary Moon.

Basketball Holiday Tourney

will be held at Washington High School on December 26th and 27th.

Community activities for holidays are listed

During the Christmas vacation, many community activities may provide entertainment, relaxation, and pleasure for students.

First, there is the Holiday Tourney. The games will be held on December 26th and 27th at the Washington High Gymnasium. Check the South Bend TRIBUNE for exact game times.

'Angel' stars at Morris Aud.

The mystery-comedy-thriller, "A Shot in the Dark" starring Annie Farge, the French actress, will be presented on the 4th and 5th of January in the Morris Civic Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. Tickets went on sale December 17.

The play, by Harry Kurnitz, was adapted from Marcel Achard's French play, "L'Idiot." Miss Farge is cast as a parlor maid who is thrown into a series of events involving her in a murder.

Farge is supported by veterans

Miss Farge first became known to American audiences by starring on the TV comedy program, "Angel," in which she played a French girl married to an American. Sup-

porting her in the play will be Broadway veterans Robert Burr, Joel Thomas, and Barbara Stanton; also Paul Ballantyne, Freddi Chandler, Stanley James, and John Eames.

Movies shows during vacation

Also, the Colfax Theatre will have a Christmas vacation running of Jules Verne's adventure tale, "In Search of the Castaways," starring popular Hayley Mills, Maurice Chevalier, and Michael Anderson, Jr. Jerry Lewis' newest release, "It's Only Money," will be shown at the State Theatre.

Howard Park is open

Howard Park Ice Skating Rink will be open from 9 to 11 a.m., 1 to 3 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m.

The stores downtown are open Monday through Saturday until 8:30 p.m. this week, and until 9:30 after Christmas.

Library is open

If you get tired of the hectic party whirl, the libraries offer the chance to spend an intellectual day pursuing knowledge, or just burying yourself in a good fiction book.

The Main Library will be closed the 24th and 25th of December, but will be open from 9:00 to 9:00 on weekdays and 9:00 to 6:00 on Saturdays.

Penn High to host district music contest

The local solo and ensemble contest for South Bend was held at Riley on December 4 and December 5. Musicians from the four city high schools and all those included in the South Bend Community School Corporation entered as did students from numerous city grade schools. The contest included both band and orchestral instruments.

Penn holds district

The district contest including participants from other Northern Indiana cities will be held January 26 at Penn High School in Mishawaka. At this contest, medals will be given for first or second place winners. A gold replica of the state of Indiana is given for a first division and a silver one denotes a second division.

Band enters 57 events

This year there are fifty-seven band entries for the district contest. Of these, twenty-seven are entered in solos and fifty in ensembles. All of these students received either superior (first) or excellent (second) ratings in the local contest. There are nineteen duets, twenty trios, nine quartets, and two sextets entered from Riley in the band division. In this competition, students are grouped according to their ability. Ninth grade students may play in Group IV including junior high students or in Group III, mostly composed of high school sophomores. Students playing in Groups III, II, or I are eligible for the state contest if they receive a first division at the district contest. If a student receives a first at the district contest, he plays in the next highest group the following year. For instance, a soloist in Group III who receives a first at district plays a solo in Group II the next year.

Contestants play in groups

As the group numbers get lower

Snow closes schools after mayor declares a state of emergency

On December 10, 1962, the South Bend Community Schools were closed because of the heavy snowfall which crippled the South Bend area. The schools were closed after South Bend Mayor Frank J. Bruggner declared a state of emergency at 7:25 a.m. At Riley and Adams, early morning classes were already in session. Many pupils were en route to their schools. The announcement came too late to prevent most students from leaving for school. Many complaints have been voiced concerning this tardy decision.

On Tuesday, the eleventh, a majority of the South Bend public schools were reopened for the rest of the week. Centre Township buses were unable to bring students to Riley since the side roads were drifted shut. These buses resumed operation on Thursday, December 13th. At 11:35, after only three class periods, the Centre buses returned to pick up the students. This was necessary because new snowfall and high winds were beginning to make the secondary roads in Centre Township impassable.

Between Monday, December 3, and Thursday, December 6, the temperature plunged from a pleasant, mild sixty degrees to a mark below freezing. Winter came to the area suddenly, over two weeks ahead of its official appearance date, December 21. The sudden storm paralyzed traffic and caused an onslaught of minor traffic accidents.

The total snowfall recorded during this period set a new area record for December.

the competition gets stiffer. Most students in Group I are seniors, but some juniors are included also.

For the district contest, the Riley Band has seven solo entries in Group IV, fifteen in Group III, four in Group II, and one in Group I. The ensembles include five in Group IV, thirty in Group III, fifteen in Group II, and none in Group I.

The state contest will be held February 16 at Butler University in Indianapolis.

No finals to be given for state English test

The Indiana High School Achievement Program contains two competitive examinations in four high school subjects. These tests are in Latin, Spanish, mathematics, and English. The regionals will be held at centers throughout the state on March 30, 1963. The finals will be given on April 27, 1963, at the Bloomington Campus of Indiana University. Students who make high scores in the regionals will be invited to the finals. Top scorers at the finals will receive gold, silver, or bronze medals.

Participants chosen by teachers

Contestants for these tests are chosen by their teachers with the aid of certain eligibility rules which will be announced early next semester. The number of contestants is limited to two in each division for school with an enrollment of less than 500 students. Schools with a larger enrollment are allowed to enter one additional participant for each 1,000 or frac-

tion thereof over the initial 500 students.

However, in the English section, all schools may enter as many as ten students.

Program stimulates learning

A major change in this program designed to stimulate student learning is the English program. The three-hour regional examinations will be a rigorous test over syntax, usage, reading, comprehension, spelling, and vocabulary. A number of essay questions will be included besides the multiple-choice and fill-in-the-blank. These essay questions will require a general knowledge of literature, but they will not be on specific novels, biographies, or plays. If a question deals with a special piece of literature, the passage will be printed on the examination. The English examinations will be graded by a committee of high school teachers and college professors at Indiana University. There will be no final contest in English. This is the first

year for this change. Those students who make high scores in the regionals will be invited to the campus to participate in a special program on Finals Day.

Wrestling Tourney to be held at Riley

The Fifth Annual Holiday Wrestling Tournament will be held at J. W. Riley on December 22, 1962. The tourney will take place from 9:15 to 11:30 and from 1:30 to 5:00. The price of admission is fifty cents for students and a dollar for adults.

Adams, Central, Riley, and Washington will participate. Their coaches are Aronson, Szucs, Garte, and Million, respectively. The officials are Gene Flowers and Robert Jones.

Awards will be presented to the winning team. These awards are in the form of a team trophy and individual ribbons.

The true spirit of Christmas

The guiding star of Bethlehem will forever shower the peoples of the earth with its radiant light. The age of invention, however, has inflected and disguised this light so that we receive only the indirect power of its radiance. Therefore, in order to find the true meaning of Christmas, even the most perceptive people will have to search beyond the artificial excesses of daily life.

The decorations, parties, and music of Christmas are merely outward signs of a profound, inner joy that is so difficult to express. The services we perform for others are a way of satisfying the desire for serenity by giving happiness and comfort to others. Finally, the gifts that we give symbolize our love that flourishes for Christ and for those who are dear to us. If we are able to shed the restraints of social and cultural complexities, we are close to the combination of these three qualities — the true spirit of Christmas. —Carol Stante.

The story of Chanukah

Chanukah, a Jewish holiday which begins on the twenty-fifth day of the Jewish month of Kislev, begins tonight. Chanukah, or the "Feast of Lights," is a time to rejoice and to honor those Jews who fought so valiantly against the Syrians to protect their beliefs. This year Chanukah will last until sundown on the twenty-ninth of December. On Chanukah, we recognize the Macabees who led our people in the restoration of a Jewish Temple which the Syrians had taken over and had demolished, placing idols throughout. While the Jews were fighting the Syrians and trying to clean up their beloved house of worship, they realized that they had but one day's amount of oil. The temple could not be rededicated without its Eternal Light which burns continuously to signify the ever-presence of God. The Jews know that they could not get oil for eight days. But a miracle from God enabled the one flask of oil to burn for the entire eight days. This is the reason Chanukah is celebrated for an eight-day period.

It is said that Chanukah is similar to Christmas in that both are joyous holidays and both occur approximately the same time of the year. However, in true meaning, Christmas and Chanukah cannot be compared. On Christmas, the Gentile people honor the birth of Jesus whereas on Chanukah, the Jewish people honor their entire people for their courage in keeping Judaism alive. —Mike Lerman.

How can we decommercialize Christmas?

By **CONNIE VLAHANTONIS**
Unfortunately, Christmas has become continually less sacred and more commercialized each year. In keeping with the holiday season the HI-TIMES decided to ask Riley students if they had any ideas on how it would be possible to re-

turn to Christmas more of its original meaning. No definite conclusions were actually given, but many students did donate their thoughts on how it might be possible to decommercialize this holiday.

Sophomore **Chris Hoyt** and **Brad Herrmann** believe that emphasizing the birth of Christ would help to remove much of the gaudy advertisement of Christmas and would aid in restoring its symbolism. Brad also comments, "We should show God our gratitude before rushing to the presents."

Follow the religious meaning
Billie Jean Thomas, a senior, is of the opinion that remembering and following the religious meaning of Christmas decommercializes this holiday in one's personal life.

Connie Widener feels that gifts, Santa Claus, and television commercials should be limited.

Freshman **Cheryl Winenger** recapitulates what the others have said in stating simply, "We should worship the Saviour, not the dollar."

Feel nothing can be done
A few students who answered this question feel that nothing can be done to decommercialize Christmas. Among these students is **Mike Wegner**. Mike made the point that the holidays mean gifts and also vacations from work and school that people would not want to relinquish.

Al Viduka, a senior, stated that in order to decommercialize Christmas, "it would be necessary to close all the department stores," which would be highly impossible.

True Christmas Spirit is not found through celebration

By **LEONARD MEANS**

It was an ordinary blue Christmas tree ball, blue with white camels and kings on it. But when I hung it on the tree, it stood out harshly against the green of the branches and made the other ornaments look shimmery and gaudy. I took a yellow bell down and hung the blue ball in its place, but then the ball picked up an eerie reflection from the surrounding lights. I tried hanging the ball several other places, but no matter where I put it the tree looked wrong. Even when I left it off entirely, the tree looked drab and rather wilted.

I was getting pretty disgusted with this one out-of-place ornament and was just thinking up some good words to use on it when the angel appeared. "Look," he said, "the trouble with you is you've got no Christmas spirit. Now go out and get some, will you? You're lowering the average for my whole district." Then he disappeared leaving a puddle of sleet from his wings on the living room floor.

I tried, I'd always thought I had as much Christmas spirit as the next man, but I tried anyway. In spite of the slush in the living room and in spite of that blasted Christmas tree ball, I really tried. I went outside and watched the snow falling past the street light on the corner. It was really very pretty except I nearly froze. I went down town and watched everybody bustling about doing their last minute shopping, and that cheered me up until I found out that someone had lifted my wallet. I went to a Christmas dance, but I was in such a bad



ON THE AVENUE

Hello, fellow snow, cold, and ice haters:

This column is dedicated to Mr. **Richard Morrison**, the poor man who never gets his name in the paper.

O. T. A.

A new sewing club has been organized. The officers are President **Andy Nemeth** and Vice-President **Jack Monsma**. Other members are **Jim Mumford**, **Terry Moore**, **Rick Peli**, **Dave Murray**, **Mike Hauser**, and **Leon Hartter**.

mood I turned out to be a real wet blanket.

The angel came back. "Listen," he said, "we've got a Christmas rush up there too, and things are literally busier than 'H' up in Heaven. So I can't spend too much time on you. But will you please try to perk up?" Then he was gone again.

I thought about it all that day and the next, but it wasn't until Christmas eve that I came up with a solution. I decided I'd been concentrating too much on Christmas celebration. So I took my Christmas tree out and set it, fully decorated, in the middle of an empty lot. It looked great! Then I took all of my Christmas gifts and left them on the steps of the Jewish synagogue. I knew I'd found the answer when a little girl making a snow lady waved at me, and I smiled and waved back. Then I went home, had a cup of hot chocolate and went to sleep. It was the best Christmas of my entire life.

So far Jack has learned to throw the machine into "reverse" but poor Andy hasn't found "neutral" yet. We also understand Jack is making his Mom a handkerchief for Christmas.

O. T. A.

Bob Sherwood, **Kris Capes**, and **Larry Lant** all wore look-alike shirts last week. Going steady, boys?

O. T. A.

Should our school have a mascot? "Definitely," says Mr. **C. T. Goodman**, "a live wildcat!" **Randy Harvey** has offered to take care of such an animal. Good luck!

O. T. A.

Gee whiz, Mr. Smith, flipping coins on school time?

O. T. A.

Just before **Tom Faludi** set a new breaststroke record, **Doug Brown** told him to "pretend like you're in Latin class." That's one Latin class I'd like to see!

O. T. A.

Well, see ya next year and be sure to be good so that Santa Claus will be good to you.

—Greg and Richard.

Late shoppers find ideas for last minute presents

In this issue of the paper we have been stressing the importance of decommercialization of Christmas. Although this article may at first appear ironic, we must remember that gifts given in the right spirit are, however, part of the holiday. In choosing gifts, choose with your heart. Here are just a few suggestions for that very special gift you have been searching for:

Stuffed animals are lovable

"A stuffed puppy is a girl's best friend!" If you're still looking for a gift for a teenage girl don't overlook the stuffed animals. All girls adore them and there is no size or color to worry about.

If this doesn't suit you there are multitudes of other appropriate gifts for high school girls.

Records are popular

High on the list are records. They are, of course, not limited to girls, but are enjoyed by everyone. Twist records and the receiver's favorite singer's albums are popular but in contrast so are such long-playing albums as **West Side Story**, **Camelot**, and **The Sound of Music**. Collections of past popular songs, Oldies but Goodies, will always be appreciated. The most popular of all this year are the comedy records, especially a take-off on the Kennedy family, **The First Family**.

Guys' gifts are a problem

Gifts for guys often prove to be a big problem. The records just described are the answer for many people with this problem. There are other answers, however.

If you're an average human being you don't want to give a tie or cuff links (everyone does that). Both wallets and key cases are easy to buy and have a large price range. They can, of course, be made more personal with engraved letters. If you had in mind a more personal present, a picture of yourself in good taste. A professional picture, toned or colored, with a frame, makes this idea well received.

Hi-Y leads Mike Bayman's list of senior activities

By **DOUG BROWN**

"As president of the Riley High School Hi-Y and the St. Joseph County Hi-Y council, I have had the opportunity to serve others, the privilege of working with many distinguished leaders, and have been able to develop leadership in the club."

Mike Bayman takes pride in the work of the Hi-Y. Included in its many helpful activities are Thanksgiving and Christmas food collections for needy people, spon-

HOOSIER POET. Mike stated the following: "As editor I am working with the staff to give the students of Riley a book they will enjoy for many years."

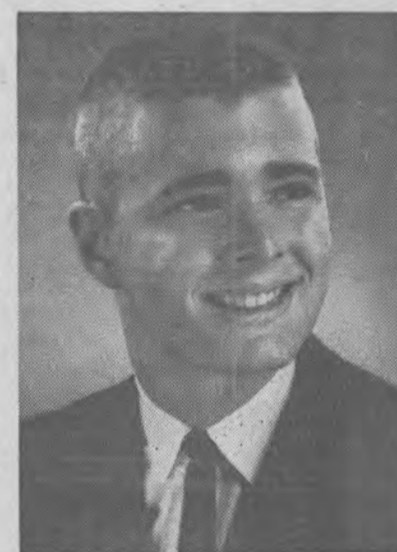
Mike is taking Physics I, Health, English VII, Trigonometry, and Government. His favorite and most beneficial subjects are Physics and Trigonometry. These, he feels, will be of the greatest importance to him in his future career. Mike has been accepted at Purdue where he plans to study engineering. He hopes to become either a chemical, electrical, or metallurgical engineer.

Attends institute

Mike's most memorable event while in high school occurred this past summer when he attended the Honors Institute in chemistry sponsored by the University of Michigan and the National Science Foundation. While at the university, Mike studied advanced chemistry along with other outstanding chemistry students. "It was a very rewarding experience and I was honored to be selected to represent Riley in such a program." He urges any student that is interested in this area of science to apply for this program because the benefits are "both immediate and far reaching."

Limit activities

"I have noticed that most of the seniors featured in this column have given advice, the nature of which was to be in a lot of activities. My advice is a little different. I advise underclassmen to first realize their limitations and then join activities accordingly. Once you choose your activities, really be a part of them. Also, put your studies first; you'll regret it if you don't."



soring of the Easter assemblies, and participating in co-operative club activities within the county, through the Council. This year, the boys are also undertaking a service project at the Logan Home.

Is Hoosier Poet editor

Besides his work in the Hi-Y, Mike is a member of his church youth group and is a three-year veteran of the track and cross-country teams. He is also editor of this year's HOOSIER POET. Referring to his position on the

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Original tradition of Santa spread throughout the world

Lillian Eichler in her book *Customs of Mankind* has a very interesting section about the history and development of the Santa Claus tradition. From this section we have chosen the following passages:

Jolly old Santa Clause with his tinkling sleigh bells and pack of toys is very closely associated with the American Christmas. Children hang up their stockings in high glee, fully believing that Santa will come down the chimney and fill them with good things, until,

The Loom of Christmas

Once again we are weaving the tapestry that is Christmas in a Christian world.

It is being woven upon a loom of religious beliefs centuries old and upon hopes symbolized in the birth of a Babe.

Into this fabric of Good Will, the weavers are working mellow threads for family custom, sprightly colors for children's delight, the blue of the Christmas star, the magic of winter's snow, the tinkle of bells, the joyous voices of carolers.

May the peace and joy of this glorious season bring cheer and comfort to you and yours.

—Polly McKinstry.

of course, they are old enough to separate fact from fancy, or until some cruel person shatters the beautiful belief.

Santa came from Holland

Santa came to America by way of Holland. The old Dutch settlers of New York brought with them all the joyous and hospitable observances of their fatherland. They introduced to their neighbors in the New World St. Nicholas, or San Nicolaas, patron saint of children. And San Nicolaas promptly grew a long white beard, belted his jovial stoutness in a red coat, and made his bow to America as Santa Claus.

England, too, has its Santa Claus! According to the popular myth, both here and in England, Santa Claus is supposed to sweep down from the north in a sleigh drawn by reindeer, come down the chimney, and fill the stockings hanging before the fireplace with gifts.

St. Nicholas became child's saint

St. Nicholas became everywhere the child's saint, though his personality underwent some striking changes as he travelled from country to country. In Holland he remained St. Nicholas, but his personality was modified by memories of Woden, god of the elements and the harvest. He became the patron saint of the children of France, although it is Bonhomme Noel who brings the good things for the children. In Germany the Christkindlein is the patron saint of the children. From this German phrase for Christ Child comes our synonym for Santa Claus — Kriss Kringle.

Santa hides toys in Norway

Among the Norwegians the toys are hidden in unexpected places and the children search for them. In Italy the gifts are drawn from what is known as "The Urn of Fate." This custom originated with the ancient Romans who had also an "Urn of Fate" from which gifts were drawn. In Spain there are elaborate street festivals at which the children receive gifts.

Members of National Honor Society prepare for winter induction of seniors

By SUE LATTIMER

Thursday, January 10, is the day for the National Honor Society's annual winter induction of seniors. Candidates, to be eligible for membership, must have at least a "B" average and must not have any "L's." Candidates are considered for membership on the basis of service, leadership, and character. The votes of the faculty members limit the number of those inducted to a certain percentage of the class.

The present officers are President, Steve Lester; Vice-President, Ray Wiegand; Secretary, Tom Dixon; Treasurer, Tom Holmes.

Members help with assembly

After Steve Lester welcomes the parents and the students to the assembly, Tom Dixon will lead them in the pledge of allegiance. The prayer will be given by Mary Hamilton, the history by Mary Rudolph, and an explanation of

the society's emblem by Dave Murray. Jane Hoffer will speak on leadership, Roberta Shapiro on scholarship, Dave Kottowski on service, and Tom Holmes on character. Nancy Zeiger will light the candles, Ray Wiegand will distribute the insignia and the membership cards, and Barbara Van Vlasselaer will sign in the new members. Mr. Crouse will read the names of the candidates who will proceed to the center aisle to be escorted to the stage by a member of the society. The escorts will be Bob Million, Tom Dixon, Gordon Rogalski, Sandy Dickey, Sue Lattimer, and Marsha Perkins. Nancy Zeiger and Jane Hoffer are in charge of a breakfast that will be served after the assembly in the cafeteria for the new members and their parents. Marsha Perkins will take care of the flowers, and Mary Rudolph will greet the parents when they arrive for the assembly.

A Snowman's Resolution

The snowman's hat was crooked And his nose was out of place, And several of his whiskers Had fallen from his face.

But the snowman didn't notice, For he was trying to think Of a New Year's resolution That wouldn't melt or shrink.

He thought and planned and pondered With his little snowball head, Till his eyes began to glisten And his toes began to spread.

And at last he said, "I've got it— I'll make a firm resolve That no matter what the weather My smile will not dissolve."

But the snowman acted wisely, And his resolution won— For his splinter smile was wooden And it didn't mind the sun!

—Aileen Fisher.

find a little time to spend with his children and to give house parties. Mr. Clayton, Mr. Kelly, and Mr. Goodman all intend to spend a leisurely vacation at home.



Teachers make plans for holiday vacation

By MARILYN FERWERDA

While most of us will be spending our vacation looking at the great accumulation of snow, a few members of the teaching staff will be learning of the South Bend weather only in the newspaper. Miss Frueh is driving to Fort Meyers Beach where she will enjoy the warmth of Florida and go deep sea fishing. Miss Kiel is another Florida fan: she became tired of the snow and decided to drive to Florida to meet a few friends in Sarasota. Mr. Meyer is taking quite a trip by leaving the country completely: he is going to Guatemala City, Guatemala, to visit his sister. He and his family will leave on the 23rd of this month and fly from Chicago to New Orleans. From New Orleans they will make the flight to Guatemala. Mr. Bilby, going not quite so far, is taking a trip to Cincinnati.

Mr. Scheider has made plans to have a very enjoyable vacation—he is getting married. The lucky

girl is Anna Carter. They plan on going north to a ski lodge on their honeymoon.

Some teachers won't be going anywhere over the holidays, but company will keep them busy, nevertheless. Mrs. Bohan is expecting her son Tom, a graduate student in physics at the University of Illinois. Also visiting Mrs. Bohan will be her other son, Richard, who is studying government in the graduate school of Indiana University. Miss Brokaw is also staying at home, but her house will be Christmas headquarters for her relatives and friends.

Most teachers will stay home

Most of the other teachers will brave the elements and enjoy the holidays at home. Mr. Kodba claims that he will probably spend most of his time shovelling snow. He hopes, however, that he will

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By TOM HOLMES
Hi-Times Sports Editor

It seems that the old premise "practice makes perfect" might shed some light on the Athletic Program at Riley. We don't mean that our teams don't practice sufficiently long, but it is possible that their practices are not adequate.

Riley puts out darn good teams when you consider the adverse conditions under which they practice. Our "cracker box" makes it difficult for three basketball teams to practice and all three teams do amazing well. By the same token, the YMCA is far from the Olympic pool our State Champs deserve. And the wrestlers are stuck in the back gym and forced to run in the halls while the GAA plays.

Now, in math class, a student becomes more able and adept at handling problems by first learning the fundamentals.

Why can not an analogy be drawn between the math student and the athletic teams. The math student will not get any better by continuing to do simple problems that he always gets right (wins).

Unfortunately, coaches and athletic directors are subject to extreme pressure by fans, alumni, faculty, and students to win games and not merely play a good brand of ball.

Why, then, don't our athletic teams follow a similar pattern. Instead of playing to win against county schools (who seem, all too often, to upset us), why don't we play East Chicago Washington and Indianapolis Crispus Attucks, two of the recognized top teams in the state. The same applies to swimming and Evanston, New Trier, and Hinsdale. Sure, we might lose some of these contests, but how can we meet their standards of proficiency by playing inferior competition? What really counts, the win or the experience? We would contend the experience. For Riley to be recognized as one of the top teams in the state, we need to compete on a par with the already recognized teams and show that we can beat the best.

Netters & tankers fall to weekend foes

Bears splash to victory at cost of Riley

By DOUG BROWN

Riley's Wildcats lost their second dual meet of the year to an extremely tough Central swim team last Friday in the Washington pool. It was the first loss this year for Coach Richard Scheiders tankers in ENHSC competition.

Riley was never in front during the meet as Central won a judges decision over the medley relay team of Gordon Medlock, Rick Saylor, Tom Faludi, and Van Sandstrom in the meet's opening event.

Despite the lopsided score of 65-30, the meet had quite a few exciting races. Central won both relays by less than half a second and capped five of the individual events.

After Central took the opening relay they proceeded to take the first two individual events. Mike Soloke placed second in the 200-yd. freestyle for Riley as did Mike Lester in the 50-yd. freestyle. Van Sandstrom did not swim his specialty 50-yd. freestyle as he swam in both relays.

Riley's first individual winner of the night was four time double winner Jack Marsh in the individual medley. Marsh streaked to the finish leaving his opponents 25 yards behind.

Central took three more events before Riley won the last three individual events. Juniors Mike Soloke, Gordon Medlock, and Tom Faludi won their individual specialties by taking the 400-yd. freestyle, 100-yd. backstroke, and the 100-yd. breaststroke respectively.

Central Summary

200-yd. medley relay—Central, winning time: 1:51.5.
200-yd. freestyle—2, Soloke (R), winning time: 2:02.1.
50-yd. freestyle—2, Lester (R), winning time: 24.3.
200-yd. individual medley—1, Marsh (R), time: 2:19.9.
Diving—3, Laughlin (R), winning total: 160.7.
100-yd. butterfly—3, Saylor (R), winning time: 1:00.7.
100-yd. freestyle—3, White (R), winning time: 55.0.
100-yd. backstroke—1, Medlock (R), time: 1:04.2.
400-yd. freestyle—1, Soloke (R), 3, Dixon (R), time: 4:41.0.
100-yd. breaststroke—1, Faludi (R), time: 1:10.0.
200-yd. freestyle relay—Central, time: 1:37.1.

Grapplers remain undefeated with win over Culver; meet city schools in tourney

By EARL BAXTER

The Wildcats wrestling squad, under Coach Wally Gartee, defeated previously undefeated Culver Military Academy last Friday evening in the Riley gymnasium. The final score was 24-20 in Riley's favor.

Lead lower weights

The Wildcats built up a good lead in the lower weight divisions. Culver came back strong but not strong enough in the higher weight classes. Fred Rosenfeld and Tom Calloway pinned their opponents, while Larry Katz, Dave Murray, Tim MacDonald, and Pete Sanders gained decisions over their opponents.

Frosh establish pattern

By TOM LETT

The frosh, having an up and down season, split their last two games for the third time this year. It seems that a cycle is rotating on their record. The frosh lost to Clay, won over Goshen, lost to St. Joe, trounced Elkhart, and now have lost to Washington, and then slaughtered Adams.

The frosh lost another heart-breaker at Washington on December 5. However, they put on perhaps their best losing effort of the year. The final score was 29 to 27, Washington. Mike Wegner and Terry Wroblewski were high scor-

ers with seven points apiece. Their loss dropped their season record to three wins and four losses.

The frosh faced a tall but clumsy Adams team in the Riley gym on December 13. The frosh out played, out scored, and out witted the confused Adams team. The final score was 51-29. Jewell Davis led the scoring drive with 14 points.

B-team

By MIKE BOTICH

The Riley B-team lost their first game, two weeks ago today. The victor this time was the Mishawaka Cavemen by a score of 56 to 43. Riley also dropped their next game to Washington by a score of 46 to 36.

Time Nevelle was the high point man for Riley in the Riley-Mishawaka game. Nevelle had a total of 10 points.

Denny Riddle got nine points to lead Riley in points in the Washington game.

Varsity falls to 3-5 record

By MIKE LERMAN

The Riley Wildcats continued their erratic basketball ways last weekend, as they were dumped by Washington and Gary Roosevelt by scores of 61-56 and 69-58 respectively.

In the Washington contest, it was a nip and tuck battle for the most part. Both teams saw their leads diminish to nothing in a short time as the Panthers squandered a 37-31 deficit and also Riley fighting back from 35-29 at halftime to take a five-point advantage in the third quarter.

Again the biggest thorn in the Wildcat's side turned out to be a little man. This time it was Recie Bethel. The 5 foot 10 inch senior

guard was not only responsible for being the Panther's high point man with 22 points, but he also led the spirited Washington comeback in the fourth quarter. It wasn't until the Panthers were down 50-47 that Bethel began putting his performance. His timely assists, ball handling, and shooting accounted for 14 of Washington's last 16 points. Bethel was especially tough at the free-throw line as he connected for 16 situations. Ben Lindsey displayed a tremendous team and defensive effort as well as coping high point honors for the game, netting 23 points. Ted Northern and Dale Wland scored 17 and 10 points respectively for the Cats.

Gary Roosevelt proved to be just too much for Riley as they jumped to a 30-13 lead early in the second quarter and clung easily to this lead for the remainder of the game. Joe Kramer took high-point honors for the game, drilling in 20 points.

The weekends double loss drops Riley's seasonable record to 3-5.

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