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Dailey Presents Honors For Scholastic Distinction

On April 7, Jacob Dailey, supervising principal, presented distinguished scholastic honor awards to 19 students during a special assembly.

FIRST SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

For the first time in the history of Pottsgrove, awards were given for distinguished scholastic ability. Miss Jessie Rosenberry, high school principal, presented the "distinguished honors" award pins to Mr. Dailey, who then presented them to the following recipients: Barbara Brumbaugh, Chrysee Kline, Sharon Hasselhan, Joanne Bauer, Joel Lenko, John Minnick, Carol Norton, David Spatz, Marie Zeiders, Betty Price, Karen Remp, Patricia Buchert, Susan Rosen, Kathy Colihan, Fred Jacob, Donna Strunk, Marcia Swartz, Peter Fredrickson, and Marilyn Shaner.

In order for a student to receive distinguished honors, he must have earned all A's in his major subjects.

Awards Distributed Quarterly

Pins will be presented quarterly to those students receiving distinguished honors, but not earning them previously. One pin may be awarded to a student while in junior high school, and another may be presented to him upon receiving distinguished honors on the senior high level.

Miss Rosenberry Receives Award

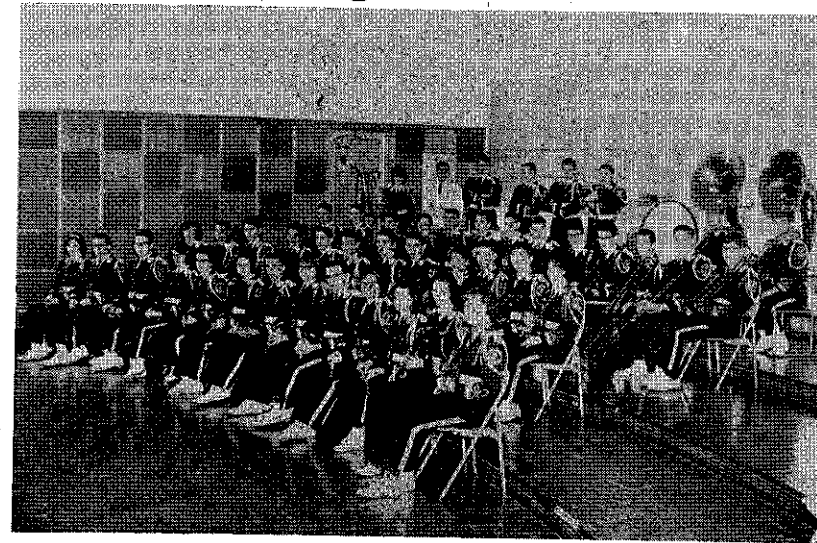
New York's Sites Will Be Visited By Class of '64

The New York World's Fair is an added attraction to the senior's class trip this year. They will leave at 5:30 a.m. on May 4 from the Pottstown Reading Station.

A full day of sightseeing and fun is scheduled for the first day. When the group arrives in New York at 9:30 a.m., they will be given a guided tour of the United Nations. Taking up the afternoon will be the jaunt at the World's Fair. Finally at 5:30 p.m. the class will arrive at the Taft Hotel and will have dinner and dancing at the Taft Grill. At 8:00 p.m. the group picture will be taken on the Observation Roof of the Rockefeller Building and then the seniors will have a tour of

Musical Groups Will Present Varied Programs at Concerts

Senior High Concert Band



The senior band poses in uniform before their Spring Concert on May 25. There are 45 members of the band this year.

Shaner, Levensgood, Overholtzer Have Solos To Perform

Three of Pottsgrove's music organizations will give their programs during the months of April and May.

The senior band, under the direction of Thomas G. Roberts, Jr., will display their talent when they present their annual concert on Saturday, April 25. Also displaying their talents will be the majorettes and the color guard.

Among the selections will be "An American in Paris" by Gershwin, "Theme from Lawrence of Arabia" by Jarre, and "Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna" by Von Suppe. Among the favored solos will be the "Worried Drummer," featuring Harry Overholtzer on the drums and "Concertino" which includes a flute solo by Marilyn Shaner.

Playing along are the Pottsgrove members of the District Band, Marilyn Shaner, James Powell, David Swenk, Robert Meko, Nancy Bechtel, and William Sands.

Five Pupils To Participate In Business Skills Contest

A team selected by the business department will participate in a contest conducted at Bloomsburg State College on May 2. Pottsgrove is one of sixty schools chosen to participate for the fourth year. The first year a team from our school took part in this contest, they placed thirteenth, the second year eighth, and the third year fourth. The question is when

president of the Pennsylvania Future Homemakers of America, presented Miss Rosenberry with a special award. Pottsgrove received recognition for "proficiency in program planning." The award was given by the Red Rose Chapter of the F. H. A.

Pottsgrove girls also received recognition for their ability demonstrated during the Central Montgomery County swim meet.

Kousoulides, Smith To Edit 1965 Pottsgrove Yearbook

Cynthia Kousoulides was chosen as editor of *The Pottsgrovian*, Pottsgrove's yearbook, for the 1964-65 school season, according to an announcement made by Mrs. Dorothy Horn, advisor. Assisting Cynthia with her duties will be Carol Smith, associate editor.

Fred Reed will execute the duties of junior associate editor, while



Cynthia Kousoulides sitting, and Carol Smith are the editors of next year's *Pottsgrovian*.

At 8:00 a.m. the next morning the group will take a tour of the residential section of up-town New York. Next a tour of the N.B.C. Studios will be taken. Following this the seniors will enter Radio City Music Hall for a three-hour stage and screen show.

The remainder of the day is spent as free time until 7:00 p.m. when they will return home.

Sheryl Pomerantz will have complete charge of senior class editing.

Donahue Business Editor

Kathy Donahue will act as business editor for the coming school year, while Dorothy Dry was selected for faculty editor. Assisting Dorothy will be Carolyn Stauffer. Serving as class editor will be Linda La Pish with Connie Curry as her assistant, while art editor will be Judy Feight. Aiding Judy will be Kathy Kohsiek. Peggy Dotterer and Barbara Biezup will act as co-editors in the activities department. Assisting them will be Debbie Stahl.

Smith, Strom Sports Editors

Stephanie Smith and Leonard Strom will serve in the capacity of girls and boys sports editors respectively. Kathy Kolihan will assist Stephanie. Joyce Rosen will give her services as copy editor with Cindy Klaus acting as her assistant. Sue Hauseman and Sue Dailey will perform the duties of sales promotion managers. Sherry Hess will be in charge of pictures and appointments.

Norton, taking the secretarial test, Donna Strunk, taking the typing test, Nancy Schaeffer, taking the business math test, and Martena Grove, taking the business law test.

Carol Norton

Carol Norton, a senior in the business education course, is one of the top five business students in the area. This was determined by a battery of tests given by the National Office Management Association to participants from nineteen schools. An interview was conducted by a panel of businessmen in Reading by which, combined with their test scores, they will decide who the top business students in the area are. Their choice will be announced on April 21 at a dinner given by the foundation.

Eighth Grade Girl Represents P.H.S. In Annual Contest

The Times Herald Sixteenth Annual Spelling Bee will be held in the Norristown High School Auditorium on April 24th, 1964.

Pottsgrove is being represented by Jacqueline Schaeffer, an eighth grader, and her alternate, Patricia Alting, at the county spelling bee.

These two girls were chosen through competition with their own homerooms and a final contest of all homeroom winners held in the auditorium.

If she wins in Norristown, Jacqueline will receive a latest printing of the twenty-four volume Encyclopedia Britannica and an all expenses paid trip with a chaperone to Washington D. C. for the National Spelling Bee.

Alting Places Second

Patricia Alting will accompany Jacqueline to Norristown and if Jacqueline is prevented from entering the spelling bee, Patricia will replace her.

Two New Teachers Join P.H.S. Staff

The newest addition to the English department is Mrs. Sherrill Hughes, who received her Bachelor of Science degree from Kutztown State College with majors in English and social studies. She received her Master of Education degree from Penn State with a major in English.

This new teacher lives on Spruce Street in Pottstown. Mrs. Hughes must enjoy teaching because she is a veteran teacher of six years.

In her leisure time Mrs. Hughes enjoys reading, swimming, and golfing.

Thomas Brown

Filling the position left by Mr. Weiss is Thomas Brown, the new biology teacher. Mr. Brown hails from Pittsburgh and is graduate of California State College with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Mr. Brown is just beginning his teaching career, and finds it difficult to pick up in the middle of the year.

Mr. Brown enjoys teaching at Pottsgrove and plans to continue here next year.

Two Girls Attend F.T.A. Convention

Marilyn Heil and Vicki Van Horn attended the F. T. A. state convention in Harrisburg with their advisor, Mr. Greulich. The first business meeting was followed by a "coke break" and regional meetings. The day's activities concluded with a banquet and a hootenanny. The next morning the delegates voted for state officers and passed several resolutions, including one concerning the high drop-out rate.

Choral director for this program will be John Minnick.

Choral Concert on May 9

The chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Y. Bixler, will present a varied program of sacred, secular, and popular music.

The boys will sing "Riders in the Sky" and the girls will sing "Imagination." Highlighting this program will be a medley of songs by Jerome Kern.

The junior chorus will also participate in the concert. "Autumn Leaves," a solo to be sung by Monna Levengood, and "Val-de-ri" by the boys are featured. "Hear My Prayer" and "Dedication" will also be presented.

Piano solos will be done by Linda Nettles of the senior high and Patty Sands of the junior high.

FHA Will Install Officers For '65

This month, the Future Homemakers of America Club has been very busy preparing for their annual Mother and Daughter Tea to be held in May. The mothers of the FHA members will witness the installation of officers for next year, while their daughters host the "tea".

Charlene Moses was selected as a candidate for the state office of fourth vice president, while Nancy Sovizal was chosen to represent their chapter at Pennsylvania State College for the state FHA Chorus.

This active club is also organizing a scrapbook containing their projects for the year. Barbara McKissic is in charge of this project, and when completed it will be sent to Miss Grace Reimard, the chapter advisor.

Last month the girls packed Easter baskets for needy children for Family Service, and they also gave presents to the children at the Memorial Hospital on St. Patrick's Day.

Plan Your Summer Time

by Kay Van Buskirk

With spring vacation less than two months away, now is the time to start planning how to spend your leisure time. The summer offers such wonderful opportunities. Don't let them go to waste.

Many worthwhile jobs may be obtained by students. If you love to work with children, then camp counseling or playground instruction is for you. Candy stripping is a pleasant pastime for girls interested in medicine. The pay may be low but think of the knowledge and experience you'll be gaining.

Did you ever think about going to school during the summer? Many students do and enjoy it. Colleges and high schools offer special advanced courses for students who excel in languages or math. This could be for you.

And for those students 18 or older, jobs may be applied for at the World's Fair. You'll be getting paid for a summer you'll remember the rest of your life.

Whatever type of work you do, whether earning money or studying, put your heart and soul into it and just remember that summers go by much too quickly to be wasted.

Students Acquire Odd Nicknames

Through the year many of the students here at Pottsgrove have acquired nicknames. This article was written in the form of a quiz. See if you can match the proper names with the nicknames.

Seventh Grade

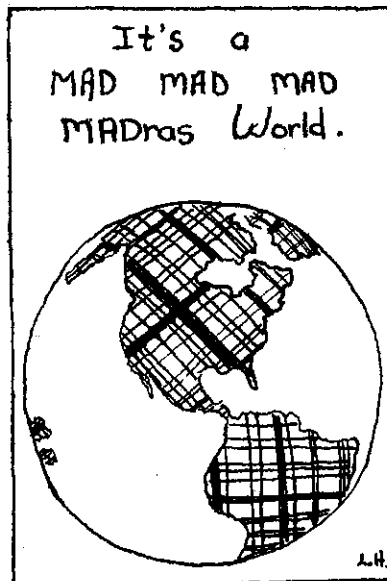
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| 1. Donna Testa | A. Blinky |
| 2. Barbara Bielecki | B. Kissy |
| 3. David McKissie | C. Peanuts |
| 4. Charles Albitz | D. Bubbles |
| 5. P. Henderson | E. Testine |
| 6. Janet Petrillo | F. Charlie Tuna |

Eighth Grade

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| 1. Paul Favinger | A. Mert |
| 2. Marie Zieders | B. Freckles |
| 3. Donald Rhoads | C. Willie |
| 4. Jim McClurken | D. Little Lou |
| 5. Joan Miller | E. Pee Wee |
| 6. Darlene Lupold | F. Skeeter |

Ninth Grade

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|--------------------|-------------|
| 1. Sue Rosen | A. Dingy |
| 2. Kathy Novak | B. Squirrel |
| 3. Charlene Mullen | C. Duke |



Spring Influences Prom Atmosphere

In spring everyone is inspired by romance and fun. All girls wait and hope anxiously for a bid to the

The Smartest Set Meets Springtime Casually Dressed

The beginning of the spring season opens new doors of fashion for the stylish-minded teens.

The ever popular madras is bigger than ever this year. This multi-colored material will be seen adorning many skirts, blouses, and dresses on the Pottsgrove "frauleins." Shifts are ever so much in style, matched with the graceful slinged-back stacked heels and flats.

On the beach, one will find the misses chic and demure in the two piece bathing suits, or their surfers.

Teasing and high hairdos are out while the sleek, casual swing is in.

Boys Become Fashion Minded

When talking about what is in or out for school kids, boys certainly cannot be forgotten. Along with the girls, boys find madras a suitable partner for their slim, tapered pants. Cuffs, by the way, are coming back, along with the slightly wider ties. White socks and extra pointy shoes are out!! Trend turns to black socks and loafers. Everyone's going conservative.

For casual wear, the guys find whalers and levis the thing—and

The Beatles Are In ! ! ! !

Classroom Capers

SHARON BASCO thought she had the perfect April Fool joke to play on Miss Wesner. She carefully set an alarm clock for half way through the class period and

The Satisfaction in Books

by Shirley Bell

(This paper was written in response to an English Class assignment.)

My greatest intellectual satisfaction came when I realized that I actually got something out of books besides just entertainment.

At that moment I realized that there was more to a book than just romance, murder, and comedy. I realized that I could answer questions in school because of some fact I had read in a book. In a book such as *Hawaii* by James A. Michener, I learned many facts of history which became useful to me in my history classes. Also, I learned to use words which I had never heard before.

I learned to look into the book and get a deeper meaning from it. Now when I read a book, I not only find many useful facts and words, I also can find a meaningful plot behind the story itself.

Having found the full and true meaning of books, I read them constantly and enjoy them more each time I read new ones.

Scouting The School

Departing Harris Recalls Happy Years As Coach

In the last four years, the name Gene Harris has become synonymous with exciting, successful, and high caliber basketball in the minds of Pottsgrove students and supporters. It was no wonder, then, that most of them were dismayed when "Harris to leave Pottsgrove" confronted them in Pottstown Mercury headlines about three weeks back.

William Tennant High—a 13 year old school in the Lower-Buxmont league and numbering nearly 2,700—will be Harris's new home. He will assume the duties of full time guidance counselor and assist in football as well as becoming head basketball coach. "They have never had a successful season," explains Harris. "In fact, I think they were in the cellar the last two years."

Fate in Ches-Mont

One question put to Harris was, "How well can the Falcons expect to do in Ches-Mont competition?"

"We may have trouble winning

Educators Discuss Dropout Problems

Today's educational spheres are becoming increasingly concerned with the problem of dropouts. The growing number of young people without high school diplomas is bringing worried puckers to scholarly brows all over the country. Pottsgrove's concern was manifested in a homeroom program held several weeks ago during which students learned the prospects of a dropout's future and discussed why the problem exists. Teachers clar-

5. Randy Wanger E. Toot
6. Jimmy Wilson F. Mold

Tenth Grade

1. D. Davidheiser A. Amazon
2. Shawn Stein B. Bug
3. Richard Ecker C. Beatles
4. Fred Stein D. Green Giant
5. Ginny Tatman E. Ringo
6. Bob Myers F. Oogie

Eleventh Grade

1. John Psota A. Muskrat
2. Gerald McGee B. Ox
3. Jack Hipple C. Chatty Cathy
4. Betsy Alting D. Cow
5. Gail Clemmens E. Zip
6. Kathy Donahue F. Frenchy

Twelfth Grade

1. Mike Novak A. Cougar
2. Jim Hanley B. Bolt
3. H. Kappenstine C. Fang
4. Sandy Moses D. Reds
5. Evelyn Ochar E. Sam
6. Sue Drumheller F. Fraulein

the prom.

Most schools have a special date set aside on the calendar for this gala occasion. Committees are formed; the theme is decided; Decorations are planned for the scenery. The theme and setting usually depict a romantic and enticing scene.

The couples who attend the prom are exalted by the "feeling of spring in the air." They allow themselves to be carried off by the atmosphere and scenery for this one special night.

The Junior class has chosen "La Soir a Paris" as the theme for this year's prom. The decoration committee is under the direction of Robert Basco and Jeannette Madaras.

Jim Colosanti's Bel Aires are providing the music for dancing.

basket. The entire class waited for the alarm to go off, and they are still waiting!!!

Tomato soup lovers would unite in joint protest if they could see ANN BARTHOLOMEW'S mold-infested tomato soup science project. Maybe the tomato soup lovers could teach Ann how to cook.

When Mr. Harris questioned a class about what language the Japanese spoke, BOB RICHARDS answered with a very QUESTIONABLE "Chinese"???

The Stauffer twins, CAROLYN and MARILYN, have become double trouble for Mrs. Davidheiser. These girls have caused so many riots that Mrs. Davidheiser has had to seat them as far as possible from the rest of the class—and from each other.

Although Mrs. Horn does not teach a Romance language, there is plenty of romance going on in her Latin class. There are also many Latin students SADLY regretting that their Caesar days are almost over.

MR. RUTTER was nearly interrupted when the film "How Airplanes Fly" flew off the spool while being re-wound.

Mr. Boehmer has been holding a contest for the ugliest and most unusual neckties. All the ties entered in the contest are on display on the bulletin board in Room 100. CHERYL SMITH'S tie has been proclaimed the official winner.

Mr. Rheel and Mr. Harclerode are expecting an addition to THEIR family, and they hope it will weigh at least seventy-five pounds. It seems they are the proud owners of an equine named "Gladys" who should foal this summer.

BONNIE RITTER told Mr. Murgia that the Untouchables were the BAD guys who couldn't be caught by the cops!

Why can't Grezelda attend meetings?

around," he decided. "I think we can play .500 ball. Some of the teams are very strong, while others relatively weak."

Gene Harris won't be around to lead his Falcons into the Ches-Mont League, but with him he will take many fond memories of his years at the coaching helm.

Probably his biggest victory was the first. The coach remembered, "We lost our first four or five games in 1960, and then finally beat Twin Valley by a point. The team found itself then and finished third in the league."

Other years brought other games to mind. Harris pointed out coping eleven straight games and the Inter-County League titles in 1960, finishing second with a completely new team in 1961, and the present unit's winning the Christmas tournament and compiling their great won-lost record.

out as compared to a high school graduate as well as stressing the purely intellectual and cultural advantages.

FTA Passes Resolution

At the recent state convention of the Future Teachers of America a resolution was passed by the assembly to combat this situation wherever it arises. The delegates met in small workshops and voiced their opinions concerning many issues, including dropouts. Many students honestly were unable to decide whether the dropout is a bewildered, misunderstood person harrassed by cruel teachers or a belligerent, hostile hood who steals hubcaps as a matter of course. Whatever his character, he is now finding many people interested in his decision to leave school. At every turn he will find teachers and friends who will try to dissuade him from a hasty move.

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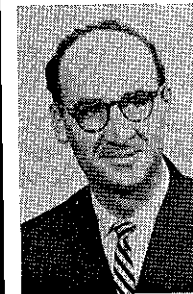
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JULIUS J. RAYMOND
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1954 - 1964

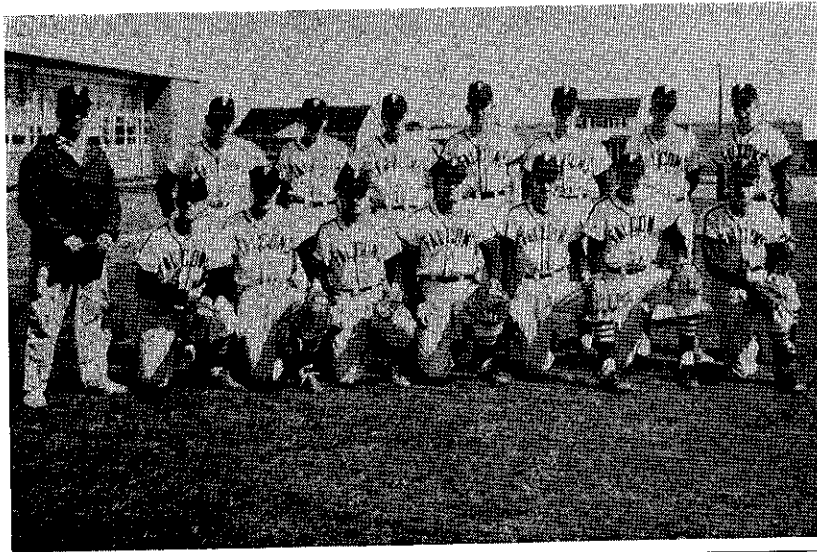
"I know that you, as well as we, were stunned Saturday morning by the sudden and most untimely passing of Mr. Raymond. Your loss in training in citizenship, character, discipline, and finally in the subject of English cannot be estimated.

"Our loss, that of a loyal friend and associate, a dedicated teacher who never set standards higher for anyone than for himself, likewise is inestimable.

"The best way for us to show our respect and to pay homage to Mr. Raymond is to carry out his teachings and to make the fine things for which he stood a part of our lives."

Address by Jessie H. Rosenberry
to the students of Pottsgrove High School
Monday, March 16, 1964

Senior High Baseball Team



Falcon's Baseball Season Disrupted by Spring Rain

Pottsgrove High School's baseball team has been having their troubles—not just in winning a game but also in trying to play their games. Games with Lower Moreland and Schwenksville have been postponed, and three of the four games played had been postponed at least once.

Two non-league games were played—one a 10 to 5 loss at Pottstown, and the other a slim 2 to 1 loss to Phoenixville.

I-C Opener

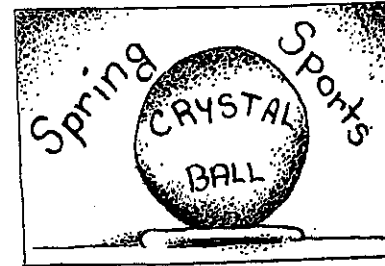
Finally, a whole week late, the Falcons started the 1964 Inter-County League season at Collegeville on April 16. But the team found more rough going in the face of the Colonels, who scored three runs in the first two frames with the help of Falcon errors. The sophomore stalwarts of the pitching staff, Barry Neuman and John Voychik hurled for Pottsgrove—Neuman the first four innings, Voy-

Junior High Posts Baseball Victories

The junior high school baseball team has a 2-0 record thus far in the season. Both victories came to the baby Falcons in games against Owen J. Roberts.

In their first game with the Wildcats, the Birds came home with a 10-5 victory. In the fast moving game, Rich Antrim, Robert Haring, Dave Gofus, and Tim Prout contributed runs to the Falcon roster.

On April 16, the Pottsgrovians



The two most widely recognized harbingers of spring in the United States are the robin and baseball, but for this year, the newly organized Falcon baseball team comes swattled in bandages. Yes, from the indications at hand Mr. Winterbottom will have to organize some auxiliary teams in conjunction with baseballers—a first aid and ambulance team!

Among the team's old-line veterans a number are injured: Pete Fredrickson (second base) with a knee dislocation, Buddy Smith (pitcher) with a weakened right shoulder, Harry Kappenstein (outfield) with five pulled muscles, and Bob Reber (first base) with a dislocated right index finger.

Winterbottom Worried

Mr. Winterbottom is already wringing out the damp towel in apprehension of the upcoming season. In an interview with a Falcon reporter, Mr. Winterbottom was quoted as saying: "If we finish the season at all at the rate we're going, we'll be lucky!" Later, rationalizing, he said, "This year we're not building a winning season; we're building character."

Cindermen Impress

In contrast, an aura of determined confidence radiates from the cinders these days.

13 of the 16 lettermen return from a track team that finally found itself in mid-season and roared back to cop four out of the last five track meets. This year, judging from the impressive upset of

Falcons Claw Wildcats For First Seasonal Win

Pottsgrove Sweeps Hundred And Mile To Insure First Victory Over Roberts

On a cold and rainy 2nd of April, the Pottsgrove High School track team opened up its 1964 season on the cinders of Owen J. Roberts. Despite the unfavorable conditions the Falcons clawed their way to a 67-50 win, marking the first time Pottsgrove was able to beat the Wildcats in a track contest.



by Jim Basile

As most of you probably know by this time, Mr. Gene Harris is in his last year as a teacher and coach at Pottsgrove High. Next year he takes on the position of head basketball coach and guidance counselor at William Tenant High School in Bucks County. Along with his basketball duties Mr. Harris will also coach Jr. High football. In his short four year stay at P.H.S. Coach Harris compiled a very commendable 59 win 31 loss overall record and a 33 win 15 loss league record. I am sure that every Pottsgrovian joins me in wishing Mr. Harris the best of luck in his new position.

Rutter to Succeed

With the resignation of Mr. Harris, the first question to be asked

Ken Harclerode's thinclads capped 7 of 13 firsts and swept two events.

John Kochel led the team with 10 points by sprinting to wins in the 100 and 220 yard dashes.

Mike (Bolt) Novak led the milers home in 5:05.9. He was followed by teammates Lou Del-Muto and Randy Neiman.

The other Falcon sweep was in the 100 yard dash where Kochel was clocked in 10.4 followed by Bob Basco in 10.5 and Jim Basile in 10.6.

Other Pottsgrove firsts were taken by Dave Tillger in the high jump, Stan Davidheiser, javelin, and Gerry Meyers in the discus event.

Spring-Ford Crushed

In their second outing the Falcons cindermen met the Spring-Ford Rams on their home oval. The final count was a lopsided 90-27 score in favor of the Birds.

Led by Bob Basco's triple win (100, 220, and 440 yard dashes) Pottsgrove won 12 out of 13 events setting three new school records.

Jim Gauger recorded a new school standard in the 120 yard high hurdles. His time was 16.3 seconds.

drive single, as the Birds managed only two hits and no runs resulting in the final score of 3-0 with Collegeville on top.

Tight Game

In their next game, Pottsgrove was again involved in a close contest. This one, at Upper Dublin, had been postponed from two days earlier when the rains came after three innings and the game tied at 1-1. The Falcons were edged in this make-up affair by 2-0, being shut out for the second straight game.

Pottsgrovians Show New Spring Craze

Now that spring has arrived and the weather is becoming warm and sunny, many Pottsgrovians are turning their attention to the out-of-doors. Along with the old spring standards of baseball and track, a few other sports have been growing in popularity with the area students.

Among these new pastimes is golf, a sport which only in the past few years has been taken up by the general public. In past years, only members of private clubs could enjoy the game. Very few public courses were in existence; however, recently a few new courses have opened in this area. Walnut Ridge in Lower Pottsgrove township is one of the new sites, and newer still is Twin Ponds, just one year old. A few of the older courses in the area are Arrowhead Golf Course in Douglassville and Exeter Golf Course on Route 422 in Exeter township. Add to these facilities a high school and junior high school golf club and Pottsgrove may have a future Palmer in its midst.

Who Are These Duffers?

Pete Fredrickson, who can be found navigating the Brookside

walked only two. The one and only Roberts hit came in the final inning, when a Wildcat beat out an infield hit. Gofus, Schaeffer, and Testa scored two runs apiece, with both Schaeffer and Testa doubling to make the final score 14-0.

Six Men Return

Only six boys on the junior high team have returned from last year. They are Bauer, Antrim, Schaeffer, Chryst, Favinger, and Fisher.

Spring Calendar

Senior High Baseball

Apr. 20—Schwenksville A
Apr. 23—Bridgeport H
Apr. 27—Jenkintown A
May 4—Lower Moreland A
May 7—Upper Dublin H
May 11—Collegeville-Trappe .. A
May 14—Schwenksville H
May 18—Bridgeport A
May 21—Jenkintown H

Track

Apr. 20—Hill School A
Apr. 23—Wyomissing A
Apr. 30—Phoenixville H
May 7—Methacton H
May 16—District #1 Meet,
Norristown

Junior High Baseball

Apr. 16—Owen J. Roberts A
Apr. 20—Daniel Boone H
Apr. 27—Hill School A
May 1—Collegeville-Trappe .. H
May 5—Conshohocken A
May 12—Collegeville-Trappe .. A
May 14—Conshohocken A

Country Club course in the high eighties, is probably our best bet to make the Masters. Although John Psota and Mike Novak are having their troubles with Arrowhead, they may still make the grade. Other familiar faces that may be found on the links are those of John Monck, John Buckwalter, Ron Favinger, John Kochel and many others.

Although Coach Ken Harclerode would be the last to admit that a possible undefeated season is in the making, even he concedes that he has a pretty good squad. "The team is larger and better balanced," Harclerode acknowledges.

Students Pick Series Victor

With professional baseball beginning to appear on the scene, many Pottsgrove students and teachers have been heard making predictions. Here are some of their predictions:

Jack Hipple, who plays short-stop for the Falcons, forsees the White Sox as tops in the American League, the Cardinals in the National, and the Cards as World Series champs.

Karen Hurter, one of Pottsgrove's sports-minded girls, has predicted the Yankees to win the American League, and the Phillies to gain both the National and series titles.

Neil Carlisle, a sophomore, favors the Yankees and the Braves. According to his calculations, the Braves will gain the pennant.

Eighth grader, Michael Kozel, is an avid Phillies fan and has his sights set on them for the series. He claims the Yankees will take the American League.

Roxanne Miller's favorites are the Yankees and the Dodgers. The Dodgers are her choice for the series.

For an expert's opinion, Mr. Rheel was consulted. On his opinion, the Red Sox will take the lead in the American League, but will be overcome by the Dodgers.

A Falcon sports writer predicts the Yankees to take the American League and the Cardinals to capture the World Series title.

However, the problem was quickly solved on April 14 in a joint school board meeting, when former Junior Varsity coach, Jim Rutter, was awarded the coveted position. If his past J.V. records are any indication, Mr. Rutter should have little trouble keeping Pottsgrove at the top of the Inter-County basketball scene.

Yankee Jinx

Although the major league baseball season is still wet behind the ears, many ballyard buffs are already contemplating the final results. By past performance the Yankees should surely repeat in the Junior Circuit but not if a 40 year old jinx remains adamant. The Bronx Bombers have never won a pennant in a year ending in a four. They finished second in 1904, tied for sixth in 1914, second in 1924, second in 1934, third in 1944, and second in 1954. Nevertheless, the opinion here is that they will break the spell and capture their fifth straight American League flag.

Charlie Gambino's old 180 low hurdle mark of 21.6 seconds. The new standard is 20.9 seconds. The third record belongs to Ron Favinger in the broad jump. He broke his old mark of 20 feet 7¾ inches with a 21 foot 3 inch leap.

As in the opening meet of the year, Falcon sprinters took all three places in the 100 yard dash. Pottsgrove also made a clean sweep of the shot put. It was won by Jim Hanley with a heave of 41 feet 7 inches. Dennis Brile and Jim Dugger took second and third places respectively.

Along with his win the shot put, Jim Hanley threw the javelin 162 feet 4 inches which was good for a first in that event.

Another double winner for the Falcons was Bob James. He won the high jump with a 5 feet 2 inch leap along with his record breaking low hurdle performance.

Pottsgrove firsts were also taken by Stan Davidheiser in the half-mile run, Gerry Meyers in the discus throw, and Irvin Banks in the pole vault.

Take Your Mark!



Pottsgrove cindersmen, J. Basile, L. Del-Muto, J. Kochel, M. Novak, B. Basco, line up for practice sprint.

Harper's Editor Explains Reasons "Why Nobody Can't Write Good"

"Why Nobody Can't Write Good" is an explanation of the hardy perennial, the poor composition exhibited by America's students. It is the title of an article by John Fischer, editor of HARPER'S, in a recent issue of that provocative magazine.

There are many reasons for the problem, Fischer feels. He quotes Professor Paul Roberts, author of several English texts:

"Everybody who is not an English teacher seems to think that English teachers have had special training in English composition and in how to teach it. We have not."

Most telling thrust is Fischer's "... the one thing they (the students) have learned about English in high school is that it is unimportant."

Oh, maybe an occasional fussy English teacher had carried on about it, but the high school math and history and social-studies teachers couldn't have cared less. They seldom assigned written papers or essay-type examinations, since their classes were too big, and it is easier to grade true-and-false objective tests.

Most of them, indeed, were so insecure about their own English that they would have flinched from correcting a mistake in rhetoric, even if they had considered that part of their duties."

Professor Roberts is called upon again: "Special courses in writing are not the answer..."

For Fischer, a ray of optimism penetrates these gloomy clouds. "Fortunately not everyone has abandoned hope. In both high

Sophomore's Hear Lecture On Japan

On Thursday, March 19, the sophomore class was privileged to hear the Reverend and Mrs. Reif speak on the Japanese culture. This assembly was presented in conjunction with their world culture study of Japan. The lecture was accompanied by color slides taken during the Reif's stay in Japan. These slides illustrated the family life, the works the missionaries are trying to accomplish, and the Japanese landscapes so characteristic of their love of beauty.

A question and answer period followed, during which the sophomores were able to broaden their knowledge of Japan. After the assembly the Reverend and his wife were presented tokens of the class's appreciation—a stool made by the shop class and a pin from the art department.

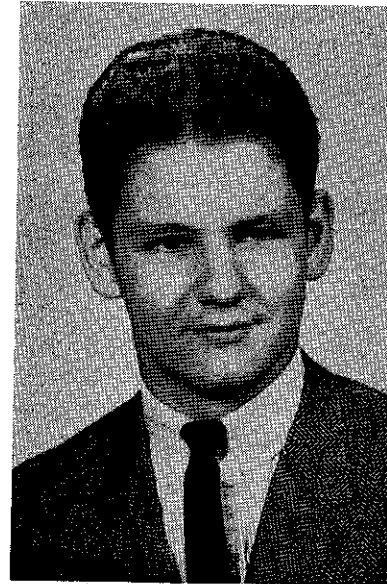
Seniors Take Test

On Saturday, April 4, Betty Price and Daniel Nace from the senior class traveled to Philadelphia with Mr. Ralph Murgia to take tests sponsored by the Colonial Philadelphia Historical Society.

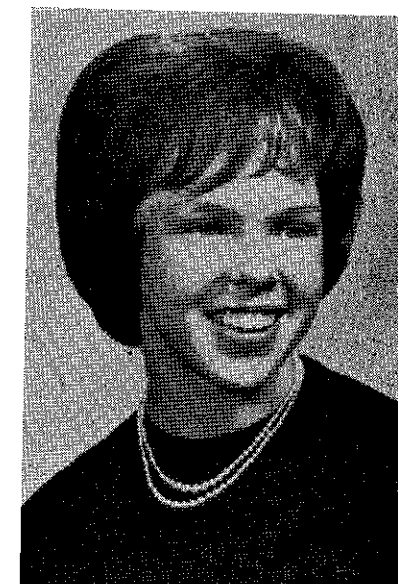
The seniors were selected to represent Pottsgrove High School in the society's fourth annual youth award competition by taking tests covering the colonial and federal periods of American history.

Odds 'n Ends

Don't look now but the teachers are at it again taking their



JIM HANLEY



ROBERTA GEPHART

Who's Who In P. H. S.

Everyone has seen this versatile character around the halls. His name is James Hanley, better known to most people as "Fanger." "Fanger" played left tackle on the varsity football team for the past two years and he is in the varsity club. Right now he is active in track.

Hobbies Are Sports

His hobbies are all sports, but when he is not active in school activities, you can find him enjoying horseback riding, skiing, and working around Chevy cars.

When asked what kind of foods he enjoys, he claims that he likes all kinds. You can often find him walking around with Judy in the halls.

Future Plans

Jim has no plans right now for further education, but he does plan on going into the United States Marines in August.

This six foot, brown haired, green eyed senior is in the Industrial Art Course.

As the team comes running out on the playing court, no matter what sport so long as it is for girls, we will see Roberta. Roberta is just about as active as you can get when it comes to sports.

Outstanding Athlete

Roberta was presented the Lion's Club Sportsmanship Award at the Varsity Club dinner on February 26, which makes her the top girl athlete at Pottsgrove. But no wonder; she participates in all girls' varsity sports.

She has played varsity hockey for three years and was captain this past season. She also received the honor of being on the Woodridge Hockey Camp Honor Team for two years.

In basketball she has played three years on the varsity team and has been captain for two years.

In softball she has also played three years varsity and has been the captain for two years.

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to learning's portal
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become immortal.

Betty Price

Pollock Winner In Oral Contest

Michael Pollock and John Minnick participated in the annual Optimist Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Pottsgrove Lions Club. The event took place at the Lower Pottsgrove Social Room on March 10, 1964 at 7 p.m.

Michael, a freshman, presented the winning speech while John, a sophomore, achieved the position of runner-up.

"Optimism, Formula For Freedom" was the topic on which they spoke. The presentations were delivered without notes and lasted between four and five minutes.

There will be a zone contest in which the winner will speak. It will be held at the Security Trust Building in Pottstown. The date

it is not only possible but essential to teach kids to write."

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Seniors Travel To Pennhurst

Members of the senior class traveled to Pennhurst State School or to Norristown State Hospital on March 16 and 18. The seniors observed the patients and learned about new developments in the care and treatment of the mentally ill and mentally retarded. The senior health classes are currently studying mental health and the various mental diseases.

Mrs. Jacqueline Flamm and Mrs. Barbara Lindenmuth accompanied the students to Norristown State Hospital, while Theodore Kershner and Francis Winterbottom visited Pennhurst State School with another group of seniors.

The trip was arranged by Francis Winterbottom and Mrs. Jacqueline Flamm.

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