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The Falcon



Trojans a
white-washed
Christmas
tonight!

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Chorus Stages Annual Holiday Performance

Pottsgrove's annual Christmas Concert was presented on December 16 in the high school auditorium by the senior high band and chorus. Thomas Roberts and Eugene Johnson, directors of the band and chorus, carefully composed a program involving holiday music from several religions. The concert, which opened with "Christmas Festival" played by the band, included a chorus processional, incorporating several items original to Pottsgrove.

While the chorus sang old favorites as "Good King Wenceslas," special vocal groups introduced Hebrew songs and the Wassail Song. In "Hallelujah Chorus," also given for the first time at Pottsgrove, both the band and chorus performed. A brass choir, another new feature of the concert, joined the chorus in the selection, "Fanfare and Chorus."

Four senior high students who have made district chorus are seniors Douglas Gible, Robert Fink, and James McClurken, and sophomore Eric Van Horn.

Petrilla Enters National Sewing Talent Contest

A Pottsgrove senior, Carol Petrilla, has recently made a suit and entered a "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest. Carol competed in the district finals and became one of the finalists.

National Finals Held In Dallas

District finals were held in Allentown and on December 27 and 28, Carol will be registered in the Penn-Harris Hotel in Harrisburg, where the state finals will be held. If she wins again, on January 29, 1968, she will travel to Dallas,



Barbara Edleman, Mitchell Hummel, and Kathy Swartz practice for Christmas Concert.

Pottsgrove Faculty Presents Show To Benefit Education Association

For the benefit of the Jesse H. Rosenberry fund the Pottsgrove Education Association is presenting **Barefoot in the Park**, a three act comedy by Neil Simon. The cast is made up entirely of members of the Pottsgrove faculty.

When Corie Bratter, a newlywed portrayed by Miss Jacqueline Antonio, decides to try her hand at match-making, much to her prim mother's chagrin, a near holocaust occurs. Miss Phyllis Guest will portray the mother, Mrs. Banks. Corie's "stuffed shirt" husband, Dennis Smith, acting as Paul, frowns at his wife's antics. But all the while Victor Velasco (in this

NEWS FLASH!!

Pottsgrove will again welcome a foreign exchange student, this year from Brazil. Expected to arrive in the middle of January, Leile Nogueira d'Almeida will reside

Briar Lane, Pottstown, for the duration of her visit to Pennsylvania.

The name of her home town is Bairo Porto Vilko-Divinopolis.

Writers Win Prize Ratings

Barbara Brumbaugh, Alice Rutkowski, and Richard Pell recently received notification that they have been awarded first prize ratings for their entries to the 1966-67 Pennsylvania School Press Associations Awards Contest. Barbara's prize-winning entry was her interview with the Supremes, which was featured in the April, 1967, issue. Cartooning, Alice's category, captured first honors and featured a caricature entitled "Spring Nee-His!" in which she parodied men's spring fashions. A photograph of Thomas Dori, captioned "Dedication," won first place for Richard in the photography division.

Other entrants included M. Pollack, A. Elliot, D. Petrick, A. Brile, and K. Geiser.



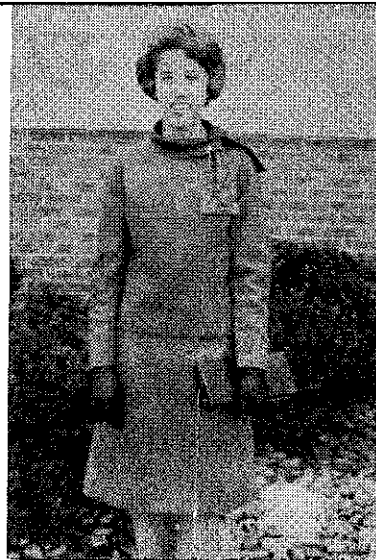
Dawn MacNeill, Joyce Yingling, Zelma Elliott, Patricia Chaback and Carol Sierocinski go over FHA records.

finals.

European Trip Top Prize

The national finals will be the height of the contest. Among other prizes, the champion will secure a trip to Rome, Athens, the Greek Isles and Madrid.

In addition to sewing, Carol plays the organ for morning devotions, for the Senior High Chorus and at St. Vincent's U.C.C. She is also a member of the band and secretary-treasurer of the National Honor Society. After graduation, she plans to attend college majoring in home economics.



Carol Petrilla in winning suit.

Homemakers Prepare Gifts For Children In Crossnore

The officers of Pottsgrove's Future Homemakers of America traveled to Schwenksville High School on Tuesday, November 28, 1967, to install Schwenksville's new officers. Girls participating were: Dawn Mac Neill, president, Joyce Yingling, vice-president, Patricia Chaback, secretary, Zelma Elliott, treasurer and Carol Sierocinski, historian.

The club is also sending a package to Crossnore. Crossnore is a school, located in the mountains of North Carolina, designated for under-privileged mountain children. Founded by Dr. E. H. Sloop and Dr. Mary Martin Sloop, it has been incorporated for use since 1917. The packages sent to the school include such articles as: clothes, material, tooth brushes, pencils, crayons, and other odds and ends that could mean much to these children. As the packages are sent, they are put for sale in the Sale House or Second Hand Clothing Store. This is Crossnore's main source of income.

By sending a package the F.H.A. club is providing for under-privileged children a luxury to which they are not accustomed.

Seniors Sponsor Christmas Fete

Held this year for the first time in the cafeteria, the annual Christmas dance sponsored by the senior class presented the traditional theme "White Christmas." Faculty advisors Earl Boehmer and Mrs. Kathryn Wenhold and student chairmen Renee Williams and Barbara Edleman aided the seniors in planning the December 9 dance.

By the amazing artistry of the talented seniors, the snack bar was transformed into a fireplace; a gay snowman welcomed students at the lobby entrance, while two other wintry men gave Christmas spirit to the cafeteria. Centerpieces for the tables also featured snowmen.

Music for the evening was provided by a Pottsgrove group, Jack Kupp and the Entertainers. For refreshments cup cakes, Christmas cookies, pretzels and soda were served.

The highlight of the dance was the appearance of Santa Claus, alias Connie Rainis.

Dear Miss Thompson:

Thank you for your kind letter. It was good of you to take the time to write.

I am pleased to know that you are having so much fun with the Peanuts characters. I hope your new column will be a big success.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Schulz
Charles M. Schulz

production Ronald Shafer), the aging European Casanova who lives in the attic, beams.

Directing the play is Miss Elaine Stover. The delivery and telephone men will be portrayed by Fred Marshall and Richard Wentz, respectively. Jerry Leisey is designing the sets, while teachers who are not acting are serving on committees for make-up and tickets. January 19 and 20 are the dates set for the presentation of this faculty production.

Marcia Corresponds with Charlie Schulz

Falcon staff member Marcia Thompson has long been a fan of Charles Schulz, creator of the cartoon strip "Peanuts." Always searching for fresh newspaper ideas, the imaginative Marcia conceived the column "Dear Charlie Brown," which begins with today's issue. It was her idea that Charlie's perception, common sense and candor could be applied to the solution of Pottsgrove student problems.

Since Charlie is Schulz's creation, however, Marcia first corresponded with the famous cartoonist, requesting his permission to use Charlie in her column. She received the following reply.

No Christmas Trees? Students Give Opinions

If you could have anything in the world, what would you like for Christmas?

"Anything in the whole world," exclaims Stephanie Szakal, "why that's inconceivable!"

"Don't be silly," says Marcia Thompson, "I know exactly what I'd want—five big wishes."

"I'd like, I'd like—ka-choo!—a box of man-size Kleenex," Barb Brumbaugh calls as she hurries off in a mist of nasal spray.

Jay Wissler says, "a fender and door for my car—now that's practical."

"How about a DEAR," Cindy Saylor chimes in.

Mike Kulischhof says, "What I want most is a toss up between Elke Sommers and South America."

"Oh, what I wouldn't give for five sections who love to write poetry . . ." sighs a weary Miss Antonio.

Christmas. What is it? How could it be changed?

Randy Spaide grins, "Christmas is the mistletoe." Claudia Bender thinks "it's vacation from school and a chance to sleep late."

Patt Moser feels that Christmas is morning, opening gifts, family, and snow, while to Mr. Schafer "it is joy and happiness to be shared with loved ones." "But too often Christmas is distress from shopping in crowded stores, anger when someone sneaks ahead of you in a line, and cramped fingers from addressing too many cards." This from Mrs. Rheel.

"Christmas is cold weather, good food, and presents—and it should be weeks longer," says Kenny Pienta.

To Mike Kulischhof, "It is a time when my favorite TV show is canceled because of a Christmas Special that's been shown for the past 25 years."

Wayne Stahl says that Christmas means Christ's birth and generous giving, while Alison Arnold thinks it's a happy feeling, but that Christmas Eve should be longer.

However, Peggy Wier replies that Christmas Trees should be banned.

With a worried frown, Kathy Endy pipes up, "Do I have to

Students Discover Scandinavian Life To Be Fast-paced

Sharon Basco and Dennis Keene, Pottsgrove's foreign exchange students, are having very memorable months in far off Denmark and Sweden. Experiences which, until a short time ago, were only vicarious, have become real for both.

With school six days a week and countless trips and parties, their days are too full for either to be homesick. Having twenty subjects, including seven majors, sometimes makes school rough for Sharon, who has to read a novel a month for literature. Neither Sharon nor Denny is now having much trouble with reading textbooks.

Activities after school and during vacations also keep Sharon and Denny busy. During the last week of October, Sharon hosted a convention of exchange students, including Denny, on her Danish island of Bornholm. Sharon plans

Classroom Capers

Not all the tension falls on students as Mr. Wentz will readily testify. His most significant act of absentmindedness was his wearing of two different shoes to school one day. A quick trip home corrected the infirmity.

Vocabulary For College's definition of syntax: amusement tax.

Matt Prince and Doug Trout have collaborated in forming the new third person singular of setzen in German I. Their neologism has produced "true."

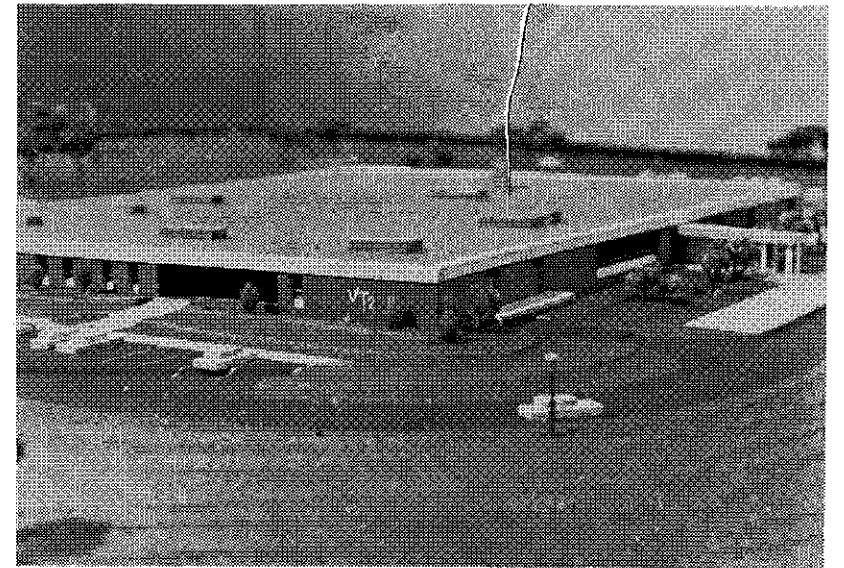
Zap! That mild mannered prosaic thing has become SUPER BALL! It is bouncing down the hall, bouncing in Mr. Dori's English class. POW! It is in Mrs. Wenthold's room, followed closely behind by Karen Nowakowski and Mary Jane Jenkins. Horrors! Foiled again!

Who says nothing ever happens in Pottstown? Why right here in our own school we have hurly burly in the form of Marcia Thompson. She has provoked a major catastrophe with her Charlie Brown and the infamous copyright laws of our country. In the end good overcame evil—all is now well.

Sign on a typewriter in room 100; "Keep your hands off! this machine is worth more than you are!" Thus is the epitaph for the decline and fall of man!

The ninth grade earth and space classes are quite active this year. Two prominent examples are Tom Koehel, who drives a Mack Truck, and waves to all the pedestrians, and Nancy McClurken, who needs a steel reinforced seat belt to stay on her seat.

Because of eagerness and thirst,



MODEL OF VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL

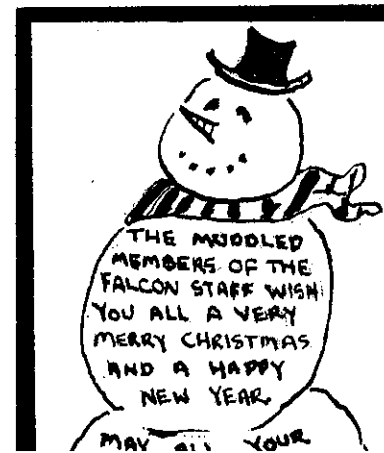
Various Courses Discussed For Area Vo-Tech School

Where can you buy the latest in fashions and have your car painted at the same time? Do you want your hair done for the big dance or that fender fixed that came about when you ran into that pole you did not see? All these services and many more are offered at the new addition to your high school, the Western Montgomery County Area Vocational-Technical School.

To better understand the courses offered at the Vocational Technical School let's take a tour. As you go along the writer will describe the new school and the various courses offered.

Various Courses Offered

We have now arrived at the school and have entered through the main entrance. Off to the right there is a smartly decorated display window which is the setting for the Distributive Education and Warehousing Departments. Here



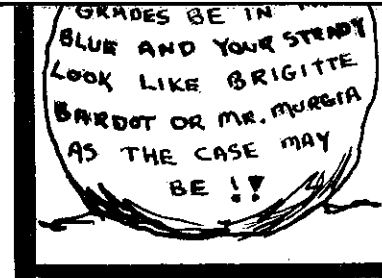
Mike Conley feels that more thought should go to the mentally retarded, and Miss Stover adds, "I'd like people to realize what the Spirit of Christmas is. To too many people Christmas means GETTING. My wish is for Peace—not just at Christmas time but forever.—Oh, and a new Volkswagen!"

change it. to visit Norway over the Christmas vacation.

In addition to these events, they are spending much time in just plain getting to know the Scandinavian countries. Sharon is fascinated by a ruined castle on Bornholm, where the streets are cobblestone and the homes are "fairy tale houses." Denny has visited, on a trip to Denmark, Shake-

chase a Coke before the time was due. She allowed her poor defenseless Coke to sit and dilute until the lunch lines went down. Oh, the agony of watery Coke!

speare's famed castle of Elsinore. With all this going on, it is a wonder that either ever finds any time at all to write home.



concerned with the marketing and merchandising of goods or services. One of the requirements of this course is to spend at least two hours per day in a business establishment in the community. The pupils operate their own store at the Vo-Tech School, and the public may purchase merchandise during school hours.

Our next stop is the Cosmetology Department. Here the students gain experience by styling, tinting, bleaching, dying, and shampooing fellow students' and customers hair.

Further up the hall is the Data Processing Room where students develop skills in this rapidly growing field. Another course which affords students the opportunity to branch into several specific areas is Agriculture in which Horticulture and Floriculture are taught.

Next is a course which ranks high with the male elements of the student body. The boys who choose Automotive Trades can pursue their interest in either Auto Mechanics and Maintenance or Auto Body Repair. Both courses deal with the maintenance and repair of the car and offer detailed instruction in these areas. Due to the growing potential for future success, Building Trades is an additional course which will increase in popularity in the next decade.

Future Outlook Is Good

Since much interest has been shown during the first year of the Vo-Tech School, the school's hopes for the future are optimistic. To fulfill the hope of this school it is the student's responsibility to pursue plans for a future vocation.

Santa Becomes A Hippie; World In State Of Shock

Several weeks ago, when firemen were investigating peculiar fumes pouring from Santa's workshop, several slipped on bananas and were injured. Last week, Santa ordered three tons of bananas, thousands of poppies, and large quantities of rare chemicals. As a final event in this unusual series, the following message was received from the north pole: dkjfo sjufb sjufb hub eu.

Yes, on this basis it would appear that Santa has turned hippie! The social and economic factors involved are tremendous. Since Santa will be busy making trips of his own, parents must find someone else to deliver Christmas presents this year. Also, almost 3,000 persons who formerly portrayed Santa Claus for department stores are now unemployed.

The End Of A Legend

Santa's recent reformation has indeed shocked the world. For many people, the entire spirit of Christmas has been decimated. Santa's change has also had its effect in Hippieland. The hippies, naturally, acknowledge no good or evil, and since Santa judges whether children have been good or bad, the hippies, of course, have refused to concede the existence of a Santa Claus. Therefore his recent enlistment in their ranks has been quite a shock. As a matter of fact, many hippies are now rejecting what they feel is a falacious philosophy of life for the "square" philosophy held by the rest of the world.

Charlie Cheat Strikes Again

by Lori Swavely

Why do students cheat? That is a question frequently asked by school officials and parents. Both parties fear that the student or child, as the case may be, has not been brought up in the right atmosphere, while Charlie Cheat thinks that he will never get caught and it can never happen to him. Besides, why should he worry? He knows that none of his good friends would ever fink on him. Sure, that is what friends are for. Right? Wrong! The friend who lets him cheat is as much to blame as Charlie is.

It seems that many students across the country are relying on this unfair way to pass tests. Could it be that they have more important things to do in the evening besides "trivial" things like study? (For instance, Charlie Cheat gets his kicks by raiding pumpkin farms on the eve of a major exam.) Or maybe the cause of all this is parental pressure. Charlie just knows if he does not make the honor roll his parents will disown him.

Once the habit of cheating is formed, it is a very hard one to break. If Charlie is finally caught cheating and has a discussion with the teacher in charge, he probably promises he will never do it again. Even if by good grace he is given another chance, from that day on he has gained a reputation, one which he may never live down. At best, it is a stigma which will be difficult to remove.

Cheating—what good is it? What will you gain? These are some questions everyone should ask, but the most important one to ask is, "How much can we cheat before we cheat ourselves?"

Perplexed Pottsgrovian Prepares For Encroaching Christmas Rush

Colored lights outline windows, roofs, and doorways on houses along the roads. White fingers of frosty frigidity leave trails of snow upon the ground, while whiffs of woodsy pine waft through the air. December 25, 1967, is fast approaching Perplexed Pottsgrovian with all its hints and promises of secrets hidden in careful glee.

Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly . . .

For Perplexed, practically drowning in a turgid whirlpool of homework, basketball games, and plans for the Cotillion, Christmas '67 is

almost too close for comfort. Not only must he figure out what to buy whom, but also he must write out cards, decide how to rob his piggy bank, and form a devious plan to sneak the car to accomplish all this.

Tis' the Season to be Jolly . . .

As the X's on the calendar dates of December grow more numerous, Perplexed turns into a wild-eyed, hair-pulling creature. "Should I get a tie for Dad or maybe a shirt . . . A book for my bratty baby brother Brian or perhaps a clump of coal . . . Perfume for Mom or—" Interspersed between these plans are, of course, relaxing dreams of what Perplexed would like for himself.

Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la . . .

But somehow Perplexed manages to cram his shopping in on the 23rd, and Christmas Eve finally rolls around. The tree-lights are lit, the trains are roaring, and Perplexed is relaxing to the strains of Christmas carols to think of the joys of the coming morn.

Wrestlers Topple Octorara; Tripped Up By Phoenixville

The Pottsgrove High School Wrestling team won their first match of the season as they topped Octorara on the losers' mats. The final score was 27-22, although the match started off with the grapplers forfeiting the 95 lb. match and losing at 103.

The Attack Begins

Gary Millard began the Falcon attack as he decisioned his opponent 5-4 at 112 lb. Jim Ormiston, Chris Hayet, Bob Heimbach and Gerry Knopp followed up as they decisioned their opponents 11-8, 6-2, 6-2, 3-2 respectively. Bob Fink tied his opponent 0-0 at 133 lb. John James in the 180 lb. class and Denny Fisher at 154 were the only two Falcons to pin their opponents.

Pottsgrove lost in the 138 lb. class as Bob Bergey was pinned and in the heavyweight division when Bill Meyers was pinned.

Lose To Phantoms

Following their first win of the season the Falcon grapplers traveled to Phoenixville High School for their first Ches-Mont meet. The home team captured all but three of the matches in topping the Birds by a score of 41-15. The grapplers lost the first three matches till Jim Ormiston pinned his man at 120 lbs. The Falcons then did not win until Dennis Fisher posted a victory at 154 and John James completed the Falcon scoring by winning at 180 lbs.

Edge Coatesville

The wrestling team evened their Ches-Mont League record at 1-1



SPORT TALK

Congratulations go to Tom Theis and Tom Psota who were selected by the Ches-Mont coaches to represent Pottsgrove on the All-Ches-Mont football team. Theis, a starting guard for two years and captain of this year's squad, was picked for the second offensive team as a guard. He was the workhorse of the Falcon line. Psota, a regular in the lineup for three years, received honorable mention as an end. He was the leading pass catcher on the team.

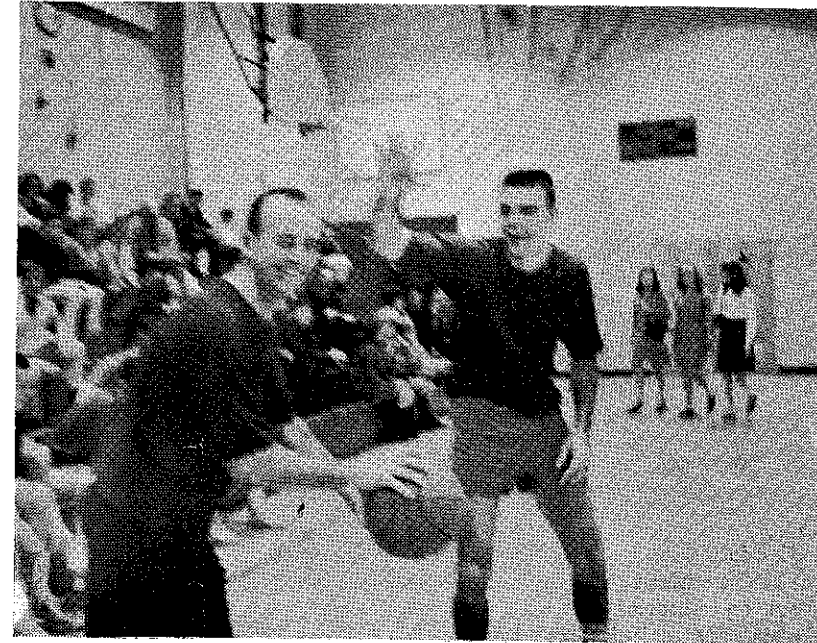
Dunking Illegal

This year a new PIAA rule prohibits the dunk shot. The reason for the measure is to even out the offense and defense. When the shot is "stuffed" into the basket, there is no chance to block it. The new rule also prevents the wreckage of many basketball rims. Many college teams, such as UCLA with their dunk artist Lew Alcindor, will be affected by this rule, but not so in high school.

USC

The University of Southern Cal-

Unionville, Tennant Fall to Birds; Stage Set for Pottstown Showdown



MR. BURKERT GUIDING A SENIOR?

Favinger, LaPish Lead Falcons To Several Victories

The Pottsgrove High School basketball team opened their 1967-68 season by hosting the forces from Unionville. The Birds got off to a great start by trouncing the visitors by a score of 71-54. Senior Paul Favinger led the team in scoring with 24 points on ten field goals and four free throws, and junior John LaPish tallied 13 points on four goals and five foul shots. Jim Leh, Joe Bielecki and Randy Reber each helped the team by scoring in the double figures.

Edge William Tennant

Paul Favinger's jump shot with three seconds left in the game gave the Birds their second win of the season, 62-60, over William Tennant High School. Favinger topped all scorers with 21 points on nine field goals and three free throws. John LaPish and Joe Bielecki hit double figures with six field goals for 12 points.

The Falcons led by 14 points at halftime and found themselves leading by 14 going into the fourth quarter. When the buzzer sounded the Birds were leading by only two. The coach of William Tennant is Mr. Gene Harris, formerly the head basketball coach at Pottsgrove.

James, Kozel Star In Smashing Of St. Pius

The Pottsgrove High defense, who could have been called "the eleven angry men" on Thanksgiving Day, beat St. Pius X, 31-0. The rout was the Falcons' third win of the season and erased some of the disappointments they had earlier in the year.

End Losing Streak

This win for the Falcons ended a three year losing streak to the crosstown rival. It was also the first time in several seasons that the visiting Lions were held scoreless. After taking a 6-0 lead in the first period on a 67 yard return by

Wilson Marks Start Of Girls' Basketball

Co-captains for the coming girls' basketball season are Barbara Lynch and Alice Rutkowski. These

24-21. It took a victory in the heavyweight division by Tom Theis to pull the meet out. Other Falcons to win were Dick Kern (127), Chris Hayer (133), Terry Supplee (145), Denny Fisher (154), John James (180), and Theis.

2 Unbeaten Wrestlers

After the first two weeks of the season two Pottsgrove wrestlers have accomplished unbeaten records. They are Denny Fisher, and John James. Each has compiled a 3-0 slate.

This year the mainstay of Mr. Swann's varsity wrestling consists of seven seniors, two juniors and two sophomores. In the future the team will wrestle such teams as Muhlenberg, Owen J. Roberts, Spring-Ford, and Great Valley plus the Trojans of Pottstown.

Jr. Dribblers Open Against Rams; Matmen Face Third C-M Season

Hopes for an improved season are high as the new head coach, Mr. Burkert, practices with some eighty candidates for junior high basketball after school. Last year the team finished with a lowly 1-10 record, but with the capable help of Mr. Rheel and Mr. Young, Mr. Burkert expects to do better.

Practice started in late November at the West Pottsgrove building and will continue until the first game on January 3, when they take on the Spring-Ford Rams on the high school floor. Mr. Burkert will rely on hustle, strong rebounding, and speed, with Dave Hughes and Robert Gingrich heading the team.

The junior dribblers climax the season on February 16 with Pottstown Central. Their Ches-Mont schedule consists of thirteen games.

Jr. High Wrestling

The junior high school wrestling

college football team in the nation by the Associated Press and United Press International. Led by O. J. Simpson, the number one ground gainer of all large college players, USC defeated UCLA for the top honor and a trip to the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day. Their opponents will be the Indiana Hoosiers.

New Coach

This year Pottsgrove High School is gifted to another fine coach to help Mr. Rutter. He is Mr. Harry Carson. This is Mr. Carson's first year at Pottsgrove where he teaches social studies.

Bob Marquet will probably join the team within the next week. Through the first three games Paul Favinger is leading the team in scoring with 70 points for a 23.3 average.

team opens its third season under two new coaches. This year the junior grapplers will find themselves under the coaching ability of Mr. Molvie with Mr. Wentz assisting. The wrestling team is looking for a fine season, but the group has little experience. Tom Kochel is the only returning letterman with only seven other boys who have previous wrestling experience.

Forty boys turned out for the squad this year. Mr. Molvie feels the major ambition of junior high wrestling is to arouse a desire to continue with the sport in the future, and to teach the fundamentals.

The Junior Birds open their season on January 5 against the Spring-Ford Rams at home. Other opponents include Phoenixville, Pottstown Northern, Pottstown Central, and Boyertown. All matches will be held Fridays at 3:30.

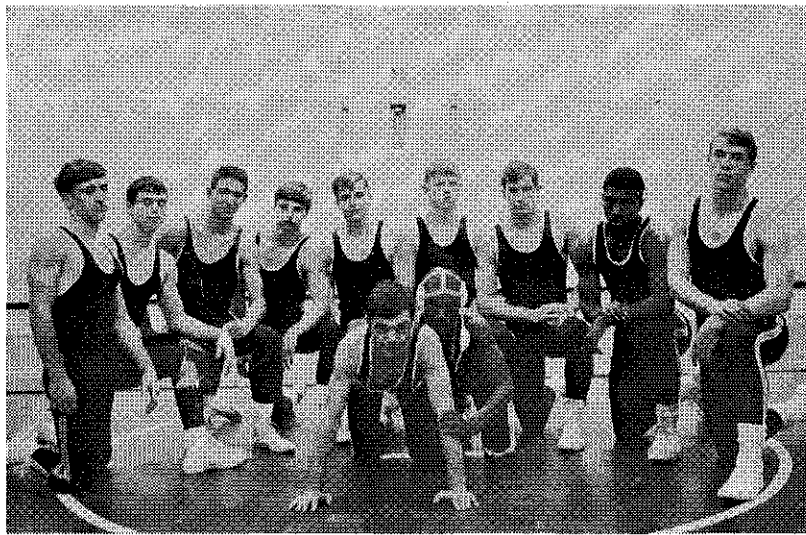
pose the nucleus of the team this year. The other five are: Martha Davis, Margrit Doerk, Margaritte Gantt, Sandy Hasselhan, and Jackie Schaeffer.

As a prologue to the season, the girls will have three scrimmages, the first one being with Wilson on December 8. This scrimmage will be an indication of the coming season, for Wilson won all their games last year and lost no players.

Intramural Results

Alice Rutkowski was the captain of the team that placed first in intramural competition. This team lost only one game in the first round and none in the second round. Other team members were: Cindy Born, Susan Brumbaugh, Diane Kaas, Bonnie Kirlin, Jean Reightnour, and Susan Yarnall. As a result of placing first the girls on this team all received trophies.

High scorer in intramural competition was Alice Rutkowski with 116 points, followed by Linda Grace and Barbara Lynch with 66 points each. Margaritte Gantt and Bonnie Kirlin were next with 52 points and 50 points respectively.



VARSITY WRESTLING BOYS PREPARE FOR MEET

a pair of touchdowns in the second quarter for a 19-0 halftime lead.

TD Pass

From the 26 yard line John James gained twelve yards before quarterback Terry Neiman flipped an arching pass to Dennis Fisher in the end zone. James and Kozel both played one of their best games of the season. Each gained 77 and 68 yards respectively and two touchdowns each.

Outlook for '68

With the departure of John James, Mike Kozel and company, the Pottsgrove football team will have many vacancies for the coming '68 campaign.

Though the '67 season yielded a not so impressive 3-5-2 record, it is hoped that those who played varsity this year will contribute to an improved '68 record.

Jean Yarnall emerged the highest scorer of the 9th grade with 32 points, whereas Karen Knause with 14 points became the highest 8th grade scorer.

In their first Ches-Mont game, the Birds needed a three minute overtime period to edge Great Valley, 69-66. Paul Favinger, who scored all seven of the Falcons' overtime points, led all scorers with 25 points. Tom Psota added 15 and John LaPish was the only other Falcon in double figures with 12.

The Falcons could not seem to get untracked in the first half and led by only two points at halftime, 29-27. But once the Birds started hitting there was no stopping them.

Pottstown Showdown

Tonight the Falcons travel to Pottstown for a showdown with the Trojans. This will be the fifth meeting between the two teams since the Birds entered the league two years ago. Thus far Pottsgrove has yet to lose to them, sporting a perfect 4-0 slate.

Pottstown is paced by Bob Towson and Roger Eppeheimer, while our boys are led by Paul Favinger.

Basketball Schedule

Dec. 22—Pottstown	H
27—Plymouth-Whitemarsh	H
29—St. Pius	A
Jan. 2—Owen J. Roberts	H
5—Coatesville	H
9—Downingtown	A
12—Phoenixville	H
16—Boyertown	A
19—Great Valley	A

Wrestling Schedule

Dec. 28—Muhlenberg	A
Jan. 3—Owen J. Roberts	A
10—Spring-Ford	H
17—Great Valley	H

Girls Basketball

Jan. 5—Pottstown	H
12—Downingtown	A
19—Spring-Ford	H
26—Great Valley	H

P.H.S. Personnel

HAROLD W. HARTENSTINE

Two buzzes sound throughout the building, alerting one of the most familiar faces seen by the Pottsgrove student body. Mr. Harold W. Hartenstine, an energetic Pottsgrove maintenance man, has been with the Pottsgrove School System for six years and is accustomed to this familiar signal which is his call to duty.

Expresses Opinions

As a member of the maintenance corps, he was asked a question regarding his work. His answer was quick and to the point, "I like it or else I wouldn't stay and do it." Speaking from the viewpoint of a Pottsgrove personnel, he says, "I am very pleased with the progress that I have seen here in the school since I have started at Pottsgrove."

Mr. Hartenstine is a most versatile individual. Before coming to Pottsgrove he was a bread salesman. At Pottsgrove, some of his multitude of jobs include: taking care of the boilers which are located near the gym corridor, maintenance of the radiators, and other maintenance work.

Interests

After his long working hours which are from 6:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., he often revives his energy by eating ice cream. Mr. Hartenstine spends his spare time engaging in one of his many hobbies, which include hunting, mechanics,

"Ask Charlie Brown"



Dear Charlie Brown,

Why aren't all of the flags in the classrooms the same? I have made a study of the measurements of the flags and have found that they are not of the same proportion. The Star-Banner on the one in Miss Hegedus's room is longer than one half the length of the entire flag. The one in Mrs. Horn's room is o.k.

Let's have some action to get the real flag in our classrooms, not one of the irregular size.

This is not only my problem, but one of the entire student body. How about an editorial about it? I'll submit my calculations to the cause.

The American's American

Dear American's American,

I am glad you are concerned with Pottsgrove's problems, but I do not think I can do anything about the length of our school flags. I can, however, give you some possible reasons for this tragedy.

1. Maybe Miss Hegedus's flag is the right size and some ambitious student decided to cut Mrs. Horn's off at the bottom.

2. Maybe Betsy Ross got carried away.

3. Maybe somebody is trying to see if the student body is alert.

If you have given up on flags and have accepted the fact that

Dear Charlie Brown,

My handwriting is atrocious, what should I do?

Chicken Scratcher

Dear Chicken,

Your spelling is not too good either, try atrocious instead of atrocious. As for your writing, did you ever try typing?

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Dear Charlie Brown,

How old is Snoopy and is he ever going to shoot down the "Red Baron"?

Yours truly,

Just a wonderer

Dear Wonderer,

I hate to tell you this, but Snoopy will never shoot down the "Red Baron." He will keep trying, though. As for his age, I couldn't tell you except that he is still a puppy.

Special P.S. from Snoopy,

"Some day I'll Get You Red Baron"

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Dear Charlie Brown,

Why don't we get straws for our sodas?

We should have dances in the gym.

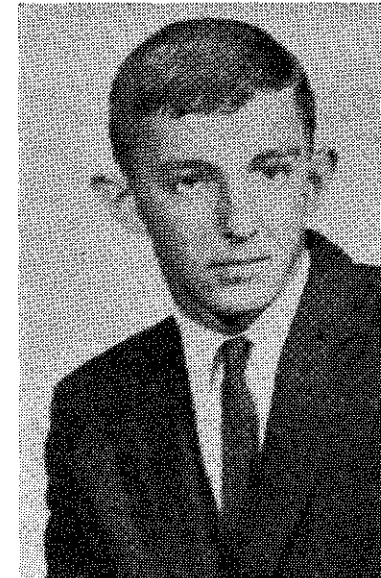
No Name

Dear No,

The reason we do not have dances in the gym is that it scratches the floors. As for the straws in the sodas, why not try slurping your soda like Snoopy?

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P. H. S. Personalities



CRAIG STRUNK

If you should ever attend a cross-country or track meet and if you are quick enough with the eye, it is possible that you will be able to catch a fleeting glimpse of Craig Strunk as he dashes through the course.

In addition to participating in cross-country and track, Craig is a member of our senior high school chorus in which he sings tenor.

On Safari

Craig is another one of the many fanatic Pottsgrovians who enjoy slogging through muddy fields and dripping woods in search of big game. Although his favorite quarry is deer, he has no aversion toward small game. With the falling of snow, Craig's passion turns toward skiing.

With the Ringing of the Bell . . .

After school, unless it is cross-country or track season, Craig can be found laying patches with his



JACKIE SCHAEFFER

Fear not world, you're not the only one with brothers and sisters. Jackie Schaeffer 17, lives with Wendy 11, David 14, and Kenny 18.

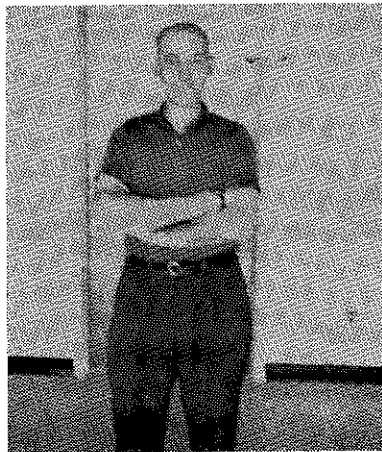
Jackie, along with the rest of the Schaeffer family lives on Cedar Hill Road.

Activities

When Jackie isn't busy playing left halfback in hockey or guard in basketball she can be found sweetly singing in the chorus or attending a meeting of the Pottsgrove Chapter of Future Teachers of America. The petite, blonde, naughty cherub type, Jackie is sometimes caught red-handed writing "nonsense poetry" about her friends. For example, referring to the hockey team's summer camp in the Poconos, she wrote to Barb Lynch:

Remember the girl in the upper bunk

Walking, diet, chunk, chunk, chunk



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you're going to live with this the rest of your days at Pottsgrove, why not try something else?—Like timing the length it takes each day for silent meditation. Do you realize some mornings it takes maybe 25 seconds, then other times it takes as long as one minute.

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Dear Charlie Brown,

I don't have any tremendous problems but I have something I'd like to ask you. Why do you always wear that ridiculous T-Shirt with the funny line around it? Are your other ones always in the dirty wash? Does Snoopy use them as security blankets? Don't you ever change your clothes?

A. L.

Dear A. L.

Modesty.

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I have a problem! Do you think it matters if you like a boy shorter than yourself? This is a very important question, so please answer me! (the difference is a couple of inches).

"Taller Than"

Dear Taller,

I think it does not matter one bit, but if it bothers you, do not wear heels or else you could hint to him to get elevator shoes.

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of transportation. One of his favorite haunts is good friend Tom Fennelly's house. At mealtime, one can find him wherever spaghetti is served. Rounding out the day in a state of complete relaxation, Craig settles in a comfortable chair by the television set to watch either "Felony Squad" or "Cimarron Strip," two of his favorite programs.

After Graduation

A student in the business course, Craig says that he does not have any definite plans for the future yet.

Residing at 1403 Hill Top Road, he is the son of Mrs. Leslie Strunk.

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Our little corner and all the junk Playing thumper and all we had drunk.

Oh well, corny but cute! Out of school, she enjoys taking walks and listening to the great sounds of the Temptations. In between records she often grabs a steak sandwich to keep her going.

Christmas Wish

With the Christmas Season coming around, Jackie has only one wish for Santa—clothes, clothes, and more clothes.

Future

Jackie, a top academic student who holds membership in National Honor Society, plans to continue her education at Shippensburg College in Pennsylvania in preparation for a career as either an English or a Math teacher in secondary schools.

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