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A Shot, A Cry, and History Etched with Tears

By Judy Fulcher

The death of our president came as an unbelieving, tragic shock to the student body of St. James high school. On the whole, students felt that the nation had lost a great president and they each had lost a friend. Reactions were quite personal as the following selections, written in tribute to John F. Kennedy, illustrate:

"Reflections in a Moment"

SJH between-class-halls rang out in silence.
Unbelieving, dazed — students proceeded blindly.
Whispers precipitated the silence in affirmation.
The President was dead.
Amazed, dismayed -- faces emerged stunned.
Three years before he ascended in triumph over Nixon,
The youngest to win the capitol's burden.
On the crisp, cold January morning of inauguration,
He challenged Americans to rise in freedom.
Whispers precipitated the silence in affirmation.
The President was dead.
Confused, bewildered — faces emerged stunned.
Two years ago this country stood on the brink of war
Over Cuba secretly stocked with offensive weapons.
He ordered a military blockade,
And Russians confused, sulkily retreated.
Whispers precipitated the silence in affirmation.
The President was dead.
Awful, grief-marred — faces emerged stunned.
Two months before he came here to North Dakota,
His spirits a reflection of a boy,
Searching for paper scrap and pencil stub to rewrite a speech,
Or barreling, hand outstretched, into a gleeful crowd.
Whispers precipitated the silence in affirmation.
In Dallas
Two shots
A blood spattered head
"Oh my God!"
The President was dead.

Gloria Birkholz

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"I respected and loved him as a really terrific man, and I considered him one of the most important men ever

MR. AND MRS.
J. F. KENNEDY

White House
Christmas '62



to have lived. His death has left a gaping hole in American society."

Jane Eisner

He was a part of us.
He was the people's,
He was the world's,
He was America.

Mary Fredrickson

When he was here in Grand Forks, (not only here, but everywhere he visited) his personality seemed to reach right out into the crowds. At the time of his death, some said that this warm feeling everyone had for him was just a wave of fickle popularity. I don't think so. I think that he was a man who contributed a great deal toward making the United States the great country it is today. President Kennedy had the courage to stand up to Khrushchev in the nuclear war, to quiet the steel workers, to remind the nation of its moral obligation in civil rights and to do many other courageous things too numerous to mention. Our country needs more great men like him to be its leaders.

Anne McDermott

There was a man, in a pinstripe suit, who walked with dignity at a time when it seemed there wasn't any dignity.

There was a man, who was a chief, a father and for many, a star: and this man was a leader of peace, not only for our nation, but for all nations.

Kaye Mullally

John Fitzgerald Kennedy is dead! How will he be remembered? I shall remember him, not as the politician, but as the man. The man who gave a tired, worried nation a new vitality and spirit. He became the torch which lit the country.

Carolyn Buckley

This is the last time I wish to speak of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, for I am a coward, who weeps and feels sick and cannot understand the justice in the loss of a truly great man.

Jane Trueblood

He did not die, for the eternal flame burns on in the hearts of the American people, in the hearts of the world. He left the world a great heritage — the ideals for which he stood.

He stood for equality, and fought for it more than any president in our history. He stood for peace, and so founded the Peace Corps.

He was strength. Strength, as the people turned to him in the terrible fears that gripped the nation as the Wall went up, and the missiles stood 90 miles from our shores. Strength, as people shirked their responsibilities, heaping them on his strong shoulders.

He was youth and life. He lived for the joy of living. He was vibrancy and freshness. He was courage and honor. He was manhood.

Jeanne Harrie

The Civil Rights bill showed that Kennedy was for the people. He knew by proposing such a bill he would lose million's of people's support in the South but he knew what was right and he did it, with no faltering, no afterthought, no change of mind.

We must follow President Kennedy's example. We must borrow his ideals, and we must do what he would have done if he were still alive. We must make this country beautiful and free, a place where color of skin does not prohibit anyone from living a happy normal life, and where children can grow up without the threat of war hindering them.

Judi Dohman

VIVE LE CERCLE FRANCAIS

A survey taken in all the French classes indicated a desire to learn more about French culture. To accomplish this, a new club under the direction of Sister Marie Shaun, French instructor, came into being. Anyone taking French may now join, and those who took French previously may become associate members.

As their first project the newly formed club selected French pen pals. During this quarter members plan to view French films, and next quarter they hope to listen to tape exchanges.

French III elected the following as officers: Mlle. Marie Shane, president; Mlle. Marguerite Shane, vice-president; Mlle. Beth Saumur, secretary; Monsieur Gregoire Peck, treasurer; and Mlle. Rose Dubuque, historian.

HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

With rags, brooms and buckets in hand, members of the newly established Catholic Action groups set out on their first project. The group, under the direction of Sister Malachy, cleaned and put into order the old convent chapel, in preparation for the offering of Mass.

The project made it possible for any St. James student to attend Mass at 8:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Communicants can purchase breakfast in the cafeteria immediately after Mass.

The girls in Catholic Action, under the instruction of Sister John Gregory, have also taken over the duties of sacristans, setting up the altar, preparing the chalice, laying out the priest's vestments and keeping the chapel clean.

ON THE MARCH

An enrollment drive spear-headed the beginning of Junior Red Cross activities. Students elected homeroom representatives who collected dues which pay for subscriptions to the *Junior Red Cross Journal* for each room. Later in the year representatives will ask each homeroom to fill gift boxes that will be sent to disaster areas.

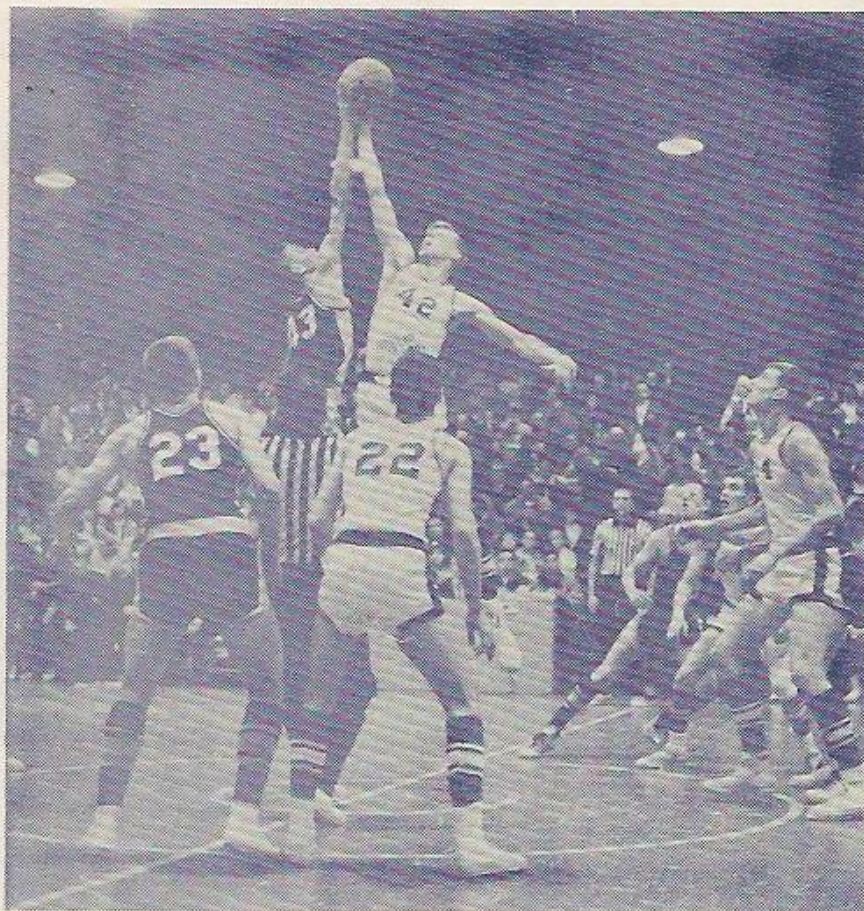
Sister Alice Veronica, home ec instructor, advises the group. Sue Ann Martin, senior, acts as Student Chairman, with Mary MacLeod, freshman, as an alternate.



GLORIA BURKE, ALICE GRIFFIN
Even chapels get dusty

**DAVE BUDZEAK, 42;
GARY LEMIEUX, 22;
BOB PLADSON, 14.**

Blasting off!



Experience Counts In Jim B-B Wins

By Joe Kulas

We are now officially in the '63-'64 basketball season and the Jims have quite a lot to look forward to this year. Last year the squad lost Lyle Myhre and Tom Skaar through graduation, but the rest of the old team has returned.

Mr. John Roche again assumes the head coaching duties with the help of Mr. Roman Horejsi. As captain, the Jims boast Bob Pladson, center. Last year Bob captured the sixth highest scoring honors in the state. At the end of the season, sports writers named Bob to the All-East team.

The Jim squad also includes eight other returning lettermen: Warren Aaberg, Mike Blackmun, Ron Boom, Gary Lemieux, Chuck Pelzl, and Dave Risky, seniors; and Chuck Alsdurf and Dave Budzeak, juniors.

Other members of the varsity are Bill Ratzlaff, senior; Paul Hannah, Tom Lynch, and Pete Plattes, juniors; and Dale Fontaine, sophomore. Seniors Monte Whitman, Jim Hughes, and Bill Litzinger serve as student managers.

A SQUAD BASKETBALL

West Fargo, Sacred Heart

The Jims are on their way. After falling in defeat to West Fargo, 60-40, the Jims came back the following night victorious over Sacred Heart, 51-36.

Central

After a week's rest the boys met Grand Forks Central in one of the most exciting games I have ever seen. The teams battled to a tie at the half.

During the third stanza of play the Redskins went ahead by seven points but the Jims came back without letting Central score and took the lead by one point at the end of the quarter.

The real tension came when the Jims, leading by two points, muffed a free throw in the few remaining seconds of the game. Central grabbed the ball and went down the floor to tie the game.

There was a mix-up at this point. Right after Central scored the Jims called a time out, but the clock didn't stop so the game appeared to be over. However, since the Jims had called time-out with three seconds remaining, they still had a chance, not a very big one, but a chance. Gary Lemieux took the ball out of bounds under the Redskins' basket, and threw the ball down

to Bob Pladson at the 10 second line. Bob took a couple of dribbles and shot. Immediately after the shot the buzzer sounded the end of the game. It was too late for Central, for the ball swished through the net and the Jims won by two points, 55-53. The fans went wild and Bob was swamped. Even Mr. Roche managed to jump with joy.

This isn't the first game in which Bob shined. Against Fargo he scored half of the team's points, and then against Sacred Heart he racked up 15 counters. Bob had a very good night against Central with 23 points added to his total in his bid to be among the state scoring leaders again this year.

Devils Lake

Friday, Dec. 13, proved to be an unlucky day for the Jims as they fell in defeat to the Devils Lake Satans, 65-64. After battling through five overtime periods, the Jims felt as depressed as the Redskins did the week before.

The game provided a thrilling one-second finish, leaving the Jims hopeful up to the time the final buzzer sounded. Bob Pladson, center, connected for 30 points and Chuck Pelzl, guard, turned in a fierce performance.

Cavalier

The following evening the Jims ventured to Cavalier and came away victors, 52-36. The Jims, who lead at every stop and never left any real question as to who would come out on top.

Strong Puck Team Flexes for Action

By Tom and Dave

After hearing about that first knock down, dragged out hockey practice at the UND Sports Arena on Dec. 13, we decided to bring you a direct rink-side report on the antics of the Jimmy puckmen. We heroically passed up that historic St. James-Central basketball game to cover a practice session.

Ice conditions made it difficult to pass judgment on skating speed (the boys seemed slower than usual), but in general, the team showed exciting promise. The graduation of Dick Engelstad, star goalie, left the Jims with a large net problem to solve. Jim Zeman, senior, will hold down this most bruising position.

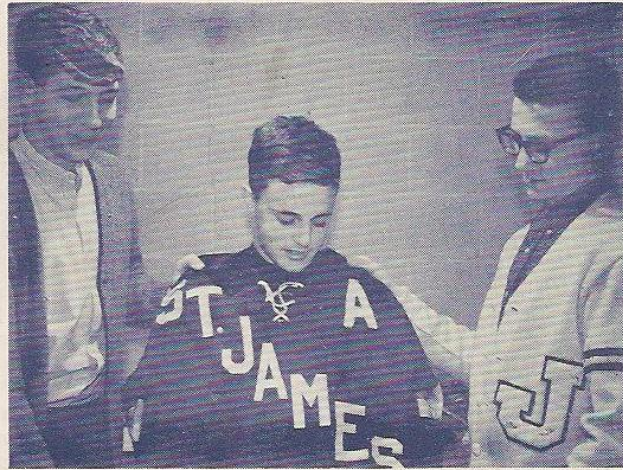
All seasoned players, 10 lettermen, make up the rest of the squad. Mr. Vern Hebert, coach, praised the team's potential, but he said the apparent lack of spirit and effort put forth by the boys to date during the practice sessions made it impossible to predict what the season would be like.

Returning lettermen include, in addition to Zeman, Steve Mullally, Bill McKinnon, Jim Farmer, Tim Lane, Tim Hanson, and Tom Gustafson, seniors; Keith Bjerk and Craig Morque, juniors; and Gary Lykken, sophomore.

Other boys out for the hockey team include Bob Tupa, Greg Bohlman, Bill Whalen, and Paul Breyer, juniors; and Bob Hauser, Mark Hagan, Jim Harrie, Mike Moe, and Jim Lyons, sophomores.

**BILL MCKINNON
JIM WIDMAN
MIKE POWERS**

**Dazzle the
opposition!**



Holiday Schedule

BASKETBALL

A Squad

Dec. 21 — Grafton — There
Dec. 27-28 — Tournament at UND
Fieldhouse

B Squad

Dec. 20 — GF Central — There
Dec. 21 — Grafton — There
Dec. 30-31 — Tournament at
Grafton

HOCKEY

Dec. 20 — Grafton — Home
Dec. 21 — Devils Lake — Home
Dec. 27-28 — Tournament at
Devils Lake
Jan. 3 — Devils Lake — There
Jan. 4 — EGF Central — Home

Jim Skaters Swamp EGF 7-2 in Opener

A SQUAD

The Jim puckpushers got off to a rousing start this year by defeating East Side Central, 7-2. Steve Mullally, with a hat trick, led the way for the Jims. Craig Morque came in right behind him with two more goals. Tim Hanson and Jim Farmer each chipped in with one goal toward the cause.

B SQUAD

The little Green Waves slipped by the SJH B squad team, 3-2. Keith Bjerk and John Lyons each made one unassisted goal for the only two points gathered by St. James. Bob Hauser, goalie, showed real promise during this game.

Players include Keith Bjerk, Paul

Family and Fun

Holiday Mood Sparks Unity, Joy

By Judy Fulcher

As the sparkling snow flakes slowly drift toward the ground and echoes of carols are resounding through the streets, we all experience an inner joy. The brightly lit shop windows and the throngs of people trudging through the freshly fallen snow to do their shopping announces the coming of a season which brings happiness to all of us.

At this time of the year we become a little more conscious of those around us. This season also brings each family a little closer together. Although modern times have changed the relationship of members of our families to each other, Christmas is one special occasion that our families try to spend together as a group. When dad puts the lights on, mother strings the popcorn and the children dangle strings of tinsel over the pine branches, everyone is drawn a little closer.

In today's rapidly moving world our families are constantly pulled apart by a variety of recreational means, jobs, and community activities. During the Christmas holidays it is possible for us to stop for a while and show our appreciation to other people, especially to those we have been taking for granted for so long. As the world around us slows down to match the solemnity of the season, we too are able to forget our frantic pace and worries and concentrate on making others happy.



Principal's Memo

To most everyone, Christmas brings a season of relaxation, mirth, and merriment. It provides us, the students, with an opportunity to escape from the daily routine of school work. It gives us a chance to recuperate from long term, involved assignments. It gives us time to have fun without feeling as though we are neglecting our studies. Opportunities for relaxation will include a chance to cheer the Jims on to victory during the holiday basketball tournaments and to get decked out in our best attire to attend the Christmas formal at St. James and the New Year's dance at St. Michael's.

However, whether we derive our pleasure from strolling along in the crisp air singing carols, baking decorative cookies, wrapping gifts, decorating the Christmas tree, Christmas shopping, sleigh riding, dusting off ice skates, or just plain relaxing and enjoying the invigorating North Dakota climate, Christmas is truly the season to be jolly.

Mailbag

Wailing Wall

LET JUSTICE PREVAIL

Certain new rules have been made limiting the extra-curricular activities of those who received failing first quarter grades, but to my knowledge these have not been consistently enforced. I think this should definitely be brought to the attention of the administration. It is not fair to the greater percentage of students who are following these regulations that a few should be able to defy them successfully. Rules should not be made unless they can be enforced.

Anonymous

LOCAL POLITICS

I feel there is a misunderstanding of the purpose of the Student Council. First of all, it does not serve as an administrator or disciplinarian of the school, because it does not have the facilities or training for this. The main purpose of the Council is to mediate between the faculty and the students. In doing this, we collect the opinions and suggestions of the students and bring them to the faculty. We also deal with the organization of clubs and the co-ordination of their activities.

Contrary to some opinions, the Student Council has been working in every capacity. We have fought for and obtained privileges for you. This year many of our suggestions have been accepted and in some cases acted upon. So far the Council has obtained driving privileges, initiated a milk line, and founded a Boys' Noise Club.

As a Council, we cannot act unless we find or are given areas where our action is needed. This year it has been hard for us because the administration is still experimenting with different arrangements. We expect that these problems will be gradually ironed out and that our areas will be more clearly defined as time goes on.

I have heard from some students that the Student Council goes along with the administration on every proposal made. This is false. We have represented you, and have not been led around by the administration. However, as representatives we must see both sides of the issues that arise and be willing to defer action or to settle for a compromise when conditions warrant such decisions.

Pat Curran, Council President

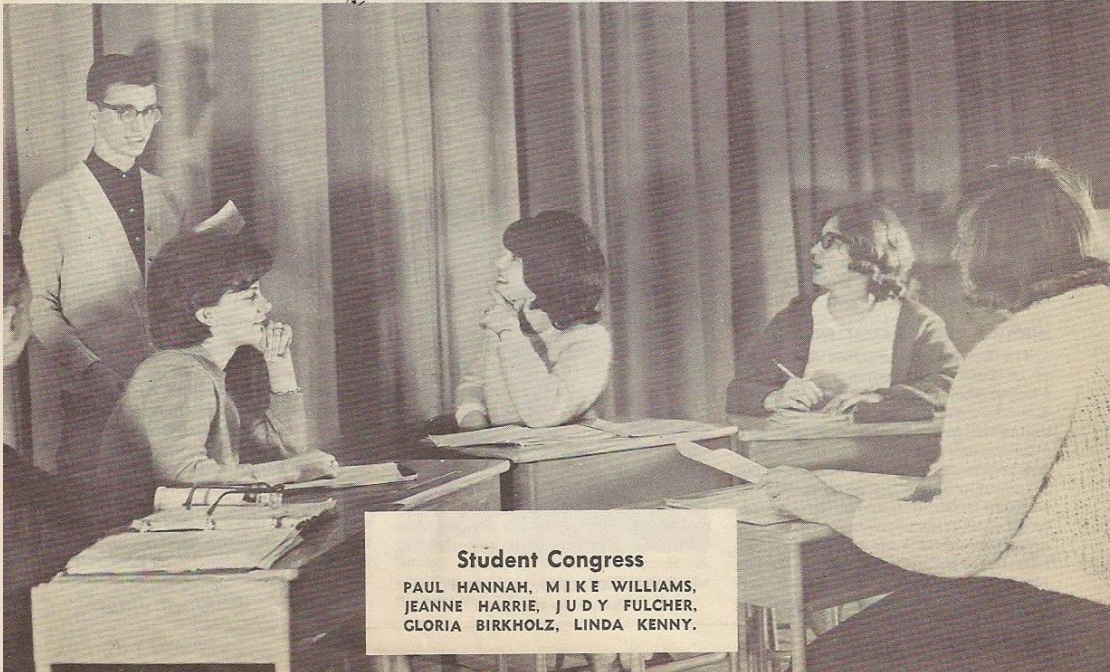
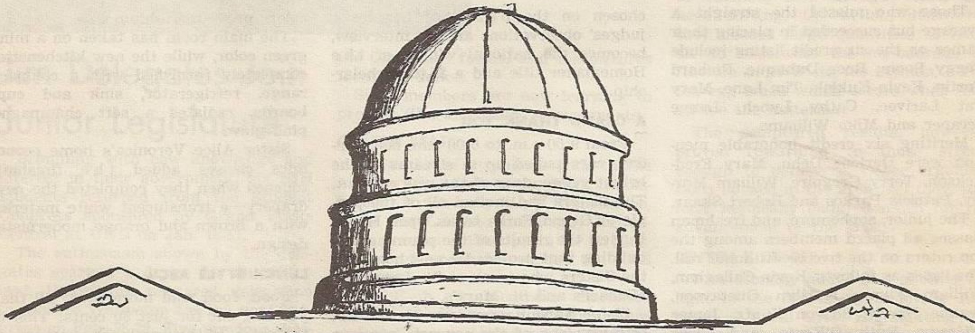


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Student Congress
PAUL HANNAH, MIKE WILLIAMS,
JEANNE HARRIE, JUDY FULCHER,
GLORIA BIRKHOZ, LINDA KENNY.

Five Jims Garner Rare 'A' Rating

According to Charlie Brown, security is getting straight A's . . . sigh!" Although the majority of students at SJH, according to this, are insecure, St. James does have a few well-balanced people who manage to be extremely "secure."

Among those students who chalked up a straight A record for the first semester are Paul Hannah, Alan Larivee, Beth Saumur, Kathleen O'Halloran and Sally Haigh.

Those who missed the straight A average but succeeded in placing their names on the six credit listing include Peggy Boom, Rose Dubuque, Richard Fortin, Kevin Kuklok, Tim Lane, Mary Pat Larivee, Cathy Lynch, Lynne Scrapper and Mike Williams.

Meriting six credit honorable mention were Darlene Dehn, Mary Fredrickson, Terry Gregoire, William Morley, Patricia Parkos and Robert Skaar.

The junior, sophomore, and freshman classes all placed members among the top raters on the five credit honor roll. The list is as follows: Kevin Callaghan, William Flynn, Marilyn Gustavson, Jeanne Harrie, Sharon Kuntz, James O'Grady, Ruth O'Keefe, and Chris Painter.

The girls steal most of the top honors in the five credit honorable mention list by outnumbering the boys three to one. The following students sharing this honor are Judy Alsdurf, Gloria Birkholz, Julianne Breyer, Carolyn Buckley, Gary Dufault, Maynard Fremole, Judy Fulcher, Cheryl Hauser, Cindy Hauser, James Hill, Dennis Hofarth, Rosalie Krile, Tim Kulas, Thomas Lynch, Sharon Molenaar, Kathleen Morley, Laurel Murphy, Rene Narloch, Mary Porkrzywinski, Antoinette Scholand, Pam Wolf, Marilyn Zon and Anne McDermott.



**PAUL HANNAH,
BETH SAUMUR,
SALLY HAIGH,
KATHLEEN
O'HALLORAN,
ALAN LARIVEE**

**Which colleges for
whiz kids?**

ANOTHER KIND OF EXCELLENCE

The Betty Crocker's 1964 Homemaker of Tomorrow from St. James, Juli Phelps, achieved the highest score in a written knowledge and attitude examination given Dec. 3, 1963.

Her scores, now entered in state competition, may win her a \$1,500 scholarship and a set of Encyclopedia Britannica for the school. In addition to all this, the state winners will enjoy an expense-paid tour to colonial Williamsburg, Va., Washington, D.C., and New York City.

In the spring, one of the finalists,

chosen on the basis of her tests, judges' observations and an interview, becomes the national winner of the Homemaker title and a \$5,000 scholarship.

RALLY 'ROUND

Here's your chance to do something positive and worthwhile for Lent by contributing to the Bishop's Relief Fund sponsored by the Student Council. The money implements an emergency fund for the Holy Father — so you know your donations will be put to good use. If everyone in school would give just a nickel a day, we would really have a healthy contribution to make at the end of Lent.

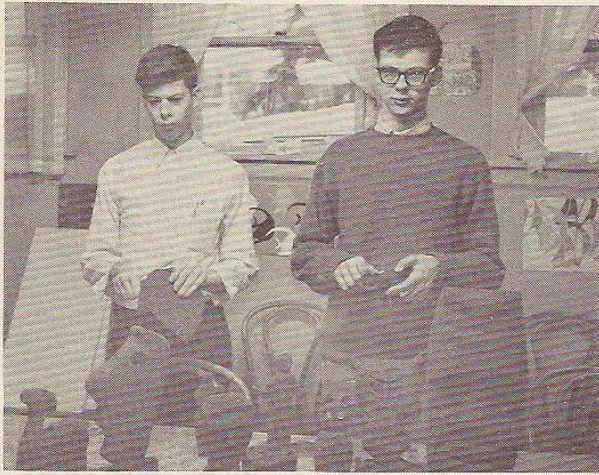
Pat Curran
Council President

Prep Michelangelos Creates Menagerie

It all started with a perfectly innocent order for \$9.82 worth of foam-glass. Sister Marie Shaun, Art Club adviser, saw the potential of the styro-foam type insulation as an art material for sculpturing. Everything went as planned until the material arrived. Little did Art Clubbers know that \$9.82 worth of foamglass measures 300 square feet, and costs \$18.00 for shipping.

In addition to the apparent problems of finances and storage which still need solving, the artists discovered they needed large quantities of fresh air to neutralize the malodorous effluvium of H₂S (to the layman, a rotten egg smell which occurs when they scrape the material.)

The sculptured results, however, proved rewarding to those strong enough to persevere. Other organizations housed in the area feel they, too, have heroically endured much for the advancement of the arts.



**TOM AND PAT
BULGER**

**A task for
phlegmatics?**

Jim Delegates Join Junior Legislature

Brimming with new knowledge and interest in their government, six SJH students returned from the Student Congress sponsored by Grand Forks Central at UND on Jan. 10-11.

The enthusiasm shown by the delegates sparked a desire for an organized, thoroughly prepared delegation to send to Wahpeton for the next congress on Feb. 28-29. Five previous delegates, Paul Hannah, Linda Kenny, Mike Williams, and Jeanne Harrie, along with Gloria Birkholz and Judy Fulcher, who attended a congress last fall, make up the Wahpeton delegation.

These representatives began to prepare the bills due to be discussed and to brush up on current problems in government and legislation. An informal debate with Grand Forks Central two weeks before the congress will provide experience and point out weak points.

The advisers, Sister John Elise and Sister Shelia Marie, plan to take sophomores along to the next congress as observers.

SPIRIT BY THE BUSLOAD

"Come on kids, the team needs your support!"

How often have you heard these same words? They now have been formulated into a plan of action. The plan, set up by the Pep Club and headed by Mary Dale Youngern, involves arranging for chartered buses and chaperones to transport students to out of town games.

Backers claim that more students, and buses have taken to the road this year than ever in the past.

Conjuring Up a Myriad of Fond Memories

By Sally Haigh

Did you ever get candy free? Liz Plattes did! When Lizzie was in first grade, her teacher gave her candy because she was "such a good kid." In the same vein, sophomore Bonnie Bakke got in on the good deal, too, but she had to wash blackboards first.

A quick poll and a bit of memory searching produced gems of recollection about a universal subject of fond memory — first grade days.

Tom Stangby had orange juice at 10:00 every day, and Tim Moe broke his thermos.

Sister John Gregory painted a greenhouse, only she spilled paint, much to the despair of her teacher, who, taking immediate action, thrashed her and locked her in a closet. (And we think we've got it bad).

Also having teacher troubles, Colleen Kuklok had to stand in the corner for letting someone copy her paper.



Chris Painter revealed that she wore red glasses and got bawled out because she colored an ugly picture and had a fight with a fat boy! Frosh Dianne Fettig had to stay after for talking (and she hasn't stopped since!). Duane Fayette and Tom Geatz got "kicked out."

Ginny McCarty wrote notes to boys (after she learned how to write). George Cariveau confided that he got a star for reading five books and Tom Osborne claims he didn't do anything exciting. (Although we have inside information that he still gets royalties from records he cut for his aunt of Osborne Records. You've heard that little kid recite 'A, B, C' . . . that's Tom!) Pete Gregoire had a rather unique first grade year. He was vale-



dictorian, salutatorian, and also the class dunce. Pete was the only one in his class.

The very talented Sandy Sauer mastered her instrument and played the triangle in the band. Tom Hoverson claims he was the teachers pet. Mary Pat Rerick cried on the first day and her mother had to come and take her home. Freshman Jay Bohlman beat up the girls but his colleague, Mark Larson, only threw toys at them. Bill Flynn's hobby was climbing fire escapes.

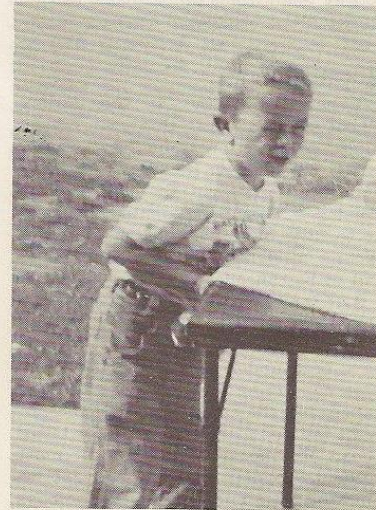
Sally McKinnon worried about TB. Her "pach test" came out positive. (Just allergy troubles). Sister Sheila Marie (who claims she was always a perfect angel) says she got slapped for a reason that eluded her and does to this day. Her teacher demanded that she apologize and Sister refused (after all, she didn't even know what she had done wrong). When she was requested to go to the cloakroom (remember them?) and say five Our Father and



Hail Marys, she didn't comply. This may help to explain why lazy historians in her classes can't win an argument for a better grade.

Stan Penn got hungry and took a hunk out of his teacher — actually he didn't, but that's what George Widman states. By the way, George just made it "through." Joyce Rogalla got into a fight with a boy on the first day and went home with a bloody nose. Judy Fulcher ate oranges and fingerpainted (not at the same time, we hope). Tim Lane went "the first day and all the days in the middle and the last day too." Mike Moe showed theatrical talent; he was the donkey in the school Christmas program.

Cathy Lynch, who was told that spring was "just around the corner"



could be found looking around corners for spring. Somebody knocked Kevin Callaghan down and he had to defend himself. Andy Anderson ate paste (very nourishing). Dick Fortin and Terry Gregoire comprised their entire class and they're keeping their underground activities quiet.

Al Larivee, evidently hiding a shady past, claims he's too old to remember. Kevin Kuklok volunteered, "I was the smartest kid in the class — as usual!" Sister Mary Saul arrived at her institution of learning sooner than she wanted to — a dog chased her to school. Bill Burwell won a holy card for his outstanding reading. Sister

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More First Grade

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John Mary transferred and lied about her age — in the opposite order. She was only five but told everyone that she was really six so they wouldn't send her home.

While girls seemed to remember more than boys, the boys remembered more sensational events and their incidents, like their cars, seemed to be "souped up!"



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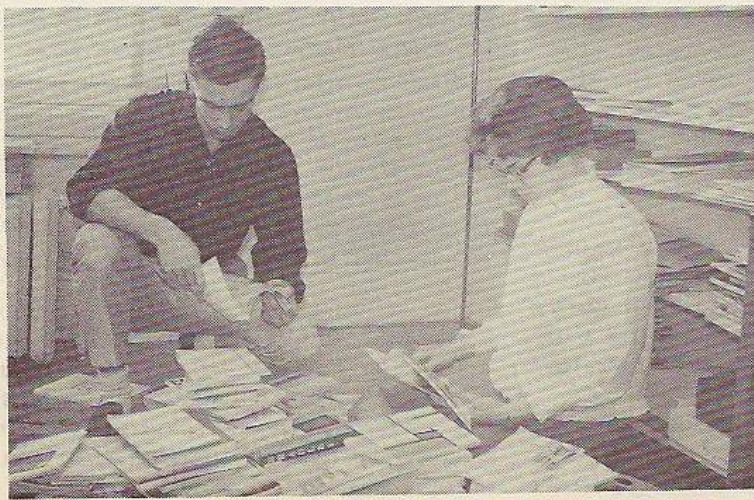
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PEGGY O'NEILL
Middle East touch

MEN OF AFFAIRS

St. James students of history racked their brains over Time magazine's annual current affairs test. Mike Williams attained the highest score in Sister Sheila Marie's world and American history classes, while Jeanne Harrie had the top score in Mrs. Alan List's classes. Al Larivee and Kevin Kuklok earned the highest marks in Sister Malachy's social problems and world history classes. The winners receive their choice from a list of several books contributed as prizes.



LOWELL O'GRADY,
ROSIE RAUB

Due in

Book Review

'Separate Peace' Mild After 'Catcher'

By Gloria Birkholz

John Knowles, a contemporary American author, from the safety of his adult perch, has reached back behind the barriers of his own adolescent period for the data in his novel, *A Separate Peace*. It is regrettable that he did not create his book before Salinger turned out his *Catcher in the Rye*, because Knowles' book could then have served as a teething ring for J.D.'s controversial work. Appearing later, however, it merely becomes a substitute for those not able to stomach Holden's conflict and agony.

In a first person style, narrated by a Gene Forrester, the story turns back time 16 years as Gene recalls his prep school days. But unlike Holden, who relates incidents in the idiom of his culture and times, Gene never really projects to the reader the vitality and conflict of his maturing years.

The reader comes away from *A Separate Peace* with the feeling that he

has only been reminiscing with the author. Mr. Knowles falls short in providing the vicarious experiences that enable the reader to feel the pain and poignancy of the sharp, emotional struggles that transform the adolescent into an adult. Rather, the reader is left with the rather uneasy impression that the tragic incidences that occur in the story have not really touched Gene at all. The injury and death of his friend, in which Gene played a fatal part, leaves no mark on him. He appears to be the same in character — before and after — making him in the end, a sort of vanilla pudding-ish kind of person.

Because of these weaknesses, *A Separate Peace* is not comparable to *Catcher in the Rye*, either in content or in style. However, it may be a thought provoking novel for those who might fail to grasp and consequently would resent, the lonely agony of the depressed Holden struggling against a phony world.

A SQUAD BASKETBALL

Grafton

The Jims experienced their second conference loss at the hands of Grafton, 56-46. The team then journeyed to U.N.D. for the first game of the Christmas tourney but were defeated by the Midgets 56-54. This short losing streak was terminated in the second game of the tourney when the Jims topped the East Siders, 69-37. Their merits earned the Jims a third place in the tournament.

Park River

The Park River Aggies, in another conference game, ventured to the Jims court to try their luck which turned against them as the Jimmies emerged victorious, 66-59.

Shanley

The Jims then turned south towards Fargo for an encounter with their arch rivals Shanley. The prospect of winning looked slim as the Deacons led by 10 points in the final quarter. But the spirit of St. James came through and the team tied up the score with just

minutes remaining in the game. The rallied efforts of the Jims continued as they pushed on to win the game 50-46.

Carrington

The Jims tucked another conference win under their belts when they dropped Carrington 59-46.

Sacred Heart

The Sacred Heart Eagles jumped off to an early lead in their tangle with the SJH Jims. Going into the second half, the Eagles had a 6 point lead, but the Jims came up to defeat them by 20 tallies, 77-57.

Larimore

The Jims dropped their third conference game to the Larimore Bears, 60-51.

Bob Pladson led the way as the Jim's top scorer with an 18 point average per game, with Chuck Pelzl following close on his heels with a 16 point average.

Central

In an overtime game last Friday night Central downed the Jims by a lean score of 57-56. The Jims led the Redskins in the first quarter by a 15-11 margin. The tables turned on the Jims at half time when Central took a one point lead. Both teams fought tooth and nail to the final overtime free-throw that put Central ahead.

Jack of All Trades Describes Managers

Behind those who take the bows a shrewd observer will always find the unsung heroes. At St. James these "heroes" hold the title "Student Manager," a deceiving cover-all for the jack-of-all-trades who must really nurse-maid his teammates through a wide assortment of trials and tribulations.

Any coach worth his salt will admit that a game could go on without him, but never without the manager. After all, who would find the right sox, or pull a spare shirt out from some hidden supply? Who but the manager knows if and when the uniforms will be back from the cleaners or where the last roll of tape has been cached?

All Cheer and Tide-ings

One of the many jobs the hockey student managers take upon themselves, or have had directed at them, is the washing of the team's jerseys, socks and so forth. This is done with nothing more than an old-fashioned washing machine of some sort shared with other student managers.

The boys also do little jobs such as taking care of sticks and other hockey equipment. This vital task has been entrusted to George Cariveau. Mike Powers has charge of the little black book in which all the scores and records are kept, whether they be wins or losses.

Last but not least there is Dr. Don Palmisno, who is permitted to practice on the team. The black bag which is his trademark contains not only medical supplies but also a multitude of other handy items, such as spare pucks. He hopes to pass the Red Cross tests one of these days. In the meantime his patients, iodine-daubed and band-aided, gratefully praise his life saving techniques.

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