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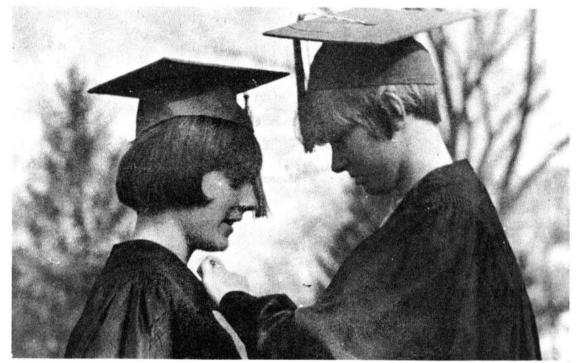
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ROSEMARIE VOKURKA LEADS CLASS OF '68

TOP STUDENTS NAMI



VALEDICTORIAN ROSEMARIE VOKURKA (left) and salutatorian Sandra Fisher try on their caps and gowns shortly after announcement of class rankings. (Photo by Butch Buhner)

S.O.S. Drive To Begin

Don't be caught chewing gum, without a bookcover, and don't be late for class during the week of March 18-22 or you may find yourself giving your nickles and dimes to the S.O.S. drive as a penalty. This is only one of the methods which will be used to raise money for the annual drive, which will begin Monday, March 18.

General co-chairmen, Kathy Wise and John Sikora, juniors, are arranging activities for S.O.S. week. Among the many plans are bake sales, which will be held every day after school." Each grade level will be in charge of one day during the week, and Friday all the classes will work together to conclude the week-long sale.

Other activities include the seniors playing the faculty on Wednesday, March 20, in a volleyball game, a hootenannydance planned for Friday, March 22, and a pie-eating con-

All the S.O.S. money collected will be used to help under-privileged children and children in troubled homes in the Gary

Girls' State Representatives Chosen

chosen to represent Lew Wallace at the Girls' State Convention this summer. They are Janice Adank and Chrys Thompson. The first and second alternates are Nancy Bozich and Andrea Richards, respectively.

The twenty-seventh annual session of Hoosier Girls' State, which is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, will be held at Indiana University, Bloomington Campus, from June 23 through June 30. The girls were selected on the basis of their interest in government, leadership, honesty, character, courage, cooperativeness, and scholarship.



The purpose of Girls' State is to educate y o u n g women in the responsibilities

American citienship and give them an opportunity to learn about the problems of government through active participation in mock conventions, campaigns, and elections.

When asked her first reaction, Janice replied, "I was shocked, b u t most of all I was very pleas-



Janice

ed. At Girls' State I hope to learn much about our government by actual participation."

Chrys stated, "I was surprised when I was told I am to re-

Two junior girls have been present Lew Wallace. I am looking forward to meeting the other girls and I feel it will be an interesting, enjoyable, and profitable experience."

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 13 Cap and Gown Measurements Thursday, March 14 Orchestra Concert 2:05 Friday, March 15 Orchestra Concert 7:30 Monday, March 18 SOS Week starts Freshman Bake Sale Tuesday, March 19 Sophomore Bake Sale Wednesday, March 20 Faculty vs. Senior Volleyball* Junior Bake Sale* Thursday, March 21 Senior Bake Sale* Friday, March 22 Hootenanny-Dance 7:30* All Classes Bake Sale* SOS Week ends Monday, March 25 P.T.A. Meeting 7:30 Tuesday, March 26 Girls' Club Sing Wednesday, March 27 Drama Production, Auditorium, 1:30 Matchmaker Friday, March 29 Drama Production, Auditorium, 7:30

Matchmaker

SOS Week

Culver-Stockton Choir

Money-raising projects for

Assembly 7th hour

STUDENTS ATTEND SHAKESPEARE PLAY

107 Lew Wallace students turned out for the Indiana University production of Taming of the Shrew last Friday and Saturday, March 2-3, in the Northwest Extension auditorium.

Of four hundred Gary high school students attending, more than one-fourth were from Lew Wallace. "An excellent turnout," was the way Mr. Bernard Shirk, secondary English consultant for the School City of Gary, described the Wallace group.

Mr. Shirk said I.U. wants to get high school students interested in live drama, and Shakespearean plays are considered best for this.

Tickets were available at Lew Wallace through English teachers. Miss Angela Hannagan, English Department head, coordinated sales here. Miss Carol Puchowski's sophomores bought 81 of the 107 tickets.

Students To Teach

What do you think of a student faculty? I mean, we, the students, actually teaching? On Friday, April 5, the Lew Wallace F.T.A. will do just thistry its hand at teaching.

Plans are now being made for the April 5 Teaching Day, when junior and senior members will replace the teachers. Members will make three choices as to which teachers they would like to replace.

According to Miss Olive Leskow, F.T.A. sponsor, all first choices will probably be accepted. If there is more than one student applying for a teacher, the teacher will chose his replacement. The student teacher will then meet with the teacher to formulate lesson plans for the day.

Senior Bob Jarcik, state F.T.A. president, formulated the project with Miss Leskow and Mr. William Vorwald, principal. Now assisting Bob in the project are seniors Della Alt and Elliot Gross and juniors Donna Robinson and Jim Eng.

A complete listing of teachers and student replacements will be announced in the next issue of the Philosopher.

Announcement of the top five graduates of the Class of 1968 was made to representatives of the publications staffs by Mr. William Vorwald, principal, on Wednesday, February 28. All five students are girls. The names of Honor Students were released the following day.

VALEDICTORIAN

Rosemarie Vokurka ranks first in her class with an index of 4.323. When told, Rosemarie commented, "Right now I'm worrying about the speech I'll have to make." She is not sure which college she will attend next year, but plans to major in art.

Rosemarie, often called "Ree" by her friends, has been active in many extra-curricular activities. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Girls' Club, Booster Club, G.A.A., F.T.A., and is a National Merit Finalist. She has also served as reserve and varsity cheerleader.

The accelerated courses she has taken include history, English, Algebra I and II, geometry, and Math IV. In her spare time Rosemarie likes to paint.

SALUTATORIAN

Salutatorian Sandra Fisher will graduate with an index of 4.103. Sandy was asked how she felt when she was told she was second in the class and replied, "Now it doesn't seem like my work was in vain." She will further her education at Purdue and will probably major in history or English, which are her favorite sub-

Sandy also has many outside interests. She has participated in National Honor Society, Klub Kem, Inpots, Booster Club, F.T.A., and Spanish Club.

The accelerated courses she took include Algebra I and geometry. Sandy especially likes to read.

THIRD, with an index of 4.041, is Barbara Langan. She plans to attend Michigan State, where her major will be zoology. During high school, Barb has been active in Girls' Club, Olympians, G.A.A., German Club, National Honor Society, Klub Kem, and Concert Band. She is also a National Merit Semi-Finalist.

She has taken advanced courses in Math I, II, III, and IV, and history, and has the unusual hobby of raising hamsters.

FOURTH in ranking is Margorie Gersack with an index of 3.953. She is not sure of her major, but plans to attend Purdue. Among her many outside activities are National Honor Society, Inkspots, Booster Club, Auditorium Council, Girls' Club, Student Council, Quill & Blade Staff, and Quill & Scroll. She

has also been a reserve and varsity cheerleader. Margie has taken accelerated courses in algebra and geometry. For recreation, she enjoys horseback riding and swimming.

FIFTH in the Class of 1968 is Della Alt, whose index is 3.924. Della plans to attend Ball State next year and major in Latin. She has participated in Inkpots, G.A.A., Spanish Club, Olympians, F.T.A., and Girls' Club.

Her advanced classes include history, Algebra I, and geo-

metry. A special interest is commercial art.

HONOR STUDENTS

Honor Students, those who have attained an average of 3.0 or better, are listed below in alphabetical order:

Gary Adamoski, Dave Baldea, Thomas Bell, David Capp, Marvine Cook, Sylvia Cooper, Terry Costakis, Beverly Dartz, David Dzunda, Christine Elibasich, Robert Ellch, Peggy Finch, Nancy Fodemski, Julia Fogle, Marilyn Gately, Paul Gojkovich, Elliot Gross, Thomas Heins, and Robert Ivancevich.

Other Honor Students are Margaret Janowski, Robert Jarcik, Rosiland Jones, Karen Kepchar, Evelyn Knapp, Sibylle Knapp, George Kopscick, Gregory Lowery, Susan Manley, Debra Martin, Nancy Mathson, Marianne Minarich, Linda Mitrovich, Roseann Ondovcsik, Michele Opalak, Lorraine Paskash, Gary Povlin, April Purtell, and Valeeta Pyles.

Completing the list are Judith Samter, Gail Schaser, Kendrick Shelbourne, Vicky Skorich, Patricia Sokolowski, Michael Solomon, Frank Stanzione, James Stochel, Gail Tomashefski, Dorinda Vassalo, Christopher Wardrip, Josephine Warner, Raymond Wieczorek, Alison Yarnold, Dennis Yugo, and Sylvia Zieba.



PLANS FOR A STUDENT FACULTY on April 5 are discussed by seniors Bob Jarcik, state F.T.A. president; Mr. Vorwald, principal; and Della Alt, Wallace F.T.A. president.

(Photo by Butch Buhner)

Five In Gary-Post Contest

"Help others help themselves" was the theme of an essay written by five Wallace students who entered the United Fund Post-Tribune Essay Contest on Monday, February

Participating students from Lew Wallace were Jim Eng, junior, Paul Hernandez, sophomore, senior Vicky Skorich, and juniors Linda Wineinger and Shirley Yovanoff.

In preparation for the writing of their essays, five students each from Lew Wallace, Horace Mann, and Roosevelt High Schools were given a conducted tour of three United Fund agencies in the Gary area. The three agencies visited on the tour of February 20 were the Lake County Association for Retarded Children, the Campbell Friendship House, and the Gary Goodwill Industries. This tour provided the students with the background material for their essays on how the United Fund benefits the community and how member agencies are run.

The winner of the contest will have his essay printed as a feature story in the Post-Tribune, complete with a photo and by-line. Second and third place winners also will have their names and photos published.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ter has reference to a quote in

Dear Editor,

I think the custodians did a commendable job during the last snow and deserve a "thank you" from the Wallace students.

During the last snow, students who changed buildings between hours might have noticed that the sidewalks were quite clear and salt had been used.

Although all accidents may not be avoided, our custodians have helped with their efforts. Sharon Benjamin

Junior Editor's note: We agree.

Dear Editor:

Some seniors have a lot of nerve saying they are "ashamed" of the senior class! Why should they be if they knew why most of us don't attend fund raising projects!

We would participate if we knew we could get on a committee or at least get some type of recognition. But we wouldn't. It seems that the only ones who get on the heads of committees are all friends that hang around together. Now do you know why you don't have good turnouts?

It's just plain disgusting! The only way you can get on anything is by having friends who are the heads of things. I hope the future classes of Lew Wallace don't make a mistake like this.

Disgusted Senior Editor's note: The above let-



OBSERVING WORK OF THE UNITED FUND at the Lake County Association for Retarded Children are junior Jim Eng (center) and sophomore Paul Hernandez.

a story about senior light bulb

sales in the last issue of the

Philosopher. While we don't

agree with the letter entirely,

we feel it does have some merit.

Anyone else like to comment?

shame on you for doubting we

would print your letter!

Dear Editor:

Incidently, Disgusted Senior,

Yesterday when I said the

Pledge of Allegiance, I glanced

at the people around me. None

of them were really saying it

as if they meant it. It was

force of habit, and probably

they thought of it as a wasted

minute in which they could be

talking or combing their hair.

from Lew Wallace who have

died in Viet Nam. They gave

their lives, which is much more

than is asked from most of us.

Why can't we give just one

minute a day and really mean

Sandy Mostak

Five Lew Wallace gradu-

ates have died in Viet Nam

since this school year began

Ronald Joseph ('66)

George Hall (('66)

Robert LaBuda ('65)

Ray Hollopeter ('64)

Mark Kolvek ('64)

in September:

Sophomore

Now I think of all the boys

(Photo by Vincent Studio)



HOW ABOUT THAT!

We found a crowd! On Thursday, February 15, the Wallace Hornets played the Hammond Tech Tigers at the Bailly gym. Approximately 300 spectators attended the game and our students proved that they don't lack school spirit when it comes to backing a losing team.

In the last edition of the Philosopher a survey was printed in which 82% of those asked indicated that they would attend more basketball games if they were

held at Bailly. They evidently meant it!

Although we were defeated, the students cheered our team on and showed the players that the student body is behind them. Let's hope more games are scheduled at this location next year so students may more actively support their basketball team.

TV Matching Game

..... study hall with a substitute teacher "Everybody's Talking" "Off to See the Wizard" reporting to Mr. Vorwald Mr. Stankiewicz and the single "The Dating Game" women teachers "The Avengers" ladies at lunchtime keeping the halls clear "Laugh-In" trying to see yourself in the mirror in the girls' washroom "Passage to Adventure" walking into the wrong washroom "Lost in Space" trigonometry "Good Morning, World" homeroom 'Family Affair" ... "Wild, Wild West" the West Building between periods 'Bozo's Circus" the boys' gym during lunch hour 'General Hospital" the nurse's office when all you want is a band aid "The Matching Game" trying to light a Bunsen burner "The Guiding Light" counselors' office "Treasure Island" teacher's cabinet with all of the test answers "Girl Talk" home economics classes 'Outer Limits" ... Mr. Schoon's Chemistry class "Swinging Majority" cheering section at football games "Get Smart" parents' comments after report cards "The Invaders" "Mission: Impossible" trying to get from third floor West to third floor Main on time "Another World" the portable buildings

THOUGHTS OF A SENIOR

It's been a very short 31/2 years. It seems as if it were only last week when I was ten minutes late for class because I realized that the "M" in 203M had some significance. The teacher in 203W kindly explained that significance to me.

Today I am concerned with a world which is not centered around Lew Wallace. My problems are no longer clean gym clothes, swimming on Monday ("How will my hair look?" was a common cry in the dressing room), and getting from third floor West homeroom to east study hall in four minutes (seniors don't even try to do somethink like that). Replacing these worries are the problems of financing a college education, filling out job applications, finding a summer job, dreading the College Achievement Tests, and waiting for an acceptance or refusual from a college.

The problems indicate that seniors certainly have a lot not to look forward to. Before we are pushed out into the world, however, we still have about three months of high school left. In those last three months are the activities which promise to make the last of our high school days the most enjoyable and memorable.

The reality and nearness of graduation recently struck me when a friend of mine announced that the seniors would be measured for their caps and gowns in just five days. The class rank of the some 460 seniors will be revealed in March also.

Sometime around April 15 many seniors will receive an official-looking letter from a college to which they applied for admission. The content of the enclosed letter will determine the future institute of education for those seniors and will also explain the unusually glum or exceptionally happy look on those students' faces.

May promises to be a most memorable month for the Class of 1968. The Senior Prom will be held on May 10, followed by the Post-Prom Party. Those same girls and boys who attended this formal dance in long

gowns and tuxedos will dress to the other extreme on May 29, Dress Down Day, and the last full day of school for seniors. Although this momentous occasion is some two months away, most seniors are already planning the best clothes to wear to look their worst.

These same seniors will look anything but sloppy two days later on May 31. Dressed in suits, ties, dresses, and high heels, the almost-graduates will attend class for one-half day. although there will certainly be a surprisingly large number of seniors walking the halls between eight o'clock and noon.

At noon, the class of 1968 will turn the school over to the class of 1969 as the seniors, departing to attend the Senior Luncheon, leave Lew Wallace for the last time.

Baccalaureate Service will be held on June 9, at the Fortythird Avenue Presbyterian Church. Although the minister will be speaking of the future, most seniors, now on the eve of graduation, will be thinking of the past.

The next evening, June 10, members of the Lew Wallace Class of 1968, with four very short years behind them, will slowly walk across a very long Memorial Auditorium stage to receive their diplomas.

FOUR YEAR OLDS ATTEND WALLACE

By Janice Adank

How many four year olds attend Wallace? Well, believe it or not, there are three such students! Mike Colosimo, Donna Wells, and Ronald Witte, sophomores, are all technically only four years old because their birthdays fall on February 29, which comes only once every four years.

"It really is funny to see how confused people get when they send cards for my birthday. I usually get them one week before and about two after!" said Ron.

In answe: to the question: What makes your leap year parties different?" Donna replied, "We play spin the baby bottle and the person it points to gets burped."

"Leap year birthdays do have their advantages because my children will never be able to call me 'old lady' because I'll eventually be younger than they will," Donna commented.

But after a little mathematical computation, Mike realized that this could have disadvantages because, "I'll be 84 before I can vote, and 260 before I can receive social security. But on the other hand, I'll be 76 before they can draft me!"

When asked about his future plans, Mike said, "I plan to be the only I.B.M. operator who is just old enough for kindergarten."

'41 Alumnus Joins Administration Staff

In order to relieve Mr. William Vorwald, principal, and Mr. Alfred Smith, assistant principal, of some of their duties, Mr. Joseph Black came to Lew Wallace as assistant principal during the second week of the current semester.

Mr. Black attended Lew Wallace from kindergarten through his senior year in high school, graduating in 1941. He spent the following three years in the service. Having had service experience, Mr. Black said, "I appreciate those boys now in Viet Nam. I know how they feel." Following the service, he completed his education.

From 1952-1961, Mr. Black coached at Lew Wallace. For the first five years he was Coach Polizotto's assistant basketball coach and his last four years were spent as head swimming and football coach.

Before coming to Lew Wallace this year, Mr. Black spent five years teaching government and economics at Horace Mann.



Mr. Black



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Reporter Interviews Senator Bayh

Since returning from a three week tour of Vietnam in January, Senator Birch Bayh (Democrat-Indiana) has talked to groups throughout Indiana. Before a recent appearance at St. Francis Hall in East Chicago, Mr. Bayh answered several questions for Jim Eng of the *Philosopher*. Exerpts from his answers appear below.



SENATOR BAYH

Do you agree with the policies of the Johnson Administration in Vietnam?

I don't like what's going on in Vietnam at all . , . We need to . . . shift a greater amount of this burden onto the shoulders of the Vietnamese . . . we are not requiring enough of them . . . (we're) making some progress, but . . . I'm impatient . . . I'd like to see more progress made there . . .

What is the feeling of the Vietnamese people towards the war?

. . . They'd like the war to be over. The important question is,

KLUB NEWS

ORCHESTRA DEPARTMENT

"Mississippi Suite," "Il Travatore," and "Cavalier Overture" will be among the selections presented at the Orchestra Concert in the school auditorium Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p.m. General admission will be 50¢.

A matinee performance will be presented on March 14 for selected classes.

OLYMPIANS

Plans for next year's citywide Latin Conference will be discussed at a meeting to be held at Lew Wallace, Tuesday, March 11, after school. All Gary public high schools and Andrean will be represented by teachers and Latin students.

LES PARISIENS

On Saturday, March 23, the French Club plans to go to Chicago to see the movie "Camelot." While in Chicago they will also tour the Art Institute.

Members of the club are also planning a "Mardi-Gras" for Tuesday, March 19. Each member will make a mask, which will then be judged by a group of teachers. After the judging, refreshments will be served.



"Do they want the war over bad enough that they would be willing to accept the VC?" I think most of them would say "no." They don't want to be victims of the VC.

Do you agree with the way the Johnson Administration handled the Pueblo incident?

. . . We are still handling it . . . We need to . . . get those young men out of there . . . I hope the President will continue to do all he can through diplomacy and negotiation . . . the first time we use force, the chances of getting the boys out of there a live (are) greatly diminished . . .

Are you giving your support to either President Johnson or Senator Eugene McCarthy?

runs, he'll be renominated, and I surely will give him what support I can . . . McCarthy's whole campaign is based solely on Vietnam, and he hasn't done anything but criticize the President. I haven't seen any grand solution he has come up with . .

On what platform are you basing your campaign for reelection?

. . . If I decide to run . . . I'll probably base it on the things that we have tried to do, the things that I have tried to accomplish while I've been there, and then, also the things that I think are important, that need to be done

VICKY SKORICH WINS DAR AWARD

Competing against students from six other Gary high schools, Vicky Skorich was recently named the 1967 winner of the city-wide Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award.

The theme of the contest was "Progress Is the Activity of Today and the Assurance of Tomorrow," and the qualifications were dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

Competing students were required to write in 200 words or less what the theme meant to them, in addition to answering twenty-four questions.

"I was very, very shocked, to put it mildly," remarked Vicky. "Some of the questions were impossible!"

Vicky's paper will be entered in county and state competition. The winner will be awarded a \$100 bond and entered in the national competition for a \$1,000 scholarship.



Reviews at Random

by Debby Foler

"Bonnie and Clyde" is a film surrounded by controversy. Some critics have labeled it vulgar and violent, while others have heaped praise upon it.

Recently the film was nominated for ten Academy Awards, including the categories of "Best Film," "Best Actor," and "Best Actress."

After this vast amount of



publicity, I expected a truly great and artistic film. While viewing the film, however, I felt let down.

Afterwards, however, I realized that the effectiveness of the movie depended to a large extent on its subtle simplicity.

For example, the producerstar Warren Beatty seems to be preaching anti-violence in his film through the use of excessive violence.

The movie is a mixture of folklore and horror. Clyde is a jaunty car thief who rescues Bonnie from her dull, dust-bowl existence. The two set off on a career of bank robbery, but plan to settle down somewhere as soon as hard times are over.

It has been said that teens identify with the couple. Perhaps this is because their candor and sense of humor personify the truth for which the young generation is searching. The audience knows Bonnie and Clyde by the end of the film and has become enraptured with their personalities and knack for escape.

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Question of the Week

On April 5, F.T.A. plans to allow students to replace teachers in the classroom for one day. A *Philosopher* reporter asked faculty and students what they thought of the plan.

Mike German, sophomore, "Since I'm going to teach, I'm all for it. It may get out of hand though."

Andrea Richards, junior, "Since other schools have this activity,
I think Wallace should too! It would really be a lot of fun."

Barb Smith, junior, "I think it would simply be supercalafragalisticexpialadocious!"

Lynn Truchan, freshman, "I think it would be a very valuable experience for these students to be in charge of a class."

Alison Yarnold, senior, "It's a good idea, full of fun, but I wish

it were for the whole school instead of just one club."

Miss Elizabeth Ryan, English teacher, "I would like to have an
F.T.A. student teach the same lesson a freshman undertook

for his freshman project."

Linda Stephens, junior, "I don't think that it would work out because the teachers won't give the students enough control

of the class."

Jay Spector, freshman, "Why only on April 5?!?"

Josephine Warner, senior, "It is a worthwhile experience in which the club can practice what they preach and a good experience if the students who are taught will be cooperative."

Paul Hernandez, sophomore. "Providing the students who replace teachers are sincere, there shouldn't be any problem. I do think certain classes might get out of hand though."

Mr. Robert Manwaring, science teacher, "It would be a fine experience for F.T.A. members and others as well. Hopefully they will become more aware of the responsibilities of a teacher and become better students themselves."

Janice Black, junior, "I think it would break the monotony and give the kids a chance to show what they can do."

Cleon Stutler, junior, "Not unless I get to be the principal!"

Mr. Stankiewicz, social studies teacher, "I think it's a good idea.

You can fake the rest of the answer."

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AFTER 30 YEARS OF COACHING

POLLY STEPS DOWN

Terry Talks

Most of us here at school realize that our swimming team had a very successful season, finishing with 11 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie, but little is known about individual performances.

Coach Troy was lucky enough

to have three senior mermen on this year's squad who were probably as good a trio as could be found

on any one team. These boys were Pete Cooke, Dennis Yugo, and Walt Bogdanich. All three of them are three year letter-

Pete swam the 200 and 400 yard freestyle his sophomore and junior years, but this year he converted to the 100 yard butterfly. Dennis has been swimming the 100, 200, and 400 yard freestyle, and Walt's specialty was the 100 yard breaststroke.

During the regular season,

these three boys were undefeated in all city competi tion, and they went on to win their respective events in the City Meet.



STATE FINALISTS

Pete swam his way to four new records, including a pool record of 59.6 seconds, a conference record, a sectional record, and a new city record. Walt also set a new school record of 1:09.4 and a city record of 1:10.4 in the breastroke. Pete's record-breaking performance in the sectional sent him to the state finals, where he finished seventh.

Dennis also qualified for the state finals, in



which he finshed twelfth, by taking second place in the sectional 100 yard freestyle.

Of course, these three boys were not the only standout performers on the swimming team. There were others, as it took a combined team effort to come up with a season such as they had.

Dennis Yugo summed the team up pretty well when he said, we had a good season this year, but it would've been impossible without the effort that everybody put into it. It's hard to compete with schools like Munster and LaPorte where the swimmers practice in 25 yard pools instead of 20 yards, but we gave them all a pretty rough time."





CITY BOWLING TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM: (front row) Donn Yover, junior; Rick Benjamin, senior; (back row) Mr. Elmer Molchan, sponsor; Warren Leach, senior; and (Photo by Butch Buhner) Jim Stochel, senior.

GRAPPLERS SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

what brought Wallace the sectional championship," stated Wallace grappler Lenny Siekman when asked about the Lew Wallace wrestling victory in the sectional wrestling tourna-

The Wallace matmen bested twelve opponents with 65 points to win Gary's Sectional Tournament held earlier this semester in the Wirt High School gym. This is the first major tournament the matmen have won in their six year history at Lew Wallace.

Wallace seniors Art Sarris and Lenny Siekman placed first to lead the Wallace grapplers to their victory. Other winners who placed were Rich Ban, senior;

> PAT **PAULSEN** FOR PRESIDENT

"Determination and pride is Joe Coubal, senior; Mickey Lugar, senior; Don Shelbourne. senior; Cleon Stutler, junior; Doug Watkins, sophomore; and Jack Walker, freshman.

The Wallace matmen ended this year's season with an overall record of 7-3, beating Horace Mann, Emerson, Froebel, Tolleston, Andrean, and Hammond High.

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"My first principle in coaching a boy was to instill in him the desire to win." These were the words of Head Basketball Coach Don Polizotto, who after 30 years of service, is stepping down from the coaching ranks.

Coach Polizotto attended Froebel High School, graduating in 1929, but not before he had lettered in football, basketball, swimming, baseball, tennis, and wrestling. Highlights of his prep career were quarterbacking the 1927 team to the state championship and capturing the state wrestling crown in the 128-pound bracket.

Following graduation, Coach Polizotto went to Kansas State University, where he was a regular for two years on the basketball team.

CONFERENCE CO-CHAMPIONSHIP

Coach came to Wallace in 1941, and that year assisted Head Football Coach Chuck Baer. He took over the head post from 1942-56, during which time he compiled a winning record and three successive Big Six titles (1943-45) and a conference co-championship in 1943.

Coach Polly has coached every sport except tennis and wrestling and his 1943 swim team won the conference title and placed second in the state. COACHED MR. VORWALD

Among those who have come under Don Polizotto's coaching influence are three current members of our administration and faculty: Principal William Vorwald and Coaches Bill Kukoy and George Rykovich. Others include former University of Oklahoma Football Coach Jim Mackenzie (deceased), Duke Basketball Coach Vic Bubas, and Julie Rykovich, professional football player.

Basketball was Coach Polly's ast endeavor, a sport he has



coached since 1958. Earlier this season he notched his 70th career victory.

LOOKING BACK

Coach calls his most pleasant memories as a coach "seeing



the boys who play for you make good." Reflecting further on his coaching days, Coach Polly had

this to say: "I've always wanted my boys to want to win, but also to want to gain the respect of their opponents, the officials, and the faculty."

"I never taught a boy to win by any questionable method. I've tried to teach the boys team play, responsibility, sportsmanship, the ability to think quickly and overcome fear, and the various physical skills which will benefit them all their lives."

Coach Polizotto will continue to teach at Lew Wallace next vear.

CURFEW

Gary Police Chief James Hilton recently announced that the city-wide curfew ordinance passed in 1964 will be enforced in an effort to cut down the crime rate. The ordinance provides for

a 10 p.m. curfew on weekdays and 11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays for all youths 17 and younger.

A penalty of a fine up to \$300 or up to 180 days in jail is set for the violators' parents, guardians, or operators of amusement establishments they visit.

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