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Nürnberg American High School

a U.S. Army dependents school formerly located in Fürth/Bavaria, Germany

1955-56 School Year

10th year of the school's existence

Graduating Class of 1956

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Excerpts from the *Trichter*, Vol. 10

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Marching Backward to 1955-56 School Year



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Important Events of 1955-56

- Aug. 25 – The last Soviet forces leave Austria.
- Nov. 5 – Racial segregation is forbidden on trains and buses in interstate commerce.
- Dec. 1 – Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to give up her seat on the bus to a white person, and the national civil rights movement begins.
- Dec. 5 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and other Black ministers unite to coordinate a Black boycott of city buses in Montgomery, AL.
- Dec. 31 – General Motors becomes the first U.S. corporation to make over \$1 billion in a year. [GM declares bankruptcy in June 2009]
- Feb. 22 – Elvis Presley enters music charts for first time with “Heartbreak Hotel.”
- Mar. 23 – Pakistan proclaimed an Islamic republic.
- June 14 – President Dwight D. Eisenhower authorizes the phrase “under God” to be added to the Pledge of Allegiance.
- June 29 – President Dwight D. Eisenhower signs the Federal Aid Highway Act, creating the Interstate Highway System.

NAHS SHOP CITED IN GERMAN PAPER

The newly organized N.H.S. industrial arts department was the subject of an article in the Furth “Frankische Tagespost” recently.

The writer was impressed by the variety of skills taught, the completeness of equipment, and the neatness of the craftshop. “Each file and every tool has its proper place . . . and **Mr. Hoyt**, the teacher, is mighty proud of what has been accomplished.”

In referring to the school as a whole, the writer said, “The American school is not only known for its modern buildings, but also for its equipment . . . and most of all for the cordial relationship between student and teacher.”

RESIDENCE HALL ADDITION INCREASES CAPACITY

The Residence Hall won’t be so crowded when the addition is finished in December. In this new dorm, there will be quarters for the new supervisors and two more lounges, making the rooms in the Residence Hall total 48 all together.

SLAVE SALE BRINGS JRS. “GELT,” SLAVES WORK

Mr. Roth, wearing an apron, **Mr. Rosin**, a Davy Crockett hat, and **Mr. Hendricks**, a beanie were just a few things we saw after the Slave Sale sponsored by the Junior Class.

The slaves were juniors, seniors, and teachers. Prices kept rising until **Coach Blackstead** brought in a grand sum of eight dollars.

Mr. Smith: Are you pursuing your studies faithfully?

Norman: Yes, and I’m always behind.

Hypochondriac – a person with a sick sense.

EAGLES CONFIDENT OF WIN TO STAY IN LEAGUE TUSSLE

The Nurnberg Eagles will meet the unbeaten, league leading Heidelberg Lions at Monteith Field Nov. 4.

The Eagles are also setting their hopes on the USAREUR championship, but need to win all their remaining games to stay in contention.

After playing the two strongest teams in the league – Munich and Kaiserslautern, tying Munich and being

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Frances Manbeck, editor

Glenn Hendricks, sponsor

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narrowly defeated by K-Town 16-13, the Eagles figure the worst part of the season is over. Team spirit is high because of the recent win over Wiesbaden 19-0.

[The team went on to win its remaining games, defeating Heidelberg, Frankfurt, and Stuttgart to finish in 2nd place in the 11-man football conference. – Ed]

CALL ISSUED FOR GIRL SCOUTS

Any high school girls who are really interested in Senior Girl Scouting are invited to join now by submitting their names to **Frances Manbeck**, **Ethel Walske**, or **Dorothy Keene**. If enough dorm girls are interested there will be formed a special patrol for them.

Issue of May 9, 1956

Don't forget to write

As many may testify, the Seniors have been talking incessantly about their forthcoming trip. They had originally planned to go to Venice, but because of a better presentation have changed their plans and are now going to spend more than three exciting days on the Italian Riviera.

The trip to the little town outside of Genoa will begin Friday evening, May 25 and last until Monday, May 28.

The chaperones are **Mr. Blackstead** and **Norah Speck**. The whole excursion, including meals, train fare, and tours will cost about \$32 each.

Senior money-making projects included ice cream sales, the school directory, plastic covers for the annual, a variety show, the senior-faculty basketball game, and cake sales in the Fuerth PX.

Editorials

Have you ever sat down and asked yourself how many different religions there are in the world? More than that, how many denominations? With all the different faiths that there are, you'd think the world would be a pretty nice place to live in, with everybody going to church at least once a week. Yet some Sundays have seen the local chapels almost empty. Why? Because a lot of people would rather stay in bed and recuperate from the night before or just be lazy. Are you one of the many guilty of this sin? If you are, do something about it quick! Go to church next Sunday and bring a friend if possible. If not, come by yourself. You'll be surprised how much better just one church service makes you feel. And get into the habit. Once you do, it's easy to keep it up.

See you in church next Sunday!

As we saw the school all decked out with the German-American Art Exhibit, we may wonder just why this sudden burst of activity. Or maybe we already know that it was German-American Friendship Week – the time set aside for an extra effort at understanding and meeting the German people.

"Oh," you say, "that's a fine idea." But is it only an idea? No, that's just the beginning. After the acceptance of the idea must come the willingness to see it through and get the most out of it. ...

"Great!" you say. But what are you doing with the opportunities -- the chance to meet another people that you will probably never get again? Must you answer, "Nothing"? I hope not. But if so, get on the ball. Be an American all the way. Remember, "When you make a friend, you make an ally."

Fire! Fire

NHS students proved to be efficient fire fighters when Mr. Smith's homeroom (214) extinguished a fire in a canvas topped, hay filled truck.

While returning from tours Monday, Mr. Smith's homeroom passed a flaming truck carrying two cows. After stopping the bus, the teachers and boys of the class ran to the rescue, heaping dirt and carrying hay out of the truck.

One of the cows was safely removed but the other was so fatally burned it had to be destroyed.

Perhaps the two people who did most in fighting the fire were **Dick Walterhouse** and **Mr. Smith**.

Have you heard this?

Well, well, do you suppose one Senior girl might have a date to the Prom, **Hank [Henry Reed?]**? Let's hope so.

We wonder why we see Casanova **[Benny] Saars** all slicked up lately. Have any suggestions?

Have you heard about the new pathway down the hall that is being built so that no one will be in danger when "Wiggles **[Vivian] Willcut** wiggles again?

WOW! Don't miss the new attraction, **Fellows!** She has arrived. Remember "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

Who's the "Dungaree Doll," **Al**

[Alfred Kline?]

Seems like a certain blond freshman has made quite a hit with a certain Junior. Right, **Larry [Shuman?]**?

Have you seen the new Senior? WOW! One more for the Prom!

BIG SEVEN MEETS

On Wed., April 26 a dinner meeting of the big seven — Mr. Robertshire Twadell, Mr. Pinkworth Burns, Mr. Richardsby Arnold, Mr. Hankwill Reed, Mr. Tedwill Brostrom, Mr. Benzidine Covington III, and Mr. Alfredus Kline—

took place in the high school cafeteria.

The distinguished gentlemen had tablecloths, candelabras, cups, and real plates. Quote Mr. Covington: "This meeting is for the good of the people (the lower class that is) to raise the social level."

After the fifth course Headwaiter Michael Leseney brought in Master James Griffes. This well known and accomplished violinist serenaded them.

Thereupon the waiter, by request, ejected the lowly press.

20 graduate in the Class of 1956

Student Body President



Kent Harrison*

Senior Class President



Henry Reed

Prom Queen



Berta Williams

Valedictorian



Frances Manbeck

Dennis Crumley
William Davis
Dana Due
William Due, Jr.
Norman Embree
Michael Gaspar
Dona Griffith
Jose Hernandez
Nancy Hett
Randolph Kulp
Karen Marquis
Robert Morey

Benny Saars
Roger Upton
Carole White
Janet Young
Nancy Hett*
Ronald Emmons*
Darrel Freeman*
Donald Williams*
Barbara Gibbs*
Rosemarie Ermini*
Charles Myers*
Ellery Robertson*

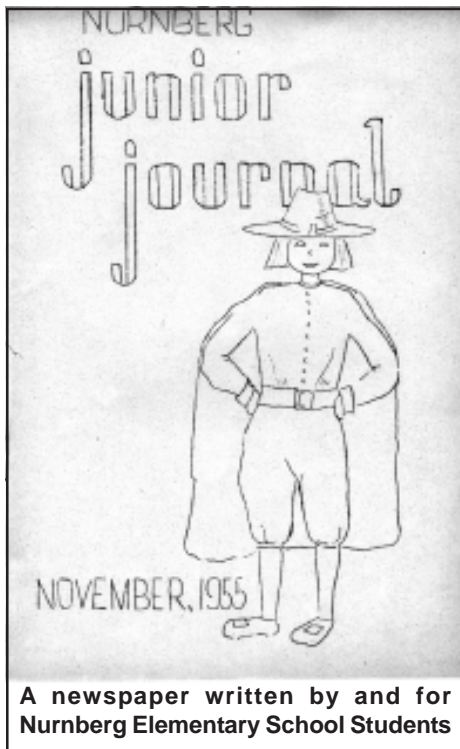
Salutatorian



Robert Twaddell

*Seniors that did not graduate with the class

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NEWS AROUND THE SCHOOL

JUNIOR RED CROSS 100%

The Junior Red Cross collected \$63.10 in the recent membership drive. We had one hundred per cent membership. All of the classes, starting from the Kindergarten through the sixth grade gave to the Junior Red Cross. ...

Renee DeVall

HAVE YOU MET ---?? Captain O'Connell

Captain O'Connell is our new School Officer. Do you know what that means? She is the one who has charge of all of our books and supplies, the furniture we use here, and she has to see about our transportation to and from school. She also has charge of the cafeteria – which means all of your meals and all of the people who work there.

Captain O'Connell comes from the East Coast of the United States. Her

home is in Lowell, Mass., which is about 28 miles north of Boston, near where Paul Revere made his famous ride.

We are very happy to have Captain O'Connell here, and hope that she enjoys it.

Shirley Simmons

Fifth Graders

On November 8th Miss Beer's class is going to Gossweinstein [a village 64 kilometers northeast of Nürnberg], which has an old castle and church. They will be gone all day.

One day last week a German girl, Inge, came to our room. She joined our Halloween party. Then she helped clean up. She is a very friendly girl. She is about 13 years old.

I met Inge at the movies. We were both lost. Inge's girl friend told her the way home. Inge stayed with me a few days. She speaks good English.

When the class did arithmetic Inge did some, too, but did not make some of the numbers the same way we did.

The whole class is glad she came and I am too. When we go on our tour next week Inge is going along. We hope she can come again.

Sharon Getchel

Blitz

Blitz is a white dog. He likes to play with me. He likes to play with his ball, and he likes to play with my daddy. He always goes to the door when someone rings the bell.

One day we locked Blitz up, but he did not want to stay in my room so he chewed up my book! And he likes to chew up my daddy's hat.

He always chases bees, and sometimes he eats them.

Barbara Wood

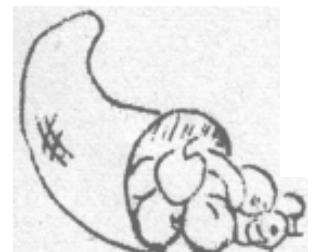
Miss Bell's 2nd Grade

EDITORIAL

It's November now, the season of Thanksgiving. We all have much to be

thankful for. We should be thankful for the opportunity to live in Germany and see for ourselves how the people live. We should be thankful for our nice school and our teachers. We should be thankful for the chance to learn (or try to) the German language. We should be thankful for the opportunity many of us have had to travel to other countries and learn still more about the world. I know that I am thankful for all of these things.

Janet Hutchins



Thanksgiving

The frost is on the pumpkin,
The fields are golden brown.
It's getting Thanksgiving time,
All over the town.

The harvest time is nearing,
The corn is ripe and ready.
The farmers are hiring harvesters,
Some part-time and some steady.

So, get ready! Get ready!
For it's Thanksgiving Day.
Give thanks, give thanks,
In a Thanks giving way.

Victoria Reed

Miss Beer's 5th Grade

FIELD TRIPS

Miss Elieff's, Miss Henderson's, and Miss Wiler's first graders visited the Nürnberg Tiergarten.

Miss Nameth's 2nd grade class went to the Nürnberg Coca Cola plant.

Miss Caulfield's second graders visited the Fürth fire station.

Miss White's 3rd grade class went on a tour of the Nürnberg castle and dungeons. They enjoyed the torture chamber.

Miss Westerman's fifth graders visited the Nürnberg airport.