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Graduating Class of 1957

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Marching Backward to 1956-57 School Year



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Excerpts from the

Trichter

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Mr. Werner Rosin, advisor
[4 issues extant, Nov. - May]

Important Events of 1956-57

- Aug. 17 – West Germany bans the Communist Party of Germany.
- Oct. 23 – The Hungarian revolution breaks out against the pro-Soviet government. Hungary attempts to leave the Warsaw Pact. Oct. 26 – Red Army troops invade Hungary. Nov. 4 – More Soviet troops invade Hungary to crush revolt. Thousands are killed, more are wounded, and nearly a quarter million leave the country.
- Having taken control of the Suez Canal, Egypt precipitates Suez Crisis: Oct. 29 – Israel invades the Sinai Peninsula and pushes Egyptian forces back toward the Canal. Nov. 5 – The United Kingdom and France invade to force the reopening of the Suez Canal. U.S. pressure forces cease-fire. Canal reopened in Apr., 1957.
- Nov. 6 – Republican incumbent Dwight D. Eisenhower defeats Democrat challenger Adlai E. Stevenson in rematch.
- Nov. 13 – The United States Supreme Court declares Alabama and Montgomery, Alabama, laws requiring segregated buses illegal, thus ending the Montgomery Bus Boycott.
- Jan. 5 – Eisenhower Doctrine calls for aid to Mideast countries which resist armed aggression from Communist-controlled nations.
- Mar. 7 – The United States Congress approves the Eisenhower Doctrine.

ROYALTY PARADES

During the half of the Nurnberg-Frankfurt game, Homecoming Queen **Chickie Mazares**, Honorary Queen **Norah Speck**, and Princesses **Shirley Wilkerson** and **Ursula Colandrea** made their grand entrance. The queen and attendants were assisted from the Thunderbird and the blue convertible by co-captains **Tony Ubalde** and **Gary Fry**. The co-captains presented the royal court with flowers.

The honorary queen, **Norah Speck**, is the office secretary.

DRIVE OPENS WITH ASSEMBLY

Kicking off a one hundred per cent membership drive, the American Junior Red Cross Club sponsored an assembly during activity period at the Community Theater on Nov. 14. **Gary Fry**, president of the club, presided.... Fry, relating

personal benefits received from Junior Red Cross work, reported on his summer trip to the States as USAREUR representative. **Diane Hoyt** followed with a report on the leadership camp at Chiemsee. ...

SADIE HAWKINS DAY

“Ketch a kritic by the toe; if he hollers, don’t let go” was the cry heard around NHS before the big day of the Sadie Hawkins race. ...

Patches of various shapes, sizes, and colors were seen pinned on all the girls. In the pockets of their levis, which the girls were allowed to wear to provide easier running, was the matching patch that would “brand” the man they caught “theirs” for the rest of the day and the dance that night.

There was an air of excitement as the ... boys lined up in one corner of the

gym and the girls a few feet in back of them. Various obstacles were set up which the boys had to go through, over, and under. In true Dog Patch fashion the girls could go around the obstacles.

Whistle one blew and the boys were off. The second whistle blew and then the race was on, the girls fighting, tugging, and pulling in order to get the guy they were after. It wasn’t long until couples were leaving the finish line. The girl and boy now had on the matching patches. All the girls seemed quite happy, but the boys were rubbing bruises and scratches incurred by fingernails and obstacles.

STOMPIN’ AT NHS

The long awaited “Sadie Hawkins Dance,” sponsored by the junior class, began by featuring **Tex Ward** and his hillbilly band composed of **Bruce Starks**, **Howard Chipman**, **Leroy Osburn**, and **Larry Maberry**.

Each girl had to pay double her waist size to get into the dance.

After the couples had formed a line with boys on one side and girls on the other, the mystery of “Marryin Sam” was revealed; **Mr. [Vernon] Smith**, principal, performed the solemn rites.

Refreshments included “Kickapoo Joy Juice.”

Prizes of homemade cakes were awarded to **Midge Kulp** for the most original costume, **Tex Ward** for the funniest, **Larry Maberry** for the ugliest, and **Alice Potwin** for the most in character.

THE TOP POPS AROUND NHS

1. "Three Little Words" – used often in class – "I don't know."
2. "Just a Walking in the Rain" – anywhere in Germany.
3. "Don't be Cruel" – tardy bell, please don't ring.
4. "I Want You, I Need You, I Love You" – "A" on report card.
5. "Heaven on Earth" – no Wednesday night homework.

BELL SEARCH ENDS!

After a long search, the age-old Victory Bell of Nurnberg High has been found. Discovered by **Miss [Lois] Massie** and the cheerleaders, the bell will now be able to toll after NHS's victories. The bell is the original victory bell of Nurnberg, but it has been lost for a number of years. It was decided to keep the hiding place of the bell a secret.

SCOUTS COOPERATE

Boy Scout Troop 24 of Furth played host at a concert presented by a German Troop Oct. 24. The hour program featured the Eiffeltreck Boy's Band, consisting of approximately 20 boys. The youngest member, three years old, is the son of the band leader, Mr. Pinsel,

Included in the program were the American and German national anthems and German folk songs.

SLEUTH SOLVES 'CAGEY CAPERS'

I saw them sneak up the stairs, making sure that no one detected their illegal movement. They weren't aware of the time as they approached Room 202. The one to the left slipped a key out of her pocket and placed it in the keyhole and turned the key. The door opened and they stepped quietly into the room. The one to the right had a brown paper bag, which she guarded closely. They walked toward the two cages. The brown bag was opened and out came apples, carrots, lettuce, and tomatoes. The cage doors were opened and into the right cage went the best food and into the left cage went the food that wasn't as nutritious.

The reason for their suspicious movements? **Meredith Mitchell** and **Peggy Metcalfe** are caring for Mr. and Mrs. Guinea and Mr. and Mrs. Pig in Room 202 as a project in **Mrs. [Bettye] Rosin's** science class. Mr. and Mrs. Guinea are on a regular diet, and Mr. and Mrs. Pig are on a deficiency diet. The object of the experiment is to show students the advantages of a proper diet.



GREEN AND WHITE TO WAVE AGAIN

On the afternoon of the Wiesbaden game the NHS victory flag was proudly hanging below the American flag in front of the school. Sunday morning the flag had disappeared.

Mrs. Rosin, the adviser of the National Honor Society, called the members together to make arrangements for a new flag. ...

... When Nurnberg beats Munich on Nov. 30, NHS will again have a victory flag proudly flying.

STUDENTS INVESTIGATE NURNBERG

"Anyone for the pencil factory, the water works, or the art museum?" was the inquiry heard around NHS when home room teachers announced that the students would be taking tours Nov. 9.

The tours, centered around Nurnberg, proved quite informative. In

addition to the above places, groups of students went to the gas works and the police station while others went on the cultural tour of Nurnberg.

HOW 'BOUT THAT

Did you know?

There are 208 high school students.
There are 26 steps from the main foyer to the second floor.

There are 425 minutes in one school day.

The cafeteria serves 450 meals per day.

There are 4146 books in the NHS library.

There are 27 seniors, 39 juniors, 63 sophomores, and 73 freshmen in school.

There are 71 kids living in the dorm.

There are 23 teachers in the high school.

FRY MAKES ALL-USAREUR

Congratulations are extended to **Gary Fry**, Nurnberg's fine fullback and co-captain, for his position on the All-USAREUR team.

Gary was selected for this honor from the nominees of all the USAREUR schools. He was high point man in the Nurnberg backfield and also proved himself in defensive play.

Nurnberg is especially proud of Gary's selection since this is the first year that an official All-USAREUR team has been selected.

FINAL

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Kaiserslautern	6	0	1.000
Frankfurt	5	1	.750
Munich	4	2	.667
Stuttgart	3	3	.500
Nurnberg	2	4	.333
Wiesbaden	1	5	.200
Heidelberg	0	6	.000

NHS	Opponent	
25	Munich	26
13	Kaiserslautern	31
25	Wiesbaden	13
6	Heidelberg	0
0	Frankfurt	19
7	Stuttgart	33



A group of children in the long parade proudly carry their self-made colored lanterns.



Laternenzug zu alten Zinnen

(Lantern Parade to the old Battlements)

Photos from *Nürnberg Nachrichten*, Dec. 11, 1959

The great city became on this evening entirely still as 1500 children carried their lights to the historic castle.

CHILDREN LIGHT NURNBERG

The parade of lanterns is an old custom in the city of Nurnberg. On the evening of December 14, all of the city's lights were extinguished as 1500 children began their procession from the city wall, past the Christkindlesmarkt, and up the

hill to the Castle as recorded music wafted through the stillness. A manger on an incline below the Castle was illuminated for the tableaux of the Nativity story. Appropriate German Christmas carols were sung to accompany each

beautiful and impressive scene.

After the completion of the tableaux the river of lights began to flow again as the children, carrying their lanterns, wended their way down the hill from the Castle and the manger. Nurnberg again had presented one of its lovely traditions.

LET'S RIP IT UP

The Flunkers' Ball, the sophomore contribution to the social whirl around NHS, proved to be just the place for teachers and students to forgive and forget about [semester] exams. ... The skillfully decorated cafeteria lent a pleasant cozy atmosphere.

Entertainment was provided by the Jordan sisters, Lynda and Annette.

Howard Chipman and Pat McCarroll won the bop contest, with Jo Ann Walker and Pete Walters running a close second.

To be sure, every one at the dance was not a flunker!

HOLLYWOOD COMES TO NURNBERG

On March 28 a little bit of Hollywood invaded Nurnberg when Miss Olivia De Haviland arrived. Miss De Haviland came to Nurnberg to give the awards to winners of the SACOM talent show.

A press conference in honor of Miss De Haviland was held at the U.S. Army Hotel.

After the general conference, personal interviews started. Miss De Haviland gave an interview to two Germans and to **Jim Malone** and **Joanne Powhida**. This interview was heard on "Teen Time" on April 6. [See Joanne's report on the interview and her experiences on "Teen Time" in the Memoirs, Memorabilia file.—Archivist]

P.T.A. HOLDS RAFFLE

May 15 is the deadline! After that, no more tickets will be sold for the Nurnberg Sub-Area Parents and

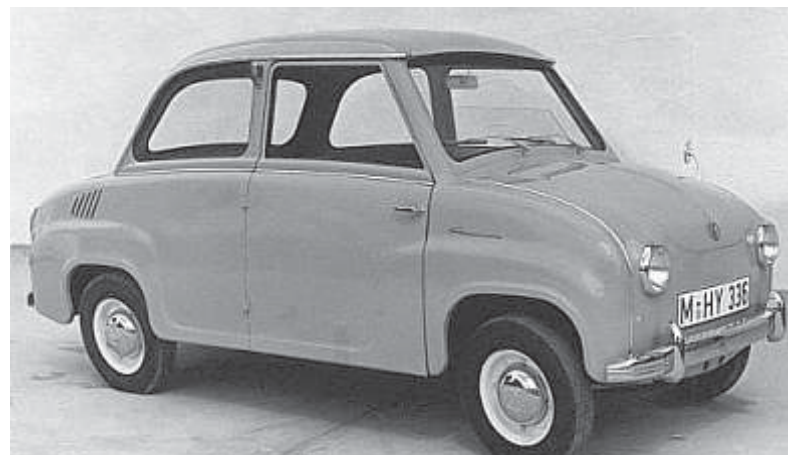
Teachers Association raffle. Tickets are only 50 cents each.

And what prizes! The first prize is a **1957 sports model GOGGOMOBIL**; second prize is a radio-phonograph console; third prize is a Retina III-C camera. ...

Proceeds from the raffle go to support the Nurnberg American School activities.

"Let's Go Dutch"

A dance in the setting of a windmill and tulips climaxed the "Dutch Treet



[Goggomobil was a series of micro-cars produced in Bavaria after World War II from 1954 until 1969—Internet photo]

Week -- it wasn't quite "Dutch treat"-- sponsored by the senior class in March.

"Dutch Treat" began with the girls buying licenses and Dutch shoes. The permits required the girls to carry the boys' books on Tuesday and the boys to carry the girls' books on Wednesday. Thursday, the last day, was going-steady day. The girl pinned a Dutch shoe on her choice so that no boy could go steady with more than one girl.

On Wednesday night a dance was held in the cafeteria with girls paying the boys' admissions. During intermission, **Floyd Plowman**, master of ceremonies, introduced the three acts. **Jim Malone** entertained with "Just One of Those Things," **Betty Shade** and **Mike King** did the Charleston, and the **Jordan sisters** sang in their close-harmony style.

Eagle Basketball Scores

NHS 32	Munich 53
NHS 33	Kaiserslautern 79
NHS 44	Wiesbaden 57
NHS 53	Augsburg 45
	(class B school)
NHS 43	Heidelberg 60
NHS 35	Frankfurt 79
NHS 34	Stuttgart 39
NHS 30	Munich 65
NHS 40	Kaiserslautern 56
NHS 24	Stuttgart 55
NHS 29	Wiesbaden 53
NHS 40	Heidelberg 45
NHS 25	Frankfurt 49
Tournament	
NHS 32	Frankfurt 60
NHS 33	Heidelberg 43
1 Win, 14 Losses	

CAREER DAY COMES TO NURNBERG

In the major address for Career Day on April 12, **Dr. Perry**, resident dean of the University of Maryland in Munich, offered these maxims as advice: "An ounce of sincerity is worth a pound of cleverness. The best excuse in the world is not a substitute for accomplishment. All's well that ends well." Dr. Perry continued by giving advice on who should go to college.

With Dr. Perry on the speaker's platform were **Gary Fry**, the president of the Student Council, and **Mr. V.W. Smith**, principal.

Following Dr. Perry's presentation and the general assembly, students proceeded to meetings with the 32 speakers. Each student chose four career conferences to attend.

[GETTING SOCIAL SITUATIONS RIGHT]

Social Situation

You are just running across the field heading for the Shopping Center when you run into **Mr. [Robert] Nicolai**.

Wrong: Tell him the gym is on fire and you are running for your life.

Right: Tell him you are out for track and are trying to keep in shape.

Social Situation

You have left German class without permission and upon returning, you find **Herr Walter [Tradowsky]** behind you.

Wrong: Open your German book and pray he did not see you.

Right: Fall on your knees and tell him you are prepared to take 20 Schläge. (Might as well face it, you can't escape)

Social Situation

You have just bitten into a delicious candy bar during fourth hour chemistry class when you notice that **Mrs. Rosin** has been watching you.

Wrong: Tell her you are too hungry to wait for your lunch hour so you are sustaining your energy.

Right: Tell her it is something you made by mixing the contents of some of the test tubes and offer a sample to her.

TOP POPS AROUND NHS

Here are the finals from the ballots cast for NHS's favorite singers and songs. Grab chairs and start putting on Nurnberg's --

TOP TEN PLATTERS

1. Young Love
2. Love Me

3. Friendly Persuasion
4. Love Me Tender
5. Hound Dog
6. Garden of Eden
7. Rip It Up
8. Banana Boat Song
9. Blueberry Hill
10. A Rose and a Baby Ruth

TOP TEN SINGERS

1. Elvis Presley
2. Pat Boone
3. Sunny James
4. Harry Belafonte
5. The Platters
6. Fats Domino
7. Nervous Norvick
8. Bill Haley
9. Guy Mitchell
10. Eddie Fisher

RUSSIAN TOP TUNES

1. Let's Be Cruel
2. Friendly Persecution
3. Everything You Have Is Ours
4. Siberian Salt Mines
5. On the Street Where You Live, We Have Your House Watched
6. Red Suede Shoes
7. After the Lights Go Down Low, We'll Sneak over the Border!

Sequel to 'The Moonlight Gambler'

Heroes come in all forms -- large and small, tall and short, and with all colors of hair and eyes. They are found in every walk of life. Our hero is a handsome, devastating, dashing, daring, debonair, and "ad nauseam" hero. He also is a teacher -- a teacher who helps us spell correctly, who is always around when we use the wrong verb form or when we forget who wrote "The Ring."

Our hero is schizophrenic type hero. He is . . . Hero and English teacher. But as far as heroes go he is a normal, everyday "Up, Up, and Away" hero-teacher.

His day starts early, early in the morning when he finishes correcting senior term papers and stumbles to bed at 4:30.

Three hours later the alarm sounds

its merry, melodious clanking. (Note – same effect can be produced by clanking chains near typanum [sic])

After mumbling the magic word, GMSSTICGU, he bounces out of bed. (Note – GMSSTICGU is an ancient word meaning, Give-me-strength-so-that-I-can-get-up.)

Having dressed, washed, shaved, and eaten, he picks up his papers and leaves for school.

Arriving at the school, he climbs out of his ivory and gold Ford Thunderbird. He then heads for the front door. As he walks through the halls he is quite unaware of what he does to the female population. He might be mistaken for a happy bachelor at peace with the world. But deep down he is troubled by the magnitude of the job. ...

One feminine beauty in describing him said: “Well, you’ve seen pictures of Tab Hunter, Elvis Presley, Gregory, Peck, Captain Marvel? He doesn’t look at all like them, but he’s in the same category.”

In classes the girls sigh all the more. Most of them flunk all of the tests. One girl when asked why she did so poorly in class told the principal that it was utterly impossible to think when he was around.

The principal explained the situation to our hero and together they thought of ways to solve the problem. One by one, each idea was rejected until they became desperate. The principal suggested marriage. “Never!” shouts our hero. “I won’t be trapped.” But he is. And now while our English teacher reads Keats to his wife, she explains the chemical forces which pass from lover to lover.

That stopped the inattention in class. Only once in a while does our English teacher catch the gleam in some wistful eye.

[Bettye Reed, chemistry teacher, and Werner Rosin, English teacher, were married April 2, 1956 – Archivist]

PROM PREPARATIONS BEGIN

The home rooms of **Mrs. Rosin** and **Mr. Minasian** have gotten the “ball rolling” for the annual Junior-Senior Prom to be held May 24 in the Furth-Nurnberg Kalb Club.

Music for dancing will be played by the 3rd A.C. band.

Howard Chipman, president of the junior class, and **Ted Brostrom**, vice president, are over-all chairmen for the awaited event.

NOSE-ING IN NURNBERG

The honorary title of “Brain” is bestowed upon **Dale Ward** by **Herr**

Walter for five perfect marks on five German tests.

Tom Reeder rates high as a sharp dresser in the junior class.

Startling resemblance between freshman **Bill Warmouth** and sophomore **Vesa Alakulppi**. Some relation way back, boys? Both dolls in this gal’s opinion.

We’ve some early risers in the Dorm. **Teddy Brostrom** has seen the sun several mornings—gets up at 3:00 a.m.—doing American history.

Mike King has the most devilish smile. Take a gander at it sometime.

Diane Hoyt has the expensive distinction of owning eight cashmere sweaters.

Batman must have turned in his membership card; he’s being called **Floyd** [Plowman] again. Are the students going to let a fine old tradition die?

A poll in the school shows Elvis’ “Love Me Tender” rates rea-l-l low.

Wonder if **Bill Eachen** would develop an insecurity complex if someone separated him from the comforting effects of his yellow muffler.

27 TO GRADUATE JUNE 5

Janet Glenn is the valedictorian and **John Wooldridge** is the salutatorian of the class of 1957.

Twenty-seven seniors will graduate June 5 in the Community Theater:

THE RAIDER'S CRY

Nurnberg American Youth Activities

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"OUR HIT PARADE"

The top tunes of the students in Nurnberg for the last few weeks hasn't changed much. One of the new comers to the Parade is by Sonny James & it's nothing else than "Young Love." This tune is also Number 1 on the Hillbilly and also the popular hit parade in the states, as reported from the state of "TEXAS".

"Canadian Sunset" is also voted as one of the most popular here in Nurnberg, along with "The Green Door" by Jim Lowe. Theres always "Friendly Persuasion" by none other than Pat Boone.

"Ole Elvis the Pelvis" has one of his latest on top also, of course "Love Me Tender." While "Don't be Cruel" is going down, another by Elvis is up and comming, it's "Love Me".

I guess you've heard that the Platters have been nominated as the best Rhythim and blues group, with their "Heaven and Earth" and "My Prayer". Both of which are still favorite around Nunrberg.

Leave the name of your favorite platter at the AYC or give it too me at school.

Bye. Shirley Wilkerson

ADVICE COLUMN

Need advice in solving your problems? Submit these problems o the ATA sugges-tion box and await your answers which will appear in the very next issue of the Raiders Cry. If pre-ferred use code name.

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CAN YOU IMAGINE?

Fred Lunn: Attending school a full week?
Diane Hoyt: With long black hair
Alice Potwun: Fat
Ted Brostrom: 4 feet tall
Floyd Plowman: Being silent for 5 whole minutes
Linda Jordan: With a "Joisey'accent
Mr. Minasian: As a cheer-leader
Shirley Wilkerson: Not shouting at a game
N.H.S.. Chorus: Without Mrs.Bullock

IDEAL N.H.S. BOY

Hair - - -Floyd Plowman
Eyes - - -Dick Severson
Nose- - - Vesa Alakulppi
Smile - - Mike Florek
Build - - Bill Eachen
Manners - George Parish
Personality - Rocky Kulp
Dancer - -Richard Arnold
Most Talented- Jim Malone
Neatest Dresser -Doug Moncrief
Smartest- -John Woolridge
Cut-up - -Terry Jorgensen

IDEAL N.H.S. GIRL

Hair - - -Monika Duty
Eyes - - Carolyn Dobkins
Nose - - Lore Walters
Smile - - Pat McCarroll
Figure - -Barbara Stearns
Complexion - -Deanna Long
Manners --Marion Williams
Dancer- Abeille LaFontaine
Most Talented-Nonie Tilley
Neatest Dresser- Mary Primo
Smartest - - Ethel Walske
Personality-Chickie Mazares

CRAFT SHOP & LIBRARY

Located on the third floor, is the Craft Shop, run by Mrs. Strauss, and the Library. The Craft Shop, Is equipped with paint, paper, everything imaginable, just waiting for you to come up and try them out. In the Library, youil find books galore! They can be checked out at the office. Why don't you drop in and amuse yourself??

MARY JANE MYERS

RAIDERS'S TAKE STRAUBING

Raiders knocked off Straubing last Sat to stay in 1st place undefeated for the season 49-33.

It was a very good played game by both teams except for a little bit of unsport-menthip on Straubing's part. The Raiders started out good on an 8-0 lead, and also at the end of the 1st quearter 18-6. In the second quarter, Nurnberg had the Ponicorns pinned down good by the splendid playing of Joe Turcek, who was hitting points in this game left and right. The 1st half of the game ended 28-16 on Jose Collazo's last second point.

The 2nd half started with the 1st five again to gain a larger margin of points between the 2 teams. At the beginning of the 4 quarter was the end of the game for Mike Florek, who had 5 fouls following came Mike Burns, also 5 fouls.

Joe Turcek was high scorer for Nurnberg with 14. Mike Florek and Mike Burns both with 10 and Jose Callazo with 8.