

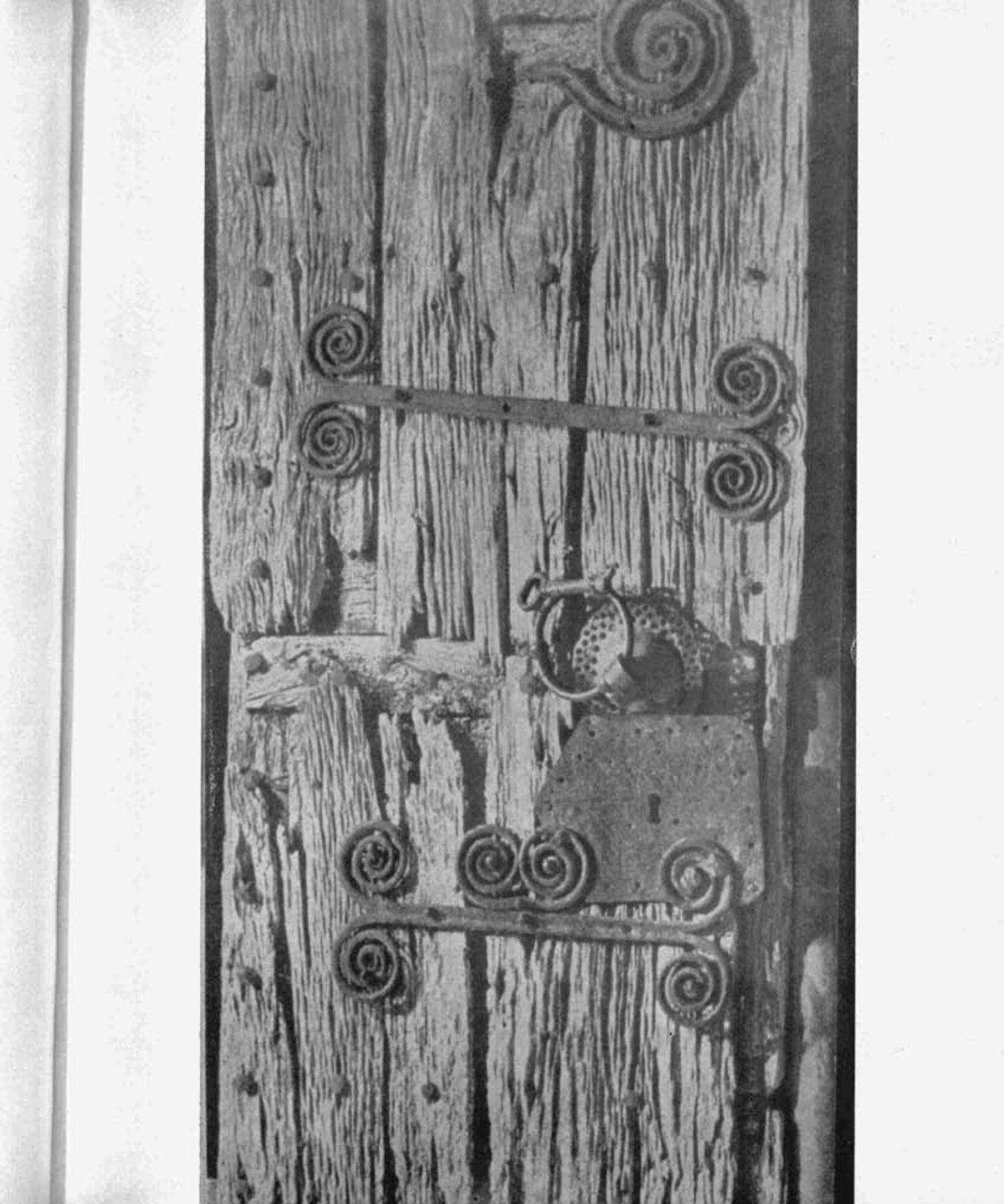


ORLEANS AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL

THE CITY OF ORLEANS has had a long and unusual history. When Jeanne d'Arc liberated Orleans from the English in 1429, the town was already well established, for the first person to inhabit the city was Julius Caesar. He, with Mark Antony, set up camp on the banks of the Loire in 22 B. C. Remains of that ancient, faraway past are still to be found; but now, signs of a different sort are appearing — those of modern Americanism. When the local townspeople stare, it is because they see a rambunctious group of American teenagers descending from a crowded school bus, carrying books, and chattering loudly.

## FORWARD

The modernity which is so much in contrast in Orleans can also be seen in our school, which was founded in 1952 with one class of freshmen and held in one room of an ancient chateau. In 1953 another class was added, for the freshmen had been promoted to sophomores. During these years we who are now seniors were in a class which was one year more advanced than those for which there were provisions in Orleans. But 1954 was a very unusual year because the precedent of adding one class each year was dropped and two classes were added — the junior and senior. With these additions and a real beginning, we hope that our school will add some part to the glorious history of our adopted city.





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Commanding General  
USAREUR Communications Zone



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Commanding Officer  
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PATRICIA CRALLE  
President

RONALD GRAVES  
Vice-President

MARGARET HAYER  
Secretary

NANCY PAFFORD  
Treasurer

THE CLASS OF '55 has a unique history. Orleans could not boast a high school when we were freshmen. We were scattered from Florida to California and little dreamed that we were destined to meet in France. Then, as sophomores, six of us were brought together when we took correspondence courses from the University of Nebraska. Far from being ordinary sophomores, we were the "seniors" of Orleans.

We were seen at the school on Tuesdays only, when the general hue and cry was "The sophomores are coming in today!" There were innumerable rumors about where we would be sent for the next year. First we heard that it would be Kaiserslautern, then Heidelberg, and then — Chateauroux. The last proved to be a reality.

We have always been a proud and industrious class, and as juniors in Chateauroux we made our mark in every phase of that school's life. We contributed two class officers, two Student Council officers, and the management of the school newspaper. The Cupid's Ball, contests, raffles, and the Junior-Senior Prom carried the trade-mark "Sponsored by the Junior Class."

That was a year that the teachers and dorm supervisors will not forget easily, and as much as we

hated to leave, we looked forward to the coming year — in Orleans.

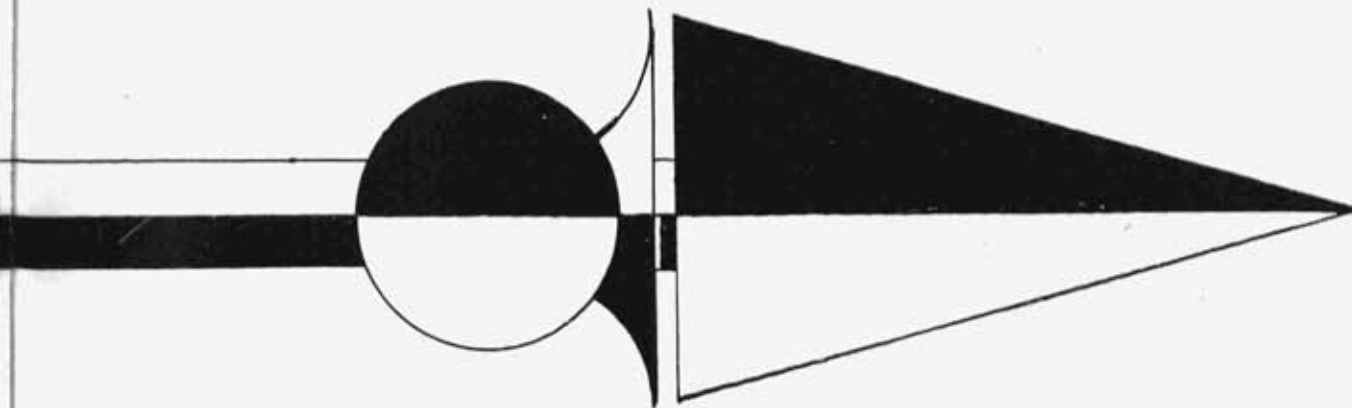
Our senior year was a whirlwind of activity. The annual, rings, class trip, senior privileges, and the necessity of raising money seemed to face us all at once. Frantic letters between Indianapolis and Orleans resulted in our securing an admirable ring. The annual, accomplished in periods of frantic activity, was finally sent to press.

A teachers' slave sale and the raffling of a camera helped to provide funds for our class trip. Our destination (although a few fans of Spain were disappointed) was finally decided upon as London.

Senior privileges presented the biggest unsolved problem. Everytime we thought of a possibility, someone had an objection. Finally, disillusionment set in and we seemed resigned to the fate of never having any senior privileges.

In the spring, everyone began looking to the future. Those fated letters from various colleges seemed never to come with the fatal news, and then — graduation loomed ahead.

When we had a chance to catch our breath, we all realized how fast the last four years had flown, how exciting they had been, and how they were to end in an inexplicable sadness.



## SENIORS



JOHN PAUL COLGAN  
*Brooklyn, New York*



PATRICIA SANFORD CRALLE  
*Fort G. G. Meade, Maryland*



JOEL BERNARD DINNAUER  
*Milwaukee, Wisconsin*



JOHN RICHARD FRITH  
*Decatur, Georgia*



THOMAS S. GEALTA  
*Ogden, Utah*



RONALD GRAVES  
*Blackstone, Virginia*



MARGARET HAYER  
*Washington, D. C.*



BEBEE TOWNSEND JACOBY  
*Indianapolis, Indiana*



ROBERTA K. JONES  
*Macon, Georgia*



MARILYN RUTH  
LANDMESSER  
*Mitbell, South Dakota*



PATRICIA ANN LEO  
*Long Island, New York*



BARBARA ANNE MEDLEN  
*Bonham, Texas*



EDMOND J. NOGAR, JR.  
*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*



NANCY CARROLL PAFFORD  
*Jacksonville, Florida*

See thou character. Give thy thoughts no tongue.  
Nor any unproportion'd thought his act.  
Be thou familiar, but by no means vulgar:  
The friends thou hast, and their adoption tried,  
Grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel;  
But do not dull thy palm with entertainment  
Of each new-hatch'd, unfledg'd comrade. Beware  
Of entrance to a quarrel; but, being in,  
Bear't that th' opposed may beware of thee.  
Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice:  
Take each man's censure, but reserve thy judgment.  
Costly thy habit as thy purse can buy,  
But not express'd in fancy; rich, not gaudy:  
For the apparel oft proclaims the man.  
Neither a borrower nor a lender be;  
For a loan oft loses both itself and friend,  
And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.  
This above all: to thine own self be true;  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou canst not then be false to any man.

POLONIUS'  
ADVICE TO LAERTES  
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

# SENIOR DIRECTORY

## JOHN PAUL COLGAN

Track, Basketball Manager, Lettermen's Club, Annual Staff, Science Club, Glee Club, Newspaper Staff

## PATRICIA SANFORD CRALLE

Senior Class President, Student Council Representative, Dormitory Secretary-Treasurer, G. A. A., Substitute Cheerleader, Tennis Team Captain, Newspaper Staff, Pep Club, Annual Staff, Glee Club, Prom Committee, U.N. Club, Latin Club, Math Club

## JOEL BERNARD DINNAUER

Football, Track, Dramatics Club, Glee Club, Annual Staff, Lettermen's Club, Newspaper Staff

## JOHN RICHARD FRITH

Football, Track, Football Manager, Sergeants' Club, French Club

## THOMAS S. GEALTA

Annual Lay-out Editor, Crafts Club President, Band, Student Council Representative, Newspaper Staff, Freshman Class President, Sophomore Class Vice-President, Science Club President, Ski Club, Debate Club, Dramatics

## RONALD GRAVES

Senior Class Vice-President, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Track, 4-H Club, Science Club, Student Council Representative, Band, Photo Club, Lettermen's Club, Junior Class Vice-President, Dormitory Vice-President, Annual Photography Editor

## MARGARET HAYER

Senior Class Secretary, Glee Club, Home Economics Club, Art Club, Prom Committee, Dormitory Secretary, Pep Club President

## BEBEE TOWNSEND JACOBY

Student Council Representative, Annual Staff, Newspaper Staff, Cheerleader Captain, Pep Club, Glee Club, Prom Committee

## ROBERTA K. JONES

Annual Editor-in-chief, Newspaper Staff, Student Council Representative, Pep Club, Glee Club, Dramatics Club, J. V. Cheerleader, Prom Committee, Dorm Officer

## MARILYN RUTH LANDMESSER

Cheerleader, Annual Staff, Pep Club, Glee Club, G. A. A., Bowling Team, Basketball, Chorus

## PATRICIA ANN LEO

Newspaper Staff, Cheerleader, Dramatics Club, Prom Committee, Junior Class Secretary-Treasurer, Annual Staff, Student Council Representative, Pep Club

## BARBARA ANNE MEDLEN

G. A. A., Tri Hi Y, Newspaper Staff, J. V. Cheerleader, Annual Staff, Dramatics Club, Speech Club, Tennis Team, Basketball, Badminton, F. H. A., League Fellowship, Glee Club, Pep Club, Science Club, Prom Committee

## EDMOND J. NOGAR, JR.

Basketball, Track, Football, Baseball, Freshman Class President, Debate Club, Dramatics Club, Glee Club, Student Council President, Dormitory Treasurer, Newspaper Staff, Annual Sports Editor, Franko-American Representative, Lettermen's Club

## NANCY CARROLL PAFFORD

Senior Class Treasurer, Student Council Treasurer and Secretary, Newspaper Editor, Annual Literary Editor, Cheerleader Captain, Glee Club Vice-President, Dormitory President, Choristers, Science Club, Prom Committee, Student Court Judge, Pep Club, Twirling.



## JUNIORS

THE RECORD of the amount of work accomplished by the Class of '56 is truly enviable and will be hard to match by those following them.

A weekly newspaper, rare in American schools in Europe, was published every Friday. A myriad of money-making ideas furnished the finances for the Junior-Senior Prom. The general slogan of the class for months was "We have to make more money than the seniors."

All the class looked forward to what we hope will be our last year in high school; at long last, we feel that we will be able to relax a little from the driving pace which we set for our most difficult of all school years thus far — the junior year.



PHYLLIS PLAFORD   FRANK PARTLOW   DONNA MCKAY   DAVID BILLING  
President   Vice-President   Secretary   Treasurer



Luciano Amuran  
 David Billing  
 Pope Britt  
 Diane Gargurevich  
 Marie Hromadka

Robert Insko  
 Donna McKay  
 Sanford Morrissy  
 Don Morton  
 Albert Nunn

Frank Partlow  
 Jacqueline Patterson  
 Phyllis Plaford  
 Dorothy Scarborough  
 Cora Szabo

## SOPHOMORES

THE CLASS OF 1957 originated in various sections of the United States and Europe and was united for the first time in 1954. We found ourselves at Orleans High School, not quite as bewildered as the freshmen but without the poise and confidence of the upperclassmen.

We have made contributions to many activities. Our class secretary is also the Student Council treasurer and substitute cheerleader. We functioned in a way which would have been a credit to any Sophomore Class under the direction of Pat Curran, president; Terry White, vice-president; Sandra Nogar, secretary; and Janice DeGarmo, treasurer.

In 1957, when we hope to be measured for our caps and gowns, we shall look back on our sophomore year as one of the best in our school career.



PAT CURRAN    TERRY WHITE    SANDRA NOGAR    JANICE DE GARMO  
President      Vice-President      Secretary      Treasurer



Donald Adams

Sally Britt

Jean Brooking

Luana Clayton

Mary Corey



Pat Curran

Oma Sue Davis

Janice DeGarmo

Gayle Dover

Kay Fleishman



Beth Hackworth

Sandra Nogar

Bill Perry

Richard Perry

Linda Plaford



Mildred Polonis

Claudine Sheffield

Robert Souder

Michael Stoll

Sheila Trubacek



Nanette Truett

Marjorie Vaughn

Myona Ward

Terry Write

Sylvia Whitney

# FRESHMEN

WHEN WE FRESHMEN entered the halls of O. H. S., a little perplexed and dazed by our venture into our first high school, we were not sure of what to expect. Freshmen initiation was foremost in our minds, but as time went on we were surprized to find that we were unmolested. We began to join clubs, mix with other members of O. H. S., and learned the ways of high school students. Most of us had been in Orleans the year before but had had no chance to see the workings of a high school even "second hand", since one did not really exist as such.

When we were formed as a high school class, we elected Charles Cralle as our able president, Karen Eversmeyer as vice-president, Bill Day as secretary, and Ronnie Myas as treasurer.

Next year, when we become "upper-lower", we will be able to look back and enjoy our memories all over again, for we have truly enjoyed this year, fast as it had flown by.



CHUCK CRALLE    KAREN EVERSMEYER    BILL DAY    RONNIE MYAS  
President                      Vice-President                      Secretary                      Treasurer



*Back Row:* Gene Johnson, Garth Corey, Ted Goss, Terry Landreth, Gary Knott, Daniel Petilon  
Charles Hadkworth  
*Front Row:* Patsy Buck, Maurice Wilson, Marsha Thompson, Pat Murray, Rosemary Adams, Daisy Samples  
Gloria Floda, Mary Colgan



*Back Row:* Terry Kirkpatrick, Bill Norton, Don Allgood, John Allgood, Ronald Myas, John McGuire  
Charles Cralle  
*Front Row:* Ruth Mosqueda, Karen Eversmeyer, Maria Miller, Barbara Ward, Dorothy Jones, Sally Barry  
Jeanette Saccone, Eddis Fleishman

# ACTIVITIES





THE STUDENT COUNCIL was a dominating influence in school life during the year. It approved constitutions, raised money to pay for sports programs, the cheerleaders' outfits, and to give the succeeding Council a firm treasury. Its committees organized the newspaper, the annual, and approved various classes' sponsorship of activities. The Council also was the foundation upon which rested the Student Leadership Conference, the first of its kind in a USAREUR school.

The conference was composed of representatives from grades seven through twelve. The younger representatives worked hard and received much credit and admiration from older students.

President Ed Nogar was in the hospital during much of January and February, but his position was very ably administered by vice-president Frank Partlow. The normally deterring effect of a late election did not prevent the Student Council from being the most influential organization in O. H. S.



Ed Nogar, President

Nancy Pafford, Secretary; Ed Nogar, President; Frank Partlow, Vice-President; Sandra Nogar, Treasurer

## STUDENT COUNCIL





Dotie Scarborough, Sandra Nogar, Marilyn Landmesser, Pat Cralle, Nancy Pafford, captain, Pat Leo  
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ON you Trojans, on you Trojans,  
 Fight for victory.  
 We will back you, win or lose,  
 Just wait and you will see,  
 And so now,  
 On you Trojans, on you Trojans,  
 We will show the way.  
 So stand by your high school, boys,  
 And win today!





ANY newly established institution has difficulty in proving itself in sports. The Orleans student body however, showed remarkable enthusiasm and seemed convinced that it would field fine teams.

Our sports really got underway with basketball, and after some sobering experiences early in the season with Paris and Rochefort, the lessons began to pay off. The last two games with Paris were lost by only one and two points.

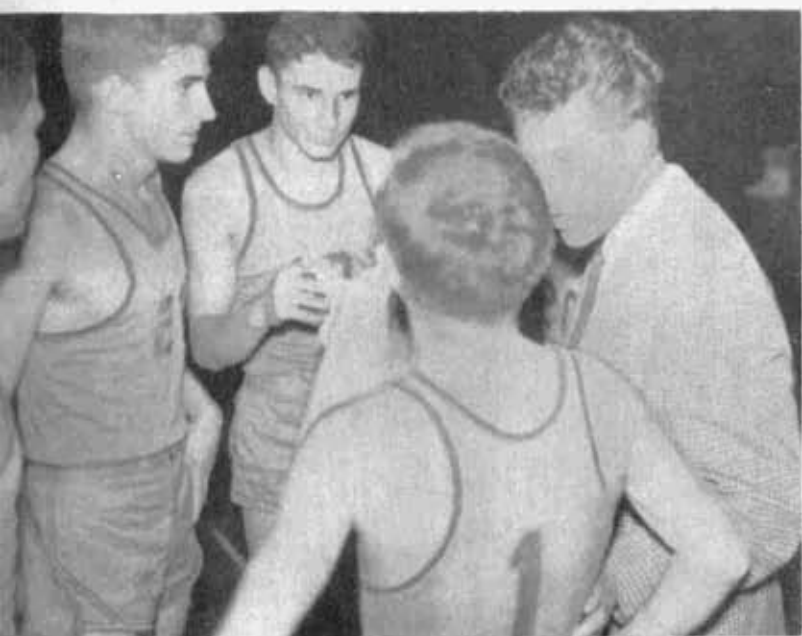
Mr. Childress, athletic coach, co-ordinated the Trojans into a smooth-working team although he was handicapped by the almost complete inexperience of the members. When the season drew to a close, they seemed ready and able to go a long way in the USAREUR tournaments.

Baseball and track, while lacking the proper facilities, produced some excellent results. The teams journeyed to meet their competition with dependable individuals who often proved that a team is as good as its best performers and its desire to win as a group.

# ATHLETICS

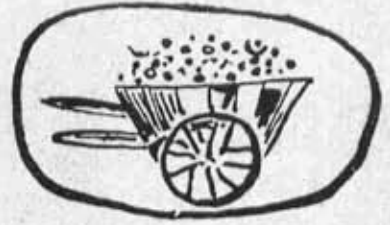


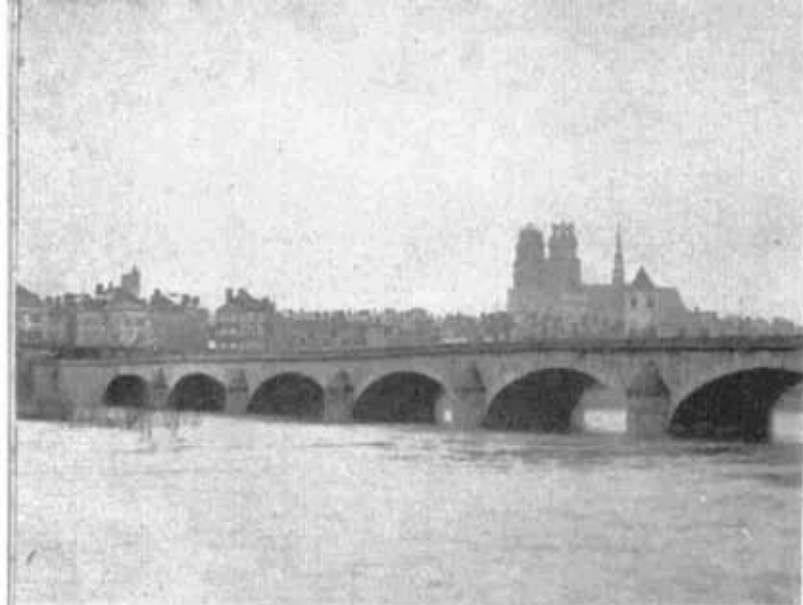
*Back Row:* John Childress, coach; Chuck Cralle  
 Pat McGuire; Don Adams; Joel Dinnauer  
 Nick Billing  
*Second Row:* John Colgan; Luciano Amutan  
*Front Row:* Shedwrak Willis; John Frith; William deGarmo  
 Not appearing in picture: Dick Richards



*Back Row:* John Childress, coach; Robert Myers; Al Nunn; Terry White  
*Front Row:* Ronald Myas; James Vaughn; Ronald Graves; Frank Partlow; Raymond Hammond  
 Terry Landrith  
*Not appearing in picture:* Robert Iaska







LA LOIRE; commonplace to us, yet legendary. Here landmarks are reminiscent of a fascinating history.



JEANNE D'ARC — spirit of the city. A murmur of the past surrounded by the voice of the future — progress.



COLIGNY CASERNE — headquarters and home base for all: the military, teenagers, our hearts.



LE LOIRET, a quiet stream over which voices echo during the summer nights.



AT MAISON FORT a miniature city is growing and with it, Orleans American High School.

## ON OUR WAY TO SCHOOL . . . .

THE ART CLUB provided a great deal of color and scenery for O. H. S. Each contribution made this busy club a little more appreciated by all students. Field trips, a subject widely discussed, finally materialized in a trip to Chartres cathedral. President Jean Brooking led the group in such a way that it furnished fun, work, or enjoyment for everyone in school.



EVERY FRIDAY, somehow, "The Blue and White" appeared and made us forget the tough day we had just completed. No one ever stopped to wonder about that Friday appearance. While a majority of students were reading the varied articles, the staff, with Frank Partlow as editor, was already planning the next issue. All the news that was fit to print was found in "The Blue and White".



FAINT ECHOS of "Did you get the letters for the berets?", "Are we getting the bus?" and "Will you people *please* be quiet!" linger long after a typical meeting of the pep club. The Trojanettes, with Peggy Hayer as president, have show excellent school spirit, interest, and participation in school activities.



THE METHOD, frequently used, and the disheartening policy of trial and error applied to a great many of the efforts of our Orleans *Erinnerungen* staff. Since no one had ever worked on an annual before, the editors of all the sections had a large amount of reading and study to do. Before anything could even be formulated, it was necessary to learn how and what procedures to follow in producing a yearbook.

With the help of a few understanding teachers with third period classes, part of the problem of a meeting time was solved and our initial efforts begun. The editors and advisers concentrated on showing the year's history in essence rather than in total coverage. The staff was co-ordinated under the direction of Robin Jones, editor-in-chief; Tom Gealta, layout editor; Ronnie Graves, photography editor; Nancy Pafford, literary editor; and Mr. Lucier and Mr. Eller, advisers.