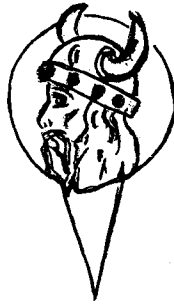


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## Other' Christmas

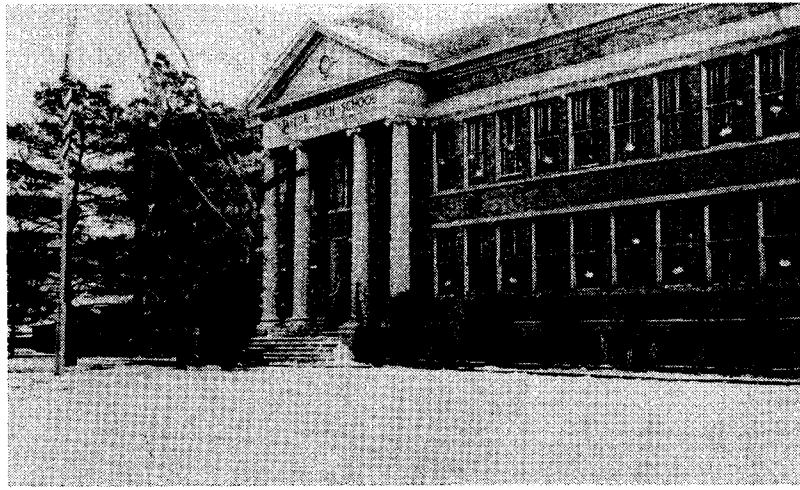
by P. J. K.  
 lly celebrate Christmas  
 No sooner are we back  
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 Christmas! By this  
 of us are aware that  
 ven January 7 off from  
 respect to the people  
 rate the birth of Christ  
 to the Julian calendar.  
 all get the benefit of the  
 perhaps it might be a  
 a to know something  
 history and traditions

ng to the calendar or-  
 Julius Caesar in 46 B.C.,  
 s of the year had 31 and  
 ternately, except Febru-  
 was given 29 days.  
 e year, as a result, con-  
 ot quite 366 days, which  
 er than the solar year.  
 mpts were made to ad-  
 Julian calendar to the  
 r, but it was not until  
 that Pope Gregory cor-  
 e situation. Thereafter,  
 n calendar gained one  
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ew calendar, instituted  
 Gregory, was adopted by  
 tholic nations of Europe.  
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 that time, preferred to  
 nian calendar. As a re-  
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 January 7 instead of on  
 25.

school, we have many  
 who celebrate the Julian  
 and enjoy the festivi-  
 cted with it. Actually,  
 vance for January 7 be-  
 ut Thanksgiving time  
 st which not only regu-  
 ing habits, but also pro-  
 h forms of entertain-  
 movies and dancing. The  
 f this fast comes on  
 Eve with the serving  
 'Supper" which consists  
 pecial breads and other  
 made during the days  
 ct fast. At midnight on  
 Eve, mass is celebrated  
 ing the fast officially  
 marks the beginning of  
 ation of Christmas.

hristmas trees, St. Nick  
 other well-known sym-  
 e season are also a part  
 'other' Christmas. The  
 however, is the very  
 ll celebration with very  
 basis on Santa Claus. In



## "Happy Hanukkau"

While Christians prepare for the magnificent miracle of Christmas, people of the Jewish faith also celebrate a most glorious religious event of Hebrew history, which dates back to 165 B.C.

At that time, the Jewish people, under Judah Macabee, rededicated their temple, which had been defiled by the Syrians. Tradition relates that for the ceremony of rededication, Judah could find only one, single cruse of oil that had not been contaminated by the enemy. Although this amount gave enough oil to light the Menorah for only one day, a miracle took place and the Menorah burned for eight days. As a result, Hebrews today celebrate the "Feast of Dedication" and the "Feast of Lights." During these celebrations, candles are lit throughout the holiday—one on the eve of the first day, two on the eve of the second, and so on, until eight candles are kindled on the last evening.

Next comes the "Feast of Liberation," which symbolizes the victory of the few over the many, and of the weak over the strong. The three feasts, of Light, Dedication, and Liberation, are called "Hanukkau," one of the gayest Jewish holidays. Gifts are given to children at the candle-lighting time, and it is customary for them to play with a small top, on which is inscribed the letters, N, G, H, S. These stand for the

## Students Deck Halls Of T-M

Students of Taylor-Moosic are once again united in spirit. However, this is not the boisterous spirit of the football season with posters, cheers, and rallies. Rather, it is a spirit that can only be felt and seen. It can be felt in the joyous atmosphere that have prevailed throughout our school these past few weeks; it is seen in the bright red and green of the Christmas decorations, and in the happy faces of the students themselves.

We expected the traditional parties, but were not prepared for the enthusiasm the students showed for decking the halls of old T-M! Not content with confining their decorations to the home rooms, the decorators literally moved out into the halls where they performed miracles on the old green lockers as they transformed them into things of beauty with holiday wrappings of various designs. Next came the decorating of classroom doors, so that they now look like Christmas packages. One might think the students at T-M really treasure their classrooms!

The Christmas tree, the traditional symbol of Christmas, has not been forgotten, for in the library, a real tree with lights and ornaments takes its place among the books and magazines. Never before did the library smell so good!

To top off the whole thing is the tree in the Main Hall. The fact that it stands there, reaching to the ceiling and so beautifully decorated, is evidence to any vis-

## Annual Christmas Program Today

Miss Betty Jane Caswell, Music Director, will present today in Assembly, her annual Christmas Program, which will climax the Christmas festivities at Taylor-Moosic. The Girls Chorus which will provide the musical portion of the program will sing the following selections appropriate to the season: My Christmas Prayer—Bruce Carleton; Christmas Lullaby—Mozart; Glory to the King of Kings—Thompson.

Accompanying the Chorus and group singing will be Jack Hynos and James Moet on the trumpets, with Roberta Harquard at the organ and John Krenitsky at the piano. Wilfred Coombs, who will be the featured soloist, has chosen "O Holy Night" by Adolphe Adam as his selection for today.

The program opens with a Christmas Prayer, offered by Keith Ott, who will later be joined by Susan Novack as they narrate the Christmas story based on selections from the "greatest literature in the world."

Highlighting this year's program is the presentation of a story entitled "The Christmas Angel." Miss Ruth Reese, Assistant Directress of Nurses at Medical Center East, will tell the story to the student body. At the conclusion of the program, Keith Ott will offer a Christmas Blessing after which the entire school will join in the singing of a favorite Christmas carol.

The Christmas program at T-M has always been marked by dignity and reverence. We know that the students will receive this year's program in the same manner. The stage setting, will do much to add to the true spirit of Christmas.

The staff and advisers of the Viking Press take this opportunity to extend to faculty and students, the best wishes for a Happy Holiday. Like Tiny Tim in Dickens' "Christmas Carol," we'd like to add, "God bless us, every one!"

## BOOK ENDS

Mrs. Kimmel, our librarian, has selected the following list of books which she thinks will provide interesting reading for the holidays.

Non-Fiction

Complete Book of Etiquette—Vanderbilt

## Imni News

an Tinklepaugh

readers of the Viking to maintain a lively their former class- have tried again to countryside to track of news about the T-M. Here goes with

ll, our congratulations Susan Fahringer, '62, can be classified as a Bloomsburg State Col- Susan, according to s taken extra courses finish college in three ad of the customary

reached us from sev- that George Magakis's class, has organized, classmates, a literary things! George, you Keystone College.

r last year's insepar- bugs, Bill Page and , who worked so in- on the Yearbook? finally been separated t Penn State and Joe area. We assume that ly studying at State. ns, continues to hold of his five jobs around ldition to selling pots o prospective brides! e time, he attends the of Scranton where he y well.

ld have believed that zda would become an o soon after gradua- nanager of Carrolls in ch features the famous hamburger.

ury, '62, is in her sec- Wilkes, where she is be a medical tech-

ant to know anything rt of selling, see our i Thomas, '62 and Tom Both boys began their leway, but we see that oved on to the Globe

certainly well repre- Scranton-Lackawanna ollege. Suzanne Let- a cheerleader there, foroschak is a member etball team.

bird, '62, has left the of Scranton to enter a ogram with the Fed- of Investigation in , D. C.

ig, Betty Zikoski and ffer are all from the and are all employed as in Scranton. Claire Commercial Associa- e with the Scranton onstruction Co., and a secretary at Hotel

oolbaugh, '63, is now Baltimore, Md.

nie, a student at Wes- ge in North Carolina, t Wesleyan is a com- new college which is artially by the Metho-

Genie Bowen also ethodist college, Drew and reports that there

## T-M Seniors To Honor Alumni

On Friday, December 27, 1963, the Senior-Alumni Dance will be held in the T-M gym. The present seniors, who will act as hosts to the Alumni, hope the dance will become a tradition at T-M.

General Chairman is senior class president, Bob Walker, who is working with members of the various committees to assure the success of the dance. According to Bob, the event has been planned to reunite former students of Taylor-Moosic, and at the same time to raise money for the Senior Class trip.

Decorations will be in keeping with the Holiday Season, and refreshments will be provided by a committee headed by Carol Ostrowski. Arrangements have been made to have an orchestra for dancing from eight to eleven P.M. Dress will be semi-formal.

The dance will be open to Seniors and Alumni of T-M, and their guests. Tickets, which are one dollar each, may be purchased from any member of the Senior Class.

## Dave Dawes Was There!

Most of us, during the days following the assassination of President Kennedy, spent much time glued to our TV sets as we watched the events in Washington. How many of us wondered, as we watched, if we knew anyone in the crowds that thronged to the Capital? It now appears that at least some of us at T-M knew one member of the Air Force who was there as part of the Military Honor Guard. That person is Dave Dawes of the Class of '62. He is an A/3, Jet Mechanic, who is stationed at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington, D.C.

In an interview with Dave, who visited T-M recently, we learned that he was assigned to the Honor Guard which lined Pennsylvania Avenue on Sunday during the procession of the cortege from the White House to the Capitol. On the day of the funeral, he was part of the Guard outside St. Matthew's Church. During the entire funeral service and during the several hours it took for the procession to pass enroute to the Capitol, the Honor Guard stood at attention. Those of us, who remember Dave Dawes a T-M, realize that the Air Force must indeed have trained him well for him to remain so still for so long a time!

When asked what impressed him most about the whole experience, Dave immediately replied, "The quietness of the crowd. No one talked out loud; no one pushed. It was all so quiet." Later, Dave admitted that the sight of young John Kennedy, Jr. saluting his father's casket touched the hearts of all of the young men standing in the Honor Guard.

In talking further, Dave explained that he had seen Presi-

## Senior Spotlight

Keith Ott, in case you've wondered, was the announcer at the Old Forge-T-M game. His deep, manly tones came over the p.a. system, loud and clear. Keith has our recommendation if he ever wants to be a T.V. Sports caster.

How lucky can a girl get? While all the other senior girls were thrilled over their class rings Marie Decker had a bigger thrill. Her engagement was announced, and she's now wearing a diamond ring. Congratulations, Marie!

The Christmas spirit has really hit the Seniors. They went all out in decorating their home rooms, their lockers and themselves. We hear some of them even went to see Santa Claus!

The Seniors, who are reading *Idylls of the King*, were dealt a blow when they were told King Arthur did not exist in life as he did in those stories. If King Arthur is only make-believe, the Seniors are concerned about Santa Claus! Surely something must be left in life to which Seniors can cling! ! !

The senior reporters give their apologies to the Captains of the Flag Twirlers and the Drill Teams. How did we ever miss such distinguished class members in our listing of V.I.P.'s in the Senior Class?

Everyone is glad to hear that Paul Coolbough is feeling better. We hope he'll soon be back to school.

Billy Sowden is already back in school after being in the hospital. Hope you're not spoiled, Billy, after getting all that attention from the nurses and the Candy Strippers.

After sweating through a Physics test, Harry Keating discovered he had taken the wrong one. How could you, Harry?

Wally Kobal is thinking seriously of joining the "Gunsmoke" cast. After all, he has that limp since he was injured in gym class, what more does he need to replace Chester?

Our sculptor's model, Carole DeSanto had a unique experience. Her head was on the stage, while she was sitting in the audience.

We are all proud of Billy Ozark who was named Athlete of the Week in the Scranton Times. Congratulations, Bill, for bringing this sports honor to T-M.

Now that the bows and arrows are put away, the Big Three, Larry, Leon and Billy are out with their guns. The only thing they've brought back so far is wet feet. Better stick to the two-legged "dears," boys!

Boys, Prom-Time may still be in the future, but if you want to avoid the frustration in the selection of that special girl to take to the prom, why not try John Nacko's ingenious suggestion. Just put the girls' names in a hat and then, "Happy Picking."

Clark Mark has become the innocent victim of an investigation following an alleged eraser fight

## Junior Jottings

Word comes to us that the boys in the Clerical Section go down in defeat every time they tangle with the A & L's in gym activities.

So far not one Junior boy, who went hunting, has come home with a buck. Don't let it get you down, boys, the girls still love you!

Tom Price and Steve Derenick are the Sleeping Beauties of the Junior Class. They lead such busy, active lives that they must spend every spare minute at noon in the arms of Morpheus.

Chemistry classes are wondering what became of their study periods. They haven't had one for ages!

Some Junior boys are very bashful. We won't mention any names, but one just about passed out when Nancy Thomas shared his seat with him during Activity Period!

When the Seniors started to decorate Room 34, the fever immediately spread to Room 33, where one group of Junior girls did a fine job getting the room to look like Christmas. Such boys as Helcoski, Beecham, Barnansky and Petrunich may not be artists, but they're excellent critics!

Although some snow has already fallen, Billy Skula is still wearing his white sneakers! Evidently he's trying to blend in with his environment, but how sneaky can one get?

Steve Shimko is certainly interested in Chemistry—or at least in the Chemistry classroom. Seems he visits there even when there is no class in session. What's the attraction down there, Steve?

Jane Rees and Debby Kehr are the bowling enthusiasts of the Juniors. They take the game very seriously, too, with lessons!

The Juniors are proud of their CAP cadets, Harrison, Krenitsky and Phil Richardson, especially on the days they wear their uniforms to school. Seems the girls always go for the men in uniform!

Did anyone see Ann DeChant's debut on TV? She was there—if only for a fleeting moment, with her whole family, on a recent "Route 66" presentation. Ann was distressed to not how the producers had cut the portion in which the DeChants appeared, but we reminded her "That's show biz!"

## Junior Girl Places Second In Contest

Stephanie Andrews, a member of the Junior Secretarial Group, has been notified that she has won second prize in a contest sponsored by the Celanese Corporation of America, which has as its representative in this area, the Scranton Dry Goods Department Store.

Since Stephanie represents Taylor-Moosic as a member of the Fashion Board at Scranton Dry Goods, she was eligible to enter the contest, which involved the writing of a 500 word essay on some phase of fashion using col-

## nt Council ts Some Progress

at Council Representa-  
e had just been elected,  
e Viking Press made its  
pearance this year, have  
aking some progress in  
their plans into action.  
t significant sign of prog-  
he installation of mirrors  
oy's lavatories. The re-  
r these mirrors had been  
efore the Council, which  
tely sought and received  
operation of the Ad-  
tion regarding the  
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e Student Council can  
if used properly, to im-  
e school and to serve the  
body. The council, which  
as a link between the ad-  
tion and the students,  
o thank, Mr. Davis and  
ello for the consideration  
ve shown Council repre-  
es, and for their genuine  
in trying to improve con-  
or all of us at T-M.

ity under consideration  
Student Council are  
to have a dress-up day;  
free admission to all ath-  
nts for Viking Press and  
k reporters and photog-  
to have a Class Color  
he council members  
appointed a committee  
urpose will be to draft a  
commended rules of dress  
ents at T-M. Chairman  
ommittee is Linda Sibley,  
l work with George Ya-  
Mike Cole, Diane Bisig-  
d Ann DeChant, her com-  
members.

the Council wishes to re-  
e students that it is  
e ready to give voice to the  
of the student body. We  
student, who would like  
me action on any school  
contact his home room  
tative, who will in turn  
the problem to the Coun-  
other words, the Student  
can only be as good as  
students, make it.

## es of '65 and '66 Officers

tly the Junior and Sopho-  
asses met with our prin-  
r. Riviello, and their  
oom teachers to elect offi-  
this school year. Since  
mpaigning had preceded  
etings, the voting was  
d business-like.

e Junior Class, Harry  
ng was elected President  
ckie Rowan became Vice-  
it. Other officers were  
ie Andrews, Secretary,  
en Hayes, Treasurer.

y Armstrong got the  
off to a fine start with the  
awkins Dance, which was  
on after election. The  
as such a success that we  
ing forward to the Junior-  
Prom in a big way.

sophomores elected Paul  
r as President, Robert  
uch as Vice President

## Viking Press Staff Becomes "Polarized"

Students! Ask your parents to  
buy Polarized Meat Products—the  
best frozen-packaged meat in  
America!

Why are we, the staff of the  
Viking Press, pushing the sales  
for Polarized? Let us tell you  
about the goodness of this com-  
pany.

Near the end of October, the  
Polarized Meat Packing Com-  
pany, located in Moosic, offered  
our newspaper staff a way to help  
finance some of the future  
editions of the Viking Press. It  
seemed the company has pur-  
chased new advertisement books  
for their salesmen, but these  
books had to be assembled. That's  
where the members of the V.P.  
staff came into the picture. If we  
could complete the task of putting  
these books together, we were to  
receive a compensation that far  
surpassed our wildest dreams.

Eagerly, we grabbed the chance  
to make some money. After  
school, for two and a half weeks,  
we journeyed to Polarized and  
filled books, books, books! While  
the work became monotonous at  
times, we did have loads of fun.  
During our "breaks," the com-  
pany owners served us pizza and  
coke; in fact, they even brewed  
cups of tea for such people as Mr.  
and Mrs. Riviello, Miss Horger,  
Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Kelley, and Mrs.  
Merritt who helped and en-  
couraged us. We had good times  
working together to reach our  
goal within the set deadline, and  
we want to thank the people at  
Polarized for making us the offer  
and for putting up with us! No  
wonder we ask you, as a favor to  
the Viking Press, to make your  
next frozen meat, Polarized.

## T-M Juniors Take To The Roads

by Nancy Thomas

One of the biggest thrills in the  
life of a Junior in High School  
comes to him the day that he gets  
his driver's license! Everyone, it  
seems, looks forward to becoming  
sixteen, so that he or she can join  
the select group of drivers.

Some people seem to have more  
luck in getting their licenses than  
others, but no matter what one's  
luck is, he must conquer one thing  
in the race to get the license.  
That is to persuade his parents  
to take him out for that first les-  
son.

The trial run is always the  
worst part of the whole pro-  
cedure. The student driver, burst-  
ing with confidence, takes the  
wheel while the parent sits there  
nervously beside him, trying to  
give directions and remain calm  
at the same time. Some parents,  
who are not as brave as others,  
eliminate the trial run and all  
subsequent lessons by suggesting  
to the would-be driver that he  
take the Driver's Training Course  
at school. In this way, the parent  
is saved from a good case of

## Seniors Announce "Viking" Staff

From Room 20, which has been  
unofficially designated as Viking  
Headquarters, comes the an-  
nouncement that the Editors for  
the '64 Yearbook have been selec-  
ted. They are: Nancy Davis,  
Robert Walker, James Zeleniak,  
and Joseph Lettieri. In addition,  
other members of the staff have  
also been appointed. The list of  
such members is as follows: Busi-  
ness Managers, Lois Kryzanow-  
ski, and John Krenitsky; Photog-  
raphy: Joseph Hamilton and the  
Editors; Literary: Anita Kolinof-  
sky, Mary Ann Czachor, William  
Evans, and Edward Kania; Art:  
Kathy Prociak; Typists: Carol Os-  
trowski, Faith Onderko, Linda  
Bichler, Mary Diane Lombardi,  
Susan Berlew, and Shirley  
Springer; Sales and Advertising:  
Marie Decker, Carol DeRicci, Re-  
gina Exter, Sandra Goumillout,  
Patricia Fedor, Barbara Francis,  
Julie Hines, Nancy Hnatusko,  
Nancy Weisenfluh, Sharon  
Brooks, Karen Price, Linda Sow-  
den, Leonard Green, John Price,  
Wally Kobal, Mike Matsko, Clark  
Mark, Keith Ott, Thomas Petro,  
Steve Horoszko, Al Williams,  
George Yakubisin, Ron Elko,  
Buddy Henn, Fred Loprete, and  
Billy Ozark.

Under the supervision of Mrs.  
Millie G. Ross, Mrs. June Hogan,  
Miss Tess Gondella, and Mr.  
Edward Helcoski, the Viking Staff  
has set as their goal, an even  
better Yearbook for '64! In the  
first step toward that goal, the  
advisers have again decided on  
Hoagies Sales as a means of de-  
fraying the expenses of the  
"Viking." These very profitable  
sales, under the supervision of  
Mrs. Hogan and Miss Gondella,  
keep the price of the book at a  
mere \$3.50! At that price, the  
staff feels that the "Viking" will  
be available to the entire student  
body.

The advisers and the staff of  
the "Viking" wish to emphasize  
that while the Yearbook is es-  
sential a Senior project, anyone  
may purchase a copy for the price  
mentioned. Underclassmen, as  
well as Seniors, should remember  
that the experiences, they are  
now sharing with their classmates  
today, will become dearer to them  
as the years pass. Since their  
memories will fade as they grow  
older, they will need their year-  
books to recall happenings of  
their high school days.

As everyone knows, the indi-  
vidual pictures of the Seniors and  
Faculty have already been taken  
for the "Viking." The Editors are  
busy snapping pictures for the  
candid shots, and soon the group  
pictures of the various organiza-  
tions and clubs will be taken. The  
planning of the Yearbook is a  
project that goes on all during  
the school year, and it involves  
almost everyone, in some way or  
another. The staff appreciates the  
cooperation it has already re-  
ceived from the student body, and  
assures us that the "Viking"  
will be better than ever.

## Book Fair And Art Exhibit Huge Success

Paperback books have really  
taken over at T-M! Everywhere,  
students are seen carrying these  
little books whose titles range  
from those in the classics, to  
some in science-fiction. Where  
did all the books come from, and  
what aroused the students' in-  
terest in reading them? The  
answer to both questions lies in  
the fact that the Library Club had  
a Book Fair!

The members of the Library  
Club were amazed at the interest  
the students showed in the Fair.  
Over 500 books were sold, giving  
the club a profit of over \$40.00 for  
their treasury. With such results,  
no wonder Mrs. Kimmel and the  
club plan to have another Fair  
sometime during second semester.  
Save your pennies, and buy a  
book!

At the same time as the Book  
Fair, the Library Club, in an  
effort to encourage creative art  
work among the students, con-  
ducted an Art Contest and  
Exhibit. Entries revealed the fact  
that T-M has several budding  
artists in the school community.  
While there were many students  
who did contribute to the exhibit,  
the club members and judges feel  
that there are many more  
students who have ability in art.  
These are the people who need to  
be encouraged to show their work  
in the next exhibit planned by  
the club.

Entries to the contest were  
judged by Miss Kleback, Mrs.  
Hogan, and Mrs. Cole. Prizes  
were awarded as follows: First  
prize, Susan Novack; Second  
Prize, Cathy Prociak; Third Prize,  
Paula Griffith. Honorable men-  
tion was given to: David Griner,  
Bobby Biedrzyck, and Edward  
VonBergen.

## Sculptress Addresses Student Body

Mme. Suzanne Silvercruys, a  
gifted author and one of the  
world's most renowned living  
sculptors recently paid a visit to  
Taylor-Moosic. Not only was her  
demonstration of the art of sculp-  
turing new and interesting to the  
students, but her way with the  
audience, as she talked about the  
famous and near-famous whom  
she had modeled, held the atten-  
tion of our students for almost  
an hour. Anyone who can do that,  
must indeed be good!

Although Mme. Silvercruys was  
born in Belgium, she became a  
citizen of the United States while  
attending the School of Fine Art  
at Yale University. For many  
years she enjoyed a very success-  
ful career as a sculptor in New  
York and California.

Among those whom she has  
modeled are such people as Pres-  
ident Hoover, Mme. Chiang Kai-  
Shek, Cardinal Cushing, as well

# From Santa

*Karen Price*

days before Christmas  
at T-M High,  
I was nearing,  
I breathed a great sigh.

I were happy  
I us rings were due  
I niors were wishing  
I had theirs, too.

I nores were gleeful,  
I were so gay,  
I e whole building  
I ve a holiday.

I smiled  
I rts light and gay,  
I y could wait  
I long-promised day.

I a sudden  
I e such a clatter  
I rom our desks  
I at was the matter.

I a arriving  
I and with sleigh,  
I full of presents  
I give away.

I ed in his bag  
I d out a chair  
I d Elko had asked for  
I nts wouldn't tear.

I a doll  
I nas thought cute  
I was dressed  
I all player's suit!

I Elaine  
I celot" Henn  
I ed by dear Santa  
I s after his MEN!

I from school  
I rown could hunt,  
I ata had next  
I iday stunt.

I elled like coffee,  
I d up a tin,  
I dleman's, it's mine,"  
I ge Shern, with a grin.

I too many Frosh  
I s long list,  
I lined up nicely  
I be kissed!

I omores stood by  
I ed their turn,  
I anded them  
I ogy to learn.

I niors, old Santa  
I good news,  
I m some money  
I time to use.

I d Seniors,  
I the hall.  
I e back  
I one and all.

I his finger  
I de of his nose  
I at last  
I he would close.

## CHRISTMAS

*by Judy Moss*

Christmas time is drawing near,  
A time for joy, a time for cheer;  
A time for gifts, a time for love,  
A time to honor the Babe from above.

Christmas trees with glowing lights,  
Send a brilliance through the night;  
Like the brilliance from the star,  
That led three wisemen from afar.

Carols are sung and snow has fallen,  
Upon a world that's still and solemn.  
Gifts are placed beneath the tree,  
Just like those from the wisemen, three.

Now with the tree looking its best,  
All is calm and well at rest,  
Proclaiming the night of the glorious birth,  
A wondrous night throughout the earth.

## Cheers to Tears

The rain had stopped;  
Heaven's eyes were dry.  
The cheers rang out,  
The crowd stood by.

Our Chief and our Jackie  
Came from the plane.  
Smiles from both  
Never did wane.

The parade began;  
Dallas, Texas the town.  
J. F. K. had come,  
Everyone was around.

But who could know  
In a building high,  
A cowardly wretch  
Was lurking nigh.

A shot rang out,  
Round the world to soar.  
And another, and another,  
Till life was not more.

A funeral in Washington,  
A dead hero, second to none  
A widow so brave  
With daughter and son.

The Nation, the World  
Stand in mourn.  
J.F.K. no more,  
But our Nation grief-torn.

In life as in death,  
Peace was his goal.  
A President, the greatest ever;  
A Saint, with God is his Soul.

*Cathy Prociak*

Someone "borrowed" over six dollars from the girls purses in room 25 and not one penny of it has been returned. Please hurry and repay your debt before we charge you interest.

The girls in room 25 are still waiting for the day when a nice upper classmen will take the job of emptying their waste basket. Boys! Don't pass up this great opportunity.

The freshmen are proud to

## Accept Future Nurses At Nursing Schools

The Senior members of the Future Nurses are proving that they have been serious all along about their intention to become nurses! Recently several members were notified that they have been accepted by the Nursing Schools of their choice. Among those notified are: Kathy Ayers, Johns Hopkins; Ann Decker, Bonnie Noakes and Sharon Sesok, Medical Center East; Joan Tinklepaugh, Nesbitt Memorial; Carol Brazofchak, Scranton State General; and Lois Kryzanowski, Wilkes-Barre General.

Among the activities planned for the Future Nurses Club is a series of films, shown to club members in T-M's auditorium. The latest film showed the different aspects of psychiatric nursing and the training a nurse needs to perform this particular type of nursing. Miss Homodik, Club Adviser, is arranging for speakers to come to future meetings to talk to the members concerning jobs which may involve some special kind of nursing.

## Sophomore Sayings

Walt Kapelanovich sprained his right arm, and did he take advantage of it? He didn't write for 3 weeks. That's the way to do it, Walt.

Marlin Salerno, the Great Storyteller, claims he killed a buck by hitting him in the toe with a sling shot. Really Marlin! Congratulations to Rodney Green who will receive his second football letter. We're proud of you, Rod.

Sophomores are mourning the loss of George. By the way, George was their class pet, a cute little lizard.

David Noakes bagged his deer on the first day. Good going, Dave.

It's testing time again for the "poor" Sophomores. Mr. Helcoski is collecting money for the N. E. D. T. Test. How much this time? NEWS BULLETIN:

We regret to say that the mushrooms, Mr. Mekilo was raising in his closet just died! His idea of frozen mushrooms didn't work! Better stick to Birdseye!

R. Adomiak steals thumb tacks from everywhere. Better watch out girls!

"All I want for Christmas is my one front tooth" can be Jerry Gronski's theme song. He recently knocked out a tooth while helping in his father's garage.

## Freshmen Footnotes

Tommy Letteri has been elected "bongo beating champ." However, Tommy Reed is running a close second. The natives are evidently restless these days!

Now hear this! If Santa Claus is in need of a substitute reindeer, room 31 A has a Moose.

A certain Frosh who is being robbed of his lunch, receives Tank You Notes from the lunch robbers. Now that's real news!

## MOOS TAYLS

Hunting is a dangerous time for mooses, meese (?) (take your choice) but here we are once again with tayls from T-M. BANG!

Congratulations, T-M, you're the first school to have Christmas decorations up—for 12 months!.. More congrats: for the good pep rally before the game and the enthusiasm displayed by the students at the Old Forge game... speaking of pep rallies—the cheerleaders finally did it — CARTWHEELS!..

Do you know: that during activity period certain female frosh lined up at a certain senior home room for the honor of wearing a certain athlete's coat to band practice... that physical fitness classes are causing some people to become mental wrecks... that T-M is now referred to as 394-780 (for those in the mad, mad world of the college bound and S.A.T.'s)... that the Cheerleaders have their new winter uniforms for basketball season?..

Some people get desperately ill on the day that a test is scheduled... With all the new clubs and organizations at T-M we still do not have a Future Teachers' Club...

Have you noticed: the new seating arrangement in room 25... the constant flare of flash bulbs (keep smiling, you may be in the Yearbook)... the steady stream of parents arriving to discuss card marks... the new street lights around the school, they were certainly needed... the crazy color combinations on Junior girls... the new look of our gym... the Christmas decorations in the various rooms, and the library... the sign on the side door directing visitors to the front entrance... the cards on the reception desk giving the names of the people attending the desk... the hungry look on everyone since Mrs. Hogan's illness—NO HOAGIES!... the seniors flashing their class rings?..

What will T-M do when a certain senior graduates? Who will open the stage door for the Cheerleaders?..

Will the day ever come when: we have dances after victory basketball games... seniors get their promised privileges... some broom closet will be cleaned out and be used as a room for publications... the cheerleaders will again do the S-S-S cheer?..

By the way, we missed the annual Halloween Party this year. Guess the Frosh didn't get organized in time. Better luck next year.

Before this old moose returns to eat his mistletoe (moose are herbivorous, you know) here's a thought for Christmas... Santa's helpers are actually subordinate clauses!..

## The Other Christmas

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All of these customs, including the handed-down recipes for the

## Baseball Team etes Season

Taylor-Moosic Vikings completed their schedule in Lackawanna League, and ended the season with an 11-4 record.

The Vikings, who ended the season by taking a 5-0 defeat at Scranton, finished the second half of the season with a 4-0 record. This record is the best by any team in the league better than the 0-5 record which they compiled during the first half.

By the win of the season for the Vikings, was a 10-0 trouncing of Scranton. Jim Connors, the real strong game for the Vikings, Dave Price provided the winning run with their offensive by slamming a two-run

about the season, most of the hitting has been by Dave Price, Jim Wincovitch and Connors. Connors, who has been the main bulk of the team, ended the season with 35 strikeouts, which put him in tie for the league lead with Scranton.

Meckwood was disappointed with the team's showing. However, the team is comprised mostly of freshmen and should give the coach a good season next year. The seniors he will lose this year are Price, Bobby Breyemeier and Lamper.

The Junior Varsity ended the season with a great second half. Meckwood is looking for some new faces on the team next year. With this year's seniors and the new recruits, Meckwood is hoping that they can win a few more games next season.

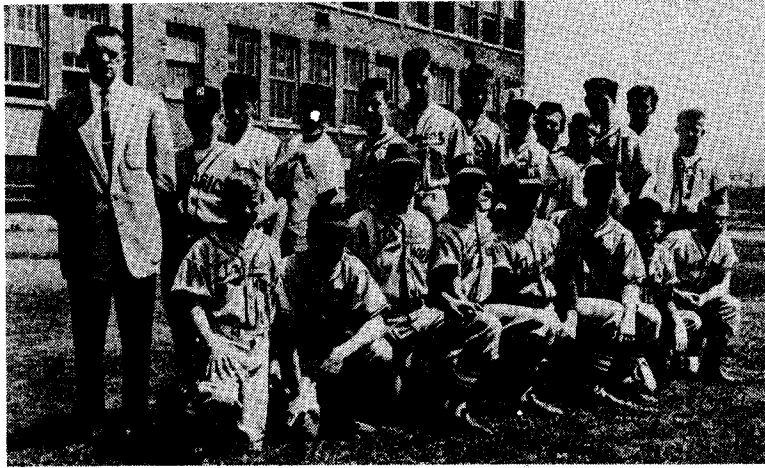
## ish For Fun

According to reports, there are many boys at T-M who claim to be fishermen. In other words, they believe that they are the best fisherman in this part of the county.

Many of them are anglers, but it isn't necessary to be a Mr. Walton to enjoy fishing. Many people like to relax and be close to the water. They spend many leisure hours under a shady tree or in a rocky boat out in the lake, casting for white fish.

At this time of the year, the men's attention turns to the streams and lakes are with people who try to catch one of these acrobatic, jumping fish. It is said by the high jumping trout most spectacular fresh in the world, and die every method they can latch on to a wily rain-trout, or brookie. These may range from the use of a nightcrawler to the dry fly. Using the dry fly is considered to be the most

## Coach Mekilo and the J.V. Baseball Team



## JV Baseball Team Ties For Second-Half

It has been no secret that the Junior Varsity Baseball team of Taylor-Moosic had several seasons without wins. That jinx was broken this year when the J.V.'s compiled a 1-4 record in the first half of the season. With four victories out of five games played, they went on to tie North Scranton for the second half championship.

In the first half, Mekilo's Mets, as they were affectionately called, lost a few close games. They were leading in a few of those games, but could not manage to hold the lead.

However, the second half was a different story entirely. The hitting and fielding improved. With some brilliant pitching, the team went on to tie for the lead in the league.

Facing North Scranton for the second half championship, the boys journeyed to Schaudt Stadium in Dunmore. North drew first blood with three runs in the bottom of the first. The boys did not let up and tied the score in the top of the second. However, North came through with two more runs, and went on to defeat the T-M Vikings by a 5-3 margin. Bob Adomik spun a three hitter, and Paul Condefer chipped in with two hits, but it was not enough to set back the team from Scranton.

Members of the J.V.'s are: R. Adomik, P. Condefer, J. Ciannilli, B. Hogan, T. Merritt, E. Trescavage, E. Kneiss, J. Day, J. Ozark, P. Strein, L. Lamphear, T. Reed, G. Beck, J. Sopko, J. Day, R. Prokopovitch, D. Gursky, and F. Decker. Tom Lisowski and Bill Gaidula acted as managers for the team.

## Last Call For Yearbook Orders

As a special offer, the business

## T-M Girls Beat North Pocono At Softball

For the first time in T-M history, a girls' softball team has been organized. Although not yet officially connected with school activities, the team played its first game under the "Viking" name on May 2.

Arrangements for the game, which was played at North Pocono High School, were made by Miss Joy Pilosi, girls' Physical Education director at North Pocono. The female "Vikings," sparked by the alert and accurate maneuvers of Kathy Ott, emerged victorious after seven long, exhausting innings. The final tally was 11-2.

Members of the winning team are: Gretchen Von Bergen, Kathy Ott, Roey Ialak, Martha Ann Thomas, Mary Ellen Powell, Patricia McGarrity, Terry Zembeck, Mary Samsock, Norma Jean Davis, Kathy Garafola and Georgia Gaidula.

The Viking Press hopes that this game with North Pocono will mark the beginning of more sports activities for girls at Taylor-Moosic.

## T-M Participates In Golf Tournament

T-M boys have been showing a lively interest in the game of golf recently. Al Dorunda, Joe Kozloski, George Yakubisin, Jack Phillips, and Marlin Salerno represented Taylor-Moosic at the first High School Golf Tournament, held at Scranton Municipal Golf Course.

Unfortunately the date of the tournament was May 23, the day after the Prom. Only two of the senior boys, who were definitely in need of sleep, managed to finish the round of golf. Others failed to make it past the eleventh hole. However, the boys are still interested in golf and are sure that if

## Three Vikings Chosen For Dream Game

Bill Ozark, T-M's outstanding football back, will represent his team in the annual "Dream Game" on August 14 at Memorial Stadium in Scranton. A leading ground gainer and scorer, Bill was Captain of the Viking football squad last year. He was also awarded Honorable Mention for All-Scholastic.

Tom Killino, tackle, and Steve Lamper, guard, were also chosen to represent T-M. The three seniors saw much action during the '63 football season.

The "Dream Game" this year is the thirty-third annual football classic to be sponsored by the Lions Club of Scranton. Exceptional players from city and county high schools of Lackawanna Valley comprise the opposing teams for the contest. Proceeds from the game are used in the Lions Club program for sight conservation.

## Weight Lifting Begins At Taylor-Moosic

The Physical Fitness Classes at Taylor-Moosic have started a light course in weight lifting. Mr. Connors, who realizes that there are only a few more meetings of the Physical Fitness Classes, feels that any lifting done now will be an excellent beginning for those members who plan to continue lifting during the summer months.

Mr. Connors, however, is disappointed at the failure of upper classmen to participate in these classes. Their help is definitely needed to instruct and guide the freshmen who are not yet acquainted with the fundamentals of the calisthenics.

Recently, because of good weather, the Physical Fitness boys were able to get out of the gym to run around the track a few times. All of the activities provided by these classes can help the boys at T-M to become physically fit. However, it must be remembered that participation is the key factor. No one can become physically fit simply by reading about the activities.

## Physical Fitness Team Enters Contest

Mr. Connors, physical education instructor at T-M, has been emphasizing physical fitness in his gym classes. Record was kept of the number of push-ups, sit-ups, squat thrusts, and pull-ups done by each member of the several gym class. High scorers included Bud Kania, John Day, Glenn Thomas, Paul Strien, and Bob Kania.

On May 5, these boys, as a team, represented Taylor-Moosic at a Physical Fitness Contest which was held at Forest City High School. The contest, sponsored by the U. S. Marines, included par-



## MOOS TAYLS :-:

There are some bits of news that may have escaped the attention of the average T-M student, as he went about in the pursuit of happiness—and an education! For instance, did you know that: the nurse's office is now equipped with a telephone . . . seniors have been measured for their caps and gowns . . . very little decorating for the Prom was done during school hours as compared with other years . . . that two boys, who shall remain nameless, made a brave attempt to wear Bermuda shorts to school. . . members of the band and its auxiliary units received blazers. . . the Commercial Department has some new typewriters. . . some seniors are still taking College Boards . . . sophomores are planning a really big party. . . a certain girl can practice typing during other classes—without a typewriter. . . one sophomore group lists Latin as its most interesting class. . . juniors made all those flowers for the Prom decorations from facial tissue, of all things. . . in the library are posters which tell what seniors will be doing what things after they graduate. . . among the freshman there are several brothers and sisters of graduating seniors. . . members of physics classes are eager to do electrical work for any one who will trust them. . . certain people trade sandwiches every day at lunch period. . .

Some things are so obvious around T-M, like the fact that we had Confusion Day. But have you noticed: the Christmas decorations stashed away in the corner of Room 30. . . the interesting techniques used by some girls to snare a Prom partner. . . the new drinking fountains. . . a junior girl, incidentally, refers to one of the newer ones as "Old Faceful". . . the number of cars in the parking lot. . . the new pay telephone in the lobby downstairs. . . that the Freshmen have no class officers. . . that another year has passed and T-M still has no Future Teacher's Club. . . some juniors are still exhausted from decorating for the Prom.

Congratulations are in order for Pattie McGarrity, the winner in the N.H.S. Spelling Bee. A salute, also, to the other participants, especially the boys. Congratulations to Carol Pehanich, who was awarded a \$25 bond in an essay contest recently.

Special salute to everyone who participated in "Seasonal Varieties". . . to the girls who helped to make the costumes. . . to the stage crew who were so limber of leg and fleet of foot changing scenery between acts. . .

As the time comes for graduation, this old moose wonders if the day will ever come at T-M when: seniors remain hard working, industrious, diligent and dependable right up to and including the first week in June. . . boys are not hungry enough to steal lunches. . . teachers forget that such things as term papers exist. . . the chemistry laboratory is large enough to accommodate an entire Chemistry Class.

## British Explorer Speaks In Assembly

At a recent Assembly, a most unusual thing happened at T-M. The entire student body went seal hunting, not literally, but by the flawless diction and subtle humor of our British speaker, Mr. Graham Young. Although, he was not the scheduled speaker, Mr. Young subbed beautifully.

Since he is a Fellow of the Royal Geographic Society, a prominent scientist and explorer, Mr. Young is widely traveled. Here at T-M, he gave a detailed account of the life of a seal from its birth, on through its bitter struggles for existence. However, it was evident that most of the females in the audience could not have cared less what happened to a seal, since their attention was focused on Mr. Young's dapper appearance and his flawless British accent.

Incidentally, it might be added, that he is the son-in-law of the Director of the American Geographic Society.

Mr. Young came to T-M at a very opportune time. With so many of the students gone on the Beatles, Mr. Young was welcomed with open arms.

## Juniors Attend Career Day At Keystone

Hurrah! The juniors finally went on a trip! On Friday, May 1st, eighty-nine members of the junior class, chaperoned by Mrs. Merritt and Mr. Helcoski, boarded the school buses to set off for Keystone Junior College at La Plume. The occasion was the Annual Career Forum, sponsored jointly by Keystone College and the Kiwanis Club.

Ten different career classes comprised the forum. Taylor-Moosic students were required to attend three of these classes. Well-known guest speakers from such fields as law, medicine, engineering, and education discussed their chosen professions and answered questions posed by the students. T-M girls seemed to show special interest in the medical secretarial session. They learned that bookkeeping and typing are essential for that course, but that Latin is not required. Physical education, law, State Police and forestry classes attracted the attention of most of the boys.

Approximately 1000 students from other high schools in the Northeastern Pennsylvania area attended the forum. Anyone who did not take Mr. Helcoski's advice to bring a lunch from home, and had to try to get something to eat in the cafeteria, can testify as to the size of the crowd.

A bit of excitement occurred as the buses were ready to leave. Five T-M students who apparently liked Keystone so much that they did not want to go home, were nowhere to be found. Following a frantic search by the chaperones, the five sauntered into view. With everyone accounted for, the juni-

## STEPHANIE SAYS

*"Some Enchanted Evening You May See A Stranger"*

Yes, boys, "You may see a stranger" on prom night, that special night when every girl will look prettier than ever.

Girls will look lovelier and more feminine in long enchanting gowns this year. Styles are no longer full with mounds of hoops and petticoats. Gowns are now bell-shaped, A-shaped, and figure flattering. Another new look entering the prom scene this year is the Empire Look. Colors are white, pale aqua, pink, and mint green. Fabrics are usually organza or a combination of silk and rayon. A new combination of material for prom gowns is eyelet over organza, giving gowns a lacy appearance.

The maiden's knight in shining armor will be wearing formal attire fashioned in colors to match milady's gown. The male lead will also be seen in seersucker stripe tuxedos in such shades as pale blue and cranberry. The white tuxedo with the red plaid trim is also gaining in popularity.

No matter what type gown a girl may wear, she will look lovelier than ever this spring at Taylor-Moosic's "Some Enchanted Evening."

## N. H. S. Travels To New Jersey

The National Honor Societies of Taylor-Moosic and Old Forge High Schools spent May 7 at the Ford Motor Plant, Mawah, New Jersey. The trip and tour of the plant were arranged through the courtesy of Mr. DePaulo, manager of Glenwood Motors of Taylor. Mr. DePaulo, who believes that Honor Society members should be rewarded for their efforts in maintaining high averages during their high school years, has acquired at least twenty-two good friends at T-M.

Included in the day's activities were the tour of the Ford Plant, lunch in the plant cafeteria and, of course, the trip to New Jersey. A short quiz was held to test what the students had observed during the tour. John Krenitsky, N.H.S. president from T-M, won the prize, a travel alarm clock.

The N.H.S. wishes to thank Mr. DePaulo for his fine gesture in honoring the students from both high schools.

## Seniors Employed As Secretaries

From time to time the Viking Press has reported the appointments of academic students to the various colleges of their choice. Now we are pleased to announce that several girls from the Commercial Department have received notices that they will be employed in area offices as clerks, typists, stenographers or bookkeepers. Among these girls are: Susan Berlew, Third National Bank; Linda Bichler, Third National Bank (Taylor Branch); Faith On-

## While Strolling Through The H

*While strolling thro  
hall one day,  
In the merry, mer  
of may,  
I was taken by sur  
By a pair of roving  
And landed on my  
the hall!*

This bit of poetry (?) to my attention the fact are many different ways ing through the halls of school. For instance, th way of walking without where you're going. Fr vation, it would be reas say that this is the mos way of hall walking. People who practice th are constantly bump doors, drinking fount other people. In fact, th walking can cause the pass his classroom whe a class, so that he must r steps to get to his d. Some one has said that who does not watch wh goin g should be blind- one day, and subjecte consequences thereof!

In addition to those as if they do not know w are going, there are stud do what is known as sl ing. The victims of this so slow that a turtle c them out. If such a wal countered in the hall, thing to do is to slow u behind him. Passing h an impossibility, sinc usually accompanied b three of his friends wh slow walkers. They walking three abreast, why you can never pass.

More interesting that walking is the kind tha girl watching. Boys, considered to be g usually acquire this h early in their high schoo. These gentlemen are so j they not only allow a gi them, but they stop to v until she is out of sig viously, this type of wal not get one very far, without a doubt, the m able type of hall walki.

Another very pleasur walking through the h hand-in-hand walking. reason, this kind seems teachers. Time and ti they remind students th: getherness is not in g. However, since high sc are in favor of any ki getherness, hand-in-ha ing continues to be very.

Finally, there is the walking that involves watching, no day-drear no hand holding. This ty may be referred to walking, gets the studer on time without any tions. To some studer walking might be consid uninteresting, and borin is done solo, and usually son who is more inte getting a high populari.

Since we have no about hall walking at dents are free to indul type of walking that si If, however, the Studen were to insist that we