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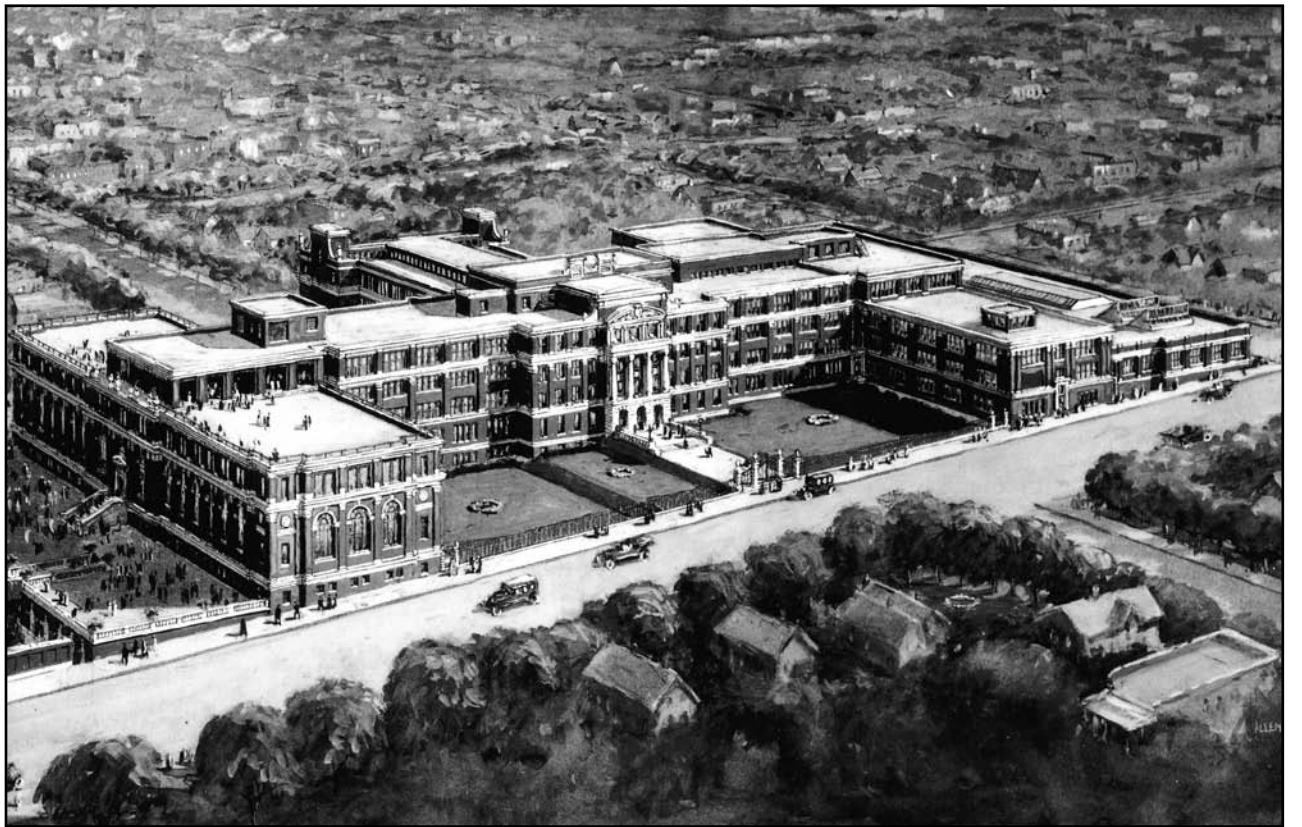
Omaha, Neb., June 2014

Extra! Extra! World Record Setting, Tech All-School Reunion Planned!

In October, 1923, Technical High School Opened as the largest and most innovative High School West of Chicago, a place where students could learn a trade while earning a diploma. Thousands of students walked the halls of Tech High and went on to become community leaders and leaders of industry.

August 1-3, 2014, Tech High Students will gather for an all-school reunion. We've invited notable alumni from all over the country to attend the reunion, confirmed attendees include a 104 year-old woman who was one of Tech's *very first graduates*! Planned events include tours of Tech High, Dinner and Dancing at the Century Link Center, and a Concert in Mid-town.

If you attended Tech or the Career Center, WE NEED YOU! Help celebrate the life of this amazing institution. Come share your memories and meet other alumni for a weekend of fun and reminiscing. We're shooting for the World's Record for the largest gathering of former students, and we have the numbers to accomplish this goal if YOU help us out. Spread the word to other Alumni, and we will see you in August!



Artist's rendering of Omaha Technical High School, 1921

Why Omaha Needs Another Tech High

by Allan Lozier

When Tech High was built, it was specifically designed to furnish training across a wide range of occupations. It emphasized various trades, Machinists, Electricians, Carpenters, Plumbers, etc. Shop classes existed for all of those occupations and many others. This idea was ahead of its time. The country was building, expanding, and growing to meet the increasing population. Many of Omaha's Tradespeople got their first training in these classes.



Eventually, as trade became global, the type of training Tech High provided was de-emphasized. The western growth of Omaha and newer high schools that didn't offer training in the trades further exacerbated the decline of Tech high. Tech finally closed after 60 years of operation- the victim of changing times, a changing workforce and changing demographics.

Once again, there is a growing demand for highly-trained tradespeople. The machines that shifted workers out of blue collar jobs now need highly trained technicians to program, repair, and operate them. Machines that didn't exist 60



One of Tech High School's many shop classes, 1923

years ago, such as lasers, Computer Numerical Control (CNC) punching, notching and shearing, automatic welding, and other specialized and customized equipment require maintenance by skilled workers.

Skilled technicians to run and maintain CNC machinery are in short supply. Add to that a constant shortage of machinists, welders, tool and die mechanics, electricians, plumbers, etc. A modern Tech High would be of immense value today. Germany, which makes some the finest CNC equipment in the world, trains its workers in schools much like Tech High.

A modern Tech High could meet those demands. It could provide hands-on labs and workshops for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and MINT (Mathematics, Information Science, Natural Science and Technology) curriculum. What Metro Tech does today, and updated and innovative Tech High could provide with, at most, one additional year of schooling.

Will the U.S.A. ever regain its position as a maker of high quality presses and other CNC equipment, a position that has been lost to Europe and Japan? Only time will tell.

Tech High Students Enter New Building

Year of Waiting Have Finally Come to an End

Incomplete Condition of Structure Requires the Exercise of Unusual Care on the Part of Students

REGULATIONS ARE OUTLINED

From "Technical News,"
October 1923

After many weeks of waiting, the doors of the new Technical High are opened in welcome to three thousand students. Since the building is not yet completed, and since the rooms and corridors are strange to all pupils, the principal's office announces that it is necessary that certain rules be carefully read and followed.

TRAFFIC

Use only the Cuming street, Thirty-third street, and thirty-third and Burt street entrances. Do not try to inspect the building now; there will be time for that later. All stairways are marked, some for going up and some for going down. Watch the printed instructions and keep to the proper stairways. Walk — do not run — in the corridors. Since there are approximately three thousand students in the building the traffic conditions will have to be observed with the same care as they are in the city streets.

ROOMS

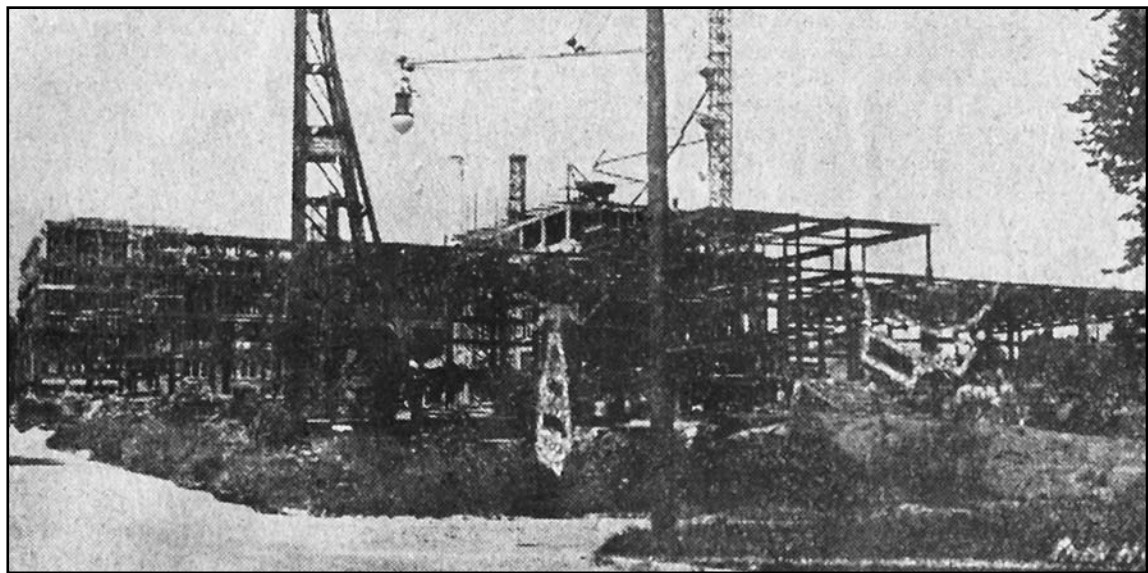
Remember how the

rooms are numbered. There are five floors, the first floor being the 100 floor, and the top or cafeteria floor being the 500 floor.

The first number of every room in the building gives the floor. The rest of the numbers gives the location of the room on the floor. All rooms numbering 01 to 19 are in the east or gymnasium section. All rooms number 20 to 49 are in the center or main section. All rooms number 50 to 59 are in the auditorium and cafeteria section. All rooms from 60 to 89 are in the west or laboratory section. All rooms from 90 to 99 are in the extreme west, the shop section. Thus in room number 463, the first number indicates the 400 floor, while 63 indicates the room setion on that floor, in this case the west or laboratory section, as explained above.

LOCKERS

Locker numbers will be given on the program cards. In most cases the lockers will be near the home room. The first number of the locker indicates the position of the locker on the floor. The locker numbers



New building under construction, circa 1922

start in the east end of the building on each floor and extend around the building in order following the right, back to the beginning point. Thus in locker 3-12, the first 3 indicates the 300 floor, and the -12 shows the location of the locker on that floor.

When a pupil locates his locker, he will find it closed by a combination padlock which he cannot open until he receives the combination. This combination he receives when he deposits seventy-five cents and will be refunded whenever he returns the lock in good condition. Students are prohibited from sharing their lockers with anyone unless authorized to do so.

LUNCH

The cafeteria is large enough to take care of all pupils in three lunch shifts. All pupils, whether they buy lunch or bring it, will eat in the cafeteria. There will be no lunching in the

class rooms, corridors, or outside of the building.

As pupils go into the cafeteria they will buy checks at the north end of the room, and then will pass down the middle of the room in line, taking tray, glass, silver, and napkin, as they wish.

When through with lunch, each one will place all dishes on the tray and carry it to the rack provided at the side of the room. Each student will put his chair back in place for the next person.

After lunch, as far as time permits, before the bell each one may go through the east corridor to the open air roof.

It must be understood that while on this roof no one will take hold of the fence that protects the pupils. Taking hold of the fence or climbing on it is absolutely prohibited, for there is danger in such practices.

Remember that three

million dollars have been invested in this building and its equipment in the belief that the pupils are worthy of it. Pupils should show that they are worthy by taking care of the building and the property just as they would take care of their homes.

A scratch in a piece of cardboard can be covered up by another piece of cardboard, but a scratch in a slab of marble will remain there and be seen for fifty years.

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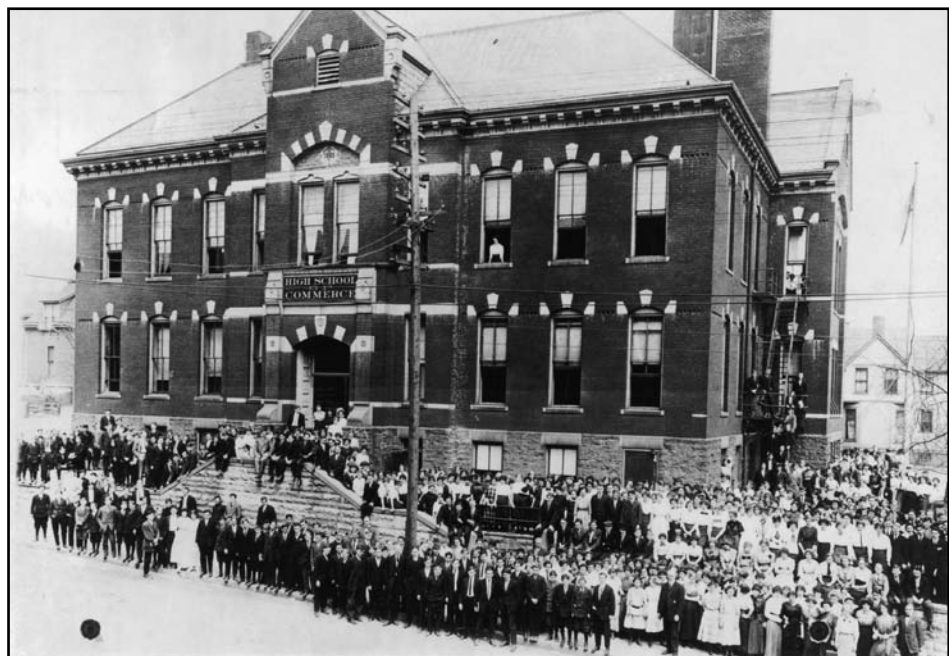
COMMERCE HISTORY ENDS WITH QUARTER

School Loses Old Name — To Be The Omaha Technical High School

From 1923

This is the last quarter for Commerce. On next Monday the Omaha Technical School will be the one we will attend. Under the name of Commerce the school has grown from a small department of Commerce in Central High School to a school of nearly 3,000 pupils with buildings covering both sides of Leavenworth street from 16th to 20th streets. It has grown to be the largest high school in five states. This is a typical Commerce record. The Omaha Technical School is our new name. It will be given to the new building which will soon be finished, and which will be one of the finest high school buildings in the country, with two gymasi-

ums and a swimming pool. This is the change which has been wrought in ten years. This new building is costing the taxpayers of Omaha a great deal of money. The proposition is squarely up to us. We must show the people of Omaha, by our conduct and citizenship that we are worth all that they will give us. Let us have our old spirit with us for the little while we shall be in our old buildings, and let us make our new name stand for all that good citizens of the school want it to stand for — fair play, sportsmanship, and a regard and respect for what we are going to be. Farewell, Commerce. We will never forget you. We shall miss you, but all that you have taught us



Old Commerce High, 7th & Leavenworth, circa 1922

in the years we worked and played together we shall never forget. Your spirit will never die. Welcome, Omaha Technical High School. We are going to make

you the best high school in the country. Commerce has taught us how to work together, and all that she gave us is yours now. We can because we will.

SMALLEST FRESHMAN IS ENROLLED IN TECH

Angelo Rossitto Is Three Feet Tall and Weighs Fifty Pounds

TAKES FIVE SUBJECTS

From "Technical News," February 1924

Angelo Rossitto, a graduate of Edward Rosewater, is in all probability the smallest freshman to enter the new Technical High School, for although he is fourteen years of age, his height is but three feet and he weighs only fifty pounds.

"Little Ange," as he is called by his friends, is a hardworking lad. He earns his own expenses by selling papers for the Omaha Bee.

He will not grow any taller than he is now, but even this does not keep him from being full of pep. To show the world that he is full of pep, "Little Ange" has entered one of the gym classes of Tech.

Last year, during the baseball season, he was mascot for the Eatmore Candy Co. team of Class C League. This team finished in first place, and much of the credit was given to the mascot.

Since "Little Ange" is so little that he can't even reach the lock on his locker door, Mr. Porter has had a stool placed near it.

Mr. Porter has also given him an elevator pass as well as other privileges.

His face beams with a smile

at all times. Nothing is too serious for him. Many people stop to stare at him as he stands on the corner selling his papers, but even this does not irritate him.


"Little Ange" is one-half the height of Louis Vojtech, a member of the Ecremmoe Debating Club, who towers 6 feet 2 inches. This shows the enormous size of Louis when he stands alongside Angelo, and brings to mind a modern Mutt and Jeff.

Angelo is taking English, business relations, European history, civics, and gym. He expects to attend Tech until he graduates.

"Little Ange" lives at 1441 South Eleventh Street with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rossitto, and his two brothers and one sister. He sells papers at the entrance to the Peters Trust Building, 17th and Farnam.



Angelo Rossitto



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Sousa Presents Band A Silver Loving Cup

From October 1928

A large silver loving cup was presented to the Tech band by Lieutenant Commander John Philip Sousa Monday night.

Inscribed on the loving cup were these words, "Sousa loving cup presented to the Omaha Technical High School Band, October 8, 1928."

Mr. Sousa also led the Tech band in one of his marches, "Liberty Bell." Mr. Sousa then requested the regular conductor, Mr. H.W. Wendland, to lead the Tech Band in one of Sousa's marches, "El Capitain."

Some of the members of the Tech band had the opportunity to shake hands with Mr. Sousa.

Herman Mertens, president of the Tech band, presented Mr. Sousa a



bouquet of flowers as a gift from the band.

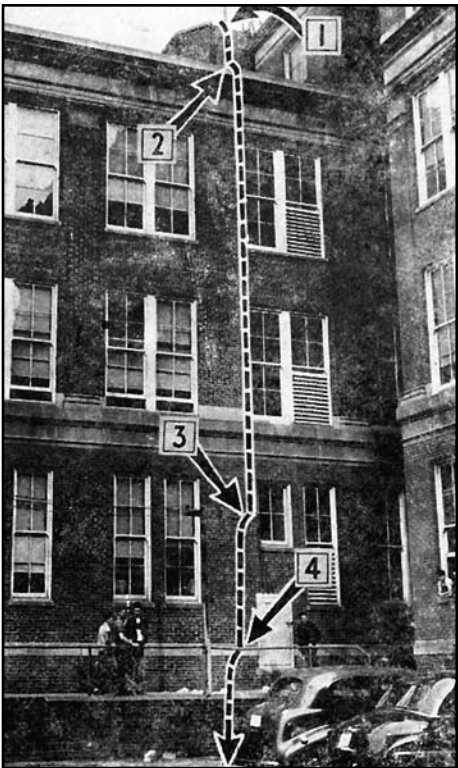
Quick Drop for Worker, Youth Falls From Roof

From 1950

One of the big stories of the year came almost at the close of the semester as 20-year old Harold D. Vroman toppled 45 feet from the top of Tech High to the teachers' parking lot at the rear of the school.

Vroman is still in the County Hospital and his injuries were described as "not serious."

The incident occurred just before May 18, and the accident was witnessed by Mrs. Davis, George Reid and Neal Mosser. The latter two gave Mr. Vroman first aid until the ambulance arrived.



At right: Here's a full scale view of where Harold Vroman fell and received two broken legs plus a brain concussion. (1) Cornice where he was working; (2) ledge where he slipped; (3) dead wires which broke his fall (4) railing and finally ended in the parking lot

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Mikado Plays December 2-3

From "Tech News," 1940

This year's opera is now under way, under the direction of Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Davis, Mrs Reynolds and Mr. Randall. The name of the opera will be the "Mikado."

As this is to be Mrs. Ellis's last year at Tech, she has chosen the "Mikado" for the opera, which will be presented December 2 and 3.

Gilbert and Sullivan composed the opera. These two Englishmen also composed "Pinafore" and the "Pirates of Penzance," which are also popular in the Tech High auditorium.

This will be the third time the "Mikado" will have been presented at Tech. The last one was about nine years ago.

The story takes place in Japan, although the circumstances involved may take place in any country. There are typical and colorful costumes worn by the cast.

The "Mikado," has been so expensive that it attracts many people on the strength of its reputation,



Here's MUTT and JEFF (alias Allan Lozier and Don Myers) who are the business managers for "The Mikado." These boys will be in charge of the publicity for the December opera.

being gay, humorous and affording genuine diversion. One finds so many surprises and exposures of human follies that the popularity of this piece is well deserved.

- The main leads in the "Mikado" are as follows:
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| The Mikado of Japan..... | Paul Dolan |
| Nanki-Poo..... | Bob Bonacci |
| (His son is a wandering minstrel, and in love with Yum-Yum) | |
| Ko-Ko..... | Les Weatherman |
| (The Lord High Executioner of Titipu) | |
| Pooh-Bah..... | Charles Kroll |
| (Lord High Everything Else) | |
| Pish-Tush..... | JimCotch |
| (A Courtier) | |
| Yum-Yum..... | ShirleyPalmer |
| (Ko-Ko's ward "from school.") | |
| Pitti-Sing..... | Ramona Johnson |
| Peep-Bo..... | Elaine Thorson |
| (Pitti-Sing and Peep-Bo are Ko-Ko's friends, the other little maids from school.) | |
| Katisha..... | Delores Dokansaky |
| (Elderly lady in love with Nanki-Poo) | |

Should a Girl Quit School?

From the 1940s

Dear Anna Jean:

I am a junior at Tech and I'm 16 years of age. My mother and father have confronted me with the question whether I should quit high school and go to a Comptometer school. Then get a job and make up my senior year during night classes.

I would like this plan, but it would mean I would lose out on all the senior activities and such. It would mean working, working, and working with no play.

Then too there are always some good points to every story, and I feel that this subject is not any exception. It would mean that I would have a job during the extreme high wages, and that I would be able to have experience for the period of inflation. Which way shall I look at this question? Can you help me?

You quit school; borrow much money, I take it, to go to Comptometer school; finish the Comptometer school; get a job; work hard to "make good" during the day and go to night school evenings, because you know a person without at least a high school education will be "out on a limb" as soon as the war is over.

As you say, you'll have all work and no play. That might make you a "dull girl."

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Dear Miss Manners...

A girl I like is always chewing gum. What do I do? What do I tell her?

Hopeless

Dear Hopeless:

Again we arrive at an old subject, one on the evils of which we have heard teachers expound in the past and one which, unfortunately, still has to be discussed in the present.

What is this subject which, like love, is old yet ever new?

Many, no doubt, who took biology under Mr. Morey in the old building remember the article which hung on the wall, and to which any one whom he saw chewing gum was referred.

According to this article, a person chewing gum resembled a cow peacefully chewing her cud and contemplating the scenery from a green field.

Surely, most Tech students do not in any way resemble a dumb animal. We at least claim the attributes of common intelligence and consider ourselves above dumb creatures.

Let us abandon the cud!

Year Unknown

‘Tech’ It Or Leave It!

A woman likes a man who has a will of his own – made out in her name.

It’s the lesson he learns across his mother’s knee that makes a youngster smart.

If a man will go as fast as he can see, he will be able to see farther when he gets there.

People have a way of becoming what you encourage them to be, not what you nag them to be.

Love, Peace and Soul from the Classs of 1972

Coach Alexander and Hearn taught me life lessons

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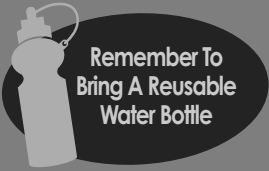
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Honor Monarchs at Game, Dance

From 1959

A rainy, cold Friday evening marked the night for the annual meeting of rivals, Tech and Central. It also marked the tenth annual Tech Homecoming.

Despite the cold, gloomy weather, Tech spirits were high as half-time brought about the crowning of the new Tech royalty.

Altogether there were 18 candidates representing nine clubs.

The 18 candidates were chauffeured onto the field in nine new convertibles. Then there was a long hush as the 1959 King and Queen were announced. The King as Preston Love and the Queen Dorothy Feaster. The Prince was Ron Carlson and the Princess was Janice Slama.



Preston Love was the candidate from the T club; Dorothy Feaster was the candidate from the Red Cross; Ron Carlson, Senior Choir; and Janice Slama was the candidate from Pep Club.

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Honor Trojan Craftsmen in Kearney Fair

From 1967

Nebraska's State Craftsman's Fair was held Friday, May 12 at Kearney, Nebraska.

The outstanding award winners were Dennis Scott in vocational machine shop for a mini-dozer and Robert Kohlmeier for a house jack.

Other winners were Jim Wyman in vocational machine shop and Ralph Miller, first and second place in electronics.

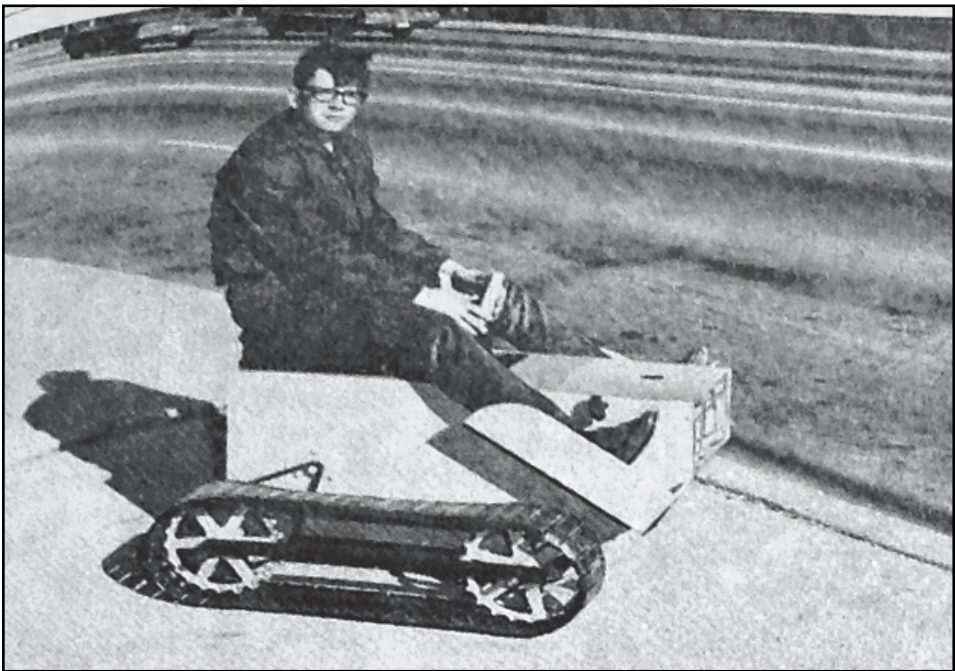
John Peters, Jim Wilson, Ken Harris, Ron Franklin, made second place. Ralph Gerdes and Robert Kohlmeier tied for third place. Honorable mention goes to Leo

Bednarz, Larry Kier, Tom Elliott. Tyrone Green, Suzanne Hier, Yoshi Matsuda, and Don Tutt received first place ribbons in the art contest.

Gale Sharp and Suzanne Hier were the second place winners and third place awards went to Don Tutt, James Allen, Suzanne Hier, and James Mayer.

Honorable mention went to Yoshi Matsuda for his record cover and brochure.

Steve Culver and Pat Knutson participated in the Plymouth Trouble Shooting contest at Lincoln, Saturday, May 13.



Dennis Scott shows off his award-winning mini-dozer

Pictures on the Rat Menace Shown Representatives

Year Unknown

Wednesday, December 10, the regular Junior Red Cross meeting of the homeroom representatives was held in Room 275.

Bernard Anderson, the new president, called the meeting to order and asked for reports from Bonita Sands, public relations chairman; Margaret Allen, intercity Red Cross treasurer; and Jack Bartlett,

treasurer of the Tech Red Cross.

Two movies on the rat menace on our country were shown. These moves showed what great destruction the rats are causing to the nation. They also showed how rapidly the rat population is increasing. Different poisons and ways on administering them so as to get rid of the rat family were stressed.

Students Face Storm to Attend Rehearsal

From 1923

Eight members of the Tech senior orchestra established a record for dependability by attending pageant rehearsal in spite of the storm on Friday, September 28. Mr. Henry Cox, director of the Nebraska State Teachers' Association pageant, wrote the following letter to Mr. Porter:

"For your citizenship record; the following members of the Tech

senior orchestra have just attended a special evening pageant rehearsal during a violent rainstorm:

"Cecille Potter, Frances Taylor, Pearl Taylor, Ida Jacobson, Douglas Eddy, James Hedding, Ed Rassmusen, Nelson Short."

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW
REPORT MONDAY AS USUAL

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Honor Malcolm X At Tech Program

Tuesday, May 18, 1971, marked the year in Technical High history that a memorial service was held for Malcolm X.

The memorial service started at 1:30 p.m. and lasted until 3:00.

There was a play marking the life of Malcolm X given by the Negro History Club.

Charlie Washington, who works at the Urban League of Nebraska, gave a 15-minute tribute to Malcolm X. Edra Williams, a juinor at Tech High and a member of the Black History Club, gave a rap on Malcolm X and how he wanted to see all Black children get a good and honest education.

One of the most remark-

able things that stemmed out of the Malcolm X program was that of a black poet named Ben F. Gardner. Mr. Gardner was born in Arkansas and attended Public Schools in Oklahoma, where he attended Davis University there.

Mr. Gardner gave three poems written by himself on Black Pride, Self Awareness and of Malcolm X.

Miss Joyce Reed, Miss Black Tech, sang the Black National Anthem.

After the speeches and introduction of persons who were on the memorial program, there was a film on the life of Malcolm X, which showed the change in him at the end of his life, indicating he wanted brotherhood among all men.

Electricity Class Sells Arc Solders

Year Unknown
The vocational electric-ity class held at meeting Friday, April 18, in Room 367.

Mr. E.J. Jull, class spon-sor, showed the class

some new books he had purchased. The students reported that wire and arc solders will be ready to sell soon.

African Leader is Speaker at Tech

Year Unknown
An African official ad-dressed Tech social studies classes March 30.

Giving first-hand ac-counts of life on the con-tinent was His Excellency Chief Linchew II, of the government of Botswana.

He is his nation's ambas-sador to the United States.

The speaker told 40 members of Tech's Black History Club that his

nation gained its indepen-dence in 1966.

About the size of Texas, Botswana has more than 650,000 citizens.

Economic survival is complicated by long bor-ders with the apartheid countries of the Union of South Africa to the south, and Rhodesia to the east, he said.

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Kathy J. Trotter, Class of '70

From 1921

A Halloween party for all the freshmen at Cuming Street annexes will be given next Friday from 3:30 in the afternoon, to 7:30 in the evening.

The lunchroom will be the scene of the merri-ment for the fun seekers in the evening, while the afternoon stunts will be given on the athletic field. Each home room will have charge of its own refresh-ments and will eat together,

but a few are planning to invite another home room.

The committees for plan-ning the party have been chosen. The chairman for the committees on after-noon stunts are Mr. Martin for the boys and Mrs. Gar-ing for the girls.

The chairman for the eve-ning stunts is Miss Pearson. Order throughout the party will be superintended by Mr. Thompson, Mr. Naza-rene, and Mr. Yoder.

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Tech Wins Class A By More Than a Hare

Prep Handed 91-73 Defeat

From 1963
By Conde Sargent
Prep Sports Writer

The greatest offensive basketball show in history earned Omaha Tech the 1963 State High School Championship.

Led by 6-1 Fred Hare, a cinch all-stater for the second year, Tech thoroughly trounced Intercity rival Creighton Prep in the championship game, Saturday night, 91-73.

The victory total of 91 was the best ever in any state championship game and ran the Trojan total for the 3 games to 249 points.

That, sports fans, averages out to 83 points game or over 2 ½ per minute.

Surprisingly the easy Tech trod through the 1963 tourney proved to show more than the two-man efforts of Hare and 6-3 Joe Williams.

Saturday night, the Tro-

jans were a sound basketball team – right through all 5 starters – as Jerry Mosser, coach Neal Mosser’s son, Richard Lerhdahl, and Harold Crowe all came through in the crucial 4th meeting of the year with Prep.

Tech followed 3 other state championships off the Nebraska Coliseum court Saturday.

The popular climax to the 3-day state meet drew and afternoon crowd of 8,000 and 10,500 for the final session

Other titlists were:

Class D – De Witt, 49-47 over Herman for the tourney’s only unbeaten champion.

Class C – Utica, 59-57 over Gibbon, despite a 46-point showing by the losers’ Kurt Lauer, a 6-7 ½ junior who totaled 105 points for the tourney.

Class B – Falls City, 56-51 in a comeback against Minden.



For Tech coach Mosser, the triumph was most gratifying after 4 technical fouls on the Tech bench led to the protested loss to Lincoln Northeast in last year’s championship game.

Mosser remained jumpy around the bench this year, but most were jumps of joy as his Trojans annexed the school’s first basketball championship since 1926.

Saturday’s game, the first title tilt between two Omaha schools since Prep

defeated Center in 1924, was billed as a close one.

Prep had lost two of 3 to Tech during the season but supposedly had better team balance.

Not Saturday night.

Hare and Co. completely outclassed the Junior Jays, hitting 57% from the field as Prep led just briefly in the first quarter.

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Tech Wins its first state grid title OVERWHELMS CAMBRIDGE COLTS BY SCORE OF 16 TO 0

LeRoy Zust is Star of Game Making
Both Touch Downs

From "Tech Dailiy News,"
December 1924

Tech’s mighty eleven crushed Cambridge High, last Saturday afternoon in the Tech stadium, by the score of 16 to 0 for the Nebraska Interscholastic Grid Championship.

The sixteen points represent the contribution of two touchdowns by LeRoy Zust, Tech’s stellar halfback and a safety scored by Carroll.

Cambridge outweighed from end to end put up one of the most stubborn fights that has been displayed in the Tech stadium this season. Along with victory goes sweet revenge. The Tech '24 team returned the compliment that the '20 Cambridge team handed Tech.

Drummond’s Techmen outplayed, outguessed and outfought the western Champs in every department of the game. Easter and Co. tried the ends but Captain Short and Garvey were there blocking every attempt of the flashy backs on end runs. They had heard of Tech’s mighty line,

but now they saw it, and probably will never forget it. Prerost, Hall, Winston, Knight and Lucas, tackling like demons, halted the hardbitting Vest and Easter.

Cambridge then attempted an aerial game, but the Tech backs stopped them in that. What could they do? Nothing but fall back on the defense and this they did especially well; holding Tech twice in the shadow of the goal posts.

East, Tech’s flashy half-back, proved himself of all-state caliber. It was Zust who did most of the passing, and it was Zust who did most of the returning.


In Memory:
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Six Tech Swimmers Have Won High Honors

From 1938

Louie Blumkin, a little fellow who can twist, twirl and somersault like a circus acrobat, has brought national recognition upon Tech High for his expert diving, by winning a berth on the All-American swimming team of 1937.

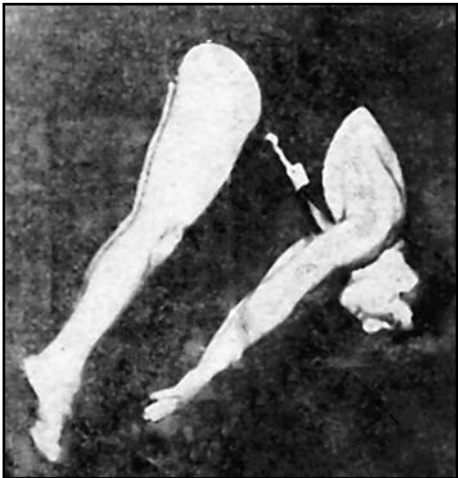
Louie was undefeated in prep meets last year as a diver and is judged by Cal Hubbard as being one of the best divers ever to cut the water in the Maroon pool.

Blumkin is the sixth Tech swimmer to gain All-American honor, others being; Clarence Waidelick, William McCulley, Ham Anderson, Don Housh, and Jack Hinchey.

Blumkin's best performance was the winning of first place in diving at the Kemper Military Academy meet in which state champions from five states competed.

Again in the Midwest A.A.U. meet of 1938, he showed his remarkable diving by losing to Richard Leask of the University of Nebraska, by two points.

C.C. Hubbard, Louie's coach says, "He won first place at Lincoln and that alone is a great accomplishment. He performs just as well as before a strange crowd as before a home bunch. Louie's diving success is a result of his ability to perform just as the right time, and when to apply the twists



Louie Blumkin

properly."

He performs all the twist dives with ease, pulling off back one and one-half gainers and back one and one-half somersaults seldom seen in high school circles.

There isn't a dive in the book Louie can't do with reasonable success. Louie, who would make a dive hanging by his teeth if they gave him points for it, is timid and modest to talk about himself.

He is eighteen years old, one hundred twenty pounds in weight, and five feet five in height.

He's always working hard, always practicing and always helping others.

He is a good student, and is never ineligible.

Louie would be a sure bet for the state championship this year if he were eligible, but he has had twelve quarters and his is ineligible in this, his thirteenth quarter.

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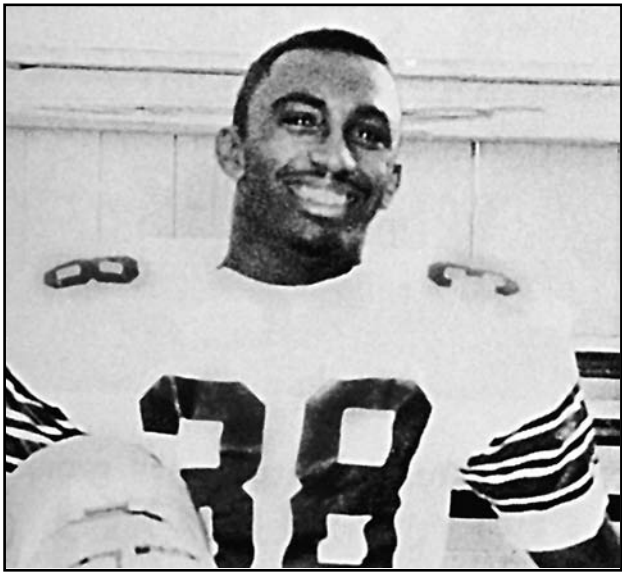
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Sports Spotlighter Section

Johnny Rodgers



From "Tech News," 1967

The end zone at Bergquist Stadium is the most reasonable spot to find this week's Sports Spotlighter, John Rodgers.

Last year, among several thousand of high school football backs, John was chosen as one of the best hundred. The 5' 11" 168-pound wingback is one of the captains of this year's football team, and scored five touchdowns in the first two games.

Besides playing football, he likes to play basketball, in which he was a guard on last year's basketball team. He also enjoys playing center field on the baseball team, in which he hopes to become a professional. He is tops also in track.

John said he likes to dine on grapes, meat loaf, salisbury steak, orange juice, and other party drinks.

Jim Houston



From "Tech News," January 1959

Jim Houston is this week's Sport Spotlighter. He's a six-foot, two-inch end on the varsity football team.

In his freshman year he was on the freshman squad. He made the reserve team in his sophomore year.

Jim was in the T Club and lettered in track, second team basketball, and varsity football for two years.

He participated in the Junior-Senior Prom as candidate for prince.

During the summer vacation Jim worked at the rodeo. He has no definite plans for the future, but would like to keep working the rodeos as an extra summer sport.

Boozer Smashes Basketball Record

From 1959

Bob Boozer, a Tech graduate, is the highest scorer in Kansas State basketball history. Every point he makes breaks the school record.

He has broken the record of Jack Parr on 1,184 points by totaling 1,356 points in the 2-1/2 seasons he has been at Kansas.

Boozer has also established records in two other categories – 4 points in a

single game and 544 points in one season.

Bob is among the ten top scorers on the nation and is leading in the Big Eight with 106 points in four games. He is averaging 40 percent from the field and 78 percent at the free throw line.

His bread-and-butter shot has been a medium range jumper.

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A Big Day for Tech!

Trojans Cheer Homecoming of World Series Hero Bob Gibson, Ace Card Pitcher

From 1967

Tuesday, October 17, was a big day for baseball fans in Nebraska. This day was designated as Bob Gibson Day in Nebraska. Bob Gibson, a former student at Tech High, was commended for having won three of the four World Series games for the St. Louis Cardinals. Bob, now a celebrity, has appeared on the Ed Sullivan and Johnny Carson shows.

He also received a new Corvette from Sports Magazine for being the best pitcher in the National League. On this special day Bob visited schools he had attended, and he encouraged students to stay in school and get the most from their education. At an assembly at Tech, he was presented a gold T and certificate by former basketball coach Mr. Neal

Mosser and a certificate by T Club president Ernest Britt. His wife, Charlene, and two daughters, Renee and Annette, were presented corsages by varsity cheerleaders Althea Nash, Lynne Reed, Anna Miller, and Barbara Robinson. After leaving Tech, Bob and his family attended a public affairs luncheon given in his honor at the Civic Auditorium.

Some Can Kick It

By Edgar Wilburn, 1970

Caution: Cigarette smoking may be hazardous to your health. This is a warning, this is for real. It can mean additional years to a person's life. Many of Tech's faculty members realize this and have quit smoking. This group includes Mr. Roy L. Valentine, Mr. Carl B. Palmquist, Mr. Charley Hepfinger, and Mrs. Mary Jelinik.

Mr. Valentine and his wife smoked their last cigarettes January 8, 1968. They have stashed into a "nicotine fund" savings account a total each month of \$35, representing money they would have spent on the fags. This \$900 plus has financed a vacation, paid some medical bills and helped finance two Christmases. Mr. Palmquist reports he was a chain smoker until

1941. Then, he began to feel it was unfair to expel students for smoking, while he himself smoked. He began to feel better after he quit. Now, he is very glad he quit, in light of recent medical research. Every member of this teacher group has gained the pleasure of kicking the habit. The respect of others is with them. Still, some think by smoking they are with it. With what?

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