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## Jim Hofmeister Tours Capital

"It was great, just great!" exclaimed Jim Hofmeister, Academy junior, after returning from Washington, D.C.

Jim's trip to the nation's capital was 1st place prize in the VFW's Voice of Democracy Contest.

Leaving on the afternoon of Mar. 4 in a Boeing 727, Jim arrived in Washington the next morning.

Shaking hands with Vice-President Humphrey, Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Senator Robert Kennedy (D., N.Y.), was all part of the trip.

Jim, sight-seeing in a chartered bus with 53 other winners, proceeded to the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, Mt. Vernon, the National Archives, the Smithsonian Institute, the Voice of America studios, and the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

During his 4½ days in Washington, Jim visited the Senate and the House of Representatives while they were in session. He shook hands with his representative, Compton I. White (D., Ida.), and caught a glimpse of Senate Majority Leader, Everett Dirksen.

The group watched the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery and placed a wreath on the grave of President John F. Kennedy.

A side trip to Williamsburg was of special interest. There the Virginia House of Burgesses is restored to its 17th century beauty.

On his last night in Washington, Jim attended a Congressional banquet where the awards were announced before an audience of 1500 to 2000 people.

## IHM Senior Wins Legion Contest

Valerie McRill, IHM senior, is the area winner of the 29th Annual Oratorical contest held at the Legion hall, Moscow, Ida.

Valerie competed with contestants from Sandpoint and Lewiston and next will compete at the state contest to be held at the Idaho State University, Pocatello. Her traveling expenses will be paid by the local Legion.

The contest consists of two parts: the prepared oration on the topic "Powers of the States Under the Constitution" and on extemporaneous talk on some phase of the U.S. Constitution.

## Faculty Selects State Delegates

Joseph Erickson and Stephen Dolan will represent IHM Academy at Gem Boys State, Sister Avelina, principal, announced this week.

Janice Smith and Lynn Gebhart, Academy juniors, will go to Syringa Girls State.

Boys State alternates are James Rarick and Patrick Harrington. Patricia Ransom and Margaret Riplinger are Girls State alternates.

The boy and girl starters were selected by members of the faculty for their qualities of leadership, character, scholarship, self-reliance, courage and initiative.

The 1966 course of the American Legion's Gem Boys State will be held June 5-12, at Boise College, Boise. The American Legion and the Knights of Columbus each sponsor a delegate.

The 20th session of Syringa Girls State sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at Nazarene College, Nampa, June 11-18.

PRAY FOR  
VOCATIONS



# Delegates Attend Workshop

An "interview" with a pert, young Miss Bardahl and a sober-eyed look at a bottle of Jim Beam were the highlights of a trip to Seattle by two members of the Press Club.

The members, Joe Erickson and Steve Dolan, attended the Sixth Annual Northwest High School Press Workshop at Seattle University. The Workshop, consisting of 181 teenage journalists from 27 high schools, published a paper, The Student Prints, in 24 hours.

The purpose of the Workshop is to provide teenagers with a working, learning journalistic experience. Delegates traveled from British Columbia, and four states--Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Montana--to attend the Conference.

Each reporter for the paper is given an assignment and is expected to write a story for the paper.

The "pert young Miss Bardahl" isn't a lady at all but a brand new hydroplane that sports two roostertails and a rear-mounted engine. Facts about the boat were dug up by Joe Erickson in an interview with the public relations director for Bardahl Corp.

The "booze" was viewed by Steve Dolan at the criminology lab of the Seattle Police Department where all alcohol used in crimes must be analyzed.

Both articles were written up in The Student Prints and the story on Miss Bardahl won the "best news-feature" award.

### HAPPINESS IS:

- . . . no French homework.
- . . . an assembly.
- . . . a full tank of gas.
- . . . shortened periods.
- . . . a Saturday morning sleep.
- . . . winning the tournament.
- . . . a clean silk screen.
- . . . a copying machine for transcripts.
- . . . having press assignments in on time.

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# 1966 LAUREL STAFF NAMED

Joseph Erickson, IHM junior, is the new editor of the Laurel, succeeding Mike Ransom. Joseph, former assistant editor was chosen by Sister M. Mariel, Laurel adviser.

▶ Other new staff members include Theresa Roche on alumni news and Nancy Novak on exchange. Mike and Pat Gray and Ed Mihelich will join Bob McFarland on sports.

▶ Those assigned to news articles are: Steve Dolan, Mark Balantyne, Bob MacDonald, Phyllis Bauman, Nancy Novak, Debbie Castellan, Susan Galles, Joan Jaeger, Ron Douglas, and Theresa Roche.

▶ Production includes: S. Dolan, P. Bauman, N. Novak, B. MacDonald, S. Galles, B. Sonnichsen, and J. Jaeger.

### EDITORIAL

## WE SALUTE . . .

With the changing of the Laurel staff occurring at this time we think it appropriate to express our sincere thanks to Mike Ransom, former editor, for all the hard work he has put in on the paper.

During the past year Mike has published eight issues of the Laurel, no mere achievement. The Laurel's journalistic quality is proof of his hard work and determination.

We would also like to thank Patricia Keane and Linda McDonell in particular for their countless hours of typing articles and stencils.



# ALUMNI NEWS

## GENERAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McMahon '36 renewed their marriage vows for their 25th wedding anniversary Feb. 12 at the 8:00 Mass.

They have two children, Maureen '60, and Kathleen '63. They were married by Fr. Troit Feb. 11, 1941 in St. Thomas Church.

Mary Spain '24 spent a two week vacation in Hawaii last month. She is employed by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management in Coeur d'Alene.

Airman 3C Wayne Kies, '64, has graduated from Sheppard AFB in Texas. He is being assigned to Nellis AFB, Nevada, for duty with the Tactical Air Command.

Gary O'Connell '65 was appointed vice-president of the NIJC Associated Student Body. Gary is also president of the Newman Club and member of the a capella choir.

Mrs. Howard Kilborn (Jeanette Earin '32) is currently vacationing in Mexico City.

Patrick Roche '61, senior at St. Martins College, attained 4.0 average in the first semester and has been named for the 2nd time to Who's Who---Colleges and Universities.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Rarick '40 (Mary Broderick '40) recently enjoyed a trip to Hawaii.

Cathy Heriza '64 was representing the Drama Dept. of NIJC at the Linfield College Tournament held at McMinnville, Ore. March 3 to 5. Cathy is a first semester drama student.

Mrs. Robert Riplinger

(Kathleen Burke '62) is employed by the General Telephone Company in Coeur d'Alene.

Linda Walter '65 was one of eight NIJC music students to receive a scholarship as a result of fund-raising efforts for the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital.

Cathryn Andrews '65, Marilyn Gross '65, John Mihelich '64, Diane Wachter '64, Barb Scharff '64, Maureen (McDonell '64) Fromm, Gary O'Connell '65, Linda Walter '65 made the Dean's list at NIJC with a 3 point average.

Marilyn Gross '65, a Junior College Freshman, was recently awarded a \$100 scholarship by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. David Sonnichsen '60 are the parents of a son, Daniel Christopher, born Jan. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. James Conrow '60 are the parents of a daughter, Linda, born Nov. 5.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Webb '62 (Mary Tanguay '62) a son, Patrick.

## CONDOLENCE

The faculty and students wish to express their sympathy to:

Sister M. Beatrice on the death of her sister.

Mrs. Louis Neeser on the death of her mother; Michael '60, Pat '63, Tom '65, and Jerry '67 Neeser on the death of their grandmother.

## Virginia Bowser Places First In Art Contest

Four Academy students won top honors in a city art contest, sponsored by Coeur d'Alene Women's Federation, March 12.

Those receiving honors are: Virginia Bowser, 1st, Melody Denius, 2nd place; Steve Popiel, 3rd place; Jerry Neeser, honorable mention.

The winning exhibits will be taken to the district convention, Lewiston, on March 30.

Winning pictures will be on display at Sonnichsen's Agency, Fifth and Sherman. Others may be viewed in the showcases at the Academy.

## Classes Take Two Tests NEDT - NMSQT

Students of the IHM Academy took two tests in February. The NEDT test was given to the freshmen and sophomores. The following day 20 juniors took the NMSQT test.

The NEDT test is designed much like the High School Entrance Test. Its main purpose is to show which subjects the student is good in and which subjects the student is lacking in.

The NMSQT test helps prospective college entrants qualify for scholarships. The awarding of many scholarships is based on the scores of this test.



# SWINGIN' SCHOOLS



Robin  
Hultner

With Basketball season victoriously over, the Pep Club can retire, so to speak, for another year. But this year's spirited group will leave its mark on the school for many years to come. Of course I am referring to its far reaching, newly revised constitution. No more will it be the unorganized effort of the past.

One of the new features to be put in effect next fall is the "point system" borrowed from Twin Falls High School. Meant to promote spirit and unity among the members, this plan will award points for various activities, such as attending games, wearing uniforms to important games, making posters, etc. Periodically the points will be tallied up to determine the members in good standing whose pictures will appear in the yearbook.

An idea borrowed from the Boise High School Pep Club has recently been acted upon here in the Academy. That is an annual Sadie Hawkins Dance meant to help the cheerleaders pay for their outfit. However the proceeds from this year's dance will go toward purchasing new heads for the bass drum.

Still another provision--one which is bound to raise commotion this spring--has been passed regarding the election of the cheerleaders. For years, many students have felt that the entire student body and faculty should be allowed to vote. This idea has finally been accepted.

These measures and a few more will indeed bring order out of confusion IF...if they are enacted next fall. Let't hope that they are!

## NIJC Debaters

### Demonstrate

Members from the NIJC debate team, coached by Richard Hyneman, performed for students of the IHM debate team.

Representing the college were four students two of whom debated.

Participating in the exhibition debate were John Shelton in the affirmative position and Patsy Brown in the negative position.

Mr. Hyneman is looking forward to a successful season for the IHM debaters next year.

## Academy Scores

### Essay Honors

IHM Academy recently placed three honorable mention winners in the 1965 Hire the Handicapped Essay Contest. Those winning the honors were: Joseph Erickson, Sharon Wachter, and John Wakefield. These three entries were sent to state along with the first three winners from CHS.

First place winner at state level receives \$100 and a trip to Washington, D. C. to compete for the first place prize of \$1000 in the national contest.

## U of I To Hold Press Meet

The annual University of Idaho Journalism conference will take place this year on April 1 and 2 at Moscow, Ida.

The press conference enables students interested in journalism to listen to discussions concerning yearbooks and school papers.

In these discussions the delegates also will take an active part in discussing correct techniques in writing news articles, sports articles, and features, and will try to solve some of the difficulties in putting out a school paper.

Professor Walter Stewart of the Journalism faculty at the University will review Yearbooks judged this year and offer comments and advice on improvements.

## "Sadie Hawkins" Succeeds Again

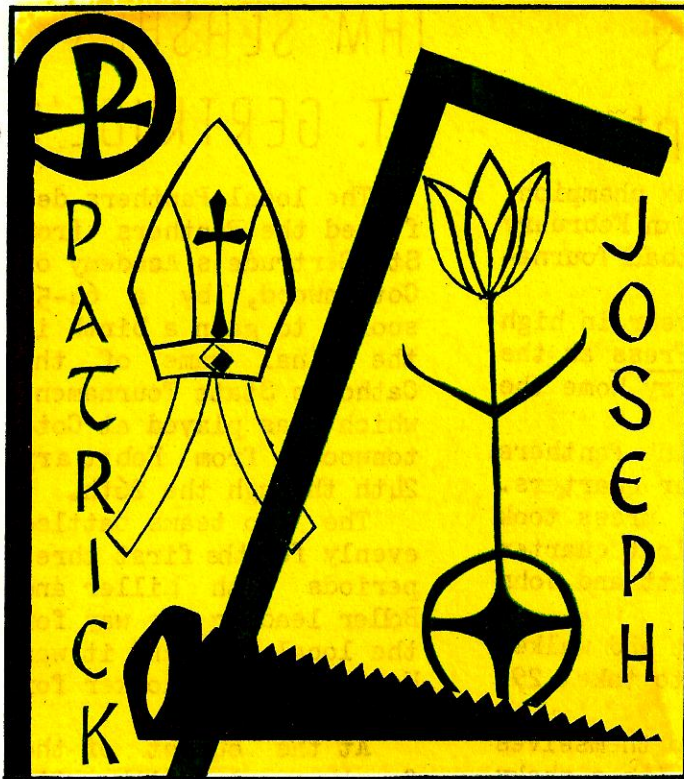
Grubby clothes was the feature of the Sadie Hawkins dance held on Feb. 21 from 8 to 11 p.m. in the Brown Gym.

Everyone was dressed in proper hillbilly attire and acted in accordance to their dress and the atmosphere.

Mike Gray, dressed as a fat old man, and Lynne Gebhart as Little Miss Muffet, were the winners for the funniest costumes and were awarded a three-foot sack of pop corn.

Weddings and divorces were performed by Marryin' Sam Pat McCormick.





## Sts. Patrick and Joseph Share March Honors

During the month of March two very special saints are honored by the Catholic Church. These two, St. Patrick and St. Joseph share the limelight just two days apart.

The feast of St. Patrick Magonus Sacutas, March 17, reflects the great respect which is given him on this day.

St. Joseph, patron of a happy death and of the worker, is venerated on March 19. He was a quiet and just man who worked hard to support his small family.

St. Joseph can be said to be the man nearest to Christ. He served as the faithful and prudent servant fulfilling the task as protector of the Holy Family.

## IT'S A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH

A bit o' Irish green, a gigantic parade on New York's Fifth Avenue and the mention of a saint who drove the snakes from the Emerald Isle, all bring to mind March 17, the feast of St. Patrick.

Since the story of this great Saint is known so well, let us refresh some of the facts about the land of his love. Ireland is about the size of our own state of Maine. No part of the land is more than 50 miles from the sea, and the two most important industries are ship building and the making of Irish linen.

The Lakes of Killarney and the Blarney Stone, the beautiful Celtic Cross and the harp are the most important symbols of this lovely land. The longest river in Ireland is the River Shannon, after which many Irish children are named. This land has been called a sportsman's paradise, for its varied climate fosters the existence of many different species of animals, and there are no snakes.

The old religion of Druidism is replaced by Christianity. And, by the way, St. Patrick was not the first Catholic missionary to convert Irishmen; yet he was so influential that the anniversary of his death is the only national holiday celebrated in Ireland.

## Glee Club To Present Concert

The Academy Glee Club, under the direction of Sister M. Alphonsa, will present a Spring Concert in the L.V. Brown gym, April 5 at 8:15 p.m.

Over 25 songs will be presented including "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "Old Mother Hubbard."

## Club Purchases Retreat Leaflets

The Sodality, a religious club in the Academy purchased 120 pamphlets which were used at the recent retreat. The brochures, dealing with faith and morals, were acquired to update and replenish the supply of pamphlets which were used in previous years.

"How to go to Hell with Dignity," "Mistakes about Mary", and "Understanding the Changing Church," were some of the pamphlets picked out by Sodality members.

## Press Club to give St. Patrick's Dance

The Press Club will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day dance, Thursday.

The purpose of this dance is to help pay for the Moscow Press Conference to be held April 1, 2.



# Panthers Crush Knights to Capture Tournament

IHM Academy Panthers downed the defending champion, the Bishop Kelly, Knights, of Boise, 55-50 on February 26 in the Idaho Catholic High school Basketball Tournament of Cottonwood, Ida.

It was termed the biggest upset of the year in high school basketball by the Coeur d'Alene Press as the Panthers stifled eighth ranked Kelly to carry home the trophy.

Despite the close margin of victory the Panthers outscored their opponents in three of the four quarters.

The game opened slow when the Panther press took hold and the northerners romped to a 16-8 first quarter lead behind the shooting of John Hartnett and John Miller.

In the second frame the Knights got hot and walked all over their Panther counterparts 21-7 to take a 29-23 lead into the dressing room.

The third period saw the Panthers regroup themselves and come back strong to leave the Knights with a shaky two point lead of 39-37.

In the fourth quarter the hustling Panthers pressed hard to sneak to a three point lead with two minutes remaining. Here the stalling Panthers hit on four of five free throws and rode out the victory.

The Panthers finished the year with an 18-4 record and brought home two trophies. After the game Coach Boyle was quoted as saying, "It was the finest display of teamwork he has seen in high school basketball."

## ACADEMY FANS WELCOME VICTORIOUS PANTHERS

The victorious Academy Panthers received a rousing welcome home from students of the Academy, on Feb. 27, after the team captured the 1966 Idaho Catholic High School Basketball Tournament at Cottonwood, Ida.

A caravan of cars over a mile long greeted the surprised Panthers as they made a triumphant entry into town. Many parents, students, and members of the faculty were at the Academy to extend their congratulations.

At an informal gathering in the Brown gym, arranged by the Pep Club, Coach Gene Boyle remarked, "As far as I am concerned the best team won."

Coach Boyle then introduced all the senior players. He praised them for their team effort which he accredited their win to.

Coach Boyle thanked the boosters, the cheerleaders, the manager, and his assistant coach for their combined efforts.

The assembly was closed by Rev. Daniel Debolt CSsR pastor of St. Thomas Church.

## IHM SLASHES ST. GERTRUDE'S

The local Panthers defeated the Panthers from St. Gertrude's Academy of Cottonwood, by a 64-55 score to gain a birth in the final game of the Catholic State Tournament which was played at Cottonwood from February 24th through the 26th.

The two teams battled evenly for the first three periods with Miller and Boller leading the way for the local lads and it was Hoene and Baerlocker for St. Gertrude's.

At the outset of the fourth quarter with a tie score of 42-all, Dave Boller got in foul trouble and was forced to leave the game. Here Big Paul Fromm came off the bench to contribute a fine 12 point effort to lead the IHM through a 22 point final stanza to down the St Gertrude's team which was held to a mere 12.

In the scoring column it was Miller 21, Boller 17, and Fromm with 12 points for the IHM boys and it was Hoene, Baerlocker, and Britton with 15, 14, and 11 respectively who led the St. Gertrude's team.





# SPLINTERS FROM THE BENCH

Bob McFarland

Once upon a time there was a little guy. He was a lot smaller than those around him whom he played in sports, but he always managed to hold his own in the tough competition. He had good years and bad years, but was always respected by the others as a tough little scrapper and one who might easily pull the biggest upsets.

A little more than a year ago another little guy named Boyle came to live with this small fellow. Together they fought through a couple of tough seasons and suddenly, to everyone's surprise, they popped up with a great baseball season. Then, with the coming of autumn, the little guy put down his bigger opponents and played a perfect football season. Just recently this same "shrimp" got the idea that he could beat some of the bigger names in basketball, and he played an 18-4 season. To top it off he took on one opponent that was three or four times his size, rated 8th in the state; and beat him to become the State Parochial Champion.

Now the people of his area realize that, though he is indeed a little guy, this fellow is a darn good fighter and has to be reckoned with as one of the toughest opponents around. Yes sir, that little guy has made a great name for himself, and he's got ideas about keeping it up. He's a big figure around here, and he's going to stay that way for a long time.

# PANTHERS TAKE LAST FOUR GAMES

The weekend of Feb. 18-19 saw the IHM Panthers continue their winning streak.

►Friday John Miller and Jim Russell teamed up to spark IHM to victory by a score of 66-60 over the Kootenai Warriors.

►Saturday, the Panthers took their sixteenth victory by downing the Lakeland Hawks 63-23 in the preliminary game at NIJC gym.

►John Miller led the scoring with 12 pts. and every member of the team joined him in the scoring column.

The NIJC vs. WSU frosh game which followed was the highlight of the evening.

## IHM vs St. Maries

Feb. 12 saw the IHM Panthers win again, this time against St. Maries by a score of 72-44.

John Miller and Dave Boller led the winners with 20 and 19 points respectively.

## IHM vs Kellogg

Kellogg ~~Wildcats~~ went down to defeat 66-58, at the hands of the IHM Panthers.

The Panthers traveled to Kellogg on Feb. 7 and met the Wildcats on their home court.

Dave Boller led the Academy's upset with 29 points.

# BASKETBALL RESUME'

IHM	44	Post Falls	48
IHM	65	Newport	45
IHM	78	Bonnors Ferry	58
IHM	54	Newport	49
IHM	83	Priest River	48
IHM	68	St. Maries	47
IHM	57	Priest River	32
IHM	44	Riverside	55
IHM	71	Priest River	49
IHM	76	Cottonwood	47
IHM	50	"	48
IHM	49	Post Falls	63
IHM	74	Kootenai	59
IHM	55	Bonnors Ferry	71
IHM	66	Lakeland	38
IHM	91	Clark Fork	47
IHM	66	Kellogg	58
IHM	72	St. Maries	44
IHM	66	Kootenai	60
IHM	63	Lakeland	23
IHM	65	Cottonwood	55
IHM	55	Bishop Kelly	50
WON:	18	LOST:	4

YE COACH!  
YE TEAM!

## Baseball Season to open soon

With basketball a thing of the past, Coach Gene Boyle is turning his talents to the coming baseball season which he estimates will begin in about three weeks.

Eight returning lettermen are his mainstay for the season. They are: John Miller, Dave Boller, Jim Rarick, Mike and Pat Gray, Ed Mihelich, Bob Elgee, and Tom McFarland.

The pitchers will be warming up a few days before the rest of the team.



## Students Pen Winning Essays On Wildlife

Three IHM Academy students won top honors in an essay contest sponsored by the Cd'A Wildlife Federation.

Seven students received honorable mention and were presented with Federation membership cards.

The essay topic was: "Fishing and Its Recreational Importance in Idaho."

Winners were: James Hofmeister, first place; Steve Dolan, second place in the senior high division and Laura Jo Hovevar third place in the junior high division.

Receiving honorable mention in the senior division were Michael Harrington, Jerry Jaeger, Janice Smith, Linda Blessing, and Tom McFarland; and in the junior division Donna Shively and Joanne Brueggeman.

## Academy Holds Science Fair

The Academy held its own Science Fair on March 11, for the first time. The science exhibits, prepared by students of the Academy, St. Thomas and St. Pius X schools, were on display in the activity room and the biology and physics laboratories.

The winning exhibits will be entered in the North Idaho Science Fair next weekend.

Winners in the Physical Science division are: 1st place--Christine Koontz and Leslie Fraijo; 2nd place--Sheila Johnston; and 3rd place--Mark Balantyne and James Russell and Honorable Mention Ann MacDonald and Ann Kryger.

In the Biological Science division: 1st place--Rosalie Schaffner, 2nd place--Rea Novak and Sharon Wachter; 3rd place--Gleta Long and Susan Poitevin; and Honorable Mention--Bernadette Brooten.

## Further Changes Made By Council

"I will go to the altar of God--to God who is the joy of my youth." This quote from Psalm 42 describes the way Catholics will all begin Mass after March 27.

The continuing changes in the Mass, initiated by the Vatican Council, will on that date bring about almost complete transformation in the vernacular of the vocal parts of the Mass.

There will be no liturgical modifications, however.

Changes in the fast and abstinence laws were put into effect at the beginning of Lent.

Catholics under 14 are no longer required to abstain from meat on Friday, and adults over 21 and under 59 must fast only on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

As these changes were announced by the Vatican, it was emphasized that Catholics are still urged to perform penances under their own volition.

## Jesuit Conducts Winner

"It was clearly the best we've ever had," was the comment of junior Steve Dolan regarding the recent spring retreat. "I sure learned a lot about friendship and maturity."

Retreat master Father O'Malley, S.J. conducted separate retreats for the freshmen-sophomores and the juniors-seniors. Many students expressed their approval of this arrangement because it allowed conferences geared to the respective age groups.

Another new aspect of the retreat was the voluntary evening discussion period offered to each class. Mike Harrington commenting on the senior discussion said, "We should have done this when we were freshmen."

Jerry Nesser summed up the retreat in this way, "I think this retreat was excellent, but that remains to be proven in the weeks to come."

## LAUREL Merits

### Press Award

The Laurel, IHM school newspaper placed second in Class A division at the Northwest Catholic School Press Workshop held at Seattle University.

This is the first year the Academy has participated in the Northwest workshop.

Class A division included schools with enrollment under 250.