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## Honors Presented To Boy Scouts In Ceremonies

Recognitions, awards and presentations of merit badges were the order of the evening as Boys Town's Boy Scout Troops held their Scout Night last month.

Msgr. Nicholas H. Wegner, director of Boys Town, welcomed the Scouts, Scouters and guests, and Mr. Roy Rasmussen presented charters to the three Boys Town troops.

Father Wegner also gave special recognition to Mesca District Scout Executive Ken Brown while Mr. Patrick J. Norton presented recognition to Mr. Vern Knoblauch, Post Advisor of Ship 37, and Scout Executive Brown recognized Boys Town Ship 37, winner of the Covered Wagon Council Regatta.

Awards to individual Scouts were made by Mr. George Novak.

One Life Scout and one Star Scout award was presented, along with 17 First Class Scout ratings, 32 Second Class ratings, and 69 merit badges.

Al Lanxon and Gregg Novak, both of Troop 37, were advanced to Star and Life Scout ratings, respectively.

In other awards in Troop 37, the following received First Class rating:

Terry Costello, Steve Cholka, John Gadd, Roger Rotzinger, Boniface Ruiz and Ed Spengler.

Receiving Second Class Scout rating were Ron Arotin, Larry Dooley, Jesse Duarte, Robert Griego, Mike Kielisek, Fred Lemmo, Robert McVay, James Mills, Joe Norton, Jim Osborne, Larry Paquette, Kim Rasmussen, Joe Roth, Mike Rotzinger and Francis Stapleton.

Merit badges were earned by the following members of Troop 37:

Ronald Arotin, Robert Griego, Joe Norton, Joe Roth, Roger Rotzinger and Ed Spengler, all for Citizenship in the Home. In addition, Rotzinger received a merit badge for canoeing, and Spengler for first aid.

Merit badges in canoeing were earned by Terry Costello, Jesse Duarte, John Gadd, Mike Kielisek, Fred Lemmo, Cal Millard, Jim Mills, James Osborne, Larry Paquette, Kim Rasmussen, Vic Sokol and Francis Stapleton. Sokol also earned a merit badge for rowing.

Other members of Troop 37 earning merit badges were John Browers, Charles Lucas, both for cooking; Al Lanxon, first aid and cooking, and Randy Rasmussen, hiking.



The Boys Town Concert Choir, now embarked on its 18th concert tour of national scope, shown on stage of the Boys Town Music Hall in a picture taken shortly before the group left on tour. The Choir, under the direction of Msgr. Francis P. Schmitt, will travel through Midwestern and Eastern states as far as New England before returning home early in December.

## Boys Town Choir Is Embarked On 18th Annual Tour

The Boys Town Concert Choir, under the direction of Msgr. Francis P. Schmitt, is now embarked on its 18th tour of national scope which takes them through the Midwest and East before returning home Dec. 9.

On the 1963 tour, the choristers will present a total of 39 concerts in 32 cities in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Missouri, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey, and Ontario, Canada.

Before they left on tour, the choristers also presented a program at West Point, Nebr., and taped a program for KUON-TV, the University of Nebraska educational television station at Lincoln.

Up to the present time, the choir has given concerts at DeWitt, Iowa; Davenport, Iowa; a televised High Mass at St. Cloud, Minn.; Hudson, Wis.; Stuart, Iowa; St. Louis, Mo.; matinee and evening concerts at Indianapolis, Ind.; Minnetonka, Minn.; Detroit, Mich.; Sandusky, Ohio; and Brantford, Ontario, Canada.

The remainder of the itinerary is as follows:

Nov. 8: Lakewood Civic Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio, 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 11: St. Theresa Hall, West Roxbury, Mass., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 13: Lynn Memorial Auditorium, Salem, Mass., 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 14: High School Auditorium, North Andover, Mass., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 15: High School Auditorium, Greenfield, Mass., 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 16: Rippowam High School, Stamford, Conn., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 18: High School Auditorium, Honesdale, Pa. 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 19: High School Auditorium, Watertown, N. Y., 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 20: Memorial Auditorium, Utica, N. Y., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 22: High School Auditorium, North Adams, Mass., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 23: High School Auditorium, Gloversville, N. Y., 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 24: Lourdes High School Auditorium Poughkeepsie, N. Y., 2:30 and 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 25: Boys Club, Pittsfield, Mass., 8:00 p. m.

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## Gridders Score In High School Class Elections

Members of the Boys Town high school varsity football team swept the elections for class offices in the upper classes, with all officers of the senior and junior classes being varsity gridders.

In addition, the new president of the sophomore class also is on the varsity squad.

Elected senior class president was Daniel Riely, Grand Forks, N. D. A major letterman in football, playing the guard position, he also serves as a Councilman and as a Commissioner in the Boys Town self-government program.

He also served as president of his junior class, and is active in Scouting.

Senior vice-president is Darrell Oswald, starting right halfback for the Cowboys. Darrell, who came from Mitchell, S. D., is in his second year as a regular on the football team, and also has a major letter in baseball.

Like Riely, he serves as a Councilman and as a Commissioner in the Boys Town city government.

George Buckler, Waldorf, Md., is the class secretary for this year. George is the starting fullback for his second year, and is the only two letter winner on the Cowboy squad this year.

He also has two major letters in track, participating in the sprints and the field events. In addition to athletic prowess, he has been a member of both the Boys Town Choir and the Boys Town Band for the past five years, and is interested in dramatics.

Jack Kelly, Grand Rapids, Mich., who plays fullback for the Cowboys behind Buckler, is the new president of the junior class. In addition to a major letter in football, he won a major letter in track, and freshman letters in football and track. He is an assistant commissioner in the Boys Town government.

Daniel Chesire, Omaha, Nebr., is the junior class vice-president. A substitute halfback on the football team, he also has minor letters in football and track. Dan is the youngest of five brothers who have been Boys Town citizens. His older brothers, Charles, Tom, John and James, all have been graduated from the Boys Town high school.

Junior class secretary is George Madara, Camden, N. J., a substitute halfback who won a major letter last year. George broke an arm in an early season game, and has been lost to the team since. He has been a member of the Boys Town Band for

## Boys Town Mourns Neil Fennel Death

Boys Town staff members and young citizens are mourning the death of Mr. Neil Fennel, a long-time Boys Town coach, who died recently of a heart attack.

Mr. Fennel came to Boys Town in June, 1949, as a coach in the grade school gymnasium.

Before he retired in 1958, he had taught many hundreds of Boys Town citizens to swim. Besides being a fine instructor, he also coached the grade school swimming teams, and produced many a champion in the Nebraska-Iowa Youth Swimming League, which he helped organize.

the past three years.

Carl Cook, Arlington, Va., was elected president of the sophomore class. Carl is a substitute end for the Cowboys, and has won freshman letters in football and track, as well as a major letter in basketball.

Jerry Mullen, Grand Junction, Colo., was elected sophomore class vice president, and Kenneth Suddeth, Columbus, Ga., was named secretary.

Mark Dopson, Las Vegas, Nev., was elected president of the freshman class, while Vic Sokol, What Cheer, Iowa, and Ronald Allen, Peoria, Ill., were named vice-president and secretary, respectively.



Boys Town citizen Harry Carnes, seated in front, provides information to Red Cross workers before contributing to the American Red Cross Bloodmobile on its 29th visit at the field house recently. The Bloodmobile pays a visit to Boys Town three times a year to take contributions from boys who are 18 years of age, and



A recent visitor to Boys Town was Dr. William Fay, a member of the Parliament of the state of Hesse, the Federal Republic of Germany, shown here receiving an Honorary Citizenship certificate from Msgr. Nicholas H. Wegner, director of Boys Town.

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## Father Wegner Says

One of the most serious problems we face today is the problem of mental illness. Half of all the beds in hospitals in the United States are occupied by the mentally ill. It is reliably estimated that about half of all patients have emotional disorders, and that one out of every ten children born now will some day visit a psychiatrist's office.

Those who have made a careful study of the problem are generally agreed that these mental afflictions very often are rooted in the childhood experiences of the individual. They do not come suddenly and without warning. To understand something of the past experiences of the individual, experiences which frequently have all but been forgotten by the individual himself.

The formative years of early childhood are most important years for mental and emotional adjustment. The love, care, training, and example the child receives during these years set the pattern for his personality development. Many of the heartaches and frustrations of later life might be avoided but for the neglect and mistakes during childhood in which they have their beginning.

The little child needs love and affection if he is to enjoy a wholesome mental and emotional adjustment. But he also needs more than this. He needs to have a feeling of security beyond that which love and affection provide. This feeling is undermined in a home environment of parental bickering and domestic tension. In such a situation, the little child, understanding far better than others realize, becomes a victim of mixed emotions and conflicting loyalties.

It is a tragic thing when parents allow present worries and hardships to obscure the future happiness of the child. Outside tensions and inequities which disrupt the harmonious environment of the home create an atmosphere of insecurity which is not conducive to healthful emotional attitudes in the child.

A child brought up in such a home atmosphere may not become a problem child or a juvenile delinquent, but this does not mean that serious harm is not done to the child. The real damage may remain hidden until years later when it is brought out by some mental or emotional crisis the individual is unable to resolve. It may very well take the form of some mental illness.

On the other hand, the delinquent youth may be described as an unhappy youth, and his unhappiness may stem back to the home environment of his early childhood. The cause of delinquency cannot be found nor the cure prescribed by a study of surface factors alone. It goes much deeper than this. It involves the whole being, body and soul, as well as environmental factors of many kinds.

It is not surprising that the present upward trend in mental illness and juvenile delinquency has paralleled a similar upward trend in social, economic, and political tensions. Living from crisis to crisis makes wholesome mental and emotional adjustment more difficult. But even under these conditions it is possible to rise above this difficulty if proper beliefs and goals are cultivated and acted upon.

The fact that outside interests often disrupt the tranquility of the normal home environment does not mean that such must necessarily be the case. More often than not it means that the parents themselves have not been able to make a satisfactory adjustment and so are not able to aid the child. In any event, both the child and society are left to suffer the consequences.

Acknowledgement of these facts places added emphasis upon the responsibilities of parenthood. The home exists for the child, not the child for the home. Fortunate indeed is the child whose parents realize this and who make a conscious attempt to place the interest of the child above their own personal interests at all times.

All of these considerations must be taken into full account in order to appreciate the magnitude of the problem and the difficulty that confronts us in finding a solution. A wider understanding of this will help to make life happier and more fruitful for parents and children alike. It is unthinkable that parents having such understanding could fail to make proper use of it.

## Concert Choir Now On Tour

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Nov. 26: Gilbert School, Winsted, Conn., 8:15 p. m.

Nov. 29: High School Auditorium, Norwich, Conn., 2:30 and 8:00 p. m.

Nov. 30: Town Hall, New York City, 2:30 p. m.

Dec. 2: Fordham Prep, New York City, 2:00 p. m.

Dec. 2: Brandt Theatre, Yonkers, N. Y., 8:00 p. m.

Dec. 3: High School Auditorium, Cumberland, Md., 3:15 and 8:00 p. m.

Dec. 4 and 5: High School Auditorium, Camden, N. J., 8:00 p. m.

Dec. 6: Town Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., 8:15 p. m.

Dec. 7: Town Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., 2:30 p. m.

Dec. 8: St. Dominic Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio, 8:00 p. m.

After their return to Boys Town, the choristers will present a Homecoming Concert for Boys Town citizens and guests at the Boys Town Music Hall on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

They also will tape material for a documentary movie now in production for the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, after which they will plunge into intensive rehearsals for the busy Christmas season.

## Two 1963 Grads Sing In Blue Jacket Choir

Two 1963 graduates of the Boys Town high school now in military service with the U. S. Navy are members of the Blue Jacket Choir at the U. S. Naval Training Center at San Diego, Calif.

They are Pablo Hernandez and Charles Baxter, both of whom were members of the Boys Town Concert Choir while at the Home. Pablo, writing to the Boys Town Alumni News, credits their experience at Boys Town for their selection with the Navy singing group.

Another 1963 graduate who has found his musical experience at Boys Town of help to him in the Navy in Donald Penner.

Now in the Sea Bees stationed at the Builder School at Port Hueneme, Calif., Donald writes that "Thanks to what I have learned in the Boys Town Band, I am in the drum and bugle corp here. I enjoy it very much."

Another former citizen now serving in the Navy is Jose Cordova, a 1961 graduate.

He writes from Camp Pendleton, Calif., that upon joining the Navy he became a hospital corpsman. Upon graduation from the hospital corps school he went to field medical school and was graduated as a field medical technician.

He then went to Okinawa for duty with the Marines. During his tour of duty on Okinawa he went to Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, Hong Kong, Alaska and Hawaii.

He now is back at Camp Pendleton in a medical battalion.

## Music Students At Symphony Concerts

In order to give Boys Town music students a wider appreciation of fine music, it has been the custom in recent years to provide an opportunity for a number of such students to attend concerts by the Omaha Symphony Orchestra at the Civic Auditorium Music Hall.

Attending recent concerts of the Symphony have been Steve Cholka, Billy Davis, Ed Sempek, Joe Wilkes, Lauren Carlson, David Hill, John Browers, Charles Beckius, Renato Korus, Eugene Hudson, Mike Ripplinger, Jerry Floyd and Stan Noggle.

Two members of the Boys Town music department staff are members of the Omaha Symphony. They are Mr. Carl Lyon, head of the strings department, who plays first violin, and Mr. James Bell, assistant director of the Boys Town high school band, who plays clarinet.



Six former citizens of Boys Town now living in the New England states recently formed a New England Chapter of the Boys Town Alumni Association. The six lads, shown here, are, front row, Al LaLonde, Jack Briggs and Al Courchene. Back row, Bob Watson, Jim Watson and Aristeo Castillo. The charter meeting was held at Greenwich, Conn., on Oct. 4.

## Alumni Association Has Chapter In East

A New England Chapter of the Boys Town Alumni Association has been formed.

Present at a recent meeting to establish the chapter were six former Boys Town citizens now living in New England.

They were Albert Courchene, '58, Somersworth, N. H.; Robert Watson, '48, Medford, Mass.; Jim Watson, '51, East Boston, Mass.; Alfred LaLonde, '51, Greenfield, Mass.; Aristeo Castillo, '59, Dorchester, Mass., and Jack Briggs, '51, Greenwich, Conn.

Chapter officers elected were Jack Briggs, president; Alfred LaLonde, vice president; Aristeo Castillo, secretary, and Albert Courchene, treasurer.

Other Boys Town alumni now living in the New England area were unable to be present at the meeting, but have indicated their intentions of becoming members of the new chapter.

An interesting fact about the six former Boys Town citizens who were present at the meeting, all of them now making their homes in New England, is that only one is a New Englander by birth. He is President Jack Briggs, who came to Boys Town from Greenwich, Conn., and returned to his home city after being graduated from the Boys Town high school.

Of the others, James and Bob Watson, who are brothers, came to Boys Town from Omaha, Nebr. Albert Courchene came from Pueblo, Colo.; Alfred LaLonde came from Hazel Park, Mich., and Aristeo Castillo came to Boys Town from El Paso, Texas.

## Ship And Post Canoe Down Platte River

Members of Boys Town Ship 37 and Explorer Post 49 recently enjoyed a week-end in the wilds, leaving the Home Friday night and returning Sunday night.

Members of Ship 37 canoed down the Platte River, while members of Post 49 acted as a service unit for the group, although several of the Post 49 members took a shot at canoeing, getting a thorough dunking as their canoe overturned while negotiating a rapids.

Members of Ship 37 who made the trip were Mack Bailey, Larry Littlejohn, Jim LaChapelle, Dave Swanson, Ed Duffy, Henry Sokol, Vincent Jankowski, Ed Wilson.

Bill Melton, Bill Colwell, Ron Rose, Ernest Fierro, Curt Smith, John Groshong, Peter Guild, Chris Urzan.

John Browers, Jerry Mullen, Doug Charlie, Harry Carnes, Jim Ware, David McConn and Mike Riordan.

Post members on the outing were Adolph Barton, Robert Bagley, John Canfield, Wayne Lucas, Tom Schroeder, Roger Sisson, Dennis Johnson, James Kruger, James Manning.

George Madara, Bob Montgomery, George McIntyre, Paul Marquez, Clark Freeman, Mike Kennedy, Les Lilly, Cort Schable and John Straka.

Larry Paul, a Boys Town high school junior from Albuquerque, N. M., was one of 277 students from 49 Nebraska high schools who attended the third annual Governor's Youth Safety Conference at Lincoln recently.



Boys Town citizens worked up a lot of enthusiasm for the football game between the Cowboys and Omaha Bishop Ryan at a pep rally held on the Boys Town field after school prior to the game. The Cowboys won the game, played at the Omaha Municipal Stadium 20-12.

# Sports Editor Pays Tribute To Cowboy Gridders

The following article was written by Mr. Wally Provost, Sports Editor of The Omaha World-Herald, prior to the football game between the Boys Town High School and Omaha Bishop Ryan High School. It is reprinted here in its entirety by special permission. A hearty "Thank You" from Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, Mr. Provost!

## 'The Boys' At Stadium

WITH only four Nebraska schools on its 10-game schedule, Boys Town is not eligible for The World-Herald's top 10 high school football ratings.

That should not obscure the fact that Boys Town may have the best team in the state.

Victims to date include David City Aquinas, 38 to 0; Omaha Tech, 30 to 7, and Pius X of Lincoln, 55 to 14.

We'll have an even more solid gauge of Cowboy strength after this week's tussle with undefeated Bishop Ryan, currently No. 2 in the state.

The game will be played Thursday evening at 7:30 at Municipal Stadium.

## Advance

RYAN has knocked off Bellevue, 12 to 6; Scottsbluff, 20 to 6, and North Platte, 28 to 0.

Ryan replaced Omaha Westside as the top 10 runner-up to unbeaten Creighton Prep after Bellevue licked Westside, 26 to 12.

## Ambition

OF BOYS TOWN'S 19 touchdowns to date, nine have been scored by Byron McCane, a 190-pound six-footer from Cleveland, Ohio. He sings in the choir and hopes to take up social work.

The quarterback is Joe Smith, Springfield, Ohio, who is learning the trade of tailor.

Teaming with McCane at halfback is Darrell Oswald, Mitchell, S. D., a cottage commissioner and a councilman in the school's self-government program.

No. 1 man at fullback is George Buckler, a husky from Waldorf, Md., who has participated in band and choir the past five years and also is interested in dramatics.

## Reminder

THE FAME of Boys Town is such that a mother recently sent two sons halfway across the nation by bus, asking that they be placed in the home directed by Msgr. Nicholas H. Wegner.

The city's heart went out to the youngsters.

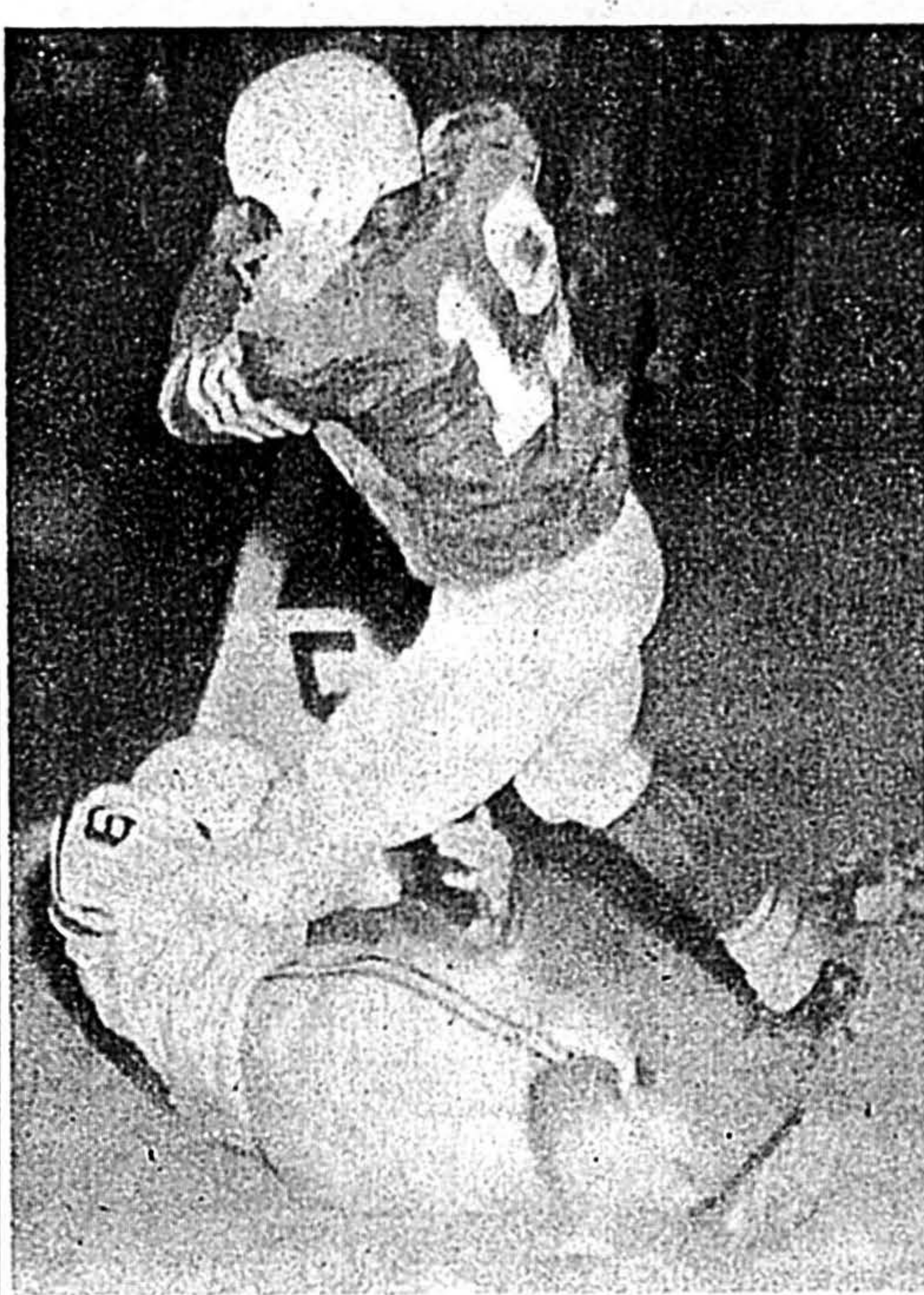
Perhaps the incident was a needed reminder that Boys Town is populated by lads of similar background—"boys who are homeless, neglected or underprivileged."

## Misfortune

COACH SKIP PALRANG'S starting left end is Tom LaBlanc who came here from Minneapolis in December of 1960 after spending nine years in orphanages and boarding homes.

The left guard assignment is held by Daniel Riely, who arrived at Boys Town in September, 1958.

He was one of six children in a Grand Forks, N. D., family. Because of the mother's illness and an industrial accident in which the father lost a leg, it was impossible to keep the brood together.



Hurricane Byron McCane, veteran halfback for the Boys Town Cowboys, is brought down after a sizeable gain in the Cowboy game against Omaha Bishop Ryan, then No. 2 team in the state, at the Omaha Municipal Stadium. The fleet-footed back scored all three touchdowns in the Cowboys' 20-12 victory over the Knights. The other two points came on a safety by Tackle George Long.

Airman First Class Arthur Mason, USAF, a 1955 graduate of the Boys Town high school, recently visited friends at Boys Town.

Arthur has spent the past two years of his military service at Altus AFB, Okla.

## Shortage

UNFORTUNATELY, Boys Town never has been able to gain admission to the Inter-City League. There isn't even room for Boys Town in the expanded metropolitan conference planned for introduction in 1964.

It appears the Cowboys are being squeezed completely out of the metro football picture.

That makes Thursday night's appearance at Municipal Stadium a rare and special occasion.

If you don't have school kids of your own to root for this season, Skip Palrang's boys would welcome your support at this important contest.

There always is a shortage of parents in their pep section.

Wally Provost, Sports Editor

# Boys Town Downs Pittsburgh Foe In Benefit Game

The Cowboys unleashed a crushing offensive attack coupled with a bruising defense for their fifth victory of the season, a 38-0 win over South Hills Catholic, defending champions of the Pittsburgh Class AA Catholic League.

The game, played before 10,000 fans at South Stadium, was the annual benefit for the Pittsburgh Firemen's Widows' Pension Fund.

The Cowboys roamed almost at will against the Rebels, while their defense held the opponents without a first down until the final play of the third quarter. The Rebels only had two more first downs, all three coming on passes.

The Cowboys struck early, as Arnold Johnston raced the final

## Pass Interception Sets Victory Stage

A pass interception by Michael Adams set the stage for a 55-14 victory over Pius X High School of Lincoln, Nebr., as the Cowboys scored early and often to defeat a tough Thunderbolt club.

Six plays brought the ball from the Boys Town 40 to the Pius 15. Dave Keeder passed to Darrell Oswald, but the ball was caught past the end zone. Hurricane McCane lost a yard on the next play, and Keeder again passed, with Oswald as his target, and this time it was good, with half the first quarter gone.

Pius was unable to make downs and punted. The Hurricane fielded the kick and ran 69 yards for the next score.

Again the Thunderbolts failed to make downs and punted. On the first play George Buckler sprang loose for 53 yards and the third tally.

McCane and Jack Kelly and Arnold Johnson scored for the Cowboys in the second quarter, to make the half-time score 42-0.

The Thunderbolts, who gained only 32 yards rushing and 23 yards passing in the first half, settled down to hard-nosed football in the second half.

Each team scored twice in the second half, the Cowboy touchdowns being by Ed Wickliffe and Dave Keeder, and the Pius scores by Dayle Churchill on a pass from Mike Kobza, and a run by Bill Dean. Churchill made one extra point on a pass from Kobza, and Kobza ran the other.

The Cowboy extra points came on six placements by George Buckler and a run by Dan Cheshire.

25 yards in a 50-yard march to the goal for the first of his two touchdowns.

Four minutes later Darrell Oswald snatched a 31-yard pass from Dave Keeder in the end zone for the second tally. On the previous play, Hurricane Byron McCane's touchdown jaunt had been nullified by a penalty.

George Buckler, the powerful Cowboy fullback, added a third TD in the second frame with a 10-yard run, and scored again in the third quarter with a four-yard plunge. The touchdown had been set up when Oswald recovered a Pittsburgh fumble on the Cowboy 46.

The Cowboys scored twice more in the final frame, both tallies coming as a result of pass interceptions.

Kenneth Geddes, sophomore end, pilfered a Rebel pass early in the frame, returning it 50 yards to the South Hills 30. Johnston went over from the six.

A few minutes later Keeder intercepted another Rebel pass, returning from the Cowboy 45 to the South Hills 18. On the next play Keeder fired to McCane on the five, from where the Hurricane went over for his 13th touchdown of the year.

# Cowboys Defeat Number 2 Club By 20-12 Score

Coach Skip Palrang's Cowboys downed a tough Omaha Bishop Ryan team, ranked as the No. 2 team in Nebraska, 20-12, before a crowd of more than 7,000 at the Omaha Municipal Stadium.

The Knights, taking the opening kick-off, started out strong, chalking up 33 yards good for three first downs before the Cowboy defense stiffened. For the rest of the first half, the Knights netted only two more yards.

The first Cowboy tally came early in the second frame when George Long recovered a Ryan fumble on the Knights' 21-yard line.

Five plays later Hurricane Byron McCane went the final seven yards for the first of his three touchdowns of the evening.

The Cowboys got two more points late in the second quarter when the Knights, back on their own 11, had to punt, but the ball sailed high into the end zone for a Boys Town safety.

McCane went the final two yards to climax a 44-yard Boys Town march midway in the third quarter to make it 14-0 for the Cowboys.

Ryan made its first touchdown after officials ruled that a Ryan punt had touched a Cowboy player and the Knights downed the ball on the Boys Town 18. Len Borcyca of the Knights went the final three yards to make it 14-6.

The complexion of the game changed rapidly on the first play of the final frame, as Bill Corcoran rifled a long pass to Adrian Fiala, the pass-run covering 68 yards for a second Ryan touchdown to make it 14-12.

After the ensuing kick-off, the Cowboys marched 68 yards in nine plays, with Hurricane McCane going the final eight for his third touchdown, to make it 20-12 in favor of the Cowboys.

## Rampaging Cowboys Rack Up Sixth Win

Coach Skip Palrang's Cowboys staved off an early threat by a determined crew from O'Gorman High of Sioux Falls, S. D., to rack up their sixth victory of the season, 25-0.

The Knights were inside the Cowboy 10-yard line in the first quarter when Pat Cogley recovered a Boys Town fumble on the Cowboy 35. A pass from Olson to Cogley put the ball on the 20, and four rushing plays brought the ball to the Cowboy eight.

Tom Robbins threw Pat Burke for a loss back to the 14, and an incomplete pass on fourth down gave the Cowboys the ball on their own 14.

With the ball on the 30, Dave Keeder uncorked the first of three touchdown passes, this to Halfback Darrell Oswald, who caught the ball 25 yards down field and scooted the rest of the way for the first score.

That was all the scoring for the first half.

In the third quarter Oswald carried to the O'Gorman one, where he was hit hard, the ball squirting from his hands to be recovered by the Knights.

The set-back was only temporary though, as moments later Fred Newman intercepted a Knight pass on the 13. George Buckler carried to the three, and went over on the next play to make it 12-0.

Keeder's passing arm brought the third tally early in the final frame as he hit Kenneth Geddes in the end zone from 30 yards out and Buckler kicked the extra point.

Hurricane Byron McCane, used sparingly because of a bruised shoulder, failed to score for the first time this season, but he set up the final touchdown as he raced 32 yards to the 20, from where Keeder threw to Oswald with 15 seconds left.



Senior lettermen on the Boys Town Cowboy football team, who serve as team captains during the season, are shown above with Msgr. Nicholas H. Wegner, director of Boys Town, and Athletic Director and Head Coach Maurice H. "Skip" Palrang. Kneeling are End Tom LaBlanc and Halfback Hurricane Byron McCane. Standing are Quarterback Joe Smith, Tackle George Long, Coach Palrang, Guard Dan Riely, Father Wegner, Fullback George Buckler, Center Larry Lowell and Halfback Darrell Oswald. Missing when the picture was taken was Tackle Tom Robbins.

## Eighty-Five Boys Have Birthdays During November

One of the largest groups in Boys Town history will celebrate their birthdays during the month of November.

Eighty-five citizens, representing 25 states, comprise the November group. Included are 24 grade school pupils and 61 high school students.

The grade school celebrants are:

Nov. 2: Keith Hyde, Chicago, Ill., Donald Kowalski, Columbus, Nebr., and Robert Sackett, Hopkinton, Iowa.

Nov. 3: Edward Kolba, Bay City, Mich.

Nov. 5: Michael Barton, St. Paul, Minn.

Nov. 6: Bill Dover, Kansas City, Mo.

Nov. 7: Charles Ripple, Fremont, Ohio.

Nov. 10: James Acklin, Champaign, Ill., and James Cliber, Altoona, Pa.

Nov. 11: Joseph Ortiz, Kansas City, Mo.

Nov. 13: John MsHugh, Des Moines, Iowa.

Nov. 16: Ron Presnell, Salem, Ore.

Nov. 18: Lawrence Staley, Charles City, Iowa.

Nov. 19: Patrick O'Reilly, Detroit, Mich.

Nov. 21: Andrew Jaskiewicz, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 22: Pat Coggins, Denver, Colo.

Nov. 25: Kenneth Freeman, Caruthersville, Mo.

Nov. 27: Roger Boyd, Kansas City, Mo.; Robert Gorig, Omaha, Nebr., and Michael Taylor, St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 28: Gary Engel, Bay City, Mich., and Wendell Wright, Opa Locka, Fla.

Nov. 29: Joe Pappan, Omaha, Nebr.

Nov. 30: Jim Wolfer, Kansas City, Mo.

**High School Boys**

The high school celebrants are:

Nov. 2: John Kelch, Worthington, Minn.; Joseph Krzyzaniak, Elyria, Ohio, and David Loar, Davenport, Iowa.

Nov. 4: Robert Calderon, Des Moines, Iowa; Robert Caldwell, Denver, Colo.; Kelvin Jensen, Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Dennis Johnson, Omaha, Nebr.

Nov. 5: Jerry Billingsley Grand Junction, Colo.

Nov. 6: Louis Grucza, Buffalo, N. Y., and Daniel Irsik, St. John, Kans.

Nov. 7: Ernesto Fierro, El Paso, Texas; Russell Wiese, Everly, Iowa, and Bracy Young, Enid, Okla.

Nov. 8: James Geisler, Peoria, Ill.; William Hayden and David Hollins, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Larry McNair, Santa Fe, N. M.

Nov. 9: Ralph Harper, Bowling Green, Ky., and Michael Morales, Omaha, Nebr.

Nov. 11: Michael Goad, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 12: Joseph Buckler, Waldorf, Md.; Richard Posko, Chicago, Ill.; Levi Webster, Omaha, Nebr., and Harold Wilson, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Nov. 13: Mike Adams, Peoria, Ill., and John Summers, Lincoln, Nebr.

Nov. 14: Santiago Hernandez, Laredo, Texas, and Richard Moffit, Hobbs, N. M.

Nov. 15: Richard Dickey, Okaloosa, Kans.; Steven Melville, Valdosta, Ga., and Roger Rose, Pontiac, Mich.

Nov. 16: Raymond Morris, Ottawa, Ill., and Earl Simms, Auburn, Nebr.

Nov. 17: Ray Allen, Peoria, Ill.; Mike Briard, Omaha, Nebr.; Harry Jenkins, Alexandria, Va., and Fred Newman, Yakima, Wash.

Nov. 18: Robert Van Nett, Minneapolis, Minn.

Nov. 20: Frank Dolincheck, Barberton, Ohio, and William Vinton, Tombstone, Ariz.

Nov. 21: Jim Coyle, Chicago, Ill.; Lawrence Dunham, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Robert Garcia and Lawrence Karlow, Chicago, Ill.; Earl Sanders, Ashland, Nebr., and Kenneth Schieber, Wabash, Ind.

Nov. 23: Clement Marquez, Pueblo, Colo.; James Simmonds,

Nov. 29: John MsHugh, Des Moines, Iowa.

Nov. 16: Ron Presnell, Salem, Ore.

Nov. 18: Lawrence Staley, Charles City, Iowa.

Nov. 30: Roebert Wagner, Du-



Members and leaders of Boys Town Ship 37 who won the Fall Regatta of Covered Wagon Council recently. Kneeling, from left to right, are Doug Charlie, Larry Littlejohn, James LaChapelle and Assistant Crew Leader Ed Duffy. Second row, Dave Swanson, Mike Riordan, Assistant Crew Leader Ron Rose, John Browers, Assistant Crew Leader Jerry Mullen, William Colwell, Skipper Mr. Joseph Bonnemier, Senior Crew Leader Chris Urzan, Deputy Senior Crew Leader Harry Carnes, First Mate Mr. Rudy Vlcek, Committee Chairman Mr. Verne Knoblauch, Vincent Jankowski and James Ware. Back row, Bill Melton, Peter Guild, Crew Leader Dave McConn, Harold Wilson, Assistant Crew Leader Ernesto Fierro and Curt Smith. Missing from the picture, but assisting with the Regatta, were John Groshong and Crew Leaders Mack Bailey and Henry Sokol.

## Danny And Ronnie Are Home At Last

Two young lads whose mother sent them halfway across the nation so they could have a home at Boys Town are now citizens of Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.

They are Danny Presnell, 12, and Ronnie, 10, whose mother put them on a bus at Salem, Ore., with a letter to Msgr. Nicholas H. Wegner requesting the Boys Town director to provide her sons with a home.

The mothers' letter to Father Wegner said:

"With the grace of God I would be in deep appreciation if you would care and guide my children, Danny and Ronny.

"I am in poor health and unable."

Arriving at Omaha during the night of Sept. 19, Danny and Ronnie were turned over to Douglas County Juvenile Court, asking that Boys Town be permitted to provide the boys with a home, in accordance with their mother's wishes.

Judge Hart ruled, however, that the boys were under the jurisdiction of his court, and that a formal hearing would be necessary before placement was made.

Judge Hart transferred the boys on Sept. 24 to the home of the Rev. William Pounds, assistant rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Omaha, and on Sept. 28 to Boys Town on a temporary basis.

At the formal hearing, held Oct. 9, Judge Hart approved permanent placement for Danny and Ronnie at Boys Town, where they now have joined 900 other lads as citizens of Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.

## Mike Kennedy Is '63 Table Tennis Champ

Mike Kennedy is the 1963 Boys Town high school table tennis champion.

In the finals, Mike defeated Tom Campbell, 2-18 and 21-15.

Others reaching the semi-finals were Jerry Carle and Mike Goad.

Nov. 24: Bill Dorrah, Sioux City, Iowa.

Nov. 26: Tommy James, Albuquerque, N. M.

Nov. 27: Ed Caraveo, Phoenix, Ariz.; Dennis Diemert, Walhalla, N. D.; James Melville, Valdosta, Ga.; John Peetz, Albuquerque, N. M., and Michael Pykola, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 28: Ronnie Chavez, Del Norte, Colo.; Glander Garcia, Albuquerque, N. M.; Milt Moss, Pueblo, Colo., and Henry Sokol, What Cheer, Iowa.

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## Sea Explorers Usher At Ak-Sar-Ben Fete

Sea Explorer Post 37 of Boys Town again this year was selected to usher at the coronation ceremonies of the King and Queen of Ak-Sar-Ben at the Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum in Omaha recently.

## Cowboy Roadrunners Win Two Dual Meets

Boys Town's cross country runners, directed by Coach George Pfeifer, have made a name for themselves and for Boys Town during recent weeks at three meets, winning two dual meets, and placing fourth in the Metropolitan cross country meet.

In a dual meet with Bellevue, Bob Walsh took first place, and Frank Rodriguez was second.

Other Cowboy runners placing were Vern Juan, 4th; Clem Marquez, 5th; Mel Gardner, 6th; Mack Bailey, 7th, and Dave Loar was 10th.

## Three Scout Troops Enjoy Weekend Outing

Members of Boys Town's three Boy Scout troops, Troop 37, Troop 49 and Troop 89, enjoyed a week-end camporee recently. The Scouts left the Home early Saturday morning, in an area on the Boys Town grounds, close enough so they could return for religious services Sunday morning.

After services they went back to their camp, returning home for lunch Sunday.

The boys hiked to their secluded camping spot, set up their tents, and spent the week-end as Scouts should—SCOUTING.

Post Advisor Ralph Bock and a few of his Explorers of Post 49 brought along their cook wagon and provided the good food. Fresh air and activity provided the appetites, and all had a wonderful time.

The next project for Boys Town Scouts is the annual Scout torium.

At this year's Exposition, Scout troops will show their skills in Scouting and merit badge subjects.

## Round Stamps Of Tonga Create An Unusual Exhibit

One of the most unusual stamp issues in the world is that of Tonga, "The Friendly Islands" in the South Pacific.

Tonga has issued a set of round stamps, printed on gold foil, commemorating the first gold coinage of Polynesia. The Boys Town PhilaMatic Center has a set of these stamps on display, a portion of which are pictured elsewhere on this page of The Times.

There are 13 values. Shown are the fronts and backs of the three values of a Quarter Koula, Half Koula and One Koula.

Stamp collectors in the United States can buy the stamps and import them for their collections but coin collectors cannot import the gold coins, of which the stamps are a replica.

The restriction against the gold coins is the result of the United States gold act of 1933 which makes it unlawful to import into the United States any gold coins minted after 1933. Also it is illegal for United States citizens to own such coins, either in this country, or abroad. The United States is the only country in the world with such a law.

At the time of the issue of the Tonga coins, it was thought their importation into the United States might be permitted because of their numismatic value, but Mr. Leland Howard, Director of the Office of Domestic Gold and Silver Operations, ruled otherwise.

So many requests for permission to import the coins were received by Mr. Howard's office that a form letter was distributed by that office stating "A decision has been made that these coins do not meet the criteria established by this office for the importation of gold coins under the provisions of Section 54.20(d) of the Treasury Department Gold Regulations."

Tonga, the only country in the world with no internal or external debt, still issues gold coins. By the Gold Act of 1933, the United States government intended to stop the flow of gold from this country, but coin collectors were not permitted to buy them in this country.

Stamp collectors, on the other hand, can buy as many sets of stamps as they can afford, which is equivalent to sending money outside the country for the gold coins.

By issuing the stamps, which are replicas of the gold coins, on gold foil, the government of Tonga profits from the receipts of money from American collectors, while at the same time no appreciable amount of gold leaves that country.

## Three Students Get On-The-Job Training

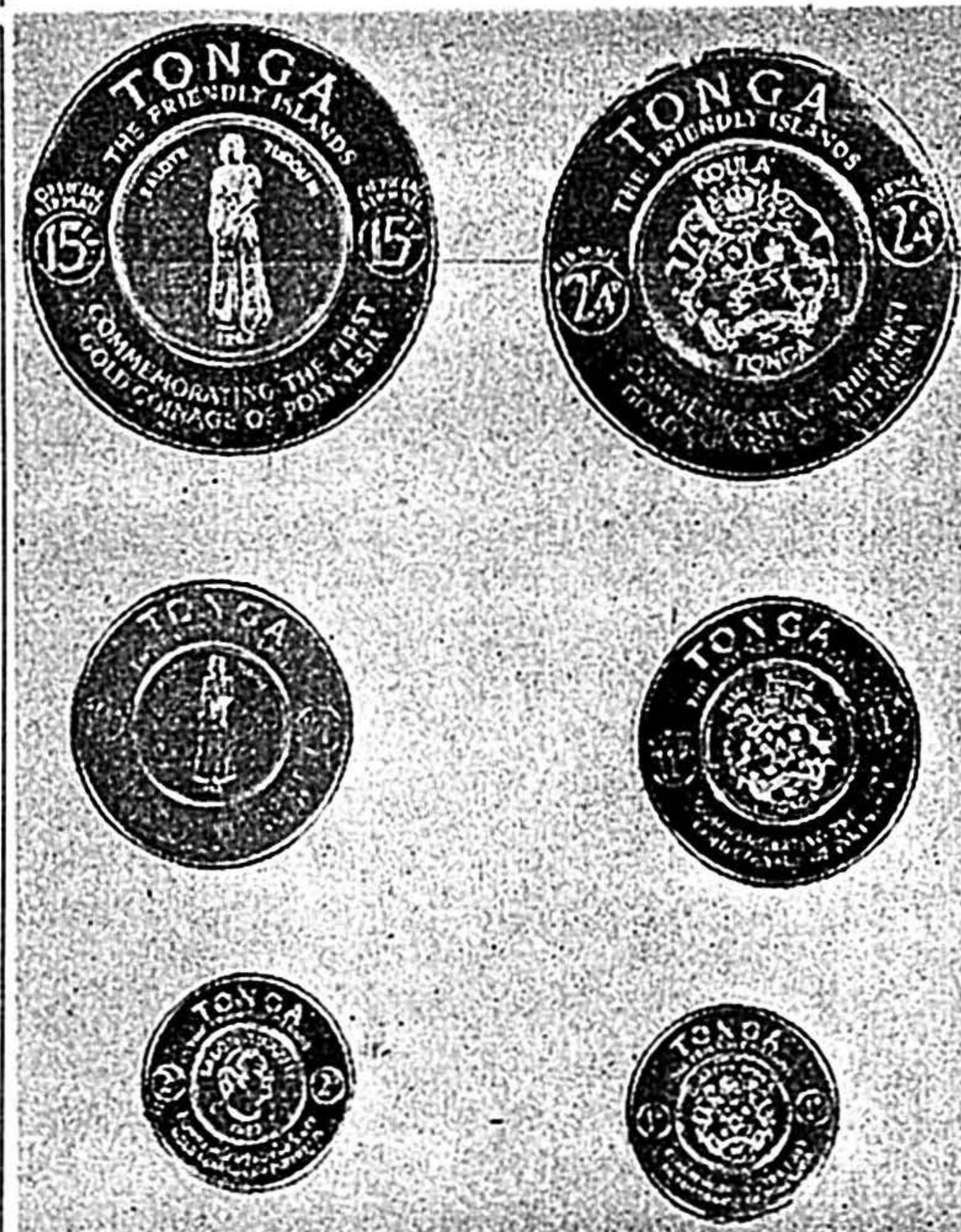
Three Boys Town students are gaining valuable on-the-job training in production printing.

They are Lewis Barnes, Jim Freeman and Jim Garringer, who have been working in the production shop in which The Boys Town Times is printed, and other printing for the Home is produced.

Barnes, a junior from Augusta, Ga., is a pressman on the crew. With two years of training in the Boys Town trade school print shop, he spent the summer time working in the production shop, and now, in addition to his trade training, he spends several hours each night after school in the shop.

Freeman, a senior from Kankakee, Ill., is pressman and linotype operator. With two years of training in the trade school, he spends his full period of trade training on the job.

The third member of the crew is Jim Garringer, a junior from Kansas City, Mo., who is the machinist and also is learning the pressman's trade. His regular



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