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### Mr. Crowder To Recruit **New Teachers**

By Pat Logan

Mr. Sidney M. Crowder, Principal of Frankfurt American High School, will be leaving for the United States on the 22nd of December, along with 3 educators from France and Germany and 2 from the near East for a tour of the United States for the express purpose of recruiting teachers for overseas schools.

When asked how long he would be in the United States and what places he would be visiting, Mr. Crowder said that he would probably leave Frankfurt on the 22nd of December and return some

time in March of next year.

He also said that he plans to spend a



ing Branch which will assign him a recruiting district.

The purpose of Recruiting is to travel around the country appearing before Educational conferences and to te'l them of the many advantages of teaching over-

Mr. Crowder's 3 other colleagues from the European theater are: Miss Dorothy (Cont. Col. 2)

## Speech, Band, Melloteens Give Christmas Assemly

The band, the speech and drama clubs, the melloteens, and all of the chorus classes will co-ordinate their efforts to present an assembly Friday, December 19

The assembly under the direction of Miss Janes, Mr. Pace, and Miss Johnson will deal with the sacred side of Christmas. There will be songs, Bible readings, and tableaus throughout the program.

Miss Janes, speech teacher, said that the program should be a great success. She stated that too many people forget the real meaning of Christmas and think only of the gifts. This program will remind these people that there is more to Christmas than the giving of gifts.

The program was presented to the PTA

Tuesday night.

## Christmas Lime

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As I gaze out of my window I see not only snow but the mist of gone by years. Me as a little child neath a tree all aglow; opening packages with a look of joy, wondering at what lies within, but not knowing to be coy, The snow seems but a background for all my hidden dreams, of a fast deminishing childhood Which at this time of year seems so wonderfully grand. that I wonder if I could but recapture the mood. For there are carols in the air the Baby Christ was born, the air is fresh with snowflakes and the smell of pine. It is Christmas Time again!

Weihe, Elementary Education Specialist from Area 4 Orleans, France; Mr. Paul LeBrun, Personnel Division USADAG Headquarters Karlsruhe; and Dr. Charles J. Latimer, Secondary Coordinator, USADAG Headquarters Karlsruhe. The names of the two administrators from the near East are not known.

This will be Mr. Crowder's econd trip to the United States since he first became Principal of FHS eight years ago.

Acting for Mr. Crowder during his absence will be Mr. Thomas A. Barlow, vice-principal of FHS.

### Students Show Good Will. **Orphans to receive Gifts**

During the recent clothing drive for the Kinderheim C-phanage, students and faculty donated most generously.

Volunteers from Miss Poole's Home Economics class have made and reconditioned some of the clothing for a Christmas package.

Students from Mrs. Hutching's food classes packed a large food basket. Both these gifts will be delivered by the class members on Dec. 17, to promote Yuletide

### F.H.S. Students **Spend Christmas** in distant Lands

Already several seven day dorm have started home for their holidays. The rest will leave tomorrow and the next day.

Christmas time is one of the few times that the students have a chance to go home to see their parents as they flock to Frankfurt from the far corners.

Three girls will be going to Russia, one girl to Romania, neighbor to Russia, and a boy and a girl will be going to Yugo-

Several boys and girls also will be going to France, Spain, and Denmark.

There is excitement and impatience spread throughout the dorms, as they prepare to leave on their trips, homeward bound.



### Sr. Class Secretary Radiates 'Pep'

"I'M not sure what subject I want to teach, but I would like to try my hand at it," confesses Sande Whalen, Senior Class secretary.

This interest is one of the many displayed by Sande, whose activities range from J. V. cheerleader to member of N. H. S. to office assistant.

Born in Everett, Washington, she has lived in the dorm as a five day student and going home to Geisen on the weekends.

Her favorite foods are steak and ice cream (with bananas and chocolate sauce), while her taste in music lies in the popular field. Her pet peeves are people who are grouchy and persons who are not sincere.

After graduation she plans to attend University of Maryland, although she will miss Frankfurt High which she enjoys thoroughly.

## Christmas Celebrations Customs In Germany

By Judy Behling

can be traced back to Pagan times.

On December 6, the Germans celebrate St. Nikolaus Day. It is celebrated in memory of a Roman bishop from Asia Minor who became noted for his generosity in helping the needy. The Germans commemorate the anniversary of his death by exchanging gifts of fruit, cakes, and sweets. In present day custom, the children place their shoes under their beds or next to the door on the night of Dec. 5. During the night "St. Nick" is supposed to fill them with candies and sweets.

St. Nikolaus is known by the names of Knecht Ruprecht or Hans Trapp in different parts of the country.

Since the Crusades, the Germans have at open the Roemerberg.

Many of the German Christmas customs | held their famous Christmas fairs, mostly in old marketplaces near wells.

The main symbols of Christmas in Germany are the Christmas tree and the

They also have their Advent Sundaythe four Sundays preceding Christmas. The German families have a wreath with four candles and each Sunday night one of these is lite, until Christmas evening when the last one is lite.

There are also the Advent Calendars which are very popular during this season.

Here in Frankfurt the custom of St. Nikolaus' Day dates from the 15 century. Also the famous Christmas Fair known as the "Christkindchesmarkt" takes place

### **Library Assistants** View 'Bible', Museum

Destination-America House and Mainz! On December 3rd, the library assistants took their first field trip. They went to the America House and to see the famous "Gutenberg Bible" in the Mainz Gutenberg Museum.

The K-Town library assistants came down to make the trip with them and all were joined in Mainz by the Mannheim bookworms. They are planning to make more trips of this type in the very near future.

Special thanks from the library assistants goes to Miss Kleuh, the librarian, who made this trip possible.

### Ivy-League takes FHS; Crew-Necks, Bucks favored

By Karen Robbins

WHAT'S the good word form the welldressed males of FHS??? Crew-necks and Bucks of course . . .

Well, from a girls point of view it certainly is good to see that slowly, but surely levi's are disappearing . . . Hooray! The ivy-league is finally coming through to many.

For the Boys, Crew-neck sweaters seem to be the good word among all; of course, hidden underneath is an ivy league shirt or a white shirt ... Slacks, be they black ivy league, chino's or black wool. Last but not least, in the guy's collegiate outfit are the faithful BUCKS ... On DRESS UP DAY you might even see a sharp sport jacket coming at you from around the corner....

For the Gal's, several have crew necks to match their Mate's . . . Also seen often is the wool skirt with the matching neck scarf or button-on tie; this is completed with a matching sweater . . .

The colors of the season are periwinkle blue, coral, or the new shade of green. RED is still seen very often at it is such a cheerful color. In the evening you might see the famous (?) chemise, or occasionally the trapeeze.

As we all know, Sacks went out a long time ago... Bulky sweaters seen to be favored by all females... Leotards (finally) seem to have died out.

## F.H.S. Melloteens are busy Singing towards a Happy Holiday

If you're ever in the vicinity of room | Tues., Dec. 16. - PTA 147 before or during first period, stop for just a moment and listen. Hear the sound of music come floating down the hall? The group responsible for making Frankfurt High's corridors ring with song, so early in the morning, is Miss Johnson's Melloteens.

They are currently practicing for a series of Christmas programs, and if their efforts seem a bit frantic at times, don't be surprised. In one week, the Melloteens have been asked to sing in five performances. You must admit, this is quite a lot of "squeaking":

Their schedule for the week of December 15-19 looks like this:

Wed., Dec. 17 - Rhein Main Officer's Club Turs., Dec. 18 - Frankfurt Casino,

Womens' Club

Fri., Dec. 19 - All school Christmas assembly

We won't tell you all about the special program planned for the school assembly, but, as just a hint of what to expect, you can look forward to one hour of favorite Christmas carols, Christmas classics, and songs to put you in a true holiday mood.

This program is the Melloteens and Chorus department's gift to all the students of FHS, and with it they wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



## **Junior Prexy Exhibits Energy**

You've probably seen him in the halls, yet probably not given him a second glance. From the outside he is deceptive but there is plenty of activity on the inside. He stands 5'9" and is about average weight. This person is Bill Farthing. He has been overseas for three years and says he would give a toe to graduate from Frankfurt next year.

Among his many activities are: German-Am Club, Student Council, and just recently the National Honor Society. His main office, president of the Junior Class, (Cont. Col. 2)

### Side splitters

The most popular holiday green still comes from the U.S. Mint.

From a Wisconsin paper: "Wildlife museum and Taxidermy Studio-Come and see: Mounted wildlife in natural habitat-Fish mounted in underwater scenes-Special mountings for children-"

Current definition of LUCK: When you find that the flip side of a record you just bought, is also one you wanted-.

Slips in the type:
Texas paper: "Cocker spaniel puppies and string beans for canning."

Family magazine: "When she washes dishes, he should wash dishes with her and when she mops up the floor, he should mop up the floor with her."
Texas News: "Rushing to her room,

Louise dressed in paste and joined him in his car. Neither of them spoke."

Okla. "Man found shot to death by

### SANTA'S MAILBAG

i would likea very moch a mew typrewriter silmpy cuz this on dont seem too spella korectly. Mrs. Arthur.

Darlin Santa Claus,

One small porsche will do. It's for a friend. Jean Dexheimer.

I would like very much a new pair of saddle shoes if you could possibly find room in your bag. Thanking you very much and a Merry Christmas to you, Joe

Please Mr. Claus,

A bagful of A's for my freshman, Merry Christmas!! Mr. Liston.

Dear Santa.

When you are around the girl's dorm, please drop off a tape recorder, as we are very much interested in what is said at the "Heifer Sessions." Buz, Tim, Jim, Danny, Sam, George, Charlie, Steve, Mickey. (Boy's Dorm bull sessions representatives.)

Dear Claus,

I would like very much a radiator.

Thank you! Kayce.

dear santa... Dear Santa... DEAR

SANTA. Have they been lost in the shuffle???? Could you please bring us back our cheering sweaters in time for the first basketball game, Karen, Pat, Gwen, Doris, Carole, Marty. WE love you Santa!!!!!!!!

Dear Santa.

Any spare males that are rattling around in your bag, without a name tag on them, please send I size 16 large economy package to: Madge Barry.

Santa Baby,

Could I please have a silver mink nose muff... It gets very cold in Germany. Lee Chavet.

Dear Sir,

A new car would do, simply cuz my ol' one blew up. Jack Sovak.

Dear Santa,

If it is possible could you send a special delivery from the states, a certain Sal Mineo? Judy Pinkerton.

Dear Santa,

Please send me some marriage certificates so I will be set for next year. Steve (Marryen'Sam) Schwab.

(Count. from Col. 1) would be more than enough for most

people. When asked how he liked the way the school activities were coming along he said, "Everybody who holds any kind of office should co-ordinate the activities

they have planned with all the other clubs and Student Council. This way dances and such wouldn't overlap."

His personality is such that you never feel a strained atmosphere when talking with him. Bill gets done what has to be done with the regularity and dependability of a steam engine. His only complaint is that it is hard to do what you must do and remain leave out diplomatic.

Florida is his home in the states and his favorite hobbies are golf and swimming. Despite all his etxra activities, he manages to keep a 3.4 average.

### Resolutions??

Play it cool ... Denny Floberg. Pass Chemistry . . . Sandi Brodie. Start going to school . . . Bob See. Be nice to Bill . . . Karen Robins. Stay off my girl's feet ... Bill Hulse. Make a better grade in P. E.... Peggy

Be sweet to all girls . . . John Williams. Keep my locker clean . . . Joe Greer. Disregard all New Year' Resoutions . . Frank Harper.

Try to be on time ... Doris Jurgella.

EAGLES ECHO

You're now reading your school paper-Eagles Echo. You have just bought it and now you're turning the pages.

Ask yourself these questions. What do I want to get from this paper? Humor? News? Rumor? Fads?-What? Do you

Echo Editors wish to know what the readers want. They are starting a suggestion campaign to find out. Please take your suggestions or criticisms to room 250. By doing this, you will help your school to have the kind of paper that the students want.

#### - EAGLES ECHO -

ED. IN CHIEF Nick Borst MANAGING ED. Pat Northam BUSINESS ED. Pat Logan SPORTS ED. Steve Schwab NEWS ED. Bob Waters SPECIAL EVENTS ED. Claire Shelton FEATURES ED. Lee Chavet ADVISOR Miss Curtis



FHS band and Majorettes perform at Frankfurt stadium during '58 football season! They will appear later this year in some of Frankfurt's popular Fasching parades, and several other local events.

## FHS Students to Vie ['Je Reviens' Joy,

1958-59 USAREUR SCIENCE FAIR

The 1958-59 Usareur Science Fair will be held in Heidelberg from March 11-14. The two winners of this fair will be sent with their exhibits to the National Science Fair in Hartford, Connecticut.

The exhibits of students from Frankfurt High that will be shown at the USAREUR Science Fair will be chosen by elimination in the local and regional fairs. The local fairs will be held in February; the regional fairs will be held no later than the week of March 2, 1959.

A science fair is an exhibit of studentmade projects concerned with science and math. The purpose of such a fair is to create and encourage student and public interest in various fields of science and math.

### Christmas Party Features Candles

Flickering Candles! That's the theme for the dorm Christmas party, being given by the girls in the lounge of the dorm, tonight.

The girls have been busily planning for the dance and hope to make it a great

This will be the second dance of the year, the first being the boys Halloween Party.

## for Science Fair Spots Pipe, Mad Mag?

If you're stumped on the question of what to give your Mother, best girl, or Dad for Christmas, here are some suggestions to help your shopping list:

FOR MOM: Joy by Jean Patou. If she likes perfume, JE REVIENS by WORTH is an excellent scent and surely appreciated ... however, if she a sweater in mind, PRINGLE OF SCOTLAND or BERNARD ALTMAN offer the first in cashmere or woolen depending on your taste and pocketbook.

FOR DAD: If he smokes ... a new cigarette lighter engraved with his initials is a pleasant turn from the tie... If he likes cuff links and has millions of them, get a good leather billfold for the well-dressed dad... and of course the old stand-bys that any dad would enjoy-a sweater, a new pipe, a pair of argyles . . .

FOR THE GIRLFRIEND: Perfume is always right in style, with jewelry such as a gold cross, jeweled lipstick case or an evening compact..

FOR THE BOYFRIEND: Records are quite versatile, while a sweater is also quite useful ... a year's subscription to MAD magazine is a good reminder.

General gift suggestions . . .

records scented soaps stuffed animals

Or if you have someone special in the states, a call on Christmas Day would increase the pleasure of your and their

But save your marks for this!!

### F.H.S. Surveys '58 Graduates

The class of '58 consisted of 117 students and of this class 78 went to college. Twelve of these students went to the University of Maryland, the greatest number of students, from last year's class, to attend one college.

Other schools where F. H. S. is represented are Dartmouth, Annapolis, Duke, Middlebury, George Washington, and other colleges. All in all there are about 60 different colleges which these 78 students attend.

Each student will be in contact with F. H. S. for the next five years. Each year the school will spend out questionares asking the college, as well as those, noncollege students, what they think F. H. S. may do to improve this school.

The class of '59 may look forward to helping F. H. S. become the best school in USAREUR even after they graduate!

### Induction of new NHS Members

Induction ceremonies for new NHS members were held Thursday, December 4, in the Idle Hour Theater.

The program was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mike Thomas. Chaplin (Maj.) J. A. Connet gave the invocation. Following the invocation the four qualities - charactar, scholarship, leadership, and service-were given by Mamie Strieber, Martha Orr, Mike Emerick, and Jim Selander, respectively.

Mr. Barlow took Mr. Crowder's place in accepting the new members. Following the acceptance speech, the candle-lighting ceremony and the pledge were given. Chaplin Connett closed the ceremony with the benediction.

A tea was held for members, parents, special guests, and the faculty in the lounges of Oglesby and Ross Halls.

### **Dupree Latin Prexy**

In a meeting held November 1, the Latin Club elected the following officers; senior Ed Dupree as president, sophomore Steve Gossin as vice-president, junior Jeanie Tullous as secretary, and Jaci Terryman, a sophomore, for treasurer.

This year the Latin Club is planning a study of Roman myths, and a study of Roman culture down through the centuries with a view toward a greater appreciation of the world's debt to Rome.

### Twas Nite...

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the pad

Not a hound-dog was stirring, not even a cad.

The argyles were hung by the hi-fi with care

In hopes that St. Nikolas soon would be there.

The hep-cats were nestled all snug in their beds

While visions of Elvis danced in their heads.

Mama in her longies and I in my kat hat Had just settled down for a long, kool nap.

When out on the sod there arose such a clatter-

I shagged from my pad to see what was the matter.

Away to the peeper I flew like a flash, Tore open the flappers, and threw up the sash.

The popcorn on the crest of the new-fallen snow

Gave a luster of snack time to objects below.

When what to my wondering eye balls appeared

But a minature hot rod and eight rowdy reindeer.

With a little old driver so sharp and so slick

That I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than jets his coursers they came

As he yodelled, and be-bopped, and called them by name-

"Now Dasher, now Dancer, now Prancer and Vixen!

On Comet, on Cupid, on Donder and Blitzen (and of course, Rudolph!)

To the top of the cover, to the top of the wall, now jitter-bug, jitter-bug, jitterbug all!"

And then in a sec, I heard on the roof, the boppin' and dancin' of each tiny hoof.

As I drew in my bean and was turning around,

Down the T.V. antenne he came with a bound.

He was dressed in a zoot suit from head to foot.

The jacket was pink and pants colored-

He had a crew cut, and a little round hat And a bright red feather on top of it sat. He had a plaid tie drawn up in a bow, and the bucks on his feet were a white as the snow. A car load of records he had flung on his back, and he looked like Elvis, Perry, or Pat.

He didn't goof off but went straight to his work,

And filled all the knee socks then turned with a jerk.

And laying a finger aside his nose; and swinging his key chain, up the antenna he rose.

He sprang to his wheels and duals roared, And away in the night the hot rod soared. And I heard his shout as he dragged out of sight-

"Krazy Christmas to all and to all a neat night!"

### Christmas Thoughts

Christmas Joy From the TRIANGLE

Can we possesd deep within the true joy of Christmas? Yes, if we are willing to adopt a simple pattern of living which an old minister gave his congregation. I cannot recall his exact words but the gist of his message was this:

Jesus must be put first in your affections. Over and over remind yourself that Christmas is his birthday. Because your Saviour was born you may sing with the angles "Glory to God in the Highest" Like the Wise Men, bring to the little King your adoration and your very best gifts-money, time talents. Surely you will not buy presents for all your family and friends and forget the little Lord of Christmas.

## JRC Elects Officers Schedules Activities

Each year for students are selected to represent FHS at a training center in Chemisee. This group is then elected as the permanent officers of the club.

New officers are: Marti Showalter, president; Frank Harper, vice-president; Karen Benji, secretary and Bob Kranersm treasurer. Miss Poole, FHS home economics teacher, is the club sponsor.

Some of the planned activities are: decorating hospital wards, visiting the wards, providing entertainment, filling a chest for European refugees and fixing

Easter baskets and Christmas boxes.

J. R. C. is an international club, its membership consisting of boys and girls who are interested in helping people help themselves.

### Christmas Spirit

By Brigitte Kroll

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, everywhere you go." These are the lines of one of our favorite Christmas Carols. And they are true; Christmas time is here again.

The spirit of Christmas can be seen downtown in the stores and shops, where the windows are decorated with all sorts of wrapped packages, and articles. City sidewalks and streets are also dressed up for Christmas. They are filled with lighted Christmas trees, silver bells, golden angles, and Santa Claus stands at every corner. Out of every street and store comes the sound of Christmas carols. The feeling of Christmas is now in the air.

With the advance of Christmas comes the mad rush for the stores and the hurrying to buy all the gifts for the loved ones. While the parents hasten the little children are fascinated by the toys, games, and animals, which are exhibited in the toy department. Their dreams are filled with hopes of receiving a new doll or a little puppy. All the little tots try so hard to be good little children, because Santa Claus is coming soon.

As Christmas draws closer, there comes the joy of decorating your own Christmas tree, and furnishing your house with Christmas atmosphere. Then there is the curiosity of what is in "that large package."

Near the close of each day, bells ring from every church tower from all parts of the city, and Christmas is a day closer.

The spirit of Christmas grows, as people everywhere are buying presents, singing carols, and enjoy the smiling faces of little children as they sit on Santa Claus's lap.

But Christmas is not just giving and receiving gifts. It is also the worship of Christ, Who was born on Christmas day. There are sermons and services in churches of all faiths. Our tradition of giving presents was established by the wise men who gave gifts to the Christ Child. Christmas is a time for joy and merrymaking, but let's not forget the true meaning.

### Coming up

Dec. 17 Dorm Party

Dec. 18 Melloteens to Casino at

Women's Club 1:30 Dec. 19 School assembly Christ-

mas Holidays start 3:50 P. M.

Jan. 5 School reopens

Jan. 19-22 Semester exams
Jan. 23 1st semester ends

## Sportscope

### Larry Richardson

Larry Richardson, a senior, says that this is the best high school that he has ever attended. Larry, from the big city of Kansas City, says that filler of steak is his favorite food and football is his favorite sport.

He was born Feb. 12, 1941, and attended a school in South Bend Indiana, just before coming to Germany.

As most people know, Larry is the vice president of the Frankfurt High School Student Council, and is doing a very creditable job.

He has one sister in his family but his main complaint is that he has no girls.

His point is that, well, he says it better ... "I am contantly looking for the right girl, and I've been looking too long."

Larry was quarterback on this year's championship team and played every game until he injured his leg late in the

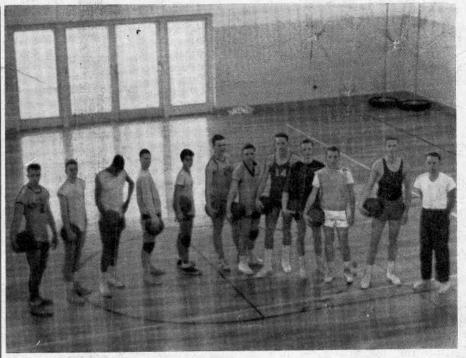


**Eagles Varsity** 

Basketball

Name	hight	weight	no.
Broughton, Bob	5.8"	140	10
Campbell, Mike	6.0"	165	14
Des Rochers, Pete	5.10"	140	3
Friberg, Eric	6.2"	170	16
Guiang, Mark	5.5"	125	4
McNaughton, Mik	e 5.10"	180	13
Matheny, Mike	5.10"	150	6
McClelland, Miles	5.7"	135	5
Nolen, Louis	5.10"	155	12
Sharp, Tommy	5.9"	185	11
Youngs, Charlie	5.7"	155	7_

This is the Frankfurt high school varsity basketball team. They are better known as the Eagles.



### Eagles Kick Off basketball season

their 1958-59 basketball season at Nuern- the other schools put together. berg on the 12th of December. This year's squad is a bit shorter than last year's team but they are tremendously fast.

Nuernberg has a tall team with all kinds of starters back from last year. Coach Ausra says, "They'll have to have more than height to defeat this highlyspirited team of ours.

For some of the newcomers to FHS, the Eagles were defended for the league championship by the Wiesbaden five last season but only lost 2 games all

They also had three men on the all USAREUR team and Frankfurt has never lost a game on our home court. Here's one final point: The Eagles have won

Well here we go again. The Eagles open more basketball championships than all

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	At K-town							Jan	9
	Munich							Jan	10
	At Stuttgart						Z.	Jan	30
	Heidelberg .							Jan	31
	At Wiesbaden .							Feb	3
	At Mannheim .							Feb	6
	K-town							Feb	13
	At Heidelberg .							Feb	14
	At Munich							Feb	20
	Mannheim,.							Feb	27
	Nuernberg							Feb	28
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### **Dorm Observes Holiday Spirit**

Monday the 16th the dorm girls sang, ate, danced, and exchanged gifts during their pajama party.

Santa Claus tromped merrily in amid loud laughter and with many a "ho" and many a "ha". She, Peggy Watson, passed out the gifts.

A toaster was presented to Mrs. Mead, Mrs. Laas and Miss Northrup from their

Everyone had fun and the freshman had the clean-up detail.

### Scalpel Scuttlebutt

After Coach Ausra's boys lost a ball game to the high flying Nurenburg squad Saturday morning, coach Ausra personally lost an appendix in a battle their opponants with a score of 50 to 28.

with a German surgeon in a Neustadt Kranken Haus Saturday afternoon.

The crew of medical experts led by a very capable woman surgeon performed an emergency appendectomy on our coach around 3:00 Saturday afternoon.

#### **Game Proves Exciting**

The Frankfurt Eagles lost a hard fougth 73 to 38 ball game last Saturday afternoon. When asked what te thought of the game, Buz McClelland said, "Nuernberg is probably the tough est team in the league this year and I think, with a little school spirit, we'll be wining from now on."

The JV team, however, set a new USAREUR scoring record by beating