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Left to right: Mr. Benzinger, Miss Hewlett, Walter Maciag, Vincent Adolfo, Mr. Fitzgibbons, Anna DiGiovine

Tau Sigma

TAU SIGMA, which stands for Torch and Scroll, is the name given to the sole honor society of B.S.T.I. Let us take a moment to briefly look back upon its history, organization, and purpose.

One of the purposes of B.S.T.I is to prove the value of itself to its students and community. During the third quarter of the 50-51 school year, Student Council decided to organize an honor society to further itself toward this goal. The nucleus of this organization was seventeen key members of the 49-50 senior class. The formal tapping of these students took place at the senior prom in May, 1950. Shortly after that, these chosen students started to function as an organization.

The final draft of its constitution is a credit to its makers. They set high standards and qualifications. Prospective candidates must show evidence of better than average attainment in scholarship, leadership, fidelity, personal integrity, co-operation, and must have contributed toward the advancement of the school. A maximum of ten candidates of each senior class was set. These students are tapped during the last two weeks of the fourth quarter of their junior year. In the face of such high standards, the candidate cannot help being greatly surprised when he is tapped by the

selection committee of six graduating members.

The purpose of the organization is to give recognition to students of the institute who, by their achievements, help prove the value of B.S.T.I.

The present ten members of TAU SIGMA are:

President, Vincent M. Adolpho, Optical—Vince, an Air Force vet with six years service, hails from Little Falls, New York. That cloud of dust moving up and down corridors is our boy trying to divide his attention between Sigma Omega Omega, of which he is chairman, TAU SIGMA, and the Chess Club. He manages to find a little time to study for those A grades and to represent our school in the N.S.A.

Vice-president, Carleton Masten, Electrical—Carl, 21, came to Kenmore from New Hampshire in 1946. Before entering B.S.T.I he went to Kenmore High and also spent a semester at Union College, Schenectady. They say he's a whiz with those electrical gadgets. At present he has a co-op job with Niagara Mohawk Power Company, and works part-time fixing the electrical equipment around school at night. Even so he finds time to join his swimming club mates on Wednesday nights.

Secretary, Anna DiGiovine, Industrial Chemistry—Behind that smoke-screen outside the chemistry labs in

the basement, you'll probably find Ann, one of the few girls who are taking advantages of the tedious Chemistry courses. She's nineteen and hails from Niagara Falls, New York. She participates in the Glee club, Swimming club, and Chemistry club.

Treasurer, Walter J. Maciag, Electrical—A three-sport All-Catholic athlete from St. Francis, Walt continues his prowess here. "The Most Valuable Player" of last year's basketballers also pitched the Baseball nine into a winning season. When not busy collecting A's, Wally can be seen displaying another of his many talents, "handling" cards—ask his electrical classmates.

Dorothy Arbogast, Dental Hygiene—Dorothy is always seen around school with that brilliant smile and pleasant manner. She's nineteen, a graduate of Williamsville Central High School. She is kept quite busy as president of Lambda Chi Iota Sorority, Beta Chapter. No doubt she made a big hit with the boys at the Veterans Hospital where she spent her co-op on the ivories.

Ann Marie Bolognese, Dental Hygiene—One of the few feminine lettermen in the school, "Annie" came from East High. She's always found cheer-leading at the basketball games, and displays her equally good dancing ability after. She is treasurer of Lambda Chi Iota Sorority.

Charles Patrick Creighton, Optical—Sure and 'tis the Irish we have here—what's this? Born on St. Patrick's day, Pat claims he was destined to be a saint. Well, as he is now, he's doing all right as the treasurer of Student Council. He is kept plenty busy as an active member of the Neumann Club, Sigma Omega Sigma, and intramurals—Goes to night school too—Gad man! He must be a saint to maintain that sort of schedule.

Paul J. Gareis, Industrial Chemistry—St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute can boast of having produced this mental whiz. This shy lad astounds his classmates by his remarkable speed in catching on to the fundamentals of Chemistry. Who knows—we may be harboring another Einstein.

Casimer L. Liszewski, Mechanical Technology—This former Depew High graduate is considered one of the most active students around
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