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Today, Monday, November 25, has been a day of mourning for this Nation. This afternoon, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the thirty-fifth President of the United States, was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia.

Presidents React to News of Murder

News of the death of John F. Kennedy, the thirty-fifth President of the United States, was received with mourning of grief and solemnity by the students of Ursinus College and the faculty and staff of the college.

A group of male students acted as the American flag from the base of the flagpole to the peak of the flag pole and then dropped it at the position of half staff.

First floor was interjected by an announcement of the crowd, the student body listened to the message in unison.

Dr. Donald L. Helfferich, President of Ursinus College, delivered the regularly scheduled Faculty Worship Friday evening.

Trinity United Church of Christ held an open-house worship service Monday.

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John F. Kennedy was shot in the heart. It is our responsibility to help complete the picture.

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John F. Kennedy was a man of deep religious feeling, and we pray that he may rest in peace.

He was a great man, and we shall miss him. He was a great leader, and we shall miss him. We shall remember him always.

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Ridlerless Horse

There was a parade in Washington, D.C., today. Crowds lined the streets as they did for any parade, but there were none of the gay, excited sounds of a typical parade.

There were beating drums in Washington, D.C., today, but missing was the stirring, martial music which usually precedes a parade.

There were marching soldiers and sailors in Washington, D.C., today, but their step was slow and dignified, unlike the usual brisk tread of marching men.

There was a ridlerless horse in Washington, D.C., today, without a firm hand on the reins or feet in the stirrups.

There was a caisson drawn by six white horses in Washington, D.C., today, carrying a flag-draped coffin in which lay the earthy remains of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States of America.

Can we of the United States not liken ourselves to that ridlerless horse who passed the thousands who lined the route of his cortage? We have lost the hand that held the reins of our government so firmly, lost him to an assassin's bullet, lost him to eternity.

This is a time for grief and a time for mourning. It is also a time for reflection and to reflect upon the brief span of John Kennedy's life is reason enough for sadness. Forty-six years only were given him, and he accomplished so much. He rose to the highest office in this nation and the free world. He proved himself under fire and gained the respect of older world leaders who might have been expected to regard him as a young upstart. He saw the world through grave crises and led it to great triumphs. And now he is gone.

In the two years, ten months, and two days of his presidency, there were but fourteen days that he might have done in five more years. He is now considered a good President. Might he not have become great? History may say yes.

And what is left? Not an empty hulk of a country, but a land still the most powerful in the world. We can still fulfill the dreams of our forefathers. Let us continue the work he has begun in the nation and the world. Let us give meaning to his life so that all the men and women of the world might be proud to be Americans.

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The Ursinus Weekly, as a result of the accident of last Tuesday evening at Sixth Avenue and Main Street, began the circulation of a petition requesting theCommonwealth to investigate the situation on Main Street between Fifth Avenue and Eighth Avenue. The letter which accompanied this petition is included in this issue under "The Mail." Specifically, the letter was presented to Mr. Harral and the situation discussed with him. It was the feeling that the present speed limit is too high because the area is not busy at times, and the speed limit should be reduced to 25 miles per hour. Mr. Harral assured the residents that the enforcement of any speed limit would be the first step to be taken.

Regarding the traffic light at the intersection of Sixth Avenue and Main Street, a resident expressed concern about a car traveling east on Main St. at about 7:40 o'clock. The automobile was not a little note, nor long remember, what he did, but a person who made a lasting impression.

In addition to the above concerns, the residents of the Borough of Trappe also requested the investigation of the problem of the Pennsylvania state sales tax of 5 percent, particularly as it pertains to gasoline taxes.

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Friday November 22, 1963

Lyndon B. Johnson, of the United States

They now call him Mr. President—his name is Lyndon Baines Johnson. Following the tragic assassination of John F. Kennedy on Friday, November 22, this man has had to fill the role of the President of the United States.

The new President was sworn in a short hour and a half after getting the first news of the death of President Kennedy. He asked the world to join in this day of mourning and remembrance of our late President.

During the flight from Southwest Texas to Washington, President Johnson was given the oath of office in the presence of a distinguished group of observers in the cabin of the presidential plane. President Johnson was sworn in ahead of time and he succeeded in taking the oath of office.

Curtain Clubs First Theatre in Roundout December 6

The date is set and the performance is being perfected. The full production of the Curtain Club will be DEAR WORMWOOD, a play which is based on THE SCREW TAPE LETTERS by C. S. Lewis.

The production is scheduled to be held on two successive evenings. Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7, when the student body will be admit tented. The play will be performed.

Leading the cast will be Jim Worwood, Dave Henry as Preacher, Andy Sullivan as Titus, and Sue Johnson, playing the part of Lucy. The other members of the cast are Meredyth Murphy, Ken Johnson, John Murphy, Amore Leu Berris, Karen Belling, Neil Stoller, Lisa Lintner, Bobbie Miller, Don Rossiter, Mary Boyles, Judy Stahl, Joyce Tenman, and Sue Wilhite. The play is under the direction of Joe Freeman and Betty Kinsinger and promises to provide an enjoyable evening.

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