

Soaring On His Own

Soaring up and over the high bar challenges and exhilarates Steve Edwards. Pole vaulting puts Steve under his own power, steadied only by his 15 foot pole. A senior at Myers Park High, Steve first tried pole vaulting at age 16. He's also a football player.

Graduation at hand, Steve will be on his own in some new ways. Next fall he'll be a freshman at Yale. It's time to get more interested in money management. "I've saved my money at Republic for years," says Steve, "but last fall I had an experience that made me realize the importance of knowing a banker. While traveling to look at colleges, my dad and I ended up on the airplane that slid off the runway into Boston Harbor. We got out safely, but all our clothes were ruined. My father called a top officer at Republic Bank to make arrangements for a lot more cash than he'd expected to need."

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