

Orchesis to Present Dance Concert

"Eclectic Synthesis", as performed by the orchesis clubs sponsored by Mrs. Kathy Lesley, will dance onto the Niles East stage, Sunday, February 20, at 1:30 p.m.

Eclectic Synthesis can be defined as the combining of the best elements selected from diverse sources into a unified entity. In regard to dance, this refers to the various styles of both music and movement that have been chosen for this pro-

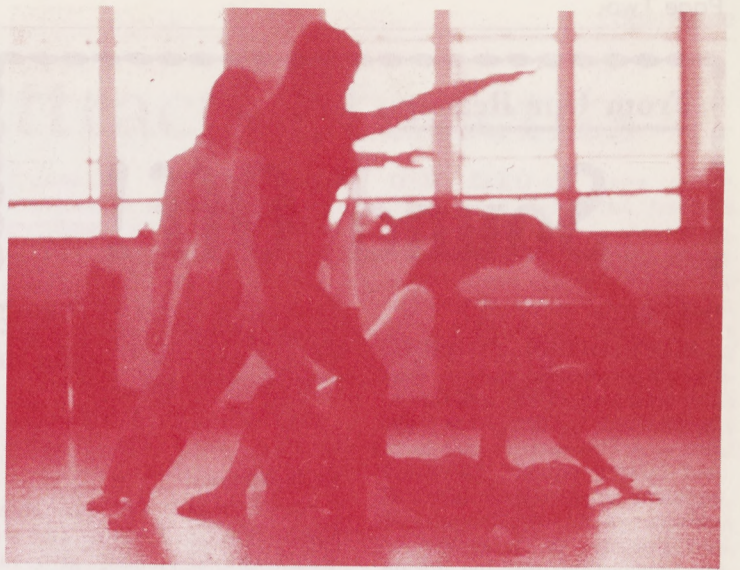
gram in order to provide a varied, individualistic yet unified presentation of the versatility of dance.

THE FIFTEEN DANCES are choreographed by volunteers from senior orchesis who are also responsible for their lighting, staging, and costuming. Junior orchesis' dance is made up by a group of members compromising their ideas. Senior orchesis choreographers include Elysa Barack, '72, Emy Baigelman, '72, Faye Estrin '73, Eve-

lyn Koehline '72, Marsha Weinstein '72, Laura Lillien '73, Amy Ginsburg '73, Debby Schoenbrod '73, Linda Sieber '72, Lesley Kaplan '73, Joan Moskowitz '72, and Debbie Deitch '72.

"Intarshia", "Yataghan," "ph 45," "Impulse", "Three Fates," "Time Piece," and "B-Bop B-Bop", are just a few of the original dance names.

Tickets are \$1 for adults, 50 cents for students and can be purchased from any orchesis member.



Orchesis dancers practice their routine for their upcoming show, "Eclectic Synthesis."



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'Fiddler' on Its Way

"Fiddler on the Roof" is coming to Niles East! The musical story of the tribulations of persecuted Jewish people in Anatevka, Russia will be presented at 8 p.m. on March 16, 17, and 18.

THE STORY IS CENTERED AROUND Tevye, the dairyman, who will be played by Rob Feder, '72, and his family. Judy Fields, '72, will play his wife, Golde. Their daughters, named Tzeitel, Hodel, Chava, Shprintze and Bielke, will be respectively played by Cheryl Frazes, '72, Karla Rosenzweig, '73, Cheryl Palles, '72, Gail Pinsky, '75, and Denise Feldman, '75.

Rounding out the cast are Karyn Esken, '73, as Yente the matchmaker; Andy Rosenson, '72, as Motel the tailor; Jeff Ortmann, '72, as Perchik; Marc Schwartz, '72, as Lazar Wolf;

Dan Malfar, '73, as Fyedka; Brad Bentcover, '73, as Mordcha the innkeeper; Stew Figa, '74, as the Rabbi; Jeff Langer, '73, as Mendel, the Rabbi's son; Clare Ashley, '72, as Grandma Tzeitel; Leslie Suslick, '74, as Fruma-Sarah; Laura Black, '73, as Shandel, Motel's mother; Jef Block, '72, as the Fiddler; Barry Goldman, '72, as Nachum the beggar; Mark Isaacson, '73, as Avram the bookseller; and Chuck Lutz, '73, as the Constable. The cast will be supported by 41 other students who will sing in the chorus, and the orchestra.

THE FACULTY MEMBERS INVOLVED with "Fiddler" include Mr. Jerry Proffit, director; Mr. Leo Provost, orchestra conductor; Mr. Robert Anderson, vocal director; Mrs. Karen Helfand, drama director; Mrs.

Kathy Lesley, choreographer, and Mr. Stanley Carey, costumes. The student director is Nora Winsberg, '72.

Government News

STUDENT LEGISLATURE:

A committee has been formed to get political candidates to speak at Niles East. Prospects include Adlai Stevenson III, Philip Crane, and a representative for George McGovern. Last Thursday, Lee Kulbarsh, 17-year-old from Evanston High School, spoke in the auditorium to gain support. He is running for candidate to the Democratic Convention from our district.

Since voter registration isn't allowed in school, the legislature has made arrangements to bus interested students to the Niles Township Clerk's office.

A committee has been appointed to revise the Legislature constitution and a proposal to do away with substitute teachers for a one- or two-day absence was made by the substitute committee.

A list of grievances is being formed on the busing situation and suggestions will be given to Mr. James Swanson and the Maierhofer Bus Company.

The SAB is slowly declining as a result of the lack in student participation. Two volunteers are needed for office of secretary and judge advocate. Students are being interviewed for membership in the next term.

SOPHOMORE CABINET:

Don't be surprised if you receive a candy heart in home-room as a result of the sophomores' candy-gram sale. Trojan T-shirts will go on sale at a discount price in the near future.

JUNIOR CABINET:

Juniors are continuing their planning for Prom, the theme of which will be "Days of the Future Past." They are still arranging the showcase, looking for a band, and choosing bids. Student help is still needed; one can come to Room 206 on any Tuesday afternoon at 3:30.

SENIOR CABINET:

Thank you to all who participated in the seniors' graffiti painting project held in the student lounge during finals.

Colleges Can Help Financially

No doubt about it, it is getting harder to find money for a college education these days.

In virtually all cases, financial aid for students is based almost entirely upon need. And this often makes it difficult for a student from a "middle-income" family to qualify for such aid. Consequently, many students think a state university is the only one they can afford.

But, according to Anthony T. G. Pallett, Director of College Admissions and Aid in the College of The University of Chicago, the financial "squeeze" shouldn't frighten many students who want to enroll in a private university.

PALLET INDICATES THAT MANY STUDENTS from families with incomes in the range of \$15,000 to \$22,000 receive enough financial aid at a private institution so that the family actually pays little if any more than it would if the student entered a public institution with lower tuition fees.

In some cases, Pallett says, with the aid available to students from private colleges, a number of families may actually find it less expensive to send their son or daughter to a private college.

"Naturally, this is not true for the middle-income family in every situation but it is true for some. And if students want the small classes and close contact with faculty for which the best private institutions are known, I think it is very unfortunate that they and their families do not investigate carefully the financial aid opportunities available to them," states Pallett.

"It is sad to realize that so many students are denying themselves the best in education because they are unaware of the financial assistance which may be available."

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, for example, has a policy whereby all candidates approved for admission get the financial aid they need. During a recent year, Pallett notes, about 57 per cent of the incoming freshmen received financial aid from the University. This aid averaged \$1,624 for each. Approximately 80 per cent of all University students are receiving financial assistance from one source or more, outside the family. Tuition in the College of the University currently is \$2,475 for a normal three-quarter academic year.

"We want students from all economic backgrounds," Pallett states, "and we will do our best to assist all students, no matter where they live or what their family incomes are."

Home Ec Department Adds New Courses

Niles East's home ec department is expanding its program for next fall. Two new semester courses will be offered: a men's chef course and an advanced child development course.

THE MEN'S CHEF COURSE will be open to all boys, although juniors and seniors will be given preference when registering. It will be especially designed for guys, who will be taught such things as cooking different cuts of meat rather than following a typical girls' curriculum. It will be a semester lab course, which means that it will be 63 minutes long and carry a major credit. This course should be really useful to boys who are planning to live away from home after graduating from high school.

Girls who enroll in the advanced child development course will be running a small nursery school three days a week. A prerequisite for this course is that the student must have taken the beginning child development course offered at

Niles East. Both courses are lab courses, run for one semester, and carry one major credit. In addition to running the nursery school three days a week in a special room to be used just for this purpose, girls will meet in a classroom the remaining two days every week, where they will plan activities for the children and discuss how to improve the nursery school. A program of this kind is currently being offered at Niles West, and has shown very good results.

BOTH THE BEGINNING AND ADVANCED child care programs are only offered to juniors and seniors, but sophomores who would like to enroll in the advanced program first semester next year may have their schedules changed for next semester so that they can take counselors have been informed of all changes in this department. Students with any other questions can see Dr. Barbara Ray or Miss Traub, the directors of these courses.

News Hilites

Legislature Sponsors Voter Registration

Niles East Student Legislature is sponsoring a voter registration campaign tomorrow and Thursday for the Primary elections to be held on March 21, 1972.

All students who will be 18 on or before March 21, are urged to participate in this campaign. Free bus service will be provided on these two days to Niles Township Clerk Leonard J. Ash's office on 5255 Main in Skokie. One bus will leave Exit 13 at 10:30 a.m. and another at 1 p.m. both days. The registration deadline is February 21.

A PERSON IS ELIGIBLE to vote if he is a United States citizen, has lived in Illinois since September 21, 1971, and will have lived in his voting district 30 days prior to March 21, 1972. Voters must register in person if they are registering for the first time, he last registered outside Cook County or in the City of Chicago, or he has changed his name since registering.

Any other students who will be 18 on or before November 7, 1972, may register in the fall.

Nurses Honored for Service to School

For "outstanding contributions to the welfare of our children," the nurses at Niles East were rewarded for a job well done on Wednesday, January 26. Governor Richard B. Ogilvie had proclaimed this day "School Nurse Day" in Illinois.

FOR THE TWO NURSES, it was another full day of work. "Maybe we'll give each other a rose," Mrs. Barbara Scarbrough said. But chances are she and her co-worker Mrs. Dorothy Taylor treated the usual amount of headaches, soothed the heartaches, patched the bruises, and shuffled the paperwork.

In their busy workweek, the job is much more than TLC and band-aids. Their duties involve treatment of the faculty, staff, and students in the school. From 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., the two nurses stagger their schedules, one always in attendance to meet illness or injury situations. During an average year, Niles East nurses treat about 9,500 cases.

'Academic' Team Defeated by Batavia

Niles East's "It's Academic" team tied for second place in its recent competition, held on January 30. The team was defeated by Batavia High School (365 points) tying for second with Irving Crown High School with 305 points.

PARTICIPATING IN THE COMPETITION were Scott Bieber, '73, the team captain; Cheryl Heidelberger, '72; and Robert Feder, '72. Alternates standing by were Howard Pearl, '72; Shelly Kagan, '72; and Rick Angell, '73. The team's coach was Mr. Leonard Sachs.

From Our Readers

Sound Off!

Dear Editor,

MANY OTHER STUDENTS, including myself, have a great complaint about the article "Library-Noise With New Features." The article obviously had good intentions, but the librarians seem to have taken advantage of it. This is the opinion, I'm sure, of the majority of the school that uses the library. For example — we believe the limited amount of whispering without disturbing other people is tolerable. Also, I have seen people who try to work in a booth, get kicked out because someone has asked a librarian if he could work in a booth. I also have witnessed people getting thrown out for working quietly. We are high school students and in the public libraries people are never thrown out.

LIBRARIANS ACCEPT YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES! DON'T THROW US OUT BECAUSE YOU DON'T LIKE US!

L.G '74

Dear Editor,

ON BEHALF OF the Niles East American Field Service we would like to publicly give our sincerest thanks to Mrs. Maki of the cafeteria staff for all of the help she has given us in preparing for our basketball game concessions. She has gone out of her way in order to help us and we truly appreciate her efforts. From all of us in AFS to you, Mrs. Maki, we send our love and a big **THANK YOU!**

**Judy Matsuoka '72
Bruce Silverman '72
Co-Presidents AFS**

Personal Essay

Amateurs Control Olympics

By Linda Sieber

Every four years the best amateur athletes from around the world compete against each other in the greatest sports spectacular — The Olympics.

This year the winter pageant was held in Sapporo, Japan with 35 different countries from around the globe participating. Unfortunately only a few countries are able to break world records and achieve the gold, silver, or bronze medals. Some of the smaller countries send only two or three representatives but they're determined to try and that's what counts. The athletes compete in various skiing, skating, and sledding events.

ONE OF THE MAIN FEATURES of the Olympics is the fact that all participants must be amateurs. This means they must not accept any money for services connected with their sport. Many of the competitors feel that it should be open to all athletes, professional or not, because the Olympics supposedly represent the "ideal" athletes from around the world. This would make competition a lot harder. A possible compromise which has caused a lot of dispute is allowing the contestants to deal with advertising. Karl Schranz of Austria, one of the best skiers in the world, gave his name to a ski company to use in advertisements, thus he was disqualified from the Olympics in Sapporo. The Austrians were upset to say the least, and contemplated going home but they changed their mind after Schranz asked them to stay; however, he returned before the festivities. One comment Schranz made was that many other competitors had done the same thing and were not dismissed, but he wouldn't mention any names.

THOSE ARE THE RULES, but I really don't see why advertising makes one better in his field, which deciphers professional from amateur. I feel the reasoning was that Schranz is too good to compete with the rest and this was a clean way to discontinue his Olympic career.

The Olympics constitute an opportunity for world unity under one common concern, athletics. The team members have the honor to represent their country in a pageant of glory, win or lose. Each year some go home feeling defeated and this year Karl Schranz was one of them.

Dreams Are Gone Now

He sat by the radio for the entire morning, never moving nor making a sound, except turning the volume louder. In Washington, the radio correspondent said, the lottery had begun.

HIS STOMACH TIGHTENED as they began. The first numbers were called, but they were meaningless to him. More numbers were thrown in his face, still no relief, and no hope, either.

"How much longer can they torment me like this?" his conscience nagged.

It wasn't a pleasant day. The ground hog saw his shadow, and millions of eighteen and nineteen-year-olds saw shadows of their future, some ecstatic because of the three digit numbers assigned to them, and others with tears welling up in their eyes, or crying inside because of a low number drawn for them.

MANY BOYS REALIZED, probably for the first time, what being a young man living in the United States today means . . . voting for the candidate of his choice in the next election, and serving his country in the armed forces. For many, though, who aren't sure of the cause for which they will serve and spend two, or possibly more, years of their young lives fighting, don't think that their dreams for the future should they be shattered because of a simple number picked.

NEWSPAPER STORIES which turn toward President Nixon, and the presidential election, are full of hope, but false hope is all it is. Only pages behind, the latest combat death toll stares the public in the face.

The lottery, the draft, the war . . . all big issues in the news today. It seems though, like pollution, all that most, including the President can do is talk, wait and hope.

Striving For A Cause

Students, the faculty, and parents at New Trier East High School in Winnetka, worked together for one full year to create a dream . . . and finally after long hours, and months of planning they saw their dream come true.

THE GOAL that they had in sight was to enable students to learn or have the chance to experience a new way of learning, in a way, which they dubbed "free form classes." These so called "classes" were scheduled to be held for three days during the school year, when the school would drop their regularly scheduled classes and hold sessions in various fields such as Comic Book history, Mexican Flower Making, and offer field trips to sculpturers' studios, ham radio shacks, and Chicago's ethnic neighborhoods. To even further tempt the student, he could, if he wished, take an "internship" at a local animal hospital, a law office, or a hardware store. Forty local businesses offered positions for students to fill during the three days of "free form

classes." Twenty special events were scheduled, one being a performance by the Second City Players. Classes which were held in the conventional way, were taught by architects, insurance brokers, judges, and lawyers in those areas. Students had a wide scope of opportunities to choose from, and much knowledge to be gained.

The main goal of this well structured, and implicitly planned program was to prove that learning need not take place in a structured forty-minute period, or inside a building. Many New Trier hi students can probably vouch for that.

Many students who go to Nilehi East are probably wondering why should anybody bother to relate the experiences of a school in a neighboring suburb? Why . . . maybe students at Easthi will be fascinated, or moved enough to give impetus to the start of planning a comparable program in their own high school . . . It isn't impossible to form a program like New Trier did. School, where a

person spends so much of his time as a child, adolescent, and young adult, need not be a dull place to come because the Illinois State Law said that is how it must be. Nilehi East can be a place one can look forward to coming to by instituting programs to further knowledge in different fields, and by finding other ways to make the curriculum more interesting.

MAYBE THE STUDENTS AT EAST will try to make different ways to make this institution a more enjoyable environment. It isn't impossible, but on the other hand, it takes many long tedious hours of planning in order to insure success. But, the final result proves that it may be well worth any student's while to think about beginning a short, experimental curricula comparable to "free form classes." Working toward accomplishing this program, or any long range goal would bring much needed unification to the student body, and bring with it an added accomplishment . . . a way to make the seemingly boring learning process enjoyable! It is food for thought . . .

College — A Growing Myth

AS THE LAST FEW MONTHS of high school flies by for the seniors, there is one frequently heard sentence that resounds throughout the halls. It goes something like this: "Hey, guess what! I got accepted at University of Frostbite Falls!" The listener replies quite innocently, "Oh, really? Where is that I've never even heard of it!"

"Are you kidding? It's in Minnesota!"

"Oh, really. Well, uh, what are you planning on majoring in?"

"Ummm. I don't really know. See, I want to be a plumber, but my mom and pop want me to be a brain surgeon. U. of F.F. has one of the best medical schools in the country!"

"Don't you think that it is kind of dumb to go to that type of college if you really want to be a plumber!"

"Mom and pop think that I should go there, anyhow, then decide that I want to be a brain surgeon . . . no, no I mean then

go to a trade school for plumbing!"

Although the preceding conversation may be exaggeration, the point is the same! Many young people go on to the university level because they have been taught that it is the right thing to do, by their parents, and encouraged by the affluent society that surrounds them every day. Few, however, have given this point a moment of thought; maybe college isn't the right place for every student. For those who want to specialize in a trade such as carpenter-electronics, plumbing, nursing, or laboratory technology, then why not go directly to an institution where these trades are taught.

Another popular myth also surrounds the college-after-high school gang — to get a quality education, one must go away from home! The student who remains at home, or so it is believed by "the out of towners" is at a definite disadvantage!

How untrue! The windy city is the home of many excellent colleges. For art students, one can almost do no better than the Art Institute, and for a journalism student, Northwestern University offers its Medill School of Journalism.

GOING TO COLLEGE has been blown way out of proportion, maybe because it wasn't very long ago that everyone didn't attend a college or university after graduation, but sought employment after high school. Those of that generation, understandably, want the children of this generation to have what they didn't and for a great number of them, it's a college education.

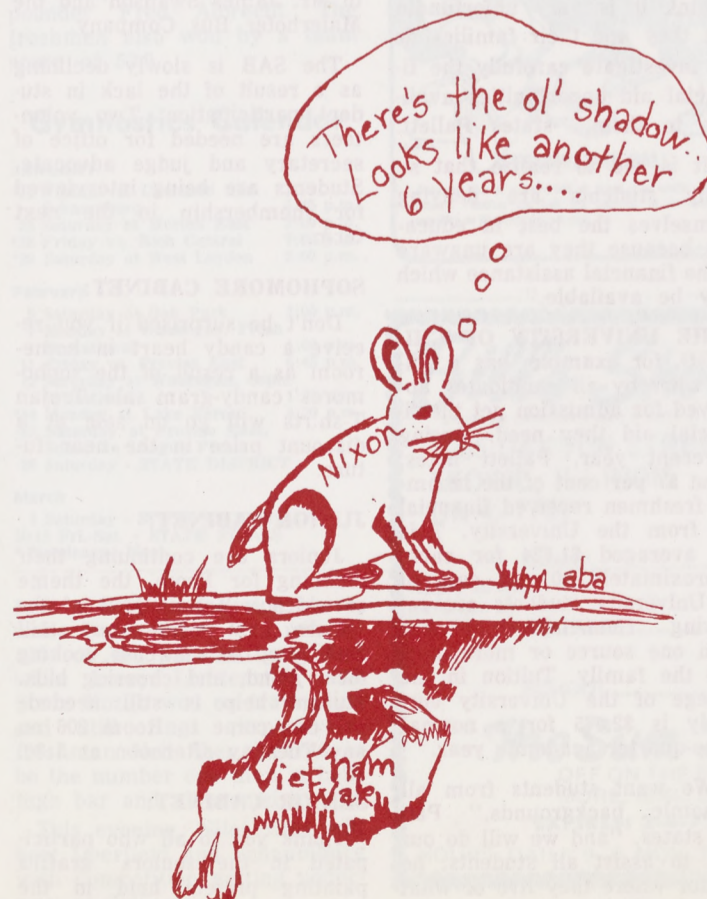
However, those of preceding generations must realize that college doesn't appeal to all high school students. They must learn to respect those wishes. Society also must learn to accept the fact that some people won't be doctors and lawyers, and that many students will live at home for quite a while after graduation. The choice is strictly personal . . . and as individual's, all wishes must be respected, and not looked down upon because it isn't the "classical ideal" that the middle class set up for young men and women who have received their high school diploma!

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Classroom Atmosphere Attracts Students

By Laura Miller

As the scene unfolded, a comparatively large room, furnished in Early Worn, was revealed. Two upholstered armchairs held the attention initially, one pink and one green. Cotton stuffing bled from their torn covers. However, they tended to add an air of elegance to the room rather than detract from it.

Surrounding these distinguished guests were less attractive seating accommodations. Though yellow wooden chairs trimmed in mud-brown metal could be found in abundance, a ledge near the back of the room was preferred. Window sills, cast-iron radiators, and even the cold tile floor took priority over those shunned yellow seats.

Toward the far end of the room, a cork bulletin board lived eternally fixed to the wall.

Huge in dimensions, it offered the day's news to whomsoever should care to know.

NEAR THE FRONT, but off to one side a neglected yellowish desk sulked over its lost importance. Attention now was focused mainly on the center of the room, and indeed, at times it was truly difficult to distinguish the front of the room from the back or the sides.

This room had sufficient access to the outside world boasting windows on both sides, an irregularity which added a distinct quality of spaciousness to the already large areas.

Like a saloon on a Western set, it constantly saw the action.

During certain times of the day the room was nearly jammed to capacity while at other hours only two or three people were present to experience its hospitality.

Entering this room one might see a lively debate unfold or the inhabitants turn silent in thoughtful consideration. The young were free to stretch out in a corner or sit feet fangling from a ledge. Some would sit erect and attentive while others snuggled down into the comfortable upholstered armchairs for a few restful moments.

THIS WAS PREVIOUSLY the

Humanities classroom, 226. A combination of the physical surroundings and the ideas expounded there made it a special place. The room itself had a feel different from the majority of traditional classrooms. Thus the class rarely was seated in rows, but rather in a circle making it difficult to discern the teachers from the students.

Upholstered chairs, so far removed from hard wooden desks, dismissed any thoughts of drilling ideas into students' heads. Rather they led to free discussion between equals. A student sitting in a small desk confronted by the authoritarian teacher occupying a much larger desk conveys a feeling of subservience both physically and psychologically. However, lounging in an armchair, the student is himself confronting the world as he would from his home or any other place where he is welcomed.

The room itself must have been special because students spent more than just their assigned time there. Some audited classes during their free periods, and when no classes were in session still they came to enjoy the spacious, unpretentious atmosphere uncommon to most other areas of the school.

HOWEVER, NOT EVERY-

ONE LIKED the room, either. They were given the freedom to choose whether to stay or go. The discussions on art, philosophy, music, politics — life, we important as an interpretation of experience, but perhaps some students felt the need to gain more direct experience. The unstructured atmosphere left some students grasping for facts as evidence of their educational progress.

Educators have not sufficiently tested the effects of physical surroundings on learning achievements to form any positive conclusions. However, it is generally acknowledged that students learn best in comfortable, warm and congenial surroundings. An unpleasant environment adds frustration to the already difficult task of grasping new concepts.

Today, the Humanities Room has been converted into an office complete with royal blue carpeting, huge desks, and any green filing cabinets. No room has been created to replace the loss, for the course has been discontinued. For all the administration's attempts to humanize the schools it appears that they overlooked one source of warmth, friendliness, and freedom to be oneself — the Humanities Room, 226.

Tradition Supports Women's Lib

By Janet Coclanis

Every four years when Leap Year returns, with its 366 days, it is especially welcomed by those born on February 29, for then they can really celebrate their birthdays.

And it is a time for rejoicing by all unmarried females, for it has long been a woman's right to propose to the man of her choice during this year.

For many years it was an unwritten law in Britain that if a man didn't accept a woman's proposal during Leap Year, he had to pay a forfeit of a silk dress. It was customary for each female planning to take advantage of her special right to let her intentions be known by wearing a scarlet petticoat that

could be shown beneath her dress skirt.

IN 1288 A.D., SCOTLAND passed a law providing that every woman had the right to propose to a man, and if he didn't accept, he had to pay her a pound unless he was engaged to someone else.

If an unattractive lady decided to propose to more than one man during this special year, she might add much to her bank account! Leap Year has been an "open season" on bachelors, but it hasn't had much effect on marriage rates. The nation's marriage rate is more apt to go down during Leap Year. It seems most women would still rather be pursued than to pursue.

Massacre Reveals 'Sweet' Memories

By Janet Coclanis

Chicago has become well-known for its organized crime and the G-Men and police who oppose it.

Big Jim Colosiom, Johnny Torrio, Al Capone — were all ruthless, powerful syndicate rulers and all operated in Chicago. They had hundreds of gunmen supporting them: "Machine Gun" Jack McGurn, Paul "The Waiter" Ricca, and Louie "Little New York" Campagne, to name a few.

THESE MEN PLOTTED HUNDREDS of killings — two hundred in one four-year period. They shot Dion O'Banion in the florist shop as he arranged flowers for another criminal's funeral, and they gun-downed his successor, Hymie Weiss, in

front of the Near North Side's Holy Name Cathedral. Early in the thirties there even was one battle at high noon near the world's busiest corner, State and Madison Streets.

Times have changed since the days of open gang warfare which culminated on February 14, 1929. George "Bugs" Moran refused to cooperate with the Capone organization; thus, four men — two impersonating police officers — entered a garage at 2122 North Clark Street and murdered seven members of this North Side gang. The St. Valentine's Day Massacre removed all of Al Capone's competitors and at the age of 32, he ruled Chicago's entire underworld.

Valentine's Day Reviews Childhood Memories

By Susan Zelvin

A cootie is someone who only receives 10 valentines when there are 26 students in the class.

One of the "funniest" times in grammar school was pre-Valentine's Day preparations. Math problems, writing lessons, and short story readers were all skimmed on so there would be plenty of time to make shoe box Valentine mail-boxes and paper doiled cards for mommy and daddy.

Of course, just as a child recognizes the signs of an approaching Christmas, the Valentine atmosphere is also eagerly anticipated long before its specified day.

WE NEVER NEEDED TO LOOK at a calendar to find out when Valentine's Day was, because it came about three weeks after the first box of little candied hearts (with sayings on them) appeared on the shelves of Ben Franklin, Gordon's Drugstore, Landsman's Pharmacy, and Alexander's.

It was always easy to determine the sex of the owner of a box of hearts. In a boy's box there would be a random remainder of hearts. But, in a girl's box, all the pink and yellow ones would be untouched. The pink said "I love you" and the yellow ones said "Be Mine." (Of course, we never gave them to anyone.)

entire festivities was coming home from school and finding the box of 89 cent valentines that your mother had bought for you. (To the best of my knowledge, not even Kenilworth students bought the individual kind during grammar school days.)

I can remember my excitement as I spread the valentines across the kitchen table. I would carefully read each valentine in preparation for the grand selection that would follow.

"Hmm that's an icky one, so I'll give it to that kid who always throws-up in class."

THE PROCESS TOOK ABOUT two hours and the culmination of it all came when the best valentine was folded and sealed for "teacher." Then I triumphantly stacked up the envelopes and showed them to my mother.

"Susan, there's only 25 cards here, when there are 26 kids in the class."

"I know that Mommy, I didn't give one to the cootie."

Like past Valentine's Days, my mother made me explain just how exactly one became a cootie, and the discussion was terminated with me addressing a valentine to the cootie.

As I look back on those past Valentine's Days, I feel a little ashamed. Yes, on this February 14, I'm taking a cootie to lunch.

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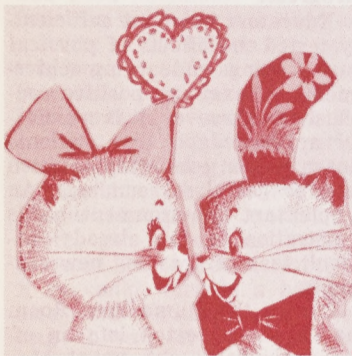
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Rapping It Up

Cupid's Gentle Darts

Dear L.B. I love you always.
Love, S.T.



Dear Sue: May we always stay together in love.
Love, Jim



Dear Linda: Hope your birthday was filled with happiness.
Love, Spanky and Our Gang



Carol: Need has brought us together, love shall keep us as one.
Forever yours, Mike

A Valentine to the songwriters of the world who have taught me all I know about Cupid's gentle darts and to all those like-minded right-minded readers who can tell with 88 works are celebrated in this serpentine confetti of heartfelt tribute, to wit (and to woo):

I'M IN THE MOOD FOR LOVE makes the world go round and round and it comes out here's to love is a simple things ain't what they used to be my love me or leave me and my gal Sally in our alley alley oop be careful it's my heart and so(ul) in love love love all we need is my love to keep me warm so they say

it with music in the air near you're my everything I have is yours poor butterfly me to the moon comes over the mountain music maestro please don't say no say maybe I'm wrong maybe I'm right to sing the blues my honey baby taught to me and my shadow of your smile smile smile smiles that make you happy in love bug will getcha if you don't watch out of nowhere or when the blue of the night meets the gold of the gloomy Sunday Monday or always keep your sunny side up up and away down yonder in New Orleans when my sugar walks down the riverside by side bidding my time after time

on my hands across the table in my reverie you make me so very happy it could happen to you and I'll never fall in love again promises promises is that all there is you is or is you ain't my baby it's cold outside in the still of the night and day in day out where the West begins the beginning to see the light just in time I can't begin to tell you I'll be around the world in 80 days exactly like you embraceable you all of you irresistible you because you're mine when the saints go marching in I can't give you anything but love baby won't you please come home sweet home. . . .
Roderick Nordell



T.J. Sorry my T.B. hugs aren't good miles away.
T. R. Baskin



Happy Birthday Linda from the rest of the crew.



Dear Romeo: I miss you too much! Thanks for the roses.
Love, Juliet

Dear H.S. Wait till you find out what we'll do tonight.
Love, S.P.

Happy Birthday to our favorite Notehand teacher.
Silly gals from period 9!

George's Smile Lives On

By Susan Zelvin

George Washington is noted, among other things, for his stern, steady appearance. In fact, all the pictures of him in magazines or on postage stamps show him in that characteristic pose, with a closed mouth. Most people have never questioned this "always closed mouth;" they just wonder how he can do it.

The father of our country had false teeth because when he was a little boy he didn't brush right, with Crest. But Washington's problem was more than just his false teeth. It was even bigger than not being able to eat apples because his denture cream left gaps.

DURING WASHINGTON'S ERA, all false teeth were made of wood. Washington had to keep his mouth shut because there were no maple wood dentures available in his size to go with his early American furniture. Instead of spending a lot of money to change the decor of his house, he kept his

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SPECIAL EVENTS:
Fiddler On The Roof—McClurg Court—thru 2/29
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Andy Williams, Henry Mancini—Arie Crown—3/11-3/14
Emerson, Lake, and Palmer—Arie Crown—3/17
Yes—Arie Crown—3/21
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Sonny James & the Nashville Brass—Arie Crown—4/9

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Rod McKuen—Arie Crown—4/22
Four Seasons—Arie Crown—5/5
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T. Rex—Auditorium—2/24
Lettermen—Auditorium—3/10-3/11
Kinks—Auditorium—3/12
Laura Nyro—Auditorium—3/18
Badfinger and Al Kooper—Auditorium—3/24
Melanie—Auditorium—3/25
Pink Floyd—Auditorium—4/28
Winter Jazz—Opera Touse—2/26

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Golddiggers—Empire Room—2/24-3/8
Mel Torme—Empire Room—4/7-4/24

THEATRE:
"1776"—Shubert—thru 3/4
"Royal Family"—Goodman—thru 2/26
"Status Quo Vadis"—Ivanhoe—thru 3/10
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mouth shut for the rest of his life.

The moral of the story is: A chop in time saves nine, especially if they're your front teeth.

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Poetry Corner

Hearts Were Made To Give Away

Hearts were made to give away
On Valentine's good day;
Wrap them up in dainty white,
Send them off the thirteenth night,
Any kind of heart that's handy—
Hearts of lace, and hearts of candy,
Hearts all trimmed with ribbons fine
Send for good St. Valentine.
Hearts were made to give away
On Valentine's dear day.
Annette Wynne

Lincoln

Like a gaunt, scraggly pine
Which lifts its head above the mournful sandhills;
And patiently, through dull years of bitter silence,
Untended and uncared for, starts to grow.
Ungainly, laboring, huge,
The wind of the north has twisted and gnarled its branches;
Yet in the heat of mid-summer days, when thunder clouds ring the horizon,
A nation of men shall rest beneath its shade.
John Gould Fletcher

What Lies Ahead?

By Harvey Berns

AS THE NILEHI East winter sports scene draws to an end the main event is about to begin. State regionals and finals are upon us where the top performers in Illinois have an opportunity to show off their talents.

How will Niles East fare in the competition is a logical question that any loyal Trojan fan would want to know. As usual, the future is in doubt and just about anything can take place. This year's squads could pull off some surprises that have not taken place in quite some time. Within the next month the verdict will have been decided.

Here's a quick run down on the sports that will be involved:

BASKETBALL: Though there is little hope for our cagers in advancing in the tournament, a congratulations is in order to Coach Gary Cook and his players. As the season progressed much improvement took place evident by their first Suburban League win in nearly three seasons.

GYMNASTICS: Continuing

from where they left off last year, the gymnasts have once again experienced a successful season. Undoubtedly the team as a whole and several outstanding individuals have a chance to finish high in the state finals. Concluding the season on a high note is anticipated.

SWIMMING: With only one victory on the year (December 3, against Maine North), it is questionable on how our tanksters will do in post season competition. Inexperience and lack of participation hurt the swimmers' chances.

FENCING: Two seasons ago Niles East fencers were crowned state champions, but after a disappointing season, chances are dim that East will even participate in the event.

WRESTLING: The most surprising team at East is looking forward to the upcoming tournament with great expectations. A combined team effort with several sparkling performances by individuals is forecasted. A high placing in the standings is not unrealistic.

Burton For Certain

By Mark Burton

FOR THOSE WHO like to be pinned down by statistics: The Niles East wrestlers' winning percentage for the 1960-61 season, equaled 89 per cent, with 47 victories, 9 defeats, and 2 ties. Four years ago, the total winning percentage stood at amazing 2.6 per cent with only one meet out of 39 winding up in the plus column for Nilehi! But, last season, the total number of wins was 16, and even though overall losses reached 25, the percentage of wins totaled 39.8 per cent.

This year, wrestling at Niles East has arrived! Our matmen have been consistent winners, and credit must be given to both the performers and the coach, Mr. Fred Richardi. Though a coach is no better than the players who work for him, the record speaks for itself. The grapplers deserve the acknowledgement and congratulations of the entire student body.

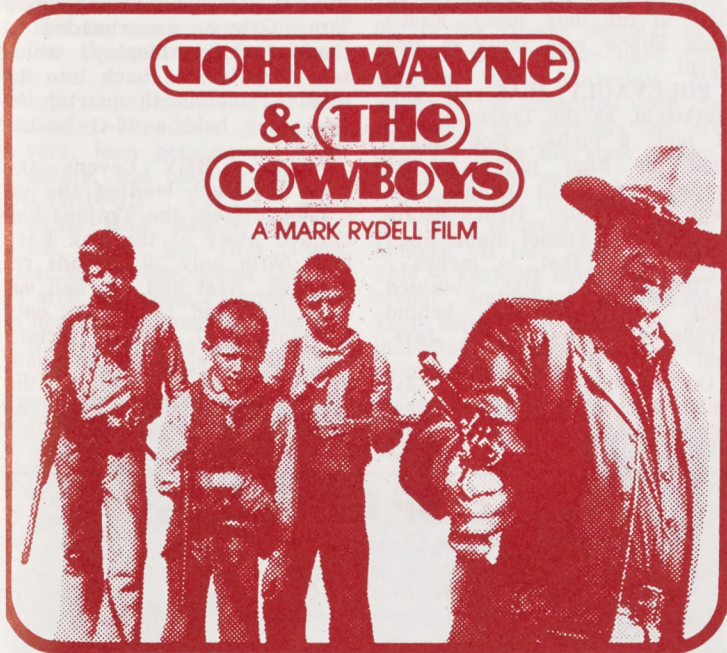
"I let the kids wrestle on the same level. Freshmen compete against freshmen, and sophomores are matched against

sophomores. Eighty per cent of a match is mental; it's up to the boy himself. Attitude is the most important thing, but as for coaching, anyone could have done it, and can do it, if they have the right logic," commented Mr. Richardi.

WRESTLING IS a winning proposition on all levels, and the freshmen and sophomores give every indication of following in the proud tradition of the varsity. Even though a team is no better than its weakest link, there doesn't appear to be a weak link in the Trojan wrestling machine. For the long suffering fan at Niles, that is good news for a change.

By the way, did you know that Mr. Howard Byram "is the father of Nilehi East wrestling?" Byram was coach for 14 seasons, and presided over wrestling in 1960-61, the finest season East ever had. He also started the winning tradition — in fact, wrestling may now be rated WA (winning attitude); this explains the ascension of the sport in our school.

They were all just boys. They were all he had.



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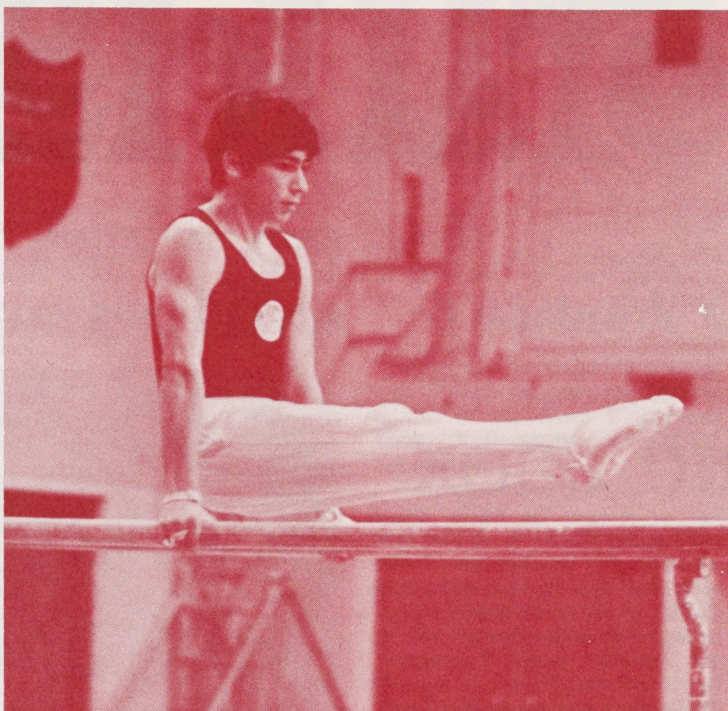
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Senior gymnast Dave Cypin performs the "L" on the parallel bars.

Trojan Wars

By Norwin Merens

The crack of the starter's gun has already signaled the first major indoor track competition of 1972 in track, a sport where it's going to be slightly tougher — in four events, at least, to qualify for the state finals next May. The Illinois High School Association has tightened its district qualifying requirements in the 100-yard dash from :10.1 to :10; the 120-yard high hurdles — from :15.1 to :15; the high jump — from 6 feet, 1 inch to 6-2; and the pole vault — from 12 feet, 8 inches to 13 feet. Qualifying standards in the remaining 11 events remain the same as last year.

"Donkey basketball" will once again be the rule rather than the exception at Nilehi East.



A false start occurs when a runner starts before the gun is fired. After three false starts a runner is disqualified. A false start is also called "jumping the gun" . . . this is risky with an impatient starter.

So convinced by its smashing success last year, the Booster Club is bringing the donkeys back for a repeat performance on Friday night, March 24. Tickets for this hilarious event will go on sale in the Athletic Director's office within the next few weeks.

A girls' dance show will be held next Sunday at 3 p.m. in the auditorium. Under the direction of Mrs. Kathy Lesley, the program is more familiarly known as "Eclectic Synthesis."

An Interscholastic Badminton tournament is scheduled for Monday, February 28, in the contest gym. Several schools from the Chicago area are involved in this athletic event.

Spring sports officially get underway on Wednesday, March 1. On that date, Coach Nick Odllivak's varsity baseballers begin full scale training in the indoor track. Baseball on the JV, sophomore, and freshmen levels will commence at about the same time.

Tennis and golf will start

Gymnasts Ready And Waiting

Nilehi East's varsity gymnasts have built their season record to a respectable 13-3 mark. In facing Oak Park on February 5, the Trojans concluded competition against tougher opponents. Presently, Coach Tom Sokalski's acrobats are looking to the upcoming league and district meets.

THIS SATURDAY'S LEAGUE MEET will pit the Suburban League's finest gymnasts at Proviso East. District competition begins on February 26, when the Trojans travel to Glenbrook South. Such formidable teams as Evanston, New Trier East, and Niles North will send representatives in hopes of advancing to the sectionals and state finals.

At the moment, the Trojan gymnasts have won five consecutive meets. (This in itself has given them a great deal of time in preparing for state competition.) An indication of the team's strength came on January 29, when East buried East Leyden, 122.15 to 61.23.

NOT TO BE overlooked are the impressive records of both the freshmen and sophomores. Both levels are still undefeated in Suburban League competition and it appears they will both become SL champs. This feat is a repeat performance for the sophs. The 10th grade performers include Gary Siegal, Lorry Lichtenstein, Barry Scher, Scott Harrison, Bill Bro, and Steve Kolub, Freshman, Neil Sher is ranked number one in the SL's all-around event.

Niles North counters New Trier East. The regional is the first to be held at East in over ten years.

Fencers Handicapped In Bouts

THE PROSPECTS for the Niles East fencers are somewhat bleak. As their season comes to an end the Trojans possess only one win, against the Dixon Squires Club.

In that meet the varsity A team, comprised of juniors, Mike Winter, Phil Spitz, and Bill Osness compiled a 4-5 record. The varsity B team brought the fencers from behind, as juniors, sophomores, and freshmen swept Dixon 9-0, giving Niles East a 13-5 victory.

AFTER LOSING TO MAINE South 12-6, the Trojans competed in the Intersuburban League fencing tournament on Saturday, January 29. They placed fifth out of six teams,

finishing behind Notre Dame, Niles West, New Trier West, and New Trier East.

Due to the unsuccessful season, Coach Robert Keen is uncertain as to whether his team will travel to Champaign this year. Though the state finals are invitational in nature, Keen believes it might be a waste of the school's money, if the foilers have only an outside chance for the state crown.

TOP TROJAN FENCERS in 1971-72 are Mike Winter, 14-20, Phil Spitz, 14-20, and Lonny Fleischer, 14-22.

Even though the season has been disappointing for all concerned, next year will perhaps provide a new lease on life.



Varsity fencer Lonny Fleischer, (on left) touchés his counterpart.

Cook: Waukegan Won't Prove Anything

By Norwin Merens

"WAUKEGAN is definitely one of the better teams in the state. However, they're not going to prove anything if they beat us by 40 plus points." Thus were the sentiments of Trojan basketball coach Gary Cook as he discussed the upcoming game against the highly regarded Bulldogs.

For the Trojans, Saturday's contest will be the home finale of the Suburban League season and the last time Niles and Waukegan will get together in conference competition. In an earlier meeting, the Bulldogs defeated East by a substantial margin.

THE WAUKEGIANS present-

ly possess a 9-1 record in the SL, overall this season they are 16-3. One of the reasons for the team's emergence this year, has been the play of 6'11" center, Bill Rucks. In averaging 20 points per game, his shots are usually made right in close to the basket. Other members in the Waukegan cast include Don Demkiw and Dave Bitterman at forward, Columbus McCoy and Larry Brown at guard posts and Ted Kuderko and Greg Hasty in substitution roles.

As has been their plight all season, the Trojans will run up against a team which is just too tall for them. Against Oak Park and New Trier East recently, Niles was simply out of the ball game when it came to this aspect. They have also experienced trouble in penetrating toward the basket, as evidenced in their 67-47 defeat to New Trier.

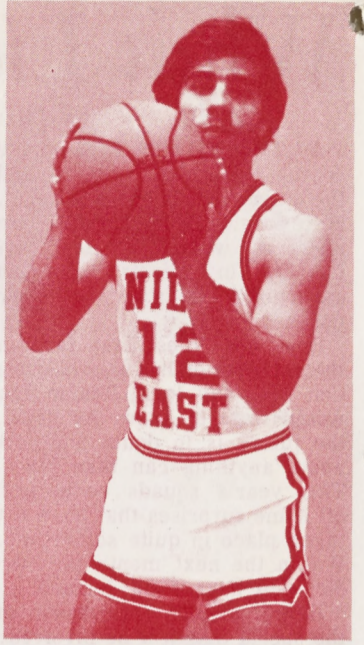
Nonetheless, a bit of light may be shed on the subject of varsity basketball at Niles East. On Friday, January 28, the Trojans defeated Highland Park

65-58. The win represented the first league triumph since East edged Evanston on February 28, 1969. Louie Angelopoulos led all scorers with 27 points. After Highland Park had threatened late in the game, the Trojans rattled off a couple of free throws to pick up the win.

THE CAGERS WILL conclude their regular season on Friday, February 25, when they face the Proviso East Pirates in Maywood. Niles East will host a basketball regional the week of February 28 — March 3. The Trojans are pitted against Evanston in one game, while Niles North faces New Trier East.

SUBURBAN LEAGUE STANDINGS FEBRUARY 10, 1972

	W	L	Pts.	Op.
Waukegan	9	1	602	462
Proviso East	9	1	667	507
Evanston	6	4	550	541
Morton East	5	5	540	534
Highland Park	4	6	575	643
Oak Park	3	7	475	496
New Trier East	3	7	541	653
NILES EAST	1	9	494	698



Louie Angelopoulos (12), Trojan basketball captain for 1971-72, poses for the camera. Against Highland Park, he scored a season's high 27 points. He is the scoring leader on the Trojans after 10 SL games.

Let's Win!

By Jim Cohn

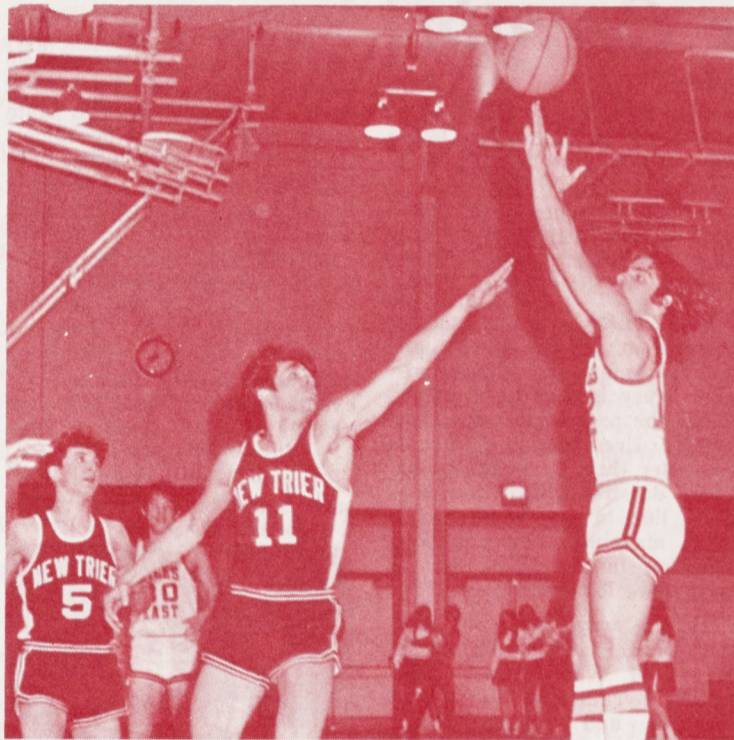
The phrase, "We almost won" is getting to be a cliché among the members of the sophomore basketball team. Out of 17 games this year the sophs have lost only three of them by more than 8 points. Of course one may say that staying close to one's opponent is very commendable, but for the players, it is the most discouraging thing that could happen.

IN THEIR LATEST "almost a win game" the sophomores met the Oak Park Huskies and came out on the short end of a 60-57 score. First quarter action found the Trojans jumping out to a 5-2 lead. But suddenly, things turned around. The Huskies outscored East 17-2 to finish off the quarter with a 19-7 lead.

But the Trojans bounced right back into the ball game as Mark Zolt came off the bench to spark the team into a 19 point quarter. Two free throws by Jim Cohn at the end of the half ended the second quarter comeback and gave East a 25-25 lead.

The third quarter shifted back into Oak Park's favor as guard Tim Grieve spearheaded a sharp-shooting display which sent the Huskies back into the lead. As the fourth quarter began, they held a 46-41 lead.

WITH COREY Levens and Len Weinstein leading the offensive attack, the Trojans had chewed away at the Oak Park lead. With only 30 seconds remaining, East had the ball out of bounds and trailed by only 1 point, 58-57. But a victory was not to be as Grieve again did the damage by stealing the inbound pass and driving in for an unmolested lay-up.



(Photo Credit—THE NEWS—by B. J. Neimer)

Louie Angelopoulos (12) uses his fine form to leap over New Trier East's John Castino (11).

Tracksters Finish Third

Coach Dean Slavens and his Nilehi East varsity track team began their 1972 season on Saturday, February 5, as they participated in the Niles Township District 219 meet at Nilehi East.

FOR THE FIRST meet, the Trojans did rather well in contrast to previous years. Finishing in third place, with 46 points, sister Nilehi West placed first with a 68½, Notre Dame of Niles was second with 51 points, and Nilehi North fourth with 29½. For Niles West, it was their fourth meet of the early track season, and this no doubt figured in the final decision.

Playing a vital role in the meet was Jim Hornthal of West who captured several events.

AFTER STEVE Sussman recorded a fifth in the two mile, Bob Tepp and Dave Gronski inscribed third and fifth place finishes in the high hurdles. Notre Dame's Gary Les, acquired a first in the 880 yard dash, while West won the four lap relay.

In the 440 yard dash, East placed Mike Sternfeld, Bruce Frank, and Greg Brown among the leaders. Hornthal took home the low hurdles with a 7.4, while Tepp finished second and Gronski fourth. Les won the

mile, while Hornthal placed first in the long jump. East's Rick Shane was third in this event.

POLEVAULT WAS all Jeff Hartstein, as the Trojan soared 11 feet, 6 inches. Bob Henry took the high jump, as he leaped 5 feet, 10 inches. Last year as a junior, Henry established a new school madk when he soared 6 feet, ¼ inches.

The Trojans also obtained shot put leadership, behind strongmen Brown, Jeff Jass, and Mark Wilkans.

On the sophomore level, East finished second with 56 points to West's 72.

A SPORTING LOOK

By Norwin Merens

SPORTING WISE, things are just beginning to shape up at Niles East. The culmination of a fine winter season is approaching and with it the expectations of state participation. March and April will bring on an exciting spring athletic program, and from all indications it will be an improvement over last year. Baseball, tennis, golf, and track will take to the lime-light and provide many thrills.

However, the "big" news at Niles will occur by the end of the school year and into the fall. It was recently indicated by Athletic Director, Mr. Jim Heiniger, that Niles East is thinking seriously about a soccer program which would begin in September, 1972. If the Board of Education approves such a step, the Trojans will be represented in 12 different sports. The soccer meets would be conducted at Niles West because of the field facilities offered. Further information regarding soccer at East will be relayed to Nilehite readers in the next few months.

IN ADDITION TO THE SOCCER program is the news concerning Mr. Harold Issacson. To most students and teachers

at Nilehi, Harold Issacson is a name with few associations. However this isn't exactly true, Mr. Issacson is the "Founding Father of Athletics at Niles." Beginning the sports program during the depression years, Issacson remained an integral part of Niles Township until his retirement in 1962. Presently he resides in Mattoon, Illinois.

At one time this man coached football, basketball, and track. He began programs in gymnastics and wrestling during the 1950's. Serving as Athletic Director in the later years, he was responsible for recruiting such fine coaches as Nick Odzivak and Mike Basrak. Now at the age of 71, East is going to honor him for time and services rendered to the school and community. The school intends to name its football field in his honor, when the Trojans play Fremd high school on Saturday, September 16. As the weeks pass more details will be announced.

ALL IN ALL, East can hardly be classified as an uninteresting place — things are really jumpin.

Matmen Take First SL Title Since '59

By Scott Jacobson

FINISHING THEIR SEASON on top of the Suburban League, with an undefeated record of 11-0, the Trojan's sophomore wrestling team looks ahead to next year when they become part of the varsity squad.

In their last meet of the season, the soph's clinched their title by battling the Waukegan Bulldogs to a 26-22 victory.

Since both teams were undefeated and tied for first place, it was a crucial meet for the Trojans.

The soph's jumped to an early lead of 4-0, when Maurice Stein, at 98 lbs., won his match 11-0. The Trojans looked like they were in trouble as Waukegan won the next three weight classes, with a pin and two point decisions, putting East behind 13-4. But the soph's were not to be denied as Larry Yale, 126 outwrestled his opponent to a 10-0 victory, and Larry Cohen, 132 pinned his adversary with just 4 seconds remaining in his bout, giving the Trojans a 14-13 lead.

AFTER DARYL Michaels, 138 won on a point decision and a patented Len Upin pin, the stage was set for the most important match of all. It was Paul Heinz at 185 and his Waukegan counterpart, that would decide the destiny of the Trojan sophs.

After two periods of scoreless wrestling, Heinz was ready to go. At the start of the third period Heinz executed a perfect roll to score 2 points to beat his opponent, giving Niles East their first wrestling title of any kind, since 1959.

Things were not quite the

same on the frosh, junior varsity or varsity levels. In a battle for second place in the Suburban League, the freshman team lost 26-24. Michael Stone, 98 and Harold Gordon, 119 pinned their opponents.

THE ONLY VICTORY for the junior varsity team was an easy 50-14 win.

Although the varsity team closed out its season with a loss, the year as a whole was successful." The only winners against Waukegan in the 41-17 defeat were Gary Castino and Kip Weissman, and a tie by Steve Rock, 132.

Some of the varsity matmen are looking forward to post-season competition.

Post Season Competition For Nilehi's Trojans

- BASKETBALL**
- State Regionals
- February 28 - March 3
- State Sectionals
- March 7 - 10
- State Finals
- March 14, 17 and 18
- WRESTLING**
- State Sectionals
- February 18 - 19
- State Finals
- February 25 - 26
- GYMNASTICS**
- Suburban League Meet
- February 19
- State District
- February 26
- State Sectionals
- March 4
- State Finals
- March 10 - 11
- FENCING**
- State Finals
- February 25 - 26
- SWIMMING**
- State District
- February 18 - 19
- State Finals
- February 25 - 26