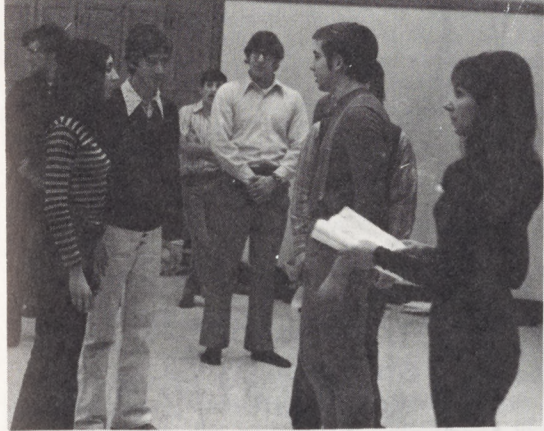


## 'Fiddler on the Roof' Comes Alive



Students and faculty culminate seven weeks of rehearsal next week, as they present "Fiddler on the Roof" Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 16, 17, and 18. Left: Cheryl Frazes, '72; Andy Rosen, '72, and Stew Figa, '74 rehearse as Mrs. Karen Helfand and members of the cast look on. Right: Mr. Jerry Proffit and Mr. Stan Carey discuss costuming with the cast. Tickets are still being sold by the auditorium for \$2, \$1.75, and \$1.50.

## Yearbook Gets Facelift

With only the finishing touches left to be done, work on the 1972 edition of the Niles East yearbook, *Reflections*, is nearing completion.

Considerable changes have taken place in regard to the mechanics of *Reflections* this year, most notable among them being the change to a new publisher. New also to the yearbook is the development of section "controls." These controls are simply a set of internal margins for pictures and copy which makes the layouts of all the pages of a particular section similar.

**DESPITE THESE AND OTHER INNOVATIONS**, the basic format of the book will remain the same, divided into seven sections. Each of these

divisions has its own staff and section editor. These seven editors are all in-turn responsible to the two editors-in-chief, Janine Cohen '72 and Julie Simon '72. Regular editors meetings are held to discuss the progress of the yearbook.

"The most significant development in the staff structure has been the great increase of student photographers. Many of the pictures formerly taken by a professional studio have been delegated to a full staff of student photographers," said Mr. Mel Pirok, yearbook faculty advisor. Mr. Pirok expressed his desire to see even more active student participation on all levels of yearbook production.

Yearbook delivery is expected around the end of May.

## Sisters Skate to Victory

Niles East High school students Denise and Celeste Chlapaty have speedskated their way to victory in the National Outdoor Women's Competition in St. Paul, Minnesota, last month. They hope to win in their category in the upcoming National Indoor Competition tomorrow and Saturday in St. Louis. As members of the Northwest Skating Club, they won the club's uniform and competed under its patronage.

The girls began getting in shape for competition with running and exercising in September and faced qualifying tests in local competition to go to the nationals. Through accumulation of points for each race, the girls

won over the 30 competing skaters at the nationals.

**IN THE 14 TO 15 AGE CATEGORY** which sophomore Denise entered, she skated four races in a two-day span. She competed in the 880- and 440-yard and one-sixth and one-quarter and three-quarter spans.

Both girls became interested in skating about eight years ago through competition in local park districts. Celeste, who plans to go to college next year, is dubious about the amount of skating she will be doing, although now it does not interfere with her school work "if I organize my work." Denise will continue competing in a new age group.

## Government News

### STUDENT LEGISLATURE:

It was decided that last year's senior class gift, a color T.V. set will be kept in AVE and signed out by teachers for classroom use or to a reliable group of students.

The bus committee has turned in a list of grievances to Mr. James Swanson.

A committee has been established to renovate the student lounge and students are free to volunteer for the planning committee, by contacting Mr. Karl DeJonge.

It was reported that a Student Union has been trying to get off the ground involving all three schools. This group will attempt to attack problems of each school through a combined effort.

**THE NEW SAB REPRESENTATIVES** are Chip Selan, Scott Greene, and Carol Manette, with Nanette Friedman and Lee An Jafee as alternates.

Students have been complaining that the lunchroom is not open fifth period until 10:55 a.m. This is unfortunate because many students are scheduled for lunch at this time and 15 minutes is not enough. The legislature is looking into this problem.

Legislature rejected a motion to donate money to redecorate the draft counseling office.

Work has begun on writing a new constitution and restructuring the legislature for next year.

Mort Schaffner, 18-year-old independent candidate for School Board, is scheduled to speak at Niles East in the future.

### SOPHOMORE CABINET:

Sophomores want to thank everyone who supported their Valentine's Day candy-gram sale which according to them was highly successful and will be repeated next year. Presently plans are being completed for an all-school poster sale which would offer a wide variety of popular posters at discount prices.

### JUNIOR CABINET:

Prom time is just around the corner and bids have been sent to the printer. Refreshments are now the topic of discussion and student help is still needed. Members urge all juniors and seniors to get into the Prom spirit.

## News Hilites

### Summer Encampments Enlighten Youth

The Encampment for Citizenship has announced plans for four Summer '72 six-week programs for 15 through 18-year-old and 17 through 20-year-old youth who "want to make a difference" in the area of public affairs and social problems. The four Encampments are located in Denver, Colorado; White Plains, New York (near New York City); San Antonio, Texas (all for the 15-18 age group); and Saranac Lake, New York (in the Adirondack Mts.; for ages 17-20). Dates for all projects are July 9-August 19.

New York's Mayor John V. Lindsay and U.S. Congressman Ogden R. Reid co-chair the E.F.C. Sponsors Committee. A non-profit, non-partisan organization which Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt helped establish in 1946, the Encampment has 4,500 alumni.

**THE PROGRAM AT EACH ENCAMPMENT** includes two days a week of volunteer work and other community activities, primarily in low-income areas, as well as a weekly one-day fieldtrip; speakers and films on racial, environmental and poverty issues and world affairs; practical "how-to-do-it" workshops concerned with such topics as environmental protection, tutoring and Head Start work, and youth in politics; and recreational activities. There is opportunity to work on creative writing projects and Encampment publications created by the students themselves. Three hours of college credit may be earned at all EFC sites if desired.

Students and staff members are of all racial, religious and economic backgrounds, from all parts of the U.S., and from abroad. Scholarships are available primarily on the basis of economic need. Applications and literature are available from the Encampment for Citizenship, 2 West 64th Street, New York, N.Y. 10023.

### DePaul Offers Radiology Program

DePaul University is offering a new program leading to a bachelor's degree in radiologic technology. Designed to meet the growing need for trained professionals in this area of the health sciences field, the program is a cooperative effort between DePaul's Department of Physics and the Department of Radiology, Grant Hospital of Chicago.

Supported by a grant from the State of Illinois through the Health Services Education Grants Act, the program calls for study at DePaul and Grant Hospital of Chicago, fulfilling requirements for the bachelor's degree as well as those of radiologic technology.

**THE NEW PROGRAM IS DESIGNED** to accommodate 21 students during its first year. Work stipends will be provided for clinical experience, enabling students to work in the radiology department of Grant Hospital.

More information on the program is available from Kenneth J. Robak, training supervisor, radiologic technology program, Department of Physics, DePaul University, 1215 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago 60614. Telephone 549-6900, Extension 156.

### Apathy Cancels Turnabout Dance

Senior cabinet members on the planning committee for the cancelled "Sadie Hawkins" Turnabout Dance recently expressed their dismay that plans for the dance proved unsuccessful.

**A MAJOR COMPLAINT OF THE CABINET** was that security guards for the dance would cost so much. Besides chaperones, two security guards and a policeman would be needed, and these would cost \$62.12.

The cabinet sold only nine tickets, most of them to cabinet members. They wished to thank the two groups that were to play, Area Code 312 and the Loading Zone, and regretted the considerable student apathy.

### CJYC Plans Hike for Israel

The Chicago Jewish Youth Council will sponsor a "Walk With Israel" hike on Sunday, April 23. All proceeds go to the Israel Emergency Fund. Walk cards are available at the Bernard Horwich JCC, where the walk will begin, and at the Mayer Kaplan JCC in Skokie. Anyone desiring more information may call 346-6700, extension 421.

## Media Center Expands

"A Grand Opening" at the Instructional Media Center in the Niles East library last week displayed the audio-visual "software" and "hardware" now available to students at the library desk. The students watched demonstrations in the library during their free periods on these three days. The teachers had the same opportunity to pursue the material last Monday.

Audio visual materials include microfilm readers, cassette players, loop previewers, tape recorders, and phonographs.

**ALTHOUGH THIS MATERIAL HAS BEEN AVAILABLE** since the first Open House in October, Head Librarian Mrs. Kathleen Palansky explained the material is now directly available to the students for the first time. Previously,

materials were available only with teacher permission from the Visual Aids Department, under the guidance of Mr. Andrew Maggio.

Now the students will be able to choose their materials upon direct request from the librarians at the desk. The materials soon will be catalogued according to the Dewey decimal system in the regular card catalogues. New materials are added to the collection upon the request of the teachers and are paid for from the book budget, Mrs. Palansky said.

A room off the main section of the second-floor library, blocked off last year, is available to students using the audio-visual materials. Headphones keep noise to a minimum and individual carrels for the student permit privacy.



Mr. Fred Kral and Mr. Ronald Hunt enjoy the Niles East library's new resource center during an open house held for faculty last week. The center is open to all students as well.



**From Our Readers**

**Sound Off!**

Dear Editor,

I'm totally disgusted with the way our library is run. Have you ever tried to study there with all the noise? Between the librarian's screaming, "Girls, keep the noise down!" and the constant chattering of the inconsiderate loudmouths next to you it's virtually impossible.

I'VE EVEN CONSIDERED A study booth, but the librarian, who deserves an award for Chump of the Year, kicked me out when she saw I was the only one in the booth, when two could make use of it! She never realized it was the only quiet spot in the entire library.

Yep, Chump of the Year doesn't kick noisy, disturbing students out. They innocently say, "Me, talk? No, I haven't said a word all day," and Miss Chump believes it! Then she returns to her hard labor of taping torn pages of books.

I MUST CONCLUDE that while our library is constantly improving by new innovations for students, they never have met the number one priority of a high school library — a quiet place to study! So, Skokie Public, here I come!  
Sick and Tired of the Noise '72

Dear Editor,

The attendance system at Niles East requires a student to bring a note explaining the reason for absence and have it signed by a parent to get back into class. Whether or not these absences are legitimate, if a student is absent 4 times in a semester, he is sent a referral.

THEY THEN CALL your parents and ask "Where was your daughter on September 15? On October 11? On November 21?" No parent is going to remember every day his daughter or son is absent, so most parents will verify the absences.

What is the purpose of bringing admits if they don't really excuse you? I feel that if the referral system is going to continue, admits shouldn't be required. A teacher will just send a referral every four absences and then have them verified. Or better yet, why not just drop the referral system?

Name Withheld Upon Request

Dear Editor,

Niles East has been indeed fortunate for the appearances of various political candidates here in recent weeks.

Among these visitors, Congressman Abner J. Mikva (candidate for reelection in the 10th

district) and Donald P. Moore (State's Attorney candidate), gave outstanding presentations to which the stimulating question-and-answer period testified.

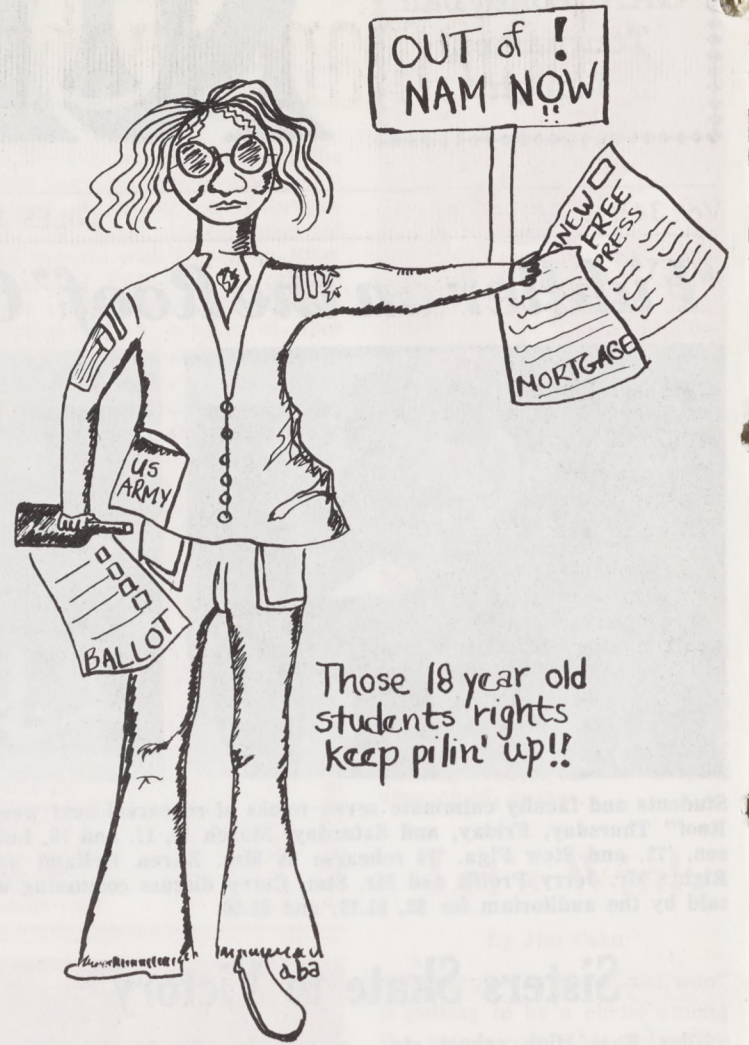
IT IS HOPED THAT more candidates will speak at Niles East and that more students will attend these assemblies. There is no better way to judge the men and the issues than to hear and meet them in person.

Many thanks to those responsible for these appearances and for any to be arranged in the future.

Robert Feder '74

Dear Editor,

GAA, Girls' Athletic Association, has a present membership of approximately 400 students, but regardless of the number of members we remain unknown to the majority of the student body of Niles East. Members of GAA, we need your help! You joined GAA for one reason or many; now have enough commitment to support the group you have joined. Without the support from the GAA members of this school, there will come a time in the near future when GAA will become a non-functional group. Please don't allow this to happen.  
Concerned People



**Courts Support Students**

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is a student rights' summary prepared by the Cook County Legal Assistance Foundation.

With few exceptions, courts have only recently begun to question the conduct of institutions charged with the welfare of children. Historically, such institutions, including schools, were said to stand in loco parentis and as parent surrogates, to be immune from judicial intervention.

One exception includes the U.S. Supreme Court Case, *West Virginia State Board of Education v. Barnette* in which the Court upheld as an expression of First Amendment freedoms, a Student's refusal to pledge allegiance to the flag.

The issues raised in school cases are generally of two kinds, questions of personal rights such as length of hair and questions of procedural fairness, including the fair use of expulsion and suspension.

THE YEAR 1969 REALLY MARKED the beginning of the new intensive campaign for student rights. The thrust came from the Supreme Court decision in *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent School District*. School officials in this case disciplined students for passively demonstrating against the Viet Nam War by wearing black arm bands. The Court upheld the students' rights to freely express themselves, stating that First Amendment rights of students could not be abridged except where facts existed "which might reasonably have led authorities to forecast substantial disruption of or material interference with school activities."

Hair and dress regulations have been successfully attacked on numerous occasions across the country on the basis of numerous theories. The argument has been made that in the absence of some rational basis for the regulation, it violates the Due Process Clause, the First Amendment right of Free Expression, the right of privacy, and the Equal Protection Clause.

In the *Breen v. Kahl* case, Judge Kerner held the following regulation unconstitutional and unenforceable, "Hair should be

washed, combed, and worn so it does not hang below the collar line in the back, over the ears on the side, and must be above the eyebrows. Boys should be clean shaven, long sideburns are out."

THE COURT DID NOT TROUBLE ITSELF very long with the source of the right to wear one's hair in any manner, hinting it might be derived either from the First or Ninth Amendments. The point is, stated the Court, "It clearly exists and is applicable to the states through the due process clause of the Fourteenth Amendment."

The School Board unsuccessfully tried to justify the regulation on the grounds that the appearance of longhaired students distracts other students from their school work; and students whose appearance conforms to community standards perform better in school. The trial court found and the Circuit Court agreed that on the facts, neither argument of the Board justified the invasion of individual freedom.

Other issues which are subject to challenge include official discrimination against married or pregnant students. The case of the hyperkinetic child, corporal punishment, and relationships between police and the schools, such as searching a locker by a police officer possessing a warrant later discovered to be defective.

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**Youth Collect Legal Rights**

The youth of America has consistently shown its eagerness to increase their legal rights and strengthen their political activism which, according to experts, will change the United State's position so influentially that it will never be quite the same.

It is estimated that 25 million young adults between the ages of 18 and 23 will be voting in their first Presidential election this year which accounts for the new, totally unknown factor in the 1972 election, providing this estimation comes through.

ACCORDING TO THE ELECTION OFFICES, 51% of the eligible new voters registered for the March 21 primary, much to their surprise. Only 30% were expected. Based on these figures, approximately 90,000 out of 175,000 who are eligible between 18 and 20 will actually vote. In Suburban Cook County, 47% of those eligible registered.

Even though Chicago is a small part of the

country, if at least half of the eligible youth show their concern, they can influence the election tremendously. How, has not really been determined but because of the numerous issues involved, the people will vote on issues more than candidate image. Most students are considerable liberal democrats or independents as opposed to conservative republicans.

With this added responsibility, the youth feel they are old enough to exercise other legal rights and privileges. Recently, nine states have given 19-year-olds the right to own property, make wills, and execute contracts. Many states have lowered the age of needing parental consent for marriage to 18. As reported in the "Chicago Today" newspaper, a Springfield source has announced June 1 as the probable legal date for 18-year-olds to buy and be served liquor in Illinois.

But then, as the old saying goes, if they can be sent to war, they're old enough to be considered adults in other respects, right?

**Lawyers Solve Student Problems**

The Cook County Legal Assistance Foundation is offering professional legal advice and consultation to any student participating in their new "Action Line" program.

The project will be handled on a question-answer basis through letters. Each interested student should write his complaints, questions, and a description of the situation involved and address it to Mr. George Martin. Put these requests in the Nilehille suggestion box or Mrs. Mary Scherb's mail box. As soon as we receive a few letters or after a certain period of time we will forward the letters to their downtown office.

In turn, the letters will be passed on to one of the foundation attorneys. A strictly confidential lawyer-client relationship will be maintained. The attorney will then investigate and advise the student of his rights and actions he can and cannot take. Certain cases may go to court if the client wishes.

THE BASIS OF THIS PROGRAM is to inform as many students as possible of their legal rights. Therefore, a semi-syndicated column has been established. General questions and problems from each of three regions, (northern, western, and southern areas), which could benefit a larger number of students, will be selected and placed into a newspaper column. One column will serve each region.

Although not every letter is published in the column, each is given careful consideration and is responded to regardless, by letter or phone. Specific questions will be answered personally. To make this possible, each student is asked to include his name, address, and phone number. Your letter and/or name will be withheld from publication upon request.

Send your letters in today and watch for the column to appear monthly in the Nilehille.

**Save Chicago Architecture!**

One big controversy in the city today concerns the definition of a landmark. The problem is deciphering which of Chicago's old buildings are landmarks and which should be demolished.

THE CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY is 75 years old and contains some of the city's most beautiful mosaics and artistic domes. Many architectural associations are fighting to keep the library not only for its public service but to save its art treasures.

Chicago is known all over the world for its variety of architecture. Some of the most exquisite buildings were designed by famous architects for Chicago in the late nineteenth and early twen-

tieth centuries because this city was considered the hub of architectural design. Why, with this honor, do we destroy these buildings which house many of our most important services and signify our cultural heritage?

TO MANY PEOPLE, THE WORST CRIME in Chicago is the destruction of the Stock Exchange Building. It was considered one of the most exquisitely designed buildings of our time, yet it is now being destroyed.

Luckily there are groups like the Chicago School of Architecture Foundation which work to preserve and develop pride in Chicago's architectural heritage as well as its architectural future.



# Coleman: Night Job That's No 'Bum Deal'

By Arona Arbus, Linda Sieber, Janet Coclanis

The floor director's hand quickly raises above the camera. His fingers, with clockwork precision, begin to countdown 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. A voice resounds throughout the studio.

... will return with more news, and John Coleman's forecast, as Eyewitness News continues."

Moments later a well-groomed, pleasant looking man enters the studio, large maps and posters in hand. The room is suddenly filled with the liveliness and easy-going style that John Coleman, Channel Seven's weather forecaster, brings into millions of Chicagoans' homes nightly.

By the time the viewing audience has heard what's in store for them weather-wise, Mr. Coleman is half way through his typical, yet exciting, work day.

## His Day Starts at 2 p.m.

His routine begins at 2 p.m. when upon arriving at ABC-TV on State Street, Mr. Coleman begins to process the weather maps which are used in his forecast. The teletype, which frequently is forty or fifty feet long, also aids in composing the up-to-the-minute weather picture.

After the forecast is completed, John Coleman opens himself to the voice of Chicagoans, and reads his mail which ranges from ten to fifty letters daily. Although fan mail is a great percentage of the letters he receives, many are requests for interviews and public appearances which he seldom accepts.

"Night invitations are always out, because that's when I work," he explains, "but it's no bum deal working nights which you do if you're not on the first (early broadcast news) team."

About 4 p.m. Mr. Coleman begins to prepare for the five o'clock John Drury News. With the help of an experienced artist, maps and colorful explanations of the weather picture are produced. He used to do all the "artwork" himself, but because of the heavy workload, only the 10 o'clock work is completely his.

It's 7 p.m. now and only the Flynn-Daly Eyewitness News at 10 remains. Revisions are made in the earlier forecast and soon the whole team breaks for dinner, only to return in an hour and prepare for the final program of the day.

At 11 p.m. when he returns



John Coleman

home, Mr. Coleman enjoys reading, electronics, and watching TV.

## It Isn't A Game

No, TV news isn't fun and games, although sometimes the Channel 7 team gives that impression with their spontaneous humor. The competition is fierce and millions of dollars are at stake for the television

station. Since the inception of the Eyewitness News Program four years ago, the average rating has constantly been on the upswing, and Joel Daly, Fahey Flynn, Bill Frink, Duane Dow, Charles Rowe, Jim Gibbons and John Coleman must work to keep their ratings high. Although this seems to put pressure on the team, John Coleman feels none.

"I don't feel the pressure: I have to develop a mental block — I just can't constantly think about it whenever I go on. I'm usually always calm and relaxed. Sometimes if there is pressure, though, it's because John Severino, the general manager or someone from the network in New York is in the studio watching me."

## He Began in Fifth Grade

The climb to reach the position of chief cut-up of the Channel Seven team wasn't an easy one, although the desire began in fifth grade, when he wanted to be a broadcaster. It wasn't until his sophomore year in high school when John Coleman first saw a television, that he decided TV was in his blood. His college choice hinged upon the availability of a job in the field of TV while

attending school. While studying at the University of Illinois, John Coleman discovered he did weather the best. He was a weatherman in Champaign, Peoria, Omaha, and Milwaukee before coming to Chicago, when he came to ABC and nagged to get the job he holds today.

"I was hired strictly on how I worked with Fahey, Joel, and Bill. All they cared about was that I had appeal to the viewing public. They didn't even ask me if I could read a weather map!"

## "Stay loose," he advises.

When asked if he could give advice to youngsters wanting to go into the field of weather or meteorology, John Coleman said "Stay loose!" The job of TV forecasting is so relatively new, and it may be phased out in four years. But there are other interesting fields related to weather to go into."

No, John Coleman, Fahey Flynn, Joel Daly and Bill Frink didn't meet in a trench in World War II.

"Actually we met in the unemployment office!" John kids.

No matter how or when they got together, John Coleman was almost an afterthought that did pay off for Channel Seven!

# "American Pie" Keeps Listeners Guessing

Editor's Note: The following is the first of a two part analogy of the hit song "American Pie" as written by Bob Dearborn, disc jockey on WCFL. The second part will appear in the March 24 issue.

Dear Big 10 Listener,

MANY TELEPHONE CALLS have come in to WCFL during the last few weeks concerning Don McLean's hit recording of "American Pie." Some callers have asked about the significance of the lyrics. Some have offered their own interpretation of those lyrics. All have been intrigued by this clever, catchy, little song. I thought it would be a good idea to piece together the story as best as we could and make it available to you, so that having our "translation," your enjoyment and appreciation of the song might, thus, be increased.

It should be noted, that for the purpose of this lyrical analysis, all references will be made to the long, album version of American Pie, rather than the edited rendition found on the single.

IN ORDER TO BETTER UNDERSTAND the song, I think it's important to remember that we all go through a period of life — usually, our teenage youth — that we (will) thereafter recall as being our "good old days." Often, as one grows older, he tries to recapture that wonderful time of life, a time he really understood and was so meaningful to him because of the various new and special experiences associated with it.

Adolescence, with its first real awareness of the outside world, but without the burdens, pressures and responsibilities of the adult, "Working-and-raising-a-family" life that follows, tends to provide most of us with our fondest memories.

EACH GENERATION produces its own fads, its own language, its own art, its own culture, its own society. Gener-

ally speaking, each generation holds high and even reverent regard for its many contributions and achievements. Unfortunately, it's the tendency of some to then close their minds, stop learning, stop growing. They spend their lives completely engulfed in the life-style of their generation, oblivious to all the good that came before and after.

## MUSIC — A REMINDER OF THE PAST

For many, music serves as an excellent reference point and reminder of the past, that "best time of life." If you are now in your forties, you might believe that music has been dreadful since the passing of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey. If you happen to be in your early to mid-twenties, you may think that the Beatles and/or "acid rock," were the greatest things since sliced bread and that almost everything that followed was a let-down. Indeed, ten years from now junior executives and young housewives may well be inclined to think back to how wonderful life was in the early 70's and that music just hasn't been as good since the Osmond Brothers, Jackson Five, and Partridge Family were on the scene.

I WOULD SUPPOSE that Don McLean, author and singer of American Pie, is in his late twenties. His good old days were in the latter 1950's. Profoundly moved by the music of that period — with its seemingly inherent fun and excitement — he aspired to be a singer and musician. In American Pie, he says he'd "like to have the chance to make people dance and be happy for awhile."

Like many young men his age who were turned off by their girlfriends' screaming for Elvis Presley, he embraced an alternative musical idol named Buddy Holly. While there was no question as to Presley's reign as king of rock and roll at the time, Buddy Holly and his music did make important

contributions to that era, and influenced many up-and-coming artists, ranging from Bobby Vee to the Rolling Stones.

HOLLY WAS THE LEAD SINGER of a group known as the Crickets, but also recorded as a solo performer. Some of his biggest hits were "Peggy Sue," "That'll Be The Day," "Early in The Morning," "Oh Boy," "Everyday," and "May-be Baby."

## SONG TITLES AND LYRICS LEAVE CLUES

It's Don McLean's notion that music died on February 3, 1959. For it was on that day that Buddy Holly (along with singers, Ritchie Valens and the Big Bopper) was killed in a plane crash just outside Mason City, Iowa. McLean makes reference to this sad event near the beginning of American Pie. He says he read the tragic news while delivering newspapers — which is a key to his age — on a cold day in February. The "widowed bride," mentioned here is Maria Elena Holly.

EMPLOYING SONG-TITLES and lyrics of popular songs of the day — Book of Love, Lonely Teenager, (White Sport Coat and a) Pink Carnation — McLean conveys the idea that he was typical of his generation. Their idea of a wild "high," was drinking whiskey and rye, and dancing "real slow" at the dance in the high school gymnasium. "Miss American Pie," is McLean's stereotype expression for the young ladies of his youth. They were "girl-next-door," "as-American-as-apple-pie" types who, like music and fun of that era, seem to have disappeared, according to the author.

There's a line in American Pie which indicates that ten years have passed (since the music died). By this, I'm led to believe that although this song has become a hit recording just recently, it may actually have been written two to three years ago. If that is the case then the song is really dis-

cussing the period between 1959 and 1969. Other references in the composition seem to bear that out, as well.

MC LEAN TALKS ABOUT the "King and Queen." Logically, one would assume — and many have — that the King is Elvis Presley. The queen, well, that's another matter. There is one female singer that I recall from the late 50's who, because of her tremendous popularity and success, could have qualified for the title of "Pop Music Queen." And, that's Connie Francis.

American Pie then tells of the "Jester" stealing the King's crown. Most people that I've talked to have concluded that the Jester is Bob Dylan. When

Presley's popularity began to fade in the early 1960's, the only man who emerged with anything close to a parallel influence on music was Bob Dylan. And, Dylan did wear a black, leather jacket on a couple of celebrated occasions: on the album cover of "Highway 61" and on stage at the 1965 Newport Folk Festival. This would explain Don McLean's line about the Jester wearing a "coat he borrowed from James Dean." Dean, a youthful movie actor who lost his life in 1955, was synonymous with the black, leather, motorcycle jacket. The public was the "court-room that adjourned without returning a verdict" on that era's contemporary music leader and direction.

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# Rapping It Up

## Activity Predicted For March

### ARIES

Once an Arian forms a plan, it is the executive abilities that assure success; as the idea of defeat never enters the mind. Your ruler, Mars, has moved to Taurus slowing you up. Your moves will be more deliberate during this period. With Jupiter in an Earth sign, Capricorn, you should succeed in financial matters; since both Taurus and Capricorn are concerned with values and with material gain.

### TAURUS

Whether in love or in hate, it is best not to arouse the steadfast Taurian. To provoke your stubbornness makes you more resolute. Your ruler, Venus, now in Aries shows a new proposal stimulated by the new moon that has far-reaching potential. All depends on making quick judgments and entering into an agreement early, for during the last few days plans may be canceled unexpectedly.

### GEMINI

The acute, inquiring minds of Geminians like to ask questions, not for gossip but for scientific comparison with their opinions. The scene changes for you at the new moon. Not until after the first week would it be wise to resume action or to accept a new plan. Just before the end of the month a mixed atmosphere requires concentration.

### CANCER

Your sensitive, quiet side can be misleading; for you can be angered into a storm of protest — though the anger is not lasting nor do you hold a grudge. After the new moon, when Mercury enters Water Pisces, messages and communications become effective. Jupiter in your opposite sign shows attraction to powerful associates. Do not discuss new plans with others; keep your own counsel.

### LEO

The forthrightness of those born in Leo, as they aim straight to their objectives, may seem arrogant; they do not mean to offend but to attain truth with firmness. There are just a few days after the new moon to get to your goals; after that, your ruler, the sun, enters Pisces, weakening your progress. Our proposition may be postponed. During the last few days of the month, renew your efforts.

### VIRGO

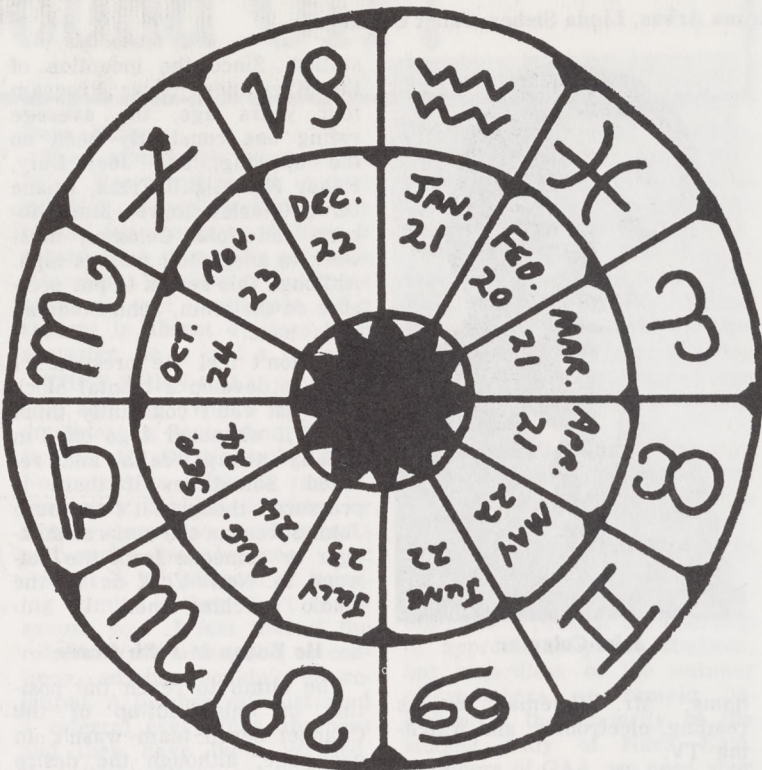
Those born in Virgo learn with facility; they do not have to work at becoming knowledgeable. That is why you are impatient with slowness in others. Since your ruler, Mercury, has entered Pisces, passing the initiative to your partners, action is slow during the first week. Pressure will not be effective until the last week when Jupiter enters Capricorn in trine to your sign; good news.

### LIBRA

Librans are given to change. They follow an idea with zest; but if reverses overtake them they do not fret but give the same energy to a new project. Venus, your ruler, now has entered Aries, the sign of beginnings. You are on a fast track, your judgment is on trial. Aries' speed may be too fast for you. Late in the month an unexpected event may change your course; slow down to meet it.

### SCORPIO

Never expect Scorpions to ac-



cept impositions; their sharp, collected mentality forbids it. Since you are prone to impose, you are quick to recognize this trait in others. Your ruler, Mars, now in slow Taurus may force you to change your pace. In dealing with others, it is best to press the momentum. Jupiter's luck supports your dealings; the promise moves toward fulfillment at full moon.

### SAGITTARIUS

Though this sign is the sportsman of the zodiac, the sports that Sagittarians prefer do not include cruelty; their joy comes from chance and fun. Your ruler, Jupiter now occupies Capricorn; you will take a serious attitude in business to gain security. Saturn now in your house of associates means the utmost is expected of you. Emotional involvements would be disappointing now.

### CAPRICORN

Capricornians rely on tact and diplomacy to get justice from others. Since the new moon, your ruler, Saturn has reentered Gemini; one of your plans may take another direction. If so, take time to adjust; don't force the issue. Messages at the end of the first week are unreliable. The full moon at the end of the month breaks the impasse; Jupiter (expansion) in your signs puts things straight.

### AQUARIUS

The evolved Aquarian places friendship high on the list of virtues — being more loyal in a friendship than in any other relationship. Even after a divorce, friendship is maintained. A few days before the full moon at the end of the month, Venus in Aries opposing your ruler, Uranus, in Libra will test a friendship of importance. If you would avoid this test, steer clear of confrontations.

### PISCES

Pisceans love change. Moving about they have two motives; an escape from responsibility and a quest for an inspiring interest. Now, with your ruler, Neptune in the traveling sign, Sagittarius, is a good time for you. At full moon, at the end of the month a social contact brings the possibility of a business journey that could be remunerative as well as an opportunity for search.

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Because it can only be in the mind of the hungered love.



# Matmen Inspired By Attitude

By Scott Jacobson

Concluding their finest season in nearly ten years, the Niles East matmen anxiously await next year when they foresee themselves as the number one team in the Central Suburban

League. **THE TROJANS FINISHED** with an overall record of 26-17. Highlighting the year were the performances of the undefeated sophomores, who clinched their

Suburban League title in the final meet of the season. Also evident was the display of talent revealed by the varsity, as they won their first Suburban meet in four years.

In post season competition, senior Gary Castino, junior Rick Angell, and sophomore Phil Cech, advanced to the State Districts but were unable to get by the extremely rough competition in the sectionals.

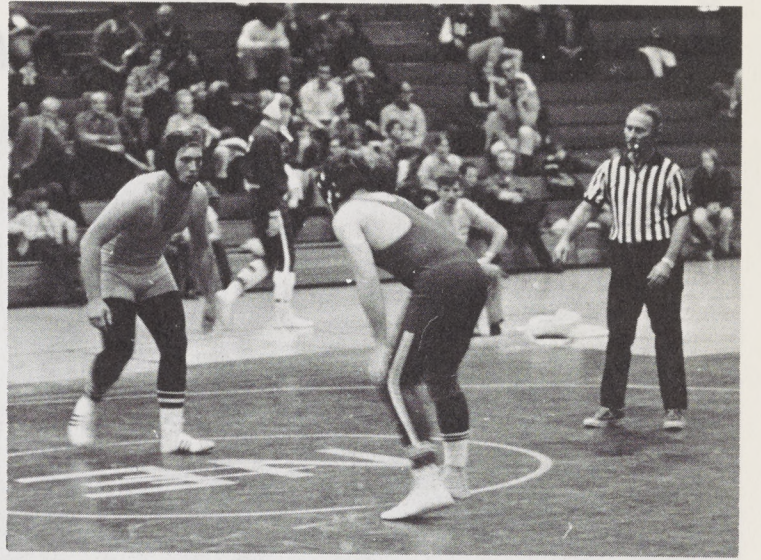
**THE MOST PROFICIENT** wrestler for the Trojans has been Gary Castino. "Gary is my number one man, he's a good fighter," stated wrestling coach, Mr. Fred Richardi.

As far as the next few years are concerned, Mr. Richardi is hopeful the grapplers will be even better. "It's a matter of recruiting. In two or three years Niles East could be the toughest school in the state, but first a strong freshman and sophomore team must be developed," commented Mr. Richardi.

**THE SECRET BEHIND** a winning team is giving the players a winning attitude. Mr. Richardi instills this attitude in his matmen by having them wrestle opponents of their own age bracket; thus permitting each performer to compete equally and fairly.

Laughter, music, and games help the Trojans through practices and provides an opportunity for enjoying the sport.

**WITH THIS WINNING** attitude evident among the wrestlers of Nilehi East, it is assured that the Trojans will have a strong team for years to come.



Grappler Fred Erb, (on left) gets set to square off with his opposition.

## Trojan Wars

By Norwin Merens

Under sunny skies and fair to mild temperatures, Niles East spring sports are tuning up for their respective seasons.

According to the Illinois High School Association, varsity baseball workouts began in mid February. As far as the Trojans are concerned, "spring training" commenced at an earlier date.

The varsity baseballers, under the direction of Coach Nick Odlivak, begin their season on Monday, April 3, as they take on the New Trier West Cowboys in Northfield.

Golf coaches Wayne Lueck and Jerry Oswald expect an improving team this year, while tennis coach Ed Ernst remains highly optimistic.

Track will transfer to the out-of-doors when the weather permits.

Any boys interested in joining these sports should contact the physical education department.

Niles East will be the site of a Power Weightlifting Championship on Saturday morning, March 25. Beginning at 9 a.m., the championship is open to all boys currently enrolled in an Illinois high school. To enter the tournament, a fee of \$2 and an entry blank must be sent to Mr.

Emil Capitani, Niles East High School, Lincoln and Niles Avenue, Skokie, Illinois 60076 and be postmarked by Monday, March 13.

National A.A.U. Power Lifting rules will apply in the tourney, with the three lifts being: bench press, full squat, and dead lift. Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third in the various weight classes. For further details, contact Mr. Emil Capitani, Homeroom 209.

Just a reminder: "Donkey Basketball" is scheduled for Friday evening, March 24. Tickets for this cage comedy are on sale in the Athletic Director's office.

The Ripplettes Water Show — a swimming extravaganza, is scheduled for the weekend of April 28, 29, and 30, at 3 p.m. The show will feature various acts and routines through musical accompaniment.

Let's hear it for those students who were involved in the Niles East winter sports program. A special note of recognition goes to our cheerleaders and pom-pom girls for their dedication and enthusiasm. Let us not forget the many team managers who served in a variety of capacities.

## Sophs Cherish Victory As Climax To Season

**THE SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM**, having finished a long, tough Suburban League season may now look back and reminisce over a year which has produced several satisfying moments. But to every member of the team, a 58-54 victory over the Evanston Wildkits ranks supreme. For coach Emil Capitani, the Evanston win was highly gratifying for as he pointed out, "It's been a long time since we (a sophomore team) had defeated Evanston." Indeed it has, for the last time a Trojan soph squad had toppled the Wildkits came in December, 1966!

Mr. Capitani felt that the sophs final 10-11 record was not as important as the improvement made by several individuals.

**LEADING THE TEAM** in this department was Ross Pollack. Pollack did not go out for basketball his freshman year, and at the beginning of the 1971-72 season was not a starter. It was only later in the year that he proved to be a key to Trojan exploits.

Offensively, the team was led

throughout the season by Len Weinstein and Corey Levens. Together, this center-forward combination accounted for nearly 400 points. Mark Zolt indicated that he too could score as he hit for 21 points in a single game. Mark Zinman revealed fine rebounding skills, which added a new dimension to the sophomore attack.

**MR. CAPITANI BELIEVED** that through the season, guard Jim Cohn evolved into the team leader and gave the Trojans the floor leadership which is necessary for success.

The sophs placed all of these elements into proper perspective as they battled the second place Evanston Wildkits on February 18. From the opening tip off, it was apparent that the contest was going to be a forceful and physical affair.

After the Trojans had shaved the Evanston lead to 34-33 on a Tom Paustek tip in, Niles jumped in front 47-41 in the third quarter as they forced the Kits into repeated turnovers. However, Evanston regained their form and were behind by

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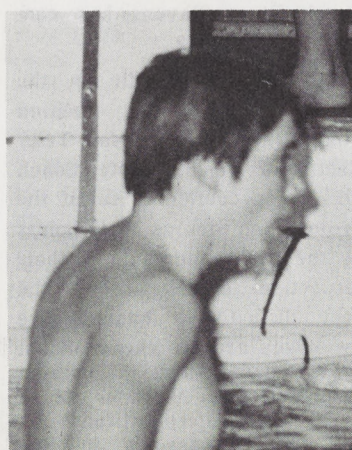
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2, 51-49 with 3:30 remaining in the game. Uniting themselves, the Trojans came on in the final stages to earn a win.

**AS FOR THIS YEAR'S FRESHMEN**, Coach Bernie Greene related, "We could have won several more ball games this year, but the breaks never seemed to come our way." For the season, Greene's frosh could salvage only one victory. Nevertheless, Greene believed that the continual improvement shown by many players was a positive aspect throughout the season.



Senior swimmer John Peterson takes a breather while awaiting the results. Peterson, a four year performer, concluded his career at Niles East having set five school records.

## Burton For Certain

By Mark Burton

**THE IDEA OF NAMING** the Niles East football field in honor of Mr. Harold Issacson (come September) would seem to be a fitting tribute to a man who laid the foundation for a successful athletic program at our school. As my colleague Norwin Merens stated recently, Mr. Issacson is the "founding father of athletics at Niles." The decisions he made in the 1950's were to affect Nilehi life in the 1970's. Can you imagine the varsity baseball team being coached by anyone other than Nick Odlivak? Harold Issacson was responsible for recruiting Coach Odlivak, as well as Mike Basrak.

Let's not stop here, though. The dedication of a football stadium suggests a step in the right direction - the Green Bay Packers weren't doing much until they decided to devote their stadium to Curly Lambeau, the legendary Packer who went on to become a successful businessman - entrepreneur. The rest is history, for Vince Lombardi took over as coach and general manager the same year Lambeau Field became a reality, and Green Bay never was the same.

**BUT FOR THE ENTERPRISING** and the crafty, the possibilities are endless. Once the stadium is named for Ike, the "professionalism" may begin. Niles East would set up a centrally located box office in order to handle requests for season tickets. No mail orders, though, since this would be on a trial basis, and the U.S. mails are in enough trouble as it is!

With the creation of a bona fide box office in the school, the next logical step is the employment of ushers and usherettes (preferably more of the latter) in order to handle the capacity throng on alternate Saturdays'. An organist could play during time outs and halftime, and he'd serve as an inspiration to the fans when times were rough, or the entertainment on the field wasn't up to par. But, organists are a choosy lot, and I'm sure the excitement of the game itself, would carry over regardless of the entertainment provided.

**TO TOP IT OFF**, the Skokie and Old Orchard theatres would be allowed to house close circuit telecasts of the football games, since Issacson Stadium would be sold out.

The possibilities are infinite, once the Board of Education decides to approve the idea of paying tribute to Mr. Issacson. The dawn of a new era is approaching, if we heed the call, and add a new dimension to the sports program at Niles East.

## Uneventful Season Closes For Fencers, Swimmers

**WHILE THE WINTER** sports wind up their final year in the Suburban League, both fencing and swimming find themselves below their season's expectations.

The fencing team foiled to a disappointing 3-12 meet record, while placing ninth in the state finals. The team became more "active and aggressive" toward the end of the season, but time ran out before anything sufficient could develop.

**DESPITE THE UNPLEASANTRIES** of the season, fine performances were turned in by varsity swordsmen Lonny Fleischer, Mike Winter, Phil Spitz, Bill Osness, and Kurt Leopold.

The fencers were not the only team plagued with problems. The swimming squad had their share of misfortune as they concluded their campaign with a 1-13 mark.

**THE BASIC REASONS** behind the unsuccessful season were the "lack of participation, dedication, and the unwillingness to work hard," according to swimming coach Mr. Romaine Baker.

One bright spot for the tankers has been the performance of senior John Peterson. In his four years at Niles he has mastered five school records, the most recent coming in the state districts at Maine East, where he placed fourth in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:56.8 breaking the old mark of 1:57.8. Peterson also finished fifth in the 400-yard freestyle, while taking a sixth in the same event in this year's Suburban League meet at Evanston.

**LOOKING AHEAD** to 1972-73, Coach Baker believes the conference change will have little effect on his team's status.

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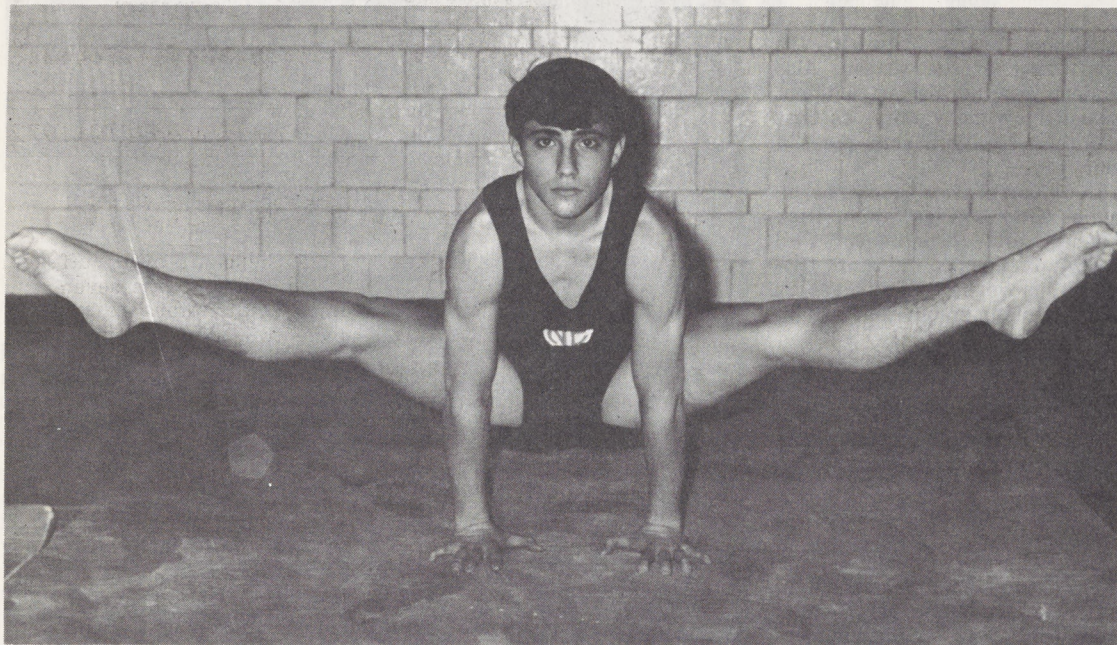
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# Apple, Robbin Await State Gymnastic Final



Trojan gymnast Dave Apple performs Stradle "L" lift. Tomorrow Apple and Rick Robbin will participate in the State finals at Prospect High School.

By Jim Cohn

**DAVE APPLE** is probably the number one free exercise gymnast in the state!

This fact was revealed by the Illinois High School Association in a recent survey of statewide gymnastic scores. So far, Apple has lived up to this fantastic acclaim, as he has captured firsts in both the district and sectional competition. However, Apple's talents do not stop at the tumbling mat. Having worked parallel bars for only one year, he took third place in the sectional competition to qualify himself in a second event!

**APPLE'S CONTINUATION** into the preliminary round today and the final round tomorrow is not a solo venture. Rick Robbin's success in the hardest event of them all, the all-around, along with a large qualification on high bar, gave Niles East its second gymnast to advance into the final days of competition.

On the first day of the sectionals, which were held last Thursday and Friday at Addison Trail High School, the free exercise, side horse, and high bar events occurred.

As the free exercise event began, it was believed that a two man show between Apple

and Randy Sakamoto of Glenbrook South would exist. However, Apple's graceful mixture of flexibility and strength was just too much for his opponent to handle, as Sakamoto could score but an 8.4 to Apple's 8.9. (This marks the third time that these two have met this year.) Apple has come out on top two out of the three times.

**THE SECOND EVENT** of the night was the sidehorse. Representing East was Rick Powers. Powers hit a fine 6.7 routine, but it was not quite high enough for him to advance. On high bar, Rick Robbin scored his finest average of the year, 8.2. This score was more than enough to qualify him on a statewide basis.

Friday's competition opened with the trampoline. Howie Deutsch, a junior, was Niles' only representative and was unable to place. Parallel bars were next, and Apple again was East's number one man as Dave Cypin failed to qualify.

**ON RINGS**, Clay Porter and Mike Bielinski both fell short of the necessary scoring. But as the final all-around totals came in, Robbin had advanced with a fine 6.5 average while Joel Sher could not quite make the grade.

## A SPORTING LOOK

By Norwin Merens

Since its inception at the turn of the century, the Illinois High School Association has supervised and controlled interscholastic activities.

In an exclusive interview with the association's Executive Secretary, Mr. Harry Fitzhugh, the intricacies of high school athletics were discussed.

As executive secretary, or chief administrative officer of the IHSA, Mr. Fitzhugh is responsible for the general busi-

ness of the association. This includes the organization of all state meets and tournaments in athletics, music, and speech, the scheduling of events, the selection of tournament sites and officials, and seeing to it that the tournaments and other activities of the association are conducted in a "sound, educational, and efficient manner."

**IHSA, Mr. Fitzhugh Have Many Responsibilities**

The IHSA is responsible for the annual state championships in cross-country, basketball, swimming, wrestling, gymnastics, baseball, track, tennis, and golf. Next year the association will institute a state championship in soccer, and is presently studying the feasibility of a title game in football.

In addition to the foregoing, Mr. Fitzhugh assists the association's board of directors in enforcing rules — which are made by the schools themselves. The IHSA, hence its executive secretary are responsible for arbitrating and settling disputes between schools and between athletic officials. They must also rule on the eligibility of players, as well as train over 7,000 officials.

**790 Schools Are Association Members**

At the moment, the membership of the IHSA encompasses 790 schools. Membership varies,

some schools may have student enrollments of a few hundred, while other institutions have populations in excess of 5,000. It is this philosophy, which has altered this year's state basketball championship. Under a new classification, 475 schools with enrollments of 750 or below will compete in a "Class A" tourney, while institutions with enrollments of 751 and over will participate in the "Class AA" tournament.

Regarding this subject, Mr. Fitzhugh stated, "A committee arrived at the figure of 750, as the break off point, it in turn was agreed by a majority vote. It is the smaller school which advocated the re-alignment. They felt they would never have an opportunity to win a state title under the single tournament arrangement."

**A Local Matter, Athletic Director & Community**

When asked how a school may improve its existing athletic programs, Mr. Fitzhugh remarked, "It's the responsibility of the athletic director — working with the local community, to develop a sound sports program."

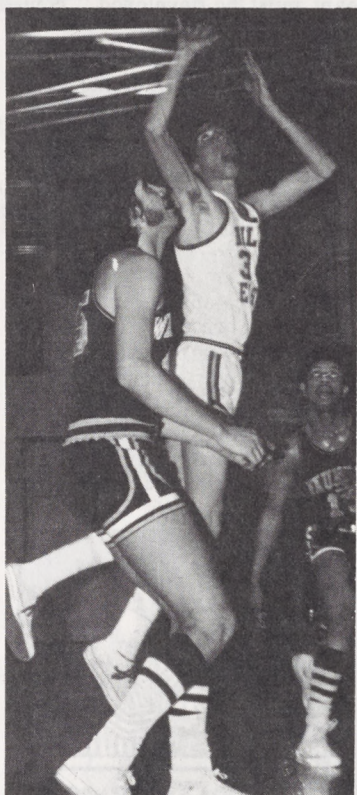
As far as coaching is concerned, Mr. Fitzhugh stated, "I have seen good coaching and poor material and poor coaching with fine material. In order for a school to overcome mediocrity, it must have the combined elements of good coaching, talent, a developing tradition, and a little bit of luck. In addition, there must be greater emphasis placed upon the athletic programs in the elementary grades."

**Separate But Equal**

As far as the IHSA position on girl-boy participation in non-contact sports is concerned, Mr. Fitzhugh stated the terms explicitly. "Both programs must be treated as separate entities and still be considered equals. The girls are entitled to the finest program and facilities possible — as part of their own program. One must consider this fact, only 1 per cent of all girls in this state could actively participate with boys in athletics!"

**High School Sports Today**

Mr. Fitzhugh believes that tremendous strides have been made in high school athletics over the last few decades. The coaching, competition, and individual participants are far better. In general, the athletic programs which exist in Illinois at the present time — are in Mr. Fitzhugh's opinion "the finest in the nation."



Don Diamond stretches above Waukegan's Don Demkiw. Diamond, only a sophomore will play a vital role in 1972-73.

(Photo by Bill Stelter)

## Cagers Finish Final SL Season

By Norwin Merens

**IT BEGAN** last November, and ended with the initial game of the Niles East Regional. Thus, the Niles East Trojans concluded their 1971-72 basketball season. In case you're wondering, the Trojans were defeated by the Evanston Wildkats in regional competition, 75-40. It was a somber farewell, to a year which has produced the good and bad. More than anything else, it was final basketball game in a 22-year relationship with the Suburban League.

The season was full of its "trials and tribulations" for Coach Gary Cook and his cagers. Confronted with difficulties from the outset, the Trojans recorded three vic-

tories this season, the greatest number since 1968-69.

**EXPERIMENTATION ENCOMPASSED** a great part of the year, however with only a limited team in terms of numbers, even this became a hardship. The cagers were aware of what faced them in 1971-72, for those who remained a part of the action through 21 games — it is they who deserve the credit.

Prior to the season's finale at Proviso East, the Trojans had played with as many as seven individuals. Again Proviso, several sophomores were added to the dwindling cage corps. On the whole, it was a successful christening for those who will become performers in the Central Suburban League next year.

**AS FAR AS** the game was concerned, the contest exclusively featured the exploits of Trojan guard Louie Angelopoulos and his Proviso counterpart, Tom Fowlkes. Going into the final game, both were ranked among the leaders in the Suburban League scoring derby. For the night, Angelopoulos was to account for 22 points putting him over the 200 mark in season scoring. Fowlkes responded with 23 points and was thus placed in the same category as Angelopoulos. Leading the Suburban League in scoring for the year, was Bill Rucks of Waukegan who accumulated nearly 260 points.

As for next year, only time will tell what a new league and a junior oriented team can do.

### Final Suburban League Standings

	W	L	AP	OA
Waukegan	13	1	69	49
Proviso East	13	1	75	57
Evanston	8	6	64	62
Morton East	8	6	61	61
Highland Park	6	8	63	73
New Trier East	4	10	57	61
Oak Park	3	11	59	68
NILES EAST	1	13	48	80

### Results from Niles East Regional

February 29  
Evanston 75, Niles East 40  
March 1  
New Trier E. 47, Niles N. 43  
March 3—Championship Game  
Evanston 61, New Trier E. 37



Coach Dean Slavens

## Tepp Tops All Tracksters

**BOB TEPP** showed the Suburban League and its hurdlers a thing or two in last Saturday's Suburban League track meet at Oak Park. In taking the 60 yard high and low hurdles, with record marks of 7.6 and 7.2, Tepp not only had matters in his own hands — but once again revealed his status, as one of the top hurdlers in the state. He's just a part of a fine Niles East track team which Coach Dean Slavens has constructed for 1972.

Though placing fifth in the meet with 18 points, (behind Oak Park, Evanston, New Trier East, and Morton East), Coach Slavens is confident that if the Trojans can pick up their points at the right moment in their respective events, they'll be very difficult to handle. The tracksters are far ahead of last year's pace, with a present record of 6-3-1. Slavens cites a "very competitive attitude" as one of the reasons for the team's showing.

**OTHER STANDOUT** performances in the meet, were turned in by Dave Gronski in both high and low hurdles, Bob Henry, who established a fourth in high

jump with a leap of 5'10" and a fifth in long jump.

Tom Christopoulos ran a 5.7 in the 50 yard dash, while Bob Frank ran a very fine 53.3 in the 440 and Mike Sternfeld broke the old record by a full second at 56.2. To finalize superb varsity showings, Bruce Mandel destroyed his own record in the 880, with a reading of 2:10.

**SOPHOMORES AND FRESHMEN** have been doing a fine job throughout the season, with many records being broken in various events.

Tomorrow, the freshmen and sophomores will compete in the North Shore Invitational beginning at 12 noon.