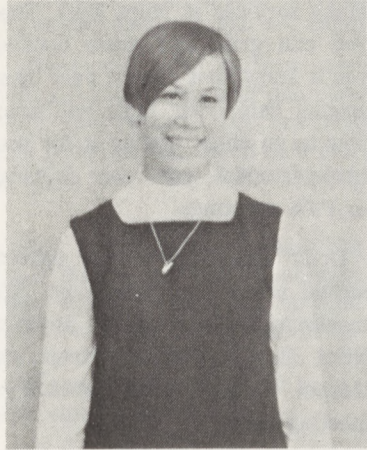


Queen Katie Harmening to Reign Tomorrow at 'Into a Wonderland'

CORONATION of the Homecoming Queen Katie Harmening and her Court, Seniors Tobey Baren and Terry Lampert, and Juniors Mary Hook and Karen Swartwout will highlight this weekend's festivities.



Katie Harmening

The activities already began this afternoon with an all-school pep assembly featuring the announcement of Queen and Court and a skit by the Game Presentation Committee and Gold and Blue.

The traditional float parade, according to Homecoming Chairman Rochelle Apple, will start at 9:15 a.m. at the Old Orchard Theater parking lot and will proceed south along Skokie Boulevard to Main, east to Crawford, south to Oakton, and west to Niles Avenue.

Losing floats will continue south "Into a Wonderland," the Home-

coming dance, to be held 8:30-11:30, Saturday night in the Girls gym. The Chicagoans will entertain during the evening and the coronation ceremony will be held at 10:00.

along Niles to Mulford and east to the north section of the Mulford parking lot for dismantling. Winning floats will drive south to Lincoln, southeast to Howard, east to Skokie Boulevard and then north to the field gate at school.

CLIMAXING the weekend will be



HOMECOMING Court members Tobey Baren '68, Karen Swartwout '69, Mary Hook '69, and Terry Lampert '68 anxiously anticipate the exciting weekend ahead.

ing, drinking, and loitering will be strictly forbidden tonight while floats are being completed. "We hope that everyone will cooperate with these few regulations," she added, "to make this Homecoming thebest that East has ever had."

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PROUDLY REPRESENTING Niles East in the National Merit Competition are this year's semi-finalists. (Not pictured is Senior Carol Horvitz.)

National Merit Semi-finalists Chosen; Letters of Commendation Awarded

ELEVEN NILEHI EAST seniors were selected National Merit Semi-finalists and 27 students were awarded Letters of Commendations, according to Mrs. Lorraine Rubin, scholarship chairman.

The semifinalists are Seniors Marc Ellenby, Carol Horvitz, Scott Glickson, Michael Kaye, Dave Kosh, Shelley Cramer, Brian Krasner, Judith Meyers, Ellen Pantich, Mike Rich and Jeff Sonheim.

Letter of Commendation winners include Seniors Jo Berick, Mark Bishop, Martin Block, Hal Brody, Larry Broun, George Buchler, Bob Cooper, Vicky Fantus, Cary Fleischer, Alan Goldman, Roy Grossman, Larry Halperin, and Richard Harris.

Other winners are Seniors Robert Marks, Donald Mendelson, Richard Nagel, Tony Novak, Caryn Nudelman, Michael Pardys, Robert Roth, Arnold Rotkin, Larry Rudd, David Silverman, Sam Stal, Sam Warshawer, Susan Wayrdorf, and Larry Weinstein.

All Juniors Eligible

Students were chosen on the basis of their scores on the National Merit test, administered last February, Mrs. Rubin explained. All juniors are eligible for this test.

To become a Merit finalist, the

erred for a National Merit Scholarship; however, only 625 such scholarships are awarded each year. Several students also receive privately sponsored National Merit scholarships.

New Scholarship Offered

This year, a new \$1,000 un-renewable scholarship will be available through National Merit. In the past, all their scholarships were renewable for four years.

"Although very few students actually win awards," Mrs. Rubin concluded, "being selected as a finalist often helps in receiving financial aid from various colleges."

semifinalists must be endorsed by their school and repeat their fine performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test.

More than 14,000 seniors in the nation were named semi-finalists this year. Of these students, an estimated 98 per cent will become finalists. All finalists are consid-

Debaters Resolve to Participate In State Tournament This Year

RESOLVED: That the Niles East Debate Team Should Participate in the State Debate Tournament this year.

This proposition is the major goal of this year's debate team and

President Joel Feldman, '70, along with varsity debaters Ken Fleischer, '69, Brian Krasner, '68, and Norm Silber, '69, is taking the affirmative side of the proposition.

This year's topic concerns government regulations on criminal investigation procedures, and the entire team is pooling their material for the first debate on November 4. The addition this year of a special workshop for the team during ninth period has helped the team tremendously, according to Joel. It allows debaters to exchange ideas among themselves and, most importantly, to be advised by the sponsors, Mr. John Palm and Mr. John Moshak.

Kent, technical director; Mrs. Mary Marshall, choreographer; and Mr. Leo Provost, musical director.

Tickets will be 75 cents for students and \$1.25 for adults.

Dorothy Seeks Teen Crown; Faces Interviews, Competition

"I READ ABOUT the contest in a magazine, so I filled out an entry blank and sent in my picture," exclaimed Junior Dorothy Fischer, who is a semifinalist in the "Miss Teenage Chicago Contest."

The contest, sponsored by the Jewel Company, is open to everyone between the ages of 13-18 living in the Chicagoland area.

Dorothy explained how she became a semifinalist. "After applying, I received a telegram saying I had been one of 150 girls chosen as a quarter-finalist."

CONTINUING, Dorothy said that on October 12 she went to the Chicago Sheraton Hotel to take a scholastic test and undergo a personal interview. Later she learned that she had been chosen as one of the contest's 25 semifinalists.

On October 18, Dorothy will again report to the Chicago Sheraton. At this time a talent contest will be held. Since she has played the piano for seven years, she intends to use this ability as her talent entry.

OF THE 25 semifinalists, ten finalists will be chosen on the basis of talent. These girls will then go back for an extensive interview, with one girl being chosen as Miss Teenage Chicago.

The contest winner will fly to Dallas, Texas, to compete for the title of Miss Teenage America.

'Thanks for the Memories' Features Old Time Movies

NILES East will present "Thanks for the Memories," this year's "Reflections" talent show, on November 17 and 18 at 8:00 p.m. in the Niles East auditorium, according to Mr. Jerry Profitt, director.

The show, which offers a tribute to the silver screen, will incorporate the well known silent film era, gangster movies, war spectaculars, westerns, beach parties, and great moments from other extravaganzas.

According to Mr. Profitt the show will also feature a homemade movie of students at Niles East which will serve as a transitional device between acts.

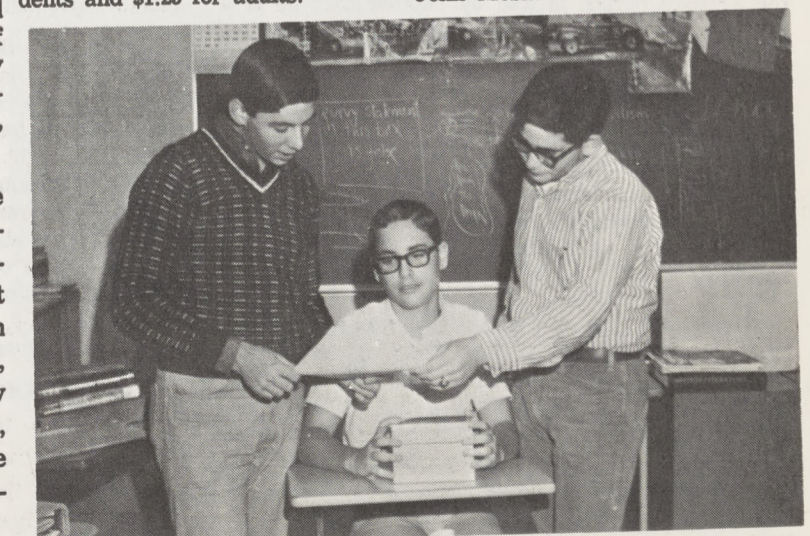
Over one hundred of East students will perform in "Reflections." Included are Senior Bonnie Kaplan playing Shirley Temple singing "On the Good Ship Lollypop" and twenty seniors performing a musical

rendition of "East Side Story," a satire of life at Niles.

The Beach Party sequence will include two vocal combos, "The Mixed Nuts" and "The Good Things." In addition, a medley of folk songs will be sung by Sandy Ables, Jacky Button, Caryn Nudelman, Arlene Rosen, Jan Arnpolis, and Jane Lerner.

A Salute to the War era will be headed by the musical number "Jubilation T. Cornpone," a comic narrative saluting one of the worst Confederate Generals. Appearing in the sequence will be Bob Cooper, Renee Tefka, Marc Ellenby, Tony Novak, Gail Estrin, Ernie Miller, Renee Vlad, Ken Paradise, Merle Weiss, Debby Roth, Dave Silverman, and Gail Henich.

In addition to Mr. Profitt, other faculty advisors include Mr. Alan



DEBATERS Ken Fleischer '69, Captain Joel Feldman '70, and Norm Silber '69 prepare their argument for the upcoming debate.



Forum

Glass Reveals Secrets

THROUGH EAST'S looking glass, the exciting Homecoming weekend ahead is magnified and revealed.

The Homecoming Queen has just been announced at our assembly. We can see her pride and happiness, and this weekend we will share her joy.

Through East's looking glass, the long and tiresome hours of staying up all night are perceived. Tonight and in the early hours of the morning, floats will be constructed at a frenzied pace in order to finish in time for the judging and the parade in the morning.

The parade through our looking glass will draw thousands of spectators from all over Skokie that will line the streets from block to block.

THE LOOKING GLASS reveals a Homecoming victory for the first time in several years, for tomorrow we will beat New Trier.

In East's looking glass, many students will go into a wonderland tomorrow night. The Homecoming dance, "Into a Wonderland," will feature the coronation of the Homecoming Queen, and the crowning of a weekend to be remembered.

Your Write To Say It

The Flock Without a Shepherd

by Ken Paradise, English 71

"ANY OF NUMEROUS ruminant mammals of the genus Ovis, of the family Bovidae, closely related to the goat. Bred in a number of domesticated varieties."

For those who do not own the "Random House Dictionary of the English Language," the preceding quote is the first definition of the word "sheep." If the average person is told by another that he is a "ruminant mammal of the genus Ovis," I don't believe that he would be extremely upset. If, however, this same person is approached by a stranger and told in no uncertain terms that he is "a meek, unimaginative, or easily led person," he would be classified as having had a normal reaction if he belted this "slanderer" in the mouth. No one appreciates being called a sheep, but almost everyone has fallen into this classification at one time or another.

On the evening of October 12 I was approached by the Editor-in-Chief of this paper and asked if I would write a column for this issue. We happened to be at the Waukegan football game, and as I began to think of an appropriate subject to write on, the choice was forced upon me. With about three minutes remaining in the game, a rather loud spectator announced to his friend, "We'd better get back to the bus or we won't find a seat."

THIS COMMENT produced a strange, yet rath-

er common effect. A faint buzz began to travel swiftly through the stands. This original speaker was obviously a genius. If we didn't get back to the bus right away, there wouldn't be any seats. Slowly and steadily the stands began to empty. "Isn't there an individual in the crowd who will stay until the gun sounds?" I thought. It soon became clear to me that nobody would, and so being only human, or should I say being only sheep, I followed suit.

This follow the leader attitude has gotten so out of hand that it is even difficult to focus on a leader any more. The real leader, the trend setter, is only noticed for perhaps a few weeks until the rest of the flock has caught up with him. A new style of clothing is worn by one or two members of an "in" group at school. Immediately the remaining members of the group are also wearing them. Within a relatively short space of time, almost the entire herd, in this case the student body, is wearing them. When this day arrives, one can no longer spot the leader of the flock. Everyone looks the same.

MANY INDIGNANT readers may now be saying, "who's he to be telling us that we're sheep." I don't write this piece with the intention that I am excluded from the flock. I am as much at fault as anyone. This, however, does not alter the fact that we should say before doing something, "do I want to do it, or do I as one of the flock want to do it?"

Letters to the Editor

Assert Yourself: Student, PTA

DEAR EDITOR:

This letter is not actually to the editor as the title of the column suggests, but I'm writing to the NILEHILITE in the hope that it will be seen by the student body through the paper.

Each year, in the first issue of the NILEHILITE, the editor makes a general plea to the students, saying that if anyone wishes to express his opinion throughout the school year, he should consider writing a letter to the editor. During the course of the article, the editor states that each letter must be signed, but that the name will be withheld upon request. Here is the point I'd like to bring out to my fellow schoolmates: If you haven't got the nerve to stick up for yourself, then don't write anything!

THE FIRST two issues of this year's NILEHILITE had statements of opinion in them by conscientious students who preferred to remain anonymous. Both letters were well written, and each stated what the person thought. But in my mind, since the people did not sign their names, they wouldn't have had the spunk to stick to their guns if asked directly.

Are we living in a totalitarian state in which people are afraid to speak out directly for fear of punishment? I hope not. No punishment can be as bad as hiding one's true opinions behind an anonymous facade.

Chuck Dribin, '68

DEAR STUDENTS,

Our PTA program chairman, Mrs. Robert Heinseimer, has been hard at work developing the PTA programs for this year. We want

you to know that she has you in mind as she organizes each meeting.

For instance, the first PTA meeting of the year on October 17 was entitled, "Offerings for Youth at Niles East." Staff specialists came to the meeting to discuss with your parents the many, many services which are available to students outside of the regular academic curriculum. We discussed learning and social problems of all kinds, such as remedial reading, homebound programs, guidance counseling, etc.

WHY DON'T you bug your folks a bit—tell them you want them to go to the PTA meetings! Then you can do your homework in silence

and besides that, they'll come home a lot smarter, and tell you they didn't know there were so many services at Niles East. Then you can grin with pride because you'll know that if you ever need special help, your folks will know how to go about getting it for you. Lucky student, you—your folks go to PTA meetings!

Don't forget now—your parents should attend the Niles East PTA meetings in the Assembly Room of Niles East — Mulford street entrance. We're looking forward to meeting them.

Sincerely,
Evelyn Rosensweig
PTA President



UNSUSPECTING student is doomed under the curse of the thirteenth

Non-Believing Student Falls Victim of Thirteenth

By I. M. Unlucky

I'VE NEVER believed in superstitions. They always seemed to me to be relics of a medieval age. For example, I've never held a button while passing a cemetery. I don't lift my feet while driving over a railroad track or hold onto the car roof when driving over a bridge.

But I do believe that breaking a mirror is seven years of bad luck. I didn't always think so. Not until I broke one. It was about six feet long and three feet wide and was a prominent part of a bathroom wall. At the age of ten, I accidentally broke it with a baseball bat. The resulting furor caused the forfeit of my allowance for the next seven years, and if that isn't bad luck, I don't know what is.

Of course, the number 13 had no mystical powers for me either until my 12th birthday during the ritual birthday spankings. I received 12. The 13th, intended for good luck, knocked me off balance, and I fell, breaking my wrist.

Friday, the 13th made me a believer. That was the day I took the PSAT. The score I received on it was no doubt unfortunate but that is not why I am convinced of the evil in that day.

AS I WENT out to get the newspaper that morning, a black cat crossed my path. This wouldn't have proved so disastrous if I hadn't stepped on the cat's tail, causing his to claw my leg.

The gash was so bad that I rushed to the hospital. In my haste, I failed to observe a stop sign and, most unfortunately, will be in court on December 15. After arriving at the hospital, I received a shot in a most unfortunate place,

making it hard to sit through the two hour PSAT exam.

Not all superstitions are valid, though. For example, once when I spilled some salt in the cafeteria, to avoid bad luck, I tossed the salt over my left shoulder. It hit one of the policemen, I mean, off duty policemen, in the face. I am now being held in lieu of bail at the courthouse. For all those parties interested in helping, donations will be accepted in Room 124 any time of the day.

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No Conversation Drop-Outs In Float-Building Talkathon

CERTAIN CONVERSATIONS know no seasons.

People always discuss operations, what they eat, how much they sleep, what they were doing when they heard about so and so, comparison of grade point averages, and so on.

However, if you go to a party during October or November, you usually find a group with one person speaking and several listening intently, (not because they are interested, but because they are waiting for a pause during which they can begin talking). And the topic of conversation is: "What I Did the Night Before Homecoming."

Homecoming Talk

"Well, I was freezing at that bus stop, I didn't have time to change, I was going to the float straight from work—hmmm? At the cleaners — a dollar thirty an hour. Anyway I got there starving — I hadn't eaten since lunch."

"OH BIG DEAL, I was working on a float and I didn't eat for three

days and the float was at my house."

"Oh I had to do everything when the float was at my house — everyone else drank coffee and watched TV with my grandmother — they drank coffee so they'd stay awake because they were so tired from

watching the Late Show — no that was on Tuesday — I saw it in the movies — no, we're not getting any younger . . ."

"Anyway, I was cold and hungry, and they said, someone has to go to the store quick before the other groups buy up all the orange and blue crepe paper, and would I please go because — and — broke up and he won't drive her, now is that fair? . . . No, they're back together . . ."

"SO LISTEN, — and I went float-hopping on our bicycles until 2:30, but then we had to go home so we'd look presentable to ride in the parade the next day."

Thrills and . . .

"Oh, see, it's people like you who make people like me get stuck blowing bubbles and throwing a football from inside the float so it would look like it was popping up — yes, we won class B, but honestly, I wanted to ride in the convertible and wave, too . . ."

"Oh well, at least you went to the dance — the day before I got a letter from — saying he wouldn't be able to come in for the dance, so I sat home and watched TV with my grandmother. . . ."

And so the recollections continue, because people always like to relive what was really a wonderful experience.



PLOTTING ALICE'S radio jaunt through Wonderland are Seniors Dave Levin, Scott Glickson, and Rochelle Apple, and Junior Dorothy Fischer.

Dial 105.1

East Highlighted In Radio Series

ALICE NILEHI (Harvey's sister) and the residents of East's Homecoming Wonderland were the stars in a special Homecoming radio broadcast heard on WEAW-FM, 105.1, October 12.

Listeners Discover 'World'

Taking in the sights of the land "Through East's Looking Glass," Alice and listeners discovered the magical world of Homecoming '67. The skit, which was put on by students and faculty, was the first of this year's 11 program series about Niles East.

"The purpose of the programs is to present a picture of the various aspects of student life at East," explained Mr. Arthur Colver, director of student activities. "They are designed to present such things

as our different student organizations, the work of the departments, and any unusual happenings."

MR. COLVER was one of those who participated in the initial Homecoming show. Others in the cast were Varsity Football Coach James Harkema, Seniors Rochelle Apple, Mark Bishop, Scott Glickson and Sam Warshawer, and Juniors Dorothy Fischer, Barb Heinseimer and Nancy Holland.

Open to All

All departments or activities may participate in any of the remaining ten shows, according to Mr. Colver. The programs are aired on the Evanston-based station every third Monday, from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m.

Once a group indicates that it is interested in making a tape for broadcast, preparation begins. The organization, Mr. Colver, and Mr. Andy Maggio, Audio-Visual Department chairman, plan a script and rehearse. When everything is ready, the show is recorded and sent to the station. Mr. Colver commented that "it takes about 12 hours of preparation for a good show."

Several other programs have already been planned for future dates. Among the organizations now preparing their productions are the Guidance, Business Education, and Drama Departments.

A schedule of broadcasts has been distributed to administrators, department heads, and activity sponsors, explained Mr. Colver, and all groups interested in presenting a program should contact him.



TWO IN the Morning! Finishing a float on Homecoming Eve is probably the wildest "assignment" of the year.

East's World of '62 Sounds Familiar to '67

1962—THE DAYS when the 'new section' was really new, when girls wore gym shoes and bobby sox, and boys wore 'continentals', when the student lounge was the assembly room, when Niles North didn't exist, and when Touchdown 25 was the Homecoming theme commemorating Niles 25th anniversary.

These are the remembrances of the 1962 alumni, as they look back on their graduating year. Yet how different are 1962 and 1967? Let's

follow Harvey '62 Nilehi through a typical day and find out.

Eternal Routine

At about 7:15 every morning, Harvey finished smearing the 'greasy kid's stuff' on his hair, slipped his black loafers (remember, no penny loafers then) on and ran to catch his bus. When the bus deposited him in front of the school he could 1) walk over to Roundy's 2) go to the washroom to smear more 'greasy kid's stuff' on his hair, or 3) lounge around under the

now non-existent trees in front of the main entrance.

AFTER HARVEY made his first major decision of the day, he strolled into the building only to be confronted by a horrifying scandal — a girl had the audacity to come to school with a skirt one inch above her knee. While Harvey clucked his tongue in disapproval, teachers looked on with sighs of dismay (what is this world coming to?) while office workers were already on the job, phoning the girl's parents. Little did anyone realize the looks of approval that a conservative dresser like that one would receive only five years later in the same hall.

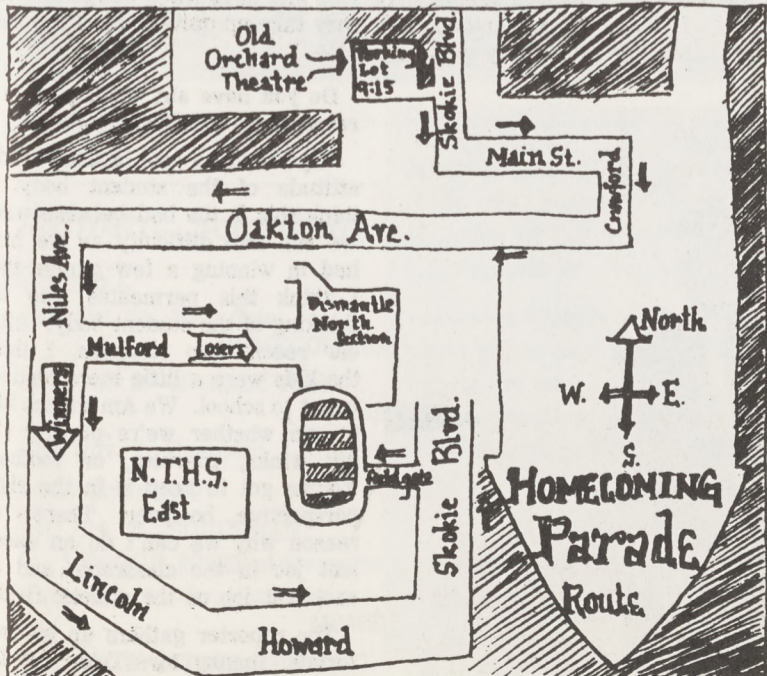
And Always the Bells

The rest of Harvey's school day was governed by the same bells that regulate ours (the difference being that while Harvey only had to jump seven times a day, we now have to condition ourselves to a nine-time jumping day). And as Harvey went down to lunch, we see that the cafeteria was the same bustling madhouse it is now. When the final bell rings, Harvey went home, did his homework and went to bed, and at about 7:15 every morning, he slipped into his black loafers to catch his school bus.

Yes, 1962 — when a girl with straight hair was pitied, when kids danced to the strains of Chubby Checker's twist music at the student unions, when East and West first became two distinct schools, and when the Varsity football team didn't win a game.

1962—how different was it?

Homecoming Parade Route



"Thru East's Looking Glass"

HOMECOMING

Sat., Oct. 21, 1967

Schedule of Events

Friday, Oct. 20:

Homecoming Assembly 2:15

Saturday, Oct. 21:

Parade 9:15

Frosh Games 9:30

Alumni Tea 11:30

Soph Game 12:00

Pre-Game Presentation 1:30

Varsity Game 2:00 (Trojans vs. New Trier)

Homecoming Dance 8:30



RIDING ON a float through downtown Skokie is a thrill for these students

East Goes International; Foreign Students Enroll

FOREIGN EXCHANGE student Marcella Feldman as well as Cynthia and Genaro Guizar, Madia Romano, Sui Lwan, Yock Thing, and Li Chong Wong, Jaime Zapata and Catherine Rohemzade are adding a foreign flavor to Niles this year.

Cynthia Gizar and her brother Genaro, an East sophomore, moved with their family from British Honduras about a month ago. Comparing St. Catherine's Academy, the school Cynthia attended, to East, Cynthia described East as having "more advantages."

Tells of School

She explained, "in British Honduras, boys went to one school and girls to another. There were only 500 students at St. Catherine's. We stayed in one room while dif-

ferent teachers came to us. Each taught a particular subject."

ANOTHER FOREIGN student this year is Madia Romano from Bari, Italy. She and her mother and brother have been in the United States only three weeks. They are staying with her uncle.

Madia's family moved to escape poor living conditions in Italy. Jobs were scarce, and Madia disapproves of the educational system. The School of Art, which Madia attended, was one of the liberal arts schools, each of which were separate from the vocational schools. She studied Italian, geography, history, art history, sculpture, and painting, but business education was not available. To show the division between working and learning, Madia gestured to her left, saying, "Work here," and to her right, "School here."

Her greatest impression of America is that the people are "so friendly." And she added, "Too much study in Italy."

Just two weeks ago Sui Lwan

and Li Chong Wong and their sister Freshman Yock Thing moved from Aye, Burma, with their parents and a younger sister.

Tells of Land

"We are much like the people of India," Sui Lwan commented, "in eating habits and dress. Our buildings are different too," she added, displaying a role of pictures of historical Burmese sights. "But our cars are driven on the right, like the British."

RETURNING TO the subject of food, Sui Lwan described common meals. "For breakfast we usually have peanuts," she said, "And for lunch and dinner, rice and meal with flour. We eat with our hands, which I don't like," she laughed.

Sui Lwan and Li Chong both felt a little confused by East's system of changing classes. "In Burma," Li Chong explained, "we stay in one room and the teachers come to us." Both agreed that Americans are "friendly and helpful."

CATHERINE RAHMEZADE, who was born in Iraq and has lived in Tel Aviv, Israel three years, enjoys the United States but feels that academic standards are higher in Israel than here. Catherine fought in the Arab-Israeli war last summer and explains that "although many friends and relatives died during the war, we were very happy that we won."

Jaime Zapata also liked the United States and says that happily he has few troubles with English.



SENIOR WONG SUI LWAN, Freshman Wong Yock Thing, and Senior Wong Lie Chong, from Burma, look over bulletin board on foreign relations in Miss Rochette's room.

'Along Comes Mary'

'Turning On': Pro and Con

Pot, grass, tea, mary-jane, stuff . . . you name it, and it's probably a nickname for the magic weed, marijuana. This plant grows wild all over the globe, including Asia, Africa, South America, and North America.

Termed by the U.N. Narcotics Commission "the most widely abused natural hallucinogen," and on the other hand by poet Allan Ginsberg, "a metaphysical herb less habituating than tobacco, whose smoke is no more disruptive than Insight," marijuana is the subject of much medical, legal, and sociological controversy of late.

Almost all medical reports on the effects of smoking pot agree that "it does not lead to addiction in the physical sense of the word" (Mayor's Committee on Marijuana, New York City, Dudley Schoenfeld, M.D.) and that it is far different in nature from taking opiates, like heroin.

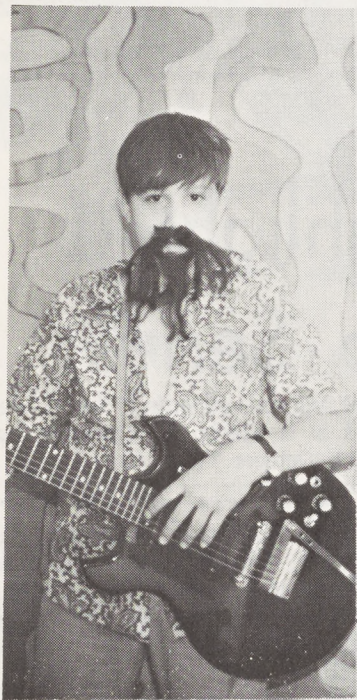
The controversy arises, however, over whether use of marijuana can "induce various psychoses, undermine already unstable personalities, cause acute intoxication, and lead to use of other more harmful drugs." Dr. Donald Louria, chairman of the New York State Council on Drug Addiction, main-

tains that it can and does. Dr. Nicholas Malleson, member of Britain's Advisory Committee on Drug Dependence, maintains that it does not. ("Time," Sept. 29, 1967)

In any case, the penalties for marijuana abuse in the United States, according to Dr. James Goddard, head of the Food and Drug Administration, are "too severe." ("Science News," Oct. 8, 1966) Even Dr. Louria agrees that although "we cannot afford to legalize marijuana, we must not overreact to its illicit use." ("Science News," Oct. 8, 1967)

In fact "the maximum penalty is 40 years, and there is no probation allowed for second offenders. In many states the laws governing heroin and opium apply equally to marijuana. In Georgia sale of marijuana to minors can bring the death penalty." ("Time," Sept. 29, 1967)

Meanwhile, the questions of law and morality still face the marijuana user.



PHONY FOLK SINGER strums to the ring of the cash register.

Do Not Pass Go

Swing, Baby, Swing

by Bob Cooper

ARE YOU BROKE at the end of the week? Is that Saturday job getting you down? Stop! Move no further. There's a way to beat any financial crisis. Become a protesting folk singer for fun and profit.

The first step is to find something that really bugs you. Something that has a profound affect on mankind. A topic of current interest to world leaders is perfect. How about the possible extinction of the seven year locust?

Sing a Cause

Now you've got your cause to sing to the bourgeoisie, so swing, baby, swing. Regardless of your sex, grow a beard. Not a shaggy mane but a dignified "folk-singy" goatee. This is your trademark. Wear it with confidence; it marks you as a clean cut folk singer; Ed Sullivan will love you.

NEXT STEP, doctor up your guitar. (You play a guitar of course) The trick is to get your strings wrapped casually around the tuning keys. It doesn't affect your playing, but it gives you that rustic look. Even if you come from the big city, everyone will think you hail from the foothills of Tennessee.

Develop Accent

Next step, develop a cool Southern accent. The Beatles sing with a Southern accent and they don't even live in the Southern part of England. Slur your words and tell everyone that success means nothing, you still miss warm passum soup on a cold winter night.

Next tell the newspapers that you only sing what you believe in. Don't sing about your love for money or that will give everything away.

BY THE WAY, your personal appearance means a great deal in being a top flight folk singer. Don't look too dapper. When you're on the Tonight show wear white socks with your tuxedo.

You can always spot the true fan of a folk singer. This girl doesn't just like the singer, but is madly in love with him. When she hears his records, she shakes. Tears roll down her fat cheeks when she sees him in concert. The folk singer is her idol. He is her dream, ideal, and knight rolled up into a big ball of beard and guitar strings.

See how easy it is. Success in folk singing doesn't take much brains, faith, or skill, just commercialism mixed with exploitation. Remember, you too can be a folk singer for fun and profit.

Mr. Tyler Reflects Views On Progress, Spirit, Learning

YOU PICK UP a phone while building up your courage. Although your voice cracks a little, you ask if you could have a tape-recorded interview with Mr. Tyler.

"Yes!" (After recovering from shock, you're on your way, tape recorder in hand, to Mr. Tyler's office.)

The conversation goes something like this:

Mr. Tyler, what was your background before you came to Niles East? "For the eleven years pre-

ceding my four years at East I was a high school principal in Grinnell, Iowa. I started out as a teacher, and did a little coaching, then went into administration."

Have you noticed any change in educational methods during your years as a teacher and principal?

There used to be too much memorization of facts. Now, we're trying to let students look deeper than that. I visited the humanities class the other day when they were dis-

cussing the concept of a hero, and I never thought of this concept in the way they were discussing it.

Mr. Tyler, what do you do in your spare time?

"On weekends I would say I'm quite a sports enthusiast; I like to watch baseball and football, but that's about the only time I watch television. Of course, I am married and have three daughters, and they take up quite a bit of my time also."

Do you have any feeling about a resurgence of school spirit?

"Sports has a real bearing on the attitude of the student body. I think this is too bad because when we run into difficulty as we have had in winning a few games then I think this permeates into the thinking of the student body. After our recent two victories, I think the kids were a little more anxious to get to school. We Americans like to win whether we're playing tid-dly winks, marbles, or football. You've got to keep it in the right perspective, however. There's no reason why we can't do an excellent job in the classroom and an excellent job on the athletic field."

The reporter gathers up his materials, thanks Mr. Tyler for the interview and departs, ready to write his story.



PRINCIPAL RAYMOND TYLER

welcomes nervous reporter into his office.

Improved Team Analyzed

by Pat Lustman
as told to Marc Ellenby

THE FOOTBALL team's success this year cannot be attributed to any tangible factor. It is perhaps the desire to win and the knowledge that we can that has made the difference.

The players, the coaches, and the entire student body have changed their attitude. But I think it is mostly the players, because the student body is very fickle. You and I both know that this is true, and it's time the students realized it themselves.

Our coaches are excellent and have helped to instill a winning attitude, but that's not all of it. Mr. Yursky and his staff were also fine coaches, but this year there's something else. That's right—unmistakable, yet indescribable.

ATTITUDE of the team? It's

optimistic, to say the least, but I consider myself a pessimist. We suffered a lapse in mental attitude after our victory over Oak Park (we went out and played real football in that game). But our overconfidence led to our defeat the following week.

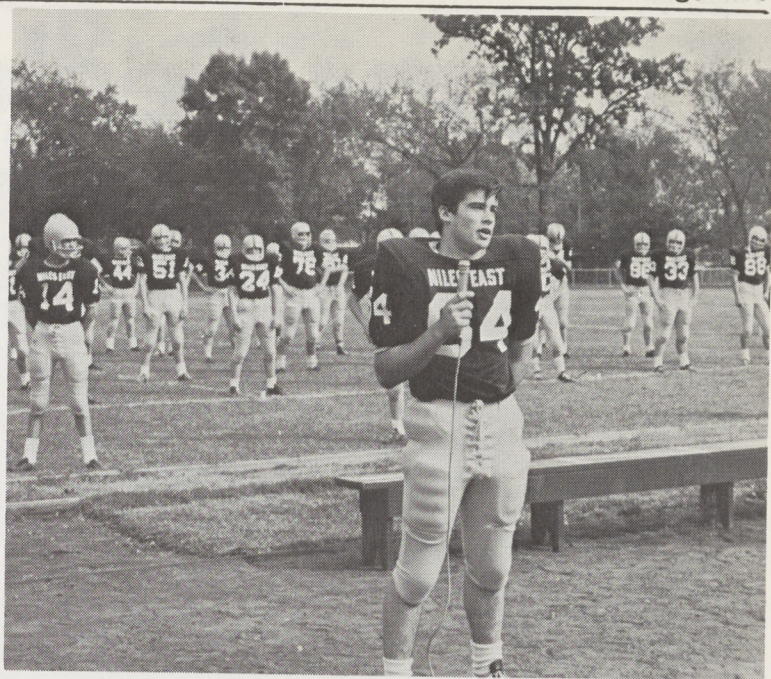
Yes, I suppose so . . . You're right, we should be confident, but to a degree. We have a fine team, and I'm proud to be captain of it. Mario Corona, in my opinion, is the best halfback in the Suburban League—he should make All-Suburban. Bill Schreiber in his first year out has bolstered the defensive line.

George Gargano, a halfback going both ways, is the team's hardest worker; I'd say Mike Meyerhoff, an offensive tackle, is by far the most improved player. And the

juniors this year have strong potential, especially quarterback Todd Bonner, linebackers Ed Thiry and Gary Lonquist, and fullback Rich Becker.

BEFORE a game I dislike making predictions—it's not like me. If I have any doubt in my mind about the outcome of a game, I don't say anything.

I really stuck my neck out in saying we were going to beat West because I felt that we were going to win, and we did. But you can write this down—we'll beat New Trier.



CAPTAIN PAT Lustman speaks before the student body at this year's first pep assembly.

Speaking of Cliches . . .

In Your Heart You Know It's Trite

by Eric Palles

SPEAKING AS A sports writer, I would like to say simply, I hate cliches in sport stories. If something can't be said in plain, simple English, it shouldn't be said at all. I would advise aspiring sports writers not to get into the habit of using cliches. After all, "as the twig is bent, so grows the tree."

In the past, too many publications have let themselves be dragged into the muck of sports jargon. (I don't wish to mention any specific people or organizations, but "if the shoe fits, wear it.")

Foibles in Football Reporting
Football is perhaps the sport that best lends itself to cliches. There is a romance about a halfback "galloping down the gridiron clutching the pigskin, and plunging for the paydirt." There is magic in a fullback making a 20 yard "jaunt," evading "bone-crushing tackles."

What person is so callous that he does not weep piteously when his team "miscues" and the other team takes over? Whose heart does not leap when his hero "snat-

ches" an interception and "scampers" downfield? Whose heart does not sink when the hero is "spilled" and "bites the dust"?

Who doesn't become excited when a team has a prolonged "drive" and "marches" for the "tally"? What coach would not "give his right arm" for a quarterback who's a good "scrambler," and can "rifle a pass" or "unload the bomb."

Baseball Quite Trite

Another sport that abounds with cliches is baseball.

For those who don't know the object of "the national pastime," it is simply to "swat the horsehide" with a "war club." The pitcher is the guy who "chucks the ball across the 'dish.'" He uses a

variety of pitches, including the "hummer" and the "flutterball." Some pitchers use the "spitter" which is neither legal nor sanitary, and some use the "duster" which is downright nasty.

There are several types of batters in the lineup, most of whom are "weak with the stick," and "Whiff" a lot. The "lead-off" man has to get on base and "steal" second. The "clean-up" man is the "big gun." He's the guy who hits "homers" or "circuit clouts." He can really give the ball a "jolt." Of course, if he doesn't get a "piece of the ball," he may hit a "blooper" (if you don't know what that is, it's like it sounds—bloop).

A good fielder "gobbles" up the ball without "bobbling" it when it comes to him, and "pegs" it across the infield.

And so to all would-be sports writers I stress, "Avoid cliches and you will write happily ever after."

New Trier Graduate Puts Hex on Indians

IS THERE a sports spy at Niles East, or is it merely a double agent? Actually it's neither one, but a demonstration of Niles East spirit.

Miss Bonnie Benjamin, social studies teacher and a former student of New Trier, has indicated that she is now a loyal Niles East fan. When asked which side she would sit on for tomorrow's homecoming game she quickly responded, "Is there any other side but EAST's?"

Hates New Trier

A former member of the Indian band (she played the flute), Miss Benjamin indicated she has broken all her ties with New Trier and vehemently says, "I hate them. They deserve to lose."

While she attended New Trier, Miss Benjamin does not recall playing Niles and attributes that to the over-inflatedness of the North Shore school "People take pride and spirit for granted at New Trier; they take everything for granted."

Now the co-sponsor of the pep club, Gold and Blue, the graduate of the University of California is trying to instill her zeal and enthusiasm in the students at East.

'More Spirit'

"Students at East have a lot more spirit than the kids at New Trier had. . . . There is more individualism at Niles while at New Trier it seemed as if there were 2000 pairs of identical twins."

Miss Benjamin is putting a special hex on New Trier which she won't reveal, but says that it is a tested method.

How does she predict tomorrow's game?

"We'll win, of course."

Pink Squad Shows True Colors

THERE ARE many elements that combine to form a winning football team such as this year's Niles

string players. According to Senior Pat Arney, pink team captain, "We like to think of the pink team as our own team, although it really isn't."

Pink team members take part in the same practices, agility drills, and pass drills as the regular team. The squad also has two special functions. One of its tasks is holding the dummies during team workouts.

Job of Pink Squad Defined

As its primary job, though, the pink team is responsible for grooming the first-string defense and sharpening the techniques of the regular offense during intra-team scrimmages. It does so by playing against those starting teams. According to Arney, "The pink team is especially important because it prepares the regular team for the games on Saturdays. Also, the entire football team could afford an injury to one of us better than an injury to a regular team member."

Arney also asserted "unlike many other high school teams, there is no feeling of jealousy on the Trojan team. The general attitude of the non-regular players is to try harder. There are people who play and people who don't play—but that's just the game of football."

More Pink Team Duties

After a disheartening incident during a game, pink team members try to lift the spirits of the playing team. "The whole team plays the game, although there are only eleven players on the field," Arney explained. And according to Junior Barry Hartstein, defensive halfback, "The pink team really perks up our perspiring, perservering first team."

Head Coach Jim Harkema termed

the performance of the 1967-68 team as "outstanding job." He said, "I'm real happy with the way they work and especially with their attitude. Although they may not get to play this year, they'll definitely be helping next year."

Coach Harkema also stated, "The pink team's job is not an easy one, but any winning ball club has to have such a team." And the winning Trojans have their pink team.



MEMBERS OF the pink team crash through pressurized pads.

Athletic Schedule

FOOTBALL

- Sat. Oct. 21—New Trier
HOMECOMING
- Sat. Oct. 28—Highland Park
Away
- Sat. Nov. 4—Evanston
Away

CROSS COUNTRY

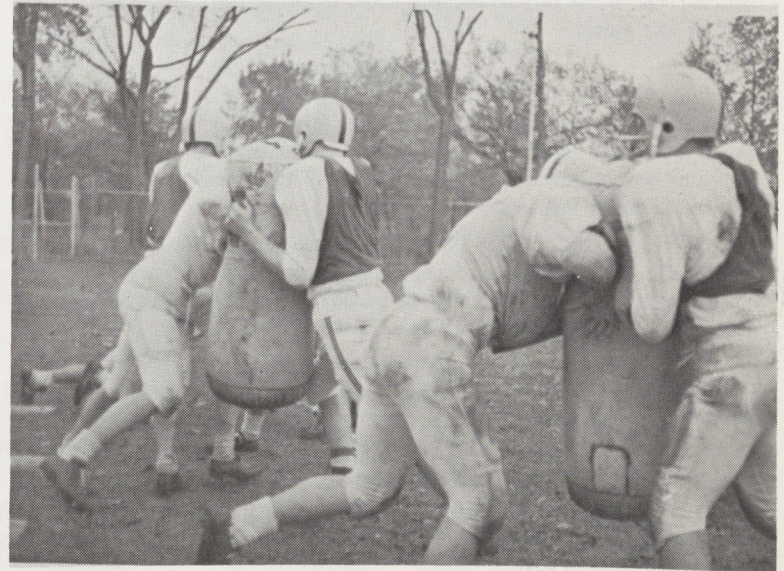
- Sat. Oct. 21—SUBURBAN
LEAGUE MEET at Evanston
- Tues. Oct. 24—Proviso East
HOME
- Sat. Oct. 28—STATE DISTRICT
- Sat. Nov. 4—STATE FINALS

East Trojans. Those elements include the coaches, the playing members of the team, the cheerleaders, and of course the fans.

However, there is another element which is just as crucial to the welfare of the team, but which works only behind the scenes of the Saturday contests. And that is the Trojan Pink Team.

The Who?

The entire Varsity team is divided into three squads: the blue team, the gold team, and the pink team. The 13 members of that pink squad are mostly substitutes and third-



HOLDING THE blocking dummies is a main function of the pink team.

Trojans Seek Homecoming Win



WHEREVER Mario Corona (20) goes, he attracts a crowd. Here he has been downed after a short gain.

IT'S HOMECOMING and the Trojans will be returning home after a long absence to face New Trier's Indians. Troy will be ready for New Trier, especially in view of the rough competition the gridmen have met in the past several weeks.

East will be grateful to return home after a dismal road trip. The Trojans have a winless record against three defeats away, while they are 2-0 at home.

Win Two in a Row
After beating West, 14-7, East beat Oak Park, 21-13. Junior Quarterback Todd Bonner accounted for all the Trojan scoring by winging three touchdown passes, a performance that Coach Harkema con-

sidered "as fine as any high school quarterback."

Receiving the Bonner passes were Seniors Mario Corona, George Gargano, and Ron Harling. Coach Harkema was also laudatory of East's "real fine" defense, captained by Pat Lustman.

The Trojans then traveled to Morton East. They jumped out to an early lead on a 28 yard pass from Bonner to Harling and a 2 yard plunge by Mark Koppel. The score was East 13, Morton 0 in the early moments of the second quarter.

Trojan Drives Thwarted
Twice more the Trojans threatened to score, but their drives were thwarted deep in Morton territory. The momentum of the game perceptibly began to change as the Mustangs became the first team of the season to score against the staunch Trojan defense in the first half.

Morton's scrambling quarterbacks Andy Strompolos and John Nesladek simply wore out the weary Trojan defenders as East went down in defeat, 27-13.

TRAVELING NEXT to meet the Proviso Pirates, the Trojans displayed perhaps their best performance of the season. After spotting the Pirates 14 points, East battled back to score 9 points in the final quarter, and were threatening to defeat highly-touted Proviso.

passes for 95 yards. Quarterback Bonner also showed his mettle by completing 12 passes in 21 attempts for 196 yards.

A 65 yard touchdown pass to Corona put East in the scoring column. Utilizing their new momentum, the Trojans marched down to the Proviso. 15. Proviso's William Allen "pirated" a ball in the end zone and sank Trojan hopes.

Troy received two points on a safety and received the ball too late to renew their offensive attack.

Violent Loss
Troy's loss to Waukegan, 34-13, was not only disappointing, it was violent. Between fist fights and especially brutal football, durable Tackle Nate Stahlke and Todd Bonner were casualties. Corona, alone, provided the offensive glitter as Troy's aerial attack faltered. Bonner completed only four passes while throwing as many interceptions.

Trailing 27-0 in the fourth quarter, Bonner let loose a 17 yard toss to End George DeMeulenaere. Bruce Lawrenz, coming in to quarterback, flipped a screen pass to Wingback Nick Nikitow who galloped 64 yards for the touchdown as time expired in the contest.

After facing the big powers of the Suburban League, the Trojans will find New Trier and Highland Park a sort of relief before concluding the season against top ranked Evanston.

Winless Harrier Squad Hopeful For High Finish in League Meet

LAST TUESDAY the Trojan Harriers lost two of their top winners, Arnie Rotkin and Gerry Letzkus, and consequently, lost to Morton East by a score of 23 to 32, leaving the team without a victory. The score was close enough, however, to convince the squad that with Letzkus and Rotkin back on Saturday, they can beat Morton in the League meet at Evanston.

The Harriers are also convinced that they can beat both Waukegan and Highland Park, teams they have already lost to, in the meet tomorrow. Both teams won over East by a score of 27 to 29, in which single poor individual performances cost East victories. This has often been the case.

Only Eight Runners
Having only eight runners, the team suffers from an acute lack of depth. No runner can run his best in every meet. When one runner does do poorly, or cannot run, it often costs East the meet, because there is no one to take that runner's place. This was the case at the Highland Park, Waukegan, and Morton East meets.

Last October 7 all of the East Harriers managed to run well, and East placed 11th in the 20-team Ridgewood Invitational, beating

arch-rival Niles North by 5 points. Rotkin was first for East, taking 37th place. Gerry Letzkus, Don Schubert, Bob Roth, and Bill Gardiner were 50th, 54th, 67th and 81st respectively, out of 140 runners. This order has been typical of most meets so far, with Letzkus or Schubert sometimes beating out each other or Rotkin.

Roy Settler has often been 5th for East, and George Garbo and Clyde Denis, the only juniors out, are valuable pushers.

Frosh-Soph Wins
Tuesday the Frosh-Soph team got its only two victories of the season, walloping Morton East and beating Lake Forest. Ken Kravitz, sophomore sensation, won the double dual with the excellent time of 12:32 for the hilly, 2.1 mile Bunker Hill course. Sophomore Bruce Glickson was 2nd, and Freshman Don Meister 6th. Kravitz also finished first against Waukegan last week, and his steady improvement leaves high hopes for him next year. Glickson is also being counted on for next year because of his consistently good performance, as is Meister. Also out on the frosh-soph level are Bob Allen, Rich Marcus, Bruce Epstein, Bary Baim, and Rich Dy-

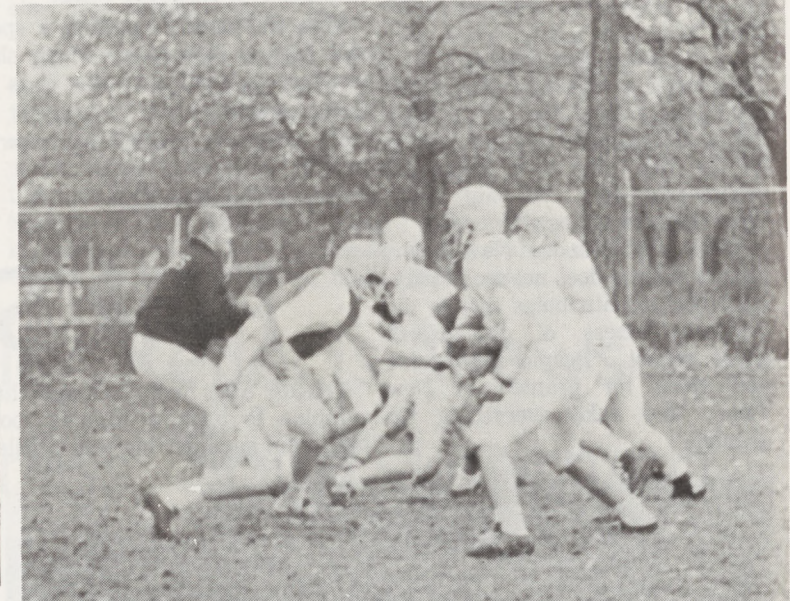
er, who is ineligible this year but who will run in meets next year. However, with only three sophomores and two juniors out this year Niles East will be hard pressed to field a full squad next year. If East is to continue to compete in Suburban League Cross Country, more runners are desperately needed

Waukegan vs. Niles East

Waukegan	7	20	0	7
Niles East	0	0	0	13
1st Quarter				
Waukegan	Rucks	26 yard pass	interception.	
2nd Quarter				
Waukegan	Carlson	2 yard run		
	Carlson	20 yard run		
	Walker	19 yard run		
3rd Quarter				
No scoring				
4th Quarter				
Niles:	DeMeulenaere	17 yard pass	from Bonner	
Waukegan:	29 yard pass	to Rucks		
Niles:	Nikitow	64 yard pass	from Lawrenz	

Suburban League Standings

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Evanston	4	0
Proviso East	4	0
Waukegan	3	1
NILES EAST	1	3
Morton East	1	3
New Trier	1	3
Oak Park	1	3
Highland Park	0	4



THE TROJAN practice a play they hope to use successfully against New Trier.

Quick-Kicks

GAA Looks Ahead

"THE NILES EAST Girls' Interscholasfic Tennis Team is looking forward to a victorious season," said Miss Joyce Feldkamp, sponsor of the team.

The girls opened their fall season against Evanston when they lost 1-6, but came back again to defeat Niles North 4-3, and lost a close one to New Trier 3-4.

The team includes singles members Ivy Katz, Nancy Newlen, Laurie Becker, Marnie Bishop, Jackie Miggins, Sherri Prince, Donna Kleinschmidt, and Rosemary White.

The doubles players are Fay Reich, Lynn Rosen, Chris Kusek, Bernice Sudak, Cathy Defranceski, Chris Dessent, Mary Anne Coburn, and Kathy Kukleimicz.

The team is sponsored by the Girls' Athletic Association and the Girls' P.E. Department.



SENIOR HARRIER Arnie Rotkin shows the strain of a long race

Penetrations Time for a Comeback

by Steve Vetzner

ALTHOUGH WATCHING A FOOTBALL GAME in its entirety does have its exciting moments, many times all the excitement of 48 minutes of gridiron excitement can be condensed in just the final few minutes of a football game.

In many football games, although there is quite a bit of action, the scoring, the most important and most exciting part, occurs right at the end of the game.

The Comeback

One exciting aspect of football that occurs as the clock steadily ticks away is the comeback. This can be described as a period of time during which a team does superhuman feats (such as throwing and catching a football) to come from behind and defeat a team which has already been in the lead.

IT IS DURING THIS TIME that coaches develop their ulcers and train their magnetic eyes on the scoreboard clock, one trying to speed up the clock and the other trying to slow it down. Each one cancels the other out letting the clock tick at its usual speed.

Amazing Things Can Happen

During a comeback amazing things happen such as scoring and a great amount of football activity. One of the main prerequisites for a comeback is for the leading team to become overconfident so that the team which is behind will forge ahead.

If this doesn't happen, then the coach must get his players so full of spirit and fight that they think they can part the Red Sea and leap tall buildings in a single bound.

Twice this year, Niles fans have seen the Trojans stage a comeback. Once it led to a victory and another time defeat occurred. A comeback does not always have to occur, especially when out team is superior to another.