

# NINE SPARTANS GAIN EPHEBIAN HONORS

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## Nominees Notified at End Of Second Period Today

In an exclusive and carefully guarded report to the Federalist, the names of nine Ephebian, chosen by faculty and members of the Senior A class this week to represent the Spartans were revealed yesterday by Walker Brown, principal. Nominees were notified at the end of the second period by a summons to the cafeteria for brunch.

The names of these students honored by selection to this society for civic betterment and a few of the activities in which they have participated are as follows:

**Gloria Barsimantob**, Student Body cabinet, First Ladies, and public speaking; **Hyman Bass**, Student Body president, Boys' League president, Green Key club, and Nevians; **Eugene Carr**, Senior A president, and Student Body treasurer; **Marilyn Garden**, Senior A vice-president, president of House of Representatives, and First Ladies; **Sally Hughes**, Girls' State, Seal Bearer, First Ladies; **Glen Johnson**, Green Key club, Senior Aye council, and Letterman's club; **Dick Jordan**, Student Body cabinet, Green Key club, and Varsity football; **Dick Wagenseller**, Green Key club, Varsity football, and Varsity baseball; and **Betty Weiss**, president of the First Ladies, and Girls' League treasurer.

Each of the ten chosen has played an outstanding role in school service, student government, and classroom activities. They have met the membership qualifications of scholarship, character, and leadership. When they have fulfilled certain additional requirements, they will become permanent members of this non-profit organization, dedicated to the promotion of improvement in city government.

The Ephebian were a society of ancient Athens whose members were chosen by public authority to serve the city. They were required to taken an oath which read:

"We will never bring disgrace honesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks; we will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the city, both alone and with many; we will revere and obey the city's laws and do our best to incite a like respect in those above us who are prone to annual or set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public sense of civic duty. Thus, in all these ways, we will transmit this city not only not less, but far greater and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

## Damsels Occupy Important Posts

An enthusiastic group of Hamilton girls took over the main posts in schools and business to commemorate Girls' Week, April 16-20.

Monday, April 16, was officially "Girls' Week in the Schools" although Hamilton postponed its celebration until Wednesday. At this time all positions on the administration and faculty were taken over by the fairer sex. Shirley Harkins took over Walker Brown's job as principal; June Jones as girls' vice-principal, and Valerie Wright as boys' vice-principal to comprise the executives. The other offices were taken over by Carol Winkler, attendance office; Kathy Blake, counselor's office; Sally Finger, main office; Virginia Van Wie, business office; Betty Weiss, library; Lorraine Gotsman, health office; and Patty Whidden and Vera Woodland, gym office.

All over Los Angeles on Tuesday, the day reserved for "Girls' Week in Business," girls were given a chance to see what the business world looked like from the inside. Thirty-seven Hamilton girls visited such places as trade schools, hospitals, bank, insurance companies, clinics, department stores, the telephone company, Board of Education and the City Hall.

Terminating the Girls' Week activities today, a tea will be held at the King's Road Frank Wiggins school, honoring girls and girls' vice-principals from each high school. Suzy Hartsock is to be the only speaker of the day, representing the girls of all senior high schools. Representatives from business and professional women's clubs and women outstanding in all fields will also be represented.

## Moffett Chooses Winning Photos

The twelve photographs selected by Jim Moffett to hang in his camera store were announced last week by Mrs. Lois Vinette, photography teacher. Out of a number of photos entered, the following were judged to be the best:

"Girl Gymnast" and "Sea Breeze" by Terry Meade; "Bottles" by Lyle Swanson; "Sandy Sea and Waves" by Arnold Adler; "Lost Road" by Phyllis Marks; "Calla" by Diana Sage; "Old Subject; Pattern Angle" by Phil Melnick; "New Angle in Line" by Harvey Shore; "Wonder Goddess" by Allan Abis; "For Sale" by Irwin Weinstein; "Chip Off the Old Block" by Gloria Covel; and "Mending the Net" by Harvey Shore.

Students and their friends are urged to come to Moffett's Camera Store, 4347 Sepulveda Blvd., to see the pictures and vote for their favorites. The photographer of the winning picture will receive a prize for his work.

## Open House Attracts Many; Jr. Phil. Concert Tops Events

Hundreds of parents and relatives of students crowded Hamilton's hall last night as Public Schools Week was observed with an Open House and a concert by the Junior Philharmonic Society.

The Open House was co-sponsored by the P.T.A. and the Masons. Mrs. Harry Keeling, president of the Hamilton P.T.A., and Bob Ford, of the Masonic Lodge, took part in a program preceding the concert.

From 7 to 8 p.m., the main building was open to parents who wished to visit teachers, and visitors who simply wanted to get an inside look at one of the public schools. These interested crowds watched the demonstrations that some of the classes held. The language classes had students on hand to greet and talk with the guests in the language they study, if the opportunity arose. The commercial department held demonstrations as has been its custom in the past.

The emphasis this year was on hospitality rather than demonstration, however.

At 8:15 p.m. the Junior Philharmonic Society presented its annual spring concert, to a full auditorium. Verne Martin directed the orchestra in two numbers, and there was choir singing by the A Cappella, the Aeolian and the Girls' Glee Club, including a selection of numbers from the forthcoming musical, "Oh! Susanna." The president of the Jr. Phil., Pat Crane, presented a flute solo and baritone Alan Bobier sang the "Song of the Vagabonds."

"It was pleasant and satisfying to have so many guests show their interest and friendship," states Mrs. Gertrud Addison, girls' vice-principal.

The student body cabinet served as the hospitality committee with the Green Key Club and First Ladies as ushers. Programs were issued to all guests.

## Medical Arts Club, Sponsor Visit Orthopedic Hospital

Under the direction of Miss Alma Marie Hokanson, the Medical Arts club and the Family Care students visited the Orthopedic hospital last Friday.

When your roving reporter interviewed Rosemary O'Mally, a member of the Medical Arts club, she stated that the students who went were going to make a career of nursing or were interested in some phase of medical work. A Medical Social Service worker showed the visitors through each department. They were told that the hospital accepts all races and that charges depend on the ability to pay but most patients are treated without charge.

In one year the hospital handled more than 600,000 cases. They have in-patients and out-patients all the time. They have casts, supports, and braces, and it is really a very long and tedious job to again become like normal human beings by orthopedic corrections.

## Boys' Week Set For End of Month

Plans are now being made for the boys who are going to participate in Boys' Week, announced for the week of April 30.

"Boys' Week is universal, and is celebrated by boys all over the world," states William Crow, Boys' League sponsor. "It gives boys a chance to take over jobs in the government, business and other activities of the world. Boys have a great advantage and opportunity in fields of their interest and are given recognition along with responsibility."

On this day the boys will be recognized throughout the city. Some of these boys who will represent Hamilton are Hyman Bass, who will be William Parker, chief of police; Dick Jordan, Frederick Houser, Superior Court Judge; Irving Osser, Charles Bean, chief engineer and general manager of Public Utilities and Transportation; Don Barnes, William Fox, chief engineer of County Department of Building and Safety; Ken Koury, Charles P. Johnson, Judge of the Municipal Court; Sheldon Kressler, John Henderson, County Librarian; Tom Eagles, Captain James Fulton, captain of police; and Gerald Neiter, C. F. Gehring, who is executive assistant of the County Museum.

## Meru's Copy

By MERVYN KOPP

There is a certain kind of spirit, or spirits, on which there is no tax, no state supervision. You don't need a license to dispense it, you don't have to be over 18 to partake of it. This certain species of spirit is readily inhaled, and easily diffused. It is sold by government-supported institutions, the schools, and can be had any place of learning.



Mervyn Kopp

By this time, all of you must have guessed this certain kind of spirit to be school spirit, a factor that is missing at Hamilton. There are many ways to combat this missing component, some of which were brought out at last week's highly controversial Town Meeting.

However, I believe that school spirit starts right within the students themselves, not in the teachers, not in the classrooms, not in the school as a unit, but with the single student alone.

It is the single student that must support the "student body" events, because you must certainly, because you most certainly can't have a student body without students.

I know that I, for one, feel most ashamed when, at an athletic event or the like, there but a few students present from HAMI, as compared to the veritable hundreds from the opponents' schools. I feel even more ashamed when someone in the enemy's camp whom I know comes up and says to me, "This is a turnout! What's matter, do they have an Iron Curtain at HAMI that doesn't allow the students to find out about these extra-mural affairs?"

To this I can only blushingly stammer, "Heh, heh, I guess it's because we don't have much

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## Nevians at Convention

A score of Nevians, including President Betty Arnason and Sponsor Miss Cora Mabee, attended the annual convention of the California Scholarship Federation last Saturday, April 14, at Washington high school.

During the convention, which lasted from 9 to 4 o'clock, the agenda included discussion groups, entertainment in the auditorium, an appetizing luncheon, and tours to various points of interest. This last activity included visits to movie, television, and radio studios, the International Airport, and auto assembly plant, the Griffith Park Observatory, and the Los Angeles Harbor.

Approximately 750 students with their sponsors attended from all over Southern California.

## Orchids to You

The Orchid of the week goes to a very energetic boy of the Spartan Class.

Since entering Hamilton he has entered into many activities around the campus. Some of these have been House of Representatives, Boys' League and Financial Representative.

Mr. X is always seen with a bright smile on his face and has done many things to benefit our school.

Other of his activities have been A Cappella, and in his Senior Bee semester he was the Boys' vice-president of his class.

With these clues you should be able to guess the identity of this mighty Spartan.

Now he is one more clue. But here is Student Body vice-president.

If you haven't guessed by now, turn to Sada's ad for his identity.

Will Mr. X please come to room 114 during period V to receive the card entitling him to his well-deserved beautiful orchid.





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## Paul Revere Inspiration to Americans

"Listen my children and you shall hear,  
 Of the midnight ride of Paul Revere . . ."

The words of Longfellow's famous poem are recalled when we realize that this week marks the 176th anniversary of that immortal American's famous ride. We think today not so much of Paul Revere as an individual but as the spirit of all those through history who have "ridden" to preserve the cause of right and prevent oppression. All Americans, and all men everywhere who seek freedom and truth, may gain inspiration from the willingness, the preparedness, and the faith in a great cause that the name of Paul Revere implies.

## Public Schools Honored This Week

Distorted and pathetic was the heritage to which the infant year, nineteen hundred and twenty, might lay claim. But a short time had elapsed since the signing of the Armistice, and the turbulent war years had reduced our country to a state of chaos. Amongst the hardest to be hit by this period of crisis and instability was the educational system of California, as well as that of the entire nation.

The problem was simple, but in contrast, the answer was quite difficult. Teachers were practically not to be had. For this reason 18,279 schools in the United States were forced to discontinue. The majority of available teachers were under-trained or below standard, and to make matters worse, the general public, preoccupied with the problems of the day, could find neither time nor interest for the situation. Such was the condition of education throughout the state and nation at the beginning of 1920.

Then, with our school system virtually on the point of collapse, redemption arrived in the form of an observance instituted by Charles Albert Adams, Grand Master of Masons of California, and this observance, commencing on the fourth Monday in April of each year was to be known as California Public Schools Week.

Almost spontaneously, as if shocked into realization, the entire nation took up the cry, and today, the commemoration, now known as American Education Week, is advocated by Americans in every walk of life.

-D. S.

## To Blond or Not to Blond

Easter vacation produced not only its usual number of bunnies and Easter eggs but also a bumper crop of bottle blondes. This raises the question of, "Why were these 20 volume peroxide bottles so popular during vacation?"

Pat Donovan, a very striking blond, exclaims, "I love blond hair. Gee whiz! You're only young once and, well, why not stay with a fad while it's on? Look at me! I've got brown hair in back and white in front; it's not a mistake either; I made it that way!"

Joyce Rebol, another bottle blond, states, "Look how good blond hair looks with tans. I love it. It makes eyes so much more outstanding. I wouldn't go through summer without it."

"I think blond hair is neat, especially during the summer," commented Diane Blackman, as she put her hand gracefully up to brush back her blond bangs. Of course, there is another side. Take for instance Ernie Bales who disapproves. "It stinks!" he snorts. "Girls should leave their hair alone."

One of the mighty Senior Ayes, Don Nygren, barked out a short and quick, "Thumbs down!" I'd be willing to bet his his girl has blond hair though! What do ya bet?

Dick Sheldon, a popular bottle blond, remarks, "I think it's a wonderful fad and that more kids should be in on it!" There are reasons for and against it, but the best reason against it is one from Mrs. Thelma Stine, personal grooming teacher, who exclaims:

"Peroxide is bad for your hair!

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## Alumni Album

By DIANNE PELLICCIOTTI and SHARLENE LAWSON

### Acquiring Knowledge—

Bill Hansard, S'47, is attending S.M.C.C. and has been averaging 10 points a week running track. In his spare time he works at King's Tropical Inn. Paul Brobery, S'49, and Joe Rucconi are also attending S.M.C.C. Ralph Diania, S'49, is furthering his education at S.M.C.C. and is working part time at Helms Bakery. Dennis Campbell and Jimmy McShane, S'50, are also at S.M.C.C. Jim Salisbury, W'51,



is making quite a name for himself at U.C.L.A. Janet Lones, S'50, is now attending U.S.C. and is really enjoying college life. Burt Wetterhan, S'50, is attending L.A.C.C. and is having fun in his spare time. Bob Donald, S'50, is studying engineering at U.S.C.

### Serving Uncle Sam—

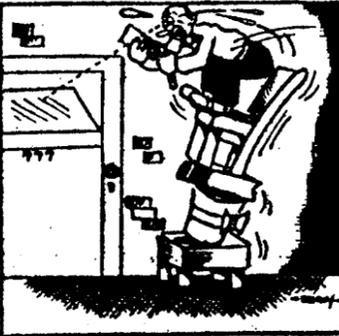
Dick Marlin, S'49, is stationed at Camp Roberts. Through with basic training and enjoying a ten day leave is Pfc. Roger Baker, S'50, of the U.S. Marines. Chuck Fox, W'50, is enjoying civilian life while he can. Chuck leaves the 23rd of this month. He will take his boot camp at Norton Air Field Base in San Bernardino. Gene Tabor, S'49, is home on a 14 day leave from the Navy. Gene is stationed in San Diego. Wayne Stevenson,



S'48, is with the Army ever in Manila. Don M. Steffens, S'49, is on liberty in Japan. Al Sannelli, W'47, is with the Army, also Don Vasquez, S'50, is in the Army in Japan. Stationed at Norwich, England, is Ronald Pini, S'47.

### Working Their Way Through Life—

Betty Scandlyn, S'50, is working at Dr. J. H. Handlemen's office as his assistant. Working hard in a gas station on Venice and Houser are Ed Dillon and Don Yokaitis, S'50. Robert Duncan, W'45, is working as an automobile salesman in San Francisco. Enjoying his work at M.G.M. Studios is Don Jarel, W'51. Jack Klumpter, S'45, is working as an engineer in the California Hospital. Working in



a factory is Bill Adler, W'51. Bill Perrine, W'51, is studying to be a pilot at a branch of Frank Wiggins Trade School. Employed at Howard Hughes Air Craft Company is Jack Larsen, W'46. Making a career of dancing is Elaine Dahle, S'48. Dale Hackler, S'50, is working at the Southland Lumber Co. Marty Freed, S'48, was seen working hard in a local gas station. Majorie Igo, S'50, is working at Grant's in Santa Monica. Employed by the Bank of America is Barbara Johnson, W'51, and reports she is really enjoying her job. Louis Arnold, S'50, and Bill Steuwe, S'50, are going to enter the fly contest at the Sportsman Show.

### Settling down to married life—

Doris Fager, S'49, and Jack Gates are happily married. Mrs. Alfred Eye, the former Phyllis Talent, S'48, is the smiling mother of a baby girl. Roberta and Bill Starr, W'47, are proud parents of a baby boy. Their home now is in Boone, Iowa. Happily married are Richard Ripple, W'48, and La Verne Foster, W'50. The former Dawn Clarke, S'42, now Mrs. Nickie Polchicoff, and Nickie have a new baby girl named Jan.

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## Popular Songs Are 'Going to the Dogs'

If someone commented that the currently popular songs had "gone to the dogs," it wouldn't necessarily be an insult. It seems in the last month or so the most popular songs have been written about animals.

"I Tat I Saw a Puddy Tat," has been cheered the world over; while running close in popularity are: "Sparrow in the Tree-tops," "Mockin' Bird Hill," "Aba Daba Honeymoon" (the love affair of a chimpanzee and a monkey), "Katie the Kangaroo," "The Chicken Song" (or I Ain't Gonna Take It Settlin' Down), "Here Comes Peter Cottontail," and "Sonny, the Bunny." Ah 'tis truly the season for the animal lover!

## Rabbits Have Morals Too!

Once upon a time there was a rabbit who had a phobia for tying squirrels' tails in knots. The squirrels did not like this, so they went to the good fairy of the forest and complained. The good fairy went to the rabbit and told him that unless he stopped tying the squirrels' tails in knots, he would be turned into a goon. The little rabbit was very good for about four or five days after the warning, but he saw a real big bushy tail and he could not resist the temptation. The squirrel then went to the good fairy of the forest, who turned the rabbit into a goon.

The moral of this story, my children, is "Hare today, goon tomorrow!"

Betty Birkinshaw: "What are the three R's?"

Jimmy Plane: "Register, get Ready, and Report!"

## Jots From Judy

By JUDY CLARK

### BIG BEAR WAS BARE

of snow that is, last weekend, when Sally Moskolin, Frieda Smith, Marlene Weidman, Louann Jenkins, Phyllis Parkins, Elaine Shorman, Marjorie Igo, Judy Hicks, Wanda Shorman, Norman Tabor, Margie Parkins, Bob Cornet, Richard Carpenter, Dick Church, Pat Cornet, Bob Bollman, Donna Hewitt, Pat Creath, Dwight Carlson, Paul Broberg and Gene Tabor were having a gala time looking for it.



Judy Clark

### CLOCK SUPPER CLUB

In the valley last Friday night, laughing and dancing were Barney Bernard, Barbara Savino, Don Snow, Cissy Grant, Norm North and Marvel Martin.

### FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH

found Dorothy Siebert, Barbara De Prez, Elaine Walters, Marge Prollins, Barbara De Maria, Maryrice Zickerman, Paulinda Wilson, Joyce Wheeler, Barbara Nizibian, Wanda Fry, Nicki Von Strench and Barbara Levinson at the Olympic Drive Inn, afterward attending a slumbering party at the home of Betty Jean Wood. No bad luck was brought on these fun-loving gals that night.

### OH, MY ACHING BACK!

Riding the horses at Griffith Park Stables were Betty Felds, Merle Slaten, Roberta Le, Sherry Lynch, Lemore Slater, Edith Finkle and Ruby Jones.

### CLYDE BEATTY'S CIRCUS

Intrigued many Yanks last Saturday night. Those munching popcorn and drinking Cokes were Bill Adler, Ann Leahy, Bob Warburton, Jo Salmon, and Barbara Phelps with her off-campus date.

### CONGRATULATIONS

are in order to Louise Delliquadri B-11 and Alvin Maring A-11, who have announced their engagement. They plan to take their wedding vows during Easter in 1953.

### FUN, FOOD, AND FROLIC

Last Friday night having a surprise party for Bill Bostater were Sally Hughes, Bill Bostater, Carol Bergh, Jim Hurst, Joyce Phillips, Bill Bacon, Bobbie Perkins, Bill Hall, Mike Hoey, Pat McGaffy, Mike Stingley, Eileen Stanley, Gene Carr, Barbara Jurin, Margie Vincent, Bob Sigler, Al Bobier, Bill Dunster, Larry Miller; all helped to make the party a huge success.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

This congratulation goes to Sandy Freeman, who celebrated her birthday last Saturday with 48 other guests from different schools. Those from Hamilton were Barbara Cramme and Arnie Adler.

(And that is "30" in the Social World)

# News Briefs By CARLEEN FINNEY

## What Will Be Your Attire..

Cotton Day looms closer, and that time when a young girl's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of "What on earth am I going to wear?" is back again. This time, however, the fairer sex of Hamilton seems to have the situation well in hand. The Girls' League has asked the girls to make their outfits, and it looks as if they'll come through with flying colors! (No pun intended). Crisp organdies, dotted Swiss, and pique are variations of that good old stand-by cotton that seems to be favored by the girls this term. Bright plaids, dark pastel solids, and an unlimited variety of designs will adorn their skirts and dresses. "The sky's the limit," seems to be the goal of every seamstress here at Hami, giving just another good reason why this Cotton Day will be one to remember!!!

## Under Observation

Last week all the gym classes were observed by students from U.C.L.A. These students are taking physical education majors in college and as an assignment they visited several of the high schools in the Los Angeles school system. They observed the adolescent in a class, to find out how to deal with problems which arise. They also found out what materials to use and what the best methods of teaching are. After visiting all the high schools the students will send a report to each of the principals about the usefulness and quality of the classes.

## Are You a Ham?

The constitution of the Radio Club has been read and approved in the House of Representatives Meeting last Wednesday and is now getting into full swing. If you are interested in radios or in being a "Ham," this is the club for you.

## Student Teachers .....

William Crow's fifth period U.S. History Class, is undergoing changes. The first 10 weeks they had one student teacher, a Mr. O'Meara, now for the remainder of the semester they have a new student teacher, a Mr. Kerman. Both the teachers are from U.C.L.A. and are Phys. Ed. majors and U.S. history minors, so they only stay half a semester.

## Wanted!

Interested students to participate in interscholastic speech tournament-being held at Hamilton. Medals given to winners! Attend Speech League meeting Monday noon in 111.

## Economics Classes Treated

"Min-mm, these ladies should come more often," were the words spoken by some of the girls in Mrs. Leta Emanuelson's home economics classes, last Tuesday, when served lima beans, Armenian shish kabobs, and oatmeal cookies by Mrs. Chris Gauer and Miss Pat Sherman, both from the Southern California Gas Company. They came to demonstrate, for the benefit of the girls, how to use and take care of the three brand new gas ranges which are now theirs to work with in H.E. 20.

## Sports Films

During the painting of the Boys' Gym, the gym class members are seeing movies of various sports events and movies explaining the details of all the sports. Maybe if some of our fellows take these pointers to heart we will turn out some championship teams.

## Treat for Photographers—

Last Wednesday, the hopeful photographers at Hamilton were treated to a very interesting and helpful talk on color photography by Principal Walker Brown. Mr. Brown brought some of his wonderful slides along and very carefully explained just how he got them. Everyone enjoyed it and hopes he comes back again with more of his pictures.

## Boys' Gym—

There is a happy gleam in the eyes of the boys on the Yankee campus because the boys' gym is being painted and therefore there will be no stripping for at least three or four weeks.

## Singing Frenchmen

Mrs. Carolyn Clifton, French teacher, has many records in which the French classes sing together and learn many French songs. If you hear someone singing or whistling "La Vie en Rose" you'll know that's a Frenchman!

## Pat White Wins Contest

The lucky winner of the "Who Am I" contest of April 13 is Pat White, B-12, who submitted the correct answer of Miss Minna Lewis. If she will come to the Federalist office, period 5, today, she will receive a card entitling her to a free pair of Kay King originals given away by Berland's in Culver City.

Watch next week's Federalist, the April 27 issue, for clues to another hidden personality in the "Who Am I?" contest.

Let's not forget our veterans! Lend your assistance in putting on a show at Sawtelle. Come to Theatre Guild Wednesday, 1A, room 215 for details.

# Twin Assemblies Set for April 26

The Girls' and Boys' Leagues will sponsor, on April 26, twin assemblies in which the Washington High School A Cappella Choir and the Hamilton A Cappella Choir will exchange talents, each performing at the other's school.

The Washington choir will be directed by David Lyman. Mr. Lyman is the son of Ralph Lyman, who was the chairman of the music department at Pomona college for many years, and also conductor of their famous glee clubs. David Lyman has been teaching at Washington High for two years. He formerly taught at county schools and is now director of the choir of the First Methodist Church in Huntington Park.

He will direct the choir in "Bless the Lord, Oh My Soul," "Ave Maria," "Summer Evening" with an incidental solo by Winifred Sina, "Tickling Trio," "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," "Italian Street Song," and "I See Your Face Before Me." Their accompanist is Gloria Paradise.

The Hamilton choir, directed by Mrs. Martha Abbott, will sing "Deep River," "Rocka My Soul," "The Star Spangled Banner," and other selections. Jim Hurst will sing a solo, and the Harmonaires will present two numbers.

# Speakers for Lions Club Feast at Top Restaurants

Three members of Hamilton's public speaking classes enjoyed wonderfully prepared meals on Thursday, April 12. Representing the Lions club of Culver-Palms was Robert Hubbell, who spoke at the Miramar hotel on "America's Right to Vote." Although not placing as one of the winners, Bob received a fountain pen.

On the same night Steve Loterman gave his speech on the same subject at the Carolina Pines. Steve won second place for the Lions club of Pico-Robertson.

Using the same subject, Jerry Boime, who was chosen an alternate, gave his speech at the Rapcho Park Lions' Club luncheon. For his fine work Jerry received a leather notebook.

All in all, everyone enjoyed a fine dinner or lunch and made a fine speech for the Lions clubs.

## For Sale!

New Sunbeam electric razor. Birthday present. Have another. Retail price \$24; will sell for \$18. Ph. TE. 0-5688.

# Sad Saga Stirs Spanish Students Mexican Soap Opera Dramatized

"John, I told you I would kill you if I found you with Carmen again! Prepare to die!"

What's this? Someone do something, anything, to prevent this murder!

But wait, what is this I hear?

"Wim John he killed by his brother because of his love for Carmen?" Be sure to report to 304 at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow."

## 'Oh! Susanna' Progressing

Getting ready for this year's spring musical, "Oh, Susanna," rehearsals and plans are under full steam ahead.

The making of sets and costumes, the memorization of parts, the learning of songs, and 3 o'clock rehearsals, are just a few of the jobs that go into the production of a good play.

To add yet more work and confusion, there has been a change in characters. Barry Marlin, an energetic A-12, will play the part of Richard, Steven Foster's rich rival. As there is a double cast, Conrad Framer will also be seen in the part of Richard. Hylton Socher and Diane Kaplan will be seen in the parts of Wille and Susie, respectively.

## Merv's Copy

(Continued from Page 1), school spirit."

So come on, let's go out and support all school-sponsored affairs, such as the Fed, (maybe I'm prejudiced, but it still needs more student support), season passes, the Spring Musical, and last, but not least, and perhaps the most important of all, the athletic contests.

P.S. If anybody has a pet theory on the above subject, bolstering school spirit, just put your idea, name, grade, home-room number, and Fed receipt number on a piece of paper and either drop it into the Fed office, 114, or the Fed mailbox right outside the office. And if a sufficient number of good ideas are received, we might run a column with the best views expressed.

P.P.S. The number of replies is also a pretty good yardstick with which to measure our school spirit.

## The Fourth Estate

With the scheduling of programs coming up, I would like to suggest that all of you who think you can write rather well should sign up for Journalism. It is really a very interesting and informative class, and it teaches you all about the various aspects of the writing profession. Your A-11 semester is a particularly good time to take Journalism I, because then, if you become a rabid journalist, you have a chance to be on the Fed staff in your senior year.

Miss Anita Risdon's eighth semester Spanish students present daily episodes, in Spanish, of course, of a melodrama entitled "Hermano Contra Hermano per el Amor de Carmen," or in English "Brother Against Brother for the Love of Carmen."

Following the best traditions of the soap opera, each student manages to leave the hero or heroine in a serious predicament.

Other interesting ways of learning to speak Spanish well have been devised by Miss Risdon, including panel discussions about Spanish speaking countries all over the world, listening to Spanish records and radio programs, and reading novels and plays. When in the classroom, no one is allowed to speak in English, so everybody has plenty of practice in speaking, so he may be understood when he visits Mexico.

# Nominees for Bank Contest Announced

Nominees for the Bank of America contest were announced this week. The purpose of this contest is to choose an outstanding Senior Aye from each subject field. The top four will compete with other schools for valuable scholarships.

The four chosen from Hamilton are Hyman Bass, science; Bill Moye, art; Gloria Barsimantob, social science, and Dick Jordan, industrial. These four winners will soon be called for a personal interview. The runners-up from other departments were Stanley Groch, Pat Crane, Ray Sinetar, Robert Housman, Joan Reckeway, Vernita Cannon, and Jim Starr.

# The Room Without?

Aud. M is now known as "the room without." You might want to know "without" what? The case is a sad one. Not only are the classes of Graham Harris sitting under pipes, but also there is no bell nor clock. Mr. Harris and his classes are completely befuddled as to what time it is and whether the bell has already rung. Also the paint job that has recently been completed, covered the beautiful birds and musical notes that were formerly spread across the walls and which camouflaged the room's dreary basement atmosphere.

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## Sportalk By Lanny Lewis

### S-T-R-I-K-E O-N-E

Another big baseball season is anticipated by all enthusiasts and players, when President Truman tosses out the first sphere today. The three time, in four years, champion Yankees squared off against the Capitol's own Senators.

Going along with acquaintances in Reno, I favor the Dodgers in National and the Red Sox in the American circuit. Both of these clubs seem to have sufficient pitching power to carry them through the battle. There should be an extremely tough campaign in the National loop with "Da Bums" barely slipping by the Phillies, and ex-bum Leo Durocher's Giants. They were scorching hot throughout the practice season. I'll stick with ol' Casey Stengel's Bronx Bombers to be right in back of the Bosox. Casey has steered two straight Series winners in a row. That's top for anyone's laughing lettuce.

### HAPPY, UNHAPPY

This 1951 season has special significance. No. 1: It is doubtful that "Happy" Chandler will complete his final year as commissioner. Much pressure has been pointed in the direction of ousting him out of office. This cannot be done, due to a contract. But if he gets little, or no cooperation from the major league club presidents, he will either have to retire or there will be terrific conflict and turmoil in organized baseball. Only time will be able to tell the outcome of this preposterous situation.

The other, and more important, difference will be the shortage of some draftable manpower. The present peacetime draft laws have been cutting huge chunks of young talent from many squads. The shortage of hickory men has not been predominant for the past seven years.

Many petty people are creating quite a stink because all athletes are not forced into the Army by the Selective Service. There were many athletes during World War II who were not drafted, and many of them received unjust criticism. In the latest Cosmopolitan Magazine they ran a facsimile of a story on this subject. They almost insinuated that the draft boards were crooked. This book should be terribly ashamed of itself for even thinking such ridiculous nonsense. The draft boards are one of the most democratic institutions in America.

### SANDLOT BALL

Last week I mentioned that Coast League ball was just a farce. In a doubleheader last Sunday at Wrigley Field, between Los Angeles and Oakland, there were 66 hits and 45 runs. In the first game alone there were 43 hits, 31 runs and only one error. This is pretty fantastic for Triple-A ball. I hope this little incident will help me prove my point. It surely made my convictions more stable.

### GOOD AND BAD

Len Leopold, last year's Sports Editor, is recovering from pneumonia in Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. Little Len got sick during his basic training in the Army . . . Last year's "All City" pigskinner Jim Salsbury received a very serious knee injury, practicing out U. C. L. A. way. He may have to have his knee operated on. If this is necessary Gentleman Jim will be out a good part of the 1952 season . . . Marty Baer, backstop of two years' ago baseball team, is now first-string catcher at S. M. C. C. . . . Another former Hamiltonian, Bill Hansard, is also an athletic star at the same school. In last Saturday's Cinderfest with Harbor J. C., he placed in six events and amassed 20 digits for a grand total that afternoon. Hamilton's tracksters could surely use him this year.

## Horsehidiers Humble Lions

Scoring four runs in the fourth inning the local horsehidiers beat the visiting Fairfax Colonialis 6-2. This is the second Yank victory in league play against four loses. Elliot Fagan pitched a three-hitter. This was the Yanks' best played game of the season.

The first run was scored by the visitors in the first inning. In the bottom half of the inning the Yanks came back with two quick hits with the first two men up. But they died on base.

After the first inning the Colonialis were held scoreless until the last inning. In the second inning the Bankers got one run on two errors. This was the first of many errors that the Fairfax ball club was to be charged with. Both teams were held scoreless in the third, but then came the big fourth inning. Abarta led off when he was safe on an error.

Merv Kopp then came through with a double to bring him round. Weiss was out, then Wagenseller was walked safe at second on a fielder's choice, then singled home. Altogether the Yanks scored four runs in that inning.

The locals scored one more in the sixth and the Colonialis one in the seventh. Outstanding hitters were Poston and Kopp, who together accounted for two-thirds of the Yank runs.

## Pride of Yankees

This week's Pride of the Yankees goes to Hamilton top-flight pole vaulter Ed Lafferty.

Ed is one of Hamilton's best bets in the Western and city meets. After finishing 5th in Western league last year, Ed has surpassed all expectations.

Last season he had a top height of 11'3" and already this year he came within an inch of the school record set by Pat Sullivan (S'49). Pat's vault record was 12'3 1/2"; Ed is close behind with 12'2 1/2". He has more than tripled his last year's total with 16 1/2 points. In the past four meets he has placed first twice and second twice.

Besides being a pole vaulter, Ed is a good runner competing in both the century and the relay. Coach Dave Patterson says, "Ed is one of the hardest workers on the team. He has improved greatly and I expect him to clear 12'6" by the end of the season." By the way, Ed is only a Junior and is due for another season. So good luck to you, Ed Lafferty, this week's PRIDE OF THE YANKEES.

P. S. Ed will be trying to break the school pole vault record today, when Hamilton faces Fairfax at Fairfax High. Be there-

## Noon Champs Perform As Real Noon Champs

The Noon Champs proved themselves truly the lords of the lunch court kingdom as they came to battle with the Dead Eye Dicks and emerged victorious, 33-21 last Tuesday. The Champs, under the leadership of Captain Ray Sinetar, and high-point man Glen Poston, jumped to an early lead and maintained it during the entire contest.

This championship tussle concluded a highly successful Noon League series.

Bob Burdick, (president of the Boys League, sponsor of these games), states:

"I'm very pleased with the cooperation displayed by the players, student body and faculty. It was a very successful season both in the terms of money and spirit."



UP AND OVER—Going over the bar at the 6-foot mark is Ronnie Wreesman. Ronnie is one of the kingpins in this year's varsity squad. Below, Wreesman may be seen a portion of the Dorsey championship track squad. Hamilton Photo by Barry Halpern

## Gondoliers Dunk Bankers; Cowdell's Mile Sets Pace

By JOE GROSSMAN

Hamilton lost its fifth straight track meet last Friday afternoon by going down to a 68 2/3-35 1/3 defeat at the hands of the Gondoliers of Venice. Highlighted by two upsets, and a man who placed in four events, the afternoon was a semi-success in that it furnished Yank Bob Cowdell with the fastest mile time in the Western League. His time in the four-lapper was 4:47.3, four seconds faster than his previous best.

The outstanding track man of the afternoon was Leon Clarke of Venice, who placed first in two events, a 23.4 two-twenty, and a 20 flat in the lows, which is the second fastest city time. A second to McMinn in the shot-put furnished a surprising upset. McMinn's put was 46-6 1/4, and Clarke's put fell a foot shorter. Clarke also placed as anchor man on the winning relay squad.

Ronnie Wreesman placed first in the century with a 10.4 clocking to better his season's best. He also placed second in a three-way tie for high jump and third in the low hurdles.

Complete varsity results follow:

- 100—1, Wreesman, (H); 2, McLendon, (V); 3, Lafferty, (H). Time: 10.4.
- 220—1, Clarke, (V); 2, Byrd, (V); 3, Gardner, (H). Time: 23.4.
- 440—1, McLendon, (V); 2, Trained, (H); 3, Huba, (H). Time: 53.7.
- 880—1, Byrd, (V); 2, Hunt, (H); 3, Forester, (H). Time: 2:06.1.
- Mile—1, Cowdell, (H); 2, Jackson, (V); 3, Lewis, (H). Time: 4:47.3.
- Low Hurdles—1, Clarke, (V); 2, Brown, (V); 3, Wreesman, (H). Time: 20.
- Highs: 1, Brown, (V); 2, Faw, (V); 3, Coutts, (H). Time: 15.1.
- Shot—1, McMinn, (H); 2, Clarke, (V); 3, Sherman, (V). Distance: 46-6 1/4.
- Pole Vault—1, Lafferty, (H); 2,

## Yanks Dim Comets

Although they almost threw away the game twice, the Hamilton baseball varsity managed to squeak through to an 8-6 victory over the Westchester Comets last Tuesday on a neutral field. The game, an eight-inning affair, was very sloppy, with the Bankers guilty of EIGHT errors and the Comets committing five.

Westchester drew first blood in the game, scoring with one run

## Al Boime Wins Cartoon Contest

Walker Brown, principal, was this week notified that Albert Boime, W'51, has won the First Annual Cartoon Contest sponsored by the Scholastic Sports Assoc. of Los Angeles Examiner.

Albert, who was well known for his clever cartoons at Hamilton, is now furthering his education at L. A. C. C.

in the first inning off starting pitcher Don Moore. They came back with two more in the second. However, the Feds countered with a three-run uprising in the third, making the score three-all.

Both teams scored in a riotous fifth. With two away and bases loaded, three straight errors were committed by the Feds, thus allowing three runs.

The Yanks scored once in the sixth, when, with two out, first sacker Merv Kopp stole home. And then came the fateful eighth for Westchester, when the Bankers scored two runs to ice up the clownish contest. With one out, relief chucker Elliott Fagan singled to right field. Kopp next lined a base knock to left field and as the left fielder booted it, Fagan raced home with the tie-breaking tally. Wally Aitken next man up, squeezed home Kopp, who had landed on third due to an error by the third sacker. This completed the scoring.

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## Hami Flexers Show in Finals

Converging at Dorsey High last Thursday, April 12, were 103 top gymnasts representing Los Angeles, Fairfax, Hamilton, Dorsey, and Venice high schools. The occasion was the Western League gymnastic meet.

Out of the 16 contestants representing Hamilton in the meet, seven came through to cop a medal in their respective fields, giving the locals a third place.

Taking top honors in the meet were Mark Linnex, Hamilton's pride and joy, taking a first-place gold medal on high bar and second place silver medal in the parallels; and Robin of Dorsey, taking a first on rings and a second on long horse.

Free Ex: Showing excellent muscle control and form, Gincig of Fairfax got the judges' nod for the first, and was followed by Solomon (F) second, Welch (H) third, Faber (LA) fourth, and Michael (F) fifth. Running score: (F) 15, (V) 4, (LA) 8, (D) 0, (H) 3.

Side Horse: Wuerker, L. A.'s side horse king, captured the gold medal, and was followed by "Gabby" Given (H) second. Green (F) took third, R. Talisky (H) fourth, Maziraw (F) fifth. Running score: (F) 19, (V) 4, (H) 9, (LA) 13, (D) 0.

High Bar: Mark Linnex (H), one of the city's finest high bar men, came through with flying colors and garnered a first place. He was followed by K. Cunningham (V) second, Francis (LA) third, Xanthos (V) fourth, and Mells (F) fifth. Running score: (F) 20, (V) 10, (H) 14, (LA) 16, (D) 0.

Parallels: The Gondoliers star gymnast, Tom Xanthos, far out-classed the other contestants in the parallels and garnered the first place medal. Mark Linnex and Bob Chelew came through with seven points for the Yankees, placing second and third respectively. Peppe and Solomon, both of Fairfax, followed Chelew in that order. Running score: (F) 23, (V) 15, (H) 21, (LA) 16, (D) 0.

Long Horse: Fairfax shone in this event as Mells came through with a first place. Robin of Dorsey took second, Urpin (H) third, McGlasson (V) fourth, and Foreman (F) fifth. Running score: (F) 29, (V) 17, (H) 24, (LA) 16, (D) 4.

Final score: (F) 38, (V) 32, (H) 25, (LA) 16, (D) 9.