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# OH! SUSANNA

## Musical to Show Next Week; Expect Capacity Audiences

It's almost here, Hamilton's annual spring musical! Just a few short days before the first big performance, which is slated for the afternoon of May 29. Tickets are going fast, for this year's musical, "Oh! Susanna," is expected to be one of the most spectacular that Hamilton has ever put on.

Mrs. Mabel Montague, drama teacher, and Mrs. Martha Abbott, music director, believe that this year's musical will be one of the finest they have ever produced, as they have some exceptionally fine talent. Alternating in the part of Stephen are Jim Hurst and Mike Hoey, whom you might

remember as Clarence in "Life With Father", and Benjamin Griggs, the lovable ghost in "But Not Goodbye".

Splitting the spotlight for the female lead will be Shirley Ely and Nancy Berkau as Jeannie.

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"OH! SUSANNA"—Score for the forthcoming spring musical was written by Miss Ann Ronnel, left, shown here going over music with Verne Martin, who will lead the orchestra, and Miss Martha Abbott, who is directing the choir for the gigantic production, largest ever attempted by Hamilton.

—Hamilton Photo By Nolan Kats.

## Photo Salon Commences Next Week Many Anticipated as Annual Event Opens Doors for Four-Day Run

### Senior Tea Finds Spartans Hosting Parents, Friends

Decked out in their finest apparel and proudly showing off their mothers at the Senior Tea, on Wednesday, were many members of the mighty Spartan class.

The program began with entertainment in the auditorium, highlighted by the singing of Bill Bostater and Carolyn Bass, while Rae Odell thrilled the audience with two dramatic readings from Romeo and Juliet. The program was under the able direction of Marilyn Garden, Mrs. Pauline Bogart, and their committee.

Following the program, the class and their mothers went to the cafeteria where refreshments were served, to complete the afternoon's activities. In keeping with the Spartan theme the cafeteria was decorated in green and white. June Jones directed the decoration committee of 21 members.

White cake with light green frosting, tea, nuts, and green and white mints made delightful refreshments for all. The refreshment committee was under the chairmanship of Pat Spyer with the help of Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney.

The other committees which had a hand in making the tea a success were the printing committee, with Vernita Cannon as chairman; publicity committee, Elaine Slater, chairman; and cleanup committee, Mervin Viner, chairman.

Two thousand visitors are expected when the scheduled photography salon opens its doors next week for a four-day run.

"The reason we expect so many," explains Mrs. Lois Vinetto, photography instructor, "is that this is our 10th annual salon."

This year 135 pictures will be hanging in the salon. There are also more Photography I students' pictures this year than there have been in the past, which fact shows an outstanding group of budding photographers.

The cover shot for this year's catalog was taken by Ray McCurdy W'42, a former Hamilton student, who was killed in a plane crash over Korea in March 1946, while in the service of his country. The picture is entitled, "No Dictators Here", and, in the opinion of the salon committee, this represents the ideals for which so many boys are living their lives today.

During the past week the salon committee took the pictures to the judges who picked their favorites. Announcement of the winners will not be officially made until the last day of the salon. As usual, the visitors attending the salon will have a chance to vote for their favorites. The visitors' votes will help toward the prizes, but there will be no special popularity award. The prizes, worth \$100, have been donated by local photography stores; the winners of these prizes will be determined by the number of ribbons they win.

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### Nineteen Girls Selected For First Ladies Society

Many a smile was seen last Tuesday when 19 girls were notified that they were new First Ladies.

The lucky girls selected from the A-11 class are Betty Jones, Andrea Blough, Barbara Silveira, Valerie Wright, Janet Brown, Pat Minton, Nancy Anderson, Donna Griffin, Gwen Price, Donna Bordeau, Jean Dalquist, Dolores Jaspersen, and Joyce Linsley. B-12 girls are Diane Woodburn, Sandy Koepf, Beryle Martin, Carol Winkler, Shirley Olson and Jo Ann Shoucl.

The new First Ladies are wearing their black sweaters as required by tradition. When they were notified, all the girls were very surprised and happy and some were too excited to eat the nice things prepared for them at the small tea party, on Tuesday, first period.

A Pot Luck dinner in the near future will also honor the new girls.

W'52 officers and new members will be installed on May 31.

### Hamilton House Classes Study Marketing, Buying

In all of Mrs. Leta Emmanuel's Hamilton House foods and home management classes the girls have been studying marketing and are learning to become thrifty buyers.

Many of the colorful labels taken off cans and decorating the bulletin boards at present have been carefully examined and found to have 15 items of interest to the buyer on them. These consist of brand, trademark, style, variety, suggestions, recipes, etc. The girls finally concluded that the average homemaker doesn't know how to make full use of this helpful information.

## EXCLUSIVE ELECTION RESULTS

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<b>TREASURERS:</b>		
Kathleen Heyler	Barbara Levinson	Peter A. Banks
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## Life in a Chinese Classroom Told By Student

By RONALD MIAO

The teacher, dressed in a gown of ancient grey, appeared suddenly from the rear doorway of the classroom. Bundled under his arm was a stack of books; and a conventional Chinese ruler, which is often used for other purposes than measuring.

As the gong had not yet sounded to end recess, the students were still busily engaged in their babbling. Upon the arrival of the teacher the whole class rose in perfect harmony; executed a full 45 degree bow, and resumed their seats without further conversation.

One of the chief differences between a Chinese classroom and that of another country, is that the Orientals recite their lessons all together, each reading his or her particular lesson. This excited chatter can be heard far off the school campus. While the recitations are still on, the teacher tries to explain to his pupils the lesson for the day.

In any classroom, there is, invariably, a select group of practical jokers. The Chinese students of a more mischievous nature like to shoot paper wads at one another by means of the rubber band. First, the rubber band is loaded, then shot at the victim, unusually aimed at the back of the neck or the arms. After the bullet has found its mark, the victim turns around, shakes his fist angrily at his attacker, and then a war is on. While these various activities are still in progress, the class is suddenly broken up by the deafening clash of the gong.

Wearily, the teacher picks up his books, and starts hurriedly away for another class.

## In Memoriam

By LEAH HANEY

In May there comes a special day  
 In which all people homage pay  
 To those who paid the final price,  
 The lives they gave in sacrifice.  
 The blood they shed for liberty,  
 The fight they fought to make us free,  
 How great these gifts—how deep the loss!  
 Reverse the name on each white cross.  
 Now, we've a job that we must do,  
 Left for the world to carry through;  
 It's up to us to maintain peace,  
 So they will not have died in vain.

## Jots From Judy

By JUDY CLARK

### CUPID SHOT HIS ARROW

at Babs Sterling last May 1, when she started showing off the third finger of her left hand where Bill Lusk had placed a beautiful engagement ring. Babs plans to take her wedding vows on July 14. Best of luck goes to both of you in the years ahead.



Judy Clark

### DINING AND DANCING

at the home of Marcia Goldberg last Friday night, we found Diane Colbert, Anita Richman W'51, Loretta Lee, Lorraine Rothstein, Rosalie Aronowitz, Rosalie Miller and Eileen Raskin all with their off-campus men.

### PARTY TIME IS FUN TIME!

at Doug Knight's (W'50) the Yankees having a ball were Bob Porteous W'50, Janet Le Becq, Marty Welch S'50, Diane Kaplan, Doug Knight, Gail Graham, Jim Flannery, Susie Brown, Bill Wilson, and Bob McMickle with their off-campus dates, Sharlene Lawson, Chuck Fox W'51, Roger Baker S'50, and Dianne Pellicciotti.

### PIC-A-NIC-ING AT THE PARK

Last Sunday at Griffith Park were the Debrea Debs holding their annual picnic. Those attending were Jo Anne Langwell, Margaret Nelson, Peggy Henderson, Jan March, Irene Watrous, Virginia Van-Wie and Carolyn Salchak, all having fun galore.

### POLICE SHOW

showed many people a hilarious time last Tuesday night at the Shrine Auditorium. Those laughing with the rest of the crowd were Carol Pini, Audrey Backman, Charlotte Brown, Diana La Beau and Nattie Vasquez.

### CANDLELIGHT DANCE

at the Racquet Club last Saturday night dancing to the mellow music of Dick Telane and his orchestra were Carleen Finney, Dave Shackelford, Carol Phillips, Jack Snyder, Eleanor Neilson, Mark Lennis, Betty McCracken, Dick Buell, Ann Shingleton, Dick Wagenseller, June Jones, Glen Poley, Nancy Anderson, Sandy Burns, Kathy Blake, Randy Paul, Beverly Reisman, Chuck Murray, Jo Ann Rutter, Gary Richardson, Nancy Porter, Bill Stewe, Judy Althouse, Lin Conger, Charlene Lacy, Roger Jacobson, Sally Freeze, Myra Lee Spencer and Joyce Hackett with off-campus men.

### HAVING A BALL AT A PARTY FOR ALL

at the Mickey Bradfield's last Friday night were Shirley Pollen, Chuck Perry, Mickey and Don Colburn, Diane Creeck, Bob Cook, Connie Cooper, Ronnie Scrima and Dixie Whipps with their off-campus men. Mickey was celebrating her 18th birthday that night.



## "That Those Who Died..."

"That those who died shall not have died in vain."

That those who live shall not live without remembering. Yes, that is Memorial Day, the day which through the years we have set aside to honor our war dead. At first it was just the Civil War dead, but then came the Spanish-American War, and later World War I was added to the list, then World War II, and now, even before the blood has dried on the battlefields, the Korean War must be added to the list.

The men who died in these wars were braver than any words can ever tell, for when they entered the wars they knew they might never return, and many of them did not return. To those men who gave their lives for us, we pay the greatest honors, even though that will never repay what they have done for us.

"That those who died shall not have died in vain..."

## OFF THE RECORD

By DON WHITE

When I was down at the KFI studios several weeks ago, the folks in their record department played for me a new disc done by Guy Mitchell, Mitch Miller, and his band. The new record is a folk melody, very much resembling "Tzena Tzena", a number they did last summer. This new one, "Cider Night", has the same quick rhythm and melody as its predecessor.

Look at the way "Too Young" has stormed the nation, will ya! In a few short weeks it has climbed the ladder into the fourth spot, and by the time you have read this it will probably be higher. Nat "King" Cole has stolen the show as to record sales, this being his really big hit since his "Mona Lisa" in the latter part of last summer. "Too Young" would equal, if not excel his performance of last year.

A few weeks ago I mentioned Frankie Laine's recording of "Jezebel", I failed to mention that on the reverse side of this Columbia platter there's a song, which, although not quite as good as Jezebel, is still good enough, namely: "Rose, Rose, I Love You"; Laine does this one too, with the support of the Norman Luboff choir.

This week's Top Tune of Tomorrow is another folk song. Both Dennis Day and Patti Page have recorded this tune and it should go a long way; "Mr. and Mississippi"! Just opening on Broadway, New York, is a new musical, entitled "The King and I". This new production is written by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein, who have turned out such musical hits as, "Oklahoma", "Carousel", "State Fair", and "Annie Get Your Gun".

## Orchids to You

This week's orchid winner is a lad who has been very outstanding in the field of entertainment here at Yankeeville. Since entering Hamilton in the B10 from Louis Pasteur, Mr. X, has been in all the school plays as "Life With Father", "Meet Me in St. Louis" and is starring in "Oh! Susanna." Mr. X, along with being popular and well liked around Hamilton's campus has given his services gladly to the Rally Committee for three semesters, the Thrift Commit-

tee, and the Naturalist Club along with being on Play rProductions. The Boys Service Club another of Mr. X's activities where he showed splendid leadership. Mr. X is known for his friendliness and his polite manner, never going without a smile on his face or a hello for everyone. One way to identify Mr. X is, he is one of the well famed team "Clark and Sanelli". Now in his Senior year as a Spartan, Mr. X does everything that is possible to maintain the reputation and good standard of Alexander Hamilton. If you are in doubt who this very deserving person is, look elsewhere in the Federalist for Sada's Ad.



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# Math Contestants 'Oh! Susanna' Here Soon

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## In LACC Exams

Representing Hamilton in the William B. Orange Mathematics Prize Competition at L.A.C. C. today are two teams, each composed of three boys, the maximum amount of competitors allowed each school.

The first team is comprised of Hyman Bass, Stanley Grotch, and Dick Wagenseller; the second, Jerry Freeman, Phil Berger, and Gerald Nelter.

Topics included will be those covered in high school Algebra, Plane Geometry, and Trigonometry. After the written examination, refreshments are in store for the contestants.

A bronze plaque with each of the names of the winning team on it will be awarded to their school. There are also 18 individual prizes ranging from first prize of a wonderful Trigonometry slide rule and \$25 in cash to the last ten prizes of Mathematics, Chemistry, and Physics handbooks.

Greta Teter and Margaret Hajelan will portray the part of Aunt Augusta.

"Jim Hurst has one of the finest voices I have ever encountered in high school", states Mrs. Abbott.

Little Susy will be played by Diane Kapplan. Don Clark, the kindhearted villain from "But Not Goodbye", will be playing Christy. Hylton Socher is cast in the part of Willie. The part of Richard, Stephen Foster's rival, will be portrayed by Conrad Framer. Lee Whiting will be seen in the part of Dr. McDowell. Vicke Robinson is Melinda, and Alan Bobler will do the part of Mayor Foster. The part of Dingle will be played by Bill Bostater, Jessup by Duane Dorman, Lassie by Bill Hall, and Clem by Eddie Sotto.

There will be four performances of the musical. On May 29 and 31. It will be shown to the student body during 5th and 6th Thursday, and Tuesday 3rd and 4th periods. Evening performances are scheduled for June 1 and 2 at 8:15 p.m.

"Oh, Susanna," a humorous musical, was written by Miss Ann Ronell, and is based on the life of Stephen Foster, America's popular composer and author of the famous "Old Black Joe", "Oh! Susanna", "Old Folks At Home", "Jeannie With

The Light Brown Hair", and many more.

Stephen Foster, who most of his life wavered between illness and dreary dissipation, had many plays and musicals written about him, but they all are dreary stories dealing with his years of martyrdom. In "Oh! Susanna," Miss Ronnell got away from this idea, and assembled her musical to catch the days when the happy-go-lucky Foster could be seen down on the riverfront, where he would catch scraps of tunes from passing boatmen, camp-meeting shouters, and itinerant musicians, fiddling their way down the "O-h-o".

Although many of the familiar songs will be heard, the author of the musical has discovered, amongst Foster's some 800-odd songs, some little known music which she has revised.

With a little altering in some of the songs, Miss Ronnell has made it possible to acquaint the public with the best parts of "Louisiana Belle", "Laura Lee", "Jenny's Comin' O'er the Green", "If You've Only Got A Moustache", and many other less familiar melodies.

Remember that Mom and Dad will enjoy a good stage show without having to go downtown. Bring the whole family, for children as well as adults will enjoy this laugh-filled musical. Adult tickets will be 75c; children (under 12) 30 cents.

## Speech Contest Featured at Hamilton

Today is a busy day for Hamilton's Speech League, many public speaking and drama students, and over a dozen Hamilton teachers. This is the day of the annual Intra-Scholastic Speech Tournament. This tournament will take place at Hamilton before the classes of the teachers who act as judges. Among the teachers who are acting in this capacity are Mrs. Sylvia Gaustad, Mrs. Marjorie Bruce, Miss Nora McNeese, Joseph Weston and Miss Minna Mae Lewis.

Hamilton is to be host to a group of Speech students from L.A.C.C., who are acting as judges also. The events will include Extemporaneous Speaking, Humorous Declamation, Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Poetry, and Oral Reading. Speech, particularly intra-school speech, is of great value, and this contest will give even the more inexperienced orators a chance at winning beautiful medals that will be awarded to the first and second place winners.

Joyce Brotsky, N.F.L. and Speech League president stated, "The contest is one of the biggest of its kind in Speech League history, and today when your classes are visited by these speakers, please cooperate in every way possible, because only with the cooperation of every Hamiltonian can this tournament really be a success."

## Yankee Girls, Teachers Visit Biltmore Hotel For 'Career Commencement'

The "Fourth Annual Career Commencement" at the Biltmore Hotel, Thursday, May 12, found 17 girls and 2 teachers from Hamilton lucky enough to attend this event sponsored by the Downtown Business Men's Association. Starting at 8:00, the girls enjoyed a Business Machine Show, Conference Sessions and a wonderful luncheon in the Biltmore Bowl.

Participating in the fashion show were Joyce Bjerre and Corrine Harris. Experimenting with business machines were Margaret Hajelan, Frances Savole, and Diane Stanton. Working on the reception committee at the commencement were Beryle Martin, Diane Harris, and Vinette Rippel, with Miss Anna Neft, chairman of the committee.

Other girls attending were June Jones, Margie Margolis, Marsha Sloan, Betty Atwood, Margaret Kergaard, Rosalie Fischer, Ann Shingleton, Joanna De Berse, and Joan Reckaway. Mrs. Shirley Williams also represented Hamilton.

Entertainment was provided by Frank Lovejoy and Eddie Bracken.

At 4:30 came the end of a wonderful day for 17 happy girls.

Miss Neft states, "Many students expect to receive jobs after graduating through contact with the Downtown Business Men's Association."

## Photo Salon Near

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Monday, May 26, the salon will be closed for the press preview. For the past several years many downtown and local community papers have sent photographers and reporters to cover the preview of the salon.  
Mrs. Vinette and the salon committee cordially invite the public to attend and also the teachers to come and bring their classes any time except periods three and four on Monday. The salon will be open May 28, 29, 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; the evening of May 29, 7-9, and Memorial day from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon.

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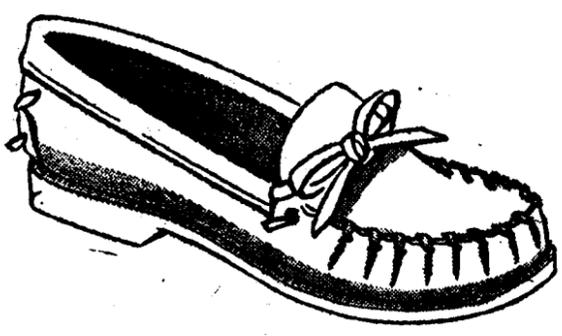
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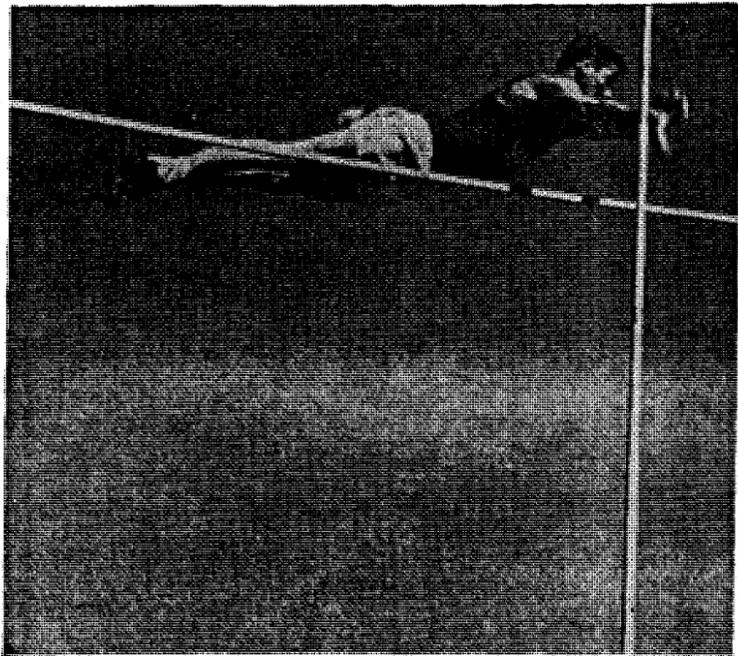
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**NO SKY HOOKS HERE**, as Ed Lafferty, Hamilton champion pole vaulter clears the bar at twelve feet to capture a fifth for himself and his Alma Mater, in the City Track Finals held in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum last Friday night. Ed tied with four other high school vaulter for fifth place, and is pictured above at the conclusion of his twelve-foot vault.

—Star-News photo

## Letters to Be Presented Tonight in Student Cafe

With Spring Sports at a close, tonight marks the 19th annual Spring Sports Banquet, to be held this year at the cafe. The speaker will be Coach Bus Sutherland.

The local teams have been only slightly successful. In track, only one meet was won, and that was to an undermanned team from Westchester. Two men were sent to the city finals, Bob Cowdell and Lafferty. Lafferty grabbed a fifth spot in pole vault.

Although he did not reach the city finals, mention should be made of one of the most all-around men Hamilton will ever see—Ronnie Wreesman. He scored in everything but shot put, the 880 and the mile.

Other letterman are Bob Collins, Bob Cowdell, Chuck Coutts, Stan Forrester, Fred Gardner, Walt Huhn, Lenny Hunt, Ed Lafferty and Bob Trano. The stand-out for the Bees was Gary Sowell who took first in the city in pole vault. Bee Letterman include Sherman, Krehbiel, Rehmar, Sowell, Troop, and Urpin. Cees Clyde Brooks, Jim Dollinger, Herb Kebre, Jack Norblem, Leigh Palmer, Paul Saboff, Richard Reid, Marv Sugarman, and Joe Volpe also lettered.

The gym team finished in a three-way tie for first, but lost out in the finals. The stand out man was Mark Linnes, whose fine work gave him a second place in the city on high bar. Lettermen were Shep Alhm, Bob Chelew, Paul Dallons, Chuck, Dick and Jim Flannery, Mike Freebarn, Dick Given, Bob Henry, Walt Keen, Alan Mermelstein, Jerry Porter, Grant Propper, Mayo Steigler,

Ron Talsky, Paul Urpin, Dennis Welch, Capt. Mark Linnes and Donn Allen, manager.

Tennis was most successful with the team winning its first matches in several years of existence. Lettermen were Neville Winters, Singer, Shaw, Babagen, Grossman, Johnson in the singles. Appelle-Curtis, Ostler-D. Faulkner in the Doubles.

Baseball had its ups and downs. At first the team had a little trouble but then they settled down. They won their last four games in a row, plus two in the Dorsey Tournament. In the league they finished third. The most valuable man on the team was Elliot Fagan, who set a new record for wins by a Yankee pitcher. He ended the season with a 7-2 record.

Lettermen were Mike Abarta, Marv Snyder, Don Moore, Glenn Poston, Merv Kopp, Elliott Fagan, Wally Aitken, Myles Weiss, Gary Richardson, and Paul Martin.

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## Pride of Yankees

This week's Pride of the Yankees goes to one of our outstanding students of Hamilton's basketball team and tennis team. He is well liked by both his comrades and his competitors, and he is very eager to get ahead. He has earned his letter in both Bee and Varsity basketball in his well played position as center. He is noted for his fast-spring action and very excellent high-jumping.

He is very highly talked about by all the coaches and team-mates. Coach Dave Peterson said that he only wished that he had another term to go. As Mr. Patterson stated "I hate to lose him."

Although Mr. X is a A-12 now he still has some tennis left to play. Mr. X is also a three year letterman in tennis and competed in the city finals with Bill Shaw. Doing very well in both of these sports, in which he came along very fast, he is still and always will be one of Hamilton's top athletes. If you haven't guessed who this top man is by now, we'll tell you although Mr. X hasn't ever received much credit or publicity Federalist Sports Staff is proud to announce this week's "Pride of the Yankees", as NEVILLE WINTERS. Good Luck, Neville, and keep up this good work.

## E. Lafferty, Ace Vaulter, Ties for Fifth in City Track Meet at Coliseum

Ed Lafferty brought home the bacon for Hamilton, Friday night as he tied for fifth place in the city finals at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

Ed tied for fifth with four other high school athletes with a pole vault of twelve feet. The winning vault was twelve feet, eleven inches.

In the Bee and Cee finals held the previous day, Gary Sowell bestowed honors upon himself and Hamilton by tying for first in the Bee pole vault with a vault of eleven feet, three inches.

Paul Saboff racked up a fourth in the Cee shot put with a put of fifty feet and one-half inch, while Clyde Brooks garnered a sixth and a medal in the Cee century sprint.

## Hamilton Golfers Have Banner Year in Sport

Despite the absence of this sport for many years, Hamilton has come through, this semester, with one of the finest golf teams in the entire Los Angeles area.

An added handicap is the lack of a regular league, which forces the Yankee golfers to engage teams located throughout the entire county, such as San Fernando, Canoga Park, Pasadena,

Beverly Hills, Torrance, Montebello, and Inglewood, which composed this season's opponents. However, the team ran into little if any competition, with the exception of Beverly and Montebello, each of which were victorious by a scant two points.

This leaves the championship golf team, Inglewood, yet unaccounted for. The story is short and to the point. Out of three encounters, the score reads Hami, one; Inglewood, one, and one tie.

Dave Westaway, who is doing an excellent job of sponsoring the boys, has to say:

"Inglewood is the league champ, and we stack up as well as they do, which makes us one of the leading teams in the area."

The team itself is sparked by Don Thornton, considered to be the best consistently good high school golfer in this area. He is followed closely by Ch. Brassard, also very good, and shooting in the low seventies. The remainder of this outstanding team consists of Alan Casbier, Sherwin Tarsky, David Felber, Bob Hume, and Jerry Mook.

## Cees, Dees Open Practice

Practice for Hamilton's mighty mites, the Yank Cee and Dee basketball teams started last Monday. Coached by Claude Turley, and his assistants 'Dick' Roberts, "Rocky" Steiner, and Bob Bernstein, the Cees and Dees, both of whom are defending Western League champs, figure to be right up there in league competition. With a goodly amount of potential dynamite in their ranks the Cees look particularly good with Sorkin, Rosenfield, Lucas, Light, Luckermam, Nolan, Sanford, Block and Katz.

The Dees are somewhat lacking in power right now. There are only four men out for the team. Dee's returning are Miltonberger and Dave Swartz.

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