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THE HOME FRONT—is represented by Actress Barbara Bates, visited recently on her studio set by Hamilton R. O. T. C. Cadets Wally Aitken (left) and Ronald Barbach. The visit was in connection with the American Legion's

Allied Post Americanism Dinner meeting held recently at the Ambassador Hotel. Civic and military leaders numbering more than 600 attended this annual affair.

—Citizen-News Photo.

ROTC Awards Presented to Outstanding Yank Cadets

Medals and ribbons were awarded to eight cadets of the Hamilton Reserve Officers Training Corps during Field Day on May 22. These awards were presented for excellence in various fields and in character traits of the cadets.

Cadet Staff Sgt. Irwin Jacobs received the Veterans of Foreign Wars medal for Outstanding Citizenship. The award was presented by Cal Jones of the V.F.W.

Outstanding Cadet Officers Medal for Scholastic Standing and Leadership Ability went to Cadet Captain Charles M. Wright. Tom Mullern, representing the American Legion Post 46, presented the award.

The Manual of Arms Drill Medal was awarded by Cheviot Hills No. 501 to Cadet Sergeant Jack Jolley. Ben Nelson, past commander of Post No. 46, made the presentation.

Major Lloyd Wade, USA retired, presented Cadet Private Edward Lee with the Manual of Arms Drill Down Award for Privates.

E. G. Thompson, boys' vice-principal, awarded the outstanding bandsman with a medal. This bandsman is Cadet Corporal Steve Leri.

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Coveted Spanish Medal Awarded to Esther Uzel

Esther "Estrellita" Uzel has won the medal for the most outstanding achievement in Spanish. This medal was presented to "Estrellita" by the National Association of Teachers of Spanish who sponsored the contest.

Two classmates of Esther's were right on her heels. These clever Hamiltonians were David Carlberg and Robert Housman. In fact, the competition was so close that Senorita Anita Risdon, their teacher, stated, "I was glad I did not have to pick a winner between these three outstanding students."

The contest consisted of three separate tests. The most difficult of these was to write a composi-

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'Oh! Susanna' Has Audience Singing

This year's spectacular musical, 'Oh, Susanna', will reach its climax tonight and tomorrow. Last Tuesday's performance, during 5th and 6th periods, began the series of four shows and left an audience singing, whistling and humming the melodies of Stephen Foster's lively and joyful songs.

The actors and singers, who, in some scenes filled the entire stage, were beautifully and appropriately dressed in colorful and gay costumes.

The setting is one of the finest and most realistic Hamilton has had on her stage in a long time. The set pictured a scene very typical of the day and age, when traveling minstrels could be found working their way up and down the O-hi-o", stopping at all the small towns along the River.

Thursday's 3rd and 4th period performance was well attended as Tuesday's. Both acting and singing were excellent in both performances.

With just two performances left, those of tonight and Saturday at 8:15 p.m.—tickets are selling fast.

If you want to see this gigan-

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Tenth Annual Photo Show Draws Enthusiastic Crowd

'Oh! Susanna' Composer Pleased by Yankee Cast

"... and I feel that an excellent job is being done by all those concerned with the Hamilton production of 'Oh! Susanna' commented Miss Ann Ronell, renowned music director and composer, in an exclusive Federalist interview, last Thursday.

With a toss of her golden hair, and a smile that would put any Pepsodent ad to shame, Miss Rodnell went on, stating, in effect, that since she had originally written the "Oh! Susanna" score for a small minstrel band and two pianos, she was quite impressed by the large orchestra, chorus, and cast.

As we walked toward Waidelich Hall immediately following a rehearsal of all the musical groups in the production, where Miss Ronell modestly injected her comments, and made suggestions concerning the manner in which several technicalities should be handled, her many achievements were manifest, and the impression augmented of her captivating personality. Ann Ronell's accomplishments range from the writing of musical scores, such as for "The Story of G. I. Joe", the Marx Brothers' latest hit "Love Happy" and "Oh! Susanna", to the popular songs, such as "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?" and "Willow Weep for Me" (popularized by Stan Kenton).

A native daughter, Miss Ronell lives at present on a ranch in San Fernando Valley, and is soon to assume the supervision of the music for the film version of "Oh! Susanna".

OH! SUSANNA — Mike Hoey, as Stephen Foster, and Shirley Ely, as Jeanie, are shown here in a romantic moment in the gigantic musical being presented at Hamilton. Two more performances are scheduled.

—Hamilton Photo
By Loren Fronk

The climax of the 10th annual photo salon came yesterday when the winners of the photo exhibit were announced and ribbons were awarded.

Terry Meade, prominent senior aye, is in undisputed first place in the salon exhibit, with five winning pictures. He received three blue and five red ribbons. Taking second place in the exhibit was Stan Haberman, with four winners. Stan won three blue ribbons and three red ribbons. In third place was Harvey Shore, with three blue ribbons.

Others who won more than one ribbon, in the exhibit, were Ron Chandler, Eloise Osborn, and Lyle Swanson. Lyle made his high score on one picture, "Over by Inches", and was awarded ribbons by three judges. Two blue and one red ribbon make it the high point winner of the contest. A close second is "Laughing Cat" by Stan Haberman, which won recognition from three judges in the form of a blue and two red ribbons. Incidentally, "Laughing Cat" was one of the pictures awarded a first place in the Scholastic National Competition, and was awarded, also, a prize of \$100.

Four red ribbons were won by first semester photography students. This is the best record ever made by beginners. The photo ones to be congratulated are John Kerr, Gerald Minear, Don Belrstock, and Richard Perlman.

There were 135 pictures, divided into four classes for the judging, and five competent judges who acted individually in the judging. Each judge awarded a first and second prize. Thirty different pictures were given prizes which indicates a wide range of preference. Of the 30, two pictures received awards from three judges, and six from two judges.

During the four days of the salon itself, except for periods three and four on Monday reserved for the press preview, the photo shop was packed. Everyone walked around trying to
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See M. Hoey Tonight, J. Hurst Sat. in 'Susanna'

News Briefs

By CARLEEN FINNEY

HI TALENT

High Talent Battle was over last Wednesday. It left many indignant Yankees who watched a superb Yankee team lose to Manual Arts. Although Manual Arts' team was very good, it was the opinion of many people that Hamilton, who lost by one point, had a definite edge over their opponents.

The pride and joy of Hamilton, The Harmonaires, scored 41 points for their "Two Blocks Down" and Barbara Jurin received 43 points for her thrilling piano selection. High point winner of the night was Hamilton's Eleanor Hinkston who walked off with 45 points for perfection on the violin. Last, but not least, was Jim Hurst singing "It Ain't Necessarily So". The judges gave Jim 43 points, making Hamilton's total 172.

For the second time in a year Hamilton lost on High Talent Battle. Many Yankees would like to know what they have against Hamilton.

NEW CLUB AT HAMILTON

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 being a "Ham," this is the club for you.

JOURNEY TO WILSHIRE-EBELL

Many students from Mrs. Sylvia Gaustad's Public Speaking classes accompanied by Mrs. Gaustad, journeyed to the Wilshire-Ebell Auditorium last week to hear the finalists in the Hearst Oratorical Contest. Steve Lotterman, Claudell Whitehurst, Pat Jackson, Frances Flake, Bob Hubble, Arlene Wibe, and Mike Cornwell all agreed that it was an excellent program. It was highlighted by the appearance of Charles Laughton, who recited the "Gettysburg Address" to an enthralled audience.

AUTO SHOP—

Several automobile wheels, motor blocks, and transmissions have been loaned to the Hamilton auto shop through the courtesy of Washington High School and their auto shop teacher. The various pieces of equipment will be used to teach the students the way to repair and replace worn parts. The parts will only be available for three weeks, so the students will have to learn as much as they can in that time.

HORIZON CLUB—

Now that the Algonquins is an active Horizon club many activities are being planned. The membership is open to any girl who is willing to abide by the club constitution. Membership consists of not less than 10, and not more than 35 members. Mrs. Gertrude Addison is at present the club sponsor.

A BELL AT LAST

The well known "Room Without," Aud. M has acquired a bell. The students of Graham Harris jump when a shrill unsuspecting sound rings through the room. What will be next? Who knows, it may even be a clock.

Time Slipping By

"Absence makes the heart grow fonder." Is that not true? Well, it surely fits all right. It isn't any fun to sit through class having to guess how long you have before you can get up and leave and how long you've been sitting in the same seat. You either have to be a mind-reader or a person with a good imagination.

It makes us feel very bad because they have been so faithful for so long, then just three weeks before school comes to an end and they go on strike. Even though they went on strike, a very mysterious thing happened over one night—an hour passed! Did the clocks decide to run and change their minds again or did time just slip by? That's the question.

Orchids to You

This week's winner of the beautiful Sada Orchid is one of the most deserving Spartans. Miss X, since her arrival at Hamilton, has done everything in her power to make her school one that everyone would be proud of. Miss X has participated in all the various school services, as the Senior Tea, plants and grounds committee, has worked in school and after school on the Sadie Hawkins Dance and the Cotton Day Dance and many other activities where she has received little recognition.



Along with her school work which keeps her quite busy, Miss X has given her leadership willingly and gladly on the Girls' League Council for three semesters, also on Girls' League Cabinet for two semesters, where in her B12 semester she served as Girls' League vice-president and is at present our Girls' League president. She is also a First Lady.

Miss X, is the kind of person who seems as if she never tires of doing things for other people. If anyone is yet in doubt who this deserving Miss is, look elsewhere in the Fed for Sada's Ad, there you will find the name of this very deserving miss.

Alumni Album

By DIANNE PELLICIOTTI and NANETTE IVES

Going To School—

Al Bolme, W'51, is going to U.C.L.A. and is writing a high school sports column in his spare time.

Herb Zitzman, W'46, is going to U.C.L.A. and studying commercial art.

Bob Donald, W'51, is taking up an engineering course at U.S.C.

Diane Darling, W'51, is at U.S.C.

Diane Walls, S'50, is attending U.C.L.A.

At S.M.C.C. is Don Cunningham, S'50.

With The 40th In Japan Are Many Former Yanks—

When the Culver City National Guard Division was called to active duty last month many alumni were alerted. Here are only a few:

Don Vasques, Paul Scott, S'50, Richard Dear, W'50, Gene Marion, S'48, Earl Keefer, S'47, John U'Harriet, Herb Rimling-Marion Davis S'49.

Dick Krusemark, S'47, bronzed and smiling arrived from Korea last May 14 on the St. Paul, and visited Hamilton the same day.

'Estrellita' Wins Medal

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tion on a given topic, without the use of a dictionary or any grammar guide. The topic this year was, "If I were to take a Trip to Spain."

The second part of the test was to carry on a real conversation in Spanish, finally to be able to read fluently, know formal grammar, and have a large vocabulary.

The contest was judged by Senora Maria Jimenez de Capriles, wife of the president of the Latin American Consular Association.

Senorita Risdon remarked confidentially that 'Estrellita', the only feminine contestant won the vocabulary test by getting in the last word!

Jots From Judy

By JUDY CLARK

A BANG-UP KNIGHT FOR THE MAROON AND WHITE

at the Red Stables last Saturday night, dancing to juke box music in the barn, following a hay fight in the wagons, were Mari-jane Bodum, Jave Crawley, Ann Leahy, Don Sanelli, Gail Graham, Walt Keen, Judy Clark, Mark Linnes, Gaylene Cardoza, Bill Mabry, Mickey Donahue, Howard Moran, Judy Althouse, Lyn Conger, Ann Sidebotham, Jerry Porter, Theresa Lurch, Jim Dooley, Sherry Haifley, Barney Bernard, Jo Ann Ruter, Gary Richardson, Cissy Grant, Don Snow, JoAnn Reeves, Danny Peterson, Pat Payson, Dick Buell, Eleanore Neilson, Tom Satchell, Joanie Holter and Bob Briscoe all having one "big ball."



Judy Clark

WERE THEY SLEEPING?

This is a question to which the answer is "No." Last Saturday night, Ginger Mattison was hostess to a very wide-awake slumber party, guests being Delores Jacobson, Margo Bergi, JoAnn Zagalia, Gail Finch, Pat Thorn and Marion Dobson.

SWEET SIXTEEN

were the words that Peter Hochberg, Trudy Fitterman, Bernie Friedman, Judy Klaskin, Sheldon Dienststein, Dick Shulman, Nancy Polin, Joe Charlin and Marion Schlesinger sang to Lucienne Kahn last Saturday night in helping her celebrate her birthday.

ON THE SANDS OF MALIBU

last Sunday we found Wanda Shorman, Norman Tabor, Elaine Shorman, Margie Igo, Helen Igo, Gene Tabor, Margie Parkins, Bob Cornet, Frieda Smith, Sally Koshkelin, Lois Beasterfield, Dick Church, Richard Carpenter, Paul Tjayer, Paul Broberg, Lou Ann Jenkins, Judy Hicks, Pat Hurley and Marlene Weidman all enjoying the rays of ol' Sol.

A SOCIAL NIGHT FOR ALL SOCIAL TWIRLERS

at the home of Merle Slaten last Tuesday found Rosalie Brown, Sherry Lynch, Barbara Friesch, Marlene Millins, Judy Beckman, Joan Ghmese, Frances Adler, Lyn Rckster, Phyllis Rosenberg and Vivian Ghrester, all having the time of their lives.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

A surprise birthday party was given to Diane Le Beau by her friends, Chris Brown and Carol Pini, at Chris' home. Some of the guests helping Diane celebrate were Claire Vargas, Shirley Ely, Carol Franklin, Ginny Paltriac, Edith Brown and many others, made the day complete.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING

Wedding bells will sound June 16 for Barbara Halliburton A-11, who is going to exchange vows with Chuck Adams. May the best of luck throughout both your lives go with you wherever you go.

Former 'Hoosier' Reveals Past

By JUDY KLASKIN

When asked where she was born, Mrs. Sylvia K. Gaustad answered, "I'm a Hoosier. I was born in Indiana." However, this soft-speaking, friendly instructor came to California in time to go to the University of Southern California and to graduate from there. If Mrs. Gaustad were not a teacher, she would like to spend all her time traveling. She and her family took a trip to Europe and were there for 11½ months. They spent 5 1-2 of those months in Norway. The worst experience that Mrs. Gaustad had on the trip was crossing the North Sea, because it was so rough all the way across.

Mrs. Gaustad teaches Public Speaking I and II, and also English, A-10 and B-11. The two schools that she taught at before coming to Hamilton were Dorsey high school and Virgil junior high. She says that she likes Hamilton best of all of the schools at which she has taught.

Her favorite food is the pie that is served in the school cafeteria at Hamilton. Her hobby is flowers, but she says that you would never know it to look at her meager garden. This reporter happens to know, also, that once you get on the subject of painting a house and what colors to use, Mrs. Gaustad will join in the conversation most willingly.

When her husband and children paint, she says that she is always right there to give advice. She loves to cook and is always on the lookout for new or foreign dishes. Like most women, she doesn't especially like the thought of cleaning house.

Mrs. Gaustad is very proud of her three children, just as any parent is proud of his or

her children. She has a daughter, Rondi, who goes to Emerson high school, another daughter, Sonia, who goes to Emerson junior high, and a son, Johnny, in grammar school. Both Sonia and Rondi play in the California Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Little Johnny isn't interested in the fine arts yet. Being a typical nine-year-old American boy, his only interest at present time is baseball.

There you have a thumbnail sketch of Mrs. Gaustad and her family. The easiest way to recognize Mrs. Gaustad is to look for a teacher who always brightens her costumes with gay, colorful flowers.

OFF THE RECORD

By DON WHITE

Good records come, and good records go, bad records come, and they also go. But in the final analysis, it's the song with the right artist and plenty of plugging that makes the grade. Oh, yeah, there are those that argue that any good song will go over no matter who the artist. You've got to show me. Almost any of the songs Frankie Laine made famous, wouldn't have a chance of survival if recorded by another artist: examples, "Lucky Old Sun" and "Wild Goose". If you've heard "Too Young" done by any one else other than Nat King Cole, I think you'll see what I mean.

Point number two, plugging. I've seen, in my estimation,

some pretty good songs never get anywhere simply because certain disk jockeys didn't play them as frequently as they might have; exhibit "A", Eddie Fischer's "Bring Back The Thrill", a really fine song; exhibit "B", "The Jalopy Song" by Frankie Laine—very little plugging, hence, no hit. On the other hand the opposite is true. The professional platter pushers will grab hold of a mediocre song, such as "Old Soldiers Never Die", and make a big thing out of it. Jerry Gray's "Sound Off", is no gem either.

Mitch Miller and company have a new folk song out, which I believe is good enough to rate Top Tune of Tomorrow, namely "My Truly Fair".

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THE CAT WAS LET OUT OF THE BAG—when awards were announced yesterday at the 10th Annual Photo Salon. John Kerr, the Photo I student who took this remarkable picture, "Cat in the Bag," was rewarded with a red ribbon, one of the 40 prizes awarded, and was

named one of the four Photo I students to win red ribbons. Advanced photography students took the remaining prizes, with Terry Meade and Stan Haberman copying first and second high point honors. Thirty different pictures received awards from five judges.

Outstanding Students Win Bank Achievement Awards

The fourth annual Bank of America Achievement Awards were presented at the Board of Education Headquarters on Fort Hill last Thursday, May 17. These Achievement Awards are given for superior scholarship, leadership, and citizenship and are awarded in four fields: math-science, fine arts, liberal arts and vocational arts.

More than 600 trophies and \$7400 are given annually for students to provide a stimulus for students to strive for bigger and better things. The finalists were awarded prizes ranging from \$50 to \$1000 for their efforts.

Cafeteria Club Holds Installation

On Wednesday, May 16, Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney entertained, at dinner, the Cafeteria Managers Club. This club consists of approximately 60 senior and junior high school cafeteria managers.

Haig Koobatian decorated the Hamilton cafeteria with beautiful floral arrangements which gave a nice atmosphere for the delicious chicken dinner.

The purpose of the dinner was the annual installation of officers. The officers for next year will be president: Mrs. Kemyoien of L.A. high; vice-president, Mrs. Ava Anderson of North Hollywood high; treasurer, Mrs. Stenues of Sutter Junior High; secretary, Mrs. Helen Robinson of John Muir; recording secretary, Mrs. England of Virgil Jr. high and luncheon chairmen Miss Lee Feber of Jefferson high.

After dinner Vern Martin's String Quartet entertained with special music.

Special guests that attended were Principal Walker Brown, Mrs. Gertrude Addison, Edward Thomson, senior secretary school supervisors, Miss Crane and Miss Crosier, and Food Analyst, Mrs. Ruby Lowe.

Following the dessert, Walker Brown introduced Miss Florence Crosier who installed the officers.

First place winners of \$1,000 each were Ellen Durva, University, fine arts; Jerome L. Goldberg, Hollywood, vocational arts; Hugh E. Lester, Hollywood, Math-Science; and Curt L. Owen, Eagle Rock, liberal Arts.

Twenty-one Hamilton students accompanied by Mrs. Eugenia Snelson, attended the presentation.

The speakers at the Board of Education Auditorium included Dr. Alexander J. Stoddard, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Louis H. Evans, Minister at the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood; Walter J. Braunschweiger, Executive Vice-President of the Bank of America; and G. Millager Montgomery, Associate Superintendent of the City schools.

The principal speaker was Dr. Louis H. Evans, who talked about succeeding in life, and practical application of knowledge.

The Madrigal Singers of Belmont High School provided the entertainment for the crowd of over 1000 people.

Hamilton French Students Join in UCLA Celebration

The U.C.L.A. campus welcomed several of Hamilton's French students last week as the University at Westwood began its two-day celebration of the two-thousandth anniversary of Paris.

The committee on Drama, Lectures and Music and the Department of French began the occasion on May 31 at 8 p.m. in Royce Hall. M. Raoul Bertrand, Consul General of France at Los Angeles gave a short address on "The 2000th Anniversary of Paris," followed by a film and lecture by famed traveler, Burton Holmes.

The next event that most concerned Hamilton's French students was a tea at Kappa Alpha Theta House, announcing the regional prizes in French.

Mrs. Carolyn Clifton, French teacher, feels that although the majority of the students have never visited France, the anniversary of this famous city, which is older than the Christian era, should be of more than usual interest to them.

Reward R.O.T.C.

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1476, made the Rifle Marksmanship Award. Mr. Barnes, representing the V.F.W., presented this medal to Cadet Sergeant Ronald Barbach.

Major Paul Mueller presented two awards. Cadet Staff Sergeant Irwin Jacobs won Outstanding Non-Commissioned Officer Medal for Scholastic Standing and Leadership Ability, and the Outstanding Graduating Cadet Officer Medal for Scholastic Standing and Administrative Ability was Cadet Major Barry Marlin.

Cadet Lieutenant Larry Patterson received the Outstanding Service Award Medal for service to the Hamilton R.O.T.C. unit.

"First Ladies" Installed at Tea; June Jannagin Accepts Presidency

Photo Salon Closes

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see the pictures over the heads of the crowd. As usual, the visitors had a chance to vote for their favorite pictures, but as all of the photographs were so good, everyone had a hard time trying to pick his favorites.

Installed at a Candlelight Tea yesterday were the new officers of the First Ladies, including president, Theresa Ballard; Recording Secretary, Shirley Olson; corresponding Secretary Beryle Martin; treasurer, Carol Winkler; and historian, Donna Bordeaux.

New girls and officers were installed in the Library at 3:10 by Candlelight repeating the First Ladies pledge in front of their mothers who were the honored guests. Also present were Mrs. Gertrude Addison, girls' principal and Mrs. Shirley Williams, sponsor. Mrs. E. F. Weiss mother of Betty, and Mrs. R. H. Jannigan, mother of June, present and future presidents, were also present at the tea table.

Coursages were presented to new officers and the old president. The graduating First Ladies presented the club with an inscribed gavel.

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Sportalk

By LANNY LEWIS

Last Saturday was a very important day. Aside from the fact that it marked the 26th year that the Kelley Kar Company opened its doors for business, it terminated spring sports as scheduled by the Los Angeles Board of Education for 1951. This sunny afternoon saw Jefferson High School annex and State CIF track and field championship, and the Washington Generals emerge triumphant in baseball.

THREE MARKS SET

The track meet was held up north at Berkeley in Edwards Stadium. This is the same cinderpath where the Democrats have captured this same coveted victory trophy for three consecutive years. The results were more than a usual triumph for Jefferson. There was a stoic display of real gameness, which one seldom finds in high school athletics. Even without the service of sure point makers as sprinter Floyd Dennis, Miller Jim Walker and the relay team, plus the fact that galloping Al Moore, 440 ace, was hampered with a spike puncture, the Jeffersonians managed to compile 16 1-2 points. Although nine city schools were able to have at least one man in the running, not one of these representatives was from the Western Circuit.

The City men grabbed three blue ribbons. Holland (Jef) took first in the broad jump 22 ft, 5 3-4 inches. Merrill (Belmont) soared 13 ft. for another one, and Poly's relay team breezed through the 880 in 1 m. 30.95 for number three. An old friend, Hamilton of Jordon, tied for second in the high jump.

The baseball finale was more like a basketball tilt. Coach Bob White's Generals won themselves at 33-2 contest, Rancho Cienega, from San Pedro, which in turn gained them the unofficial possession of the city title. In the semi finals, the same morning, a Washington pitcher, Don Green, threw a no-hit, no-run ball game at North Hollywood. The Surveyors really ended a fine season in championship style.

POT POURI

Ronnie Peyton, S'50, who received a scholarship to Harvard upon his graduation, has been captaining the frosh horseholders for the Crimson this year. He is presently holding down the catcher's position . . .

Jerry Todd, another former Yank athlete, is up, around, and feeling fine after his spine injury he received last month. Jerry was injured seriously, when he fell off his pet apparatus, the rings. He was on the S. C. gym team preparing for the nationals when the ill-fated accident occurred . . .

It's time for American Legion Baseball again, and once more Yankee swatsmen will be wielding their big hickories for the Culver Legion. As you will recall 'Athlete of the Month' Elliott Fagan was the star of last year's tourney. Heading the aspirants are Merv Kopp, Don Raskin, Paul Martin, and numerous other homebredders.

Yankeetown has had more fame brought to them. Bob Shapiro, senior aye, won a decisive match last week that gave him the Pacific Coast Table Tennis Championship.

OFFICIAL NOW

The vital statistics for the Western Loop's high point man in track are now officially completed. Leading the league with a total of 68 1-4 points was Gondolier Leon Clarke. He was closely followed by Holly-Hi's Garrett Gerlich. Now getting closer to home, "Golden Boy", Ronnie Wresman was fifth, Chuck Coutts was eighteenth, and Bob Cowdell was No. 23. It seems that Clarke made as many points by himself as Yankee harriers were able to amass throughout the entire season.

Mark Linnes Honored Again at Sports Banquet

Mark Linnes, Hamilton's stellar gymnast, last Friday night, gained another award. This time the award was in the form of a trophy, presented to him by Claude Turley, gym coach. The trophy was inscribed with the following words: "Capt. Linnes, Outstanding, 1951". Coach Turley presented the trophy to Mark at the annual Spring Sports banquet. The dinner was attended by approximately 130 fathers, sons, and faculty members. Guest speaker for the affair, Rosy Gilhousen, head Hollywood Star baseball scout, amused those present with anecdotes about baseball.

Yank Pigskinners Complete Spring Practice Sessions

Spring football practice was completed last Friday afternoon and, as a result, next season's prospects do not look too dim. With many returning pigskinners, including eight Varsity lettermen, the squad is just about where it was at the end of last season. Taking into consideration the experience involved, this is very good.

Ninety-six Yankees have been given sixth period berths, but this does not mean that other hopeful aspirants need not try. Any boy willing to work can come out after school and work out with the team. The coaches are not always 100 percent right, and anybody who considers himself Varsity (or Bee) material, should go out and show his stuff next September. These 96 Yanks have gained berths, but failing to keep in shape and not working out can quickly break down weeks of training. Hard work, cooperation, teamwork, and spirit add enormously to the team's material and help turn out winning squads.

Out of the 36 men on last year's Varsity squad, 18 are returning next season which is a good sign in any man's book. Among these 18, are eight returning lettermen; Fred Gardner, Walter Huhn, Don Hazard, Bud Guthrie, Gary Peterson, Ernie Bales, Ralph Anderson and Dick Sheldon.

The other returning Varsity men are paced by Jack Edwards, Dick McMinn, Ronnie Wresman, Don Bott, and Ed Lafferty. Three Bee lettermen who will be moved to Varsity are Eugene Cummings, Paul Martin, and Dick Howell. Two JV men are also proving helpful and will mean a shot-in-the-arm for Coach Bus Sutherland next season. They are Ronnie Bassell and Joe Vargas.

Over a dozen B-10's, many of whom look very promising, have Varsity exponents. Adding these to the many who will enroll this coming season, the squads will be pretty full. Two men new to the feel of Pigskin who have shown quite a bit of stuff on the gridiron during the past weeks are Paul Urpin, Varsity gymnast, and Bob Jones, a B-11, who has come to Hamilton from Mesa, Arizona.

Mel Zindler and Joe Volpe will be the two Yanks who will probably pace the Bee squad this coming season. Both will be seniors and this will be their last season.

Bus Sutherland, along with Dave Rebd and Carl Brown,

have coached the pigskinners this spring. Coach Sutherland is interested in any tenth grader who can show some good stuff and this is the opportunity which many have looked for.

Getting over to the subject of possible "Salsburys", there are few athletes at Hamilton today who can match his superlative playing ability. Mentally and physically, there are two Yanks who can become All-League contenders; namely, Bud Guthrie and Gary Peterson. Guthrie will take over Salsbury's spot while Peterson will play left tackle, tentatively speaking.

The line will be the strongest in experience within the league with the exception that of the Gondoliers. Casually looking over the squad, your reporter predicts that the most promising linemen will include Ralph Anderson, RE; Walter Huhn, LE; Bud Guthrie, running guard; Don Hazard, standing guard; Gary Peterson, LT; Dick McMinn, RT; and Jack Edwards, C.

The backfield is not as securely settled as the line. The squad will be working off the single wing and a lot of hard work is going to have to go into a successful backfield. Dick Sheldon will try to hold down tailback, but the leading contender has it all over him for speed. He is Ronnie Wresman. Don Bott leads Eugene Cummings and Ernie Bales to blocking back spot, but don't count the last two out. They are far from it. Fullback will probably be held down by Paul Martin while Fred Gardner will take over wing back.

Barring injuries from the crystal ball, Hamilton's chances in next season's pigskin races are more than fair. Regardless of the metropolitan papers and their scribes, we will not do poorly as last season. If the members of the team keep their heads down to normal size, cut out their smoking and continue to exercise, Hamilton will give the other Sunset-loopers a fight.

Final Averages of Baseballers

Final league batting statistics for the 1951 Hamilton Baseball Varsity:

	G	AB	H	R	Ave.	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	SB
Poston	14	50	21	10	.420	2	1	1	3	5	10
Abarta	14	45	15	6	.333	2	0	2	1	4	5
Volpe	2	3	1	1	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0
Martin	14	33	10	10	.303	0	1	1	6	7	4
Aitken	10	29	8	1	.276	2	0	0	0	8	0
Kopp	13	35	8	6	.229	1	0	0	8	7	6
Snyder	13	44	10	6	.227	3	0	1	1	11	2
Wagenseller	7	18	4	3	.222	0	1	0	3	5	0
Moore	13	38	8	2	.211	7	1	0	1	9	7
Weiss	8	11	2	2	.182	1	0	0	4	1	1
Fagan	12	28	4	4	.143	2	0	0	4	9	0
Richardson	12	28	3	2	.107	0	0	0	7	11	5
Lebovitz	1	1	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Schoen	2	1	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0
Davis	4	8	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	4	0
Team Totals	353	93	53	258	.258	14	4	5	39	83	40

Poston had the most at bats, 50; the most hits, 21; the best average, .420. Poston and Martin scored the most runs, 10. Snyder has the most doubles, 3; there is a four-way tie for triples; Abarta has the most home runs; Kopp has the most BB's, 8, and Richardson and Snyder have the dubious honor of having the most strikeouts, 11. Poston also leads in stolen bases, 10.

Live Baseball Inspiration Incites Author of "Casey"

Baseball has been the cause of many inspirational works, but perhaps the greatest of them all is that familiar and humorous prody about the typical hometown slugger, "Casey at the Bat." Yes, probably everyone has heard that poem, but very few remember how or when it was written.

The familiar lines of "Casey at the Bat" were concocted by a Harvard graduate of 1885, Ernest Thayer. At Harvard, Thayer had been editor of The Lamppoon, the noted Crimson paper on literary humor, and had continued in the field of journalism, as a reporter for the San Francisco Examiner. An enthusiastic baseball fan, he used to root particularly hard for a slugger named John Patrick Cahill, who was playing for the San Francisco Seals.

One day, Thayer went to the ballpark to watch the Seals play. The game was a close one, and San Francisco was losing by one run, and had two outs in the ninth, when Slugger Cahill strode to the plate, with a look of grim defiance on his face. The crowd roared as he took his famous batting stance, and then with two called strikes on him, he missed with a tremendous swipe, and the game was over.

Thayer went back to his office, still suffering from the

stigma of the defeat, and proceeded to write "Casey at the Bat". The poem was printed the next day in the Examiner.

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