

The Acorn

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AT UPPER Darby, one can find a club for nearly any purpose. This afternoon, because of the recent Western droughts, there will be a meeting in the auditorium for the Royal Rain Dance Club. New members and spirits are welcome . . .

SOPHOMORE BOYS are wondering why their female classmates aren't as breathtaking as they were last year. They don't know what it's like to fight for a position in front of one of the school's two 3" by 5" mirrors . . .



THE CAFETERIA promises new and exotic dishes this year. A recent inventory reveals that 157 cases of canned prunes and lemon peels have been stocked up . . .

NOTE: THAT room on the first floor between the old and new buildings is not the new student lounge . . .

SENIORS ARE wondering whether the chairman was more concerned with the elections or the fire drill at the assembly on Wednesday. Everyone made it safely . . .

Yours truly,
Colonel Acorn

Student Council to Meet under Changed Schedule

ACCORDING TO Principal Charles J. Moore, the Student Council will operate this year under a new schedule. The Council will meet in the library during the school day every two weeks. It held its first meeting yesterday during the first period; its next meeting will occur second period; third period, and so on. The eighth meeting will again take place in the first period.

Every representative will miss each class twice during the year. Commenting on the change, Dr. Moore said, "We feel it will lend a little more dignity and importance to our Student Council."

This year's officers are Phil Caton, president; Bill Maruchi, vice president; Joanne Martorelli, secretary; John Harms, treasurer; and Jim Hodnett, sergeant at arms.

The following homeroom presidents serve as representatives this year: Seniors: Frank Baldino, Shelly Blitz, Peggy Campbell, Cindy Day, Donna DiGiorgio, Robin Erner, Walt Fedyna, Donald Grimes, Rosemary Hachadorian, Marc Hess, Vicki Kliss, Chris Leinberger, Nora Lichtash, Joan Misirian, Steve Moyer, Debbie Rosoff, Doug Sederholm, Suzanne Sranian, Stephanie Street, Chris Urie, Kay Weinstein, Ronnie Yaskin.

Juniors: Jeff Aldridge, Edward Bedrossian, Geoffrey Brocker, Jill Crolick, Maria Demopoulos, Bill Dorman, Robert Fleming, Grace Glazier, Carol Hambleton, Audrey Jobson, Eric Lodge, Diane Maiocco, Joe Montesano, Louise Morris, Richard Olson, Christine Rankin, Bob Sabatelli, Sue Sharpman, Bill Sidebottom, Ilona Surotchak, Dawn Turner, Dorores Wolfe.

Sophomores: Anne Allison, John Bohke, George Byrnes, Amedia Chesney, Susan Deal, Martha DeWitt, Roxanne Fern, Janice Graham, Kaya Hoskino, Patricia Kerr, Susan Light, Paula Makin, Philip McCarthy, Joyce McDermott, Edgar Muff, William Muskas, Evan Nicholas, Doris Saling, Lynn Smith, Jean Stanko, James Spiro, Robert Sunshine, Peter Vououris, Thomas Williamson.

Organization Representatives: Robert Sills, The Acorn; Pat Behrle, First Aid & Social Service Club; Josie Ormsby, Leaders' Group; Andrea Beamer, Oak; Claudia Phillips, Welfare; Connie Salidis, World Affairs Forum; Bradley Smith, Thespians; Vicki Kliss, Library.

Advisers Announce Tryouts for UDHS Theater Project

TRYOUTS FOR the case of Arms and the Man, the third annual Fall Play production of UDHS Theater, will take place in room 130 after school on Wednesday, according to Miss Freida E. Reed, director. Tryout material is available in room 130.

The G. B. Shaw satire has roles for five male and three female performers.

Sophomores as well as upperclassmen are eligible to tryout, Miss Reed emphasizes. The fall play, which is to be staged November 10-11, is an all-school project; it is not a Thespian troupe exclusive as some groups have been erroneously reporting. The only all-Thespian stage venture is the

Acorn Distributes Second Free Issue

THIS IS the last opportunity students will have to read about their fellow students and about their teachers, compliments of The Acorn. This second issue is being distributed to all students at no cost to encourage them to become subscribers.

The Publications Campaign, which will begin next Tuesday, will last for two weeks. During this time it will cost only \$7.00 to purchase a Publications Ticket, which will entitle a student to receive 27 more issues of The Acorn; two issues of the Upi-Dah, the school literary magazine; and the Oak, the yearbook. Purchased separately, these publications would cost a total of \$9.00.

The \$7.00 is payable in four installments — two payments of \$2.00 each and two of \$1.50. Separate subscriptions to The Acorn cost \$3.00; to The Oak, \$5.00; and to The Upi-Dah, \$1.00. Students may order a publications ticket or separate subscriptions from their homeroom publications agents.

289 of '67 Seniors to Continue Their Education This Year

OF THE 640 members of last year's senior class, 45 percent of the students are continuing their education.

Two hundred-thirty students are entering four-year colleges; 52 are attending junior colleges; seven are enrolled in nursing schools; and one is working as a laboratory technician. Forty-three are joining the military service.

Five Royals from last year's senior class are attending so-called prestige colleges — like Swarthmore, Cornell, and Dartmouth. In past years, there have been Royals in practically every prestige school.

The freshman class of Temple University has more Royals, 28, than that of any other college. Other schools with many UD students include Pennsylvania State University, with 21, and West Chester State College, with 17.

Eleven students are going to PMC college, ten to Drexel Institute of Technology, ten to Millersville State College, and seven to the University of Pennsylvania.

Children's play scheduled for mid-winter.

In addition to acting areas of participation the UDHS Theater includes technical work, makeup, costume, publicity and ticket. Miss Reed points out. However, in these areas there are special qualifications to be met.

For technical work, satisfactory completion of work in stagecraft classes is a requirement; for makeup, satisfactory work in makeup classes. These classes, which will begin Tuesday, October 3, are conducted every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7:30 for six to eight weeks.

Miss Reed is in charge of makeup. Miss Maizie Weil, who is the Theater technical director, is in charge of stagecraft.

ROYALS TO ENTER

Science Contest

ACCORDING TO David O. Becker, head of the Science Department, there is a strong possibility that UD will place very high this year in the annual Philadelphia Science Council Examinations which will be given on October 14.

Each high school in the Delaware Valley is entitled to send 10 seniors to take the tests, which will be given at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. The Acorn will publish the list of UD students selected to take the tests in a future issue.

Taglianetti Wins Presidency

Sponsors Review 67 Applications for Honor Society

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT and service to the school will be rewarded on Tuesday, October 10; the 1967-68 National Honor Society installation will take place in a senior assembly.

To be eligible a student must be in the top ten percent of his class at the end of his junior year; a minimum of twenty honor points, and teachers' recommendations complete the qualifications.

Those nominated for the Society filled out activity sheets Wednesday, September 13. Students can be disqualified either by having too many or too few honor points. A president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer who participate in the ceremony are elected by the candidates.

Each officer speaks on one of the Society's standards — scholarship, service, leadership and character. Dr. Charles J. Moore, principal, will present the pins. Mrs. Patricia Diffenderfer, Robert F. Shimer and William Torop are the advisers of the Society.

Hodnett Twins, Blitz Capture Other Offices

NUDGING OUT the incumbent James Hodnett by 35 votes, Libro Taglianetti was elected senior class president in a special assembly Wednesday morning. Hodnett, the runner-up for president, automatically becomes the vice-president.

Jim's sister, Frannie Hodnett, was re-elected treasurer by a landslide margin. Shelly Blitz skidded past Carol Pappas and Joanne Flick to win re-election as secretary.

School Reschedules Preliminary SAT's

THE GUIDANCE Department announces that because of a religious holiday conflict the day of the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test has been changed from Saturday, October 14, to Saturday, October 21.

This test is for Juniors who want to get an idea of what College Boards are like and how they would fare in the SAT's. Seniors in the National Honor Society can also take this test to compete for scholarships. These Seniors should see the Junior guidance counselors.

Those who wish to take the Drexel Test but find it conflicting with something else should contact Peter E. Bernardino about an alternate date.

Head of English Department Plans Changes in Curriculum

UNDER THE chairmanship of Carl M. Hamsher, newly appointed chairman, the program of the English Department is undergoing a streamlining process. Objectives set for the year include introducing a Humanities program, improving instruction in all areas of English and especially in English usage, improving testing procedures, streamlining the curriculum, establishing a Professional Book Club for English teachers.



CARL M. HAMSHER

The Humanities series gets underway the first week in October, Mr. Hamsher said, when two films will be presented to as many class groups as can be scheduled. The first: The Humanities: What They Are and What They Do. The second: Greek Lyric Poetry.

Special presentation of these films will also be scheduled for 7:45 a.m. and 3:15 p.m., Mr. Hamsher announced, for students who cannot be accommodated during class time. The dates will be specified later.

The department English Usage Test, which all students took last week, was designed to reveal student weaknesses in this area and to serve as a constructive teaching aid.

WHEN MR. Hamsher studied the results of the NEDT tests given last year, he found that Upper Darby students scored high according to national norms, in vocabulary, reading, and literature but very low in English usage. Thus the emphasis in this area at this time.

To facilitate the work of his department, Mr. Hamsher has prepared a Department Handbook which includes a basic curriculum at all three grade levels for the first semester, specifications for departmental procedures, recommendations concerning classroom procedures, and a calendar of activities and obligations.

Five standing committees have been organized on the basis of teachers' schedules. Teachers who have free periods at the same time function on the same committee; this plan enables the committee to meet during the school day.

John D. Young, chairman of the curriculum committee; Mrs. Anne M. Slick, of testing; Miss Frances J. Gamble, reading; James F. Fegely, of films; Mr. Hamsher and Lynn R. D. Witmer, chairman of the Social Studies department, chairmen of the Humanities committee. Miss Helen M. Mowry leads the Social committee.

IN HIS campaign speech in assembly, Libro commented that anyone who was elected would do a good job but emphasized that, if elected, he would try especially hard to help the senior class have a good year. Libro was a member of the weightlifting team and of the class executive committee last year.

This year, Jim Hodnett is also the treasurer of Student Council and a varsity football player. He was class president as a junior and class historian as a sophomore. In the assembly, Jim stated that he would try to make the senior year the best so far.

Frannie Hodnett was elected treasurer for the second year in a row, and Shelly Blitz was elected secretary, also for the second straight year. Shelly had been treasurer of her class as a sophomore.

EARLIER THIS year all 12 senior class homerooms submitted several names for each of the elective offices. The class advisers, Miss Frances J. Gamble and Lewis Z. Stamus, compiled the list of nominees after reviewing the qualifications of all those who were nominated by enough homerooms.

Prior to the elections, five students declined nominations in order not to jeopardize their status as candidates for the National Honor Society by carrying too many points under the Leadership Development program.

Special telegrams were sent by The Acorn Editorial Board last night to notify the officers of their election. The editors of The Acorn served as the board of elections.

Election Returns

PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
Taglianetti 299	Blitz 251	Hodnett 310
Hodnett 264	Pappas 204	Vulpio 158
Yaskin 52	Flick 163	Martorelli 150
Nonvalid 6	Nonvalid 3	Nonvalid 3
Total vote 621	Total vote 621	Total vote 621

Cooperative Spirit Creates New Climate on Campus This Year

UD ADMINISTRATIVE officials have agreed that there is a definite change in the climate of the school this year, an atmosphere not evident in the past few years.

Dr. Charles J. Moore has attributed this good attitude to two major reasons. The first reason is that students are paying more attention to and they are more serious about their studies than in previous years. Another reason is that the teachers are trying to make this a good year and they are encouraging the students more.

Dr. Moore and Mrs. Edna MacNair, dean of girls, both agree that everyone has been cooperating very well and that the school is off to one of the best years in a long time.

Assistant Principal Peter E. Bernardino made the remark that conduct in the cafeteria has been splendid so far and that movement in the corridors has improved. Mr. Bernardino also commented that dress and appearance have been appropriate.

New Handbook

AID STUDENTS

FOR THE second consecutive year, there have been major changes made in the Upper Darby High School Handbook. In addition to the fact that this year's Handbook, the forty-third edition, has a format different from previous editions, many unimportant parts of former Handbooks have been deleted; and several valuable new sections have been added. The purpose of these changes is, apparently, to make this Handbook more useful and more widely-used than its predecessors.

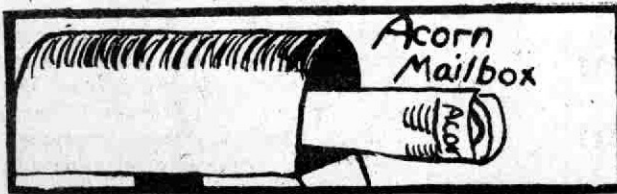
One fairly important change is the elimination of most historical material. For example, this year's Handbook does not contain histories of the school or of its library. Such information, though occasionally handy, is certainly not generally needed by most students; and its omission is a reasonable one.

CERTAIN OTHER unnecessary historical materials have also been left out of the forty-third edition. Last year's Handbook gave all information on many awards and on May Day competitions back to the beginning of time, or very nearly so; in it, one could find information on the results of the color contest of 1929 (Gold won, 348 to 325) or the gift of the Class '32 (an addressograph, with stencils, for use of the school and the Alumni Association). Fortunately, however, these and many other similar facts (which, incidentally, are excellent questions for trivia contests) are not included in the new Handbook.

ONE OF the useful, albeit morbid, additions to the Handbook is an enumeration of punishments for disciplinary offenses. Another, more valuable, addition is a list of descriptions of all major standardized tests generally taken by high school students.

Perhaps the most important addition is the section consisting of course descriptions. These descriptions are detailed enough to give students a rough idea of what they can expect in various courses, and it should prove helpful in planning yearly courses of study.

The new Handbook is not perfect. It does contain some idealistic and generally false statements, ("The period from 8:15 to 8:30 in the morning is utilized by most students for study in their respective homerooms."). Also, some sections which were desirable parts of last year's handbook—for example, the complete sports schedule—are not in the new edition. For the most part, however, the changes are sensible ones; and, despite minor flaws, this year's Handbook seems to be a considerable improvement over previous editions.



THE ACORN welcomes letters from readers so that it can truly represent the views of the school community. Letters, which may be left in the mailbox in the Acorn office adjacent to room 210, should be received 10 days before publication date and should carry the signature, home-room, and grade of the writer. Only initials and the year of graduation will appear in print, however. All letters received will be answered.

UD HALL TRAFFIC . . . Everyday as I pass through the halls of Upper Darby I run into a crowd of people blocking the stairways. When I arrive at class the teacher says, "Why are you late?" I explain to her but she says, "It's your own fault." I already had detention and probably will get it once more this year.

I also would like to tell the teachers to let us out of class on time. The same teachers that give you detention are the ones that keep you after class. R.M. '70

LAST LUNCH . . . The problem of last lunch remains, as always, the same. After patiently waiting in the lunch lines, students arrive at the counters and find, next to nothing offered.

Something should be done to remedy the situation. The victims of fifth lunch plunge half-starved into the cafeteria at 12:15 to be greeted by the distinct absence of food. If anything, the students at last lunch should have more food because of the late hour. D.H. '70

SOPH LIKES UD . . . Since the day I came to Upper Darby High I have found a whole new world to tackle. I never realized it was so big; I still haven't found certain offices. There are so many clubs. I have just gotten my handbook and I hope I can arrange my thoughts now.

I don't know whether I like the policy of keeping your homeroom for three years, but as for the kids they are some of the nicest I've met.

The summer was fun but I'm glad to start back to school. L.W. '70

ADMINISTRATION PRAISED . . . I am writing this to show my feeling toward the way the administration handled the roster situation. I think that they did a good job on changing the roster mistakes. If it was up to the students, I think there would still be a lot of changes to be made.

I would like to express my appreciation to those responsible for not letting the situation get out of hand and also for keeping the students from crowding the Guidance Offices. In my opinion this problem was solved in a very fine manner. M.C. '69

SCHOOL SPIRIT . . . In my past year at Upper Darby I witnessed much criticism on the part of certain students on the subject of school spirit. I felt that this criticism was headed in the wrong direction. If they wanted to criticize, why don't they come to the basketball games and criticize the school spirit there? The only thing wrong with this suggestion is that they would not have found anything to knock down. I feel that no one should ever be critical of the student of our school for lack of, or too much, school spirit. We had a fine display of this not only at our basketball games but football games and other activities as well. It is my hope that no more of this kind of criticism should ever again reach the ears of the students at Upper Darby Senior High School. A.G. '69

Royal Senior Spends Month Traveling in the Netherlands

AN OUTGOING, heartfelt friendliness is one characteristic of the Dutch people that Stephany Street, UD senior, found most charming and pleasant on her month long trip to Holland. As a member of the Experiment in International Living, Stephany spent a month in Haarlem, in the east Netherlands.

The experiment in International Living is a youth organization whose purpose is mainly to improve relations between countries and increase understanding among young people all over the world. Under the leadership of John Vroom, a Dutchman, Stephany and nine other young people from the United States travelled to Holland by plane.

THE PLANE first stopped in Brussels, where Stephany describes the filth and lack of space in the youth hostel there as "unbelievable." From Brussels, the group took a train to Haarlem, where they stayed four days in an old castle that has been converted into a youth hostel. There was an orientation program in which the group were taught Dutch customs. The group then travelled all over Holland, getting acquainted with the land and the people who were their hosts. After visiting Amsterdam, the young Americans were each taken to their homes.

Stephany spent one month in Haarlem with the Diemer family, and was treated as a member of the family. The Diemers are a typical Dutch family with seven children and what she describes as ideal parents.

Breakfast and lunch are important meals in Holland. A typical breakfast, which is exactly the same every morning will include two kinds of bread, a plate of chocolate jimmies, brown sugar, honey, jam, cheese, meat, strawberries, and tomatoes. In eating, the Dutch never use fingers or napkins. They drink milk or tea with breakfast. The food in Holland impressed Stephany most of all, but the monotony of the meals detracted from her enjoyment of them.

AT 10:30 everyone in Holland stops for a coffee break, and lunch is at 12:30. The noon meal invariably starts with soup, usually chicken soup with little meat balls. There are vegetables, meat and gravy. An odd thing about the meals, says the perky, dark-haired senior, is that everything is eaten in the same plate from soup to dessert. At 4:30 there is a tea break, and a simple dinner at 6:30 consisting of the same foods as breakfast. There is another coffee break at 9:30.

While she was there, Stephany sent her Dutch family into raptures of delight by cooking them hamburgers and making them sandwiches. The Dutch are not as ready to accept strangers or new ideas as Americans are.

In Holland, mod fashions are very popular, with an accent on mixing bright colors, an effect which turns out surprisingly well.

THE HIPPIE movement is not restricted only to American teens. The Dutch seem to have a group of their own, called the Provos, who go to even further extremes than Ameri-



cans. A particular fad with the Provos is black suede shoes and very long hair. The mini-skirt trend has been greatly exaggerated in Holland. No mini-skirt is lower than 6 inches above the knee.

Popular music is "fantastic" and the Dutch used to receive radio broadcasts from pirate ships that anchored off the coast, but on August 15, 1967, these were outlawed by the British government, due to their unsafe frequency. The Dutch have some of their own groups, which are very good.

"Anytime after the age of 14," Stephany says gleefully, "you can walk into any liquor store in Holland, buy one bottle of gin, one of whisky, Vermouth, a good French Wine, two bottles of tonic, and walk right out. It's a great feeling."

ABOUT HALF of the Dutch are Catholics, another forty per cent are Protestants. Since Holland used to own the Dutch West Indies, many Indonesians live among the Dutch and have influenced them greatly, especially in diet.

There is no racial prejudice of any kind anywhere in Holland, which has Chinese and Negroes as well as Dutch Indonesians. There is something incongruous about walking into a Chinese restaurant in Holland and hearing a Chinese waiter speak Dutch.

School is in session from 8:00 until 3:30 in Holland, with a break in the morning and a lunch break from 12:30 to 2:00. Majors on a Dutch roster are French, German, English, and Dutch. There is lots of homework. After graduation many go on to college.

IT IS not as widely accepted for women to work as it is in the United States. Dutch women are perfect housewives in every way. Parents tend to be strict but are fond and affectionate at the same time. Children respect their parents' authority more than American children, but at the same time the feeling of love for the family still exists. In Holland, the family is the unit around which everything revolves.



Hey, Pete. Gotta doozy this year!

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Up the Down Staircase

STUDENTS OF UD will find that they have much in common with those of Calvin Coolidge High, the school depicted in the movie, "Up the Down Staircase." At the beginning of the year, students are bombarded with forms to be filled out. Everyone talks about the new school to be built but little is done. Coolidge High even has the same school colors: purple and gold.

After this point though, the resemblance ends. Calvin Coolidge is a high school in the slums of New York City. In too many cases, both students and teachers are just serving time; students until they are old enough for a job and teachers until they are old enough for a pension.

TO THIS place, where despair is bred by poverty and problems, comes Sylvia Barrett, a beginning teacher who wants to give to her students the same joy of knowledge that she once received from a teacher. She finds the task more difficult than she had expected.

Filed in New York City schools, "Up the Down Staircase" is realistic in portraying the problems of teachers who have too few supplies and too much paperwork. Adding to the well-written script are the actors: Sandy Dennis, who won last year's supporting actress Oscar, is excellent as Sylvia Barrett. Her joys and frustrations as a teacher are believable and familiar. Also outstanding is Patrick Bedford, who gives understanding to the unsympathetic part of the handsome, witty English teacher whose bad handling of a young girl with a crush on him leads to tragedy.

The real laurels, however, go to the actors who portrayed the students. They aren't really acting but playing themselves on screen. They were selected from the hundreds who auditioned because they resembled the students about whom Bel Kaufman wrote the best-selling book on which the movie is based. There is even one case, that of Jose Gonzalez, where a boy plays himself.

ONE SURPRISE, considering the unhappy tendency of film-makers to change things, is that the movie closely follows the book. There are no tacked on happy endings for the many problems. As in life, there are funny moments in the movie, such as the teacher who becomes hysterical when she finds her best student in the closet with the class sexpot.

Most of the movie though, shows the more tragic side of the school. There is the sensitive girl whose crush on a handsome English teacher leads her to drastic measures. Sylvia's biggest disappointment is an intelligent boy who only works when interested and who causes much trouble. When Sylvia tries to reach him he believes her interest in him is of a different nature. In despair Sylvia begins to think of accepting a tempting offer from a private school.

"Up the Down Staircase" is a movie that is sometimes funny, sometimes sad, but always well worth seeing. It is not likely to be forgotten when award time rolls around.

VERSE

Illusions

by Mary Jane Tappata

TO DISPOSE of that
which hides reality,
Would mean the doom
of mankind.
For we live in a fantasy world
of created images,
Which shield us from despair
and give us hope for tomorrow.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Guidance counselors urge students to think seriously about institutions to attend after high school and reiterate that they are available for consultation.

Parents' Confidential Forms, which many colleges require with scholarship applications, are now available, the counselors announce.

Notice of scholarship opportunities will be printed in The Acorn as soon as they are received. For additional information students may contact the Guidance Office.

SWEET BRIAR College is offering scholarships up to \$2650 depending on need. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, but Virginia applicants receive preference. Candidates must apply for admission and file the required form for aid. For further information write to Director of Admission, Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Virginia, 24595.

TRINITY COLLEGE, a men's college in Connecticut, is offering the Martin W. Clement scholarships for up to \$3000 per year to students of the Greater Philadelphia area. The Parents Confidential Scholarships service serves as a scholarship application. Write for a preliminary application for admission to the Director of Admissions, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106.

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Coach Predicts Perfect Season for Hockeyettes

8-0! AN UNDEFEATED season is what Mrs. Virginia B. Middleton predicts for the hockey team. And it may not be too hard, considering the fine material she has to work with. The greatest hope lies with the sophomores. Mrs. Middleton believes that the sophomores will add depth to the team providing for a strong Junior Varsity.

After a week of practice, the girls are beginning to operate as a team. There are still a few kinks, but they should be cleared up soon. After the grass is cut and the field is lined, there will be nothing to hold our hockeyettes back.

The 64 girls who are out for the squad will be cut to a team of about

Moore Sports News

UPPER DARBY has been blessed this fall with an abundance of new students of the eager sophomore variety. Besides making the halls a little more crowded this fall than last spring, they are increasing, to the coaches delight, the number of girls trying out for the hockey team.

The coaches' delight may be the upperclassmen girls' dismay since the large turnout will mean tougher competition for positions on the team. But all is not lost. There is still one good thought in that one will have more girls to console with if one doesn't make the team. The pain of being cut will be spread out a little more.

We now not only have the returning varsity and junior varsity players, but a large number of sophomores with all their enthusiasm, and with all this, who knows how good our hockey team will be?

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Eager Sophomores Join Upperclassmen as Clubs Organize

LAST WEEK was definitely JOIN-UP week at Upper Darby. Hordes of sophomores thronged to meeting rooms as clubs issued calls for new members. Four clubs conducted formal meetings; others just had prospective members sign up.

At the Leaders Group organization meeting, Sept. 11, Josie Ormsby, president, introduced the officers: Louise Morris, junior vice president; Gwen Snodgrass, secretary; and Marilyn Jenkins, treasurer.

THE PURPOSE of the Leaders is to set an example for the rest of the school in spirit of cooperation between classmates and teachers and to develop a sense of leadership in its members.

Richard R. Maxwell, new physics teacher, who recently returned from Vietnam, was the guest speaker at yesterday's World Affairs Forum meeting. Mrs. Grace H. Brewer, adviser, cordially invites all teachers and students to attend the meetings which take place monthly in room 51.

Officers are Connie Salidis, president; Richard Lodge, vice president; Joan Kahne, recording secretary; Marian Gerwood, corresponding secretary; and Alan Director, treasurer. A DELUGE of students poured into room 33 for the first meeting of the Pep Club, Sept. 11, at which Sue Saranian, president, officiated. Although club representatives have been selling buttons, pens, shakers and other Royal paraphernalia, their first major activity has been preparing for the first home football game against Chester tomorrow.

Commercial Club organized on Wednesday, under the direction of Miss Pearl E. Garen, adviser. The club, whose members are junior and senior girls rostered for business courses, meets the third Wednesday of every month in room 165. Donna Gayer was elected president last spring. Other officers were elected Wednesday, too late for The Acorn deadline.



MONDAY
HOT PLATTER: Cheeseburger on homebaked roll, fluffy rice, mixed vegetable mold, and milk. COLD PLATTER: Tomato juice, turkey salad sandwich, macaroni salad, vegetable mold, celery and carrot sticks, and milk. SALADS: Turkey salad, macaroni salad and cold cuts, peach halves and cottage cheese, tossed salad bowl.

TUESDAY
HOT PLATTER: Italian spaghetti, buttered spinach or buttered wax beans, tossed salad, homebaked French bread and butter, and milk. COLD PLATTER: Hoagie, cup of soup, coleslaw or tomato juice, and milk. SALADS: Potato salad and cold cuts, vegetable mold, pineapple and apricot, coleslaw with sliced egg.

WEDNESDAY
HOT PLATTER: Hot roast beef sandwich, buttered noodles, green beans with mushroom or Harvard beets, carrot and raisin salad. COLD PLATTER: Deviled egg, potato salad, golden glow salad, spiced prunes, homebaked cinnamon roll and butter, and milk. SALADS: Deviled egg and tomato, ham salad with tomato wedge, perfection mold, carrot and raisin salad.

THURSDAY
HOT PLATTER: Beef barbecue, homebaked roll, parsleyed rice, yellow and white turnips or buttered peas, coleslaw, and milk. COLD PLATTER: Cold roast beef sandwich, macaroni salad, cranberry jello mold, cabbage-carrot salad, and milk. SALADS: Mixed fruit bowl, under-the-sea salad, hearts of lettuce-Russian dressing, tomato and sliced egg.

FRIDAY
HOT PLATTER: Homebaked pizza, buttered rice, buttered green beans or glazed carrots, pepper cabbage, fac-beef ragout, and milk. COLD PLATTER: Tuna fish salad on homebaked roll or egg salad sandwich, potato salad, sliced tomato, pickle chips, and milk. SALADS: Salmon salad, egg salad, fruit jello mold with cottage cheese, coleslaw and tomato wedges.

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'67-'68 AA Campaign Begins as Royals Pick Color Captains

THE ELECTION of 250 color captains last week launched the AA campaign which aims to support the school athletic program and to promote sportsmanship among the students. The campaign also marks the official start of the purple and gold color competition. When The Acorn went to press, Gold was leading by a score of 554 to 533, indicating AA ticket purchases.

Last year, this contest was won by the Purple team. The homeroom captains will elect class captains to lead the May Day drills and events.

SENIOR GOLD captains: Robert Algozy, Jennifer Barnada, Robert Bellino, Barbara Boyce, Jack Burns, Joy Cherwinski, R. Clark, Carl Dambman, Patricia David, Joanne DeGaetano, John Easby, Bob Eisenman, Pat Fagan, Donna Gayer, Toby George, Nancy Harman, Richard Hellyer, Frances Hodnett, Bill Kinsella, Patricia Krug, Bruce Leary, Marilyn Leute, David McCarty, Vicki Mirkil, Randy Norsworthy, Stephen Paul, Richard Pride, Nancy Ryan, Frances Shaughnessy, Bob Sills, Ruth Snyder, Libro Taglianetti, John Vettesse, Susan Wrench, Bonnie Wright, Wendy York.

SENIOR PURPLE captains: Bruce Bartman, Martin Bean, Barbara Bergman, Shelly Blitz, Vincent Buono, Debbie Castallente, Benny Cheng, B. Cluley, Wayne Crawford, Judy D'Orsogna, Pete Earle, Walt Fedyna, Elizabeth Frederick, Charles Genzler, Linda Germano, Barbara Hancock, John Harms, Diane Hoon, Art Jenson, Victoria Kliss, Michele Levan, Andy Matter, Michael McAvoy, Beverly Nessel, Ernest Wocito, Joseph Peters, Peter Poryzees, David Siener, Sue Siranian, Carol Reynolds, Rodney Stone, Sue Sylvain, William Thompson, Pavla Valence, Allison Walker, Peg Worthington.

JUNIOR GOLD captains: Donna Anderson, Carol Attarian, Charles Bartler, Ned Bedrossian, Ed Burns, Sue Buzzard, David Chalson, Lynn Coulter, William Davis, Arlene Dietrich, Roberta DiSylvestro, Gregory Doulter, Faith Eisenhuth, William Flick, Patti Glennon, Jim Guest, Dottie Heckman, Larry Hieges, Nancy Jacoby, Gary Jones, Stephen Kehler, Carmen Lanza, Elaine Leach, Richard Martin, Mary Ellen Miller, Kenneth Nesbit, Kren Norling, Tom Popper, Amy Rapkin, Bruce Reiben, Dustin Rode, Robert Saling, Elizabeth Seaby, Donna Smith, Neil Smith, Donna Taylor, Jay Thorpe, Dawn Turner, Neil Weintraub, Donna Wisner, and Jim Zabner.

JUNIOR PURPLE captains: Aristides Agabides, Rosemary Barthmaier, Bill Blessing, Joyce Bonifante, Frank Burns, Cynthia Celestine, Cobart Cole, Judy Collins, Robin Davis, Carson Dempsey, Cheryl Dooley, Richard Evans, Carolyn Fagley, Donald Freeman, Dale Gauzza, Karen Goodwin,

Recruiting for College

REPRESENTATIVES FROM seven colleges will visit Upper Darby next week on the days listed below. Juniors or seniors may arrange to see them by getting an excusal note from their guidance counselors.

Sept. 22, 9:00 a.m.—De Pauw University
Green Castle, Indiana
Sept. 26, 1:00 p.m.—Dickenson College
Carlisle, Pennsylvania
Sept. 26, 2:30 p.m.—Kenyon College (Men)
Gamber, Ohio
Sept. 27, 1:30 p.m.—Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey
Sept. 28, 9:00 a.m.—Wells Col. (Women)
Aurora, New York
Sept. 29, 8:45 a.m.—Hiram College
Hiram, Ohio
Sept. 29, 11:00 a.m.—Oberlin College
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SOPHOMORE PURPLE captains: John Agneta, Barbara Archer, Margaret Behrle, John Bendon, Patti Brown, Robert Bushnell, Gerald Chandless, Karen Cloak, Chas. Craig, Susan Davis, Martha DeWitt, Kevin Eiss, Debra Ford, Ronald Garrell, Jim Graham, Sharon Gray, Marilyn Hart, Ed Heal, John Irons, Louise Kiebride, Frederick Kaniuk, Bernadette Kolynch, Debbie Lomax, Dennis Licci, Greg Lyman, Debbie Mathews, Dennis McFadden, Robert McGlensey, Janet Miller, Frank Morrison, Charmaine Neff, John Weil, Joseph Novenson, Julie Owen, Robert Pulee, Roger Ridgley, Pat Robinson, Joseph Russell, David Sederholm, Bonnie Shay, Bonnie Sneiderer, Jill Taylor, John Thomas, Sybil Vernon, Elaine White, Pamela Williamson, Keith Willis, Annette Yannone.

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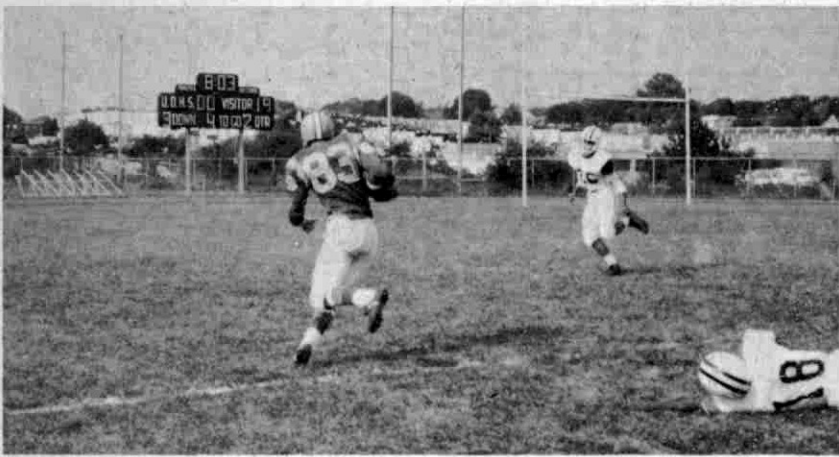
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GO FOR SIX . . . Royal end Walt Fedyna heads for the goal with a Bob Eisenman pass under his arm. On the next play, Ron Wilds grabbed a pass and scored UD's first touchdown in a losing cause against Chester on Monday.

Royal Gridmen Lose Season Opener

WITH GREAT Royal spirit in the stands as a background, the UD football team dropped its opener to Chester 38-20 on Monday afternoon at home. The game was originally scheduled for Saturday, but the threat of Hurricane Doria caused the postponement. Tonight the team meets Conestoga under the lights in Pioneer Country.

The score doesn't really tell the true story of the game, considering that the halftime score was 31-13. After halftime recess a "new" Royal squad emerged from the locker room, a squad which constantly moved the ball into Clipper territory and held their opponent to a single touchdown.

ROYAL SCORES came on two Bob Eisenman passes to Walt Fedyna and one to Ron Wilds. A good season is predicted for the Purple and Gold gridmen if they can learn to warm up before the game, and not during the first half.

The Upper Darby football squad has held three pre-season scrim-

mages, UD has beaten Wissahickon, lost to Monsignor Bonner, and tied Plymouth Whitmarsh. The first scrimmage was with Wissahickon in which UD won by the score of 13 to 6. The game was heavily dominated by the Royals, despite the score.

Bob Eisenman started the scoring by throwing a 40 yard touchdown pass to Ron Wilds. UD's next scoring attack was a 35 yard quarterback option, brilliantly executed by Bill Maruchi.

THE SECOND encounter was with Monsignor Bonner. Although UD did not score they came very close a number of times; their 10 plays would run out before they could make a score.

The third and final game was with Plymouth Whitmarsh. This game proved to be the most exciting, because it was not only a football game, but also a wrestling match according to numerous players. The first score was on a 25 yard run by Tom Popper, fullback. The second run was an Eisenman to Wilds completion.

With the score 19-12 Bob Eisenman found John Harms, who not only took over the goal line for six points but he also kicked the final and tying point. The score was 19-19. With the completion of three pre-season games, UD's record is 1-1-1.

Royal Booters Win First Game of '67 in Chester Shutout

IN AN attempt to avenge the football team's loss on Monday, the varsity soccer squad swamped Chester here on Tuesday, 5-0, in the season's opener.

After the first four goals had been scored, Coaches Albert B. Jackson and Donald Paxson utilized their reserve squad which, surprisingly enough, not only scored against the Clippers' first team, but also held them scoreless.

THE FIRST half was dominated entirely by the Royals. In fact, starting goalie Glen Yacono had not even touched the ball for three quarters when he was replaced. Demos Solomon, starting at center forward, and Nick Bokus at inside each accounted for two goals with Rex Kelly booting in the fifth.

Showing great spirit and determination, the 1967 Upper Darby varsity soccer team scored their first victory in a pre-season practice game by a score of 4-2 against the Haverford School a week ago Tuesday.

THE ROYAL eleven utilized their new team setup of four linemen, two halfbacks, and four fullbacks. The first two goals were scored by the starting sophomore wing Gary Jones with assists from the other three front linemen. Demos Solomon booted UD's third goal with a tremendous shot from thirty-five yards out. The fourth score occurred when the ball was deflected off one of Haverford's fullbacks and into the goal.

The coaches, Mr. Albert B. Jackson, Mr. Donald Paxson, and Mr. Norman F. Watts, have been hard at work preparing their teams for this seasons games in the strong Central Athletic League.

JV Soccer Players Swamp Chester 8-1

FOLLOWING IN the pattern set by the varsity squad, the JV booters devastated Chester's Clippers by the score of 8-1 in their opening game here on Tuesday.

From the time the opening whistle sounded the squad peppered the Chester goalie with frequent scoring. In a pre-season game against the Haverford School a goal by Jim Grahme enabled the team to tie their opponent 1-1.

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September		
21—Plymouth-Whitmarsh	3:30	H
28—Conestoga	3:30	H
October		
3—Brandywine	3:30	A
5—Springfield	3:30	H
10—Lower Merion	3:30	A
12—Penncrest	3:30	A
17—Haverford	3:30	H
19—Radnor	3:30	H
26—Marple Newtown	3:45	A
31—Ridley High	3:30	A
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2—Harrilton	3:30	A

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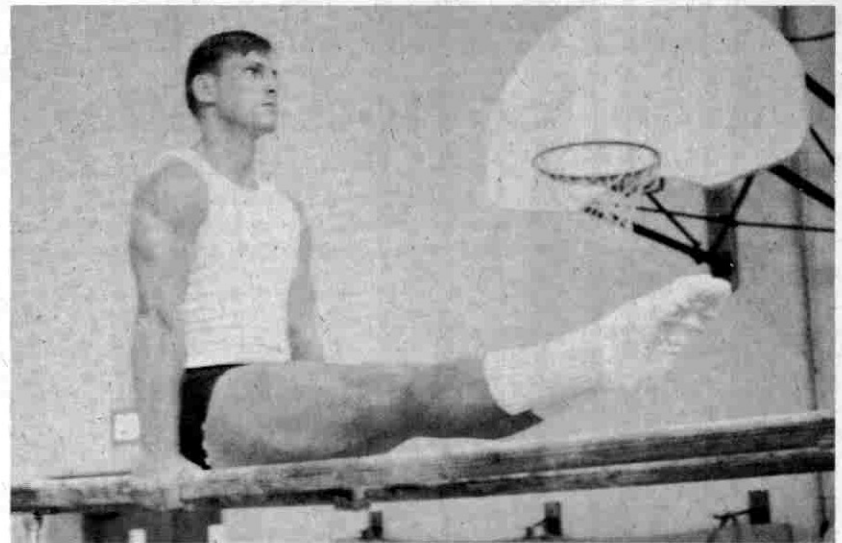
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NEW GYM COACH . . . Showing the grim determination which he hopes will be part of the new gym team, Donald Covington displays excellent form on the parallel bars during one of his afternoon workouts in the gym.

New Gym Coach Foresees Successful Season Ahead

by Randy Porter

"THE DESIRE to work hard and learn" are the only pre-requisites of a good gymnast, according to Mr. Donald W. Covington, coach of this year's gym team, which will be a varsity team.

Mr. Covington is willing to teach gymnastics to any boy who possesses these two qualities. He feels that gymnastics will be very successful as an interscholastic sport at Upper Darby and predicts a good team "if the boys will really work at it." **BEFORE COMING** to Upper Darby High School, the tall, blonde-haired gym teacher taught at Springfield High School of Montgomery County. At Springfield he was the coach of a gym club.

He graduated from Temple University where he was on teams in football and gymnastics with a B.S. degree. His interest in gymnastics occurred in his sophomore year at Temple. Tumbling and the parallel bars are his favorite areas of gymnastics, and one can see him any day after school practicing in the gym.

The gym team will be part of the winter sports season along with wrestling and basketball, although Mr. Covington feels that one must practice the year round to become a good gymnast. There are two kinds of gymnasts: the all-around man and the specialist. Mr. Covington prefers the all-around type of person because "you can have six different personalities on the different pieces of apparatus."

LAST YEAR the Royal gym team as a club had meets against Coatesville, Ridley, and Springfield, beating Ridley and losing in tough meets to Coatesville and Springfield. Rather than have a large number of meets, Mr. Covington would prefer to spend time "developing a team that would make a good showing in the league."

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