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THE INFIRMARY has reported a large number of students with broken hands and fingers since the performances of the All School Show over the weekend. An uninformed nurse expressed a fear that an epidemic of a rare, exotic disease called karate had set in. . . . TEACHERS WHILED away their bus trip to Harrisburg by singing interminable rounds of "99 Bottles of Beer on the Wall" SEVERAL STUDENTS in a certain course have remarked that trying to do well in the course is like trying to go up a down escalator when it's going down faster than you're going up. . . . THE UPPER Darby Conspiration-Dodging Association has, unlike Governor Rockefeller, intimated that it would reject even a sincere and honest draft. . . . IN ORDER to help pacify and sooth many Seniors anxiously awaiting the advent of April 15 and the resulting letters from colleges, The Acorn will publish a weekly inspiration. This week: Students should be encouraged by the fact that they must attend school for only another 200,000 seconds. . . .

Yours truly,
Colonel Acorn

Wada, Caruso Receive Royal Regent Trophies

by Andrea Paskman

KYOTO WADA and Joanne Caruso were selected King and Queen of the All School Show, which was held on Friday and Saturday nights last week. Kyoto gave a karate exhibition and Joanne sang a medley of songs from West Side Story.

These two, along with eight other nominees, performed in four special assemblies and were selected by a ballot of the student body. The Acorn acted as board of elections.

The title of the show was, "It's A Happening Here," and the acts were united by comedy MC's Cindy Day, "Stevie" Street, Don Lee, Chris Leinberger, and Kyoto Wada. They per-



KING OF SHOW . . . Kyoto Wada, king of the All School Show, is about to break a piece of wood in half with his bare hand. He has a black belt in karate.

Paskman Procures Film Review Award

ONCE AGAIN, Andrea Paskman has been named a monthly winner in the Film Review Awards Program sponsored jointly by Scholastic Roto and the MPAA. Andrea was a December winner for her review of Camelot.

Andrea won twice before for her review of movies at Expo '67 in September and for her review of The Happiest Millionaire in November. She had no reviews printed in October.

Andrea is still a member of the "Critics' Circle" for those who have won more than once, and her reviews will continue to be eligible for monthly judging and the year-end prizes that include a trip to Hollywood.

Presidents' Council to Publish Schedule of School Activities

AT THE second meeting of the Presidents' Council February 28, about 35 members discussed methods of publicizing club meetings in such a way as to avoid overlapping scheduling.

Among the proposals was that there be a sheet distributed weekly to announce club activities, or that a sign listing activities be posted in the cafeteria. It was also suggested that The Acorn publish a weekly list of meetings and activities.

Joan Misirian, who presided over the meeting, asked members for information about their clubs' schedules; also, she received responses from nine organizations when she asked what major activities are coming up in the near future. In this way the Presidents' Council hopes to set up a practical schedule for club affairs.

FORMER DEPT. HEAD

Paul K. Noel Dies

PAUL K. NOEL, former head of the Upper Darby English Department, died last Tuesday in Delaware County Memorial Hospital after a prolonged illness. A graduate of Otterbein College, Mr. Noel retired from UD last year, after having spent 39 years here. He was chairman of the English department for five years.

Seniors Sills, Gillick, Erspamer Place in Science Council Contest

ROBERT SILLS, Larry Gillick, and Peter Erspamer received cash awards from the Philadelphia Science Council at a dinner Monday night for their interest and ability in science as evidenced by their performances on three examinations and in interviews. The dinner was given at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science.

Bob, who is editor of The Acorn, won \$500 by placing first in this

Hi-Q Team to Meet with Yeadon, Ridley at UD Wednesday

THE ROYAL Hi-Q team will conclude its regular schedule of matches next Wednesday in a home contest against Yeadon and Ridley. The meet will occur in a last period assembly.

Upper Darby has won its two previous meets. It scored 27 points in November at Sharon Hill and 29 in January at Lansdowne-Aldan.

UD's 28 point average puts it in sixth place. Ahead of the Royals are Interboro, with a 35.7 average (three contests); Haverford, 34 (three contests); Marple Newtown, 30.5; Ridley, 30; Chichester, 29.3 (three contests).

To place in the second series, which consists of three contests and which determines the awards at the end of the year, a team must gain at least third place in the first series.

UD will have to score at least 32 points to achieve third place and become semi-finalists; also, they will have to defeat Ridley next Wednesday by at least four points. If the team does meet these requirements, it will probably finish third if Marple Newtown, which plays its final meet one week from today, scores at least 5 fewer points than UD does next week.

The five members of UD's Hi-Q team are Philip Caton, Larry Gillick, Josie Ormsby, Richard Riley, and Robert Sills. Four of these students will participate in the next meet.

David O. Becker, head of the science department, is the head adviser of the team.

Foreign Student Enjoys Sports, Photography

ALTHOUGH KYOTO Wada's karate exhibition won him the title of King of the All School Show last week, karate is not his favorite sport. The game he enjoys most is kendo, which is the Japanese version of fencing.

Kyoto, a nineteen year old exchange student from Japan enjoys many sports. He became interested in karate because his father taught it to him when he was still a young boy. He received his black belt, an accomplishment which took him two years to achieve, about four years ago. Kyoto was a member of the judo club in Junior High School, and now he teaches this art to a friend every Saturday morning at the Community "Y". Mountain climbing is another of Kyoto's sports, and he has mastered Mt. Fuji three times.

Schools of Japan are emphatically different from those of the United States, according to Kyoto. All students of Japanese High Schools must wear uniforms. School begins at 9:00 AM and closes at 3:15 PM, and there is a homeroom check both in the morning and after the last class in the afternoon. Kyoto commented that Japanese students do not make as many jokes in class as he had witnessed here at UD. He then added that American students show a very definite tendency toward split personalities. He said that students of the U.S. can be very serious in school,

but after school they are just the opposite.

"Japanese students study very hard," stated Kyoto. "They study after school and also at night."

In Japan, a student may play only one sport a year. Baseball is the most popular sport, and there is no high school football. Other sports which are enjoyed include Ping Pong, Tennis and Swimming; the two major clubs are Karate and Judo.

The English language is taught in all Japanese Junior High Schools, and it is a required subject. Kyoto added, however, that most students do not like to learn it. He also commented on the inter-mixing of students of different grades in classes. He stated that in Japan, this is never done.

Television in Japan has very few

UD Officials Change Honor Roll Requisite

BEGINNING AT the end of this report period, requirements for the honor rolls will be changed so as to remove certain inequities, according to a circular distributed to staff members last week by Dr. Charles J. Moore, principal.

The new system will be primarily based on the quality point average of a student's grade. To earn honor roll status, one will have to achieve a 3.0

point average and earn no grade lower than a "C". Requirements for distinguished honor roll are an average of 3.8 and no grade lower than a "B".

The quality point average indicates the average grade, where an "A" is 4 points, "B" is 3 points, and "C" is 2 points. Each subject will be weighted in proportion to the number of periods it includes each week.

The reason for the change are that a student with a generally excellent record can be eliminated from the honor rolls because of a single "C"; also, until now, all subjects have been weighted equally. The purpose of the new system is to remove these inequities and to reward students more fairly for scholastic achievement.

Advisers Select 16 at Dramatic Tryouts

TRYOUTS FOR the spring play, The Imaginary Invalid by Moliere, were held Tuesday. Of the twelve available parts, four are female and eight male. Casting in room 130, Miss Frieda E. Reed and Miss Maizie G. Weil, advisers, selected the actors.

The cast had its first organizational meeting on Wednesday. Those chosen for the parts were as follows:

Jeff Aldridge—Mr. Ardin, the invalid; Lisa Yanak, Bobbie DiSylvestro—Toinette, the maid; Michele Grinberg, Nancy West—Angelique, the older daughter of Ardin; Sally Halbert, Jill Crollick—Beline, wife of Ardin; Pat O'Hara—Monsieur du-Bonnefois, notary; Sam Paul—Clenante, lover of Angelique; John Shedwick—Monsieur Defois, a doctor; Charles Horvath—Thomas, doctor's son; Lynn Smith, Janice Graham—Louise, younger daughter of Ardin; Paul Mattis—Beralde, brother of Ardin; Rob Field—Monsieur Fleurante, apothecary; Joe Fanelli—Monsieur, another doctor.

200 UD Teachers March in Harrisburg

APPROXIMATELY 20,000 educators participated in Monday's demonstration in support of better Pennsylvania education. The Upper Darby branch of the Pennsylvania State Education Association was represented by over 200 teachers in the rally at the state capitol. Various high government officials spoke at the rally.

Opinions of the rally varied among UD teachers. One commented that the crowd was a mixed one and contained both young and old teachers. Feeling that news media overplayed the boozing at the rally, she said that the teachers assembled and dispersed with a minimum of confusion.

Another teacher dissented, saying that the behavior should have been better than it was. He felt that the demonstration was not in keeping with the ideals of the profession.

Seniors Turn in Scholarship Forms

EIGHTEEN SCHOLARSHIPS are being offered to graduating seniors through the Scholarship Committee of Upper Darby Senior High School, according to Peter E. Bernardino, assistant principal.

At a meeting last week in the band room applications were handed out to the more than 100 Royals who were attending. Applications were due in Mr. Bernardino's office Wednesday.

Bases for the awards vary; generally they include categories such as scholarship, service, leadership, financial need. All applicants will be interviewed later in the year.

competition, which is for all high schools in the Delaware Valley. Larry, who is news editor of The Acorn, won \$200 for his third place performance; and Pete was one of nine students to receive \$100 from the Science Council. Larry and Bob also won subscriptions to Scientific American for very high scores on the physics examination.

EACH HIGH school in the area was permitted to send 10 seniors to take the examinations, which were given in the Fall at the College of Pharmacy and Science. Each student took an aptitude test and examinations in two of three sciences—biology, chemistry, and physics. More than 300 seniors took these tests.

In December, 6 of the 10 Royals who entered the contest were invited to interviews at the Franklin Institute. They were Peter Erspamer, Larry Gillick, Sheldon Miller, Richard Riley, Robert Sills, and Bradley Smith. Joel Alcott, Mark Korejko, Steven Latsios, and David McCarty also had taken the tests. Only 75 of the original 300 students were invited for interviews.

Several weeks ago, 5 of the 6 seniors who were interviewed were invited to the dinner; they were Pete, Larry, Sheldon, Bob, and Bradley.

DR. LOUIS F. GREEN, a professor of astromomy at Haverford College, lectured on high energy astrophysics after the dinner. The awards were given after his speech.

Upper Darby students won more money in the competition than students from any other high school. Others high schools that had finalists in the competition include Central High School, Lower Merion, Haverford, Radnor, Springfield, and Northeast High School.

In the past, UD students have compiled a very fine record on these examinations. Two years ago, Allen Schlaifer placed third in the competition.

ACCORDING TO Greek mythology, Prometheus, who committed the sin of kindness to man, received from Zeus the punishment of being chained forever to a cliff. Each day, a vulture constantly pecked at his liver; each night, his liver was restored, only to be attacked again the following day.

Upper Darby's halls are quite similar to Prometheus' liver. Every day, they are gradually filled with litter; every night, they are swept in vain, only to be blemished again the next day.

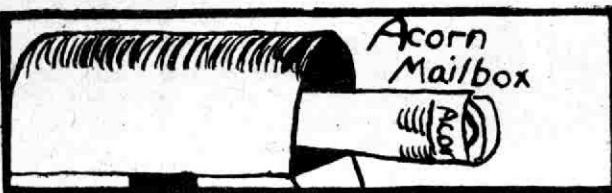
IN ONE recent survey, for example, 14 easily seen pieces of litter were found on the second-floor halls alone surrounding the auditorium; at least 15 smaller pieces were also sighted. Other findings included at least 16 pieces of litter in one flight of stairs and at least 22 pieces in one locker recess. To these eyesores may be added the countless pieces in desks. Leading the line of litter are chewing gum wrappers, followed in second place by scraps of notebook paper.

No excuse can justify such carelessness — it must be carelessness, since most students would probably not deface the school merely for the sake of malice. The condition of the old building is, indeed, far from ideal. Students can control neither the termites in the wood nor the pigeons in the belfry. They can, nevertheless, eliminate such demeaning qualities as trash on the floor or scribbling on the walls — features which serve only to worsen the appearance of the building.

There are other reasons why the antiquity of the school does not justify littering. In the first place, there are, in some districts, schools that have fewer facilities and more defects than UD does; their students, however, often do a much better job at keeping the floors clean than do Royals.

FUTHERMORE, WITH the construction of a new high school promised in the near future, the school will improve in many ways, including aesthetically. Royals should strive to keep the corridors clean not only to show that they have pride in their school but also to demonstrate that they will be capable of treating the new wings with similar respect.

Motorists who litter on the highways are fined heavily. Although Royals do not have to pay \$50 for carelessly throwing a gum wrapper on the floor, they should avoid littering out a sense of moral, if not legal, obligation. If every student would try to resist the urge to discard trash until he reaches a wastebasket, the interior appearance of the school would be improved considerably; and after all, the betterment of UD's halls is surely worth a few extra ergs of work.



MIRRORS, MIRRORS . . . When WILL there be a mirror on the top floor in the girls' lavatory? I have quite a few classes on that floor. It would be a help if I could see myself. After all, students can't comb their hair in class. I think we could improve the looks of UD by getting that mirror. K.S. '70

MRS. KAREN L. MISELIS

Plans Trip Abroad

by Karen Kiley '70

WHILE SHE was attending Jackson College in Massachusetts, one of the new French teachers, Mrs. Karen L. Miselis, met and fell in love with her future husband who was also a student there. While she was waiting



MRS. KAREN L. MISELIS

for him to get his degree, she taught in a high school in Cambridge. Mr. Miselis applied at the University of Pennsylvania to further his education in biology and was accepted, and that is how she happened to come to Upper Darby.

Mrs. Miselis is a very attractive brunette of medium height. Her outside interests include skiing, which she became interested in through her husband and sewing. She also plays the piano, and has just purchased a guitar which she hopes to learn to play. She is now engaged in a graduate course at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Miselis has never traveled abroad, but this summer she and her husband will see the realization of many dreams, for they are taking a trip to the continent.

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MIKE DOUGLAS

Audience Reaction Is Essential to Show

by Sheila Paskman '70

GETTING AHEAD isn't easy, according to television personality Mike Douglas. "It took me a lot of years," he told student reporters at a conference at his KYW studio on Thursday, February 22.

Mike began his career in Chicago at the age of eleven singing any place he could get employment. He worked at a great many small jobs including singing aboard a cruise ship which sailed about the Great Lakes. His first real break came when he was "discovered" by Kay Kyser. He sang for Kay's band. He then did local shows in and around Chicago.

IN 1961, when Mike was in his mid-thirties, his big break finally came when Cleveland's Group W station picked him as host for a 90-minute variety show. With a twinkle in his blue eyes Mike told the students about his being the first person to win an Emmy Award for a syndicated show.

Since his show has moved from Cleveland to Philadelphia Mike finds it more exciting. Because Philadelphia is close to New York Mike can have many more guests of greater stature, yet he is not subject to the strict rule placed on shows in New York.

Discussion of the move started Mike talking about Philadelphia. He does not believe any old standard jokes about the city. "I don't find Philadelphia dull," Mike said sincerely.

MIKE'S ONLY problem is a mild complaint about the studio his show is shot in. The studio has led to many jokes like "I was in the Douglas closet the other day." It is small and was originally a storage room for props.

HORRORSCOPE

for Acorn No. 20ers

IN REPLY to requests made by local witches, sorcerers, soothsayers, and wizards, the Acorn is publishing a horoscope as a special feature. This week, our seers explore the fate of those unfortunate people who were born under an Acorn No. 20. Your Birthday This Week:

We don't wish to discourage you, but our duty requires us to tell you The Facts concerning your future. It is not a bright one. If at all possible, avoid taking or even thinking about tests: we cannot promise, however, that this method will ward off the evil that must occur whenever there is a conjunction of the production of a 20th Acorn with a day off. Worrying will do no good, so don't try. Accept your fate with a gleam in your eye, with a song in your heart, with beer in your mouth (and any other devices that you deem appropriate). As a comment on your fate, the seer in Julius Caesar once (almost) said: Beware the Acorn 20er.

In conclusion, if we may we'd like to make one more recommendation: don't take yourself or anyone seriously, for as is said to Acorn 11ers, nothing is all, and all is nonsense.

Because the studio is small the show has a problem with audience reaction, which is essential to the show. "If we don't have audience reaction, we're in trouble," Mike told the students. "It is our link with the home audience." To help the audience react loudly enough, the use



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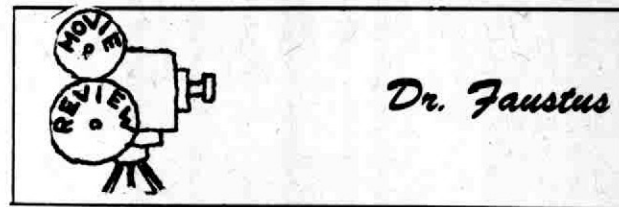
of reaction signs is employed. These signs say such words as "applause."

The actors on the show also use cards called cue cards. The cards are used to aid the people, not to feed them their line. Mike uses these cards for his songs. Mike told the students he knew hundreds of songs but sometimes needs the cards to boost his memory. "The real problem," Mike said "comes when the camera moves; then the cue card man moves, and you forget your lyrics and have to make up something that rhymes."

Mike also developed quite a knack for mediating discussions. Sometimes there are guests on the show who disagree and Mike has to change subjects quickly yet easily to avoid heated arguments. Mike told of two guests who had a heated discussion on Vietnam. Although he tried, he had a hard time quieting it. Finally Mike was saved by a commercial break.

Mike then gave the student reporters a scoop which the professional papers had not yet published. He told the students that he had just signed the contracts for his first motion picture. He is to play the Irish priest who started Boys' Town after World War II.

Mike was very friendly and witty; he set the students at ease immediately. Mike wore a single-breasted blue suit which set off the blue in his eyes to their best advantage. He had a winning smile and often resembled a leprechaun.



Dr. Faustus

by Andrea Paskman '68

REMEMBER THE Spook House ride? You got into the car and you were bumped back and forth while you saw eerie lights, skulls, skeletons and the like. There were always weird cackles and other assorted spooky noises. You were knocked around so much that by the time you got out nothing made any sense and you couldn't tell up from down. That's the feeling that a viewing of the film version of Christopher Marlowe's classic tragedy Dr. Faustus gives.

The famous story concerns a scholar who sells his soul to the devil for twenty-four years of youth and assorted other pleasures. Mephistophilis is always on hand to provide whatever the good doctor requests. Although he has signed an unescapable contract (in blood, no less) that brings him much pleasure, Faustus questions his decision. Finally he decides, too late, to repent and is dragged down to hell.

AT LEAST, that's the way it was in the play. Although adaptor Nevill Coghill (who co-directed with the film's star Richard Burton) keeps the story the same, he has added some things that Marlowe would not recognize, or, it is fairly certain, approve of. For one thing he seems to imply that it is the flitting image of Elizabeth Taylor who convinces Faustus to sign the unearthly contract and who finally lures him into hell. Burton has made sure that his wife, though she has no lines, is never far from view. She appears in parts original and added, including Helen of Troy and a "silver-plated" spirit of the paramour of Alexander the Great. She is, as always, beautiful but would be even more so if she would rid herself of some of her excess poundage.

From a technical viewpoint, this film is outstanding. There are vivid colors, sets, and costumes that, although they are in a cross of early Disneyland and late psychedelical, are visually appealing. Yet this kaleidoscopic fascination for the eye and the fancy, un-explicable, camera shots only tend to confuse the story and make it more incomprehensible. There is some visual symbolism that is purely first-grade, such as the evil angel speaking through a skull while the good angel communicates through a crucifix.

RICHARD BURTON might as well have kept his magnificent voice mute. He may be giving a good performance but with all the things that are happening, who can tell? In supporting roles, besides his mate, is his alma mater, The Oxford University Dramatic Society, with one member, Andreas Teuber, standing out as Mephistophilis, the devil in the garb of a monk.

Bad films come and go, usually without a fuss. The unfortunate thing is that too many people who see this sugar pill with a hallucinatory effect will think that they are digesting a classic when all that they're getting is, at best, a watered down version. It is suggested that you "read the book before you see the movie." Fascinating the film may be. Marlowe it most certainly isn't.

REVIEW

Tom Paxton

by Randy Porter '68

SOME WRITE a book, some stage public protest, and some fight the authority in order to express their opinions of society. With D-28 guitar in hand, folksinger Tom Paxton expressed his views about the world through song and dialogue at the Academy of Music on February 23. Along with the Vietnam war and army bayonet training, he talked and sang about such topics as Claire Bloom, the leading lady in James Joyce's Ulysses, poetic license for songwriters, and rock and roll. Accordingly, this partially bald headed folksinger and composer of the present rock and roll hit "Bottle of Wine" said, "I would have been a rock and roll singer, but," pointing at his receding dom, "I couldn't pass the physical." Paxton also composed the song used on the Ken-L-Ration dog food commercials, "My Dog's Bigger than Your Dog."

Unlike some of the other protest singers such as Bob Dylan, Paxton doesn't become enraged while singing but maintains a degree of objectiveness and humor. In one talking blues song, he sang of how the Vietnam and allied troops spend their time together in Vietnam smoking pot and getting smashed. Although he doesn't like to be classified as a protest singer or any other immovable classification, he does protest and feels that anyone who can't comment on his environment is in sad shape. He can't be classed as a protest singer, because his repertoire contains just as many love songs, children songs, and just plain fun songs such as "Bottle of Wine."

In one dialogue between songs, he discussed his bayonet training in which all the recruits were told to shout when they thrust their rifle at the enemy. "If I'm sitting in a foxhole, and some guy's running at me with his bayonet, the last thing I'm gonna say is 'I hope he doesn't yell at me.'" Throughout the performance he was having difficulty tuning his guitar. Towards the end of the concert in one of these tight situations while trying to get in tune he said, "Don't ever get a cheap guitar," in reference to his \$400 Martin.

Although the audience wasn't as large as some of the other Academy concerts and some of Tom Paxton's performances elsewhere, it was an enthusiastic group of folk lovers which surprisingly included a number of adults. After receiving an overwhelming ovation at the close of the show, Mr. Paxton performed two more songs and left them as a very satisfied group of fans of Tom Paxton for life.

Lacrosse Team to Begin Ninth Season March 11

THE UD lacrosse team, which officially starts practice on March 11, has been organizing under the direction of coach Barbara L. Mirth and Mrs. Joan M. Briggs, this year's assistant coach. Since the team cannot start practice now, they are taking part in the Slimnastics program, which is also under the direction of Miss Mirth.

The team, which is in its ninth year of existence after being organized and having its first varsity team in 1959, has a new schedule. Their first game, which is at home, will be against Lower Merion on April 11. This year the Crossettes will be playing schools in the new Central League. The schools are Conestoga, Harriton, Haverford, Lower Merion, Marple Newtown, Penncrest, Radnor, Ridley and Springfield.

THOUGH LOSING their hardest and biggest opponent, Plymouth-Whitmarsh, the Crossettes have picked up Springfield, who now is their toughest opposition. Other than this, the girls are preparing for what they hope will be an undefeated season. Last year, their record was 5-1-2 after a defeat in the opening game against Plymouth-Whitmarsh. After this defeat, the Crossettes went on to a five-game winning streak.

After the season opens and practice has begun, the girls will begin a daily routine of jumping rope to records, doing exercises, both with

and without their crosses; and when the weather breaks, running the quarter mile occasionally and playing practice scrimmage games. The purpose of the quarter-mile run, says Miss Mirth, is to build up the running speed of the girls, since La Crosse is primarily a game of running.

THIS YEAR, nearly fifty girls have signed up for the team. Miss Mirth does not let this fact bother her though, for the first two weeks of training are so vigorous that any person who can make it through these two weeks deserves to be eligible for the team.

There are eleven returning Varsity letter winners this year: Patty Berhle, Robin Davis, Cindy Day, Pat Fagan, Pat Glennon, Pat Hicks, Naomie Kaminsky, Sheri La Flamme, Vicki Mirkil, Chris Rankin, and Kathy Wiesinger, captain.

Slimnastics Group Gives Instructions on Weight Problems

ANY GIRL who has a problem with either losing or gaining weight has been able to receive instruction in what to do about her problem in a Slimnastics group, which is headed by Barbara J. Mirth.

The main purpose of the group is to show girls how to lose or gain weight, not only by exercise, but also by proper diet.

The first day that the group met the girls did vigorous exercises to build up strength in their arms, legs, and backs; and exercises to help remove excess weight from the legs, hips, and waistline. Miss Mirth also stressed the importance of continuing the exercises at home, along with curbing the diet.

Along with the exercises, there was a series of agility runs, to build up endurance. The Slimnastics group will meet a total of five times, in order to orientate the girls in a way of training.

At the end of the session some girls jumped rope to the accompaniment of music. This group was dominated by prospective lacrosse players.



THERE IS one club in Upper Darby that has done much to help improve school spirit. Although all students are quick to criticize UD's spirit, they must admit that at some away varsity games there have been more Royals there than students from the opposing school. The club that has helped is the Pep Club under the supervision of Sue Siranian, president, and Mel A. Brodsky, club adviser.

To begin with, during the football season, the club sold balloons, buttons, horns, pens, and shakers in the cafeteria. Besides selling, they painted signs, decorated the football field, and held a pep rally before the Conestoga game.

During the winter season the Pep Club had signs printed up stating the time, place, and opponents UD would be playing against. On January 19, team day, a pep rally was held honoring the different teams. Next season they hope to continue having signs made and want to hold another pep rally to honor the spring sport squads.

Even though the Pep Club is not printing signs and not selling things as they did earlier this year, the spirit they started in UD will probably continue on this spring.

Although the club members do not have definite plans for next year, they will probably continue doing what they have been doing this school year.

LIBRARY NEWS

College Lists "Best Books"

IN ORDER to help college bound students choose the "best books" to be read to prepare them for college, a list of books has been set up by the books that the students and faculty at Mount Holyoke read or wished they had read before going to college. The list is published in a pamphlet entitled "Reading for Pleasure in High School." All these books can be found in Upper Darby's school library.

Royal Rations

MONDAY
SOUP: Split pea. **HOT PLATTER:** Italian spaghetti, buttered spinach or cauliflower palanise, tossed salad, homebaked French bread and butter, and milk. **COLD PLATTER:** Liverwurst and onion on rye bread, macaroni salad, vegetable mold, tossed salad, chilled peaches, and milk. **SALADS:** Tossed salad bowl with cheddar cheese, vegetable mold with cottage cheese, macaroni salad with bologna rolls, poars with cottage cheese.

TUESDAY
SOUP: Vegetable. **HOT PLATTER:** Baked spiced ham on homebaked roll, macaroni and cheese, French-styled green beans, or Harvard beets, and milk. **COLD PLATTER:** Cup of vegetable soup, haggie, coleslaw, chilled applesauce, and milk. **SALAD:** Tomato aspic with sliced eggs, potato salad with cold cuts, coleslaw and tomato wedges, peaches and cottage cheese.

WEDNESDAY
SOUP: Corn chowder. **HOT PLATTER:** Orange juice, shepherds pie, gravy, minced carrots or buttered broccoli, raisin muffin and butter, and milk. **COLD PLATTER:** Baked ham on seed roll, potato salad, under the sea salad, apple raisin crisp, and milk. **SALADS:** Under-the-sea salad, egg salad and tomato wedges, potato salad and egg slices, pineapple and cottage cheese.

THURSDAY
SOUP: Turkey vegetable. **HOT PLATTER:** Hot turkey sandwich and gravy, fluffy rice, savory peas, or diced white and yellow turnips cranberry-applesauce mold, and milk. **COLD PLATTER:** Orange juice, sliced egg and lettuce on homebaked roll, cranberry-applesauce mold, waldorf salad, and milk. **SALAD:** Turkey salad, macaroni salad and deviled egg, waldorf salad, fruit mold with cottage cheese.

FRIDAY
SOUP: Cream of mushroom. **HOT PLATTER:** Homebaked pizza, ovenbaked noodles, southern green beans or buttered yellow squash, tossed salad, and milk. **COLD PLATTER:** Turkey salad or tuna salad on homebaked roll, potato salad, tossed salad, fruit compote or orange juice. **SALADS:** Tuna fish salad, potato salad with cheese wedges, tossed salad bowl with egg slices, fresh pineapple salad.

Mott and Freestyle Relay Team Break Two Swimming Records

SEVEN UPPER Darby fingals competed in the district swim meet February 23. The girls who attended the meet were Karen Jackson, a 9th grader; Chris Engle, Sue Felts, Popper Lynch, and Bonnie Mott, juniors; and Dena DiBona and Linda Missar, seniors.

Two school records were broken by the girls at the district meet. Bonnie Mott placed sixth in the fifty-yard butterfly with a time of 30.5 seconds. She bettered her previous school record by .4 seconds. The freestyle relay team also broke the previous school record with a time of 1:53.8. This team, consisting of Dena DiBona,

Chris Engle, Sue Felts, and Bonnie Mott, placed sixth in the district competition.

Linda Missar won her heat in the butterfly competition and placed twenty-fourth in the overall fly contest; she placed twenty-fifth in the fifty-yard freestyle. Popper Lynch placed twenty-third in the breaststroke event. Dena DiBona was seventeenth in the fifty-yard freestyle, while Sue Felts was tenth in both the fifty and hundred-yard freestyle competitions. Chris Engle was ninth in the backstroke events. Bonnie Mott, who won both of her heats, was seventh in the backstroke and sixth in the butterfly. The medley relay team, made up of Dena DiBona, Karen Jackson, Popper Lynch, and Linda Missar, was fifteenth.

Rotary Club Gives Awards to 3 Girls

A LUNCHEON sponsored by the Rotary Club was held at Drexelbrook country club on Wednesday to honor the Most Valuable Players of the various winter sports. This year's Most Valuable Players for girls' sports are Cherie LaFlamme, basketball; Jo Anne Martorelli, cheerleading; and Bonnie Mott, swimming.

Cherie, who is a junior, has played on the basketball team for the past two years. Both years she was a member of the varsity team.

Jo Anne, a senior, has been a member of the cheerleading squad since her sophomore year at Upper Darby. This year she is captain of the squad.

Bonnie Mott, a junior, has been an outstanding swimmer on the varsity team for the past three years. She holds three school swimming records. One is for the individual medley, in which her time is 1:11.3 seconds; the others are for the butterfly, 30.9 seconds; and for the backstroke, 30.4 seconds.

All three girls received trophies given to them by the Upper Darby Rotary Club.

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Andy Matter to Enter States after Regional Victory

Dambman Conquers Third Place with Win in Regional Wrestle-off

DOMINATING HIS match, with over and four and one-half minutes of riding time, Andy Matter advanced to the PIAA championship semi-finals tomorrow when he scored a 6-3 decision over Dennis Ibach of Manheim Central at the State Farm Arena in Harrisburg Friday. Andy's riding time showed he completely overwhelmed his adversary, who had only 16 seconds of time.

Carl Dambman also wrestled as runner-up to the district champ against the other runner-up since both had lost in the finals at the district meets two weeks ago. Carl took an 11-0 decision from Mike Roth of Warwick. It was an upset for Roth since Carl had lost to him last year 8-2 and Roth was 34-0 going into their match. With this victory Carl came in third in the region, having wrestled his best match ever.

Tomorrow, Andy goes against Al Walker from Mt. Lebanon of District Seven. If he wins, he will go into the finals tomorrow evening against the winner of the other 154-pound class bout, either Sam Beegle of Bedford or Bob Lawrence of Hellertown.

The only other man from the Central League in tomorrow's Championship is Ivan Bell of Haverford, who becomes a regional champ after pinning his opponent at Harrisburg Friday.

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Spring Sports

ACCORDING TO Central League regulations, spring sports are not permitted to begin formal practice until March 10.

Since that day is a Sunday, the baseball, golf, lacrosse, tennis, and track teams will hold their first day of practice on Monday, AA director Albert B. Jackson announces.

UD are expected to go to Penn State to see Andy Matter try to bring the Royals' first state wrestling title.

Winter Sports Athletes Receive Letters in Assembly Thursday

A TOTAL of 107 athletes participating in nine sports received varsity awards and 51 received junior varsity awards in the AA assembly in the gymnasium yesterday. Both boys and girls winter sports athletes were honored in this assembly. There were eight third-year awards, 22 second-year awards, and 77 first-year awards presented at that time. The cheerleaders also received their letters as well as the basketball, bowling, gymnastics, rifle, swimming and wrestling teams.

CHEERLEADERS: First year awards went to Robin Brooker, Linda Davies, Linda Germano, Karin Goodwin, Barbara Heenan and Nancy Martorelli. Second-year awards went to Barbara Bergman, Patti David, Arlene Dietrich, and Carol Hamblon. Third year award went to Joanne Martorelli.

GIRLS JV BASKETBALL: Pam Bland, Beverly Childs, Robin Davis, Pat Feinblatt, Anne Finelli, Debbie Ford, Sue Van Rensler, Anne Shay, Carol Smith, Linda Stroh, and Roth Vaites.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: First-year awards went to Paula Krumboltz, Cherie La Flamme, Louise Morris, Chris Rankin, Bonnie Shay, and Donna Smith. Second-year awards went to Roberta Braslow, Barbara Boyce, Carolyn Faalev, and Kathy Weisinger.

GIRLS SWIMMING: First-year awards went to Jennie Blair, manager, Patricia Hicks and Georgeanne Moyer. Second-year awards went to Kris Engle, Lyla Lynch, and Linda Missar. Third-year awards went to Dena DiBona, Sue Felts, Bonnie Mott.

GIRLS JV SWIMMING: Mary Bowman, Sharon Gray, Karen Jackson, Barbara Kearney.

BOYS' BASKETBALL: First-year awards went to Sandy Cavilli, Danny Correnti, Fred Hoque, Tom Richards, Dave Scanlon, Clark Schillite, Steve Moyer, Statistician, Bob Van Dahlen, Mark Vernon, manager, and Steve Wilson. Second-year awards went to Jack Burns, Bob Furia, John Harms. Third-year award went to Lee Tress.

BOYS JV BASKETBALL: Gary Bage, Ed Burns, George Byrnes, Tom DiSalvatore, Richard Evans.

BOYS BOWLING: Dave Brown, Bob Connor, Mike Wells, Ken Van Horn.

JV BOWLING: Ken Gordon, Ed Johnson, Hugo Dryblebiss, Bob Sunshine, Steve Sunshine, Howard Wright.

GYMNASTICS: First year awards to Joel Alcoff, Peter Burke, Brian Coughlin, Toby George, Fred Light, Tom Quinn, Jerry Rhoton, Dave Gilmore, Gary Jones, Jay Mullen, Glenn Rodgers, Loren Thomas.

JV GYMNASTICS: Christian Christensen, Manager, Fred Craig, Ron Fender, Daniel Hey, Roy Stahl.

RIFLE TEAM: First-year went to John Antisavaque, Wayne Crawford, Phil Gilmore, Pete Erspamer, Wayne Sierer, George Taylor and Cindy Wentz, manager. Second-year awards went to Marilyn Jenkins and Beth Sitter.

BOYS SWIMMING: First-year awards went to Joe Andrews, James Barr, Charles Bartler, Frank Houseman, manager, Scott Miller, Tom Quinn. Second-year awards went to Alex Morton, Richard Roan.

WRESTLING: First-year awards to Ben Cheng, John Clendenning, Peter Earle, Kendric Eisenberg, Jim Hodnett, John Millison, Mark Rosen, Gary Sheehan, Ronald Sheehan, Edward Subkis, Jon C. Wilson.

Second-year awards went to James Arbutkie, Carl Dambman, Chris Leimberger, Robert Martin. Third-year awards went to Andy Matter, Tom Westervelt, and Karl Zearfoss.

JV WRESTLING: Steve Brooks, Frank Burns, Ronald Corapi, Andrew D'Allesandro, Mike Erspames, James Gaston, Dale Gauzza, James Graham, Richard Guest, William Herion, Scott Isard, Richard Martin, Mike McGary, Richard Sharpless, Neil Smith, John Watson, Carl Winshel.

Gymnasts Close Season with Loss to Coatesville

by Randy Porter

CLOSING THEIR first season as a varsity team with a 5-1 record, the gymnastics squad dropped their final meet of the season Feb. 28 at Coatesville by a score of 250.8-245.3.

Brian Coughlin, who suffered his second loss of the season in that meet as all-around gymnast, closed his season with a 4-2 record and finished undefeated on his best piece of apparatus, the high bar. Likewise, Upper Darby's most powerful team, the free-acts team, finished the season undefeated. ACCORDING TO Coach Donald W. Covington, the loss to Coatesville was very important in giving the team experience in losing. Experience will definitely be the key to next year's team since this year's squad was comprised mostly of underclassmen.

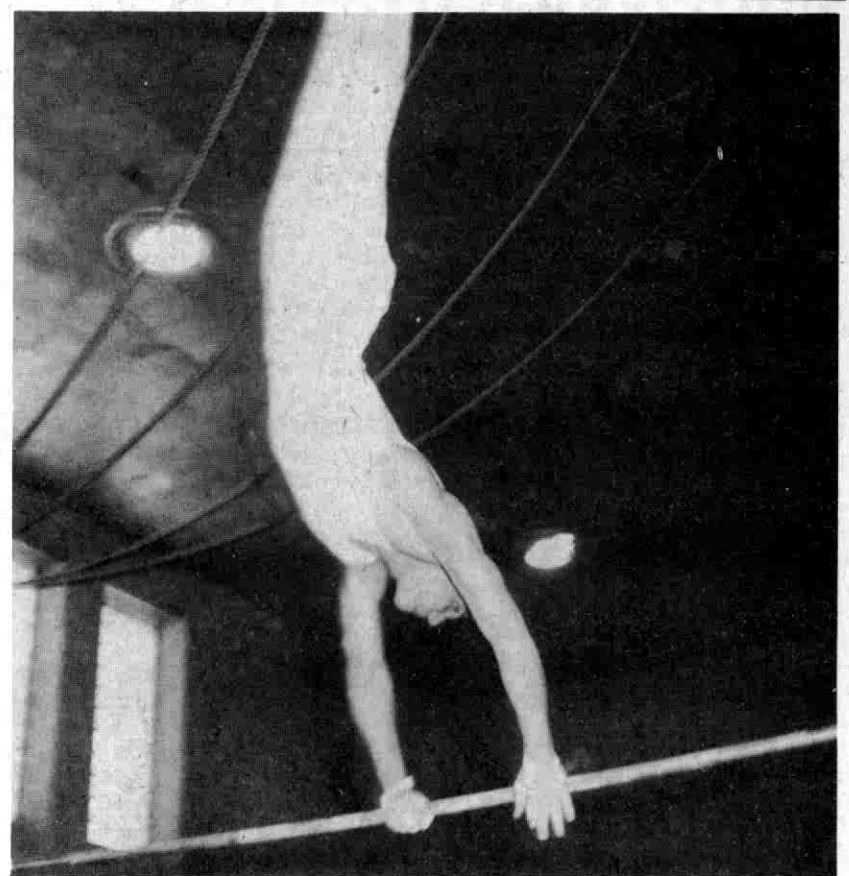
Coatesville was a good team, but the Royals could have defeated them had everyone performed the same as in previous meets. The few points

which the team forfeited because some of the key performers weren't performing up to par meant the difference between a win and a loss for the gymnasts.

Glenn Rodgers and Brian Coughlin will form the nucleus for next year's team. Both of these gymnasts are proficient on all the apparatus.

OTHER BRIGHT spots in next year's team will be Dave Gilmore on long horses and Jay Mullen on parallel bars and rings. In addition, Coach Covington hopes to improve the side horse team, which was the gymnasts weakest event, with such side horse men as Pete Burke, Jerry Rhoton, Glenn Rodgers, and Roy Stahl.

Against Coatesville, the Royal gymnasts swept the floor exercises 42.5-28.9 but then lost the side horse, horizontal bar, and long horse events by a difference of two points or less. After dropping the parallel bars, the team was ahead by two points but lost the meet in the last event, still rings, to a good team from Coatesville by a 35.6-43.8 deficit. This loss in the rings gave the opposing gymnasts their 5.5 marginal victory.



UP AND AWAY . . . Sophomore Brian Coughlin displays the winning form which gave him an undefeated season on the horizontal bar and a 4-2 record as all-around gymnast.

Keglers Win Three Games Wednesday against Ridley High

The keglers, fresh from a 968 game the week before, gained three wins over Ridley Feb. 28.

Dave Brown, with a 211, paced the Royals to a 883-802 victory in the first game. Ken Van Horn and Steve Sunshine helped out with a 194 and 191.

Ridley won the second game 912-829. High for UD was Sunshine with a 178; Bob Conner posted a 175.

Van Horn, with a 186, led the Royals in the third game to a 853-840 victory. Conner, 179, and Mick Wells, 176, insured the win. Van Horn beat out Sunshine for high series, 534 to 533. The Royals took total pins, 2565-2554.

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