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## Exchange Students Reside With Duke, Stout Families

Under the auspices of the International Fellowship Program, Wellsville High School hosted 13-year-old Gabriel Camancho from Mexico City.

"Gabe" arrived in September to spend several weeks with the Stout family as part of the exchange program which took Louise Stout to Hawaii and Reita Duke to Peru last summer. He attended classes with Larry, Louise's brother, who is an eighth grader.

### "Frito Bandito"

Nicknamed "Frito Bandito" and "Mexican Rebel" by members of the football team, "Gabe" received an honorary manager's letter for his efforts as a football manager. Chip Attwood, another of the managers, said this of him, "Some of his habits were pretty weird, but it was lots of fun to be with him."

"He was a good worker but it took him a long time to get used to our ways of doing things," commented Fred Broadbent.

In Mexico, Gabriel enjoys J.V. head coach, William Moore. Looking on are Larry such sports such as swimming, football-soccer, and basketball.

### Takes Same Subjects

His course of study doesn't differ too much from the subjects he took in America. In his school he learns science, history, mathematics, music, and English. However, his classes last for an hour and there are about 150 students in the class. The vacation months are September and October.

Mr. Camancho is a member of the executive staff of the president, Gustavo Dias Ordas. This has helped give Gabriel the opportunity to visit America 12 times. He is familiar with Los Angeles, Miami, New



AWARDING AN HONORARY MANAGER'S LETTER

to exchange student Gabriel Camancho (center, left) is J.V. head coach, William Moore. Looking on are Larry Stout (left) with whom "Gabe" stayed and Mr. Raymond Watson (right), director of the exchange program in Wellsville.

## Knights, Legion Sponsor Student Oratorical Contests

Wellsville High School students are eligible to participate in the two oratorical contests conducted by the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion.

The Knights of Columbus Or-

ament and to establish respect for its basic principles. Therefore, the theme is to be centered around the Constitution of the United States.

The American Legion, Department of New York, offers

### Calendar of Events

#### DECEMBER

- 7—College Entrance Examination Board
- 14—National League of Nursing Test
- 21—Senior Ball
- 23—Christmas Vacation begins

## Slaves Journey To Hades As Initiation

Fifteen Latin students were admitted as active members into Latin Club following the annual initiation in the Girls' Gym under the direction of Mrs. Estella Cronauer.

At the October meeting, prospective initiates were sold to old Latin Club members as slaves. As auctioneer, Bob Whelpley pointed out the merits of the slaves, who were asked to demonstrate such talents as singing and dancing.

Many were required to take the eye test, which most failed. Masters paid cash for their "property." Bob Howe had the distinction of being the highest-priced slave at an exorbitant \$21.

### Original Twist to Garb

All members and slaves attended the initiation in Roman garb, although some slaves wore extra clothing such as swim fins and Hawaiian attire, donated by their masters. The highlight of the evening was a "Trip Through Hades" in which the blindfolded slave was led to various parts of the gym by his master.

To enter Hades, the slave paid Charon, the boatman, a dime for a ride across the River Styx. Next he met the three-headed dog which guards the entrance. The slaves were then taken to the judge, Jim Lee, who decided whether they

## Class Of 1969 Prepares For Annual Christmas Ball



YING FOR THE TITLE of Senior Ball Queen are: (standing, l to r) Ann Barnes, Carla Packer and Dawn Richardson. Seated (l to r) are: Patty MacDuff, Sally Emerson and Sue Carpenter. One of these girls will be crowned at midnight on December 21 to reign over the rest of the dance.

## Buckwalter Family Sets High Standards Of Leadership, Scholarship For WHS

Everybody likes them. When Corn, hay, oats, and barley they try to follow the Bible as ever honor awards are given are raised on the one-hundred closely as possible.

out, one of their names is sure acres of tillable land. There are The girls are also required to be there. Sports, yearbook, also thirty-five cows. John told wear prayer caps because the "Owl", Student Council, orchestra, Chess Club - all have at one names, but that's mainly for while praying and they are supposed to be in an attitude of John now has a job at the "Big constant prayer.

### President Delegates Committee Chairmen

Seniors will stage their annual holiday ball on December 21 from nine until one in the high school cafeteria.

Seven girls are competing for the title of queen. These girls, chosen by a vote of the class, are: Ann Barnes, Sue Carpenter, Sally Emerson, Chris Lester, Patty Duff, Carla Packer and Dawn Richardson. Another ballot will determine the winner.

Committee chairmen selected include: Sally Emerson, who will be in charge of the decorating; Harold Doty, clean-up committee and Gail Casagrande, who will direct the coronation proceedings. Remaining chairmen will be chosen this week.

### Sign Up For Committees

Seniors are asked to sign up in their homerooms if they wish to serve on a committee. Workers are needed for the decoration, coronation, clean-up, refreshment, publicity, ticket and chaperone committees.

Music will be furnished by "Le Nouveau Quintet," a group from Mansfield, Pennsylvania. John Buckwalter, president of the class of 1969, made these comments about the dance. "I would like to urge all seniors to attend this ball. This is a class activity paid for by every senior out of the class treasury."

speaks English fairly well. Larry pointed out that his only problem is American slang, which often has to be translated for him. He likes popular music and attended a few dances which he enjoyed.

#### Never Seen Snow

Many of Gabriel's friends expressed sorrow upon his leaving. Bill Sweet and Mike Iven stated that they hoped he would write and that they would miss him. Larry, who is planning to be an exchange student in the future, said that this had been "an experience in itself."

Coming to Wellsville sometime in December will be Maria Roth, 17, from Sao Paulo, Brazil. She is a senior and will stay with Reita Duke under the International Fellowship Program. Maria speaks Portuguese and English and has told the Dukes that she's never seen snow before and is looking forward to it.

### Students Try Skills In Math Examination

Thirteen local students participated in the first annual William Varrick Nevins math contest held November 23 in Meyer Hall, Alfred University.

Schools from a tri-county area were represented at the all day competition. A Corning-Painted Post student copped first with approximately 200 points out of a possible 240. Linda Taggart, a Wellsville senior, placed second with 198 points, and a Geneseo student won third. The winner received \$25 and a letter of acceptance at Alfred University.

The quiz was designed for anyone who had successfully completed Math 10. However, many of the problems assumed a knowledge of intermediate algebra and trig.

The first part was a 45-minute multiple choice section in which the student was given ten problems ranging from telling time to roots of equations and related questions.

The second half consisted of seven written questions designed to test the student's ability to apply his mathematical knowledge. These included two geometrical proofs and several algebraic puzzles. This section was much more difficult and many students failed to finish in the allotted 90 minutes.

After lunch, the participants were addressed by Dr. Robert Sloan,

vate, in January or June of 1969.

"Youth Looks at Authority" is the topic to be spoken on. The speech must be the original effort of the contestant and be four to five minutes long. Introductory remarks will be included in timing the speech. One penalty point will be imposed for each minute or fraction of a minute over or under the stated speaking time.

**Use Same Speech Throughout**  
A copy of the speech must be submitted in writing prior to participation in the Council elimination contest. The same speech must be given by the competing contestant without alteration as he progresses in the contest.

Quotations must be credited at all times; and if the quotation is more than 20 words, the author's name must be given orally and in the manuscript. There can be no reference to notes during the speech.

American Legion Oratorical Contest is open to any 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grader who wishes to participate. Wellsville High School contest is scheduled for the month of January 1969.

**Create Interest in Government**  
Purpose of the contest is to create an interest in our govern-

ment, in January or June of 1969.

National prizes will be in the form of college scholarships with \$4,000, first; \$2,500, second; \$1,000, third and \$500 for fourth place.

Elimination contests will be conducted prior to March on the basis of successive eliminations; first by schools, second by counties, third by districts and fourth by zones. The five zone winners will compete in the state contest in March.

In the orations, one is urged to stress rights and privileges as well as duties and responsibilities of citizenship. The prepared speeches must require no less than eight minutes and not more than ten minutes.

While giving the speech the speaker must not use or have before him either notes or reference books. The speech must also be the original effort of each contestant.

Disqualifications may result from rejection of original speeches not dealing with the specified topic. A contestant may also be disqualified for plagiarism.

Students wishing to participate in either contest are asked to contact Mrs. Joyce Larson, head of speech and drama.

of 20 Latin words, with which they were not familiar. All were sentenced to Tartarus and were forced to journey through the pass of crushing rocks. Many slaves became confused by the buffeting and fell, or were pushed, into the boxes.

In Tartarus they knelt on a bed of bones and prayed to Jupiter for deliverance. Finally, they were led over an obstacle course and under a table festooned with wet yarn representing the exit to Earth. During this part of the initiation, many masters, accompanied by records and tapes, imitated the moaning and screaming of those in Hades.

**Slaves Entertain Masters**  
After this arduous journey, the slaves then entertained the masters by playing charades with Latin words and running relay races.

Chariot races were also held in the tradition of the "Circus Maximus." Original poems and speeches on the subject of "Latin" were read.

During all phases displeasure was registered by booing and occasionally whips were used on unruly and rebellious slaves. Refreshments were served and the slaves were the clean-up committee.

Lancaster Mennonite School. After graduation from there, she attended Eastern Mennonite College where she earned her bachelor of arts degree. Today, Linda is married and teaching home economics at a school in Pennsylvania.

Bob, the second oldest, following in Linda's footsteps, also transferred to Lancaster Mennonite School in his junior year. He is now doing post-graduate work in the field of agronomy at Cornell University.

**Becomes Registered Nurse**  
The next daughter Judy did not transfer to Lancaster Mennonite School until her senior year. She then obtained her RN degree from Coatsville School of Nursing. Right now she is working for her Bachelor of Nursing degree at the Eastern Mennonite College.

Joyce was the first Buckwalter to graduate from Wellsville High. She was very active in school affairs and ranked top in her class. Now a senior at Houghton College she plans to become a mathematics teacher.

Attending our high school today are John, Leon, Mary Anne, and Leslie.

**"Another Thirteen Years"**  
Leon, a junior, participates in extra-curricular activities also. He is a member of Student Council, the orchestra, Chess Club, and the wrestling team. Campus Life Club is his main interest outside of school activity. His plans for the future are indefinite, but he is seriously thinking about the field of biochemistry.

Mary Ann and Leslie are in the eighth and seventh grades respectively. There are also three younger children. They are Debbie who is in fifth grade, Steve who is in the third grade, and Carole who will start school next year. It is very probable that Wellsville can look forward to a Buckwalter in the school system for at least another thirteen years.

**Family Musically Talented**  
Most members of the Buckwalter family are musically talented. Mrs. Buckwalter plays the piano and Mr. Buckwalter's instrument is the harmonica. Judy, Mary Ann, and John also play piano. Besides piano, John is proficient on the viola, accordion, and guitar. Joyce is a violin player and Debbie has begun lessons on the cello. Leon plays guitar and the bass violin.

A farm on Voorhees Hill is the Buckwalter home. It consists of two hundred acres.

The Buckwalters seem to be the members. This shows in an extremely close and happy their outside contacts; they family. When the "Owl" asked, seem to think the best of every-

one and, in return, other people plied, "The only answer I can admire and respect them. An give is that we've always recognized that God has the answer to people's needs, and His traits by which a Buckwalter guidelines direct us to happiness can be identified.

As a whole, the Buckwalters through living for the good of others. We've seen children as a seem to have little, or no con-

gift from God, each different cern for material things. In this from the others and worthy of two-television - per-family era, acceptance for what he is." they do not own even one, feeling that 90 per cent of today's nonite. In fact, Mr. Buckwalter programs are not worth waste-

ence Mennonite Church. He is a Perhaps the most remarkable lay minister as all Mennonite quality is the ability of the fam-

in the Bible as translated liter-ally. In practicing their religion, towards family life reigns supreme.

**Clothes Reveal Epitome In Victorian Elegance, Style**  
Mrs. Edward W. Briggs, Jr. the picture of Victorian elegance of Wellsville has a collection of gance.

period costumes worn by her cousin Mrs. Allan C. Balch of Los Angeles in her possession. Mrs. Briggs lends these popular then. They were stiffly starched to show their fullness and must have been quite awkward in eating or pouring tea.

Mrs. Balch's petite frame; she possessed the almost proverbial 29-inch waist. Her then-stylish clothes are made of various materials, including hand-crafted laces, and brocades.

One cloak, styled for evening wear, is made of a rich brocade showing the Oriental influence. The colors, red, jet black and royal blue, shot with gold threads, are still fresh after almost 70 years.

**Shows Oriental Influence**  
A hostess gown of peach also shows the Oriental styling with kimono-type sleeves. A beautiful hand crocheted vest would be in style today as a mini-tunic. It is closed by frog clasps, showing again how designers of that period were influenced by the Far East.

**Need 70 Couples**  
"Although we made money on our play, we can not afford to lose any on the prom. We'd like to at least break even. To do this, we need at least 70 couples attending.

"We shouldn't have any problems with the music this year. We have already hired a group from Mansfield College. They are under contract to play a variety of music so that everyone will be satisfied.

"I hope that all seniors will take an interest in this class activity and make an effort to come if at all possible."

### R. Baumunk Initiates Home Nursing Class

Home Economics Department has added a course on home care for the sick. Upon completion, the girls will be awarded a certificate and Red Cross pin.

Home economics teachers in this area took a refresher course from a national representative of the Red Cross to qualify them for teaching the class.

Approximately 18 sessions of class work, using a programmed instruction manual with a textbook and a series of ten films are needed to complete the course.

"The home nursing instruction will help the students to learn how to make the best use of their time, energy, and material. Applying what they have learned to a variety of situations will also prepare and aid them in the future," commented Miss Roberta Baumunk.

### DECA Names Polaski To Fill Presidency

Local chapter of Distributive Education Clubs of America elected Charles Polaski as president. Bonnie Bastian, vice-president; Jill Bonham, secretary; Phillip Moore, treasurer; and Robert Copeland, parliamentarian - historian; at its organizational meeting.

Leadership training and sales experience are the immediate aims of DECA. Under the advisanship of Mr. Richard Widman, the club participates in contests sponsored by Distributive Education Clubs of New York State. Member clubs of these associations pay dues respectively to each.

## Seniors Bestow Titles In Annual Poll

Class of 1969 honored outstanding members of their class by voting in the Owl's annual Senior Poll.

Elected four-to-one over her nearest competitor, Linda Taggart was voted Our Brain. Our Dreamboat is Kevin Harris; Sue Carpenter was named Simply Perfect.

Senior class president John Buckwalter was chosen as Most Likely To Become President and Most Likely to Succeed. Prudy Sherman was recognized for her acting ability by being elected Girl Most Likely To Be Seen On Stage.

Sally Raykovitz was named as Girl with the Best Figure with Patty MacDuff running a close second. Kevin Harris won the title of Boy with the Best Physique. Jessica Garthwait was named Boys' Girl Friday by a two to one margin. Fritz Murphy won the title of Wolf in Sheep's Clothing.

**Lewis Wins "Laziest Boy"**  
Chris Lester was chosen Peppiest Girl while Steve Lewis was honored as Laziest Boy. Recognized by their class-

mates for their musical ability are Mark Benforado - Robert Goulet Tomorrow; Stephanie Cretokos - Barbara Streisand of Tomorrow and Karen Lang-Music Maestro.

Receiving plaudits for their driving are Carla "Crash" Packer and Harold Doty as Craziest Girl and Boy Driver, respectively. Smoothest Dancers are Prudy Sherman and Bill Acker with Bill Schettine a few votes behind.

**Two Tie for Most Talented**  
Seniors honored as having the nicest smiles were Chris Lester and Tom Haskins. Tying for the post of Most Talented Senior were Karen Lang and Walter Jakubowski.

**Most Athletic Girl and Boy**  
were cheerleader Chris Lester and football hero John Richardson.

The titles of Biggest Girl Flirt and Biggest Boy Flirt went to Carla Packer and Charles Polaski, respectively. Biggest Heartbreakers were Carla Packer and Kevin Harris. Chris Lester and John Richardson were named Best All-round

Girl and Boy.

Maryanne Silverio and Bill Schettine were honored for their manners by being voted Most Courteous Girl and Most Chivalrous Boy.

**Darcy Beckman Chosen Cupid**  
Darcy Beckman won over Ann Barnes in a close race for most Talkative Girl. Shiest Boy and Girl of the class are Ken Line-man and Isabella Gaus.

**Most Versatile Girl is Carla Packer.** Her male counterpart is Bob Paquette with Gene Gardner and John Buckwalter tying for second one vote behind Bob. Most Admired Senior is Sue Carpenter; Neatest - Ann Barnes and Busiest - Carla Packer. In return for her match-making activities, Darcy Beckman was elected Cupid.

**Patty MacDuff and Dave Harkenrider were selected as having the prettiest eyes.** Darcy Beckman won the title of Girl with the Prettiest Hair. Jokers of the class are Bill Schettine and Sue Diefenderfer. Best dressed Girl and Boy are Darlene Jones and Dave Harkenrider.

## Kudos For Mr. Rugaber

At the beginning of the school year, it seemed as if the administration would be in utter chaos. Mr. William LeFeber, our principal, had resigned the last week of August and the school appointed Mr. Ralph Rugaber, then vice-principal, as acting principal.

At present Mr. Rugaber holds two time-consuming positions and is performing both admirably. His decisions have been fair and in the best interests of the students. By cancelling the bus trip to Hornell, he prevented possible injuries to students, teachers and bus drivers.

A principal's responsibility has had a mellowing effect on Mr. Rugaber. He no longer roars; he explains and he tries to maintain a consistent standard of disci-

pline for the "favored" and the "unfavored" students alike.

Mr. Rugaber has become more open and understanding with students and teachers. Because he does not seem so inaccessible we are more willing to ask his opinion about school affairs without fear of a resounding "No!" Maintaining open lines of communication is a prerequisite to the successful operation of any large operation.

Our acting principal has shown that he possesses the ability to do an efficient job of leading students and faculty. He has created stability in an unstable atmosphere and he has earned the respect of those he comes in contact with.

## Progression Or Regression?

During the past few years our Student Council has been criticized for its ineffectiveness in involving the student body in its decisions. Finally last year fifteen minutes were set aside before release time classes for homeroom discussions. This was the opportunity for students to participate weekly in Council activities and voice their opinions.

Students who are dismissed at 2:00 for their religion classes are then released at 2:40 from church and must still take a late bus because they cannot reach school in time for regular buses. The religion instruction in itself lasts no longer than 30 minutes, so students have an hour to roam through town or the halls before they catch a bus.

By law students who attend religious education can't be excluded from formal school activities. The period between 2:00 and 2:40 is a study period. Regardless of this, it is only fair that every member of the student body should have a chance to voice his opinions about Student Coun-

cil's policies. Participation should include every member of each homeroom.

How can there be much interest in a government whose actions are known only to the student leaders? Homeroom meetings are necessary if Council is to function as a student organization.

Period-long homeroom meetings of the past met with limited success. These discussion periods are most effective when conducted frequently and for shorter spans of time. No homeroom president can recall two or three months' activities in one period, and most often, discussion is useless since Council action has been taken long ago.

We need short homeroom meetings to reach the student body and we need them soon. Would it be possible to hold religious education fifteen minutes later? If not, time should be set aside weekly or bi-weekly for these meetings. Let's not ruin the little progress it has taken Council so long to make.

## Congratulations

Hearty congratulations are in order for Mrs. Joyce Larson and the senior class in their presentation of the play, "Cheaper By The Dozen." Under the able direction of Mrs. Larson, members of the cast achieved a mature uncontrived standard of acting not common in such an amateur performance.

committees and people who willingly cooperated and donated things for the play deserve many thanks for their silent but important roles.

The art and music departments also contributed to the success of the seniors' production. Upon entering the school, the public had a chance to view the various



## Louise Stout Outlines Old Hawaiian Customs, Cuisine

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second part of a two-part story.

August 2, 1968

Aloha,

Living with a Japanese family is certainly a radical change from my American family. My "brother" Dave is 20 and my "sisters" are Karen, 18, Linda, 16, and Claire, 15. We all are allowed to date, but within the other battle between Kamehameha and Kalanikupule.

Mr. Yogi is always treated with respect. He eats first and we girls wait on him. David is treated like a prince, and each many times I've had to check myself from telling him off of the fruit. Mrs. Yogi is also treated with high regard.

The food, however, is something entirely foreign. I do eat with a fork and spoon, but out of necessity I became initiated into the art of using chopsticks at a reception. My antics entertained the whole family. Rice is served with every meal, breakfast included.

Sashimi vs. Pickled Turnips

My favorite foods are deep-fried jumbo shrimp, sashimi (raw fish with soyhu) and a noodle dish, salmon. I've also eaten a lot of seaweed, abalone, and fried eggplant. My favorite dessert is guava kanten (Japanese jello).

The Hawaiian foods I've eat-

boys insisted he found a piece of bone.

Visits Black Sand Beach Elaine, the other exchanged student, and I also took a four-day tour of the Outer Islands.

We went first to Kauai where we saw Waimea Canyon, similar to the Grand Canyon. Our day in Maui included a tour of the Iao Valley, the scene of another battle between Kamehameha and Kalanikupule.

It was here that we saw the pineapples being harvested on the slopes of Mount Haleakala. The foreman graciously gave us each a pineapple and tips on picking the most succulent of the fruit.

We spent two days on the Big Island of Hawaii. There our tour included sights of Halemau mau the volcano, a black sand beach and a tour of the orchid nursery. I decided that the outer islands are much more serene than Oahu, the island on which we live.

Aloha,

Louise

Postscript: I almost missed my plane due to the fact that everyone insisted I "stop by." My seatmates were two boys who lived quite near me; we had some mutual friends. After over 18 hours on the plane I was glad to get home. I feel though, that this whole experi-

Drusie Harris'

## The Owl Blinks Twice

We are approaching the end of a great era. Time marches on, passing of the torch, etc., etc. And the monumental change which is taking place in this turning of the tide is, that of the status symbol, or rather, the student status symbol — that intangible little something undetectable by the layman, unattainable for most of the student populace. No longer as in days of yore will the spitball champ be hailed as king; today one must be an assailant with words to win a niche in the hearts of his/her peers.

Why? I wish you hadn't asked. I'm not really sure. But I think it may partially be attributed (as most things are partially attributed) to that rather over-worked phrase "our changing times." Meaning that in these transcendental mass-media hyped-up psyched-up days very little has remained unchanged.

Example? Music today. . . no "shoo bop doo boo gop" to lay you're so neat in your ponytail and full skirt baby I'm so glad you got your braces off because they hurt my upper lip "dee shoo bop." Now. . . "you got to pick up every stitch, see the rabbits runnin' in the ditch, filthy beatnik out to make it rich, oh no, must be the season of the witch." Admittedly, we have those bubble-gum gems like "yummy yummy yummy," but the point is that even the plastic teenybopper stuff has changed.

To return to this gift of the golden tongue, or rather, the lucky possessor of said talent. He/she appears in a number of forms, operating in a number of ways. There is the doer of great deeds, the dragon-slayer, who works openly, blatantly. He ranks out sundry teachers with snide ease, and he does so to the teacher's face. Naturally the effect is greater if our hero is a good student. We shall assume so, because the fellow has the trick, he is admired, he is a winner.

The other side of the coin is

tone of voice, softly mocking or whatever, that certain charisma that even the inhuman teacher admires, thereby saving himself from such a dreary fate as the loser suffers.

Make The 'Cool Move' Total opposite of the dragon slayer, the under-cover agent is often highly effective. He considers the white knight an exhibitionist. He thinks of himself as more clever. . . after all, he's not stupid enough to risk a grade on one of his escapades. . . such frivolity. If one of his projects fails, he's not exposed to ridicule, because no one knows. But if one comes off, such as say a love note to his history teacher (and this can be sticky unless his history teacher is of the opposite sex), said teacher gleefully reads the amusing little note of endearment to the class.

While all eyes scrutinize fellow students, our man gazes intently out the window while pretending to struggle to keep a straight face. This immediately makes him prime suspect, revered by classmates for his adroit wit. (A variation of this is to wait until another cloak and dagger man makes "the cool move", then follow the above pattern so you will be a prime suspect also and therefore share the glory, etc.)

I myself am all too eager to wave out the old and bring in the new. Intellect shall reign supreme. And I couldn't be happier. What better sport than to duel with sharp wits? Besides, I can't throw spitballs worth a darn!

By The Way . . .  
By Barbara Walchli



Skiing fanatics, it's time to get your equipment back into condition. Ski boots that are worn or scratched in places and absorb water should not be treated with water repellent, since it weakens the leather. Instead they may be touched up with ordinary shoe polish.

Organized as the result of a challenge from Bath, the newly formed Debating Society will soon become familiar with debating procedure. The club is open to juniors and seniors and although sophomores may participate, they are not active members. Advised by Mr. Richard Scutt, the organization hopes to take part in active debates later in the year.

Christmas presents are often difficult to choose but here are a few ideas. "His and her" airplanes valued at 300,000 dollars each may be ordered from Ni-man-Marcus, and what a nice way to thank Mom and Dad for everything they have done all year! Grandmother will be delighted with a Mickey Mouse watch which may be ordered directly from Disneyland. Here's a tip from personal experience. If your brother needs a challenge, give him a pack-wave out the old and bring in the new. Intellect shall reign supreme. And I couldn't be happier. What better sport than to duel with sharp wits? Besides, I can't throw spitballs worth a darn!

Now don't forget, it's especially important for you to be good at this time of year. . . Santa may be watching you.

## Subway Passengers Create Unique Holiday Atmosphere

By ANNE BLACK

Heavy snow made seeing difficult. A crowd of people stood waiting in the damp and dingy here, but I do know it don't do subway station. Although they were of mixed races and ages, a careful observer would have detected a common denominator. The response to this snow-

done in authentic clothes of the 20's, lent a professional air to the production, while the set, through the industrious efforts of the stage and scenery crews, was also beautifully decorated with furnishings of the period. Students who helped these

## A Gift Of Love

As the Christmas season approaches, many elderly people will find themselves alone. Some are alone in the literal sense, perhaps in a nursing home, while others may simply not fit into the family's plans.

Often during holiday get-togethers two or three older people are grouped together in a corner, told how remarkable they are, and are then left alone. Perhaps the only diversion they get is watching the children, who at regular intervals may wave or smile.

Many times our elders have something to offer to a conversation, such as a solution to a problem or a suggestion from

spritely lead for each act of the play.

To the Class of '69, Mrs. Larson, Mr. Mancuso and all others involved in the production of "Cheaper By The Dozen," congratulations and thank you for a job well done.

past experience. They seem to get a great deal of pleasure from helping you and all it takes is a very little effort on your part to sit and listen.

Making an older person feel wanted may seem insignificant to you, but a small, inexpensive gift or greeting card could change someone's entire perspective and make theirs a happier holiday season. A visit or call by a younger person is almost always welcomed by someone who is alone, and it must be realized that, in general, older people are truly appreciative of anything done for them.

## Things You Might Never Have Known

"Owl" in its never-ending battle for truth, justice, and the American way (analogous to the efforts of Clark Kent, reporter for another great metropolitan newspaper) tries to bring to its readers more than current news, editorials, and other such flotsam and jetsam. "The time has come," the walrus said, "to talk of many things . . ." And so, we present general information of no particular pertinence:

Maude Litfert of East Stix, Idaho, is reported to have raised and hand-fed 238 vicious mongeese in her backyard for 10 years before she had to sell them at the insistence of her husband and 8 children.

The world's longest scarf, knit by Kate Wallace, is 297 feet long and made of 98 boxes of spaghetti.

Lassie is a bleach blonde.

The Farunimunga tribesmen of New Zealand believe that a necklace made of stinkweed, a belt woven of skunktails, and a headdress of raw garlic and onion will not only ward away evil spirits, but also other Farunimunga tribesmen.

Dating etiquette tests given on a nationwide scale are not necessary.

Hugh Hefner does not believe in going steady.

Neither does Margot Alofsin, of Memphis, Tennessee.

The Royal Order of the Petrified Aardvark has a following of 37 men and one petrified aardvark.

Dori Gelt, of Phoenix, Arizona, after freaking-out on celery root, firmly believes that her boy friend is a bottle of mouthwash.

Butterflies of the Magna Fute Sucuno family have up to five-foot wing spans and glow in the dark on the Ides of March every leap year.

Child psychologist agree that when a child sticks beans up his nose it's his way of trying to show his parents his dissatisfaction with the world situation . . . and his stupidity.

Ibbie Aldrich holds the record for overdue library books. The secretive Miss Aldrich housed 409 books, both editions of the Encyclopedia Britannica, five Webster's Dictionaries (two of which were unabridged), 354 back issues of Bird Watcher's Digest, and several Howdy Doodie coloring books in her small apartment in metropolitan Scio, N. Y. for 24 years, 4 months and 7 days, at which point she turned herself in and signed a confession testifying to her crime.

Lawrence Welk is alive and working at WLSV.

Contrary to popular belief, Debbie Reynolds is not the only 17 year old all-American girl who has had her face lifted three times.

In the poem "What Are All the Little Bunny Rabbits Doing?" by Buffelia Clark the little bunnies she refers to are in actuality small hares.

Mike Bloomfield says groovin' is easy. He made this statment after studying five years under his friendly neighborhood yogi, taking a ten-week series of tango lessons at Authur Aurry's, and a course in horticulture specializing in the cultivating of morning glories and poppies.

Tiz, the wonder dog, has capped teeth.

And here's a fascinating piece of information for those past 30: We have information that leads us to believe, strange as it may seem, that not all teenagers are juvenile delinquents out to rule the world! (How's that for a denture-twister?)

Record for the 30 second run-to-cafeteria is held by the Wellsville High seventh grade.

Record for 30 second lunch is held by members of Wellsvill's illustrious football team, known for debonair looks and excellent table manners.

Some people will, amazingly enough, read lists of useless information.

A mango is about the size of a cantaloupe and tastes somewhat like a peach. One night I ate two whole ones and was sick the next day. But the pleasure was still worth all the pain. I've also tried some Chinese and Korean foods. Pickled turnip is the only delicacy that does not appeal to me.

Aloha,  
Louise

August 18, 1968

Aloha,

On our excursions we go to so many places I can't keep track. The Polynesian Culture Center has been the most educational. It is composed of replicas of six villages typical of the islands in the South Pacific.

In the Samoan village we were shown how to husk coconuts. New Zealand is represented by the Maori dancers who perform a dance using poi balls. Also, they showed us the intricate carving on their houses, used to record the family's genealogy.

A fuzzy-haired Fijian woman was our guide through that village where we were entertained by a song on the Fiji music sticks. Mr. Bright insisted that I try to play these hollowed-out bamboo pieces, but I'm afraid I have no sense of rhythm.

Learns Hula

Next was the Tahitian village. Our guide, who had just come from Tahiti, didn't use the best English, but he made it clear that I was to learn the Tahitian dance with some other members of my class. Tahitian hulas tell a story by means of the hips and when I attempted it the class became hysterical.

Visiting the Hawaiian village, we were shown how the ancestors of many of my friends lived in thatched houses, sleeping in beds made of over one hundred layers of lahala mats. These mats are woven by hand with leaves of the pandanus tree.

Tonga was our last village. Here we were shown the steps in making the beautiful tapa cloth designs.

We also visited the Bishop Museum where there are many artifacts from the South Pacific. Another awe-inspiring place was the Arizona Memorial. It's beauty is indescribable.

Aiea Heights Haiau was one place I'll never forget. A haiau is an open-air temple for sacrificial and-or medicinal uses. Ours was a medicinal haiau used by the kahunas (priests), but nevertheless, one of the

## Spicy Cookies, Punch Add Zest To Christmas Parties

Christmas each year brings a festive mood and, of course, a traditional holiday party. Visions of sugar plums — or gayly decorated cookies and cocoa — come to mind for that get-together after the game or perhaps as a conclusion to the Senior Prom. To help you in planning your own special party this year, here are some great recipes that are easy to make and guaranteed to bring compliments.

One favorite holiday refreshment is Cranberry Punch, a delicious combination and a crowd pleaser. All you need is:

1 can cranberry juice  
1 can pineapple juice or orange juice concentrate  
1 quart gingerale

Mix the cranberry juice and orange (or pineapple) juice together. Then just add the gingerale and chill to make enough punch for 24 four-ounce servings.

## John Buckwalter Receives 'Owl' Hall Of Fame Award

"Owl" is pleased to announce the selection of senior John Buckwalter as this month's Hall of Fame recipient.

Scholastically John has excelled throughout high school and has been made a two-year member of both National Junior Honor Society and National Honor Society.

Also active in student government, John has been elected president of his class for four years, seventh grade homeroom president, and junior class vice president. As a result of this interest in student politics, he was selected as a delegate to Boys State last summer, where he served as a city official in the imaginary municipality of Lewis. Concerning his experience at Boys State John says, "It was a lot of fun and we learned a lot."

In his spare time John likes to read and play the accordion. At school he plays viola in the orchestra, works as "Owl" photographer and "Sonnontouan" business manager. An active member of the Mennonite Church, he also belongs to its affiliated youth group and the piness in others."

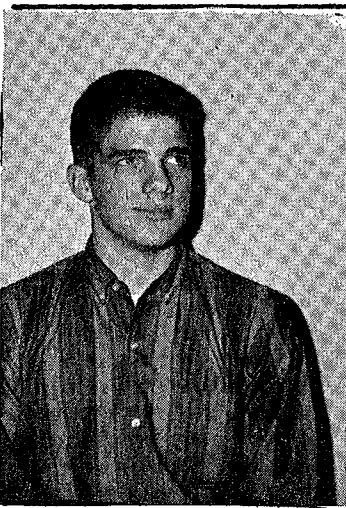
A frozen ring made of Marachino cherries and orange slices can be used to decorate the center of the punch bowl.

To add a little spice to the evening serve these Ginger Cookies.

1 cup soft butter or margarine  
1 cup confectioners' sugar  
1 teaspoon ginger  
¼ teaspoon soda  
¼ teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon vinegar  
2½ cups flour

Heat oven to 400 degrees and combine all ingredients. Blend on lowest speed of mixer. Add a little milk if dough is too dry to handle - a teaspoon at a time. Roll to ½ inch on floured board.

Cut into shapes such as stars, angels, hearts, or flowers and bake on an ungreased baking sheet for 6 to 8 minutes. Decorate with icing and use your imagination to give your cookies a personal touch.



JOHN BUCKWALTER

Youth for Christ organization.

After graduation John would like to attend Houghton College and prepare for a career in the field of medicine.

John states his philosophy of life as, "My duty as a human being is to give my life for the service of God and others. Therefore, the only type of happiness in life that I see is to member of the Mennonite Church, he also belongs to its affiliated youth group and the piness in others."

A fat, red-haired man in a long, grey raincoat puffed on a cigar. A teenage girl mechanically murmured soothing words to the baby she held in her arms. Occasional wisps of conversation filtered through the crowd.

"Hi ya, Joe! How ya been! How's the wife and kids?" said someone.

"Oh, same as usual, George, same as usual," came the answer.

"Mommy, Mommy! How long before we get home?" queried a child in a blue patched jacket.

"Hush, dear. So I saw the cutest little hat and I . . ."

"Oh, it was the most beautiful wedding," said an old lady carrying a purple and orange umbrella and dabbing her eyes with a lace handkerchief.

"My, oh my!" was the response of her rapt listener.

"It's goin' to snow forever, it seems," said an old man. "Yep."

Tense Atmosphere Prevails

The train arrived. People pushed and shoved to get on, suspiciously glancing at the strangers around them. When they were all seated and the subway began moving, the tense atmosphere relaxed somewhat while passengers read their newspapers or resumed conversation. For a while it was just like any other night; it was just like any other subway ride.

But suddenly the lights went out and the train slowed and came to a halt.

"A power failure!" was everyone's amazed cry.

"Oh no!" screamed the umbrella lady. "We're trapped! We'll die!"

Others took up her dire prediction, and in a moment the calm, ordinary subway car had turned into hysterical chaos.

As to the cause of the failure and the duration of their wait. "Billy, my poor Billy! What will he do if I'm not home on time? What will become of him if I die?"

"You're not going to die! In just a little while it'll be fixed. But tell us about Billy."

A Miracle?

The woman launched into a full description of her son while the whole car listened. Then, as if by plan, each passenger gave a soliloquy, sometimes about their dear ones, but often about unrealized dreams and cherished hopes. The teenage girl had hoped to be a singing star but her mother had made her attend secretarial school. She demonstrated her talent; the applause was deafening. Even a little boy had a rapt audience as he outlined his plans to be a soldier "just like Daddy" who had died in the war. For an hour and a half the passengers sat in the darkness of the car talking about the things dearest to their hearts, and all listened attentively.

Unknown to the passengers of the subway, the snow had stopped falling. Then, as suddenly as before, the lights blinked on, and the train resumed its course. People stared at each other in confusion. Several laughed nervously; all looked sheepish. No one spoke for the rest of the ride.

By the time the subway reached its destination, the people recovered their composure and took up their everyday conversations. The snow was coming down as fast as before. "It's going to snow forever, it seems."

"Yep."

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## Vet Lauzze Paces Basketball Cagers

Last month was a difficult one for Coach Frank Cady. The difficulty was due to the unpleasantness of cutting his basketball squad down to 12 players. This ordeal was heightened as ten veterans from last year's 7-11 club and many promising graduates of the J.V. undefeated team vied for the spots. Things are looking up for Mr. Cady, however, because the squad has been chosen and the coming season looks more promising with each practice.

Although last year's team suffered a losing season, (the only one Coach Cady has ever experienced) they still managed to get into the sectionals, where they were defeated 52-50 by Wayland in a hard fought contest. That was last year; this year the Lions again face a tough schedule with competition centered on the AA-A-B League which includes Olean, Paquette, last year's leading Allegheny, Portville, and Franklinville, and A competition with Bath and Addison. The stiffest opposition which will face the cagers will probably be from Salamanca, with three returning starters, Bath, with eight returnees and Hornell with three veteran starters.

**Loss of Height**  
A major difference in this year's team over last year's is the loss of height up front. The rebounding power will probably not be materially affected as junior Dorwin Neely and senior Bernie Artlip will try to fill the gap left by John Hammond. On the plus side, Mr. Cady feels that his present squad is much quicker, better at ball handling and overall better shooters.

Mr. Cady hasn't selected a starting unit for the Dec. 6 home opener against Salamanca, but he has closely watched the combination of Neely at center, junior Dave Waterman and senior Artlip at the forwards, and senior Pete Lauzze and junior Randy Roeske at the guards. Seniors John Richardson, Bill La-



DORWIN NEELY

where he left off last year.

The biggest blow so far is the temporary loss of senior Bob Paquette, last year's leading scorer (17 point average) and rebounder (13 average.) As Mr. Cady put it, "Bob has the potential to be one of the finest players in the Southern Tier." Although it is a week to week proposition with Bob, he is expected back by January 1 at the latest.

Summing up the team's prospects, Mr. Cady's view is very optimistic. He is certainly happy with the juniors' performance and with the play of Lauzze. He stated, "I feel we have a big job coming back after a losing season, but we have the kids who can bounce back. We have an interesting club, which is capable of winning its share of games."

### Calendar of Events

#### VARSITY BASKETBALL

##### DECEMBER

6—Salamanca, home  
10—Hornell, home  
20—at Olean

##### JANUARY

2 and 3 — at Corning West

## Shields Describes Skiing Techniques

By PETE SHIELDS

In recent years, skiing has gained increasing popularity in the United States. For greatest enjoyment an analysis of basic skiing techniques greatly aids the novice.

The simplest of all skiing techniques are the straight snowplow and the snowplow turn. For the first, spread your ski tails so that they form equal angles with the fall line, while the tips are still together. Here the inside edges of your skis check your speed.

For the snowplow turn, start from a straight snowplow position, and shift more weight to the outside ski on the turn. Then lean the upper portion of your body over the weighted ski with your outside shoulder slightly back.

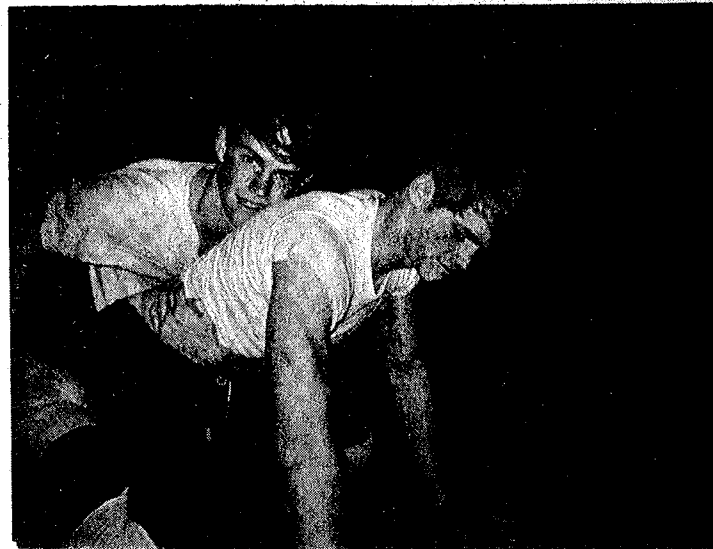
For the stem turn, while traversing across the fall line, stem only the uphill ski. As this slows you down, gradually increase weight on the ski by angling your body over it. This will turn you. (This technique is similar to a snowplow turn except here speed is greater.)

One of the most used turns is the christie turn. From a traverse, sink into a crouch from which you can up-unweight and displace your ski tails. Sliding around, reset the edges with a down motion forming a fan with the fall line.

For the stem christie, traverse across the slope with your skis parallel, doing a stem turn into the fall line, then bringing your skis into a parallel position downhill. As your speed increases, sideslip (a slide vertical to the fall line) into your next traverse.

An additional skiing skill for those in advanced stages is the parallel christie. Starting from a slight crouch and getting ready to unweight one's skis, spring upward and forward in a

## The Twin Terrors



SENIOR CO-CAPTAINS, George (l) and Gary (r) Goetschius are the key figures in Coach Bill Moore's wrestling plans.

## Numerous Veterans Should Spark 'Grappler Campaign

An experienced and confident opposition before making an evaluation. At any rate the are set to open here Thursday on Thursday night will provide an illustration of the team's ability.

Directed by Coach William Moore and spear-headed by seniors George and Gary Goetschius, the Lions are a formidable group of seasoned veterans this year.

Many freshmen, moving up from J.V. and intramural programs of recent years will augment the team. Among these, another Goetschius, Neil, Wayne Taggart, Earl Whitter, George Buckholz and Chuck Neal. Veteran sophomore contenders include Paul Holland, Frank Davis, Blair Buckholz and Don Simons. Upperclassmen Steve Hennard, Tom Jackson and Don Hall complete the lineup.

#### A Coaching Change

Mr. Moore, the new head wrestling mentor, has held positions as wrestling coach in the Hornell and Woodhull school systems. His instruction coupled with the past four weeks of practice that the wrestlers have undergone, certainly presents a promising picture this season.

## Dave McMorris' Woodland Wisdom

With the advent of deer season, hunters are turning out in droves to try once again to outsmart the wily buck. As always, their success this year will depend largely upon their tactics. Of the various methods of hunting, the two which seem to be most popular and successful are "sitting" and "driving." For the lone hunter, sitting seems to be the wisest method. This technique is used almost exclusively in the early part of deer season, before the deer go into hiding in the thick brush. A smart hunter will choose a partially concealed stump or log on which to sit which offers a clear view for at least a 100-yard radius. The ideal location

## Chris' Sportettes

Majorettes are back at work for the first home game, Dec. 6 with Salamanca. After the great football shows, I'm sure Ann Barnes' majorettes and Mr. Molinari's Pep Band will "perk up" the basketball half times. Efforts are in progress for co-educational bowling intramurals Thursday nights after school. They will take place at Nick's Lanes at discount rates.

If you happen to be in the girls' gym during phys-ed classes lately, chances are you've found the "sophisticated, gentle, weaker sex" climbing to the ceiling, hanging upside down (feet first) or traveling across the gym from rope to rope. Then of course, you may have caught a glimpse of a certain young lady, methodically swinging on the rings, who left her wig behind on one of her back swings! Now that's really concentration for you!

The cheerleaders would like to express their appreciation for the new shakers and megaphones contributed by the Boosters Club. They add color and diversity to the cheers. Now all they need is the students' support.

## Denny Ryan's Sports Spotlight

## FIBA Stresses Speed Basketball

As one of the few souls who viewed the early morning Olympic Basketball Final between the United States and Yugoslavia, I became acquainted with the international basketball rules.

Without breaks because of minor fouls, the game sped right along and was very exciting. Since this now international game was developed in this country, it's about time that the game's rulemakers take a good hard look at revision of U.S. basketball if only to benefit the spectator.

Other nations, especially those of Eastern Europe are making the evolutionary changes in basketball. The rules of the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) have proved far more sensible than ours.

Among the few, but important differences that are contained in international basketball are as follows:

- 1) The foul shooting area is cylindrically shaped rather than our familiar rectangular form.
- 2) No foul shots are given for simple infraction of the rules, the other team naturally gaining control of the ball.
- 3) When in the act of shooting a foul is called, the player that was fouled receives his two charity tosses if he missed the bucket. Otherwise, the ball goes to the opposing team with no possibility of the three point play.
- 4) During the last five minutes of the game, two shots are awarded for every foul committed. This prevents deliberate fouling to gain possession of the ball.
- 5) Lastly, a timesaver is the disregarding of the referee's handling of the ball to put it in play.

"Ridiculous" is the only word that comes to mind when referring to the pros' foul shooting antics. These men are the best players in the world and when they get three chances to make two unobstructed shots, it really turns the game into a travesty.

In the ABA, the newly formed professional basketball league, a different kind of three-point play is a needed innovation which gives the game a lift. Borrowed from an old professional league, the ABL, a shot from beyond a horseshoe-shaped line about 22 feet from the basket is recorded as a three-pointer when made. Because of this revamped rule, more shots are missed in the course of a game, and action is prolonged.

One can only hope that in the future our professional



Dennis Ryan

Coach Cady will be expecting great things of in the upcoming season.

#### Backcourt is Strength

Wellsville's power will be the backcourt. "Although I have had several outstanding individual guards in the past, I have never had such fine overall guards," states Cady. The key to the backcourt is Pete Lauzze who did an outstanding job last year, notably in the last six games when he averaged 12 points a game, and led the team effectively. Lauzze, in practices so far, has seemed to pick up

24—Bath, home  
28—at Hornell

#### VARSITY WRESTLING DECEMBER

5—Alfred-Almond, home 7 p.m.  
10—at Campbell, 6 p.m.  
13—at Addison, 7 p.m.  
17—Olean, home 7 p.m.  
21—at Hornell, Tourney 1 p.m.

#### JANUARY

10—at Bath, 7 p.m.  
16—Canisteo, home, 7 p.m.  
23—at West, 5 p.m.  
28—Smethport, home, 5 p.m.  
31—East, home, 7 p.m.

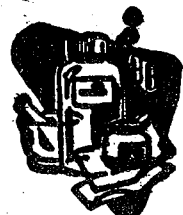
them without knowing or stem-  
ming. Now advance your in-  
side ski and twist your body to  
provide a turning force. As you  
bring your outside shoulder  
gradually back, your body will  
become sharply angled during  
the turn. Reset your edges with  
a down motion to finish the turn  
in a traverse.

but ourselves. We ought to know  
what we're doing by now." As an unsuspecting animal sneak-  
ing silently through the woods.  
Later in the season, however,  
the deer begin to migrate to  
the thick brush and hide there.  
At this time, it is very difficult  
for the lone hunter to flush out  
the animals, and if he should,  
offers a difficult shot. There-

#### Ability Is There

Coach Moore regards his  
team as having great potential,  
but would like to analyze the

nasts provide uninterrupted physical feats.



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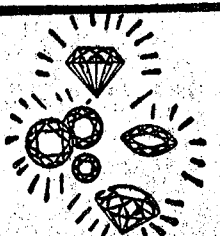
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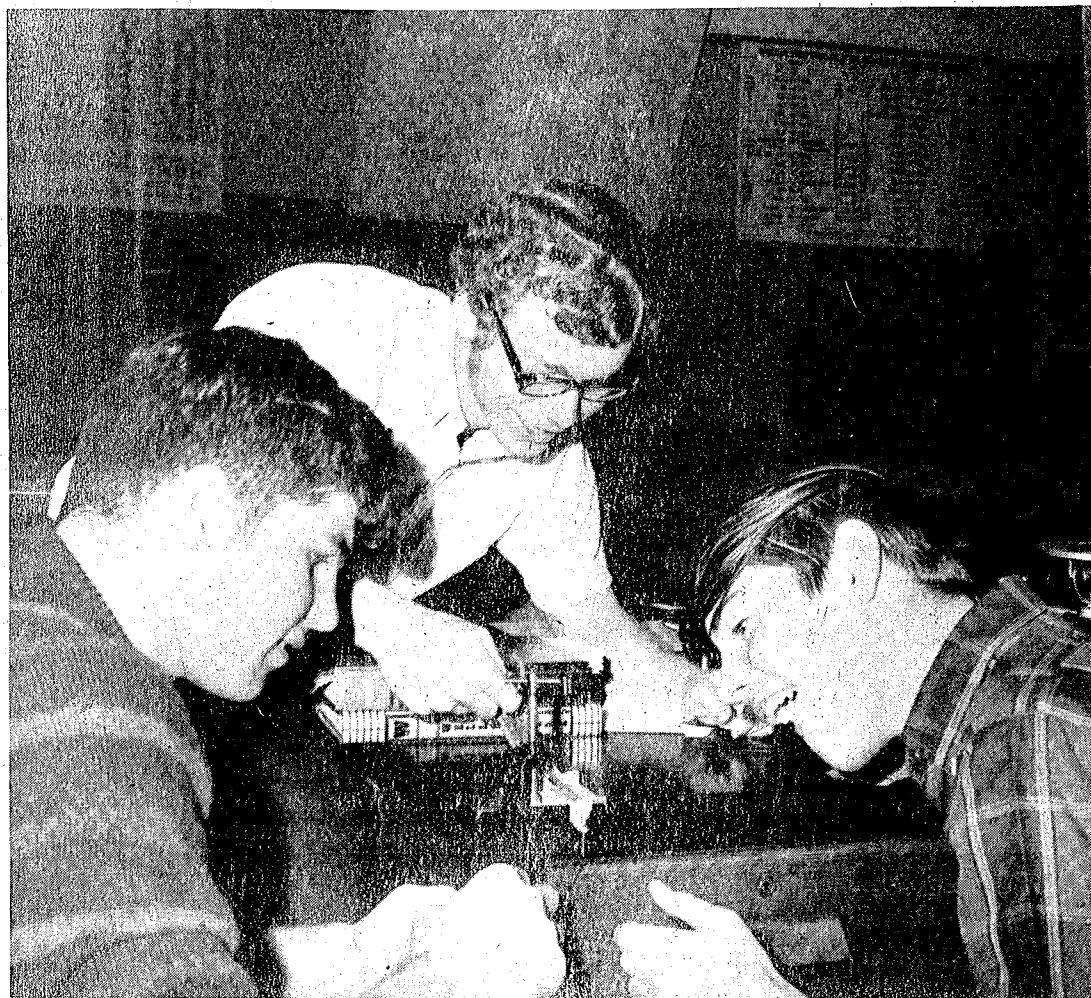
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LA GRAS

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# Through The Looking Glass



**MECHANICAL GENIUSES** Kevin Harris, Gene Gardner, and Tom Haskins again show that the senior class isn't as dumb as everyone says. By using their giant intellects, we all can see that they rigged up a complicated device, all by themselves, that . . . well . . . that. Ah, what DOES it do boys? (Buckwalter)



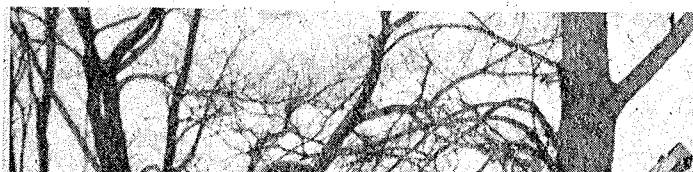
**Great White Hunter**

MRS. POST caught her first one of the season, 97 pound weakling? Sharon Cristman. Sharon was brought down with a high-powered rifle with telescopic sights. Hung up as a warning to those who forget their gymsuits, Mrs. Post plans to start a trophy room. (Carpenter)



**Conspiracy**

PLOTTING TO regain their stolen Math 11 homework, Kris Thompson, Art Runzo and Buster Hollo intently study the treasure map left by the thieves. By following the detailed set of instructions, they'll either find it or end up at the grape stomping festival in Palto Alto, California. Either way, Mrs. Lester will be glad for some peace and quiet for a few days. (Carpenter)





### Rah! Rah! Rah?

TRYING OUT for the varsity squad, Mark Benforado demonstrates a style that is sure to spur our Lions onto victory. Someone ought to tell him, though, that Wells-ville is spelled with a "W" instead of a "M". But maybe he just sewed his letter on up-side-down. Spectators Bill LaChance and Bob Kelly don't seem too psyched-up, but perhaps Mark's sexy legs detract from his cheering. (Curtis)



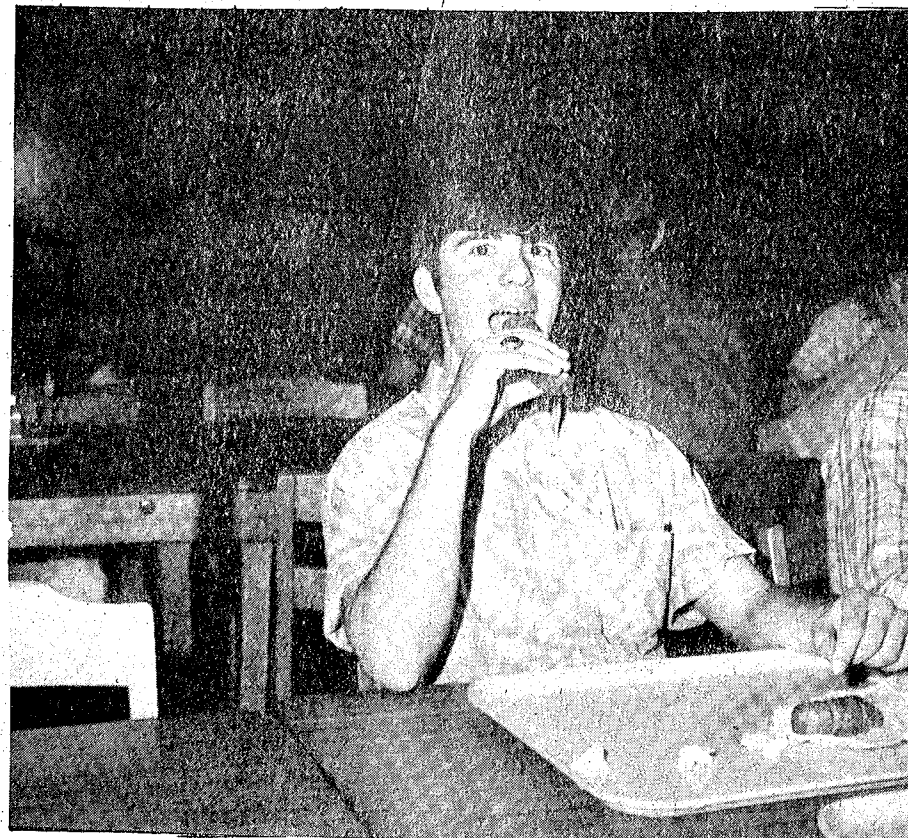
### Grab 'Em

AT THE ANNUAL GAME of Freeze-Tag between the Wellsville scrubs and the Hornell varsity, our boys gamely go for the last Raider, hoping to root him to the ground. In the past 20 years, Wellsville has won 18, lost one and had one tie, due to the fact that no one could freeze the manager. The games may have to be cancelled in the future because of the riots that broke out after Wellsville's first loss. (Buckwalter)



### Whoops!

SELECTED AS Craziest Drivers, seniors Harold Doty and Carla Packer survey the path of destruction they have cut across the country. Carla doesn't really know how that tree jumped out in front of her, but Harold shows proof that something in the car was defective. Maybe the driver? (Buckwalter)



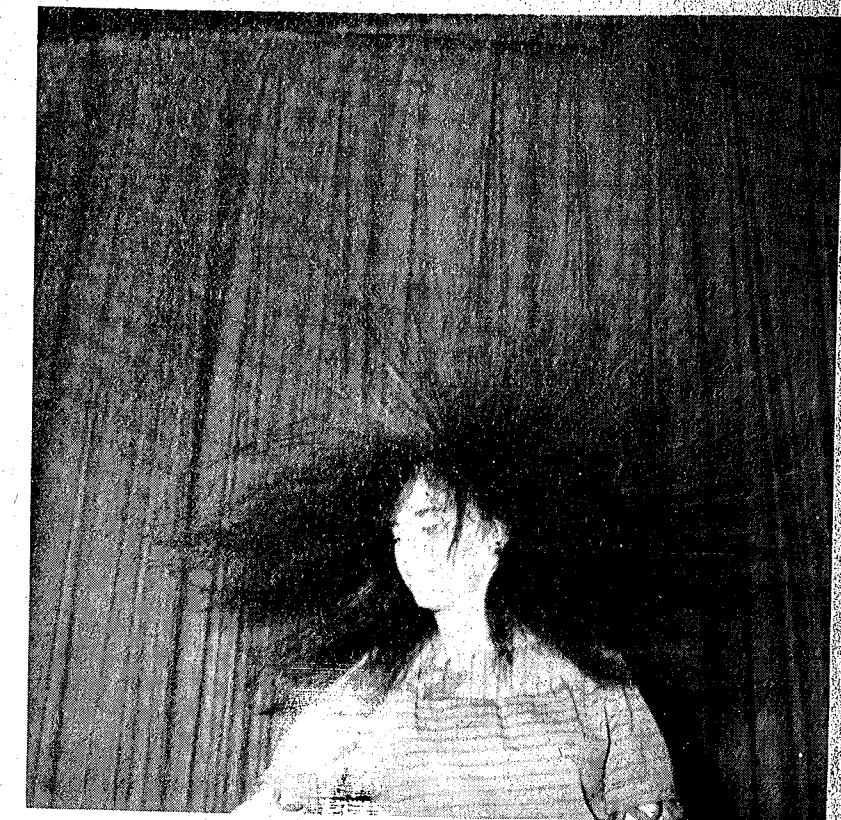
### A Star Is Born

PLAYING A LILTING TUNE on his giant-sized, chocolate-covered Chiquita banana, Walter Jakubowski serenades fifth period diners with his own unique brand of Country-Western music. When asked about his future plans, he replied, "We-ll I thought I'd head on down to Nashville, cut a few records, then go on out to Hollywood and be on one of them thar TV shows like Today or Mike Douglas." Probably he'll make it to Laugh-In sooner. (Buckwalter)



### Crimestoppers' Textbook

PLANNING THEIR latest escapade, Skip Stuck and Debbie Walpole review the details. "But, Skip, how can we rob the bank if we have detention for being late to homeroom?" "I guess we'll have to use the drive-in banking everyone's talking about," Skip sagely replies. (Walsh)



### Sprong!

BECKY GOLDEN displays a talent that makes her one of the more unusual members of the junior class. By sensory impulses, she forces her hair to stand on end at will. This effect occurs involuntarily when someone tickles her. At any rate, she will surely go far in the world. Horror pictures? (Walsh)