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ALAN FEIN

SC Elects Alan Fein

Alan Fein is February's Student of the Month, Student Council announced today.

Throughout his high school career, Alan has been able to combine service to his school with extracurricular activities. Alan's appointment as an editor-in-chief of the yearbook this year came as a result of his activity on the Green Wave as a junior.

Versatile Student

"Alan is a very versatile young man, who possesses the rare combination of scientific ability and literary talent," says Yearbook advisor Fred Link. Besides his editorship, Alan works very hard on the photography staff. He is also a member of the TRUMPET staff.

Since his freshman year Alan has been a member of the Future Doctors Club and was elected president as a junior. He is very active in debating and is a member of the N.F.L. Alan has been active in the Cube Roots Math Club, Physics Club, and the Latin Club.

Likes Science

Alan does not let his extra-curricular work hinder his school work. Especially interested in science, he won a first prize award at the Rutgers Science Fair last year. Last spring he participated in the 1964 Monmouth College Junior Science and Humanities symposium.

Alan has been just as active outside of school. In his junior year he was elected national vice-president of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth. This year he is Regional advisor for the New Jersey chapter.

Alan's future plans include college and, after graduation a career in medicine or research work.

"The Music Man" Comes To Town

"The Music Man" is coming to Long Branch High. On March 26 and 27, the 8:40 Players will present this Meredith Willson musical. The show will star John Anastasio and Barbara Maxon. Raymond Arlo, English and drama instructor, will direct the play.

Problem with Pool

The show, which ran for more than two years on Broadway, is about Harold Hill, a fast-talking salesman who tries to convince the people of River City, Iowa, to buy band instruments and uniforms in order to get out of serious trouble. The River City billiard parlor has just put in a pool table! This salesman, however, cannot even read music, and the town's music teacher/librarian is determined to do him in.

John Anastasio, the music man, is no stranger to Long Branch High School theatre. He played the kooky Doctor Kokintz in last year's production of "The Mouse That Roared." He is a music man himself, having played first clarinet in the LBHS Marching Band, Concert Band, and Orchestra since his freshman year.

A Great Hit

"The Music Man" is about the best thing that's ever hit Long Branch High," said John. "Harold Hill is the funniest man I've played: a real con-man, big and brassy, and quite a character. The play should be a tremendous success."

Barbara Maxon will play Mar-



Music man JOHN ANASTASIO serenades his leading lady, BARBARA MAXON, while KENNY (Winthrop Paroo) FELDMAN expresses his approval.

ion, the librarian. "The Music Man" is Barbara's first play at Long Branch High, but she has earned the female lead. Aside from her drama activities, Barbara is a member of the debating team and is a soprano in the Choral Music Chorale.

Kenny Feldman will play Win-

throp Paroo, an unhappy boy with a lisp, who is the first to recognize what the music man really stands for. Lester Anderson will play Mayor Shinn who owns the billiard parlor denounced by Harold Hill, and who is interrupted in his recitation of the Gettysburg Address by a player piano, Mr. Hill,

and an explosion. Anita Fontana will play the mayor's wife. Mrs. Shinn is exactly the type of person one would expect somebody named Eulalee McKecknie Shinn to be: the local gossip, about as "high society" as a small-town woman can get.

Experienced Director

Mr. Arlo, the director of the play, is a veteran of more than thirty Off-Broadway productions, a year in Europe on a Fulbright Fellowship, and two years at Long Branch High School.

Conductor Dominic R. Soriano and the LBHS Orchestra will add music to "The Music Man." Among the numbers will be the well-known "76 Trombones," "Till There Was You," "Lida Rose," and "Gary, Indiana."

Tickets for the production will cost \$1.00.

Up And Coming

- March 6—College Boards
- Jr.-Faculty Game
- Parents' Advisory Council Smorgasbord
- 7—High School Concert Hall
- 10—Marking period ends
- 13—NEDT National Merit Qualifying Exam
- 19—Report cards issued
- 26—State Poetry Contest
- 26,27—"The Music Man"
- 31—Youth County Good Government Day

Jrs. Prepare For "Panic"

This Saturday the Class of '66 will present "The Panic," their version of the annual Junior-Faculty Game. "The Panic" will feature a comedy basketball team, a forty-minute regulation game, and a dance afterwards lasting until 11:30.

The Junior-Faculty Game is designed to raise funds for the Junior Prom, "The Twelfth of Never," which will be held on May 29. Class president Anthony Greenwood said that the juniors have had unusually good luck in collecting dues, and he hopes his classmates will be as eager to support the Junior-Faculty Game.

Henry Eng and Andrea Sorrentino, co-chairmen of the Entertainment Committee, have announced that local singing groups will perform at the dance after the basketball game. They will also supply records and tapes.

Jane Adiano is in charge of refreshments; John Plancey is taking care of publicity, and Lynn Mazzeo is responsible for ticket sales.

Team managers Steve Garten and Henry Anderson hope that their team will fare better than

junior teams have done in the past. For the last three years the faculty has beaten the student squads, but the Class of '66 are sure that this year will prove different. The team is led by four boys with J. V. experience.

The Line-Up

Leading candidates for the five starting berths of the junior team are Dan Dilly, Jody Hyres, Willie Snell, Daryl Brabham and Carl Jennings. Other members of the squad are Carmen Aschetino, Harry Butler, Mike D'Ambrisi, Henry Eng, Joe Minberg, Fred Stevenson and John Wilbert. Faced with the problem of a lack of height, the team hopes to make up for this with a pressing defense and a fast-breaking offense.

Junior class secretary Henry Eng is in charge of lining up team members for the faculty squad. The teachers who have already signed up for the game are Raymond Arlo, Milton Belford, George DeLorenzo, Raymond DeSibio, Rollo Galbraith, Charles Kline, Irv Kurinsky, James Mason, Hugh Mendez, R. W. Walsack, Paul Weinstein and Ronald Wolfe.

Tickets are on sale at \$1.00.



First stringer CARL JENNINGS keeps the ball away from fellow Junior, HAROLD BROWN, in practice for "The Panic."

The Purpose Of Joining

Most students will concede that schools are both for academic development and for learning to work with others in a democratic society. In theory, clubs and other extracurricular activities admirably fulfill these purposes by giving their members the opportunity to associate with others, express their ideas, and develop and pursue their interests. However many students do not join activities because they feel that "do nothing" presidents or faculty advisors have made the clubs inactive. These students are partially right; many clubs are faltering. However, the failing is often not in the president or the faculty advisor. The fault lies with club members who have forgotten the purposes of joining the club.

Instead of joining to develop and pursue their interests, many have joined for the sake of filling a college application's extracurricular activities section. Others join clubs to get their photographs in the yearbook or to get to go on the trip to the science fair at Rutgers.

Other students join clubs out of a genuine interest, but forgetting that club membership implies a responsibility to express ideas and participate in the formulation of club policies and programs, they leave all the work to the club officers; if the clubs are not all that the members want them to be, it is because the members do not take pains to make them so.

The TRUMPET urges students to join clubs and other activities. It urges the future physicist to join the physics club, the basketball enthusiast to join the basketball team. . . . However, it urges them to also remember what the purposes of clubs are, and what the members' responsibilities are. If they do this, clubs will be worthwhile expenditures of time and more than "do nothing" organizations.

Inquiring Reporter

Question: If you were the Inquiring Reporter, what question would you ask?

Sue Scott (Senior) - Should boys be able to come to school without socks on?

Lemar Drinks (freshman) - Why do movie stars get married every two years?

Alan Berman (Senior) - Why does Ben Cittadino's face turn red?

Rich Ricciardi (Senior) - What causes that smell in the cafeteria?

Robert Goode (freshman) - Do you love me, now that I can dance?

Christy Smith (junior) - Who wants to buy some peanut brittle . . . please.

Eddie Selnick (freshman) - What can be done to promote school spirit?

Chris Lidle (Senior) - Who are the

nicest girls in the school?

Alan Weinstock (junior) - Do you think marks should be abolished?

Diane Larsen (sophomore) - Do you watch Soupy Sales?

Roger Wilbert (junior) - Gee, I don't know!

Faith Teitelbaum (junior) - Why are some football players so conceited?

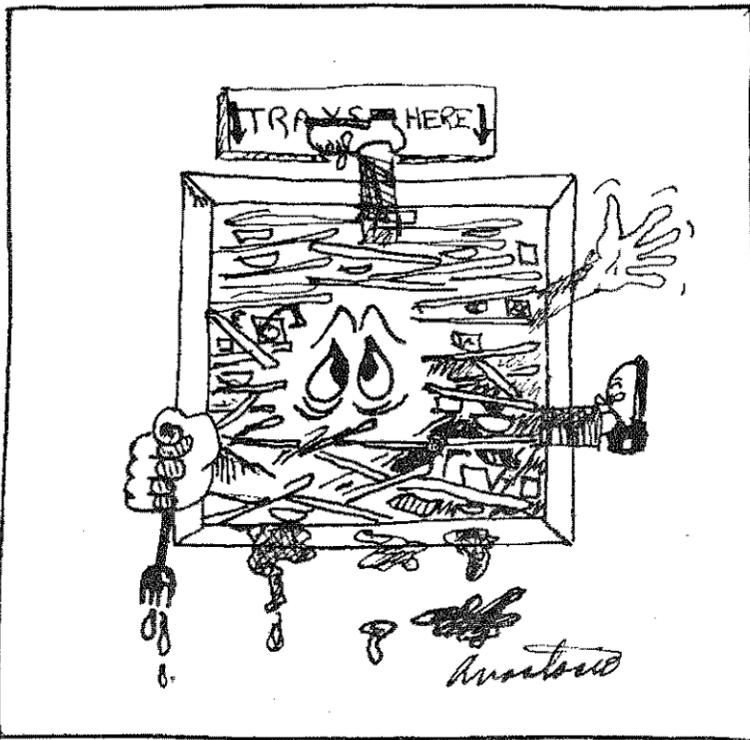
Hedy Feldman (freshman) - What do you dislike most about the school?

Greg Bloodgood (Senior) - If you saw a person wearing a long collar, would you think he was a refugee from Batman's cave?

Jane Adiano (Junior) - Boy! What a reporter! He doesn't even know what question to ask!

Steve Jacobs (junior) - Does your chewing gum lose its flavor on the bedpost overnight?

— Joe Minceberg



by Helen Rankin
Donna Thompson

Hi there kids!

Well, Valentine's Day has come again! We all seem to know who's going together now, but how's your memory as to who was going together in eighth grade. Do you remember Johnny Mehrlander & Connie Stouffer, Billy Baker & Jeanne Mazzacco, Richie Bastedo & June Anastasia, Steve Kothe & Delores Camagna, Bobby Baldino & Lorraine Sorrentino, Jack Wright & Joan Ricciardi, Jerry Van Brunt & Gayle Blaisdell, Jack Rise & Marlene Harris, Chet Phillips & Helaine Evans, and Jimmy Fusco & Helen Foring?

Going to see Goldfinger at 4:00 A.M. proved to be unique experience for Mike Ross, Alan Berman, Mark Stamata, Laurence Shatkin. Not only did they all sneak out of the house to go see the movie, but they also got their names in the Newark News and had breakfast served to them at the movies. However, Mike Ross is still paying for it. You see, his father is not speaking to him, he can't use the car until he is twenty-one, and he can't watch T.V. for one year.

Car Trouble

Everything seems to happen to Helen Foring and her car. After pulling into Richie Anderson's parking space in the student parking lot, she promptly had her hub caps removed by Richie who refused to return them unless she moved.

Nancy Collins' English class couldn't understand why she was having such a difficult time reading a story aloud. It was all explained when she stopped and removed her retainer from her mouth and then continued merrily on her way reading much more clearly and distinctly.

Sneaks In

We heard about you, Joyce Zimmerman, and how you got dressed up like an old wash woman and sneaked in to see the Jackie Gleason Show in Florida. How about it, Joyce, do you think it was worth it?

Mary McGlennon, Fran Cittadino, Kathy Edwards, Jeanne Ciaglia and Suzi Scott were sure surprised on the morning after Kate Connolly's pajama party. They all woke up at 5:00 A.M. and walked down to the beach to see the sun rise. It wasn't until they got there (all wrapped up in blankets and their pajamas) that they realized that the sun didn't rise until 6:30. Instead of going home, they went to church and prayed for an hour and a half.

Thank you editors of the TRUMPET. Thank you proof readers of the TRUMPET. My name (Ras-

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Why Do Students Cheat?

In recent weeks, the topic of cheating has been under much discussion throughout the country. Psychologists, professors, and educators have expressed their views in this apparently growing trend. I would like to express my opinion, that of a student's, on this subject.

Guilty Society

Experts may agree on the subconscious mind and underlying motivations of the student who cheats, but I place the blame squarely on society in general. Unfortunately, the emphasis in high school is not to learn, but rather to get into college. This simply cannot be done without good grades. Thus, the key to the situation is competition. Never before have so many tried for such high grades to get into so few colleges.

Frankly speaking, I do not think it exaggerating to say that 95% of all students are involved in cheating. The degree may vary - some may try it once or twice while others make a steady practice of it and some will restrict it to minor quizzes while others will cheat on final exams. If one is to look at this 95% estimation without any perspective, they may find it truly appalling. Why we must try to understand why it is so high.

Competition

In the world today, especially the business world, we find many practices that, although nearly illegal, are written off as a means to success. These unethical practices are blamed on the keenness of competition.

This keenness of competition has drifted into the classroom. This is my point. Many students, like business firms, think it all right to use unethical practices in order to be successful. To them, the end justifies the means. Can we place the blame wholly on them, when all around them they see the same thing, only on a much larger scale?

I am not condoning the practice

of cheating. I am merely trying to explain it. If people would stop saying how terrible it is - what a dreadful thing it is to compromise with integrity - and instead look squarely at the problem, the situation could get better. As it stands now, it can only get worse. It is a well known fact that the competition increases greatly every year.

What is the solution? It may sound impractical but the importance of marks must be brought back down and put in its proper perspective. We can learn to live without them.

Most important, it is our job as students to try to build a whole new set of ideals and make them meaningful. We must do this not only for ourselves but for everyone.

You just can't brush this off as being unimportant.

—Alan Bernstein

Ten Tested Time Killers

1. Gargle with peanut butter.
2. Remember the Alamo.
3. Mail a letter with Green Stamps.
4. Write something for the TRUMPET.
5. Send a copy of the TRUMPET to the House Un-American Activities Committee.
6. Write to Ringo Starr and ask for his tonsils.
7. Form a posse to lynch the TRUMPET proofreader.
8. Mail a balloon full of water to Time Magazine.
9. Buy a hippopotamus; then try to sell him.
10. Place a long-distance collect phone call to Big Ben in London.

—Stefan Irving



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DOUBLE TROUBLE
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kin?) has never been so misspelled in its entire life. All of you had better watch your steps from now on. I'll start to print the truth about you rats.

Well, that's all for now kiddies, but remember the witches are watching.

School Cinema Suggestions

Audio-Visual Aids have now become an integral part of our education. Many types of equipment are available in this school. There are opaque projectors, tape recorders, filmstrip projectors, and record players. But the most valuable piece of hardware that we possess is the ever-faithful movie projector.

Seeing a film in class affords us many "pleasures." The lights go out. Suddenly an ear-popping scream pierces the air. It's not the cry of a tormented soul, but the voice of the narrator coming through the speaker that just warmed up. It seems that the operator thinks the amplifier will warm up quicker if it is turned on full blast.

Film or Flickers

After a few flickers and slipped sprockets, the film starts. All goes well for a few minutes except for the punches that are being traded under cover of darkness. The high point of the film approaches and everyone's attention is riveted to the screen, and the film breaks! Hoots of derision fill the air. The students have used their entire vocabulary of derogatory names upon the operator by the time the film is spliced. The film finally ends and before the lights go up again, the viewers compete to see who can get the most hand shadow-figures on the screen. The film is rewound at last and the class returns to normal.

As a public service we would like to offer some suggestions that

.0046 vs. Butterfinger

Last week, while testing the firepower of my new KRZ IV paper blowgun, I received an urgent call from L, my superior in the C.P.C., in which I am agent 0046.

At the briefing, L told me that the C.P.C., better known as Cafeteria Problem Committee, was having trouble with the notorious Caf-Wreck agent, **Butterfinger**. It was suspected that this subversive had been instigating food riots, stealing silverware and trays, softening ice cream, and causing an epidemic of malnutrition in the cafeteria at L.B.H.S. L gave me orders to eliminate **Butterfinger**. I gathered my weapons and left for the cafeteria.

The C.P.C.'s undercover agent, J, who was on duty, told me that **Butterfinger**, disguised as a Coke machine, was planning something big today, but he didn't know what.

Cautiously I grabbed a tray. On it was written, "We will chew you up! Signed, **Butterfinger**." Somehow he knew I was there. But how? As I pondered this ques-

tion, I felt something cold and soft against my neck. It was a vanilla Frostick thrown by one of **Butterfinger's** hoodlums. They were all around the cafeteria. Suddenly, I saw **Butterfinger** himself at the back of the room. I recognized him by his greasy thumbs, the imprints of which had been found on so many pats of butter. I started to run toward him, but I went flying ten feet because I had slipped on a banana peel that **Butterfinger** had planted on the floor. By the time I rose to my feet, **Butterfinger** had disappeared. While I was searching the trash cans for him, the "something big" started.

Enemy Potatoes

A scoop of mashed potatoes landed in my face. Wading through a puddle of grape drink, I was knocked down by a flying meat loaf and fell on a pile of lasagna.

I darted through the door to take cover in the locker room. There stood **Butterfinger**, smugly contemplating the havoc he had wrought. When he saw me, he ran into the kitchen. I followed in pursuit. I caught him hiding behind a pile of wet trays. We struggled viciously, but with the help of karate and dirty wrestling, I pushed him toward a vat of chicken soup and heaved him in. Since he couldn't swim, he drowned. Ever since, the soup has tasted meatier.

I rushed into L's office and told me that I would receive the C.P.C. medal of honor. Now I can add to that fruit salad I wear on my dress uniform.

—Maxwell Colby

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FLYING SPIKES



M.S.

by Mike Ross

The indoor track season has come and gone with many new indoor records set in the big meets around the country. Here in the shore area, although many readers are unaware of them, indoor track meets are also held. Long Branch had no indoor track team this year, but other shore high schools were very active in the sport during the past few months.

Asbury Park, always a strong track school, has done well in its meets against the big Group IV schools. The Bishops are led by Leon Sanders, the speedy hurdler who has shone in all of the Convention Hall meets. Sprint man Bob Wilkens, who took fifth place in the 60 yard dash in last year's N.J. State Interscholastic Athletic Association indoor track and field championships, also stands out for the Bishops.

CBA Also Strong

CBA, another perennial track powerhouse, has a large number of stars who continually outdo themselves in the parochial league meets. Milers Don Rowe and Tim Sheehan, high jumpers Bill Scrobagna and Craig Canfield, and strong weight and relay men are outstanding on CBA's strong squad. In the hurdles, usually a weak event for CBA, Joe Utz has come through with a surprise win to capture the parochial league crown in his event.

Most New Jersey indoor track squads had a chance to flex their muscles in the NJSIAA indoor track and field championships in Jersey City. This year one record was tied and one broken in the meet. The tie was made by Neptune's football and track speedster Rick Hopkins as his time for 60 yards was 6.4 seconds. Although it fields no indoor track squad, Neptune was third in Group IV competition on Hopkins' victory, a win in the quarter mile by Bill Findler in 53.2 seconds, a third place in the 60 yard dash by Arnold Morgan, and a fifth by Bruce Hewitson in the high jump.

Berg Sets Record

The new record in the meet was set by Central Regional's George Berg, who ran a 52.8 quarter to break the old Group I and II record. Central's Ed Shattuck also performed excellently, running a 4:33.7 mile to take second.

In the parochial division, CBA was fourth on a 4:34 mile by Rowe for fourth, a 2-3 high jump finish by Scrobagna and Canfield, a 2-3



BRANCHER STAN LEWIS fights to hold ball in Toms River game, which Long Branch lost as the Indians' Jim Crawford exploded for 39 points.

Cagers' Record Drop To Dismal 3-14

The Long Branch basketball quintet broke a mid-season six game losing streak with a victory over Monmouth Regional only to fall into another winless string of six. Despite the Wave's good scoring ability, the local teams have proved too much. The squad's record now stands at 3-9 for Shore Conference play and 3-14 for overall action.

The Green Wave began the recent campaign with a 49-44 victory over the Falcons on January 19. Both teams had trouble getting started, with the score standing at 1-1 until 4:40 of the first period. Buckets by Branchers Roy Daniels and Bob Yeagle in the middle of the second stanza converted an 8-8 first quarter deadlock into a 24-21 halftime bulge. The second half saw the Falcons come within a point of the Wave, but a jumper by Andre Bellinger and two foul shots by Daniels secured the Long Branch win 49-44.

hurdles finish by Utz and John Kellenyi, and a 4-5 finish in the 60 yard dash by Art Fareillo and Tom Heath.

In the Group I and II competition, Henry Hudson tied for fourth with Woodridge. Cyril Metzinger took third place in the shot put for the Admirals, whose 1000 yard relay team and high jumper Dean Growcock were second. Shore Regional tied for ninth in the group on John Shirk's 52 foot shot-put win.

Asbury placed eighteenth in Group IV on Sanders' hurdles win in 7.5 seconds. Wilkens was unable to place in the dash as he lost in a semi-final.

Next action saw the Branchers trade a halftime deadlock for an 82-69 loss to Red Bank. An early string of long one-handers by Harry Ray enabled the Branchers to take a 20-16 lead. The Wave held the advantage until late in the second quarter when a Red Bank foul shot made it 36 all. A lopsided third frame gave the Bucs an 11 point jump, which they held through the remainder. Shore Conference high scorer Bill Horlacher netted 31 for the Bucs and teammate Frederickson had 27. Sharpshooters Harry Ray and Andre Bellinger turned in 27 and 23 for Long Branch.

Crawford Sparks Win

A redhot Toms River five led by Jim Crawford overturned the Branchers in the next game. Crawford netted an amazing 39 points to give the 91-67 decision to the Indians. The Wave shot a fine 50 per cent from the floor but Toms River shot even better and recorded numerous steals.

In a non-Conference game, the Branchers fought a basket battle with the Red Bank Catholic Caseys, only to bow 88-77. The Caseys stunned the Branchers in the opening minutes by grabbing a big 21-13 lead. But in the second period, sophomore Butch Odom came off the bench to spark a Wave rally. The halftime buzzer saw the Branchers leave the floor two points ahead.

The Caseys pulled their own third quarter streak to go ahead 63-53. In the final stanza, each team matched points at 25 to sustain the Caseys' earlier effort.

Bowlers Tied For First

Wins over Rumson-Fair Haven, Keyport, and second place Middletown widened the Branchers' lead in the Shore Conference bowling league to two games. The Wave was then shut out by Matawan to drop to second, but came back in fine form to sweep three games from Henry Hudson and move into a tie for first place with Middletown.

In their match with Rumson-Fair Haven the Wave keggers swept three games by margins of 15, 45, and 80 pins. Ken Dennison was high for the day with a 520 series. Nick Russo, Joel Waldman, and Jim Hartner had a 510 series while John Addeo brought up the rear with a respectable 490 total.

Take Match 2-1

The bowlers took two games from Keyport in their following match, as the stubborn Raiders prevailed by 20 pins in the third game. Numerous splits in that game hindered the Branchers. Hartner paced the team with a fine 550 series as Dennison and Waldman followed closely with series of 520. Russo spilled 490 pins while Addeo and Dave Yellin combined to roll a 440.

The following week the Branchers rose to the challenge of the tough second place Middletown team and took the first two games by 17 and 30 pins. In the third

game, however, the Lions scored an incredible 1008 to top Long Branch's 943. Dennison's 578 series sparked the team with Waldman scoring 570, Russo 543, and Hartner 530. Steve Robinson rounded out the team with a 510.

Long Branch met with disaster against Matawan as the Huskies handed the Wave a 3-0 loss and dropped L.B. to second place in the Northern Division. Hartner was top man with 589 as Dennison followed with 520. Waldman scored 485 and Addeo 465.

Bouncing back the next week, the Wave swept three games from Henry Hudson to catch Middletown and tie for first place. Dennison was high scorer with 578. A 535 by Hartner coupled with Russo's 530, Waldman's 510, and Robinson's 498 provided the team with a decisive victory.

JV Grapplers Post 6-1 Year

Led by Senior Jon Ducore and junior Wayne Salter, the jayvee wrestling team compiled an impressive record of six wins and one loss. Jon and Wayne, co-captains of the squad, were both undefeated in the seven matches.

The highlight of the season was a 28-17 defeat of a previously unbeaten Middletown team. The meet began with Middletown taking the 98 lb., 106 lb., and 115 lb. weight class matches by decision. The Branchers then got rolling as Wayne Salter won a 7-3 decision at 122 lb., Vellie Mitchell scored a third period pin at 129, and Tony Colbert at 136 pinned his man in 3:11. Joe Ballino, wrestling his first match, scored two points for the team via a 5-5 tie.

Ducore Scores

The Branchers took a commanding 23-14 lead as Ducore scored a pin at 154 lbs. in 3:15 and Sonny Sherrill decided his man in the 168 lb. class, 3-0. Wrestling manager Steve Garten was then decided in the 177 lb. class, but by not being pinned he clinched the meet for Long Branch. George Colbert iced the victory with a first period pin in the heavyweight match. George, a varsity man last year at 177 lbs., this year moved up to heavyweight and posted a fine 5-1 record.

John Vaccarelli, Steve Derkoski, and Tony Colbert also lost just one match this season. With most of this exceptionally strong team returning next year, another great year for the Branchers can be expected.

Butch Odom and Roger Wilbert both led the well-balanced Brancher scoring attack with 17. Roy Daniels and Harry Ray also saw double figures for Long Branch.

On February 2, an unbeaten Neptune squad topped the Wave 92-69. In the opening minutes of play a string of layups by Roger Wilbert pushed the Branchers ahead 8-5. The Scarlet Fliers then came on strong to hold the lead for the rest of the game. Fred Warren and Steve Cutillo led their team to 19-10 and 50-23 quarter and half-time advantages.

A fast break dunk by Butch Odom at the start of the second half signalled a Brancher return. The Wave managed to match the Shore Conference champs evenly for the half, as Neptune put in its reserves in the final frame. Brancher Roger Wilbert led game scoring with 26 and corner shooter Bob Yeagle notched 12.

Falcons Upset Wave

In a second encounter with Monmouth Regional, the Branchers was upset 46-50. The Wave made up an early 10 point deficit to lead at the quarter, but lost the game by slight margins in the next two periods.

Latest action saw Long Branch fall to the highly-rated Middletown squad 80-65. Four jumpers by Andre Bellinger gave the Branchers an early upper hand, but the Lions' superior rebounding helped them to come on strong for a 42-30 halftime lead. Middletown held through the remainder to clinch a Wave defeat. Bellinger's 25 points paced the scoring for both teams.

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Matmen Win Northern Title; Fall To Brick

The Brancher grapplers, by virtue of their 10-0 dual meet record and 7-0 Shore Conference Northern Division record, earned a shot at the Shore Conference crown. Due to a technicality, the championship match was not against Toms River, but against Brick Township, whom the Branchers had previously defeated. However, the Wave lost the championship on a 22-20 heartbreaker.

Grab Early Lead

Steve Stahl started the evening off with a 9-0 victory, giving the team three points. John Alberti lost a rough one on riding time at 106 lbs. 5-4. "Chickie" Grasso gave the team the lead again with a 7-3 victory. At this point the team score was 6-3. At 123 lbs. Jim Vincelli came through in championship style, scoring a 3:25 pin. This was the first and only pin of the evening for the Wave. It was this lack of pins that was the key factor in the meet.

Neal Green kept the string going with a fine 12-2 victory. Though Neal won, he suffered a recurrence of a summer injury which had also bothered him early in the season. The Long Branch win string was broken as John Tomaino lost a 13-2 decision. At this point the team score was 14-6 favor Long Branch. In the 141 and 148 lb. classes Fred Salter and Con Gaskin scored what turned out to be the last points of the evening for

the Branchers. They won by decisions, 5-0 and 6-0.

With a seemingly safe 20-6 lead, the roof fell in on the Wave. Bill Sacchetto lost 7-1 to John DeMarco, who wrestled Con Gaskin to a tie the previous time the team met. Although losing, Bill fought a great match. The next two matches proved to be the downfall of the team. Carl Larson and Sonny Sherrill were pinned in 3:57 and 3:53 respectively. With the score 20-19 in Long Branch's favor, the meet entered its final match, heavyweight. Brick Township moved its 168 lb. wrestler, Jim Greco, into the heavyweight spot. Jim was fourth in the state last year in his weight class, and his speed proved too much for Denny Del Vecchio as he scored an 8-0 victory and gave Brick Township the match and championship 22-20.

Rumson Falls

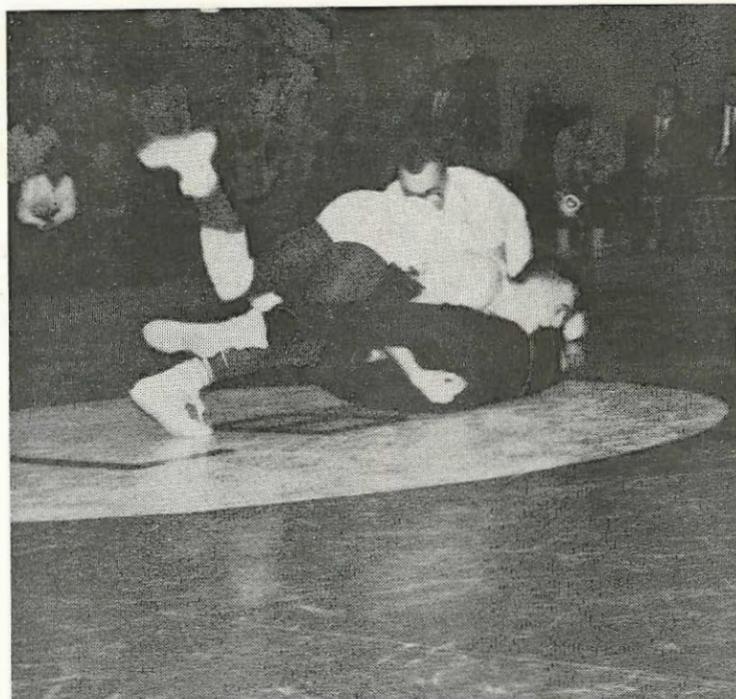
In its earlier dual meets the team scored impressive victories. On Jan. 22 the team travelled to Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High and scored an overwhelming 47-3 victory. Steve Grasso scored a second period pin, Jim Vincelli pinned his man in 1:55 with a cross-face cradle, Fred Salter and Con Gaskin both scored second period pins, and heavyweight Dennis Del Vecchio scored the fastest pin in 1 minute 34 seconds.

Brick Township's Green Dragons invaded Long Branch on Jan. 26 for what turned out to be a preview of the championship match. The Green Wave earned a hard fought 32-15 victory. Scoring pins for the Green Wave were Steve Stahl in 1 min. 43 sec., Steve Grasso in 3:17, and Fred Salter in 3:27. Con Gaskin wrestled a fantastic match in the 147 lb. class, but it turned out to be a tie. His opponent, John De Marco, was also undefeated.

Roll Over Red Bank

Red Bank proved to be easy for us; the Green Wave demolished the Bucs 48-6. From the 98 lb. class to the 135 lb. class the team scored six straight pins. At 140, Fred Salter scored a 9-4 decision to break the string. Con Gaskin, Carl Larson, and Dennis Del Vecchio scored pins to add the final points.

The Middletown Lions were the team's next foes. Long Branch was once again victorious with a 30-14 performance which clinched the Northern Division crown. Steve Stahl started things with a 7-2 victory. Steve Grasso then squeaked out a 3-2 decision on time advantage. Jim Vincelli scored his sixth pin of the year in the third period of his match. Neal Green and John Tomaino then scored 5-0 and 6-0 decisions. Fred Salter came through with a 2:43 pin, and Con Gaskin scored a 12-0 victory. The



JIM VINCELLI pins his man with a half-nelson in the Middletown meet, which the Branchers won 30-14 to clinch the Northern Division crown.

final points were scored by heavyweight Pin.

In the last regularly scheduled meet of the season the Branchers won a 39-11 victory over Lakewood. Leading 7-4 with six seconds left, Steve Stahl was pinned for his first defeat. John Alberti and Steve Grasso won by forfeits. Jim Vincelli then won a 7-0 decision, but trouble began. Neal Green

lost a close match 6-5 and John Tomaino lost 3-1. At this point the score was 13-11 Long Branch. However, the Branchers won the next six bouts. Fred Salter and Con Gaskin pinned their men in 3 min. and 2:51, and Bill Sacchetto won his fifth match 2-1. A 10-2 decision by Carl Larson, a forfeit win by Sonny Sherrill, and a 3 min. pin by Dennis Del Vecchio ended the meet.

Grasso February Athlete

Wrestler Steve Grasso is our choice for February Athlete of the Month. Steve has been on the varsity wrestling team for three years. Last year, after compiling a 7-1 record during the regular season, Steve captured the district championship in the 106 lb. class. Moving on to the regional tournament, he advanced to the semi-finals before he was beaten. He was credited with a third place.

This year, Steve moved up one weight class. He had to take off quite a bit of weight at the be-

ginning of the season in order to get down to the required 112 lbs. Losing weight while building up strength and stamina is extremely tough work and real proof of the desire and sheer guts that Steve possesses.

Scores 8 Wins

Because of his weight problem, Steve had to sit on the bench as Long Branch won its first three matches. However, when "Chickie" finally "made weight," he could not be beaten. He rolled over eight opponents in succession, making a large contribution to the Branchers' fine season.

Steve, along with several other Long Branch wrestling stars, will be heavily counted on in the district tournament on February 26 and 27. We hope that Steve will have won his second successive district championship when this paper comes out.



STEVE GRASSO

Steve, a fine all-around athlete, is a member of both the soccer and the baseball teams. His natural ability and his aggressive nature show up in these sports, just as they do in wrestling.

In addition to his sports, Steve has been active in the Varsity Club and the Offset Printing Club.

Frosh Cagers' Streak Ends

The Freshman basketball team had its win streak broken by the Asbury Park yearlings. Hampered by the loss of big John Jones due to injury, the Frosh then went on to lose four more games. Two of the losses came at the hands of Neptune while the others were to Red Bank Catholic and Middletown. Lamar Drinks, Don Odome, and Walt Howell have been leading the scoring attack during Jones' absence. Pete Vloyanites, Art Staggs, and Claude Corso have also been playing good ball.

Team Seesaws

The Blue Bishops dealt the Blue Frosh a 45-33 shellacking. In their next game the Frosh lost to the tough Neptune squad 47-43 in a close game. They got back on the winning path as they beat Red Bank 44-38, and then the Toms River team. The two-game winning streak was then broken by the second loss to Neptune. The Frosh then defeated the Falcons but against Red Bank Catholic lost 60-58 in another close game. The Frosh completely fell apart in the last two minutes as they had a 46-27 lead at that time. Don Odom was high man for L.B. with 23 points, while Drinks and Howell contributed 17 and 10 points respectively. In their most recent game against Middletown they lost. Overall, the team sports a 10-5 record.

The Jayvees are having a tough year. They have won only one

game since the last writing. The lack of scoring ability has hampered them tremendously. However, they have been making good defensive performances as they have limited their opponents to forty points or less on most occasions.

The Junior Branchers lost to Asbury Park 32-29. Butch Odome led the L.B. scorers with 14 points. In their next appearance, against Neptune, they lost 59-31. Monmouth Regional posted the next win over the J.V.'s, 40-21. Eminent Red Bank Catholic Ernie Jordan tossed in 13 points, but this was not enough as Long Branch again wound up on the short end, 58-46. The Bucs from Red Bank High romped over the Wave 38-30 even though Jordan and Jerry Morgan turned in sterling performances. The Toms River J.V.'s next beat Long Branch 49-38. Mike Greenwood had 10 points for L.B. However, the worst was yet to come. Neptune's jayvees met the Branchers for the second time this year in the next game. Long Branch's defense held the high flying Fliers to a 30-21 lead at the half but completely fell apart in the final two quarters as they lost 70-24, scoring only three points in the second half. Finally, the J.V.'s got onto the winning track as they romped over Monmouth Regional, 35-31. In their next outing Long Branch lost to Middletown, 43-39, to bring their record to 3 wins and 14 losses.

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Council Surveys Lunchroom

Student Council's many programs and committees are in full swing at this time, as evidenced by a host of Council activities recently. The most well known was Courtesy Week, which took place last month. Its purpose was to create an awareness of the importance of courtesy in and out of school. Said President Dick Lawn: "I feel that this program was a success. It made the students of our high school realize to a greater extent the importance of courtesy. Even if the project only helped a little bit, it was well worth the effort."

Hosts Tea

The Student Council-Faculty Tea was also held last month. With most of the members of the faculty and officers and committee chairmen of Student Council in attendance, the tea was quite successful.

The long awaited "up-and-com-

ing" bulletin board is finally up across the hall from the Guidance Office. It is being used by many clubs and activities.

Council's two new committees have been busily at work on their respective projects. The Cafeteria Study Committee recently met with members of the administration and cafeteria staff and worked out a list of problems for study and solution. These include the removal of rough chairs, the replacement of old trays with new fiber glass ones which will not bend, the possibility of the use of infrared lights to keep food hot, the sale of packaged fruit drink, and the installation of sanitary containers for condiments.

The Dress Code Committee also met with members of the administration to discuss revisions in the code. Most of these were later approved by Council, but there is still more to do before the revised code is complete.

College Acceptances

The following students have received notification of college acceptance since January:

John Addeo, Jonathan Ducore and Phil Levinson, Rutgers University; Robert Baldino, Bethany College; Alex D'Ambrosio, Seton Hall University; Judi Davis, Barbara Feldman, Sharon Golden, Bonnie Holtzman, Carole Inslerman, Nancy Kalish, Francine Raviele, Carla Rohr, Suzanne Scott, Ellen Stein and Ruth Tenzer, Douglass College; Jonathan Ducore, Boston University; Carol Freeman, Eastern School of Physicians' Aids; Beverly Gordon, Central State College; Nigel Grimm and Lesley Welch, Pfeiffer College; Arthur Harris, New York State University Agricultural and Technical Institute; Cecilia Hendrie, Georgian Court College.

Richard Lawn, Stanford University; Phil Levinson, Northeastern University; Frances Lytz, University of Bridgeport; Armand Mazie and Richard Shapiro, University of Toledo; Barbara Parotino and Rae Torchia, University of Arizona; Florence Pitcher and Joan Ricciardi, Mansfield State College; Francine Raviele, Ursinus College; Joan Ricciardi and Patti Wilbert, Madison College; Sue Rothrock, Cabrini College; Ann Schlegler, Ithaca College; Richard Shapiro, Ohio State University; Jim Simonelli, Pennsylvania Military Institute College; Lorraine Sorrentino, Villanova University; and Mark Stamaty, University of Cincinnati.

ence, languages, and other subjects are requested to check with information on the Guidance Office bulletin board. Application deadlines for many of these programs are approaching.

Barbara Feldman Earns LB Betty Crocker Award

Senior Barbara Feldman has taken first place in Long Branch High competition for the Betty Crocker Homemaking Contest held last December. Fifty-seven senior girls participated in the nationwide contest at the high school. The test rates each girl according to her homemaking ability and her knowledge of family and community life.

The state finalist, chosen from school finalists, will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. National winners are awarded \$5,000, \$4,000 and \$3,000 for first, second and third places respectively. These scholarships are applicable to the school of the winner's choosing and are not restricted to home economics majors.

Barbara, the school finalist, received a certificate and a pin. She was the first runner-up in the 1965



BARBARA FELDMAN

Junior Miss Pageant and is a member of the Twirling Squad. She chairs the Foreign Exchange Student Committee for Student Council and is active on the TRUMPET and the Public Speaking and Debating Society. Barbara plans to attend college, then seek a career in dramatics.

Guidance Plans Conferences; Boards, Merit Test In March

The Guidance Office is presently scheduling a series of career conferences to begin this month. Men and women working in various fields will meet with interested students to discuss their jobs. The different conferences were chosen on the basis of questionnaires filled out by the students in December. Sessions with a florist, a commercial pilot, a jeweler, and a physical therapist are among the first planned.

Boards, March 6

On Saturday, March 6, the College Board tests will be administered. Students planning to take the SAT's should arrive at the testing center by 8:30. Those taking Achievements and the Writing Sample should arrive by 1:30.

The National Educational Development Test will be administered to sophomores and the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test to juniors on Saturday, March 13. Both tests begin at

eight o'clock in the morning.

The NEDT is used to point out the student's strengths and weaknesses in various subject areas. It is often the basis for further guidance. The National Merit Test is the preliminary step for consideration for a scholarship given by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Students chosen as semi-finalists on the test will be eligible for scholarship awards in their Senior year.

In the past month the Guidance Office has been finishing its interviews with eighth grade students and will resume program-planning conferences with the high school underclassmen.

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Four As Finalists**
Four Long Branch High School students have been named finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. They are Felix DeSantis, Stefan Irving, Richard Lawn, and Barry Unger. Classification as finalists places the boys among the top one-half of one per cent of high school seniors in the nation. Of the 14,000 finalists, 1600 will win merit scholarships, which are donated by colleges and leading U.S. industrial corporations.

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