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Christmas Vespers Given Today and Sunday in Aud.

"Christmas Vespers," sented by the Choir and Drama classes, under the direction of Mr. Alfred Fissinger and Mrs. Mary Frances Busby will be given during the 2, 3, 6, and 7 periods today and on Sunday, December 19, at 3 p.m. in the Auditorium.

The first portion of the semireligious program consists of selections written by Benjamin Britten. Included in the processional are Hadia Christus, and Wolcum Yole. "There is No Rose", is sung by the Concert Choir while Laurel Gersack will sing a solo entitled, "Balula-low."

Chamber singer's are; sopranos, Alice Allen, Laurel Gersack and Vickie Dowd; altos Sharon Sprusansky, Pat Lobody, Lynn Fleishman, and Kathy McDonald; tenors, Dennie Staples, Gordon Lynde, Ken Griffin; basses, Dwight Gary, Bill Gregoline, Mike Sommers, and Dennis Yugo, will sing "Carol of the Bells," by Wilhousky, "Lo, in the Time Appointed," by Healy Williams, and the traditional Christmas Carols.

"This Is Christmas," by Alfred Burt, will be presented by the group effort of the Drama and Choral Departments. Soloinclude, Gordon Lynde, Mike Sommers, Demnie Staples, Laurel Gersack, Robertta Mikologak, Patty Lobody, Phydlis Pilla and Sharon Sprusansky.

A pantomime drama on Christmas in present day like, with tableaus reflecting on the wonders of the first Christmas is also included in the program. It will be directed by Mrs. Busby. The main characters and who they will be portrayed by are; Willy Shearer, father; Karen Eberhardt, mother; Nicolette Christie, Chris Dybas, John Luzzi, children; Rich Tenorio and Linda Rush as Joseph and

This year's Vespers readers are Barbara Lakomek, Pat Cassey, Linda Watkins, Tammy Tetzloff, Ken Ortosky, Marty Kubiak, Dean Kontos, and Ted Chabraja.

Minor characters are Cindy Kunske, Bill Campbell and Wendell Smith, shepherds, and Mike Evon, as the Angel.

Carolers for the tableau are Aphodite Papakosmos, Mary Ann Sassano, Ed Pagela, Tony Hamilton, Sue Martin, Roz Lozlica and Mary Komorkowski. Also, Sandy Mioduske, Faye Markwell, Mary Daily, Barbara Stephanovich, Janice Tarter, Pam Buzuvis and Bill Elwood.

The stage crew for the show consists of Jim Evans, Jim Anderson, Bill Gilson and Louis Padovani.

This Christmas show is presented annually by the Choir and Drama classes, this is their way of saying, "Merry Christmas" to the students of Lew

Markowicz Wins Recognition

MARY LOIS MARKOWICZ of LEW WALLACE High School has been cited as one of the outstanding students of high school English in the country. The National Council of Teachers of English has named her a 1965 national (winner) in its annual Achievement Awards competition.

Last spring a committee of English teachers from the high school nominated Miss MARK-OICZ to represent LEW WAL-LACE High School in the competition. The nation's schools nominated almost 8,500 students for the NCTE citation. Of that number, 837 finalists were chosen. They represent 620 schools from 50 states, the District of Columbia, and American Preparatory Schools Abroad

In announcing the winners, James R. Squire, Executive Secretary of the National Council of Teachers of English,

stated that the Council recommends these students for college scholarships in 1966. The names of these students sent to every college and university admissions officer in the country. In previous years 99 percent of the Awards winners entered the college of their choice. Aprroximately 80 per cent of those applying for scholreceived financial aid.



Mary Markowicz

The NCTE sends to all winners and runners-up scrolls of recognition and it honors their high school English departments with certificates merit.

Mr. Jack Chidsey, Mrs. Kathryn Welsh, and Miss Evelyn Parnell have been Mary's English instructors at Lew Wallace High School. Mary's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Markowicz of 3701 Johnson St. in Gary.

Many Couples To Attend Inaugural Ball Tomorrow

The annual Inaugural Ball grams; Sheri Beamon and Iwill be held tomorrow, Decem-Main Gym. The theme is old fashioned Christmas with "Silver Bells" as the name. Colors this year are red, green and white. Music will be provided by the Red Arbuckles.

Carolyn Mallars and Pam Buzuvis are co-chairmen of the dance. Bob Zimmerman and Marlene Bowman are in charge of decorations. Working under them on the gym are Bernie Brier, Mary Lois Markowicz, Candy Banks, Vicki Erdelac and Terry Kubiak. Those helping in the halls are Sue Jelusich, Jo Anne Henderson, Maryanne Minarich, Margie Gersack, Pat McQuilken, Cindy

Eloff and Cindy Jordan. Other committees are; refreshments, Michele Opalak; band, Ken Ortosky; cloakroom, Janet Vorwald and John Zimmerman; tickets and prorene Yacura; favors, Marsha and Paula Kurowski; lighting, Gary Damian; and clean-up, Michele Urban, Terry Kubiak and Ed Niketh.

Seventh graders from Bailly Jr. High School will be serving they are, Gloria Bowman, Debbie Blash, Pam Egnatu, Elisa Warez and Caryn McQuilken.

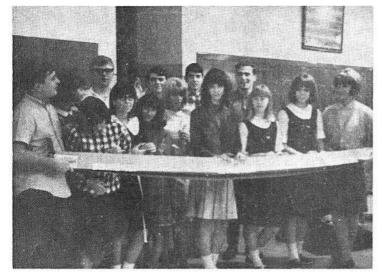
Chaparones are Mr. and Mrs. Vorwald, Mr. and Mrs. Orlich, Mr. and Mrs. Peroni, Mr. Smith, Mr. Vietti, Mr. Pollack, Miss Pochowski and Miss Brad-

Six and one half miles of crepe paper had to be stretched and cut for the dance tomorrow night. Fifteen jars of paint was used for the murals. 170 couples are planning to attend. 117 seniors, 80 juniors, 26 sophomores, and 6 freshmen. 13 students will attend from other schools and 46 out of school.

CURFEW

10:30 p.m. Sun. thru Thur. 11:00 p.m. Friday thru Sat.

This curfew applies to all persons seventeen years old



Elliot Gross

Bob Ivancevich

Making final adjustments for a mural for the Inaugural Ball tomorrow night are, Bob Zimmerman, Lucia Mammas, Ken Ortosky, Jo Rinkovsky, Della Banks, Rich Croll, Georgene Makavich, Don Wood, Louise Rachih, Jim Logan, Margie Gersack, Carol Linger, and Debbie Martin.

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Attend Holiday Tourney!

Holiday Messages Sent

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS

But what is Christmas, and what does it mean in a nuclear world? Is it just a beautiful legend or the poetic imagery of childhood? It would never have lasted so long if it had been. It could not stand up now if this was all there was to it. It is not fragile loveliness of lights and a star, the journey of wise men, the coming of shepherds. The gospel could live without these, just as it started without them. The stories we read and sing do not make Jesus. He made them. They have borrowed their splendor from Him.

We are sure to have a joyous Christmas if we remember the heart of it: "There is born to you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord!" (Luke 2:11)

> George W. Hutton Associate Minister First Presbyterian Church

Special Series Planned to Aid Students Here

High school students who are puzzled about a career choice will have the opportunity to appraise thirteen widely varied career fields in the WTTW/channel 11 series, YOU AND YOUR CAREER, to be telecast at 9 p.m. Tuesdays. The program began on December 14.

The premiere program, "Choosing Your Career," shows how two high school students go about deciding on a job field. They are shown taking inventory of themselves, discovering their strengths and weaknesses, and comparing their abilities with the demands of various career possibilities.

Subsequent programs in the series are as follows:

Program Topic Date December 21 Nursing Social Work January 4 January 11 Dentistry Agriculture January 18 January 25 Medical Technology Teaching February 1 February 8 Physical Education February 15 Forestry Mental Health February 22 March 1 Pharmacy Photography Veterinary Medicine March 15 YOU AND YOUR CAREER was produced by Robert Seipp,

I Believe In Santa

WTTW film director.

Having faith in Santa Claus Is not for just the young, I know I'll keep proclaiming him As long as I've a tongue;

And even though I see the gent Unmasked before my eyes, Revealing some familiar friend Who's donned the quaint disguise.

It doesn't change my mind a bit;
I'll still believe, because
There's more than whiskers
and a suit
To dear old Santa Claus.

Bright hopes there are, And dreams come true, Good cheer, unselfish sharing Personified by gifts of love Within the pack he's bearing.

To call these angels
'Santa Claus'
Is surely not deceiving,
So I, for one, will never scoff
But go right on believing.

CHRISTMAS LOVE

The story is told of a millionaire who lived in a huge mansion on a spacious estate high on a hill. With the millionaire lived his only son. At the bottom of this hill were the slums of a city-people crowded into one-room shacks without heat or light. One day the son on the hill decided to go down that hill and live with those at the bottom to try to help them live better. What love he showed for those prople!

This is the story of Christmas, although the comparison of the story doesn't come near the reality. The Son of God looked down at us from heaven, and he sympathized with our weaknesses, faults, sins...our spiritual poverty. And so many years ago he came down from heaven and lived with us to try to help us live better. What love he showed for us!

This is the meaning of Christ mas-God's love for us made visible in the flesh and blood of a child, a God-man, Jesus Christ. Come, let us adore him! Let us return his Christmas love, by loving God and our neighbor as ourself.

Monsignor Alvin J. Jasinski Pastor St. Mark's

Lord Of Flies' Summerized As Excellent Novel

The theme of Lord of the Flies by William Golding, is one which tries to reveal to the reader the instability of a civilization when its rules and regulations have been confiscated. In this story, children who were once polite, intelligent schoolboys are changed to hunters, killers, and literally cannibals.

The story centers around a group of boys who are the survivors of a shipwrecked vessel during a time of war, which is presumably during World War III.

The main characters of William Golding's Lord of the Flies are Jack, Ralph, and Piggy. There is continuous conflict and strife between Jack and Ralph, for each boy hopes to obtain the high rank of leader of the entire island as well as the fellow survivors of the shipwreck. Piggy, on the other hand, appears to be a sensible and intelligent boy whose goal is not like that of Jacks' or Ralph's, but who wants only peace and tranquility and to be left alone.

In the conclusion of the story, the group of children are rescued by a British naval officer who has the impression that the children were playing games, instead of realistically living their roles in their games. In return the children are overcome by a feeling of fright for they must resume their once civilized behavior.

In summarizing the Lord of the Flies, we must say that the story is an educational and literary work. This is one of the few excellent stories which may be recommended for adult and juvenile reading.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Outstanding Students

George, Cheryl Applauded By Staff



Cheryl Sirko and George Foley pause on the Main stairway to have their picture taken for the "Philosopher".

Put Christ In Christmas

"Christmas," as defined in Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, is "a Christian feast on December 25 that commemorates the birth of Christ," who is defined as "the ideal truth that comes as a divine manifestation of God to destroy incarnate error."

From the Webster defination we suppose that Christmas is a holy and religious event. It was meant to be just that. Is it?

In the highly commercialized world of today it is not unusual to see an official opening of the Christmas season, as far as business is concerned, on the very day after Thanksgiving.

True, people like to buy gifts and see beautiful decorations. People should also like to visit their God and glory at His wonderful mysteries, no matter what religious beliefs they hold.

The "incarnate error" spoken of in Webster's was the seemingly unpardonable sin committed by our first parents, this

tell you. I don't know how many

have noticed, but the Tree

Of Heaven by the east building

is gone. My beautiful home was

I lived in the tree all my

life, a whole three years! So

many wonderful things happen-

ed there. In 1962 I was born.

My first lesson in nut gathering

took place around it. And I gathered my first nuts, and stored them there.

I remember sitting on a limb

and watching the school child-

ren pass. Some even left me

peanuts or bread. One day a

few weeks ago, we noticed

some men looking at our tree.

They said it was dying and

would have to be cut down. My

mother cried all night, I didn't

believe they would. Then they

came with the saw, and that

day my beautiful Tree of Heav-

en died. I'll never forget my

home, it was the best tree in

the world. All of you, please don't forget my beautiful tree,

sniff. You'll have to excuse me

now, I think I'm going to cry,

cut down.

The Tree

sin has been pardoned, by "the ideal truth . . . a divine manifestation of God."

It seems that we may be reverting to that "incarnate error" at least in this country, as Americans tend to put more and more emphasis on the material aspect of Christmas rather than thinking about the "divine manifestation" of a GOD MADE MAN TO DESTROY THE carnate error" of man himself.

Commercialism, sales pitches and better ideals. All of these factors are playing a terribly important part in destroying the original meaning of the Christmas season. People are contributing, to another "incarnate error." This one will not be pardoned.

In this space aged, planet searching country of ours, we must come down from the stars. Mankind must realize why it is here. To honor God.

Christmas is a time to remember. It is a time we can truely use to honor and worship our creator.

This Christmas try to uncommercialize God. Let's put Christ back in Christmas.

Of Heaven Hello, sniff, my name is Clarence, and I'm a squirrel, sniff. I have something very sad to

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Journalism I students

Light brown hair and brown eyed describes senior Cheryl Sirko. Cheryl is presently the president of Spanish Club. This is her third year in the club and was Secretary last year. The meetings are all conducted in Spanish and Cheryl feels, "It gives a chance to put the language into action."

Besides Spanish Club, Cheryl participates in FTA, Biology Club, and Girls Club. She is also a member of the Senior Honor Society and attends Joe Berg Seminar for Spanish.

Reading is just one of her spare time activities. Jane Eyre, Wuthering Heights, and Joy in the Morning are just three of her favorite books. Cheryl also enjoys listening to records and is an avid fan of the Brothers Four, Ferrante and Teicher, and Percy Faith. Swimming, bowling, and tennis are the sports she enjoys most.

After graduating from high school, Cheryl plans to attend Indiana University and become an elementary teacher.

Brown eyed, 6 ft. 2 in. describes George Foley. This senior boy is the captain of the swimming team here at Lew Wallace. He has participated on the team for four years and was also captain last year. George has broken city records as well as conference and school records for swimming.

Besides being a top swimmer, George is a member of Spanish Club and was vicepresident in his junior year. He participated on the Junior Prom committee and is presently working on the Senior Prom Committee. Reading and watching television are he enjoys best out of school. One of his favorite books is To Kill A Mockingbird and his favorite movie is 'Goldfinger.' Among his outdoor activities include swimming and water skiing.

After finishing high school, George plans to attend Bowling Green University and major in business administration.

*December*by Loreli Marks

Pretty little snowflakes are falling from the sky, People in sleds are riding by.

Brightly colored lights decorate the store, There is a big green wreath at our front door.

Music in the air, happy voices singing, All over town Christmas bells are ringing.

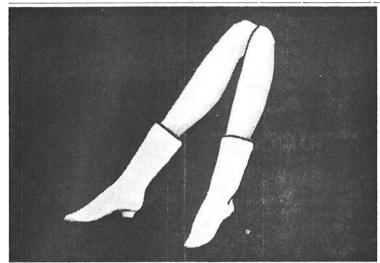
Pine tree and holly odors fill the air, Just look around you there's Christmas

I want a doll and bring me a bike, My wish is for a dog to take on a hike.

Santa will be busy spreading lots of cheer, I'm glad it's children he lets whisper in his ear.

We are making presents for someone very dear, Isn't this the best season of the year?

Without looking at the calendar I know you remember,
This is the wonderful month we call December.



Students Speak

New "Courreges Look"

This year at Lew Wallace, and likewise in other schools around the city, the new trend in fashion is seen everywhere on our campus. The most prominent trends include the "Mod Look", "Total Look", the only recently established "Granny from the West Coast, and the "Courreges Look". For those not familiar with the fashion scene, the "Courreges Look" claims as its own the cross-work of Modrian patterns on a white background and the Pop and Op Art dresses accented by white Courreges boots. These boots have come to the trademark and symbol of this generation's trend in fashion and the most controversial subject at this school. As a result, the question under considerationis, "Should or should not girls be allowed to sport this form of footwear in classes?"

The facts of the issue are clear. Those who oppose wearing Courreges boots during school hours claim that (1) they make too much noise, (2) girls tend to heighten their skirts because of them, (3) since they are boots they are meant only for outdoor wear, and (4) they are unhealthy.

In answer to the first point, Linda Preste sums it all up easily. "What's the difference between girls wearing Courreges boots and the guys wearing 'Beatle' boots? They make as much noise as the boys' shoes and so do the stacked heels that the girls wear!" Mary Markowicz does not like Courreges boots but answers the second point just as well

Yardley of London To Commence Sweeperoo Contest

Girls who long to tour the Tower of London, view the changing of the Guard, or beat out the London Beat on the Beatles' territory now have a chance to "make the scene."

All it takes is a winning entry in the new Yardley of London Sweeperoo Sweepstakes, which offers grand prizes of a full week in London, with room and board and \$280 to spend for two top winners--and a companion for each. One hundred runnersup each will receive classic cashmere sweaters, and 500 additional winners will get a bottle of Oh! de London cologne.

Contest entry blanks will be found in the December issue of Seventeen Magazine and at Yardley counters in drug and department stores from coast to coast. No purchase is necessary. Blanks must be filled in with entrant's and cosmetician's or druggist's names and addresses. Deadline for entries is March 31; winners will be chosen in a random drawing on April 15 and will be notified by April 29.

when she says, "If they're banning them because they say we wear our skirts too short then why don't they crack down on the short skirts instead of banning the boots?" Concerning number three, Linda Lesniak claims that "people who oppose boots in class have not looked into the matter. The white Courreges boots have thinner soles than the black boots we wear in the winter. Courreges boots are made of ordinary shoe leather without lining so how can they possibly be classified as overshoes? They were created only to be worn as complement of the new dress styles!" Finally, in answer to the charge that boots are unhealthy when worn continually indoors, Marlene Bowman, although not a Courreges fan, agrees with the Gary Post Tribune by saying, "Cowboys have been wearing them for years and it hasn't seemed to bother them!" Rich Croll contemplated the Courreges boot question and decided that although "they're fine on Go-Go girls" and not in school, he nevertheless agrees that "people should wear them according to their preference" and that "the school should not ban them.' Willy Moore echoes this opinion by claiming that "you should be able to wear what you want." Last but not least, Tony Rose effectively hits the nail on the head when he says, "I've been wearing boots to school for two years, so why shouldn't girls?"

At any rate, the question concerning the boots is still unsolved but Student Council will be working on the problem very shortly when the Dress Code comes up for revision. When this occurs, the student body of Lew Wallace hopes that the committee will answer the question fairly and with the students opinions in mind.

A JOYOUS HOLIDAY GREETING

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Twas The

Night

Twas the night before the game And all through the gym the payers were practicing But missing the rim.

The baskets were hung On the hoops with care In the hopes that victory Soon would be there.

The coach was thinking As all of them should About the glory of winning If only they could.

When the practice was over And it was time for a talk All the coach could do Was mutter and stalk.

It was the same old thing All over again: The coach was grumpy And itching to Win.

When out of the night There rose such a clatter; Everyone rushed to the door To see what was the matter.

They heard a faraway jingle Of bells in the air; With spines all a-tingle They rushed to the stair.

And then all of a sudden A red nose came into sight; Santa was bringing a transfer With plenty of height.

As the students all jumped With excitement and cheer The coach burst into smiles At the long-legged basketeer.

He was eight feet tall And could swish the net Without hitting the rim And hasn't missed yet.

Christmas Stocking

"To be taken out of a nice comfortable drawer on a winter night and strung up on a bedpost was not a common thing," thought the Stocking.

A little girl lay fast asleep in the bed. The curtains were drawn across the window. A night-light burned across the room. The little girl's clothes were neatly folded on a chair next to the wall and her stockings which she had worn that day were snug up inside her shoes, both of them snoring.

"I miss my mate," said the Stocking, glancing at the pair of stockings over the back of the chair. It's downright monstrous to take one stocking from a drawer and leave its mate behind! Oh, my poor heel and toe, how cold it is!"

Just as it finished speaking there was a noise in the chimney, and looking in the direction of the fireplace, the Stocking was amazed to see a very old, whitebearded gentleman in a red cloak. The Stocking, which was too wonder struck to speak, thought it never had seen such a quaint old man.

The old gentleman, who was none other than Father Christmas, advanced to the bed and let a big bag which he carried on his shoulder slide to the ground. As he looked about the room he noticed how neat and tidy it was. He put his hand on the Stocking and said, "Well my FRIEND, how do you find yourself tonight?"

"Rather lonely," answered the Stocking. "I miss my mate terribly, and it's cold. They took me out of my drawer and hung me up here alone in the

by Theresa Brier

dark without a glimpse of fire." "I'll warm you quick e-nough!" said Father Christmas and diving into his sack and pulling out types of toys and boxes of sweets, he began to cram the Stocking with pre-

"Hold hard!" cried the Stocking. "You'll split me if you aren't careful."

"You're new to this game, then?" he asked.

"I was only born this winter," told the Stocking. "I've only been worn four times, and I've scarcely shrunk an eighth of an inch in the wash. What are you up to now? You're stretching me out of shape!'

In the morning, Marsie woke up and tempted the Stocking of all its toys, and let it fall to the floor. "You're work is done," said she, and placed it back in the drawer.

"Well," said its mate, "and where have you been all night? Staying out by yourself, till morning like this! You ought to be ashamed of yourself."

"My dear," said the Stocking, 'I've never worked so hard before, or been so happy. But permit me to wish you a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year," and snuggling down in his drawer he went fast asleep.

> This is Phillup. Phillup who? Phillup Space.

WGVE Top Ten

TOP TEN

1. Run, Baby Run Newbeats 2. Let's Hang On Four Seasons

3. It's My Life Animals 4. Good News Week

Hedgehoppers Anonymous Len Barry

6. Michele ... Beatle's 7. Harlem Nocturne

Viscounts 8. It's Alright **Basooties** 9. I Ain't Goin' to Cut My

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The 1965-66 Varsity Basketball Team includes left to right row one: Mike Andreoli, Joe Bravo, Larry Sams, Ares Simos, Tom Mandon, and Bob Warieka. Row two left to right are Dave Shelbourne, Gene Mark, Steve Zakula, John Gielniak, Lyle Beaudreau, Tom Jadrnak, and John Minarich.

Young Team With High Hopes

Again this year the Wallace Hornets are to be lead by Coach Don Polizotto.

The Hornets so far this year have played Wirt, South Bend Adams. Horace Mann, and East Chicago Roosevelt. Wallace has won only one of the four encounters, the Wirt game. The Hornets lost a heart-breaker to Horace Mann 67-65, after losing an eight point lead with two minutes and thirty seconds remaining. Steve Zakula tallied 26 points to help the Hornets breeze past Wirt.

As we go down the list we find that there are six returning lettermen on this year's squad. They are: guards Bob Warieka and Joe Bravo; for-

ATTENTION

Students who work in stores at Christmas time should show their employers their social security card to enable the employer to make correct reports to the Internal Revenue Service for social security taxes.

If either father or mother worked under social security and is receiving monthly benefit checks or is deceased, you may be eligible for social security payments. If you are enrolled full-time in school and are under age 22, make inquiry at the Soci a 1 Security Office, 410 Washington Street, Gary, Indiana.

wards John Minarich, Mike Andreoli, and Steve Zakula; and John Gielniak is the lone center.

Only one non-letterman has earned a starting position this year. He is Gene Mark who is an excellent guard. The remaining boys are guards; Larry Sams, Tom Mandon, and Ares Psimos. Also are forwards Tom Jadrnak and Dave Shelbourne, who are coming on strong. Several of these boys have seen extensive action in the early games.

The general starting line-up has been so far; Joe Bravo and Gene Mark at the guard spots, John Gielniak at center, with Steve Zakula and Mike Andreoli rounding it out at the forwards. With competition like this, this line-up can be called only temporary.

This year's biggest point of stress was put on playing defense, a team that can play a halfway decent game on offense, and has a strong defense to back it up can and is very capable of winning a substantial number of games. In the end it is the team that makes less errors than his opponents who usually wins. The way to make the other team commit errors is to have a fundamentally strong defense.

The Reserve Squad should be given congratulations for the job they have done so far this season, winning three out of their first four games.

Coach Bill Kukoy is the head of this fine bunch of young and willing boys who really and honestly work one hundred per cent at winning, but they are also good losers. Let's hope that

they continue in their winning ways.

Members of this young Wallace Junior Varsity basketball team are Robert Molchan, Scott Muniz, Jim Lopez, Dennis Webb, Ken Biggs, Paul Blomeyer, Tommy "Gun" Bell, Bob Dickerson, Douglas Meretich, Rich Rectenwall, Alan Milgi, Jim Stochel and Tom Heins.

One interesting note is that Ken Biggs, who has usually been Coach Kukoy's starting line-up is only a freshman. This is not highly irregular but as far as this writer knows, only Art Yagodnik in the past eight years has turned this trick at Wallace. This seems sensible. Why restrict a boy because he is classified as a freshman. Wallace is looking forward to a successful year.

Mermen Win 5 Straight Now Face Bishop Noll

Mermen of Wallace have resumed the road to their winning ways. The team has a record of 5-1, having lost only to a powerful Goshen team in the first meet of the season.

In praise of the team, Coach Troy cited Blair Hills, Greg Stevens, Biron Buhner, Pete Cook, and Walt Bogdanich as 5 sophomores who have moved up very well on the team, and said these boys along with a few others will probably be the nucleus of next year's team.

Overall, the entire team is doing very well, and coach has been inserting new names in his line-up all along. These new swimmers, mostly freshmen and sophomores, are gaining the much needed experience they will use in the coming years.

The tankers have a Conference record of 2-0, with wins over Hammond High by 63-32 and the Froebel encounter which they won

In the order of victories and defeats the mermen lost to Goshen 49-46, and won the Wallace Relays by totaling 91 points to 50 for Portage, 48 for Wirt and Horace Mann's 28. They also defeated Hammond High 63-32, Michigan City 58-36 and trumped Elkhart Concord 64-31 in addition to out-scoring the game Froebel tankers 63-32

Some of the more important meets coming up will pit the Hornets against Bishop Noll to night at 4:00, and a Conference meet on January 6 against Horace Mann at their pool.

As far as individual records are concerned, Fred Dalby has thus far been the only one to crack the barrier with a new record in the 100 yard butterfly.

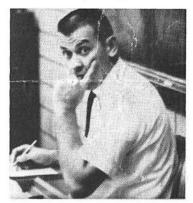
Wallace also set 2 new marks in relays here at the Wallace Relays, and Whiting was able to match that performance by setting two themselves.

In the last major meet recorded, Bob Burns, Dave Ponzo, Jim McNiece, and George Foley combined in the 180 yard medly relay to beat the old record of 1:31:1 by 2 and 4 tenths seconds to help the Hornets defeat the Blue Devils.

Staff Commends Coach Rykovich

As a former outstanding athlete at Lew Wallace and a present outstanding young coach at Lew Wallace, the Philosopher pays tribute to Coach George Rykovich.

Coach Rykovich grew up in Gary and graduated from Wallace. While in high school he majored in football, as fullback and halfback, track, and base-



Boys Club - Planning Ahead

This year's boy's club under the direction of Mr. E. Molchan and student president Dave Simola has plans for another outstanding range of activities.

The Boy's Club has already sponsored a dance by which funds for the club to operate were raised. Also in the past is the annual trip to Chicago to see the Blackhawks play hockey.

Plans are now being made for the bowling tournament in which the players may have a handicap. Numerous teams are expected to enter.

The annual pool tournament is expected to be one of the

best in recent years. The defending ch a m p, Larry De-France, has a good chance to repeat as tournament champion. Just a few of many who will be trying to dethrone Larry are: Gary Damian, Ken Siekman, Tom Felinski, last year's second place winner, V in c e Gabrial, Ken Ortosky and Boy's Club's president, Dave Simola. These activities are expected to start after Christmas.

The last item of the calendar is a White Sox ball game to round out a perfect year in Lew Wallace. Anyone who wishes to join should contact one of the officers or Mr. Molchan.

ball, playing third base, and centerfield.

Upon graduation Coach Rykovich attended Ventura College in California, and Eastern Illinois University majoring in physical education. When asked why he chose this field, he replied, "I have always been interested in athletics and playing football. I receive a lot of enjoyment working with boys."

Coach started wrestling at Wallace when he became coach five years ago. He admitted that he had always wanted to wrestle but he never had an opportunity.

Coach Rykovich stated, "I wanted to return to Wallace and it is an opportunity to work with a really fine football coach, Coach Herbert."

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