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SPRING FEVER

"In spring a young man's fancy
 lightly turns to thoughts of love"—
 so the much quoted poem goes. And
 judging by the number of feminine
 heads turned toward the windows of
 the class room, while their thoughts
 are miles away, the "young men" are
 not the only afflicted members of the
 population.

How can any one study, with the
 birds sitting outside a history class
 room and singing in their inviting
 method to you to come out and play.
 "And that's not all" (as Raymond
 Robins, the famous socialist, is given
 to say.) The air is beginning to
 have those delicious odors that James
 Whitcomb Riley speaks of in one of
 his numerous poems.

Think of being confronted with a
 test in physics while you are longing
 to go out on the golf links, and to
 play the "nine holes," within par.

It is no wonder that people "ditch"
 in the spring time, so the faculty had
 best be lenient in measuring out their
 much talked about discipline. They
 were in our predicament once, too.
 So, spring is here and it's a great life
 if we hang on till summer, and then
 we can "jump in the lake."

A DREAM THAT MAY COME TRUE

Suppose that the 25,000,000 boys
 and girls in our schools today were
 learning under some form of self
 government—learning to govern
 themselves, to adjust themselves
 to their social environment, to
 acquire some technic in the art
 of human relations, to recognize
 the social, economic and political
 problems of their own times, to be
 interested in these problems, and be
 inspired to have some part in solving
 them. Then, indeed, our democracy
 would never again become stagnant,
 our political institutions would never
 again be controlled by demagogues
 and bosses, and we should never again
 be under the leadership of men selected
 by accident or political expedient,
 for we should have available in every
 community people who had the capaci-
 ty and training for leadership. Thus
 the dangers that beset democracy
 would be averted or minimized and
 its ideals approach realization.—From
 "Tomorrow's Americans," by A. O.
 Bowden and Ida Clyde Clarke.

(This editorial is reprinted through
 the courtesy of Mr. Frisbie.)

Hay: "And when this taxi almost
 ran over me, I got mad and dared the
 next one to hit me. But do you think
 it would? No sir, I remained un-
 harmed."

Moe: "Impossible!"

Hay: "But true—you see, it was a
 Yellow cab!"

Said one corpse in the crowded morgue
 to another—"Move over, y' big stiff."

New Trier Makes
Great Showing at
Oak Park Relays

At the Oak Park Relays on April
 4, New Trier's track team upheld the
 position of prominence which it has
 maintained throughout the current
 season. Team points were not com-
 puted, and so it was not designated
 which school actually had the great-
 est number of points; however, ac-
 cording to the number of places won
 by each school, the team which would
 have won was Senn High of Chicago.

Oak Park would have placed a very
 close second and New Trier a very
 close third. A meager four points
 would have been the only difference
 between the three schools. If the
 breaks had been in New Trier's favor
 she would have been the ranking
 school.

Unexpected Happenings

In the first place, if the eight lap
 relay team which won at the Central
 A. A. U. meet had repeated its per-
 formance instead of finishing second
 by an eye-lash to Oak Park a number
 of points would have changed hands;
 in the second place, if hard luck had
 not befallen Hank Bender in the 50
 yard low hurdles, he might have won
 for New Trier.

So much for the "if's"; now let's
 see what the team did. George Quin-
 lan upset all dope by defeating the
 cream of high school sprinters in the
 special fifty yard event. Herman and
 Burling of Oak Park, Portman of Ur-
 bana, Kennicott of Maine, and other
 highly touted city boys—including
 Moore of Austin—bowed to their su-
 perior in this event. Quinlan, although
 an outstanding 440 yard man, was hard-
 ly conceded a chance to place in the
 short 50 yard sprint, but he certainly
 "upped and showed 'em." Almost equal-
 ling Quinlan's performance was Coke
 Finlayson's tie for first place in the high
 jump with Dennis of Phillips. This vic-
 tory was also somewhat of an upset ac-
 cording to statistics; for Lloyd of Oak
 Park, champion of the suburban league,
 was also entered.

Bender Hits Hurdle

Although Bender hit the first hurdle
 and failed to place in an event which he
 was conceded to win, his team mate,
 Louis Bell, placed fourth in a classy
 field of city champs. In addition to these
 individual performances, New Trier's
 eight-lap relay team made up of Bill
 Sundlof, John Kirby, Walter Wanger
 and George Quinlan placed second as
 did the sprint medley team—Quinlan,
 Kirby, Bender, and Don Pavlicek. The
 two-mile relay team, running Jim Joyce,
 Earl Weinstock, George Boyleston, and
 John Gordon, won fourth place in an
 exceedingly fast race.

LaGrange's great relay teams won two
 races—the two-mile and distance med-
 ley relays—in time which will be hard
 to equal. Oak Park also won a couple—
 the eight lap and four lap relays.

A total of thirty-one schools from all
 over the state competed, and the results
 indicate that team strength upstate in
 this district surpasses that downstate.
 Stephen of Joliet again broke the field-
 house record in the shot put, which he
 set earlier in the season, with a superb
 heave of 52 feet, 7 inches.

Order in which first four teams would
 have placed, had a score been kept:

Senn	22
Oak Park	19.5
New Trier	17
La Grange	14

EVENTS

50-Yard High Hurdles
 Pollard (Senn), 1st; Schomaker
 (Thornton), 2nd; Nordin (LaGrange),
 3rd; Duncan (Oak Park), 4th. Time—
 :06.8.

12-Pound Shot Put
 Stephen (Joliet), 1st; Ovson (Oak
 Park), 2nd; Seaberg (Senn), 3rd; Bur-
 nett (Libertyville), 4th. Distance—
 52' 7".

Pole Vault
 Romeis (Elgin), 1st; Pollard (Senn),
 2nd; Sugg (Oak Park), 3rd; Beltzner
 (Joliet), 4th. Height—11' 6".

50-Yard Dash
 Quinlan (New Trier), 1st; Burling
 (Oak Park), 2nd; Portman (Urbana),
 3rd; Herman (Oak Park), 4th. Time—
 :05.6.

High Jump
 Dennis (Phillips) and Finlayson (New
 Trier), tied for first; Bray (Phillips),
 3rd; Price (Thornton), 4th. Height—
 5' 9".

Broad Jump
 Dennis (Phillips), 1st; Ring (Thorn-

ton), 2nd; Lebant (Lake View), 3rd;
 Hosping, 4th. Distance—20' 2 3/4".

50-Yard Low Hurdles
 Viancini (Senn), 1st; Seaberg (Senn),
 2nd; Nordin (LaGrange), 3rd; Bell
 (New Trier), 4th. Time—:06.3.

Two-Mile Relay
 (Each man runs 880 yards)
 LaGrange, 1st; Deerfield, 2nd; Gales-
 burg, 3rd; New Trier, 4th. Time—
 8:26.7.

Eight-Lap Relay
 (Each man runs 2 laps, or 391 yards)
 Oak Park, 1st; New Trier, 2nd; Mor-
 ton, 3rd; Deerfield, 4th. Time—3:09.5.

Sprint Medley Relay
 Maine, 1st; New Trier, 2nd; Proviso,
 3rd; Elgin, 4th. Time—3:50.

Distance Medley Relay
 LaGrange, 1st; Tilden, 2nd; Senn,
 3rd; Oak Park, 4th. Time—10:35.3.

Four-Lap Relay
 Oak Park, 1st; Maine, 2nd; Senn, 3rd.
 Time—1:23.4.

Short Shots

Buck: "I saved that girl from being
 run over by an automobile."

Shot: "How marvelous!"

Buck: "Yeah, I stopped my car."

Famous Last Words

Samson—"I guess this'll bring down
 the house."

Doleful Ditty

This month has passed

I should be glad.

This month has passed

But I am sad.

This month has passed

Ah, sad my lot.

This month has passed

But I have not.

"Madame, don't you like these shoes?"
 "No, give me a smaller pair. These
 fit."

We know, by hearsay, of a ball player
 who was so cross-eyed that when the
 pitcher tossed to first base three times,
 he struck out.

Tsk, Tsk

Sweet: "The prof. looked at me as
 though I had been cheating."

Pete: "And what did you do?"

Sweet: "I looked back as though I
 hadn't."

Encyclopedia Treverian

Detour—The wrong way to the right
 place.

How to Appear Traveled

"Just got back from Egypt."

"Indeed! Go up the Nile?"

"Sure! Swell view from the top!"

Shhhhhhh!

"Say, you! That sign says 'No Smok-
 ing Allowed.' Can't you read?"

"Oh, yes, officer, but I ain't makin'
 any noise."

DOTTIE DIMPLE

Dear Dottie:

I am a senior who has "sworn off"
 the women for various reasons, but
 this one is different. Gosh, she's a
 knock-out, but I can't get her to give
 me a tumble. How can I get her for
 the Senior hop?—"Smitten."

Dear "Smitten":

My first answer would that you
 give her just enough attention to let
 her know that you are living, but
 DON'T appear interested. She will
 soon start throwing out her nets for
 a catch. When you see her interest
 arising, let me know and I will send
 you my book on "How to Catch
 Them Unawares (for men only)." This,
 I am sure, Smitten, will prove
 to be a great help. Incidentally, the
 Senior hop will take care of itself.—
 Dottie.

P. S.—Be sure and let me know—
 at least the outcome.

BOOK REVIEW

The Bonney Family—Ruth Suckow.
 As the name implies, "The Bonney
 Family" deals with the lives and for-
 tunes of a middle-class family living
 in the middle west. The mother
 strongly influences her husband and
 four children, and through her sym-
 pathetic guidance, they adjust them-
 selves to life. This book is interest-
 ing chiefly because of Miss Suckow's
 portrayal of the growth of the char-
 acters.

Pirates Scheduled
to Capture Crowd
on April 10 and 11

At last the time has arrived for
 the presentation of the much expected
 and discussed Gilbert and Sullivan
 opera, "Pirates of Penzance." To-
 night and tomorrow are the dates for
 the great event, and a full house is
 expected on both occasions. Although
 a record number of tickets have al-
 ready been sold, some can be ob-
 tained at the door by early comers.

The chorus will remain the same,
 but there will be separate casts for
 each performance. The following
 principals will act this evening:

Mabel Jean Lindstrom
 Fredrich Tom Elvin
 Ruth Molly Mickey
 Major General George Bersh
 Samuel Hugh Middleton
 Edith Ernestine Behrens
 Kate Marian Tubbs
 Isabel Eleanor Culver
 Pirate King Lowell Comee
 Sergeant of Police Lindsey Fields

For Saturday:
 Mabel Virginia Sprague
 Fredrich Tom Elvin
 Ruth Phyllis Dubsky
 Major General John Chapman
 Samuel Bob Kirtland
 Edith Jane Orr
 Kate Ellen Cozzens
 Isabel Jean Hall
 Pirate King Lowell Comee
 Sergeant of Police Lindsey Fields

For the past two months the whole
 cast under the able direction of Mrs.
 Marian Cotton and her assistants have
 been working hard to make this opera
 a success, and they all deserve the ap-
 preciation of the entire student body

INQUIRING REPORTER

Question: What is your opinion about
 New Trier students having semester ex-
 aminations?

Dave Davis '31—In college, semester
 examinations seem to cause New Trier
 graduates an unusual degree of trouble.
 If we had examinations here, we would
 be better prepared for college. In addi-
 tion we would need a comprehensive re-
 view of the subject and thus we would
 learn much more from the course. For
 those who are genuinely interested in
 study, semester examinations are an
 undoubted help.

Sue Turney '31—I think every junior
 and senior should be required to take
 a semester examination in each subject
 as a preparation for college. But I don't
 think that the exam should be counted
 as more than one-eighth of the semester
 grade.

Charles Venrich '32—I have always
 been opposed to semester examinations
 for high school students. As tests of
 this nature are always lengthy and very
 influential with respect to semester
 grades, they put a fear, that is detri-
 mental to the student's clear and ac-
 curate thinking, into his heart. No ex-
 amination written by a student under
 these circumstances can offer a fair in-
 dication of his understanding of the
 subject.

Ruth Hoagland '33—I do not approve
 of semester exams because they would
 discourage a student's constant endeavor
 in his subjects and make him tend to
 postpone his studying until the last few
 days of the semester. Also they might
 increase the desire to cheat because the
 grade is so greatly dependent upon the
 final exam.

Dotty Dimple Is Busy
Answering Her Letters

Now that spring is here we expect
 Dottie Dimple to receive many more
 letters than usual; Dottie tells us
 that she is being kept busy answering
 the ones that keep pouring in to her.
 She also expressed her desire to meet
 in a private conference anyone who
 is too shy to communicate through the
 paper. Miss Dimple also wishes to
 announce the publishing of her latest
 book "What Every Girl Should Know
 Before Dating"; this book, we are
 told by the book critic, is the last
 word in information for the socially
 inclined young man or woman. Be
 sure and watch for further announce-
 ment of this book.