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Scampy Hickox - Citizen of Year - Travels to Washington, D. C.

It isn't often that a student picks up the paper and sees that a girl going to his school, a girl HE knows, has been nationally honored! Featured on the Teen Page of the July 10 issue of the *Oakland Tribune* was just such a Miramonte girl. She is 'Scampy' Kay Hickox. Scampy was chosen the Most Outstanding Citizen, after a five day exercise in city, county, and state government by the California Girl's State. According to them, "An outstanding citizen is one who will get in and participate. One who can take part as a leader but who is willing and capable of following".

As Girls' State Citizen, Scampy accompanied Girls' State Gov.

Publicity Commissioner Hopes for Good Year

Miramonte's first Publicity Committee has been selected. Nearly one hundred applications were turned in from which only thirty-five members were chosen. The new members are: David Aughenbaugh, Sally Dennison, Barbara Donoghue, Wendy Erickson, Greg Fludderman, Leslie Harlander, Jor Harnett, Mindy Hennigh, Kyle Hodges, Margaret Irvine, Mark Joiner, Peggy Kerigan, Franci Leftwich, Debbi Linnekin, Dave Nelson, Laurie Nelson, Nancy Nott, Cara Olsen, Bob Parent, Brent Partridge, Sue Pellitier, Joan Rassmusson, Joanne Recknatel, Tom Reed, John Seebury, David Smith, Mary Roebuck, Gail Rulis, Gai Thompson, Kelly Thompson, Mitch Tyler, Cindy VanKleeck, Debi Wiengand, and Doug Wilson.

The members were chosen according to the ideas they have and the clubs and organizations in which they are involved. Each club has at least one member in the committee to represent it. This way the clubs will be able to publicize their events directly.

"I have, as publicity commissioner, big plans for this year. In addition to producing lots of colorful, exciting banners, silk screening posters for all major events, changing the showcase displays every week and writing creative articles for the local newspapers, I want to make the Committee a fun one. Since this is the first years Publicity Committee has been in existence, we have no established rules that we have to stick to. This year we can organize the committee as we want to," says Marcia Wilson, Publicity Commissioner.

MIRADOR BEGINS YEAR LED BY JON BAYLIS

"With the largest group of journalists I have ever had at Miramonte, prospects for a more varied and interesting paper appear likely," says Mrs. Bernice Russo, advisor to the *Mirador* staff. Mrs. Rosso, and the editor Jon Baylis combine their efforts to direct the journalism class daily in J-2.

Working with Jon are Denise Allen, front page; Steve Poch now, editorial page; Melanie Stefan and Wendy Santucci, feature page; Randy Weyeneth, sports editor; Igor Alexander, photographer; Bonnie Roosma, Copy editor; and a group of reporters from Journalism I.

The staff is trying to make this year's fourteen issues of the *Mirador* interesting to a majority of the students. A new type of printing, photo off set, is being used. This technique will allow for the use of more and clearer pictures in the paper. This method, plus a larger journalism class, are two factors adding to the hope of improving the 1968-69 edition of the *Mirador*.



SCAMPY HICKOX

Janie Wong, to the national conclave in Washington D.C. on July 28, for a week's exercise in national government with 98 other Girl's Staters representing every state in the Union.

The first day of action in Washington D.C. was Sunday July 28. Each girl took the oath of office, making her an official senator. Scampy, a member of the Federalists Majority Party was nominated and elected Secretary of Senate. Said Scampy, "It was quite a challenging job in itself; recording each session's business and participating at Senate sessions taught us the time-consuming, but worthwhile effort that goes into making a great democracy work". The sixth session ended in heated debate concerning a gun registration bill, giving us all a taste of what high pressure politics is really like. National Elections were highlighted with the privilege of meeting David Eisenhower, Julie Nixon, Mike McCarthy, and many others representing their presidential candidates.

Tuesday evening was the highlight of the trip for Scampy. She felt that it was an "Awe-inspiring feeling to stand on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial singing our Nations songs and anthems. It made me realize the great privilege of living in a free country." In Scampy's opinion, the entire trip was the "Outstanding experience of a lifetime."

"Justin Was Good" Wins Third Prize For Lisa Kolbeck

"It was so exciting. This is the first time I've ever won anything. I didn't expect it." Such was the reaction of Lisa Kolbeck after she discovered she placed third in the Seventeen short story contest.

Lisa's story "Justin Was Good" won the \$200 prize in the nationwide competition. The story will be published in the January issue.

Applicants interested in entering the contest had to be in the 13-20 year age bracket. Submitted short stories had to be approximately 2000 words in length and suitable for publication in *Seventeen*. Entries were to be submitted by July 1st. Lisa mailed her story in that afternoon.

Mrs. Ann Towner, Lisa's creative writing teacher last year says, "Lisa's probably one of the most creative students in the school. It doesn't surprise me at all that she won."

When asked why she entered the contest Lisa replied she felt she had nothing to lose.

Clubs Take Brushes in Hand

Did you notice anything different as you entered Miramonte this morning? La Cuadrilla and the Art Club combined efforts in repairing the Miramonte High School sign on the lawn between the faculty parking lot and the school entrance. This project was scheduled to be completed today.

Under the direction of Mr. Mike Gribich, advisor to the Art Club, the two clubs worked together on this project. These club members include: Patty Pedersen, Bill Abbott, Kerby Anderson, and Marcia Wilson.

Plans for repairing or replacing the sign have been discussed for the past three years. However, a decision was never reached. The funds for this project came from the miscellaneous department of the student body treasury.

World Affairs Club Greets New Members

"One of our main projects for the year will be our "Operation Breakthrough," says World Affairs Club president Beth Harris. Beth describes this program as consisting of activities and discussion groups with black youth. The purpose of this project is to bring a new understanding to both races and to enable the members of the club to concentrate on one of the most urgent problems of our society.

Guest speakers, who reflect the interest of the members, will be presented at times throughout the year. At the present time, World Affairs Club is planning a comparative study by different groups on the upcoming elections.

In February the club is planning to be involved in (as well as being a sponsor of) the



SHOWN ABOVE are the new Frosh officers: in front are President Todd Grubin, Vice-President Steve Angel; in back are Secretary Margaret Senz and Treasurer Beth Bentley.

Class of '72 Chooses Officers

"The Freshman float will be the best," say the new Freshman class officers.

President Todd Grubin is now discussing plans for the Freshman money-making activities. Running game concessions and having candy sales at noon are two possibilities. Todd has had past experience at Pine Grove as eighth grade president. He feels he can help out the Freshman class.

Todd's partner, Vice President Steve Angel says, "I want the Freshman class to have snap and I feel I can give it snap." He's determined to have a fast moving year and get as many things completed as possible.

Secretary Margaret Senz says, "I ran to meet as many people as I can and to get the experience." She is a member of Timer's Association and Art Club. She is also planning on joining the girl's swimteam.

Little Beth Bentley, class treasurer, feels she can do a good job with her past experience as eighth grade treasurer at Pine Grove and Girl Scout treasurer.

Together, Beth and Margaret are planning to add their own feminine touch to the float and they are determined to win the \$25 prize.

Steve and Todd are both out for the Freshman football team and would like to see Freshman victories in all athletic fields.

GIRLS LEAGUE WELCOMES NEW FACES

As of last Thursday, all freshmen and other new girls have been officially welcomed to Miramonte. Over the years ideas for evening pot-lucks or before-school breakfasts have been abandoned in favor of an annual lunch. Miramonte's twelve year tradition of a Big and Little Sister Day was originated by the Welcome Committee to great all new girls and help them feel more at ease.

Originally it was a project of the Girls' Athletic Association, but it is now handled by the Girls League.

Traditionally the big sister (sophomore, junior, or senior), makes the little sister lunch. (How good an idea this is depends on the big sis's cooking ability). After lunch on the lawn, all girls head for the auditorium for free popsicles and entertainment.

After introducing this year's officers, President Diane Davenport, Vice-President Lynn Clarke, and Secretary Kyle Hodges, the show began.

This year's entertainment, three skits, was original and staged well. The last, a revised version of "The 12 days of Christmas", was outstanding. All the actresses were hysterically funny, but Sue Boyle and Allison Ludlam stole the show. The audience laughed to the point of tears.

Let your voice be heard!
Submit your suggestion
and letters to the Editor
to the envelope in R-4

HAVE YOU TRIED IT ?

by igor alexander

What is the scourge of tyrants? The fearsome hound that forever bays on the trail of wrongdoers? The brilliant sun that shines into the dank recesses where the putrid maggots of corruption and vice crawl unchecked? What is the champion of the common man and the pride of a free people?

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Bodies more agust than our school administration and the Board of Trustees have been thrown into an uproar and forced to change by such organs as this one. This paper, your paper, is potentially a more powerful instrument of change than the pleasantly ineffectual play-government of Student Council. Those elected to positions in the student government invariably become the spokes-man of the powers-that-be, not representatives of the students. An individual can't change this even if he wanted to with our present system.

Are you going to stand up and opt for a change? If you find things that you don't like in this school and allow them to continue, you're allowing yourself to fall into the twilight zone of moral cowardice. Passive acquiescence is not the mark of a free people and a great nation. It is the contemptible mark of a nation of prostitutes! You can make this year at Miramonte the most exciting and fruitful of your entire public school career. You personally must take the first step. Write a letter to the *Mirador*! Start a discussion group! Start a petition! Act! You've got nothing to lose and an improved education to gain.

Underclassmen! You have three to four more years to go here. Will they be good years? Years marked by fruitful labor and the opening of new vistas? Years of reason and genuine education, not note-filling of credit obligations? Seniors, what is a better senior class present than to leave the school a better place to learn? A present like that would be worth more than any marble birdbaths or mmorbid plaques.

teacher special

Educator discusses former teaching

Teaching illiterate adults, instructing students at the University of Iowa, editing manuscripts, and teaching high school students are a few of the activities Mrs. Joan Chachere discusses with enthusiasm.

This talented teacher has been teaching English courses at Miramonte for ten years. She was also the department head until she got married three years ago. This year she is teaching the Great Books class along with a variety of other English classes.

A graduate of the University of Oregon, she did further studies at the University of Iowa in English and American Civilization.

After first teaching high school in Winnetka, Illinois she moved west. Perhaps her most interesting and challenging work involved a night class at

McClymonds high school in Oakland. Adults who did not even know the alphabet came.

Mrs. Chachere found that those who can read are often so wrapped up in a world of words that they fail to appreciate many of the visual aspects in life. The immense gratitude her students displayed helped make this experience in her life totally rewarding.

Mrs. Chachere says she teaches because, "I find it exciting and enlightening to be with young people. I think there is more hope for people with growing brains than for older people with set ideas."



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from the editor: by jonathan baylis

For those of you who dig the Avalon and such, there may be some bad news this fall. Family Dog Productions, currently running into some trouble with bill pile-ups and the police may fold. The company's last hope to pull through with the combined proceeds from Big Brother, the Charletons and other heavies. Lots of the finest in music is scheduled for the next several weeks anyway so dig it.

Also heavy this fall is Bill Graham with Jimi Hendrix at Winterland, Buck Owens at the Carousel, and something new and rather a good deal. Yes, new is the Super Session. At the Carousel on Tuesday nights the new group for the weekend will jam for one dollar at the door... definitely a good deal.

Two weeks ago today was Friday the thirteenth and bad luck it was for Jimi Hendrix. Good ol' KYA radio sponsored a Hendrix concert at the Oakland Coliseum and did all their own publicity. Hendrix flew up from L.A. to the concert expecting to see his old San Francisco Bay crowd packing out the coliseum. When Jimi arrived instead of finding the place packed, he was greeted only by a small crowd of screaming K.Y.A. listeners. Hendrix was so dissapointed that he put on what was rated by critics as the worst appearance he had ever made. Smooth move, K.Y.A.!

If you want to dig something worthwhile on the radio, forget the A.M. and pick up on the real sounds on F.M. renaissance radio, KSAN stereo 95 is a source of the very best in music uninterrupted by the curses of tasteless advertising and jabbering disc jockies. Also putting out good stereo sounds twenty-four hours a day is KMPX 107. Not only do these stations play the very best in music, but they also offer interviews with the various musicians playing at the Avalon, Carousel, etc.

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Mills moves student gout

"As the processes of student government have now gained full momentum, I hope that the Executive Council will be able to retain the long range goals as stated in last spring's campaign and the weeks following. Now I can see how a come bogged down in the day-to-day work and the necessary but often inconsequential decisions it must make."

In this quote Student Body President Greg Mills stated his ambition for the oncoming year. Greg wants to impress upon the students that their government wants to help them work out any question or problems they might encounter. He believes that the government must now gain the respect of the student body. The government made great campaign speeches promising students improvement, but so far nothing has been done. Greg wants to start acting on these and other projects.

Emphasis will be placed on wants it known that he and the other class officers will be eating lunch Wednesdays at R-4. He would appreciate any cerning students government to come in and talk it over. The student government is also in



Greg Mills

close contact with the faculty and the Parents Club. Anything having to do with these organizations can go through the student government.

Representative concil had a meeting yesterday and started on the problem of getting down to real student problems. Greg feels this years Rep. Council will get to the heart of problems and work them out.

Some of the problems and projects for the coming year are already under supervision. These projects include the back road being totally paved and a possible extension of the student parking facilities. Other problems concerning Greg are an evaluation of the new attendance and the athletic honor code.

Once again emphasis is on student rapport with government. Don't be afraid to air your opinions.

Merit semifinalists chosen



Semifinalists proudly pose for *Mirador* Photographer.

Mr. James A. Lewis, principal of Miramonte High School has announced that 17 Miramonte students have been named semifinalists in the 1968-69 National Merit Scholarship Program.

The students are Karen Bjordall, Jeff Brody, Cristis Coran, Sally Ferguson, John Guilliams, Tom Hopkins, Rebecca Houiette, Diane Jonte, Charity Kenyon, Krista Lininger, Greg Mills, Elizabeth "Zanny" Moulton, Shirley Richberger, Candy Siegel, Fred Sigworth, Todd Snook, James Van Meter.

The 15,000 Semifinalists are among the nations most intellectual-able high school seniors and will compete for some 3,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1969.

The Semifinalists were the highest scorers in their states on the National Merit scholarship Qualifying Test, given last February. They constitute less than 1 percent of the graduating seniors in the United States.

Every semifinalist who becomes a finalist will be considered for one of the 1,000 Scholarships, allocated by the State. Many will also be considered for the four-year Merit Scholarships provided by some 4000 corporation, foundations, colleges, unions, trusts, professional associations, other organizations and other individuals.

Winners of four-year Merit Scholarships may receive up to \$1500 a year for four college years, depending on their individual need. Winners of the National Merit Scholarships will receive one-time stipends of \$1000 upon enrollment in college.

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Theme of Serling's New Chiller: Revenge

BY MEGHAN POWELL

Rod Serling's newest chiller, *The Season to be Wary*, combines realism and the macabre in masterful style. The book is actually three novelettes — "The Escape Route", "Color Scheme" and "Eyes", and although they do not directly involve each other they each share the same main theme—revenge. Revenge that is sometimes vicious, sometimes fantastic, but always hideously ironic.

Mr. Serling's writing ranges from lilting metaphor to mouthed profanity, depending on his mood, but always strangely it doesn't seem choppy or contrived. It only seems to enhance the absorption you feel in a world where contradictions of all kinds can co-exist.

The first story, "Escape Route" concerns an ex-Nazi living in Argentina, fifteen

years after Nuremberg. One day he discovers that he is to be apprehended for "crimes against humanity". Argentina is no longer a haven, and he must escape or die. The slow disintegration of his mind under pressure is grim indeed but ever more so is the secondary theme of the story—the unspeakable horror of concentration camps, and the guiltless enjoyment the guards got out of torturing people to death.

The second, "Color Scheme," is about a sleepy Southern town in Mississippi that murders a little black baby because of a hate mongers magnetic appeal.

"Eyes", the third, is the story of Miss Claudia Menlo blind since birth, who maneuvers all around her to find someone, anyone, willing to give up his sight so that she can see for twelve hours.

KIM THROWS FITS IN PHYSIOLOGY? CLAIRE BATTLES BLACK GHETTO

This week's male Senior Portrait, Kim Hailton, has been reported to have had a tantrum in physiology. Says Kim, "All I did was break a beaker and everybody says that I throw fits!"

Commenting on the new tardy-system, Kim states, "I'm glad the school sees that the old tardy system really needed help." When asked which candidate he advocates for the presidency, he answered "Pat Paulson is the only man qualified to fill the complex position of the president." Among his dislikes is an underprivileged senior class. "All we've got is the Senior Lawn. Big deal!" Next in line is work. "I'm against work unless the

"The thing I miss the most about summer is not being able to go off to sit in the trees, or sleep in the dirt, or stick my feet in the icy water of a glacier," admitted Claire Copenhagen, female Senior Portrait. These are only a few things Claire did this summer while studying the Bob Marshall Wilderness with the National Conservation Study held in Montana.

Claire worked at Camp Beaverbrook this summer and on the Christian Hacienda the summer before last. She also does Inter-City work in Oakland in the black ghetto.

Vice-president of the Drama Club this year, Claire revealed that "It's a good personal edu-



Pictured above are John Sablon from Mariana's Islands, Barbro Lauri from Sweden and Bruce Stewart who has just returned from a summer in Finland.

John, Barbro and Bruce Compare Notes About A.F.S.

After flying across the United States, living on board a ship, and traveling by trains, buses, and ferries, Bruce Stewart arrived in Helsinki, Finland. This is approximately 16 miles from the home where Bruce stayed while he represented Miramonte as an exchange student.

Bruce was chosen for the Americans Abroad Summer Exchange Program. This program takes place from June through September. Through this and another program, AFS hopes to develop understanding and respect between individuals and mutual awareness of different cultures and ways of life.

The host families participating in the program vary greatly. The personalities, values, and interests of these families and the exchange students' are matched as closely as possible. Bruce lived with a family that he felt had interests to his own. During the summer, they went hiking, fishing, and swimming.

Bruce stated that the Finns have many customs different from those of the North Americans. One of these customs is that when a young girl meets an older person, she curtsies. The boys of Finland bow.

Bruce described his exchange as being "the most fantastic experience".

To A.F.S. foreign exchange student John Sablan the most dismaying thing about the

United States is its hugeness! John's home is on the island of Saipan in the Marianas, which has a small population of about 8,000 people.

At home John attends Hopwood High School, and he has noted some unusual differences between Hopwood and Miramonte. In Saipan there are no P.E. classes; consequently there are no school sports, John is finding Miramonte quite liberal compared to Hopwood, which has a total student body of 800.

John, a senior, is staying with Rob Thiele's family. He is quite talented, and enjoys singing, dancing, bowling, and popular music. He's been studying English since third grade, but finds that he still has some difficulty in classes, especially in Government because he lacks background in American politics. Another of John's interests in medicine, and he plans to become a doctor.

The official language of the Mariana islands is Chamorro, which contains many Spanish words, including the names of numbers. John reports that one of the most exciting things about life in the Marianas is the frequent typhoons, which can strike at any time. The islands are right in the middle of a typhoon belt. When ever one hits, the people are evacuated to concrete buildings but the houses, which are made of wood, are sometimes destroyed.

John admits that he is a little homesick, particularly because Americans are not so quick in making friends with strangers as they are at home. "People here are friendly, but only to the people they know. In Saipan everybody knows everyone else because it is so small. But the students here are very helpful and friendly once you get to know them."

Yes! Sweden does have brunettes, and Miramonte is lucky enough to have one! Barbro Laurie, from Gothenberg, Sweden, is one of our two A.F.S. exchange students this year. She is staying with Suzette Hall's family, and attending Miramonte as a senior along with Suzette.

American life is definitely agreeing with Barbro. She has adapted so well to it that few people realize that she has only been here a little over a month. She speaks English very well. Having studied English for seven years, Barbro almost sounds like a native.

Barbra finds our school similar to hers in homework and dress style—but there the resemblance ends. She took thirteen subjects at home (no, not all in one day) including math, physics, chemistry, P.E., art, Swedish, English, psychology and other similar subjects. Their schedule is different each week—not yearly as ours. She also feels that our teachers are friendlier and not so formal as her teachers at home. After straightening out a little mix-up of names the first day our records had her down as Laurie Barbro—(chalk one up for the computers!) she has had a fairly smooth time at Miramonte.

Activities of any typical seventeen year old American girl are the same as Barbro's. She enjoys sewing, swimming, water-skiing (experience for the first time this summer) and, of course, boys. She loves animals and likes outdoor sports (more observation than participation).



This week's Senior Portraits are Claire Copenhagen and Kim Hamilton.

pay is high."

This year Kim plans to be active in Senior Council and Young Life, go skiing when he's not broke, avoid peanut butter, and get in Yearbook pictures where he doesn't belong. After graduation he plans to join the Coast Guard or attend a Cal campus. Among his endeavors, Kim states his one smashing failure: "My political career started quickly and ended just as quickly." He revealed his motto as being, "I'll do it tomorrow!" Kim also says he is strongly against planning and his major worry is making it home before he turns into a pumpkin.

When asked what his most frightening experience was, Kim replied, "I'm a man of courage so how could I possibly get frightened?"

ation to watch someone else act. Be sure to watch for Drama Club's activities." In addition, Claire is on Rally Committee and is in charge of faculty and administration of the yearbook Staff.

Claire worked on the Junior Prom last year and has worked on all floats since she was a freshman.

Taking modern dance lessons for the past thirteen years has filled up some of Claire's time. She is feeling lonely since her older brother, Chris, senior at MHS last year, left for the University.

Claire loves wearing hiking boots and jeans, sailing, going to San Francisco, and most of all, people.

MRS. HESS ARRIVES

A new and bright personality has entered the scene at Miramonte, Mrs. Betty Jane Hess. As head of the Drama department here, she finds her classes have good potential, but she is disappointed at the lack of boys in her classes. (Hint: will you guys please come out of hiding!)

Mrs. Hess is also teaching English and public speaking. She is sorry, however, that she can't devote her entire schedule to her first love, drama.

As a pastime, Mrs. Hess appears with the Riverside Community Players (her favorite part being that of "Auntie Mame"). Mrs. Hess is a very proud mother, and will soon be a grandmother as well! Her daughter not only has appeared in numerous plays, but she also was chosen for the Graduate Drama Project at New York University — an honor given to only 40 students in the country.

Mrs. Hess is a colorful addition to the faculty and we are certainly glad to have her.

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SPORTS

MIRAMONTE HARRIERS '68

Coach Don Phillips is fairly try team despite an opening loss to Campolindo. Although not as physically strong as past championship teams, the Mats do have the potential to give any team a tough battle. With only two people gone from last year's squad, Coach Phillip's harriers should have more experience and depth.

Returning lettermen are seniors Steve Campbell, Bob Billings, Don Heaps, Jim Van Meter, and Dave Wight, and juniors John Dawson and Wade Mart. Newcomers to the varsity are juniors Dan Wells and Dave Huston. These boys form the nucleus of the squad Coach Phillips believes will take second, or possibly first. Strongest competition will come from Campolindo the

league champ last year and very strong this year, and San Ramon.

Although the Mats did lose to Campolindo in the opening meet, better performances are expected as the season progresses.

Coach Larry Pilcher of Campolindo has had his boys running all summer so they were in somewhat better condition. However, the Mat harriers are expected to reach their peak by the League Meet, when possibly Pilcher's boys will be tiring.

The Frosh-Soph. team should Charlie Hansen, who placed first in the Campolindo meet. Other Frosh-Soph. runners are Keith Chambers, Brian Hartley, Jon Harness, Mark Lee, Brendon Reidy, Mike Stewart, and Steve Wight.



FIRST TOUCHDOWN — Senior Bob Truax races past defenders in route to Miramonte's first touchdown of the 1968 season. Bob returned this Canyon punt 75 yards which started the Mat's stomp of Canyon High (Hayward) by the score of 41-0.

FOOTBALL '68

"It's a tough league this year, and Miramonte has the team to be F.A.L. champs," predicts back Coach Roger Durant, "however, Las Lomas, Campolindo, San Ramon, and Alhambra also have that potential." The first home game tonight against Acalance should also be significant considering the havoc Miramonte wreaked upon the Dons last year. Head Coach Bran Yaich had no comment as yet.

This year's team consists of 17 returning lettermen, backed by 15 ex-J.V. players. A few last year standouts back again this year are Bob Truax, Larry Reid, Jim Horning, Paul Goetz, Deke Ballard, Ted Snook, and Steve Hale. These

Junior Varsity

Although this year's J.V. team consists mainly of sophomores, it should prove itself to be a tough contender. In their premiere game of the season against Concord the mighty Mats tromped their opponent 13-0, never allowing Concord to get inside Miramonte's 40 yard line. Head Coach Tom Strain and Coach Dan Bedrotti are expecting this year to be fruitful both in player development and in terms of win and loss. A few standouts on this year's team are quarter back Randy Hooper, Tim Trenkwalder, Bob Kenny, and Chris Reiser. Coach Strain's sentiments were, "We're young, but we're tough!"

WATER POLO - CHAMPIONSHIP RENEWAL

Miramonte's FAL Champions return for another victorious season on the Water Polo Circuit.

Already one game up for the season, the team expects to go through the season undefeated. Thursday, Sept. 12, our Water Polo team swamped the Diablo College team by a score of 17-3. Every varsity member made at least one goal. That game was just a sample of games to come.

Miramonte lost only two significant players for the season. Bob Markstein to higher education, and Dave Olson to Campolinda. Returning this season will be such outstanding players as Jon Svendsen, Peter Schnugg, Rick O'Hare, Randy Williams, Dan Dupuis, Dave Jack Miller. Four of these boys were all-league last year. The

rest will be this year. Joining the varsity squad this season is outstanding forward and a starter, Stan Johnson.

Our frosh-sophomore team shows great promise for the year. Players like John French, Branch Russell, and Doug Wilson seem to be the backbone of the future.

The varsity team plays a twelve game season with an FAL Invitational Tournament concluding the schedule. Varsity league games will be played every Wednesday afternoon at 3:45. The next home game will be Sept. 25 against Campolinda here. It should prove to be an exciting one. Later in the season the team will take on the Cal. Frosh at U.C.

Come out and watch a Water Polo game. There's action, stuff.

Girls' Athletics

Confidence is the word expressed by Coaches Jan Neff and Barbara Berris of the girls' tennis and swimming teams. Both teams took district and county championships last year and plan on repeating these performances.

The tennis team, which was involved in a three way tie with San Ramon and Piedmont for the county championship, began a new season by playing Del Valle. Key players on the team this year are seniors Scampy Hickox, Tina Moran, and Sarah French. Freshman Mary Wilcox also shows poten-



tial to spur the team on to victory this year. Coach Neff predicts undisputed possession of first place this year rather than a tie.

This same type of optimism is expressed by Coach Berris of the swimming team. When the swimmers hit the water in their many meets this year they anticipated victories. Most of the swimmers from last year's team are returning to swim again for Miramonte.

Sarah French, Sally Fuller, Cathy Sodestrom and Janet Ward are seniors on the field hockey team this year. Coach Shirley McPheeters has hopes that this team will improve their record over last year's season.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Miramonte survived its 41-0 romp over Canyon with just one injury. Steve Hale suffered a minor concussion when he apparently caught a knee in the head as he was blocking a Canyon player. Although Steve didn't actually remember very much about playing, he did manage to intercept a pass, and run it back for a touchdown. He made a quick recovery without missing any further action.

Athlete Hospitalized

Mike Melrose, a junior student who broke his leg in a freak accident during P.E., will be hospitalized for a few months and will be forced to miss a semester of school. Mike participated in wrestling last year, earning his J.V. block. Coach Roger Durant said he was expecting Mike to be back again this year. We all hope Mike makes a quick recovery and returns to the campus soon.

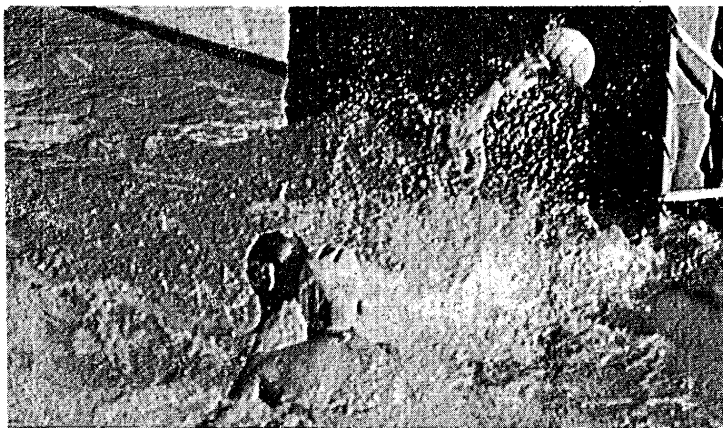
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FIRST GOAL — Junior Randy Williams scores the first goal against Acalanes to open the water polo season. The Mats won, of course, 14-5 and hope to continue their unbeaten record from last year.

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