

SPORTS NITE will again break the headlines soon, and from what we have seen, this year's fight for supremacy promises to be one of unusual vitality and originality. It's going to be a struggle to the finish though sugar-coated with dance and other artful gymnastics. Both sides are out to win- especially the Black team which got a solemn beating last year. But time will tell.

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## **Apparatus Club Will Perform In Exhibition On Sports Night**

Horses, bucks, parallel bars and ladders will be the principal pieces of apparatus in use in this year's forthcoming Girls' Sport Night. Mrs. Anne Griffiths has made tentative plans for this exhibition, which she hopes will be very different in its method of presentation from that of previous years. Girls in the apparatus club and also those girls who are specially interested in this type of work will participate. Eight squads, consisting of ten girls each, will perform on the apparatus, after which this equipment will form the basis for the pyramids, which will be constructed by the girls on the Red and Black teams, respectively.

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## **Teams Form Committees For Girls Sports Night**

Once again Girls' Sports Night, the gala event of the year, is in the process of preparation. The Black and Red teams have chosen for their captains, Beatrice Phillips and Bridget Ricatto, respectively. Assisting the two captains are the following heads of committees: Black team – tap, Rosemary Welezel; marching, Ruth Cradger; novelty, Nettie Fulton; costume, Peg Eardley; songs and cheers, Janet Starski; publicity and program, Rita Topley; apparatus, Edith Albushes; games and races, Laura Wolf; rhythmic, Josephine DiDonato; properties, Mary Bloor; decoration, Ann Fleming.

Red team – tap, Mae Rasmussen; marching, Jane Larrabee; novelty, Grace Fucello; costume, Dot Moses; songs and cheers, Betty Rhoads; publicity and program, Martha Rhoads; apparatus, Augusta Lichtfus; games and race, Rose Lorenzo; rhythmic, Jean Simmons; properties, Doris Cook; decoration, Marion Newman.

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## **Blacks Prepare For Sports Nite**

"I feel that being so friendly with rival captain, Bree Ricatto, is an advantage. I hope our friendly feeling towards each other will prevail throughout both teams, and therefore make this year's 'Sport Nite' the best showing of good sportsmanship and friendly rivalry ever put on in Trenton High by such a large group," said Beatrice Phillips, replying to *Spectator* REPORTER'S question, "How do you feel about working against your friend, Bridget Ricatto?"

The Black Team captain revealed the fact that the mascot would again be a little girl- although not the same one of the last two years.

The judges will be chosen by the two captains, and they will be from out of town, so that everyone will be satisfied.

Preparations for the Blacks have already begun- while the Reds are waiting until after mid-years. The last question the reporter asked was, "Is there as much fun in your jobs as work?" At this both captains laughed and said, here is a lot of work and responsibility, but also a lot of fun."

*Spectator*, January 26, 1938

## Say Can You See What Colors Rest On Feminine Shirt Or Manly Chest?

It's in again! From now to a certain, fatal day in April, the words "Red" and "Black," will be on the tip of every tongue. Sports Nite, that grand, glorious, feminine enterprise, occupies the limelight once more.

This year the competition will be friendlier than ever since the two team captains are the best of pals. However, rivalry is still keen. Red and Black ribbons have already been seen; songs and cheers are being whispered from teammate to teammate.

"Revenge!" cry the Blacks, but the Reds are out to keep their rivals from making a comeback. Soon ribbons will also be pinned upon manly chests by spirited girls.

Each season brings at least two sports for the male half of the school to indulge in before the public while the better half adorns the bleachers. Sports Nite is the one big chance that the girls get to display their talents publicly, and how they love it!

*Spectator*, March 4, 1938

### **Blacks Go Slumming**

**"East side, west side,  
All Around the town"**

And "all around the town" it will be for the Black team as they practice for their "Manhattan Mania" performance. From Park Avenue to the East side--from Greenwich Village to the city lights--will be the theme the Black team will support for Sport Nite!

The tap dancers go high-hat, and tap to "Slummin' on Park Avenue," while the novelty dancers become artists and models and post!

But what's "Broadway" without lights? The answer -- Rhythmics -- done with mirrors! A flash from the head -- the arms -- the eyes! Watch them twinkle on Sport Nite!

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## **Red And Black Teams Plan Coming Shows Period Captains And Chairmen Of Committees Assist Captains With Plans for Annual Show**

Preparations for Girls' Sport Nite are rapidly progressing.

Leaders of the Black team are as follows: captain, Beatrice Phillips; period captains, Jean Brown, Thelma Eggert, June Harrison, Edith Albushies and Beatrice Phillips; lieutenants, Gertrude Ertel, Alethea Skokos, Betty Uhaze, Bernice Milgaten, and Jacqueline Strasser; committee chairmen--tap, Rosemary Wilezal; marching, Ruth Creager; novelty, Nettie Fulton.

Costume,, Peggy Eardley; songs and cheers, Janet Starski; publicity, Rita Topley; apparatus, Edith Albushies; games, Laura Wolf; rhythmic, Josephine DiDonata; properties, Mary Bloor; decoration, Ann Fleming.

Bridget Ricatto is captain of the Red team and is aided by the following girls; period captains, Nancy Mumola, Pearl Daniels, Sally Adams and Marion Fugell; lieutenants, Audrey Burd, Dena Alvino, Joyce Schaller, and Ruth Miller.

Committee chairmen--tap, Mae Rasmussen; marching, Jane Larrabee; novelty, Grace Fuccello; costume, Dorothy Moses; songs and cheers, Betty Rhoads; publicity, Martha Rhoads; apparatus, Augusta Lichtfus; games, Rose Lorenzo; rhythmic, Jean Simmons; properties, Doris Cook, and decoration, Marion Newman.

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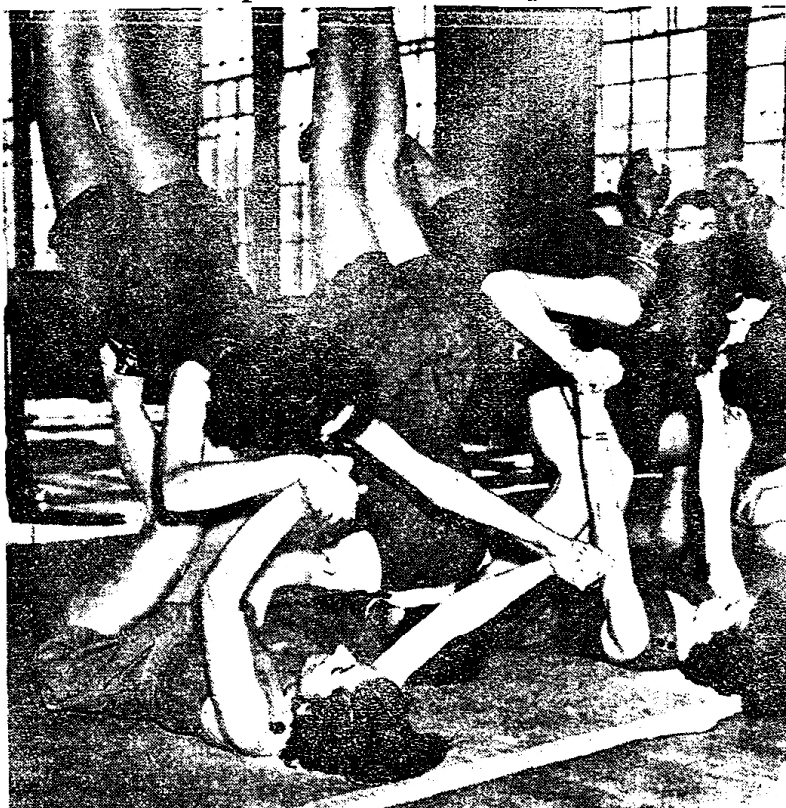
## **Red And Black Teams Choose Themes For Sports Night**

Themes have been chosen this year by the Red and Black teams for their Sports Nite events. The Red team has chosen as their theme, Western life, and the Blacks chose Manhattan Mania. Several cowboy dances have been selected for the Red team and also a barn dance. The Blacks feature a debutante tap dance and artists and model dance.

All plans are under way for the coming nights. Each team has held meetings and both are certain of victory.

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## To Participate In T. H. S. Sports Night



Staff Photo  
Upper photo (left to right) shows Lucy A. Ricci supporting Frances Ponzio and Irene Bonicky doing a headstand, and Helen Hutchinson supporting Evelyn Lichtfus. These girls are on the Red Team and will take part in a tumbling event in the Annual Girls' Sports night program to be held at Central High, April 6, 7 and 8. Mrs. Ann Griffiths is the instructor. Below is Virginia Lowe, leader of the Red team tap dancers.

# Competition Keen as T. H. S. Girls Plan for Sports Night

Events Will Be Staged Next Wednesday, Thursday  
And Friday—Committees Are Busy on Pro-  
gram for Various Performances

Final preparations have been made for the Girls' Annual Sport Nite, to be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week at Central High. Wednesday night will be sophomore night. Juniors and seniors will perform Thursday and Friday nights, respectively.

This year Jeanne Bloor has been chosen to be mistress of ceremonies, while Beatrice Phillips heads the Black Team and Bridget Ricatto is captain of the Red Team. Heads of committees have been chosen to take care of the various numbers.

They were elected by the girls as follows: Marching, Ruth Creager and Jane Larabee; tap, Mae Rasmussen and Rosemary Wilezol; rhythmic, Josephine Di Donato and Jean Simmins; novelty dancing, Nettie Fulton and Grace Fucello; apparatus, Edith Albushies and Augusta Lichtfus; games, hockey and race, Laura Wolf and Rose Lorenzo; decorations, Ann Fleming and Marion

Newman; songs and cheers, Janet Starski and Martha Rhoades; properties, Mary Bloor and Doris Cook; publicity, Rita Topley and Martha Rhoades; scorekeeper, Jackie Strasser.

Each team will be given points on posture, lines, spirit, appearance and executive form for each of the above events.

Scores for all three nights will be totaled for each team and added together at the end of Friday night's performance. At that time the winning team will be awarded the school banner.

Leroy Smith, Margaret Smock, Mrs. Anna Griffiths, Mrs. Isabella Quick and Eleanor Keating have general charge of the affair.

Virginia R. Manton, physical director of Morristown High School; Grace Freehafer, physical director of Germantown High School, and Corporal Vincent Brookes, head of the physical education department of the New Jersey State Police, will act as judges.

Trenton Times, April 1, 1938



## *Black Team Entries in T. H. S. 'Sports Nite'*



### ***T. H. S. Girls' Contest Gets Started Tonight***

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Staff Photo

The Red and Black teams of Trenton High School girls will compete in sports night events tomorrow, Thursday and Friday nights. Upper photo—an artists and models group—includes (left to right) Mariana Garrity, Regina Szbanz, Laura Wolf, Helen Irwin, Louise Meszaros and Phyllis Knight. In lower photo are Rose Mary Wilezol, Bettie Uhaze, Grace Fuccello, Beatrice Phillips, black team captain; Bridget Riccatlo, red captain, and Ann Schon.

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Trenton Times, April 6, 1938

### **Red Team Clings To Contest Lead**

Senior members of the Black Team in the fourth annual girls' sport night at Central High School have a 25-point lead by the Red Team to overcome in tonight's closing competition at the school gymnasium for the school banner.

Junior co-ed members of the Red Team last night maintained the lead in points amassed on the opening night by the sophomore members of the same team. Last night's score was 295½ against 284½, making a total for the two nights of 592 for the "Reds" and 567 for the "Blacks."

Trenton Times, April 8, 1938

## **Advantage Held by Red Team In Central High Girls' Contest**

Junior members of the Red and Black Teams of Central High School will compete for points and the school banner in the fourth annual girls' sport competition in the school gymnasium tonight.

An audience of 2,000 persons witnessed the Red Team of sophomore co-eds last night run up a victorious 295½ points over the Black Team's score of 282½. Senior girl members will bring the competitive exhibition to a close tomorrow night.

Judges last night were Miss Virginia Manton, physical director, of Morristown High School; Miss Grace I. Freehafer, director of physical education at Germantown High School, and Corporal Vincent Brookes, physical and health

education head, New Jersey State Police. Rival team captains were Bridget Ricatto, who headed the victors, and Beatrice Phillips. Jeanne Bloor was master of ceremonies.

Trenton Times, April 7, 1938

## **Five-Point Victory For Black Team**

### **Overcomes Red Group's Early Lead in Sports Contest**

Overcoming a 25-point lead amassed by junior and sophomore members of the Red Team the two previous nights, senior co-eds of the Black Team last night turned defeat into victory by a margin of five points in the final exhibitions marking the fourth annual girls' sport competition at Central High School.

Capturing first place in eight of the 11 events, the senior Black Team scored 328 as compared to 298 in last night's performances, bringing the final total count to 895 against 890 for the Red Team. Before last evening's events the Red Team led 592 to 567. Beatrice Phillips led the Black Team.

Jeanne Bloor, who was the master of ceremonies throughout the series, presented Miss Phillips with the team banner at the end of the games. Also, in appreciation of the leadership of their captains, the two teams presented their respective leaders with a gift. Bridget Ricatto, Red Team captain, was given a tennis racket, and Miss Phillips was presented with a reversible coat. The master of ceremonies received a sweater.

Judges for the finale were Miss Virginia Manton, of Morristown High School; Miss Grace I. Freehafer, of Germantown High School, and Corporal Vincent Brookes, of the New Jersey State Police.

Trenton Times, April 9, 1938

## Black Team Wins In Exciting Finish

Trenton High girls, last week, staged their biggest show of the year, the fourth annual Girls' Sport Nite. The Black team won their second victory since the inauguration of the event, and evened the score with their rival Reds.

The Red team, after winning sophomore and junior nights to amass a lead of 24 points, got off to a bad start the final night and lost their lead to a spirited Black team after the first five events. They never regained it.

At the close of the sophomore night the Red team had 295 ½ points to the Black's total of 284 ½. The Red team showed exceptional skill on the opening night in the athletic events, winning the variety race, the roller skating race and the hockey game. This proved to be the margin of victory that night, for besides the opening event the Blacks emerged victorious in everything else, including scenery, song and cheers.

### Reds Win 6 of 11 Events

The junior Reds won six of the eleven events the second night to increase their lead thirteen points, winning the tap, novelty dance, apparatus, songs and twenty of a possible thirty in the athletic events. The senior Blacks turned the tables the following night by taking twenty-five of the thirty points in the athletic events, aided by the disqualification of the Red team in the variety race. The Blacks showed marked superiority in the rhythmic, decorations, and cheers, winning them every night while the Red showed best in the athletics, tap and apparatus, taking these events in two of the three nights. The combined score for the three nights stood 895 for the black team and 890 for the Red team.

### Teams Reward Leaders

Before the announcement of the final scores each team presented its captain with a gift in appreciation of her leadership. Bridget Ricatto, captain of the Red team, received a tennis racket and Beatrice Phillips, Black team captain, was presented a reversible coat. Jeanne Bloor, mistress of ceremonies for the three nights, was given a sweater.

With towering skyscrapers on one side and rolling mountains on the other side as scenery for the Blacks and Reds, the two teams made their entrance. In correlation with their theme the Black cheerleaders wore top hats and white gloves, while the posing cheerleaders wore ten gallon hats and red boots. Their themes, "Manhattan Mania" and the "Wild West." were also carried out in the tap dances, Red rhythmic and the finale, at which time the Reds wore full cowboy regalia and the Blacks were attired as Broadway chorus girls.

The judges for the three nights were Miss Virginia Manton, director of athletics at the Morristown High School, Morristown, New Jersey; Corporal Vincent Brooks, Physical and Health Education, New Jersey State Police; and Miss Grace I. Freehafer, director of physical education at the Germantown High School, Germantown, Pennsylvania.

Committee chairmen are as follows: songs and cheers- Janet Starski, Black and Betty Rhoads, Red; costume - Peggy Eardley, Black and Dorothy Moses, Red; decorations- Ann Fleming, Black and Marion Newman, Red; tap- Rosemary Wilezol, Black, and Mae Rasmussen, Red; marching- Ruth Creager, Black, and Jane Larrabee, Red; novelty- Nettie Fulton, Black and Grace Fucello, Red; publicity- Rita Topley, Black and Marth Rhoads, Red; apparatus, Edith Albushies, Black and Augusta Lichtfus, Red.

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Since the Girls' Sport Nite was such a success, it seems possible that the lassies would draw crowds in any sport whatsoever. It would be something new in the way of local sports if the Trenton High maidens would challenge the Cathedral lassies to a soft ball game to be played as the first game of a double-header when the Red and *Black meets Immaculate*.

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