

Band Chooses Red, Black Heads

Members of the Trenton High band recently elected Dave Pettit and Marty Gandolfo to lead the Red Team and Back Team bands respectively for next year's Sport Nite extravaganza

Dave, an active trumpeter in the band and orchestra for two years, was Assistant Instrument Sergeant this year; next year he will be Band Manager. Outside of school, Dave direct his own combo and is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Band.

When asked how he felt after the election, Dave said, "I'm happy the boys chose me as their leader. I'll try to break the losing streak."

Marty Gandolfo has been a member of the orchestra and band since his sophomore year. This tenor sax and clarinet player was Assistant Band Librarian this year and will be the student director for 1953.

Musical activities on the outside also attract Marty, who has his own combo and plays in several local bands.

The purpose of the early election of leaders is to enable the bands to decide on their music and get better preparation for Sport Nite.

Spectator, May 29, 1952

Parents To Hear Of Sports Nite Spending Rules

Dr. Paul R. Spencer, principal of Trenton Central High School, has called a meeting for tonight of the parents of all those senior girls at the school who intend to run for election to leading roles in this year's Sport Nite presentation.

Such roles include the captaincy of either the Red or the Black team, positions in the so-called official family, and heads of committees.

Purpose of the meeting, which will be held at 7:45 this evening in the Community Room at the High School, is to explain rules and regulations governing Sport Nite to all concerned. Dr. Spencer is particularly concerned about the tendency of some girls to overspend personal funds in preparation for the physical education department show that is held in March.

Those who plan to attend the meeting tonight are asked to use the main entrance on Chambers Street. Election of Sport Nite leaders will be held this week by all junior and senior girls at the school.

Trenton Times,
October 6, 1952

Red, Black Teams Select Captains; Wright, Barbiero Share Honors

Excited girls crowded the halls of the "D" building during the sixth period on Tuesday, October 7, and learned that Mardalee Wright and Gloria Barbiero were elected captains of the Red and Black teams respectively.

While Mardalee "Tinky" Wright was talking with a few friends near the "gym" Mrs. Isabelle Quick walked up, patted her on the shoulder, and said "Congratulations." Tinky was so startled after she learned that she was the new Red Team captain that upon being asked what subject she had first period in the morning, she blankly said, "Gee, I don't know."

As Mrs. Quick continued her walk, she bumped into Gloria Barbiero, who was busily munching potato chips and not looking where she was going. "Congratulations," said Mrs. Quick for the second time, but Gloria could not answer. She was speechless.

Gloria is the second Black Team captain in the Barbiero family, for in 1949 her sister Jo held the honors. An active senior, Gloria has been a member of the Presidents' Council and Leader Corps for the past three years, and is now captain of her "gym" class.

Tinky, who hails from Lincoln Park, Michigan, has lived in Trenton only two years. Besides being a member of the Clionian Society and G. A. A., she is vice-president of the Pan American Club, a member of Presidents' Council, president of Leader Corps, and captain of her "gym" class.

All junior and senior girls were eligible to vote during their regular physical education period.

Members of the official family, which includes the Mistress of Ceremonies, Miss Trenton High, Miss America as well as the flag bearers and color guards for each team, will be selected on October 22. Red and Black team members will elect their respective committee heads in their regular "gym" classes on October 28.

Spectator, October 17, 1952

Rival Captains For THS Sports Night



Here are the winners in an election as important to Trenton Central High School girls as November 4 is to political leaders. These girls will lead the two teams that will partici-

pate in the "Sports Night" program during the week of March 16. They are Floria Barbiero (left) 17, of 67 Garfield Avenue, Black Team captain, and Tinky Wright, 17, of 194 Atlantic Avenue, Red Team captain. The

election was held in the girls' gymnasium classes. On Wednesday physical education teachers and a girls' committee will select "Miss Trenton High" and other members of the "official family" for Sports Night.

Trenton Times, October 20, 1952

Girls Choose Team Heads

THS Official Family, Heads of Committees Plan for March Event

Names of the members of the Official Family and Heads of Committees for the nineteenth Annual Sport Nite have been announced. Elaine Nochumson was selected as Mistress of Ceremonies, Toba Lefkowitz as Miss America, and Nancy Trott as Miss Trenton High.

Chosen at the same time were Joan Cartlidge, Red Flag Bearer; Jean Mather, Black Flag Bearer; Color Guards for Miss America, Patricia Wilkes, Red Team, and Nancy Clark, Black Team; Color Guards for Miss Trenton High, Joyce Bickel, Red Team, and Dorothy Drobnak, Black Team; Color Guards for Red Flag Bearer, Lorraine Carhart and Eileen Soprony; Color Guards for Black Flag Bearer, Regina Rubin and Susan Benck.

Classes Elect Chairmen

The Heads of Committees were elected by the junior and senior girls during their "gym" classes. For the Red Team Joan Knight, Marching; Nancy Brown, Theme Song; Frances Santilli, Songs and Cheers; Alice Gering, Music; Geraldine Newcombe, Tap; Joyce Bailey, Rhythmics; Mary Lou Grove, Modern Exercises; Joan Mines, Character Dance; Gail Smith, Games; Marjorie Fine, Decorations; Janet Knock, Costumes; Carol Gasco, Properties; Virginia Sampson, Publicity.

For the Black Team they are Lois Brewer, Marching, Lynn Denny, Theme Song; Phillis Mattei, Songs and Cheers; Rita Albert, Music; Joan White, Tap; Mary Providence, Rhythmics; Sheila Drezner, Modern Exercises; Christine Modica, Character Dance; Carolee Sipler, Games; Janet Heyman, Decorations; Manya Maksin, Costumes; Lois Hutchinson, Properties, and Marilyn Sholin, Publicity.

Petroni Leads Ballet

For the non-competitive numbers, Mary Petroni is head of Prelude and Lois Greenwald, head of Ballet.

The official Family were chosen by a committee composed of Miss Eleanor Keating, Mrs. Isabelle Quick, Miss Mary Fallon, Miss Bernice Cleveland, Mrs. Maragret Dickinson, Edward Murphy, Mardalee Wright, Frances Santilli, Gloria Barbiero, and Anna Mae Danka.

Spectator, October 21, 1952

Red, Blacks Gain Aides

'Gym' Teachers Pick 10, Girls to Assist Judges Of Sport Nite Production

Ten girls were recently selected to act as judges aides for this year's Sport Nite show. These girls were chosen by Edward Murphy, head of the physical education department and by the girls "gym" teachers – Mrs. Isabelle Quick, Miss Eleanor Keating, Mrs. Margaret Dickinson, and Miss Bernice Cleveland.

Each of the five judges, who vote on the various numbers, will be assisted by one aide from the Red Team and one from the Black Team. These aides assist the judges by answering any questions that may arise.

Selections of the girls are based on scholastic records, reliability, character, and co-operation. All aides must be seniors.

The aides for this year are Black Team – Patricia Dorsett, A1; Doris Lee, A15; Doris Rogoff, A19; Loretta Trotta, A2; Marylou Smith, A18; Red Team – Roberta Eddy, A14; Sandra Schwartzman, A12; Patricia Lewis, A8; Mary Carnevale, A24; and Betty Lester, A8.

Barbara Stiefbold will tabulate the votes and Ann Schultz will carry the votes from the judges to the score-keeper.

Spectator, October 21, 1952

Official Family to Get Emblems

Each member of the Sport Nite Official Family will receive a uniform emblem of achievement from the school this year. This will supplant the practice of extensive gift giving by girls in the annual event.

Commenting that the situation has grown out of hand, Paul R. Spenser, principal of Trenton High School, explained, "Costs became so large that they were beyond the reach of many parents. We hope to remedy this situation. Only in this way can we make Sports Nite a democratic undertaking in which every girl can aspire to any of the positions of leadership."

The ornament is to be solid gold for the two team captains and sterling silver for the remaining 45 members of the official family. It will consist, in part, of the school emblem surrounded by the inscription, "Trenton Sport Nite - 1958." The shield will be colored red or black according to the team on which the girl served. The girl's name and Sport Nite position will be engraved on the reverse side of the plaque.

There are actually two types of ornaments being considered as gifts to the girls. The first would consist of an emblem which could be worn on a necklace or could be used as a pin. The second consideration was that the emblem be worn on a wrist band as a bracelet. The final decision will be made by the girls themselves.

Spectator, November 14, 1952

Official Family Of Trenton High Sports Night



The "official family" chosen to reign over Sports Night activities at Trenton Central High School the week of March 16 is shown above. Left to right, front row, are: Nancy Trott, Miss Trenton High of 1953; Mardalee Wright, Red Team captain; Elaine Nochumson, mistress of ceremonies; Gloria

Barbiero, Black Team captain; Toba Lefkowitz, "Miss America;" second row: Lorraine Carhart, Joyce Bickle, Dorothy Drobnac and Susan Benck, color guards; Joan Cartlidge, red flag bearer; Jean Mather, black flag bearer; Regina Rubin, Nancy Clark, Patricia Wilkes and Eileen Scaponi.

Trenton Times, November 26, 1952

Busy With Rehearsals



Miss Nancianne Brown

High School Senior Outstanding Pianist

Dress rehearsals for "Brigadoon" have top priority at Trenton Central High School these days as the cast gets ready for opening night. One of the busiest students is Miss Nancianne Brown, an outstanding pianist, who is pounding out the rhythm for all dancing and chorus rehearsals. "Brigadoon" will be presented on Thursday and Friday at the high school.

As soon as the show is over, Nancianne will get to work composing a theme song for the Red Team in this year's Sports Night competition. She is serving as chairman of the Red group's song committee and will take part in the program.

In addition to her current projects, Nancianne accompanies all choir, chorus and glee clubs and the school. She is also assistant to Albert Ludecke in the work of the Trenton Community Chorus and the Trenton Male Glee Club.

Nancianne has appeared on radio and television as group accompanist and has played in local recitals and for various church groups. She has been personal accompanist for Toba Lefkowitz, well-known Trenton soprano, and for Harry A. Mulder's choral groups.

After graduation from high school in June Nancianne plans to study music at Temple University and Trenton State Teachers College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brown of 132 Hoffman Avenue.

Trenton Times,
December 1, 1952

Girls Enjoy Sports, Marching Activities

"Get in your squads! Blacks there! Reds there! Are the cries one hears when approaching the girls' gymnasium during a class period.

Teams have been chosen and preparations are under way for the big week. Girls wishing to be in the special marching have begun practicing. There will be 35 sophomores, juniors, and seniors on each of the Red and Black marching squads, and the girls have signed up for the activities in which they wish to participate for Sport Nite.

Many girls are also participating in Miss Bernice Cleveland's special class for beginning swimmers, and in the regular "gym" activities of badminton, basketball, volley ball, and high jumping.

Spectator, December 5, 1952

Red, Black Teams Prepare Specialties

Girls in Sport Nite specialties, working together with heads of committees and the team captains, Mardalee Wright of the Red Team and Gloria Barbiero of the Black Team, are preparing for their numbers. The girls have chosen their music, costumes and ideas and are working out dance steps.

Girls in marching numbers, headed by Joan Knight and Louis Brewer, practice during their gym and homeroom periods. Those in Games are working to increase their running speed, coached by Gale Smith and Carolee Sipler. Carol Gasco and Louis Hutchinson, with their committees, are at work on the Properties, and the Decorations Committees are working with their leaders, Janet Heyman and Marjorie Fine. Music arrangements are being taken care of by Rita Albert, Alice Gering and their groups.

Also, heads, of the Red and Black costume committees, Janet Knock and Manya Maksin, are working on attire for girls in main numbers. Chairmen of the Publicity Committees, Ginny Sampson and Marilyn Sholin, with their co-workers, are making main hall posters.

Spectator, January 23, 1953

Contest Band Leaders Pettit And Gondolfo

Marty Gondolfo and Dave Pettit have been selected by the Black and the Red team bands, respectively, to lead the music in the forthcoming 19th annual Sport Nite competition at Central High School. Sport Nite this year has been scheduled for the week of March 16.

Gondolfo is a member of the Trenton High School band and orchestra. He has chosen Vince Panarisi as his assistant leader. Pettit, who is leader of the Central High School orchestra and a regular member of the school band, has picked John Torretto to assist him.

Members of the Black Band this year are Mike Caggana, Charles Griffiths, Gary Case, John Parziale, Nick Maggie, Art Guidotti, Joe Tiger, Joe Chelednik, Art Dorer, Domenick Valeri, Eugene Kaiser, Carl Hass, Larry Fink, Chris Hartshorn, Ed Goldenbaum, Lou Mandle, George Quimby, Joe Smith, Russell Chlavoni, Paul Farinella, Ken Sindora, Gus Nemeth and Steve Russo.

Members of the Red Band: Vic Brown, Bob Stemhagen, Tony Gibilisco, Len Levine, Ed Minar, Dick Willshaw, Tom Brecko, Charles Britton, Jim Castranova, Tony Aiello, Len Contardo, Ervin Hewitt, Bob Kraml, Mike Maurio, Jerry Nowak, Ralph Petito, Tom Dickson, Nick Scherer, Tom Jarzyk, and Tom Anderson.

Trenton Times,

February 13, 1953

1,200 Girls Will Participate In Sports Nite March 16-20

The 19th consecutive annual performance of Sports Night will take place in the Trenton Central High School gymnasium this year from March 16 to 20. With about 1,200 girls participating, the Red Team, captained by Mardalee Wright, will vie with the Black Team, led by Gloria Barbiero. "Spring Fever" is the theme for this year's show.

Committee heads who will manage the event are as follows: Red Team — marching, Joan Knight; theme song, Alice Gerling; tap dances, Gerry Newcombe; songs and cheers, Francis Santilli; music, Nancianna Brown; character dance, Joan Mines; modern exercises, Mary Lou Grove; rhythmic, Joyce Bailey; games, Gail Smith; decorations, Marjorie Fine; properties, Carol Gasco; costumes, Janet Knock; publicity, Virginia Sampson.

Black Team — Marching, Lois Brower; theme song, Lynn Denney; tap dances, Joan White; songs and cheers, Phyllis Mattel; music, Rita Albert; character dances, Christine Modica; modern exercises, Shella Droszner; rhythmic, Mary Providence; games, Carolee Sipler; decorations, Janet Heyman; properties, Lois Hutchinson; costumes, Manya Maksin; publicity, Marilyn Sholin.

Non-competitive numbers will be headed by Mary Petroni in the Prelude and by Louise Green-

wald for the ballet. Dave Pettit has been chosen as the leader of the Red Band, while Marty Gondolfo will conduct the Black Band. Crews of boys from arts and shops classes are in charge of lighting and scenery.

Sports Nite was originated by the late Dr. Paul R. Spencer in 1935 as a device to stimulate the interest of girls in physical education. It was at that time only a one-night performance. Points were awarded for originality and execution in five events: dancing, cheering, racing, tumbling and entrance. Teams performed to the music of a piano, and used gym suits for costumes. Today's shows feature over a dozen events marked by large orchestral groups, modern lighting effects, lavish costumes and intricate dance numbers.

Sports Nite again will be staged this year five nights. Monday will be "preview," Tuesday will be the sophomore show, Wednesday for juniors, seniors on Thursday, and Friday the "finale," when the best numbers of the week are to be put on all together. Each night's performance will include prelude formalities, ballet dancing, marching parades, obstacle and novelty races and games, special songs and cheers, tap dancing, rhythmic exercises, modern exercising, and "character" dances.

Principal numbers include two parts, a presentation by the group at large and a specialty put on by particularly talented girls of the group. Prelude formalities involve a mistress of ceremonies, a Miss America, a Miss Trenton High School, and their retinues.

Trenton Times, February 16, 1953

Girls Make Final Plans For Annual Extravaganza

"Spring Fever" has been chosen as the theme of this year's Sport Nite production, which is to be held on the nights of March 16 through 20, in the Trenton High School gymnasium.

The numbers chosen to carry out the theme will pertain to the signs of Spring, such as love, April showers, house cleaning, Easter, and things we associate with this budding season of the year.

Judges Aides for the event have been chosen. Each judge of the event has an aid from both the Red and Black teams. There are five judges in all, three of physical education, one of art, and one of music. The aides answer whatever questions the judges may have pertaining to Sport Nite, keep the judges alerted as to when they are to vote, and provide things necessary for voting. Each night, one of the aides listens while instructions are given to the judges, in order to set aside rumors about the influencing of the voting.

Personal Qualities Important

The girls are chosen because they are pleasant, agreeable, and trustworthy. The Red Team aides are Audrey Evans, A7; Nellie Pontrella, A11; Myrna Lesson, A14; Mary Applegate, A1; and Catharine Dileo, A6. Lynda Ellis, A7; Cathy Woolston, A19; Dorothy Savko, A11; Betty Lou Lyons, A18; and Rose Dilapo, A5, will serve as Black Team aides.

Red Team Lists Usherettes

Serving as Red Team usherettes are Jean Oliveri, Marilyn Ratcliffe, Anita Silverstein, Louise Bossio, Elaine Bate, Alice Nictakis, Lillian Gazdik, Joyce Welch, Genevieve Chiaramonti, Gwendolyn Levere, Betty Nagy, Charlotte Holmes, Rose Marie Szymanski, Patricia Hirshman, Audrey Evans, Phillis Sokolner and Edna Umberger.

Black Team usherettes are Dorothy Edwards, Janice Dale, Roberta Cleary, Matilda Pannone, Joyce Latoof, Anitta Stemmer, Helen Elko, Norma Barrett, Janice Kaplow, Susan Myers, Eleanor Bodnar, Carole Caplon, Evelyn Freidman, Roberta Lieberman, Veronica Wagner, and Judith Henty.

Bands Combine Talents

The Red and Black bands collaborate on music for the Prelude, Ballet, and Finale. This year they will play "Les Preludes" by Liszt, "The Waltzing Cat" by Anderson, "March from Peter and the Wolf" by Prokofieff, "Gallop: Masquerade Suite" by Khatchaturian, and many other.

This year, the captains of the five "gym" periods will choose a girl from each team to represent her period to serve on a souvenir committee. The committee will be responsible for collecting 10 cents from any girl who wishes to contribute, and for using the money to purchase a gift for each team captain and for the mistress of ceremonies.

Spectator, February 20, 1953

Sport Nite Show Halts Intra-Murals

With both the boys' and girls' "gyms" being used during homeroom for Sport Nite practice, intramural basketball has been postponed until after the big event.

Teams remaining in the competition are as follows: C3, C4, C8, C18, C22, C24, B3, B9, B12, B14, B16, B23, B24, B25, A2, A5, A7, A10, A14, A16, A18, A22, A24, and A26.

William Weaver, director of the tournament, said that interest in intra-murals has been very high this year. He said that there have been good turnouts on the part of the homerooms, both in the entering teams and in sending enough boys to the "gym" to play.

Spectator, February 20, 1953

WTTM, WBUD To Air THS Sports Night Event

What's the greatest event in the life of a Trenton High girl? Or boy for that matter? Of course it's Sports Night. . . the five night/sell out gym show featuring the Red and Black teams of the school.

This year local stations, WTTM and WBUD, will broadcast all five night of Sports Night direct from the THS gym it was announced by Fred L. Bernstein, WTTM general manager and Richard Hardin, WBUD station manager.

The sellout show will open for its five night run on March 16th. Monday through Thursday night at about 10:40 p. m. over WTTM's feature news show, "Delaware Valley Review." The station will take the air to give a run down

of all points scored that night so far. They will stay on the air till that night's show is over or 11:00 p. m.

On Friday night WTTM will cancel all NBC shows and will take the air at 8 p. m. with the complete finale night activity.

WBUD will air the show, Monday through Thursday from 10:30 to 11 p. m. and on Friday will broadcast the entire proceedings.

T. J. Martin, Bill Hildenbrand, Mrs. Nan Rednor and other members of the station's staff will describe the event.

Trenton Times, March 1, 1953

Black Team, Winning Cover Design For Program, Grabs Early Lead For Sports Nite

With the 19th reopening of Sports Nite only two weeks off, girls at Trenton Central High School have begun to "pour it on" in earnest at practice and rehearsals for the big show.

The Black Team jumped off to a one-point lead last week when Lois Hutchinson's cover design was chosen to decorate the official program.

Of the past eighteen performances the Black Team has won nine times, the Red Team eight times, and one year the compe-

tion ended in a tie. The Black Team has been victorious for the past two years. The Reds, however, have the longest single winning streak over the years to their credit, four — between 1947-1950. The complete record of Sport Nite competition is as follows:

| Year | Theme | Red Team Captain | Black Team Cap. | Winner |
|------|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------|
| 1935 | (None) | Marjorie Cooper | Eloise Devlin | Red |
| 1936 | (None) | Amelia Jastrebski | Mamie Abbott | Black |
| 1937 | (None) | Betty Rhoads | Helen Milaszewski | Red |
| 1938 | "East and West" | Bridget Ricatto | Beatrice Phillips | Black |
| 1939 | "Nursery Rhymes and Alice in Wonderland" | Marian Fugill | Margaret Hardley | Black |
| 1940 | "Pageant of the Seasons" | Patricia Harper | Rita Topley | Red |
| 1941 | "Between the Book Ends" | Faye Briauoe | Mella Brooks | Black |
| 1942 | "Songs Old and New" | Gertrude James | Billie Ross | Red |
| 1943 | "Highlights of American History" | Olivia DePastina | Marjorie Case | Black |
| 1944 | "Tenth Anniversary" | Ann Adams | Gloria Hill | Tie |
| 1945 | "Famous Paintings" | Frances Pedrick | Lucy Naples | Black |
| 1946 | "Fairylend Fantasies" | Millie Ezert | Lorraine Tettemer | Black |
| 1947 | "Superstitions" | Jean Poinsett | Jo Varsalano | Red |
| 1948 | "Sport Nite Vignette" | Irene Kosma | Mary Jane Tilton | Red |
| 1949 | "Through a Shop Window" | Evelyn Yousko | Jo Barbiero | Red |
| 1950 | "Flight 16" | Jane Poinsett | Sally Yaeger | Red |
| 1951 | "Imagine That" | Janet Briggs | Marjorie Saville | Black |
| 1952 | "All Around Town" | Shirley Neula | Joan Greco | Black |
| 1953 | "Spring Fever" | Mardalee Wright | Gloria Barbiero | ? |

Trenton Times, March 2, 1953

Sports Nite Aide



Janet Heymann



Marjorie Fine

Marjorie Fine and Janet Heymann are in charge of the decorations committees for this year's production of the Trenton Central High School Sport Nite. Miss Fine is chairman of the Red Team committee, while Miss Heymann is Black Team decorations committee chairman. One point is awarded each evening of the show for decorations. Other members of the committees are as follows: Red Team — Marie Contardo, Jane Cartledge, Joanne Trammontana, Marian D'Ambrosio, Jane Grundahl, Marianne Michalowsky, Carmella DeMartino, Elaine DeMatteo, Joan Smith, Madeline Chianese, and Marion Kaplow, Zelda Nochumson, Marian DiFalco, Joan Kahn, Barbara Carter, Roberta Matte, Fay Smukler, Phyllis Solomon, Sandra Epifanio, Sandra Hafetz, and Rose Zilolowsky.

Trenton Times,
March 5, 1953

THS Sports Nite Spectacle Is Next Week

Frances Santilli and Phyllis Mattel, along with their specialty groups, will lead the Red and the Black teams, respectively, in songs and cheers at the Trenton Central High School Sports Nite next week.

Two points are awarded each night of the show, one for songs and the other for cheers. Originality, articulation, showmanship, precision, and discipline are the criteria for judging. The Red Team will be majorettes from a Spring parade, while the Black Team will be bumblebees making their first appearance in the Spring.

Miss Santilli's Red Team specialty number will include Joan Naples, Elaine Salvatore, Dorothy Gennerl, Sandra DeVito, Rose Conte, Doris Silvers, Edna Wilcox, and Evelyn DeAngelo. The Black Team's cheer specialty includes Phyllis Mattel, chairman, and Peggy Murfit, Barbara Cohen, Gloria Peluso, Shirley Sylvester, Isabell Penrose, Sandra Kramer, and Linda Brenner.

Edith Carlton and Jackie Merlino are Red Team substitutes. Patricia Hines and Annette DeMartin are Black Team substitutes.

Trenton Times,
March 11, 1953

Instills Spirit



Gloria Barbiero

Photo by Bob Adams

Encourages Team



Tinky Wright

Photo by Lou Crivelli

Reds Promise Keen Fight; Blacks Seek Third Straight

On the eve of their big week, the two enthusiastic captains offer messages of encouragement in their respective teams.

Gloria, captain of the "Fighting Blacks" urges her team to continue working together in harmony to gain a third consecutive Black Team Victory, and adds, "With our overpowering spirit and determination we just can't miss.

"The girls in specialties and the main numbers are doing their best to help win 1953's Sport Nite. The fellows in the band are working harder than ever to help the girls with their music. Keep it up!

"We Blacks know the Reds have a great captain and Tinky will work hard to bring the Reds victory, but we Blacks must and will work harder. We will 'work together in harmony to gain another Victory.' Good luck, girls, towards Black Team Victory in 1953!"

Tinky, captain of the "Mighty Reds," reminds her girls, "Keep your spirit; don't give in and I know that the Red Team Flag will soon be flying high over Trenton High."

"The Blacks have a swell captain, Gloria Barbiero, and with her they are working for another victory.

"WE have a terrific band this year. If you were to walk through our school to watch preparation for Sport Nite, you would find many groups who are doing very important jobs that sometimes go unnoticed. The print shop, wood shop, sewing classes, prop boys, lighting crew, and many others should be credited for the wonderful work they are doing.

"When all of these groups unite as one, you can be sure that the Mighty Red Team will work together, fight together, and WIN together. Good Luck Reds!"

Spectator, March 13, 1953

Ballet Group Strikes A Pose



Shown rehearsing for the non-competitive ballet number are left to right Rita De Bonis, Matilda Ebert, Mary Petroni, Patricia Butcher, Alice Wilson.

Photo by John Li Mato

Spectator, March 13, 1953

Girls Present Sport Nite

Girls Prepare Numbers As Show Approaches; Ballet to Open Program

"Spring Fever" is in the air, especially around Trenton High. The 19th annual Sport Nite is in its final stages of preparation under the direction of the two team captains, Mardalee Wright, Red Team, and Gloria Barbiero, Black Team. To date, the Blacks have the slight edge, having won the nine contests against eight for the Reds, with ties two years.

The extravaganza will be presented during the week of March 13, with Monday set as Preview Night and Friday night as Finale. Tuesday will be Sophomore Night; Wednesday, Junior Night, and Thursday, Senior Night. During the five nights, over 1200 girls will participate in the show.

Address Opens Evening

Elaine Nochumson, the Mistress of Ceremonies will open the evening with a welcoming address. She will introduce Tinky and Gloria. Then Toba Lefkowitz, Miss America; and Nancy Trott, Miss Trenton High; will enter flanked by their color guards.

Prelude, the first non-competitive number, will open the program with "Spring Sonnet" headed by Mary Petroni. Then the two teams will march to the floor to begin the competitive numbers. The Red Team, led by Joan Knight, will present "Batters Up" as their contribution to the marching competition. Under Lois Brewer, the Blacks will appear as "April Fool Jesters."

The respective teams will then sing their theme songs "Red Zoom" by Nancy Brown and "Black Zip" by Lynn Denny. Red Team Cheerleaders will portray "Majorettes on Parade," with Frances Santilli as their captain. The Black Bumblebees will be captained by Phyllis Mattel.

Stage Character Dance

Character Dance will find the Red Team as "Easter Surprise" directed by Joan Mines while the Black Team will present "Daisy Mae and 'Lil Abner" under the leadership of Christine Modica.

Red Rhythmics will present "Spring Ceremonial Dance" directed by Joyce Bailey. "Dust Dilemma" by Mary Providence will be the theme of the Black Rhythmics group. The teams will compete in a Novelty Race headed by Gail Smith and Carolee Sipler. Later in the evening the girls will present an obstacle race under the direction of Gail Smith and Carolee Sipler.

"On Graduation Day", headed by Geraldine Newcomb and "Springtime in the Rockies," directed by Joan White, will be featured for Red and Black Team Tap numbers, respectively.

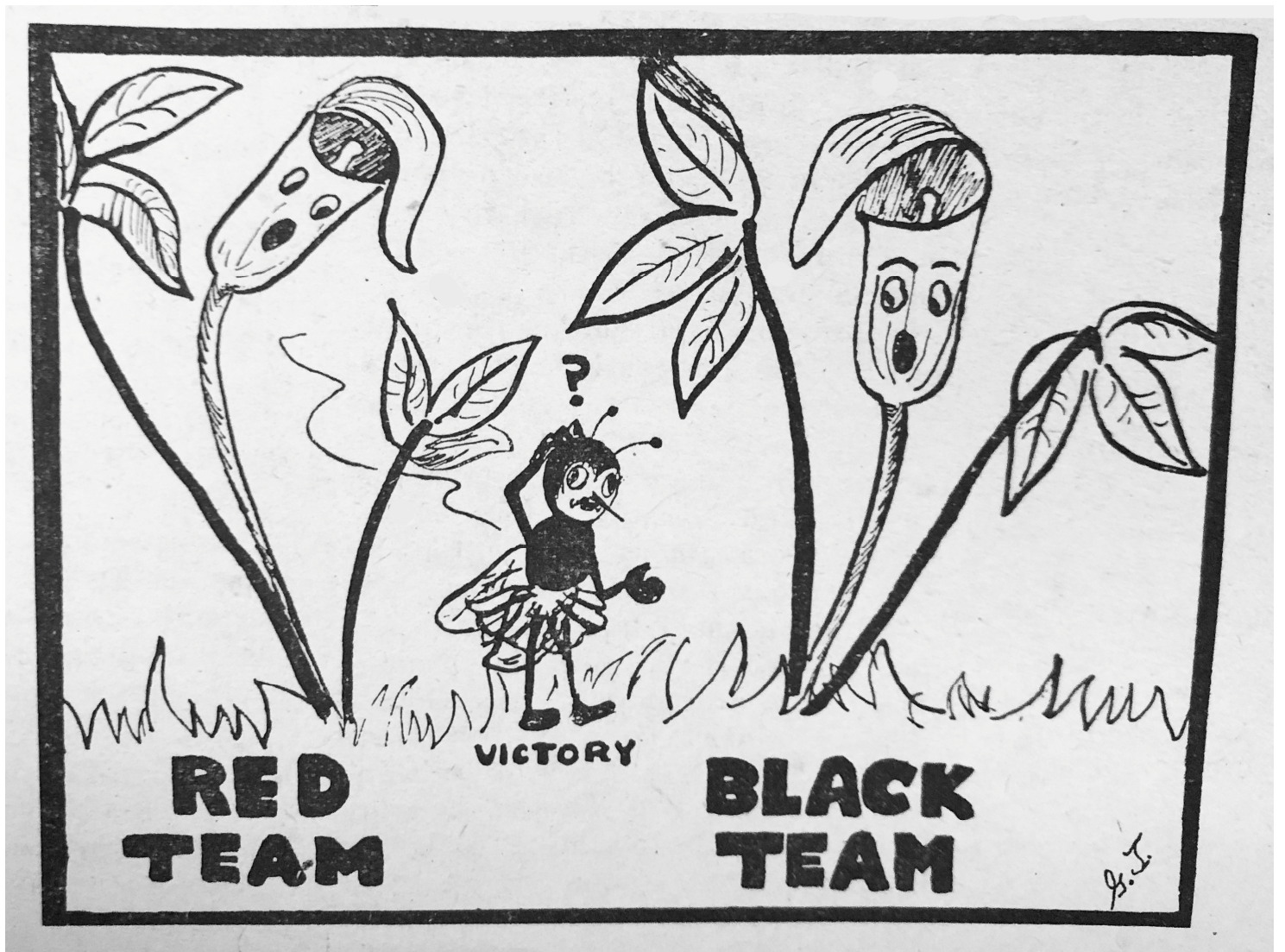
Class Enacts Ballet

Members of the sixth period dancing class will stage a non-competitive ballet under the direction of Lois Greenwald. Theme of the ballet will be "Coronation Caprice."

Red Modern Exercises, under the leadership of Mary Lou Grove, will present "Under the Big Top". Sheila Drezner is in charge of a "Dose of Black Pep," which is the title of Black Modern Exercises.

The Red Band led by Dave Pettit will play "Birth of the Blues;" "Lullaby to the Leaves" will be played by the Black Band, led by Marty Gandolfo.

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Sews Costumes



At the sewing machine is Carolyn Crieo in Miss Viloa Moss's third period class.

Photo by Eugene Sellers

Girls Stitch Show Finery

Red, Black Committees Make Sport Nite Clothes; Sewing Classes Assist

Costumes for Sport Nite are made by the sewing classes of Miss Viola Moss, Miss Thelma Lomax, and Miss Helen Bradshaw, the Red and Black Team Costume Committees, and the Red and Black Team Marching Committees.

With from 1400 to 1500 yards of material, 480 yards of white and black elastic, about 24 dozen spools of colored thread, and 5 gross of hooks and eyes the sewers started work on February 13. These figures do not include the several hundred yards of glistening material used for trimming. The price of costuming the participants for Sport Nite is estimated at \$1200.

Design, Make Costumes

Each sewing class is assigned a number of costumes to make. Miss Moss's advanced classes make designs and patterns for the costumes from suggestions given by the leaders of the various groups. They also calculate the yardage needed to make the costumes.

Four sets of costumes have been washed, ironed, and remodeled for use this year from costumes used in previous Sport Nite Shows. Between 700 and 800 costumes will have been made by the sewing classes, and by the Costume and Marching Committees.

"The girls are working hard and deserve a lot of credit," said Miss Moss.

Girls Check Finery Nightly

Girls on the Costume Committee make several costumes and check them every night of the show. They are Black Team, Marya Maksin, Dolores Enourata, Julia Annaccarato, Dorothy Evans, Jean Milosqewski, Sylvia Jable, Joan Collins, and Julia Piraino; Red Team, Janet Knock, head, Joyce O'Brien, Evelyn Carr, Brearly Seible, Marid Szymanski.

Making costumes for the marchers and checking them are the main jobs of the Marching Committees. Lois Brewer heads the Black Team Marching Committee. Working with her is Gini Stout, Gloria Calderone, Sue Wilkinson, Agnes Darragh, Peggy Colvin, Dolores Barbiero, and Evelyn Pope. The Red Team Marching Committee headed by Joan Knight consists of Dolores Roehner, Norma Rich, Mary Anne Darragh, Gail Spitz, Gail Alexander, Angie Fuccello, Marion Angelini and Dolores Twarkusky.

Spectator, March 13, 1953

Station To Air Parts of Show

Radio stations WTTM and WBUD are planning to broadcast highlights of Sport Nite this year as they have in the past years.

Lennie Orland, THS senior, has been gathering material on the big show to be used by Fred Walker and Mrs. Nan Rednor, directors of public affairs for WTTM and WBUD, respectively.

Each station will broadcast from 20 minutes to a half hour on the first four nights beginning at approximately 10:30 P.M. On Friday, the last night of the show, both stations will broadcast the entire event.

Four THS girls are to act as spotters for the announcers, that is, to keep them informed as to what is going on and who the participants are.

Those chosen to act in this capacity are Lynn Peterson, Janice Kaplow, Dolores Mitchell, and Rana Bernstein.

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Rivals In Marching Event



Lois Brewer and Joan Knight

Lois Brewer (left) and Joan Knight, of Trenton Central High School, will lead the Black and Red teams, respectively, in the contests of precision marching one of the highlights of each night's show in next week's Sport Nite exhibition at the school. In flashing costumes and intricate cadences, about 80 girls to a team perform in the marching number. The Sport

Nite theme for this year is "Spring Fever." Members of the Red marching committee are Gall Alexander, Marlon Angelino, Mary Ann Darragh, Angie Fucello, Dolores Roehner, Norma Rich, Gail Spitz, and Dolores Twarkusky. The Black team's marching committee includes Dolores Barbiero, Peggy Colvin, Gloria Calderone, Agnes Darragh, Pat Elias, Gini Stout, Evelyn Pope and Sue Wilkinson.

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Red And Black Teams At THS Are Primed For 'Spring Fever' (That's Sports Nite Theme)

19th Competition Starts Tonight — Some 900

Girls Will Take Part — Black Team

Leads, 9 To 8

"Spring Fever" will prevail over the Trenton High School gymnasium tonight as the annual Girls' Sport Nite unfolds for the 19th time. Tonight's performance, the first of five nightly shows, will start at 8:15 p. m.

With Spring arriving next Sunday, the 900 girls of Trenton High School who will participate in Sport Nite have chosen "Spring Fever" as the theme of their physical education display.

For five nights this week the girls, divided into the Red and Black teams, will engage in competitive numbers for the honor of being Sport Nite champion of 1953. The Black Team, winner for the past two years, leads in the rivalry, nine to eight. The 1944 event ended in a tie.

Competition in the all-girl production has been keen every year. For the past two years the margin of victory was one point. Before the Blacks made it two in a row, the Red Team had held the upper hand for four years in succession from 1947-50. Joan Greco captained the Black Team last year while Shirley Neuls led the Red Team.

Captains for this year's spectacle are Tinky Wright, Red Team, and Gloria Barbiero, Black Team. Tonight's program will open with the two captains marching on to the floor after an address of welcome by Elaine Nochumson, mistress of ceremonies.

Toba Lefkowitz, Miss America; Nancy Trott, Miss Trenton High; the team flag bearers, Joan Cartledge (Red) and Jean Mather (Black), and their color guards will then be presented to the audience. The color guards include Patricia Wilkes, Nancy Clarke, Joyce Bickel, Dorothy Drobnak, Lorraine Carhart, Eileen Soprony, Regina Rubin and Sue Benck.

The competitive numbers during this week's show will revolve around Lady Spring arousing from her slumber with all the enchantment of April showers and May flowers.

Points are awarded each night in the various competitive events. These include marching, theme

songs, cheers, novelty race, tap dances, band, modern exercises, rhythmic novelty, character dance, decorations, program and obstacle race. Judging each night will be done by leading physical education instructors from throughout the state. The team with the most accumulative points at the end of Friday night's performance will be the 1953 champion.

Tonight's opening performance will find girls, chosen by their physical education instructors, taking part. The sophomores will hold forth tomorrow night while the juniors take the spotlight Wednesday. Thursday's show will be dominated by seniors while the final performance Friday will be put on by girls chosen as the best during the previous four nights by their captains.

In addition to the competitive events, there will be two non-competitive numbers. These are the prelude, entitled "Spring Sonnet," and ballet, which depicts a little girl in search of flowers in the woods.

Baseball, Easter, Cupid and Graduation Day are only a few of the settings for the various competitive events.

With tickets having been sold out for the past two weeks, capacity throngs will be on hand each of the five nights. The demand for tickets, according to Vice Principal George Bolge, has been unusually heavy this year. "In fact," Bolge stated, "we haven't half enough tickets to go around."

Judges' Aides For Sports Nite



These young ladies from Trenton Central High School will serve as judges' aides in the annual Sport Nite exhibition starting tonight. They are (left to right, front row) Evelyn Dancsak, who will serve as scorekeeper, Nellie Pontrella, Helen Cook, Rose Dilapo, and Catherine Dileo; second row, Dorothy Savko, Myrna Lesson, Cathy Woolston, Mary Applegate, and Audrey Evans. Betty Lou Lyon and Lynda Ellis were absent when the photo was taken. There will be five different judges for

each of the five nights that the show lasts. Three will be physical education experts, while the other two will judge the art and the music. All will be from outside the Trenton school system. The student aides will assist judges in their work by acting as spotters and guides. To assist in the stands and to help handle the sell-out crowds each night, usherettes representing both the Red and the Black teams will also be on hand. Black Team usherettes will be Norma Barrett, Eleanor Bodnar, Carole Coplon, Roberta Cleary, Janice

Dale, Dorothy Edwards, Helen Elko, Evelyn Friedman, Judith Henty, Janice Kaplow, Joyce Latoof, Roberta Lieberman, Susan Myers, Matilda Pannone, Anita Stemmer, and Veronica Wagner. Red Team usherettes will be Elaine Bate, Louise Bosio, Genevieve Chiamonti, Lillian Gazdik, Patricia Hirshman, Charlotte Holmes, Gwen Dolyn Levere, Betty Nagy, Alice Nictakis, Jean Oliveri, Maralyn Ratcliffe, Anita Silverstein, Phyllis Sokolner, Rose Marie Szymanski, Ena Umberger and Joyce Welsh.

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1953 BLACK TEAM THEME SONG

HAIL THE BLACK TEAM STRONG AND MIGHTY
WE WILL ALWAYS BE—FAITHFUL TRUE AND EVER
LOYAL IN OUR LOVE FOR THEE

BLACK TEAM GIRLS WILL MARCH TOGETHER THROUGH
THIS SPORTS NIGHT SHOW FOR WE KNOW THAT WITH
THIS SPIRIT—BLACK TEAM FAME WILL GROW.

BLACK TEAM GIRLS THE TIME HAS COME FOR US TO
SAY ADOO—BUT WE WILL REMEMBER ALWAYS—BLACK
TEAM COLORS TRUE.

Among Principals In Sport Nite



Trenton High School's 19th annual Girls' Sport Nite opened a five-night stand last night before a near-sellout audience in the school gymnasium. Principal figures in the physical edu-

cation spectacle are pictured above. The respective team captains, Gloria Barbiero of the Blacks, and Tinky Wright, Reds, are shown shaking hands before the opening night performance which the Black

Team won, 8-6. In the photo, from left to right: Nancy Trott, Miss Trenton High; Miss Barbiero, Toba Lefkowitz, Miss America; Miss Wright, and Elaine Nochumson, Mistress of Ceremonies.



Flag bearers for Trenton High School's 19th annual Girls' Sport Nite are pictured above before last night's

opening performance in the school gymnasium. From left to right: Joan Cartlidge, Red Team flag bearer; Patricia Wilkes,

color guard; Toba Lefkowitz, Miss America; Nancy Clark, color guard, and Jean Mather, Black Team flag bearer.

Black Team Off To 2-Point Lead In Sports Nite At THS

With the Black Team holding a two-point lead over the Red Team, sophomore girls will hold the spotlight tonight as the 19th annual Sport Nite resumes in the Trenton High School gymnasium. The Black Team won the opening night's performance, eight to six, before a near-sellout throng last evening.

Tonight's performance, slated for 8:15 o'clock, is the second of five nightly presentations of the all-girl physical education spectacle. Tomorrow night the eleventh grade girls will reign supreme while Thursday night will be devoted to the seniors. The finale on Friday night will be dominated by girls chosen as the best during the previous four nights by their captains. Members of last night's cast were chosen by gym captains and physical education instructors.

Points are awarded each night in 12 competitive events. The team with the most accumulative points at the end of Friday night's performance will be crowned 1953 Sport Nite champion. The Black team, winner for the past two years, leads in the rivalry, nine to eight. The 1944 event ended in a tie.

The Black Team, captained by Gloria Barbiero won the first two points last night to take a lead it never yielded during the two-and-a-half hour performance. Black Team points were won on marching, theme songs,

decorations, program cover design, songs, band and modern exercises. The Red Team, captained by Tinky Wright, won character dance, novelty race, tap dances, cheers and obstacle race. The point for the cover design was awarded to the drawing made by Lois Hutchinson of the Black Team. This point will not be awarded the remaining four nights.

In the rhythmic novelty, one of the most colorful competitive events witnessed by the large throng last night, the two teams divided honors. Each team picked up a point by being awarded a tie by the three judges.

The Black Team rhythmic, entitled "Jungle Fever," depicts a native witch doctor, played by Joyce Bailey, doing a war dance atop a large tom-tom. "Dust Dilemma," the Red Team's theme was roundly applauded by the audience as Mary Providence portrayed a duster is sweeping dirt into a vacuum cleaner.

Modern exercises was another highlight of the opening program. The Red Team's "Under the Big Top," which depicted the circus coming to town was executed in fine manner despite the fact that Chairman Mary Lou Groves was missing from the group. Miss Groves sustained an injury during rehearsal last week and has had to forego the competition. Sulphur

petitive and non-competitive numbers.

The program opened last night with the entrance of the Red and Black bands, led by David Pettit and Marty Gandolfo, respectively. After an address of welcome by Elaine Nochumson, mistress of ceremonies, the respective team captains were presented to the audience. This was followed by the presentation of Toba Lefkowitz, Miss America; Nancy Trott, Miss Trenton High; Joan Cartlidge, Red flag bearer; Jean Mather, Black flag bearer, and color guards, Patricia Wilkes, Nancy Clark, Joyce Bickel, Dorothy Drobnak, Lorraine Carhart, Eileen Soprony, Regina Rubin and Sue Benck.

Judges for last night's competitive events were Miss Elsie Dubois, girls' physical education instructor at Haddonfield High School; Mrs. Grace B. Barnhart, girls' instructor at Pennington Central High School, and Roy Van Ness of Trenton Teachers College physical education department. Music was judged by J. R. King, director of instrumental music at the University of Delaware. Mrs. Helene Condon of the fine and vocational art department of the New Jersey School for the Deaf judged the decorations.

While several empty seats were noticeable at last night's performance, school authorities pointed out that the remaining four shows have been completely sold out.

Trenton Times, March 17, 1953

Reds Even Sport Nite Tally At 13

Honors are all even as the Red and Black Teams go into their third night of competition tonight in Trenton High School's 19th annual Girls' Sport Nite. The Red Team, winning by a 7-5 score last night before a sellout throng in the THS gymnasium, tied the two-night score at 13-13. Tonight's program, starting at 8:15, will feature eleventh grade girls.

The five-night physical education spectacle continues tomorrow night with the seniors holding forth. The more than 900 girls will conclude their weeklong competition Friday night. The team with the most accumulative points at the close of Friday night's performance will be crowned 1952 Sport Nite champion. The Black Team, victorious the past two years, leads in the spirited rivalry, nine to eight. The 1944 event ended in a tie.

The Red Team, captained by Mardalea (Tinky) Wright, last night won points for theme song, novelty race, rhythmic, obstacle race, cheers and band. Gloria Barbiero's Black Team was awarded points for marching, character dance, tap dance and modern exercises.

Judges for last night's performance were Mrs. Freda Fackler of Barnegat High School, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lee, Netcong High School, physical education instructors who judged the competitive numbers; Miss Colin Henry of Kearny High School, art judge, and Howard Chivian, musical director of the Diamond Band of Temple University, music judge.

Injuries have befallen both teams during the first two nights of the all-girl extravaganza. Monday night saw the Black Team modern exercises minus its leader, Mary Lou Groves, who was sidelined with an injury received during a rehearsal. Last night the Red Team tap dance went on without its chairman, Joan White, who earlier in the day suffered a knee injury in a fall during school hours.

Trenton Times,
March 18, 1953

Reds Take Lead In THS Sport Nite

Hoping to snap the two-year reign of the Black Team, the Red Team holds a 21-18 lead as the 19th annual Trenton High School Girls' Sport Nite enters its fourth and next-to-last performance tonight. Senior Girls will hold the spotlight tonight when the physical education spectacle gets under way in the THS gymnasium at 8:15 o'clock.

Competition for championship honors conclude tomorrow night. The team with the most accumulative points will be crowned 1953 titlist. The Black Team has won the past two years and holds a 9-8 edge in the rivalry. One tie is included in the series. The Black Team took an 8-6 lead in Monday night's opening performance, only to have the Red Team tie the score at 13-13. Last night, with eleventh grade girls dominating the competition, the Red Team won by an 8-5 margin.

Points were won by the Red Team in marching, novelty race, obstacle race, decorations, rhythmic, songs and cheers. The Black Team won theme song, character dance, tap dance and modern exercises. Each team won a point when the rival bands were adjudged equal on last night's selections.

Judges for the competitive numbers last night were T. M. Curtis, boys' physical education instructor at Stroudsburg (Pa.) High School; Miss Virginia Miller, girls' physical education, Stroudsburg High School; and Mrs. Mary Henning, East Stroudsburg State Teachers College. Miss Helen Cresson of East Orange judged the artwork. The Red and Black Team bands were adjudged by Tom Waring, composer and arranger for his brother, Fred Waring, well-known orchestra leader.

Paul Whiteman was scheduled to be one of the judges tonight.

Trenton Times,
March 19, 1953

Both Sport Nite Teams Wait Finale

One point separates the Red and Black Teams as they go into tonight's final performance of Trenton High School's 19th annual Girls' Sport Nite. The Red Team, although losing by an 8-6 score last night, leads the Blacks by a 27-26 margin through four nights of competition.

Tonight's closing performance will start at 8:15 in the THS gymnasium. Girls chosen as the best during the previous four nights by their captains will comprise tonight's cast. The winner at the close of the final performance will be crowned 1953 Sport Nite champion. The Black Team, winner the past two years, holds a 9-8 lead in the rivalry. One tie is included in the series. The flag of the winning team will be hoisted atop the school flag pole in brief ceremonies Monday morning.

Sport Nite's official family, headed by the team captains and the various committee chairman, received medallions this morning. The awards were made by Acting Principal Albert C. Wenzel and the girls' physical education instructors.

Last night the Black Team registered its second nightly triumph with points for rhythmic, tap dance, obstacle race, songs, cheers and band. The Red Team, which has also won two nights, gained points for marching, theme song, novelty race and modern exercises last night. Each team won a point for tying in decorations and character dance.

Judges for competitive physical education numbers last night were Mrs. Kay Hoyt, dancing instructor from Pennington; Miss Patricia Smyth of Centenary Junior College, Hackettstown; and Skipper Dawes, producer and director of several television shows, including Paul Whiteman's TV Teen Club.

Art work last night was adjudged by Raymond E. Gallucci of Millville High School. Miss Janet Grimmer of Westfield High School and president of the Department of Music of the New Jersey Education Association was music judge.

Guests at last night's show included Mrs. John Mathews of Stockton, better known as Stella Dallas of radio fame, and Carl A. Troester Jr., executive secretary of the American Association of Physical Education, Health and Recreation, who made a trip from his headquarters in Washington, D. C., to witness the all-girl spectacle.

Trenton Times,
March 20, 1953

Visiting Teacher Gets Thrill At High School's Sports Nite

Probably the most enthusiastic rooter at the Sport Nite ceremonies at Trenton High School last week was Miss Elfriede Freier a visiting teacher from Germany.

Sport Nite topped all activities which Miss Freier has ever seen students participate in either in Europe or the United States.

She recalled wistfully after hearing the Trenton Symphony Orchestra last Tuesday evening that she never heard Beethoven or Mozart played more correctly. Her praise of Conductor Guglielmo Sabatini and the local musicians was of the highest.

Miss Freier is one of a group of 100 German teachers who are "observing" students in American schools. At first the group was broken into small groups of 10 and 15 teachers and later they were sent out on "their own." They will report back to Washington, D. C. for discussions with State Department officials and leave for Germany on April 7.

Before visiting Trenton High School Miss Freier observed in schools in Oregon and Southern California. She expressed the belief that Trenton students have greater educational opportunities because of the wide use made of motion picture films. She described Trenton High as the largest school with the most varied curriculum she has attended. The advantages afforded American students for a free education in contrast to systems in Germany also brought praise from the German visitor.

Miss Freier is a graduate of the

University of Koeln, the University of Leipzig and the University of Breslau. At home she teaches a group between the ages of 14 to 18 years. She smilingly added that her class had ordered her to "bring back the latest American dances."

She has studied American Square and Folk dances and hopes to teach them to her class on her return home.

The work of Harry Mulder with the Trenton High School Choir is amazing, Miss Freier declared. She has been an avid listener at many of the choir's rehearsals. At the school she has been observing Miss Elizabeth Dillon's drama classes as well as Arthur Schoener's commercial classes. The subjects which she teaches at home include economics, social studies and commercial subjects.

Miss Freier will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the Altar-Rosary Society of Blessed Sacrament Church Monday evening. She will discuss German family life, church activity and religious education.

She has also addressed the Ewing Teachers Association and several church groups during her stay. She is living at the home of Mrs. L. H. Rogers at 706 Stuyvesant Avenue.

Trenton Times, March 22, 1953

As Educators Greet Visitor



In the picture, left to right are shown: Acting Trenton High School Principal A. C. Wenzel, Vice Principal Miss Sarah Christie, Miss Elfriede Freier and Arthur Schoener, head of commercial department. Miss Freier is a visiting teacher from Germany.

Trenton Times, March 22, 1953

Smile In Defeat



Miss Gloria Barbiero, left, Black Team captain, manages a sporting smile after her team bowed 33 to 35 to the winning Red Team captained by Miss Mardalee Wright, right. Miss

Wright will raise the Red flag at Trenton Central High School tomorrow as a symbol of the victory scored by her teammates in the annual competition between girls in the school's physical education program.

Black Team Bleacher Bedlam



Bedlam rocked the Black Team bleachers after modern exercises and a Black Team band

scored tying points in the finale of the annual Girls Sports Night at Trenton Central High

School. However, the Red Team went on to score two more points and win its first victory in three years.

Red Team Ends Black Reign In THS Sports Competition

A two-year reign by the Black Team was broken Friday night when the Red Team registered a 35-33 win in Trenton Central High School's 19th annual Sports Nite event.

The Red victory also tied the overall series at 9-9. Honors went to both teams one year.

Friday's show followed the same close pattern as did the previous four evenings.

The Reds, holding a slim one-point margin going into the final, had to be content with keeping it against a determined Black Team.

The first two events, marching and theme song, which the Reds had won the previous night were scored even by the judges.

The Reds took a two-point lead when they captured honors in the character dance. The Blacks fought right back and took honors in decorations to come within a single point of tying.

The Reds were victors in the novelty race while both teams shared honors in rhythmic, a highlight of the evening.

The judges awarded modern exercises and band to the Black Team as they tied up the score.

But the Reds were not to be denied their first win in three years, taking both the songs and cheers and obstacle race to capture the five-night show.

Judging the competitive events Friday evening were Miss Rae Risenberg, superintendent of Upper Darby Elementary School; Miss S. Howell Middleton, of Up-

per Darby High School; Matthew Curtis of Palmyra High School; art judge, Mrs. Dorothy W. Blair of Swadesboro; and music judge, John H. Jenny, director of the Diamond Band, Temple University.

A wild celebration followed the Red win. Lifting its captain, Miss Mardalee Wright to their shoulders, a band of Red followers, jubilantly shouted victory cries.

A sad, but game Black Team watched the proceedings from its side of the THS court. Many tears ran down young cheeks as the 19th annual Sports Nite show came to a close.

Tomorrow, on the lawn in front of the High School, the Red flag will be hoisted by Miss Wright as a symbol of sports leadership for this year.



To The Victor Goes The Honor And Glory—



The flag of the victorious Red Team in the annual Girls Sport Nite at Trenton High School was raised at ceremonies this morning at the flagpole in front of the main entrance.

Members of both teams stood in the background as the principals participated in the last official act of the 19th annual competition. In the group are (left to right) Albert Wenzel,

acting school principal; Miss Elaine Nochumson, mistress of ceremonies; Miss Mardalee Wright, Red Team captain and Miss Gloria Barbiero, Black Team captain.

Trenton Times, March 23, 1953

Letters To The Editor THS Chorus Will Sing For Kiwanis

Credits Boys, Too

Sir — I recently attended the Sports Nite at Trenton High School. I have seen many stage shows in New York, and think these kids do better than a lot of professionals.

I admit it is a girls' show and they do a wonderful job; but I think many parents will agree with me that the boys deserve a lot of credit which they do not get.

The boys on props work like mad, and so do the bands. They practice nights and weekends to make this a success.

Here's to more Sports Nites, and a little more credit where credit is due.

Sports Nite Fan.

Trenton Times,
March 31, 1953

The 50-member Trenton Central High School chorus will present a choral program tomorrow at the luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club at the Stacy Trent. It is directed by Harry Mulder.

The chorus, well known for its many local performances, is featured in Central High School's annual operetta and concert as well as the Sports Night program.

The program chairman for tomorrow's meeting is Dr. Richard R. Robinson, assistant superintendent of city schools. President Harry J. Bodine will preside.

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