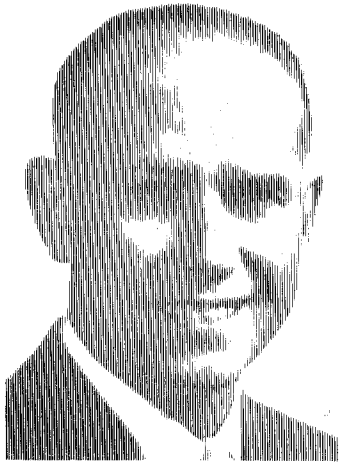


Premiere Tonight "THE DESK SET"



Mr. Gray, Mr. Howser To Retire

Two of Lowrey's teachers who have been here for many years, will not be returning next fall. Mr. Clarence Gray, an industrial teacher, and Mr. Earl Howser, who teaches mathematics, are retiring. In this issue of the Lowrey Light we are featuring Mr. Gray. In the next issue we will feature Mr. Howser.

Mr. Gray has taught at Lowrey for 36 years. Previously he taught one year in West Virginia.

After retiring he plans to take it easy. He and his wife own a cottage in Kalamazoo where they plan to stay for a while. This summer they hope to visit Florida to look around for a home site but they haven't decided whether or not to buy land.

His most outstanding experience during his teaching career at Lowrey is that he came here in 1927 when the building was new. The school included Elementary and Junior High classes. It has gradually enlarged. Mr. Gray commented, "It seems that they have been building this place for 36 years."

When asked if he has enjoyed teaching at Lowrey he replied "Yes, very much or I wouldn't have stayed here."

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Lowrey Plays Its Part In City Beautiful Camp- aign

For the first time, Lowrey is engaged in the Dearborn City Clean-Up, Paint—Up, Fix—Up Campaign. The senior high is working with the junior high in keeping the grounds neat and the hallways clean.

Lowrey's representatives for Junior Dearborn City Beautiful Commissioners are Nancy Poswalk, 11A and Tim Press, also 11A. They ask Lowrey students not to walk across the lawn and not to throw papers in the halls, and to keep the girls' "johns" clean.

This city clean-up campaign started on April 28, and will last until May 18.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer to help make posters for the campaign is to talk to Nancy, Tim or a homeroom representative.

The Dearborn schools will be judged by the Senior Board of Commis- and a campaign of publicity (posters around the school) will do much to enhance Lowrey's chances of winning.

Of the judging, Nancy said, "Just because we are not residents does not mean that we can't win a primarily Dearborn contest."

Are You Invited??

Hollywood recently held her Academy Awards Presentations, and Lowrey's equal is coming up. On Thursday, May 23, Lowrey's annual Activities Banquet, sponsored by the Administration, honoring the students who have contributed much in the way of extra curricular activities to the benefit of the school, will be held.

The Activities Banquet is an annual affair for students in their junior and senior years who have spent at least 30 outside hours, working at their own particular extra curricular activity, such as participating in sports, clubs or being a class officer.

The big event of the evening is the presentation of "Best Player Awards", one for each of the sports at Lowrey. The winners of the awards are not made known until after the dinner. There is much suspense and plenty of action.

Little Theatre Scene Of Broadway Comedy—8:00 Tonight And Tomorrow



Here are three members of "The Desk Set" which will be presented tonight and tomorrow night in the Little Theatre. Shown are Martha Stiles, 12A, Jerry Tripod, 12A, and Anita Day, 10A.

Play Finally Arrives

Tonight is the night that we've all been waiting for, the presentation of the school play. After many long weeks of hard work, the cast is finally ready.

The curiosity of many students had been tantalized by the ingenious publicity stunts for the play. These included unusual posters, banners and 'commercial' that have appeared quite frequently in the morning bulletin.

"The Desk Set" will initiate the new Little Theatre and put into use for the first time all its new and modern equipment.

Along with the architectural change, there are new spotlights, a control board for light, an easier access to the curtain and the new 'green room'.

The 'green room' is a make up and waiting room for the actors. One wall is almost completely mirrors with two sinks to help in the removal of make up.

Featured in the play are:

Martha Stiles
Ron Malinowski
Bob Scheer
Anita Day
Anita Merkle
Rozlyn Reece

Gary Midora
Jerry Tripod
Tim McElmurry
Julie Ciavola
Sharon Horvath

The student directors are Sharyn Thrasher and Lynn Baumgartner with Mr. Meredith serving as commander in chief. Also making the presentation of the play possible through long hours of hard work are the publicity committee headed by Judi James, the stage crew directed by Tom Hieronymos, the light crew headed by Ron Malinowski and the prompters and make up crew.

The scenery is in place, the props ready and waiting, the lights need only to be dimmed and the players are nervously anticipating a large audience that can only be supplied by the student body. There are 385 seats in the Little Theatre and the Thespians hope to see them filled at both performances.

To The Editors

Dear Mr. Editor:

I recently overheard some of my fellow classmen complaining about the Seniors getting more than their share of extra privileges. "The Seniors get to go here," and "the Seniors get to do this" are some of the remarks being made by envious Juniors. This does not go for the majority of the Juniors, however. The majority of the Juniors, in my opinion, have as much if not more, school spirit than any of the other classes at Lowrey. (We even won the "Spirit Jug"!)

It is just a few who choose to complain about the Seniors "getting special privileges", but do "they" do anything about it? Do "they" try to form a committee or get a sponsor for events such as the Seniors have been enjoying? Do "they" put forth a little of their time and effort to get some kind of sponsored even off the ground? No, "they" do not. "They" are merely content to sit back and watch other people do the work and then complain when "they" don't get "special privileges."

The Seniors worked pretty hard getting those activities organized and getting a sponsor so, if the Seniors are getting "special privileges" they deserve them!

Well, Juniors??!

Kitty Erway, 11A

Teenagers: Check Your Driving

The following information was taken from the weekly magazine, Parade. We think it is important and deserves your attention.

"Approximately 38,000 persons in this country are killed annually in car accidents. Insurance companies point out that the under-twenty driver, totaling less than 8 per cent of all drivers, is involved in more than 11 per cent of these fatalities and 14 per cent of all motor vehicle smashups.

The teenage driver has an accident involvement rate $2\frac{1}{2}$ times the average rate of adult drivers. Two out of every five teenagers are involved in traffic accidents each year.

Collision and liability insurance premiums for male teenagers cost two to three times more than what their parents pay. Each year 3,000,000 teenagers reach driving age and each year their record gets worse.

Highway commissions, insurance companies, police departments can provide the traffic researcher with detailed casualty data: (1) Saturday is the most dangerous; (2) most car accidents occur between the hours of 4 and 8 p. m.; (3) almost 85 per cent of accidents causing death and injury result from excessive speed, driving on the wrong side of the road and failure to yield the right of way; (4) the majority of vehicles involved in accidents are in good conditions.

The accident rate among youthful drivers is more than twice as high as the average adult rate.

The result: death and disaster on the highways. Unless these decrease there may be no alternative but to raise the basic licensing age from 16 to 18, perhaps even 21.

How Are Your Manners

Courtesy is defined in the American college dictionary as "the excellence of manners or behavior." Courtesy is then the respect given a person by others. This respect can be expressed in many ways. It can be expressed through cooperation and consideration and politeness to others. Courtesy is an important part of the behavior of an individual if the individual is courteous he will be socially accepted by others and will remain socially active. Helen A. Burnham, an author, expresses courtesy in this manner: "Courtesy smoothes the way and makes contact with others more pleasant; habits of conducting oneself in an acceptable way are necessary for business and for poise in social affairs."

The origin of courtesy is in the home. Courtesy is taught to the individual while he is still young. Courtesy is an important factor of family life.

Courtesy should not only be practiced in the home it should be practiced anywhere a person comes in contact with other people and especially in school!

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Mr. Gray said: "I don't know that there has been any great change in the present students and those 36 years ago. Kids today are more sophisticated and are more adult in their thinking and acting at an earlier age."

Mr. Gray answered the question of how he felt about his retirement, "I am glad that I am eligible for retirement, but you can't work at a place for 36 years without missing it. I'm going to miss it a lot. I have known many nice people, nice teachers and kids, and there are a lot of nice kids."

Senior Honored With Publication Of Poem

Recently George Woodrow, 12A, received a letter from the University of Detroit informing him that his poem, "Song of the Condemned", has been accepted for publication.

He submitted the poem to the Young Horizons Magazine through Mrs. Hoefenbacher last October when the University of Detroit announced that they were open for submission to their yearly publication.

The poem, consisting of four stanzas, deals with the condemnation of mankind.

Song of the Condemned

by

George Woodrow

This is the song of forgotten men; of spirits broken beyond repair.
This is the chant that heralds death and signifies despair.
It is sung by a choir of voices cracked from many shrieks and wails of blackest sorrow,
To the tune of terrible misfortune and the rhythm of a swinging gibbet or a fading heart.
It is not a joyful song.

I look into the fire yet I see nothing; nothing but a dull gray glow.
I hear them speak, but their voices are hollow and what they say is noise.
And I feel my heart beating in my breast, but its time is poor and irregular.
A dismal monument to constancy.
The little reason left within me says the end is near.

I try to find my fear, but it has left me; left me for a man with hope.
I fear not death nor its beacon that men follow to heaven or to hell.
But I feel grim death tugging at life's thread and to make it cease is impossible,
A labor far beyond the strength of giants.
The precious time that fleets so quickly bids me be content.

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George expressed his feelings about having his poem accepted, "I feel wonderful. I was as surprised as any one could be. I had no idea that I would be accepted." He said that this has been a great inspiration to him and he plans to submit other poems to the Young Horizons. He also hopes to do a lot of poetic writing at Wayne State University which he will attend in the fall.

On Saturday, May 4, a luncheon will be given in the Student Union Building at the University of Detroit, where all the young authors will receive recognition for their work.

We are all proud of George and wish to take this opportunity to extend our congratulations.

Bible Club Schedule Staff Box

Lowreys' Bible Club schedule for the month of May is as follows:

May 7—Pastor Dow will talk on the Book of Acts.

May 14—The members of the Bible Club will give oral reports on Men in the Book of Acts.

May 21—The members of the Bible Club will discuss the past meetings.

May 28—The Bible Club will plan next month's program.

Lowreys' Bible Club welcomes everyone to its meetings. The meetings are every Tuesday after school in Mrs. Fogles' room.

Editors—

Lynn Baumgartner, Kathy Dearvong, John Mihalko, Mary Thompson

Reporters—

Robert Brill, Sharon Forsman, Kitty Erway, Nancy Greer, Judy James, Robert Johnson, Harold Kinzer, Elaine Kidd, Margaret Kleiber, Kathy Linehan, Janet Long, Marlene Meltzer, Sharon Nisse, Philip Potter, Susan Renaud, Judy Schimmick, Judy Vockler, Martha Webb.

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A Day In The Navy

"Your Diploma Puts Everybody Ahead, Stay in School." This quotation is used by the U. S. Navy and its meaning was conveyed to Journalist Jack Mihalko, along with thirty-three other male journalists from Dearborn and Detroit schools, as they attended "A Day in the Navy" program on April 20, at Grosse Ile, Michigan.

Featured in the program was a trip up the Detroit River to Grosse Ile on the U. S. S. Amherst and a flight in a U. S. Navy transport plane over the Detroit metropolitan area. In addition to these the boys were also given a guided tour of the base to see Navy life first hand.

Interesting lectures and movies were presented to the boys telling them of the basic opportunities and functions of the Navy. During one of the lectures it was brought out that manpower is the lifeblood of the U. S. Navy, and it likes to draw its blood from the students in school who are receiving a well rounded education.

The program was sponsored by the Naval Reserve Public Relations Company of Detroit. The reserves, whose members are referred to as "Weekend Warriors", offer an excellent program to the high school graduate who is employed and would like to fulfill his military obligations at the same time. For the college bound student, there is the Naval Reserve Officer Candidate (NROC) in which a student may fulfill his obligations while attending school. The boys also were informed of the programs offered by the Army and Marine Corps, as they heard from military representatives from these branches of the armed forces.

It proved to be an interesting and rewarding experience to Jack who commented, "I did not realize the many benefits and opportunities offered by the U. S. Navy to the high school graduate and college bound student. I consider myself very fortunate to have been able to be a part of the Navy team even though it was only for one day. It was an experience I will never forget, for it gave me an opportunity to see Navy life as it really is."

Cigars and Candy

The Lowrey Light and its staff would like to extend its congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Currie on the recent birth of their daughter.



Mr. Keranen, Lowrey's Senior high music man, is very busy throughout the school day, teaching five band classes, and in his spare time he is tooting on his trumpet himself.

Mr. Keranen attended Mass High School in the Upper Peninsula in Michigan. He went to Northern Michigan University and received his bachelors degree in music. He then received his Masters of Music degree when he attended the University of Michigan.

He was in the army for two years and played the French horn in the army band.

Mr. Keranen didn't become interested in music until his senior year in school when he started playing the trumpet. He was very interested in sports, and he played basketball, baseball, and track.

Mr. Keranen has taught for nine years. He taught in Michigan's upper peninsula for 4 years, then he came to Lowrey five years ago.

His family consists of his wife and a two-year old boy and a three months old girl.

Mr. Keranen's hobbies include record collecting and working with wood. He likes all types of music but mainly classical. He plays in a dance orchestra which is called the "True Tones." They mainly play for weddings.

He stated that teaching music here is a real challenge because, most of the students who come to Lowrey don't have much musical background. He also thinks that the students have a great deal of interest in music, and are appreciative of the opportunity they have in learning to play an instrument and getting to know more about music.

Student Teacher: Remember When

Meet Mr. Stone

For the next few weeks a student teacher, Mr. Merle Stone, will assist Mr. Newton with his classes.

Mr. Stone is now attending Central Michigan University. His major is in history and his minors are in political science and psychology. In the past he has attended Wayne State University and Los Angeles College.

The student teacher has been accepted at Arizona State where he will enroll in Graduate school to work for his Masters degree. He has not yet decided whether he will go on to work for his Doctors degree. He is preparing to teach history, preferably European history.

Mr. Stone is interested in sports such as handball and basketball. He enjoys the theater and singing. He is a member of the choir at Central Michigan and also his church choir.

Mr. Stone commented on the school, "I like it very much. The kids are wonderful in the way they have treated me. They are very responsive and helpful."

Vitality, Enthusiasm Pep; Cheerleaders Ranks Now Hep

After two weeks of hard work, three regular cheerleaders and two alternates were chosen by Mrs. McGill, Miss Vance, Miss Stevens and the present cheerleaders.

The previous week semifinalists were chosen. These girls were then given the opportunity to work in smaller groups in order to perfect themselves and their cheers.

The finalists were:

1. Sharon Char
2. Donna Daley
3. Raymonde Egli
4. Coleen Mack
5. Priscilla McElmurry
6. Cathy Grebeck
7. Pat Moore
8. Chris Hines
9. Gwen Snow
10. Priscilla Ranke
11. Jean Sawicki
12. Sharon Horvath
13. Cynthia Ganski
14. Geri Knovak
15. Jeri Lahr

These semi-finalists were eliminated to 5 girls, 3 regulars and 2 al-

Judy Vockler was the Good Fairy in Pinnocchio in the 6th grade?

Kathy Dearvang won a safety poster contest?

Mary Thompson was in a jack contest in the 6th grade?

Kitty Erway was Tinkerbell in the 3rd grade?

Bob Orrys came to school with a hole in his sock and mended it with a wad of gum?

Linda Sevenser was on the old TV show, Tom, Tom Matinee?

Larry Bohner made a dog food sandwich for Gordie Naumoff—and he ATE it!

Lynn Baumgartner won 3rd place in a city marble contest?

Mike Shuipis won a school marble contest in the 3rd grade?

Frank Feldt was a germ in a play in the 3rd grade?

Dan Sullivan was Hal Starch, the M.C. of the Storybook Quiz in the 6th grade?

Michelle McCarthy, Carol Galdes, and Sharon Wilkie portrayed Betsy, Tacy, and Tibs in the Storybook Quiz?

Tom Hieronymus was the Littlest Angel in the 5th grade?

Judy Schimmick was a Leprechaun for a St. Patricks Day play?

Rick Spenser was a tree in a play in the 2nd grade?

Anita Merkle was a dancing Christmas tree in the 5th grade?

Barbara Bruder sang at the theater in Greenfield Village in the 7th grade?

Charlotte Spiter played Santa Clause in the 7th grade?

John Roche played the flute in a talent contest in the 6th grade?

ternates. The regular cheerleaders are Raymonde Egli, 11A-3, Sharon Char, 10A-2, and Jean Sawicki, 10A-8. The alternates are Coleen Mack, 10, and Pat Moore, 11A-5.

The girls were judged on 7 points: (1) Those girls that were chosen must live up to the cheerleaders code. This consists of no smoking in uniform, no drinking at any time and no swearing. The girls must wear Moderate hair-dos and make-up and they must wear red lipstick while cheering.

They were also judged on:

2. Ability and execution
3. Stunts such as jumps
4. Synchronization
5. Enthusiasm as shown by voice, pep, and facial expressions.
6. Average appearance
7. Scholastic achievement. They must maintain a C+ average.

The girls learned two cheers "3 Big Fights" and "Team Fight". The girls then had to make up a cheer of their own. They could use either the actions or the words of an old cheer but not both.

Homemakers Aid Children

Mrs. Dotson and her fourth hour homemaking class aided the small orthopedic and special education children in preparing for Easter by providing them with chocolate candy nests, coloring Easter eggs, and helping them make paper Easter baskets. The girls made the chocolate nests out of cereal and filled them with jelly-beans to represent eggs.

This is the first time the homemaking class has tried to help the children and the results were very successful, for the children enjoyed it very much.

Girl participating in helping the children were: Karen Blanchard, Linda Burkeen, Diane Cook, Pam Falke, Janice Gerstler, Linda King, Arleen Lukaschewski, Judy Meadows, Dot Peters, Betty Potter, Lorraine Samples, Judy Schmmick, and Linda Wroubel.

Track Team Loses

Lowrey's track record as of April 26, is 2 wins and 4 losses. Lowrey has had only one League meet. The meet was at Willow Run and Lowrey lost to them by the score of 77 to 32.

The following people have placed in one of the six meets:

Shot Put: Jim Hribal, Dave Carter, Ron Machnee.

Pole Vault: Phil Griglio, Dan Lukachewski.

High Hurdles: Dale Ferriby, Bruce Mertz, and Ed Keeton.

440 Yard Run: Harry Sawicki.

High Jump: Ron Wright.

Broad Jump: Bradley St. Andrew.

100 Yard Dash: Bradley St. Andrew.

880 Yard Run: Doug Rauner, Harold Kinzer, Steve Kornblum, and Phil Griglio.

Low Hurdles: Bruce Mertz, Dale Ferriby, Ron Nesbitt.

Mile Run: Paul Zwarka, Ed Jamieson, John Deegan, Doug Rauner.

220 Yard Dash: Bradley St. Andrew.

We have also two relay teams which have 4 runners on each. In the mile relay each runner goes one quarter mile. In the 880 relay each runner goes one eighth of a mile.

Mile Relay: Harry Sawicki, Harold Kinzer, Phil Griglio, Doug Rauner.

880 Relay: Dale Ferriby, Bruce Mertz, Mark Schalte, Bradley St. Andrew.

Lowrey "9" Starts Slow

Lowrey's varsity baseball team has had a bad start this season, losing 5 out of the first five games. Only one of these games was a league game. Coach Rigotti stated, "We should do better later on in the league; Hamtramck will be the team to beat".

Lowrey's baseball team consists of:

Dave Bogatay—11A

Richard Cervi—12A

Doug Cole—10A

Don Demayo—11A

Bob Ferguson—11A

Jum Furtak—11A

Marty Hotvedt—12A

Ron Kubisiak—11A

Steve Seaton—12A

Dennis Michels—11A

Don Niemiec—11A

Leroy Paryaski—11A

Gary Poole—10A

Bob Ritz—11A

Ron Tackas—10A

Bob Trednicki—11A

Mal Vaughn—12A

Tom Worden—12A

Reserves Beat Cherry Hill

Lowrey's reserve baseball team defeated Cherry Hill 6-1 at Cherry Hill, Wednesday, April 24. This evened the reserve's record 2-2.

Mike Bernard, 10A, pitched the first 5 innings and was the winning pitcher. George Zollor, 10A, made 4 hits out of 4 times at bat. Jerry Wood, 10A, chipped in with a long triple.

A comment from Coach Lowrey was: "The boys played a good game and I hope they will continue to put forth a good effort until the end of the season."

Netters Roll On

The varsity tennis team won their fourth straight game of the season, without a defeat, against Melvindale on April 24, by the score of 6-1.

The singles were won by Dan Good 6-8, 6-4, 6-0; Bill Spencer 6-2, 7-5; and Scotty Saxon 2-6, 6-1, 6-0. The one loss was played by Corky Hall who lost his match 0-6, 1-6.

The doubles won their three matches without a loss. Bob Johnson and Louis Bodo won their match 6-4, 6-1, Paul Ray and Larry Kubicz won 6-4, 9-7, and Buzz McCall and John Ruggerio won their match 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.

So far this year the tennis team has had all of their games away. There will be six home games which the team hopes the students will attend.



Sports Spotlight

Paul Zwarka, 11A-11, who hails from District 7, is the object of this issues sports spotlight.

Paul, who holds the school record for cross-country running, has also lettered in swimming and track. This track season he has come within a few seconds of breaking the school record for the mile.

Paul's hobbies include swimming, running, horseback riding and archery. He has won numerous awards while competing in archery tournaments.

After graduating he is planning on attending Eastern Michigan University, majoring in biology and physical education. Paul maintains a C+ average and is a college prep course.

When asked how he felt Lowrey's sports program could be improved, he stated, "We could do much better in all of our sports if we held year-round practice, instead of just seasonal practice. We also need to start training the boys while they are still in junior high, so the quality of our teams can be improved."

Tennis Anyone?

Lowrey's varsity tennis team won their third straight match on Thursday, April 11, to Southgate by the score of 7-0.

The doubles matches were won by Bob Johnson—Lewis Bodo 6-3 6-3; Paul Ray—Larry Kubicz 6-2 8-6; and Buzz McCall—John Ruggerio 6-1 6-3. The singles were taken by Corky Hall 7-5 9-7; Dan Good 6-4 6-1; Bill Spencer 6-8 6-4 6-3; and Scott Saxon 6-1 6-4.

Coach Martin stated that the team is doing very well so far, but could improve.

Spring Concert News

WHO—You

WHAT—are invited to attend the Lowrey Annual Spring Concert

WHERE—to be given in the boy's gym

WHEN—on Friday, May 10, 7:30

WHY—presented for your fine entertainment

HOW—by the Lowrey High School Band and Chorus

Band Presents Concert

The Lowrey High School Concert Band, under the direction of Maestro Keranen, and the high school majorettes presented a program to the entire high school student body on Tuesday, April 9, in the Little Theater.

Gary Midora, introduced the numbers which included one done by student director Feryl Waldenmyer.

The band played a variety of music which ranged from concert compositions to dixie-land presented by a group of soloists. They were, trumpet—Steve Kornblum, clarinet Lewis Bodo, trombone—Lee Camp-ham. The entire band deserves recognition for the fine job they did on Meredith Wilson's "Music Man".

The concert closed with a delightful number entitled "Rock Around the Clock" which was presented by the majorettes, Kathy Calvin, Carol Toth, Dorothy Calvin, Kitty Rafferty, Beckv Dagenharte, Dorothy Dudek, and Diane Houle. This number made such a hit with the students that the majorettes had to make an encore.

Showing from the enthusiasm and applause given by the students they would probably like to see more concerts presented.

Track Takes On New Shape

Today, physical fitness is a important part in our lives. President Kennedy urges people in the United States to keep in shape. At Lowrey, Miss Vances' and Mrs. Mc.Gill gym classes are getting into the spirit too. Miss Vance and Mrs. Mc.Gill are going to take their gym classes outside and do the following:

(A) Jump high hurdles made of yarn.

(B) Run and broad jump.

(C) Throw soft ball for distance.

(D) Run baton relays.

Miss Vance and Mrs. Mc.Gill have already started their classes on the 50 to 100 yard dash.

Southgate Nips Reserve

Lowrey's Reserve Baseball team dropped their third game of the season to Southgate at Southgate 2-1.

Coach Lowrey said that, "It was a well played game and the fielding and pitching were quite good.

We were disappointed in losing but the boys did not get enough hits and runs to win the game."