

# Carry On, Sophomores!

Yes, sophomores can do anything, especially when they outnumber seniors with five returning sophomores compared to one returning senior. "They've been the nucleus of the team," admitted Steve Mills, senior. The sophomores' stats prove Mills's point. Willie Bywater's batting average exceeded that of any other team member. Charlie Howes proved to be an asset to both the pitchers' bullpen and the infield, besides slamming out some big hits. Brian Gavenda worked his way up to a starting pitcher. Kevin Palmatier and Jimmy Stehlik worked hard in the infield and outfield. Besides the sophomores' strength, the team had

many strong points. They hit well and most of the time remained "field-wise." However, Coach Hornak said they had no natural pitchers; the team had to start over and find new pitchers. The new pitchers started out slow and gradually improved through the season.

This year's team may not have taken the league championship or won many games, but they have worked hard. Most importantly, they had fun doing it.

PREPARING TO SWING, Steve Mills grips the bat as his teammates watch from the new dugouts. The dugouts were a project of the Sports Boosters, who built dugouts for both girls' and boys' teams.



ROUNDING THIRD BASE, Kevin Palmatier strides to reach home plate before the ball reaches the infield in the game against St. Louis.

