

Tennis Team

Stings the Nets

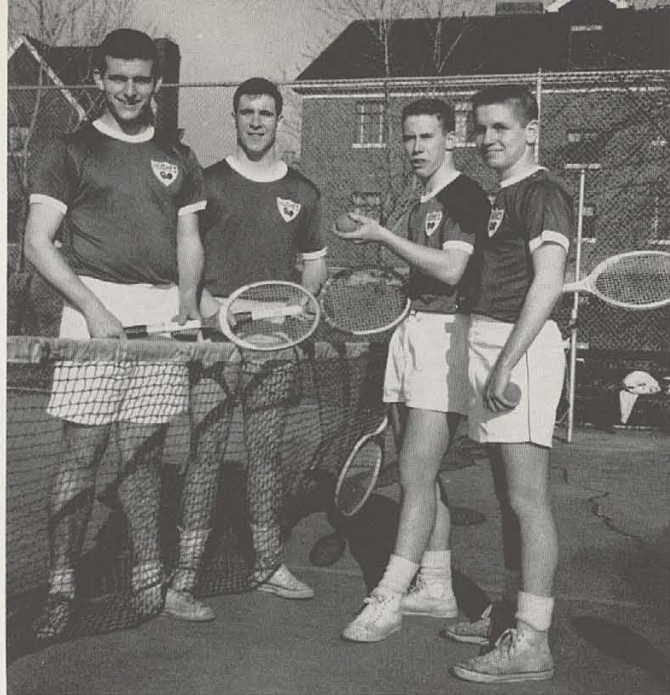
The 1959 edition of Coach Howard Grimes' tennis team is certain of improving on last year's mediocre mark, as Captain Jim Daken, first singles, Steve Ranker, third singles, and Link Brooks and Ed Weber, first doubles, are all returning lettermen. The Hughestowners will also be bolstered by the addition of sophomore sensation Russ Smith, second singles, and the return of Bob Bibee, Jonathan Siehl, Fred Wiggers, Rich Sprang, and Al Hohman.

For the new campaign, Coach Grimes has placed greater emphasis on conditioning, as each practice session is begun with callisthenics and running. During the first few weeks of practice, Coach Grimes has had the boys stroking the ball against the partition in the gym in order that the netmen might gain momentum.

The "59" Hughestowners can be seen proudly wearing new uniforms, which consist of red jerseys with white tennis emblems over the left pocket.

In looking ahead to this year's P.H.S.L. race, Coach Grimes anticipates stiff competition from Withrow and Walnut Hills. This year's schedule includes twelve matches.

Left to Right, Sitting: Russ Smith. FIRST ROW: Ed Weber, Fred Wiggers, Bob Bibee. SECOND ROW: Steve Ranker, Link Brooks, Jim Daken.



Netmen Jim Daken, Steve Ranker, Ed Weber, and Russ Smith pause before a doubles match.

In 1958, the racket squad fought diligently despite inadequate practice facilities and compiled the following record:

1958 TENNIS SEASON

Hughes	1;	Woodward	2
Hughes	0;	Walnut Hills	5
Hughes	1;	Covington	4
Hughes	0;	Withrow	5
Hughes	1;	Bellevue	4
Hughes	2;	Western Hills	3
Hughes	2;	Wyoming	3
Hughes	1;	Walnut Hills	4
Hughes	5;	Newport Public	0
Hughes	2;	Purcell	3
Hughes	2;	Woodward	3
Hughes	1;	Western Hills	4
Hughes	1;	Withrow	4

1959 TENNIS SCHEDULE

March 19	Withrow
March 24	Western Hills
April 2	at Walnut Hills
April 6	Covington Holmes
April 8	Bellevue
April 10	St. Xavier
April 14	at Wyoming
April 16	Woodward
April 21	Purcell at Oakley
April 23	at Withrow
April 28	at Woodward
May 7	Walnut Hills
May 8, 9, 11, 12	District Tournament at Wyoming
May 13-15, 18-20	at Hyde Park