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## Meong, Andrea In A.F.S., Y.F.U.

Presently at Blackford, we are fortunate in welcoming Andrea Reischies, one of two foreign exchange students. Andrea is here from Hannover, Germany, which is in the northern part of the country, about two hours south of Hamburg. She is here via the Youth for Understanding program and resides at 1196 Happy Valley Ave-

nue, in the home of William E. Firth and his family.

Being here only since the first of September, she finds the climate pleasant and the people very friendly. She hopes to have a successful year at Blackford. And although the school system is much different she finds her classes pleasurable.

Me-wong from Singapore, and Youth for Understanding student also, lives in Singapore, which is very much like San Francisco, except that it rains every other day, and you can get everything at one third the original price. He is staying with senior Bill Stobbe and his family.

The schools in Singapore are three stories high, and Me-Wong says that he gets less homework here, but that it's a lot harder.

Me-wong likes our school very much, and the cool weather we have, since it is very warm in Singapore.



Me-wong in the library



Student Council discussing constitution

## Student Council Amends Laws

ring and key time for upperclassmen

Class presidents will be able to participate in Student Council meetings under a new Constitutional ruling. The Constitution has been rewritten and the Council has approved it. Councilmen Brian Kumara concluded, "The Constitution is one hundred percent better since it has been rewritten."

The Council met on October 10 and approved the meeting with reference to Student Body Sales. Almost two thousand dollars is needed and the Council hopes to raise the remaining money with a dance on November 23.

Another subject the Council was concerned over was lights for the football field. It is district policy that the oldest schools receive lights first. So far Campbell hasn't received any, so the lights for Blackford are a long way off. Also, the district feels night games interfere with the students' studies.

The Council invites any interested students to participate in Council meetings.

**NATIONAL NEWSPAPER WEEK**  
OCT. 9-15, 1966



## Exchange Students Return And Tell About Germany

"I want to return soon to see the rest of Germany and to learn to speak German like a native," was the comment from Blackford senior, Robin Thayer. She and Jan Stockard were the two Blackford students selected to spend the summer in Germany, via the Youth for Understanding Program.

Both girls lived in Hamburg, but Jan's family owned a summer house on the Baltic Sea and spent some time there.

Jan stayed with Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Stehn, daughter Angelika, and son Hartwig, both older than she.

Robin spent the summer with

the Von Bréyman family, and had a brother and two sisters. One day at school, Robin and her 19-year-old sister Sylvia became so hungry that they cut their last class and left for dinner. This was possible without punishment because attendance in German schools is not as strict as it is here. Deans aren't used, roll isn't taken, and a "late slip" is non-existent.

Both girls noticed differences in the schools. A few of these are:

The students that stay in school beyond the sixth grade are the more intelligent ones, those willing to cooperate and study. The others leave school and learn a trade.

The sports program in the schools would be strange to most Americans. The teacher announces which sport is to be played that day, and each day is different.

The girl's gym clothes are very different, and the girls play such sports as soccer wearing maroon leotards!

A seemingly insignificant difference in the two countries, yet one that Jan mentioned she greatly missed, was the lack of public drinking fountains.

Never do you see an embrace used as a greeting there, but rather a handshake.



Jan Stockard and Robin Thayer

Senior Keys represent the challenges that have been met and achievements attained by the senior class.

The '66-67 Senior Key is made of 24-carat gold and contains Blackford's colors and letter crest. The key is fitted to a key ring, a gold chain, or by itself. October 10 was the deadline the keys could be ordered, but similar class keys will be supplied free at the end of the year.

The Blackford Braves received their class rings, Thursday, October 13. This year, the rings are oval and come in various sizes. The students chose between black onyx, white mother of pearl, blue sapphire, ruby red, and all gold for their settings. The rings came with either gold or silver bands. Also available for the girls, were dainty princess rings and gold necklaces.

### Mr. Harris Inventor

The Blackford Braves have a lot to show off their feathers about. Mr. Thomas Harris, arts and crafts teacher, has created an innovation in art that has revolutionized the world of stained glass.

Mr. Harris, through patient effort and deep sincerity, has produced a method of making artificial stained glass.

It is an amazingly simple and inexpensive process that produces very realistic looking, simulated stained glass.

Unfortunately, Mr. Harris did not apply for a patent. Consequently, many manufacturers have borrowed Mr. Harris' idea and now enjoy wide distribution of kits simulating stained glass.

Mr. Harris stated that he may incorporate teaching this process to one of his arts and crafts classes in the hopes of reviving interest in the field of artificial stained glass.

# INDIVIDUALITY

By David Eastman

"The shot heard round the world" almost two hundred years ago has echoed into the Twentieth Century. The "shot" has come in the form of a teenage fad which has swept across the country faster than the ringing of freedom in 1776. English fashions and hairstyles have formed the American teen-age style so much in the last few years, that the American teen-ager has misplaced his own original style.

The American style has lost its way in a maze of bell-bottom checked pants, high-heeled boots, and long curly hair.

**Individualism Disappearing**  
For decades Americans set the teen-age styles but because he's adopting English "mod" styles, now he is losing his most unique asset, that of being the most individualistic teen-ager in the world. The American teen-ager has gained this status because he styles his own clothes and talks and wears his hair as he pleases. Yes, there were long-haired Americans before the British look took over, but these were beatniks or non-conformists. Now teen-agers look like either beatniks or non-conformists or British teen-agers; no one looks American.

The American teen-ager has introduced his own language in the form of slang and fast talk. But, as the American teen-ager grew his hair long to conform to English styles, the time could come when he'll also drop his way of speaking for the English way and will consequently lose his own unique language.

The American has formed fashion to the point that clothes manufacturers have decided whether the teen-ager will like their clothes before they go ahead and make them. But the American teen-ager is such a conformer, that the manufacturers are making American clothes on the basis of what's "in".

The American has lost the distinction of being the most individualistic teen-ager in the world. He lost it the moment the English singing groups set foot on American soil.

## Chest Wigs New Fashion

**For Sale:** "Chest Hair Wigs-Guaranteed not to peel in salt water-your money back if the wig doesn't make you look more 'masculine'." Malibu, California. This sign may seem funny, but in an odd way wigs solve many of the problems that plague men and women.

It has become quite fashionable-among the ladies-to cover up greying or thinning hair with colored wigs. If a woman has short hair, she may utilize a "switch" which makes the normal hair seem longer. Then there are women who wear wigs to see if other women can guess they are wearing one.

Men are also wearing wigs to cover their baldness or toupees to accompany partial amounts of hair.

Chest hair wigs and similar wigs may be high fashion some day.

By Misty Grimm

Americans have never been style setters! It's always been, "what's happening in Paris..." The general populace has always gone along with the trends. However, young adults are being condemned for their new look in fashions. Today, a rain of disgusted cries from irate parents concerning long hair and the "English look" seems to fill the air.

There is a definite need for a break away from conventional, average, non-existing clothes, and that's what's happening, and it's about time.

The younger generation is looking for a new identity. In the mod look we find long hair, stripes, dots, and paisley. The original mod look is well styled, neatly kept longish hair and finely tailored clothing. These clothes were designed to destroy the class system established through dressing standards in England. However, the "English mod" and the "American mod" are greatly different.

The best way to see the true English mod look is to go to England or read the article in *Gentleman's Quarterly* regarding the mod look '66. continued on page 3



## Make Your Own Image

By Miss Bennett

Teenagers are frequently concerned about the label applied to all because of the actions of a few. To some uninformed adults, all teenagers are "delinquents." Juvenile delinquency is recognized as one of our major social problems. These statistics are based on police records.

Delinquency is defined as any violation of a law or ordinance or behavior which indicates delinquent tendencies, such as truancy.

Teenagers must recognize that this definition includes drinking. Current publicity on drugs should not shield drinking as perhaps the most extensive form of delinquent behavior. Shoplifting is another example of what they engage in for "fun."

Teenagers concerned about their image should consider two positive approaches. (1) Personal development of self-control, self-responsibility for actions, and social responsibility. (2) Participation in use-

ful activities. School clubs, church youth groups, and community recreation or service organizations are examples. The beginning of a school year is an excellent time to give consideration to a personal commitment along these lines.

## New Tools In Auto Lab

"The boys will be ready for the Trouble Shooting Contest this year," stated Mr. Lowell Like, Blackford's Auto Lab teacher.

The auto laboratory is the most advanced in the district, and this year features \$3,000 worth of new equipment, including: a cylinder hone press, and an air lift. Along with the tools are a few new engines including a 289 cubic inch Ford, a Pontiac Straight Eight, a Jeep four cylinder and a Cadillac Tank. These engines will be re-built by the students and allowed to be run in the shop by the way of the under-ground exhaust system.

Mr. Like teaches four beginning classes and two advanced classes, consisting of boys from Del Mar, Campbell, and Westmont, as well as Blackford.

With the knowledge and skill the Auto Lab II students have, Blackford is sure to do a good job in the Trouble Shooting Contest in which the object is to remove all the hidden "bugs" from a '67 Plymouth.

## Blackford Enrollment Surpasses 2,000 Mark for '66-'67 Session

Blackford's student enrollment is 2,004 for the '66-'67 school year. Second only to Leigh in the Campbell District, Blackford's enrollment is above four other district high schools.

The latest enrollment figures from the superintendent's office for the six district schools are: Leigh, 2554; Blackford, 2004; Westmont, 1973; Camden, 1723; Del Mar, 1687; and Campbell, 1659.

## FORMER BLACKFORD STUDENT DIES WHILE SERVING COUNTRY

Randall Lake Sr., a former Blackford student, died September 20 of malaria in Subic Bay Hospital in the Philippines, six days after being sent there from the fighting zone. Randy resided with his family at 4137 Lemoyne Way. Enlisting on October 4, 1964, Randy was first stationed at Whidbey Island, Washington, Randy, a member of the 26th Marine Regiment in Viet Nam, was head radio man and accredited with three major battle campaigns. The 19-year-old lance corporal is survived by his wife, Kathy Lake, and his son, Randall Lake Jr. Full military honors were held at his funeral on September 30 in the veterans' section of Oak Hill Memorial Park.

## Eating Costs Rising, 2 Lunch Alternatives

The state legislature recently presented all school districts in California with two alternatives. One: if the districts desired to stay on the federally sponsored lunch program, they would have to give up the present snack bar system and dispensing machines, putting all food service under the direction of the cafeteria. Two: the district could serve food a la carte, and be allowed to continue having the snack bar at their disposal.

The fact that surplus food is now sent abroad and not to the schools, influenced our district principals in their decision for a la carte.

The reason for a price increase in cafeteria food is that the school must now purchase all their food at retail prices in order to come out even.

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ad lib

Are you tired of having the same old fears? Wouldn't you like some fresh anxieties to fret over? Well, be of good faith. The possibilities are endless.

Medical dictionaries now list some 300 or more specific fears, and the list is growing. Everyone of you have probably had at least one of these fears all along and never knew it.

If you hate being alone, you have got monophobia; if you can't stand crowds, you're a victim of ocltophobia--and probably also apephobia, the fear of physical contact.

Old maids who can't stand men, dogs, or marriage are triply afflicted with androphobia, cynophobia, and gamophobia.

If you're looking for some that are rather unique and different, you might try:

- 1) Dipsophobia--fear of liquor.
- 2) Chrematophobia--fear of money
- 3) Chionophobia--fear of snow.
- 4) Aulophobia--fear of hearing flures.
- 5) Taenitophobia--fear that you are harboring a tapeworm.
- 6) Linonophobia--fear of string.
- 7) Phronemophobia--fear of thinking.
- 8) Autophobia--fear of yourself.

If you can't make up your mind about which one of these to be afraid of, you might try pantophobia. That means fear of everything.

## Blackford at Leigh Today 3:00

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This is a necessary part of the wonderful revolutionary movement of the modern young adult of today.

The dressing trends are an individual way of expressing an outlook that so called "mods" hold for society.

# Nineteen New Teachers Join Blackford's '66-'67 Faculty

This year, Blackford welcomes 19 new teachers to its staff. Entering as the two new foreign language teachers are; Sandra Briggs teaching Spanish one and two and Nancy Cooke teaching French one and two. Moving to the English department we would like to welcome five new teachers; Garry Lee Cunningham Kaye Graham, Carol Long, Marjorie Moore, and Mary Uhl. Two versatile teachers are Bernard McGuire and Martha Winslow, both teach math and science courses. James Dyer and Ronald Evans are teaching world civilization classes for their first year at Blackford.

The industrial arts department acqutred Mr. Ernest Farlas for architectural and mech-

anical drawing. Also in this department is Mervin Yue teaching General Metals. David Johnson and Terry Stoger both teach Boys' P.E. and sophomore science. Other teachers include Marilyn Poncey teaching typing, Maureen DeCarll with home economics, and Judith Lozano teaching art. Also Ronald Dunton returning from student teaching last year to teach biology.

We, on the Lance staff, wish to extend a warm welcome to all these new teachers.

# P.T.A. Drive Gets Started

This year's P.T.A. membership campaign, headed by Mr. Al Worrell, is what the coach hopes to be "the best drive ever."

"With the deadline set at Dec. 1, every class has time to organize a strong drive, he said. Listings of each class' progress will be posted in the cafeteria. The class with 1-25% will receive \$10; 26-50%, \$25; 51-75%, \$50; 76-99%, \$75; 100%, \$100. The winning class will receive double the amount which it has earned. Students are urged to get envelopes, fill them out, and give them to their administrative class for credit.

## Yearbook Staff Starts Work

Under the direction of Mrs. Shahan and Mrs. Alexander, the yearbook staff has begun another year of hard work. The staff had its first meeting during the summer at the home of their advisor.

The editor and co-editor are Bob Grant and Debby Graff, respectively. Other members of the staff are Nancy Butler, Leslie Caton, Wayne Coats, Jan Grayson, Martha Griffin, Carl Hanson, Marle Nelson, Bonnie Summers, Chris Tullafson, Richard Webb, Chris Webster, Gayle Wessels, and Doug Zody. Debby, Leslie, Martha, and Carl are returning for a second year.

Says editor, Bob Grant, "With the new and promising ideas being presented by the SAGA staff, I do believe we will produce a yearbook that will be both enjoyed and remembered by the student body of the 1966-67 school year."

## Teams Teach U.S. Classes

In order to strive for individual attention in social studies, Blackford has adopted a new team teaching program this year. Instead of teachers lecturing alternately to one large group, students this year are divided into three smaller groups. Once a week the classes meet together for lectures. The rest of the week is devoted to small group discussions. Although not as much material is covered, the hope is that the students get a more thorough understanding of the subject. Teaching government are Messrs. Harry Hall, Lee Glandon William Nelson and Miss Evelyn Dravecky. The students in United States History are under the tutelage of Messrs. Jacques Coudeyre, James Hunt, Peter Papworth, and Lanny Dragon.

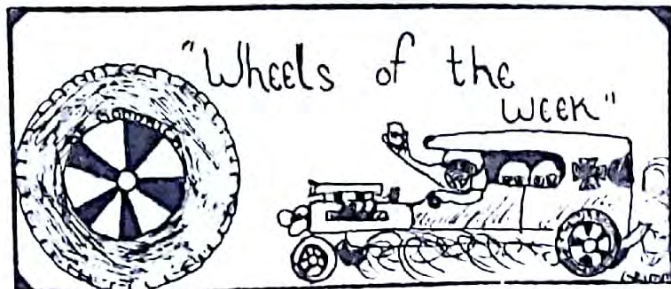
## Deadline Dates Set For College Bound

Attention! seniors who are planning to go to college, either a California university, private college, or a junior college. Here are some of the opening and closing dates for the three types of schools in California.

University of California applications open October 1. Private colleges accept them any time and junior colleges opened last year, May 1. This year's materials will be sent out.

Closing dates vary, but most universities and colleges close March 1 or April 1. School authorities say it is best to get your application in before these dates.

Any specific questions on the college of your choice can be directed to the senior counselor, Mr. Sid Horrigan.



Bob Race's 1966 Dodge Coronet 500 has been chosen for Blackford's 1st Wheels of the Week.

Bob's big bad Mopar, besides being good looking, puts out a 325 hp. 383 cu. in. v8 with a nice big A.F.B. 4 barrel carb. for acceleration.

The drive Train also includes a beefed Tongue Flyte and American mags all the way around. A classy silver paint job adds to the exterior beauties.

As for the interior, how does black naughtide with marching bucket seats, a solid chrome consul and a tape deck sound? If that's not enough, Bob even has vibresonic played through 5 extra large speakers.

Bobs future plans are 4 Goodyear super Stock specials for that mean look!



## "Wheels of the Week"

Featured in the first edition of the Lance is Bob Race's 325 H.P. 383 Dodge Coronet 500. BPC Photo

Championship?

# VARSITY SWEEPS 2 GAMES

## Tight Defense Is Followed By Driving Offensive Spark



Brave grifter moves in for tackle Photo by BPC

Undefeated, untied Blackford Braves will go into league play with a 2-0 record as the results of hard fought wins over Archbishop Mitty and Mission San Jose.

The Braves opened their 1966 Varsity football season with a powerful offensive attack, crushing Archbishop Mitty 27-12 at Buck Shaw Stadium. The game was completely dominated by Blackford with Ron McCaughy's three touchdown passes to Larry Dunham, Jim Whiteside, and Skip Adams. All three T.D.'s were tallied during the explosive second quarter.

The 7-0 victory over Mission San Jose was sparked by the vicious Blackford Braves' defense - Senior Chuck Potter and Junior Bob Rose, and held Mission San Jose until Blackford's 4-speed strick shift offense with leading ground gainers Duane Kubo and Jim Whiteside fighting for yardage, which made possible a spectacular third quarter touchdown by quarterback Ron McCaughy. From then the Braves dominated the game and went on to win, with its superior offense and defense.

### Coming Attractions

- Oct. 26 - F/S Football - Campbell at Blackford 3:30
- C & D Basketball - Blackford at Campbell 3:30
- Oct. 25 - Varsity Football - Campbell at Blackford 3:30
- Nov. 3 - F/S Football - Blackford at Westmont 3:30
- C & D Basketball - Westmont at Blackford 3:30

# S P O R T S

### AGA NEEDS YOU

Come, join and support the outstanding girls sports teams of Blackford High School. If interested see Miss Ellis or Mrs. Squirer.

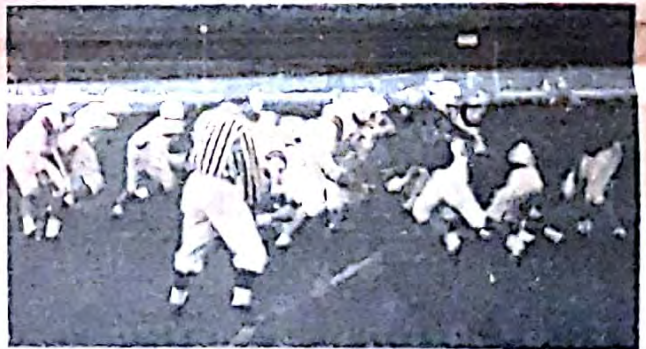
## FROSH-SOPHS DRIVING HARD BUT STILL NO WIN

After the first four weeks of the Blackford Frosh-Soph football season, the Braves have yet to become Victrolus.

In the first game, a night game played at Buck Shaw Stadium, the Braves came from behind to tie the Mitty Monarchs on a third-quarter touchdown. At this point, the score was tied. The Braves attempted to score after the touchdown and failed. Due to penalties against Mitty, Blackford gained two more chances but failed to make the conversion.

Highlights of the game were the three Blackford interceptions, one of which set up the Braves' score, and the two fumble recoveries by Blackford after they had punted.

After a tie with Mitty, Braves' hopes were high at Washington Field, in Fremont, for a victory over Mission San Jose, but the warriors downed the Junior Braves 13-0. This leaves the Braves with a 0-1-1 record going into Thursday's game with Saratoga.



Frosh-Soph in season opener with Mitty Photo by BPC

## R. C. Owens At Blackford



49-er Star R.C. Owens Photo By BPC

Former San Francisco 49-er football star, R.C. Owens, paid a visit to the varsity football practice Thursday, September 15. Owens, the pass catching star of the 49-ers for a number of years, attended the same college in Idaho as Coach George Pesut.

R.C. worked with the ends and quarterbacks on pass patterns.

While playing with San Francisco, Owens was made famous by his famed "ally-oop" catch, in which the former basketball star would race downfield, leap high in the air, and catch the touchdown pass. This catch produced much excitement for 49-er fans for many years.

## C and D Cagers Attempting Hard to Take Championship

Basketball Coach Gene Anglus says he's just going to try hard to win. The main purpose of Blackford's pre-season game is to see how the team can hold together under pressure. The squad has been practicing only since the first of September. It appears that if Coach Anglus can get a good strong center, he can take the league championship.

The C basketball game started out with the first quarter as a stand-still with the Pellarmine Bells 9, Braves 8. They went into the second half with a score of 20-10, Bells.

In the third quarter the

Braves fought back hard and came within 6 points, but the Bells' experience proved to be too much. The Bells downed the Braves for the first time in three years, 37-27.

The D basketball game was completely dominated by the Brave cagers who also went on to win.

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