

Barbara Carnett Receives Entrance Honor at Cal Poly

Former Blackford grad, Barbara Jean Carnett, has been granted "Honors at Entrance" to California State Polytechnic College.

In order to gain this honor an entering Freshman must be among the top five percent of his class, based on his high school grades. His grade point average must be 3.65 or better

on a 4.0 scale. Barbara plans to major in Biological Sciences at Cal Poly. Cal Poly, one of the 20 California State Colleges, provides occupationally centered education at the college level for its students. It emphasizes the applied fields of agriculture, engineering, business, and home economics.

Powder Puffed Pistol Blasts Blackford Riflemen

"I was surprised and pleased," commented Rebecca Marchello, when asked her reaction after receiving her first marksmanship score.

Rebecca is top marksman in Blackford's Rifle Club this year. She had fired a gun only once before she joined the club this fall, and didn't expect to come as far as she has.

She explained how she made the top position, the thirteen-minute time limit, and the target fifty-feet away. Her score was 128 out of 150.

She doesn't own a rifle of her own, but expressed a desire to purchase one if her interest in the sport continues.

A few of the top competitors for Rebecca's honorable position are David DeFrance, Howard Landman, and Gene Richert. Kathy and Kris Hall are two other female members of the team. Rebecca enjoys marksmanship, and if her "luck" doesn't change, she plans to continue aiming for the bull's eye.

The Rifle Club meets at the San Jose Municipal Range on Thursday's from four to six.



'Mrs. McThing'
Dec. 1-2
Cafetorium

14 Forensic Medalists Placed At Tournament

Blackford placed fifth in the Individual Forensics Events Tournament at Cupertino High School on November 19. Twenty schools participated with Cupertino placing first; Bellarmine, second; Los Gatos, third; Sunnyvale, fourth; and Blackford fifth. Miss Lee Cunningham the advisor to the speech team, commented, "It's the best Blackford has ever done in the tournament." Seventeen members of the Public Speaking class participated and 14 placed.

Speakers placing in the Humorous Interpretation category were Mike Shanahan, Doug Bleakly, Sherry Yarchover, and Sandy Dorsett. Winners for Dramatic Interpretation were Dennis Conroy, Karen Schirle,

and semi-finalist Andy Atkinson. Boys' Extemporatory winners were semi-finalist John Carney and finalist Jim Jacobs. Girls' Extemporatory: Cathy Cuzner and Karen Scherle (fifth place). The two speakers who won the Boys' Impromptu and Boys' Oratorical were Mike Shanahan and Jim Jacobs, respectively.

MONUMENTS TO THE DEAD

by David Eastman

There they stand, tall, slim emotionless poles. They are waiting silently for something no human wants. They stand high above the ground mocking each human as he passes. They know when war finally comes they will send a tanhoo-like cry forewarning inevitable death.



Dennis Conroy tells Jim Cunningham his story on stage in Blackford's winter play, "Mrs. McThing" APC Photo

"Stained Glass To Perform At Blackfords Spirit Dance

An alumnus of Blackford returned to his old campus November 23 at 8:30 to show his talents at this year's spirit dance. His name: Dennis Carrasco, drummer for the Stained Glass, one of the Bay Area's most sought after bands.

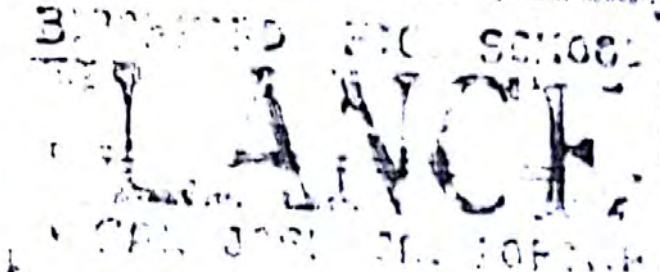
Dennis graduated from Blackford last year and is presently attending West Valley College. About three years ago he came to the Stained Glass, then known as the Trolls, to beat the drums. Dennis rates as the youngest in the band, but after playing drums for seven years, he shows more talent than could be acquired in that length of time.

Roger Hodge, rhythm guitar, leader, and also the oldest, has been with the group since

its formation and has written a few songs of his own.

Bob Rottiger is lead guitarist. Since his change from Country & Western to Rock 'n' Roll he has, without a doubt, been acclaimed one of the best lead guitarists in California.

Jim McFadden, bass player, first tried out for the band as a drummer but couldn't cut the mustard, so to speak, so he changed to the bass guitar. In this change, Jim has also become one of the finest bass players in California. Besides playing in the band and group to SJS College, Jim wrote their first release, "Walkin' Shoes" on Peablow Records and then followed on RCA Records with "How Do You Expect Me?" and "My Buddy Boy," their newest.



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KLIV Prunes Raise Money For Faculty Scholarship Fund

"It doesn't matter if you win or lose, but whether you take a shower after the game!" With these words Mike Hunter, better known to most people as "Captain Mike" of KLIV radio fame summed up his philosophy on football at an interview with the Lance during half-time at the Prunes-Faculty gridiron clash November 5.

Mike explained that the name "Prunes" evolved around the fact that prunes are the largest and most important Santa Clara County crop--just as the Houston gridiron stars are named "Oilers" because of Texas oil.

The disc-jockeys are playing football mainly as a community service to raise funds for scholarships. However, the station receives a great deal of publicity, plus a percentage of the ticket sales.

D.J.'s are Dropouts? "We're all dropouts," exclaimed Mike in jest when asked about the amount of training a prospective disc-jockey needs. He then explained that a disc-jockey's success depends not so much upon his formal education, but upon his incentive and show business intuition. Although he declined to state the exact amount a KLIV disc-jockey earns, the "early evening" D.J. stated that salaries vary a great deal according to the rating the D.J.'s show receives.

Rock 'n' Roll is Out!

In regard to rock'n'roll, Mike remarked that he enjoyed listening to it very much. However, he added, "A few nights ago I looked for some new rock'n'roll records to play and I could only find about two." Rock'n'roll is a very much outdated term; most records waxed today that are popular with teenagers are not rock'n'roll in the sense of the word as it came to mean during the 1950's. Rather, the music of today has a beat and a style all of its own.

Personality Blends Perfectly with Mascot

It's pretty amazing that a strip of black hair on a large head, a pair of megawatts, and a costume, can transform the personality of the wearer.

Many different personalities both male and female, have donned the well known Blackford Brave costume, yet game after game our mascot conducts himself or herself pretty much in the same pleasing manner.

Snappy war dances, and constant cheers, encourage our team to fight, fight, fight! No practice, no rehearsals, yet somehow each conveys different personality, with ease and confidence. Needs perfectly fit our Blackford Brave.

How about a cheer for Mr. ...

BROTHERHOOD:

'FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL'

By Patn Bush

"Sandy, Sandy. It's time to get up," Mommy whispered. I rubbed my eyes and looked up at this large, wonderful lady. My mommy is the softest mommy in the world, but this morning she was extra soft and she looked kind of sad; even though she had on her usual happy smile.

"You have to get ready for school, honey. Put on your pretty new dress and then come down for breakfast."

We ate breakfast without saying a word. Usually we always talked and laughed.

We talked about everything, but mostly about freedom and democracy. Mommy says the President is doing all he can but he needs help, our help. We have to help ourselves by standing on our own and being proud.

Plus + Minus = Report Card

"It's to help the students," said Mr. Don Armitstead concerning the plus and minus addition on report cards this year.

The plus and minus' are to let a student know if they are on the margin of a lower or higher grade. Teachers have always put them in grade books so this year there will be a special column for teachers to use if the student deserves the extra addition. It had been eliminated 6 years ago when the processing machines couldn't handle the extra material. Mr. Armitstead said the addition is to show what progress could be made for the improvement of everyone's grade.

Mommy said that's what my Daddy would say if he were here and then she'd smile a mournful, proud smile.

Mommy was talking about our rights last night when she was telling me about how school's going to be today and why I was going. I'm to be brave like Mommy.

But Mommy doesn't look brave this morning. She cleared the table and took my hand in her's. Mommy was about to cry cause there was a little tear in the corner of her eye. I hated to see Mommy cry. I turned away so she wouldn't see I was crying too. She kissed my forehead like she always does when she wants to make me know she loves me extra special.

She then put her arms around me and we walked to the door. She looked very old at that

A.F.S. Sponsors Candy Sales

Help a worthy cause, buy candy! A.F.S. is having a candy sale to help bring foreign exchange students to Blackford.

There will be an assortment of candy sold this year. The selection of candy will consist of Peanut Crunch, Creamy Mints, Coconut Crisps, Cashew Crunch, Milk Chocolate Bars, and Theater Chocolate.

The proceeds from the candy sale will pay for Meong's stay here at Blackford.

Shar 'n Tell

SEX!!! now that I've got your attention on to more important subjects. This "space" of the paper shall be dedicated to small tid-bits of information found floating around the campus. For instance, did you know that the students consume daily approximately, 260 cookies, 25 pounds of sugar, and 160 hamburgers. Another thing I've noticed about the cafeteria is its' amazing ability to always serve spinach on the day after the lawns is cut.

• I have one question to ask the world... "Where was Horace Wink"?

• We all know what the first Saturday after the full moon in September is....Cherokee Strip Day. Sorry...only in Oklahoma.

• A few things that I would like to see a Blackford: The clocks work and a Senior lawn and quad • Do you know that more people die from falling down stairs than do in car accidents. • Cars are truly getting safer, the 427 cubic inch engine proves it!

SEX, now that I've got your attention again, I'd like to point out that the Seniors voted 299 against 31 for the "Obcenity Law". This proves...something strange is happening to the sex...oops, I mean world.

moment like she did when daddy didn't come back. I guess she's afraid I won't come back, either. "I'll be home safe and full of learning, Mommy! Remember what you told me; the color of a person's skin doesn't mat-

ter and the law will protect us from anyone who doesn't understand! Don't cry, Mommy!" I burst out with all those words and I felt good when I saw Mommy smile as I marched off to school.



'WITH NOISELESS TREAD DEATH COMES ON MAN'

By David Eastman

To tell a man fifty years ago he had tuberculosis was like telling him he was to be executed in one hour. "White death" at this time was considered a fatal disease. Schiller, a poet, described the disease in William Tell:

"With noiseless tread death comes on man
No plea, no prayer delivers him;
From midst of busy life's unfinished plan,
With sudden hand, it severs him;
And ready or not ready,--no delay,
Forth to his Judge's bar he must away!"

Today the disease isn't as fatal as it was in 1916, mainly because proper treatment has been discovered.

But, it's interesting to note the early attempts at treatment of tuberculosis. Some of the

Upperclassmen Poets Wanted

Edward Markham Chapter of the London Poetry Society is having its Annual Student Poetry Contest. The objectives of the society are to find and encourage young poets, and to promote the love and appreciation of poetry.

Thirteen cash prizes will be awarded. Rules are: all forms of original poetry will be accepted, but it cannot exceed 32 lines; only Juniors and Seniors are eligible; three copies should be sent to Holly Drew Geary, 401 Main Street, Santa Clara, on or before April 7, 1967.

Faculty Forum



By Sid Morrison

Naturally you would expect the Senior Counselor to say that the Seniors are the greatest---well they are!

They don't claim this distinction by being a year or two older than the rest of you, but by having challenged upper classmen for the past three years and gained poise and leadership from this struggle.

I hope that each class, freshman, sophomore, and junior, will push the seniors for top position in every type of activity on the campus. Each class is going to gain in spirit through this competition and Blackford becomes greater all the time. Challenge the Seniors for spirit!

procedures used in treatment--even though they had no effect on the course of the disease--improved the well-being of the patient. (This didn't help of course when the patient died the next day.)

Probably one of the more popular treatments was the use of herbs. The herbs were either crushed and the vapor inhaled, or sprinkled on cracked ice to be sucked by the patient. (Opium was used and even if it didn't cure the patient's disease, it sure made him forget about it!)

As late as the twentieth century some very outrageous treatments were tried. For instance, goat and camel milk were recommended and even sticking one's head into a freshly cur hole in the earth. (If the patient didn't die from the disease, he probably died from the treatment!)

Pop, Opp Flags In Art Room

Blackford's flag wavers can now stand up and take note. (Forget the pencil and paper.) Now residing in Room 3 (the art room) is a collection of semi-psychedelic, mind-bending wall hangings -- classified as flags.

These flags are truly from the Bazaar age of pop, op mind out. The flags were originally assigned as a project to make the usually barren art room into a pulsating, vibrant come-alive room.

The flags were hung the day of open house to provide a mild mental stimulation to all who came to the annual visitation night.

Also, to be found posted in the room is an interesting collection of interesting mind bending posters from various dances given within the Bay Area.

Contest for Braves

Lance staff is sponsoring a contest to raise money for the Christmas issue. All you have to do is guess the number of Christmas bulbs in the container.

The prize is a \$10 gift certificate from the Emporium. It costs 10¢ a guess or 25¢ for three. Get busy and start counting! The contest will close on Tuesday, December 6, with the winner being announced on Wednesday, December 7. The container will be on exhibit in the show case.

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TIDBITS

Rock and Ross

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Those of you who remember Ross McGowan, the KLIV D.J. that substituted as an English teacher at Blackford last year, will be interested in learning that "The Funny Little Guy About Six Feet High" is presently working at KLIV's affiliate in Merced.

Did the Braves win or lose the game November 5? The answer to that question will probably be a topic of controversy around Blackford and KLIV for many months to come.

By Arlene Knopp
When a child is young
His problems seem small to us.
His griefs have no worth,
Worries? He has none.
Griefs are small but so's the child.

Sunrays, Pet Interviewed By Braves

Grabbing at the chance to interview top recording artists were four Blackford students, Debbie Embody, Junior; Linda Hodam, Junior; Elizabeth McDonald, senior; and Kirk Rashall, senior.

Debbie attended the Sunrays interview which was sponsored by Radio station KLIV. She stated that the interview went smoothly and that the Sunrays had many witty things to say including a statement by Vince, "Music has gone down the drain," which turned her head quite a bit.

Linda attended a concert at Foothill Auditorium featuring Petula Clark in all her splendor. Linda received many facts about Pet's career dating from when she was a little girl to her travels and personal performances. Linda also received a personally autographed picture of Pet for her collection.

Elizabeth and Kirk attended the interview with the groups that hit town last week, Love, the Leaves, the Tijuana Rejects and New Zealand's recording artist, Ray Columbus. This interview was also sponsored by KLIV.

Note: More interviews will be coming up, so here's a chance for Braves to meet the stars.



Flag girls work extremely hard to make their routines perfect. The '66 '67 flag girls are Teresa Aldrich, Evon Begovich, Karlyne Bush, Neldin de la Cruz, and Shirley Santil.

Flag Girls Enthusiastic In Spite Of Difficulties

"We marched for three miles behind some horses," remarked Neldin de la Cruz, head flag girl. Yes, the flag girls encounter many difficulties but they have their encouraging moments, too.

Five girls were selected last May from 40 applicants. Those who received this honor are Teresa Aldrich, Evon Begovich, Karlyne Bush, Neldin de la Cruz, and Shirley Santil. Neldin and Karlyne are returning for their second year.

The girls twirled to five routines at Stanford Band Day, when Stanford played Wisconsin, and also at West Valleys half time when they competed against Monterey.

At the annual Stevens Creek Parade, the flag girls, accompanied by the band, received the first place trophy.

The girls encountered the horses at the Saratoga Annual Festival where they ranked second place against various types of competition.

Shirley Santil represented

FBLA Plans Active Year

It's finally going to happen - a National Future Business Leaders Of America Convention in San Francisco on June 13-15. All FBLA members are urged to attend this convention since it is so close to home.

FBLA has an active group this year, with field trips, fund raising activities, parties and the upcoming conventions.

Miss Marilyn Poncey and the club took a field trip to the Pacific Telephone Company in Sunnyvale in October. They toured through the rooms where "information" girls were working, and also learned how a long distance or toll call is made.

The girls who were members last year as well as this year are eligible to enter the Miss FBLA contest in January. An applicant must be a senior majoring in business with definite plans to follow a career in this field.

Miss Vivian O'Leary welcomes "any boy or girl taking business courses" to join the club.

Blackford at a banquet to raise money for United Fund at the Hold Night in Sunnyvale.

The most important competition is on December 3 in Salinas. Cheerleaders, song girls, flag girls, and majorettes from all over the bay area will compete.

These girls have been practicing ever since they tried out in May. "It involves quite a bit of work!" said Neldin. The girls make up their routine on Tuesday, practice on Wednesday and Thursday, and twirl with the band at Friday's game.

They all agree that it's been fun!

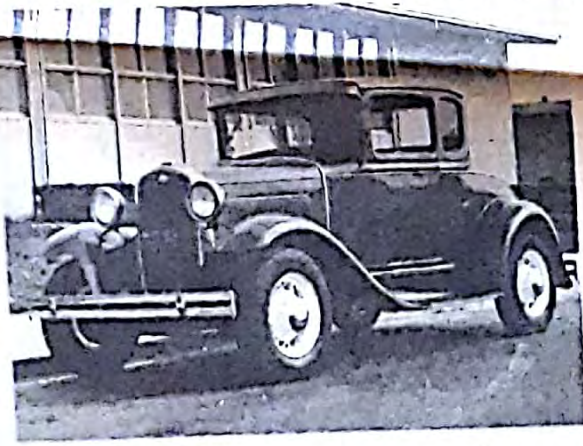
Science Club Hears Talk On Diamonds

Recks are on the ground, in the ground and in some people's heads—but the Science Club yesterday learned about the SPECIAL rock called a diamond. Miss Elsa Hart was the science club's featured speaker.

The formation and beauty of diamonds was explained by Miss Hart, a nationally known diamond authority. "Diamonds are the hardest substance known to man," explained Miss Hart. Diamonds are not only used for jewelry, but industry. Diamond dust is used for some abrasive work and there are some diamond tools used in an industrial capacity.

A warning from Miss Hart: "Beware of so-called diamond sales, for there is no such thing as a bargain in diamonds!"

THE DOTS ARE COMING



Harrigan's smart-looking Model "A"

Classic Little Model A Ford Brings Little Jeannie to School

The third edition of the Lance's Wheels of the Week is devoted to Jeannie Harrigan's classic 1932 Model A Ford coupe.

To begin with, Jeannie's powerful drivetrain consists of a four cylinder flathead with a one barrel side draft carburetor. Then comes her stock three speed transmission connected to her stock 1932 rear end. Jeannie's only drivetrain modifications are hydraulic brakes which her father installed for safety purposes.

The exterior modifications are a custom blue paint job with black fenders, runningboards and yellow 600 x 16 inch tires.

The interior consists of plush tuck and roll black naugahide, with black naugahide doorpanels and headliner. Jeannie also has a stock black dash and a floorshift. Accessories on this classic little Ford are black naugahide tuck and roll rumble seat and a continental kit.

GRIDDERS END TOUGH SEASON

'Wait Till Next Year,' Says Pesut

The Blackford Varsity put all the parts together Friday, November 11, and whipped the Camden Cougars 13-6. The game was completely dominated by the Braves, as they played ball control throughout most of the contest.

A first quarter touchdown put the Braves in the front 6-0, as Jeff Morsen pounced on the blocked punt in the end zone.

The score was tied late in the fourth period, but led by quarterback Tim Flood, the Braves pulled out a last minute touchdown as Flood fired a scoring strike to Larry Dunham. Frank Sprattling added the P.A.T.

The Varsity put together their finest effort in the last two years Friday, November 18, to soundly defeat the Los Gatos Wildcats by the score of 20-0.

Jim Whiteside's two first-half touchdowns proved to be all that the Braves needed, but putting on their best offensive show of the season, the Braves tallied two more touchdowns on runs by Ron McGaughy and Mike Sharpe. As the offensive line was pushing the Wild-

cats back at will, Tim Flood was again directing the assault at quarterback.

Holding the Wildcats to a net of 87 yards, the Braves' defense also turned in their best effort of the season, as they registered their third shutout of the year. John Bloomfield and Bob Rose and Chuck Pottier led the defensive attack, along with Steve Wills who was credited with a safety when he caught the Los Gatos quarterback in the end zone.



Halfback Duane Kubo anticipates a move. BPL

Cagers Bounce into Pre-Season Action

"I love the feeling that people think that we have a weak Varsity Basketball team this year. Well, I think everyone is in for a big surprise. This year's varsity is a well balanced group of young men," stated Coach Angius.

Returning lettermen are Seniors Neil Sinnott, Frank Palermo, Dan Abraham, and Junior Mike Ucci. Up from Fresh-Soph team are: Jeff Morsen, Skip Adams, Rick Wright, Jim Olsen, and Rich Taketa, all Juniors. The lone sophomore out is Dave Henderson. There are still many other young men out for this year's team that can strengthen it.

The varsity hoopsters have their first game December 2 against Willow Glen on the Rams home court. The Braves' home game is the following night against the Bellermine Bells. Tournaments coming up for the hoopsters are the Buchser Tournament on December 13, 14, 15, and 16 at Buchser High School's Gymnasium. The

Buchser tournament is followed by the Sunnyvale Holiday Tournament December 26, 27, 28, and 29.

Coach Angius stated that all five starting positions are up

for grabs and there are about 15 boys that can have them. "The team in the league to watch out for this year is Del Mar. They're going to be rough," said the coach.

SPORTS

Matmen Prepare for 'Robin' League; Brkljacich Coaches 1966-1967 Season

The bell rings and 50 to 60 young men dash to the gym. It's time for another wrestling practice.

Soon the gym is packed with boys clad in various assortments of colors, raging in

different sizes and shapes. The noise booms throughout the gym as the boys wrestle and play around.

Suddenly over the noise is heard the shrill of a whistle. All goes silent. A large man makes his way through the boys to the center of the gym. This is Coach Mike Brkljacich.

"O.K.," he yells, "callisthenics."

The boys go through about ten minutes of body building and individual instruction. Then they go into regular wrestling practice.

"The good wrestler is a combination of knowledge of the sport, desire to perform it, speed, and strength," says the coach.

This year's team is looking forward to an outstanding season.



CHUCK POTTIER



Frank 'Poncho' Polema Lance Photo

Athletic Girls Show Energy, Pep And Spirit

With the close of Girl's Sports swimming and tennis units come the league finals.

Blackford sent 30 girls to the swimming finals at Camden this year. The team came in fourth in the final meet, and in seasonal competition.

Chris Robinson, Denise Ryan, and Cheryl Rude placed first in the C 25 Breast Stroke, B 50 Freestyle, and the C 25 Freestyle respectively. The relays chalked up a first, two seconds, and third.

Tennis sent Jean DeMay and Lynn Harcreaves to the final and they brought back a second place in the B division.

The first meet will be at Campbell on December 8 at about 2:30. All interested students are urged to attend. Mrs. Lee Squires and Miss Adrienne Little are the advisors.

SHORTSTOP KIRK RASHALL

Chuck Pottier has been unanimously chosen by his coaches and fellow classmates as Athlete of the Quarter. Chuck is a native Californian but a dual citizen of the United States. His parents are Canadian and until he is twenty-one, Chuck is both a Canadian and an American. On his twenty-first birthday he can decide which he'll choose. "I have no idea--at the present time--of my choice," he stated.

HUMAN DYNAMO

Chuck has been known throughout his high school career as a human dynamo in sports, putting forth a forceful vigor in football and has been a catcher on the baseball team for four years. In sports, he has been all-league twice.

Chuck was also a Little Leaguer, twice on the all-stars, a Pony Leaguer, on all-stars once, and a Colt Leaguer, also on all-stars once. The 5'11", 200 lb. athlete is on the Athletic Awards Commission, which gives out awards to all the superior athletes, and is president of Block B.

SR. CLASS PRESIDENT

Senior Class President Chuck Pottier is a good student and an all around nice guy. He's been on the honor society for the past three years, Hi-Y President for three years, and secretary twice of the Hi-Y.

Asked about this year's spirit, he states, "It's the best year we've had. Every class and individual is contributing to it."

Chuck has not yet decided which college he will go to.