

Four Braves At Statewide Conference

"These kids of today...I'll never understand them." Sound familiar?

In order to reach a better understanding 3500 people attended the Governor's Conference on Youth, November 11-13.

Blackford was well represented with Mablian Carmichael Rose Fort, Selene Seltzer and Sharon Werstler attending.

Many topics were discussed including personal values, education, the family, you and the law, and human relations. The general conclusion was education. It is needed either in the roaring of a family or the driving of a car, or getting and keeping a job.

Governor Brown, Dr. Harold Taylor and Judge Emmitt Daly are just a few of the guest speakers.

Zimmicki Wins Faculty Honor

Senior Helene Zimmicki, Blackford songgirl, was chosen by Blackford faculty as the outstanding student to represent Blackford High School at a luncheon in honor of Youth Appreciation Week.

The luncheon, held recently at the Hawaiian Gardens, was sponsored by the Optimist Club for outstanding students from various schools.

Helene was also honored by attending a ranch-style breakfast November 16 with Mr. Verdun Romer, Blackford High's principal, and the president of the Miracle-Mile Optimist Club of San Jose.

Blackford High Student Council Tells About Activity to Braves

Just what does our Student Council do? This question is asked every day by the Student Body.

The main function of the Council is to mediate between the students and the teachers. They also handle financial affairs, such as purchasing uniforms and apportioning funds to the various commissions.

This year the Student Council

Blackford's Senior Play 'Harvey' Now On Way for Grand Production

The play "Harvey" to be done on December 2 and 3 by this year's senior class is entering its final stages of finishing and polishing. The players have been working nights since November 15 with some practices lasting until around midnight.

All are very enthusiastic and think it will be the best senior play in Blackford's history.

"I think its funny, but it also has some substance," remarked Vicki Bennett.

"The kids have really worked hard. I'm sure it will be great,"

commented Steve Brown.

The prompters of the production deserve a special acknowledgement for all they have done. They are Carol Burgett, Candie Kloes, Marcia Pfeiffer, Jeanene Rose, and Jan Sukrau.

Some of the committee chairmen of the "behind-the-scenes" work include Nancy Brown, Jolein De La Cruz, Dennis Reed, Marlene Westerson, and Ann Griffin.

Tickets can be purchased for 75c from any senior. They will be distributed through the individual Government classes.



Bob Pruitt and Helen Gallagher.
BPC Photo

Key Club Ends First Projects

Blackford's newly formed Key Club under the direction of President Tim Briggs, and Advisor Mr. Fred Fisher cleaned up the football field, November 3 and helped with "Back To School Night" November 17.

Twenty-five Key Clubbers turned out with brooms to sweep the bleachers. These without brooms picked up papers and discarded them in garbage cans.

"Back to School Night" proved to be just as successful as 14 boys assisted in the cake sale held during refreshment time. The sale netted \$170 on behalf of the P.T.A.

Bob, Terry Represent Blackford

Blackford Braves Bob Pruitt and Terry Rager have been chosen to represent Blackford at the Economic Forum. The Economic Forum is being held in San Francisco on December 1 at the Nourse Auditorium.

The Economic Forum is designed to bring together students who have attained academic excellence in economics who will see 12 presidents of major corporations. There will be a panel discussion on automation and its effect on the American economy; international trade and its effect on the economy, and the public sector and its effect on the economy.

The Board of Trustees of the Northern California Council on Economic Education has long felt that outstanding students should be honored for their efforts in achieving academic excellence. Each student attending the forum will be awarded an achievement certificate which will recognize his scholastic accomplishments in economics.

THE LANCE

Vol. 4 No. 5 • Blackford High • San Jose, California • November 29, 1965

Karakona In 5th Year

The Karakona HiY entered its fifth year at Blackford High with officers Chuck Portier, Benson Kanamoto, Tom Takano, Frank Gore and Brian Kimura.

Last Saturday marked their first fund-raising activity of the year. Mr. Joe Browning, their advisor, said the car wash was completely successful.

There are tentative plans toward a joint "hairy legs" contest between Karakona Hi-Y and the Key Club. Funds from this event will go to the American Field Service.

College Life Calls Braves

On December 11, the Associated Students of the University of California will welcome over 1000 high school and college students to the annual University Day. This program is to acquaint prospective Cal students about the university, and of college life at Berkeley.

There will be a choral presentation by the Collegian Singers, and also featured will be the chancellor of the Berkeley campus, Dr. Roger Heyns, and Student Body President Jerry Goldstein.

At 11 a.m., hour-long tours will be given of the different departments, which students may tour at will.

The day will conclude with a tour of the Members of Californians, a men's honorary campus organization. Oski Dolls, official hostesses for the University, will show small groups around the campus.

Tours will include informal discussion, and a ride to the top of the 307 foot campanile.

Attend Foothill In Conference

December 1 is registration deadline for the annual Health Careers Conference. Sponsors are Santa Clara County Medical Society and its Women's Auxiliary.

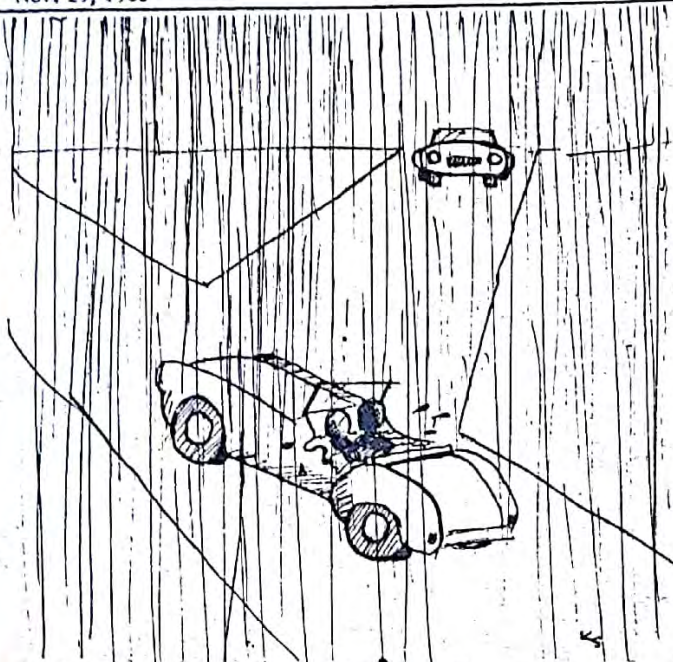
This year's program will be Saturday, February 5, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Foothill College. To benefit high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors attending, the day will consist of panels, exhibits, and a tour.



Braves' Student Council in action. BPC Photo.

BY JERRY HERMANSON

WAR PAINT



"Kinda rainy, isn't it?"

Did someone say there were four seasons of the year? I must have been hearing things because everyone knows our little world of Satna Clara valley has only two seasons. One might be called Smogburn season where thousands of guys gals jam themselves on the Santa Cruz freeway to take refuge from the cruel and pitiless smog. On the other hand, we have Fogburn season. This season is actually the rougher of the two because everyone has to undergo a complete change of living habits such as dress, health, social life, and driving.

Now take Jimmy Juts case. This poor abused guy just turned eighteen and is expecting a big weekend. Fogburn season rolls in and besides fog he gets a full dose of rain. The football game is canceled because of the rain but Jimmy figures there is still the dance that night to look forward to. At the dance, the floor is covered with water, so he decides to take Sugar, his girl, home early. On the way the white line on the rain streaked street suddenly disappeared, and that car in his lane should have moved, but of course it didn't. The wet and muddy clothes after the accident were hard enough to take, but he finally threw in the towel after coming down with double pneumonia.

This is just one of the many cases reported in our "Fog-burned" valley. After consulting specialists in this field, a way to avoid these hazards has been found. Make sure you do your Christmas shopping early.

John H. Smith!!

Notice to John H. Smith: For being such a faithful and dedicated reader you may pick up your 10 dollar bill planted under the first bush in the park anytime within the next two weeks. The LANCE staff is confident that you will find the money secure, for no one ever reads this column but you!! Thanks again for your attention and observance of our outstanding paper. Congratulations.

New Arrival, Mrs. Young

Mrs. Lynne Young, one of the 16 new teachers at Blackford this year, came from Alabama after receiving her Bachelors Degree at the University of Alabama.

Mrs. Young's husband is an officer in the U.S. Navy and is stationed at Moffett Field. He is deployed to Okinawa and the Philippines and will return in January.

Being the advisor to both the cheerleaders and the song girls keeps the Freshman English teacher busy during her spare hours.

Mrs. Young believes that Blackford is the best school she has ever taught at, while the district has made teaching more enjoyable with all of the most up-to-date equipment made available.

Two Braves Garner Seats In Honor Stage Band

Sophomore Mike Francis and Senior Dick Wilkie will represent Blackford High in the Santa Clara County Honor Stage Band sponsored by the San Jose Federation of Musicians, local 153 A.F.M. Rehearsals are held every Saturday morning.

Auditions were held Saturday, November 13. At the auditions all trialists had to sight-read a stage band arrangement of the sponsors.

Auditions were conducted by a group of high school and college stage band directors under the supervision of Mo-

desto Briseno, outstanding orchestra leader and musician. Mr. Briseno has performed with the orchestras of Harry James, Benny Goodman and Stan Kenton

Just Green

by Ron Green

Last week the senior class was given the problem of selecting senior privileges or traditions, and everyone was excited as predicted. Some of the results of this trifling debate are listed below.

1. Graduation in May to avoid rush.
2. Senior orchard for funds for all those Senior privileges.
3. Run Lockheed for a week!!!
4. Have a class play presented with 5th graders.

Due to the recent sprinkle of rain, many problems have arisen, such as dents to cars, and Tony Veretti, Bill Collins and Walt Peterson will all agree to this. This weather seems to do something to the mind also. Mickey Riorden seems to think he's J.J. Richardson of the Kingsmen, Dick DiFlore thinks he's a Ra-Boo and Mark Essex has a strange idea about being the Jolly Green Giant.

Ask: Ernie Freitas about how efficient Tapes Exclusive is and while you're at it, ask Judy Ballinger and Linda Maggie if they're over their fits they had at lunch the other day. Something also should be done about Gina Aiello's talking in government and Par Fenton not taking I.O.U.'s at the snack bar. Congratulations are due to Linda Hancock for her fine observations.



- Editor Barb Gallinger
 Managing Editor Grace Griffin
 Page 1 Ann Griffin, Jeanene Rose
 Page 2 Terri Bennett, Jim Rock
 Page 3 Anne Pence, Mark Wormley
 Page 4 Wayne Provanzo, Tim Briggs
 Circulation Dee Padden, Marcia Tallent
 Copy Editor Lindo Sumner
 News Editor Andi Hardwick
 Reporters Don Kluge, Carol Smith, Robbin Smith, Kathy Spalch, Maddie Spalch, Jerry Hermanson, Pat Thompson, Mike Watkins, Ron Green, Candie Yergin, Cathy Titty, Lindo De La Rosa
 Photography Chris Frieling



Addie Advocates

Dear Addie,
I had an accident over the week-end while out hunting. Please tell me how to act around my girl friend, with only one arm.

One-Arm

Dear One-Arm,
Act like you should but don't.

Dear Addie,
There is this girl at school who is trying to ruin my girl friend's reputation but in a sneaky way. She tells and leads others to believe that my girl friend is something that she isn't. What should I do?

John Henry I

Dear John,
I believe that this is your girl friend's problem and that she should write to me herself. However, I'll say one thing: she

has a problem there.

Dear Addie,
What would you do with a boy who is bashful, and was afraid to show you how much he likes you. But you don't want to break up with him. Waiting

Dear Waiting,
By no means should you break up with him; you have a charm on your hands, although I think I would take immediate steps to educate him.

Dear Readers,
I have a problem. No one wants to write me any questions. What should I do? There is something that you can do though. Write your letters and place them in the box marked "ADDIE ADVOCATES" which is placed in the Dean's Office. Thank you, faithful readers.

IN VOGUE

Wooly Bully? ... Wooly Bully!
After some investigation around campus it was found that there really is such a thing as a Wooly Bully. But this isn't a record, it's a coat. If you happen to see what appears to be a bear rolling down the hall, don't be alarmed. It's actually human!

When asked their opinion of the Wooly Bully, several senior boys replied:

Ron Green: I think they're nauseating, atrocious, mangy, bug-infested, repulsive. It looks like something M.E. would wear ... besides, they're not very pretty.

Wayne Provenza: They don't do justice to the girl.

Mark Wormley: They look like something some freshman girl would come up with. They're as bad as those green or blue surfer coats.

Tim Briggs: They're Spurts!

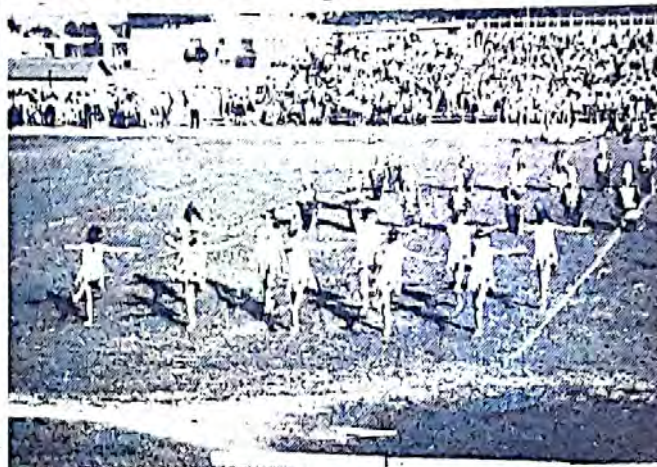
Braves' New Rifle Team Has a Girl Member

Blackford's newly-established rifle club, a junior division of the National Rifle Association, is being directed by Mr. Hall who is also in charge of Blackford's Military Science program. The club consists of about 30 members and (take note, girls). The boys outnumber the girls by nine to one.

However, as girls tend to be better shots, the boys are kept on their toes. Teams are set up so that the boys compete against (not for) the girls. Several regional shooting ranges are available to the club and select members have already tried their hand at shooting.

The Braves' Spearettes 'Swing to Safari'

By Linda De La Rosa



The Spearettes doing a routine to "Swinging Safari" during the Campbell game.

The name of the new drill team seen marching with the Blackford band during halftime at the football games is the "Spearettes".

The Spearettes hold practice every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in addition to their daily hour with the band during 4th period.

"To add variety to halftime and promote school spirit," said Cyndy Jow, captain, when I asked her the purpose of the Spearettes. She also told me that the girls started practicing last spring when they were first elected.

Mrs. Sarita Townsend is the advisor of the group. The Spearettes consists of Chris Firth, co-captain, Linda Scott, Patty Brown, Debbie Dougherty, Kathy Bush, Barbra Miller, Kathy Kygar, Dixie Snyder, Toni Bonner, Gail Obslutuk, Marleen Much, and Francis Kurmeen.

BHS Braves Bulge Biceps

by ANA and TOMY

How often have you sat in Government or U.S. History, as the case may be, bored to death, finding your eyes fixed on a leg or arm of the opposite sex? Then it is to you that we are dedicating this column. The hours spent at this common pastime have finally found an application.

The Lance will be running a picture every edition off-setting a portion of an unidentified body, and we will leave it up to you, the student body, to find its owner, whose name will be printed in the following edition. All models will be frequently seen Braves, and all parts of the anatomy featured will be easily visible to the eye.

Try your luck with this week's mysterious biceps, and keep your eyes open for next issue's "unknown leg"; it may be your own!



Can you name these two biceps frequently seen bulging around campus?

\$1000 CASH TO WINNER OF NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

"What Handicapped Workers are Contributing to My Community" is the topic of the 1966 National "Ability Counts" contest.

First prize state winner receives \$100 cash and an expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. State winners are then eligible to compete for the national prize of \$1,000 to be contributed by the Disabled American Veterans.

Any 11th and 12th grade student is eligible to compete. Each contestant will have to search for facts as a journalist does; by contacts, interviews, and his own observations. Entries should not exceed 750 words.

Judges grade on the significance of content, evidence of research, originality, impact, organization, clarity of expression, and neatness.

Blackford's First Basketball Game Is December 4



BRAVES BUGGY

Due to the overabundance of Chevrolets on our lot (Hot and cold) this week's Braves Buggy includes two. These '57 Chevy's are owned by Jack Armstrong and Roy Brand (alphabetically). Jack's 4-door wintergreen Bel-Air and Roy's competition yellow 2-door sedan are both powered by '64 340 hp. 327 "vette" engines. Jack backs this up by a 4-speed "vette" transmission and a 4:11 rear end which turns chrome dumps and slicks. Up front Jack has a pair of Cragar

mags on blackwalls. Roy's yellow taxi also features fuel injection heads and pistons, and a dual point distributor. Behind that power pack Roy has a 3-speed with overdrive and a 4:11 rear end. Amazingly enough, both cars also enhance their interior with black naugahide, Stewart-Warner gauges, and tacks. Jack differs his cockpit with a custom steering wheel while Roy's sports a Fenton "500" floor box.



Brand (left) and Armstrong exhibit their Chevys. BPC Photo

SJS College Tutors Alumni

A "College within a college" is the aim of the Tutorial Program at San Jose State. A faculty of six full-time tutors guide, organize and evaluate the studies of 110 students.

There are no regularly scheduled lectures, examinations or courses. All work is evaluated by the tutor and reviewed by the entire staff, and grades are assigned.

The LANCE staff received its information from Blackford grad Roy Whitten who is participating in the program. Roy's brother, John, delivered the facts.

Roy closed, saying "I'd rather talk to anyone interested in this new and exciting educational experiment. There is much remaining to be said. If you have any questions, feel free to phone me at 294-2927.

Basketball and Wrestling Take Over Fall Spotlight

Leigh Rubs Out Blackford's Hopes To Escape Cellar Jinx



Braves' Gary Asti Looks For Receiver. B.P.C.

The Blackford Braves staggered to their fifth loss in league competition to the Leigh Longhorns in a mud-spattered battle that looked more like a madcap demonstration than a football game.

Before many spectators could settle down in their seats, the Longhorns jumped to a quick 7-0 lead early in the first quarter. Leigh's John White received the opening kickoff and rambled 80 yards in a touchdown jaunt that saw him reverse his field twice.

On fourth down and punting situation, the Braves fumbled to set up the second Longhorn score ending with Steve Cox's one-yard plunge.

Nothing seemed to go right for the Braves as they were once again hindered by five fumbles, three recovered by Leigh, and three interceptions.

Blackford's sole touchdown came in the second quarter

when quarterback Gary Asti plunged one-yard to paydirt. Budd Gapero added the extra point on a three-yard run to end the half with Leigh in front 14-7.

The second half proved to be a slip and slide defensive battle as neither team could penetrate in deep territory to set up any scoring threat.

The Braves outscored Leigh in total offense 162 to 112 yards.



Bud Coper Completes Asti's Pass. B.P.C.

Bad Weather Delays A.G.A.

This quarter Blackford's A.G.A. will be playing hockey. The actual practicing was delayed due to the rainy weather, but now the teams are beginning to shape up. This year there are six teams composed of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Team captains are Jan Stockard, Nancy Hale, Beth Eyerman, Marcia Pfeiffer, Vera Morgan, and Grace Griffin. The rainy days were spent by having a series of chalk talks on fundamentals, officiating, and strategic plays.

The first game will be held December 2. It will be against Camden, and will probably be one of the toughest this season.

In the culminating activity at Camden for swimming, Blackford was not very successful; however, they were given fourth for district meets. The tennis team wound up its season with meets at Leigh and Camden.

Braves' Chiefs

"The outlook for Blackford's '65-'66 wrestling teams looks good," declared Coach Mike Birkljacich in an interview with one of the members of the LANCE staff.

Coach Birkljacich is this week's "Braves Chief." He came to Blackford four years ago and is presently the head wrestling coach as well as the line coach for the Braves varsity football team.

Mr. Birkljacich attended the College of Idaho. He played end for Idaho as well as quarterback. He teaches five periods of P.E. and coaches the wrestling team before school and spends his afternoons with the football team.

The Coach also spent two years in the U.S. army. Eleven of these 24 months were spent in Korea.

It has been said that Blackford is truly lucky to have such a fine coach on its coaching staff.

C's And D's End Season

Red hot both halves, the Cees ran over Del-Mar on the the losers' court November 10. The final score read 60-31. The Braves were lead by Alan Taketa's 19 points, he got finesupport from everyone with G. Ojeda getting 8, King 9, and Z. Markee 8. The Cees' also continued their winning trend by trouncing Saratoga 48-29. Again Alan Taketa led with 23 points, his biggest output of the year. In the last 3 games the team shot an amazing 53%. "As of now, we're in 2nd I don't know about Campbell." This was Coach Angus' reply about the standings.

The Dee's were defeated twice, both on the losers court. The first defeat at the hands of Del Mar 50-20 and the second 32-29 against Saratoga. Maybury was high scorer in the Del Mar game and Haughey gunned for 10 in the Saratoga match



Braves' Gary Asti Manages to Unleash Pass Under Heavy Camden Pressure. B.P.C.

SPORTS

Page 4

THE LANCE

November 29, 1965

Braves' Gridders Wear 15 Pounds of Equipment

By Wayne Provenza

Let's face it, when fans pay to see a game they come for one reason and one reason only, that's excitement and action. And football generally produces both in ample amounts.

Frequently in high school as well as college and professional football this excitement and action usually results in some form of injury, whether it be a sprained thumb or a broken leg. To compensate for this, the football player is loaded down with at least fifteen pounds of protective equipment designed to eliminate any possible injuries that a player may encounter during a game.

Probably the most important piece of equipment to a football player is his helmet and mouthpiece. The helmet, with its

attached face mask, provide protection to the head, eyes, nose, and jaw. Knee, thigh and hip pads aid in cushioning falls.

Completing the gridders uniform are three different types of shoes. A high-top shoe gives more ankle support. A low cut style gives added speed. And a special shoe with a square toe is used for place kicking.

Two Harriers Are Medalists

Blackford's 1965 cross country season has virtually ended with a combined team placement of fifth out of eight schools.

Individual team finishes were Freshman fifth, Sophomores third (they looked more impressive than their record shows) Junior Varsity sixth, and Varsity fifth. Being hampered by lack of depth all year, only two Braves harriers medaled at the finals, Bob Yoshowitz-Varsity, and Ken Dike-Freshmen.

The two top men in each division were Bob Yoshowitz (senior), Bruce Kirkpatrick (Soph)-Varsity, Mike Rock, Dick Shaffer-Soph, and Ken Dike Rich Poujade-Freshmen.

Bruce Kirkpatrick will be the lone returning varsity member with Ed Davis, Harry Taylor, Rick Dela Cruz, Randy Talley, John Crow and Bill Dike- all graduating Seniors.