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Vote Procedure Reviewed: BH Student Body Elections Established for January

By Carol and Robbin Smith

During this month of January another pressing election will be prepared for the Student Council and student body officers for the spring semester.

According to Mr. George Buonocore, director of student activities, the student body is not well informed of the actual qualifications required to run for a student body office. For the benefit of all students, the correct procedure to become a candidate is as follows:

Procedure

Your duty first is to be interested enough in an office to serve to the best of your ability. With this in mind you obtain a petition from the Deans' Office and fill out all requirements.

First is the candidate's statement—which consists of name, office running for, semester, year in school, and student body card number. This is accompanied by a statement that the candidate is running for no other office.

Name Derivations Recall Meanings

What's your name? Are you beautiful, wise, handsome, strong? See if you can find the definition of your name among those listed here. (Reprinted from the Ram Pages)

Boys

- Bill - "determined protector."
- Brian - "strong; powerful."
- David - "beloved."
- Mark - "belonging to Mars; a warrior."
- Robert - "of bright, shining fame."
- Stephen - "crown garland."
- Tom - "the twin."
- Ronald - "mighty ruler."
- Wayne - "wagon maker."

Girls

- Barbara - "foreign."
- Vivian - "beautiful."
- Laura - "the air."
- Margaret - "peace."
- Valerie - "valor."
- Elizabeth - "consecrated to God."
- Susan - "lily."
- Diane - "Goddess of nature."
- Judy - "praised."
- Tallulah - "terrible."

Movie Trip

Come one, come all! See "The Agony and the Ecstasy" January 29. A bus will take all interested Blackford students at 8 a.m. to the Fox Theater in San Francisco. Contact your English teacher, if interested.

Manager Signs

The campaign manager's signature comes next. This states his promotion of the candidate will be according to Student Council rules. A candidate may serve as his own manager.

The certificate of eligibility consists of the actual requirements. These include:

1. One semester of attendance at Blackford.
2. At least a "two point" grade average.
3. Possession of a student body card.
4. Running for no other student office.

This is verified by the signature of your class counselor. The petition is then signed by the Dean of Boys or the Dean of Girls, giving approval according to the evidence of your attendance and citizenship.

Acquaintances

The last half of a petition is for the signatures of persons who are personally acquainted with the candidate and believe he or she would best serve the student body if elected to office. Forty-six endorsements are required.

The petition is then completed and should be returned to the Deans' Office. If this petition meets all requirements, you will be an eligible candidate.

West Valley College Approves Purchase of Additional Land

A purchase of three additional acres of West Valley's Saratoga site was approved by its governing board at a special meeting Dec. 30. This brings the total land acquired for the campus to 100 acres, with 43 acres yet to be purchased.

The trustees at this meeting also adopted a resolution setting up a schedule so that the state of California would advance payments to the district for the construction funds of the college. These funds will be used for

completing final plans for the Engineering - Technology and Science - Mathematics buildings, financing site developments, planning and utility costs and the purchase of equipment.

At an earlier meeting a 1966-67 college calendar with the regular academic year opening on Sept. 6 and closing on June 16, was approved.

If everything goes as planned, 20 temporary classrooms will be finished for use by September, 1966.

Annie's Back! Soph Science Learns How

Annie is back again! The Sophomore Science classes get to try mouth-to-mouth and mouth-to-nose resuscitation on her. Captain Thompson of the San Jose Fire Department was at Blackford with Annie on January 3, to demonstrate the processes.

Annie is a model of a woman which has life-like features that enable the students to learn how to apply resuscitation. Hi Orville! Annie has been useful in the purpose of the resuscitation demonstration. Captain Thompson gave several examples in which using Annie helped save a life.

Dance Is Scheduled After Leigh Game

After tonight's basketball games with Leigh High School (Frosh-Soph at 7 pm and Varsity at 8:30) an After-the-Game dance will be held in the Blackford cafeteria. The dance, open to Blackford students only, will begin at 10 p.m. and end at 11:30 p.m.

Braves Hear Atom Lecture

Mr. Robert Nestor demonstrated a "hair raising" feat to junior Candy Anderson at a packed double assembly last week.

Mr. Nestor, representing the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, laboratory of the Atomic Energy Commission, asked Candy to hold onto a Van de Graf generator which in turn made her long, blonde hair literally stand on end. It was only harmless electricity, he said—low amperage—although the voltage is about the same as that used in prison electrocutions.

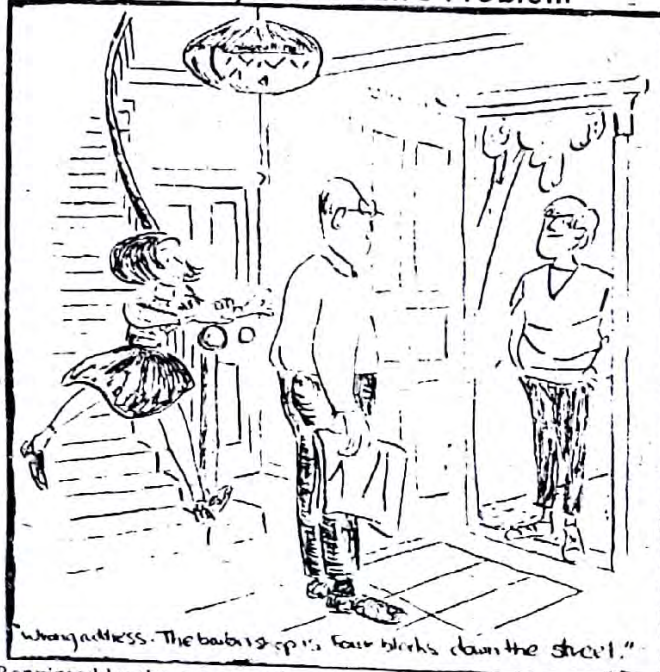
Loud reports, hums, crackles, and blinking lights helped explain the intricacies of atomic energy in the hour-long show, "This Atomic World," touring the United States.

The speaker illustrated the harmlessness of Alpha rays as he allowed volunteers to handle radio active Wiffo Balls. A Geiger counter proved that the students' hands were not radio active after demonstration.

Also covered were lecture-demonstrations on the principles of fission, fusion and heat exchangers.

The lecture was the first hour-long assembly of the school year. Mr. Nestor later that afternoon appeared before the Science Club.

Not Only The Dean's Problem



"Wrongness. The baby's eyes fall black down the street."

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By Miss Bennett

WAR PAINT



Students frequently judge schools on the basis of what they know of it's "school spirit." What is school spirit? Is it possible that the amount of spirit shown by a student body is in proportion to the pride they have in their school and it's accomplishments? How is school spirit judged? Is it the amount of noise a cheering section can make at a game, or is it something more?

Looking back on the first four months, Blackford has much to be proud of. The student council has done a good job and the dance they sponsored was a big success. In addition, many individuals have attained high honor. During the fall term three students were rated National Merit Semi-finalists and nine others received letters of commendation. Students have participated in conferences and been honored at luncheons. Each of these individuals and groups represents something of which all of Blackford can be proud.

An observer might wonder what the general disregard for maintaining a clean campus indicates about school spirit. The idea of "let someone else pick it up" is perhaps an indication of our feeling towards others and our willingness to work in a cluttered atmosphere is a reflection on us individually. We should consider doing something about it.

Few things are accomplished by a single individual alone. True school spirit is based on the pride individual students have in their school, in their fellow students and in the cooperative effort they exert; this makes coming to school fun. May we resolve that the second semester of 1965-66 be as successful as the first and that our school spirit be increased in all dimensions.

JUST GREEN

By Ron Green

Jim Edson, president of the M.L.B., has proudly announced the third meeting of the year. It will be held in the cooking room January 15 after school. Everyone is welcome, including faculty members.

Addie Advocates was mysteriously stabbed in the back last week. Will the doer of the wrong deed please step forward? We wish to condole our greatest sympathy to Mr. and Misses Advocate.

Congratulations are due to Mr. Loewus. He has made it through another year of Journalism and lasted to see his birthday once again.

Ask: Terry Haber how well she hides.....Bob Shick and Ken Spitzer If they live dangerous lives.....Big D and The Matia Straw Gang how rough they areDoug Bowser how good his memory is. (Locker). Mickey Riorden--went home early.

Jerry Hermanson--Hi Orville. Went to the show. Jerry Russo--Party at Eddie Haskell's

Terry Haber--had a reunion. Erney Freitas--set a speed record.

Alumni Rodger Otto--eloped, but was captured.

Throughout the halls of Blackford may be seen trench coat-clad students with briefcase in hand and straw in mouth. This corporation may be compared with U.N.C.L.E., Thrush, James Bond, and Secret Agent. The Leader is only known as "The Big D" and members are singled out with a pass word. The primary purpose of this group is to act sneaky.

Math Club Ties Del Mar

Blackford's math club, with Mrs. Mitchell as advisor, met here on December 15 for an annual contest with Del Mar's math club, supervised by Mrs. Booth. The event ended with a tie.

The Blackford Math Club, is part of a national club, Mu Alpha Theta, composed of juniors and seniors holding a B average in all classes, with freshmen and sophomores as associate members.

Another contest is planned for May, with other district schools invited to attend.

LIMERICKS

By: Senior Creative Writing Students

There was once a young man named Sinclair.

Who thought he had plenty of hair,

Until one day, it all went away,

When he used that stuff they call Nair.

--Bill Sinclair

There once was a girl called Sharin,

who thought she'd be a bit darin.

A bikini she put on, But amazed, found it gone,

As she climbed from the pool rather barin.

--Vicki Bennett

There was an old lady named Mabel,

Whose mind was very unstable.

She was always quite gay, Just crying touché!

While trying to fence on a cable.

--Diane Omori



"Campus Pride??" Paul Anderson Cartoon

Brotherhood Essay

Brotherhood--His New Dream When Men Acquire Freedom

By Jim Rock

The man was old and gray. His face was harshly wrinkled from the sun. You could tell he had worked in the fields for many years. When he walked, his back curved like an ancient willow swaying in the breeze. But he still had his memories; memories that would mean little or nothing to us, but meant survival to him.

He remembered the hot, sticky, humid days in which he toiled for eight to ten hours a day, but which the night-air compensated with a cool breeze that revived him. But, through it all he knew the same routine would begin the next morning. There would be no better positions available for uneducated Negroes.

His master, on the other hand, was an unkind man. He beat his slaves; he gave them poor housing with little food. The young slave grew old before his time. His life as a slave was all he had until the last day of the Civil War when he gained his freedom. Freedom--his dream come

true,--free to vote, to eat, to sleep, to rest, and to breathe. But this dream was soon shattered by the effects of prejudice. The old man doesn't quite understand what prejudice means, but he believes men should be brothers. No matter what race or religion they belong to. As he sits in his new rocking chair he begins a new dream--for men to be brothers!



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IN VOGUE

Boots are very much in style this year, both for girls as well as boys. Coming in all styles and colors such as, black, white, and even polka dots, they can be found in a variety of materials including suede, patten leather, or alligator.

The boots come in varied lengths ranging from very short to quite long; the most popular are the knee length. Although considered poor taste for school wear, the long boots go nicely with ski pants and stretch capris.

Madrian or op-art dresses are still enjoying popularity. Stripes with checks and circles in the middle of squares are some of the more down-to-earth styles. Wilder styles include a range of fabrics and designs enough to stir anyone's imagination.

Sympathy Extended By BH Lance Staff

The Lance staff offers its condolences to the family and relatives of Robert Pattison who died recently.

Robert was a 15-year-old sophomore at Blackford. Memorial services were held at the Campbell Memorial Chapel at 3:30 on January 4.



Cindy Bourgeau, Vicki Gola, Mike Hoppin, Peggy Thiel, and Linda Valdes
BPC Photo

Varsity Cheerleaders Lead Braves in Spirit

By Jeanene Rose

All the cheerleaders would like to thank their advisors and the student body for all the help and spirit they have given.

Head cheerleader Mike Hoppin came from New England in the New York area. Mike has lived in California for two and one-half years. His most embarrassing moment was the day he tried out for cheerleader.

Vicki Gola, Blackford's other head cheerleader, was born in Denver, Colorado. She has lived in California for nine years. Her most embarrassing moment was the noon time rally when nobody yelled.

Cheerleader Linda Valdes was born in Los Angeles, lived in the San Fernando Valley until 1961, then moved to San Jose. Her most embarrassing moment was also at the noon time rally when nobody yelled.

Blackford cheerleader Cindy Bourgeau was born in San Jose, California. Cindy's most embarrassing moment was at the Los Altos basketball game--- which is too embarrassing to tell.

Peggy Thiel, a senior, is known as the shy cheerleader. This reporter has found little success in ferreting out much more information on the elusive girl.

The cheerleaders would like the Blackford Braves to keep up their good spirit for the remaining year.

All Students Earn \$\$\$?

There are several ways to look at a high school education. 1) From the vast amount of knowledge you receive, 2) The amount of money you will make just by breathing in school; that is, the four years you're here. Few people realize that the average student makes .06638 cents every time he takes a breath! In case any people are wondering how I came by this, take a lifetime salary and divide by the times you breath a minute.

BH Musicians In Concert

The 4th annual "Pops Concert" will be held in the cafeteria Saturday, January 29, at 8 p.m.

The program will feature the orchestra and choir under the direction of Mr. Ray Alvin, and the Symphonic and Dance bands under the baton of Mr. Joe Davis. Admission to this event is free to the public.

BHS Student Council Meets: Report On

The meeting held January 4, by the Student Council was called to order by President Terry Rager.

It was brought up that student court be formed, but it turned out that a student court is not allowed, because that is what the deans are for.

Few of the pictures being taken for the yearbook are being ruined because of deliberately bad gestures. It was suggested that these pictures be sent home to their parents.

Student Government Day will be held on one of the Wednesdays left in January.

There will be at least two changes in the constitution next year. They are in the area of election procedures and commissions.

The committee on Senior Privileges will approach Mr. Rorer with their ideas in the near future.



Can you guess whose hands these are?

Guess Whose Pair of Hands

by Ana and Tomy

How many of you guessed who the legs in the last edition belonged to? We have been told that someone thought that each leg belonged to a different person.

But, disappointing as it may be to that person, both legs belong to Ralph Gettsla.

This week we are featuring two hands, which, if you are quite observant, you will recognize as the property of two different people. Do your best!

And, by the way, we would like to take this opportunity to say hello to Punkin, Orville, and Rabbit.

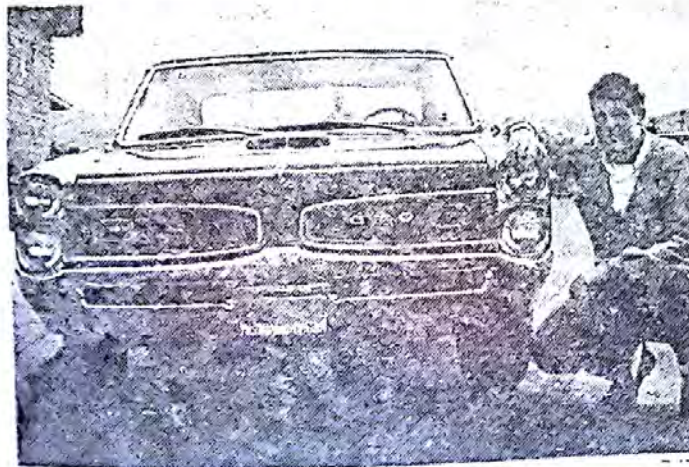
**Blackford vs Leigh
Tonight in Our Gym**

BRAVES BUGGY

Before we go into the advantages of owning a '66 GTO (Gran Turismo Omologato, for those of you who always wanted to know) I would like to congratulate Sam Jones on his ability to obtain and drive a '65 Corvette Stingray and enhance our parking lot for a week.

Now, getting on to the Burgandy subject at hand, you've probably noticed Steve Gunia's

Ponton on this page. That's because it's this issue's Braves Buggy (ta-da). Hi, Orville! Steve's GTO has a "389" cu. in. eng with one quad, a four speed transmission and positraction. The interior features black naugahyde buckets, black carpeting, radio with reverberation, and a chrome Hurst floor-box.



Steve's GTO BPC Photo

Tournaments Close Season

"We're on a winning streak." This was a comment heard by one of Coach Anglus's Frosh-Soph basketball players, after successfully opening the 1965-66 league season.

Leading all the way and outscoring their opponents in every quarter but the third, in which they were only outscored by one, the Braves rambled over Los Gatos on the winners court. Leading the scoring with eleven points was Rick Wright, brother of varsity basketball player Doug Wright. Rick was assisted greatly with the balanced attack of sophomore staff Jeff Momsen and Jimmy Olson. Jeff contributed eight points and James seven.

Not as balanced was the rebounding. Mr. Olson and Momsen pulled down 12 rebounds between them. The next victory will come at Westmont January 11. Tonight Coach Anglus will send his charges against a tough Leigh squad.

AGA Opens Memberships

All girls who are interested in becoming members of A.G.A. second semester may try out on Monday, January 17, at 3:15. The tests will be given by seniors now in Girls Sports. For additional information, girls should talk to their gym instructor.

The A.G.A. hockey season is well in progress. Since Christmas vacation the girls have played Los Gatos, Campbell, and Westmont. Against Los Gatos, Eyerman's team won one and tied one, while Stockard's team tied one and lost one. Scores of the Campbell and Westmont games were not available at the time of printing. HJ, Orville!

As far as class competition goes, Morgan's team is in first place with a perfect record.

On Wednesday, January 12, Girls Sports sponsored a Game Night in the gym. They invited girls in Orchestis, synchronized swimming, and after-school sports.



Jackie Croner in Action Against Saratoga B.P.C.



SPORTS



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One Second 'Miracle Shot' Gives Ravenswood Shocking Upset over Favored Braves, 49-48

Dennis Awtrey Ties Central Coast Record

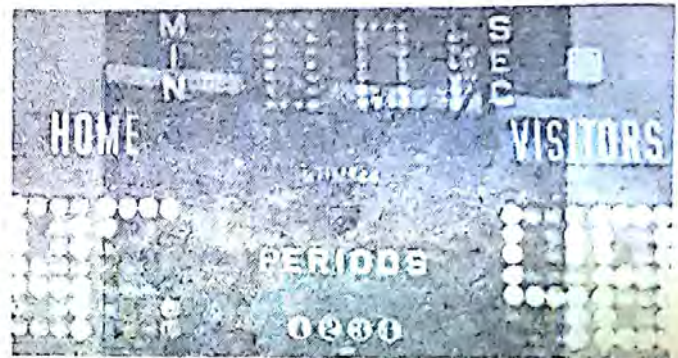
Ravenswood forward Thomas Lowery turned probable defeat into an astounding victory when he shot in desperation as the buzzer sounded.

The ball never touched the rim as it rippled the cords of the net to give the Trojans a "storybook ending" 49-48 victory over a stunned Blackford team in the championships of the Buchser Tournament.

Ravenswood took command at the half, 30-23, and never looked back until the final 10 seconds when Brave ace Dennis Awtrey shot three times, making the last one good, to tie the score 47-47. Dennis was fouled by Trojan Joe McNair with one second remaining. Awtrey made the free-throw that put Blackford ahead 48-47.

Blackford Reached Finals Easily. The Braves coasted to the finals by swamping Santa Clara, and Camden. Ravenswood did not make it so easily. Buchser forced Ravenswood to come from behind and win in overtime, 53-52.

Dennis Awtrey was voted the most valuable player award for his outstanding play. Awtrey and Ron Green were selected



That's how the scoreboard looked as Awtrey put the Braves ahead with one second left. Freiling Photo

on the all tournament team.

The Sunnyvale Tournament proved to be another big upset when the Braves fell to well-balanced San Carlos in overtime, 74-72 in the championship.

Blackford led by as many as 15 points at one time but could not hold on as San Carlos took advantage of excessive fouls to battle to a 68-68 tie.

Dennis Awtrey proved to be a strong choice for All American honors as he tied the All Central Coast scoring record in one game with 44 points against Sunnyvale.

59-36 Romp over Los Gatos Leaves Braves with 27 Wins

Extending its league win record to 27 in a row, Blackford's Varsity hoopers started off the new season with an impressive victory over an apparently exhausted Los Gatos team 59-36. Dennis Awtrey increased his scoring total to 273 points in 11 games as he led all scorers with 24 points.

Although the Braves looked impressive on the scoreboard, statistics showed that the cagers played a relatively poor fundamental game as the Wildcats forced the Braves into 11 bad passes and 12 fumbles (five of them by Dennis Awtrey). Contributing to the scoring column was Ron Green with 14 points, Mike Ucci, and Doug Bowser with 6, and Neil Sinnor with 5 points.

27-11 Halftime Lead

Blackford jumped off to an early lead with a 14-6 first quarter total. Nine of those 14 points were scored by Dennis Awtrey. Almost repeating their

performance, the Braves rid-dled the Wildcats to only 5 points as the half ended with the scoreboard leaning to Blackford 27-11.

Pulling down a total of 16 rebounds and adding 11 points in the third quarter, Dennis Awtrey finished the game with 24 points and captured a 4 point lead in the WVAL scoring race. Dal Mar's junior ace, Bill Drozdiah, tallied for 20 points in their 60-55 win. As the first encounter of the WVAL league ended the predicted title contenders lived up to their potentials with Blackford, Leigh, and Del Mar bagging victories.

Frosh - Soph Wins Opener

The 1965-66 wrestling season is closing fast with only a few matches remaining. Recently the Braves met the Bucs from Campbell with a 31-13 victory.

The Braves did not fair too well in the 1965-66 WVAL NOV-ICE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT held at Los Gatos High School. Blackford's grapplers managed a team score of 43 total points. Outstanding wrestlers were Bloomfield, Rotho, Rock, and Weggins with second places and Plasecki with a third. The Braves ranked fifth over all out of the many participating teams.

January 13, will be the date of official league tournament weigh-ins.

March 24-26 will be the NCAA Invitational. The site will be Hill High School in San Jose.

The next match will be with Leigh on the fourteenth and Saratoga on the twenty first.

WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Date	OPPONENT
1/7	Los Gatos*
1/14	Leigh
1/21	Saratoga*
1/28	Camden
1/29	Westmont Tournament
2/4	Westmont
2/8	Del Mar*
2/12	League Finals. Leigh

*HOME GAMES