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B. Kimura ASB Prexy

Senior Brian Kimura emerged as the new Blackford ASB President in the recent election. Carl Hanson, Duane Kubo, and Rick Lee were elected council members.

The revised constitution failed to pass due to a lack of communication between the Council and the students. Revision of the Constitution was discussed in three separate council meetings with representatives.

The daily bulletin carried announcements notifying the student body that ratification of the new Constitution would be on the ballot. 10 copies of the Constitution were available to the student body in the library, two copies in each study hall, and two copies in each administrative class.

Through the announcements in the daily bulletin the student council expected the student body to be aware of the Constitutional revisions.

The student council considered composing an information sheet concerning the new Constitution, but decided against it because they believed this would constitute excessive coaching.

The council was and is now willing to compose and publish an information sheet listing the constitutional revisions any time the student body indicates through their representatives that this is what is wanted.

The newly elected class officers are: Brian Kimura, ASB President; Duane Kubo, Student Body President; Carl Hanson, Student Body Vice President; Rick Lee, Student Body Treasurer; and Gene Gilluly, Student Body Secretary.

Senior Boys Talk Draft

By Jim Meador

"Uncle Sam wants you!" and he's out to get you one way or another. First of all, failing to register with the Selective Service Board (the draft), is punishable by \$10,000 fine or five years in a state penitentiary or both. And, with the war in Viet Nam what it is today, a boy 18 years or older is likely to be seeing a lot of South East Asia. This is what was covered by the Armed Forces assembly Thursday for the senior boys in the big gym. They were given a very brief summary of what each service had to offer in schooling and other points of interest. After the introduction, there was a discussion period opened to questions concerning any of the Armed Forces. Many questions were cleared up during this time.

Guitar Dates 1000 B.C.

"It" originated in the East before 1,000 B.C. The Greeks made it their national instrument. It is by far the best-selling of all musical instruments. It can go anywhere, be played by anyone, and turn out millionaires overnight.

"It", of course, is the guitar, plucked by musicians from Paganine to Presley.

Of the 39,000,000 amateur musicians in the United States one out of four play the guitar. As one indication of the instrument's attractiveness to businessmen, C.B.S. paid more for a guitar company than it did to buy control of the New York Yankees.

The guitar comes in more than 1000 different models, ranging in basic price from \$25 to \$1,000. In addition to the "pop" music devotees, there are more than 35 classical guitar societies with thousands of members.



Blackford's newly appointed Student Council, with Brian Kimura as A.S.B. President, stand erect and with self assurance that they can lead Blackford to new and better things in the coming months.

Spring Fashions Scintillated By Bikinis, Evening Gowns

By Rick Lee

A Spring Fashion Show highlighted by the commentating of Jackie Keywood was presented before a fairly large crowd Thursday evening. Jackie's rather informal remarks delighted the audience. Several loud guitars were heard when Jackie pointed out, "This type of dress looks particularly well on someone tall and skinny like the model, Debbie Embody."

The fashion show was Jackie's semester project for her home economics class.

Other models were, Sherry Carver, Diane Cucuzza, Jan Grayson, Diane La France, Eloise Olsen, Vickie Hernsen, Kathy Fry, Debbie Dougherty, Robbie Ware, and Marilyn Peterson.

The clothes ranged from bikinis to elegant evening gowns. In describing the advantages of Wash'n'Wear, Jackie commented, "These clothes are good for you lazy people." Another humorous moment occurred

when a model could not take off her cape-jacket because, as Jackie put it, "She insufficient undergarments on."

The fashions were from Bergman's in Willow Glen, Mix & March and Carsons in San Jose. The fashions were displayed at the Hacienda Cafeteria, shopping center, Girlfriend of Saratoga and the Parthenon in Sunnyvale.

Gilluly Appointed Blackford's AFS Envoy

"Don't look now, but Gene Gilluly's gone!" or will be gone on February 15 for Costa Rica. Gene was chosen as Blackford's A.F.S. exchange student and follows in the footsteps of Rick Hansen and Marty Ernster.

Gene will fly to Costa Rica on Feb. 17, where he will be greeted by the Villalobos family. The Villaloboses have a daughter and two sons, one of which is an A.F.S. student in Elmhurst, Illinois. When Gene was asked how he'll like his new family, he answered, "I don't know. I've had three years of German and

not one of my hosts speaks any English. It's going to be interesting, at least until I pick up a little Spanish."

Gene will take a ten-month school course at Liceo de Heredia, a socio-economic school. He will attend classes 30 hours a week with afternoons off. Gene's subjects include Spanish, English, mathematics, physics, chemistry, psychology, religion, history, cosmography, civics and P.E. Gene is extremely excited about the trip and is going to write back to Blackford as often as he can.

New Teachers For BH Faculty

Blackford boasts two new teachers this semester, Mrs. Sherrill Morgan in French and U.S. History, and Mr. Bill Holland in World Civilization.

Mrs. Morgan, a Stanford graduate, taught last year at Berkeley High. Mrs. Morgan said that there is a vast difference in the two campuses. Blackford is spread out whereas Berkeley isn't.

Mr. Holland, a SJS grad, is doing post-grad work at Stanford. Next year he'll help coach the varsity football team with Mr. George Pesur. Mr. Holland has high hopes for next year's team.



Gene Gilluly is congratulated by Principal Verdun Romer on his acceptance as Blackford's AFS representative. BPC Photo



WAR PAINT

By Sharon Werstler

Tuitions are necessary for maintaining good academic colleges. It would help to pay for good and unbiased educators; for new and up-dated equipment; and last of all it will keep the LSD-for-lunch-bunch at home for trips, instead of on the campus.

What our colleges need are more good teachers of better quality. When the wages are low, the administration can't be too particular about whom they hire; with higher wages, the qualifications must also increase.

In the field of science, modern equipment is essential. After four years at college a student wants to be able to use his knowledge in the profession he undertakes. There is no sense in learning from old, out-dated, equipment, unless after graduation, he plans on working with old out-dated equipment.

A student who is willing to pay his way through is more apt to take school more seriously and do a better job in his studies.

With the college population on a steady rise, maybe the tuition "idea" will slow it down.

A tuition program will no doubt keep a few deserving students out. If a student has enough desire, pride and intestinal fortitude—he can make it! Everyone is entitled to an equal education, but there is no sense in wasting an educator's time, the state's money, or the space taken by a student who's just going because his mommy thought it was a nice idea.

Editorially Speaks

By Martha Griffin

One could hardly consider it "news" that Governor Ronald Reagan has proposed the establishment of tuition along with a 10 per cent cut in the budget for state colleges and universities next year. However, it might be news to some students at Blackford exactly what effect these proposals will have on them.

The budget cut alone will effect an estimated 22,300 new students throughout the state, and the enrollment cuts would concentrate primarily on freshmen students who only last December thought they would easily be admitted to a state college or university and may find themselves attending junior colleges. Even those accepted at state schools may find themselves faced with unexpected tuition—tuition that many simply will not be able

Signal 30 Ends Four-Year Run

"Signal 30" is dead! Cause of death multiple abrasions and contusions.

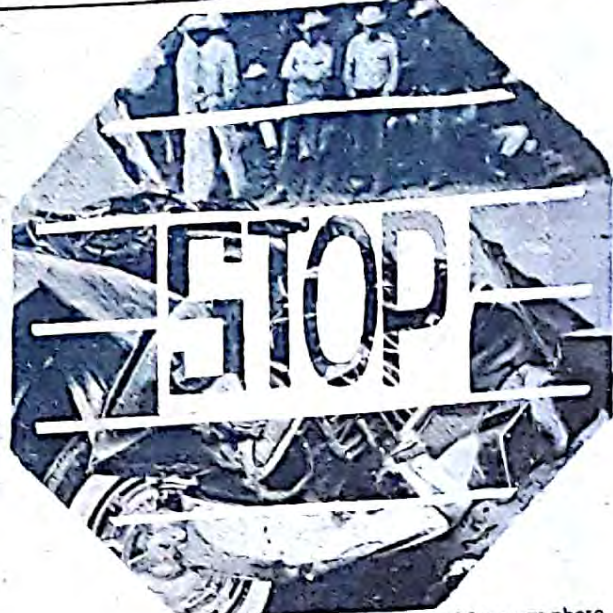
The famed film played to a packed house for six periods a day, one day a year, for four years.

The purpose of the film was to show "just-beginning-to-drive" sophomores what can happen if they get careless.

The film was in full living (mostly dead) color. Blood-red, choking purples, and charred human remains were all part of the picture. "It's hard to say if the point was put across; we sure hope so," explained Mr. James Culp, head of Soph. Science Department.

"Signal 30" has gone to the Great Projector in the sky.

to pay. Thus even these students will be relocated to "overcrowded" junior colleges.



Courtesy Mercury photo

HE PLEADED, "Oh, God! Let me die! Let me die!"

David Eastman

"One Halloween night, four young people were driving to a party. Bill, the driver, was very concerned about his parents' heated argument two hours before. He unconsciously drove the car recklessly and disregarded caution signs. Going through a park, he was pushing his Chevy well beyond the speed limit on the narrow, winding road. A sharp curve loomed. He desperately braked the car but it careened off the road into a utility pole. Three of the teenagers received minor injuries, but Helen—who had sat in the front seat—was killed when her chest was crushed against the dashboard. When the police arrived, Bill was pleading, 'Oh, God! Let me die! Let me die! --Safety Last.

The above example represents one of the extreme problems among some teen-age drivers; reckless driving because of disturbed feelings. The problem is born in the mind of the

teenager who feels his home life is insecure. The teenager's life is filled with arguments between he and his parents which result in constant ill feeling between them. The teenager has no adequate outlet for his growing persecution, so he inevitably takes out his anger with a car. He recklessly drives exceeding speed limits, disregarding general traffic laws, and scorning the safety of pedestrians. Psychologist Joseph E. Higgins stated, "When you have a youngster who is disturbed, as so many of them have reason to be, you have a real time bomb." Consequently, the despair ticks on until the teenager becomes a killer.

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By Mr. Ron Bender

California Taxpayer's Association has recommended reasonable tuition be charged at state colleges. I am in complete agreement with this statement. The key word is reasonable: fees charged at University and state colleges are inflated and not all necessary. At UC 20% of \$245 fee goes for capital outlay and debt service, which should be reduced or eliminated. To improve education of the poor, subsistence grants and scholarship funds are needed. Recently, eight new federal and state scholarship fund programs have been set up. Reasonable tuition coupled with a look at "fee system" would put state colleges on a self paying basis at no harm to students.

FACULTY FORUM



By Mr. W. L. Nelson

I take pride in being a citizen of a state that thinks enough of its youth to provide them with a free education at a world famous university or a fine state college system.

To use tuition as a gimmick to solve short term financial problems is foolish. It will save pennies and waste dollars. Millions of dollars of highly technical and tax productive industries are lured to this state by our excellent and free higher education system.

Tuition may make good political sense because those who must bear the burden are too young to vote but it makes poor economic or educational sense. I hope the proposal is soundly defeated.

ad lib

Every person has his own definition of sheer, unadulterated misery. Here are a few "his" and "her" versions, respectively. Do they sound familiar?

Misery is...having tests in all your subjects on the same day... a leaky pen in your pocket... your middle name...having your father as principal...holding your mother's purse while she's trying on clothes...looking at your bed with an hour's homework to do...

Misery is...sleeping on jumbo rollers...having to go to the bathroom during an IQ test... knowing no one but your blind date at a party...an eyelash caught in a lash curler...worrying about milk of magnesia...a pair of stretched-out underpants...Having your mother say, "Are you all right, dear?" when you aren't...



Charlie wants to go too! Lance Photo

Poor Charlie

Mut Makes Blackford Home Miss Ellis, Oscar Explain

His name? Would you believe Charlie Brown? Known to many people around campus is an ugly brown looking mut named Charlie. Rumor is that his first home is somewhere on Underwood Drive—and his second home is Blackford.

Charlie isn't just the ordinary mut that he looks. He's very smart and seem to outrun and out-wit Chief Custodian Oscar Johnson whenever he tries to catch him. Poor Charlie has been seen being chased away with brooms, rocks, and various other things. Mr. Johnson said of Charlie, "Oh, the little mut; I wish he'd stay home!" He said that if people would take better care of their animals that they wouldn't have to come to the school and eat left-overs from lunch. Oscar seemed upset over Charlie's attendance at school. However, towards the end of the conversation he stated, "Poor thing; it'd be awful lonely around here without someone to chase away or without his fierce bark, if Charlie ever left."

Miss Adrienne Ellis claims she even had Charlie doing

tricks for her. She says he knows how to sit, speak, and even knows how to play field hockey with the girls in P.E. We all know deep down we hate to see him leave. We love our Charlie Brown.

Silk and Velvet, Grace Room 41

When you think of a math class room, you don't generally think that there will be art work on the wall. That is unless you are in one of Mrs. Alice Mitchell's math classes.

"The pictures that are in a geometric design can be made from a formula," stated Mrs. Mitchell.

Mr. Glen Holtby is helping Mrs. Mitchell with the formulas for the pictures.

The pictures are made out of velvet and silk thread. Anyone who would like to see them is welcome to go into Room 41 and take a peek.

Sophomores Await Trip Frosh Opinions Stay Unchanged

Mr. Armitstead, Blackford Director of Education, announced that Sophomore Class students will visit the Vocational Guidance Center to be held at the Santa Clara County fair grounds March 1.

Representatives from industrial, business, and professional fields will donate their time and explain vocational opportunities in their line of work.

School buses will be used and will depart at 8:45 a.m. All students will return in time for afternoon classes.

"They think they own the school!"

Freshmen--does that sound like one of your pet peeves about seniors? It should surprise you to learn that those words were uttered by none other than Bob Hennig, a Blackford senior. No, Bob wasn't referring to the faculty, the student council, or the sea gulls in his statement. The question that prompted Bob's exclamation was, "What is your gripe about seniors?"

Other members of the class of '67, when asked the same question, made the following remarks:

Greg Newgard: They think they can step on all the freshmen.

Leslie Fujino: They're fine, only there's a lemon in every crowd.

Westmont "67ers" had the following reactions to the question:

Bob Bisnett: They are just too darn bossy and conceited. Kris Segerstrom: They think they're better than everyone. Bob West: They're all bigger than I am.

SENIOR BALL

SAT. FEB 18
9:00-12:00
75 SO. 11th St.

Cheerleaders, Song Girls Spell out the Spirit Rules

By Chris Yoshitora

Is spirit something that the cheerleaders and song girls have a monopoly on? Blackford Braves have answered a resounding "No!" to this question by their tremendous support of the Varsity and Frosh-Soph basketball teams in league games. Attendance has been excellent and the noise output gym-shattering on many occasions. We are now within a few points of capturing the coveted League Spirit Trophy--with a little more effort it can be ours!

The following simple rules can make the Spirit Trophy at Blackford a reality:

1. Wear white and sit in the rooting section. Remember; only those wearing white may sit there.
2. Please! Leave all cowbells, air horns and other artificial noise-makers at home.

They detract points from spirit judging and will be confiscated if brought.

3. Cooperate with and follow the cheerleaders and song girls.

4. No booing or heckling at anytime. Your opinion of the officiating won't change anything and will lose us spirit points in the meantime.

5. Maintain complete silence during the free throws regardless of the score. Sometimes absolute quiet can be more unnerving than all the whistles and catcalls in the world.

6. Always stay for the hymn after night games and sing.

School spirit at games is often the only criteria other schools have to judge us by, so let's continue to show them that Blackford has good sportsmanship and team loyalty by coming to the games and yelling!



Mountain crushed Anglia in junkyard.

Mountain Sends Anglia To Smelly, Lonely Home

Parked in its lonely third row parking place in an old smelly dirty junkyard is Dave Putnam's slightly crunched 1961 Anglia.

Dave's cream white Anglia was spirited by a 1,100 cc 86 h.p. Anglia Lotus with dual Webers until he decided to start customizing it.

Dave started back from Santa Cruz at 10 p.m. on August 16 and got all the way to 4/10 of a mile below Skyline Blvd. when he met a mountain out to change the lines of his Anglia. The mountain started by pushing the right front fender in, flipping his Anglia on its side and also pushing his head into the windspread.

Dave wasn't satisfied with the new lines put on his car so he had it towed to its lonely spot and bought another Anglia with the same old lines and interior.

FROSH-SOPH NEARING CROWN

The Blackford Frosh-Soph basketball team is nearing the championship for the West Valley Athletic League. With one half of the season already completed, the younger Braves were undefeated, compiling a 7-0 record, and a two-game bulge over the rest of the field.

The second half of the league season started Friday night, February 3, as the Braves upped their league lead to three games over second place Campbell, by scalping the Bucs 44 to 32.

The Braves jumped to a 23-18 lead at half time and never trailed from then on in. The hot shooting tribe was paced by the scoring of guard Alan Taketa.

Taketa pumped in 11 points before being taken out of the game early in the fourth quarter.

Setting up the Frosh-Sopher's

the Frosh-Soph is Coach Terry Stogner's ability to go to his strong bench, when the situation calls for such action. Coach Stogner can go to guards Mark

will not give anything away to their opponents.

The great balance of the team is one of the reasons why they are 8-0 up until now. The line defense is anchored by the shot blocking and rebounding of the big front line consisting of Dave King, Dave Henderson, and Greg Ojeda. On offense the team is averaging close to 40 points per game. Each player is capable of scoring in double figures.

With just six more games to go, the little Braves only need to worry about Leigh as a title threat. If they can get to Leigh on February 14, with a 9-0 record, a win over the Longhorns would clinch the league crown for the Braves.

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play is Gary Gilbert. Rounding out the scoring are Greg Ojeda, Dave King and Dave Henderson, along with Taketa.

One reason for the success of

Mengo and Dale Yoshihara, or to forward Byron Woodhead, and still keep the strength on the floor. In this way, the starters can get a rest, and the team

Feb. 10 F/S basketball - Westmont @ Blackford 7:00 p.m.

Feb. 11. Wrestling - WVAl League Finals -Host TBA

FEB. 14 F/S basketball-Leigh @ Blackford #:20 p.m. Varsity Basketball-Leigh @ Blackford

Feb. 17 F/S Basketball-Blackford @ Los Gatos 7:00 p.m. Varsity Basketball-Blackford @ Los Gatos

Feb. 18 Wrestling-C.C.S. Finals - Host, S. San Francisco High

Feb. 21 F/S Basketball-Blackford @ Camden 3:30 p.m. Varsity Basketball-Blackford @ Camden

Blackford's Varsity Wrestlers Drop 2-in-a-row To Grapplers From Westmont And Del Mar

Blackford's Varsity Wrestling Team came upon its toughest opponent yet this season when they tangled with Westmont's Warriors, led by 370-pound Carlos Avila. Up to this point in the season the Braves Matmen had an even win-loss standing at two wins and two losses. The match, held at Westmont, proved to be disastrous for the Braves grapplers, led by heavyweight John Bloomfield. After the last match had been completed the score read Westmont 41, and Blackford 6. There were only two high points in the match for the Braves, the decision awarded Patrick, 5 to 2 in the 156's and the decision awarded Brock, 2 to 0 in the 112's.

Friday, February 3, the Braves again came upon a tough opponent. They were again defeated, 43 to 11 by Del Mar. The only Braves highlights of this meeting were the decisions awarded to John Bloomfield and George Feliciano and a pin by Mike Tombaro.



Varsity wrestlers doing battle with a dynamic challenger. Photo by BPC

The Super 'Snooper!'

With only a few more games left to play in the current varsity basketball campaign, and with the race for the league crown such a tight one, the big question is, who is the team that is going to capture the league championship.

Here are a few of the opinions from the Blackford students and faculty:

John Bloomfield: Del Mar. Because of Droziak and because they beat Blackford.
Coach Dempsey: Del Mar. Because of Droziak and Radanich. But they can be beaten again. Leigh will probably beat them.

Coach Pesut: I really don't know. Del Mar looked like they would but now Leigh looks real good. Camden is the dark horse. Del Mar has more experience, and better players. All they have to do is start to jell.

Rich Manfre: Leigh. I just think that they're a strong team and could win it.

Coach Brkljaich: Who do I think will win? The team that wins the most games. You can quote me on that.

Chuck Pottler: I think that Del Mar will win it because they have probably the best all around team. They have the best first five in the league.

VARSITY CAGERS PULVERIZE CAMPBELL AND SARATOGA

Tuesday afternoon, January 31, proved to be the Braves' lucky day as they beat the "Birds" from Saratoga High School 48-40. The Braves jumped off to a slim 21-19 lead at halftime, which wasn't quite enough to hold Saratoga's third quarter surge, as they went ahead 32-31. The fourth quarter proved charitable to Black-

ford as they connected on 10 free throws. Neil Sinnott and Jim Olsen hit four charity tosses apiece to lead the Braves to a 17 point quarter to succumb to "Bird" 48-40.

Jeff Momsen lead the way in scoring with 14 points with Neil Sinnott and Jim Olsen backing him up with 11 and 10 points respectively.

The Braves took advantage of Campbell's slow start as they jumped off to an early 18-8 lead which helped to sustain the Bucaneers' second quarter surge. At intermission the Braves were out in front 28-24. After half-time the Bucs came back on court with an "upset victory" on their mind. And there first win of the season. On the other hand Blackford came on the court to win their third consecutive game, which they eventually did 54-40. A cold second half for Campbell who shot but 17 per cent from the floor led the way for the "Varsity Men."

Rodney Adams picked up the slack in scoring as he took the games honors with 13 points. Usual high man Jeff Momsen was held to 8 points.

AGA Accepts Twenty-one For Girls' New Semester



Miss Ellis, director of Girls' Sports. Photo by BPC

After testing on the 25th, Miss Adriene Ellis and Mrs. Lee Squier accepted 21 girls for the new semester. These include seniors Kim Banfield and Diane Harness; juniors Dottie Argo, Nancy Butler, Debbie Embody, Jackie Keywood, and Adele Muzzio; sophomores Kathy Cacallori, Paula Hatt, Lina Jeong, Peggy Lindsay, Tiare McMillan, and Darlene Pietrusiewicz; and freshmen Eve De Drule, Sue Gallinger, Doris Getsla, Gerry Hargreaves, Kathy Kelly, Gail Murdock, Kathy Ryan, and Nancy Zebell.

The present members of Sports have just completed their hockey season and are entering basketball and volleyball.

COME SUPPORT YOUR TEAMS