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Peds Write Own Book

"The workshop has helped me in teaching my class' present unit on the newspaper." This comment was made by Mrs. Louise Chew, who along with Mr. Frank Loewus and Mrs. Gabrielle Sabatelli, attended a teacher's and writer's workshop during the summer at California State College of Hayward.

Purpose of the workshop was to instruct teachers in proper use of the newspaper in the classroom. Guest speakers included the college's English professors and English teachers in the field of writing and journalism. During the workshop, the teachers were given study projects to work on and they later compiled a practical handbook of journalism skills and usages. The books were printed and distributed to the participating teachers and the books are now being used by students of the Hayward campus. The week long course will be offered again this year.

Yarchever Takes Fourth-Conroy Proceeds On To State Competition

The speech representative from Blackford has done it again! Repeatedly the speech teams have given Blackford a name which deserves to be repeated, with respect around the forensics circles of the community. On April 1, Dennis Conroy placed second in a contest which was represented by schools from all over the Bay Area. With this second place

rating, Dennis will be able to go to Santa Barbara to compete in a state-wide speech contest, with the other top people in our state.

Sherri Yarchever was awarded an honorable mention, coming in with a fourth place. The topics which the contestant used were either original or non-original.

B. Kimura 'Runs' City

How does it feel to be Director of Public Health of the City of San Jose for one day?

Just ask Brian Kimura, A.S.B. president. Brian was among 18 young men selected from all over the valley to represent their schools at the annual Boy's City Day on Wednesday, April 5. The youngsters, scholars, athletes and student government leaders were sponsored by the San Jose Optimist Club. They accompanied city officials on their rounds of decision-making so that they might better understand the everyday function of city government.

Administrative Analyst Tom Long's counterpart who turned out to be Brian, accompanied him for an impressive afternoon.

Brian's enjoyable day began with a 7:30 breakfast at Lou's Village. Later lunch consisting of a steak dinner at the City Hall.

Brian smiled, "It was a great experience meeting the many leaders of our community and learning how different departments of the city run."



Seltzer Is Cited As Homemaker

BHS has a winner--one of the best too, the top 10 in California Blackford senior Selene Seltzer was among 50 senior girls at Blackford and 50,000 throughout the state taking the "Betty Crocker Search for the Homemaker of Tomorrow" test on December 6 of last year.

Selene commented that the test contained much on the students' attitudes toward home life, as well as the basics of home economics--cooking and sewing. The girls were asked to write an essay on how to combine marriage and a career, the problems faced in that situation, and how to solve them.

She was surprised at the amount of nationalism and patriotism included in the test. She plans to major in nutrition at the University of California at Berkeley.



Sharon Ross Collects \$95

By Mike Rock

In the recent KLIV Surf Decal Contest, junior Sharon Ross collected \$95. However, it didn't come easily.

Tuesday morning at 10:30, Sharon was sitting under her hair-dryer listening to KLIV, when Ray Morris announced license plate number NIX 913. That was the license number of the car belonging to Sharon's sister-in-law. Sharon had entered it in the contest. Almost in shock, she tore out of the room and called the radio station,

getting through after two songs, and verifying the license number. The lady who answered told her that she had until 5 p.m. to pick up her check but the person who had to sign it wouldn't arrive at the station until 3:30 p.m. She arrived at KLIV at 4 p.m. but to her misfortune learned that she had to bring her sister-in-law's car.

After that hectic experience, Sharon made it to the station with a whole five minutes to spare.

B. Glatzel, R. Lee Attend Confab For California Key Club Elections

"Hey you!" snapped an alert Sergeant-at-arms as Rick stood fumbling with a water balloon. You could say Rick was "caught holding the bag" when a fellow key clubber ran by and shoved a water balloon at him gasping in an out-of-breath blurge, "Here, hold this." Before Rick realized what had happened he was facing a sergeant-at-arms

attempting to explain the incident to a rather disbelieving pair of ears.

This was one of many humorous incidents that involved Bruce Glatzel and Rick Lee at last week's Key Club District Convention, held at Asilomar State Park, near Monterey, California.

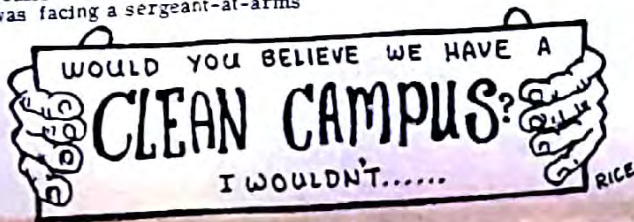
Cheerleader Tryouts Soon

Attention all interested and eligible cheerleader and song girl applicants!

Graduating song girls (Jan Crump, Jill Nygren, and Chris Yoshihara) and cheerleaders (Laura Dias, Ann Hulsey, and Helen Moody) will assist those trying out for cheerleader or song girl beginning April 17, the first of a four-day workshop. The graduating spirit leaders will teach all of the applicants one routine. The semi-finalists must prepare one original routine. Workshops will be held from 3:20 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Braves' gym.

On Monday, May 1, 12 semi-finalists will be selected for both song girls and cheerleaders. Tuesday, May 2, the six song girls will be selected. All those voting on the song girls will include student council members, Spirit Commission advisors, the music director, graduating song girls and all class officers.

A rally will be held on May 4 at which time semi-finalists for cheerleader will try out in the plaza before the entire student body. On May 5, voting for the six final cheerleaders will take place.



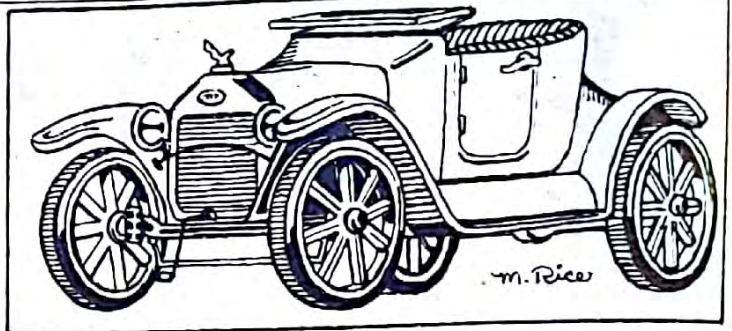
American Females Baffled By 'Horseless Carriage'

By Sharon Werstler

For many decades the American female has been bewildered by a strange machine known to man as an automobile. In this day and age when the car is of such importance to our economy and way of life, it is essential that even the female populace must know something about it.

The automobile is by no means a new invention. In fact the idea for a steam powered vehicle was developed by Sir Isaac Newton in 1680. The man who is credited with the invention was the Frenchman Nicolas Cugnot in 1769.

The combustion engine which we are commonly associated was the idea of the Dutchman Christian Huyghens in 1678. It was developed by two Americans, the Duryed Brothers in 1893. The vehicle as we know it consists of five basic parts; the heart of the auto is the engine; the mechanical part which transfers the power produced by the engine to the wheels, the transmission; the device which enables the vehicle to be turned in any direction easily, the steering mechanism; the frame which holds every part together; and the body which covers everything.



The car of the past

The male populace is probably saying that any "dumbbell" should know those things, but first they must realize that we haven't spent 10% of our life under a car.

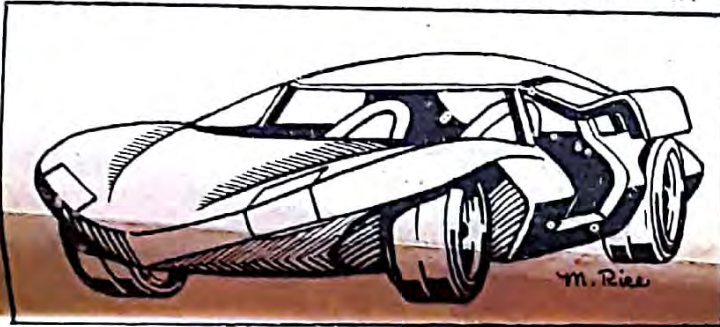
The basics of an engine are as easy as I.C.I.E., The first I is for Intake, the piston draws into the engine with a downward stroke, fuel; the fuel is then COMPRESSED into a highly explosive state with the upward stroke of the piston; then through the help of the spark plug, the fuel is IGNITED and explodes forcing the piston downward; the final stroke upward in the cycle allows for the smoke from the explosion to be discharged through the muffler and exhaust system.

The Sport

The sport of racing is as old as the car itself. In 1912 the race at Santa Monica was won by Telzloff in a Fiat. The distance of the race was 300 miles and the average speed was 78.7 miles per hour. The sport is usually considered one for the male species; however, last year's International Drag Racing Championship was won by Mrs. Sherlee Shahan, a mother of three. The vehicle, a '66 Plymouth, average 132 m.p.h. in the quarter mile.

The Future

The future holds many new and exciting ideas for the automotive industry. Today there are turbine engines in vehicles, which use Kerosine for fuel instead of gasoline. By 1990 the inventors and designers will have successfully developed a vehicle which will ride on a cushion of air. This vehicle has already been tested; however, it must be perfected before it can be sold to the public.



The car of the future

No Senior Sneak Day Unless Bills Are Paid

Mr. Sid Horrigan has one big message for all seniors - GET THOSE BILLS PAID!!!

A full day of fun at Santa Cruz would cost over \$25 for a couple, said the senior advisor. The school offers a day off, plus a big party for the entire senior class and still some students will fail to pay their 25¢ bills and miss the privilege not the right of Senior Sneak Day.

The Senior class owes Blackford High approximately \$671.

The day is rapidly approaching and unless the debt is cleared, maybe only 275 students will be able to go. It is essential that we first accept the responsibility to pay our bill before we think about a good time.

ad lib

By Libby Sherman

Wouldn't it be funny if..... Marty Rice were Marty Wheat, Pat Carpenter were Pat Plummer, Bob Grant were Bob Deed, Patti Bush were Patti Shrub, Sue Somers were Sue Winters, Kathy Fry were Kathy Roast, Carol Cook were Carol Bake, Sherri Carver were Sherri Slicer, Gina Savage were Gine Tame, Sandy Borden were Sandy Foremost, Mr. Hall were Mr. Corridor, Miss Holbrook were Miss Halfbrook.

Mitch French were Mitch Italian, Mr. Hunt were Mr. Find, Mr. Moon were Mr. Mare, Donna Baptist were Donna Presbyterian, Marti Bell were Marti Chime, Rhonda Gray were Rhonda Black, Carol Hawk were Carol Eagle, Barbara Land were Barbara Ocean, Becky Nickell were Becky Dime, Jan Thrash were Jan Whip, Karen West were Karen East,

blackfords' "pigsty" campus

WAR PAINT

Blackford's pride is slowly being drowned in a sea of trash and garbage. Trash is everywhere except where it should be--in the trash cans. Last year when the trash problem was bad, the students responded with, "Well, there aren't enough trash cans on the campus." Though new cans were purchased this year to curb the trash problem, it still exists. "Blackford's campus is one great big trash can. We come to school in it and we live in it," stated Director of Activities Mr. Fred Moon.

Blackfordites are batting 1.000 in the Clean Campus competition with a perfect eighth place out of eight schools. The 16 judges, all agree that Blackford's campus is, "by far the worst looking in the district."

"The problem rests on everyone's shoulders, and I'm not exempting teachers from the responsibility," said Mr. Moon. Even wall-to-wall trash cans can't help when students are simply irresponsible. How hard can it possibly be to crumble a piece of paper and drop it into one of the many trash cans that dot the campus? TRY!!!

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Mr. Like

By Marlene Loidenheimer

FACULTY FORUM

"There should be a Girls' Auto Lab," said Mr. Lowell Like. The reason for this lab would be for the girls to learn a little about cars so they won't get into trouble when buying or having a car fixed.

Turning to the annual Trouble-shooting Contest, Mr. Like stated more boys had turned out this year than last. The main goal of the contest is to instruct and prepare students for rewarding careers with emphasis on importance of high quality and accurate workmanship. Our biggest competitor in this district is Leigh High School, but our chances look good this year.

Frank Loewus Furthers Study At U of Hawaii

Students tend to think of their teachers as being almost in-human--with no other interest outside the subject they teach. Not so with Mr. Frank Loewus, journalism teacher, whose avocation is the study of Far Eastern culture.

Mr. Loewus was awarded a summer scholarship at the University of Hawaii to further his study of this 'fascinating' culture. His Hawaiian stay will last from June 17 through August 10.

Regarding the receiving of this scholarship, Mr. Loewus said that applications were necessary he had to apply. He also added that it was based upon recommendations concerning his scholastic background, interest in the subject, and verifications from his employer.

While in our 50th state, he plans to look up many scholars who have been referred to him by mutual acquaintances. Field trips to cultural and social points of interest are also high on the agenda. Mr. Loewus said that he is most looking forward to visiting the memorial to the Battleship Arizona (the first American ship bombed



Mr. Loewus awarded summer scholarship.

at Pearl Harbor during the second World War).

Mr. Loewus also remarked that he was "very grateful" upon receiving the honor.

THOUGHTS

"Perhaps a great love is never returned. Had it been given warmth and shelter by its counterpart in the Other, perhaps it would have been hindered from ever growing to maturity.

It "gives" us nothing. But in its world of loneliness it leads us up to summits with wide vistas--of insight."

Markings

Dag Hammarskjold

'More than a Name' Andrea Talks About Germany; Schools And Weather Different

For those of you who have heard the name Andrea Reisches at Blackford, that's probably all it is, a name. But to those who know her, she is more than a name. Andrea is our foreign exchange student and she is here via the Youth For Understanding Program. She hails from Hanover, Germany, in the northern part of the country, about two hours south of Hamburg.

As a senior at Blackford this year, she finds our school system much different. In Germany school starts at 8 a.m. and is over at 12:30 p.m. There are no lectures, just class discussions, and most of the written work is done in school, with a minimum of homework. The teachers move from class to class and class size ranges from 20-25 students.

It's No Paradise

If this sounds like a paradise to those of you here, you might bear in mind these facts. Andrea has 14 subjects which include religion, German, English, Latin, math, physics, chemistry, biology, history, government, sports, art, music, and sewing; all of which are required. And they attend school on Saturdays.

Being very fond of her art class and of modern art, Andrea said, "I once wanted to be an art critic, but with that job you can't earn enough money, so I will be a math teacher."

Germany Is Different

Andrea states that she likes the weather here very much. In Germany, it rains a lot in the summer. Their summer consists of about four weeks of 80 degree weather, and winter temperatures drop to about 20 degrees. They have snow and ice as early as December and as late as March.)

Dating cultures, she says, are about the same. They do have teenage night clubs and she enjoys dancing to the sounds of



Andrea Reisches via Youth for Understanding

such groups as the Beatles and the Beach Boys.

What about driving? "Well," says Andrea, "everyone is required to take driving lessons (about fifteen) before they are permitted to take the driving and written tests. But, since each lesson costs about seven dollars, many people do not drive."

KLIV Fight Song Contest Won by Jr. Joyce Krieg

A song writing contest sponsored by San Jose's KLIV radio was recently won by Blackford junior Joyce Krieg.

Last fall, Mac McGregor, publicity director for the KLIV Prunes football team, announced that a prize would be given to the person who wrote the best fight song for the Prunes. Joyce entered a three-verse song written to the tune of "On, Wisconsin".

"I wrote the first two verses while I watched 'The Girl from U.N.C.L.E.'", stated Joyce, "and the third during a U.S. lecture."

In January, Mac McGregor chose Joyce's song as one of the finalists out of the more than 50 entered. An election, in which the entire KLIV staff voted, was the factor that chose Joyce's song as the best of the finalists.

McGregor stated that next year the KLIV disc-jockeys will record Joyce's song and possibly publish it.

J. Finnius Lost; Kangaroo Rat Added

J. Finnius Fink, a Western Gopher Snake, who crawled away Tuesday, March 7, was found six days later under the refrigerator in the biology room. He has been with the biology department for two years. According to Mr. Fred Fisher, biology teacher, someone left the door open and the reptile crawled away.

Another unusual animal the biology department has is a kangaroo rat. It has several distinguishing characteristics; external fur-lined cheek pouches, greatly elongated hind limbs, and short front legs. The tail is tufted and is longer than the total length of the head and body combined. The rat's belly is always white.

They usually inhabit the west and southwest and prefer arid or semi-arid country. Kangaroo rats are especially appealing pets--they seldom bite. Mr. Don Dunton captured the rat at Death Valley by shining a flashlight in his eyes. Anyone is invited to see the snake and rat in Room 11.

wheels

Chevy Powered Willys

Have you noticed Tom McLennan's new wheels lately? If you haven't noticed, Tom has been driving a stock looking 1955 Willys with over sized wheels.

Tom's truck is a 1955 canary yellow Willys Jeep with a conglomeration of other make cars added to it.

Featured extras are a larger, heavier Ford bed, heavy duty suspension and bumpers, and a 1964 283 cu. Chevy engine. Tom doesn't worry about San

Jose's rain slicked roads because his father built the truck for much worse punishment than you can find around San Jose. With the rugged suspension, tires and the extra power provided by big Chevy V8, Tom's Willys can travel through mud, sand and snow filled creeks easily.

Luxuries include a radio, black naughide interior, chrome valve covers, a chrome A-oo-Gaah horn, and a 12 volt electrical system.



Tom McLennan with his 1955 Willys

Blackford Swimmers Whip Past Westmont, Leigh, and Buchser

Bouncing back after defeats dealt them by Bellarmine, Campbell, and a protested loss to Del Mar's Dons, Blackford's varsity swimmers have dominated their coast three opponents.

First team to fall into the clutches of the Braves swimmers was Westmont. The first win of this season, held at the Warriors' pool, saw Coach Worrell's men downing Westmont 66 to 29. The Braves mermen captured first place in

every event except the 400 yard freestyle. Although the times in the races were not outstanding, Blackford's 200 yard medley relay team set a new school record.

Second in line was Leigh. Blackford rolled up a 59 to 36 victory over the Longhorns. In this meet, the Braves; Brent Youngblood paced himself to 56.3 time in the 100-yard butterfly, which is the best time in the Central Coast Section yet



this season. This time also knocked three-tenths of a second off his school record of 56.6 which he turned in earlier this year.

The third victory for the Braves was at the expense of Buchser. Again our mermen dominated every event except the 400-yard free relay and the 400-yard freestyle. Two Brave swimmers were double winners at this meet. These included: Brian Worrell who won the 100-yard freestyle with a 51.0 time and the 50 yard freestyle with a 23.1 time; and Brent Youngblood who captured the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:00.4, and a time of 58.5 in the 100-yard butterfly.

★ BLACKFORD ★ SPORTS

KYA Oneders Down Faculty

By Tim Jarnagan
Station KYA "Oneders" visited Blackford for a game of basketball. Who were the Oneders to play? None other than our fine faculty basketball team. The faculty jumped right off into the lead and ran KYA into the floor in the first half. Half-time didn't prove long enough for the faculty as they came back on the court to struggle to keep their lead. Third quarter play was just too much for the tiring faculty, as they lost their lead and went into the final stanza to lose the game.



Track Coach Johnson Optimistic.

Leading KYA in scoring was Don Delbon and Don Novitsky with 32 points apiece. Novitsky was introduced as being 6'11" but his introduction must have been a joke, as he appeared to be only 6'5" or 6'6". His height was a big factor, though, as he dominated the boards and muscled most of his shots from five feet out. Johnny Holliday who missed his first 16 shots from the floor swished the nets for 22 points.

Leading the faculty was coach Terry Stogner with 21 points. Stogner played a fine game as he had a wide array of passes

that amazed the "Oneders." Previously, according to Johnny Holliday, Terry Stogner and Don Novitsky played against each other in college. Gary Kato hit for 12 points on "long bombs." Dave Johnson scored nine points before fouling out but ended the game with 13. This win was the 28th for the KYA Oneders to 12 defeats. Blackford's faculty ended its season with no wins and two losses. The faculty may have been able to pull an "even season" if they had played Coach George "Points" Pesur, but the coach was lost due to illness.

Varsity "Nine" Back On Trail, Wallops Soquel Varsity, 9-7!

Blackford's Varsity Baseball team outslugged the Varsity nine from Soquel, 9-7, Wednesday, March 29, on the Braves' diamond.

The game was delayed one day due to the recent precipitation, which has been beneficial only to Blackford's beloved pigeons and seagulls. It was the only game played by either the Varsity or Frosh-Soph during the past two weeks.

The hits were plentiful, as both teams were meeting the ball quite frequently. Soquel struck first, scoring twice in the first inning, but the Braves came roaring back to knot the score at the end of an inning. The score see-sawed back and forth throughout the game until it was tied at 7-7. The Braves struck twice more in the late innings to pull it out of the fire.

The victory for the varsity stopped their five-game losing streak, and upped their season's record to two wins and five losses. This was the last game of the non-league slate for the tribe.

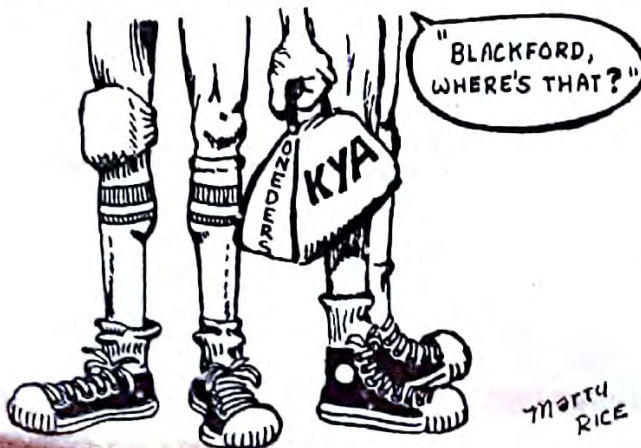
One of the more pleasing sights for Coach Ron Reynolds has been the hitting of sophomore shortstop Greg Ojeda, who went three for three in the Soquel game, and senior left fielder Frank Palermo. Both boys are hitting a cool .583 for the season.

New Coach D. Johnson

Blackford's new track coach, Mr. Dave Johnson, said he thought the varsity cindermen had the best chance to emerge as "league champs." If this is the case, it will be the first varsity track team to do so. Coach Johnson stated that "we are the dark horse, however, no one knows exactly what we have." We have a strong team in all the running events, but the field events lack competitors and depth. To provide a stronger punch on the varsity, Coach Johnson moved up Ken Yocum and Dan Headstrom from the Frosh-Soph team. Yocum, only a sophomore, is Blackford's leading pole vaulter. Coach Johnson feels Mark Chiaravalle and Bill Graham are the team leaders both on the competitive field and the practice field. Chiaravalle and Graham have been taking first places in every meet thus far. "The B's are not real strong, but they are improving," stated Coach Johnson. "Bob Imus is the leader in the B division." "Through hard work the B's can have many bright spots."

Freshmen Pat O'Leary has done an exceptional job along with Whitfield in the Frosh-Soph division. O'Leary has gone 5'4" in the high jump.

"We depend on a handful of young men, what we need is more boys out for track to fill the many empty spots," said Coach Johnson.



From the End of the Bench

By Hennig

"Confidence comes from success. We were successful, so now we're confident. We're ready to take on the league."

Those were the words of Coach Ron Reynolds as he waits for the league season to open, for his varsity baseball team. The Braves were scheduled to host Westmont on April 11.

The league will be tough for the Braves as five of the teams in the W.V.A.L. finished high in the 36 team Lions' Tournament. Coach Reynolds stated, "Camden is the favorite, but they have to beat us twice."

Personnel-wise, the Braves are in good shape for the league season with strong hitting and pitching.

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