



Results of Senior Poll

Bill Le Blanc	Personality	Lois Teixeira
Chad Lincoln	Cutest	Carol Schroeder
Rick Alway	Handsome and Prettiest	Kristie Roberts
Mike Johnson	Smile	Bonnie Cashin
Rick Wilson	Most Dramatic	Merril Markoe
Bruce Ward	Flirt	Marcia Smith
Dennis Schirmer	Eyes, Brows, and Lashes	Kathy Hurd
Bill Hagman	Shy	Linda Newman
Franklin Flocks	Talkative	Jessie Bloch
Dixon Kaway	School Spirit	Brenda Badger
Warren Pierce	Comedian	Sue Shoras
Peder Jones	Done Most for School	Molly Jones
Mike Maloney	Shortest Girl—Tallest Boy	Donna Villalba
Mike Johnson	Hair	Carol Schroeder
Brian Waldier	Sophisticated	Barbara Silver
Randy Grimes	Best Couple	Luzanne Cahalan
Ted Shreve	Athletic	Roberta Stevens
Dick Moldre	Fun to be with	Nancy Eddy
Mike Ricaud	Freckles	Ruth Gardner
Bill Bailey	Best Dressed	Donna Johnson
Bill Le Blanc	Friendliest	Lois Teixeira
Ron Barter	Legs	Kristie Roberts
Peder Jones	Most Likely to Succeed	Molly Jones
Brian Waldier	Build (boy)—Figure (girl)	Kristie Roberts
Jim Kaufman	Teeth	Sue Garcia
Chad Lincoln	Dimples	Sue Ontiveros
Rick Alway	Complexion	Diana Madrid
Chris Hansen	Intelligent	Susan Luebke

Fifteen Woodsiders To Tour France

Mrs. Hirstio, French and German teacher at Woodside will be a chaperone on the American Institute for Foreign Study's trip to France. Fifteen students, twelve from Woodside and three from other schools are going to Vichy, France for a four week study period.

London and Paris will also be visited by the students. Side trips from Vichy will be taken in weekends and after classes Monday through Saturday.

Classes are conducted six days a week from nine until noon. In the afternoon there are many recreational features that Vichy offers. Vichy is a resort town itself and has many natural mineral springs.

The students that are going from Woodside are; Michelle Milard, Steve Adelman, John Voakes, Henry Holland, Ken Kornberg, Mollie McCreary, Nancy Mulholland, Peggy Nelson, Vicki Reis, Trudi Richards, Leigh Pomeroy, and Linda Jacobs. Students from other schools are Merna Black, Jon Kline, and Terry Hartstein.



Susan Luebke



Helene Royce

Luebke, Royce Place First in National English Contest

Woodside seniors Helene Royce and Susan Luebke have both placed first in the annual National Council of Teachers of English contest.

Susan and Helene entered the contest, which is open to all high school juniors, last May. The girls took a series of grammar tests and an essay test. They also submitted a two-hundred and fifty word autobiography and a piece of writing of their own choice.

Susan entered a term paper on Melville's *Moby Dick* and Helene entered an essay on Faulkner's short story "Death Drag."

This is the first time two Wood-

side students have placed first in the contest in the same year. Both students attribute their success in the contest to their "excellent advanced English III teacher Mrs. Hayes."

Susan, this year's CSF president, hopes to attend Stanford University, and Helene who is commission of girl's athletics, hopes to attend either Santa Cruz or Antioch.

'New Barons' Win Battle of Bands at Frosh Class Dance

The freshman class raised \$50 from the freshman dance last Friday. The "Battle of the Bands" was won by the "New Barons" who had also played at frosh night. The members of the New Barons are Bob Thompson, drums; Steve Paladino, tamborine; Chris Croudace, lead guitar; Greg Gunnerson, bass guitar; Jim Burako, rhythm guitar; and Brian Heights, vocalist.

The two other bands were the "Jolts" and the "Headsmen." The "Jolts" members are Nancy McCloskey, tamborine and vocal; John Woodbridge, drums; and Don Dixon, Dink Walkup, and Mark Grasso on the guitars. The Headsmen include, among others, Andy Lee, drums; Kip Hewatt, guitar; and Gary Lampart.

Each band played for 20 minutes, and then each had a 10 minute run-off. The applause showed the New Barons first, the Jolts second, and the Headsmen third. As a prize the New Barons will play at the next freshman dance.

The freshman class has a total of \$50 in their treasury. This will be added to by activities such as car-washes, and more dances, according to Mark Mueller, president of the freshman class.

Christmas Cotillion In M-U Room Tonight

"Red and Silver" is the theme of the Christmas Cotillion which will be held in the multi-use room tonight from 8:00 to 11:00. The dress for the dance is semi-formal. Tickets have been sold for the dance during the week, costing \$1.75 for those students who have a student body card.

The **Renovations** have been chosen to play for the dance; they have played for both KYA and the KEWB Funtown U.S.A. Also, they won Carlmont's battle of the bands, which was held earlier this year.

Special entertainment at intermission has been arranged by Car-

olyn Vece, Social Board Commissioner, and Naila Torpisch, the head of the Entertainment Committee. Santa Claus has been watching the Woodside students during the past year, and he has chosen certain students to receive "special" gifts.

If you want to have your picture taken with Santa Claus, you may sit on his lap. The pictures taken at the dance will only cost \$1.00.

Student Council To Alter Constitution

This year's Student Council will have as its prominent achievements the rewriting of certain parts of the Constitution and the selection of a traditional school ring according to Student Body President Sherwin Bancroft.

First of the great constitutional changes came yesterday with the presentation to the Student Council of a new manner of electing cheerleaders and Pom-Pon girls. The amendment was mainly the work of Brenda Badger, School Spirit Commissioner.

Another change in the Constitution will be the amendment that will make this year's student ring the traditional school ring. The ring that has been chosen was first decided upon by a special president's committee made up of Student Council members. It was then put on display for a week in order for the individual students to make approval. Students voted in their basic course classes and the ring was approved 70-4.

Yesterday, Martin Kimeldorf proposed the elimination of the Constitutional clause requiring school politicians to purchase Student Body Cards. Even though all indications show that it will be eliminated, President Bancroft is still for the original requirement of having to buy one. His reasons are 1) everyone should have one, 2) any school officer should want to buy one, and 3) the Student Body needs the money. The elimination (Continued on Page 2)

Senior Ball Set For February 26

Woodside's Senior Ball, to be held February 26 of next year, is yet without a theme. The music will be provided by Walt Tolleson, and the site of the event will be the Villa hotel in San Mateo. The committee determining the price of bids and tickets is headed by Mike Walker. In charge of refreshments will be Bif Soper. Taking care of the decorations and theme will be Michele Uppman.

The job of electing a Queen for the event will be handled by Rick Alway, and Alida Carleton is in charge of the publicity end of the affair. Any seniors interested in aiding these persons are urged to contact the person, their Senior Board representative, or class president Marty Collom.

Judge Douglas To Earn S.B. Card

Haron Douglas, about which the recent student court controversy was centered, has decided to earn his student body card.

The controversy arose when it was discovered that Douglas, a student court judge whose term ends at the end of the first semester, didn't own a student body card.

According to Student Body Law IV, all student government officials are required to buy a student body card. The Constitution states in Article VIII that student court judges may be impeached for causes including "violations of school rules and regulation."

For these reasons, the board of commissioners sent Douglas a letter stating that they had vacated his office for violation of the Constitution.

However, the Constitution makes no mention of removal of student court judges other than impeachment.

Douglas answered the commissioner's letter questioning the legality in which they removed him from office.

It was then decided by Douglas and commissioners that Douglas would earn his student body card and the commissioners would drop their complaints.



Children aged 2 to 4 have attended the Nursery School sponsored by Mrs. Denny's first and second period Home Management Classes for the past three weeks. Activities offered the children included painting, storytelling, and games. Santa Claus even visited the kids last Tuesday. (Story on page 5)

THE LAST WORD

By Jones

Student discipline has been a problem in high school since those soft-headed legislators passed anti-maiming and anti-lynching ordinances. These have prevented teachers from using that most effective method of keeping students in line: sadistic brutality. But now a substitute can be used; a substitute not as satisfying, perhaps, as good, clean physical violence, but possibly just as effective. The device? The dunce cap. Bring back the dunce cap and the discipline problem will be solved.

The cap will be more effective than the poor excuses for disciplinary devices that are now being used in our high schools. School officials often inflict minor physical punishment on students in hope that it may instill in the students a decent sense of respect, awe, and fear for their betters. This does not work often, because students either ignore the little flesh wounds, or have daddy's lawyer sue the school. Clearly when the school's license to kill was lifted, its hands were severely tied. Also presenting a problem here is the fact that many of the students are able to hit back harder.

The other device currently used to cause students to worry properly about their academic performance is the report card. This little gem does do occasional damage, such as when it finds its way into the hands of a concerned parent. But it doesn't take a genius to figure out that if one keeps a few library books in the locker long enough, the grades will not cause one's decapitation.

Ah, but the dunce cap can succeed where these have failed.

USE OF CAP

The dunce cap should be reserved for those students who refuse to work to their full potential. A high stool should be set up in a conspicuous corner at the front of the room. Any student who refuses to act in the manner of a politely eager student hungry for knowledge will be placed on the stool with a wildly colorful conical hat on the head—an object of ridicule.

The other students will then be encouraged to snigger at him, whisper cutting remarks about him, and in general make him feel

like the loathsome creature he is. The theory that explains the effectiveness of the dunce cap punishment is that nothing hurts a student as much as being humiliated and laughed at by his friends.

The advantages of the dunce cap system are numerous. Dunce caps are economical, easy to use, and non-perishable. One size fits all evil heads. And the revival of this sterling eighteenth century custom strikes a crippling blow at the insidious creeping liberalism that is infecting our high schools today.

Yes, dunce caps are the answer to the problem of keeping high school students in line. And thus the students will be moved one step closer to the lofty plateau of the Puritan way of life that made America great.

Next week: The Bullwhip as Standard Classroom Equipment.

Following week: Your Friend the Cat o' Nine Tails.

A Football Dance In A Pressure Cooker?

By Jane Rogers

The last Woodside all-school dance proved to be very uncomfortable for many due to the excessive heat in the multi-use room. After all, how can 400 jumping, jerking, and heart-pounding teenagers stay cool in a room with no ventilation? Perhaps the multi-use room is too small for such a dance, and maybe dances could be held in the gym. However, with proper ventilation the M-U room can be perfectly comfortable. At other dances in 1964-65, the heat seemed to be no problem, even at such summer events as the Junior Prom. At these affairs, the doors were at least left open.

Rumor has it that the reason doors were closed was to prevent people from leaving and returning. It is school policy that once a couple arrives at a dance, they can not leave without leaving for good. Perhaps if a chaperone were placed at each entrance, the doors could be left open, or perhaps if students adhered to the regulations even such a measure as this wouldn't be necessary.

The blame for this problem can be placed on no one group. However, let's try to make our dances worthwhile by having a room that is at a bearable temperature.

College Visitations

- Jan. 10 Westmont
- Jan. 12 U. of Santa Clara
- U. of Pacific
- Jan. 17 California Western

Student Council Representatives Seldom Represent Student Views

By Bill LeBlanc

When the student council was formed six years ago by Woodside's first class, it was intended to be the main law-making body of student government. It was conceived on the premise that the students should have their direct say in the functions and practices of government in this learning institution with the interests of the school and its betterment in mind.

However, no student council, at this school anyway, has ever functioned as it was meant to. Through the years a long line of very competent presidents and commissioners have tried in vain to get useful and beneficial legislation passed through the student council only to be defeated soundly by the "representatives" from our classes. How ironic it is though, to ask the average student about the happenings of student council and get an ignorant "what council." Too many times important bills are introduced to the council and voted on at the next meeting with only the members themselves really knowing what is happening. Ask yourself how many times your representative has taken a vote in class on an important matter and taken his results back to the council. Aside from this there is a law in the Constitution which states that the representative need not vote in the council as his or class has voted. This law, however constitutional it may be, can possibly lead to a situation where .025% of the student body can make decisions for the other 2,000 people. This matter, though, can be left for further reference.

The real issue is this question: Why hasn't student council functioned as it should? The answers are many and varied. First, the members themselves must be taken into consideration. Is the election of a student council member an election or a popularity poll? What counts towards your election—your reputation as an athlete or the amount of friends you have OR the qualifications you possess as a student leader or past experience or your present goals? How many times have we heard the supposed "campaign" speeches given by prospective council members before the class? How sincere or prepared are these little ditties which have a direct bearing on our student government?

The second thing that must be taken into consideration is the word change. This one simple word has become a dogma to the "in" group of protestors not only here, but anywhere. A certain portion of our council have dedicated their terms in office to changing everything and anything either good or bad. They feel that through change, and change alone, can good come about. However, they tend to forget that change does not necessarily mean progress

and the recent changes in our council have not brought about any success. Why not give the old methods a chance before changing them? Why change from regular student body cards to identification cards and incur a loss of ten percent in sales. The irony of it all is that the same people who thought it such a great idea last year are those that feel it so detrimental this year.

Already this year a bill has been submitted to the council that would have student body cards depreciate even more. This bill would make it possible for non-student body card holders to attend school dances. After all the tumult about poor student body card sales the student council spends one-half of an hour debating a proposition that would make a student body card almost useless to those students that do not attend athletic contests. This bill was finally tabled for discussion at a later meeting. One point that might be interjected here: how many of you know of the proposed bill which was given at a meeting over a week and a half ago?

In conclusion, ask any council member what he has done this year? Ask Sherwin Bancroft and his highly competent group of commissioners how much help they have received this year in running the affairs of Woodside? And finally, ask yourself how much you have done for the school

this year. It's my guess that not many of the members of this school of over 2,000 students can answer that simple question with a positive "I've done my share."

Soph Dance Set For Friday, Jan. 14

The sophomore board has been making plans for the sophomore dance scheduled for January 14, 1966. Plans are being made for a joint sponsorship with the junior class. The board has selected committees in preparation for the dance; the decoration committee will be run by Jan Miller, the publicity committee by Pat Bingham, the entertainment committee by Brent Connor, and the food committee by Sue Harris.

Only seventy-five dollars is presently in the treasury but a successful dance should certainly increase this amount. Most of this seventy-five dollars was earned through the sophomore car wash on October 9.

The sophomore board is also planning a noon movie and a committee has been formed in order to find an interesting film. The noon movie is planned for sometime this spring but the committee is having difficulty in locating an interesting and inexpensive film.

COUNCIL TO CHANGE CONSTITUTION

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ination of the law would only affect politicians, the athletes would still have to buy a card in order to obtain a block.

While making predictions for the future, Sherwin stated that the Student Council may have to curtail spending of student body funds because of the dirth in Student Body Card sales. At the moment, the Student Body is \$900 short on Student Body Card sales. If this money is not made up, money will have to be cut from the athletic department, yearbook, school newspaper, commissioners, and social events (dances, hootenannys, etc.)

In the future, the Student Council plans to explore three money-making ventures: vending machines, student run snack bar, and lights for the football field. President Bancroft believes that he can build wooden enclosures around the vending machines. He also believes that a student run snack bar would be profitable, before and after school (thereby eliminating any conflict with the school cafeteria). Also, President Bancroft believes that putting lights on the football field would not only increase school prestige but would also increase attendance at games. Sherwin foresees difficulty with the school administration on all three of these upcoming Student Council programs.

Literary Magazine Will Be Started Early Next Year

Commissioner of Publications, Jane Rogers, stated recently that there definitely would be a literary magazine at Woodside this year. Plans will get underway after the first of the year, and the magazine will probably be published in late spring of 1966.

The Woodside chapter of the California Scholarship Federation has expressed an interest in such a magazine. CSF has said that it will donate some money toward such an effort. It was also announced that there will be a group of judges from CSF who will judge the entries for the magazine.

The Commissioner of Publications explained that some type of a contest will be held in February or March, possibly sooner. She said that English teachers will receive a sheet of information and rules, which should be read to all students of English.

Although there will be a small charge for the literary magazine, some sort of fund-raising activity will have to be held. The Publication Board and CSF stated that they would appreciate any parent donations.

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■ She went on to tell him that they were among 2,500 students who had flown over from America to study throughout Europe on campuses maintained by the Foreign Language League. Who was the Foreign Language League, he asked. Why, said Mildred, they are the world's largest international school system, a private, nonprofit, non-denominational American school system that has enjoyed such amazing success in teaching through personal experience.



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■ Mildred was enthusiastic when she told the gendarme that French classwork was every bit as pleasurable as the colorful field trips and impressive excursions about Europe. But the best part of all, she added in triumph, was this new-won power, to stand on a street corner in Paris and find delight in conversing so easily in French. (If you would like to learn more about attending one of the Foreign Language League campuses this summer, just use the coupon below. Do it today!)

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A THOUGHT

By David Biasotti

With the coming of the yuletide season a thought comes to mind. It isn't a pretty thought—not covered with red and green foil, decorated with ribbons and labeled "open me first." Curiously enough, this thought concerns children's toys.

One usually sees visions of Raggedy-Ann dolls and cowboy hats and baseball bats when thinking of the toys beneath the Christmas tree—but take a look at the toys in the frosted department store windows this year. You'll see mass-produced push-button plastic and aluminum automations vaguely resembling IBM computers; dolls that can talk, have locomotion—have every human asset save reason (and this writer is informed that Mattel is working on that for next year).

In short, most toys these days do all the thinking for the child. What imagination does a young girl need when her doll can do anything she can, and has a comparable (if not superior) intelligence? Boys don't play with wooden guns anymore, they with a deft flick of a switch set gears in motion and a simulated laser beam tears apart a paper target enemy agent.

The toy business is merely one facet of what seems to be a grand, masterminded, diabolical plot to destroy man's humanity. And who is masterminding this conspiracy? It is hard to pin the culprits down—their number includes every conceivable personage from an ad-man to a scientist, an artist to a city-planner. These conspirators can only be referred to as "they."

First of all man has been gradually shut in from contact with the earth and nature—shut in by steel beams and glass and concrete and tar. He has been penned into a virtual aquarium known as the city and its environs—a zoo in which "they" can conduct their experiments on him and carry on the plot.

Psychologists and criminologists promote the doctrine that man is not responsible for his actions, thus stripping man of his ability to decide his own course in life. After destroying his reason, they denude him of his imagination with toys and television at an early age.

And the day when man has so lost his imagination that he cannot envision a better way of life is the day to be feared. If the trend continues, and the plot is successful, this day is to be expected.

But please do not let this thought bother you—forget it and have a merry Christmas. Ho ho ho, Season's-Greetings, and Joy to the World.

Santa Claus Visits WHS Nursery Kids

Santa Claus was a surprise guest in the first period home management class last Tuesday, December 14. He was greeted with looks of joy, awe, and utter disbelief. Once seated at a table, Santa proceeded to ask the children what they wanted for Christmas. Some, seemingly terrified, answered nothing; others were so anxious, they had to be asked to wait their turn.

Through it all, however, several answers were mentioned, though all very similar. The list included a car, a twinkie(?), a train, a doll that cries, and a Tiny Tears doll. Even the "affluent society" was represented when one child designated that not only did he want a car but, specifically, a Jaguar.

Santa Does His Stuff

In a particular department store, the Santa Claus was walking around talking to the kids, instead of sitting in his own little corner.

He found himself following a mother and her little girl, about three or four years old. They looked somewhat bedraggled, and he thought it would please the girl immensely if he presented himself to her.

So when the opportunity came, he got in front of the couple and knelt in front of them and said to the girl in his best deep-Santa voice, "Ho ho ho!"

The little girl's eyes widened, not with joy, but with abject terror. She took a deep breath and screamed at the top of her voice, "Mommmyyyyyy!" She clung to her mother, sobbing loudly.

Merry Christmas,

—SUE SHELBY

The Eve of Merrimakin'

*The Xmas season
It is explodin'
Sleigh bells ringin'
Stockings loadin'.
You're old enough to "get"
But still for "sendin'."
Ya don't believe in Santa
But still it's fun pretendin'.
Can't you understand
What I'm trying to say?
Can't you feel the joys
I'm feelin' today?
And if our Xmas were white
There'd be no running away
To Squaw, or Alpine, or
Waimea Bay.
There'd be no reason to go
With our Xmas in snow.
My wallet's so sad
As if we'd had inflation.
I'm sittin' here
In gross frustration.
I can't twist the truth.
There is no use in cryin'.
With seven days left
I'd better start my buyin'.
So Alec's, and Woolworth's,
And Cost-Plus stay open.
I'm comin' to see you
Though my bank book's
Almost broken.
Think of all the joy
There'll be on that mornin'
With new toys being broken
And tired parents yawnin'
Who'd stayed up so late
The night before
Wrapping more and more presents
For little ones they adore.
And don't forget one thing
Through all that merrimakin'
WHOSE birthday it is
And why we're celebratin'.*

—Barbara Spain

THE SENIOR

By Pennyworth X. Christian

Greg Pehrson handed out a few Christmas cards in class. Fellow next to me leaned over his head and elbowed me. "Know what them cards say? . . . They say that he wants world peace for Christmas. Ain't that stupid now? How's Santa gonna bring that down your chimney?"

"Sometimes them peaceniks make me so mad—specially them non-violet ones—that I'd like to go up and just start beatin' and kickin' their skulls in. That Pehrson, I'd like to light his face on fire and start stompin' out the flames with some football cleats." He was whispering hotly through his teeth and his face was stiff with blood but he began to cool and said, "It makes me happy that it's Christmas: plasterboard Santas on the roof, (we put Bancroft's plywood Santa in the middle of the street and someone drove a car over Santa Claus and he thought he'd killed him), cardboard snowmen on the lawns, plastic trees nice and symmetrical instead of scraggly and maimed like them real trees used to be, and these plastic white ones you can shine different lights on.

We got a light at home that makes the tree turn every color of the rainbow once every thirty-eight seconds. Aluminum tinsel, styrofoam snow, bakelite figures of Santa and Mrs. Claus and all the reindeer and elfs. Christmas is such a real thing. All them Pehrson peaceniks are yelling that I ain't for real, but that's a lie cause just look at how I sincerely follow tradition and the people instead of idealistically dreaming about thought and jazz. All them abstractions, they'll never come true and if they ain't true, they ain't

for real." He felt like one satisfied philosopher.

Then he looked at me again. "Say! Have you got your shopping done, presents and all?"

"I haven't bought a thing," I replied.

"Neither have I, all mine are five-fingered discounts." I laughed a little and said, "Yeah, only seven shopping days left until Christmas."

He looked at me again. "If you want to buy some, my dad's store is open until nine every night including Christmas Eve. Remember, Christmas is the giving and the buying season. Lucky for you! He is having special sale prices, some prices literally slashed. My uncle's friendly finance company has a special "Teen-ager go in Debt for Life" program to help you out if you are short of money. It's easy to find my dad's store. It's the one downtown with the real ugly telephone pole in front, the one that looks like an old rugged cross. My dad decided to try and cover it up a little so he nailed Santa Claus to it." He laughed.

Pehrson walked by again and my neighbor stopped laughing. He became almost madly serious. "He wrote CHRISTMAS on that card. The low down atheist. All them guys in the Universal Communist Conspiracy are athiests unless they are Jewish. They ought to make those guys that don't even know what He said use some other word. Us good Christian examples can use it with a clear conscience but those conscienceless renegades ought to be made to use Xmas for Clausemas or some other meaningless word."

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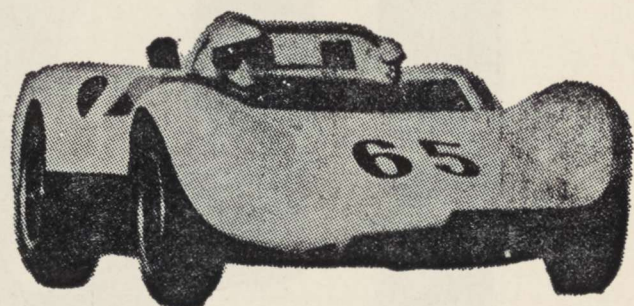


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Starting at Thanksgiving, Americans are bitten by modern Christmas spirit; it is better to receive than to give, and be sure to spend lots of money because that's how distant relatives judge the income of their far away kin.

Most companies take advantage of this, some more than others. Fruit Pak, for instance, puts their whole effort into Christmas and is not heard from during the rest of the year. Furd Motor Company advertises "put a Furd under your tree." . . . just \$10 a week for the rest of your life. Products from deodorants to soda water offer "exquisite" Christmas wrappings on otherwise ordinary products.

But what would happen if people were not so extravagant? Well, December sales would plummet, that's for sure. And what would happen if people stopped buying gifts altogether? What if they made all of their gifts?

First of all, there would be an unemployment problem. One store in New York hires 4,000 to 5,000 temporary salespeople during the Holiday Season. With a drop in sales, these people would not be needed and, therefore, would be let go, or not hired in the first place. Since these hirings are already down 10% to 12% since 1964 (according to Business Week), it could be that something along the line is happening.

Anyway, with no one to buy, the stores would suffer a tremendous backlog and suffer quite a financial loss. To sell all of this extra merchandise, they would have quite a discount sale, but the question is, would the people want all of this extra stuff. Probably not: if there were no Christmas, there seems to be no reason why everyone should go and buy up everything in sight.

Whatever happens, the wholesalers would be in a bad position, too. If the stores send the merchandise back to the wholesalers, they will have a backlog, and if the stores keep the merchandise and sell it gradually, the wholesalers wouldn't have anyone to sell to.

This could back up all the way to the factories, production would fall, and that would be bad news for our economy.

It's possible that this could happen, but not too likely. The American people are not about to give up this great show of wealth. It's too bad that Santa Claus has turned into more of a salesman than a philanthropist, although it's good that the idea still lives on. I guess that's all that really counts, anyhow.

Now, if they'd only pull the Beach Boys' "Little St. Nick" off the radio.

—MIKE SCANDLING

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A Christmas Greeting From Nadja de Carvalho

Christmas! The streets, the roofs, the trees are all covered by snow. In other days those nights are cold and sad, but now, now is Christmas. Contrasting with the cold streets there is in the houses the warmth of the fireplaces. Everybody looks happier than ever. All hearts are glad and full of happiness. Later, at midnight Santa Clause will come, bringing gifts for everyone in the family.

Among the gifts all of you will receive, there will be one you will not see but feel—it is my sincere and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Nadja de Carvalho
—Gina—

'Christmas Time' Is Theme For Nursery

"The nursery school program put on by the Home Management classes," says Linda Adams, "is an excellent experience for those girls who do not receive such training at home."

For the fourth consecutive year, children from 2 to 4 have been participating in an educational program on child behavior in 1st and 2nd period home management classes. Directing the classes activities is Mrs. Jean Denny, home-making teacher.

"The child behavior and care program gives the senior girls practice and experience with children," states Mrs. Denny. "The girls are confronted with problems similar to the ones that they will encounter when they have families of their own."

The girls also feel that this is a good opportunity for mothers to learn how their children react to a school situation and group play.

Activities for the day are divided between small groups of girls. Within the three-week program, each group is responsible for 5 necessary duties: greeting children, preparing a snack, trips to the bathroom, organizing singing, painting, dancing, etc., and cleaning up the room.

The theme of this year's nursery school is Christmas Time. The room is gayly decorated to convey the spirit of Christmas to the children.

The nursery school has also given the boys in Mrs. Denny's foods class the opportunity to observe the children's activities.

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Christmas in Europe

as told by Netta, Gunnar, and Joachim

Christmas is near in the United States, and everyone is excited. This year the foreign exchange students are going to experience our type of Christmas. We asked three of these students; Netta Rafstedt of Sweden, Gunnar Nielsen of Norway, and Joachim Taxis of Germany, to relate what Christmas is like in their countries.

According to Netta, Christmas in Sweden officially begins the first Sunday in December, the first Sunday in Advent. All stores and shops have decorated their windows, and the streets are decorated with lights and evergreen branches. In the evening the main street is closed for cars so that people can walk around in the middle of the street and look at all the decorations.

Then three weeks of advertising, Christmas shopping and hurry follow. The Christmas tree is trimmed the day before Christmas Eve.

"On Christmas Eve," Netta explained, "we have a big dinner with ham and a big smorgasbord (that I'm sure you've heard about)."

Before Santa Claus comes, the oldest person in the house reads the Gospel from St. Luke. Around 8 p.m., when it is snowing and is very cold Santa Claus knocks on the door, and comes in with many presents.

At 6 a.m. on Christmas morning, everyone goes to the early service.

The traditions in Norway are somewhat different. Gunnar said that although Christmas Eve is not a holiday, most people do not work that day. Instead, they busily engage in preparation for Christmas day by decorating the trees.

Then a huge meal is fixed, which usually consists of a large pig and lamb.

"On Christmas Eve," Gunnar smiled, "the **Christmas Goblin**, our version of Santa Claus appears." While the children are very young, the father disguises himself as the Goblin, and enters the home to let the children witness it all.

"After the appearance of the Christmas Goblin, the family gathers around their gaily-decorated spruce to open gifts and share the Christmas spirit.

Joachim told us that the Christmas customs in Germany are somewhat different from those in the United States. Santa appears long before the 24th. On December 6th Santa Claus appears for Santa Claus Day. He is dressed just as the original Santa was dressed; in a Bishop's habit. If the children leave their shoes in front of the door, Santa will fill them generously.

On the 24th very few people work and if so it is only until noon. At 5:00 p.m. a traditional church service is held, reminding the people of Christ and his sacrifice. At the end of this two hour service, everyone returns to their homes where they exchange gifts, given in the real spirit of giving.

Joachim concluded, "Throughout the 25th and 26th the services continue. During these two days, the family stays together, and there is no visiting between families."

Now these three must go through our American version of Christmas. For an American view of Christmas in the U. S., read **The Senior**.

A CHRISTMAS TALE

Walking down the street one evening, his tennies splattered with winter mud, and his wet hair dripping down his neck, Gilbert Sullivan wondered why all this cheer was so necessary this time of year. Christmas. Bah! Humbug! "Christmas is for kids," he thought. He'd like to be down at Malibu now. He could just see those waves . . . But no; it was Christmas and he had to stay home and entertain Henry and Herbie—his little cousins. He muttered an appropriate phrase.

He continued to walk, peering gloomily into the bright store windows. "The presents might make up for it—part of it," he brooded. He could sure use a new board, and if he got that new RatFinks Record, his day wouldn't be so bad.

As he shuffled along, he happened to notice a mild-mannered reporter turn into a phone booth(?). Seconds later, emerged a roly-poly man in a fuzzy red suit.

"HoHoHo! Merry Christmas," he called, ringing his bell.

"Aw, come off it Superman," said Gilbert, "I'd know you anywhere."

"I'm not Superman!" retorted the old gent. "You know who the REAL Superman is."

"Besides, it isn't really his season," he mumbled, straightening his cap.

As he stood gaping, Gilbert began to wonder about his ideas of Christmas. If this guy was serious, maybe there was more to this Christmas bit than he'd imagined. Not knowing what else to think, he sauntered on, thinking almost carefully. A little man in green shorts and shirt, with bells on his shoes and cap passed him, pulling to reindeer on a harness.

"It's been a hard day," he thought, and disappeared into the fog.

—PAM FINE

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This, the Christmas issue of the Woodside World, is eight pages long. The size of this paper is made possible by the revenue collected from advertising. This issue contains over 180 column inches of ads, accounting for almost \$300 of the \$450 issue cost.

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Artist Sumner Last Of Talented Family

"I've had the pleasure of teaching five members of the Sumner family; Dick, the twins Ron and Don, John and now Chuck. I'm truly sorry to see the end of the family pass through my class for they each had a great deal of talent." This is what Mr. Umberger, head of the art department, had to say about the talented Sumner family. He also added, "Chuck is outstanding, possibly even more so than his brothers. He is sure to go far in art."

Versatility characterizes Chuck's artistic talent. He has achieved his versatility through experience in Commercial Art, Figure Drawing, Freehand Drawing and Ceramics 1 and 2. Presently he is a member of the newly-formed Art Studio class. Chuck's favorite medium is sculpture, because, he says, "I'm able to express myself more clearly than in any other medium."

Chuck is planning to major in sculpture and wants to pursue a teaching career. He would like to attend the California College of Arts and Crafts and is working toward a scholarship. The scholarship portfolio includes samples and pictures of his best work accumulated over his high school career.

Woodside Debaters Compete In Meet

Two of Woodside High School's Debate teams participated in debate competition last week-end at San Jose High School. Teams were comprised of David Levinthal and Peggy Luce, Lucy Jones and Marcia Smith.

Both teams had similar experiences. Both lost the first round and won rounds 2 and 3 overwhelmingly. They therefore did not qualify for the quarter finals however, the experience that was gained was helpful to both teams.

No date has been set for the

Orchestra Selected To Play at Jr. Prom

The Johnny Vaughn orchestra will be featured at the Junior Prom, scheduled for April 16.

The seven-member group was selected by an overwhelming majority of the Junior Board members, according to Peter Levine, the class president. He also stated enthusiastically that this promises to be the greatest Junior Prom in Woodside history.

The junior treasury now contains \$650, more than any previous junior class, according to the class president.

The class is also organizing a junior rooting section which will go into effect the first Friday after Christmas vacation. It is hoped that this will stimulate and increase school spirit at Woodside.

Carload of Cookies Sent to Soldiers

Last Friday's cookie collection for the soldiers in Vietnam was an amazing success despite the little publicity the drive received. At least a carload of cookies in packages were collected by noon after only one bulletin.

The drive, instigated at Woodside by two students, Martha Neal and Kim Rogers, was really promoted by Martha's mother, a homemaking teacher at Palo Alto High. She received the idea from the Midwest and with the aid of the principal at Paly, spread the idea to neighboring schools in the Palo Alto and Menlo Park area.

As a result of all of the area high school's efforts, about 600 packages were collected and taken to Palo Alto High, the main collection point. From there, they were taken to Moffett Field where reserves flew them out on Sunday. The cookies are expected to arrive in Vietnam on Christmas day and will go to the front lines of soldiers.

Mrs. Neal was very glad and grateful for Woodside's contribution and hopes to have another drive coordinate with the U.S.O. in San Francisco in the near future where the schools can participate again.

In her opinion, this will give the young people a chance to show our support for those fighting a war for them.

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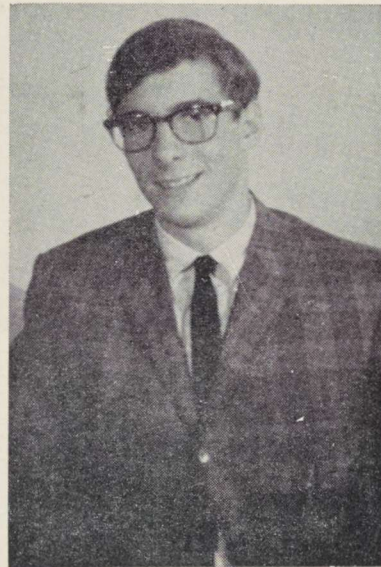
Cuthbertson Leads Welfare Board To Position of Respect

"We've cracked down in some places and let up in others," says Commissioner of Welfare, Jim Cuthbertson, "but most of the emphasis has been in the parking lot."

When asked how the senior stickers were going, Cuthbertson replied he felt they were working out well, but that the Welfare Board would crack down much harder on checking for decals and on people who have decals that shouldn't. Anyone caught without a decal, or someone who has a decal and should not, will automatically receive a citation.

On the matter of car registration and registration decals, the reporter was told that people who do not have registration decals are being cited by the Highway Patrol and have had to appear in court.

Cuthbertson was also very pleased with the speed and power of the Student Court this year. He stated it is much more effective



Jim Cuthbertson

if an offender can be brought before the court in the same week as the offense was committed. This makes more of an impression on the offender than if he is brought before the court, say, a month after the offense was committed.

Another problem that was discussed at the interview was the problem of litter, mainly in the cafeteria patio and in the cafeteria itself. Cuthbertson is planning to use more people in the area, what he called his "gorillas," to combat this problem, especially at noon when the problem seems to be greatest.

"As the weather changes, more people will be going inside and the Welfare Board intends to be there too."

Lindalee Lawrence Attends State 4-H Convention in S.F.

Two separate interests, when tied together, may often result in worthwhile and rewarding activities. This is true in the case of Lindalee Lawrence, a senior, who is a talented artist and an outstanding member of the 4-H Club.

Lindee became interested in the 4-H Club eight years ago. "I got into it because I like to draw livestock and because I like to be around animals. It all ties in together," she said.

Her art experience at Woodside includes Freehand Drawing I and II, Fine Arts, and the newly-formed Art Studio class. Her favorite media is rough pencil sketching, and her sketches of livestock have appeared in two summer issues of the "Hawaiian Farm Journal" and in a recent issue of the "Western Livestock Journal."

Lindee is planning a career in medical illustration and wants to continue her studies at either the University of Arizona or the University of California at Davis because of her interest in its veterinary department. She wants to continue working with animals as well as with art.

For the past eight years she has been an active and outstanding member of the 4-H Club. She has served as president and secretary of her 170-member club and two years ago, served as the County 4-H president. Her 4-H projects include the raising of beef for the past six years, sheep for eight years, and the raising of poultry and rabbits. She raises them for commercial production and receives an income.

Her awards include the Santa Fe Educational Award for 4-H accomplishments and work with younger club members, and the Bronze Star, Silver Star, Gold Star, and All-Star 4-H awards. This year she plans to go out for the highest-ranking award, the Diamond Star Award.

She was recently chosen to attend the State 4-H Convention, held from November 24 through December 5, because of her outstanding activities in all fields.

Lindee has correlated art work and 4-H activities in several ways. She has contributed drawings to State and Country Fair booths, and recently she participated in an oral illustrated talk on livestock.

Woodside JSA'ers Attend NP League Convention at Mills

Five Woodside students participated in a JSA Convention of the Northern Peninsula League at Mills High School last Saturday, December 11. Although the Woodside chapter is actually part of the Southern League, Mills invited all chapters from both leagues to attend.

The main piece of legislation was a bill presented by Peter Levine, pertaining to the abolition of the Northern Peninsula League and the establishment of one peninsula league. After considerable debate, the Bill was passed. As of 6:00 o'clock that evening, the Bill went into effect.

Other legislation debated included the establishment of the metric system in the U. S., chemical warfare, mail order firearms, and the depreciation of protest groups.

Other activities included a movie and an expansion discussion led by Leigh Pomeroy. The main point of the talk was to emphasize the need for more JSA foundation members.

23 Woodsiders Enter 'Homemaker' Test

The Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow test was given to twenty-three students including five boys on December 7. There were no special requirements to take the test which accounts for boys and girls taking it.

Thirty-five minutes were allowed for 100 multiple choice questions which ranged from nutritional food values to dressmaking. There were given ten minutes to write on the essay "What problems do teen-age GIRLS face today that may make it difficult for them to become good homemakers." Ernie Le Blanc added that, "it was a rotten deal to stick that essay in."

The results from the test will be given in January. The student with the highest numerical score in the objective test given here will receive a pin. The winner's test will then be put with all the tests in the state to be considered for a \$1,500 scholarship and an expense paid educational tour for the student and his or her advisor to New York, Washington, D. C., and Colonial Williamsburg, Va. The school of the State Homemaker of Tomorrow receives a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica. To the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow, the scholarship is increased to \$5000. To the second, third and fourth ranking Homemakers of the Nation go scholarships of \$4000, \$3000 and \$2000 respectively.

Grad Nite Will Have Billiards, Bowling

After graduation ceremonies on June 17, the senior class will be invited to gather at the Fiesta Bowl in Palo Alto, for Grad Night. As is well known, Grad Night is the senior activity which lasts from 10 until breakfast, celebrating freedom from high school's "ivy halls."

The bids this year will be \$10.00 apiece, a price which, according to Mrs. Cladis is far below the prices of other local school bids. Seniors may think that this price is quite a lot to ask for just one night of entertainment, but they should stop and think that this may be the last time they will see those "dear old buddies" with whom they have vegetated for four years. Seniors can take this opportunity to reminisce all the "good times" they had when they picked upon under classmen, and the glorious days in the realm of the superior upperclassmen.

However this form of diversion may prove rather boring when the senior realizes that he didn't really have that much fun in high school, so other forms of recreation have been provided. They consist of (the obvious), bowling, dancing to the strains of the three orchestras provided, and that all-time favorite sport . . . eating. A huge smorgasbord will be provided for senior culinary experts, and soft drinks will flow all night from the two "bars" which will be set up. Four o'clock a.m. will greet the service of another "Huge" meal, this time a Ranch-style breakfast.

The boys will have billiards at their disposal and the girls can have their handwriting expertly analysed. Couples can pose for pictured memorandums of this unforgettable night.

Unfortunately, those seniors who steadily date kids from other school will be deprived of their "steadies" presence at this function. They can always bowl, however, as a consolation.

Transportation will be provided in marked cars after graduation. Chaperones will also be provided. The activity will terminate at 6:00 a.m., and weary seniors will be set free to go home and sleep.

Matmen Led by Six Veterans; Enjoy Best Ever Over-All Depth

Woodside's grappling mat mentors have continued to stay out in force to give the 'Cats the most depth they have ever had on the weight chart.

Contrary to previous years, this depth extends clear from the ninety-five pounders (there's four) up to the unlimited (there's two).

The ninety-five pounders are being led by freshman Robbie Levine, a small, curly-haired grappler whose been picking up and utilizing the various wrestling holds quite effectively.

Another freshman, Art "Ring-ading" Ting is vying for that number one spot Levine holds.

Mike Jauregui, a returning letterman, will hold up the 103 lb. division this year. Last year, in the 95 lb. class, Mike took third team all-SPAL and is expected to turn in another strong performance this year.

Howie Kimeldorf, a sophomore, will be backing up Jauregui but is having difficulty with his weight.

The 112 lb. division finds Doug DeMattia, another returning starter who wrestled 103's last year. Doug and Jauregui will be the strength of Woodside's light weights.

The 120 lb. class will be squeakily held up by Jeff "Squeaky" Rogers, who had better make his weigh-ins. Squeaky has been doing well in practice this year against his freshman opponents.

Junior Mike Hedrick, who saw little action this past two years, has broken into the ranks of first string and is expected to greatly help the Woodside effort.

Ed Melen, a four year man this year as well as the oldest guy on the mat, will be holding down the 135 lb. division. Ed, who was stuck behind wrestling great Ron Ball for the past two years, has also broken the first string ranks and is looking for a good senior year.

A new comer, both to Woodside and California, is 138 pounder John Fries of Philadelphia. John has been showing good form in practice and will probably hold down his first string assignment.

However, an up-and-coming freshman, Mike Randell has also done surprisingly well in practice.

William "Bif" Soper another returning starter, has graduated to the ranks of the 145 lb. weight division, the highest he's ever been. Unfortunately, he's graduated a little bit beyond that and is having trouble keeping his weight down.

Junior Brian Madigan, another 145 pounder, has been giving Soper quite a workout during practice and if nothing else, the worry should keep Soper's weight under control.

The 154 lb. class will be well-manned this year by returning

veteran Ron Barter. Ron, also referred to as Coach Barter due to his great assistance to Coach Braunreiter, took a fourth place All-SPAL medal last year and has hopes of doing even better this year.

Another player-coach, Jim McCulloch, will be expected to hold down a firm 165 lb. division. McCulloch, who was cut from the basketball team this year due to lack of "comic relief," saw little action last year because of parents out of control. He hopes to improve the situation this year.

The 175 lb. division is being held down by 160 lb. Sam Graf. Regular 175 pounders Elgin Juri and Warren Pierce (especially Pierce)

have been having trouble losing weight. Hopefully, after Christmas vacation when each division gains two pounds, this problem will be eliminated.

The last returning veteran, Eric "Little Buddha" Boutacoff, will hold down the 191 lb. division. Eric saw action in this weight division last year.

Last, but by far not least, is the unlimited weight division and first year man "Handsome" Henry Bryson. Henry has good size and strength but will need a little more experience before he knows what to do on the mat.

Freshman Jim Constantz is pushing Bryson for that first string slot.

Athletes Make Sacrifice; Must Indulge in the Diet

A painful aspect of making many an athletic team in high school is the process known as dieting. Not the diet alluding to gobs of celery, Metrecal, Diet-Rite Cola's, steak, salad and eggs, but "THE DIET" causing many who hear the phrase to shudder. For them dieting means in many cases no potatoes, cereals, bread, pastries, milk, spaghetti, ice cream, or soft drinks. For shorter periods it may spell an end to eating or drinking entirely, in short, no nothing. Not even water.

C, D, and B basketballers, wrestlers, and C and B trackmen are the unfortunates. That all important one exponent can only be eradicated by the loss of weight. Weight loss for the wrestler is a constant process. Ideally, their division weights must be reached for every match, and if it isn't, the coach bites off his pound of flesh. For the others it is only necessary that they please the scales once at the beginning of the sport's season, or don't play at all—it's that simple.

Drastic weight losses are often carried out through even more drastic methods than fasting. Instruments applied in the process include rubber sweat suits; steam, sauna and whirl-pool baths; purgatives, laxatives and anti-appetite pills; spitting and sometimes even haircuts. Additionally, as if these circumstances are not enough, the loss of weight is often heralded by the utilization of heavy workouts.

Physically speaking, the dieter is weakened and often emaciated by his ordeal. Prolonged diets, as in the case of wrestlers, can cause permanent damage in rare cases. Reactions are slowed and often the dieter will sit and "vegetate." Mentally, the dieter is aware of

little more than his need to feed himself. The brain is fatigued and often the dieter possesses a quick temper. These diets are certainly something your doctor won't recommend.

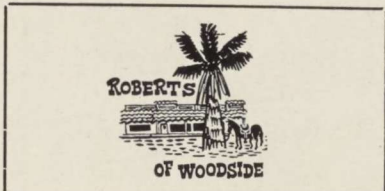
You people that can't lose ten or fifteen pounds of unnecessary fat are nothing more than pigs, to put it bluntly, in the eyes of an athletic dieter. You can talk about your weight problem around a cream puff, but are without the will-power to lose weight. While you are putting away that five-hundred calories in a chocolate éclair, think about the person worrying about the weight of a stalk of celery or a swallow of water. Go out for any lightweight sport or wrestling and learn what it means to "DIET."

—BARTER

Soccer Defeated In Opener, 4-2

The varsity soccer team opened their season against a tough Menlo School squad and came out on the wrong end of a 4-2 count. Woodside, coming off a championship season last year, completely dominated the first half of the contest by scoring both their goals. The first goal came in the opening moments of the contest on a beautiful breakaway by exchange student Joachim Taxis. The second marker came on a corner kick that was deflected into the goal by Bill Hefin. Another outstanding performance was put in by goalie Chuck Marr who made many spectacular saves in avoiding Menlo attempts to score.

This was the first game of the year for the inexperienced 'Cats, who were hard hit by graduation last year. During the encounter the Woodies were continually plagued by ball control errors and mistakes that can only be remedied by experience. The booters open their league season against Sequoia on January 7.

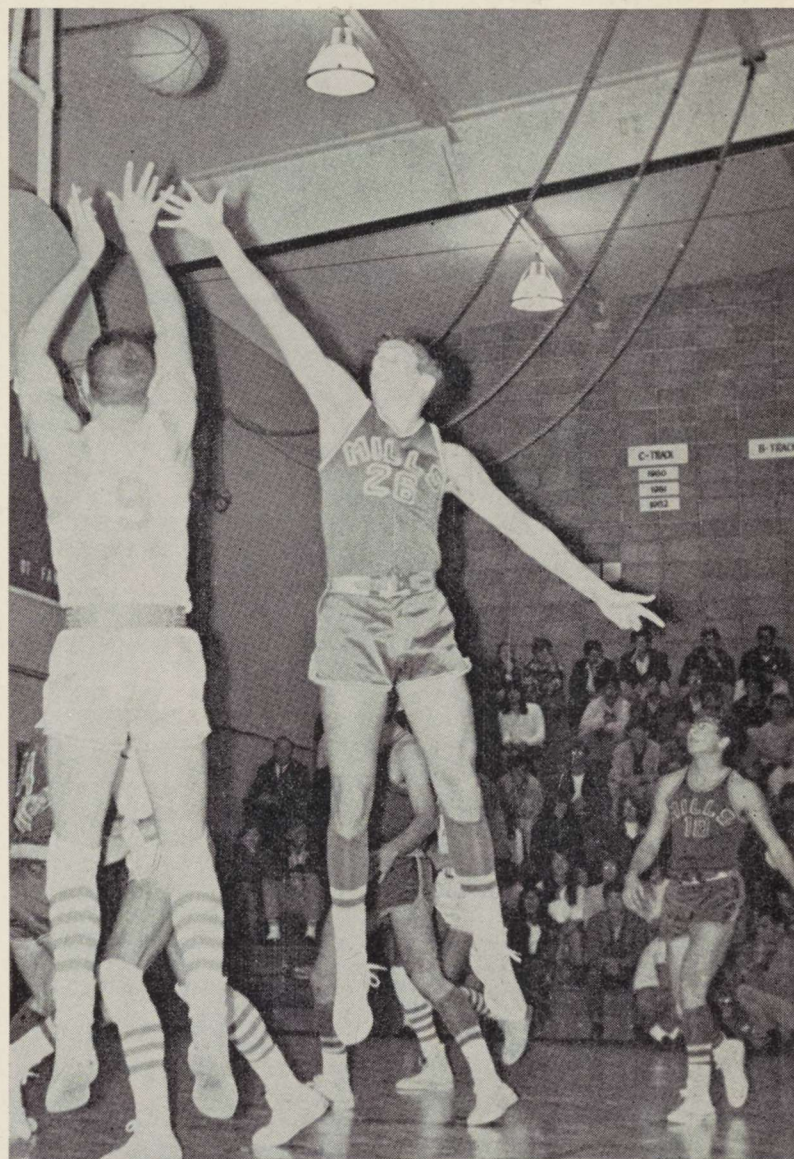


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WOODSIDE'S Chris Erickson goes up for two against a tough Mills team, Dec. 7. Mills later went on to win. (see story, page 8)

Photo by Terry Tracy

Hea, Ezell, Kutch Compete at CSM

Once again Woodside hopefuls, under the guidance of Coach Joe Greggans, will be trying for a chance to run in the Cow Palace Invitational Track Meet to be held January 8th at the Cow Palace.

Trials are set for tomorrow and will take place at C.S.M. Such hopefuls are Glen Hea, Ken Ezell, Tony Kutch, and others will be trying for the Cow Palace.

Hea and Ezell, along with Garen Patterson, will definitely run in the medly relay comprised of one 440 yd. run, two 220 yd runs, and one 880 yd. run, each by a separate man. Hea will run a 220 while Ezell and Patterson will run either the 440 or 880. Coach Greggans is still not sure of his fourth man.

Tony Kutch, who has been plagued by illness recently, will be trying for the High School two mile.

In order to get into the Cow Palace meet, they must first make qualifying times at the C.S.M. trials.

This is not a school-sponsored event, however; it's an open track meet held to anyone who cares to enter. Both the boys and Coach Greggans are giving of their own free time to enter in this meet.

Last year, the Woodside whiz, Bert Warden, made the trials and went on to take a first in the High School 60 yd. dash with a time of 6.4 seconds. This time would have given Bert a fourth in the open 60 yd. dash where he'd have been competing against the world's best.

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"On The Spot"

By Ron Barter

Rest easy sport's fans, for as you see. On The Spot has returned after last issues unprecedented absence. As far as a reason for its not being printed . . . a connection can be made to those individuals contending that if I can't write something nice about someone I shouldn't write anything at all. As you may well imagine I was at a loss for words.

Well to make a long story short, the number of persons commenting on the column's absence (disregarding those alluding relief) was great enough to warrant my return to On The Spot. With a lump in my throat (gasp) I thank you friends, and to repay you for your kindnesses I will attempt to burn every last one of you before the year is out.

Putting the Wraps on Football: Football in 1965 has been brought to a glorious finish in that Woodside came to share the SPAL crown with Palo Alto. It was a great season and in many aspects a humorous one, but some of the season's more unforgettable incidents were;

Dick (Golden Toe Groza) **Moldre's** boot in that M-A game, which finally came to represent the winning margin.

Dick O'Conner (Pardon my French) of the Palo Alto Times biting the dust innumerable times, in pre-season and single game forecasts, and his generally poor coverage of Prep football, especially that in the Sequoia district. There is a chance that Paly will cheer him at the big football banquet, maybe, but as far as the rest of the area schools are concerned . . . good luck old chap.

Greg Ryback's best tackle of the year came in the Cubberley game. We all know that he dumped the statisticians in the mud because he didn't like the number of tackles he had been giving to him. Good job Gregy, ha!

It was very "in" to walk around campus on game days like a zombie, especially if you were a football player. You were completely out, if you didn't wander around mumbling plays to yourself, and heaven help the guy that smiled. You know something, somebody up there must like **Pierce**.

"Spirit was at an all-time high the night before the M-A game," according to **Marty Collom**.

Who that was there can forget the **Woodside Cheering Section** at the Paly-Sequoia Thanksgiving game. It can only be described as being great; and some of the cheers, wow! Potato chips was classic and the Woodside coaches have never had their cheer done so well.

Then there was **Elgin Juri's** wonderful relationships with the SPAL's referees.

Hot and rising: That was a pretty good warm up. But now, if you will allow me, I shall present the F.S.B.F.M.N. (Full Scale Burn for the Month of November.) But on second thought, I think I'll just go ahead, and not wait for you to allow me. I realize that you have been anxiously awaiting, or sweating out, as the case may be, the presentation of this feature, but difficulties in the balloting made it impossible to present until this very moment. At any rate, the recipient of the F.S.B.F.M.N. is none

other than the great **Donald Legs Bunce**. (Does this give anyone any ideas for next year's Senior Poll?)

Donald is a hero, that no one can deny. The Be-Bopper plays football, basketball and baseball, you might call him a triple threat, and excels at them all. As a junior this year he has already led the football team to a co-championship, setting a number of school records in the process.

Off of the athletic field Don is an incomparable gentleman. The only person any shyer than he needs no introduction, it may embarrass poor Bill. Anyway, Don is so shy, he has to be prompted as to whether to accept invitations to parties and so on. That's right, ol' Don is too shy to ask girls out. But they're more than willing to ask him; one of these days he will get smart and hire himself an agent to handle all of the date requests by aspiring young lasses.

But talking about having **The Knack**, at last week's James Lick tournament we didn't miss Doggey Donney making time with the Overfelt Pom Pon girl, did we? Oh well, to ol' Don it's just another name in his little black book. On second thought, knowing Don, make that a little black library.

Don's only disappointment in life came in the third grade when he didn't get the part of the Great Pumpkin in the Halloween Party. The class elected him to the part of Gwendolyn, the wicked witch, because of his ideal nose.

Don says "Wear Fruit of the Loom tee-shirts and you too can be a hit with the in crowd."

And now the coup de grace. Did you know that Donny's favorite bird is the Krow. Congratulations Don, now you're not doomed any more, for a while.

Oh Captain Mikey: The exposure of a recent development has the locker-room reeling. **Michael Stephen Rewa** has taken out a girl! Well, actually she invited him, but just the same, this isn't something that happens every Saturday night. "Just doin' the kid a favor," remarked Mike afterwards. We're all on the edge of our seats awaiting further developments.

What lucky lass will be the recipient of the title: Woodside Wrestling Queen for 1966, another first in Wildcat annals? Coach (to use a term loosely) **Paul Braunter** has certainly had his fertile mind trying to dig up the seedling of an idea. (Did you catch the flowery play on words?) It certainly behooves the team to avoid the selection of a tart. One consolation is that **Mr. Ratliff** won't be around to run through his candidates, we hope.

Well that about wraps it up for this year. Have a Happy Christmas and a Merry New Year, drive carefully, remember only you can prevent forest fires, and don't do anything you wouldn't have me write about.

V. Basketball Team 'Coming On'; Present Over-All Record Stands at 3-2

For the second straight year the Woodside varsity basketball team has won the consolation crown at the James Lick tournament. Leading the Wildcats in all three games were all-tourney selections John Steckel and Craig Ellis.

The 'Cats opened the tourney against a small but tough Sunnyvale five. The Jets, who had three games experience going into the tournament, took the inexperienced Cats apart in the first half. The Woodies came back strong after the halftime intermission and played better ball but were not in the contest until the final two minutes. Playing frantic catch up ball, they scored six points in the last 45 seconds on left and right handed hook shots and a jumper at the buzzer by guard Bob Fairbank. The game, although a loss, did

mark a great improvement over the first-game loss to Mills, but still there were many ball control errors and a lack of the outside scoring attack. The next night that outside threat came to life.

Friday night saw the hoopsters vying against the Campbell Buccaneers. This game marked the emergence of a sleeping giant, Craig Ellis. Ellis, jumping like a jack rabbit and shooting with deadly accuracy, contributed 22 points to the Woodside cause and played by far his best game of the early season.

This contest was decided early. The 'Cats streaked to an early lead of 24-8 in the second quarter and never relinquished it. The final count was 64-40 and could have possibly been more. To use a cliché, "The Woodies came to play

this one." As a team they shot with almost unerring accuracy in the first half and shot very respectably in the second stanza. Steckel again shined, getting 15 points and completely dominating both the offensive and defensive boards. Guards Bob Fairbank and Rick Betchley improved on both their shooting and ball handling which led directly to the team's new-found success. The 'Cats needed this game badly for two reasons. First, it was the initial win of the season for the upstart hoopsters and proved that they were truly a good, solid basketball team. Secondly, it gave everyone a chance to play. In supporting roles were Don Bunce (refer to On The Spot) who hit four quick outside jumpers and junior Scott Patton who showed great dribbling ability and some good passing.

Saturday night found the Woodies in the consolation final. Playing a small but hustling Overfelt contingent the 'Cats had their hands full. With the lead changing hands seven times in the first half. Chris Erickson, who had before this game been a defensive stand-out came to life offensively with a 12 point output. Ellis and Steckel again dominated both boards and each scored 16 points.

The Woodside varsity basketball team upped their season record to 3-2 with a victory over Salesian High at Woodside on Tuesday. The Woodies scored an impressive 67-44 victory over the smaller men from Oakland. Leading Woodside scorers were John Steckel and Craig Ellis with 16 and 14 points respectively.

The tourney proved many things for the young Wildcats. Mainly the inexperience of the team was remedied. The 'Cats opened the season with four out of the five starters playing in their first varsity game. When they open their league season against Gunn they will have had eight games under their belt and the the experience needed for a successful season. Secondly, they gained that needed togetherness that only playing together can give. Finally it evened the Woodies record of 2-2 for the season and gives them a look at a bright future.

Center Mike Maloney, a starter most of last year, has played only recently this season due to football injury. With Maloney's presence in the line up the 'Cats can only improve.

'B' Hoopsters Even Record; Vie at Vacation Tourney

Woodside's B basketball team bounced back from an opening defeat at the hands of Mills High to register a 44-43 victory over Salesian High School of Richmond. The team was sparked by the scoring and hustle of guard Greg Ott. Ott, who is on the floor as much as his feet, has been the mainstay of the B attack so far this season. Along with Ott is the consistent

scoring of Bob Hanson, who also doubles as a defensive standout.

The Salesian game, which was nip and tuck throughout, was finally decided in the last seven seconds on a clutch basket by Bob Thorton. Of real note was the fact that the B's were playing the Salesian J.V.'s, who had a tremendous height and weight advantage. Even with this factor the Cat's were still able to control, not only the boards, but the tempo of the entire game. The Woodies success can be directly attributed to the desire and hustle instilled in the team by second year coach Fred Pegelow.

In the Mills opener the Cat's lost by only one point at 37-36. The game was marred by numerous first game mistakes and ball control errors. However, the game did afford Coach Pegelow a chance to look at all of his young players. The Woodies streaked to an early 9-2 lead and held it through the first half but had to relinquish it in the waning moments of the contest. Missed free throws throughout the game and especially in the final minutes proved to be the Cats demise. Ott was high point man with nine although playing only three-quarters of the game.

During Christmas vacation the B's will be engaged in the annual Menlo-Atherton B Tournament. Playing dates will be December 21, 22, and 23. All games will be played in Menlo-Atherton gym.

Girls Gymnastics

Last Monday, the Woodside Girl's Gymnastics team went to Sequoia to exchange ideas and routines. Although there will be no competition between schools, there will be a Gymnastics meet for the girls participating. It will probably be held sometime after Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Vierra, the instructor, says that the girls' gymnastics are important because they teach physical discipline; and as an individual improves, she can increase her range of skills. With Mrs. Travis as assistant they have been working on the gymnastic horse, practicing cartwheels, round-offs, and tumbling. Next they will begin doing stunts on the balance beam and the uneven bars.

There are 15 girls participating this year, and Caroline King, manager, hopes that next year there will be even more.

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