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## Shaw Presents PTA Program

Dr. William Henry Shaw, Superintendent of Muscogee County Schools, addressed the Columbus High School P-TA on the academic standing of the school. He was the featured speaker at the organization's February meeting.

Dr. Shaw discussed the comparative academic standing of the high schools in Muscogee County, as determined by a series of standardized tests administered every fall to entering freshmen. Particular attention was focused on CHS for the program; the tests showed the scores of Columbus High School students were highest.

The purpose of the tests, Dr. Shaw said, was to determine the degree to which basic language, numerical, reading, and spelling skills had been developed by the teaching methods in the county. As a result, the teachers know which areas of academic development should be stressed more in the classroom.

"There is no end to knowledge," he concluded, "and these basic skills are becoming more and more necessary to the acquisition of knowledge."

## Blue Devils Place In Local Fair

Columbus High claimed two winners in the Columbus Second Annual Social Science Fair.

Scott Etheridge and Jimmy Dimon's project entitled Southern Education and the Negro, second in the sociology division. Pam Redmond also won a red ribbon in the research division.

Out of the 177 entries in the fair, only 3 projects were sent from CHS. Dr. Kirby, superintendent of the schools, suggested that CHS's set of values may be one reason the Blue Devils are poorly represented in the social science fair. He explained that Blue Devils place more emphasis on sports than other forms of competition. It seems that even in the science fair Jordan always "beats the stew" out of Columbus.

In high school competition, ribbons were awarded in seven categories. Dr. Thelma Kirby, consultant for social studies in the county, said students did not compete against each other, but were judged on the basis of excellence. Thus, more than one blue ribbon, or none, were sometimes awarded in any group.

## John Knox Enters Oratorical Contest

John Knox will represent Columbus High in the annual American Legion Oratorical Contest.

Each local high school will be represented in the competition. Ten minute orations will be given by each contestant on topics concerning some phase of the Constitution. A three minute impromptu speech must also be delivered. In previous years the impromptu speech was required only at higher levels of competition.

The local contest will take place February 26th at the American Legion Post on Victory Drive. The winner of this must progress through two more divisions before competing on the state level.



MILITARY BALL—Battalion Commander Jody Fleurney and Sponsor Nancy Carter begin decorating for the Military Ball.

## ROTC Holds Annual Ball; 1968 Queen To Be Named

ROTC cadets, officers, sponsors, and guests will be officially entertained at the military ball tonight.

The ball, which is an annual event, will be held at the National Guard Armory from 8:00 until 12:00 p.m. A lead out

of all officers and their sponsors will take place at 9:30, at which time the 1968 Military Ball queen will be announced. The queen was selected by the entire ROTC unit from the ROTC Sponsors, which include: Claire Adams, Sharon Beltramo, Nancy Carter, Cindy Colbert, Diane Daniell, Ann Gailmard, Julie Jambon, Karen Meinen, Cindy Nitcher, Sandy Ogletree, Nelia Schomberg, Lissa Thomas, Francine Tilly, and Betty Waller. She will be crowned by Col. Ned B. Marby, Senior Army instructor for Muscogee County School District.

In preparation for the dance, Nancy Carter has been overall decorations chairman. Sharon Beltramo has been in charge of food, while Diane Dainell, Chris Lutz, and Cyndy Colbert have composed the invitation committee.

## Organization Elects Seven Journalists

Seven CHS journalism students have been selected for membership in the Nunnally Johnson Chapter of Quill and Scroll.

Recognized for outstanding work on the Blue Streak and Cohiscan, the new members are Laura Dismukes, Ginger Hayes, Mary Catherine Hiller, Evelyn Hoffman, Sondra Kravtin, Francine Scott and Lynn Williams.

The membership inductions were held at a CHS assembly on February 6. Preceding the announcement of the members, Mr. Millard Grimes, editor of the Columbus Enquirer, discussed the function of journalism in a democracy. Also the Quill and Scroll officers, Pat Brady and Scott Etheridge participated in the program.

Named for Nunnally Johnson, a Columbus-born dramatist and screen writer, the CHS chapter is affiliated with the National Quill and Scroll, an honorary society for high school journalists. The CHS chapter was organized twenty-seven years ago.

Among the projects of the Quill and Scroll are the sale of plastic covers and the promotion of journalism projects and special events.

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## Ten CHS Students Named Finalists In '67-'68 National Merit Competition

Ten CHS seniors have been selected as finalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

These students are: Carl Bedingfield, Andy Bussey, Alex Byars, Jimmy Dimon, Scott Etheridge, Kay Giese, Steve Goodman, Ed Ogletree, Jack Thomas and Susie Williams. The announcement will be made public on May 2.

### Recognizes Talent

According to John Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, the Merit Program is a "means of recognizing talented young people of our country who will undoubtedly be among its future leaders in many fields."

### Qualify For Scholarship

All of CHS's ten semifinalists became finalists and are now eligible for a National Merit Scholarship. Approximately 2,900 Merit Scholars across the country will be confidentially notified as scholars.

About 14,000 students, only one half of one percent of all graduating high school seniors in the nation, qualify as finalists. Last year Columbus High was represented by nine.

### Administered To Juniors

The National Merit Tests will be administered to all interested juniors this year on Saturday, February 24. The highest-scoring students will be selected as semifinalists and will be announced in the fall.

## Achievers Travel West For Show

Mike Collins, Nancy Tucker, and Mary Williams, recently returned from a trip to California, where they appeared on the Art Linkletter Show.

Mike, Nancy and Mary enjoyed a five day trip provided for them by the Tom Huston Peanut Company, sponsors of their world champion JA company, T H Achievers. Arrangements for appearing on the show were handled by Mr. Wilbur Glenn, of the RC Cola Company. Art Linkletter is a member of the board of the RC Company.

The trip included excursions to Disneyland, Universal Studios and Sunset Strip. Mike Collins particularly enjoyed the guides at Disneyland, while Mary Williams was disillusioned to find the entire Ponderosa Ranch inside one studio. Nancy Tucker's biggest treat was meeting a cousin at Graumanns Chinese Theatre.

Note: The program taped will be shown today at 2:30 P.M. on Channel 3.



BETTY CROCKER HOMEMAKER—Cheryl Sudderth displays her talents as homemaker of the year. She was chosen to represent CHS in the annual Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Contest.

## Senior Cheryl Sudderth Wins Betty Crocker Contest Award

Cheryl Sudderth was named the 1968 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow from Columbus High.

The aptitude examination given to all senior girls taking home economics was taken in December and was based on homemaking knowledge and common sense. This contest sponsored by General Mills Corporation was created thirteen years ago with

### Winner Receives Scholarship

Various winners' scores from all the high schools will be used in determining the State homemaker and runner-up. These receive a college scholarship from 500 to 5000 dollars, an expense-paid tour of historical sites in Washington, D. C. and Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, and the opportunity to compete for national awards.

### Activities Are Varied

Cheryl's activities this year include Columbus' Junior Symphony, Columbus High's band and orchestra. As a sophomore she was a sophomore council representative and attended Governor's Honor Program in Music. In her junior year she served in the Allied Medical Careers Club. Last summer Cheryl won a \$550 scholarship through auditions from the Columbus Orpheus Club to Brevard Music Center in North Carolina. When Cheryl was asked her reaction to winning the home making award, she replied, "It was such a big surprise, I still can't believe it. I mean, I enjoy cooking and sewing but I never thought I would get an award for it."



## Clergymen Protest Vietnam In Hope Of Changing War

More than 1300 clergy have signed a statement supporting the draft resisters. Lutheran Pastor Richard Neuhaus of Brooklyn feels mass clergy protest will force the government to ignore the law, crowd the jails ostentatiously, or unjustly arrest only a few violators.

"The desired outcome," he points out, "is that all three alternatives will be ruled out and that the law ultimately will be changed."

Many dovish clergymen feel the right to selective conscientious objection should be granted to all thinking the Vietnamese war—but not all war—is immoral. They also feel that atheists may be considered conscientious objectors.

Obviously, these two issues evade any feasible practicality. Conscientious objection is solely the belief that God condemns war. Whether a person feels a certain war is immoral is totally irrelevant.

Religion should be a source of strength to mankind, not an object to be misconstrued for the benefit of personal or political motives. Vietnam is reigned by the flag; conscientious objection is conditioned by the cross and intervention by either faction condones regression into feudal society.

## Stolen Gym Apparel Spurs Daily Misdemeanor Of Theft

Madness! Daily the locker rooms of the girl's gym witness the mass confusion of "Who's Who." Gym clothes denote the name of one person, while said person claims to be another. Madness!

Why are P.E. students so desperate that they wear shorts ten sizes too small or fifteen sizes too large? (Ever see a girl lose her shorts while running the shuttle?)

And then there are tennis shoes. Some students' shoes are so tight that they do handstands to avoid mutilating their little toe. Of course it also isn't rare to see a student using scotch tape just to keep her shoes on!

After the continued absence of a shoe, a shirt or a pair of shorts, a student finds herself following the morals of her predecessor: theft. This provokes even more outrageous vandalism and a vicious circle erupts.

There is only one approach to the dissolving of this never-ending circle: someone will have to be a square.

## CHS Band Support Urged; Requires Ability And Work

The football team has had its glory. The basketball team is victorious over all. The drama department has won its title. And the vocal music department has received its share of the honors. Of course, the student body basks in all of this.

But there's another department that's important to Columbus High School, and it's seldom heard of. It follows the football team wherever they go. It supports the cheerleaders at pep rallies. It makes its appearance at ROTC reviews.

The Columbus High School Blue Devil Band has had its share of the glory, too. But seldom do people stop to think that just as much effort goes into the making of a good band as goes into that of a good football or basketball team. It requires teamwork, as well as individual proficiency. It requires knowledge, and work, and the ability to reason quickly and accurately.

But for all it requires and accomplishes, there is something else that is important to the Blue Devil Band. This is your support. The Band has a good thing going, but it needs a boost now and then. Give the Band your support and respect. And the band, as always, will continue to support C.H.S. in every possible way.



### Reviewing The Situation

## The Irony of Reason

By Sallie Carter

We, the people of the United States, have become notorious as the most unemotional people on the face of the earth. Because we live beneath a cloud of security and selfishness we limit our emotions to the pondering of self, the acquisition of wealth, and the deliberations of governments.

This neglect is the cause of nearly all our troubles as individuals and as a nation. Because of this lack, the search for "Self" and "Truth," stressed so by ancient philosophers has become a concern of very few people.

And yet, we are so unemotional and unthinking that we fail to see our needs. And for those who do see them, other concerns come first — their pride and social standing.

Some groups of people, bottled up in a civilization all their own, have maintained a stress on emotions. But we of the "action age" and the "modern generation" have called them uncivilized, heaten, corrupt, and barbarian. Because we fail to understand them we condemn them to "backward ways."

But yet, while they search for answers to their problems, we cannot find solutions to our own. Is it not ironic that in our own unemotional way we find reason to condemn them?

Yes. Ironic that we stress man and his relationship to mas, while they stress man and his relationship to God. Ironic that while we rise higher on the plain of success, their emotions are strengthened and ours become harder and dryer. Ironic that while we rule the world, they rule themselves.

### Op. Cit.

## Candide

There are very few works that provide as much absurdity as Voltaire's *Candide*. Presented as an ironic mocking of pious optimism, unrealistic philosophy and social hypocrisy, *Candide* comes through as a roaring comedy.

Voltaire's work is the adventurous story of Candide, a youth whose simple nature is symbolized by his name. Candide's philosophy is expressed in the words of his tutor, Pangloss, "This the best of all possible worlds."

This outlook is proven ridiculous as Candide combs the world in search of his beautiful cousin Cunegonde. During his adventures Candide is confronted by natural disasters as he suffers from and observes the inhumanity of man towards his fellow man.

Reunited with both Pangloss and Cunegonde, Candide becomes aware of the emptiness of his tutor's philosophy, and is horrified by the ugly shrew his cousin has become. Settling down on a small farm with Cunegonde he discards philosophy and offers this advice: "Let us cultivate our gardens."

*Candide* portrays Voltaire as a man of the French "Enlightenment". The optimists' god has created this "best of all possible worlds", however Voltaire's god, if he accepts one, closely resembles the ancient teutonic god Wyrd, or fate. He regards all philosophy as bunk and takes today as the only truth.



## Blue Streak Now

By Scott Etheridge

One of each editors' masochistic pleasures is that of finding gramatical flaws in their reporter's work. Those mistakes are often humorous sometimes but it reveals a real grave problem in educational system.

Everybody remembers how they slaved to finally memorize the rules for comma, and period. Bewildered by clauses, verbals, and gerunds, English was the bane of everybody's existances. For we upperclassmen, however; literature has all but almost replaced grammar. But what are most important important poets or punctuation?

Who are we kidding by ourselves saying that we knew the rules of composition and, have you been learned much of something even in High School? Do you, for example, know that ham and eggs are collective nouns? Do you certify that the person of verbs agree? Or the tenses matched? Everybody goofs up their pronouns, don't you?

We do not make only such obvious mistakes but, also we know not why we do what we do. Language is irrational so many cut and dried rules are therefore needlessly superfluous. Instead we should try and get acquainted of idioms in English. It would be well for us to try and make our sentences sound well as well as to be gramatically corect.

Let's forget the literature for a while and show ourselves how to communicate affectively which is something most important; What do you say?

### Answers Now!

## Column Answers Questions About Graduation Activities

When is graduation?

CHS' actual graduation ceremony is to be held Tuesday, June 4. Before that date, there will be numerous traditional and end-of-school activities especially planned to make the seniors last year a memorable one. These include Kiddie Day, Class Day, and the senior picnic. Before the seniors' last day of school, May 30, other events traditionally associated with the nearing of graduation will be the distribution of the '68 Cohiscans around the end of May and the final issue of the *Blue Streak* May 29, which will contain class prophesies and last wills and testaments.

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What can one do to get articles published in the *Blue Streak*?

Anyone who knows of an event that should be covered in the *Blue Streak* can place the vital information in the B.S. box, or give it to any member of the editorial staff. In particular, news articles should be given to the editor, the assistant editor, or the news editor; editorials, essays for *Reviewing the Situation*, or questions for *Answers Now* should be given to the managing editor; and features or ideas for feautres should be given to the feature editor.

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SWEETHEARTS—Nancy and Joe exhibit the true spirit of Valentine's Day with a display of togetherness.

## Senior Class Reveals New Names Offers Unusual Source Of Glee

IF the 1968 Cohiscan is lacking in any manner (although it undoubtedly will not be) one can always turn to the senior section for amusement! One glance at this year's diploma list discloses by far some of the most unusual names ever.

Amid the stereotyped John's, Joe's, Mary's and Jane's, there are two Rupert's, a Sibley, a Rigney, Cushman and Crumpton, a Jesse, a Thomasson, a Cloys, and a LaVern.

Many other names are strangely symbolic. A boy with a well-known I.Q. is named "Wise" and a certain scientific student is named "Darwin." We have also a "Jerry Lewis" and a "Thomas Jefferson," who, according to Miss Goss, would not be able to write a legible declaration!

Another scientist, whose first name is bad enough, has a middle name of Putney. And who would believe that one talkative brunette's middle name is "Iola"?

One boy's name was misspelled, and turned out "Mel Brain Locklear"! (somebody sure goofed!) A senior football player who claims his middle initial stands for "Monkey" has been out. Yes, you, Mansour!

The Class of '68 also has two Michael Anthony's! There is also Inez, Minus, Dally, Seward, Postel (future mailman?), Nathaniel, Betts, Wynell, Mansel, Myron, Honier, Drane, Sharp, Archer, and many more worth smiling over.

But the person who really should win top awards is a boy whose name is "Castleberry"!

Jane Smith

## Daily Bulletin

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The Blue Streak staff wishes to announce that Alfred E. Neuman has recently joined our forces. He is using the pseudonym of Jerry Henderson.

ATTENTION SENIORS: The order form you received this morning must be filled out in triplicate and returned a week from yesterday. Checks should be made out to Muscogee High School and not Columbus School District. As for what it is you're ordering, you'd better ask your cabinet man; (maybe somebody told HIM.)

ATTENTION ALGEBRA STUDENTS: Don't be misled by underclassmen teachers. The equality sign represents a massive, impregnable wall, covered with barbed wire and glass. But, according to Miss Higgins, it has a peephole to look through!

Attention CHS drivers: The Columbus Police department's motorcycle brigade will be out again tonight. At least seven boys were given tickets last Saturday night. This should not happen again — a motorcycle isn't THAT hard to run down!



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## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

# Nancy and Joe Are Valentines Celebrate Famous Old Tradition

By Pat Brady

### Seniors Dating

When on a date, Joe thinks a girl should "be on her best manners, and do her best to make the boy enjoy the date. (After all, he's paying through his teeth)."

Nancy voiced an opinion on the same subject. "The boy shouldn't make the girl play Indian squaw like Joe does when I have to walk ten steps behind him."

At CHS, Nancy and Joe have both been very active. They are both members of National Honor Society, and also Jr. Civitan, of which Nancy is treasurer and Joe is sergeant-at-arms. Nancy is treasurer of Amica Tri-Hi-Y and Business Manager of the Blue Streak.

Joe is easily recognized as an outstanding member of the varsity basketball team. In connection with this, he is secretary of the C Club. Nancy is a well-known figure as an ROTC sponsor. In addition, Joe is

a member of Key Club, serving as sergeant-at-arms. However, he lists his most important activity as being Fire Marshall in Miss Goss' second period.

Along with these numerous activities, as many people know, Joe and Nancy have been dating since their junior year, which makes them an obvious choice for a Valentine's Day feature.

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## Teachers Revealed As Real People, Basic Characteristics Are Described

By Betty Adkins

Between the ages of six and eighteen, most of us come in contact with those creatures known as teachers.

They are usually found in unheated, overcrowded classrooms; smoky teachers' lounges and doctors' offices.

Their names are said in anything from swearing and fear to admiration and love.

### Women Teachers Described

Most people regard the women teachers as: primness, with a pair of runny stockings, posed with a splatter of mustard on wrinkled blouses and a vision of loveliness in "bunchy" girdles.

### Men Are Tolerated

Men teachers are tolerated because they're famous for "talking softly while warming tender behinds". Many are a mixture of manliness and pipe tobacco, of neatness with a beard, and wavy hair with dandruff and heavenly blue eyes with horned-rimmed spectacles.

### Teachers Make Mistakes

Both sexes of teachers though, are only human. They make mistakes like anyone else.

Teachers forget to use "Scope" in the morning and wonder why nobody comes around to talk after homeroom period. They have Excedrin headaches each day until 3:30, and they really suffer during exams, forgot to buy Ban the day before.

### Will Be Missed

But no matter how much teachers haunt your dreams, make mistakes on report cards and send you in to see the principal — you find yourself saying on Graduation Day with a sizeable lump in your throat and a bigger pain in

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## Dear Devilyn

Dear Devilyn,  
I got twelve red roses for my girl friend. What do you think?  
Romeo

Dear Romeo,  
I think you're lucky. Most boys don't get that good a swap.  
\* \* \*

Dear Devilyn,  
My boyfriend always shakes my hand when we say goodnight. What can I do to make him show his emotions more freely?  
Worried

Dear Worried,  
Next time put your hands behind your back and see what he does.  
\* \* \*

Dear Devilyn,  
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**OUTSTANDING TEENAGERS**—Libba Sparrow and Carl Bedingfield contemplate their futures as professional award winners.

## Libba, Carl Earn Honors As Outstanding Teenagers

Seniors Libba Sparrow and Carl Bedingfield have been selected "Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1968" and will represent CHS in the state-wide competition.

The Governor's Trophy, awarded annually, goes to the most outstanding teenager in Georgia; ten national awards and college scholarships are also available to program participants.

The program was originated by the Outstanding Americans Foundation, a non-profit organization. Its purpose is to recognize young people for high school achievements. President John Putman, through this program, wants to encourage teenagers to be better Americans. "They are American leaders of tomorrow," he said.

The Board of Advisors, constituted by representatives of major youth organizations, selected delegates from schools all over the country. Choices were made on the basis of achievement and ability.

Libba and Carl, both members of the National Honor Society, cite a few of their high school activities. Libba serves as treasurer of Pep Club this year, secretary of Junior Civitan, and senior class secretary. She also works on the Blue Streak staff as as-

sistant editor. Quill and Scroll Society, Bi-City Student Council, and Tri-Hi-Y each claim her membership.

Carl is a member of both Key Club and C-Club at CHS; his classmates have named him "Most Intellectual" since his freshman year. His other interests center in the sports department, where he has played basketball since his freshman year, and has participated in track for the past three years.

## Juniors Hold Money-Raising Contest; Kevin Henderson Cops 'Ugliest' Title

Columbus High's junior class has selected Kevin Henderson as its "Ugliest Boy".

The nine competitors, nominated from junior homerooms, were: Bo Aldridge, Kevin Henderson, Brad Hendricks, Dan Kirkland, Kenny Livingston, Jimmy Lovell, Mike Ogie, Byron Richardson, and Danny Thomas.

The results of the contest were announced at the open house following the Powder-Puff game. Runner-up to Kevin Henderson was Danny Thomas.

To determine the winner, students donated money over a two week period. The penny-a-vote competition raised a total of \$133.00, which will be used to help finance the Junior-Senior Prom.

Kevin was not present for the announcement, so a corsage of radishes and carrots, intended for the winner, was given to runner-up Danny Thomas. On Monday following the "crowning" Kevin and Danny both received free lunches and all the juniors were obligated to be their slaves.

Being "uglier than the others" Kevin felt he "deserved" the honor. He claims it didn't hurt his self confidence. "I was just glad

## Powder-Puff Game Credits All Supporters "Winners" For 1968

As the clock clicked away the final seconds of the unforgettable game, the hysterically happy Powders mobbed their coaches and star players as well.

This annual production, sponsored by each Senior Class since 1959, has actually made both teams and all players "winners".

Unlike their male counterparts, the female players could not hide their feelings of excitement due to their victory. The Powders had undoubtedly claimed that victory over the Puffs, yet was a win over their opponents the underlying goal of the Powder-Puff game?

The fact that so many persons, not only the girls themselves, but the entire Senior class as well, are willing to devote the time and effort to a cause which they believe in is enough to make anyone proud to be a Blue Devil from Columbus High.

Through the years, the proceeds from this "sports spectacular" have gone to every academic department of CHS, as well as to provide various useful gifts to make the classroom more inviting. The Powder-Puff profits have helped the Senior class sponsor all of its projects, plus provide the necessary funds to meet routine expenses.

Whether a Powder or a Puff, a "cheerleader", "majorette", member of the court, coach, or simply an onlooker, all supporters of this outstanding example of sportsmanship and simple teenage energy can count themselves as Powder-Puff winners for 1968!!!

## Campus Day Exhibits College To Students

Bi-City Student Council sponsored Campus Day for Columbus College to familiarize Columbusites with their college.

On Sunday, February 11, from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m., students conducted a complete tour of the campus and building, beginning at the Student Center. Colonel Bethel Edrington, journalism advisor at Columbus College, was in charge of the occasion.

"The purpose of Campus Day was to show interested high school students the advantages of attending college at home. Also, we're hoping that out-of-town students will possibly become interested in the curriculum. This will help the city of Columbus to grow," Colonel Edrington explained.

GEORGE: "What's the name of that book you're reading?"  
IRENE: "It's entitled 'What Twenty Million Women want.'"  
GEORGE: "Let's see if they spelled my name right."

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## Free Throws Aid Columbus In Thriller With Grangers

In any contest, one team is "just a little bit better" than their opponent. However, when the CHS Devils played LaGrange, one team was "just a little bit worse". Both teams had a bad night as CHS scraped by the Grangers 49-46.

The Blue Devils, rated the top free-throw team in the city, won the game with charity-stripe precision. CHS hit 13 out of 16 free-throws while LaGrange hit 8 of 17. The Blue Devils hit 32.1 percent of their shots while the Grangers hit 25.3 percent for their attempts.

CHS outscored LaGrange in three out of four periods. The Grangers scored 16 points during the third period while the Devils tallied only 12.

### Remains Idle

Dan Kirkland had three personal fouls against him in the first period. He had his fourth called with 5:40 left in the third period. He remained idle for period and then went back into the contest with 5:21 left in the match. He was held to 12 points for the night.

Jimmy Denny's set of free throws put the Devils on "easy street" late in the final period. Besides Kirkland, who had 12 points, Bill Jordan was the only other two-digit scorer with 10 points.



Joe Whitley and LaGrange Player Exhibit Levitation trick learned in practice. CHS floated to a 49-46 victory over the Grangers.

## In The Winners' Circle: Dan Kirkland

By SHERRY SPURLIN

In many cases, if one were to delve into the background of a fine athlete, he would find that the star comes from a family of fine sportsmen. Dan Kirkland is just such a star. His father was a stand-out player for the Georgia Bulldogs, and his "little" brother, Toby, is a fine player on the Richards Jr. High team.

The background of a good athlete serves its purpose. For Dan this background was effective in developing him into a fine basketball player. But to be a good player and remain so, takes a little devotion and a lot of practice.

Most every afternoon, after school is out, one can find Dan and his team-mates practicing in the gym. Dressed in an array of colorful shorts, and ragged tee-shirts, they hardly resemble the team that we see as spectators at a game. They divide up in teams, laugh, joke, and occasionally someone will try a half-court shot ... and miss.

### Finest Game

For Dan this practice pays off. It was particularly evident in the game against Carver. Scoring 36 points and hauling down 22 rebounds, he played his finest game ever. This effort was very prominent in helping the team to gain round bye in the regional tournament.

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## Powders Whip Puff Team With 33-26 Female Victory

Chalking up victory number two in as many years the Powders creamed the Puffs in the annual Powder-Puff Classic, 33-26.

The Powders were sparked to victory by Leigh Ann, leader of the Pack, Peterson. They came from behind to defeat the heavily favored Puffs, who were captained by Rita, gruesome, Gray.

Gruesome started the scoring as she bounced over the line early

in the first quarter. To the relief of Powder fans, leader of the Pack quickly took the Powders to pay dirt. After running a successful extra point attempt the Powders held the lead and kept it throughout the game. At the half, Powders led 19-12.

## CHS Takes Tigers In 69-68 Maneuver

Carver faced its second major defeat by CHS in a thrilling last second net duel. Columbus out-tallied the Carver team in a 69-68 score.

Carver lost their four game winning streak as the Devils increased theirs to give them an 8-1 Regional standing.

Dan Kirkland was spot-lighted for the CHS Devils with his 36 points. He also snatched 22 rebounds in his attack against Carver. The Tigers loss eliminated their bye in the Regional Tournaments.

The Blue Devils were having trouble at the foul line the last period in the game. CHS missed seven free-throws in the last 3:20 of the game.

Chuck Chadwick tallied three points to put CHS ahead for good. All of his three decisive points were attained from charity-stripe shots.

Neither of the teams ever lead by more than 6 points. CHS hit only .381 of their field goals compared to .338 for the Tigers.

Only three CHS players were in the two digit column. Kirkland shot for 36 points while Speedy Gilstrap hit 12 and Joe Whitley netted 11.

During the entirety of the game the lead changed hands 13 times. The entire game was a touch and go affair.

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## Poet's Corner

### October Poem

my poet sits licking  
his sores, opening old wounds,  
counting blessings, praying for  
religion.

feeding old habits, journeying  
through familiar forests,  
singing songs of joy,  
crying.

my poet sits watching  
a black boy watching  
the white boys  
playing ball and feels  
deep pity for  
them all.

my poet sits, deaf to  
the noises that surround him,  
saving his thoughts for a  
secret music.

my poet sits weeping  
for all humanity,  
leaving no tears  
for himself.

my poet sits,  
wishing that  
he might  
stand.

J. Scott Etheridge

## AMCC Plans Differing Tours

February is an active month of  
the Allied Medical Careers Club.

In the line of earlier activities,  
Nancy Patterson, President, re-  
ports that the members took a  
"most interesting" tour of the new  
Bradley Center Hospital Monday  
night.

The club plans to have its next  
meeting on February 19th. The  
program will feature a talk on the  
profession of lab technology by  
a guest speaker.

### Field Trips

To vary the bi-monthly program  
themes, the members are planning  
field trips. Included may be a visit  
to the physical therapy department  
of the hospital, a demonstration of  
first aid, and a tour of local medi-  
cal offices.

## Computer Matches Financial Sources

A new method of determining  
scholarship qualifications is now  
available to juniors and seniors  
seeking financial aid to attend  
college. The North American  
Educational Computer Services,  
Inc. of Princeton, New Jersey  
employs a computer to match an  
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700,000 items of scholarships and  
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logy, a student first fills out a  
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individualized report to the stu-  
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and to which he should apply. The  
entire one-time cost of this ser-  
vice is \$15.

Further information is avail-  
able through the Guidance Office.

### Trapped

Trapped! trapped alone;  
Cold, damp, dreary walls;  
No light, no air, no escape  
Trapped!  
Atmosphere unknown,  
Pressure high,  
Velocity nil,  
Color black — white — none;  
Trapped!  
Mind bezerk, pulse gone

Infinity — infinity.

Kathy Maholick

## CHS Participates In Town Festival

Columbus High School will  
participate in the city band, chor-  
al, and orchestra festivals for a  
certificate of merit presented by  
the Georgia Music Educational  
Association.

These events will be held Fri-  
day, March 1 and 2. Jordan Voca-  
tional High School will host the  
affair.

Junior and senior high schools  
take part in the competition. Three  
college professors will act as  
judges for each department —  
choral and instrumental. The jud-  
ges will be from universities in  
Georgia and Alabama. Similar  
festivals are produced through-  
out the state, and several other  
states have statewide winners.



Locate name of Mystery Blue  
Devil in the Ads.

## Interact Celebrates "Georgia Day;" Sen. Talmadge Addresses Assembly

Senator Herman E. Talmadge challenged CHS students  
to uphold America's role as "defender of freedom and cham-  
pion of human dignity" at the second annual Georgia Day  
celebration.

Sponsored by the CHS Interact  
Club, the Georgia Day assembly  
was held for seniors, juniors and  
sophomores on February 12, 1968.  
To commemorate the anniversary  
of the State's founding, guests  
for the program included Senator  
Talmadge, Comptroller General  
James Bentley, Rotary Club presi-  
dent Dan Reed, Muscogee School  
Superintendent William Henry  
Shaw, and 1967 Interact Presi-  
dent Pat McGee.

Two CHS Language Clubs have had their monthly meet-  
ing. Mrs. Amos addressed the Spanish Club. An associate of  
the Experiment in Internal Living, Mrs. Amos is a native of  
Cuba. After being introduced by Spanish Club President, Cindy  
Nitcher, Mrs. Amos conducted a  
rather informal meeting. Among  
the highlights of the discussion  
were the suggestion of projects  
the club could undertake.

Suggestions included writing  
Mexican pen pals, making tapes  
for Mexican teenagers, and get-  
ting to know Spanish speaking al-

lied families at Fort Benning. It  
was noted that not only would  
this aid the local Spanish student  
with the practical use of the  
Spanish language but also be an  
tions with Spanish speaking peo-  
investment in United States rela-  
ples.

The J.C.L. held its monthly  
meeting to discuss the Freshmen  
courtyard, the proposed fountain,  
and finances. Mrs. Christopher, the  
advisor and a student committee  
have been actively working on the  
plans for the courtyard. A con-  
tractor has been consulted and the  
club is presently awaiting his  
plans. It was noted that new  
shrubbery has been planted in the  
Freshman courtyard.

The State J.C.L. convention to  
be held in Athens as well as the  
national J.C.L. which will be head-  
quartered in New Orleans were  
discussed. Because of lack of time  
it was decided that they not  
attend the state meeting.

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