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Seniors—4
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Judy Hamilton
Stan Shapiro
Price Walker



Speedy Gilstrap violently destroys a recent BLUE STREAK while Judge Bennett tries to keep order and Attorney Landrum faints.

Jr.-Sr. Dance Is Shaping Up As Early Plans Get Underway

Signs of spring are becoming more and more evident, and plans for a major spring event, the Junior-Senior Prom, have gotten underway.

Saturday, May 10, is the date set for the prom. A committee composed of Speedy Gilstrap, Rhonda Clatt, and Susan Bates is working to secure a band for the dance. They will play from eight to twelve at the Municipal Auditorium.

Decoration themes are being brainstormed by committee head Kay McElroy with the assistance of Johnny Sargent, Alec Norman, Candace Taylor, and Sherry Spurlin. Each year the theme is kept secret until the night of the dance.

The junior class sponsors the prom and is responsible for all plans. Over-all chairman is Miss

Virginia Harwood. Committee heads are completed with Susie Newman, publicity, and Irene Furman, refreshments. Junior class president Speedy Gilstrap said, "Although committee heads have been appointed and plans are being made, we still need as many juniors as possible to volunteer to help with the dance."

All but approximately \$100 has been collected in class dues. Speedy urges each junior to finish paying his dues so the Class of '70 can be 100 per cent.

"Mardi Gras" will be the theme and The Shadows will provide the music at the Sophomore Dance, scheduled for February 28 in the CHS cafeteria. All sophomores who have paid their \$2.00 dues will be admitted free. Regular admission is \$1.00. Sonny Walker, sophomore president, and Helen King, decoration chairman, are working on plans with the help of class adviser, Miss Rodgers.

Junior Civitan Proclaims 'Teen Citizenship Week'

"In these troubled, controversial times, what America needs is a rejuvenation of courage and patriotism," explained Carol McGee, project Civitan. With this in mind, Jr. Civitan, with the authorization of Mayor J. R. Allen, proclaimed a city-wide "Teen Citizenship Week" for the week of February 17-21.

Becky Tew was selected club sweetheart. She will be running for district Miss Junior Civitan in May.

One of the main activities of "Citizenship Week" is the selec-

tion of a Columbus Junior Citizen. Each principal nominates two students from his school on the basis of leadership and citizenship qualities. These names are submitted to the Columbus Civitan Club, who, after examining a list of the students' activities, honors, and qualities, elect the city winners.

Also the club will prepare assemblies at Arnold, Richards, Kendrick, and here. Charles Black, who toured around the world for the Ledger-Enquirer, will discuss citizenship at the Columbus High assembly. The purpose of the Kendrick assembly will be to interest the students in initiating a Junior Civitan there. At Arnold and Richards, members of Jr. Civitan will talk on citizenship. Some of the club will also appear on television to publicize their project.

Pam Wall, treasurer of Junior Civitan, explained that members of the club will try to set a good example by doing good deeds and generally trying to act as a good citizen.

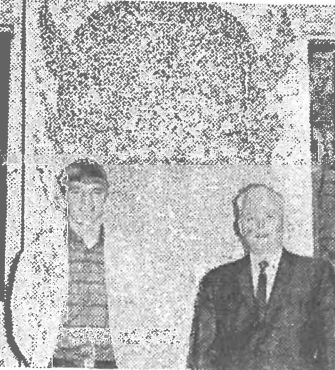
Carol McGee added, "The club asks your full support and participation."

Art Club Presents Mosaic To School And Mr. Dollar

The CHS Art Club has presented the school with a mosaic tile Blue Devil. The devil, which is hanging in the front of the cafeteria, is blue and orange on a white tile background.

Its dimensions are six feet long and four feet wide, and it has '69 in the right bottom corner.

President of the Art Club, Eddie Fox, extends a special "Thank



Art Club President Eddie Fox presents mosaic tile devil to Mr. Dollar.

Violent Commotion Erupts In Gilstrap Slander Trial

Speedy Gilstrap has filed a million dollar suit against the Blue Streak for slander in a recent article.

Mr. Gilstrap testified before a court of inquiry Tuesday, stating that, "I never said them things they said I said." He was immediately granted a hearing and court proceedings began yesterday.

An impartial jury was appointed consisting of respectable citizens Ed Roddenbury, Comer Alexander, Candace Taylor, Anita Carpenter, Edgar Chancellor, Mike Darnell, Jeannette Bussey, Eddie Fox, Lawrence Crisp, Ann King, Emily Mackey, Lou Dillard, and Dean Welch.

Speedy Testifies

Prosecuting attorney, Mr. Landrum, brought his client Mr. Gilstrap before the Honorable Judge Bennett. Speedy testified that in the February 3 issue of the Blue Streak "I was misquoted as saying, 'Unloved legs have a tendency to be either flabby or scrawny.' Now, how in the sam hill could I know anything about unloved legs?!" Defense attorney Herman Dollar claimed that this statement was irrelevant and the plaintiff was dismissed from the stand.

Mr. Landrum then called Blue Streak editor Rosanna Hinman to testify, but she refused on the grounds of self-incrimination. In a sudden rage, Mr. Gilstrap demanded that the defense present a witness, but Judge Bennett interrupted with "SHUT-UP!" and charged the plaintiff with contempt of court.

Brawl Erupts

In ensuing procedures, Sherry Spurlin gave witness to the fact that Speedy had made the statement in question and had even voluntarily posed for a picture. In defense of his innocence, Speedy leaped to the stand and the old right arm plastered the old big mouth. These actions immediately erupted into an all-out courtroom brawl.

Echoing above the commotion was Judge Bennett, bellowing "SHUT-UP!" Mr. Landrum had long since passed out and Mr. Dollar was choking on his cigar.

Violence continued in the courtroom for twelve hours until it was finally suppressed by state police about 1:00 o'clock this morning. By then the jury had been literally hung on the rafters, Judge Bennett had caught laryngitis, and Attorney Dollar had been hauled to jail on a charge of accumulated debts.

The feverish mob had tied Rosanna Hinman to a printing press and dropped her off the 14th Street Bridge. Speedy Gilstrap and Sherry Spurlin are living happily ever after in the State Penitentiary.

Rifle Team Shot

'Em Up In Meet

Blam! Bang! These are the sounds which were heard as the CHS Rifle Team competed in a meet in Tampa, Florida last week end.

The team left Friday anticipating the lively competition awaiting them on Saturday. In action lasting roughly four hours, the boys participated in four relays in which they shot in "prone," "kneeling," and "standing" positions.

Members of the "gun-ho" team are Robert Hooks - team captain, David Roberts, Bill Ellison, Theon Crouch, Robie Gunn, and Howard Taylor on Varsity. Junior Varsity players are Charles Doucett, Mike Smallwood, Johnnie O'Neal and Jimmy McCorlew.

Back on home ground, the boys practice Mondays and Wednesdays to keep honed up and try to better their scores.

"Last year was our building year," remarked team mate David Roberts, "it being Sergeant Reynolds' first year. He has really brought us out of the hole. I feel that by next year we can stand up and look good against any team."



This mischievous Blue Devil caught his older brother's closet on fire, and burned a rented tuxedo which they had to pay for. Locate his name in the ads.

EDITOR'S NOTES The BLUE STREAK tends humble apologies to JUDY HAMILTON for not PROMPTLY printing her acceptance to Agnes Scott.

School Denies Freedom With Religious Practices

By Stan Shapiro

A careful analysis of duplicity in our school system's policy is warranted and in fact long overdue. Tradition has led our school system (or more accurately, misled) to believe that the public school is the expedient place for prayer and religious practices. Evidence lies in the light that Georgia Law informs schools of their obligation to read "not less than one chapter" of the Bible (whose Bible?); Muscogee County further commands recitation of the "Lord's Prayer" as well as a scriptural reading.

The Georgia Council of Churches has contributed some worthwhile comments towards the situation. A declaration by the State's highest interdenominational voice composed of both Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish sects, stated that "genuine religious belief is a voluntary act of the will and not a product of human coercion." Further it stated that "government support of religion is inevitably a form of such coercion" and that "the maintenance and furtherance of religion are the responsibilities of the church, synagogue and home and not of the public school."

The Georgia Council of Churches has adherence to Supreme Court decisions, and an end to the violations of the separation of Church and State. Has the Empire State fortitude to correct its wrong?

College Corner

University of Texas at Austin

By Alice Satlof

Given the word, "TEXAS," the average person will think of the caricature cowboy, bragging that everything is bigger and better in his sovereign "nation." I was once one of the average people who scoffed any truth in the idea; but, now, a converted Texan, I find myself bubbling with the Texas pride and I want to brag about my second home, the University of Texas, at Austin.

First, pardner, the University meets the basic qualification to be a part of Texas. It is BIG!! The 250-acre main campus in Austin has an enrollment of 34,000 students in 12 academic colleges, including pharmacy, law, and engineering. It offers graduate courses and also has two medical branches in San Antonio and Galveston. It conducts research in every field of science.

A state-supported school, the University charges minimal tuition fees. Entrance requirements have been raised this year. For the entering freshmen, in-state students must have 1,000 on their SAT and a B average, and out-of-state students much have 1,200 with a B average. Once one has been accepted and passed some of the required freshman courses, he will find the way much easier. The school is on the semester system, but plans to be on the tri-mester system by September, 1970.

Of course, the student comes to Texas in order to get an education, but he finds many other activities to divert his mind during his spare time. Football season is thrilling, as any fan could tell by the 1969 Cotton Bowl Classic. The Longhorns came out third in the nation according to statistics, but we all know who is really number one!!



Braingoofs

Laugh-In Lovers

Influenced by Laugh-In, the Blue Streak decided to match up the student body to see what wierd combinations of names are possible. For example, if Pam Wall married Tom Flowers, she'd be Pam Wall Flowers!

Or if Susie Maxwell was coupled with John House, she'd be Susie Maxwell House. If Nancy Woodall was hitched to John Drew, she'd become Nancy Drew. If Rosanna Hinman decided to marry John Posey, she'd be Rosie Posey.

If Julie Byrd married Joel Johnson, and Joel was knighted by the Queen, she'd be Lady J. Byrd Johnson. If Cupid shot Virginia Collins and David Wolfe, she'd be Virginia Wolfe. If Pat Burnham, fell in love with Carl Vann, she would be renamed Pat Burnham Vann. Suppose Mr. Martini proposed to Connie Olive?

If Miss Higgins married Don Hill, she would become (Heaven Help Us!) Fanny Hill! If Polly Hogg eloped with Sonny Waller, she'd be known as Polly Hogg Waller. Lyn Berry and John Bush's marriage would result in a Lyn Berry Bush.

Teacher Tatties

She Was Fat And Homely . . .

Remembers Coach Dunn

By Kathy French

Cupid will be on hand today to contemplate CHS's love situation and certainly he won't overlook Columbus' own sweetheart, Coach Joe Dunn.

In recalling childhood Valentine Days, Coach Dunn reveals that his first sweetheart was short, fat and very homely. Appearances didn't seem to matter however, for he would ride three miles on his bicycle just to see her.

A graduate of the University of the Chattanooga, and Columbus High School, the main thing he remembers while in high school is when in the playoff for Regional Football Title they lost to Moultrie 7-6. Another memory is beating Valdosta 54-19 which the coach claimed, "just didn't happen too often." His favorite class, as he recalls was Mrs. Christopher's Latin class because it was always so interesting.

Coach Dunn held many honors while at CHS. He was a member of the Key Club, the C-Club, Student Council, and JCL. He was the co-captain of both the football and baseball teams, and also played basketball. His senior classmates chose him as Most Athletic and he was also a Senior Attractive. Columbus High was surely proud when Coach Dunn was elected Captain of the All-State football team, and received the coveted honor of the outstanding high school football player in the state of Georgia.

Charming Lad Rescues Beautiful Young Maiden

There once was a time when an ugly old witch named "Sabrina" Curl lived in a haunted castle. This haunted castle had a magic blackboard. One day "Sabrina" said, "Blackboard, Blackboard on the wall, who's the fairest of them all?" The blackboard, replied, "Sure ain't you, Old Lady Curl, it's 'Matilda' Morgan."

Well, the old witch was so jealous that she sent for "Jasper" Buntin to take "Matilda" Morgan out in the woods and kill her. Knowing "Jasper," as we all do, we know he wouldn't have the nerve to kill her so he told her to stay in the woods and steer clear of "Sabrina" Curl.

While "Matilda" Morgan was looking for a place to live she stumbled across a dirty little shack and seven cruddy dwarfs. Their names were, Caesar Chancellor, Rupert Reames, Percival Patterson, Gaspard Geeslin, Siegfried Shumney, Pedro Parker and Cicero Cummings, they thought she was so beautiful and asked her to live with them (for more reasons than one). "Matilda" Morgan, knowing she wouldn't find a better deal, accepted.

When mean old "Sabrina" Curl found out that sweet old "Jasper" Buntin had not killed "Matilda" Morgan, she whipped up marijuana cigarette and rushed directly to the dirty shack of the cruddy dwarfs. She tempted her with the weed and "Matilda" Morgan, not being able to refuse to fill her lungs, took a drag. She immediately keeled over in a deep sleep.

The next day the seven cruddy dwarfs, coming back from an all night drunk, found her uptight. In the midst of burial plans who should drive up but Claude "Charming." He kissed her juicy red lips, she sprang to her feet, and away they rode in his Mercury Cyclone.

Social Science Winners

Columbus High District Social Science Fair Winners
Class III, grades 10, 11, 12

Name	Place	Division
Susan Russell and Aleen Rothschild	Grand Prize	Political Science
David Murphy	first	Political Science
Pam Johnson	second	Political Science
Terri Wright	third	Sociology
Ann McMillan	second	Anthropology
Research Papers		
Patty Duncan	first	Sociology
Bob Brady	second	Sociology
Jean Presley	second	Economics
Class II, grades 7, 8, 9		
Donnie Simmons	third	Sociology

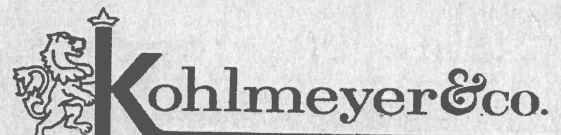
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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Twila And Dan Reminisce Days From School Valentine Parties

By Alicia Fraser

Twila Rhodes and Dan Kirkland, as our King and Queen of Hearts, reminisce incidents from Valentine's Day as kids.

Parties given at the school were favorites of both Twila and Dan. Twila added, "I couldn't wait till three o'clock when everyone would go around dropping valentines in the little pouches we had made the day before. Then we would all fight about who had gotten the most valentines."

However what Dan remembered as best were, "The cookies and drinks we got at our class parties. Some of the dumb people, like Patty Harrell, liked to get cards, but they never seemed to turn me on."

Something funny always happens when kids are having a party. Twila stated, "After all the

exchanging of cards and candy at one party, I got real mad at a little girl for giving a valentine to my boyfriend, and I pushed her on the ground and left in a rage of jealousy."

Dan thought, "The teacher running around the room like an idiot was the funniest thing I remember. She was trying to keep order and yelling about how she didn't want to be a policeman."

Now that childhood days are over, Twila feels the most sentimental thing about Valentine's Day is "looking at old cards and trying to figure out who in the world Susie G. or Tom C. is."

The most sentimental thing to Dan is "Nothing! I'm not very sentimental about Valentine's

Day. It is a very overrated holiday in my opinion."

As a varsity cheerleader Twila remembered her most embarrassing moment. "It was during the Lanier basketball game while we were doing a cheer when I noticed everybody was staring at me. I immediately felt self-conscious and looked down to find the snap had come off my kilt and it was staying up just with the assistance of my kilt pin."

Dan was recently voted the number one basketball player in Georgia by the Atlanta Journal. Dan's most embarrassing moment occurred during a basketball game. "In last year's sub-region tournament, I tipped in a basket for LaGrange in the final minutes of the game. It didn't matter, though, because they beat us by one point."

Both Twila and Dan have many other activities and honors. Twila served as a junior varsity cheerleader her sophomore year. She is an active member of Junior Civitan.

Dan broke the all-time Bi-City scoring record this year and was picked pre-season All American in two national magazines. As a junior he was on the All-State basketball team.

Alien Invader Attacks Blue Devils In Quest For More Love Power

Invasion of Columbus High by an alien force resulted in a severe panic by the student body and faculty until an unexpected subject emerged as hero and saved the day.

The invader was first seen this morning by Devil personality Mr. Herman Weindish. He was innocently listening to an Al Martino album when the UFO flew through the maintenance office. Upon questioning by investigators, Mr. Weindish described the foreigner as a "cotton pickin' naked boy!"

UFO Attacks Freshmen
A second incident occurred when John Martin was attacked in the freshmen wing. As reporters rushed to the scene, John was in a dazed state, repeating over and over, "Little arrows everywhere!"

Tom Flowers, who had been standing nearby, had evidently received minor inflictions. Friends report that he was walking down the hall telling everybody, "I wuv you!" Coty Kite, however, provided a cure which took immediate effect—(slap!). Tom is now recovering in the Medical Center from a minor concussion.

The next victim, Colonel Bill Hickey, was so completely overwhelmed by the foreigner that he charged down the Sophomore hall in a raging fit of hysteria. It seems that the UFO has adverse effects

Hero Captures Alien
Being a man of great intelligence, Colonel Hickey knew exactly where he could find refuge. He raced into the Blue Streak room where a harem of girls began to calm the poor man's nerves. Meanwhile, Blue Streak hero, Gary Hancock, with his trusty butterfly net, dashed out the door. Within seconds he was back with the UFO struggling and babbling in the net.

Streak Exhibits Cupid
The Blue Streak reports that everything is now under control. The alien, who identified himself as the age-old babe of love—Cupid, is safely secured in the back room. He will be on exhibit all day today. Admission is 25 cents for boys and 50 cents for girls.

Mr. Hancock, the admirable hero, has been promised an automatic 'A' for his brave deed. Mr. Weindish was privileged as the first to view the captured Cupid, but left muttering something about "putting some clothes on the cotton pickin' boy!"



High above CHS, seniors Twila Rhodes and Dan Kirkland are hoping for a glance of Cupid.

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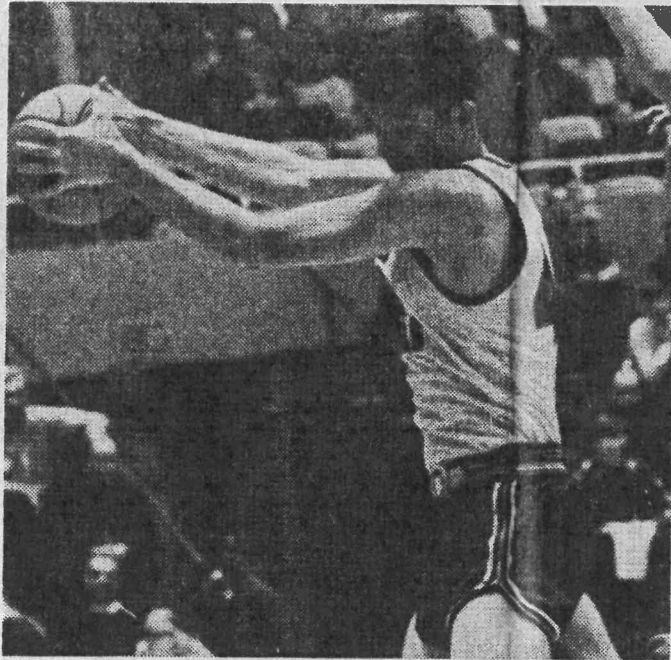
Dropped Baton Yields Second

The Columbus High track team recently attended the Allcomers Track Meet at the University of Tennessee. Twenty-five teams from the Southeast participated in the meet.

In individual competition, Senior Joe Lee netted the highest Imp win, with a third place finish in the 600 yard run. Willie Walker placed fourth in the same event. In the 60 yard dash Mike Darnell finished fifth and Gary Clarke gnared a sixth in the mile run to finish the awards.

Disappointment

Disappointment settled the meet when the Imps' mile relay team was forced into a second place finish after dropping the baton. Participants on the team were Joe Lee, Mike Darnell, Robert Wilson, and Verlyn Perry.



Kirkland Scores 57 Points Against Willingham; Adds 30 More In Win Over Central Imps

In action preceding the tournament play, Columbus crushed Willingham with a record breaking avalanche and humbled winless Central.

Missing the most points scored in a single game by only 2, the varsity Devils shalacked Willingham 113-79 in the Columbus gym. Junior Speedy Gilstrap scored an impressive 33 points for the night. However, this performance was overshadowed by the magnificent play of center Dan Kirkland. Tallying 57 points and bringing down numerous rebounds, Kirkland hit 22 field goals and went 13 for 15 from the free throw line. The total he scored was enough for a new bi-city record.

The game was unexciting as far as close competition but the fans knew that there was something special about the playing. They were right. By the end of the third period, the Devils owned a 30 point margin and their point onslaught began, scoring as many as six baskets in a row before the other team could get possession of the ball.

In action against Central, the Imps again were victorious. Playing on their home court, the Devils threw the ball home for an easy 83-64 win over the hapless Red Devils.

SPORTALK

Columbus Cagers Are Number 1 Without Assistance From Violence

What a mess . . . That's what it was, a mess. Stolen purses, lead pipes, chains, knives, fists, words, police, sirens . . . run, fight!

Scared, that's what most people were. There was nothing racial about it. Three arrests, several in the hospital and many others treated and released, broken glass and damaged property, Blood and even tear-gas. Many say that there has never been a riot in Columbus like they have in other cities over poverty, and racial trouble. Well, there was no poverty or racial conflict, this trouble was brought on by basketball. That simple sport where men work the ball around and put it through a netted hoop for two points each time. However, when the little man in the striped shirt says that somebody did a bad thing, then the player who has had the bad thing done to him gets a free toss at the basket.

FOUL! FOUL! FOUL! That's what should be called on the loss of their team in the contest (arily of basketball) who showed a childish display of violence after a basketball contest. Granted, many were disappointed over the loss of their team in the cntest but there is no justification to the violence and damage that their disappointment incurred.

Columbus High can be proud of its team for their fine display of sportsmanship and good conduct on the court. Playing under "adverse" conditions, the Devils stayed calm and played the game as a game and not as a matter of life and death. Perhaps their behavior will be an example to the

Devils Swamp Wave For Glorious Victory

Starting at the top and staying there, Columbus High's Blue Devil Cagers washed out Spencer and upheld their ranking in Georgia's top ten.

Dan Kirkland, Georgia's number one player, upheld his All-American rating, scoring 40 points. These points sent his career total to over 2,000. Kirkland was followed in scoring by Speedy Gilstrap with 22, Jimmy Denny with 16, and Larry Phillips with 10. Chuck Chadwick scored 6 and was instrumental in ball-handling.

The first quarter was no indication of the rout that followed. The Imps held only a one point advantage, 19-18 at the end of the first stanza. The second period was no better an indication. It ended with the Imps ahead at 48-40. However, the Devil's lead was never again threatened.

In foul trouble early, Spencer was forced to rely on its bench strength. Hoping to stay in the game, the Greenwave coach took out his troubled stars early and saved them to the end.

The end came sooner than anyone expected. As the third quarter opened the Devils began a runaway performance. They stretched their lead to as many as 20 points. They were unstopable. At one stretch the two teams were matching baskets but to no avail for the Greenwave.

Spencer's five actually beat the Devils from the floor but free

throws took their toll. The game put the two teams into a tie for the sub-region lead.

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