

Although Not Planned Miracle Drugs, Plastered Placards Block the 'Panels'

With just two days of advisory campaigning left, the harassed and nerve-shattered ASB candidates can look forward to the even more hectic and decisive nominating convention next Monday. Politics will be at their shadiest as the candidates vie for their prospective offices.

Proclaim Potential

Posters, newspaper ads, and badges already proclaim that each candidate is better than his adversaries. Throughout the election, posters have gotten progressively larger and higher (some students may recall vice president Jim Reynolds and Mike Martin's mammoth sign high on the girls' gym last year).

Some posters even seem to grow in length from signs added by opponents to the already strategically located posters. One interesting result of the campaign is the decrease in the light level in the cafeteria which is caused by having its window panes plastered with posters. It even hurts one's eyes to venture into the sunlight after lunch in the cafeteria.

Candidates Vie

This year, with Sam Stover not seeking re-election, the path is open for either candidate Steve Bailey, Niel Champlin, David Hill and Phil Spain. Three candidates

Keith Ernst, Fern Haynes, and Rick Wilkenson, are all vying for the vice presidency. The office of secretary is one of the most popular, having four aspirants. They are Cetta Argentino, Rhonda Beaver, Monica Bonds, and Waltina Rowe. The ASB's only two time runner (for the same office), Rick Tuuri, is competing against Alan Shorr and Cindy Bayless for the office of commissioner of finance.

ASB Transfusion

The new commissioner of organizations will be either Maggie Caldwell, Sharon Fisher, or Danny Hill. There is a choice of Edith Darden, Laurie Marin, and Debbie Matheney for commissioner of public relations. Teri Haslett, Diane Lidgett, and Darla Sparks are contestants for the office of commissioner of cultural affairs.

The newly created office of rallies will be filled by either Rickey Lee, Mandy McClellan, or Linda Mydland. Kris Bower, being the single candidate for girls' league president, will no doubt be victorious.

No Athletes' Foot

Making up for this deficiency are the hopefuls for the commissioner of girls' athletics and boys' activities. For girls' athletics the contestants are Georgia Bookout, Glory Jue, Marybelen Rivera, Deb-

bie Shell, and Bonnie Waite.

Ron Brown, McClanahan, Tom Parry, Jim Patrick, and Doug Smith are running for Jerry Mason's and Eugene Walker's now combined office, commissioner of boys' activities.

Three Fare Better

The convention promises to be very exciting this year with only one office a give away. The senior class will have three delegate votes, the juniors 34, the sophomores 52, and the freshmen 52. Only three advisories have four delegates this year. They are the advisories of Miss Donna Hopkins, Mr. John Vallely, and Miss Sally Schumacher.

On the next day, Friday, registered voters may exercise their right of suffrage. Approximately 76 per cent of the total student body registered this year. The sophomore class has the most voters with a registration equal to 86 per cent of their class.

The election ball, at which the newly elected candidates will be announced, will be held that same day. Chris Berger, chairman of the dance, which will be sponsored by the sophomore class, says that although plans have not been completed, it will be different from the average dance.



Signs, tension, and perspiration are all part of South's nominating convention. This will probably be the case Monday, as it was at last year's convention. Casting their votes then were Debbie Shell, Gary Barnes, Lisa Brown, and Judy Lautsch.

CANDIDATES FOR ASB PRESIDENCY REVEAL INTENDED PLANS FOR SUCCESSFUL REIGNS

DAVID HILL—

In seeking the office of ASB president, I would, in addition to fulfilling my other duties, do everything possible to speed up the construction of the student park by organizing various interclass fund raising campaigns to be used for the park. I would also involve South High students in more student government activities of the type the present administration has promoted so successfully this year.

PHIL SPAIN—

I've found that the class presidents don't have the voice on the executive board they should have. There is no guaranteed representation from the classes. By making class presidents voting members of the executive board, I think more students will get involved and feel

they have some say about school policies.

STEVE BAILEY—

Personal involvement is a well-known issue. I hope to kindle the enthusiasm of the student body and generate ideas from both the executive board and all students. I would also like to see the class presidents become voting members of the executive board. This will also help to bring a union between the classes and the school.

NEIL CHAMPLIN—

I think the student store can make much more money than it did this year if the executive board would work with the student store in a more business-like manner. I think clubs could make more money at a club fair one night next spring.

FOURTH PLACE BAGGED BY RICK AT DRUM MAJOR COMPETITION

Many celebrated faces grace the South High campus, and to these one may now add the mug of sophomore Rick Wilkenson. Rick recently became the recipient of the fourth place position in military drum major state competition held at Fresno State College.



Assuming a traditional stance, Rick Wilkenson displays the talent that won him a fourth place in military drum major state competition in Fresno.

In Fresno Rick met with a meticulous uniform inspection and was carefully judged on appearances and the most minute details of his dress. He was also required to display his talents as the director of a band and did so with the aid



Today—Drama presentation: Finian's Rainbow

Friday—Baseball, West (here)

Drama: Finian's Rainbow

Golf, North (at Kern City)

Swimming, East (at BC)

Tennis, Foothill (girls here)

Saturday—Drama: Finian's Rainbow

Kern relays track event

Monday—ASB nominating convention

Tuesday—Baseball, North (there)

Open debate during lunch hours

Golf, West (Kern City)

Song and cheer leader screening

Tennis, West (girls there)

Wednesday—Open debate during lunch hours

Song and cheer leader screening

May 2—Open debate during lunch hours

May 3—ASB election

Election ball

SYL track meet

Baseball, East (there)

Golf, East (at Bakersfield Country Club)

League diving meet (at BC)

Tennis, North (girls there)

May 4—League swim meet (at BC)

May 6—Art Fair

May 7—Baseball, BHS (there)

Golf, BHS (Kern City)

PROJECTIONS
of
CAREERS
in
TEN YEARS
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Yell Aspirants Face Scrutinizing

As campaigning excitement mounts for political aspirants, so it does for the students involved in the song and yell apprenticeship program. Hopefuls will face screening next Tuesday and Wednesday to determine who will be eligible to run for song and yell leaders. Elections for these positions will be held on May 16.

Seven prospective yell leaders include Georgia Bookout, Kerry Izard, Connie Odle, Deni Rose, Caren Souers, Claudia Hardy, and

Springtime Highbrows Look for Art Fair '68

South High's art club, under the leadership of advisor Miss Diane Murray, will open the third annual Art Fair on Monday, May 6, and will continue it through Wednesday, May 8. The event will be held on the patio of the faculty dining room during all lunch hours on those three days.

There will be several types of art shown, including paintings in oil, watercolor, and pastels. Sculpture will also be shown, and the papier-mache animals, which have been favorites each year, will also be displayed. To create a relaxed atmosphere, background music will be played while students browse.

Many of the objects-d'art will be on sale. In past years, several of the paintings have been successfully sold to the highest bidder. More competition for honors will take place when the awards for excellent work in several categories (best use of black and white best all-around, best oil, etc.).

Any student who wants to enter his works may do so free of charge (a small fee may be charged to cover cost of ribbons) by contacting Miss Murray in E-47.

Art club members are expecting a successful showing. Typified by president Ethel Wimsett, the cry is, "Art Club is alive and living in E-47!"

TV to Reveal The SH Story

Remember what a big thrill it was when your grammar school made the T.V. scene on School Days? Mr. Ron Fontaine, dean of student activities, reported that each high school now has the opportunity to participate in a similar type program on Channel 17. "We have taken that opportunity to present South High for one half hour," said Mr. Fontaine who will act as

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Pam Bennam.

The eleven girls seeking places on the song leading squad are Judy Christman, Christine Eckert, Ellen Elmore, Terri Haslett, Marsha Kniffen, Bonnie Lewis, Connie Newton, Debbie Simpson, Diane Somers, Roxann Weichert, and Mariene Devries.

The three junior members of the present group of song and yell leaders are automatically eligible to run because they have maintained an adequate grade average and have had a year's experience. They are Linda Dowlearn, Sachi Kuwa-

hara, and Pam Morrow.

Items that the girls will be judged on include appearance, pep, coordination, poise, and their knowledge of sports. Additional points may be earned by the presentation of original routines which the girls have been working on.

The screening committee will consist of Miss Helen Felton, Mr. Ron Fontaine, Mr. John Briscoe, Mrs. Linda Sargent, Shelley Shell, Pam Hunt, Glenda Rogers, and two other members of the song and yell leading group.



Veteran spirit rouser Linda Dowlearn joins song and yell hopefuls Georgia Bookout (in front) and Bonnie Lewis at a recent practice.

DEVOTED STUDENTS ANTICIPATE AWARDS

The hour of glory is fast approaching for students who have excelled in various types of co-curricular activities. According to Mr. Ron Fontaine, dean of student activities, the night set aside to honor this dedicated number is next Wednesday. Selected students and their parents will congregate in the cafeteria at 6:30 for the annual cultural awards banquet. The PTA and Associated Student Body will co-sponsor this event.

Mr. Robert Douglas will serve as master of ceremonies at this banquet which is designed to recognize outstanding participants in

advanced girls' glee, choir, band orchestra, Rebel Yell, Merrimac, Photostatts, drama, speech, and art. Many of these students will be receiving certificates or letters for their achievements.

Tickets for the banquet should be purchased from the individual activity advisors by tomorrow so that appropriate preparations can be made. Prices are 50c for students and \$2.50 for parents and guests.

Those planning to attend can anticipate a pleasant meal which will be catered by Clarks' Broiler. Members of the FHA will serve.

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EDITORIAL

Convention Noise: Is It Really Worthwhile?

The convention is traditionally a place of noise, confusion,—and fun. The convention is more than just a chance to get out of class. Students must not forget that it is also an important facet of student government. It can easily be both enjoyable and instructional with the help of the audience.

In past year, the commissioner of organizations has been forced to clear the gym of spectators because the noise was excessive. It is hoped members of the audience can control their excitement enough so the gym won't have to be cleared this year. When there is too much noise, neither the spectators nor the delegates can hear. This could result in mis-cast

votes, and nobody wants their vote cast for the wrong person.

There are other disadvantages to the noise. The convention draws visitors from other schools. What will they think of South if our students can't be allowed to watch their own convention?

At the convention, if the temptation to misbehave arises, consider the whole world is watching. Don't be responsible for tarnishing the image of South. There are signs hung all over the gym, just waiting for some industrious person to tear down. The destruction of a candidate's publicity by a few irresponsible students makes the rest of the students seem irresponsible too.—S.H.

Carpetbagging

The Epic of Foothill High School recently printed an article about locker contents. Some of the lockers contained stale lover letters, dirty kleenex, a teddy bear, a copy of "101 Realistic Excuses for Tardiness," and a super-dooper do-it-yourself cigarette roller.

Kennewick High School, of Kennewick, Washington, held its first "computerized" dance. Reporters hoped nobody got matched with somebody they absolutely despised.

From the Oceana Breakers, Oceana High School, Pacifica, California: "Certainly, Mrs. Elizabeth Drucker received a small gift. As a matter of fact she screamed when she saw it. It wasn't a scream of joy when she opened her brief case and there was a small rae, but she screamed just the

same.

The Crier of El Dorado High School, El Dorado, Kansas printed a feature, "What We Can Do Without." Some of the responses were: guidance office, early mornings, mononucleosis, homework, and school.

From the Bear Facts of Arvin High School: "happiness is having a car, an unread Peanuts Book, and good grades."

From the Cardinal and White's (Whittier High) "Ins and Outs" column: making up last year's tardies is in, watching "The Bullwinkle Show" is out, watching "George of the Jungle" is in, saying "and", and "and", is out, and saying "Oh, crummie buttons" is in.

ISSUES AND OPINIONS

"What Do You Think You Will Be Doing Ten Years From Now?"

Susan Sherer: "Still trying to pass algebra."

Eleanor Gragg: "Teaching, I hope."

Cheri Bennet: "In an airplane as a stewardess."

Judy Rimer: "Teaching little brats."

Lisa Fresk: "In South America with the Peace Corps."

Rick Wilkenson: "Oh, I'll be a millionaire by then."

Brenda Farmer: "Ten years? Oh, I'll be married and have a whole bunch of kids."

Waltina Rowe: "I'll more than likely be in the women's prison for forgery."

Phillip Bell: "Probably in the intensive care unit at some hospital dying of cirrhosis of the liver."

Debby Boyer: "To be nice and rich."

Mary Brimmer: "I'll be married

and have four sets of twins—I already have them named."

Sachi Kuwahara: "Maybe I'll be a song leader in a mini-skirt."

Mary Green: "Taking in poor homeless kittens, puppies, and other little animals."

Kathy Bower: "Riding horses in the Kentucky Derby."

TV to Reveal

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advisor to the student participants.

Sam Stover and Ethel Wimsett will be the student coordinators of the production which will be aired this Saturday afternoon.

To get everyone in the right "mood," South's Pep Band and Song leaders will open the show. The rest of the program will be devoted to giving the public a view of the activities on campus.

Hootenannying

Members of the South High folk club recently held their third annual hootenanny in the lecture center.

According to club president Steve Tinsley, the nannies hooted beautifully. Local talent from all over Kern County had a chance to demonstrate their talent.

A PEACE CANDIDATE FOR ALL-OUT EFFORT?

As campus politics are getting increasingly hotter, the national election scene is quickly reaching even higher temperatures. Every four years, just before elections, Time magazine polls college and high school students to discover which directions their fevers are running, so this year South's senior AB4 government students participated in the poll.

The results of the poll on this campus were rather puzzling, since the seniors were rather irregular in their voting. Though Robert Kennedy, known as a peace-in-Vietnam candidate, received a plurality vote on the Democratic ticket, the seniors almost unanimously called for an all-out military effort in Vietnam.

The results of the poll (taken before Johnson announced his withdrawal):

PARTY REFERENCE	
Democrat	56

Republican	37
Other Party	4
Independent	25

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE			
	1st	2nd	3rd
CHOICE			
Fred Halstead (Socialist Worker)	1	0	0
Mark O. Hatfield (Rep.)	1	5	1
Lyndon B. Johnson (Dem.)	22	17	17
John V. Lindsay (Rep.)	1	1	5
Eugene McCarthy (Dem.)	11	12	12
Richard M. Nixon (Rep.)	30	16	6
Charles H. Percy (Rep.)	2	7	7
Ronald W. Reagan (Rep.)	5	8	5
Nelson Rockefeller (Rep.)	7	18	16
Harold E. Stassen (Rep.)	1	0	1
George Wallace (Am. Ind.)	5	8	11
Barry Goldwater (Rep.)	1	0	0
Pat Paulson (?)	1	0	0

WHAT MILITARY ACTION SHOULD THE U.S. PURSUE IN VIETNAM	
Immediate withdrawal of American Forces	10

THREE YEARS AGO

Students listed their favorite spring hobbies. They ranged from pearl diving to putting alligators to sleep.

ONE YEAR AGO

The SHS cafeteria started cooking the favorite foods of the student body, but only the same five favorites week after week.

Phased reduction of American military activity	15
Maintain current level of American military activity	10
Increase the level of American military activity	25
"All out" American military effort	59

WHAT COURSE OF ACTION THE U.S. SHOULD PURSUE IN REGARDS TO THE BOMBING IN N. VIETNAM	
Permanent cessation of bombing	6
Temporary suspension of bombing	10
Maintain current level of bombing	15
Intensify bombing	84
Use of nuclear weapons	6

WHAT SHOULD RECEIVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY IN GOV'T. SPENDING	
Education	25
Job training and employment opportunities	58
Housing	9
Income subsidy	3
Riot control and stricter law enforcement	22

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"BACK IN TH' GOOD-OLE-DAYS' THAT WAS DONE IN 'EFFIGY.'"

Old Days in Dixie

TEN YEARS AGO

Opinions were given by the male of the species on the chemise dresses. The consensus of the majority was that they're "stupid!"

FIVE YEARS AGO

More than 2300 students were pre-registered for the 1963-64 school year. The breakdown: freshmen, 630; sophomores, 650; juniors, 525; and seniors, 435.

SHARON FISHER'S 'DIXIE DATA'

South High Student Memories Are Made of This:

Many hope the occurrences in the past that caused students' faces to turn a lovely shade of beet red have been long forgotten, but such is not the case. The coals in the active memories of friends and enemies have been prodded, for the sake of scandalous journalism, into bursting into a flame of fond remembrances.

Father Time's visage must surely light up with a smile when he looks back to see little six year old Ruben Rivera topple head-first from his bike during a grand exhibition for doting neighborhood fans. It was discovered that due to this upsetting incident Ruben, even as a senior contracted that rare disease known as trikeaphobia.

Everyone has ideals in life, no matter how insignificant they may seem, even if its to have a karate chop as powerful as Kato's, or to have knees like Twiggy. The boy with the ideal feet in eighth grade was Tom Heflin who was rumored to carry his own skis on the ends of his legs.

Today's music consists of the Animals, the Monkees, etc., but right here we have the three hippopotami, Kathy Bower, Claudia Christman, and Cindy Mathews, who appeared in select roles in the annual Christmas play during

their eighth grade.

Predictions as to what one may become are always being made, and such was the case during the sixth grade year of several persons presently maintaining the postions of juniors. Steve McAbee, according to the predictions then, is destined to become a flea trainer, Randy Fowler a tiddlewink champ, and Blake Green a tie painter, with Merry Leong making a career out of clothespin making, and Pam Lewis moistening the backs of

stamps.

Great actors and actresses have first gotten their starts in with small insignificant parts, but John White did not start out with a minor role: he was the starring figure as the littlest angel in his eighth grade Christmas play.

No matter how deep and dark on's past may be, remember, there is always someone with shovel in hand, ready to dig up the skeletal remains of things better to be forgotten.

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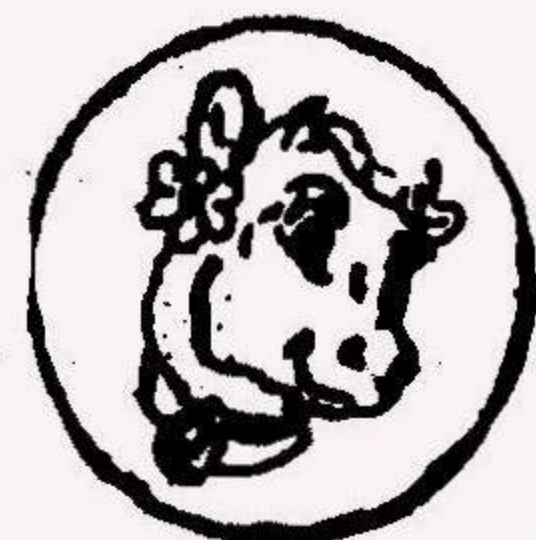
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Styles Reflect Individualism

By PATTI KELLER and JANET WARD

"School is a place for learning" is a well-worn phrase, but it doesn't continue to express campus-related problems that have nothing to do with the three R's. And one of the oldest questions that faces teachers and students alike is, "What shall I wear?"

—Faculty Conservative But Individualists—

Teachers generally face the dress problem conservatively and consider it from the standpoint of their own professional ethics as

gold; likewise, shop teacher Mr. Russ Kominitzky evidently finds pleasure in donning plaid pants with matching shirt and jacket. An impartor of biological knowledge, Mr. Myron Klingensmith, goes mod with the total look of matching pants, pin-striped shirt, tie, and socks; besides that, he keeps his hair cut almost, but not quite, too long. Mrs. Linda Settle brightens up the look of her unusually conservative dress by carrying a suede-patch purse bordered with

stockings are very much "in." There are, however, heard some words of dissent from the male population, such as senior David Frye, who prefers the "natural look" in legs.

Dresses are being worn in color combinations that would have horrified grandmother (or even mother) in her girlish days. Orange and pink, and green and blue are seen more and more in hard-on-the-eyes outfits. However, there is a trend in some senior circles toward the more feminine look. Diane Garcia and Bobbie Deschanden both agree that femininity is the greatest, though they go about it in different ways: Diane prefers ruffles and frills, while Bobbie believes simplicity is the key.

Jewelry, too, (although rarely worn on campus) ranges from bright and flashy (usually among the younger set) to small and dainty (for the older and more sophisticated). Long strings of beads and bells are often co-ordinated with outfits. Earrings vary from long dangly loops to small pierced-look beauties. In other words, almost anything goes in the jewelry department.

As for the feet, the Roaring Twenties look is back with the little square toes and the wide stacked heels. No matter what the outfit, a small heel is in.

— Words From the Wise —

Today's campus look is a bit varied, and one may find it difficult to decide on the right one for him. Of some help may be these words from Lavater: "Be neither too early in fashion, nor too long out of it; nor at any time in the extremities of it."

Car Wash

French Club was the first campus organization to have a car wash at Valley Plaza. Members scrubbed cars at the Sears Service center for 99c per car



Shelley Shell and Susan Day model the newest fashions in feminine frills and simplicity.

educators. Because of this, says Miss Jeannine Thompson, Dean of Girls, there is rarely any problem with the appearance of the faculty. The male sector generally sport ties and sports jackets, while the women prefer well-fitting dresses or suits, heels and (always) nylons.

Nonetheless, the faculty members are individuals, and their needs to demonstrate this individuality must be met. Thus one may often find math instructor Mr. Don Ward replacing his conservative blacks and grays for vibrant colors such as blue, yellow, green, and

Indian fringe.

— New Trends Toward Legs —

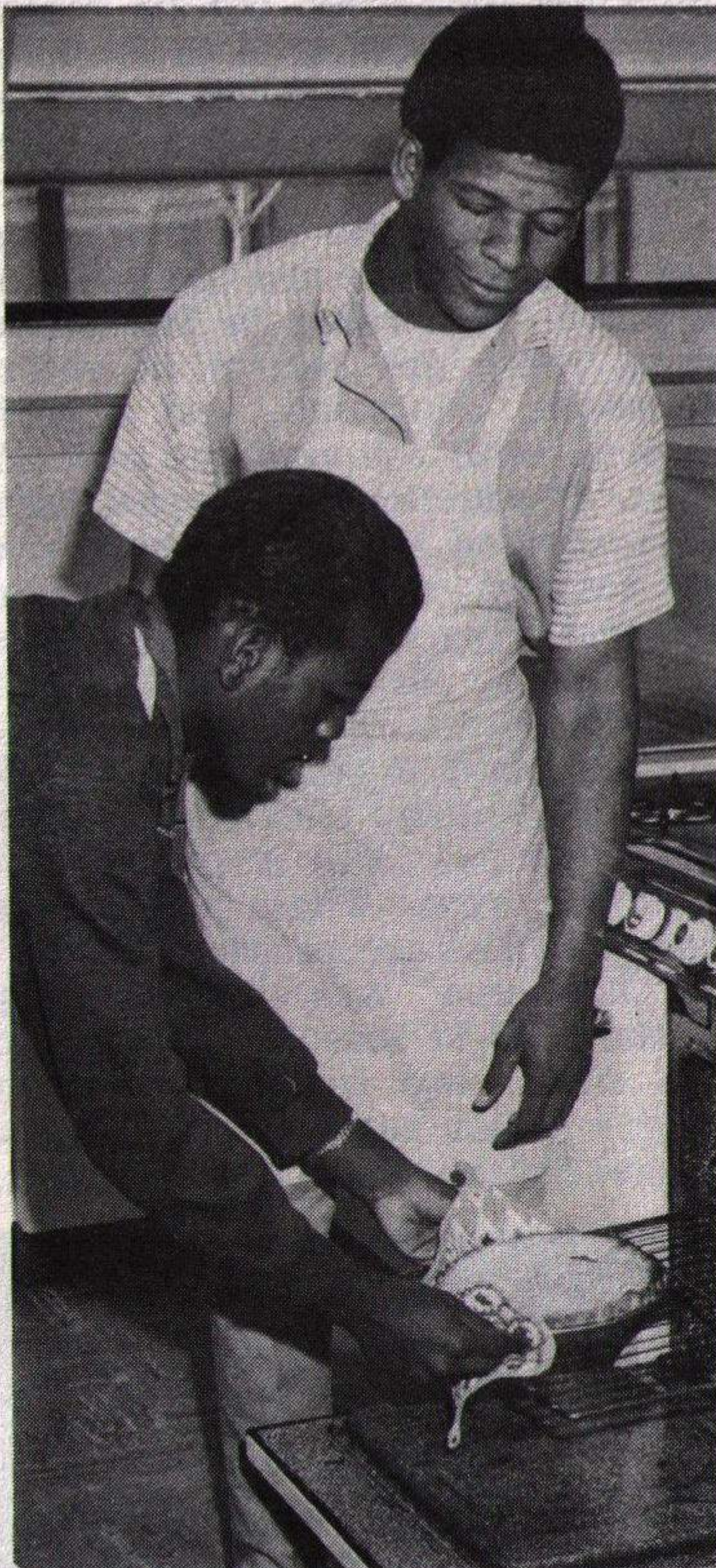
Students are more closely guarded through the use of the school dress code, designed by a committee of students, teachers, and parents. This code is but a broad general outline, however, and the student has much leeway in the selection of his apparel. Thus one finds a variety of looks on the campus.

The very newest of trends seems to be directed toward the legs. Brightly-colored leotards, fishnets, crochet-look, and windowpane

What's Cooking in Home Ec?

By HERB JUNG

There are many practical courses offered students in South's varied curriculum, but the most appetizing are the classes in culinary arts.



James Watson, bending over, and Billy McDaniels look forward to eating the pie they baked in Mrs. Nancy Carlson's Boys' Cheffing class.

Conducted by Mrs. Helen Jones and Mrs. Nancy Carlson, cooking classes provide soon-to-be homemakers with new ways of preparing deceptively-appealing leftover leftovers, and furnish future chefs with skills necessary to their profession.

According to Mrs. Jones, when the girls are not burning their preparations (though this in itself is a learning experience), they produce a vast array of foodstuffs, including coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, fancy yeast breads, cheese fonau, custards, nonascript salads, casseroles, vegetable and meat dishes, a wide array of desserts, and even sukiyaki and chili.

When they're not bent over hot stoves or busy concocting devilish ambrosia, the girls learn meal planning, budgeting, home management, behavior of various foods according to cooking principles, and study child development from the pre-natal period through five years.

In order to become more understanding of children and their physical, social, and emotional development, the girls will operate a simulated nursery from April 29 until May 24.

Mrs. Carlson, advisor to the boys' cheffing class, commented that males are good cooks because they want to stomach what they make. They are more serious about cooking than the girls — probably because they want to eat palatable food rather than mistakes and flops (though they eat their fair share of those, too). Presently the boys are cooking pastries—and gaining weight.

Are the boys ever embarrassed by taking a traditionally all-female course? Only when they forget to take off their aprons before traversing the halls to get to their next class.

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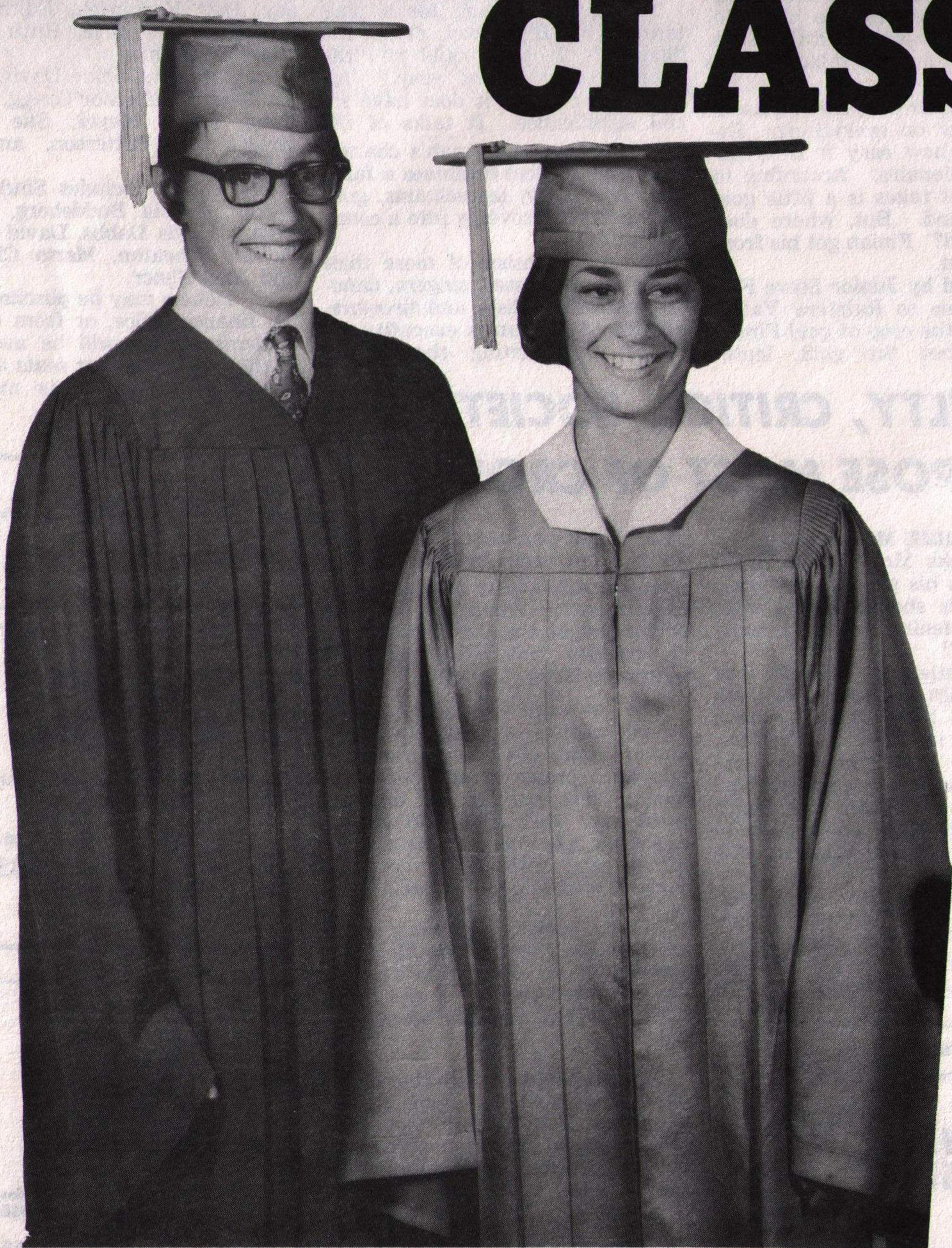
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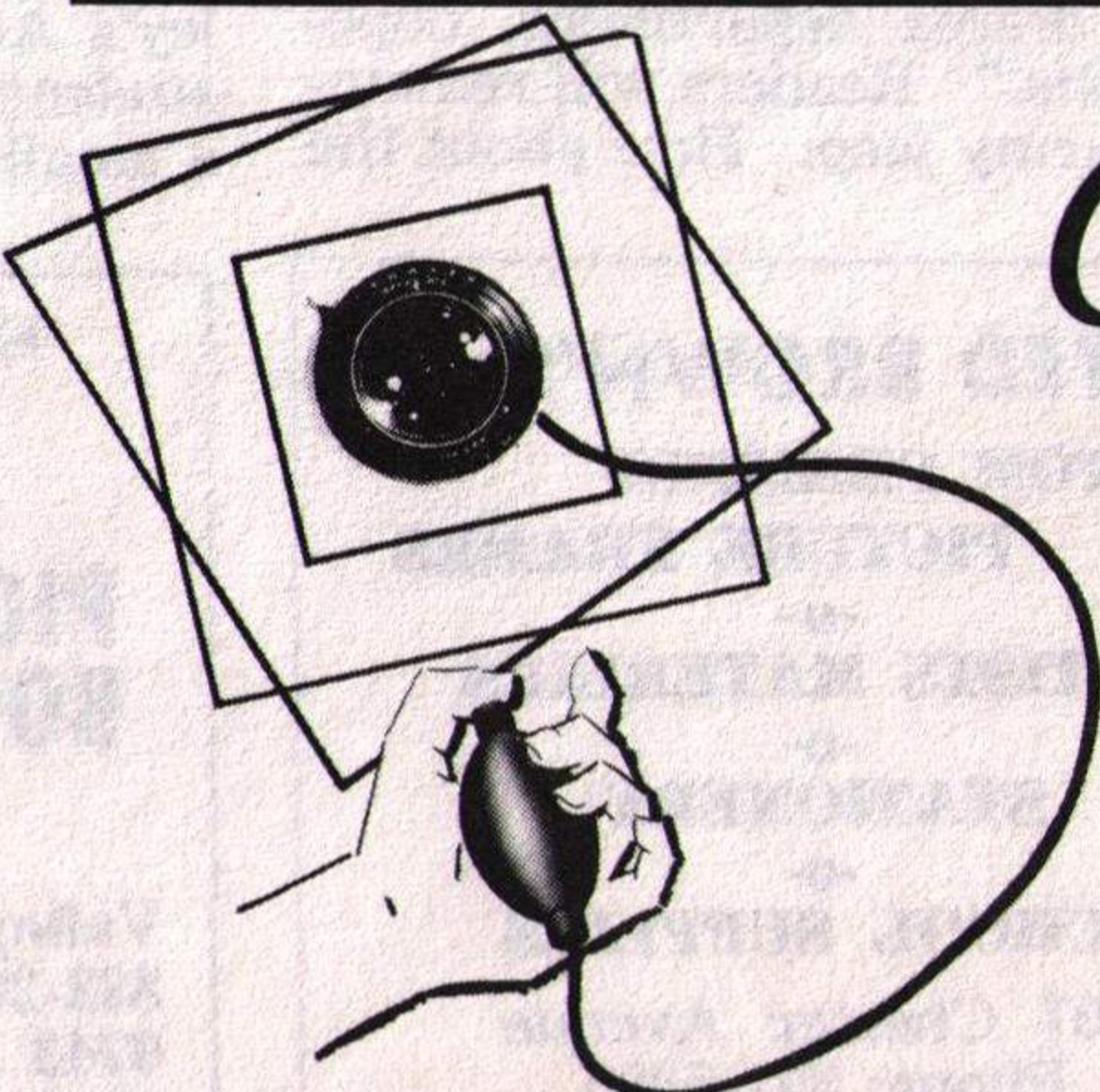
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Successful Shows Kindle Memories

BY PATT VENGARICK
Drama in the South High Lecture Center is now in its third season. The memories are many: comedies, dramatic works, and musicals bring thoughts of fine actors, musicians, staging and success.
On January 6, 1966, the "Steinman Era," the period during which Mr. Ronald Steinman directed plays, was launched. Juniors and seniors will remember the comedy "Charley's Aunt" as the first play on the new lecture center stage. Chris Heinrichs and Steve Kurtz, seen below, along with Rick Davis,



played the leads. Comedy, song, and smiles filled the stage while capacity crowds filled the house. "Charley" was the first success, setting the fine reputation for following plays to uphold.
"Paint Your Wagon" drew the largest crowd of the year and one of the largest audiences ever. With Rick Davis and Karen Nelson in the leads, the play sang its way to success and implanted fond memories for the standing-room-only crowds.
During the summer of 1966 the drama workshops produced the play "45 Minutes from Broadway." On a wave of success, the new school year began and "The Man Who Came to Dinner" became the next show.

In the picture below, Sheridan

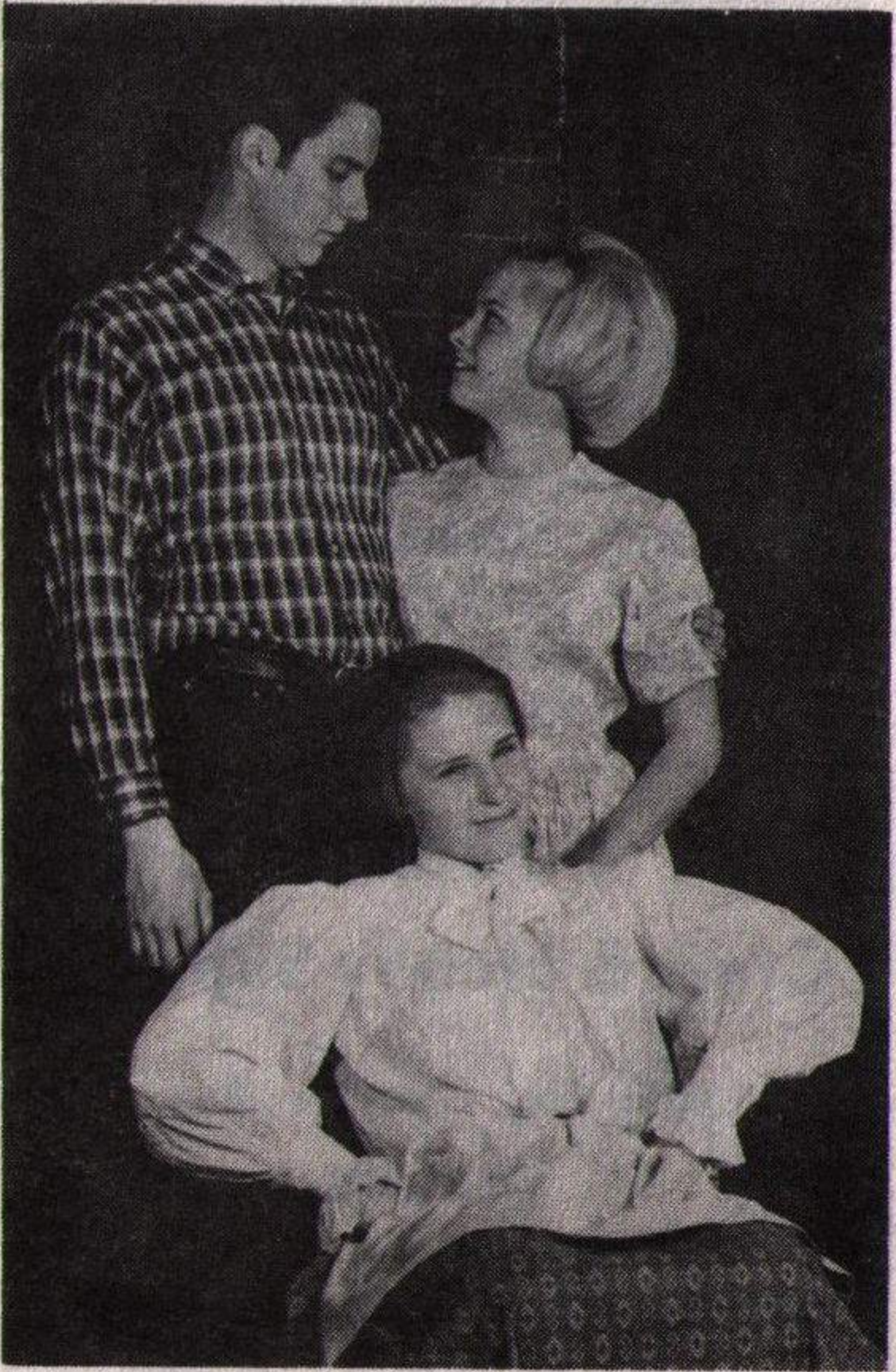


Whiteside, alias Mike Bensusen, makes himself at home as the man who came to dinner. An extremely funny show, it became the talk of the campus.
"The Miracle Worker" was an unforgettable show, according to Mr. Steinman. The cast is seen at supper below. Two fine actresses



became memories to all the house, which, by the way, was a sell-out all three nights.
Loralee Borga and Georgia Watkins took curtain calls with standing ovations. These actresses shared both the best actress award at the drama festival and the South High best actress award.

"Worker" was unforgettable not only for its acting, but its meaning. It communicated to its audience many themes that ranged from hope for humanity to respect and joy.
This brings up an interesting point. Just what are the goals of a play? According to Mr. Steinman, there are factors of entertainment, education, and experience to both the audience and actors. Productions in the past have been divided into three categories of comedy, dramatic work, and musical. There have been thoughts of dividing dramatic work into serious drama and classical work.
Four plays a year would shock most high school teachers, but Ron Steinman has faith in present actors and crew. These possibilities and potential are present.
"Oklahoma" was the final play of the 1966-67 season. It was also the final play for many South High's senior actors. Rick Davis, Karen Nelson, and Lorelee Borga,



seen above, played the leads. Many will remember the silhouette of a cowboy who suddenly burst into "Oh What a Beautiful Morning." Another sell-out show, "Oklahoma" provided many happy memories.
During the summer workshop, "Cinderella" was created. "Created" may be taken literally, as it was an R. M. Steinman version of the play. The show was another feather in the cap for the drama department. The characters of "Nipian" and "Dipian" who are



seen in the picture, Mike Bensusen and Phil Casanta, were only a part of the comic talent on stage. Georgia Watkins, Lorelee Borga, and Jan Kirsch were the ugly step-sisters and mother.
School came and again came comedy. "Teahouse of the August Moon" played many laughs. The two leads, Captain Fisby and Sakini, portrayed by Sam Stover and



Phil Casanta, are shown above. This play had many "firsts" and for the drama department, hopefully "lasts." Readers will remember the army jeep. How about the goat?

"The Diary of Anne Frank" was a very successful show and again, a show with meaning. The theme may be felt in Anne's words "I still believe in spite of everything that people are really good at heart."



In the picture are Marsha "Anne" Bumbalough and Pat "Mrs. Frank" Vengarick. Saturday night's Anne was portrayed by Jan Kirsch. An extremely talented sophomore, Jan has had important roles in all three plays this year.
All in all, the "Steinman Era" has been fruitful and from sneak previews of "Finian's," will continue to live in the memories of many.

Look to Rainbow Tonight For Leprechaun and Gold

As the curtain rises tonight for the first performance of the Harburg-Lane production, "Finian's Rainbow," an angry mob of sharecroppers will greet the audience.

Actually, their anger is directed towards the villains of the play, whom they have intentions of lynching. Warnings burst into song and end in cries of "Woody's here!"

Who is Woody? Portrayed by sophomore Mike Davis, Woody is the singing, guitar-carrying, union organizer of the musical. The hero organizes, proposes, leads revivals, and gets married, all in two hours.

Every hero has a heroine, in this case, the lovely Irish girl, Sharon. Elizabeth Bailey, a junior, plays the female romantic lead. Sharon, who has just recently come to America, finds life in Rainbow Valley, Mississippi, a little hard to adjust to. She can't understand her father, Finian, who tries to explain life in America to her. So, she contents herself with politics, washing clothes, and falling in love with Woody.

Finian, senior Sam Stover, has a definite view on everything. Especially on how easy it is to become a millionaire. According to theory, all it takes is a little gold in the ground. But, where does one find gold? Finian got his from a leprechaun.

Og, played by Junior Steve Fidler, has come to Rainbow Valley to get back the crop of gold Finian took. Without the gold, lepre-



Everyone looks for a bucket of gold at the end of his rainbow, and cast members of "Finian's Rainbow" are no different. Elizabeth Bailey, playing the lead role of Sharon, helps leprechaun Og (Stephen Fidler) pull the mythical pot of gold from the well in tonight's premier of the three-act musical.

chauns no longer can grant wishes. Not only is Og becoming mortal, but Ireland is going to ruins!



This is the setting for a play termed by Broadway critics as "happy." It well could be "the happiest play of the year." Although a comedy it does have social significance. It talks of the racial situation and man's character. The musical combines a fairy tale, love story, leprechauns, gold and racial controversy into a comical satire.

The play consists of more than 75 actors, actresses, singers, dancers, instrumentalists, and directors. Mr. Ron Steinman is executive director, coordinating the acting,

singing, dancing, and staging. Mr. George A. Carson is musical director working with music of the chorus, principals, and the pit orchestra. The artistic and stage coordination is directed by Mr. Robert Hodson.

With so many people in the cast, every customer can almost be guaranteed they will know a member of the cast. And, if you've never seen your cousin or fellow classmate dancing and singing with a leprechaun, now's the chance.

Others in the play having important roles are Georgia Bookout, Tom Bailey, David Reaney, Steve Lehner, Jan Kirsch, Birchard Denney, Lorri Peterson, Tom Neece, and Bruce Haar.

Others in the play include Kathy Balch, Sheryl Shaw, Jean Henslee, Kris Bower, Barbara Leonard, Randy Overstreet, Bob Calton, John Serrano, Lyn Albert, Vickie Brown, Linda Murray, Daniel Reaney, Patt Vengarick, Edith Darden, Rosemary Miles, Ruth Jones, and Doris James.

Dancers are Jackie Davis, Tempie Dexvers, Eleanor Gragg, Helen Lang, Paula Meyer, Sue Overstreet, Jeri Patterson, and Jill Schneider.

The chorus includes Sindy Angeroth, Carola Buddeberg, Susan Stuart, Linda Dabbs, David Clyde, Robert Wheaton, Mario Chiuppi, and Alan Shorr.

Tickets may be purchased at the finance office, or from drama students. They will be available at the box office, but seats are reserved, and good seats may be taken.

FACULTY, CRITICS, SOCIETY COMPOSE MOST OF CROWD

By DEBBIE MATHENEY
If one asks Mr. Ron Steinman who attends his plays, he is likely to shrug his shoulders and offer these enlightening words, "I really don't know."

But investigation reveals that faculty, critics, and socialities seem to compose the audiences which view Steinman productions. Though the productions are promoted on campus by previews and ticket sales, it appears that South High students are not culturally inclined, for student attendance is small.

The idea of previews, first instigated three years ago with "Charley's Aunt," seem to attract some students, for they are able to view a small portion of the play, but in

spite of all persuasion, more students from other schools can be found in attendance at the actual performance. When the dates of performances are announced, ticket requests come from all high schools in Kern County.

The average Thursday night crowd consists of critics, parents, and assistants out to view the show and offer praise or adverse judgments. The parents are anxious to observe their acting off-spring, assistants are there to view their efforts, and critics are present to make a review, good or bad.

For the socially in, Friday is the evening to attend a South High production. It seems that Fridays are the most popular of the three nights offered and are often sell-outs.

Saturday-nighters are those who wish to see the play again or, for one reason or another, were unable to attend any other night. Repeaters are not as uncommon as they sound.

Of all the plays offered since "Charley's Aunt," "Miracle Worker," "Oklahoma," and "Paint Your Wagon" have attracted the largest crowds. At each of these, over two thousand people attended.

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A Sign of Spring -- Bloomin' Blossoms

By SHIRLEY ZENTMIRE

For the non-studious, nature-loving, non-active students or miscellaneous flower children; South High's flora present a veritable greenhouse of horticulture. The neat, orderly gardens are now bursting forth with a variety of beautiful blossoms.

The most eye-catching burst of color earlier this month came from the azaleas beside the office. Their shades of pink, red, white, magenta, and orange tempt passerbys to pick the flowers. However, there is a rule against picking campus plants. No one seems to know what the punishment is for breaking this rule. Also by the office is a pretty, lonely camelia bush.

In the flowerbed by the flagpole are purple-spiked plants called ajugas, and honey-suckle vines.



Frosh Lyn Starkey is shown observing a spring pastime, the contemplation of flowers.

Nearby, in the planter in front of the library, are several rose bushes. One of the bushes produces brilliant red and yellow spotted roses. The best roses, and also the most fragrant, are the yellow ones found near the language classes. Other delights of the plant world are the wild roses and dandelions which may be found all over the campus. Between the halls are bushes with miniature pink flowers.

Only the roses had a fragrance. However, it has been rumored that the soon-to-bloom honeysuckles possess the greatest fragrance. The other flowers also have distinctive qualities; the ajugas cause the skin to itch.

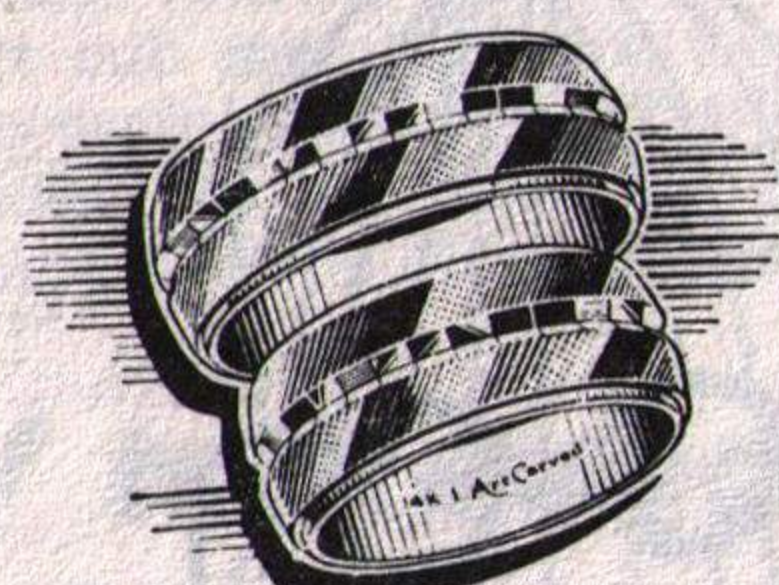
If one needs something to do, sniffing and enjoying the flowers offer a cheap, if not too enjoyable occupation. Unless, of course, one is allergic to flowers.



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CLASS OF 1969 PREPARING JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

The junior class is presently working on plans for the upcoming junior-senior prom. This year's theme, "Spring Cotillion," is centered around the idea of a Southern ball. Already the class council has formulated plans for a romantic setting, including a rock waterfall, white pillars, and an abundance of pastel flowers.

Past themes of SH formals have included this year's Christmas formal theme, "Fantasy in Frost"; the theme of last year's prom, "Un Soiree a Paris"; and the previous Christmas formal's central idea, "Santa's Showboat."

Profits from the class enterprises of freshman, sophomore, and junior years are used to finance the final and spectacular event of dancing.

This year's prom is to be held on Saturday, May 11, from 8 to 11 in the evening. A total of 225 pink and green bids are now on sale for three dollars. Inside the bids, the feature dances are listed with spaces provided for the girl's partners. The dances to be played this year by Bill Burton Band will include such hits as "Love Is Blue," "Green Tambourine," and "Mi-

chelle."

Usually, after the dancing is over, couples depart to the restaurants of their choice for dinner.

As each formal approaches, the girls' and boys' expense accounts sharply decreases. Girls are accustomed to buying and wearing expensive formal dresses, wraps, and other accessories. Boys must raise the money to pay for a tuxedo, corsage, bid fees, and dinner checks. The total of a girl's expenses usually averages about \$50, while the boy's may add up to as much as \$50 or \$60.

Girls, often sentimental, always like to have a reminder of the fantastic evening. For this purpose, the tables are always decorated in something highly removable, such as large wine bottles filled with candles, or small candles decorated with angel hair and other ornaments.

Once the evening is in the past, boys usually say, "How could I have spent that much money on one night?" The girls, though, are always in agreement: "Such an unforgettable occasion is always worth it."

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Unknown Souls Run Elections

Behind every great project there must be many silent planners. There are always those poor unknown souls who work faithfully and never receive recognition. Such is the case with South High's election commission.

Working with Shelley Shell, commissioner of organizations, the group organizes registration and voting procedures.

The stalwart students who make up this group prepare ballots and oversee student voting. They are also the lucky ones who count the votes.

Members of the commission are chairman Rick Wilkinson, Macci Schmidt, David Hill, Tom McCall, David Foreman, and Peter Algra.

Medical Clubbers Tour City of Hope

Members of the South High medical club recently bused to Duarte, California, for a tour of the City of Hope facilities.

The tour of the hospital, conducted by Dr. Ralph Byron, head surgeon of the research hospital, was arranged through the efforts of former South High biology teacher and medical club advisor Mr. Dennis Ashlock, who came down from Concord, California, to join in the visitation.

Commented club president Daniel Beene, "The tour was very interesting and informative."

After the Convention

For after-convention relaxation, see the Bakersfield College Choir with the Kern Philharmonic Orchestra next Monday evening at 8 p.m. at Harvey Auditorium. Student tickets will be priced as low as 50 cents.

Shakespeare Anyone; Willy Be a Success?

Shakespeare anyone? South High play-goers may find something new in the drama repertoire next year. Among the possibilities now being considered, there are two famous plays of Shakespeare, "A Midsummer's Night Dream," and "Romeo and Juliet."

Why Shakespeare?

According to Mr. Ron Steinman, director, the two plays have much to offer. They are not only educational, but are entertaining. Another interesting point is that there are no royalties involved, a definite money saver when it is considered that over \$500 apiece has been spent on previous productions.

This spring, the student body will have a chance to vote on the plays they would like to see next year. The list includes three comedies: "Arsenic and Old Lace," "You Can't Take It With You," and "A Midsummer's Night Dream." The dramatic candidates are "Our Town," "The Glass Menagerie," and "Romeo and Juliet." "Bye Bye Birdie," "The Fantastics," and "Camelot" are the three musicals. As Shakespeare once said, "And it must follow, as the night the day," that whatever the final choice, the high caliber of the South High play shall continue.

Seniors Measured

A sign that graduation is fast approaching was the recent measuring of seniors for the traditional caps and gowns.

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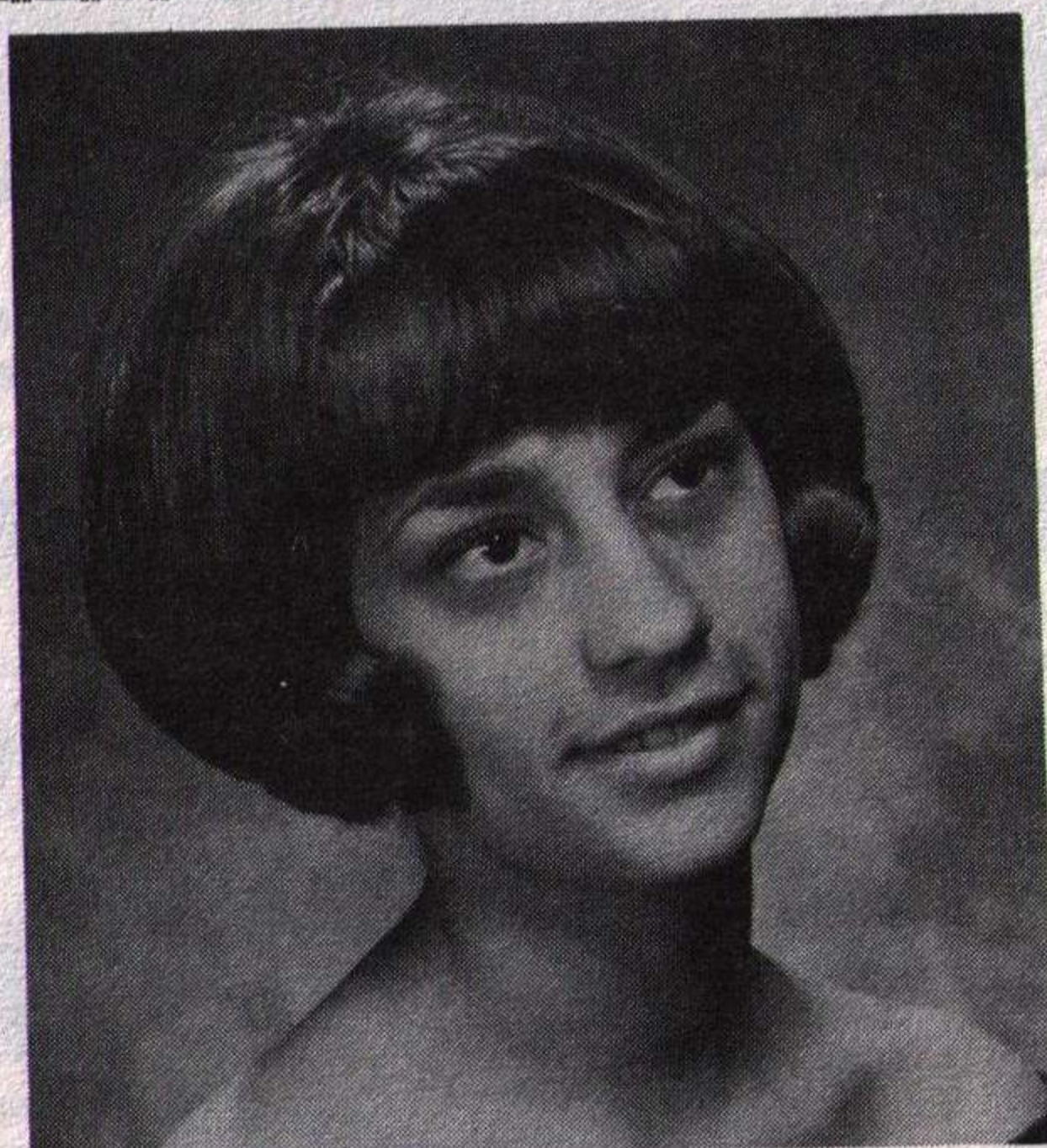
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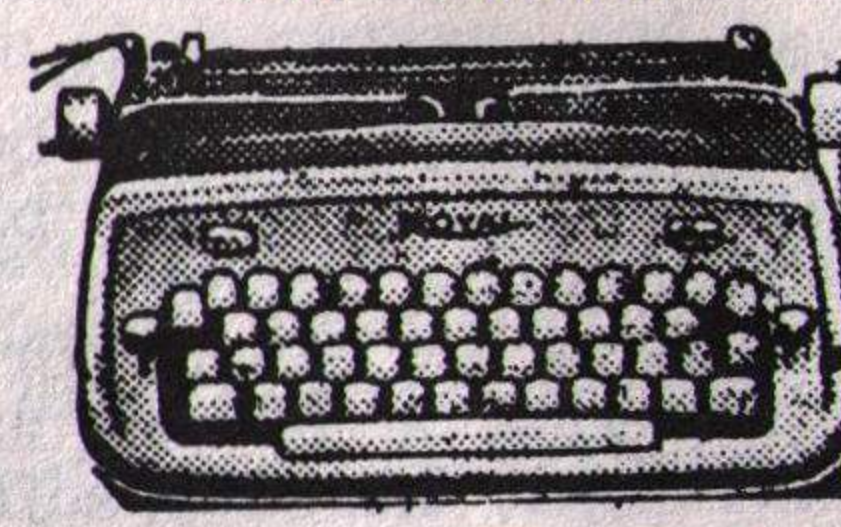
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Yvette Brown and Jeff Burns won chocolate bunnies for being the most appropriately dressed individuals at the annual Sadie Hawkins Day dance sponsored recently by the Girls' League. In the bottom picture, Ken Blado as Marryin' Sam performs the rights for Lisa Brown and Mark Hall. (Photos by Maryann Virrey)

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Varsity Baseball Nine Upsets Foothill Trojans

An upset baseball win over Foothill and an outstanding effort by the varsity track squad against BHS spotlighted spring sports activities on the South High scene.

The varsity horsehiders spanked Foothill 15-8 in a game marked by 13 errors (seven by the Rebs), while the tracksters fell to BHS 77-59. The track meet, though, was marked by top-flight times by speedy Ken Jones who equaled the best time in the state this year with a mark of 9.6 in the 100 yard dash, and a 21.7 time in the 220.

Jones' two marks equaled the best time in the two dashes ever run by a Kern County high school athlete.

In other baseball news, Jim Smith struck out 11 batters in leading the junior varsity 6-4 over the Foothill JV's. Coach Don Ward's frosh lost 5-4 to the Trobables.

Smith's heroics, however, were not as good as those of South JV pitcher Frank Torres, who struck out 16 East High Razorblades the weekend before.

Getting back to varsity action, Mark Hance was the hero. He batted in six runs with a pair of homers. Jerry Mason and Barry Phillips carried big bats—they had three singles and two RBIs, respectively.

In tennis, the boys lost to East 3-2 while the girls were being swatted by the same school, 4-1. Mike Beckerdite won his singles match while Paul Graves and Rick Wilkerson won their doubles match. The Sally Hogan-Marie Hernandez doubles team was victorious for the girls.

In swimming, all three contingents were dunked. Standouts, however, for the B's were Craig Cribbs and David Duncan; for the girls, Alberta Dreger and Patty Souers; and for the C's, David Freselli and David Gallardo.



Freshman Debbie Smith may look as if she is praying not to get hit on the jaw by frosh infielder Kevin McClellan, but she is really supposed to be admiring his batting stance. See the accompanying story for more information on frosh and JV team members. (Photo by Walter Beck)

Frosh, JV's Have Good Days and Bad

Broken arms, broken fingers, and giving up players to the varsity team are troubles that plague the Rebel freshmen baseball team. Yet the team is doing outstandingly well, according to Coach Don Ward.

The junior varsity team hasn't been bugged by injuries or raids from Coach Jack Towery of the varsity, but they've had their ups and downs.

The frosh baseballers have proven to be very versatile because of their cooperation and willingness to sacrifice personal desires, according to Coach Don Ward. With the loss of frosh Byron Tibbs to the varsity, Trino Guerra and Jim Patrick have manned the mound and have done an outstanding job. Coach Ward said.

In other infield positions are Mike Valenti, playing third base, and Harold Oats, second base. Russ Abney is now catching. The injured players are catcher Bruce Algra, suffering a broken arm, and Ron Barger, shortstop, suffering a broken finger.

Prior to the traditionally balmy days of April, the freshmen baseball team has won six of nine games including a 3-1 league standing. The JV team has a 2-2 league record.

Mr. Merv Huston, the coach of the JV team says that his baseballers have their "ups and downs." As the frosh team is hampered by injuries, the JV team has error problems. "When we play errorless, we win every time," states Coach Huston.

Contreras, Smith, Jones Do Well

Outstanding performances by South High track stars in two invitational tournaments highlighted the first two weeks of April.

Most outstanding was star sprinter Kenny Jones, who broke the school record in the 100 yard dash with a time of 9.7 seconds at the Delano Tournament. Jones shared the previous record of 9.8

Smiles and Sadness: Rebs Shut Out West But Lose in Tourney

By PAT OLSON

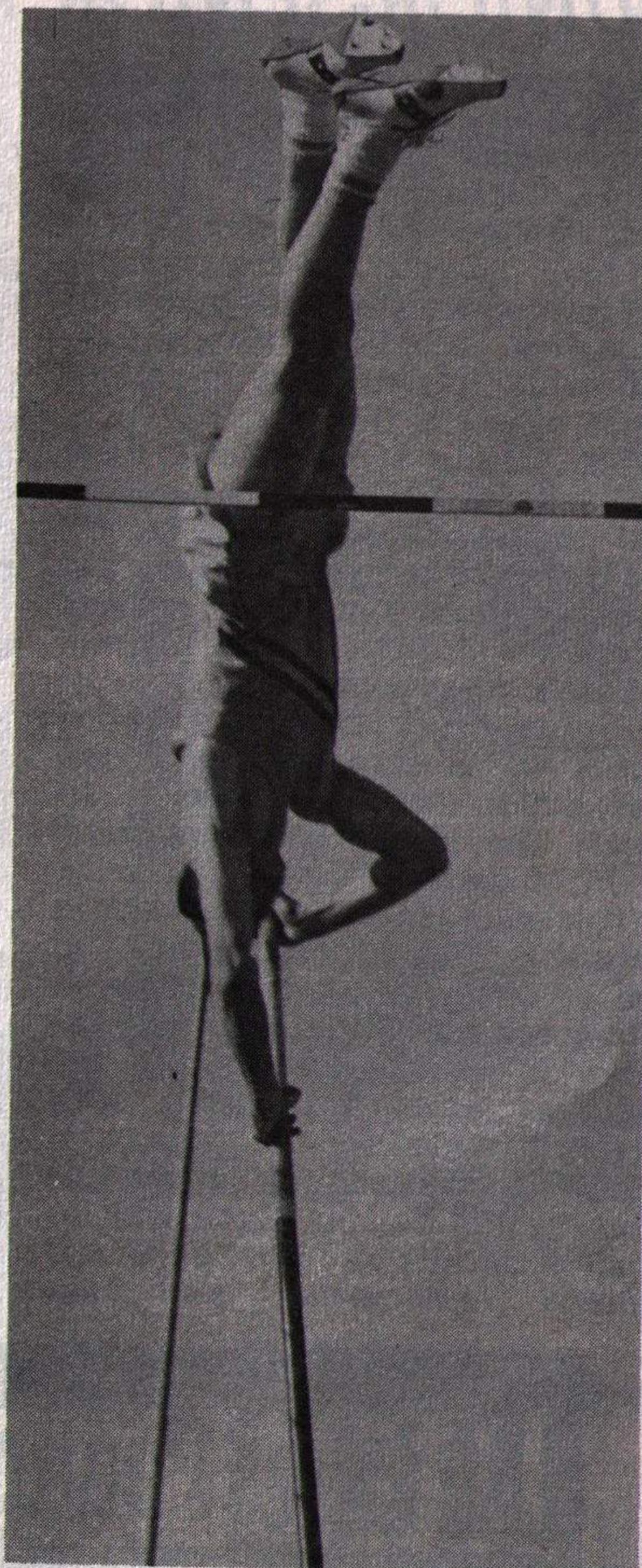
Baseball coach Jack Towery was all smiles earlier this month as the Rebs shut out the West High Vikings 2-0 to capture their first win in league action this season. The victory arrived in a game played on the Viking diamond. Freshman Byron Tibbs pitched a one hitter while South's runs were collected on hits by Tibbs and a walk by Eugene Walker.

The runs came about on a fielder's choice by Tibbs, and a walk (appropriately enough) to Eugene Walker with the bases loaded. Jerry Mason got two singles in the game.

But after the win over West, the situation almost was enough to make a grown boy cry. For example, in the Delano tournament held over Easter vacation the Rebs dropped a pair. In the first of a double header South was defeated 6-5 by the Porterville Panthers. One home run was hit by junior Ken Hall.

The Rebs were also non-victorious in the closing game of the tournament. Singles by Jerry Mason and Ruben Rivera, along with doubles by Brent McClanahan and Barry Phillips, failed to stop the Delano Tigers from defeating them 4-2.

In a game played recently with East High the Rebs once again suffered a loss as the Blades whipped them 11-1. Although Rivera, Walker, Mason, Mark Hance and Craig Thomas all had hits, the only Rebel run was scored in the fourth inning when McClanahan hit a home run.



Tom Parry makes it look easy as he goes feet first over the pole vault.

with graduate Preston George. Fred Contreras came close to taking the steeple chase, but was outrun in the final sprint, giving him a second place medal.

Doug Smith placed in three events, with a second in the intermediate hurdles, a third in the high hurdles, and a fifth place (and a new school record of 44' 19 1/2") in the triple jump. In the field events Tom Parry placed third in the pole vault.

The 440 relay team, consisting of Smith, Jones, Gilbert Lizalde, and anchorman Jack Sconiers, placed third. The distance medley of Billy McDaniels, Bob Evans, Raul Subia, and Kent Stotts placed sixth.

Senior John Cotton placed third in the intermediate hurdles, with

Joe Vega coming in seventh in the steeplechase. Lizalde did his best time of the year on the 100 yard dash with a time of 10 flat. Wallace Williams was the final Rebel to qualify for the individual. He participated in the shotput.

The Bellflower Invitational had even stricter requirements, since it took the best thinclads from all of southern California. Jones placed third in the 100 with a time of 9.8.

In the steeplechase Contreras and Vega both placed, with Contreras missing a medal by one place (he was fifth) and Vega coming in seventh. Both the 440 and the eight-man-mile teams placed third.

In the field events, Smith and Parry were fifth in the triple jump and pole vault, respectively.

BHS Deals Loss

The Rebs' hard luck continued as they were defeated 7-2 by the Bakersfield High nine in a recent game on the Driller diamond. A trio of Rebel pitchers consisting of Craig Thomas, Blake Greene, and Jeff Burns failed to silence their opponents' bats.

Leading Coach Jack Towery's Rebels were Ken Hall with two singles, Eugene Walker with a home run, Mark Hance with a double and Bob Rader with a single.

Bakersfield won the junior varsity game 11-2 while South captured the freshman contest, 7-3.

HIGH GRADES PAY

It has finally been proven that it pays to have high grades. Seniors who achieved a minimum grade point average of 3.6 have been given an award by the Los Angeles Times and the Los Angeles Dodgers. The prize consists of free tickets for two reserved seats at any three of the Dodger home games.

Eligible seniors are Susan Edwards, Herbert Jung, Rick Short, Stephen Smith, Dan Beene, Shirley Zentmire, Dirk Van Pelt, Mike Chinn, Sheree Hale, Suzie Heinrichs, Janet Ward, and Vickie Lukens.

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