

Diana, Jan Welcomed to McCluer

'I was threatened that if I came back with an American accent I'd had it!'

With her own accent very much intact, Diana Bagshaw, McCluer's Australian exchange student, has easily fit into her American life. Living with the O'Dougherty family in Florissant, Diana feels right at home. Shannon, her American "sister", and the rest of her American family, were picked especially to suit her personality and background.

Diana's real family lives on a farm in Cleve, Australia. They have three and a half-thousand acres, a medium-sized farm in Australia, on which her father raises wheat and sheep. The other four members of the family are her "mum", a sixteen-year-old brother who plays first string football at his high school (called a college there), and two older sisters, both married. To keep in communication with her family, Diana has replaced the common letter with the tape recorder; this

way, Diana says her two families can talk to each other first hand.

A graduate of the Methodist Ladies College, a private girls' school near her home, Diana was picked by the American Field Service as the best teenager to represent Australia abroad.

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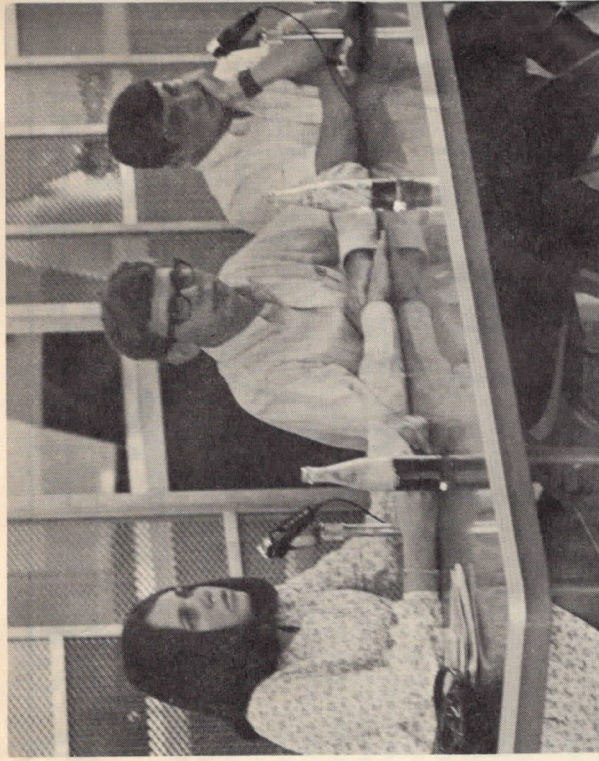
Although he gives the impression of shyness, Jan Vander Haute is one of McCluer's few students not to be lost in the crowds. Jan (pronounced Yon), from Oudenaards, Belgium, is one of our foreign exchange students this year. Even though he has already graduated from his own high school, Jan will attend McCluer as a senior before returning to attend a university in Belgium.

Jan has a large family by American standards; his parents, seven sisters, two brothers, an aunt, as well as a maid share his home. Despite the size, his

family is very close, being together as often as possible to read, watch television, or just talk. His father, a doctor, has little free time, but they try to take a two-week vacation to the seaside every year.

Jan was sent here by the American Field Service. Jan made the trip to Paris by ship and then flew to the United States. Accompanying Jan were students of many nationalities, and when asked how they communicated, Jan smiled. "We spoke English; that is we tried to speak English." Now he is established in his American home with the Ramos family of Florissant. Chick Ramos, a junior, is his American "brother."

Jan's favorite subjects in school are history, languages (he speaks Flemish, English, French and some German), and science. He is especially interested in biology, since he has plans of becoming a doctor after his year here.



Diana Bagshaw, exchange student from Australia; Steve Brammier, chairman of the Foreign Relations committee; and Jan Van der Haute, from Belgium, answer questions at the Exchange Student Reception.

Buildings Show Signs Of Summer Remodeling

Among the many changes at McCluer this year is the relocation of the typing and business classes in the M-1 building. The physical appearance of this building has also changed to meet the requirements placed upon it by the typing classes. Rooms 201 and 200 have been made into one large typing room by the removal of the wall between them, as have rooms 202 and 220. In addition to the business and typing classes, all biology and math classes are now located in the M-1 building.

Changes in the foreign language department have become evident both in curriculum and in room construction--the most striking of these being the construction.

During the summer, three walls were demolished, giving way to two

students on campus. Another improvement in M-5 is the replacing of several permanent walls with folding screens to accommodate the large number of students involved in the team teaching program.

Library Renamed; Now Called IMC

McCluer's new library, or I.M.C. (Instructional Materials Center), now located on the first floor of M-3, has been enlarged to accommodate 10% of the student body at one time, compared to last year's capacity of 3.5%.

According to Mrs. Stella Farley, head librarian, the new I.M.C. provides adequate space to fully utilize audio-visual equipment.

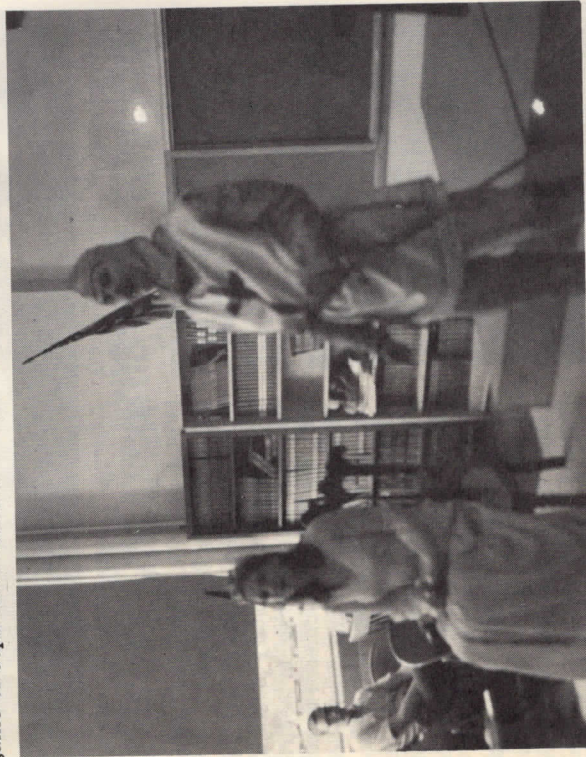
All Around McCluer

The Desperate Hours, a story of horror and suspense, has been chosen as the fall play to be presented November 15, 16, 18, and 20 on the M-1 stage.

The plot is frightening: three escaped convicts invade a suburban home to hide until they can move on, safely -- but not until they have murdered a deputy sheriff.

Tryouts were held during the week of September 25-29 and the cast has been chosen. Bill Mueller will play Dan Hilliard, the husband whose home is invaded; Leah Heincker will be his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Hilliard; Shirley Harlan will play Cindy Hilliard, the sarcastic teen-age daughter whose tongue sparks some of the many tense scenes. Chip Cooper will be Ralphie Hilliard, a small boy caught in a horribly real game of cops and robbers.

The play will begin at 8:00 each evening. Admission is 75¢ in advance or \$1.00 at the door.



Sir Lancelot, (Jim Thomson), vows his allegiance to Queen Guinivere (Ginny O'Neil) in "Idlings of the King," a burlesque presented October 5 to senior students by the Drama II class. The play was also presented to the junior highs on October 9 and 12.

The Marching Comets participated in the Lions International Convention held this summer, July 4-8, in Chicago. They placed 15 out of 62 bands in competition. Approximately 120 bands marched in the parade.

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The population of McCluer is still heading skyward. The sophomores lead the rush with 1,372 students, followed by the juniors with 1,256. The seniors are in the minority with a mere 1,123. There are also 191 teachers, 22 secretaries, and 5 principals.

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McCluer's National Honor Society has begun plans to host the state convention to be held on campus Saturday, March 9. The 45 seniors and 26 juniors have formed eight committees, each dealing with an aspect of the convention: hospitality, scheduling, speakers, etc. Rich Spillenkothen is this year's president. Larry Kurtz is vice-president; Sandy Branahl, secretary; Kathi Gorr, treasurer; and Rich Christman, parliamentarian.

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Student Council Installation Assembly was held Wednesday, September 20. One hundred thirteen advisory representatives were administered an oath of office by Dr. Ludwig. The sixteen-member executive committee took a similar oath of service to the school and its principles.

Chris Huber, president, said that for the twenty per-cent of the student body which becomes involved, the Student Council is truly a "Workshop of Democracy" preparing students for local and national political organizations and their actions.

large rooms to accommodate the. Carpeting was added to these rooms, in efforts to decrease the noise created by the new "Self-instruction" learning. In conjunction with programmed learning, individual tables and chairs were added.

The language lab is still in the process of being improved; besides the overall enlarging many tapes and instructional materials have been added.

McCluer has another new building addition this year. To give the high school total possession of M-5, a new Walnut Grove elementary school was built. Several changes have been made in M-5 throughout the summer in order to make full use of its facilities.

The former gymnasium-cafeteria has been further equipped with a snack bar. This gives the school three complete lunch rooms to serve the rising number of

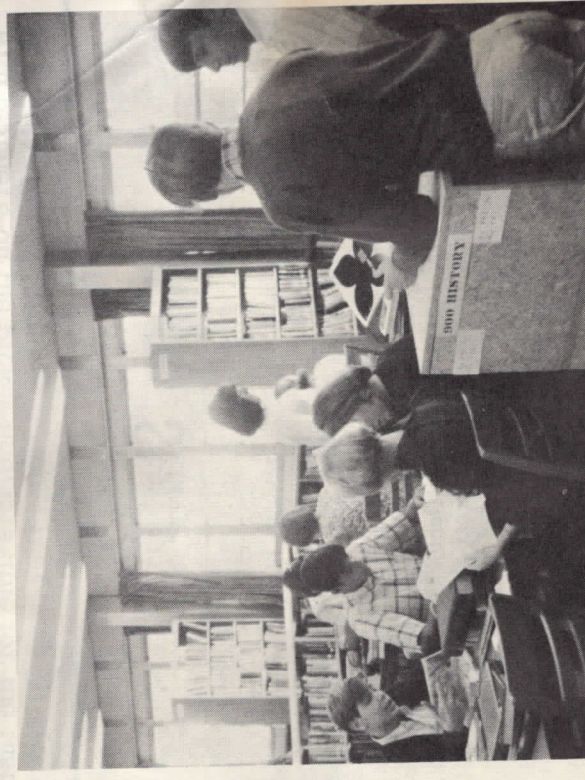
are four carrels or cubicles for individual use of audio-visual aids. Facilities for group study with films, tapes, and microfilms have also been added.

Also available to students are tape recorders, record players and a collection of recorded music, ranging from classical to popular. Use of these may be requested from either the work area or main desk. Reference books are now shelved along with other books according to topic instead of being in a separate section by themselves as they were last year.

Clippings of magazine articles about foreign countries are on file near the checkout desk by the side door.

Another file containing pictures arranged by topic is available upon request from the librarian. A Xerox duplicator will soon be available for copying pictures and microfilmed materials.

The I.M.C. is open from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



The new, spacious I.M.C. provides excellent study conditions plus new audio-visual facilities.

BOOK NOOK

Have you ever thought about why your parents treat you as they do? Is your mom constantly at odds with you, or is your dad always nagging? If you have these problems (and who doesn't), then Love, Sex and the Teenager is the book you should read.

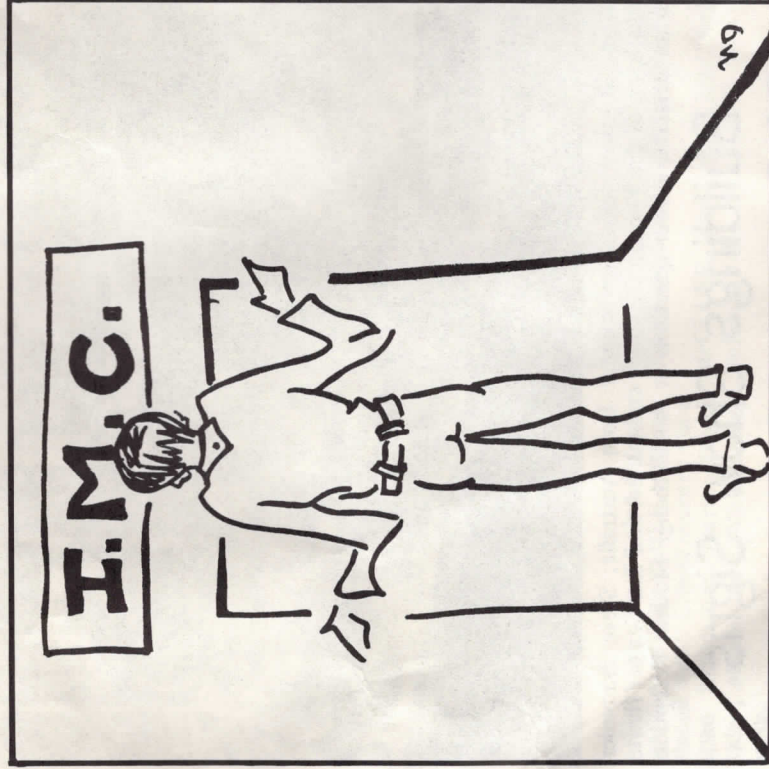
This book was written by a psychotherapist, Dr. Rhoda Lorand. In her book, she discusses the many problems a teenager of today faces. Without moralizing, she gives basic facts and makes several helpful suggestions. For example, what to do when you're offered a drink or how to refuse a challenge for a drag race.

Did you know that how you act now has some relationship to how you were treated during the first five years of your life? If you were given a normal amount of love then, you will have plenty now for others. But if you didn't receive enough love or if you are too closely tied to a parent, you may not be able to love anyone else.

Obviously, parents are a big problem in a teenager's life, and there is a whole section just for parents. It's to be read by them, but you should read it too. It will give your parents some excellent ideas on how to get along with you, the foremost being, "Treat teens as equals."

Love, Sex and the Teenager is definitely the book for you, but after you've finished reading it, give it to your parents. They'll like it too, and probably understand you much better. You'll understand yourself better, too!

Faculty Swelled by 46 New Teachers



"So what's wrong with a good old-fashioned name like 'library'?"

Sorry, We're Closed

A shocked nation watched in disbelief as teachers went on strike this month. Threatened or paralyzed were school districts in New York, Michigan, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Ohio.

Yet, despite the sensation and the numbers of teachers involved, the strikes affected only a tiny percentage of America's 100,000 public schools.

That hopeful fact is, however, overshadowed by a somber truth: the festering conditions that caused the strikes are widespread; the concern of teachers

Girls Visit Scotland, Castles, Cottages

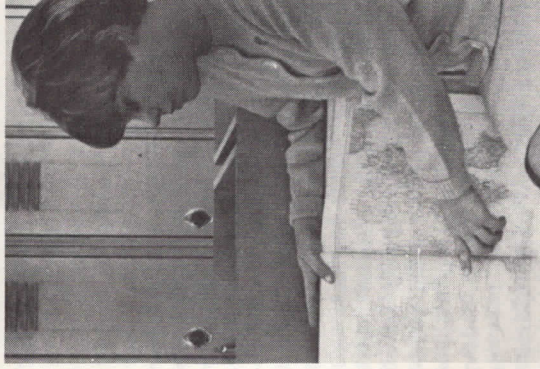
"A country that looks like it has a caretaker to watch over it, castles 'til they ran out of your ears, and winter coats in July." This was Scotland, as described by Barb Logan of McClUER, one of 20 St. Louis area students fortunate enough to see the country, thanks to the AFL. Two other McClUER students, Leah Geiger and Linda Carney, also made the trip. Leah and Linda have graduated, but Barb is still here to tell about it.

She and the rest of the group left New York July 4, spent four weeks in Scotland, one week in England, and then one week in France. They returned August 15.

In Scotland, the AFL group stayed at dormitories at the University of Dundee. Classes were held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every day, and in the afternoon, tours of the countryside were offered. There were two excursions during this four-week period; one to Edinburgh, and one to the Highlands.

After their four weeks stay in Scotland, the AFL'ers moved to an "old haunted castle converted into a dormitory" in Birmingham, England, for two days, then they moved to a university in London for four or five days. The next memorable experience was an eight-hour ride on a ferry across the Channel. The next stop was Paris, and the final stop before the flight home was Le Havre, France.

After her journeys, Barb's plight was that of many in the tour group; she had barely a nickel in her pocket because of all those little specialty wool shops in Scotland. But she had something even more valuable; a whole new set of memories. Some of the special ones she herself treasures; the dormitory's porter and his wife, who often invited the AFL'ers down for tea, and who taught them some Scottish folk songs; the sea sickness pills everyone was sharing on that memorable eight-hour ride across the Channel; and the Scottish family she met and spent a day with the first Sunday there.



Barb Logan points to cities she visited this summer in the British Isles.

Greenquist, Kiehl Head Scoop Staff

Sue Greenquist and John Kiehl, seniors, have been named co-editors of the 1967 SCOOP. Both have been members of the staff for the past two years; John was Editorial Editor last year.

The new Editorial Editor is Vicki Snodgrass, a junior. Sue Gore, senior, who wrote for the news page last year, is in charge of Creative Writing. Sue will also help with layout on the HERE magazine. Other editors are Pat

over these conditions is universal. They struck this month not for money alone.

The educational malaise has many symptoms. Segregation persists; a new state law allows Alabama parents to choose the race of their children's teachers. Ghetto education remains inadequate; New York teachers demanded expansion of the costly More Effective Schools program for ghetto children. Schools are crowded; the 1967 Secretary's Report for our own district predicted an enrollment here of over 2000 above capacity. And teachers' pay is low; one angry teacher wrote, "Why do we pay a beginning teacher less money to start than a truck driver?"

Tragically, a tax-weary people can little afford increased taxes for education. In addition, slums have no property-tax base to support the schools they so urgently need. Though Federal aid -- a larger cut of present taxes for education -- might help, the ultimate cure for education's ills rests on the cooperation and mutual respect of teacher, school board, and public. But the time for learning such lessons is past; now, with teachers on the picket line, it is time for the test. We can't afford to flunk.

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Photographer	Tim Willis
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Waring, junior, Features; and John Bush, senior, Sports. The photographer is Tim Willis. SCOOP also has a new sponsor, Mrs. Diane Brandon, who also teaches English.

Sue Greenquist commented on major changes in the paper. "We're planning to put out a paper every two weeks this year. Our articles will be shorter, and we plan to have more features and pictures. It'll be a big job, but we have a good staff, so we shouldn't have too much trouble."

Study of Car Applied to Humanities

"Man's Infatuation with the Car," the first unit in the newly developed Humanities curriculum was culminated by a model car show in the IMC on September 29. The models, built and painted by the students, were then judged by students and teachers for construction, styling, display area, and written description of the cars. The purpose of the project was to understand the car as a contemporary art form.

Winners in the boys' division were: first place, Butch Millerman and Bob Princivalli; second place, Kathy Carnahan, Neil McNorton, Gary Hostmann, Peg

Lause, and John Williamson; third place, Carlo Imperato, Sue Cox, Randy Graff, Leo Ruskas, and Carol Bly.

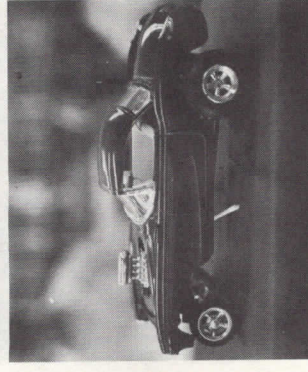
In the girls' division, Vicky Brenning, Kay Calvert, Pat Wuinlist, and Melissa Strobel took first; Betty Lange, Linda Mitchell, Lana Reiners, DeLane Tate, and Barb Troll were second; and Diane George, Karen Glasgow, Cynthia Hardesty, Nancy Roam, and Kathy Ruhmann were third.

Individual class winner was Rich Utley. All are sophomores.

An interwoven study of art, music, English, and history makes up the Humanities course. In the first unit, the car, its influence on our culture, on our art and music, and its impact upon our cities and families is examined. In addition, the history of the car, from Greek chariot to present-day models is also emphasized.

The classes watched the movie "Rebel Without a Cause" and plan to attend a showing of "Grand Prix", a film on car racing at the Cinerama theater.

The four classes are taught by Mrs. Corinne Vander Meulen, Miss Mary Sue Lies, Mr. Tim Sandfort, and Mr. Guy Schuermann.



A model car awaits the decision of the judges in the Humanities car building project.

Nine Seniors Vie For Scholarships

Nine students from McCLUER have been named semi-finalists in National Merit Scholarship competition as a result of high scores on the Merit Test given last February. The results of these tests were not revealed to the public until late in September. Semi-finalists are Linda Dempsey, Vicki Hammond, Russel Husted, DeAnn Iwan, Kurt Larson, Barbara McClure, Dana Netherton, Joan Walker, and John Weeks.

In order for any of the semi-finalists to receive a Merit Scholarship, certain applications and forms must be filled out, reviewed and approved by a scholarship board.

As in past years, the National Merit Tests will be offered at McCLUER this year. The tests scheduled for February 24, are given to all juniors wishing to take them.

Europe. Colleges Beckon Students

Bargains in ski sweaters, snowball fights in Austria, and a minor bus fire in the Swiss Alps were only a few of the highlights of a European tour by nine McCLUER students and their sponsor, Miss Regina Jerzewiak. The group, along with 100 other St. Louis students, left New York on June 14 and returned on July 11. The trip was conducted by the St. Louis Council on World Affairs.

In Germany, the students visited the Heidelberg Castle and the 900-year-old town of Heppenheim. During their stay in Rome, Franco Oliveri was their guide. He hoped to return some of the courtesies shown him while he was an exchange student in Maryland.

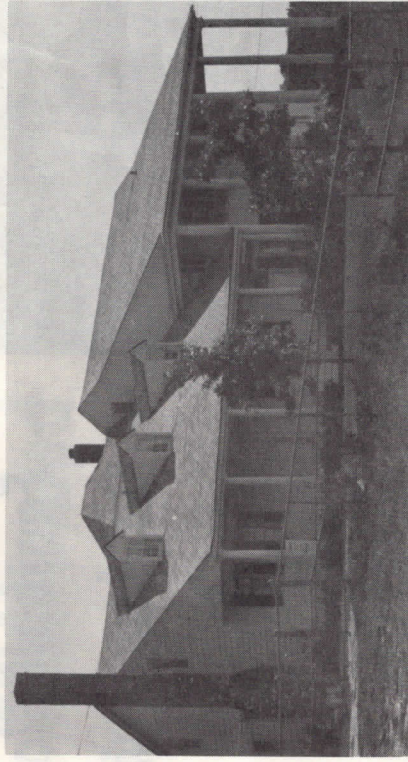
No European tour would be complete without its unplanned excitement, and the tourists had their share in the Maloya-Kulm Alps of Switzerland when their bus suddenly caught on fire. Fortunately there were no injuries or damage to the luggage.

The three busloads of students rode on a ski lift in Liechtenstein, and purchased cuckoo clocks in the Black Forest en route to France.

In Amsterdam, Holland, they stayed at a youth hostel with other traveling students. The fee was \$2.00 for lodging and three meals. The tourists also visited Belgium before flying back to St. Louis.

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Several McCLUER seniors studied at colleges during the past summer. Ken Bechmann attended Western Kentucky University for an eight-week study of physics. At Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, Sue Essock increased her knowledge of relativistic physics



Sophomores, here's your pictorial guide of McCLUER'S campus. The top picture is of Taille de Noyer, located between M-4 and M-5. To the bottom left is the Crest, found in the M-3 lobby. The last picture is up to you to identify.

Cats and Clover

You say you just had to cross the street in order to get away from that black cat? And that's why you slipped on that banana peel? Poor thing -- but what could you expect on Friday the thirteenth?

Actually, Friday the thirteenth has no effect at all on your luck. Just because you flunk a test after breaking your mirror, or just because you open an umbrella in the building and happen to fall down the steps, doesn't mean that it's because of the date. Getting out of bed on the wrong side really

A Spoonful of Magic

Outside, a steady drizzle fell on the mounting line of college and high school students as they waited alongside the Washington University field house. Open enthusiasm . . . there wasn't. Contagious excitement . . . not to be caught. But the same anticipation captivated them all, even as they wondered what the next two hours held. Inside, the Lovin' Spoonful tuned their instruments, joked among themselves and did whatever it is that popular groups do before a performance.

By 9:00 a bedraggled, but expectant audience filled a designated section of the field house. A mod-dressed comedian took the stage and proceeded to toss off-color jokes at the patient audience. By 9:10, the audience had grown less patient. A sole clapper began a slow, but meaningful rhythm. Others followed until the field house rocked with steady, persistent claps.

A KXOK disc jockey attempted order, but the beat persisted. He, too, bowed off-stage in defeat. And then the Lovin' Spoonful took the stage.

No lights flashed psychedelics, no supernatural sounds tried to set a mood, and not a person screamed. Yet, as the group ran on-stage and grabbed up their instruments, the audience seemed to lean forward in order to absorb every bit of communication they sensed was about to be transmitted from performers to audience.

"Do You Believe in Magic?" and a gasp could be heard as if no one had realized before that this was the Spoonful. From finger-snapping "Nashville Cats" to

hand-holding "Didn't Want to Have to Do It," the four performers completely controlled the hypnotized audience.

Then into the silence sounded a single sustained guitar note. A forced drum beat, and finally the whole group combined as "Summer in the City" made its impact. Every member played as if he were alone on the stage, and every ear strained. This was the climax. There was nothing else at that moment that really mattered.

Not until the echo of the song died did the trance break. As the crowd rose for a standing ovation the Spoonful returned for a final "Darling Be Home Soon."

The crowd, which earlier that evening had formed outside the field house, had not known what to expect. The same crowd left in an enlightened trance. The Lovin' Spoonful had proven that "the magic's in the music."

Midgets Welcome; Giants Barred

NOTICE

Only persons of 5' or under admitted to M-5.

What? You haven't seen the sign? Look closely. In fact, stoop a little. It's down low.

The trouble is, M-5 was formerly a grade school. Worse, it still is - at least as far as facilities go. Everything is built for little people. Take the water fountains for example. A person could dehydrate because he couldn't get water. The drinking fountains are so low that a person has to double over to reach even the highest

Tarzan's Mod!!

Advisory. Sept. 6 - He hobbled

Vibrations

Psychedelic atmosphere invaded Mr. William Emrick's American history classes. A poem read with shades drawn and music by the Yardbirds inspired the following poetry. The poems were to be generally related to America and its opportunities for immigrants.

The Flight

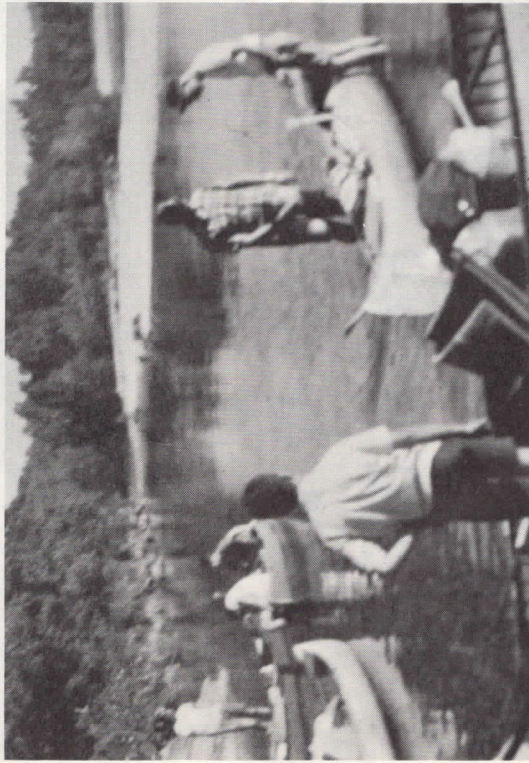
The strong gale plies the sapling double;
Hence it must bend to the gale

and computers. Theoretical mathematics and computers were two main topics covered by John Kiehl at St. Louis University.

In Chicago at Northwestern University, Bill Mueller represented McCLUER for six weeks of drama study. A fellow actor, Jim Thompson, spent four weeks at Illinois State College.

won't hurt you one bit today, and as for being afraid to walk under a ladder -- what if you get covered with paint? Of course, it was just a clumsy painter behind the whole thing!

So grab your rabbit's foot and hang onto your four-leaf clover. You'll make it through the day ... knock on wood!



Science Club Learns How to Float

Boulder Hole, on the Eleven Point River, is dangerous. Between two huge boulders, there is only five feet of space. White water is in abundance. Casualties had been many -- but that was before the Science Club float trips.

The Science Club canoed down the Eleven Point River and down the Black River this summer. On the first trip, six canoes carried eleven students plus the sponsors, Mr. Bruce Stinchcomb and Mr. Robert Watson. Twelve people, including the same sponsors, floated down the Black River on the second trip. Valuable information was gained in the fields of biology, geology, and paleontology. Fossils and water plants were brought back and studied.

Camp was made on gravel bars. Air mattresses and tents provided bedding and shelter. Fortunately, there was no rain on either trip.

The club members became more aware of unusual phenomena on the earth when they went "spe-lunking" or exploring caves. Huge rock formations and odd earth structures were part of the caves' offerings. Some of the expeditions to the caves were cut short because the bats which inhabited the cave began to fly around the explorers.

Though none of the canoes have tipped, once one of the canoes was lost from the group. It wasn't until nightfall that the two groups were reunited.

A third alternative hath this tree were it not immobile; To seek fresh soil in which to put down roots; perhaps in a land less windy.

Rise up now from your bed of death and take heed unto yon suffering tree;

God perhaps made it to die in this place -- Hath he shown evidence that Man must stand idle and view his fate?

Rik Schmidt

Morality

Look in the distance and see How the words of all people run free.

There in the light of the night You see clearly into the darkness of the day,

And you can see the differences in right But can't make out anything the people say.

Each time a person thinks of the world, He can't say what's wrong and right

Because in each different place His morals don't belong. People who speak of death shall live.

People who speak of life shall die. But what say you

Of the Priest who speaks of both Everyman's soul and his own? He is given a choice

Whether to sell or to keep. If he decides to sell,

There is a quick pay-off Followed by a stock-market crash.

But if the soul is kept, Its Christmas fund matures at death

And the interest is paid over a long time.

Neil McCall

into the room wearing "it"--a cast on his broken leg. No! Not just a cast, but a cast unique among this season's "plaster" fashions.

I had to find out who he was because I had to know all about "it"! Another week and many questions later and the puzzle was solved. He, Tarzan, (at least that's who he was imitating when he fell while swinging on a cable in Dune-gant Park and broke his leg) was Paul Strauss. "It" was a result of Yankee ingenuity on the part of his brother, Dan. "It" was a combination of a green, blue, and yellow paisley print, a black and white psychedelic pattern, and a green and yellow op art zipper among other mod spectacles. "It" was cool! . . .

Creative students in our school contribute to SCOOP, as a rule.

If you want to improve the caliber of poetry, contribute! Give your material to any staff member or to Mrs. Brandon.



SILKPRINT by Cheryl Williams

Cindermen Race Toward District

"I think we can win the District Championship if we keep working hard," says Ron Thompson, junior, member of the Cross Country team.

Coming in second at the quadrangular meet held at Ladue East Jr. High, McCLUER was defeated by Kirkwood with a score of 19 to 37. Ritenour was third, and U. City came in fourth. McCLUER's scorers were Ron Thompson, fourth; Bill Burton, fifth; Bruce Paschall, eighth; Joe Waltz, ninth; and Dave Cactwright, eleventh.

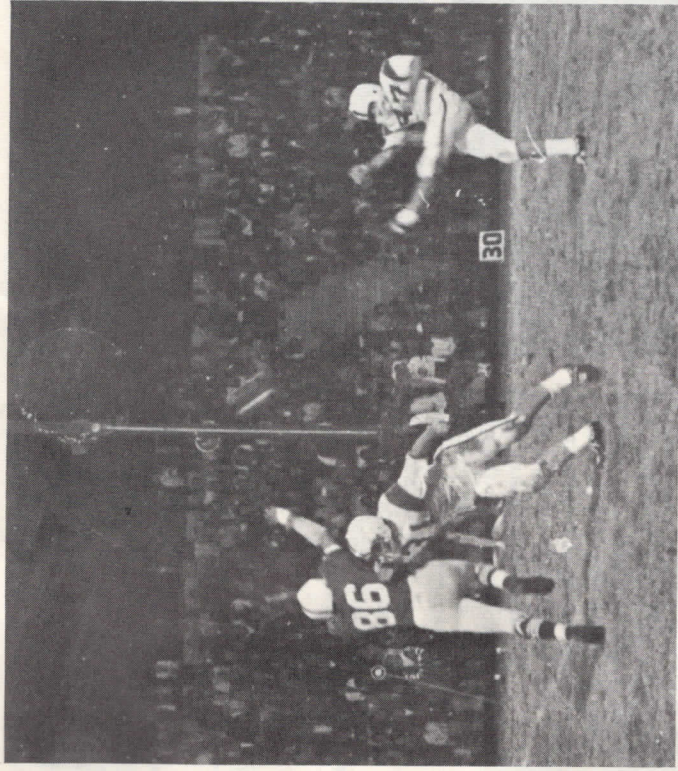
Kirkwood also defeated the Junior Varsity of McCLUER. Ritenour placed third. Comet scorers were Mike Wooldridge, fourth; Dwain Akins, seventh; and Chick Ramos, tenth.

In the first meet of the year, the Cindermen of McCLUER in a great team effort, smashed the strong Hazelwood Hawks by a score of 28 to 29. The Hawks threatened with some very strong runners, but McCLUER came through with the victory.

At the Edwardsville Invitational Cross Country meet, the Comets showed their talent by finishing fourth in a field of 28 teams. At the S.I.U. campus the scoring went like this -- 1st, Alton 90; 2nd, Principia 123; 3rd, Belleville West 141; 4th, McCLUER 160; 5th, Hazelwood 191.

McCLUER'S Ron Thompson scored thirteenth in the meet and was awarded an individual trophy.

In the Sophomore meet, the Cin-



McCLUER punts deep into Berkeley territory to help defeat the Bulldogs 7-0.

Soccer Meeting Draws 120 Boys

One hundred and twenty boys, mostly sophomores and juniors, attended the first soccer organizational meeting on September 19. Before the first practice session November 1, the squad will be cut to 24.

McCLUER will be part of a nine-team suburban league and will play such schools as Normandy, Ladue, Lindbergh, Kirkwood, and Parkway in its schedule of 15 games beginning on December 1. Some of these schools have well-established teams and should provide tough competition. Mr. Mark Flynn, who was an assistant coach at Northwest last year, is head soccer coach. He is hopeful of a good season, but emphasized that

Football Hopes Pinned On Improving Offense

A stronger than average defensive unit, and a constantly improving offensive unit is how Coach Bob Johnson, head of the football Comets, describes this year's team. "Offense is slower to develop than defense because it is more complicated. The boys will have to learn many more plays," explained Johnson. "Each week we'll improve, maybe only slightly, but we will improve."

Although McCLUER was defeated by Hazelwood 18-6 in the October 7 game, offensive improvement was evident in the three school records for passing set by Comet quarterback Steve Miller.

Miller set a record of 18 in attempted passes, 14 in completed passes (breaking his old record of seven), and 152 yards total passing (again breaking his own record of 117 set in 1965.) McCLUER's sole score was on a pass from Miller to Ron Gabbard. The rival teams matched each other in total yardage with 255 yards each.

A one-touchdown victory over Berkeley on September 29 offered McCLUER its first win of the year, with a score of 7-0. A total of 11 downs was produced by the Comet's offense, compared with a first game output of three. The Comet touchdown came in the third period on a three-yard run by Barry Rinderknecht. A sparkling de-

fensive squad prevented Berkeley from getting within McCLUER's 20-yard line at any time during the game.

Poor offense was to blame when the Comets lost their first game of the season to St. Louis University High, 12-0.

With less than four minutes remaining in the game, the Comets got their best chance for a score when a 15-yard pass from quarterback Steve Miller to end Jim Schmuck moved the McCLUER team to the Junior Bills' 25-yard line.

Attempting to pass, Miller was tackled for a ten-yard loss. Again Miller tried to pass but was chased down for a nine-yard loss. Miller's third pass was useless when he was hit again. McCLUER's quarterback finally gained a little relief on the fourth down when the Comets punted.

Throughout the game the Junior Bills' defense was too strong, and the St. Louis team was able to put the Comets in the hole and keep them there.

Rainy weather and a strong Hawk team combined to down McCLUER's Junior Varsity team 13-6 in the Hazelwood game October 6. In their first game, the sophomores battled St. Louis University High to a 0-0 tie.



Sportscast

F O O T B A L L

Varsity

October
13 Normandy 8:00 Home
21 Ritenour 2:00 Away
28 St. Charles 2:00 Home

Jr. Varsity

13 Normandy 4:00 Away
20 Ritenour 4:00 Home
27 St. Charles 4:00 Away

C R O S S C O U N T R Y

Varsity

October
13 Beaumont Inv. . . 4:30 O'Fallon

dermen scored fifth out of 20 teams. Team scoring went as follows; 1st, Alton 80; 2nd, Riverview Gardens 97; 3rd Cahokia 144; 4th Mascoutah 154; 5th, McCLUER 159. Rob Renken scored fourteenth place and also won an individual trophy.

Both the Varsity and the B-team ran away with victories in their meet with the Riverview Rams. The scores were 41-17 (Varsity) and 39-18 (Sophomores). Ron Thompson scored first for the varsity with a time of 10:11. Bruce Paschall came in second (10:18.5), and Bill Burton placed third (10:19.6).

With a time of 10:52.3, Jim Baker won first for the sophomore team. Dave Hensen was only a few seconds behind (10:53) and Rob Renken came up with third place with a time of 10:57.

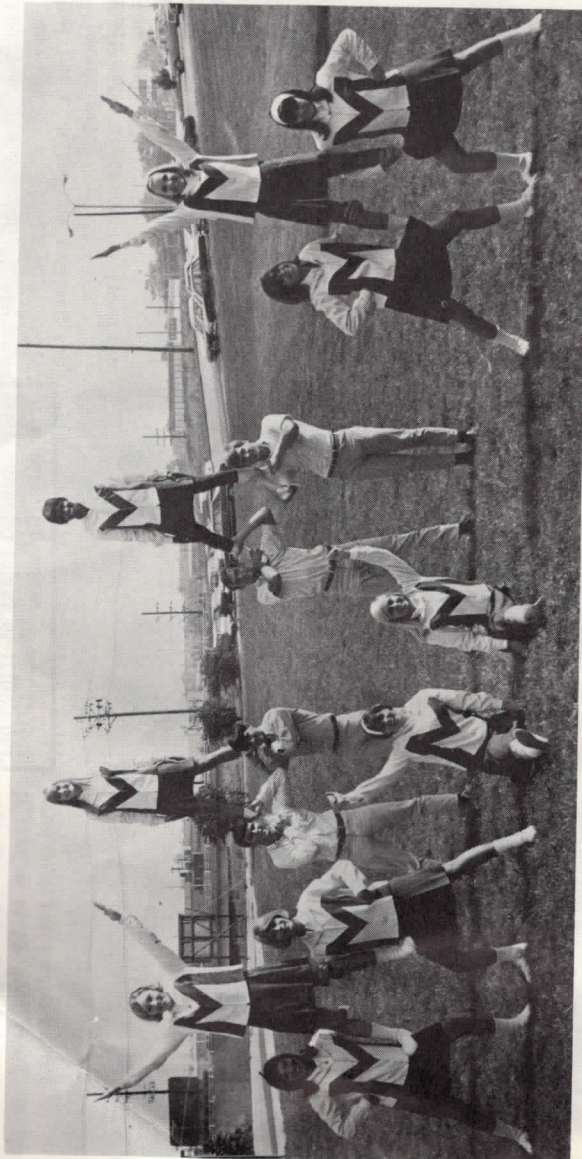
Cheerleaders Win Honors

This year's cheerleaders have already proved themselves to be among the best in Missouri by winning one first place and three second place ribbons in daily competition among 450 other girls while attending a six day camp at Arkansas State University this summer. Besides winning awards, they learned new cheers and got many new ideas for pep club, school spirit, and self-improvement.

"Our goal is to create as much school spirit among ourselves and among McCLUER students as possible."

sible. At times this is a thankless job but we always keep rooting, even when the Comets lose," says Cathy Tschannen, captain. The other cheerleaders are Jennine Barnett (co-captain), Carole Jeffares, Claudia Sarhage, Alicia Trim, Lynn Loehrer, Jackie Jasing, Cheryl Williams, Alice Aldridge, and Sandy Schaefer.

"In the future," says Cathy, "we hope most of the students and faculty at McCLUER will turn out with a lot of school spirit and help us cheer the Comets on to victory."



The Cheerleading Squad for 1967-1968 practice one of their formations. They are (from right to left) Carole Jeffares, Sandy Schaefer, Cathy Tschannen, Jackie Jasing, Lynn Loehrer, Claudia Sarhage, Cheryl Williams, Alice Aldridge, Alicia Trim, Jennine Barnett, John Magee, Mike Hawkins, Doug Strauser, and Doug Strauser.

14 Alton Inv. Alton
20 North Co. Dist. . . Riverview
28 State Columbia



Coach Johnson discusses strategy at the St. Louis University High game.

Just A Little Bit Better - Football Duo

This year, the football Comets boast a pair of varsity players who are outstanding going both ways -- offense and defense. Playing on both the offensive and defensive squads, Tony Gshwender and Rich Deuser, have nearly twice as much work as other players.

Tony is a senior who plays end and tackle on offense and end on defense. He is the team representative, a position which makes him largely responsible for team morale.

Tony says he enjoys going both ways because "you get to play more football" and it is clear that that's why he's out there. He doesn't find it tiring playing on both squads in one game because the coaches, "the best in Missouri," know what they're doing and keep the players in shape. Tony prefers playing defense because he has two years of experience there.

Looking forward to a good season for the Comets, he thinks that our defense is great and our offense will come around very soon.

Rich Deuser is a junior playing defense end and offensive half-back. He feels that going both ways presents difficulties in learning both the offensive and defensive plays, especially those that are new or have been changed. It also has its problems in practice. On the field, though, this arrangement works to his advantage because playing most of the game keeps him from getting stiff. In his opinion, this easily outweighs any tiring effect from playing both offense and defense.

Rich also finds defense the more enjoyable of his two tasks, but compared to this experience on B team last year, he has discovered that they "hit a lot harder" in varsity.