

NATIONAL MERIT LETTER of Commendation Winners join together with National Merit Semi-Finalists to receive congratulations from Mr. Vakev.



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Mrs. Boggan, Mrs. Transou Cited

Vocational Teachers Take Awards

tion Agency for Trade and state chapter. Industrial teachers, held in Austin this summer, Mrs.

Iota Lambda Sigma Fra- to obtain. ternity, also granted Mrs. Boggan an award recogniz-ing her teaching efficiency. Mrs. Boggan joined the ledge. The ing her teaching efficiency, guidance of students in Program, which was begun classes and dedication to the as part of the MacArthur-teaching profession. Mrs. Vocational Depart-Boggan is the first woman to receive this award.

Last year, MacArthur's VICA Chapter was designated as outstanding. Mrs. Boggan sponsored this chap-

During the annual work- Texas to have sponsored an have been named winners in shop of the Texas Educa- outstanding district and a nationwide business con-

Mrs. Boggan's job at Mac-Arthur is teaching Health pany. Elizabeth Alice Boggan, Arthur is teaching Health MacArthur Health Occupations to both boys tions instructor, was named and girls. In the classroom the outstanding vocational sessions the student is teacher of Southwest Texas. taught the technical inform-The Sigma Chapter of the ation about the job he hopes

> ment. Prior to that time, she worke das a Registered Nurse.

Michal Joy Pearson, Sarah Wesson and Mary Jane High School where she classrooms. ter and was the first, first- Storms, 1967 graduates of year teacher in the state of MacArthur High School,

Voters Say Yes

Most students at MacArthur will be most thankful to the voters for approving Proposition III of the new bond issue which provides for air conditioning throughout the school.

Besides cooling things off considerably, the air conditioning addition will provide an environment for the student which will be more conducive to learning in that distracting noises coming from the outside of a building will be considerably reduced and the student will be able to study without being discomforted by the heat.

The bond issue of \$14.9 million which was approved Saturday showed that an overwhelming majority of the taxpayers of the North East School District are in favor of improving and expanding the schools of the district.

Extensive remodeling and construction of the new adidtions will begin on or around December 1 of this year. New classroom additions, a student center, a new library, field house, science facilities and administration and counseling units will be opened in September of the 1968 school year.

A community recreation center will also be built in ance in his eyes, the student re- are informative pieces of work 1969 at the Virgil T. Blossom Athletic Center.

test sponsored by the Victor Business Machines Com-

In the participation, the girls were subjected to examinations which tested their speed of operation of business machines as well as tests which determined their accuracy and over-all know-

The three girls were the Transou, MacArthur vocational and office equipment instructor.

taught for one year. She is currently working toward Wednesday ushers in her masters degree at Trin- "sweatshirt" day. Students ity University in a field are asked to wear sweatwhich deals with the coun- shirts with phrases pertainseling of students.

Oh Yeah

Recreate this scene which occured in the Mac library last week!

A certain freshman science class was assigned to research in the library famous names in the field of science. One student re- ber, over 300 new books were quested help of the teacher on

Thinking that she could send him to a specific section, she acquired just for pleasure readasked, "In what field did your ing in all categories. These insubject do his work?"

The student answered quickly, "I think he created the universe."

replied, "I thought God did bor and This is Antarcticathat."

plied, "Oh yeah!!"

3 Semi-Finalists Told

with National Merit. I was weight." loaded down with forms to tered the room. Then I realized I was a National Merit Semi-Finalist."

"I was tremendously serious. I realized it was a lyn Fry, Gail Green, Marichance to go to the college I wanted to attend. Later I got real excited.'

"I dropped my books." These were the reactions of the seniors Mel Cohen, Martha Newton and Michael Essmyer, who have been named as National Merit Semi - Finalist, September 28, by the Counselor's Of-

Mel Cohen, when not grinding away at his studies. enjoys bowling, playing pool and just having

Watching a good game of football, singing or listening to music and reading a book is Martha's cup of tea.

ing fossils and track are his ty, rather than quantity.'

"I was handed a pass dur- outside interests. When asking class to go to the Coun- ed about his peculiarities, selor's Office. I thought it he reported with a chuckle, might have something to do "I'm 50 pounds under-

Eleven students received fill out the moment I en- Letters of Commendation. With a selective score of 134 or better are, Becky Bartlett, Chris Caran, Richard Carnes, Jean Edens, Darelyn Hall, Richard Oakey, Charles Senske, Everette Travis and David Ylitalo have been commended.

> The semi-finalists made a selective score of 142 or bet-

The achievement of these students on this National Merit Scholarship Test places them in the top 2% of the students that are expected to graduate from United States secondary schools in 1968. It indicates an outstanding ability to do college work, with a high potential for continued academic success in college.

When asked to comment, Michael Essmyer enjoys Miss Augusta Boyle, counhis leisure time too. Collect- selor, said, "We have quali-

Spirit Week Starts

As the publications de- wear his clothes backwards partment's contribution to and, if you already wear Spirit Week Oct. 16-20, the BRAHMA TALES will offer an extra issue to be dis- wear them frontwards, of tributed Thursday October course. 19 at a cost of 5 cents. "Only 700 copies will be available so it will be a real collector's item," commented Liz Rubinstein, editor.

Monday will start the fun, with "sock" day. Everyone is urged to wear wild colorful socks without shoes, if ate the Health Occupations students of Mrs. Lynette the weather permits, to show their participation.

> Tuesday highlights "hat" Mrs. Transou, a graduate day. Flowered hats, paper big game," says Lark Polof the University of Texas, hats, and homemade hats lock. came to MacArthur at the will top off everyone's day. beginning of the 1966-67 Remember, though, hats school year from Burbank must be removed in the

> > Wednesday ushers in ing to the game with Jefferson.

> > > Thursday everyone is to

Attention **Book Worms**

During the month of Septemprocessed and put on the library shelves.

Many new books have been fiction, teenage stories and philosophical books.

Two of many geography books The teacher, quite astounded, are Canada: The Uneasy Neigh- Frosh Get Last Laugh

Worlds Without End and Of in the science category.

them backwards, well then,

Friday is color day when everyone is to wear the traditional blue and white, and girls—wear a blue garter.

Spirit week was designed to promote spirit among the students and "we want everyone to join in the fun and activities of Spirit Week to get ready for the



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Every Friday morning at 8:30, Brahmas congregate to cheer their team on to Photo by Glenn Cunningham

Small Talk

raise money for the Prom. ful academic work.

P.S.A.T. tests were adday, October 10th. The Pre- and the benny chasers are liminary Scholastic Aptitude Tests are designed to familiarize the student with the timed multiple-choice the Brahma Tales staff as test and to give him an idea they entered room 234 for

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the tenative date for the Scholastic Aptitude Tests. plained that it was essential Junior-Senior Prom, which With the results of the that all reporters could inwill be held in the Civic P.S.A.T. a student can make terpret what he had just Center at HemisFair. Jun- more realistic decisions said in order to be an effeciors are selling blue mega- about the colleges where he tive reporter. phones at one dollar each to is most likely to do success-

coming!"

This was the startling statement that confounded a reporting lecture held Saturday, September 30, at the Sams Center on the Trinity University Campus.

Dr. David Burkett was the man responsible for confusing the entire Journalism

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April 12 has been set as of what to expect on the II class. Dr. Burkett ex-

The lecture on reporting was only one of the many "Put on your fast starts! informative classes that ministered to Juniors Tues- The benny busters are gone newspaper staff, the annual staff and the photographers could choose to attend in order to improve their jouralistic skills.

> Students attending the workshop were Liz Rubinstein, Phyllis Swartz, Sally Garrison, Leigh Powell, Brenda Speert, Sallie Wheeler, Allan Wilson, Mark Maxfield and Glenn Cunningham. Zora Speert, Terry Phillips, Judy Thomasson, Susan Maybell, Patti Rullo, Debbie Neitze, John Barber, Sandy Clompton, Glenn Cunningham, Pat Millegan, Kathleen McMaughan and Nancy Ritzinger constituted the Annual Staff.

Pom Poms have arrived!

Bairns will now flash colors of blue and white at football games.

Head Bairn, Doreen Maxfield, is presently teaching new routines to the girls. (Continued on Page 3)

Frosh Have Last Laugh

In a BRAHMA TALES staff poll of the members of the Freshman Class at MacArthur High School, it was found that the Frosh are quite unique in themselves. Although they possess the all-American type qualities, 1967-68 freshman have their own individual idiosyncracies. So here's their story.

The average Frosh male is a handsome lad of 5 feet and 1/5 inches who weighs in at 123.33 pounds. He has brown eyes and brown hair.

The average Frosh female is a dainty creature of 5 feet and 3/5 inches who tips the scales at 112.4 pounds. (This compensates for the average shoe size of 10 1/2 C.) She also sports brown eyes and brown hair.

Widely traveled would describe this year's Frosh. 100% of the class has traveled outside of the sandbox and 94% has traveled outside of the backyard. Of the more sophisticated Frosh, approximately 70% has traveled outside of the U.S.

To a question asking what languages were spoken, 85% replied that they did speak English. 28% male Frosh speak more than one language, as do 60% female Frosh. (Obviously the females do more talking.)

Getting into the swing of things the underclassman male species devote their hard working time to "The Road-Runner." The BT poll showed that the cartoon category came in third place among the favorite T.V. shows enjoyed by freshmen.

Like all teenagers, the Frosh enjoy popular music. Among the top ten on their hit list are "Ring Around a Rosie," "Mary Had a Little Lamb," and "Ding, Dong, the Witch is Dead." They listen to their songs on the most popular station, KTSA (kiddie time, SA).

The Freshman Class is unique. Not only do they enjoy reading and extra-curricular activities, they spend a good deal of time on their studies. According to the poll the most enjoyed subject is Lunch II. They look like they're doing a good job of it.

Yes, the Freshman Class is something, but they're ours. They belong to Mac. Even though 25% of them didn't know what to circle on the poll when asked the difficult question, "Male or Female?" We must remember to help them all we can, since we were Fish once, too.

The staff would like to thank the Freshman Class for being so cooperative. Also we would like to extend our sympathy to the poor soul who circled "or" in "Male or Female."

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Are organizations like the Red Cross and Salvation Army really worth the time and money?

Some people feel they are not, while others feel very strongly that they are worth while. People like the ones who were in the clutches of Hurricane Beulah recently, realize the work the Red Cross and the Salvation Army did. With the help of the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and good citizen volunteers, many people were housed and fed. Members also distributed articles of clothing that people had donated to the evacuees.

Working with the Red Cross and Salvation Army were many high school students. MacArthur's Student Council, sponsored by Mr. Sydney King, and the Beta Club, sponsored by Mrs. Karen Rouse, collected boxes of clothing and the lost and found articles from last year and gave them to the Salvation Army.

If these groups of people had not existed, the hardships would have been more severe. These organizations are needed!

Test Your M. Q.?

The Math Club at MacArthur has considered the possibility of a regular feature in the Brahma Tales: selected puzzles and problems will be presented. The student that turns in the correct answer FIRST to room 308 will receive recognition in the next issue.

HOW DOES THE WEARY INNKEEPER DO IT? Ten weary, footsore travelers, In E the Sixth he tucked away,

All in a woeful plight, Sought shelter at a wayside inn The eighth and ninth in G and One dark and stormy night. "Nine rooms, no more,"

landlord said, "Have I to offer you. To each of eight a single bed,

But the ninth must serve for two." A din arose. The troubled host

For of those tired men no two Would occupy one bed.

He was a clever man-And so to please his guests devised

This most ingenious plan.

were placed, The third was lodged in B, The fourth to C was then as-

signed, The fifth retired to D.

In F the seventh man,

H,

And then to A he ran, Wherein the host, as I have said, psychiatrist?

Had laid two travelers by; Then taking one—the tenth and last-

He lodged him safe in I. Could only scratch his head, Nine single rooms—a room for each-

Were made to serve for ten; The puzzled host was soon at And this it is that puzzles me And many wiser men.

Big Cars; **Wooly Socks**; Diets

by Lu Jeffrey

Girl's skirts are longer, boys trousers are shorter, revealing pale blue, yellow, pink, lilac, even luminous orange thick, wooly socks!

The question I am asked most frequently, except for whether or not I like Texas, is "What do you find different here?" Well, starting with the above, here are a few of my ideas.

"Wrong" Side of the Road

At first, I found the gigantic cars which come zooming along on the "wrong" side of the road with fourteen year olds behind the wheel positively nerve racking. Anyway, no one would drive to school in England, even if you are seventeen and have a Driving License, because schools simply don't provide parking spaces. This leads to the subject of differences in the school system, but that merits a separate article. Just one comment is that probably one can have a whole lot more fun in an American school.

What I Expected

Before coming over, there were certain things that I was told to expect concerning the average American. After adjusting my ideas in order to be well prepared, I was somewhat surprised to find that all Americans don't cut up their food, toss their fork into the right hand and In room marked A two men then eat with the fork only; I also heard you're not all very particular about keeping to your drive at a constant 100 m.p.h., rush round in ever increasing circles all day only stopping to count the exact number of calories of the last meal. You don't all wear Bermudas, Stetsons and Texan boots. And a last thing-Where's the resident school



Run For Your Life!

At this time each year, legions of male Macsters take to the great outdoors where they playfully run in circles on an expansive track with all of the vim and vigor of youth.

Daily the boys are involved in a training program whose three word motto is run, run, run. To successfully complete this program, one must try his best to run a certain number of set distances in a required length of time. After each distance is run, a short rest period is allowed. Running in this fashion is a long and arduous task which leaves many a Macster devoid of any physical strength.

One popular poverb which is widely used by the physical education instructors is "Good hard running will own toothpaste; you don't all never hurt anybody who is physically normal." Whenever this wise saying is voiced, it is frequently accompanied by other popular, but naughty proverbs from the "normals."

When the time comes for the last distance to be run, the students summon their last reserves of strength and await the starting signal. When the signal is given, they begin their last but longest journey. Many try to take their minds from the physical agony by trying to daydream or by counting the people running ahead, but few succeed.

Finally, the end comes into sight, and a student can hear a coach counting the seconds of elapsed time. With arms and legs feeling twice their weight in lead and lungs feeling as if they are on fire, the determined student crosses the finish line, his entire being streaked by rivulets of sweat.

Then, with considerable effort, the student makes his way to the ecstasy of a cool, refreshing shower.

The Fall Season

By Sallie Wheeler and Leigh Powell

"Rapunzel, Rapunzel, let down your golden hair." These immortal words were mumbled by the Enchanted Prince in the fairy tale of Rapunzel. Little did he know that his true love actually wore a fall. Neither did her Fairy godmothers when they cut it off. By wearing a fall, Rapunzel saved all of her beautiful hair from a fate worse than split ends. Or was that the Three Pigs? No, they were the ones who turned into Magic Hoptoads every time they told a lie.

Seen around school are many Rapunzels and few of them are: Mary Beth McNeely, Linda Rollins, Stephanie Bennink and Mrs. Jones. Of course they don't hang their falls out the window—they just wear them to school. But after all there isn't exactly an the use of falls. I suppose you could call over abundance of enchanted princes.

either Dynel or synthetic falls are the most popular with the teenage jet set because

Even if you aren't exactly a Rapunzel dresser will know for sure."

you could still lead a life of mystery, intrigue and romance by just changing your hair. Modern science and the ingenuity of today's fashion designers now enable you to match your hair to your mood. If you are feeling intellectual, you can fix an intelligent looking bun on the back of your head. On the other hand, if you're feeling terribly devastating, you can let your fall cascade dangerously around your should-

However, looking too sexy is not advised as it is a very distracting factor when it comes to a classroom situation. Falls also come in handy for international spies, adding infinite possibilites to their already many fetching disguises.

Many members of popular bands whose moms let them grow out their hair employ them "fall guys" but you don't have to if you don't feel like it.

Don't worry about being embarrassed they wear longer . . . or shorter, whatever when you wear your fall. To quote a famthe case may be.

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SMALL TALK—

were chosen by the student Burk. body as Representatives-at-

Council representatives in ceeded dent body to become ac- porter.

Senior David Bodeman quainted with the candiand Junior Jenny Jaeckle dates," said President Mike

"Receipts from the Soph-"This tradition of wait- omore Class coke sale, the ing to elect the last Student week of September 19th ex September allows the stu-Shellie Bowman, class re-

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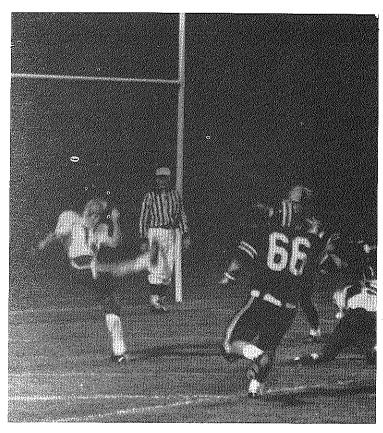
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Several plays after a

MacArthur's Brahmas



JERRY NEUGHBAUER blasts out a long punt from the Brahma end zone in the

Brahmas Start Slowly, Begin Surge Pummel Chargers And Bears Mules Stall Mac... Brahmas Trip Chargers ... Edison Burns Out

Heights galloped over Mac- with twelve seconds remain- sion attempt failed. Arthur on the eve of Sep- ing to play. Rick Oberlies tember 22 at a sure-footed then stopped a Stephens Churchill fumble, Charles 14-8 canter. Alamo Heights pass for 2, rendering the Stadium held the crowd, score 14-8.

Several plays after a Churchill fumble, Charles Mahone again fought through at close quarters. while the Mules contained the Brahmas with 4 inter- bowed to the MacArthur point, boosting the score to cepted passes.

pass. Fitch, the kicker, then 35-12. prodded the Mules on to lead

ord, Jamie M u s s e l - then kicked the extra point. Stadium's field, completed 7 man crashed over for an- Later a forty yard Mac- of every 8 passes. This other 6 pointer late in the Arthur drive yielded a scor- triumph yields a 2-3-0 rec-

The Mules of Alamo ed in a score from 4-yards Churchill, but the conver-

Churchill High School Haines kicked the extra pted passes. Brahmas at North East Sta- 35-6. Jody O'Quinn broke Alamo Heights first scor- dium on September 28. Mac- loose and ran 92-yards for ed late in the second quarter Arthur led 28-0 at the half, one last Churchill charge. as Greg Waters nailed Pat but faded defensively in the The Chargers' kick failed McCaffrey with a 13-yard last two quarters to win, and the count stood, 35-12.

Charles Mahone first blasted the bears of Edison, at the half, 7-0. scored for the Brahams, October 7, 35-0. Quarter-Pouring salt on the wound crashing in from the 2- back Mike Bunger, apparof Mac's previous 0-2 rec- yard line. Mike Stephens ently at home on North East

ing pass to Dan Terwelp. ord to the Brahmas. Brahma Mike Cole squeez- Don Haines' kick was good,

Late in the scond quarter Brahma Mike Cole raced 70yards for a final first half touchdown. Haines booted the point.

Sam Lawless ripped off the uprights. a 70-yeard scoring run for

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Rick Oberlies, first among leaving the score 14-0. the Brahmas to lash out David Ylitalo snagged a at Edison, scored on a pass

Bunger pass to score once from Mike Bunger. Don JV Takes Loss, more. Haines did his duty, Haines then kicked the rendering the tally 21-0. Hoosting the count to

Minutes later, Mike Cole skipped 5 yards to score on an end run. Haines booted the leather oblong through

Late in the first half, Dan Terwelp bundled up a Bunger pass and toted it fifty vards to score.

Cole broke through and scampered 70 yards to count again during the third quarter. Haines won another point for threading the nee-

Oberlies ushered the game and the Bears out as he scored once more on a Bu_ger bomb. Haines again punched it through, topping the total, 35-0.

Bounces Back

Junior Varsity Mac's football team failed to gain momentum against the Alamo Heights J. V. on September 20, and lost 8-0. This loss, played at Mac, brought the Big Blue J. V. to a 2-2-1 record.

Alamo Heights, playing defensively, scored during the second quarter from six yards out. The conversion attempt then succeeded for

Still smarting from a de-feat by Southside High School's varsity team, the MacArthur Junior Varsity pounded Height's Sophomore squad, 28-8. The contest took place on the unfortunate Mules' home field, September 21.

John Garner, Kenny Pape, Arthur Ressman, Norman Thomas and John Snider, the single freshman member of the team figured prominently in the vic-

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MAC SHORT SPORTED

Physical Education Department Head Jim Terry plans to enter the best of MacArthur's P.E. boys in a fourteen event track meet at North East Stadium on November 28. Churchill, Lee, MacArthur and Roosevelt High School students will vie for individual honors.

Coach Terry has planned the meet in cooperation with the P.E. department heads of Churchill, Lee and Roose-velt The proposed track meet has given to P.E. students 2 points. The count remainat MacArthur what Coach Terry refers to as "a whole ed 8-0, Alamo Heights. new sense of direction."

POINTING WHERE? Perhaps the time has arrived to suggest the enlargement of Mac's sports "repertoire". The popular, but somewhat vanilla, array of sports now offered to the local athlete does little, if any, justice to some of the greater games of the world.

Soccer's American rebirth has yet to dent MacArthur's myopic shell. However, professional, college and high school soccer games have recently commanded national

NO JUSTICE

Boxing is employed in North East Independent School District's male gym classes as a means of settling petty disputes. This seems hardly a fitting tribute to the exacting sport that has for 5,000 years sparked the athletic tory. imagination.

These international sports, soccer and boxing, represent a sample of the wealth of culture which could be, but is not, offered to the athlete attending MacArthur.

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