

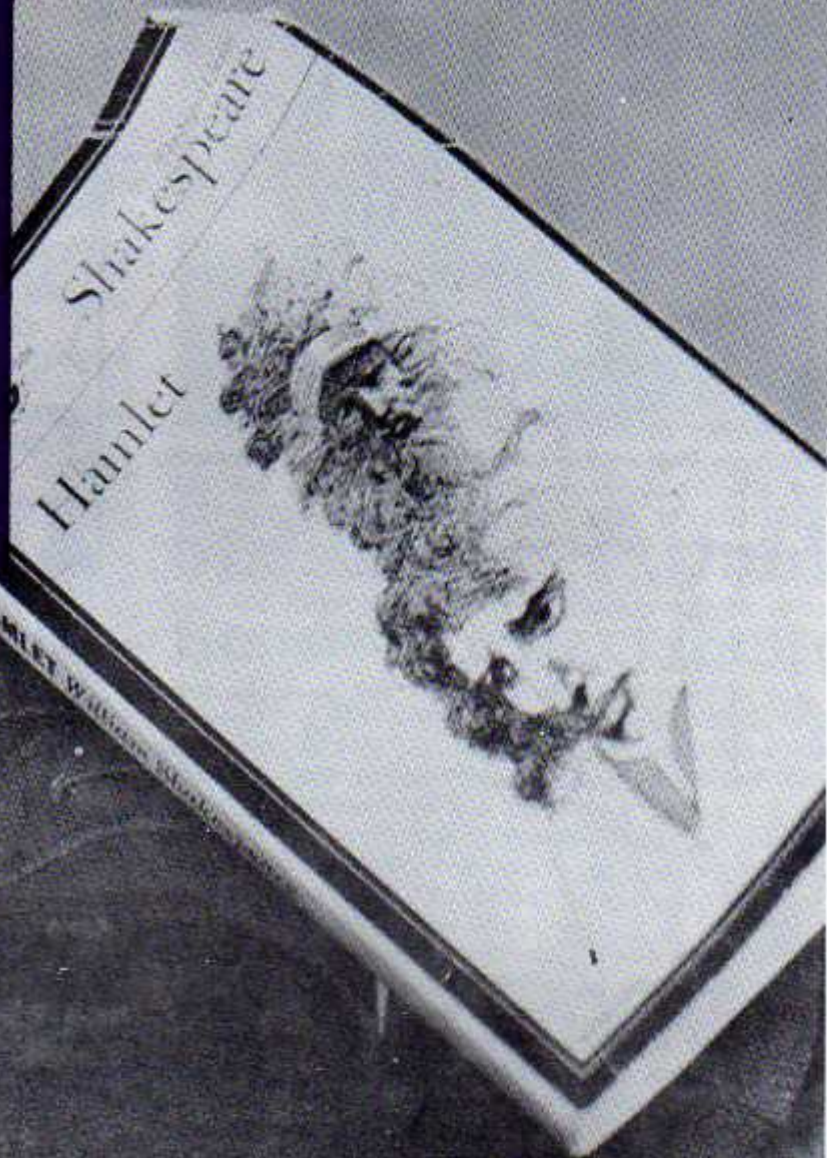
# Brahma Tales



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Of only a few books can it be  
said that death hath no dom-  
inion over them;  
they live,  
and their influence lives forever.  
— J. Swartz



# Editorials

## "Go-Away" Method Solves Nothing

"Rain, Rain,  
Go Away.  
Come Again Some Other Day."

When one grows up, he supposedly puts away his childish things, including childish solutions to problems.

Yet today this "go-away" method of dealing with danger lingers in many who are considered mature adults.

Specifically, these adults fail to acquaint themselves with drug facts. This editorial is not an attempt to shift the blame to another set of shoulders. The majority of the responsibility still lies with the teenager who has so long demanded adults' rights and must now make an adult's decision.

Not to be ignored however, is the part the uninformed adult plays in the spread of drug abuse. As people who have lived for a quarter of a century longer than the "now generation", adults are a natural source for young people to use in formulating ideas. When elders cannot answer questions or answer with weak excuses such as "Take my word for it son just don't get involved," or the classic "It's hard for you to understand now, but you'll thank me someday for putting my foot down," the teenager is often disgusted and turns to drugs to satisfy a curiosity which could have been appeased with sufficient knowledge.

It is time for those who have taken a stand for or against drugs to be able to justify their decision with facts. It is no longer enough to label drugs as bad or good. We must realize that drugs, like everything else, have a useful purpose, but that improperly employed, the results can be disastrous.

The ostrich which hides its head in the sand and refuses to acknowledge an enemy's presence, not only does not eliminate the problem; he makes an excellent target for kicking.

### BRAHMA TALES

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### REMEMBER STUDENT ELECTIONS...



## Individuals Suffer From Stereotyping

If the fingernail-on-blackboard effect could gauge the frustration of hearing people consistently evaluate other people collectively, then certainly there would be many clawing digits.

Stereotyping has become the easiest excuse for proving a person incapable of surpassing his "image."

Evidence of stereotyping individuals occur most frequently by racial groupings:

The Negro still typifies the foolish slave of yesterday or the Amos and Andy breed. The Latin American exemplifies the "manana, manana" attitude with the "Jellow Pages" dialect. The Indian brings to mind primitive man with primitive speech, "HOW." Only the white man implicates superiority; he alone has a little damaging stereotype.

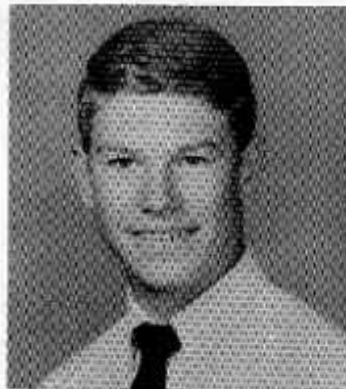
In addition to racial stereotyping, there are minor, but common, groupings. Often heard are locality references. The Southwest San Antonio inhabitants are gang fighters and dope pushers. Southeast citizens are "ghetto" dwellers. The Northeast representatives are the affluent and influential crowd.

Appearance also marks a person. The shaggy, slightly unkempt but equally knowledgeable person will rarely be recognized by conservative colleagues.

The idiosyncrasy of stereotyping will never lessen or stop. Our system of order is based upon classification, as life itself is arranged into genus and species.

Yet, in this age of increasing awareness, more emphasis needs to be placed on a person as an individual.

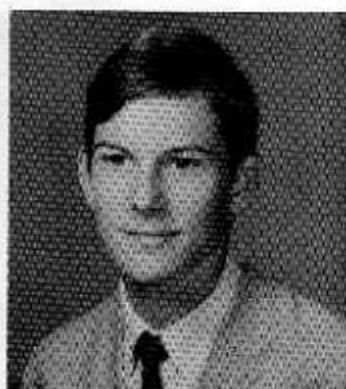
America's melting pot has bubbled into separately identified sediment. The pot requires stirring so that the only tag on human beings in this nation is the tag of American.



**Ted Alexander**



**Tom Romo**



**Wayne Seipel**



**Stuart Platt**

by Brenda Speert

Student Council election fervor has begun to kindle as candidates prepare final speech drafts. Yet, the list of hopefuls looks no more name-filled than a list of K.P. volunteers!

First indications pointed to harrowing contest for the vice-presidency, but the battlefield of four dwindled to two as pair of juniors surrendered their applications to to office. The "pre-registration" of these two nominees was accomplished without the boys' authorized signatures.

Of the nine candidates filing for the five Student Council positions, only two non-juniors have ventured into the race.

Enthusiasm is a lost word in describing the election situation. The offices, because of a dearth of applicants, could be decided, as a last resort by the flip of a coin.

Presidential and vice-presidential candidates were asked by the BRAHMA TALES to respond to questions concerning the significance of their election.

#### Presidential Candidates

**Ted Alexander**, who was the 1970 class sophomore president, explained his desire to claim the Student Council presidency as his final service to the school and as a chance for personal betterment. His campaign for office, which he jestingly termed a "force of habit," is structured to advocate a more tangible unity within the school through

improved communications. Alexander also hopes to promote extracurricular activities, which he feels is the key to better school spirit.

Considering his qualifications, the three-year representative commented, "It is not my place to determine whether or not I am qualified. If the students agree with my ideas and think I am capable of carrying them out, then they should vote for me. But, if I seem all talk and no action, they would be foolish to elect me Council president."

Opposing Alexander is another veteran representative, **Tom Romo**. Citing his three years Council experience, in addition to the presidency of his freshman class, Romo intends to utilize his practical knowledge in fulfilling the presidency office. His leading objective is to fuse the ties between the Council and the student body.

Committee work has been Romo's foundation in business procedures. The basis of his campaign he believes will be his perseverance. "I will work my hardest to represent the students in every way possible," Romo asserts. "In addition," he resumed, "if elected to this position, I

will give all the time and effort needed to make next year's Student Council the best."

#### Vice Presidents

The vice-presidential ticket is composed of a junior and sophomore.

Junior class President **Stuart Platt** entered the race with this explanation. "Just as our nation's leaders help our country, they also gain much themselves. I truly hope I can help our school as well as gain maturity myself."

Platt's three year tenure in the Council includes attendance at Trinity's state Student Council officers workshop and this month's journey to the state Student Council convention.

Upon his election, Platt expounded, "It is hard to plan this far ahead, but I truly believe one of our most important projects should be to unite the school since the lack of communication has harmed our unity."

The most vehement answer about election intentions came from Sophomore **Wayne Seipel**.

"I am seeking office because I want to destroy the misconceptions about Student Council, mainly that the group does do something for the stu-

dents. The main purpose of the Council is to save the faculty the trouble of organizing a few dances and other activities."

Seipel feels that votes are gained on popularity; hence, the desire to run is founded on greed. He intends to vie for the vice president's job in order to be heard. "None of the other candidates want to do what I want to do," demonstrates Seipel. He hopes to give the student a voice in school affairs whether it concerns rules or course selection, which he holds as most important.

Reiterating his views, Seipel concluded, "I will listen to anyone else who disagrees with me. If they prove convincing, I will change my opinion."

#### Other Offices

Completing the ballot's entries are Duzie Gordon and Marsha King for corresponding secretary; Dolores Dixon and freshman Mary Beth Fischer for treasurer; and Connie Cox, who receives congratulatory announcements prematurely for her uncontested run for recording secretary.

Elections, occurring during advisory periods, will take place next Thursday and Friday.



# File 13



By Brenda Speert

... The Oakwell Library, the Public Library's branch located next to Garner Jr. High School, will be dedicated Sunday, March 23. Bookworms will be able to invade the building after the 7 p.m. ceremony.

... Robert E. Lee High School was cited recently in the state-wide University Interscholastic League newspaper. The school has been put on probation for mistreatment of officials at last year's One-Act Play competition.

... Publicized in the S. A. News was Alamo Heights' announcement of two new science course offerings, Geology and Oceanography.

... Another innovation practiced in Mrs. Marilyn Jones' senior English classes consists of an artistic interpretation of **Brave New World** through the medium of collages. This project annuled themes on this book.

... In celebration of the MacArthur boys swim team district championship, girl team members presented an elaborately decorated cake for the victorious boys. Yet, the cake cutting ceremony was stalled when a knife was nowhere in sight. A solution was found, however, when an ingenious thinker took a piece of cardboard to the cake.

... Students planning to register for the ACT or CEEB tests should secure information and applications now. The \$6 ACT test will be administered at SAC. April 26 while the \$14 composite CEEB test will be administered May 3. Deadline date for the ACT is March 24. Deadline for the CEEB is April 5 while penalty date is April 19.

... It is said that in a library, one can lose his sense of time. But, it was with a startled jump that seventh period students responded to an awkwardly timed bell. The student's response was to Vice-Principal Jim Davis, who in this case tripped the burglar alarm while entering the library from a back entrance. Needless to say, the students who thought the warning signaled a fire drill were reconciled.

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## ROTC Out Shoots All District Foes

MacArthur ROTC Rifle Team shot down Roosevelt, Lee and Churchill successively in district indoor petition.

The gunners opened the season March 3 with a 1018-836 win over Roosevelt at Roosevelt's rifle range. The six-man team returned March 10 to rout Robert E. Lee 1003-860 at Lee.

A third match March 17 at MacArthur netted an official 1033-845 win over Churchill.

High scorer for the Roosevelt match was Scott Tarkenton, followed by the other members of the team: William Eichler, Robert Little, Tim Miller, Stephen Sellers, and Cecil Smith.

The competition is held on a 50-foot indoor target in each position of competition; prone, kneeling and standing.

Target sheet contains twelve 1½ inch targets, similar to those used in archery. The points are tabulated in a manner similar to archery giving more points the closer to the bulls-eye one hits.

The rifle team will wrap-up its season with a match against all other North East district schools April 7.

## Brahma Band Shoots For Sweepstakes

The Brahma Band will compete in the University Interscholastic League concert and sightreading contest at John Jay High School Friday, March 21.

Entrance requirements include the preparation of two selected numbers and one warm-up number. The warm-up number will be "Land of Lincoln." "Italian In Algiers" and "Symphonic Movement" will climax the concert.

In this competition, sightreading measures a band's ability to play numbers it has never seen before. The prepared numbers displays a band's degree of accomplishment through rehearsal.

A first division rating in concert and sightreading in addition to the first divisions in the marching contest last fall would give the band sweepstakes for the second consecutive year.

## Spring Carnival Blooms In May

The annual Spring Carnival, sponsored by the Student Council, will take place May 3, from 5 to 10 pm., behind the girl's gym.

Any advisory or club is eligible to enter, and must have already placed their entries into the Council by Monday, March 17.

A variety of entertainment will be offered. Those attending may indulge in everything from good food to tricycle races or marriage ceremonies.

Profits from the affair will go to the various organizations and advisories sponsoring booths at the carnival.

# Mac Wins Top Honors At French Symposium

Not even a drenching rain, an attack of appendicitis, or nearly total confusion could prevent MacArthur's French students from clinching top honors at the Fifth Annual French Symposium, Saturday, March 15.

The annual contest, plagued this year by rain, confusion, and even an unfortunate attack of appendicitis to a Trinity entrant moved to Our Lady of the Lake College for a day packed with both excitement and disappointment for its 800 contestants.

The 98-member Brahmas delegation, sponsored by French teachers Mrs. Dee Moynihan and Miss Pam Griffis, included 14 first place winners, six second place finishers, and four who placed third.

Marcia DeBerry, a MacArthur senior who excels in two languages besides French, is one of three students being considered for a \$500 scholarship after being judged one of the most outstanding seniors in the Symposium.

The day's schedule began with a welcoming assembly at 8:15 a.m. Scheduled events (grammar, poetry, prose, dramatic reading, etc.) continued until 4 p.m. in the afternoon. MacArthur's AFS Club, sponsored by Miss Pam Wright, catered an awards banquet honoring the various

schools in MacArthur's cafeteria later in the afternoon.

Climaxing the day's events, Le Treteau de Paris, an acting company from Paris, France, presented "Antigone" at Our Lady of the Lake College in the Thiry Auditorium.

Of the 22 state-wide high schools entered, the four runners-up were given French books by the French Cultural Ambassador in Houston. The Brahmas accepted an impressive trophy for their efforts.

MacArthur's list of winners included: French I—Gail Factor, Debbie Edgarian, Sally Ehlert, and Richard Carnes; French II—Marcia DeBerry, Jean Dupree, and Janet Miller; French III—Karen Carignan, Anna Armstrong, Debbie Stewart, Kathy Couser, and Valerie Thomas.

In art, Dawn Lavelle, Kathy Couser, Billy Eicholts and Fritz Holstrum received honors. And in music, Paulette Gipson, Beverly Eldrige, Janice Marks, Nancy Rumbel, Katie Papa, Cassie Grim, Phyllis Trcka, Kay Marks, and Allison Stoye walked off with top honors.



Ginny Singleton happily displays the trophy she was awarded for winning the advertising layout competition at the DECA state convention.

## Junior Girl Wins Deca Ad Contest

MacArthur Junior Ginny Singleton walked off with first place in her field of advertising layout at the annual Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) state convention in Dallas, March 6-9.

The convention was held at the Dallas Statler Hilton and hosted over 3000 students from the 400 DECA chapters throughout Texas.

Ginny, along with Junior Gidget Dixon and Miss Cindy Mason, the MacArthur DECA coordinator, traveled to Dallas for the convention after having won first division awards at the area convention. February 1 at Harlandale High School. Gidget won area competition in job interview but did not place at the state convention.

Ginny and Miss Mason are now bound for Atlantic City and the National Convention May 5.

Of the six DECA chapters in the NorthEast District: Churchill had a second place in job interview and Lee had a third

place in studies in marketing along with an award for outstanding service station trainee.

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# 20% Of Student Body Enrol

by Zia Gipson

Remember when the vocational student was a member of a rare breed? Remember when it was assumed he would not go to college?

Today one out of every five MacArthur students is enrolled in vocational technical programs.

This relatively new program is part of modern education's answer to the growing needs of business for better trained personnel. Whether these students will begin work after high school or continue on to colleges or universities is of no matter.

A little known fact about the department is that a great many of its students will go on to college. In electronics, for instance, 70% pursue college diplomas.

This program offers the student a chance to experience and choose between career fields before he has committed his time, money or both.

For example, a student who might aspire to become a doctor or nurse actually has the opportunity of working with these people.

The three vocational areas open to the student are technical training, the cooperative work programs, and industrial training.

The first category, vocational technical training, is open to juniors and seniors. The two hour, two credit course involves training on the school campus in either data processing or electronics.

The second field, cooperative work programs, also open only to juniors and seniors, concerns half-day work opportunities combined with a half-day of regular classroom activities.

During employment, the students are paid and trained in the basic skills of the profession. However, they can also meet the minimum college requirements for college entrance.

In the first year of these programs, two units of credit are given while in the second year, the credit number is increased to three.

There are four specific areas under these cooperative work programs. Distributive Education involves employment in retailing, wholesaling, and similar services. Health Occupations provides training in hospitals, clinics, laboratories, medical

offices, and other health facilities. Industrial cooperative training provides instruction in auto mechanics and carpentry as well as in bakeries or as painters, plumbers, or machinists. The last area in the half-day programs is office training in stenographic and secretarial skills, office machine operations, and general office clerical work.

The last of the types of training offered is vocational industrial training, open to sophomores as well as juniors and seniors.

Concerned with the performance of useful or productive jobs or projects, these students receive three units of credit. The areas open are air conditioning and refrigeration, which includes installation and repair techniques, drafting for architectural engineering or structural drawing trades, and electrical trades, concerned with residential wiring, wiring, electrical repairs, and welding.

One of the common misconceptions about the vocational department is that a student has to give up regular courses in order to provide time for such training.

Actually he is only making substitutions for physical education and a study hall. In the three hour courses, these two substitutions plus one elective, usually reserved for chorus, art or similar subjects, make up the three hour block.

These ten areas offer students values, not only in full-time employment, but also for summer and after school work.

The instructors for these various fields are qualified with a minimum of seven years experience and two summers of seminar work. Many also have Masters degrees.

The quality of these programs is also evident within the extra curricular programs vocational students are involved in.

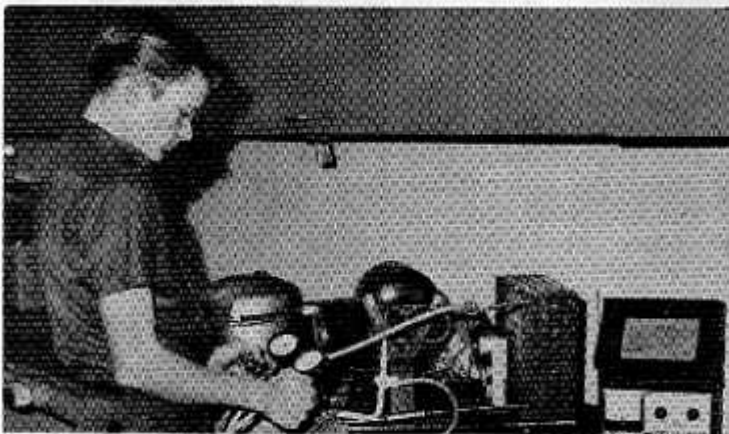
Senior Tommy Fowler is one example. As state President of the Texas Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA), he is the head of a thirteen thousand member association.

Not to be slighted are other Mac chapters of Vocational Education Clubs of America (DECA).

These organizations keep a frenzied pace in local, state, and national competition. Junior Ginny Singleton is a prime example of this competitive spirit. She will represent Texas in the advertising layout contest at the national DECA competition in Atlantic City, N. J., in May.

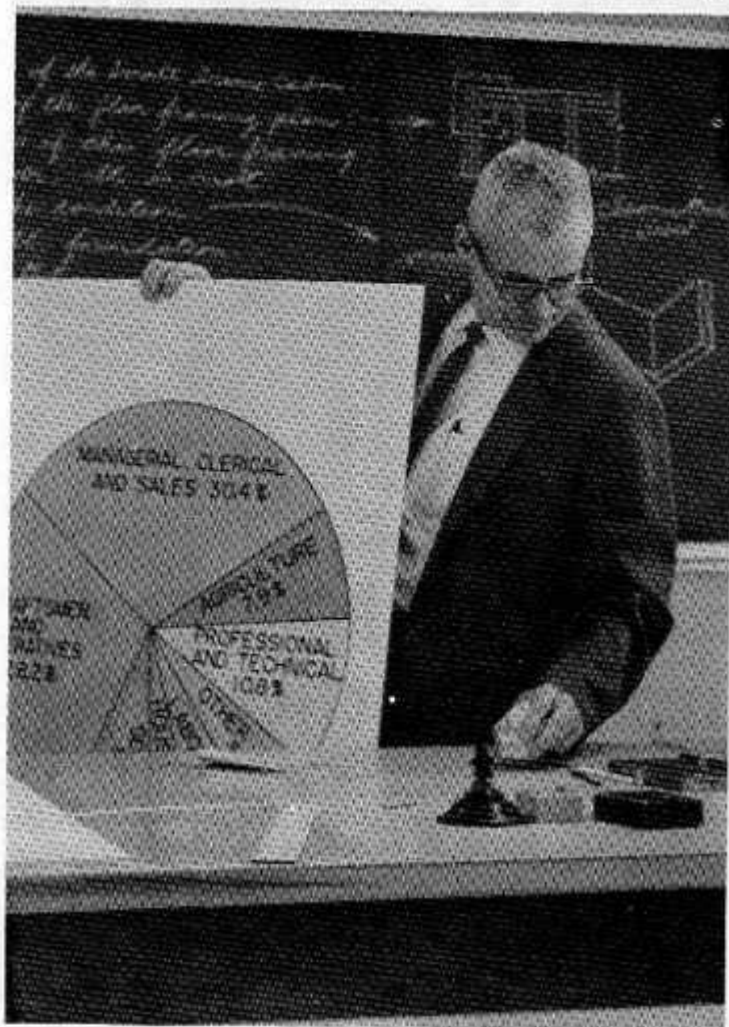
Mr. Roy S. Gabriel, vocational counselor for MacArthur, listed some of the goals of the department as "striving for self-improvement, for development of concern in community and country, and for growth of responsible leadership in young people."

The four hundred vocational students may not be a new breed after all. Rather, they are the result of a program which strives to advance its students in training, work opportunities, and character development.

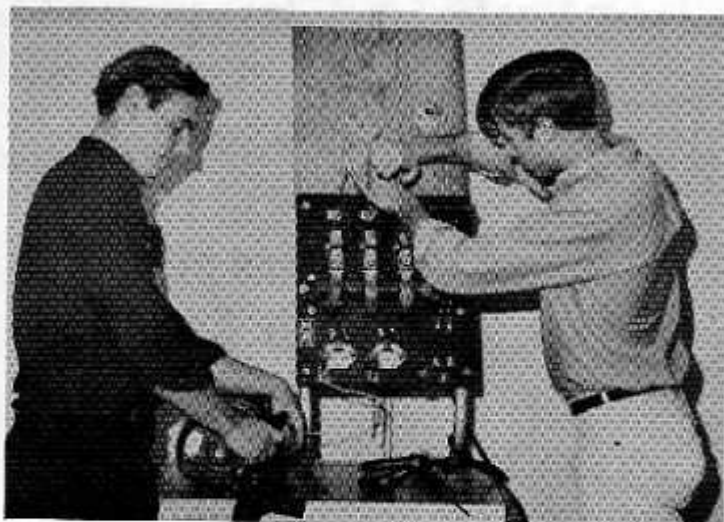


Karl Ikero makes a routine check of a cooler in refrigeration class.

# ed In Vocational Department



Department chairman Alfred Piepers often uses charts to illustrate an important point.



Ken Petri (L) and Russell Wilson repair a 220 electric motor in electronics.



A perspective drawing of a house draws the attention of Gary Morrison (L), Roger Went (M) and Dave Tindall.



Bob Carranza (L) and Fred Slizz practice installation of wall switches.



# MacArthur Chessmen Checkmate Churchill

March has been a big month for the MacArthur Chess Club.

The chessmen defeated Churchill in a dual match March 8 and elected officers for next year at their March 11 meeting.

Highest finishers in the Churchill match were: David Borgan, first place; Doug Pautz and David Braunstein, tied for fourth place; and David Olson, fifth place.

Officers for 1969-70 are: President, David Olson; Vice-President, Doug Pautz; Secretary, David Borgan; Treasurer, David Braunstein; and Recorder-Historian, Rusty Hinton.

The club will compete in the Roosevelt tournament March 22-23 at Roosevelt High School.

The Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in room 309. During the meeting, practice games are held and members are coached by Club Sponsor Gene Sargent or co-sponsor Henry Spires.

## Ides of March Theme of Latin Club Banquet

The Ides of March was the theme of the Latin club's banquet held Saturday, March 15, at the Barn Door Restaurant.

After the meal, Miss Doris McIntyre, MacArthur's Latin teacher and Latin Club sponsor, showed slides of Italy.

Tim Miller, club president, gave a short talk on the background and significance of the ides of March.

Pins and membership cards to the Latin Club, an affiliate of the American Classical League, were distributed to members.



The Sons of Bach warm up for their performance in the Talent Show. The show, which was presented March 14 in the auditorium, drew a large crowd.

## MacArthur Journalists Top UIL Practice Meet

Despite a strong showing by MacArthur journalism students, MacArthur finished sixth out of 30 schools at the University Interscholastic League, (UIL) practice meet March 15 at Roosevelt.

In the journalism section, MacArthur's three entrants, Brenda Speert, Richard Bayse, and Sara Jane Hawthorne carried the school to an easy first place.

Sara Jane Hawthorne came in first in editorial writing and Brenda Speert was tops in copy-reading, second in feature writing, and second in editorial writing.

Richard Bayse came in third in headlining and fourth in news writing.

Overall, Brenda Speert, editor of the Brahma Tales, finished first with 223 points. Sara Jane Hawthorne was fifth, Richard Bayse was sixth.

The journalism team total of 403 points easily outdistanced second place Churchill's 195.

Peggy Chesson took second in persuasive speaking and Doug Coffey was third.

In prose, Mark Karpel captured third in the boys' competition while Judy Schafer was third in the girls' division.

Roosevelt won their own meet with 80 points. Alamo Heights came in second with 50 points. New Braunfels High was a surprising third.

## In The Next Two Weeks

Sat., March 22 — Track: Northeast Invitational Track and Field meet at BAC.

Mon., March 24 — Campaign for Student Council officers.

Tues., March 25 — Baseball: Mac vs John Jay, 4 p.m., away — Class officers candidates sign up.

Thurs., March 27 — Juniors assemble to elect Student Council officers, second advisory-Baseball: First District Game, Mac vs Lee, 4 p.m., home.

Fri., March 28 — Sophomore and freshman assembly to elect Student Council officers, first advisory.

Sat., March 29 — Dance: sponsored by the Bairsns, 7:30-12 at the Pearl Pavilion.

Mon., March 31 — Tennis: District competition at San Pedro Courts, all day.

Tues., April 1 — Baseball: Mac vs Roosevelt, 4 p.m., away.

Wed., April 2 — Choir: UIL Contest, all day.

Thurs., April 3 — School dismissed 2:30 for Easter Holiday — Baseball: Mac vs Jeff, 4 p.m., at homefield — Track: District track meet at Alamo Stadium, all day — Jewish Holiday: Passover.

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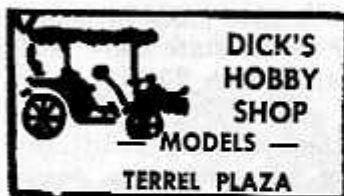
## Four Debators Represent Mac At NFL Meet

For the first time in MacArthur's history, the school was represented in the National Forensic League's Regional Meet at Lamar School in Houston, March 14 and 15.

Four students, accompanied by Mrs. Pat Gartman, speech and debate coach, competed with former state and national winners. To qualify as entrants the student must have earned 250 points in speech participation. Points are awarded for individual performances at the speech tournaments during the year.

In cross examination debate, Mac sent two entries, the boy's team of Stan Crawford and Mark Mitchell and the mixed team of Zia Gipson and Jeff Harmon. Crawford and Harmon were also entered in extemporaneous speaking.

After U.I.L. competition March 29 these four students will be concerned with preparation for MacArthur's first annual debate tournament to take place May 9 and 10.



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## Bairn Dance Honors Spring Sports Teams

"Sunshine, Lollipops, and Rainbows" is the theme of the Bairn's annual spring dance scheduled for Saturday, March 29.

The dance will be at the Pearl Pavilion at HemisFair Plaza from 7:30 p.m. to midnight.

The semi-formal affair honors the members of all spring sports teams including track, baseball, basketball, swimming golf, and tennis.

Only Bairs, Lassies, band members, and spring sports team members may attend the dance at which "The Flash", a San Antonio band, will play.

Tickets are on sale for \$2.50.

## April Brings Class Elections

Although Student Council officer elections take place March 28, the campaign tempo at MacArthur will continue for still another month.

The next facet of the election schedule concerns class officer elections beginning with the application period March 25 through March 27. Students wishing to run for any class office may apply in the main office.

The usual campaign posters and election promises are scheduled to begin appearing April 8.

Offices which are open to students for the 1969-1970 school year are president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and chaplain. These six positions in student government will be voted on in advisory assemblies April 14 and 15.

Students are reminded that each class president automatically becomes a member of the Student Council.



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# Sports



Roger Kies, right, takes early lead in the preliminaries of the 100 yard dash. Kies made it to finals but failed to place.

## Trackmen Stumble At Border Olympics

Some of the toughest competition in Texas limited the Brahma track team to five points and an eighth place finish at the 37th annual Border Olympics in Laredo, March 7-8.

The meet proved to be an all San Antonio show as Wheatley came out on top with 28 points and Highlands followed a close second with 26. In all, 38 high schools were entered.

Despite a fall in the preliminaries, senior Mike Thompson scored three points with a third place

finish in the 120 yard intermediate hurdles.

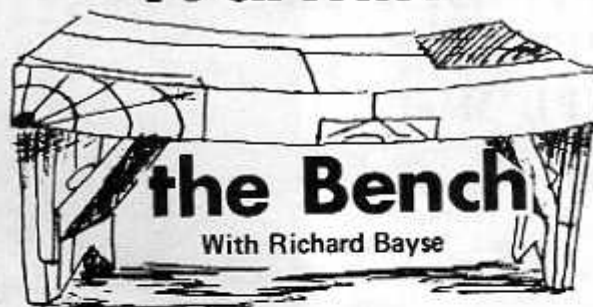
Also placing for MacArthur was junior Norman Thomas who added two points by placing fourth in the pole vault.

Reaching the finals but not scoring were Don Haines and Roger Kies, 100 yard dash; Hal Vagtborg, 880 yard run; Robert Worely, mile run; and Kevin McMaughn, 120 high hurdles.

The sprint relay team of Don Haines, Roger Kies, Gary Caswell, and Doug Bachman also reached the finals.

The Brahmas take part in the annual Northeast Invitational on Saturday, March 22, at Blossom Athletic Center.

# Warmin'



Sports fans from time to time tend to be an overbearing group.

No matter what sport they support, their major cry is for a championship. When the team fails to live up to expectation, fans go into a seige of discontent.

But what sports fans forget is that champions in any sport do not just happen overnight. It takes countless hours of sacrifice, sweat, and pain. Voltaire once said, "Perfection is attained by slow degrees. It requires the hand of time."

An unheralded group of athletes exemplifies the above quote. The swimmers at MacArthur are the only championship sports team the school has this year. Yet little attention is paid to them.

There are several reasons why the swim team is a champion, but the main reason is work.

Since October team members have gotten up at 5:30 in the morning in order to get to the pool for swimming practice from 6:15 to 7:15 a.m. After practice the swimmers must dash home and prepare for school.

When seventh period rolls around, it's back to the pool again. And the process goes on and on and on. Yet a sense of dedication keeps the team going, along with the hope of being state champions.

Captain of the team, Bill Barnhill, stresses endurance as a key to the practices. Along with a warm-up drill of one hundred 10-yard lengths of the pool, each individual event has its own grueling exercises to prepare swimmers for competition.

The swim team, which took first place in district March 7, is looking hopefully to the state meet being held this Thursday and Friday, March 20-21.

Houston Memorial, the state favorite, has the greatest advantage in that their system is different from San Antonio's regarding what school a person can attend. In Houston as long as you can get the transportation to the school of your choice, you may attend it. Thus, Houston Memorial can recruit the best swimmers in the area.

Barnhill also states that school spirit plays a large part in the team's effort. Very few people attend MacArthur swim meets and yet the team may be the best in MacArthur swimming history.

If the students expect teams to be winners and champions, teams have a right to expect fans to be champions and winners by their support at the athletic events.



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# Swimmers Sweep District Again

The MacArthur boy's swimming team splashed to their third consecutive district title March 8 at the North East pool.

The swimmers compiled a total of 320 points to easily outdistance second place Churchill's 224½ points. The other teams who swam were in order of finish: Alamo Heights, Roosevelt, Austin, Lee, New Braunfels, and John Marshall.

The Brahmas advanced 17 swimmers to the finals from the preliminaries held on March 7.

The tankers brought home five first places, four in freestyle events.

Team Captain Bill Barnhill scored in the 200 yard freestyle. He then returned to notch a win in the 400 yard freestyle.

Junior Ray Ince also won two events. He splashed to an easy win in the 50 yard freestyle in the near record time of 22.8 seconds. The pool record is 22.7. Ince doubled by winning the 100 yard freestyle in 50.0 seconds.

The two relay teams also did quite well.

The 200 yard medley relay came in first by a tenth of a second. Alamo Heights' Mules had a comfortable lead going into the last two laps when senior Roy Ison hit the water. Ison managed to catch and pass the

Heights swimmer and the Brahmas went on to score the narrow win. Other members of the relay were Dusty Randolph, Court Thieleman and Mike Varekens.

The 400 yard freestyle relay came in second to Alamo Heights. This relay was composed of Ince, Barnhill, Charlie Spencer, and David Spencer.

The Brahmas had three second places: Charlie Spencer, 200 yard individual medley and 100 yard butterfly; and Court Thieleman, 100 yard breaststroke. The Brahmas had also three third places: David Spencer, 200 yard freestyle and 400 yard freestyle; and Mike Mogan, 100 yard breaststroke.

MacArthur divers Pancho Smith and Ricky Alexander placed second and fifth respectively in a field of 12 divers.

Former MacArthur football coach Joe Bill Fox, who is now district athletic director, presented the district championship trophy to Bill Barnhill and coach Don Dill.

The final meet for the boys team will be the state meet at Arlington March 21 and 22.



Dusty Randolph finishes his leg of the 200 yard medley relay. The Brahmas nipped Alamo Heights to win the event.

## Girl Tankers Dunk Roosevelt in Opener

The state defending champion girl's swimmers recorded their first victory of the season by trouncing the Roosevelt girls, 64 to 31 in a dual meet March 15 at Northeast pool.

The girls quickly took the lead by winning the first event, the 200 yard medley relay. The four girls had a time of 2:07:5, making them Honorable All-American swimmers. The Honorable All-American time is 2:08:00 or better. This relay team consisted of Bonnie Buchanan, Sally Billmeier, Kathy Joyce, and Tina Treut.

Those taking first places were: Vesta Flaggert, 200 yard freestyle; Bonnie Buchanan, 400 yard freestyle; Tina Treut, 200 yard individual medley, and 100 yard breaststroke.

Those finishing second were: Sarah Barbee, 100 yard backstroke; JoAnn Lash, 200 yard freestyle; Helen Seidel, 100 yard butterfly; Susan Billmeier, 400 yard freestyle; and Sally Billmeier, 50 yard freestyle.

In individual events, Brahma girls had four

first places, five seconds, and three thirds.

Placing third were: Riki Ison, 100 yard freestyle; Becky Buchanan, 100 yard backstroke; JoAnne Lash, 100 yard butterfly.

Coach Don Dill promised that each girl would swim at least two events, so four relay teams entered the 400 yard freestyle relay. "A" relay took first in a field of six teams.

Paulette Gibson tapped off the meet by winning the diving competition.

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# Baseballers Win, Tie; Netters Take Over Top Spot In Metropolitan League

MacArthur continues to prove its excellence in baseball as the team remains undefeated.

In an errorless game against John Jay the Brahmas took an early lead with a pair of runs in the first two innings and went on to win 3-1.

In the first inning Ken Pape scored on Arthur Ressen's hit to right field. In the second inning getting a walk, Ricky Moore scored on a base hit by Tom Cusick.

The Brahmas third run came in the sixth when John Garner, who had doubled, scored on a single by Moore.

John Jay scored in the sixth but was unable to catch up and lost 3-1.

Chip Hames relieved winner Joe Graham in the sixth and saved the win.

Darkness prevailed when the Brahmas met Antonian March 7 at MacArthur.

The game was called at the top of the seventh inning as daylight dwindled and the Brahmas, who had led 6-0, had to settle for a 6-6 tie.

MacArthur ran away with the game during the first five innings as Stan Shipley, Ken Pape, Arthur Ressen, John Garner and Tom Cusick, crossed the plate giving the Brahmas a 6-0 margin with two innings left.

With a lack of experience among the Brahma reserves very evident, Antonian immediately took advantage and scored six runs during the fifth, sixth, and seventh innings.

Darkness kept the Brahmas from their turn at bat in the final inning and the game ended 6-6.

## Box Scores

MacArthur 110 001 0-3-7-0  
John Jay 000 001 0-1-4-4  
Mac—Graham (W 2-0),  
Hames (6), and Moore.  
John Jay—Burchard (L 0-1),  
Kidder (5), and Hubbard.

Antonian 000 040 2-6-4-2  
MacArthur 021 300 -6-7-5  
Mac—Fetzer, Webb (5),  
Hames (7), and Moore.  
Antonian—Mitchell, Perkins  
(6), and Smyrl.

## Brahmas Fall To Last Place In District Golf Competition

District 20-AAAA golf competition found MacArthur at the bottom of the list as the matches ended this week.

Final results could not be verified at press time as several matches were being made up because of bad weather.

After losing their first four matches, the golfers took their first victory by defeating Churchill. Bill Holder was medalist for the Brahmas as he fired an even par 36 at Olmos Basin golf course.

During the next six matches MacArthur scored poorly and lost all six.

The first in the string of defeats came as Lee edged MacArthur. Bill Holder and Charles Garrett tied for low scorer for the Brahmas as they each carded two over par 38's at Brackenridge golf course.



Losing only one match out of 16, Brahma netters took command of the Metropolitan League's seven school round-robin competition.

With points tabulated separately for boys and girls, MacArthur is the only threat to win both divisions.

Male netters did not relinquish a point in competition against the Highland Owls and the Churchill Chargers. John Biggs and Doug Vanderploeg won a split set decision against Highlands 6-8, 6-3, 9-7, and smash-

ed their Churchill opponents 7-5, 8-6 to accumulate four points, two each number 1 doubles match victory.

Dickie Blair, number 1 solo player, flattened the Highland opposition 6-1, 6-1 and overpowered Churchill 6-2, 6-4. Doubles partners Mitch Carlson and Jack Boerner eliminated Highlands 6-0, 6-4 and mastered Churchill 6-3, 6-3.

Singles netter Jim Polka crushed the Owl player 6-2, 9-7 while the Charger fell 6-0, 6-4. Each match except the top doubles tallied one point for MacArthur's boys total of ten.

The luckless Owls were similarly blanked in girls' competition. Brenda Speert and Debbie McCartney added two points with a 7-5, 6-1 win in the top doubles match. Duplicate scores of 6-1, 6-1 were recorded by number 1 singles player Debbie Patterson and doubles team of Jenice Graham and Sally Eaves. A triumph by a 6-2, 6-3 score by Karen Hall added the last possible point.

Using the same roster, the Brahma girls only surrendered one point to the Chargers. Speert-McCartney downed their opponents 6-4, 6-0 for two points. Additional points were gathered through triumphs by Patterson 6-3, 6-3 in singles and Graham-Eaves 6-3, 6-0. Hall dropped her match 4-6, 3-6.