

Opportunity Knocks

Firms Seek Employees On Job Day Tuesday

By Susan Marshall
Looking for a job after graduation? Planning how you'll spend that first pay check?

Tuesday will be Job Opportunity Day at Marshall. During the first

three periods any senior seeking full-time employment (not summer or temporary) after graduation will be able to interview several company representatives in the library to compare salaries and fringe benefits offered by various area firms.

Seniors interested in attending Job Opportunity Day must get a pass from their guidance counselor before Tuesday.

Senior guidance counselor Miss Mary Ashton explained, "Often students get so tired and discouraged when job hunting that they take the first job offered without bothering to compare opportunities at different firms. This program is an attempt to enable students to see several different employers in one morning."

This is the first time such a program has been tried in Fairfax County. The Guidance Department set up this pilot program after observing similar activities at Wakefield High School and at high schools in the District.

Over 30 firms interested in hiring high school graduates will participate in Job Opportunity Day. These prospective employers include various government departments, Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co., and Fairfax County Government.

Class Edits Rank & File

This issue of the RANK & FILE is written and compiled by the fifth period Journalism I class as the conclusion of their unit on newspaper work.

Serving as editor-in-chief of this paper is Linda Stone, 11, who is in charge of pages one and two. The two assistant editors who worked on the inside pages are Mike Cascio, 11, and Linda Williamson, 11.

Advertising manager of this issue is Candy Coleman, 12. The two remaining seniors, Becky Leet and Susan Marshall, served as editorial and advertising advisors.

Reporters and ad salesmen are juniors Melanie Phelps and Gary Starliper, and sophomores Maggie Hodges and John Flynn.

Teens Learn by Doing; Assume County Offices

Marshall will send one girl and five boys to fill six county offices as part of Fairfax County's first Student Government Day April 12.

The following seniors, selected by government teachers, will accompany their adult counterparts through a day's work: Art Lewis, Judge; David Anderson, School Board Member; Becky Leet, Welfare Director; Tom Maynard, Fire Chief; Dave Ackerman, Hospital Commissioner; and Jim Hanratty, Planning Director.

A new county Youth Council, composed of representatives from each high school, is sponsoring the day to help students get a better understanding of how the county government works. After April 12, each of the six participating Statesmen will speak to an assembly of Marshall government classes about their experiences.

"I'm interested in looking at the law from the judge's point-of-view," said Art. A prospective doctor or veterinarian, he continues by saying, "I want to broaden my view of the

law and get some experience with the court system."

"I hope to get a feeling for the organization of government where it has closer contact with the people," explained David. "I don't necessarily want to be a school board member but I do want to learn how an individual can be active in local government," added the Princeton hopeful.

Priming for a career in journalism as editor of RANK & FILE, Becky admits to being "fascinated" by politics. "I'm especially interested in government welfare activities and hope to get some practical insight into welfare problems from my Student Government Day experience."

Tom, COLUMBIAN editor and a VPI hopeful with career interests ranging from commercial art to law, plans to use the day to "gain experience with meeting new people and situations."

A Purdue-bound pre-med student, Dave Ackerman hopes "to get a better insight into the workings of a modern hospital system" as Hospital Commissioner.



Marshall's student officials plan for their coup of county government. They are: bottom row, David Anderson, 12; Becky Leet, 12; David Ackerman, 12; top row, Art Lewis, 12; Tom Maynard, 12, and Jim Hanratty, 12.

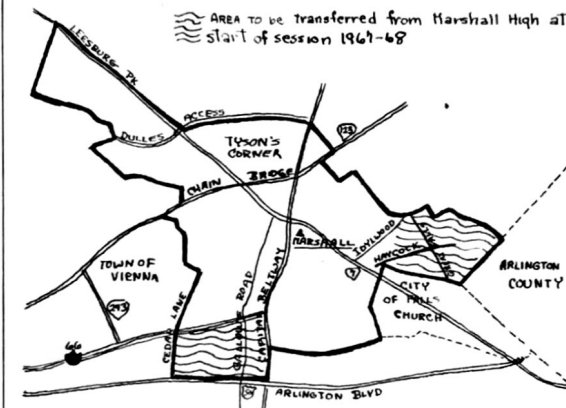


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Area Shuffling Displaces 250



The above map shows the present Marshall school district (within the heavy black lines) and the areas to be transferred beginning next fall (the areas drawn with wavy lines).

By Becky Leet

About 250 Statesmen or would-be Statesmen will attend another high school next year as a result of area redistricting, according to Mr. John T. Broadus, principal. He explained that an addition to McLean High and the opening of Oakton High, near Vienna, will be responsible for bringing GCM back to its 2000 student capacity.

However, he emphasized that, "in keeping with existing school policy, rising seniors in areas being redistricted will be transported to Marshall."

Rt. 50 forms the southern border of the new Oakton area. Cedar Lane bounds the district on the west, Interstate 495 on the east, and Rt. 66 on the north.

The southwest corner of the new McLean district is approximately the intersection of Rt. 7 and Haycock Rd. The northwest corner is approximately the intersection of Idylwood Rd. and Great Falls St. All roads south of this intersection and adjacent to Great Falls St. are included.

Lynn, Mass. Plays Host To Marshall Musicians

This weekend, Lynn, Mass. will host GCM's Symphonic Band in coordination with Marshall's exchange concert program. Mr. John LaCava, band director, said the bus trip will take the band to Lynn, a town ten miles out of Boston, where they will perform in concert in the local high school.

"The trip will be far from all work," said Mr. LaCava. "We intend to visit many of the historical sites near Boston — Bunker Hill, Lexington, and Concord are included in our itinerary."

This exchange is the third such trip for GCM and the second under the direction of Mr. LaCava. Last year the band journeyed to Long Island, New York.

The band members themselves all seem to agree on the idea of the exchange. "It provides us with an opportunity to see other parts of the country, and the people that live there," said Richard Petree, 10.

Carolyn Yates, 10, and Janet Walter, 10, agree that the trip will be "great fun."

On the weekend of April 13-16

Big Magazine Due in Spring

REVEILLE, GCM's literary magazine, will change its policy this year and combine the April humor issue, REVEL-YE, with its annual spring issue.

Mr. Kryston predicts that the spring issue will be "a big package of wonderfulness at the end of the year."

A later deadline for student entries is also in effect. All material must be in to the magazine staff by April 19. The REVEILLE staff is again looking for "Thynques" and art, as well as poetry and prose.

the Lynn band will travel to Marshall in the other end of the exchange. A combined concert with the two bands will be presented April 15 in the auditorium.

SCA Election Set for April

By Linda Williamson

Students wishing to run for SCA offices should turn in nomination forms and wallet-sized pictures of themselves to the main office by April 13. Nomination forms are now available in the office.

Positions open to rising seniors (present juniors) are president and clerk of the senate. Rising juniors may run for vice-president and clerk of the house. The clerks act as secretaries — recording proceedings in the house and senate. Treasurer is the only office open to rising sophomores.

Prospective candidates must have a high "C" average and obtain the signature of their guidance counselor, signifying his approval. Each candidate has to have a teacher to sponsor him also.

Campaigns will last from April 17-21. During this period of time, candidates customarily put up posters and give a campaign speech at a special assembly to be held April 20. Elections are set for April 21.

Other SCA positions are filled later in the spring. Each class elects two senators during May class elections. Homeroom representatives are elected at the beginning of each school year.

Present SCA president, Senior Nancy Terril, says of the election, "I urge as many students as possible to run for SCA office. The campaigns, speeches and elections are a rewarding experience, at which every student has an even opportunity to be elected."

Seniors Stage First Follies

By Maggie Hodges

Statesmen seniors and faculty members will combine April 7 and 8 in GCM's first senior-follies. The program, proceeds from which will go towards the senior gift to the school, will be in the auditorium. Tickets for the 8 p.m. shows will be 75 cents for students and \$1.00 for adults.

The program is composed mainly of skits, but individual acts are also included. The skits are parodies based on well-known English works or characters like "Who's Afraid of B.O. Wolf?" and "Lady Macbeth Walks Again." Also included in the program will be "You Shoulda Been There" — several mini-skits.

Mr. Vergason concerned with the events on particularly famous dates in English history.

Mr. Edwin Vergason, senior English teacher and class sponsor, is in charge of the production. He explained that it was organized to allow all senior English classes to be involved in the Follies in some way. While some students contributed ideas or scripts for parody skits, others filled the acting roles and a third group headed the technical fields such as lighting, sets, and props.

According to Mary Ellen Counts, class treasurer, proceeds from the Follies "will go to help finance the class gift and miscellaneous graduation costs."

This is the second time in as many years that the Class of '67 has turned to a quasi-theatrical production to raise money. Last year the class put on "0067," the variety show intertwined with a spy misadventure featuring James Bod and SMERSH.



Colleges Take More Seniors

Sixty-eight more GCM seniors have been accepted at colleges since Feb. 14 bringing the total to 158. While many seniors have been accepted at several schools, others have not heard from any. According to guidance counselors, the majority of colleges will send admittance notices to seniors by mid-April.

The 36 boys and 32 girls who have been accepted recently are as follows: VPI: Doug Adams, Bill Bardin, Charles Bing, Bill Bish, Ray Moore, Barry Newsome, Debbie Nielson, Amy Owen, John Patterson, Danny Peer, Richard Reeves, Jim Reid, Hank Ross, Tim Summers, Bill Truehart, Bill Haller, Allan Lewis, Jerry McGuire; RADFORD: Diane Hipley, Kathy Donnelly, Karen Ives, Ann McCullough, Bev Wilson, Cheryl Watson, Deanne Spector, Mary Rinehart, Kathy Poe, Debbie Nielson, June Moore, Doris Stiles.

MADISON: Kathy Poe, Mary Rinehart, Barbara Schock, Pam Sweat, Bev Wilson, Glenda Condon, Della Dahl, Diane Hipley; OLD DOMINION: Tom McAndrew, Shiela McAtee, Jerry McGuire, Steve Brisbane, Lyndon Mowry, Jan Phillips, Glenda Condon; GEORGE MASON: John West, Richard Larkin, and Fran Cordani; VMI: Danny Peer, Jim Reid, Dave Marshall.

RPI: Ellen McCue, Eileen Ours, Karen Oberg; BRIDGEWATER: Linda Clark, June Moore; LONGWOOD: Kathy Donnelly; LYNCHBURG: Doug Jarabek.

UNIV. OF TEXAS: Bob Haney, Gary Mattozzi; ST. OLAF: Bruce Burns; OHIO UNIV.: Mike Cardwell; METHODIST COLLEGE: Glenda Condon; EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIV.: Cindy Davison.

FERRUM: Sharon Hall; PHILADELPHIA GEN. HOSPITAL, SCHOOL OF NURSING: Kathy Kopp; CLEMSON: Art Lewis; SUSQUEHANNA: Dave MacGammell; UNIV. OF ARIZONA: Bob Tierno; XAVIER: Mike Sullivan; ATHENS COLLEGE: Jerry Ransome; PURDUE: John Patterson; STEPHAN FOSTER: Ben Nelson.

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ITHACA COLLEGE: Nancy Beatty; GEORGIA TECH and UNIV. OF MICHIGAN: Bill Bish; BLUEFIELD: Foster Rohrbough; BELLOIT: Peggy Iversen; ST. JOSEPH and YORK JR. COLLEGE: Ann McCullough; BOSTON UNIV.: Ed Brazas; VPI: Tom Maynard.

Mung Letters Thank Pupils

EDITOR'S NOTE: A note must be made about the Vietnamese monetary system. Little Mung states in both letters that she received from us 935 Vietnamese dollars. This amount corresponds to about eight American dollars.

Saigon, Nov. 22, 1966

Dear Parents,

I hope these lines will find you in the best of health. Mother and I are doing fine. Mother peddles as usual. We children go to school regularly.

I have received your October allowance of VN\$935 together with two cakes of toilet soap and one pillow. I thank you very much.

We observed National Day here on Nov. 1. It was a very gay holiday. I cannot write yet. Some friend of ours writes this letter for me.

Yours gratefully,

Nguyen thi Mung

Dec. 1966

Dear Foster Parents,

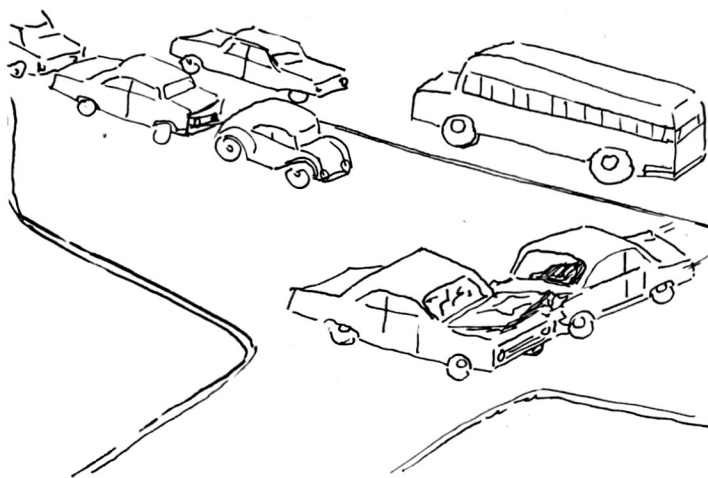
My own parents and I hope that all of you and families continue to be in good health and happy there now.

Last month, I have received an amount of VN\$935, one washing-basin, one towel, one bar of soap, one bottle of vitamins. My own parents and all of us thank you very much, parents.

That is all for now. May I end here.

Affectionately,

Nguyen thi Mung



Two car accident demonstrates Marshall's traffic hazard.

GCM Traffic Tangle

Two accidents on the same day recently at the upper turn in to the school (by the visitors' parking lot) point up the hazardous situation that exists there. Although the situation has existed for five years, heavier traffic on Route 7 has increased its danger.

Except for faculty members coming from the direction of Falls Church who use Marshall Drive, student and faculty drivers are well aware of the precariousness of the upper turn in. Very often drivers turning left across the main lane of traffic are blocked from seeing approaching cars in the curb lane. Similarly, the sight of curb lane drivers is blocked by the stream of cars in the main line of traffic.

However, there are two common sense ways that this problem might be lessened. First, drivers turning left across the main lane of traffic should come to a complete stop before finishing their turn; a hurried glance is often insufficient to spot oncoming cars. Secondly, drivers approaching from the direction of Rt. 495 and wishing to use Marshall Drive, should wait until they are past the upper turn in to pull into the curb lane.

Granted, there will still be the danger of drivers coming from the direction of Rt. 495 who want to use the upper turn in. However, caution and a willingness to yield by those turning left should be sufficient to handle this problem.

Marshall Reshuffled Again

With the creation of a new high school in Oakton, Marshall again loses students. Consider this brief history of GCM:

Marshall opened in 1962 taking most of its students from Madison, Falls Church, and McLean. Where did that leave Marshall? While Vienna had Madison, McLean had McLean, and Falls Church had its namesake, Marshall was caught between the schools having definite boundaries and communities, making it even harder for GCM to get established.

In 1965, as Marshall was just getting settled, the school board was forced, because of Fairfax County's enormous population growth rate, to build another new school: Langley. Marshall lost a chunk of its students, and in the fall the gap was filled by Madison students transferred to relieve overcrowdedness there.

Once again, GCM will have to take a deep breath and keep school unity. But this is nothing new, as we have pulled through, taking our difficulties in stride to become a better school.

Statesmen's Comments

Students Blame Drama Woes On Publicity and Play Choice

Play attendance dropped to a new low during the last drama production when 400 people paid to attend "The Rainmaker" over a three night period. In an attempt to find out why support seems to be waning for plays, RANK & FILE asked Statesmen to comment on the following question: "Why do you think play attendance is decreasing?"

Lynn Francis, 12 — "High school kids like light, farcical plays; they don't like heavy, serious ones like many that have been produced this year. I'm sure lots of students will go to "Bye, Bye Birdie." This year's plays haven't been geared to students' tastes."

Dave Ackerman, 12 — "The plays of the past two years have been mainly dialogue with little action. Kids want plays that have action, not just talk."

Arthur Guthrie, 12 — "I think it's a matter

of numbers—small casts, small audience. Plays with large casts have more built-in publicity. Also, so far this year the plays have had a narrow appeal, "Birdie" will probably draw more people."

Chris Barnes, 11 — "There wasn't enough publicity for "The Rainmaker." Also, the main trouble with the plays this year has been that no one has ever heard of them; kids are more drawn to plays they've heard about."

Sue Ramos, 11 — "The Rainmaker" was too soon after Spoon River Anthology. Also, there wasn't enough publicity, they should have had a preview assembly."

Barbara Dutchek, 10 — "I'm not sure why no one goes. The plays are good. Teachers should tell students more about the plays and what they're about and then students would be more interested in them."

Letters to the Editor

SCA Speaks On Ex-Dance

As the student body knows by this time, the Computer Dance, sponsored by the SCA, had to be cancelled, due to a lack of support. The idea was for students to buy a computer questionnaire, fill it out, and return it to the SCA. The completed questionnaires would then be sent to the Institute for Personality Matching to be computed, and out of all the entries, matches would be made, as ideal as they could be from the limited questions that were asked.

Whether it was due to poor publicity on the part of the SCA, or lack of interest on the part of the students, or both, I do not know. But the fact remains that the dance, which could have been fun for all involved, will not be held. This is surprising to the members of the SCA, as it is the first time lack of interest has defeated an SCA project.

There is very little time left in this year to raise the spirit of the student body. Yet, I hope the students will try to make the situation better with the upcoming Spring Festival, and go into next year with an increase of school spirit — for everything at Marshall.

Nancy Terrill, '67
SCA President

Ex-Statesman Writes Home

TO: The Senior Class and the faculty of George C. Marshall

I am sorry that I could not be at Marshall for graduation. I would so much have liked to come, but complications have arisen and I doubt if I can afford the trip back.

I went to Marshall throughout my high school life until November of 1966. It was heart-breaking to know that I couldn't graduate with my friends, but through the years I did spend at Marshall, I found a great education. I found out exactly what the good things in life are. The school I am attending now could never equal Marshall. I wish I could explain what this place is like. It contains 12 classrooms in all and there are only 47 graduating seniors. When I look at this place, my heart breaks because these kids have to go to school in a place like this and they are proud of it. They don't care what their school is like. I do and so does the faculty at Marshall.

You students don't realize exactly what you've got, but I do. I would give anything to be able to get a diploma from Marshall. Be proud of your school because there are so many students who don't know or realize what it's like to have a beautiful place of education as you all have. I consider you all very, very lucky.

Leslie Anna Marie Schreengost
Surfside Beach, S. C.

Statesmen Of the Month

The Statesmen of the Month for April are junior Marcia Skalnik and senior Steve Brisbane.

Marcia is very active in many organizations at Marshall. She is a member of the Madrigals and Tri-M, the musical honor society. She is also a member of the SCA cabinet and works in Junior Class activities. Marcia, recently initiated into the National Honor Society, is also a Keyette. She works on many of the drama department's Marcia Skalnik productions and is a member of the cast of "The Virtuous Island." She was chosen to participate on the television program, "Youth Wants to Know." Despite her many extracurricular activities, she still maintains an excellent academic record.

Our other Statesman of the Month, Steve Brisbane, is well known for his participation in sports. A member of the Letterman's Club, Steve played on both the varsity football and basketball teams this year and last, as well as the varsity baseball team last year. He also played football and basketball in his freshman and sophomore years.



Play Rerun April 21-22

By Melanie Phelps

The ghosts of Spoon River will again speak to GCM when Drama II presents "Spoon River Anthology," by Edgar Lee Masters. The play will be presented April 21-22 at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Tickets will go on sale for \$1, April 14, in homerooms and will also be sold at the door.

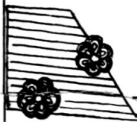
According to Mr. G. Mitchell Cobb, drama director, "Spoon River Anthology" is being presented again by popular request. "Not only have we received requests from GCM students who were unable to attend, but also faculty members of JEB Stuart and Madison High Schools want their English classes to see it."

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Letters
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Mr. Robert Evans watches as Senior Bob Sloper perfects his drafting skills.

Marshall's Drafting Boards Draw Vocational Draftsmen

By Gary Starlipper
Did you know that GCM is turning out future engineers and draftsmen? The drafting and design class, open to juniors and seniors, is a two-year course. It meets three periods a day, with students of the class having either three periods of drafting in the morning and regular

classes in the afternoon, or vice versa. Draftsmen take rough sketches and specifications furnished from an engineer, architect, or designer and translate them into completed plans used by skilled craftsmen to build the designed object.

Professional draftsmen generally specialize in some specific field of design. Most common of these fields are mechanical, electrical, aeronautical, structural, architectural, and topographical drafting.

"The course deals in basic design skills. It exposes the student to all types of drafting so that he may decide on which specific field he wishes to concentrate," says Mr. Robert Evans, drafting instructor.

Many graduates of the course can expect to earn from \$100 to \$150 per week. Others use the course as a springboard to higher engineering education.

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GCM French Students Win Trophy in Contest

How would you like to discuss television advertising for an hour in French?

Juniors Reggie Herbert, Kathy Oberg, Ruth Staley, and Linda Williamson did just that during the third annual Modern Language Tournament at the O'Connell High School recently. They won the first place trophy for French panel discussion. Linda and Kathy won first and second place respectively for individual panelists.

Melanie Lippincott, 12, John Boro- now, 11, Nancy Schoenberger, 11, Leslie Estancona, 10, and Natalie Misco, 10, placed high in the French poetry and prose section. They recited selections from several French masters. Joanna Warren, 11, entered

the students, who came from 16 area high schools, with French songs during an assembly.

Mrs. Laurie Williams, a GCM French teacher, who spent a good deal of time helping the students, said, "I was proud of all the students. They worked hard, and even stayed after school practicing. It was good for them scholastically, too. Some of them are now more exuberant about continuing with French."

The tournament consisted of competitions in three languages: French, Spanish, and German. Students could enter competition in poetry and prose, panel discussion, debate, and extemporaneous speech. All students who were not native speakers and had not lived in a country where the language was spoken were eligible to enter.

Gov't Period Let Loose

Ever dream of having a card that would serve as a permanent hall and library pass, and of being in a class that doesn't meet every day?

This dream has come true for the 27 seniors in Mr. Peter Moore's sixth period government class. These students are participating in an experimental instructional program in government during the second semester. The project, first of its kind in Fairfax County, was developed by Mr. Moore and Mr. T. Page Johnson, assistant principal for instruction, as a possible method for teaching all government classes.

The course is based on the theory that students can learn more when given freedom to work independently.

Mr. Moore explained, "It's hard to use every period constructively when the class meets for an hour a day, five days a week. This way the class does not meet every day — it may meet only once in a week." The rest of the time is spent doing individual research in the library, meeting with other students, or having individual or group conferences with Mr. Moore. Often he may meet with one part of the class while the others are working on their own.

"The flexibility of the schedule gives the students a greater opportunity to learn and to do in-depth research," Mr. Moore added.

The first project of the class was an investigation of the role of the President and his relationship with Congress. The class was divided into two committees which operated similarly to Congressional investigating committees. After researching its topic, each committee compiled a report based on this work, including conclusion reached during committee meetings. The reports were then discussed with the whole class in a situation similar to Congressional hearings.

Most of the students are enthusiastic about the project but are careful to point out that there is a lot of work involved. One girl remarked, "At first we may have goofed off because there was no one forcing us to work, but we settled down pretty quickly when we realized we had to get the work done."

Asked if he felt that the program was working, Mr. Moore replied, "So far I feel it is a success."

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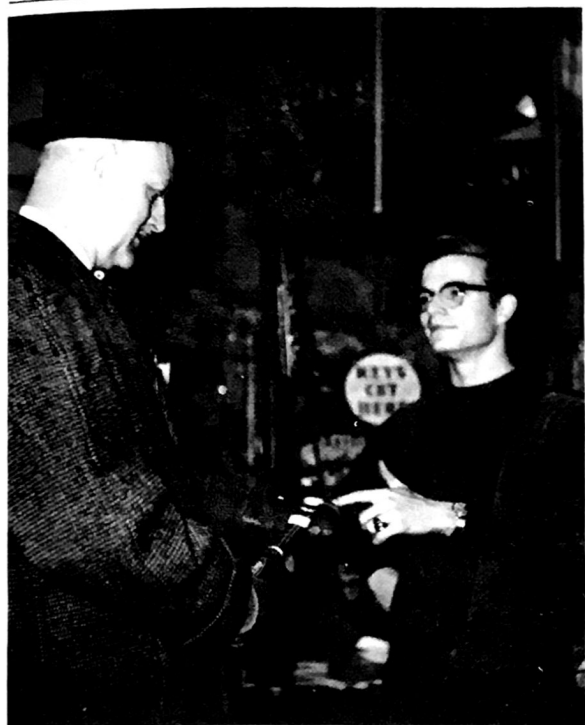


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Senior John Orpin plies his salesmanship trade at Boulevard Hardware in a practical application of his DE training.

Ambitious DE Students Master Jobs, Education

By Candy Coleman

If the Statesmen are five pounds heavier this month, it may be because 50 Distributive Education students are sponsoring a schoolwide candy drive to finance an employee-employer banquet.

GCM's Distributive Education Department, which allows students to attend high school classes in the morning and hold down a part-time afternoon job, hosts the annual banquet as the students' opportunity to show appreciation to their employers. The banquet, to be held May 9, will be at the Holiday Inn.

Students of the DE program may have good reason to want to get on their employers' good sides, as many of them stay with the same firm after graduation.

"Most employers are happy to hire a DE student," according to Mr. Patrick McAteer, DE teacher, "but the DE student must always be alert as he is also graded on his job performance."

The majority of the DE work is in the retail field. DE president John Orpin, 12, for instance, attends classes in art, government, English and DE before driving to the Boul-

vard Lumber Company, where he works from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Saturday as a clerk and delivery boy. After graduation, John plans on joining the Air Force.

In the meantime, however, John is receiving, as Mr. McAteer says, "the practical experience of on-the-job training."

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Cool It, Kids!

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By Becky Leet

"Cool it kids, we won't turn in anything the first day but everybody bring in their subscriptions the second day and we'll be the highest homeroom."

That was the strategy Mr. Ed Anderson laid out for homeroom 115 before the magazine drive began and his plan worked. The second day of the drive Mr. Anderson's homeroom collected \$313 — the largest single day turn in of any homeroom in the county.

"I got mad because I knew that last year upperclassmen got together and planned to bring in all their subscriptions on a certain day. So I thought we should let the freshmen show what they could do under the same system," he explained.

In all, Statesmen sold \$12,850 worth of subscriptions during this year's drive, earning "in the neighborhood of \$5000" for Marshall, according to Mr. Paul Frick, Curtis Publishing Company representative. Sharon Coakley, 11, sold \$150 worth of subscriptions, making her the highest single salesman in the school.

About 27 other Statesmen earned bonus prizes by selling at least \$50 in subscriptions. The most popular prizes were stuffed animals, nine were selected. Five students picked watches and five more, transistor radios. One

girl even chose an attaché case.

In addition to 350 "Post Pets," over 400 Marshall Mutts were earned, according to Mr. Frick, indicating that those students had sold at least double their seven dollar quota. Not all of the mutts have been received though, because the order has not arrived yet.

Actually, the Marshall Mutts were not supposed to be mutts this year, but scholars. When originally chosen by the SCA, the animals had glasses and were dubbed "Statesmen Scholars." However, the shipment arrived from the factory with no glasses on the pets. Mr. Frick said though, that the new shipment of mascots had glasses and the manufacturer included extra glasses for those students who wish to turn their Marshall Mutts into Statesmen Scholars.

The Freshman class led all others in total sales with \$4,276. Sophomores followed with \$3,932, Juniors had \$2,959, and the Seniors brought in the least, \$1,484.

Mr. Frick said Marshall brought in \$2000 more this year than last.

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Parting Blues Splits Couple

By Mike Cascio

The parting moment had come. Amidst the throng, a boy and girl clung desperately to one another. The "sweet sorrow" of parting had arrived.

"Must we go on with this hazardous arrangement?" asked the boy tenderly, caressing the girl.

Her answer was one of distinct sadness: "Someday, someday . . . It'll all be worked out."

"If we can just wait a little longer," he said. The boy kissed the girl, and began to leave. The sadness of the scene was climaxed by a semi-passionate embrace and some more touching words of comfort.

As he walked away, the couple fondly waved good-bye to each other. Just then the late bell rang.

All was silent in the halls of Marshall High.



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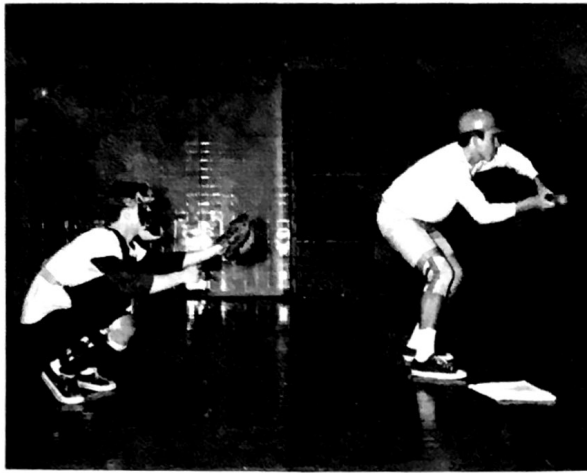
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Senior Mike Cardwell practices bunting during pre-season drills in the gym, while Tim Holberg, 10, catches behind the "plate."

Appleknockers Prepare For '67 Diamond Debut

"I feel that if we can play .500 ball and win some close games, the season will be very successful." So commented Marshall's varsity baseball coach, Mr. Norman Bradford, concerning the 1967 baseball season, opening April 5 against George Mason.

"This year will basically be a building year for us. With only five veterans, we must rely on juniors and sophomores," added Coach Bradford. Returning will be seniors Tom Tinsley, Ralph Owens, Mike Cardwell, and John Walton, and junior Steve Gardner.

According to Coach Bradford, pitching will definitely be the team's strong point. "Two years ago, the

team here was quite capable," said the coach. "I feel that the team this year is equal, if not better, than that team as far as pitching goes."

The pitching staff contains only one senior, Ralph Owens, and one junior, Jerri Brown. Sophomores make up the majority with Gary Roth, Jim Leister, and Greg Scott hurling for the varsity.

Will Overcome Inexperience

About the team's inexperience, Coach Bradford noted that "it is not really a weakness, but rather a disadvantage. Explaining, he said, "Close ball games often are decided on experience in different situations. This is where inexperience could affect the team."

As far as the other end of the battery is concerned, Coach Bradford is confident with his catching department. "Our number one catcher is Tim Holmberg, a sophomore. He is coming along real well and, although he has no previous varsity experience, we expect him to do a real good job."

Coach Bradford added that while the rest of the Potomac District will be quite competitive, "we have just as good and most likely better than most teams as far as potential is concerned. As for non-league games, we only play two."

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GCM Placed in New District

By Mike Cascio

The 1967-68 sports season will inaugurate a new plan of districting among Northern Virginia schools, limiting Marshall sports competition to teams in Fairfax County. Starting in September, Marshall will become part of a new Potomac District. Washington-Lee, Yorktown, Wakefield, and Stuart will bow out of the present Potomac District setup.

Marshall's new district will contain the following teams in the fall:

Marshall
Madison
Langley
McLean
Falls Church

In 1968, Herndon High, presently a Class 1-B school, and the new Oakton High will join the Potomac District, while Falls Church will move into the Northern District. In other words, all of Marshall's local rivals will be in the same district.

Mr. Everett Cloud, football coach, praised the plan. "I think it's great. But from our schedule standpoint, we won't be playing anybody different than last year, except we'll play Falls Church instead of W-L. Different games, however, will count on our district record. This gives us a better shot at the title."

Previously, Madison and Falls

Church were in the Northern District.

Other Districts

Four districts will compose the Northern Virginia 1-A League in September, one more than previous years. The Alexandria District will become the Arlington-Alexandria District, and a new Mt. Vernon District will contain schools such as West Springfield and Groveton. The only new addition to the Northern District will be JEB Stuart.

New schools, such as Greenbriar and Reston, which are in the planning stage, have been placed according to their location and will be admitted upon their completion. Any other teams, George Mason High was cited, wishing to partici-

pate in 1-A competition will have to join the Arlington-Alexandria District.

The complicated plan brings schools into a more natural grouping and eliminates many technical problems as well.

Principal Key Figure

Mr. John T. Broadus, Marshall principal, was a member of the re-districting committee. He said that the new grouping will be the last for Northern Virginia. (The old Northern Virginia 1-A League was split into three districts two years ago.)

"This new alignment gets all the county schools under the control of the Fairfax County School Board," Mr. Broadus noted.

Sports Spotlight

Bradford Proves Image As Versatile Teacher

By John Flynn

Leo Durocher, considered a top baseball expert, made the classic remark that "nice guys finish last." However expert Durocher may be, it seems he has overlooked such people as "Marshall's Mentor," Mr. Norman Bradford.

what condition a player is in." As for mental preparation, Coach Bradford has a more or less unique method.

"I have a notebook in which I have saved various baseball situations. In baseball, there are approximately 7,000 different situations. We try to go over some of these frequently in the spring to acquaint the boys to be at the right place at the right time."

Coach Bradford noted that many boys have a misconception of high school baseball. "In earlier years, boys play Little League, Babe Ruth, etc. However, Group 1-A competition is genuinely tough, and sets the pace for the boys' future baseball endeavors. Some boys leave varsity baseball with \$30,000 or \$40,000 bonus offers."

Coach Bradford's philosophy on baseball reflects only a part of his desires as a teacher and a coach. "I care whether we win or lose, but most of all I try to get my boys a college education through baseball," stressed the coach. He pointed out that last year, five out of the seven seniors on the squad received full scholarships. "To me, this is the most important factor."



Coach Bradford

In the fall, Coach Bradford is head of the Statesman varsity football defensive unit. Under his stern auspices, the Marshall defense often took charge of the gridiron battles. One example is this year's Marshall-Langley game in which the defense thwarted Langley and scored two touchdowns and a safety in the 28-0 victory.

During the school year, Coach Bradford instructs physical education classes. He makes the classroom instruction (health) interesting and humorous, and is able to get his point across with frank and logical reasoning.

With the baseball season up-and-coming, Coach Bradford commented about his coaching methods for spring and in-season drills. "In spring training," noted the coach, "we, of course, stress physical condition. We generally see, through running sprints,

Tennis Squad Hosts Opener

April 10 marks the start of Marshall's tennis season. The GCM racquet squad, trying for another excellent season, will open against O'Connell at home.

On this year's 18-man team, six are returnees. Leading them are key lettermen Don DeWilde, 12, and Bob Wood, 12. Although DeWilde suffered a broken ankle earlier in the year, he will be ready for the first match.

"Last year's 8-1 record should be equalled," said DeWilde. "We lost five of our top seven men, but the underclassmen have developed tremendously and we should have another great year."

Mr. John Gouldin, tennis coach, has the same optimistic viewpoint. "All look pretty good in practice and there have been no cuts," says Coach Gouldin. "They all seem very enthusiastic about their tennis." The coach predicts "a clean sweep in our first six matches."

Ladder System Used

In the unique tennis ladder system, the players are rated comparatively according to their records in intersquad challenges during practice. The boys play two matches a week and one over the week-end. In a challenge, a player attempts to take a higher position on the ladder. He may challenge any teammate not more than three notches above him.

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