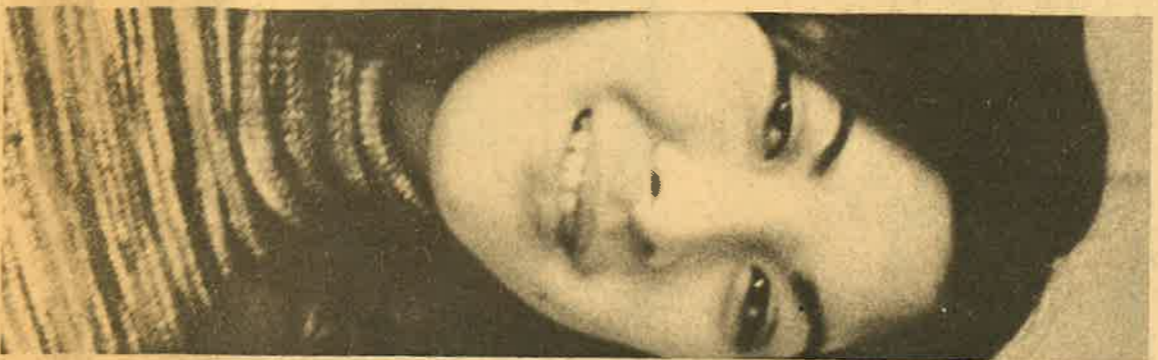


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From left to right the princesses are: "boy-watcher" Roseann Hudspeth; "pesimist" Myra Kumagae; "senior Hippie" Pam Wright (top); "electric smile" Leslie Young; "shrinking violet" Marcie Brammer; "athlete" Mono Granillo (top); and "prize-fighter" Gloria Joicus.

## WSF Princesses expose personality, character

When the winter wind whisk around BHS so does Winter Sports Festival exposing the prominent personalities of the princesses. This year's WSF court has personality traits ranging from a boy-watcher and a shrinking violet, from a "hippie" to an athlete, and includes a pesimist, "prize-fighter", and a girl with an electrical smile.

Our self-acclaimed "pesimist" princess, Myra Kumagae (senior), is known for her active interests in CSF, Modern Dance, and other scholastic activities. But Myra's true interests lie in Fine Arts, which she hopes to major in at the University of California at Irvine. Her creative outlets began to develop in Jr. High when she designed clothes with Teresa Wells, playing the piano and singing. "Myra is a very outgoing person, especially in Service projects with Campus Beautification, and in CSF which she has been a member of for seven semesters." Rodney George, Myra's escort is also active in school activities, and is enthused about the idea of being an escort and is anxious about the idea of getting his picture in the annual.

Princess Pam Wright, sometimes known as the senior class "hippie", is also an active senior in CSF. She gained her nickname because she is often found attending concerts and has even been found attending Love-Ins. Pam, an outgoing, happy-go-lucky person is always out for a good time. As an active member of the ASB cabinet, Pam is Secretary of Activities and has done much of the work

"Pam is a complete extrovert," states one of Pam's close friends. Aside from the fact that she is a member of the Cabinet, Pam also enjoys Modern Dance and likes to sew. Pam's escort will be Tom Rice.

The princess with the "electric smile" is Leslie Young. Often times known as the "Dear Abby" of the junior class, Leslie is also interested in Modern Dance. "That's the one way I can really express my true personality", states Leslie. "Crazy". If princess Leslie could best be described in three words they would be crazy, helpful and considerate... in that order. Leslie has a reputation by the members of her class as a person who is easy to talk to and will give advice to all those who come to her with their problems, thus she got the nick name "Dear Abby (Leslee)".

Leslee, nominated by GAA likes all sports and is an active participant in after school sports. Her escort for the affair will be Milt Davis, a 1970 graduate of BHS.

Senior Princess Roseann Hudspeth aside from the fact that she also considers herself "Kinda Crazy" states that one of her main hobbies is (or was) boy-watching. She is also very active in Modern Dance and is the student director of the dance show, along with Debbie Collins.

Roseann is very active in school activities and aside from being head song leader she is involved in

Gloria Joicus, the 'Prize-Fighter' on pep squad has been known to get into many a hassle over anyone degrading the BHS name. Especially if they should happen to come from Excelsior! Gloria is active in many of the clubs on campus and is president of Track Boosters and Pep Club.

Princess Gloria, nominated by Pep Club, enjoys having a good time, going grubby and just being herself. Her escort will be John Dedic, a wrestler and member of the varsity football team.

Mona Granillo is our "athletic" princess, being active in most sports in GAA and GAO. She is on the Girls Varsity Volleyball and Basketball teams. Mona is also a fervent supporter of the Biology Club and Drill Team. "She is a friendly and outgoing person," states one friend and her participation in school activities leads her up the aisle as a Queen hopeful. Mona is supported by Biology and will be escorted by Ken Caldwell.

Drill team is also a main part of the life and personality of Princess Marcie Brammer, as she is captain and an active officer. Her shy and soft spoken personality would best acclaim her the title of a "shrinking violet", although with her close friends she is friendly and talkative.

Marcy is very excited about the prospect of being a princess and likes the idea of it being a formal affair.

In spite of her nervousness, Marcy (sponsored by

# Slop slingers put students in danger

by sarah carr

Bellflower High School recently witnessed its fifth major food fight that sent hundreds of students covering under tables in a desperate attempt to keep flying chocolate pudding from dribbling in their hair or spaghetti slithering down their spines.

The small percentage of students who get a thrill out of hurling food substances across the cafeteria, regardless of who or what is in the line of fire, present a grave danger.

Everyone should have the right to do their own thing, as long as it doesn't infringe on the rights of others. These food fights obviously take away the rights of the other students who wish to eat in the cafeteria.

The student who eats in the cafeteria takes his life into his own hands. He's taking the chance that expensive clothing may be ruined, or that he may receive a plate in eye or a chair in the head.

Participants in food fights are hazardous to the health of the other diners. These slop slingers could heed the suggestion that they cease slinging slop before someone is seriously injured.

Consequently, the administration will take whatever measures are necessary to stop this repulsive display of childish immaturity, including immediate suspension.

Students loudly protest the presence of adult supervision in the cafeteria, but if it weren't for this supervision, the situation would be completely out of control. Students can never expect to obtain greater freedoms on campus until they begin to show some responsibility and capability to keep their animal instincts under control.

## Teachers urged to issue passes

by melissa playlock

With the arrival of a new administration this year, Bellflower has been the accompanying arrival of more effective communication. But, cooperation between administrators and teachers, not only between students and teachers, is necessary to insure the correct functioning of the school.

Repeatedly, the administration has asked teachers to issue passes to students who have some unrelenting reasons to leave classes. But just as often as requests have gone out, they have also been ignored.

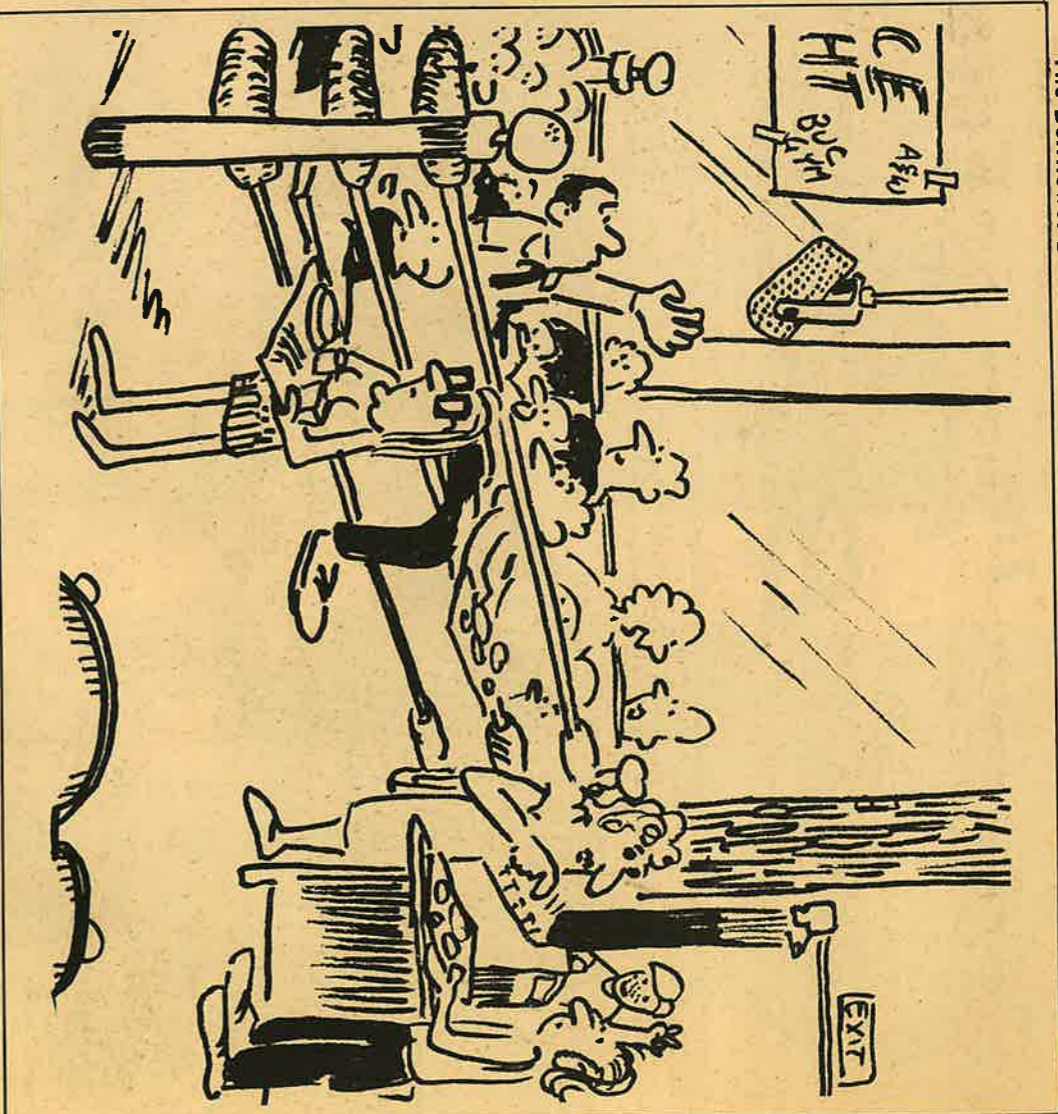
Therefore, students continually roam the halls freely, creating loud, distracting disturbances along their merry paths. This results in locked halls and broken bladders, about which students complain as violation of their constitutional rights.

Teachers can be heard continually bellowing about the noise in the halls. "Let's go to curly Jones," can be heard echoing down the 100 wing about second period everyday. But, if the pass-system were employed, the constant stream of complaints could end, along with the perpetual racket in the halls.

These same teachers manage to gripe at students for refusing to cooperate with them, but under similar circumstances many teachers obviously refuse to cooperate with the forward-moving administration.

Another noise-oriented problem complained about by teachers is the annoyance that takes place during fourth period when the lunch-eaters trudge to their lockers during the other fourth-period's class time.

This controversial issue could be eradicated, although it may take some computer programming, by simply assigning lockers



## Letters to the Editor

### Students rip BLADE, traditions

To the Editor:

I disagree with Sarah Carr, in her article concerning Class cutters' and curriculum. She stated that students "are cutting classes, giving reasons that they are tired of classes that are boring and irrelevant." This may be true in a few cases, but just a few. I would say that a student that cuts class is just revealing that he is lazy.

Connie Emerick  
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To the Editor:

I agree with Sarah Carr, wholeheartedly, concerning her story about boring classes and the present grading system. I consider myself to be of more than average intelligence, yet I sit through English and History classes that would be an insult to a sixth grader. With situations such as this, is it really surprising that students cut classes?

Sandra Martinez  
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To the Editor:

I think that Debra Roy's article concerning bras is the most tasteless, unhumorous bit of garbage ever attributed to the female sex. How can the BLADE allow such crude offensive articles to be printed? The BLADE must be awfully hard up for topics to report on when they print stories concerning people's underwear.

Diane Parker  
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To the Editor:

Christmas caroling, singing valentines, and

## Movie Review

### 'Little Big Man'—portrait of truth

by sarah carr

Little Big Man professes to be the memoir of a 121-year-old frontiersman named Jack Crabb, who in the course of his wanderings in the Old West personally experienced most of the stuff we have made into legends, including the battle of the Little Big Horn, of which Jack Crabb claims to be the sole survivor.

Captured by Indians as a little boy, and captured by the whites as an adolescent, Jack Crabb is a man with easy access to two worlds, but with a home in neither. Related by blood to the whites, who are pictured as being basically insane, yet drawn to, by personal taste to the Indians, who are pictured exhibiting a great deal of sanity throughout the movie, he

the flurries of excitement that accompany both Homecoming and Winter Sports Festival weeks, tend to successfully disrupt classes and bring a lull to the goal of being crammed with education. This is fine, most students appreciate having a few days to goof around and forget the seriousness of acquiring an education. But, what about the remainder of the students who aren't interested in these neat little activities and would much rather be dismissed from school than be subjected to such gross trivialities?

Beth Bustrum  
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To the Editor:

I think that students that participate in such things as the ecology walk to Seal Beach are great. But, when I look at the BHS campus, I wonder if these people are for real. Before we work on cleaning up areas outside of the community, it seems like someone would tackle the trash problem on campus. And if the trash can't be kept off the campus, I seriously doubt that areas outside of the community can be cleaned up either.

Dean Patterson  
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(The BLADE welcomes expressions of all viewpoints from its readers. Letters should be brief and are subject to condensation. Only signed letters will be published. All letters should be taken to room 307 or given to any staff member.)

Clever, yet strangely innocent, Jack Crabb can only tell the truth about what he saw. It's doubtful that the truth he speaks of could possibly do much good, for as Old Lodge Skin, his adoptive father says "the white men live in straight lines and squares", proof that they are too far gone to be helped even by the truth.

The biggest disappointment in the movie is the portrayal of Custer, the maddest of the (usually) mad military personnel. His last stand is neither accurate nor dramatic as it could be.

Dustin Hoffman is fantastic in the title role, and although the movie isn't the first in which

# Class-cutters lazy, not protesting curriculum

A recent Blade editorial by Sarah Carr expressed the opinion that class-cutting was justified, because the students who cut class were simply expressing the opinion that classes were meaningless and that no real learning was taking place.

This feeling, that breaking the rules is justified because the rules are wrong, is all too common among today's young people. Sometimes such a justification exists, but all too often this type of reasoning is simply used as an excuse so that common criminals can claim that what they are doing when they break the law is right.

The editorial takes the position that students today are cutting class because they feel that present methods of teaching are blocking communication and actually hindering the learning process. Now,

it may be true in a few cases that this is why students are cutting class, but the average student, if he cuts class, does so because he is just plain lazy. This type of person would be "dissatisfied" with any type of curriculum which meant that he had to do work of any kind.

It is for this type of person that the rules against cutting class exist, and it is because of this type of person that it is necessary to have the so-called "BHS hired assassins."

The worst and most incorrect assumption that the editorial makes however, is that no effort is being made by the administration to improve the curriculum at BHS, and that there are no lines of communication open between students and administrators on the subject of curriculum. The effort is being

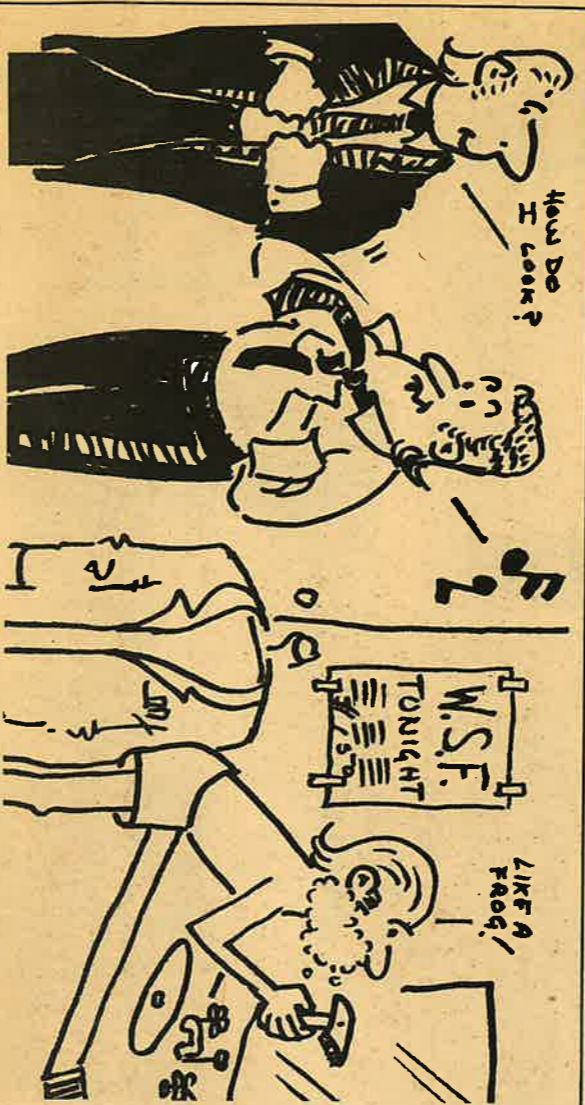
by scott lonsdown

made, and the lines of communication are open. As Assistant Principal Gerene Torres, who is in charge of curriculum at BHS, put it, "A great deal of time and effort has been spent this year by both students and teachers reviewing curriculum and instruction. Some of the good creative ideas expressed by students have already been implemented." Dr. Torres went on to say that she was already meeting with student committees, and that she would be happy to include on those committees any class cutter who has a meaningful opinion to express as far as school curriculum goes.

Along these same lines is a proposal made by BHS principal Dr. Arthur Townley, for several very meaningful curriculum changes to take place next year. These proposals include the shortening

of classes, putting a greater emphasis on vocational education, and shortening the number of English and history classes required for graduation. As part of the implementation of the proposal, the students will be asked for their opinions and suggestions concerning it.

Thus, it can very definitely be seen that an effort is being made by the administration to improve the curriculum here at BHS, and that any student who made half an effort to express an opinion would be paid attention to. So, if there has been no communication between class cutters, and administrators it has not been the fault of the administration but, the fault of the class cutter who, as has already been said, are not protesting anything beyond the fact that they are being required to do some work.



## WSF escort contemplates attire

by phyllis hill

With the onset of Winter Sports Week the lucky girls chosen as princesses excitedly face the all-important question: What to wear. But has anyone ever considered how the escort feels in all this rush of preparation?

Take for instance Right-on-Roger. Cathy Coed has just asked him to be her escort for the Winter Sports game and dance. The first thought to pop into mind is the question, "should I?" But no boy turns down a chance like that, especially when it will get his picture in the annual, so after condescendingly agreeing he is then faced with the most important question of all: what to wear. He does so much want his mother to be proud of him.

After rushing home to the milk and cookies snack left out for him by his mother, he retires to his bedroom and critically inspects his wardrobe. After all, this is not a decision to be taken lightly. There are many factors to consider.

"Hm," he ponders, "maybe the brown velvet flairs and the maroon vest

would . . . no, no. That would clash with Cathy's red dress. Well, then, maybe the chattrouse silk shirt with the funky, wide, magenta tie. No, that won't do either. Magenta has a tendency to turn pink under those harsh gym lights."

After a lot of soul searching and heart-to-heart discussion with his mother, Right-on-Roger selected the boa constrictor snakeskin pants with the leather laces up the sides, the white ruffled Tom Jones shirt with embroidered flowers and a matching snakeskin headband to hold back his long curly tresses that he intended to set with his mothers neat electric rollers.

Satisfied with his choice, he called Cathy Coed to talk over the details. A few minutes later his horrified voice could be heard throughout the house.

"You mean I'll be down there all alone on that court with just you?" he gasped. "I'm sorry Cathy, but I think you'd better ask someone else to be your escort. I'm not getting out there in front of all those people without my mother!"

## Post-quake jitters

Laying calmly in bed, a sudden swaying sensation grips you. You glance, with panic, at your dresser where all your knick-knacks are waddling towards the brink of falling onto the floor. With the alertness that comes with sudden awakening you realize that what you are experiencing is an earthquake and you wonder to yourself, "Is this the big one?"

The fear of the dreaded 'big one' may stem from the tales parents have spun about the Long Beach quake in 1932. This disaster hit 6.3 on the Richter scale, destroyed numerous buildings and killed many.

"Why, I stood on our front porch and just watched buildings crumble!" were the remarks of one survivor of the 1932 catatrophe.

Following the Long Beach shake-up, people became aware of the necessity of new construction laws. Bricks soon became an outmoded building material and re-enforcements were stated as mandatory according to revised construction legislation.

Last week's recent trembler shook the Richter scale to 6.5, but the aftermath was not half as bad as its predecessor. The Field Act of 1933 stated that schools had to be built almost "earthquake proof" because of this most Southern California schools withstood the recent shaker excellently.

But because of the San Fernando - centered quake four schools have been closed temporarily. Alas, Bellflower High was not one

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## What's going on? Campus clubs 'news aggregate

Although there is often competition between the service clubs on campus in their week-end football games, they also know how to work together and get a job done, as was shown in recent weeks when they put in 110 hours of labor in an effort to improve the campus.

LEO Club, KEY Club, INTERACT and members of the parent organizations for each of these three clubs installed redwood headers around all the planters and flower beds on campus. This work was accomplished under the direction of Mr. LARRY BOYLE.

Another of the new improvements on campus was the manufacture and addition of the four concrete benches located near the spirit walk. These were built and donated to the campus by Key Club and its adviser Mr. JOHN MORGAN.

The service clubs have done a lot in improving BHS and making new additions on campus, and their efforts are appreciated. Aside from the service clubs, other clubs have done some noteworthy things.

GIRLS LEAGUE recently held its annual spring fashion show. This year's show was sponsored by May Company of Lakewood. Fashions were modeled by members of the May Company Teen Board with CATHY SISTRUNK, Bellflowers' representative, describing the fashions.

Home Economics Club's KATHY MADSEN has been awarded Bellflower High's 1971 Betty Crocker' Homememaker of 'Tomorrow' title. Kathy was selected for her performance in a written knowledge and attitude examination, administered to senior girls on December 1. She will receive a specially designed award from General Mills, sponsor of the annual education program. Additionally, she is now eligible for state and national honors, including one of 102 college scholarships totaling \$10,000.

The Betty Crocker Search for the American Homememaker of 'Tomorrow' is the only national scholarship program exclusively for high school senior girls. The national first place winner gets a \$5,000 college grant.

## Attitudes of youth probed by magazine

"What's Right and What's Wrong With America," a new Seventeen Magazine survey conducted on 2,000 boys and girls across the nation, has revealed the attitudes of today's youth toward the world they live in.

Seventeen's survey dealt with such major issues as pollution, abortion laws, the voting age, forced military service, campus demonstrations, legalization of marijuana, Womens Lib., and the Presidency of 1972.

Pollution was proved as being a major concern with young people as "96% believe that tougher laws should be placed upon industry, and a surprising 27.8% would give up the use of a car to curb pollution."

A surprising 56.8% reject the legalization of Marijuana, while 61.4% believe that abortion laws should be less strict. Today's young people strongly favor lowering the voting age to 18 (82.5%) and a completely voluntary service in the armed forces, (67.1%). "Campus demonstrations will not end after fighting in Vietnam stops, and 51.3% say that demonstrations have definitely had an effect in changing the course of the war."

Womens Liberation has youth support, as 49.5% of boys and 52.1% of girls state that women do not have equal rights with men, and 68.1% would vote for a qualified woman for President.

Young people see the 1972 Presidential Election this way: Edward Kennedy is top choice with 20.9% of the vote, Richard Nixon is a close second with 19% of the vote and Eugene McCarthy is third with 12.7%. Kennedy favored in High Schools by 24.8%, College students favor McCarthy with 19.9%, and President Nixon is favored in the south with 34.4%.

# Dancers prepare for approaching season

For the majority of the school year the Modern Dance Department is rarely heard from and even less often seen. All the average student sees of the dancers is an occasional glimpse of a leotarded figure scurrying to and from the gym carrying a record player.

But in spite of their rare appearance in public, it is not a sign of inactivity. The Modern Dance Department is one of the largest and busiest in the school. Under the direction of Dance Teacher Mrs. Karen Deffner, the dancers (roughly 60 juniors and 25 seniors) spend their class time exercising, learning techniques and creating original dances. In addition to work in the classroom, the dancers spend many hours practicing after school.

All those hours of practice have another purpose besides just the fun of dancing. The practice hours are lead-

ing up to two dance shows during the school year.

On Feb. 28, the Bellflower Modern Dancers will be participating in a dance show at Fullerton Junior College. Bellflower will be among 10 schools represented and will have 20 minutes to contribute to the show. Bellflower girls will be presenting five dances in that time.

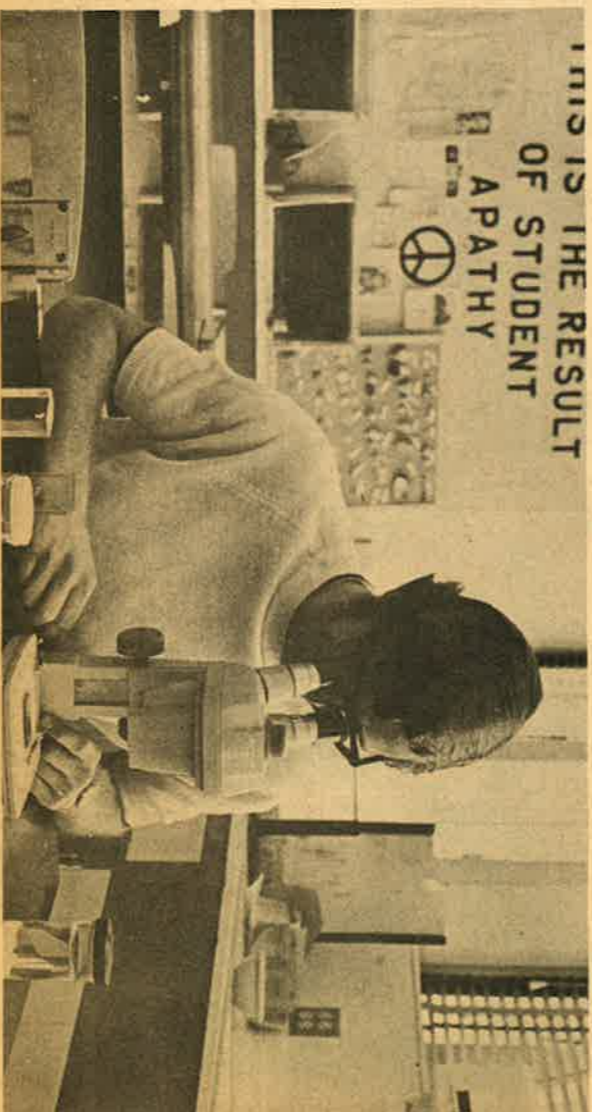
But the main event of the year will be the Bellflower Modern Dance show on May first and second. This event is not shared with any other school. It is created and performed entirely by the Modern Dancers at Bellflower High.

It all adds up to a lot of time-consuming hard work, but all dancers make the effort and with amazing consistency continue to present entertaining and stimulating dance shows.



Dave Rozelle's happy outlook on life is reflected in his smile, as shown in the picture at left. At right, Dave exhibits some of the diligence that led to his 4.0 grade point average and score of 800 on the SAT test.

(Douglas Stern Photos)



## Rozelle: Brain of BHS campus

by Richard Pekelder

Ask any senior at BHS who is the brain on campus and they will probably reply, "Dave Rozelle."

Dave recently distinguished himself by achieving a perfect score of 800 in math on the Scholastic Aptitude Test—a feat matched by only one other BHS student in 1954. "I've always done well in math, having a record of straight A's in this subject," Dave stated.

Dave, who will graduate with a 3.90 average, has been a member of CSF for seven semesters and will probably make Phi Beta Kappa, an honor reserved for students who make CSF all 8 semesters of high school.

As well as achieving academic success, Dave has obtained other honors. Having been in Boy Scouts for 7 years, he received his Eagle Award, Scoutings highest honor. Dave extends his scouting interests by participating in a flying Explorer group called "Flight 89" which he helped originate. "Some guys in our scout troop were interested in learning to fly," explained Dave. "So we organized this Explorer troop and got a pilot to teach flight instruction. It takes up a lot of

my time but I really enjoy it," he added. Church activities are also a part of Dave Rozelle's life. He has been president of his youth group for many years and now serves as chairman of the youth council. He also has donated many summers as a counselor at church and boy scout camps.

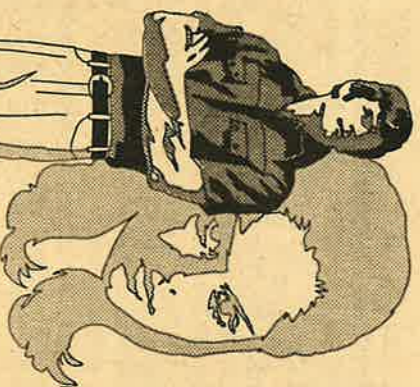
At school Dave serves as president of Math Club and treasurer of Interact, a club Dave says he is proud of, having been a member for all four years of high school.

In athletics, tennis is the name of the game for this scholarly fellow. Dave earned the title of "most valuable JV singles player" on the team. He also earned a spot in league competition by placing second in the JV singles competition. According to tennis coach, Joe Bott, Dave should place high on the varsity squad this season.

Future goals for Dave include hopes of going to the University of California at Berkeley to study engineering, a desire he had all through high school.

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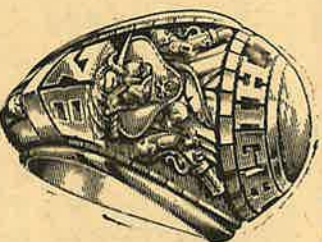
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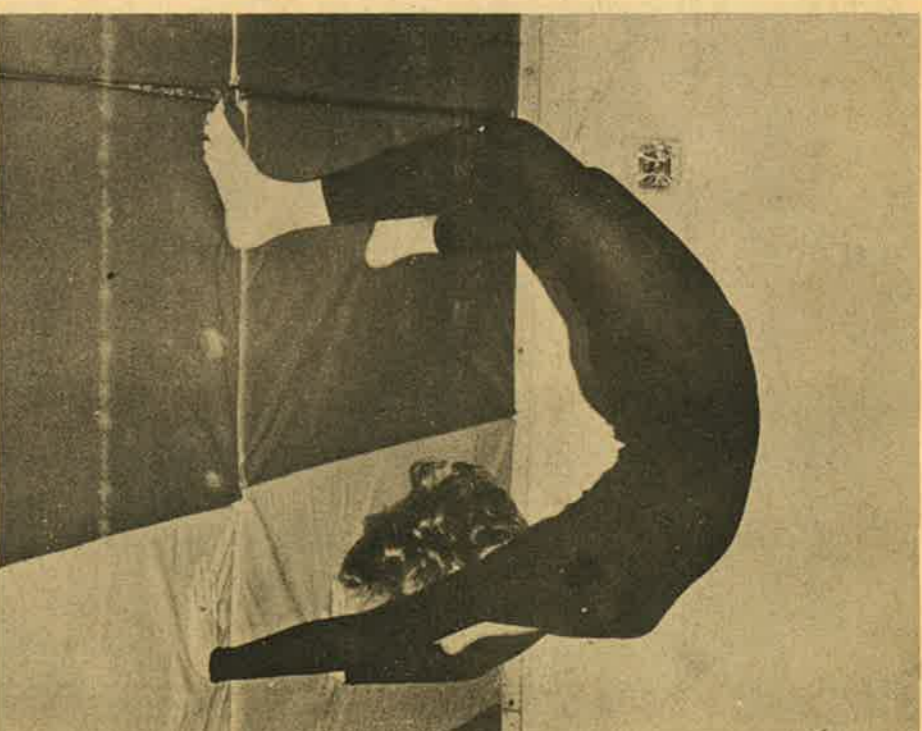


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## Sun-up gymnastic class turns girls into early birds

by Jeannette Anderson

Every morning at precisely 7 a.m., one can see, by visiting the east wing of the gym, a large variety of "Early Birds" up for their fling with gymnastics.

Under the direction of the biggest feathered friend of them all, Mrs. Dorothy Gargan, they can be seen practicing stunts that vary from simple somersaults to trampoline springing to walk-overs.

There are over 50 varieties of Early Birds, the dove being fairly common. She can be seen doing her usual trick of rolling up into a little ball and then diving across the floor.

Then there is the ostrich who spends most of her time on her head, trying to stand on it.

She's almost as bad as the hummingbird who tries to defy gravity by springing on a trampoline and attempting to sustain herself in mid-air. Somehow she just never seems to make it.

The puffbird and owl always hang around together and when cuckoo Gargan tries to coerce them into trying a new stunt, owl immediately replies, "WHO, me?" while puffbird stand determinedly with her swollen head and refuses. Of course there are two birds, Toucan and Pelican, who will try anything. It seems they're always the center of the show, for when nobody else can do a difficult stunt, like the bird nest, Tou and Pelican.

By the time this week's class is over, most of the tufted tumblers should be able to perform

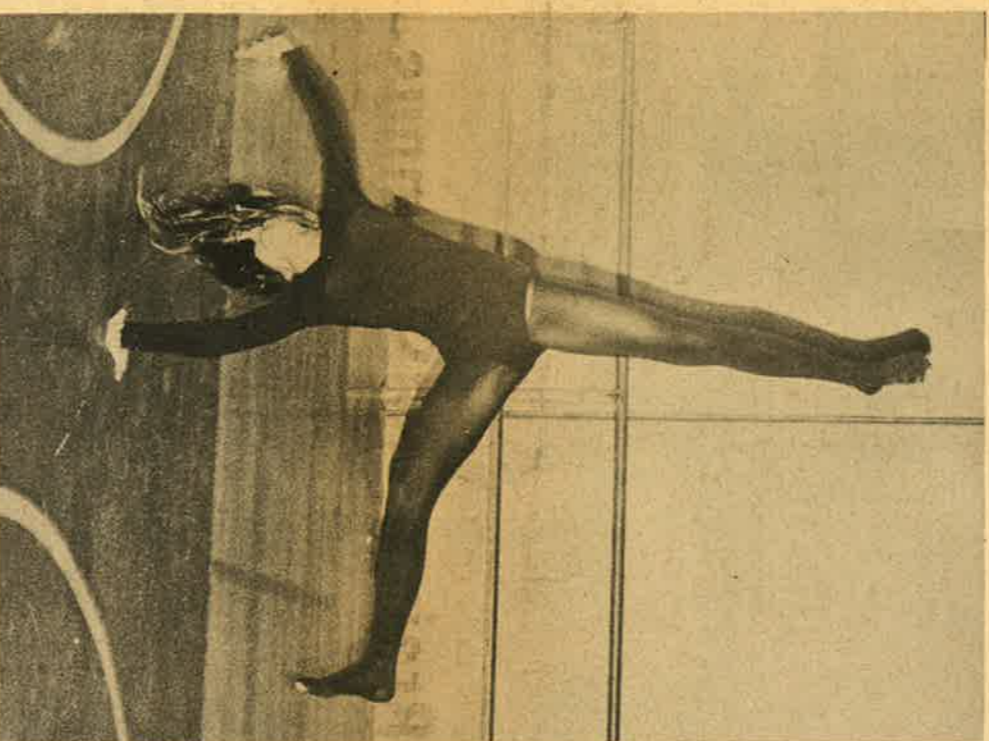
semi-difficult stunts like rolling, diving, flipping, jumping, spinning, balancing, pulling, pushing and most of all, stretching. Those who complete the course will receive GAA credits for one quarter.

The feathered friends will eventually use the rings, horses, mats, trampoline and bars. Some of the planned stunts to be learned are head stands, hand stands, bird's nests, splits, elephant rolls, somersaults in mid-air, back bends and much more.

Each morning is started out with about 15 minutes of stretching and warm-up exercises. Upon entry of Mrs. Gargan, everyone sits at attention awaiting instruction of a new stunt. After one Early Bird is used as a guinea pig to demonstrate that day's stunt and the group is finished gaping at the impossible-looking feat, they spread out all over the floor and begin practicing their stunts that need working on in groups of two, three or four.

Not only do the Early Birds learn how to perform semi-difficult stunts, they also learn an even more important skill, spotting. In spotting every girl is taught where to stand while watching a stunt. They must also know where and how to push or hold the person in order to prevent broken bones, sprained necks, or torn muscles.

Although most of the stunts are fairly simple, when it comes to doing the famed walk-overs (a hand stand continued to a back bend and then brought up into a standing position), most of the Early Birds prove to be turkeys.



Pictures on this page illustrate some of the feats being learned by the gymnastic class. In the picture above, Collette Viera demonstrates a cartwheel. At top, two other students show front rolls and back bends. (Douglas Stern Photos)

## Ecology Club sets goals

The cry of "save our earth" goes out across America and answering this call in mass are students concerned about their future.

Bellflower proves to be no exception as an ecology committee has sprung forth from the ranks. The committee, started by Rick Pekkelder and sponsored by Mr. Larry Boyle and Miss Barbara Douglas as a special branch of Campus Beautification, drew up a set of goals two months ago, which, according to Rick, are becoming a reality.

The primary goal of the committee is the reclamation of glass bottles and aluminum cans from the community. These items will be taken to be recycled to help prevent needless waste and added pollution.

Another project under reclamation is the collecting of notebook paper on campus. "We learned that one ton of reclaimed paper can save 17 trees from being butchered and we decided that too much paper on this campus was being wasted," states Rick. "Our solution is to place cardboard boxes in each classroom for students to throw their used paper in. Key Club has volunteered its help to collect the paper."

Future projects for the ecology committee include an Earth Week, which will feature speakers, films and displays. The Earth Week, which will be held the last week of April, will be climaxed by an ecology walk from Bellflower High to the beach. "From the walk we hope to raise money, get publicity, and clean up littered areas," Rick explained.



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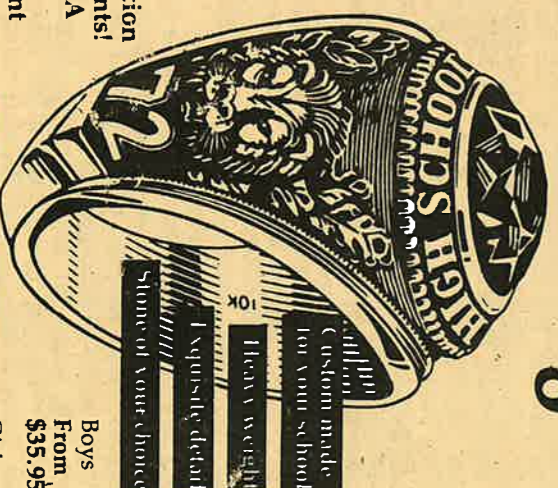
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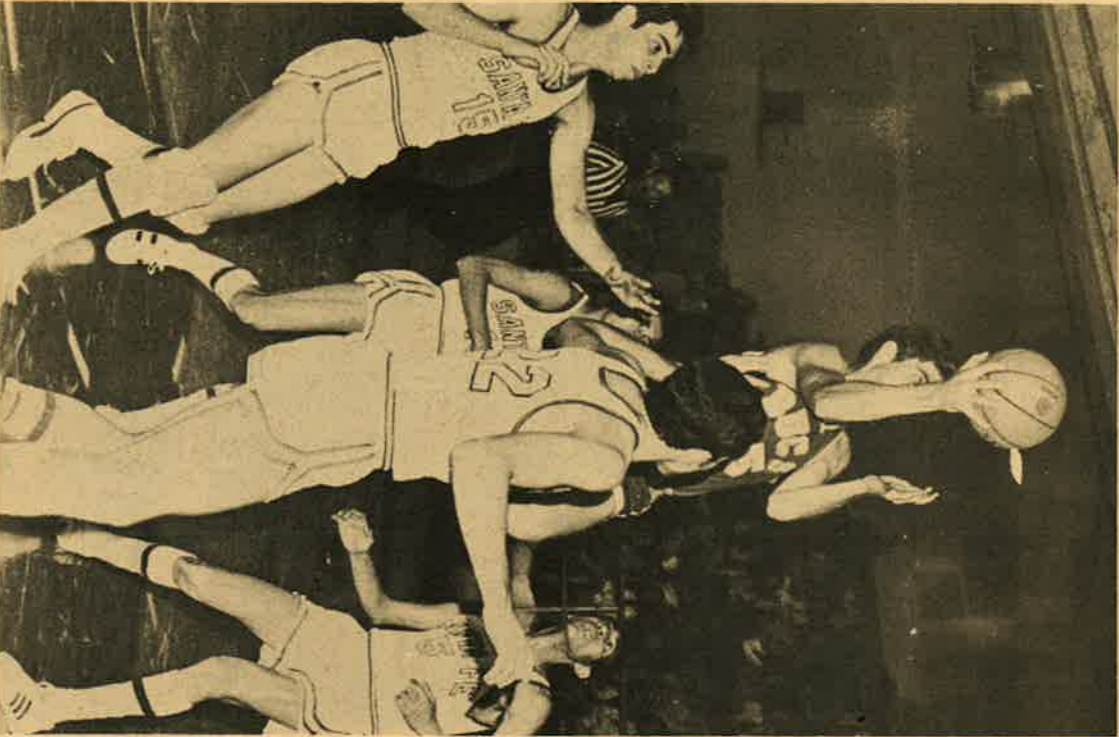
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Guard Phil Weinberg, caught in the middle of four Santa Fe players, attempts lay-up at right, while Jim Hamilton, below, shoots behind John Garland's screen. Bucs cinched tie for first with victory.

(Douglas Stern Photo)

# SGVL cage title decided this week

by dave weilinga

By posting victories over Excelstior and Santa Fe High Schools last week, Bellflower's Varsity basketball squad extended their consecutive win streak to eight games and assured themselves of at least a tie for first place in San Gabriel Valley League competition. Going into battle with California, the Buccaneers needed only to dispose of the Condors yesterday or the Lynwood Knights tomorrow night to hold top honors for themselves. Both contests are to be played in the Buc gym.

Forward Jerry Pabbruwe has emerged as a star in Bellflower's last two victories. He totally dominated the meeting with Excelstior scoring 23 points and hauling down 11 rebounds en route to a 72-62 Buc conquest. Midway through the third quarter the game was still up for grabs as the Pilots came within one point, 35-34. However, the persistent Buccaneer cagers ripped off six straight points and at the close of the third stanza were ahead 52-39.

The Bucs totally dominated the closing quarter increasing their lead to 15 points with 5:27 to play. With 3:34 remaining it was still a 13 point bulge.

Other fine individual performances were turned in by guard Dan Davidson who totalled 15 points and center John Garland who snared 13 rebounds. Phil Weinberg chipped in with five assists. From the free-throw line the Bucs were sensational, hitting 32 of 40, an 80% clip.

Pabbruwe also sparked the 78-53 trouncing of Santa Fe's Chiefs scoring 12 points from the field and hitting 8 out of 8 from the free throw line.

Contrary to the first meeting between the schools that the Bucs pulled out 64-60, the Chiefs never really were in the game. Scoring, rebounding and passing furiously the Bucs forced Santa Fe to a time out before two minutes had elapsed. The brief rest did little to help the Chiefs, however, as the Buc "G" outscored their opponents 15-4 to hold a 21-11 first quarter advantage.

Dan Davidson and Keith Thomas provided the second period scoring punch as Bellflower increased its lead early and then played evenly with the Chiefs for the remainder of the half holding a 40-24 lead at intermission.

The Buc's play early in the third quarter was spectacular and after 52 seconds Santa Fe called a time out. Midway through the period Bellflower's squad had to endure a mild charge by the Chiefs. However, they recovered and enjoyed a comfortable 58-42 lead at the close of the third stanza.

Fouls highlighted the final quarter of play as Santa Fe made a last-gasp effort to salvage a victory. But with their brilliant play the Bucs systematically tore the Chiefs apart.

Besides Pabbruwe, Bellflower had two other players score in double figures, Dan Davidson with 14 and forward Jim Hamilton with 10. Substitutes Randy Cox and Keith Thomas contributed nine and eight points respectively while Phil Weinberg came through with nine points and ten assists.

Bellflower's JV team, trailing Cal by three games, appear to be on their way to a second place finish while the Bees and Ceas are both tied for the number one spot. The Bees are deadlocked with Cal-Hi and the Ceas are engaged in a battle with Santa Fe for top honors.

The three teams engage in battle against Lynwood tomorrow night. For the Bees and the Ceas, the game will have an important effect on the race. However, for the JV's the game will only affect their race for second place. They are currently in the second spot with a one game lead over Norwalk.



## Bellflower tennis team to seek ninth consecutive SGVL title

Bellflower's varsity tennis team will "destroy everything in its path," according to tennis coach Joe Bott.

The path set for the Bott tennis men this season is the yellow brick road headed straight for their ninth consecutive San Gabriel Valley League championship.

After eight years of domination of the SGVL, Bott expects the team to "continue Bellflower's tradition of winning, with the return of such outstanding varsity lettermen as Sam Okimoto, Kirk Nelberger and Phil Rogers."

Joining the varsity squad this year from last season's junior varsity team are Greg Walen, Dave Rozelle and Doug Stern.

New faces on the varsity team as Ted Shimimoto, James Jepsen and Robie Dodson.

Although Bott shows apparent confidence in the 1971 tennis team, he is still able to bring himself to admit that there will be another factor in this year's winning season.

"Varsity tennis at Bellflower High School is securely under the able control of their illustrious, internationally famous, debonair coach," he claims.

Although a bumper crop of tennis players and probable winning season to look forward to, Bott still enjoys reminiscing past victories. Following last year's championship season, the eighth one in a row for Bellflower and first

with Bott as varsity coach, he immediately set his sights on a decade of SGVL championships.

With only two years left to each the decade mark, Bott begins to think about Bellflower's first match of the 1971 season against Hawthorne High School, Feb. 23, at Bellflower.

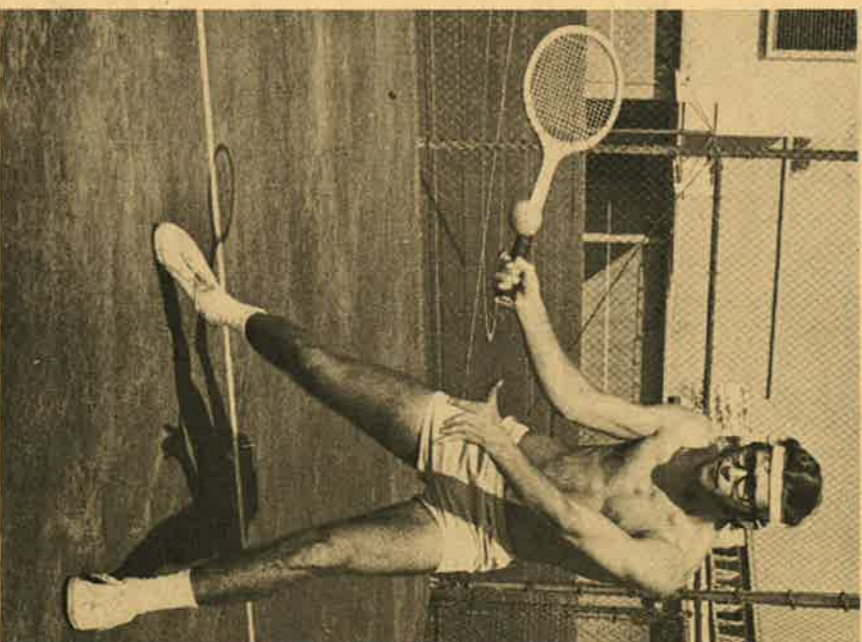
If Bott can once again lead Bellflower's tennis team to the league championship, his eyes will not only be set on that decade mark, but he will also be looking for the first team in Bellflower's history to get past the first playoff game in CIF competition.

"With the players we have this year, I wouldn't be surprised if this team were to break Bellflower's jinx and get past the first round of CIF playoffs," claims Bott.

Bott's confidence is certainly not without reason as four of this year's varsity made the JV all-league team last year, and Sam Okimoto made last year's all-league varsity squad.

Okimoto captured third place varsity singles in last year's league finals.

On the junior varsity level, Rogers controlled the number one league position and Dave Rozelle picked up the number two spot. Accounting for half of last season's number one league doubles team is Doug Stern who this year will be doubling with Rozelle. Greg Walen and his partner captured number two league doubles last year and this year Walen will double with Kirk Nelberger.



Senior Dave Rozelle, who makes up part of the Buc varsity doubles team, returns shot in practice. Rozelle is one of the key figures in Bellflower's quest for ninth straight title.

(Douglas Stern photo)



Two Lynwood wrestlers give anguished looks as their Bellflower opponents attempt to pin them. Bucs concluded 2-3 league season with last Thursday's victory over the Knights in Lynwood's gym. Santa Fe was the other victim. (Douglas Stern Photo)



## Horsehiders seek league championship

There is good reason to believe that the 1971 San Gabriel Valley League Varsity baseball title will end up in the possession of Bellflower High School, according to coach Mike Kekich.

Coming off a somewhat disappointing 1970, a year in which the Bucs supposedly had the title before the season began, Mr. Kekich evaluated, "This year's team has about the same amount of talent as last year's, but now we are more of a team. We work together much better.

"Something that is really going to help is having (Rick) Bethke and (Fred) Perez on the mound because both have had a previous year of varsity experience."

Even so, one very large hole has been found in the Buccaneer roster. Having graduated as Athlete of the Year for 1970, Tom Snow will not be in his usual position behind the plate directing the pitchers, and his offensive punch will be missed also.

However, Coach Kekich feels certain that Sherman Seelye and Les Wiekamp can handle the backstop position very satisfactorily for the Bucs. "Both will get in a lot of playing time."

Kekich expects the team's toughest league competition to be California High School. "They had a good team last year and have many Varsity lettermen returning this season".

## Phil Budig Baseball faces a slow death

Once again, the yell of the umpire and the crack of the bat signal the start of another baseball season.

Already, spring training is about to catapult the Pros off to another year on the diamond. And Bellflower's season is also beginning soon -- February 22 to be exact.

But in the last few years, many people have taken an apathetic attitude towards the pro game. The game is, in these peoples' opinions, too slow-paced compared with other American sports.

The game has, it seems, failed to keep up with the times. After years of being number one, it is that no longer because it has failed to modernize to any extent over the years. Thus, it has fallen prey to the more action packed American games such as football and basketball.

In this sense, one must sympathize with Major League Commissioner Bowie Kuhn. He is forced to sell an outmoded product to the American people.

Many improvements, which attempted to speed up the game have been experimented with.

But in the end, all ideas for improvement, no matter how noble, have died beneath the galleys of the games' "traditionalists," the pot-bellied fans with the bottle of beer ready to throw at the umpire.

That leaves it basically right where it started from. And as fan interest drops off, average attendance for each game is dwindling.

9th clever solution to this problem, someone in baseball decided, was to add some more teams to the circuit. All this managed to do was downgrade the quality of the players).

One can only hope that baseball wakes up before it dies in its own fat, if only for the sake of the average fan -- who is crying out for a change.

## Picking out the worst

Basketball, meanwhile, faces a different dilemma.

A look at the past history of the National Basketball Association reveals that, contrary to popular belief, the regular season was NOT designed to pick out the best team in the league.

A note of explanation is due here. Rather than have the top divisional teams play off for the championship, the NBA allowed the top FOUR teams to play in the post-season elimination playoffs and the winner of this mess played for the real marbles.

Thus, the regular season was successful only in getting rid of the absolutely worst teams encountered. There was hope even for such lowly talent as the Seattle Super Sonics and the Chicago Bulls. It was wretched.

This year things are slightly better. Only the top eight teams (out of 17) will still be around after the regular season. (The American Basketball Association continues with the old garbage system).

To a certain extent, this stupidity also exists in our own high school basketball setup.

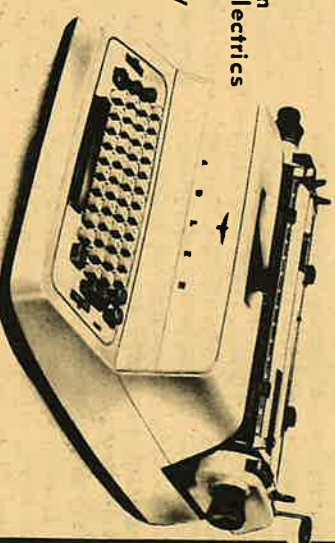
Bellflower and Excelsior are currently locked up in a tight race for first place in the San Gabriel Valley League. But it probably doesn't really matter who winds up in first place -- at least as far as the post-season CIF games go.

Both schools, assuming they wind up as the top two teams in the league, will most likely be invited to participate in the playoffs. Last year, both Excelsior (first place) and Lynwood (second place) were in the playoffs.

The whole idea is supposed to be to get the best qualified teams into the playoffs. Instead, what it does is to settle for second best, if not worse. In that light, it is nothing more than a pointless joke on basketball as well as all of the fans who think it's so great because it puts their team in the playoffs.

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## GAA swings into second golf season

GAA golf enters its second season this March with competition involving five of the eight high schools in Southern California that offer girls golf.

Competition includes matches against Arcadia, Chaffey, La Canada and Rosemead High Schools.

All matches will be played on 18 hole three par "pitch and putts," rather than the regulation par 72 course the boys play on. For the final match involving all schools, the girls will graduate



Christ "looks on" from the wall in The Prayer Room where visitors and performers come to pray (left). Also in the Prayer Room, visitors to the Salt Co. examine another wall portrait of Jesus Christ (upper left). In the Entertainment Room (above) a folk singer performs his own composition about his relationship to Jesus Christ.

(Jan Crocker photos)

## 'Jesus Movement' thrives in Southern California

by Jan Crocker

Jesus Christ started a movement 2,000 years ago, and it has been changing the hearts and lives of millions of murderers, addicts and ordinary people all over the world ever since. Now in the 1970's, a rebirth of this movement has materialized.

"It's an old-time, Bible-toting, witness-giving kind of revival, and the new evangelists are the young. They give their Christian message with cheerful dedication: "Turn on to Jesus. He's coming. Soon." (Brian Vachon, LOOK magazine)

The Jesus Movement is here, thriving in California and is growing and spreading eastward. The movement is young. Young people reaching out to young people to help and for help.

This new movement began quietly with an occasional bumper-sticker: "Love Your Enemy — It Will Drive Him Crazy." "Jesus Christ is The Bridge Over Troubled Waters," and "My God, Isn't Dead ... Yours Is."

Posters and an occasional song with a hint of Gospel between the lines sprang up and became increasingly popular. More songs, more posters. A new sign

— The forefinger pointed up towards the heavens — all a part of the fire for Christ.

Massive youth-evangelism appeared. Hot-lines and consulting offices brought a new cure for the drug addict: "A 30 second cure, without the withdrawal symptoms." Melodyland was taken over by a non-denominational religious group. Volunteer workers spread the news of a new kind of Christianity.

Christian Coffee Houses throughout Southern California have been a major part in this soul winning campaign. The Salt Company (not salt as in Mortons), located on Gower and Yuca streets in Hollywood, is one of these.

Young people, "hippies" and adults alike, gravitate into The Salt Company to hear the folk songs (and hard rock) with a Gospel message. After only a few minutes at the Salt you are well aware that the performers and the workers are there for Christ, giving their personal testimonies and songs without hesitation.

Race is no issue here. Black, white, Chicano and oriental all come to hear of the love of Christ — "the love within

me that enables me to love you, because otherwise I would probably hate you," as one black sister stated.

Rock concerts, sponsored by coffee houses and several churches, also play a major role in this movement. Anxious young people stand in line to pack the auditoriums to hear an hour of entertainment with a message at the end. The proclamation: "Jesus wants to fill you with His love, instead of drugs. He forgives you — and accepts you — if you'll accept Him."

As one young evangelist stated, "We're interested in winning young people to Jesus Christ. We don't care what they look like, how they smell or where they come from."

This is, indeed, the goal of Calvary Chapel as well. They urge people to come and worship with them, without the pressure of church membership. Ocean baptisms are another part of the trend for the new converts at Calvary Chapel.

Hundreds of new converts circle the water, waiting to be baptised in the Pacific. They are excited and very, very

happy, the same ecstatic smile over their faces, and the hugs and looks of simple contentment.

Bethel Tabernacle is another church changing with the young. It is located in North Redondo Beach and started when a young minister, Breck Stevens, brought in young people on heroin. Some of them left, but most of them kept coming back.

Bethel is larger now and it still is ministering to drug addicts and other kids with problems. Its congregation is mostly young people who have led a tough life and show the battle scars. But the common denominator, the key, the heart of the whole movement, is Jesus Christ. Christ brings the whole picture into focus — without Him there isn't a purpose to any of it.

It's happening all over California. At Bethel, Calvary Chapel, The Salt Company, Melodyland — everywhere and anywhere these young people can witness. It's old-time, it's new and young. But whatever you call it, it is very, very real.