

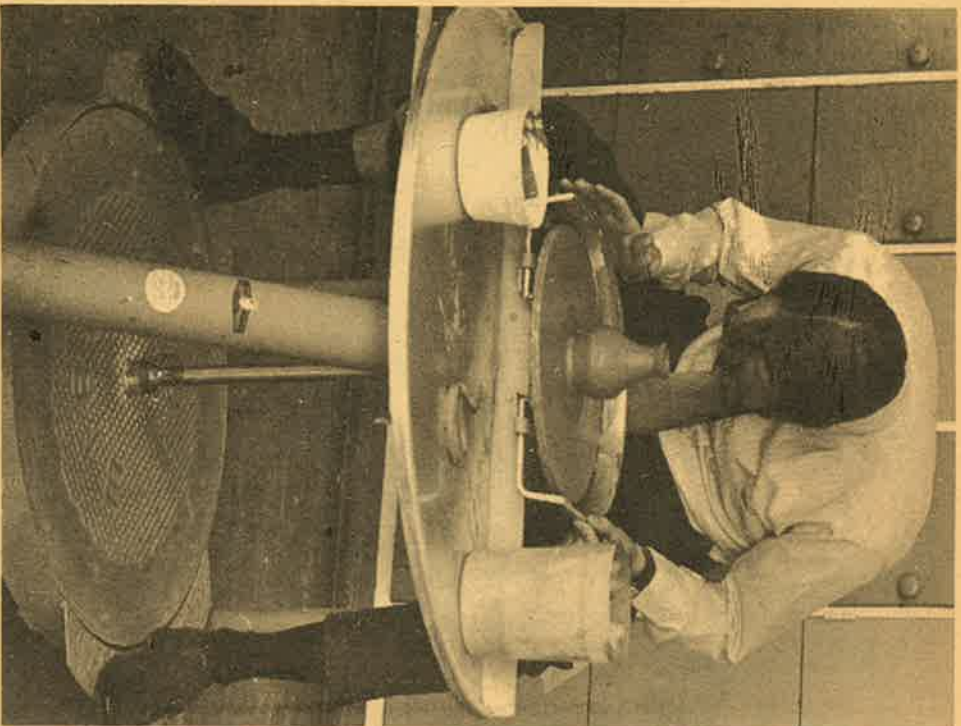


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Townley resignation received by District

by melissa blaylock and dave wielenga

In a move that took both faculty and students alike by surprise, Principal Art Townley submitted his resignation which, if approved by the BUSD Board of Education, will go into effect March 1.

"I've been offered the position of Director of Curriculum in the Huntington Beach District," Dr. Townley revealed in his February 10 announcement. "I'm glad about the promotion, but sad at the thought of leaving."

"The greatest achievement since I've been at BHS," Dr. Townley remarked, "has got to be the full five-year accreditation; especially considering only four of the 22 recommendations made by the previous accrediting committee had been complied with."

And Dr. Townley leaves behind him 20 months of long hours and an assortment of accomplishments.

Another of the chief points on the list of accomplishments, was, according to Dr. Townley, the physical appearance of the school. It looked, in his words, "really ugly."

"But since then the woodwork has been painted and looks nice, over 200 trees have been planted, the planter added around the administration building and the library had been almost entirely re-done. The school just looks a lot better," he added proudly.

Another change enacted under the Townley regime was the complete revamping of the sub-school system. "In addition to the reorganization of the administration," "almost every department has undergone drastic changes."

"For instance," he continued, "the Math Department is now realizing the 10-year dream of an office. Also, a zero period has been instated."

Much of Dr. Townley's success at accomplishing monumental tasks, according to one student, is due to his willingness to get down on the student's level.

"My position in Huntington Beach will be primarily out in the schools talking to students and teachers, but it will be a change," Dr. Townley explained. "I'll miss that daily contact with students."

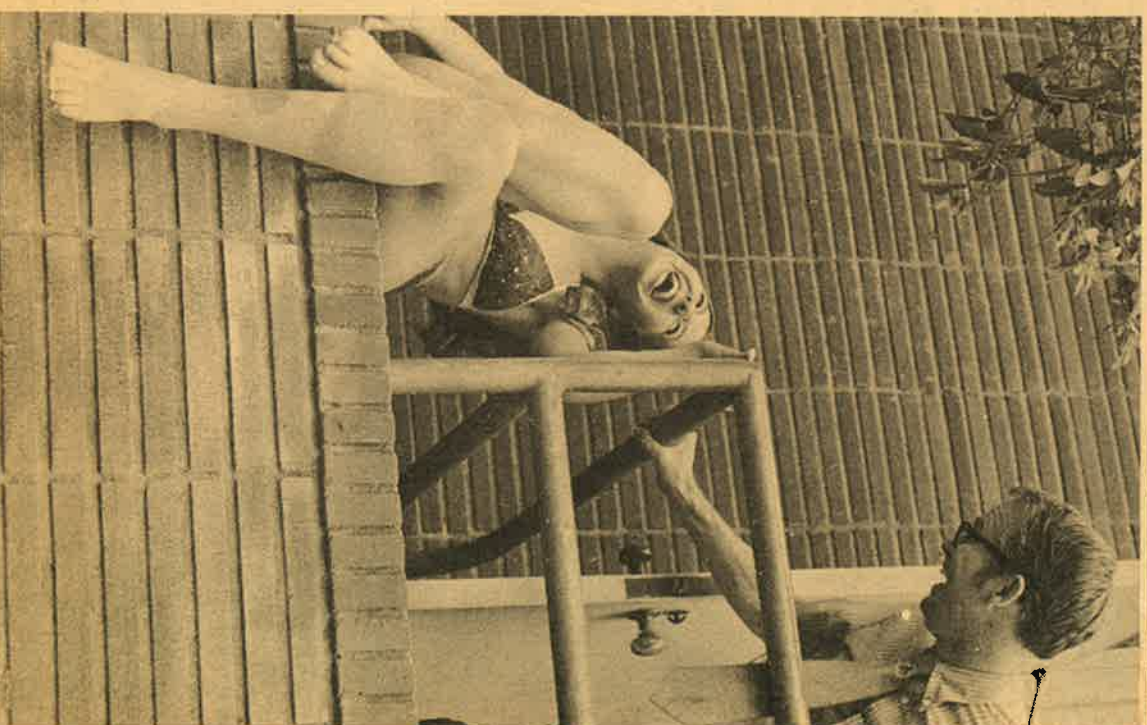
Coming to Bellflower from an assistant-principal position at Rolling Hills High, Dr. Townley says it's difficult to talk about leaving BHS without getting over sentimental.

"My past 20 months at Bellflower have been very exciting and satisfying." Although he won't be here to actually be involved with it, Dr. Townley expressed some concern over the tax limit election.

"Bellflower absolutely has to pass the tax limit election--it's dire!" He added that the financial crisis of the district had no bearing on his decision to leave.

"Hopefully, the effect my departure will have on the election will be that of waking up the people to the fact that they'd better take preventative measures to keep good administrators and good teachers from leaving the district," he confided.

Looking toward the future, Dr. Townley promised to "do everything I can to make the transition to another principal a smooth one."



(Photos courtesy of Steve La Voy.)



Juniors infest once sacred senior square.

by melissa blaylock

The class of '72, who won the competition yell in its freshman year and who has shown overwhelming school spirit throughout high school, seems to have lost its self-respect.

Juniors now stroll casually through senior square, something which if done in any year past would have been considered a flagrant violation of senior privileges. The immediate reaction would have been for the seniors to grab the disrespectful underclassman and force him to show repentance for his shameful deed.

But it looks as if those days are gone; seniors and juniors now laughingly joke together within the chain-ed confines of the once sacred senior square. Either underclassmen should be allowed therein, or the senior privilege should be kept intact and all younger intruders be kept out.

Perhaps the Senior Class should vote and decide the fate of the cement square. And if the decision happens to go in favor of keeping it SENIOR square, it doesn't seem like such an outlandish request to ask that those seniors wishing to congregate with their junior buddies do it outside of that area. After all, Bellflower High has a lot of other places where people can talk without infringing on others' opinions.

At the outset of the fall year, it looked as if the class of '72 was going to make senior square into the sort of area it was designed to be, that is, a place where seniors ONLY could go to be together. All others were to keep out.

But it soon became apparent that certain juniors enjoyed the privilege also. Asked why he kept going into senior square, one junior remarked, "Now who's going to kick me out? Nobody's going to try that!"

Maybe not. Nevertheless, the Senior Class should decide--and make it very clear--what restrictions, if any, should be set on the square. It's possible, though, that most seniors don't feel strong enough about being a senior and having special privileges.



"Aw, it's just a Mickey Mouse tradition anyway."

Violence erupts on gym floor; crowds eagerly join in brawl

by melissa blaylock and dave wielenga

In a chaotic scene resembling the massive barroom brawls in countless westerns, Pioneer's gym floor became the site of a gun-ho free-for-all between not only the two rival teams, but also spectators who eagerly surged onto the court at Wednesday's eventful basketball game.

The incident began when Pioneer's all-CIF guard Jim Smith shoved BHS guard Steve Langford who, in turn, shoved him back.

"Smith was having a pretty bad game and he'd just picked up his fifth foul," Coach Jim Greenfield explained. "so I suppose he was pretty frustrated."

With 57 seconds remaining in the game, Steve Crockett brought down a rebound when "some guy landed on him," and Crockett subtly elbowed the intruder. According to Crockett, "he was going to hit me; so I hit him first."

According to Greenfield one thing led to another and before he knew it, half the people in the stands were down on the court.

Greenfield revealed there were about five Pioneer people on each of BHS' players. "Dick Van Vliet was just

standing there," the coach exclaimed, "and he got decked!"

Spectators (or should they be called 'participants'?) reported that half the people in the stands were on the court slugging. "The people from the stands weren't particular about who they were hitting. They were getting their own players and each other," Greenfield remarked.

While the Bellflower crowd cheered the fracas on, Pioneer fans heartily joined in. Greenfield reported trying to pull five guys off Buc athletes Phil Weinberg and Frank Fisher.

Since there were no serious injuries, Greenfield predicts no CIF action will be taken. "I'd say the players enjoyed it... as much as you can enjoy getting slugged," he conceded.

So, another dimension has been added to Bellflower's basketball season and spectators will undoubtedly be hoping for more blood-and-guts action. The fact cannot be denied that the event added a little spice to the sport. Greenfield admitted "it was probably the highlight of the players' season; they'll remember it for a long time."

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VW's and beans spice up queen for a day finale

Traditionally, the weeks of Homecoming and Winter Sports Festival, come and go year after year with little significant changes in the programmed activities. This year, WSF was "resurrected" from that grave of tradition bringing both revived and newly-born activities.

Resurrected along with WSF was the old "everything goes" Activities Night, long before buried because of the long list of people "wounded in action." This night lived up to its old memories of torn clothing, bruised bodies and headaches from the spectrum of sports played there.

Armed with brushes and a rainbow of paints, WSF Princesses began to colorize their escorts with a more "visible spectrum," as body painting replaced the old-time "pie-throw."

'Happy faces' and flowers appeared on the bodies of the somewhat hesitant guys who could do little more than grimace as a blob of paint suddenly slapped across their face. Junior Princess Linda Pederson was the winner of this artistic contest for her portrait on Harry Bigelow, "Sunburst on Chest" entry.

Then alas, noisy motors idled to the tune of 'Car Show Tonight' as the latest 'pink and purple tuck-and-roll' was inspected and judged by the experts. These loud vibrations moved the students right along to an assembly in the Buc Gym where the jazz band played while the princesses were introduced.

At the assembly a guest speaker, 'Billy Grahamcracker' raised some school spirit (among other things).

And while those beauties (the cars) ate up the gas in front of the gym, a few male Bucs stored up on another kind of gas with the 'refried beans and waxer eating contest.' The winner, Tony McIntyre, recieved a can of air freshener and a roll of Rol-aids, for his efforts.

More eating followed with an 'All You Can Eat' spaghetti dinner, sponsored by BAA. BHS jocks were seen waiting on tables wearing mustaches, bow ties and straw hats.

And wherever there is straw, there are bugs, and so began the first annual VW race. During snack, boys were seen cramming into the little cars, with a record high of 21. At lunch, the race was on, with each group trying to out-push the others.

And finally, the crowning of the queen, climaxing a week of festivities honoring winter sports and seven princesses: As ASB President Jack Easum tauntingly passed the crown from each hopeful head to another, cries of 'Hurry up Jack!' could be heard ringing through the otherwise hushed stands, until finally the 1972 WSF crown came to rest upon the head of yell leader Christy Day.

"I couldn't believe it!" exclaimed Christy. "I never expected to win, but I'm really happy."



Caught up in the emotional impact of the moment, WSF Queen, Christy Day is seen gasping in amazement as the crown came to rest, climaxing a week of activities.

(photo by Steve La Voy)

Unreal love-story flick flops

by Lee Ann Park

People; raw, plain and ugly in their realness, are threads woven about the skeleton of a boy-meets-girl love story, adding only a touch of credibility to the recent Universal release 'Minnie and Moskowitz.'

Seymour Moskowitz (Seymour Cassel) parks cars for a living, wanders around Times Square on his day off, picks up girls at night and bums money from his mother (Katherine Cassavetes).

This 30 year old hero, with his pony tail and walrus mustache seems to have more hair than ambition. However, he does show some get-up-and-go when he gets up and goes to California, where Minnie enters the picture.

She's alone, works in a museum and has just ended an unhappy relationship with a married man with three kids.

A blind date exemplifies her loneliness. Zelmo (Val Avery) proposes and sends the fair maiden fleeing into the arms of our hero. Seymour is a carpark at the restaurant and, like a knight in shining armor, he comes to her rescue.

Following four days of fights, arguments and pounding on doors, Minnie and Moskowitz are married and live happily ever after.

The only thing that saves this fairy tale from turning into a pumpkin at midnight is the credibility of the characters and their settings. The "Beautiful People" usually found in Hollywood productions are conspicuously absent, replaced by a believable, if homely, cast set in the dirty, neon lit streets of New York and L.A.

Writer and director John Cassavetes has peopled 'Minnie and Moskowitz' with characters almost invisible to the audience but invaluable in adding believability to the script.

An old hobo, whose wife is dead; a tough barmaid; an Irish girl with blue eyes and pink skin; a Puerto Rican fruit stand peddler; a housewife and her small daughter on an airplane going to L.A. all make "Minnie and Moskowitz" a story of what is possible, not probable.

rounds were Pam McDaniel in oratorical interpretation and John Teel in humorous reading.

However, these semi-finalists and Bellflower speech team members who didn't quite qualify still have a last chance to accompany Bryan to San Francisco. "In late March the second State Qualifying Contest will be held at Pasadena City College.

"These contests are extremely difficult and the competition is tough," Albertsen said, and added, "I'm really proud of Bryan, who is the 16 student in the history of BHS to qualify for state."

Fellow speech team member Bill Thompson, who missed the semi-finals in ex-temporaneous speaking by one point, listened to Larson's semi-final round speech and commented on its excellence.

"I was really surprised," he announced, then explained, "Bryan was the last speaker, and every impromptu (for which you are permitted only 2 minutes preparation) sounded like an oratory." "But Bryan came through giving one of the best impromptu speeches I have ever heard," Thompson exclaimed while de-

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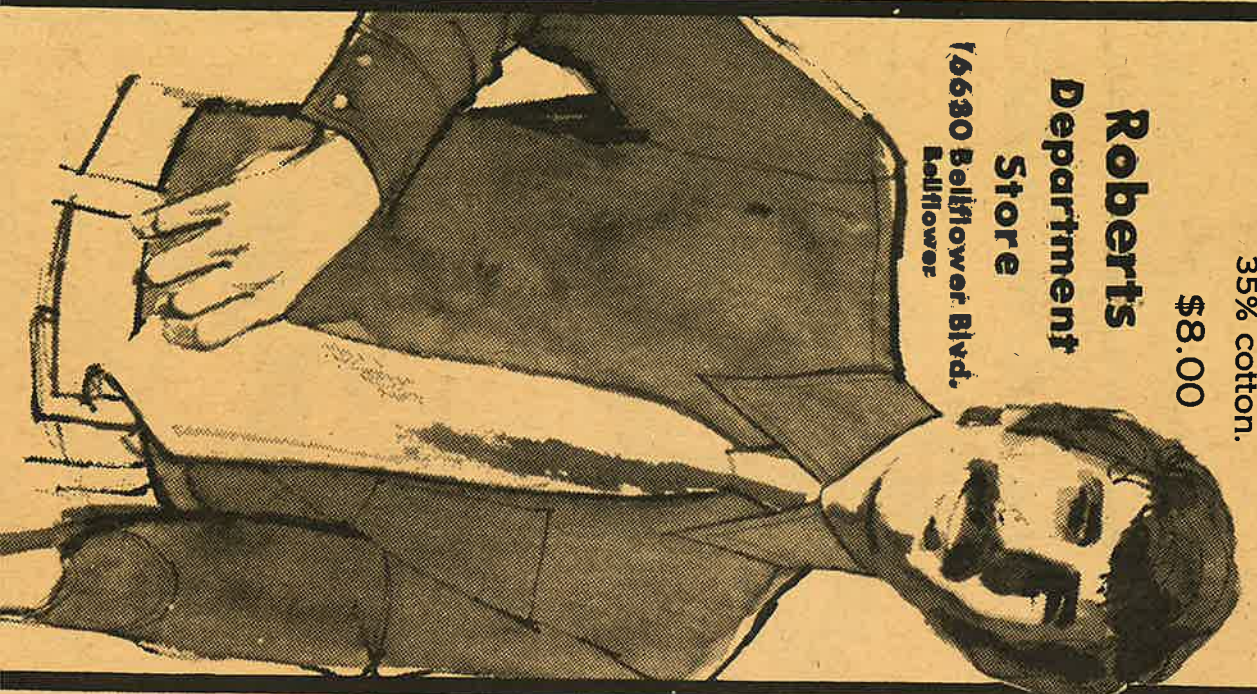
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Larson talks way to state tourney with third place in Fall Qualifier

by Clay Doyle

Sophomore Bryan Larson, after only 1½ years of contest experience, captured third place in the men's impromptu category of the Fall State Qualifying Speech Contest.

Placing in this contest, and thus achieving the privilege of participating in the state contest, is the ultimate goal of all students involved in contest speaking, according to BHS Speech Coach Ron Albertsen.

"Bryan now ranks among the top speakers in California," proclaimed Albertsen, explaining that only the best 42 speakers in the state can qualify for the state contest in each event. When asked how he felt about going to the state meet, being held this year at the University of San Francisco, Larson replied, "It's really great, but I sure hope someone else places at the next qualifier so I'll have some company on the trip."

Though no one else has yet qualified for state, a number of BHS contestants made it into the semi-final rounds. Debbie Roy and Terry Garrett made the semi's in women's impromptu, with Terry

Spring fever hits BHS fashion show

Instead of the usual romantic background setting of the sweat-stained walls of the gym, with baskets dangling delicately in wait of the after-school practice of the basketball team; the 1972 Girls' League sponsored Spring Fashion Show will be a truly classy affair moving to the cafeteria, complete with refreshments and door prizes, according to sponsor Mrs. Mary McCarthy.

Also making the event different this year is the fact that there will be a nighttime showing in addition to the day program, but, Mrs. McCarthy quickly added, the day and night shows will be completely different.

The daytime show, which is for all BHS girls, will be Wednesday, February 23 and is to be sponsored by Simplicity patterns. Mrs. McCarthy explained.

"A lot of work has been done for the night showing," Mrs. McCarthy commented, "and Mrs. Jean Peterson has really done most of the organization."

The night debut is set for Thursday, February 24 and supplying fashions for the program is Leah of Leah's Fabric Shop, who will also narrate.

Perhaps in the spirit of women's lib, Girls League is going all out this year. Mrs. McCarthy revealed the program is running into a little more money than they had planned. "We have to buy the supplies for the Home Ec. department to make our refreshments and we also had napkins printed especially for the show," Mrs. McCarthy revealed.

With the BHS Jazz Band playing softly in the background, models chosen from the Modern Dance classes and girls who have been tailoring their own clothes will whirl and parade for spectators.

Table decorations and background settings are to be provided by the various school departments. "The Art Department is making statues which will be used on the tables," Mrs. McCarthy remarked; "and the Media Club is letting us use some of their slides behind the models."

Another first for the affair is the use of male models. "Don Hahn and Harry Bigelow are going to be our male stars," according to the sponsor.

So, even though some girls may be disappointed with the absence of the comfy wooden bleachers and the unique echoing acoustics in the gym, Mrs. McCarthy admitted Girls' League had definitely decided the annual fashion show was "in need of change, and that's just what we did."



Although times and fashion change, girls remain the same in their passion for fashion. The annual Spring Fashion Show, although completely different from years past, will feature the latest fads in spring apparel.

Creations worn in this year's show will include original designs of BHS girls, those provided by Simplicity Patterns and Leah's Fashion Fabrics.

Among the models are Barbara Guedel, in midi skirt and blouse, Karin Hudspeth, Kim Fox, and Carlene Matthews showing spring formal and bikini clad Katy Johnson.

(photos by sam nunn)

Netters aim for perfect decade

by scott rozelle

Virtually every sport in today's world has its own long and interesting history. And of the thousands upon thousands of stories, invariably some of the most colorful and unbelievable deal with great sports dynasties.

In baseball one will readily recall the New York Yankees of the 1920's and 30's with Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and company. Basketball can boast the great Celtic team of the 60's led by Bill Russell, Bill Sharmon and Bob Cousy. And not to be outdone, the Packers dynasty under Coach Vince Lombardi probably ranks as football's best.

Although on a somewhat smaller scale, Bellflower's tennis teams have established quite a dynasty of their own as they have won or shared the SGVL title for each of the past nine years. Therefore, if the 1972 squad can successfully defend its crown one more time, they will fill out what third year varsity coach Joe Bott calls the "perfect decade of tennis championships."

Bott, however cannot give accurate odds on the team's chances this year, due to the realignment of the league since the previous season. In fact, four of their six league matches will be played against teams they have not faced earlier.

However, even with the uncertainty of the impending season, the always optimistic tennis coach feels that he has the material for another winning season and with three returning varsity lettermen, five JVs who attained league honors last year, and several new faces, he may be right.

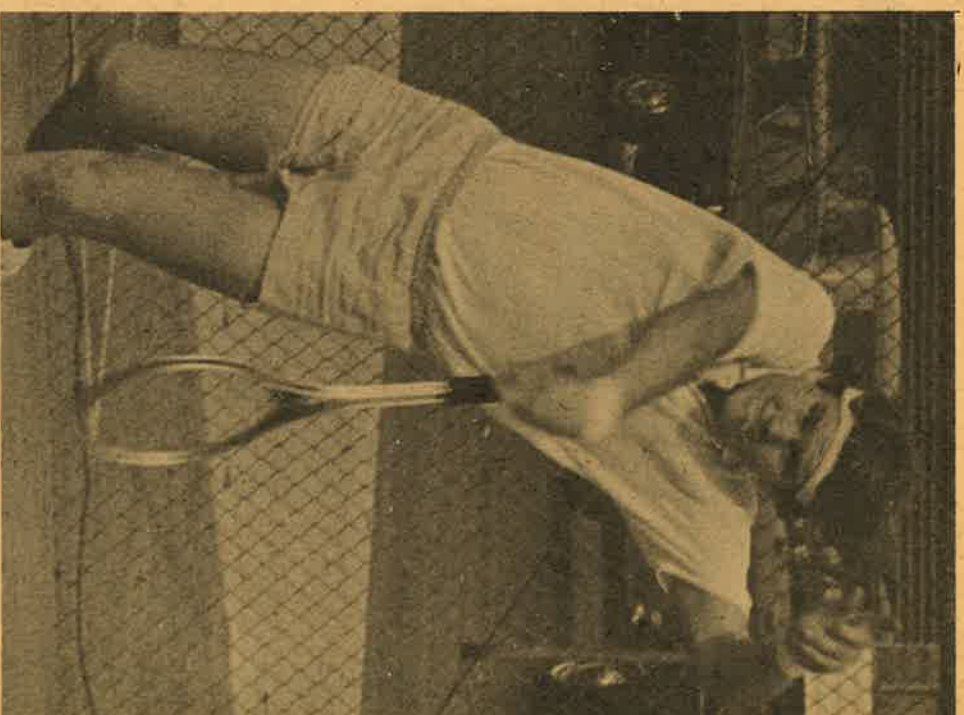
The backbone of the team and with the potential of being the greatest tennis player in BHS history, junior Phil Rogers comes back for his third season as a varsity starter. His credentials include individual JV and Varsity championships, a 100% winning league record last year, and two team championships.

To back up Rogers, another returning varsity letterman, James Jepsen, will hold down the number two spot in the singles line-up. Last season, as a junior, Jepsen helped the team immensely as a strong fourth singles. The third and fourth singles spots have not been decided yet and top contenders for the open slots are Norman Hamada, Brian Kerns (number one and two in the JV league finals last year), Rod Stern, Rusty Kane, Rich Okimoto and Richard Romero.

In the all-important doubles category, Bott feels that he has a most promising number one tandem in a pair of juniors, Ted Shimamoto and Scott Rozelle. Shimamoto is switching to doubles after nailing down third varsingles last year, while Rozelle is jumping up from a junior Varsity position.

The other doubles team will also most likely consist of two juniors in Mike Digulio and Bob Lemen.

When asked if he thought that a young team could take over for the pre-dominantly senior squad that graduated last year Bott replied, "Even though we may have as many as six or seven sophomores and juniors on the team, I feel that they all have or will get the experience they need to win the climactic tenth league championship in a row."



Junior Scott Rozelle grimaces as he unloads vicious serve on practice opponent. Rozelle will team with Ted Shimamoto to form number one doubles team for the Bucs who are seeking their tenth straight SGVL crown. (photo by steve la voy)



Directed by first-year coach Derek Harrison, the Buc Hurriers tune up for tomorrow's season-opening meet with rival

Mayfair. Despite being hampered by loss of key performers, Bellflower still anticipates a highly successful season. (photo by steve la voy)

Spikers tripped by loss of 'studs'

by fred budig

Due to the loss of several key performers, Bellflower's varsity track squad faces a dismal season, according to head coach David Dufault.

Dufault, only in his second year as track coach for Bellflower, believes that the absence of "several potential league champions" through mid-term graduation and other causes will weaken this year's varsity track squad's chances of contending with strong SGVL rivals Excelsior and California.

"With these studs, we would have been much stronger in the field events, hurdling and some of the middle distances," claims Dufault. "However, some of the guys we needed just failed to show up."

First year distance coach Dave Chapel echoed Dufault's slightly pessimistic sentiments as to this year's season.

"We don't have the depth I'd hoped for," stated Chapel, a former distance runner from Santa Fe.

Chapel, who is joined by ex-Whittier College hurdler Derek Harrison as initial year coaches at Bellflower, believes that the team will try to compensate for the meager supply of talent by shifting those tracksters available to match the strengths and weaknesses of opposing schools.

Although the absence of the anticipated members has been compounded through the loss of several key seniors

from last year's squad (which set seven schools records), the present team retains several bright spots entering competition Thursday against Mayfair.

"We have a few strong areas on the team," believes Dufault. "We should do well in the hurdling and jumping events. Also, with Bob O'Brien (replacing graduated school record holder Bob Stogsdill), we should have good efforts in the mile."

This year's squad will also be minus the services of Brad Stone, school record holder in the pole vault and league champion in the long jump and pole vault.

"Frank Arsi and Dave Gunderson should give us two good replacements for Stone in the pole vault," feels Dufault. "Gunderson also is a good long jumper."

Whatever the strength of the varsity team, however, Dufault is confident of a strong showing in both the Bee and Cee divisions.

"In the Bees, we have several members from last year's championship Cel squad. With this strong nucleus returning, we should have a real good shot at the SGVL title."

But the present Cee team has also been weakened through the failure of several spikers previously believed to be coming out.

"Although we're going to suffer through their absence, we'll still manage to field a good team," says Dufault.

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Bucs end league with 10-0 record

by fred budig

Bellflower's varsity basketball team edged California, 60-57, Friday to finish with a perfect 10-0 SGVL record entering last night's CIF contest against Foothill.

Foothill was runnerup to tough Katella in the Crestview League. Results of the opening round match of the playoffs, which began yesterday, were unattainable due to deadlines.

Last Friday's close win over Cal gave the fifth-ranked Bucs an overall mark of 20-6. The game started as a low scoring affair which saw Bellflower leading 8-5 after five minutes. Forward Jerry Pabbruwe, who finished with a game high of 20 points, ran the score to 11-5 with a three point play. However, the Condors starting hitting from the outside and took the lead early in the second period.

"They have excellent outside shooting," said coach Jim Greenfield in evaluating California. "It's probably the strongest aspect of their game."

Bellflower, behind a devastating fast break, managed to regain the lead 26-25 at halftime. But the Bucs were unable to hold the lead in the third quarter as starters Keith Thomas and Jim Hamilton were benched because of foul trouble.

Both came back early in the final period as Bellflower rallied to regain the lead behind the scoring of Phil Weinberg. Finally, with just over three minutes remaining, the Bucs clinched the victory as Wally Carlstrom scored to put the lead at seven points.

"The big thing of the game was the fact that many of our subs were able to get some playing time going into CIF," felt Greenfield.



Substitute guard Randy Cox fakes taller Norwalk defender out of his shoes en route to driving lay-up in recent game against the Lancers. Bucs hope Cox can continue providing some scoring punch in upcoming CIF battle. (photo by dirk rogers)

Wrestlers romp; will enter CIF

by scott rozelle

Ten seniors, wrestling in their final match, inspired the BHS wrestling team to trounce Cal High and record its first undefeated season and first SGVL title in the school's history.

The 1972 Buc matmen staged perhaps their finest performance of the year in last Thursday's Cal High match. They ran up a score of 46-0 and beat the Condor's first ten wrestlers before Bellflower's Bud Jones had to forfeit his match due to a shoulder injury suffered on the mat. This gave the opponents six of their nine points. Cal's only other points came on the next match when sophomore Pat Divine, filling in for the injured Rick Stratton, lost a heartbreak decision, 6-5. Louie Snow then put on an appropriate grand finale by pinning his man, making the final score, 52-9, capping an extremely successful season.

When asked what the keys to the Buc's accomplishments were, first year varsity coach Larry Waltz, referred back to a statement he made at the beginning of the season. "If we're to win the tough SGVL, the members of the wrestling squad must be totally dedicated and willing to put forth hard work towards becoming Number One."

GAA squad falls 33-34

Bellflower's GAA basketball team opened its season Thursday on somewhat of a dismal note, losing to arch-rival Excelsior 34 - 33.

As the score would indicate, the outcome was undecided until the closing seconds when Bellflower, led by Jackie Weinberg and Dianne Schenk, fell just short of a tie.

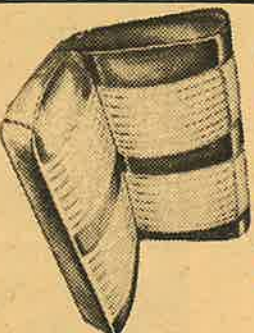
Coach Lynette Waltner was considering protesting the game due to some rather unofficial techniques employed. According to Miss Waltner, a wrist-watch was used to keep time and there was no official scorer.



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Dave Wielenga Baseball not dead, just more relaxing

During the past few years a 'knock baseball' trend seems to have developed among many fans, writers and even some of the athletes themselves. This movement ranges from suggestions of drastic changes in rules and equipment to a call for the total abolition of the sport.

For quite a while I was inclined to go along with critics who claimed that our "national pastime" was suffering, compared to professional football and the other emotionally-generating sports of our action-minded society. I began to think that maybe baseball really was a dying game that was living in the past.

Then I came to the realization that besides the skill and excitement present in a home run, a double play or a spectacular catch, baseball provided me with a refreshing relief from the hectic, non-stop speed of life that is forced upon everyone. I saw that the feature of baseball that attracted me to it was the major point of its criticism...its pace. I enjoy the pace of baseball, the relaxing tempo of a ball game. I like knowing that my nerves aren't going to be rattled every minute of the game. When I go to the ball park I enjoy being able to talk to the person I'm with...or, at home, to read the paper or a magazine while listening to it on the radio or watching it on TV.

Our nerves are battered daily by a barrage of blaring sounds, bright light and ulcer-inducing tension. The world is marred by crime, predjudice, poverty and countless other problems of the day.

But, somehow, I feel a little better about things after watching a ball game. I think it's because it's nice to know that we can still have something as simple as this in our lives, men playing a boy's game, to offset the worries of this world.

I regret to report that the outcome of BHS' final football game of the season was never published. I've received much harassment because of this from the monstrously hulky masters of the gridiron. So, in an effort to do them justice (and save myself from a hospital bed) the score of the powderpuff game was 18-0 as the juniors, led by Diane Schenk, trampled the seniors who were headed by the muscular Brenda Ford.

Although all the attention has been centered on the varsity's success, Bellflower's basketball squads have performed admirably on every level of competition.

The "farm" teams rolled up a combined league record of 35-5 as the Junior Varsity and Bee teams won SGVL crowns with records of 10-0 and 9-1 respectively. The Gee team stumbled a bit but still wound up with a respectable 6-4 record, good enough for a second-place berth.

The Dodgers set a club one-day spending record Sunday when Frank Robinson and Maury Wills signed their 1972 contracts for \$145,000 and \$100,000 respectively.

It seems a bit stupid to spend such a vast amount of money for a couple of aging veterans but I think the pair are being paid more for their box-office appeal than their actual value to the club.



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LOVE

by Jeannette Anderson
 "Love is the opening door. Love is what we came here for." These famed words of Crosby, Stills & Nash seem to fit the attitude of many at BHS and are well displayed by clinging couples at dances, football games, the prom, or even in the corridors every day.

No one can guess how many times those three little words, "I love you," have been whispered in the halls of BHS throughout all of its existence, but certainly some of the most touching love stories have been born and died right in the 100 and 200 wings.

There are many techniques which these young lovers use to show their affection for each other. The most common is the "walk your girl to class, then make-out like the end of the world was coming, then hurry to your next class" syndrome. In fact, a very good way to determine when a guy in your class has a girlfriend is noting if he is always late to class by the same amount each day. Some of these couples are so set in this pattern that you could set your watch by them.

Another "classic" is: A couple with the male leaning against the locker with his arms around the girl seemingly holding her up and the girl is almost invariably hypnotically staring into his face. The couple never seem to move, and one would tend to think they were asleep.

These lovers have other strange ways of showing their affection and probably the most uninspiring method is that of writing in the bathroom stalls. Visiting the same stall day after day can sometimes be like watching a soap opera the way some of the names change so rapidly and appear elsewhere in different handwriting.

Yes, young love plays a big part in the saga of BHS life. Just think, if it were not for these love birds, where would all the money come from that is usually made off of dances, singing valentines, dinners, the prom, and almost all other BHS activities? Truly, it is love that makes BHS go round, and bathroom graffiti in the long run pays off.

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