

# Silver Chips

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## "Chips", Council Represent Blair In Baltimore City

Student journalists and representatives of student councils met jointly in the Forest Park High School, Baltimore, on Thursday, October 7.

Gerald Van Pool, of the National Education Association, addressed the group on student councils, his theme being "State of Mind." Mr. Walter E. Hess, managing editor of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, a department of the N. E. A., spoke for the importance of school publications.

The journalists then adjourned to another room to hear more from Mr. Hess and to discuss problems concerning their newspapers.

Representatives of student councils stayed in the auditorium to discuss their problems with Mr. Van Poole and elect officers of the temporary council organization. Muriel Sandifer was elected to the executive committee.

Muriel, George Candish, and the student council advisor, Mr. Robert Zimmerman, represented Blair's student government. Sylvia Reed and Joyce King attended as "Silver Chips" representatives.

Mrs. Lucille Moler and Mrs. Alma Marshall attended the luncheon and meeting at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on October 8 held for all publications directors.

## Baltimore Scene of Library Meeting

High school library clubs of Maryland convened in the Enoch Pratt Library of Baltimore on October 8 for their annual meeting.

Mrs. Margaret Alexander Edwards, of the Young People's branch of the Pratt Library, fascinated the group with one of her excellent book reviews. Following this, candidates for state officerships were initiated by John Wright, a Blair graduate, and Joan Hover, now attending Blair. All library club members in the state who were able to attend turned out for the meeting.

These clubs, of which the one at Blair is the original chapter, are composed of students, teachers, and librarians from their various high schools, and are banded together into the state organization, which elects state officers at the annual meeting.

## Students Asked to Claim Various Lost Articles

Almost 100 lost and found articles which have been collected since January of 1948 will be disposed of on the thirtieth of this month if they have not been claimed previous to that date.

The lost and found department, located at the school store, has numerous articles of varying value, including a large amount of jewelry, books, scarfs of all descriptions, mittens, a girl's suit jacket, leather belts, and a green ball point fountain pen.

Students are asked to check at the school store before October 30 if they wish to claim any lost article.

## Flag Flies Over Blair

The American flag which flew over Bougainville was presented to Blair by Mr. Frank J. Lupac at the first PTA meeting of the year on September 22.

Mr. Lupac briefly told its history and asked that it be flown at all Blair games. Bob Alexander accepted the flag on behalf of the students of Blair.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to getting acquainted, the teachers having introduced themselves to the parents. Each teacher received flowers or corsages donated by the Mason Flower Shop.

On October 16, at 2:10 p. m. the "Bougainville" flag was raised for the third time above the Montgomery Blair Stadium. This third flag raising was the pre-game ceremony of the Blair-Gonzaga tilt. Mr. Meserole and the Blair bank played the "Star Spangled Banner" to supply the musical end of the proceedings. This will be a regular part of each home football game.

## Dr. Buschmeyer Assembly Speaker

Dr. Fred Buschmeyer, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church, spoke at the CARE assembly on October 12 on conditions of European countries today.

As a delegate to the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council of Churches, Dr. Buschmeyer took pictures of the bombed out and devastated countries such as England, France, Greece, Germany, Poland, and Italy. It was also stated that unless women under the age of thirty-five in Berlin, helped in reconstruction, their food rations are cut. Of all the children in Europe between twelve and fifteen, Dr. Buschmeyer said that 75% had tuberculosis.

Blair sent \$1,360 worth of goods, including thirty-one boxes of clothing, to sixteen families, during the year 1947-48.

## Tri-Hi-Y Elects '48 Officers

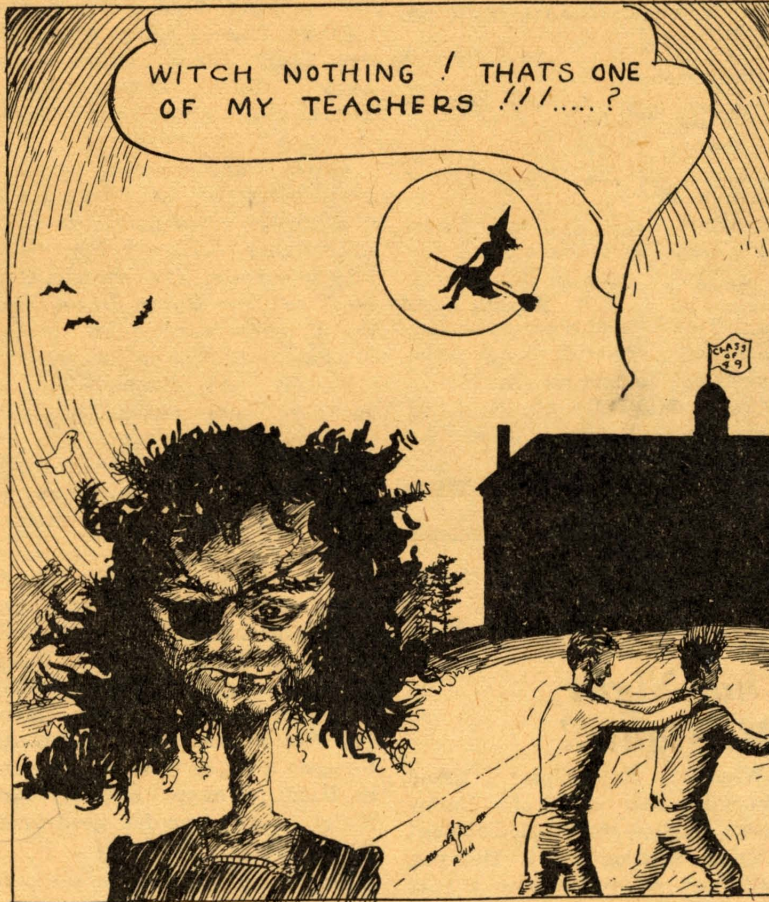
Gay DeNike was voted president at the annual Senior Tri-Hi-Y election, which was held Monday, September 27, at the home of Nancy Simpson.

Pat Cochran was elected vice-president; Barbara MacCollum, recording secretary; and Pat Steele, treasurer.

## Navy Offers Scholarships To Boys Between 17 and 21

Opportunity is knocking again for all male citizens of the United States, between the ages of 17 and 21, to win a Naval Scholarship through the Navy's College Training Program.

Applications must be received by November 15, at the Naval Examining Section, Princeton, New Jersey. The third annual nation-



Blair Teachers?? No!!

## Mrs. Youell Guest Of Student Council

Mrs. Joseph S. Youell, of WGAY radio staff, was guest of the student council at one of their regular meetings recently.

Mrs. Youell, moderator of the teenage forum entitled "Let's Talk It Over," selected the local school group along with the councils of other schools from whom to secure suggestions for topics pertinent to teenagers for discussion on the program, which will begin its second year on November 6 on the local station on Saturdays from 11:30 to 11:45.

## Winning Team of Press Contest to Receive Trophy

A trophy will be awarded to the winning team at The Third Annual Maryland Scholastic Press Tournament, which will be held at the University of Maryland on Saturday, November 6.

This tournament is for all publication advisers and student journalists of high schools in Maryland and the District of Columbia.

This trophy, which will be awarded to the winning team for a possession of one year, is The Cumberland Times-News award and the team may win it permanently by taking top honors of the tournaments three times, not necessarily in succession.

## Pepsi-Cola Scholarships Open; Seniors Eligible for Awards

Blair seniors may again compete this year for Pepsi-Cola College Scholarships.

The awards available include the following: a major four-year college scholarship, honorary scholarships, college entrance prizes, and certificates of distinguished performance.

The major four-year college scholarship pays \$400 each year for four years, and the secondary four-year scholarship pays \$100 each year for four years, both with the provision that the winner enters an accredited academic college or university in the United States. One each will be awarded in the state of Maryland.

A winner of one of the two hundred and fifty college entrance prizes to be distributed throughout the country receives \$50 provided he enters an accredited academic college by the fall term following the winning of the award.

A Certificate of Distinguished Performance is an honorary award which identifies the recipient as a student of exceptional promise.

### Elected by Class

Students eligible to compete will be of a number representing seven per cent of the senior class, who are elected by their classmates as most likely to make an important contribution to human progress. No candidate is eligible for an award unless he has been elected by his classmates or by a student group elected to represent the class.

Each senior elected will take a preliminary written test in school on Wednesday, November 17, starting some time before 10 a. m. The test will be a two-hour test of general scholastic aptitude. No specific courses are required as preparation for the test.

The students in the state who receive the highest scores on this preliminary test will be notified early in December. Each finalist will then be registered to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board to be given at designated centers at 9 a. m. on January 15, 1949. These students must be present at the supervised test on that date to be eligible for consideration.

### Name State Finalists

Finalists in each state will be ranked according to their combined scores on the two sections of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (verbal score plus one-fifth of mathematics score). The five students ranging highest on this combined score will be awarded a major scholarship, the second a secondary scholarship and the next in order will be given College Entrance Prizes up to the number assigned to our state. In case parents are able to send a scholarship winner to college without outside help, his scholarship is made honorary and the next highest scoring pupil with financial need in the state is awarded a four-year college scholarship. While not all finalists win awards, most of them do.

Winners of all awards will be announced early in March, 1949, in order to allow ample time for college.

## Scholarship Offered By Optical Company

A student, selected on records through high school will be eligible to compete for one of the five Science Scholarships sponsored by the Bausch and Lomb Optical Co. Each scholarship has a cash value of \$1,500.

Any students who stand near the top of the class in science studies may check with the head of the science department to determine their eligibility for this competition.

## Try Your Skill

If you write poetry, editorial articles, or short stories, go to your English teacher and secure further information on the Creative Writing Contest sponsored by the Silver Spring Branch of the American Association of University Women. Your topic would be either a civic question or a story dealing with Maryland history.

IF—you enter the best contribution your wallet will bulge with five dollars more. Remember, the contest closes November 30, and material should be submitted to your English teacher.



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## Sad News, Indeed? That Night Of Nights!!

Students walk down the hall with their fingers crossed, mumbling something or other that may sound like Latin, a speech, or chemistry. Everyone is a little anxious and some even a little sad. On teacher's desk lay a couple of nicely wrapped packages which appear very similar to gifts. What is happening? In high school language it means only one thing! Report cards are due!!!

Seriously, if certain folks have been too busy practicing football, or being a "social butterfly," or just too wrapped up in other interests generally, they had better wake up to the fact that school has other purposes than entertainment.

Unless a student has prospects of college, his years in high school are his last and final opportunity to prepare himself for that huge, competing outside world.

Both the college and business world check a person's high school record not only for marks, but also for his seriousness of purpose, industry, initiative, influence, concern for others, responsibility, and emotional stability.

Perhaps it would be best if more students kept these facts in mind when they are tempted to go to that movie, or out with the gang for just a little while instead of completing that book report or page of math due tomorrow.

## Each Smile, A Precious Gem

Friendliness has long been considered a policy of Blair. This warmth among students and teachers alike tends to add vim and pep to football games, an added assurance that those scheduled dances will be even more successful than ever.

Idling crowds of two or more stand about the halls before and after school, chattering over both trivial and impressively important matters. At noon, groups linger about their mid-day meal as one excited blonde recalls the radiant smile her dreamboat has turned upon her as they passed in the hall. Four tables down, the boys ponder over the blue-eyed cheerleader in homeroom, while yet another group intently discuss last week's softball game.

However, in the rush of teenage lives, perhaps few have taken time

Witches! Hobgoblins! Carved pumpkins and candles! Funny masks, parties, and apple-bobbing! Ringing of door bells! Oh, yes, Halloween comes but once a year along with crisp fall air, the fragrance of burning leaves, and brilliant displays of red, brown, orange, and yellow about the countryside.

Although Halloween doesn't hold the same significant mystification as it once did, it still brings to the mind of many teen-agers thoughts of costume dances, pumpkin pie, and wild excitement, spiked with the element of danger, concerning soaping of shop windows and various forms of mischief.

Teen-agers are supposedly mature to the point where they find little or no enjoyment in the Halloween of their childhood of party games and funny masks and "tricks or treats". But as long as the heart is young, many will continue to indulge in the excitement of merrymaking and tormenting such people as those "stuffy folks next door."

Unfortunately, over the long period of development, a wealth of clever ideas has accumulated in certain little minds, ideas designed to stimulate and provide diversion, ideas that need only the opportunity to express themselves. This opportunity readily presents itself on Halloween night, for on that night all the minions of the law have their hands full answering the calls of irate property owners. Complaints, there are, of pesky children and adolescent menaces ringing doorbells and upsetting garbage cans. Now, if ever there was the chance to unleash all of one's diabolical devices upon humanity, this is it!

But hold on now. Are Blairites as bad as all that? Is even one Blairite, on Halloween night, going to deface property and generally aggravate the good citizenry of the community, thus degrading all Blairites in the eyes of the public? Surely not!!

to speak to that new out-of-town boy who hasn't been at Blair very long. Perhaps few have noticed the little brunette and her quiet girl friend who, unknown to the crowd, may be extremely shy yet possessed of charming personalities.

## OVER THE PARTY LINE

Along with the football season comes the season for parties!

The members of last year's Sophomore Library Council attended a dinner party at the home of Percy Goody, recently. Enjoying the delicious food were Bernie Cochran, Colleen Fling, Nick Lee, Ann Craig, Jimmy Baliles, Millie Layton, David Power, Jackie Steele, Bill Larimore, and Joyce Duvall.

Sylvia Reed gave a slumber party before the St. John's game, with guests including Eileen Collins, Nancy Vickers, Bett Gill, Nancy Simpson, Joan Haney, Gay De Nike, Joan Hover, Jessie Pickett, Priscilla Varney, Pat Steele, Mo Sandifer, and Ann Swayzee.

Tommy and Ronnie Troxler spent our "Long-weekend" in North Carolina. Lucky kids!

Susie Mitchell was another lucky one when she journeyed up to Pennsylvania, also over the "Long-weekend".

Jean Holland, Eleanor Wood, Marian Marshall, Janet Kuhn, Dave Gardner, Ed Chapin, Bob Cushman, Bunky Woolard, Ricky Harrison, John Kennedy, Walt Chamblin, Frank Gossman, Morgan Wooten, Jack Amick and Louie Simpson dropped in to wish Beverly Hunt a happy birthday last week! Here's one for good luck, Bev!

Betty Lou Edmonds is recuperating from an appendectomy. We hear she got lots of flowers and candy. Not bad!

The Senior Chapter of Tri-Hi-Y (with dates) went on a hayride to Great Falls last Friday. Having a good time despite the cold weather were Joan Wright, George Candish, Eileen Collins, Tommy Clark, Mo Sandifer, Roy Routt, Jessie Pickett, Warren Russell, Pat Steele, George Dove, Barbara McCollum, Ron Sowrey, Pat Frazier, Bill Osmann, Nancy Vickers, Sonny Kal, Priscilla Ridge, Don Arminger, Joanne Taylor, Roland Jones, Pat Cochran, John Linton, Betty Gill, Johnny Theofield, Joan Hover, Vic Jungk, Joan Haney, Doonie Waldron, Nancy Simpson, Chuck Richards, Sylvia Reed, Ted Smith, Gay DeNike, Sam Firebaugh, Joan Hedgecock, Harry Lockwood, Winnie Winn, Bill Simons, Pat Hamilton, and Baynard Cherrix.

I ran up the door,  
I closed the stairs.  
I said my shoes,  
I took off my prayers.  
I turned out the bed.  
I jumped in the light.  
Darling,—all because  
You kissed me good-night!

I had a date with Peter  
One fall Friday night,  
For I adored my Peter  
With his eyes so bright—  
When the clock struck eight  
And Peter did not come,  
My heart was filled with hate  
And Peter was a bum.  
—Fairfacts.

My lady be wary of Cupid  
And list to the lines of this  
verse.  
To let a fool kiss you is stupid.  
To let a kiss fool you is worse.  
—Sherwood Bark.

The gang you "run around with" is simply marvelous and everlasting fun, no doubt about it! But nevertheless, a nod to a familiar face and a cheerful smile for all may be just the thing to boost individual morale as well as the Blair spirit!

## Meet "Nancy With the Smiling Face"!

"Nancy!" her mother called, "Naaancy!" The answering voice came from beneath the "Gee-Gee Jr." (Special hot-rod deluxe). Then the rest of the voice emerged and Marquerite Ellen Simpson came forth and greeted me.

"Did you drop something in the motor?" I asked innocently. A smile spread over her face. "I LOVE to fiddle with cars and mess around with them," Nancy replied, wiping her hands daintily on her jeans.

By now you probably have the idea that Nancy's quite a girl. Well, she is!

Nancy was born in good ol' Washington, D. C., August 5, 1931. She attended St. Michael's for eight years and then on to bigger and better (?) things—Blair!

Nancy, who is one of the original majorettes, progressed to the top rank of leader this year.

She is an active member of Tri-Hi-Y, the Dance committee, *Silverlogue*, and the Library Club. Then she takes time out to declare, "I'm lazy, I don't like to do any kind of work!"

Nancy plans to go to college and major in art, languages and English, and would like to be a commercial artist, but adds "I'll probably be a housewife, IF I'm lucky."

## Date Data

### Ideal Girl Date

Hair-do neat, dresses, too.  
Lipstick light, no facial "goo."  
Merry laugh, can take a joke,  
Drinks no more than "shake or coke;  
Not too shy, not too free,  
But one who sort-of goes for me!!!

Not an "isolationist"  
But not a flirt,  
A good conversationalist  
No swooner at a "shirk"  
A real "neat dresser"  
Who is never late  
Who thinks me no C. Gable,  
That's the super date.

### Ideal Boy Date

Tall and dark but not too handsome  
Full of vim, one who can dance some.  
Not a wolf, but not too shy,  
Not too mushy—a regular guy.  
Recipe:  
1 cup personality;  
½ cup popularity;  
1 tablespoon of wit;  
A pinch of good looks;  
Mix well with "neat dressing"  
And what do you have?  
The ideal boy date.

## Drink Acid And Lye?

Mix a little hydrochloric acid with some lye, shake, pour into glasses and serve with cheese and crackers. Tell your guests it's an "Atomic Highball."

But seriously, did you know that lye and hydrochloric acid is a harmless drink if mixed in the right proportions? You didn't? Well, neither did anyone of Mrs. Macdonald's chemistry classes until last week, when she announced the grim fact that the whole class would drink the concoction later on in the term.

*Silver Chips* will be sure to have a staff of reporters there—picture the headlines—"Chemistry teacher and entire class found dead."

Mrs. Macdonald says that as far



She has two French poodles, loves popcorn, and chicken in every form except the egg, is fond of dancing (any kind), hard ball, twirling the baton, and drawing. Her favorite color is red, likes the "programs that give away money", thinks she's "slightly temperamental", and doesn't claim dislike for anything.

Nancy says she has a "special weakness for boys" (but then who doesn't?)

Reckon' we should let you in on a little secret, Nancy—We got a special weakness for you too, gal!

## Latest Discs

And how's your knowledge of the titles of songs? It's really lots of fun to gather round and listen to "Stop The Music" and try to guess the titles. Who knows, someday you might win a thousand dollars. Then it's sometimes fun to play "song title guessing games." So, if any of you are planning parties, here's some first class information on the latest hit discs.

Watch for Columbia's Buddy Clark with "Here I'll Stay," and "Rendezvous With A Rose," Kay Kyser's "On a Slow Boat to China," and Dinah Shore's "What Did I Do?"

From R. C. A. Victor there are "Tea Leaves" by Freddie Gardner, Sidney Bechets' "Twelfth Street Rag", and "Hair of Gold" by Jack Lathrop.

Now, coming back to Columbia again. Be sure to hear Gene Krupa and "It's Up to You." Also Duke Ellington with "Don't Be So Mean to Baby".

Then there are a lot of old-time tunes being revived such as "Little White Lies" by Dick Haymes for Decca; "Maybe You'll Be There" by Gordon Jenkins for Decca, and "Begin The Bequine".

Also look for "It Only Happens When I Dance With You" by Perry Como; "True" by Billy Eckstine; and "Confess" by Patty Page.

Well, kids, time to go for now so happy listin' and dreamy dancin'!

as taste is concerned, the beverage offers little competition to such drinks of Pepsi-Cola and root beer. She also emphasizes that no one try the experiment who doesn't have a good knowledge of chemistry—the chemicals have to be mixed in a definite proportion.

Mrs. Macdonald has borrowed a trick from the serial writers and comic strip creators—she is not revealing the secret yet, thus forcing her class to attend regularly.

Oh, yes, Mrs. Macdonald's classes may be lethal, but they're never dull!



## Well-Known Authoress Joins Blair Faculty

Mrs. Julia Collins Ardayne, a well known author although unknown to many Blairites, was born in Brazil, Indiana.

Before coming to Blair Mrs. Ardayne taught in several places, such as Knoxville, Tenn., Puerto Rico, and Panama, where she taught English, and also in Virginia, where Spanish was her specialty.

Coming to Montgomery County in 1933, Mrs. Ardayne has taught at S. S. I., Montgomery Hills, and Gaithersburg. During her first year at Blair she is teaching Spanish, Latin, and English.

When asked what she likes most about teaching, Mrs. Ardayne replied, "Kids—I love 'em. And as for Blair, it's just wonderful—with a capital 'W'."

A great deal of Mrs. Ardayne's poetry has been published in such well known magazines and newspapers as Ladies Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post, New York Times, and Washington Star.

## Honor Society Elects Peggy Davis President

Election of officers highlighted the first business meeting of the '49 Chapter of the Honor Society held recently at the home of Peggy Davis.

Peggy was elected to the office of president and Don Markle to that of vice-president; Ronnie Troxler, secretary; Priscilla Ridge, treasurer; and Bette Gill, historian.

Since the "B" and Key awards have been eliminated, the monogram letter is now the highest honor at Blair. After receiving the monogram for compiling 1000 points in various school activities, Blairites are then invited to join the Honor Society.

The Society is publishing a handbook, containing policies and regulations, which went to press a few weeks ago.

## Library Club Scares 11

Eleven anxious Blairites were initiated into the Library Club on the night of September 27.

Comprising the victims were

## Men For Sale!!

Where is the only place you can get Blair stationery, beanies, pennants, and belts?

Where is the most convenient place to buy school supplies such as notebooks, paper and pencils?

Where is the school lost and found bureau?

Where can you buy little men? The Blair store, on the second floor of the old building, is the answer to all these questions.

The store, now in its fourth year of operation, is under the supervision of Miss Susan Aud, the mathematics teacher. Under Miss Aud are manager Nancy Davis, senior; and Charles Brailer, assistant manager, junior. Nancy and Charles have two sophomore helpers, Mary Ann Eichhorn and Joan Keagle. Among the four, and Miss Aud, all the various duties are distributed.

Almost all school supplies, such as notebooks, paper, pencils, ink, erasers, scotch tape, protractors, compasses and reinforcements can be bought here, as well as special Blair novelties like Blair pennant, beanies, stationery, and decals, which, of course, cannot be purchased elsewhere. Prices are about the same as in other stores; some items are a cent or so lower or higher. However, one real bargain is a leather belt with a large Blair buckle, which sells for \$2.04 at Blair, about two less than at other stores.

Carrying a balance of \$400.81 from last year, "the store sold \$170 worth of merchandise during September," to quote Miss Aud. Although the store is run on a profit basis, all the money cleared goes to the Student Council. The remuneration Nancy and her helpers get is 299 monogram points a year.

Little men will soon be sold at the store. Don't get excited, girls! "Little men" are only statuettes of football players.

Carol Whitt, Marion Marshall, Paul Taggart, Sue Mitchell, Marion Edwards, Elsie Bevan, Dottie Shepard, Betty Sullivan, Frank Simons, Elizabeth Cave, and Chuck Richards.

## Tri-Hi-Y Holds Huge Initiation

Blair's halls looked as though they had been the target for an invasion from Mars on Thursday, September 30. Odd looking characters marched through the buildings, sporting ten braids apiece and swinging washbuckets.

Actually nothing more alarming than the inventive minds of the Tri-Hi-Y were behind the spectacle, but that was enough. All sophomores entering the club were ordered to wear clothes backwards and inside-out with as clashing a color combination as they could get together. Some of the results were overpowering. Charlene Kreh, Jean Edwards, and Sally Baehr were pictures of radiance (Flashing like neon signs) in purples, oranges, and red. Peggy Holt and Dea Shaw were typical examples with floppy bathing caps, and one tennis shoe and one sandal.

## Quill and Scroll Sponsors Contest

An editorial writing contest sponsored by Quill and Scroll, will be held at Blair on November 12, room 310, fifth period.

This contest is open to all students and the best work will be judged by a faculty committee. Winners will be announced in the December or January issue of Quill and Scroll. The ten top national winners will receive Quill and Scroll Keys and will be eligible to compete for the President's Scholarship Award.

## Blair Graduates Remain Occupied

Jackie Heffner '46 will return to the United States early in November, after a two-year stay in Germany, where her father is stationed with the United States Army. While there, Jackie completed her high-school education at Frankford High and took advantage of her opportunity to visit many places in Europe.

Mrs. John Richard Bowman, the former Emily Ferguson '46, is now living in Baltimore, where her husband is attending the University of Maryland Law School. Mrs. John W. Huckert, formerly Cathy Musselwhite, '46, is living in Sunnybrook, Maryland.

### Doris Johnson to Wed

Pat Mason, '46, was hostess recently at a bridal shower in honor of Doris Johnson, '48, whose marriage to "Sonny" Johnson will take place on November twenty-seventh.

Lois Griesmer entertained at a stork shower earlier this month in honor of Mrs. Robert Xander, formerly Hildegarde Doten, '46. Several of her former classmates attended, including Nancy Norman, Sally Johnson, Jackie Runkle, Sue Harper, Ann Whitcomb, Joanne Foster, and Marguerite Kost.

Those wishing to compete may give their names to Joyce Darby or Mrs. Moler, room 310 before November 10.

Topics will not be announced until contestants report for the contest. Forty-five minutes will be allowed for writing.

A stork shower for Mrs. Carl Burris, the former Shirley Hall, '47, was given by Miriam Knight and Katherine Bliss. Among the guests were Mrs. Alfred Schrider, Mrs. Al Anderson, Pat Hall, Enid Bean, and Elizabeth O'Connor.

Peggy Bowman, '48, last year's majorette is now, it is understood, the leading majorette in the Washington American Legion Band. Lois Ireland, '47, one of our first majorettes, is now one over at Md. U.

### Nurses Capped

Agnes Thompson, '46, is in training at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, after having completed two years' work with the Church Home and Intirmity Hospital of Baltimore.

Joanne Zieber, '47, received her nurse's cap from Reading Hospital, Pennsylvania, early this summer, but has returned for two years of advanced training.

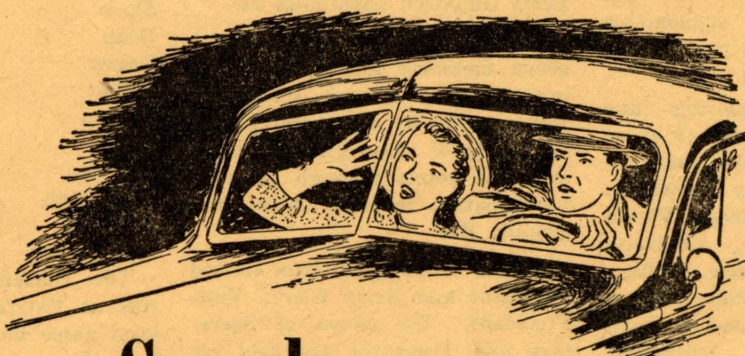
"Nicky" Nicholson and Shirley Workman, '46, are in their first six months of training at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore.

Kay Inscoc, '46, has dropped her career, however, and is now employed as a draftsman at American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

### Many at College

Dick Weiss, '46, has enrolled at Maryland University after serving with the United States Army in Japan for the past two years.

Jimmy Estes, who was elected "Most Athletic" of his '46 class, is now attending the University of Kentucky.



## Saved... by Anna!

It was a quiet night in June. There were few calls on Anna's lone switchboard. Suddenly, at 2:30 a.m. one of the call lights flashed frantically.

"Operator! A car just crashed through the side of the High Street bridge onto the tracks below! And the express is due in 10 minutes!"

Anna flew into action. The train must be stopped! Having no direct line to the nearest signal tower, Anna called the train dispatcher at a station 15 miles away. Quickly she told the story. She was assured that the train would be flagged at once.

Immediately, Anna turned her attention to the car and its occupants. Unable to reach local police, she soon had State Police speeding to the scene. Aid was given the motorists. Trains were rerouted. By mid-morning crews had cleared the tracks and service was resumed.

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**Win up to \$100 and be on the RADIO!**



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**HERE'S WHAT YOU DO:** First, begin by turning to the comic pages of The Post and get acquainted with "The Saint." Next, decide what you want to say about this new mystery comic. Then say it—in a slogan, a jingle, what have you. With or without sound effects indicated—it doesn't matter.

Finally, write your slogan on a piece of paper, put on your name, address, age and school and send it to the "Saint Mystery Comic" Contest Editor, The Washington Post, Washington 4, D. C. You may enter as many slogan ideas as you wish. Be sure your name and address are on each one.

The contest lasts until October 31. Entries received after October 31 will not even be opened. So get going—now. Read the Saint Comic in The Washington Post. Put on your thinking cap. Try your idea out on your family. Then send it in. In case two or more persons send in the same slogan, the one reaching the judges first will be considered original, so it pays to get your ideas in right away.



# Date Changes in Rockville Game

Tomorrow, Saturday, at 2:30 P. M., Blair will play Richard Montgomery eleven, at Rockville, rather than today as previously scheduled.

A parade through Rockville streets, preceding the game, will feature Richard Montgomery's newly-organized band, Blair's band, drum majorettes, and pom-pom girls, and prominent Montgomery County citizens, the latter leading the groups.

Coach Continetti predicts a tough game, as "They've been laying for us." Richard Montgomery has held several pep rallies this week, as this is their biggest game of the season. Although Blair has defeated Richard Montgomery three times in as many games, the latter has a strong team this year, particularly in the backfield. Last year Blair shut out Rockville, 30-0. So far this year, Rockville has lost to Westminster and Devitt and has defeated Frederick and Herndon.

Coaches of the respective teams have released the following as their probable starting line-ups:

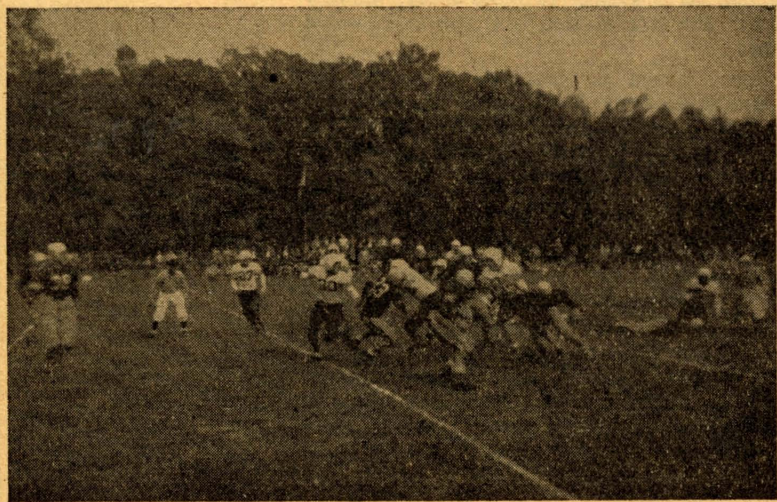
Blair		Rockville
Thompson	L.E.	Headly
Robins	L.T.	Merson
Harrison	L.G.	Adams
Kennedy	C.	Richard
Butler	R.G.	Duley
Davis	R.T.	Shattuck
Richards	R.E.	Redifer
Mess	Q.B.	Brodie
Theofield	L.H.	King
Luckett	R.H.	Driscue
Cushman	F.B.	Leighton

## Coach Chooses Hockey Team

With a clashing of sticks and a few bruises here and there, a large number of girls turned out for hockey. Many sophomores came out, which gives promise for future hockey seasons.

After much wondering and guessing, Miss Jean Baker chose the Blair girls' hockey team as follows—the charging forwards: Evelyn Bean, Sue Mitchell, Vivian Cherrix, Bea Shaw, Charlotte Bergmann, Betty Jane Collier, Dorothy Hanlon, Judy Davis, Dorothy Richardson, and Barbara Bagby; the helpful halfbacks: Joan Membert, Margie Hardee, Ruth Bauman, Laura Soule, and Bettie Gleim; and the flashy fullbacks: Alice Warfield, Betty Pemberton, Nan Wienman, and Sargene Benson. The goal is guarded by Nancy McInnerney and Nancy Pederson.

## Support Your Team



Luckett carries Blair to its first long gain against St. Johns, October 9. Other Blair men paving the way are Bob Cushman (30), Bill Mess (36), and Walt Chamblin (31).

## Blair Wins First; Beat Fairfax 20-13

Blair won its first night game of the season by defeating Fairfax, at Fairfax, 20-13.

Blair was the first to score when Bob Cushman, on a center buck ran over from the ten yard line. Blair then kicked to Fairfax and, through fine defensive line play and hard tackling by Harrison, Chamblin, Kennedy and Davis, the Blazers were able to capture passes of the ball deep in Fairfax territory. Luckett then scored by sprinting his own left end for 30 yards. Richards converted the extra point and Blair was in the lead 13-0. Then Fairfax came booming back and scored once before the half, making the score 13-6 at half time.

Returning to the field after one of those famous Continetti "pep talks", the Blazers proceeded to march to another score, early in the third quarter. Thompson scored this time on a long pass from Luckett after faking an end run. Bob was all alone on the ten-yard line and, after catching the ball, ran the remaining yards untouched.

Late in the last quarter Fairfax again scored, but it was too late to do any harm as Blair won its first night game, 20-13, before about 2,000 enthused fans.

## "B" Club Members Elect Officers

The first "B" Club meeting of the year was held at the home of Betty Gleim on September 21.

The club is beginning with seven members and is anticipating a much larger group by spring, since its membership consists only of those girls attaining sufficient points through athletics participation to earn them their chenille B's.

Dorcas McLaughlin was elected President and Betty Gleim, Vice-President. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer are held respectively by Betty Pemberton and Beverly Hunt.

The "B" Club, as a service unit, would make available its services to assist in various school and civic functions.

Plans for the year include such events as the Slumber Party, the Varsity Party, at the end of the year, and the selling of "B" Club pencils, which are being ordered.

## Westminster Beaten 25-12

One week before the St. Johns game Blair beat Westminster, Maryland, 25-12 here at Blair. This game was captained by Ed Robins and was Blair's second win in three starts.

Blair's Ray Luckett scored first for the red and white on a ten-yard end run. Bob Cushman was next and Chuck Richards third. The fourth was a repeat by Luckett and at that point Coach "Cye" Continetti sent in his substitutes in hope that they might gain needed experience for future use.

Westminster, insulted by this act, quickly scored twice and the first stringers were re-enlisted.

## Tech Defeats Blair 19-0

Blair opened its season by dropping their first game to McKinley Tech, 19-0, here at Blair.

Tech was at its best the whole game, while Blair, sloppy at the start, never was able to recover and score as it had done in past years.

Despite this defeat Coach Continetti has pulled his team together and has won three games straight.

## Girls Lose Opening Games

The first girls' hockey game was held here at Blair on October 12 with Annapolis. The only score was in the first half. Annapolis won with a score of 1-0. The lineup was as follows:

Blair	Position	Annapolis
Richardson	L.W.	Bounelis
Shaw	L.I.	Deale
Bean	C.F.	Simons
Bagby	R.I.	Collins
Collier	R.W.	Pfaulty
Benson	L.H.	Bansan
Gleim	C.H.	Loughlin
Bowman	R.H.	Sluller
Pemberton	L.F.B.	Asher
Warfield	R.F.B.	Winter
McInnerney	G.K.	Young

The Blazerettes' second game was at Fairfax. Blair played a good game but lost to a stronger team by a score of 3-1. Evelyn Bean made Blair's only score.

Blair	Position	Fairfax
Richardson	L.W.	Hutchins
Shaw	L.I.	Lacy
Bean	C.F.	Rowland
Bagby	R.I.	Canbale
Cherrix	R.W.	Hulchins
Benson	L.H.	McKenna
Gleim	C.H.	Gran
Bowman	R.H.	Smith
Pemberton	L.F.B.	Gerbsin
Warfield	R.F.B.	Shocksy
McInnerney	G.K.	Farney

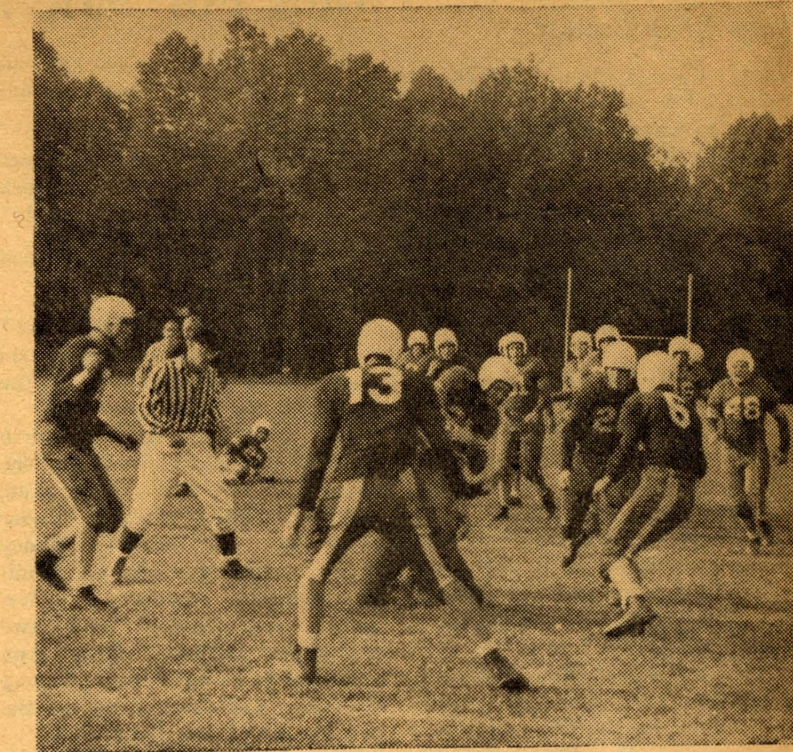
# Blazers Down Johnnies, 19-6

To pull their first surprising upset of the season, the Blair eleven smothered the St. John's Cadets 19-6, last October 9.

The massacre took place in the newly finished Blair Stadium before a stupefied crowd of 4,200 who were held breathless for the entire four quarters.

Blair won the flip, and Captain Bill Mess chose to receive. St. John's Captains were All-Prep Dave Waldron and Benny Wallace.

The cadets kicked and Bob Cushman returned it to St. John's 46-yard line. Blair then marched 29 yards, where they finally lost



Chuck Richards picks up six yards on reverse against Westminster. Westminster players shown are Doyle (13), Grossman (6). Blairites shown are Richards (with ball), Chamblin (31), and Frenzel (23).

## Blair Bows to Gonzaga; 0-0 at Half

Despite Bob Cushman's sensational 90-yard touchdown run, Gonzaga High whipped the Blazers 24-7 last Saturday.

The first half was scoreless and comparatively uneventful. Ray Luckett was passing and running well, and featured in almost every play. The most spectacular play of the first quarter was a reverse fired by Ray. Downs, who intercepted a Gonzaga pass, dropped it.

In the second quarter two of Luckett's passes were incomplete and one was intercepted, but still neither team seemed to have the advantage. Thompson, Harrison and Mess did some nice tackling.

### Tide Changes

However, the handwriting on the wall became visible in the opening minutes of the third quarter, as Blair's line seemed incapable of resisting the charging Eagles, who gained 90 yards on running and passing. The feature of this long march was a smooth 20-yard double reverse operated by O'Keefe, Gates, and Hogan. Hogan claimed the drive by crashing over from Blair's seven for pay dirt. The try for an extra point failed.

Blair fumbled twice before Jimmie Downs' fumble was recovered by Gonzaga's Mike Nolan for another six points.

Gonzaga's third touchdown was the result of the interception of a pass by Luckett. The kick was blocked.

Bob Cushman received Gon-

zaga's kick-off on Blair's 10-yard line, and avoiding several would-be tacklers, raced down a clear field with 21 men following him.

### Cushman Scores

The crowd stood and roared even as Cushman began his 90-yard drive. Then, as they saw him sidestepping his opponents and swiftly leaving them behind, they began to realize what was happening. Cushman ran almost the entire field close to the right sidelines, and during the last 20 or so yards, no one was even near him.

Cowbells and hand-sirens joined the hundreds of cheering voices as Bob crossed the goal line for what was to be Blair's only touchdown of the game. Ray Luckett passed just over the line to Richards for the extra point.

Gonzaga's fourth touchdown came when Bill Mess' outside kick was fumbled by Blair and pounced on by an Eagle on their own 45-yard line. Hogan then passed to Nolan on Blair's eight, and Gates crossed for a touchdown. The kick was again bad.

Although they both tried hard, neither the Blazers nor the Eagles could add any points to the score. After this, the Blazers fumbled on their 45 and Gonzaga recovered. However, the Blazers held them successfully. Blair again had possession of the ball but again fumbled, and the game ended as Gonzaga recovered.

Luckett to Downs gave Blair its first score before half time.

### Blair Scores Again

The second half found Blair dominating the field of play with Richards catching a 40-yard pass from Luckett for Blair's second score.

Larimore then caught Luckett's short pass for the extra point. The score then read Blair, 13; St. John's, 0. However only four minutes later "Mr." Luckett raced 32 yards for Blair's final tally. St. Johns scored late in the final stanza, when Nicky Merola made a fine 24-yard run through the Blair first-string line.



## New Flags Fly At Assemblies

### Bob Alexander Accepts National, State Flags

Two new flags, the Stars and Stripes and the Maryland State, will fly at future Blair assemblies thanks to the American Legion Auxiliary of the Cissel Saxon Post, No. 41.

The two flags were presented at the Armistice Day Assembly, November 11, by officials of the Auxiliary and accepted by Bob Alexander, president of the student council, on behalf of Blair.

#### Flags Displayed

The assembly was opened with a Bible reading, and the Lord's Prayer by all present. Mr. De Lauder then introduced Commander William Parker, who in turn introduced the visiting Legionnaires, Mr. Joseph Fields, Vice Commander of the American Legion, Southern Maryland District; Mrs. Tony Smith, president of the Auxiliary in this area; Mrs. Engle, head of the Americanism Unit; Mrs. Stangri, member of the Auxiliary, and the guest speaker, Mr. Lee Pennington, an assistant director of the F. B. I. and a veteran of World War I.

After Commander Parker called the honor guard, Mrs. Engle and Mrs. Smith displayed the flags, and Mrs. Smith made the presentation.

#### Preserve Democracy

Mr. Pennington then gave his address, which dealt mainly with our great debt to "our honored dead" of the two wars, and the threat of communism to the democracy which they died to preserve. Mr. Pennington also told of the cooperation given to the FBI by the American Legion during the last war.

## Pullen Explains Educational Needs

Dr. Thomas G. Pullen, Jr., state superintendent of Public Instruction in Maryland, spoke at the P. T. A. meeting last Wednesday evening, November 17.

"Professional Development of the Schools of Maryland in Relation to the National Picture" was his topic, in which he emphasized the philosophy and curriculum in the high school.

"If secondary education is good for the 7 out of 10 pupils of high-school age in the United States today, then it should be good for 10 out of 10," he maintained. Abilities and interests of all youth must be discovered, he pointed out, in order to see that the curriculum develops youth that are civic- and social-minded, vocationally intelligent, and appreciative of beauty in all things.

Dr. Pullen was introduced by Mr. George Pryor, President of the P. T. A.

### Seniors View "Hamlet"

Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, starring Laurence Olivier, at the Little Theater and Playhouse is attracting a number of senior students who are studying the play as part of their English course.

Miss Silvey's classes are planning an afternoon excursion next Monday, November 22. Planning to leave school at noon the students will reach the Little Theater in time for the 2:30 p. m. matinee.

Pupils in Miss Wood's senior English classes viewed *Hamlet* on November 9, while Mrs. Moler had taken a small group two weeks previously.

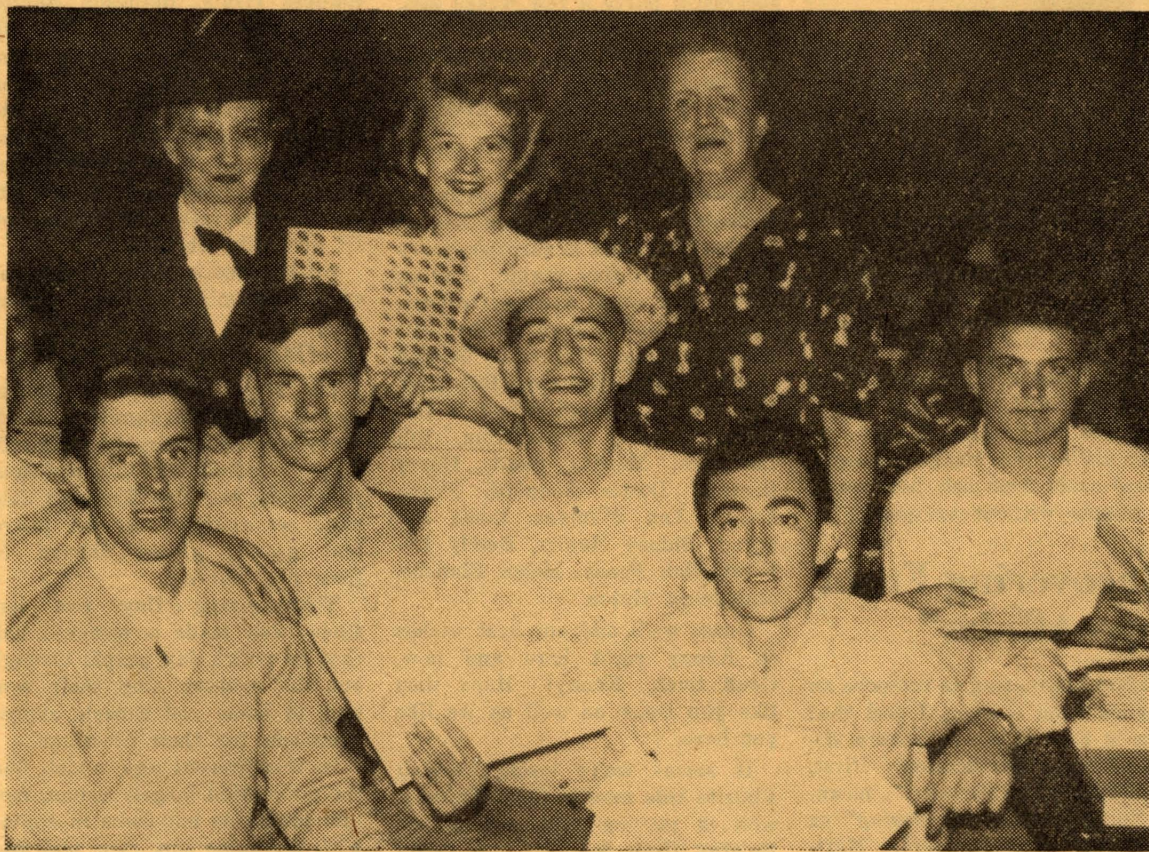
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## Library Club Labors "After Hours"



Among library club members reporting for a night session to fold tuberculosis seals for distribution to Montgomery County citizens are left to right, seated: Johnny Ford, Chuck Richards, Paul Taggart, Danny Lyons, and Sid Butler; back row, Miss Julia Foley, school nurse in charge of preparation of seals for the county, Muriel Sandifer, club president, and Miss Elizabeth Stickley, librarian.

## Fewer to Work On Xmas Jobs

Fewer students will be excused from school to work this Christmas season than in previous years.

Applications for pre-holiday employment will be carefully screened by a faculty committee on the basis of financial need, need of work experience, ability to miss school, and the need of the students' regular employer (if any) for extra help.

Blair students will be given detailed information about the Christmas work program and are requested not to apply to Mr. Cummings before they have read it.

Students wishing to be excused for work must have the promise of a definite job, present written requests from their parents and employers, and the approval of their teachers.

## Student Writers Compete For Coveted Trophy

Blair writers competed for the coveted *Cumberland Times News* Trophy with journalists from other Maryland and District schools at Maryland University on November 6.

The writing tournament was part of the third annual convention of the Maryland Scholastic Press Association. Blair journalists who wrote in the contest were Joan Hattersley, Paul Taggart, Andy Russo, and Nick Lee.

The trophy was awarded to The *Easterner* of Eastern High School in Washington. *Silver Chips* received honorable mention in the newspaper evaluation contest.

Three journalism students who

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## Scholarships Are Offered Senior Boys by Navy

Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps offerings were explained to interested senior and junior academic boys by Commander Lorch at an assembly last Wednesday.

A movie was featured in which the entire program of the N. R. O. T. C. was set forth in detail: a four-year scholarship to any of fifty-two colleges, choice of courses, free tuition, books, etc., \$500 annually for living expenses, naval training during the summer, and a commission after graduation followed by two years in the Navy and four years in the Naval Reserve.

#### Age Determines Eligibility

To be eligible to take part in this program the student must be between seventeen and twenty-one years of age on July 1, 1949. He must be single and in perfect physical condition.

The scholarships are to be secured on a state-wide competitive basis. An examination will be held in the schools on December 11, 1948. Applications for the examination must have been in Princeton, New Jersey, by November 15 of this year.

In 1946 three of Maryland's quota of seventeen were filled by students from Blair.

Further information and application blanks may be obtained from Miss Schwartz.

## Little Men Now on Sale

"Varsity Vic," the little football player statuette, has arrived at the Blair Store. The dolls have a red and white "B" on a red sweater and sell for 90c.

## Champ to Perform Typing Dec. 14

Albert Tangore, the world's fastest typist, will demonstrate the proper use of a typewriter to Blair typing classes on December 14 in the gymnasium.

Mr. Tangore won the championship on a Royal Magic Margin with an average of 146 net words per minute.

The typing classes will see Mr. Tangore show the correct typing posture, and will learn how to finger the keyboard, and develop rhythm.

Students in the office practice classes saw the demonstration of the dictophone on November 8 by Mr. John P. Dunnigan, who explained the principles of the dictophone and its use. All students of the class have recorded and heard their voice on a dictophone.

## Two Councils Guard Foes' Bonfires Tonight

Bethesda's Student Council will protect Blair's bonfire tonight while Bob Alexander and his Council associates will do likewise for the B.-C. C. pyre.

This arrangement is in line with the strict enforcement of the policy recently adopted by the Inter-High Student Council, that any rivalry in the forms of property defacement prior to any game between two Montgomery County schools will automatically cancel that game. The County Principals' Association has also approved the measure.

There is an understanding between Blair and Bethesda that outside the respective councils no Blair student is to attend the Barons' bonfire and vice versa.

## Students Select Class Officers

### Bob Theofield Succeeds Brother as Sr. President

Bob Theofield was elected president of the senior class last week, while Bill Larimore and Charles Crum were chosen leaders of the junior and sophomore groups respectively, the week before.

Bob is the second member of the Theofield family to hold the presidency of the senior class, his brother Johnny having held that office last year.

#### Other Officers Elected

John Ford was elected vice-president of the seniors with Jessie Pickett, secretary; George Candish, treasurer; and Dick Walker, monogram representative.

The vice-president of the junior class is Dick Fene; secretary, Joyce Duvall; treasurer, Bill Diedrich, monogram representative, Beverly Alexander.

Kenneth Pittman was selected vice-president of the sophomore class with Mark Chadwick, treasurer; Charlene Kreh, secretary; and Joanne Lewellan, monogram representative.

#### New Leaders Active

Many of the new officers have been active in athletics. Bob Theofield was on last year's basketball team and is currently a member of the Blair football squad. John Ford was on the football, basketball, and baseball teams last year. Bill Larimore was on the basketball team last year and is a member of this year's football team.

Dick Fene is new at Blair but has made many friends already. He was president of the Student Council of Montgomery Hills Junior High in the ninth grade.

Charles Crum, president of the sophomore class, came from Takoma Junior High, where he was president of the Student Council.

## Librarians Prepare Tuberculosis Seals

Approximately forty present and prospective members of the Library Club met in the library, October 20, to help in preparing tuberculosis seals and letters for mailing the next day.

These letters, with the seals, were sent out to residents of Montgomery County to aid the fight against T. B. Each letter contained three sheets of seals, a letter of explanation, and a return envelope.

Miss Julia Foley, school nurse for the Eastern Suburban area, was in charge of the project. Her sister, Miss Ann Foley, lent her assistance all evening.

The students working on the project were Vic Jungk, Dick Nichols, Bill Larimore, Bob Theofield, Elizabeth Cave, Judy Anderson, Elsie May Bevan, Joe Miller, Percy Goody, Chuck Richards, Johnny Ford, B. B. Smith, Danny Lyons, Joyce King, Sid Butler, Helen Brennan, Mary Brennan, Bill Riggs, Paul Taggart, Nick Lee, Coleen Fling, Peggy Davis, Johnny Gallagher, Susie Mitchell, Pat Parkman, Evelyn Bean, Betty Gene Collier, Joanne Taylor, Joan Hattersley, Pat Cochran, Lucille Ovenden, Bernie Cochran, Joan Hover, Sylvia Reed, Gay De Nike, John Engleton, Mildred Layton, Eileen Collins, Bett Gill, Barbara MacCollum, and Muriel Sandifer.

After three hours of hard work, a social hour followed, including refreshments.



## Active Anne Acts "Awful" Scared?

The frightened senior cringed in her desk as the cruel sophomore reporter approached her.

"I'm scared," squeaks Anne in a small voice.

"There's nothing to it," say I, in a tremulous roar.

"Okay," she said in a normal (?) voice which should be loud, owing to the fact that she's a cheerleader.

Anne really isn't like this at all, but it makes a good beginning paragraph.

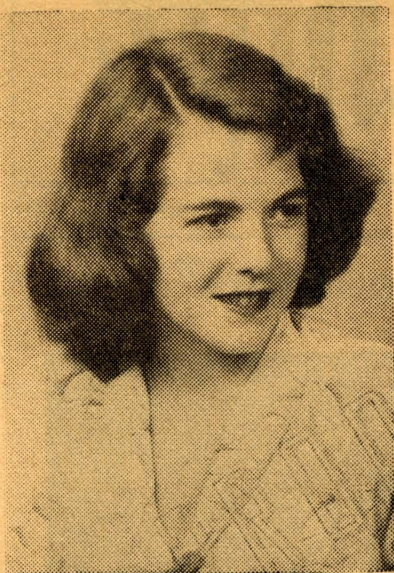
Anne was born in far fields from good ol' Silver Spring; the happy event occurred in Chicago, Illinois, June 5, 1931. She attended (regularly, we hope) Montgomery Hills Junior High School.

This is Anne's second year as a cheerleader, and this year she is chief captain in charge of loud yells.

She is a most active member of the Tri-Hi-Y, the Student Council, Library Club, Honor Society, CARE Committee, Dance Committee, and the Inter High County Council.

Anne plans to go to either Swarthmore or Middlebury College. After college she has no definite plans, but she adds that after a year or two she'd like to get married and raise a family of five children.

She likes ice-cream, fried chicken, chocolate mints, French fried potatoes, onions, plus the old



stand-by, steak. Her favorite color is royal blue. Horse back riding and swimming are her favorite sports.

Anne likes run to food, Blair, movies, classical music, blue jeans, Curly and Nibs, AND Frank.

Her dislikes are nagging people, seafood aside from fish, homework, and people without sympathy.

## "Recovering From Love Affairs"

Before attempting to compose an essay on such a topic, I feel that there is a need for a certain degree of term clarification. First, we find the verb "recover", meaning "to get back after losing" or "to regain consciousness". Next, the phrase, "love affair", meaning "a condition of mutual love" or an "amour". To delve deeper, an "amour" is defined as "a love affair of illicit nature". Not daring to go further into definitions, we find ourselves with the topic, "How To Get Back Lost Love" or "Regaining Consciousness After An Illicit Affair". Really now, is this what we call progressive education?

Or are we perhaps to assume that all high school students are constantly involved in affairs of puppy love, at their termination, leave the poor child seeking a means of recovery? For these bewildered adolescents, "recovery" may mean "a regaining of consciousness", which will, in all probability, last for a period of not more than a week, when they will once again sink into the unconscious realm of "love". But for the person who has known real heartbreak, there is no "recovery", unless the lost love is somehow regained. New experiences may replace old memories, but long after the wounds have healed, the scars will remain.

## Thumb Nail Sketches

Betty Page Lowe—Senior, nicknamed B. P. by her friends—has brown hair and blue eyes—hobby is singing, takes voice lessons—likes one certain man, football games, and dogs—dislikes rumors, baseball—plans to go in Nurse's training after graduation (dreamer).

Joan Baker—blond, blue eyed Cheerleader—member of Junior Tri-Hi-Y—likes basketball and boys (look out you fellows!)—hobby is dancing—plans to go to college—pals with Pat and Luanne.

Sally Baehr—newcomer from "Monkey Hills"—member of Tri-Hi-Y—acrobat in majorettes—likes dancing and sports (all kinds)—brunette with blue eyes—ambition to be dancing teacher or a professional dancer—

## Over the Party Line

If you couldn't even hear yourself think last Friday night, the cause was probably the racket made at Eleanor Wood's Hen Party. Gabbin' and gobblin' were Marlita Scott, Helen Blanche, Maureen Marr, Jackie Steele, Sue Mitchell, Nina Bailey, Lauanne Walker, Patti Levendoski, Evelyn Bean, Betty Howard, Joan Baker, "Amos" Johannes, Jo Ann McNeal, and JoBe Moore.

Peggy Britt was hostess to a successful party a few weeks ago. Attending were Dutch Day, Jay Smith, Charlie Rines, Jean Mitchell, Paul Chesley, Janie Krouse, Woody Epperson, J. D. Rodgers, and Danny Commingham.

### Surprise Party

Since Kenny Basil is moving to Richmond, his gal, Dottie Reagh, decided to throw a surprise party for him Saturday night. Joining in the fun were Shirley Graham, Tommy Troxler, Joan Hubbel, Rit North, Miriam Thompson, Gordon North, Marie Kramer, Bill Foy, Lee Bowee, Eleanor Wood 'n Bill Chapin, Audry Soderstrom, Bill Larimore, Marlita Scott, Harry Ingram, Dottie Sheperd, Frank Lupac, Ann Wilmans, Eddie Argeray, Sidney Hepler, Buddy DeHirst, Bob Pease, Helen Blanche, and Jerry Hutch.

Guess we'll add our best wishes to Kenny right here and now. Good Luck, Kenny! Hope they like you there as well as we like you here.

It seems we're losing another Blairite this month, Cleo Whitney, who is moving and will attend Fairfax High School. Lois Berry got together a few friends and gave a farewell party in her honor, the well-wishers being Estelle Byrd, Barbara Doane, Jo Lee, Bev Martin, Marna Schultz, Laura Soule, and three unexpected guests, Dan Whitney, Blyde and Nelson Chambers. Don't fret, Cleo, we'll see you next year when we match our skills in sports.

### Sleepless Slumber Party

The merry-makers at June Mosby's Slumber Party Saturday night were Pat Cochran, Priscilla Varney, Joan Hedgcock, Joanne Taylor, Anne Swayzee, Marilyn Archer, Jessie Pickett, Jean Heffner, Pat Steele, Joan Haney, and Marilyn Middleton.

By now Betty Howard is enjoying the glorious atmosphere of Florida. Hope you have a real NEAT time, and don't forget to come back!

Seen at Helen Harveycutter's home on her birthday were Barbara Neal, Pat White, Lou Anne Leighton, Joyce Atkinson, Lois Young, Harry Sullivan, Howard Muhly, Neal Wildman, Ben Records, Jimmy Stout.

Reckon we better hang up now. See you next month!

Chuck Richards—likes all sports, women, food—dislikes pool, hard boiled coaches, typewriters—spends time loafing, dating—pals with John, Freak, Bobby, Paul, Morgan, Dan—ambition to be a criminal lawyer—

George Candish—Senior class treasurer, likes steaks, onions, Mr. Basta's Spanish class, Joan—dislikes crowded lockers, moody people—hobby is playing pool—spends spare time hitch-hiking to Olney—plans to study medicine upon graduation—

Bill Diedrick—One of our cheerleaders, likes driving, ice skating and is not too fussy where girls are concerned—Bill's a member of the rifle team and after he's finished high school plans to study horticulture—dislikes show-offs—

## Blair! Rah! Rah! Rah!

Red and white, fight, fight! Red and white, fight, fight! Who fight? Why all of Blair will be in there fighting at the Blair-Bethesda game Saturday, UNLESS some few "characters" ruin everything!

Practically everyone at Blair, except perhaps those down in bed with a temperature of 110 degrees, plan to attend that all important football game at Maryland U. with those friendly but never-the-less rivals, Bethesda Barons. As usual Blair's dashing boys will practically be knocking themselves out for their Alma Mater, those gorgeous gals of the majorette corps doing their darndest to show up Blair for its very best, and those very charming and energetic cheerleaders yelling their lungs out IF given the chance!

All it takes is the misguided act of just one mischievous or pervert-

ed individual to call off what is looked forward to the year round as the "big game" of the season.

After that little incident out at Rockville before the Richard Montgomery-Blair game, it was decided in earnestness by the County Student Council and approved by the Principals' Association that in the future if there is any sign, no matter how slight, of bad sportsmanship displayed, in the way of destruction in particular, the following game will definitely be called off with NO exceptions.

But just to make sure such a catastrophe never, never occurs for this Blair-Bethesda game, each Blairite should do his part in discouraging all forms of rivalry previous to the game, thus saving all surplus energy for yelling as loudly as possible at a wonderful and exciting tilt at Byrd Stadium tomorrow!

## Time for Prayer

The story of the first Thanksgiving Day is a familiar one to every American. In the year 1621, three hundred and twenty-seven years ago, the New England Colonists set apart a day for prayer and praise, giving thanks for their first harvest.

Thanksgiving Day has long since been made a national holiday, on which day people throughout the country stop their work and, in home and church, express gratitude for their blessings.

In this present age, which finds the population largely urban, most individuals do not come in contact with the same sun, rain, and good earth that the farmer lives by. Many can little appreciate the joy that accompanies the harvest fes-

tivities when their food is obtained from cans, bottles, and frozen food packages. Perhaps the farmers, more than any other workers, sense the ever active providence of God.

One need not be a farmer, however, to realize his benefits, nor are the products of the farm the only blessings to be had in this land of America, though certainly food is basicly vital.

Consider government of, by and for the people, opportunity and education for everyone, freedom of religion, speech, and press, these and many more. Though no one today had a hand in the labor of the sowing of these benefits, all are daily harvesting.

### To the Senior Boys—Always The Same

I'm off of the girls, they cheat and they lie,  
They prey on us males till the day we die;  
They tease us and torment, and drive us to gin,  
Say, who was that blond that just walked in?

W-Hi-Star

F—ierce lessons  
L—ate hours  
U—nexpected lessons  
N—othing prepared  
K—id flunks

Borrowed

### School Girl's Prayer

"Dear Lord, please make me a better girl, if you can, and if you can't, I'm having a darn good time the way it is."

The Oracle

Do you think that I adore you  
Just because I look and sigh?  
Many people go to market  
Just to look and not to buy.

—Stolen

Early to bed, early to rise, and  
your girl goes out with other guys.  
—Sentinel

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## To "Chips"

It sure seems swell,  
When you're feeling kind of blue,  
To learn all the news,  
That once was part of you.

To read of the smashing victories,  
As well as a defeat or two.  
To see many names of old friends,  
Some of them still true.

The parties and the dances still  
sound the same,  
As those when I was there, too.  
I'd really like to be there again  
Even though it'd mean work to do.

But my high school days are  
over,  
And another course has begun  
anew.  
But still I can't help wishing  
That I was there with you.  
Alumnus of '48

## What Would Happen If—

Everyone bought an activity ticket?  
Blair had elevators?  
Nobody skipped study hall?  
Blair had a smoking lounge?  
Bob Thompson went to football practice?  
John Kennedy blushed?  
Betty Pemberton didn't like sports?

Marion Ellerbe was a man hater?  
Joyce Duvall didn't have dimples?  
Bob Herdtfelder didn't take every-one home?

Mr. Meserole played in the next Tarzan Movie (as which character?)  
All of the teachers read the announcements?  
Typewriter bells played "Buttons and Bows"?

An anti-homework bill was passed by Congress?  
All Blair boys got that "Bill Larimore" look?

Priscilla Ridge let her hair grow?  
We didn't win the Blair-Bethesda game (oooh!!! hate to think of it).  
Ann Swayzee disliked Cornell?

Joan Haney understood chemistry?



## Bob Finzel Begins Pre-Law at Md. U.

Bob Finzel, '48, has begun Pre-Law Work at Maryland University, where Rea Davis and Nancy Fox are majoring in physical education.

At the University of Missouri is Henry Magnuson, '46, while Freddie Trippe, '48, is enrolled at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri.

Did you know that Skip Swayzee, '47, and David Pfanner, '46, are now attending Amherst?

Sprigg Duvall, '47, has resumed classes at Princeton, and at Cornell are Frank Richter, '48, and Ed Fox, '46. Getting into the swing of Western Maryland are Peggy Sisler, Donna Kohl, and Bob Roddeffer, all of the '48 class. Peggy Sisler, by the way, is now a leading twirler with the Westminster Band.

### At Teachers' College

Training for the teaching profession at Towson are Irene Gallagher, '47, and Laura Lee Degen, '48, and at Salisbury Teachers' College is Betty Farrar, '48.

At Montgomery Junior College are Sid Bubes, Ballard Dorsey, Edith Edwards, Tom Haislip, an Terry Fleishman, all of '47. Also Don Comer, '45, and Muriel Duey, Betty Lou Wolfe, Ken Baliles, and Bill Barker of '48.

Carol Kaufman, '47 now living in a settlement house in New York, and on the work program at Antioch College, is employed in a department store as a window decorator.

Pledged to Kappa Kappa Gamma at Maryland University are Betty Joseph, Anne Livingston, and Bea Bartlett. Sally Johnson, '47, has pledged Delta Delta Delta, while Betty Hemstreet, Betty Lee, and Jackie Runkle, '47, have signed for Kappa Delta. Mary Jane Doane signed with Gamma Phi Beta and Nancy Fox with Alpha Chi Omega.

### Alumni Tie Knots

Jean Elizabeth Davis became the bride of John Shrider last month. After a wedding trip to Miami, Florida, the couple returned to live in Silver Spring.

January wedding bells are forecast for Wanda Seymour of Nebraska and Johnny Shorb, Blair graduate.

Peggy Branch, and Dick Scott, '41, will be married November 27 at the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church.

### Grads in Uniform

Lefty Benton, '47, will leave this month for an overseas post with the Navy. Stationed in Atlantic City is Olie Brockdorf, '47, a Seaman Second Class, while in Memphis, Tennessee, is Hugh Smythe, '48, who is specializing in aeronautical engineering. Bill Butler, '47, is at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

## Figurines on Display

Art students toiled for five weeks hacking at blocks of plaster until they (the junior Michaelangelo's) collected so much plaster dust on themselves that they resembled plaster block (heads?) themselves.

The beautiful figurines now on exhibit in the library prove that they have not chiseled in vain. Sleeping alabaster cats brush haunches with battling snowy horses, and fish swim among creamy stylized heads.

Photographers from Gonzaga High School paid Mrs. Sherry's group a tribute by photographing the exhibit for their school paper, the Aquilian.

**BEAT BETHESDA!!**

## Williams Bestows New '48 "Chevy"

Montgomery Blair's Driver Training classes have recently been presented a new 1948 Chevrolet dual control sedan by the Williams Chevrolet Company, Silver Spring, to make possible the continuance of the practical side of the program.

More students apply for this class than can be accommodated under the present set-up. An estimated 85 students have passed the course, which is now in its second year at Blair. Last year's car was also furnished by Williams.

With the growing realization of the need for training automobile drivers, and with the rapid increase in the number of public schools now offering formal courses in driver education and training, numerous surveys have been made in different parts of the country to determine the effectiveness of these courses in reducing the alarming number of automobile accidents.

### Statistics Show Less Accidents

The statistics gathered by these surveys are interesting and encouraging. The state of Delaware has begun a program of training all of its high school students, after a survey made of 1800 students who had received driver training showed that only one of them had an accident in a period of two and one half years. The Cleveland Auto Club compared the records of 1800 Cleveland high school students who had been given driver training against the records of 1372 who had not been trained. The trained group had less than half as many accidents as the others.

Wisconsin reported 58% fewer accidents among boys and girls who had received behind-the-wheel training. Massachusetts reports that as the number of high school driver training courses in that state has increased, the number of accidents involving 16 and 17 year old drivers has decreased.

## Honor Frat Elects Tucker Charter Member

Robert Tucker, '47, was initiated into the University of Virginia chapter of Phi Eta Sigma as a charter member on November 4.

Phi Eta Sigma is a honor scholastic fraternity which requires its members to maintain a minimum average grade of 90 in all their work. Bob was one of the 5.5% of the men in his class to meet this requirement.

## Western College Offers Five Trustee Scholarships

All senior girls are eligible to compete for five Trustee Scholarships of \$2,000 each to the Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio.

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of competitive examination, past scholastic achievement, character, health, and general intellectual and social interests.

Further information and application blanks may be obtained from Miss Schwartz.

## Band Group Earns Cup

A place cup was awarded to the Montgomery Blair Band and Drum Majorettes at a dinner given by the Silver Spring Board of Trade Thursday night.

The cup, presented to a representative from the corps, was awarded for the group's participation in the Silver Spring Avenue of Progress parade held during the middle of August.

## First Term Shows 133 Honor Students

When reports were distributed to students Thursday, November 4, one hundred thirty-three students received A's and B's in their major subjects and not less than C in minor subjects which entitled them to a place on the first six weeks' honor roll.

Sophomores who made the honor roll were Joyce Stone, William Randall, Mary McCaslin, Anne Bengel, Pat Beam, Polly Alexander, Sharon Le Vitre, Frank Collier, Nelson Kulda, Bill McNaughton, Carol Funk, Ted Camp, Myra Coleman, Marion Hanlon, Joseph Mendum, Jane Richard, Joyce Warenig, Anne Erlanson, Reanne Hemingway, Courtenay Murphy, Ann Lee Weeks, Jean Lohr, Jeanne Rembert, Doris Kirby, Charles Coney, Jimmy Denny, Harold Hanson, Harry Kirk, Gladys Burroughs, Marilyn Leonhardt, Katherine MacDonald, Jean Ann Edwards, Nancy Flynn, Lula Hogan, Dorothy Kelso, Connie LeRoy, Barbara McBride, Nancy Schofield, Suzanne Scotton, Blair Mulican, Nancy Stang, Bea Shaw, Barbara Shellenberger, Billy Hall, and George Knowall.

Members of the junior class were Joyce Kidwell, Nancy Kendrick, Sally Cameron, Betty Fincham, Ann Hartsfield, Rick Waters, Bill Diedrich, Margaret Wilding, Bill Solomon, Charles Brailer, Percy Goody, Eleanor Wood, Bob Sperry, Patricia Parkman, Nick Lee, Ed Hunter, Joyce Duvall, Brian Crowley, Barbara Beall, Betty Gene Collier, Janet Frocke, Lois McCurdy, Carolyn Wittauer, Judy Anderson, Ruth Bowman, David Power, Mary Ann Kifer, John Edwards, Wayne Sherrill, Bob Foreward, Jackie Steele, John Eagleton, John Davis, Patty Levendoski, Lawrence Collison, Nina Bailey, Ann Williams, Tap Hubbel, and Lynn Waters.

The best senior students were George Candish, Betty McInnerney, Joe Miller, Ronnie Troxler, Dick Walker, Sher Lee Cheek, Joyce Darby, Peggy Davis, June Mosby, Lucille Overden, Shirley Robbins, John Campbell, John Linton, Barbara Williams, Lou Ann Leighton, Pat Leef, Joan Hover, Elaine Handabaka, Pat Frazier, Mary Acre, Ann Adams, Mitchell Parsons, Regina Thomas, Joyce Atkinson, Pat Beall, Robert Jones, Virginia Keller (Post Graduate), Betty LaMont, Agnes Minick, Joan Carl, Robert Merrick, Joan Wright, Ann Swayzee, Priscilla Ridge, Joan Haney, Betty Fox, Marilyn Archer, Ralf Reucker, Muriel Sandifer, Pat Steele, Pat Hamilton, Maclin Robey, Betty Casper, Beatrice Cooke, Lewis Grandstaff, Bob Kibler, Kevin Owens, and Anita Payne.

## Reporters Complete

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attended the convention as observers were Bob Williams, Ann Muselwhite, and Charles Brailer.

Speakers who addressed the convention were Miss Helen McCarthy, free lance writer for the Department of Education and USAFI; Mrs. Oliver DeWolfe, AP Correspondent; and Mr. Lambert Greenawalt, author of journalism texts.

You have two chances;  
One of getting the gripper  
And one of not.  
And if you get the disease  
You have two chances;  
One of dying  
And one of not

## Two Blair Girls Model at Show

Four professional models together with two Blair girls, not yet selected, will present a fashion show for all girls of the school in the gym during the sixth period Tuesday, November 23.

The Wonder Silk Store of Silver Spring is sponsoring the show with the help of a representative from Simplicity Pattern Company, of New York.

A contest with prizes will be held among the home arts girls to see who has made the best garment, following the show.

### Prizes Include Yardage

First prize for the garments will be yardage; second prize, jewelry; third prize, a glove and scarf set.

Modeling will be done on a runway from the stage to the gym floor, especially constructed for the occasion.

Home arts teachers of the County are scheduled to be the judges of the show.

## Majorettes Elcet

The Blair High School Majorettes, well known for their colorful performances and sharp routines, recently held their annual election of officers.

By unanimous vote, Nancy Simpson was chosen President. Vice-president is Tap Hubbel; Secretary, Dottie Shepherd; and Treasurer, Lorene Ladd.

## Formal Set for Nov. 26

Blair's annual Thanksgiving Formal will be held on the evening of November 26 from 9 'til 12 at the Blair gym.

The dance committee set the price at \$1.20 stag or drag and also ruled that semi-formal dress consists of coats and ties for boys and formal dresses for the girls.

Al Rine's orchestra will furnish the music.

Blair students and alumni are cordially invited to attend.

## Ramblers Admit 25 New Members

Twenty-five students were recently admitted to the Ramblers, a popular social club.

New members of the group include Joan Ritter, Betty Carol Sullivan, Lu Deane Peterson, Betty Gleim, Joan Carl, Marilyn Archer, Dorcas McLaughlin, Joyce King, Nancy Leahy, Janet Shue, Marsha Nauman, Peggy Brith, Vivian Cherrix, Ruth Bauman, Jean Mitchell, Liz Cave, Judy Anderson, Dan Duff, Jimmy Baliles, Percy Goody, Tommy Van Vranken, Bernie Cochran, Dick Groves, Charles Covey, and Bernie Shannon.

Ed Camus was elected president when officers were chosen at the end of last year. The other officers are Dave Powers, vice-president; Natalie Eck, secretary; and Joan Evans, treasurer. Mr. Carl Bell is the new sponsor.

## Library Club Inducts 19

"For Seniors Only" was the sign hanging over the door of the Library last Wednesday night when nineteen seniors were initiated into the Library Club.

Wearing lollipops Thursday morning were Lu Deane Peterson, Elaine Handabaka, Marilyn Archer, Pat Leef, Wyneeta Winn, Pat Steele, Brearley Carroll, Helen Brennan, Joan Carl, Dick Walker, George Candish, Joan Wright, Bill Mess, Joan Hedgecock, Warren Russell, Nancy Vickers, Jessie Pickett, Eddie Robbins, and John Brookbank.

## Students Give Operetta

With proceeds going to Blair's music department, the operetta, "Creatures of Impulse," was presented by the Wesley Choir of the Woodside Methodist Church in the Blair gym on November 5.

The production, under the direction of Mr. Meserole, of the music faculty, was a repeat performance after a highly successful engagement at the church social hall on October 21 and 22.



## "I am only a little girl"

The telephone operator promptly answered the signal on the switchboard.

From the other end of the line came a tiny, frightened voice:

"I am only a little girl. I can't go out in the dark."

The child's mother was ill. She had barely been able to reach the telephone to call for a doctor when she had collapsed. The operator summoned help at once.

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This story came to our attention through a letter from another telephone customer. It read as follows:

"We . . . feel that you should know of the fine type of service we are getting. . . . Your fine operator really stood by and kept the line open for this emergency."

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Even "the little things" can mean a lot to someone. That's why telephone people try to handle each call with a spirit of friendly helpfulness. The "spirit of service" has become a tradition in the telephone business. The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City.



## Blazers Bid for Season's Seventh Win

### Face Unbeaten Bethesda In Fourth Annual Contest

The Blazers face their arch rivals, the Bethesda Barons, tomorrow at Maryland University in the last game of a very successful grid year.

In the biggest contest of the season, Blair hopes to add another win to its 6 win-2 defeat record. Tomorrow's game will be significant because of the three times Blair has faced Bethesda. One game was a tie, one was a Blair win, and one a Bethesda victory. In the first game they played, in 1945, the score was 6-6. The Blazer's smothered the Baron's 25-6 the next year.

Last year's 6-0 defeat by Bethesda was a heartbreaker; Blair made 19 first downs to Bethesda's 6, and the Blazers were on Bethesda's 5 yard line three or four times. The real rub came however when two Blair touchdowns were called back, one because of a penalty. Inasmuch as the Blair-Bethesda bouts at present are tied, tomorrow's tilt will be very important, being a sort of play-off.

#### "Blair Is Too Big"

Although Ray Fehrman, Bethesda football coach, told a *Chips* reporter that "Blair is too big for us," Blair's Reno Continetti is not becoming over confident. When asked for comments, Coach Continetti replied that "Our boys remember last year; they'll do our talking for us on the field Saturday. We expect a tough ball game, as the odds are against us." Assistant Coach Tony Creme added that "We're playing a team that has yet to taste defeat this season."

The Barons have piled up an imposing record this season, having beaten six teams and tied one, Fairfax, 13-13. The defeated schools are National Training School, Falls Church, St. Albans, Frederick, Friends, and Rockville; most of the scores were definitely lopsided, as when National Training School was shut out, 53-0, and when Frederick went down 41-0. On the other hand, Bethesda has not played as tough a schedule as Blair's. The Blazers, facing their toughest opposition yet, upset the favored St. John's team 19-6.

#### Tickets on Sale Here

The pulchritude and music will be supplied by Blair's famed band, majorettes, pom-pom girls, twirlers and acrobats.

Tickets are being sold by both schools, the proceeds going to each school. Money received at the University gates will be split between the two schools. The tickets cost \$1.20 without an activity card or at the University, and 60c with an activity card if purchased at the Blair bank.

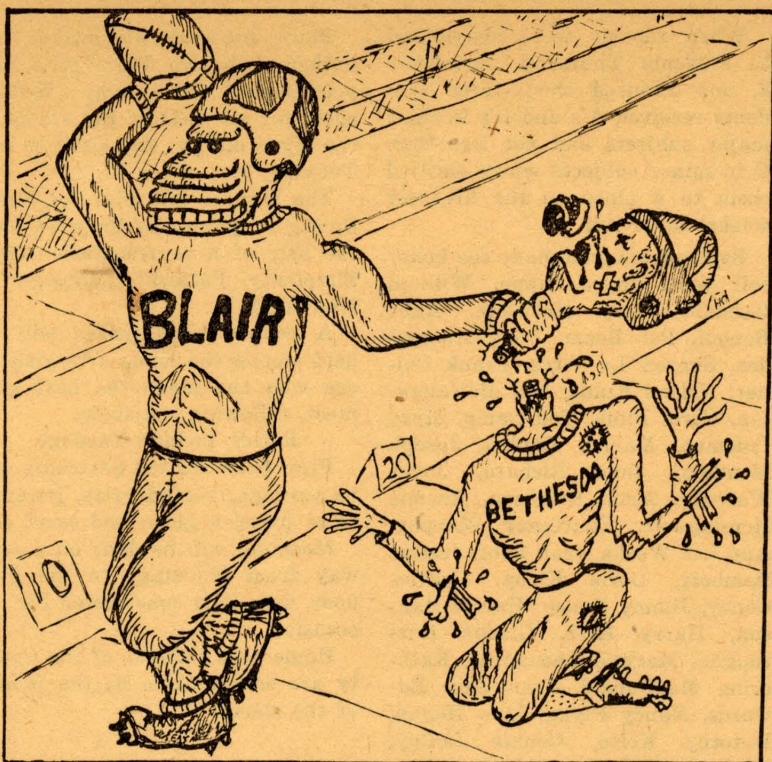
The probable line-ups of the two teams are:

Blair		Bethesda
Larimore	left end	Beckwith
Richards	right end	Young
Robins	left tackle	Farrar
Davis	right tackle	Tancil
Harrison	left guard	Schwob
Davis	right guard	De Binder
Kennedy	center	Crago
Mess	quarterback	Deschler
Luckett	left half back	Spain
Theofield	right half back	Ware
Cushman	fullback	Schneider

### Blair Host to Jr. College

Blair played host last Friday as Montgomery Junior College trounced the Johns Hopkins "B" team 24-18.

### CHEER YOUR TEAM



### Blair Atomizes Rockville; Secure In Last Half

Snapping back from their defeat by Gonzaga, the Blazers overwhelmed Richard Montgomery 25-19 at Rockville on October 23.

Rockville didn't have a chance; the game was Blair's all the way through, excepting the last quarter, when Rockville copped 12 points. Rockville played gamely, but the Blazers had the weight, and played superior football.

Cushman and Luckett were the stars of the day, Bob doing some beautiful broken field running and scoring two touchdowns, while Ray passed to Downs for six points and crossed the stripes himself in the third quarter.

In contrast to the Gonzaga tilt, Blair showed hardly any sloppiness, excepting two messed-up attempts to convert, but this was partly due to the slight drizzle which fell during part of the game.

During the first half, Cushman climaxed a 60-yard drive with a center buck for a touchdown, and Luckett passed to Downs for six more points. Rockville was helpless, and stayed scoreless for the first half, but finally picked up seven points in the third quarter on Brodie's touchdown pass to Grant and a successful conversion kick.

#### Play Rough Ball

However, Cushman capped another long drive with a center buck for a touchdown, and Ray Luckett swept right end for six points. The kick was good, making the score 25-7.

In the final stanza, both teams played rough ball, but Blair had the majority of penalties called, the whistle blowing time and again for a 10 or 15-yard penalty against the Blazers. Taking advantage of this, Rockville picked up 12 points.

### Leef to Manage Team

Miss Lippy, girls' basketball coach, has chosen Pat Leef as manager of this year's squad, with the following girls making up the team: forwards, Pat Beam, Nancy McInnerney, Mabel Vickers, Theresa Junghans, Shirley Hawlins, Betty Gleim, Charlene Bocklett, Beverly Hunt, and Virginia Burdick; and guards, Vivian Cherrix, Alice Warfield, Sue Mitchell, Luanne Walker, Lee Joseph, Diana Fjilstad, Charlotte Bergman, Sally Shanklin, and Jean Lohr.

### Priory Tilt Opens Basketball Season

Boys' basketball opens with Priory on the home court, Tuesday, December 7, at 3:30 p. m., while the girls get underway after the Christmas holidays, on January 7, meeting Sherwood here at 3:30.

The first five games for the boys, all in December, are as follows:

Dec. 7	Priory	here—3:30
10	Hyattsville	there—8:00
14	DeMatha	here—3:30
17	Fairfax	here—8:00
21	W. and L	there—3:30

## Sports News and Interviews

### Blair's Won Sixth—Lost Two; Face Barons November 20

By Paul Taggart

All Blair is now eagerly awaiting November 20, and their annual tilt in Byrd Stadium, with Bethesda.

Last year most fans, as well as players on the Blair Side—that is, felt that they had been robbed of a very close game. With only seconds left and the ball resting on Bethesda's two-yard line, the official jumped the gun thus ending the game *toooo* early, allowing the Barons to win 6-0.

The Blazers have different plans for this year's tilt. Even though Bethesda has so far gone undefeated, it tied once with Fairfax, in a close game 13-13. Blair, however, defeated Fairfax by a very decisive score. It also was their first win of the season which started Blair back on the road to recovery. They have up to now won six and lost two, both losses having been to strong D. C. Schools.

The Bethesda game, as usual, will begin at 2:00 at Byrd Stadium in College Park. Both Blair and Bethesda will have their bands and Pom-Pom girls on hand to supply the half-time entertainment.

*Who's a Man—He's a Man—Reno!!!!*

I think, (this is *me* talking, coach), it's about time we pay tribute to the one responsible for the grand year, so far, in football, at Blair. No it's not you, Thompson, or you either, Cushman, but compliments should all go to Coach Continetti and Assistant Creme. Both have given their valuable time in an effort to bring their "terrors" from the cellar to the

## Frederick Blasted

Blair toppled Frederick last week in a one-sided affair which found Blair on top with a 39-7 count.

Everyone had a field day, as the Red and White scored at will. Led by old faithful Ray Luckett and Bob Cushman, Blair scored three times in the first quarter on runs by Cushman, Luckett, and Theofield. Luckett completed fourteen out of seventeen passes to lead the terrors from Sligo Creek the whole way. Billy Foy and Bill Larimore teamed to score two more touchdowns as Blair dominated play the entire afternoon.

Other outstanding feats of the game included that of Bill Mess as he ran a kick off 76 yards unmoled for Blair's final score.

Frederick scored late in the closing minutes in a long pass from Hutman to Wagner. Hall added the extra point.

## Blazerettes Tie Bladensburg 1-1

On October 29, the girls' hockey teams played host to Bladensburg in a very close game which ended with a 1-1 tie. Barbara Bagby made the only Blair goal.

Blair		Bladensburg
Mitchell	LW	Love
Shaw	LI	Wessburg
Bean	CF	Flannagan
Bagby	RI	Merchant
Richardson	RW	Brombrough
Cherrix	LH	Heckrote
Bauman	CH	Kreamer
Benson	RH	Luwald
Gleim	LB	Bennett
Warfield	RB	McGram
McInnerney	GK	Cole

top after they dropped the opener to Tech, eight games ago. Since then they have only lost one other, to Gonzaga, after a great battle for three scoreless quarters.

Congratulations, you have done a fine job, but let's hope it continues until after we down the "pine tree boys." We all will be out at the game rooting for you, Coach, and your All-stars.

Mr. Creme has now started his long journey into basket ball which will find Blair playing top D. C. schools this year, such as Central, St. Johns, and Gonzaga. Oh, yes, there still are our old friends and Ed Chapin's, too—Priory.

Credit is to be given where credit is due, so let's take time to give credit to all the managers who take care of the equipment for our games.

First we have Tommy Ridgeway who has captained the managers for the past two years. Last year Tom was assistant during football, but when basketball came, he captured the captain spot and has held it all year around. His able-bodied helper, Bob Forward, has joined him this year and is doing a fine job as second in command.

These boys are chosen by the team on popular ballot. Their grades as well as those of the players have to be passing, so it's not as easy as you think!

Let's all thank and treat our managers right. Especially those who are playing on the team, remember they are part of the squad and should be treated as such.

## BEAT BETHESDA

## Luckett, Cushman Star as Blair Beats Hagerstown

The Blair Blazers won their sixth game last week, by downing Hagerstown 26-13 here at the Stadium.

Ray Luckett and Bob Cushman led the Blazer attack as they alternated Luckett's passing with Cushman's ground work to completely baffle the Hagerstown eleven. The first score, for Blair, came early in the second quarter when Cushman plunged over from the one yard line after a 75-yard drive. Jungk then added the point with a fine placement. Mess kicked off and through fine defense line play by Harrison, Chamblin, Davis, Robins and Kennedy, Hagerstown was forced by punt to safety.

Blair, again in possession of the ball, marched to another score, Luckett paving the way with passes to Bill Larimore and Chuck Richards. Bob Theofield also played a great game, catching a 44 yard pass from Luckett for the second score of the day. Jungk again connected, making the score 14—Hagerstown 0 at halftime.

#### Hagerstown Scores

Early in the second half Bob Cushman ran a punt back 26 yards, placing the ball on Blair's 45-yard line. Luckett then carried for 14 yards off tackle and on the play after, passed to Larimore covering 36 yards. Bobby Theofield then bucked off tackle for his second score of the afternoon, making it 20 for Blair, 0 for Hagerstown.

Hagerstown then scored their first tally on a run around their right end after Blair held strong in the center of the line for three tries. The honor of the touchdown went to Bob Pearl, while Jerry Rudisill scored the extra point.

In the last quarter Luckett bucked over for Blair after Cushman ran 36 yards to set up the last score. Hagerstown scored late in the closing minutes when Pearl ran 35 yards to their second and final tally, giving Blair 26, Hagerstown, 13.

Outstanding backs for Blair were Luckett, Cushman, Theofield, and Perkins. Bill Mess also played his usual great game at quarterback.

Outstanding linemen were Chamblin, Davis, Robins, Kennedy, Richards, Thompson, Larimore, and Harrison.

#### Game Line Ups

Blair		Hagerstown
Richards	L.E.	Hempill
Robins	T.	Schlotterb'k
Harrison	G.	Warrenfalty
Kennedy	C.	West
Chamblin	R.G.	Rigeley
Davis	T.	Kendle
Larimore	E.	Wolford
Mess	O.B.	Buyers
Theofield	R.H.	Semler
Luckett	L.H.	Reral
Cushman	F.B.	Rudisill

## Blair Nips Bethesda

The girls' hockey team traveled to Bethesda on November 1 and topped them 2-1.

Bean and Bagby scored for the Blazerettes.

Blair		Bethesda
Mitchell	LW	Fiocls
Hanlon	LI	Winsler
Bean	LF	Albertson
Bagby	RI	McKinley
Richardson	RW	Atwood
Cherrix	LH	Thomas
Bauman	CH	L. Chisholm
Benson	RH	Eberts
Gleim	LB	Trail
Warfield	RB	T. Chisholm
McInnerney	GK	Fitzhugh



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## Pat Parkman Receives Mention For Editorial on 'Thanksgiving'

### Blair Junior Enters Nation-Wide Race

Pat Parkman, Blair junior, has won honorable mention in the editorial contest sponsored on a national society of student journalists, for her editorial on the Thanksgiving theme, "We Are Truly Grateful."

Thousands of editorials were entered in the contest, of which about 100, including Pat's, received honorable mention.

Pat's editorial was entered in the national competition by virtue of its winning first prize in the contest sponsored by the Blair Chapter of Quill and Scroll. Joyce Darby won second prize with her editorial, "It's No Use Trying, Kids, You Can't Watch Television and Do Your Homework, Too." The third place editorial, by Lu Dean Peterson, was entitled "You May Find Gifts, But You Won't Find the Christmas Spirit in the Stores Downtown."

Other participants in the Blair contest were Bob Williams, Betty Gleim, Ann Craig, and Andy Russo.

Miss Silvey, Mr. Hinckley, and Miss Robey, the judges of the local contest, considered the articles on the basis of 75% effectiveness of the editorial message and 25% form and mechanics. The one judged best was then entered in the national contest.

Ten national winners have been selected and will be announced in the December-January issue of Quill and Scroll magazine. All ten will receive a Quill and Scroll Creative Writing Key and will then be eligible to compete for the President's Scholarship Award.

### Three Students Receive Prizes for Writing

Bob Williams, Miriam Thompson and Harry Ingram were awarded prizes in the literary writing contest recently sponsored by the Silver Spring branch of the American Association of University Women.

Bob Williams submitted the winning editorial: "The Notorious Maryland Roads." Elaine Handabaka's "Juvenile Delinquency in Montgomery County" received honorable mention.

Miriam Thompson's "A Week in the Life of Ann Bradstreet" and Harry Ingram's "Man's First Trip to the Moon" tied for the first prize in fiction.

The prizes, five dollars each, were presented to contest winners at a dinner given by the Association on December 18.

### Typist Amazes Classes

Ben Prosner, Royal Typing speed demonstrator and typing champ, showed the Blair typing classes on Tuesday, December 14, in the school gymnasium, the proper use of a typewriter.

Mr. Prosner won the World's Amateur Championship in 1936.

### Quill and Scroll Inducts Eighteen

Eighteen students have been recommended from *Silverlogue* and *Silver Chips* staffs for membership in the Quill and Scroll Chapter at Blair by Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Moler, sponsors.

The following students were selected from *Silverlogue*: Joe Miller, Priscilla Ridge, Roland Jones, Charlotte McHorney, Don Markle, Lee Koetzle, Bill Mess, Pat Wheeler, Pat Hamilton, and Betty Gleim. Members from *Silver Chips* are Jessie Pickett, Pat White, Sylvia Reed, Joan Hattersly, Joyce King, Bett Gill, Pat Steele, Peggy Ann Davis, and Dora Lawson.

#### Meet Qualifications

According to the constitution, all members of Quill and Scroll must be chosen from the students enrolled in high school and at the time of their elections must be: (1) at least of junior standing, (2) in the upper third of their class in general scholastic standing at the time of their election (for the current year), (3) have done superior work in some phases of journalistic or creative endeavor, (4) recommended by adviser or committee governing publications, (5) approved by executive secretary.

### F. T. A. Encourages Teaching Careers

The "Future Teachers of America" is a new club organized for the purpose of encouraging the career of teaching among the students and to give those who are interested some practical experience in that line.

This group will consist of about 25 students as a profession, and is one of the branches of a national organization which maintains chapters in high schools throughout the United States.

Miss Appleby, F. T. A. adviser, states that all the members will be given the opportunity to teach at some time, and therefore gain first-hand experience in the fundamentals of teaching.

This experience will be accompanied by a series of informative lectures by leading educators of the vicinity.

Being entirely new among Blair clubs, "The Future Teachers of America" gives every indication of being an outstanding organization at Blair.

### Legion Donates Flags

Flags that are being displayed in the homerooms all over the school are gifts from the Auxiliary of the American Legion.

Blair has been badly in need of new flags and when the need was made known the Legion willingly responded.

Supporting many of the flags are wooden blocks which are products of the shop boys' efforts.

## Plays Delight Yule Audience

Two Christmas plays were presented at Blair during the past week, "Christmas at Blair" and "The Other Wise Man."

Blairites, in a double-shift assembly, today say "Christmas at Blair", a humorous fantasy written and presented by Mr. Messerole's second period public speaking class. The music was supplied by the Blair orchestra.

The play included scenes from the library, halls, classrooms and the parking lot; in each scene the persons involved expressed their Christmas desires and wishes.

#### Introduce Shadow Play

The Dramatic Club's shadow play presentation of "The Other Wise Man", last Wednesday for the P. T. A., made dramatic history at Blair.

This new type of play, which was directed by Miss Silvey and Mr. Bell, featured the use of a screen upon which was silhouetted the images of the actors. The speaking was done over a loudspeaker by a separate cast. Mrs. Sherry's Art Club and classes made the scenery for the production.

Miss Cross' chorus furnished music between scenes, in addition to giving a program before the play, which consisted of a solo by Anne Simpson entitled "Sing Noel"; a solo by Priscilla Ridge, "Lullaby at Christmas Eve"; and three renditions by the chorus, "Sleeps Judea Fair," "Carol of the Bells" and the "Hallelujah Chorus."

John Wright, a post-graduate taking voice at Blair, sang "O, Holy Night" between the first and second scenes of the play.

### Popular Secretary Resigns from Blair

Mrs. Dorothy M. Shannon, who for the past year and a half was secretary in the Blair office, resigned to take a position at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, effective December 1.

Mrs. Shannon, who was born in Brooklyn, New York, attended Holy Names Academy, Washington Irving High School, and National Academy of the Theater. At the latter, she had the good fortune to study under Ethel Barrymore for two years.

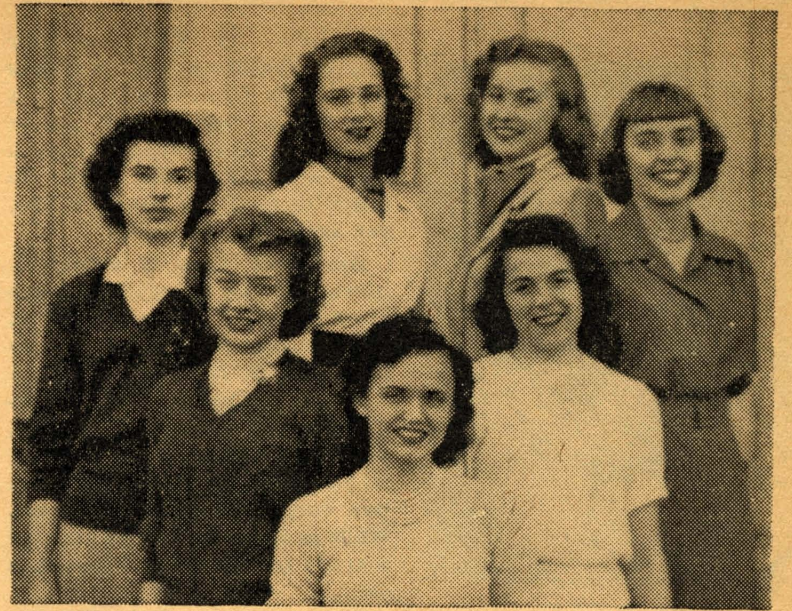
After leaving New York and arriving in Silver Spring, she taught typing and dramatics at the Holy Names Academy and also taught mimeographing at the A. B. Dick Company School, in Washington.

#### Calls Blair "Tops"

During the war, she directed a group called the Silver Spring Neighbors, who entertained at various veterans' hospitals. She also did radio work for five years at both WRC and WMAL.

"Dee" Shannon, as she is known in the theater world, and to her many friends, has lived in Silver Spring for twenty years, and loves it.

## To Disclose Mystery Queen



Pictured above are the candidates for Blair's tenth annual sweetheart. Shown clockwise are Priscilla Varney, Barbara MacCollum, Priscilla Ridge, Joan Carl, Joan Hover, Gay DeNike, and Anne Swayzee.

### Education Officials Observe at Blair

Montgomery Blair was on the agenda December 7 and 8 for representatives from the Board of Education office and principals from other high schools in the county who were conducting a survey of all junior and senior high schools in Montgomery County.

As part of the overall program of the County Board of Education, all secondary schools were visited to get a composite picture of county junior and senior high school programs with emphasis upon the classroom situations. Observing was done as a supervisory technique in efforts to improve teaching standards.

The strong and weak points of the school program were pointed out to the principal of the school being visited. The survey helped to familiarize the high school principals concerning programs in other schools.

The committee surveying Blair was composed of Dr. Edwin W. Broome, superintendent of schools; Mr. E. M. Douglass, assistant superintendent of schools; Mr. Maxwell Burdette and Dr. Fern D. Schneider, high school supervisors; Dr. George Osterwise, principal of Gaithersburg; Mr. Henry Gregory, principal of Silver Spring Intermediate; Mr. Lester Welch, principal of Takoma Junior High; Mr. Donald Meagher, principal of Montgomery Hills and Mr. William Pyles, vice-principal of Bethesda.

Mr. Daryl W. Shaw, Miss Marian L. Schwartz, and Mr. Thomas Pyles, of the Blair faculty, accompanied them in their visits to classrooms.

### Blair's Secretary Marries

Miss Marian A. Kellams, secretary at Blair for the past several years, was married to Mr. Alan E. Gebhardt in Chevy Chase, Saturday, November 27, at 4:30.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Bates and the bride's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Gebhardt spent a week's honeymoon in Frederick, and later motored through Virginia, West Virginia, and North Carolina.

Since their return to Silver Spring they are temporarily making their home with friends.

Mystery about the selection of school's sweetheart, is intermingled with the holiday spirit among Blairites since the nomination on December 9 of seven candidates for that honor.

According to custom, the sweetheart is chosen by balloting among the students and her identity remains a secret until the coronation ceremony.

#### Seven Seniors Chosen

Chosen in the preliminary vote were Joan Carl, Gay DeNike, Joan Hover, Ann Swayzee, Priscilla Ridge, Barbara MacCollum, and Priscilla Varney. Final balloting took place on December 15, and Bea Bartlett, last year's queen, will bestow the crown upon the new sweetheart at the Christmas Formal, which will be held in the Blair gym on Monday, December 27, from 9 'til 12.

Semi-formal for the boys, the dance will be formal for the girls. Music will be furnished by the Alaskan's Orchestra, which has played for all but one of Blair's dances this year.

#### Tradition Dates Back

The traditional selection of a queen began in 1939, when Blairites chose Jeanie Mieners to be crowned sweetheart at the alumni basketball game. The first official ballot appeared in *Silver Chips* accompanied with instructions concerning the voting. Because there was no limit to the number of votes a person might cast, the slogan, "Vote early and often," became popular.

In subsequent years Mary Elizabeth Smith, Barbara Spencer, Mary Ann Mitchell, Fay Whitman, Libby Herdtfelder, Dolly Sapp, Elizabeth Smith, and Bea Bartlett were chosen to be the sweethearts.

#### Sweetheart Must Excel

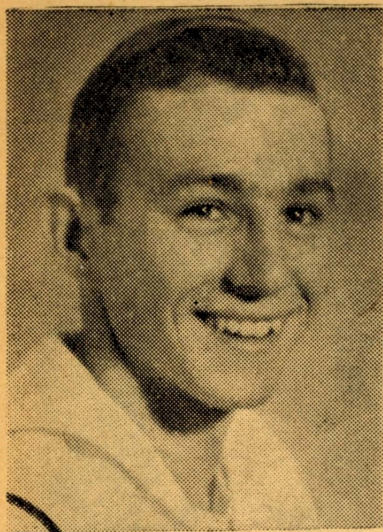
Candidates in order to qualify for sweetheart must meet the following qualifications:

1. Her beauty in face and figure must excell all Petty, Varga, and Blair girls.
2. Her glowing, fervent personality must be exceeded only by her tact, and her very presence must excite the virile hearts of every man to deeds of valor and courage in her name.
3. Marks on her last report must be between A and E. Any candidate receiving a grade lower than E will be automatically disqualified. There will be no exception to this rule.
4. The sweetheart must be a senior girl at Blair, who has attended the school at least since

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## Busy Bob Heads Council



Bob Alexander

You think you're busy!

Pipe down blow-hard, and read about somebody who really is busy—a person who is vice-president of his class, chairman of photography for the yearbook, belongs to the Library Club, Honor Society, Quill and Scroll, National Association of Students Councils, Boys' "B" Club, and, out of school, is a member of the P. T. A. Executive Committee, Athletic Advisory Board, Principals' Advisory Board, and must attend all P. T. A. meetings and have Marine Drill two hours a week. Oh yes, he's also the President of the Student Council.

Of course, "this person" is Bob

Alexander. A *Chips* reporter tracked him down—everybody sees Bob a few times every day, but just for a few seconds as he whizzes by—and managed to get a few facts about him, while he talked to teachers, looked in files, and answered telephones.

Bob's full name is Robert G. Alexander. He is very mysterious about that "G," and would not tell what it stood for. Robert G. was born May 29, 1930, in Virginia.

Before coming to Blair, Bob attended school at Norfolk, Virginia, Sherwood High, Maryland. Even in junior high, at Takoma, Bob was busy as the proverbial bee. While at the latter Bob was offered a music scholarship, but turned it down.

Since coming to Blair, Bob has been president of Visual Aids ('47), vice-president of the junior class ('47), and general supervisor for the Blair Conservation Project ('46).

Bob says "Blair is a swell school" and that it offers many opportunities, and extra-curricular activities.

In case you're wondering if Bob ever goes to class—he flits around so much—he does. Bob has two study periods, gym, English, public speaking, and Student Council.

Bob likes "Swiss steak and fried onions—superb! superb!" fishing, hunting, roller skating and watching all sports, and last but certainly not least—"dimples." (Bob didn't say whether he likes dimples in general or a certain girl with dimples, but he supplied the quote marks himself.) His only dislike is getting up early in the morning.

Bob plans to attend Montgomery Junior College for two years and then Maryland University, where he'll major in political science. While attending Montgomery Junior College, he'll be doing F. B. I. or political work. "Plus getting married," he also adds to his future plans.

### Classified Ads

#### WANTED

By Mr. Kulaskowski  
one heavy duty tank to run gently over his 3rd period class

By Audrey Ricketts  
one pair of track shoes; she got the man and now she has to keep up with him. (He's a track star.)

By Dick Bartlett and Jim Denny  
a peaceful settlement over one Marilyn Leonhardt.

By Miss Baker  
150 muzzles and straight-jackets for the girls' sophomore health class.

By Numerous Girls  
someone to blow up the wolf-whistle on Dean Atwood's automobile (well?? jalopy).

of the best to one of the best, and much happiness.

#### Shirley Thayer Entertains

Shirley Thayer gave a hayride December 11. Judging from the talk, it must have been quite successful. Guests were Betty Lou Clark, Bobby Bergman, Shirley Bonner, Bob Mangum, Louise Minich, Donald Fields, Lee Joseph, Richard Chappell, Virginia Burdick, Carolyn Kennamer, Arlene Howard, Dick Trivit, and Marion Davis. Afterwards Shirley had a slumberless Slumber Party for the girls.

Rec'on that's all for this month. See ya' next year. . . .

## MURDER!

### Microscopically Speaking

"I kill more teen-agers and adults in America than any other disease," was the boast of mycobacteria tuberculosis, the well-known T. B. germ, during his recent interview with me.

Knowing that Christmas time is also T. B. seal time, and that T. B. is particularly interesting to teen-agers, last week I borrowed a microscope and started hunting for a T. B. germ; objective, interview. I found one does not hunt them like big game, with a rifle, or like fish, with a rod and reel, or even like butterflies, with a net; no, one visits a T. B. patient and, for example, asks him to breathe on a microscope slide. If the patient obliges, one has some T. B. germs.

Putting the slide under my microscope, and introducing myself, I had a very interesting talk with the tubercle bacillus himself.

Q. Do you really kill more youths in America than any other disease?

A. Certainly. In fact, I am the number one killer of people from 15 to 45.

Q. How many do you kill a year, and what is the largest age group?

A. I average around 60,000 deaths a year, and by far the greatest of these are between 15 and 25.

Q. Why is this?

A. Because these young people usually "burn the candle at both ends"—they study hard, over exercise, always go to parties and movies, and become careless about their eating habits.

Q. You are harmless outside the body, I believe, but how do you enter?

A. Unfortunately, I cannot get in by myself; I must be carried or breathed in. I do by riding in on dust or sneeze particles, or when people are kissing (I'm a bad boy!), in milk from tubercular cows. In fact, I can ride in on anything that touches the mouth. I'm so small that a thousand like me could fit in a pin-hole, and not be as crowded as kids on a school bus!

Q. What happens once you're in the body?

A. That depends. If the body is strong, it puts up a good fight; the body cells will surround me and make little capsules around me, called tubercles, and as long as I'm in one of those, I'm licked. But, if the body is weak, or if enough of my fellow bacilli (no, it isn't bacilluses!) invade, we overcome the body's defenses, attack the cells, and keep spreading.

Q. Do you give any warnings that you are in the body and have defeated the cells?

A. Yes, but they don't (apologetically) seem very dramatic or even original. People think that spitting blood is the most common sign of T. B., but it isn't so; in fact, it's quite infrequent. If a person suffers from disturbed sleep, loss of appetite, if he is tired without reason, if he has indigestion, or a cough that lasts for weeks, or if he loses weight, it might mean that I'm around. However, I can be present and not produce any significant symptoms—so you can't tell!

Q. What should a person do if

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## Christmas as a Lighthouse Beacon

During the several weeks preceding Christmas, a certain spirit begins to permeate the awareness of many individuals. This feeling, called the Christmas spirit, is a combination mental attitude and outlook on life.

Its gradual inducement is brought on at first by commercial mediums, gift advertisements, decorations in the shopping centers, and the like. Following are the hearing and singing of all the familiar Christmas carols, the sending of cards and wrapping of presents, and the adornment of the Christmas tree.

It is not until Christmas Eve, however, that the person becomes completely enveloped by this Christmas spirit.

Returning from worship services in church, one approaches home. The immediate world is blanketed in shadowy, white snow (the region imagined being one of those so fortunate as to have snow on Christmas Eve). In the clear sky, the twinkling stars seem to be larger and brighter than in any other night during the year. From within the home issues a warm light. A holly wreath hangs in the frosted window. Now, for a fleeting moment, one feels and fully appreciates that which is called "peace on earth, good will toward men."

The Christmas season has great influence over the lives of many people. Each one may be likened to one of a series of lighthouse beacons strung out over the sea of years. The ship of life starts to make a voyage across the year. Soon it runs into storms of conflict and struggle. It is fiercely buffeted by waves of bitterness and despair.

Finally, however, it is picked up by the sweeping beam of the Christmas spirit, which leads it out of the storm and sends it on its proper course into the next year.

## When Santa Packed His Sleigh

By Bill Chapin

There's a bustle of excitement  
In Santa's shop today,  
Because tomorrow's Christmas;  
It's time to pack the sleigh.  
The reindeer all are ready,  
The socks are full of toys;  
There's just a few more things to pack  
For little girls and boys.  
The dolls are dressed in Sunday  
best;  
The sleds are painted bright,  
The little Elves, their work well  
done,  
May have a rest tonight.  
Old Santa peeks in every sack, and  
checks against his list,  
Because, how very sad t'would be  
If a tiny tot were missed.  
There's the drum for little Johnny  
The crib for sister Sue,  
A set of wooden soldiers, all painted  
red and blue.  
But wait! A sack is missing, it  
belongs to little Jim,

Now where did Mrs. Santa put the  
gift that's marked for him?  
His letter came a week ago,  
And with it was his list,  
And most of all he wants a train,  
And that's the one I've missed.  
Quick! Hurry!  
Let's us scamper round,  
We'll find some wheels and tin,  
Then put it all together  
And make a train for him.  
Now everything is ready,  
And soon the moon will rise,  
To light the way for Santa's ride,  
Across the starry skies.  
He'll visit every city,  
Every hamlet,  
Every town,  
In fact, there'll be no single place  
He'll miss the whole world 'round.  
For this is Santa's magic trip,  
He takes from year to year,  
To bring to earth that joy and  
peace,  
That comes with Christmas cheer.

Maybe the slow movement taking place in going down the stairs could be remedied if exterior sliding boards were established from the cafeteria to the first floor.

Everyone thinks the Blair band uniforms look like those of the Good Humor men. Band members have to have good humors to laugh off a remark like that one.





## CARE Members Prepare Clothing Packages for Overseas



Sorting the many clothes that were donated in the recent CARE clothing drive are left to right: Ann Williams, secretary; Patty Morrow, treasurer; Mrs. Emily Holloway, sponsor; Audrey Merriam, president; and Mrs. Frances Andrews, sponsor.

Baby clothes and a man's suit are only part of the items donated by Blair students in a recent clothing drive held last week.

Clothing collected will be sent to destitute families in Europe to whom the various homerooms are now sending standard food CARE packages each month.

The CARE committee sponsored a Christmas dance, Friday, December 17, to climax the clothing drive. The event was held during the afternoon and records were played for dancing. The price of admission was a donation of at least 15 cents which was to pay for postage to send the clothing packages overseas. Audrey Merriam, president of CARE and in charge of the drive, arranged to have refreshments sold.

Many letters of gratitude have been received from the twenty-two families that Blair supports monthly.

### Band, Majorettes Attend Chicago Band Clinic

Eight members of the band and drum-majorette corps returned Sunday, December 12, from the Midwest Band Clinic in Chicago.

Their three-day program included a concert by the Evanston Township Band, from Evanston, Illinois, and several clinics on musical instruments and their repair.

Representing the band were Dorcas McLaughlin, concert mistress; Gordon North, assistant concert master; Mary Ann Kifer, Winfield Talley, George Candish, Dave Feldman, and Nick Lee. Joan Wright was the majorettes' delegate.

Mr. Meserole, director of the band, and Mrs. Hendrick, mother of Phil Hendrick, who is a member of the band, chaperoned the group.

### 113 Students Working

One hundred and thirteen Blair students are excused from their regular classes to be on the Christmas work program in addition to the 35 regular diversified occupation students.

Of the 113 workers in this work plan, 43 are seniors, 30 are juniors and the remaining 30 are sophomores.

Mr. Cummings, director of the program, said that probably half are salespeople in one form or another. Any number of these are selling Christmas trees and Christmas wreaths. He explained that nearly all the students are employed in Silver Spring.

### T. B. Germ Tells All

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he has these symptoms?

- A. I should give away secrets of the trade? O. K., just this once. By all means, the person should see a doctor. The doc will probably send him to a sanatorium, because rest, quiet, freedom from worry, and good food are the things that lick me. A lot of people think that quack serums can cure T. B., but this is a falsehood, not to say an untruth, and a lie. I, myself, can be killed in a few minutes by boiling water, or in a few hours in sunlight and fresh air, but of course you can't dump somebody into a vat of boiling water, or hang out their lungs on a clothes-line! Unlike most germs, drying and freezing do not kill me; I am a very "tough guy"!
- Q. You attack only the lungs, don't you?
- A. Definitely not! I can attack any part of the body—glands of the neck, bowels, skin, kidneys, bladder, eyes, ears, bones, vocal cords—but my specialty is the lungs. In fact, 92% of T. B. deaths are from respiratory tuberculosis.
- Q. Can people who have never been in close contact with the tuberculosis patient still get the disease?
- A. Oh, yes! I may be riding the dust in the air that you are breathing now, or I may be on that pencil you're chewing!
- Q. It seems that I can't avoid you! Is there a way?
- A. I shouldn't tell you these things, but I guess it won't hurt this once. There are two ways of avoiding me. Keep your body strong by getting at least eight hours of sleep every night, and keep the window open; spend some time every day doing out-of-door exercise; eat lots of nourishing foods; avoid overwork, late hours, all exercises which weaken the body, and go to a doctor for an examination once a year.

Don't let me into your body; wash your hands before eating and preparing meals, use pasteurized milk, and try to keep away from people who cough or spit a lot—or *may* get you, too!

Despite all the boasting that T. B. did, I could tell that a lot of it was due to an inferiority complex. Under my subtle questioning

### Pat Frazier Wins Ten Dollar Prize

Prizes were awarded to four Blair girls in the fashion show sponsored jointly by the home economics department and the Wonder Silk Store, of Silver Spring.

In the advanced sewing class, Pat Frazier won first prize of ten dollars for a taupe suit, and Mary Acre, for a tan suit, won a string of pearls as second prize.

Margie Hardee and Nancy Hein won first and second prizes respectively in the beginners' class. Identical prizes were given to this class by Wonder Silk.

Judy Davis, Amy Lou Johannes, Patty Gary, and Carol Whitt together with professional models, showed the ideal outfits for the school girl.

The jewelry worn was lent by the Silver Shop; hats from the Silver Spring Hat Shop; bags, scarfs, gloves from Charles, Haberdasher to Women; hair styles from Barrett and Parker; and the flowers from Masons' Flower Shop.

### Public Speaking Class Participates in Talks

Then members of Mr. Meserole's public speaking class participated in the discussion of the United Nations held at Lisner Auditorium recently and sponsored by George Washington University.

Attending from Blair were George Candish, Muriel Sandifer, Danny Lyons, Chuck Richards, Eileen Collins, Bobby Theofield, Paul Taggart, Sher Lee Cheek, David Feldman and Gay DeNike.

Four authorities on Atomic Power addressed the whole group. Later small groups were formed to discuss various problems and policies informally.

The group elected a president, vice-president, and secretary of the conference and general assembly.

he finally broke down and said, "Well, frankly, I *am* worried; fifty years ago I was the number one killer in America—they called tuberculosis the "Great White Plague" and "Captain of the Men of Death." Now I kill less than half as many people as I did 20 years ago, and I'm down to seventh place. That's mainly because I wasn't known before 1882—that was when Robert Koch (the bum!) discovered that I was the cause of T. B.; now that people know who I am, and how to stay clear of me, it's becoming hard on me. What's a germ to do?"

## Former Sweethearts Attend Classes; "Liz" Captures "Miss Frostbite" Title

While Blairites are awaiting the announcement of their Christmas Queen, here's a quick glance at former Blair sweethearts. Bea Bartlett '48 is a Home Economics major at Maryland University and a pledge of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Recently selected over fourteen other candidates as Maryland's representative in the "Miss Frostbite" regatta was "Liz" Smith '47. Dolly Sapp '46 is now in her junior year at University of Maryland, where she is specializing in advertising and is a member of Gamma Phi Beta. Queen of '45, Libby Herdtfelder, has entered the nursing career, after having graduated from Garfield Hospital School of Nursing.

The First Baptist Church of Silver Spring was the wedding scene for Kay Inscow '46 and Bill Cumbe, assistant pastor of the church. Jackie Runkle '46 served as maid of honor, while Jamie Gill McLeod and Jo Foster were bridesmaids.

### Doris Johnson Wed

Doris Johnson '48 became "Mrs." on November twenty-seventh, when her marriage to "Sonny" Johnson took place at the Naval Communications Chapel in Washington, D. C. The wedding party was composed of Pat Mason, maid of honor, and Marie Lawson, Bea Bartlett, Pat Hall, Patty Althaus, and Hope Henderson, bridesmaids; with Leo Cavanaugh, best man; and Dave Smith, Bill and Bob Mauger, and Jimmy Ganns as ushers. The newlyweds are making their home in Takoma Park.

The marriage of Claire Irwin, a graduate of Blair, and now an employee of the C. and P. Telephone Company, to Joseph Miller, a student at Maryland University, will take place January twenty-second.

December twenty-eighth has been selected by Lois Proctor '44 at the date of her wedding to James Parker, a student at Maryland University. Betty Shinn '47 and Mrs. Richard Faulconer will be her attendants.

### Joyce Miles Betrothed

Joyce Miles '47, now a sophomore at American University and a member of Kappa Delta sorority, has announced her engagement to Charles Weigel, an engineering student at Maryland University and a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

November 27 was the birthday for tiny Carolyn Sue, daughter of "Poppy" and Bob Xander. Also in the news of the younger set is Kenneth John, the month-old son of Dot and Al Henderson.

Johnny Klipstein '46 who played last year with the Columbia team of the Pittsburgh Pirates, has been sold to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Two sorority sisters of Gamma Phi Beta at Maryland University are Pat Taylor and Janice Bradshaw. Pat is training in the school's nursery department while Janice is competing a two-year course in secretarial training.

Francis N. Waldrop, a third year student at George Washington University, placed first in section one of the 1948 National Anatomy Examination by the National Board of Medical Examiners. He rated first in a class of 78.

### Logue Nears Completion

The 1949 edition of the Blair yearbook, "Silverlogue," is gradually being completed. At this time, all senior, junior, and athletic pictures, except those of the spring events, have been submitted to the publisher.

Two deadlines have already been met, and work is almost finished for the third deadline this week.

### Bea Crowns Tenth Queen

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December of her junior year.

The queen's court of last year included Hope Henderson, Lois Bergmann, Pat Hall, Betty Lee, Peggy Bowman, and Barbara Browning.



# Hurry!

*They went that way!*

"Please—Mrs. Smith. Get help quick! Two men are breaking into the post office safe!"

It was 3 o'clock in the morning when Mrs. Smith of the telephone company received this frantic call.

Swiftly she acted. Calling up a number of men who lived near the post office, she bade them hurry to the scene of the theft. But the bandits, suspicious, had made their escape.

Learning of this, Mrs. Smith phoned the police in a nearby city. She gave them the license number of the fleeing car and warned them which roads the bandits might use in approaching the town.

By locating a subscriber whom the bandits had asked for directions, Mrs. Smith was able to provide police with an accurate description of the fugitives. Thanks to her quick action and persistence, the men were soon captured.

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An unusual story? Not in the life of a telephone operator. Day and night, behind the tiny flashing lights on the switchboard, stories of birth, triumph—and sometimes tragedy—unfold. And often, it is the calm assurance and quiet courage of the girl at the board that averts disaster.

This reputation for willing service, over and above the line of duty, is a constant source of pride and satisfaction to the men and women of the telephone company. **The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City.**



## Blazers to Face Barons at Md. U.

Returning from their Christmas vacation the Blazer Five will resume action against Annapolis, Gonzaga and Roosevelt, all of which are away games.

Their home games throughout the month of January will be with Friends, Bethesda, at Maryland U., and St. John's. This will be the first year Blair has scheduled Friend's or St. John's. Both have good teams and are two of the four main obstacles which Blair will have to overcome to chalk up a successful season.

### Promises to Be Close

Blair will try to continue its good work against Bethesda, at Maryland U., on January 21. Having defeated the Barons in football 32-6, they also hope to conquer them by a decisive score in basketball. Last year, in the first game, the score was close. The second game was a little one-sided with the Barons on the top side in both occasions. This year it promises to be a still closer game than ever before in history of the two schools.

### Ed Chapin Leads

Ed Chapin is leading the team, so far in the scoring department. Ed is 6 ft. 3 in. and plays center. In the opening game, with Priory, Ed totalled "seventeen" points and in the following game with Hyattsville scored 14 points.

Ray Lockett also is showing promise and looms largely in the hopes of Coach Tony Creme for a successful season.

Honorable mention goes to End Be-Bob Thompson.

Tackle—Reno Continetti.

Backs—Bob Theofield and Bill Mess.

Captain was awarded to Ed Robbins. Managers were Tony Creme and Tom Ridgway, while coach was awarded to the one and only Morgan Wootten.

## Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Fri., Jan. 7	Sherwood	H	3:30
Tues., Jan. 11	Rockville	A	2:30
Fri., Jan. 14	Annapolis	A	3:30
Tuesday, Jan. 18	Fairfax	H	3:30
Fri., Jan. 21	Hyattsville	A	3:00
Tues., Jan. 25	Bladensburg	A	2:30
Fri., Jan. 28	Sherwood	A	3:30
Tues., Feb. 1	Rockville	H	3:30
Friday, Feb. 4	Bethesda	A	3:30
Tues., Feb. 15	Hyattsville	H	3:30
Fri., Feb. 18	Fairfax	A	2:30
Tues., Feb. 23	Annapolis	H	3:30
Fri., Feb. 25	Bethesda	H	3:30
Tues., Mar. 1	Bladensburg	H	3:30

## Coach Lippy Works Out Girls' Basketball Squad

The bruises will just have to get blacker, and the bumps bigger, because Coach June Lippy will be continuing the daily work-outs of her basketball squad until early January.

Since October the muscular girls of Blair have worn out five basketball nets, with their swish shots.

Their practices go on daily, with the exception of Wednesday. (They decided to let the fellows have the gym for one day!)

Their opening game will be at home, with Sherwood High. The Blazerettes challenged several professional women's teams, but they all refused, knowing how badly they would be beaten!

Whether it be against pro (?) teams or the regular high school teams this year, the Blazerettes intend to try to make this their best season yet.

## Blair Wins Opener, Downs Priory 39-25

Blair won its first basketball game of the season by defeating Priory 39-25, here in the Blair gym.

Priory was the first to score and it looked as if they might defeat Blair for the second year in a row. Blair, led by their hustler, Ed Chapin, who scored 17 points, made a comeback to finally win out 39-25. This was the second year these two teams have met. Both now have won one and lost one. Last year Priory won, on Ed Chapin, who scored two points for them, 26-24. Chapin got revenge this year by dropping in 17 tallies for the Blazers.

### Box Score

Blair	Points	Points	Priory
Lockett	2	10	Hayden
Richards	2	2	Foley
Larimore	6	1	Cahill
Chapin*	17	4	Duclesne
Schief	0	2	Irwin
Parsons	6	0	J. Foley
Linton	4	6	McDonald
Wootten	2	0	Sontag
Total	39	25	

## Blazers Win in Two Overtimes, 40-39

The Red and White chalked up its second win in two starts by defeating Hyattsville 40-39, in two overtimes, on the losers' court.

Blair went into the game a "wee bit" over confident and were really surprised when they found themselves 9 points behind going into the last quarter.

Ed Chapin, refusing to give up, scored six quick points while Larimore and Schief assisted him with two points apiece, thus ending the game. The score was 32-32.

In the first overtime both teams scored four points apiece and a second overtime had to be played. Blair scored four points more while Hyattsville scored only three. Blair was the victor by a slim one-point margin. The final score was Blair 40, Hyattsville 39.

### Box Score

Blair	Points	Hyattsville	Pts.
Larimore	10	Guest	3
Richards	2	Golder	3
Chapin	14	Leaman	6
Schief	6	Gonsalves	0
Parsons*	8	Adams	8
Linton	0	Lytle	16
Lockett	0	Heeley	3
Total	40	Total	39

## B-Town Lions Toast Blair

Blair's football squad and cheerleaders were guests of the Bethesda Lions Club at the Kenwood Country Club, November 30, on the occasion of the annual banquet given in honor of the winner of the Blair-Bethesda gridiron tilt.

Other guests, who enjoyed a southern friend chicken dinner, included the Bethesda team and cheerleaders and the Silver Spring Lions Club.

The highlight of the evening occurred when Dick Beckwith, the Bethesda captain, turned over the Lions Club Trophy to Blair's captain, Ricky Harrison. Aably assisting Dick was Pat Reeves, the Bethesda cheerleaders' captain.

The evening's program closed with the showing of films of the Blair-Bethesda game.

Buy T. B. Seals

## Blazers Slaughter Fairfax by 76-34

Rolling up their highest basketball score in four years, the Blazers took their fourth straight from Fairfax, 76-34, here last Friday night.

The Red and White lost no time in taking the lead. Led by Billy Larimore and Bill Schief, Creme's team jumped out in front 28-6 in the first quarter. The starting five saw little action the rest of the game. At the half Blair was in the lead, 44-7.

### Rebels Rally

Upon returning to the floor, Walt Mason, Tom Watlington, and Morgan Wootten led the Blairmen on to a third quarter score of 66-12. In the last quarter, however, the Rebels managed to rally and reach the high tally of 34 points.

Their high scoring honors went to Jim Miller, who tallied 25 markers.

### J. V. Also Wins

Led by the scoring of Thompsons, which was 12 points, and the hustle and fight of Main, the Blair Juniors defeated the Fairfax Junior Rebels, 30-18.

The Blair J. V. was trailing for the first half but rallied in the second to win going away. This was the J. V.'s first win in two starts.

### Box Score

Blair	Points	Fairfax	Points
Linton	4	Fentriss	2
Richards	1	Miller	25
Lockett	4	Fentriss	2
Chapin	3	Williams	2
Parsons	5	Cannon	1
Larimore	12	Spilman	3
Mason	11	Barrett	0
Wootten	6	Gresham	0
Williams	4	Cavdle	3
Schief	7	Harris	0
Downs	8		
Theofield	2	Total	36
Watlington	9		
Total	76		

## Ruptured Ducks Lose 13-0

Paced by the running and passing of Bill Schief, his team defeated the Ruptured Ducks, Don Bell's team, by a score of 13-0, in the intramural finals played December 3.

Schief's team kicked off to the Ruptured Ducks before the crowd of more than 400 chilled spectators. Donald Bell, the tailback, and captain for the Ducks, fumbled the kick-off and the Schiefs recovered and marched 45 yards to their first touchdown.

The score came on a pass from Schief to Ronald Spangenburg. Schief then carried for the extra point making the score 20. The second and final score came early in the second half on a pass from Louis Simpson passed to Schief, who faked a lateral, and then ran 26 yards for the score, ending the game 13-0, giving the Schiefs the intramural championship.

### Line-Ups

Schief		Bell
Van Vranken	E	Forward
Spangenburg	T	Hagburg
Misbitt	C	Bandborn
Lyons	T	Goldaler
Simpson	B	Bell
Schief	B	Haminton

Blissful days  
School work done;  
Boy friend's true,  
Worries none.

Alarm clock rings  
Ends this bliss;  
Why do dreams  
All end like this?

Columbia Log

## Sports News and Interviews

By Paul Taggart

## Blair Wins County Crown; Robbins, Harrison Chosen For All Suburban Teams

"Hail! To the 1948 County Champs: Montgomery Blair."

Blair won this crown by defeating Bethesda, a few moons ago, 33-6 at Maryland U. The Blazers, as usual, entered the game as the underdog. But before the first quarter was over the fans actually wondered just who really was the underdog, Blair, who had scored twice, or Bethesda who had not yet tallied.

As to Blair's team there was no weak spot to be found. The line play was a thing of beauty and the running of Bob Cushman, and the passing of Ray Lockett, was excellent.

### Spain Deserves Credit

Helby Spain, Bethesda's star back, also played a fine game. He was the only one able to gain inch one, through or around the strong Blazer line.

Spain passed to Dick Beckwith for Bethesda's only score.

Yes, he did it, "how," I don't know, but it was done and by the guy who said he not only could but would do it. Billy Mess played first string for three years and never scored against Bethesda, until the last play, of the last game, of the last year. Bob Cushman passed to Bill in the flat as the game ended, but the play was in motion so it was allowed to continue to be counted. Well, Bill danced and pranced 32 yards for a touchdown and the County Crown was given to Blair as the final score read Blair 32, Bethesda 6.

### Robins, All Suburban

Ed Robins was chosen by the Washington Post as All Suburban first string tackle. Ed was Blair's right tackle and one of the heaviest men on the Blazer line.

## Honor Society to Hold Alumni Night

The annual alumni basketball game will be played in the gym tomorrow night, sponsored by the school's Honor Society.

Although it is not a schedule game for the Blazers, the alumni will be trying to break the Blairmen's unbeaten record of four straight wins.

The graduate five will probably consist of "old timers," such as Bill Kyle, Bill Hosselbarth, Volney Schulze and Jack Goode. The only thing certain about the Blazer line-up is the fact that Coach Creme will start five players, since the entire squad have been showing possibilities.

### Alumni to Cheer

Not only the boys but the girls will also be on hand to cheer the alumni on to victory (they hope).

Some of the cheerleaders will be Liz Smith, Bea Bartlett, Pat Mason, Jeanne Forcade, Betty Lee, and Joan Mitchell.

A dance is also scheduled to follow whereupon old acquaintances shall be renewed.

It seems that presidents at Blair run in families; possibly heredity has something to do with it—witness the Alexander's and, now, the Theofield dynasties.

All the girls in the band who can't tie their ties usually can depend on a certain male to do it for them. Now it looks like the gal who is fit to be tied doesn't need to worry about a thing.

est men on the Blazer line. He was noted for sportsmanship and fair play. Ed was best on defense and played outstandingly in the St. John's and Hagerstown games. Ricky Harrison was also placed on the squad and both Ed and Ricky have excellent chances to be chosen on the All-State squad, which has not yet been announced. Bob Cushman and Ray Lockett would certainly deserve berths on either mythical squad.

### Sligo Creek Team Chosen

I received a phone call, from a person who goes by the name of Bob Addie, last night. Addie and his side kick Skinty Pavish asked, "If an All Sligo Creek Team was to be chosen this year." "Well," I answered, "What is your opinion, Mr. Addie?" "Definitely select one," was his answer, and so here is my choice of the "G" string "All Sligo Creek."

Right End—The slowest man in football, "Gluefoot" Richards.

Right Tackle—The most underrated player on the team, Sid Butler.

Right Guard—The tallest, lightest player in football history, Ricky Harrison.

Center—Just Plain John Kennedy (N. C.)

Left Guard—Thrifty number, "Waldo" Chamblin

Left Tackle—"Lover" Davis

Left End—"Wee Willie" Larimore

Quarter Back—The roughest, toughest player in Blair's history—"Smoot the Snot"

Halfback—"Officer Murphy" Perkins

Halfback—"Luckman Jr." Lockett

Fullback—"Thrifty Number 2" Cushman.

## Girls' "B" Club Meets

The Girls' "B" Club held its monthly meeting at Beverly Hunt's house, when it was decided that the girls were to sell the "B" Club pencils in the cafeteria at noon.

During the order of business the members discussed the girls' slumber party and set a date for some time in May.

## Blair Smothers De Matha

Captained by Chuck Richards, and led in scoring by Ray Lockett and John Linton, Blair won its third straight, 49-33, over St. John De Matha on the home court, December 4, at 3:30.

Bill Richardson of De Matha was high scorer of the afternoon, for both sides, as he tallied 17 points. Ray Lockett was next for Blair with 13.

The game was slow and both teams lost the ball innumerable times by bad passing. This was the first time Blair has ever played De Matha and had no trouble beating them.

### Box Score

Blair	Points	De Matha	Points
Larimore	5	Richardson	17
Richards*	3	Monohan	2
Lockett	13	DeVane	8
Linton	10	Salter	6
Chapin	4	O'Rourke	0
Schief	3	Greene	0
Parsons	4	Boyer	0
Theofield	4	Donald	0
Williams	3	Parlor	0
Total	49		33



# Bea Crowns Tenth Annual Sweetheart



Bea Bartlett, last year's sweetheart, crowns Joan Carl, the new queen at the Christmas Formal in the presence of the court who are, left to right, Priscilla Varney, Joan Hover, Gay De Nike, Barbara MacCollum, Priscilla Ridge, and Anne Swayzee.

## New Mid-Year Program Replaces Project Week As Examinations Near

Plans for a new type of mid-year program to cover a period of two weeks, January 24 to February 4, are nearing completion to replace the project week of previous years.

During the first week of the program, instead of attending classes, students will take semester examinations and have guidance conferences, which will include a twenty-minute talk for every student with his homeroom teacher and with other subject teachers as needed.

### Parents Urged to Confer

Parents also will be invited to confer with teachers during this week by appointment. Mr. Shaw, principal at Blair, emphasized the importance of these conferences to parents of seniors since they will need knowledge of college preparations and scholarships if their children plan to continue their education.

January 31 to February 4 will be a transition week devoted to changing from the first semester program to that of the second. Work of the first semester will be evaluated and plans made for the second half year, teachers and pupils working together. Regular classes will be in session during this second week.

The Faculty voted on December 20 to omit project week this year after hearing the report of the Coordinating Council, which recommended such action.

### County Advises Change

Large classes and over-crowded

conditions coupled with the experience of last year that great difficulty was found in administering the projects provided the main cause for the change. Mr. Shaw, in a recent interview, explained that, "There is a great percentage of new students at Blair who have no background for project week."

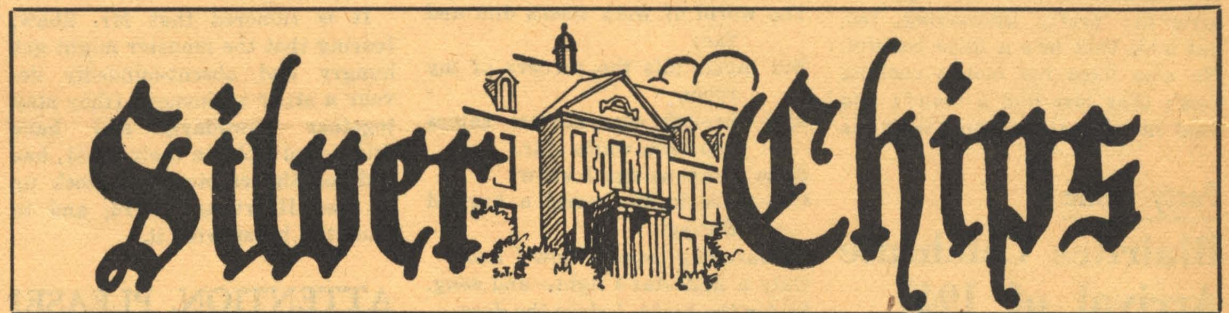
Blair's revision of the mid-year plan is in accordance with Montgomery County's policy of more classroom work with less outside interferences and with the County's recommendation in regard to project week received recently.

### Project Grades Valuable

Project week was started about ten years ago to give students a chance to choose a project which they had always wanted to do but never had time for and to carry it out in the allotted five days. The students were required to plan, in writing, the materials, location, and necessary skills for the project and to keep a timesheet during the week which accounted for the time spent on the job. The projects were evaluated at the end of the week and a grade assigned to the undertaking.

Mr. Shaw pointed out that the project grade was recorded on the permanent record card and that businessmen checking on applications for positions were interested in these grades.

Also, during the week time was provided for teachers to schedule guidance conferences with the pupils and to secure data necessary for permanent records.



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## School Government Changes Next Term

Changes in Blair's student government are slated for the second semester because the Student Council has decided after considerable study of the problem that the present council and legislative system is inefficient in a school of Blair's size.

The student legislature and council will be streamlined into a new student council, including an elected congress and an appointed cabinet.

Elections, which are to be held as soon as possible, will have five representative from each class. Present legislature representatives will be candidates this year.

A student court is being elected to try students who break school rules.

This consists of two judges elected from each grade and a chief justice elected from the senior class. The alternate judge for each class will be the candidate who comes in third in the voting. The chief justice is responsible for pressing alternates into service whenever necessary.

In operating the new system, the chief justice receives the offender's name and a statement of his offense from the chairman of the Order Committee. The offender is notified of the time he is to appear.

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## Inter-High Council Meets at Sherwood

Ten students representing Blair attended the December meeting of the Inter-High Council held at Sherwood High School in December.

Blairites attending the meeting included Bob Theofield, who holds the Inter-High position of treasurer; Joyce Duvall, Bob Alexander, Betty Gill, Muriel Sandifer, Ann Swayzee, Sara Pryor, and the alternating members, Bill Larimore, Jackie Steele, and Eleanor Wood.

Of general interest is the fact that the Publicity Committee reported that this year there will be four contests on sports, editorials, news and features at the annual press convention. Two contestants from each school will be allowed in each of the four contests instead of the usual one person.

The Ways and Means Committee discussed the further plans for the Inter-High Dance to be held March 5 at Richard Montgomery.

## FLASH!!

The faculty gave a surprise party Monday afternoon for Mr. K. Rhodes and Mr. Maguire in honor of their recent engagements. A large decorated cake and "cokes" were served.

## Chips Ties In T. B. Contest

Through the efforts of Bob Williams and Ray Musselwhite, the December issue of *Silver Chips* tied for first place with the Richard Montgomery High School paper, *Tide*, in the Montgomery County Tuberculosis Association contest.

"Murder! Microscopically Speaking," handled in an extremely clever manner by Bob Williams and the cartoon, only on artistic masterpieces of Musselwhite, in *Chips* is "worthy to be submitted on state basis to be judged," more, stated Miss Clara Executive Secretary of T. B. Association. This state contest will be on a national basis.

Reporting Monday, January 14, for pictures of the County contest participants were Editor-in-Chief Joyce Darby; Bob Williams, Editor Wallace Comegys of the *Tide*; and the judges, Dr. John Ball, M.D.; Editor John Coffman, of the *Takoma Journal*; Mrs. Elsie Haines, editor of the *Montgomery County Sentinel*, and Miss Jeanne Wright, representative of the Montgomery County T. B. Association.

Each of the winning papers  
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# Bashful Bobby Takes the Lead

"He's mine!"  
"Mine!"  
"He's mine!"

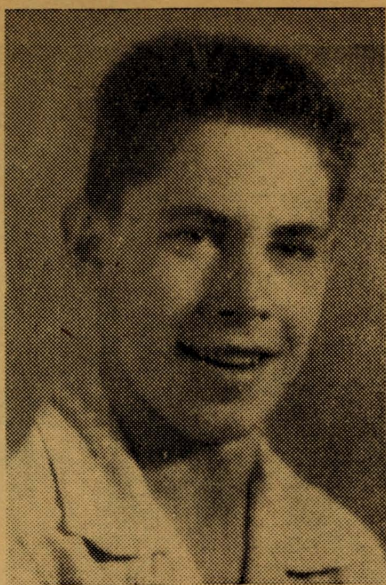
Your reporter battled through this mad throng of screaming females to view, or perhaps (if lucky) to interview the center of all this excitement! No, it wasn't Bing or Frankie, or even Pete Lawford. "Who?" you ask. Why Bobby Theofield, of course!

After escaping the mob of girls, Bobby revealed that he was born in Long Island, New York, on January 18, 1931. In his early life Bobby moved around quite a bit, living first in North Carolina, then Frederick, Md., Washington, D. C., and Bethesda, Maryland (Traitor!), where he attended elementary school.

After moving to his present home in Silver Spring (now you're talking) Bobby finished elementary school at Four Corners, attended Takoma Junior High, and then came to the sacred halls of Blair.

Immediately after his arrival at Blair, Bobby began to prove his ability as a leader by being elected homeroom president. In his junior year he was chosen treasurer of the Student Council and became a member of the Library Club. As a senior Bobby succeeds his brother Johnny (and I needn't tell you this) as President of the Senior Class, and is also treasurer of the Inter-High Council.

Bobby's favorite sport is baseball, but he likes to play football and basketball, too. He says that girls are pretty interesting, too, but adds that he's a little bashful. He also likes his mom's cooking (isn't that just like a man?) and food in general, fighting with his



Bobby Theofield

brothers, hunting, the color red, and spring (hmmmm!).

Bobby dislikes seafood, and people who are hard to get along with.

After he graduates in June, Bobby plans to attend Maryland University and later would like to go into business with his brother. If he "meets the right girl," he wants to get married but would like to do a little traveling first.

Oh, here come those girls again! So long, Bobby!

## Only This Music

By Julia Collins Ardayne

Only this music is real tonight;  
The world of work seems dim and far;

But music fills the corners of my room,  
And through my window shines one first, white star.

Eons and eons ago I knew  
Out there in the world a harried throng;

Of hurrying people—now I know  
Only a first star's light—and song.  
In for the night, I close the door  
On the day's sharp contours—touch and go—

Only this music is real tonight;  
This one star; and loved things I know.

(Editor's note: This selection was written by Mrs. Julia Collins Ardayne, a member of the Blair faculty, and was published first by the *New York Times*, December 28, 1948.)

'n Bill, Buddy Wilson, Bob Cushman, Morgan Wooten, Tommy Keller, Ed Chapin 'n Sue Mitchell, Marlita Scott 'n Chuck Richards, Bill Mess, Mickey Robbins 'n Billy Foy, Joan Haney 'n Mitch Parsons, Bobby Theofield, Jo Lewellen 'n Tucker Morris, Joan Long 'n Bob Mayberry, John Kennedy, John Perkins, Paul Perkins, and you name them—they were there.

Barbara Schellenberger's cake party was quite the thing. Gabbin 'n Gabbin were Joan Long, Dee Smith, Charlotte James, Dot Moseley, Joan Keagle, Jeanne Rembert, Mary Marsh, Mickey Robbins, Jean Fales, Myra Godsey, Jean Faulconer, Marie 'n Mable Vickers, Lennie Leonhart, Sally Baehr, Mary McCaslin and many more.

One of the most successful parties of the holidays was given by Pat Thompson for Joan Baker, (A birthday surprise no less.) Dancing in their coats at Pinecrest Cabin were Joe Downs, Jimmy Downs, JoBe Moore, Ballard Dorsey, Bill Simpson, Dot, Ray Jackson, Nancy Simpson, Janice Patton, Pete Swinehart, Ray Lockett 'n Margaret, Ed Chapin, Marlita Scott, and many more.

## Dogs Get Educated

Mary, the gal what had a lamb who followed her to school, hasn't anything on many Blairites whose dogs seem to board at Blair. Recently a member of the school board came to Blair; he saw so many dogs that when a student asked if he were looking for someone, he replied, "No thanks, I thought I was at Blair High School, but I guess this is the local dog pound."

A student at Blair nowadays is hounded (!) by dogs from the moment he enters the sacred portals until school is over. In fact, there really are two dogs who have taken it upon themselves to welcome students in the morning, and bark goodbye at 3:30.

Almost every morning a black-and-white mutt enters Mr. Basta's room, roams through every aisle while everybody pats him, and then walks out the back door.

Just as this mongrel's matin begins the day, so does the day for pupils in many of Mrs. Andrews' typing classes late in the afternoon. For "Crusty," a rust-colored pooch with kind eyes, trots between the typing tables with a lick here, a nuzzle there, and a wag of the tail for all.

In case you were worrying about that huge beast that stalked the halls at Blair recently, the Dog Editor of *Chips* is glad to report that it was not a pony who had forgotten to eat his Wheaties (or rather, his Oaties, Breakfast of Citations)—it was just a Great Dane, a magnificent animal that looked like the father of the Hound of Baskervilles.

It is rumored that Mr. Shaw, fearing that the monster might get hungry and absent-mindedly devour a stray sophomore (they stay together nowadays, and have frightened looks in their eyes), has ordered the cafeteria to stock up on Red Heart and Pard, and to stuff the beast with it.

## ATTENTION, PLEASE!

"—And now, kiddies," our teacher chortles with glee, "the homework for tonight is—"

"May I have your attention, please?"

"Who dares to shatter the tranquility of my domain with that impertinent interrogation?" roars the teacher wrathfully.

The invading voice belongs to the P. A. system and it continues to make the afternoon announcements. "The order and safety committee demands that students stop going up and "down" escalators. Let's see that this sort of thing doesn't happen again."

"The homework for tonight—" "Will Buddy Wilson report to the guidance office?"

"Tonight's homework is the exercise on page—"

"That's all the announcements." "Now children, I am going to give you the homework assignment. Prepare for the test by doing—"

"Ringgg." Saved by the bell! And so, as the sun sinks slowly in the west and our ship moves away from the shore, we hear our teacher insanely screaming, "The homework is on page 83. I said it and I'm glad."

## Sharing Lockers

Through books and through letters And scarves and a glove, Past "Chips" and an outline, Through these we must shove To get to our prize— The best of the bunch— Just what is this thing? Of course, it's our lunch!!

## Just No Ues Trying!!

Number 20 just caught the kickoff; he's racing down the field. There comes 36 in for a tackle! "To be or not to be; that is the question." Number 36's tackle was just blocked and number 20 is still racing down the field—only 15 yards more to go! "Ophelia now affronts Hamlet, for the cause of his madness must be discovered. "The crowd's going wild, for number 20 has just made the decisive touchdown of a most exciting game.

This jumbled mixture is none less than—yes, English IV, Shakespeare's *Hamlet* AND a terrific game over television.

"That homework just has to be done," explains Eddie patiently to Mom. "Anyone without it tomorrow'll positively get an E for the day." Sigh! "But I just couldn't miss watching this game." "I know I should'a come home right after school today, Mom, but—as, you know how it is. I just sort'a got talking. Anyway the fact remains I've still to do my homework—Mom, what's coming on over T. V. next? What! Hollywood Theatre! But, Mom, I just can't miss hearing it. I've just been dying to hear that story—I've heard sooooo much about it!"

This is the way it goes—a constant struggle between lessons and television. Now there's always one excuse or another for some people, but this television is considered very educational and entertaining, to say the least!

Face the facts; there's only one remedy that will eliminate such a castastrophe as that of fouling up that homework assignment or of missing a favorite T. V. show. *Do better planning!* Remember all that extra long conversation with John, that half hour taken to read comic magazines, and those other non-essential time-wasting activities?

A student with a well-planned schedule misses neither his homework nor his favorite television show! And for a favorable outcome, he NEVER tries to do both at once!

## Let the Shoe Fit Where It May!

As every Blairite definitely knows, assembly conduct has not been up to par this year.

What's the matter? An irreverent buzz continues through the Bible reading, the Lord's Prayer and Flag Salute, which begin each program. If the speaker is a little late, a large number of students use the time to bang on the floor with their feet or clap (this must have a very helpful effect on the already-nervous speaker as he enters). When he appears on the stage, he may be greeted with cat-calls and whistles. His speech is punctuated with uncalled-for laughter on the part of the audience. He goes away with a bad impression of Blairites' manners, and the Blairites have a poor opinion of his speech because they didn't hear it.

It's beginning to look as if students are going to have exercise more self-discipline in this matter of assemblies—or else do without them. Which do they want?

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## Party Line

## Blairites Celebrate Arrival of 1949

By Jo Be Moore

With the holidays came parties galore. After church Christmas Eve, Janice Patten, John Thompson, Marilyn Swafford, Jimmy Wil-

son, Donnie Boerum, Pat Balchman, Chick Harris and Warren Boerum went to Joe Swafford's house for a party.

Seen at the Manor Club last Tuesday night were Priscilla Varney, Jack Kleinstaber, Joan Haney and date, JoBe Moore, Lee Edwards, Pat Bochrans, Hugh McLaughlin, Priscilla Ridge and date, Joan Hattersley, Tommy Van Vranken, Joan Wright, and George

a rare time at the Hadid re Frank Proctor, Bob North 'n Joan Hubbel, 'n 'n Pankie, Frank Anne Swayzee, Bobby Raye Davis, Buddy date, Jessie Pickett

Troxler's New Year's were Shirley Graham, 'n Pat Thompson, Lar-

Ladd, Ted Owens, Mixam 'n Chuck Armstrong, 'n Larimore, Audrey Soderstrom, 'n Lyons and Peggy Holt and others.

Slumber (?) party New Year's Eve at Betty Lou Woodworth's house. Those present were Marilyn Archer, Joan Kitter, Betty

Heim and Nan Weiman.

Eddie Robin's open house drew

crowds New Year's Eve. Particip-

ing in the activities were Mar-

Smith, Paul Taggart 'n Dot

ith, Larimore 'n Audrey, Ellie



## Blair's Annual Alumni Night Highlighted by Game and Dance

Sparked by old timers "Boo" Clark and Johnny O'Connor, the Alumni basketball team touched off the excitement of the holiday season for former Blairites by producing a fast, though unsuccessful, game at the annual Alumni Night.

The team, coached by Bob Rodeffer, home from Western Maryland, featured such well-remembered stars at Bill Kyle, Olie Brockdorf, Bill Hosselbarth, Jack Goode, Volney Schulze, and "Sonny" Larimore.

After the game, an informal record dance provided an opportunity for former classmates to renew acquaintances.

### Many Students Home

Among the many students home from college for the holidays were Frank Richter and Ed Fox from Cornell; "Sprigg" Duvall, Princeton; Jimmy Fischer, United States Naval Academy; Martha Barber, Byrn Mawr; Marcia Kauffman, Northwestern; "Skip" Swayzee, Amherst; Barbara Hannigan, Dean School of Massachusetts; and Louise Lonsway, Hood College, Maryland.

### Barbara Kuhn Tapped

Barbara Kuhn '45, a student at Maryland University, was recently selected as one of three students to be tapped by Alpha Kappa Delta, national honorary sociology society.

A former "Chips" Alumni editor, Lea Bracken, is now a journalism student at George Washington University.

Bruce Stedman, an outstanding student of Blair in former years, has recently returned from Haifa, Palestine, where he served with a United Nation investigation committee. He is now living in Great Neck, New York, where he is continuing his U. N. work.

Spending the holidays with her parents was Jeanette Smith '46, who has been doing professional modeling in New York for over a year.

Now in Hollywood is Banks Murray, a scriptwriter and narrator for Cathedral Films, producers of religious and educational films.

### Bernard Linkins Promoted

Bernard Linkins, who is remembered as the designer of the Blair seal, has recently been promoted to the position of secretary with an advertising firm in Washington, D. C.

A former baseball star at Blair, Charlie Ridgeway, has been drafted from a minor league team in Georgia to a Class "AA" team in Texas.

## Nanci McCaleb Lands Job at Times-Herald

About two months ago Nanci McCaleb walked into the Times-Herald office to see if she couldn't help Blair get more publicity. As a result "Blair in the News" was begun in connection with the Times-Herald. Nanci writes articles about all happenings of interest at Blair.

Incidentally it would be appreciated if anyone having "news dope" would contact Nanci.

### Old Hand at the Game

Not by any means is Nanci new at the newspaper game. In elementary school she started a paper called the "Raymond Reporter" and in junior high ran a gossip column in the "Powell Echo."

Nanci gives a newspaper columnist as one of her ambitions. That's a long, hard road, Nanci, but then landing a copy-girl job isn't the easiest one.

## Sr. Tri-Hi-Y Schedules February "Splash Party"

Ambassador Pool will ring with the shouts of Blair swimmers at the Senior Tri-Hi-Y "Splash Party" on February 5 from 9 till 12 p. m.

The Senior Tri-Hi-Y Chapter, sponsoring this new type of party, extends a cordial invitation to everyone.

Joan Hover, who made the arrangements for the party, said, "We rented the entire pool for the evening. The purpose is to raise funds for school improvements."

Admission charge will be \$1.80 per couple and \$1.00 stag.

## Disney's Whistler Amuses Blairites

Dr. Ernest W. Nickel, whistler and sound-effects man for Walt Disney's productions, entertained Blair students at an assembly, January 7, and was received with enthusiastic acclaim.

Dr. Nickel explained that, as a college student, he became friendly with Mr. Thomas W. Pyle, who gave him an opportunity to entertain at Poolesville School which afforded him his first real break.

Even as a small child, attending the second grade, his greatest love was whistling and often this proved quite a problem, because, if he decided he wanted to whistle, no matter where he was, he did just that.

Dr. Nickel has studied his throat all of his life, and he can whistle a note so high that the human ear cannot hear it. The temperature's being colder in the East than in California has caused his whistling to drop four to five notes lower.

"Blue Danube," "Whistle While You Work," and "Hi Ho" were some of the songs he whistled, along with whistling letters and words as birds would do.

## Hygiene Group to Show Film, "Human Growth"

The Social Hygiene Committee of the Montgomery County Community Chest and Council is presenting a Socio-Drama for parents on the Where, When, and How of Sex Education on February 2, in the Blair gym.

Roles in the three-part drama will be taken by students from Blair and other county high schools and by teachers, parents and members of the Social Hygiene Committee.

*Human Growth*, the Oregon film, which has been widely publicized, will be shown in connection with this Socio-Drama.

The movie is financed by the University of Oregon and filmed by Hollywood's Eddie Albert. Produced as visual aid for sex education in the sixth through the ninth grades, it is not being used in Montgomery County Schools.

Montgomery County Parents, teachers, and other interested adults are invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

## Dance Held After Game

The Junior Chapter of Tri-Hi-Y will sponsor a record dance after the basketball game today with Sidwell Friends here.

Admission will be twenty-five cents, the money going toward the fund for the Blair handbook, which the Tri-Hi-Y publishes.

## 2nd Report Period Closes With 144 On Honor Roll

The second marking period closed with 144 students rating a place on the honor roll.

Sophomores were Carlton Clark, Howard Metcalfe, John White, Katherine MacDonald, Marie Binnot, D. Gray, Margie Hardee, Polly Alexander, Sharon Le Vitre, Shirley Benner, Betty Fehr, Clara Hoffman, Theresa Junghans, Louise Minick, Nancy Stang, Bea Shaw, Ruth Benson, Barbara McBride, Alice Warfield, Connie LeRoy, Joan Daley, Peggy Holt, Doris Kirby, Jean Lohr, Antoinette McNickle, Joseph Mendum, Courtanay Murphy, Jeanne Rambert, Joyce Maring, George Knouse, Mary McCaslin, William Randall, Marilyn Leonhardt, and Mary Smith.

Juniors making honors were Brian Crowely, Marcia Flickinger, Charlotte Burton, Janet Frocke, Thelma Rice, Joan Smith, Carolyn Wittauer, Lillian Wolf, Eleanor Wood, Ann Hartsfield, Margaret Wilding, Bob Pease, Bill Solomon, Charles Brailer, Percy Goody, Lois Berry, Betty Jean Collier, Jay Kendig, Clark Stout, Major Williams, Barbara Beall, Joyce Duvall, Pat Parkman, Peter Van Royen, Joanne Wyatt, Nick Lee, Sergene Benson, Robert Forward, Mabel Vickers, Harold Hanson, Blair Mullican, Patsy Bomgardier, Nancy Butler, Sally Cameron, Eleanor Crezee, Nancy Kendrick, Joyce Kidwell, Jeanne Lobdell, John Eagleton, John Edwards, Mary Lewis, Ann Williams, Tap Hubbel, Marlita Scott, Nina Bailey, Patti Gary, Ruth Bauman, David Power, Judy Anderson, Mary Ann Kifer, Laurence Collison, John Davis, and Patty Levandoski.

Senior students making honors were Dorothy Bliss, Betty Hicks, Shirley Robbins, Sher Lee Cheek, Joyce Darby, Peggy Davis, Pat White, Lucille Ovenden, Bertha Ann Shapely, Ollie Mae Miller, Genevieve Coe, Hilda Swartz, Pat Beall, Agnes Minick, Ruth Cramer, Regina Thomas, Thelma Orrison, Virginia Keller, Paul Scully, Doris McConoughey, Don Markle, Joyce Atkinson, Carol Jean Turner, Betty Lou Woodworth, Chuck Richards, Robert Merrick, Joan Carl, John Campbell, Joan Hover, Johnny Linton, Pat Smith, Carol Cook, Donald Lashley, Joe Miller, Betty McInnerney, Ronnie Troxler, Dick Walker, Gay DeNike, Pat Hamilton, Victor Jungk, Audrey Merriam, Ralf Peucker, Maclin Roby, Muriel Sandifer, Joan Steward, Robert Teale, Betty Casper, Kevin Owens, Ted McGowan, Lewis Grandstaff, Joan Haney, Marilyn Archer, Priscilla Ridge, Betty Fox, Anita Haferman, Pat Wheeler, Nancy Bakke, Ann Swayzee and Joan Hedgecock.

Sections 10-2, 10-4 and 10-7, were not published due to the fact that they were not turned in on time.

## Silverlogue Takes Poll

Polls of senior class members have been completed recently for this year's *Silverlogue*. Twelve Blair seniors have been elected for special mention by their classmates as the result of these polls. However, their names remain a secret until the yearbook comes out to the student body.

The boys and girls who have been elected represent Blair's most studious, most popular, most athletic, best dressed, best looking, and wittiest students.

## Support Your Team

## Mrs. Collins Resigns After 14 Years

Mrs. Hazel E. Collins, organizer of the Blair Bank and the four-lane commercial program, resigned at the end of 1948 after fourteen faithful years at Blair.

The head of the growing commercial department, Mrs. Collins resigned to take care of her new home, in Clifton Park on Old Bladensburg Road.

### Holds Many Degrees

Mrs. Collins received her B. C. S. from the Teacher Training School for Commercial Teachers in Columbus, Ohio. She studied for her B. A. and M. A. at Catholic University. At Maryland U. she did some more study, including one and a half years of teacher training. For five years she taught in adult night school in the District. She also taught in Cleveland for a while.

Mrs. Collins has quite a green thumb, her hobby being flower gardening.

### Children Attend Blair

Blair is honored with the presence of Mrs. Collins' two children, Eileen, a senior, and Buzzy, of the sophomore class.

Mrs. Collins said upon leaving, "I certainly enjoyed working with the teachers, students, and parents." She expressed her deepest thanks to Mr. Douglass and to Mr. Shaw for their invaluable support in helping her expand the commercial program. "Without their encouragement, I could never have done what I did with the commercial program."

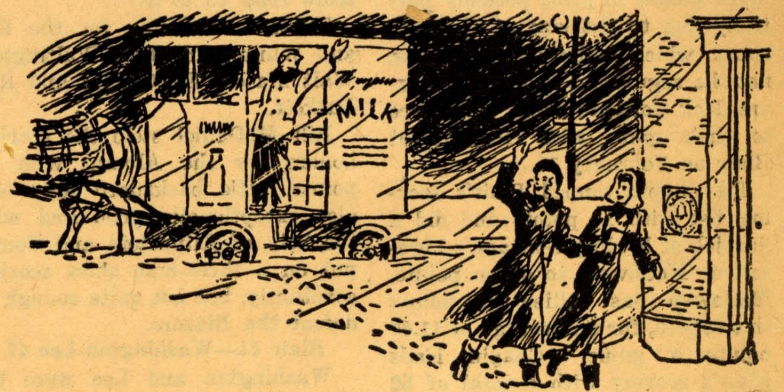
Many at Blair will undoubtedly miss Mrs. Collins' friendly smile.

## T. B. Entries Win Prize

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receive a prize of \$25 to be applied toward the expenses of delegates attending the Columbia Scholastic Press Convention in New York City in March.

Papers were evaluated on the basis of accuracy of facts, clearness, originality, evidence of careful research and understanding, expressed in good newspaper style.



## They came to work in a milk wagon

Did you ever go to work when you didn't have to? Telephone people often do. In times of emergency, great or small, you'll find them willing and eager to help.

During a heavy snowstorm, one group of operators rode to work in a milk wagon. Others arrived on skis and snowshoes. One even came in a hearse.

In another instance, during a disastrous summer storm, many girls on vacation from other telephone companies were quick to volunteer for work at the local switchboards.

And so it goes, time after time, from one end of the nation to the other.

The "spirit of service" is a proud tradition with telephone people. It's the basis of their determination that — come what may — they'll get the message through. The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City.

Mrs. Collins

## Hechts Exhibit Blair Art Work

Student art work from various Montgomery County schools is being exhibited at the Hecht Company, Silver Spring, from January tenth through the fifteenth. This may be found on the third floor.

Pieces of sculpture done by Blair students, will be exhibited. Some of these were shown in the library before Christmas and include "Father and Son" by Priscilla Ridge; "Cat" by Joan Dodson; "Dog" by Barbara Brewton; "Head" by Betty McInnerney; "Peasant" by Ann Musselwhite, and "The Thinker" by Ann Clements.

Samples of textile work by Barbara Brewton, Priscilla Ridge, and Betty McInnerney are also to be exhibited.

The chosen paintings, typical of those seen in the Blair halls, are "Road to the Sea" by Eddie Robins; "Eternity" by Ann Craig; "Fascination" by Joan Neal; "Dorothy" by Lloyd Lily; "Still Life" by Janet Kuhn, and "Still Life with Chinese Masks" by Carol Forbes.



## Blazers Bow To Gonzaga; Face Friends

Despite last Tuesday's close overtime defeat by Gonzaga, Blair's courtmen and their coach, Tony Creme, look forward optimistically to tonight's clash with Sidwell Friends Preparatory School.

The contest, which will be played in the Blair gymnasium at 8 o'clock, will be the second tilt between the two schools, as the Blazers defeated Friends two years ago. Tonight's game will be preceded by a match at 7 o'clock between the junior varsities of the two schools.

### Blair Leads at Half

Last Tuesday's game with Joe Koziks' Gonzaga Eagles proved that the Blair hoop artists are steadily improving. The Blair quintet shared the first six points equally with the Eagles, and then built up a lead which twice reached ten points, and which was not relinquished until late in the final quarter. The Blazers led 21-15 at half-time, and increased this to 27-21 at the end of the third stanza.

In the last quarter the Blazers had a lead of 35-27, but the Eagles sank the next thirteen points, Murphy tying the score at 37 all, and sinking a foul to begin the lead held by Gonzaga until the end of the overtime. Seconds before the whistle blew, Gonzaga led 41-40, but Ed Chapin saved the day, momentarily, by making a foul shot. The game ended 41-41.

### "Best Game So Far"

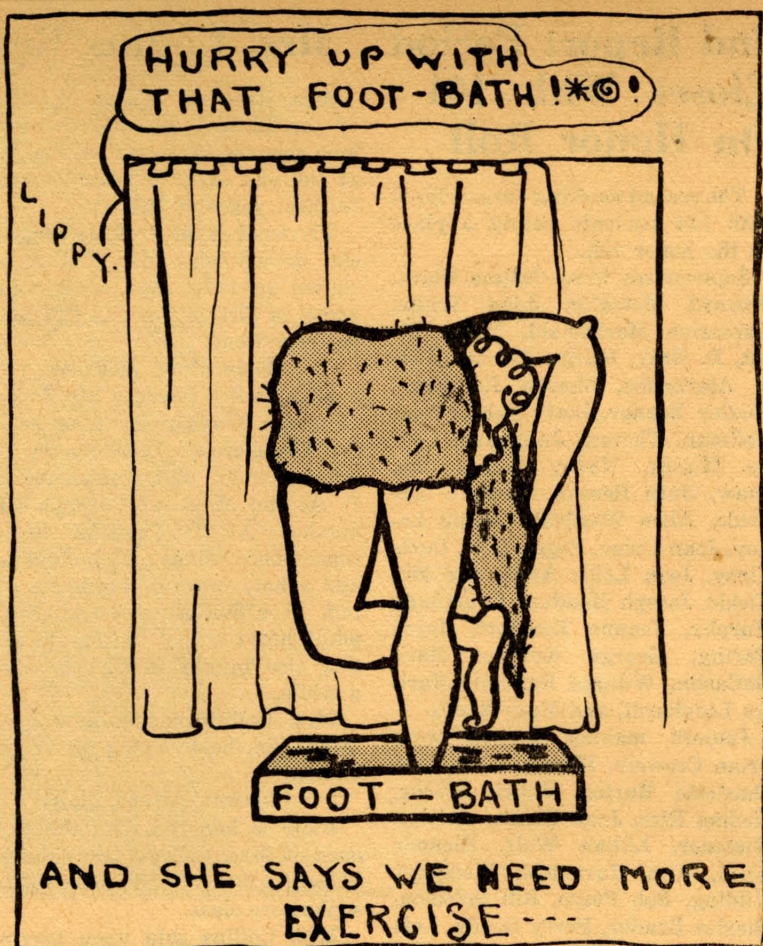
During the overtime Gonzaga scored eight points, six belonging to "Tippy" Larkins, who claimed scoring honors with 17 points. Scheif looped Blair's last two points through the cords making a final tally of 43-46. Coach Creme stated after the game, "We played our best ball yet."

Gonzaga, undefeated in seven starts this year, has lost very few home games in year, possibly partially due to the size of Gonzaga court, which is long and narrow, not the regulation size. The Blazers look forward with confidence to their game with Gonzaga at Blair on February 11.

Ed Chapin topped Blair's scoring list with 14 points and did a fine job of holding Gonzaga's high-scorer, McGowan, to seven points. McGowan has tallied 70 points this season, for an average of 11.67 points a game. Chapin leads Blair's scoring with a total of 52 points, an average of 7.4. Bill Schief, Ray Luckett and John Linton each sank eight points in the Gonzaga game. Officiating were Tucker and Tardugno.

Further basis for Blair confidence rests upon their 44-37 defeat of Annapolis on January 7. Ray Luckett, with 12 points, was Blair's high scorer, while Paulman of Annapolis piled up an imposing 15 points to gain scoring laurels in the game which was played in the Annapolis Armory before about 500 spectators.

Gonzaga	Blair
Larkins, f 17	Larimore, f 3
McGowan, f 2	Luckett, f 8
Smith, f 0	Richards, f 0
Gardiner, f 10	Linton, f 8
Le Compte, f 4	Chapin, c 14
McLan, c 7	Schief, g 8
Murphy, g 6	Parsons, g 2
Mayhew, g 0	—
Hogan, g 0	Total 43
Total 46	



## Blair Blazers 44, Annapolis High 37

The Blair Blazers traveled to Annapolis last week to win their sixth game out of seven starts this season.

After leading by only one point at the half 16 to 15 they rallied to finally win, going away 44 to 37. Ray Luckett and Chuck Richards were the two top scores of the day with 12 and seven points respectively.

John Linton was appointed Captain and also figured in the scoring along with Bill Larimore who tallied six markers.

### Blair 43—Alumni 37

Led by Don Comer and Sonny Larimore, Bill McDaniel and John Klippstein, the Blair Alumni (old times) rallied in the second half but fell six points short of beating the present Blair fire. The final score read 43 to 37.

Those outstanding for the Red and White were Tom Walington, Walt Mason, Ed Chapin and Ray Luckett.

Bill McDaniel stole the scoring honors for the Alumni with 13 points. His backboard play was also exceptionally good and with the help of Klippstein and Comer put on a three-man show scoring constantly, but not quite enough to defeat the Blazers.

### Blair 41—Washington-Lee 47

Washington and Lee were the first of the season to hand the Blazers a defeat.

Blair played sloppy ball and mistakes were made by everyone.

Top scorers were Bill Larimore and Ray Luckett. Both scored ten points apiece. Credit must be given to W. and L., who played fine defense ball, hustling the whole game. Utterback was their spark plug, scoring fifteen points before fouling out late in the final stanza.

### BOX SCORES

Blair	Annapolis
Larimore 6	Hall 11
Richards 7	Storton 0
Luckett 12	Blew 4
Chapin 2	T. Jones 5
Parsons 6	Como 3
Wootten 2	Paulman 15
Mason 0	—
Washington 1	37
Downs 2	
Schief 4	
Linton 3	
Total 44	

## Girls Drop Opener To Sherwood 13-12

Blair girls handed Sherwood High basketball team its third win of the season in January 7, when the Blazerettes could not overcome the one point gain Sherwood held.

Sherwood's Hobbs and Blair's MacInnerney, led the scoring with 7 and 6 points respectively.

The half showed Sherwood in the lead, 12-8. No scoring for either team was done in the third quarter but the Blazerettes went ahead in the last quarter, 13-12. Sherwood again took the lead and held it till the close of the game.

The line-ups were:

Blair	Sherwood
CG Cherrix	CG Merrick
RG Warfield	RG Bryan
LG Walker	LG Watson
CF Gleim	CF Galloway
RF Vickers	RF Gartwul
LF MacInnerney	LF Hobbs

## Changes in Government

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pear in court.

When the offender takes the stand, the chief justice reads the report of the chairman of the order committee. The offender is then given the chance to plead his case after which he is asked to leave the room. The judges then adjourn to reach a verdict. If found guilty, the offender is sentenced to a suitable punishment. These punishments will be standardized, but there will be room for exceptions.

More serious cases will be turned over to the administration with a recommendation from the student court.

Formerly, the Student Council served as a court.

After this year, the chief justice will be elected at the same time as the student council president. Judges will be elected with class officers.

The student council will meet with Mr. Robert Zimmerman during the sixth period. Student court sessions are to be held twice a week after school.

"The School Store has discontinued sale of Blair belts and added to their stock those popular plastic bookcovers", the management announced on Wednesday.

## Where's Your Spirit?

Sports here at Blair are enjoyed and appreciated by everyone. During the past years, the boys' teams have received the moral support of both boys and girls.

The time has come when we believe that the girls have earned both a name and place among the athletic events staged here at Blair. Girls take their sports equally as seriously as the boys, and thus they should be encouraged by your support to strive for better records.

We can help them if we make a special effort to attend all their games. Remember, games aren't won just by the team!

## Library Club Inducts

Approximately 26 juniors will be initiated into the Library Club in the first month of the new year.

Included in the first group to be admitted into the club are Lorene Smith, Ruth Bauman, Joan Hubbel, Vivian Cherrix, Carolyn Whitaur, Sergene Benson, Eleanor Wood, Marlita Scott, Margaret Widling, Mary Lou Hanson, Shirley Smith, David Powers, Jimmy Baliles, Bill Diedrich, Luanne Walker, and Bill Solomon.

At a later date thirteen others to be received into the club include Mariam Thompson, Barbara Bagby, Lorene Ladd, Bill Riggs, Sally Cameron, Mary Brennan, Janice Patton, Gerry Lentz, Ann Hartsfield, Mary Ann Kifer, Dick Fene, Howard Roth, Bernard Shannon, Pat Leef, and Ray Musselwhite.

## Girls Meet Annapolis In Third Game of Season

After practicing for many weeks the girls will venture to Annapolis today for their third game of the season.

Although the Blazerettes are slated as the underdogs for this tilt, the girls have high hopes of upsetting Annapolis.

Captained by Betty Gleim, the team will put their hopes of victory in the fine defensive playing

## SPORTS NEWS AND INTERVIEWS

By Paul Taggart

## Personal Prediction of Most Athletic Boy

Through popular vote by the senior class, I predict that Chuck "Gluefoot" Richards will be chosen the Most Athletic Student for 1948-49.

Chuck was born in Washington, D. C. At the age of twelve he moved to Silver Spring, where he attended St. Michael's School.

At St. Michael's, under the expert coaching of the present principal of Bullis, Mr. Grossman, Charles learned the elements of football, basketball and baseball.

### Wins First Award

In the eighth grade Chuck won his first award in basketball.

The trophy given him was the Adam F. Downer Free Throw Trophy. Chuck won this honor by sinking 21 out of 25 foul shots. And at the St. Michael's annual "Father and Son Night," Bob Freeick, (Washington Caps Star) presented him the award.

Gluefoot then journeyed to Montgomery Hills Junior High, where he also excelled in sports.

Chuck then entered Blair in 1947, and as you all know has continued his remarkable sports career. Now I'm not saying Richards is a whizz or outstanding star, but old Gluefoot has always been in there trying. I can also say that he has more spirit and hustle and tries

## Blair Represented On 'All State' Team

Bob Cushman, Ray Luckett, and Ricky Harrison were chosen to the "All State of Maryland Football Team," of 1948.

### Ricky Harrison

Harrison was chosen first string All-State guard because of his aggressive line offensive play and his sensational defense play. Ricky has been the Blazers' number one guard for three years. This, however, is his first All-State placement. Coming from military school, Ricky entered Blair as a sophomore whereupon he immediately rose to be an outstanding lineman and was placed on the first team. Rick weighs 180, when in trim, and towers all of 5 foot 3 inches.

### Ray Luckett

Mr. Luckett, sometimes referred to as Sid Luckett, Jr., was from what I gathered, unanimously elected to the All State Eleven. Ray is a junior, has played two years at halfback, and does all the passing and punting for the Red and White. He hails from S. S. I. (Silver Spring Intermediate) where he was also outstanding in sports. Luckett tops the scale at 155 and stands 6' 3" skyward. If Ray can keep his grades on par level, scholarships will be awaiting him next June. (So they tell me.)

### Bob Cushman

Their third selection, from Blair, for first string berth was Bob Cushman. Bob, however, made a repeat performance; he was chosen last year also as fullback. Weighing 188, standing 5' 8", Bob came from Takoma Junior High School. He played three years varsity ball, in two of which he was outstanding. Others to receive mention were Bill Mess, quarterback, and Bob Theofield, halfback. Both Bill and Bob are seniors.

of Cherrix, Warfield and Walker. The scoring chores will be left up to forwards Gleim, Vickers and MacInnerney.

harder than any other player (that I know of in Blair's history,—and believe me I know Chuck).

### Chuck Comes to Blair

In his Sophomore year Richards made the football squad, played first string J. V. basketball, and was the season's high scorer. In his Junior year Chuck played football, basketball (V), and baseball—all of which he received letters in.

As a senior, so far this year, Charles has played first string "end" on the football team. I am sure you all remember that touchdown pass Chuck caught in the St. John's game, for Blair's first 6 of their 19 points—also his fine defense play in the Gonzaga and Bethesda games.

So far in basketball Chuck has done very well considering that the complete first string team is back from last year. Charles "Captained" the Blair five against De Matha this year. (Blair won by a tremendous score.) Chuck has had, in my estimation, plenty of fight and hustle the entire season.

Chuck not only is athletic, but also does average in his studies.

(These are the reasons why I predict Chuck will be chosen the most outstanding sport of the year and will receive the award.)



## State Offers Insurance Plan

Forms were enclosed with the report cards yesterday telling of a pupil insurance plan for the consideration of students and their parents.

Maryland's State Department of Education is sponsoring the plan as a public service to parents and students of the state. In order for the plan to be adapted, at least 25% of the students of the state must approve it.

### Return All Slips

The pledge slips distributed yesterday are to be returned by students to homeroom teachers completely filled out by parents if they approve adoption of the plan; if they are not interested they should return the blank slip to facilitate the record keeping. The Blair office is required to make weekly reports in the progress over a period of five weeks.

Under the plan, Blair would not assume any responsibility for the insurance except to issue the policy, collect the premiums, and report the accidents.

### Covers All Accidents

The policy would cover every accident in connection with school, including school sponsored trips, except any airplane accident, hernia, and any accident connected with any wartime activity. This policy will pay up to \$250 for any accident and the annual premium is \$3.00.

Rates for part of a year are comparatively higher than the yearly fee. These rates would have to be paid by students adopting the plan during the remainder of this school year.

### No Physical Examination

The insurance company underwriting this plan is the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, one of the oldest companies in the business.

Some of the pertinent factors of this plan are that no physical examination is necessary and that the plan is available to every student attending a Maryland public school.

The plan is also available for the summer school session.

## Tune in Sometime!

Have you noticed a strange looking foursome in Miss Wood's room during lunch? Well, they're Blair's Teentimers, practicing their tactics for their next radio show.

Teentimers is a radio club at WWDC composed of sixteen Washington high schools. Under Nancy Bakke's snapping whip, Lucille Ovendon, Don Markle, and John Linton have joined the Teentimers, representing Blair. Each school puts on talent shows, skits, and enters a debating contest.

The Blazers are still riding high! They tied St. Paul's twice and squelched Bethesda beautifully last Saturday. Nancy, John, and Lucille timed their rebuttals perfectly with Don Markle as captain.

Tune in sometime!

## Civitan Sponsors Contest

A \$600 scholarship is offered as first prize in a citizenship essay contest for seniors, sponsored by the Civitan International.

The essay may be on any subject dealing with good citizenship, and must be from 500-750 words in length. All essays should be typed on white letter-sized paper, with a bibliography at the

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## Driving Course Cuts Accidents

How would you like to have a classroom on wheels? You can if you take the driver training course offered at Blair.

Blair's first mobilized class came into being last year when driving was made a course of study. The first car was a gray Pontiac and was followed by a Chevrolet.

Mr. Maguire, the driving instructor, is very enthusiastic about the benefits of the course and pointed to the safety records being made by students who have taken the course in other towns. He said that the course was too new at Blair to make any records yet, but in other places driver trainees had cut the accident rate in half.

The American Automobile Association sponsors the course, one of many throughout the country, and sets some of the standards for the class.

Textbook work and classroom discussion are part of the course as well as the actual driving. In the classroom, the pupils learn simple maintenance operations, physical make-up of a driver including eyesight and reflex tests, and the principles behind the operation of the automobile. As an example, Mr. Maguire pointed out that the students learned why they had to use the clutch when shifting gears (saves wear and tear on the transmission) rather than just being told that it is necessary.

Mr. Maguire said that the average student needs eight hours of actual driving before he is good enough to drive in traffic, and on the highway in safety. Blair's course provides for those hours as well as twenty to twenty-five hours of seeing others drive.

The fact that the average trainee will get his Maryland driver's license with very little difficulty was proved last year when out of a group of fifty who took the test only one failed to pass it on the first try. The Department of Motor Vehicle examiners say that the driving class students are much better motorists than the average person who does not take such a course.

Naturally, an interesting class of this type provides a few amusing incidents like the time a pupil asked Mr. Maguire why he didn't drive in neutral. "I heard," said the student earnestly, "that it saves gas."

The training car, which is furnished by Williams' Chevrolet, has dual controls which come in very handy at times, according to Mr. Maguire. Once a student stepped on the gas instead of the brake, but the dual controls saved the car from any possible trouble. "We never have a close call," Mr. Maguire declared assuringly.

end, and submitted before April 15.

Judging will be based on thought expressed, interest elicited, organization and composition and English, including punctuation and spelling.



## Forty Students Hear U. N. Talks

Talks on the United Nations were heard by forty Montgomery Blair students, accompanied by Mrs. Alma E. Marshall and Mr. Kennard Rhodes, at Polytechnic Auditorium in Baltimore on February 4 and 5.

The "Results of the Paris Assembly," "The Palestine Question," the Dutch side of the Indonesian problem, accomplishments and main jobs of the Economic and Social Council, and "Britain's Interest in the United Nations" were explained by Mr. Finn Moe, Norwegian delegate to the Security Council; Dr. Herman J. Friedericy, Netherlands delegate to the General Assembly; Dr. James Bastier of the Economic and Social Council, and Mr. T. Cecil Skeffington-Lodge, from the British Parliament.

### Dr. Pullen Speaks

Dr. Thomas G. Pullen, Jr., Superintendent of Maryland Schools, and other speakers discussed the role of the American people in foreign affairs.

"Science in the World Neighborhood" was discussed first by representatives of transportation and scientific groups, then by American and foreign students.

### Inform Public

The general topic "Tell the People the United Nations Story" emphasized ways of getting an informed public.

The meeting was sponsored by the United Nations Association of Maryland.

## Baby Party Huge Success

The Senior Class gathered in the gymnasium for their annual "Baby Party" last Saturday, January 29.

Prizes were awarded to Victor Jungk, Warren Russell, and Dick Nichols for the most original baby-boy costumes.

## Science Club Plans Field Trips

Members of the newly organized Science Club, soon to be affiliated with the Science Clubs of America, are planning their projects for the Washington Science Fair this spring, and for next year's Westinghouse Science Talent Search.

Recently elected officers of the club are Bob Teale, president; Tom Van Vranken, vice president; Mary Lou Hanson, secretary; and Harry Ingram, treasurer.

This club is open to any student interested in any field of science. Meetings are held Friday afternoon in Room 206, at 3:30. Mr. Horn is the sponsor.

## Nineteen Categories Offered in Star Contest

Nineteen categories of written expression characterize the senior-high division of the Evening Star Writing Contest, the final deadline for all entries being February 20.

All winners of the gold achievement stars in the local contest will have a chance to compete in the National Contest, which is sponsored by the Scholastic Magazine. The national winner will be awarded a four-year scholarship by the University of Pittsburgh.

### Open to All

The contest is open to any student in any of the public, parochial, and private senior and junior high schools of the Washington area. The only requirement is that each entry be certified by the English teacher to be the work of the student entering it.

Although, to date, Blair English teachers have not received the pamphlets containing the detailed rules of the contest, supposedly furnished to all teachers of the area, the Star has been notified of the omission, and the material should be here in a day or two.

## Variety Show Scheduled for April 8 and 9

Blair's annual Variety Show will be held earlier than usual this year, coming April 8 and 9.

Miss June Lippy, as dance director, Miss Mary Cross, in charge of the music, with Miss Louise Wood as general chairman, are serving as the committee to select the performers and aid in promoting the show. Miss Cross announced that the turnout this year has been especially large and try-outs will probably continue throughout this week. To make it clear to all new pupils, everyone has a chance to present his act in a try-out although it may not be chosen for the actual event.

### Thirteenth Annual Show

The Variety Show will hold its thirteenth performance this April. The idea started in 1936 with an amateur show, where the audience participated. The next year Miss Wood was in charge and the present form of student entertainment began.

The show has, in the past, had a theme or setting such as a circus, or night club with the acts corresponding with the background. The theme has been chosen for this year but cannot be divulged.

A wide range of performances will be presented, including dance routines, songs (both solos and group sings), piano solos, of course, the boys' ballet.

### Advertising Begun

Each year the library club sells patrons' tickets for seats in the front third of the auditorium; the holders of these tickets are placed on a patrons' list appearing in the souvenir program. This money goes towards the up-keep and buying of new books for the library. A large number of subscribers are expected.

Advertising for the souvenir program, which has become a traditional feature of the event, is being solicited again this year by the combined staffs of *Silverlogue* and *Silver Chips*, working under the direction of Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Moler. Proceeds from the advertisements, over and above program printing costs, go to these publications.

## Press Tournament Held at Damascus

Blair journalists will attend the Montgomery County Scholastic Press Tournament at Damascus High School on April 23, sponsored annually by the Inter-High County Student Council.

The competition will consist of a writing contest and a study clinic. The contest will be composed of news, feature, sports, and editorial writing. Each school participating in the event may enter two contestants in each of the writing categories.

Damascus, host to the gathering, will be in charge of the registration while Richard Montgomery is to furnish the speaker and arrange for the news writing contest. Blair will be in charge of the editorial contest with Bethesda-Chevy Chase arranging for the sports contest and Sherwood sponsoring the feature writing competition. Judges and prizes will be furnished by the Montgomery County Press Association.

Although no school may enter more than eight contestants, other students may attend the study clinic sponsored by Poolesville.



Editor Has "Bee" in Bonnet

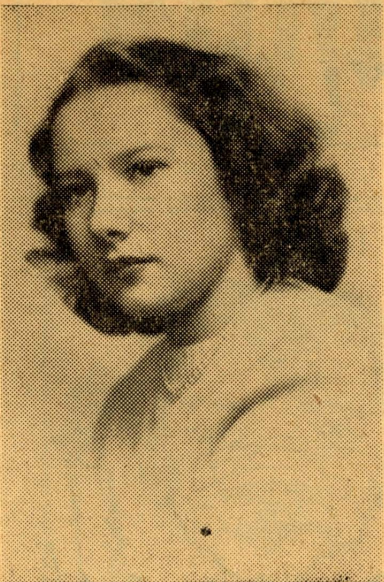
With "Bee" for a nickname and three family surnames bestowed upon her, Miss Brearley Enstone Carroll rates an introduction as the editor-in-chief of the '49 *Silverlog*.

Having been born on May 2, 1931, in Washington, D. C., with lovely brown hair and hazel eyes, Brearly has remained in the Washington-Silver Spring area while she attended East Silver Spring, Silver Spring Intermediate, and Montgomery Hills before entering the sacred halls of Blair.

Here Brearly has been an active member of the *Silverlogue* for three years; this year she is the editor-in-chief and a very mysterious one at that. She is also a participant in the Library Club, a member of Quill and Scroll, the Junior Princess in Bethel No. 18 of Job's Daughters, and a recent addition to the Honor Society.

Brearley is kept partially busy at home with a charming family. Mr. Carroll is a retired commander of the U. S. Coast Guards, and her mother is an English bride of World War I. At this time, her two unmarried brothers are away at college. But alas, the house is far from empty with two large dogs and four fluffy white pups.

Miss Carroll is particularly finicky about foods, enjoys quarreling with Joyce King (they're really good friends), dislikes "people who think they're something they aren't," loves ice cream and milk, likes to go to movies, watch sports, and have fun in chemistry class.



Brearley Carroll

(No offense, Mr. Hamstead). Brearley plans for the nearby future to attend Towson's State Teachers' College and afterwards to teach in an elementary school.

Valentine Mail

An R. F. D., they say,  
Means Rural Free Delivery  
But when the 14th comes, I'm told—  
They send them R. F. K.  
Now, everyone knows that, I'm sure—  
How could you ever miss  
The meaning of the R. F. K.,  
"I'm Ready For a Kiss!"

It Could Happen to Anyone!

Over 30,000 people are killed in automobile accidents every year. More than 100,000 are crippled for life and teen-age drivers caused more horrible accidents than any other population group of the same size!

These accidents *are not necessary*. Young people actually have an advantage over their elders when it comes to alertness and good coordination. For the most part, teen-agers know *how* to drive. They just don't do what they have been taught. They take chances; they drive their cars in poor condition, and teen-agers are especially guilty of "clowning at the wheel." Driving too fast is a factor in one out of every five fatal accidents. Tearing along at twice the speed limit may be exciting, but from the standpoint of social responsibility (and self interest!) it is far from being anything to brag about.

Think of traffic accidents in terms of human loss: heart-broken families, promising careers wrecked, the heavy financial burden of hospital and repair bills. Think of these things and don't say, "It can't happen to me." Those thirty thousand people who were killed each year probably said the same thing.



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Over the Party Line  
'Tis the Season  
To Be Jolly

By Jo Be Moore

Just as exam week disappeared, two other things appeared: snow and sleigh riding.

On Green No. 5 we ran into Joe Moore, Lloyd Kelley, Tom Keller, Bill Foy, B. B. Smith, Phil Hamilton, Ray Luckett, and Margaret Engel, Bill Chapin and Ellie Wood; Joe Frankenburger, Bob Herdfelter, Shirley Hoffman, Shirley Seaton, Peggy Moore, Betty Ward, Pat Shannon, Bertha Gardner, Dot Gardner, Marlita Scott, Janice Patton, Albert Torbeck, Betty Howard and Dick Cline; Harold Fravel, Nick Alberti, Donnie Bell, Bill and Audrey, Buddy Wilson and Bev Alexander, Bob Massey, Walter Hubert, Donald Harris, Bob Eaves, John Davis and yours truly, Monk Stottlemeyer, Tom Weirick, and Margaret Kenyon.

Hunting for an extra lung at the barn dance last Saturday night were Courtney Murphy, Eddie Mighell, Judy Anderson, John Thompson, Liz Cave, Joe Morris, Mary Lou Hansen, Bert Johnson, Alice Warfield and Johnny Wolfe. It's been three years of the ball and chain for Fe Martinez and Frank Stafford. Now on the list is Nancy Claggett and Jack O'Neill.

Congratulations to Nancy Vickers, who won Lansburgh's modeling contest and walked away with the scholarship to South Eastern University. Wow!

Came Sunday and we found Joy Goggin and Lillian Wolf giving their horses (Dot and Flicka) a good workout.

It seems like June in February with the various bridal showers coming off. Lois McCurdy, now Mrs. Robert Rittenbark, was entertained at a miscellaneous wedding shower given by her sister, Mrs. Robert Nelson and Marcia Flickinger. She received many gifts and after opening them, refreshments were served. The well-wishers were Janet Frocke, Nancy Kendrick, Shirley Graham, Joan Smith, Delores McQueen, Ann Runyan, Audrey Sodestrom, Helen Miller, Lois Berry, Marilyn Gesell, Barbara Beall and family friends. Good luck, Lois!

Mary Demas, soon to wed, was given a bridal shower by Pat Frazier. Attending were Mary George, Billy Casper, Rosemary Casper, Joan Hattersley, Anita Payne, Mary Kaiens, Joanne Taylor, Olive White, Martha Cox, Barbara Lochte, Nancy Schlosser, Joan Short, and Joan Steward.

Shirley Thayer was hostess to a successful party a few Saturday's ago. Dancing and watching television were Arlene Howard, Virginia Burdick, Mary Lou Clark, Lois Payne, Melvin Simons, Charlie Curtis, Billy Wright, Tommy Foster, Bobby Bergmann, Johnny

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Meeting

By Julia Collins Ardayne

Will you meet me at the time  
When song sinks into silence,  
and the rain,  
Soft and gray as wings of moths,  
Throbs upon the pane?  
Though your step fall oh, so softly,  
I shall feel you near.  
Though your voice be but a  
memory,  
I shall hear.

(Reprinted from the February issue of *Ladies Home Journal*.)

Cupid Practices His Archery

History has it that there is no connection between St. Valentine, the martyr, and St. Valentine's Day as it is celebrated in our modern civilization. Nevertheless, every year, on the fourteenth of February, candy, cards, and flowers, all bespeak the love and affection felt for one individual toward another.

Scientific investigation discloses that the cause of all tender emotion is a chubby, scantily-clad little rascal named Cupid who, especially on St. Valentine's Day, carried with him a sling of arrows and a curved bow. The arrows are tipped with a love potion of a marvelous potency, and when thus armed, Cupid invariably sets out in quest of victims for his archery.

Upon locating a likely-looking boy and girl he shoots two arrows in rapid succession into their hearts. The reaction of the potion is instantaneous.

Results of his marksmanship may be observed in a pair of infatuated adolescents walking together hand-in-hand.

They stare rapturously into each other's glassy eyes, and their faces exhibit a strange, wonderfully sublime expression. When they converse, which is seldom, they do so in low tones, punctuated by soft sighs. Undoubtedly they are oblivious to the world about them, and upon closer inspection it will be seen that they are walking in air, several inches off the ground.

Such is this thing called love!

Women-Fickle?

"Never! Never! Never!"

"But why won't you, Susie Q?"

"I'll never go out with another boy as long as I live!"

"That's silly—why not?"

"Because they're all no good, two-timing, triple-crossing schlimiels."

"That ain't the way I heard it."

"And inconsiderate, messy, lying, beastly scrounges."

"Look, Susie Q, will you please tell me the score, what brought this on? Usually you're right up there with the rest of us, but now you're playing 'Simon of Athens,' what's up?"

"Oh! I don't want to talk about it! But all I can says is (breaks down and sobs last few words hysterically) I hate, I absolutely detest men! Blubber, Blubber, and more Blubber."

"I think I've heard that before, Susie Q, but what's the reason this time?"

"Sob! Sob! Drip! etc. Marmaduke left me yesterday! He took back his United Plumber's and Electrician's Union ring last night! Gasp! Gasp! Gasp! Oh! I hate him, and all boys! Gulp! Sob!"

"Oh! I'm so sorry to hear that, but after all, he's only another boy, and there's lot's more spineless jelly fishes in the sea, so cheer up. You'll recover!"

"No I won't! I won't! I won't! No never!"

Ding—a—ling—a—ling (telephone rings). Susie Q picks it up and says mournfully—

"Hello! Who is this speaking? . . . Oh, hello Johnny! How are you? (whispered in a dreamy voice) . . . I'm glad you're feeling well. . . . Noooo, I'm not doing anything Saturday Nite! . . . Johnny, I'd love to go with you to the Valentine Dance! . . . Yes Johnny. . . Uh-huh . . . Bye!" (last words barely audible). Turns to friends, starry-eyed and sighs, "Aren't boys simply grand, dreamy, divine and OOOHH!"

Chips Financial Status

Sources of Income	
Money received from share of Activity Tickets .....	\$ 1.98
Hush money from staff .....	2,994.70
Hush money from faculty .....	.04
Sale of Charles Brailer's bicycle .....	.79
Rental of Sylvia to Maryland News .....	.09
Telephone ad payments .....	.96
Sale of David Kreh's fur mittens .....	4,000.00
Sale of Herbie's "Woodmoor Cleaners" uniform .....	.82
Total .....	\$15,000.00
Expenditures	
One bicycle for Charles Brailer .....	\$ 35.00
Christmas present for Mrs. Moler .....	.08
Afternoon snacks for staff in September .....	106.92
Expenses for Editorial Staff .....	133.00
Bail for Editorial Staff .....	1,000.00
One date—Bob Williams .....	.13
Gone with the wind .....	8,000.00
Afternoon snacks for October .....	200.00
2,500 reams of paper .....	975.00
One typewriter .....	1.87
Typewriter ribbons .....	100.02
One date—Bob Williams .....	.13
Tires for Charles Brailer's bicycle .....	50.00
One date—Mr. Maguire .....	.06
New pencil for Joyce Darby .....	.05
One date—Bob Williams, 11/6/48 .....	84.06
Afternoon snacks for November and December .....	305.93
One bicarbonate of soda—Bob Williams, 11/7/48 .....	.13
Cost of printing, Mailing, etc., of 4 issues of Silver Chips .....	5.67
Total .....	\$15,000.00
(Editor's note: Oh, yeah?)	



## Two Grade Lists Honor Many

When reports came out yesterday, there were two lists of grades, those of the past six weeks and the semester averages.

Tenth graders making honors for the third six weeks were Ann Erlanson, Reanne Hemingway, Joe Mendum, Courtenay Murphy, Jean Rembert, Joyce Wareing, Ann Weeks, Marilyn Leonhardt, Billie Jess, Oswald Castro, Harold Hanson, Mason Wallace, Polly Alexander, Shirley Benner, Betty Fehr, Margie Hardee, Clara Hoffman, Theresa Junghans, Louise Minick, Ruth Benson, Barbara Brewton, Lula Hogan, Connie LeRoy, Danny Levine, Audrey Ricketts, Alice Warfield, Mary McCaslin, William Randall, Anne Bengel, Patsy Bomgardner, Blair Mullican, Bea Shaw, Nancy Stang, Frank Collier, Carol Funk, Charlene Kreh, Bill McNaughton, Marie Binot, Carlton Clark, Donald Gray, Katherine MacDonald, Howard Metcalf, Ruthmary Ragsdale, and Judith White.

### Seniors Rate Third Term

Those in the eleventh grade were Sally Cameron, Nancy Kendrick, Lawrence Collison, Bob Forward, Don Lindsey, Richard Petzold, Jackie Steele, Barbara Beall, Sergene Benson, Brian Crowley, Joyce Duvall, Nick Lee, Pat Parkman, Joanne Wyatt, Betty Jean Collier, Clark Stout, Major Williams, Ann Williams, Patti Gary, Nina Bailey, John Edwards, David Dower, Judy Anderson, Ruth Bauman, and Mary Ann Kifer.

Seniors on the list were Joyce Atkinson, Pat Beall, Genny Coe, Ruth Cramer, Virginia Keller, Agnes Minick, Gloria Raush, Paul Scully, Hilda Swartz, Regina Thomas, Carol Jean Turner, Dorcas McLaughlin, Dorothy Bliss, Betty Hicks, Gay DeNike, Vic Jungk, Ralf Peacker, Maclin Roby, Muriel Sandifer, Bob Teale, Joan Steward, Pat White, Bertha Ann Shapley, Lucille Ovenden, Peggy Davis, Joyce Darby, Sher Lee Cheek, Stephen Mixsell, George Candish, Joe Miller, Dick Walker, Carol Cook, Betty McInnerney, Dorcas McLaughlin, Dorothy Bliss, Betty Hicks, Joan Haney, Marilyn Archer, Priscilla Ridge, Betty Fox, Nancy Bakke, Pat Wheeler, Ann Swayzee, Joan Wright, Anita Haferman, Joan Hedgecock, Jessie Pickett, John Linton, Pat Leef, Lou Ann Leighton, John Campbell, and Pat Smith.

### Many Excel for Semester

When marks were averaged for semester grades those making the honor list in the tenth grade were Marie Binot, Carlton Clarke, Donald Gray, Katherine MacDonald, Howard Metcalf, Ruthmary Ragsdale, Judith White, Ann Erlanson, Reanne Hemingway, Joe Mendum, Courtney Murphy, Jean Rembert, Joyce Wareing, Ann Weeks, Marilyn Leonhardt, Billie Jess, Myra Coleman, Oswald Castro, Harold Hanson, Manson Wallace, Polly Alexander, Shirley Benner, Betty Fehr, Margie Hardee, Clara Hoffman, Theresa Junghans, Louise Minick, Ileta Booke, Ruth Benson, Lula Hogan, Connie LeRoy, Danny Levine, Barbara McBride, Audrey Ricketts, Alice Warfield, Patsy Bomgardner, Blair Mullican, Dorothy Walter, Bea Shaw, Nancy Stang, Frank Collier, Carol Funk, Charlene Kreh, Bill McNaughton, Joan Daley, Peggy Holt, Jean Lohr, Walter Petzold, and Jane Richmond.

Those juniors on the honor roll are Sally Cameron, Nancy Kendrick, Joyce Duvall, Lawrence

## St. Valentine Day Brings Weddings; Engagements

Valentine's Day brings forth thoughts of love and romance, and right in the spotlight is Blair's first Honor Society president, Martha Barber '45, who recently announced her engagement to De Witt Montgomery of Springfield, Illinois. Martha has attended Oberlin College and is now a senior at Bryn Mawr.

A spring wedding is forecast for Phoebe Overdorff '48, and Jimmy Harris of Laurel, Maryland. Phoebe is now employed in the proof department of the American Security and Trust Company. Mr. Harris, who served in the Pacific with the Sixth Marine Division, is employed by PEPCO.

### Lucia Ford Among Engaged

Another engaged alumna is Lucia Ford, a junior at Maryland University and a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority. Her future husband is Leonard Strott, a graduate junior at University of Maryland, where he is a member of Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

Recently married were Jean Baxter and Ralph Peltcher. After graduating from Blair, Ralph attended Colorado State College of Education and served with the Eighth Army Air Force. He is now attending Maryland University.

### Marguerite Martinelli Studies Voice

Marguerite Martinelli, '46, a scholarship student, recently soloed on a four-day music tour with three fellow classmates of Florida Southern College. Marguerite is now in her second year of voice and piano studying at Lakeland School.

Also in the field of music, Dick Oberlin has been accepted for membership in the Glee Club of Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

Jean Robertson, '48, has resigned from her former position in order to enter the February term of Maryland University's Business and Public Administration College.

### Olie Brockdorf in D. C.

Olie Brockdorf, '47, has been permanently stationed in Washington, D. C., for the remainder of his Naval enlistment.

Now stationed in Texas with the Army Air Force is Charlie Snyder, '48.

A quick glance through Silver Spring finds Ken Baliles employed at Wright's Jewelry Store, Frank Gossman at the Silver Spring Bank, Bob Davis, '46, at the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and Lillie Fisher at Gifford's Ice Cream store.

Collison, Joyce Kidwell, John Davis, Patty Levandoski, Bob Forward, Jackie Steele, Barbara Beall, Sergene Benson, Brian Crowley, Nick Lee, Pat Parkman, Peter Van Royen, Joanne Wyatt, Betty Jean Collier, Clarke Stout, Major Williams, Ann Williams, Patti Gary, John Edwards, John Eagleton, David Power, Judy Anderson, Ruth Bauman and Mary Ann Kifer.

### List Incomplete

Seniors making honors were Joyce Atkinson, Pat Beall, Genny Coe, Ruth Cramer, Robert Jones, Virginia Keller, Don Markle, Agnes Minick, Paul Scully, Hilda Swartz, Regina Thomas, Carol Jean Turner, John Brookbank, Gay DeNike, Vic Jungk, Ralf Peucker, Maclin Roby, Muriel Sandifer, Bob Teale, Joan Steward, Pat White, Bertha Ann Shapley, Shir-

## New Faces at Blair For 2nd Semester

Two teachers, the office secretary, and the superintendent of buildings and grounds are new at Blair this semester.

Mr. J. H. Crawford, formerly assistant supervisor of school property for the Board of Education, replaced Mr. Walter Davis as Blair's head custodian on January 9. Mr. Davis is now the assistant superintendent of buildings and grounds.

Mr. John Walker is replacing Mrs. Josephine Jansons, who is on leave of absence from the commercial department. He has taken over Mrs. Janson's Elementary Business class and homeroom 10-4 and is also teaching Business Law.

Mr. Walker, a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, spent two and a half years at Penn State, and another year and a half at Wilson Teachers' College in Washington, D. C., from which he recently graduated. He taught typing and accounting in the Army.

Replacing Mrs. Hazel Collins is Mrs. Helen Frances Powell, new typing and office practice teacher. Mrs. Powell has taught in the public high schools of San Antonio, Texas, and last year taught at a business college in Galveston.

Mrs. Louise Duey, former commercial teacher in the County, has been appointed to the position of office secretary. Having resigned from teaching several years ago because of ill health, Mrs. Duey has now recovered sufficiently to undertake a clerical schedule.

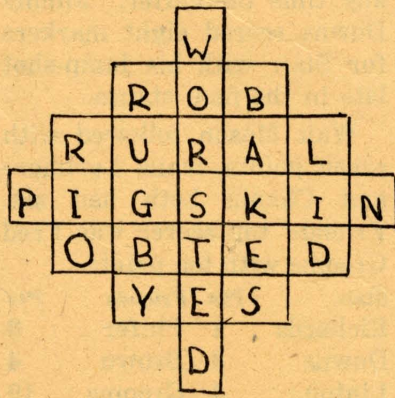
## 'Tis Jolly

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Collins, and Carl White Sellinger.

The Splash Party was a great success. Joining in the fun we saw Pat Thompson, Buddy Dewhirst, Sue Mitchell, Jimmy Downs, Carolyn Wittaur, Frank Simonds, Danny Lyons, Betty Lu Sampson, Ed Chapin, Aimee Lou Johannes, Bobby Theofield, Sylvia Reed, Johnny Theofield, Bett Gill, Ed Hamilton, Winnie Winn, Bill Foy, Bill Chapin, Janice Patton, Bill Mess, Eileen Collins, Gay DeNike, Pete Bell, Tommy Troxler, Shirley Graham, Bill Solomon, Helen Silly, Kenny Humphrey, Pat Cochran, Bob Lang, Nancy Vickers, Dot Richards, Buster Frazer, Nancy Simpson, John Davis, Yours Truly, Jack Dorsey, Pris Ridge, George Kettle, Jeanne Heffner, June Mosbey, Joe Brown, Bob Pease, and Phyllis Harrison.

(Answers to puzzle on page four)



ley Robbins, Lucille Ovenden, June Mosby, Joan Martin, Peggy Davis, Joyce Darby, Sher Lee Cheek, Stephen Mixsell, George Candish, Joe Miller, Keith Donnellan, Dick Walker, Carol Cook, Betty McInnerney, Ronnie Troxler, Dorothy Bliss, Betty Hicks, John Linton, Pat Leef, Lou Ann Leighton, John Campbell, and Pat Smith.

This list is incomplete due to the failure of homeroom teachers to turn in names on time.

## Going Steady, Yes, No, or Maybe So

Going steady puzzles many people. Just what does it mean?

Strictly speaking it means this: you date just one boy, you don't flirt with anyone but *the* man, and only one boy calls every night. The big event is usually sealed with the exchange of rings, pins, gold charms, etc. These are tags that say: Keep off — private property.

How serious is going steady? Generally speaking it has become quite a casual thing. A lot of people go steady about four times a year, at least! Certainly this is nothing to worry about!

Should high school boys and girls go steady? Ah! There is the jackpot question! Most magazine articles advise against it, saying, "Why devote the best years of your life to one guy!" The adults who write these articles are inclined to take going steady seriously. Very few couples go together through all four years of high school and stick strictly to the rules especially as far as flirting goes.

The personality make-up of the individual is vital to the success or failure of going steady. Are you the kind who loves familiar and secure things? Then going steady may work with you. Or do you crave good times with different fellows? Do you like the suspense and doubt of the "will he, won't he" and "does he, doesn't he," type? Then, sister, going steady is not for you!

There is a special feeling about going steady for the first time with a guy you are crazy about. It is a wonderful "heaven-on-earth" feeling. It will be one of your most treasured memories.

Another big problem attached to going steady is the end of it all.

So you're just plain tired of him or maybe it's just that you've just met someone new? How to call it quits—that's the problem! There are several techniques. First, you can casually tell him you think it's time to break it off "but can't we still be friends?"

Or you can "surprise" him BY DATING SOMEONE ELSE (this is usually called "cheating on the guy"). This is not recommended if you want to stay on friendly terms with him. And as a final method, if you are really desperate, you can pick a fight with him or be impossible to get along with if you don't care whether you ever see him again.

It's awful isn't it? You feel like your whole world has ended. Nothing interests you anymore, not even food. He "done you wrong." You're strictly a shade on the blue side. Well, my friend, you had better snap out of it. If he's dated someone else out of a clear blue sky, what should you do? The most important thing is, whether or not to let him know how you feel and that you want him back, terribly. This depends on the boy. With the majority of boys this isn't the best idea. The only alternative is to let your pride lead you. There are other boys in the world, nice ones, too. Date them and before long, much to your surprise, you'll find yourself having a good time.

Now that you know the score, the rest is up to you. If you still think that going steady is a wonderful idea, go to it.

## Club Sponsors Contest

"How Advertising Affects Our Lives" is the subject in a national essay contest now open to high school students in the metropolitan Washington, and sponsored by the Advertising Club, of D. C.

The essay, which may not exceed 1000 words in length, will be judged on originality of thought, accuracy of information, clarity of expression, and imagination in treatment of subject. Essays must be submitted by March 14.

Further information and entry blanks may be obtained from Miss Schwartz, your English teacher, or your history teacher.



## The surgeon was waiting

Some telephone calls concern "the little things." Others are matters of life and death. With telephone people, *every* call is important. "Getting the message through" is a vital responsibility; sometimes, it is a challenge. This letter from a telephone customer tells of such a case:

"My wife was stricken down and without the help of very diligent and faithful operators, I am sure she would have died. The crisis came at 10 o'clock one night. When I contacted my doctor by telephone, he advised us to get in touch with the surgeon who would have to operate. The surgeon was at a convention in another city but, through the continuous effort of the operator, he was reached. When we arrived at the hospital, he was waiting for us."

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Telephone work is *important* work. It calls for carefully selected, well-trained, competent men and women. The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City.



# Blair Quint Nips Unbeaten B-CC

## Blair Wins First 28-27

The Blair basketball team over night stole the limelight as they pulled two of the biggest upsets in high school basketball.

The twice defeated Blair team clipped the Barons from their undefeated pedestal in one of the most outstanding games of the week. Chuck Richards was the hero as he sank the winning basket just 13 seconds before the final gong. Both Bethesda as well as Blair played hard fighting ball but the "Red and White" fought just a little bit harder as they trailed at the half 15-14.

The third period found Creme's team sinking ten points to their opponents' six.

Then in the last quarter as the game, to all appearances was headed for over time, substitute Roddy Ware fouled Chuck Richards who proceeded to the foul line where he sank the victory toss.

With five seconds of play left a student, in the stands, set off a firecracker and the teams began to leave the floor. However, the two teams were called back and the remaining seconds were played without either team scoring.

Blair	Pts	Bethesda	Pts
Larimore	6	Genau	16
Richards	3	Towne	4
Luckett	4	Gaundolo	5
Linton	4	Young	0
Chapin	7	Beckwith	1
Schief	2	Ware	0
Mason	2	Schneider	1
	28		27

## Ideal Valentine

For Girls	
Eyes like	Dan Duff
Hair like	George Candish
Laughs like	Vic Jungk
Physique like	Walt Chamblin
Dances like	Warren Russell
Personality like	Bob Alexander
Voice like	Roland Jones
Bashful like	Bobby Theofield
Tall like	Ed Chapin
Brain like	Keith Donnellan

## B Town Team Wins 46-31

Returning to the Ritchie Coliseum February 4 the Blazers were met with an entirely different ball club.

The first game the Barons had conserved their strength and played more of a slow, sure game.

This enabled Blair to capitalize on the backboards and defense play. But the second game found the Barons playing their usual fast-moving, close-guarding and long-passing game. Fred Genau led the Barons with 21 points and his side kick, Vic Guandolo, sparkled in his outstanding floor play.

Blair, after dropping six quick points behind in the first quarter, rallied as reliable Ed Chapin swished three quick left-handed set shots to pull the Blazers back into the game. At half time the score was 24-20 in favor of the Barons. Blair battled bravely but fell apart in the final stanza, thus giving the Barons an easy ending and also a score that read 47-31.

Blair	Pts	Bethesda	Pts
Luckett	8	Genau	21
Linton	8	Young	0
Chapin	6	Gaundolo	5
Parsons	6	Towne	8
Schief	0	Beckwith	6
Larimore	0	Schneider	7
Richards	0		—
Mason	2		47
	31		

Walks like ——— Don Lashley  
Sharp like ——— Hugh McLaughlin  
Dresses like ——— Johnny Ford

For Boys	
Eyes like	Joan Wright
Hair like	Joan Carl
Shy like	Joanne Taylor
Figure like	Barbara MacCollum
Dresses like	Gay DeNike
Personality like	Joan Hedgecock
Voice like	Nancy Vickers
Petite like	Priscilla Varney
Brain like	Peggy Davis
Walks like	Nancy Simpson
Sweet like	Ann Swayzee
Complexion like	Pat Steele
Laughs like	Babs Strong

## Blair 47, Bladensburg 35

Led by the sharp shooting of John Linton, Bill Larimore, and Ray Luckett, the Blazers were able to chalk up their thirteenth game, 47-35, on the losers' court.

It was Blair's fourth straight after falling to Gonzaga a month ago. Blair led from the tip-off to the final gun, never being in any serious danger at any time. Johnny Linton was top scorer with 17 points, Ray Luckett was next with 12 points.

**Blair 72, Fairfax 33**

The Blazers continued on their winning streak, pounding Fairfax, 72-33, at Fairfax. John Linton and Walt Mason led the Blazer attack with sixteen and eleven points respectively.

**Wootten Stars**

Morgan Wootten also excelled, not in the scoring column, but in his outstanding floor play and passing. He set up numerous baskets and passed-up many more so that his team mates might have the honor. Bob Miller was the star for Fairfax, tallying 22 points.

Blair	Pts	Blad'sburg	Pts
Larimore	9	Bickerton	2
Richards	0	Hess	1
Downs	4	Mould	5
Luckett	12	Cuppert	4
Linton	17	Foreman	6
Chapin	2	Lloyd	6
Schief	3	Crawford	3
	—	Hanson	7
	47		35

Blair	Pts	Fairfax	Pts
Larimore	3	Miller	22
Richards	5	Fentress	1
Downs	4	Caudle	4
Luckett	3	Spilman	4
Linton	16	Hicks	2
Tompkins	2		—
Chapin	15		33
Watlington	2		
Schief	3		
Wootten	4		
Mason	11		
Parsons	4		
	72		

## Blair 51, Friends 24

The Blazers defeated Sidwell Friends 51-24, here on the winners' court. Led by Ray Luckett's 12 points, the Blair men took an early lead in the first quarter, and never lost their ten-point lead at any time thereafter. Jimmy Downs scored eight markers for Blair with his jump-shot late in the final stanza.

Walt Mason followed with seven points, while Larimore and Chapin both had six. Friends' top scorer was Fred Groome with ten points.

Blair	Pts	Friends	Pts
Richards	1	Phifer	3
Downs	8	Brown	4
Linton	4	Groome	10
Chapin	6	Mathews	2
Larimore	6	Micolun	3
Mason	7	Wilson	2
Luckett	12	Welsch	0
Schief	4	Mayer	0
Williams	2	Uhl	0

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## Girls Win Second

The girls have fallen hard to their opponents in the last five games but came through with a victory over Fairfax.

The Blazerettes led the Fairfax girls throughout the game on January 18, and came up with a victorious score of 31-13.

Previous to the game the girls traveled to Annapolis to lose out in the final period, 28-20. This was one of the toughest games of the season, in which the score shifted continually during the game, with Blair leading 13-12, at the half.

On January 21, the girls tangled with Hyattsville and fell 17-16, to a fast, hard-fighting team.

Bladensburg played host to Blair on January 25 and handed them a loss of 28-23.

The Richard Montgomery game, played Tuesday, February 1, was marked up another loss for the Blazerettes with a score of 31-24. This has been the second meeting of the two schools for this season. The first game was also lost when Blair could not overtake Rockville's one-point margin.

## How Do You Pull With the Team?

It's all very well to have courage and skill,  
And it's fine to be counted a star;  
But the single deed with its touch of thrill  
Doesn't tell us the man you are.  
For there's no lone hand in the game we play;  
We must work on a bigger scheme,  
And the thing that counts in the world today  
Is how do you pull with the team?

## Sports News and Interviews

### by Paul Taggart Rivals To Meet Again

Well, we won the first, 28-27; but lost the second 31-47, which only proves one thing, there should be a third. Whether there will be a third game between Bethesda and Blair remains to be seen, but I kind of hope we will tangle again, very soon.

Some say when two teams tie, a play-off should occur. Still others are hoping the two (Blair-Bethesda) will meet in the Star tournament this year. I predict we should through all fairness and will; also I predict if we do tangle again the outcome will read "Timber" for the Pine Tree boys.

The first game that was played this year between the two teams found Blair surprising all with fine defense play. Their offense play was good, but Bethesda was also outstanding in the defense department that night. Therefore the game could have gone either way at any time. (Luckily) it fell to Blair, when Chuck Richards sank a free throw with but 13 seconds remaining to play.

Chuck is living up to my prediction (as most athletic boy for this year.)

### Style of Play Changed

The second game found two entirely different teams take the floor. In the first game both teams were slow with Bethesda leading the way. This second game found Bethesda also leading the way

## Blair Blazers Nip St. Johns Cadets 42-40

Led by Bill Schief's 12 points and John Linton's last-second lay-up, the Blair Blazers tripped the St. Johns Cadets 42-40 here at the Blair Gym last January 25.

The Cadets from St. Johns took an early lead in the first quarter and, led by Bill Daly, they took an early nine point lead. By half time St. John's was eleven points ahead. Early in the third quarter they were fifteen points ahead of the Blairmen, but refusing to give up, the Red and White put on a sensational comeback in the fourth quarter.

Larimore and Schief led the attack, closely followed by Ed. Chapin and Ray Luckett. Then with but seconds remaining John Linton made a lay-up as the gun sounded. The question was argued but it was allowed, and Blair had won its eleventh game in thirteen starts.

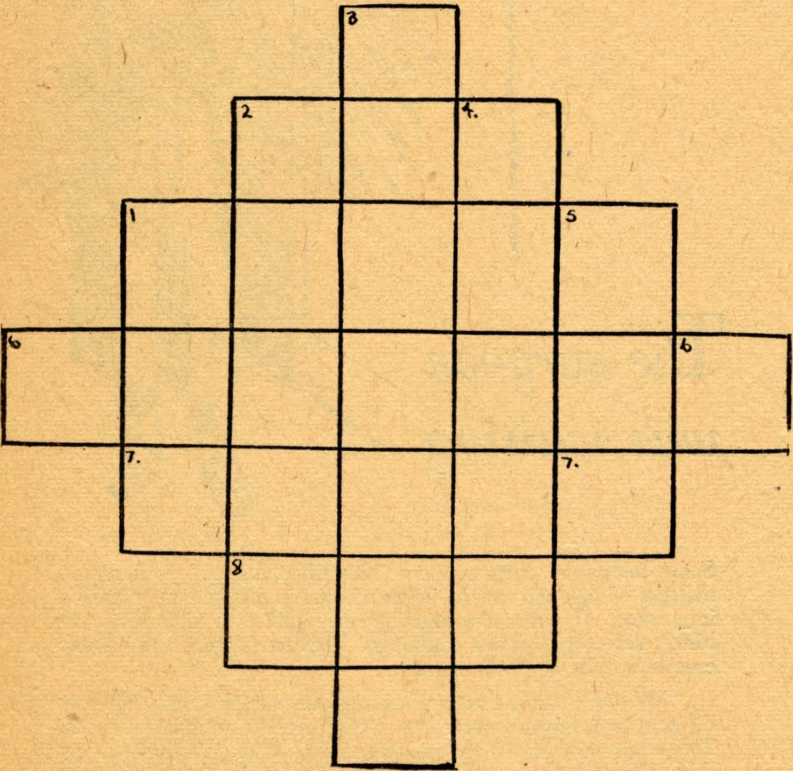
St. Johns	Pts	Blair	Pts
Doly	6	Larimore	11
M'tingby	10	Richards	0
McMahon	3	Parsons	0
M'D'ald	13	Chapin	5
Vauman	0	Luckett	8
Kokes	4	Linton	6
McL'don	4	Schief	12
	40		42

## Council Sponsors Dance

The combined students councils of the Montgomery County Schools are sponsoring a dance at the Richard Montgomery High School on Saturday evening, March 5, from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m.

During the intermission each school will present a five-minute entertainment.

The orchestra has not yet been obtained. Tickets are \$1.20 stag or drag and will be on sale soon.



- Across

  1. Pertaining to the country
  2. Steal
  6. A football
  7. Abbreviation of Our Basketball Team, Ever Deadly
  8. Affirmative
- Down

  1. Capital of Brazil
  2. Game originated in England
  3. Defeated in a contest
  4. Cooks
  5. Top

(See answers on page three)

## Support Your Team



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## Novelty Acts Show Variety

April 8 and 9 will mark the dates of the thirteenth annual Variety Show, which promises to be a brilliant performance.

Under the direction of Miss June Lippy as dance director, Miss Mary Cross as director of Music, and Miss May Louise Wood as general chairman the acts have been chosen after an especially large turn-out.

Many novelty acts are included in the show along with piano, instrumental, and voice solos, group singing, dance routines, and the unforgettable "Boy's Ballet."

### Show Began In '36

In the past each show has had a theme or setting, such as a circus or night club, with the act corresponding with the background. The theme has been chosen this year but cannot be divulged.

The original Variety Show dates back to an amateur night in 1936, when the performers were taken from the audience. The next year the present form of entertainment began with Miss Wood as chairman.

### Patrons' Tickets on Sale

The Library Club will continue its policy of selling patron's tickets, which entitle the holder to the reserved seats in the front. The patrons' names appear on a list placed on each chair at the performances. This money goes towards the upkeep of the library and the purchase of new books.

Advertising for the souvenir program has been solicited by the staffs of Silverlogue and Silver Chips under the direction of Mrs. Alma Marshall and Mrs. Lucille Moler.

## A. F. A. Sponsors Essay Contest

"How Advertising Affects Our Lives" is the subject of a national essay contest sponsored by the Advertising Federation of America.

Sponsored locally by the Advertising Club of Washington and the Women's Advertising Club of Washington, the contest started on February 1 and will close on March 14.

### Texas Trip First Prize

First prize in the nation-wide category is an all-expense trip to the Advertising Federation's annual convention in Houston, Texas, from May 29 to June 1. There the winner will receive an award of \$500. Second and third prizes in the national contest are \$200 and \$100, respectively.

Local first prize will be \$100; second prize \$50; third prize \$25; fourth prize \$15; and fifth prize \$10.

A letter from the National Essay Contest committee says in part, "What the Committee wants is originality of thought, accuracy of information, clarity of expression and imagination in treatment of the subject. It is on these points that your Essay will be judged."

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## Letters Presented In Assembly

Monograms and athletic letters were awarded to fifty-one students in the Awards Assembly held on Thursday, February 10.

Monograms were presented to those students who had earned 1,000 or more points by taking part in school service activities and achieving scholastic averages. Receiving their awards in the form of an Old English "B", were Jimmy Foster, Joan Hover, Nancy Kendrick, Percy Goody, Joe Miller, Roland Jones, Sid Butler, Bertha Ann Shapley, Joyce Darby, Bill Larimore, Bob Theofield, Sylvia Reed, Gay DeNike, Jessie Pickett, Betty Gleim, Dick Walker, Anita Hafermann, Frank Simons, Joan Hattersley, Jeanne Heffner, Joanne Taylor, Joyce Duvall, Genevieve Coe, John Brookbank, Eileen Collins, Lee Koetzle, Robert Merrick, and Brearley Carroll.

### Sports Letters Awarded

Susie Mitchell and Evelyn Bean received their girls' athletic letters while Vivian Cherrix and Betty Gleim were awarded their first stars to be added to their letters received last year.

Ricky Harrison and Bill Mess were presented their stars on their football letters. First stars were awarded to Chuck Richards, Bob Thompson, Bob Theofield, Bob Cushman, Ray Luckett, John Perkins, and John Ford. Letters were given to Eddie Robins, Walt Chamblin, John Davis, Bill Larimore, Jimmy Downs, Vic Jungk, Harry Ingram, Dick Fene, Eddie Argerake, Bill Chapin, and Bill Foy. Receiving the manager award was Tom Ridgeway.

## G. W. U. Offers College Boards

College board entrance examinations are being held this spring, April 9, at George Washington University.

Although a preliminary list has been made, Miss Schwartz does not know how many students will be taking the test this year, for which both juniors and seniors are eligible.

### Submit Application Soon

Those taking the examinations April 9, must have their applications into the board by March 19. The list below gives the dates of future tests:

Test given	Applications due
April 9	March 19
June 4	May 14
August 24	August 3

### Md. Requires None

Schools in the Washington-Maryland area that require entrance examinations are Hood College, Georgetown in the Liberal Arts department, and Catholic University in some fields. Among the colleges that do not require the tests are the University of Maryland, Western Maryland, George Washington, Washington College, Montgomery Junior College, and American University.

## Am. U. Plays Host To H. S. Reporters

"An Afternoon for Journalists," sponsored by the American University, was held at the National Press Club, Saturday, February 26, and was attended by Lynn Fraser, Charles Brailer, and Mrs. Lucille Moler, faculty advisor of Silver Chips.

After being welcomed by Dr. Paul F. Douglass, president of American University, the nearly 200 students and faculty advisors present heard a symposium on "Covering the News in Washington."

### Top Newsmen Talk

The members of the symposium panel were Kenneth Crawford, assistant chief of Newsweek; Luther Huston, manager of the Washington Bureau, New York Times; Richard Harkness, news analyst of N. B. C.; Merriman Smith, White House correspondent for the United Press; and James R. Wiggins, managing editor of the Washington Post.

Mr. Crawford pointed out that news magazines hire few beginners; instead they take experienced journalists.

In an open forum after the panel discussion Mr. Harkness was asked if there was any censorship in radio. Mr. Harkness asserted that no restraint is placed upon news commentators since their reliability and integrity are verified before they are hired. He also said that, although a radio reporter may try to eliminate editorialism, he edits the news the instant he chooses the items he will report on his program.

### Two High School Editors

Mr. Wiggins and Mr. Smith were high school journalists. Mr. Wiggins was the editor of The Echo, his high school paper, and Mr. Smith, who now takes "bird walks" with President Truman, once wrote an editorial attacking the rickety stairs in his school and was promptly asked to leave school, but he added that a friend of the family had him re-instated.

After the forum, a motion picture, "Middle Millions," was shown through the courtesy of The New York Daily News.

## "Get Acquainted" Night Sponsored by Boosters

A "get-acquainted" concert, sponsored by the Blair Band Boosters Club, was given Monday, February 21, in the Blair gym. The object of the program was to better acquaint the public with the Blair Band and Majorettes.

The band performed marches, overtures, and a variety of other pieces. Mr. Harrison T. Meserole, band director, conducted the Blair instrumental group. In addition Dorcas McLaughlin, concert mistress and Gordon North, assistant concert master, each conducted one number.

The majorettes were represented by Judy Thompson and Tap Hubbel, who did specialty dances.



## Plays Highlight Assembly Program

Two one-act plays, a mystery and a comedy, will be presented at assembly, Tuesday, March 15, in the Blair gym.

Rehearsals on these productions were started by Mr. Harrison Meserole's second period public speaking class soon after Christmas. The mystery is entitled "The Monkey's Paw" and the comedy, "The Man in the Bowler Hat."

### Casts Are Named

The cast of the "Monkey's Paw" is as follows: Mr. White (David Feldman), Mrs. White (Joyce King), the son (Roland Jones), Sargeant Major (Danny Lyons), and the messenger (Ronnie Spanberg).

The actors of the comedy, "The Man in the Bowler Hat," are the man (Joe Roberts), the hero (Gordon North), heroine (Joan Wright), John (George Candish), Mary (Anne Swayzee), chief villain (Chuck Richards), and the bad man (Ricky Harrison).

Alternate casts, producers, prompter, property and sound effects men also did much to make these a success.

### Tragicoms Present Play

Another one act play was presented at a Blair P. T. A. meeting by the Dramatic Club, otherwise known as the "Tragicoms," on February 18.

This comedy, entitled "The Lost Elevator," was directed by Miss Mary Silvey and Mr. Carl Bell. The cast included Nick Lee, Bernard Shannon, Bill Stimpson, Keith Donnellan, Pat Cooney, Winnie Winn, Charlotte McHorney, Betty Smythe, Hilda Swartz, Bea Shaw, Jean Ann Edwards, Joan Evans, and her dog "Daisy."

## Seniors Hear Dean Price

Dean Price, president of Montgomery Junior College, will talk to the senior class at 1:45 on Friday in the second assembly of the week.

At an assembly today, General Motors presented a stage demonstration of miracles of science entitled "Previews of Progress."

This "dress rehearsal of the future" showed such things as the mercury vapor lamp; a tiny lamp smaller than a cigarette that gives a light one fifth as brilliant as sunlight; an egg fried on a stove covered with a newspaper.

## "Chips" Staff Visit N. Y. C.

Seven members of the Silver Chips staff and the adviser, Mrs. Moler, will leave early tomorrow morning for the three-day Columbia Scholastic Press Association Convention in New York City.

The delegates, Joyce Darby, Joan Hattersly, Bette Gill, Pat Parkman, Pat Steele, Ralph Dewhirst, and Bob Williams will stay at the Hotel Taft and attend meetings at Columbia University.

### William's Article Chosen

The National winner of the Tuberculosis Association school newspaper contest will be announced at the convention. Bob William's feature article, "Murder, Microscopically Speaking," won Silver Chips the honor of representing Maryland in this contest. Announcement will also be made of the CSPA ratings of school papers on the basis of issues submitted earlier this year. Silver Chips won second place last year.

### To Attend Lectures, Clinics

Talks by prominent people in the world of journalism, school newspaper clinics, round table discussions, will also make up the program. The Convention will conclude with luncheon for all of the delegates at the Waldorf-Astoria on Saturday, March 12.

The delegates hope to attend a show and get in some sight-seeing before they come home Sunday afternoon.

## "March Winds" Usher in Vice-Versa, March 26

"March Winds" may bring "April Showers" but this month also brings that traditional dance known to all at Blair as the Vice-Versa.

The dance is being held in Blair's gym on March 26 from 9:00 to 12:00 with the Alaskans' Orchestra supplying the music for the dancing. The sum of \$1.20 will admit both stags and drags but since it's the females' night to howl, girl stags are more in demand than boys.

The gals are reminded that prizes are given for the most original corsages, which in past years gave full evidence of the wide-range of feminine imagination, at least at Blair.



# It's So-o-o Nice to Be Gay

"Oh isn't she simply darling...?"

"Wouldn't this pink angora sweater look simply adorable on her!"

"Don't you just looove the way she walks!"

"Man, would I like a date with her!"

"Some dish!"

These are just a few of the remarks we overheard people making about Gay as we strolled through these sacred halls of Blair. Who is this gal who seems to have captured the admiration of so many of her classmates?"

Gay DeNike was born in Bogota, New Jersey, on February 11, 1931. She has traveled quite a bit, having lived in Westfield, New Jersey; Geneva, N. Y.; Chatam, N. Jersey; and Chicago, Illinois, before moving to Silver Spring in her sophomore year.

Gay makes friends easily, and fitted right into things immediately upon her arrival at Blair. She became a member of the Tri-Hi-Y and is now President of the Senior Chapter. She is an active member of the Library Club, became a cheerleader in her junior year, and of course she was in the Blair Queen's Court.

Gay has few pet peeves but two of them she mentioned were "People calling me snobbish," and "People who gossip about my friends." Among her likes are blond-haired fellows, the colors green and grey, dancing, swimming, horseback riding, and knitting.

When we asked Gay how she spends her spare time she said she "didn't have a great deal," and

## Party Line Victory Celebrated With Many Parties

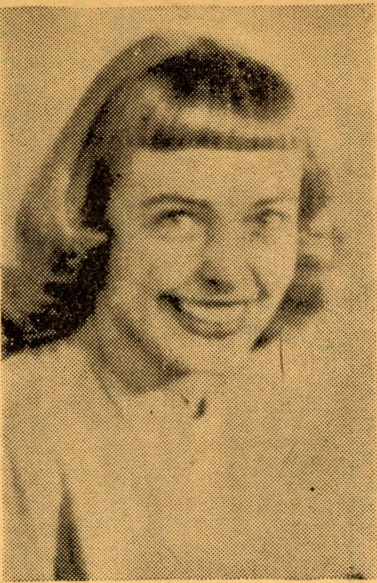
This month all our best goes to that swell team we're so proud of, the BLAZERS.

Celebrating our triumphant victory over (Excuse the expression) Bethesda; we found Bob Cushman's house ablaze with festivity. Among the guests were Mo Sandifer, Bob Finzel and Joyce Duvall, Frank Proctor and Anne Swayzee, Bill Chapin and Janice Patton, Roy Routt and Eleanor Wood, Ed Chapin and Aimee Lou Johannes, Mitch Parsons and Janet Lovre, Johnny Theofield and Bette Gill, Bill Mess and Eileen Collins, Volney Schulze and Jessie Pickett, Danny Lyons and Joan Baker, Pete Bell and Gay DeNike, Johnny Ford and Mickey Robbins, Bobby Theofield and Sylvia Reed.

Peggy Major had a little get-together a few Saturday's ago. Seen there were Jimmy Baliles, Harry Stine, Mary Lewis, Bernie Cochran, Carol Bouer, Jimmy Foster, and Barbara Bowie.

Pat Crossan's house was the scene of peaceful (?) tranquillity a few nights ago, for a meeting of the Loafers' Club was in session. Members present were Sergene Benson, Elizabeth Cave, Betty Jean Collier, Vivian Cherrix, Connie Turney, Laurene Smith, Shirley Smith, Ann Gummel, Percy Goody, Muriel Sterling, Jimmy Baliles, Bernie Cochran, and Millie Layton.

It doesn't seem right seeing Frank and no Dottie, does it? Dottie Sheperd, who was a potential future captain of the Majorettes, moved unexpectedly to Falls Church and now attends the high school there.



Gay DeNike

we can well believe it!

Upon graduation this spring she plans to attend University of Maryland and then get married.

We wish you luck in all you do, Gay, but we know you don't need luck as long as you are just plain you!

## Browsing

Over here we see the personalities of perhaps seventy students reflected. Moving on, there are the promises of many happy dances, parties, and book reports to come.

Just a little further is a long spindle with absence notes—and heaven knows what else. Volumes of information (interesting as well as dull) and a book that keeps us wondering for six weeks at a time, stares us in the face.

A jam packed purse is hidden behind the books; a group of answered and unanswered mail occupies the next space, and the absence report is on the top of just plain junk.

Pencils, and a pen as well as notes to yourself and assignments clutter up the only available writing space, and more junk clutters up space not even known to exist. . . . . Portrait of a teacher's desk, and teachers scold students for messy lockers!

The Hen Party at Pincrest Cabin last Firday must have been quite the thing. Guests included Reanne Hemmingfay Jean Lohr-Jean Rembert, Jill Dorsey, Sue Hall, Pansy Hirst, Shirley Flinger, Dianne Haney, Mary Ann Eichorn, Rita Eichorn, Sally Shanklin, "Jock" Burdine, Sue Scotton, Jeanine Aclerton, Nancy Allen, and Nancy McInnerney.

Thelma Rice and Jimmy Guthrie of Devitt have an "anniversary" coming up March 13. It will be a whole year of the ball and chain.

Celebrating Anne Musselwhite's birthday at a surprise party were Johnny Scofield, Donna Berkley, Don Holloway, Don Graham, Mary Anne Perendergast, Jimmy McEnroe, Mary Brennan, Herbie Lacy, Jean Lobdell, John Tracy, Ray Musselwhite, Bill Weaver, adn Ben Bordeaux.

By this time next month, spring will be in full swing and who knows what can happen? So until then, Adios.

Wanted to buy—A mind reader who specializes in men.

For Rent—Chemistry term papers. For details see last year's chemistry students.

# Speaking of . . .

Beau Brummel, thou shouldst be living at this hour!

Because the New Look, not content with making fools of the fairer sex, is moving in on the men. For years men have stood aside and let the female of the species gild the lily, while the men have worn the same old conservative garb (age?). Before, when a man wanted to dress up, he kept his shiny blue serge suit, but bought a bright pair of socks.

But all that has changed, or is changing, at least. Here are some of the alarming symptoms.

Arthur Godfrey recently reported one of his correspondents, a Big Boot in the shoe business, is saying that in the near future men will be wearing *open-toed shoes*! Looks like I'll have to wash my feet soon. But think of how many businesses these ventilated shoes will benefit. People will become foot (?) conscious, so the foot-powder business will have a big boom, and the nailclipper companies will see millions of those toenail parers, the ones with the built-in screwdrivers, corkscrew, packnives and apple-decorers. Sock manufacturers will put out new models, with Varga girls on the toes, and maybe even the nail polish people will put out some rugged paint for America's he-men (?). Insurance companies will have to issue policies for stubbed toes.

Mr. Godfrey read another letter from someone who said that American males would soon all be wearing beards. Well, steal my razor and call me Montey Wooley! There are good and bad points to beards. (Especially Van Dykes—that's a pun, son!) One of the good points is that they're very handy during examinations—wonderful for hiding cheat-sheets! And think of the new hidden-ball plays you could work in football! Also, if Mrs. Macdonald keeps you in during lunch period, just slip a few sandwiches into the bush on your face—but be careful that you don't conceal any sloppy stuff this way, as it is liable to leak, and don't hide any candy either, as you are liable to attract hordes of insects, and you may have swarms of bees buzzing around you head, or a tribe of ants treking to and from your beard. One distinct disadvantage is that beards are troublesome during meals. They have a way of drooping in the Wheaties, getting caught in sandwiches (Special today—Ham & Hair sandwiches), and of mopping up that steak gravy.

I think I'll grow one of those things, and pick up some extra money by posing for coughdrop advertisements.

As if open-toed shoes, and beards weren't enough, someone now comes along with mink slippers for men, which retail for \$75. Yes, believe it or not, for only \$75 milord can now keep his feet warm by buying a pair of genuine mink slippers. Isn't that just too, too! At least these offset a bad feature of the open-toed shoes; after trotting around all day with nude toes, said toes will be cold, if not frost bitten, so milord merely has to hop like a bunny into his mink tootsie warmers. Of course a hot footbath is cheaper (\$75 less) but it isn't half as impressive.

Wonder if the things shed?

Also in the slipper line are "Nite-Glo" slippers, which shine in the dark, as they have a phosphorescent patch, or something, on them. The only disadvantage is that wives, unaccustomed to the

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# "Red Cross" Needs Contributions

The Red Cross has launched its annual fund campaign and set as its goal a national quota of sixty million dollars.

In the coming months of this year, unforeseen disaster will strike in many places, affecting many people. The Red Cross will be on hand to render emergency relief, and will be at the scene of these disasters to provide food, clothing, and temporary shelter for distressed people.

Through its home nursing, first aid, and life-saving courses, it will spread better health habits and reduce the accident toll throughout the land.

In order to render these services, the Red Cross must be supported by contributions; therefore, when the home-room solicitors appear and request donations, everyone should be prepared to give and "give generously."

# Racial Prejudice-enemy of democracy!

Although race is a highly controversial issue today in almost every part of the country, it is of particular interest to the Washingtonians, for here are representatives from every part of the country expressing every possible viewpoint on the subject. Here in the Nation's Capital the Negro race is demanding its place in American society.

In the recent past there have been several specific places from which the Negroes felt that they should not be ostracized, including the National Theater, Constitution Hall, and the restaurant and coffee shop of the National Airport. Although the issue was averted in the former by a change from production of plays to movies, the Negroes have gained admittance to the latter two. Thus this out-cast race is slowly making progress in its status as citizens, but hard feelings nevertheless persist.

As any religious or social group has its various types of people, so has the Negro race. Many of these colored folk, brought up in the South, taste the appetizer of freedom and become impatient to delight themselves with the main course. Often in loud voices and unruly actions they demand their liberties.

Racial prejudice, however, is one certain thing that cannot be changed in an overnight period. Perhaps too many people have been taught the superiority of one race over another. Perhaps too many persons judge the whole

race by the uneducated Negro who has decided to prove "his rights" by shouting and fighting while the voice of the well-bred Negro is drowned out in the confusion and uproar.

The removal of prejudice cannot be forced. Scores of people and orgaizations realize this fact and are doing something about prejudice, other than ineffective arguing.

A local newspaper, which never blasts a small but scandalous story over the front page for mere effect, is an example of what a newspaper CAN do. Quite often photographs of public affairs include pictures of Negroes in mixed groups, and less than a month ago the pictorial section showed a choir group consisting of Negroes.

Not long ago Arthur Godfrey read a letter to his listeners which thanked him for "helping their kind" of people." He answered that the people for his Talent Show are judged for talent rather than by their race, creed, or color, and he continued to say that there are no different kinds of people, but all one kind.

It took a civil war to free the Negroes from slavery, but it will take much longer and something more than a war to erase racial prejudices from the minds of human beings.

First of all, it will take time, perhaps generations. Secondly it will take the effort of every good American citizen to overthrow this deadly enemy of real democracy, prejudice.

## Monday Morning

A ringing-some sleep  
A fierce shake-a groan  
We're awake late--we're dressed late  
So we eat breakfast alone.  
Some lipstick-our books  
A dash for the door  
And so all through the year

We miss buses galore.  
We finally get to school  
At ten after nine  
Now isn't that just fine!  
And each time we promise  
That no more after this  
That old Blair School Bus  
Are we going to miss!  
Want to Bet?

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## CARE Committee Sends 20 Packages

Twenty packages, wrapped in heavy brown paper and labelled with unpronounceable names, were placed in the mail last week by the CARE committee.

These boxes, both large and small, contained the clothing donated by Blair students in the drive held before Christmas.

Fifteen families in Europe, who are supported monthly by CARE food packages from Blair, will soon welcome this warm clothing they have been so badly in need of.

### Thankful Letters Received

Descriptions of the members of each family have been obtained in the numerous letters of thanks received. The CARE committee was, therefore, able to send just what they knew would be used.

It was through the efforts of Audrey Meriam, president of the CARE committee organization, Patty Morrow, and Anita Hafeman, that these packages were made ready to mail. Mrs. Frances Andrews and Mrs. Emily Holloway are co-sponsors of this hard working group.

### Avenue of Progress

The CARE Avenue of Progress chart, posted in the walking between the two buildings, shows that while many homerooms are up-to-date in their CARE payments many are lagging behind.

The board on the other side of the hallway shows the grateful letters received and pictures of desperate situations that do exist.

## 'Loafer' Percy Goody Organizes New Club

Blair's host of clubs has taken on a new addition, which arrived in the form of a social group, known as the "Loafers," consisting of 22 members, at present.

Originated and organized by Percy Goody, it has named Mr. William Hinckley as its faculty sponsor, and chosen a group of socially minded juniors as its members.

Organized early in February, the "Loafers" have already planned for two parties, a trip to the Ambassador Pool, and a skating party. When weather permits, they will look forward to a beach party, hayride, picnic, and fishing trip (they hope to charter a cabin cruiser).

Further entertainment will undoubtedly be planned at future meetings.

## Chips Gets Around!

Did you know that *Silver Chips* is read in California, Minnesota, Florida, Nebraska, Samoa, and Colorado, etc.?????

Yes! It's quite true; every issue of our school newspaper is sent, through exchanges, to a number of different schools throughout the United States and other neighboring countries. In return, these schools send us copies of their newspapers. By these exchanges, we are able to see what teen-agers in other sections are doing and also we can see how *Silver Chips* rates with other school newspapers.

In most of our exchange papers, we find and print jokes or poems which we think you Blairites would be interested in reading.

## Sara Pryor Chosen Typical Teenager

Sara Pryor, a junior prominent in Blair activities, will appear in the pages of the March issue of several National magazines, as a "typical American teenager."

Sara, who is better known to her family and relatives as Carolyn, was chosen last fall by a New York advertising firm to have her bedroom redecorated as a promotion stunt of the Alexander Smith Rug Company.

### Decorate Room

The interior decorators, in carrying out Sara's favorite scheme, gave her room blue walls, pastel rose furniture, and a blue rug with a design of pink roses. Because Sara's room is small a double-decker bed is used to the best advantage, gaily decorated with a pink-and-white candy striped valance board.

The upholstered-slipped chair is done in watermelon pink, which is highlighted again in two old-fashioned valentine prints on the walls. Two of Sara's original water colors are framed in antique gold.

Sara says she wants to study fashion modeling. Upon graduation from Blair, she plans to attend Wesleyan College in West Virginia.

## Honor Roll Lists Additional Pupils

When the honor roll list appeared in the last issue of "Silver Chips," a number of names had not been turned in. All that have come in since are included in this issue.

On the third six weeks honor list were Marlita Scott, Marcia Flickinger, Janet Frocke, Thelma Rice, Carolyn Wittauer, Joan Smith, Janice Lovre, Betty Lou Woodworth, Joan Carl, Bob Merrick, Sue Patton, Kevin Owens, Anita Payne, and Beatrice Cooke.

Semester honors were won by Joan Hubbell, Mary Lewis, Dottie McLaughlin, Marcia Flickinger, Janet Frocke, Thelma Rice, Carolyn Wittauer, Lillian Wolf, Joan Smith, Bob Sperry, Janice Lovre, Betty Lou Woodworth, Joan Carl, Bob Merrick, Sue Patton, Ella Wingo, Kevin Owens, Ted McGowan, Anita Payne, Rosemarie Casper, Betty Casper, and Beatrice Cooke.

### A. F. A. Contest

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Keep it within the thousand word limit."

### Teachers Have Data

Students who wish to enter the contest may obtain further information from their English teachers.

In the recent writing contest sponsored by the Washington Star, about fifty entries were made by Blairites. Entries included poetry, short stories, short-short stories, essays, book reviews, radio scripts, examples of journalistic writing, and a letter to a foreign student.

## Soph.-Frosh Hop Slated

Blair's annual Sophomore-Freshman Hop will be held on March 19, in the gym, from 8:30 to 11:30.

The purpose of the dance is to give the freshmen a chance to meet sophomores and to become acquainted with Blair.

Admission is free for the freshmen and 25 cents for the sopho-

## Fate Approaches

What a golden opportunity! The Vice-Versa Dance was approaching! Unlike the stronger (?) sex, I had to either get a date early or get stuck with some square.

The big question of the moment was whether to ask my "Secret Passion" or the guy my arch-rival had her eye on. My mind was made up for me. I was informed that someone had beaten both of us to the draw.

My knees trembled and my heart pounded as I approached my "hunk o' man" to pop the big question. When he accepted, I leaned on the nearest chair, closed my eyes, and took a deep breath. Oh, Happy Day!

The night had arrived! As I nervously dressed for the fifth time, terror gripped me! Suppose he hadn't really wanted to go with me? Suppose he dances like he's trying to pump water from a well? What would I do if he eats more than I can pay for at the Hot Shoppe? Suppose he isn't ready when I call for him and I have to go in and meet his folks?

Prepared for a fate worse than death, I arrived at his house only fifteen minutes late. Much to my relief, he answered the door with his coat on ready to leave. He didn't look very happy about it when I pinned on his "corsage" made of lettuce and radishes, but I really thought it looked nice.

What an evening! Following the traditional procedure of Blair's Vice-Versa, I bought his ticket as well as mine, asked him to dance, opened all doors, offered him my chair, literally waiting on him hand and foot. However, I was lucky, all facts considered. He was a smooth dancer and light eater! What more could a girl ask for?

Now that the dance is over, I can once again lead a simple life. My only comment is, "Thank goodness I'm not a boy!"

## Beau Brummel . . .

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gizmos, might be a bit leary the first time they woke up in the middle of the night and saw two luminous blobs floating toward the bathroom.

But this whole trend is climaxed in that Paragon of Prettiness, Gorgeous George, the wrestler who Marcel his blond locks and perfumes himself before each bout. Pardon me while I tickle my throat. If all males did that, couples on dates would talk like this: the girl—"Darling, I just *loooove* your Channel No. 5, and where *did* you get that adorable finger wave? The boy—"I love me, too!" This would go on, unless one got jealous of the other's patchouli or page-boy.

The trend toward foppishness could become serious if men adopted all of these cute little fads. Girls, can't you just see your Lover Boy picking you up for a date, wearing the most adorable cut-away shoes, or a pair of cozy mink slippers, a bunch of violets in his lapel, his hair done up in a soft Toni, and wearing a bushy beard!

Yours for less frills and more ruggedness in men's clothes—and men.

mores.

Music for the dance will be furnished by a group of Musicians under the direction of Mr. Messerole.

## "Skip" Swayzee Makes Dean's List; Don Ferguson Signs with Theta Chi

Achieving college fame is an outstanding ex-Blairite, "Skip" Swayzee '47. "Skip" was listed for the first semester on the Dean's List at Amherst College, Massachusetts. This list is composed of the top scholars of each class and includes less than four percent of "Skip's" freshman group. It not only gives scholastic recognition, but permits the students to "regulate their own attendance" at classes.

One of the many Alumni fans enjoying Blair's recent basketball victory over their arch-rivals, Bethesda, was Don Ferguson '48. Don is attending Richmond University, Richmond, Virginia, where he has done work in the field of public speaking, and is a member of the Theta Chi fraternity.

### Jean Roby Betrothed

A summer wedding is planned for Jean Roby '43 and John Appel of Pennsylvania. Jean was a well-known student at Blair and has received many scholastic honors during her college career. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and of the Mortar Board. At present, she is attending Columbia University, where she is preparing for a master's degree in sociology.

Recently announced was the engagement of Madeline Maben '47 to Chester Pflieger, a graduate of Wilson High School. Madeline attended Sullin College and is now employed at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Takoma Park was recently the scene for the wedding of Kay Smith, who graduated from summer school last year, and Charles Brill.

### Births Announced

Johnny and Betty (Hinkson) Nicholson have announced the birth of a son, John Henry, Jr.

Also announcing the birth of a son are Jack and Lois (Bergmann)

Martin.

The baby daughter of Keith Warner '41 was recently baptized at the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church. Keith, who graduated from Maryland University, is now listed on its faculty staff as an instructor in the engineering department.

### Grads in Limelight

Another former Blairite now on the Maryland University staff is Jean Boyer '40, a mathematics instructor.

Pat Richards '39, who was noted even then for her ability on skates, recently appeared in Washington with the Ice Capades. She is now on tour in Florida.

Leading the Veterans' of Foreign Wars Band of Norfolk, Virginia, in the Washington Birthday anniversary parade at Alexandria, were "Gee Gee" Hendron '43 and Barbara Browning '48, well-known former Blair drum-majorettes.

Sonya Goodman '48 was one of twenty freshman at the University of Maryland who were invited to take the elective writing course in the second semester.

## Blair Host to Conference

Montgomery Blair played host, with Bob Alexander presiding, at the Regional Government Conference at Baltimore on Thursday, February 24, 1949.

The purpose of the meeting was to compare the problems of the schools of the state with each other and to get ideas to improve the present school governments.

There were 55 schools invited to the meeting. Those people attending from Blair were Vic Jungk, Bob Alexander, Don Markle, John Ford, John Brookbank, Anne Swayzee, Muriel Sandifer, Bette Gill, Bob Theofield, Joyce Duvall, and Dick Walker.

## The young attorney was grateful



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# Blazers Upset Barons to Win County Title

## Blazers Smash "Men of Iron"

With Johnny Linton and Mitch Parsons putting theirs in when they counted the most, the Blazers of Blair defeated the Barons of Bethesda at the University of Maryland Coliseum last Saturday afternoon to break the tie that existed for the basketball championship of Montgomery County.

The game was played, to break the tie in the Montgomery County basketball championship before a near capacity crowd.

The win meant that Blair had a place in the Evening Star Tournament and also in the Maryland State Contest.

The ball handling was much improved over the last game with Bethesda. With less than two minutes to go and Blair holding a one-point lead, Bill Larimore pushed in a foul shot. Tommy Garash of Bethesda who fouled Larimore was fouled in return and sank his shot. Bill Schief sank Blair's last point on a charity throw.

From this point on, Blair did a great job of freezing the ball so that when Bethesda finally got hold of the ball they could not score. The game ended with Blair leading 35-33. With this Blair gained its third sports win over Bethesda in four games this year.

As to the game's outstanding players, honors go to Johnny Linton of Blair for his scoring and ball handling and Vick Guandola for his fine floor play.

Blair	FG	FT	T.	Pts.
Parsons	4	2	10	
Linton	4	2	10	
Chapin	2	0	4	
Luckett	3	0	6	
Larimore	1	1	3	
Schief	0	2	2	
Mason	0	0	0	
Total	14	7	35	

Bethesda	FG	FT	T.	Pts.
Geneau	4	3	11	
Towne	2	3	7	
Beckwith	2	1	5	
Guandola	3	1	7	
Garsh	0	1	1	
Schneider	1	0	2	
Total	12	9	33	

Wanted: A pair of broadminded parents. Anyone with extras for sale see "Senior Susie".

Wanted: Vitamin pills to make a certain fellow grow six inches taller, quick!

## Blair Drops Star Tourney Opener, 54-52

Blair tangled with Gonzaga in the third game of the Star Tournament last Wednesday at Maryland Coliseum, whereupon Gonzaga came through in the final minutes to nip the Blazers, 54-52.

Gonzaga took an early seven point lead, by virtue of Tippy Larkins and his deadly one-handed push shot. But as time progressed, the Blair men rallied, led by Mitch Parsons, who started the scoring going on two fine long shots. Ray Luckett, and high scorer Ed Chapin, also sank three apiece as the Blazers came from behind to tie the score at the end of the first half.

### Schief Ties

The tying basket came when Bill (Reds) Schief stole the ball from Dan Hogan and raced the length of the court to make the shot, just beating the gun.

The second half found Blair the first to surge ahead as Chapin, Luckett, and Schief again spearheaded the attack. Then it was Larkins and Company's turn as they chopped the lead and gained it themselves, by six. But with only three minutes left to play Schief again stole the ball and went the distance to put Blair only four points behind. Then a foul on Chapin, and Blair was only three points short.

### Gonzaga Tips Score

Gonzaga then sank a long set shot but Luckett was fouled under the basket. Luckett made it, and Blair was behind by four. Larimore then made a hook shot and Blair was only two points short. Larkins and Nolan then fouled out, but Blair was unable to score and the game ended 54-42, thus sending Gonzaga into the semi-finals.

The game was fought hard by both teams and sportsmanship excelled. Mitch Parson was captain for Blair, while Tippy Larkins had Gonzaga's honor.

Chapin	17	17	Larkins
Luckett	11	10	Nolan
Larimore	2	11	Smith
Linton	5	4	Meayhew
Schief	16	2	Murphy
Parsons	11	2	Gardiner
Mason	0	0	McGowan
Richards	0		Total
Total	52		

## Girls Talley Third Victory To Close Season

Blair girls defeated Hyattsville on February 15 by a score of 32-26.

At the half Hyattsville was leading 15-11. Early in the third quarter Blair caught up with their opponents and pulled them down with a six-point margin.

### Blair 20-Fairfax 15

The Blazerettes traveled to Fairfax the following Friday to come home with another victory to their credit. Blair leading at the half, 11-7, went on to talley a final score of 20-15. In the previous game between the two schools the Blazerettes were defeated by the Fairfax girls.

### Blair 19-Annapolis 18

The girls ended their season with a third consecutive victory and a hard defeat. The Annapolis game, played on February 22, was very close all the way with the score see-sawing back and forth to the end. However Blair came out the victors once again with a score of 19-18.

The last game was played with Bladensburg took a one-point lead to win the game, 20-19.

This closed the season leaving the Blazerettes with a record of four wins, ten losses.

## Rifle Team Schedules Matches for N. J. C.

Blazers' Rifle Team faces Maryland University freshmen, Saturday, March 12, and will match representatives from surrounding states and the D. C. area for the National Junior Championship the following week, March 19.

Their only shoulder-to-shoulder match to date, played with Anacostia High, Blair won by 189 points.

In the weekly postal matches, the local team has lost only once. Postal matches consist of those in which the team sends the targets to their opponents, who score and return them.

## Blair Rings Bell

Blair won its thirteenth win defeating Bell, 45-25 last week on the losers court.

John Linton was high scorer as he piled up seventeen points. Jimmy Downs was next in line with eleven. The Blairmen took an early lead and never lost control or even came in danger the whole way and the full squad was able to play.

Bill Schief was Blair's spark plug as he led them with his bullet passes and fancy ball handling.

Don Forman was the big sound for Bell as he tallied seven.

## Who Are They?

Their nerves are tense,  
Their muscles taunt,  
Their fingers cramped,  
Their faces gaunt.

An eternity gone,  
An eternity more.  
Bravely their troubles,  
These warriors bore.

Who are these warriors?  
The answer I'll tell.  
They're Blair students waiting,  
For the 3:30 bell!

## Blair Victorious Over Frederick

Led by Ray Luckett and Chuck Richards, Blair won its sixteenth victory against Frederick last Friday 43-37, to bring to a close the end of their official schedule.

Taking the lead early in the game, Chuck Richards let the Blair men to a fine close as he paced the winners with the points. Ray Luckett was close behind with 5 markers.

Morgan Wotten also was one of the outstanding figures on the court, as he showed great hustle and displayed his deadly eye as he tallied one. (foul shot).

The season's record, not counting the outstanding games (tournaments) read sixteen wins against 5 losses.

Wanted: A cute little gal, five feet five, preferably blond, brunette or redhead, with wonderful personality. See Dave Gardner.

Wanted: One fellow, six feet four, dark and handsome. See Sara Pryor.

Found: A date for the Vice-Versa.  
—Lucky Blair Boy

## State Playoff Scheduled

Blair clashes with Hyattsville High School tonight at 7:30 at the Ritchie Coliseum in their first game in the playoffs for the state basketball championship.

By virtue of their victory over a highly-favored Bethesda team, last week, the Blair men were given placement not only in the Star Tourney but also the state contest. It was decided at a board meeting that the winner of the Blair Bethesda play-off game would represent Montgomery County in both tourneys.

### Winner Goes to Semi-Finals

The winner of tonight's tilt will travel to Cumberland, to play the winner of that area in the semi-finals for state honors.

Coach Creme will probably place his trust in the following players to take tonight's game: Guards Ray Luckett and Walt Mason; Forwards Chuck Richards, oJhn Linton, and Mitch Parsons; and Centers Bill Larimore and Ed Chapin.

The winners of last year's state finals was Fort Hill High School, of Cumberland.

## Sports News and Interviews

by Paul Taggart

## Blair Wins County Crown Plus Placement in Star And State Tournaments

### TIMBER—TIMBER—TIMBER

"Yes! And they (Blair) cut down the old pine tree (Bethesda). And they hauled it away to the mill." (Yes, I said it and I'm glad, and so is the rest of the population here in and around Silver Spring). Why!—because Coach Creme and his team (I'm a poet.) were placed on the bottomside of the bets for the play-off game with Bethesda last week. What I gathered from the betters, Blair's first win was purely luck. Bethesda was just off that night. Then after the second game they had almost convinced me. But I remained still (quiet that is) until after last week's play-off game; then I, hardly believing my eyes, told them off, collected my winnings, and placed a few more in the baseball game this spring.

### Go into State; Star Tourney

By defeating the Barons 35-33 Blair not only won the county title but also received berths in the State (Maryland) and the Star (D. C.) tournaments. The latter got under way last week, but the state play-offs start today.

In the Star play-off Blair faced Gonzaga the first game at College Park. While in the State the Blazers' first game will be against Hyattsville, today, to determine who will represent this area of Maryland, at the main event in Cumberland.

### One Creme You Can't Whip

It seems at the beginning of this season all the teams which Blair had scheduled had planned upon a breather for that particular game. St. John's, Roosevelt, and Bethesda—all thought that Blair

was a certain win. Well, due to the fine coaching of Tony Creme, Blair upset all three of these teams and now ranks high throughout the Maryland and District area. Thanks, Coach, for a job well done, one Silver Spring is proud of and one that opponents are scared of. Congratulations on the fine season!

### Flash

Excuse me while I read this news flash just handed me: What's this, but no it can't be, but, yes, it is Frank Simons, Walt Chamblin, Bob Theofield, Bob Cushman and, yes, "Little" John Ford all plan to box in a newly formed league here in Silver Spring. (A.A.U.) All are now in strict training and have fixed, as their goal the fame of being a Golden Glove winner.

### Wanted—

Anyone interested in selling life insurance, please contact Frank Simons before his first bout. This is urgently needed. Signed Frank Simons.

### Just For YOU

Starting this Saturday there will be a radio program concerning all events here at Blair. It is sponsored and put on by station WOOK, every Saturday at 12:00 noon. Please tune in and talk Mom into listening with your little brother or sister. By doing this your family will get to know Blair and its outstanding students. If you personally would like to appear on this program, get in touch with Janice Lovre or Yours Truly.

Suitor: Darling, how can I ever leave you?

Father: (Shouting downstairs): Bus, trolley, train or taxi.

## Tune in to Tannen Tomorrow!

Vote for Your Favorite Blair Athlete  
on the

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Will Be Broadcast Tuesday, March 15.



## Orchids for Bob??



—Courtesy of Maryland News

Priscilla Ridge pins a corsage of kitchen utensils on Bob Teale at the annual Vice Versa, March 26.

## Band Journeys to Festival in Virginia

For the second time in the history of Montgomery Blair High School on April 28 and 29, the Band and Majorette Corps will accept an invitation to participate in the annual Shenandoah Valley Apple Blossom Festival at Winchester, Virginia.

The groups plan to leave from the school at 9 a.m. Thursday, April 28, and to arrive at Winchester about 12:30 or 1:00 p.m. The method of transportation is not yet known.

### Band Has New Uniforms

The band, wearing their brand new uniforms for the first time and the majorettes will march in the Torchlight Parade on Thursday night at 7 o'clock and in the Grand Feature Parade on Friday. The latter, starting at 2:00 p.m., follows the crowning of the Apple Blossom Queen, and the pageant in her honor. Friday's parade will be from three to five miles long.

Provision is being made for sleeping quarters for the group and they will be accompanied not only by Mr. DeLauder, Mr. Meserole, and Miss Lippy, but also by some parents of the group.

Those veterans of last year's trip recollect with great pleasure the fun had at that time and are looking forward to an equally good time this year.

## Nick Lee Heads Publication of Creative Works

Nick Lee has been selected as Editor of Blair's first magazine, which makes the school's third publication, plans for which have been underway for some time.

Others named to the skeleton staff, who will do the ground work, are Margaret Wilding and Dick Fene, assistant editors; and Sue Patton, business manager.

### One Issue This Semester

The magazine will contain the best creative literary products of students in English classes and of free-lance contributions. Articles, essays, poetry, short stories, and plays will be included.

Although many problems are yet to be ironed out, including details of financing, it is anticipated that one issue will appear before the end of this semester. According to present plans, the magazine will consist of approximately fifty mimeographed, double-spaced pages of standard size, bound with an attractive cover.

### Mr. Hinckley To Advise

Mr. Hinckley is the faculty adviser of the magazine, which will be student managed and operated.

This publication will not duplicate the functions of either *Silverlogue* or *Silver Chips*.

## Variety Show Promises to Be Brilliant

Monty's Corner Drug Store is the setting of the thirteenth annual Variety Show to be held April 8 and 9 at 8:30 P. M. Master of Ceremonies is George Candish, with some assistance from Roland Jones.

Gay De Nike, Mitchell Parsons, Marilyn Archer, and Bobby Theofield, dancing at Monty's, will open the show.

### Boys' Ballet Both Nights

Keeping the show rolling both nights are "When I Grow Up" and "Three Old Maids," humorous acts, "Say Something Sweet" and the "Flora Dora Sextet" from the past, a fashion tip from the "New Look," and a Mexican dance by Lynn Waters.

"Tip and Tap" Hubbel are there with accordians and dancing, the boys with "Rainbow Ballet," Frank Simons doing the solo, and Jo Ann Wheeler, the "Bubble Gum Girl." The teachers are appearing with "Ladies of the Press" and a barber shop quartet.

### Also Music, Dancing

Also heading Friday night's show are the "Dischords," a double quartet, the "Debonairs," a novelty number; and a sob story from Bett Gill and Ann Swayzee. In the piano department are Natalie Eck and Joan Ritter with a duet, and Audrey Rickets playing "Malaquaina;" the vocal department, Lula Hogan and Bob Teale each a solo. Jean Mitchell, accompanied by bagpipes, in the "Highland Fling;" Sally Ann Baehr doing a toe dance; and John Campbell reading dramatically "The Waltz," round out the program.

Saturday night's performance will also include Charlene Kreh and Mary McCaslin in an Irish duet and a vocal solo by Sher Lee Cheek. Jenny Coe and Joyce Duvall light their batons, while Dorcus McLaughlin plays the flute. John Campbell plays a classical piano solo, Sydney Hepler plays boogie woogie, and Judy Thompson does a tap dance. A hillbilly act is thrown in for novelty.

## Cherry Blossom Fete Includes Two Blairites

Courtney Murphy, 10-9, and Janice Lovre, 12-7, represented North Carolina and South Dakota respectively in the Cherry Blossom Festival last weekend.

This is the second consecutive year Blair has been represented, as Nancy Bakke was princess from Colorado last year.

Formal activities began on Friday evening with dinner in the Louis Seize Room of the Shoreham, followed by the Cherry Blossom Ball, where the queen was selected, although the state societies had previously feted their princesses at parties and dances. Saturday morning brunch in the South American Room of the Statler, was followed by the Festival itself at the Sylvan Theater.

After dinner, which was served in the Mayflower's Chinese Room, there was a concert by the United States Marine Band and the Central High School Chorus.

Brunch on Sunday morning at the Carlton Hotel officially closed the festival.

Courtney remarked, "I enjoyed the motorcade most of all. It was so much fun going through red lights."

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## Blair Students Win in Contest

Placing third, among the schools entered, in number of both types of awards won, Blair students received 23 prizes in the recent Evening Star Scholastic Writing Contest, the accomplishment being called an "outstanding record" by the contest judges.

Nine gold pins were awarded to eight students. Their articles will be entered in the National Scholastic Writing Contest, in which top prize is a four year scholarship to the University of Pittsburgh.

### Three Firsts

Three students winning first prize were Dick Fene for his review, Connie LeRoy for her international writing, and Pat Parkman for her editorial.

Others receiving gold awards were Harry Ingram, review; Margie Wilding, essay; Nancy Bakke, radio script; Jimmy Baliles, short story; Nancy Bakke, column; and Karen Kruse, in humor.

### Top in Reviews

For reviews, in which Blair won all of the prizes except four, certificates were awarded to the following: Mary A. Kifer, Pat Parkman, Ruth Bauman (two), John Edwards (two), Mary L. Hanson, and Nick Lee.

Certificates in other fields were awarded the following: William Diedrich and Mary Louise Hanson for short stories; Harry Kirk, essay; Karen Kruse and James Rembert, poetry; Charles Brailer, news story; Robert S. Williams, sports writing.

## Chances to Teach Made by M. C. E. A.

Numerous scholarships to Maryland institutions of learning are open as of the coming fall term, including those again to be made available by the Montgomery Education Association, to those students interested in the teaching profession.

Seniors and graduates of Montgomery County Schools are eligible for this assistance. Applications should be sent to the Board of Education office in Rockville before May 1.

### Take May 7 Exams

Applications should be accompanied with a letter from the high school principal and a transcript of the applicants' records. The scholarship examinations should be taken at Richard Montgomery High School on May 7.

These scholarships are gifts if the student enters the teaching profession; otherwise they become loans.

### Hopkins Offers Number

The John Hopkins School of Engineering is offering one state scholarship in Montgomery County and scholarships on an at-large basis for the year, 1949-50.

The founder of Hopkins University provided for five scholarships in the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Business for residents of Maryland. These will be open beginning in September, 1949. The applicant for any of the above should apply to the school office for admission and for a scholarship before May 15. His school

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## Senior Wins Prize

Priscilla Ridge, a senior active in many Blair organizations, recently received honors in a scholastic art contest sponsored by Jelleff's Department store. The judges awarded Priscilla keys on two pastel pictures from her portfolio.

These pictures were then to have been sent to be judged with others from all over the nation. However, by the decision of the judges, no portfolios from the Washington region (nearby Virginia, Maryland and D. C.) will be sent to Pittsburgh for the National judging for scholarships.

## Are You to Blame?

Assembly conduct has been changing from bad to worse to *positively* and *completely* disgraceful. Who's fault is it? Have YOU been doing anything to correct this impossible situation?

Disgusted outsiders looking in upon assemblies note that Blairites as individuals are very fine people—BUT as soon as they assemble, they begin acting worse than any second graders—yes, or even kindergarteners.

Stop and think! Wouldn't you feel ashamed and even humiliated if your parents or friends were to see how YOU and YOUR schoolmates have been acting?

Have you no manners or is it plain ignorance? Speaking or acting from a stage is a nerve racking job, even for some professionals. And YOU have been laughing and giggling and wisecracking at your OWN friends!

If YOU are half the person you should be, you'll not only immediately correct your own behavior at assemblies, but you, personally will see to it that even that smart alec boy in the second row SHUTS UP—Either Blair assemblies will prove more successful in the near future, or there will prove to be no future for Blair assemblies!



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## Senior Chips Members Retire

Silver Chips is now in its twelfth year of service to Blair High School. In 1937 the first edition had a circulation of three hundred and sixty; today the paper is read by nearly one thousand students.

Blair may well be proud of its newspaper. The increase in circulation has had a corresponding increase in quality. This year Chips won for the first time a first place rating in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association's national contest.

The only lapse in the progress of the building up of Chips came during the '43-'44 war years, when

mimeographing had to be substituted for the regular printing process.

In giving credit where credit is due, tribute must be paid to Mrs. Moler, the faculty advisor, under whose inspirational guidance Silver Chips has reached the plane on which it stands today. But for her unfailing energy and enthusiasm this never would have been possible.

It is the fondest hope of the present staff that you, the subscriber, have enjoyed reading Chips as much as we have enjoyed publishing it.

D—Blond-headed junior girl, known for her winning ways . .

Likes people and good times, pals around with JoBe, Beanie, Helen, Bette and the rest of the gang . . . Ambition is to get all A's on her report card . . . Dislikes unfriendly people . . . Idea of a good time is to start to the beach early, swim, eat, and finally end up dancing. Spends her spare time paling around with the girls . . . Loves Blair and hates to think that she has only one more year (Cheer up! Maybe you won't pass this year.)

E—Blond, sophomore boy, known to some as Chico . . .

Ambition is to own a big horse ranch, likes horses, boxing and cars . . . Pals around with Charles Diffinbaugh, Jack Evans and Dick Browning . . . Has no dislikes that he can think of. Spends his spare time playing basketball, riding his horse, and fooling around with cars . . . His idea of a good time depends on where he is and who he's with . . .

"Go to father!" she said  
When I asked her to wed.  
Though she knew that I knew  
That her father was dead:  
And she knew that I knew  
What a life he had led  
And she knew that I knew  
What she meant when she said  
"Go to father!"

—Chronicle—

\* Dedicated to the Technicians  
Section of the Radio Guild:  
If she wants a date—Meter  
If she wants a call—Receiver  
If she wants an escort—Conductor  
If she wants to be an angel—Transformer  
If you thing she's two-timing—Detector  
If she eats too much—Reducer  
If she's too narrow in her views—Amplifier  
But if she flirts—ELIMINATOR  
—Thanks to Gonzaga—

## "Where's Charley"

by Bob Williams

The mere remark, "Where's Charley," is sufficient provocation for causing what may be naively termed "gales of laughter" among the Montgomery Blair delegates to the annual C. S. P. A. Convention recently held in Gotham-on-the-subway.

No, Charley was not the official class jester, or a bumpkin being ridiculed by the suave, sophisticated representatives of Sligo Creek. No, Charley is not either of these.

Charley is a high-spirited, skit-tish, hilarious, ex-vaudevillian named Ray Bolger, who is cleverly disguised as a high-spirited, skit-tish, hilarious Oxford student named Charley Wykeham, the scatter-brained hero of the current Broadway musical comedy, "Where's Charley," now playing at the St. James Theatre.

"Where's Charley," concern two students of Oxford who are in love (it even happens to the British) with two fair maids, but as they are living in the early part of this century, when a mug was not a face but a vessel from which to drink, they must needs have a chaperone. The young Romeos are Charley Wykeham and Jack Chesney, played by the inimitable, irrepressible Bolger, and the handsome, adequate Byron Palmer. The gals, Amy and Kitty, are respectably (and respectively) in love with Charley and Jack, and in order named portrayed by Doretta Morrow, a beautiful doll-like blonde with a lovely voice, and Allyn McLerie, who does a wonderful job of singing, dancing, and being a comedienne.

### Multiple Love Stories

Charley's Aunt, who goes by the rather implausible but interesting name of Donna Lucia D'Alvadorez, and who is literally a capitalist by virtue of her bank account, is just the right person for the position of chaperone, especially since she is coming to Oxford to visit Charley.

Unfortunately, the young damsels arrive, but the aunt doesn't but as a chaperone is imperative, Charley alternately makes passionate, if somewhat awkward, love to Amy, and masquerades as his aunt, dressed in something that shouldn't have happened to a mid-Victorian dowager queen.

This is not complicated enough for the play's author, Brandon Thomas, so two elderly, but virile gentlemen appear, Jack's father, Sir Francis Chesney, and Mr. Spettigue, who also happened to be the father of Amy, the one less generously endowed with gray matter.

Jack's father had come to Oxford to tell his son that due to misfortune they were bankrupt, and upon hearing this Jack immediately tries to have his father marry Donna Lucia (or Charley-with-the-old-lace). This is all right with Sir Chesney, so he sets out to woo the rich woman as does Mr. Spettigue, when he learns of her great wealth.

The rest of the play concerns the rather involved love stories of Jack-Kitty, Charley-Amy, Sir Francis-Donna Lucia (Charley), Mr. Spettigue-Donna Lucia (Charley).

As Charley has three affairs on his hands simultaneously, and as the real Donna Lucia finally appears, the whole hodge-podge becomes increasingly complicated, until finally everything is worked out and everyone is happy except Mr. Spettigue, who always was a boulder anyway, don't y' know?

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## A to Z With Joyce Darby

A—Always ready for Chuckles  
B—Blond hair, green eyes, and "tall enough"  
C—Chief of "Silver Chips" in '49  
D—Dependable—to her Dicky is just "ducky"  
E—Eats only when awake  
F—Favorite colors are blue and green; favorite sailor is John  
G—Graduates two days before her 18th birthday (June 23)  
H—Honor Society, Library Club Quill and Scroll, Job's Daughter  
I—Ice Cream—She never gets enough!  
J—Junior High at S.S.I.—Joyce was editor there, too.  
K—Knitting is a hobby  
L—Loves the song, "Once in Love with Amy"  
M—Mischievous twinkle in her eye at the ringing of the 3:30 bell on Friday  
N—No brothers or sisters  
O—Onward to Maryland U—with a major in English  
P—Pert—but panic stricken at the thought of homework  
Q—Quiet when asleep  
R—Resident of Kensington  
S—Sincere  
T—Textbook totter—?  
U—Unfailing friendliness  
V—Victorious in winning her monogram  
W—WGAY is her place of work on Saturday

### Party Line

## Spring Is Sprung

by Jo Be Moore

Last month you were warned that Spring was gonna get you and that it did, for miracle of all miracles, Johnny Ford got himself a girl, Margaret Engel by name.

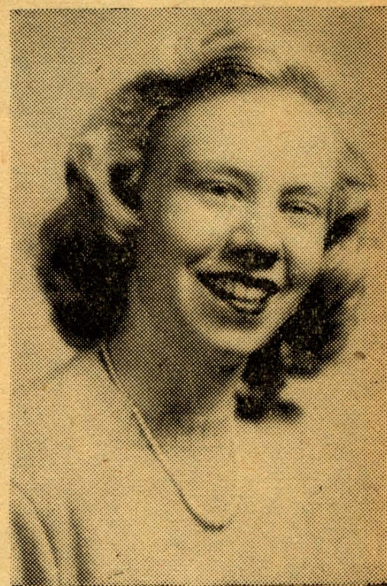
Having fun swimming and dancing at the new teen canteen at Walter Reed last Saturday night were Jeanne Rembert and Pat Cooney, Joyce Waring and Austin Lowery, and Ann Lee Weeks and Art Height.

Enjoying the atmosphere of the "Open Air" Saturday night were John Davis and Yours Truly, Aimee Lou Johannes and Lloyd Kelley, Carolyn Wittauer and Frank Simmons, Lorene Ladd and Ted Owens.

The Bunny Sock-Hop was a terrific success! Among the guests we spotted Sylvia Reed, Tim Crofton, Peggy Moore, B. B. Smith, Bett Gill, Johnny Theofield, Margaret Engel, Jesse Pickett, Volney Schultz, Evelyn Bean, Walt Chamlin, Janice Patton, Ed Chapin, Marilyn Archer, Bob Theofield, Nancy Vickers, Dave Gardner, Joan Luckett, Gene Littlefield, Eleanor Wood, Rit North, Marlita Scott, Bill Chapin, Sue Mitchell, Harry Ingram, Ruth Bauman, Charlie Shoemaker, Pete Bell, Gay DeNike, Eileen Collins, Bill Mess, Mo Sandifer, Vic Junck, Carol Whitt, John Selby, Don Lashley, Pris Ridge, Betty Raegh, Kenny Bazzle, Sidney Hepler, Buddy Taylor, Priscilla Varney, Jack Kline-stuber, Louise Bowman, David Kreh, Barbara Monaghan, Don Snow, Lynn Waters, Warren Russell, Ann Clements, Ted Smith, Lu-ann Walker, Willis Poole, John Davis, and Yours Truly.

A surprise party was given by Joanne Taylor for Pat Cochran a while ago. Included among the guests were Jill Dorsee, Virginia Rice, Joan Hattersley, Joan Wright, George Candish, Don Arming, Johnny Linton, Dave Feldman, Richard Dixon, Tommy Van Franken, and Jack Dorsee.

Seen at the Cherry Blossom Ball were Pat Frazier and Bill Ostman, Joan Thayer and Bob Alexander,



Joyce Darby

X—XEROPHILOUS—a drought resistant plan—Nothing to do with Joyce, but it begins with X!  
Y—Yeans to travel  
Z—Zoom! We've gone from A to Z already!

## Recipe for Spring

Here is the recipe for America's favorite dish. Follow directions carefully and you will see what I mean.

First find a plot of new green grass. Add a pinch of pink for our noteworthy Japanese Cherry trees. Next beat in one tablespoon of yellow for the vivid spirals of forsythia. Now mix well with a teaspoon of royal white for spirea. Last, stir in a bit of the tender green that is characteristic of newly-budding weeping willow trees. Sprinkle with a half dozen boys and girls in shirt sleeves and bake slowly in a 78° blue sky flecked with fleecy clouds.

Serve this to anyone, and see if you don't get the biggest response you ever received for your recipe of "Spring."

## In Memoriam

John Romeo, a fine looking fellow, friendly, a good baseball player, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony C. Romeo died at Washington Sanitorium after an automobile accident on March 28.

Somehow, it seems that if each Blairite resolved to be more careful, John would be very much pleased. Perhaps this would be the greatest tribute that could be paid to him.

Winnie Winn and Ed. Hamilton, Bryan Dear and Nancy Bakke, John Brookbank and Mary Marsh, Bill Stimpson, Joan Keagle, Pat Cooney, Jean Rembert, Harry Sullivan, and Lois Young and Jimmy Stout.

Having a gay time down at the National Skating Rink Friday evening were Maureen Doherty, Betty Page Lowe, Joyce Darby and Shirley Sherrer.

Congratulations to Janice Love and Courtney Murphy, who were Princesses in the Cherry Blossom Festival, representing South Dakota and North Carolina respectively.

Reckon, this is as good a time as any to say "so long" to the Senior Chips staff of '49. It's been swell working with them and we're all gonna miss them. But as we know all good things have to come to an end as does this column.



## Panel Questions State Department

Questions about the United Nations were put to State Department members by Blair students and their parents at the P. T. A. meeting on March 15.

A panel consisting of Mrs. Emily Holloway, chairman, Nancy Bakke, Bob Forward, Mary Lou Hanson, Carlton Clark, Sher Lee Cheek and Ruth Bauman threw questions at Mr. Durward V. Sandifer, director of the Office of United Nations Affairs, and Miss Dorothy Fosdick, of the Policy Planning Staff of the State Department. A question period followed the panel.

### U. N. Given Service

Important points made were that the U. N. has been of real service in settling smaller disputes, even though it cannot do away with a dispute between the Big Powers, and that it has been able to keep the economic interests of eastern and western Europe together. The importance of American leadership was stressed, but Mr. Sandifer said that the small countries usually vote independently or in blocs, rather than following the big powers.

Mr. Sandifer's serious statements were interspersed with amusing stories of his experiences with the United Nations. The audience's most appreciative laughter was for a comment on how internal American conditions affect the position of the United States in the General Assembly. After describing Mr. Vishinsky's attack on antiquated, overcrowded American schools and the American practice of underpaying teachers, Mr. Sandifer added, "You know he gets all those things from P. T. A. reports."

Mr. Sandifer is the father of Blair's Muriel Sandifer, president of the Library Club.

## Vice-Versa Brings Many, Spring Dance April 30

Ah yes, Spring is really here! And right on the heels of spring came the annual Vice-Versa, March 26, which meant raiding Murphy's in hopes of getting ideas for corsages for the girls, and the equal mortification of having to wear these strange concoctions for the boys.

But it seems all will agree it was great fun—and say—How'd you like the little paper pyramid with money dangling from it? Just an example of the many clever corsages seen this year.

### Bunny Sock Hop Held

First prize was awarded Eileen Collins and Baldy Mess for a most unusual conglomeration. Second place went to Janice Lovre and Paul Taggart, third place was given to Marcia Norman and Ed Camus, fourth place to Natalie Eck and Ricky Harrison, and fifth place to Sara Pryor and Buddy Dabney.

The 'Bunny Sock Hop,' vice-versa, at the Pincrest Cabin, April Fools Day was quite the success, too! But then it's always nice not to have to worry about stepping on each others' feet.

O. K. fella's, get on your toes and start beggin' money from Dad now 'cause the next dance it's your turn! That will be the Spring Dance, April 30, from nine 'til twelve. See ya' there!

The difference between journalism and literature is herewith very definitely defined: Journalism is unreadable; literature, unread.

## 135 Blair Students Make Honor Roll

The first grading period of the second semester disclosed 133 students representing their classes on the honor roll.

Sophomores were Patsy Bumgardner, Dorothy Walter, Peggy Holt, Anne Erlanson, Reanne Hemingway, Jean Lohr, Joseph Mendum, Jeanne Rembert, Joyce Wareing, Marie Binot, Carlton Clark, Donald Gray, Katherine Mac Donald, Kare Signell, Judith White, Harold Stone, Burton, Schlossburg, and Lillian Poitte.

Also Marilyn Leonhardt, Carol Funk, Charlene Kreh, Joan Membret, Myra Coleman, Marian Hanlon, Billie Jess, Pat Mason, Connie LeRoy, Barbara McBride, Alice Warfield, Polly Alexander, Betsy Schlosburg, Shirley Flickinger, Nancy Stang, Anne Bengel, and Louis Cote.

### More Juniors

Juniors making honors were Barbara Beall, Sergene Benson, Brian Crowley, Joyce Duvall, Nick Lee, Jerry Lentz, Pat Parkman, Peter Van Royen, Joanne Wyatt, Richard Waters, Marcia Flickinger, Janet Frocke, Thelma Rice, Joan Smith, Carolyn Wittauer, Lillian Wolfe, Betty Jean Collier, Jay Kendig, Marna Schultz, Major Williams, Charles Brailer, Evelyn Bean, Bill Diedrick, Percy Goody, Ann Hartsfield, Mary Louise Hanson, Mildred Layton, William Soloman, Margaret Wilding, Eleanor Wood, and Robert Pease.

Also Sally Cameron, Nancy Kendrick, Joyce Kidwell, Richard Petzhold, Shirley Smith, Ruth Bowman, Mary Ann Kifer, Judy Anderson, Ann Williams, Howard Roth, Pat Morrow, Marlita Scott, Tap Hubbel, Nina Bailey, Patti Gary, Betty Ballard, John Viedt, and John Edwards.

### Seniors Rate

Senior students making honors were John Campbell, Pat Frazier, Pat Leef, Lou Ann Leighton, John Linton, George Candish, Keith Donnellan, Donald Lashley, Dick Walker, Carol Cook, Betty McInerney, Ronnie Troxler, Joan Steward, Bob Hiedermann, Gay DeNike, John Brookbank, Ralf Peucker, Muriel Sandifer, Marilyn Archer, Betty Fox, Anita Haferman, Joan Haney, Joan Hedgecock, and Ann Swayzee.

Also Sher Lee Cheek, Peggy Davis, Nancy Leahy, Bertha Ann Shapley, Pat White, Joyce Atkinson, Pat Beall, Virginia Keller, Don Markle, Agnes Minick, Hilda Swartz, Regina Thomas, Joan Carl, Bob Merrick, Sue Patton, Betty Lou Woodworth, Betty Hicks, Joyce King, Shirley Brownfield, Betty Casper, Rosemarie Casper, Virginia Martin, Anita Payne, and Herbie Sehorn.

## French Exams Held

Seven students from Montgomery Blair High School competed in the French examinations held Saturday, April 2, at Wilson Teacher's College.

Sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French, the contest was on a nationwide basis. There is a prize for the winner, but its nature has not yet been revealed.

Blair students taking the exams from Miss Hazel Bratt's French I classes were Brian Crowley and Nick Lee. French II students participating were Keith Donnellan, Bertha Shapley, Peggy Davis, Susan Patton and Robert Heidman.

Tomorrow's the day  
For 1590, WOOK!

## Alumni Schedule Nuptials; Many Begin Careers

Joining the June bridal procession is Joyce Kephart '41, who is engaged to Bruce Whitmore '41. Joyce is a graduate of Michigan University and is now associated with the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Beltsville, Maryland. Her fiancé, a student at Maryland University, is majoring in sociology.

A September wedding is scheduled for Margaretta Bains, a sophomore at Maryland University, and Ken Tobin '41, who is employed with the National Sand and Gravel Association in Washington, D. C.

Another bride-to-be is Mildred Zaugg, whose engagement to Harold Schlosser was recently announced.

Lorraine Sears '48 and Lorenzo Schlosser '48 tied the knot at St. John's, Forest Glen, on Saturday, March 26.

### Nurses Capped

Shirley Workman and Nicky Nicholson recently ended their six-month probationary period as nurse trainees at Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore in a "capping" ceremony. Shirley, by the way, was elected president of the class by her fellow students.

Honored as one of nine pledges for Phi Sigma fraternity at Maryland University is Bill Simpson '47.

Appearing on the television screen twice weekly is Jimmy Spear '46, a student at Georgetown University, who has his own magic show and has appeared in many local entertainments.

Pat Hall '48 will also make television part of her career after completing a course in modeling in Washington, D. C.

And speaking of stars, Albert Janes '47 is now living in Carmel, California, just six blocks from Bing Crosby.

### Alumni Visit

Odette Werner '45 has been offered a position as bacteriologist after her graduation in June from Maryland University.

Seen about Blair's hallowed halls this past week were Peggy Sisler and Jean Hoyt, on spring vacation from Western Maryland, and Frank Richter from Cornell.

Also Jackie Runkle '46, a student observer in the English classes, and Jo Foster '46, who is majoring in chemistry.

## Md. Education Majors Begin Practice Teaching

Trying out at their prospective careers are six student teachers from Maryland University, who are practice teaching here this semester.

Miss Rita Widmayer, a Blair alumna, is working under Mrs. Ackerman and Mrs. Andrews in the Business Department; Miss Emma Crist in the English and French Departments; and Miss Marjorie Sprague with Mr. Basta in the Spanish Department. Also Mr. James Lynch and Mr. William Downs are working in the Physical Education Department, and Mr. LeRoy Marlowe in Wood Shop.

### Teach Classes

These teachers came to Blair at the beginning of the second semester and will remain for the rest of the school year, working three hours a day—two classes and one free period. They cooperate with the regular teachers in planning the course, but conduct classes themselves.

## Student Chorus Entertains Teachers

Priscilla Ridge, Joyce Atkinson, Sally Cameron, and Phyllis Harrison, members of the Montgomery Blair High School Student Chorus, represented the local school in the State Chorus, which was asked to sing on March 7 in Baltimore at the Eastern division of the National Music Educators' Conference.

The students were accompanied by Miss Cross, instructor in choral music at Blair, who is chairman of the Maryland State Chorus Committee for the Eastern Music Educators' conference.

### Guest Conductor

The State Chorus is an organization which meets every fall in conjunction with the Maryland State Teachers' Association Convention, in Baltimore City. Made up of about 300 high school students from all parts of the state and Baltimore City, the Chorus attend a three-day clinic at which the students are instructed in choral techniques. On the third evening, a concert is given, not only as entertainment, but also to show the results of this clinic. Many of the teachers sit in on the rehearsals.

In accordance with the custom of inviting a guest conductor each year, Dr. Luther W. Goodhart, Dean of Music Education, New York University, has consented to lead the group next fall. Dr. Lara Hoggard, one of the choral directors and coaches of Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians, led the group last year.

### Next Year's Program

The music, which has already been selected for the appearance of the Chorus next fall, includes "Cherubim Song, No. 7" by Bortinsky; "My Heart in a Silent Violin," by Fox; "The Orchestra Song," arranged by E. S. Schuman; "O Victorious People," by Gaines, and "It Cannot Be a Strange Country," by Pepper.

During the late spring and early fall, try-out clinics will be held at different central locations in the state for participation in next

year's chorus. Grading for Chorus participation is on the basis of (1) knowing the music (2) singing in tune (3) having a good voice (4) being innately interested (5) having good diction (6) experience in choral music.

Students selected for participation in the State Chorus may not be in a grade lower than sophomores, and preference is given to juniors and seniors.

### Same Program March 7

Students from Blair that attended the Chorus last fall were Priscilla Ridge, Joyce Atkinson, Joan Luckner, Pat Lamb, seniors; and Sally Cameron, Phyllis Harrison, and Benarr Shannon, juniors.

The program for the March 7 appearance was the same as for the fall appearance with Dr. Lara Hoggard again the conductor.

## Sympathy

To Mrs. Hazel Collins, former head of Blair's commercial department, and to Eileen and Buzzy, *Silver Chips* offers sincerest sympathy on the loss of their husband and father, Mr. Guy Collins.

## Senior Play Chosen

The Late Christopher Bean, by Sidney Howard has been chosen as the senior play for this year, with the tentative dates set for the 12th and 13th of May.

The play, a semi-comedy, has four women and five men in the cast. The setting is New England. The unfolding is odd and amusing and beneath it all is seen the abiding love of Abby for the departed Christopher Bean.

### Amusing Comedy

Overwhelming was the surprise of the Haggett family upon finding that the pictures of Bean, left to pay a doctor's bill are worth a fortune. A mad scramble ensues with amusing and startling results.



**Her diligence  
helped save  
a life**

The woman had tried again and again to reach a doctor. Her husband was critically ill. Their family doctor was performing an operation and could not come. She had called several others, without success.

Seconds later, the telephone operator who had placed the calls called the woman and offered to help. Five minutes later she called back and told her a doctor was on the way. He arrived within ten minutes, diagnosed the case and ordered the man to the hospital for an immediate operation.

This story was told in a letter written to the telephone company by the stricken man. Here's how the letter — and the story — ended:

"At present, I am recuperating at home from the operation. I was very much impressed with the courtesy and cool-headedness shown by your operator in this case. If she had not been so considerate, I doubt that I would be here now to write this note of thanks. I wish you would extend to the young lady my heartfelt thanks and undying gratitude."

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## Blazers Name Nine To Open Season; Diedrich Manages

Baseball is here again and "the team looks pretty good," says Manager Bill Diedrich, "but it is hard to say what will happen on the diamond."

Boys who constitute the team are pitchers Victor Jungk, Delmar Taylor, Ricky Harrison, Gordon North, Ernie Clifford, and Walt Mason. Catching are John Kennedy, and Bob Appleby. At first base are Chuck Richards, and Douglas Ray. Second base are Johnny Ford and Jimmie Williams. At short stop are seen Frank Simons and Ray Luckett. On third base are Johnny Linton and Bill Tompkins. Scattered about the outfield can be seen Bob Bankard, Jim Daly, Walt Chamblin, Bobby Theofield, and Johnny Spence.

### Schedule Already Underway

The team is coached by Mr. Kulakowski.

Head Manager is Bill Diedrich, assisted by George Tolson and David Walker.

The schedule for this season, which began last Tuesday, is as follows:

April	5 Tue.	Wilson	Away
	8 Fri.	Wash. & Lee	Away
	11 Mon.	Western	Away
	12 Tue.	Coolidge	Away
	22 Fri.	Gonzaga	Home
	26 Tue.	Fredrick	Away
	29 Fri.	B. C. C.	Home
May	3 Tue.	Gaithersburg	Home
	3 Fri.	Hagerstown	Away
	6 Tue.	Pending	Away
	13 Fri.	St. Johns	Home
	17 Tue.	Georgetown	Prep.
			Home
	20 Fri.	B. C. C.	Away
	25 Wed.	Bladensburg	Away

### Lose Opener!

Tuesday afternoon Blair conceded to Wilson 3-2, with Chuck Richards accounting for both of the Blazers' tallies.

The game went overtime by one inning. Ernie Clifford pitched the first seven innings giving up one hit, striking out six and walking six. Walt Mason pitched the eighth, giving up two hits.

Johnny Ford made three hits for four times at bat. Blair got seven hits, while Wilson made only three.

## "Where's Charley"

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This somewhat intricate plot, which was the original play, "Charley's Aunt," merely is the framework upon which Comedian-extraordinaire Bolger and lyricist Frank Loesser (who composed "I Don't Want to Walk without You, Baby," among many other hits) have built a really delightful show.

Although the Blair delegates are murdering only "Once in Love with Amy," the rest of the nation is singing and listening to "My Darling, My Darling" and "The New Ashmolean Marching Society and Students' Conservatory Band."

The dances, directed by George Balanchine, were beautiful, particularly the Brazilian number, "Pernambuco." The sets and costumes were effectively done by David Folkes. The climax of the show was the magnificent scene, "Once in Love with Amy," during which Bolger directs the audience in singing the lyrics of the song. Once you are in love with Ray Bolger, as apparently were the audience, including Blair's delegates, you'll never forget him.

## Blair Journeys To Alexandria

Under Coach Reno Continetti's direction, Blair's track team will participate in the Alexandria Relays. The meet will be held at George Washington High School and will begin at 1:00 p. m.

Second in Blair's schedule of eight meets, the event includes a medley relay, a two-mile, and a four-mile relay. Many schools from Washington and the surrounding area have been entered in the contest.

### Prospects Numerous

So far, Jimmy Downs, Bob Cushman, Kevin Conroy, and John Brookbank have shown promise in the 100-yard and 220-yard events. Baynard Cherrix, Jerry Swinner-ton, Chuck Armstrong, and Joe Frankenberger are developing into the Blazer's candidates for the 440-yard race. In the distance department Bob Nesbitt, Roland Jones, and Joe Swafford will handle the half-mile run, while featured in the mile will be Bill Chapin, Charles Brailer, and Carlton Clark.

Harry Ingram, Bob Teale, John Davis, Jimmy Downs, and Baynard Cherrix have been doing high and broad jumping during practice sessions. Others participating in field events are Bill Mess and Ed Robins, who will hurl the discus and put the shot.

### Plan New Track

Plans have been made for a quarter-mile track to be built on the athletic field with the straight-away due for completion this year. Other improvements for the team include hurdles and a polevaulting box built by the shop, and the purchase of a pole and twenty new uniforms.

One highlight of the season's schedule is the trip on April 29 to Cumberland, where the Blazers will meet Fort Hill. The journey is to be an all-day affair with dinner for the team after the meet.

The Blazer's track schedule is as follows:

March 31	-----	Georgetown Prep
		(Postponed)
April 9	-----	Alexandria Relays
April 12	-----	Sidwell Friends
April 29	-----	Fort Hill
May 7	-----	Maryland Invitational
May 13	-----	Wilson Invitational
May 18	-----	Calvin Coolidge
May 27	-----	State Meet

## Chances to Teach

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records are checked for eligibility. If he is eligible for admission, he may take the scholarship exam.

### To St. John's

Also open to boys is a scholarship to St. John's College, Annapolis, and to girls, one to St. Mary's Female Seminary, and for both there are scholarships to the Maryland Institute of Art Night School. Applicants for these likewise must take the examinations on May 7, at Rockville.

### Lions Plan Contest

Plans are well advanced for a 1949 District 22-C Band and Major-ette Contest with the award for the winning band and team of majorettes to be an all-expense trip to the Lions International Convention in New York during July this year.

### OVERHEARD AT THE VICE-VERSA

Sam Senior: "You surely are a good dancer."

Girl: "Thank you, but I can't return the compliment."

Sam: "You could if you were as big a liar as I am."

## Blair Racquet Men Match Geo. Prep

The tennis team is getting under way, sponsored by Mr. E. V. Rhodes.

Of the group of fifteen boys who came out, there has been no cuts as yet.

### Play Georgetown Prep

Wednesday they were scheduled to play Georgetown Prep. Although plans call for a schedule of ten or twelve matches, there have been no other definite dates set.

To get his letter a boy must play at least six matches and come out regularly for practice, which will be in progress every evening at the Meadowbrook Courts.

## Riflemen Successful

Blair's riflemen have had a successful season winning all but two or three of their matches.

The spark plug for the riflemen is Rick Waters, who won the Middle Atlantic Junior Rifle championship with a score of 187 out of 200 points.

### Defeat Md. U. Frosh

Blair has had two matches with Maryland U. Freshmen. The first they won by 13 points, the second match was taken by M. U. Freshmen by 10 points.

In the first M. U. match, George Tolson of Blair edged out Maryland's Heddon by firing 274 out of 300 against Heddon's 269 out of 300. This made Blair's eighth straight win.

### Shine in Postal Matches

In the team's postal match record they have only one black mark.

The boys have worked hard this year and have earned their recognition as an up-and-coming team.

## Lights Burn Late!

The clock in the hall is nearing 6:30 and lights at Blair are still bright even if the remaining students aren't.

Their purpose? Why to issue this paper, natch! "Why is so long a time needed," you ask. (That's the same thing members of the staff ask themselves and each other.) But here's a tug at an explanation of putting a paper together, piece by piece.

Reporters scant around the buildings and throughout the grounds to see what Blairites are about, jotting notes as they go. Newstories and feature, sports and editorials, pictures, cartoons, and whatever else is on hand go into the plans of that issue.

Hours are spent juggling headlines and arranging make-up. After the paper has finally been assembled and put into print, there are pasting of the dummy, reading of galley and page proofs to be done, and finally circulation.

Then to hear of all the sins of our newspaper! Oh, no!!!

## Life on a Luxury Liner

Number 37 certainly does lead quite a life!

Every day about 7:40 it starts its daily routine way out near Glenmont. By the time 37 arrives at Woodside Manor Apartments on Georgia Avenue, the poor thing is really packed. Then ten more people proceed to climb onto it.

"Three in every seat," Preston, the driver, shouts. "Move back!"

Then the last fellas to get on bus decide to get on the bus-and in a hurry! So they all give a big push, and what do you know, every one is packed in—vacuum

## With Bob on the Blair Bench

By Bob Williams

*Note: Because the erstwhile Boys' Sports Editor failed to produce any copy for this issue with no advance notice to the Staff, "With Bob on the Blair Bench," of last week, is being used by permission of the Bethesda RECORD to take the place of the usual "Sports News and Interviews" by Paul Taggart.*

We are now in the horse latitudes, as far as school sports are concerned; in the doldrums, as it were. That is, we are in a state of dullness, torpor, characterized by light, baffling winds.

Basketball is over, but baseball is just being ushered in to take its place, along with track, tennis and golf. The rifle team continues to win victories with great regularity, but that is all.

The track team practices, the tennis team practices, the baseball team practices. As far as I know, the golf team hasn't been picked yet, so they don't ever practice. The other day a group of Blair's most energetic athletic heroes were reduced to playing leap-frog during lunch period and otherwise gamboling about on the campus. A race was started in which one man (I use the term loosely) stands upright, while his partner is inverted running on his hands, with his legs held by the upright one. Baldy Mess and Morgan

Wooten (inverted) raced Chuck Richards and Bobby Theofield (inverted); Bob Cushman was the official starter. Baldy and Morgan (inverted) won, while Chuck ran a little too fast and fell upon Bobby, (inverted), and apparently broke four or five of his ribs, from the look on Bobby's face. The vast, cheering crowd was relieved to find that Bobby had only had his breath knocked out and bruised a few ribs. Undaunted by their defeat, and stirred on by the crowd roaring "re-match," Bobby (inverted) and Chuck challenged Baldy and Morgan (inverted) to another race, but the bell rang then, just as Ricky Harrison suggested a game of leap-frog.

The tennis team, under the supervision of Mr. E. Rhodes, has been practicing at Meadowbrook recently, the weather permitting.

The team has swelled to about 12 members since the first fall match with Georgetown Prep, whom they again face on April 6.

## Q and S Initiates 16

Sixteen students, who were elected to Quill and Scroll last fall, were initiated into the society on Thursday afternoon, March 24.

Quill and Scroll, the International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, was established at Blair four years ago. Fifty-seven students have become members since that date. Blair's chapter was named the Quentin Reynold's chapter, for the outstanding work he did as a war correspondent.

Membership is based on four points. First, the student must have done outstanding work in some phase of journalistic work or creative writing. Secondly, he must be in upper third of his high school graduating class. They must thirdly, be recommended by the advisor or by the committee governing publications. Fourth, they must be approved by the executive secretary.

### Awards for Paper, Yearbook

Silverlogue members receiving their gold Quill and Scroll pins from Mrs. Alma Marshall, advisor, were Pat Wheeler, Pat Hamilton, Bettie Gleim, Joe Miller, Roland Jones, Charlotte McHorney and Lee Keotzle.

Mrs. Lucille Moler bestowed membership pins upon Jessie Pickett, Joyce King, Pat Steele, Pat White, Bette Gill, Sylvia Reed, Peggy Davis, Joan Hattersley, and Margaret Crum for their work on Silver Chips.

packed, it seems. These poor sardines who are standing have no room to place their books, or lunches either, so Howard Roth, that lucky boy who is squished between two other fellas on the first seat, gets to hold all the books on his lap. They are always piled up to his chin, and sometimes higher! And lucky Don DeMott gets to hold the lunches. Maybe some day we will get the same lunch back that was given to him!

The calmest of the 67 people, or should I say sardines, is Mitchell Parsons, who believes in giving us all a treat (?) by singing (?).

Have you ever ridden a school bus? If not, you are really missing something!

## FTA Molds Meeting

The Lucile Appleby Chapter of the "Future Teachers of America," a new organization at Montgomery Blair to interest students in the field of teaching, had its first meeting, March 21.

A dinner meeting was held at Miss Appleby's home, after which officers were elected. Priscilla Varney was chosen as President; Patty Levendoski, Vice-president; Shirley Graham, Secretary; and Harry Ingram, Treasurer.

### Future Plans

The club plans to meet once a month. The program chairman is arranging a series of meetings devoted to the discussion of opportunities and problems in teaching, with speakers to be announced later.

A picnic with the Damascus club is being arranged for the near future as a feature of the social program of the group.

## County Press Tourney Plans April Contest

The Montgomery County Scholastic Press Tournament at Damascus High School on April 23 will be attended by eight Blair students and Mrs. Lucille Moler, advisor of Silver Chips.

Blair contestants will be Andy Russo and Ann Musselwhite in the editorial field, Charles Brailer and Mary Louise Hanson in news-writing, Lynn Fraser and Joan Hattersly, in the feature classification, and Bob Williams and Ralph Dewhirst in sportswriting.

In addition to the contest, clinics are on the program.

### Blair To Sponsor Debate

Each of the competing schools sponsors one part of the program. Blair's job being the editorial contest. Plans are under way to present a debate on a subject of interest to all County schools.

Judges and prizes will be furnished by the Montgomery County Press Association.

## Answers to Personality Quiz

- A—John Kennedy
- B—Joan Hedgecock
- C—John Davis
- D—Janice Patton
- E—Jack Dorsee



# Silver Chips

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## Diedrich Heads Student Body; Chapin Assists

Bill Diedrich, newly-elected president of the Student Council, will assume his duties July 1. Bill Chapin, vice-president elect, will assist him.

Bea Shaw is the newly-chosen secretary, and Charles Crum, treasurer, will handle the financial affairs.

### Diedrich Active at Blair

Bill, active in Blair since his sophomore year, will captain the cheerleaders next year, and would have been chairman of the Dance Committee, had he not been elected to head council.

With Anne Swayzee as his campaign manager, he was chosen from a field of five candidates, Harry Ingram, Bill Stimpson, Beverley Alexander, Bill Chapin, and himself.

Other nominees included Charlene Kreh, Carol Funk, Jo Ann Wheeler, and Betty Whittaur for secretary; and Connie LeRoy, Jimmy Denny, Louis Coty, and Walt Mason for treasurer.

### Campaign Assembly Unusual

Campaign speeches and stunts were given during the campaign assembly Wednesday, June 1. Nancy MacInnerney and Lulu Hogan added a touch of the unique as they paraded through the gym in bathing suits, bearing a large "Crum for Treasurer" banner. Anne Swayzee added a further bit of originality as she led Gay De Nike, Joan Hover, and Barbara MacCollum in a cheer for her candidate, Bill Diedrich.

Earlier last month, the legislature, in a special meeting, nominated twelve candidates for each office, after the student body failed to show an interest in the election. Primaries were then held, which resulted in the nomination of the five candidates for each office.

When Bill learned of his election, his first remark to Bill Chapin was, "We'll work together."

## Mr. Shaw Noted As Educator

Mr. Daryl Shaw, principal of Blair for the last three years, has recently been elected president of the Montgomery County Education Association, one more step in his rapid rise in educational leadership.

Serving five years as a high school teacher and athletic coach after graduating from Pennsylvania's State Teachers' College, he later secured a M.A. degree from Duke University and is now studying for his doctorate at George Washington University.

### Served Three Schools as Principal

Mr. Shaw had served three years as principal of Damascus, four years as principal of Richard Montgomery and a short term of service in the Navy before coming to Blair as vice-principal. When Mr. Douglass, the former principal, was promoted to assistant superintendent of education, Mr. Shaw was named to succeed him, by popular request of the faculty.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw have two sons and one daughter all of whom attend the Rockville Elementary School.

### Interested in Athletics

Ever since his coaching days Mr. Shaw has been interested in athletics and has showed this in active participation of student faculty games and by attending the regular scheduled games. In his own playing days he considered basketball his specialty.

Outsiders have often mistaken him for one of the senior class members because of his youthful appearance. However, this appearance is more than skin deep as he is able to understand the pupil's side as well as that of the adult and frequently personally works on a student's individual problem.

A firm believer in pupil participation in educational planning, Mr. Shaw has strongly supported all such activities and the promotion of student responsibility in the Student Council program.

## Junior Query: 'Why Do Seniors Cry?'



## Eastern Star Honors Talley, Roth for Music

Arion Foundation Awards, sponsored by the Silver Spring Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, were presented to Howard Roth for his Orchestra work and Winfield Talley for work in the Band.

The awards were received at the Blair Band's third annual Night of Music on Friday, June 3 at 8 o'clock in the Blair stadium. The results of elections of next year's majorette captain, Joan Hubbel; band master, Nick Lee, his assistant Willie Poole, and Orchestra master, Howard Roth, were announced. All senior members of the band and majorettes were awarded letters.

### Directed by Mr. Messerole

Included in the program were the Band, Majorette Corps, Blair Orchestra, and soloists, under the direction of Mr. Harrison T. Messerole.

After the intermission there was a piano solo by Carol Funk, and Jeanne Rembert, violinist, was featured in the "March of the Little Tin Soldiers."

Ten members of the majorettes and fifty members of the band will participate today at 2:30 in the Lions Club Contest, in which only high school bands and majorettes can perform. The schools will be judged on their ability and performance.

### Trip to New York Offered

The winners will be given a four-day trip to New York, expenses paid by the club. Plans have been made for a parade down Fifth Avenue, tours of the city, including Radio City, Times-Square and Chinatown.

The Night of Thrills will be presented tonight at Griffith Stadium with all majorettes and band members present. The group plans a big showing for the event.

On Memorial Day, May 30, the band and majorettes performed for

## Class of '49 to End High School Career With 3 Class Functions

### Baccalaureate Service, Banquet Graduation Mark Year's Close

Blair's Class of '49 will mark the end of its high school career with three class functions, the senior banquet, baccalaureate service, and on June 21, the graduation exercises.

Commencement, which is the last of the three, will be held at the Silver Theater and will begin at 9:30 a. m. Mr. James

Gill, a member of the Board of Education and father of Betty Gill, is to present the diplomas.

Pat Leef, George Candish, and Ann Swayzee have been selected by their classmates to deliver the commencement speeches, which will cover various phases on the topic, "Contrasts in Education".

### Honor Students to Speak

The valedictorian and salutatorian (whose names were not available at press time) will deliver the welcome and the class farewell. Valedictorianship goes to the student who received the highest grades throughout the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades.

Admission to the graduation will be by ticket only, with each senior allotted three tickets, two for reserved seats and one for general admission.

### 276 to Graduate

Of the 276 diplomas scheduled for presentation, 148 will be general, 98 academic, 28 commercial, and 2 vocational.

Miss Marian Schwartz, who is in charge of the commencement, said that three boys are to receive commercial diplomas and pointed out that this is a very high number compared with the last few years. The boys are John Kennedy, Thomas Prevo, and Wilmer Trageser.

Blair's 1949 Senior Banquet will be held in the Hamilton Hotel's Gold Room next Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. Senior homeroom teachers will attend as guests of their homerooms.

### Worship in Silver Spring

The graduating class will worship on Sunday, June 19, at 4:30 p. m. in the Baccalaureate service which this year will be held at the Memorial Methodist Church of Silver Spring in accordance with the tradition of alternating service between Takoma Park and Silver Spring churches.

Grades closed yesterday for seniors, and their classes end day, with next week devoted to practice for commencement and baccalaureate exercises. Rehearsals are planned for each day except Thursday.

Classes end for the tenth and eleventh grades next Friday. Contrary to the practice of previous years, reports will be mailed home to all students, who are required to furnish stamped, self-addressed envelopes to their homeroom teachers for the purpose.

## Choral, Vocal Class To Present Recitals

Blair choral and vocal class directed by Miss Mary Cross, will present recitals tonight and Monday evening at eight in the library and music room respectively.

Tonight's program includes such numbers as "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "Trees" by the choruses. Phillis Harrison and Mary Marsh will play piano solos. There will be special group numbers and solos. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

The vocal recital on Monday evening will include two solos by each of the nine members of the class, including "Ave Maria" and "April Morn."

## Book Presentation Highlights Final Awards Session; 12 Get Monograms

### Attention All Seniors!

Any '49 graduate interested in obtaining *Silver Chips* next year may do so by filling in the form below. Joan Baker and Betty Howard will be in the main office 3rd period on Tuesday and Thursdays to take your orders.

The price of the subscription will be \$1.30, including mailing costs.

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation of the Harvard Book Award highlighted the final awards assembly of the year this afternoon. Details were a surprise to everyone—including the *Chips* staff.

Monograms were awarded by Mr. Shaw to Jackie Steele, Elaine Handabaka, Joyce King, Pat White, Keith Donellan, Donald Lashly, Barbara MacCollum, Pat Leef, Mary Raines, Pat Steele, Carol Whitt and John Linton.

Receiving tennis letters from Mr. E. Rhodes were Ralph Peuker, Dan Levine, James Sanborn, Bill Solomon, Ronald Morris, and John Edwards.

Robert Wolfe, Hugh McLaughlin, Charles James, John Eagleton, Lloyd Kelley, and William Foy were awarded golf letters by Mr. Pyles.

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## A-You're Adorable-Ohhh! George!



Joan Carl



George Candish

To begin with, like most people, Joan was born. It all happened in the great state (to quote Joan) of Pennsylvania, December 6, 1930.

When asked how she likes Blair, Miss Carl just smiled, as only she can smile, and said, "Fine, just fine".

Acting is the main ambition of Blair's beautiful "Queen." Stage, screen, radio, who's particular She plans to enter Catholic University to study drama.

As for a perfect date, Joan Constance Carl admits there's that certain fellow! As Joan says, "He's just tall, dark, and mighty handsome", and I might add a second year man at West Point (nuff said?).

Aside from acting, Don, collecting records, and modeling, Joan's pet passions are pink, steak, and ice cream (not together) and spaghetti.

As for historical events in Joan's life, there are but three, but very exciting—winning the title "Queen of Blair", the best looking girl in the senior class, and lest we forget the time she got lost in the woods and found the helping hand of the "Scouts" (how lucky can we be?).

Joan hasn't travelled much as yet, but she plans to travel as much as possible before she gets married.

The new staff of *Silver Chips* awards laurels to the ever faithful senior, Margaret Crum, who has devoted her inexhaustable talents in typing for our publication.

## Monty Blair's Memorable Memos

Dear Jane,

Graduation is almost here! Soon I'll be out in the big wide world. Gosh, but it doesn't seem possible my senior year could have gone so fast.

First of all—there was the football squad, captained by Ricky. We won 7 out of 9 games, and did our best to get sore yelling at the game where we won the county championship by beating "Barnes", 33-6!

Our basketball team was wonderful, too. They captured the county title in three games with the Barons, and also participated in the *Star* and State tournaments. The night games and pep rallies were tops, and we all went to the Hot Shoppe afterwards.

Although there were many assemblies, I liked the one sponsored by General Motors best—Boy, was it neat! They had a tiny miniature jet plane go shooting across the stage and a man had to catch it in a real thick mit.

April brought the annual Variety

Don't fret, girls, I haven't forgotten about the best looking boy in the senior class. Now as for George, he was born, too—in Grand Island, Nebraska, August 10, 1931.

George Wallace Candish lived in Ohio, where he attended Worchester High School and finally in 1947 he enlightened the fair community of Silver Spring with his presence and chose Blair as his school.

George's likes are the friendly atmosphere of Blair, the color royal blue, and blondes about 5'8" with a good figure, good personality, real pretty blue eyes and a disposition that makes them easy to get along with. His pet peeves are limited to conceited people, and teachers who pile on homework. (He couldn't mean Blair teachers?)

George, like Joan, hasn't any definite plan for the future. He may, as he bluntly puts it, "Marry a rich widow, or just a plain but beautiful and gorgeous, blonde, who likes to dance in the moonlight to a real smooth orchestra (Oh! I forgot to mention, she can pay for it, too), or he might even continue playing (?) his drums in a dance band, or continue eating his favorite food, steak and french fries (what! all your life?) or, just continue living (any resemblance to a bum is purely coincidental, and I might add, you can blame it all on his friend (?) Don Arminger. I interviewed George via Don—the above result.

But seriously, George is a great guy, a member of the Band, Library Club, Student Council, and Dance Committee.

Show with Tip and Tap Hubbel, teachers, and the hilariously funny Debonairs!

The Late Christopher Bean, presented by the seniors, was a complete success.

Blairites have had a terrific amount of awards given them, national, regional, and just everything you can think of!

The Vice-versa was cute, the Christmas Formal, wonderful, and the Prom, something I'll never forget.

To round out the year we have had beach parties galore, hayrides, surprise parties, open houses, slumber parties, and in between times we've even done our homework!

It has really been a wonderful year—one that will be in our memories forever.

Well, I guess that's all for now. Everyone is rustling around getting ready for commencement, and I should, too.

Love,

Monty

## "Secret Device" Spies on Seniors

June 9—Zoo-om-m! June 10—Zoo-om-m! Goodness, just watch those days fly by. It won't be long now. No, in just a few days, Blair's beloved seniors will be donning their caps and gowns for that last memorable day, but, although graduation is important, their constructive minds are gazing farther into the future. They are not just thinking about their ambitions either, because every day at 12:00 p. m. the cafeteria is simply buzzing with discussions of secret hopes and longings.

To give you an idea of what the class of '49 is thinking, the following remarks were secured by a special, secret device known as eaves-dropping.

Frank Simons—gonna sell all my trophies and retire  
Ronnie Troxler—try to catch a man in law school

John Ford and Chuck Richards—continue football at Notre Dame  
Joanne Taylor—run a bachelors' home

Danny Lyons—Go to Arabia and be an Arabian Knight working for Standard Oil Co.

Betty Gleim—continue wrestling at Uline.

Hugh McLaughlin—take Ben Hogan's place (in the hospital?)

Genny Coe—be an old maid for two years.

Lee Koetzle—going to college in Detroit for two years (any connection?)

Eileen Collins—go North to be assistant coach at Syracuse

Eddie Robbins—I'm just destined to paint portraits of beautiful women

Gay DeNike and Joan Hover—open a burlesque theatre with "Feathers" Thomas, "Bubbles" Markle, and "Choo-choo" Robbins, also starring "Mess of the seven veils."

Vic Jungk—guess I'll be bat boy for the Washington Senators

"Bones" Jones—I'm going to chase girls—Owo-o-o!

Sally Curry—all I want is a car; then who cares?

Warren Russel—drive on the Indianapolis speedway in my '41 Plymouth

Gordon North—I'll design a pneumatic coaxial slugline (huh?)

Ann Brown—Oh, to be assistant laboratory technician for my dentist!

John Kennedy—captain of ping-pong team at Slippery Rock

Bob Alexander—retire on my millions (of what?)

## Alumni Notes

### Grads Make Grade

Bob Finzel, '48, a business and public administration student, has been elected to Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Results of the spring election list Ann Livingstone '48 as treasurer of the Sophomore Class, and Elizabeth Smith '47 as treasurer of the Women's League.

Members of the University's Gymkana group, the only one of its kind in the Eastern area, are Joan Mitchell '47 and Rae Davis '48.

### BOOK PRESENTATION

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Commercial awards were presented by Mrs. Ackerman. Agnes Minick received certificates for both typing and shorthand. Other award winners were Genevieve Coe and Gloria Rausch for typing over sixty words a minute in a series of tests, Pat Beall and Betty LaMont for shorthand; Nancy Kendrick, Pat Gary, Lurene Smith, and Judy Thompson for Typing I.

## Tap's Choosey Chit Chat

The closing of the school year is drawing nigh mid a setting of delicious, sunny days, and is ushering in a multitude of proms, parties, and beach excursions—

After the Junior-Senior Prom Saturday night, Margaret Engel threw an open house. Seen there were Ed Chapin and Betty Howard, Joe Downs and Joan Baker, Joyce Duvall and Bob Finzel, Joan Hover and Bob Thompson, Vic Jungk and Ann Williams, Shirley Graham and Tommy Troxler, Joan Hedgecock and Harry Lockwood, Sylvia Reed and Bob Theofield, Barbara McCollum and John Ford, Bill Mess and Eileen Collins, Muriel Sandifer and Roy Routt, Chuck Richards and Evelyn Bean, and many, many, many others.

There were party doings at Bea Shaw's house also, with Tommy Watlington, Don Bell and Peggy Holt, Chuck Cummings and Toni McNickle, Bud Wilson and Sue Scotton, Dwight Smith and Mickey Robbins, Shirley Robbins and Jim Bader, and Betty Pemberton and date.

A few of those breakfasting at "Mo" Sandifer's late Saturday night, or maybe it was very early Sunday morning, were Roy Routt, Eileen Collins and Bill Mess, Bett Gill and Johnny Theofield, Sylvia Reed and Bob Theofield, Joan Hedgecock and Harry Lockwood, Joan Hover and Bob Thompson, Gay DeNike and Pete Bell, Jessie Pickett and Volney Schultz, Nancy Vickers and Dave Gardner, Ronnie Troxler and Stanley Scaife.

Heading for *Daves* on the Bay Sunday morning were Johnny Linton and Sue Mitchell, George Candish and Joan Wright, and Don Armiger and Priscilla Ridge.

Sunday and Monday saw Marlita Scott, Sara Pryor, Carol Funk, Aimee Johannes, John Wright, Bill Chapin, Ed Chapin, Charles Landenberger, Joe Downs, Joan Baker, Anne Brown, Luanne Walker, Danny Lyons, Dick Keller, Alice John-

son, Betty Gene Collier, Frank Collier, and Dorothy Kelso, members of the M. Y. F. group, at Kenwood Beach.

At Beverley Beach were Billy Albright and Bette Howard, Dick Cline and Ruth Cox, Nanci McCaleb and Ray Jackson, Janice Patton and Jimmy Downs, and only a few "million" others.

Picnicking at Brighton Monday were Phyllis Harrison and Bob Pease, Connie Turney and Bill Solomon, Tip Hubbel, Dick Fene and yours truly.

Going back a few weeks, Bill Chapin and Marlita Scott did some conspiring and came up with a surprise party for Eleanor Wood on May 14. Surprising were Harry Ingram and Jackie Steele, Johnny Eagleton and Sara Pryor, Harry Carroll and Evelyn Bean, Rick Waters and Marlita Scott, Chuck Armstrong and Miriam Thompson, Jimmy Downs and Janice Patton.

Another very surprised person was Lee Koetzle when yelling "Surprise!" were Jenny Coe, Joyce Duvall and Bob Finzel, Dottie Shepherd and Frank Lupac. Patty Gary and Tony Chemise, Joan Wright and George Candish, Peggy Davis and Dick Walker, Bob Lunow and Frankie Farrar, Evelyn Bean and Danny Lambert, Priscilla Ridge and Bob Teale, Joanne Taylor and Dave Feldman.

Now to the long list of beach parties that have been and will be. First were the sections who got there "firstest with the mostest" in the various contests during the year. Lounging, swimming and boating on the 31st were Miss Wood's 12-4 section, Mr. Hinkley's 11-9, and Mr. Horn's 12-2 at Beverley Beach and Mrs. Holloway's 11-8 at Breezy Point.

On the fourth, Mr. Hampstead's 11-4 and the Home Ec Club were headed for Breezy Point and Beverley respectively. The Junior Tri-Hi-Y will be off to Ann Gummel's grandfather's swimming pool.

## Your School Will Miss You!

About this time, most seniors all over the country are suddenly becoming aware of how much they're going to miss their schools after they leave. But have you Blair seniors thought how much your school is going to miss you?

As individuals, you leave behind many friends. As a class, you have been the leaders in student government, sports, and clubs this year, and your contributions will not soon be forgotten.

And so although the underclassmen are saying a goodbye that is sad because you're leaving, they're very glad that you've been here. They wish you all the happiness and success life has to offer anyone—and then some. And they resolve that as long as they're at Blair it will be kept the kind of a school that you can be proud to call your *alma mater*.

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## Mrs. Ardayne To Publish Book of Poems

Mrs. Julia C. Ardayne, Spanish, English, and Latin teacher here at Blair, recently announced the coming publication of a book of poems called "Prismatic Windows."

The collection is one of all her poems previously published. Mrs. Ardayne hopes to have "Prismatic Windows" out in time for the Christmas sales.

Another book, "Sudden Light in the West," has been started, and contains longer, unpublished poems.

Many of Mrs. Ardayne's poems may be seen in the *New York Times*, *Contemporary Poetry*, *American Poetry Journal*, *Parents' Magazine*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Ladies' Home Journal*, and the *Indianapolis News*.

Born in Indiana, Mrs. Ardayne transferred to the University of Chattanooga and specialized in Spanish. After teaching English for two years she enrolled at Columbia University, and received a bachelor of arts in Spanish, master of arts in English, and a graduate degree in educational research as director and supervisor of secondary school curriculum.

### Notes on the News

## Blairites Appear in Local Productions; Joan Wright Wins Essay Contest

The tenth grade's own affair, the "Sophomore Tacky Party," was given Friday, May 13, in the gymnasium with decorations to suit the season.

Besides dancing and such games as ping-pong, cards, and checkers, they had a short program. Charles Crum, master of ceremonies, presented to Mr. Leonard Oass and Mr. John Walker, advisers, gifts from the Sophomore Class in appreciation for the help they have given them the past year.

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Summer school, this year, will be only for those students failing in a major subject. As the summer session was not designed to accelerate graduation and the State law requires four years attendance in high school for graduation, students needing only one or two credits for graduation at the close of the junior year will not be admitted to summer school to earn credits to graduate in August, except under exceptional circumstances. Any language courses offered are for review only.

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The Young People of Grace Episcopal Church gave the three-act comedy, "Twixteen", on May 21, 1949. Included in the cast were Mary Lou Hanson, Elizabeth Cave, John Thompson, Nancy Pederson, John Membert and Bea Shaw.

## Fr. Ambassador Presents Awards

No less a person than Ambassador Bonnet of France presented medals to the winners in the competitive French examinations given on April 2.

Among the twenty-four prize winners from as many different public, private, and parochial schools of the District area, was Nick Lee, Blair junior, who placed third in competition with fifty other French I students.

The meeting, held at American University's Hurst Hall on May 24, was presided over by Madame Strong, of Chevy Chase Junior College, who assisted Ambassador Bonnet in the presentation of awards. A talk in French by Ambassador Bonnet was a part of the program. He told of conditions in France and the help rendered by the Marshall Plan, and expressed his hope for world-wide understanding.

Sponsored by the National French Association of America, the contest included divisions for junior high as well as French I, II, III, and IV students. All together there were about 250 contestants.

Blairites participating in the contest included, besides Nick, Keith Donnellan, Bertha Shapely, Peggy Davis, Susan Patton, and Robert Heidman.

Joan Wright was announced this week the first place winner of the Rotary Club essay contest open to Montgomery Blair High students of all three grades, with Charles Matthews and Phyllis Harrison having written the second and third best entries, respectively.

On the subject, "Logical Procedure in Vocation Education and Career Planning," the essays were 500 to 1,000 words in length. All three of the contest winners were guests of the Rotary Club at luncheon June 1.

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For the second consecutive year the P. T. A. in cooperation with the school entertained the Montgomery County Press Association at luncheon, June 3, in the Home Economics Department.

The meeting was presided over by the president of the association, Mr. Bryon Sedgwick, known to local readers of the *Maryland News* as Wick Bryon. Representing the P. T. A. and Blair were Mr. George W. Pryor, past president; Mr. Daryl Shaw, principal; Mrs. Alma Marshall and Mrs. Lucille Moler, publication advisers. Bob Alexander represented the student body.

Several Variety Show acts provided the entertainment and the luncheon was prepared and served by the Home Arts classes under the direction of Mrs. Henrietta Hinken and Mrs. Borss.

## Honor System Changes; Lists Become Shorter

When reports came out May 12, the honor lists were considerably shorter because all students, since the beginning of the fifth term, must maintain an A or B average in all subjects including minors, to make the honor list.

Sophomores who achieved this honor were Polly Alexander, Charlene Brocklet, Margie Hardy, Billie Jess, Elizabeth Smith, Nancy Stang, Marilyn Leonhardt, Grace Neely, Patsy Bomgardner, Louis Cote, Carol Funk, Charlene Kreh, Bill McNaughton, Joan Membert, Ruth Benson, Nancy Flynn, Lula Hogan, Alice Warfield, Connie LeRoy, Joe Mendum.

Also Courtney Murphy, Jeanne Rembert, Joyce Wareing, Marie Binot, Carlton Clark, Donald Gray, Robert Grutzik, Katherine McDonald, Joseph Swafford, Judy White, Oswaldo Castro, Harold Hanson, Judith Davis, Mabel Vickers, Lillian Potts, and James Stone.

### Fewer Juniors

The juniors were Brian Crowley, Joyce Duvall, Ed Hunter, Nick Lee, Pat Parkman, Marcia Flickinger, Janet Frocke, Joan Smith, Betty Gene Collier, Jay Kendig, Major Williams, Charles Brailer, Bill Diedrich, Herbert Duey, Percy Goody, Eleanor Wood, Dick Waters, Nancy Kendrick, Joyce Kidwell, Dick Fene, Pat Fermel, Jackie Steele.

Judy Anderson, Ruth Bauman, Mary Ann Kifer, Marlita Scott, Pat Morrow, Mary Lasher, Tap Hubbel, Patti Gary, Howard Roth, John Viedt, John Selby, John Eagleton, John Edwards, Fred Everett, Barbara Thompson, and Mona Jess.

### Forty-three Seniors

Seniors on the list were Sher Lee Cheek, Keith Donnellan, Donald Lashley, Richard Nichols, Richard Walker, Betty McInnerney, Ronnie Troxler, Gay DeNike, Ralf Peucker, Maclin Roby, Muriel Sandifer, Joan Steward, Robert Teale, John Campbell, Pat Frazier, Lou Ann Leighton, Daniel Lyons, David Mann, Catherine Reinhart, Priscilla Ridge, Patricia Wheeler, Marilyn Archer, Betty Fox.

Also Anita Haferman, Joan Haney, Joyce Darby, Peggy Davis, Shirley Robbins, Bertha Ann Shapley, Patricia Beall, Genevieve Coe, Virginia Keller (Post Graduate), Don Markle, Agnes Minick, Paul Scully, Regina Thomas, Janice Ann Lovre, Robert Merrick, Sue Patton, Betty Hicks, Joyce King, Anita Payne, and Betty Casper.

## Blairites to Present Radio Broadcasts

Eight Blairites have been chosen to present a series of radio broadcasts on behalf of the Department of Agriculture.

Sponsored by the Isaac Walton League, Harry Ingram, Percy Goody, Jimmie Baliles, Bernie Cochran, Shirley Smith, Eddie Argerake, Phyllis Harrison, and Rick Waters have been presenting six weekly broadcasts under the general heading, "Bill Scott, Forrest Ranger."

The broadcasts, which stress the importance of forest conservation, were awarded to this group in recognition of their previous accomplishments in the field of radio. The programs are directed by Mrs. J. B. Green, a former Blair teacher. "Bill Scott" is heard on Sundays at 12:15 over WBCC.

## 'Chris Bean' Uses Real Properties

The Late Christopher Bean by Sidney Howard was presented by the Senior Class on Friday, May 27, as their annual play.

Under the direction of Miss Marian L. Schwartz, the cast of the three-act comedy included David Feldman as Dr. Haggett; Mrs. Haggett, Joan Evans; Susan Haggett, Priscilla Ridge; Abbey, Joyce King; Ada Haggett, Betty Smythe; Warren Cramer, George Candish; Tallant, Keith Donnellan; Rosen, Danny Lyons; Davenport, Don Markle.

A producer once said that the more realistic a play can be made the better. The property managers seemed to agree because Dr. Haggett was eating real cereal and drinking real milk. He used a real telephone, although it was not connected, and doorbell that rang.

Acknowledgements go to the scenery construction crew, scenery painters, stage crew, property managers, wardrobe, make-up and ticket committee, house committee, understudies and prompter, stage manager and assistant, and the commercial department for the programs.

The paintings were done by members of Mrs. Fay Sherry's art classes. Abbey's portrait was done by Betty McInnerney.

## Two Blair Girls Win Scholarships

Scholarships were awarded recently to two senior girls, Priscilla Ridge and Patricia Cochran.

Priscilla received a \$350 a year, Mary Graydon scholarship to American University, rewarded annually to one student at Blair. While there she will study under Mr. William Calfee, an American mural artist just returned from Haiti.

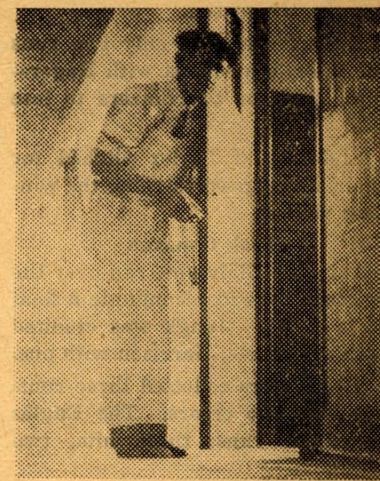
Patricia Cochran received a \$200 scholarship for use in attendance at any college of her choice as a result of an examination and interview given by the Montgomery County Education Association, the one stipulation being that she prepare for teaching. Pat has chosen Towson State Teachers' College.

Priscilla Ridge was also runner-up in the National Society of Arts and Letters contest. A collection of her work submitted earlier earned for her an honorable mention.

### Eight Join Honor Society

Mary Lasher, Nick Lee, Charles Brailer, Joan Dodson, Joyce Duvall, Genny Coe, Lee Ketzal and Betty Collier were received into the Honor Society, Wednesday, June 1, in the library.

## Mr. Davis Has New Job



Mr. Davis

Mr. Walter Davis, chief custodian at Blair for the past three years, is now working at the Rockville Cabinet Shop.

There he will be making furniture and other articles of wood.

"Yes, I like the work very much," said Mr. Davis. "I've been at it for forty-two years."

"As for Blair," he continued, "I think it has as nice students and faculty as any school in Montgomery County. It's changed a lot since I've come, and it's getting bigger and better all the time."

He mentioned the Band and Majorette Corps as one of his special likes.

"I enjoy going through the art department, too. The paintings around the walls are really wonderful."

Mr. Davis is well known to Blair student body and faculty for his ability to meet any situation, from replacing burned-out light bulbs, to turning up the heat on chilly mornings.

In his honor, a tree has been planted in the front of the school.

## Last Dance of Year To Be Held June

The last dance of the year, the Farewell Dance, will be held June 21, from 9 till 12 in the Blair gym.

Music "for dreaming" will be supplied by the *Alaskan's Orchestra*, and all students, alumni and teachers are invited to be present.

Admission is only \$1.20 per couple and this is the last time until the beginning of a new school year that the entire student body will have a chance to be together. Girls will be wearing their dreamiest dresses and the fellows, their neatest suits and ties.

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## Blazer Diamond Season Ended

Blair downed Gonzaga and St. Johns, only to lose to Hagerstown, Georgetown, and Bethesda to round out the '49 season.

Simons made the only two runs for Blair in a contest with Hagerstown only for the Blazers to lose 6-2.

Clifford and Taylor pitched for Blair, Hollingsworth being the winning pitcher.

### Took Gonzaga

Then the Blair nine ran over the Gonzaga boys to accumulate a final score of 3-0. Jungk was credited with two tallies, Harrison with one.

The Blazers collected three runs, five hits, two errors. The Eagles forced no runs, three hits, two errors.

### Edge Out Johnnies

The Blair nine was host to St. John's "Johnnies" in Blair Park, defeating the visitors 8-7.

Blair's Walt Chamblin smacked a homerun in the third with nobody on base.

Taylor and North hurled 2 1/3 and 4 2/3 respectively.

Full game statistics were Blair eight hits, eight runs, thirteen errors. The "Johnnies" managed seven runs, eight hits, three errors.

### G. Prep Close

Again host was Montgomery Blair to Georgetown Prep, handing the Prepsters a 5-4 scorecard. Tallies for the Blazers were by Theofield, Linton, Bankard, and Jungk with two.

Scoring for the Prep boys was Vlahos, Claxton, Brown and Day.

The game ended with five runs, ten hits, five errors for the Blazers;

four runs, six hits, and three errors for the losers.

### Lose Last to Barons

The Blair boys traveled to B. C. C. for their last contest of the season, conceding to the Barons, 2-1, John Kennedy making the only complete trip across the platter. Spain and Buell scored for B. C. C. Shoemaker was the winning pitcher, Harrison, the loser.

Ricky Harrison, although a pitcher, has the highest batting average of .500, for the '48-'49 season.

Boys getting letters for baseball are Ford, Kennedy, Richards, Simons, Chamblin, Theofield, Williams and Jungk. Harrison, North, Clifford, and Mason get pitching letters.

## Netmen End Year With 5-4 Loss

Blair's netmen finished their season by dropping a close decision to Gonzaga at Jesup Blair, 5-4.

This was the rubber contest between the two well matched teams; Gonzaga took the first match, 5 1/2-3 1/2, and the Blazers took the second, 5-4.

The Blairites faced tough opposition all season, taking on all comers, and their record is more than acceptable. Other scores of the season included: Georgetown Prep 8, Blair 1; Sidwell Friends 9, Blair 0; and Blair 6, Western 1.

Coach Ernie Rhodes looks for a more successful season next year, as most of this year's men will return, having more experience.

## Diedrich to Head Cheerleader Squad

Bill Diedrich has been chosen captain of the cheerleading squad for the coming year, the first time in Blair's history that a boy has been elected head of this organization.

A new policy is being initiated by this group. The election of new cheerleaders for next year's squad take place at the closing of school term, except one

senior spot and one boy's position.

Homeroom representatives chose six out of approximately fifty girls for the coveted positions of cheerleaders last Tuesday. Three sophomores and three juniors were chosen.

The girls were Pansy Hirst, Charlene Kreh, Sue Hall, sophomores; Shirley Graham, Eleanor Wood, and Evelyn Bean, juniors.

by Ralph E. Dewhirst, Jr.

### Shorts in Sports

## All Sports Ended; Many to Get Letters

Blair's diamonders ended their season May 20, with six wins-six losses, which isn't bad at all considering past teams. The last game was a hard-fought battle between the Blazers and the Barons, which ended in a score of 2-1 for the Bethesda nine.

Blair's batting list for the '49 season was headed by Ricky Harrison with an average of .500. He was closely followed by Vic Jungk, who smacked that horsehide sphere for an average of .360. (Pretty good huh?)

Mr. Kulakowski and the managers (Bill Diedrich and George Tols) have done a swell job in handling the team this year; they deserve a lot of credit.

The boys you see in the "Red Pajamas" on the field almost every night are Blair's track team. They have worked hard this year and to show for their work they have another trophy in the glass case for the County Championship. They took third place in the Class A Division of the Maryland State Meet, and best of all, they smashed the Barons' cindermen 63-60 1/2.

Since the tennis team is still in its infancy at Blair, they did fairly well considering that the team was made up of new boys this year and

that Mr. Ernest Rhodes, their coach, was having quite a time securing matches for the netmen. Another pressing factor is that Blair does not have tennis courts. If we did, there is a possibility that there would have been a few more contests. As it was there were only six, two won, four lost by Blair. Ronnie Morris was the most outstanding racquetman of the season with Bill Solomon running a close second.

The linkmen have had a most successful season under the careful coaching of Mr. Tom Pyles, although they did lose their opportunity for the Metropolitan Golf Tournament. Chuck James was in a tight spot on the nineteenth hole. He was out-stroked by Georgetown Prep's Furey.

Blair's low scorer for the golf season was Bob Wolfe and Lloyd Kelly is next in line for praise.

The golf team has won 8 out of 12 matches—Very good for an up-and-coming team.

Blair sports are over for the '48-'49 season. In all, the players, coaches, managers, etc., have helped to make a name for Blair. We are all indebted to the boys on the teams.

Yours Truly until next year, "Buddy."

## Blazers Gain Track Crown

During the track season, which ended with the Fort Hill meet, the Blair Blazers acquired the County championship.

Blair nosed out the Bethesda Barons 63-60 1/2 in the first County meet, which was held at Bethesda on May 11, as Rockville tallied 10 points to take third.

Following the County meet, came the Woodrow Wilson Metropolitan Track Meet at Wilson High on May 13-14 in which the Blazers went scoreless.

Also at Wilson, in a dual meet, Blair lost to Calvin Coolidge by a score of 81 1/2-51 1/2.

### Third in State Meet

With a score of 25 points the Blazers took third place in the Class A division of the Maryland State meet at Dundalk High School on May 21.

Fort Hill High School of Cumberland, collected 59 points to take first place while Hagerstown, the runner-up, scored 31 points.

Blair showed the most strength in the half-mile run as Bob Nesbitt took second and Joe Swafford took third. Harry Ingram captured second place in the running hop, skip, and jump, losing to John Tucker of Fort Hill. In other field events, Bob Teale gained a third place in the high jump, and Bob Jones won fourth in the broad jump.

### Two Relay Games Place

The Blazers placed in both the relays held, taking second in the 440-yard relay and third in the mile event. Kevin Conroy, Harry Ingram, Joe Frankeberger, and Bob Jones composed the 440 team while Jerry Swinnerton, Bob Teale, Tom Van Vranken, and Joe Frankeberger carried the baton in the mile relay. John Brookbank scored a third place finish in the 220-yard dash.

In the last track event of the year for the Red and White team, they lost to Fort Hill on the victors track. The score of the May 27 meet was 107 1/2-86 1/2.

Blair was unable to capture a first place in any event; however, Tucker Morris, Bob Nesbitt, and Bob Jones took seconds in the discus, half-mile, and broad jump, respectively.

### Sports in Shorts

by Marie Kramer

## Baker and Lippy, Excellent Coaches

With the playing of the student-faculty game Friday, the girls' varsity sports program closed for the remainder of the year.

Under the excellent coaching of Miss Baker and Miss Lippy, new sophomore team members displayed the athletic ability and keen sense of good sportsmanship which is a typical Blair tradition.

Although the Blazerettes have lost quite a few tough games during the year, they played very hard, and took their defeats nobly. They worked together, had fun together, and showed their loyalty to Blair together; that is why the girls' varsity teams should receive plenty of credit.

Incidentally, we would like to wish the best of luck to the Senior Blazerettes who have contributed so much to girls' athletics. We will miss your familiar faces around school.

I am positive, however, that the remaining sophomores and juniors will use you as good examples.

## Faculty Nine Is Beaten by Boys

"Rapid" Reno Continetti suffered his first loss of the season, to the varsity, in the annual varsity-faculty farce recently.

It was a pitching duel, 12-8, and a heartbreaker for Reno to lose. Except for a few pitches which soared twenty feet over catcher Creme's head, his control was perfect.

Pop flies fell everywhere for three base hits, but the game also featured several solid knocks by faculty members. The errors were countless. "Demon" Daryl Shaw played perfectly at the initial sack and got every close decision at that base from Ump Bill Schief.

Kennedy and Harrison provided the battery for the varsity, alternating on the mound and behind the plate.

The climax of the afternoon was reached when "Gil Dodds" Meserole was sent in to catch. Plate umpire Wopten was actually unable to see the pitches, and moved to the mound to call them.

Playing for the "Old Men" were Messrs. Shaw, Continetti, Creme, Meserole, Kulakowski, Bell, Walker, Horn, K. Rhodes, Downs (Student teacher), Oass, and Maguire.

The female half of the faculty also took a softball game away from the Blazerettes after coming from behind in the fourth inning.

The faculty, led by heavy hitters Lucille (Speed) Appleby, Bernice (Slug'em) Mallack, and June (Fireball) Lippy, knocked across 23 runs to defeat the disillusioned Blazerettes by a final score of 23-6.

Mrs. Mallack led the faculty with two well-timed homeruns, driving in four team mates during the game.

Charlene Bockett, pitching for the Varsity team, was overcome by the barrage of hits the faculty mustered.

Battery for the faculty were June (Fireball) Lippy, and Emily (Hopalong) Holloway.

## Golf Season Ends With 8 Won, 4 Lost

By losing to Georgetown Prep on May 31, Blair's linksters lost their last chance at the Metropolitan Golf Tournament Championship, which was won that day by Georgetown.

Had they defeated the Prep boys, the Blazers would have been part of a three-way tie for first place. Georgetown and Bethesda, last year's champions, were the other two challengers. Since Bethesda had just recently fallen beneath the clubs of Georgetown, the Prep linkmen were the only undefeated team in the tourney, and if Bob Wolfe and Company had toppled them from the ranks of the undefeated, a triangular tug of war would have had to be waged.

### Gonzaga and Gotterdamerung

In a regular Gotterdamerung (Twilight of the Gods) show last Friday, Gonzaga crushed the Blazers 7-2, for their fourth defeat of the season.

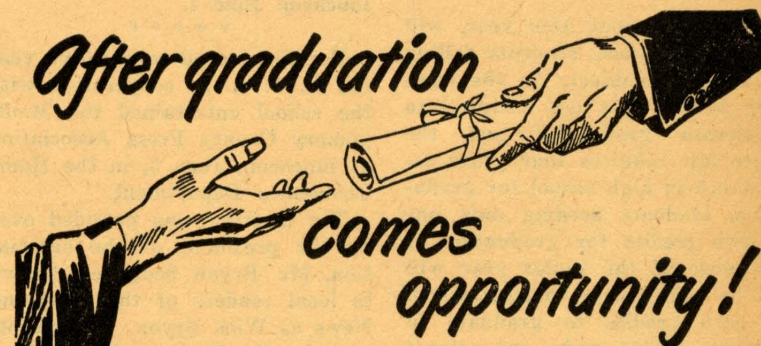
It is unfortunate that the link season ended in such an anti-climax, a great contrast to the promising early matches. Blair won its first six matches on the greens, hit snags in Bethesda and Coolidge (7-2), recovered and whipped Western 9-0 at Woodmoor on May 27.

## Future Students Visit Blair, June 1

On the first day of June a crowd of bewildered and excited youngsters descended on these hallowed halls of Blair.

Silver Spring Intermediate and Takoma Park and Montgomery Hills junior highs were the guests of Blair for the entire day.

From 9:30 to 12:00 the junior high students were permitted to attend the different classrooms and departments. After lunch in the cafeteria, softball and baseball games were staged in the stadium, where S. S. I. emerged victorious.



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